

More details about yesterday's announcement

Acts 29 Family,

This is a short update following the video announcement sent yesterday, where I shared with you the Board's decision to transition Steve Timmis out of the role of CEO of Acts 29.

Decisions like these are always challenging, and the Board's decision was the result of much prayer. Organizations as large as Acts 29 usually do not share details about these kinds of employment decisions. There are several reasons for this, including legal ramifications and the desire to keep the Acts 29 family focused on our mission without unnecessary distraction. Perhaps most importantly, this is also because employment decisions involve real people with whom we have labored beside in the cause of the Gospel, love deeply, for whom we continue to pray. My desire was for the video released yesterday to strike a balance of announcing this significant transition while also calling the Acts 29 family to trust the decisions of the Godly men who make up the Board and to remain focused on the mission of being a global church-planting family.

Unfortunately, the leadership issues surrounding Steve Timmis have garnered media attention, demanding that we share more specific details about the decision to transition Steve out of the CEO role. Today, leaders of Acts 29 were contacted by members of the media regarding accusations brought to them concerning Steve's leadership. The Board provided the following statement in response:

"Thank you so much for reaching out. We're grateful for the opportunity to respond. A little over two weeks ago, the Board of Acts 29 was made aware of some accusations of abusive leadership against our CEO Steve Timmis. The Board launched an investigation of these claims and found evidence that he should be transitioned out of the CEO role immediately. Where there needs to be reconciliation, we are prayerful and committed to seeking it."

You may have questions about specific details, and while we understand that, we also want to call you to trust—first and foremost—our Lord, who is sovereign and reigns in this matter. I also ask you to trust the leadership of the Board of Acts 29, who remains firmly committed to healthy leadership and to doing everything they can to further the Acts 29 mission. Please continue to pray for Acts 29, for Steve Timmis, and that we would all listen to the voice of our Lord, who still calls us today to "...lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest." John 4:35

Christ is All,

Matt Chandler  
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