



June 28, 2020

Dear 3BC church family,

There is much joy and anticipation in welcoming your brother and fellow pastor Adam Lickey, and the Lickey family, to our church family here in Three Way, Tn. A large part of our joy is due to the fact that you have been faithful to invest your hearts and resources into his family and ministry with you. He and Leslie have spoken very highly of you. They come to us with great examples and experience of gospel centered ministry. We are so grateful to you for that. It has been very evident that their decision to leave 3BC and come serve Northbrook Church has been one of the most difficult decisions they have made in life so far. They love you deeply. That's one of the main things that makes a great pastor. And because of you, Adam seems ready and able to take on the role of our lead pastor.

As you may know, Adam is following me, Chuck Maxwell, as lead pastor at Northbrook. My family helped plant this church in 1993. I was privileged to watch God's work in Adam's heart and life as he cut his teeth in ministry while a Union University student. Since that time, not only have I been confident Adam is doing what he is called and designed to do, I have hoped he could serve our church again. Adam does not have big shoes to fill but he has a small but healthy church to serve and help grow. And personally, I am confident that Adam is not only more than capable, but he is called to lead our church in the coming season. (But I will not be able to call him Dr. Lickey!)

We ask you to pray for the whole Lickey family in these days of transition. Biblical community is stronger and thicker than blood family. That's why is it so difficult for them to leave you. But it is also why there is so much joy in sending them to another part of the Lord's family. Both 3BC and Northbrook are filled with the same Spirit, and have the same head, our Lord Jesus.

We know there will be transition for you as well, and for the student ministry Adam has served for the last 9 years. We pray God raises up a new pastor who will come alongside you there and build on the work Adam and Leslie have done.

Thanks you again so much for your work for the gospel in Murfreesboro and to the ends of the earth. May our Lord continue to bring about fruit from your work for His glory.
"I pray that your partnership with us in the faith may be effective in deepening your understanding of every good thing we share for the sake of Christ." Philemon 6

In love,
the Northbrook Church family