

**MINUTES**  
**STATED MEETING OF HOLSTON PRESBYTERY**  
**September 3, 2013**  
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**Holston Presbytery Camp, Banner Elk, North Carolina**  
**September 3, 2013**

Holston Presbytery met for its stated meeting at Holston Presbytery Camp, Banner Elk, North Carolina, at 9:03 a.m. Moderator, Elder Mary Lee Harmon, welcomed those gathered for the meeting. The meeting was opened with worship and prayer, including the celebration of the Lord's Supper. The worship leaders were: the Rev. Seong Cheol Im, the Rev. Allen Huff, and the Rev. Sharon Amstutz. An offering for Five Cents a Meal was collected in the amount of \$351.33. Craig Bell welcomed everyone on behalf of Holston Presbytery Camp. Commissioners and guests were welcomed with first time commissioners and guests recognized.

**ENROLLMENT:**

TEACHING ELDERS PRESENT/ABSENT:

| Name                    | Present | Absent |
|-------------------------|---------|--------|
| Allen, William E.       |         | X      |
| Amstutz, Sharon         | X       |        |
| Armistead, Robert L.    |         | X      |
| Askew, Catherine Clasen |         | X      |
| Austin, Richard C.      |         | X      |
| Barron, Earle           |         | X      |
| Bement, Gary            |         | X      |
| Bier, Tom               |         | X      |
| Brighton, Ike           | X       |        |
| Brown, Elmon            |         | X      |
| Burkey, Margaret        |         | X      |
| Cagle, David            | X       |        |
| Campbell, John          |         | X      |
| Cartwright, Gregory     |         | X      |
| Cave, Payne             |         | X      |
| Chapman, Alan           |         | X      |
| Christian, H. Martin    | X       |        |
| Clark, Dan              | X       |        |
| Cobb, Harrell L.        |         | X      |
| Crow, Conrad            |         | X      |
| Donaldson, Dan          | X       |        |
| Dowling, John           |         | X      |
| Durham, Clarence        |         | X      |
| Echols, Charles W.      | X       |        |
| Fifield, Richard L.     | X       |        |
| Florence, Kaye          | X       |        |
| Gandy, Joan             |         | X      |
| Gilmer, G. Barrett      |         | X      |

|                                |   |   |
|--------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Goforth, Bill S.</b>        | X |   |
| <b>Gray, James L.</b>          |   | X |
| <b>Gunn, Yale</b>              |   | X |
| <b>Hale, David L.</b>          |   | X |
| <b>Hambrick, Jr., David C.</b> |   | X |
| <b>Helphinstine, Paul</b>      | X |   |
| <b>Hopper, Barron</b>          | X |   |
| <b>Howard, Ira G.</b>          |   | X |
| <b>Huff, Allen</b>             | X |   |
| <b>Hutchison, Ralph</b>        |   | X |
| <b>Hyers-Prentice, David</b>   |   | X |
| <b>Hyers, William D.</b>       | X |   |
| <b>Im, Seong Cheol</b>         | X |   |
| <b>Imsande, Louis</b>          |   | X |
| <b>Johnson, Deven</b>          |   | X |
| <b>Jordan, Greg</b>            |   | X |
| <b>Kelly, R. Gary</b>          | X |   |
| <b>Kestner, C. Phillip</b>     |   | X |
| <b>Knisley, Mark</b>           | X |   |
| <b>Kobs, Erin</b>              |   | X |
| <b>Lancaster, Lewis</b>        |   | X |
| <b>LaPointe, Douglas</b>       | X |   |
| <b>Martin, James</b>           |   | X |
| <b>Martin, John L.</b>         |   | X |
| <b>Maxey, Dennis</b>           |   | X |
| <b>Mays, James</b>             | X |   |
| <b>Meredith, Tim W.</b>        |   | X |
| <b>Miller, David</b>           |   | X |
| <b>Moore, Diana</b>            | X |   |
| <b>Murphy, Charles</b>         | X |   |
| <b>O'Connor, Hayley</b>        |   | X |
| <b>Parsons, Gradye</b>         |   | X |
| <b>Peake, Thomas</b>           | X |   |
| <b>Phillips, J. Thomas</b>     | X |   |
| <b>Ray, Richard</b>            | X |   |
| <b>Rohr, Errol</b>             |   | X |
| <b>Rolling, George L.</b>      | X |   |
| <b>Saunders, Raymond</b>       |   | X |
| <b>Schmidt, Kyle</b>           | X |   |
| <b>Scruggs, Glenn</b>          |   | X |
| <b>Shackelford, Edgar P.</b>   |   | X |
| <b>Shaw, Angus</b>             | X |   |
| <b>Shuck, John A.</b>          | X |   |
| <b>Sims, David H.</b>          |   | X |
| <b>Smith, Shane</b>            | X |   |
| <b>Spence, Jr., Andrew E.</b>  |   | X |
| <b>Spoon, Eric</b>             | X |   |

|                       |   |   |
|-----------------------|---|---|
| Steinle, Marshall     | X |   |
| Strang, Fred Foy      |   | X |
| Sutherland, Terry     |   | X |
| Sydnor, Charles S.    |   | X |
| Taylor, Harrison      |   | X |
| Troyer, Elizabeth     | X |   |
| Turnbull, Gordon      | X |   |
| Wade, Thomas M. L.    |   | X |
| Walker, Fred          |   | X |
| Weed, Sherrolyn G.    | X |   |
| Weisz, Stephen R.     |   | X |
| Welch, David          | X |   |
| Whaley, Andrew        | X |   |
| White, Katherine      |   | X |
| White, Ray            |   | X |
| Whitesides, Davis     |   | X |
| Willard, Pat          | X |   |
| Wing, III, William T. | X |   |
| Wyatt, Brian          |   | X |
| Young, William        |   | X |

**RULING ELDER COMMISSIONERS:**

| Congregation      | Principal     | Alternate | Visitor/Other |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| Amity             |               |           |               |
| Barton Springs    |               |           |               |
| Bethany           | Helen Doty    |           |               |
| Bethel, Dandridge |               |           |               |
| Bethel, Kingsport | Bill Sade     |           |               |
| Blountville       | Brian Brinser |           |               |
| Bristol, First    |               |           |               |
| Cedar Creek       |               |           |               |
| Cedarview         | Coy Klepper   |           |               |
| Chuckey           |               |           |               |
| Clinton           |               |           |               |
| Cold Spring       | Brock Fleenor |           |               |
| Colonial Heights  |               |           |               |
| Cove Creek        |               |           |               |
| Covenant          | Sally Nagel   |           |               |

|                              |                        |              |  |
|------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|--|
| <b>Cross Anchor</b>          |                        |              |  |
| <b>Elizabethton, First</b>   | Kathy Wing             |              |  |
| <b>Erwin</b>                 | Anita Medlin           |              |  |
| <b>Grays Chapel</b>          |                        |              |  |
| <b>Greeneville, First</b>    | Mark Stokes            |              |  |
| <b>Hebron</b>                |                        |              |  |
| <b>Hopewell</b>              |                        |              |  |
| <b>Jefferson City, First</b> | Pat Patton             |              |  |
| <b>Jennie Moore</b>          |                        |              |  |
| <b>Johnson City, First</b>   | Gilbert<br>Rosenberger |              |  |
| <b>Jonesborough</b>          | Margaret<br>Childress  |              |  |
| <b>Keystone</b>              |                        |              |  |
| <b>Kingsport, First</b>      | Lee McConnell          |              |  |
| <b>Leesburg</b>              |                        |              |  |
| <b>Liberty</b>               |                        |              |  |
| <b>Magill Memorial</b>       | Erik Anderson          | Morris Brill |  |
| <b>Meadowview</b>            |                        |              |  |
| <b>Morristown, First</b>     | Sue Atkins             |              |  |
| <b>Mountain City</b>         | Ann Peake              |              |  |
| <b>Mt. Hermon</b>            |                        |              |  |
| <b>New Bethel</b>            | Denise Torbett         |              |  |
| <b>New Ebenezer</b>          |                        |              |  |
| <b>New Market</b>            |                        |              |  |
| <b>New Providence</b>        |                        |              |  |
| <b>Newport</b>               |                        |              |  |
| <b>Oakland</b>               |                        |              |  |
| <b>Old Kingsport</b>         |                        |              |  |
| <b>Philadelphia</b>          |                        |              |  |
| <b>Piney Flats</b>           |                        |              |  |
| <b>Preston Hills</b>         |                        |              |  |

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| <b>Reedy Creek, Bristol</b>   |                   |  |  |
| <b>Reedy Creek, Kingsport</b> |                   |  |  |
| <b>Rock Creek</b>             |                   |  |  |
| <b>Rogersville</b>            | Shirley Price     |  |  |
| <b>Rosemont</b>               |                   |  |  |
| <b>Salem</b>                  |                   |  |  |
| <b>Shady Valley</b>           |                   |  |  |
| <b>Shenandoah</b>             |                   |  |  |
| <b>St. Paul</b>               |                   |  |  |
| <b>Strawberry Plains</b>      | Newton Day        |  |  |
| <b>Tabernacle</b>             |                   |  |  |
| <b>The Journey</b>            |                   |  |  |
| <b>Timber Ridge</b>           | Thomas Carter     |  |  |
| <b>Tri City Korean</b>        |                   |  |  |
| <b>Valley Pike</b>            |                   |  |  |
| <b>Walkertown</b>             |                   |  |  |
| <b>Watauga Avenue</b>         | Mike Hollingshead |  |  |
| <b>Waverly Road</b>           | Bill Elderbrock   |  |  |
| <b>Weaver Union</b>           |                   |  |  |
| <b>West Ridge</b>             |                   |  |  |
| <b>Windsor Avenue</b>         |                   |  |  |
| <b>Zion</b>                   |                   |  |  |

**PRESBYTERY MODERATOR:** Mary Lee Harmon

**PRESBYTERY STAFF:** Craig Bell, Kim Fifield, Andrea Sutter

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS:** Lucretia Meece (Presbyterian Women)

**COMMISSIONED RULING ELDERS:** Gloria Baird, Cliff Dameron, Jim Foote, Jeff Morelock, Jackie Riddle

**VISITING/CORRESPONDING TEACHING ELDERS/MINISTERS:** Don Steele (Pittsburg Presbytery)

**VISITORS:** Mae Weed (Grandfather Home for Children), Hal Hunter (Covenant), Bonnie Agner (Bethany), Eric Hill, Selma Fifer, Joe Gordon, Betty Sligar (Mtn. City), Jerry Nagel (Covenant), Ruth Dameron (Erwin), Chris Vogado (Waverly Rd), Gladys Shackelford (West Ridge).

## CONSENT AGENDA

The below Consent Agenda was adopted:

- Approve enrollment
- Declaration of quorum
- Approve requests for excused absences
- Approve giving visiting ministers voice
- Approve Minutes of the June 1, 2013 Stated Meeting
- Appointment of Committee on Thanks: the Rev. Ike Brighton and Ruling Elder Brian Brinser
- Appointment of the Bills & Overture Committee: the Rev. Gordon Turnbull and Ruling Elder Mark Stokes.
- Adoption of the Docket
- Treasurer's Report

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUSINESS:** There was no new business introduced.

### Treasurer's Report General Mission Budget January – June 2013

|   | Jan - Jun<br>13   | Budget            | % of<br>Budget |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| <b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>          |                   |                   |                |
| <b>Income</b>                           |                   |                   |                |
| 60160 · Unified Mission Designated Fund | 7,725.57          | 17,088.00         | 45.21%         |
| 60500 · Unified Monies                  | 170,260.15        | 390,000.00        | 43.66%         |
| 61905 · Interest Income                 | 17,636.40         | 34,985.00         | 50.41%         |
| <b>Total Income</b>                     | <b>195,622.12</b> | <b>442,073.00</b> | <b>44.25%</b>  |
| <b>Gross Profit</b>                     | <b>195,622.12</b> | <b>442,073.00</b> | <b>44.25%</b>  |
| <b>Expense</b>                          |                   |                   |                |
| 70100 · GMB/Ministries w/Councils       | 49,772.11         | 98,426.83         | 50.57%         |
| 70200 · Committee on Ministry           | 26.50             | 1,500.00          | 1.77%          |
| 70300 · Committee Prep for Ministry     | 0.00              | 1,500.00          | 0.0%           |
| 70400 · Mission & Evangelism            | 0.00              | 4,250.00          | 0.0%           |
| 70500 · Discipleship Committee          | 62,934.77         | 139,074.62        | 45.25%         |
| 70900 · Administration & Budget         | 99,125.99         | 197,321.55        | 50.24%         |
| 71400 · Trustees                        | 22.25             |                   |                |
| <b>Total Expense</b>                    | <b>211,881.62</b> | <b>442,073.00</b> | <b>47.93%</b>  |
| <b>Net Ordinary Income</b>              | <b>-16,259.50</b> | <b>0.00</b>       | <b>100.0%</b>  |

Fund Balances as of June 30, 2013

Checking/Savings

10000 · CHECKING - CITIZENS BANK

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| 10111 · Select Monies                  | 23,415.50 |
| 10211 · Hattie Farthing Fund           | 3,965.32  |
| 10320 · Holston Seminary Student Fund  | 5,637.72  |
| 10410 · Global Mission Fund            | 1,614.36  |
| 10420 · 5 Cents-a-Meal Local           | 0.05      |
| 10421 · 5 Cents-a-Meal International   | 0.01      |
| 10531 · Youth Ministry Endowment       | 7,500.00  |
| 10630 · Presbytery Peacemaking         | 3,634.79  |
| 10640 · EIHN - Restoring Creation      | 1,425.00  |
| 10712 · Ministry - Hawkins County      | 12,750.00 |
| 10714 · Church Hill - Undesignated     | 8,250.00  |
| 10721 · TriCityKorean/KPC              | 400.00    |
| 11860 · Williams Transition Fund       | 8.82      |
| 11861 · Williams Capital Fund Interest | 11,979.21 |
| 11862 · Williams Program Fund Interest | 15,116.04 |
| 11910 · Honoraria - EP                 | 845.78    |
| 15000 · Charitable Gift Annuity        | -6,248.84 |

20000 · Citizens Bank

|                                       |                 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 20210 · Pastoral Care                 | 4,679.98        |
| 20531 · Youth Triennium               | 8.21            |
| 20710 · Church Development            | 309.46          |
| 20750 · New Church Development        | 226.75          |
| 20780 · Evangelism                    | 979.91          |
| 20911 · Equipment Reserve             | 691.14          |
| 21810 · Devries Scholarship Fund      | 37.99           |
| 21820 · Grigsby Scholarship           | 9,425.28        |
| 21830 · Braziel Scholarship           | 4,343.66        |
| 21840 · Dixon Scholarship             | 3,803.47        |
| 21881 · Ninth Street Loan Fund - Hold | <u>3,105.49</u> |

Total 20000 · Citizens Bank 27,611.34

10000 · CHECKING - CITIZENS BANK - Other 101,291.73

Total 10000 · CHECKING - CITIZENS BANK 219,196.83

30000 · PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| 30211 · Hattie Farthing Fund   | 35,714.53  |
| 30710 · Church Development     | 30,263.12  |
| 30730 · Small Church Fund      | 141,710.88 |
| 30750 · New Church Development | 69,805.38  |
| 31820 · Grigsby Scholarship    | 78,844.10  |



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| 31830 · Braziel Scholarship                  | 40,394.37                  |
| 31840 · Dixon Scholarship                    | 33,132.52                  |
| 31870 · Pattie Bushong Fund                  | 1,951.68                   |
| 31880 · Robinson Fund                        | 866.58                     |
| 31881 · Ninth Street Loan Fund               | 13,231.54                  |
| 31882 · Ninth Street Scholarship             | 54,523.98                  |
| 31883 · Tusculum College Endowment           | <u>94,159.75</u>           |
| <b>Total 30000 · PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION</b> | <u>594,598.43</u>          |
| <b>Total Checking/Savings</b>                | 813,795.26                 |
| <b>Other Current Assets</b>                  |                            |
| 40000 · The PFSA, Inc Grant-Restricted       | <u>627,000.00</u>          |
| <b>Total Other Current Assets</b>            | <u>627,000.00</u>          |
| <b>Total Current Assets</b>                  | 1,440,795.26               |
| <b>Other Assets</b>                          |                            |
| 80000 · Notes Receivable                     |                            |
| 80100 · Indian Ridge Baptist Church          | 115,500.00                 |
| 80200 · Hebron Presbyterian Church           | <u>31,691.48</u>           |
| <b>Total 80000 · Notes Receivable</b>        | <u>147,191.48</u>          |
| <b>Total Other Assets</b>                    | <u>147,191.48</u>          |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                          | <u><u>1,587,986.74</u></u> |

**STATED CLERK'S REPORT:** Rich Fifield reported.

1. Session minutes will be reviewed at the September 3, 2013 and the December 3, 2013 stated presbytery meetings. Moderators/Clerks of Session are asked to bring their Session minutes to one of these meetings for review.
2. Received the June 2, 2013 minutes of the Commission to Install the Rev. Paul Helphinstine as pastor of the Covenant Presbyterian Church. (See below.)
3. Received the June 4, 2013 minutes of the Valley Pike Church Administrative Commission. (See below.)
4. Received the June 26, 2013 minutes of the Valley Pike Church Administrative Commission. (See below.)
5. Received the July 16, 2013 minutes of the Valley Pike Church Administrative Commission. (See below.)
6. Received the August 13, 2013 minutes of the Valley Pike Church Administrative Commission. (See below.)

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION OF HOLSTON PRESBYTERY TO INSTALL THE REVEREND PAUL HELPHINSTINE AS THE PASTOR OF THE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE.

The Commission, according to the appointment of Holston Presbytery, met at the Covenant Presbyterian Church on Sunday, June 2, 2013 at 2:15 PM. Members of Commission were Teaching Elders George Rolling and Angus Shaw, Ruling Elders were Gary Arner (First Church, Johnson City) and Karen Welch (Jonesborough Church). Mrs. Welch was unable to attend.

The meeting was opened with prayer. A quorum was declared and Angus Shaw was elected Moderator/Clerk. Responsibilities and procedures for the Service of Installation were reviewed and the Commission moved to the sanctuary for the Service of Installation at 2:30 P.M. with an agreement to adjourn at the benediction.

The service of worship opened with a call to worship, the invocation and the Lord's Prayer, a Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon led by Angus Shaw. An offering was received for the Holston Presbytery Pastoral Care Fund.

The Scripture reading was from selected passage of Acts. Angus Shaw delivered the sermon "What Is Your Name?."

George Rolling put the Constitutional Questions to the Pastor who answered all in the affirmative. Sally Nagel, member of Covenant Presbyterian Church, put the Constitutional Questions to the congregation with all answered in the affirmative. The Prayer of Installation and the Declaration of Installation was led by Gary Arner. On behalf of the congregation and the Commission, Mr. Arner welcomed Mr. Helphinstine to this ministry.

The Charge to the Pastor was made by George Rolling and the Charge to the Congregation was made by Gary Arner.

The Charge and Benediction was delivered by the newly installed pastor the Reverend Paul Helphinstine. Following the benediction, members of the congregation expressed to their pastor expressions of welcome and affectionate regard followed by a time of fellowship and food in the Fellowship Hall.

Signed by the Moderator/Clerk: Angus Shaw

MINUTES OF THE VALLEY PIKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION, JUNE 4, 2013, AT VALLEY PIKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BRISTOL, TENNESSEE.

Call to Order / Opening Prayer at 2:04 PM by Rich Fifield.

Present: Bill Wing; Cheryl Rice; Charlie Murphy; Bill Goforth; Pam Pope; Kim Fifield; Rich Fifield  
The Rev. Bill Wing was elected Moderator of the Valley Pike Presbyterian Church Administrative Commission.

Ruling Elder Cheryl Rice was elected Clerk of the Valley Pike Presbyterian Church Administrative Commission.

The Commission members went on a tour of the physical facility.

A Timeline of Events (see attached) was shared with the Commission.

A Financial Report for January through May 2013 (see below) was shared with the Commission. Kimberley Fifield, Holston Presbytery Treasurer, was elected Treasurer of the Valley Pike Presbyterian Church Administrative Commission.

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Beginning Balance, January 1, 2013 ..... | \$6,250.45 |
| Income .....                             | \$3,215.00 |
| Expenses .....                           | \$5,343.11 |
| Ending Balance, May 31, 2013 .....       | \$4,122.34 |

Physical Property Issues / Concerns:

By consensus, the Commission agreed to keep the mailing address of the Valley Pike Church as the Holston Presbytery post office box.

By consensus, the Commission agreed to continue the yard maintenance agreement with Joe Price at \$40 per mowing, billed monthly to the Valley Pike Church.

By consensus, the Commission agreed to have Kim Fifield contact someone to review and provide an estimate for repairs to the plumbing system in the Valley Pike Church.

By consensus, the Commission agreed to rent the manse to the current tenants, at \$700 per month. Pam Pope will bring a draft of a proposed lease for the Commission to review at their next meeting.

Per the current manse tenants request to purchase the manse, the manse property was appraised (current market value \$134,000) and is currently being surveyed.

The Commission agreed that the key to the Valley Pick Church will be kept at the Holston Presbytery office until a decision about its future ministry is made. The church property will stay vacant until a future decision is made by the Commission.

Ministry Issues / Concerns:

Bill Goforth shared with the Commission that 50-60 people are wanting to return to the Valley Pike Church. The Commission agreed to contact these people to determine their willingness and commitment in participating in a ministry at Valley Pike Church.

Bill Goforth will provide the names and telephone numbers to the presbytery office. The presbytery office will divide and distribute the list of names to the Commission members to contact.

The Commission members will: (1) introduce themselves to the prospect; (2) share with them what's currently happening with Valley Pike Church; (3) ask the prospect if they are interested in participating in the Valley Pike Church ministry; (4) and determine the extent of the prospect's commitment.

In addition, Rich Fifield will make a preliminary inquiry with the Tri-City Korean Presbyterian Church to see if they would be interested in using the Valley Pike Church property.

Commission Assignments:

Kim Fifield will contact someone to assess and provide an estimate for needed repairs to the Valley Pike Church property.

Pam Pope will prepare a draft lease for the manse tenants, to be reviewed by the Commission at their next meeting.

Bill Goforth will provide the names and telephone number of prospective participants in the Valley Pike Church ministry to the presbytery office.

Kim Fifield and Rich Fifield will provide a draft of potential questions the Commission members will use as they call on the prospective Valley Pike Church participants.

Rich Fifield will make a preliminary inquiry with the Tri-City Korean Presbyterian Church regarding the Valley Pike Church property.

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| Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, July 16, 2013, 1:00 PM, at the Holston Presbytery Office. |
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Closing Prayer / Adjournment at 3:25 PM by the Moderator.

| Valley Pike Church Timeline of Events |   |  |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| Date                                  | Description   | Comments                               |
| 3/05/11                               | Holston Presbytery received Valley Pike Church.   | Presbytery Minutes                     |
| 3/17/11                               | Valley Pike Church session visitation reported to COM   | COM Minutes<br>40-50 people in worship |
| 9/15/11                               | COM Recommends that Rev. Goforth retire as pastor of Valley Pike Church.  | COM Minutes                            |
| 9/16/11                               | RLF met with Rev. Goforth to relay the COM action.  |  |
| 9/25/11                               | Rev. Goforth's retirement and last service at Valley Pike Church.   | 20-30 people in worship                |
| 10/1/11                               | Valley Pike Church has no remaining elders, the treasurer and the organist resigned. KDF became the church treasurer <i>pro tem</i> . | \$6,440 in bank.                       |
| 10/01/11                              | Rev. Fred Foy Strang began pulpit supply at Valley Pike Church.   | 10 people in worship                   |
| 11/17/11                              | COM denied Rev. Goforth's request to reinstate his pastoral service to Valley Pike Church.  | COM Minutes                            |
| 11/18/11                              | RLF and Rev. Angus Shaw meet with Rev. Goforth to relay the COM decision.   |  |
| 1/15/12                               | A congregational meeting was held. A new Church treasurer was elected.  |  |
| 1/29/12                               | Tony Barnette became the CRE at Valley Pike.  | 12 adults, 7 children in worship       |
| 2/21/12                               | Neighbors call RLF to complain about the manse tenants. CRE notified in writing.  |  |
| 3/08/12                               | Neighbors call HPO complaining about the manse tenants and threatening to sue HPO. CRE notified in writing.                           |  |
| 5/23/12                               | RLF met with Valley Pike Church members and the CRE about dissolving their pastoral relationship.                                     | less than 10 in worship                |
| 9/12/12                               | Paul Warhurst became pulpit supply at Valley Pike Church.   |  |
| 2/27/13                               | Neighbors complain about manse renters--they called the EPA and threatened to sue HPO. Church treasurer notified in writing.          | 1-2 in worship                         |

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| 3/18/13 | RLF received a call that Valley Pike Church was no longer meeting. Church treasurer was contacted for verification. Reply: almost, but not yet.  |   |
| 3/18/13 | RLF contacted FPC, Bristol, about including Valley Pike Church in their mission strategy.  |   |
| 4/09/13 | RLF notified the Church treasurer that HPO was assuming the financial responsibility and the care of the physical property of the Valley Pike Church. Church treasurer removed from bank account, door locks changed, mailing address changed, KDF is, again, church treasurer <i>pro tem</i> . The Presbytery Trustees President and the COM Moderator were notified in writing of these actions. | 0 in worship<br>\$4,079 in bank         |
| 4/10/13 | Manse tenants notified of change--previous 3 months' rent not deposited. Manse tenants express interest in purchasing manse.   |   |
| 4/10/13 | RLF inspects Valley Pike Church, discovers basement heat on 85°.   |   |
| 4/12/13 | RLF and KDF meet with appraiser (for manse) and insurance agent to review coverage on church. New property and liability coverage obtained, saving nearly \$1,000 annually.  |   |
| 4/25/13 | COM denied Rev. Goforth's request to reinstate his pastoral service to Valley Pike Church.   | COM Minutes                             |
| 5/23/13 | COM denied Rev. Goforth's request to reinstate his pastoral service to Valley Pike Church. COM requests that presbytery elect an AC.   | COM Minutes                             |
| 6/01/13 | Presbytery elects Valley Pike Church Administrative Commission.  | Presbytery Minutes.<br>\$4,122 in bank. |

### MINUTES OF THE ELECTRONIC MEETING OF THE VALLEY PIKE CHURCH ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION, JUNE 24, 2013

The following persons voted: Bill Wing; Cheryl Rice; Charlie Murphy; ~~Bill Goforth~~; Pam Pope.

The Tri-City Korean Presbyterian Church was contacted about their interest in using the Valley Pike Presbyterian Church facility. The Tri-City Korean Church responded that they would like to use the facility.

An email, dated June 24, 2013, was sent to the Valley Pike Church Administrative Commission by the Executive Presbyter/Stated Clerk informing them of the Tri-City Korean Church's interest and asking which option they preferred:

1. Do nothing yet and wait until the Administrative Commission meets on Tuesday, July 16, at 1:00 PM.
2. Go ahead and approve the Tri-City Korean Church's use of the Valley Pike Church.
3. When/if the names/telephone numbers of potential Valley Pike Church members are received, begin calling them.
4. Any other ideas?

The unanimous vote was to approve option #2.

MINUTES OF THE VALLEY PIKE CHURCH ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION, JULY 15, 2013, 1:00 PM, AT HOLSTON PRESBYTERY OFFICE

Call to Order/Opening Prayer at 1:07 pm by Bill Wing

Present: Bill Wing, Cheryl Rice, Bill Goforth, Pam Pope, Kim Fifield, Rich Fifield, Guest Juanita Goforth

Absent: Charlie Murphy

Bill Wing explained that the Commission is taking the role of Session for Valley Pike as appointed by the Presbytery.

The minutes of the June 4 and June 24 meetings were approved.

Kim Fifield presented the financial report. The renters of the manse are \$425 behind in payment.

Financial Report – Kim Fifield

|                                      |              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Beginning Balance, June 1, 2013..... | \$4,122.34   |
| Income .....                         | \$1,425.00   |
| Expenses.....                        | (\$1,279.64) |
| Ending Balance, July 15, 2013.....   | \$4,267.70   |

The Tri-City Korean congregation is using the Valley Pike Church Building on a trial basis, up to six months. That congregation will pay the utilities and insurance, and do routine maintenance.

A list of former members was supplied by Juanita Goforth. These people will be contacted by Cheryl, Pam, and Bill to determine interest in revitalizing a congregation at Valley Pike. A questionnaire will be used to make the conversations more complete and uniform. Reports will be shared at the next AC meeting.

The tenants of the manse are behind on the rent, and Kim is waiting to hear back from a repairman on the cost of routine maintenance items outlined in the tenant's letter to Presbytery. A lease agreement was edited and agreed on. Pam Pope was authorized to sign the lease, and she and Rich will present it to the tenants this week, requiring an answer from them by August 1st. A survey of the property is in progress, and we expect a report soon.

The Commission approved using Valley Pike funds to pay for a replacement compressor for the air conditioning unit. The estimate is \$1,500.00. We feel this is NOT regular maintenance, and therefore the Korean congregation shouldn't pay for this item.

The next meeting of the Commission is Tuesday, August 13, 3:30 pm at the Holston Presbytery Office.

Bill Wing closed the meeting with prayer at 2:30 pm. Submitted by Cheryl Rice.

MINUTES OF THE VALLEY PIKE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION, AUGUST 12, 2013, 3:30 PM, AT THE HOLSTON PRESBYTERY OFFICE

Call to Order/Opening Prayer by Bill Wing at 3:30 pm

Present: Bill Wing, Cheryl Rice, Bill Goforth; Pam Pope, Charlie Murphy, Kim Fifield, Rich Fifield, Guest Juanita Goforth

The Minutes of the July 16, 2013, meeting were approved without exception.

The Financial Report was presented by Kim Fifield and approved. The Manse renters are still \$425 behind (from February 2013).

|                                       |              |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Beginning Balance, July 15, 2013..... | \$4,267.70   |
| Income.....                           | \$ 700.00    |
| Expenses.....                         | (\$2,091.36) |
| Ending Balance, August 12, 2013.....  | \$2,876.34   |

(The A/C compressor has been repaired. Will be billed \$1,500.00)

The Korean Church will continue to use the Valley Pike church building until December. They were billed for the utilities and insurance this day, and payment is expected soon.)

Former members of Valley Pike were contacted by the Commission members with the following results: With one exception, all people contacted said they were not interested in returning to Valley Pike for various reasons (attending other churches, health issues).

The Commission pledged to support Dr. Goforth as he reaches out to people, possibly offering Bible study in his home or another home.

Motion carried to present the lease to the renters of the Manse, asking them to sign and return to the Presbytery office in one week, or vacate the premises within 30 days. The renters will also be reminded they are \$425 behind in their rent, from February.

Motion carried to authorize Kim Fifield to have the water problems reported by the tenants be corrected, up to \$300.

The survey drew a new line dividing the Manse from the church building proper.

Church repairs are completed.

The next meeting of the Commission is Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2013 at 3:30 pm at the Holston Presbytery Office.

Bill Wing closed the meeting with prayer at 5:10 pm. Submitted by Cheryl Rice.

**THE MEETING WAS RECESSED FOR SMALL GROUPS** at 9:50 AM and reconvened at 10:50 AM.

**GENERAL MISSION BOARD REPORT:** Sharon Amstutz reported.

The meeting of the General Mission Board was Called to Order at 3:00 PM by Sharon Amstutz, Moderator pro tem.

Opening Devotional and Prayer by Sharon Amstutz.

Present: ~~Brian Wyatt; Mary Lee Harmon; Sharon Amstutz; Andrew Whaley;~~ Tom Phillips; ~~Kathleen Wright;~~ Shane Smith; David Light; David Frizzell; Marshall Steinle; ~~John Smith; Ed Hutchinson; Jim Mays; Pam Pope; Lucretia Meece; Andrea Sutter;~~ Craig Bell; Kim Fifield and Rich Fifield.

[The meeting did not have a quorum. A quorum of members ratified the actions of the General Mission Board by email ballot, as provided in §7 – Organization, in the Holston Presbytery *Manual of Administrative Operations*: Kathleen Wright, Brian Wyatt, John Smith, Mary Lee Harmon, Andrew Whaley, Jim Mays]

Reports/Recommendations to Council:

Stated Clerk’s Report ..... Rich Fifield  
Treasurer’s Report ..... Kim Fifield  
Vice-Moderator’s Report ..... Sharon Amstutz  
Committee Reports:

1. Administration and Budget Committee Recommendation to the General Mission Board: That the 2014 Proposed General Mission Budget of \$449,481.64 be adopted, with a list of future potential budget reduction options. (See below.) The motion was discussed and approved.
2. Administration and Budget Committee Recommendation to the General Mission Board: That Proposed Revisions to the Manual of Administrative Operations be provided in writing at the September 3, 2013 stated presbytery meeting, and that the Proposed Revisions to the Manual of Administrative Operations be considered and voted upon at the December 3, 2013 stated presbytery meeting. (See the Administration and Budget Committee Presbytery Report.) The motion was discussed and approved.

Other Business:

3. The Administration and Budget Committee moderator asked the General Mission Board to take home the questions regarding goals and strategies, committee self-evaluations, and the efficiency and effectiveness of the presbytery, in accordance with the Manual of Administrative Operations and report back to David Light and Rich Fifield.
4. Discipleship Committee will be offering areas of growth to pastors, elders and educating within the presbytery. “Presbytery Intensives” The first one will be offered November 3 – 5, 2013 at Holston Camp – Preaching Through Advent. Second idea will be offering additional class after presbytery meetings and will be offering “Helping Churches be better Communicators” at the December presbytery meeting. Other ideas are in the making within the committee.
5. Tom Phillips shared Committee on Ministry concerns but does not have anything or ideas to share or bring forth. Just for Information.

Actions Referred to Council by Presbytery — None



Draft Copy of Handout Packet for the September 3, 2013 stated meeting of presbytery at Holston Presbytery Camp, Banner Elk, NC, including proposed docket and committee reports to presbytery. *(Packet will be distributed at the meeting.)*

Small Group Leaders:

1. Shane Smith
2. Marshall Steinle
3. Sharon Amstutz
4. Tom Phillips

Other Business / Sharing of Concerns and Prayers

**Future Dates for Council and Presbytery meetings in 2013:**

| <u>Council</u>    | <u>Presbytery</u>                                   |
|-------------------|---|
|                   | September 3, 2013 (Tue) – Holston Camp              |
| November 19, 2013 | December 3, 2013 (Tue) – First Church, Johnson City |

**Future Dates for Council and Presbytery meetings in 2014-2015:**

| <u>Council</u>    | <u>Presbytery</u>                               |
|-------------------|---|
| February 18, 2014 | March 1, 2014 (Sat) – First Church, Greeneville |
| May 20, 2014      | June 7, 2014 (Sat) – New Bethel Church          |
| August 19, 2014   | September 9, 2014 (Tue) – Holston Camp          |
| November 18, 2014 | December 2, 2014 (Tue) – Salem Church           |
| February 17, 2015 | March 7, 2015 (Sat) – (Open)                    |
| May 19, 2015      | June 6, 2015 (Sat) – (Open)                     |
| August 18, 2015   | September 8, 2015 (Tue) – Holston Camp          |
| November 17, 2015 | December 1, 2015 (Tue) – (Open)                 |

Adjournment at 4:45 PM with prayer by Craig Bell.

Council Minutes Committee meets to approve today's minutes. (Rich Fifield, David Frizzell, Marshall Steinle)

| <u>General Mission Budget</u>                      | <u>Revised 2013</u> | <u>Proposed 2014</u> |
|--|---------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Income</b>                                      | <b>\$442,073.00</b> | <b>\$449,481.64</b>  |
| <b>Unified Monies</b>                              | \$390,000.00        | \$414,496.64         |
| <b>Unified Mission Designated Funds</b>            |                     |                      |
| Mission Partnership Funds (GA/Synod)               | \$8,979.00          | \$0.00               |
| Camp Designated Gifts                              |                     |                      |
| Campus Ministry Designated Gifts                   |                     |                      |
| Reynolds Foundation Designated Gift NCD/Evangelism |                     |                      |
| <b>Designated Reserves</b>                         | <b>\$8,109.00</b>   | <b>\$0.00</b>        |
| New Church Development 10752 to CDE                |                     |                      |
| Grigsby Scholarship 10541 to CPM/Scholarships      |                     |                      |
| Tom Dixon Scholarship 10543 to CPM/Scholarships    |                     |                      |
| Youth Ministry Endowment 10531 to YYAM             |                     |                      |
| Fairmount Church 10170                             |                     |                      |
| <b>Advanced Giving</b>                             |                     |                      |
| <b>Interest</b>                                    | <b>\$34,985.00</b>  | <b>\$34,985.00</b>   |
| Checking Account                                   | \$500.00            | \$500.00             |
| Grant Program Interest                             | \$34,485.00         | \$34,485.00          |
|  |                     |                      |
|  |                     |                      |
| <b>Expenses</b>                                    | <b>\$442,073.00</b> | <b>\$449,481.64</b>  |
| <b>Ministries within Holston Presbytery</b>        |                     |                      |
| Committee on Preparation for Ministry              | \$1,500.00          | \$1,500.00           |
| Committee on Ministry                              | \$1,500.00          | \$1,500.00           |
| Mission and Evangelism Committee                   | \$4,250.00          | \$4,250.00           |
| Church Development and Evangelism                  | \$2,500.00          | \$2,500.00           |
| Institutions                                       | \$1,000.00          | \$1,000.00           |
| Ethical Issues and Human Needs                     | \$750.00            | \$750.00             |
| Discipleship Committee                             | \$139,074.62        | \$142,797.37         |
| Holston Center                                     | \$40,000.00         | \$40,000.00          |
| Holston Center Director                            | \$76,544.30         | \$79,986.43          |
| Congregational Life                                | \$2,000.00          | \$2,000.00           |
| Youth Ministry                                     | \$3,500.00          | \$3,500.00           |
| Young Adult Ministry                               | \$3,000.00          | \$3,000.00           |
| Campus House Director                              | \$14,030.33         | \$14,310.93          |
| Administration and Budget Committee                | \$197,321.55        | \$200,737.44         |
| Office   | \$20,900.00         | \$18,152.00          |
| Staff  | \$176,421.55        | \$182,585.44         |
| <b>Ministries with Councils</b>                    | <b>\$98,426.83</b>  | <b>\$98,696.83</b>   |
| Holston Presbytery Council                         | \$0.00              | \$270.00             |
| Synod of Living Waters Unified                     | \$18,000.00         | \$18,000.00          |
| Synod of Living Waters Per Capita                  | \$27,754.54         | \$27,754.54          |
| General Assembly Per Capita                        | \$52,672.29         | \$52,672.29          |
| General Assembly Unified                           |                     |                      |
| <b>Balance</b>                                     | <b>\$0.00</b>       | <b>\$0.00</b>        |

### **Future Potential Budget Reduction Options**

Bill Per Capita to Non/Low Giving Churches  
Decrease Synod Unified Giving  
Decrease Support to Holston Center  
Close Kingsport Office  
Unrestrict/Redesignate Reserves

### **Sample Questions to Presbytery Committees**

1. The stated purpose of Holston Presbytery is: To proclaim Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, to serve Christ by helping the Presbyterian congregations within its boundaries to serve Him, to coordinate the Church's mission to which Holston Presbytery itself is called, and to represent the Presbyterian Church (USA) for its own members and to non-Presbyterians in this region as a witness for Jesus Christ. In what ways does your committee help further the purpose of Holston Presbytery?
2. What are the most important activities/functions/events of your committee?
3. What impact does your committee have on the ministry of congregations? What is your committee's impact on the overall ministry of Holston Presbytery?
4. What does your committee do that excites you the most? What excites you the least?
5. If you could change one or two things about your committee and its work, what would it be?
6. What are the values that guide your committee in its work?
7. Do you have any ideas that would improve your committee's work in furthering the purpose of Holston Presbytery?
8. How would the absence of your committee affect the purpose of Holston Presbytery?
9. List two or three things your committee would like to accomplish in the coming year?
10. Do you have any ideas for improving the effectiveness of your committee and/or the purpose of Holston Presbytery?

#### **COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT:** Tom Phillips reported.

1. Approved the Interim Pastor Contract between the Rev. Pat Willard and Erwin Church with the following terms, effective July 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013: Monthly Cash Salary - \$1,084.00; Monthly Housing Allowance - \$1,000.00; Monthly Reimbursed Travel Expense at IRS Rate up to \$300.00; Continuing Education – ½ week per quarter; Vacation – one week per quarter; and appoint Rev. Willard as Moderator.

2. Approved the Temporary Supply Contract between Commissioned Ruling Elder Gloria Baird (Magill Memorial Church, Level III) and Grays Chapel, effective 6/1/2013 through 5/31/2014 (one year), Cash Salary - \$70 per service.
3. Approved the examination and transfer request of the Rev. Seong Cheol Im (Tri-City Korean Church Temporary Supply) from Sheppards and Lapsley Presbytery to Holston Presbytery. (See attached Statement of Faith and Faith Journey.)
4. Approved the retirement of the Rev. Ike Brighton, effective October 31, 2013.
5. Approved the Temporary Supply Contract between the Rev. Elizabeth Patrick (Foothills Presbytery) and Windsor Avenue Presbyterian Church, effective August 1, 2013 through August 31, 2013 (one month), with the following terms: Monthly Housing Allowance - \$500.00.
6. Examined and transferred the Rev. David Hyers from the Presbytery of Detroit to Holston Presbytery, and validated his ministry as Parish Minister of Troon Old Parish Church, Presbytery of Ayr, Church of Scotland, effective September 10, 2013. (See Faith Journey and Statement of Faith attached.)
7. Examined and approved the call of the Rev. Stan Webster as pastor of Erwin Presbyterian Church, effective September 18, 2013, with the following terms of call: Annual Cash Salary - \$38,000; Manse provided; Church-paid Utilities - \$3,000; SECA Allowance; Board of Pensions; Employer-Provided Dental Insurance; Annual Reimbursed Travel Expenses at the IRS rate up to \$2,000; Annual Reimbursed Continuing Education Expenses up to \$1,000; Annual Manse Equity - \$600; Annual Vacation – four weeks; Annual Continuing Education Leave – two weeks; Sabbatical Leave after six years of continual service. (See Faith Journey and Statement of Faith attached.)
8. The Board of Pensions of the Presbyterian Church (USA) has announced that the dues percentage will increase in 2014 from 33% of effective salary to 35% of effective salary. In addition, the minimum effective salary upon which medical dues are paid, will increase from \$40,000 to \$42,000. The increase is due to higher medical costs, and will cost the employing organization at least \$1,500 more for each member-employee enrolled in the Board of Pensions.
9. Renewed the Interim Pastor Contract between the Rev. Dr. Angus Shaw and the Rogersville Presbyterian Church, effective 11/1/13 through 4/30/14, with the following terms: Monthly Cash Salary - \$2,333.33; Reimbursed Travel Expense at IRS Rate; Vacation – one week per quarter.
10. Reviewed and approved the Ministry Information Form of the Rogersville Presbyterian Church.
11. Please note the Committee on Ministry Policy on Minimum Compensation Standards which were adopted by Holston Presbytery on September 6, 2011, below:

*§6. Minimum Compensation Standards (G-3.0303c)*

*The minimum terms of call for full-time, installed pastors in Holston Presbytery are as follows:*

- Cash salary and housing (manse or allowance) and any deferred compensation must ordinarily equal the minimum participation basis on which the medical dues are calculated for the benefits plan of the Board of Pensions.*
- SECA allowance equal to 7.65% of cash salary and housing (manse or allowance)*
- Full participation in the benefits plan of the Board of Pensions of the PCUSA*
- Travel reimbursement at the IRS rate of at least \$2,000 annually*
- Continuing education reimbursement of at least \$500 annually*
- Continuing education leave of at least two weeks annually*
- Vacation leave of at least four weeks annually*
- A Sabbatical Leave policy that will permit a Sabbatical leave after six continuous years of service.*
- The Committee on Ministry may grant a waiver from the minimum terms of call for a period of up to five years, provided that both the teaching elder and the session concur, and a satisfactory plan for meeting the minimum terms of call within the waiver period has been presented.*

*Beginning in 2012, the minimum terms of call for full-time, Certified Christian Educators is \$35,000; and for full-time, Certified Associate Christian Educators is \$30,000.*

RECOMMENDATIONS:

9. That presbytery grant the Meadowview Church a waiver on limitation of terms for ruling elders for three years, as provided in G-2.0404, because of their small membership. The motion was approved.
10. That presbytery grant the St. Paul Church a waiver on limitation of terms for ruling elders for three years, as provided in G-2.0404, because of their small membership. The motion was approved.

Faith Journey – Seong Cheol Im

I went to church with my parents since I was a baby, and I was baptized as an infant at Kimje Presbyterian Church of South Korea. My entire childhood growth period could not be separated from the church, and I also was a very energetic member of the youth group. While attending the University of Seoul, Korea, but I lost my faith that Jesus is my Lord.

I came to the United States of America in the fall semester of 1991 to the University of Georgia to study English. My student life there was very difficult, because my parents could not

support me well. I found a part-time job and took the church conductor position at the Atlanta Korean Baptist Church. When I was working for the church, I also joined a small Bible study group at the pastor's suggestion. When I was studying the Bible, I found that my view of the point of Christ was wrong, and so I regained the joy of believing in Christ as the Lord. I experienced several times that I was connected with the Holy Spirit. During those three years, my belief was strengthened.

I soon received admission to, and earned the M.M. degree from Texas A&M University. After that, I came back to Atlanta, GA. I found the Grapevine Mission Choir in 1997, which was composed of 35 young adult Christians from different denominations. My main work not only performing concerts but also visiting the nursing homes of the Atlanta area, and it continued until 2002. This experience also gave to me a challenge as minister.

In 2005, I volunteered to become the director and teacher of a young adult group of Korean Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, which was mostly made up of college students. When I led this group, I saw some struggle as they were becoming dedicated Christians. It was truly a strange, exciting feeling, and it gave a different kind of worth to my life. Finally, I firmly believe that God's mission for me is more valuable than any other choices I could make. I did not doubt my choice to go into the ministry, which was not only influenced by my father's prayers for over forty years, but followed by my confidence.

I finished the course works and stop the music study in 2006, and went to the Columbia Theological Seminary. I graduated the M.Div. degree at CTS in 2010, and I got ordained pastor as the Children and Young Adult Minister at Korean Presbyterian Church of Birmingham on November 2010, and I taught the campus ministry of University of Alabama.

With my 4 years ministry experience, I look for the full time solo pastor position. I had been processing with three different churches including the Tri-city Korean Presbyterian Church. Other two churches have more members and a good own churches, but I can't find clear visions. That's why I decided come to this church. I know this church is weak and small, but I found this church has purity and passion. And also I saw that they are trying to build a Christian community, which I could help it.

I have a vision of caring for God's people, and related community with my diverse experiences in 50 years: painful time to cheerful time, poverty to good life, rural life to big city life, Korean life to American life, anti-Christian to dedicated Christian life, attending Pentecostal church to high church, liberal to fundamental church, and many different job experiences. I knew, however, that I have weaknesses and I am a little person blessed by God, and it will be lead to humility to serve God and His people.

#### Statement of Faith – Seong Cheol Im

I believe God is triune, three persons in one substance: the Father and Creator, the Son and Redeemer, the Holy Spirit and Sustainer. Thus, God's fundamental nature is relational—relating intimately and fully both internally with the three persons of the Trinity and externally with all of creation.

I believe Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, and in Him, God was pleased to dwell as fully human and fully divine. Jesus Christ who is God's only Son took the nature of humanity. He died on the cross, rose from death, and shall return for the Last Judgment as he was seen to ascend. We can be saved by God's grace alone, and justified by faith alone not by the works.

I believe that the Holy Spirit inspires us into faith and its assurance, and the Holy Spirit also abides within us, as an alive, active, and unpredictable gift from God. The Holy Spirit motivates and empowers us to respond in faith and obedience to God so that we may live in the freedom we have through the grace of Jesus Christ, discerning God's leading in our lives.

I believe that the Bible, 66 books, is the sole basis and is given by inspiration of Holy Spirit and that it is sufficient to instruct to the man of God. Only by relying on God and the illumination of the Holy Spirit are people in all times and places enabled to interpret the meaning of the Scriptures for their lives.

I believe that the church, Christ's body, is gathering people, which is God's community who believe Jesus as Christ. We are all of God's children. By the Baptism we are participated Christ's death and resurrection, cleaning our sin, and incorporating into body of Christ.

By the Lord's Supper, we are bonded in communion with Him as members of His body. Members of these communities share good times and bad, joy and grief, encouraging each other to greater faithfulness and accountability in living a life modeled on the teaching of Jesus and sharing the gospel message with all nations.

I believe that all creatures are equally important, and we have to keep this all creatures, and make the better environment.

I believe that Christian life I seek to follow Jesus Christ as our exemplar, the one who perfectly fulfilled the two principal commandments: loving God and loving the other, neighbor or enemy, as well as ourselves.

#### Faith Journey – David Hyers

It's strange to think that I have not lived in Appalachia for almost 20 years. Each day in ministry reminds me how blessed I am to be from Holston Presbytery. 10 years ago on my mother's birthday, I knelt in the dirt at worship point overlooking wildcat lake at HPC. Surrounded by friends and family I was ordained to the ministry of word and sacrament. Names like Gilmer, Parsons, Goforth and Grigsby echoed in my mind as strong examples of who we are called to be as pastors and colleagues in ministry. Those trees and mountains are my roots and stable ground. With the memory of that place comes the depth of its people, and with its people is the experience of the God we meet in Jesus Christ. While my heart is in Christ, I will never be far away that place or those people.

In 1988 I attended my first senior high retreat at HPC and felt for the first time a strong and compelling sense of God's love in Christian community. Looking backwards I now know God's faithfulness throughout all my life, yet that weekend was a point of clarity. After two busy years on the Presbytery youth council I headed off to Presbyterian College where my faith

continued to mature. During the summers I would return to work and play in the woods at HPC. Brian Wyatt, who is also a camp person, sometimes asks me why I never went to work at another camp. I simply say, why would I want to go anywhere else. "That's my favorite spot."

My roots serve me well. After college I returned to Holston Presbytery to work at Lee McRae College and in Campus Ministry at ETSU. My call to ministry was confirmed, but I was left with questions about what form that ministry should take. In 1996 I enrolled at Columbia Theological Seminary.

After finishing my course work I moved to Scotland and spent a year at Troon Old Parish Church as a Probationary Assistant Minister. On the windy coast of Ayrshire I feel in love with pastoral ministry and with the congregation I served. I knew there were other areas of ministry to explore, but I'd developed a special passion for congregational ministry.

After returning to the US, I spent a year working with the Homeless in Atlanta completing a year of Clinical Pastoral Education. After graduation from seminary I served at CTS in the IT department, enjoyed being a congregation member one last time and spent long afternoons sailing on Lake Lanier discerning where God might be calling me next.

Prior to serving in my present position I was the Associate Pastor at First Presbyterian Church of Waco, Texas. I could not have asked for a better first call. I soon fell in love with my second congregation. After 8 years I left to follow my wife's first call to be a Resident Minister at First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor.

Since 2011 I have served First Pres Ann Arbor as the Director of Campus Ministry for the University of Michigan. The 100 year-old ministry to the University of Michigan currently reaches over 465 students with 125 undergrads attending our main mid-week worship night. It is a wonderful and dynamic congregation.

Last fall I received a call from the PNC of Troon Old Parish Church, asking about my interest in becoming their pastor. After countless emails, much prayer, a few trips to Scotland, and numerous committee meetings, I was asked to be the sole nominee for the position. April 6th the Congregation voted to call me as their next pastor. The excitement of living aboard and serving in the Church of Scotland pales next to the honor and deep sense of God's faithfulness I feel in being called to this wonderful and dynamic parish. My roots continue to serve me well and I am humbled to return to Troon to serve Christ with such good folk. Please come and see us. Holston family will always be welcome in the Manse at 85 Bentinck Drive.

#### Statement of Faith – David Hyers

I belong, body and soul, in life and death, to God. I trust and believe in one Holy and Triune God witnessed to in Holy Scripture as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We worship, in mystery, beyond language, one God in three persons, with faith seeking understanding.

In love, God spoke into existence all that is. God created all peoples in God's image, and saw that it was good. We confess that our brokenness distorts God's image within us, and we recognize the power of sin and death, which pervades all of creation. Christ, the only one in a position to condemn, is also the one who intercedes for us. In Christ, the whole cosmos is



being reconciled to God. We have the assurance that there is always more mercy in God than sin in us. Love and life in Christ extends beyond forever.

Fully human, fully God, Jesus came into creation proclaiming the good news in word and deed. Fulfilling God's intention for humanity, Jesus shares our joy and laughter, our hunger and pain. Becoming weak in power to be strong in love, Christ died, descended to the depths and was raised for us. Breaking the power of sin and death, Christ is our assurance that there is no place that the light of God's love does not shine. By the work of the Spirit, Christ continues to be present to us and to pray for us.

The Spirit assists us in our weakness, interceding with prayers too deep for words. The Holy Spirit enlivens and liberates, frees and strengthens, inspiring prophets to preach, and poets to sing. In prayer we ask for the Spirit to give light to God's Scripture and direction to our steps.

The sacraments are a visible sign and seal of God's invisible grace. In the waters of Baptism we are named and claimed as God's own beloved children. We are grafted into the body of Christ. Baptism calls us to nurture one another in faith, uphold one another in prayer, and encourage one another in service.

Invited by Christ, to partake of the mystery of the table, we come, not as strangers and as aliens but citizens with the saints, and as members of the household of God. With those before and yet to come, we taste of bread that satisfies more than hunger, and we drink of the cup that quenches more than thirst. We receive a foretaste of the promised reign of God and are given renewed hope and stronger vision to go into the world to serve the One who is passionate about seeing God's people fed.

As Presbyterians we think in our believing, and believe in our thinking. Our confessions and constitution guide the ordering of our lives according to the word of God. The heart of this tradition makes us attentive to unity of the church universal.

The Church is created in love and sustained by grace as the one body of Christ. Coming together, we are called to proclaim the good news in word and deed. We are charged to go out into the world in peace, honoring all people, loving and serving the Lord.

*Soli Deo Gloria!*

#### Faith Journey - Stanley N. Webster

I am coming to you, the members of Holston Presbytery, at a point of new beginning on my faith journey. The ministry I envision at Erwin is coming to me as a new lease on life. I stand in a blessed "time between the times," at a point in the journey in which I am taking deep draughts from the water of baptism. In the faith journey, the Holy Spirit in leading me into a fuller and fuller consciousness of being a child of God through Jesus Christ.

One of my earliest memories is my Mother, Bertha Webster cuddling me on her lap, telling me and my sister how God created the whole world, and how God loves us. I believed her. My Dad, Ralph Webster is there, too in that deep part of me where the foundations of

faith were laid, early. He took me to church. He was my Sunday School teacher in the adolescent years. He carried a picture of Jesus in his wallet.

In the sanctuary of Hawfields Presbyterian Church, Mebane, North Carolina, I experienced the presence of Jesus Christ. In adolescence the church was my refuge from a tough world. I was baptized in the Hawfields sanctuary at age 11. The heavens did not open. It was a simple, decided determination to follow Jesus Christ.

At Duke University the faith of childhood deepened as I learned from the great minds of the Christian tradition. Studying French literature, I read and appreciated several Catholic writers. The Spirit lead me closer to God through Don Richardson, a Methodist lay preacher, who showed me a lot about Christian discipleship.

In my fifth year of teaching, my pastor, the Reverend A.B. Plexico, told me he was convinced I was being called into the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments. I was ready and willing. I perceived the call clearly during a meeting of Orange Presbytery in Durham in 1979. I enrolled at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia, where I met my closest companion in the faith journey—Lauralee Webster. She left a career in Christian Education to become this pastor's wife in May of 1983. The birth of Elizabeth and Jonathan in the first two years of our marriage marked another jump start in God-consciousness for me. The good news of the divine Parent's love began to make sense in a new way.

Pastoral ministry began in the French Reformed Church of Montpellier, where I learned truly to listen to people. (They were speaking French very rapidly!) Ministry continued (again as a student) in the mountains of West Virginia, then in the Outer Banks town of Pollocksville, North Carolina, my first pastorate. From there I went to serve in a neighborhood church in Lexington, Kentucky for nine years. From there I was called to Portsmouth, Ohio, where I have served 18 years. Of all the outstanding people I have worked with in those years, I must name elder Jack Walter, with whom I have had lively discussions of the lectionary every week. In all these pastorates my goal has been bring the Word of God and the people of God together.

Thank you for inviting me to share the essential lines of my faith journey. As the Spirit provides a new start among the people of Holston Presbytery, new faith will produce new work. May that work always spring fresh from the waters of our baptism!

Statement of Faith - Stanley N. Webster  
"This We Believe"

We look around us at the beauty of this world and believe that this glory is the signature of a Creator. We believe that God spoke this wondrous world into existence. We believe that from the beginning God spoke with us and we spoke back in love and obedience. But then, in pride, we cut the conversation off by disobeying God. Ever since the fall, God has been working to re-establish communication.

God made the decisive move in coming to be with us in the person of the Son of God, Jesus Christ. God's word was fully and perfectly expressed in the life, death, and resurrection of

Jesus. Eyewitnesses bear testimony to this event in our New Testament. We believe the apostles' reports.

The truth that God expressed in the life, death and resurrection of the Son of God must be communicated to people today. We must work to keep this event in our collective consciousness, because it is the full expression of God's word. We come together in congregations to help each other hear this word and enter more fully into union with Christ as the Holy Spirit brings us more and more fully into the truth of that word. The members go out from our gatherings strengthened by the word to speak the word in places where it has not yet been enunciated.

We believe that Jesus Christ is present with us when we gather in his name to preach the word and administer the sacraments. The Holy Spirit illumines the scriptures and sacraments to unite us, ever more fully, with Jesus, the living Word of God. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we can hear and obey the word of God. We don't believe we can save ourselves by obeying the commandments in the Bible. We are saved only by the grace God, through faith. We care about the social order and believe that all of human society ought to be brought into line with God's word.

We believe God's ultimate communication will come in a full revelation of the Son of God to the whole world. Jesus Christ will return to establish the reign of God. In the final consummation, we will share in the glorious communion of the Holy Trinity—Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Even now, we live each day as citizens of that realm of love.

We believe God's word. God spoke in the creation. God spoke again, more clearly, in the life, death and resurrection of the Son of God. God the Holy Spirit continually speaks in the flow of the Christian life, uniting us more fully to Christ as we read the scriptures together in loving community. God will speak to us in eternity, communicating the love of the Holy Trinity in communion that has no end. This we believe!

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN REPORT:** Lucretia Meece reported.

The triennial meeting of the Synod of Living Waters Presbyterian Women was held in Elizabethtown, Kentucky in June. The workshop and business meetings were educational and interesting. It's such a great opportunity to meet and share ideas with PW from KY, AL, MS, and TN.

June 18-26 brought our great opportunity to share Appalachia with our PW sisters from all around the country at the *Mission Experience: Appalachia*. The 22 participants representing 15 synods (from as far as Alaska, California, South Dakota, Florida, and points between) met and began the trip in Asheville, and included speakers and time at Warren Wilson College, Black Mountain Children's Home, Mission Hospital, Montreat, and groups that informed us about legal issues, children's health issues, sex trafficking, women's correctional facilities and others.

On the Tennessee side of the mountains, we heard from the Department of Appalachian Studies at ETSU, issues of illegal drug abuse and drug abuse by elderly, Appalachian Service Projects, visited a home with the water purification system set up by Living Waters of the World, and visited sites from early Presbyterian-sponsored mission schools including Cedar

Creek and Sunset Gap Community Center, stayed at Tusculum College, toured the Community Food Bank in Greeneville and the Nathanael Greene Museum, Ruth's Blessings, etc. Saturday night included a visit to the 'jam' at Rheatown for a wild evening of music.

Sunday morning found small groups headed to 6 local churches for services in the Greene County area and finished with a communal meal at Chuckey PC. After lunch, it was back across the mountains for meetings and sharing a meal with the PW of Cherokee and on to Asheville to wrap up.

It was very successful and gave the participants much to share as they now itinerate for 2 years about what they learned on the trip. It was such a pleasure to be able to meet the participants and for the PW of Holston coordinating team to share a meal with them while at Cedar Creek.

Our next event is the Spiritual Growth Retreat at Holston Camp in Banner Elk Sept. 27-29. Please make your reservations with Lois Bronson or call me at the number below. Attending the Retreat is time well spent. We hope to see you there!

The Fall Gathering is at Cedar Creek in Greeneville October 19. Please check with your PW moderator or call me for information and/or reservations. Our speaker is Hardie Frankel (Mississippi) who will tell about her experiences on the ME: Appalachia trip.

Blessings, as we continue to carry out our service of mission. Please join us. We have vacancies on the coordinating team and need your participation.

**DISCIPLESHIP COMMITTEE:** Shane Smith reported on new Intensives offered in conjunction with presbytery meetings (training opportunities) and an upcoming Worship/Advent Planning Retreat.

**YOUTH SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT:** Liz Troyer reported on the active youth events in Holston Presbytery, including the summer youth trips and upcoming youth events.

**HOLSTON CENTER SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT:** Hal Hunter reported.

Summer Camp: God was at work in our excellent staff helping to lead the campers to a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. Every morning was started with Morning worship and singing that could be heard across Wildcat Lake. After lunch each cabin would have a time of Bible Study and some FOB time. (Flat On your Bunk) At the close of each active day everyone came together for worship and singing.

New programs were added this year thanks to a grant from the Mooneyhan Family Foundation. The two zip lines were on the top of every campers list of favorites. We also added mountain biking and Lee McRae allowed our campers to bike on their dirt trails. Other programs the campers were able to participate in: Rock Climbing, Indoor wall climb at Lees McRae, Lake Lyons, Crafts, Archery, Sling Shot, Paintball – always a big hit, Survivor skills, Disc golf, fishing, swimming, canoeing, kayaking, whitewater rafting, backpacking, fort building, gnome homes, and more. We had a good number of campers who came back for two weeks this year.

Summer Camp 2014

❖ Rates will only be \$399

- ❖ Early Bird Discount rate \$374 until Dec 2013
- ❖ Recruiter Discount of \$50 and a free camp shirt for every new camper recruited
- ❖ So be looking for your email about how to sign up. Only need your deposit to hold your spot. Join us on Facebook at: Holston Presbytery Camp and Retreat Center to see all of the camper photos from each week.

Day Camp was a huge success with 8 weeks of local campers who came back every week for more.

Improvements:

- ❖ Our annual work group from First Johnson City raised \$800 and helped to build our new Swing Circle. This 24 foot diameter eight sided 6 x 6 structure has 8 bench swings 5 feet wide and can hold 24 people swinging. It will have a fire ring in the middle.
- ❖ French drains added in rec field to allow the natural wet weather springs to run off rather than keep the play field wet.
- ❖ 70 more trees and bushes donated by our local tree man. This really helps to beautify your camp and retreat center.
- ❖ Installation of 2 -320 foot zip lines.

Family camp II will be held August 23-25. Our spring Family Camp was well attended but many wanted to come back for a warmer time to swim.

We hosted a Girl Scout Fun Day in Partnership with the Councils in Upper East Tennessee. We had over 55 for a day of zipline, archery, swimming, crafts and climbing.

Jim Wood, board member held his first time family reunion for a week and plans to come back.

The Kibler Family Reunion came back for their 32<sup>nd</sup> year and have reservations for next year. They rent out the entire camp for a week.

We had a returning work crew from Media Presbyterian Church, PA of 70 + for a full week. They will be coming back with more. They did Habitat in 3 counties including Unicoi.

Yes, we had a wet summer but the staff did not get down about that with the campers. They hiked in the rain, played four square, camped out, and enjoyed everything about camp. We hope you and your church will reach out to children in your neighborhood and make it possible for them to attend Holston Camp next summer.

The Camp Board has been working on a long range strategy for the next 7-10 years. We will share our results that the December Presbytery meeting.

You have a dedicated staff:

- Lisa Jones, office manager is in her 3<sup>rd</sup> year.
- Donna Townsend, housekeeping has been here 13 years
- Peggy Crump, food service has been here 24 years.
- Tim Jones, program director is in his 3<sup>rd</sup> year.
- Wayne Smith, maintenance is in his 14<sup>th</sup> year.

- Craig Bell, director is finishing up 19 years.

Please check out our Website for upcoming events and how to register: [www.holstoncamp.org](http://www.holstoncamp.org)

How to contact us and support the camp ministry: (828) 898-6611, PO Box, 428 Banner Elk, NC 28604

We have had many new supporters of the camp this year through Team 3:16. We hope you will consider becoming a member of the Team. Thank you for your prayers.

Sign up for the Christmas Tree Choose N Cut for Dec. 6-7.

### Holston Camp Profit/Loss Statement


|   | <u>Jan - Jul 13</u> |
|---|---------------------|
| <b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>            |                     |
| <b>Income</b>                             |                     |
| <b>40000 · Operating Income</b>           |                     |
| 406000 · Holston Support                  | 23,333.31           |
| 406200 · Camp Store & Drinks              | 879.17              |
| 406300 · NC Tax Rebate                    | 3,822.96            |
| 406350 · HUB Interest                     | 33.28               |
| 40000 · Operating Income - Other          | <u>65.46</u>        |
| <b>Total 40000 · Operating Income</b>     | <b>28,134.18</b>    |
| <br>                                      |                     |
| <b>406400 · Retreat Income</b>            |                     |
| Paintball                                 | 565.00              |
| Special Event Income                      | 90.00               |
| Holston Retreat Sleep                     | 9,181.00            |
| Holston Retreat Food                      | 7,447.00            |
| Other Retreat Sleep                       | 58,142.00           |
| Other Retreat Food                        | 28,820.86           |
| 406400 · Retreat Income - Other           | <u>2,725.00</u>     |
| <b>Total 406400 · Retreat Income</b>      | <b>106,970.86</b>   |
| <br>                                      |                     |
| <b>407000 · Summer Camp Income</b>        |                     |
| 407155 · Camper T-Shirts                  | 784.00              |
| 407110 · Day Camp Fees                    | 9,035.00            |
| 407100 · Camper Fees                      | 68,866.25           |
| 407000 · Summer Camp Income - Other       | <u>197.00</u>       |
| <b>Total 407000 · Summer Camp Income</b>  | <b>78,882.25</b>    |
| <br>                                      |                     |
| 407200d · Camper Scholarships             | 1,505.00            |
| 407300d · Camper Program Restricted Gifts | <u>405.10</u>       |

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| <b>Total Income</b>                          | 215,897.39                |
| <b>Expense</b>                               |                           |
| <b>60000 · Overhead Expenses</b>             |                           |
| Utilities                                    | 32,003.94                 |
| Repair/Maintenance                           | 15,879.37                 |
| Vehicle Upkeep                               | 1,163.72                  |
| Administration                               | 24,727.23                 |
| Board of Pensions                            | <u>21,355.28</u>          |
| <b>Total 60000 · Overhead Expenses</b>       | 95,129.54                 |
| <b>6560 · Payroll Expenses</b>               |                           |
| 6560 · Payroll Expenses                      | 80,527.24                 |
| <b>64000 · Retreat Expenses</b>              |                           |
| Special Event Expenses                       | 1,570.58                  |
| 64000 · Retreat Expenses - Other             | <u>32,160.18</u>          |
| <b>Total 64000 · Retreat Expenses</b>        | 33,730.76                 |
| <b>70000 · Summer Camp Expenses</b>          |                           |
| 70000 · Summer Camp Expenses                 | <u>36,652.91</u>          |
| <b>Total Expense</b>                         | <u>246,040.45</u>         |
| <b>Net Ordinary Income</b>                   | -30,143.06                |
| <b>Other Income/Expense</b>                  |                           |
| <b>Other Income</b>                          |                           |
| <b>408000 · Unrestricted Income</b>          |                           |
| Annual Fund Drive Income                     | 1,421.38                  |
| 408000 · Unrestricted Income - Other         | <u>19,131.35</u>          |
| <b>Total 408000 · Unrestricted Income</b>    | 20,552.73                 |
| <b>408500d · Restricted - Directed Gifts</b> |                           |
| 408500d · Restricted - Directed Gifts        | 37,425.89                 |
| 408500 · PFSA Grant                          | <u>4,164.28</u>           |
| <b>Total Other Income</b>                    | 62,142.90                 |
| <b>Other Expense</b>                         |                           |
| 97777 · Cabins Reno Line of Credit           | 144,288.88                |
| 80000 · Unrestricted Expense                 | 4,739.70                  |
| 85510d · Restricted - Directed Expenses      | <u>11,703.59</u>          |
| <b>Total Other Expense</b>                   | <u>160,732.17</u>         |
| <b>Net Other Income</b>                      | <u>-98,589.27</u>         |
| <b>Net Income</b>                            | <u><u>-128,732.33</u></u> |

## Holston Camp Fund Balances

|  | <u>Jul 31, 13</u>       |
|--|-------------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                            |                         |
| <b>Current Assets</b>                    |                         |
| <b>Checking/Savings</b>                  |                         |
| <b>100000 · Highlands Union Bk</b>       |                         |
| 109888d · Cabins Reno Credit Line        | -8,000.00               |
| 101000 · Savings Account                 | 3,094.50                |
| 106000 · Operations Checking             | 419.82                  |
| 107000 · Summer Camp                     | 21,243.25               |
| <b>108000 · Unrestricted Gifts</b>       |                         |
| 108001 · Annual Fund Drive               | 26,733.52               |
| 108000 · Unrestricted Gifts - Other      | <u>54,291.12</u>        |
| <b>Total 108000 · Unrestricted Gifts</b> | 81,024.64               |
| 107000d · Sum. Camp Gifts (Designated)   | 19,889.86               |
| 108500d · Restricted Fds (Designated)    | -10,716.10              |
| 109777d · Lake Project Bank Credit Line  | -15,576.48              |
| 100000 · Highlands Union Bk - Other      | <u>-5,225.38</u>        |
| <b>Total 100000 · Highlands Union Bk</b> | <u>86,154.11</u>        |
| <b>Total Checking/Savings</b>            | 86,154.11               |
| <b>Accounts Receivable</b>               |                         |
| 101200 · Accounts Receivable Deposits    | <u>-22,127.50</u>       |
| <b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>         | -22,127.50              |
| <b>Other Current Assets</b>              |                         |
| 1601 · Other Receivables - Sales Tax     | <u>2,650.84</u>         |
| <b>Total Other Current Assets</b>        | <u>2,650.84</u>         |
| <b>Total Current Assets</b>              | <u>66,677.45</u>        |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                      | <u><u>66,677.45</u></u> |
| <br><b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>      | <br>0.00                |



|  Holston Center, Inc.<br>Summer 2013 |  | Camper Total | Male Camper | Female Camper | Male Staff | Female Staff | Day Camp Fee | Day Camp Fee Totals | Resid. Camp Fees | Resid. Camp Fee Totals |
|---|--|--------------|-------------|---------------|------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Week 1 (June 9-14)</b>   |  | 10           | 5           | 5             | 2          | 2            |              |                     | \$415            | \$4,150                |
| Week 1 CIT  |  | 1            |             | 1             |            | 2            |              |                     | \$415            | \$415                  |
| Paint Ball Week 1   |  | 3            |             | 3             |            |              |              |                     | \$25             | \$75                   |
| Watauga Rafting Week 1  |  | 2            |             | 1             |            |              |              |                     | \$62             | \$124                  |
| Nolichucky Rafting Week 1   |  | 0            |             |               |            |              |              |                     | \$80             | \$0                    |
| <b>Day Camp Week 1 (June 10-14)</b>   |  | 4            | 3           | 1             | 0          | 2            | \$130        | \$520               |                  |                        |
| <b>Week 2 (June 16-21)</b>  |  | 29           | 14          | 15            | 2          | 8            |              |                     | \$415            | \$12,035               |
| Junior Counselor  |  | 1            | 0           | 1             |            | 1            |              |                     | \$415            | \$415                  |
| Adventure Camp I  |  | 0            |             |               | 1          | 0            |              |                     | \$510            | \$0                    |
| High Adventure Camp I   |  | 3            | 1           | 2             |            | 2            |              |                     | \$510            | \$1,530                |
| Paint Ball Week 2   |  | 7            | 7           | 0             |            |              |              |                     | \$25             | \$175                  |
| Watauga Rafting Week 2  |  | 4            | 2           | 2             | 1          | 1            |              |                     | \$62             | \$248                  |
| Nolichucky Rafting Week 2   |  | 1            | 0           | 1             |            | 1            |              |                     | \$80             | \$80                   |
| <b>Day Camp Week 2 (June 16-21)</b>   |  | 4            | 1           | 3             | 0          | 2            | \$130        | \$520               |                  |                        |
| <b>Week 3 (June 23-28)</b>  |  | 33           | 21          | 12            | 4          | 4            |              |                     | \$415            | \$13,695               |
| Paint Ball Week 3   |  | 20           | 17          | 3             |            |              |              |                     | \$25             | \$500                  |
| Watauga Rafting Week 3  |  | 2            | 1           | 1             | 1          | 1            |              |                     | \$62             | \$124                  |
| Nolichucky Rafting Week 3   |  | 2            | 1           | 1             | 1          | 1            |              |                     | \$80             | \$160                  |
| <b>Day Camp Week 3 (June 25-29)</b>   |  | 10           | 6           | 4             | 1          | 1            | \$130        | \$1,300             |                  |                        |
| <b>Day Camp Paint Ball Week 3</b>   |  | 3            | 1           | 2             |            |              | \$25         | \$75                |                  |                        |
| <b>Week 4 (June 30-July 5)</b>  |  | 5            |             | 5             | 0          | 5            |              |                     | \$415            | \$2,075                |
| Rustic Camp I   |  | 6            | 6           |               | 2          |              |              |                     | \$415            | \$740                  |
| Paint Ball Week 4   |  | 6            | 6           |               |            |              |              |                     | \$25             | \$150                  |
| Watauga Rafting Week 4  |  | 1            | 1           |               | 1          |              |              |                     | \$62             | \$62                   |
| Nolichucky Rafting Week 4   |  | 1            | 1           |               | 1          |              |              |                     | \$80             | \$80                   |
| <b>Day Camp Week 4 (July 1-5)</b>   |  | 10           | 4           | 6             | 1          | 1            | \$130        | \$1,300             |                  |                        |
| <b>Day Camp Paint Ball Week 4</b>   |  | 1            | 1           |               |            |              | \$25         | \$25                |                  |                        |
| <b>Week 5 (July 7-12)</b>   |  | 28           | 18          | 10            | 4          | 4            |              |                     | \$415            | \$11,620               |
| Adventure Camp II   |  | 2            | 2           |               | 1          |              |              |                     | \$510            | \$1,020                |
| High Adventure Camp II  |  | 5            | 3           | 2             | 1          | 2            |              |                     | \$510            | \$2,550                |
| Paint Ball Week 5   |  | 6            | 6           |               |            |              |              |                     | \$25             | \$150                  |
| Watauga Rafting Week 5  |  | 2            | 2           |               |            |              |              |                     | \$62             | \$124                  |
| Nolichucky Rafting Week 5   |  | 3            | 2           | 1             |            |              |              |                     | \$80             | \$240                  |
| <b>Day Camp Week 5 (July 8-12)</b>  |  | 15           | 8           | 7             | 1          | 1            | \$130        | \$1,950             |                  |                        |
| <b>Day Camp Paint Ball Week 5</b>   |  | 7            | 6           | 1             |            |              | \$25         | \$175               |                  |                        |
| <b>Week 6 (July 14-19)</b>  |  | 27           | 19          | 8             | 4          | 4            |              |                     | \$415            | \$11,205               |
| Rustic Camp II  |  | 14           | 12          | 2             | 2          | 1            |              |                     | \$415            | \$5,810                |
| Paint Ball Week 6   |  | 9            | 7           | 2             |            |              |              |                     | \$25             | \$225                  |
| Watauga Rafting Week 6  |  | 1            | 1           |               |            |              |              |                     | \$62             | \$62                   |
| Nolichucky Rafting Week 6   |  | 2            | 2           | 0             |            |              |              |                     | \$80             | \$160                  |
| <b>Day Camp Week 6 (July 15-20)</b>   |  | 15           | 4           | 11            | 1          | 2            | \$130        | \$1,950             |                  |                        |
| <b>Day Camp Paint Ball Week 6</b>   |  |              | 1           |               |            |              | \$25         | \$25                |                  |                        |
| <b>Day Camp Week 7 (July 22-26)</b>   |  | 8            | 1           | 6             | 1          | 1            | \$130        | \$1,040             |                  |                        |
| <b>Day Camp Week 8 (July 29-August 2)</b>   |  | 8            | 3           | 5             |            | 2            | \$130        | \$1,040             |                  |                        |
| <b>Resident Summer Totals</b>   |  | 164          | 100         | 64            |            |              |              |                     |                  | \$69,999               |
| <b>Day Camp Totals</b>  |  | 74           | 29          | 45            |            |              |              | \$9,920             |                  |                        |
| <b>TOTAL SUMMER CAMP INCOME</b>   |  |              |             |               |            |              |              |                     |                  | \$79,919               |

**MISSION AND EVANGELISM COMMITTEE REPORT:** Jerry Nagel reported.

1. The *Ad Hoc* Committee on Gun Violence met on June 20, 2013 and viewed the film, "TRIGGER: The Ripple Effect of Gun Violence," as they continue to prepare a response to the overture submitted by First Church, Elizabethton.  
(Go to <http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/pda/trigger/> for more information about the film.)
2. Ruling Elder Jerry Nagel (Covenant Church) is available to speak with any church on the subject of gun violence (call 423-928-0853, or email [swnjwn@embarqmail.com](mailto:swnjwn@embarqmail.com)).

**ADMINISTRATION AND BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT:** Gary Kelly reported.

1. The Financial Review Taskforce, composed of ruling elder Pamela Pope, teaching elder Gary Kelly, and ruling elder Harold Finley, has completed their review of the presbytery's 2012 finances in accordance with the *Book of Order*, G-3.0113. Their analysis did not discover any material modifications that should be made to improve the accuracy of the 2012 financial statements of Holston Presbytery. The Taskforce's efforts saved the presbytery thousands of dollars and are deeply appreciated.
2. The Administration and Budget Committee will be visiting the various presbytery committees in the coming months to gather feedback on the presbytery's effectiveness.
3. The ministry of Holston Presbytery is funded by the voluntary contributions of its congregations. Thank you for your generous financial commitment to the General Mission Budget which serves local congregations and their ministries, church leaders, and the wider church!
4. A reminder to all presbytery committees: all presbytery expenses must be paid by voucher (with supporting documentation) upon approval of the presbytery committee moderator and subsequent review of the Administration and Budget Committee moderator.
5. A reminder to all congregations and church treasurers: a statement detailing your congregation's designated and undesignated financial gifts to Holston Presbytery are sent each quarter. Your review of the quarterly statement is an important internal financial control of the presbytery's finances. Please immediately report any discrepancies to the presbytery office or to the Administration and Budget Committee moderator.
6. Your timely remittance of funds to the presbytery office is greatly appreciated!
7. Things to know about the General Assembly and the Synod of Living Waters per capita:
  - a. The General Assembly per capita for 2013 is \$6.87 per church member, as recorded on your annual statistical report. (Read more about it here: <http://oga.pcusa.org/section/departments/per-capita/>)

- b. The Synod of Living Waters per capita for 2013 is \$3.62 per church member, as recorded on your annual statistical report.
  - c. The combined General Assembly and Synod of Living Waters 2013 per capita is \$10.49 per church member. Holston Presbytery is required by the *Book of Order* to give the full per capita to the General Assembly and the Synod of Living Waters—even when congregations withhold their giving to the presbytery.
  - d. For 2013, Holston Presbytery will give over \$80,000 in combined per capita (based on the total reported 2011 church membership of 7,667)—that’s over 20% of all anticipated congregational contributions in 2013!
8. In the coming year, Holston Presbytery will face very difficult budgetary decisions which will include further reductions in program, support services and staff, if the current congregational giving pattern continues. This will seriously impact the work in many mission areas currently supported by congregational giving to Holston Presbytery. In 2002, congregational contributions totaled over \$640,000—in 2012, congregational contributions totaled nearly \$420,000—a one-third reduction in giving!
9. The following proposed revisions to the Holston Presbytery *Manual of Administrative Operations* will be debated and acted upon at the December 3, 2013, stated presbytery meeting:

(additions are underlined, deletions are ~~stricken~~)

§7 Organization, page 8, Administration and Budget Committee Functions:

Prepare budgets for the General Mission Program of the presbytery for approval by the General Mission Board ~~and the presbytery.~~

RATIONALE: Currently, it is the General Mission Board who approves and revises the Presbytery General Mission Budget throughout the year.

§7 Organization, page 10, Committee on Mission and Evangelism Functions:

~~Select annually an Associate in Mission (AIM) to work with the Division of International Mission and The Program Agency.~~

RATIONALE: The Associate in Mission (AIM) program no longer exists.

§7 Organization, page 11, Committee on Discipleship Functions:

Foster stewardship, ~~to prepare the General Mission Budget for Holston Presbytery and to evaluate all requests for financial appeals or campaigns.~~

E and encourage the local churches in the intelligent stewardship of their local resources of time, talent, and money through a program of stewardship education.

RATIONALE: It is the function of the Administration and Budget Committee to prepare the General Mission Budget and evaluate all requests for financial appeals or campaigns.

§7 Organization, page 12, Trustees of Presbytery:

The trustees shall administer and maintain the real estate and other property of Holston Presbytery including an annual report to the ~~March~~ December stated meeting...

RATIONALE: The Annual Meeting of the Trustees is held in September in accordance with the Bylaws of Holston Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Inc. The next stated meeting following the Trustees Annual Meeting would be in December.

PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH ALL SESSION MEMBERS AND CHURCH LEADERS.

MOTION: John Shuck moved that congregational giving to the presbytery be reported to the presbytery. The motion was seconded and discussed. The motion was approved.

**NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT:** Jim Mays reported.

1. The Nominations Committee is currently seeking nominations for several vacancies.

NOMINATIONS:

1. The Rev. Sharon Amstutz as Moderator of Holston Presbytery for 2014.
2. Bill McClure (First Church, Kingsport), Nominations Committee, Class of 2014.
3. Larry Dodd (First Church, Johnson City), Nominations Committee, Class of 2015.

There were no nominations from the floor—the nominees were elected.

**REPORT ON LEES-MCRAE COLLEGE:** Mitch Marlowe reported.

**PREVIOUSLY DOCKETED NEW BUSINESS FOR TODAY:** None.

**PROMOTIONS** were shared with the presbytery.

**COMMITTEE ON THANKS REPORT.**

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Moderator called upon the Committee on Thanks to give their report. The Moderator, Mary Lee Harmon, delivered the prayer of thanks for the meal and adjourned the meeting at 12:26 PM.

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Mary Lee Harmon, Moderator

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Richard L. Fifield, Stated Clerk