

*Eastminster Presbytery*  
**JULY 2005**  
*Presbytery Meeting*

**JULY CALENDAR**

12	-	4:00 pm 5:00 pm	COM meets prior to Presbytery Meeting @ JBM Camp and Conference Center Presbytery Meeting @ JBM Camp and Conference Center
13	-	1-2:30pm	Interim Pastors Group @ Presbytery Center
14	-	6:00pm	Stewardship Action Learning Team @ Presbytery Center
16	-	7:00 pm	West Area Clergy and Spouses Potluck Picnic, @ Northminster Presbyterian Church, Cuyahoga Falls (picnic pavilion)
22	-		Deadline for ordering <u>The Price of Faith</u> , written by Marie Cross
23-30	-	*****	New Wilmington Missionary Conference @ Westminster College in New Wilmington, PA
28	-	9:30am	COM Executive Committee @ Presbytery Center
29	-	9:00 am 9:30 am	CLP@ Beeghley Medical Park Community Center COM East Area Subcommittee @ Youngstown , First Presbyterian Church

**AUGUST CALENDAR**

2		1:00pm	Common Ground Commission @ Presbytery Center
4	-	12:30pm	COM South Area Subcommittee @ Renee's in Canfield
8		9:30 am	Presbyterian Women @ Presbytery Center
9	-	5:00pm	Committee Night Meeting @ Petersburg Presbyterian Church
10	-	1-2:30pm	Interim Pastors Group @ Presbytery Center
17-18	-		Synod Council
25	-	4:00pm 5:00pm 6:30pm	Budget Negotiations for Committees @ Akron First Presbyterian Church Presbytery Coordinating Council @ Akron First Presbyterian Church Dinner followed by the Mission Visioning Council meeting
27	-	9:30-12:30pm	CLP's meet @ to be announced

*Helpful Items of information for pastors, presbytery commissioners, chairpersons of Session committees, and all congregational leadership.  
Please deliver this information to persons in your church whose service and ministry will benefit by it.*

**DIRECTIONS TO:**

**JOSEPH BADGER MEADOWS CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER**

7266 Hayes-Orangeville Rd.

Burghill, OH 44404

**From the WEST:** I-76 East to Youngstown, exiting on Rt. 80 (to New York/PA) following Rt. 80 to Rt. 11 North. Follow Rt. 11 to Rt. 305, exiting east and following to Rt. 7. Turn left onto Rt. 7 north at Hartford Center. Watch for junction of Rt. 609. About 8/10 of a mile past that junction and at the bottom of a small hill, turn right onto Hayes-Orangeville Rd. Camp is about a mile down that road on the right.

**From the SOUTH and EAST:** Take any convenient route to Rt. 7 north--(see above) or take Rt. 193 or Rt. 11 to Rt. 82 east. Turn north on Rt. 7 and continue north of Hartford Center, watching for junction of Rt. 609. Continue as above.

**From the NORTH:** JBM is about 7 miles south and 1 mile east of Kinsman. Take Rt. 7 south from Kinsman, turn left onto Hayes-Orangeville Rd., after passing through Burghill. If you get to the junction of Rt. 609, you've gone too far!! Camp is on the right.

Joseph Badger Meadows dining room is handicapped accessible however, it is grass/gravel getting to the dining hall. There is one very small concrete slab to go into the hall.

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## 2005 DIRECTORY CHANGES

We have several changes in the 2005 Eastminster Presbytery Directory already. Please update your 2005 directory with the following corrections. Remember much of the directory can be found at [www.faithfulness.com](http://www.faithfulness.com) under members area and using your password sent to all pastors.

PAGE	CHANGE
11	Add Inquirer Joe Hrach, Middler at Ashland Theological Seminary, Address: 4425 Regal Dr. Akron, OH 44321
11	Change address of Inquirer Elaine Dutton to 761 Indianola Ave., Boardman, 44512
14, 40	Change Todd Allen from AsP to Interim Pastor of Westminster Presbyterian
15	Change Canfield's DCE Liz Weingart's email to <a href="mailto:lizweingart@sbcglobal.net">lizweingart@sbcglobal.net</a>
15, 41	Add Interim Pastor Carolyn Griffeth to Canfield Presbyterian Church, email: <a href="mailto:CGriffeth@aol.com">CGriffeth@aol.com</a>
15, 34, 42	Change Rev. David Herron's email to <a href="mailto:PastorDave@NorthminsterChurch.org">PastorDave@NorthminsterChurch.org</a>
16	Change East Palestine's secretary to Deanne Bowers
16, 44	Add Al Shakely's email address <a href="mailto:202@wmconnect.com">202@wmconnect.com</a>
19	Change First Presbyterian Church of Niles' secretary to Michelle Haviland
20, 38, 40	Add IP Rusty Cowden's email address <a href="mailto:rusty@cogrila.net">rusty@cogrila.net</a>
24	Add CLP-Robert (Bo) Schneider to Gibson Height Presbyterian email: <a href="mailto:bofish31542@aol.com">bofish31542@aol.com</a>
25, 37	Change Ruth Brayer's email to <a href="mailto:Putter165@zoominternet.net">Putter165@zoominternet.net</a>
30, 35	Change Cal Bennett's email address to <a href="mailto:calbennett@neo.rr.com">calbennett@neo.rr.com</a>
30	Change Goldie Burrier's email address to <a href="mailto:gburrier@sbcglobal.net">gburrier@sbcglobal.net</a>

**Eastminster Presbytery**  
**NEWS & NOTES**

**West area clergy and spouses potluck/picnic** - Mark date on your calendar now for Saturday, July 16 at 7 p.m. picnic for west area clergy, spouses, CLPs, Christian educators, retired, active, and inactive pastors and their families at Northminster Presbyterian Church in Cuyahoga Falls (picnic pavilion). All welcome!

**Rev. Paul Graham**, former pastor of Liberty/Wickliffe/etc. died at 3 p.m. on June 23, 2005. A memorial service was held July 1 at the Presbyterian Church in Millersburg. Cards can be sent to the family at Dr. Janet Dailey, 225 E. Jackson St., Millersburg, OH 44654.

**Rev. Peter Lawson Update:** Peter was home for a 10 day leave. Things were busy at the Brownlee Woods Presbyterian Church with two hundred and forty-five people worshipping with Rev. Lawson. The neighboring Faith Community Church canceled their services to worship with Brownlee Woods. His wife, Joyce was the liturgist for the service while Rev. Braun filled her pulpit for this joyous event. Peter writes, "Wanted to let you know I am now in Kuwait. Arrived on 26 June. Don't know how long I will be here before pushing off to Iraq. Can't write much now as I only have this computer for a half hour. Will send more later and will keep you informed."

**Needles' Eye is in need of a good spinet piano.** Any church having an extra that they do not need would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Irma Davis at 330-783-2578.

**Can Peace Break Out?** Mark your calendars for Sunday afternoon, March 6, 2006 as Presbyterians of Eastminster will gather to honor the 25th Anniversary of our Presbyterian Church's commitment to "*Peacemaking: The Believer's Calling*." **G.A. Moderator Rick Ufford-Chase will be our dynamic keynote speaker!**

The Peacemaking Task Group is planning a richly rewarding afternoon for adults and youth (our Moderator's particular emphasis!). We will joyfully worship, have hands-on workshops, share resources, and celebrate our life in Christ, the Prince of Peace, as we explore our church's mission in the 21st century.

The Mineral Ridge Church is **looking for about a dozen children's chairs** for classroom use. If there is a church that has some in storage and would like to pass them on for good use, please call Carole Rummell at 330-652-4603, the church at 330-652-5712 or e-mail [bcrummell@aol.com](mailto:bcrummell@aol.com), [Vicarmark@aol.com](mailto:Vicarmark@aol.com) or [Jane.fpc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Jane.fpc@sbcglobal.net).

**Heavy rains and flash flooding** lead to a mudslide in the Guatemalan highland region of San Antonio Senahu on June 16. San Antonio Senahu is in the Central American nation's coffee growing region of Alta Verapaz and is located approximately 150 miles northeast of Guatemala City. Twenty-two people were killed in the mudslide, including a Presbyterian minister Jose Pop of the Kekchi-Polochic Presbytery and his 6-year old daughter. Pastor Pop was also an active member of the Conference of Evangelical Churches in Guatemala (CIEDEG), one of our partners in the region. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) Central American field staff, Carlos Cardenas Martinez, has been in contact with the community and has notified the Action by Churches Together network of the situation. PDA is committed to responding to this crisis as the assessment of needs is made known. Please keep the disaster survivors and the caregivers in your thoughts and prayers. Those wishing to respond financially may do so through normal mission giving channels. PDA \_01-09-0000000139.

*Come to the Pre-presbytery meeting on September 13 at 4:00 p.m. to hear more about:*

**“Do Hurricane Relief work with ‘Habitat’” - Pensacola, FL 2006 (June 24-July 2, 2006)  
sponsored by Eastminster’s Mission Committee**

Even before the Hurricanes of ‘04, “Habitat For Humanity” of Pensacola was working hard to build 50 houses a year. Now the need is so much greater. Not only for ‘05, but for ‘06 and beyond. They have requested a team from Eastminster Presbytery.

Rev. David Joachim (Westminster Church, Boardman) has led 2 teams to work with “Habitat”/Pensacola before. Teams stay at First Presbyterian Church’s “Noonan Center” (showers, full-kitchen, sleep on floors/air-mattresses; basketball court & game room; separate sleeping quarters for male/female). We do our own cooking (dinners); light breakfast; lunches at the work-site. We frame and roof a house in 5 days. Skilled or unskilled labor needed. Weather: *hot. Real hot.* Work from 7AM - 1PM. Afternoons free for resting, shopping or to the beautiful white-sand beaches.

Leave Youngstown on a Saturday 6/24/06; drive to Knoxville to overnight (in a church); drive to Pensacola.

Arrive Pensacola, Sunday 6/25/06

Depart the following Saturday 7/1/06; drive to Maryville, TN, to overnight; drive to Youngstown, arrive 7/2/06

[ note: the team may determine to make our return trip on Fri./Sat. 6/30 & 7/1 in order to be home for more of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend; that would cut out the “day of relaxation” in Pensacola ]

Cost: \$300-400 total (We drive our own vehicles; food costs; donation to the Noonan Center; \$100 to “Habitat” per person.)

**July 10, 2005, is the day set aside on the Presbyterian Program Calendar to observe the ministry of small churches within our denomination.** Most of our congregations are small – 100 or fewer members in worship attendance-so this day is especially significant to the PC (USA). We invite you to participate in this observance whether you’re a smaller, medium or larger congregation. Some people use numbers as the measure of congregational “success.” Those in small church ministry know that numbers, while important, are not the true measure of ministry. The health and vitality of a congregation is rooted in its response to the biblical imperative to go forth into the world to proclaim and witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ. The gospel reading for July 10<sup>th</sup> provides us with a particular image through the parable of the Sower. God continues to sow seeds within our congregations. We are to provide the “good soil” and open our ears and our eyes and our hearts to listen to the Spirit’s leading. Worship resources and bulletin inserts may be obtained from the Presbyterian Small Church Ministry Network office by downloading them from [www.pcusa.org/smallchurch](http://www.pcusa.org/smallchurch) for use on Small Church Sunday.

Please read and pass this on. It would be wonderful if 2005 were the year a cure for breast cancer were found!!!! The notion that we could raise \$35 million by buying a book of stamps is powerful! As you may be aware, the US Postal Service recently released its new **"Fund the Cure" stamp to help fund breast cancer research**. The stamp was designed by Ethel Kessler of Bethesda, Maryland. It is important that we take a stand against this disease that affects so many of our mothers, sisters and friends. Instead of the routine 37 cents for a stamp, this one cost 40 cents. The additional 3 cents will go to breast cancer research. A "normal" book costs \$7.40. This one is only \$8.00. It takes a few minutes in line at the Post Office and means so much. If all stamps are sold, it will raise an additional \$35,000,000 for this vital research.

## *Job Opportunities*

**Champion Presbyterian Church** is looking for a *Director of Children's Ministries*. This is a part-time, 20 hours per week, position. If interested send a cover letter and resume to: Champion Presbyterian Church, 4997 Mahoning Avenue N.W., Warren, Ohio 44483 or send electronically to myself Gary L Holt, Chairman Search Committee, at [ghwallyball@aol.com](mailto:ghwallyball@aol.com).

Qualifications include:

1. Person of Christian conviction and character
2. Experience with children's Christian education programming
3. Applicable undergraduate degree preferred

Responsibilities Include:

1. To lead, manage and supervise Sunday morning (2 services) & Midweek Christian education programming for children, birth through grade 6 and provide regular communication with parents, teachers and helpers.
  2. To supervise child care for infants and toddlers
  3. Overseeing and managing special events for children (such as VBS, field trips etc.
- Please visit our website [www.championpres.org](http://www.championpres.org) for more info about us.

**First Presbyterian Church**, Akron has a full-time position opening for a *Director of Community Development*. The primary function of this job entails developing community ministries incorporating both members and friends of the church and local college students to improve the neighborhood in which we worship. A few of the responsibilities would include developing and administer community programs such as tutoring and/or other after-school opportunities and Summer Day Camp. For more information call the church at 330-434-5183.

**Canfield Presbyterian Church** has the following three positions open: Nursery Caregiver, Children's Ministry Leader, and Youth Ministry Leader. Send resume to: Personnel Committee, Canfield Presbyterian Church, 140 W. Main Street, Canfield, OH 44406, Fax: 330-533-7004, or email: [canfpresb@aol.com](mailto:canfpresb@aol.com).

**Nursery Caregiver** - The Canfield Presbyterian Church in Canfield, Ohio is seeking a part time Nursery Caregiver. Candidate will be responsible for providing care for infants and toddlers (newborn through age 3) and helping them and their families experience the love of God in a safe, nurturing environment. Knowledge of care required for infants and toddlers. Good organizational and communication skills. Employment is part time of 10 hours per week, up to 40 a month and would require Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. To request a detailed job description, call the church office at 330-533-5509.

**Children's Ministry Leader:** The Canfield Presbyterian Church in Canfield, Ohio is seeking a part time Children's Ministry Leader. Candidate will be responsible for reaching out to children (ages PreK-6<sup>th</sup> grade) with the message of Christ's unconditional love, guiding them to grow into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Must have a desire to serve the Lord and work with children. Good organizational and communication skills. Elementary Education experience is a plus! This person will be responsible for running ministries such as Junior Church and Midweek Programs. Employment is part time of 20 hours per week, up to 80 a month and would require Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. To request a detailed job description, call the church office at 330-533-5509.

**Youth Ministry Leader** - The Canfield Presbyterian Church in Canfield, Ohio is seeking a full time Youth Ministry leader. This person will give leadership for the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Program and must reach out to the youth with the message of Christ's unconditional love. Must have a desire to serve the Lord and work with youth. Good organizational and communication skills. Training and/or experience in youth ministry would be required. This person will be responsible for running ministries such as Jr Hi Confirmation, Sr Hi Church School, youth groups, retreats and mission opportunities. Employment is full time of 32 hours per week, up to 130 a month. To request a detailed job description, call the church office at 330-533-5509.

Twenty five approximately **9 foot fluorescent light bulbs and 6 fixtures** were left in the basement of Eastminster Presbytery Center when purchased. If anyone has any use we would love to give these to you. Please let us know.

**Eastminster Presbytery Center is still decorating.** We have one really long hallway that we would love to fill with pictures of all of our churches in Eastminster. If you have a 4 x 6 or 8 x 11 or even a printed notecard we would love to have a copy so we could frame these.

Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education each year awards congregations in the Presbyterian Church (USA) for outstanding programs in early childhood education, excellence in Christian education, effective youth ministry and outreach and social concern. These four Congregation Awards are resented at the annual Association of Presbyterian Church Educators Conference (APCE). Since 1991, 55 churches in 24 states have received these awards. Each award carries a \$1000 contribution to assist the congregations in their ministries. If your church would like to apply for one of the Union-PSCE Congregation Awards, please call April Swofford for an application at (804) 254-8047 or 800 299-2990 ext 747 or e-mail [aswofford@union-psce.edu](mailto:aswofford@union-psce.edu). The deadline for the 2006 Awards is Nov. 1, 2005.

### **Conferences, Seminars, and Events**

**Mediation Skills Training Institute for Church Leaders** presented by the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center is designed to equip church leaders with the skills necessary to deal effectively with interpersonal, congregational, and other forms of group conflict. The five-day institute also includes a component on congregational intervention and consultation, placed within the context of family systems theory.

Aug. 1-5, 2005 in Des Plaines, IL; October 3-7, 2005 in Denver Colorado; and Nov. 14-18, 2005 in Atlanta, GA

**Interim Pastors' Seminar** endorsed by the Synod of the Pacific and Synod of Southern California & Hawaii will be held July 24-29, 2005 at Zephyr Point in Zephyr Cove, NV. Interim Pastor Education is for both those inquiring about this ministry and those already serving as interims. Spouses are encouraged to participate in the Spouse Track. The curriculum has been standardized for each regional site in coordination with General Assembly leadership and curriculum.

**The Spirit of Youth Ministry Conference** sponsored by the Exemplary Youth Ministry Project will be held August 4-6, 2005 in Farmington (Hartford), Connecticut. The Exemplary Youth Ministry Project is a study sponsored by the Lilly Foundation and has as its main objective the desire to study churches with healthy, spiritual mature, well supported exemplary youth ministry programs. What makes a church with a "GREAT youth ministry" Great? That is what the EY sought to study. Led by Roland Martinson, well known author, teacher and speaker in youth ministry, and co-sponsored by a number of denominations (including Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)), the study has uncovered wonderful insight. More information about the project can be found at the website [www.pcusa.org/youthministry](http://www.pcusa.org/youthministry) or [www.exemplarym.com](http://www.exemplarym.com). Registration is less than \$200 plus \$89/night hotel costs.

**10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of The Leadership Summit 2005** will be held August 11-13 at Willow Creek Campus in South Barrington, IL or, enjoy the experience via live satellite broadcast at one of 100-plus convenient locations. Registration can be found at [www.willowcreek.com](http://www.willowcreek.com) or 800.570.9812. Early bird rate and discounts for college and seminary faculty and students are available by June 30. Some keynote speakers include: Bill Hybels, Rick Warren, Mosa Sono, Eleanor Josaites, Curtis Sliwa, Ken Blanchard, John Maxwell, Colleen Barrett, Jack Groppel, Henry Cloud, and Kenneth Ulmer.

**Small Groups Conference 2005** will be held September 22-24 at Willow Creek. A dynamic combination of powerful main sessions and how-to training will sharpen individual skills while providing clear vision and new energy for the amazing, life-shaping potential of small groups. Main Session speakers include Larry Crabb, distinguished Christian psychologist and speaker and founder of New Way Ministries; Brian McLaren, author of *A Different Kind of Christian* and *The Story We Find Ourselves In* and founding pastor of Cedar Ridge Community Church; Bill and Gail Donahue, Executive Director of Small Group Ministry for Willow Creek Association; and John Burke, founding pastor of Gateway Community Church in Texas as well as executive director of ministries at Willow Creek Community Church. He has also written *No Perfect People Allowed: Creating a Come-As-You-Are Culture*. More information at [www.willowcreek.com](http://www.willowcreek.com) or call 1.800.570.9812.

**The Seven Percent Event 2005 called "Come Together"** will be held October 3-6, 2005 in San Francisco, CA. More information can be found at [www.pcusa.org/youngadult/sevenpercent/sevenpercent.htm](http://www.pcusa.org/youngadult/sevenpercent/sevenpercent.htm). Registration fee is \$350 and spouses and/or children are invited to participate. You have a unique perspective as a Minister of Word and Sacrament under the age of 40. Since you're younger than most Presbyterians, you also have challenging experiences.

**6<sup>th</sup> Annual Gathering of Presbytery Pastoral Care Network** will take place on October 3-6, 2005 at Princeton Theological Seminary. The program is called "*Beyond Pot Shots and Bull's Eyes: Building Healthy Pastor-Parish Relationships through a Mutual Evaluation Process.*" More information and registration can be found on [www.pastoralcarenetwork.org](http://www.pastoralcarenetwork.org).

**North Central Wee Kirk Conference called "Who Do You Say That I Am?"** will be held Oct 4-6, 2005 in Pokagon State Park in Northern Indiana. The Wee Kirk events are especially designed for pastors and lay leaders of churches of 125 members or less and offer opportunities for spiritual renewal and growth, and education in areas of pastoral care, ministry skills, evangelism, world mission and finances. The two-day conferences are packed full of relaxing fellowship and physical refreshment in beautiful surroundings. Some keynote speakers are Rev. James Edwards, Rev. Sara Juengst, Elder Frank Diaz and Dr. Lloyd Ogilvie. More information found at the presbytery office or email to [alleganpres2@yahoo.com](mailto:alleganpres2@yahoo.com).

**Northeast (PA) Wee Kirk Conference** is to be held October 17-19, 2005 in Mt. Pleasant, PA. Their purpose is to inspire, equip, motivate and encourage small PC (USA) Churches and to provide rest and refreshment for the clergy and lay leaders of those churches. Keynote speakers include Bob Kelly, Don Dawson, and Jim Farrer. A ministry of Presbyterians for Renewal is co-sponsored by Evangelism and Church Development, National Ministries Division, PC (USA) and the Synod of the Trinity. Questions can be directed to Mark Unrue at 740.922.9190 or emailed to [revun@sbcglobal.net](mailto:revun@sbcglobal.net)

**Promoting Healthy Congregations** will be held October 17-21, 2005 at St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt Michigan. This consulting training seminar is being sponsored by the Michigan Executive Presbyters and the Synod of the Covenant. The objective is "to train consultants to assist congregations in developing their own strengths, and opportunities to discern God's call; and to manage the reactivity that accompanies change and loss." The cost is \$350 if received by Sept 15 and \$375 is received after. The leaders of the seminar are the Rev. Dr. Jill Hudson and the Rev. Robert L. Hunter.

**A Mission Conference for Presbyterians** will be held Oct. 20-22, 2005 at Peachtree Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, GA. called "From Everywhere to Everyone: The New Global Mission." This is being sponsored by The Outreach Foundation and Presbyterian Frontier Fellowship in cooperation with the PC (USA)'s Worldwide Ministries Division. Enjoy inspiring presentations by world Christian leaders plus dynamic worship and scores of high-impact workshops designed to equip you and your congregation for fuller participation in God's mission. More information available at [www.globalmissionconference2005.com](http://www.globalmissionconference2005.com).

**"Open Our Eyes, Lord"**, a contemplative retreat experiencing God through our senses, will be held Oct. 23-25, 2005 at the Weber Center in Adrian MI. This is sponsored by the Spiritual Formation Task Force of the Synod of the Covenant. Brochures with registration forms were sent to churches in April.

# *Seeking to be Faithful Together:*

## **Guidelines for Presbyterians during times of Disagreement**

In a spirit of trust and love, we promise we will...

**G**ive them a hearing...  
listen before we answer

*John 7:51 and Proverbs  
18:13*

**S**peak the truth in love.

*Ephesians 4:15*

**M**aintain the unity of the  
Spirit in the bond of  
peace.

*Ephesians 4:3*

1. Treat each other respectfully so as to build trust, believing that we all desire to be faithful to Jesus the Christ;
  - We will keep our conversations and communications open for candid and forthright exchange,
  - We will not ask question or make statements in a way with will intimidate or judge others.
2. Learn about various positions on the topic of disagreement.
3. State what we think we heard and ask for clarification before responding, in an effort of be sure we understand each other.
4. Share our Concerns directly with individuals or groups with whom we have disagreements in a spirit of love and respect in keeping with Jesus' teaching
5. Focus on ideas and suggestions instead of questioning people's motives intelligence or integrity;
  - We will not engage in name-calling or labeling of others prior to, during, or following the discussion.
6. Share our personal experiences about the subject of disagreement so that others many more fully understand our concerns.
7. Indicate where we agree with those of other viewpoints as well as where we disagree.
8. Seek to stay in community with each other through the discussion may be vigorous and full of tension;
  - We will be ready to forgive and to be forgiven.
9. Follow these additional guidelines when we meet in decision making bodies;
  - Urge persons of various points of view to speak and promise to listen to these positions seriously;
  - Seek conclusions informed by our points of agreement;
  - Be sensitive to the feelings and concerns of those who do not agree with the majority and respect their right of conscience;
  - Abide by the decision of the majority, and if we disagree with it and wish to change it, work for that change in ways which are consistent with these guidelines.
10. Include our disagreement in our prayers, not praying for the triumph of our viewpoints, but seeking God's grace to listen attentively, to speak clearly, and to remaining open to the vision God holds for us all.

Adopted by the 2004<sup>th</sup> General Assembly (1992) of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) for use by sessions and congregations.

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EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERY MEETING COORDINATING COUNCIL  
JUNE 23, 2005

The Presbytery Meeting Coordinating Council met on June 23, 2005 at the First Presbyterian Church of Girard, Ohio, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Present were: Elder Ruth Cole, Moderator; Elder Tom Flower; the Rev. Sue Ann Schmidt;  
the Rev. Christine Ziem  
Excused were: Elder Stan Christensen and the Rev. Reford Nash  
Staff present: the Rev. Dan Schomer, General Presbyter; Marianne Lidstone, Administrative  
Assistant; the Rev. Meta Cramer, Stated Clerk

The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer by the Moderator, Elder Ruth Cole.

Motion prevailed to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2005 meeting.

The Moderator asked for a volunteer to attend Mission Visioning Council in August. Tom Flower volunteered.

There was discussion of an appropriate meal charge for meetings of the Presbytery Councils.  
Motion prevailed to recommend to the Presbytery that the meal charge for Council meetings be set at six dollars, said recommendation to be part of the July Consent Agenda. There was also discussion of providing some sort of receipt upon payment of meal charges at all Presbytery-related meetings.

Discussion ensued of the proposed docket for the July 11 meeting.

Motion prevailed to approve the proposed docket with the amendment of setting worship for thirty minute and the addition of ten minutes for a report from the JBM Committee, thus setting an anticipated adjournment time of approximately 8:25 p.m.

The Joseph Badger Meadows staff will be asked to make visits to the new Sabbath House possible during the pre-presbytery and dinner hours.

Motion prevailed that the July 11 offering be divided equally between the Akron Area Association of Churches and the Mahoning Valley Association of Churches.

The Council discussed and suggested answers to a questionnaire, which had been received from the Mission Visioning Council, regarding how this Council fulfills the priorities of the Presbytery.

The Moderator reported that there has been a request for ongoing descriptions of the Coordinating Council's work to be posted on the website. Sue Ann Schmidt volunteered to do this.

General Presbyter Dan Schomer reported on plans for the September 13 meeting, noting that six-eight workshops will be offered following a keynote presentation by the Rev. Dr. Marie Cross, Co-Executive of the Synod of the Covenant.

Motion prevailed to present the planned format of the September 13 meeting as an item in the July Consent Agenda, so that Moderators of Committees will be aware that business will be limited to one hour.

Motion prevailed to permit the Rev. David Joachim to make a pre-presbytery presentation on September 13 in order to publicize a Habitat for Humanity mission trip for the summer of 2006, approval of which will be requested at the July meeting, and to make a presentation before the January 2006 meeting which will provide information on organizing other mission trips.

The Council discussed the Mission Committee's request that missionary JoAnn Griffith preach on mission stewardship during September 13 worship or that the Presbytery docket the Committee an additional fifteen minutes to meet JoAnn.

Motion prevailed that JoAnn be guaranteed five minutes on the docket and that she be offered the opportunity to offer a workshop.

The Council considered its budget requests for 2006.

Motion prevailed that \$500 be budgeted for the Stated Clerk to attend the Fall Polity Conference and \$1500 for the Stated Clerk to attend the General Assembly.

It was announced that the Moderator of the General Assembly will be present on Sunday, March 5 for a Peacemaking event to be held at the Kent Church.

The Council discussed the timing of the March 2006 Presbytery meeting, at which a representative of the Theological Task Force on Peace, Purity and Unity, Elder Mary Ellen Lawson from Redstone Presbytery, will be present.

Motion prevailed to hold the meeting on Tuesday, March 14.

Motion prevailed to dispense with a Saturday Presbytery meeting in 2006 without abandoning that concept for the future.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. with prayer by General Presbyter Dan Schomer. The next meeting will be held on August 25, 2005 at the First Presbyterian Church of Akron, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

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Meta Shoup Cramer, Stated Clerk

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EASTMINSTER PRESBYTERY MISSION VISIONING COUNCIL  
JUNE 23, 2005

Present: Elder Carole Rummell, the Rev. Harold Walker, Spiritual Discernment Advisor Molly Halter, Elder Peggy Richmond, the Rev. Rein Krone, Elder Goldie Burrier, the Rev. Ross Slaughter, Elder Tom Riley, the Rev. John Gruneich, the Rev. Paul Johnson

Staff Present: General Presbyter Dan Schomer, Stated Clerk Meta Cramer

GETTING CENTERED

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by the Moderator, Elder Carole Rummell. She announced that Dick and Carmen Ferris, Patricia Gruver and Ross Jackson were excused.

The docket was formed.

Molly Halter led the Council in a time of centering worship.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the April 28, 2005 meeting were corrected to show that Ruth Cole reported for the Presbytery Meeting Coordinating Council and that first names be included.

#### REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY MEETING COORDINATING COUNCIL

The Rev. Sue Ann Schmidt reported for the Presbytery Meeting Coordinating Council, commenting on the cost of council dinners, plans for the July meeting and offering, plans for the September meeting (including a one-hour limit on Presbytery business), the offer of workshop leadership to JoAnn Griffith, and the designation of a Tuesday evening meeting in March 2006.

#### A REQUEST FROM JBM

Camp Director Tom Riley and the Rev. Ross Slaughter, Moderator of the Joseph Badger Meadows Camp Committee, presented a request for permission to conduct a financial campaign for JBM in 2006, JBM's fortieth-anniversary year. \$600,000 was raised during a 1995 campaign. They presented a list of potential projects totaling \$250,000.

Dan Schomer mentioned that Ruth McCreath (former regional representative for the Presbyterian Foundation) will be approaching Eastminster Presbytery about becoming a part of the "Joining Hearts and Hands" campaign. Originally aimed at soliciting major gifts for new church development; it has since become a vehicle for some governing bodies to raise funds for their own purposes. It may or may not be possible for such an effort to be combined with a JBM campaign. Currently JBM is being used 55% of the time by Presbyterian groups. The Moderator asked that the last report completed by the Presbytery on JBM be distributed to the Council members.

#### PASTORS' RETREAT

Molly Halter reported on discussions regarding a Pastors' Retreat to be held mid-week at JBM. She proposed a retreat for October 3-5, 2005. The Rileys have suggested writing a letter to churches asking them to send and support their pastors in attending this. The Rev. Bill Jackson (former pastor at Westminster Church, Boardman) has accepted the invitation to be the leader, with the theme "Getting Into the Spirit of the Whole Thing."

Motion prevailed that the Mission Vision Council sponsor this Pastors' Retreat for October 3-5 as planned by Molly Halter and Tom and Karen Riley. It was noted that funds will be made available from the Communication and Nurture Committee.

#### CO-OPTED MEMBER FROM TRUSTEES

Motion prevailed that a member of the Trustees be co-opted to serve on this Council.

#### Co-opted member for Communication and Nurture Committee

Motion prevailed recommend to the Presbytery through the Consent Agenda that Curt Weingart, a member of the Petersburg Presbyterian Church with expertise in television, become a co-opted member of the Communication and Nurture Committee.

#### 2006 ASKINGS BUDGET

Motion prevailed that the 2006 Askings Budget be \$175.00.

### MISSION PRIORITIES AND SEVEN KEYS

The Council reviewed the reflections of committees, the Coordinating Council, and the Presbytery staff on the five mission priorities of Eastminster Presbytery and how these entities are contributing to the fulfillment of these priorities. Three committees did not provide input: Congregational Resources, Joseph Badger Meadows, and Communication and Nurture.

At least three committees saw themselves as contributing to the fulfillment of the priority of “Evangelism and Church Growth.” One responded to “Communication and Community Building with the Presbytery”; two to “Congregational Resourcing for Discipleship”; three to “Constitutional Responsibilities”; and two to “Missions.”

Three major concerns were expressed: decreasing membership; diminishing financial resources; and a serious deficit in our ability to communicate with one another. Discussion centered on whether the “Seven Keys” approach adequately addresses these issues. It was agreed that the remainder of the committees’ responses will be gathered and distributed.

### REPORT OF THE GENERAL PRESBYTER

Dan Schomer reported that he has attended two meetings of the General Assembly Council Mission Funding Task Force and one meeting of the General Assembly Council Mission Work Plan Group. He will be part of a team providing start-up seminars for new pastors in Ohio on September 14-15.

Dan also reported on two upcoming events on his calendar which conflict with Eastminster meeting nights. The first is an event offered by the FaithTrust Institute, “Sexual Abuse in the Ministerial Relationship: Basics on Clergy Ethics and Training the Trainers,” which will enable Dan to use these resources to train others. His attendance at this event has been endorsed by the Committee on Ministry. The second is a Middle Governing Body conversation on a new mission funding system, scheduled for December 13-15 in Dallas. Dan would miss December committee night but would be back for the December Council meeting.

Motion prevailed to endorse Dan Schomer’s attendance at these two events.

### EVALUATION

Several minutes were spent evaluating the evening’s meeting.

### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m. with prayer by Molly Halter. The next meeting will be held on August 25, 2005 at the First Presbyterian Church of Akron, at 7:00 p.m.

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Meta Shoup Cramer, Stated Clerk

The Church of Jesus Christ  
assembles as a  
Stated Meeting of Eastminster Presbytery

Pre-Presbytery Mission Groups Meet

- 4:00 Committee on Ministry  
Synod Commissioners Meeting
- 5:00 Gathering of God's People: Registration and Refreshments Assembly of Commissioners/Visitors & Convening  
Moderatorial Welcome and Comments  
Opening Worship and Prayer of Constitution
- 5:03 Assembly Formalities  
Business of the Clerk; Docket Presentation; Referrals; Correspondence; Recognition of Corresponding Members; Approval of Minutes of May 10, 2005 meeting
- 5:05 Presbytery Family Remembrances and Celebrations

Sharing and Supporting Our Ministries

- 5:11 Consent Agenda p. 15
- 5:13 Report of the General Presbyter p. 20-21
- 5:18 Coordinating Council
- 5:20 Evangelism and Church Growth – Dick Ferris
- 5:29 Trustees – Jim Henkel p. 35-40
- 5:39 Resource Center – Lorraine Jones p. 22-23
- 5:44 Common Ground – Steve Fortenberry
- 5:54 Congregational Resources – Jane Stoffer, Dan Schomer p. 24-25
- 5:59 Joseph Badger Meadows
- 6:09 Mission Committee – David Joachim, Dakota Group p. 26-29
- 6:20 Gunn Scholarship – Jim Ray p. 30
- 6:25 Synod Assembly – Joe Atkins p. 31
- 6:30 Fellowship at the Dinner Table
- 7:15 Presbytery at Worship

Sharing and Supporting Our Ministries (cont'd)

- 7:45 Committee on Ministry – Nick Mager p. 32
- 7:53 Miscellaneous Business
- 7:58 Evaluation
- 8:03 Report on Leave and Absence
- 8:13 Adjournment

Eastminster Presbytery  
Consent Agenda  
July 12, 2005

1. To receive for record the Minutes of the April 28, 2005 Presbytery Coordinating Council to be appended to the minutes of the May 10, 2005 meeting.
2. To receive for record the Minutes of the April 28, 2005 Mission Visioning Council to be appended to the minutes of the May 10, 2005 meeting.
3. That upon the recommendation of the Presbytery Coordinating Council, the offering of the July 12, 2005 stated meeting be divided between Mahoning Valley Association of Church and Akron Area Association of Churches.
4. That dismiss the Margaret Park Commission with thanks of the presbytery. The commission consisted of the Rev. David Herron, Elder Bill Hostutler (former CLP for Margaret Park Church), Elder Patricia Farmwald (Barberton), Elder Trella Johnson (Vienna), Elder Lynn Malcolm (Northminster), and Barbara Reinfield (Member of Margaret Park Church). See pages 16-17.
5. That upon the recommendation of the Margaret Park Presbyterian Church Ministerial Scholarship Fund makes changes as seen on page 18-19.
6. To continue all inquirers and candidates under care of Eastminster Presbytery for another year.
7. That upon the recommendation of the Presbytery Coordinating Council that the cost of the meal for the council meeting be \$6.00.
8. That upon the recommendation of the Coordinating Council that the September 13, 2005 meeting be limited to a one hour business meeting using the format list below:
  - 4:00 p.m. – Committee on Ministry and other pre-presbytery meetings
  - 5-6:00 p.m. – The essential business of the Presbytery
  - 6-6:30 p.m. – Presbytery worship (meeting adjourning with Benediction)
  - 6:30-7:15 p.m. – Dinner
  - 7:15-7:45 p.m. – Keynote Address by the Rev. Dr. Marie Cross
  - 7:50-8:35 p.m. – Workshops
  - 8:40-9:25 p.m. – Repeat of workshops
9. That upon the recommendation of the Mission Visioning Council that Curt Weingart, a member of the Petersburg Presbyterian Church with expertise in television, become a co-opted member of the Communication and Nurture Committee.
10. That upon the recommendation of the Mission Visioning Council that Elder Trella Johnson of the Trustees become a co-opted member of the Mission Visioning Council.

# The Northminster Church

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May 18, 2005

Dear Friends of Margaret Park Presbyterian Church,

Grace and peace to you through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. On behalf of the Margaret Park Presbyterian Church Commission of Eastminster Presbytery, I would like to bring you up-to-date regarding the Commission's actions:

1. Closed the Margaret Park Church checking account (\$22,290.19 balance) with the First Merit Bank in Akron.
2. Sent the proceeds of the above checking account via a bank check to Eastminster Presbytery for deposit to the established Margaret Park Presbyterian Church Scholarship Fund - Presbyterian Foundation funds.
3. Authorized the Presbytery's Treasurer to issue a check for \$100 from the above proceeds, payable to Arline Hukill for her services as Margaret Park Church's Financial Secretary.
4. Recommended to Eastminster Presbytery to dissolve (terminate) the Commission. **(This will result in no further reports.)**
5. Noted that each former member of MPPC should become a member of another Christian church for continued pastoral care.

I have also enclosed the **final** Margaret Park Presbyterian Church's Financial Summary (January 7, 2004 - February 28, 2005) submitted by Arline Hukill.

**Thank you** once again for your generous foresight in establishing the Margaret Park Presbyterian Church Memorial Scholarship Fund. Henceforth, all funds will be handled through the Presbytery's Margaret Park Presbyterian Church Memorial Scholarship Fund Committee (Barbara Reinfeld is your Representative). **This is a great testament to your continued faithfulness to the ministry of Christ Jesus! God Bless!!**

On Behalf of Your Co-workers in Christ,  
David Herron, Moderator  
Eastminster Presbytery Commission on the  
Dissolution of Margaret Park Presbyterian Church:

Bill Hostutler, Secretary  
Pat Farmwald  
Trella Johnson

Lynn Malcolm  
Barbara Reinfeld

**MARGARET PARK PRESBYTERY CHURCH  
FINANCIAL REPORT**

**JANUARY 2004**

Checking Account Balance January 7, 2004 \$ 105,006.45

**INCOME** (no income)

**EXPENDITURES**

Eastminster Presbytery (General Mission Pledge) 375.00  
Checking Account Balance February 1, 2004 104,631.45

**FEBRUARY 2004**

**INCOME** (no income)

**EXPENDITURES**

Presbyterian Church USA (Margaret Park Pres. Ch. loan payoff) 6,900.00  
Eastminster Presbytery (Per Capita - 19 members for 2003) 380.57  
Checking Account Balance March 1, 2004 97,350.88

**MARCH 2004**

**INCOME** (no income)

**EXPENDITURES**

Eastminster Presbytery (Per Capita -(3 members for 2002)) 60.09  
Checking Account Balance April 1, 2004 97,290.79

**APRIL & MAY 2004**

No income or expenses occurred.  
Checking Account Balance June 1, 2004 97,290.79

**JUNE 2004**

**INCOME** (no income)

**EXPENDITURES**

Eastminster Presbytery Margaret Park. Presbyterian Church 75,000.00  
Scholarship Fund  
Checking Account Balance July 1, 2004 22,290.79

**JULY - AUGUST - SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER - NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2004  
and JANUARY 2005**

No income or expenses occurred.  
Checking Account Balance February 1, 2005 22,290.79

**FEBRUARY 2005**

**INCOME** (no income)

**EXPENDITURES**

Eastminster Presbytery Margaret Park Presbyterian Church 22,290.79  
Scholarship Fund  
Checking Account Balance February 28, 2005 - 0 -

**Checking Account Closed February 28, 2005**

Arline Hukill

## MARGARET PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MINISTERIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

**Preamble:** *The objective of the Margaret Park Presbyterian Church Ministerial Scholarship Fund is to provide a mechanism for the continued celebration of the Ministry of the former Margaret Park Presbyterian Church in the work of Jesus Christ in Eastminster Presbytery.*

**Purpose:** To establish a scholarship fund for individual(s) who are pursuing a career in ministry and are attending an accredited Seminary as defined below, in order to assist with the **reduction or to prevent the incurring** of educational debt for qualified new pastors serving with Eastminster Presbytery.

### Definitions:

*Accredited Seminary* – (to be defined by Committee on Preparation of Ministry)

*Award* - Amount of money awarded to a particular person.

*First Call Pastor(s)/ Co-Pastor(s)* – Persons who have received their Master of Divinity Degree from an accredited seminary within two years of their “Call.”

*Fund:* Margaret Park Presbyterian Church Ministerial Scholarship Fund

*Fund monies:* Principal, all ‘return of investment’ monies, and other contributions.

*Student(s)* – Persons who are pursuing a Master of Divinity Degree from an accredited seminary.

### Qualifications:

*Student(s)* must be an Inquirer or Candidate in covenant relationship with Eastminster Presbytery and be attending an accredited Seminary. Such *student(s)* must have completed one year of full time seminary education to qualify for an *award*.

*First Call Pastor(s)/Co-Pastor(s)* must be called within Eastminster Presbytery to qualify for an *award*. He or she must apply and be awarded monies only within two years of his/her ordination.

### Award Requirements:

*Student(s)*, as outlined in the above definition and qualification, may receive an amount up to a maximum of ~~\$5,000 for each year~~ **\$10,000** after the **equivalent of the first full time year of** seminary study. ~~Awards may be granted for a maximum of two (2) years of study.~~ **No more than \$5,000 will be awarded in any one 12-month period.**

*First Call Pastor(s)/Co-Pastor(s)*, as outlined in the above definition and qualification, may receive an amount up to a maximum of ~~\$5,000 per year~~ **\$10,000**. **No more than \$5,000 will be awarded in any one 12-month period.** ~~Awards may be granted for a maximum of two(2) years.~~

~~In all cases~~ **Ordinarily**, the *Awards* will be paid directly to the lending or educational institution so as to assist with the **reduction or to prevent the incurring** of educational debt. The exact amount of the *award* in all cases will be determined by the administrators of the *Margaret Park Presbyterian Church Ministerial Scholarship Fund*.

**Fund Administrators:** At least two (2) members of the Presbytery’s Committee on Ministry; two (2) members of the Presbytery’s Committee on Preparation for Ministry, one (1) member of Presbytery Trustees, one (1) member of Presbytery’s Committee on Mission, and one (1) former member of the Margaret Park Presbyterian Church.

**Condition of Existence:** The *Fund*, including all monies, is to be invested with the Presbyterian Foundation. The *Fund* will continue to exist through the use of the principal monies, “return on investment” monies and other contributions until all *Fund monies* are depleted. The *Fund* is to be administered by a commission established by the Eastminster Presbytery, or succeeding Presbytery, and must include representatives as defined above as *Fund Administrators*.

Annually the recipients of *Awards* will be recognized and reported to the Presbytery by the *Fund Administrators* thus ensuring that the former Margaret Park Presbyterian Church legacy will be celebrated in the work of Jesus Christ

**PRESBYTERY MISSION & VISION STATEMENTS & MISSION PRIORITIES,**

Adapted..with apologies to Phoebe P. Knapp and Fanny Crosby  
*(sung to the tune of Blessed Assurance)*

**Assist congregations to do the mission of Christ**

**Provide leaders with care and resources**

**Do the things Presbyterians must do**

**Show the world real justice and peace.**

**This is our story, this is our song,  
Praising our Savior all the day long;  
This is our story, this is our song,  
Praising our Savior all the day long.**

**Let's be a people who grow in our faith**

**Sharing the love of Jesus with all**

**Serving with care, compassion, and thought**

**Partners in dynamic missional service**

**This is our story, this is our song,  
Praising our Savior all the day long;  
This is our story, this is our song,  
Praising our Savior all the day long.**

**Evangelism and Church Growth**

**Communication and Community**

**Congregational Resourcing for Discipleship**

**Doing Constitutional Responsibilities**

**Mission with people both near and far**

**This is our story, this is our song,  
Praising our Savior all the day long;  
This is our story, this is our song,  
Praising our Savior all the day long.**

**The Report of the General Presbyter  
Eastminster Presbytery  
July 12, 2005**

Transformation—this term has become exceedingly popular in current books and articles, both religious and secular. Religious books and periodicals speak of transformed lives, transformational congregations, transformational governing bodies, and transformational leaders. Change is taking place all around us. The challenge for us is to be agents of change (transformation) in the name of Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The problem with transformation in the 21<sup>st</sup> century is that it can seem both chaotic and messy. Ron Heifetz (Harvard Business School) distinguishes between two kinds of change: technical and adaptive. Technical change involves addressing a problem when we know the answer or desired outcome. Adaptive change requires approaching a problem and seeking solutions when we do not know the answer or desired outcome. So much of what we are forced to deal with today involves adaptive change.

Chaotic and messy—in certain ways these words apply to church leadership in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. We all wish there was a magic pill to answer the many challenges the church faces, but we know that no such solution exists. Instead, armed only with our faith in Jesus Christ and our trust in the power of the Holy Spirit, we set out like the apostles after Pentecost, expecting that God has big plans and that we are somehow a part of those plans.

In May I attended my first meeting of the General Assembly Council (GAC) Mission Work Plan Group and in June I attended another meeting of the GAC Mission Funding Task Force. These two groups are responsible to struggle with transformational issues that will shape the future of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) from congregations, to presbyteries, to synods, and to the general assembly. I feel deeply privileged as well as humbled to be able to work with gifted and faithful Presbyterian sisters and brothers from all over the country. I am repeatedly awed at how much work we and the Holy Spirit are able to accomplish, sometimes in meetings limited to 24 hours. Even though our work feels chaotic and messy at times, God is bringing about transformation to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

What would a transformed meeting of Eastminster Presbytery look like? You'll have an opportunity to find out on September 13 when the Presbytery meets at Firestone Park, Akron. Please carefully read the information in the Presbytery Packet describing this meeting focusing on Stewardship. The creation of the format and content are a collaborative effort. The Presbytery Meeting Coordinating Council was willing to take the risk of radically altering our familiar agenda. The content of the meeting has resulted from the work of the Stewardship Action Learning Team, a task group of the Congregational Resources Committee. I am pleased to serve as convener and consultant for this diverse and talented group: Rev. Burt McGlawn (Congregational Resources), Elder Pam Sharick (Trustee), Rev. Dick Ferris (Evangelism & Church Growth), and Mr. Aaron Meadows (Director of Campus Ministry, Kent Church). While all the workshops are not finalized yet, we anticipate a most valuable experience for all who attend. I am most excited that the Rev. Dr. Marie Cross, Co-Executive of the Synod of the Covenant will be both the keynote speaker and a workshop leader.

**RESOURCE CENTER NEWS**  
**Eastminster Presbytery Office**

Email: [resourcecenter@faithfulness.com](mailto:resourcecenter@faithfulness.com)  
330-505-2167 or toll free 1-800-215-2416  
Lorraine Jones, coordinator

**Resource Center Hours:**

**Mon 1:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.**

**Wed 1:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.**

**Sat 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.**



Quick Calendar:

August 6	Hiroshima Day*
Sept. 4	Christian Vocation Sunday
Sept. 11-17	Christian Education Week
Sept. 18	Theological Education Sunday

\* On August 6, 1945 at 8:15 AM and on August 11 at 11:02 AM atomic bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Over 200,000 men, women, and children were killed. Visit [www.pcusa.org/peacemaking/worship/](http://www.pcusa.org/peacemaking/worship/) for worship materials to observe this day. You will find prayers, litanies, a reflection, and instructions for making paper peace cranes. Visit the Resource Center for these resources:

The Hiroshima Maidens, by Rodney Barker, copyright 1985. R.R. Donnelley & Sons Co. The story of how 25 young Japanese women, crippled and disfigured by the effects of the atomic blast, banded together to fight against their despair. They were brought to the US in 1955 for plastic surgery in a remarkable humanitarian effort that is itself an epic. The author's family played host to two of these "maidens".

Hiroshima in America: 50 Years of Denial by Robert Jay Lifton and Greg Mitchell, copyright 1995. G.P. Putnam's Sons The first book to assess the political, ethical, and psychological impact of Hiroshima on our nation. The authors have offered a powerful and thought-provoking analysis of what we have lost by our unwillingness to face the truth about Hiroshima.

**WORTH CHECKING OUT.....**

Iraq and Beyond and Iraq: Our Responsibility and the Future These studies, produced by the Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy and approved by the General Assembly, stimulate reflection and discussion on "just war" and other principles of conscience concerning the military action in Iraq.

Steps toward Peace in Israel and Palestine Resource Packet created by PCUSA in February 2005 contains a large collection of booklets, magazines, papers, and a video from various organizations including the PCUSA, WorldVision, Sabeel, and PASSIA. Materials in the resource packet can be used to design presentations and study events on a variety of topics related to Israel and Palestine. Here are some examples of the topics covered:

Historical Background to the Situation in Israel and Palestine

Occupation

Settlements

Terrorism and Violence

The Separation Barrier—The Security Barrier—The Wall

PCUSA Involvement and Policy in Israel and Palestine

PCUSA Phased, Selective Divestment in Relation to Israel and Palestine

Christian Zionism

Interfaith Dialogue

How Presbyterians Can Work for Peace in Israel and Palestine

What constitutes a “disabled” person? Is it someone with “special needs”? Is it someone with a “problem”? Kathie Snow of “Disability Is Natural” would tell you emphatically, “NO!” Cars that are broken down on the freeway are disabled, not children, not adults, *not people*. A disability label is a medical diagnosis or a “body part that works differently.” Yet, everyone’s body parts are different. So really, a disability is just a different, natural characteristic. It is a part of being human. We have the power to change the way people see individuals with a disability diagnosis through language. “People First Language” puts the person before the disability, and it describes what a person *has*, not who a person *is*.

### Examples of People First Language

**Say:**

**Instead of:**

People with disabilities.....	The handicapped or disabled.
He has a cognitive disability (or diagnosis).....	He’s mentally retarded.
She has autism.....	She’s autistic.
He has a diagnosis of Down syndrome.....	He’s Down’s.
She has a learning disability.....	She’s learning disabled.
He’s of short stature/he’s a little person.....	He’s a midget/dwarf.
Brain injury.....	Brain damage.
Congenital disability.....	Birth defect.
Accessible parking, hotel room, etc.....	Handicapped parking, hotel room, etc
She has a developmental delay.....	She’s developmentally delayed.
He has a mental health diagnosis.....	He’s emotionally disturbed/mentally ill.

Keep thinking of other descriptors we need to change and see Kathie Snow’s full article on People First Language at [www.disabilityisnatural.com](http://www.disabilityisnatural.com).



**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:**  
A CHALLENGE & AN OPPORTUNITY  
*FOR THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY CHURCH*

**Eastminster Presbytery**  
**September 13, 2005**  
**Firestone Presbyterian Church**  
**Akron, Ohio**

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:**  
**THE REV. DR. MARIE CROSS**

Co-Executive, Synod of the Covenant  
and author of “The Price of Faith”

**WORKSHOPS will include:**

- 💰 How to Use “The Price of Faith” with Marie Cross
- 💰 Stewardship Resources with Lorraine Jones
- 💰 Stewardship & Discipleship—They Go Together with Dan Schomer
- 💰 The Presbyterian Foundation—A Stewardship Resource with Steve Keizer, Development Officer
- 💰 Talking to Young Adults about Financial Stewardship with Aaron Meadows
- 💰 ...and More

**SCHEDULE FOR THE EVENING:**

5:00-6:00 p.m.:	The Business of the Presbytery
6:00-6:30 p.m.:	The Presbytery at Worship
6:30-7:15 p.m.:	Dinner
<b>7:15-7:45 p.m.:</b>	<b>Keynote address by Marie Cross</b>
<b>7:50-8:35 p.m.:</b>	<b>Workshops</b>
<b>8:40-9:25 p.m.:</b>	<b>Workshops repeated</b>

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND THE ADDRESS & WORKSHOPS?**

Ministers, Elder Commissioners, Church Stewardship Committees,  
...Anyone with a love of the Church and a concern about Stewardship

**Cross, Marie T. The Price of Faith. 2002. Geneva Press. 121 pages.**

In this timely book, Marie Cross uses her considerable experience at the General Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery level to help the reader explore “our choices about money and wealth.”

This user-friendly book helps pastors, sessions, and congregations think biblically and theologically about Christian financial stewardship. The format is specifically designed for group study. This book is not another stewardship program design, but enables biblical and theological reflection foundational to any faithful stewardship effort or program.

Cross writes: *“Whether or not we think of our ordinary, daily decisions about money as being evidence of our deepest faith convictions, they are...Stewardship, for the church, is a biblical and theological term that describes faithful discipleship...Financial stewardship must be given attention, not so much for the survival of the church’s institutions, its structures and hierarchies (which, in fact, are being threatened), but for a vital, viable interpretation of what it means to live faithfully in this time and place.”*

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**ORDER FORM: THE PRICE OF FAITH by Marie Cross**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of books ordered: \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose payment of \$11.00 per book. Checks should be made out to Eastminster Presbytery and mailed to Marianne Lidstone, Eastminster Presbytery, Box 316, 3833 Main Street, Mineral Ridge, OH 44440.

Total amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

## *"From Russia With Love"*

When we arrived at the St. Petersburg airport we knew we were leaving the familiar for the unknown. We knew that from here on out things would be different. We were in Russia, the former Soviet Union, the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. We were in the land of Tsars and Tsarinas, of brilliant palaces and golden-domed cathedrals. Yet statues reminded us that we were also in the land of Lenin and Stalin, a place that had been a communist country for over 70 years. We were in Russia.

Our 19-member team just about breezed through customs. Most everyone got their two pieces of luggage through, one 70 lb. piece filled with personal items and one 70 lb. piece filled with contributions for the children. Russ's and my luggage was delayed and when we went to get it the next day we were told that one piece was overweight and we would have to pay extra to get it through. After refusing to pay the bribe we were told to return with an official letter from the orphanage stating items in the overweight piece were for the orphanage. We did this and on the second return trip to the airport were finally given our last piece of luggage. They insisted on searching it and upon opening found stuffed bunnies and lots of underwear.

We were welcomed to St. Petersburg with a beautiful concert by the children at #11 and a delicious dinner. After that we separated, ten team members moved on to orphanage #46 and nine of us remained at orphanage #11.

Orphanage #46 had 80 children, ages five to 19. It is the only joint orphanage/school in the country and the children learn to speak English. It is an advanced orphanage with up-to-date computers and a part-time computer teacher. Orphanage #11 had 46 children and was located in a busy section of southern St. Petersburg. It was a former school and was surrounded by poorly constructed communist block apartments, stores and located near bus and tram stops.

Children in Russian orphanages are really "social orphans". Some are given up by a parent unwilling or unable to care for them. Some of the children at #11 had mental or physical problems, which almost ensures that a child will be signed over to an orphanage. Some of the children are removed from the home because of abuse or neglect, and addiction to vodka is a huge problem with these parents.

All of the children received gift bags which included the following items which we had brought with us: clothing, school supplies, toys, cosmetics, shoes, hair accessories, toothpaste and toothbrushes, pens, pencils, stickers, flashlights, stuffed animals, gloves, underwear and socks.

Due to a number of successful fundraisers and generous contributions from our friends we were able to buy a great number of things needed at each orphanage. At #11 we bought sandals, swimsuits, and summer shirts for all 46 children, three phones, 11 boom boxes for graduates, three irons, one washing machine, two vacuum cleaners, and a new set of pots and pans for the cooking teacher. Thanks to the generosity of Howland United Methodist Church we were able to buy new playground equipment (\$3500) and were able to see some of it assembled at #11 while we were there.

At orphanage #47 they bought a computer center, four beds for the kids' dorm, and summer shorts, swimsuits and sandals for all the children. Money was also left for furniture in the children's room and for future repairs of the dining room.

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There was a work project at both orphanages. At #11 we painted a large chain linked fence which surrounded the orphanage. At #46 they painted a wrought iron fence and performed some demolition work in an old dining hall.

We brought craft projects; each child was able to make their own frame to hold the picture which we took of them. Everyone put their handprint and signature on a large banner entitled "Hands Around The World". Just about every day team members played Frisbee, soccer, and basketball with the children. "Twister" and the card game "Uno" were popular with the children.

Russia is a land of contrasts. There are the beautiful palaces and magnificent cathedrals from days of nobility and royalty. Then there is the harsh, gray, cramped housing in which most Russians live, trash strewn about, and roads badly in need of repair. Life is harsh in Russia, jobs pay very little and most everyone works hard to somehow earn enough rubles to support a family. Too many men and women turn to vodka in order to just make it through the day.

While we enjoyed the glorious sights which were a part of our sightseeing, the highlight of the trip was binge with the children. They all needed individual love and attention, and that's why we were there. We helped the children know they were special, that people cared about them, and that they were important to us.

We were also there to support the teachers, staff and administration who care very deeply for these children, but are severely limited in what they can provide due to a lack of funds. AT both orphanages the director and staff were cooperative and helpful to our groups. We discovered that they work very hard to try and provide the skills, education and knowledge for what they hope will be a productive future. When they leave the orphanage some children go to live with a relative, some will attend college, some will try to secure a job and an apartment. Some will fall through the cracks and wander with no purpose or direction.

Spending time with the children of these orphanages was a gift. These were children who have very little, most children wore the same clothes every day we were there and some of the shoes were too small and torn. The smallest children call their teachers "mama". Yet in spite of their situation they were happy, loving, giving, receptive and joyful. We were blessed to receive their love and to be a part of their lives.

Thanks to all of you who supported this mission trip by praying for us, contributing financially, or attending one or more of our fundraisers. In serving these children we felt that we were serving Christ. And as we are told in Matthew 25:40, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." Thank you for helping us be bearers of the light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

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# DAKOTA PRESBYTERY

## Mission Exploration Team

(located in the Synod of Lakes and Prairies)

On Friday-Sunday, May 6-8, 2005, Dakota Presbytery met at Iyakaptapi *Ascension* Presbyterian Church, south of Sisseton, SD. Eastminster was represented by Sue Reynolds, John Schippert, Goldie Burrier, Audrey Frost and Bob Offerdahl at this spring meeting of Dakota Presbytery. At this spring meeting, Dakota's Presbyterian Women have one of their bi-annual meetings while Presbytery is conducting its business. Goldie and Audrey met with the Presbyterian Women Saturday morning and afternoon, while Sue, John and Bob attended the Presbytery meeting.

Outside of the business meetings; during meals, before and after worship, a "ministry of presence" was continued ... to renew old friendships (for Bob) and to develop new relationships (for the rest of the team who had not attended before). This underscores our team's primary purpose, developing personal relationships long before we try to develop "hands-on ministries." Our ultimate goal is not to do things for our Native American brothers and sisters. Rather, our goal is to work with them; seeing how we might support them in their ministries and mission while at the same time inviting them to come and share with us the unique gifts and graces of their culture and their own faith journeys.

The Stow and New Lisbon Presbyterian Churches have expressed the desire to send mission work teams to Dakota churches in 2006. The selection of work sites and the necessary arrangements are in process. As a matter of fact, the site of the September Dakota Presbytery Meeting is one of the prospective work sites.

The week of June 20-24, 2005, Donna Nagy will be working as the camp nurse and nanny for the Dakota Youth Camp that will be at Camp Rimrock, near Rapid City, South Dakota.

The next Dakota Presbytery meeting will be Friday-Sunday, September 23-25, 2005. The meeting will be hosted by the Cedar Presbyterian Church which is located west of Wagner and east of Pickstown (near the location of the Ft. Randall Dam on the Missouri River in south-central South Dakota). If you would like to go along, please contact Bob Offerdahl (330-782-2611 or by e-mail [pastorbobccp@yahoo.com](mailto:pastorbobccp@yahoo.com)) to indicate your interest. Dakota's Presbyterian Women does not meet in the fall, so we will just be attending the presbytery's business meeting.

Below are the names and numbers of those who have attended Dakota Presbytery meetings, please call any of them if you would like to hear their impressions as to how we might work together with Dakota Presbytery:

Al Zishka (330-792-0666)  
Gladys Burnett (330-743-2515)  
Bob Offerdahl (330-782-2611)  
John Schippert (330-654-4205)  
Audrey Frost (330-534-1750)

Thomas/Kathy McKee (330-733-4969)  
Donna Nagy (330-545-6271)  
Sue Reynolds (330-629-2540)  
Goldie Burrier (330-222-2248)

reprinted from **Minute for Mission**

**Celebrate the journey** - Our Native American congregations in the Presbyterian Church USA) look forward to strengthening the ministries among our tribes and communities as we enter the third century of our denomination. Many issues surround our participation in this particular manifestation of the body of the living Christ in our world today.

I have identified the issues of "church growth among Native American congregations" (toward an active church membership), "Native American ministries in relation to the Presbyterian church", and "meeting the leadership needs in Native American churches" as primary concerns in coming years.

As the former, culturally-biased and authoritarian "missionary mind set" is changing, and significant numbers of Indian church leaders emerge, the church must be prepared to experience a new understanding of what evangelism can mean among our people.

Church Growth is complicated by factors of population, geography, numerous denominations on a single reservation and tradition options as well: the larger church must allow our churches to grow in the direction and at the rate of their own choosing. My own tribe exhibits a unique understanding of "Native American Ministry" as the Tribal Council and the session of the reservation church share leadership. More often than not, our Tribal Council consists - entirely or in part - of ordained elders. Recently, having called a Shinnecock pastor, the leadership is unified as it seeks to address the challenges of reservation life. The epitome of this unity is the very successful Annual Shinnecock Pow Wow which is the primary stewardship program for the Presbyterian Church in that place. We must be allowed by the dominant culture to be American Indian people **and** Christian people as well. The Creator has made us thus; and the great Creator is our God.

Regarding seminary training for Native American theology students; at the outset, we must remember that addressing the leadership crisis is not to be merely 'processing' of Indian students, culturally neutralizing them in order that they think like the majority and be encouraged to become inwardly detached from their tradition. On the contrary; a balance must be maintained in order that they be able to function within two cultures. Native American culture has something to say as we being to delve into theology, and it is my hope that our people's understanding of who God is and what God has done can be expressed in terms of indigenous theology, enriching the Christian experience for all races of people. May the Great Spirit, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, continue to bless us as we seek to serve and honor all people in God's name.

article written by The Rev. Holly Haile Smith  
(member Shinnecock Tribe) Ute Mountain Presbyterian Church Towaoc,  
Colorado

## **THE HUGH AND CHARLOTTE GUNN HOLY LAND SCHOLARSHIP**

During their lifetimes, the late Rev. Dr Hugh and Mrs. Charlotte Gunn greatly enjoyed trips to the Holy Land. While adding breadth to their understanding of the Bible, their faith in Jesus Christ deepened from this travel, as well. Grateful to God for the impact these visits made upon their lives, Hugh and Charlotte wished to provide, after their deaths, a means for ministers of Eastminster Presbytery to tour the Holy Land who had never done so. Their hope for these servants was to reap similar benefits and thereby be strengthened in their faith and service to God.

### **Standards for The Hugh and Charlotte Gunn Holy Land Scholarship Fund and Committee**

1. The Hugh and Charlotte Gunn Holy Land Scholarship Fund is a perpetual fund. The principle and contributions to the Fund are invested. Only income generated from the Fund is available for scholarships to the Holy Land.
2. The Hugh and Charlotte Gunn Holy Land Scholarship Committee decides the feasibility of funding a scholarship each year.
3. The Scholarship Committee comprises the following people, to whom inquiries may be made: Adam Yeloushan-Chair, Alexander "Sandy" Gunn, Molly Halter, Bob and Ritchie Jones, Helen McAfee, and The Rev Jim Ray.
4. Replacement of Committee members is at the discretion of the Committee itself.
5. The Committee decides changes in either the Criteria or the Standards of the Scholarship Fund with suggestions from Eastminster Presbytery

### **Criteria for Selection of Applicants**

1. The applicant must be an ordained Presbyterian minister in good standing, a member of Eastminster Presbytery, with at least 5 years ministerial experience, one who has not gone to the Holy Land.
2. The applicant is to answer these questions on the Scholarship application:
  - a. Why do you wish to travel to the Holy Land?
  - b. What impact do you believe the experience will have upon your ministry?
3. The applicant is expected, following the trip, to provide proof of trip costs.
4. The applicant is expected, following the trip, to present a brief narrative of his or her experience both to the Scholarship Committee and to Eastminster Presbytery in either written or verbal form.
5. Applicants are given equal consideration regardless of gender or racial-ethnic background.
6. Authority and final decisions to those who receive scholarships rest with the Scholarship Committee.

The Scholarship Committee welcomes contributions to the Hugh and Charlotte Gunn Holy Land Scholarship Fund. Contributions to the Fund may be made as a check written to: Eastminster Presbytery; mark "Gunn Scholarship" on the bottom. Send with a note to Eastminster Presbytery, % Gunn Scholarship, 3833 Main Street, Mineral Ridge, Ohio 44440. The Committee gratefully acknowledges contributions.

The Committee hopes to award its first scholarship in 2006.

## Synod Report May 2005

At the invitation of council member Florence Morrison, Council held its May meeting at "Waidheim," a camp-like setting near Traverse City, Michigan. The intimate, casual atmosphere was very helpful to Council's completing a difficult agenda.

Numerous reports were presented, including an excellent up-date by General Assembly Council member Carol Hylkema regarding the process and current position of the Assembly's action regarding possible divestment in companies working in Israel/Palestine. A disc was made of the presentation and has been given to Dan Schomer.

Following small group discussions, work proceeded on recommendations to be made to the Synod Assembly relative to structure and finance. In line with priorities established by the Assembly, it is being recommended that the work of the Synod be developed as follows:

1. Synod Program Committees
  - a. Church Development and Transformation Committee
  - b. Multicultural and Justice Ministries Committee
  - c. Ministries in Higher Education Committee
2. Synod Covenants and Connections
  - a. Synod Covenants and Connections Committee
3. Synod Operations
  - a. Operations Committee
  - b. Personnel Services Committee

Consideration was given and action taken concerning the structures, terms of office, meetings of Synod, etc. Among the actions is one which recommends that "each presbytery send 4 commissioners to meetings of the Assembly, not 6 as is currently authorized, with commissioners being elected for a two-year term. Action was also taken to establish four levels of support for activities. These levels range from simple endorsement to actual funding.

The financial implications of our decisions were a most difficult part of the council's work. To balance the budget for 2006, it was necessary to reduce expenditures by \$200,000 from the 2005 budget. Decisions were necessary and, following warm discussion, were made. The projected deficit is now \$40,000. A first draft of the budget for 2006 was made and will be circulated to commissioners, presbyteries, Justice for Women Committee, Cabinet on Ethnic Church Affairs, Council members and others.

All of the decisions which were made relative to the Structure and Budget are now in place for discussion, reflection, recommendation, observation and - following Council's meeting in August will be finalized for presentation to the Synod Assembly in September.

A brief meeting of the Board of Trustees followed the adjournment of Council.

Joseph W. Atkins, Jr.  
Eastminster Presbytery Representative to Synod Council

Eastminster Presbytery  
Committee on Ministry  
July 12, 2005

Items for Information:

1. Rev. David Paul has accepted a call to serve as Pastor of Forest Hills Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh Presbytery as of August 15, 2005.
2. The Committee of Ministry has approved extending the Interim Pastor Covenant between Rev. Condie Watters and the Session of Wickliffe Presbyterian Church through August 31, 2005.
3. The Committee of Ministry has unanimously endorsed General Presbyter Dan Schomer's participation in a training event sponsored by Faith Trust Institute founded by Marie Fortune on November 7-9, 2005. Rev. Schomer's participation will necessitate his missing the November Presbytery meeting.

Items for Information:

1. Recommend that Eastminster Presbytery dissolve the Associate Pastoral relationship between David Paul and the Canfield Presbyterian Church effective August 15, 2005, in order that he might accept the call to serve as Pastor to the Forest Hill Presbyterian Church; and that Presbytery transfer his credentials to Pittsburgh Presbytery upon their request.

## GA CLERGY COMMISSIONERS FOR 2006

Clergy Name	Ordination Date	Date as GA Commissioner
William Cooke	07-1947	
Harold Walker	07-1949	1981
Richard Braun	06-03-1951	1988
Arthur Joachim	06-25-1951	
Harry Eberts	07-29-1951	
Harry Van Fleet	05-01-1952	2000
Thomas Niccolls	06-1954	1978
Albert Shakely	06-19-1955	1993
Alice Whitecomb	08-01-1955	
Barrie Bodden	01-20-1956	
Moss Rutan	06-01-1957	1981
Richard Hasler	6-30-1957	1970
Thomas Heinlein	09-15-1957	
Richard Ross	10-13-1957	
Richard Fruit	03-02-1959	1986
Joseph Atkins	05-28-1960	
James Ray	06-01-1960	1979
Albert May	06-26-1960	
John Sharick	06-26-1960	1979
Donald Spear	06-25-1961	1984
Paul Johnson	06-11-1963	1983
Chuck Moffett	01-22-1966	1981
Ross Jackson	09-18-1966	2000
Charles Evans	06-29-1968	
Redford Nash	06-01-1969	
Nick Mager	07-01-1969	
Robert Offerdahl	02-21-1972	1992
Mark Wilds	07-08-1973	
Robert McCreight	09-02-1973	1990
James Henkel	10-14-1973	
Sue Ann Schmidt	07-07-1974	1988
John Gruneich	08-11-1974	1992
Pamela Flowers	04-13-1975	1995
Victor Wan-Tatah	09-10-1975	
Dan Schomer	02-10-1975	1994
David Black	09-28-1975	
Gerald Fennell	01-04-1976	
William Betteridge	06-06-1976	
Alan Hutchison	09-25-1977	

Clergy Name	Ordination Date	Date as GA Commissioner
David Joachim	10-13-1977	1999
Debby Dockstader	12-11-1977	1989
Stephen Cramer	10-01-1978	1997
Meta Cramer	11-12-1978	1998
In-Kyu Park	1978	1999
Paul Gaug	07-01-1979	
Steve Breazier	09-29-1979	
Rusty Cowden	06-1981	2000
Lynn Bryant	7-19-1981	1998
Mark Merritt	06-20-1982	
Mark Ruppert	06-12-1983	
David Shriver	07-17-1983	1990
Jan Douglas	11-27-1983	
Richard Ferris	02-08-1984	1987
Roman Garrison	05-15-1985	
Ross Slaughter	09-08-1985	
Janet Lowery	09-15-1985	2004
Peter Lawson	12-29-1985	
David Herron	05-25-1986	
Jay Groat	10-11-1987	
Brian Nutt	01-20-1991	
Burt McGlawn	03-14-1993	
David Weyrick	08-22-1993	
Wayne Bogue	07-10-1994	
Mark Phillips	07-31-1994	
Steve Fortenberry	08-07-1994	
Carolyn Griffeth	04-13-1996	
Larry Stewart	06-09-1996	
Anne Hagler	10-13-1996	2002
Nick Cammarata	12-07-1996	
Kay Roberts	08-18-1999	
Christine Ziem	08-12-2000	
Rein Krone	06-16-2002	
Jeanine Haven	06-30-2002	
Todd Allen	10-13-2002	
A. David Paul	04-06-2003	
Larry Myers	05-23-2004	
Bonnie Dutton	01-30-2005	

## CHURCHES FOR 2006 GENERAL ASSEMBLY NOMINATIONS

CHURCH	DATES
North Jackson	1962
Rogers	1964
Warren-Covenant	1964
Young-Gibson Heights	1965
Niles-South Side	1967
Niles-First	1969
Young-Brownlee Woods	1972
Young-Butler	1974
Young Christ	1974
Warren-Champion	1978
Poland	1980
Struthers	1982
Young-Coitsville	1982
Young-Liberty	1982
Akron Oak Hill	1983
Ellsworth	1983
Girard	1983
Young-Wickliffe	1984
Young-Hungarian	1985
Salem-First	1986
Akron-First	1987
East Palestine	1987
Akron-Firestone Park	1988
Petersburg	1988
Akron, Westminster	1989
Young-John Knox	1989
Akron Goodyear Heights	1990
Youngstown, First	1990
Columbiana	1991
Stow	1991
Akron-Allenside	1992
Warren-First	1992
Akron New Covenant	1993
Akron University Park	1993
Cuy Falls-Northminster	1993
Canfield	1994
North Benton	1994
Kent	1995
Lisbon	1995
Akron North Springfield	1996
Kinsman	1996

New Waterford	1997
Sebring	1997
Cuy Falls-United	1998
Vienna	1998
Salem-Concord	1999
Warren-Calvary	1999
Hudson	2000
Young-Pleasant Grove	2000
Mineral Ridge	2001
Young-Westminster	2001
Hubbard	2002
Barberton	2003
Lake Milton	2004

**Eastminster Presbytery**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT**  
**July 12, 2005**

**For Information:**

1. Financial reports.
2. The Trustees have designed a new form on which member churches may deliver to the Board and the Presbytery a *Request to Concur in the Sale of Real Property*. A copy of this form is available in tonight's packet; please keep a copy on file in your church office so that such a request can be submitted in a timely manner. As noted on the form itself, **“the concurrence process takes time. Sessions and congregations are encouraged to provide as much information as possible as soon as possible. It may be better to submit a partially completed request form early and fill in the blanks along the way, than to wait until-the-last-minute and risk an undue delay in closing the sale.”**
3. The Trustees have authorized the use of Direct Deposit in paying staff.
4. The Trustees have authorized the expenditure of up to \$1,200 from the Office Facility Maintenance line for the repair and painting of the front facade of the Presbytery Center.
5. The Trustees have extended sincere thanks to Bob Gillette for his continuing efforts in caring for the Presbytery Center grounds.
6. The Trustees have authorized the investment of Gunn Holy Land Scholarship Funds in the Presbytery Endowment Fund with the provision that the Presbytery's endowment policy of not spending the principle of the investment will govern all future distribution of scholarships. This provision is in agreement with the stated position of the Gunn Holy Land Scholarship Committee.
7. The Trustees have requested that the Personnel Committee appoint one of their members to serve with Trustee Rusty Cowden and General Presbyter Dan Schomer as an advisory task force to make recommendations regarding the continued use and/or replacement of the Presbytery van.
8. The Trustees have sent a recommended change in the Presbytery Manual to the Presbytery Meeting Coordinating Council: a provision to add the office of Trustee Vice-President (recommended additions in *italics*): 10.103 . . . [unchanged] . . . The Trustees will elect one of the body's members annually to serve as its President, *and another to serve as its Vice-President*. The President *or Vice-President* will be moderator . . . [unchanged] . . .

**For Action:**

The Trustees recommend that the Stow Presbyterian Church be granted permission to list a vacant lot for sale. Presbytery retains the right to approve the terms of sale.

The Trustees recommend that the Canfield Presbyterian Church be granted permission to list the manse for sale. Presbytery retains the right to approve the terms of sale.

The Trustees recommend that Presbytery waive all prior rules and regulations regarding the various reserve funds residing in the New Covenant Funds and proceed to withdraw \$70,375 to be prorated across all of the reserve funds, with the exception of the New Church Development Fund which shall remain untouched, for the purpose of meeting the Presbytery General Mission obligation to General Assembly through March, 2005.

**Eastminster Presbytery**  
**REQUEST to CONCUR in the SALE of REAL PROPERTY**

The Session and Congregation of \_\_\_\_\_ respectfully request that the presbytery Board of Trustees recommend that Eastminster Presbytery concur in the sale of real property as described below.

Church Address:

Legal description of the property to be sold:

Name of Realtor:

Asking price: \_\_\_\_\_ Offer to purchase price: \_\_\_\_\_ # of days before offer expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional terms of sale, if any:

Buyer/s Name/s:

Buyer/s intended use of property:

Date of Session action: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of congregation action: \_\_\_\_\_ # attending congregation meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

Voting method at congregation meeting (check one): \_\_\_ voice. \_\_\_ show of hands or standing. \_\_\_ secret ballot.

If a matter of record, indicate: # of votes for the sale \_\_\_\_\_. # of votes against the sale \_\_\_\_\_.

Attach the following items for information:

- 1) a copy of any appraisal available on the property for sale.
- 2) a brief statement of the reason/s for selling the property.
- 3) a brief statement on how the proceeds of the sale will be used and/or invested.
- 4) a projection of the future impact of the sale on the annual budget and terms of call (if any).
- 5) a copy of the most recent year end financial report.
- 6) a copy of the current annual budget.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Please be advised that the concurrence process takes time. Sessions and congregations are encouraged to provide as much information as possible as soon as possible. It may be better to submit a partially completed request form early and to fill-in-the-blanks along the way, than to wait until-the-last-minute and risk an undue delay in closing the sale.

Action by Presbytery Trustees: \_\_\_ Concur. \_\_\_ Not Concur. Date \_\_\_\_\_.

Action by Presbytery: \_\_\_ Concur. \_\_\_ Not Concur. Date \_\_\_\_\_.

*Form Approved: 06/27/2005*

**2005 PER CAPITA PAYUP THRU JUNE**

<b>CHURCH NAME</b>	<b>2005 Total</b>	<b>Total Paid</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>Percent</b>
	<b>Per Capita Due</b>	<b>to Date</b>	<b>Due</b>	<b>Payup</b>
AKRON ALLENSIDE	\$1,380.60	\$614.50	\$766.10	44.51%
AKRON FIRESTONE	\$5,161.32		\$5,161.32	0.00%
AKRON FIRST	\$6,138.36	\$4,000.00	\$2,138.36	65.16%
AKRON GOODYEAR HTS	\$6,393.24	\$4,100.00	\$2,293.24	64.13%
AKRON NEW COVENANT	\$2,039.04	\$2,039.04	\$0.00	100.00%
AKRON NORTH SPRINGFIELD	\$2,867.40	\$2,867.40	\$0.00	100.00%
AKRON OAK HILL	\$10,768.68	\$2,692.18	\$8,076.50	25.00%
AKRON WESTMINSTER	\$14,868.00	\$7,434.00	\$7,434.00	50.00%
AKRON UNIVERSITY	\$849.60		\$849.60	0.00%
BARBERTON FIRST	\$5,798.52	\$2,904.00	\$2,894.52	50.08%
CANFIELD FIRST	\$13,657.32	\$13,657.32	\$0.00	100.00%
COLUMBIANA FIRST	\$6,903.00	\$2,635.76	\$4,267.24	38.18%
CUY. NORTHMINSTER	\$5,756.04	\$2,398.35	\$3,357.69	41.67%
CUY - UNITED	\$8,092.44	\$5,000.00	\$3,092.44	61.79%
EAST PALESTINE	\$5,331.24	\$5,331.24	\$0.00	100.00%
ELLSWORTH	\$2,124.00	\$2,124.00	\$0.00	100.00%
GIRARD	\$1,529.28	\$1,529.28	\$0.00	100.00%
HUBBARD	\$6,010.92	\$2,525.00	\$3,485.92	42.01%
HUDSON	\$10,152.72	\$5,112.72	\$5,040.00	50.36%
KENT	\$5,968.44	\$5,968.44	\$0.00	100.00%
KINSMAN	\$4,566.60	\$4,566.60	\$0.00	100.00%
LAKE MILTON	\$828.36	\$828.36	\$0.00	100.00%
MINERAL RIDGE	\$4,481.64	\$4,481.64	\$0.00	100.00%
NEW LISBON	\$6,669.36	\$6,669.36	\$0.00	100.00%
NEW WATERFORD	\$1,168.20	\$1,168.20	\$0.00	100.00%
NORTH BENTON	\$4,481.64	\$560.20	\$3,921.44	12.50%
NORTH JACKSON	\$1,253.16	\$1,253.16	\$0.00	100.00%
NILES FIRST	\$3,398.40	\$1,416.00	\$1,982.40	41.67%
NILES SOUTH SIDE	\$1,040.76	\$1,040.76	\$0.00	100.00%
PETERSBURG	\$2,166.48	\$1,890.00	\$276.48	87.24%
POLAND	\$22,896.72	\$11,448.36	\$11,448.36	50.00%
ROGERS CLARKSON	\$807.12	\$470.82	\$336.30	58.33%
SALEM CONCORD	\$977.04	\$1,050.00	(\$72.96)	107.47%
SALEM FIRST	\$12,191.76	\$12,191.76	\$0.00	100.00%
SEBRING	\$5,989.68	\$5,990.00	(\$0.32)	100.01%
STOW	\$5,331.24	\$1,000.00	\$4,331.24	18.76%
STRUTHERS	\$5,841.00	\$2,920.50	\$2,920.50	50.00%
VIENNA	\$2,081.52	\$2,081.52	\$0.00	100.00%
WARREN CALVARY	\$2,336.40	\$2,336.40	\$0.00	100.00%
WARREN CHAMPION	\$10,832.40	\$3,419.61	\$7,412.79	31.57%
WARREN COVENANT	\$1,168.20	\$389.40	\$778.80	33.33%
WARREN FIRST	\$7,773.84	\$7,773.84	\$0.00	100.00%
YO. BROWNLEE WOODS	\$4,120.56	\$4,120.56	\$0.00	100.00%
YO. BUTLER MEMORIAL	\$615.96	\$152.48	\$463.48	24.75%
YO. CHRIST	\$5,798.52	\$2,005.58	\$3,792.94	34.59%
YO. COITSVILLE	\$1,465.56		\$1,465.56	0.00%
YO. FIRST	\$5,394.96	\$5,394.96	\$0.00	100.00%
YO. GIBSON HEIGHTS	\$2,357.64	\$1,111.39	\$1,246.25	47.14%
YO. HUNGARIAN	\$3,164.76		\$3,164.76	0.00%
YO. JOHN KNOX	\$2,676.24	\$2,676.24	\$0.00	100.00%
YO. LIBERTY	\$1,784.16	\$566.39	\$1,217.77	31.75%
YO. PLEASANT GROVE	\$5,989.68		\$5,989.68	0.00%
YO. WESTMINSTER	\$9,982.80	\$4,991.40	\$4,991.40	50.00%
YO. WICKLIFFE	\$4,078.08	\$2,040.00	\$2,038.08	50.02%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$277,500.60</b>	<b>\$170,938.72</b>	<b>\$106,561.88</b>	<b>61.60%</b>

### JUNE 2005 MISSION PAYUP

CHURCH NAME	2005 General Mission PLEDGE	2005 Payup	Balance	Percent Payup
ALLENSIDE	\$500.00	\$135.00	\$365.00	27.0%
FIRESTONE PARK	\$0.00		\$0.00	
FIRST AKRON	\$15,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00	33.3%
GOODYEAR HTS	\$16,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$13,000.00	18.8%
NEW COVENANT	\$3,326.00	\$1,662.99	\$1,663.01	50.0%
NORTH SPRINGFIELD	\$5,000.00	\$2,083.32	\$2,916.68	41.7%
OAK HILL	\$12,500.00	\$5,208.35	\$7,291.65	41.7%
UNIVERSITY	\$0.00		\$0.00	
WESTMINSTER-AKRON	\$26,675.00	\$13,152.38	\$13,522.62	49.3%
BARBERTON FIRST	\$16,715.00	\$8,357.52	\$8,357.48	50.0%
CANFIELD FIRST	\$25,166.00		\$25,166.00	0.0%
COLUMBIANA FIRST	\$15,000.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	50.0%
NORTHMINSTER	\$4,000.00	\$1,975.00	\$2,025.00	49.4%
UNITED-CUY. FALLS	\$16,200.00	\$6,750.00	\$9,450.00	41.7%
EAST PALESTINE	\$1,348.00	\$400.00	\$948.00	29.7%
ELLSWORTH	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	50.0%
GIRARD	\$3,670.00	\$1,835.02	\$1,834.98	50.0%
HUBBARD	\$10,000.00	\$660.00	\$9,340.00	6.6%
HUDSON	\$15,000.00	\$7,665.00	\$7,335.00	51.1%
KENT	\$23,750.00	\$9,895.80	\$13,854.20	41.7%
KINSMAN	\$6,655.00	\$2,772.90	\$3,882.10	41.7%
NEW LISBON	\$15,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00	33.3%
LAKE MILTON	\$1,100.00	\$600.00	\$500.00	54.5%
MINERAL RIDGE	\$7,351.00	\$2,450.36	\$4,900.64	33.3%
NORTH BENTON	\$3,500.00	\$582.00	\$2,918.00	16.6%
NORTH JACKSON	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	100.0%
NEW WATERFORD	\$1,000.00	\$250.00	\$750.00	25.0%
NILES FIRST	\$5,200.00	\$1,733.32	\$3,466.68	33.3%
SOUTH SIDE	\$780.00	\$390.00	\$390.00	50.0%
PETERSBURG	\$3,750.00	\$1,875.50	\$1,874.50	50.0%
POLAND	\$6,886.00	\$3,442.98	\$3,443.02	50.0%
CLARKSON ROGERS	\$525.00	\$350.00	\$175.00	66.7%
CONCORD	\$1,000.00	\$100.00	\$900.00	10.0%
SALEM FIRST	\$27,500.00	\$11,475.00	\$16,025.00	41.7%
SEBRING	\$12,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	50.0%
STOW	\$21,400.00	\$10,704.36	\$10,695.64	50.0%
STRUTHERS	\$6,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	50.0%
VIENNA	\$5,225.00	\$2,612.50	\$2,612.50	50.0%
CALVARY WARREN	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	100.0%
CHAMPION WARREN	\$7,890.00	\$3,005.00	\$4,885.00	38.1%
COVENANT WARREN	\$200.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	50.0%
WARREN FIRST	\$9,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$6,000.00	33.3%
BROWNLEE WOODS	\$5,000.00	\$840.00	\$4,160.00	16.8%
BUTLER MEMORIAL	\$1,500.00	\$382.00	\$1,118.00	25.5%
CHRIST	\$2,500.00	\$804.00	\$1,696.00	32.2%
COITSVILLE	\$500.00		\$500.00	
YOUNGSTOWN FIRST	\$13,200.00	\$6,600.00	\$6,600.00	50.0%
GIBSON HEIGHTS	\$0.00	\$245.00	-\$245.00	
HUNGARIAN	\$1,100.00	\$458.70	\$641.30	41.7%
JOHN KNOX	\$4,000.00		\$4,000.00	0.0%
LIBERTY	\$1,100.00	\$669.95	\$430.05	60.9%
PLEASANT GROVE	\$0.00		\$0.00	
WESTMINSTER YO	\$12,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$7,500.00	40.0%
WICKLIFFE	\$2,200.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00	50.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$399,162.00</b>	<b>\$153,073.95</b>	<b>\$246,088.05</b>	<b>38.3%</b>

## Eastminster Presbytery's Obligation to GA

<b>2001</b>	Nov.	\$36,527.79	Wired 1-9-02 Recorded 12-31-01
	Dec.	\$44,413.11	Recorded 12-31-01
<b>2002</b>	Jan.	\$12,453.06	Wired 3-22-02
	Feb.	\$22,283.71	Wired 5-1-02
	Mar.	\$12,389.00	Wired 6-3-02 Recorded 5-30-02
	Apr.	\$40,039.06	Wired 7-3-03
	May	\$27,943.20	Wired 11-5-02
	June	\$36,253.78	Wired 01-03-03, Recorded 12-31-02
	July	\$20,259.00	Wired 01-03-03, Recorded 12-31-02
	Aug.	\$10,215.86	Wired 01-03-03, Recorded 12-31-02
	Sept.	\$35,153.15	Wired & Recorded 1-16-03
	Oct.	\$18,968.52	Wired & Recorded 1-22-03
	Nov.	\$10,747.89	Wired & Recorded 1-30-03
	Dec	\$40,000.00	Wired 5-9-03 Split the payment
		\$32,843.74	Wired 6-5-03
<b>2003</b>	Jan	\$38,490.01	Wired 6-17-03, Recorded 6-17-03
	Feb	\$11,750.58	Wired 7-18-03, Recorded 7-18-03
	Mar	\$10,908.93	Wired 7-18-03, Recorded 7-18-03
	Apr	\$23,289.25	Wired 9-3-03, Recorded 8-29-03
	May	\$41,061.63	Wired 12-04-03, Recorded 11-30-03
	June	\$43,565.61	Wired 12-29-03, Recorded 12-29-03
	July	\$19,405.89	Wired 1-07-04, Recorded 12-31-03
	Aug	\$11,859.90	Wired 1-07-04, Recorded 12-31-03
	Sept.	\$12,656.38	Wired 1-07-04, Recorded 12-31-03
	Oct.	\$17,756.32	Wired 2-16-04
Nov.	\$18,116.34	Wired 2-16-04	
Dec.	\$67,245.50	Wired 6-16-04	
<b>2004</b>	Jan.	\$ 8,235.51	Wired 7-13-04
	Feb.	\$17,196.10	Wired 7-13-04
	Mar.	\$ 8,176.71	Wired 8-25-04
	April	\$32,395.08	Wired 10-13-04
	May	\$26,835.88	Wired 12-17-04
	June	\$37,833.59	Wired 1-12-05
	July	\$22,801.62	Wired 1-12-05
	Aug.	\$12,080.75	Wired 1-12-05
	Sept.	\$17,854.44	Wired 3-4-05
	Oct.	\$21,620.39	Wired 4-18-05
	Nov.	\$17,609.78	Wired 4-18-05
	Dec.	\$47,861.18	Wired 5-20-05
<b>2005</b>	Jan.	\$18,712.98	<b>Not Paid (\$1,776.50 already sent)</b>
	Feb.	\$32,550.75	<b>Not Paid (\$21,027.29 already sent-Tsunami)</b>
	Mar.	\$19,109.95	<b>Not Paid (\$2,245.35 already sent-Tsunami)</b>
	Apr.	\$33,965.78	<b>Not Paid (\$2,467.00 already sent –Tsunami)</b>
	May	\$25,129.44	<b>Not Paid</b>
	June	\$24,887.75	<b>Not Paid</b>

**Total owed to GA \$126,840.53**

## Eastminster Presbytery 2005 Operating Budget

Title	Actual	Budget	Actual	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
	2004	2005	YTD 2005						
<b>REVENUES</b>									
Presbytery Apportionment	\$153,152.82	167,631.75	106,959.00	37,099.60	25,561.40	14,031.00	12,567.00	4,972.00	12,728.00
Synod Apportionments	\$36,589.55	36,470.00	23,271.00	8,071.62	5,561.38	3,053.00	2,734.00	1,082.00	2,769.00
GA Apportionments	\$74,527.58	72,549.25	46,290.00	16,056.31	11,062.69	6,072.00	5,439.00	2,152.00	5,508.00
Presbytery Missions	\$265,215.58	250,757.14	92,148.00	5,994.95	12,887.05	18,901.00	15,291.00	16,381.00	22,693.00
Synod Missions	\$46,442.40	36,400.23	14,648.00	832.61	2,798.39	2,473.00	3,074.00	2,291.00	3,179.00
GA Missions	\$129,274.67	117,289.63	\$52,189.00	4,115.94	7,331.06	9,026.00	6,895.00	9,603.00	15,218.00
Extra Commitment Giving	\$21,993.73		\$4,487.00	1,091.52	663.48	367.00	818.00	979.00	568.00
Special Offering	\$148,513.66		\$98,266.00	13,546.81	25,006.19	9,800.00	26,253.00	14,548.00	9,112.00
	\$875,709.99	681,098.00	\$438,258.00	86,809.36	90,871.64	63,723.00	73,071.00	52,008.00	71,775.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>									
<b>GOVERNING BODY OBLIGATIONS</b>									
Synod Apportionments	\$38,791.20	36,470.00	\$23,270.62	8,071.62	5,561.00	3,053.00	2,734.00	1,082.00	2,769.00
GA Apportionments	\$76,335.54	72,549.25	\$46,290.31	16,056.31	11,063.00	6,072.00	5,439.00	2,152.00	5,508.00
Synod Missions	\$46,568.62	36,400.23	\$14,148.61	832.61	2,799.00	2,473.00	2,574.00	2,291.00	3,179.00
GA Missions	\$132,805.59	117,289.63	\$52,774.00	0.00	10,680.00	0.00	27,447.00	14,647.00	0.00
Extra Commitment Giving	\$20,313.89		\$7,909.00	0.00	6,187.00	0.00	628.00	1,094.00	0.00
Special Offering	\$129,788.02		\$66,720.97	1,817.97	22,215.00	2,325.00	11,893.00	28,470.00	0.00
	\$444,602.86	262,709.11	\$211,113.51	26,778.51	58,505.00	13,923.00	50,715.00	49,736.00	11,456.00
<b>TOTAL GOVERNING BODY OBLIGATIO</b>									
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>	\$431,107.13	418,388.89	\$227,144.49	60,030.85	32,366.64	49,800.00	22,356.00	2,272.00	60,319.00
<b>COMMITTEE EXPENSES</b>									
Presbytery Mtg Coord. Coun	\$450.00	\$500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Communication & Nurture	\$8,422.00	\$7,840.00	1,000.00	0.00	51.00	758.00	179.00	12.00	0.00
Personnel	\$305,136.99	\$323,598.01	158,342.90	26,038.90	25,874.00	27,126.00	26,009.00	26,484.00	26,811.00
Presbytery Auto	\$2,870.96	\$2,860.00	2,211.87	69.87	164.00	478.00	725.00	985.00	(210.00)
Presbytery Office	\$37,242.89	\$43,597.00	19,197.40	1,699.40	4,125.00	4,248.00	2,747.00	4,348.00	2,030.00
Committee on Mission	\$108,281.15	\$101,500.04	51,098.33	8,683.33	8,683.00	5,183.00	12,183.00	8,183.00	8,183.00
Committee on Ministry	\$846.91	\$1,900.00	167.00	0.00	15.00	134.00	0.00	18.00	0.00
Committee on Prep for Ministry	\$620.77	\$1,488.00	581.00	0.00	0.00	368.00	61.00	0.00	152.00
Comm. On Cong. Resources	\$10,014.81	\$13,213.00	3,859.93	681.93	122.00	68.00	135.00	707.00	2,146.00
Trustees	\$10,055.01	\$9,600.00	1,598.00	0.00	0.00	1,598.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Evangelism and Growth	\$(10,160.06)	\$11,500.00	437.00	(45.00)	35.00	1,562.00	(1,205.00)	90.00	0.00
Common Ground Comm Ch	\$61,809.00	\$68,800.00	20,056.18	924.18	2,773.00	4,234.00	4,691.00	3,236.00	4,198.00
SDOP Administrative Budget	\$0.00	\$5,033.50	(460.00)	30.00	(490.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mission Visioning Council	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	38.00	0.00	136.00	0.00
	\$535,590.43	\$591,429.55	258,263.61	38,082.61	41,352.00	45,795.00	45,525.00	44,199.00	43,310.00
<b>TOTAL COMMITTEE EXPENSES</b>									
<b>TOTAL B/F OTHER RECEIPTS AND DISB</b>	(104,483.30)	\$(173,040.66)	(31,119.12)	21,948.24	\$(8,985.36)	4,005.00	(23,169.00)	(41,927.00)	17,009.00
Other Receipts	\$260,337.78		\$77,322.57	8818.57	9490.00	10,192.00	8,830.00	9,143.00	30,849.00
Other Disbursements	\$(146,530.35)		\$(17,414.87)	(1305.87)	(3598.00)	\$(1,315.00)	(2,086.00)	(364.00)	(8,746.00)
Depreciation			\$(3,935.40)	(562.40)	(562.00)	\$(562.00)	(562.00)	(1,125.00)	(562.00)
Synod Grant for Peacemaking			\$(1,357.17)	0.00	0.00	\$(1,358.00)	0.83	0.00	0.00
Dividend Income			\$280.00	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	280.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL AFTER OTHER RCPTS &amp; DISB.</b>	\$9,324.13	\$(173,040.66)	\$54,895.13	6,950.30	5,330.00	6,957.00	6,462.83	7,654.00	21,541.00
<b>OPERATING BALANCE</b>			<b>\$23,776.01</b>	<b>28,898.54</b>	<b>(3,655.36)</b>	<b>10,962.00</b>	<b>(16,706.17)</b>	<b>(34,273.00)</b>	<b>38,550.00</b>

