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Dear IHOPKC staff,

Members of the Board of Trustees met on June 26th to review and determine the strategic direction of IHOPKC. Allow us to begin this letter with a clear message: **IHOPKC is not shutting down.**

We are committed to sustaining a vibrant spiritual community of believers wholeheartedly in love with Jesus, and are persevering in a more focused scope because **the need for 24/7 prayer** in Kansas City, America, and the nations **has never been greater**. Intercession for Israel, revival in the church, and the Great Commission must continue with urgency. We believe this is **STILL** a high and noble calling to give one's life to - **Jesus is worthy of unceasing prayer and adoration!**

*Just as Jesus said of Mary: "One thing is needed."*

We cannot adequately express our gratitude to those who have served and continue to serve as part of IHOPKC, and those who continue to financially partner with the Prayer Room. Your unwavering support of our mission of continuing 24/7 prayer here and sharing it worldwide through webstream is deeply felt.

So, where are we today?

In April we announced that, after much prayer and deliberation, we would wind down many of IHOPKC's ministry and training expressions, including IHOPU, Forerunner Church, CEC, and Internships, a process which concluded May 24th. Since that time, our focus as a ministry has been the 24/7 Prayer Room and intercession for Israel.

During the process of planning and carrying out these changes, incorrect statements were made about IHOPKC's future and reasons for shutting down various ministry expressions. As we said earlier, IHOPKC is not shutting down.

#### The Prayer Room

Another source of confusion has been the process of evaluating whether to move the governance of the Prayer Room under a church structure, and if it should be relocated to our Grandview Plaza facility, which caused confusion for many.

It is the decision of the Board of Trustees that the Prayer Room will remain independent of any external church and continue to be the heart of IHOPKC. Further, the Prayer Room will remain in its present location at Red Bridge Center.

**Our leadership is fully committed to the immediate task of improving and strengthening the Prayer Room.** It is presently our sole and unwavering priority to ensure this ministry is expressed through corporate gatherings of worship and prayer, training and discipleship. We realize that the long term health and wellbeing of the prayer room requires a formal governance structure for oversight, accountability and spiritual strength. We are exploring the best fit moving forward and are committed to ensuring systems are in place for solid decision making and responsible leadership.

#### Sanctuary Church

As many of you are aware, it had recently been reported that Isaac Bennett planned to form a new church called Sanctuary in collaboration with IHOPKC. We have been informed that those plans will not be moving forward. Despite the short-term disappointment, we are excited to see how the Lord will lead Isaac and Morgan, and bless any future ministry the Lord has for them.

#### Hearing from you

Your thoughts and ideas are important to us, we welcome and value them, and want to hear from you. If you have input or concerns, please contact Joseph Taylor (Executive Director) or Kurt Fuller (Chairman of the Board).

Finally, we believe God is not done with IHOPKC. We intend to honor the Lord Jesus Christ in every way and in every decision because there is no other way. We intend to serve and support those who have been called as Intercessory Missionaries and the ones God will call in the days ahead.

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May the fire on the altar never go out.

The Board of Trustees of IHOPKC

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