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Dear SPEP Church Family,

As many of you are now aware, a member of our congregation, Mr. Michael McNeil, has created a public website parallel to our church's website (spepchurch.com instead of our spepchurch.org), on which he comments about SPEP, his family and the civil courts. Some of you have also been included in a wide broadcast of email from Mr. McNeil.

Some context will help you understand what is happening. The Session has walked with the McNeils since they joined SPEP several years ago. Various elders, pastors and ministry staff, and a peacemaking team have been involved. As noted on his website, the couple is now living apart and in the midst of civil litigation. Mr. McNeil objects to the teachings and the direction he has received from SPEP (though we do not agree with how he has represented them). His objections are receiving appropriate review by the Session and our Presbytery.

SPEP longs to be a place of healing. We deeply desire to see healing within this family. Please pray for God's grace and peace upon all involved.

If you need to discuss any concerns about this situation, please speak to one of your pastors or elders.

In Christ,

The Session of Severna Park Evangelical Presbyterian Church

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