

I need to say this. It's long...but I need to say it. I hope you will finish it and understand. I love you all.

Memphis is an amazing city. It's known for blues and barbecue.
It's known for "grit and grind".

And, it's known for its contributions to the civil rights movement, its rich musical history, and a river as strong and stubborn as its people.

Amazing things happen in Memphis.

Kings are born.

Childhood cancers are cured.

And, packages can go anywhere in the world overnight.

Inside the amazing city where amazing things happen – I found WMC TV.

I found insightful storytelling, real issues, great debates and breaking news, just waiting to be covered.

I found hardworking journalists with a love and passion for the city and its people.

In fact, I found a whole building full of people who wanted to make a difference.

And, I found my one true love.

The amazing opportunity to live and work in such a wonderful place, changed my life...

I have loved every day and every minute of my time inside this amazing family.

I have lived, and laughed, and learned...and it has become a part of me.

It will always be a part of me...even as I make one of the hardest decisions of my life...

If you know me – you know I am a strong believer in God and prayer.

I have always believed I was here to serve, not only the Mid-South...but also the Lord.

During the past year, I have spent a great deal of time listening...and waiting.

And – I should say that Darrell should be made a SAINT for listening to *me* during the process.

After several months of measured thought – I have decided to leave WMC Action News 5.

December 9th will be my last day. Yes, it's a Saturday... It's actually the WMC Action News 5 Toy Drive for Porter Leath (<https://www.porterleath.org/donate-to-toy-truck>). I can't think of a better way to go out... than giving back to the city I love.

Thank you for a wonderful 16 years.

It's been amazing.

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