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786-888-HOPE trinitychurch.tv Dear Trinity Family, December 17, 2023

I write to you with a heart full of gratitude as I reflect on the past 25 years leading our incredible community. Your faithful support, both in service and generosity, has been the bedrock upon which we've built Trinity into a beacon of faith in this great city.

Looking into the future, I have great expectations for what God has in store for us. Today, I dwell not on the past but embrace the future.

On November 26th, I shared the news that I'd been diagnosed with Myelofibrosis, a form of bone marrow cancer. Yet, my spirit remains unshaken, and I've never felt stronger in my faith or more committed to the work God has set before us.

I am not resigning, and I am not retiring. Instead, I am stepping into a season of healing, believing in God's promise of complete recovery. Starting in January, I will be on a medical sabbatical, undergoing treatment, including chemotherapy and a stem-cell transplant.

Upon sharing this news, we also announced an exciting partnership with Vous Church. Vous will acquire our Miami Gardens campus, allowing us to focus on renovating our original debt-free location at 125th Street. This isn't a merging of churches; it's a strategic alignment to reach the next generation and ensure Jesus's continued work in Miami Gardens.

As we navigate this season of transition, it's pivotal that each and every one of us stays connected to Jesus and the local church.

I want to ensure no one falls through the cracks during this collective moment.

For some of us, the upcoming year might involve joining Vous Church and fully engaging in that community. If that's your path, we celebrate your decision as you prayerfully commit yourself to the local church.

For the rest of our church family, the upcoming nine months will bring a different ministry experience as we pause to embrace a season of healing, gearing up for what lies ahead. I urge you to stay engaged in the ministries of our Trinity Church family during this time. While live Sunday services won't be hosted, we will:

- 1. Stay connected through Groups
- 2. Worship with Trinity Online Services
- 3. Participate in Weekly Prayer
- 4. Give at TrinityChurch.tv or scan the QR code →
- 5. Attend our Church in-person Gatherings.
  Which will be scheduled on a month by month basis.

Regardless of the path each of us takes, let's ensure we remain united and supportive of one another through this unique journey.

In closing, I ask for your continued generous support and prayers. We are stepping forward in faith, trusting in God's plan, and anticipating a future filled with His grace and purpose. Together, we will continue to impact our city and beyond.

The best is yet to come! With love and gratitude,



Pastor Rich