

1 CALLED MEETING OF GULF COAST PRESBYTERY
2 TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2008 -- 10:00 AM CDT / 11:00 AM EDT
3 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH -- NICEVILLE, FLORIDA

4 08-37 CALL TO ORDER & OPENING PRAYER

5 At the request of TEs Robert Dekker, Joseph Grider, Robert Hayes, and REs
 6 Lamar Allen, Brian Alaback and J. Rod Webb, Moderator Raymond Myers has
 7 called presbytery to meet on Tuesday, June 24th at 10:00 AM CDT/11:00 AM
 8 EDT at the First Presbyterian Church, Niceville, FL.

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 10 The meeting has been called for the purpose of:

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- 12 • Examining and receiving TE Cory Colravy, pastor-elect of the Covenant
- 13 Presbyterian Church, Panama City;
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- 15 • Acting upon the request of TE Tom Barnes for presbytery to appoint ruling
- 16 elders from neighboring churches to serve as an interim Session for the
- 17 Faith Presbyterian Church, Robertsdale, AL.
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- 19 • Enrolling Mr. Mark Cox as a candidate for the Gospel ministry.
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- 21 • Conduct any business that may arise from the above.
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23 The meeting of Gulf Coast Presbytery was called to order by Moderator Ray
 24 Myers at 10:09 a.m. (CDT) on Tuesday, August 24, 2008, at First Presbyterian
 25 Church, Niceville, Florida. TE J. Grider, host Pastor, opened the meeting with
 26 prayer and led presbytery in the singing of the hymn “Holy, Holy, Holy”.

27 08-38 ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

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

CHURCHES	TEACHING ELDERS	RULING ELDERS
Chattahoochee		
Christ, Mobile		
Christ Community Church		
Concord		
Cornerstone, Destin		
Cornerstone, Tallahassee		
Covenant	B. Hayes	Rich Simpson

		Lamar Allen
Covenant Reformed		
Eastern Shore	P. Fowler	
Fairfield	S. Cloud	B. Cooper
	D. Crenshaw	
Faith, Robertsdale, AL	T. Barnes	
First, Atmore	Jim Thorpe	Dennis Bilbo
First, Niceville	Joe Grider	
	Dennis Shackleford	
First, Panama City	Bill Lamkin	
Grace Fellowship, Gulf Shores	Rick Fennig	Paul McLain
Grace, Madison		
Grace Community, Mobile		
Loxley	T. Barnes	Albert Keuler
McIlwain		Ray Myers
New Philadelphia		
Pinewoods		
Safe Harbor		
Warrington	Bob Hornick	James Hansen
Westminster, Fort Walton	William Tyson	Scotty Roberston
Westminster, Tallahassee		
Westminster, Milton	Win Groseclose	
Wildwood		

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OTHER TEACHING ELDERS

TEACHING ELDERS		TEACHING ELDERS
Ralph LaGuardia		

EXCUSED

Requests for excused absence from TEs D. Anderegg, S. Bradford, W. Channell, R. Dekker, S. DeVries, R. Gardner, M. Griffith, C. Gwin, M. Kirk, R. Looper, D.

1 Paulson, J. Riggs and B. Sinclair.

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3 **VISITORS**

4 TE Cory Colravv (Central Georgia Presbytery), Mark Cox, Glenn Bishop and
5 Tyler Pimental.
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7 **08-39 COMMUNICATIONS**

- 8 1. Letter from TE Robert Dekker, et. al requesting that presbytery be called to
9 meet. Presbytery found the call to be in order. (Appendix A)
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11 2. Letter from the congregation, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Panama City,
12 FL informing GCP of the ministerial call to TE Cory Colravv, Central Georgia
13 Presbytery; referred to the Examinations Committee.
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15 3. Letter from TE Tom Barnes requesting that presbytery appoint elders to serve
16 as an interim Session for the Faith Presbyterian Church, Robertsdale, AL.
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18 4. Letter from TE R. Fiol informing presbytery of the proper procedure to follow
19 in the appointment of Interim Sessions. Received as information.
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21 5. Requests for excused absence from TEs D. Anderegg, S. Bradford, W.
22 Channell, R. Dekker, S. DeVries, R. Gardner, M. Griffith, C. Gwin, M. Kirk, R.
23 Looper, D. Paulson, J. Riggs, B. Sinclair, and REs Commissioners from
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25 **08-40 ADOPTION OF DOCKET**

26 The docket was adopted as presented. (Appendix B)

27 **08-41 INTRODUCTIONS OF VISITORS**

28 TE Cory Colravv, Mr. Mark Cox, Mr. Glenn Bishop and Mr. Tyler Pimental were
29 introduced and cordially welcomed to presbytery.

30 **08-42 EXAMINATIONS – TE S. CLOUD, CHAIRMAN**

31 TE S. Cloud presented the report to presbytery. Presbytery voted to proceed to
32 examine and receive TE Cory Colravv (Central Georgia Presbytery). Mr. Colravv
33 has been called by the Covenant Presbyterian Church in Panama City, FL.

- 34 1. TE Cloud examined Mr. Colravv in the area of Christian experience and his
35 sense of call to the Gospel ministry. After questions from the floor, this portion
36 of the exam was arrested.
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38 2. TE Cloud then examined Colravv on his views in the area of theology.
Following questions from the floor, this portion of the exam was arrested.
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40 3. TE Cloud then examined Colravv on his views in the area of sacraments.
After questions from the floor, this portion of the exam was arrested.

- 1 4. TE B. Hayes next examined Colravy on his views in the area of polity. This
2 portion of the exam was also arrested.
- 3 5. Mr. Colravy indicated he had no exceptions to the Westminster Standards.
- 4 6. The exam as whole of Mr. Colravy was sustained and approved as a whole
5 and he was received into Gulf Coast Presbytery by transfer from Central
6 Georgia Presbytery. Mr. Colravy signed the book of ministerial obligations.
- 7 7. The call to Mr. Colravy was read, approved and was found acceptable to him.
8 (See Appendix B)
- 9 8. The installation of Mr. Colravy was set for August 24, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. at
10 Covenant Presbyterian Church, Panama City, Florida. The following were
11 appointed to serve on the installation commission: RE's Lamar Allen, Rod
12 Webb, and Rich Simpson from Covenant Presbyterian Church, and TE's Bob
13 Hayes, Richard Watson and Bill Lamkin. The presbytery gave the commission
14 the power to invite TE Mike Ross to be a guest of the commission.

15 This concluded the report of the Examinations Committee.

16 **08-43 MINISTERS and CANDIDATES REPORT**

17 The presbytery considered a letter from TE Tom Barnes requesting that
18 presbytery appoint elders to serve as an interim Session for the Faith
19 Presbyterian Church, Robertsedale, AL.

20 The presbytery approved the following motions:

- 21 1. That presbytery direct the congregation of Faith Presbyterian Church to
22 meet on Sunday, July 13, 2008 for the purpose of requesting that
23 presbytery appoint ruling elders from neighboring PCA congregations to
24 serve as an interim Session.
- 25 2. Pending the request from the congregation of Faith Presbyterian Church,
26 that presbytery appoint RE A. G. Keuler and RE (to be named later) to
27 serve as an interim Session for a period of time not to exceed one year
28 from the date of the request.

29 Mr. Mark Cox withdrew his application for ministerial candidacy until the
30 fall meeting of presbytery, October 14, 2008.

31 **08-44 ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSING PRAYER**

32 Presbytery adjourned at 11:41 PM (CDT) TE R. LaGuardia led in prayer.

33 Respectfully submitted,
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35 TE Robert Hornick, Stated Clerk
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APPENDIX A

June 1, 2008

RE Raymond Myers, Moderator
Gulf Coast Presbytery

Dear Sir:

The undersigned request that a meeting of Gulf Coast Presbytery be called to conduct the following business:

- Examining and receiving TE Cory Colravy, pastor-elect of the Covenant Presbyterian Church, Panama City, FL.
- Acting upon the request of TE Tom Barnes to appoint an interim Session for the Faith Presbyterian Church, Robertsedale, AL;
- Enroll Mr. Mark Cox as a candidate for the Gospel Ministry;
- And to conduct any businedd that might arise from the above.

Sincerely,

The Reverend Robert Dekker

Mr. Lamar Allen

The Reverend Joseph Grider

Mr. Brian Alaback

The Reverend Robert S. Hayes

Mr. J. Rod Webb

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APPENDIX B

Called Presbytery Meeting -- Gulf Coast Presbytery
First Presbyterian Church, Niceville, FL
June 24, 2008

1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer – 10:00 AM CDT
2. Determination of a Quorum
3. Communications
 - Letter from TE Robert Dekker, et. al requesting that presbytery be called to meet.
 - Letter from the congregation, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Panama City, FL informing GCP of the ministerial call to TE Cory Colravy, Central Georgia Presbytery.
 - Letter from TE Tom Barnes requesting that presbytery appoint elders to serve as an interim Session for the Faith Presbyterian Church, Robertsdale, AL.
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 - Requests for excused absence from TEs D. Anderegg, S. Bradford, W. Channell, R. Dekker, S. DeVries, R. Gardner, M. Griffith, C. Gwin, M. Kirk, R. Looper, D. Paulson, J. Riggs, B. Sinclair, and REs Commissioners from
4. Approval of the Docket
5. Examinations Committee Report
6. Ministers and Candidates Committee Report

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APPENDIX C

Covenant Presbyterian Church
2350 Frankford Avenue
Panama City, Florida 32505-2297

The Call of Cory Dean Colravy

Covenant Presbyterian Church, Panama City, Florida, being on sufficient grounds well satisfied of the ministerial qualifications of you, Rev. Cory Dean Colravy, 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 \$42,000 a year in regular monthly payments a housing allowance of \$20,000 per year, plus health, disability, and life insurance, annuity, vacations, and moving expenses, during the time of your being and continuing the regular pastor of this church.

In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our names this 1st day of June, A.D. 2008.

J. Lamar Allen

Jesse L Bealor

Susan R. Moss

Jonathan H. Hayes

Jay N. Trumbull, Sr.

Karen H. Napier

Virginia M Zimmerman

Attest: I, having moderated the congregational meeting which extended a call to Cory Dean Colravy 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 the vote of the congregation.