



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

RESOLUTION OF THANKSGIVING

Granting Elder Emeritus Status

to

John Gabrenas, Jr.

Adopted by the Session

June 22, 2026

Emeritus status is reserved for elders who have demonstrated long-term faithfulness, spiritual maturity, and exemplary service to Christ and His church. An Elder Emeritus is regarded as a respected statesman of the church—a man whose wisdom is valued, whose counsel is sought, and whose example continues to encourage God’s people. To be granted emeritus status is to recognize that a season of ministry has borne lasting fruit in the life of the church.

As we recognize and honor John Gabrenas upon his transition to Elder Emeritus, we give thanks to God for the faithful service he has rendered to Christ and His church. Over many years, John has consistently displayed the character and calling of a godly elder. He is a man devoted to prayer, seeking the Lord’s wisdom, guidance, and enabling grace not only for himself, but also for those entrusted to his care.

John has shepherded God’s people with tenderness, faithfulness, and genuine concern, reflecting the heart of the Chief Shepherd. He has demonstrated a sincere desire to do what God requires, pursuing obedience not merely from a sense of duty, but from a deep love for Christ and His kingdom.

Beyond his service as an elder, John has been a model of Christian character. In his love for Judy, his wife of nearly sixty years, he modeled Christ’s sacrificial love for His bride, the church. John treasures God’s Word, delights in sharing its truth, and has encouraged countless men to grow in their knowledge of and affection for the Lord. Above all, he loves people well. His kindness, humility, and steadfast faith have left an enduring imprint on this congregation.

The Session of Westminster Presbyterian Church gives thanks to God for John Gabrenas and commends him with gratitude, affection, and deep respect. We rejoice in the Lord’s work through him and pray that God will continue to bless him and use him for His glory in the years ahead.

Rev. Dr. Michael W. Honeycutt
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