

NINETY-SEVENTH STATED MEETING
GULF COAST PRESBYTERY – FEBRUARY 15-16, 2005
BLUE SPRING RETREAT CENTER
MARIANA, FLORIDA

05-01 CALL TO ORDER & OPENING PRAYER

The 97th stated meeting of Gulf Coast Presbytery was called to order by moderator, TE Rick Finnig 4:08 p.m. (EST) on Tuesday, February 15, 2005, at the Blue Spring Retreat Center, Mariana, Florida. TE Bruce O'Neil opened the meeting with a reading of Scripture and prayer.

05-02 ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

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

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Chattahoochee	<input type="checkbox"/> D. Rainwater	
Christ, Mobile	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Eide	
Christ Community Church	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> G. Shamblin	
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Cornerstone, Destin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Roberts	
Cornerstone, Tallahassee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J. Watson	R. Hawks
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Covenant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. Hayes	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R. Hopper	
Covenant Reformed		A. Sherling
		H. Russell
Eastern Shore	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. O'Neil	B. Youngblood

		B. Luka
Fairfield	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stephen Cloud	B. Cooper
Faith, Robertsdale, AL	VACANT	K. Sanders
First, Atmore	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> W. Channell	
First, Niceville	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J. Grider	B. King
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Shackelford	J. Gerber
First, Panama City	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R. Watson	J. Fisher
		C. Bryant
Grace, Gulf Shores	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R. Fennig	T. Neely
		T. Stanton
Grace, Madison	VACANT	M. Cromer
		A. Hughes
Grace Community, Mobile	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J. Bryars	
Loxley	VACANT	
Mcllwain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R. Looper	R. Myers
New Philadelphia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. Newell	K. White
Pinewoods	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Anderegg	F. Drew
Safe Harbor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> T. Hughes	P. Belardino
Warrington	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R. Hornick	
	<input type="checkbox"/> J. Robbins	

Westminster, Fort Walton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> W. Tyson	J. Robertson
		E. Smith
Westminster, Tallahassee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J. Craft	
Westminster, Milton	VACANT	
Wildwood	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. Evans	J. Hill
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E. Hague	

OTHERS TEACHING ELDERS

(An indicates a commissioner present)

TEACHING ELDERS		TEACHING ELDERS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Box		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Miller
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S. Bradford		<input type="checkbox"/> G. Omerly
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J. Bryars		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Paulson
<input type="checkbox"/> W. Cathey		<input type="checkbox"/> C. Pearson
<input type="checkbox"/> S. DeVries		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. Ryor
<input type="checkbox"/> F. Dole		<input type="checkbox"/> J. Riggs
<input type="checkbox"/> C. Gardner		<input type="checkbox"/> C. Sledge
<input type="checkbox"/> M. Griffith		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. Phillips
<input type="checkbox"/> C. Gwin		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. Sinclair
<input type="checkbox"/> B. Johnson		<input type="checkbox"/> S. Seidler
<input type="checkbox"/> M. Kirk		<input type="checkbox"/> M. Swain
<input type="checkbox"/> A. Maves		<input type="checkbox"/> T. Spilman

EXCUSED: Teaching Elders: J. Bancroft, S. DeVries, K. Fagerheim, R. Gardner, D. Gilleran, C. Gwin, M. Kirk, G. Omerly, J. Riggs, J. Robbins, T. Spilman, M. Swain. Ruling Elder Commissioners: Loxley and Warrington.

VISITORS: Rafael LaGuardia, David Story, Don Chon, John Linville, Judy Croft,

1 Maragert Bryant, Don Hamburg, Fred Rall, Cliff Brafford, Robert Croft, John Hart,
2 Ron Kohlin and Tim Locke..

3 **05-03 APPROVAL OF PRINTED MINUTES**

4 Minutes from the 96th Stated Meeting were approved as amended by substituting the
5 words "Ninety-Fifth" with the word "Ninety-Sixth" in section in the heading.

6 **05-04 COMMUNICATIONS**

7 1. Minutes from the commission to install TE J. Grider, Senior Pastor, First
8 Presbyterian Church, Niceville, found in order and print in the minutes.

9 ([Appendix A](#))

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11 2. Call from Big Bend Hospice to TE Darwin Box, referred to Ministers and
12 Candidates.

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14 3. Letter from the Clerk, McIlwain Presbyterian Congregational Meeting, informing
15 presbytery of their concurrence of the request to dissolve the pastoral
16 relationship with TS J. Grider, referred to Ministers and Candidates.

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18 4. Requests for excused absence from the following:

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20 Teaching Elders: J. Bancroft, S. DeVries, K. Fagerheim, R. Gardner, D. Gilleran,
21 C. Gwin, M. Kirk, G. Omerly, J. Riggs, J. Robbins, T. Spilman, M. Swain

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23 Ruling Elder Commissioners: Loxley & Warrington

24 **05-05 ADOPTION OF DOCKET**

25 The docket was adopted. ([Appendix B](#))

26 **05-06 INTRODUCTIONS OF VISITORS**

27 Visitors to presbytery were introduced. (See 05-03)

28 **05-07 APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

29 The moderator appointed the following commissioners to serve on the Standing
30 Committees of presbytery:

31 **Bills and Overtures:**

- 32 • RE B. Youngblood, Chairman
33 • TE S. Cloud
34 • RE T. Stanton

- 1 • TE D. Anderegg

2 **Resolution and Thanks:**

- 3 • TE D. Miller, Chairman
4 • TE Dennis Eide
5 • RE Ken Sanders
6 • RE Bill Luka

7 **05-08 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT – TE B. HORNICK, STATED CLERK**

8 TE B. Hornick presented the report to Presbytery. The following
9 recommendations were adopted:

- 10 A. That the docket be approved as presented.
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12 B. That the Executive Committee be constituted as a commission, for the
13 purpose of electing commissioners to the Committee of Commissioners.
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15 C. That the following be elected:

16 Nominating Committee -- RE Ron Kohlin

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18 The report was approved as a whole. [\(Appendix C\)](#)

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19 **05-09 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – RE BENNY YOUNGBLOOD, CHAIRMAN**

20 Mr. Youngblood presented the report to presbytery.

- 21 I. PresWIC
22 a. 2005 Women's Leadership Training Conference
23 i. February 24-26, 2005
24 ii. Atlanta Airport Hilton; Speaker Rev. Ligon Duncan
25 iii. Sign Up at <http://www.ppacep.org/Wic/Leadership05.htm>
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27 II. Reform Youth Ministry (RYM)
28 a. Contacts:
29 i. Justin Gishal; Concord Presbyterian Church, Gulf Breeze, 850-
30 932-6243
31 ii. Rev. Tim Locke, Pinewoods Presbyterian Church, Cantonment
32 tim@pinewoodschurch.org, 850-968-9342
33 b. They are planning a Youth Rally for Presbytery RYM
34 c. Did not take the Ski Tri due to lack of interest
35 d. Sr. High Retreat – July 11-16 (Registration full- waiting list only)
36 e. Jr. High Retreat- June 20-24 (Registration full- waiting list only)
37 f. For more information on Summer Retreats see www.rymonline.com

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2 III. Conferences and Retreats

- 3 a. Children's Ministry Conference – April 21-23, 2005
4 i. Susan Hunt and Tim McCracken Keynote Speakers
5 ii. Emerald Pointe Resort & Conference Center (Outside Atlanta)
6 iii. CEP Children's Ministry Conference link:
7 <http://www.pcacep.org/Children/2005conference/index.htm>
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9 IV. Resources (All able to be ordered from <http://www.pcacep.org/>)

- 10 a. Children's Ministry Manuel- "Kids Under Construction"
11 i. Great resource for building a successful children's ministry
12 ii. Will be ready for distribution Early 2005
13 iii. CHILDRENS MINISTRY MANUAL LINK:
14 http://www.cepbookstore.com/iwwida.pvx?;item?item_no=KIDS
15 [UN6772%20%20%20%20%201?comp=CEP](http://www.cepbookstore.com/iwwida.pvx?;item?item_no=KIDS)
16 b. Making Kingdom Disciples: A new Foundation by Charles Dunahoo
17 c. Effective Men's Ministry by Phil downer
18 d. A Guide for Training God's Leaders (e-book) by Charles Dunahoo

19 **05-10 MINISTERS & CANDIDATES – TE R. DEKKER**

20 TE R. Dekker presented a partial report to presbytery. Mr. Dekker reported that
21 the Ministers & Candidates Committee recommends that charges be brought
22 against TE M. Swain.

23 A motion was made and carried that the presbytery go in to executive session.

24 In executive session, a motion was made asking the committee to draw an
25 indictment against TE Swain with specificity of charges and report back to the
26 Presbytery at this meeting for further action. The motion carried.

27 The presbytery then voted to come out of executive session.

28 **05-11 MISSION TO NORTH AMERICA - TE C. RYOR, CHAIRMAN**

29 TE C. Ryor presented the report to Presbytery. He discussed the status of church
30 planting goals in Gulf Coast Presbytery. The following oral reports were given:

- 31 • C. Ryor on the work of King's Bay Mission in Panama City Beach, FL
32 • C. Ryor on the work of Centerpointe Mission in Tallahassee

33 The report was received as information (**Appendix D**). TE Ryor called upon
34 TE D. Box to close with prayer remembering the work of church planting in
35 the presbytery.

36 **05-12 MISSION TO THE WORLD – TE E. ADAMS**

1 The Mission to the World report was given by TE Earl Adams in the absence of
2 the chairman, TE Dewey Roberts, who was serving two weeks of active duty at
3 Fort Jackson, SC.
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5 Earl told about the work that he will be undertaking with Mission to the World in
6 South America. Presbytery also heard from those who attended the PCA Global
7 Mission Conference in Atlanta from November 5-7, 2004. TE Adams conveyed
8 that the work in Russia which TE Roberts is involved in continues to go forward
9 and the first missionary candidate may soon be selected by the partnership. A
10 candidate was interviewed by the partnership at a meeting in September. The
11 MTW committee of Presbytery encourages the churches of Gulf coast Presbytery
12 to be vitally involved in missions and to send teams on short-term projects/trips.
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14 The report was approved a whole and TE Adams closed with prayer.

15 **05-13 REFORMED UNIVERSITY MINISTRIES REPORT – TE B. HAYES**

16 TE D. Schackleford presented the report in light of TE Hayes' temporary
17 absence.

18 TE D. Story was asked to give a report on the status of the work of RUF at
19 Florida State University.

20 Mr. Story's call to a particular work at Florida State University was approved by
21 the Presbytery.

22 Mr. Shackleford closed the report with prayer.

23 **05-14 ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT – TE D. SHACKLEFORD**

24 TE D. Schackleford gave the report to Presbytery. The following
25 recommendations were adopted:

26 **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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29 1. That the following churches submitted their Sessional minutes and records on
30 time to the 96th stated meeting of this Presbytery on November 9, 2004, and
31 that they be approved without exceptions of substance as follows:

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- 33 ● New Philadelphia, Quincy, FL
- 34 ● Pinewoods, Cantonment, FL
- 35 ● Safe Harbor, Destin, FL
- 36 ● Warrington, Pensacola, FL
- 37 ● Westminster, Ft. Walton Beach, FL
- 38 ● Wildwood, Tallahassee, FL
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1 **NOTE:** A suggested template for creating minutes for a Stated and a Called
2 Session meeting is now posted on the Presbytery website at
3 www.gulfcoastpres.org under the *FORMS* section. These files are in Microsoft
4 Word format and may be downloaded for your use.

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6 **REMINDER:** Be sure to check the Sessional Minutes Review Schedule for
7 changes and updates to your review date. These are subject to
8 change without notice.

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10 2. That the following churches be noted as having failed to submit their
11 Sessional minutes and records to the 96th stated meeting of this Presbytery
12 on November 9th, 2004.

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- 14 • Westminster, Milton, FL
- 15 • Westminster, Tallahassee, FL
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17 3. That the Administrative committee records show that the following churches
18 have failed to report for two years or more:

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- 20 • Westminster* Tallahassee, FL
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22 *Has been corresponded with by e-mail and by Certified letter with
23 return receipt dated January 6th, 2005.

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25 *TE. James Craft has promised to report by February 2005 Stated
26 Meeting in an e-mail response dated January 25, 2005.

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28 **UPDATE** – Westminster PCA Tallahassee submitted their records for
29 review at the 2/15/05 meeting.

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31 4. Financial report update provided to Presbytery for information. (Appendix
32 DK)

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34 5. Recommend that the Board of Directors elect and update a new board of
35 directors at the February 15, 2005 Presbytery meeting.

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37 6. Proposal of a Presbytery Group Health Insurance Plan.

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39 7. That this report be approved as a whole.

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42 Moderator R. Fennig recessed the presbytery with prayer at 5:52 p.m. for supper.

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44 **SPECIAL ORDER – 6:00 PM – Supper**

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46 **SPECIAL ORDER – 7:00 PM -- Worship – Dr. Harry Reeder**

1 The Presbytery held its worship service with the singing of hymns and songs of
2 praise. . TE Harry Reeder, Senior Pastor of Briarwood PC preached from Luke
3 23 and the thief on the cross. Following the preaching of the Word, Dr. Reeder
4 spoke about the subject outreach and evangelism and entertained questions
5 from the floor.

6 The presbytery recessed for the evening at 9:20 p.m.

7 **PRESBYTERY RECONVENED**

8 The Moderator called presbytery to order and led in prayer. Presbytery
9 reconvened at 8:03 AM (CST) on February 16th with a time of worship through
10 songs and hymns and spiritual songs.

11 **SPECIAL ORDER -- 8:00 AM – MINISTERS & CANDIDATES COMMITTEE**

12 Presbytery voted to amend the docket and consider a special order by a vote
13 of 39 for and 0 against. (43 commissioners are registered and this gives us a
14 the necessary 2/3.)

15 The Ministers and Candidates committee requested that the presbytery again
16 go into executive session. The presbytery voted to do so.

17 A motion was made to draw up the following indictment against TE M. Swain:

18 In the name of the Presbyterian Church in America, Gulf Coast Presbytery
19 charges TE Michael Swain of violating his fourth and seventh ordination vows
20 (21-5) when he:

- 21 1. Was involved in the public scandal of his divorce;
- 22 2. Allowing the First Presbyterian Church of Niceville congregation to vote to
23 dissolve his pastoral relationship without informing them of the nature of
24 his personal and marital struggles; and
- 25 3. Allowing the Gulf Coast Presbytery to vote to dissolve his pastoral
26 relationship without informing them of the nature of his personal and
27 marital struggles.

28 These acts harm the peace, unity and purity of the church, and the honor and
29 majesty of the Lord Jesus Christ, as the King and Head thereof.(BCO 31-4)

30 Gulf Coast Presbytery therefore, cites TE Michael Swain to appear at our
31 May 10, 2005 meeting of presbytery to answer these charges at a time to be
32 determined by the Ministers and Candidates Committee and placed on the
33 docket as a special order. (BCO 31-4)

34 Gulf Coast Presbytery appoints TE R. Looper as prosecutor of these charges at

1 the next stated meeting of presbytery. (BCO 32-3 and 32-4)The motion carried
2 and the presbytery voted then come out of executive session.

3 TE Dekker then presented the rest of the Ministers and Candidates Committee
4 report to Presbytery. (**Appendix F**)

5 **05-15 EXAMINATIONS – TE W. CHANNEL**

6 Chairman W. Channel opened the report of the examinations committee with
7 prayer and introduced two men for examination. Mr. David Story is being
8 examined for ordination and is serving as RUF campus minister at Florida State
9 University. Mr. Rafael LaGuardia is seeking to transfer into Gulf Coast Presbytery
10 to receive a call as pastor of Covenant Reformed Presbyterian Church.

11 TE Channel called upon Mr. David Story, to come and preach his trial sermon for
12 ordination. Mr. David Story preached the word of God from Ephesians 4:1ff. This
13 portion of the exam was arrested.

14 RE R. Myers then examined Mr. Story and Mr. LaGuardia in the area of Christian
15 experience and sense of call to the ministry. This portion of the exam was
16 arrested.

17 TE S. Cloud examined Misters Story and LaGuardia in the area of English Bible.
18 This portion of the exam was arrested.

19 TE B. Tyson examined Misters Story and LaGuardia in the area of Theology.
20 This portion of the exam was arrested.

21 TE B. Tyson examined Misters Story and LaGuardia in the area of Sacraments.
22 This portion of the exam was arrested.

23 TE S. Cloud examined Misters Story and LaGuardia in the area of Polity. This
24 portion of the exam was arrested.

25 A motion was also made accept Mr. Story's transcripts,

26 Motion was made to sustain the examinations of Mr. Story and Mr. LaGuardia as
27 a whole. The motion carried.

28 A motion carried to receive Mr. LaGuardia by transfer of ordination from the ARP
29 upon his answering in the affirmative the questions for ordination and signing the
30 book of ministerial obligation.

31 The call to Mr. LaGuardia was read and approved and was found acceptable to
32 him. (**Appendix G**) The installation of Mr. LaGuardia was set for February 27,
33 2005 at 6:00 p.m. at Covenant Reformed Presbyterian Church in Daphne,

1 Alabama. The installation commission is composed of TE's R. Fennig, D. Miller,
2 and S. Cloud and RE's A. Sherling, B. Vernon, and H. Russell. TE Henry Morris
3 was also invited to be a guest of the commission.

4 A motion carried to receive Mr. Story into Gulf Coast Presbytery approve him for
5 ordination upon his answering in the affirmative the questions for ordination and
6 signing the book of ministerial obligation.

7 The presbytery extends a call to Mr. Story and approves the terms of said call
8 **(Appendix H)** as proposed by the Florida Joint RUF Committee.

9 The installation for Mr. Story was set for April 10th, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. in th
10 Werkmeister Reading Room in Dodd Hall on the campus of Florida State
11 University. The members of the commission are: TE's B. Evans, J. Watson, J.
12 Craft and C. Ryor. RE's J. Hayes, R. Feldman and T. Walker. TE J. R. Foster
13 was invited to be a guest of the commission in order to preach at the installation
14 service.

15 The committee then introduced TE John Hopwood to presbytery who currently a
16 member in good standing in Southwest Florida Presbytery is entertaining a call
17 from Grace Presbyterian Church in Madison, Florida as its pastor. Mr. Hopwood
18 was formerly a member of Gulf Coast Presbytery.

19 He examined him on his personal testimony and sense of call to the ministry. A
20 motion was made to receive Mr. Hopwood based on his previously approved
21 exam by this presbytery pending his statement that none of his views in theology,
22 sacraments, (see Minutes of the October, 1993 Stated Meeting of GCP) The
23 motion carried after Mr. Hopwood indicated that none of his views have changed.

24 The terms of the call was read, approved, and found acceptable to Mr. Hopwood.
25 **(Appendix I)**

26 The installation service was set for March 13, 6:00 p.m. at Grace Presbyterian
27 Church with the following elected as members of the commission: TEs D.
28 Rainwater, B. Evans and C. Ryor and REs M. Comer, R. Gibson, G. Ashley and
29 J. Hollingsworth.

30 **05-17 NEW BUSINESS**

31 A motion was made concerning the desire to have an overnight meeting again
32 next year at our February with the details to be worked out by the Executive
33 Committee.

34 TE D. Shackelford on behalf of the Administration Committee made a
35 recommendation that \$1,500.00 be approved to replace the Recording clerk's
36 laptop. The recommendation was seconded and approved. Note that the laptop

1 will remain the property of the Gulf Coast Presbytery if the present recording
2 clerk should resign his position.

3 Time & Place of the 98th Stated Meeting The next stated meeting of Gulf Coast
4 Presbytery will be held May 10, 2005 at 9:00 AM (Central) / 10:00 AM (Eastern)
5 at First Presbyterian Church, Niceville, Florida.

6 **05-18 REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

7 The following resolution of thanks was adopted:

8 *Whereas, we the members of Gulf Coast Presbytery, praise God for this*
9 *97th Stated meeting in the beautiful setting of Blue Springs Campgrounds.*
10 *We appreciated the opportunity for fellowship.*

11 *Therefore Be It Resolved that, Gulf Coast Presbytery desires that this will*
12 *become an annual event that will deepen and enrich our lives and*
13 *ministries.*

14 Resolution and Thanks Committee,

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16 Doug Miller, Chairman

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18 **05-19 ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSING PRAYER**

19 Presbytery adjourned at 12:07 (CST) by TE R. Fennig who closed with prayer.

20 Respectfully submitted,

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22 TE B. Hornick, Stated Clerk

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1 **GCP Corporation Meeting**

2 **Wednesday, February 16, 2005**

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4 Following adjournment of the Stated Meeting, the Corporation (Gulf Coast
5 Presbytery, Inc.) was convened with prayer by TE R. Fennig. A quorum
6 consisting of the registered commissioners of the 97th Stated Meeting of Gulf
7 Coast Presbytery was declared to be present.

8 A motion was adopted that TEs R. Hayes, B. Hornick, and D. Shackleford and
9 REs B. Luka, and R. Kohlin, be elected as members of Board of Directors of the
10 Corporation—GCP Inc.

11 The corporation was adjourned with prayer by TE D. Miller.

12 Respectfully submitted by,

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15 TE R. Hornick, Secretary of the Corporation
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1 **APPENDIX A**

2 **Minutes Of The Commission Of Gulf Coast Presbytery**
3 **To Install TE Joseph C. Grider as Senior Pastor**
4 **First Presbyterian Church – Niceville**
5 **Niceville, FL, January 16, 2005**
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8 The Commission appointed by Gulf Coast Presbytery to install TE Joseph C. Grider as Senior
9 Pastor met in the Senior Pastor’s office at 5:20pm, Sunday, January 16, 2005.

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11 The following members, constituting a quorum, were present: Teaching Elders William Tyson
12 (convener), Dewey Roberts, and Dennis Shackelford, and Ruling Elders Bob Burnet, Bruce
13 Clark, Jim Gerber, Floyd Johnson, Bill King, Ron Kohlin, Reggie Lewis, Rich Sander, and
14 Willie Smith.

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16 Mr. Tyson called the meeting to order and Mr. Roberts offered prayer. Mr. Shackelford was
17 elected Chairman and Mr. Kohlin secretary, without objection.

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19 The order of worship was reviewed and approved without objection. Without objection it was
20 agreed that the Commission would not meet again after worship to approve the minutes, but that
21 the Commission would grant to the TE representatives the authority to approve the minutes for
22 submission to Presbytery. At 5:30pm the Commission recessed with prayer by Mr. Tyson,
23 reconvening in the sanctuary at 6:00pm.

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25 Mr. Shackelford led the worship. Mr. Tyson preached the sermon, based on Hebrews 13:7-17,
26 and charged both Mr. Grider and the congregation of First Presbyterian Church – Niceville. An
27 offering was taken, designated for the support of candidates for the gospel ministry from this
28 church. Mr. Roberts posed the Constitutional questions to Mr. Grider, prayed for Mr. Grider and
29 the congregation, and made the declaration of installation. The Ruling Elders and Teaching
30 Elders gathered about Mr. Grider and laid hands on him as Mr. Roberts prayed.

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32 Mr. Grider pronounced the benediction after the congregation joined in singing “I love Thy
33 Kingdom, Lord.” The congregation and guests joined in welcoming their new pastor, after which
34 a reception was enjoyed in the church’s fellowship hall.

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37 Respectfully submitted,

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39 /s/ Ronald A. Kohlin
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41 Ronald A. Kohlin, Secretary
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1 **APPENDIX B**

2 **PROPOSED DOCKET**
3 **GULF COAST PRESBYTERY – 97th STATED MEETING**
4 **February 15 – 16, 2005 – 4:00 PM CST/5:00 PM EST**
5 **Blue Springs Campgrounds, Marianna, FL**
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- 7 1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer – 4:00 PM CDT
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9 2. Roll Call & Determination of a Quorum
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11 3. Approval of Printed Minutes
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13 4. Communications
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15 5. Adoption of Docket
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17 6. Introduction of Visitors
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19 7. Permanent Committee Reports
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21 a. Executive – TE R. Hornick, Stated Clerk
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23 b. Christian Education – RE Benny Youngblood
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25 c. Ministers and Candidates – TE Robert Dekker
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27 d. Mission to North America – TE Chuck Ryor
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29 e. Mission to the World – TE Dewey Roberts
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31 f. Reformed University Ministries -- TE Bob Hayes
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33 g. Administration – TE Dennis Shackleford
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35 SPECIAL ORDER – 6:00 PM – Supper
36 SPECIAL ORDER – 7:00 PM -- Worship – Dr. Harry Reeder
37 SPECIAL ORDER -- 8:00 AM – Examinations Committee
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39 8. Old Business
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41 9. New Business
42 a. Time & Place of 98th Stated Meeting – Tuesday, May 10, 2005 - First PCA, Niceville
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44 10. Reports of Standing Committees
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46 11. Adjournment and Closing Prayer – 12:00 NOON
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APPENDIX C

**Executive Committee Report
Tuesday, February 15, 2005**

I. MEETINGS

The Executive Committee met via conference call on Wednesday, January 19th at 10:00 AM CST.

II. ISSUES DISCUSSED

- A. Communications
- B. Committee Reports
- C. Docket
- D. Nominations

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

- D. That the docket be approved as presented.
- E. That the Executive Committee be constituted as a commission, for the purpose of electing commissioners to the Committee of Commissioners.
- F. That the following be elected:

- Review of Records -- TE
- Nominating Committee -- RE Ron Kohlin

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APPENDIX D

GULF COAST PRESBYTERY Mission to North America Report 02/15/05

- I. Summary of GCP-MNA Leadership Transition
 - A. TE Ryor reported that he attended General Assembly Mission to North “Key Leaders Training Conference” in Phoenix, AZ in January, 2005.
 - B. TE Ryor reported that the MNA committee will be meeting in March, 2005.
- II. Overview of Current Church Plants
 - A. Kings Bay Church in Panama City Beach progressing, however TE Scott Seidler is not at Presbytery to report in person.
 - B. TE Chuck Ryor, Pastor of Mission church CenterPoint Tallahassee, reports attendance of 200-250 each week, and a membership of 115. CenterPoint is progressing well, and continues to spearhead mercy ministry in Tallahassee.
- III. Conclusion
 - A. TE Darwin Box prayed for MNA’s efforts

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APPENDIX E

GULF COAST PRESBYTERY, INC.

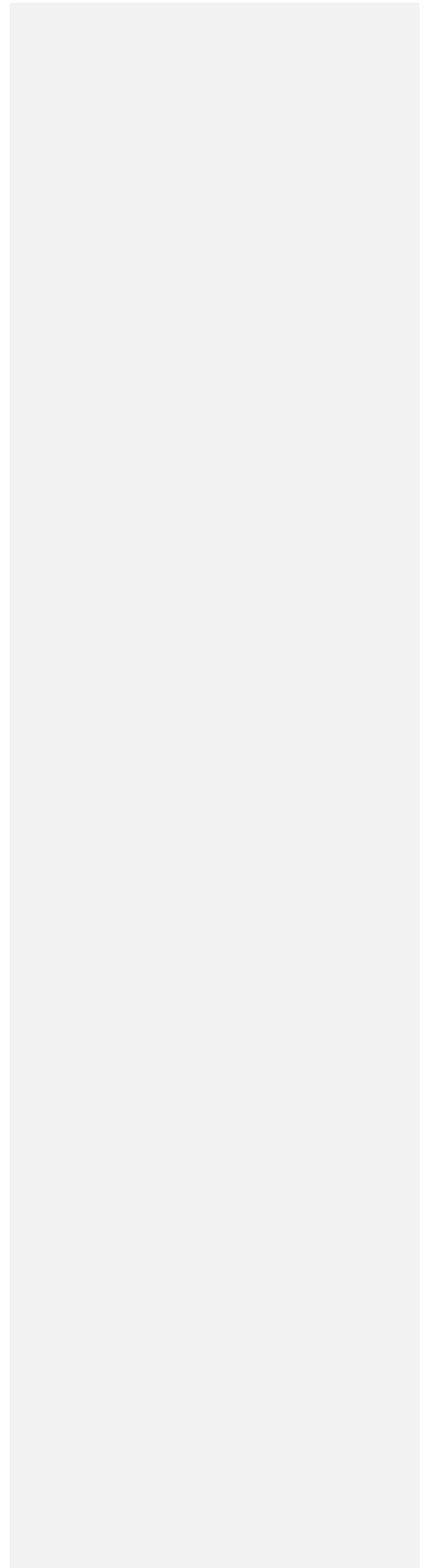
PROPOSED BUDGET

CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2005

	<u>2004</u> Budget	<u>2005</u> Budget
General Fund		
Administrative Expenses		
Executive		
Postage	\$450	\$450
Printing	800	800
Supplies	100	100
Telephone	800	1,300
Travel	500	500
Miscellaneous	100	100
Recording Clerk	850	925
Stated Clerk	<u>4,800</u>	<u>5,400</u>
Total	<u>8,400</u>	<u>9,575</u>
Administration		
Postage, Printing & Travel	100	100
Telephone	30	30
Web Site	<u>275</u>	<u>340</u>
Total	<u>405</u>	<u>470</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	750	750
Disater relief	<u> </u>	<u>2,400</u>
Total	<u>750</u>	<u>3,150</u>
Christian Education Committee		
Committee expenses	650	500
Conferences & Retreats	1,950	1,000
Speakers	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,000</u>

Total	<u>3,800</u>	<u>2,500</u>
Ministers & Candidates Committee		
Committee expenses	530	500
Conferences		<u>1,200</u>
	<u>530</u>	<u>1,700</u>
Examinations Committee		
Committee expenses	400	400
Reformed University Ministries		
David Story - Florida State University	6,300	6,300
	<u>6,300</u>	<u>6,300</u>
Total General Fund	<u>\$21,785</u>	<u>\$25,295</u>
Mission to North America Committee Church Planting Fund (Receipts)	<u>\$24,000</u>	<u>\$22,000</u>

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APPENDIX F

Ministers and Candidates Committee Report

Gulf Coast Presbytery
The November 2004 Stated Meeting
Presenter: TE Dekker, Chairman

THE MEMBERS:

Name	Class	Church	Contact #	
TE Robert Dekker	04	Concord, Gulf Breeze	(850) 932-6243	dekkerr@bellsouth.net
TE Scott Seidler	04	Kings Bay, Panama City Beach	(850) 774-5007	hesed77@knology.net
RE Jack Hollingsworth	04	Grace, Madison	(850) 929-4669	cmhollingsworth@earthlink.net
RE Bob Cooper	04	Fairfield, Pensacola	(850) 492-9567	cooperpp@cox.net
TE Rob Looper	05	McIlwain, Pensacola	(850) 438-5449	rob@mcilwain.org
TE Carl Pearson	05	Westminster, Milton	(850) 623-3731	westminsterpresmfl@earthlink.net
RE Ron Kohlin	05	First, Niceville	(850) 897-3301	sooline1@cox.net
RE Earl Smith	05	Westminster, Ft Walton		smithet311@aol.com
TE Bruce O'Neil	06	Eastern Shore, Fairhope, AL	(251) 928-0977	boneil@espcfairhope.org
TE Stephen Cloud	06	Fairfield, Pensacola	(850) 455-7245	pastorfpc@bellsouth.net
RE Frank Drew	06	Pinewoods, Pensacola	(850) 968-0274	frank.drew@cox.net
RE Frank Bierling	06	Wildwood, Tallahassee		fbierling@comcast.net

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THE MEETINGS:

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12 This Committee engaged in multiple e-mail interactions between Presbytery meetings. The Committee
13 met on January 19th at the Golden Corral.

THE MATTERS (addressed since last Presbytery Meeting):

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1. The request from TE Mike Swain for a letter to endorse him for VA Chaplaincy so that he might secure a permanent position.
 2. The request by TE Bob Evans to process the dissolution of TE Dudley Crowe at Wildwood.
 3. The request for pro-active assistant to the Elders within the presbytery.
 4. The request for help by Candidate James Kessler concerning his required internship.
 5. The request for assistance from churches still searching for a pastor.
 6. The need to update our MAC shepherding roster.

THE ACTIONS

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1. Before processing the request of TE Swain to have a letter of endorsement for the VA chaplaincy, the committee was apprised of the potential of request of the EPC Presbytery to transfer TE Swain into their presbytery, where he currently resides. The committee personally met with Mike to better understand his plan and his heart, especially in light of the significant changes in his

- 1 career and in his marital status. Our hearts were stirred and humbled as he honestly conveyed
2 what had transpired and how he is currently handling it.
- 3 2. At the February meeting, the Committee will revisit the potential for Fall Getaway for the benefit of
4 Pastors and their families.
 - 5 3. The Committee Chairman has been seeking to provide accurate data concerning those who are a
6 part of the Gulf Coast Presbytery. The updates provide the committee are readily available on
7 the committee work pages at <http://www.gulfcoastpres.org/Committe.htm>

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9 **THE MOTIONS:**

- 10 1. After seeking discernment from God, through the collective mind of His servants, the committee
11 unanimously recommended that the Gulf Coast Presbytery admonish TE Swain for failing to live
12 up to his ordination vows in points #4 and #7 while engaged in the considerations and during the
13 transitions from serving as pastor and as functioning as a husband.
- 14 2. The committee further offers to serve as a commission to expedite that process, if the presbytery
15 deems it necessary.

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APPENDIX G

FORM OF CALL
To Raphael “Ralph” LaGuardia
Taken from BCO 20-6

The terms of the call shall be approved by the congregation in the following or like form:

The Covenant Reformed Presbyterian Church being on sufficient grounds well satisfied of the ministerial qualifications of you, Raphael “Ralph” LaGuardia, and having good hopes from our knowledge of your labors that your ministrations in the Gospel will be profitable to our spiritual interests, do earnestly call you to undertake the pastoral office in said congregation, promising you, in the discharge of your duty, all proper support, encouragement and obedience in the Lord. That you may be free from worldly cares and avocations, we hereby promise and oblige ourselves to pay you the sum of \$50,000 a year in regular monthly (or quarterly) payments, and other benefits, such as manse, retirement, insurance, vacations, moving expenses, etc., during the time of your being and continuing the regular pastor of this church.

In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our names this twenty third day of January, A.D. 2005.

Attest: I, having moderated the congregational meeting which extended a call to Raphael “Ralph” LaGuardia for his ministerial services, do certify that the call has been made in all respects according to the rules laid down in the *Book of Church Order*, and that the persons who signed the foregoing call were authorized to do so by vote of the congregation.

Dieter Paulson
Moderator of the Meeting

1 **APPENDIX H**

2 **The Call to a Particular Ministry**

3 **to David Story**

4 The Gulf Coast Presbytery through its RUM Committee on Campus Ministry, being on sufficient
5 grounds well satisfied with your ministerial qualifications and having good hopes from our
6 knowledge of your labors that your ministrations in the Gospel -will be profitable to the spiritual
7 interests of college students at Florida State University, do earnestly call you, David Story, to
8 undertake the pastoral office of campus minister, promising you, in the discharge of your duty, all
9 proper support and encouragement in the Lord.

10 The terms of your call will be effective July 7, 2004. The total salary package will be salary of
11 \$23,000 and \$ 22,000 for housing; medical insurance (full coverage), annuity, 12 of
12 salary and housing (less death and disability insurance), and four weeks of vacation annually.
13 Moving expenses will be paid. It is understood that you will work with the Florida Joint RUM
14 Committee on Campus Ministry and Reformed University Ministries in regards to informing the
15 churches and individuals of the presbytery and others who are interested in the needs and God's
16 working through your leadership in this ministry, as we build a financial and prayer support base
17 for this ministry.

18 The above was approved by the Florida Joint RUM Committee on Campus Ministry, Presbyterian
19 Church in America on April 28, 2004 for submission to the Gulf Coast Presbytery on Winter
20 Meeting, 2005.

21 In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our name this ___th day of ____, A.D. ___.

22 Attest: I, having moderated the Presbytery meeting which extended a call to David Story for his
23 ministerial services, do certify that the call has been made in all respects according to the rules
24 laid down in the Book of Church Order, and that the persons who signed the foregoing call were
25 authorized to do so by vote of the Presbytery.

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27 **Rick Fennig**
28 (Moderator of me Meeting)

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APPENDIX I
The Call to a Particular Ministry
to John Hopwood

Grace Presbyterian Church being on sufficient grounds well satisfied of the ministerial qualifications of you, John M. Hopwood, and having good hopes from our knowledge of your labors that your ministrations in the Gospel will be profitable to our spiritual interests, do earnestly call you to undertake the pastoral office in said congregation, promising you, in the discharge of your duty, all proper support, encouragement and obedience in the Lord. That you may be free from worldly cares and avocations, we hereby promise and oblige ourselves to pay you the sum of \$52,000 a year which includes salary and other benefits. Salary payments will be \$25,000 paid in equal biweekly increments. Benefits totaling \$27,000 will be provided for by the church. These benefits include manse, utilities, retirement annuity, health insurance, car allowance and library and three weeks vacation first year, increasing to four weeks annually thereafter, during the time of your being and continuing the regular pastor of this church. Moving expenses will be provided.

In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our names this 30th day of January, A.D. 2005.

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Wetzel Blair	Helen G. Bland	Murray Comer, Chairman
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Dana James	Bob Smith	

Attest: I, having moderated the congregational meeting which extended a call to John M. Hopwood for his ministerial services, do certify that the call has been in all respects according to the rules laid down in the Book of Church Order, and that the persons who signed the forgoing call were authorized to do so by vote of the congregation.

Jack Hollingsworth
Moderator of the Meeting