

Tables Turn on Pastor Who Booted 103-Year-Old Woman From Church for Wanting More Holiness

After 90-odd years of faithful attendance, a woman who was forced to leave her church is now returning to the building.

Rev. Tim Mattox allegedly kicked Genora Hamm Biggs out of the church after the grandmother and pastor sparred over his preaching style, the *Atlanta Journal Constitution* reports. Now, Mattox has left to form his own church, and the future of Union Grove Baptist Church is quite literally in Biggs' hands.

Her attorney tells Fox that Biggs "is elated" over the turn of events, which allows Biggs and remaining members to select a new pastor.

"I want them to come back if they want to be Baptist," Biggs tells an NBC affiliate. "I want them all back, but if they feel like they want to be Holiness then let them go with Reverend Mattox."

With Mattox leaving, the certified letter banning Biggs from attending church at Union Grove no longer holds power.

"I'm happy it's over," Biggs tells the AJC. "But I'm sorry to see our old members leave the Baptist church and go holy."