

**ONE-HUNDRED FIRST STATED MEETING
 GULF COAST PRESBYTERY
 TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2006 -- 9:00 AM CDT / 10:00 AM EDT
 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, NICEVILLE, FLORIDA**

06-19 CALL TO ORDER & OPENING PRAYER

The 101st stated meeting of Gulf Coast Presbytery was called to order by moderator, RE Benny Youngblood at 9:01 a.m. (CDT) on Tuesday, May 9, 2006, at the First Presbyterian Church, Niceville, Florida. Mr. Youngblood opened the meeting by leading the presbytery in a responsive call to worship from 1 Chronicles 29. TE R. Dekker led the presbytery in the singing of the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy". RE Youngblood led the presbytery in prayer. TE Joe Grider preached a sermon entitled "Seeing Jesus Together" with reference to Colossians 1:15-18 and Hebrews 11:39 – 12:3. TE Dekker led the presbytery in the concluding hymn of "Fairest Lord Jesus."

06-20 ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was declared to be present with the following in attendance:

CHURCHES	TEACHING ELDERS	RULING ELDERS
Chattahoochee		S. Cowen
Christ, Mobile	D. Eide	
Christ Community Church		
Concord	R. Dekker	
Cornerstone, Destin		
Cornerstone, Tallahassee		
Covenant		R. Post
Covenant Reformed	R. LaGuardia	

Eastern Shore	B. O'Neil	B. Youngblood
	J. Fair	B. Luka
Fairfield	S. Cloud	B. Cooper
Faith, Robertsdale, AL	T. Barnes	K. Sanders
First, Atmore	W. Channell	
First, Niceville	J. Grider	J. Gerber
	D. Shackelford	
First, Panama City		
Grace Fellowship, Gulf Shores	R. Fennig	
Grace, Madison	John Hopwood	P. White
Grace Community, Mobile	J. Bryars	
Loxley	<i>(See Faith Robertsdale)</i>	A. Keuler
McIlwain	R. Looper	R. Myers
New Philadelphia		
Pinewoods	D. Anderegg	
Safe Harbor	T. Hughes	P. Belardino
		F. Rall
Warrington	R. Hornick	

Westminster, Fort Walton	W. Tyson	M. Bradford
Westminster, Tallahassee		
Westminster, Milton		
Wildwood	B. Evans	
	E. Hague	
	B. Pullen	

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OTHER TEACHING ELDERS

TEACHING ELDERS		TEACHING ELDERS
S. Bradford		C. Pearson
D. Box		S. Seidler
D. Miller		D. Story

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EXCUSED: Teaching Elders W. Cathey, J. Craft, S. DeVries, R. Gardner, D. Gilleran, M. Griffith, R. Hayes, M. Kirk, C. Phillips, J. Riggs, B. Sinclair, J. Watson, & R. Watson.

Ruling Elder Commissioners from FPC, Panama City, Westminster, FWB

VISITORS: Stephen Scott, David Jones, David Todd, Mrs. Spurgeon Cowen and Jeffrey Trostle.

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06-21 APPROVAL OF PRINTED MINUTES

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Minutes from the 100th Stated Meeting were approved as printed.

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06-22 COMMUNICATIONS

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1. Minutes from the commission to install TE Tom Barnes as the pastor of the Faith Presbyterian Church and the Loxley Presbyterian Church, found in order and printed in the minutes. (Appendix A)

- 1 2. Minutes of the commission to install TE Jeremy Fair as assistant pastor of the
2 Eastern Shore Presbyterian Church, found in order and printed in the
3 minutes. (Appendix B)
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- 5 3. Call from the Session, Wildwood Presbyterian Church to TE Jeff Trostle,
6 referred to the Examinations Committee.
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- 8 4. Call from the Session, Eastern Shore Presbyterian Church to TE Benny
9 Youngblood, referred to the Examinations Committee.
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- 11 5. Letter from the Stated Clerk, Central Carolina Presbytery notifying presbytery
12 of the transfer, pending reception, of TE David Jones to Gulf Coast
13 Presbytery.
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- 15 6. Letter from the Session, Concord Presbyterian Church inviting presbytery to
16 conduct her 102nd Stated Meeting in their facilities, referred to New Business.
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- 18 7. Application for scholarship funds to Covenant Seminary from Mr. Brian
19 Steadman, referred to the Ministers and Candidates Committee.
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- 21 8. Requests for excused absence from:
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23 Teaching Elders W. Cathey, J. Craft, S. DeVries, R. Gardner, D. Gilleran,
24 M. Griffith, R. Hayes, M. Kirk, C. Phillips, J. Riggs, B. Sinclair, J. Watson,
25 & R. Watson.
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27 Ruling Elder Commissioners from FPC, Panama City, Westminster, FWB

28 **06-23 ADOPTION OF DOCKET**

29 The docket was adopted as amended. **(Appendix C)**

30 **06-24 INTRODUCTIONS OF VISITORS**

31 Visitors to presbytery were introduced. (See 06-20)

32 **06-25 APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

33 The moderator appointed the following to serve on the Standing Committees of
34 presbytery:

35 **Bills and Overtures:**

- 36 • TE S. Cloud
- 37 • TE D. Shackelford
- 38 • RE R. Myers

- 1 • RE R. Post

2 **Resolution and Thanks:**

- 3 • TE D. Story, Chairman
4 • TE R. Looper
5 • RE A. Keuler
6 • RE S. Cowen

7 **06-26 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT – TE R. HORNICK, STATED CLERK**

8 A. That the docket be approved as presented. **(Appendix C)**

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10 B. That Commissioners to the Committee of Commissioners to the 34th GA be
11 elected.

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

13 Mr. Youngblood relinquished the chair to TE Rick Fennig

14 **06-27 EXAMINATIONS – TE B. O’NEIL**

15 TE B. O’Neil, chairman opened the report of the examinations committee with
16 prayer. He then introduced Mr. Benny Youngblood and Mr. Jeffrey Trostle to
17 presbytery. Mr. Youngblood is an ordained minister in the Evangel Church
18 Alliance and also is an ordained ruling elder at Eastern Shore Presbyterian
19 Church in Gulf Coast Presbytery. He has been called to serve on the pastoral
20 staff at Eastern Shore Presbyterian Church. Mr. Trostle is a graduate of
21 Covenant Theological Seminary, Tallahassee and has been ordained by the
22 Trinity Reformed Church. He is being called to the staff of Wildwood
23 Presbyterian Church in Tallahassee, Florida.

24 RE R. Myers examined the candidates in the area of Christian Experience and
25 sense of call to the ministry. A motion was made and carried to arrest this portion
26 of the exam.

27 TE S. Cloud examined the candidates in the area of English Bible. This portion
28 of the exam was arrested.

29 TE B. O’Neil examined the candidates in the area of Church History. This portion
30 of the exam was arrested.

31 **SPECIAL ORDER – 11:30 AM – SHARING AND PRAYER GROUPS**

32 Presbytery divided into small groups for sharing and prayer.

33 **SPECIAL ORDER – 12:00 – 12:45 PM - LUNCH**

1 Presbytery reconvened at 12:45 p.m. TE B. O'Neil resumed the report of the
2 Examinations Committee and continued with the examination of Mr. Benny
3 Youngblood and Mr. Jeffrey Trostle.

4 TE B. O'Neil examined the candidates in the area of Theology. After questions
5 from the floor, this portion of the exam was arrested.

6 TE B. O'Neil then examined the candidates in the area of Principles and Rules of
7 Government and Discipline of the PCA Book of Church Order. This portion of the
8 exam was arrested.

9 TE B. O'Neil examined the candidates in the area of Sacraments. This portion of
10 the exam was arrested.

11 Motion to sustain the examination as a whole for Jeffrey Trostle. The motion
12 carried.

13 Motion was made and carried to sustain the examination as a whole for Benny
14 Youngblood.

15 Motion was made to invoke the extra-ordinary clause in the case of Mr.
16 Youngblood. The effect of the motion is to wave the normal requirement of a
17 seminary degree and languages. The motion carried by a vote of 34-4-1.
18 Presbytery granted exceptions to Benny Youngblood ordination requirements on
19 a seminary degree and language requirements for the following reasons:

20 The purpose of seminary is a place to prepare a man for the gospel
21 ministry. We believe Mr. Youngblood fulfills the extraordinary exception
22 because he is an extraordinary man. For the past 20 years Mr.
23 Youngblood has faithfully worked on staff of several PCA churches and
24 the last five years as both a staff member and ruling elder at Eastern
25 Shore Presbyterian Church. Mr. Youngblood scored extremely well on all
26 five of his written and oral exams. Mr. Youngblood's preparation for
27 ministry has been learned by self-study and experience.

28 A motion was made to receive Mr. Youngblood by way of transfer from the
29 Evangelical Church Alliance in which Mr. Youngblood holds ordination
30 credentials, upon his signing the book of ministerial obligation. The motion
31 carried.

32 Presbytery deferred the constitutional questions to respective installation
33 commissions for Mr. Youngblood and Mr. Trostle.

34 The terms of the call to the Eastern Shore Church were read, approved, and
35 found acceptable to Mr. Youngblood and placed in his hands. **(Appendix E)**

1 The installation service was set for May 21, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. at Eastern Shore
2 Presbyterian Church with the following appointed to serve on the commission:
3 (Quorum -2 RE & 2 TE)

4	TE B. O'Neil	RE Don Barnes
5	TE R. Hornick	RE Bill Carrigan
6	TE M. Griffith	RE Bill Luka
7	TE J. Fair	RE Tripp Oliphant

8 A motion made to transfer Mr. Trostle's ordination from Trinity Reformed Church
9 into Gulf Coast Presbytery upon his signing the book of ministerial obligations.

10 Presbytery deferred the constitutional questions to respective installation
11 commissions for Mr. Trostle and Mr. Youngblood.

12 The terms of the call to the Wildwood Presbyterian Church were read, approved,
13 and found acceptable to Mr. Trostle and placed in his hands. **(Appendix F)**

14 The installation service was set for May 28th, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. at Wildwood
15 Presbyterian Church with the following appointed to serve on the commission:
16 (Quorum -2 RE & 2 TE)

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18	TE B. Evans	RE Bob Burton
19	TE S. Bradford	RE Greg Costas
20	TE E. Hague	RE Ken Walker
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22 Mr. Youngblood resumed the chair.

23 **06-28 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – TE B. PULLEN**

24 Mr. Pullen presented the report to presbytery. Motion made to receive the report
25 as a whole. The motion was approved. **(Appendix G)**

26 **06-29 MINISTERS & CANDIDATES – TE R. DEKKER**

27 TE R. Dekker presented the report to presbytery.

28 Whereas TE Spilman is actively searching for a call in order to keep is
29 credentials, we move to table the motion of demission until the October meeting
30 of Presbytery. The motion to keep on the table carried.

31 Annual reports on Candidates, Licentiates and out of bounds TEs was received
32 as information.

33 TE Dekker closed the report with prayer. The report was approved as a whole.
34 **(Appendix H)**

1 **06-30 MISSION TO NORTH AMERICA - TE C. RYOR, CHAIRMAN**

2 TE D. Anderegg led in prayer and then presented the report to Presbytery.

3 **1) Kings Bay Mission, Panama City Beach, FL**

- 4 • TE Scott Siedler reported that Kings Bay Mission is going well. Kings Bay
- 5 is now meeting at a new Comfort Inn on Panama City Beach, though there
- 6 attendance numbers are relatively consistent at this time, they are hosting
- 7 a number of new visitors each week.
- 8 • TE Seidler communicated that King's Bay continues to be financially
- 9 challenged.
- 10 • In regard to weekly worship needs, Scott shared that the Lord has
- 11 provided from within their number, the services of a weekly pianist.
- 12 • Scott continues to supplement his own income by "tent-making" as a part-
- 13 time real estate agent.

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15 **2) CenterPoint Church, Tallahassee, FL**

- 16 • TE Chuck Ryor reports that the Lord continues to bless His work at
- 17 CenterPoint.
- 18 • Attendance continues to be stable, with a continued demographic diversity
- 19 including a number of college students.
- 20 • For some time, Chuck expressed his desire to see an African-American
- 21 church planted in Tallahassee, as well as others planted in GCP.
- 22 • To that end, CenterPoint continues to sponsor "TCO – Tallahassee
- 23 Campus Outreach" which averages over 300 students each week, and
- 24 ministers at Florida A&M University.
- 25 • Joe Elliott continues to be in need of financial support. Prayer for financial
- 26 needs was requested.

27 **3) TE David Todd of South Coast Presbytery reported on Chaplaincy**

28 **Ministries, and prayer was offered.**

29 **4) Clarification was made in regard to the Committee's decision not to fund**

30 **the Marianna plant at this time.**

31 The report was closed with prayer asking God's blessing on the committee and

32 its work. The report as a whole was received. (See **Appendix I**)

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34 **06-31 MISSION TO THE WORLD - TE D. MILLER**

35 TE Doug Miller presented an oral report to presbytery.

36 **06-32 ADMINISTRATION – TE D. SHACKLEFORD**

37 TE D. Shackelford presented the Administration Committee's report to

38 presbytery. The following recommendations were adopted:

1 1. That the following churches submitted their Sessional minutes and records on
2 time to the 100th stated meeting of this Presbytery on February 7, 2006, and
3 that they be approved without exceptions of substance as follows:
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- 5 • Concord, Gulf Breeze, FL
- 6 • Covenant Reformed, Daphne, FL
- 7 • Westminster, Milton, FL
- 8 • Wildwood, Tallahassee, FL
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10 **REMINDER:** Be sure to check the Sessional Minutes Review Schedule for
11 changes and updates to your review date.
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13 2. That the following churches be noted as having failed to submit their
14 Sessional minutes and records to the 100th stated meeting of this Presbytery
15 on February 7th, 2006.
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- 17 • Chattahoochee, Chattahoochee, FL – Reported in today.
- 18 • Christ Presbyterian, Mobile, AL {Granted Deferment until May
19 2006 Stated meeting } – reported today
- 20 • Christ Community, Pensacola, FL
- 21 • Cornerstone, Destin, FL {Granted Deferment until October
22 2006 due to D. Roberts absence.}
- 23 • Cornerstone, Tallahassee, FL (Jim Watson) {Granted
24 Deferment until October 2006}
- 25 • Covenant, Panama City, FL (Hayes) {Granted Deferment until
26 October 2006}
- 27 • Eastern Shore, Fairhope, AL {Granted Deferment until May
28 2006 Stated meeting } – reported today
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30 3. Our Treasurer (Bill Luka) has informed our committee that he would like to
31 enlist the services of Al Keuler (our former Presbytery Treasurer), to conduct
32 an in house review of our financial records.

33 4. Mid- Year financial report has been made available for informational
34 purposes. (**Appendix J**)
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36 5. That this report be approved as a whole.

37 **06-32 FLORIDA JOINT COMMISSION ON RUF - TE D. SHACKLEFORD**

38 TE D. Shackleford gave the report to presbytery. He called upon TE D. Story to
39 give an oral report of the work of RUF at Florida State University.

40 Mr. Shackleford closed the report with prayer. The report as whole was
41 approved. (**Appendix K**)

42 **06-34 OLD BUSINESS**

1 **REPORT OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON HANDLING OUT-OF-**
2 **BOUNDS CALLS – TE B. O’Neil**

3 TE O’Neil presented the report of the Ad Hoc committee on handling out-of-
4 bounds calls. (This motion to amend our Standing Rules was docketed for a
5 second vote at this stated meeting of presbytery)

6 The motion carried by a vote of 31-0-0. **(Appendix L)**

7 **06-35 NEW BUSINESS**

8 Time & Place of 102nd Stated Meeting – Tue., October 10, 2006. An invitation
9 from the Concord Presbyterian Church, Gulf Breeze, FL .was accepted.

10 **06-36 REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS**

11 1. Resolution & Thanks - The following resolution of thanks was adopted:

12 **Whereas**, we the members of the Gulf Coast Presbytery praise God
13 for this its 101st Stated Meeting, and

14 **Whereas**, we appreciate greatly the gracious hospitality shown by our
15 host church, the First Presbyterian Church of Niceville, Florida and its
16 staff,
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18 **Therefore be it resolved that**, the Gulf Coast Presbytery express its
19 thanks and appreciation to the First Presbyterian Church of Niceville,
20 Florida and its staff for hosting our meeting, serving the delicious lunch
21 and seeing to our corporate and individual needs as a presbytery in
22 Session this ninth day of May, 2006.
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24 Respectfully submitted for the approval of Presbytery, May 9, 2006
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26 TE David Story, Chairman
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28 **06-37 ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSING PRAYER**

29 Presbytery adjourned at 4:01 PM (CST). TE R. Looper led in prayer.
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31 Respectfully submitted,
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33 TE R . Hornick, Stated Clerk

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1 **APPENDIX A**

2 **MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION OF GULF COAST PRESBYTERY**
3 **TO INSTALL The Reverend Thomas F. Barnes**
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7 The Commission appointed by Gulf Coast Presbytery to install The Rev. Thomas
8 Barnes as Pastor of the Faith Presbyterian Church and the Loxley Presbyterian Church
9 met in Robertsedale, Alabama at the Faith Presbyterian Church at 2:30 P.M., Sunday,
10 February 12, 2006.

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12 The following members were present: TE David Gilleran, TE. David Anderegg, TE
13 Stephen Cloud, RE Paul Allred, RE Kenneth Sanders, RE Lloyd Keuler, RE Benny
14 Youngblood and RE Albert Keuler
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16 The meeting was called to order by Mr. Gilleran and prayer was offered by Mr. Cloud.
17 Mr. Cloud was elected chairman and Mr. Sanders as secretary. The order of service
18 was reviewed and approved and the commission retired to the sanctuary for the service
19 at 2:50 PM. RE Lloyd Keuler presided and propounded the Constitutional Questions to
20 Mr. Barnes and to the Congregation. RE Kenneth Sanders read the Scripture and Mr.
21 Gilleran preached a sermon using 1 Timothy 4 as his text. Mr. Youngblood led in prayer
22 as Mr. Barnes was installed as Pastor of Faith Presbyterian Church and the Loxley
23 Presbyterian Church
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25 TE Stephen Cloud delivered a charge to Mr. Barnes. TE David Anderegg delivered a
26 charge to the congregation.
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28 TE Tom Barnes pronounced the benediction following the singing of a closing hymn,
29 and the members of the church came forward to welcome their new Pastor.
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31 The minutes having been read and approved, the closing benediction of the
32 newly installed pastor completed the business of the Commission.
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34 Respectfully submitted,
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37 //s// RE Kenneth Sanders , Secretary
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1 **APPENDIX B**

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3 **MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION OF GULF COAST PRESBYTERY**
4 **TO INSTALL The Reverend Jeremy Fair**

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8 The Commission appointed by Gulf Coast Presbytery to install The Rev. Jeremy Fair as
9 Assistant Pastor of the Eastern Shore Presbyterian Church, met in Fairhope, Alabama
10 at the Eastern Shore Presbyterian Church at 10:30 A.M., Sunday, February 12, 2006.

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12 The following members were present: TE J. Bryars, TE. Dieter Paulson, TE Bruce
13 O'Neil, RE Benny Youngblood, RE Newt Blackerby and RE Robby Smith.

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15 The meeting was called to order by TE D. Paulson and prayer was offered by TE Bruce
16 O'Neil. Mr. Paulson was elected chairman and Mr. O'Neil as secretary. The order of
17 service was reviewed and approved and the commission retired to the sanctuary for the
18 service at 10:30 AM. TE Deiter Paulson presided and propounded the Constitutional
19 Questions to Mr. Fair and to the Congregation. RE Benny Youngblood read the
20 Scripture and Dr. Bruce O'Neil preached a sermon using John 3:25-33 as his text. TE
21 J. Bryars led in prayer as Mr. Fair was installed as Assistant pastor of Eastern Shore
22 Presbyterian Church. TE Bruce O'Neil delivered a charge to Mr. Fair TE J. Bryars
23 delivered a charge to the congregation.

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25 TE Jeremy Fair pronounced the benediction following the singing of a closing hymn,
26 and the members of the church came forward to welcome their new assistant pastor.

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28 The minutes having been read and approved, the closing benediction of the
29 newly installed assistant pastor completed the business of the Commission.

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34 //s// TE Bruce O'Neil, Secretary

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1 **APPENDIX C**

2 **PROPOSED DOCKET**
3 **GULF COAST PRESBYTERY – 101st STATED MEETING**
4 **May 9, 2006 – 9:00 AM CDT/10:00 AM EDT**
5 **First Presbyterian Church, Niceville, FL**

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- 7 1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer
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- 9 2. Worship Service
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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
- 26 b. Examinations – TE Bruce O'Neil
- 27 c. Christian Education – RE Benny Youngblood
- 28 d. Ministers and Candidates – TE Robert Dekker
- 29 e. Mission to North America – TE Chuck Ryor
- 30 f. Mission to the World – TE G. Roberts
- 31 g. Administration – TE Dennis Shackleford
- 32 h. Reformed University Fellowship - TE Dennis Shackleford
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- 34 SPECIAL ORDER - 11:15 – MISSIONARIES
- 35 SPECIAL ORDER – 11:30 – SHARING AND PRAYER GROUPS
- 36 SPECIAL ORDER – 12:00 – 12:45 – LUNCH
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- 38 10. Old Business
- 39 a. Standing Rules Amendment
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- 41 11. New Business
- 42 a. Time & Place of 102nd Stated Meeting – Tue., October 10, 2006
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- 44 12. Reports of Standing Committees
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- 46 13. Adjournment and Closing Prayer

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1 **APPENDIX D**

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3 **Executive Committee Report**
4 **Tuesday, May 9, 2006**
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7 **I. MEETINGS**
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9 The Executive Committee met via conference call on Wednesday, April 12, 2006 at
10 10:00 AM CDT.
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13 **II. ISSUES DISCUSSED**
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- 15 A. Communications
 - 16 B. Committee Reports
 - 17 C. Docket
 - 18 D. Nominations
 - 19 E. Overnight Meeting
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22 **III. RECOMMENDATIONS**
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- 24 C. That the docket be approved as presented.
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- 26 D. That Commissioners to the Committee of Commissioners to the 34th GA be elected
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1 **NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE OF COMMISSIONERS**
2 **Gulf Coast Presbytery**

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5 **TEACHING ELDERS**

- 6 Bills & Overtures – Bruce O’Neil
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8 Covenant College – Chuck Ryor
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10 Mission to the World – Bill Tyson
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12 PCA Retirement & Benefits – Joe Grider
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14 Ridge Haven – Rick Fennig
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16 Reformed University Ministries – Rob Looper
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20 **RULING ELDERS**

- 21 Administration – Ben Brown, Wildwood, Tallahassee, FL
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23 Christian Education – Jim Richardson, Westminster, Fort Walton Beach, FL
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25 Covenant Seminary – Bill Carrigan, Eastern Shore, Fairhope, AL
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27 Interchurch Relations –
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29 Mission to North America – T. J. Neely, Grace Fellowship, Gulf Shores, AL
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31 PCA Foundation – Brock Hattox, Grace Fellowship, Gulf Shores, AL
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36 Floor Clerk (RE or TE) – RE Ron Kohlin
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38 Elder for Communion – Ralph LaGuardia
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APPENDIX E

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CALL OF BENNY YOUNGBLOOD
As Assistant Pastor
Eastern Shore Presbyterian Church
According to BCO 20-6.

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The Session of Eastern Shore Presbyterian Church being on sufficient grounds well satisfied of the ministerial qualifications of you, Benny Youngblood, 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 office of Assistant Pastor 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 \$65,000 a year in regular monthly payments, and other benefits, 4 weeks of vacation per year, during the time of your being and continuing the regular Assistant Pastor of this church. In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our names this 24th day of April, A.D. 2006.

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Attest: I, having moderated the Session meeting which extended a call to Benny Youngblood 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 person who signed the foregoing call is authorized to do so by vote of the Session of Eastern Shore Presbyterian Church.

Bruce O'Neil
Moderator

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APPENDIX F

CALL OF JEFFERY TROSTLE

As Assistant Pastor for Foreign Missions Wildwood Presbyterian Church

The Session of Wildwood Presbyterian Church, Tallahassee, Florida being on sufficient grounds well satisfied of the ministerial qualifications of you, Jeffrey Trostle, and having good hopes from our knowledge of your labors that your ministrations in the gospel will be profitable both to our congregation and the kingdom of God at large, do earnestly call you to undertake the office of Assistant

Pastor for Foreign Missions in said congregation, promising you, in the discharge of your duty, all proper support, encouragement and obedience in the Lord. Specifically, we promise you prayer support and to cover the expenses required to participate in the MTW assessment process. In addition, we promise to aid and assist you in getting to the mission field. In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our names this 4th day of May, 2006.

Robert S. Evans
Moderator of Session

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APPENDIX G

Christian Education Committee Report Gulf Coast Presbytery May 9, 2006

I. The CE Committee met March 1, 2006

II. Evaluated the Overnight Presbytery Meeting of February 2006

- a. Positive- involvement; Inviting an equipping Pastor to Preach and hold a seminar; facility; and keeping relational time built in to the schedule.
- b. Ideas for next year- Include a Church sharing time; plan in a corporation meeting a head of time and announce it; encourage Pastors to bring more deacons and church members to the meeting; consider the possibility of meeting the same time as WIC; consider planning a dual track training time during the afternoon for church members to attend and be equipped while the Elders are attending Presbytery meeting (regroup for dinner and worship).
- c. Possible speakers for next year: Randy Pope; Sandy Wilson, and Wilson Bennett.

III. Discussed Ideas for providing Education opportunities for Gulf Coast Presbytery

- a. Children's Retreat- in summers; possibility of joining in with Wildwood Presbyterian Church.
- b. PYF retreat
- c. CE Survey to make available to Churches
- d. Gather or develop other surveys and equipping material and make available to the Churches in GCP.

IV. We would like to remind everyone to check the CEP Website for great resources and retreats the PCA has available. <http://www.ppacep.org>

This concludes the Christian Education Report

1 APPENDIX H

2 **Ministers and Candidates Committee Report**
3 **Gulf Coast Presbytery**
4 **The May 2006 Stated Meeting**
5 **Presenter: TE Dekker, Chairman**

6 **THE MEMBERS:**

Name	Class	Church	Contact #	
TE Bruce O'Neil	06	Eastern Shore, Fairhope	(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
TE Robert Dekker	07 Ch	Concord, Gulf Breeze	(850) 932-6243 (850) 384-3106	dekkerr@bellsouth.net
TE Scott Seidler	07	Kings Bay, Panama City Beach	(850) 774-5007	hesed77@knology.net
RE Bob Cooper	07	Fairfield, Pensacola	(850) 492-9567	cooperpp@cox.net
RE Jack Hollingsworth	07	Grace, Madison	(850) 929-4669	cmhollingsworth@earthlink.net
TE Rob Looper	08	McIlwain, Pensacola	(850) 438-5449	rob@mcilwain.org
TE Carl Pearson	08	Honorably Retired	(850) 623-3731 (850) 994-6715	carl.pearson@mchsi.com
RE Ken Robinson	08	Eastern Shore, Fairhope	(251) 928-0977	KenRobinson@bellsouth.net
RE Earl Smith	08	Westminster, Ft Walton	(850)-243-2764	smithet311@aol.com

TE Dieter Paulson	Guest	Covenant Reformed PCA	(251) 625-1733	Mdieterp@aol.com
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12 **THE MEETINGS:**

13 This Committee engaged in several e-mail interactions between Presbytery meetings.
14 The Committee engaged in a lunch meeting in Mariana, following the Presbytery meeting.
15 The Committee engaged in a teleconference meeting on May 8.

16 **THE MATTERS** (addressed since last Presbytery Meeting):

- 17 1. The request from TE Rainwater about needs arising as a result of his interest to
- 18 become a church planter.
- 19 2. A request from concerning candidacy from the King's Bay Mission.
- 20 3. The required annual report for candidates, licentiates, and special TE's
- 21 4. A request from TE Spilman to table the motion for one more Presbytery meeting.

22 **THE ACTIONS**

- 23 1. The annual reporting of the candidates and licentiates will be a summary of the

1 responses. The committee expressed a desire to post their reports to our GCP website.
2 Those failing to submit the annual report will be sited to submit a report by the October
3 meeting. If there is a failure to report, the committee will commence the removal process.

- 4 **2.** The Committee approved the following changes to the rolls.
 - 5 **1.** The removal of Candidate Brooks due to his recent transfer
 - 6 **2.** The removal of Candidate McClain who has withdrawn his desire to be a
7 candidate
 - 8 **3.** The removal of Candidate Elliot who is now seeking to enter GCP by way of
9 transferring his ordination.
 - 10 **4.** The removal of Candidate and Licentiate Sid Philips as he has officially left the
11 PCA to join the Christ Anglican Church in Mobile (where his wife is a musician)
- 12 **3.** Candidate Roderick has not reported to GCP for some time. The MAC intends to
13 recommend his removal from the rolls at the October meeting, if no report is submitted.
- 14 **4.** TE Rainwater's request was delegated to one of our MAC member. That individual's
15 report indicated that the initial request for action and/or counsel was rescinded.
- 16 **5.** The Committee discussed the matter of TE Spilman, considering his most recent report.
17 We agreed that this process as laid out in the BCO has produced positive action in TE
18 Spillman's ministry search. We will recommend that the current motion for demission be
19 tabled until the October Stated Meeting.
- 20 **6.** The Committee Chairman has been seeking to provide accurate data concerning those
21 who are a part of the Gulf Coast Presbytery. The updates provide the committee are
22 readily available on the committee work pages at
23 <http://www.gulfcoastpres.org/Committe.htm>
- 24 **7.** MAC is seeking to keep an active list of available preachers. If you would like to be
25 included, send it to dekkerr@bellsouth.net.
 - 26 **1.** Sid Philips (Mobile Area) 251-973-1308 fortphillips@aol.com
 - 27 **2.** David Story (Tallahassee Area)
 - 28 **3.** Tim Locke (Pensacola Area)
 - 29 **4.** Jerry Robbins (Pensacola Area)
 - 30 **5.** Darwin Box (Tallahassee Area)
 - 31 **6.** Dieter Paulson (Daphne Area)
 - 32 **7.** Dennis (Niceville Area)

33 **THE MOTIONS**

- 34 **1.** Whereas TE Spilman is actively searching for a call in order to keep his
35 credentials, we move to table the motion of demission until the October meeting
36 of Presbytery.
- 37 **2.** The Annual required reports will be submitted for the sake of the minutes.
 - 38 **a.** Candidates and Licentiates
 - 39 **b.** Special TE's (out of bounds and without call)

1 **Ministers and Candidates Annual Report**
2 May 2006
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4 In accord with the Gulf Coast Presbytery's Standing Rules 407:1b and the corresponding points
5 of BCO 18-6, this annual report of the GCP Candidates and Licentiates is provided so that our
6 presbyters might pray for these men and personally encourage them as they follow their
7 individual callings into the gospel ministry of Jesus Christ.
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9 **Candidates on Roll:**

- 10 1. Matthew Carr
11 2. Bruce Clark
12 3. Justin Gischel
13 4. Jay Kessler
14 5. Mark Miller
15 6. Douglas Ramsey
16 7. Phil Roderick
17 8. Wilson Shirley
18 9. Brian Steadman
19 10. Scott Telhiard
20 11. Al Ward
21 12. Justin Stodghill
22 13. Alan Stanton
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24 **Licentiates on Roll: None**
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26 **Special Teaching Elders (Ministering Out of Bounds or Without Call)**
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28 TE Darwin Box
29 TE Timothy Rott
30 TE Keith Fagerheim
31 TE Mike Swain
32 TE Dieter Paulson
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34 **Sid Phillips**

35 June 6 2003 Confirmed desire to renew license. Committed to send letter to me ASAP with
36 request asked to fill vacant pulpits, No plan for ordination yet. 1 year of MDiv classes
37 complete
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39 7-28 called to confirm his joining of the Jim Bryars church on Sept 21 after taking the new
40 member's class on 9-12-03
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42 Steven Brooks was transferred to Central Florida Presbytery
43 Joe Elliott was removed
44 Charles McClain requested to be removed
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46 **REPORTS:**

1 **Matthew Carr**-- Matthew became a candidate in May of 2005. His wife is named Shannon.
2 His home church is Covenant PCA in Panama City, Florida. He is currently attending
3 Covenant Seminary in St. Louis, taking 14 credit hours this fall.

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5 **Bruce Clark** – Bruce became a candidate in May of 2005. He is a RE at First Presbyterian
6 Church in Niceville.

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8 **Justin Gischel**-- Justin became a candidate in May of 2005. He continues to be a member at
9 Concord PCA in Gulf Breeze, but is currently living in Maryland. He is not yet married. He
10 has just begun his seminary education through virtual classes administered from Westminster
11 Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. He has expressed a desire to become an Air Force
12 Chaplain after completing an MDiv. He has just secured a part-time position with a PCA church
13 in Bel Air, MD, working with their youth.

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15 **Jay Kessler**-- Jay became a candidate in GCP as a member of the Eastern Shore PCA . He has
16 graduated from Covenant Seminary. Having approved his internship requirements at our May
17 meeting, he is seeking ordination in a Church in Great Lakes Presbytery.

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19 **Mark Miller**- Mark became a candidate in May 2004. Mark is enrolled in Birmingham
20 Theological Seminary and has been regularly attending the classes offered at Eastern Shore PCA.
21 He is making great progress towards an MDiv degree, and is eager to begin an internship in
22 February.

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24 **Sid Philips**—Sid became a candidate in April of 1994. He is married. He has served as the
25 pulpit supply for a PCA church in Moss Point, MS. His home was recently damaged by
26 hurricane Katrina; he is doing most of the repairs. Sid recently indicated a special encounter
27 with God, which has fanned his flame to spread the gospel. Sid’s wife is currently serving as
28 the music director for a conservative Anglican church. He is now worshiping regularly with
29 them and is reconsidering what God is calling him to do. Sid’s license to preach was renewed
30 (for 4 more years) in October of 2003.

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32 **Douglas Ramsey**—Doug became a candidate in October 2002. He has recently returned to
33 Covenant Seminary after serving as a summer intern his home church, First Presbyterian, in
34 Niceville. He is not married and lives on campus. He is currently working at the Archeology
35 Institute in St. Louis. Doug has maintained a good GPA. His internship was initiated in
36 October, with the hope intent to include his summer ministry in Niceville.

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38 **Phil Roderick**-- No report was received.

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40 **Wilson Shirley**—Wilson became a candidate in May 2004. He is married to Laura, and is
41 currently pursuing an MDiv at RTS in Jackson, MS, having completed his first seven hours of
42 classes last fall. He is serving full time at the Highlands Presbyterian Church in Ridgeland, MS
43 as their Youth Minister. His wife is teaching 2nd grade at First Presbyterian Day School in
44 Jackson. He has testified that God is blessing his ministry there, as there has been great
45 parental and parishioner involvement around him to reach out to the rising generation. While

1 the church was seeking a pastor, Wilson was able to gain experience doing other tasks typically
2 met by the pastor. He was able to lead staff devotions regularly and preach occasionally.

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4 **Brian Steadman**—Brian became a candidate in May 2004. He is married to Jessie and is the
5 proud father of a little boy born on August 27, 2005. He has 3 more years at Covenant Seminary
6 in St. Louis. He is busy at school and is working part time at a bank. He is seeking to initiate an
7 internship with the Providence PCA in the near future.

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9 **Scott Telhiard**—Thank you for your call last week. I graduated this past May with an M.A. in
10 Biblical Studies. I decided in my first year that I was not called to the pastorate and switched my
11 program from M. Div to the M.A. God has blessed my wife and I with wonderful jobs here in
12 Jackson and we joined Brandon Presbyterian Church in 2004. I've been fortunate enough to be
13 able to teach Sunday School on a consistent basis as well as serving on 3 committees
14 (Discipleship, Home Groups and Christian Education). I have a heart for discipleship and
15 Christian education.

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17 **Al Ward**—Al became a candidate in Niceville. He is married to Allison. He is in his last year
18 at RTS in Jackson. He is eager to fulfill the internship requirements. His home church is
19 Eastern Shore PCA. He is currently working at Providence PCA in Jackson.
20 [mailto:aandaward@yahoo.com]

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22 **Tim Spilman** Dear Robert and the Committee,

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24 Please receive the following report concerning my situation:

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26 1) Regretfully, I will be unable to physically attend Tuesday's presbytery meeting. First, we have
27 only one car in our family, with four of us who have jobs in all directions (I borrowed a car and
28 some money in order to attend the last meeting in Marianna, but a similar loan is not available at
29 this time). Second, we simply can't afford at this time to travel up to the panhandle. Third, I have
30 an appointment on Tuesday here in Orlando that I cannot miss.

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32 2) I am regularly attending St. Andrew's Chapel, the church of R. C. Sproul, in Sanford, Florida
33 (though the church itself is not affiliated with a denomination, both R. C. and his associate pastor
34 are TEs in the Central Florida Presbytery of the PCA).

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36 I also now work in a paid position at Ligonier Ministries (R. C. Sproul's ministry).

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38 3) I am still looking for a ministry position.

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40 I am looking for a particular type of ministry, where the church is committed to, and passionate
41 about, "publishing" the Gospel in the surrounding world.

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43 My résumé is still out. I have heard from one church in Maryland and two in North Carolina, and
44 I will not pursue these churches any further. I haven't heard from a church in Michigan, and two
45 in Ohio.

1 Since I am still looking, and since it takes an indefinite period of time to search for a call, I
2 request that the Committee's motion concerning my credentials be tabled once more. I am
3 thinking that we could perhaps deal with this issue decisively at the Fall meeting of Gulf Coast
4 Presbytery, if not before then.

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6 Thank you for your kind consideration of my request.

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8 Sincerely in Christ,

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10 Tim Spilman

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APPENDIX I

Gulf Coast Presbytery Mission to North America Committee Report Stated Meeting of Presbytery May 9, 2006

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I. Activities of the Committee

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A.) Meetings:

10 1. The Committee met informally at noon, over lunch, at Presbytery, 5/9/06, in Niceville,
11 FL at First Presbyterian Church. TE Darwin Box, TE Scott Seidler, TE Jim Bryars, TE
12 Dave Anderegg were in attendance. TE David Todd, Navy Chaplain of South Coast
13 Presbytery was also in attendance.

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II. Reports

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1) Kings Bay Mission, Panama City Beach, FL

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- 17 ▪ TE Scott Siedler reported that Kings Bay Mission is going well. Kings Bay is now meeting
 - 18 at a new Comfort Inn on Panama City Beach, though there attendance numbers are
 - 19 relatively consistent at this time, they are hosting a number of new visitors each week.
 - 20 ▪ TE Seidler communicated that King's Bay continues to be financially challenged.
 - 21 ▪ In regard to weekly worship needs, Scott shared that the Lord has provided from within
 - 22 their number, the services of a weekly pianist.
 - 23 ▪ Scott continues to supplement his own income by "tent-making" as a part-time real
 - 24 estate agent.

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2) CenterPoint Church, Tallahassee, FL

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- 27 ▪ TE Chuck Ryor reports that the Lord continues to bless His work at CenterPoint.
 - 28 ▪ Attendance continues to be stable, with a continued demographic diversity including a
 - 29 number of college students.
 - 30 ▪ For some time, Chuck expressed his desire to see an African-American church planted in
 - 31 Tallahassee, as well as others planted in GCP.
 - 32 ▪ To that end, CenterPoint continues to sponsor "TCO – Tallahassee Campus Outreach"
 - 33 which averages over 300 students each week, and ministers at Florida A&M University.
 - 34 ▪ CenterPoint TE Joe Elliott is , continues to be in need of financial support. Prayer for
 - 35 financial needs was requested.

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2) TE David Todd of South Coast Presbytery reported on Chaplancy Ministries, 37 and prayer was offered.

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3) Clarification was made in regard to the Committee's decision not to fund the 39 Marianna plant at this time.

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- 41 ▪ Members of the MNA Committee desired to apologize for any misunderstanding which
 - 42 resulted from its decision not to fund Dennis Rainwater's request for church planting
 - 43 funds in Marianna at this time.
 - 44 ▪ The Committee did not make a decision to discontinue, or to shut down, the Marianna
 - 45 plant that was a work of TE Dennis Rainwater and the Chattahoochee Presbyterian

1 Church session, but instead decided that GCP MNA would not be able to “fund” this work,
2 at this time.

- 3 ▪ In the decision process, the Committee considered: current and anticipated fund
4 commitments and limitations, the viability of the Marianna core group, and the strategic
5 demographic concerns set forth in GCP MNA's approved Strategic Plans for Presbytery
6 initiated plants.
- 7 ▪ GCP MNA reaffirms its desire to see healthy, Christ-centered, gospel focused churches
8 planted in every community in the Gulf Coast regardless of demographic size.
- 9 ▪ Though supportive of any and all such works, the limitation of funds – according to the
10 funding or lack of funding provided by our own churches – prohibits of us from being
11 able to provide direct financial assistance to every effort.
- 12 ▪ Here, in smaller communities, we as a Presbytery must rely upon the Lord to raise up
13 “mother” churches with vision, desire, and resources, to plant churches in prospective
14 areas, and we applaud Chattahoochee Presbyterian for their efforts in Marianna, and
15 would encourage them to continue as the Lord leads them in this effort.

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17 **4) Members of Presbytery were reminded of the need to participate in Gulf Coast**
18 **MNA Disaster Relief.**

- 19 - GCP was made aware that in lieu of the upcoming Hurricane season, continuing
20 efforts to establish and coordinate a network with a representative from every
21 congregation in GCP is under way.
- 22 - The GCP MNA Disaster Relief Subcommittee requests that each congregation
23 participate by naming a “Key Leader” who would represent the congregation and
24 coordinate communication with other Key Leaders following a disaster within our
25 Presbytery bounds.
- 26 - Those who have not yet established a “Key Leader” were encouraged to already and
27 contact TE David Anderegg for more details.

28 **5) GA MNA events and resources were highlighted:**

- 29 ▪ Participation in GA MNA events highlighting revitalization, planting, Chaplaincy, Hispanic
30 and other international ministries, and Disaster Relief.
- 31 ▪ “Embers to a Flame” Revitalization Conference. (www.emberstoafame.org)
- 32 ▪ Vision Planners, LLC. (formerly “Fanning the Flame”). (www.visionplanners.com) or
33 gary.hitzfeld@visionplanners.com. Strategic planning services for churches.
- 34 ▪ ESL Conference... (678) 825-1253 Deb Parker
- 35 ▪ Mercy Ministry Conference... (www.pacep.org/mercy/index.htm)
- 36 ▪ Church Planter Basic Training... (www.pca-mna.org)
- 37 ▪ MNA Disaster Relief Volunteer Information (www.pca-mna.org)
- 38 ▪ Hispanic American Ministries... (www.pca-mna.org).

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41 **II. Recommendations:**

- 42 A. None.

APPENDIX K

GULF COAST PRESBYTERY, INC.

YEAR TO DATE BUDGET REPORT

FOUR MONTHS ENDED APRIL 30, 2006

	<u>2006 Budget</u>	<u>2006 Actual</u>	<u>2006 Receipts</u>
General Fund			
Administrative Expenses			
Executive			
Postage	\$450	\$94	
Printing	800	242	
Supplies	100	90	
Telephone	1,300	332	
Travel	500	0	
Miscellaneous	100	0	
Recording Clerk	925	225	
Stated Clerk	<u>5,400</u>	<u>1,800</u>	
Total	<u>9,575</u>	<u>2,783</u>	
Administration			
Postage, Printing & Travel	100	0	
Computer	1,500	1,473	
Telephone	30	0	
Web Site	<u>340</u>	<u>0</u>	
Total	<u>1,970</u>	<u>1,473</u>	
Mission to the World Committee			
Committee expenses	200		
Short-term Mission	<u>1,000</u>	<u>0</u>	
Total	<u>1,200</u>	<u>0</u>	
Mission to North America Committee			
Committee expenses	1,550	1,057	
Disater Relief	<u>2,400</u>	<u>800</u>	
Total	<u>3,950</u>	<u>1,857</u>	
Christian Education Committee			
Committee expenses	500	0.00	

Conferences & Retreats	1,000	(406)	
Speakers	<u>1,000</u>	<u>745</u>	
Total	<u>2,500</u>	<u>339</u>	
Ministers & Candidates Committee			
Committee expenses	500	0	
Conferences	<u>1,200</u>	<u>0</u>	
Total	<u>1,700</u>	<u>0</u>	
Examinations Committee			
Committee expenses	400	0	
Reformed University Ministries			
David Story - Florida State University	<u>12,000</u>	<u>4,000</u>	
Total General Fund	<u>\$33,295</u>	<u>\$10,452</u>	<u>\$14,441</u>
Mission to North America Committee Church Planting Fund (Receipts)	<u>\$22,000</u>		<u>\$3,477</u>

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GULF COAST PRESBYTERY, INC.

SUMMARY OF FUNDS

APRIL 30, 2006

General Fund	\$27,693.99
Mission to North America Committee Loan Fund	135,065.11
Mission to North America Committee Church Planting Fund	40,721.92
Designated Funds	1,579.28
Diaconal Fund	1,510.23
Mission Caring Fund	<u>300.00</u>
	<u>\$206,870.53</u>

LOCATION OF FUNDS

Compass Bank		
Checking		\$2,681.82
Checks on hand		13,376.77
Money Market Account, 1.292%		60,811.94
Certificates of Deposits		
3.633%, 14 months, due August 8, 2006		30,000.00
3.343%, 12 months, due September 8, 2006		20,000.00
3.000%, 24 months, due September 9, 2006		20,000.00
4.490%, 14 months, due February 28, 2007		20,000.00
3.500%, 18 months, due September 9, 2007		20,000.00
4.545%, 25 months, due January 28, 2008		<u>20,000.00</u>
		<u>\$206,870.53</u>

January 31, 2004
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APPENDIX K
Reformed University Ministries
Florida Joint Committee on Campus Ministry 4/26/2006
Orlando, Florida, Renaissance Airport Inn.

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Members Present:

Central FL Presbytery
TE Mike Osborne
TE Carl Smith.
Gulf Coast Presbytery
TE Dennis Shackelford
North Florida Presbytery
TE Rob Pendley
TE Steve Jennings
RE Bill Montgomery.
Southwest Florida Presbytery
TE Rod Culbertson (**Chairman**)
TE Steve Casselli
TE Lyle Caswell
South Florida Presbytery
TE Craig Branson
TE Michael Woodham
Sun Coast Presbytery
None yet
Gulfstream Presbytery
None yet

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Campus Ministers (CM) present:

David Story: FSU
Paul Joiner: USF
Steve Lammers: UF
Paul Boyd: UNF (JAX)

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Excused Absences:

Central FL Presbytery
RE Chris Akers
Gulf Coast Presbytery
TE Bob Hayes
TE Rob Looper
RE Richard Wilcox
North Florida Presbytery
RE Larry Eubanks
Southern Florida Presbytery
TE John Stephenson
Southwest Florida Presbytery

Guests: 1. Ande Johnson, guest and potential candidate for UCF, and his wife Kelly.
2. Clif Wilcox, Assistant Coordinator of the RUM permanent committee for the PCA.

1 1. **Rod Culbertson** opened the meeting at 1007 hours, with a devotional from Psalm 84. The
2 meeting was opened in prayer by several members of the committee.

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4 **2. Interview with Ande Johnson and his wife Kelly, CM Candidate for the UCF Campus
5 Ministry.**

6 Ande and Kelly gave brief testimonies. Ande gave a brief review of his calling and his
7 desire to work with RUM campus ministries, specifically at UCF. He and Kelly
8 answered questions. They were temporarily excused.

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10 The two previous Examination subcommittee interviews (2/16/2006 and 3/23/2006) and
11 recommendations were reviewed. Committee: Culbertson, chair, Smith, Osborne,
12 Montgomery, and Casselli.

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14 His work over the last 1-2 years on the campus of UCF with the campus ministry based
15 out of University Presbyterian Church was reviewed and is viewed as fruitful and
16 affirming. He has been under care of that church and has been mentored closely by Mike
17 Osborne. His strengths and weaknesses were discussed.

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19 The current financial status was reviewed and there is approximately \$30,000.00 in an
20 account for the ministry work at UCF. This money is primarily from the CF Presbytery
21 churches and is considered encouraging evidence of a desire by CF Presbytery to see this
22 ministry begin, though an anticipated affiliation agreement has not been created yet.

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24 The FJCCM unanimously believes that Ande Johnson is the man for this ministry.

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26 Recognizing the importance of this ministry, and also recognizing that the timing of
27 events is complicated logistically, the FJCCM enthusiastically and humbly puts forward
28 the following recommendation to CF Presbytery:

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30 It is **MSP** that the following recommendations are made to CF Presbytery

- 31 1. That Ande Johnson become the Campus Minister for the UCF RUF Campus
32 Work.
- 33 2. That he will start working June 1, 2006, paid by RUM Atlanta, so that he can
34 begin fund raising and training (RUM Atlanta) over the summer.
- 35 3. He will come before Presbytery at the next Presbytery meeting, in September
36 2006, for his licensing and ordination exams and for approval of his call from CF
37 Presbytery.

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39 Ande and Kelly were invited back in and informed of the recommendation.

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41 **3. Campus Minister's Reports**

42 **USF** - Paul Joiner reported on his two years at USF and was encouraged. He shared both praise
43 and petition prayer requests regarding the work and his family, especially Jill. The committee
44 prayed for Paul, his family and the work at USF.

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46 **FSU** - David Story reported on his two years at FSU and was generally encouraged. He is
47 getting to know his students and their spiritual needs better, as well as the demographics of his
48 particular campus. It was commented upon that David is doing especially well in his
49 relationships with all of the PCA and OPC churches in Tallahassee. He will be getting a male
50 intern in the Fall, Evan Scroggs, and RUM Atlanta will be providing training this summer for

1 CM to optimize utilization of interns. David’s wife is expecting their second child in mid-
2 October. The committee prayed for David, his family, and the work at FSU.

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4 **UF** – Steve Lammers reported on the Spring semester at UF, especially the Spring end of year
5 banquet held one week ago. He shared some of the testimony given by students at that banquet.
6 The Spring semester had a strong focus on service and included a service and mercy trip to Bay
7 St. Louis, MS, for work following the Katrina hurricane devastation. The committee prayed for
8 Steve, his wife Jenna and family, and the work at UF.

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10 **UNF** – Paul Boyd reported on an encouraging year regarding students and ministry. There has
11 been a stronger and more diverse Christian group who has really appreciated the faithful
12 teaching and preaching from Scripture, especially focusing on the Gospel. Because he is getting
13 more students from JU and from FCCJ he has changed the name from RUF UNF to RUF JAX.
14 The year has been especially discouraging financially. He is in the red about \$6000 currently
15 with more projected before the end of the year if there is no change in the level of support. This
16 is in spite of his spending much of his time in other churches trying to raise support. Clif
17 Wilcox gave an extemporaneous note of endorsement and encouragement to Paul from the
18 Atlanta RUM office as they see Paul doing a new and effective work in an urban setting such as
19 Jacksonville. Paul will also be getting an intern for the Fall, Greg Heidel. His wife Rachel is
20 pregnant with their second child. The committee prayed for Paul, his wife Rachel and son, and
21 the work at JAX.

22 23 **4. Financial Reports**

24 The audited financial reports from RUM Atlanta and the State of Florida campus
25 ministries have been made available for review. These are received as information and
26 no formal action is required.

27 28 **5. Discussion: Presbytery Committees and Members**

29 A. A communication from Rod Mays was distributed to the committee. There is interest
30 by the permanent committee in clarifying the roles of the RUM Joint Affiliate
31 committees (such as FJCCM) and the local Presbytery RUM Affiliate committees. It was
32 stated again that the joint committee is not functioning as a commission but is to focus on
33 development, strategy, and vision. This is to encourage the local Presbyteries to embrace
34 the commitment to RUM Campus Ministry.

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36 These roles are still somewhat ambiguous in our opinion, as discussed with Clif Wilcox,
37 and the FJCCM encourages RUM Atlanta to further clarify them functionally. As
38 understood at this time, however, motions/actions passed at the FJCCM, for example, are
39 intended as follows:

- 40 1. For reporting as information to the Presbyteries in Florida which are not
41 involved in the action directly, and
 - 42 2. For recommendation for action to those Presbyteries in Florida which would
43 be involved in the action passed by the FJCCM.
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45 Therefore it is **MSP** that actions taken (motions passed) at our regular FJCCM
46 meetings will be summarized at the end of the minutes so that all will know what is for
47 information and what is for action for which Presbyteries.

48 In light of the above, and since the FJCCM structure is to be composed of members of the
49 Presbytery level RUM Committee,

50 it is **MSP**

- 1 1. that the FJCCM recommends that each Presbytery in Florida, including the
2 two new Presbyteries, create a Presbytery level RUM Committee if it does not
3 already exist, and
4 2. that from the membership of that local Presbytery level RUM Committee
5 come the representatives to the FJCCM.
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7 **6. Report on GA RUM Committee Decision on Area Coordinators**

8 This item was not discussed at the current meeting.
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10 **7. South Florida RUF financial deficit**

11 This item was not discussed at the current meeting.
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13 **8. Interns**

14 The interns coming to the Florida campus ministries this year have been listed in the CM
15 reports previously in these minutes.

16 Evan Scroggs to FSU with David Story

17 Greg Heidel to JAX with Paul Boyd
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19 **9. MSP** to adjourn. The meeting was closed in prayer by Rod Culbertson at 1620 hrs.
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21 Respectfully submitted,

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23 Bill Montgomery

24 Appointed Clerk of Committee.

25 Date: 4/26/2006
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28 **ATTACHMENTS:**

29 1. Summary of motions requiring reporting or action:

30 A. **MSP** that the following recommendations are made to CF Presbytery

31 1. That Ande Johnson become the Campus Minister for the UCF RUF Campus Work.

32 2. That he will start working June 1, 2006, paid by RUM Atlanta, so that he can begin
33 fund raising and training (RUM Atlanta) over the summer.

34 3. He will come before Presbytery at the next Presbytery meeting, in September 2006, for
35 his licensing and ordination exams and for approval of his call from CF Presbytery.

36 For recommended action: Central Florida Presbytery.

37 For information in report: all other Presbyteries.
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39 B. **MSP**

40 1. That the FJCCM recommends that each Presbytery in Florida, including the two new
41 Presbyteries, create a Presbytery level RUM Committee if it does not already exist, and

42 2. That from the membership of that local Presbytery level RUM Committee come the
43 representatives to the FJCCM.
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45 For recommended action: those Presbyteries which do not currently have a Presbytery
46 level RUM Committee.

47 For information in report: those Presbyteries which already have a Presbytery level RUM Committee.
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3 **APPENDIX L**

4 **THE NATURE OF THE CALL OF TEACHING ELDERS AND THE HANDLING OF**
5 **OUT-OF-BOUNDS CALLS**

6 The issuing of calls to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery is relevant to the work of
7 two permanent committees of Presbytery: 1) the Examinations Committee, which must
8 review the terms of all calls; and 2) the Ministers and Candidates Committee, which
9 must maintain contact and report on men on the roll of Presbytery without call, who may
10 become the object of a request for out-of-bounds service, as well as report regularly to
11 Presbytery on those with out-of-bounds calls.
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13 To ensure that our united practice is in conformity with the Book of Church Order [BCO
14 8-7; 20-1; and 2 1-1], the Ministers and Candidates Committee and the Examinations
15 Committee of the Gulf Coast Presbytery have settled on a common approach to out-of-
16 bounds calls.
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18 When making recommendations to Presbytery concerning the ordination of men with
19 calls to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery [BCO 20-1] or the approval of calls to
20 teaching elders to labor outside the bounds of Presbytery [BCO 21-1] --that is,
21 invitations to the Gospel ministry which do not originate from a local church in
22 Presbytery and/or which are designed for service outside of the pastoral and
23 geographical bounds of Presbytery—the Examinations Committee and the Ministers
24 and Candidates Committee will evaluate such calls in light of BCO 8-5, 8-7 and 20-1,
25 which states:
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27 **8-5.** *When a man is called to labor as a teaching elder, it belongs to his order, in*
28 *addition to those functions he shares with all other elders, to feed the flock by*
29 *reading, expounding and preaching the Word of God and to administer the*
30 *Sacraments. As he is sent to declare the will of God to sinners, and to beseech*
31 *them to be reconciled to God through Christ, he is termed ambassador. As he*
32 *bears glad tidings of salvation to the ignorant and perishing, he is termed*
33 *evangelist. As he stands to proclaim the Gospel, he is termed preacher. As he*
34 *dispenses the manifold grace of God, and the ordinances instituted by Christ, he*
35 *is termed steward of the mysteries of God.*
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37 **8-7.** *A Presbytery may, at its discretion, approve the call of a teaching elder to*
38 *work with an organization outside the jurisdiction of the Presbyterian Church in*
39 *America, provided that he be engaged in preaching and teaching the Word, that*
40 *the Presbytery be assured he will have full freedom, to maintain and teach the*
41 *doctrine of our Church, and that he report at least annually on his work. As far as*
42 *possible, such a teaching elder shall be a member of the Presbytery within*
43 *whose bounds he labors.*
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45 **20-1.** *Before a candidate, or licentiate, can be ordained to the office of the*
46 *ministry, he must receive a call to a definite work. Ordinarily the call must come*
47 *from a church, Presbytery, or the General Assembly of this denomination. If the*

1 *call comes from another source, the Presbytery shall always make a record of*
2 *the reasons why it considers the work to be a valid Christian ministry.*
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4 Therefore, in light of BCO 8-5, 8-7 and 20-1, the Examinations Committee and the
5 Ministers and Candidates Committee will evaluate requests for a man to labor outside
6 the bounds of Presbytery and report to Presbytery concerning such labor, in terms of
7 the following criteria:
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- 9 1. Will the organization issuing the request to Presbytery engage the man in a valid
10 Christian ministry which would be approved by the Presbytery (BCO 20-1)?
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- 12 2. Will the organization issuing the request to Presbytery allow the man to preach
13 and teach the Word of God and, if appropriate to the ministry context, to
14 administrate the Sacraments in ways appropriate to the order of a teaching elder
15 and his call to the Gospel ministry (BCO 8-5)?
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- 17 3. Will this Christian ministry itself validate the nature of the call of a teaching elder
18 in the Presbyterian Church in America (BCO 8-5)?
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- 20 4. Will the organization issuing the request to Presbytery allow him full freedom to
21 maintain and teach the doctrine of our Church (BCO 8-7)?
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- 23 5. Will the organization issuing the request to Presbytery allow him to conduct his
24 ministry under the spiritual oversight of this Presbytery, including his reporting on
25 the work every six months, his faithful attendance and service within Presbytery,
26 and his genuine commitment to the local church (BCO 8-7)?
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- 28 6. Will the teaching elder submit a semi-annual report to the Presbytery through the
29 Ministers and Candidates Committee as to the Gospel ministry to which he is
30 called? Any change in status or responsibilities to the original call approved by
31 the Presbytery must be reported to the Presbytery through the Ministers and
32 Candidates Committee as soon as those changes take place (BCO 8-7).
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34 If these criteria are met, then in response to the organization's request an official
35 ecclesial call will be drafted by the Examinations Committee for Presbytery to issue to
36 the man, so that standards of the *Book of Church Order* and the regulations of U.S. tax
37 law for ministerial status may be clearly met. Pertinent tax codes include:
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39 *"Most services you perform as a minister, priest, rabbi, etc., are qualified services.*
40 *These services include: performing sacerdotal functions, conducting*
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