

**NINETY-FIRST STATED MEETING
 GULF COAST PRESBYTERY - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2003
 CONCORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA**

03-08 CALL TO ORDER & OPENING PRAYER

The 91st stated meeting of Gulf Coast Presbytery was called to order by the moderator, TE Bruce O'Neil at 9:02 a.m. (CST) on Tuesday, February 11, 2003, at the Concord Presbyterian Church, Gulf Breeze, Florida. Moderator B. O'Neil opened the meeting with prayer.

03-09 WORSHIP SERVICE & SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

TE R. Dekker, host pastor, lead the Presbytery in worship. The service was begun with singing of hymns and songs of praise and season of prayer. TE O'Neil preached the Word of God from II Corinthians 4:1-16. The message was followed by the celebration of communion and the singing of a hymn.

03-10 ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was declared to be present with the following commissioners in attendance (An indicates a commissioner present):

CHURCHES	TEACHING ELDERS	RULING ELDERS
Chattahoochee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Rainwater	Wilbur Hill
Christ, Lynn Haven	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. Johnson	
Christ, Mobile	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Eide,	
Christ Community Church	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> G. Shamblin	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. Sinclair	
Concord	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R. Dekker	Tom Bosworth
Cornerstone, Destin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Roberts	
Cornerstone, Tallahassee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J. Watson	

Covenant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. Hayes	Richard Post
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> K. Fagerheim	
	<input type="checkbox"/> R. Hopper	
Covenant Reformed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Gilleran	Amzi Sherling
		Bill Vernon
Eastern Shore	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. O'Neil	Bill Luka
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Paulson	Bill Carrigan
		New Blackerby
Fairfield	<input type="checkbox"/> VACANT	Bob Cooper
Faith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steven Cloud	Ken Sanders
First, Atmore	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> W. Channell	
First, Niceville	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M. Swain	Ron Kohlin
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Shackelford	Jim Gerber
First, Panama City	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> W. Cathey	
Grace, Gulf Shores	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R. Fennig	T. J. Neely
		Richard Dennis
Grace, Madison	<input type="checkbox"/> VACANT	
Loxley	<input type="checkbox"/> Charles Gwin, Jr.	
McIlwain	<input type="checkbox"/> R. Looper	Willie Wilcox
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J. Grider	
New Philadelphia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. Newell	
Panama City Korean	<input type="checkbox"/> VACANT	

Pinewoods	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Anderegg	Clarence Ladner
		Don Rose
Safe Harbor	<input type="checkbox"/> T. Hughes	
Warrington	<input type="checkbox"/> R. Hornick	
Westminster, Fort Walton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> W. Tyson	Scotty Robertson
		Earl Smith
Westminster, Tallahassee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J. Craft	
Westminster, Milton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. Pearson	
Wildwood	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. Evans	Eric Haug
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Box	

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OTHERS TEACHING ELDERS

Ministers of Presbytery Not Pastoring Particularized Churches
(An indicates a commissioner present)

TEACHING ELDERS		TEACHING ELDERS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S. Bradford		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M. Griffith
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J. Bryars		<input type="checkbox"/> C. Gwin
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. Ryor		<input type="checkbox"/> M. Kirk
<input type="checkbox"/> S. DeVries		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J. Mathieu
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F. Dole		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. Maves
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J.R. Foster		<input type="checkbox"/> D. Miller
<input type="checkbox"/> C. Gardner		<input type="checkbox"/> G. Omerly
<input type="checkbox"/> J. Riggs		<input type="checkbox"/> T. Spilman
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. Sledge		<input type="checkbox"/> C. Phillips

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1 EXCUSED: TEs J. Bancroft, S. DeVries, R. Gardner, C. Gwin, M. Kirk, D. Miller,
2 G. Omerly, A. H. Phillips, J. Riggs. These others were also excused R. Looper,
3 B. Hornick, T. Hughes, T. Spilman and the commissioners of Loxley Presbyterian
4 Church.

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6 VISITORS: Jamin Scribner, John McDonald, Bob Bishop, Wilson Shirley, Charles
7 McMan and Justin Gischel.

8 **03-11 APPROVAL OF PRINTED MINUTES**

9 Minutes from the 90th Stated Meeting were approved with the following
10 corrections:

- 11 1. Spelling of Brian Johnston's name: needs a "t" in his last name.
- 12 2. Keith Fagerheim is listed present but was absent with excuse.
- 13 3. Ray Myers last name is missing the "s" from his last name in the
14 "Resolution and Thanks" section.

15 **03-12 COMMUNICATIONS**

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17 1. Minutes from the commission to ordain and install Dieter Paulson, found in
18 order and printed in the minutes (**Appendix A**)
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20 2. Minutes from the commission to install TE Dennis Rainwater, found in order
21 and printed in the minutes. (**Appendix B**)
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23 3. Letter from the congregation of Christ Presbyterian, Mobile and TE Alvin
24 Phillips Jr., requesting dissolution of the pastoral relationship, referred to the
25 Ministers and Candidates Committee.
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27 4. Letter from the Stated Clerk of Central Georgia Presbytery notifying
28 presbytery of the reception of TE Paul Frick, referred to the Ministers and
29 Candidates Committee.
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31 5. Letter from TE Paul Frick requesting transfer to Central Georgia Presbytery,
32 referred to Minister and Candidates Committee.
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34 6. Letter from the Missions Committee of First Presbyterian Church, Niceville,
35 FL informing presbytery of benevolence giving to presbytery causes (GCP-
36 Administration--\$200, GCP Church Planting--\$200), received as information.
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38 7. Requests for excused absence from TEs J. Bancroft, Scott DeVries, R.
39 Gardner, Charles Gwin, Monty Kirk, Doug Miller, George Omerly, A. H.
40 Phillips, J. Riggs.
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1 8. Letter from the clerk of Central Georgia Presbytery acknowledging TE P.
2 Frick's reception, referred to Ministers and Candidates.
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4 **03-13 ADOPTION OF DOCKET**

5 The docket was adopted. (Appendix C)

6 **03-14 INTRODUCTIONS OF VISITORS**

7 Visitors to presbytery were introduced. (See 03-10)

8 **03-15 APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

9 The moderator appointed the following commissioners to serve on the Standing
10 Committees of presbytery:

11 **Bills and Overtures:**

- 12 • TE Dennis Rainwater, Chairman
- 13 • TE Jim Bryars
- 14 • RE Richard Dennis
- 15 • RE Eric Haug

16 **Resolution and Thanks:**

- 17 • TE Deter Paulson, Chairman
 - 18 • TE Stephen Cloud
 - 19 • RE Bill Carrigan
 - 20 • RE Newt Blackerby
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22 **03-16 REPORT FROM IAR REPRESENTATIVE RE HEALTH INSURANCE**

23 Mr. Bob Bishop was introduced to presbytery and gave a report from IAR
24 concerning a new Health Insurance arrangement that will feature: Low Fixed
25 Cost, Multiple Plan Choices, Prompt and Efficient online claims processing,
26 customized PPO networks, and protection for all PCA members groups. The
27 new hopes to reduce cost by approximately 25% with hopes of further reductions
28 as others come back to the plan.

29 **03-17 BCO AMENDMENTS**

ITEM #	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN
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# 2	29	21	4
# 3	53	1	1
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1 **SPECIAL ORDER – 11:40 AM (CST) - SHARING & PRAYER GROUPS**

2 Presbytery divided into small groups for the sharing of prayer requests and
3 conversational prayer.

4 **SPECIAL ORDER – 12:00-12:45 PM (CST) - LUNCH**

5 **PRESBYTERY RECONVENED**

6 The Moderator called presbytery to order following lunch and led in prayer.
7 Presbytery reconvened at 12:50 PM (CST).

8 **03-18 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT – TE J. GRIDER, ACTING CLERK**

9 TE J. Grider presented the report to Presbytery. The following recommendations
10 were adopted:

- 11 1. That the docket be approved as presented.
- 12 2. That presbytery docket one hour for discussion of the PC Strategic Priorities
13 (see page 15 of “THE FRAMEWORK OF STRATGIC DIRECTION”) according
14 to the following schedule:
- 15 ▪ 92nd SM, May 13, 03 - #1– Empower church health and growth.
 - 16 ▪ 93rd SM, October 14, 03 - #2 --Develop leadership for the future.
 - 17 ▪ 94th SM, February 10, 04 - #3 – Increase denominational understanding
18 and effectiveness.
 - 19 ▪ 95th SM, May 11, 04 - #4 – Engage the culture.

20 The report was approved as a whole. **(Appendix D)**

21 **03-19 EXAMINATIONS – TE W. CHANNELL**

22 TE W. Channell presented the report to presbytery. Presbytery voted to proceed
23 with the examination of TE Dudley Crowe for transfer to Gulf Coast Presbytery.

24 1. TE Dudley Crowe, Assistant Pastor of Student Ministries-elect of the
25 Wildwood Presbyterian Church was introduced to presbytery. Mr. Crowe
26 is a member-in-good-standing of North Georgia Presbytery and is being
27 called to youth ministry.

- 28 • RE R. Myers examined Mr. Crowe in the area of Christian
29 experience and his sense of call to the Gospel ministry. This
30 portion of the exam was arrested.
- 31 • TE M. Swain then examined Mr. Crowe on his views in the area of
32 theology. This portion of the exam was arrested.
- 33 • TE M. Swain also examined Mr. Crowe on his views in the area of

1 polity. This portion of the exam was arrested.

2 • The exam as a whole was arrested.

3 • The question of Mr. Crowe’s stated exception on the Sabbath was
4 brought before the Presbytery: Mr. Crowe stated exception to WCF
5 XXI.8 and WLC Q. 117 is as follows:

6 “I take exception to this on the point of delighting in the
7 creation of God, in the fellowship with my family, and friends,
8 recreating outside – I do not consider to be exercise nor
9 work, but a pleasure that Glorifies God in the fullest. I
10 believe that God is most glorified when we are most satisfied
11 in Him.”

12 • Presbytery acknowledged that Mr. Crowe’s view was an exception
13 to the standards.

14 • The Exception was granted with the stipulation that whenever Mr.
15 Crowe teaches on this issue that he make clear his view on this
16 issue is an exception to the WCF.

17 Exam as a whole was sustained.

18 Motion to receive Mr. Crowe into Gulf Coast Presbytery upon his dismissal
19 from North Georgia Presbytery and upon his signing of the book of
20 Ministerial Obligation.

21 The call was then read by the commissioner of Wildwood PC and was
22 found in order by the Presbytery and acceptable to Mr. Crowe. The call
23 was placed in his hands. (**APPENDIX E**).

24 The appointment of the Commission to install Mr. Crowe was moved and
25 carried. The Moderator called upon TE D. Box to offer prayer for Mr.
26 Crowe.

27 • The Installation Service for Dudley Crowe will at the Wildwood
28 Presbyterian Church on Sunday, March 9, 2003 at 4:30p.m.
29 Members of the Commission will be: Teaching Elders Chuck Ryor,
30 Darwin Box and Stephen Bradford. The Ruling Elders will be Greg
31 Costas, Jimmy Hill and Eric Haug. (Quorum - 2 TE/2 RE)

32 **03-20 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – TE B. EVANS, CHAIRMAN**

33 TE B. Evans presented the report to Presbytery: His report included:

34 1. A report on the activities of the Gulf Coast Presbytery PresWIC was given.
35 A partial report of the PresWIC report was given out for the edification and
36 information of the presbytery.

37 2. Mr. T. J Neely reported on an upcoming conference called the “Age of

1 Opportunity” concerning the parenting of teens.

- 2 3. Chairman spoke of a possible elder training weekend seminar to be
3 planned in the future.

4 The report was received as information.

5 **03-21 MINISTERS & CANDIDATES – TE R. DEKKER, CHAIRMAN**

6 TE R. Dekker presented the report to Presbytery: The following
7 recommendations were made and carried:

- 8 1. That the transfer of TE Paul Frick to Central Georgia Presbytery be found in
9 order.
10 . TE Frick has communicated with the Gulf Coast Presbytery Stated Clerk
11 indicating that he was received into the Central Georgia Presbytery.
12 . The Stated Clerk of Central Georgia has mailed the documents to our
13 stated Clerk indicating that TE Frick has been received into the Central
14 Georgia Presbytery.
15 2. That the Pastoral Relationship between TE Chuck Philips and the Christ
16 Presbyterian Church of Mobile be dissolved.
17 . The committee Chairman has received the letter of request from TE
18 Philips dated 11-07 requesting this action.
19 . The Committee Chairman has received Congregational Minutes dated 11-
20 17-02 indicating a majority vote in support of dissolving the pastoral
21 relationship.
22 3. That the Pastoral Relationship between TE Charles Ryor and the Wildwood
23 Presbyterian Church of Tallahassee be dissolved.
24 . The committee Chairman has received the letter dated 2/10/03 from TE
25 Ryor requesting this action.
26 . The Committee Chairman has received Congregational Minutes from the
27 Wildwood Church dated 1-26-03 indicating a unanimous vote in support of
28 dissolving the pastoral relationship.
29 4. That the internship of Mr. Jamin Scribner be officially initiated.
30 . The committee Chairman received a request from Mr. Scribner and the
31 session of Fairfield church requesting this action.
32 . TE Stephen Cloud has agreed to serve as mentor.

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34 The moderator offered prayer in Mr. Scribner's behalf and he was enrolled as an
35 intern of presbytery.
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37 At Concord Presbyterian Church, the 11th day of February, the Gulf Coast
38 Presbytery, having received testimonials commending Mr. Jamin Scribner,
39 having received him as a candidate for the ministry, has placed him under
40 internship at his request in order to test his gifts for the holy ministry.
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42 The report was received as information (**Appendix F**)

1 **03-22 MISSION TO NORTH AMERICA - TE D. BOX, CHAIRMAN**

2 TE D. Box presented the report to Presbytery outlining the status of church
3 planting goals in Gulf Coast Presbytery. The following oral reports were given:

- 4 1. TE J. R. Foster spoke about his work at Reformed University Ministry at
5 Florida State University.
- 6 2. TE Bob Hayes spoke to presbytery re the work at King's Bay Mission in
7 Panama City Beach, FL.
- 8 3. TE Jim Bryars spoke about the work in Mobile, AL with Grace Community
9 Mission. They are still holding their worship services in the evenings. He
10 asked for facilities and for God to raise up a prayer movement to fuel its
11 future.
- 12 4. TE Chuck Ryor spoke about his work in planting a new church in
13 downtown Tallahassee at Center Pointe. Their goal is this campus
14 outreach ministry is to build a church with college graduate that stay in the
15 Tallahassee after graduation. The church hopes to have a multicultural
16 impact to build a multi-ethnic ministry and church.

17 Presbytery adopted the following recommendations:

- 18 1. That we begin to support Chuck Ryor, Evangelist and Church Planter for
19 the Centerpointe-Tallahassee work, at \$1,500 the following standard rate:
 - 20 • Beginning March 1, 2003 - \$1,500 (Monthly for 1 year)
 - 21 • Beginning March 1, 2004 - \$1,000 (Monthly for 1 year)
 - 22 • Beginning March 1, 2005 - \$500 (Monthly for 1 year)
 - 23 • For a total of \$36,000 over the three year period of support.
- 24 2. That the salary package submitted to the Presbytery on February 11, 2003
25 be approved. This package is promised by the Centerpointe-Tallahassee
26 mission work. It will be administered the PCA-MNA Committee, which
27 directly supervises Chuck's work. (See attached Salary / Benefits Package
28 **APPENDIX G**)
- 29 3. The Installation service for Chuck Ryor will be held February 23, 2003 at
30 Wildwood Presbyterian Church at 6:00 p.m. with the following commission:
31 TEs Bob Evans, Darwin Box, Dudley Crowe and REs Eric Haug, Rob
32 Simpson and Rob Stuyverson.

33 The report was received as information.

34 **03-23 MISSION TO THE WORLD – TE G. ROBERTS, CHAIRMAN**

35 TE G. Roberts presented an oral and written report to Presbytery. Reports were
36 given by:

- 1 1. TE Roberts spoke about the possibility of 3 members of this Presbytery
2 being called up to active duty status... the effect of missionaries paid by
3 Uncle Sam.
- 4 2. TE Roberts then told us about concept of ministry partnership with Russia.
5 A Russia Partnership composed of PCA ministers, elders, and churches
6 was formed last November. Others are interested in becoming a part of
7 this partnership. This is in keeping with MTW's philosophy of ministry in
8 forming team type of ministry in partnership with national churches in
9 other countries.
- 10 3. TE Roberts spoke of the upcoming PCA MTW Missions Conference next
11 November. Members of the presbytery were encouraged to attend or send
12 delegates.
- 13 4. TE Roberts then introduced TE S. Bradford that spoke upcoming mission
14 trips to Uganda this summer. The Reformed Church of Uganda is on the
15 move according to Mr. Bradford and he asked for presbytery to encourage
16 members of their churches to go on one of the mission trips to Uganda.

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18 The report was approved a whole and TE Roberts closed the report with prayer.
19 **(APPENDIX H)**

20 **03-24 ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

21 TE D. Gilleran presented the Administrative Committee report to the presbytery.
22 The following recommendations were approved:

- 23 1. That the following churches submitted their Sessional minutes and records on
24 time to the 90th meeting of this Presbytery on October 8, 2002 and they be
25 approved without exception of substance as follows: Grace Fellowship-Gulf
26 Shores, Warrington, Westminster-Fort Walton Beach
- 27 2. That the following churches failed to submit its Sessional minutes and records
28 to the 90th meeting of this Presbytery on October 8, 2002: Panama City
29 Korean, and Westminster-Milton.
- 30 3. That the 2003 budget be approved as amended with the amendment of one
31 omission.
- 32 4. That the Financial Report be approved. **(APPENDIX I)**
- 33 5. That the commission minutes of Grace Community be approved.
34 **(APPENDIX J)**
- 35 6. That the report be approved as a whole.

36 **03-25 OLD BUSINESS**

- 37 1. The study committee appointed to propose an amendment to the WCF
38 in relation to 24:3 reported to presbytery. A motion to postpone for
39 further perfection carried and the study committee will report to the
40 next meeting of presbytery.

1 **03-26 NEW BUSINESS**

2 **Time & Place of the 92nd Stated Meeting**

3 The next stated meeting of Gulf Coast Presbytery will be held at 9:00 AM
4 Laguna Beach Christian Retreat, Panama City Beach, Florida.

5 **03-27 REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

6 The following resolution was adopted:

7 *Whereas, the members of Gulf Coast Presbytery have met at Concord*
8 *Presbyterian Church in Gulf Breeze, FL for it's 91st Stated Meeting,*

9 *And Whereas, members of the Presbytery and its visitors have been*
10 *extended gracious hospitality and served a delicious meal by the ladies of*
11 *Concord Presbyterian Church,*

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13 *Therefore be it resolved, that, thanks and appreciation of this body be*
14 *conveyed to the host church and its volunteers for their willing service and*
15 *loving spirit to us upon this occasion. Soli deo Gloria.*

16 **03-28 ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSING PRAYER**

17 Presbytery adjourned at 3:15 PM (CST) by Moderator O'Neil with the singing of
18 the hymn "What Wondrous Love Is This" and the benediction by TE O'Neil.

19 Respectfully submitted,

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21 TE J. Grider, Acting Clerk

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1 **APPENDIX A**

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3 **GULF COAST PRESBYTERY MINUTES**
4 **of the Ordination and Installation Service for**
5 **Dieter E. Paulson as Assistant Pastor of**
6 **Eastern Shore Presbyterian Church**
7 **October 27, 2002**
8 **6:00 P.M.**
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10 The Gulf Coast Presbytery held a called meeting for the ordination and installation of Dieter E.
11 Paulson as Assistant Pastor of Youth and Families at Eastern Shore Presbyterian Church on
12 Sunday evening October 27, 2002 at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of Eastern Shore Presbyterian
13 Church.
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15 Elders present included: Rev. Bruce O’Neil (TE), Rev. Wesley Channell (TE), Rev. Dennis Eide,
16 (TE), Dr. Ken Robinson (RE), Mr. Perry Zakutney (RE), and Mr. Robby Smith (RE). Also
17 present as a guest of Presbytery was the Rev. Wade Coleman, Associate Pastor of Providence
18 Presbyterian Church in Clinton, MS.
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20 Rev. Bruce O’Neil convened the meeting and Dr. Ken Robinson opened the meeting in prayer.
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22 M/S/C to elect Mr. Robby Smith as clerk of the commission.
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24 M/S/C to adopt the attached Order of Worship for the ordination and installation service.
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26 M/S/C to suspend the meeting for the service.
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28 M/S/C to approve the minutes.
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30 The meeting was closed in prayer by Rev. Bruce O’Neil.
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36 Robby Smith
37 Clerk of Commission
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1 **APPENDIX B**

2 **Minutes of the commission of Gulf Coast Presbytery**
3 **To Install Rev. Dennis Rainwater**

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5 The Commission appointed by Gulf Coast Presbytery to Install Rev. Dennis Rainwater
6 as Pastor of the Chattahoochee Presbyterian Church, met at the Church at 3:15 P.M.,
7 November 3 2002. The following members were present: TE Steve Bradford, TE Tim
8 Elder, TE Andy Newell, TE Dennis Rainwater, RE Bob Carpenter, RE Wilbur Hill, RE
9 Spurgeon Cowen, RE Newton Brooks (Emeritus), RE Ronnie Brunson, RE H. Clark.

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11 The meeting was called to order by TE Steve Bradford and prayer was given by Rev.
12 Bradford. Rev. Bradford was elected Chairman and RE Bob Carpenter as secretary.
13 The order of service was reviewed and approved and the commission retired to the
14 sanctuary for the worship service at 4:00 P.M.

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16 Rev. Tim Elder presided and propounded the Constitutional Questions to Rev. Dennis
17 Rainwater and the congregation. Rev. Andy Newell read the Scripture and Rev. Newell
18 preached a sermon, using as his text 1 Tim 4:1-16. RE Cowen & RE. Brooks led in
19 prayer as Rev. Rainwater was installed as the shepherd over this particular
20 congregation. Then RE Wilbur Hill delivered a charge to Rev. Rainwater and RE Ronnie
21 Brunson delivered a charge to the congregation. Rev. Rainwater pronounced the
22 benediction following the singing of a closing hymn, and the members of the church
23 came forward to welcome their minister.

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25 The minutes having been read and approved, the closing benediction of the newly
26 installed pastor would close this portion of the commission' business.

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32 RE Bob Carpenter
33 Secretary
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1 **APPENDIX C**

2 PROPOSED DOCKET
3 GULF COAST PRESBYTERY – 91st STATED MEETING
4 February 11, 2003 – 9:00 AM CST/10:00 EST
5 Concord Presbyterian Church, Gulf Breeze, FL
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- 7 1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer
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9 2. Worship Service & Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
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11 3. Roll Call & Determination of a Quorum
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13 4. Approval of Printed Minutes
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15 5. Communications
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17 6. Adoption of Docket
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19 7. Introduction of Visitors
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21 8. Appointment of Standing Committees
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23 9. Permanent Committee Reports
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25 a. Executive – TE R. Hornick, Stated Clerk
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27 b. Examinations – TE W. Channell
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29 c. Christian Education – TE Bob Evans
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31 d. Ministers and Candidates – TE Robert Dekker
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33 e. Mission to North America – TE Darwin Box
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35 f. Mission to the World – TE Dewey Roberts
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37 g. Administration – TE David Gilleran
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39 SPECIAL ORDER FOR VARIOUS REPORTS
40 SPECIAL ORDER – 11:40 EST – SHARING AND PRAYER GROUPS
41 SPECIAL ORDER – 12:00 EST
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43 10. Old Business
44 a. BCO Amendments
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46 11. New Business
47 a. Time & Place of 92nd Stated Meeting – Tuesday, May 13, 2003
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49 12. Reports of Standing Committees
50 13. Adjournment and Closing Prayer
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1 **APPENDIX D**

2 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

3 Tuesday, February 11, 2003

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5 I. MEETINGS

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7 The Executive Committee via conference call on Tuesday, January 28th at 10:00
8 AM CST

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11 II. ISSUES DISCUSSED

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13 A. Communications
14 B. Committee Reports
15 C. Docket
16 D. Nominations

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19 III. RECOMMENDATIONS

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21 A. That the docket be approved as presented.
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23 B. That presbytery docket one hour for discussion of the PCA Strategic Priorities
24 (see page 15) according to the following schedule:
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26 92nd SM, May 13, 03 -- #1 Empower Church Health
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31 effectiveness.
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33 95th SM, May 11, 04 - #4 – Engage the Culture
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35 C. That the Executive Committee be appointed as a commission (2RE/2 TE) to
36 elected commissioners for the General Assembly
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1 APPENDIX E

2 **WILDWOOD**
3 **Church**

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7 December 29, 2002

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9 Wildwood Presbyterian Church being on sufficient grounds and well satisfied of
10 the ministerial qualifications of you, Dudley Crowe, and having good hopes from our
11 knowledge of your labors that your ministrations in the Gospel will be profitable to our
12 spiritual interests, do earnestly call you to undertake the office of Assistant Pastor for
13 Student Ministries in said congregation, promising you, in the discharge of your duty, all
14 proper support, encouragement and obedience in the Lord.

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16 That you may be free from worldly cares and avocations, we hereby promise and
17 oblige ourselves to pay you the sum of \$43,200.00 a year in regular payments (24
18 annually), and other benefits, such as, retirement contributions, health, life and dental
19 insurances, vacation and sick leave, etc., during the time of your being and continuing
20 the service in this local church.

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22 In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our names this 29th day
23 of December, 2002.

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30 Attest: I, having moderated the Session meeting which extended a call to
31 Dudley Crowe for his ministerial services, do certify that the call has been made in
32 all respects according to the
33 rules laid down in the Book of Church Order, and that the persons who signed
34 the foregoing call were authorized to do so by decision of the Session of
35 Wildwood Presbyterian Church.

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40 Darwin Box, Associate Pastor,
41 Moderator of the Meeting
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APPENDIX F

Report of the

Committee on Ministers and Candidates

1. Opening Prayer by Chairman Dekker
2. Personal Motions from the Chairman to facilitate the processing of data since the Committee did not meet.
 - a. **I move that the Gulf Coast Presbytery transfer the care of TE Paul Frick to the Central Georgia Presbytery.**
 - i. TE Frick has communicated with the Gulf Coast Presbytery Stated Clerk indicating that he has been officially received by the Central Georgia Presbytery.
 - ii. The Stated Clerk of Central Georgia has mailed the documents to our stated Clerk indicating that TE Frick was received into the Central Georgia Presbytery.
 - b. **I move that the Gulf Coast Presbytery concur with the request of TE Chuck Philips to dissolve his Pastoral Relationship with Christ Presbyterian Church of Mobile.**
 - i. The committee Chairman has received the letter of request from TE Philips dated 11-07 requesting this action.
 - ii. The Committee Chairman has received Congregational Minutes dated 11-17-02 indicating a majority vote in support of the dissolution of the pastoral relationship.
 - c. **I move that the Gulf Coast Presbytery concur with the request of TE Charles Ryor to dissolve his Pastoral Relationship with Wildwood Presbyterian Church of Tallahassee.**
 - i. The committee Chairman has received the letter dated 2/10/03 from TE Ryor requesting this action so that he might serve the Lord as a church planter.
 - ii. The Committee Chairman has received Congregational Minutes from the Wildwood Church dated 1-26-03 indicating a unanimous vote in support of dissolving the pastoral relationship.
 - d. **I move that the Gulf Coast Presbytery recognize the initiation of Mr. Jamin Scribner's internship at Fairfield Presbyterian Church of Pensacola.**
 - i. The committee Chairman received a request from the Mr. Scribner that he be enrolled as a candidate.
 - ii. The Rev. Dr. Stephen Cloud has agreed to serve as Mr. Scribner's mentor.
3. Vacant Pulpit Update;
 - a. TE Chuck Philips has indicated that He is available to fill a vacant pulpit if requested.
 - b. TE Chuck Ryor has indicated that He is available to fill a vacant pulpit is requested.
 - c. Please contact the Committee Chairman if you become aware of the need for a vacant pulpit to be filled or of the availability of one to fill a vacancy. (concordpca@juno.com)
2. Candidates and Licentiates Request:
 - a. Personal Request from the Committee Chairman: As the new chairman of this committee, I humbly request help from across the whole Presbytery in providing the Covenantal Care to those "under our care." If you are especially familiar with a candidate or candidates or if you live within a closer proximity to one or more of our candidates, our committee would welcome you service. It is our hope that every candidate receives special attention from someone within our presbytery throughout the year.
3. Closing prayer

1 **APPENDIX G**
2 **CENTERPOINT**
3 **TALLAHASSEE**

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5 January 2, 2003
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8 Chuck Ryor
9 1915 TyTy Court
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16 Below is a breakdown of your salary and benefits package for the Senior Pastor position
17 at CenterPoint Tallahassee.
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19 SALARY/BENEFITS PACKAGE - SENIOR PASTOR

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21 1 \$ 42,800 Annual Salary (Includes self-employment and federal income taxes)
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23 • \$ 25,000 Annual Housing/Allowance

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25 1 \$ 7,200 (estimate) Annual Family Health Insurance (employer paid)
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27 • 4 weeks of Annual Leave and 2 weeks of Sick Leave per Year
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29 Should an employee retirement plan be established, the Senior Pastor will be
30 given the opportunity to participate at a level commensurate with his position
31 in the organization.
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33 Please acknowledge acceptance of this pay arrangement for the 2003 calendar year by signing
34 below or call me with questions or to discuss any details (850) 668-7620.
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37 Sincerely,

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40 Ben Alonzo, T CenterPoint Tallahassee, Inc.
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45 Pastor Chuck Ryor - P.O. Box 14884 Tallahassee, FL 32317
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APPENDIX H

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Mission to the World Report

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4 **1. Russia Partnership-** In November of last year (2002) I traveled with Brian Deringer, regional coordinator for
5 Europe/Russian speaking countries with MTW, to negotiate partnership documents with the leaders of the Russian
6 Presbyterian Church. The leaders are Korean, though the denomination is mostly Russian. After several hours of our
7 meeting, Brian decided it was best to leave the documents with them for them to translate and that the signing could
8 take place later. Since that trip, those documents were sent to Seoul, Korea; agreed upon in general; and now have
9 been signed. This partnership will involve the PCA working with the Korean missionaries in some things and part
10 from them in other areas. The Korean missionaries operate a Bible school/seminary in Moscow where I teach
11 whenever I go to Moscow. They have asked me to be the American representative of the seminary.

12 A Russia Partnership composed of PCA ministers, elders and churches was formed last November as well.
13 At present, pastors/elders from the following churches are involved: Cornerstone Presbyterian Church of Destin;
14 Lexington Presbyterian Church of Lexington, SC; Redeemer Presbyterian Church of Athens, GA; Oak Mountain
15 Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, AL; and Redeemer Presbyterian Church of Manhattan, NY; as well as some
16 missionaries with connections to Russia.

17 There are presently three couples and a young lady who have expressed interest in becoming missionaries
18 to Russia. One is a former country coordinator for Ukraine; another is a young American-Russian couple; another is
19 a young lady who is doing doctoral work in Ukraine at the moment; and the other is couple who work in the home
20 office with MTW. Pray for the open doors for mission work in Russia.

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22 **2. Partnerships-** the MTW is moving towards developing partnerships of churches who have an active part in the
23 development of the missionary work in a particular country. I want to encourage each church to pursue being part of
24 a partnership with MTW.

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26 **3. MTW Missions Conference-** MTW held its first denominational wide missions conference last November in
27 Atlanta with about 2,500 people present. November will be the date of the next conference also. You should make
28 plans to be present at the next conference and get a picture of the amazing things taking place through PCA world
29 missions. It will be held from Friday to Sunday in early November.

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31 Respectfully Submitted,

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APPENDIX I

GULF COAST PRESBYTERY, INC.

PROPOSED BUDGET YEAR 2003

	<u>2002</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>2003</u> <u>Budget</u>
General Fund		
Administrative Expenses		
Executive		
Postage	\$450	\$450
Printing	800	800
Supplies	100	100
Telephone	800	800
Travel	500	500
Miscellaneous	100	100
Recording Clerk	850	850
Stated Clerk	<u>4,800</u>	<u>4,800</u>
Total	<u>8,400</u>	<u>8,400</u>
Administration		
Postage, Printing & Travel	50	50
Telephone	30	30
Web Site	<u>275</u>	<u>275</u>
Total	<u>355</u>	<u>355</u>
Mission to the World Committee		
Committee expenses	200	200
Short-term Mission	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
Total	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,200</u>
Mission to North America Committee		
Committee expenses	1,200	1,200
Reformed University Ministries - J.R. Foster	<u>6,300</u>	<u>6,300</u>
Total	<u>7,500</u>	<u>7,500</u>
Christian Education Committee		
Committee expenses	650	650
Conferences & Retreats	1,950	1,950
Speakers	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,200</u>
Total	<u>3,800</u>	<u>3,800</u>
Ministers & Candidates Committee		
Committee expenses	530	530
Examinations Committee		
Committee expenses	400	400
Total General Fund	<u>22,185</u>	<u>22,185</u>
Mission to North America Committee Church Planting Fund (Receipts)	<u>24,000</u>	<u>24,000</u>

GULF COAST PRESBYTERY, INC.

SUMMARY OF FUNDS

December 31, 2002

General Fund (Schedule 1)	\$30,873.80
Mission to North America Committee Loan Fund (Schedule 2)	92,789.60
Mission to North America Committee Church Planting Fund (Schedule 3)	42,202.70
Designated Funds (Schedule 4)	0.00
Diaconal Fund	1,547.85
Mission Caring Fund	<u>300.00</u>
	<u>\$167,713.95</u>

LOCATION OF FUNDS

Compass Bank, checking	\$10,718.06
Compass Bank, Money Market Account	105,726.00
Compass Bank, Certificate of Deposit, 3.37%	<u>51,269.89</u>
	<u>\$167,713.95</u>

GULF COAST PRESBYTERY, INC.

GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS

JANUARY 1, 2002 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002

Schedule 1

Fund Balance, January 1, 2002		\$33,272.67
Receipts		
Member churches, per accompanying schedule	\$13,963.27	
Interest income	<u>595.14</u>	14,558.41
Disbursements:		
Administrative Expenses		
Stated Clerk Salary	4,800.00	
Recording Clerk	975.00	
Telephone	1,065.20	
Copies & printing	745.90	
Postage	373.23	
Office Supplies	137.76	
Web Page	240.00	
Other expenses	0.00	
Committee expenses		
Christian Education	500.00	
Examinations	0.00	
Ministers & Candidates	287.93	
Mission to North America	358.52	
Mission to the World	1,173.74	
Reformed University Ministries - J.R. Foster	<u>6,300.00</u>	
		<u>16,957.28</u>
Fund Balance, December 31, 2002		<u>\$30,873.80</u>

GULF COAST PRESBYTERY, INC.

MISSION TO NORTH AMERICA COMMITTEE LOAN FUND

RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS

JANUARY 1, 2002 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002

Schedule 2

Fund Balance, January 1, 2002	\$80,382.93
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Receipts			
Member churches			
Faith, Robertsdale, AL	\$1,200.00		
New Song, Pace, FL	\$8,400.00		
Panama City Korean Church	<u>1,200.00</u>	\$10,800.00	
Interest income		<u>1,606.67</u>	<u>12,406.67</u>
Fund Balance, December 31, 2002			<u><u>\$92,789.60</u></u>

	Balance		Balance
Outstanding loans	01/01/02	Receipts	12/31/02
Faith, Robertsdale, AL	\$2,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$800.00
New Song, Pace, FL	34,600.00	8,400.00	26,200.00
Panama City Korean Church, FL	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>1,200.00</u>	<u>3,800.00</u>
	<u>\$41,600.00</u>	<u>\$10,800.00</u>	<u>\$30,800.00</u>

GULF COAST PRESBYTERY, INC.

MISSION TO NORTH AMERICA NEW CHURCH PLANTING FUND

RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS

JANUARY 1, 2002 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002

Schedule 3

Fund Balance, January 1, 2002		\$41,095.46
Receipts, per accompanying schedule		
Member churches	\$13,334.41	
Interest income	<u>772.83</u>	14,107.24
Disbursements:		
Grace Community Church		<u>13,000.00</u>
Fund Balance, December 31, 2002		<u><u>\$42,202.70</u></u>

GULF COAST PRESBYTERY, INC.

CASH RECEIPTS

JANUARY 1, 2002 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002

Church	General Fund	Church Planting Fund	Designated Funds	Total
Chattahoochee, FL	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$900.00	\$1,200.00
Christ, Lynn Haven, FL				0.00
Christ, Mobile, AL				0.00
Concord, Gulf Breeze, FL	140.00	70.00		210.00
Cornerstone, Destin, FL				0.00
Cornerstone, Tallahassee, FL				0.00
Covenant, Panama City, FL	600.00	1,800.00		2,400.00
Covenant Reformed, Point Clear, AL	520.88			520.88
Eastern Shore, Fairhope, AL	1,499.98	400.00	200.00	2,099.98
Fairfield, Pensacola, FL	400.00			400.00
Faith, Robertsdale, AL				0.00
First, Atmore, AL	375.00	100.00		475.00
First, Niceville, FL	3,600.00	2,400.00		6,000.00
First, Panama City, FL				0.00
Grace Fellowship, Gulf Shores, AL	480.00	1,200.00		1,680.00
Grace, Madison, AL	600.00	600.00		1,200.00
Loxely, Loxely, AL				0.00
McIlwain Memorial, Pensacola, FL	947.28	1,614.28		2,561.56
New Philadelphia, Quincy, FL				0.00
New Song, Pace, FL	700.00	1,100.00		1,800.00
Panama City Korean Church, FL				0.00
Pinewoods, Cantonment, FL	600.00	900.00		1,500.00
Safe Habor, Destin, FL	50.00			50.00
Warrington, Pensacola, FL	525.00	525.00		1,050.00
Westminister, Fort Walton Beach, FL	1,029.30	1,029.30		2,058.60
Westminister, Milton, FL	95.83	95.83		191.66
Westminister, Tallahassee, FL				0.00
Wildwood, Tallahassee, FL	1,500.00	1,500.00		3,000.00
	<u>\$13,963.27</u>	<u>\$13,334.41</u>	<u>\$1,100.00</u>	<u>\$28,397.68</u>

Note: Receipts are credited to the fund designated by the giving church. When there is no designation, the treasurer credits the funds where needed.

1 **APPENDIX J**

2 **Approved Grace Community Commission Minutes**

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4 Grace Community Church
5 Commission Meeting
6 Minutes
7 March 12, 2002
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9 A stated Commission meeting was held at the home of Chip Fellers. Elders present
10 included Pastor Jim Bryars, Wesley Channell, Chip Fellers, and Tripp Oliphant.

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12 The meeting was opened in prayer by Chip Fellers.

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14 Jim Bryars updated the Commission in regard to the following areas of ministry: worship
15 teams, small groups, children and youth, missions, facilities, vision, growth, and finances.

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17 M/S/C appointing Tripp Oliphant as clerk of the Commission.

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19 Commission membership and planning for an Easter service with communion was
20 discussed.

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22 M/S/C a new members class on April 12-13, 2002.

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24 The 2002 and 2003 budgets were reviewed in detail.

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26 M/S/C for Jim Bryars to use the \$5,300 budgeted for retirement to pay for 2001 social
27 security expenses.

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29 M/S/C for the 2002 budget line item "conferences" under "Personnel" be changed to
30 "automobile expenses."

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32 Grace Community will begin more discipleship and growth groups during the next three
33 months and purpose driven supper clubs will begin during summer 2002.

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35 Pastor Bryars will be working with potential community group leaders during the
36 summer in anticipation of starting this ministry in September 2002.

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38 The meeting adjourned in prayer.

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41 Respectfully submitted,

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45 Tripp Oliphant
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Grace Community Church
Commission Meeting
Minutes
April 16, 2002

A stated Commission meeting was held at the home of Chip Fellers. Elders present included Pastor Jim Bryars, Wesley Channell, Chip Fellers, and Tripp Oliphant.

The meeting was opened in a season of prayer led by Chip Fellers.

M/S/C approving the Commission Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2002.

Jim Bryars presented a progress report regarding worship teams, small groups, the Easter service, prayer ministry, and growth.

Approximately ninety individuals attended the last Sunday service.

The current general fund balance is approximately \$44,000.

The Commission will continue to investigate potential facilities, including office space.

The Commission reviewed a general outline of instruction for a membership class.

M/S/C approving age guidelines for adult membership at age fifteen and above.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Tripp Oliphant
Clerk of the Commission

Grace Community Church
Commission Discussion
May 21, 2002

A Commission meeting was held at a coffee shop in Fairhope, Alabama. Elders present included Pastor Jim Bryars, Wesley Channell, John Mathieu, and Tripp Oliphant.

The meeting was opened in prayer by John Mathieu.

Jim Bryars updated the Commission regarding recent worship ministry activity and small groups.

A target date to begin Sunday morning worship services is August 18, 2002 with start-up for Sunday School and community groups beginning in Fall of 2002.

Monthly receipts currently average approximately \$6,000.

A total annual package offer of \$29,312 has been extended to Christie Jordan for the position of office administrator.

Ten individuals recently completed a membership class and eight of those joined the church.

The meeting adjourned as Wesley Channell led in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Tripp Oliphant
Clerk of the Commission

Grace Community Church
Commission Discussion
June 13, 2002
4:00 p.m.

A Commission meeting was held at a coffee shop in Fairhope, Alabama. Elders present included Pastor Jim Bryars, Wesley Channell, John Mathieu, and Tripp Oliphant.

The meeting was opened in prayer by Wesley Channell.

Christie Jordan started in her position as office administrator on June 10, 2002.

Office space has been rented on Cottage Hill Road in Mobile, Alabama.

Summer groups, which have an outreach and fellowship orientation, have been started.

A "Discovering Grace Weekend" has been held with eighteen individuals in attendance, while another weekend event of this nature is scheduled for the end of June 2002.

Approximately \$2,000 worth of sound equipment has been donated to the church.

Receipts for May 2002 were approximately \$12,000.

Discussion was held regarding future plans and timing of officer training.

The Commission will continue to pray for the provision of a new worship facility.

The next Commission meeting will be on July 25, 2002 at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned as Jim Bryars led in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Tripp Oliphant
Clerk of the Commission

Grace Community Church, Commission Meeting
4 p.m. Thursday, July 25, 2002

The commission held its monthly meeting at the new offices. Jim Bryars, Wesley Channell and John Mathieu attended. Tripp Oliphant and newly appointed, Jim Corman, could not attend. John Mathieu opened the meeting with prayer.

Jim gave an encouraging report. Visitors continue to come. Sunday worship attendance jumped from seventy five to one hundred twenty and even higher in June. With the return of university students and the full support of the Campus Outreach staff, Grace may continue to experience increased numbers. Jim desires that more come through conversion. Monthly receipts average \$8,000. There's over \$49,000 in the bank. No money has yet been received from Briarwood Presbyterian. Thanks be to God for His blessing!

Jim asked for advice on church accounting software. The alternatives, Quickbooks at \$100 vs. ACS, normally at \$1500 offered at \$750 . . . Both Wesley and John felt that the simpler program met current and anticipated needs.

The commission allocated \$600 to cover Jim's cost to attend a church planter's seminar in Atlanta beginning July 28" through August 1'.

Jim asked for opinions concerning the selection of a Worship team coordinator. Wes Tuttle and Chris Springer, both of whom work with Integrity Music, were discussed. Jim will talk further with each before making a decision. This will be a paid position.

Jim outlined his plan to assimilate and equip those whom the Lord brings to Grace. He called it "**A Framework for Growing God's People.**" The four steps include: Neighborhood, Foyer, Family Room and Kitchen. Unpacked these mean: Neighborhood-connecting with people at home, work, play and school; Foyer-experiencing worship together at Grace; Family Room-inviting visitors for social events to build relationships and Kitchen-establishing groups to train believers to include, *Community Groups, Discipling Groups, o Leadership Group and Service Groups* The novel room in this house offers the Family Room, where those not ready for the commitment required to enter a 'Group," might be drawn more deeply into relationship. (A handout was provided.)

We continue to pray for a worship center for the fall, while acknowledging that the Lord may keep the Foyer convening in the evenings for now.

The commission meets again at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, August 20". Jim concluded the meeting in prayer.

Respectfully filling in for Tripp

John Mathieu

Grace Community Church
Commission Meeting
Minutes
August 22, 2002
4:15 p.m.

A stated Commission meeting was held at the home of Tripp Oliphant in Fairhope, Alabama. Elders present included Pastor Jim Bryars, Wesley Channell, John Mathieu, Jim Corman, and Tripp Oliphant.

Jim Bryars shared a devotional from Psalm 81 and the meeting was opened in prayer by Wesley Channell.

M/S/C approving the Commission Meeting minutes of July 25, 2002.

Jim Bryars reported on the recent positive growth in the church. The next "Discovering Grace Weekend" is scheduled for August 24, 2002.

Receipts for July 2002 were \$15,639. The General Fund balance as of August 13, 2002 was \$51,670.

A checking account has been established at Southtrust Bank with an initial deposit of \$560.

Financial and accounting procedures were discussed.

The position of part-time Worship Coordinator has been offered to Wes Tuttle.

A Sunday School program that parents may use at home with their children will commence in September 2002.

Kathy Mathieu is currently serving as the Children's Coordinator.

Jim Bryars reported progress in regard to youth ministry and missions.

The importance of continuing the search for a facility was emphasized.

There is strong potential for a new ministry to college seniors and career starters.

The next Commission meeting will be on September 17, 2002 at 4:15 p.m.

The meeting adjourned as the Commission participated in a season of prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Tripp Oliphant
Clerk of the Commission

Grace Community Church
Commission Meeting
Minutes
September 17, 2002
4:15 p.m.

A stated Commission meeting was held at the home of Tripp Oliphant in Fairhope, Alabama. Elders present included Pastor Jim Bryars, Wesley Channell, John Mathieu, Jim Corman, and Tripp Oliphant.

Jim Bryars shared a devotional from I Peter, Chapter 2 and the meeting was opened in a season of prayer.

M/S/C approving the Commission Meeting minutes of August 22, 2002.

Jim Bryars reported to the Commission some of the exciting ways that God is at work in individual lives at Grace Community Church.

Recent attendance at worship services has been approximately 140 to 150.

Wes Tuttle is still considering the offer of part-time Worship Coordinator.

The position of part-time Youth Leader has been offered to Tim Garland.

Community groups are being formulated and leaders are participating in training with Jim Bryars.

The Great Commission curriculum has been ordered for Sunday School classes.

M/S/C approving reimbursement of work related transportation expenses for non-pastoral staff at a per mile rate in accordance with current IRS rates. This reimbursement will take place for the staff member after completion of a reimbursement request form

The meeting adjourned as Jim Bryars led the Commission in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Tripp Oliphant
Clerk of the Commission

Grace Community Church
 Commission Meeting
 Minutes
 October 22, 2002
 5:30 p.m.

A stated Commission meeting was held at the office of Grace Community Church in Mobile, Alabama. Elders present included Pastor Jim Bryars, Wesley Channell, John Mathieu, Jim Corman, and Tripp Oliphant.

The meeting was opened in a season of prayer.

M/S/C approving the Commission Meeting minutes of September 17, 2002.

Community groups have been launched with 85-90 people in eight groups. From this point on, small group leader training will continue on a monthly basis.

The youth ministry continues to grow under the leadership of Tim Garland.

Dr. Carl Albertson has been assisting Jim Bryars and John Mathieu in organizing activities associated with world missions.

Jim Bryars shared some of the exciting things God is doing in regard to evangelism.

A web site has been established (gracemobile.org) and work on a newsletter layout and logo continue.

M/S/C approving the hiring of Wes Tuttle as part-time worship leader, contingent upon his affirming his willingness in writing to conduct his ministry in accordance with and in the spirit of the five Presbyterian Church in America membership vows.

M/S/C approving the following individuals for church membership, with the indicated means, based upon their completion of the Discovering Grace Weekend and subsequent interviews by Jim Bryars and John Mathieu:

Name	Joined How	Date
Albertson, Carl & Francie	Reaffirmation of Faith	29-Sep
Bryars, Becky	Reaffirmation of Faith	12-May
Burke, Shana	Reaffirmation of Faith	30-Jun
Campbell, Mike, Charlene, Lauren, & Andrew	Reaffirmation of Faith	20-Oct
Cole, Matt	Reaffirmation of Faith	29-Sep
Covan, Lance & Shelley	Reaffirmation of Faith	30-Jun
Earnest, Holly	Reaffirmation of Faith	29-Sep
Fell, Dennis & Noel	Reaffirmation of Faith	12-May
Fell, Pat & Lori	Reaffirmation of Faith	20-Oct
Garland, Tim & Kelly	Reaffirmation of Faith	12-May
Gunnells, Ross & Mollye	Reaffirmation of Faith	30-Jun
Hodges, Jay & Merrill	Reaffirmation of Faith	29-Sep
Johnson, Jen	Reaffirmation of Faith	30-Jun
Jordan, Christie	Reaffirmation of Faith	30-Jun

Leino, Ian & Tammy	Reaffirmation of Faith	12-May
Lugo, Jamie	Reaffirmation of Faith	30-Jun
Meduna, Doug & Bette	Reaffirmation of Faith	30-Jun
Mathieu, Kathy	Reaffirmation of Faith	20-Oct
Odell, Brian & Pam	Reaffirmation of Faith	12-May
Parks, Scott & Annie	Reaffirmation of Faith	20-Oct
Reed, Mike & Amy	Reaffirmation of Faith	20-Oct
Renfroe, Al & Laura	Reaffirmation of Faith	20-Oct
Ruble, Jim & Jody	Reaffirmation of Faith	30-Jun
Smith, Curt & Cheryl	Transfer of Letter	20-Oct
Tirey, Cheryl	Reaffirmation of Faith	29-Sep
White, Danny & Jennifer	Reaffirmation of Faith	30-Jun
Williams, Damion	Reaffirmation of Faith	29-Sep
Wilson, Autumn	Reaffirmation of Faith	20-Oct

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The current General Fund balance is approximately \$72,200.

M/S/C approving an annual salary of \$6,000 for Tim Garland in his role as youth director.

The need for a different facility remains a matter of prayer.

The administration of Communion was briefly discussed.

M/S/C approving the following dates for Communion: November 10, 2002; December 8, 2002; January 26, 2003; March 2, 2003; April 13, 2003; May 18, 2003; June 29, 2003; and August 3, 2003.

M/S/C tasking John Mathieu and Wesley Channell with preparing a plan and curriculum for leadership training for review at the next Commission meeting and potential implementation in January 2003.

The meeting adjourned as Jim Bryars led the Commission in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Tripp Oliphant
Clerk of the Commission

Grace Community Church
Commission Meeting
Minutes
November 19, 2002
4:15 p.m.

A stated Commission meeting was held at the home of Tripp Oliphant in Fairhope, Alabama. Elders present included Pastor Jim Bryars, Wesley Channell, John Mathieu, Jim Corman, and Tripp Oliphant.

Jim Bryars opened the meeting in prayer.

M/S/C approving the Commission Meeting minutes of October 22, 2002.

Wes Tuttle has accepted the position of part-time worship leader.

A World Missions Weekend was held November 16-17, 2002 with guest speakers Richard Sharp with Operation Mobilization and Bill Nikides with Mission to the World.

Community groups continue to develop with approximately one hundred individuals involved.

Worship service attendance has been 130-150 over the past several weeks.

The financial report was reviewed.

M/S/C approving the following individuals for church membership, with the indicated means, based upon their completion of the Discovering Grace Weekend and subsequent interview by Jim Bryars:

Mike and Amanda Adams	-	Reaffirmation of Faith;
John and Debbie Walks	-	Reaffirmation of Faith;
Kevin and Aimee Joy Weimer	-	Reaffirmation of Faith.

Jim Bryars updated the Commission on the development of leadership training.

Top priorities for consideration include officer training, prayer, community groups, facilities, and outreach.

The need for a new facility was reviewed and will continue as a focus of prayer.

The next Commission meeting will be on January 14, 2003.

The Commission participated in a season of prayer.

M/S/C approving an honorarium of \$1,500 for John Mathieu for ministry services.

The meeting adjourned as Jim Bryars led in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Tripp Oliphant
Clerk of the Commission

1 Grace Commission Meeting
2 Tuesday 4:30 p.m. January 14, 2003
3 First Presbyterian Church of Atmore, Alabama
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6 The meeting was opened in prayer. Attending were TE Wesley Channell, TE John Mathieu and TE Jim
7 Bryars. Excused were RE Jim Corman and RE Tripp Oliphant
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9 The minutes from the meeting of Nov. 19th were read and approved.
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11 Jim gave a general update including:

- 12 1. Attendance continues to increase (Sheet Attached)
- 13 2. Another children's Sunday School is anticipated
- 14 3. A large number of believers will leave Dauphin Way Baptist Church due to internal problems. Since
15 Jim used to pastor there, perhaps several, maybe quite a few may visit Grace. If more than a few do
16 come, the facilities and the children's ministry will be overtaxed.

17 Wesley commented that now is the time to be training additional Sunday school teachers.

- 18 4. A greater emphasis on prayer is desired. Jim plans to help the Community Groups include and
19 develop more of a heart for and practice of prayer. He has scheduled an Evening of Prayer and
20 Vision for Feb. 1st. He desires to see a Prayer Coordinator raised up along with a team who would
21 promote prayer at Grace. The aim is to start modestly and build slowly a heart for prayer in the
22 congregation.

23 Wesley gave several suggestions how prayer can be taught and encouraged.

- 24 5. Facilities – Two sites have potential currently.

25 **One**, Faith Bible Church located on Hillcrest just south of Cottage Hill

26 Jim met with the pastor of Faith who in turn is meeting with the decision makers on Wednesday.
27 Their church regularly gathers only 20 to 30 for worship. They have a gym which is not being
28 used and several unused classrooms. Clean-up would require much work and some money.

29 **Two**, the old Wright School property located at the corner of University and Grelot Roads.

30 A letter was sent to the USA Foundation who controls the old Wright School parcel. Jim asked
31 for all USA alumni and students to sign a petition indicating an interest in the use of the property
32 by Grace.
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- 34 6. Another Discover Grace Weekend is planned for Jan. 25th. For the first time, Jim will try to cover all
35 the material on Saturday only beginning at 8:30 lasting until 1 p.m. Fifteen have signed up.
- 36 7. Leadership development – Jim presented his outline for leadership preparation and development.
37 Called simply **The Story**, the outline works its way through theology by means of the story of
38 redemption. The Bible would serve as the principal source book although outside reading and
39 viewing would be included.
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41 Wesley suggested three keys to successful elder training:

- 42 1. What they should know – the objective.
- 43 2. What it means to them – the subjective.
- 44 3. How they can then use it to minister – the relational.

45 Wesley offered that various kinds of additional materials be used to suit different learning styles and to
46 train students to relate Biblical truth to different life experiences. He suggested a cloth-bound copy of the
47 Geneva Study Bible, as the textbook.
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- 49 8. Jim asked for suggestions about the duties and job description of a Finance Team.

50 Wesley expressed some reluctance for Jim to name a team at this point. He likened the financial job to
51 one of a bank. There is a need to record, inform and project, but not to set policy. He proposed giving
52 Earl Blackmon the title, Treasurer, while authorizing two others to sign checks. The names of Mike Reed
53 and Dennis Fell were mentioned.

54 Wesley gave Jim the name Brad Allison, pastor of Altadena Presbyterian Church in Birmingham as a
55 good person to ask about structuring finances.
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1 9. Jim said that some parents are beginning to ask how their children can be qualified to become
2 communing members.
3 Wesley indicated that he had a curriculum, which involved both parents and child in a 6-week course of
4 study and discovery. At the conclusion of the class the parents rather than the teacher would be
5 responsible to decide whether or not the child was ready to come before the session.
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7 The meeting was closed in prayer.
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9 Respectfully, John Mathieu