



## Looking Ahead With Confidence

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Dear TC Family,

As our Board and Search Committee began the process of seeking the next Head of School for Turlock Christian, we committed ourselves to prayer. We asked God to lead us to a servant-hearted leader who would not only bring experience, wisdom, and vision, but who would also recognize and embrace the unique culture, mission, and community that make Turlock Christian so special.

Over the past year, I have had the incredible privilege of having a front-row seat to all that God is doing at TC. Time and again, He has proven Himself faithful. We have watched Him provide, guide, strengthen, and bless our school community in ways both big and small. My heart is humbled as I reflect on His goodness, and my voice can only offer praise to Him for all He has done and continues to do.

One verse that has continually come to mind throughout this process is [Nehemiah 2:18](#):

***"I also told them about the gracious hand of my God on me."***

Like Nehemiah, we have seen God's gracious hand at work, directing our steps and faithfully leading us forward.

Matt shared the following reflection of his visit to campus last week:

*"My time on campus this week was everything I hoped it would be. Sitting down one-on-one with members of the administration gave me a front-row seat to the people and the culture that make Turlock Christian what it is, and I left with a deep sense of gratitude and excitement for what lies ahead. I even had the chance to drive to Fresno to watch the baseball team compete against Roosevelt High. Meeting parents in the stands and watching those young men play with everything they had was a special opportunity. It was a heartbreaking finish, but they represented TC with a lot of character, and I was proud to be there cheering them on. I cannot wait to officially join this community."*

Current Head of School Kathy Sharp has also enjoyed getting to know Matt throughout this transition and shared these thoughts:

*"It has been a pleasure to get to know Matt. He is a very kind man who truly has a heart for Jesus. He loves Christian education and desires to serve our staff, students, and families. I believe Matt will be a great leader for TC."*

As Board Chair, I have been deeply encouraged by the mutual respect, shared mission, and Christ-centered commitment reflected in these conversations. Matt's excitement about joining Turlock Christian and Kathy's confidence in his leadership affirm what we faithfully prayed for throughout this process, a transition rooted in faith, guided by God's hand, and grounded in a deep love for Christian education.

We are profoundly grateful for Kathy's faithful leadership, excited to welcome Matt (and his family) to the Turlock Christian family, and thankful for the many ways God continues to guide and provide for our school. The foundation at Turlock Christian is strong because it has been built through God's faithfulness and the dedication of so many who have answered His call to serve.

As we look ahead, we do so with confidence, not because of any one person, but because of the God who has faithfully led us every step of the way. Together, we will continue the mission of developing students in both soul and mind, preparing them to impact the world for Christ and His Kingdom.

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