



Dear WIC Family,

During Lent this year, the Lord impressed on my heart that I would be entering a new season and that I wasn't meant to go looking for it. He also spoke to me about my family and a few other things.

So, when Andy shared with me, that he felt called to WWS, my first thought was, "I get it now". It was also really clear to me from the first conversation that God was calling me to the City again.

While my heart is for both City and Ryde, my growing sense of call is that my next season is to be the Lead Pastor Role in the City. And while I won't be the lead pastor at Ryde, I will still preach and be involved at Ryde.

I love what God is doing in Ryde. The team is strong and we have a solid core. There is a lot of momentum right now and a new building on the horizon. We are also making an impact in our neighbourhood. Ryde is in a good place and I'm confident that God is preparing the right leader to take Ryde forward.

I'm also excited for what God is doing in the City. I see the huge opportunities that are opening up through playgroup and partnerships in the city. God is doing a new thing!

The WIC Council has been tremendous throughout this process over the last three months. We have had many extra meetings and many late nights. We have prayed through this together and sought God's heart together and I'm truly grateful. The plan that the council has discerned will empower the City to grow its impact and has flexibility for the opportunities on the horizon. The plan also provides for a family pastor at Ryde, which has been a long felt need. Our council has really put in the time and effort so that we can see WIC flourish.

This is a seismic shift for our church. We expect you to have a lot of questions and a lot of emotions and we want to walk with you through all of it. Please reach out if you have questions, concerns, or hopes and dreams you want to share with me. I want you to know that I'm available.

Elisa and I can see God's hand in all of this. He has a plan and His plans are good. We would really appreciate your prayers over the next few months as our family makes this transition.

Richest Blessings,

Ps Cory

Lead Pastor, WIC Ryde



Dear WIC family,

Melissa and I want to share with you that we feel a strong calling from God to step out in faith and lead the Wesley Western Sydney church plant next year.

We have shared this with the elders who have affirmed and been supportive of this call. Together we believe that this is part of the fulfilment of the WIC vision of “Transformed Lives Transforming Cities”. It is also part of the fulfilment of the Wesley Mission vision of “A Spirit-led disciple making movement planting” churches and missional communities across NSW.

In order for me to step into this call to lead Wesley Western Sydney, I will need to step out of my current role as Senior Pastor of WIC. As a result, our elders have had many extra meetings to pray and discern the best possible structure to fulfill WIC’s vision and needs, and to prepare a road map for these changes. As these changes unfold over the next 6+ months I will still be in this role to help with the transitions until Mid 2025 so that WIC will be in the healthiest place possible to flourish.

Obviously this is a significant change for the church family (and for our family) so we’re asking us as a whole family to be praying, supporting, helping so that we can step into what God has in store for WIC and for Sydney.

We believe that this is a God-ordained new season for our entire church family and that God is going to do significant and powerful things amongst us and through us through these changes. At the same time we know these are significant and difficult changes to process.

If you would appreciate prayer, or to talk to someone about this, our pastoral team and elders are here to meet with you and support you as we enter into this transition together.

Our family love WIC and always will, and so we ask that we join in prayer and in faith with our eyes on Jesus as we step into a new season (Heb 12:1-2).

In His Love,

Ps Andy

Senior Pastor, Wesley International Congregation