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Mrs. Colleen Greer
 Code Enforcement Clerk
 100 North U. S. 1
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3794 Oleander Ave
 Case # ~~17-0897~~
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Dear Mrs. Greer:

This letter is in response to your letter of August 18, 2017.

First, we would like to contest the fine amount. We understood that the \$100 per day fine was to be assessed for the days the building was being used as a meeting place for the church. That would be Sunday and Wednesday. The balance of the week it continues to be used as a print shop as it has for the past 11 years.

Secondly, we do contest the finding of non-compliance as being inconsistent with the history of the use of the building since we purchased it in 2006. From the beginning, we have held vocational classes in the same area now used as our church meeting room.


Thirdly, we would ask that the church be granted a special period of grace to complete the required changes should they continue to be required, and here is why:

1. For over 50 years Faith Baptist Church has served the city of Fort Pierce and St. Lucie County.
2. Over the last five years I have personally met people from all walks of life who have been touched by the ministry of Faith Baptist Church.
3. The church for multiple reasons has gone through a very difficult time over the last several years, i.e.:
 - A. The real estate crash
 - B. The death of the pastor and founder of the church for many years
 - C. Multiple bouts with storm damage

We, as a missionary group, have been working with them to restore the ministry and have made great progress during the past five years. We have seen over \$4 million dollars of debt eliminated through the sale of equipment and land and the sacrificial giving of the remaining few people.

In short, Faith Baptist Church has been good to Fort Pierce and we now need your help. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

In His Service,


 Dr. Ron Hodge, Interim Missionary Pastor
 Philemon verse six

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