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MINUTES
STATED MEETING OF HOLSTON PRESBYTERY
First Presbyterian Church – Jefferson City, TN
March 6, 2006

Holston Presbytery met for its stated meeting at First Presbyterian Church in Jefferson City, TN on March 6, 2006. The Moderator, Beth Yarborough, called the meeting to order at 9:00AM. A worship service with Reverend Russ Weekley, Reverend Barron Hopper, Commissioned Lay Pastor Cheryl Rice, Youth Council members Jessica Reese and Jennifer Rembert began the meeting with prayer. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was served by Reverend Weekley and elders from First Presbyterian. Music was provided by Angie France, organist for First Presbyterian.

RULING ELDER NECROLOGY - 2005

Donald E. Wood, *Honorably Retired Minister*, died May 19 in Forest City, NC.

Hubert J. Kaylor, *Honorably Retired Minister*, died August 7 at age 85 in Wilmington, NC.

Ellis Lee, Jr., *Bethel Presbyterian, Kingsport*, died October 11 at age 93.

Mary Taylor, *Bethel Presbyterian, Dandridge*, died February 25.

Roberta Robinson, *Bethel Presbyterian, Dandridge*, died October 19.

Vincent C. Baker, *Blountville Presbyterian*, died August 18 at the age of 72.

Joseph C. Leslie, *First Presbyterian, Bristol*, died June 30 at the age of 91.

Joanne King Bassett, *First Presbyterian, Bristol*, died August 10 at age 73.

Grace Eloise Hagy, *First Presbyterian, Bristol*, died October 6 at age 84.

Thomas Carter, *Cedarview Presbyterian*, died May 15, at age 85. He loved his church. He was especially partial to the 3 Cents a Meal offering, bringing his contributions in change.

Marta Freeman Pugh, *Colonial Heights Presbyterian*, died April 24 at age 49.

John Robert "Bob" Spiers, *Colonial Heights Presbyterian*, died October 13 at age 64.

Louise Deal, *Erwin Presbyterian*, died January 7 at the age of 102.

Everett Williams, *Erwin Presbyterian*, died

November 11 at the age of 82.

Agnes Larroueue, *Hopewell Presbyterian and Westminster Presbyterian*, died January 5.

Mrs. Marion Seaborn Dulaney, *First Presbyterian, Kingsport*, died September 27 at the age of 72.

Mrs. Margaret Courtney Argabrite, *First Presbyterian, Kingsport*, died October 25 at age 79.

Claudius Greer Clemmer, *First Presbyterian, Kingsport*, died November 20 at age 94.

Flournoy "Noy" Montgomery, *First Presbyterian, Johnson City*, died October 21 at age 57.

Opie Haws, *Jonesborough Presbyterian*, died September 17 at age 80.

Marvin Horner, *First Presbyterian, Morristown*, died on August 9.

William Starnes Davidson, Sr., *New Providence Presbyterian*, died March 13 at the age of 79. Exemplary elder dedicated to serving the Lord and his church even in reduced health. His legacy is incalculable and his loss immeasurable.

Martha Hunt, *Preston Hills Presbyterian*, died on January 12 at age 82.

Ray Hunt, *Preston Hills Presbyterian*, died on March 8 at the age of 81.

Geri Leger, *Preston Hills Presbyterian*, died on August 27 at the age of 72.

John Fuzek, *Preston Hills Presbyterian*, died on June 23 at the age of 83.

Richard Griffith, *Rogersville Presbyterian*, died on November 20 at age 88.

James Walker Parrott, *Strawberry Plains Presbyterian*, died on August 21. Mr. Parrott was retired from the State of Tennessee Court of Appeals (civil).

Ann H. Huntsman, *Timber Ridge Presbyterian*, died January 30.

John C. Douthat, *Timber Ridge Presbyterian*, died November 7.

Lee Carter, *Watauga Avenue Presbyterian*, died June 10 at the age of 87. He served as Clerk of Session for nearly 20 years in 1950's and 1960's.

Russ Weekley welcomed commissioners and guests to the meeting. First time commissioners and guests were recognized by the Moderator.

MINISTERS PRESENT: Sharon Amstutz, Gary Bement, Ike Brighton, Margaret Burkey, David Cagle, Greg Cartwright, Martin Christian, Daniel S. Clark, Conrad Crow, Dan Donaldson, Charles Echols, Baron Eliason, John Everett, Rich Fifield, Craig Foster, Don Frederick, Bill Goforth, Ted Hagen, II, David Hale, Barron Hopper, R. Gary Kelly, Mark L. Knisley, Robert L. Lowry, David Miller, Don Muncie, Tom Phillips, Richard Ray, Steve Rembert, George Rolling, Raymond Saunders, Angus Shaw, John Shuck, Harrison Taylor, Fred Walker, Russ Weekley, Brian Wyatt, Beth Yarborough,.

MINISTERS ABSENT: William Allen, Robert Armistead, Richard Austin, Earle Barron, Elmon Brown, John Campbell, Payne Cave, Alan Chapman, Sung Wook Chung, Catherine Clasen, Harrell Cobb, John Dowling, Clarence Durham, Barrett Gilmer, Jim Gray, Yale Gunn, David Hambrick, William Herd, Ira Howard, Ralph Hutchison, William D. Hyers, Greg Jordan, Phillip Kestner, Lewis Lancaster, Jim McClanahan, Jim Martin, John Martin, Dennis Maxey, Jim Mays, Russ Morgan, Charlie Murphy, William Olson, Gradye Parsons, J. Wiley Prugh, Errol Rohr, Glenn Scruggs, Ed Shackelford, David Sims, Andrew Spence, Fred Foy Strang, Terry Sutherland, Charles Sydnor, Gordon Turnbull, Thomas Wade, Steve Weisz, David Welch, Katherine White, Ray White, Davis Whitesides, William Young.

ELDER COMMISSIONERS: (P - Principle; A - Alternate; V - Visitor) Amity – Bethany – John Hurt (P)

Bethel, Dandridge – Calvin Ballinger (P)

Bethel, Kingsport – Ted Neeves (P)

Blountville – Harold Barr (P)

Bristol, First – Bill Wade (P); J. B. Madison (P)

Cedar Creek –

Cedarview – Coy Klepper (P); Helen Jones (A); Roland Jones (V)

Chuckey –

Clinton –

Cold Spring – Chuck King (P)

Colonial Heights – Teresa Strickler (P) Dave Smith (P); Charles Barrett (V)

Cove Creek -

Covenant – Ann Smith (P)

Cross Anchor –

Elizabethton, First – Michael Brown (P)

Erwin – Alan Lewis (P)

Grays Chapel –

Greeneville, First – Mark Stokes (P)

Hebron –

Hopewell – Sue Akridge (P); Ruth Morgan (V)

Jefferson City, First –

Jennie Moore –

Johnson City, First – Gilbert G. Rosenberge, Jr. (P)

Clark Lewis (V); Kent

Pettit (Church Intern)

Jonesborough – Becky

Brunson (P)

Keystone –

Kingsport, First – Lisa

Pecorini (P); Greeley

Wells (P); Wade Collins (V); Adam Denison (V)

Leesburg –

Liberty –

Magill Memorial –

Meadowview –

Morristown, First – Elizabeth Campbell (P); Cheryl

Brimer (P)

Mountain City –

Mt. Hermon –

New Bethel –

New Ebenezer –

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| New Market – | Jessie (P); Ben Chambers | Walkertown – |
| New Providence – | (A) | Watauga Avenue – Peggy |
| Newport – Jonathan Pflug (P) | Rosemont – | Farley (P); Karen Foote |
| Oakland – | Salem – | (V) |
| Old Kingsport – | Shady Valley – | Waverly Road – Charles |
| Philadelphia – | Shenandoah – | Foster (P) |
| Piney Flats – | St. Paul – Mary Miller Ayers | Weaver Union – |
| Preston Hills – Suzanne | (P) | West Ridge – |
| Burow (P) | Strawberry Plains – Robert | Whitesburg – |
| Reedy Creek, Bristol – | Redfern (P) | Windsor Avenue – Anthony |
| Reedy Creek, Kingsport – | Tabernacle – Anna Maddox | Barnett (P); Charles |
| Mike Culbertson (P); | (P) | McCary (A) |
| Tom Carroll (V) | Timber Ridge – Beth Morrell | Zion – |
| Rock Creek – | (P); Oliver Burkey (V) | |
| Rogersville – Melissa Rogers | Tri City Korean – | |

PRESBYTERY STAFF: Craig Bell, Kim Hammond, Susan Smith, Paulette Thompson

COMMITTEE CHAIRS: Bonnie Agner (Presbyterian Women); Don Brown (Administration & Planning); Charles Brumley (Holston Camp & Retreat Center); Jane Boyd (Institutions); Ted Hagen, Sr. (Church Development/Evangelism)

COMMISSIONED LAY PASTORS: Calvin Ballinger, Jim Foote, Anna Maddox, Jeff Morelock (West Ridge), Jim Morgan, Victor Price (Tabernacle), Cheryl Rice (Vice Moderator), Gene Smith, Jim Swoager (Cedarview), Kathleen Wright

CANDIDATES/INQUIRERS:

DIRECTOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

VISITING MINISTERS: Tom Bier (The Journey); James Carter (St. Paul/Whitesburg)

YOUTH COUNCIL: Jennifer Rembert (Erwin); Donna Hunter (Erwin); Jessica Reese (Jonesborough)

OTHER VISITORS: Terry Newland, (Synod of Living Waters, Executive), Jovanna Emerson (Evergreen Presbyterian); Ryan Jackson, (Campus Ministry, International Student Intern); Norie Anne Young (Grandfather Home)

Installation: Having been absent from the December meeting, Moderator Beth Yarborough and Vice Moderator Cheryl Rice were installed by Rich Fifield.

Consent Agenda

The Moderator presented the Consent Agenda which included:

- Approve enrollment
- Declaration of quorum
- Approve requests for excused absences
- Approve giving visiting ministers voice
- Approve Minutes of the December 5, 2005 Stated Meeting
- Appointment of Committee on Thanks: Jim Swoager, Karen Foote
- Appointment of the Bills & Overture Committee: Dan Donaldson, David Hale
- And, Adoption of the Docket

The Consent Agenda was approved.

Declaration Of New Business – None

Terry Newland, Synod of Living Waters Executive, was introduced to say a few words and bring greetings from the other presbyteries.

Stated Clerk's Report: Rich Fifield presented the Stated Clerk's report.

INFORMATION:

1. Pursuant to the *Book of Order* G-11.0100b. requiring that the number of resident ministers entitled to vote in the presbytery not be greater than the number of elders so entitled, as of December 31, 2005 Holston Presbytery had 66 resident ministers, with 69 elders so entitled, thus there is no imbalance that needs to be redressed. (See attached Roll of Ministers)
2. The *Book of Order* D-5.0206b. reads that: *The stated clerk of the governing body shall keep a current roster of those members of the permanent judicial commission whose terms have expired within the past six years. The names shall be arranged alphabetically within classes beginning with the most recent class. Whenever the permanent judicial commission reports its inability to obtain a quorum, the stated clerk shall immediately select, by rotation from that roster, a sufficient number of former members of the permanent judicial commission to constitute a quorum. The stated clerk shall report the roster annually to the governing body.*

The current roster of members of the permanent judicial commission whose terms have expired within the past six years are:

Class of 2004

Dick Johnson (Johnson City, First) (E)
Doris Carson (Waverly Road) (E)

Class of 2002

David Hale (M)
Bill McRee (Bristol, First) (E)

Class of 2000

Tom Wade (M - HR)

3. Received a letter of appreciation from Clifton Kirkpatrick, Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, for Holston Presbytery's full support of the 2005 per capita apportionment.
4. The 2004 Minutes of Holston Presbytery were approved without exception by the Synod of Living Waters.
5. In accordance with G-11.0416, the Rev. John Mitchell was removed from the roll of active ministers, at his request, effective January 1, 2006, and dismissed to the Orthodox Church in America.
6. Received the minutes of the Commission to Install the Rev. Ike Brighton as associate pastor of the Waverly Road Church. (see attached)
7. Received the minutes of the Commission to Install the Rev. J. Barron Hopper as pastor of the Preston Hills Church. (see attached)
8. Received the minutes of the Commission to Install the Rev. Brian Wyatt as pastor of the Timber Ridge Church. (see attached)

9. Received the minutes of the The Journey New Church Development Commission, January 17, 2006. (see attached)
10. Received reports from the Synod of Living Waters Commissioners. (see attached)
11. Received an Overture Regarding the Montreat Historical Foundation from the Session of First Church, Bristol and referred it to the March 4, 2006 Bills and Overtures Committee. (see attached)
12. Received a Resolution Calling for Prayer for Commissioners and Delegates to the General Assembly from the Session of Waverly Road Church and referred it to the March 4, 2006 Bills and Overtures Committee. (see attached)

RECOMMENDATIONS: None

Roll of Ministers as of December 31, 2005

Active (Resident) Ministers:

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| Sharon Amstutz | Yale Gunn | J. Wiley Prugh |
| Earle Barron | Ted Hagen, II | Steve Rembert |
| Gary Bement | David L. Hale | Errol Rohr |
| Ike Brighton | David C. Hambrick, Jr. | George L. Rolling |
| Elmon Brown | Barron Hopper | Raymond Saunders |
| Margaret Burkey | Ira G. Howard | Edgar P. Shackelford |
| David Cagle | Ralph Hutchison | Angus Shaw |
| Gregory Cartwright | William D. Hyers | John Shuck |
| Alan Chapman | Greg Jordan | David H. Sims |
| H. Martin Christian | R. Gary Kelly | Andrew E. Spence, Jr. |
| Dan Clark | C. Phillip Kestner | Fred Foy Strang |
| Harrell L Cobb | Mark Knisley | Charles S. Sydnor |
| Conrad Crow | Robert Lowry | Harrison Taylor |
| Dan Donaldson | John L. Martin | Gordon Turnbull |
| Charles W Echols | Dennis Maxey | Fred Walker |
| Baron Eliason | James Mays | Russ Weekley |
| John H. Everett | James S. McClanahan, Jr | Stephen R. Weisz |
| Richard L Fifield | John Mitchell | David Welch |
| Craig Foster | Russell Morgan | Davis Whitesides |
| Donald Frederick | Don R. Muncie | Brian Wyatt |
| Bill S. Goforth | Charles Murphy | Beth Yarborough |
| James L. Gray | J. Thomas Phillips | |

Active (Non-resident) Ministers:

William E. Allen
Robert L Armistead
Richard C Austin
John Campbell
Sung Wook Chung
Catherine Clasen

Clarence Durham
G. Barrett Gilmer
William B. Herd
Lewis Lancaster
James Martin
David Miller

William Olson
Gradye Parsons
Richard Ray
Thomas M. L. Wade

**Member-At-Large
(Resident):**

Payne Cave
Terry Sutherland
Katherine White
Ray White

**Ministers Laboring in
Holston**

Robert Noble

**Ministers of Other
Denominations:**

Thomas M. Bier
Daniel Blevins
Paul Brewer
James L. Carter
Calvin Metcalf
Joe Moran
Thomas R. Peake
Robert Rainwater
J. B. Shelton
Warren Stewart
Kenneth Verran

**Member-At-Large (Non-
Resident):**

John Dowling
Glenn Scruggs
William Young

Roll of Certified Christian Educators as of December 31, 2005

Craig Bell
Ike Brighton

Craig Foster
Jim Kirkpatrick

Russ Weekley

Roll of Commissioned Lay Pastors as of December 31, 2005

Level I:

Tracy Cagle
John Catts
Mike Culbertson
Cliff Dameron
Christine Faust
Harold Finley
James Graham
Bob Grimes
John Long
David Petke
Mark Plemmons

Cheryl Rice
Harold Rogers
Ruby Rogers
Jim Skillen
Gene Smith
Frances Waters
Kathleen Wright

Level III:

Carol Baird
Calvin Ballinger
Tom Burleson
Jim Foote

Mary Lee Harmon
Chip Herndon, IV
David Light
Anna Maddox
Bobby Meadows
Jeff Morelock
Victor Price
John Snyder
Jim Swoager
Amanda Wise
Scott Wise

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION of Holston Presbytery to install **Reverend Ira A. (Ike) Brighton** as the Associate Pastor of the *Waverly Road Presbyterian Church, Kingsport, TN*.

The Commission, according to the appointment of Holston Presbytery, met at Waverly Road Presbyterian Church on Sunday, January 15, 2006 at 3:00 p.m. Minister members included Rich Fifield, Craig Foster and Dan Clark. Elders included Barbara Kelly (Bethel, Kingsport), Bob Millard (First, Bristol) and Candace Sass (Waverly Road).

Rich Fifield was elected moderator and clerk and opened the meeting with prayer. A quorum was declared. Responsibilities and procedures for the Service of Installation were reviewed, and the Commission recessed to be reconvened in the presence of the congregation at 3:00 p.m. with an agreement to adjourn at the benediction.

Elder Barbara Kelly gave the Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession. The service included Scripture readings from 1 Samuel 3:1-10 by Elder Bob Millard and a sermon "Speak, For Your Servant Is Listening" and Prayer of Dedication by Reverend Dan Clark. The Statement of Purpose, Prayer of Installation and Charge to the Congregation were delivered by Reverend Rich Fifield. Elder Candace Sass propounded the Constitutional Questions to the pastor-elect and the congregation. All questions being answered in the affirmative, Reverend Brighton was installed as the Associate Pastor of Waverly Road Presbyterian Church agreeably to the Word of God and the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Members of the presbytery and others then welcomed the newly installed minister into their fellowship in the ministry of the Word. The pastoral charge was given by Reverend Craig Foster.

The benediction was given by Rev. Ike Brighton to close the service. After the service, officers and members of the church gave to their new Pastor an appropriate expression of cordial reception and affectionate regard.

Signed by Moderator/Clerk: *Rich Fifield*

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION of Holston Presbytery to install **Reverend J. Barron Hopper** as the Pastor of the *Preston Hills Presbyterian Church, Kingsport, TN*.

The Commission, according to the appointment of Holston Presbytery, met at Preston Hills Presbyterian Church on Sunday, January 22, 2006 at 4:30 p.m. Minister members included Rich Fifield, James McClanahan, Earle Barron, Steve Rembert and Beecher Mathes (co-pastor, Covenant Presbyterian, Athens, GA). Elders included Sandy Arner (First Presbyterian, Johnson City), Randy Cook (First Presbyterian, Bristol), and Suzanne Burow (Preston Hills).

Rich Fifield was elected moderator and clerk and opened the meeting with prayer. A quorum was declared. Responsibilities and procedures for the Service of Installation were reviewed, and the Commission recessed to be reconvened in the presence of the congregation at 4:30 p.m. with an agreement to adjourn at the benediction.

Elder Sandy Arner gave the invocation and scripture readings from Ephesians 1:1-14 were given by Randy Cook. Reverend James McClanahan's sermon was entitled "God's Gift of the Church." The

statement of purpose and constitutional questions for the pastor-elect were delivered by Reverend Rich Fifield. Elder Suzanne Burow propounded the constitutional questions to the congregation. Prayer and the Declaration of Installation were done by Reverend Beecher Mathes. The pastoral charge was given by Reverend Earle Barron and congregational charge by Reverend Steve Rembert. All questions being answered in the affirmative, Reverend Hopper was installed as the Pastor of Preston Hills Presbyterian Church agreeably to the Word of God and the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Members of the presbytery and others then welcomed the newly installed minister into their fellowship in the ministry of the Word. The closing prayer and benediction were given by Rev. Hopper to close the service. After the service, officers and members of the church gave to their new Pastor an appropriate expression of cordial reception and affectionate regard.

Signed by Moderator/Clerk: *Rich Fifield*

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION of Holston Presbytery to install **Reverend Brian C. Wyatt** as the Pastor of the *Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church, Greeneville, TN.*

The Commission, according to the appointment of Holston Presbytery, met at Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church on Sunday, February 12, 2006 at 3:30 p.m. Minister members included Rich Fifield, Beth Yarborough and Catherine Clasen. Elders included Celeste Crow (Salem) and Charles Brumley (Timber Ridge).

Rich Fifield was elected moderator and clerk and opened the meeting with prayer. A quorum was declared. Responsibilities and procedures for the Service of Installation were reviewed, and the Commission recessed to be reconvened in the presence of the congregation at 4:00 p.m. with an agreement to adjourn at the benediction.

Elder Celeste Crow gave the Call to Worship and Opening Prayer. Prayer of Confession and Declaration of Forgiveness was done by Reverend Beth Yarborough. The service included Scripture readings from Exodus 3:1-12, Psalm 27, Hebrews 11:1-3, 24-29 and Romans 12:4-8, 11. Reverend Clasen read from Luke 12:22-32 and delivered a sermon. The Statement of the Ministry of the Church and Constitutional Questions to the Pastor were delivered by Reverend Fifield. The Constitutional Questions to the Congregation were delivered by Elder Charles Brumley. Prayer, Declaration of Installation and Charge to the Pastor were done by Reverend Fifield. Reverend Yarborough delivered the Charge to the Congregation. All questions being answered in the affirmative, Reverend Wyatt was installed as the Pastor of Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church agreeably to the Word of God and the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Members of the presbytery and others then welcomed the newly installed minister into their fellowship in the ministry of the Word. The Eucharist was celebrated with Reverend Clasen, Reverend Yarborough, Elders Charles Brumley and Celeste Crow serving those present.

The benediction was given by Rev. Brian Wyatt to close the service. After the service, officers and members of the church gave to their new Pastor an appropriate expression of cordial reception and affectionate regard.

Signed by Moderator/Clerk: *Rich Fifield*

**The Journey Administrative Commission
Minutes – January 17, 2006**

The Meeting was called to order by Don Muncie at 6:30 p.m. Rich Fifield opened the meeting with prayer. Those in attendance were: Don Muncie, Rich Fifield, Jerry Gehre, Kim Hammond, Wendy Owens, Tom Bier, Scott Wise. The November 29, 2005 minutes were approved.

Business:

Pastor's Report:

Tom gave a report on the December events for The Journey. Some highlights were the Christmas and New Years events. Tom also added in his report the start of ALPHA in January at the Gray community center. The events will be on Thursday Nights at 6:30 p.m. and will include a meal with each event. Kids are welcome to this event as well and will have other activities during the program.

Items of Discussion:

Rich presented the year end report. The report included the 2005 giving's which reached 80% of the 2005 goal. It also includes an undesignated reserve of \$13,550.55 for the year 2005, the planned budget for 2006 and the contribution needs for 2006.

Other Business:

The commissioners were interested in knowing the attendance and contribution relationships from the start date to present for The Journey. No defined data had been put together; however, Wendy had the raw information needed to put together a chart for the commissioners, and she will E-mail the charts to each commissioner the next day. The Chart gives the commissioners data on attendances, giving, and the relationship between each.

The commissioners also discussed the charter attendance needs to insure a strong church start, and the time frame in which this should take place. It is hoped that by the Spring of 2007, The Journey can become a chartered church for Holston Presbytery, and have around 100 to 150 people in regular attendance each week.

The Meeting was adjourned in prayer by Rich Fifield.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2006 at The Journey's Office at 6:30 p.m.

Scott Wise, Clerk

Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus, the Christ.

I am grateful for the opportunity to attend the meeting of the Synod of Living Waters, held in Trussville, Alabama on January 30 & 31 as one of the Commissioners for Holston. During 2005 I served on our synod's Presbytery Ministry Partnership Committee, and will continue to serve on that committee in the coming year.

The meeting of Synod began with worship led by Rev. Chris Jones, the host pastor of Grace PCUSA, assisted by Rev. Erica Durham, and Rev. Tom Evans. The business meeting followed with reports from the various committees and institutions. The three working committees of Synod met briefly to organize their work for the coming year. The "Living Waters for the World" project continues to gain momentum and is clearly a central focus for our synod. The launching of "Clean Water U" has greatly accelerated the installation of clean water units around the world, notably this year along the Gulf Coast of the USA.

Regarding the Partnership Committee initiatives, the "First Call" events sponsored by our synod will be continued, but some restructuring is in work. No other partnership initiatives are active at this time, although a proposal for a "youth and young adult ministries" program is reported to be "in work". Last year, the Synod approved a relationship with the Synod of the Peninsula (Mexico). This year, representatives from the Synod of the Peninsula were present to report on that work, and were warmly welcomed by those present. Notably the Synod of the Peninsula has established a goal of doubling its size within the next 10 years.

The worship, the manner in which the business was conducted and the business itself clearly communicated the connectional nature of our denomination. The business was conducted in a forthright and efficient manner. This was again very affirming for me as so often the divisions, the factions, the disputes and the bureaucratic inefficiencies of the institutional church claim the media spotlight.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. H. Martin Christian

Report to Presbytery
Annual Meeting, Synod of Living Waters
Grace Presbyterian Church
Trussville, Alabama
January 30-31, 2006

Business items of note receiving attention at the synod meeting were:

- Rev. Tom Pickering, Pastor of Cordova Presbyterian Church, Memphis, TN, was elected moderator of the synod for 2006.
- Mr. Patrick Smith, an elder in the First Presbyterian Church, Sheffield, AL, was elected vice moderator for 2006.
- A budget for the synod of \$1,080,841 was adopted for 2006. This is a reduction of \$12,184 from the 2005 budget of \$1,093,025.
- A motion from the floor that \$22,500 surplus from the 2005 synod budget be donated for relief

efforts from the affects of the 2005 Gulf Coast hurricanes was approved.

- The Living Waters for the World 2006 budget of \$291,600 was also approved.

Thanks to the efficient and detailed work of our presbytery stated clerk and office staff, the 2005 Holston Presbytery Meeting Minutes were approved without exception.

A report was given by representatives of the Synod of the Peninsula (Mexico) with which a partnership was approved at the 2005 Synod of Living Waters meeting. A DVD of the report is available at the Holston Presbytery office for loan to those interested.

Retiring Presbyterian Voice Editor. Mrs. Jane Hines was honored following the Monday evening meal. The new Voice editor, the Rev. Janet Hilley was introduced and welcomed by the synod.

It was reported that 23 water purification systems were installed in developing countries during 2005 by teams from various parts of the U.S. who had trained for the tasks at the synod's Clean Water U training center in Oxford, MS. This brought the total number of community system installations through the Living Waters for the World mission project to 49 at the end of 2005. Twenty six units had previously been installed since the mission project began in 1992. Installation of two additional in-home water purification units in the Viking Mountain Community of Holston Presbytery brought the total number of these systems in use there to 16.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Carroll, Elder Commissioner
2006 Meeting of Synod of Living Waters

Overture regarding the Historical Foundation at Montreat from First Church, Bristol

WHEREAS the Historical Foundation at Montreat contains a remarkable and exceptionally rich collection of materials on the history of the Presbyterian Church and the worldwide Reformed tradition, and houses resources that enable Presbyterians to understand the roots of our Presbyterian history; and

WHEREAS the Historical Foundation at Montreat has legally existed as a North Carolina nonprofit corporation under the name *The Historical Foundation of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches, Incorporated*, and still is legally existing at the present time; and

WHEREAS this is the primary archive of Presbyterianism in the South, including not only the records from several denominations and PCUSA governing bodies (congregations, presbyteries, and synods) but also valuable personal and family papers that reflect the life and mission of the church both here and abroad; and

WHEREAS the facility is well designed for its purpose, and is visited each year by several thousand persons, including researchers, scholars and congregational historians; and

WHEREAS several thousand congregations and individual Presbyterians have entrusted to its care their local and family records, papers, manuscripts and artifacts; and

WHEREAS the Historical Foundation is located on the campus of the Montreat Conference Center, which is the largest conference facility of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and offers a recognized gathering place for Presbyterians across the nation; and

WHEREAS the Committee on the Office of the General Assembly has determined that, because of the ongoing decrease in the per capita income to the Office of the General Assembly, the Historical Foundation at Montreat should be closed and its holdings distributed between the Philadelphia Presbyterian Historical

Society office and Columbia Seminary, with the present Historical Foundation becoming a museum under the management of the Mountain Retreat Association; and

WHEREAS such an arrangement would destroy a precious heritage that has great potential for the life and ministry of the total church, as well as partner churches around the world; and

WHEREAS it should be known that if the Montreat Historical Foundation ever ceases to be used for its current purposes, a difficult legal situation could result because the land and the buildings of the Montreat Historical Foundation have separate origination issues including reversionary clauses and the ownership of such will be unclear since the General Assembly has never acted to legally transfer the property from *The Historical Foundation of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches, Incorporated* to any other legal entity; and

WHEREAS inadequate time, limited information, lack of creative alternatives, restricted involvement by the greater church and the Friends of the Historical Foundation, and a flawed feasibility study regarding funding lead to a premature decision to close the Historical Foundation at Montreat when other options do exist but have yet to be explored; and

WHEREAS the Minutes of the General Assembly of 2004, Part I of the Journal under the report of the Historical Society and Item 03-24 states that the appointed task force to study the situation of the Historical Foundation will report to the General Assembly in 2006, and that this task force was never allowed to complete its work including making a final report with recommendations and was dismissed before reporting to the 2006 General Assembly by the Committee on the Office of the General Assembly;

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT HOLSTON PRESBYTERY REQUESTS THE 2006 GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA) TO DIRECT:

- 1. that the closure plans and the dispersion of the collections and assets of the Historical Foundation at Montreat cease immediately, that any and all assets including endowments of the Historical Foundation at Montreat which may have been removed since 1983 be returned, and that the Historical Foundation continue its operations at the 2004 levels of service; and**
- 2. that new ways be found to fund this valuable institution and retain its ministry to the family of Presbyterian and Reformed churches that is separate from the current per capita income of the General Assembly; and**
- 3. that the General Assembly transfer oversight and administration for the Montreat Historical Foundation from the Department of History and the Committee of the Office of the General Assembly to a separate Board of Directors of fifteen persons who will serve in three year rotating classes, and who are deeply devoted to the continuing ministry of the Historical Foundation and who will be immediately approved by the 2006 General Assembly and who will report thereafter to the General Assembly at its meetings;**
- 4. that, upon approval of this Overture, the Board of the Friends of The Historical Foundation at Montreat, Inc. act as an advisor to the General Assembly Nominating Committee for said new Board of Directors of The Montreat Historical Foundation, and that the new Board of Directors shall include a majority representation from the four Synods most directly served by the Montreat Historical Foundation (the Synods of the Mid-Atlantic, South Atlantic, Living Waters, and The Sun), and that the nominees shall be elected by the General Assembly Council at their first meeting following the 217th General Assembly; [*Presbytery Stated Clerk's Note: All references to "The Montreat Historical Foundation" intend and refer to The Historical Foundation at Montreat, Inc.*]**

5. that said Board of Directors include representatives of the presbyteries specifically served by the Historical Foundation and who have a passion for and the ability to save this institution for the greater church and so that it may be accountable to its major constituent presbyteries, their congregations and members;
6. that said Board of Directors be given two years in which to assure the General Assembly that there are both adequate endowment and ongoing funding commitments necessary to support the Historical Foundation, and that during this time the Historical Foundation be supported by funds that have been specifically pledged for the development of the Historical Foundation, as well as those reserve funds which had originally been designated for the Historical Foundation;
7. that the plan and agreements for funding, governance and continuing the ministry of the Historical Foundation at Montreat be presented to the 2008 General Assembly for approval with appropriate changes in the By-Laws and other organizational documents to be made as well as appointments to the Board of Directors recommended;
8. that the new Historical Foundation work cooperatively with the Presbyterian Historical Society in exchange of information and in building a common data base for the collections of materials of Presbyterian and Reformed history at both institutions, as well as at Presbyterian (USA) seminaries.

**Resolution Calling for Prayer for Commissioners and Delegates
To the 217th General Assembly**

WHEREAS, the church is instructed to pray for the presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit upon those who are called to service and upon the mission of the Church (*Book of Order, G-6.0105*); and

WHEREAS, Holston Presbytery has elected Elder Tom Burleson and the Rev. George Rolling as commissioners and Ms. Myra Shanks as Youth Advisory Delegate to the 217th meeting of the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon all commissioners and delegates to the 217th meeting of the General Assembly to prayerfully and faithfully prepare themselves for service in the church; and

WHEREAS, presbyters are not simply to reflect the will of the people, but rather to seek together to find and represent the will of Christ (*Book of Order, G-4.0301d*);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Session of Waverly Road Presbyterian Church calls the members of the churches of Holston Presbytery to faithfully pray for the sure and clear guidance of the Holy Spirit for our commissioners and delegate, and for all commissioners and delegates, to the 217th General Assembly.

Adopted by the Session of Waverly Road Presbyterian Church this 19th
day of February in the year of our Lord 2006.

The Rev. Dan Clark, Moderator
Carol Dillon, Clerk of Session

Holston Presbytery - Treasurer's Report
Balance Sheet - As of December 31, 2005

| | <u>Dec 31, 05</u> | <u>Dec 31, 04</u> |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| 10000 · CHECKING - CITIZENS BANK (Checking - Citizens Bank) | | |
| 10101 · Jonesborough Ministers Con Ed. | 262.51 | 62.51 |
| 10111 · Select Monies | 55,980.24 | 19,199.22 |
| 10113 · Advanced Unified Giving | 0.00 | 450.00 |
| 10160 · Westminster PC - Lease Monies | 16,390.82 | 10,287.81 |
| 10170 · Fairmount Property | 2,767.51 | 528.67 |
| 10171 · Fairmount Deposits - Renters | 1,100.00 | 600.00 |
| 10211 · Hattie Farthing Fund | 1,738.51 | 880.58 |
| 10410 · Frontera De Cristo | 12,377.07 | 13,693.79 |
| 10415 · Brazil Mission Trip | 4,832.31 | -5,373.94 |
| 10416 · WWM - Clean Water U Scholarship | 0.00 | 900.00 |
| 10420 · 3 Cents-a-Meal Local | 1,992.22 | -2,215.11 |
| 10421 · 3 Cents-a-Meal International | 231.51 | 2,193.27 |
| 10531 · Youth Ministry Endowment | 1,000.00 | 4,250.00 |
| 10640 · EIHN - Restoring Creation | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| 10650 · Viking Mtn Water Project | 0.00 | 1,040.00 |
| 10712 · Ministry - Hawkins County | 1,500.00 | 0.00 |
| 10714 · Church Hill - Undesignated | 500.00 | 0.00 |
| 10752 · New Church Development/Designated | 25,000.00 | 50,000.00 |
| 11810 · Devries Scholarship Fund | 628.85 | 628.85 |
| 11861 · Williams Capital Fund Interest | 1,712.37 | 1,343.33 |
| 11862 · Williams Program Fund Interest | 3,606.54 | 2,672.03 |
| 11910 · Honoraria - FIFIELD | 2,979.73 | 3,524.84 |
| 14000 · Grant Program Restricted | 3,107.79 | 13,448.16 |
| 15000 · Charitable Gift Annuity | -1,333.12 | 0.00 |
| | | |
| 20000 · Citizens Bank | | |
| 20210 · Pastoral Care | 864.79 | -773.94 |
| 20531 · Youth Triennium | 571.20 | 569.33 |
| 20710 · Church Development | 301.81 | 300.79 |
| 20750 · New Church Development | 2,880.43 | 2,879.11 |
| 20780 · Evangelism | 8,679.51 | 8,646.70 |
| 20911 · Equipment Reserve | 674.40 | 672.20 |
| 21810 · Devries Scholarship Fund a | 1,924.89 | 1,918.51 |
| 21820 · Grigsby Scholarship | 12,362.09 | 10,431.26 |
| 21830 · Braziel Scholarship | 748.58 | 3,225.04 |
| 21840 · Dixon Scholarship | 8,036.46 | 7,428.83 |
| 21881 · Ninth Street Loan Fund - Hold | 1,802.83 | 200.00 |
| Total 20000 · Citizens Bank | 38,846.99 | 35,497.83 |
| | | |
| 10000 · CHECKING - CITIZENS BANK | 247,587.60 | 232,637.13 |
| | | |
| Total 10000 · CHECKING - CITIZENS BANK | <u>424,309.45</u> | <u>387,748.97</u> |
| | | |
| 30000 · PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION | | |
| 30211 · Hattie Farthing Fund | 33,364.19 | 33,364.19 |
| 30710 · Church Development | 28,271.54 | 28,271.54 |
| 30730 · Small Church Fund | 181,712.94 | 181,712.94 |
| 30750 · New Church Development | 181,696.00 | 181,696.00 |
| 31820 · Grigsby Scholarship | 73,655.45 | 73,655.45 |
| 31830 · Braziel Scholarship | 42,752.00 | 42,752.00 |
| 31840 · Dixon Scholarship | 30,952.10 | 30,952.10 |
| 31870 · Pattie Bushong -Carmack Fund | 1,852.42 | 1,852.42 |
| 31880 · Robinson Fund | 658.65 | 658.65 |
| 31881 · Ninth Street Loan Fund | 15,723.91 | 23,723.91 |
| 31882 · Ninth Street Scholarship | 45,196.38 | 45,196.38 |
| 31883 · Tusculum College Endowment | 98,323.14 | 98,323.14 |
| Total 30000 · PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION | <u>734,158.72</u> | <u>742,158.72</u> |
| | | |
| Total Checking/Savings | 1,158,468.17 | 1,129,907.69 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 1,158,468.17 | 1,129,907.69 |

Holston Presbytery
Unified Mission Budget
January through December 2005

| <u>Budget</u> | <u>Jan - Dec 05</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>\$ Over</u> |
|---|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Income | | | |
| 60160 · Unified Mission Designated Fund | 57,414.60 | 236,315.61 | -178,901.01 |
| 60500 · Unified Monies | 628,837.95 | 623,497.00 | 5,340.95 |
| 61905 · Interest Income | <u>6,418.53</u> | <u>3,600.00</u> | <u>2,818.53</u> |
| Total Income | 692,671.08 | 863,412.61 | -170,741.53 |
| Expense | | | |
| 70100 · Presbytery Council/Governing Body | 95,591.35 | 113,118.00 | -17,526.65 |
| 70200 · Committee on Ministry | 469.76 | 4,000.00 | -3,530.24 |
| 70300 · Committee Prep for Ministry | 9,128.78 | 11,800.00 | -2,671.22 |
| 70400 · WW Mission Committee | 300.00 | 2,700.00 | -2,400.00 |
| 70500 · Congregational Life Committee | 8,991.75 | 12,800.00 | -3,808.25 |
| 70600 · EIHN Committee | 1,500.00 | 4,500.00 | -3,000.00 |
| 70700 · Church Development & Evangelism | 14,272.91 | 133,040.00 | -118,767.09 |
| 70800 · Committee on Institutions | 52,042.00 | 52,500.00 | -458.00 |
| 70900 · Administration & Planning Committee | 373,353.53 | 397,193.65 | -23,840.12 |
| 71100 · Stewardship & Budget Committee | 2,828.37 | 4,500.00 | -1,671.63 |
| 71200 · Holston Camp & Retreat Center | 88,000.07 | 88,000.00 | 0.07 |
| 71300 · Campus Ministry | 31,400.04 | 31,400.00 | 0.04 |
| 71400 · Trustees | <u>20.00</u> | <u>100.00</u> | <u>-80.00</u> |
| Total Expense | 677,898.56 | 855,651.65 | -177,753.09 |
| Net Income | 14,772.52 | 7,760.96 | 7,011.56 |

10:15 AM - The meeting was dismissed to Small Group time with Youth Council representatives and members of Youth Ministry Committee as leaders: Jessica Reese, George Rolling, Clark Lewis, Donna Hunter, Jennifer Rembert.

11:00 AM - The meeting was reconvened.

Council Report: Dan Donaldson

Present: Bonnie Agner, Jane Boyd, Don Brown, Charles Brumley, Mary Lee Harmon, Chuck King, George Rolling, Harrison Taylor, Beth Yarborough, Cheryl Rice, Rich Fifield, Kim Hammond, Paulette Thompson, Susan Smith, Craig Bell.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the office of the Presbytery by acting moderator Beth Yarborough in the absence of Tom Burleson. The meeting was opened with prayer. Introductions were made.

Reports/Recommendations to Council:

Stated Clerk's Report..... Rich Fifield

Session Minutes were reviewed in accordance with the *Book of Order*, G-10.0301:

The following Session Minutes were reviewed without exception: Bethany, Bethel (Kingsport), Blountville, First (Bristol), Cedar Creek, Cedarview, Cold Spring, Colonial Heights, Covenant, Cross Anchor, First (Elizabethton), Erwin, First (Greeneville), First (Jefferson City), First (Johnson City), Jennie Moore, Jonesborough, First (Kingsport),

First (Morristown), Mountain City, Mt. Hermon, New Bethel, New Market, Newport, New Providence, Old Kingsport, Reedy Creek (Bristol), Rock Creek, Rogersville, Salem, St. Paul, Strawberry Plains, Timber Ridge, Walkertown, Waverly Road, Whitesburg, Windsor Avenue.

The following Session Minutes were reviewed with exception: Hebron, Magill Memorial, Preston Hills, Watauga Avenue, West Ridge

The following Session Minutes were not reviewed in 2005: Amity, Bethel (Dandridge), Chuckey, Clinton, Cove Creek, Grays Chapel, Hopewell, Keystone, Leesburg, Liberty, Meadowview, New Ebenezer, Oakland, Philadelphia, Piney Flats, Reedy Creek (Kingsport), Rosemont, Shady Valley, Shenandoah, Tabernacle, Weaver Union, Zion

The Treasurer's Report was given by Kim Hammond.

Vice-Moderator's Report: Cheryl Rice reported the worship for the presbytery meeting will include Rev. Barron Hopper and youth from Youth/Young Adult Ministry as liturgists. Communion will be served.

Stewardship & Budget Committee: Rich Fifield

The following three recommendations for balancing the 2006 General Mission Budget of \$864,122 were all approved.

1. Transfer \$25,000.00 from the New Church Development Fund (acct. #10752) to Church Development and Evangelism.
2. Transfer \$50,000.00 from the New Church Development Fund (acct. #30750) to Church Development and Evangelism Committee, if needed. (This transfer was originally authorized in the 2004 General Mission Budget and again in the 2005 General Mission Budget, but was not used in either year.)
3. Put the proceeds of the sale of property (previously approved at the September 6, 2005 stated presbytery meeting and estimated at \$625,000) in the Grant Program, generating an upfront \$62,500 grant, plus a guaranteed 5.5% rate of return (estimated at \$34,375 annually) for seven years; and use the 2006 proceeds (estimated at \$85,000) to balance the 2006 General Mission Budget.

Background: the Grant Program enables churches and other charitable organizations to use their existing resources to provide funds for projects on a guaranteed basis. An upfront grant is given directly to the church or organization up to 10% of the contributed funds. This grant can then be used for whatever the church or organization determines it is needed for at that time. There is currently a 5.5% guaranteed rate of return on the invested funds that are held for a period of seven years. At the end of the seven years, the original value of the funds will be returned to the church.

To date, nearly \$1.5 million in "pooled" funds have been received into the Grant Program and nearly \$150,000 in grants were awarded to these churches and organizations in 2005, and over \$75,000 in guaranteed annual rates of return will be given on the "pooled" funds for seven years.

Future Dates for Council and Presbytery meetings in 2006:

Council

May 23, 2006
August 29, 2006
November 14, 2006

Presbytery

June 3, 2006 – Tusculum College, Greeneville
September 12, 2006 – Holston Camp
December 5, 2006 – First, Elizabethton

George Rolling reported that five members of the Youth Council would like to do Small Groups at Presbytery. Youth at the upcoming Senior High Retreat would like to ask permission for Communion to be served at this retreat. George asked Council for approval of this action. Approved.

Craig Bell reported on the status of Wildcat Lake at Banner Elk which has been drained. The city and institutions in the area are negotiating the use and maintenance of the lake.

There were no actions referred to Council by Presbytery at the December meeting. The Draft Copy of the Handout Packet for the March 4, 2006 stated meeting of presbytery at First Presbyterian Church, Jefferson City, including proposed docket and committee reports to presbytery, was reviewed and approved with no changes.

There being no other business, Beth closed the meeting with prayer at 7:50 p.m. The Minutes Committee met to approve the minutes. The next meeting of Council will be Tuesday, May 23, 2006.

Respectfully submitted, Paulette H. Thompson

Trustees Report

INFORMATION: The Trustees met on Thursday, February 9, 2006 and took the following actions:

- Verified that Holston Presbytery does have property and liability insurance coverage as required by the *Book of Order*, G-11.0308
- Reviewed the property and investments of Holston Presbytery.
- Reviewed the Tennessee Corporation Annual Report

RECOMMENDATIONS: None

Presbyterian Women: Bonnie Agner reported on upcoming events and encouraged ministers to announce these events to their congregations.

Church Development & Evangelism

INFORMATION:

The following actions were taken at the committee meetings on January 31, 2006 and February 12, 2006:

1. \$1,000 was granted to the New Market Church toward their cost to repaint the sanctuary. Funds are to come from the Virginia Williams Fund.
2. Weaver/Keystone reports were reviewed and the support previously approved was continued.
3. A covenant for support funds to Preston Hills over a five-year period was approved. The support to begin upon the approval of the Covenant Agreement.

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|--------|----------|
| Year 1 | \$ 7,000 |
| Year 2 | \$ 7,000 |
| Year 3 | \$ 5,000 |
| Year 4 | \$ 2,500 |
| Year 5 | \$ 1,250 |

4. The Clinton Church was granted, from budgeted funds, \$225 per month through June 1, 2006 to provide pulpit supply. The church has been requested to provide Presbytery with their plans to grow to independent support.

RECOMMENDATIONS: None

Holston Camp & Retreat Center Committee: Charles Brumley and Craig Bell reported. Craig reported upcoming events, on the Wildcat Lake situation with the city of Banner Elk and the Edgar Tufts Memorial Association and that Camp staff would be doing a mission trip this summer.

INFORMATION:

Camp Calendar: Saturday - Sunday, April 29-30, First Timers Camp for all children currently in 1st - 5th grades who have never been to camp. They attend with a parent or adult. The cost is \$50 per person. Each person receives a free camp T-shirt.

Summer Staff Hiring is going on right now and the spaces are filling up fast. If you are in college and love your Lord, like being in the out of doors, and like working with children and youth, then this is the place for you. Salary of \$1,500 plus FREE room and board all summer. Time commitment: Staff training from June 1-9th. Camp will end July 29th. You can get an application, reference forms, Voluntary Disclosure Statement and Supplemental form on our website at: holstoncamp.org

Looking for Senior High Volunteers: age 15 and older to help one week at a time at Camp. Check the website for a Volunteer Application.

WANTED: Drivers – 25 years of age or older for one week of camp. We will house you in Guenther Lodge and feed you all your meals. In return you get to check out the country side as you drive the children and youth around the High Country. We have openings for the weeks of: June 11-16, July 16-21, and July 23-28.

Chaplains of the Week – We would like to have two chaplains a week. If you are interested, please contact Craig Bell. We are using a curriculum “We are Partners in Creation.” We are looking for any pastor, CLP, DCE, youth or children's directors. We currently have:

| | |
|---------|-----------------------------------|
| June 11 | Greg Cartwright |
| June 18 | Deven Johnson |
| June 25 | |
| July 9 | Shane Smith and Jeremiah Richards |
| July 16 | Brad Simpson |
| July 23 | Ike Brighton |

Camp Yard Sale is set for **Saturday, May 13**. If you have any good items for the camp (not clothing) please help this worthwhile project by bringing them to the camp. It is a beautiful time of year to visit and walk around. All funds go to the summer camp scholarship.

Work Day Projects - There are many projects that need to be accomplished to get Summer Camp ready and we can use your help. We need help with chain saws, wood splitting, trail clearing, preparing a new worship area, etc. We would love to host a group middle of the week. We can house you and feed you. Just give us call (828) 898-6611

RECOMMENDATIONS: None

**HOLSTON PRESBYTERY CAMP & RETREAT CENTER
2005 End of Year Report**

| December | Proposed 2005 | December Activities | YTD | Year End 2004 |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| REVENUES | | | | |
| Holston Support | \$88,000.00 | \$7,333.34 | \$88,000.07 | \$88,000.04 |
| Abingdon Support | \$14,762.20 | \$1,250.00 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 |
| Summer Camper Fees | \$116,694.90 | \$403.00 | \$102,117.27 | \$128,745.50 |
| Summer Camper Scholarships | \$2,500.00 | \$0.00 | \$3,935.64 | \$4,045.86 |
| Camp Store Merchandise | \$600.00 | \$61.38 | \$2,785.38 | \$1,258.15 |
| Summer CD Slide Show | | \$0.00 | \$1,629.00 | |
| Camp 50th Scholarship Book Sales | | \$180.00 | \$4,370.00 | |
| H/A Lodging & Meals | \$55,157.72 | \$3,367.00 | \$53,901.50 | \$44,516.00 |
| Other Lodging & Meals | \$98,290.00 | \$11,317.00 | \$104,785.00 | \$106,022.00 |
| Interest on all Accounts | \$650.00 | \$36.39 | \$699.94 | \$442.69 |
| Damage Rebursement | \$200.00 | \$0.00 | \$200.00 | \$230.00 |
| Miscellaneous Revenue | \$2,049.88 | \$3,865.00 | \$22,074.50 | \$329.00 |
| NC State Tax Refund | \$10,500.00 | \$0.00 | \$12,515.35 | \$10,003.84 |
| REVENUES TOTALS | \$389,404.70 | \$27,813.11 | \$402,013.65 | \$388,593.08 |
| EXPENSES | | | | |
| Retreat | | | | |
| Costs | \$38,287.42 | \$5,207.53 | \$41,991.37 | \$37,530.36 |
| Utilities | \$39,950.00 | \$4,832.64 | \$40,722.72 | \$42,596.39 |
| Year Round Staff Payroll & Benefits | \$139,700.48 | \$12,993.94 | \$139,701.28 | \$134,677.03 |
| Repair/Maintenance | \$11,400.00 | \$859.25 | \$18,661.73 | \$11,880.92 |
| Vehicle Upkeep | \$4,286.00 | \$85.48 | \$6,218.85 | \$3,657.50 |
| Administration | \$38,365.23 | \$1,634.26 | \$45,419.25 | \$40,605.44 |
| Summer | \$117,415.57 | \$888.25 | \$108,306.88 | \$114,684.18 |
| EXPENSES TOTALS | \$389,404.70 | \$26,501.35 | \$401,022.08 | \$385,631.82 |
| Net Income Ordinary (Loss) | | | \$991.57 | |
| BANKING ACCOUNT BALANCES | | | | |

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| CHECKING - | | |
| Operations | \$29,173.38 | Highland Union |
| SAVINGS Acct/Emergency Fd | \$3,094.50 | Highlands Union |
| SUMMER CAMP ACCOUNT | \$1,111.19 | Highland Union |

Directed Fund Account - Restricted Project Usage

| | |
|---|------------|
| Friends | \$255.69 |
| Wishlist Projects | \$208.34 |
| Mooneyhan Foundation | \$8,456.99 |
| 50th Anniversary Book | \$4,370.00 |
| Bristol Speedway Charities | \$5,000.00 |
| Hayes Cabin Pledge Completed | \$2,871.36 |
| 2005 Final Camp/Campus Campaign Pledges | \$7,858.05 |

| | | | |
|-------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| | | Total 2005 | |
| Camp Liabilities | Acct. Balance | Amount paid | Balance Left |
| Truck Loan | \$9,333.36 | \$6,222.24 | \$3,111.12 |

Institutions Committee: Jane Boyd introduced Jovanna Emerson, Evergreen Presbyterian Ministries; and Jonathan Pflug, Sunset Gap Community Center Director, for their reports to Presbytery.

INFORMATION:

- The Committee met with representatives and heard reports from our seven related institutions: Tusculum College, King College, Lees-McRae College, Sunset Gap Community Center, Grandfather Home for Children, Evergreen Ministries and Cannon Memorial Hospital.
- The Committee approved the following grants:
 - Tusculum College - \$4,650 for the Theologian-In-Residence program
 - King College - \$4,650 for a student mission trip to Africa
 - Lees-McRae College - \$4,650 for a student mission trip to India and two student ministries
 - Sunset Gap - \$4,650 for their summer work camps renovating homes
 - Grandfather Home for Children - \$4,650 for cottage bedroom furniture
 - Cannon Memorial Hospital - \$3,000 for their chaplaincy program
- Jonathan Pflug, Director of Sunset Gap Community Center in Cosby, TN and Jovanna Emerson, Evergreen Presbyterian Ministries, will give a report at the March meeting of Presbytery.

Youth & Young Adult Ministries: George Rolling introduced Jessica Reese for a report on Youth Council. Ryan Jackson, Student Intern, reported on International Campus Ministry.

INFORMATION:

- We are grateful for today's participation in Presbytery of our youth and our young adults as small group leaders, worship assistants, and reporters. In the life of the Church, where would we be without them? They embody life itself.

- Reporting for Youth Council is Jessica Reese, a senior at Daniel Boone High; and for Campus Ministry, Ryan Jackson and his wife, Katya Ivanova, students at Emmanuel School of Religion.
- Presbyterian Student Fellowship plans a mission trip to Pensacola, FL during ETSU spring break, March 3-9 ... to rebuild homes. They have already had a spirituality retreat and ski trip this year.
- Youth Council has set retreats for **Senior Highs – March 24-26** and **Middlers – April 7-9**, both at Holston Camp. The plan is to continue the change of Senior High Retreat from autumn to spring.

RECOMMENDATIONS: None

**Youth & Young Adult Ministries
Bank Balances as of January 31, 2006**

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Checking Account Balance | 35070.84 |
| Checking Account Interest | 2.04 |
| Total Checking Account | 35072.88 |
| Usable Balance | 35072.88 |
| Less: Honorarium Funds | 222.68 |
| Received from Holston Presbytery/Camp and Campus Campaign 2006 | 20733.01 |
| Youth Triennium | 850.00 |
| TOTAL | 13267.19 |
| Savings Account | 3158.05 |
| Plus: Interest Earned | 2.04 |
| TOTAL | 3160.09 |
| H.P. Endowment Fund | 167,356.33 |

By motion, the Committee decided to keep \$9000 in the operating budget, and amounts above that figure are to be moved to an interest-bearing savings account. When and if \$10000 accrues in the savings account, it will be placed in Certificates of Deposit for greater interest accumulation. The Campus Ministry staff will see if the bank will provide this service, and failing that, will provide for periodic oversight of our finances in this manner.
\$1000 invested in (1) \$1000 CD's

**Youth and Young Adult Ministry
Financial Report - January 31, 2006**

| | <u>Jan - 06</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>\$ Over Budget</u> | <u>% of Budget</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Income | | | | |
| Bank Interest | 1.11 | 20.00 | -18.89 | 0.0% |
| Facility Use | 300.00 | 4,400.00 | -4,100.00 | 6.8% |
| Holston Presbytery | 2016.66 | 24,200.00 | -22,183.34 | 0.0% |
| Holston Presbytery/Youth | 600.00 | 7200.00 | -6,600.00 | 0.0% |
| IDS Dividends | 7.06 | 5.00 | -2.06 | 141.2% |
| Meal Receipts | 50.00 | 1,800.00 | -1,750.00 | 2.8% |
| Miscellaneous Receipts | 50.00 | 100.00 | -50.00 | 50.0% |

| | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|--------|
| Presbytery of East TN | 0.00 | 6,000.00 | -6,000.00 | 0.0% |
| Synod of Living Waters | <u>775.00</u> | <u>9,300.00</u> | <u>-8,525.00</u> | 8.3% |
| Total Income | 3,799.83 | 45,825.00 | -42,026.28 | 2.6% |
| Expense | | | | |
| Cable TV | 99.39 | 1,200.00 | -1,100.61 | 8.3% |
| Campus Labor | 0.00 | 400.09 | -400.09 | 0.0% |
| Cleaning | 105.00 | 1,300.00 | -1,195.00 | 8.1% |
| Electricity | 354.44 | 3,500.00 | -3,145.56 | 10.1% |
| Food/Cleaning Supplies | 85.55 | 4,000.00 | -3,914.45 | 2.1% |
| Gas | 0.00 | 400.00 | -400.00 | 0.0% |
| Miscellaneous | 5.00 | 500.00 | -495.00 | 1.0% |
| Office Supplies | 957.22 | 2,300.00 | -1,342.78 | 54.3% |
| Payroll Expenses | | | | |
| FICA | 198.90 | 1,500.00 | -1,301.10 | 13.3% |
| Salary/Intern | 800.00 | 3,400.00 | -2,600.00 | 23.5% |
| Salary/International | 800.00 | 7,850.00 | -7,050.00 | 10.2% |
| Salary/Secretary | 1,000.00 | 9,100.00 | -8,100.00 | 11.0% |
| Total Payroll Expenses | 2,798.90 | 21,850.00 | -19,051.10 | 12.8% |
| Printing/Postage/Promotion | 340.00 | 3,000.00 | -2,660.00 | 11.3% |
| Professional Expense/Intern | 72.27 | 1,000.00 | -927.73 | 7.2% |
| Repairs/Maintenance | 119.00 | 3,000.00 | -2,881.00 | 4.0% |
| Special Events | -50.00 | 1,500.00 | -1,550.00 | -3.3% |
| Telephone | 189.89 | 1,500.00 | -1,310.11 | 12.7% |
| Triennium | 0.00 | 850.00 | -850.00 | 0.0% |
| Water | 0.00 | 900.00 | -900.00 | 0.0% |
| Youth Ministry | <u>145.61</u> | <u>6,350.00</u> | <u>-6,204.39</u> | 2.3% |
| Total Expense | -3,462.74 | 53,550.09 | -57,012.83 | -6.5% |
| Total | 4,644.80 | -7,725.09 | 12,369.89 | -60.1% |

Nominations Committee

INFORMATION:

- The following were omitted from the December, 2005 report:

| | Class of 2008 | Class of 2007 | Class of 2006 |
|---------------------|---------------|--|---------------|
| Synod Commissioners | | Tom Carroll (E) Reedy Creek, Kingsport Martin Christian (M) | |

Ethic Issues and Human Needs Committee: Harrison Taylor presented the committee's recommendation.

INFORMATION:

- A presentation on the Peace, Unity, Purity Task Force Report will be presented by Task Force member, the Rev. Lonnie Oliver, at the June 3, 2006 stated meeting of Holston Presbytery.
- The deadline for the \$500 Matching Grant applications is June 15, 2006. The purpose of these grants is to encourage congregations to reach out into their local communities to participate in ministry in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Applications are available on the Holston Presbytery website (www.holstonpresbytery.org).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

3. That the presbytery commend for study the Peace, Unity, Purity Report, *A Season of Discernment*, by the churches of Holston Presbytery—recommending that each session lead a study of the report with members of their congregations and report back to the Ethical Issues and Human Needs Committee (in care of the Holston Presbytery Office) by May 1, 2006. The report is available on the Holston Presbytery website (www.holstonpresbytery.org). Approved.

Preparation for Ministry Committee

INFORMATION:

At its meeting on January 30, 2006, the Committee on Preparation for Ministry took the following actions:

1. enrolled Jeremiah Richards (Jonesborough) as an Inquirer in the process of preparation for Ministry of Word and Sacrament
2. certified Patricia Willard (Covenant) as ready to be examined for ordination

RECOMMENDATIONS: None

Candidates and Inquirers of Holston Presbytery
December, 2005

| CANDIDATES | <u>Congregation</u> | <u>Seminary/Institution</u> |
|----------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Neil Arner | Johnson City First | Princeton |
| Allen Brimer | Morristown First | McCormick (M.Div 2003) |
| Joon-Ho Chang | Tri-City Korean | Union-PSCE (M.Div 2005) |
| Meg Flannagan | Bristol First | Columbia |
| Kaye Florence | Jonesborough | Columbia |
| Chang-Woo Lee | Tri-City Korean | Emmanuel School of Religion (M.Div 2005) |
| Scott Rasnic | Bristol First | Princeton (M.Div 2000) |
| Kirk Weisz | Zion | Princeton (M.Div 2005) |
| Pat Willard | Covenant | Columbia |
| INQUIRERS | | |
| Jon Cox | Johnson City First | Union-PSCE (Charlotte) |
| Todd Hare | Bristol First | RTS/Orlando |
| Daniel Henninger | Meadowview | Union-PSCE |
| Glenda Hollingshead | Jefferson City First | Emmanuel School of Religion (M.Div 2004) |
| Dave Hunsicker | Bristol First | Duke |
| Deven Johnson | Colonial Heights | Emmanuel School of Religion (M.Div 2005) |
| Erin Kobs | Greeneville First | Columbia |
| Chris Larimer | Johnson City First | Louisville |

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|-----------------------|-----------------|------------|
| YoungSung Lee | Tri-City Korean | Denver |
| Diana Moore | Jonesborough | Louisville |
| Rachel Parsons | Bristol First | Columbia |
| Will Shelburne | Kingsport First | Columbia |

Committee on Ministry: Robert Lowry presented the recommendations. Those Commissioned Lay Pastors present for re-commissioning were asked to come forward for their re-commissioning. Martin Christian came forward to present James Morgan, a Level III Commissioned Lay Pastor, with a certificate of commissioning.

INFORMATION:

1. Approved **Elder Jim Morgan** (First Church, Greeneville) as a Commissioned Lay Pastor (Level II/III).
2. Approved the Interim Pastor Contract between **Newport Church** and **the Rev. Calvin Metcalf** (ordained Southern Baptist), effective 12/01/05 through 12/01/06, with the following terms: Monthly Housing Allowance - \$783; Monthly Travel Expenses up to \$250; Monthly Medical Reimbursement up to \$750; Monthly Continuing Education Reimbursement up to \$50; Vacation – one week per quarter. (Permit Mr. Metcalf to moderate the session when needed.)
3. Granted permission to the following ministers laboring outside-the-bounds of Holston Presbytery: **the Rev. Thomas M. L. Wade** (Presbytery of Ohio Valley).
4. Granted permission to the following ministers laboring inside-the-bounds of Holston Presbytery: **the Rev. Robert Noble** (Cross Anchor and Walkertown).
5. Appointed **David Light** as the Moderator and COM Liaison to **Salem Presbyterian Church**.
6. Approved the Temporary Supply Contract between **Hebron Church** and **the Rev. Paul Brewer** (ordained Southern Baptist), effective 1/1/06 through 12/31/06, at a weekly salary of \$125.00, plus one week vacation per quarter. (**The Rev. Dennis Maxey**, pastor of Strawberry Plains Church, remains as the Moderator.)
7. Approved the Temporary Supply Contract between **Reedy Creek (Bristol) Church** and **the Rev. Ira Howard**, Honorably Retired, effective 1/1/06 through 12/31/06, two Sundays per month, at a weekly salary of \$100.00.
8. Approved the Temporary Supply Contract between **Reedy Creek (Bristol) Church** and **Commissioned Lay Pastor Christine Faust**, effective 1/1/06 through 12/31/06, two Sundays per month, at a weekly salary of \$75.00, plus mileage reimbursement.
9. Approved Elders **Calvin Ballinger, Cliff Dameron, Harold Finley, Jim Foote, Chip Herndon, IV, Anna Maddox, Bobby Meadows, Jeff Morelock, David Petke, Cheryl Rice, Harold Rogers, Ruby Rogers, Jim Skillen, John Snyder, and Scott Wise** for re-commissioning as Commissioned Lay Pastors.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the request from the session of **Grays Chapel Presbyterian Church** as provided in the *Book of Order* G-14.0201b asking for a waiver of the requirements of G.14.0201a, the rotation of officers' terms be granted. Approved.

2. That the request from the session of **Rock Creek Presbyterian Church** as provided in the *Book of Order G-14.0201b* asking for a waiver of the requirements of G.14.0201a, the rotation of officers' terms not be granted. Approved.

Congregational Life Committee

INFORMATION:

1. The Family Spirituality Workshop, which was held January 21 at First Presbyterian Church, Kingsport, was deemed a success. How we could involve more young families was discussed.
2. The Officer Training Event with Cam Murchison was held February 11 at Bristol Motor Speedway. There was a good turnout despite the snowy weather.
3. The committee discussed ideas for future workshops:
 - a. REAL teacher training:
 - b. Curriculum
 - c. Teaching tips
 - d. Resources
 - e. Craft ideas
 - f. Ministers' Bible study
 - g. Grand parenting support
 - h. Spiritual Renewal
 - i. Men's Gathering
4. East Tennessee Presbytery will hold an educational event "Loaves & Fishes 2006 Experience" March 17-18 at Maryville College with Tony Campolo as keynote speaker and James H. Logan, Jr., pastor of Bread of Life Christian Ministry (PCUSA) in Charlotte as event speaker. For information go to www.loavesandfishes.info

RECOMMENDATIONS: None

World Wide Missions Committee

INFORMATION:

- The **2006 Gatlinburg Missions Conference** – thanks to all that attended the Conference February 17-19. The Conference was successful because of the youth, adults, missionaries and directors that attended. A "thank you" to the Conference Committee for working so very hard to make the Conference a success. Please start making plans to attend and to promote the Conference in 2007. www.gatlinburgmissions.org
- The **Brazil Mission Trip** to Londrina is scheduled for **July 7 – July 19, 2006**. Reserve seats now.
 1. A non-refundable deposit of \$150 per seat (with names) is due *March 15*.

2. The remaining \$1,200 per person is due in three installments: \$400 due *April 15*; \$400 due *May 15*; \$400 due *June 15*.
 3. Included: roundtrip coach to Charlotte, NC; roundtrip airfare Charlotte to Londrina, Brazil; lodging while in Brazil; most meals; and a contribution to the ministry in Brazil.
 4. Participants are responsible for all travel documents, including passport and Brazilian visa (\$110), updated immunizations and personal items.
 5. Orientation classes will be held prior to the trip. Updates will be posted on the Presbytery website at www.holstonpresbytery.org. To register or for more information, contact Kim Hammond or Rich Fifield.
- **Zambia Trip, June 21–July 17, 2006** – in connection with Christian Medical & Dental Association and Global Health Outreach. Any medical professionals wishing information about this trip may call CMDA at 423.844.1000.

RECOMMENDATIONS: None

Report of Bills & Overtures Committee: Dan Donaldson and David Hale reported after their study:

The Overture regarding the Historical Foundation at Montreat from First Church, Bristol -- the committee recommended the adoption of the overture. The recommendation was approved.

The Resolution Calling for Prayer for the Commissioners and Delegates to the 217th General Assembly by Waverly Road Presbyterian – the committee recommended that the presbytery concur with the resolution and send to the churches asking that time be set aside for prayer. The recommendation was approved.

11:40PM - Promotions

11:48 PM - Three Cents a Meal Offering – A brief word about the Three Cents a Meal offering was given by Harrison Taylor.

11:50 PM - Adjournment: There being no further business, Moderator Beth Yarborough announced that the meeting would be adjourned following lunch and the report of the Standing Committee on Thanks. Harrison Taylor closed the business meeting with prayer and the body recessed for lunch. **The Standing Committee on Thanks:** Jim Swoager and Karen Foote reported their thanks for the meeting and offered prayer.

Beth Yarborough, Moderator

Richard L. Fifield, Stated Clerk

Paulette H. Thompson, Recording Clerk