

Grace Church of Napa Valley

Memo of Understanding concerning *Right Now Media*

Dear Members and Friends of GCNV,

The elders and staff of GCNV are pleased to offer access, free of charge, to RNM through the church's account. In offering this service to you, the members, and friends, of GCNV, we are neither promoting, nor taking a stand against, any particular content available on the service. The viewpoints expressed on RNM are those of the people who produce the media content, and not those of GCNV, its pastors, staff, or members.

RNM has a great wealth of content available. In offering this content, they make available content to stream that appeals to Christians of many diverse backgrounds. Sometimes, the viewpoints expressed are not always fully congruent with those of our church as expressed in our church constitution, our statement of faith, and in various other official documents. Accordingly, members and friends using the services of RNM are encouraged to exercise biblical wisdom and discernment when selecting content to view, just as one would do when selecting what to view on any other platform, streaming service, television station, website, or at a movie theatre, among other options.

In the event that you come across content that is particularly in opposition to our own statement of faith, et al, members and friends of GCNV are encouraged to report that content to one, or more, of the pastors/elders of GCNV, who will take the responsibility to determine whether or not it should be blocked from our church account. The pastors/elders may or may not determine to block the content, but you may always inquire about our decisions, one way or the other.

In addition, RNM regularly sends emails to all those who make use of the service to inform viewers about new content, or to promote content they believe is valuable. Be aware that you may receive emails promoting content which contradicts our church's statement of faith. We ask that you treat all such emails as you would those from any other media source, and that you exercise biblical discernment about whether you will view the content advertised or not. If you have questions about the content on RNM, please contact any pastor/elder, deacon, life group leader, or a mature Christian friend, for their guidance in making choices for your own viewing, or for your family's viewing.

Lastly, we will provide information periodically about quality, recommended programming on RNM to help guide you to using the RNM service. The pastors/elders will have pre-approved all of these programs as worthwhile content for your personal spiritual growth.

We hope that this memo will give you the baseline information you may need to exercise your own discernment before the Lord, so that we all make choices which are in keeping with the spirit of Colossians 1:9-10, which states...

And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.

Like the Apostle Paul, who wrote to the church of Colossae, we, as your pastors, seek the Lord in prayer that you will be filled with the Spirit, and guided by the Word He has inspired, filled with His power and discernment, to make wise choices for you and your family, so you may bear much fruit for the Glory of God and for the joy of our assembly, as we seek to reach people for Christ! May the resources on RNM encourage you to walk humbly with the Lord and equip you for every good deed.

With our sincere devotion,

Aaron, Brad, Don, John, Oscar, & Steve
The Pastors/Elders of GCNV