MINUTES

of the

46th General Assembly

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Better Together

"From Him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work."

— Ephesians 4:16

FOREWORD

The five sections of this volume are as follows:

JOURNAL: The minutes of the daily sessions of the Assembly. Though the Journal does not contain the documents that appear in the second section (Appendices), it does contain the recommendations made in those documents. Those recommendations appear in the Journal at the point at which they were considered. For ease of reference and cross-reference, the Journal is divided into articles. An index of this section appears at the end of the Journal. The reports of the 46th General Assembly committees are included at the end of the Journal section.

APPENDICES: The reports submitted to the Assembly by presbyteries, committees of the Church, and by other bodies for the Assembly's consideration. Reports appear in the Appendix in alphabetical order. All references to papers in the Appendix are by page number in the Journal.

DOCUMENTS: The primary documents adopted by the Assembly to govern its life and mission.

DIRECTORY: The members of the permanent committees of the Assembly are listed in this section. A directory of the churches, ministers, and presbytery officers is published separately.

ANNUAL CHURCH REPORT: A summary of the reports of the churches' financial and statistical statuses in the preceding year.

The Stated Clerk welcomes suggestions for the improvement of these annual volumes.

46th General Assembly

Moderator RE Jack Cathey

Jack Cathey is a Ruling Elder at Lake Forest Church in Huntersville, NC, where he and his wife Anne have been involved as founding members. Jack and Anne have two adult married children who reside in the greater Charlotte area. Jack is a graduate of Wake Forest University, where he completed his undergraduate degree in accounting. He also graduated from Virginia Tech, where he earned both a Master's and a Doctorate in accounting. After graduate school, Jack joined the faculty of the Turner School of Accountancy at the University of North Carolina, where he has been a member of the faculty for the past 36 years.

Jack grew up in a Christian home and committed his life to Christ at Windy Gap (a Young Life Camp) in 1975. Jack was first called and elected to serve as a Ruling Elder at Forest Hill Church in Charlotte, NC. During a time of significant growth, the Forest Hill Session voted to begin church planting. Jack voted in favor of this motion, and, much to his surprise, he found himself in a skating rink in Huntersville, NC, stacking chairs two years later. Being a part of starting and establishing Lake Forest has been a very fulfilling experience. He has served on the active session many times and has been a part of many search committees that hired staff as the church grew.

When Lake Forest Session felt the time was right to begin their own church planting work, Jack was appointed as a co-leader of the Church Multiplication Commission along with Teaching Elder Mike Moses. To date, Lake Forest has planted five new churches, including Storyhill Church, Lake Forest Westlake, Lake Forest El Buen Samaritano (a Spanish-speaking plant), Lake Forest UCity (a multi-ethnic plant), and Lake Forest Cabarrus.

46th General Assembly

Moderator-Elect TE Joshua Brown

For the past twelve years, Josh has served as the Lead Pastor at Bellefield Presbyterian Church, located in the heart of the university and medical communities of Pittsburgh. He works closely with CCO student ministries at the University of Pittsburgh, Chatham University, Carnegie Mellon University, and Duquesne University Law School. Josh is also a board member of PRISM (Pittsburgh Region International Student Ministries) and engages regularly with their work. He is a past Moderator and the current Chair of the Ministerial Committee of the Presbytery of the Alleghenies. Josh leads Directed Studies in Reformed Theology at Trinity Anglican Seminary, and his ongoing doctoral work is focused on workplace theology, ethics, and leadership.

A fifth-generation Pittsburgher, Josh grew up in the church and comes from a long line of Presbyterian pastors and elders. He and his wife, Bethany, met while doing missions work in Jamaica together during their time as students at Penn State University. After graduation, Josh taught English in Sichuan, China, before he and Bethany were married — at which point they moved to Boston and both began their studies at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. Though initially interested in overseas biblical translation, they soon discerned the Lord's call to local congregational ministry. Following seminary, Josh served as the Pastor at Bethel Presbyterian Church in Washington, PA, for six years, before being called to serve at Bellefield.

When Josh isn't preaching, leading, or engaging in collaborative community outreach, he's probably reading, running, mountain biking, or hanging out with his wife, sons (Malcolm and Jameson), and Bernese Mountain Dog (Big Papi).

MODERATORS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

GA	Year	Name	Presbytery	Location
1st	1981	TE Calvin Gray	Midwest	Livonia, MI
2nd	1982	RE Irvin Rinehart (Deceased)	West	Aurora, CO
3rd	1983	TE James Van Dyke (Deceased)	Southeast	St. Louis, MO
4th	1984	RE Donald Harms	Midwest	Jackson, MS
5th	1985	TE James Morrison	East	Aurora, CO
6th	1986	RE Roger Vonder Bruegge	Central South	Livonia, MI
7th	1987	TE E. Perry Mobley (Deceased)	Southeast	Rome, GA
8th	1988	RE Richard Heidtman (Deceased)	Midwest	Englewood, CO
9th	1989	TE Andrew Jumper (Deceased)	Central South	St. Louis, MO
10th	1990	RE James Rimmel	Allegheny	Bethesda, MD
11th	1991	TE William Flannagan	Central South	Livonia, MI
12th	1992	RE John Adamson	Central South	Memphis, TN
13th	1993	TE W. Graham Smith (Deceased)	East	Aurora, CO
14th	1994	RE William Johns (Deceased)	Southeast	Pompano Beach, FL
15th	1995	TE Wayne Hoffman	Mid-America	Charlotte, NC
16th	1996	RE Claude Russell (Deceased)	West	Englewood, CO
17th	1997	TE Richard Little (Deceased)	Mid-Atlantic	St. Louis, MO
18th	1998	RE Alan Smith	East	Highlands Ranch, CO
19th	1999	TE James McGuire	Midwest	Rome, GA
20th	2000	RE John M. Graham III	Southeast	Northville, MI
21st	2001	TE Darryl “Bud” Sparling (Deceased)	West	Greenwood Village, CO
22nd	2002	RE Knox Sherer (Deceased)	Mid-Atlantic	Memphis, TN
23rd	2003	TE Ron DiNunzio	Florida	Brighton, MI
24th	2004	TE Orin Littlejohn (Deceased)	Central South	Virginia Beach, VA
25th	2005	TE William Meyer	Mid-Atlantic	Golden, CO
26th	2006	TE Paul Heidebrecht (Deceased)	Mid-America	Rome, GA
27th	2007	TE Bill Vogler	Mid-America	Highlands Ranch, CO
28th	2008	RE Allen Roes	Mid-Atlantic	Bethesda, MD
29th	2009	TE Nate Atwood	Mid-Atlantic	Brighton, MI
30th	2010	RE Rob Liddon	Central South	Englewood, CO
31st	2011	TE Doug Klein	West	Cordova, TN
32nd	2012	RE Ken Roberts	West	Baton Rouge, LA
33rd	2013	TE Bill Dudley	Southeast	Highlands Ranch, CO
34th	2014	RE Gordon Miller	Central South	Knoxville, TN
35th	2015	TE Mike Moses	Mid-Atlantic	Orlando, FL
36th	2016	RE Scott Griffin	Pacific	Northville, MI
37th	2017	TE Dean Weaver	Alleghenies	Fair Oaks, CA
38th	2018	RE Tom Werner	Mid-America	Cordova, TN
39th	2019	TE Case Thorp	Florida and the Caribbean	Englewood, CO
40th	2020	RE Glenn Meyers	Alleghenies	Orlando, FL
41st	2021	TE Brad Strait	West	Memphis, TN
42nd	2022	RE Rosemary Lukens	Pacific Northwest	Northville, MI
43rd	2023	TE Joe Kim	East	Highlands Ranch, CO
44th	2024	RE Victor Jones	Gulf South	Cordova, TN
45th	2025	TE Dave Strunk	Southeast	Northville, MI
46th	2026	RE Jack Cathey	Central Carolinas	Huntersville, NC

STATED CLERKS

1981-2000	TE L. Edward Davis (Stated Clerk Emeritus)	Midwest
2001-2006	TE Michael Glodo	Florida
2006-2021	TE Jeffrey Jeremiah (Stated Clerk Emeritus)	Pacific
2021-	TE D. Dean Weaver	Alleghenies

OFFICERS

Moderator: RE Jack Cathey
CHURCH NEEDED
Huntersville, North Carolina
Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

Moderator-Elect: TE Joshua Brown
Bellefield Presbyterian Church
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Presbytery of the Alleghenies

NLT Chairman: TE Dave Strunk
Church of the Redeemer
Alcoa, Tennessee
Presbytery of the Southeast

Stated Clerk: TE Dean Weaver
Evangelical Presbyterian Church
Orlando, Florida
Presbytery of the Alleghenies

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP TEAM

Class of 2027

RE George Hertensteiner
Kirk of the Hills
Tulsa, Oklahoma
Presbytery of the Great Plains

RE John Ivy
Second Presbyterian Church
Memphis, Tennessee
Presbytery of the Central South

RE Linda McDaniel
Hope Church
Cordova, Tennessee
Presbytery of the West

TE Neil Smith
Faith EPC
Kingstowne, Virginia
Presbytery of the East

Class of 2028

TE Josh Hanson
Gateway EPC
Findley, Ohio
Presbytery of the Midwest

TE Eric Shipton
Forge Church
Greensboro, North Carolina
Presbytery of the New River

TE Rachel Pies
Montreat College
Montreat, North Carolina
Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

TE Carolyn Poteet
Mt. Lebanon Presbyterian
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Presbytery of the Alleghenies

Class of 2029

RE Chris Danusiar
Immanuel Presbyterian Church
Warrenville, Illinois
Presbytery of the Rivers and Lakes

TE Greg Aydt
St. Patrick Presbyterian Church
Collierville, Tennessee
Presbytery of the Central South

TE Julie Hawkins
Chapel Hill Presbyterian
Gig Harbor, Washington
Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest

RE Joi Williams
Hope Presbyterian Church
Richmond, Virginia
Presbytery of the Coastal Mid-Atlantic

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION 2026

TE Dave Strunk (Chairman)

TE Dean Weaver (President)

TE Michael Davis (Vice-President)

Zenaida Bermudez (Secretary)

RE George Hertensteiner (Treasurer)

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First Session
June 16, 2026

46-01 OPENING WORSHIP

Worship began at 9:00 am with leadership from the Cherry Creek Praise Team. The court continued in worship as noted below:

ORDER OF WORSHIP
TUESDAY MORNING
JUNE 16, 2026
9:00 AM

Call to Worship	Psalm 133	TE Brad Strait (West)
Today's Music		Cherry Creek Praise Team

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Praise to the Lord Almighty

The Church's One Foundation

Scripture		Ephesians 4:1-16
Sermon	"Already Together"	TE Tim Sansbury (PCA)

46-02 CONVENING OF THE 46th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The 46th General Assembly of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church was called to order at 3:00 pm by Moderator TE Dave Strunk (Southeast).

The Constituting prayer was offered by TE Michael Davis (Central South).

> "Our Father in Heaven, how majestic is Your name throughout all the earth! We give you praise this day for the opportunity to serve you as commissioners and guests at the 46th General Assembly and Gospel Priorities Summit of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. We are thankful for the love, grace, and sacrifice demonstrated through the Cross of Christ.
>
> Empower us all to embody the words of Scripture that we might walk in humility, gentleness, patience, and bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. At this General Assembly, help us to trust in Your provisions, recognizing Your governance rules over all that we do. Therefore, Lord, we need to become more mindful of Your grace and to share it so that the world may know You have come and will come again.

Lord, we seek your forgiveness for a hardened heart, pride, arrogance, and a record of wrong. Create in us, this week, in Jesus' name, a dynamic enthusiasm for serving you and opportunities to do your will in a way that will glorify and magnify your name.

At this General Assembly, we lift up to you, particularly our Stated Clerk Dean Weaver and his supporting staff. Lord, encourage the hearts and minds of your people, so we may build up the church and glorify your name.

We pray this day, Lord, for President Trump and Vice-President Vance. We pray that their work will be fruitful and fulfill your purposes for our country and the world.

We ask that you give your grace and wisdom from above to our president, his advisors, and all elected officials. Grant that the decisions they make will bless the nation and the world and add to the flourishing of all humanity.

We pray also for our military personnel and their families—especially those who are deployed and in harm's way. We pray for their protection. We are thankful for the sacrifices they make to ensure the freedoms we enjoy. We pray for their safety, their courage, and their well-being, not only while they are serving, but also when their service has concluded, and they need to be served by us.

We pray for Governor Jared Polis of the Great State of Colorado, and we ask that you guide his hand and encourage him in work that is pleasing to you.

We thank you, Lord, for the hospitality shown to us by the coalition of volunteers serving this year's assembly at Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church—we thank you for Pastor Brad and his staff team, and we ask for your blessings on all our volunteers, church leaders, and the congregations they serve. Guide us now, as we seek your wisdom and discernment; we pray in Jesus' name, Amen."

46-03 GREAT COMMISSION SHARE

RE Terrell Huntley (Central Carolinas) opened with prayer, lifting up all our church planters, and shared regarding the UCity Church, Charlotte, NC.

46-04 INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stated Clerk TE Dean Weaver (Alleghenies) opened with prayer and shared.

1. For ALL who wish to speak: Please prepare by reading all the information related to the motion.
2. Step to one of the microphones on the floor.
    a. When you are acknowledged, state your name and your presbytery before making your remarks.
    b. You have 3 minutes to speak; you may not speak a second time until all others have had a chance to speak.

c. If you intend to propose an amendment (or a substitute) to a motion, please prepare it as an email to gabusiness@epc.org before you present it. This gives our team time to make your amendment available on the screen to everyone.

3. When a motion is considered, to ensure fairness, both speakers in favor of the motion and those not in favor of the motion will be chosen to speak in alternating order to the Assembly.
4. Debate on a motion will not exceed 15 minutes; by majority vote, debate may be extended for 5-minute increments. Later in the Assembly, we will consider suspending Rules for Assembly 14-4.D to extend debate.
5. The chair of the committee making the report may make the final statement as the debate ends.
6. When debate ends, the motion will be presented and the opportunity to vote in favor of or not in favor of the motion. Ordinarily, we will vote by voice, raising of commissioner lanyards, or standing and holding lanyards. Only commissioners with red lanyards will be allowed to vote. Those with black lanyards have voice but not vote.
7. An overview of the business of the week as docketed.

45-05 ADOPTION OF DOCKET

Stated Clerk TE Dean Weaver (Alleghenies) recommended the Adoption of the Docket.

ON MOTION the Docket was adopted as follows:

3:00 General Assembly Business Session 1

1.1 Business Convenes – Moderator TE Dave Strunk
1.2 Constituting Prayer – TE Michael Davis
1.3 Great Commission Share and Opening Prayer – RE Terrell Huntley
UCity Church, a Lake Forest family Church, Charlotte, NC
1.4 "Instructions for Participating from the floor" – TE Dean Weaver
1.5 Approval of the Docket and Announcements – TE Dean Weaver
1.6 Local Arrangements / Announcements – Cherry Creek Church Staff
1.7 Election: Recording Clerks/Minutes Readers – Moderator TE Dave Strunk
1.8 Opening Items – TE Dean Weaver
a. Call for the quorum
b. Enroll corresponding members
1.9 Outgoing Moderator's Remarks – Moderator TE Dave Strunk
1.10 Presentation to Outgoing Moderator – TE Dean Weaver
1.11 Nominating Committee (I) Partial Report – TE Mike Goolsby
a. Election of Moderator of the 46th General Assembly
(1) **Recommendation 46-01** – Introduction and Nomination of Moderator of the 46th General Assembly
(2) Nominating speech – TE Mike Moses

(3) Election of the Moderator – Moderator TE Dave Strunk
(4) Investiture of the Moderator – Moderator TE Dave Strunk
(5) Prayer for the Moderator – RE Rusty Andrews
(6) Remarks by Incoming Moderator – Moderator RE Jack Cathey

b. Election of Moderator-Elect of the 46th GA
(1) **Recommendation 46-02** – Introduction and Nomination of Moderator-elect of the 46th General Assembly – TE Mike Goolsby
(2) Nominating Speech – TE Barrett Hendrickson
(3) Election of the Moderator-elect – Moderator RE Jack Cathey
(4) Investiture of the Moderator-elect – Moderator RE Jack Cathey
(5) Prayer for the Moderator-elect – TE Scott Bowen
(6) Remarks by Incoming Moderator-elect – TE Joshua Brown

1.12 Reminder of Deadline for New Business -noon Wednesday - TE Dean Weaver
1.13 Introduction of Fraternal Guests -TE Doug Kortyna
1.14 Ad-Interim Committee on Disabilities and the Sacraments – RE Michelle Munger, TE Walter Taylor
a. **Recommendation 46-03**
b. **Recommendation 46-04**
c. **Recommendation 46-05**
1.15 Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards (I) Partial Report –TE Julie Hawkins and TE Doug Resler
1.16 Face-to-Face – TE Fred Lian
1.17 Great Commission Share and Closing Prayer – TE Richard Rieves, South Region Director of EPC Church Planting, Memphis, TN
1.18 Assembly Adjourns

46-06 WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CHERRY CREEK CHURCH

Welcome and announcements from the Cherry Creek Church were brought by TE Brad Strait (West).

46-07 ELECTION OF RECORDING CLERKS AND MINUTE READERS

Stated Clerk TE Dean Weaver (Alleghenies) presented the following motions to elect Recording Clerks and Minutes Readers of the Assembly.

ON MOTION Elected RE Dexter Kuhlman (Mid-America) and TE Kermit Oppriecht (Great Plains) to serve as Recording Clerks for the 46th General Assembly. Elected RE Ron Bengelink (Pacific Northwest), TE Zach Hopkins (Rivers and Lakes) and TE Nathan Arnold (Mid-America) as Minutes Readers for the 46th General Assembly as provided for in *Rules for Assembly §9-13.*

46-08 DECLARATION OF QUORUM AND ASSEMBLY ENROLLMENT

Stated Clerk, TE Dean Weaver (Alleghenies) declared a quorum to be present with 1,007 Commissioners and 5 Corresponding Members with registration in excess of the required quorum (**G.16-24,** "at least five Ministers and five Ruling Elders representing at least three Presbyteries"). The roll of the Assembly follows:

PRESBYTERY OF THE ALLEGHENIES

TE	Keon	Abner	Bridge City Church	Cleveland	OH
TE	Aaron	Badenhop	Hope Presbyterian Church	Columbus	OH
TE	Paul	Becker	First Presbyterian Church	Bakerstown	PA
TE	Elija	Bombeck	Mountville Presbyterian Church	Harmony	PA
TE	John	Bower	Grace Hospice	Youngstown	OH
TE	Wayne	Brown	Bay Presbyterian Church	Bay Village	OH
TE	Josh	Brown	Bellefield Presbyterian	Pittsburgh	PA
TE	Dana	Brown	Memorial Park Church	Allison Park	PA
TE	Sean	Brubaker	Calvin Presbyterian Church	Ellwood City	PA
TE	Gregory	Burdette	Bellefield Presbyterian	Pittsburgh	PA
TE	Benjamin	Burkholder	Presbytery of the Alleghenies	Wexford	PA
TE	Shawn	Carafa	Hudson Presbyterian Church	Hudson	OH
TE	Edward	Carlsen Jr	Lancaster Presbyterian Church	Lancaster	NY
RE	Glen	Challingsworth	Shiloh Presbyterian	St. Marys	PA
RE	Stuart	Chen	Knox Presbyterian Church	Kenmore	NY
TE	Jeremy	Collins	First Presbyterian Church	Bakerstown	PA
RE	Richard	Corliss	Memorial Park Church	Allison Park	PA
TE	Marc	de Jeu	EPC Office of the General Assembly	Beaver Falls	PA
RE	Sarah	Dille	Bethel EPC	Prosperity	PA
TE	Chris	Eatough	Memorial Park Church	Allison Park	PA
TE	Jefferson	Ellis	Hanover Presbyterian	Clinton	PA
TE	Tanner	Fixari	New Albany Presbyterian	New Albany	OH
RE	Dan	Gallagher	Hebron Church	Pittsburgh	PA
TE	Benjamin	Giffone	World Outreach	Grove City	PA
TE	Joe	Haack	Hope Presbyterian Church	Columbus	OH
RE	Scott	Hadley	Tabernacle EPC	Youngstown	OH
RE	Judson	Herter	CUP EPC	Beaver Falls	PA
RE	Patty	Hildenbrand	Memorial Park Church	Pittsburgh	PA
RE	Mitch	Hill	CCO / Bellefield Pres	Pittsburgh	PA
RE	Shawn	Hill	New Covenant	New Castle	PA
RE	John	Holt	North Park Church	Wexford	PA
RE	Jimmie	Jackson	Lancaster Presbyterian Church	Lancaster	NY
TE	Matt	Jaderston	Bay Presbyterian	Bay Village	OH
RE	Douglas	Jenkins	New Albany Presbyterian	New Albany	OH
RE	Paula	Keefer-Herter	CUP EPC	Beaver Falls	PA
RE	Raymond	Kinat	Bay Presbyterian	Bay Village	OH
TE	Henry	Knapp	Hebron Church	Pittsburgh	PA
TE	Vince	Latz	Stow Presbyterian Church	Stow	OH
RE	Robert	LeSuer	Redeemer EPC	Erie	PA
TE	Parker	Mansfield	Center Church	Grove City	PA

RE	Jeff	Mensch	Memorial Park Church	Allison Park	PA
RE	Glenn	Meyers	Ardara Church	Ardara	PA
TE	David	Milroy	New Albany Presbyterian	New Albany	OH
RE	Jaye	Moelk	Redeemer	Fairview	PA
TE	Andy	Moore	Bellefield Presbyterian	Pittsburgh	PA
TE	Graham	Nieder	Bay Presbyterian Church	Bay Village	OH
RE	Forrest	Norman	Hudson Presbyterian Church	Hudson	OH
TE	David	O'Leary	North Park Church	Wexford	PA
TE	Dana	Opp	Presbyterian Church of Portersville	Portersville	PA
RE	Michael	Owen	Tabernacle EPC	Canfield	OH
RE	David	Patzwahl	Bay Presbyterian	Bay Village	OH
RE	Carmen	Pescatrice	Bay Presbyterian	Bay Village	OH
TE	Robert	Peterson	Bethel EPC	Enon Valley	PA
TE	Richard	Peterson	Bridge City Church	Cleveland	OH
TE	Eric	Phillips	Memorial Park Church	Allison Park	PA
TE	Wesley	Piehl	Hope Presbyterian Church	Columbus	OH
TE	Ryan	Pietryga	Memorial Park EPC	Allison Park	PA
TE	Carolyn	Poteet	Mt. Lebanon EPC	Pittsburgh	PA
RE	Ken	Rathburn	New Albany Presbyterian	New Albany	OH
TE	Joseph	Rearick	Windy Gap	Washington	PA
TE	Jonathan	Robinson	New Covenant	New Castle	PA
RE	Roger	Rumer	Memorial Park Church	Wexford	PA
TE	Betsy	Rumer	Memorial Park EPC	Wexford	PA
RE	Carl	Sacherich	New Covenant	New Castle	PA
TE	Travis	Scott	Grace & Peace	Pittsburgh	PA
RE	Corky	Semler	Memorial Park Church	Allison Park	PA
TE	Marc	Shefelton	Tabernacle EPC	Louisville	OH
RE	Josh	Shorts	Bethel EPC	Enon Valley	PA
TE	Richard	Stauffer	Covenant Church	Sharon	PA
TE	Bob	Stauffer	Presbytery of the Alleghenies	Sharpsville	PA
TE	Joseph	Stroup	Graystone Presbyterian Church	Indiana	PA
RE	Marion	Strugar	Amazing Grace	Highland Heights	OH
RE	Donald	Strugar	Amazing Grace	Highland Heights	OH
RE	Murat	Tanyel	Bethel EPC	Enon Valley	PA
TE	Esmé	Teel	Memorial Park Church	Allison Park	PA
RE	Robyn	Tenerowicz	Bay Presbyterian	Bay village	OH
TE	Eric	Toohey	Bethel EPC	Prosperity	PA
TE	Dean	Weaver	EPC Office of the General Assembly	Orlando	FL
RE	Alan	Wettach	First Presbyterian Church	Gibsonia	PA
TE	Christopher	White	Gateway Church	Slippery Rock	PA
TE	Scott	Wiest	Shiloh Presbyterian Church	St. Marys	PA
RE	Larry	Williams	Covenant	Sharon	PA
RE	Carol	Williams	Covenant	Sharon	PA
TE	Billy	Woodman	Bethany EPC	Mercer	PA
TE	George	Yates		New Castle	PA

PRESBYTERY OF THE CENTRAL CAROLINAS

RE	Rusty	Andrews	Storyhill Church	Davidson	NC
TE	Nathan	Atwood	St Giles	Charlotte	NC

RE	Kevin	Auman	Christ Community Church	Montreat	NC
TE	Eric	Bartel	Moderator	Stanley	NC
RE	Russell	Boardman	Christ Community Church	Montreat	NC
RE	Bob	Brown	Christ Community Church	Fairview	NC
TE	Andrew	Brunson	WaveStarters	Reston	VA
TE	Donovan	Campbell	Greenville Presbyterian	Donalds	SC
TE	Tim	Carey	St Giles	Charlotte	NC
RE	Jack	Cathey	Lake Forest Church	Charlotte	NC
TE	Andy	Cornett	Trinity Forest Church	Huntersville	NC
TE	Michael	Davis	EPC Office of the General Assembly	Orlando	FL
TE	Mark	Dickinson	McBee Presbyterian	McBee	SC
TE	Michael	Flake	Storyhill Church	Davidson	NC
TE	Don	Fortson	Reformed Theological Seminary	Matthews	NC
RE	William	George	Christ Community Church	Montreat	NC
TE	Aron	Gibson	Lake Forest Church - Westlake	Denver	NC
RE	Anita	Hill	Siler Presbyterian	Matthews	NC
RE	Butch	Hill	Siler Presbyterian	Waxhaw	NC
TE	Robert	Howard	Presbytery of the Central Carolinas	Mooresville	NC
RE	Mark	Jenkins	St Giles	Charlotte	NC
RE	Phil	Joines	Cameronian EPC	Rockingham	NC
TE	Logan	Keck	Centre Church	Mooresville	NC
RE	Michael	King	St Giles	Charlotte	NC
RE	William	Kraak	Christ Community Church	Montreat	NC
TE	Michael	Krauter	Siler Presbyterian Church	Matthews	NC
TE	Brian	Land	Grace Brevard	Brevard	NC
RE	Joshua	Landry	Warehouse 242	Charlotte	NC
TE	Mike	Lawrie	Warehouse 242	Charlotte	NC
RE	Benjamin	Lillard	Valley Hope Church	Swannanoa	NC
RE	Charles	Marion	Greenville P.C., Donalds, SC	Donalds	SC
TE	Brian	Martin	PastorServe	Monument	CO
TE	Scott	Matson	Lake Forest Church	Huntersville	NC
TE	Robert	McClelland	Hendersonville Presbyterian Church	Hendersonville	NC
TE	Mike	Moses	Lake Forest Church	Huntersville	NC
RE	Cliff	Newbury	St Giles	Charlotte	NC
RE	John	O'Leary	Greenville Presbyterian Church	Donalds	SC
TE	Rachel Toone	Pies	Montreat College	Montreat	NC
TE	Katherine	Piquette	WNCVAHCS	Asheville	NC
RE	Daryl	Poppen	Storyhill Church	Davidson	NC
RE	Michael	Price	Rourk Presbyterian	Ellerbe	NC
TE	Howard	Quach	Riceville Valley Community Church	Asheville	NC
RE	Michael	Rashid	Lake Forest Church	Huntersville	NC
TE	Jason	Riggs	Dept. Veterans Affairs	Salisbury	NC
RE	Richard	Ruffing	Overbrook Presbyterian	Gaffney	SC
RE	Staci	Smith	McLean Presbyterian	Ellerbe	NC
RE	Jamie	Smith	McLean Presbyterian	Ellerbe	NC
TE	Gabriel	Swing	Threshold Church	Davidson	NC
TE	Kenneth	Thomas	Bethlehem Presbyterian Church	Charlotte	NC
TE	Nicole	Unice	Out of Bounds	Richmond	VA
TE	William	Wade	Overbrook Presbyterian	Gaffney	SC

TE	Christian	Zebley	Story Memorial / PRMI	Black Mountain	NC

PRESBYTERY OF THE CENTRAL SOUTH

RE	John	Adamson	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
TE	Hannah	Attaway	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
TE	Gregory	Aydt	St Patrick Presbyterian Church	Collierville	TN
TE	Jeremy	Beck	Tunica Presbyterian Church	Tunica	MS
RE	Kendra	Bowers	Highland Heights Presbyterian	Cordova	TN
RE	Lynn	Burdge	Faith Presbyterian Church	Germantown	TN
TE	Randy	Carstens	Woodlands Presbyterian	Hot Springs Village	AR
RE	Yvonne	Chapman	Faith Presbyterian Church	Germantown	TN
RE	Melba	Chester	Hope Church	Memphis	TN
RE	Alex	Chinn	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
RE	Jana	Church	Hope Church	Cordova	TN
TE	Damon	Conley	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
RE	Brandon	Cordle	Hope Church	Cordova	TN
RE	John	Crawford	Hope Church	Memphis	TN
RE	Angie	Delloso	Hope Church	Memphis	TN
TE	Ryan	Doyle	Grace Presbyterian Church	Montgomery	AL
RE	Charle	Dunstan	Highland Heights Presbyterian	Cordova	TN
RE	Daniel	Edwards	The Way City Church	Birmingham	AL
TE	Todd	Erickson	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
RE	Cheryl	Followell	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
RE	Robert	Followell	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
TE	John	Foster	Faith Presbyterian	Germantown	TN
TE	Tim	Foster	Highland Heights Presbyterian	Cordova	TN
RE	Andrew	Fountain	FPC Starkville	Starkville	MS
TE	Dean	Franklin	First Presbyterian Church	Starkville	MS
TE	Mike	Gibson	Restoration Church	Munford	TN
TE	Dennis	Hermerding	The Crossings Church	Marion	AR
RE	Stephen	Hicks	Woodlands Presbyterian	Hot Springs Village	AR
TE	Zac	Hicks	Church of the Cross	Vestavia	AL
TE	Jim	Holland	St. Patrick Presbyterian Church	Collierville	TN
TE	David	Horton	First Presbyterian Church	Trenton	TN
RE	Jon	Housholder	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
RE	Cindy	Hunter	Faith Presbyterian	Germantown	TN
RE	Jacqueline	Jackson	Hope Church	Cordova	TN
TE	Chuck	Jacob	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
RE	Ann	Jenkins	Hope Church	Cordova	TN
RE	Mike	Jernigan	Grace Presbyterian Church	Montgomery	AL
TE	Chad	Johnson	Hope Church	Germantown	TN
RE	Brad	Jones	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
TE	Andrew	Keasling	First Presbyterian Church	Opelika	AL
TE	Scott	Kennaugh	Solo Parent	College Grove	TN
RE	Stephanie	Key	Hope Church	Cordova	TN
TE	Barton	Kimbro	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
TE	Daniel	Kish	Central Presbyterian Church	Huntsville	AL
RE	Ronald	Kraiss	Hope Church	Cordova	TN
TE	Ken	Lane	Stockton Presbyterian Church	Stockton	AL

TE	Ken	Leggett	The Free Range Pastor	Franklin	TN
RE	Rob	Liddon	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
RE	Linda	McDaniel	Hope Church	Memphis	TN
RE	Judy	Miller	Faith Presbyterian Church	Germantown	TN
RE	George	Moore	Avenue Community Church	Memphis	TN
TE	Waring	Porter	First Presbyterian Church	Corinth	MS
TE	Josh	Preston	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
TE	Jonathan	Prudhomme	First Presbyterian Church	Opelika	AL
TE	Richard	Rieves	EPC Church Planting	Memphis	TN
TE	George	Robertson	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN
TE	Scott	Sealy	First Presbyterian Church	Covington	TN
TE	Nate	Smith	Faith Presbyterian Church	Germantown	TN
TE	Rufus	Smith	Hope Church	Cordova	TN
TE	Joshua	Smith	St. Patrick Presbyterian	Collierville	TN
TE	Sir Gregory	Thornton	Downtown Church	Memphis	TN
TE	Kenneth	Van Kampen	Atoka Presbyterian Church	Atoka	TN
RE	Joshua	Warren	The Avenue Community Church	Memphis	TN
TE	William	Weir	St. Patrick Presbyterian Church	Collierville	TN
RE	Tommy	White	First Presbyterian Church	Covington	TN
TE	Sanders	Willson	Retired	Memphis	TN
TE	Josh	Yates	Vineyard Church	Auburn	AL

PRESBYTERY OF THE COASTAL MID-ATLANTIC

RE	Ruthie	Angrand	Fellowship of Christ	Knightdale	NC
TE	Stephanie	Black	World Outreach	Nairobi	KE
TE	Peter	Bowell	HOPE Church	Richmond	VA
RE	Mitchell	Bowyer	Fellowship of Christ	New Hill	NC
TE	Paul	Branch	EPC World Outreach	Guatemala City	GT
TE	Timothy	Brooks	Army Chaplain - Active Duty	Raeford	NC
TE	Karyn	Cartier	Olivia EPC	Sanford	NC
TE	Kevin	Cauley	Darlington Presbyterian Church	Darlington	SC
RE	Nancy	Cook	HOPE Church	Manakin Sabot	VA
RE	Francis	Cressman	Fellowship of Christ	Cary	NC
RE	Gordon	Cressman	Fellowship of Christ	Cary	NC
RE	Steve	Curtis	Myrtle Grove EPC	Wilmington	NC
RE	Jack	DeKorne	HOPE Church	Manakin Sabot	VA
TE	Jonathan	Dennis	Hope EPC	Fredericksburg	VA
TE	Asaph	Din	World Outreach	Wilmington	NC
TE	Chrishon	Ducker	Hope EPC	Fredericksburg	VA
TE	David	Dwight	HOPE Church	Richmond	VA
RE	Elizabeth	Floyd	HOPE Church	Raleigh	NC
RE	Samuel	Floyd	HOPE Church	Raleigh	NC
TE	Cron	Gibson	HopeWell Ministries	Virginia Beach	VA
TE	Donald	Hardman	Transitional Pastor	North Myrtle Beach	SC
RE	David	Hartness	Myrtle Grove EPC	Wilmington	NC
TE	Kelly	Hayes	Darlington Presbyterian Church	Darlington	SC
TE	JT	Holderman	Restoration Church	Mechanicsville	VA
TE	Fred	Hope	Rockville Presbyterian	Wadmalaw Island	SC
TE	Michael	Johnson	Fellowship of Christ	Cary	NC

TE	Mark	Jumper	Regent University School of Divinity	Virginia Beach	VA
RE	Brian	Kenny	Hope Church	Richmond	VA
TE	Chris	King	HOPE Church	Raleigh	NC
RE	Timothy	McIlhenny	Bishopville Presbyterian	Bishopville	SC
TE	David	Mclean	Fellowship of Christ	Holly Springs	NC
RE	Jon Stacey	Miller	Myrtle Grove EPC	Wilmington	NC
TE	Bill	Moore	Restoration Church	Mechanicsville	VA
RE	Dirk	Mroczek	Oak Island EPC	Oak Island	NC
RE	Michelle	Munger	Englewood Presbyterian	Rocky Mount	NC
RE	Joseph	Palmer	Hollywood Presbyterian	Winterville	NC
TE	Jack	Parmelee	Christ The King	Durham	NC
TE	Chris	Parnell	Bishopville Presbyterian	Bishopville	SC
RE	Byard	Stone	Darlington Presbyterian Church	Darlington	SC
RE	Jerry	Strohkorb	Kempsville Presbyterian Church	Virginia Beach	VA
RE	Shawn	Sweeney	HOPE Church	Richmond	VA
TE	Walter	Taylor	Oak Island EPC	Oak Island	NC
TE	Phil	Thrash	Kempsville Presbyterian	Chesapeake	VA
RE	Joi	Williams	Hope Church	Richmond	VA
RE	Robin	Woodard	Hope EPC	Fredericksburg	VA
RE	Gregory	Woodard	Hope EPC	Fredericksburg	VA
RE	John	Worden	Hope Church	Richmond	VA

PRESBYTERY OF THE EAST

RE	Robert	Antonucci	North Point EPC	Wenham	MA
TE	Paul	Bammel	Bethany Church	Havertown	PA
RE	Larry	Barton	Bethany Church	Havertown	PA
TE	Matt	Blazer	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Simsbury	CT
RE	Bob	Brown	Little Britain Presbyterian	Nottingham	PA
TE	Kenneth	Buck	Resurrection Brooklyn	Lawrence Twp	NJ
RE	Rebecca	Buckles	Brick Church Fellowship	Williamson	NY
RE	Chris	Cardiff	Faith Church	Alexandria	VA
RE	Bob	Cimprich	Deerfield Presbyterian Church	Deerfield Street	NJ
RE	Nancy	Cimprich	Deerfield Presbyterian Church	Deerfield Street	NJ
TE	James	Cupschalk	Ashland Church	Voorhees	NJ
RE	Alex	Dawes	Bethany Church	Havertown	PA
RE	Fiona	Dieffenbacher	Central Presbyterian	New York	NY
TE	John	Dorr	Bethlehem Steltz Reformed Church	Glen Rock	PA
TE	Ryan	Egli	City Line Church	Bala Cynwyd	PA
RE	David	Esh	Upper Octorara Presbyterian Church	Parkesburg	PA
RE	Kevin	Feather	Bethany Church	Havertown	PA
TE	David	Feiser	Round Hill EPC	Dallastown	PA
RE	Gary	Flaharty	Guinston EPC	Red Lion	PA
RE	Bob	Flores	Fourth Presbyterian	Bethesda	MD
TE	Helen	Franssell	Capital Caring Health	Aldie	VA
RE	David	Fuller	City Line Church	Bala Cynwyd	PA
TE	Bonnie	Gatchell	Route One Ministry	Boston	MA
RE	Tod	Gilmore	Grace Covenant	Exton	PA
TE	Ken	Glasier	Orchard Christian Fellowship	Londonderry	NH
TE	Jules	Grisham	Fourth Presbyterian	Bethesda	MD

TE	Wesley	Grubb	Forks of the Brandywine	Glenmoore	PA
RE	Sasha	Hallock	Resurrection Brooklyn	Brooklyn	NY
RE	Jody	Hart	Christ Presbyterian	Springfield	MA
RE	Michael	Heiser	Fourth Presbyterian	Bethesda	MD
TE	Tracy	Johnson	Christ Presbyterian	Springfield	MA
RE	Jamie	Knauss	Central Presbyterian Church	New York	NY
TE	Kevin	Kyle	Orchard Christian Fellowship	Londonderry	NH
TE	Michael	Langer	Faithful Presence	Warrenton	VA
RE	Holly	Lazzaro	Langhorne Presbyterian Church	Langhorne	PA
TE	Jay	Lee	Goodwill Church	Montgomery	NY
TE	Timothy	MacGowan	Living Hope EPC	Warrenton	VA
RE	Chuck	Merritt	Central Presbyterian Church	New York	NY
TE	Daniel	Moore	Guinston	Red Lion	PA
TE	Isaiah	Nengean	Fourth Presbyterian Church	Bethesda	MD
TE	Jeremy	Peterson	Union Presbyterian Church	Kirkwood	PA
TE	Daniel	Phelps	Oreland EPC	Oreland	PA
RE	Cathy	Reese	Langhorne Presbyterian Church	Langhorne	PA
TE	Valdir	Reis	Closer to God EPC	Kearny	NJ
TE	Jose	Rodriguez	Goodwill Church	Montgomery	NY
RE	Glenn	Rossi	Oreland EPC	Oreland	PA
TE	Cameron	Shaffer	Langhorne Presbyterian Church	Langhorne	PA
TE	Todd	Smedley	Fourth Presbyterian Church	Bethesda	MD
RE	Ted	Smith	Fourth Presbyterian	Bethesda	MD
TE	Andrew	Smith	Central Presbyterian Church	New York	NY
TE	Neil	Smith	Retired	Mechanicsville	VA
TE	Dana	Smith	Upper Octorara Presbyterian Church	Parkesburg	PA
RE	Lury	Snyder	Faith Kingstowne	Alexandria	VA
RE	William	Snyder	Faith Kingstowne	Alexandria	VA
TE	Louis	Sorbera	Without a Call	Weehawken	NJ
TE	Bruno	Sousa	Huntingdon Valley Presbyterian	Huntingdon Valley	PA
TE	Tyler	Stanhope	Deerfield Presbyterian Church	Bridgeton	NJ
RE	Michael	Sywulak	Great Valley Presbyterian Church	Malvern	PA
TE	Luther	Tate	Dundalk	Baltimore	MD
RE	Robert	Tongue	Christ Presbyterian	Springfield	MA
TE	John	Torres	Goodwill Church	Montgomery	NY
TE	Omar	Villacres	Garwood Presbyterian Church	Garwood	NJ
TE	John	Wilcox	Faith Church	Alexandria	VA
RE	Jeremy	Williams	Fourth Presbyterian	Bethesda	MD
RE	Noel	Wolfe	Huntingdon Valley Presbyterian	Huntingdon Valley	PA
RE	Robert	Antonucci	North Point EPC	Wenham	MA
TE	Paul	Bammel	Bethany Church	Havertown	PA

PRESBYTERY OF FLORIDA AND THE CARIBBEAN

RE	Alfredo	Aponte	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Westminster	Bayamón	PR
TE	Gregory	Bowe	Lucaya Presbyterian	Freeport	BS
TE	Dane	Clarke	Lucaya Presbyterian Church	Freeport	BS
RE	Lucy	Concepción	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Westminster	Bayamón	PR
RE	María	Corporán	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangelica	Mayaguez	PR
RE	Gabriel	De Guia	EPC Office of the General Assembly	Orlando	FL

RE	Justin	Domeck	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
RE	Rafael	Escabí	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangelica	Mayaguez	PR
TE	Mark	Farrell	Tampa Covenant Church	Tampa	FL
TE	Silver	Feliz	Hope Community Church	Pembroke Pines	FL
TE	Tanner	Fox	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
TE	Robert	Garment	EPC Office of the General Assembly	Tallahassee	FL
TE	Frederick	Gernhardt	Covenant Presbyterian	Tallahassee	FL
RE	Mike	Gomez	Covenant Church	Tallahassee	FL
RE	Scott	Greenwood	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
RE	John	Guglielmi	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
TE	Greg	Gunn	Providence Church	Spring Hill	FL
RE	Joel	Hall	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
RE	Zane	Henderson	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
TE	Barrett	Hendrickson	Kirk of the Pines	Marsh Harbour	BS
TE	Alexa	Holcomb	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
TE	Lou	Kaloger	Tampa Covenant Church	Tampa	FL
RE	Brett	Kandzer	Glendale Presbytery Church	DeFuniak Springs	FL
TE	Bryan	Knedgen	USAR	Orlando	FL
TE	Zach	McIntosh	Grace EPC	Leesburg	FL
TE	Zane	McMinn	New Hope Presbyterian	Fort Myers	FL
RE	Abraham	Montes	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangelica	Mayaguez	PR
RE	Carmen	Negron	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Westminster	Bayamon	PR
TE	Jack	Peebles	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
TE	Jennifer	Prechter	Orlando Health	Orlando	FL
RE	William	Richoux	Glendale Presbyterian Church	DeFuniak Springs	FL
TE	Tom	Ricks	EPC Office of the General Assembly	Orlando	FL
TE	Juan	Rivera	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Westminster	Bayamon	PR
RE	Carlos	Rodriguez	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Westminster	Bayamon	PR
RE	Mark	Sand	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
TE	Carlos	Sierra	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Westminster	Bayamón	PR
RE	Lynn	Spradlin	Glendale Presbyterian Church	DeFuniak Springs	FL
RE	James	Stowers	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
RE	Diane	Stowers	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
TE	Dillon	Thornton	Faith Community Church and Schools	Seminole	FL
TE	Case	Thorp	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
RE	Lynne	Veerman	First Presbyterian Church	Orlando	FL
TE	Jude	Vilma	St. Andrews Presbyterian Kirk	Nassau	BS
RE	Richard	Westerfield	Tampa Covenant Church	Tampa	FL

PRESBYTERY OF THE GREAT PLAINS

RE	Ruth	Baer	Faith United EPC	Brandon	SD
RE	Ray	Begeman	Avery	Bellevue	NE
RE	Richard	Beyer	Colonial Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO
TE	Mary	Brown	Freeman Presbyterian Church	Overland Park	KS
RE	Steve	Burdine	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK
RE	Robert	Christie	New Hope EPC	Waterville	KS
TE	James	Cottier	Fountain City Church	Overland Park	KS
RE	Lisa	Crittenden	First Presbyterian Church	Derby	KS
TE	Evan	Cruse	Kirk Crossing	Jenks	OK

TE	Julien	de Leiris	Colonial Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO
RE	Brad	Duff	Colonial Presbyterian	Overland Park	KS
RE	Mark	Eberline	Colonial Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO
TE	Aaron	Elmore	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK
TE	Sean	Farver	Kirk Crossing	Jenks	OK
RE	Brad	Fowles	First Presbyterian Church	Clay Center	KS
RE	Gloria	Fowles	First Presbyterian Church	Clay Center	KS
RE	David	Frigon	First Presbyterian Church	Clay Center	KS
RE	Barry	Fulda	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK
RE	Stephen	Funk	Eastminster Church	Wichita	KS
TE	Michael	Goolsby	Eastminster Church	Wichita	KS
TE	Collin	Grant	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK
TE	Wayne	Hardy	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK
RE	Brenda	Henesey	Derby First Presbyterian Church	Derby	KS
RE	Michael	Henesey	Derby First Presbyterian Church	Derby	KS
RE	George	Hertensteiner	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK
RE	Pat	Kullberg	Colonial Presbyterian Church	Overland Park	KS
RE	Nancy	Kunkel	Eastminster Presbyterian	Wichita	KS
RE	Randall	Leonard	Colonial Presbyterian	Kansas City	MO
TE	Martin	Lifer	Eastminster Church	Wichita	KS
TE	Scott	Lingle	First Presbyterian Church	Clay Center	KS
RE	Lynn	Lugibihl	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK
TE	Tamara	Lundgren	Colonial Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO
TE	Nathan	Markley	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	Leawood	KS
TE	Kent	Mathews	Heartland Theological Seminary	Olathe	KS
TE	Andrew	Myers	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Omaha	NE
TE	Kermit	Oppriecht	Great Plains Presbytery	Wichita	KS
TE	Vanessa	Platek	US Navy	Oceanside	CA
TE	Mark	Potter	Colonial Presbyterian Church	Overland Park	KS
TE	Shano	Raranje	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK
TE	Ben	Ray	First Presbyterian Church	Derby	KS
TE	Andrew	Reding	Grace Community Fellowship	Ottawa	KS
TE	Sid	Rice	Literacy & Evangelism Intl.	Tulsa	OK
TE	Steven	Sage	Eastminster Presbyterian	Wichita	KS
RE	Jason	Schoff	Colonial Presbyterian	Overland Park	KS
RE	Doug	Scott	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK
RE	Jeff	Showalter	Kirk Crossing	Mounds	OK
TE	Shaun	Spencer	First Presbyterian Church	Siloam Springs	AR
RE	Kevin	Thompson	Kirk Crossing	Jenks	OK
RE	Don	Torbett	Avery Presbyterian Church	Bellevue	NE
RE	Bruce	Van Bebber	Eastminster Church	Wichita	KS
TE	Stan	Van Den Berg	Fraternal Relations	Wichita	KS
TE	Josh	Weeks	Kirk Crossing	Jenks	OK
TE	Todd	Weiland	Colonial Presbyterian Church	Overland Park	KS
TE	Jim	West	Colonial Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO

PRESBYTERY OF THE GULF SOUTH

RE	William	Adams	First Presbyterian Church	Baton Rouge	LA
TE	Martin Whitney	Alexander	Youth Conference Ministries	Belle Chasse	LA

TE	Mike	Allen	Westminster Presbyterian	Laurel	MS
RE	Allen	Armstrong	Diamondhead Community Church	Diamondhead	MS
TE	Weston	Blaha	Grace Fellowship	Marshall	TX
TE	James	Blaha	Lakeside Presbyterian Church	Brandon	MS
TE	Miguel	Broche	Hope Church	San Antonio	TX
RE	Cheryl	Brodnax	First Presbyterian Church	Baton Rouge	LA
RE	Phil	Buehler	Westminster Presbyterian	Laurel	MS
RE	John	Carter	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Ellisville	MS
TE	Scott	Castleman	First Presbyterian Church	Ocean Springs	MS
TE	Darden	Caylor	Hope Church	San Antonio	TX
TE	Scott	Cheatwood	New Covenant Presbyterian Church	Mandeville	LA
RE	Brett	Clifton	First Presbyterian Church	Pascagoula	MS
RE	Richard	Coker	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Jackson	MS
TE	Josh	Cole	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Jackson	MS
RE	Jessica	Concienne	First Presbyterian Church	Zachary	LA
RE	Keith	Cook	Grace Fellowship	Marshall	TX
RE	Jane	Cooper	First Presbyterian Church	Baton Rouge	LA
TE	Chip	Cos	First Presbyterian Church	Meridian	MS
TE	Nathan	Cotton	Diamondhead Community Church	Diamondhead	MS
TE	William	Crawford	First Presbyterian Church	Thibodaux	LA
RE	Jonathan	Crowder	Faith Presbyterian	Covington	LA
TE	Ben	Cunningham	Church of the Resurrection	New Orleans	LA
TE	Gerrit	Dawson	First Presbyterian Church	Baton Rouge	LA
RE	Mifflin	Dove	Cornerstone EPC	Katy	TX
TE	Kory	Duncan	First Presbyterian Church	Ocean Springs	MS
RE	Chris	Eberdt	New Covenant Presbyterian Church	Mandeville	LA
TE	William	Fikes	Westminster Presbyterian	Laurel	MS
TE	Alfredo	Forhans	Hope Church	Marion	TX
TE	Brandon	Fremion	City of Refuge EPC	Houston	TX
RE	Mike	Goodwin	First Presbyterian Church	Ocean Springs	MS
TE	Scott	Graham	First Presbyterian Church	Baton Rouge	LA
RE	Gary	Harris	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Jackson	MS
RE	Frank	Jarman	Grace Chapel	Madison	MS
RE	Victor	Jones	Westminster EPC	Laurel	MS
TE	Bo	Kyle	First Presbyterian Church	Meridian	MS
RE	James	Machen	Faith Presbyterian Church	Covington	LA
RE	Johnny	Mardis	Lakeside Presbyterian Church	Brandon	MS
TE	Tom	Masterson	Hope Church	San Antonio	TX
RE	Steve	Mathis	Grace Presbyterian Church	Alexandria	LA
RE	Kathryn	McAlpin	Diamondhead Community Church	Diamondhead	MS
RE	Kevin	McCarter	First Presbyterian Church	Baton Rouge	LA
TE	Joseph	McDaniels	Woodland Presbyterian Church	New Orleans	LA
RE	Michael	Miga	Grace Fellowship	Marshall	TX
RE	Bill	Mills	Grace Fellowship	Marshall	TX
TE	Andrew	Mills	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Jackson	MS
TE	Jason	Minter	Covenant EPC	Lake Jackson	TX
TE	Matt	Mitchell	First Presbyterian Church	Pascagoula	MS
RE	Douglas	Nasif	First Presbyterian Church	Port Gibson	MS
RE	Luther	Phillips	The Table Dallas	Carrollton	TX

RE	Brandon	Queen	Bayou Christian Church	Thibodaux	LA
TE	Edward	Ramer	Bureau of Prisons	Pollock	LA
TE	Bryan	Rhodes	Grace Presbyterian Church	Alexandria	LA
TE	Tommy	Robinson	Grace Chapel Madison	Madison	MS
RE	Bryan	Rodgers	First Presbyterian Church	Ocean Springs	MS
RE	Richard	Sahuque	Diamondhead Community Church	Diamondhead	MS
TE	Carter	Sanger	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	Katy	TX
RE	William	Smith	Grace Presbyterian Church	Alexandria	LA
RE	Gary	Smith	Grace Presbyterian Church	Alexandria	LA
RE	Jager	Smith	Lakeside Presbyterian Church	Brandon	MS
TE	Tyson	Taylor	Lakeside Presbyterian Church	Brandon	MS
TE	Ro	Taylor	Restoration Church	Hattiesburg	MS
TE	Darin	Travis	First Presbyterian Church	Baton Rouge	LA
TE	David	Wahlstedt	The Table Dallas	Carrollton	TX
RE	Hank	Williams	Bayou Christian Church	Houma	LA
TE	Jason	Wood	Faith Presbyterian Church	Covington	LA
RE	Greg	Worch	First Presbyterian Church	Ocean Springs	MS
RE	Daniel	Zito	First Presbyterian Church	Baton Rouge	LA

PRESBYTERY OF THE MID-AMERICA

TE	Nathan	Arnold	The Bridge North County	Ferguson	MO
RE	Mark	Blakley	Gashland EPC	Kansas City	MO
TE	Sean	Boone	The Bridge North County	Ferguson	MO
TE	Taylor	Bruce	Central Presbyterian Church	Saint Louis	MO
TE	Ritchey	Cable	Office of the General Assembly	Kansas City	MO
TE	Nathan	Edwards	Renew EPC	Lees Summit	MO
RE	Eugene	Fahrenkrog	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO
TE	Michael	Farley	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO
RE	Ethan	Funk	Gashland EPC	Kansas City	MO
RE	Donald	Gladhart	Brookdale Presbyterian	St Joseph	MO
RE	Susan	Humphreys	Big Creek Presbyterian	Hannibal	MO
RE	Jim	Humphreys	Big Creek Presbyterian	Hannibal	MO
RE	Steven	Hurst	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO
TE	Aaron	Klein	Warsaw EPC	Warsaw	IN
RE	Aaron	Kleinmeyer	Gashland EPC	Kansas City	MO
RE	Edward	Koehler	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO
RE	Dexter	Kuhlman	Central Presbyterian	Clayton	MO
TE	Josh	Lee	Gashland EPC	Kansas City	MO
TE	Cole	Lescher	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO
RE	Derek	Lohse	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO
RE	John	McGowan	Central Presbyterian	St Louis	MO
TE	Justin	McLaury	City Church	St. Louis	MO
TE	Matt	Miller	Greentree Community	Kirkwood	MO
TE	Harry	Monroe	Brookdale Presbyterian	St. Joseph	MO
RE	Randy	Moore	Greentree Community Church	Kirkwood	MO
TE	Michael	Morefield	Gashland EPC	Kansas City	MO
RE	Paul	Moylan	Central Presbyterian Church	St. Louis	MO
RE	Neal	Nielsen	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO
RE	Tim	Page	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO

RE	Donna	Smith	Brookdale Presbyterian	St Joseph	MO
RE	Gary	Smith	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO
RE	Rachel	Tarr	CWE Church	St Louis	MO
RE	Michael	Treadwell	Central Presbyterian Church	Saint Louis	MO
TE	Benjamin	Tzeng	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO
RE	Scott	Wait	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO
RE	Thomas	Werner	Greentree Community Church	St. Louis	MO
RE	Bob	Williams	Gashland EPC	Kansas City	MO
RE	Gerald	Zweerink	Brookdale Presbyterian	St Joseph	MO

PRESBYTERY OF THE MIDWEST

TE	Patrick	Allen	First Presbyterian Church	Ada	OH
RE	Jeff	Anders	First Presbyterian Church	Harrison	OH
RE	Ron	Benedict	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Lebanon	OH
TE	Daniel	Borgelt	Kirkmont Church	Beavercreek	OH
RE	Darrell	Bozeman	Cornerstone EPC	Brighton	MI
TE	David	Brown	Knox Presbyterian Church	Ann Arbor	MI
RE	Max	Byrd	College Corner Presbyterian	College Corner	OH
TE	Sean	Carroll	Ward Church	Northville	MI
TE	Alan	Conrow	Fellowship EPC	South Lyon	MI
RE	Blake	Cox	Warsaw EPC	Warsaw	IN
TE	Michael	Daling	Christ's Community Church	Fort Wayne	IN
RE	Brian	Evans	5point7 Community Church	Detroit	MI
TE	Ian	Ferguson	Christ Covenant Church	Cincinnati	OH
TE	Mike	Frison	Ward Church	Northville	MI
TE	Mark	Fuller	Trinity Church	Plymouth	MI
RE	Tony	Gibson	North Oaks Church	Clarkston	MI
TE	Chris	Gibson	World Outreach	Pencaitland	UK
TE	Andrew	Gilman	First Presbyterian Church	Greenville	OH
TE	Terence	Gray	Ward Church	Northville	MI
TE	Matthew	Grimm	Cornerstone EPC	Brighton	MI
TE	Josh	Hanson	Gateway Church	Findlay	OH
TE	Joyce	Harris	First EPC	Kokomo	IN
RE	Deanna	Hatmaker	Ward Church	Northville	MI
RE	Matt	Heft	Gateway EPC	Findlay	OH
TE	David	Henderson	Covenant Church	West Lafayette	IN
TE	Anne	Horton	Cedarville UPC	Cedarville	OH
TE	Jason	Huff	Living Hope Church	St Clair Shores	MI
TE	Brandon	Jolley	Hopewell Presbyterian	Franklin	IN
RE	Steve	Jones	First EPC	Kokomo	IN
TE	Brently	Jord	Covenant Church	West Lafayette	IN
RE	Timothy	Kanzelmeyer	Knox Presbyterian Church	Ann Arbor	MI
RE	John	Korb	Cedarville UPC	Cedarville	OH
RE	Franki	Kung	Covenant Church	West Lafayette	IN
TE	Peter	Larson	Retired	Lebanon	OH
RE	Bob	Lilje	Cedarville UPC	Cedarville	OH
TE	Joshua	Long	First Presbyterian Church	Harrison	OH
RE	Carolyn	Lucke	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Lebanon	OH
RE	Stephen	Mahan	Cornerstone	Brighton	MI

TE	Glen	Massey	Southport EPC	Indianapolis	IN
TE	Will	McCabe	Oakhill Presbyterian Church	Grand Rapids	MI
RE	Debbie	Meagher	Ward Church	Northville	MI
RE	Julie	Mennel	Southport EPC	Indianapolis	IN
RE	Brian	Middendorf	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO
RE	Heather	Moore	Southport EPC	Indianapolis	IN
TE	Jeff	Moore	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Lebanon	OH
TE	Andrew	Morton	Ossian First Presbyterian	Ossian	IN
TE	Tom	Nelson	Grace Point Church	Nappanee	IN
RE	Gary	O'Keefe	Fellowship EPC	South Lyon	MI
RE	Chris	Ockerman	Ward Church	Northville	MI
RE	Jeffrey	Peck	Warsaw EPC	Warsaw	IN
RE	Mark	Pierett	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Lebanon	OH
RE	Will	Pierson	Trinity Church	Plymouth	MI
TE	Stephanie	Poblenz	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Lebanon	OH
RE	Eugene	Primm	Central Presbyterian Church	St. Louis	MO
RE	Russ	Raney	Trinity Church	Plymouth	MI
TE	Daniel	Rose	The Antioch Movement	Ypsilanti	MI
RE	Laurie	Sadler	First EPC	Kokomo	IN
RE	Dan	Schmeckpeper	North Oaks	Clarkston	MI
TE	Pete	Scribner	Calvary Presbyterian Church	Flint	MI
TE	Blaise	Shields	St Andrew Church EPC	Auburn	IN
RE	Bruce	Shown	Warsaw EPC	Warsaw	IN
RE	Vincent	Smith	College Corner Presbyterian	College Corner	OH
RE	Mark	Smith	Cornerstone Church	Brighton	MI
RE	Isabel	Snyder	Kirkmont	Tipp City	OH
TE	David	Snyder	Kirkmont	Tipp City	OH
RE	Cherie	Speer	Southport EPC	Indianapolis	IN
TE	Jason	Steele	Community EPC	Owosso	MI
RE	Gerri	Sutherland	Ward Church	Northville	MI
RE	Peter	Tassi	Ward Church	Northville	MI
RE	Mark	Taylor	Olivet Community Church	Evansville	IN
TE	William	Teague	Midwest Presbytery	Auburn	IN
RE	Allison	Toren	First EPC	Kokomo	IN
TE	David	Tori	Trinity Church	Plymouth	MI
TE	Mark	Vanderput	EPC World Outreach	Rockford	IL
RE	Robert	Wheelock	Cornerstone EPC	White Lake	MI
TE	Aaron	White	First Presbyterian Church	South Charleston	OH
RE	Marilyn	Whitney	Christ's Community Church	Fort Wayne	IN
TE	Chris	Winans	Cornerstone Church	Brighton	MI
TE	SJ	Winter	Faith Presbyterian Church	West Lafayette	IN
TE	Andrew	Winter	Faith Presbyterian Church	West Lafayette	IN
RE	John	Wood	Christ Covenant Church	Cincinnati	OH
RE	David	Wood	Ward Church	Northville	MI
RE	Roy	Yanke	PIR Ministries	Wyoming	MI
RE	Charles	Youther	Kirkmont PC	Beavercreek	OH

PRESBYTERY OF THE NEW RIVER

RE	Paul	Anderson	Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Elkton	VA

RE	Don	Andree	First EPC	Roanoke	VA
RE	Clay	Atkins	Rivermont EPC	Lynchburg	VA
RE	Marion	Blackwell	Reynolda Presbyterian	Winston-Salem	NC
RE	Ken	Bradford	Rivermont EPC	Lynchburg	VA
TE	Rich	Brown	Downtown Presbyterian	Lynchburg	VA
TE	Richard	Burnette	Bouldin Memorial EPC	Stuart	VA
TE	Rufus	Burton	First Church	Martinsburg	WV
TE	Charles	Caldwell	Hope Community Church	Waynesboro	VA
TE	Thomas	Clymer	Mebane Presbyterian Church	Mebane	NC
TE	John	Cushwa	First Presbyterian Church	Martinsburg	WV
TE	Brian	Edmonds	River Oaks Community Church	Clemmons	NC
TE	Chuck	Estes	Reynolda Church	Winston-Salem	NC
TE	William	Eubank	Rivermont EPC	Lynchburg	VA
RE	Della	Fulcher	Bouldin Memorial EPC	Stuart	VA
RE	Rickie	Fulcher	Bouldin Memorial EPC	Stuart	VA
TE	David	Garrison	Northminster	Madison Heights	VA
TE	M.D.	Hagwood	Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Elkton	VA
RE	Michael	Hall	Rivermont EPC	Lynchburg	VA
TE	James	Harris	US Air Force	USAFA	CO
RE	Dave	Hoback	Stuart Presbyterian	Stuart	VA
TE	David	Holcomb	River Oaks Community Church	Clemmons	NC
TE	Andrew	Koesters	FamiliesAlive	Greensboro	NC
RE	William	Latimer	Mebane Presbyterian Church	Mebane	NC
TE	Brian	Marsh	Buffalo Presbyterian Church	Greensboro	NC
RE	Russell	Matney	Rivermont EPC	Lynchburg	VA
RE	Ben	Moomaw	Rivermont EPC	Lynchburg	VA
RE	Jimmy	Murray	Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Elkton	VA
TE	Ed	Pettus	Princeton Presbyterian Church	Princeton	WV
TE	Danny	Redman	Stuart Presbyterian	Stuart	VA
RE	Scott	Rice	First EPC	Roanoke	VA
TE	Jonathan	Rockness	Westminster Bluefield	Bluefield	WV
TE	Jeff	Schrage	First EPC	Roanoke	VA
RE	Andrew	Shields	Rivermont EPC	Lynchburg	VA
TE	Eric	Shipton	FORGE Church	Greensboro	NC
TE	Cameron	Smith	New Life Presbyterian Church	Salem	VA
TE	Adam	Snow	Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Elkton	VA
RE	Brandon	Staton	Restoration Community Church	Lexington	NC
RE	Randy	Swartz	First Presbyterian Church	Martinsburg	WV
RE	Shannon	Taylor	Mebane Presbyterian Church	Mebane	NC
RE	Heather	Underhill	Stuart Presbyterian	Stuart	VA
TE	David	Weber	Rivermont EPC	Lynchburg	VA
TE	Andrew	Wild	River Oaks Community Church	Clemmons	NC
TE	Alan	Wright	Reynolda Church	Winston-Salem	NC

PRESBYTERY OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

TE	Tommy	Allen	Mercy Spokane	Spokane	WA
TE	Reuben	Antvelink	New Hope Presbyterian	Kent	WA
TE	Aaron	Beaty	Peace Memorial EPC	Keno	OR
RE	Ronald	Bengelink	New Hope Presbyterian	Kent	WA

RE	Glenn	Boeshaar	New Hope Presbyterian	Renton	WA
TE	Daniel	Boettcher	Alder Presbyterian Church	Eatonville	WA
RE	Stephanie	Bowlds	Chapel Hill Church	Gig Harbor	WA
RE	Dominic	Campanella	First EPC	Oregon City	OR
RE	Peggy	Carlson	Montesano Presbyterian	Montesano	WA
TE	John	Carpenter	Oakville Presbyterian	Shedd	OR
RE	Bruce	Case	Living Waters EPC	Wendell	ID
TE	Jeff	Chandler	Sequim Community Church	Sequim	WA
TE	Rick	Dietzman	Sequim Community Church	Sequim	WA
TE	Richard	Evans	Jacksonville Presbyterian	Jacksonville	OR
RE	Kyle	Gilbertson	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Tacoma	WA
RE	Lonni	Gilbertson	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Tacoma	WA
RE	Michael	Gordon	Chapel Hill Church	Gig Harbor	WA
RE	Tom	Gray	Chapel Hill Church	Gig Harbor	WA
RE	Leonard	Green	Chapel Hill Church	Gig Harbor	WA
RE	Scott	Griffin	Chapel Hill Church	Gig Harbor	WA
TE	Lawrence	Hackman	Kitsap House	Port Orchard	WA
TE	Megan	Hackman	Kitsap House	Port Orchard	WA
RE	Sally	Hager	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Woodland	WA
RE	Chris	Hallam	Chapel Hill Church	Gig Harbor	WA
RE	Paul	Harmon	Oakville Presbyterian	Albany	OR
RE	Kathy	Hartrum	Sunset Church	Portland	OR
TE	Julie	Hawkins	Chapel Hill Church	Gig Harbor	WA
TE	William	Heming	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Tacoma	WA
RE	Diane	Henderson	Living Waters EPC	Wendell	ID
RE	Andrew	Holle	Sequim Community Church	Sequim	WA
RE	Carol	Houston	Christ Community Church	Caldwell	ID
TE	James	Howe	Siskiyou County Sheriff Chaplain	Weed	CA
TE	Joshua	Hurd	Living Waters EPC	Wendell	ID
RE	Lorre	Hutchinson	First EPC	Oregon City	OR
TE	Jeffrey	Jeremiah	Retired	Renton	WA
TE	Jeffrey	Juday	World Outreach	Lakeville	MA
TE	Lawrence	Jung	First Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	OR
TE	Joe	Kim	New Hope Presbyterian	Kent	WA
TE	Douglas	Kortyna	Christ Presbyterian Church	Boise	ID
TE	Mike	Kuhn	World Outreach	Bellingham	WA
TE	Kevin	Leach	Woodland Presbyterian	Woodland	WA
RE	Jim	Lester	Community Church	Ephrata	WA
RE	Rosemary	Lukens	Chapel Hill Church	Gig Harbor	WA
TE	Bill	MacDonald	Community Church	Ephrata	WA
RE	Michael	Madany	New Hope Presbyterian	Colorado Springs	CO
RE	Daniel	Martell	Community Church	Ephrata	WA
TE	Bruce	Marten	First EPC	Oregon City	OR
TE	Michael	McMillan	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Montesano	WA
RE	Matt	Merfeld	Bickleton Evangelical Community	Bickleton	WA
TE	Dave	Moody	Christ Community Church	Caldwell	ID
RE	Gary	Moore	Evergreen Church	Graham	WA
RE	Travis	Morgan	Jacksonville Presbyterian	Jacksonville	OR
TE	Nathan	Moser	World Outreach - ITEN	Ephrata	WA

TE	Zachary	Nerison	Community Presbyterian Church	Onalaska	WA
TE	Philip	Pent	Saddlerock Church	East Wenatchee	WA
RE	Ryan	Robertson	Jacksonville Presbyterian	Jacksonville	OR
RE	Juanita	Seale	Christ Community Church	Caldwell	ID
RE	Dirk	Sigrist	New Hope Presbyterian	Kent	WA
RE	Chip	Slothower	Chapel Hill Church	Gig Harbor	WA
RE	Matt	Smeller	Saddlerock Church	Wenatchee	WA
RE	Nicholas	Smith	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Tacoma	WA
RE	Gina	Stewart	Kitsap House	Port Orchard	WA
RE	Carolyn	Swanson	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Tacoma	WA
RE	Joy	Tayler	Jacksonville Presbyterian	Jacksonville	OR
TE	Christopher	Teague	US Air Force	Navarre	FL
RE	Brad	Tedrow	Oakville Presbyterian	Shedd	OR
TE	Mark	Toone	Chapel Hill Church	Gig Harbor	WA
RE	Brian	Tuor	Bickleton Evangelical Community Church	Mabton	WA
RE	Steven	Wallace	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Battle Ground	WA
TE	Zach	Washburn	Calvin Presbyterian	Corvallis	OR
TE	Nick	Welch	Grace and McCloud Presbyterian Churches	Dunsmuir	CA
TE	Michael	Wey	Evergreen Church	Graham	WA
TE	Rachel	White	Chapel Hill Church	Gig Harbor	WA
TE	Ellis	White	Chapel Hill Church	Gig Harbor	WA
RE	Peter	Yeager	First Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	OR
TE	Matthew	Young	Wabash Church	Buckley	WA

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TE	David	Abdo	Easton Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA
TE	Greg	Alderman	Alliance of Reformed Churches	Denton	TX
TE	Eric	Amundson	Hope Church	Murphysboro	IL
TE	Noel	Anderson	First Presbyterian Church	Hanford	CA
TE	Ryan	Balbi	Christ Community Church	Carmichael	CA
RE	Dianne	Billharz	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Reno	NV
TE	Ryan	Bogert	Fremont Presbyterian Church	FREMONT	CA
RE	Ersula	Bombard	Centerpoint Community Church	Roseville	CA
RE	Jeff	Brockmeier	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Placentia	CA
TE	David	Burke	Standing Stone Ministry	Carmichael	CA
TE	Donny	Butkus	Fair Oaks Church	Fair Oaks	CA
RE	Barbara	Cantrell	Covenant Community Church	Vacaville	CA
TE	Marty	Carpenter	2Grow4food	Clovis	CA
RE	David	Chesney	First Presbyterian Church	Bakersfield	CA
RE	Candace	Clemmons	Covenant Community Church	Vacaville	CA
RE	Jim	Conners	First Presbyterian Church	Bakersfield	CA
TE	David	Constance	First Presbyterian Church	Bakersfield	CA
TE	Dustin	DeVriend	Christ Community Church	Carmichael	CA
TE	Nancy	Duff	Covenant Community Church	Vacaville	CA
RE	Rebecca	Duvall	Covenant Community Church	Vacaville	CA
RE	Mark	Eshoff	Fremont Presbyterian Church	Sacramento	CA
TE	David	Fenska	EPC World Outreach	San Diego	CA
TE	Ken	Ferguson	San Ramon Presbyterian Church	San Ramon	CA
RE	Bob	Findlay	Christ Community Church	Carmichael	CA

TE	Greg	Flagg	Sierra Presbyterian Church	Nevada City	CA
TE	Steve	Gold	Covenant Community Church Vacaville	Vacaville	CA
RE	Chester	Goodale	First Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA
RE	John	Goodell	First Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA
TE	Mike	Griffin	Sierra Presbyterian Church	Nevada City	CA
TE	Gregory	Haroutunian	First Armenian Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA
RE	Andrew	Hatfield	Fair Oaks Church	Fair Oaks	CA
RE	Sally	Herald	First Presbyterian Church	Bakersfield	CA
TE	Jeff	Hooker	Centerpoint Community Church	Roseville	CA
TE	James (Jay)	Hull	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Reno	NV
RE	Chuck	Kinney	First Presbyterian Church	Hanford	CA
RE	Cliff	Klein	First Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA
TE	Sam	Knottnerus	Centerville Presbyterian Church	Fremont	CA
TE	Meagan	Kroeker	First Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA
RE	Ron	Lee	Christ Community Church	Carmichael	CA
RE	Linda	Marshall	New Life Community Church	Covelo	CA
TE	Joe	Mazzela	All Nations Gateway Church	Arvin	CA
TE	Matthew	McCleary	Fremont Presbyterian Church	Sacramento	CA
RE	Marjorie	Miller	Easton Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA
TE	Marcos	Ortega	First Presbyterian Church	Bakersfield	CA
RE	Keith	Parker	Clayton Community Church	Clayton	CA
RE	Joni	Phinney	Centerpoint Community Church	Roseville	CA
RE	Annette	Rajskup	First Presbyterian Church	Hanford	CA
RE	Christopher	Rhodes	Covenant Church	Reno	NV
TE	Lana	Roberts	Easton Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA
TE	Shawn	Robinson	Clayton Community Church	Clayton	CA
RE	John	Rodgers	First Presbyterian Church	Bakersfield	CA
TE	Rachel	Schmit	Centerville Presbyterian Church	Fremont	CA
RE	Ken	Shepard	Christ Community Church	Carmichael	CA
TE	Jeremy	Vaccaro	First Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA
RE	Grover	Waldon	First Presbyterian Church	Bakersfield	CA
RE	Roy	Warren	Christ Community Church	Carmichael	CA
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TE	Justin	Beach	First United Presbyterian Church	Moline	IL
TE	Chris	Curtis	Hope EPC	Grayslake	IL
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RE	Chris	Danusiar	Immanuel Presbyterian Church	Winfield	IL
RE	Ben	Dehmlow	Roseland Reformed Church	Blomkest	MN
TE	Jeffrey	Durham	GracePoint	Dubuque	IA
TE	Nick	Garner	Kishwaukee Community EPC	Stillman Valley	IL
TE	Isaac	Gould	Riverside Evangelical Church	Sartell	MN
TE	Mark	Groen	First Reformed	Edgerton	MN
TE	Stephen	Hess	Highview EPC	Dousman	WI
TE	Zachary	Hopkins	Edgington EPC	Taylor Ridge	IL
TE	Doug	Hull	Aplington EPC	Aplington	IA
RE	George	Kalemkarian	First United Presbyterian Church	Moline	IL

TE	Jeffrey	Lancaster	Chicago 7/20 Vision	Chicago	IL
RE	Gail	Lesperance	Faith EPC	Crivitz	WI
RE	Lauren	Mathues	Immanuel Presbyterian	Bartlett	IL
RE	Gary	Miles	Kishwaukee Community EPC	Stilllman Valley	IL
RE	Kevin	Oak	Edgington EPC	Taylor Ridge	IL
RE	Linda	Paulson	Riverside EPC	Sartell	MN
RE	Tod	Paulson	Riverside EPC	Sartell,	MN
RE	Jim	Pleuss	Faith EPC	Crivitz	WI
TE	David	Pleuss	Faith EPC	Crivitz	WI
TE	Bob	Price	US Navy	Silverdale	WA
TE	Annie	Rose	EPC Office of the General Assembly	Orlando	FL
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RE	Kate	Borders	Church of the Redeemer	Maryville	TN
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TE	Daniel	Cheevers	Bethany Presbyterian Church	Kingsport	TN
TE	Lesley	Cheevers	Bethany Presbyterian Church	Kingsport	TN
TE	Kenneth	Chivers	First Presbyterian Church	Rome	GA
TE	Matt	Christian	ChristChurch Presbyterian	Dalton	GA
TE	John	Cleveland	Faith Presbyterian Church	McDonough	GA
RE	Lynn	Collier	First Presbyterian Church	Rome	GA
RE	Carol	Collier	Signal Mountain Presbyterian	Signal Mountain	TN
TE	Grady	Davidson	Timothy Two Project International	Wilmington	NC
TE	Tracy	Edwards	Standing Stone Ministry	San Clemente	CA
TE	Tim	Filston	First Presbyterian	Thomasville	GA
RE	Gary	Fleet	ChristChurch Presbyterian	Dalton	GA
RE	Jay	Flowers	First Presbyterian Church	Thomasville	GA
RE	Michelle	Ford	Signal Mountain Presbyterian	Signal Mountain	TN
TE	James	Forsyth	Cedar Springs Presbyterian	Knoxville	TN
RE	Ken	Fryar	Lookout Valley Presbyterian	Chattanooga	TN
TE	Eric	Geil	ChristChurch Presbyterian	Dalton	GA
TE	Michael	Herrin	First Presbyterian Church	Donalsonville	GA
RE	Jonathan	Hodges	Murphy Presbyterian Church	Murphy	NC
TE	Mary	Hollingsworth	Signal Mountain Presbyterian	Signal Mountain	TN
TE	Philip	James	Signal Mountain Presbyterian	Signal Mountain	TN
TE	William	Johnson	Parkview Church	Lilburn	GA
RE	Micajah	Jones	First Presbyterian Church	Thomasville	GA
TE	Tommy	Jordan	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	Franklin	NC
TE	Matt	Koehn	Water Stone Church	Smyrna	GA
RE	Brenda	Lee	First Presbyterian Church	Thomasville	GA
RE	Johnny	Long	EPC Office of the General Assembly	Orlando	FL
RE	Donna	McKenzie	Signal Mountain Presbyterian	Signal Mountain	TN

RE	Anthony	Pemerton	First Presbyterian Church	Rome	GA
RE	Christopher	Poole	Signal Mountain Presbyterian	Signal Mountain	TN
TE	Toby	Pope	Grace Presbyterian Church	Franklin	NC
RE	Effie	Powell	Lookout Valley Presbyterian	Chattanooga	TN
TE	Ryan	Randolph	Crosswalk Community Church	Knoxville	TN
TE	Ben	Ruyack	Church of the Redeemer	Maryville	TN
TE	Jonathan	Schwartz	First Presbyterian Church	Rome	GA
TE	Joey	Sherrard	Signal Mountain Presbyterian	Signal Mountain	TN
TE	Jason	Shiver	First Presbyterian Church	Bainbridge	GA
TE	Dave	Strunk	Church of the Redeemer	Maryville	TN
TE	Adel	Thalos	Transitional pastor	Excelsior Springs	MO
RE	Donna	Tipton	Church of the Redeemer	Maryville	TN
TE	Sean	White	Eastminster	Knoxville	TN
TE	Tyler	Wilson	First Presbyterian Church	Thomasville	GA
RE	Tammie	Wolff	First Presbyterian Church	Thomasville	GA

PRESBYTERY OF THE WEST

TE	Brandon	Addison	Church Health	Littleton	CO
TE	Michael	Anderson	Grace Community Church	Falcon	CO
TE	Doug	Ashley	Longview EPC	Longview	TX
TE	Donald	Azbell	First Presbyterian Church	Colorado Springs	CO
TE	Sharon	Azbell	First Presbyterian Church	Colorado Springs	CO
RE	Lori	Bachman	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
TE	Sue	Bailey	Lookup2Him; CBE Denver	Littleton	CO
RE	William	Barnes	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	Englewood	CO
RE	Royal	Benjamin	Parker EPC	Parker	CO
TE	Brian	Bortz	Cherry Hills Comm. Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
RE	Joe	Bradley	Parker EPC	Parker	CO
RE	Oran	Brown	Desert Hills Presbyterian	Scottsdale	AZ
RE	Mark	Brown	Grace Community Church	Surprise	AZ
TE	Doug	Brown	Greenwood Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
RE	Gena	Bunn	Longview EPC	Longview	TX
RE	Mario	Busnardo	Faith EPC	Aurora	CO
RE	Mary	Campbell	Grace Community Church	Falcon	CO
RE	John	Campbell	Grace Community Church	Falcon	CO
RE	Cameron	Carlile	Longview EPC	Longview	TX
RE	Ken	Chang	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	Englewood	CO
TE	Patrick	Cobb	Grace Community Fellowship	Helena	MT
TE	Paul	Cochran	Three Links Health Services	Rochester	MN
TE	Ryan	Cook	Springhill Presbyterian Church	Bozeman	MT
RE	Lorraine	Cooper	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	Greenwood Village	CO
RE	Amy	Curd	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
RE	Dianne	Daniels	Parker EPC	Parker	CO
RE	Greg	Daniels	Presbytery of the West	Parker	CO
RE	Kathy	Danser	Greenwood Community Church	Greenwood Village	CO
TE	Matt	DePriest	Parker EPC	Parker	CO
TE	Rem	Dyas	Grace Lakin	Lakin	KS
TE	Brett	Everett	Desert Hills Presbyterian Church	Scottsdale	AZ
RE	Jonathan	Ewert	Cornerstone Community Church	Greeley	CO

RE	Mark	Fairchild	Christ Covenant	Leoti	KS
RE	Alison	Fall	Cherry creek Presbyterian church	Highlands Ranch	CO
RE	Gregory	Fast	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
RE	Sean	Fetty	Christ Covenant	Leoti	KS
TE	Will	Freyschlag	Parker EPC	Parker	CO
TE	Jeanne	Gaessler	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	Englewood	CO
TE	Brett	Garretson	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
TE	Brian	Gawf	Highline Community Church	Centennial	CO
RE	Craig	Gilbert	Springhill Presbyterian Church	Bozeman	MT
RE	Jerad	Gooch	Christ Covenant	Leoti	KS
TE	Mark	Grapengater	The Table Project	Denver	CO
RE	Thomas	Haefliger	Greenwood Community Church	Greenwood Village	CO
RE	Gary	Hein	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	Englewood	CO
RE	Rhonda	Hellwig	GracePoint Community Church	Littleton	CO
RE	Phil	Henke	Highline Community Church	Centennial	CO
TE	David	Hoffelmeyer	Faith Church	Loveland	CO
RE	Ken	Horton	Christ Covenant	Leoti	KS
RE	Matt	Horton	Christ Covenant Church	Leoti	KS
TE	Robert	Howard	Faith Presbyterian Church	Aurora	CO
TE	Jason	Hubbard	Longview EPC	Longview	TX
TE	Marc	Huebl	Covenant Community Church	Aurora	CO
RE	Tim	Hunter	Longview EPC	Longview	TX
TE	Mark	Ingles	EPC Office of the General Assembly	Orlando	FL
RE	Cynthia L	Jamieson	Greenwood Community	Aurora	CO
RE	Luke	Jessen	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
RE	Vickie	Johnson	Desert Hills Presbyterian	Scottsdale	AZ
RE	Monica	Johnson	Parker EPC	Parker	CO
TE	Nathan	Johnson	Christ Reformed Presbyterian Church	Torrington	WY
RE	Michael	Kalous	Grace Community Fellowship	Helena	MT
RE	Jared	Kelso	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	Englewood	CO
TE	Bradly	Kenney	Soccer Chaplains United	Denver	CO
TE	Jason	Kim	US Air Force	Bonaire	GA
TE	Joshua	King	GracePoint Community Church	Littleton	CO
TE	Douglas	Klein	Cherry Hills Community	Highlands Ranch	CO
TE	Shelley	Kral	Longview EPC	Longview	TX
RE	William	Kramer	Canyons Community Church	Castle Rock	CO
RE	Pam	LaPorte	Cornerstone Community Church	Greeley	CO
TE	Setan	Lee	TransformAsia	Aurora	CO
RE	James	Lewien	Parker EPC	Parker	CO
TE	Fred	Lian	Retired	Highlands Ranch	CO
TE	Adam	Long	Greenwood Community Church	Greenwood Village	CO
RE	Kent	Maddux	Grace Lakin	Deerfield	KS
RE	Judy	Malin	GracePoint Community Church	Littleton	CO
TE	Clifford	Mansley	Grace Community Church	Surprise	AZ
TE	Ed	McCallum	EPC World Outreach - ITEN	Phoenix	AZ
RE	Gary	McCune	Canyons Community Church	Castle Rock	CO
TE	Gary	McCusker	Parker EPC	Parker	CO
TE	Jeremy	McNeill	Christ Community EPC	Great Falls	MT
TE	David	Meserve	The Neighborhood Church	Littleton	CO

RE	Nathan	Miller	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
RE	Heath	Miller	Cornerstone Community Church	Greeley	CO
TE	Cazden	Minter	Advent Church	Cordova	TN
RE	Gerardo	Mireles	Cornerstone Community Church	Greeley	CO
TE	Albert	Moore	Abide Mountain Ministries	Bayfield	CO
TE	Stephen	Morefield	Christ Covenant Church	Leoti	KS
RE	Mackenzie	Munoz	Parker EPC	Parker	CO
RE	Robin	Myers	Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church	Parker	CO
RE	Joe	Nelson	Springhill Presbyterian Church	Bozeman	MT
TE	Stephen	Newhall	Littleton Christian Church	Littleton	CO
TE	David	Newsham	Cornerstone Community Church	Aurora	CO
TE	Jim	Noble	Desert Hills Presbyterian	Scottsdale	AZ
RE	Jim	Nock	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
RE	Gordon	Northcutt	Longview EPC	Longview	TX
TE	Erik	Ohman	Faith Aurora	Aurora	CO
RE	John	Ortmann	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
RE	Diane	Pauls	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
TE	Josh	Peck	Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church	Greenwood Village	CO
TE	Chris	Piehl	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	Englewood	CO
RE	Richard	Pilon	Greenwood Community Church	Greenwood Village	CO
RE	Randal	Pope	Christ Community EPC	Vaughn	MT
RE	Wade	Pursell	Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church	Greenwood Village	CO
RE	Tim	Quintana	Greenwood Community Church	Greenwood Village	CO
TE	Doug	Resler	Parker EPC	Parker	CO
RE	Kenneth	Roberts	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	Englewood	CO
RE	Roger	Ross	Highline Community Church	Centennial	CO
TE	David	Runyan	Canyons Community Church	Castle Rock	CO
RE	Eric	Russell	Parker EPC	Parker	CO
RE	Dana	Schultz	Parker EPC	Parker	CO
RE	Trisha	Schutzius	Christ Fellowship Church	Fort Collins	CO
RE	Suzie	Sparling	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
TE	Ramona	Spilman	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
TE	Brad	Strait	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	Greenwood Village	CO
RE	Col Richard	Swedberg	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	Englewood	CO
RE	Sam	Taylor	Longview EPC	Longview	TX
TE	Curt	Taylor	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
RE	Andy	Todd	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO
TE	Andrew	Vang	Christ Covenant Church	Leoti	KS
RE	David	VanValkenburg	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	Englewood	CO
TE	Jason	Wakefield	Global Equip	Denver	CO
RE	Frank	Wedel	Christ Covenant	Leoti	KS
RE	Barron	Weeks	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	Greenwood Village	CO
TE	Portmann	Werner	Air Force	Goodyear	AZ
RE	Tom	Whittaker	Longview EPC	Longview	TX
RE	Tim	Wilkinson	Christ Community EPC	Great Falls	MT
TE	Michael	Wright	Littleton Christian Church	Littleton	CO
RE	Dale	Zwart	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO

46-09 ENROLLMENT OF CORRESPONDING MEMBERS

ON MOTION The following were enrolled as Corresponding Members: TE Dana Allin (Evangelical Covenant Order of Presbyterians), TE Davi Gomes (Presbyterian Church of Brazil and World Reformed Fellowship), TE's Refaat Fathy, Samuel Adel (The Synod of the Nile of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Egypt), and RE Terence Roberts (St. Andrews Presbytery, Argentina).

46-10 OUTGOING MODERATOR'S REMARKS

Outgoing Moderator TE Dave Strunk addressed the Assembly and spoke on his experience as the Moderator of the 45th General Assembly.

46-11 PRESENTATION TO OUTGOING MODERATOR

Stated Clerk TE Dean Weaver (Alleghenies) shared words of appreciation and presented the retiring Moderator with tokens of his office to celebrate his year of service.

46-12 NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT (I) PARTIAL REPORT

TE Mike Goolsby (Great Plains) opened the report with prayer and, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, nominated RE Jack Cathey (Central Carolinas) to serve as Moderator of the 46th EPC General Assembly.

a. **Recommendation 46-01**: That the 46th General Assembly elect RE Jack Cathey as Moderator of the 46th EPC General Assembly.

TE Mike Moses (Central Carolinas) brought the nominating speech.

ON MOTION Nominations were closed with the required two-thirds of the Assembly voting in favor.

ON MOTION RE Jack Cathey was elected as Moderator of the 46th General Assembly.

Moderator TE Dave Strunk (Southeast) prayed for, charged, and asked the constitutional investiture questions of RE Jack Cathey and the Assembly, all of which were answered in the affirmative. He then passed Jack the Gavel and Moderator's Cross, symbols of the office of Moderator. RE Rusty Andrews (Central Carolinas) asked all past Moderators present to lay hands on RE Jack Cathey as he offered prayer for the incoming Moderator.

The newly elected Moderator offered remarks that challenged the Assembly to action for the coming year.

TE Mike Goolsby, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, nominated TE Joshua Brown (Alleghenies) to serve as Moderator-Elect of the 46th EPC General Assembly.

a. **Recommendation 46-02:** That the 46th General Assembly elect TE Joshua Brown as Moderator-Elect of the 46th EPC General Assembly.

TE Barrett Hendrickson (Florida and the Caribbean) brought the nominating speech.

ON MOTION Nominations were closed with the required two-thirds of the Assembly voting in favor.

ON MOTION TE Joshua Brown was elected as Moderator-Elect of the 46th EPC General Assembly.

Moderator Jack Cathey asked the constitutional investiture questions of TE Joshua Brown and the Assembly, all of which were answered in the affirmative.

TE Scott Bowen (Southeast) offered prayer for the Moderator-Elect.

The newly elected Moderator-Elect offered remarks that challenged the Assembly to action for the coming year and closed with prayer.

46-13 REMINDER OF DEADLINE FOR NEW BUSINESS

Stated Clerk TE Dean Weaver (Alleghenies) advised the Assembly that according to our Rules for Assembly 13-2, any new business for this Assembly to consider must be presented to the Stated Clerk's office by 12 noon ET June 17, 2026.

46-14 INTRODUCTION OF FRATERNAL GUESTS (I) PARTIAL

TE Douglas Kortyna (Pacific Northwest), Chairman of the Permanent Committee on Fraternal Relations, opened with prayer and introduced our Fraternal Guests. TE Dana Allin, Synod Executive of the Evangelical Covenant Order of Presbyterians, prayed and, on behalf of the Fraternal Guests, brought Fraternal Greetings.

46-15 AD-INTERIM COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY AND THE SACRAMENTS REPORT

RE Michelle Munger (Coastal Mid-Atlantic) and TE Walter Taylor (Coastal Mid-Atlantic) opened with prayer and presented an overview of the committee's work and recommendations.

a. **Recommendation 46-03:** 1-year extension for work on the Pastoral Letter

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-03 was adopted.

b. **Recommendation 46-04:** That the Assembly encourage Presbyteries to invite representatives from the Ad-Interim committee on Disability and the Sacraments to present the proposed Pastoral Letter draft for discussion and receive feedback.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-04 was adopted.

c. **Recommendation 46-05:** expansion of work to include creation of a Position Paper and expand the committee from nine to twelve.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-05 was adopted.

46-16 AD-INTERIM COMMITTEE ON ORDINATION STANDARDS REPORT (I) PARTIAL

TE Julie Hawkins (Pacific Northwest) and TE Doug Resler (West) opened with prayer and presented an overview of the committee's work to date and reminded the Assembly that the full report will be Wednesday afternoon in Business Session 2.

46-17 FACE-TO-FACE

TE Fred Lian (West), Chair of the Ministerial Vocation Committee, explained the function and process of the Face to Face opportunity, invited church representatives to share TE openings they have, and closed with prayer.

46-18 ADJOURNMENT WITH GREAT COMMISSION SHARING

TE Richard Rieves (Central South) shared regarding Church Planting in the EPC and closed the day's business with prayer.

46-19 WORSHIP WITH GLOBAL WORKER COMMISSIONING

Worship began at 7:15 pm with leadership from the Cherry Creek Praise Team. The court continued in worship as noted below:

ORDER OF WORSHIP
TUESDAY EVENING
JUNE 16, 2026
7:15 PM

Today's Music		Cherry Creek Praise Team
	Cornerstone	
	Firm Foundation (He Won't)	
	Solid Rock	
	Build on the Rock	
Scripture		Matthew 16:12-19
Sermon	"Lessons Learned from the Global Church"	TE Ed McCallum (West)
Presentation and Commissioning of World Outreach Global Workers		
Designated Offering for the World Outreach Member Care Fund		
Benediction		Jude 24-25

WEDNESDAY

Second Session
June 18, 2026

46-20 MORNING WORSHIP

Worship began at 9:00 am with leadership from the Cherry Creek Praise Team. The court continued in worship as noted below:

ORDER OF WORSHIP
WEDNESDAY MORNING
JUNE 18, 2026
9:00 AM

Today's Music		Cherry Creek Praise Team
	For the Beauty of the Earth	
	His Mercy is More	
	Speak, O Lord	
	The Blessing	
Scripture		John 4:1-6
Sermon	"I Can See Us Together	TE Megan Hackman (Pacific Northwest)
Benediction		TE Brad Strait (West)

46-21 CALL TO ORDER

Moderator RE Jack Cathey (Central Carolinas) called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

46-22 GREAT COMMISSION SHARE AND PRAYER

TE Mark Grapengater (West) shared about the Table Project Church plant and concluded his report with prayer.

46-23 APPROVAL OF THE DOCKETS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ON MOTION The dockets for Business Session 2 and 3 were adopted as follows:

General Assembly Business Session 2

2.1 Business Convenes – Moderator RE Jack Cathey
2.2 Great Commission Share and Opening Prayer - TE Mark Grapengater
The Table Project, Denver, CO
2.3 Approval of the Docket for Sessions 2 and 3 and Announcements – TE Dean Weaver
2.4 Nominating Committee (II) Partial Report – TE Mike Goolsby

a. Recommendation 46-06: Permanent Committee Nominees – 1st reading

b**. Recommendation 46-07:** 2026-2027 Permanent Nominating Committee and BRI Chair – 1st reading

2.5 Matters Received and Referred – TE Dean Weaver

a. Recommendation 46-08: Descending Overture 45-A
- Ratifying Amendment to **G** 11-2

b. Recommendation 46-09: Descending Overture 45-B
- Ratifying Amendment to **G** 18-3.E

c. Recommendation 46-10: Descending Overture 45-C
- Ratifying Amendment to **G** 19-4.B

d. Recommendation 46-11: Descending Overture 45-D
- Ratifying Amendment to **G** 21-2.D.1

e. Consideration of Failed Overture
- Revising the Position Paper on the Ordination of Women

2.6 Report from Church Health Team – TE Marc de Jeu, National Director of Church Health

2.7 Report of Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards – TE Julie Hawkins and TE Doug Resler, Co-Chairs

a. Recommendation 46-12 & 46-13
- Proposed Amendment to **G** 11-2.G clarifying ordination criteria

b. Recommendation 46-14 & 46-15
- Proposed Amendment to **G** 11-2.H clarifying ordination criteria

c. Recommendation 46-16 & 46-17
- Proposed Amendment to **G** 12-2

d. Recommendation 46-18
- Proposed Core Curriculum for ordination

e. Recommendation 46-19
- Proposed sunset provision for CEEP Candidates

f. Recommendation 46-20
- Recommended review of the Ministerial Committee job description

g. Recommendation 46-21
- Proposed addition to *Rules for Assembly* clarifying language about the role of the Ministerial Vocations Committee

h. Recommendation 46-22
- Proposed study to consider re-establishing licensure

i. Recommendation 46-23
- Proposed consideration of archiving *Acts of Assembly* no longer in effect

j. Recommendation 46-24

- Dismissal of the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards

2.8 Report of the Revelation 7:9 Team – TE Rufus Smith and TE Andrew Smith

2.9 Report of the Disaster Relief Committee – TE Whitney Alexander

2.10 Great Commission Share and Closing Prayer – RE Daniel Edwards
The Way City Church, Birmingham, AL

General Assembly Business Session 3

3.1 Business Convenes – Moderator RE Jack Cathey

3.2 Great Commission Share and Opening Prayer – TE Ro Taylor
Restoration Church, Hattiesburg, MS

3.3 Invitation to the 47th General Assembly – TE George Robertson

a. Recommendation 46-25

3.4 Stated Clerk's Report – TE Dean Weaver

3.5 Committee Assignments and Instructions – TE Dean Weaver

a. New Business

3.6 Great Commission Share and Closing Prayer – RE Jack Cathey
Moderator of 46th GA and Chair of National Church Planting Team

3.7 Adjournment

46-24 NOMINATING COMMITTEE (II) PARTIAL REPORT

TE Mike Goolsby (Great Plains) opened with prayer and brought the Nominating Committee Report.

a. Recommendation 46-06: That the 46th EPC General Assembly elect the slate of nominees for the 47th EPC General Assembly permanent committees and boards (1st Reading).

1. Nominations: Benefit Resources, Inc., Board of Directors

RE Michael Busch	Alleghenies	2029
RE Bill Overcast	Central South	2029
Scott Cathy	East	2029

2. Nominations: Chaplains Work and Care Committee

RE Kendra Bowers	Central South	2029
TE Jennifer Cooper	Central Carolinas	2029
TE David Snyder	Midwest	2029

3. Nominations: Disaster Relief Committee

TE Whitney Alexander	Gulf South	2029
RE Efrain Sanchez Crespo	Florida and the Caribbean	2029
Toni Harris	Central South	2029

4. Nominations: Fraternal Relations Committee

TE Julien de Leiris	Great Plains	2029
RE Josh Shelley	Central South	2029

5. Nominations: Ministerial Vocation Committee

TE Doug Ashley	West	2029
TE Joel Keen	Mid-America	2029

6. Nominations: National Leadership Team

TE Greg Aydt	Central South	2029
RE Chris Danusiar	Rivers and Lakes	2029
TE Julie Hawkins	Pacific Northwest	2029
RE Joi William	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	2029

7. Nominations: Next Generation Ministries Council

TE Chrishon Ducker	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	2029
TE Dan Kish	Central South	2029

8. Nominations: Permanent Judicial Commission

TE Zach Hopkins	Rivers and Lakes	2029
TE Barton Kimbro	Central South	2029
RE Sean McKee	Great Plains	2029

9. Nominations: Presbytery Review Committee

TE David Horner	Midwest	2029
RE Doris Houck	Florida and the Caribbean	2029
RE Geri McFall	Great Plains	2029
TE Dana Opp	Alleghenies	2029

10. Nominations: Theology Committee

TE Todd Erickson	Central South	2027
TE Ben Ray	Great Plains	2028
RE David Buschart	West	2029
TE Aaron White	Midwest	2029

11. Nominations: World Outreach Committee

Adam Reasner	Midwest	2027
RE David Van Valkenburg	West	2027
TE Ken Ferguson	Pacific Southwest	2029
RE Chris Hallam	Pacific Northwest	2029
April Hubbard	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	2029
RE Cindy Zimmerman	Florida and the Caribbean	2029

b. Recommendation 46-07: That the 46th EPC General Assembly elect the 2026-2027 Chairman for the BRI Board of Directors and the slate of nominees to fill vacancies on the Permanent Nominating Committee (1st Reading).

1. Appointments:2026-2027 Chairman Nominating Committee

TE Mike Goolsby	Great Plains	

2. Nominations: Nominating Committee

TE Bill Crawford	Gulf South	2029
RE Kelli Marks	Rivers and Lakes	2029
TE SJ Winter	Midwest	2029
TE Silver Feliz	Florida and the Caribbean	2029

3. Nominations: 2026-2027 Chairman, BRI Board of Directors

RE Michael Busch	Alleghenies	2029

46-25 STATED CLERK'S REPORT

Stated Clerk TE Dean Weaver (Alleghenies) opened his report with prayer and brought Matters Received.

a. **Recommendation 46-08:** Descending Overture 45-A
   1. Ratifying Amendment to **G** 11-2.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-08 Descending Overture 45-A on amending G 11-2 related to Candidate/Applicant language was adopted.

b. **Recommendation 46-09:** Descending Overture 45-B
   1. Ratifying Amendment to **G** 18-3.E

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-09 Descending Overture 45-B on amending G 18-3 related to Session's immediate jurisdiction over Applicant and Candidate was adopted.

c. **Recommendation 46-10:** Descending Overture 45-C
   1. Ratifying Amendment to **G** 19-4.B

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-10 Descending Overture 45-C on amending G 19-4.B related to clarifying Applicant/Candidate language was adopted.

d. **Recommendation 46-11:** Descending Overture 45-D
    1. Ratifying Amendment to **G** 21-2.D.1

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-11 Descending Overture 45-D on amending G 21-2.D.1 related to Ministerial Committee responsibility for Applicants and Candidates was adopted.

e. Consideration of Rivers and Lakes Rejected Overture in accordance with *Rules for Assembly 7-5*
    1. Revising the Position Paper on the Ordination of Women to include scripture references
    2. An explanation was provided by TE Jeffrey Durham (Rivers and Lakes)

ON MOTION The request for the Assembly to consider the rejected Overture was NOT adopted.
(Needed 2/3 vote to pass) 407 YES, 337 NO, 18 ABSTENTIONS = 762 VOTES (53% YES with 66% needed)

46-26 CHURCH HEALTH TEAM REPORT

TE Marc de Jeu (Alleghenies), National Director of Church Health, opened with prayer and presented the Bart Hess Award to Calvin Presbyterian Church in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania.

46-27 AD-INTERIM COMMITTEE ON ORDINATION STANDARDS (II) PARTIAL REPORT

TE Julie Hawkins (Pacific Northwest) and TE Doug Resler (West) brought the report. Julie opened the report with prayer

a. **Recommendation 46-12:** Proposed Amendment to G 11-2.G.
Recommendation 46-13 noted that the PJC determined Recommendation 46-12 met the standards of clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the EPC.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-12, clarifying ordination criteria, was adopted.

b. **Recommendation 46-14:** Proposed Amendment to the G 11-2.H.
Recommendation 46-15 noted that the PJC determined Recommendation 46-14 met the standards of clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the EPC.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-14, clarifying ordination criteria, was adopted.

c. **Recommendation 46-16:** Proposed Amendment to the G 12-2.
Recommendation 46-17 noted that the PJC determined Recommendation 46-16 met the standards of clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the EPC.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-16, clarifying ordination exam process, was adopted.

d. **Recommendation 46-18:** Proposed Core Curriculum for ordination.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-18, proposing a core curriculum for ordination, was adopted.

e. **Recommendation 46-19:** Proposed sunset provision for CEEP Candidates.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-19, proposing a sunset provision for CEEP Candidates, was adopted.

f. **Recommendation 46-20:** Recommended review of Ministerial Committee job description.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-20, recommending review of the Ministerial Committee job description, was adopted.

g. **Recommendation 46-21:** Adding to Rules for Assembly clarifying language about the role of the Ministerial Vocations Committee.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-21, adding clarifying language to the Rules for Assembly regarding the role of the Ministerial Vocations Committee, was adopted.

h. **Recommendation 46-22:** Study of re-establishing licensure.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-22, proposing a study to consider re-establishing licensure, was adopted.

i. **Recommendation 46-23:** Possible archiving of Acts of Assembly no longer in effect.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-23, considering archiving Acts of Assembly no longer in effect, was adopted.

j. **Recommendation 46-24:** Dismissing the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-24, dismissing with appreciation the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards, was adopted.

46-28 REPORT OF THE REVELATION 7:9 TEAM

TE's Rufus Smith (Central South) and TE Andrew Smith (East) opened with prayer and presented an update on the work of the 7:9 Team.

46-29 REPORT OF THE DISASTER RELIEF COMMITTEE

TE Whitney Alexander (Gulf South) opened with prayer and presented an update on the work of the Disaster Relief Committee.

46-30 GREAT COMMISSION SHARE AND PRAYER

RE Daniel Edwards (Central South) shared regarding the Way City Church plant in Birmingham, Alabama, and recessed the meeting with prayer.

46-31 CONVENING OF BUSINESS

Moderator RE Jack Cathey (Central Carolinas) led in prayer, convening Business Session 3.

46-32 GREAT COMMISSION SHARE AND PRAYER

TE Ro Taylor (Gulf South) shared regarding Restoration Church in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, concluding with prayer.

46-33 INVITATION TO THE 47TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

TE George Robertson (Central South) opened with prayer and extended an invitation for Second Presbyterian Church in Memphis, Tennessee, to host the 47th EPC General Assembly from June 15-17, 2027.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-25, the invitation from the Second Presbyterian Church in Memphis, Tennessee, to host the 47th General Assembly was adopted.

46-34 STATED CLERK'S REPORT

Stated Clerk TE Dean Weaver (Alleghenies) opened with prayer and recognized RE John Adamson (Central South), TE Bill Dudley (Southeast), RE Ron Bengelink (Pacific Northwest), TE Fred Lian (West) for their service to the church and honored the life of TE Scott McKee (Midwest).

New business item brought to the Assembly:

> That the 46th General Assembly DIRECT the Permanent Committee on Fraternal Relations to prepare a report to the 47th General Assembly concerning the Evangelical Presbyterian Church's fraternal relationship with the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church (ARP), including:
>
> 1. A summary of the history of the EPC-ARP fraternal relationship, especially during the preceding decade;
> 2. A record of fraternal delegates exchanged between the EPC and ARP;
> 3. A summary of official and other substantive communications between the EPC and ARP relating to that relationship;
> 4. An analysis of the concerns expressed by the ARP in connection with its June 2026 decision to terminate fraternal relations with the EPC; and
> 5. Any recommendations the Committee may deem appropriate for strengthening the EPC's existing fraternal relationships.

ON MOTION this item was received by the Assembly by 2/3 vote (*Rules for Assembly* 13-3) and referred to the Standing Committee on Fraternal Relations.

46-35 ADJOURNMENT

Moderator RE Jack Cathey (Central Carolinas) closed with prayer. Commissioners were dismissed to their Standing Committee assignments.

46-36 EVENING WORSHIP

ORDER OF WORSHIP
WEDNESDAY EVENING
JUNE 18TH, 2026
7:00 PM

Today's Music		Cherry Creek Choir
	A Mighty Fortress Is Our God	
	Holy Forever	
	Behold How Good	
	Speak O Lord	
	Goodness of God	
Scripture		Ephesians 6:10-20
Sermon	"Not Each Other"	TE Keon Abner (Alleghenies)
Designated Offering for the Medical Benevolence Fund		
Benediction		

THURSDAY

Fourth Session
June 19, 2026

46-37 MORNING WORSHIP – MODERATOR'S COMMUNION SERVICE

Worship began at 8:30 am in the Sanctuary of Cherry Hills Church, Highlands Ranch, Colorado. The court continued in worship as noted below:

ORDER OF WORSHIP
THURSDAY MORNING
JUNE 19, 2026
8:30 AM

Today's Music — Cherry Hills/Cherry Creek Praise Teams

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

Holy, Holy, Holy

Seek the Lord

Speak O Lord

Scripture — Matthew 5-7

Sermon — TE Dave Strunk (Southeast)

The Sacrament of Communion was celebrated with an opportunity for personal prayer led by former Moderators.

Designated Offering for the Medical Benevolence Fund

Benediction — Hebrews 13:20-21

46-38 CALL TO ORDER

The Moderator RE Jack Cathey (Central Carolinas) called the meeting to order at 10:17 a.m.

46-39 GREAT COMMISSION SHARE AND OPENING PRAYER

TE Mainor Arcia (Great Plains) shared about church planting in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and offered prayer to open the Assembly.

46-40 WELCOME FROM CHERRY HILLS

TE Curt Taylor (West) welcomed the Assembly to Cherry Hills for the final day of the 46th EPC General Assembly.

46-41 APPROVAL OF DOCKETS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ON MOTION *Rules for Assembly* 14-4.D suspended for **Recommendations 46-26; 46-27, 46-28; 46-29 and 46-30** with the following time restrictions on our debate, inclusive of all amendments related to the main motion and subsequent debate, was adopted.

1. Up to 45 minutes shall be allotted for debate on each main motion. A simple majority may extend debate by 5 minutes each time, up to a maximum of three times.
2. For the first 30 minutes, each commissioner may speak no longer than 3 minutes.
3. For the final 15 minutes, each commissioner may speak no longer than 2 minutes.
4. During any extended time, each commissioner may speak no longer than 1 minute.

The court was reminded that *Rules for Assembly* 14-4.C has not been suspended, which means that every commissioner may only speak once on the same question, until all desiring to speak have done so.

ON MOTION Docket 4 was amended to consider **Recommendation 46-27** before **Recommendation 46-26.**

ON MOTION The dockets for Sessions 4 & 5 were adopted as amended.

General Assembly Business Session 4

4.1 Business Convenes – Moderator RE Jack Cathey

4.2 Great Commission Share and Opening Prayer – TE Mainor Arcia
Kirk of the Hills, Tulsa, OK

4.3 Welcome from Host Church Pastor – TE Curt Taylor
Cherry Hills Community Church

4.4 Approval of Docket for Sessions 4 & 5 and Announcements – TE Dean Weaver

4.5 Report of the Ad-Interim Committee on SSA and Ordination (I) – TE Cameron Shaffer and RE Carol Williams, Co-Chairs

- **a. Recommendation 46-27**
  - Proposed Amendments to the Pastoral Letter on Human Sexuality
- **b. Recommendation 46-26**
  - Proposed Amendments to the Position Paper on Human Sexuality
- **c. Recommendation 46-28**
  - Proposed Amendment to **G** 9-3
- **d. Recommendation 46-30 & 46-29**
  - Proposed Amendment to **G** 12

** Any recommendations not acted upon from the Ad-Interim Committee on SSA and Ordination Standards by the conclusion of this business session will be resumed at the beginning of Business Session 5.*

4.6 Great Commission Share and Closing Prayer – TE Josh Yates
Vineyard Church, Auburn, AL

General Assembly Business Session 5

5.1 Business Convenes – Moderator RE Jack Cathey

5.2 Great Commission Share and Opening Prayer – TE Joe Mazzela
All Nations Gateway EPC, Tejon Ranch, CA

5.3 Report of the Ad-Interim Committee on SSA and Ordination (II) – TE Cameron Shaffer and RE Carol Williams, Co-Chairs

- **a. Recommendation 46-27**
  - Proposed Amendments to the Pastoral Letter on Human Sexuality
- **b. Recommendation 46-26**
  - Proposed Amendments to the Position Paper on Human Sexuality
- **c. Recommendation 46-28**
  - Proposed Amendment to **G** 9-3
- **d. Recommendation 46-30 & 46-29**
  - Proposed Amendment to **G** 12

5.4 Report of the Church Planting Team – TE Tom Ricks

5.5 Report of the Theology Committee – RE Ken Chang

- **a. Recommendation 46-31a & 46-31b**
  - Recommended Ad-Interim Committee on Digital Discipleship
- **b. Recommendation 46-32**
  - Clarification on status of Position Papers

5.6 Great Commission Share and Closing Prayer – TE Nathan Edwards
Renew EPC, Lee's Summit, MO

46-42 REPORT OF THE AD-INTERIM COMMITTEE ON SAME-SEX ATTRACTION AND ORDINATION STANDARDS (I)

RE Carol Williams (Alleghenies) and TE Cameron Shaffer (East) opened with prayer and proceeded to their report.

a. **Recommendation 46-27:** Amendments to the section "Same-Sex Attraction" in the EPC's Pastoral Letter on Human Sexuality.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-27 was adopted
516 YES, 386 NO, 6 ABSTENTIONS = 908 VOTES

Those adding their name to the record of a negative vote included:

RE William George (Central Carolinas)
TE Tommy Jordan (Southeast)
TE Andrew Vang (West)
RE Kyle Gilbertson (Pacific Northwest)
RE Lonni Gilbertson (Pacific Northwest)
RE Lynn Burdg (Central South)
RE Larry Barton (East)
RE Kevin Feather (East)
RE Alex Dawes (East)
RE Jerad Gooch (West)
TE Dustin DeVriend (Pacific Southwest)
RE Bob Findlay (Pacific Southwest)
TE Cliff Mansley (West)
TE George Yates (Alleghenies)
TE Rob Peterson (Alleghenies)
TE Juan Rivera (Florida and the Caribbean)
TE Carlos Sierra (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Abraham Montes (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Nicholas Smith (Pacific Northwest)
TE John Carpenter (Pacific Northwest)
RE Yvonne Chapman (Central South)
TE Jonathan Robinson (Alleghenies)
TE James Howe (Pacific Northwest)
RE Joshua Shorts (Alleghenies)
RE Tony Gibson (Midwest)
RE Mike Jernigan (Central South)
RE Brad Tedrow (Pacific Northwest)
TE Ryan Doyle (Central South)
RE Vincent Smith (Pacific Northwest)
RE Doug Byrd (Midwest)
RE Clifford Newbury (Central Carolinas)
TE Stephen Morefield (West)
TE David Newsham (West)
RE Ken Bradford (New River)
TE Nick Welch (Pacific Northwest)
RE Paul Harmon (Pacific Northwest)
RE Kent Maddux (West)
RE Randy Pope (West)
RE Linda Marshall (Pacific Southwest)
RE Dan Martell (Pacific Northwest)
RE Jim Lester (Pacific Northwest)
RE Bill MacDonald (Pacific Northwest)
TE Frederick Gernhardt (Florida and the Caribbean)
TE Nate Atwood (Central Carolinas)
TE Paul Bammel (East)
TE C. Brown Caldwell (New River)
TE Tom Clymer (New River)
TE Michael Anderson (West)
RE Steven Hurst (Midwest)
RE John McGowan (Mid America)
RE Carmen Negrón (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Alfredo Aponte (Florida and the Caribbean)
TE Sean White (Southeast)
TE Sean Brubaker (Alleghenies)
RE Carl Sacherich (Alleghenies)
TE Don Fortson (Central Carolinas)
RE Michael King (Central Carolinas)
RE Carlos Rodriguez Torres (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE María Corporán Lopez (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Lucy Concepcion (Florida and the Caribbean)
TE Jeffrey Jeremiah (Pacific Northwest)
TE Fred Hope (Coastal Mid Atlantic)
TE Dana Smith (East)
RE Andrew Shields (New River)
TE David Weber (New River)
TE Peter Larson (Midwest)
RE Mary Campbell (West)
TE Scott Lingle (Great Plains)
TE David Milroy (Alleghenies)
RE Raphael Escabí (Florida and the Caribbean)
TE William Heming (Pacific Northwest)

RE Tony Gibson (Midwest)
RE Mark Fairchild (West)
RE Frank Wedel (West)
RE Jimmie Jackson (Alleghenies)
RE Edward Carlsen Jr. (Alleghenies)
RE Shawn Hill (Alleghenies)
RE Rim Wilkinson (West)
TE Mike McMillan (Pacific Northwest)
TE Jeremy McNiell (West)
TE Jeremy Beck (Central South)
RE Kyle Gilbertson (Pacific Northwest)
TE Matt Young (Pacific Northwest)
TE Adam Snow (New River)
RE Paul Anderson (New River)
RE George "Chris" Eberdt (Gulf South)
RE Gary Buchanan (Southeast)
RE William Smith (Gulf South)
RE Steve Curtis (Coastal Mid-Atlantic)
RE Jon Stacey Miller (Coastal Mid-Atlantic)
TE George Salnave (Rivers and Lakes)
TE Scott Cheatwood (Gulf South)
TE Philip Peat (Pacific Northwest)
RE Steven Wallace (Pacific Northwest)
RE Carol Houston (Pacific Northwest)
TE William Johnson (Southeast)
RE Juanita Seale (Pacific Northwest)
TE Tracy Edwards (Southeast)
RE Russ Matney (New River)
RE Paul Moylan (Mid-America)
RE Rick Ruffing (Central Carolinas)
RE Matt Smeller (Pacific Northwest)
RE Dirk Mroczek (Mid-Atlantic)
RE Mike Heiser (East)
RE Ken Bradford (New River)
TE Grady Davidson (Southeast)
TE Will McCabe (Midwest)
TE Jason Steele (Midwest)
TE Fred Hope (Coastal Mid-Atlantic)
RE Jane Henderson (Pacific Northwest)
RE Charle Dunstan (Central South)
RE Cindy Hunter (Central South)
RE Bob Flores (East)
TE Joshua Hurd (Pacific Northwest)
RE Alex Dawes (East)
TE Tim Foster (Central South)
TE Mark Andrew Jumper (Coastal Mid-Atlantic)
TE Nate Smith (Central South)
RE John Campbell (West)
TE Patrick Cobb (West)

46-43 GREAT COMMISSION SHARE AND PRAYER

TE Josh Yates (Central South) brought an update on the Vineyard Church Auburn, Alabama, and closed with prayer to recess for lunch.

46-44 REPORT OF THE AD-INTERIM COMMITTEE ON SAME-SEX ATTRACTION AND ORDINATION (II)

RE Carol Williams (Alleghenies) and TE Cameron Shaffer (East) opened with prayer and continued their report.

a. **Recommendation 46-26:** Amendments to the EPC's Position Paper on Human Sexuality

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-26 was adopted
579 YES, 312 NO, 4 ABSTENTIONS = 895 VOTES

Those adding their name to the record of a negative vote included:

TE William Heming (Pacific Northwest)
TE James Howe (Pacific Northwest)
TE C. Brown Caldwell (New River)
RE Randy Pope (West)
RE Jerad Gooch (West)
TE Andrew Vang (West)
RE Sean Fetty (West)
TE Adam Snow (New River)
TE Sean White (Southeast)
RE Mark Fairchild (West)
RE Frank Wedel (West)
TE Jonathan Robinson (Alleghenies)
RE Shawn Hill (Alleghenies)
TE John Carpenter (Pacific Northwest)
TE Nick Welch (Pacific Northwest)
TE Mike McMillan (Pacific Northwest)
TE Jeremy McNiell (West)
RE Kyle Gilbertson (Pacific Northwest)
TE Matt Young (Pacific Northwest)
TE George Yates (Alleghenies)
RE Paul Anderson (New River)
RE Paul Moylan (Mid-America)
RE Rick Ruffing (Central Carolinas)
TE Tracy Edwards (Southeast)
RE Juanita Seale (Pacific Northwest)
RE Carol Houston (Pacific Northwest)
TE William Johnson (Southeast)
TE Philip Pent (Pacific Northwest)
RE Steven Wallace (Pacific Northwest)
RE George "Chris" Eberdt (Gulf South)
RE Gary Buchanan (Southeast)
TE Nate Atwood (Central Carolinas)
RE William Smith (Gulf South)
RE Jon Stacey Miller (Coastal Mid-Atlantic)
RE Steve Curtis (Coastal Mid-Atlantic)
RE Kevin Feather (East)
RE Larry Barton (East)
TE Patrick Cobb (West)
RE Scott Wait (Mid-America)
RE Eugene Primm (Mid-America)
TE Adel Thalos (Southeast)
RE Linda Marshall (Pacific Southwest)
RE Paul Harmon (Pacific Northwest)
TE Peter Larson (Midwest)
TE Lawrence Jung (Pacific Northwest)
TE Paul Bammel (East)
TE Juan Rivera (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Abraham Montes (Florida and the Caribbean)

TE Carlos Sierra (Florida and the Caribbean)
TE George Salnave (Rivers and Lakes)
TE Nate Smith (Central South)
TE Mark Jumper (Coastal Mid-Atlantic)
TE Tim Foster (Central South)
TE Don Fortson (Central Carolinas)
RE Alex Dawes (East)
TE Joshua Hurd (Pacific Northwest)
TE Tom Clymer (New River)
RE Bob Flores (East)
RE Alfredo Aponte (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Yvonne Chapman (Central South)
RE Cindy Hunter (Central South)
RE Diane Henderson (Pacific Northwest)
RE Bruce Case (Pacific Northwest)
RE Lynn Burdge (Central South)
RE Charle Dunstan (Central South)
RE Peter Tassi (Midwest)
TE Jason Steele (Midwest)
RE Lucy Concepcion (Florida and the Caribbean)
TE Will McCabe (Midwest)
TE Grady Davidson (Southeast)
TE David Weber (New River)
RE Ken Bradford (New River)
RE Mike Heiser (East)
RE Dirk Mroczek (Mid-Atlantic)
RE Andrew Shields (New River)
TE Ryan Doyle (Central South)
RE Mike Jernigan (Central South)
RE Clay Atkins (New River)
RE Carmen Negron (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Matt Smeller (Pacific Northwest)
RE María Corporán Lopez (Florida and the Caribbean)
TE Tommy Jordan (Southeast)

b. Recommendation 46-28 & 46-29: Amendments to **G** 9-3

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-28 & 46-29 were adopted
572 YES, 275 NO, 8 ABSTENTIONS = 855 VOTES

Those adding their name to the record of a negative vote included:

TE Jeffrey Jeremiah (Pacific Northwest)
RE George “Chris” Eberdt (Gulf South)
TE Nate Atwood (Central Carolinas)
RE William Smith (Gulf South)
TE George Salnave (Rivers and Lakes)
RE Jon Stacey Miller (Coastal Mid-Atlantic)
RE Steve Curtis (Coastal Mid-Atlantic)
TE Don Fortson (Central Carolinas)
RE Peter Tassi (Midwest)
TE Paul Bammel (East)
TE Juan Rivera (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Abraham Montes (Florida and the Caribbean)
TE Carlos Sierra (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Kevin Feather (East)
RE Alex Dawes (East)
RE Alfredo Aponte (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Lucy Concepcion (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Carmen Negron (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Peggy Carlson (Pacific Northwest)
RE Rafael Escabí (Florida and the Caribbean)

RE María Corporán Lopez (Florida and the Caribbean)
TE Jason Steele (Midwest)
TE Will McCabe (Midwest)
RE Eugene Primm (Mid-America)
TE Adel Thalos (Southeast)
TE Patrick Cobb (West)
RE Linda Marshall (Pacific Southwest)
TE Peter Larson (Midwest)
TE Tim Foster (Central South)
TE Tom Clymer (New River)
TE Nate Smith (Central South)
TE Joshua Hurd (Pacific Northwest)
RE Bruce Case (Pacific Northwest)
RE Matt Smeller (Pacific Northwest)
TE Grady Davidson (Southeast)
RE Larry Barton (East)
TE Scott Cheatwood (Gulf South)
TE David Smith (East)
RE Carlos Rodriguez Torres (Florida and the Caribbean)
RE Scott Wait (Mid-America)
TE Adel Thalos (Southeast)
TE Paul Harmon (Pacific Northwest)
TE Tracy Edwards (Southeast)
RE Dirk Mroczek (Coastal Mid-Atlantic)
RE Russel Matney (New River)
TE Lawrence Jung (Pacific Northwest)
RE Steven Wallace (Pacific Northwest)
RE Randy Pope (West)
RE Shawn Hill (Alleghenies)
TE Andrew Vang (West)
TE John Carpenter (Pacific Northwest)
TE Nick Welch (Pacific Northwest)
RE Nicholas Smith (Pacific Northwest)
RE Tim Wilkinson (West)
TE William Heming (Pacific Northwest)
TE Mike McMillan (Pacific Northwest)
TE Jeremy McNeill (West)
TE Jeremy Beck (Central South)
TE C. Brown Caldwell (New River)
RE Kyle Gilbertson (Pacific Northwest)
TE Matt Young (Pacific Northwest)
RE Lonni Gilbertson (Pacific Northwest)
RE Paul Moylan (Mid-America)
TE Adam Snow (New River)
RE Tony Gibson (Midwest)
TE Bryan Rhodes (Gulf South)
TE Dustin DeVriend (Pacific Southwest)
TE Tommy Jordan (Southeast)

c. **Recommendation 46-30:** Amendments to the **G** 12-2B, 12-3A, 12-3B, & 12-6 to add requirements to examine nominees to all EPC offices in the area of Christian character

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-30 was adopted

Notice of a properly filed FORM 19 - "Dissent." Those adding their name to the record of a negative vote included:

TE Tommy Jordan (Southeast)

d. **Recommendation 46-72:** that the vote on **Recommendation 46-**28 answer **Recommendations 46-29, 46-40, 46-41, 46-42, 46-43, 46-44, 46-45, 46-46, 46-47, 46-48,** and **46-49**

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-72 was adopted.

46-45 REPORT OF THE CHURCH PLANTING TEAM

TE Tom Ricks (Mid-America) opened with prayer. TE Joe Mazzela (Pacific Southwest) brought an update on church planting in Tejon Ranch, California, and closed with prayer.

46-46 REPORT OF THE THEOLOGY COMMITTEE

RE Ken Chang (West) opened with prayer and introduced committee member RE Holly Lazzaro (East), who spoke regarding **Recommendation 46-31a.**

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-31a to create a Moderator-appointed Ad-Interim Committee to write a position paper on Digital Discipleship and Ethical Engagement in a Technological age was adopted.

RE Ken Chang spoke regarding **Recommendation 46-31b.**

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-31b to task the Ad-Interim Committee to explore the formation of a Permanent Committee on Digital Discipleship was adopted.

a. **Recommendation 46-32:** The Standing Committee on Theology recommended that the assembly answer in the negative the overture from the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest to reaffirm the Position Paper on Homosexuality and the Position Paper on the Sanctity of Marriage as the position of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church and restore to the EPC website.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-32 was adopted.

Those adding their name to the record of a negative vote included:

TE Paul Bammel (East)
TE William Heming (Pacific Northwest)
TE Mike McMillan (Pacific Northwest)
TE David Weber (New River)
TE Fred Hope (Coastal Mid-Atlantic)
TE Dana Smith (East)
TE Don Fortson (Central Carolinas)
TE Peter Larson (Midwest)
RE Larry Barton (East)
TE David Pleuss (Rivers and Lakes)
TE Mark Jumper (Coastal Mid-Atlantic)
TE Tommy Jordan (Southeast)

46-47 GREAT COMMISSION SHARE AND PRAYER

TE Andy Cornett (Central Carolinas) prayed and shared regarding Trinity Forest, Lake Forest Family of Churches' new church plant in Concord, North Carolina.

ON MOTION *Rules for Assembly* 9-6 was suspended until the adjournment of Business Session 6.

ON MOTION the following **Recommendations** were adopted *en grosse:*

a. **Recommendation 46-06:** 2026-2027 Nominating Committee
b. **Recommendation 46-07:** Communication from the Moderator of the 45th General Assembly
c. **Recommendation 46-33:** Fraternal Relationship with Synod of the Nile
d. **Recommendation 46-34:** Approve retired ministers drawing from their EPC 403(b)(9) account to designate up to 100% for housing allowance.
e. **Recommendation 46-38 & 46-39:** Amendment to **G** 9-5.D and subsequent PJC Report
f. **Recommendation 46-50 & 46-51:** Adjustment to the boundaries of the Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean and subsequent PJC Report
g. **Recommendation 46-52 & 46-53:** Amendment to **G** 5-10 and subsequent PJC Report
h. **Recommendation 46-54 & 46-55:** Amendment to **G** 19-3 and subsequent PJC Report
i. **Recommendation 46-58:** Special Projects Budget
j. **Recommendation 46-66:** Minutes of Presbyteries with Exceptions Requiring Responses
k. **Recommendation 46-67:** Responses of Presbyteries from Exceptions noted by the 45th General Assembly
l. **Recommendation 46-68:** Sustain the ruling of the PJC in the matter of New Albany v. Presbytery of the Alleghenies
m. **Recommendation 46-69:** Sustain the ruling of the PJC in the matter of McClelland v. Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

46-48 APPROVAL OF THE DOCKET AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ON MOTION the Docket (as amended by the *en grosse* motion) for Business Session 6 was adopted as follows:

6.1 Business Convenes – Moderator RE Jack Cathey
6.2 Great Commission Share and Opening Prayer – TE Andy Cornett

Trinity Forest, Lake Forest Family of Churches, Concord, NC

6.3 Approval of the Docket and Announcements – TE Dean Weaver

6.4 Report of the Effective Biblical Leadership Team – TE Annie Rose, National Director of Ministerial Health

6.5 Report from the Fraternal Relations Committee – TE Rick Dietzman

- **a. Recommendation 46-33:** Formal Relationship with Synod of the Nile

6.6 Report from Benefits Resource, Inc. – TE Brandon Jolley

6.7 Report from the Ministerial Vocation Committee – TE Andrew Winter

- **a. Recommendation 46-36 & 46-37:** Amendment to **G** 12-2.C

6.8 Report from the Chaplains' Work and Care Committee – TE Mark Ingles

6.9 Report from the Overtures and Resolutions Committee – TE Ken Van Kampen

6.10 Report from the World Outreach Committee – TE Michael Herrin

- a. Greg Livingstone Award

6.11 Report from the Administration Committee – TE Mark Toone

- **a. Recommendation 46-57:** Approval of the Administrative Budget
- **b. Recommendations 46-60, 46-61, & 46-62:** Proposed Amendments to the Book of Discipline
  - (1) Report from the Task Force on the Book of Discipline – TE Ed McCallum

6.12 Nominating Committee (III) Final Report – TE Mike Goolsby

6.13 Report from the Permanent Judicial Commission – RE Forrest Norman

6.14 Report from the Presbytery Review Committee – RE Ron Bengelink

6.15 Report from the Memorials and Appreciations Committee – TE Tim MacGowan

6.16 Omnibus Motion

- **a. Recommendation 46-70**
- **b. Recommendation 46-35**
- **c. Recommendation 46-56**
- **d. Recommendation 46-59**
- **e. Recommendation 46-63**
- **f. Recommendation 46-64**
- **g. Recommendation 46-65**
- **h.** Permanent Committee Minutes (CWCC, MVC, NLT, DRC, FRC, NGC, WOC)
- **i.** Reports Received on **Recommendations 45-35 & 45-36**

6.17 Closing Remarks and Prayer – RE Jack Cathey
Moderator of the 46th General Assembly

6.18 Adjournment – Moderator RE Jack Cathey

46-49 REPORT OF THE EFFECTIVE BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP TEAM

TE Annie Rose (Rivers and Lakes) opened with prayer and updated the Assembly on the work of the committee. "Better Together" RE and TE cohort opportunity was shared.

46-50 REPORT OF THE FRATERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

TE Tom Kietzman (Pacific Northwest) opened with prayer. TE Douglas Kortyna (Pacific Northwest) spoke regarding the new fraternal relationship with the Synod of the Nile (Egypt).

General Secretary of the Synod of the Nile Rev. Dr. Refat Fathy addressed the Assembly, and TE Dean Weaver (Alleghenies) offered a prayer of blessing over our Fraternal Partners.

a. **Recommendation 46-71:** The Standing Committee on Fraternal Relations recommends that the Fraternal Relations Permanent Committee report on any recent communications from the Associate Reformed Church (ARP) to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC) and report its findings to the 47th General Assembly.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-71 was adopted.

46-51 REPORT OF THE BENEFITS RESOURCE, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RE Brandon Jolley (Midwest) shared an update regarding the financial challenges experienced by the "EPC Medical Plan" during 2025. A significant threat to the EPC plan is the lack of participation by our member churches. An appeal was made to all EPC churches to join in the EPC plan.

46-52 REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL VOCATION COMMITTEE

TE Andrew Winter (Midwest) opened with prayer and shared regarding recommendations coming from the committee.

a. **Recommendations 46-36 & 46-37:** Proposed Amendment to G 12-2.C

BY CONSENSUS Recommendations 46-36 & 46-37 were declared answered by **Recommendation 46-16.**

46-53 REPORT OF THE CHAPLAINS' WORK AND CARE COMMITTEE

TE Mark Ingles (West), Chaplain Endorser of the EPC, opened with prayer and introduced EPC chaplains and their important work. A partnership with the Tyson Foods Chaplain program was also highlighted. TE Michael Davis (Central South) offered prayer for our Chaplains.

46-54 REPORT OF THE OVERTURES AND RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

No report given as all items were covered in the *en grosse* motion.

46-55 REPORT OF THE WORLD OUTREACH COMMITTEE

TE Michael Herrin (Southeast) opened with prayer and introduced RE Gabriel de Guia (Florida and the Caribbean) to share an update on the work of World Outreach. The Greg Livingston Award was presented to Gateway EPC Church.

46-56 REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION

TE Mark Toone (Pacific Northwest) opened with prayer and presented the committee's recommendations.

a. **Recommendation 46-57:** Approval of the Administrative Budget

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-57

TE Ed McCallum (West) provided background information on the recommendations coming from the Book of Discipline Task Force.

a. **Recommendation 46-60:** Proposed Amendment to the *Book of Discipline*

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-60 was adopted.

a. **Recommendation 46-61:** Approval of the report of the Permanent Judicial Commission on the amendments to the *Book of Discipline*.

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-61 was adopted.

a. **Recommendation 46-62:** That judicial procedures underway when the revised *Book of Discipline* is ratified continue under the current *Book of Discipline* (2026)

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-61 was adopted.

46-57 REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

No report given as all items were covered in the *en grosse* motion.

46-58 REPORT OF THE PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION

RE Forrest Norman (Alleghenies) opened the report with prayer and shared the work of the PJC.

46-59 REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY REVIEW COMMITTEE

RE Ron Bengelink (Pacific Northwest) opened with prayer and shared the work of the committee.

46-60 REPORT OF THE MEMORIALS AND APPRECIATIONS COMMITTEE

TE Tim MacGowan (East) opened with prayer and led the Assembly in expressing appreciation to the Cherry Creek and Cherry Hills Volunteers. It was noted that memorials will be celebrated as part of the evening worship service.

46-61 OMNIBUS MOTION

Stated Clerk TE Dean Weaver (Alleghenies) brought the omnibus motion and shared closing remarks.

a. **Recommendation 46-70:** Omnibus Motion

- **Recommendation 46-35:** Endorsement Policy superseding *Acts of Assembly* 20-10
- **Recommendation 46-56:** Increase the size of the World Outreach Committee from 6 to 9
- **Recommendation 46-59:** Data Management System
- **Recommendation 46-63:** General Assembly admission fees for non-voting spouses and an overview of each future General Assembly
- **Recommendation 46-64:** Current state of the preservation, cataloguing, and accessibility of the historical records of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church
- **Recommendation 46-65:** 46th General Assembly Minutes
- Permanent Committee Minutes (CWCC, MVC, NLT, DRC, FRC, NGC, WOC)
- Reports received on **Recommendation 45-35** instructing the OGA to digitize the Minutes of the EPC's first 26 General Assemblies; **Recommendation 45-36** requesting OGA to explore the feasibility of digital voting at future Assemblies

ON MOTION Recommendation 46-70 was adopted.

46-62 GREAT COMMISSION SHARE AND PRAYER

RE Jack Cathey (Central Carolinas) adjourned the meeting with prayer.

46-63 CLOSING WORSHIP

ORDER OF WORSHIP
THURSDAY EVENING
JUNE 19TH, 2026

Today's Music — Cherry Creek and Cherry Hills Praise Teams

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

O Praise Him

King of Kings

Speak O God

Memorials reviewed during the playing of "For All the Saints."

Scripture — Mark 2:1-12

Sermon — "When Jesus is in the House" — TE Brad Strait (West)

Benediction

SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

(Communications, Overtures, and Recommendations)

46-01	The 46th General Assembly ELECTS RE Jack Cathey as Moderator of the 46th General Assembly
46-02	The 46th General Assembly ELECTS TE Joshua Brown as Moderator-Elect of the 46th General Assembly
46-03	The 46th General Assembly EXTENDS the Ad-Interim Committee on Disability and the Sacraments for 1 year for work on the Pastoral Letter
46-04	The 46th General Assembly ENCOURAGES Presbyteries to invite representatives from the Ad-Interim Committee on Disability and the Sacraments to present the proposed Pastoral Letter draft for discussion and receive feedback.
46-05	The 46th General Assembly EXPANDS the work of the Ad-Interim Committee on Disability and the Sacraments to include the creation of a Position Paper and expand the number of committee members from 9 to 12
46-06	The 46th General Assembly RATIFIES Descending Overture 45-A and AMENDS *Book of Government* 11-2 related to Candidate/Applicant language
46-07	The 46th General Assembly RATIFIES Descending Overture 45-B and AMENDS *Book of Government* 18-3 related to Session's immediate jurisdiction over Applicant and Candidate
46-08	The 46th General Assembly RATIFIES Descending Overture 45-C and AMENDS *Book of Government* 19-4.B related to clarifying Applicant/Candidate language
46-09	The 46th General Assembly RATIFIES Descending Overture 45-D and AMENDS *Book of Government* 21-2.D.1 related to Ministerial Committee responsibility for Applicants and Candidates
46-10	The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 11-2.G to clarify ordination criteria
46-11	The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 11-2.H to clarify ordination criteria
46-12	The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 12-2 to clarify the ordination exam process
46-13	The 46th General Assembly ADOPTS a Core Curriculum for ordination
46-14	The 46th General Assembly ADOPTS a sunset provision for CEEP Candidates

46-15 The 46th General Assembly ADOPTS a review of the Ministerial Committee job description

46-16 The 46th General Assembly ADDS to *Rules for Assembly* to clarify language about the role of the Ministerial Vocations Committee

46-17 The 46th General Assembly PROPOSES a study to consider re-establishing licensure

46-18 The 46th General Assembly CONSIDERS archiving *Acts of Assembly* no longer in effect

46-19 The 46th General Assembly DISMISSES the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards with appreciation

46-20 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS the section "Same-Sex Attraction" in the EPC's Pastoral Letter on Human Sexuality

46-21 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS the EPC's Position Paper on Human Sexuality

46-22 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 9-3

46-23 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 12-2B, 12-3A, 12-3B, & 12-6 to add requirements to examine nominees to all EPC offices in the area of Christian character

46-24 The 46th General Assembly CREATES a Moderator-appointed Ad-Interim Committee to write a position paper on Digital Discipleship and Ethical Engagement in a Technological Age

46-25 The 46th General Assembly ASKS the Ad-Interim Committee for the Position Paper on Digital Discipleship and Ethical Engagement in a Technological Age to explore the formation of a Permanent Committee

46-26 The 46th General Assembly ANSWERS IN THE NEGATIVE the overture from the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest to affirm the Position Paper on Homosexuality and the Position Paper on the Sanctity of Marriage as the positions of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

46-27 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the 2026-2027 Chairman for the BRI Board of Directors, the slate of nominees to fill vacancies of the Permanent Nominating Committee, and the chair of the Nominating Committee

46-28 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES entering a formal Fraternal Relationship with the Synod of the Nile

46-34 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES retired ministers drawing from their EPC 403(b)(9) account to designate up to 100% for housing allowance

46-35 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 9-5.D and RECEIVES the subsequent PJC report

46-36 The 46th General Assembly ADJUSTS the boundaries of the Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean to include Spain and RECEIVES the subsequent PJC report

46-37 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 5-10 and RECEIVES the subsequent PJC report

46-38 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 19-3 and RECEIVES the subsequent PJC report

46-39 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the FY27 Special Projects Budget

46-40 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the Minutes of the Presbyteries with Exceptions Requiring Responses

46-41 The 46th General Assembly RECOGNIZES the approval of the responses from the Presbyteries to those exceptions sent to them by the 45th General Assembly

46-42 The 46th General Assembly SUSTAINS the ruling of the PJC in the matter of New Albany v. Presbytery of the Alleghenies

46-43 The 46th General Assembly SUSTAINS the ruling of the PJC in the matter of McClelland v. Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

46-44 The 46th General Assembly RECOMMENDS that the Fraternal Relations Permanent Committee report on any recent communications from the Associate Reformed Church (ARP) to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC) and report its findings to the 47th General Assembly

46-45 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the FY27 Administrative Budget

46-46 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS the *Book of Discipline* and APPROVES the report of the PJC on the amendments to the *Book of Discipline*

46-47 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES all ecclesiastical judicial procedures in process on the date the revised *Book of Discipline* is ratified to be processed under the provisions of the current (2026) *Book of Discipline*

46-48 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES a new Endorsement Policy superseding *Acts of Assembly* 20-10

46-49 The 46th General Assembly INCREASES the size of the World Outreach Committee from 6 to 9 members

46-50 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the purchase of a new Data Management System "Site Stacker" for the General Assembly to be made available to all the courts of the church

46-51 The 46th General Assembly REFERS the matter of General Assembly admission fees for non-voting spouses to the National Leadership Team

46-52 The 46th General Assembly DIRECTS the National Leadership Team to study the current state of the preservation, cataloging, and accessibility of the historical records of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

46-53 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the Minutes of the 45th General Assembly

46-54 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the Minutes of the Permanent Committee dated August 12-14, 2025, October 9, 2025, January 13-14, 2026, April 8, 2026, and May 12, 2026 with minor notations

46-55 The 46th General Assembly RECEIVES the reports on Recommendation 45-35 instructing the Office of the General Assembly to digitize the Minutes of the first 26 General Assemblies of the EPC and Recommendation 45-36 requesting the Office of the General Assembly to explore the feasibility of digital voting at future Assemblies

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
Disaster Relief Committee

Standing Committee Report

46th General Assembly

The Standing Committee on Disaster Relief Committee convened at **3:30p.m**. on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, and met **once**. Chairman **TE Helen Fransell** opened the meeting with prayer, **TE Jeff Moore** served as a Recording Clerk for the committee.

A. Business Referred to Committee:

1. **Minutes** of the Permanent Committee

B. Recommendations:

That the **Minutes** of the Permanent Committee dated July 10, 2025, September 18, 2025, November 6, 2025, January 6, 2026, January 7, 2026, **be approved with minor notations.**

C. Additional Recommendation from the Standing Committee:

1. Per *Rules for Assembly* 9-6, the Committee voted to place the following eligible recommendation(s) on an omnibus consent motion:

[NOTE: a recommendation amended by the Standing Committee, substitute recommendation or additional recommendation in C.2 are not eligible for the omnibus consent motion.]

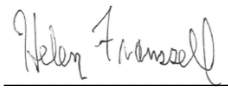
Disaster Relief Permanent Committee Minutes

The Standing Committee commends the members of the Permanent Committee on Disaster Relief for their good work during the past year.

TE Helen Franssell closed the meeting with prayer.

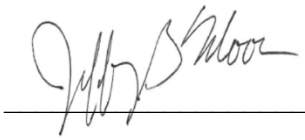
Signature Page for Standing Committee on Disaster Relief Report

Respectfully submitted,



_____, Chairman

TE Helen Fransell



_____, Clerk

TE Jeff Moore

Committee on Fraternal Relations

Standing Committee Report

46th General Assembly

The Standing Committee on Fraternal Relations convened at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, and met once. Chairman **TE Rick Dietzman** opened the meeting with prayer. **TE Stan Van Den Berg** served as Recording Clerk for the committee.

A. Business Referred to Committee:

1. **Recommendation GA46-33**

2. **Minutes** of the Permanent Committee

B. Recommendations:

1. **Recommendation GA46-33**:

   The Fraternal Relations Committee recommends that the 46th General Assembly **approve** entering into a formal Fraternal Relationship with Synod of the Nile, **be approved**.

2. That the **Minutes** of the Permanent Committee dated September 23, 2025, January 23, 2026, May 4, 2026, to **be approved with minor notations.**

C. Additional Recommendations from the Standing Committee:

1. Per *Rules for Assembly* 9-6, the Committee voted to place the following eligible recommendations(s) on an omnibus consent motion:

[NOTE: a recommendation amended by the Standing Committee, substitute recommendation or additional recommendation in C.2 are not eligible for the omnibus consent motion.]

   Minutes of the Permanent Committee

2. *(Enter any other recommendations here.)*

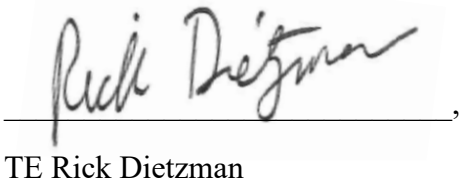
   GA46-71 The Standing Committee on Fraternal Relations moves that the Fraternal Relations permanent committee report on any recent communications from the Associate Reformed Church, (ARP) to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC) and report its findings to the 47th General Assembly.

The Standing Committee commends the members of the Permanent Committee on Fraternal Relations for their good work during the past year.

TE Douglas Kortyna closed the meeting with prayer.

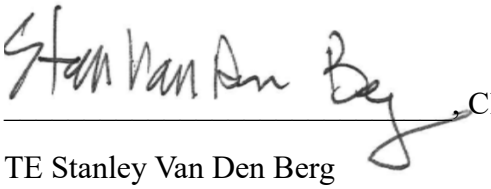
Signature Page for Standing Committee on Fraternal Relations Report

Respectfully submitted



_____, Chairman

TE Rick Dietzman



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TE Stanley Van Den Berg

Next Generation Council

Standing Committee Report

46th General Assembly

The Standing Committee on Next Generation Council convened at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, and met once. Chairman **TE David Constance** opened the meeting with prayer. **TE Jeremy Collins** served as a Recording Clerk for the committee.

A. Business Referred to Committee:

1. **Minutes** of the Permanent Committee

B. Recommendations:

1. That the **Minutes** of the Permanent Committee dated October 10, 2025, February 12, 2026, and April 23, 2026, **approved with minor notations**.

C. Additional Recommendation from the Standing Committee:

1. Per *Rules for Assembly* 9-6, the Committee voted to place the following eligible recommendation(s) on an omnibus consent motion:

   [NOTE: a recommendation amended by the Standing Committee, substitute recommendation or additional recommendation in C.2 are not eligible for the omnibus consent motion.]

Next Gen Permanent Committee Minutes

The Standing Committee commends the members of the Permanent Committee on Next Generation Council for their good work during the past year.

TE David Constance closed the meeting with prayer.

Signature Page for Standing Committee on Next Generation Report

Respectfully submitted,

_____, Chairman

TE David Constance

_____, Clerk

TE Jeremy Collins

Committee on Theology

Standing Committee Report

46th General Assembly

The Standing Committee on Theology convened at **3:30 p.m.** on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, and met **once**. Chairman **RE Ken Chang** *opened* the meeting with prayer. **TE Mike Wright** served as Recording Clerk for the committee.

A. Business Referred to Committee:

1. **Recommendation GA46-31**
2. **Recommendation GA46-32**
3. **Minutes** of the Permanent Committee

B. Recommendations:

1. **Recommendation GA46-31 (Divided):** The Standing Committee on Theology recommends that the 46th General Assembly **approve**
    a. The formation of an Ad-Interim Committee to draft a position paper on Digital Discipleship and Ethical Engagement in a Technological Age **be adopted.**
    b. And explore the formation of a permanent committee on Digital Discipleship and Ethical Engagement in a Technological Age **be adopted.**
2. **Recommendation GA46-31:** The Pacific Northwest Presbytery respectfully OVERTURES the 46th General Assembly to approve to re-affirm the position paper on Homosexuality and the Position Paper on the Sanctity of Marriage as the position of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church and restore to the EPC website **not be adopted.**
3. That the **Minutes** of the Permanent Committee dated November 04, 2025, January 14, 2026, February 11, 2026, March 11, 2026, and April 8, 2026, to **be approved with minor notations.**

C. Additional Recommendations from the Standing Committee:

1. Per *Rules for Assembly* 9-6, the Committee voted to place the following eligible recommendation(s) on an omnibus consent motion:

    [NOTE: a recommendation amended by the Standing Committee, substitute recommendation or additional recommendation in C.2 are not eligible for the omnibus consent motion.]

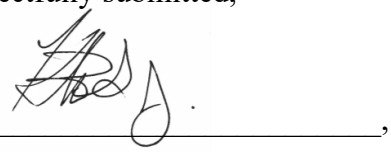
Theology Permanent Committee Minutes

The Standing Committee commends the members of the Permanent Committee on Theology for their good work during the past year.

TE Mike Wright closed the meeting with prayer.

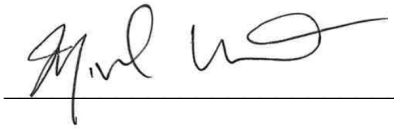
Signature Page for Standing Committee on Theology Report

Respectfully submitted,



_____, Chairman

RE Ken Chang



_____, Clerk

TE Mike Wright

Committee on Memorials & Appreciation

Standing Committee
46th General Assembly

The Standing Committee on Memorials and Appreciation convened at **3:30p.m.** on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, and met **once**. Chairman **TE Tim MacGowan** opened the meeting with prayer. **RE Brenda Henesey** served as Recording Clerk for the committee.

A. **Memorials**

The 46th General Assembly remembers with gratitude those Ministers and Ruling Elders who died during this and last Assembly year. (If notification of death is received subsequent to the current Assembly year, the names of those elders are listed as they are received.)

Name	Church	Date of Death	Years of Service
RE Ethel Anderson	Warsaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church	09/29/2025	6
RE Alan Barker	Central Presbyterian Church	12/05/2025	18
RE LaVerne Bartges	Shiloh Presbyterian Church	04/23/2026	42
RE Frederic Ted Beattie	Central Presbyterian Church	12/02/2025	12
RE Henry Beck	Faith Presbyterian Church	10/14/2025	25
RE Franklin Blackstone	First Presbyterian Church of Bakerstown	10/11/2025	6
RE Graham Boyd	Covenant Presbyterian Church	04/20/2026	54
RE Edward Davis	Grace Community Church	02/05/2026	6
RE Pamela DeMeester	Grace Point	10/09/2025	6
RE Jerry Detwiler	Cherry Creek Presbyterian	05/11/2026	2
RE Don Evans	Fourth Presbyterian	03/28/2026	6
RE Dorothy Franzen	Faith Presbyterian	07/02/2025	46
RE Sue Smith Hartley	First Rome	01/12/2025	3
RE John Henning	Cornerstone EPC	04/11/2026	18

RE Bob Huebner	Faith Presbyterian	06/23/2025	39
RE Linda Hull	Cornerstone EPC	03/03/2026	6
RE Curt Jones	Little Britain Presbyterian Church	08/19/2025	52
TE Thomas Johnson	Jesus Reigns	11/30/2025	5
RE John Johnson	Stuart Presbyterian Church	08/16/2025	15
RE John MacDonald	Ward Church	09/28/2025	37
TE Scott McKee	Ward Church	03/27/2026	17
RE Ron Sisk	Overbrook Presbyterian	01/30/2026	2
RE Douglas Nyhus	Fourth Presbyterian	11/24/2025	12
RE Dave Rilling	Overbrook Presbyterian	03/14/2026	20
RE Robert Rosenquist	New Hope Presbyterian Church	08/13/2025	4
RE Jesse Sandor	Round Hill Presbyterian Church	11/13/2025	22
RE Tom Sawyer	First Presbyterian Church	07/20/2025	12
RE Dr. Bernard Shipp	First Presbyterian Church	07/27/2026	30
TE Michael Smith	Common Grace	03/30/2026	4
TE Robert Sparr	Graystone Church	07/06/2025	18
RE Norman David Strong	Graystone Church	10/18/2025	4
RE Jerry Swanson	Faith Presbyterian	12/08/2025	46
RE Wayne Traylor	Westminster Presbyterian	05/03/2026	40
TE Terry Tyler	Grace Point EPC	12/05/2025	27
RE John Utz	First Presbyterian Church of Bakerstown	08/26/2025	9
RE Joe Van	First Presbyterian	02/03/2025	15

B. Appreciation

The Assembly expresses its heartfelt appreciation to Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church, Englewood, CO, its senior pastor Brad Strait, the staff, and the many volunteers who had a part in welcoming us to this Assembly. The Assembly would also like to express its heartfelt appreciation to Cherry Hills Community Church, Highlands Ranch, CO, its senior pastor Curt Taylor, the staff, and the many volunteers who had a part in welcoming us to this Assembly.

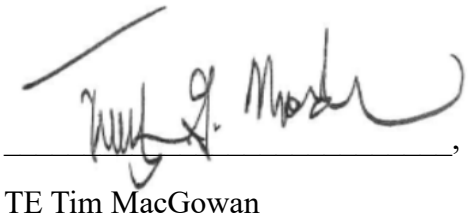
We express our gratitude to the fine Gospel Priorities and Equipping Session instructors.

We thank the outgoing moderator, Teaching Elder Dave Strunk for his service this last year, and we thank incoming moderator, Ruling Elder, Jack Cathey. We also express our gratitude to the Stated Clerk Reverend Dr. Dean Weaver, and the General Assembly staff in Orlando for their year of service.

TE Richard Evans closed the meeting with prayer.

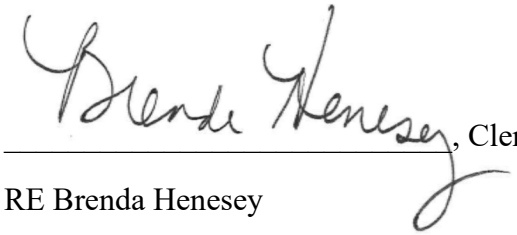
Signature Page for Standing Committee on Memorials and Appreciation Report

Respectfully submitted,



_____, Chair

TE Tim MacGowan



_____, Clerk

RE Brenda Henesey

Committee on Ministerial Vocation

Standing Committee Report
46th General Assembly

The Standing Committee on Ministerial Vocation met twice, the first meeting convened by Zoom at 7:00 pm on Monday, June 8, 2026. The second meeting convened in person at 3:40 p.m. on Wednesday, June 17, 2026. Chairman **TE Andrew Winter** opened the meeting with prayer. **TE Vince Latz** served as Recording Clerk for the committee.

A. Business Referred to Committee:

1. **Recommendation GA46-35**
2. **Recommendation GA46-36**
3. **Recommendation GA46-37**
4. **Recommendation GA46-38**
5. **Recommendation GA46-39**
6. **Recommendation GA46-40**
7. **Recommendation GA46-41**
8. **Recommendation GA46-42**
9. **Recommendation GA46-43**
10. **Recommendation GA46-44**
11. **Recommendation GA46-45**
12. **Recommendation GA46-46**
13. **Recommendation GA46-47**
14. **Recommendation GA46-48**
15. **Recommendation GA46-4**
16. **Minutes** of the MVC Permanent Committee
17. **Minutes** of the Chaplains' Work and Care Committee

B. Recommendations

1. **Recommendation GA46-35:** The Ministerial Vocation Committee recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve the following Endorsement Policy to supersede the *Acts of Assembly* 20-10, **be approved as submitted.**
2. **Recommendation GA46-36:** The Florida and the Caribbean respectfully overture the 46th General Assembly to amend the *Book of Government* 12-2.C, **answered by 46-37**.
3. **Recommendation GA46-37:** The Permanent Judicial Commission recommends that the General Assembly answer the Florida and the Caribbean 12-2 Overture (46-36) with reference to the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards, which, among other things, has also proposed to amend Section G. 12-2.C, **be approved as submitted.**
4. **Recommendation GA46-38:** The Rivers and Lakes Presbytery respectfully OVERTURES the 46th General Assembly to APPROVE the proposed amendments to the Book of Government 9-5, **be approved as submitted.**
5. **Recommendation GA46-39:** The Permanent Judicial Commission recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE Recommendation 46-38, River and Lakes Presbytery G. 9-5 Overture, **answered by 46-38**
6. **Recommendation GA46-40:** The Permanent Judicial Commission's report and recommendation that the 46th General Assembly considers it in deciding whether to

accept or decline Recommendation 46-41, Pacific Northwest Presbytery G. 9-3A Overture, **be answered by 46-41**

7. **Recommendation GA46-41:** The Pacific Northwest Presbytery respectfully OVERTURES the 46th General Assembly to amend the Book of Government 9-3A, **not be adopted.**

   The Ministerial Vocation Standing Committee recommends that Recommendation 41 **not be adopted**. While a number of arguments were made by members of the committee towards this end, this report will highlight one of the most significant. In short, we recommend that the General Assembly not adopt Recommendation 41 **because the proposed overture contradicts the system of doctrine contained in the Westminster Standards**. The overture requires that officers not "persist in…unnatural desires". In finding that the overture was consistent with the confession, dissenting members of the Permanent Judicial Commission argued that "a mature Christian who has experienced sufficient progressive sanctification is no longer plagued by persistent longings to sin." In contradiction to these statements, our Standards state that "during life on earth this corrupt nature remains in those who are regenerated" (WCF 6.5) and that "[b]elievers are not completely or perfectly sanctified because they retain some remnants of sin throughout their whole being and are continually plagued with desires of their old sinful nature" (WLC 78). The committee thus concurs with the Permanent Judicial Commission in finding that the proposed amendment contradicts the Westminster Standards, and we urge the Assembly to reject it.

8. **Recommendation GA46-42:** The Permanent Judicial Commission's report and recommendation that the 46th General Assembly considers it in deciding whether to accept or decline Recommendation 46-43, Central Carolinas Presbytery G. 9-3A Overture, **answered by 46-41**
9. **Recommendation GA46-43:** The Central Carolinas Presbytery respectfully OVERTURES the 46th General Assembly to amend the Book of Government 9-3A, **answered by 46-41**
10. **Recommendation GA46-44:** The Permanent Judicial Commission's report and recommendation that the 46th General Assembly considers it in deciding whether to accept or decline Recommendation 46-45, Florida and the Caribbean Presbytery G. 9-3A Overture, **answered by 46-41**
11. **Recommendation GA46-45:** The Florida and the Caribbean Presbytery respectfully OVERTURES the 46th General Assembly to amend the Book of Government 9-3A, **answered by 46-41**
12. **Recommendation GA46-46:** The Permanent Judicial Commission's report and recommendation that the 46th General Assembly considers it in deciding whether to accept or decline Recommendation 46-47, New River Presbytery G. 9-3A Overture, **answered by 46-41**
13. **Recommendation GA46-47:** The New River Presbytery respectfully OVERTURES the 46th General Assembly to amend the Book of Government 9-3A, **answered by 46-41**

14. **Recommendation GA46-48:** The Permanent Judicial Commission's report and recommendation that the 46th General Assembly considers it in deciding whether to accept or decline Recommendation 46-49, West Presbytery G. 9-3A Overture, **answered by 46-41**
15. **Recommendation GA46-49:** The West Presbytery respectfully OVERTURES the 46th General Assembly to amend the Book of Government 9-3A, **answered by 46-41**
16. That the **Minutes** of the **MVC** Permanent Committee dated July 16, 2025, September 16-18, 2025, December 11, 2025, December 15, 2025, March 3-5, 2026, and April 13, 2026, be **approved with minor notations.**
17. That the **Minutes** of the **Chaplains Work and Care Committee** dated October 12-13, 2025, March 02-03, 2026, and March 6, 2026, be **approved with minor notations.**

C. Additional Recommendations from the Standing Committee:

1. Per *Rules for Assembly* 9-6, the Committee voted to place the following eligible recommendation(s) on an omnibus consent motion:

[NOTE: a recommendation amended by the Standing Committee, substitute recommendation or additional recommendation in C.2 are not eligible for the omnibus consent motion.]

Recommendation 46-35

Minutes of the Permanent Committees (MVC & CWCC)

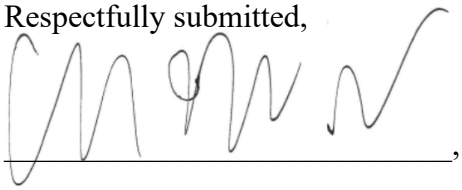
4. *(Enter any other recommendations here)*

The Standing Committee commends the members of the Permanent Committee on Ministerial Vocation and Chaplains Work and Care for their good work during the past year.

TE Andrew Winter closed the meeting with prayer.

Signature Page for Standing Committee Ministerial Vocation Report

Respectfully submitted,



_____, Chairman

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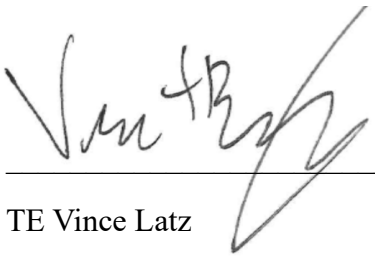

_____, Clerk

TE Vince Latz

Committee on Administration

Standing Committee Report
46th General Assembly

The Standing Committee on Administration met twice, convened by Zoom at **7:00 p.m.** on Wednesday, June 10, 2026 & in person at **3:30 p.m.** on Wednesday, June 17, 2026. Chairman **TE Mark Toone** opened the meeting with prayer. **TE Eric Phillips** served as Recording Clerk for the committee.

A. Business Referred to Committee:

1. Recommendation GA46-57

2. Recommendation GA46-58

3. Recommendation GA46-59

4. Recommendation GA46-60

5. Recommendation GA46-61

6. Recommendation GA46-62

7. Recommendation GA46-63

8. Recommendation GA46-64

9. Recommendation GA46-65

10. Minutes of the Permanent Committee

B. Recommendations:

1. Recommendation GA46-57

The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly **APPROVE** the FY27 Administrative Budget **be adopted**.

2. Recommendation GA46-58

The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly **APPROVE** the FY27 Special Projects **be adopted.**

3. Recommendation GA46-59

The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly **APPROVE** that the purchase of a new **Data Management System "Site Stacker"** for the General Assembly be made available to all the courts of the church (at no additional charge), which expresses the unity and relatedness of all its parts as described in EPC. **G.** 20-1, **be adopted and moved to the omnibus motion.**

4. Recommendation GA46-60

The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly **APPROVE** the recommendations of the *Book of Discipline* Task Force to amend the ***Book of Discipline***, **be adopted.**

5. Recommendation GA46-61

The Permanent Judicial Commission recommends that the 46th General Assembly **APPROVE** the recommendations of the Book of Discipline Task Force to amend the ***Book of Discipline***, **be adopted.**

6. Recommendation GA46-62

The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly **APPROVE** all ecclesiastical judicial procedures in process on the date the revised *Book of Discipline* is ratified. It shall continue to be processed under the provisions of the current **(2026) *Book of Discipline***, **be adopted.**

7. Recommendation GA46-63

The Midwest Presbytery respectfully overtures the 46th General Assembly to instruct the Office of the General Assembly to not charge an admission fee to future General Assembly meetings, with the exception of meals and childcare, for non-voting spouses and dependents of voting presbyters, and that the Office of the General Assembly to publish a complete overview of the cost of each future General Assembly meeting, **be referred to the National Leadership Team and moved to the Omnibus motion.**

8. Recommendation GA46-64

The Rivers and Lakes Presbytery respectfully **OVERTURES** the 46th General Assembly to direct the National Leadership Team (NLT) to study the current state of the preservation, cataloging, and accessibility of the historical records of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, **be adopted and moved to the Omnibus motion.**

9. Recommendation GA46-65

The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly **APPROVE** the **45th General Assembly Minutes, be adopted and moved to the Omnibus motion.**

10. That the **Minutes** of the Permanent Committee dated August 12-14, 2025, October 9, 2025, January 13-14, 2026, April 8, 2025, and May 12, 2025, **be approved with minor notations and moved to Omnibus motion.**

C. Additional Recommendations from the Standing Committee:

1. Per *Rules for Assembly* 9-6, the Committee voted to place the following eligible recommendation(s) on an omnibus consent motion:

[NOTE: a recommendation amended by the Standing Committee, substitute recommendation or additional recommendation in C.2 are not eligible for the omnibus consent motion.]

Recommendation 46-59

Recommendation 46-63

Recommendation 46-64

Recommendation 46-65

Minutes of the Permanent Committee

Recommendation 45-35

Recommendation 45-36

2. *(Enter any other recommendations here.)*

The Standing Committee commends the members of the Permanent Committee on Administration for their good work during the past year.

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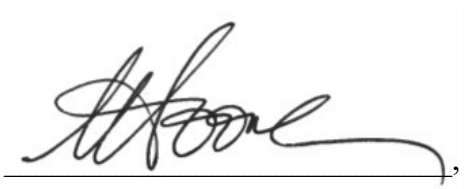
Signature Page for Standing Committee on Administration Report

Respectfully submitted,



_____, Chairman

TE Mark Toone

_____, Clerk

TE Eric Phillip

PART II: PERMANENT & INTERIM COMMITTEE REPORTS

BENEFITS RESOURCE, INC., BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-bri/

The Benefit Resources, Inc. (BRI) Board of Directors reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Benefit Plan Enhancements
2. Medical Claims Management
3. Retirement Plan Enhancements

Recommendations

46-34: The Benefit Resources, Inc., recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve that ordained ministers drawing retirement income from the EPC 403(b)(9) Defined Contribution Retirement Plan be allowed to designate up to 100% of their retirement income for housing allowance as permitted by applicable regulations adopted pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code.

Work of the Committee

EPC Benefit Resources, Inc (BRI) serves church pastors and staff by providing a comprehensive benefits package including five (5) medical plan designs, two (2) dental plan designs, a vision plan, life insurance and long-term disability insurance. Additionally, BRI administers a 403(b)(9) defined contribution church retirement plan available to all actively employed pastors and church staff.

Participants in these plans are served by four (4) experienced BRI team members including the Executive Director, Director of Benefits, Benefits Accounting Analyst and Communications Associate.

The nine (9) member Board of Directors have two (2) standing committees; the Investment Committee, overseeing fund investments of the 403(b)(9) retirement program as well as investments supporting the medical plan, and the Benefits Plans Committee, overseeing health benefits provided through the self-funded medical plan and additional health care benefits.

A Compliance Committee was established in 2025 consisting of two (2) Board members representing the two Board Committees plus two (2) members of the BRI Staff. The Committee reviews state and federal guidelines and regulations and ensures compliance with these requirements.

In March of 2025, Bart Francescone, who served as Executive Director since 2017 announced his resignation to pursue other opportunities. Carolee Richendollar who served as Director of Benefits since 2023 was appointed as BRI Executive Director with formal announcement at General Assembly in June 2025. Carolee has developed the BRI team, advanced new efficiencies, and enhanced policies and procedures in collaboration with the EPC OGA.

The BRI Board meets four times annually, with two in-person at the Office of the General Assembly in Orlando, FL. Each Board Committee also meets four times during the year and provides a report and recommended actions to the BRI Board.

The Board of Directors and the BRI team work together to ensure that EPC Churches have the highest quality and competitive employee benefits package available to care for the health and well-being of their pastors and church staff. Our team serves those carrying out the Great Commission by providing the most comprehensive and contemporary medical and retirement programs. We are blessed to advance this mission.

As we approach open enrollment for calendar 2027 in the fall of 2026, we strongly urge EPC pastors and elders to consider engaging with the EPC Benefits Plan in support of your colleagues in service. Prayerfully consider this option and engage with the BRI team as your Session discerns choices for the coming year. The EPC body will be stronger, together.

Recommendations (Detailed)

RECOMMENDATION 46-34

The Benefit Resources, Inc., recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve that ordained ministers drawing retirement income from the EPC 403(b)(9) Defined Contribution Retirement Plan be allowed to designate up to 100% of their retirement income for housing allowance as permitted by applicable regulations adopted pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code.

Rationale:

Permits retired, ordained ministers to take advantage of significant tax benefits in retirement, thereby making more retirement income available for living expenses. Adopting this recommendation on an annual basis as required by the IRS provides retired ministers with a readily available reference, if asked by tax authorities.

Committee Members

Michael Busch (Chairman)
RE, Presbytery of the Alleghenies

Jeff Andersen
RE, Presbytery of the Great Plains

Bill Coleman
Presbytery of the Central South

Cathy Scott
Presbytery of the East

Brandon Jolley
TE, Presbytery of the Midwest

Michael Moore
Presbytery of the Central South

Greg Sipos
RE, Presbytery of the Alleghenies

Ken Scearce
RE, Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean

Bill Overcast
RE, Presbytery of the Central South

Meeting Dates

October 2, 2025: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, Florida)
December 11, 2025: Video Conference
March 11, 2026: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, Florida)
June 10, 2026: Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Busch, Chairman
June 2026

CHAPLAINS' WORK AND CARE COMMITTEE

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-cwcc/

The Chaplains' Work and Care Committee (CWCC) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly. This report includes the associative work of the CWCC and Chaplain Endorser.

Summary of Work

1. Approved seven new Endorsements for Chaplaincy (civilian/military). With some chaplains retiring or departing for other reasons, the current count of supported Chaplains is 90.
2. As an Officer of Chaplains Alliance for Religious Liberty (CALL), the Endorser continued key visits to various members of both House and Senate Armed Services Committees, officials within the Department of War, as well as taking part in a large symposium on Religious Freedom in America with the National Council on Religious Freedom in Washington D.C.
3. The CWCC recognizes the extensive work of the Endorser, citing a continued increase of chaplains and his tireless support to them, as well as the impact he is having on Capitol Hill and other venues regarding chaplaincy. The CWCC noted that the Endorser's workload continues to increase and encourages the OGA to look at hiring an Administrative Assistant in the near future, even on a parttime basis, to support him.
4. The EPC Chaplain Endorser serves as Board Chairman of the National Association of Evangelicals – Evangelical Chaplains Commission, the Chaplaincy Arm of the NAE as well as serving in multiple other organizations represented in the body of this report.
5. The Endorser accomplished 14 official, in-person Endorser visits to chaplains. This was a troubling reduction from the previous year's visits due to his significantly reduced travel budget. He is hoping that full funding will be restored for 2026-2027.
6. The Endorser represents the EPC, CWCC, and chaplains through meetings with associations and conferences in which the denomination has affiliation (names of these are provided in the report body). Meetings were both in-person and virtual.
7. The Endorser continued his direct work and officer positions with three major chaplain-supporting organizations in which the EPC belongs (more provided in the body of the report).
8. The very successful 2025 annual Chaplains Workshop was held the Friday after GA, featuring PIR Ministries, and Chaplain Vasyl Khimich, Chaplain to the Ukrainian Military and his wife Valya.
9. The 2026 annual Chaplains Workshop will once again be held the Friday after GA, at Greenwood Community Church.

10. Further research is being done on developing a Social Network tool for use by the Chaplains and the Endorser/CWCC.
11. One Committee Member will be ending her time with the CWCC after six years of dedicated service. One TE was recommended to the Nominating Committee to replace the outgoing member at GA 2026. This keeps the desired balance of the Committee to a ratio of 2-1 TE's to RE's.
12. Revised/updated the EPC Chaplaincy web page to keep it current.
13. Discussions continued where Chaplaincy properly fits within Gospel Priorities and how that is recognized on the pages of the EPC website.
14. In addition to multiple Endorsement Interviews through the year, the CWCC/Endorser also accomplished their annual two-day Fall and Winter/Spring CWCC meetings.
15. CWCC and Endorser are developing recommendations to be discussed with the MVC regarding ordination questions more fitting for those called to Chaplaincy.

Recommendations

The Chaplains Work and Care Committee has no recommendations for the 46th General Assembly.

Work of the Committee

SCOPE OF WORK

The Chaplains Work and Care Committee (CWCC) consists of nine members, both Teaching and Ruling Elders, along with the EPC Chaplain Endorser who serves as an ex-officio member with voice and vote. The desired balance of the Committee is a 2-1 ratio of TE's to RE's. The CWCC and Endorser are supported by the denomination's Assistant Stated Clerk.

The number of EPC chaplains is growing. With only limited administrative support able to be provided by the OGA, the Endorser is seeking either an Employed or Volunteer Administrative Assistant to support his work and the work of the CWCC.

The military and many civilian institutions require their chaplains to be Ecclesiastically Endorsed by their denominations. Additionally, the EPC strongly encourages all chaplains serving in institutional organizations that don't require Endorsement, to nevertheless be Endorsed under the EPC through the CWCC and Endorser. This requirement is in line with other sending denominations and faith groups. It helps to ensure that all individuals seeking to serve as Chaplains are well vetted and suited for this specialized type of professional ministry, and that we are meeting the expectations of Institutions asking us to send them the "best of our best" to serve. Endorsement also provides the Endorsee valuable support via the Chaplain Endorser and CWCC, through prayer and care, financial support to attend EPC events, legal protections while working within secular institutions, and a voice of support for whatever a chaplain faces in their ministry.

EPC-ordained ministers and candidates under care of Presbyteries receive EPC Denominational Ecclesiastical Endorsement through the General Assembly's Chaplain Endorser, who is the sole signatory for Endorsements, supported by the Chaplains Work and Care Committee (CWCC). The Committee and Endorser handle the application, vetting, interview, and endorsement process, closely reviewing the qualifications of each applicant for Endorsement. If approved, the Chaplain

Endorser forwards the EPC Ecclesiastical Endorsement to:

- The Chief of Chaplains Office of the appropriate military branch for military institutional chaplains (this also includes seminarians entering Military Chaplain Candidate Programs).
- The necessary agency for civilian institutional chaplains, including those seeking Board Certification, entrance to Clinical Pastoral Education programs, and others.

Notification of successful Endorsement is also provided to the Presbytery in which the individual is in process for Ordination or already Ordained and serving in another Calling. In addition, Volunteer chaplains are properly recognized for their work and receive a letter of "Endorsement to Serve as a Volunteer Chaplain." We encourage all those who are serving as Volunteer Chaplains as an addition to their Calling, to apply and receive this special form of Endorsement so that they may be properly supported and recognized.

Due to the parallel process of Ordination and Endorsement, most of the following categories of Endorsement receive Conditional Endorsement which is explained below. There are five distinct types of Endorsement, keeping in mind that all EPC chaplains are expected to receive Endorsement:

A. **Military Chaplaincy Endorsement.** For those Called to serve as a chaplain with the Army, Air Force, or Navy (includes Marines, Coast Guard, and the Coast Guard Auxiliary), in an Active Duty, Reserve, or Guard capacity, including Seminarians considering military chaplaincy and entering a military Chaplain Candidate program.
B. **Military Chaplaincy Transfer of Endorsement**. For currently serving military chaplains seeking to transfer their ordination credentials and endorsement from their current denomination or ordaining/endorsing group to the EPC.
C. **Civilian Institutional Chaplaincy Endorsement.** For those Called to serve as a chaplain within a civilian institution, including Hospital/Health Care, Hospice, Correctional Facilities, Corporate and Marketplace chaplaincies, Sports Organizations, Education, and more.
D. **Civilian Institutional Chaplaincy Transfer of Endorsement**. For currently serving civilian institutional chaplains seeking to transfer their ordination credentials and endorsement from their current denomination or ordaining/endorsing group to the EPC.
E. **Volunteer Chaplaincy.** For those (often TE's serving in paid ministry roles) who are seeking to add to their Call of ministry in a "Volunteer" capacity. Volunteer chaplains

serve in a variety of locations, providing unpaid and highly valuable chaplain support to various institutions and departments such as Police, Fire, First Responders, Disaster Relief, Health Care, and more. Volunteer chaplains receive a "Letter of Endorsement to Serve as a Volunteer Chaplain."

F. **Grandfathered-in Endorsement:** This Endorsement process is for those Chaplains currently serving within Civilian Institutional settings, but have not yet been Endorsed. Because they have already been working in their capacity as Chaplain, and their Call already approved by Presbytery, this Endorsement has much less requirements than those who are just now seeking a position as a chaplain within an institutional setting.

Conditional Denominational Ecclesiastical Endorsement is provided for various reasons: 1) those still in process of Ordination and have successfully completed their written Ordination Exams; 2) as a requirement/expectation by Presbyteries for meeting ordination requirements; 3) for the purpose of applying for a chaplain position that is time sensitive; 4) to assist in the timing of the transfer credentials from another denomination as set forth by a presbytery; 5) to meet requirements by military institutions that there be no disruption in a chaplains Endorsement status; 6) to apply to a Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) program/residency or to apply for Board Certification; or 7), to submit application to a military Chaplain Candidate Program for Seminarians.

Conditional Endorsement is limited in length and can only be renewed by the Chaplain Endorser.

The Committee's secondary—but just as important—function is to partner with Chaplains to be an encourager, and to guide and support them. All employed chaplains endorsed by the EPC will receive regular, direct support from a CWCC member as their partner. Volunteer Chaplains will still be partnered with a CWCC member who will be available to them as needed, such as for prayer requests, concerns, supporting information, and the like.

The Endorser's secondary—but equally vital—function is to provide continuing support and accountability with chaplains, ensure that they are maintaining connection with the EPC especially through their ordaining or geographically located Presbyter, and that they are representing our God and the EPC well in their ministry. The Endorser also ensures, through important in-place visits with Chaplains, that leadership is pleased with their work, and in turn, that leadership is supporting our chaplain in their efforts. Another key Endorser focus is that Chaplains receive annual, continuing education and training to better equip them in their work. These speak only of a few of the broad range of the Endorser's responsibilities.

POLICIES, PROCEDURES, CARE

The CWCC and Endorser also develop and implement policies and procedures for EPC chaplain ministry and provides pastoral care for Chaplains and their families as opportunities allow.

CHAPLAINCY ENDORSEMENTS

Since the 45th General Assembly, the CWCC approved the following chaplaincy endorsements, bringing the total number of Endorsed Chaplains to 90:

TE Jamie Cupschalk: Approved Denominational Ecclesiastical Endorsement through the EPC Chaplain Endorser for James (Jamie) Cupschalk to serve as a Volunteer Police Chaplain.

TE Elija Bombeck: Approved the Conditional Denominational Ecclesiastical Endorsement through the EPC Chaplain Endorser for Elija Bombeck to serve as a U.S. Army Reserve Chaplain upon successful accession by the U.S. Army.

TE Christy Cordle: Approved the Conditional Denominational Ecclesiastical Endorsement through the EPC Chaplain Endorser for Christy Cordle to serve as a Civilian Health Care Chaplain, upon successful completion of ordination.

Tim McFarland: Approved Denominational Ecclesiastical Endorsement through the EPC Chaplain Endorser to Tim McFarland to serve as a volunteer correction facility chaplaincy with the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections.

TE Anne Brooks Buckwalter: Approved Denominational Ecclesiastical Endorsement through the EPC Chaplain Endorser to Anne Brooks Buckwalter to serve as a civilian hospital chaplain.

TE David Burke: Approved Denominational Ecclesiastical Endorsement through the EPC Chaplain Endorser for David Burke as he continues to serve as chaplain for the Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest.

OPERATIONAL HANDBOOKS

Further edits were made to the Chaplain's Handbook to make it an even more streamlined and efficient tool for Chaplain use. Numerous edits and revisions were suggested and discussed at the annual Fall Meeting of the CWCC. The original intent was to have final, updated, handbooks submitted by the CWCC to the Office of the General Assembly, and to be approved by the General Assembly in June 2026. However, it was decided that continued work needed to continue before submission, so the plan is to submit the new handbooks to be approved at the 2027 General Assembly.

UPDATING CHAPLAINCY FORMS FOR DIGITAL ACCESS

Chaplain Application and Information Forms require consistent updates to keep them current. The Endorser, with the support of the EPC Communications Team, ensures that these updates happen in a timely fashion. These are all accessible online at http://www.epconnect.org/chaplaincy

EPC CHAPLAINCY WEBPAGE

The ever-evolving EPC Chaplaincy web page at http://www.epconnect.org/chaplaincy is continually updated as necessary by the Chaplain Endorser through the EPC Communications Team. Updates keep the page current and user-friendly, while providing easy access to Endorsement Applications along with a clear explanation of the EPC Endorsement process for all seeking to serve as Chaplains.

SOCIAL NETWORKING TOOL FOR CHAPLAINS

The Endorser with CWCC Support is continuing further research on developing a Social Network tool for use by the Chaplains and the Endorser/CWCC to enhance collegiality and to share successes that other chaplains can consider in their own ministry.

CHAPLAINCY AS PART OF GOSPEL PRIORITIES

CWCC Chairman Kendra Bowers and Chaplain Endorser Mark Ingles continue to work collaboratively with the Office of the General Assembly to incorporate the chaplaincy into the appropriate sections of the EPC website.

CHAPLAINS WORKSHOP

All chaplains are expected to attend the annual Chaplains Workshop, which is held now the Friday after GA concludes. We continue to solicit having the Chaplains Workshop at the GA host church, which, after a series of logistical challenges, was able to happen at Ward Church in 2025.

However, this year the Workshop could not be held at the Host Church, Cherry Creek Presbyterian. Thankfully we were able to reserve a space at Greenwood Community Church, fairly near to Cherry Creek. Though it has presented its own set of hurdles, the staff of that Campus has been very gracious and helpful, and we don't expect any issues. The focus for Workshop 2026 is two parts:

Part 1 of the Workshop will feature Kelley McLean with First Liberty Institute and her theme, "Religious Liberty and Freedom: Fighting for What Matters Most!"

For this segment of our Chaplains Workshop, our keynote speaker Ms. Kelley McLean will discuss the vital role Chaplains have in upholding religious liberty and supporting the religious practices of those they serve. She will discuss existing legal protections, and key priorities First Liberty is working on. Additionally, she will walk through complex scenarios, so you know your role according to the law. We will also have plenty of time for Q&A.

The title of Part 2 featuring Dr. Mark Andrew Jumper is "Cultivating a Culture of Ministry Health: A Culture where life, leadership, and ministry flourish in Christ". "Recovering the Basics, Building the Kingdom!"

For our second portion of the workshop, our keynote speaker, Dr. Mark Jumper (son of one of the EPC founding fathers Andrew Jumper), will share from his co-authored book, Chaplaincy: A Comprehensive Introduction, to help chaplains approach chaplaincy from an explicit evangelical viewpoint of biblical, theological, philosophical, historical, legal, and applicational bases. Attendees will then examine the extraordinary new opportunities of the world's current "chaplaincy moment" for evangelicals to minister fruitful Kingdom ministry in answer to our daily prayer that Jesus taught us to pray and act.

During GA we are planning on the Presentation of Chaplains to the Assembly during one of the Business Sessions, hopefully on Thursday. Also, we will host one of the Network Lunches, with Dr. Jumper: "Being Denominational in a Non-Denominational Age". There will also be a Chaplains' Dinner on Thursday evening of the General Assembly.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

With the desire to help enrich the marriages of our chaplains, the Chaplain Endorser has been periodically sending emails to the chaplains focused on various ways to enhance one's marriage. He is also planning to put together a focus paper to be sent out to all married chaplains. It will contain various marriage enrichment and maintenance opportunities in support of maintaining good marital health.

PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS / CONFIDENTIALITY BRIEF

The Chaplain Endorser continues to address the arena of privileged communications, confidentiality, and mandatory reporting, something that already exists for many of our EPC Chaplains. For example, the Department of War has a strict policy that provides nearly absolute adherence to the provision of Confidential Communications with Chaplains, following closely the absolutes of Penitent Privilege/Confessional, afforded to Catholic Priests. Further discussion will continue in possibly developing a policy on this for all TE positions. .

CHAPLAIN VISITS

Chaplains receive personal visits from the Endorser, preferably every three years at a minimum. Even with some limitations imposed by rising travel costs and the Endorser travel budget being cut significantly this past fiscal year, the Endorser still managed to accomplish 14 official/personal Endorser visits to chaplains, their supervisors, and other leadership, down from 26 last fiscal year. These visits develop an ongoing and closer relationship with our Chaplains, along with helping to ensure their professional development. In addition, these visits provide important relationship-building between the Endorser and Supervisors and other Leadership to which the Chaplain is accountable.

CAPITOL HILL KEY VISITS AND ACTIONS

The Endorser, particularly through CALL, continued key office visits with Congressional members of both House and Senate Armed Services Committees. He also took part in a large

symposium on Religious Freedom in America with the National Council on Religious Freedom in Washington D.C. Additionally, he was involved in various critical discussions with the Department of War including the Secretary of War, Pete Hegseth, and related officials on improving and enhancing the chaplain corps of all military services.

CWCC AND ENDORSER RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE MVC REGARDING ORDINATION QUESTIONS

Recognizing the great importance of CPE for Chaplains, particularly in the arena of Health Care, discussion continues about the potential for providing partial funding of CPE Courses through the Care of Chaplains Fund, and possibly from Presbytery funding. A working duo of CWCC members will work on this, and an evaluation will be made and recommendation presented at a future CWCC Meeting.

ASSOCIATION RELATIONS

The Endorser represents the denomination and chaplains in associations with which we have affiliation, as well as at seven professional conferences. This includes NCMAF (National Conference of Ministry to the Armed Forces), NAE-ECC (National Association of Evangelicals – Evangelical Chaplains Commission), the Chaplaincy arm of the NAE, CALL (Chaplains Alliance for Religious Liberty), ECVAC (Endorsers Conference for Veterans Affair Chaplaincy, AFCB (Armed Forces Chaplain Board), MCA (Military Chaplains Association), the NCRF (National Council on Religious Freedom), as well as FCMM (Fellowship of Christian Military Ministries), which includes ACTS (e.g., Association for Christian Conferences, Teaching and Service; Cadence International; Christian Military Fellowship; Cru Military; Military Community Youth Ministries; Military Missions Network; Officers' Christian Fellowship; Olive Branch International; and The Navigators Military Mission.

ENDORSER'S ASSOCIATION OFFICER ROLES

1. Serves as Board Chairman for National Association of Evangelicals – Evangelical Chaplains Commission (NAE-ECC), the Chaplaincy Arm of the NAE.
2. Serves on the advisory council for the Evangelical Board of Certified Chaplains (EBCC) as well as Board Certification Panelist for Board Certification candidates.
3. The Endorser continues as Treasurer for the Chaplains Alliance for Religious Liberty (CALL).
4. Secretary for the Endorsers Conference for Veterans Affairs Chaplaincy (ECVAC). The EPC is a member of all these organizations.

A special note regarding Chaplain Alliance for Religious Liberty (CALL), in which Endorser Mark Ingles serves as an Officer. Since 2011, CALL has been on the front lines and has led the effort to secure the religious liberties of chaplains and those whom they serve. The Organization strives to enable all chaplains to serve to the broadest extent of their constitutional mission and endorsement, and they nurture and support an environment that cherishes the role of chaplains in

American culture. Keep them in prayer as they strive, through direct congressional, legal, and military institutional engagements, to ensure that no American, especially those who serve our nation, are denied their constitutionally protected rights to freely exercise their religious beliefs. Through his Association with CALL, the Endorser accomplished 63 very productive office visits with various members of Congress who are part of the Armed Services Committees of both the House and the Senate. These meetings focused on Religious Freedom and Religious Liberty, and numerous other issues and challenges particularly facing our Chaplains. The Endorser was also part of a large symposium on Religious Freedom in America in Washington DC.

CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION (CPE) PARTIAL FUNDING

Recognizing the great importance of CPE for Chaplains, particularly in the arena of Health Care, discussion continues about the potential for providing partial funding of CPE Courses through the Care of Chaplains Fund, and possibly from Presbytery funding. A working duo of CWCC members will work on this, and an evaluation will be made and recommendation presented at a future CWCC Meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBER TRANSITIONS AND APPRECIATION

The CWCC and Endorser extends it's heartfelt thanks to Marty Carpenter for her six years of dedicated service to the Chaplains Work and Care Committee, the Endorser, and being a part of the important Endorsement process. We will be welcoming a new Committee Member come GA.

PERSONAL REMARKS FROM CHAIRMAN KENDRA BOWERS

It is a privilege to continue serving as Chairman of the Chaplains Work and Care Committee this year. Having spent much of my career in the Navy, both on and off active duty, I have seen firsthand the unique and critical role chaplains play in the lives of those they serve. They are often present in moments of crisis, transition, and uncertainty, bringing not only spiritual care but also steady leadership and compassion in places where the Church may not otherwise have a visible presence.

EPC chaplains truly serve on the front lines of ministry. Whether in the military, hospitals, law enforcement, or other institutional settings, they extend the reach of the Church into environments where relationships must be built through trust, presence, and faithful witness. Their work reflects the heart of Christ by meeting people where they are—often in their most difficult moments.

The Chaplains Work and Care Committee exists to support this vital ministry. Our role is simple but important: provide Endorsements of course, but more than that, to stay connected, to encourage, to pray, and to advocate for our chaplains across the denomination. This year's committee reflects a wide range of experiences and callings, with Teaching and Ruling Elders serving together from across the country, each bringing valuable perspective to the work we share.

I am grateful to serve alongside such a committed group, and I am especially thankful for the continued leadership of our Endorser, TE Mark Ingles, whose dedication to caring for and equipping our chaplains remains essential to this ministry.

As we look ahead, my hope is that we continue to strengthen our connection with our chaplains, ensuring they know they are supported, valued, and not serving alone. It is a blessing to play even a small part in the work God is doing through them.

PERSONAL REMARKS FROM ENDORSER MARK INGLES

It's hard to believe I've been serving as Endorser and "Chaplain to the Chaplains" now for 14 years! I inherited 32 chaplains when I took over the Endorser position from Mark Jumper. I and the CWCC now have 90 chaplains to care for and support. That increase over the years is a perfect example of the ever-increasing growth of chaplaincy across the US and beyond.

As the number of EPC chaplains continues to expand, I'm so very thankful for the members of the Chaplains Work & Care Committee, especially the outstanding leadership of CWCC Chairman, Kendra Bowers, plus the helpful secretarial support of member Dave Snyder to keep things running smoothly during meetings. I'm also grateful for the support, though limited, afforded to us by the OGA office by April Hair, as well as my appreciation for Michael Davis as our OGA resource person for the CWCC and my work as Endorser. Without all of this great support, my work would be much more challenging.

Our Chaplains continue to impress me over and over with the amazing work they are doing and the moving stories they have shared about the lives they have touched. Ministering within secular environments as invited guests, Chaplains are at the exciting forefront of ministry. As highly skilled, trained, and godly professionals, it takes a combination of special qualities, mindset, strengths, and skills to be a chaplain. Chaplains complement the work of the Church by providing a reach to people that might not darken the door of a church yet yearn for some sort of spiritually anchored support (or just a listening ear and shoulder to lean on) in their challenges of life.

It is a tremendous joy to be their Endorser and to support them and their ministry in every way I can. They go to where people are, their very work centers, daily lives, and bedsides, that many in other types of ministries often can't go. To see our chaplains used by God to help those entrusted to them through some of the most difficult and challenging times in their lives, is truly beautiful. Thank you for your support and trust in me as your EPC Chaplain Endorser as I strive to be the best I can be to our chaplains.

EPC CHAPLAINS ROSTER

Military Chaplains

Air Force Active Duty
Chaplain (Capt) Joshua Fellrath
Chaplain (Capt) Joshua Hammans
Chaplain (Capt) James Harris III
Chaplain (LtCol) Jason Kim
Chaplain (Capt) David Shrader
Chaplain (Capt) Christopher Teague
Chaplain (Maj) Portman (PJ) Werner

Air Force Reserves
Chaplain (Capt) Mark Gregory
***transfer to PCA*
Chaplain (Capt) Daniel Kim
Chaplain (Capt) Matthew Liethen

Air National Guard
Chaplain (Col) Joseph "Marty" Fields
Chaplain (Lt Col) John Torres

Army Active Duty
Chaplain (MAJ) Timothy Brooks
Chaplain (COL) Jennifer Cooper
Chaplain (LTC) Scott Kennaugh *(Retired)*
Chaplain (MAJ) Thomas (T.C.) Robinson
Chaplain (CPT) Robert Stanley
Chaplain (CPT) Nicholas C. Tyler *(Retired)*

Army Reserve
Chaplain (---) Elija Bombeck ***in process*
Chaplain (MAJ) Patrick Cobb
Chaplain (CPT) Bryan Knedgen
Chaplain (---) John Macere ***in process*
Chaplain (CPT) Robert Olszewski

Army National Guard
Chaplain (CPT) Jared Dilley
Chaplain (MAJ) Luke Gleaves

Navy Active Duty
Chaplain (CMDR) Jason Gregory
Chaplain (LT) Kevin Kyle
Chaplain (LT) Vanessa Platek
Chaplain (CMDR) Robert Price
Chaplain (---) Christian Zebley **in process

Navy Reserve
Chaplain (LT) Joe Carvajal ***in process*
Chaplain (CAPT) Timothy Foster
Chaplain (LT) Kevin Kyle
***Transfer from AD*
Chaplain (LT) Joshua Schatzle
***Transferring to ECC*

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
- Michelle Munger ***in process*

Veterans Administration
Chaplain Jason Riggs
Chaplain Katie Piquette

Civil Air Patrol
Chaplain (Lt Col) William Pawson
Chaplain (Lt Col) John B. Rhodes

Civilian Chaplains

TE Mike Anderson
- Chaplain, Presbytery of the West
TE Robert Barrett
- Hospice of the Valley
TE Anthony Bianchini
- State Prison System
TE Karen Bolte
- Sutter Roseville Medical Center
TE John Bower
- Hospice Chaplain
TE Rob Buchanan
- Sentara Norfolk General Hospital/ Applying for BCCI Certification, VA
TE Anne Brooks Buckwalter
- Intermountain Health St. Vincent Regional Hospital, MT
TE David Burke
- Chaplain, Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest
TE Marty Carpenter
- St. Agnes Medical Center, CA

TE Joe Carvajal
- *Care Hospice*
TE David Chambers
- *Family Hospice and Palliative Care*
TE Paul Cochran
- *Three Links Care Center*
TE (pending) Christy Cordle
- *Healthcare Chaplaincy, in process*
TE Richard Evans
- *Asante Hospice*
TE Tanner Fixari
- *Hospice of Central Ohio*
TE Helen Franssell
- *Capital Caring Hospice*
TE Bruce Gimbel
- *Jericho Road Ministries, Inc.*
TE Luke Gleaves
- *Pastoral Care Mgr., SSM Health, St. Joseph's Hospital (transfer in process)*
TE L.B. Graham
- *Barnes Jewish Hospital/Applying for BCCI Certification*
TE Michael Guthrie
- *Presbyterian St. Luke's Medical Center*
TE Glen Holman
- *Augusta Health Hospital*
TE Mark Ingles
- *Chaplain to the Chaplains*
TE Brad Kenney
- *Soccer Chaplains United*
TE Daniel Kim
- *Infinite Legacy Organ Procurement Organization Family Support Program*
TE Jeff Lancaster
- *Marketplace Chaplains*
TE Christopher Lemmon
- *Preferred Hospice*
TE Matthew Liethen
- *Dunes Hospice*
TE John Macere
- *Civilian Hospice Chaplaincy*
TE Sarah Marsh
- *UC Health Medical Center of the Rockies*
TE Kate Mauch
- *Crossroads Hospice*
TE Lisa Negus
- *Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital/ Applying for CPE Residency then Board Certification*
TE David Noble
- *Marketplace Chaplains (Plano, TX)*
TE Abigail Opal
- *Mental Health Association of Beaver County, PA Chaplain*
TE Doug Overall
- *Crossroads Hospice*
TE Chandler Owens
- *Hospital Chaplain, Applying for BCCI*
CP/RE Leonilda Ruiz Perez
- *Chaplain to EMT's, Disaster Response Teams, the Puerto Rican Government, as well as Dean of the School of Counseling and Chaplaincy Training in Puerto Rico*
TE Katie Piquette
- *Charles George VA Medical Center*
TE Jennifer Prechter
- *Arnold Palmer Medical Center: Palliative Care (Children's)*
TE Edward Ramer
- *Pollock Federal Correctional Complex, Bureau of Prisons*
TE Scott Rash
- *Missouri Palliative & Hospice Care*
TE Jim Robinson
- *Crossroads Hospice of Kansas City*
TE Jonathan Sasser
- Marketplace Chaplain – Tyson Foods
TE Daniel Situka
- *Vitas Health Care Corp. (in transition)*
TE Timothy Slager
- *Federal Bureau of Prisons (Applying)*
TE Scott Steltzer
- *Camp Ministries*
TE Dan Stewart
- *Marketplace Chaplaincy*
TE Matthew Sullivan
- *The Covenant School*
TE Ryan Swieringa
- *Supervisor of Spiritual Care, Mercy Health – St. Vincent Medical Center*

TE Ted Tromble

- *Aurora BayCare Medical Center*
TE Michael Wichman
- *Admin. Chaplain, KC Homeless Shelter*

Military Chaplain Candidates

Torres (TJ) Brown, Army Program
Blaise Shields (LTJG), Navy Program
Christopher Westgate, Air Force Program

Volunteer Chaplains

TE Jamie Cupschalk
- *Chaplain, Voorhees Township Police Department, NJ*
TE Marty Carpenter
- *Chaplain, Sanger Police* Department, CA
TE Tim Foster
- *Chaplain, Shelby County Sheriffs' Department, Memphis Metro, TN*
TE Dick Glasgow
- *Chaplain, Falcon Fire Protection District, CO*
TE Scott Glover
- *Community Chaplain for Kingsport, TN*
TE Al Henager
- *Chaplain Trainer for the Kansas City, KS Police & Fire Chaplain's Association and Chaplain, Kansas City Police Department.*
TE Glen Holman
- *Chaplain, Waynesboro Police Department, Chaplaincy Program Coordinator, VA*
TE Jim Howe
- *Police, Fire, 1st Responder Chaplain, Weed, CA*
CP/RE Carol LaMar
- *Chaplain, Guymon Fire Department; Goodwell Fire & Police Departments, OK*
Tim McFarland
- *George W. Hill County Department of Corrections, PA*

Recommendations (Detailed)

The Chaplains Work and Care Committee has no recommendations for the 46th General Assembly.

Committee Members

Kendra Bowers (Chairman)
RE, Presbytery of the Central South

Marty Carpenter
TE, Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest

Larry Williams
RE, Presbytery of the Alleghenies

Karen Bolte
TE, Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest

Daniel Kim
TE, Presbytery of the East

Mark Ingles (Chaplain Endorser)
TE, Presbytery of the West

Jim Pleuss
RE, Presbytery of the Rivers and Lakes

Richard Evans
TE, Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest

Scott Kennaugh
TE, Presbytery of the Central South

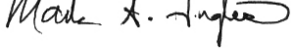
David Snyder
TE, Presbytery of the Midwest

Meeting Dates

October 12-13, 2025: Video Conference
March 02-03, 2026: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, Florida)
May 1, 2026: Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,

Kendra Bowers, Chairman
June 2026



Mark Ingles, Chaplain Endorser
June 2026

DISASTER RELIEF COMMITTEE

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-DRC/

The Disaster Relief Committee (DRC) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Replaced five roofs and sheet rocked the homes near Valley Hope EPC in Swannanoa Valley, North Carolina.
2. Replaced eight roofs and repaired the interior through Cornerstone Presbyterian Church in Selma, Alabama.

Recommendations

The Disaster Relief Committee has no recommendations for the 46th General Assembly.

Work of the Committee

The Disaster Relief Committee had four video conferences: July 10, 2025, September 18, 2025, November 6, 2025, and March 5, 2026.

The Disaster Relief Committee had an in-person retreat at the Office of the General Assembly in Orlando, Florida, January 5-7, 2026.

The Disaster Relief Committee went to visit Dr John Uhl after the Texas Flooding on July 4, 2025. The DRC did send financial resources to Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church in Ingram, Texas. Ronney Harrell, Toni Harris, and Whitney Alexander, DRC committee members, went August 2-5, 2025, and it was decided unanimously to listen to the wants of Rev John Uhl.

The Disaster Relief Committee sent committee member Toni Harris to Valley Hope Church for six weeks with a roofing team to replace five roofs and sheetrock these homes in Swannanoa Valley from October 25 to November 25.

The Disaster Relief Committee sent committee member Toni Harris to Cornerstone Presbyterian Church in Selma, Alabama, and worked alongside Rev Steve Burton and Rev John Grayson (Gospel Tabernacle Church) in replacing eight roofs and sheetrocking the interior of each home.

The intent of the committee is to possibly expand geographically to include representation from the Carolinas, the East, and the West Coast, increasing the committee from nine to twelve members in order to better respond to and serve those regions during disasters.

Recommendations (Detailed)

The Disaster Relief Committee has no recommendations for the 46th General Assembly.

Committee Members

Whitney Alexander (Chairman)
TE, Presbytery of the Gulf South

Paul Gorny (Co-Chairman)
Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean

Paul Gibson
TE, Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean

Cliff Mansley
TE, Presbytery of the West

Rich Phillips
RE, Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest

Toni Harris
Presbytery of the Central South

Steve Burton
TE, Presbytery of the Central South

Tommy Phelps
Presbytery of the Great Plains

Ronney "Bubba" Harrell
Presbytery of the Central South

Meeting Dates

July 10, 2025: Video Conference
September 18, 2025: Video Conference
November 6, 2025: Video Conference
January 5-7, 2026: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, Florida)
March 5, 2026: Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,

Whitney Alexander, Chairman
June 2026

Paul Gorny, Co-Chairman
June 2026

FRATERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-fraternal-relations/

The Fraternal Relations Committee (FRC) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Trip to Egypt

Recommendations

46-33: The Fraternal Relations Committee recommends that the 46th General Assembly move that the EPC enter a formal Fraternal Relation with Synod of the Nile as described in *Acts of Assembly* 12-10.

Work of the Committee

Greetings In the Name of our Lord in 2026!

Over the past year, I have had the pleasure of being the new chair of the Fraternal Relations Committee. The major project that the Fraternal Relations Committee has been working on is recommending a fraternal relationship between the Synod of the Nile and the Evangelical Presbyterian Church at this year's General Assembly.

I had the joy of representing the EPC and the Fraternal Relations Committee in Cairo Egypt from February 16th-23rd. Our team consisted of Teaching Elder Whitney Cummings and our World Outreach Worker on the ground in Cairo. We had the pleasure of touring six church plants and meeting several key leaders of important committees within the Synod of the Nile. Their General Secretary Refat Fathy was most generous with his time and coordinating our visit. I would kindly ask that you spend time with him and his travel companion Pastor Samuel Adel as they are guests at our General Assembly this year!

The committee has worked towards continuing to improve our relationships with other friends throughout the world. A big thank you is owed to World Outreach Worker Jeff Kim in France who continues to help with UNEPREF. The EPC will be assisting and helping them with church planting and church health as our relationship continues to deepen and grow.

I have personally been working towards reaching out to the Mexican Presbyterian Church. They are our guests for this General Assembly. I hope that we can open the door for recruitment for church planters and short-term mission trips. A special thank you to my wife, Sara Kortyna in coming to GA to help with translation and hospitality for our Mexican guests.

What does the future look like for the Fraternal Relationship Committee within the EPC? Traditionally, the FR and WO have not worked together. Both have been separated. The committee is working towards changing that and having both parties cooperation with one another. The committee will work in the future to make sure if we have a WO worker on the

ground, that they connect with our FR. Right now, this is being pursued in Egypt and France. Furthermore, the committee members will work towards raising awareness at the Presbytery levels about how to get involved in the Lord's work overseas.

The committee is also going to work towards running a workshop at GA in 2027 on how local churches can partner with our FR overseas. Partnership can be pursued through adopting sister churches of similar size and scope in ministry. Cooperation can emerge in domains such as church planting, next generation ministries, church health, and most importantly, prayer.

My local congregation Christ Presbyterian Church, for example, in Boise Idaho is hosting Pastor Samuel Adel to preach and share about church planting in Egypt and the broader region. Both of us are hoping to establish a friendship between our two churches this summer.

It's been a pleasure to serve the General Assembly. If you have any questions, please reach out to me at douglas.kortyna.epcfraternal@gmail.com. If you are also interested in watching a video of my trip in Egypt, please click this link.

Blessings,

Rev. Douglas J. Kortyna

Recommendations (Detailed)

RECOMMENDATION 46-33

The Fraternal Relations Committee recommends that the 46th General Assembly move that the EPC enter a formal Fraternal Relation with Synod of the Nile as described in *Acts of Assembly* 12-10.

Rationale:

Whereas the Evangelical Presbyterian Church is a global movement of Reformed, Evangelical, Presbyterian and Missional congregations, and whereas our mission is to Carry Out the Great Commission, the Permanent Committee on Fraternal Relations believes that a partnership with the Synod of the Nile (Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Egypt) would serve to both continue to ground us in the Gospel-Centered movement of the global church and would also provide opportunities for strategic outreach into some of the most difficult to reach places of the Arab speaking world.

Committee Members

Douglas Kortyna (Chairman)
TE, Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest

Stan Van den Berg
TE, Presbytery of the Great Plains

Brandon Addison
TE, Presbytery of the West

Josh Hammans
TE, Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean

Roger Rumer
RE, Presbytery of the Alleghenies

David Galbraith
RE, Presbytery of the Midwest

Josh Shelley
RE, Presbytery of the Central South

Holly Lazzaro
RE, Presbytery of the East

Pattie Francis
RE, Presbytery of the Southwest

Meeting Dates

January 5, 2026: Video Conference
May 4, 2026: Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas Kortyna, Chairman
June 2026

MINISTERIAL VOCATION COMMITTEE

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-mvc/

The Ministerial Vocation Committee (MVC) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Monitoring and aiding ministerial committees of local presbyteries.
2. Assisting in the placement of pastors and helping churches find pastors.
3. Providing information on colleges and seminaries (along with adjacent print, electronic and ministry resources).
4. Interviewing Candidates for seminary-equivalent educational programs.
5. Overseeing the four national written examinations.
6. Exercising authority over all standardized national forms for the Ordination Process.

Recommendations

46-35: The Ministerial Vocation Committee recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve the following Endorsement Policy to supersede the *Acts of Assembly* 20-10.

Work of the Committee

The MVC considered a request from Ministerial Committee the Presbytery of the East regarding the written exams, postponing response pending recommendations of the Ad Interim Committee on Ordination Standards.

The MVC sent a letter to Clerks of Presbyteries encouraging remuneration for Chairs of Ministerial Committees.

The MVC held an onboarding meeting in January of 2026 for new Ministerial and Care of Candidates Chairs.

The MVC met in person with Ministerial Committee Chairs in the office of the OGA for the purpose of fostering collegiality, training, sharing best practices, and identifying issues facing Ministerial and care of Candidates Committees.

The MVC hosted 6 additional meetings (Zoom) with Ministerial Committee Chairs for the purpose of training, sharing best practices, identifying issues facing Ministerial and Care of Candidates including review of constitutional changes adopted by the 45th GA.

The MVC discussed Face-to-Face for the 46th General Assembly requesting that the Stated Clerk schedule Face-to-Face on the first day of the Assembly. (MVC-2026-03)

The MVC received a presentation and an application to be a resource by Brandon Addison of Tin Man Ministries.

The MVC initiated a review process of Committee Endorsements and made a recommendation to the 46th General Assembly regarding the EPC Endorsement Policy. (MVC-2026-05)

The MVC voted to remove Mike Bonem and Vanderblomen Search Group from Endorsements. (MVC-2026-02)

The MVC made CEEP recommendations for 7 candidates. (MVC-2025-13,16,21,22,23, 2026-01, 9)

The MVC developed and approved a policy requiring a signature that all work submitted in taking the written exams be free AI-generated content. (MVC-2025-19, MVC-2026-07) (Written Ordination Exams AI Integrity Statement)

The MVC tasked Assistant Stated Clerk TE Michael Davis with oversight of the written exam graders. (MVC-2026-08)

The MVC reviewed the Bible Knowledge Assessment used by World Outreach with representatives from World Outreach.

The MVC authorized the Chair to review all Terms of Call forms as needed to ensure compliance with the Book of Order. (MVC-2025-14, 15)

The MVC approved the removal of the 2021 Ordination Exam form from the website. (MVC-2025-17)

The MVC hosted an onboarding meeting with the new Ministerial Vocation Committee members.

The MVC discussed continuing education for Pastors and Commissioned Pastors, noting the Assembly's charge to develop a continuing education program (83-14).

Recommendations (Detailed)

RECOMMENDATION 46-35

The Ministerial Vocation Committee recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve the following Endorsement Policy to supersede the *Acts of Assembly* 20-10.

"The General Assembly and its permanent committees may deem it wise to recommend agencies and resources to its churches as valuable aids for their ministries. These recommended agencies and resources shall be evaluated on the following criteria:

- They assist EPC churches or leaders in pursuing our stated mission and vision.
- They are consistent with our evangelical and Reformed beliefs.

Recommended agencies may be included on the denominational website or in other communications. Permanent committees may add annotations to their recommendations, which will be included on the denominational website or in other communications. Permanent

committees will establish biennial review procedures for agencies and resources they have recommended to ensure that they continue to meet the criteria above. In cases in which Assembly committees find that reviewed resources do not continue to meet the criteria, they shall report the removal of their recommendation, noting specific shortcomings."

Rational:

This recommendation eliminates specified categorization in the evaluation of Endorsed agencies, printed and electronic resources.

Committee Members

Chris Curtis (Chairman)
TE, Presbytery of the Rivers and Lakes

Richard Gash
RE, Presbytery of the Alleghenies

Doug Resler
TE, Presbytery of the West

Scott Sealy
TE, Presbytery of the Central South

Charlie Youther
RE, Presbytery of the Midwest

Joseph Sleslinski
RE, Presbytery of the East

Meeting Dates

July 16, 2025: Video Conference
September 16-18, 2025: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, Florida)
December 11, 2025: Video Conference
December 15, 2025: Video Conference
March 3-5, 2026: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, Florida)
April 13, 2026: Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Curtis, Chairman
June 2026

MODERATOR'S REPORT

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-moderator/

The Moderator reports to the 45th General Assembly on his work during 2025-2026.

Summary of Work

Greetings to you in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ!

This year as your 45th GA moderator has been the vocational privilege of a lifetime, as well as one filled with the many joys and challenges in our denomination.

In the Fall, I was able to attend a few presbytery meetings and greet many friends old and new. Given that I'm a teaching elder and rooted in my local church, traveling to other presbyteries is a rare treat, and I always get to learn more about how different presbyteries do things differently, taking a few best practices with me as I return home. Thank you for the hospitality that many of you have shown me.

As a National Leadership Team participant, I led a few task forces to research a few items. One task force, made up of NLT members and OGA staffers, was designed to aid our Executive Director of BRI Carolee Richendollar, as we brainstormed different potential solutions to bring benefits costs down or increase enrollment in the plan. Another task force, made up of EPC teaching and ruling elders with a counseling background, was designed to aid the Task Force on the Book of Discipline as we researched the topic of abuse, and offered a potential definition pending GA approval from an NLT recommendation.

In October, I traveled with Stated Clerk Dean Weaver and Chief Financial Officer Pat Coelho to the Pacific Northwest at Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church where we met with several church leaders in the Pacific Northwest presbytery to discuss and agree to ideas on how we can improve our financial reporting in the EPC. The fruit of that meeting was our joint statement found here.

In November, I got to jump in on some Zoom sessions with your presbytery stated clerks. These stated clerks have immense and diverse responsibilities, as well as a deep love for the EPC. In many ways, they are the 'engine' of what gets done at a regional level in our denomination, and I am impressed by the scope of what they do.

In January, I had the great privilege to co-lead our annual presbytery moderators training and meeting at the OGA in Orlando. Meeting with your presbytery moderators was truly one of the highlights of my year, as I continue to learn so much about the entire EPC when I participate more in 'wide-angle lens' meetings like that. Plus, given my own detailed study of Robert's Rules to become your GA moderator, it was nice to get to share some more of that arcane knowledge. I have learned that I enjoy 'how the presbyterian sausage gets made,' as a beloved colleague quipped to me last year.

While I listened to your presbytery moderators, one of the convictions I developed is that being a presbytery moderator is one of the more challenging jobs in the EPC: they are on the receiving end of much conflict and floor debates, while there is little remuneration or honor attached to it. So, if you think of it in the next year, thank your presbytery moderator personally. And even if you disagree with various rulings they've made regarding certain points of order, you should still add them to your prayer list.

In addition to that, my year was filled with routine NLT meetings, some meetings with various national committees, and regular meetings with your GA stated clerk Dean Weaver for mutual support and encouragement.

Now, the last thing I say here may be the most important. I have heard many GA moderators before me talk about a 'theme' that they wanted for their moderator year. Some moderators spent additional time personally mentoring other pastors. Other moderators spent their time spurring the NLT to take evangelism more seriously in the EPC. There have been many wonderful themes: right moderators for the right time in the EPC.

By mid-Fall of 2025, I think God had revealed to me what He wanted my 'theme' to be: prayer. For instance, in every meeting where people talked about strategy, the Lord led me to be the guy saying, 'Can we pray about that?' Or, similarly, I'd be the guy saying, 'Let's add that to our prayer list.' To really emphasize this even further, by December I had identified one person in all 16 presbyteries who would join me in my prayers for the EPC. From that moment, I sent a prayer list with specific EPC prayer requests every other week to that prayer group. Many of us fasted from meals while we prayed, as we leaned earnestly into our vows for the peace and purity of the EPC.

And so, may the Lord do with us as He wills. It has been a privilege to be your moderator. Thank you, with all sincerity.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Strunk, Moderator
45th General Assembly

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP TEAM

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-nlt/

The National Leadership Team (NLT) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Completed the GA Assigned task of digitizing all past GA minutes and making them available on the website.
2. Investigated Electronic Voting for the GA.
3. Reviewed the Location and Operations of the OGA.
4. Recommended the Budget, Special Projects and Minutes.
5. Celebrated our CFO Pat Coelho's tenth year of service to the EPC.

Recommendations

46-57: The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the FY27 Administrative Budget.

46-58: The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the FY27 Special Projects

46-59: The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE that the purchase of a new Data Management System "Site Stacker for the General Assembly be made available to all the courts of the church (at no additional charge), which expresses the unity and relatedness of all its parts as described in EPC. G. 20-1.

46-60: The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the recommendations of the Book of Discipline Task Force to amend the Book of Discipline.

46-62: The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve all ecclesiastical judicial procedures in process on the date the revised Book of Discipline is ratified. It shall continue to be processed under the provisions of the current (2026) Book of Discipline.

46-65: The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the 45th General Assembly Minutes.

Work of the Committee

The 45th GA directed the OGA to digitize the minutes from every General Assembly and make them available as a high priority. I appreciate the work that has resulted in this important task. Corporate authority is manifested in the EPC when a motion is proposed, discussed, and put to a vote. When it is recorded in the minutes, the church has spoken. Every commissioner to the General Assembly now has this excellent resource available to hear what the EPC has said for the last 45 years. In reading those minutes, you will likely see a consistent approach to the

challenges and opportunities in the EPC. I want to encourage my fellow commissioners to read these minutes.

One recurring challenge that you will discover is how we provide benefits to Pastors in the EPC. This is an area where we are truly "Better Together". The consistent message from my predecessors has been that we need every church to participate in Benefits Resources, Inc. The intention has always been to take care of those who labor within the EPC. The same can be said for POI giving to GA and churches supporting their Presbyteries financially. We are stronger and "Better Together". Percentage of Income continues to indicate that it is a more sustainable way to budget the finances. These items add to the ongoing conversation on what it means to be a part of the EPC.

One project that will help with our information at every Court is the Site Stacker proposal, as we seek to be more efficient. I appreciate the committees that do the work of the church. As you study the documents of the 46th GA, you will see the names of those who have done the work. Please join me in thanking them. Thanks to Greg Aydt, who led the work regarding 45-36 Electronic Voting. His committee has good recommendations for our voting methods.

The "Existential Threat" to the EPC remains the greatest threat to the church at large. Jesus spoke directly to us when he said: "… love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." I love serving in my local congregation, and I love participating in Gulf South Presbytery, where I am always moved hearing the powerful testimonies of candidates for ordination. It has been an honor to view the church from the General Assembly's vantage point of the larger body. I thank the TEs and REs who have encouraged and mentored me over the years to love the work of the church.

I would be remiss if I did not say how much I appreciate the churches that host our annual meeting. They allow us to bring the family of churches together, where worship is always the highlight. It is our privilege to encourage the "Next Gen" of servant leaders that God will bring forth to serve His church while they praise His Name! It has been a blessing to me to serve with you.

Sincerely,

Victor Jones
Chairman, NLT

Recommendations (Detailed)

RECOMMENDATION 46-57

The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the FY27 Administrative Budget.

RECOMMENDATION 46-58

The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the FY27 Special Projects.

RECOMMENDATION 46-59

The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE that the purchase of a new Data Management System, "Site Stacker for the General Assembly, be made available to all the courts of the church (at no additional charge), which expresses the unity and relatedness of all its parts as described in EPC. **G**. 20-1.

RECOMMENDATION 46-60

The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the recommendations of the Book of Discipline Task Force to amend the *Book of Discipline*.

RECOMMENDATION 46-62

The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve all ecclesiastical judicial procedures in process on the date the revised *Book of Discipline* is ratified. It shall continue to be processed under the provisions of the current (2026) *Book of Discipline*.

RECOMMENDATION 46-65

The National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the 45th General Assembly Minutes.

Committee Members

Victor Jones (Chairman)
RE, Presbytery of the Gulf South

Dave Strunk (Moderator)
TE, Presbytery of the Southeast

Jack Cathey (Moderator-elect)
RE, Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

Dean Weaver (Stated Clerk)
TE, Presbytery of the Alleghenies

George Hertensteiner
RE, Presbytery of the Great Plains

Julie Hawkins
TE, Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest

Linda McDaniel
RE, Presbytery of the Central South

Neil Smith
TE, Presbytery of the East

John Ivy
RE, Presbytery of the Central South

Joi Williams
RE, Presbytery of the Coastal Mid-Atlantic

Carolyn Poteet
TE, Presbytery of the Alleghenies

Greg Aydt
TE, Presbytery of the Central South

Chris Danusiar
RE, Presbytery of the Rivers and Lakes

Josh Hanson
TE, Presbytery of the Midwest

Rachel Toone-Pies
TE, Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

Eric Shipton
TE, Presbytery of the New River

Meeting Dates

August 12-14, 2025: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, Florida)
October 9, 2025: Video Conference
January 13-14, 2026: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, Florida)
April 8, 2026: Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,

Victor Jones, Chairman
June 2026

NEXT GENERATION MINISTRY COUNCIL

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-next-generation-ministries-council/

The Next Generation Ministries Council (NGC) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. The Next Generation Ministries Council worked to clarify the purpose of the work of the council, in order to bring clarity across the denomination at both the General Assembly level as well as the Presbytery level.
2. We hosted 70 Next Gen Workers at our NextGen Summit at Hope Church in Memphis, Tennessee to accomplish the above task.

Recommendations

The Next Generation Ministries Council has no recommendations for the 46th General Assembly.

Work of the Committee

CLARITY OF PURPOSE

The Council sought to clarify its purpose by drawing on the 2017 General Assembly instructions — which called for the Council to "equip, encourage, and shepherd church leaders to evangelize and disciple the next generation (birth through young adults)" — as well as its historical work of networking, training, resourcing, and connecting non-ordained workers. From this, the Council identified three core goals: Encourage, Connect, and Equip.

- Encourage workers — both paid staff and volunteers — by affirming the value and importance of their work.
- Connect workers by fostering relationships nationally through the Summit and locally at the Presbytery level.
- Equip workers by providing practical resources through presbyteries, including discipleship plans, child protection policies, and other affordable tools.

NEXTGEN LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

The Council planned and hosted its annual Leadership Summit at Hope Church in Memphis, Tennessee, welcoming 70 NextGen ministry workers from across 12 Presbyteries. A central aim of the Summit is to provide space for genuine connection and renewal — accomplished through worship, engaging and practical equipping sessions, and informal fellowship where both new and longtime friends could share ideas and encourage one another.

The opportunity to gather with friends and co-laborers is deeply rooted in who we are as Presbyterians, and it is a particular gift to extend this connectionalism to the realm of NextGen

ministry. Many who serve in this space do so in non-ordained roles, without the broader presbytery support that TEs and REs regularly benefit from. The Summit offers a meaningful way to fill that gap.

We are deeply grateful to the Presbyteries who invested in sending their workers to the Summit. In doing so, they are not only supporting the individuals who serve on the front lines of NextGen ministry — they are investing in the future of the church itself.

Recommendations (Detailed)

The Next Generation Ministries Council has no recommendations for the 46th General Assembly.

Committee Members

Dan Kish (Co-Chairman)
TE, Presbytery of the Central South

Stephanie Poblenz (Co-Chairman)
TE, Presbytery of the Midwest

Meagan Kroeker
TE, Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest

Cole Lescher
TE, Presbytery of Mid-America

Ian Johnston
TE, Presbytery of the Great Plains

Faith Hampton
Presbytery of the Central South

SirGregory Thornton
TE, Presbytery of the Central South

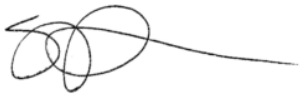
Chrishon Ducker
TE, Presbytery of the Coastal Mid-Atlantic

Meeting Dates

October 1-2, 2025: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, Florida)
February 12, 2026: Video Conference
April 23, 2026: Hope Church, Memphis, TN

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Kish, Co-Chairman
June 2026



Stephanie Poblenz, Co-Chairman
June 2026

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-nominating/

The Nominating Committee (NOM) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Nomination of Moderator and Moderator-elect for 46th General Assembly.
2. Review committee vacancies.
3. Nominations for permanent committees, boards, and GA standing committees.
4. Follow-up on finalizing slate of nominees.

Recommendations

46-01: That the 46th General Assembly elect RE Jack Cathey as Moderator of the 46th General Assembly.

46-02: That the 46th General Assembly elect TE Joshua Brown as Moderator-Elect of the 46th General Assembly.

46-06: That the 46th General Assembly elect the slates of nominees for the 46th General Assembly Permanent Committees, Standing Committees, and Boards.

Work of the Committee

The Nominating Committee works throughout the year between General Assembly meetings seeking to discern the Lord's will for each of our Committees and to encourage members of each Presbytery to apply for permanent committee positions.

The Committee met on August 28, 2025 via video conference to orient new members of the committee to our tasks, to review known upcoming committee vacancies, and to encourage all Committee members to begin working prior to fall presbytery meetings to identify qualified candidates for Class of 2029 and other vacancies should such arise.

The committee met again on March 5, 2026, via video conference to review committee vacancies and work on filling the slate to present to the 46th General Assembly.

Some remaining nominees were contacted in the weeks and months following our March 5th meeting and submitted the proper paperwork after this meeting, leading to the final nominations being voted upon by email on April 28-29 and May 20-21, 2026. Standing Committee nominations were voted upon by email May 27-28, 2026.

Members of the Nominating Committee would like to offer a special thank-you to the staff of the Office of the General Assembly for their invaluable support, detailed work and guidance.

Recommendations (Detailed)

RECOMMENDATION 46-01

Nominee for Moderator of the 46th General Assembly
Jack Cathey
RE, Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

Jack Cathey is a Ruling Elder at Lake Forest Church in Huntersville, NC, where he and his wife Anne have been involved as founding members. Jack and Anne have two adult married children who reside in the greater Charlotte area. Jack is a graduate of Wake Forest University, where he completed his undergraduate degree in accounting. He also graduated from Virginia Tech, where he earned both a Master's and Doctoral degrees in accounting. After graduate school, Jack joined the faculty of the Turner School of Accountancy at the University of North Carolina, where he has been a member of the faculty for the past 36 years.

Jack grew up in a Christian home and committed his life to Christ at Windy Gap (a Young Life Camp) in 1975. Jack was first called and elected to serve as a Ruling Elder at Forest Hill Church in Charlotte, NC. During a time of significant growth, the Forest Hill Session voted to begin church planting. Jack voted in favor of this motion, and much to his surprise, he found himself in a skating rink in Huntersville, NC, stacking chairs two years later. Being a part of starting and establishing Lake Forest has been a very fulfilling experience. He has served on the active session many times and has been a part of many search committees that hired staff as the church grew.

When the Lake Forest Session felt the time was right to begin their own church planting work, Jack was appointed as a co-leader of the Church Multiplication Commission along with Teaching Elder Mike Moses. To date, Lake Forest has planted five new churches, including Storyhill Church, Lake Forest Westlake, Lake Forest El Buen Samaritano (a Spanish-speaking plant), Lake Forest UCity (a multi-ethnic plant), and Lake Forest Cabarrus.

For the past 12 years, Jack has served as a member of the EPC's National Church Planting Team. He has focused on helping the team organize its work and develop a national approach for church planting, including the work of the National Director and the Regional Directors. He has also been a part of planning and attending the annual EPC Church Planter's Retreat.

RECOMMENDATION 46-02

Nominee for Moderator-elect of the 46th General Assembly
Joshua Brown
TE, Presbytery of the Alleghenies

For the past twelve years, Josh has served as the Lead Pastor at Bellefield Presbyterian Church, located in the heart of the university and medical communities of Pittsburgh. He works closely with CCO student ministries at the University of Pittsburgh, Chatham University, Carnegie

Mellon University, and Duquesne University Law School. Josh is also a board member of PRISM (Pittsburgh Region International Student Ministries) and engages regularly with their work. He is a past Moderator and the current Chair of the Ministerial Committee of the Presbytery of the Alleghenies. Josh leads Directed Studies in Reformed Theology at Trinity Anglican Seminary, and his ongoing doctoral work is focused on workplace theology, ethics, and leadership.

A fifth-generation Pittsburgher, Josh grew up in the church and comes from a long line of Presbyterian pastors and elders. He and his wife, Bethany, met while doing missions work in Jamaica together during their time as students at Penn State University. After graduation, Josh taught English in Sichuan, China, before he and Bethany were married—at which point they moved to Boston and both began their studies at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. Though initially interested in overseas biblical translation, they soon discerned the Lord's call to local congregational ministry. Following seminary, Josh served as the Pastor at Bethel Presbyterian Church in Washington, PA, for six years, before being called to serve at Bellefield.

When Josh isn't preaching, leading, or engaging in collaborative community outreach, he's probably reading, running, mountain biking, or hanging out with his wife, sons (Malcolm and Jameson), and Bernese Mountain Dog (Big Papi).

RECOMMENDATION 46-06

The Slate of Nominations—Permanent Committees and Boards. Some nominees had not confirmed acceptance of their nomination at press time and will be announced at the 46th General Assembly. Note: ^second term; *pending Session or Presbytery endorsement; +expansion slot pending approval of the 46th General Assembly.

Benefit Resources, Inc., Board of Directors

Class of 2028	TBD	
Class of 2029	RE Michael Busch^	Alleghenies
Class of 2029	RE Bill Overcast^	Central South
Class of 2029	Scott Cathy^	East

Chaplains' Work and Care Committee

Class of 2029	RE Kendra Bowers^	Central South
Class of 2029	TE Jennifer Cooper	Central Carolinas
Class of 2029	TE David Snyder	Midwest

Disaster Relief Committee

Class of 2029	TE Whitney Alexander^	Gulf South
Class of 2029	RE Efrain Sanchez Crespo	Florida and the Caribbean
Class of 2029	Toni Harris^	Central South

Fraternal Relations Committee

Class of 2029	TE Julien de Leiris	Great Plains
Class of 2029	RE Josh Shelley^	Central South
Class of 2029	TBD	

Ministerial Vocation Committee

Class of 2029	TE Doug Ashley	West
Class of 2029	TE Joel Keen	Mid-America

National Leadership Team

Class of 2029	TE Greg Aydt^	Central South
Class of 2029	RE Chris Danusiar^	Rivers and Lakes
Class of 2029	TE Julie Hawkins^	Pacific Northwest
Class of 2029	RE Joi Williams^	Coastal Mid-Atlantic

Next Generation Ministries Council

Class of 2029	TE Chrishon Ducker^	Coastal Mid-Atlantic
Class of 2029	TE Dan Kish^	Central South
Class of 2029	Torie Smith	Great Plains

Permanent Judicial Commission

Class of 2029	TE Zach Hopkins^	Rivers and Lakes
Class of 2029	TE Barton Kimbro^	Central South
Class of 2029	RE Sean McKee	Great Plains

Presbytery Review Committee

Class of 2029	TE David Horner	Midwest
Class of 2029	RE Doris Houck	Florida and the Caribbean
Class of 2029	RE Geri McFall	Great Plains
Class of 2029	TE Dana Opp	Alleghenies

Theology Committee

Class of 2027	TE Todd Erickson	Central South
Class of 2028	TE Ben Ray	Great Plains
Class of 2029	RE David Buschart^	West
Class of 2029	TE Aaron White	Midwest

World Outreach Committee

Class of 2027	Adam Reasner*+	Midwest
Class of 2027	RE David Van Valkenburg+	West
Class of 2029	TE Ken Ferguson	Pacific Southwest
Class of 2029	RE Chris Hallam+	Pacific Northwest
Class of 2029	April Hubbard	Coastal Mid-Atlantic
Class of 2029	RE Cindy Zimmerman	Florida and the Caribbean

Committee Members

Michael Goolsby (Chairman)
TE, Presbytery of the Great Plains

James Bandstra
RE, Presbytery of the Alleghenies

Robert Howard
TE, Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

Richard Swedberg
RE, Presbytery of the West

Shane Whelan
TE, Presbytery of the New River

Ron Meyer
TE, Presbytery of the East

Bob Vincent
TE, Presbytery of the Gulf South

SJ Winter
TE, Presbytery of the Midwest

Christine Deane
RE, Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest

Tommy Jordan
TE, Presbytery of the Southeast

Nick Welch
TE, Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest

Rob Liddon
RE, Presbytery of the Central South

Stacy Miller
TE, Presbytery of the Coastal Mid-Atlantic

Juan Rivera
TE, Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean

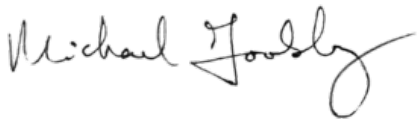
Ann Weston
RE, Presbytery of Mid-America

Kelli Marks
RE, Presbytery of the Rivers and Lakes

Meeting Dates

August 28, 2025: Video Conference
March 5, 2026: Video Conference
April 28-29, 2026: Email Vote Communication
May 20-21, 2026: Email Vote Communication
May 27-28, 2026: Email Vote Communication

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Goolsby, Chairman
June 2026

PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION

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The Permanent Judicial Commission (PJC) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Served the General Assembly of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church according to the authorities and responsibilities enumerated in the *Book of Government* 21-3.D.
2. Reviewed Presbytery of the Rivers & Lakes Overture to Amend **G**.5-10.
3. Reviewed Presbytery of the Rivers & Lakes Overture to Amend **G**.9-5.
4. Reviewed Presbytery of the Rivers & Lakes Overture to Amend **G**.19-3.
5. Reviewed the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest Overture to amend **G**.9-3A.
6. Reviewed recommendations from the Ad-Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards, proposing amendments to **G**.9-3A, **G**.9-3B, **G**.12-2B, **G**.12-3A, **G**.12-3B, and **G**.12-6.
7. The PJC reviewed the Presbytery of the West Overture to Amend **G**.9-3A.
8. Reviewed the Central Carolinas Presbytery Overture to Amend **G**.9-3A.
9. Reviewed the Florida and Caribbean Presbytery Overture to Amend **G**.9-3A.
10. Reviewed the Florida and Caribbean Presbytery Overture to Amend **G**.12-2C.
11. Reviewed the New River Presbytery Overture to Amend **G**.9-3A.
12. Reviewed the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards recommendations to amend Chapters 11 and 12 of the *Book of Government.*
13. Reviewed the National Leadership Team recommendations to amend in full the *Book of Discipline.*
14. Adjudicated the complaint of The Session of New Albany Presbyterian Church v. Presbytery of the Alleghenies, finding the complaint stated grounds upon which relief may be granted, and sustaining the complaint in part and granting certain relief.
15. Adjudicated Robert McClelland, TE, v. Presbytery of the Central Carolinas. The PJC found that the complaint stated a basis for relief. The parties thereafter settled.

Recommendations

46-13: On the recommendations from the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards, proposing amendments to **G.** 11-2.G of the *Book of Government*, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the amendments, having found that the proposal satisfies the requirements of clarity and consistency of language, and compatibility with the EPC Constitution. The PJC has prepared a Report on its findings, included herein.

46-15: On the recommendations from the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards, proposing amendments to **G.** 11-2.H of the *Book of Government*, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly

APPROVE the amendments, having found that the proposal satisfies the requirements of clarity and consistency of language, and compatibility with the EPC Constitution. The PJC has prepared a Report on its findings, included herein.

46-17: On the recommendations from the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards, proposing amendments to **G**. 12-2 of the *Book of Governmen*t, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the amendments, having found that the proposal satisfies the requirements of clarity and consistency of language, and compatibility with the EPC Constitution. The PJC has prepared a Report on its findings, included herein.

46-29: On the recommendations from the Ad-Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards, proposing amendments to **G**.9-3A, **G**.9-3B, **G**.12-2B, **G**.12-3A, **G**.12-3B, and **G**.12-6, the Permanent Judicial Commission found that the proposals satisfy the standard for Clarity (7-2), Consistency (8-1), and Compatibility (8-1). The PJC has prepared a report on its findings, included herein. The Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly consider its reported findings in deciding whether to accept or decline the amendments.

46-37: On the Overture from the Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean, to amend **G**.12-2C, the Permanent Judicial Commission recommends that the 46th General Assembly answer the Overture with reference to the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards, which, among other things, has also proposed to amend **G**.12-2. The PJC has prepared a Report on its findings, included herein.

46-39: On the Overture from the Presbytery of Rivers and Lakes, to amend **G**.9-5, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the revisions to **G**.9-5, having found that the proposal satisfies the requirements of clarity and consistency of language, and compatibility with the EPC Constitution. The PJC has prepared a Report on its findings, included herein.

46-40: On the Overture from the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest to amend **G**.9-3A, in conducting its 3-C analysis, the PJC found that the proposal satisfies the criteria for clarity by a vote of 4-3-1, did not satisfy the criteria for consistency of language by a vote of 5-3, and that it did not satisfy the compatibility requirement by a vote of 5-3. The PJC has prepared a Report on its findings, included herein, along with a Minority Report. Additional Concurring Opinions were submitted and are included. The Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly consider its reported findings in deciding whether to accept or decline the Overture.

46-42: On the Overture from the Presbytery of Central Carolinas to amend **G**.9-3A, which was identical in wording to the Overture from the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest, the PJC found the proposal to be answered by the PJC's Report regarding the Pacific Northwest Overture. A

separate Report was issued, included herein, with the Minority Report from the Pacific Northwest Overture being incorporated by reference. The Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly consider its reported findings regarding the Pacific Northwest Overture in deciding whether to accept or decline the Overture.

46-44: On the Overture from the Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean to amend **G**.9-3A, which was identical in wording to the Overture from the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest, the PJC found the proposal to be answered by the PJC's Report regarding the Pacific Northwest Overture. A separate Report was issued, included herein, with the Minority Report from the Pacific Northwest Overture being incorporated by reference. The Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly consider its reported findings regarding the Pacific Northwest Overture in deciding whether to accept or decline the Overture.

46-46: On the Overture from the Presbytery of New River to amend **G**.9-3A, which was identical in wording to the Overture from the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest, the PJC found the proposal to be answered by the PJC's Report regarding the Pacific Northwest Overture. A separate Report was issued, included herein, with the Minority Report from the Pacific Northwest Overture being incorporated by reference. The Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly consider its reported findings regarding the Pacific Northwest Overture in deciding whether to accept or decline the Overture.

46-48: On the Overture from the Presbytery of the West to amend **G**.9-3A, the Permanent Judicial Commission found that the proposal satisfied the standard of Clarity (8-1), but did not satisfy the standards of Consistency (5-4) or Compatibility (5-4). The PJC has prepared a Report on its findings, included herein. Given the similarities between the Overtures from the Presbyteries of the West and the Pacific Northwest, the PJC Minority Report is incorporated herein by reference. The Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly consider its reported findings in deciding whether to accept or decline the Overture.

46-51: On the Overture from the Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean to adjust boundaries to include Spain, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the adjustment of boundaries to include Spain.

46-53: On the Overture from the Presbytery of Rivers and Lakes to amend **G**.5-10, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the revisions to **G**.5-10, having found that the proposal satisfies the requirements of clarity and consistency of language, and compatibility with the EPC Constitution. The PJC has prepared a Report on its findings, included herein.

46-55: On the Overture from the Presbytery of Rivers and Lakes to amend **G**.19-3, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the revisions to **G**.19-3, having found that the proposal satisfies the requirements of clarity and consistency of language, and compatibility with the EPC Constitution. The PJC has prepared a Report on its findings, included herein.

46-61: On the recommendations from the National Leadership Team, proposing restatement of the Book of Discipline, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the amendments, having found that the proposal satisfies the requirements of clarity and consistency of language, and compatibility with the EPC Constitution. The PJC has prepared a Report on its findings, included herein.

46-68: Regarding The Session of New Albany Presbyterian Church vs. Presbytery of the Alleghenies, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly SUSTAIN (a) the PJC's determination that the complaint stated grounds upon which relief may be granted and (b) the grant of relief set forth in the PJC's Order dated January 15, 2026.

46-69: Regarding Robert McClelland, TE, vs. Presbytery of Central Carolinas, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly SUSTAIN (a) the PJC's determination that the complaint stated grounds upon which relief may be granted and (b) the grant of relief set forth in the PJC's Order dated December 30, 2025.

Work of the Committee

CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS

The Permanent Judicial Commission convened to examine all overtures and recommendations from Presbyteries, permanent committees, and ad-interim committees that potentially amend the Constitution for clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, with the objective of presenting its recommendations to the General Assembly (G.21-3D.2.a-b).

The Permanent Judicial Commission prepared detailed reports and analyses regarding its 3-C review of the Overtures and Recommendations, which are appended herein.

JUDICIAL MATTERS

The Session of New Albany Presbyterian Church v. Presbytery of the Alleghenies

This matter pertained to procedural irregularities regarding the presentation of an Overture for consideration at the Presbytery. The facts of the matter are complex and detailed and concern the manner in which an overture is to be considered for discussion given the Presbytery's practice of first and second readings. The Overture was acknowledged to be in order, but a vote was held as to whether to place the matter on the docket, and the motion failed. As a result, the Overture was

apparently not taken up at the meeting of the Presbytery based on reliance on the so-called Gentleman's Agreement of GA 44-43. All parties recognized that the Gentleman's Agreement was not enforceable. The Commission sustained the Complaint in part and directed Respondent to place the Overture on the agenda for consideration, including opportunity for debate and vote, at Respondent's February 14, 2026 meeting. The relief granted was based solely on the facts of the record, namely that the Overture was acknowledged to be in order, yet was not taken up for consideration based on reliance on GA 44-43. The PJC's Order dated January 15, 2026, and a Concurrence are appended hereto for full reference.

Robert McClelland, TE, v Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

The PJC conducted its D.14-8A analysis as to whether the Complaint stated grounds upon which relief may be granted and found that it did. The Complaint alleged that Respondent Presbytery authorized mediation pursuant to the Book of Discipline and that the parties thereafter reached a mediated settlement agreement disposing of pending charges. It further alleged that Respondent Presbytery, acting through its judicial commission, declined to give effect to that settlement for reasons other than constitutional noncompliance, and also declined to review a modified settlement agreement entered into between the underlying parties (Complainant and Respondent's Prosecutor), instead insisting that the matter proceed to trial. The PJC directed Respondent Presbytery to respond to the Complaint. The parties thereafter settled. The PJC's Order dated December 30, 2025, is appended herein for full reference.

Recommendations (Detailed)

RECOMMENDATION 46-13

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards (the "***AIC***") has submitted to the 46th General Assembly certain proposed amendments to Sections 11-2G and 12-2 of the *Book of Government,* as well as the addition of a new Section 11-2H of the *Book of Government*, together with conforming re-numbering of subsequent sections (collectively, the "***AIC Amendments***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") subsequently examined the AIC Amendments for clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.[1]

The PJC understands the categories "clarity," "consistency," and "compatibility" to have particular meanings. *Clarity* asks whether the language of the amendment is sufficiently precise that a reasonably informed reader of the Constitution could determine what the provision requires, permits, or forbids without reference to the debate that produced it. *Consistency* examines whether

[1] The PJC's task was limited. We did not determine the wisdom, necessity, or pastoral desirability of the AIC Amendments, but rather evaluated whether the proposed language is prepared for integration into the Constitution. Our evaluation of the "three-C" criteria helps the General Assembly determine whether the AIC Amendments are constitutionally serviceable in their present form, apart from the merits of the proposals themselves.

the amendment employs language in a manner consistent with the vocabulary, terminology, and logic used in the Constitution and within the amendment itself. *Compatibility* asks whether the amendment integrates coherently into the broader constitutional framework without creating conflict with other provisions or with the structure of the Constitution as a whole.

After due consideration, the PJC determined as follows regarding the AIC Amendments:

Question Presented	PJC Determination
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of clarity of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of consistency of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of compatibility with other provisions of the EPC Constitution?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.

Accordingly, the PJC respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the General Assembly accept and adopt the AIC Amendments.

RECOMMENDATION 46-15

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards (the "***AIC***") has submitted to the 46th General Assembly certain proposed amendments to Sections 11-2G and 12-2 of the *Book of Government,* as well as the addition of a new Section 11-2H of the *Book of Government*, together with conforming re-numbering of subsequent sections (collectively, the "***AIC Amendments***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") subsequently examined the AIC Amendments for clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.[2]

The PJC understands the categories "clarity," "consistency," and "compatibility" to have particular meanings. *Clarity* asks whether the language of the amendment is sufficiently precise that a reasonably informed reader of the Constitution could determine what the provision requires, permits, or forbids without reference to the debate that produced it. *Consistency* examines whether the amendment employs language in a manner consistent with the vocabulary, terminology, and logic used in the Constitution and within the amendment itself. *Compatibility* asks whether the

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After due consideration, the PJC determined as follows regarding the AIC Amendments:

Question Presented	PJC Determination
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of clarity of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of consistency of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of compatibility with other provisions of the EPC Constitution?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.

Accordingly, the PJC respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the General Assembly accept and adopt the AIC Amendments.

RECOMMENDATION 46-17

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards (the "***AIC***") has submitted to the 46th General Assembly certain proposed amendments to Sections 11-2G and 12-2 of the *Book of Government,* as well as the addition of a new Section 11-2H of the *Book of Government*, together with conforming re-numbering of subsequent sections (collectively, the "***AIC Amendments***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") subsequently examined the AIC Amendments for clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.[3]

The PJC understands the categories "clarity," "consistency," and "compatibility" to have particular meanings. *Clarity* asks whether the language of the amendment is sufficiently precise that a reasonably informed reader of the Constitution could determine what the provision requires, permits, or forbids without reference to the debate that produced it. *Consistency* examines whether the amendment employs language in a manner consistent with the vocabulary, terminology, and logic used in the Constitution and within the amendment itself. *Compatibility* asks whether the amendment integrates coherently into the broader constitutional framework without creating conflict with other provisions or with the structure of the Constitution as a whole.

[3] The PJC's task was limited. We did not determine the wisdom, necessity, or pastoral desirability of the AIC Amendments, but rather evaluated whether the proposed language is prepared for integration into the Constitution. Our evaluation of the "three-C" criteria helps the General Assembly determine whether the AIC Amendments are constitutionally serviceable in their present form, apart from the merits of the proposals themselves.

After due consideration, the PJC determined as follows regarding the AIC Amendments:

Question Presented	PJC Determination
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of clarity of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of consistency of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of compatibility with other provisions of the EPC Constitution?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.

Accordingly, the PJC respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the General Assembly accept and adopt the AIC Amendments.

RECOMMENDATION 46-29

The Ad-Interim Committee on Same-Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards (the "***AIC***") has submitted to the 46th General Assembly certain proposed amendments to Sections 9-3A, 9-3B, 12-2.B, 12-3A, 12-3B.1, and 12-6 of the *Book of Government* (collectively, the "***AIC Amendments***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") subsequently examined the AIC Amendments for clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.

The PJC understands the categories "clarity," "consistency," and "compatibility" to have particular meanings. *Clarity* asks whether the language of the amendment is sufficiently precise that a reasonably informed reader of the Constitution could determine what the provision requires, permits, or forbids without reference to the debate that produced it.[4] *Consistency* examines whether the amendment employs language in a manner consistent with the vocabulary, terminology, and logic used in the Constitution and within the amendment itself. *Compatibility* asks whether the amendment integrates coherently into the broader constitutional framework without creating conflict with other provisions or with the structure of the Constitution as a whole.

After due consideration, the PJC determined as follows regarding the AIC Amendments:

[4] In many instances, constitutional language is designed to confer discretion on church courts. In such cases, a provision does not fail the clarity test merely because it allows a range of outcomes, since the granting of discretion is the very function the text is intended to serve. The clarity concern arises only where the language does not make clear, in the mind of a reasonably informed reader, the scope or object of that discretion.

Question Presented	PJC Determination
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of clarity of language?	Yes. Vote: 7-2.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of consistency of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-1.[5]
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of compatibility with other provisions of the EPC Constitution?	Yes. Vote: 8-1.

The PJC's task was limited. We did not determine the wisdom, necessity, or pastoral desirability of the AIC Amendments, but rather evaluated whether the proposed language is prepared for integration into the Constitution. Our evaluation of the "three-C" criteria helps the General Assembly determine whether the AIC Amendments are constitutionally serviceable in their present form, apart from the merits of the proposals themselves.

This constitutes our report and recommendation to the General Assembly.[6]

I. Clarity

The AIC Amendments address the life and character of church officers and the examination of candidates for office. In doing so, they employ language drawn from familiar biblical and confessional categories, including chastity, sexual purity, repentance, mortification of sin, and progressive sanctification, as reflected in the Westminster Standards.

Some members of the PJC noted that certain phrasing in the proposal may allow for differing interpretations if read in isolation. Moreover, the requirement that officers conform to biblical standards "*in their descriptions of themselves, their convictions, character, and conduct*" is not presently used elsewhere in the Constitution. Similarly, expressions such as "*faithful conformity to his character*" and "*steady progress in spiritual growth*" are not reducible to precise measurement.

The question, however, is not whether each phrase could be further refined, but whether the language, taken as a whole, provides sufficient guidance for those charged with its application. The proposal operates primarily as a framework for examination rather than as a bright-line qualifying or disqualifying rule.

[5] The PJC vote on "consistency of language" was contingent on certain non-substantive conforming changes being made to the text, which changes were subsequently approved and incorporated by the AIC in its final report.
[6] See G.21-3D.2.b.

The AIC Amendments direct attention to categories already familiar within the Constitution and the church's confessional standards. The Constitution itself requires that candidates for office be examined and approved prior to installation (G.12). This reflects an established process in which presbyteries evaluate doctrine, manner of life, and fitness for office.

It is also significant that the AIC Amendments direct attention to how a candidate speaks of himself or herself *("officers must conform to the biblical requirement of chastity and sexual purity… in their descriptions of themselves")* and of his or her beliefs ("*they must affirm the sinfulness of fallen desires, the reality and hope of progressive sanctification, and be committed to the pursuit of Spirit-empowered victory over their sinful temptations, inclinations, and actions").* The AIC language largely avoids the difficulty of discerning internal or subjective states by focusing on matters that are outwardly expressed and capable of examination.

To the extent questions may arise in application, the PJC believes those questions fall within the ordinary exercise of ecclesiastical judgment rather than indicating a failure of clarity in the text itself. Read as a whole, the proposal provides sufficient guidance for evaluating candidates for office.

The AIC Amendments therefore satisfy the requirement of "clarity of language."

II. Consistency

The AIC Amendments introduce phrasing not presently found in the Constitution, including references to "*descriptions of themselves*," "*faithful conformity to his character*," "*obedience to him as Lord*," and "*steady progress in spiritual growth*." However, the introduction of new language is not itself a defect. The General Assembly is entitled to develop and refine the Constitution over time.

The AIC Amendments also fit neatly within the Constitution's established framework for the examination of candidates. That framework focuses on doctrine, manner of life, and fitness for office. Those provisions already require the applicable court to "*assure itself of the competency of the individual being ordained to serve*" and to examine the candidate not only in doctrine but also in the "*Christian experience of the saving grace of God*," prior to approval and installation.[7]

In addition, the AIC Amendments are appropriately distributed across the sections of the *Book of Government* corresponding to the offices and processes addressed, rather than concentrated in a single provision. This approach is consistent with the structure and logic of the Constitution.

Finally, the AIC Amendments do not appear to create internal inconsistency within their provisions.

[7] G.12-1; G.12-2.B.

For the reasons stated above, the AIC Amendments satisfy the requirement of "consistency of language."

III. Compatibility

The AIC Amendments integrate the church's teaching on human sexuality within the framework of the Westminster Standards, including the doctrine of sanctification and the teaching of the Larger Catechism on the Seventh Commandment, which identifies both conduct and desires contrary to biblical sexual ethics as sinful.

At the same time, the proposal reflects the confessional teaching regarding the ongoing presence of sin in the life of the believer. *Westminster Confession of Faith* 13.2 teaches that sanctification "*works in the whole person, but not completely or perfectly in this life*," and that "*the old sinful nature retains some of its control in body, mind, and spirit*," even as it is progressively weakened and mortified. The *Westminster Larger Catechism* similarly teaches that believers "*retain some remnants of sin throughout their whole being*" and are "*continually plagued with desires of their old sinful nature that are contrary to the spirit*."[8]

This pairing of a normative standard (i.e., the requirement of holiness) with the recognition of continuing sin is not a contradiction, but the ordinary Reformed articulation of sanctification: the law establishes the rule, while the doctrine of sanctification recognizes that believers do not attain that standard perfectly in this life.[9]

Within that framework, the AIC Amendments do not treat the mere presence of a sinful desire, without more, as disqualifying for office. Rather, they direct attention to the candidate's acknowledgment of sin, commitment to repentance, and manner of life in pursuing holiness. This approach aligns the evaluation of candidates with the confessional understanding.

The AIC Amendments do not conflict with other constitutional provisions governing the examination and qualification of officers, but supplement them by identifying areas of inquiry within the established doctrinal structure.

For these reasons, the majority concluded that the AIC Amendments satisfy the requirement of "compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution."

IV. Conclusion

The AIC Amendments satisfy the "three-C" requirements of clarity and consistency of language and compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

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[8] Westminster Larger Catechism 78.

[9] The confessional standards do not present these teachings in tension. Rather, they hold together both the requirement of purity in body, mind, and inclination (*Westminster Larger Catechism* 138 & *Westminster Larger Catechism* 77 & 78), which are to be repented of and mortified. (See also, e.g., Colossians 3:5.)

The Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the General Assembly consider these conclusions in determining whether to accept or decline the AIC Amendments.

RECOMMENDATION 46-37

The Florida and the Caribbean Presbytery overtured the 46th General Assembly to amend Section 12-2C of the *Book of Government* (the "***FCP 12-2 Overture***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") subsequently examined the proposed amendment for clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.

The PJC understands the categories "clarity," "consistency," and "compatibility" to have particular meanings. *Clarity* asks whether the language of the amendment is sufficiently precise that a reasonably informed reader of the Constitution could determine what the provision requires, permits, or forbids without reference to the debate that produced it. *Consistency* examines whether the amendment employs language in a manner consistent with the vocabulary, terminology, and logic used in the Constitution and within the amendment itself. *Compatibility* asks whether the amendment integrates coherently into the broader constitutional framework without creating conflict with other provisions or with the structure of the Constitution as a whole.

After due consideration,[10] the PJC determined as follows regarding the FCP 12-2 Overture:

Question Presented	PJC Determination
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of clarity of language?	Yes. Vote: 9-0.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of consistency of language?	Yes. Vote: 9-0.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of compatibility with other provisions of the EPC Constitution?	Yes. Vote: 9-0.

Accordingly, the PJC respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the General Assembly answer the FCP 12-2 Overture with reference to the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards, which, among other things, has also proposed to amend Section G.12-2C.

[10] The PJC's task was limited. We did not determine the wisdom, necessity, or pastoral desirability of the PRL 9-5 Overture, but rather evaluated whether the proposed language is prepared for integration into the Constitution. Our evaluation of the "three-C" criteria helps the General Assembly determine whether an amendment is constitutionally serviceable in their present form, apart from the merits of the proposals themselves.

RECOMMENDATION 46-39

The Rivers and Lakes Presbytery overtured the 46th General Assembly to amend Sections 9-5D and 9-5E of the Book of Government (the "***PRL 9-5 Overture***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") subsequently examined the proposed amendment for clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.

The PJC understands the categories "clarity," "consistency," and "compatibility" to have particular meanings. *Clarity* asks whether the language of the amendment is sufficiently precise that a reasonably informed reader of the Constitution could determine what the provision requires, permits, or forbids without reference to the debate that produced it.[11] *Consistency* examines whether the amendment employs language in a manner consistent with the vocabulary, terminology, and logic used in the Constitution and within the amendment itself. *Compatibility* asks whether the amendment integrates coherently into the broader constitutional framework without creating conflict with other provisions or with the structure of the Constitution as a whole.

After due consideration, the PJC determined as follows regarding the PRL 9-5 Overture:

Question Presented	PJC Determination
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of clarity of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of consistency of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of compatibility with other provisions of the EPC Constitution?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.

The Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully reports these findings to the 46th General Assembly and recommends that it accept and adopt the PRL 9-5 Overture.[12]

RECOMMENDATION 46-40

On the Overture from the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest to amend **G**.9-3A, in conducting its 3-C analysis, the PJC found that the proposal satisfies the criteria for clarity by a vote of 4-3-

[11] In many instances, constitutional language is designed to confer discretion on church courts. In such cases, a provision does not fail the clarity test merely because it allows a range of outcomes, since the granting of discretion is the very function the text is intended to serve. The clarity concern arises only where the language does not make clear, in the mind of a reasonably informed reader, the scope or object of that discretion.
[12] See G.21-3D.2.b.

1, did not satisfy the criteria for consistency of language by a vote of 5-3, and that it did not satisfy the compatibility requirement by a vote of 5-3. The PJC has prepared a Report on its findings, appended herein, along with a Minority Report. Additional Concurring Opinions were submitted and are included. The Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly consider its reported findings in deciding whether to accept or decline the Overture.

RECOMMENDATION 46-42

On January 31, 2026, the Central Carolinas Presbytery overtured the 46th General Assembly to amend Section 9-3A of the *Book of Government* (the "***PCC 9-3A Overture***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") examined the proposed amendment for clarity and consistency of language, and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.[13]

The PCC 9-3A Overture is identical to an overture from the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest (the "***PNW 9-3A Over***ture"), which the PJC previously reviewed. Accordingly, after due consideration, the PJC determined that its conclusions regarding the PNW 9-3A Overture apply to, and therefore answer, the PCC 9-3A Overture with respect to the required "three-C" analysis. The PCC 9-3A Overture satisfies the requirement of clarity of language, but fails to satisfy the requirements of consistency of language and compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution.[14]

For the reasons stated in our prior analysis of the PNW 9-3A Overture, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the General Assembly consider these conclusions in determining whether to accept or decline the PCC 9-3A Overture.

RECOMMENDATION 46-44

On February 21, 2026, the Florida and the Caribbean Presbytery overtured the 46th General Assembly to amend Section 9-3A of the *Book of Government* (the "***FCP 9-3A Overture***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") examined the proposed amendment for clarity and consistency of language, and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.[15]

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[13] The PJC's task was limited. We did not determine the wisdom, necessity, or pastoral desirability of the PCC 9 3A Overture, but rather evaluated whether the proposed language is prepared for integration into the Constitution. Our evaluation of the "three-C" criteria helps the General Assembly determine whether an amendment is constitutionally serviceable in their present form, apart from the merits of the proposals themselves.

[14] The PJC minority herein adopts and incorporates by reference the alternative analysis offered in the Minority Report for the PNW 9-3A Overture

[15] The PJC's task was limited. We did not determine the wisdom, necessity, or pastoral desirability of the FCP 9 3A Overture, but rather evaluated whether the proposed language is prepared for integration into the Constitution.

The FCP 9-3A Overture is identical to an overture from the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest (the "***PNW 9-3A Ove***rture"), which the PJC previously reviewed. Accordingly, after due consideration, the PJC determined that its conclusions regarding the PNW 9-3A Overture apply to, and therefore answer, the FCP 9-3A Overture with respect to the required "three-C" analysis. The FCP 9-3A Overture satisfies the requirement of clarity of language, but fails to satisfy the requirements of consistency of language and compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution.[16]

For the reasons stated in our prior analysis of the PNW 9-3A Overture, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the General Assembly consider these conclusions in determining whether to accept or decline the FCP 9-3A Overture.

RECOMMENDATION 46-46

On February 6, 2026, the New River Presbytery overtured the 46th General Assembly to amend Section 9-3A of the Book of Government (the "***NRP 9-3A Overture***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") examined the proposed amendment for clarity and consistency of language, and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.[17]

The NRP 9-3A Overture is identical to an overture from the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest (the "***PNW 9-3A Overture***"), which the PJC previously reviewed. Accordingly, after due consideration, the PJC determined that its conclusions regarding the PNW 9-3A Overture apply to, and therefore answer, the NRP 9-3A Overture with respect to the required "three-C" analysis. The NRP 9-3A Overture satisfies the requirement of clarity of language, but fails to satisfy the requirements of consistency of language and compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution.[18]

For the reasons stated in our prior analysis of the PNW 9-3A Overture, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the General Assembly consider these conclusions in determining whether to accept or decline the NRP 9-3A Overture.

RECOMMENDATION 46-48

Our evaluation of the "three-C" criteria helps the General Assembly determine whether an amendment is constitutionally serviceable in their present form, apart from the merits of the proposals themselves.

[16] The PJC minority herein adopts and incorporates by reference the alternative analysis offered in the Minority Report for the PNW 9-3A Overture.

[17] The PJC's task was limited. We did not determine the wisdom, necessity, or pastoral desirability of the NRP 9 3A Overture, but rather evaluated whether the proposed language is prepared for integration into the Constitution. Our evaluation of the "three-C" criteria helps the General Assembly determine whether an amendment is constitutionally serviceable in their present form, apart from the merits of the proposals themselves.

[18] The PJC minority herein adopts and incorporates by reference the alternative analysis offered in the Minority Report for the PNW 9-3A Overture.

On April 15, 2026, the Presbytery of the West overtured the 46th General Assembly to amend Section 9-3A of the *Book of Government* (the "***POW 9-3A Overture***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") examined the proposed amendment pursuant to Section G.21-3D.2.a.

The POW 9-3A Overture is substantially similar to the PNW 9-3A Overture, which the PJC previously reviewed. The PNW 9-3A Overture, which has become commonly known as the "redline" overture, and the instant POW 9-3A Overture differ in that the POW 9-3A eliminates the word "unnatural" as a modifier to "desires or affections," adds certain references to an explanatory footnote, and adds a second explanatory footnote acknowledging the possibility of a believer's success in putting to death same-sex attraction in this life.

The question presented is whether those revisions are sufficient to alter the conclusions we reached with respect to the PNW 9-3A Overture's clarity, consistency, and compatibility. They are not. Concerning the "three-Cs," the POW 9-3A Overture has the same strengths and deficiencies as the PNW 9-3A Overture.

Accordingly, after due consideration, the PJC determined as follows regarding the POW 9-3A Overture:

Question Presented	PJC Determination
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of clarity of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-1.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of consistency of language?	No. Vote: 5-4.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of compatibility with other provisions of the EPC Constitution?	No. Vote: 5-4.

The PJC's task was limited. We did not determine the wisdom, necessity, or pastoral desirability of the POW 9-3A Overture, but rather evaluated whether the proposed language is prepared for integration into the Constitution. Our evaluation of the "three-C" criteria helps the General Assembly determine whether an amendment, such as the POW 9-3A Overture, is constitutionally serviceable in its present form, apart from the merits of the proposal itself.

This constitutes our report and recommendation to the General Assembly.[19]

[19] See G.21-3D.2.b.

I. Relationship to Prior Analysis

The POW 9-3A Overture adopts an operative structure nearly identical to the PNW 9-3A Overture. It states:

> Those who profess, persist in, or identify with desires or affections … are disqualified from holding office in Christ's Church.

The only change to the operative provision is the removal of the adjective "unnatural," which appears after the word "with" and before the word "desires" in the PNW 9-3A Overture.

The other revisions offered by the Presbytery of the West are primarily explanatory in nature. In particular, the overture adds a footnote stating that:

> [R]epentant believers experiencing such desires are true believers and included in Christ's church. Likewise, by the redemption of Jesus Christ, such desires and the resulting disqualification may be removed in this life.

The PJC recognizes this addition as an effort to acknowledge the reality of progressive sanctification in the desires and affections of believers. The possibility of victory in Christ over a particular sin on this side of glory is not to be denied.

II. Clarity

The POW revisions do not materially alter the clarity analysis we undertook with the PNW 9-3A Overture, however. The operative terms of the provision remain materially unchanged, and the same considerations regarding the interpretation of "profess," "persist," and "identify" apply. Although these terms admit of some variability in interpretation, the PJC majority does not view this as fatal.

The language of the POW 9-3A Overture, taken as a whole, conveys a sufficiently definite meaning in context to permit examination of candidates by presbyteries and sessions. It directs attention to matters that may be explored through a candidate's words and reputation within the church's existing processes. Our church courts have a history of wisely applying constitutional text that admits of some variability, and there is every reason to continue to trust reasonably informed presbyters in faithfully doing so in the future.[20]

The POW 9-3A Overture therefore satisfies the requirement of "clarity of language."

[20] If a lower court errs by approving an inappropriate candidate for office, Chapter 14 of the *Book of Discipline* allows a concerned elder with standing the opportunity to file a complaint with a higher court and resolve the matter.

III. Consistency

The PJC previously concluded that the PNW 9-3A Overture is inconsistent with the logic of the Westminster Standards, particularly in its treatment of indwelling sin and progressive sanctification.

The Presbytery of the West revisions implicitly acknowledge those doctrines but do not integrate them into the operation of the proposed rule. The disqualification attaches to the mere presence of a category of desires (i.e., same-sex attraction), rather than to the candidate's response to sinful impulses in repentance and life.

In addition to being inconsistent with the logic of the Standards, the POW 9-3A Overture, like the PNW 9-3A Overture, introduces internally inconsistent terminology in its last sentence. If adopted by the General Assembly, G.9-3A would contain language erroneously suggesting that presbyteries "elect" Teaching Elders, Ruling Elders, and Deacons, and that congregations "elect" Teaching Elders.

For these reasons, the POW 9-3A Overture fails to satisfy the requirement of "consistency of language."

IV. Compatibility

Our prior analysis of the PNW 9-3A Overture's compatibility with the Constitution, including the Westminster Standards, applies to the POW 9-3A Overture, as well. In short, the Westminster Standards teach *both* that sinful desires must be put to death[21] *and* that the remnants of sin remain in every believer.[22] The Standards do not single out particular categories of indwelling sin and remove them from that framework. Because the Standards are subscribed by every elder and form part of the Constitution's doctrinal framework, proposed amendments to the Constitution must preserve both truths.[23]

V. Conclusion

The PJC recognizes and appreciates the effort of the Presbytery of the West to uphold the biblical sexual ethic and maintain the purity of Christ's church. The revisions made to the original redline overture reflect a desire to affirm both the seriousness of sin and the reality of progressive sanctification. Nevertheless, because those revisions do not alter the operative structure of the text, the conclusions previously reached by the PJC remain applicable.

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[21] See Westminster Larger Catechism 138 & 139

[22] See Westminster Confession of Faith 6.5 & 13.1-3; Westminster Larger Catechism 78 &79.

[23] See G.23-1B [stating that "[n]o changes may be made to the Book of Order, including any of its parts composed of the Book of Government, the Book of Discipline, and the Book of Worship, that would be contrary to the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms" (emphasis in the original removed)].

The POW 9-3A Overture satisfies the requirement of clarity of language, but fails to satisfy the requirements of consistency of language and compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution.[24] Accordingly, for the reasons stated above and in our prior analysis of the PNW 9-3A Overture, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the General Assembly consider these conclusions in determining whether to accept or decline the POW 9-3A Overture.

RECOMMENDATION 46-51

On the Overture from the Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean, to adjust boundaries to include Spain, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve the adjustment of boundaries to include Spain.

Rationale:

1. The Evangelical Presbyterian Church is a Global Movement that reaches beyond the boundaries of the United States.
2. The establishment of an EPC presence often begins with the reception of a single church from which other congregations or church plants originate. (Ex: our churches in The Bahamas and Puerto Rico)
3. There is currently no Reformed body in Spain that is similar in nature to the EPC.
4. The Presbytery of Florida & the Caribbean is the first fully bilingual presbytery which utilizes both electronic participation and live translation technology to accommodate members from different language groups.
5. The Presbytery has approved the reception of Iglesia Lapresbi in Malága Spain as the initial EPC presence in Spain which promises to be the first of many congregations in that nation.

RECOMMENDATION 46-53

The Rivers and Lakes Presbytery overtured the 46th General Assembly to amend Section 5-10A of the Book of Government (the "***PRL 5-10A Overture***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") subsequently examined the proposed amendment for clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.

The PJC understands the categories "clarity," "consistency," and "compatibility" to have particular meanings. *Clarity* asks whether the language of the amendment is sufficiently precise that a reasonably informed reader of the Constitution could determine what the provision

[24] The PJC minority herein adopts and incorporates by reference the alternative analysis offered in the Minority Report for the PNW 9-3A Overture.

requires, permits, or forbids without reference to the debate that produced it.[25] *Consistency* examines whether the amendment employs language in a manner consistent with the vocabulary, terminology, and logic used in the Constitution and within the amendment itself. *Compatibility* asks whether the amendment integrates coherently into the broader constitutional framework without creating conflict with other provisions or with the structure of the Constitution as a whole.

After due consideration, the PJC determined as follows regarding the PRL 5-10A Overture:

Question Presented	PJC Determination
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of clarity of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of consistency of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of compatibility with other provisions of the EPC Constitution?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.

The Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully reports these findings to the 46th General Assembly and recommends that it accept and adopt the PRL 5-10A Overture.[26]

RECOMMENDATION 46-55

The Rivers and Lakes Presbytery overtured the 46th General Assembly to amend Section 19-3 of the *Book of Government* (the "***PRL 19-3 Overture***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") subsequently examined the proposed amendment for clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.

The PJC understands the categories "clarity," "consistency," and "compatibility" to have particular meanings. *Clarity* asks whether the language of the amendment is sufficiently precise that a reasonably informed reader of the Constitution could determine what the provision requires, permits, or forbids without reference to the debate that produced it.[27] *Consistency*

[25] In many instances, constitutional language is designed to confer discretion on church courts. In such cases, a provision does not fail the clarity test merely because it allows a range of outcomes, since the granting of discretion is the very function the text is intended to serve. The clarity concern arises only where the language does not make clear, in the mind of a reasonably informed reader, the scope or object of that discretion.

[26] See G.21-3D.2.b.

[27] In many instances, constitutional language is designed to confer discretion on church courts. In such cases, a provision does not fail the clarity test merely because it allows a range of outcomes, since the granting of discretion is the very function the text is intended to serve. The clarity concern arises only where the language does not make clear, in the mind of a reasonably informed reader, the scope or object of that discretion.

examines whether the amendment employs language in a manner consistent with the vocabulary, terminology, and logic used in the Constitution and within the amendment itself. *Compatibility* asks whether the amendment integrates coherently into the broader constitutional framework without creating conflict with other provisions or with the structure of the Constitution as a whole.

After due consideration, the PJC determined as follows regarding the PRL 19-3 Overture:

Question Presented	PJC Determination
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of clarity of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of consistency of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of compatibility with other provisions of the EPC Constitution?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.

The Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully reports these findings to the 46th General Assembly and recommends that it accept and adopt the PRL 19-3A Overture.[28]

RECOMMENDATION 46-61

The National Leadership Team (the "***NLT***") has submitted to the 46th General Assembly a complete restatement of the Book of Discipline (the "***BOD Restatement***"). Because the proposal constitutes an amendment in full as to the Book of Discipline, the Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "PJC") examined the BOD Restatement for clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.

The PJC understands the categories "clarity," "consistency," and "compatibility" to have particular meanings. *Clarity* asks whether the language of the amendment is sufficiently precise that a reasonably informed reader of the Constitution could determine what the provision requires, permits, or forbids without reference to the debate that produced it. *Consistency* examines whether the amendment employs language in a manner consistent with the vocabulary, terminology, and logic used in the Constitution and within the amendment itself. *Compatibility* asks whether the amendment integrates coherently into the broader constitutional framework without creating conflict with other provisions or with the structure of the Constitution as a whole.

[28] See G.21-3D.2.b.

After due consideration, the PJC determined as follows regarding the BOD Restatement:

Question Presented	PJC Determination
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of clarity of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of consistency of language?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of compatibility with other provisions of the EPC Constitution?	Yes. Vote: 8-0, with one abstention.

Accordingly, the PJC respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the General Assembly accept and adopt the BOD Restatement.

RECOMMENDATION 46-68

Regarding The Session of New Albany Presbyterian Church vs. Presbytery of the Alleghenies, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly SUSTAIN (a) the PJC's determination that the complaint stated grounds upon which relief may be granted and (b) the grant of relief set forth in the PJC's Order dated January 15, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION 46-69

Regarding Robert McClelland, TE, vs. Presbytery of Central Carolinas, the Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully recommends that the 46th General Assembly SUSTAIN (a) the PJC's determination that the complaint stated grounds upon which relief may be granted and (b) the grant of relief set forth in the PJC's Order dated December 30, 2025.

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Meeting Dates

December 9, 2025: Video Conference
December 16, 2025: Video Conference
December 30, 2025: Video Conference
February 18, 2026: Video Conference
February 24, 2026: Video Conference
March 14, 2026: Video Conference
March 28, 2026: Video Conference
April 6, 2026: Video Conference
April 23, 2026: Video Conference
April 27, 2026: Video Conference
May 4, 2026: Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,

Forrest Norman, Chairman
June 2026

PJC APPENDIX 1: PJC REPORT, CONCURRENCES, AND MINORITY MATERIALS REGARDING THE PRESBYTERY OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST G.9-3A OVERTURE

On January 30, 2026, the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest overtured the 46th General Assembly to amend Section 9-3A of the *Book of Discipline* (the "***PNW 9-3A Overture***"). The Permanent Judicial Commission of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (the "***PJC***") subsequently examined the proposed amendment for clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, in each case as required by Section G.21-3D.2.a.

The PJC understands the categories "clarity," "consistency," and "compatibility" to have particular meanings. *Clarity* asks whether the language of the amendment is sufficiently precise that a reasonably informed reader of the Constitution could determine what the provision requires, permits, or forbids without reference to the debate that produced it.[29] *Consistency* examines whether the amendment employs language in a manner consistent with the vocabulary, terminology, and logic used in the Constitution and within the amendment itself. *Compatibility* asks whether the amendment integrates coherently into the broader constitutional framework without creating conflict with other provisions or with the structure of the Constitution as a whole.

After due consideration, the PJC determined as follows regarding the PNW 9-3A Overture:

Question Presented	PJC Determination
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of clarity of language?	Yes. Vote: 4-3, with one abstention.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of consistency of language?	No. Vote: 5-3.
Does the amendment satisfy the requirement of compatibility with other provisions of the EPC Constitution?	No. Vote: 5-3.

The PJC's task was limited. We did not determine the wisdom, necessity, or pastoral desirability of the PNW 9-3A Overture, but rather evaluated whether the proposed language is prepared for integration into the Constitution. Our evaluation of the "three-C" criteria helps the General Assembly determine whether an amendment, such as the PNW 9-3A Overture, is constitutionally serviceable in its present form, apart from the merits of the proposal itself.

This constitutes our report and recommendation to the General Assembly.[30]

[29] In many instances, constitutional language is designed to confer discretion on church courts. In such cases, a provision does not fail the clarity test merely because it allows a range of outcomes, since the granting of discretion is the very function the text is intended to serve. The clarity concern arises only where the language does not make clear, in the mind of a reasonably informed reader, the scope or object of that discretion.

[30] See G.21-3D.2.b.

I. Clarity

The PJC first considered whether the language of the PNW 9-3A Overture is sufficiently precise that a reasonably informed reader of the Constitution could determine what the provision requires, permits, or forbids.

Some members of the PJC expressed concern that the language of the overture lacks sufficient precision, particularly in its introduction and treatment of categories of sinful desire and in the potential difficulty of consistent application in the examination of candidates for office. The concern was focused on a portion of the overture's operative language, which provides:

> Those who profess, persist in, or identify with unnatural desires or affections… are disqualified from holding office in Christ's Church.

Questions were raised regarding the meaning and application of the phrases "profess," "persist in," and "identify with." These terms may be understood in different ways by presbyteries, sessions, and nominating committees, especially when applied to matters that are not always outwardly expressed (e.g., does "persist in" require intentional cultivation of inappropriate lust to be exclusionary or would an infrequent, unwanted, and intrusive thought characterizable as same-sex attraction also disqualify). Some PJC members concluded that the variability in the language rises to the level of a failure of clarity under the Constitution's standard.

Although the majority acknowledged these concerns, it determined that the clarity standard does not require exhaustive definition of every term, particularly given that examining candidates has always been an exercise in judgment. The language of the PNW 9-3A Overture, taken as a whole, conveys a sufficiently definite meaning in context to permit such examination by presbyteries and sessions. It directs attention to matters that may be explored through a candidate's words and reputation within the church's existing processes. Our church courts have a history of wisely applying constitutional text that admits of some variability, and there is every reason to continue to trust reasonably informed presbyters in faithfully doing so in the future.[31]

The PNW 9-3A Overture therefore satisfies the requirement of "clarity of language."

II. Consistency

Members of the Commission expressed differing views as to whether the overture's formulation employs language in a manner consistent with the vocabulary, terminology, and logic used in the Constitution and within the amendment itself.

In evaluating whether the proposed language was consistent with the Constitution, the PJC discussed the Westminster Standards extensively. The Standards are not advisory. Every Ruling and Teaching Elder receives and adopts them "as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy

[31] If a lower court errs by approving an inappropriate candidate for office, Chapter 14 of the *Book of Discipline* allows a concerned elder with standing the opportunity to file a complaint with a higher court and resolve the matter.

Scriptures,"[32] and they form the doctrinal framework within which all provisions of the Constitution must operate. The *Book of Governmen*t states in Section 23-1B:

> No changes may be made to the **Book of Order**, including any of its parts composed of the Book of Government, the Book of Discipline, and the Book of Worship, that would be contrary to the **Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms**.

(Bold in original.)

Although some PJC members concluded that the PNW 9-3A Overture appropriately reflects the Standards' teaching regarding sinful desire and the call to holiness, the majority determined that, in the manner it defines and applies disqualification, the overture does not reflect the Standards' treatment of indwelling sin and progressive sanctification.

The PJC was united in affirming that sexual desire outside of a faithful marriage between a man and a woman is sinful and that officers of the church must be persons of maturity, holiness, and self-control, consistent with the Standards. At the same time, the Standards recognize that even mature believers continue to experience the remnants of sin, including unwanted and intrusive thoughts or desires arising from remaining corruption, which are to be resisted, repented of, and put to death.

The majority concluded that the overture is not consistent with that structure. By attaching candidate disqualification directly to specified categories of desire, the overture treats those desires as operating outside the framework of progressive sanctification described in the Standards. In effect, its language isolates a category of internal experience and assigns it a different constitutional significance than the Standards themselves assign to the continuing presence of sin in the believer.

Under the Constitution, candidates are examined within a framework that assumes both the requirement of holiness[33] and the persistence of indwelling sin.[34] By contrast, the overture directs the Church to treat certain categories of desire as determinative in themselves, rather than as part of that broader framework of examination and pastoral judgment. The language of the overture is therefore inconsistent with the logic of the Standards.

In addition to requiring the foregoing evaluation regarding the overture's consistency with the vocabulary, terminology, and logic used in the Constitution, the category of consistency requires the PJC to evaluate whether the language of the proposed amendment is *internally* consistent. The majority found that, if adopted as written, the overture would introduce certain deficiencies in this regard.

In relevant part, G.9-3A currently provides:

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[32] G.13-2A.3.
[33] See *Westminster Larger Catechism* 138 & 139.
[34] See *Westminster Confession of Faith* 6.5 & 13.1-2 and *Westminster Larger Catechism* 78 & 79.

> A congregation preparing to elect persons to this holy office should carefully study appropriate passages of Scripture relating to the Ruling Elder and be very prayerful in selecting persons to this office.

It is clear from the text that this particular sentence directs congregations as the subject and speaks to the election of Ruling Elders as its objects. The text of the PNW 9-3A Overture, however, would modify the sentence so that it states as follows:

> A **presbytery or** congregation preparing to elect persons to **these** holy **offices shall** carefully study appropriate passages of Scripture relating to the **Teaching Elder**, Ruling Elder, **and Deacon**, and be very prayerful in **electing** persons to these offices.

(Bold language reflects additions introduced by overture.) The modifications introduce a second subject (i.e., "a presbytery") and expand the object to include Teaching Elders and Deacons. This creates tension within the existing structure of G.9-3A. Put simply, presbyteries do not "elect" Ruling Elders or Deacons; congregations do not "elect" Teaching Elders.[35]

For the reasons stated above, the PNW 9-3A Overture fails to satisfy the requirement of "consistency of language."

III. Compatibility

In addition to raising consistency concerns, the PNW 9-3A Overture also raises fundamental questions regarding "compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church" (i.e., the Westminster Standards).

The Westminster Standards set forth a coherent doctrine of sin and sanctification that governs the Christian life and therefore the evaluation of those called to office. As reflected in Sections 6.5 and 13.1-3 of the *Westminster Confession of Faith*, and in Questions 78 and 79 of the *Westminster Larger Catechism*, the Standards teach that corruption remains in the regenerate (i.e., the "born again") and that sanctification in this life is imperfect. Believers continue to experience the remnants of sin, including sinful desires, even as they are renewed and engaged in an ongoing conflict against the flesh.

At the same time, the Standards are equally clear that such desires are sinful and must be resisted and put to death. *Westminster Larger Catechism* Questions 138 and 139 require chastity in body, mind, and affections and forbid all unclean thoughts and desires.

The Standards therefore hold together two propositions that must not be separated or read to be in conflict with one another. *First*, sinful desires are truly sinful and are to be put to death (i.e., are to be "mortified"). *Second*, the continued presence of such desires does not place the believer outside the state of grace but is part of the ongoing struggle described in the doctrine of progressive sanctification.

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[35] It is possible that this internal inconsistency of language could be resolved by repositioning elements of the PNW 9-3A Overture in other appropriate sections of the *Book of Government*.

The PJC recognizes that the Standards also teach that some sins are more heinous than others.[36] That principle, however, does not alter the structure of the doctrine described above. The distinction among sins speaks to their gravity and aggravations, not to whether the presence of a particular sin is treated as determinative of a believer's standing apart from the broader framework of repentance and sanctification. The Standards do not single out particular categories of indwelling sin and remove them from that framework.

Because the Standards are subscribed by every elder and form part of the Constitution's doctrinal framework, proposed amendments to the Constitution must preserve both truths.

The majority concluded that the overture does not do so. While the overture clearly intends to affirm biblical sexual ethics, the confessional standards acknowledge that believers continue to experience sinful desires. By attaching disqualification directly to specified categories of desire, the overture treats the presence of such desires as determinative of qualification for office. In doing so, it separates those desires from the broader framework of progressive sanctification and assigns them a different significance than the Standards themselves assign to the continuing presence of sin in the believer.

This is not merely a question of emphasis or application. It is a question of doctrinal coherence. The Standards do not isolate particular categories of indwelling sin (e.g., "same-sex attraction") and treat their presence as dispositive. *Westminster Confession of Faith* 13.2 teaches that the corruption of nature remains in every part of the believer in this life, even as it is progressively weakened and put to death. The *Westminster Larger Catechism* expresses the same teaching in similar terms. Question 77 explains that sanctification, though inseparably joined with justification, is not perfect in this life but grows toward perfection. Question 78 further teaches that believers "retain some remnants of sin throughout their whole being" and are "continually plagued with desires of their old sinful nature that are contrary to the spirit."

The issue, therefore, is not whether same-sex attraction is sinful. The Standards plainly teach that it is. The issue is whether the Constitution may treat the presence of such "unnatural" desires or affections, without regard to the believer's repentance and progress in holiness, as determinative of fitness for office. The majority concluded that it may not do so without departing from the system of doctrine set forth in the Standards.[37]

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[36] See *Westminster Larger Catechism* Questions 150-152.

[37] It is clear to the PJC majority that any candidate for office who, for example, indulges in or acts upon lust (including by using pornography) has much growth in grace and perfection in holiness yet to achieve before he or she would be suitable for ordination. But an ordaining court *may* reach a different conclusion in the case of an otherwise qualified candidate who infrequently experiences an unwanted and intrusive thought that he or she recognizes as sinful, hates, repents of, and works to put to death. The presence of such a desire is always contrary to the spirit, but it is not in every case, as a matter of constitutional law, determinative of fitness for office. As *Westminster Confession of Faith* 13.2 teaches, "a continual and irreconcilable war goes on in every believer," as "[t]he old nature tries to get its way in opposition to the Spirit, and the Spirit fights to assert its authority over the flesh." This is no less true for the ordained than it is for the non-ordained.

For these reasons, the majority concluded that the overture does not satisfy the requirement of "compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution."

IV. Conclusion

The Permanent Judicial Commission has great respect for the concerns that gave rise to the PNW 9-3A Overture, which are rooted in a desire for biblical fidelity and holiness in Christ's church. Nevertheless, for the reasons stated above, we conclude that, although the overture satisfies the requirement of clarity of language, it does not satisfy the requirements of consistency of language and compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution, including the Westminster Standards.

Certain aspects of the overture's drafting could perhaps be addressed through amendment. However, the principal concerns identified by the Permanent Judicial Commission do not arise solely from matters of terminology or placement, but from the manner in which the overture defines and applies disqualification in relation to the doctrine of sin and sanctification reflected in the Westminster Standards. Those concerns are not resolved by modification of particular provisions, but go to the structure and operation of the proposal itself.

The Permanent Judicial Commission respectfully and prayerfully reports its findings to the 46th General Assembly and recommends that it consider them in deciding whether to accept or decline the PNW 9-3A Overture.

CONCURRING WITH THE REPORT OF THE PJC

May 1, 2026

I concur in the report of the majority of the PJC. For the sake of my own conscience, however, I wish to state clearly that the absence of a disqualifying standard within our Constitution does not entail the absence of meaningful standards, nor does it relieve the church of its duty to guard the integrity of its ministry. The qualifications for office are not abstract propositions to be applied mechanically, nor are they infinitely elastic. They are to be discerned through the careful examination of the whole person, according to Scripture and with careful regard for our Body of Divinity. It is within the ordinary work of the courts of the church, that this discernment occurs and that the respective emphases identified by the majority and the minority are meant to be held together.

On the Authority and Responsibilities of the PJC, in Brief

Additionally, I offer a personal observation regarding the role of the PJC in matters touching proposed constitutional amendments. In our polity, presbyteries deliberate and overture; the General Assembly then receives, deliberates, and expresses the Lord's will as those commissioners understand it. The introduction of preliminary constitutional review by the PJC, however well-intended to steward the integrity of the Constitution, introduces an additional stage that seems to function, in effect, as pre-deliberative assembly prior to the General Assembly's own consideration.

Where such review serves to clarify technical matters, it may be experienced as an efficient aid to the church and her business. Yet in matters of heightened theological and ecclesiastical significance, especially where the church must reason together in the presence of real disagreement, this intermediate step may be perceived as constraining, or at least materially shaping in advance, the deliberative process entrusted to the Assembly itself. That perception sits in some tension with our commitment to governance through the graded courts of elders.

I raise this concern not to challenge the legitimacy of the PJC's present authority, which I accept and under which I endeavor to serve faithfully, but to suggest that the locus of deliberation in such matters ought, insofar as possible, to remain with the Assembly as a deliberative body. If preliminary review of proposed amendments is deemed necessary, it may be more consonant with our polity for such work to arise from structures more directly representative of the presbyteries, rather than from a judicial commission. I offer this observation in humility, and for the sake of preserving clarity within our biblical polity.

For these reasons, and with these clarifications, I concur.

TE Zachary Hopkins

CONCURRING WITH THE REPORT OF THE PJC

I concur with the report of the majority of the Permanent Judicial Commission in its findings as to the PNW overture. We have come to the correct decision as to this particular overture.

However, I believe that we have not sufficiently guarded rights which are guaranteed to individual believers and the lower courts in our Book of Government, nor have we given weight to a provision in the Westminster Confession which helps us understand the proper interpretation of Scripture. Presbyterian government is not modeled after our civil government, which has become weighted in the Federal authority and little authority resides with the states. The application of the provisions in our EPC constitution would preserve authority in the presbyteries and appropriately limit the authority of the General Assembly. Specifically:

1. Liberty of Conscience/ Christian Freedom. Section 2-3 of the Book of Government states that the Scriptures are the ultimate rule of faith and practice, and that the Church may create no laws that will bind the conscience as to the interpretation of Scripture.

Sections 25-1 and 25-2 of the Book of Government together also guarantee in perpetuity that the Church may make no law to bind the conscience with respect to the interpretation of Scripture, and that no person may be rejected for ordination because of matters of conscience, except for stated reasons not at issue here.

Similarly, Section 20-2 of the Westminster Confession of Faith states "God alone is Lord of the conscience and has left it free from the doctrines and commandments of men which are in any way contrary to his word in matters of faith or worship."

In my view, the approval of the PNW overture would bind the consciences of presbyteries which disagree with the overture in violation of these guaranteed rights of liberty of conscience, and the EPC is obligated to guard against such infringements.

2. The Right of the Presbytery to Ordain to Office. Sections 19-4B (2) and (3) of the Book of Government acknowledge the right of the presbytery to examine, ordain and install candidates and pastors. Section 10-2 of the Book of Government states that the right of calling to office may never be taken away for non-Scriptural reasons. Does the PNW overture state a Scriptural reason to appropriately limit the presbytery's right of ordination? We look next to the Westminster Confession to see what a Scriptural and non-Scriptural reason to limit ordination would be.

3. The Westminster Standard for the Interpretation of Scripture. Our understanding of the rights of liberty of conscience in interpretation of Scripture, also referred to as Christian freedom, and the right of calling by the presbytery is enhanced by Section 1-6 of the Westminster Confession of Faith, which provides that God's purpose as to his glory, our salvation and our lives is "either explicitly stated in the Bible or may be deduced as inevitably and logically following from it. Nothing is at any time to be added to the Bible.…"

As I understand WCF Section 1-6, the believer is bound to observe both (a) that which is explicitly stated in Scripture and (b) that which is not explicitly stated but is deduced inevitably and logically from that which is stated. Conversely, the believer is free to interpret Scripture according to his or her conscience when that standard is not met.

The question presented by the PNW overture is whether a person who experiences same-sex attraction but is chaste, does not affirm homosexuality as appropriate for Christians and otherwise mature in faith is disqualified to serve as an officer of the church. Whether the PNW proposal overture meets the Confession's standard for that which is Biblical and therefore can be required to be held in unity has not been addressed in sufficient depth.

These provisions of our Constitutional documents may not be easily harmonized. For the sake of our denomination going forward, and regardless of the adoption or non-adoption of the PNW overture, we need to give attention to the question of the priority of the liberties guaranteed by the EPC and proposed amendments to our constitutional documents.

We also should consider whether Section 1-6 of the Westminster Confession provides us with a working definition of what separates an "essential of the faith," as to which we should join in unity, as over against a non-essential as to which we have freedom.

I concur that the work of the PJC has produced the right result as to the PNW overture, but there are additional questions which deserve the attention of the Permanent Judicial Commission and the EPC at the appropriate time, which I believe to be as early as possible after we have a final determination on the PNW overture.

Soli Deo Gloria
Thomas C. Werner
38th Moderator of the EPC

MINORITY REPORT OF THE PJC

On the Constitutionality of the PNW Overture

The undersigned, a minority of the Permanent Judicial Commission, not agreeing with the majority, desire to express their views regarding the PJC's 3-C analysis of the PNW Overture. The minority hereby recommends amendment of the majority report to include the analysis stated below, with the amended recommendations that the General Assembly accept the PNW Overture as having satisfied the criteria of clarity and consistency of language, and compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

Report:

The PJC is charged with conducting an analysis of any proposed amendments to the EPC's constitution per B.O.G. 21-3(D)(2)(a):

> "[T]he Permanent Judicial Commission [ ] shall examine the proposed amendment for clarity and consistency of language and for compatibility with other provisions of the Constitution of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church."

The first question is therefore whether the language of the proposed amendment is clear and consistent. The second question is whether the proposed amendment is compatible with the other provisions of the constitution.

The PJC majority found that the language was sufficiently "clear" but fell short on the standards of "consistency" and "conformity." This Minority Report is being offered because the PJC majority appears to have applied a stricter standard of analysis in reviewing the PNW Overture than it has in assessing other overtures, and because upon reasonable analysis the PNW overture is neither inconsistent with the Westminster Standards, nor is it incompatible with the current EPC Book of Government and should be submitted to the General Assembly for consideration as satisfying the 3-Cs of clarity and consistency of language, and conformity with the constitution.

The PJC separated "clarity and consistency of language" into two categories, and engaged in an extensive exegetical analysis of "consistency" beyond a review of whether the language is in fact internally consistent. We respectfully believe this analysis goes beyond the constitutional charge of B.O.G. 21-3(D)(2)(a). While the in-depth analysis reflected in the PJC Report was done in good faith with honest intent, we are concerned that this strayed too far into the merits of the debate on whether to adopt the PNW overture, as opposed to an analysis of language.

Four separate presbyteries have approved the exact same overture language, and a fifth presbytery has approved an overture similar in language and approach. This compels a degree of deference and respect, and in strongly suggests that five Presbyteries have found that the proposed standards pass constitutional muster.

To be certain, the PJC analysis on this overture was more detailed than any other 3-C analysis than any of our members have ever seen before. This was done in good faith, but, again, may have strayed too far into a debate on the merits of the overture.

A stricter standard of analysis was applied to the constitutional conformity element because the PNW overture was viewed as a disqualifying standard for ordination, rather than an affirmative guideline. However, in our view, nothing in the EPC Book of Government, Westminster Confession, or Scriptures compels such a difference in ordination standards. The majority's concerns over the PNW overture potentially infringing on the Westminster doctrine of progressive sanctification and indwelling sin pertain, in our opinion, to questions of salvation and not ordination.

The PNW overture satisfies the 3-C analysis. The language is clear and consistent, readily understandable by any reasonable measure of interpretation.

1. **Clarity and Consistency of Language**

Is the language of the PNW Overture for 9-3A clear and consistent?

The proposed amendment uses language throughout the three sentences of the proposal which are internally consistent. The majority takes issue not with this, but with the proposed use of three words in particular: "profess," "persist" and "identify." These are all words used in the everyday vocabulary of the reasonable Presbyterian.

a. **The Simple Part:**

There is no lack of clarity or consistency in changing "should" to "shall" in several instances in the overture. There is no lack of clarity or consistency in changing "this office" to "these offices." There is no lack of clarity or consistency in adding "Presbytery" to the entity "preparing to elect persons to this office" or to naming the other two offices by name, those being "Teaching Elder" and "Deacon." In fact, this makes 9-3 more consistent with the three "offices to the church" defined in 9-1. The current 9-3 cites to scriptural passages outlining the criteria for several levels of offices in the church, but the last sentence of the current 9-3 seems only to give guidance to congregations for Ruling Elders. However, the other sections of Chapter 9, and the title and citations of 9-3 suggest the criteria apply to all three offices to the church. By pluralizing and naming the three at the end, the PNW overture is actually clearer than the current version and is more consistent with the other provisions in chapter 9.

b. The Substantive Part:

The question is whether the two sentences in the middle of the overture, the "substantive part" are clear and consistent. While the provision must be read in the whole, for examination purposes it can be broken into two sentences. (We highlight the two sentences separately, but keep the clauses together).

i. **The first sentence**

> Therefore, persons eligible for church office shall conform in heart, mind, and conduct to God's design for human sexuality, embracing with gratitude the calling of either chastity in singleness or fidelity within marriage between one man and one woman. Those who profess, persist in, or identify with unnatural desires or affections, contrary to God's created order and condemned by Scripture as against nature, are disqualified from holding office in Christ's Church.

The first sentence is language of guidance. This provision is intended to guide the ordaining body in the same manner as the current language does, requiring the ordaining body find the candidate to be "above reproach, sound in the faith, wise in the things of God, and discreet in all things." Here, "*conforming in heart, mind, and conduct*" is no less clear than "*being above reproach, sound in faith, wise in the things of God, and discreet in all things.*" The overture here proposes that the constitution include additional clarity on what we expect of our ordained leaders with respect to human sexuality. This *adds* clarity.

As to the concern that this includes terms which are not defined in the constitution, none of the current terms are defined in the constitution. So it would be improper to burden this overture with a definitional standard not applicable to the current constitution.

There is an element of subjective interpretation in the current guiding language, and there is an element of subjective interpretation in the proposed language. The subjectivity does not render it unclear but rather gives additional language upon which to evaluate a candidate for ordination.

The term "heart, mind, and conduct" is not unclear. Conduct is crystal clear. Mind is crystal clear – it relates to the intellectual assent of the candidate to God's order. "Heart" is equally clear, although tougher to measure from the outside. What is in our hearts is our inner emotional state. That's simple and clear. Certainly, the ordaining body may never be certain what is *actually* in the candidate's heart or mind, but we do presuppose a degree of integrity on the part of the candidate. But that uncertainty does not render this provision unclear.

ii. **The Second Sentence**

> Therefore, persons eligible for church office shall conform in heart, mind, and conduct to God's design for human sexuality, embracing with gratitude the calling of either chastity in singleness or fidelity within marriage between one man and one woman. Those who profess, persist in, or identify with unnatural desires or affections, contrary to God's created order and condemned by Scripture as against nature, are disqualified from holding office in Christ's Church.

To "profess" is perfectly clear. If a candidate advocates for homosexual lifestyles he is professing it. To "identify" is perfectly clear. Sexual identity is now part of the common vernacular. It is used in everyday speech, on government forms, on job applications, and in medical journals. It refers to persons who find their self-conception defined by a particular characteristic (such as homosexuality, or same sex attraction), or imagined reality, such as identifying as a different gender than their biological gender. It is quite easy to find out if someone identifies as something other than what

appears on the surface – just ask them. "How do you identify?" is a common question these days. Again, the candidate may not give full disclosure, but we should be able to presuppose integrity of candidates for ordination.

"Persist in" gets its own paragraph here because there has been much discussion about what persist means in this context. Here, in this context, persist clearly means "more than fleeting" and "continual and on-going despite resistance." The dictionary definition includes "to remain unchanged" and "to go on resolutely or stubbornly in spite of opposition." This is not unclear but differentiates between an occasional intrusive inappropriate sexual thought and one that is more continual.

The PJC did not find that the phrase "*unnatural desires or affections, contrary to God's created order and condemned by Scripture as against nature*" is unclear, so it will not be addressed here, other than to say, if we do not understand this, then we cannot understand it in the context of conduct either.

c. **The (mis-)Perceived Problem of Progressive Sanctification:**

The PJC majority found that the PNW Overture was inconsistent with the concept of progressive sanctification. We respectfully disagree. The PNW Overture does not dispute the presence of the remnants of indwelling sin; it sets a threshold standard of maturity for the candidate to be qualified for ordination. The standard is not "100% free from temptations" but draws a line where the candidate professes, persists in, or identifies with the unnatural sexual desires or affections. If the candidate is still struggling with the sinful temptation, that is different from the scenario where the candidate feels he has overcome the temptation sufficiently to no longer identify with it, and no longer sees it as persistently plaguing his daily walk. A persistent temptation is different from an occasional intrusive thought. A fleeting or momentary thought is different from a persistent longing. The mature Christian who has experienced sufficient progressive sanctification is no longer plagued by persistent longings to sin. In this sense, the PNW Overture actually reinforces the concept of progressive sanctification and demands that the ordinand attain a certain degree of maturity before being qualified for office to be a leader within our church. Consequently, we do not believe the PNW Overture is inconsistent with the Westminster Standards.

2. **Compatibility**

Is this provision compatible with other portions of the constitution? By definition an amendment to the constitution changes the constitution, so in this context compatibility does not mean perfect conformity. It means "is it in harmony" or at least "is it not out of harmony" with the constitution.

Is the addition of a requirement for ordination candidates compatible with the current constitution? Yes. The current constitution does place minimum standards upon candidates both in Chapter 9 and elsewhere. The most prominent example is for Teaching Elders, where the EPC requires a certain level of education in 11-2G. (Arguably, all of Chapter 11 sets standards for ordination of Teaching Elder. B.O.G. 12-2 sets criteria that are not even found in scripture (e.g. competency in the original language of scripture). Therefore, the EPC's current constitution does set

denomination-wide base-line standards. If the GA can set a base-line on education, it can set a baseline on issues relating to human sexuality.

Nothing in the PNW Overture disputes Westminster Confessional concepts of salvation, sanctification, or indwelling sin. It simply sets a threshold of maturity for the ordained leaders of the church with respect to sexual desires and behavior. If progressive sanctification means anything, it means that the Christian will progressively overcome sinful thoughts, desires, and actions. The PNW Overture recognizes this and is therefore not inconsistent or incompatible with the Westminster Confession of Faith or the EPC Book of Order.

Does the PNW Overture contradict the right of a presbytery to ordain? No. It sets criteria, as it does for other standards. The Presbytery is still responsible for examining and ensuring the individual meets the criteria. The PNW overture does no more violence to the concept of presbytery-led-ordination than the Ad Interim Committee's proposed changes to the constitution, which proposes an addition which asserts that "Officers must conform to the biblical requirement of chastity and sexual purity (see Westminster Larger Catechism Q & A 138-139; D. 1-10) in their descriptions of themselves, their convictions, character, and conduct." WLC 139 precludes "unnatural desires." Substantively, this is really no different than the PNW Overture.

3. **Conclusion**

In conclusion, upon examination, we believe that the PNW Overture is clear, consistent, and compatible, and should pass the 3-C examination, and should be commended to the General Assembly for due consideration with the blessing of the PJC.

Submitted In Faith,

Forrest Norman, RE Presbytery of the Alleghenies
Gordon Miller, RE New River Presbytery
Don Flater, RE Rivers and Lakes Presbytery

CONCURRING WITH THE MINORITY REPORT

I respectfully join with my colleague(s) in the submission of a minority report. While I join in the Minority Report's findings that the PNW overture meets the 3 c requirements of B.O.G. 21-(D)(2)(a), I wish to address an important issue the current Permanent Judicial Commission and all future Commissions need to address.

When the Commission addresses a constitutional amendment for the purpose of doing a clarity, consistency, and compatibility test, the 3 c's, the Commission in many respects acts as a court of law. Constitutional amendments deserve a careful review. In this capacity, it acts somewhat like a Supreme Court. For the sake of this discussion, I'll refer to it as the Court Function.

Once this Court Function is completed, the B.O.G. gives the Commission options as to how to proceed. B.O.G. 21-(D)(2)(b). The Commission is required to report its findings along with its recommendations. It then "may include an amended version of any proposed constitutional changes as well as advice to accept or decline the proposals referred to the Commission." I'll refer to this as the Ministerial Function. Operating in the Ministerial Function, the Commission has the right to amend, to correct or "fix" an overture. (Note: The author recognizes the provision reads "may" and not "shall".)

Both functions should normally be in play when an overture is considered. For example, if it appears the 3 c test may fail, the PJC has the right to take steps to correct the part(s) that may have failed. Simple issues may involve rather minor corrections that could quickly be addressed. Others may be more complicated requiring communication with the Presbytery offering the overture. Nothing in our Constitution prevents this. It is my position that the Ministerial Function should always be considered unless a very clear constitutional violation would be allowed by doing so. This is in keeping with the ethos of the E.P.C.

If only the Legal Function is considered, the danger exists that the Commission may review overtures as if a cross-examination is being conducted, or drafting skills are being tested. A Ministerial Function would ask if an overture works or can be made to work. The Ministerial Function is clearly contemplated by our B.O.G. Proponents of overtures are our brothers and sisters in Christ. I believe it to be in the best interest of our beloved EPC for all Permanent Judicial Commissions to consider both functions so that overtures can be heard by the entire General Assembly. The Permanent Judicial Commission should not be the place where overtures go to die.

Nothing in my opinion is meant to suggest or imply that the Commission did not consider both functions.

Respectfully submitted,

Gordon A. Miller
34th Moderator of the EPC
Ruling Elder

PJC APPENDIX 2: THE SESSION OF NEW ALBANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH V. PRESBYTERY OF THE ALLEGHENIES

THE PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION

of

THE EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE SESSION OF NEW ALBANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH *v.*

PRESBYTERY OF THE ALLEGHENIES

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

January 15, 2026

This matter comes before the Permanent Judicial Commission on the Complaint of the Session of New Albany Presbyterian Church ("Complainant") against the Presbytery of the Alleghenies ("Respondent").

This Complaint was timely filed on November 25, 2025.

The Commission conducted its D.14-8 analysis on December 9, 2025, found that the Complaint stated grounds upon which relief could be granted, and directed Respondent to answer and produce the Record by January 8, 2026. Respondent timely filed its Answer and produced the Record.

The Complaint alleges irregularities by Respondent in handling an overture submitted by Complainant for consideration at Respondent's November 15, 2025 meeting. The essence of the Complaint is that the overture was deemed in order in advance by the EPC's Chief Parliamentarian, whom Respondent's Leadership Team ("LT") consulted on this matter, yet Respondent used procedural steps to keep the overture from receiving a first reading on the docket. Rather than placing the overture on the docket for a first reading, Respondent scheduled a vote on whether to include the overture on the docket, citing General Assembly Resolution 44-43 ("GA 44-43"), which expresses an "opinion and wish" that presbyteries refrain from taking action on certain matters pending the work of the Ad

Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination. Respondent's meeting packet included a letter from GA Moderator David Strunk to the EPC family, placed immediately before the Complainant's overture, which letter references the GA 44-43 opinion and wish.

In seeking the opinion of the Chief Parliamentarian, Respondent's LT was advised that the overture was technically in order but not in accord with the wishes of GA 44-43. At that meeting, the Stated Clerk "spoke to the overture being in order but not in accord with the wishes of the GA 44-43." (Provisional Minutes of the 56th Stated Meeting of Respondent, held on November 15, 2025). The question was posed: "Shall the overture be included in the docket as a first reading?" Following discussion, Respondent voted to keep the overture from receiving a first reading at the November meeting of Respondent.[1]

Specifically, the Complaint raises five counts, which are summarized here[2]:

(1) The Stated Clerk wrongly and improperly relied upon an excerpt from a letter from GA Moderator Strunk and National Leadership Team ("NLT") Chair Jones regarding the "opinion and wish" of the 44th GA concerning Resolution 44-43. The letter was included in the packet and placed before the overture, thus prejudicing the subsequent limited discussion and resulting in a vote not to place the overture on the docket.

(2) The Stated Clerk stated to the Presbytery that a number of Respondent's members had voted in favor of GA 44-43. Complainant asserts that Respondent's actions in deferring to GA 44-43 are in conflict with G.18-3N regarding a Session's responsibility to overture its Presbytery on matters it believes vital or helpful to the whole Church.

(3) Complainant challenges Respondent's practice of first and second readings as restrictive of the ability of a local church Session to move a proposed constitutional amendment through its Presbytery and have it filed with the General Assembly's Stated Clerk in a timely manner.

(4) Respondent's actions to procedurally exclude the overture from consideration were taken after being advised by the EPC's Chief Parliamentarian that the overture was in order. Once Respondent was advised the overture was in order, it should have been placed on the docket.

(5) The "Gentlemen's Agreement" reflected in GA 44-43 has no binding effect and is unconstitutional. No General Assembly can bind future General Assemblies, nor can it restrict a Presbytery or local church in a manner which is contrary to the Constitution.

Respondent provided a thorough Answer to the Complaint.

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[1] Respondent utilizes a practice of first and second readings of overtures. The first reading is simply a presentation of the overture in writing, without discussion or debate. The second reading occurs at the next meeting of the Presbytery, where discussion on the merits is held. The Respondent's practice is that the overture is not read aloud at the first meeting, but is included in the packet for reference.

[2] D.14-3B requires that a complaint set forth with particularity all facts and reasons why the action or decision is

being challenged. This often results in lengthy pleadings so as not to waive potential grounds. For readability, the Complaint is not restated in full here, but has been considered in its entirety and is summarized below.

Statement of Facts

On October 1, 2025, Complainant informed Respondent that the Session was considering bringing an overture to the Presbytery in November for discussion at the February meeting. This timing reflects an understanding that Respondent has had a practice of presenting overtures for first and second readings since 2022. The first and second readings practice is not in Respondent's bylaws, and it has never been adopted in a formal vote. It has, however, become a regular practice of Respondent.

On November 6, 2025, Complainant submitted an overture approved by its Session to Respondent's LT for inclusion on the November docket. Complainant requested that the overture be included in the packet and presented for a first reading without comment from Respondent's LT, and that it be given to the Presbytery for prayerful consideration in preparation for the second reading at the February 2026 meeting, at which time the merits would be discussed. The significance of the timing is that Respondent's February meeting is the last meeting of the Presbytery before the 60-day window for overtures to be submitted to the General Assembly. Therefore, if a first reading was to be held at the February meeting, there would not be sufficient time for the Presbytery to consider the matter at a second reading, presumably at the next meeting of the Presbytery.

The overture addresses issues concerning ordination standards and same sex attraction. Respondent's LT raised concerns as to whether this would be contrary to the 44th General Assembly's action set forth in GA 44-43, the so-called "Gentlemen's Agreement," or recommendation, which states in the final paragraph: "Be it further resolved that it is the opinion and wish of the 44th General Assembly that no presbytery shall take action on petitions or matters before them that might touch on these areas of inquiry and exploration until the final report [of the Ad Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination] is received and acted upon by the 46th General Assembly." The parties are in agreement that the "opinion and wish" language of GA 44-43 is not binding upon Presbyteries or future General Assemblies.

Respondent's LT consulted with the EPC's Chief Parliamentarian, who advised that the overture was in order, but out of accord with the resolution of GA 44-43.

The record shows that after being advised that the overture was in order, Respondent's LT decided to include the overture in the packet but to have the Presbytery vote as to whether to receive it for a first reading. If accepted, no discussion on the merits would take place. If rejected, the matter would not receive consideration on the merits at the February meeting in time for transmission to the General Assembly if passed, but would be tabled in some manner until after the Ad Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination completed its work. Included in the packet immediately in front of Complainant's overture was the letter from the Moderator of the 45th GA, David Strunk, and Victor Jones, Chair of the NLT and Moderator of the 44th GA, reiterating the "opinion and wish" language from GA 44-43.

Opinion and Order

The Complaint sets forth five particular counts, each of which contains subparts and arguments. Pursuant to D.14-9A, this Commission is to vote "either to sustain, to sustain in part, or not to sustain" the complaint. This Commission is entitled to interpret pleadings, counts, and specific items set forth in the complaint in order to give effect to the intent of the constitution of the EPC, and is not bound to a rigid wooden reading of the counts as set forth in the pleadings. This is not a test on drafting pleadings, but in doing justice under the EPC constitution. Therefore, the voting on specifications may not line up perfectly with the pleadings, but may be set forth in order to give proper constitutional effect to the matter. Where there is an irregularity, the goal is to afford a remedy.

Some discussion is in order.

First, this Commission does not decide, and expresses no opinion regarding, the general propriety, constitutionality, or advisability of any presbytery practice concerning first and second readings or other docketing practices. The relief granted herein is limited to the specific irregularity shown in this record.

Second, this Commission has been advised that all parties are in agreement that the so-called "Gentlemen's Agreement" and "opinion and wish" section of GA 44-43 are not binding upon future General Assemblies, and do not restrict a Session or Presbytery from considering a matter where appropriate. It is not a constitutional basis for exclusion of an otherwise valid overture.

Here, on the particular facts of this record, the overture was acknowledged to be in order, yet it was not taken up for consideration at the November 15, 2025 meeting based on reliance on GA 44-43. On these specific facts, this Commission concludes that the overture should have been taken up for consideration by Respondent as a court, and that reliance on GA 44-43 as the basis for not taking it up for consideration was improper.

Consequently, this Commission sustains in part the Complaint of New Albany Presbyterian Church, essentially as to Count 4, but with some overlapping areas in other counts. This Commission grants relief requested in Request for Relief No. 2 and directs Respondent to place the overture on the agenda for consideration, including opportunity for debate and vote, at Respondent's February 14, 2026 meeting. Nothing in this Order compels adoption of the overture or any particular substantive outcome.

The relief granted is based solely on the particular facts of this record, namely, that the overture was acknowledged to be in order, yet was not taken up for consideration at that meeting based on reliance on GA 44-43. Although this Commission must correct this error in view of a Session's right under G.18-3N, this Order is not intended to establish a general constitutional rule requiring presbyteries to docket or consider every overture submitted by a Session.

This Commission voted to sustain the Complaint in part and to grant the relief set forth above. Any separate concurring opinions, if submitted, are appended.

CONCURRING OPINION

THE SESSION OF NEW ALBANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Complainant) v.

THE PRESBYTERY OF THE ALLEGHENIES (Respondent)

January 15, 2026

I join the judgment of this Commission. I write separately because the complaint, sustained in part, presented additional constitutional matters that were properly before us and, in my view, warrant further constitutional consideration.

Scope

This decision, and my concurrence, do not address the theological substance of the Complainant's overture, the work of the Ad-Interim Committee on Same-Sex Attraction, or the wisdom of advancing constitutional amendments during the pendency of Ad-Interim Committees of the General Assembly. It addresses only the limits of presbyterial authority under the Constitution.

Concurrence: *The Rights of Sessions*

The Constitution expressly grants to Sessions the right to overture Presbytery on matters they believe vital or helpful to the whole Church (**G**.18-3.N). That grant is not qualified by the preferences of higher courts, forthcoming recommendations of denominational committees, or any anticipated reaction from commissioners.

The Respondent repeatedly asserts that the Complainant's overture was "not out of order, but out of accord with the EPC." The Constitution, however, recognizes no such category. "Accord" is neither a parliamentary ruling nor a constitutional standard. It has no defined content, no assigned authority, and no limiting principle. At most, it expresses a judgment of prudence. It does not express a rule of law. The Respondent's argument, therefore, is not that the overture was unlawful, but that it was inadvisable. For this reason, the Commission is correct to conclude that "the overture should have been taken up" and subsequently order its consideration.

It is not disputed that the overture was in order. By refusing to receive it, the Respondent nonetheless imposed the very consequence that follows from a ruling of "out of order," while disclaiming the constitutional grounds required to make such a ruling. The effect was to deny the Complainant the exercise of an explicit constitutional right on a basis the Constitution does not recognize.

A Presbytery's procedural authority over its own docket does not grant discretion to suspend, delay, or nullify the rights of the lower court. A Presbytery may debate an overture, amend, or decline to approve it on the merits. It may not deny a Session access to constitutional process by refusing to receive or consider an overture that is otherwise in order on grounds not found in the Constitution. A right that can be withheld for reasons of "accord" is not a right, but a permission.

For that reason, I agree with the Commission that the Presbytery's action, taken on the basis that the overture was "out of accord" with the wishes of a prior General Assembly, exceeded its constitutional authority, however well-intended. The Respondent's actions rest on accord, not authority, and in our polity, accord without authority is no authority at all.

First Urge for Broader Resolution: *First and Second Reading Practices*

The disposition of this case did not require the Commission to decide whether the practice of first and second readings for presbytery overtures is itself constitutionally permissible. The matter proposed by the Complainant did not erroneously fail because of that practice, but because the Presbytery declined to docket it at all.

The Complainant nevertheless questioned the constitutional status of such practices, and the Respondent relied upon them in its defense. Because the issue implicates the relationship between express constitutional rights and non-mandated procedural customs, and because such arguments are likely to recur, it deserves additional consideration.

The question presented is not whether a presbytery may adopt orderly procedures for the consideration of overtures. It may. The question is whether such procedures, when not mandated by the Constitution or bylaws, may be given priority over an express constitutional right.

A distinction must be maintained between expressed provisions and procedural custom. Expressed provisions are those powers and rights affirmatively granted by the *Book of Order*. They define what must be honored and what may not be withheld. Procedural custom, by contrast, consists of wise/"best" practices, non-mandatory procedures, parliamentary conveniences, and local habits developed over time. Such practices may promote order and efficiency, but they possess no independent legal force unless the Constitution or bylaws explicitly confer it.

The principle that demands emphasis is this: procedures exist to serve expressed rights; they do not exist to defeat them. By illustration, a presbytery may adopt a practice requiring ascending overtures to be submitted in a certain manner or by a certain advance date. That procedure channels the exercise of a session's right. But if the presbytery were to refuse to receive any overture submitted by a session merely on the ground that it prefers to avoid controversial subjects for a season, that would no longer serve the right, it would nullify it. The former regulates method; the latter extinguishes substance.

The Respondent contends that first and second readings are a longstanding and accepted practice; that the Constitution does not prohibit them; and that they may therefore govern how overtures are handled. The premise is accurate. The conclusion is not.

The failure lies in treating silence as authorization. The Constitution's silence concerning first and second readings does not elevate practice to constitutional status; it preserves the rights that are expressly granted. To reason otherwise would be to suggest that whatever the Constitution does not forbid, a court may impose. That is not how a polity governed by a written Constitution works. The absence of a prohibition does not create authority.

The Book of Government 18-3.N grants Sessions the right to overture Presbytery. The Constitution contains no requirement of multiple readings as a condition of receipt. From this it follows that a practice not found in the Constitution may regulate the manner in which a right is exercised, but it may not determine whether the right is exercised at all.

When a non-mandated practice is employed to delay, deny, or condition the receipt of an overture, it ceases to be merely procedural and becomes substantive. At that point it operates, not as a channel of constitutional process, but as a barrier to it.

Stated concisely: the Constitution grants Sessions the right to overture Presbytery. The practice of first and second readings, while not prohibited, is not itself a provision of the Constitution or of the Respondent's bylaws. Such a practice may regulate the manner of consideration, but it may not be employed to suspend, condition, nullify, or delay the consideration of a constitutional right. Where a conflict arises, express provisions control over procedural custom. Procedural practices may channel the exercise of rights; they may not condition their existence.

Second Urge for Broader Resolution: *The "Gentleman's Agreement"*[1]

The Complainant asked this Commission to determine whether the concluding stipulation reflected in Assembly Item 44-43, now recorded as *Act of Assembly* 24-05 (§Office of the Minister, p. 216, 2025-2026), is unconstitutional. The Commission has declined to rule on that question. I respectfully believe this case presented an appropriate occasion to consider its constitutional effect.

The controlling issue is not the wisdom of restraint, the desirability of unity, or the prudence of awaiting the report of a denominational study committee. The sole question is one of authority.

This case presented an appropriate opportunity to clarify a matter of enduring constitutional importance: whether one General Assembly may, by expression of "opinion and wish," effectively bind future Assemblies or subordinate courts in the exercise of rights granted by the Constitution. That question transcends the present controversy in our beloved corner of Zion, the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. The subject matter will change. The constitutional principle will not.

The General Assembly's desire to provide an Ad-Interim Committee a season of unpressured deliberation is understandable and commendable. Nothing here questions that impulse. The issue is not whether the Assembly may encourage restraint, but whether it may enforce restraint by suspending the constitutional rights of Sessions and Presbyteries to overture.

The Constitution grants lower courts the right to overture the next higher court, in regular gradation (**G**.1-11; 3-1; 18-3.N). No provision authorizes the Assembly to place those rights in abeyance, even temporarily, by resolution. Assembly Item 44-43 (*AoA* 24-05) did not amend the Constitution and did not claim to. It expressed a sentiment which, fairly interpreted, acknowledged those constitutional limits.[2] Encouragement and authority are not the same. Opinions and wishes do not carry the authority of order.

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[1] I use the phrase "Gentleman's Agreement" only because it appears in the record. The label is colloquial, imprecise, and confers no judicial weight. Whatever its name, the issue before the Court is the constitutional effect, if any, of the understanding described.

[2] The text of *Acts of Assembly* 24-05 excludes the stipulation of this so-called "Gentleman's Agreement," perhaps by acknowledgement, that even among statutory provisions of the constitution, it possesses no binding authority.

If an Assembly's "opinion and wish" may operate to suspend enumerated rights, then those rights exist only at the pleasure of a majority. That is not polity conducted according to a written constitution. Rights secured by text may be altered only by amendment, not by expectation.

For that reason, I believe the Commission should have found that Assembly Item 44-43 (*AoA* 24-05), properly understood, could not bind Sessions or Presbyteries in the exercise of their rights to overture the higher court.

Conclusion

These additional matters, in which the Commission has exercised restraint in declining to address, were properly before us, and I would have welcomed their resolution. While appreciating the impulse toward restraint, in this instance clarity on such matters is a better servant of the peace of the Church.

Taken together, these issues reveal a single constitutional principle: in our polity, authority flows from text, not from tradition, preference, or prudence. Expressed provisions govern. Practices serve rights; they do not defeat them. Advisory guidance may exhort; it may not command. Jurisdiction is to be exercised within, and not beyond, the limits of constitutional authority.

For these reasons, I respectfully concur in the judgment and write separately to express why the additional grounds for relief, in my view, should have been addressed.

TE Zachary Hopkins

This concurring opinion is joined by RE Gordon Miller
RE Donald Flater

THE PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION

of

THE EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ROBERT MCCLELLAND, TEACHING ELDER, *v.*
PRESBYTERY OF THE CENTRAL CAROLINAS

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

[December 30, 2025]

This commission has received and reviewed the complaint filed by Teaching Elder Robert McClelland (the "Complainant") against the Presbytery of the Central Carolinas (the "Respondent").

Our first duty is to determine under *Book of Discipline* section D.14-8A whether the complaint states grounds on which relief may be granted. We conclude that it does, subject to the provisions of this order.[1]

I. Alleged Procedural History[2]

On April 10, 2025, several elders from the Complainant's congregation filed a Form 1 Charge against him, alleging violations of the *Book of Discipline* and certifying compliance with the preliminary requirements of Matthew 18:15-16 and Galatians 6:1.

A judicial investigative committee of the Respondent reported to the presbytery on September 27, 2025, recommending a charge of immorality and a charge of contempt. Based on that report, the Respondent's stated clerk signed a Form 4 Indictment on October 9, 2025.

The Complainant retained defense counsel on October 27, 2025, and objections to the indictment were filed the same day. An amended indictment, specifying certain additional charges, was issued on October 31, 2025. The Complainant filed a motion to dismiss.

[1] Because we are addressing a threshold matter, nothing in this order confirms the guilt or innocence of the Complainant concerning the charges against him.

[2] This procedural history is drawn from the allegations stated in the complaint, which, solely for purposes of this order, we have assumed are true. We have not, however, made any findings as to the complaint's factual accuracy.

Acting through its judicial commission, the Respondent authorized mediation as an alternative to proceeding to trial.[3] Mediation thereafter occurred, and the Complainant and the Respondent's prosecutor reached an agreement intended to resolve the matter.

That mediated settlement agreement was presented to the Presbytery's judicial commission on December 5, 2025. The judicial commission declined to give effect to the settlement, determining it to be "null and void ab initio" pursuant to section D.3-2C.3.[4] The judicial commission also partially denied Complainant's motion to dismiss.

In response, the Complainant and the Respondent's prosecutor submitted a modified settlement agreement. The judicial commission's moderator informed counsel for the Complainant and the Respondent's prosecutor that the commission intended to proceed to trial and would not consider the modified settlement.

The Complainant then timely filed the instant complaint, alleging, among other things, that the Respondent erred by failing to consider the modified settlement and by partially denying the motion to dismiss. He asks us to enter appropriate relief, including "a stay of all sanctions currently being imposed until this case is finally decided."

On December 17, 2025, this commission prospectively stayed "all further judicial action against the Complainant by the Respondent in this matter, including, without limitation, proceeding to trial."

No trial has occurred. No final disposition of the charges has been entered. During the pendency of these and the below proceedings, however, the Complainant has been restricted from the pulpit and from other pastoral functions.[5]

II. Standing

We find that the Complainant has standing to bring this complaint. The Complainant is a Teaching Elder subject to the Respondent's judicial authority, is the defendant in the disciplinary proceedings below, and alleges present aggrievement arising from the Respondent's actions in those proceedings.

III. Scope of Review

At this stage, our review is limited to determining whether the complaint plausibly alleges constitutional error by the Respondent for which we could grant relief.[6] In conducting this review, we do not defer to a lower court's characterization of its own actions as constitutionally required.

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[3] It is not clear whether "the written consent of all necessary individuals as determined by the court or commission referring the matter for mediation" was secured as required in section D.3-2A. There is also no indication whether the parties agreed to be bound as specified in section D.3-2C. However, the judicial commission's moderator twice cited D.3-2C as the basis for rejecting the mediated agreement. We assume for the purposes of this order, therefore, that the mediation was conducted as required in section D.3-2.

[4] D.3-2C.3 states in relevant part, "[N]o settlement can be entered into which conflicts shall conflict with any provision of the Constitution of the EPC. Any such settlement will be considered null and void ab initio (from the beginning)."

[5] D.7-7.

[6] D.14-8A.

IV. Findings

Assuming the facts pled to be true, we find that the complaint states grounds on which relief may be granted within the meaning of *Book of Discipline* section D.14-8A.

The complaint alleges that the Respondent authorized mediation pursuant to the *Book of Discipline* and that the parties reached a mediated settlement agreement disposing of the pending charges. The complaint further alleges that the Respondent, acting through its judicial commission, declined to give effect to that settlement for reasons other than constitutional noncompliance.

In addition, the complaint alleges that the Respondent declined to review a modified settlement agreement entered in response to identified concerns and instead indicated its intent to proceed toward trial.

These allegations raise constitutional and procedural questions. Was the Respondent justified in rejecting the mediated settlement agreement? Was the Respondent justified in failing to consider or to give effect to the modified settlement agreement? Resolving these questions does not require a trial, as it does not concern adjudication of guilt or innocence, but rather an evaluation of the constitutional authority exercised by the Respondent.[7]

V. Orders

Pursuant to *Book of Discipline* section 14-8B, we order as follows:

1. The Respondent shall appoint one or more representatives to defend the complaint.
2. The Respondent shall file an answer no later than Thursday, January 29, 2026. The answer shall respond to each allegation in the complaint and shall set forth with specificity all defenses on which the Respondent relies.
3. The Respondent shall provide the full record as required by section D.14-8C.[8]
4. All further judicial action against the Complainant by the Respondent in this matter, including, without limitation, proceeding to trial, shall continue to be stayed pending further order of this commission.

We expressly reserve authority to extend, lift, or modify the stay of proceedings below, as well as the current suspension of the Complainant's pastoral responsibilities. We also reserve authority to issue such further orders and relief as may be required or advisable under the *Book of Discipline*.[9]

So ORDERED.

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[7] If we ultimately hold that the mediated settlement was binding and constitutionally valid, we will necessarily determine the scope of the relief to be granted. Such relief could include, without limitation, dismissal of the charges resolved by the settlement.

[8] The record in this matter dates from at least April 10, 2025, when charges were originally brought, and shall include, without limitation, any written agreement by parties to be bound by mediation and to comply with the requirements of D.3-2.

[9] The parties are encouraged to dispute with one another in a manner that maintains the honor of our Lord. See D.14-12.

PRESBYTERY REVIEW COMMITTEE

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-prc/

The Presbytery Review Committee (PRC) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Working from a common set of specific requirements for EPC Presbytery Minutes reflecting the EPC Constitution, the Rules for Assembly, and certain of the Acts of the Assembly, two members of the Committee read each set of the Minutes from at least 4 of our 16 presbyteries and presented those for concurrence by the entire Committee.
2. The Committee also reviewed the responses from the various presbyteries to those Exceptions cited for their 2024 Minutes to approve the acceptability of those responses.
3. The Committee also reviewed the lists of attendees for all Presbytery Stated Meetings for 2025 to ascertain the level of commitment by all EPC church sessions to our Presbyterian form of government as reflected in their attendance at the meetings of their presbytery.

Recommendations

46-66: That the 46th General Assembly approve the Exceptions requiring a response as found in the 2025 minutes of 14 of our 16 Presbyteries.

46-67: That the 46th General Assembly approve the responses of the Presbyteries to those Exceptions sent to them by the 45th General Assembly.

Work of the Committee

The foundational basis for this annual review is the connectional character of our Presbyterian denomination. As the Book of Government 16-3 states: " Because all courts of the Church have a mutual connection with one another, the act of each court should be considered representative of the whole Church. Therefore, no one court is separate and distinct from all the other courts. This mutuality and connectivity find expression in the right of review and control in the ascending order of the courts." Maintaining an accurate consistency between presbyteries ensures that both the legal and historical record of each presbytery is preserved for the reference and understanding of future generations.

Of necessity, this Committee's task is compressed into the eight weeks between the receipt of certified Minutes for at least three Stated Meetings held by each of our 16 presbyteries during the calendar year 2025 and the publication deadline for the docket of this General Assembly. This review requires that at least two members of the Committee read each set of Minutes submitted by each of the EPC's 16 presbyteries and then meet online with the Chairman to reach concurrence on any required changes and final approval. This can only be accomplished by having a team of committed Ruling Elders and Teaching Elders with a good understanding of the requirements of the Book of Order, the Rules for Assembly, and the pertinent Acts of the

Assembly. It also requires a competent and dedicated support staff from the Office of the General Assembly. Vanessa Mullendore from the Office of the General Assembly supported us again this year.

This year we found that 2 of our 16 presbyteries had no Exceptions. Although a few were new to the demands of the tasks of Presbytery Stated Clerk, all have taken their assignment very seriously and are improving each year.

The Committee continued a recent practice of reporting to the General Assembly the number of churches who apparently did not have any representation at any of the meetings of their presbytery during the year 2025. Although this fraction has been relatively stable since it was reported as 10% in 2021, we found that it has apparently risen to 20% overall, with a variation among the presbyteries from 0% to 34%, for the year 2025.

Recommendations (Detailed)

RECOMMENDATION 46-66

Recommends that the 45th General Assembly approve the following Exceptions requiring a response as found in the 2025 Minutes of 14 of our 16 Presbyteries.

Alleghenies

a. Period of time for term of service not specified-TE Andy Moore, Assistant Pastor, Bellefield EPC. Mtg. 54, Pg. 1308-1309, 11C, **G**. 10.6.A; *Acts of Assembly* 02-04.4

Central Carolinas

a. No Disparity Correction action taken. Mtgs. 8/9/10, B 19-2A.4b, *Acts of Assembly* -05-08

b. No area of responsibility specified for TE Tim Carey. Mtg. 8, pg. 17, 30-31, **G**. 10-5, Acts of Assembly 02-04

c. Membership of the Presbytery's Ministerial Committee unreported. **G**. 21-2

Central South

a. No definite term of Service listed for Commissioned Pastor Kirk. Mtg. 124, pg. 1158, 124.09 5. **G**. 9-11A

b. No primary areas of responsibilities listed for TE Franklin as Associate Pastor. Mtg. Called, pg. 1183, 5. **G**. 10-5

Coastal Mid-Atlantic

a. No review of Session records reported. Mtgs, 8,9,10. **G**. 19-4A7. *Acts of Assembly* 07-08

b. TE King's position on Westminster not recorded. Mtg. 10, pg. 4-5, 1.16. **G**. 12-4

c. Dates of installation and installation commissions for TEs Schmemmerhorn and Brooks not in minutes. Mtg. 8, pg. 5-6, 1.15.01-7. **G**. 13-1A. **G**. 21-1C.2.b

d. It was unclear whether TEs Schmemmerhorn and Brooks both declared exceptions to Westminster, or if only one did. Mtg. 8, pg. 5, 1.14.04. **G**. 12-4

East

a. No definite period of time for a term of service for Assistant Pastor Kim. Mtg. 133, pg. 1584, 133-13E. **G**. 10-6

b. The period of service many Out of Bound TEs are expired. They need to be renewed if they are still serving. Mtg. 133, pg. 1587, 133-13J, Mtg. 134, pg. 1634, 134-26H, Mtg. 135, pg. 1662, 135-22F. **G**. 10-8 B.2a.

c. Ministerial committee TE to RE members ratio must be within 1 of each other. It has 5 TE and 3 RE. Mtg.135, pg. 1654, 135-14.**G**. 21- 2

Florida and the Caribbean

a. No mention that TE Charlie Halleran was dismissed at a Congregational Meeting. Same for TE Bryn MacPhail. Mtg. 104, pg. 11, 104.12.5, Mtg. 106, pg. 8, 106.09. **G**. 14-1 B

b. A definite period of time for a term of service for Commissioned Pastors not listed for Leonilda Ruiz Perez. Mtg. 104, pg. 12-13, 104.12. **G**. 9.11 A

c. No definite period of time for a term of service for Stated Supply Pastor TE Paul Pepin. Mtg. 104, pg. 17, 104.19 3. **G**. 10-7 A.2.a

d. No definite period of time for a term of service for TE Dr. Gregory Perry serving out of Bounds. Mtg. 105, pg. 7-10, 105.9. **G**. 10-8 B.2.a

e. There is no record in the Minutes listing the members of the Ministerial Committee. Mtgs. 103, 104, 105, 106. **G**. 21-2 A

f. There is no record of responses to the PRC for Exceptions to the 2024 Minutes. Mtg. 106, pg. 7, 106.06, letter from GA

Great Plains

a. No record of examination of TE Matthew Jaderston and TE Jeff Sparks; positions not specified for TEs Spencer and Jaderston. Mtg. 34, pg. 679-680, 34.05.F, 34.07.I,J. **G**. 12-2 through 5, **G**. 13- 1 through 7, **G**. 19-4B1-7, **G**. 21-1A.2 and **G**. 21-1C.2.b.

b. Candidate Julien de Leiris: period of time for a term of service not specified. Mtg. 34, pg. 680, 34.07. **G**. 10-5, 10-6, *Acts of Assembly* 02-04

c. Candidate Cody Pritchett's pastor is advisor. Candidate Timothy Roberts' pastor is advisor. Mtg. 34, pg. 678-679, 34.05.C, 34.05.D. **G**. 11-2E, *Acts of Assembly* 06-08

d. Candidate Collin Grant's pastor is his advisor. Mtg. 36, pg. 12, 36-14.E. **G**. 11-2E, *Acts of Assembly* 06-08

Gulf South

a. No indication that Candidate Mook was examined by the Presbytery. Mtg. 32, pg. 233-234, 32.13. **G**. 11-2 C

b. No particular area of responsibility listed for Assistant Pastors: TE Fike, TE Ramer, TE Hutson. Mtg. 33, pg. 254, 33.19 2)g), i), Mtg. 34, pg. 279, 34.21 2. **G**. 10-6, *Acts of Assembly* 02-04

c. No particular area of responsibility listed for Associate Pastor Walker. Mtg. 34, pg. 279, 34.21 3. **G**. 10-5, *Acts of Assembly* 02-04

Mid-America

a. Stated Meeting ending in "Blessing" not Prayer. Mtg. 101, pg. 1582-1583,102, pg. 1583, 102.16. **G**. 16-1A

Midwest

a. Exam of a TE from another denomination does not list educational credentials or experience and spiritual growth. Mtg. 184, pg. 649, 184-06, 184-06, Mtg. 186, pg. 758, 186-08, **G**. 12.3B.1&2

b. Exam of a TE from another denomination does not list educational credentials or experience and spiritual growth. Mtg. 184, pg. 653, 184-12, **G**. 12.3B.1

c. Executive Sessions. Mtgs. 184, 185, 186, pg. 658-659, pg. 692, pg. 757-758, 184-24, 185-20, 186-07-08. Executive Sessions may be used for sensitive discussions but any motions resulting from such discussions must be done in open session so that they can be recorded in the Minutes of the meeting.

Pacific Southwest

a. The minutes did not report the names of all members of the ministerial committee at this meeting nor at the meeting in 2024. Mtg. 22, pg. 347, 22-10. **G**. 21-2

Rivers and Lakes

a. Page 701 missing. Mtg. 43, pg. 701, missing sections 43.11- 43.18

Southeast

a. There is no provision in the EPD Constitution for maintaining a second (secret?) set of Minutes for any of its courts since all Minutes must be reviewed by the next highest court. Mtg. 124, pg. 394, 126-22, Mtg. 125 pg. 415, 124-24. **G**.2-4A, Rules for Assembly 9-12B

b. Report not opened with prayer. Mtg. 124, pg. 394, 124-20

West

a. No review of Session minutes. Mtgs, 134, 135, 135. **G**. 19-4A7, *Acts of Assembly* 07-08, Rules for Assembly 9-12.**G**.9

b. Actual count of votes on Descending Overture 44-A not recorded. Mtg. 134, pg. 4, 134.5. **G**. 19-4C2

c. Roster of the Ministerial Committee not reported in 1st meeting nor at the last meeting of the previous year. Mtg. 134. **G**. 12-2

d. Ten days notice not documented for called meeting. Mtg. Called 1-2-25, pg. 1, 1-2-25.2. **G**. 19-5

e. Complete list of attendees not included. Mtg. Called 1-2-25, pg. 1, 1-2-25.2. *Acts of Assembly* 03-04.4, **G**. 19-5B

f. An agenda was adopted, but purpose of called meeting not clearly stated. Mtg. Called 1-2-25, pg. 1, 1-2-25.2. **G**. 7-10, **G**. 19-5B

RECOMMENDATION 46-67

Recommends that the 46th General Assembly recognize the approval of the responses from the Presbyteries to those Exceptions sent to them by the 45th General Assembly.

Rationale: Those responses were received in a timely fashion from all of those Presbyteries cited at the 45th General Assembly and reviewed by members of the Committee. The presbyteries reviewed include: Alleghenies, Central Carolinas, Central South, Coastal Mid Atlantic, East, Florida and the Caribbean, Great Plains, Gulf South, Mid-America, Midwest, Pacific Northwest, Southeast, and the West.

Committee Members

Ronald Bengelink (Chairman)
RE, Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest

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RE, Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest

Cheryl Followell
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Mark Willems
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Jane Bodden
RE, Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean

Keith Hopkins
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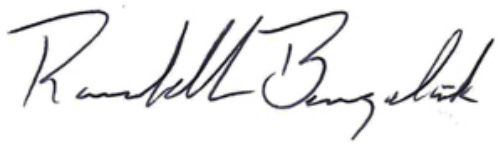
Jason Steele
TE, Presbytery of the Midwest

Christopher Rhodes
RE, Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest

Meeting Dates

March 6, 2026: Video Conference
March 19, 2026: (Subcommittee) Video Conference
March 24, 2026: (Subcommittee) Video Conference
March 26, 2026: (Subcommittee) Video Conference
March 31, 2026: (Subcommittee) Video Conference
April 2, 2026: (Subcommittee) Video Conference
April 7, 2026: (Subcommittee) Video Conference
April 9, 2026: (Subcommittee) Video Conference
April 14, 2026: (Subcommittee) Video Conference
April 23, 2026: Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,



Ron Bengelink, Chairman
June 2026

STATED CLERK

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-stated-clerk/

The Stated Clerk reports to the 46th General Assembly on his work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

Maybe it's my age, season of life or the calling I have received, but I have spent a lot of time in the last few months reflecting on unity in the Body of Christ. Anchored in our text for this 46th General Assembly, I have gone deeper into Ephesians 4 to mine its heavenly treasures. It was the heart of King David (Psalm 133); the focus of much the Apostle Paul's pastoral letters (I Corinthians 12) and of course the very prayer of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ (John 17). The reality is, we live in a fallen world, and the Church of Jesus Christ is not immune to the ravages of the Fall. Much, too much, like the societies in which we live, we are fractured, and that divided witness does not reflect well on the fallen, fractured world. Our witness is diminished, and the heart of God weeps. I weep.

Twice in Ephesians 4 the Apostle Paul calls his beloved church at Ephesus to unity. First, he exhorts them to "maintain" unity, and then later he calls his listeners to "attain" unity. Interestingly, he does not instruct us to create, build, or work at unity. For Paul, as for Jesus, unity of the Body of Christ was a gift, anchored in the unity of the Triune God. Jesus prayed that we would be one, as He and the Father were one. He prayed this knowing our fallen and sinful propensity to pull apart -for a myriad of reasons, all seemingly right and righteous to us as we pull away from one another. Paul said this gift of unity is something we are called to maintain.

For years, our motto, "In the essentials unity; in non-essentials liberty; and in all things charity," has been a rallying cry of unity that has held us together. Today those bonds are being sorely tested. This is not to diminish the seriousness of the debate we are currently having, for the sake of unity; the concern being a "unity at the expense of theological fidelity." That is not the kind of unity I am speaking of, nor the kind Paul exhorted or for which Jesus prayed. We have had difficult conversations before, and we will again in the future. That is the nature of things in our fallen world. But I am convinced, my beloved, that as Paul concludes in Ephesians 4, we are better together!

This has been a very full and challenging year in many ways. My pastor, Doug Walker of RiverCity EPC in Debary, FL, preached through the book of Ecclesiastes this year. That's a heavy lift. One verse, among many that has been shaping me is Ecclesiastes 7:14 – "In the day of prosperity be joyful, and in the day of adversity consider God has made the one as well as the other…" This year has been filled with both wonderful blessings and considerable adversity.

I was blessed to preach thirteen times this year. Something I have really missed since leaving pastoral ministry. Some were wonderful celebrations like the 200th Anniversary of the Hanover EPC Church in southwest Pennsylvania and the high energy multi-generational worship of

Manoa Community Church (former Bart Hess Award winner) outside of Philadelphia and others more difficult like speaking at the memorial services of dear pastor friends Rob Sparr and Scott McKee who graduated to glory. Preaching at the historic Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church in Bangor, Ireland, and then the prolific church planting Orangefield Presbyterian Church in Belfast, were definitely highlights. I'll long cherish the memory of singing "Be Thou My Vision" at Hamilton Road -that was truly special.

I attended seven presbytery meetings this year and have now visited all 16 presbyteries at least once and some multiple times since becoming Stated Clerk 5 years ago. Witnessing the alignment of our Gospel Priorities in each of our presbyteries has been a great encouragement in watching our family of churches on mission together. I cherish the annual meetings of our presbytery Stated Clerks (1 in person and now another via Zoom) and presbytery Moderators (also 1 in person and 1 online). The fellowship of these groups is sweet, and the unity is thick. What a gift. Other highlights would be our World Outreach Family Gathering in Cyprus last summer, our annual Small Church Summit, and preaching at the commencement ceremony of our partner Knox Theological Seminary this Spring.

Perhaps above all else, I have been richly blessed to serve alongside the faithful and talented brothers and sisters of the National Leadership Team and staff in the Office of the General Assembly. In all the years I have served on the NLT as a member, Moderator, and now Stated Clerk, I have never worked with such a strong, dedicated, and sacrificial group of servant leaders. Living in Florida has enabled me to be in the office every week (unless I am traveling) and allowed me to really get to know and help grow our staff. Our mission in the OGA is to "Serve those who carry out the Great Commission," and nobody does it better. Perhaps the greatest joy of being on these two teams is that they are together, fully unified in our love of the Lord, commitment to His Word, and dedication to our mission. There is much more to celebrate this year. Please be sure to explore the reports of our nine permanent committees, three ad-interim committees, and of course, our Gospel Priorities to see the many ways we are on mission to join the Holy Spirit in carrying out the Great Commission. While numbers don't tell the whole story, they do point the way. Here are a few numbers to praise God for His faithfulness among us.

A few important “measurables” for this past year might include the following:

Metric	2024-2025	2025-2026	% Change / Notes
EPC Total Membership	125757	126282	0.3% up
Congregations	626	619	1.1% down
Dismissals	6	16	
Received	6	18	
Dissolved	4	7	
Church Plants	47	45	
Baptisms Adults	870	1122	29% up
Adult Professions of Faith (18+)	2285	2453	7.4% up
Baptisms Children	1629	1850	13.6% up
Professions of Faith (under 18)	1339	1440	7.5% up
POI			Up 3.8% from same time last year (end of April)
Cash Reserves			Unrestricted and designated cash reserve total: $718,849
Operating Reserves			2.42 months
Rolling Average	$207,880	$223,942	7.7% improvement (end of April)

As a Stated Clerk, who is also a pastor, I am going into our 46th General Assembly praying for unity among our family of churches. Both because it is a gift given to us by God, and because it is essential to our witness to those who don’t know Christ. And after all, our mission is to carry out the Great Commission. When I look at all the Lord has been doing in and through us this past year, I am humbled and hopeful. One thing I know in reflecting on God’s Word and God’s faithfulness is that in carrying out the Great Commission, we are much Better Together!

Blessings,

Coram Deo!

Respectfully submitted,

D. Dean Weaver
June 2026

Churches Received, Dissolved, & Dismissed

May 1, 2025 – April 30, 2026

Received:

Presbytery of the Alleghenies

Church	City	State	Received	From
Grace & Peace Presbyterian Church	Pittsburgh	PA	Sept 2025	PCUSA
Hebron Church	Pittsburgh	PA	Sept 2025	PCUSA
Faith Community EPC	Hermitage	PA	Feb 2026	PCUSA

Presbytery of the Central South

Church	City	State	Received	From
Church of the Cross Birmingham	Vestavia	AL	Aug 2025	Church Plant
First Presbyterian Church	Brownsville	TN	April 2026	PCUSA
The Way City Church	Birmingham	AL	April 2026	Church Plant

Presbytery of Coastal Mid-Atlantic

Church	City	State	Received	From
Harvest Church	Garner	NC	Sept 2025	PCUSA
Bunnlevel Presbyterian Church	Bunnlevel	NC	April 2026	PCUSA

Presbytery of the East

Church	City	State	Received	From
Church of the Gunks	Montgomery	NY	Jan 2026	Church Plant
City Line Church	Bala Cynwyd	PA	May 2025	PCA
First PC of South Amboy	Amboy	NJ	Nov 2025	PCUSA

Presbytery of Great Plains

Church	City	State	Received	From
First Presbyterian Church	Derby	KS	Sept 2025	PCUSA

Presbytery of Midwest

Church	City	State	Received	From
First Presbyterian Church	Harrison	OH	Jan 2026	PCUSA

Presbytery of New River

Church	City	State	Received	From
Berry Hill Presbyterian Church	South Boston	VA	PCUSA	PCUSA

Presbytery of the Rivers and Lakes

Church	City	State	Received	From
First Presbyterian Church	Holland	MN	Sept 2025	PCUSA
First PC of Oostburg	Ooslburg	WI	April 2026	ECC

Presbytery of the West

Church	City	State	Received	From
Open Door PC	Richardson	TX	May 2025	Church Plant

Dismissed and Dissolved:

Presbytery of the Alleghenies

Church	City	State	Received	Dismissed
Friendship Avenue Church	Pittsburgh	PA	Sept 2008	Dec 2025
Slickville PC	Slickville	PA	May 2015	May 2025

Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

Church	City	State	Received	Dismissed
Grace Haven PC	Lexington	SC	Oct 2011	Feb 2026
Indian Hill PC	Stanfield	NC	Nov 2013	Sept 2025
Grace Haven PC	Irmo	SC	Oct 2011	Feb 2026
House of Mercy	Asheville	NC	Unknown	Sept 2025

Presbytery of the Central South

Church	City	State	Received	Dismissed
Sylvania PC	Ward	AR	Jan 2002	Dec 2025

Presbytery of the Central South

Church	City	State	Received	Dissolved
Covenant PC	Columbus	MS	Dec 1988	May 2025
First Presbyterian Church	Tallassee	AL	Feb 2010	May 2025

Presbytery of the Great Plains

Church	City	State	Received	Dismissed
Mt. Pleasant PC	Abilene	KS	April 2025	Jan 2026

Presbytery of the Gulf South

Church	City	State	Received	Dismissed
Memorial PC	San Augustine	TX	Oct 2012	Jan 2026

Presbytery of the New River

Church	City	State	Received	Dismissed
Piedmont PC	Callaway	VA	Oct 2013	Oct 2025

Presbytery of the New River

Church	City	State	Received	Dissolved
New Hope Community	Lychburg	VA	Jan 2020	Mar 2026

Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest

Church	City	State	Received	Dismissed
Sanger Community Church	Sanger	CA	Jan 2003	May 2025

Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest

Church	City	State	Received	Dissolved
The Table Church	San Francisco	CA	Oct 2018	Jun 2025

Presbytery of the Rivers and Lakes

Church	City	State	Received	Dismissed
Faith PC of Quincy	Quincy	IL	Jan 2011	July 2025
Christ Alone Church	Green Bay	WI	Jan 2011	Jun 2025

Presbytery of the West

Church	City	State	Received	Dismissed
Mountain Road Church	Fruit Heights	UT	Dec 2013	July 2025
First Church of Artesia	Artesia	NM	Feb 2014	May 2025

Presbytery of the West

Church	City	State	Received	Dissolved
First PC of Hagerman	Hagerman	NM	Feb 2014	Feb 2026

THEOLOGY COMMITTEE

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-theology/

The Theology Committee (THEO) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. The Theology Committee has reviewed the current EPC position paper on Divorce and Remarriage.

Recommendations

The Theology Committee has no recommendations to present to the 46th General Assembly.

Work of the Committee

Following the Reformed tradition of returning to the sources, we have begun a careful study of Scripture, the Westminster Standards, other relevant theological works, and the EPC Position Paper on Human Sexuality. We are working slowly and deliberately to make sure our understandings are theologically grounded and sound to address the issues and questions given to us.

Beginning the task of revising the current paper on Divorce and Remarriage at this stage would be premature. We plan to begin writing during Fall 2026.

Recommendations (Detailed)

The Theology Committee has no recommendations to present to the 46th General Assembly.

Committee Members

Carol Williams (Chairman)
RE, Presbytery of the Alleghenies

David Buschart
RE, Presbytery of the West

Stephanie Black
TE, Presbytery of the Coastal Mid-Atlantic

Todd Erickson
TE, Presbytery of the Central South

Meeting Dates

November 5-6, 2025: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, FL)
January 14, 2026: Video Conference
February 11, 2026: Video Conference
March 11, 2026: Video Conference
April 8, 2026: Video Conference
May 13, 2026: Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Williams, Chairman
June 2026

WORLD OUTREACH COMMITTEE

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-wo/

The World Outreach Committee (WOC) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Mobilized the church for global mission by commissioning new workers, expanding training initiatives, and strengthening outreach both globally and locally.
2. Supported global workers through comprehensive Member Care services, including counseling, crisis response, and the launch of a new international care center.
3. Expanded theological education worldwide through ITEN by strengthening partnerships, training leaders across multiple regions, and developing new ministry initiatives.
4. Continued the ongoing development of the Engage initiative (formerly Engage 2025) through deeper commitment to respective presbytery people groups, wider partnership consideration, and stronger collaboration.
5. Advanced global engagement and church participation through training programs, mission cohorts, and strategic international collaboration.
6. Strengthened organizational effectiveness through internal restructuring, leadership development, and a renewed focus on collaboration and long-term mission impact.

Recommendations

46-56: That World Outreach Committee recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE amending *Rules for Assembly* 10-1.B to expand committee members from nine (9) to twelve (12) members.

Work of the Committee

Mobilizing the Church for Global Mission

This year, the committee made significant progress in mobilizing the church for God's mission by focusing on sending, training, and engaging believers. Seventeen new global workers were commissioned, marking a tangible step forward in expanding the church's presence among the nations. At the same time, training initiatives such as Kairos, which equipped over 80 participants, and the launch of The Unfinished Story for Youth helped cultivate a growing awareness of global mission across generations.

In addition to training, the committee facilitated strategic international trips to regions such as Central Asia, South Asia, and the Middle East, strengthening partnerships and discerning future opportunities. New Diaspora Outreach leaders were also introduced to bridge global mission efforts with local church engagement, helping congregations see their role in reaching the nations both abroad and within their own communities.

Caring for Global Workers (Member Care)

The committee remained deeply committed to the health and sustainability of global workers by strengthening Member Care systems. This included providing pastoral care, counseling, spiritual direction, coaching, and crisis response to ensure workers and their families remained healthy, effective, and supported in their ministries. The team's expertise—rooted in cross-cultural experience and professional training—enabled a comprehensive, "full-circle" care approach.

A major milestone was the opening of "Soul Care Scotland," a new overseas care center designed to support workers facing crisis, burnout, or conflict, as well as those needing evacuation due to instability. Additionally, the global Family Gathering in Cyprus provided a unique opportunity for restoration, encouragement, and connection among workers from around the world. Despite these advances, rising costs and the need for additional funding partnerships remain ongoing challenges as the committee seeks to maintain best-practice care.

Expanding Theological Education (ITEN)

Through ITEN, the committee continued to invest in theological education as a means of strengthening and multiplying the global church. Training efforts expanded across multiple regions, including Southeast Asia, Sierra Leone, Central Asia, Eastern Europe, the Middle East, and Latin America. In just one Southeast Asian country, regular training sessions now equip dozens of leaders, while new people groups and regions are being reached through adapted curriculum and local partnerships.

Leadership transitions and global instability have presented challenges, particularly with retirements and disruptions in regions affected by conflict. However, the committee is actively addressing these through the development of new leaders, the introduction of ITEN Adjunct roles to broaden teaching capacity, and the initiation of new partnerships such as the upcoming Bangladesh training site. These efforts reflect a continued commitment to sustainable, locally rooted leadership development.

Continued Commitment and Development of "Engage" (formerly Engage 2025)

With the successful achievement of the Engage 2025 Initiative–to see all of our 16 presbyteries make a long-term commitment to seeing a multiplying national church develop and grow among chosen unreached people groups–the work is far from over. "Engage" is a movement, not a moment. And a long-term commitment requires adaptation, re-evaluation, and refreshment in order to continue. That process has brought new life to certain presbytery Engage partnerships, providing potential templates for others to glean from going forward.

Increasing Church Engagement and Global Participation

A key area of focus has been deepening the church's active participation in global mission. Through structured programs like Kairos and young adult mission cohorts, more individuals are discerning their roles in praying, sending, going, and welcoming. These initiatives are helping

shift mission from a specialized calling to a shared responsibility across the church. The committee has also emphasized engagement through collaboration and exposure, including strategic trips and diaspora-focused ministry efforts. By connecting global vision with local action, these efforts are fostering a more integrated and responsive mission culture within congregations, equipping them to participate meaningfully in God's work both near and far.

Strengthening Organizational Effectiveness and Unity

Internally, the committee has invested in strengthening its structure, collaboration, and long-term effectiveness. This has involved reorganizing teams, developing ministry plans, and intentionally cultivating a more unified and prayerful approach to decision-making. While these efforts may be less visible, they are foundational for sustaining and scaling future ministry impact.

At the same time, the committee has navigated leadership transitions, global uncertainties, and increasing complexity in cross-cultural ministry. Through ongoing discernment and flexibility, the team is positioning itself for a more streamlined and proactive approach to mobilization and engagement. These internal developments reflect a commitment not only to present effectiveness but also to long-term faithfulness in the mission.

Recommendations (Detailed)

RECOMMENDATION 46-56
That World Outreach Committee recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE amending Rules for Assembly 10-1.B to expand committee members from nine (9) to twelve (12) members.

Rationale:
This amendment is to increase the number of WOC members from 9 to 12. The purpose is to gain better representation across the 16 presbyteries and increase capacity for working sub-committees as World Outreach has grown by over 40% in the last 5 years.

Committee Members

Wes Peterson (Chairman)
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Meeting Dates

October 6-7, 2025: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, Florida)
January 8-9, 2026: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, Florida)
April 8-9, 2026: Video Conference
April 29-30, 2026: Email Communication

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Wes Peterson, Chairman
June 2026

AD-INTERIM COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY AND ACCESS

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-ad-interim-committee-on-disability-and-sacraments/

The Ad-Interim Committee on Disability and Access reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Examined our reformed sacramental theology and its impact on those with disabilities.
2. Agreed on a definition of disability.
3. Reflected on what Scripture and our Westminster standards say and do not say about the place of those with disabilities in the life of the church.
4. Explored what pastoral guidance might be offered to the church.
5. Created a first draft of a pastoral letter for GA consideration expecting feedback and input from our presbyteries.

Recommendations

46-03: The Ad-Interim Committee on Disability and Sacraments recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE a 1-year extension to allow for the work on the Pastoral Letter to gather feedback and input from our presbyteries, bringing the Pastoral Letter on Disability and Access to GA 2027.

46-04: The Ad-Interim Committee on Disability and Sacraments recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE members of the Ad-Interim Committee be invited to presbyteries for discussion and feedback on the proposed Pastoral Letter.

46-05: The Ad-Interim Committee on Disabilities and the Sacraments recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the expansion of the current Ad-Interim Committee's work to include the creation of a Position Paper on the EPC and Disability. This paper would come to the 48th General Assembly for a vote. The committee also seeks the committee to expand from nine to twelve members to accomplish this work.

Work of the Committee

The 44th General Assembly voted to create a moderator-appointed Ad-Interim Committee to draft a Pastoral Letter on Disability Access, especially regarding the Sacraments. Our committee finally came together that next February and the work began.

We began by sorting out what would be needed to accomplish the goal. We identified resources that would help guide our perspective on both the theology surrounding access to the sacraments and the experienced realities of an individual with a disability.

The committee identified specific progress markers.

- Agree on a definition and description of disability.

- Research and synthesize what scripture, our reformed values, our faith tradition, and trusted resources have to say about the subject.
- Create a draft of the pastoral letter for presentation at the 46th General Assembly.
- Personally share the draft with our presbyteries in the Fall and Winter 2026/27 expecting to present the final version for vote at the 47th General Assembly.

During the course of our work, we realized there were many important concepts concerning Disability and the Church that really needed to be acknowledged and yet fell beyond the scope of our original task. That is why we are recommending an expansion of this committee to create a position paper that will communicate to the general public that the EPC acknowledges and cares about this demographic.

The disabled community is considered by many to be the only minority group that any individual can join at any moment throughout life. And if we live long enough, all of us will join. We hope you find help in this first draft and hope to see you soon at your next presbytery meeting!

Recommendations (Detailed)

RECOMMENDATION 46-03

The Ad-Interim Committee on Disability and Sacraments recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE a 1-year extension to allow for the work on the Pastoral Letter to gather feedback and input from our presbyteries, bringing the Pastoral Letter on Disability and Sacraments to GA 2027.

Rational:

The subject is so important and our desire to be sure this pastoral letter is as comprehensive as possible caused us to realize we were not quite ready. This extension will allow us to engage with our presbyteries and create a resource that will truly be helpful.

RECOMMENDATION 46-04

The Ad-Interim Committee on Disability and Sacraments recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE members of the Ad-Interim Committee be invited to presbyteries for discussion and feedback on the proposed Pastoral Letter.

Rational:

An in-person visit with our presbyteries to present our work would provide an opportunity to hear responses and would be the most effective means of gathering input.

RECOMMENDATION 46-05

The Ad-Interim Committee on Disabilities and the Sacraments recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the expansion of the current Ad-Interim Committee's work to include the creation of a Position Paper on the EPC and Disability. This paper would come to the

48th General Assembly for a vote. The committee also seeks the committee to expand from nine to twelve members to accomplish this work.

Rational:

During the course of our work, we realized there were many important concepts concerning Disability and the Church that really needed to be acknowledged and yet fell beyond the scope of our original task. An expansion of this committee to create a position paper would communicate to the general public that the EPC acknowledges and cares about this demographic.

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Meeting Dates

September 9, 2025: Video Conference
October 28, 2025: Video Conference
January 12-15, 2026: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, Florida)
February 10, 2026: Video Conference
March 24, 2026: Video Conference
April 28, 2026: Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,

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AIC ON DISABILITY AND ACCESS APPENDIX 1: PASTORAL LETTER DRAFT

Introduction / Statement of Purpose

Every person bears the image of God (Genesis 1:27): people experiencing disability are no exception. As image-bearers every person needs to have the opportunity to hear the gospel and respond. God calls us to share the truth of the gospel in a manner that is accessible and receive a response in the manner it is offered. Those who respond in faith to Christ should receive the sacraments of Christ to strengthen them in their faith by the grace truly offered there (WLC 154, 162). Therefore, access to the sacraments for individuals and families experiencing disability is essential.

Disability Defined:

In order to proceed we need a common definition of disability.[1] [2] Disability for the purpose of our letter has an effect on the individual, the family, and the church.

Disability has an impact on an individual's life on a permanent and daily basis. Disabilities can be visible and invisible and include:

- Physical Disabilities affecting things like movement, posture, and limbs
- Sensory Disabilities often relating to sight and hearing
- Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD) affecting cognitive function, learning, and development
- Learning Disabilities resulting in specific challenges in acquiring knowledge
- Mental/Psychosocial Disabilities affecting mood, thinking, and behavior

Disability has both functional and social aspects. Functional aspects often refer to physical barriers that impede the ability to participate in the life of the church. Social aspects refer to attitudes and actions that often limit access and may lead to exclusion of individuals experiencing disabilities and their families from the church, either formally or informally.

Disability has an impact on families. Family members have a responsibility to care for each other [1 Timothy 5:8]. The family experiencing disability may undergo isolation (whether selfimposed and/or socially-imposed), shame, guilt, grief, financial-strain, time-strain, stress, selfdoubt, experiencing devaluation, and a lifetime imposition of relentless responsibility. Christ

[1] 1 in 4 adults and 1 in 6 children experience disability in the United States of America. Disability is the one minority group that anyone can join at any time and that most people will join at some point in their life. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, "Disability Impacts All of Us Infographic," last updated July 15, 2024, https://www.cdc.gov/disability-and-health/articles-documents/disability-impacts-all-of-us-infographic.html, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, "Developmental Disabilities," last modified February 9, 2024, https://www.cdc.gov/environmental-health-tracking/php/data-research/developmental-disabilities.html.

[2] Worldwide, the prevalence of disability was estimated to be 16% in 2023 according to the World Health Organization—though definition of disability can vary widely depending on the country. World Health Organization. "Disability and Health." March 7, 2023. https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/disabilityand-health.

calls the church to strengthen families in their faith and walk alongside all Christians through joys and trials. Christ provides the church, as his body, to disciple families and for families to utilize their spiritual gifts, abilities, and talents as the church.

Disability has an impact on the whole church. To exclude individuals and families who experience disability from active life in the church is to impoverish Christ's bride. The church must provide access to the ordinary means of grace—word, prayer, and the sacraments [WSC 88] to all Christians, including individuals and families experiencing disability. Our attitudes and actions as Christians must be shaped by our understanding that all people bear the image of God. All Christians are given gifts [1 Corinthians 12:7] and have a responsibility to use those gifts for the glory of God and the building up of the Church of Christ [1 Corinthians 12]. Ministry is not just to individuals experiencing disability but should also be with individuals experiencing disability and their families.

Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit, gives hope and grace to both families and the church through the ordinary means of grace, including the sacraments. The church is incomplete without the presence and participation of families and individuals experiencing disability. Access to the sacraments is one and the same with access to Jesus Christ himself. Since the Reformed Tradition has maintained that the most appropriate place for the administration of the sacraments is in the regular worship of the Christian Church, access to the place of worship cannot be separated from access to Christ himself as he reveals himself to the gathered community in word and sacrament.

Biblical and Confessional Background

The story of Scripture is one of God expanding and welcoming ever more people into his Church, the covenant community. Members of God's covenant community have received the sign and seal of God's covenant through sacraments. In the Old Testament, circumcision was unconditionally commanded by God for all males of his covenant people (Genesis 17:9-10). In placing an unconditional command on his people, God never excluded those experiencing disability from bearing the bodily sign of the covenant. Through Jesus Christ (Matthew 3:13-17; Mark 1:9-11; Luke 3:21-22), God instituted the sacrament of baptism, a sign that included women and Gentiles who put their faith in Jesus. The children of believers also receive baptism, the sacramental sign of the new covenant (see Acts 2:39, 1 Corinthians 7:14).

Jesus, in cleansing the Temple, provided access to "the blind and lame" to come to him (Matthew 21:14). It is the calling of the Church, therefore, to ensure that the Gospel is presented in a way that is comprehensible to all people that they too may come to Jesus. Jesus did not exclude any group based on ability from the Great Commission, but instead commands his Church to, "Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:18-20a). As disciples of Christ it is our joy to bring others to the Savior that they too may know through faith that their sins are forgiven (see Mark 2:1-12).

Presbyterians throughout the years have placed emphasis on the profession of faith (Romans 10:9) as a mark of belonging to Christ—and rightly so. Our God, who made us all in his image, calls people to faith through the regenerating power of the Holy Spirit. All those who put their faith in Jesus Christ will be saved (Mark 16:16; John 6:29; Acts 16:21; Romans 10:9). The Savior said, "All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out" (John 6:37). The Savior assures us that through our faith we have been placed in his safekeeping.

The Lord's covenant people, marked by blood on the doorposts, shared a covenant meal (Exodus 12). This Passover meal was repeated annually as remembrance and recapitulation of the promise of God to deliver his people from slavery through the dry ground of the sea (1 Corinthians 10:2). The Savior transformed the Passover meal into the new sacramental meal of the Lord's Supper (Matthew 26:17-29; Mark 14:12-25; Luke 22:7-22; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26). The Apostles, following the expansion of the new covenant in Christ, welcomed ever more people to the celebration of the Lord's Supper (Acts 2:42; Acts 20:7). The body of Christ is one when it shares in the one bread of the new covenant (1 Corinthians 10:17).

Throughout Scripture, many have been invited both into the covenant people of God and to the table of the king. Some have come because they feared the Lord and demonstrated their faith in action (Joshua 6:25). Others were invited because of conversion and gave evidence through their deep love of God's people (Ruth 1:16-17). Others have come as an act of grace born out of covenant love and found a seat at the king's table (2 Samuel 9). Others have come unexpectedly to the table of the king where he revealed himself in the breaking of the bread (Luke 24:35). The Savior welcomes all to come to him and find their rest in him (Matthew 11:28-30). Truly, "Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb" (Revelation 19:9) and for a foretaste of that glorious meal in our celebration of the Lord's Supper now. It is the joy and duty of elders to extend that invitation to the Lord's table to disciples now that they may find rest in Christ and have a foretaste of the heavenly banquet to come.

The Reformed Tradition teaches that both believers and the children of a believing parent are the proper subjects of baptism (WCF 28.4). In fact, the Westminster Confession states that neglecting baptism is a "great sin" (WCF 28.5). Thus, covenant children who experience disability have been, are, and continue to be recipients of baptism and thus are included in the covenant. The Westminster Confession states that "the power and effectiveness of the sacraments are the result of the work of the Spirit and rest on God's word instituting them, since his word authorizes their use and promises benefits to worthy receivers of them" (WCF 27.3). When members of the congregation receive those who are baptized, they commit themselves to supporting and nurturing them in the faith. This commitment to discipleship for the baptized is for everyone regardless of age and/or the disability experience.

The Westminster Standards call for a serious, informed reception of the Lord's Supper by those who receive it (WCF 29; WLC 168-175; WSC 96-97). Proper reception of the Supper as defined

by the Standards may be challenging even to those who do not face cognitive or speech difficulties. Historically Presbyterians have placed great value on a familiar verbal articulation of faith. The Westminster Confession of Faith, however, acknowledges that not all the faithful ("the elect") are able to offer up a profession of faith that meets those expectations. On the subject of Effectual Calling, the Confession states: "Elect infants, dying in infancy, are regenerated and saved by Christ, through the Spirit, who works when, where, and how he pleases. The same is true of all other elect persons who are incapable of being outwardly called by the ministry of the word" (WCF 10:2). Since the WCF leaves room for mystery when it comes to the working of God in the salvation of his people, Sessions should be open to the display of the work of God among those experiencing cognitive and verbal disabilities in ways that may be different from the familiar way that the faith is expressed by those who are admitted to the Lord's Table. We encourage Sessions to discover ways to discern the faith of those under their care in ways that are ability-appropriate to their situations.

Pastoral Guidance:

The sacrament of baptism should be offered to people of all ages experiencing disability. The Church is simply lesser when, apart from valid, biblical reasons, such as lack of faith, people are excluded. The Session of a particular church should ensure that all those seeking baptism for themselves and/or their children make a 'credible profession of faith.'[3] The Session must also ensure that baptism is not imposed on people experiencing disability who express a desire not to receive it. It follows that the Church is called to be open to the Holy Spirit to hear credible professions of faith, as need arises, that are in an unfamiliar way.[4] Our God, who is the Creator and is always more creative than humanity, has determined (Exodus 4:11; John 9:1-5) that some of those he has regenerated and called to faith who experience disability would need to make a profession of faith in ways that are not given in a familiar shape.[5] Such unfamiliar professions of faith by an individual experiencing disability may need to be given, for example, through an interpreter, by way of testimony of other disciples, through the observation by elders, or through use of assistive communication technologies and methods. Elders have the tremendous joy and duty to receive professions of faith—and these professions of faith that are not given in familiar ways are no different. The Session is called to carefully discern together the mind of Christ and

[4] Pastoral Letter "Children and the Lord's Supper" (approved June 1993), p 2. 4 The familiar format of profession of faith is direct verbal testimony from the individual.

[5] The Book of Worship 3.J. "Baptized children may be admitted to the Lord's Supper provided they have appeared before the Session and professed their faith in a manner acceptable to the Session." The Session is given discretion to define what manner(s) are acceptable.

welcome those who make a credible profession of faith, in any acceptable format,[6] to the table of our Lord. It is the joy and duty, therefore, of elders to both admit and encourage those of faith who have been claimed by God for his covenant people in the waters of baptism and who have made a credible profession of faith (either in a familiar or unfamiliar format) to partake in the Lord's Supper. The blessing of Christ, as discerned by the Session, and the working of the Holy Spirit (WLC 161) in the recipient through faith (WSC 91) are the criteria for the sacraments to be effective means of salvation. Those who receive the Lord's Supper are "spiritually nourished and grow in grace" (WLC 168). Therefore, as the Session seeks to shepherd and nurture the spiritual growth of all the congregation, including those experiencing disability, the Lord's Supper is a crucial aspect of discipleship and spiritual growth.

The Session has the role in the life of the believer to admit to the table of our Lord those who demonstrate "evidence to the Session of a basic understanding of the sacrament."[7] While evidence in its most familiar format is self-reported testimony, the Session is not limited to this as the only kind of evidence available. The Session may remain open to the leading of the Holy Spirit in receiving evidence in unfamiliar ways such as testimony of parents, guardians and other members of the congregation, or observation of the person experiencing disability.

Those who receive the Lord's Supper, including those experiencing disability, have duties as well. The Reformed Tradition has placed a great emphasis on self-examination and discerning the body. The onus for this examination is left to the individual when tables are properly fenced by the minister, but are evident in repentance, love and a new obedience as our faith feeds on Christ (WSC 97). Discerning the body (1 Corinthians 11:28-29) requires reverence and sharing in the sacrament with others in regular, congregational worship.[8] While no one is required to take the Lord's Supper, neither should those who experience disability be barred from the table due to a presumption of "spiritual ignorance" (WLC 173) because the faith of the individual experiencing disability is not expressed in a familiar way.[9] All those who have faith in Jesus, including those experiencing disability, receive the great benefit of Christ's grace won for the elect on the cross in the Lord's Supper.

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[6] Minutes of the 44th General Assembly of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, p 125. In response to an overture from the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest (44-22) to amend the Book of Government 8-2.C, and Book of Worship 3-3.J, the PJC wrote, "Under the Constitution the Session currently has the authority to receive members taking into consideration the individual's mental capabilities and life situation. This includes not only developmentally disabled individuals, but other conditions which may have impacted an individual's abilities to evidence a true commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord, including medical conditions, traumatic injury, and other scenarios and conditions…Likewise, Session and Minister have defined roles with respect to preparation for, and admission to The Lord's Supper (see, e.g. W. 3, H, I, J, and M), along with Westminster Confession Chapter 29."

[7] Pastoral Letter "Children and the Lord's Supper" (approved June 1993), p 2.

[8] Book of Worship 3.F.

[9] "Ignorance" is juxtaposed with "wicked" and "ungodly" in the Westminster Confession of Faith 29.8. The thrust of the paragraph is to warn those who lack faith in Jesus Christ (knowledge in the familiar sense) to refrain from partaking in the "holy mystery of communion." Those experiencing disability may express their faith in unfamiliar ways, but this ought not to be conflated with ignorance from the perspective of the Session.

The spiritual presence of Christ in the Lord's Supper is a comfort to the faith of all, including those individuals and families experiencing disability. The reception of the "seal of all the benefits of that sacrifice for true believers" (WCF 29.1) strengthens and aids spiritual growth through the application of Christ's grace by the Holy Spirit and builds "communion with Jesus and with each other as members of his mystical body" (WCF 29.1). To receive Christ's benefits and grace in the sacraments is a tremendous aid to the faith of all. God is truly glorified when all those who have faith in Jesus come together at his table and commune with him and with one another.

The Session should take special care with those members who entered into the experience of disability that has led to a diminishing or absent ability to continue to offer a credible profession of faith. Christ Jesus died to save the person experiencing such disabilities for all of time and salvation is not dependent on the continued ability to profess the faith. The Session may need to rely on the testimony of others if the person experiencing this kind of disability is not previously known. The Session may continue to offer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper to such persons who experience disability in these ways as they continue to exhibit a reliance upon Christ for hope and comfort.

Sessions are called to consider carefully in what manner the sacraments are offered to the people, ensuring that all those of faith may participate equally in the sacraments. Matters such as the placement and distribution of the elements of the sacraments, the location of the baptismal font and table, and the type of bread used can serve to magnify the glory of God through the demonstration of the greater unity of the body of Christ. Physical barriers to receiving the sacraments should, to the best of the Session's ability, be minimized—but charity is encouraged for the Session and for individuals and families experiencing disability as any needed accommodation may take time, effort, and funding to enact. Still, many accommodations are a matter of change of custom and are low-cost in terms of time, talent, and treasure expended.

The sacraments are a sign and seal of our unity with God in faith and with one another. The Church is truly enriched when participation in the sacraments of individuals and families experiencing disability is encouraged and enacted in the true joy of redemption through faith in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Questions for Session to Consider

- How might Exodus 4:11 challenge our theology regarding those with disabilities? How would that then affect our attitudes about the access of those with disabilities to the Sacraments?
- How might King David's treatment of Mephibosheth in 2 Samuel 9 inspire how we should think about and engage with an individual with a disability and their access?
- Consider your worship spaces. Would someone with a disability encounter any barriers of access to the sacraments?

- Do the examples of Jesus and his table fellowship have anything to offer towards our fellowship with Christ at the Communion table?
- In light of Matthew 25:40, how intentional or cognizant are we of our interactions with those with disabilities?
- How would you deal with the request of a family for the baptism of their teenage child who is non-verbal?
- What might be the marks of a believer that cannot use words to articulate their faith?

Additional Resources

BOOKS

Brock, Brian, and John Swinton, eds. *Disability in the Christian Tradition: A Reader*. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing, 2012.

Fourteen contemporary experts in theology and disability studies guide readers through each era or group of thinkers, offering clear commentary and highlighting important themes.

Hardwick, Lamar. Disability and the Church: *A Vision for Diversity and Inclusion*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2021.

Disability and the Church *is a practical and theological reconsideration of the church's responsibilities to the disabled community*.

Hubach, Stephanie O. *Same Lake, Different Boat: Coming Alongside People Touched by Disability*. Revised and updated. Phillipsburg, NJ: P&R Publishing, 2020.

When the church attempts to function without all its parts, the body of Christ becomes disabled. ***Same Lake, Different Boat*** *is a transformational work designed to renew our minds to think biblically about disability in order that our lives, our relationships, and our congregations might wholly reflect Christ.*

Newman, Barbara J. *Worship as One: Varied Abilities in the Body of Christ*. Edited by Victoria M. White. Los Angeles, CA: Amazon Pro Hub, 2022.

Barbara J. Newman's final book is the only resource of its kind that gives leaders the tools to fully include persons with varied abilities into the life of their congregations, demonstrating God's call for community in 1 Corinthians 12.

Peoples, Sandra. *Accessible Church: A Gospel-Centered Vision for Including People with Disabilities and Their Families*. Foreword by Joni Eareckson Tada. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2025.

Accessible Church *provides a theological and practical framework for Christian churches to build sustainable, welcoming ministries for people with disabilities and their families.*

WEBSITES

Baylor University. "Baylor Center for Disability and Flourishing."
https://disability.research.baylor.edu

The Baylor Center for Disability and Flourishing invests in research, training, outreach, and clinical services that promote the flourishing of people with disabilities, their families, and communities.

Erik Carter “Dimensions of Belonging”
https://disability.research.baylor.edu/focus-areas/belonging.

Erik Carter’s "Dimensions of Belonging" framework provides a 10-part, actionable model for fostering deep inclusion of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) in community life.

Theology of Disability; Wheaton Center for Faith and Disability;
https://www.wheaton.edu/wheaton-center-for-faith-and-disability/disabilityfoundations/theology-of-disability/

“As one of Wheaton College's newest Centers, the Center for Faith and Disability reflects God’s heart and purpose for people impacted by disability. The work of the Center involves reframing disability discourse through a biblical lens in a way that honors God and all those who bear His image.”

AD-INTERIM COMMITTEE ON ORDINATION STANDARDS

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-interim-committee-ordination-standards/

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. We focused on evaluating and proposing revisions to our current ordination standards to provide a clearer path to a more effective bar for Teaching Elders in the EPC.
2. We met multiple times online and in person to discuss our current standards, evaluate strengths and weaknesses, and develop an ordination framework that includes a new uniform curriculum standard for all candidates, requires more significant relational investment by the ascending courts of the church in our candidates, and provides flexibility for both candidate and presbytery to tailor the process to fit their specific context and needs.

Recommendations

46-12: Recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve revisions to **G**. 11-2.G.

46-14: Recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve the insertion of a new *Book of Government* 11-2.H and renumber 11-2 depending on the outcome of the descending overtures from the 45th General Assembly.

46-16: Recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve revisions to **G**. 12-2

46-18: Recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve the Criteria for Ordination Requirements and Education.

46-19: Recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve a sunset provision for the Candidate's Educational Equivalency Program (CEEP).

46-20: Recommends that the 46th General Assembly direct the National Leadership Team (NLT) to conduct a thorough review of the Ministerial Vocation Committee's job description and respective responsibilities and bring potential revisions to the 47th General Assembly.

46-21: Recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve the amendment of the *Rules for Assembly* 10-1.C.

46-22: Recommends that the 46th General Assembly direct the Ministerial Vocation Committee (MVC) to conduct a thorough study of licensure as a potential category in the denomination's credentialing process, report back to the 47th General Assembly regarding the theological, constitutional, and pastoral implications, and present any recommendations.

46-23: Recommends that the 46th General Assembly direct the National Leadership Team to review the function and purpose of the *Acts of Assembly* and consider archiving those no longer in effect.

46-24: Recommends that the 46th General Assembly dismiss with mild gratitude the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards – saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Work of the Committee

The 43rd General Assembly of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church voted to create an Ad-Interim, Moderator-appointed Committee on Ordination Standards. The purpose of the committee was to review the current processes and standards related to the ordination of Teaching Elders in the EPC. In an era of growing skepticism and significant change in traditional theological education, the goal was to evaluate the effectiveness of the current model in preparing and equipping men and women from different backgrounds and life experiences to meet the demands of pastoral ministry in the 21st century, North American and Caribbean context and recommend any potential changes to a future General Assembly.

Our committee has met for three years. The first year was dedicated to listening and soliciting as much feedback as possible on our current ordination process and standards from all Teaching and Ruling Elders. We used tools like denomination-wide emails, surveys of current Teaching Elders, a General Assembly Networking lunch, and many informal conversations across the EPC to gather as much data as possible on the effectiveness of our current ordination process and standards. Our desire for this process was to be as open and transparent as possible and make sure every voice was heard and everyone felt valued.

Our second year was dedicated to reviewing, evaluating, and revising our current ordination process. At the 45th General Assembly, we presented a number of recommendations to our process that included proposed changes to the Book of Government, Acts of Assembly, Rules of Assembly, and the Ministerial Committee Procedure Manual. The guiding philosophy behind our recommendations was to "seek a clearer path to a more effective bar." To that end, we sought to bring clarity, consistency, and efficiency to our process while maintaining respect for the different courts of the church and the need for robust national standards. By God's grace, the 45th General Assembly approved our recommendations and the 46th General Assembly will be asked to ratify the changes to our Book of Government.

Our third year has been spent evaluating and reviewing our current ordination standards. Using the data gathered from surveys and conversations with Teaching Elders and Ruling Elders across the EPC, as well as conversations with many of our seminary partners, we recognized the need to maintain a robust academic standard while at the same time developing more effective assessments for character development and organizational leadership competencies. We acknowledge the challenge of maintaining the rigor of academic standards in a culture where the Master of Divinity degree is no longer standardized across many of our seminaries. Indeed, it is a

completely different degree in some cases. We also acknowledge that while the seminary does an excellent job providing the academic preparation necessary to serve as a Teaching Elder, particularly in the areas of Bible and Theology, it is not the best place to assess the character and spiritual formation of a candidate. We believe this is better done at the local church level in partnership with the presbytery. Finally, we also acknowledge the need for our Teaching Elders to gain significant skills in organizational leadership, our greatest deficit according to survey results, and we believe these are best gained through practical experience (residency, internship, employment, etc.) in a local church.

To this end, our recommendations include significant changes to the Book of Government, particularly in chapters eleven and twelve. They establish a uniform curriculum standard for all candidates, thus eliminating the need for the Candidates Educational Equivalency Program (CEEP), and re-introduce the requirement of original languages. They eliminate the Master of Divinity degree as a standard in favor of a graduate theological degree from an accredited seminary. They mandate the development of an EPC-wide character assessment process for candidates and spouses modeled after our current, very successful, assessments for church planters and world outreach workers. And they provide the Presbyteries flexibility, working with Candidates and local church Sessions, to assess organizational leadership competencies.

Further, we ask the General Assembly to direct the National Leadership Team to review the current makeup and responsibilities of the Ministerial Vocation Committee to refine their work so they may better serve our Presbyteries and Candidates in this process. We also ask the General Assembly to direct the Ministerial Vocation Committee to conduct a thorough study of licensure as a potential category in the credentialing process and report back to the 47th General Assembly with recommendations. Finally, we ask the General Assembly to direct the National Leadership Team to review the function and purpose of the Acts of Assembly and consider archiving those no longer in effect as it often adds confusion to our ordination process.

Recommendations (Detailed)

RECOMMENDATION 46-12

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards and Process recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve revisions to the *Book of Government* 11-2.G.

We are recommending the elimination of the Master of Divinity degree as a standard due to the significant changes the degree has undergone at many seminaries across the country. There is no "standard" MDiv any longer therefore we should not rely on it as a standard. Instead, we are proposing all candidates earn a graduate theological degree from an accredited seminary subject to the approval of the Presbytery.

Rationale:

Due to changes in the accreditation of the Masters of Divinity degree over the years, the degree is no longer standard among seminaries. Some seminaries still maintain the traditional 90+ credit hour degree while others have reduced the required credit hours to the minimum 72+ credit hour threshold. This results in a significant variance when it comes to the preparation and training of our Candidates. Furthermore, we have many Candidates who have already achieved a graduate level theological degree and simply need to add a few more classes rather than pursue a different degree. Additionally, we recognize the need for a uniform standard which is why we are proposing a standard "Criteria for Ordination Requirements and Education" that all Candidates must meet. The new criteria will include 72 hours of transcripted, graduate level coursework, including original languages. It will also include a new assessment process for Candidates modeled after our current church planter and world outreach worker assessments. Finally, it will include some kind of demonstration of pastoral competencies and skills in a local ministry context.

RECOMMENDATION 46-14

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards and Process recommends that the 46th General Assembly to approve the insertion of a new *Book of Government* 11-2.H and renumber 11-2 depending on the outcome of the descending overtures from the 45th General Assembly.

This recommendation creates a new uniform standard for ordination that includes 72 hours of transcripted, graduate level coursework in addition to a candidate assessment to be created by the EPC, modeled after the successful assessments we conduct for church planters and world outreach workers, and the demonstration of practical, pastoral and organizational leadership competencies. The Candidate shall present evidence of satisfactory completion to their Presbytery for approval.

Rationale:

Due to changes in the accreditation of the Masters of Divinity degree over the years, the degree is no longer standard among seminaries. Some seminaries still maintain the traditional 90+ credit hour degree while others have reduced the required credit hours to the minimum 72+ credit hour threshold. This results in a significant variance when it comes to the preparation and training of our Candidates. Furthermore, we have many Candidates who have already achieved a graduate level theological degree and simply need to add a few more classes rather than pursue a different degree. Additionally, we recognize the need for a uniform standard which is why we are proposing a standard "Criteria for Ordination Requirements and Education" that all Candidates must meet. The new criteria will include 72 hours of transcripted, graduate level coursework, including original languages. It will also include a new assessment process for Candidates modeled after our current church planter and world outreach worker assessments. Finally, it will

include some kind of demonstration of pastoral competencies and skills in a local ministry context.

RECOMMENDATION 46-16

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards and Process recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve revisions to the *Book of Government* 12-2.

This recommendation clarifies the process of examination for a candidate for Teaching Elder in the EPC. It includes the current national EPC written exams but eliminates the exegesis exam as we believe a passing grade from an accredited seminary in original languages demonstrates sufficient competency. It further clarifies the examinations before the appropriate committee, as well as the floor of the Presbytery, listing the requirements for each in greater detail for the sake of greater clarity in the hopes it also leads to greater trust and collaboration between Presbyteries as Candidates and Teaching Elders transfer.

Rationale:

Due to the confusion that often surrounds our examination process at the Presbytery level, we believe it important to clarify in detail what the EPC requires. Much of what is listed here is already found in various places such as the Procedure Manual for Ministerial and Candidates Committees, but we believe the expectations are best spelled out in the *Book of Government* for the sake of consistency and clarity across presbyteries. One important change to note is the elimination of the written exegesis exam. Should our recommendations pass, we believe a passing grade in Biblical Languages and Biblical Exegesis from an accredited seminary is sufficient to meet our standard.

RECOMMENDATION 46-18

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards and Process recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve the Criteria for Ordination Requirements and Education.

In light of the changes to the Master of Divinity degree in recent years and the continued difficulty in assessing the candidates under the Candidates Educational Equivalency Program (CEEP), we believe a uniform standard should be required for all candidates. It should include transcripted, graduate level theological coursework focused mainly in the areas of Bible and Theology which is where our seminaries excel. At the same time, we recognize preparation for the office of Teaching Elder is not simply an academic exercise but should also require robust character and leadership assessments. We believe the current assessments conducted for our church planters and world outreach workers offer a compelling example for our candidates and we believe the local church must be a significant partner in these assessments as well. We affirm the need for practical skill development, especially when it comes to organizational leadership, and believe these skills are best gained in the field at a local church. The bottom line is our local church is our pipeline to equip men and women for the office of Teaching Elder.

Rationale:

Because of the changes to the Master of Divinity degree, we believe the EPC needs to create her own standard. To that end, we are proposing the following standard criteria for all Candidates that includes academic coursework, character assessment, and field work in a local church and/or ministry setting where Candidates can learn organizational leadership and pastoral skills. Please note our current Candidate's Educational Equivalency Program requires 66 credit hours of graduate level work with 12 hours in Old Testament, New Testament, and Theology respectively (Biblical Languages optional). Our new standard requires 72 credit hours of graduate level work with 18 hours in Old Testament and New Testament respectively (Biblical Languages required), and 24 hours in Theology with an emphasis on Covenant and Reformed Theology. We also believe courses in Homiletics and Pastoral Care and Counseling are also essential for those seeking to be ordained to the office of Teaching Elder. Additionally, we believe the denomination should create an assessment weekend modeled after the church planter and world outreach assessments for our Candidates. Finally, we believe strongly that the local church is the best pipeline to train and equip future Teaching Elders in the necessary organizational leadership and pastoral skills.

RECOMMENDATION 46-19

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards and Process recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve a sunset provision for the Candidate's Educational Equivalency Program (CEEP).

We recognize the need to create a "sunset clause" for our current Candidate's Educational Equivalency Program (CEEP). We don't want to create an undue burden for those who are already in the process but at the same time do want to designate an end date for the program. We believe three years from the potential effective date (summer of 2027) is sufficient time for anyone currently under the CEEP program to complete their work.

Rationale:

The Criteria for Ordination Requirements and Education will eliminate the need for the Candidate's Educational Equivalency Program (CEEP) as it provides a uniform standard for all Candidates to meet while providing the Presbytery some measure of flexibility in order to customize the standard to each individual Candidate and their background. At the same time, the committee recognizes the need to provide some time for Candidates currently under care in the CEEP process to complete their work. We believe three years from the effective date (47th General Assembly) is sufficient.

RECOMMENDATION 46-20

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards and Process recommends that the 46th General Assembly direct the National Leadership Team (NLT) to conduct a thorough review of

the Ministerial Vocation Committee's job description and respective responsibilities and bring potential revisions to the 47th General Assembly.

We believe a review of the Ministerial Vocation Committee's work load and responsibilities is long overdue, especially in light of the changes we've proposed. We believe the NLT has the opportunity to clarify and refine their work so they may more effectively serve our presbyteries and denomination.

Rationale:

The growth of the EPC in recent years necessitates a review of the committee's responsibilities to make sure they best serve the purpose for which the committee was originally formed. The size and scale of the EPC has dramatically increased since the Ministerial Vocation Committee was first constituted and we believe the makeup as well as the responsibilities of the committee may need to be revised in order to best serve our denomination in the future.

RECOMMENDATION 46-21

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards and Process recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve amendment to the *Rules for Assembly* 10-1.C.

Offered to further simplify and clarify the role of the Ministerial Vocation Committee should the proposed changes to The Book of Government pass.

Rationale:

The only role the Ministerial Vocation Committee plays in assisting in the placement of pastors and helping churches find pastors is to oversee the Opportunities List with the assistance of the Office of the General Assembly as well as facilitate time during General Assembly for churches searching for pastors to make their needs known. We believe the language in the Rules of Assembly should reflect this reality so as to avoid creating unrealistic expectations.

RECOMMENDATION 46-22

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards and Process recommends that the 46th General Assembly direct the Ministerial Vocation Committee (MVC) to conduct a thorough study of licensure as a potential category in the denomination's credentialing process, report back to the 47th General Assembly regarding the theological, constitutional, and pastoral implications, and present any recommendations.

In our work, we held significant discussions over the issue of licensure, recognizing sister denominations employ this category with great effectiveness. It is also part of the EPC's history as it relates to the preparation of candidates. While we didn't feel we had enough time to bring forth any recommendations, we do believe further study is warranted and members of our committee are willing to help the MVC in their study.

Rationale:

There is a history of licensure in the EPC. Though it was eliminated in 1984, we believe it is worth considering bringing back as a regular practice. Many of our sister denominations use licensure to great effect in the training and equipping of their Candidates and it also provides presbytery endorsement for Candidates to preach the Word within their bounds. The EPC's lack of licensure or a similar category has resulted in a limited pool of presbytery-endorsed preachers which potentially results in local churches not being well-served in the ministry of the Word. We also believe it could potentially impact the training and equipping of Commissioned Pastors. Members of our committee are willing to assist the MVC in this study.

RECOMMENDATION 46-23

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards and Process recommends that the 46th General Assembly direct the National Leadership Team to review the function and purpose of the Acts of Assembly and consider archiving those no longer in effect.

We believe this recommendation is long overdue as the *Acts of Assembly* are difficult to navigate thus creating confusion not only in the ordination process but also in other areas. Members of our team are willing to help the NLT in this effort to re-organize them and present them in a clearer, simpler format.

Rationale:

The *Acts of Assembly*, as they are currently organized, are difficult to navigate, creating confusion over which provisions are in effect. We believe it is worth reviewing and revising the Acts of Assembly with the goal of re-organizing them into a clearer, more functional format and archiving those no longer in effect to eliminate any confusion. Members of our committee are willing to assist the NLT in this work.

RECOMMENDATION 46-24

The Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards and Process recommends that the 46th General Assembly dismiss with mild gratitude the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards – saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Rationale:

We believe our work is concluded.

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Meeting Dates

August 20, 2025: Video Conference
September 14-15, 2025: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, FL)
November 19, 2025: Video Conference
January 21, 2026: Video Conference
February 18, 2026: Video Conference
March 1-2, 2026: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, FL)
May 20, 2026: Video Conference

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AD-INTERIM COMMITTEE ON SAME-SEX ATTRACTION AND ORDINATION

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-interim-committee-on-same-sex-attraction-and-ordination-standards/

The Ad-Interim Committee on Same-Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

The 44th General Assembly of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC) voted to create a moderator-appointed, Ad-Interim Committee on Same-Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards, and for our committee to make a final report and recommendations to the 46th General Assembly. Our committee was formed to address how the EPC should consider the expectations for penitence and sanctification of someone who experiences ongoing same-sex attraction but remains committed to the historic and orthodox biblical sexual ethic, and then to address in what circumstances such a person would be eligible for consideration for ordained office in the EPC.

Recommendations

46-26: The Ad-Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the amendments to the EPC's Position Paper on Human Sexuality.

46-27: The Ad-Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the amendments to the section "Same Sex Attraction" in the EPC's Pastoral Letter on Human Sexuality.

46-28: The Ad-Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the amendments of the two sections of the *Book of Government* 9-3 (9-3A, 9-3B) to clarify character requirements of EPC officers pertinent to sexual ethics.

46-30: The Ad-Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the amendments of the four sections of the *Book of Government* 12 (12-2B, 12-3A,12-3.B.1, 12-6) to add requirements to examine nominees to all EPC offices in the area of Christian character.

Work of the Committee

We were tasked to clarify, align, and strengthen the EPC's witness in light of our doctrinal standards. The EPC's doctrine and pastoral wisdom in the Position Paper and Pastoral Letter are commendable, and we continue to affirm with them that

- Marriage is instituted by God as a covenant between one man and one woman and that sexual intimacy is reserved exclusively for that union (e.g. Position Paper, page 1 "The Divine Origin and Purpose of Human Sexuality; page 4, "The Married Life").
- Homoerotic behavior and desires are sinful and must be repented of and mortified. (e.g. Position Paper, page 6, "The Ministry of the Church"; Pastoral Letter, page 2-4, "Contemporary Challenges")

In addition to reviewing the EPC's documents, we were charged to study the Scriptures and the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms to bring clarity to our witness regarding the following areas, which we did in our recommended amendments:

1) Theological anthropology, with respect to human sexuality as it pertains to contemporary usage of the sexual self-conception and how such language comports with Scripture and the Westminster standards:

- We affirm that all people are created in God's image, that his design for marriage and sex is present in creation, that the fall into sin did not terminate God's good design, that marriage and sex have been affirmed as good by Jesus our redeemer, that the single life has also been affirmed by Christ, and that the meaning, purpose, and redemption of marriage and sex finds its consummation in our union and communion with God, of which we have a foretaste now (e.g. Position Paper page, 1-2, "The Divine Purpose and Origin of Human Sexuality; Pastoral Letter, page 6-7, "Our Counsel to the Body of Christ").
- We affirm that we are new creations in Christ, and all other identities we have must be understood relative to our union with Christ and subordinated to him on his terms as our Lord. We must understand and think of ourselves first and foremost "as dead to sin, with it having no dominion over us because we are alive in Christ Jesus our Lord." (e.g. Pastoral Letter, page 5, "Our Counsel to Those who Experience Same-Sex Attraction")
- We affirm that the language we use to self-describe should reflect our identity as being united to Jesus and should not invite confusion from our own heart, the church, or the world; we affirm for this reason that it is inappropriate to use the term "gay Christian" (e.g. Pastoral Letter, page 6, "Our Counsel to Those who Experience Same-Sex Attraction")

2) Progressive Sanctification and how it informs the Reformed understanding of the mortification of sin and the doctrine of repentance; 3a) Concupiscence as it relates to a Reformed conception of the Christian's new nature in Christ:

- We affirm that all of our sinful transgressions emerge from our corrupted sin nature, and this corruption of our hearts, along with all its impulses, is itself sin, and continues in the regenerate all their life long. This is the Reformed doctrine of

'concupiscence'. (e.g. Position Paper, page 1-2, "The Divine Origin and Purpose of Human Sexuality"; Pastoral Letter, page 4-5, "Our Counsel to Those who Experience Same-Sex Attraction")

- We affirm that in our union with Christ we have been regenerated, receive a new heart and spirit, and are further sanctified. Original sin and its nature remain in the believer all their life long, yet through the continual supply of Christ's Spirit, the believer is able to resist, deny, repent of and kill sin, and grow in holiness. These spiritual realities are true of same-sex attraction. (e.g. Position Paper, page 2, "The Divine Origin and Purpose of Human Sexuality"; Pastoral Letter, page 4-5, "Our Counsel to Those who Experience Same-Sex Attraction")

3b) and when homosexual temptation, like other temptations disqualifies one from ordained office:

- We affirm that "that our Lord Jesus sympathizes with us in our weaknesses because he both suffered when tempted and was tempted in every respect like us, yet without sin" and that "As our king, Jesus corrects us in our sin and supports us in our temptations and sufferings". Temptations may come upon us, but Jesus always presents a way of escape and we are enabled to not enter into temptation. The experience of temptation, including the temptation to homosexuality, by itself does not disqualify one from ordained office. Entering into temptation with unrepentant behaviors and lusts does disqualify from ordained office. (e.g. Position Paper, page 2, "The Divine Origin and Purpose of Human Sexuality"; page 4-5, "A Call to Holiness"; Pastoral Letter, page 4-5, "Our Counsel to Those who Experience Same-Sex Attraction"; page 7, "Our Counsel to the Body of Christ"; page 11, "Our Counsel to Pastors, Sessions, and Presbyteries")

4) The Christian hope for those who experience and flee sexual temptation, especially homosexual temptation:

- We affirm that through faith in Jesus we are forgiven all our sexual sins, washed from our impurity, and given the power of the Holy Spirit to live lives worthy of the gospel. This is true for those who continue to experience same-sex attraction as the latent pull and temptation, unindulged, towards homosexuality. (e.g. Position Paper, page 5, "Recovering from Sexual Brokenness")
- We affirm in that even in our experience of same-sex attraction that we must be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. Our hope is that if we deny ourselves, take up our cross, and follow Jesus and suffer with him, we have fellowship with Jesus in his life. (e.g. Pastoral Letter, page 6, "Our Counsel to Those who Experience Same-Sex Attraction").
- We affirm that God can redeem and heal all corrupted by sin and the Fall, and that may include those who have fled homosexual temptation becoming open to a biblical marriage and developing opposite-sex sexual desires. Whether married or single, God's promise

and our expectation is that ultimate and true healing is found in the return of Jesus. As we repent and are sanctified in this life, God promises to grow us in righteousness and holiness by his Spirit. God promises to enable us to flee every temptation and that Christ will carry us in our weakness (e.g. Pastoral Letter, page 7, "Our Counsel to the Body of Christ").

5) How the answers to these questions might inform standards for officers who have struggled in these areas but have mortified such temptation and desire:

- We affirm that unrepentant sinful behavior and unrepentant lusts disqualify candidates for office, and that officers of the EPC are to believe, practice, and teach the moral standards contained in the Scriptures and the EPC's Constitution (e.g. Position Paper, page 4-5, "A Call to Holiness"; page 6, "The Ministry of the Church"; Pastoral Letter, page 8-9, "Our Counsel to Pastors, Sessions, and Presbyteries").
- We affirm that people who struggle with temptation and who may at times sin sexually, yet are grieving those failures and are striving for repentance and growth in sanctification, may be welcomed as members of the church (e.g. Pastoral Letter, page 9, "Our Counsel to Pastors, Sessions, and Presbyteries"); but
- We affirm that only those "who conform to the biblical requirement of chastity and sexual purity in their descriptions of themselves, their convictions, character, and conduct should be considered for leadership." Additionally, we affirm that "Courts may consider for ordination candidates whose ongoing experience of SSA is a corrupted sin nature unindulged, repented of, and mortified; a temptation not entered into, but rather fled; a weakness not embraced, but rather mourned as they rest upon the grace and strength of the Lord." (e.g. Pastoral Letter, page 9-10, "Our Counsel to Pastors, Sessions, and Presbyteries"; Book of Government recommendations).

Recommendations (Detailed)

RECOMMENDATION 46-26

The Ad-Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the amendments to the EPC's Position Paper on Human Sexuality, appended herein.

RECOMMENDATION 46-27

The Ad-Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the amendments to the section "Same Sex Attraction" in the EPC's Pastoral Letter on Human Sexuality (for a copy of the Pastoral Letter on Human Sexuality, please contact the Office of the General Assembly).

RECOMMENDATION 46-28

The Ad-Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the amendments of the two sections of *the Book of Government* 9-3 (9-3A, 9-3B) to clarify character requirements of EPC officers pertinent to sexual ethics.

RECOMMENDATION 46-30

The Ad-Interim Committee on Same Sex Attraction and Ordination Standards recommends that the 46th General Assembly APPROVE the amendments of the four sections of the *Book of Government* 12 (12-2B, 12-3A,12-3.B.1, 12-6) to add requirements to examine nominees to all EPC offices in the area of Christian character.

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AIC ON SAME-SEX ATTRACTION AND ORDINATION APPENDIX 1: THE POSITION PAPER ON HUMAN SEXUALITY WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

In a time when views of human sexuality and marriage are rapidly changing, we believe it is necessary and helpful to state clearly and compassionately to the Church and the world our beliefs about God's design for human sexuality. We wish to do so with love toward all as we attempt to imitate God's love for us.[1] We long for the Church as well as society to conform to biblical standards of sexuality; but our ultimate desire is that, through the gospel, all may come to know Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord of their lives and receive His gift of eternal life. We also know that, having come to believe in Him, we enjoy His blessing by walking with Him according to His Word. We believe the Bible to be God's Word and that to understand and obey His will leads to the greatest human flourishing.[2] What follows is what we believe the Scriptures teach and the Christian Church has held to be true since the time of the apostles, and what therefore holds the greatest prospects for human happiness and well-being, even as we strive and long for a time when God will make all things new.[3]

The Divine Origin and Purpose of Human Sexuality

All men and women are made in the image of God and human sexuality is a gift from God. The Scriptures present a grand vision of husband and wife who are to have intimate fellowship through union with a covenant partner who is both similar (human) and different (opposite sex) leading to fruitful procreation of humanity. In this profound mystery, we discover God's purposes for our sexuality and how He wills it to be expressed in our union and communion with Him.[4]

The fall of humankind, recorded in Genesis 3, corrupted our nature, and this corrupted nature made us utterly indisposed, disabled, opposite to all good, and wholly inclined to all evil.[5] We began to distort and misuse the gifts of God to our own demise and entered into the conditions of sin and misery: we desire the good things the wrong way and also desire the wrong things. All of our sinful transgressions emerge from this corrupted nature, and this corruption of our hearts, along with all its impulses, is itself sin.[6] The Fall also broke our world and everything in it, including our relationships, bodies, and affections, such that we suffer by facing many weaknesses and temptations to sin.[7]

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[1] 1 John 4:10; John 15:12; 1 John 3:10; Ephesians 5:1-2
[2] Psalm 1; Matthew 4:4
[3] Revelation 21:5
[4] Genesis 2:18-25; Song of Songs; Matthew 5:27-30; 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8
[5] Genesis 6:5; 8:21; John 3:6; Romans 3:10-19; 5:6; 7:18; 8:7; Colossians 1:21; Westminster Confession of Faith 6.3-4; Westminster Larger Catechism 28
[6] Matthew 15:19; Ephesians 2:2-3; James 1:14; Westminster Confession of Faith 6.4-5
[7] Matthew 18:7; Mark 14:38; Romans 8:20; 1 Corinthians 10:12-13; Westminster Confession of Faith 6.6; Westminster Larger Catechism 23; 27-28

Therefore, because God made us and redeems us, He alone has sovereign authority to define us and to regulate the right ordering of our desires and our sexual practice, and empowers us to align with His good will.

Our Father does this through the gracious redemptive work of His Son, Jesus Christ, and the provision of His Holy Spirit, by which He leads us from brokenness and rebellion to a full and beautiful restoration of our relationship with Him and of our human dignity and purpose.[8] In our union with Christ, our transgressions are pardoned, our corrupted nature is being mortified; we are enabled by His Spirit to recognize, confess, repent, and mortify our sins and flee temptation.[9] By faith we enjoy now a taste of the consummation for God's purpose: the experience of union and communion with God through the redemption of Jesus and indwelling of the Holy Spirit as the children of the Father. This present inbreaking of the kingdom of God into our lives brings restoration from our condition of sin which includes both an affirmation of marriage and sex along with the validation of the single life. Redeemed sexuality is grounded in God's good creation and looks forward to its eschatological consummation in union and communion with God.

Until Christ returns, the corrupt nature remains in the regenerate during this life and while pardoned, the corruption itself and all motions proceeding from it remain truly and properly sin.[10] As our king, Jesus corrects us in our sin and supports us in our temptations and sufferings.[11] Both our corrupted hearts and our fallen world tempt us to sin: being tempted is an appeal to engage the desires of our hearts to commit sin.[12] We, therefore, must continually repent of our sin, resist every temptation, and renounce every attempt to subvert God's purposes and His commandments concerning our sexuality. We must not enter into temptation, but rather repent of our corrupted hearts, sinful lusts, and indulging temptation.[13] We have been made alive in Christ by His Spirit, by whom Christ sanctifies us and raises our affections to Himself; therefore we must keep in step with the Spirit, mortifying the passions of the flesh.[14] We acknowledge that any sexual desires apart from God's design for marriage are sinful, arise from our sinfully corrupted nature, and we must repent of them all. We also acknowledge that any temptations to fulfill sexual desire apart from God's design for marriage must be resisted, regardless of how persistent or seemingly innate the temptation or desire is.

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[8] John 10:10; Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-8
[9] Psalm 1; Matthew 4:4
[10] Proverbs 20:9; Ecclesiastes 7:20; Romans 7:5, 7-8, 14, 17-18; Galatians 5:17; 1 John 1:8-10; James 3:2; Westminster Confession of Faith 6.5; 13.1-3. This is the Reformed doctrine of 'concupiscence'.
[11] Psalm 103:13-14; Isaiah 63:9; 2 Corinthians 12:9-10; Romans 8:35-39; Hebrews 12:6-7; Westminster Larger Catechism 45
[12] Matthew 18:7; Mark 14:38; Luke 17:1; 1 Corinthians 7:5; 10:13; 1 Thessalonians 3:5; Hebrews 4:14-15; James 1:12-15; Westminster Confession of Faith 5.5; 17.3; 18.4; Westminster Larger Catechism 77-79; 81; 195
[13] Matthew 6:13; 26:41; Mark 14:38; Luke 11:4; 22:40, 46; Romans 6:4-6; 1 Corinthians 10:13; Westminster Larger Catechism 167; 195
[14] Romans 6:2-5; Galatians 5:16-25; Colossians 3:1-12; Westminster Confession of Faith 13.1-3; Westminster Larger Catechism 53; 105; 138-139

Confession of Sin

We, as evangelical Presbyterians, readily and sorrowfully confess our manifold violations of His Word: as a people, we have engaged in premarital sex, adultery, ungodly divorce, and sexual lusts of every sort, not only before coming to faith in Christ, but also afterward. As churches, we have at times sanctioned unbiblical marriages, violating the expressed will of God revealed in the Scriptures; and we sometimes have self-righteously condemned others for their sexual sins while committing our own. We stand in need of God's forgiveness and power to live holy lives. Our churches desperately need revival and a humble return to godly sexual practice. And so, with humble and repentant hearts, we return to the Lord, and we invite those both inside and outside the Church to join us in seeking God's blessing in our sexual lives.[15]

We believe that the fundamental problems with most contemporary views of sexuality are, first, that the focus is limited to individual pleasure, relational intimacy, and self-fulfillment; second, that biblical marriage is rejected as the exclusive context for sexual intimacy. While the Scriptures teach that human sexuality is indeed a gift for our enjoyment, its primary purpose is to glorify God.[16] Whether young or old, male or female, single or married, all humans are obligated to glorify our Creator in our sexuality through faithful conformity to God's design as revealed in the Scriptures.

We desire to adhere fully to biblical sexuality. Out of love we remind ourselves and share with others the message of God's judgment upon all forms of sexual immorality.[17] We also believe that there is no place for any form of cruelty, hate or denigration of those who either disagree with these positions or hold to other positions. We unequivocally condemn all injustices, sinful intimidation, and physical violence perpetrated against anyone because of sexual attraction or practice.

The Single Life

The New Testament commends the single life.[18] As followers of Jesus, we are bound in spiritual union with Him as Bridegroom, in Whom we are to be complete and content.[19] By expressing our maleness or femaleness, even apart from romantic relationships, we enrich human community and contribute to the well-being of society. Single men and women are also given the opportunity to serve the Lord with undivided devotion. They are free, in a particular way, to dedicate their entire lives to the Lord and find their greatest fulfillment in pleasing Him. This was true for our Lord Jesus and for the Apostle Paul, who exemplified and elevated the godly single life. God intends both married and single men and women to live in vibrant community together, rather than isolation and loneliness. In this sacred community of deep and committed friendships,

[15] Psalm 85:4-7; Matthew 7:4-5; Acts 3:19-20
[16] 1 Corinthians 6:20; 10:31; Philippians 1:20
[17] 1 Corinthians 6:9-10; Hebrews 13:4; 1 Peter 4:17; Revelation 21:8; 22:15
[18] 1 Corinthians 7:8, 32-35
[19] John 15:5; Ephesians 5:25, 32; 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

we encourage single persons to live out loving, holy, celibate lives. We in the EPC encourage all our churches to nurture holy and missional community among and with single members.

The Married Life

When God created us male and female, He also instituted the ordinance of marriage in which one man and one woman are bound together for life in a solemn covenant, which beautifully illustrates God's covenantal relationship with His chosen people.[20] God's design for marriage and sex in creation is affirmed by Christ, and God directs His people who marry to wed only fellow believers—those who trust in Jesus Christ alone for salvation and have joined His Church.[21] It is within the covenant of marriage alone that God—for His own glory, the mutual encouragement of the spouses, procreation, the strengthening of the family, and the welfare of humankind—has instructed husbands and wives to engage in regular, intimate sexual love.[22] In this relationship for which sex is uniquely reserved, the married couple seeks to remember, celebrate, and model Christ's love for His Church and His Church's devotion to her Lord and to serve one another with godly affection.[23]

A Call to Holiness

We believe God has called us to live holy lives.[24] The Christian believer's body is a temple of God's Spirit;[25] therefore rather than stealing sexual privileges from one another outside of marriage, we are called to edify one another in multiple ways that we may all become more like Christ. Those who are married must avoid every temptation that would diminish the loving faithfulness they vowed in their marriage covenant. Those who are unmarried must seek to honor God through diligently avoiding temptation, restraining ungodly sexual impulses, focusing their energies on serving Christ and neighbor, and eagerly anticipating the new heavens and the new earth, when all things will be restored and every godly human longing beautifully fulfilled.[26] Those who find themselves desiring to be a person of the opposite sex or gender face painful emotions and weighty consequences. With heartfelt sympathy and a deep desire to love and encourage them in their circumstances, we believe all people must find their contentment in Christ alone, accepting His wise and gracious providence, and looking to Him for strength to glorify Him and to serve his or her neighbor through the sex given at conception.[27]

It is encouraging to remember that our Lord Jesus sympathizes with us in our weaknesses because he both suffered when tempted and was tempted in every respect like us, yet without

[20] Genesis 2:23-25; Isaiah 61:10-62:5; Matthew 19:3-12
[21] Malachi 2:10-12; 1 Corinthians 7:39; 2 Corinthians 6:14
[22] Proverbs 5:18-21; 1 Corinthians 7:3-5
[23] Ephesians 5:25-33
[24] Hebrews 12:14; Ephesians 5:3-5
[25] 1 Corinthians 6:18-20
[26] Psalm 16:11; Revelation 19:6-9
[27] We understand that in rare cases, physiological gender ambiguity at birth calls for special care and wisdom.

sin.[28] Extended seasons of bodily weakness and sexual temptation may weaken our sense of God's grace and assurance of salvation, yet God's Spirit never abandons his children, and our Father always provides His people a way of escape from every sin and temptation.[29] Unrepentant sinful behavior and unrepentant lusts are incompatible with the confession of Jesus as Lord required of all members of the EPC. Additionally, it is required of ordained officers in the EPC that they believe, practice, and teach the moral standards contained in the Scriptures and Constitution of the EPC, which are reflected in this position paper.

Recovering from Sexual Brokenness

Because of universal human corruption emanating from the fall of Adam and Eve, we are all broken sexually in one or more ways and to varying degrees.[30] We have all sinned, live in a world full of sin and temptation, and yet have been saved by the sheer grace of God in Christ. Therefore, while we call upon fellow sinners everywhere to repent of their sins,[31] we must do so in a spirit of gentleness,[32] acknowledging it is right and good for us to live in continual personal and corporate repentance, humbly seeking God's help for ourselves and for our neighbor.[33] Through faith in the crucified and resurrected Jesus, we are forgiven all our sexual sins, washed from their impurity, and given the power of the Holy Spirit to live lives worthy of the gospel setting an example for the watching world and inviting them to join us in walking with Jesus.[34]

Those in and out of the Church struggling with various forms of sexual disorientation or gender dysphoria should find God's people ready to walk lovingly with them in their struggles and to invite them to join us in following the Lord. Together as a people, we must all seek healing for our own lives and for each other's lives, discovering what it means to be godly men and women in the circumstances decreed by His providence. Glorifying God in our sexual lives will at times entail suffering or persecution of various sorts, but, by God's empowering grace, we aspire to obey Him with joy.[35]

The Ministry of the Church

The Church belongs to God.[36] He called us out of the dominion of darkness with its sin and degradation into the glorious light of His love.[37] He has called us to reflect His glory by displaying His character and proclaiming His Word to ourselves and the world. As repentant and forgiven sinners, we in the Evangelical Presbyterian Church resolve to teach the biblical truths of

[28] Hebrews 2:14-18; 4:15-16; Westminster Larger Catechism 48
[29] 1 Corinthians 10:13; Philippians 2:12-13; Westminster Larger Catechism 81
[30] Romans 3:22b-23
[31] Acts 17:30
[32] Matthew 7:1-5; Romans 2:1; Galatians 6:1-2
[33] 2 Corinthians 7:10
[34] Romans 8:1ff.; 1 Peter 2:9-12
[35] Romans 5:3-5; 2 Corinthians 4:16-18; James 1:2-4
[36] 1 Peter 1:18-19; Ephesians 5:25; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20
[37] Colossians 1:13; John 12:46, 1 Peter 2:9-10

godly sexuality to our members and to all who will listen, with compassion and with courage, regardless of the cost to ourselves. To do otherwise would be a failure of love. We will strive by God's grace to discipline our personal lives and our local churches in accordance with God's Word. God helping us, we shall continue, within our churches and in the public arena, to teach against and to refuse to condone or participate in any sinful form of sexual practice[38]—including sexual abuse,[39] pornography,[40] sexual lust,[41] extra-marital sex,[42] adultery,[43] polygamy,[44] unbiblical divorce and remarriage,[45] homosexual conduct,[46] same-sex union and marriage,[47] and gender reassignment.[48] At the same time, we resolve to continue to love those who have committed these sins and suffered from them. And we shall wait with eager longing for the day of our Savior's return, when all shall be made right with us and the world. In the name of Jesus, our compassionate Savior, we tenderly welcome all—regardless of their beliefs or lifestyles—to attend our churches. Further, we invite into the membership of our churches all those who—bruised and broken by the Fall—seek now, through sincere faith and genuine repentance, to live in obedience to the Scriptures and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

To God's Name be glory forever.[49]

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[38] Romans 13:13, 14; Ephesians 5:3
[39] Deuteronomy 22:25-27; Ephesians 5:28-31
[40] Matthew 5:27-30; Romans 8:5-13; Ephesians 2:3
[41] 1 Thessalonians 4:4-5; Colossians 3:5
[42] 1 Thessalonians 4:6
[43] Exodus 20:14; Leviticus 18:20; Deuteronomy 22:22; Proverbs 6:32; Matthew 5:31-32; 19:9
[44] Genesis 2:24; Matthew 19:4, 5; 1 Timothy 3:2
[45] Malachi 2:13-16; Matthew 5:31-32; 1 Corinthians 7:39; 2 Corinthians 6:14.
For more, see the EPC "Position Paper on Divorce and Remarriage."
[46] Genesis 19:1-29; Leviticus 18:22; 20:13; Romans 1:26-27; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; 1 Timothy 1:10; Jude 7
[47] Matthew 5:13-16; Romans 1:32; 13:3-4; 1 Peter 2:14
[48] 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; Galatians 5:19-23; Philippians 4:11-13
[49] The EPC's "Position Paper on Human Sexuality" was adopted by the 37th General Assembly in June, 2017 and then amended by the 46th General Assembly in June, 2026. The EPC previously held two other Position Papers, on Homosexuality (1986, amended 1994) and on The Sanctity of Marriage (2004). The 35th General Assembly in June, 2015 voted that the "position paper on homosexuality be revised and placed within a revised sanctity of marriage position paper addressing other like items like singleness." This "Position Paper on Human Sexuality" is the official update and revision of both the older "Position Paper on Homosexuality" and the "Position Paper on The Sanctity of Marriage." Those older editions are archived by the Office of the General Assembly.

BOOK OF DISCIPLINE TASK FORCE

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-book-of-discipline-task-force/

The Book of Discipline Task Force reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Sent a first draft of a revised Book of Discipline to presbyteries and sessions in the fall of 2025 for review and comment.
2. Received and carefully reviewed 320 comments from 42 individuals on the first draft for potential inclusion in a second draft.
3. Completed a second draft revision of the Book of Discipline and submitted it to the Permanent Judicial Commission for review.
4. Received comments from the Permanent Judicial and published a proposed revision of the Book of Discipline for approval by the 46th General Assembly.

Recommendations

The Book of Discipline Task Force, through the National Leadership Team recommends that the 46th General Assembly approve the revised *Book of Discipline* as an entire report without further amendment at this time; and that the requirement to read the report in its entirety be waived (*Rules for Assembly* 14-2); and *Rules for Assembly* 14-3 be suspended in order that the report may be adopted as a whole.

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Work of the Committee

This work was submitted by The Book of Discipline Sub-Task Force members:

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1. **The Task Force for simplifying, clarifying, and organizing the *Book of Discipline* was formed by the National Leadership Team. There has been a general sense in the denomination that *Book of Discipline*:**
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    - Has places that are unclear and/or inconsistent
    - Does not address some situations that have arisen in practice and does not address the problem of abuse (physical, emotional, or spiritual)
2. **Values behind the proposed revision of the *Book of Discipline***
    - Create an easy to follow, step by step organization eliminating the need to skip from one place to another to find information on a topic or process.
    - Clarify and simplify language by eliminating wherever possible the "legalese" so those untrained in law can easily understand.
    - Fill in gaps that experience in using the Book of Discipline has shown to exist.
    - Correct any inconsistencies.
    - Reflect our current cultural context and concerns where needed.
    - Add footnotes to help the reader navigate relevant sections of the Book of Order and, if necessary, explain any terminology.
3. **Substantive Changes in the proposed revision of the *Book of Discipline***

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revision includes numerous cross references to help the reader find sections that address a particular topic, define a term, or describe a process.

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Meeting Dates

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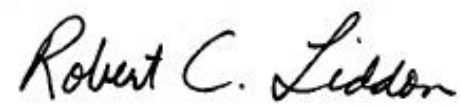

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TASK FORCE APPENDIX 1: BOOK OF DISCIPLINE REVISIONS

Book of Discipline Proposed Revision (May 2026)

General Notes

The first draft of a proposed revision to the Book of Discipline was presented to the 45th General Assembly and made available in October 2025 to all who wanted to review and comment. The Task Force received responses from 44 people and carefully reviewed over 325 individual comments. Many were incorporated in this draft submitted to the National Leadership Team and then to the Permanent Judicial Commission as required by Book of Government 21-3D.2. This final draft includes the input of the Permanent Judicial Commission.

The following proposed revision of the EPC *Book of Discipline* is presented in a 3-column format. The left-hand column is the current text of the *Book of Discipline*. The middle column is the proposed revision. The right-hand column has the rationale for the proposed changes.

For ease of comparison, the location of some sections of the current *Book of Discipline* has been changed. Those sections are indicated in *italics* in the "Current *Book of Discipline*" column.

In the proposed revision, all cross references to the **Book of Order** have been moved to footnotes. Amendments to the **Book of Order** sometimes necessitate changes to cross references. Footnotes may be easily changed in the editorial process without requiring additional amendments.

Abbreviations

G – Book of Government
D – Book of Discipline
W – Book of Worship

Following the 3-column presentation there is a "clean" copy of the proposed revision to the *Book of Discipline* for ease of reading. The Task Force has sought to produce an easier to follow and understand version of the Book of Discipline. Please review the attached draft to see if the Task Force has met its goal.

The Task Force is asking the 46th General Assembly to receive and vote on the document, acknowledging that amendments may be made by the process established in the Book of Government. This procedure has been followed four times in the past when approving significant revisions to the **Book of Order**.

Thank you for your input,

Book of Discipline Revision Task Force
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May 6, 2026

Digest of Changes in the Proposed Revision to the Book of Discipline

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Style

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- Sections of the current *Book of Discipline* in *italics* indicate that the section has been moved to a new location in the proposed revision.
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- Words or sentences highlighted in the proposed revision indicate new wording.
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Chapter 1 - Proposed Book of Discipline Revision

Current Chapter 1	Proposed Chapter 1	Rationale
— 1 — DISCIPLINE: ITS NATURE, SUBJECTS, AND PURPOSE	— 1 — DISCIPLINE: ITS NATURE, PURPOSE, AND SUBJECTS	Chapter title changed to correspond to the proposed new order of the chapter. Little has been amended in proposed Chapter 1, but it has been significantly re-ordered to achieve clarity and better flow of thought.
1-1 Definition of Church Discipline There are two kinds of authority vested in the church; the responsibility of order ~~and~~ the authority of jurisdiction. Both kinds of authority are given the church by the Lord Jesus Christ to instruct and guide her members and to promote her purity and welfare. Discipline is the exercise of the responsibility of order, particularly in regard to the reproving of the erring. As the exercise of such authority may adversely affect the membership rights of an individual who has been accused of an offense, the authority requires the use of ~~ecclesiastical judicial procedures~~.	**1-1 Definition of Church Discipline** A. There are two kinds of authority vested in the church: 1. The Responsibility of Order[1] 2. The Authority of Jurisdiction[2] B. Both kinds of authority are given the church by the Lord Jesus Christ to instruct and guide her members and to promote her purity and welfare. Discipline is the exercise of the Responsibility of Order, particularly regarding "reproving the erring."[3] As the exercise of such authority may adversely affect the membership rights[4] of an individual who has been accused of an offense, the authority may require utilizing actions for discipline.	Sections of current 1-1 are enumerated in the Revision for clarity and for ease of reference. Capitalization used for consistency with the Book of Government (3-2 and 3-3). "Regarding" is more concise than "with regard to." Quotation marks added to indicate quotation of **G**.3-2. The final sentence has been edited for conciseness. "Actions for discipline" has been substituted for "ecclesiastical judicial procedures" throughout for clarity of language.
The word "discipline," when used in the Book of Discipline~~, chapters 1–11, shall therefore~~ refer to the use of ~~ecclesiastical judicial procedures~~.	C. The word "discipline," when used in this *Book of Discipline* refers to actions for discipline.[5]	"Ecclesiastical judicial procedures" has been changed to "actions for discipline" for simplicity of language and internal consistency (see proposed chapter 5).

[1] **G**.3-2 "The officers' Responsibility of Order includes especially the sharing of the gospel, reproving the erring, visiting the sick, and otherwise exhibiting to the world the fruit of the Spirit." See G.3-2 for the full reference.

[2] **G**.3-3 "The Authority of Jurisdiction is the authority to rule and is exercised jointly in ascending Church courts." See G.3-3 for the full reference.

[3] **G**.3-2

[4] Active members (**G**.8-3B) have the right to vote in congregational meetings (**G**.7-7), the right to receive the sacraments in a worthy manner (**W**3-3, **W**3-3), the right to hold office if elected and approved for ordination (G.10), and the benefits of discipline (**D**.1-5A). These rights could be removed by properly imposed sanctions (D.11).

[5] See *Book of Discipline* Chapter 5.

Current Chapter 1	Proposed Chapter 1	Rationale
Church discipline does not supersede or negate the legal responsibility to report cases of suspected abuse to civil authorities according to local and state requirements.	D. Church discipline does not supersede or negate the legal responsibility to report cases of suspected abuse to civil authorities according to local and state requirements.	
1-7 Definition of "Church" *As used in this Book of Discipline, the word "church" shall refer to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, including her General Assembly, Presbyteries (including mission churches), and local churches.*	**1-2 Definition of "Church":** As used in this *Book of Discipline*, the word "church" shall refer to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, including her General Assembly, Presbyteries (including mission churches), and local churches.	Text of current 1-7 has been moved to proposed 1-2 for better flow of thought.
1-5 Purpose of Discipline *The purpose of discipline is to maintain the honor of God, to restore the sinner, and to remove offense from the church. Teaching Elders must instruct the officers and congregation in the use of discipline and jointly practice it in the context of the congregation and courts of the church.*	**1-3 Purpose of Discipline** The purpose of discipline is to: A. Maintain the honor of God, B. Restore the sinner, C. Protect those harmed by the sin of others,[6] D. Remove offense from the church. Teaching Elders must instruct the officers and congregation in the use of discipline and jointly practice it in the context of the congregation and courts of the church.	Text of current 1-5 has been moved to proposed 1-3 for better flow of thought. Sections are enumerated for clarity. Proposed addition of 1-3.C recognizes the need to include the topic of abuse in the *Book of Discipline*. The proposed language includes abuse but applies to other offenses as well. See proposed D.1-6C for an example of a way a person may be protected from harm. Further refinement to the Book of Discipline will be needed as additional committees deal with this topic.
1-6 Basis of Discipline *As the revelation of God's holy will, Scriptural law is the basis of all discipline. Therefore, proper disciplinary principles as set forth in the Scriptures must be followed before any charge alleging a personal offense can be brought before a court of the church.*	**1-4 Basis of Discipline** A. As the revelation of God's holy will, Scriptural law is the basis of all discipline. Therefore, proper disciplinary principles as set forth in the Scriptures must be followed before any charge alleging a personal offense can be brought before a court of the church.	Text of current 1-6 has been moved to proposed 1-4 for better flow of thought. Sections have been enumerated for clarity and easier reference.
When a charge of personal offense is brought before any court of the church, the party bringing the charge must include a ~~ex~~ statement detailing how the principles outlined	B. When a charge of personal offense[7] is brought before any court of the church, the party bringing the charge must ordinarily include a statement detailing how the principles outlined in Matthew 18:15 and Galatians 6:1	Typo in current 1-6 ("ex statement") is corrected here. See footnote for rationale for the additions.

[6] See **G**.9-5A.2

[7] Proposed **D**.4-2A

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in Matthew 18:15 and Galatians 6:1 have been met.	have been met. The court may waive this requirement if it deems that confronting the offender would be inappropriate or otherwise inadvisable.[8]	See footnote 8 for rationale for the waiving the Matt 18/Gal 6 requirement in some situations.
If anyone has evidence to suggest that a Teaching Elder may be guilty of a private offense, he should warn ~~him~~ in private. But if the offense persists, or becomes public, he should bring the case to the attention of ~~some~~ ~~other~~ Teaching Elder of the Presbytery.	C. If anyone has evidence to suggest that a Teaching Elder may be guilty of a private offense,[9] the Teaching Elder should be warned privately. But if the offense persists, or becomes public, the matter should be brought to another Teaching Elder of the Presbytery or the Ministerial Committee.	Gender specific pronoun is unnecessary in this context "Ministerial Committee" has been added because in some cases, the accuser may not have reasonable access to another Teaching Elder or perhaps only to a TE working under the authority of the TE being accused. The Ministerial Committee already has responsibility and authority over TEs and, as a group, is better able to respond as a neutral source.
1-4 Persons Subject to Discipline *All active and inactive members of the church, confirmed, baptized, and affiliate, are entitled and subject to the benefits of discipline.*	**1-5 Persons Subject to Discipline** A. All active and inactive members of the church confirmed, baptized, and affiliate, are entitled and subject to the benefits of discipline.	Text of current 1-4 has been moved to proposed 1-5 for better flow of thought. For clarity, the two subjects of this section have been split into sections A and B.
All Teaching Elders are subject to discipline. ~~Accordingly~~, no Teaching Elder should be shielded from discipline or lightly sanctioned on account of ~~his~~ office. Neither should serious charges be received against ~~him~~ on ~~slight~~ grounds.	B. All Teaching Elders are subject to discipline. Teaching Elders should not be shielded from discipline or lightly sanctioned on account of their office. Neither should serious charges be received against a Teaching Elder on insubstantial grounds.	For conciseness, the word "Accordingly" in current 1-4 has been deleted. Gender specific pronouns deleted in the Proposed Revision. "Slight" has been changed to "insubstantial" for clarity. "Insubstantial" suggests "inadequacy or lack of significance.
1-2 Grounds for Discipline *Not everything displeasing to God is a ground for discipline. The offenses that require*	**1-6 Grounds for Discipline** Not everything displeasing to God is a ground for discipline. Additionally, all Christians are prone to acts of infirmity which should be	Text of current 1-2 moved here for better flow of thought.

[8] Waiving these requirements has in view a situation where a one-on-one meeting of the accuser with the accused may carry a high potential of physical harm, intimidation, or coercion of the accused or be otherwise inadvisable. The Court may make that determination as it sees fit.

[9] Proposed **D**.4-3A

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discipline and are subject to ~~ecclesiastical judicial procedures~~ are as follows:	amended but do not require discipline. The offenses that require discipline and are subject to actions for discipline are as follows:	"Acts of infirmity" is terminology from current 11-2. It has been moved and explained in proposed 1-6. "Actions for discipline" has been substituted for "ecclesiastical judicial procedures" throughout for simplicity of language.
A. Heresy. ***1-9 Definition of "Heresy"*** *~~Heresy is~~ the expressed or implied denial, openly taught and obstinately maintained, of one or more of the essential doctrines of Christianity.*	A. **Heresy**: the expressed or implied denial, openly taught and obstinately maintained, of one or more of the essential doctrines of Christianity.	Definitions of contempt, heresy, and immorality currently in 1-8,1-9, and 1-10 are included in proposed 1-6 for better flow of thought.
B. Immorality. ***1-10 Definition of "Immorality"*** *Immorality is conduct inconsistent with the biblical standards for conduct, including but not limited to bickering, brawling, debauchery, drunkenness, gossiping, hatred, idolatry, impurity, slander, and sexual immorality such as adultery, fornication, homosexual practice, and bestiality.*	B. **Immorality**: conduct inconsistent with the biblical standards for conduct, including but not limited to bickering, brawling, debauchery, drunkenness, gossiping,[10] hatred, abuse, idolatry, impurity, slander, and sexual immorality such as adultery, fornication, homosexual practice, and bestiality. 1. Abuse is the sinful use of power or position to harm, intimidate, exploit, or dominate another person.[11] 2. In cases charging possible abuse, a court may make reasonable accommodations to protect vulnerable parties from possible harm or distress provided that such accommodations do not interfere with the rights of the accused to present an unhindered defense. Any such accommodations may not be used as evidence of abuse in any trial, mediation, implementation of sanctions, or other action of the court.	The inclusion of "abuse" in proposed 1-6B is in response to concerns that the current *Book of Discipline* does not sufficiently address this increasingly pressing issue. Feedback on the proposed revision was strongly in favor of including abuse as a category of immorality rather than as a separate "ground for discipline." The definition of "abuse" in proposed 1-6B.1 was supplied by a select task force of the National Leadership Team. Additional work needs to be done on this topic by General Assembly Committees and may require future amendments to the Book of Discipline. committees on this topic provide a different definition, this section may be amended. Proposed 1-6B.2 has been added in recognition that there are some situations, especially involving abuse, where the general rule of going privately to the individual has a strong potential to inflict greater harm rather than healing. The court should have discretion to allow exceptions to the general rule in such cases.

[10] The terms "bickering and "gossiping" as used herein are intended to deal with those acts that are disruptive to the peace and unity of the church.

[11] See **Westminster Larger Catechism** questions 129, 130 & 151.

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C. Contempt ***1-8 Definition of "Contempt"*** *Contempt is willful conduct done in deliberate disrespect of a court of the church, the constitutional documents of the church, or the* officers of the church acting in their official capacities.	C. **Contempt**: willful conduct done in deliberate disrespect of a court of the church, the constitutional documents of the church, or the officers of the church acting in their official capacities.	
1-3 Church Members Who Are Also Employees *The employer/employee relationship is not within the scope of the Book of Discipline. Church members who are also employees of the church shall be subject to discipline as an employee under whatever procedures may be established by the church for employees. They may also be subject to discipline as a member under the Book of Discipline.*	**1-7 Church Members Who Are Also Employees** The employer/employee relationship is not within the scope of the Book of Discipline. Church members who are also employees of the church shall be subject to discipline as an employee under whatever procedures may be established by the church for employees. They may also be subject to discipline as a member under the *Book of Discipline*.	Text of current 1-3 has been moved to proposed 1-7 for better flow of thought.
1-11 Definition of "Jurisdiction" [A revised version of the first paragraph has been moved to proposed chapter 3] *Jurisdiction, as defined herein, is the authority of a court to render a decision in a case requiring discipline. This is the exercise of the responsibility of order. A court must have jurisdiction over both the individual accused and the subject matter of the charge before it can issue an indictment or render a decision. This definition is not to be confused with the authority of jurisdiction. The authority of jurisdiction is the power to rule and is a joint power to be exercised in church courts in regular gradation. The exercise of such power shall always reflect the essential unity of the church. The exercise of the authority of jurisdiction provides the court with the authority to decide issues of government, administration, or law as it pertains to the rule of the church.*		*Current 1-11 has been moved to proposed 3-2 for better flow of thought.*

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In the case of actions by a church court raising issues, misunderstandings, and disputes—which are not personal offenses requiring discipline, but which raise issues that bear upon the authority of jurisdiction— one may seek review / file a complaint (petition, request for review by) in the court having original jurisdiction thereof. Such complaint, however, will not be subject to ecclesiastical judicial procedures unless the court determines that the conduct made the basis of the complaint is willful and done in deliberate disrespect of a court of the church, the constitutional documents of the church, or the officers of the church acting in their official capacities. If such determination is made, the court will then signify the use of ecclesiastical judicial procedures in all further proceedings and, upon judgment, an automatic appeal will be taken to the next higher court.		

Chapter 2 - Proposed Book of Discipline Revision

Current Chapter 2	Proposed Chapter 2	Rationale
— 2 — ~~PASTORAL CARE~~	— 2 — SPIRITUAL POWERS OF THE CHURCH	Title has been changed to better reflect the topic of the chapter.
~~**2-1 The Duty to Evangelize**~~ In terms of its work, the first duty of the church is to evangelize by extending the gospel both at home and abroad, leading others to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and to provide for the nurture of that faith that all might grow in grace and in sanctification (Book of Government 4-3).203		2-1 has been deleted for conciseness. Evangelism is the first duty of the church. It is well stated and appropriately placed in the *Book of Government*. Evangelism is not within the scope of the *Book of Discipline*.
~~**2-2**~~ **The Spiritual Power of the Church** The power of the church is moral and spiritual, thus distinguishing the government of the church from civil government ~~(Book of~~	**2-1 The Spiritual Power of the Church** The power of the Church is moral and spiritual, thus distinguishing the government of the Church from civil government. The Evangelical	"Church," when capitalized, refers to the Universal Church (*Book of Government* chapter 1)

~~Government 3-1).~~ This means that the church does not have civil authority ~~over anyone~~.	Presbyterian Church does not have civil authority.[12]	For conciseness, "This means that" and "over anyone" in current 2-2 has been dropped.
2-3 Spiritual Nurture of Members Among other duties, it is the duty of the church to provide for the nurture of its members ~~(Book of Government 4-4A)~~.	**2-2 Spiritual Nurture of Members** Among other duties, it is the duty of the church to provide for the nurture of its members and their families.[13]	"And their families" was added to proposed D.2-2 for consistency with WCF 2.1: the visible church "consists of everyone in the world who professes the true religion together with their children."
2-4 Retention of Authority over Church Property While possessing no civil authority over any person, the church does retain authority over its property and ministries. In providing a secure and nurturing atmosphere for worship and spiritual growth, the church retains the right to exclude anyone from its property, services or ministries on such terms and conditions as it may desire. Thus, for example, a particular church may require certain standards before permitting adults to teach ~~Sunday School~~, lead ministries, or otherwise participate in the life and ministry of the church.	**2-3 Retention of Authority over Church Property** While possessing no civil authority over any person, the church does retain authority over its property and ministries. In providing a secure and nurturing atmosphere for worship and spiritual growth, the church retains the right to exclude anyone from its property, services, or ministries on such terms and conditions as it may desire. Thus, for example, a local church may require certain standards before permitting adults to teach, lead ministries, or otherwise participate in the life and ministry of the church.	Note: The Session has the responsibility to define the specific nature of a "secure and nurturing atmosphere." "Particular" changed to "local" for consistency with the *Book of Government* 5.5. "Sunday School" omitted as unnecessary. It is included in the word "teach."

Chapter 3 – Proposed Book of Discipline Revision

Current Chapter 4	Proposed Chapter 3	Rationale
— 4 — JURISDICTION **4-1 The Right of Private Judgment** Since "God alone is Lord of the conscience," we consider the right of private judgment in religious matters to be universal and unalienable. Therefore,	— 3 — JURISDICTION OF CHURCH COURTS **3-1 The Right of Private Judgment** Since "God alone is Lord of the conscience,"[14] we consider the right of private judgment in religious matters to be universal and unalienable.[15] Therefore,	Current chapter 4 has moved to proposed chapter 3 for better flow of thought. Title has been changed to better reflect the content of the chapter.

[12] G.3-1

[13] G.4-4B

[14] *Westminster Confession of Faith* 20.2

[15] **G**.25-2A

Current Chapter 4	Proposed Chapter 3	Rationale
the church in disciplinary cases has jurisdiction only over her members ~~(D.1–4)~~.	the church in disciplinary cases has jurisdiction only over her members.[16]	
1-11 Definition of "Jurisdiction" Jurisdiction~~, as defined herein~~, is the authority of a court to render a decision in a case requiring discipline. This is the exercise of the responsibility of order. A court must have jurisdiction over both the individual accused and the subject matter of the charge before it can issue an indictment or render a decision. This definition is not to be confused with the authority of jurisdiction. The authority of jurisdiction is the power to rule and is a joint power to be exercised in church courts in ~~regular gradation~~. The exercise of such power shall always reflect the essential unity of the church. The exercise of the authority of jurisdiction provides the court with the authority to decide issues of government, administration, or law as it pertains to the rule of the church.	**3-2 Definition of Jurisdiction** Jurisdiction is the authority of a church court to render a decision in a case requiring discipline. This is the exercise of the Responsibility of Order.[17] A court must have jurisdiction over both the individual accused and the subject matter of the charge before it can issue an indictment or render a decision. This definition is not to be confused with the Authority of Jurisdiction. The Authority of Jurisdiction is the power to rule and is a joint power to be exercised in church courts in ascending order.[18] The exercise of such power shall always reflect the essential unity of the church. The exercise of the Authority of Jurisdiction provides the court with the authority to decide issues of government, administration, or law as it pertains to the rule of the church.	Current 1-11 has been moved to proposed 3-2 for better flow of thought. Capitalization of Responsibility of Order and Authority of Order has been added for consistency with *Book of Government* chapter 3. "Regular gradation" in current 1-11 has been changed to "ascending order" for simplicity of language and internal consistency. Footnotes *to Book of Government* have been added.
~~In the case of actions by a church court raising issues, misunderstandings, and disputes—which are not personal offenses requiring discipline, but which raise issues that bear upon the authority of jurisdiction—one may seek review / file a complaint (petition, request for review by) in the court having original jurisdiction thereof. Such complaint, however, will not be subject to ecclesiastical judicial procedures unless the court determines that the conduct made the basis of the complaint is willful and done in deliberate disrespect of a~~		The second paragraph of current 1-11 has been deleted as being unnecessary and confusing.

[16] Proposed **D**.1-5

[17] **G**.3-2

[18] "Ascending order" is the same as "regular gradation" in **G**.2-1A, **G**.3-3, and **G**.9-10.

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~~court of the church, the constitutional documents of the church, or the officers of the church acting in their official capacities. If such determination is made, the court will then signify the use of ecclesiastical judicial procedures in all further proceedings and, upon judgment, an automatic appeal will be taken to the next higher court.~~		
4-2 Original Jurisdiction In cases of original jurisdiction, the following rules apply:	**3-3 Original Jurisdiction** In cases of original jurisdiction, the following rules apply:	
A. The Session The Session has original jurisdiction in every disciplinary case involving members of that local church.	A. The Session The Session has original jurisdiction in every disciplinary case involving members of that local church.	
B. The Presbytery The Presbytery has original jurisdiction in every disciplinary case involving Teaching Elders of the Presbytery and jurisdiction over chapter 14 complaints regarding actions or decisions of sessions within its designated area ~~(G.19-1)~~.	B. The Presbytery The Presbytery has original jurisdiction in every disciplinary case involving Teaching Elders of the Presbytery, appeals from actions for discipline decided by sessions,[19] and complaints[20] regarding actions or decisions of sessions within its designated area.[21]	Wording has been dropped from current 4-2B for conciseness. The jurisdiction of presbyteries over appeals arising from disciplinary cases at the local church level is missing in the current version and has been added in the proposed revision.
C. The General Assembly The General Assembly has original jurisdiction over ~~chapter 14~~ complaints regarding actions or decisions of Presbyteries and judicial cases referred to it by a lower court ~~(G.22-3)~~	C. The General Assembly The General Assembly has original jurisdiction over complaints[22] regarding actions or decisions of Presbyteries and judicial cases referred to it by a lower court.[23]	
D. Dissolved Churches ~~If a particular church is dissolved, the Presbytery shall assume jurisdiction with~~	D. Dissolved Churches The Presbytery shall immediately assume jurisdiction in cases of discipline in process	Book of Order references have been moved to footnotes.

[19] See Proposed **D**.13, on "Appeals" and Proposed D.3-4 and 3-5 on assumption of jurisdiction due to unwillingness or failure to act.
[20] See Proposed **D**.14, "Complaints."
[21] **G**.19-1
[22] Proposed **D**.14
[23] **G**.22-3

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~~regard to any case of discipline begun by the Session but not concluded.~~	but interrupted by the dissolution of a local church or mission church.	Wording in proposed 3-3-D has been rewritten for clarity.
E. Transfer of Membership A member of a local church or a Presbytery whose membership is being transferred shall remain under the jurisdiction of the ~~first until~~ ~~received by the second.~~	E. Transfer of Membership A member of a local church or Presbytery whose membership is being transferred shall remain under the jurisdiction of the original court until received by the receiving court.	Wording in proposed 3-3E has been changed for clarity.
4-3 Assumption of Jurisdiction In the event a court shall be unable or unwilling to try a person or persons accused, the next higher court may assume jurisdiction after giving thirty days' written notice to the lower court of its intention to assume jurisdiction.	**3-4 Assumption of Jurisdiction** In the event a court shall be unable or unwilling to try a person or persons accused, the next higher court may assume jurisdiction after giving thirty days' written notice to the lower court of its intention to assume jurisdiction.	
4-4 Failure to Act When a court of original jurisdiction fails to act ~~in a disciplinary case before it for a period of~~ ninety days after ~~initiation of the case~~, the next higher court may, ~~on motion by any member of~~ the ~~church~~, assume jurisdiction. ~~It may issue~~ ~~instructions to the lower court, or it may~~ conclude the case itself.	**3-5 Failure to Act** When a court of original jurisdiction fails to act in an action for discipline within ninety days after receiving a written charge or notice of offense, upon request from A. Any active member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church from within the same Presbytery, B. A member of the court of original jurisdiction, or C. An accused or accuser in an out of bounds offense,[24] the next higher court, may either instruct the lower court to act or assume jurisdiction to conclude the case itself.	Proposed D.3-5 has been rewritten for clarity and internal consistency. This section includes input from the Permanent Judicial Commission.
4-5 Termination of Jurisdiction Jurisdiction in judicial cases ends upon receipt of written notice of renunciation by the Clerk or Stated Clerk of the court of original jurisdiction. In the event an individual orally renounces jurisdiction, this fact shall be confirmed by letter from the court	**3-6 Termination of Jurisdiction by Renunciation** Jurisdiction in judicial cases ends upon receipt from the accused of written notice of renunciation by the Clerk or Stated Clerk of the court of original jurisdiction. In the event an individual orally renounces jurisdiction, this fact shall be confirmed by letter from the court	Title of proposed D.3-6 has been changed to better reflect the content of the section. "From the accused" added for clarity.

[24] See proposed **D**.4-5 regarding "Out of Bounds Offenses."

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~~acknowledging that renunciation~~. The letter shall be delivered in person or by form of mail requiring a written receipt. If the court receives no written response within ten days, the acknowledgement of renunciation of jurisdiction shall be deemed final. In such instances, a case already begun may be concluded only with the permission of the accused.	verifying the individual's intention to renounce jurisdiction. The letter shall be delivered in person or by form of mail requiring a written receipt. If the court receives no written response within ten days, the acknowledgement of renunciation of jurisdiction shall be deemed final. In such instances, a case already begun may be concluded only with the signed permission of the accused.[25]	Sentence modified for clarity. "Signed" has been added to clarify how the accused gives permission.

Chapter 4 – Proposed Book of Discipline Revision

Current Chapter 5	Proposed Chapter 4	Rationale
— 5 — OFFENSES	— 4 — OFFENSES	Current chapter 5 has been moved to proposed chapter 4 for better flow of thought.
5-1 Offenses ~~As defined D.1-2 offenses which require discipline are three kinds:~~ Heresy, Immorality, and Contempt ~~for the established order of the church~~. Nothing ought to be considered by any court as an offense, or admitted as a matter of accusation, which cannot be proved to be such from Scripture. The Westminster Confession of Faith, with the Larger and Shorter Catechisms and the Book of Order ~~consisting of the Book of Government, the Book of Discipline, and the Book of Worship~~, are the standards adopted by the church as expositions of the teachings of Scripture in relation to faith and practice.	**4-1 Offenses** Three kinds of offenses require discipline: Heresy, Immorality, and Contempt.[26] Nothing ought to be considered by any court as an offense, or admitted as a matter of accusation, which cannot be proved to be such from Scripture. **The Westminster Confession of Faith**, with the **Larger and Shorter Catechisms**, **The Essentials of Our Faith**, and the **Book of Order**, are the standards adopted by the church as expositions of the teachings of Scripture in relation to faith and practice.	First sentence edited for conciseness. Elaboration of "contempt" has been deleted as it is unnecessary here. "Essentials of our Faith" is part of the Constitution of the EPC (see Preface to the **Book of Order**." Elaboration of the **"Book of Order"** has been deleted as it is unnecessary here.
5-2 Personal and General Offenses A personal offense is ~~an offense as defined in D.5-1 in a way of~~ wrong done to ~~some particular~~ person or persons, including one's	**4-2 Personal and General Offenses** A. A personal offense is a wrong done to a person or persons, including one's own self.	Proposed 4-2 has been condensed for conciseness. Cross references are unnecessary here.

[25] See G.14-2B.3 and 14-4C for the effect of renunciation of jurisdiction.

[26] Proposed **D**.1-6

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own self. A general offense is ~~an offense as defined in D.5-1,~~ but not directed against any particular person.	B. A general offense is a wrong that is not directed against any particular person.	For clarity, the two subjects of this section are given separate headings.
5-3 Private and Public Offenses Private offenses are those known only to an individual ~~or at most only~~ to a few persons. Public offenses are those that are known to more than a few persons.	**4-3 Private and Public Offenses** A. Private offenses are those known only to an individual or to a few persons. B. Public offenses are those that are known to more than a few persons.	Proposed 4-3 has been condensed for conciseness. For clarity, the two subjects of this section are given separate headings.
5-4 ~~Preliminary Sanctions~~ When it is impracticable to commence an action against an accused church member, the Session may, if it thinks the edification of the church requires it, exclude the accused from the sacraments until the charges against him can be examined.	**4-4 Temporary Suspensions** When an action against an accused church member, the Session may, if it thinks the peace and purity[27] of the church requires it, temporarily suspend the accused from the sacraments and/or bar the accused from church property[28] until the action for discipline has been concluded.	The title of proposed 4-4 has been changed for clarity. The section has to do with procedures prior to trial. Sanctions occur following trial. Prior to trial a suspension is temporary. Following trial, a suspension is either "definite" or "indefinite." The first sentence has been rewritten in proposed 4-4 to reflect the situation in which there may be a temporary suspension. There should be no temporary suspension if there is no action for discipline in process. "Edification" has been changed to "peace and purity" for consistency of language (see footnotes). Excluding a person from the property may be necessary to ensure security (proposed **D**.2-3). Gender specific pronoun is unnecessary.
5-5 Out-of-Bounds Offenses When an offense, alleged to have been—~~committed at a distance, is not likely to otherwise become known to the court having jurisdiction~~, it shall be the duty of the court within whose bounds the ~~facts~~ occurred, after satisfying itself there is a ~~strong presumption of guilt~~, to send notice to the court having jurisdiction, which shall at once proceed against the accused; or the whole case may be	**4-5 Out-of-Bounds Offenses** When an offense is alleged to have taken place in a manner or location unknown to and/or outside the bounds of the court of original jurisdiction, it shall be the duty of the court within whose bounds the alleged offense occurred, after satisfying itself there is compelling evidence warranting a trial, to send notice of pending charge(s) to the court having jurisdiction, which shall at once proceed against the accused; or the whole case may be	The wording change in proposed 4-5 clarifies what "at a distance" means. An offense may occur at a short distance, but outside the jurisdiction of a presbytery. "Facts" has been changed to "alleged offense' for clarity. "Strong presumption of guilt" has been changed to "compelling evidence warranting a trial" to maintain a high bar for going to trial and ensure that the accused is not presumed guilty during a trial. See also proposed 5-6B and 5-7.

[27] See **G**.4-1, 5-5A, 5-6A, D.8-3A and vows taken by members and officers.

[28] Proposed **D**.2-3

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transferred for trial and imposition of sanctions, if any, to the coordinate court within whose bounds the offense is alleged to have been committed.	transferred for trial and imposition of sanctions, if any, to the coordinate court within whose bounds the offense is alleged to have been committed.	

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Current Chapter 6	Proposed Chapter 5	Rationale
— 6 — COMMENCING ~~AN ECCLESIASTICAL JUDICIAL PROCEDURE INVOLVING~~ DISCIPLINE	— 5 — COMMENCING ACTIONS FOR DISCIPLINE	Current chapter 6 and portions of current chapters 7 and 10 have been moved to proposed chapter 5 for better flow of thought. The title for proposed chapter 5 has been simplified to "Action for Discipline."
~~*7-1 Investigation of a Charge*~~ A. *Care over the Church* *It is the duty of all church courts to exercise care over those subject to their authority. They shall, with care and discretion, investigate reports concerning alleged offenses that require discipline. This duty is imperative when a person claiming to be aggrieved ~~by an offense shall request an investigation in writing.~~*	**5-1 Care over the Church** It is the duty of all church courts to exercise care over those subject to their authority. They shall, with care and discretion, investigate reports concerning alleged offenses that require discipline. This duty is imperative when a person claiming to be aggrieved files a written charge with the court.[29]	Current 7-1A moved to proposed 5-1 for better flow of thought. Phrase edited for conciseness and clarity.
6-1 Commencement of Actions for Discipline An action for discipline shall commence:	**5-2 Commencement of Actions for Discipline** Actions for discipline are commenced by one of three means:	First sentence of proposed 5-2 has been modified for clarity.
A. By a Person or Persons When a person files a written charge with the Clerk of the court of appropriate jurisdiction.	A. By a Person or Persons When a person or persons file a written charge with the Clerk of the court of original jurisdiction.[30]	Wording has been changed to "person or persons" for internal consistency. "Appropriate" has been changed to "original" for internal consistency.
B. By the Court	B. By the Court When the court having jurisdiction[31] determines that a charge is in order.	

[29] The aggrieved party should use the appropriate Form for Discipline.
[30] Proposed D.3-3
[31] *Ibid*.

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When the court having jurisdiction determines that a charge is in order ~~and there is a strong presumption of the guilt of the accused.~~		"Strong presumption of the guilt of the accused" has been deleted as it is too early in the process to come to this conclusion. In proposed 4-5, 5-6B, and 5-7, "strong presumption of guilt" has been changed to "compelling evidence warranting a trial" throughout. See note on proposed 4-5 for rationale of the new terminology.
~~***11-9 Confession and Restoration***~~ *A. Confession* When any person ~~shall~~ come forward and make his offense known to the court or commission, a ~~full~~ statement of the facts ~~shall~~ be recorded, ~~and judgment rendered without judicial procedures.~~ ~~When an officer, before judgment is entered, shall make a confession of a matter that is marked by outrageous or scandalous crime or vice, such as substance abuse, marital infidelity, embezzlement or the like, however penitent he may appear to the satisfaction of all, the court or commission shall without delay suspend or remove him from his office.~~	C. By Confession When any person comes forward and makes his or her offense known to the court or commission of original jurisdiction,[32] a statement of the facts shall be recorded, and judgment may be rendered and sanctions may be imposed with or without further actions for discipline, formal trial, or mediation.	Current 11-9A moved to proposed 5-2C for better flow of thought. "Or her" is necessary in this context. "Of original jurisdiction" has been added for clarity. "Full" has been deleted because it is never certain when this target has been reached. "Shall" has been changed to "may" because it is appropriate to give the court discretion in these situations. "Sanctions may be imposed" has been added for clarity. "Actions for discipline" has been substituted for "ecclesiastical judicial procedures" for internal consistency. In the situation of a confession, mandatory imposition of sanctions has been changed to discretionary. The court needs a wide range of options on how best to proceed, including the ability to impose sanctions without a trial. Experience has shown that in many cases only a small part of deeply rooted sins may be revealed in a confession.
7-6 ***Biased Accusations and Testimony*** *Great caution should be exercised by the court or commission in receiving accusations and testimony from any person:* *A. Who is known to hold a malignant spirit ~~against~~ the accused;* *B. Who is not of good character;*	**5-3 Cautions Against Biased Accusations and Testimony** Great caution should be exercised by the court or commission in receiving accusations and testimony from any person A. Who is known to hold a malignant spirit towards the accused, B. Who is not of good character,	Current 7-6 has been moved to proposed 5-3 for better flow of thought. Section title has been changed to better reflect the content of the section. The word "towards" is preferred rather than "against."

[32] *Ibid*.

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C. *Who is under sanction or who is the subject of an action for ~~ecclesiastical judicial~~ ~~procedures;~~* D. *Who is deeply interested in any respect in the conviction of the accused~~; or~~* E. *Who is known to be litigious, contentious, rash, or highly imprudent.*	C. Who is under sanction or who is the subject of an action for discipline, D. Who is deeply interested in any respect in the conviction of the accused, E. Who is known to be litigious, contentious, rash, or highly imprudent, F. Who is offering a confession for an offense which may be incomplete or not fully accurate.	"Actions for discipline replaces "ecclesiastical judicial procedures" throughout. Section F has been added to acknowledge that when confessing, the accused is his/her own accuser. Experience has shown that confessions are often prejudicial and incomplete.
6-2 Limitation on Actions An action for discipline must ~~be commenced~~ within three years after the acts constituting the offense were committed, ~~unless~~ the acts were unknown and were not reasonably knowable by the offended person or court. In the event that the offended person is under the age of 18, the action for discipline must ~~be commenced~~ before that person's twenty-first birthday.	**5-4 Limitation on Actions** An action for discipline must commence within three years after the acts constituting the offense were committed, with certain exceptions: A. The acts were unknown and were not reasonably knowable by the offended person or court. B. The offended person is under the age of 18, in which case the action for discipline must commence before that person's twenty-first birthday unless the offense includes abuse.[33]	Active voice "must commence" is preferable to passive. Sections of proposed 5-4 are enumerated for clarity. Introductory phrase was added due to the new format. Statute of limitations should be extended for children who may be unable to bring an accusation during the 3-year time limitation. There is no time limitation if the offense includes abuse.
7-5 Private Reconciliation *~~When the prosecution is instituted by the court~~ ~~or commission the steps required by D.1-6 in~~ ~~the case of personal offenses are not necessary. There are many cases, however,~~ in which it will be advisable to send a committee to converse in a private manner with the accused and endeavor to bring him to a sense of repentance, before instituting actual ecclesiastical judicial procedures. The committee may then make recommendations to the court or commission concerning further prosecution of the case.*	**5-5 Private Reconciliation** There are cases of personal offenses in which it will be advisable for the court to send a committee to converse in a private manner with the accused and endeavor to bring the accused to a sense of repentance before instituting actions for discipline. The committee may then make recommendations to the court or commission concerning further prosecution of the case.	Current 7-5 moved to proposed 5-5 for better flow of thought. First sentence of current 7-5 has been deleted as unnecessary in the new context. "For the court" has been added for clarity. "Actual" was deleted as unnecessary. "Actions for discipline" was added for internal consistency.

[33] See D.1-1D regarding reporting to civil authorities.

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6-3 ~~Preliminary~~ Investigation of a Charge ~~by a Person or Persons~~ After an action is commenced by a person: ~~A. The court or commission shall commence a preliminary investigation in accordance with D.7-1.~~	**5-6 Investigation of a Charge** A After an action for discipline is commenced by a person (persons) and when private reconciliation is either not advisable or has been unsuccessful 1. The Clerk of the court, or a duly appointed body, shall determine if the action for discipline is in order. 2. If the action for discipline is determined to be out of order, the Clerk or a duly appointed body shall advise the accusers of the decision and its grounds. The decision shall be reported to the court, which shall sustain or not sustain the decision.	Title of 5-6 has been changed to reflect added content. A "preliminary" investigation is a confusing category has been deleted. A process has been added to determine whether a charge filed is in order. The process is like that of filing a complaint (proposed chapter 14).
7-1C. Judicial Investigative Committee *~~The court may appoint a~~ judicial investigative committee ~~to serve as a finder of fact, which shall report~~ its findings to the court with its recommendations. The judicial investigative committee shall have no authority to act for the court other than as an investigative body.*	B. If the action for discipline is determined to be in order or if the court has initiated the action for discipline, the court shall form a judicial investigative committee to conduct an investigation into charges filed. The judicial investigative committee shall have no authority to act for the court other than as an investigative body. The judicial investigative committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the court.	Current 7-1C has been moved to proposed 5-6A for better flow of thought. Forming a judicial investigative committee (JIC) has been changed from discretionary (may) to mandatory (shall) when an action for discipline has been commenced and determined to be in order. Forming a JIC is the appropriate next step. There is not another means by which a charge can be properly investigated by the court. A "preliminary investigation" and "finder of fact" are nebulous terms. The final sentence has been added for clarity in the process.
[6-3 continued] B. After the ~~preliminary~~ investigation is concluded, the court ~~or commission~~ shall ~~make a determination~~ whether ~~or not~~ there is a ~~strong presumption of the guilt~~ of the accused.	C. After the investigation is concluded, the court shall decide whether there is compelling evidence to warrant a trial.	"Preliminary" has been dropped because the investigation is intended to end with the committee's recommendations. "Make a determination" has been changed to "decide" and "whether or not" changed to "whether" for more concise wording. See proposed 4-5 for the rationale for "compelling evidence to warrant a trial."
	D. If the court does not find compelling evidence of guilt to warrant a trial, the charge will be dismissed.	Proposed 5-6 D has been added to provide clarity in the process.

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6-4 Proceedings upon a Determination of a ~~Strong Presumption of Guilt~~ ~~In the event of a determination of a strong presumption of the guilt of the accused, the court or commission shall appoint a~~ prosecutor, who shall prepare an indictment and proceed to trial ~~in accordance with Chapters 7 through 10.~~	**5-7 Proceedings upon a Determination of Compelling Evidence Warranting a Trial**	The title of current 6-4 has been kept, substituting "compelling evidence warranting a trial." The bulk of current 6-4 has been deleted due to redundancy with current 7-2. The repetition is unnecessary in the reorganization of the proposed revision.
7-2 ~~Appointment of a~~ Prosecutor *~~If an investigation should result in raising a strong presumption of guilt of the party accused, the court shall institute an ecclesiastical judicial procedure, and~~ shall appoint a prosecutor to prepare an indictment and to prosecute the case. The prosecutor shall be a member of the court. In cases before the Session, however, he need not be a member of that court, but needs only to be a communing member of the church (as defined in D.1-7).*	A. The court shall appoint a prosecutor. 1. In actions before the Presbytery, the prosecutor shall be a Teaching Elder who is a member of the Presbytery or a Ruling Elder who is an active member in a local church of the Presbytery. 2. In actions before the Session, the prosecutor need not be a Ruling Elder of that congregation but shall be an active member of that church.[34][35]	Current 7-2 and 7-3 have been moved to proposed 5-7 for better flow of thought. Current 7-2 has been clarified in proposed 5-7 due to questions that have arisen in past disciplinary actions. Text has been condensed and enumerated in proposed 5-7 for clarity. Proposed 5-7A.2: Gender-specific pronoun is unnecessary. "Active member" has been substituted for "communing member" for consistency with the *Book of Government* (**G**.8-3B).
7-3 ~~Selection of Prosecutor~~ *Ordinarily, no offended person ~~(or person knowing of an offense)~~ shall become a prosecutor of personal offenses. ~~A~~ church ~~court, however, may investigate personal offenses requiring discipline under D.6-1 when they become known to members of the court.~~*	3. In the case of a personal offense, no offended person or a potential witness having personal knowledge of an offense shall become a prosecutor.	"Ordinarily" has been deleted and wording changed so that there is no exception to this conflict of interest. The final sentence of current 7-3 has been deleted as it is confusing in this context and provisions for the court commencing an action for discipline have been covered in earlier sections.
7-4 ~~Parties in a Case~~ *The ~~original and only~~ parties ~~in a case of ecclesiastical judicial procedure~~ are the accuser and the accused. The accuser is always the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, whose honor and purity are to be maintained.*	B. The prosecutor shall prepare an indictment and proceed to trial. 1. The parties in actions for discipline are the accuser and the accused. The accuser is always the Evangelical Presbyterian	Title of proposed 5-7B has been taken from the text of current 6-4. "In a case of ecclesiastical judicial procedure" has been changed to "actions for discipline" in proposed 5-7B for internal consistency.

[34] **G**.8-3B

[35] See **D**.3-4 and **D**.3-5 in the event a local church is unwilling, unable, or fails to act on an action for discipline.

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The prosecutor is always the representative of the church. ~~On appeal the parties are known as appellant and appellee.~~	Church, whose honor and purity are to be maintained. The prosecutor is always the representative of the church.	"Original and only" has been deleted for conciseness. "Appellant and Appellee" are unneeded in this context and are described in proposed chapter 13 on "Appeals."
~~8-3 Indictment~~ *A. ~~Heading of the Indictment~~* *Every indictment shall begin: "In the name of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church," and shall conclude, "against the peace, unity, and purity of the church, and the honor and majesty of the Lord Jesus Christ, as the King and Head thereof."*	2. Every indictment shall begin: "In the name of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church," and shall conclude, "against the peace, unity, and purity of the church, and the honor and majesty of the Lord Jesus Christ, as the King and Head thereof."	Current 8-3A and B have been moved to proposed 5-7B.2 and 3 for better flow of thought.
B. ~~Contents of the Indictment~~ *The indictment shall clearly state the times, places ~~and~~ circumstances ~~as to~~ the actions alleged to require disciplinary sanctions, so that the accused ~~may have~~ adequate notice of the charges and the opportunity to make ~~his~~ defense.*	3. The indictment shall clearly state the times, places, circumstances, and names of witnesses of the actions alleged to require an action for discipline, including the names of witnesses then known to support it so that the accused will be given adequate notice of the charges and the opportunity to make a defense.	Heading of current 8-3B has been deleted as unnecessary. "Names of witnesses…" is language from current 8-2A.2. "Will be given" is appropriately stronger language than "may have." Gender specific pronoun is unnecessary in this context.
~~8-2 Processing a Charge~~ *~~A. Commencement~~* ~~When ecclesiastical judicial procedures are commenced in accordance with D.6-1, nothing shall be done at the first meeting of the court thereafter, unless by consent of the parties, except:~~ *~~1. To appoint a prosecutor in accordance with D.7-1 and D.7-3.~~* *~~2. To order the indictment drawn and a copy, including names of witnesses then known to support it, served on the accused, in person or by means requiring a written receipt.~~* *~~3. To set a date for trial. [moved to proposed D5-7C.5]~~* *~~B. Commissions~~*	4. The prosecutor shall serve a copy of the indictment either in person or by means requiring a written receipt. C. Actions of the Court upon appointment of a prosecutor	Much of the text of current 8-2 has been deleted as unnecessary in the reorganization of the proposed revision. Proposed 5-7B.4 has been revised for conciseness. Setting a date for trial has been moved to proposed D5-7C.5 for better flow of thought.

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~~*Ordinarily,*~~ *the court shall decide at this time whether it shall try the case or refer the case for trial and decision to a judicial commission* ~~*in accordance D.10-5 and G.21-1B.*~~ *Commissioners shall be ordained Elders within the jurisdiction of the court involved.*	1. The court shall decide whether it will try the case or refer the case for trial and decision to a judicial commission[36] appointed by the court.	"Ordinarily" has been deleted because determining whether to try by court or commission is essential at this point in the process. "Shall" reflects this necessity. Requirements for membership of a judicial commission have been moved to proposed 5-7C.4 for better flow of thought.
~~*C. Moderator Pro-Tempore*~~ *With the consent of the Moderator, and if the court so desires, it may elect one of its members to serve as Moderator* ~~*Pro-Tempore*~~ *for a particular case. The Moderator* ~~*Pro-Tempore*~~ *shall exercise the duties of a Moderator* ~~*as described in G.18-2 or G.19-3*~~ *with respect to the particular* ~~*judicial case*~~ *only.*	2. If the court tries the case, it may elect one of its members to serve as Temporary Moderator for the case with the consent of the Moderator. The Temporary Moderator shall exercise the duties of a Moderator[37] only with respect to the particular action for discipline. Neither the Moderator nor the Temporary Moderator may serve if they have a conflict of interest in the case.	Current 8-2C moved to proposed 5-7C.2 for better flow of thought. "If the court tries the case" establishes the necessary condition for possible election of a Temporary Moderator. "Temporary Moderator" has replaced "Moderator Pro-Tempore" for simplicity of language. Book of Government reference has been moved to a footnote. "Action for discipline" has replaced "judicial case" for internal consistency of terminology. The final sentence is included to prohibit conflict of interest.
~~***10-5. Judicial Commissions***~~ ~~*A. Rights and Duties*~~ ~~*A judicial commission created in accordance with D.8-2 B, shall have all the rights, privileges, duties, and obligations of the court in the matter assigned to it.*~~	3. If the case is referred to a judicial commission, the commission has the full authority of the court to act on the matter referred. Ordinarily the Judicial Commission will be dissolved at the stated meeting of the court following the conclusion of the trial.	Authority and composition of a judicial commission in current 10-5 has been moved to proposed D.5-7C.3 for better flow of thought. The text has been rewritten for clarity.
~~*B.*~~ *Composition* *Judicial commissions shall be composed of no* ~~*less*~~ *than three or more than seven members elected by the court.*	4. Composition of judicial commissions: a. Judicial commissions of the shall be composed of no fewer than three and no more than seven members elected by the court	Requirements for composition of judicial commissions have been enumerated for clarity. "Fewer" is correct when referring to countable things.
~~*C. Membership*~~ *Judicial commissions of Presbytery shall be composed* ~~*of Teaching Elders and Ruling Elders in proportion as near to two Ruling*~~	b. Judicial commissions of the Presbytery shall be composed of a ratio of one Teaching Elders to two Ruling Elders to the extent possible unless the court appoints the	Additional wording is necessary to harmonize proposed **D**.5-7C.4(b) with **G**.21-2D.2(e) which authorizes the Presbytery to appoint the Ministerial Committee as a judicial commission. The Ministerial

[36] **G**.21-1A, B

[37] **G**.18-2A; **G**.19-3A

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~~*Elders to one Minister as possible in accordance with Book of Government G.21-1C.*~~	Ministerial Committee as the judicial commission. c. Judicial commissions of the Session shall be composed of Ruling Elders of the congregation and may include the Teaching Elders of the congregation.[38] At least one member of the Commission must be a Ruling Elder actively serving on the Session.	Committee may not meet the otherwise required ratio. Language of proposed **D**.5-7C.4b has been added to address membership requirements for judicial commissions formed by Sessions. Pastors and associate pastors are members of the court and as such are eligible to serve on a judicial commission of the court. Assistant pastors are excluded as they are not members of the court. D.5-7C.4d has been added to rule out bias on the commission
	d. Members of a judicial investigative committee should ordinarily not serve on a judicial commission to avoid any appearance of bias. e. The court shall appoint the Moderator of the judicial commission. The Moderator is a member of the judicial commission with voice and vote. f. The prosecutor is not eligible to be a member of the judicial commission.	**D**.5-7C.4e has been added to address an area of confusion due to the silence of the current *Book of Discipline* on the matter. **D**.5-7C.4f clarifies that the prosecutor is not a voting member of the commission. The prosecutor is representing the court and is biased. **D**.5-7C.5 clarifies an issue upon which the current Book of Discipline is silent.
	5. Ordinarily the court will set a date for trial upon the appointment of the prosecutor.	Current D.7-7 has been moved to proposed D.5-7C.6 for better flow of thought. The text has been rewritten for clarity and internal consistency (see proposed 11-2A on temporary suspensions).
~~*7-7 Suspension of Official Functions*~~ ~~*When an action for discipline has been commenced against a member of a court, any or all of his official functions may be suspended at the court's or commission's discretion, but this shall never be done in the way of sanction.*~~	6. If the accused is a member of the court, the court may temporarily suspend any or all the official functions of the accused. This shall not be considered a sanction.[39]	
6-5 Trial ~~The court or commission shall conduct a trial in accordance with Chapters 9 and 10.~~		Current 6-5 and 6-6 address the trial phase where proposed chapter have been deleted as unnecessary in the context of proposed chapter 5 addresses commencing actions for discipline (pre-trial).

[38] Teaching Elders of the congregation are pastors and associate pastors. Assistant pastors are called by the Session, not the congregation, and therefore are not eligible to serve on a judicial commission of a local church.

[39] See proposed D.11-2A regarding temporary suspensions, which are not sanctions.

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6-6 Decision ~~The court or commission shall render its decision in accordance with Chapter 11.~~		

Chapter 6 – Proposed Book of Discipline Revision

Current Chapter 3	Proposed Chapter 6	Rationale
— 3 — PROCESSES APPLICABLE TO ALL ECCLESIASTICAL JUDICIAL PROCEDURES	— 6 — *EX PARTE* COMMUNICATIONS	Current chapter 3-1 moved here for better flow of thought. The Latin term *ex parte* has been kept as no concise substitute was found. The term is defined in 6-1A.
3-1 Ex parte Communications A. Once any ecclesiastical judicial procedure under this *Book of Discipline* is commenced, ex parte communications are prohibited. B. An ex parte communication is any form of communication to the presiding court or commission ~~(Session, Presbytery, Judicial Commission, or Permanent Judicial Commission, including the Office of the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly)~~ by one party ~~to a proceeding~~ in the absence of the other ~~parties~~ to that proceeding that relates to the merits of the proceeding. It includes but is not limited to verbal, written, electronic, or any other form of communication. C. This prohibition against ex parte communication does not include questions on procedural matters that may be addressed to the Clerk of the court or commission. ~~But otherwise the prohibition against ex parte communication on the merits of the proceeding applies to the Clerk of the court or commission.~~	**6-1 Definition of *Ex Parte* Communications** A. An *ex parte* communication is any form of communication to the presiding court or commission or Officer of the presiding court by one party in an action for discipline in the absence of the other party to that action that relates to the merits of the action. It includes but is not limited to verbal, written, electronic, or any other form of communication. B. Once a court begins an action for discipline,[40] *ex parte* communications are prohibited. C. This prohibition against *ex parte* communication does not include questions on procedural matters that may be addressed to the Clerk of the court or Moderator of the commission.	Title changed to reflect the content. Current 3-1 A and B are reversed in proposed 6-1A and B for better flow of thought. Parenthetical expression in current 3-1B has been deleted as unnecessary. "Officer of the presiding court" is added for clarity. "Action" substituted for "proceeding" for internal consistency. First phrase has been substituted for clarity and consistency. "Moderator of the commission" added as necessary if the court chooses to try a case by a commission. Final sentence of current 3-1C deleted as unnecessary (see addition to proposed 6-1A).

[40] See Proposed Chapter 5

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D. ~~Therefore, the church courts, its officers, and judicial commissions shall act in accordance with the following:~~ 1. Any attempt at ex parte verbal communication shall be immediately interrupted by the member of the court to whom the communication is directed. The member of the court shall make a record of the attempted communication, place it in a separate file, and communicate to the other ~~side~~ the attempted ex parte communication. The record of the attempted communication shall include the name of the person(s) attempting to so communicate and the date of the attempted communication; under no circumstances shall the content of any ex parte communication be added to the case file of the subject ~~ecclesiastical judicial proceeding~~; 2. Any form of ex parte communication, including notes from a verbal communication, shall be placed in a separate file and communicated to the other ~~parties~~ and members of the presiding court or commission. 3. If a party desires communication with a court or a judicial commission, that party shall request a ~~conference call~~ with the court or commission. The court or commission, or its designee, shall determine if the ~~conference call~~ is in order,	**6-2 Actions in the event of *ex parte* communication** A. Any attempt at *ex parte* verbal communication shall be immediately interrupted by the member of the court to whom the communication is directed. B. The member of the court shall 1. Make a record of the attempted communication, 2. Place the record in a separate file, and 3. Communicate to the other party the attempted *ex parte* communication. C. The record of the attempted communication shall include 1. The name of the person(s) attempting to so communicate, 2. The date of the attempted communication. D. Under no circumstances shall the content of any *ex parte* communication be added to the case file of the subject of an action for discipline. E. Any form of *ex parte* communication, including notes from a verbal communication, shall be placed in a separate file and communicated to the other party and members of the presiding court or commission. **6-3 Proper communication with a court, commission, or its officers** If a party desires communication with a court or a judicial commission, that party shall request a meeting in person or by audio or video conference with the court or	For clarity, current 3-1D has been deleted and summarized as a heading in proposed 6-2. Sections have been enumerated for clarity. "Side" has been changed to "party" for internal consistency. "Action for discipline" has been substituted for "ecclesiastical judicial procedure" throughout for simplicity of language Heading added for clarity. "Conference call" has been updated to reflect current technology.

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and, if so, shall schedule the ~~conference~~ ~~call~~. The party desiring communication shall be responsible for arranging the ~~call~~ ~~and will bear the cost thereof~~.	commission. The Court or Commission, or its designee, shall determine if the meeting is in order, and, if so, shall schedule the audio or video conference. The party desiring communication shall be responsible for arranging the meeting.	The provision requiring the person requesting the meeting to bear the cost has been deleted as it is potentially discriminatory.

Chapter 7 – Proposed Book of Discipline Revision

Current Chapter 3-2	Proposed Chapter 7	Rationale
3-2 Mediation	— 7 — MEDIATION	For clarity, current 3-2 has been placed in its own chapter (proposed chapter 7)
	7-1 Assignment of mediation	
A. At the sole discretion of a court or commission ~~(Session, Presbytery or General Assembly)~~, an ~~ecclesiastical judicial procedure brought~~ ~~under this Book of Discipline~~ may be assigned to a mediator(s). A matter so assigned ~~for~~ ~~mediation~~ may only proceed with the written consent of all necessary individuals as determined by the court or commission referring the matter to mediation.	A. At the sole discretion of a court or judicial commission, an action for discipline once commenced may be assigned to a qualified mediator(s) agreed upon by both parties prior to the commencement of a trial. A matter so assigned may only proceed with the written consent of all necessary individuals as determined by the assigning court or commission. The court may assign all or part of the action for discipline allowing a portion of the charge(s) to go into mediation while remaining charges continue to trial.	Wording deleted for conciseness. "Discipline once commenced" was added to place a necessary condition on when the mediation process can be engaged. Proposed 7-1A gives the court or commission the discretion to use the services of qualified mediators outside of the membership of the EPC. There is no necessity to utilize only EPC members as mediators. The proposed revision clarifies that mediation, if used, happens before the trial begins. The final sentence has been added in response to a lack of clarity on this issue experienced by a presbytery.
B. ~~Upon the court's assignment of a church member(s) to serve as~~ a mediator, he will not be eligible to serve as a member of the court should it prove necessary for the matter to be brought ~~before the court or judicial commission.~~	B. At least one voting member of the court or commission prosecuting the case shall represent the court or commission at mediation.[41] If the assigned mediator(s) are members of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, the mediator(s) shall not be eligible to serve as a member of the court or judicial commission should it prove necessary for the matter to be brought to trial.	The prosecutor's responsibility is to represent the court at trial and by virtue of that position cannot be a voting member of the court and does not carry the authority of the court to enter into an agreement. For that reason, a voting member of the court needs to be the mediator or one of the team of mediators.

[41] The prosecutor is not a voting member of the judicial commission (proposed **D**.5-7C.4(f))

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C. *Prior to the commencement of mediation, the mediator(s) shall obtain the written agreement of all participants ~~in the mediation to be~~ bound by the following:* 1. *All discussions are to be considered confidential unless ~~all~~ parties and the mediator(s) agree otherwise.* 2. *Any admissions ~~made~~ and settlement offers made ~~will~~ not be cited in any further proceeding concerning any other matter before the court should the matter not be resolved in mediation. No participant in the mediation will call a mediator(s) as a witness to the mediation in any subsequent hearing and/or in any other forum.* *Any person who violates the terms of this agreement may be subject to sanction ~~for rebellion under Book of Discipline 1-8.~~* 3. *A mediator(s) may only report to the court or commission whether the matter has been settled, or not settled, or partially settled. If settled, the terms of any settlement will be disclosed to the court or judicial commission. However, no settlement can be entered into which conflicts ~~shall conflict~~ with any provision of the Constitution of the EPC. Any such settlement will be considered null and void ~~ab initio (from the beginning).~~ Written settlements are to be sealed and kept by the Clerk of the court separate from ~~the~~ ~~court's or commission's regular minutes.~~* 4. *No formal record of any settlement discussions ~~will~~ be made. This prohibition includes the use of any recording device or a stenographer.*	C. Prior to the commencement of mediation, the mediator(s) shall obtain the written agreement of both parties, by which both parties shall be bound by the following: 1. All discussions are considered confidential unless both parties and the mediator(s) agree otherwise. 2. Any admissions and settlement offers made shall not be cited in any further proceeding concerning any other matter before the court, should the matter not be resolved in mediation. No participant in the mediation will call a mediator(s) as a witness to the mediation in any subsequent hearing and/or in any other forum. 3. Any person who violates the terms of this agreement may be charged with contempt and subject to sanction. 4. A mediator(s) may only report to the court or Judicial Commission whether the matter has been settled, or not settled, or partially settled. If settled, the terms of any settlement shall be disclosed to the court or judicial commission. However, no settlement can be entered into which conflicts with any provision of the Constitution of the EPC.[42] Any such settlement will be considered null and void. Written settlements are to be sealed and kept by the Clerk of the court separate from the minutes of the court or judicial commission. 5. No formal record of any settlement discussions shall be made. This prohibition includes the use of any recording device or a stenographer.	"In the mediation" deleted for conciseness. "Will" has been changed to "shall" throughout this chapter to be consistent with its usage in the Book Order indicating mandatory provisions. Wording changed in 7-1.3C for clarity and consistency. "Contempt" rather than "rebellion" is the proper terminology. "Shall" deleted as unnecessary. Latin term *ab initio* deleted for clarity. Wording changed for clarity. "Shall" is consistently used in the Book of Order for mandatory provisions.

[42] The Constitution of the EPC consists of the **Westminster Confession of Faith**, **Westminster Larger Catechism**, **Westminster Shorter Catechism**, and the **Book of Order** in its three parts (*Book of Government, Book of Discipline,* and *Book of Worship*).

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5. *If ~~any~~ party to mediation desires to have legal counsel, the other party shall be afforded the same opportunity. ~~The provisions of D.10-3 shall apply to all counsel.~~*	**7-2 Legal counsel for mediation** If either party to mediation desires to have legal counsel, the other party shall be afforded the same opportunity.[43]	Heading added for clarity. There are two parties, so "either" is correct.

Current Chapter 7 – Book of Discipline

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— 7 — PRE-HEARING PROCESS IN ECCLESIASTICAL JUDICIAL PROCEDURES INVOLVING DISCIPLINE **7-1 Investigation of a Charge** A. Care over the Church It is the duty of all church courts to exercise care over those subject to their authority. They shall, with care and discretion, investigate reports concerning alleged offenses that require discipline. This duty is imperative when a person claiming to be aggrieved by an offense shall request an investigation in writing. B. Written Charges No investigation against an accused offender shall be commenced unless some person files a written charge with the Clerk of the court, or unless the court finds it necessary under Book of Discipline 1-5 and 1-6 for itself to undertake an investigation. C. Judicial Investigative Committee The court may appoint a judicial investigative committee to serve as a finder of fact, which shall report its findings to the court with its recommendations. The judicial investigative committee shall have no		Content of current Chapter 7 has been moved to proposed Chapter 5, rearranged, and condensed. Proposed chapter 5 now contains all the content related to the time frame of commencing a charge to appointing a prosecutor.

[43] See provisions regarding learned counsel in Proposed D.10-3

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authority to act for the court other than as an investigative body. **7-2 Appointment of a Prosecutor** If an investigation should result in raising a strong presumption of guilt of the party accused, the court shall institute an ecclesiastical judicial procedure, and shall appoint a prosecutor to prepare an indictment and to prosecute the case. The prosecutor shall be a member of the court. In cases before the Session, however, he need not be a member of that court, but needs only to be a communing member of the church (as defined in D.1-7). **7-3 Selection of Prosecutor** Ordinarily, no offended person (or person knowing of an offense) shall become a prosecutor of personal offenses. A church court, however, may investigate personal offenses requiring discipline under D.6-1 when they become known to members of the court. **7-4 Parties in a Case** The original and only parties in a case of ecclesiastical judicial procedure are the accuser and the accused. The accuser is always the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, whose honor and purity are to be maintained. The prosecutor is always the representative of the church. On appeal the parties are known as appellant and appellee. **7-5 Private Reconciliation** When the prosecution is instituted by the court or commission the steps required by D.1-6 in the case of personal offenses are not necessary. There are many cases,		

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however, in which it will be advisable to send a committee to converse in a private manner with the accused and endeavor to bring him to a sense of repentance, before instituting actual ecclesiastical judicial procedures. The committee may then make recommendations to the court or commission concerning further prosecution of the case. **7-6 Biased Accusations and Testimony** Great caution should be exercised by the court or commission in receiving accusations and testimony from any person: A. Who is known to hold a malignant spirit against the accused; B. Who is not of good character; C. Who is under sanction or who is the subject of an action for ecclesiastical judicial procedures; D. Who is deeply interested in any respect in the conviction of the accused; or E. Who is known to be litigious, contentious, rash, or highly imprudent. **7-7 Suspension of Official Functions** When an action for discipline has been commenced against a member of a court, any or all of his official functions may be suspended at the court's or commission's discretion, but this shall never be done in the way of sanction.		

Chapter 8 – Proposed Book of Discipline Revision

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— 8 — HEARINGS IN ~~ECCLESIASTICAL JUDICIAL PROCEDURES~~ INVOLVING DISCIPLINE **8-1 Warning to All**	— 8 — HEARINGS IN ACTIONS FOR DISCIPLINE **8-1 Warning to All**	Title modified for conciseness and internal consistency.

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Every member of a court or commission engaged in ~~an ecclesiastical judicial procedure~~ shall bear in mind the command of Scripture: ~~"Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted."~~ ~~Galatians 6:1 (NIV).~~	Every member of a court or commission engaged in an action for discipline shall bear in mind the command of Scripture: "Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Sprit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted.[44]	"Action for discipline" has been substituted for internal consistency. Quotation from the NIV has been changed to the 2011 version. This is in keeping the revision's attempt to remove gender-specific terminology when it is unnecessary. The EPC does not have a designated Bible translation for the **Book of Order**.
8-2 Processing a Charge A. Commencement When ecclesiastical judicial procedures are commenced in accordance with D.6-1, nothing shall be done at the first meeting of the court thereafter, unless by consent of the parties, except: 1. To appoint a prosecutor in accordance with D.7-1 and D.7-3. 2. To order the indictment drawn and a copy, including names of witnesses then known to support it, served on the accused, in person or by means requiring a written receipt. 3. To set a date for trial. B. Commissions Ordinarily, the court shall decide at this time whether it shall try the case or refer the case for trial and decision to a judicial commission in accordance D.10-5 and G.21-1B. Commissioners shall be ordained Elders within the jurisdiction of the court involved. C. Moderator Pro-Tempore With the consent of the Moderator, and if the court so desires, it may elect one of its members to serve as Moderator Pro-Tempore for a particular case. The Moderator Pro-Tempore shall exercise the duties of a Moderator as described in G.18-2 or G.19-3 with respect to the particular judicial case only.		Current 8-2, 8-3, 7-2 and 7-3 have been combined and rewritten for conciseness and clarity **in proposed 5-6 and 5-7.**

[44] Galatians 6:1 (New International Version, 2011)

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8-3 Indictment A. Heading of the Indictment Every indictment shall begin: "In the name of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church," and shall conclude, "against the peace, unity, and purity of the church, and the honor and majesty of the Lord Jesus Christ, as the King and Head thereof." B. Contents of the Indictment The indictment shall clearly state the times, places and circumstances as to the actions alleged to require disciplinary sanctions, so that the accused may have adequate notice of the charges and the opportunity to make his defense.		
8-4 Formal Summons A. Issuance of Formal Summons The Moderator or Clerk shall issue formal summons in the name of the court ~~or~~ to the accused and to such witnesses as either party shall nominate to appear on ~~his~~ behalf. B. Contents The formal summons shall identify the parties to the trial, shall state the time and place of the trial, and shall warn the parties and witnesses of the sanctions for refusal to obey a formal summons. C. Service of Summons and Indictment The Clerk of the court or commission shall deliver a copy of the summons and the indictment to the defendant in person or by form of delivery requiring a signed receipt. The Clerk shall further deliver a summons to necessary witnesses in person or by form of delivery requiring a signed receipt. D. Witness and Exhibits List	**8-2 Formal Summons** A. Issuance The Moderator or Clerk shall issue formal summons in the name of the court to the accused and to such witnesses as either party shall nominate to appear on its behalf. B. Contents The formal summons shall identify the parties to the trial, shall state the time and place of the trial, and shall warn the parties and witnesses of the sanctions for refusal to obey a formal summons. C. Service of Summons and Indictment The Clerk of the court or commission shall deliver a copy of the summons and the indictment to the defendant in person or by form of delivery requiring a signed receipt. The Clerk shall further deliver a summons to necessary witnesses in person or by form of delivery requiring a signed receipt. D. Witness and Exhibits List	"Or removed as a typographical error. Gender-specific pronoun is unnecessary in this context

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~~Each of the~~ parties shall provide the other with a list of expected witnesses and copies of all exhibits not later than 5 days before trial (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays) by personal delivery or by means requiring a written receipt.	Both parties shall provide the other with a list of expected witnesses and copies of all exhibits not later than 5 days before trial (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays) by personal delivery or by means requiring a written receipt.	Changed for conciseness
8-5 Refusal to Obey a Formal Summons	**8-3 Refusal to Obey a Formal Summons**	
A. Accused Person When an accused person ~~shall refuse to obey~~ a formal summons, ~~he~~ shall be served with a second formal summons.	A. Accused Person When an accused person fails to respond to a formal summons, the accused shall be served with a second formal summons.	Fails to respond is a broader category and does not assume the worst. Gender-specific pronoun unnecessary in this context.
B. Second Summons A second formal summons shall be accompanied with a notice that if ~~he~~ does not appear at the time appointed (unless providentially hindered, which fact ~~he~~ must make known to the court), or that if ~~he~~ appears and refuses to plead, ~~he shall be dealt with for~~ his rebellion.	B. Second Summons A second formal summons shall be accompanied with a notice that if the accused does not appear at the time appointed (unless providentially hindered, which fact the accused shall make known to the court), or that if the accused appears and refuses to plead, the accused shall be considered in contempt.[45]	"The accused" has been substituted for "he/his." "Contempt" has been substituted for "rebellion" for internal consistency.
C. Sanctions for Failure to Appear When an accused person, having been twice formally summoned in accord ~~with D.8-5B~~ ~~shall fail~~ to appear, the court or commission shall enter this fact ~~upon~~ its records, together with a copy of the indictment~~, and shall suspend the accused person from the sacraments for his rebellion in failing to appear.~~	C. Sanctions for Failure to Appear When an accused person, having been twice formally summoned willfully fails to appear, the court or commission shall enter this fact into its records, together with a copy of the indictment, and shall treat the failure to appear as an act of contempt. 1. For a member of the church, the court or commission shall suspend the accused person from the sacraments indefinitely. If the charge is of a serious nature, the court or commission may proceed to the sanction of excommunication.[46] 2. For a Teaching or Ruling Elder, the court or commission shall suspend the Officer	Cross reference in current 8-5C deleted as unnecessary. "Willfully fails" seeks to capture the meaning of the traditional but not widely understood term "contumacy." "Into" rather than "upon" its records is preferred. Failure to appear after being twice summoned is an act of contempt warranting sanctions. Proposed 8-3C.1 has been edited for clarity and conciseness. The proposed wording adds the specificity of an indefinite suspension with the possibility of excommunication if the situation warrants

[45] Proposed D.1-6A

[46] See Proposed 11-2 regarding sanctions.

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~~In the event the accused person shall be an officer~~, the court or commission shall ~~remove him~~ from office and suspend or excommunicate him from the church. In the event the accused person shall be a member but not an officer and the charge be one of a serious nature ~~as described in D.1-2,~~ the court may proceed to ~~removal of the accused person from the membership and fellowship of the church.~~	both from office and the sacraments indefinitely. If the charge is of a serious nature, the court or commission may proceed to the sanctions of removal from office or excommunication.[47]	In the proposed revision "removal" is permanent. Indefinite suspension, which carries the possibility of restoration, is the appropriate sanction at this point. The last sentence reflects the escalation of sanctions described in proposed chapter 11.
D. Failure of a Witness to Appear In the event a duly summoned officer or member of the church willfully fails to appear or refuses to testify, the court may treat the refusal of the witness to appear as ~~rebellion~~, and may proceed to ~~admonish, suspend, remove from office, and/or expel him from the membership and fellowship of the church without need for further action.~~	D. Failure of a Witness to Appear In the event a duly summoned officer or member of the church willfully fails to appear or refuses to testify, the court may treat the refusal of the witness as contempt and proceed to prosecution of the witness.	"Contempt" has replaced "rebellion" for internal consistency. The last phrase has been condensed for clarity and conciseness. Sanctions should not be imposed without trial.
8-6 Time Periods ~~The time which must elapse between the serving of the first formal summons on the accused person, and the meeting of the court at which he is to appear shall be at least ten days.~~ The time allotted for his appearance on the subsequent summons shall be left to the discretion of the court, provided that it is quite sufficient for a reasonable and convenient compliance with the summons.	**8-4 Time Periods** At least ten days must elapse between service of the first formal summons on the accused person, and the meeting of the court at which the accused is to appear. The time allotted for appearance following the second summons shall be left to the discretion of the court or commission, provided that it is sufficient for reasonable compliance.	The first sentence has been condensed for conciseness Gender-specific pronoun unnecessary in this context.

[47] *Ibid.*

Chapter 9 – Proposed Book of Discipline Revision

Current Chapter 9	Proposed Chapter 9	Rationale
— 9 — ~~EVIDENCE~~	— 9 — RULES FOR TESTIMONY	Title has been changed to better reflect the content of the chapter.
9-1 Competency of Witnesses Competency means ability to testify. All persons, including ~~the~~ parties, who have sufficient ~~intelligence~~ to understand the obligation of ~~an oath or affirmation~~, are competent witnesses.	**9-1 Competency of Witnesses** Competency means ability to testify. All persons, including both parties, who have sufficient ability to understand the obligation of a solemn promise,[48] are competent witnesses.	"Intelligence" has been changed to "ability" to avoid any unintended negativity. See rationale for "solemn promise" in proposed **D**.9-7.
9-2 Testimony of the Accused The accused party ~~may be allowed but not compelled~~ to testify. No inference of guilt may be drawn from ~~his~~ failure to testify. The person or persons who filed the charges ~~under D.6-1A~~ shall be required to testify on the demand of the accused.	**9-2 Testimony of the Accused** The accused party cannot be required to testify.[49] No inference of guilt may be drawn from failure to testify. The person or persons who filed the charges shall be required to testify on the demand of the accused.	Edited for conciseness. "His" has been deleted as unnecessary.
9-3 ~~Families~~ Husbands and wives, parents and children, shall not be required to testify against each other.	**9-3 Family Members** Husbands and wives, parents and children, shall not be required to testify against each other.	"Family members" is more limiting than "families."
9-4 ~~Exclusion of~~ Witnesses ~~Any witness to be examined, other than the accused or a member of the court, may be excluded from the examination of any other witness in the same case if any party objects.~~	**9-4 Dismissing Witnesses** The court or commission[50] shall have broad discretion as justice may require to dismiss any witness (other than the accused or accuser) from the room while another witness is testifying.	"Dismissing" is more descriptive of the content of this section than "exclusion." Proposed 9-4 has been rewritten for clarity and, and, following the input of the Permanent Judicial Commission, to give the court broad discretion in this matter.
9-5 Disqualification of Witnesses A member of the court who has given testimony in a case ~~becomes disqualified for sitting as a judge~~ if either party objects.	**9-5 Disqualification of Witnesses** A member of the court or commission who has given testimony in a case shall be ineligible to vote on the case if either party objects.	"Or commission" was added for internal consistency. "Shall be ineligible…" has been substituted for clarity.

[48] See proposed **D**.9-7.

[49] See proposed **D**.2-1.

[50] "Commission" means judicial commission throughout this chapter.

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9-8 Credibility *Credibility means the degree of credit which may be given to the testimony of a witness. In assessing the credibility of a witness, the court may consider ~~any matter that bears on the~~ credibility of the witness, including, but not limited to, the witness's relationship to ~~the~~ ~~parties~~ or other witnesses, ~~his~~ interest in the result, ~~his~~ weakness of understanding, ~~his~~ demeanor while testifying, his character for honesty or truthfulness, and ~~his~~ belief in the existence of God and a future state of rewards and punishments.*	**9-6 Credibility of Witnesses** Credibility means the degree of credit which may be given to the testimony of a witness. In assessing the credibility of a witness, the court may consider relevant matters that bear on the credibility of the witness, including, but not limited to, the witness's A. Relationship to either party or other witnesses, B. Personal interest in the result, C. Weakness of understanding, D. Demeanor while testifying, E. Character for honesty or truthfulness, F. Belief in the existence of God and a future state of rewards and punishments.	Current **D**.9-8 has been moved to proposed 9-6 for better flow of thought. "Relevant matters" replaces "any matter" for clarity. Relevant matters bearing on the credibility of a witness have been enumerated for clarity. Gender-specific pronouns are unnecessary in this context.
9-6 ~~Oath or Affirmation~~ ~~The oath or affirmation to a witness shall be administered by the Moderator in the following or like terms:~~ "Do you solemnly promise, in the presence of God, that you will declare the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, according to the best of your knowledge in the matter in which you are called to witness,~~ as you shall answer it to the great Judge of the living and the dead?" If, however, at any time a witness should present himself before a court and for conscientious reasons prefers to swear or affirm in any other manner, he should be allowed to do so.~~	**9-7 The Solemn Promise of the Witness** The Moderator (or Temporary Moderator) shall administer a solemn promise to a witness in the following or like terms: "Do you solemnly promise, in the presence of God, that you will declare the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, according to the best of your knowledge in the matter in which you are called to witness?"	Title of proposed 9-7 has been changed and the section rewritten to remove potential objections of conscience to taking an "oath."
9-7 Examination of Witnesses A. Examination and Cross-Examination Witnesses shall be examined first by the party introducing them; then cross-examined by the opposite party, after which ~~any~~ party or member of the court may ask additional questions. No question shall be asked or answered except by permission of the Moderator subject to an appeal to the court or	**9-8 Examination of Witnesses** A. Examination and Cross-Examination Witnesses shall be examined first by the party introducing them; then cross-examined by the opposite party, after which either party or any member of the court may ask additional questions. No question shall be asked or answered except by permission of the Moderator subject to an appeal to the court or	There are two partes, so "either" is the proper word.

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commission. The court or commission shall not permit ~~cumulative or~~ repetitive questions or questions which are frivolous or irrelevant to the charge at issue.	commission. The court or commission shall not permit repetitive questions or questions which are frivolous or irrelevant to the charge at issue.	"Cumulative" was deleted as redundant and to simplify language.
B. Witness Inconvenience When the alleged offense took place at a distance, and it is inconvenient for the witnesses to appear before the court having jurisdiction, that court may either appoint a judicial investigative committee or request the ~~coordinate court contiguous to the place~~ ~~where~~ the facts occurred to take the testimony for it.	B. Witness Inconvenience 1. When the alleged offense took place at a distance, and it is inconvenient for the witnesses to appear before the court having jurisdiction, that court may either a) appoint a judicial investigative committee to take the testimony, or b) request the court within whose bounds the facts occurred to take the testimony on behalf of the court of original jurisdiction	9-7B has been enumerated for clarity. Rewritten for clarity and simplicity.
Due notice of the time and place of the taking of testimony by the judicial investigative committee or the coordinate court shall be given to the opposite party. Testimony may be taken by questions asked to the witness with answers recorded in writing or recorded by electronic or other means. ~~All~~ parties shall have the right to examine the witness.	2. Due notice of the time and place of the taking of testimony by the judicial investigative committee or the coordinate court shall be given to the opposite party. Testimony may be taken by questions asked to the witness with answers recorded in writing or recorded by electronic or other means. Both parties shall have the right to examine the witness.	
[Current D.9-8 has been moved to proposed D.9-6]		
9-10 Burden of Proof The testimony of more than one witness shall be necessary in order to prove an allegation of the indictment. However, if in addition to the testimony of one witness, other supporting evidence is proved, the allegation may be considered to be proved.	**9-9 Burden of Proof** The testimony of more than one witness shall be necessary in order to prove an allegation of the indictment. However, if in addition to the testimony of one witness, other supporting evidence is proved, the allegation may be considered to be proved.	

Chapter 10 - Proposed Book of Discipline Revision

Current Chapter 10	Proposed Chapter 10	Rationale
— 10 — THE TRIAL	— 10 —TRIAL PROCEEDINGS	Title changed for clarity.
10-1 Trial Proceedings ~~When a court or commission proceeds to trial of a case, the following order shall be observed:~~	**10-1 Order of the trial**	Heading changed to avoid redundancy with the title. First sentence of current 10-1 deleted as unnecessary.
A. ~~The~~ Charge to the Court or Commission The Moderator (or Moderator ~~Pro-Tempore~~) shall exhort the members to remember and consider their high character as judges of a court of Jesus Christ and the solemn duty in which they are about to participate.	A. Charge to the court or commission The Moderator (or Temporary Moderator) shall exhort the members of the court or commission to remember and consider their high character as judges of a court of Jesus Christ and the solemn duty in which they are about to participate.	"Pro-tem" has been changed to "Temporary Moderator" throughout for simplicity of language. "Of the court or commission" clarifies "members."
B. Indictment The Moderator ~~(or Moderator Pro-Tempore)~~ shall read the indictment, and the accused shall be called upon to declare whether he is ~~guilty or not. If the~~ accused pleads guilty, the court or commission ~~may deal with him~~ according to its discretion. If he pleads not guilty the trial shall proceed. Accused parties may plead in writing when they cannot be personally present. ~~Accused parties necessarily absent shall have counsel assigned to them.~~	B. Indictment The Moderator (or Temporary Moderator) shall read the indictment, and the accused shall be called upon to plead either "guilty" or "not guilty." If the accused pleads "guilty," the court or commission shall act according to its discretion. If the accused pleads "not guilty," the trial shall proceed. The accused party may plead in writing when unable to be personally present. If the accused party is necessarily absent, the court or commission may postpone the trial or allow the accused to name an active member of the church as a representative.	"Temporary Moderator" substituted for internal consistency (Proposed D5-7.C2). Edited for clarity substituting "plead" for "declare" for internal consistency. The tone of "shall act" is preferred to "may deal with him" The final sentence has been rewritten for clarity. The practice of the court assigning counsel should not be carried over from the secular to ecclesiastical court.
C. Service of Summons Before proceeding to trial, the court or commission shall ascertain that its summons has been duly served.	C. Service of Summons Before proceeding to trial, the court or commission shall ascertain that its summons has been duly served.	
D. Opening Statements Each party shall be permitted to make a brief opening statement not longer than 15 minutes unless a longer time shall be granted by the court or commission. The prosecutor shall	D. Opening Statements Each party shall be permitted to make a brief opening statement not longer than 15 minutes unless a longer time shall be granted by the court or commission. The prosecutor shall proceed, followed by the accused.	

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proceed, followed by the accused ~~party or parties.~~ E. Testimony The witnesses for the prosecution and then those for the accused shall be ~~examined in accordance with Chapter 9.~~ F. Exclusion of Prosecutor and the Accused Person On all questions arising in the progress of a trial, the discussion shall first be between the prosecutor and the accused persons. When they have been heard, they may be required to withdraw from the court until the members deliberate upon and decide the question. The Moderator shall announce the court's or commission's decision upon return of prosecutor and accused ~~parties~~ to the courtroom. G. Closing Argument Each party shall be permitted to make a brief closing argument not longer than 15 minutes unless a longer time shall be granted by the court. The prosecutor shall proceed, followed by the accused ~~party or parties~~. The prosecutor shall be permitted to close, but total amount of time allocated to each party shall be equal. H. Deliberations The roll shall be called, and the members may express their opinions in the case. The prosecutor and the accused ~~persons~~ may be required to withdraw from the court until the members deliberate upon and decide the question. I. The Vote	E. Testimony The witnesses for the prosecution and then those for the accused shall be examined. F. Exclusion of Prosecutor and the Accused Person On all questions arising in the progress of a trial, the discussion shall first be between the prosecutor and the accused persons. When they have been heard, they may be required to withdraw from the court until the members deliberate upon and decide the question. The Moderator (or Temporary Moderator) shall announce the court's or commission's decision upon return of the prosecutor and the accused to the courtroom. G. Closing Argument Each party shall be permitted to make a brief closing argument not longer than 15 minutes unless a longer time shall be granted by the court. The prosecutor shall proceed, followed by the accused. The prosecutor shall be permitted to close, but total amount of time allocated to each party shall be equal. H. Deliberations The roll shall be called, and the members may express their opinions in the case. The prosecutor and the accused may be required to withdraw from the court until the members deliberate upon and decide the question. I. The Vote The vote shall be by secret ballot, and all members of the court or commission shall	Cross reference has been deleted as unnecessary.

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The vote shall be by secret ballot, and all members of the court or commission shall vote "Guilty" or "Not Guilty" on each charge of the indictment. A verdict of guilty shall be rendered only upon a two-thirds majority of the votes cast. The Moderator (or Moderator Pro-Tempore) shall announce the court's decision upon return of prosecutor and accused ~~parties~~ to the courtroom.	vote "Guilty" or "Not Guilty" on each charge of the indictment. A verdict of guilty shall be rendered only upon a two-thirds majority of the votes cast. The Moderator (or Temporary Moderator) shall announce the court's decision upon return of the prosecutor and the accused to the courtroom.	"Temporary Moderator" substituted for internal consistency (Proposed D5-7.C2).
J. Imposition of Sanctions Before sanctions are determined, the prosecutor and accused ~~person~~ found guilty shall be given the opportunity to present evidence or argument bearing on the administration of sanctions only.	J. Imposition of Sanctions Before sanctions are determined, the prosecutor and the accused found guilty shall be given the opportunity to present evidence or argument bearing on the administration of sanctions only.	
Thereupon, the ~~count~~ or commission shall proceed to a determination of sanctions ~~pursuant to Chapter 11~~. The prosecutor and the accused ~~persons~~ may be required to withdraw from the court until the members deliberate ~~upon~~ and determine sanctions. Sanctions may be rendered upon a simple majority of the votes cast. The Moderator shall announce the court's determination of sanctions, which shall be entered upon the records, upon return of prosecutor and accused ~~parties~~ to the courtroom.	Thereupon, the court or commission shall proceed to a determination of sanctions.[51] The prosecutor and the accused may be required to withdraw from the court until the members deliberate and determine sanctions. Sanctions may be rendered upon a simple majority of the votes cast. The Moderator shall announce the court's determination of sanctions, which shall be entered upon the records, upon return of prosecutor and the accused to the courtroom.	Typographical error ("count") has been corrected. "Pursuant to Chapter 11" has been deleted as unnecessary. "Upon" has been deleted as unnecessary.
K. Motion for New Trial If after trial ~~before any court,~~ new testimony is discovered which the accused believes is important, ~~he~~ shall have the right to ask for a new trial. The court shall have the power to grant ~~his~~ request.	K. Motion for New Trial If after the trial new testimony is discovered which the accused believes is important, the accused shall have the right to ask for a new trial. The court shall have the power to grant the request.	Gender-specific pronouns are unnecessary in this context.
10-2 Challenges to the Court	**10-2 Challenges to the Court**	

[51] See Proposed chapter 11-2 regarding sanctions.

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Any party may, for cause hereinafter described, challenge the right of any member to sit in the trial of the case. The question shall be decided by other members of the court. A challenge for cause against a member of the court shall be granted when:	Either party may, for cause hereinafter described, challenge the right of any member to sit in the trial of the case. The question shall be decided by other members of the court. A challenge for cause against a member of the court shall be granted when	"Any" changed to "either" because there are only two parties in the case.
A. Disclosure of Opinion: ~~-~~The ~~-~~member of the court expresses ~~his opinion of~~ the guilt of ~~any~~ party to any person not a member of the court before the conclusion of the trial.	A. A member of the court expresses an opinion about the guilt of either party to any person not a member of the court before the conclusion of the trial.	The indefinite pronoun is better for this section. Gender-specific pronoun is unnecessary in this context. Headings of current A, B, and C have been deleted as unnecessary.
B. Absence: ~~-~~The ~~-~~member of the court ~~shall absent himself~~ from any sitting of the trial without the permission of the court, or satisfactory reasons rendered.	B. A member of the court is absent from any sitting of the trial without the permission of the court, or satisfactory reasons rendered.	The indefinite pronoun is better for this section. "Shall absent himself" has been changed to "is absent" for simplicity of language.
C. ~~Conflict of Interest:~~ The member of the court ~~appears to the court~~ to be related to ~~the~~ ~~parties~~ or other witnesses, to have an interest in the result, or to have similar impediment or conflict of interest.	C. A member of the court is found 1. To be related to the accused or other witnesses, 2. To have a personal interest in the result, or 3. To have similar impediment or conflict of interest.	A challenge must be made regarding an actual, not apparent, conflict of interest. The section has been enumerated for clarity. "Personal" is needed to specify the "interest". All members of the court should have interest in a just verdict.
10-3 Professional or Learned Counsel A. No Paid Counsel No person serving as counsel shall be permitted to receive compensation for services rendered to ~~any~~ party. However, parties may reimburse counsel for ~~their~~ reasonable expenses.	**10-3 Professional or Learned Counsel** A. No Paid Counsel No person serving as counsel shall be permitted to receive compensation for services rendered to either party. However, parties may reimburse counsel for reasonable expenses.	There are only two parties, so "either" is correct.
B. Professional or Learned Counsel In the event ~~any~~ party shall be represented by a person who is a graduate of an accredited school of law, the other ~~parties~~ shall be likewise permitted to be represented by learned or professional counsel. However, learned or professional counsel must be a member of the church as church ~~as defined in~~	B. Professional or Learned Counsel In the event either party shall be represented by a person who is a graduate of an accredited school of law, the other party shall be likewise permitted to be represented by learned or professional counsel. However, learned or professional counsel must be a member of the church.[52] A member of the court serving as	There are only two parties, so "either" and "party" are the correct terms

[52] Proposed D.1-2; G.8-3

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~~D.1 7~~. A member of the court serving as counsel in the case shall not be allowed to sit in judgment on the case.	counsel in the case shall not be allowed to sit in judgment on the case.	
10-4 The Record	**10-4 The Record of the Case**	"Of the Case" has been added for internal consistency
	A. Importance of the Record Keeping accurate records of actions for discipline is incumbent upon the Moderator and Clerk of the court or commission both for the history of the case and in the event of an appeal.	
A. The Record The Clerk or other person designated by the court or commission shall, within thirty days after the trial, make and maintain as part of the permanent records of the court or commission, a complete record of the proceedings, including the charges, the indictment, the answer (if any), all the testimony, whether transcribed or prepared in summary form, and all such acts, orders, and decisions of the court or commission relating to the case including the written ballots evidencing the decision and the determination of sanctions. These documents shall constitute the Record of the Case and should ordinarily be maintained separately from the Minutes of the court or commission.	B. Contents of the Record The Clerk or other person designated by the court or commission shall, within thirty days after the trial, make and maintain as part of the permanent records of the court or commission, a complete record of the proceedings, including the charges, the indictment, the answer (if any), all the testimony, whether transcribed or prepared in summary form, and all such acts, orders, and decisions of the court or commission relating to the case including the written ballots evidencing the decision and the determination of sanctions. These documents shall constitute the Record of the Case and should ordinarily be maintained separately from the Minutes of the court or commission.	Heading of the section has been changed to better reflect the main topic.
B. ~~Expenses~~ of the Record: The court or commission shall make and maintain a transcript or record of the proceedings by written or electronic means. ~~The~~ parties shall be permitted to make copies (by transcript or electronic recording) of the whole proceedings ~~at their own expense~~.	C. Copies of the Record: The court or commission shall make and maintain a transcript or record of the proceedings by written or electronic means. Both parties shall be permitted to make copies (by transcript or electronic recording) of the whole proceedings.	"Copies" better describes the content of the revised section. "At their own expense" has been deleted as potentially discriminatory.
C. Appeals When a case is appealed ~~or removed to a higher court by complaint~~, the lower court	D. Transmitting the Record on Appeal	Title has been changed to better reflect the content.

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shall transmit the Record of the Case to the higher court with the addition of the notice of appeal ~~or complaint~~. The higher court shall render its decision based only on that which is contained in the Record. On the final decision of a case by a higher court the decision shall be communicated to all lower courts.	When a case is appealed,[53] the lower court shall transmit the Record of the Case to the higher court with the addition of the notice of appeal. The higher court does not re-try the case but shall render its decision based only on that which is contained in the Record. On the final decision of a case by a higher court the decision shall be communicated to all lower courts.	References to "complaint" have been removed as it is not the topic of this section. "Does not re-try the case" has been added for clarity.
9-9 The Record *A. Authentication* *The records of a court or commission, or any part of them, whether original or transcribed, if regularly authenticated by the Moderator and Clerk, or by either of them, shall be deemed good and sufficient evidence in any other court. Authentication shall be in writing in the following or similar form:* *I, _____Clerk [or Moderator] of the _____ [name of court] do hereby certify that the foregoing are true, correct, and complete copies of the Record in the Case of .* *Signed: Date:*	1. Authentication of the Record The records of a court or commission, or any part of them, whether original or transcribed, if regularly authenticated by the Moderator and Clerk, or by either of them, shall be deemed good and sufficient evidence in any other court. Authentication shall be in writing in the following or similar form: I, _____Clerk [or Moderator] of the _____ [name of court] do hereby certify that the foregoing are true, correct, and complete copies of the Record in the Case of _____. Signed: Date:	Current 9-9 has been moved to proposed 10-4D.1 for better flow of thought, bringing content related to the Record of the Case in one place.
B. Testimony *The testimony taken by one court or commission and regularly authenticated shall be received by every other court as no less valid than if it had been taken by itself.*	2. Authentication of Testimony The testimony taken by one court or commission and regularly authenticated shall be received by every other court as no less valid than if it had been taken by itself.	Title has been changed to better reflect the content of the section
10-5 Judicial Commissions A. Rights and Duties A judicial commission created in accordance with D.8-2 B, shall have all the rights, privileges, duties, and obligations of the court in the matter assigned to it.		Current 10-5 has been moved to proposed 5-5 for better flow of thought, moving rules for judicial commissions into one place..

[53] See Book of Discipline chapter 13 on the process of appeal.

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B. Composition Judicial commissions shall be composed of no less than three or more than seven members elected by the court. C. Membership Judicial commissions of Presbytery shall be composed of Teaching Elders and Ruling Elders in proportion as near to two Ruling Elders to one Minister as possible in accordance with Book of Government G.21-1C.		

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— 11 — DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS	-- 11 -- DECISIONS FROM A TRIAL – DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS	Title change to better reflect content of the chapter
11-1 Exhortation to Meekness When any person shall be found guilty of an offense, the court shall proceed with all tenderness and shall deal with its offending brother or sister in the spirit of meekness. The members are exhorted to watch themselves, so that they may avoid temptation.	**11-1 Exhortation to Meekness** When any person shall be found guilty of an offense, the court shall proceed with all tenderness and shall deal with its offending brother or sister in the spirit of meekness. The members are exhorted to watch themselves, so that they may avoid temptation.	
11-2 Disciplinary Sanctions Disciplinary sanctions which may be administered by church courts or commissions are ~~admonition~~, suspension, removal from church office, and excommunication. *When a milder sanction fails to reclaim the offender, it may become the duty of the court to proceed to the administration of a more severe sanction.* ***[Last sentence moved to proposed 11-2C.4]***	**11-2 Disciplinary Sanctions** A. Disciplinary sanctions which may be administered by church courts or commissions are, in order of severity: 1. Reprimand[54] 2. Suspension 3. Removal from church office 4. Excommunication.	Sanctions enumerated for clarity in proposed 11-2 "In order of severity" added for clarity and internal consistency. **Admonition** is a word used broadly within the scripture and our tradition outside of formal disciplinary actions. **Reprimand** has been substituted in the proposed revision as a category for the mildest sanction of a formal action of discipline.

[54] This category was formerly "admonition." Scripture directs us to admonish one another. In this *Book of Discipline*, "reprimand" is used for the situation in which admonishment has not been successful and the issue rises to the level of trial and sanction.

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		"Reprimand" is more broadly understood than "admonition."
If the court finds on trial that the ~~matter complained of amounts to no more than such~~ acts of infirmity as may be amended, so that ~~little or nothing remains to hinder the person's ministry, it shall take all prudent measures to see that the infirmity is amended.~~	B. If the court finds on trial that the offender is guilty, but the offense may be remedied without hindering the person's ministry, the Court shall take all prudent measures to remedy the offense and administer at least the sanction of Reprimand and record the remedy.	It is not appropriate to find a person guilty with no sanction. If the offender is guilty, a sanction should be recorded with the remedy also recorded. "Acts of infirmity" has been retained and explained in proposed D.1-6.
11-7 Principles for the Administration of Sanctions *The administration of church sanctions shall be suited to the nature of the offense. For private offenses, sanctions should be administered in the presence of the court or commission alone, or in private by one or more members of the court or commission. In the case of public offenses, the degree of sanction and mode of administering ~~it shall be within the~~ discretion of the court or commission, ~~acting in~~ accordance with paragraphs below which deal ~~with particular sanctions.~~*	C. Principles for the Administration of Sanctions The administration of church sanctions shall be suited to the nature of the offense. 1. Private offenses Sanctions for private offenses should be administered in the presence of the court or commission alone, or in private by one or more members of the court or commission. 2. Public offenses The court or commission has sole discretion regarding the degree of sanction and mode of administration for public offenses. 3. Escalation of offenses When a milder sanction fails to reclaim the offender, it may become the duty of the court to proceed to the administration of a more severe sanction. 4. Severity of offenses If the charge is one of serious immorality or heresy and the offender persists in rebellion, the court or commission may proceed to administer a higher sanction.	Portions of current 11-7 moved to proposed 11-2C for better flow of thought. Sections enumerated for clarity. Proposed 11-2C.3 edited for conciseness.
If the charge is one of serious immorality or heresy and the accused person persists in ~~his~~ rebellion, the court or commission may proceed to inflict the highest ~~sanction.~~		Gender-specific pronoun unnecessary in this context. "Inflict" changed to "administer" for internal consistency. The comparative "higher" is correct in this context
11-3 ~~Definition of Admonition~~ ~~Admonition~~ is the formal reproof of an offender by a church court, warning of ~~his~~ guilt and	**11-3 Sanction of Reprimand** A. Reprimand is the formal reproof of an offender by a church court, warning of the offender's	Proposed 11-3 brings references to admonition scattered through current chapter 11 together in one section.

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danger, and encouraging ~~him~~ to be more careful and watchful in the future.	guilt and danger, and encouraging the ofender to be more careful and watchful in the future.	"Sanction" has replaced "Definition" for consistency and because the proposed new 11-3 ranges beyond "definition." See note on proposed 11-2 for rationale on "reprimand." Gender specific pronouns are unnecessary in this context. Sections are enumerated for clarity in proposed 11-3.
11-8 The Sanction of ~~Admonition~~ *The sanction of admonition may be administered in private by one or more members of the court if the offense is known only to a few and is not aggravated in character. If the offense is public, the admonition shall be administered by the Moderator ~~or Chair~~ in presence of the court and may also be announced in public should the court deem it appropriate.*	B. The sanction of reprimand may be administered in private by one or more members of the court if the offense is known only to a few and is not aggravated in character. If the offense is public, the reprimand shall be administered by the Moderator in the presence of the court and may also be announced in public should the court deem it appropriate.	
11-4 ~~Definition~~ of Suspension Suspension is the temporary exclusion of church members from the sacraments and/or from other church ministries or activities.	**11-4 Sanction of Suspension** A. Suspension is the temporary exclusion of church members from the sacraments and/or from other church ministries or activities.	See note on 11-3 regarding "sanction."
11-10 (first paragraph) *The goal of suspension is to impress the offender ~~of~~ the evil of ~~his sin~~ and, under God's blessing, to lead ~~him~~ to repentance.*	B. The goal of suspension is to impress upon the offender the evil of the offense and, under God's blessing, to lead the offender to repentance.	First paragraph of current 11-10 moved to proposed 11-4B for better flow of thought. The sentence has been smoothed out and gender specific pronouns have been replaced.
	C. Suspension may be either indefinite or definite in duration.	Title of proposed 11-4C has been added for clarity.
11-4 (third paragraph) *Suspension should generally be indefinite in its duration, continuing until the person suspended gives such evidence of repentance as may warrant its ~~repeal~~. The good of the offender and/or the church may require that the offender be suspended for a definite length of time, even though ~~he~~ confesses his sin and gives evidence of repentance.*	1. Suspension should generally be indefinite in duration, continuing until the person suspended gives such evidence of repentance as may warrant its removal. 2. The good of the offender and/or the church may require that the offender be suspended for a definite length of time, even though the person confesses his/her sin and gives evidence of repentance.	"Repeal" in current 11-4 has been changed to "removal" in proposed 11-4C for consistency in terminology (see proposed chapter 12). Gender-specific pronoun unnecessary in this context.
	D. Regarding church members	The impact of suspension differs from members to Ruling Elders/Deacons and Teaching Elders. A

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	Suspension is the temporary exclusion of church members from the sacraments and/or from other church ministries or activities.	section relating specifically to church members was added for clarity.
11-4 (second paragraph) *With respect to church officers, suspension ~~may~~ include ~~the~~ exclusion ~~of the officer~~ from office and the sacraments. ~~It may be either definite or indefinite~~ ~~as to its duration.~~*	E. Regarding Church Officers[55] Suspension includes exclusion from office and may include exclusion from the sacraments.	Footnote added to clarify "church officers." "May" has been deleted as exclusion from office is necessarily included in suspension. The final sentence of the second paragraph of current 11-4 is unnecessary in this context (see proposed 11-4C).
	F. Regarding Teaching Elders 1. Definite or indefinite suspension shall bar the Teaching Elder from all functions of office and places the Teaching Elder on inactive status with the Presbytery.	Past experience has shown the need for the addition of proposed 11-4F. Before trial, suspension is temporary (D.5-7C.6) and the court has discretion regarding its extent. Following trial with a verdict of guilty, suspension is from all functions of office.
11-7 ~~When a Teaching Elder is removed from office, his pastoral relationship shall be dissolved; but when he~~ is suspended~~, it shall be left to the discretion of the Presbytery~~ whether the sanction shall include the dissolution of the pastoral relationship	2. When a Presbytery suspends a Teaching Elder, the Presbytery has sole discretion as to whether the sanction will include the dissolution of the pastoral relationship.	Text from current 11-7 (underscored portion) has been utilized here for better flow of thought and condensed for clarity.
	3. The Presbytery may suspend the Teaching Elder from all ministerial functions without dissolving the pastoral relationship if the court anticipates restoring the offender a time that does not unduly bring harm to the congregation. In such a case, the court should assist the congregation in supplying a temporary pastor in order to maintain the regular worship of the congregation.	Language has been added to bring clarity to the role of the presbytery in caring for the congregation when a pastor has been suspended and the pastoral relationship has not been dissolved.
11-10 (second paragraph) *Definite suspension shall be administered in the presence of the court or commission alone or in open session of the court, as it may deem best, and public announcement thereof shall be at the court's or commission's discretion.*	G. Administration of the sanction of suspension 1. The sanction of suspension shall be administered in the presence of the court or commission alone or in open session of the court, as it may deem best, and public announcement thereof shall be at the discretion of the court or commission.	"The sanction" inserted for consistency of terminology. Language from current 11-10 and 11-11 has been incorporated in proposed 11-4H for better flow of thought and condensed for clarity.
11-11 Indefinite suspension *Indefinite suspension shall be administered in the presence of the court or commission alone or in open session of the court, as it may deem best, and public*		

[55] Church officers are Teaching Elders, Ruling Elders, and Deacons

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announcement thereof shall be at the court's or commission's discretion. ~~When the court or commission has resolved to pass the sentence, the Moderator shall address the ofending brother to the following purpose:~~ "Whereas you, [here describe the person as a Teaching Elder, Ruling Elder, Deacon, or member of the Church] are convicted by sufficient proof (or are guilty by your own confession) of the sin [here insert the offense], we the Presbytery (or Church Session) of [here insert name of the presbytery or church] in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, do now declare you suspended from the Sacraments of the Church (and from the exercise of your office), until you give satisfactory evidence of repentance."	2. The sanction of definite or indefinite suspension shall be administered by the Moderator of the court or commission in the following or similar words: "Whereas you, _____[a Teaching Elder / Ruling Elder / Deacon, / member of the Church] are convicted by sufficient proof [or are guilty by your own confession] of the sin of [name the offense], we the Presbytery [or Session] of [name of the Presbytery or church] in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, do now declare you suspended from the Sacraments of the Church [and from the exercise of your office], until you give satisfactory evidence of repentance." To this shall be added such advice or admonition as may be judged necessary, and the whole shall be concluded with prayer that the offender would be restored.	
11-5 ~~Definition~~ of Removal from Office Removal from office is the sanction by which the offender's ordination ~~and election are set aside~~, and the offender is removed ~~from all church offices~~ without excommunication. Removal from office may or may not be accompanied by the administration of other sanctions.	**11-5 Sanction of Removal from Office** A. Removal from office is the sanction by which the offender's ordination is permanently revoked, thus removing the offender from the office of Teaching Elder, Ruling Elder, or Deacon without excommunication. Removal from office may or may not be accompanied by the administration of other sanctions.	See note on proposed 11-3 regarding "sanction." Sections of current 11-5, 7, and 12 have been combined in proposed 11-5 for better flow of thought and enumerated for clarity. "Election" has been deleted in proposed 11-5A for clarity. Removal from office changes the effect but not the fact of election to office. Removing the word also takes any possibility of interpreting "election" in its theological sense. Removal from office is defined as "permanently revoked," rather than "set aside" (current 11-5). If there is a possibility of restoration, the sanction should be that of "indefinite suspension," not "removal from office." "Removal" in the proposed revision is reserved for the most serious situations where restoration to office is not possible.

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		"Teaching or Ruling Elder" in proposed 11-5A replaces "all church offices" for clarity.
11-7 (final 2 paragraphs) *When a Teaching Elder is removed from office, his pastoral relationship shall be dissolved; [the following has been moved to proposed 11-4F]* ~~*but when he is suspended*~~*, it shall be left to the discretion of the Presbytery whether the sanction shall include the dissolution of the pastoral relationship*	B. When a Presbytery or General Assembly, if it has assumed jurisdiction,[56] removes a Teaching Elder from office, the pastoral relationship shall be dissolved.	Text from 11-7 incorporated in proposed 11-5B and C for better flow of thought. Active voice replaces passive voice and gender-specific pronouns have been replaced. The additional wording envisions a situation in which the General has assumed jurisdiction of a case due to a presbytery's inability or unwillingness to act.
When a Presbytery ~~*shall*~~ *remove a Teaching Elder from his office without excommunication, it shall assign* ~~*him*~~ *to membership at some local church subject to the approval of the Session of that local church.*	C. When a Presbytery removes a Teaching Elder from office without excommunication, it shall assign the offender to membership at some local church subject to the approval of the Session of that local church.	"Shall" removed for conciseness. Gender specific pronoun unnecessary in this context.
11-12 Removal from Office ~~*The sanction of removal from ofice shall be administered by the Moderator or Chair in the words following:*~~	D. Administration of the Sanction of Removal from Office The Moderator of the court or commission shall administer the sanction of removal from ofice in the following or similar words:	Text from current 11-12 moved here for better flow of thought. Active voice replaces passive voice and the sentence reworded accordingly. "Or similar" has been added to give the Moderator discretion. The wording below is a template but not mandatory.
"Whereas [here insert name], a Teaching Elder of this Presbytery (or a Ruling Elder or Deacon of this Church), has been proved by sufficient evidence to be guilty of the sin of [insert the offense], we, the Presbytery (or Church Session) of [here insert name of the presbytery or local church] do adjudge ~~*him*~~ *disqualified for the office of* ~~*Minister*~~ *(or Ruling Elder or Deacon), and therefore we do hereby, in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, remove him from the office of Teaching Elder (or Ruling Elder or Deacon) of the said and do prohibit him from exercising any of the functions thereof."*	"Whereas [name], a Teaching Elder of this Presbytery (or a Ruling Elder or Deacon of this Church), has been proved by sufficient evidence to be guilty of the sin of [offense], we, [name of the presbytery or local church] do adjudge you disqualified for the office of Teaching Elder (or Ruling Elder or Deacon), and therefore we do hereby, in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, remove you from the office of Teaching Elder (or Ruling Elder or Deacon) of the church and do prohibit you from exercising any of the functions thereof."	Gender specific pronouns are unnecessary in this context. "Minister" has been changed to "Teaching Elder" for internal consistency,

[56] See proposed D.3-4 and 3-5.

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If the sanction includes suspension or excommunication, the Moderator or Chair shall proceed to say: "We do, moreover, by the same authority, suspend the said _____ from the Sacraments, and cut him of from the membership and fellowship of the Church." ~~*The sentence of removal from office ought to be accompanied by solemnities similar to those already prescribed in the case of excommunication*~~.	If the sanction includes suspension or excommunication, the Moderator or Chair shall proceed to say the following or similar words: "We do, moreover, by the same authority, suspend you from the Sacraments, and cut you of from the membership and fellowship of the Church."	See note above.
11-6 ~~Definition~~ of Excommunication Excommunication is the removal of an offender from the membership and fellowship of the church. Excommunication shall be administered only in cases of offenses aggravated by a continuing refusal to repent.	**11-6 Sanction of Excommunication** A. Excommunication is the removal of an offender from the membership and fellowship of the church. Excommunication shall be administered only in cases of offenses aggravated by a continuing refusal to repent.	See note on proposed 11-3 regarding "sanction."
The purpose of this sanction is to ~~reclaim the offender, to deliver the church from the disgrace and injury of his offense, and to motivate the church with fear by the example of his discipline.~~	B. The purpose of excommunication is to maintain the honor of God, to restore the sinner, to remove offense from the church and to remind the church to "not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord" (Hebrews 12:5b).	Wording of proposed 11-6B makes this section consistent with Proposed 1-3.
	C. When a Presbytery or General Assembly[57] removes a Teaching Elder from office with excommunication, it should request the Session of a local church to minister to the offender as it would an unbeliever in hope of leading the offender to repentance and eventual admission to membership in the church and the Lord's table.	Proposed 11-6 C added for clarity. Restoration is always the goal of discipline, even if the sanction is excommunication. Any restoration to office following excommunication begins with membership in a local church.
11-13 Excommunication Excommunication may be administered according to one or other of the two modes laid down for indefinite suspension, or it may be inflicted in public as the	D. Administration of the Sanction of Excommunication Excommunication may be administered privately or publicly as the court decides. The Moderator of the court or commission shall	Text of current 11-13 incorporated here for better flow of thought.

[57] The General Assembly only has authority to remove a Teaching Elder from office if it has assumed jurisdiction under the authority given in proposed D.3-4 and 3-5.

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court may decide. In administering this sanction, the Moderator of the court or Chair of the commission shall make a statement of the several steps which have been taken with respect to the offending person, and of the decision to cut him of from the membership and fellowship of the church. ~~He~~ shall then show from Matthew 18:15-18 and 1 Corinthians 5:1-5 the authority of the church to cast out unworthy members, and shall explain the nature, use, and consequences of this sanction. ~~He~~ shall then administer the sanction in the words following:	make a statement of the steps which have been taken with respect to the offender, and of the decision to cut the offender of from the membership and fellowship of the church. The Moderator shall then show from Matthew 18:15-18 and 1 Corinthians 5:1-5 the authority of the church to cast out unworthy members, and shall explain the nature, use, and consequences of this sanction. The Moderator shall then administer the sanction in the following or similar words:	Gender-specific pronouns are not necessary in this context.
"Whereas~~-~~ _____ a member of this Church, has been by sufficient proof convicted of the sin of _____and after much admonition and prayer, obstinately refuses to hear the Church and has manifested no evidence of repentance: Therefore, in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, we, the Session of the Church of _____do pronounce ~~him~~ to be excluded from the Sacraments and ~~cut of from~~ the fellowship of the Church."	"_____a member of this Church, has been by sufficient proof convicted of the sin of _____and after much admonition and prayer, obstinately refuses to hear the Church and has manifested no evidence of repentance. Therefore, in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, we, the Session of the Church of _____do pronounce you to be excluded from the Sacraments and the fellowship of the Church."	"Or similar" has been added to give the Moderator discretion. What follows is a template, not words that are required. Gender-specific pronoun is unnecessary in this context. "Cut of from" was deleted as unnecessary. "Excluded" applies to both the Sacraments and fellowship.
11-9 Confession and Restoration ***[11-9A moved to proposed 5-2C]*** A. Confession When any person shall come forward and make his offense known to the court or commission, a full statement of the facts shall be recorded, and judgment rendered without judicial procedures. When an officer, before judgment is entered, shall make a confession of a matter that is marked by outrageous or scandalous crime or vice, such as substance abuse, marital infidelity, embezzlement or the like, however penitent he may appear to the satisfaction of all, the court or commission shall without delay suspend or remove him from his office.		

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[11-9B moved to proposed 12] B. Restoration An officer suspended or removed from office for scandalous conduct shall not be restored, even on the deepest sorrow for his sin, until he has demonstrated an exemplary, humble, and edifying lifestyle for a considerable amount of time, which, in the case of removal from office, shall be for not less than one year. Any officer must present evidence that it is virtually certain that the conduct causing his suspension or removal from office will not occur again. C. ~~— Restoration of a Teaching Elder~~ ~~A Teaching Elder removed from office shall not be restored until it appears that the general sentiment of the church is strongly in his favor and demands his restoration. In that event restoration shall be pronounced only by the court imposing the sanction or with its consent.~~ ~~*When an application for restoration and a statement of support from the Session of the church to which the former Teaching Elder has been assigned is filed with the clerk of the Presbytery, the application will be forwarded to the Ministerial Committee for its review and recommendation. Consideration of the application will proceed as follows:*~~ ~~*1. Should the Ministerial Committee choose to recommend restoration to the Presbytery, the Presbytery shall consider the recommendation for restoration in executive session.*~~ ~~*2. The Teaching Elder seeking restoration and the Ministerial Committee will be provided the opportunity to address the Presbytery.*~~ ~~*3. Upon hearing from the Teaching Elder seeking restoration he shall be excused.*~~ ~~*4. A motion to restore or not restore may be brought before the Presbytery only by its Ministerial Committee.*~~		Current 11-2C has been deleted because removal from office is defined in the proposed revision as permanent revocation of ordination, thereby nullifying "restoration." If a Teaching Elder is ordained again it is not by way of being "restored."

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~~*5. All votes concerning Teaching Elder restoration are to be by secret ballot.*~~ ~~*6. A 4/5 affirmative vote shall be required for restoration to office.*~~ ~~7.~~ Restoration may be pronounced only by the court imposing the sanction, or with its consent. ~~*To this shall be added such advice or admonition as may be judged necessary, and the whole shall be concluded with prayer to almighty God that He would follow this act of discipline with His blessing.*~~		

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— 12 — REMOVAL OF SANCTIONS	— 12 — REMOVAL OF SANCTIONS	
12-1 Court Should Pray for the Offender After any person has been suspended from the sacraments, it is proper that the Elders of the church should frequently converse with ~~him~~ as well as pray with ~~him~~ and for ~~him~~, that it would please God to give him repentance.	**12-1 Court Should Pray for the Offender** After any person has been suspended from the sacraments, it is proper that the Elders of the church should frequently converse with the person as well as pray with and for the person, that it would please God to grant repentance and restoration.	Gender-specific pronouns are unnecessary in this context. "Restoration" was added because it is the ultimate goal of the disciplinary process.
12-2 Restoration to the Sacraments When the court shall be satisfied as to the reality of the repentance of a suspended offender, he shall be admitted to ~~profess his rep~~entance either in the presence of the court ~~or commission~~ alone or publicly, and be restored to the sacraments of the church, ~~and~~ ~~to his ofice,~~ if such be the judgment of the court or commission, ~~which~~ restoration shall b~~e declared to the~~ penitent in words ~~of the following import:~~	**12-2 Restoration to the Sacraments** When the court shall be satisfied as to the reality of the repentance of a suspended offender, that person shall profess repentance either in the presence of the court alone or publicly, and be restored to the sacraments of the church if such be the judgment of the court. Restoration shall be declared in the following or similar words:	Gender-specific pronouns are unnecessary in this context. "Or office" has been deleted, as this section deals only with restoration to sacraments. Restoration to office is in proposed 12-4. The word "similar" is added to clarify that the declaration is mandatory, but not the specific wording, which may be modified to fit the specific situation.

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"Whereas, you, _____, have been suspended from the Sacraments of the Church (and from the office of Teaching Elder, or Ruling Elder, or Deacon) but have now demonstrated such repentance as satisfies the church, we, the Session (or Presbytery) of _____do hereby, in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, restore you from the said sentence of suspension, and restore you to the full communion of the Church (and the exercise of your said office, and all the functions thereof)." After which there shall be prayer and thanksgiving.	"Whereas, you,_____ , have been suspended from the Sacraments of the Church (and/or from the office of Teaching Elder, or Ruling Elder, or Deacon) but have now demonstrated such repentance as satisfies the church, we, the Session (or Presbytery) of _____do hereby, in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, restore you from the said sentence of suspension, and restore you to the full communion of the Church (and the exercise of your said office, and all the functions thereof)." After which there shall be prayer and thanksgiving.	
12-3 Restoration of an Excommunicated Person ~~Subject to the provisions of D.12-7,~~ when an excommunicated person ~~shall be so moved with his excommunication that he is brought to~~ repentance and ~~he~~ desires to be readmitted to the membership and fellowship of the church, ~~he~~ may request that the Session restore him. The Session shall proceed to restore him if it finds sufficient evidence of ~~his~~ sincere repentance. This may be done in the presence of the court ~~or commission~~ or of the congregation as seems best to the Session.	**12-3 Restoration of an Excommunicated Person** A. When an excommunicated person comes to repentance and desires to be readmitted to the membership and fellowship of the church, that person may request restoration from the Session. B. The Session shall proceed to restore the excommunicated person if it finds sufficient evidence of sincere repentance. This may be done in the presence of the Session or the congregation as seems best to the Session. C. If the excommunicated person was a Teaching Elder, the Session may receive him/her into membership and fellowship of the church. The Session shall then report its action to the court that imposed the original sanction.	Proposed 12-3 edited for conciseness and to remove unnecessary gender-specific pronouns. Cross reference in current 12-3 is unnecessary in the proposed revision. Gender-specific pronoun unnecessary in this context. The word "commission" is unnecessary. Proposed 12-3C has been added for clarity. While the Presbytery alone (or a Commission thereof) may sanction a Teaching Elder with removal from office and excommunication, those sanctions end any membership in the Presbytery and, in the case of excommunication, a local church. The Session has authority to restore the former Teaching Elder to church membership and sacraments. Only the

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		Presbytery that imposed the sanctions may consider possible restoration to office. Words deleted from current 12-3 are unnecessary.
On the day appointed for his restoration, the Moderator ~~of the court or Chair of the commission~~ shall call upon the excommunicated person and propose to him the following questions:	D. On the day appointed for restoration, the Moderator shall call upon the excommunicated person and propose the following questions:	
"Do you, from a deep sense of your great wickedness, freely confess your sins in thus rebelling against God and in refusing to hear His Church?" Answer, "I do."	"Do you, from a deep sense of your great wickedness, freely confess your sins in thus rebelling against God and in refusing to hear His Church?" Answer, "I do."	
"Do you acknowledge that you have been in justice and mercy cut of from the communion of the church?" Answer, "I do."	"Do you acknowledge that you have been in justice and mercy cut of from the communion of the church?" Answer, "I do."	
"Do you now voluntarily profess your sincere repentance and sorrow for your sin and rebellion: and do you humbly ask the forgiveness of God and His Church?" Answer, "I do."	"Do you now voluntarily profess your sincere repentance and sorrow for your sin and rebellion: and do you humbly ask the forgiveness of God and His Church?" Answer, "I do."	
"Do you sincerely promise, through divine grace, to live in all humility of mind and carefulness to avoid sin, and to attempt to live a lifestyle that will glorify God our Savior?" Answer, "I do."	"Do you sincerely promise, through divine grace, to live in all humility of mind and carefulness to avoid sin, and to attempt to live a lifestyle that will glorify God our Savior?" Answer, "I do."	
Here the Moderator ~~or Chair~~ shall give the person being restored a suitable exhortation, encouraging and comfort~~ing him. Then he s~~hall pronounce the sentence of restoration in the following words:	Here the Moderator shall give the person being restored a suitable exhortation. Then the Moderator shall pronounce restoration in the following or similar words:	
"Whereas you, _____, have been shut out from the membership and fellowship of the Church, but now have demonstrated such repentance as satisfies the Church; in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ we, the Session of this Church, do declare you restored from the sentence of	"Whereas you, _____, have been shut out from the membership and fellowship of the Church, but now have demonstrated such repentance as satisfies the Church; in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ we, the Session of this Church, do declare you restored from the sentence of	"Chair" is unnecessary. Gender-specific pronoun unnecessary in this context. See note on proposed 12-2 regarding addition of "similar."

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excommunication formerly pronounced against you, and we do restore you to the membership and fellowship of the Church, that you may be a partaker of all the benefits of the Lord Jesus to your eternal salvation." After which there shall be prayer and thanksgiving.	excommunication formerly pronounced against you, and we do restore you to the membership and fellowship of the Church, that you may be a partaker of all the benefits of the Lord Jesus to your eternal salvation." After which there shall be prayer and thanksgiving.	
[Current 11-9B] ~~*An officer*~~ *suspended* ~~*or removed*~~ *from office for scandalous conduct shall not be restored, even on the deepest sorrow for his sin, until* ~~*he*~~ *has demonstrated an exemplary, humble, and edifying lifestyle for a considerable amount of time, which, in the case of removal from office*~~*, shall be for not*~~ *less than one year. Any officer must present evidence that it is virtually certain that the conduct causing* ~~*his*~~ *suspension or removal* ~~*from office*~~ *will not occur again.* ~~*When an officer who has been removed from office makes public confession in a manner similar to that prescribed in the case of the restoration of an excommunicated person, he may be restored to office. His restoration to office shall be announced to him by the Moderator or Chair as follows:*~~ ~~*"Whereas, you,_____, formerly a Teaching of this Presbytery (or a Ruling Elder or Deacon of this Church), have been removed from your office, but have now demonstrated such repentance as satisfies the Church; in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and by His authority, we, the Presbytery of_____(or the Session of this Church) do declare you restored from the said sentence of removal from office formerly pronounced against you;*~~	**12-4 Restoration to Office** A. A Teaching Elder, Ruling Elder, or Deacon suspended from office for scandalous conduct shall not be restored, even on the deepest sorrow for sin, until the officer has demonstrated an exemplary, humble, and edifying lifestyle for a considerable amount of time, which shall be for not less than one year. Any officer suspended must present to the court compelling evidence that the conduct causing that suspension or removal will not occur again.	Current 11-9B moved to proposed 12-4A for better flow of thought. Sections of proposed 12-4 have been enumerated for clarity. "Officers" have been listed in the opening sentence for clarity. Gender-specific pronouns deleted as unnecessary. "Removed" has been deleted for internal consistency. In this proposed revision, restoration only takes place from suspension, not from removal from office (see rationale for proposed D.11-5) "Compelling evidence" has replaced "virtually certain" as the latter is an impossible standard. The section of current 11-9B regarding restoration following removal from office has been deleted for internal consistency. In this proposed revision, restoration only takes place from suspension, not from removal from office (see rationale for proposed D.11-5). If there is a possibility that the officer could be restored, the sanction should be indefinite suspension, not removal from office.

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and we do furthermore restore you to your office, and to the exercise of all the functions thereof, whenever you may be duly called." *After this there shall be prayer and thanksgiving, and the members of the court or commission shall extend to him the right hand of fellowship.*		
12-5 Reelection Required for Exercise of Office When a Ruling Elder or Deacon has been pardoned from the sanction of removal from office, he cannot be allowed to resume the exercise of his office in the church without reelection by the people.	**12-5 Re-election Required for Exercise of Office** A Ruling Elder or Deacon restored to office shall not exercise that office in the church without re-election by the people.	Rewritten for conciseness.
Current 11-9C *C. Restoration of a Teaching Elder* *A Teaching Elder removed from office shall not be restored until it appears that the general sentiment of the church is strongly in his favor and demands his restoration. In that event restoration shall be pronounced only by the court imposing the sanction or with its consent.*	**12-6 Restoration of a Suspended Teaching Elder** A. A Teaching Elder suspended indefinitely from office shall not be restored unless there is compelling evidence of repentance and growth to justify restoration. In that event restoration shall be pronounced only by the court imposing the sanction or with its consent.	Current 11-9C moved to Proposed 12-6 for better flow of thought. "Suspended" has been added for internal consistency. Restoration to office is not possible for someone removed from office. Additional wording added for internal consistency, Sections of proposed 12-6 enumerated for clarity. "The church is strongly in favor…" has been removed because it is unnecessary and easily subject to misinterpretation. A Teaching Elder removed from office is assigned to a local church with the consent of the Session and is no longer a member of the Presbytery that removed him/her.
12-6 Special Provisions for the Restoration of a Minister In the restoration of a Teaching Elder who has been suspended or removed from office, it is the duty of the Presbytery to proceed with great caution. In conjunction with the Presbytery and the church to which he has been assigned, pursuant to D.11-7, Presbytery and the Session of that church should first admit him to the		Current 12-6 has been condensed and moved to proposed 12-6B. If the Teaching Elder was also excommunicated, the TE cannot be assigned to membership in a local church but only referred for the purpose of pastoral ministry intended to lead him/her to repentance. Teaching Elders always begin their path toward ordination with the endorsement of their local

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~~sacraments, if he has been suspended from them, and afterwards should grant him the privilege of preaching on probation for a time. The court shall oversee his lifestyle so as to test the sincerity of his repentance and the prospect of his usefulness. When the Presbytery is satisfied in these respects it shall restore him to his office.~~		church. Only when the Session deems the offender to be repentant and fit to serve may the Presbytery begin its deliberations on restoration to office.
When an application for restoration ~~and a statement of support from the Session of the church to which the former Teaching Elder has been assigned is filed~~ with the clerk of the Presbytery, the application will be forwarded to the Ministerial Committee for ~~its review and recommendation. Consideration of the application will proceed as follows:~~	B. When the Teaching Elder files an application for restoration with the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery, the application shall be forwarded to the Ministerial Committee for consideration.	
1. Should the Ministerial Committee choose to recommend restoration to the Presbytery, the Presbytery shall consider the recommendation for restoration in executive session.	1. A motion to restore or not restore may be brought before the Presbytery only by its Ministerial Committee. Should the Ministerial Committee choose to recommend restoration, the Presbytery shall consider the recommendation in executive session.	Current provisions 1 and 4 have been combined in proposed #1 for better flow of thought.
2. The Teaching Elder seeking restoration and the Ministerial Committee will be provided the opportunity to address the Presbytery.	2. The Teaching Elder seeking restoration and the Ministerial Committee will be provided with the opportunity to address the Presbytery.	
3. Upon hearing from the Teaching Elder seeking restoration he shall be excused.	3. After addressing the Presbytery, the Teaching Elder seeking restoration shall be excused.	Proposed 12-6D.3 added for clarity of procedure.
4. A motion to restore or not restore may be brought before the Presbytery only by its Ministerial Committee.		
5. All votes concerning Teaching Elder restoration are to be by secret ballot.	4. All votes concerning Teaching Elder restoration are to be by secret ballot.	Current #4 combined with proposed #1 above
6. A 4/5 affirmative vote shall be required for restoration to office.	5. A 4/5 affirmative vote shall be required for restoration to Office.	

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7. Restoration may be pronounced only by the court imposing the sanction, or with its consent. Current 12-6, last paragraph ~~The case shall remain under judicial consideration until the sentence of restoration has been pronounced.~~	6. Restoration may be pronounced only by the court imposing the sanction, or with its consent.	Text from the last paragraph of current 12-6 has been deleted. "Judicial consideration" is nebulous.
12-7 Transfer of Case to More Convenient Forum When a person under sanction shall move to a place ~~which is~~ remote from the court ~~by which he was sentenced~~, and ~~shall~~ desire to profess repentance and obtain restoration, the court may, if it deems it appropriate, transmit a certified copy of its proceedings to the Session (or Presbytery) where the person under sanction resides. The court of the person's residence shall then assume jurisdiction over the case and proceed with it as though it had original jurisdiction.	**12-7 Transfer of Case to More Convenient Forum** When a person under sanction moves to a place remote from the court issuing the sanction, and desires to profess repentance and obtain restoration, the court may, if it deems it appropriate, transmit a certified copy of its proceedings to the Session (or Presbytery) where the person under sanction resides. The court of the person's residence shall then assume jurisdiction over the case and proceed with it as though it had original jurisdiction.	"Shall move" deleted for clarity. "Sentence" has been dropped because a sanction is not a "sentence."

Chapter 13 – Proposed Book of Discipline Revision

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— 13 — APPEALS **13-1 Definition** An appeal is a request made to a higher court to review a judgment made by a lower ~~court by~~ ~~and through the use of ecclesiastical judicial procedures~~ (cases of heresy, immorality, and/or contempt). An appeal cannot be made to any court other than the next higher court, unless the higher court directs and authorizes that the appeal be heard in another court or by a commission created for the express purpose	— 13 — APPEALS **13-1 Definition** An appeal is a request made to a higher court to review a judgment made by a lower court in an action for discipline (cases of heresy, immorality, and/or contempt). An appeal cannot be made to any court other than the next higher court, unless the higher court directs and authorizes that the appeal be heard in another court or by a commission	Edited for clarity and internal consistency.

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of hearing the appeal and rendering a decision thereupon.	created for the express purpose of hearing the appeal and rendering a decision thereupon.	
13-2 ~~Standing~~ to Appeal; ~~Parties to Appeal~~		"Standing" has been changed" to The right" to appeal for simplicity.
A. Only an accused party, found guilty and sanctioned by a lower court, has standing to appeal the lower court's decision to a higher court.	**13-2 The Right to Appeal** A. Only an accused party, found guilty and sanctioned by a lower court, has the right to appeal the lower court's decision to a higher court.	
B. The party bringing the appeal shall be known as "Appellant." The party against whom the appeal is taken shall be known as "Appellee."	B. The party bringing the appeal shall be known as "Appellant." The party against whom the appeal is taken shall be known as "Appellee."	
13-3 Newly Discovered Evidence Newly discovered evidence is evidence that a party did not know, nor should have known, existed during the lower court proceedings.	**13-3 Newly Discovered Evidence** A. Newly discovered evidence is evidence that a party did not know, nor should have known, existed during the lower court proceedings.	
If, in the prosecution of an appeal, ~~newly discovered evidence is sought to be introduced, a party seeking its introduction must~~ file a motion with notice to all other parties demonstrating justification for its introduction. Upon approval of the motion, the appellate court ~~may~~ remand the case to the lower court for a new trial; ~~or may receive the evidence and proceed with the case.~~	B. In the prosecution of an appeal, the party seeking to introduce newly discovered evidence shall file a motion with notice to all other parties demonstrating justification for its introduction. Upon approval of the motion, the appellate court shall remand the case to the lower court for a new trial.	Edited for conciseness. "May" has been changed to "shall," as the Appellate court does not re-try the case. The last sentence has been deleted accordingly.
13-4 Grounds for Appeal The grounds for appeal are: A. Any misapplication of the EPC Constitution; B. Any irregularity in the proceedings of the lower court; C. Receiving improper evidence or declining to receive proper evidence; D. Rendering a decision before all the testimony is reasonably heard; E. Manifestation of prejudice in the case; ~~and~~ F. Mistake or injustice in the judgment or sanction.	**13-4 Grounds for Appeal** The grounds for appeal are A. Any misapplication of the EPC Constitution, B. Any irregularity in the proceedings of the lower court, C. Receiving improper evidence or declining to receive proper evidence, D. Rendering a decision before all the testimony is reasonably heard, E. Manifestation of prejudice in the case, F. Mistake or injustice in the judgment or sanction.	

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13-5 Notice of Appeal Written notice of appeal shall be filed no later than thirty ~~(30)~~ days after the entry of judgment of the lower court. The filing of the Notice of Appeal with the Clerk of the appellate court places the appeal before that court. A copy of the Notice of Appeal also shall be filed with the lower court from which the appeal is taken.	**13-5 Notice of Appeal** Written notice of appeal shall be filed no later than thirty days after the entry of judgment of the lower court. The filing of the Notice of Appeal with the Clerk of the appellate court places the appeal before that court. A copy of the Notice of Appeal also shall be filed with the lower court from which the appeal is taken.	Deleting parenthetical numbers has been done throughout as unnecessary (Chicago Manual of Style Online).
13-6 Statement of Grounds for Appeal Written statement of grounds for appeal shall be filed no later than fifteen (~~15~~) days after the Notice of Appeal is filed. The statement must state the factual or constitutional bases forming the issues on appeal.	**13-6 Statement of Grounds for Appeal** Written statement of grounds for appeal shall be filed no later than fifteen days after the Notice of Appeal is filed. The statement must state the factual or constitutional bases forming the issues on appeal.	
13-7 Filing the Record Within thirty ~~(30)~~ days after receipt of a Notice of Appeal, it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the lower court to prepare and file with the Clerk of the higher court the Record of the Case ~~as defined in D.10-4.~~	**13-7 Filing the Record** Within thirty days after receipt of a Notice of Appeal, it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the lower court to prepare and file with the Clerk of the higher court the Record of the Case.[58]	
13-8 Stay Pending Appeal The filing of a Notice of Appeal does not stay the judgment of the lower court. If, however, the sanction is suspension, excommunication, or removal from office, the sanctioned party may, for sufficient reasons provided in writing, petition the higher court to stay the sanction until the case is finally decided. The higher court in its discretion may stay the sanction or later modify the stay. In the case that a stay is imposed or later modified, the higher court will notify the lower court. The lower court will confirm receipt of the stay and its compliance with it.	**13-8 Stay of Lower Court Action Pending Appeal** The filing of a Notice of Appeal does not stay the judgment of the lower court. If, however, the sanction is suspension, excommunication, or removal from office, The sanctioned party may, for sufficient reasons provided in writing, petition the higher court to stay the sanction until the case is finally decided. The higher court in its discretion may stay the sanction or later modify the stay. In the case that a stay is imposed or later modified, the higher court will notify the lower court. The lower court will confirm receipt of the stay and its compliance with it.	

[58] See Proposed D.10-4

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13-9 Procedures on Appeal After a higher court has decided that an appeal is in order and should be considered, the following procedures shall be followed: A. The court shall read the complete Record of the Case as submitted by the lower court. The higher court shall provide the Record to the Appellant. Before sending the Record to the Appellant, the higher court may, at its discretion, redact the Record in order to protect confidential or sensitive information that is not relevant to the appeal. B. The Appellant shall file a written statement which sets forth the issues on appeal and the arguments in support thereof within thirty ~~(30)~~ days of the receipt of the Record of the Case by the higher court. In addition, a copy of the written statement shall be delivered to the appellee. Appellant shall also provide to the higher court a certificate of delivery of its written statement to the appellee. C. The Appellee may file a written response within fifteen ~~(15~~) days of the receipt by the higher court of the appellant's written statement. In addition, a copy of the written response shall be delivered to the Appellant. Appellee shall also provide to the higher court a certificate of delivery of its written response to the appellant. D. The Appellant may file a written reply to the appellee's written response within fifteen (15) days of the receipt by the higher court of Appellee's written response, if any. In addition, a copy of the written reply shall be delivered to the appellee. Appellant shall also provide to the higher court a certificate of delivery of its written reply to the appellee.	**13-9 Procedures on Appeal** After a higher court has decided that an appeal is in order and should be considered, the following procedures shall be followed: A. The court shall read the complete Record of the Case as submitted by the lower court. The higher court shall provide the Record to the Appellant. Before sending the Record to the Appellant, the higher court may, at its discretion, redact the Record in order to protect confidential or sensitive information that is not relevant to the appeal. B. The Appellant shall file a written statement which sets forth the issues on appeal and the arguments in support thereof within thirty days of the receipt of the Record of the Case by the higher court. In addition, a copy of the written statement shall be delivered to the Appellee. Appellant shall also provide to the higher court a certificate of delivery of its written statement to the Appellee. C. The Appellee may file a written response within fifteen days of the receipt by the higher court of the Appellant's written statement. In addition, a copy of the written response shall be delivered to the Appellant. Appellee shall also provide to the higher court a certificate of delivery of its written response to the appellant. D. The Appellant may file a written reply to the appellee's written response within fifteen days of the receipt by the higher court of the Appellee's written response, if any. In addition, a copy of the written reply shall be delivered to the appellee. Appellant shall also provide to the higher court a certificate of delivery of its written reply to the Appellee.	

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E. The Appellant or appellee may file a written request for oral argument, explaining why it is necessary and should be permitted. In response to such a request, or at its own discretion, the higher court may allow oral argument. If oral argument is allowed, the court will advise ~~all parties~~ of the date, time and place of oral argument, and the time allotted to each party. In the alternative, the higher court may determine the issues on the appeal based solely on the Record of the Case, the written statements, responses, and replies.	E. The Appellant or Appellee may file a written request for oral argument, explaining why it is necessary and should be permitted. In response to such a request, or at its own discretion, the Higher Court may allow oral argument. If oral argument is allowed, the court will advise both parties of the date, time and place of oral argument, and the time allotted to each party. In the alternative, the higher court may determine the issues on the appeal based solely on the Record of the Case, the written statements, responses, and replies.	
F. In every case in which oral argument is heard, a record of the oral argument shall be kept. The recording of the oral argument may be transcribed and the recording or copy of the transcription maintained by the Stated Clerk of the higher court. In the case of an appeal to the next higher court, a party may request a copy of the transcript. The cost of transcription shall be borne by the requesting party.	F. In every case in which oral argument is heard, a record of the oral argument shall be kept. The recording of the oral argument may be transcribed and the recording or copy of the transcription maintained by the Stated Clerk of the higher court. In the case of an appeal to the next higher court, a party may request a copy of the transcript. The cost of transcription shall be borne by the requesting party.	
G. The members of the higher court, in their deliberations, shall express their opinions, deliberate upon and vote on the issues raised.	G. The members of the higher court, in their deliberations, shall express their opinions, deliberate upon and vote on the issues raised.	
H. The vote shall be taken on each ground for appeal set forth in the statement filed pursuant to D.13-6 above ~~in this form~~: "Shall this ground for appeal be sustained?"	H. The vote shall be taken on each ground for appeal set forth in the statement[59] filed in this form: "Shall this ground for appeal be sustained?"	
13-10 Decision on Appeal A. The higher court may:	**13-10 Decision on Appeal** A. The higher court may	Punctuation of numbered lists has been edited throughout for consistency and to conform to a consensus of published style guides.

[59] See Proposed D.13-6.

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1. Confirm or reverse, in whole or in part, the judgment of the lower court; or 2. Remand the case to the lower court for the purpose of amending the Record of the Case, should it appear incorrect or defective; or 3. Remand the case to the lower court with instructions.	1. Confirm or reverse, in whole or in part, the judgment of the lower court, 2. Remand the case to the lower court for the purpose of amending the Record of the Case, should it appear incorrect or defective, 3. Remand the case to the lower court with instructions.	
B. If the higher court ~~or commission~~ deems it wise, it may also render a written opinion which shall become a part of the Record of the Case.	B. If the higher court deems it wise, it may also render a written opinion which shall become a part of the Record of the Case.	"Commission" has been deleted as unnecessary in this context.
C. Any and all persons, including members of the higher court who were involved with, have intimate knowledge of, or otherwise participated in the underlying judgment of the lower court, are precluded from involvement with the higher court in its determination of the issues on appeal.	C. Any and all persons, including members of the higher court who were involved with, have intimate knowledge of, or otherwise participated in the underlying judgment of the lower court, are precluded from involvement with the higher court in its determination of the issues on appeal.	
13-11 Counsel ~~All~~ parties shall have the right of counsel ~~consistent with D.10-3.~~	**13-11 Counsel** Both parties shall have the right of counsel.[60]	
13-12 Abandonment of Appeal Absent extenuating circumstances made known to the higher court beforehand, the appellant shall be deemed to have abandoned ~~his~~ appeal if ~~he~~ does not comply with the procedures set forth above. In such cases, the judgment of the lower court will stand, unless the higher court determines that the subject matter of the appeal is so serious that the peace and purity of the church is at stake. In such a case, the higher court, in its discretion, may nonetheless decide the appeal.	**13-12 Abandonment of Appeal** Absent extenuating circumstances made known to the higher court beforehand, the Appellant shall be deemed to have abandoned the appeal if the Appellant does not comply with the procedures set forth above. In such cases, the judgment of the lower court will stand, unless the higher court determines that the subject matter of the appeal is so serious that the peace and purity of the church is at stake. In such a case, the higher court, in its discretion, may nonetheless decide the appeal.	There are only two parties, so "both" is correct. Gender-specific pronoun unnecessary in this context.

[60] See Proposed D.10-3

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13-13 Conduct of the Parties If ~~any~~ party willfully fails to comply with these rules or demonstrates a litigious or otherwise unchristian attitude in the appeal process, ~~he~~ may be subject to appropriate discipline by the higher court.	**13-13 Conduct of the Parties** If a member of either party willfully fails to comply with these rules or demonstrates a litigious or otherwise unchristian attitude in the appeal process, that person may be subject to appropriate discipline by the higher court.	There are only two parties Gender-specific pronoun unnecessary in this context. A court is one of the parties and only a person can be disciplined.
13-14 Failure to File the Record If the Clerk of a lower court neglects or willfully fails to file the Record of the Case, or any part of it, the Clerk may be subject to appropriate discipline by the higher court. Until the complete Record of the Case is filed with the higher court, the judgment of the lower court may be stayed at the discretion of the higher court. If the lower court shall file a portion of the record by electronic means, the appellant shall have the right to prepare a written transcript of it at ~~his~~ own expense.	**13-14 Failure to File the Record** If the Clerk of a lower court neglects or willfully fails to file the Record of the Case, or any part of it, the Clerk may be subject to appropriate discipline by the higher court. Until the complete Record of the Case is filed with the higher court, the judgment of the lower court may be stayed at the discretion of the higher court. If the lower court shall file a portion of the record by electronic means, the Appellant shall have the right to prepare a written transcript of it at the Appellant's expense.	Gender-specific pronoun unnecessary in this context.

Chapter 14 – Proposed Book of Discipline Revision

Current Chapter 14	Proposed Chapter 14	Rationale
— 14 — COMPLAINTS **14-1 Complaint Defined** A complaint is a written contention ~~made~~ to a higher court challenging some act or decision of a lower court that seeks a remedy.	— 14 — COMPLAINTS **14-1 Complaint Defined** A. A Complaint is a written contention signed by an eligible member[6162] to a higher court	Wording changes clarify who may file a complaint and that a complaint may **not** be filed regarding a

[61] See eligibility requirements in Proposed D.14-2.

[62] A person filing a complaint should use the appropriate "Form for Discipline." A signed copy transmitted electronically is considered a "written contention."

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	challenging some non-judicial[63] act or decision made by the lower court and seeking a remedy.	decision in an action for discipline. Remedies for judicial decisions come through Appeal (chapter 13).
	B. A Complaint may be filed with the higher court only after attempts to obtain a remedy at the lower court have been unsuccessful.[64]	14-1 B has been added to ensure that attempts have been made to resolve issues before escalating the matter to a higher court.
14-2 ~~Standing~~ to File a Complaint A. It is the right of any member of the church ~~in good standing~~ to ~~make~~ complaint against any action of a lower court to whose jurisdiction ~~he~~ is subject. ***[Following sentence moved to proposed 14-2C]*** A complaint shall not be made to any court other than the next higher court, except with the consent of the next higher court.	**1.1. Eligibility to File a Complaint** 1.1.1. It is the right of any member on the active roll of the church to file a Complaint against any act or decision of a Session to whom the member is subject provided the Complainant is not under sanctions.	"Eligibility" has been substituted for "standing" throughout for simplicity of language. The phrase "act or decision" has been incorporated throughout for internal consistency. "In good standing has been dropped and instead defined as on the active roll and not under sanctions.
B. ~~Notwithstanding the above, a member of the church shall not have standing to file a complaint under this chapter in the following circumstances:~~ ~~1. When an ecclesiastical judicial proceeding has been appealed pursuant to Chapter 13 of this Book of Discipline and the member is a party to that ecclesiastical judicial proceeding; or~~ ~~2. When the member is a Teaching or Ruling Elder who was present at the meeting at which the challenged action was taken, unless a prompt written dissent or protest to the decision by the lower court or commission made the basis of the complaint has been submitted.~~	1.1.2. It is the right of any Teaching or Ruling Elder to file a Complaint against an act or decision taken by a Presbytery provided that 1. The Teaching Elder is an active or Associate member of the Presbytery, 2. The Ruling Elder 1.1.2.2.1. Was a duly elected Commissioner at the meeting at which the action was taken or the decision was made, or 1.1.2.2.2. Is in active service on the Session of a church in the Presbytery, provided the Ruling Elder, the Session, or the church was substantially impacted by the act or decision.	Experience has shown that the wording of current 14-2B is difficult to understand and apply. Proposed 14-2B includes input received from the Permanent Judicial Commission, broadening the eligibility requirements for filing a Complaint and making the boundaries for eligibility more clear. In the proposed revision, it is no longer necessary to file a dissent or protest to be eligible to file a complaint. Text from current 14-2A has been moved to proposed 14-2C.
14-3 Initiation of ~~Chapter 14 Case~~	1.1.3. A Complaint shall only be made to the next higher court, except with the consent of that court. **1.2. Initiation of Complaint**	

[63] Judicial decisions may be appealed following the processes in Proposed D.13.

[64] See proposed **D**.14-6.

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A complaint initiates a case ~~under this Chapter 14~~ against a court in the following manner: A. A complaint shall only be made when the action or decision of the court is alleged to be procedurally irregular and/or in clear violation of the EPC Constitution. B. A complaint shall set forth with particularity all of the facts and reasons why the action or decision of the court is being challenged. This includes reference to the specific provisions of the EPC Constitution, or any applicable bylaws or rules alleged to have been violated.	A Complaint initiates a case against a court in the following manner: A. A complaint shall only be made when the action or decision of the court is alleged to be procedurally irregular and/or in clear violation of the EPC Constitution. B. A complaint shall set forth with particularity all of the facts and reasons why the action or decision of the court is being challenged. This includes reference to the specific provisions of the EPC Constitution, or any applicable bylaws or rules alleged to have been violated. C. A complaint shall state the specific remedy being sought. D. Once a complaint has been filed, the provisions for *ex parte* communications apply[65]	"Complaint" has been substituted for "Chapter 14 Case" for clarity. Proposed 14-3C has been added for clarity and internal consistency. The definition of "complaint" (proposed 14-1) includes seeking a remedy to the effects of the decision in question. 14-3D has been added in response to questions that have arisen about the Complaint process.
14-4 Designation of the Parties The party filing the complaint shall be designated as the "Complainant." The court shall be designated as the "Respondent," even if the action or decision being challenged is the action or decision of a commission appointed by the court.	**14-4 Designation of the Parties** The party filing the complaint shall be designated as the "Complainant." The court shall be designated as the "Respondent," even if the action or decision being challenged is the action or decision of a commission appointed by the court.	
14-5 Filing a Complaint A. A complaint challenging an ~~action~~ or decision of a court or a commission appointed by the court shall be filed with the Clerk of the next higher court. 1. A complaint challenging an ~~action~~ or decision taken by a Session or by its duly appointed commission shall be	**14-5 Filing a Complaint** A. A complaint challenging an act or decision of a court or a commission appointed by the court shall be filed with the Clerk of the next higher court. 1. A complaint challenging an act or decision taken by a Session or by its duly appointed commission shall be commenced by filing	"Act" has been substituted for "action" throughout.

[65] See proposed chapter 6 for provisions regarding *ex pate* communications.

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commenced by filing a complaint with the Presbytery in which the church is located or is otherwise aligned. 2. A complaint challenging an ~~action~~ or decision ~~of the~~ Presbytery, or by its duly appointed commission, shall be commenced by filing a complaint with the General Assembly. B. A copy of the complaint shall be served upon the lower court by providing its Clerk with a copy thereof at the same time that the complaint is filed with the Clerk of the next higher court.	a complaint with the Presbytery in which the church is located or is otherwise aligned. 2. A complaint challenging an act or decision taken by a Presbytery, or by its duly appointed commission, shall be commenced by filing a complaint with the General Assembly. B. A copy of the complaint shall be served upon the lower court by providing its Clerk with a copy thereof at the same time that the complaint is filed with the Clerk of the next higher court.	
	14-6 Time Period for Filing a Complaint A. A complaint may be filed with the next higher court only after the eligible member of the church or court[66] has attempted to resolve the issue forming the basis for the complaint with the lower court and 1. The response of the lower court has not satisfied the concern of the member, or 2. The lower court has failed to respond by the close of its next stated meeting.	The added stipulation in D.14-6 ensures that there is an attempt to resolve the issue at the lower court before escalating the matter to a higher court.
14-6 Time Period for Filing a Complaint A complaint shall be filed with the next higher court no later than thirty ~~(30)~~ days after the date of the lower court ~~action~~ or decision made the basis of the complaint. Exceptions to this time period may be allowed in cases when:	B. A Complaint shall be filed with the next higher court no later than thirty days after the lower court's response or failure to respond.	
	C. Exceptions to this time period may be allowed in cases when 1. The Complainant legitimately had no knowledge of the lower court action or decision within the thirty-day period, or	Parenthetical number is unnecessary (Chicago Manual of Style Online).
A. The Complainant legitimately had no knowledge of the lower court action or decision within the thirty (30) ~~da~~y period. B. The Complainant may otherwise petition the higher court to file an untimely complaint to avoid manifest injustice~~. The dec~~ision on such	2. The Complainant petitions the higher court to file an untimely complaint to avoid a miscarriage of justice.	"Miscarriage of justice" has been substituted for "manifest injustice" for simplicity of language.

[66] See proposed D.14-2B for eligibility requirements

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a petition is solely within the discretion of the higher court.	3. Decisions on such exceptions are solely within the discretion of the higher court.	Proposed D.14-6C.3 has been added for clarity in the process.
14-7 Stay Pending Hearing on the Complaint	**14-7 Stay Pending Hearing on the Complaint**	
A. ~~When a complaint is properly filed regarding a judgment made in a disciplinary action, rather than an appeal under D.13, notice of filing of the complaint shall have the effect of suspending the judgment of the lower court~~ until the case has been finally decided in the ~~higher court~~. ~~If,~~ however, the matter concerns the purity or peace of the church, the court may, either on its own motion or in response to an application filed by a party to the action and for sufficient reasons duly recorded, stay the action of the lower court until the case is finally decided.	A. Reception of the complaint by the higher court temporarily stays the action of the lower court. If the higher court determines that the complaint is properly filed, the stay continues until the matter is finally decided. B. If the higher court determines that the complaint is not properly filed, the stay will ordinarily be lifted. If the matter concerns the purity or peace of the church, the court may, either on its own motion or in response to an application filed by a party to the action and for suficient reasons duly recorded, stay the action of the lower court until the case is finally decided.	The text of current 14-7 A has been enumerated for clarity. Proposed 14-7A and B clarify what happens to the action of a lower court during the Complaint process. Much of current D.14-7A has been deleted because in the proposed Revision, Complaints may only be filed regarding non-judicial actions (proposed D.14-1A). Filing a Complaint temporarily stays the action of the lower court upon reception of the complaint. If the Complaint is not in order, the action of the lower court will ordinarily resume, but the higher court has discretion to continue the temporary stay if the situation warrants. If the Complaint is in order, the action remains stayed until there is a decision in the case. See current 14-13.
B. ~~When a complaint is properly filed challenging the action or decision of a lower court in a non-disciplinary proceeding, notice of filing the complaint shall not automatically stay the action or decision of the lower court. However, the higher court, in which the complaint is filed, may, either on its own motion or in response to an application filed by a party to the action and for sufficient reasons duly recorded, stay the action of the lower court until the case is finally decided.~~		Current 14-7 B has been deleted as unnecessary due to proposed 14-7A.
14-8 Court Procedures upon the Filing of a Complaint A. When a complaint is filed with the higher court, the court shall determine whether the complaint ~~states~~ grounds on which relief may be granted. If the court determines the	**14-8 Court Procedures upon the Filing of a Complaint** A. When a Complaint is filed with the higher court, the court shall determine whether the Complaint cites constitutional or procedural grounds[67] on which relief may be granted. If	"Constitutional or procedural" has been added throughout for clarity in the process of the Higher

[67] See proposed D.14-3A

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complaint does not state grounds on which relief may be granted, it may ~~either~~: 1. Dismiss the complaint in its entirety; 2. Strike portions ~~thereof~~ and proceed forward; or 3. Order the Complainant to provide a more ~~definite~~ statement of the grounds on which relief may be granted.	the court determines the Complaint does not cite such grounds on which relief may be granted, it may 1. Dismiss the Complaint in its entirety, 2. Strike portions of the Complaint and proceed forward, or 3. Order the Complainant to provide a more specific statement of the grounds on which relief may be granted.	Court. Experience has shown that the current wording is too vague. Merely "stating grounds" should not be sufficient for a Complaint to proceed. It must specifically reference the constitutional or procedural irregularity that has prompted the Complaint.
	B. Abuse of Process If the court determines in good faith that the filing of a complaint is a clear abuse of process, the court may dismiss the complaint. To constitute a clear abuse of process, the complaint must be 1. Frivolous on its face; 2. Substantially duplicates a prior complaint that has been finally decided; 3. Part of a demonstrated pattern of repetitive, unmeritorious filings; or 4. Primarily filed for a purpose other than obtaining the relief requested. The court shall state the specific ground(s) for its determination, including the basis on which the complaint constitutes a clear abuse of process. Any such dismissal shall itself be subject to complaint to the next higher court, where applicable.	Following review by the Permanent Judicial Commission, proposed 14-8B has been added. Situations that have come before the PJC have shown the necessity for a higher court to have the ability to dismiss a Complaint when the process is being abused.
B. When a complaint is filed with the next higher court and it is determined by the court that the complaint states grounds on which relief may be granted, the higher court has ~~the~~ authority: 1. ~~Where circumstances warrant~~, to void the whole or any part of the lower court action	C. When a Complaint is filed with the next higher court and it is determined by the court that the Complaint cites constitutional or procedural grounds on which relief may be granted, the higher court has authority	"Constitutional or procedural" has been added for internal consistency (see proposed 14-8A). Opening phrase deleted as unnecessary. Current 14-8B.1 split into two sections for clarity.

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against which the complaint has been made or send the matter back to the lower court with instructions for further consideration or action. 2. To direct the lower court to appoint one or more representatives to ~~defend~~ the complaint against it, and further direct the appointed representative to file an answer to the complaint no later than thirty (30) day~~s from~~ the order of the higher court. The lower court may request a one-time extension of fifteen ~~(15)~~ days to file its answer. The answer shall respond to each allegation in the complaint and shall set forth with specificity all defenses on which the lower court relies.	1. To void the whole or any part of the lower court action against which the complaint has been made, 2. To send the matter back to the lower court with instructions for further consideration or action, 3. To direct the lower court to appoint one or more representatives to answer the Complaint against it, 4. To direct the appointed representative(s) to file an answer to the Complaint no later than thirty days from the order of the higher court. a) The lower court may request a one-time extension of fifteen days to file its answer. **b)** The answer shall respond to each allegation in the Complaint and shall set forth with specificity all defenses on which the lower court relies.	"Answer" is more descriptive than "defend" and is internally consistent. Current 14-8B.2 has been split into proposed 14-8C.3 and 4 for clarity. Parenthetical numbers are unnecessary (Chicago Manual of Style Online).
C. The Record of the Case The lower court shall file the record of the case concurrently with its answer to the complaint ~~pursuant to B.2 above~~. The Record of the Case shall consist of any and all documents in the lower court's possession relating to the complaint made against it. In every case a full record shall be made, and a copy of it shall be sent to the Complainant. If the Complainant, on motion duly filed, contends that the record is incomplete or incorrect, the Complainant may file a proposed supplement to the Record of the Case within fifteen (15) days of the filing ~~of~~ the Record of the Case. D. Reviewing the Record Upon receipt of the full and complete record of the case as determined by the higher court, the higher court shall then review the record in its entirety, except any part of it that may be	D. The Record of the Case The lower court shall file the record of the case concurrently with its answer to the complaint. The Record of the Case shall consist of any and all documents in the lower court's possession relating to the complaint made against it. In every case a full record shall be made, and a copy of it shall be sent to the Complainant. If the Complainant, on motion duly filed, contends that the Record is incomplete or incorrect, the Complainant may file a proposed supplement to the Record of the Case within fifteen days of the filing of the Record of the Case. E. Reviewing the Record Upon receipt of the full and complete record of the case as determined by the higher court, the higher court shall then review the Record in its entirety, except any part of it that may be	Phrase deleted as unnecessary.

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omitted with the mutual consent of ~~the~~ parties and the higher court.	omitted with the mutual consent of both parties and the higher court.	
E. The higher court may seek clarification of matters or direct questions to the Complainant and/or Respondent in writing.	F. The higher court may seek clarification of matters or direct questions to the Complainant and/or Respondent in writing.	
F. Oral Argument and Notice of Hearing The higher court may permit oral argument. If the higher court determines oral argument will be allowed, it shall provide ~~all~~ parties with reasonable notice of the time and place of the hearing on the complaint. This notice may be provided in person or by other means establishing proof of service.	G. Oral Argument and Notice of Hearing The higher court may permit oral argument. If the higher court determines oral argument will be allowed, it shall provide both parties with reasonable notice of the time and place of the hearing on the complaint. This notice may be provided in person or by other means establishing proof of service.	"Both" has been used throughout as there are only 2 parties in a complaint.
G. If oral argument is allowed, either party may file a written summary of their argument with the higher court no later than fifteen (~~15~~) days before the date of the hearing. The Complainant shall have the right of opening and closing the argument.	H. If Oral Argument is allowed, either party may file a written summary of their Argument with the higher court no later than fifteen days before the date of the hearing. The Complainant shall have the right of opening and closing the argument.	
H. Deliberations of the Court: Upon conclusion of the arguments, the members of the higher court shall convene in private and each member shall be given an opportunity to express ~~his~~ opinions, deliberate upon, and vote on the question.	I. Deliberations of the Court Upon conclusion of the arguments, the members of the higher court shall convene in private, all members shall be given an opportunity to express their opinions, deliberate upon, and vote on the question.	Gender-specific pronoun deleted as unnecessary in this context.
14-9 Voting upon a Complaint A. Specification of the vote In voting upon a complaint, the vote shall be either to sustain, to sustain in part, or not to sustain.	**14-9 Voting upon a Complaint** A. Specification of the vote In voting upon a complaint, the vote shall be either to sustain, to sustain in part, or not to sustain.	
B. Effect of a vote to sustain or not to sustain A vote to sustain shall be to sustain each and all of the items or counts of the complaint. A vote not to sustain shall be to deny the relief sought by each count of the complaint.	B. Effect of a vote to sustain or not to sustain 1. A vote to sustain shall be to sustain each and all of the items or counts of the complaint. A vote not to sustain shall be to	Current 14-9B has been enumerated for clarity.

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A vote to sustain in part shall be to sustain one or more specific items or counts of the complaint. C. A majority vote of those members of the court present is required to sustain, not to sustain, or to sustain in part the counts of the complaint. D. Written opinion. The court may issue a written opinion explaining its decision, which shall become part of the Record of the Case. E. Right to Vote No member of the lower court who participated in the action or decision made the basis of the complaint shall hear, deliberate upon, or vote on the allegations of the complaint being heard by the next higher court. ~~**14.10 Counsel**~~ ~~All parties shall have the right of counsel as described in D.9.3.~~ ~~**14.11**~~ **Abandonment of Complaint** ~~A Complainant shall be considered to have abandoned his complaint if he does not appear before the higher court in person or by counsel at the time set for the hearing~~. In such cases the act or decision of the lower court will stand, unless the complainant can provide the court with a satisfactory explanation for his failure to appear or the higher court, ~~in its discretion~~, chooses to act upon the complaint in the interests of the Church. ~~**14.12**~~ **Unchristian Attitude**	deny the relief sought by each count of the complaint. 2. A vote to sustain in part shall be to sustain one or more specific items or counts of the complaint. C. Majority vote required A majority vote of those members of the court present is required to sustain, not to sustain, or to sustain in part the counts of the complaint. D. Written opinion The court may issue a written opinion explaining its decision, which shall become part of the Record of the Case in the lower court. E. Right to Vote No member of the lower court who participated in the action or decision made the basis of the complaint shall hear, deliberate upon, or vote on the allegations of the complaint being heard by the next higher court. **14-10 Abandonment of Complaint** If a Complainant does not appear before the higher court in person at the time set for the hearing, the complaint shall be considered abandoned. In such cases the act or decision of the lower court will stand, unless the Complainant can provide the court with a satisfactory explanation for failure to appear or the higher court chooses to act upon the complaint in the interests of the Church.	"In the lower court" has been added for clarity in the process. Counsel is not needed in the non-judicial situations that give rise to a Complaint. First sentence edited for clarity. "His" deleted as unnecessary. "In its discretion" deleted as unnecessary.

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If any party willfully fails to comply with these rules or demonstrates a litigious or otherwise unchristian attitude, ~~he~~ may be subject to appropriate discipline by the higher court.	**14-12 Unchristian Attitude** If any party willfully fails to comply with these rules or demonstrates a litigious or otherwise unchristian attitude, that party may be subject to appropriate discipline by the higher court.	Gender-specific pronoun not necessary.
14-13 Failure to File the Record If a lower court ~~shall~~ neglect to file the Record of the Case or any part of it, to the harm of the complainant, it may receive a proper rebuke from the higher court. ~~Thereupon, the act or decision upon which the complaint is based shall be suspended until the record is produced upon which the issue can be fairly heard.~~	**14-13 Failure to File the Record** A. If a lower court neglects to file the Record of the Case or any part of it, to the harm of the Complainant, it may receive a proper rebuke from the higher court.	"Shall" deleted as unnecessary. Final sentence of the first paragraph current 14-13 unnecessary due to proposed 14-7A. When a complaint is received with clear and proper grounds, the act or decision of the Lower Court is paused.
If the lower court shall file a portion of the record by electronic means, the complainant shall have the right to prepare a written transcript of it at ~~his own~~ expense.	B. If the lower court files a portion of the record by electronic means, the Complainant shall have the right to prepare a written transcript of it at the Complainant's expense.	

Chapter 15 – Proposed Book of Discipline Revision

Current Chapter 15	Proposed Chapter 15	Rationale
— 15 — DISSENT AND PROTEST	— 15 — DISSENT AND PROTEST	
15-1 Dissent A dissent is a statement on the record by members of a minority objecting to what they believe to be an ill-advised or erroneous judgment. Any expression of dissent shall be ~~accompanied by a statement of the reasons~~ ~~for dissent.~~	**15-1 Dissent** A dissent is a statement on the record by members of a minority of a court objecting to what they believe to be an ill-advised or erroneous act or decision of a court. Any expression of dissent shall be made before adjournment of the meeting and a written statement for the reasons should be sent to the Clerk of the court within 30 days	"Of a court" added for clarity. "Act or" added throughout for internal consistency The additional language clarifies the process of registering a dissent. The dissent must be expressed before the meeting adjourns and a written statement must be sent to the Clerk within 30 days. It is not reasonable to require a written statement at the meeting itself, especially if the action prompting dissent occurs near the end of the meeting.
15-2 Protest A protest is a more solemn and formal statement on the record by members of a minority, strenuously objecting to what they believe to be an ill-advised or erroneous ~~judgment~~. Any protest shall be accompanied by a statement of the reasons for protest.	**15-2 Protest** A protest is a more solemn and formal statement on the record by members of a minority of a court, strenuously objecting to what they believe to be an ill-advised or erroneous act or decision of a court. Any expression of protest shall be made before adjournment of the meeting and a written statement for the reasons should be sent to the clerk of the court within 30 days.	"Of a court" added for clarity. The additional language clarifies the process of registering a protest. The process for dissent and protest are the same
15-3 Record of Protest or Dissent If a protest or dissent contains temperate language, and is respectful to the court, it shall be placed in the Record of the Case. ~~The court~~ ~~may, if it believes it is necessary, respond to~~ ~~the protest or dissent.~~ The matter shall be ended unless the persons protesting obtain permission to withdraw or amend their protest.	**15-3 Record of Protest or Dissent** If a protest or dissent contains temperate language and is respectful to the court, it shall be placed in the Record of the court. If the court believes it is necessary, it may respond to the protest or the dissent. The matter shall be ended unless the persons protesting obtain permission to withdraw or amend their protest.	A protest or a dissent is not a "case," but it is necessary to have a record of it in the minutes.
15-4 Right to Vote Required None can join in a dissent or protest against a decision of any court except those who had a right to vote in the case.	**15-4 Right to Vote Required** None can join in a dissent or protest against a decision of any court except those who had a right to vote in the case.	

Proposed Revision to the Book of Discipline (Clean Copy)

— 1 — DISCIPLINE: ITS NATURE, PURPOSE, AND SUBJECTS

1-1 Definition of Church Discipline

A. There are two kinds of authority vested in the church:

1. The Responsibility of Order[68]
2. The Authority of Jurisdiction[69]

B. Both kinds of authority are given the church by the Lord Jesus Christ to instruct and guide her members and to promote her purity and welfare. Discipline is the exercise of the Responsibility of Order, particularly regarding "reproving the erring."[70] As the exercise of such authority may adversely affect the membership rights[71] of an individual who has been accused of an offense, the authority may require utilizing actions for discipline.

C. The word "discipline," when used in this *Book of Discipline*, refers to actions for discipline.[72]

D. Church discipline does not supersede or negate the legal responsibility to report cases of suspected abuse to civil authorities according to local and state requirements.

1-2 Definition of "Church":

As used in this *Book of Discipline*, the word "church" shall refer to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, including her General Assembly, Presbyteries (including mission churches), and local churches.

1-3 Purpose of Discipline

The purpose of discipline is to

A. Maintain the honor of God,

B. Restore the sinner,

C. Protect those harmed by the sin of others,

D. Remove offense from the church.

Teaching Elders must instruct the officers and congregation in the use of discipline and jointly practice it in the context of the congregation and courts of the church.

1-4 Basis of Discipline

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[68] **G**.3-2 "The officers' Responsibility of Order includes especially the sharing of the gospel, reproving the erring, visiting the sick, and otherwise exhibiting to the world the fruit of the Spirit." See G.3-2 for the full reference.

[69] **G**.3-3 "The Authority of Jurisdiction is the authority to rule and is exercised jointly in ascending Church courts." See G.3-3 for the full reference.

[70] **G**.3-2

[71] Active members (**G**.8-3B) have the right to vote in congregational meetings (**G**.7-7), the right to receive the sacraments in a worthy manner (**W**3-3, **W**3-3), the right to hold office if elected and approved for ordination (G.10), and the benefits of discipline (**D**.1-5A). These rights could be removed by properly imposed sanctions (D.11).

[72] See *Book of Discipline* Chapter 5.

A. As the revelation of God's holy will, Scriptural law is the basis of all discipline. Therefore, proper disciplinary principles as set forth in the Scriptures must be followed before any charge alleging a personal offense can be brought before a court of the church.

B. When a charge of personal offense[73] is brought before any court of the church, the party bringing the charge must ordinarily include a statement detailing how the principles outlined in Matthew 18:15 and Galatians 6:1 have been met. The court may waive this requirement if it deems that confronting the offender would be inappropriate or otherwise inadvisable.[74]

C. If anyone has evidence to suggest that a Teaching Elder may be guilty of a private offense,[75] the Teaching Elder should be warned privately. But if the offense persists, or becomes public, the matter should be brought to another Teaching Elder of the Presbytery or the Ministerial Committee.

1-2 Persons Subject to Discipline

A. All active and inactive members of the church, confirmed, baptized, and affiliate, are entitled and subject to the benefits of discipline.

B. All Teaching Elders are subject to discipline. Teaching Elders should not be shielded from discipline or lightly sanctioned on account of their office. Neither should serious charges be received against a Teaching Elder on insubstantial grounds.

1-3 Grounds for Discipline

Not everything displeasing to God is a ground for discipline. Additionally, all Christians are prone to acts of infirmity which should be amended but do not require discipline. The offenses that require discipline and are subject to actions for discipline are as follows:

A. **Heresy**: the expressed or implied denial, openly taught and obstinately maintained, of one or more of the essential doctrines of Christianity.

B. **Immorality**: conduct inconsistent with the biblical standards for conduct, including but not limited to bickering, brawling, debauchery, drunkenness, gossiping,[76] hatred, abuse, idolatry, impurity, slander, and sexual immorality such as adultery, fornication, homosexual practice, and bestiality.
   1. Abuse is the sinful use of power to harm, intimidate, exploit, or dominate another person.[77]
   2. In cases charging possible abuse, a court may make reasonable accommodations to protect vulnerable parties from possible harm or distress provided that such accommodations do not interfere with the rights of the accused to present an unhindered defense. Any such accommodations may not be used as evidence of abuse in any trial, mediation, implementation of sanctions, or other action of the court.

C. **Contempt**: willful conduct done in deliberate disrespect of a court of the church, the constitutional documents of the church, or the officers of the church acting in their official capacities.

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[73] Proposed **D**.4-2A

[74] Waiving these requirements has in view a situation where a one-on-one meeting of the accuser with the accused may carry a high potential of physical harm, intimidation, or coercion of the accused or be otherwise inadvisable. The Court may make that determination as it sees fit.

[75] Proposed **D**.4-3A

[76] The terms "bickering and "gossiping" as used herein are intended to deal with those acts that are disruptive to the peace and unity of the church.

[77] See **Westminster Larger Catechism** questions 129, 130 & 151.

1-1 Church Members Who Are Also Employees

The employer/employee relationship is not within the scope of the Book of Discipline. Church members who are also employees of the church shall be subject to discipline as an employee under whatever procedures may be established by the church for employees. They may also be subject to discipline as a member under the *Book of Discipline*.

— 2 — SPIRITUAL POWERS OF THE CHURCH

2-1 The Spiritual Power of the Church

The power of the Church is moral and spiritual, thus distinguishing the government of the Church from civil government. The Evangelical Presbyterian Church does not have civil authority.[78]

2-2 Spiritual Nurture of Members

Among other duties, it is the duty of the church to provide for the nurture of its members and their families.[79]

2-3 Retention of Authority over Church Property

While possessing no civil authority over any person, the church does retain authority over its property and ministries. In providing a secure and nurturing atmosphere for worship and spiritual growth, the church retains the right to exclude anyone from its property, services, or ministries on such terms and conditions as it may desire. Thus, for example, a local church may require certain standards before permitting adults to teach, lead ministries, or otherwise participate in the life and ministry of the church.

— 3 — JURISDICTION OF CHURCH COURTS

3-1 The Right of Private Judgment

Since "God alone is Lord of the conscience,"[80] we consider the right of private judgment in religious matters to be universal and unalienable.[81] Therefore, the church in disciplinary cases has jurisdiction only over her members.[82]

3-2 Definition of Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction is the authority of a church court to render a decision in a case requiring discipline. This is the exercise of the Responsibility of Order.[83] A court must have jurisdiction over both the individual accused and the subject matter of the charge before it can issue an indictment or render a decision. This definition is not to be confused with the Authority of Jurisdiction. The Authority of Jurisdiction is the power to rule and is a joint power to be exercised in church courts in ascending order.[84] The exercise of such power shall always reflect the essential unity of the church. The exercise of the Authority of Jurisdiction provides the court with the authority to decide issues of government, administration, or law as it pertains to the rule of the church.

3-3 Original Jurisdiction

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[78] G.3-1

[79] G.4-4B

[80] *Westminster Confession of Faith* 20.2

[81] **G**.25-2A

[82] Proposed **D**.1-5

[83] **G**.3-2

[84] "Ascending order" is the same as "regular gradation" in **G**.2-1A, **G**.3-3, and **G**.9-10.

In cases of original jurisdiction, the following rules apply:

A. The Session
The Session has original jurisdiction in every disciplinary case involving members of that local church.

B. The Presbytery
The Presbytery has original jurisdiction in every disciplinary case involving Teaching Elders of the Presbytery, appeals from actions for discipline decided by sessions,[85] and complaints[86] regarding actions or decisions of sessions within its designated area.[87]

C. The General Assembly
The General Assembly has original jurisdiction over complaints[88] regarding actions or decisions of Presbyteries and judicial cases referred to it by a lower court.[89]

D. Dissolved Churches
The Presbytery shall immediately assume jurisdiction in cases of discipline in process but interrupted by the dissolution of a local church or mission church.

E. Transfer of Membership
A member of a local church or Presbytery whose membership is being transferred shall remain under the jurisdiction of the original court until received by the receiving court.

3-2 Assumption of Jurisdiction
In the event a court shall be unable or unwilling to try a person or persons accused, the next higher court may assume jurisdiction after giving thirty days' written notice to the lower court of its intention to assume jurisdiction.

3-3 Failure to Act
When a court of original jurisdiction fails to act in an action for discipline within ninety days after receiving a written charge or notice of offense, upon request from

A. Any active member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church from within the same Presbytery,
B. A member of the court of original jurisdiction, or
C. An accused or accuser in an out of bounds offense,[90]

the next higher court may either instruct the lower court to act or assume jurisdiction to conclude the case itself.

3-4 Termination of Jurisdiction by Renunciation
Jurisdiction in judicial cases ends upon receipt from the accused of written notice of renunciation by the Clerk or Stated Clerk of the court of original jurisdiction. In the event an individual orally renounces jurisdiction, this fact shall be confirmed by letter from the court verifying the individual's intention to renounce jurisdiction. The letter shall be delivered in person or by form of mail requiring a written receipt. If the court receives no written response within ten days, the acknowledgement of renunciation

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[85] See Proposed **D**.13, on "Appeals" and Proposed D.3-4 and 3-5 on assumption of jurisdiction due to unwillingness or failure to act.
[86] See Proposed **D**.14, "Complaints."
[87] **G**.19-1
[88] Proposed **D**.14
[89] **G**.22-3
[90] See proposed **D**.4-5 regarding "Out of Bounds Offenses."

of jurisdiction shall be deemed final. In such instances, a case already begun may be concluded only with the signed permission of the accused.[91]

— 4 — OFFENSES

4-1 Offenses

Three kinds of offenses require discipline: Heresy, Immorality, and Contempt.[92] Nothing ought to be considered by any court as an offense, or admitted as a matter of accusation, which cannot be proved to be such from Scripture. **The Westminster Confession of Faith**, with the **Larger and Shorter Catechisms**, **The Essentials of Our Faith**, and the **Book of Order**, are the standards adopted by the church as expositions of the teachings of Scripture in relation to faith and practice.

4-2 Personal and General Offenses

A. A personal offense is a wrong done to a person or persons, including one's own self.

B. A general offense is a wrong that is not directed against any particular person.

4-3 Private and Public Offenses

A. Private offenses are those known only to an individual or to a few persons.

B. Public offenses are those that are known to more than a few persons.

4-4 Temporary Suspensions

When an action against an accused church member, the Session may, if it thinks the peace and purity[93] of the church requires it, temporarily suspend the accused from the sacraments and/or bar the accused from church property[94] until the action for discipline has been concluded.

4-5 Out-of-Bounds Offenses

When an offense is alleged to have taken place in a manner or location unknown to and/or outside the bounds of the court of original jurisdiction, it shall be the duty of the court within whose bounds the alleged offense occurred, after satisfying itself there is compelling evidence warranting a trial, to send notice of pending charge(s) to the court having jurisdiction, which shall at once proceed against the accused; or the whole case may be transferred for trial and imposition of sanctions, if any, to the coordinate court within whose bounds the offense is alleged to have been committed.

— 5 — COMMENCING ACTIONS FOR DISCIPLINE

5-1 Care over the Church

It is the duty of all church courts to exercise care over those subject to their authority. They shall, with care and discretion, investigate reports concerning alleged offenses that require discipline. This duty is imperative when a person claiming to be aggrieved files a written charge with the court.[95]

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[91] See G.14-2B.3 and 14-4C for the effect of renunciation of jurisdiction.

[92] Proposed **D**.1-6

[93] See **G**.4-1, 5-5A, 5-6A, D.8-3A and vows taken by members and officers.

[94] Proposed **D**.2-3

[95] The aggrieved party should use the appropriate Form for Discipline.

5-1 Commencement of Actions for Discipline

Actions for discipline are commenced by one of three means:

A. By a Person or Persons
When a person or persons file a written charge with the Clerk of the court of original jurisdiction.[96]

B. By the Court
When the court having jurisdiction[97] determines that a charge is in order.

C. By Confession
When any person comes forward and makes his or her offense known to the court or commission of original jurisdiction,[98] a statement of the facts shall be recorded, and judgment may be rendered and sanctions may be imposed with or without further actions for discipline, formal trial, or mediation.

5-2 Cautions Against Biased Accusations and Testimony

Great caution should be exercised by the court or commission in receiving accusations and testimony from any person

A. Who is known to hold a malignant spirit towards the accused,

B. Who is not of good character,

C. Who is under sanction or who is the subject of an action for discipline,

D. Who is deeply interested in any respect in the conviction of the accused,

E. Who is known to be litigious, contentious, rash, or highly imprudent,

F. Who is offering a confession for an offense which may be incomplete or not fully accurate.

5-3 Limitation on Actions

An action for discipline must commence within three years after the acts constituting the offense were committed, with certain exceptions:

A. The acts were unknown and were not reasonably knowable by the offended person or court.

B. The offended person is under the age of 18, in which case the action for discipline must commence before that person's twenty-first birthday unless the offense includes abuse.[99]

5-4 Private Reconciliation

There are cases of personal offenses in which it will be advisable for the court to send a committee to converse in a private manner with the accused and endeavor to bring the accused to a sense of repentance before instituting actions for discipline. The committee may then make recommendations to the court or commission concerning further prosecution of the case.

5-5 Investigation of a Charge

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[96] Proposed D.3-3
[97] *Ibid.*
[98] *Ibid.*
[99] See D.1-1D regarding reporting to civil authorities..

A After an action for discipline is commenced by a person (persons) and when private reconciliation is either not advisable or has been unsuccessful
   1. The Clerk of the court, or a duly appointed body, shall determine if the action for discipline is in order.
   2. If the action for discipline is determined to be out of order, the Clerk or a duly appointed body shall advise the accusers of the decision and its grounds. The decision shall be reported to the court, which shall sustain or not sustain the decision.

B. If the action for discipline is determined to be in order or if the court has initiated the action for discipline, the court shall form a judicial investigative committee to conduct an investigation into charges filed. The judicial investigative committee shall have no authority to act for the court other than as an investigative body. The judicial investigative committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the court.

C. After the investigation is concluded, the court shall decide whether there is compelling evidence to warrant a trial.

D. If the court does not find compelling evidence of guilt to warrant a trial, the charge will be dismissed.

5-1 Proceedings upon a Determination of Compelling Evidence Warranting a Trial

A. The court shall appoint a prosecutor.
   1. In actions before the Presbytery, the prosecutor shall be a Teaching Elder who is a member of the Presbytery or a Ruling Elder who is an active member in a local church of the Presbytery.

   2. In actions before the Session, the prosecutor need not be a Ruling Elder of that congregation but shall be an active member of that church.[100] [101]

   3. In the case of a personal offense, no offended person or a potential witness having personal knowledge of an offense shall become a prosecutor.

B. The prosecutor shall prepare an indictment and proceed to trial.
   1. The parties in actions for discipline are the accuser and the accused. The accuser is always the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, whose honor and purity are to be maintained. The prosecutor is always the representative of the church.

   2. Every indictment shall begin: "In the name of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church," and shall conclude, "against the peace, unity, and purity of the church, and the honor and majesty of the Lord Jesus Christ, as the King and Head thereof."

   3. The indictment shall clearly state the times, places, circumstances, and names of witnesses of the actions alleged to require an action for discipline, including the names of witnesses then known to support it so that the accused will be given adequate notice of the charges and the opportunity to make a defense.

   4. The prosecutor shall serve a copy of the indictment either in person or by means requiring a written receipt.

C. Actions of the Court upon appointment of a prosecutor

[100] **G**.8-3B

[101] See **D**.3-4 and **D**.3-5 in the event a local church is unwilling, unable, or fails to act on a action for discipline.

1. The court shall decide whether it will try the case or refer the case for trial and decision to a judicial commission[102] appointed by the court.

2. If the court tries the case, it may elect one of its members to serve as Temporary Moderator for the case with the consent of the Moderator. The Temporary Moderator shall exercise the duties of a Moderator[103] only with respect to the particular action for discipline. Neither the Moderator nor the Temporary Moderator may serve if they have a conflict of interest in the case.

3. If the case is referred to a judicial commission, the commission has the full authority of the court to act on the matter referred. Ordinarily the Judicial Commission will be dissolved at the stated meeting of the court following the conclusion of the trial.

4. Composition of judicial commissions
   a. Judicial commissions of the shall be composed of no fewer than three and no more than seven members elected by the court.

   b. Judicial commissions of the Presbytery shall be composed of a ratio of one Teaching Elder to two Ruling Elders to the extent possible unless the court appoints the Ministerial Committee as the judicial commission.

   c. Judicial commissions of the Session shall be composed of Ruling Elders of the congregation and may include the Teaching Elders of the congregation.[104] At least one member of the Commission must be a Ruling Elder actively serving on the Session.

   d. Members of a judicial investigative committee should ordinarily not serve on a judicial commission to avoid any appearance of bias.

   e. The court shall appoint the Moderator of the judicial commission. The Moderator is a member of the judicial commission with voice and vote.

   f. The prosecutor is not eligible to be a member of the judicial commission.

5. Ordinarily, the court will set a date for trial upon the appointment of the prosecutor.

6. If the accused is a member of the court, the court may temporarily suspend any or all the official functions of the accused. This shall not be considered a sanction.[105]

— 6 — *EX PARTE* COMMUNICATIONS

6-1 Definition of *Ex Parte* Communications

A. An *ex parte* communication is any form of communication to the presiding court or commission or officer of the presiding court by one party in an action for discipline in the absence of the other party to that action that relates to the merits of the action. It includes but is not limited to verbal, written, electronic, or any other form of communication.

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[102] **G**.21-1A, B

[103] **G**.18-2A; **G**.19-3A

[104] Teaching Elders of the congregation are pastors and associate pastors. Assistant pastors are called by the Session, not the congregation, and therefore are not eligible to serve on a judicial commission of a local church.

[105] See proposed D.11-2A regarding temporary suspensions, which are not sanctions.

A. Once a court begins an action for discipline,[106] *ex parte* communications are prohibited.

B. This prohibition against *ex parte* communication does not include questions on procedural matters that may be addressed to the Clerk of the court or Moderator of the commission.

1-2 Actions in the event of *ex parte* communication

A. Any attempt at *ex parte* verbal communication shall be immediately interrupted by the member of the court to whom the communication is directed.

B. The member of the court shall
   1. Make a record of the attempted communication,
   2. Place the record in a separate file,
   3. Communicate to the other party the attempted *ex parte* communication.

C. The record of the attempted communication shall include
   1. The name of the person(s) attempting to so communicate,
   2. The date of the attempted communication.

D. Under no circumstances shall the content of any *ex parte* communication be added to the case file of the subject of an action for discipline.

E. Any form of *ex parte* communication, including notes from a verbal communication, shall be placed in a separate file and communicated to the other party and members of the presiding court or commission.

1-3 Proper communication with a court, commission, or its officers

If a party desires communication with a court or a judicial commission, that party shall request a meeting in person or by audio or video conference with the court or commission. The Court or Commission, or its designee, shall determine if the meeting is in order, and, if so, shall schedule the audio or video conference. The party desiring communication shall be responsible for arranging the meeting.

— 7 — MEDIATION

7-1 Assignment of mediation

A. At the sole discretion of a court or judicial commission, an action for discipline once commenced may be assigned to a qualified mediator(s) agreed upon by both parties prior to the commencement of a trial. A matter so assigned may only proceed with the written consent of all necessary individuals as determined by the assigning court or commission. The court may assign all or part of the action for discipline, allowing a portion of the charge(s) to go into mediation while remaining charges continue to trial.

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[106] See Proposed Chapter 5

A. At least one voting member of the court or commission prosecuting the case shall represent the court or commission at mediation.[107] If the assigned mediator(s) are members of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, the mediator(s) shall not be eligible to serve as a member of the court or judicial commission should it prove necessary for the matter to be brought to trial.

B. Prior to the commencement of mediation, the mediator(s) shall obtain the written agreement of both parties, by which both parties shall be bound by the following:
   1. All discussions are considered confidential unless both parties and the mediator(s) agree otherwise.

   2. Any admissions and settlement offers made shall not be cited in any further proceeding concerning any other matter before the court, should the matter not be resolved in mediation. No participant in the mediation will call a mediator(s) as a witness to the mediation in any subsequent hearing and/or in any other forum.

   3. Any person who violates the terms of this agreement may be charged with contempt and subject to sanction.

   4. A mediator(s) may only report to the court or Judicial Commission whether the matter has been settled, or not settled, or partially settled. If settled, the terms of any settlement shall be disclosed to the court or judicial commission. However, no settlement can be entered into which conflicts with any provision of the Constitution of the EPC.[108] Any such settlement will be considered null and void. Written settlements are to be sealed and kept by the Clerk of the court separate from the minutes of the court or judicial commission.

   5. No formal record of any settlement discussions shall be made. This prohibition includes the use of any recording device or a stenographer.

7-2 Legal counsel for mediation

If either party to mediation desires to have legal counsel, the other party shall be afforded the same opportunity.[109]

— 8 — HEARINGS IN ACTIONS FOR DISCIPLINE

8-1 Warning to All

Every member of a court or commission engaged in an action for discipline shall bear in mind the command of Scripture: "Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted.[110]

8-2 Formal Summons

A. Issuance

The Moderator or Clerk shall issue formal summons in the name of the court to the accused and to such witnesses as either party shall nominate to appear on its behalf.

B. Contents

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[107] The prosecutor is not a voting member of the judicial commission (proposed **D**.5-7C.4(f))

[108] The Constitution of the EPC consists of the **Westminster Confession of Faith**, **Westminster Larger Catechism**, **Westminster Shorter Catechism**, and the **Book of Order** in its three parts (*Book of Government, Book of Discipline,* and *Book of Worship*).

[109] See provisions regarding learned counsel in Proposed D.10-3

[110] Galatians 6:1 (New International Version, 2011)

The formal summons shall identify the parties to the trial, shall state the time and place of the trial, and shall warn the parties and witnesses of the sanctions for refusal to obey a formal summons.

A. Service of Summons and Indictment
The Clerk of the court or commission shall deliver a copy of the summons and the indictment to the defendant in person or by form of delivery requiring a signed receipt. The Clerk shall further deliver a summons to necessary witnesses in person or by form of delivery requiring a signed receipt.

B. Witness and Exhibits List
Both parties shall provide the other with a list of expected witnesses and copies of all exhibits not later than 5 days before trial (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays) by personal delivery or by means requiring a written receipt.

8-2 Refusal to Obey a Formal Summons

A. Accused Person
When an accused person fails to respond to a formal summons, the accused shall be served with a second formal summons.

B. Second Summons
A second formal summons shall be accompanied with a notice that if the accused does not appear at the time appointed (unless providentially hindered, which fact the accused shall make known to the court), or that if the accused appears and refuses to plead, the accused shall be considered in contempt.[111]

C. Sanctions for Failure to Appear
When an accused person, having been twice formally summoned willfully fails to appear, the court or commission shall enter this fact into its records, together with a copy of the indictment, and shall treat the failure to appear as an act of contempt.

1. For a member of the church, the court or commission shall suspend the accused person from the sacraments indefinitely. If the charge is of a serious nature, the court or commission may proceed to the sanction of excommunication.[112]

2. For a Teaching or Ruling Elder, the court or commission shall suspend the Officer both from office and the sacraments indefinitely. If the charge is of a serious nature, the court or commission may proceed to the sanctions of removal from office or excommunication.[113]

D. Failure of a Witness to Appear
In the event a duly summoned officer or member of the church willfully fails to appear or refuses to testify, the court may treat the refusal of the witness as contempt and proceed to prosecution of the witness.

8-3 Time Periods

At least ten days must elapse between service of the first formal summons on the accused person, and the meeting of the court at which the accused is to appear. The time allotted for appearance following the second summons shall be left to the discretion of the court or commission, provided that it is sufficient for reasonable compliance.

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[111] Proposed D.1-6A

[112] See Proposed 11-2 regarding sanctions.

[113] *Ibid.*

— 9 — RULES FOR TESTIMONY

9-1 Competency of Witnesses

Competency means ability to testify. All persons, including both parties, who have sufficient ability to understand the obligation of a solemn promise,[114] are competent witnesses.

9-2 Testimony of the Accused

The accused party cannot be required to testify.[115] No inference of guilt may be drawn from failure to testify. The person or persons who filed the charges shall be required to testify on the demand of the accused.

9-3 Family Members

Husbands and wives, parents and children, shall not be required to testify against each other.

9-4 Dismissing Witnesses

The court or commission[116] shall have broad discretion as justice may require to dismiss any witness (other than the accused or accuser) from the room while another witness is testifying.

9-5 Disqualification of Witnesses

A member of the court or commission who has given testimony in a case shall be ineligible to vote on the case if either party objects.

9-6 Credibility of Witnesses

Credibility means the degree of credit which may be given to the testimony of a witness. In assessing the credibility of a witness, the court may consider relevant matters that bear on the credibility of the witness, including, but not limited to, the witness's

A. Relationship to either party or other witnesses,

B. Personal interest in the result,

C. Weakness of understanding,

D. Demeanor while testifying,

E. Character for honesty or truthfulness,

F. Belief in the existence of God and a future state of rewards and punishments.

9-7 The Solemn Promise of the Witness

The Moderator (or Temporary Moderator) shall administer a solemn promise to a witness in the following or like terms:

"Do you solemnly promise, in the presence of God, that you will declare the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, according to the best of your knowledge in the matter in which you are called to witness?"

9-8 Examination of Witnesses

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[114] See proposed **D**.9-7.

[115] See proposed **D**.2-1.

[116] "Commission" means judicial commission throughout this chapter.

A. Examination and Cross-Examination
Witnesses shall be examined first by the party introducing them; then cross-examined by the opposite party, after which either party or any member of the court may ask additional questions. No question shall be asked or answered except by permission of the Moderator subject to an appeal to the court or commission. The court or commission shall not permit repetitive questions or questions which are frivolous or irrelevant to the charge at issue.

B. Witness Inconvenience
1. When the alleged offense took place at a distance, and it is inconvenient for the witnesses to appear before the court having jurisdiction, that court may either
   a) Appoint a judicial investigative committee to take the testimony, or
   b) Request the court within whose bounds the facts occurred to take the testimony on behalf of the court of original jurisdiction

2. Due notice of the time and place of the taking of testimony by the judicial investigative committee or the coordinate court shall be given to the opposite party. Testimony may be taken by questions asked to the witness with answers recorded in writing or recorded by electronic or other means. Both parties shall have the right to examine the witness.

9-2 Burden of Proof
The testimony of more than one witness shall be necessary in order to prove an allegation of the indictment. However, if in addition to the testimony of one witness, other supporting evidence is proved, the allegation may be considered to be proved.

— 10 —TRIAL PROCEEDINGS

10-1 Order of the trial

A. Charge to the court or commission
The Moderator (or Temporary Moderator) shall exhort the members of the court or commission to remember and consider their high character as judges of a court of Jesus Christ and the solemn duty in which they are about to participate.

B. Indictment
The Moderator (or Temporary Moderator) shall read the indictment, and the accused shall be called upon to plead either "guilty" or "not guilty." If the accused pleads "guilty," the court or commission shall act according to its discretion. If the accused pleads "not guilty," the trial shall proceed. The accused party may plead in writing when unable to be personally present. If the accused party is necessarily absent, the court or commission may postpone the trial or allow the accused to name an active member of the church as a representative.

C. Service of Summons
Before proceeding to trial, the court or commission shall ascertain that its summons has been duly served.

D. Opening Statements
Each party shall be permitted to make a brief opening statement not longer than 15 minutes unless a longer time shall be granted by the court or commission. The prosecutor shall proceed, followed by the accused.

E. Testimony
The witnesses for the prosecution and then those for the accused shall be examined.

A. Exclusion of Prosecutor and the Accused Person
On all questions arising in the progress of a trial, the discussion shall first be between the prosecutor and the accused persons. When they have been heard, they may be required to withdraw from the court until the members deliberate upon and decide the question. The Moderator (or Temporary Moderator) shall announce the court's or commission's decision upon return of the prosecutor and the accused to the courtroom.

B. Closing Argument
Each party shall be permitted to make a brief closing argument not longer than 15 minutes unless a longer time shall be granted by the court. The prosecutor shall proceed, followed by the accused. The prosecutor shall be permitted to close, but total amount of time allocated to each party shall be equal.

C. Deliberations
The roll shall be called, and the members may express their opinions in the case. The prosecutor and the accused may be required to withdraw from the court until the members deliberate upon and decide the question.

D. The Vote
The vote shall be by secret ballot, and all members of the court or commission shall vote "Guilty" or "Not Guilty" on each charge of the indictment. A verdict of guilty shall be rendered only upon a two-thirds majority of the votes cast. The Moderator (or Temporary Moderator) shall announce the court's decision upon return of the prosecutor and the accused to the courtroom.

E. Imposition of Sanctions
Before sanctions are determined, the prosecutor and the accused found guilty shall be given the opportunity to present evidence or argument bearing on the administration of sanctions only.

Thereupon, the court or commission shall proceed to a determination of sanctions.[117] The prosecutor and the accused may be required to withdraw from the court until the members deliberate and determine sanctions. Sanctions may be rendered upon a simple majority of the votes cast. The Moderator shall announce the court's determination of sanctions, which shall be entered upon the records, upon return of prosecutor and the accused to the courtroom.

F. Motion for New Trial
If after the trial new testimony is discovered which the accused believes is important, the accused shall have the right to ask for a new trial. The court shall have the power to grant the request.

10-2 Challenges to the Court
Either party may, for cause hereinafter described, challenge the right of any member to sit in the trial of the case. The question shall be decided by other members of the court. A challenge for cause against a member of the court shall be granted when

A. A member of the court expresses an opinion about the guilt of either party to any person not a member of the court before the conclusion of the trial,

B. A member of the court is absent from any sitting of the trial without the permission of the court, or satisfactory reasons rendered,

C. A member of the court is found

[117] See Proposed chapter 11-2 regarding sanctions.

1. To be related to the accused or other witnesses,

2. To have a personal interest in the result, or

3. To have similar impediment or conflict of interest.

10-2 Professional or Learned Counsel

A. No Paid Counsel

No person serving as counsel shall be permitted to receive compensation for services rendered to either party. However, parties may reimburse counsel for reasonable expenses.

B. Professional or Learned Counsel

In the event either party shall be represented by a person who is a graduate of an accredited school of law, the other party shall be likewise permitted to be represented by learned or professional counsel. However, learned or professional counsel must be a member of the church.[118] A member of the court serving as counsel in the case shall not be allowed to sit in judgment on the case.

10-3 The Record of the Case

A. Importance of the Record

Keeping accurate records of actions for discipline is incumbent upon the Moderator and Clerk of the court or commission both for the history of the case and in the event of an appeal.

B. Contents of the Record

The Clerk or other person designated by the court or commission shall, within thirty days after the trial, make and maintain as part of the permanent records of the court or commission, a complete record of the proceedings, including the charges, the indictment, the answer (if any), all the testimony, whether transcribed or prepared in summary form, and all such acts, orders, and decisions of the court or commission relating to the case including the written ballots evidencing the decision and the determination of sanctions. These documents shall constitute the Record of the Case and should ordinarily be maintained separately from the Minutes of the court or commission.

C. Copies of the Record:

The court or commission shall make and maintain a transcript or record of the proceedings by written or electronic means. Both parties shall be permitted to make copies (by transcript or electronic recording) of the whole proceedings.

D. Transmitting the Record on Appeal

When a case is appealed,[119] the lower court shall transmit the Record of the Case to the higher court with the addition of the notice of appeal. The higher court does not re-try the case but shall render its decision based only on that which is contained in the Record. On the final decision of a case by a higher court, the decision shall be communicated to all lower courts.

1. Authentication of the Record

The records of a court or commission, or any part of them, whether original or transcribed, if regularly authenticated by the Moderator and Clerk, or by either of them, shall be deemed good and sufficient evidence in any other court. Authentication shall be in writing in the following or similar form:

I, _____Clerk [or Moderator] of the _____

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[118] Proposed D.1-2; G.8-3

[119] See Book of Discipline chapter 13 on the process of appeal.

[name of court] do hereby certify that the foregoing are true, correct, and complete copies of the Record in the Case of ____.

Signed: Date:

1. Authentication of Testimony
The testimony taken by one court or commission and regularly authenticated shall be received by every other court as no less valid than if it had been taken by itself.

-- 11 -- DECISIONS FROM A TRIAL – DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS

11-1 Exhortation to Meekness

When any person shall be found guilty of an offense, the court shall proceed with all tenderness and shall deal with its offending brother or sister in the spirit of meekness. The members are exhorted to watch themselves, so that they may avoid temptation.

11-2 Disciplinary Sanctions

A. Disciplinary sanctions which may be administered by church courts or commissions are, in order of severity:

1. Reprimand[120]
2. Suspension
3. Removal from church office
4. Excommunication.

B. If the court finds on trial that the offender is guilty, but the offense may be remedied without hindering the person's ministry, the Court shall take all prudent measures to remedy the offense and administer at least the sanction of Reprimand and record the remedy.

C. Principles for the Administration of Sanctions
The administration of church sanctions shall be suited to the nature of the offense.

1. Private offenses
Sanctions for private offenses should be administered in the presence of the court or commission alone, or in private by one or more members of the court or commission.

2. Public offences
The court or commission has sole discretion regarding the degree of sanction and mode of administration for public offences.

3. Escalation of offences
When a milder sanction fails to reclaim the offender, it may become the duty of the court to proceed to the administration of a more severe sanction.

4. Severity of offenses

[120] This category was formerly "admonition." Scripture directs us to admonish one another. In this *Book of Discipline*, "reprimand" is used for the situation in which admonishment has not been successful and the issue rises to the level of trial and sanction.

If the charge is one of serious immorality or heresy and the offender persists in rebellion, the court or commission may proceed to administer a higher sanction.

11-1 Sanction of Reprimand

A. Reprimand is the formal reproof of an offender by a church court, warning of the offender's guilt and danger, and encouraging the offender to be more careful and watchful in the future.

B. The sanction of reprimand may be administered in private by one or more members of the court if the offense is known only to a few and is not aggravated in character. If the offense is public, the reprimand shall be administered by the Moderator in the presence of the court and may also be announced in public should the court deem it appropriate.

11-2 Sanction of Suspension

A. Suspension is the temporary exclusion of church members from the sacraments and/or from other church ministries or activities.

B. The goal of suspension is to impress upon the offender the evil of the offense and, under God's blessing, to lead the offender to repentance.

C. Suspension may be either indefinite or definite in duration.

1. Suspension should generally be indefinite in duration, continuing until the person suspended gives such evidence of repentance as may warrant its removal.

2. The good of the offender and/or the church may require that the offender be suspended for a definite length of time, even though the person confesses his/her sin and gives evidence of repentance.

D. Regarding church members

Suspension is the temporary exclusion of church members from the sacraments and/or from other church ministries or activities.

E. Regarding Church Officers[121]

Suspension includes exclusion from office and may include exclusion from the sacraments.

F. Regarding Teaching Elders

1. Definite or indefinite suspension shall bar the Teaching Elder from all functions of office and places the Teaching Elder on inactive status with the Presbytery.

2. When a Presbytery suspends a Teaching Elder, the Presbytery has sole discretion as to whether the sanction will include the dissolution of the pastoral relationship.

3. The Presbytery may suspend the Teaching Elder from all ministerial functions without dissolving the pastoral relationship if the court anticipates restoring the offender at a time that does not unduly bring harm to the congregation. In such a case, the court should assist the congregation in supplying a temporary pastor in order to maintain the regular worship of the congregation.

G. Administration of the sanction of suspension

1. The sanction of suspension shall be administered in the presence of the court or commission alone or in open session of the court, as it may deem best, and public announcement thereof shall be at the discretion of the court or commission.

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[121] Church officers are Teaching Elders, Ruling Elders, and Deacons

1. The sanction of definite or indefinite suspension shall be administered by the Moderator of the court or commission in the following or similar words:

   "Whereas you, _____[a Teaching Elder / Ruling Elder / Deacon, / member of the Church] are convicted by sufficient proof [or are guilty by your own confession] of the sin of [name the offense], we the Presbytery [or Session] of [name of the Presbytery or church] in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, do now declare you suspended from the Sacraments of the Church [and from the exercise of your office], until you give satisfactory evidence of repentance."

   To this shall be added such advice or admonition as may be judged necessary, and the whole shall be concluded with prayer that the offender would be restored.

11-2 Sanction of Removal from Office

A. Removal from office is the sanction by which the offender's ordination is permanently revoked, thus removing the offender from the office of Teaching Elder, Ruling Elder, or Deacon without excommunication. Removal from office may or may not be accompanied by the administration of other sanctions.

B. When a Presbytery or General Assembly, if it has assumed jurisdiction,[122] removes a Teaching Elder from office, the pastoral relationship shall be dissolved.

C. When a Presbytery removes a Teaching Elder from office without excommunication, it shall assign the offender to membership at some local church subject to the approval of the Session of that local church.

D. Administration of the Sanction of Removal from Office
   The Moderator of the court or commission shall administer the sanction of removal from office in the following or similar words:

   "Whereas [name], a Teaching Elder of this Presbytery (or a Ruling Elder or Deacon of this Church), has been proved by sufficient evidence to be guilty of the sin of [offense], we, [name of the presbytery or local church] do adjudge you disqualified for the office of Teaching Elder (or Ruling Elder or Deacon), and therefore we do hereby, in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, remove you from the office of Teaching Elder (or Ruling Elder or Deacon) of the church and do prohibit you from exercising any of the functions thereof."

   If the sanction includes suspension or excommunication, the Moderator or Chair shall proceed to say the following or similar words:

   "We do, moreover, by the same authority, suspend you from the Sacraments, and cut you off from the membership and fellowship of the Church."

11-3 Sanction of Excommunication

A. Excommunication is the removal of an offender from the membership and fellowship of the church. Excommunication shall be administered only in cases of offenses aggravated by a continuing refusal to repent.

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[122] See proposed D.3-4 and 3-5.

A. The purpose of excommunication is to maintain the honor of God, to restore the sinner, to remove offense from the church and to remind the church to "not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord" (Hebrews 12:5b).

B. When a Presbytery or General Assembly[123] removes a Teaching Elder from office with excommunication, it should request the Session of a local church to minister to the offender as it would an unbeliever in hope of leading the offender to repentance and eventual admission to membership in the church and the Lord's table.

C. Administration of the Sanction of Excommunication

Excommunication may be administered privately or publicly as the court decides. The Moderator of the court or commission shall make a statement of the steps which have been taken with respect to the offender, and of the decision to cut the offender off from the membership and fellowship of the church. The Moderator shall then show from Matthew 18:15-18 and 1 Corinthians 5:1-5 the authority of the church to cast out unworthy members, and shall explain the nature, use, and consequences of this sanction. The Moderator shall then administer the sanction in the following or similar words:

"_____a member of this Church has been by sufficient proof convicted of the sin of _____and after much admonition and prayer, obstinately refuses to hear the Church and has manifested no evidence of repentance. Therefore, in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, we, the Session of the Church of _____do pronounce you to be excluded from the Sacraments and the fellowship of the Church."

— 12 — REMOVAL OF SANCTIONS

12-1 Court Should Pray for the Offender

After any person has been suspended from the sacraments, it is proper that the Elders of the church should frequently converse with the person as well as pray with and for the person, that it would please God to grant repentance and restoration.

12-2 Restoration to the Sacraments

When the court shall be satisfied as to the reality of the repentance of a suspended offender, that person shall profess repentance either in the presence of the court alone or publicly, and be restored to the sacraments of the church if such be the judgment of the court. Restoration shall be declared in the following or similar words:

"Whereas, you,_____ , have been suspended from the Sacraments of the Church (and/or from the office of Teaching Elder, or Ruling Elder, or Deacon) but have now demonstrated such repentance as satisfies the church, we, the Session (or Presbytery) of _____do hereby, in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, restore you from the said sentence of suspension, and restore you to the full communion of the Church (and the exercise of your said office, and all the functions thereof)."

After which there shall be prayer and thanksgiving.

12-3 Restoration of an Excommunicated Person

A. When an excommunicated person comes to repentance and desires to be readmitted to the membership and fellowship of the church, that person may request restoration from the Session.

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[123] The General Assembly only has authority to remove a Teaching Elder from office if it has assumed jurisdiction under the authority given in proposed D.3-4 and 3-5.

A. The Session shall proceed to restore the excommunicated person if it finds sufficient evidence of sincere repentance. This may be done in the presence of the Session or the congregation as seems best to the Session.

B. If the excommunicated person was a Teaching Elder, the Session may receive him/her into membership and fellowship of the church. The Session shall then report its action to the court that imposed the original sanction.

C. On the day appointed for restoration, the Moderator shall call upon the excommunicated person and propose the following questions:

"Do you, from a deep sense of your great wickedness, freely confess your sins in thus rebelling against God and in refusing to hear His Church?" Answer, "I do."

"Do you acknowledge that you have been in justice and mercy cut off from the communion of the church?" Answer, "I do."

"Do you now voluntarily profess your sincere repentance and sorrow for your sin and rebellion: and do you humbly ask the forgiveness of God and His Church?" Answer, "I do."

"Do you sincerely promise, through divine grace, to live in all humility of mind and carefulness to avoid sin, and to attempt to live a lifestyle that will glorify God our Savior?" Answer, "I do."

Here the Moderator shall give the person being restored a suitable exhortation. Then the Moderator shall pronounce restoration in the following or similar words:

"Whereas you, _____, have been shut out from the membership and fellowship of the Church, but now have demonstrated such repentance as satisfies the Church; in the name and by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ we, the Session of this Church, do declare you restored from the sentence of excommunication formerly pronounced against you, and we do restore you to the membership and fellowship of the Church, that you may be a partaker of all the benefits of the Lord Jesus to your eternal salvation."

After which there shall be prayer and thanksgiving.

12-2 Restoration to Office

A. A Teaching Elder, Ruling Elder, or Deacon suspended from office for scandalous conduct shall not be restored, even on the deepest sorrow for sin, until the officer has demonstrated an exemplary, humble, and edifying lifestyle for a considerable amount of time, which shall be for not less than one year. Any officer suspended must present to the court compelling evidence that the conduct causing that suspension or removal will not occur again.

12-3 Re-election Required for Exercise of Office

A Ruling Elder or Deacon restored to office shall not exercise that office in the church without re-election by the people.

12-4 Restoration of a Suspended Teaching Elder

A. A Teaching Elder suspended indefinitely from office shall not be restored unless there is compelling evidence of repentance and growth to justify restoration. In that event, restoration shall be pronounced only by the court imposing the sanction or with its consent.

B. When the Teaching Elder files an application for restoration with the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery, the application shall be forwarded to the Ministerial Committee for consideration.

1. A motion to restore or not restore may be brought before the Presbytery only by its Ministerial Committee. Should the Ministerial Committee choose to recommend restoration, the Presbytery shall consider the recommendation in executive session.

2. The Teaching Elder seeking restoration and the Ministerial Committee will be provided with the opportunity to address the Presbytery.

3. After addressing the Presbytery, the Teaching Elder seeking restoration shall be excused.

4. All votes concerning Teaching Elder restoration are to be by secret ballot.

5. A 4/5 affirmative vote shall be required for restoration to Office.

6. Restoration may be pronounced only by the court imposing the sanction, or with its consent.

12-2 Transfer of Case to More Convenient Forum

When a person under sanction moves to a place remote from the court issuing the sanction, and desires to profess repentance and obtain restoration, the court may, if it deems it appropriate, transmit a certified copy of its proceedings to the Session (or Presbytery) where the person under sanction resides. The court of the person's residence shall then assume jurisdiction over the case and proceed with it as though it had original jurisdiction.

— 13 — APPEALS

13-1 Definition

An appeal is a request made to a higher court to review a judgment made by a lower court in an action for discipline (cases of heresy, immorality, and/or contempt). An appeal cannot be made to any court other than the next higher court, unless the higher court directs and authorizes that the appeal be heard in another court or by a commission created for the express purpose of hearing the appeal and rendering a decision thereupon.

13-2 The Right to Appeal

A. Only an accused party, found guilty and sanctioned by a lower court, has the right to appeal the lower court's decision to a higher court.

B. The party bringing the appeal shall be known as "Appellant." The party against whom the appeal is taken shall be known as "Appellee."

13-3 Newly Discovered Evidence

A. Newly discovered evidence is evidence that a party did not know, nor should have known, existed during the lower court proceedings.

B. In the prosecution of an appeal, the party seeking to introduce newly discovered evidence shall file a motion with notice to all other parties demonstrating justification for its introduction. Upon approval of the motion, the appellate court shall remand the case to the lower court for a new trial.

13-4 Grounds for Appeal

The grounds for appeal are

A. Any misapplication of the EPC Constitution,

B. Any irregularity in the proceedings of the lower court,

A. Receiving improper evidence or declining to receive proper evidence,

B. Rendering a decision before all the testimony is reasonably heard,

C. Manifestation of prejudice in the case,

D. Mistake or injustice in the judgment or sanction.

13-2 Notice of Appeal

Written notice of appeal shall be filed no later than thirty days after the entry of judgment of the lower court. The filing of the Notice of Appeal with the Clerk of the appellate court places the appeal before that court. A copy of the Notice of Appeal also shall be filed with the lower court from which the appeal is taken.

13-3 Statement of Grounds for Appeal

Written statement of grounds for appeal shall be filed no later than fifteen days after the Notice of Appeal is filed. The statement must state the factual or constitutional bases forming the issues on appeal.

13-4 Filing the Record

Within thirty days after receipt of a Notice of Appeal, it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the lower court to prepare and file with the Clerk of the higher court the Record of the Case.[124]

13-5 Stay of Lower Court Action Pending Appeal

The filing of a Notice of Appeal does not stay the judgment of the lower court. If, however, the sanction is suspension, excommunication, or removal from office, The sanctioned party may, for sufficient reasons provided in writing, petition the higher court to stay the sanction until the case is finally decided. The higher court, in its discretion, may stay the sanction or later modify the stay. In the case that a stay is imposed or later modified, the higher court will notify the lower court. The lower court will confirm receipt of the stay and its compliance with it.

13-6 Procedures on Appeal

After a higher court has decided that an appeal is in order and should be considered, the following procedures shall be followed:

A. The court shall read the complete Record of the Case as submitted by the lower court. The higher court shall provide the Record to the Appellant. Before sending the Record to the Appellant, the higher court may, at its discretion, redact the Record in order to protect confidential or sensitive information that is not relevant to the appeal.

B. The Appellant shall file a written statement which sets forth the issues on appeal and the arguments in support thereof within thirty days of the receipt of the Record of the Case by the higher court. In addition, a copy of the written statement shall be delivered to the Appellee. Appellant shall also provide to the higher court a certificate of delivery of its written statement to the Appellee.

C. The Appellee may file a written response within fifteen days of the receipt by the higher court of the Appellant's written statement. In addition, a copy of the written response shall be delivered to the Appellant. Appellee shall also provide to the higher court a certificate of delivery of its written response to the appellant.

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[124] See Proposed D.10-4

A. The Appellant may file a written reply to the appellee's written response within fifteen days of the receipt by the higher court of the Appellee's written response, if any. In addition, a copy of the written reply shall be delivered to the appellee. Appellant shall also provide to the higher court a certificate of delivery of its written reply to the Appellee.

B. The Appellant or Appellee may file a written request for oral argument, explaining why it is necessary and should be permitted. In response to such a request, or at its own discretion, the Higher Court may allow oral argument. If oral argument is allowed, the court will advise both parties of the date, time and place of oral argument, and the time allotted to each party.

In the alternative, the higher court may determine the issues on the appeal based solely on the Record of the Case, the written statements, responses, and replies.

C. In every case in which oral argument is heard, a record of the oral argument shall be kept. The recording of the oral argument may be transcribed and the recording or copy of the transcription maintained by the Stated Clerk of the higher court. In the case of an appeal to the next higher court, a party may request a copy of the transcript. The cost of transcription shall be borne by the requesting party.

D. The members of the higher court, in their deliberations, shall express their opinions, deliberate upon and vote on the issues raised.

E. The vote shall be taken on each ground for appeal set forth in the statement[125] filed in this form: "Shall this ground for appeal be sustained?"

13-2 Decision on Appeal

A. The higher court may

1. Confirm or reverse, in whole or in part, the judgment of the lower court,

2. Remand the case to the lower court for the purpose of amending the Record of the Case, should it appear incorrect or defective,

3. Remand the case to the lower court with instructions.

B. If the higher court deems it wise, it may also render a written opinion which shall become a part of the Record of the Case.

C. Any and all persons, including members of the higher court who were involved with, have intimate knowledge of, or otherwise participated in the underlying judgment of the lower court, are precluded from involvement with the higher court in its determination of the issues on appeal.

13-3 Counsel

Both parties shall have the right of counsel.[126]

13-4 Abandonment of Appeal

Absent extenuating circumstances made known to the higher court beforehand, the Appellant shall be deemed to have abandoned the appeal if the Appellant does not comply with the procedures set forth above. In such cases, the judgment of the lower court will stand, unless the higher court determines that the subject matter of the appeal is so serious that the peace and purity of the church is at stake. In such a case, the higher court, in its discretion, may nonetheless decide the appeal.

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[125] See Proposed D.13-6.

[126] See Proposed D.10-3

13-1 Conduct of the Parties

If a member of either party willfully fails to comply with these rules or demonstrates a litigious or otherwise unchristian attitude in the appeal process, that person may be subject to appropriate discipline by the higher court.

13-2 Failure to File the Record

If the Clerk of a lower court neglects or willfully fails to file the Record of the Case, or any part of it, the Clerk may be subject to appropriate discipline by the higher court. Until the complete Record of the Case is filed with the higher court, the judgment of the lower court may be stayed at the discretion of the higher court.

If the lower court shall file a portion of the record by electronic means, the Appellant shall have the right to prepare a written transcript of it at the Appellant's expense.

— 14 — COMPLAINTS

14-1 Complaint Defined

A. A Complaint is a written contention signed by an eligible member[127] [128] to a higher court challenging some non-judicial[129] act or decision made by the lower court and seeking a remedy.

B. A Complaint may be filed with the higher court only after attempts to obtain a remedy at the lower court have been unsuccessful.[130]

14-2 Eligibility to File a Complaint

A. It is the right of any member on the active roll of the church to file a Complaint against any act or decision of a Session to whom the member is subject provided the Complainant is not under sanctions.

B. It is the right of any Teaching or Ruling Elder to file a Complaint against an act or decision taken by a Presbytery provided that

1. The Teaching Elder is an active or Associate member of the Presbytery,
2. The Ruling Elder
   a) Was a duly elected Commissioner at the meeting at which the action was taken or the decision was made, or
   b) Is in active service on the Session of a church in the Presbytery, provided the Ruling Elder, the Session, or the church was substantially impacted by the act or decision

C. A Complaint shall only be made to the next higher court, except with the consent of that court.

14-3 Initiation of Complaint

A Complaint initiates a case against a court in the following manner:

A. A complaint shall only be made when the action or decision of the court is alleged to be procedurally irregular and/or in clear violation of the EPC Constitution.

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[127] See eligibility requirements in Proposed D.14-2.

[128] A person filing a complaint should use the appropriate "Form for Discipline." A signed copy transmitted electronically is considered a "written contention."

[129] Judicial decisions may be appealed following the processes in Proposed D.13.

[130] See proposed **D**.14-6.

A. A complaint shall set forth with particularity all of the facts and reasons why the action or decision of the court is being challenged. This includes reference to the specific provisions of the EPC Constitution, or any applicable bylaws or rules alleged to have been violated.

B. A complaint shall state the specific remedy being sought.

C. Once a complaint has been filed, the provisions for *ex parte* communications apply[131]

14-2 Designation of the Parties

The party filing the complaint shall be designated as the "Complainant." The court shall be designated as the "Respondent," even if the action or decision being challenged is the action or decision of a commission appointed by the court.

14-3 Filing a Complaint

A. A complaint challenging an act or decision of a court or a commission appointed by the court shall be filed with the Clerk of the next higher court.
   1. A complaint challenging an act or decision taken by a Session or by its duly appointed commission shall be commenced by filing a complaint with the Presbytery in which the church is located or is otherwise aligned.

   2. A complaint challenging an act or decision taken by a Presbytery, or by its duly appointed commission, shall be commenced by filing a complaint with the General Assembly.

B. A copy of the complaint shall be served upon the lower court by providing its Clerk with a copy thereof at the same time that the complaint is filed with the Clerk of the next higher court.

14-4 Time Period for Filing a Complaint

A. A complaint may be filed with the next higher court only after the eligible member of the church or court[132] has attempted to resolve the issue forming the basis for the complaint with the lower court and
   1. The response of the lower court has not satisfied the concern of the member, or

   2. The lower court has failed to respond by the close of its next stated meeting.

B. A Complaint shall be filed with the next higher court no later than thirty days after the lower court's response or failure to respond.

C. Exceptions to this time period may be allowed in cases when
   1. The Complainant legitimately had no knowledge of the lower court action or decision within the thirty-day period, or

   2. The Complainant petitions the higher court to file an untimely complaint to avoid a miscarriage of justice.

   3. Decisions on such exceptions are solely within the discretion of the higher court.

14-5 Stay Pending Hearing on the Complaint

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[131] See proposed chapter 6 for provisions regarding *ex pate* communications.

[132] See proposed D.14-2B for eligibility requirements

A. Reception of the complaint by the higher court temporarily stays the action of the lower court. If the higher court determines that the complaint is properly filed, the stay continues until the matter is finally decided.

B. If the higher court determines that the complaint is not properly filed, the stay will ordinarily be lifted. If the matter concerns the purity or peace of the church, the court may, either on its own motion or in response to an application filed by a party to the action and for sufficient reasons duly recorded, stay the action of the lower court until the case is finally decided.

14-2 Court Procedures upon the Filing of a Complaint

A. When a Complaint is filed with the higher court, the court shall determine whether the Complaint cites constitutional or procedural grounds[133] on which relief may be granted. If the court determines the Complaint does not cite such grounds on which relief may be granted, it may

1. Dismiss the Complaint in its entirety,

2. Strike portions of the Complaint and proceed forward, or

3. Order the Complainant to provide a more specific statement of the grounds on which relief may be granted.

B. Abuse of Process

If the court determines in good faith that the filing of a complaint is a clear abuse of process, the court may dismiss the complaint. To constitute a clear abuse of process, the complaint must be

1. Frivolous on its face,

2. Substantially duplicates a prior complaint that has been finally decided,

3. Part of a demonstrated pattern of repetitive, unmeritorious filings; or

4. Primarily filed for a purpose other than obtaining the relief requested.

The court shall state the specific ground(s) for its determination, including the basis on which the complaint constitutes a clear abuse of process. Any such dismissal shall itself be subject to complaint to the next higher court, where applicable.

C. When a Complaint is filed with the next higher court and it is determined by the court that the Complaint cites constitutional or procedural grounds on which relief may be granted, the higher court has authority

1. To void the whole or any part of the lower court action against which the complaint has been made,

2. To send the matter back to the lower court with instructions for further consideration or action,

3. To direct the lower court to appoint one or more representatives to answer the Complaint against it, or

4. To direct the appointed representative(s) to file an answer to the Complaint no later than thirty days from the order of the higher court.
   a) The lower court may request a one-time extension of fifteen days to file its answer.
   b) The answer shall respond to each allegation in the Complaint and shall set forth with specificity all defenses on which the lower court relies.

[133] See proposed D.14-3A

A. The Record of the Case
The lower court shall file the record of the case concurrently with its answer to the complaint. The Record of the Case shall consist of any and all documents in the lower court's possession relating to the complaint made against it. In every case a full record shall be made, and a copy of it shall be sent to the Complainant. If the Complainant, on motion duly filed, contends that the Record is incomplete or incorrect, the Complainant may file a proposed supplement to the Record of the Case within fifteen days of the filing of the Record of the Case.

B. Reviewing the Record
Upon receipt of the full and complete record of the case as determined by the higher court, the higher court shall then review the Record in its entirety, except any part of it that may be omitted with the mutual consent of both parties and the higher court.

C. The higher court may seek clarification of matters or direct questions to the Complainant and/or Respondent in writing.

D. Oral Argument and Notice of Hearing
The higher court may permit oral argument. If the higher court determines oral argument will be allowed, it shall provide both parties with reasonable notice of the time and place of the hearing on the complaint. This notice may be provided in person or by other means establishing proof of service.

E. If Oral Argument is allowed, either party may file a written summary of their Argument with the higher court no later than fifteen days before the date of the hearing. The Complainant shall have the right of opening and closing the argument.

F. Deliberations of the Court
Upon conclusion of the arguments, the members of the higher court shall convene in private, all members shall be given an opportunity to express their opinions, deliberate upon, and vote on the question.

14-2 Voting upon a Complaint

A. Specification of the vote
In voting upon a complaint, the vote shall be either to sustain, to sustain in part, or not to sustain.

B. Effect of a vote to sustain or not to sustain
1. A vote to sustain shall be to sustain each and all of the items or counts of the complaint. A vote not to sustain shall be to deny the relief sought by each count of the complaint.

2. A vote to sustain in part shall be to sustain one or more specific items or counts of the complaint.

C. A majority vote of those members of the court present is required to sustain, not to sustain, or to sustain in part the counts of the complaint.

D. Written opinion
The court may issue a written opinion explaining its decision, which shall become part of the Record of the Case in the lower court.

E. Right to Vote

No member of the lower court who participated in the action or decision made the basis of the complaint shall hear, deliberate upon, or vote on the allegations of the complaint being heard by the next higher court.

14-1 Abandonment of Complaint

If a Complainant does not appear before the higher court in person at the time set for the hearing, the complaint shall be considered abandoned. In such cases, the act or decision of the lower court will stand, unless the Complainant can provide the court with a satisfactory explanation for failure to appear or the higher court chooses to act upon the complaint in the interests of the Church.

14-12 Unchristian Attitude

If any party willfully fails to comply with these rules or demonstrates a litigious or otherwise unchristian attitude, that party may be subject to appropriate discipline by the higher court.

14-13 Failure to File the Record

A. If a lower court neglects to file the Record of the Case or any part of it, to the harm of the Complainant, it may receive a proper rebuke from the higher court.

B. If the lower court files a portion of the record by electronic means, the Complainant shall have the right to prepare a written transcript of it at the Complainant's expense.

— 15 — DISSENT AND PROTEST

15-1 Dissent

A dissent is a statement on the record by members of a minority of a court objecting to what they believe to be an ill-advised or erroneous act or decision of a court. Any expression of dissent shall be made before adjournment of the meeting and a written statement for the reasons should be sent to the Clerk of the court within 30 days

15-2 Protest

A protest is a more solemn and formal statement on the record by members of a minority of a court, strenuously objecting to what they believe to be an ill-advised or erroneous act or decision of a court. Any expression of protest shall be made before adjournment of the meeting and a written statement for the reasons should be sent to the clerk of the court within 30 days.

15-3 Record of Protest or Dissent

If a protest or dissent contains temperate language and is respectful to the court, it shall be placed in the Record of the court. If the court believes it is necessary, it may respond to the protest or the dissent. The matter shall be ended unless the persons protesting obtain permission to withdraw or amend their protest.

15-4 Right to Vote Required

None can join in a dissent or protest against a decision of any court except those who had a right to vote in the case.

CHURCH HEALTH LEADERSHIP TEAM

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-church-health-leadership-team/

The Church Health Leadership Team (CHLT) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Facilitated 35 Refocus/Vitality Seminars across the country.
2. Hosted 20 Evangelism Workshops, training approximately 700 people in building an evangelistic culture using the "3 Circles" evangelism tool.
3. Conducted three Transitional Pastor training events that trained 45 people
4. Newly engaged 73 churches, representing ~4,000 people, with our Church Health resources.
5. In partnership with Grove City College's Center for Rural Ministry, worked with Effective Biblical Leadership to pilot a Rural Ministry Cohort.
6. In partnership with Knox Theological Seminary, worked with Effective Biblical Leadership to develop a program for Certification in Commissioned Pastoring.
7. Re-established a working relationship with Alpha USA, a ministry that equips churches to host conversations that explore the basics of the Christian faith in an accessible, discussion-based format.
8. Created the Church Health Tools resource repository on the EPC website, providing churches with a centralized collection of practical church health and revitalization resources; special thanks to Ritchey Cable for his work in making this available. https://epconnect.org/churchhealthtools/
9. Filmed the Transitional Pastor training content to create opportunities for broader equipping of transitional pastors & churches.

Recommendations

The Church Health Team has no recommendations to present to the 46th General Assembly.

Work of the Committee

The Church Health Team continues to build on the foundation of the last several years, coming alongside our 600+ churches to help them become more inwardly strong & outwardly focused. Our sixteen Church Health Coordinators have been serving each of our presbyteries specifically in the areas of Transitional Pastoring, evangelism training, pastor search assistance, and the Refocus vitality process. A deep-dive into the specifics of that work can be found in the attached report.

While continuing this work, our team has also been engaged in a deliberate season of reflection and evaluation as relates to the Kingdom fruitfulness of our efforts. In an effort to clarify the missional markers of healthy EPC churches, we've entered into some listening work in our presbyteries and even at this current General Assembly. Out of this listening we're prayerfully

planning to make use of these missional markers to deeply evaluate & refine our Refocus process and related tools.

This is all to say, we continue to learn about how to best accompany our churches and leaders toward bearing a faithful Great Commission witness in their communities!

Recommendations (Detailed)

The Church Health Team has no recommendations to present to the 46th General Assembly.

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Meeting Dates

July 9, 2025: Video Conference
August 13, 2025: Video Conference
September 10, 2025: Video Conference
October 1, 2025: Video Conference
November 19, 2025: Video Conference
December 10, 2025: Video Conference
January 14, 2026: Video Conference
February 3-5, 2026: Office of the General Assembly, Orlando, FL
February 11, 2026: Video Conference
March 4, 2026: Video Conference
April 8, 2026: Video Conference
May 13, 2026: Video Conference
June 13, 2026: Greenwood Community Church, Greenwood Village, CO

Respectfully submitted,

Marc de Jeu, National Director of Church Health
June 2026

CHURCH HEALTH APPENDIX 1: 2025 ANNUAL REPORT TO LILLY ENDOWMENTS INC.

Evangelical Presbyterian Church
Grant Number 2023 2274

Project Aims and Purposes

The purpose of this proposed program is to fully deploy the Evangelical Presbyterian Church's Church Health methods and structure, transforming the entire denomination from traditional inward focused congregations to evangelistic, outward facing vibrant congregations with a new vision and mission that starts with serving their local communities.

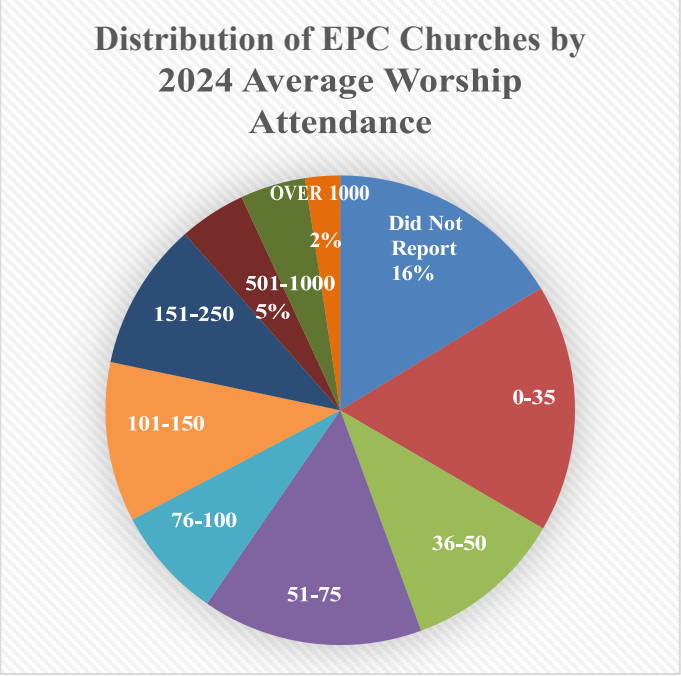
Re-vitalization of local churches using Church Health principles and methods is essential to fulfilling our mission in the future. In addition to and tightly integrated with Church Health methods are Evangelism thrusts and Transitional Pastors. These three initiatives form a coherent, integrated and effective method for transforming a church's vision and mission into one that serves its local community through a plethora of ministry opportunities.

In the following sections we address the identified topics in two ways. First, we provide a top-level response from the program management perspective. We usually follow this 1,000 foot response with illustrative quotes from specific church health coordinators and other leaders who are at the front lines of ministry and provide an up-close perspective.

Grant Activities

<u>Participating Congregations.</u> Describe the congregations participating in your program. What are their activities? Why are they a good fit for your program?

Being a program catering to the entire EPC denomination, our participating congregations range from large urban centers of worship to small, struggling country churches. The accompanying figure illustrates the denomination's diversity. Instead of discussing the denomination in terms of membership, we express its diversity in terms of actual average weekly attendance. We believe this metric provides a more accurate picture of a crucial aspect of the EPC. Notably, there has been an increase in average attendance over the past year. While it's tempting to attribute this increase to the improvements from the Church Health programs, part of this rise is likely due to a recovery from the Covid depression. About 60 congregations encompassing nearly 4000 members committed to our church health programs this year.



Among the various sizes of congregations, we observed that medium-sized and smaller ones tend to be more receptive and responsive to the program. This could be attributed to their recognition of the necessity to redefine their mission and vision to remain relevant and sustainable. They comprehend that the primary avenue for fostering a thriving and vibrant community lies in extending their reach beyond their own boundaries, serving the community in return. They find a suitable fit for our program when they acknowledge the changes in the world and the fact that people are no longer flocking to their doors as they did during the era of the attractional model in the church community.

A second group of congregations that would be a good fit for our program are those that have recently lost a pastor due to retirement, transfer, or any other reason. These congregations typically seek a new pastor immediately. We've found that employing a transitional pastor trained in our methods of church health can effectively guide the congregation over a year or so to develop a better understanding of their current or evolving vision and mission. Once this mission and vision are clearly defined, the transitional pastor can more effectively lead the congregation in finding a pastor who aligns with the new role. Consequently, candidate pastors can better understand the congregation to determine if a call is a suitable fit. At any given time, approximately ten percent of our member congregations are in pastoral transition. Of these, around seventy congregations choose to utilize the services of a Transitional Pastor.

Emerging third groups of congregations are dying congregations being replanted with a completely new vision and mission, or new churches being planted in dying neighborhoods with vacant facilities. These new congregations will be discussed in more detail later.

From the Presbytery of the Alleghenies: The eight congregations currently involved in revitalization work vary widely. Most of these churches are small churches struggling with remaining viable. They are working hard to keep their doors open and the church functioning. They are a great fit for our program because they need to revitalize and re-discover how they can bless their community with the good news and not just wait until they have to close their doors.

From the Presbytery of the SouthWest: I worked with four different congregation in 2025. Two are mid-sized or family-sized congregations while the other two are around 75 members. I worked with three congregations in their revitalization process including self-assessments, Refocus Seminars, establishing vision teams, coaching vision teams, helping churches develop an evangelistic culture, and aligning the structure and people of the congregation in the new vision.

<u>Activities.</u> What key activities did you undertake in the last year? How do these activities advance the key aims to help congregations thrive by:

1) **Adapting to their changing social and cultural contexts**
2) **Refining their missions and values**
3) **Drawing on Christian practices.**

Having spent the first year of the grant building the infrastructure of the Church Health Team across all 16 Presbyteries, the second year has focused on deepening the integration of the Church Health Team into the congregations to drive meaningful change. The first year primarily concentrated on achieving “low-hanging fruit,” particularly in the area of training. This past year has been dedicated to maturing congregations from a learning environment to a practical one. This maturation process involves implementing our three key elements and activities: Church Health Refocus seminars, training for Transitional Pastors, and evangelism training. This year’s report extensively references church health coaches and transitional pastors. While these individuals do not receive financial sponsorship from this grant, they greatly benefit from the training, encouragement, and guidance provided by the 16 Presbytery Church Health Coordinators and the Transitional Pastor Director, who receive a monthly stipend from the grant.

Refocus. Our Refocus Seminars lead congregational leaders through a many months long process developing a new mission and vision that turns the focus of the congregation and its activities from an inward direction to and outward direction. We conducted over 35 seminars with local churches with an attendance of over 1000 people. These workshops took place across the U.S., sometimes with a single congregation, sometimes with multiple congregations present. The seminars typically were a full day long. Following the seminars the congregational leaders would work with their pastor, a coach or a transitional pastor to turn the discussions of the day into new mission and vision statements. The workshops serve as a starting point upon which detailed structural alignment and people alignment follow as the concepts matured and the congregation more purposely engaged with the community. Once workshop is completed our coordinators and coaches continue to work with the congregations for up to several years to bring about a cultural change.

Transitional Pastor Training.

We conduct three or four Transitional Pastor training events annually. In 2025, these events took place in Portland, Oregon; Tampa, Florida; and Mechanicsville, Virginia.

Approximately 45 Elders including about 25 Teaching Elders participated in these seminars. Recognizing the broader value of this training beyond transitional pastors, our participants have expanded to include installed pastors and ruling elders. Additionally, we offer “Viability Assessment and the Four Options Seminars” when requested for congregations facing decline and unable to find a meaningful path to restore missional vitality.

Our training attracts participants from various denominations, including pastors from the PCA and ECO. To make this training opportunity more cost-effective, we are developing a 15-20 module set of online training tools in collaboration with Knox Seminary. This expansion aims to strengthen our relationship with them in online training for both regular pastors and Commissioned Pastors (Ruling Elders serving as pastors).

However, our primary objective in transitional pastoring is not merely to impart knowledge to pastors. The Church Health Leadership Team, Church Health Coordinators, and Church Health

Coaches provide ongoing support to trained transitional pastors as they implement church health processes in specific churches. This support guides them in transitioning to serve their local communities effectively.

From a transitional pastor in the MidWest Presbytery. *Having a coach walk with me through this wonderful, challenging moment in a church's life has given me greater clarity in each decision and a deeper confidence along the way as I serve them. Receiving my coach's deep experience, wisdom and spiritual sensitivity has been a highlight of my ministry. We're not meant to do this alone—and it's amazing when we do it together: To have support and counsel as I need it helps me to truly be a non-anxious presence in an anxiety-producing time. My satisfaction in my sense of God's leading and purpose in this work and my ability to continue to do this work is made much richer and more certain with someone who's been there.*

Evangelism Training.

One significant change in the past year is that congregations are shifting their focus from basic evangelism training to exploring the "what next" questions. They are seeking the subsequent steps to transform an activity into something more substantial. The coordinators conducted about 20 training sessions with about 700 people in attendance. Additional training is conducted by the congregations as they become experienced in evangelism.

Christian Practices. The entire purpose of the Refocus revitalization is to employ Christian practices to guide the church towards a more comprehensive path of following Jesus, encompassing a mission with him. As churches progress through the revitalization process, they establish a vision team that initiates discussions on how God invites the congregation to collaborate with him in reaching their community. This vision team subsequently recruits a prayer team that prays for God's guidance and direction as they convene and discern God's call on their church. In instances where a transitional pastor is able to lead the process, preaching and reading Scripture play a crucial role in the revitalization process and the spiritual development of the church.

Over the past year, we have increasingly recognized the opportunity to acknowledge and respond to changes in our community and culture. We are addressing this in two ways. Our presbyteries are actively utilizing the "Know Your Community" reports provided by Church Answers. In fact, some presbyteries are incorporating these reports into their meetings to train their teaching and ruling elders on how to effectively utilize them to comprehend the changes in their local communities and prepare for their impact. These reports highlight various economic, social, and relational factors surrounding their churches, frequently revealing that the neighborhood has undergone significant shifts in terms of attitudes, needs, and resources. Armed with this new information, individual congregations can now better plan their engagement with their communities, shifting their focus outward rather than inward.

A second significant shift lies in our approach to addressing dying churches and communities. We've developed a set of four options for churches facing uncertainty about their viability: merging, adoption, revitalizing, or closing. Additionally, we've introduced a new option for

churches with questionable viability: replanting. Many small, declining churches still possess facilities and a few dedicated members who can sponsor a new church plant with a distinct mission and vision. This strategy is reserved for churches experiencing a terminal decline, those nearing the “Close, Bless, and Celebrate” scenario. Replanting is a more radical intervention that necessitates a complete transformation in culture, leadership, and mission, often involving the merging of a planting team with the existing congregation. This intensive, pastor-driven work is yielding our most profound insights.

Learning community: Describe the program’s congregational learning community. How have congregations interacted with one another? What insights have congregations learned? What challenges or opportunities have emerged through the learning community?

Our Learning community is comprised of participating churches, Transitional Pastors, their coaches, the National Church Health Leadership Team, presbytery Church Health Coordinators and our ministry partners at **Vital Church** and **Flourish**.

Several of our presbyteries have increased congregational interaction by including the Church Health topic as a regular item at presbytery meetings. Sometimes this consists of specific training in church health topics, sometimes it is shared what different congregations learned with each other. One item that congregations are sharing is how to reach out into their community in new and different ways.

Challenges and Opportunities

The biggest challenge is a congregation’s resistance to change. Getting congregations to set sail on a journey that they don’t know will work is hard! They want to stay where they are comfortable, even if they know it eventually leads to a decline in their community life. Changing the script from church centric to neighborhood centric is as much a change in mental thinking as it is the physical or programmatic changes.

This past year, we’ve adopted a different approach to this challenge. When we establish a new church or replant an existing one, we’re focused on creating outward-facing cultures. This means we won’t have to overhaul the existing culture; instead, we’ll capitalize on the community’s service needs from the outset. While we’ll continue working to change the culture in established churches, this approach fundamentally alters our approach to church planting and replanting. In this process, we differentiate between traditional church revitalization efforts and full-scale replanting. Recognizing that one-size-fits-all isn’t feasible, we’re developing a dual-track strategy.

Traditional Coaching and Revitalization: This strategy is most effective for churches that have recently plateaued or are only in the early stages of decline. These churches still have vital signs, a financial base, and leadership willing to make incremental changes. In such cases, coaching is most beneficial for refining programs, developing leaders, and increasing the church’s missional focus.

Church replanting: This strategy is reserved for churches facing a terminal decline—those nearing the “Close, Bless, and Celebrate” scenario. Replanting is a more radical intervention that requires a complete change in the church’s culture, leadership, and mission. Often, this involves merging a planting team with the remnant congregation.

Planning meeting of Philly Metro Mission Team

The second approach we employ is through the establishment of classical church plants, albeit with a few unique twists. One notable example is the newly formed Philly Metro Mission, which is actively learning how to strategically collaborate with or reacquire declining churches situated in sacred spaces near colleges and universities. The objective is to establish Hub Churches that serve as resources and training centers for missional endeavors within the surrounding region. Occasionally, this involves repurposing historic church buildings or commercial spaces for commercial ventures or private school purposes, thereby generating a positive and sustainable cash flow. This approach simultaneously addresses urban challenges such as inadequate public education and the absence of a stable, localized parish model. At the core of this strategy lies the commitment to ministering to the local community.

The Barna Group has highlighted several other challenges in his State of the Church report. They contrast the current cultural climate of anxiety and fear with one of hope and love. This is particularly evident in suburban churches, where they are striving to comprehend their neighborhood and envision their future as a worshipping community. Much of this fear arises from a lack of a robust missional identity and a realistic assessment of their congregation’s health. Traditional church health indicators, such as membership, attendance, and giving, often serve as lagging indicators. These measures fail to accurately reflect the true health of the church or its impact on the community it serves. To address this, we have partnered with Rev. Josh Hayden, a prominent thinker who identifies true missional markers for churches. These markers will guide churches in their transformative journey through discipleship, prioritizing the well-being of their neighbors.

Some of the challenges we face include the fact that many of the churches are small and may feel inadequate to make mistakes. Additionally, we’ve discovered that leadership transitions can be pivotal moments when the path toward revitalization is often overlooked, such as when a new pastor is appointed and installed after a transitional pastor. To address these challenges, we’re introducing a couple of options to maintain momentum for revitalization. One option is to

retain the transitional pastor as a coach after the new pastor is installed. Another option is to bring in a church coach to work alongside the transitional pastor for the initial phase.

Resources: What resources are you using or creating to support congregations? What resources are most effective?

We have a range of assessments, including the SWOT analysis, life cycle analysis, missional posture survey, leadership assessment, and others. These tools help congregations and their leadership gain a clear understanding of their current state and identity. Among these, the life cycle analysis stands out as one of the most effective assessment tools. It empowers congregations to conduct honest self-assessments. When conducted in a large group setting, it facilitates reflection on the congregation's current state with the leadership, fostering a learning environment. Once they identify their current situation, they often begin envisioning what it would be like to embrace a more faith-inspired approach to church.

One congregation utilized the "Know Your Community" tool to uncover that 70 percent of their community belonged to a specific demographic group, commonly referred to as the "tapestry segment." This revelation prompted a shift in their outreach efforts towards this group, which had been significantly underrepresented within the congregation.

Leadership: Who are the key leaders of your program? How is their work progressing? In what ways are they changing, growing, or learning through their engagement in this program? Is leadership emerging in unforeseen places?

Over the past year, we've witnessed a significant transition of leadership within our organization. Rev. Dr. Robert Stauffer, the EPC National Director of Church Health and Director of this Lilly Grant activity, gracefully stepped into retirement. He was succeeded by Rev. Dr. Marc de Jeu. Similarly, Rev. Dr. William Rasch, the Director of Transitional Pastors, retired and was replaced by Rev. Bill MacDonald. These transitions, anticipated and planned with a six-month overlap, ensured a seamless transition and maintained momentum. Additionally, several members of the National Church Health Leadership team underwent staggered changes, further sustaining momentum. These changes bring in a new, younger team that effectively builds upon the foundational principles of church health established by the retiring leaders. Furthermore, we've welcomed new coaches who play a crucial role in supporting both the transitional pastors and the congregation undergoing revitalization. Consequently, these changes have led to the emergence of several new leaders at the church health leadership team and presbytery levels who have introduced innovative ideas to effectively challenge our congregation to extend its reach and serve our communities.

From a transitional pastor. "Having a coach walk with me through this wonderful, challenging moment in a church's life has given me greater clarity with each decision and fuller satisfaction all along the way. Receiving wisdom and sensitivity from my coach's experience has been a highlight of my ministry. We're not meant to do this alone - and it's amazing when we do it together!"

Partners: Who are your partners beyond your own institution? Describe how your partnership relationships are developing and working.

We have several partners who address different aspects of transforming congregations. Family Church in Florida offers an evangelism model and training programs. Vital Church Ministries and Interim Pastor Ministries (IPM) collaborate with us and frequently provide transitional pastors in geographic areas where EPC lacks sufficient internal resources. The ECO (Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians) works closely with us, sharing training and pastoral leadership. Additionally, we have established a new relationship with Knox Theological Seminary for online training for Commissioned Pastors, with the EPC providing modules on church health. Lastly, we have renewed our relationship with Alpha to provide resources for a more culturally appropriate "front porch" to the local community.

Reflection

Stories: Share a story or two about something that illustrates the program's progress toward its aims. The story may be about an important event, activity, or people involved in your program.

Stories: During our second year under this grant, we began to observe significant progress in transforming our congregations from inward-focused to outward-oriented, enabling them to serve their communities effectively. Here are a few notable examples of this progress:

From the Presbytery of the Southwest. Hope Church in Folsom made a bold declaration during the Missional Posture Survey. They expressed their desire to remain open and active, rather than closing their doors. Instead, they felt a divine calling to revitalize their church. They envisioned developing innovative outreach tools, identifying the specific groups or individuals God is calling them to reach, and ultimately calling a new pastor to guide and empower them in fulfilling their mission.

From the Presbytery of the Alleghenies. We had a church with an aging congregation and only a few young families. After going through Refocus, the congregation decided to minister a school. There were several setbacks along the way, and they have scaled back their original programming due to overextending themselves. Today, because of their commitment to the school, the congregation has largely changed, with more young families present. These families seem to have come and stayed not directly because of their work in the school, but because of their commitment to helping children flourish and wanting their families to be in such a place.

From the Presbytery of the East. For years, Garwood Presbyterian Church maintained a quiet and faithful partnership with Gateway Pregnancy Center (GPC) in Elizabeth as a missionary partner. GPC is a vital inner-city ministry, one of the few Christian crisis pregnancy centers in the state, dedicated to guiding men and women facing crisis pregnancies toward life through prayer, evangelism, and practical assistance. However, GPC faced a significant decline in both volunteer support and church engagement, leading to the closure of two locations and severely jeopardizing its operations. During this challenging time, the Holy Spirit was working within

Garwood Presbyterian Church, evident in the arrival of several Spanish-speaking families to the congregation.

This unexpected internal shift served as the catalyst for an external commitment. Recognizing GPC's struggles and the changing cultural landscape within its own community, Garwood made a decisive move toward Gospel service.

The church's transformation was evident in its actions. They offered their building as a dedicated training space for GPC volunteers. Several faithful church members committed to supporting GPC operations for multiple days a week. The pastor stepped in to provide critical leadership and strategic support for GPC's necessary restructuring and revitalization.

What began as emergency aid has blossomed into a profound vision. By God's grace, Garwood Presbyterian Church is moving beyond a supportive partnership; the church is actively adopting and absorbing this entire ministry. This commitment will significantly enhance GPC's financial stability and provide a focused vision aimed specifically at ministering to immigrant and

Spanish-speaking families in the Elizabeth area, approximately 20 minutes from Garwood.

This journey is culminating in a formal, mission-defining commitment. In September 2026, Garwood Presbyterian Church will assume full leadership and operational control of GPC. This is more than a management shift; it demonstrates how the Church Health process creates space for God's work. It brings together a newly energized congregation with a dying ministry, connects new Spanish-speaking members with a mission field just fifteen minutes away, and results in a vibrant, outward-facing church genuinely fulfilling the Great Commission as a passionate servant to its local community.

<u>From the Presbytery of the Coastal Mid-Atlantic.</u> After leading two workshops with one church, they took the initiative to start two outwardly-focused projects in their community. One to serve the parents of the preschool that meets in their building, and the other to adopt a neighborhood near the church.

<u>Accomplishments:</u> What were the program's most important accomplishments in the last year? Identify two or three. What discoveries or insights did you make? What surprises you?

The most significant achievement of the past year has been the successful transition to a new leadership team.

We made substantial progress in training for Commissioned Pastors (Ruling Elders without an M.Div) by integrating Church Health principles into a new program jointly developed by Knox Theological Seminary and the EPC. This online program will commence in January 2026. As Commissioned Pastors and bi/co-vocational pastors assume a more prominent role in our congregation, this program provides an additional avenue to address the congregation's need to cultivate an outward-facing, community-serving culture.

We continue to be surprised at how challenging it is to have congregations embrace the concept of serving their community. When they do, the results are amazing.

Lessons: What lessons from this past year might be worth sharing with others?

In transforming congregations to an outward-facing stance, we've discovered that much more coaching is needed from Church Health Coordinators and Coaches. Instead of viewing a training session on revitalization or evangelism as a means of achieving change, it's crucial to engage in direct, long-term work with the congregation. Consequently, we're focusing coordinators on viewing themselves not just as visiting expert consultants, although they are, but as individuals called alongside the congregation on a regular, encouraging basis. This approach allows them to work closely with the congregation, helping them discover their unique calling and purpose.

We must also discover innovative approaches to ensure a smooth transition from the transitional pastor to the installed pastor, thereby maintaining the momentum of revitalization efforts. Even during the Refocus phase, there are frequently instances where unmet expectations and inadequate handoffs hinder progress.

Modifications: What program modifications have you implemented in the past year?

We made three significant changes over the past year. Due to the substantial impact transitional pastors are having and the growing demand for them, we doubled the support for the Director of Transitional Pastors. Additionally, we discovered that many more individuals wanted to use the content of our transitional pastor training program for their local congregations. Consequently, we initiated the creation of approximately 15 video training modules that could be utilized in both transitional pastor training and individual congregation revitalization efforts to disseminate essential content more widely. Thirdly, to alleviate some of the time constraints for our church health coordinators and leadership, we hired a part-time office administrator. These program modifications are contributing to more efficient and effective utilization of the funds provided by Lilly Endowments under this grant.

Next Steps

What are your plans for next year? Who is involved in your current efforts to sustain the program beyond the grant period? How is their work progressing?

Our objective is to empower individual presbyteries and congregations to take charge of their church's well-being, with an outward focus as a fundamental aspect of their culture. This approach significantly reduces the effort required by a nationally coordinated team of coordinators. To accomplish this, we need a more precise method to assess the health of a congregation and its ministries, enabling them to conduct accurate self-assessments. Over the next year, we intend to develop a set of ministry markers that presbyteries and

congregations can utilize to swiftly and effectively identify the impact of their ministries and cultural shifts, as well as the necessity for change.

Thriving Congregations Initiative
Baseline Data
Grant Number 2023 2274

A. Name of Organization		
B. Congregations	**Reporting Period**	**Total to Date**
Number of Congregations Participating in the Program	73	303
Number of Individuals from congregations participating in the program	4,000	34,000
Total number of individuals participating in the program	4,000	34,000
C. Learning/Training Events		
Number of events conducted by the program**	62	187
Number of congregations represented in all events	60	120

**This represents only those events conducted by Church Health Coordinator or other trained staff but does not include those subsequent events led by the local congregation. In some cases data are extrapolated to account for information not reported from a few events.

D. Other statistics we are tracking.

1. Number of ReFocus workshops—Tell us how many congregations are actively involved in the revitalization beyond simply attending a seminar. It usually initiates a congregation into active participation of renewed mission and vision. (35)
2. Number of trained Transitional Pastors and ministry leaders—Tells us how many pastors and coaches are available to lead congregations in revitalization in the period when a church is awaiting a new pastor. (148)
3. Number of Coaches available and engaged—tells us how well the process is engaged at the congregational level. (40)

E. Major gathering or significant events for the coming year.

Date	**Event and Description**	**Location**
March 3-5, 2026	Transitional Pastor Training	St. Louis, MO
TBD	Transitional Pastor Training	TBD
TBD	Transitional Pastor Training	TBD
February 3-5, 2026	Church Health Coordinator Training and Workshop	Orlando, FL
June 15, 2026	Church Health Coordinator mid-term review	Denver, CO

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January 28, 2026

Dr. Channon Ross
Lilly Endowment Inc.
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Ref Grant No. 2023 2274

Dear Dr. Ross,

The Evangelical Presbyterian Church is pleased to provide our annual financial report for the referenced grant. As the attached report details, all funds are tracked and distributed in strict accordance with the grant guidance. All receipts and records are retained for review upon request. We are currently making no requests for any budget revisions.

If you have any questions or would like more information on any aspect of our annual report or the activities discussed in it, please contact me at (407) 930-4405.

Sincerely,

Patrick Coelho
Chief Financial Officer

Attachment

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, INC.

Budget

Grant No. 2023 2274

For Period 01/01/25 - 12/31/25

Budget Categories		Approved Budget	For Period	Cumulative	Budget Less Cumulative
INCOME					
Lilly Endowment	1	$ 888,000	$ -	$ 888,000	$ -
EPC Contributions					
Church Contributions		$ 1,200,279	$ 145,890	$ 325,753	$ 874,526
Lilly Endowment Interest	2	$ -	$ 33,299	$ 66,734	$ 66,734
TOTAL INCOME		$ 2,088,279	$ 179,189	$ 1,280,487	$ 941,260
EXPENSES					
Personnel					
Program Director		$ 597,094	$ 139,640	$ 247,186	$ 349,908
Presbytery Coordinators	1	$ 768,000	$ 188,700	$ 365,700	$ 402,300
Regional Coordinators	1	$ 96,000	$ 30,500	$ 53,000	$ 43,000
TP Director	1	$ 24,000	$ 6,755	$ 12,755	$ 11,245
Total Personnel		$ 1,485,094	$ 365,595	$ 678,641	$ 806,453
Administrative		$ 290,702	$ 25,795	$ 38,090	$ 252,612
Travel		$ 215,506	$ 33,921	$ 72,423	$ 143,083
Resource Development Consultants		$ 53,876	$ -	$ 1,063	$ 52,813
		$ 43,101	$ 1,155	$ 7,643	$ 35,458
TOTAL EXPENSES		$ 2,088,279	$ 426,466	$ 797,860	$ 1,290,419
CURRENT CASH BALANCE				$ 482,627	
Lilly Endowment Grant Funds Cash Balance				$ 454,892	

Notes

1 This is the "core" of EPC proposal for the grant

2 This is the interest earned on the endowment funds, which we intend to apply to the program.

CHURCH PLANTING LEADERSHIP TEAM

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-church-planting/

The Church Planting Leadership Team (CPLT) reports to the 46th. General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. Held two EPC church planting assessments.
2. Transitioned to a new regional director in the northeast.
3. Launched four new Latino EPC church plants.
4. Held two regional church planning retreats (East & West) instead of one national retreat.

Recommendations

The Church Planting Team has no recommendations to present to the 46th General Assembly.

Work of the Committee

Our national team continues to support local church planting by helping provide and work with regional directors, assisting in the costs of annual retreats, providing assessment for potential church planters, helping fund coaching for new planters, and recruiting new church planters to the EPC pipeline. Our work at the national level provides local churches and presbyteries with the needed tools and resources to be vigorously active in church planting.

In keeping with the pastoral assessment, the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards is recommending that the EPC National Church Planting team explore presbyteries making church planting assessment a requirement for all church planting evangelists. Assessment can be obtained from the EPC assessment team or an equivalent assessment organization endorsed by the EPC National Church Planting Team.

There were 44 church plants in 2026.

Recommendations (Detailed)

The Church Planting Team has no recommendations to present to the 46th General Assembly.

Committee Members

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Meeting Dates

August 1-3, 2025: Denver, CO
March 1-3, 2026: San Diego, CA

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Ricks, National Director of Church Planting
June 2026

Jack Cathey, Chairman
June 2026

EFFECTIVE BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP TEAM

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-effective-biblical-leadership/

The Effective Biblical Leadership Team (EBLT) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. The EBL Team hosted "Healthy Leaders, Healthy Churches" webinars to support the holistic well-being of our church leaders.
2. The EBL Team hosted two webinars on AI to equip church leaders for the theological and ethical challenges of the digital landscape.
3. The EBL Team created the first Rural Pastor Cohort in partnership with Church Health, funded by the Center for Rural Ministry at Grove City College.
4. The EBL Team created the EPC Commissioned Pastor Certification Program at Knox Theological Seminary in partnership with Church Health.
5. Aided in planning the Small Church Summit, held at HOPE EPC in Raleigh in February 2026.
6. Offered the "Tempered Resilience" online book group for pastors in fall 2025.
7. Held periodic online gatherings for Presbytery caregivers to share resources and best practices for ministering to our pastors.

Recommendations

The Effective Biblical Leadership Team has no recommendations to present to the 46th General Assembly.

Work of the Committee

The Effective Biblical Leadership Team has focused our work on three areas: Continual Spiritual Formation, Holistic Well-Being, and Leadership Effectiveness.

Continual Spiritual Formation:

- "Tempered Resilience" book group for pastors, facilitated by Jerry Van Auken and Bob Stauffer
- Online gatherings for Presbytery Caregivers (who minister to our pastors)

Holistic Well-Being:

- "Healthy Leaders, Healthy Churches" webinars for pastors, elders, and people married to pastors
- Rural Pastor Cohort, in partnership with Church Health
- Small Church Summit

Leadership Effectiveness:

- EPC Commissioned Pastor Certification Program at Knox Seminary, in partnership with Church Health
- Webinars on AI for pastors and elders

In this next year, we will continue our partnership with Church Health to sustain leaders who are Inwardly Strong and Outwardly Focused:

- "Better Together" Online Cohorts for Teaching Elders and Ruling Elders in EPC churches who want to grow in missional effectiveness
- "Embassies and Ambassadors" Storytelling Project, highlighting stories of churches who are living into their missional identity
- Rural Pastor Cohort, Round 2, beginning in January 2027–includes an expense-paid retreat!

We will also continue our "Healthy Leaders, Healthy Churches" series, encouraging the holistic well-being of our leaders and pointing to support resources.

And further ahead:

- Refresh EPC Pastors Retreat-Spouses Welcome, October 4-7, 2027 at Glen Eyrie in Colorado Springs

Special thanks to our previous and outgoing team members for their work in helping to support and equip Effective Biblical Leaders in the EPC!

Meg DeHaven
TE Bonnie Gatchell
TE Julie Hawkins
RE Dan Yoon

Recommendations (Detailed)

The Effective Biblical Leadership Team has no recommendations to present to the 46th General Assembly.

Committee Members

Annie Rose (National Director of Ministerial Health)
TE, Presbytery of the Rivers and Lakes

Greg Ealey
TE, Presbytery of the Great Plains

Julie Hawkins
TE, Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest

Kent Matthews
TE, Presbytery of the Great Plains

Michelle Munger
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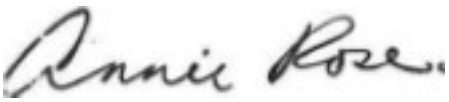
Roy Yanke
RE, Presbytery of the Midwest

Dan Yoon
RE, Presbytery of the Coastal Mid-Atlantic

Meeting Dates

August 21, 2025: Video Conference
September 18, 2025: Video Conference
October 16, 2025: Video Conference
November 20, 2025: Video Conference
January 22, 2026: Video Conference
February 19, 2026: Video Conference
March 19, 2026: Video Conference
April 8-10, 2026: Office of the General Assembly (Orlando, FL)
May 21, 2026: Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,



Annie Rose, National Director of Ministerial Health
June 2026

REVELATION 7:9 TEAM

This report is available online at https://epconnect.org/2026-committee-report-revelation-79-team/

The Revelation 7:9 Team (REV79) reports to the 46th General Assembly on its work during 2025-2026, plus recommendations for consideration by the Assembly.

Summary of Work

1. The committee met at Bridge City Church in Cleveland, OH, this spring for robust fellowship and fervent deliberation. We are grateful to the pastors, session, and staff at Bridge City Church for their warm hospitality.
2. We continue to update our website with current contact details and other essential information: www.epconnect.org/revelation79
3. Our different expressions by which a local congregation might aspire to imitate Revelation 7:9 in our broken world now number twelve. See www.epconnect.org/revelation79 or our printed brochure at the OGA table. These are not intended to be exhaustive but suggestive and we would welcome other ideas from churches. Part of our hope in suggesting these twelve paths is to dissuade anyone of the misconception that every church needs to become multi-ethnic to fulfill the ideal of Revelation 7:9.
4. The team developed a detailed guide on leadership placement practices for congregations titled "A Strategic Journey to Cultural Diversification."
5. We reiterated a threefold process for interested churches that aspire to imitate a Revelation 7:9 expression as much as possible in a broken world.
6. The Rev 7:9 Team continued to engage with Dr. Harry Li, Senior Consultant with the Mosaix Global Network and Certified Facilitator with the Cultural Intelligence Center, to facilitate the use of a cultural intelligence tool with churches ready to embrace a Revelation 7:9 expression in their local context. This engagement included specialized training for one of our members who can then train others on our team to facilitate the use of this tool, as well as inviting Dr. Li to lead workshops with two different congregations, in different presbyteries, as pilots of what we hope to see implemented across our denomination.
7. We reiterated a coaching model consisting of four (4) teams deploying multiple Revelation 7:9 Team members designated for each region of the country. These coaches walk with a congregation to identify and analyze their local demographics, help them assess their readiness, and assist them in developing a strategy for execution.
8. We continue to engage proactively with the Church Health Leadership Team, recognizing the value of collaboration between our two teams as we seek to help congregations in their missional outreach to their local communities.
9. One of our members, T Jason Yum, stepped down from the team this year due to work demands. We are most grateful to Jason for the valuable contributions he made to our work. We will miss him greatly.

10. We currently have representatives on the Team from 11 of the EPC's 16 presbyteries and are seeking at least one new team member. We encourage anyone interested in joining our team to contact one of our co-chairs.
11. Approximately 15% of the EPC's churches have indicated interest or are already pursuing some element of a Revelation 7:9 expression.

Recommendations

The Revelation 7:9 Team has no formal recommendations for the 46th General Assembly.

Work of the Committee

OUR PURPOSE

The purpose of the Revelation 7:9 Team is to improve the delivery of the Great Commission and the Great Commandment within a local church's 1-3-5-mile radius.

OUR PREMISE

America is today more ethnically, economically, and age-diverse than ever before (78 million millennials is the largest birth number in American history, surpassing baby-boomers who numbered 76 million), as well as more gospel averse toward the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Thus if the EPC is to thrive in future generations, it must evolve to reflect these ethnic, economic and age changes without compromising the infallible Word of God.

THE WORLD'S PERCEPTION

"Perception is reality," so goes the well-known adage. A few years ago, a major television news outlet in Memphis TN interviewed Team Co-Chairman Rufus Smith and asked the following question: "Why don't more black, white, Latino, or Asian churches work more closely together to arrest some of the city's social, educational, and economic ills?" Although some ethnically diverse churches work together, sadly our disunity is the world's perception. And truthfully there are not enough churches that contradict this perception by leveraging our collective influence. One expression of Revelation 7:9 is for ministers of the gospel of Jesus Christ who agree on the essentials to unify by joining or forming ethnically and denominationally diverse fellowships. Such an alliance could build trust, visibly captivate the world, cultivate empathic relationships, create a viable gospel response that infuses spiritual hopefulness and instills Imago Dei to a fallen humanity, and help to redress social ills in some of our rural towns and mid-size to larger cities.

OUR PERSPECTIVE

Many of our churches invest heavily in the global component of the Great Commission/Great Commandment of impacting the uttermost parts of the world. However, they invest to a lesser degree in impacting new neighbors in their local neighborhoods of Judea and Samaria. The Revelation 7:9 Task Force believes that if we proactively pursue our local 1-3-5 radius, more

churches will reflect their entire community as well as the descriptive church in John's Revelation, which is illustrative of the coming Kingdom of God on earth.

We have observed two essentials to begin evaluating interested churches aspiring to pursue a Revelation 7:9 expression:

1. First, the Senior Pastor must be a champion (and if not leading the charge, deputize a key delegate).

2. Second, churches that succeed organize a local Revelation 7:9 Team or futurist team setting near-term/mid-term/long-term research and goals.

Note 1: We define the term "under-served community" similarly to the EPC Church Planting Network, as a ZIP Code dominated by "Nones" or "Dones"—the religiously unaffiliated (formerly called "unchurched" or "dechurched")—in their 1-3-5-mile radius. Think Canada, Europe, Portland Maine, etc.

Note 2: Even though all churches should be missional, we are not as missional as this broken world demands. To use a technological term, a church aspiring to imitate Revelation 7:9 is simply "rebooting" its evangelistic ecosystem. We also know that the work of Revelation 7:9 can coincide with revitalization by executing with more fervor the Great Commission and the Great Commandment. If a church chooses another path of revitalization, the Kingdom still wins!

Recommendations (Detailed)

The Revelation 7:9 Team has no formal recommendations for the 46th General Assembly.

However, we are ready to assist any local EPC church interested in taking a step along the Rev. 7:9 pathway and we recommend the church to contact a member of our team to start the process. We aspire to all 16 EPC presbyteries being represented on the Task Force, so we are seeking individuals from the Coastal Mid-Atlantic, Midwest, New River, Pacific Southwest, and Rivers and Lakes to join us. Please contact us if you or someone you know seems suited for this work and we will interview them. Ruling Elders or Teaching Elders are preferred, but not required if the person is a faithful member of an EPC congregation.

An Invitation to Interested EPC Churches

As you execute your church's mission, we understand that not every church is interested in embarking on this pathway. But if you think a Revelation 7:9 strategy can enhance your arsenal or revitalize your congregation and community, please contact us. Yes, it will be eye-opening. Yes, you will make mistakes. No, we do not have all the answers, nor know where it will all lead. But we do know that this pursuit will lead us closer to the heart of the Lord for all people. "Your kingdom come; Your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven." And we know that a Revelation 7:9 path will glorify God the Father as well as make us better practitioners of the Great Commission and the Great Commandment in our local churches and a broken world.

Committee Members

Andrew Smith (Co-Chairman)
TE, Presbytery of the East

Rufus Smith (Co-Chairman)
TE, Presbytery of the Central South

Jeff Cook
TE, Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

Bonnie Gatchell
TE, Presbytery of the East

Enid Flores
RE, Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean

Brandon Queen
RE, Presbytery of the Gulf South

Rachel Kimrey
RE, Presbytery of the Southeast

Cara Taylor
Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest

Mark Potter
TE, Presbytery of the Great Plains

Marc de Jeu
TE, Presbytery of the Alleghenies

Ben Tzeng
TE, Presbytery of Mid-America

Cheryl Mendes-Ellis
Presbytery of the West

Tom Werner
RE, Presbytery of Mid-America

Mike Wright
TE, Presbytery of the West

Meeting Dates

August 7, 2025: Video Conference
September 4, 2025: Video Conference
December 4, 2025: Video Conference
February 12, 2026: Video Conference
March 17-19, 2026: Bridge City Church, Cleveland, OH
April 9, 2026: Video Conference
May 7, 2026: Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Smith, Co-Chair
June 2026

Rufus Smith, Co-Chair
June 2026

PART III: DOCUMENTS

ACTS OF THE 46TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

46-01 The 46th General Assembly ELECTS RE Jack Cathey as Moderator of the 46th General Assembly

46-02 The 46th General Assembly ELECTS TE Joshua Brown as Moderator-Elect of the 46th General Assembly

46-03 The 46th General Assembly EXTENDS the Ad-Interim Committee on Disability and the Sacraments for 1 year for work on the Pastoral Letter

46-04 The 46th General Assembly ENCOURAGES Presbyteries to invite representatives from the Ad-Interim Committee on Disability and the Sacraments to present the proposed Pastoral Letter draft for discussion and receive feedback.

46-05 The 46th General Assembly EXPANDS the work of the Ad-Interim Committee on Disability and the Sacraments to include the creation of a Position Paper and expand the number of committee members from 9 to 12

46-06 The 46th General Assembly RATIFIES Descending Overture 45-A and AMENDS *Book of Government* 11-2 related to Candidate/Applicant language

46-07 The 46th General Assembly RATIFIES Descending Overture 45-B and AMENDS *Book of Government* 18-3 related to Session's immediate jurisdiction over Applicant and Candidate

46-08 The 46th General Assembly RATIFIES Descending Overture 45-C and AMENDS *Book of Government* 19-4.B related to clarifying Applicant/Candidate language

46-09 The 46th General Assembly RATIFIES Descending Overture 45-D and AMENDS *Book of Government* 21-2.D.1 related to Ministerial Committee responsibility for Applicants and Candidates

46-10 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 11-2.G to clarify ordination criteria

46-11 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 11-2.H to clarify ordination criteria

46-12 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 12-2 to clarify the ordination exam process

46-13 The 46th General Assembly ADOPTS a Core Curriculum for ordination

46-14 The 46th General Assembly ADOPTS a sunset provision for CEEP Candidates

46-15 The 46th General Assembly ADOPTS a review of the Ministerial Committee job description

46-16 The 46th General Assembly ADDS to *Rules for Assembly* to clarify language about the role of the Ministerial Vocations Committee

46-17 The 46th General Assembly PROPOSES a study to consider re-establishing licensure

46-18 The 46th General Assembly CONSIDERS archiving *Acts of Assembly* no longer in effect

46-19 The 46th General Assembly DISMISSES the Ad-Interim Committee on Ordination Standards with appreciation

46-20 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS the section "Same-Sex Attraction" in the EPC's Pastoral Letter on Human Sexuality

46-21 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS the EPC's Position Paper on Human Sexuality

46-22 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 9-3

46-23 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 12-2B, 12-3A, 12-3B, & 12-6 to add requirements to examine nominees to all EPC offices in the area of Christian character

46-24 The 46th General Assembly CREATES a Moderator-appointed Ad-Interim Committee to write a position paper on Digital Discipleship and Ethical Engagement in a Technological Age

46-25 The 46th General Assembly ASKS the Ad-Interim Committee for the Position Paper on Digital Discipleship and Ethical Engagement in a Technological Age to explore the formation of a Permanent Committee

46-26 The 46th General Assembly ANSWERS IN THE NEGATIVE the overture from the Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest to affirm the Position Paper on Homosexuality and the Position Paper on the Sanctity of Marriage as the positions of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

46-27 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the 2026-2027 Chairman for the BRI Board of Directors, the slate of nominees to fill vacancies of the Permanent Nominating Committee, and the chair of the Nominating Committee

46-28 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES entering a formal Fraternal Relationship with the Synod of the Nile

46-34 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES retired ministers drawing from their EPC 403(b)(9) account to designate up to 100% for housing allowance

46-35 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 9-5.D and RECEIVES the subsequent PJC report

46-36 The 46th General Assembly ADJUSTS the boundaries of the Presbytery of Florida and the Caribbean to include Spain and RECEIVES the subsequent PJC report

46-37 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 5-10 and RECEIVES the subsequent PJC report

46-38 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS *Book of Government* 19-3 and RECEIVES the subsequent PJC report

46-39 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the FY27 Special Projects Budget

46-40 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the Minutes of the Presbyteries with Exceptions Requiring Responses

46-41 The 46th General Assembly RECOGNIZES the approval of the responses from the Presbyteries to those exceptions sent to them by the 45th General Assembly

46-42 The 46th General Assembly SUSTAINS the ruling of the PJC in the matter of New Albany v. Presbytery of the Alleghenies

46-43 The 46th General Assembly SUSTAINS the ruling of the PJC in the matter of McClelland v. Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

46-44 The 46th General Assembly RECOMMENDS that the Fraternal Relations Permanent Committee report on any recent communications from the Associate Reformed Church (ARP) to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC) and report its findings to the 47th General Assembly

46-45 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the FY27 Administrative Budget

46-46 The 46th General Assembly AMENDS the *Book of Discipline* and APPROVES the report of the PJC on the amendments to the *Book of Discipline*

46-47 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES all ecclesiastical judicial procedures in process on the date the revised *Book of Discipline* is ratified to be processed under the provisions of the current (2026) *Book of Discipline*

46-48 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES a new Endorsement Policy superseding *Acts of Assembly* 20-10

46-49 The 46th General Assembly INCREASES the size of the World Outreach Committee from 6 to 9 members

46-50 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the purchase of a new Data Management System "Site Stacker" for the General Assembly to be made available to all the courts of the church

46-51 The 46th General Assembly REFERS the matter of General Assembly admission fees for non-voting spouses to the National Leadership Team

46-52 The 46th General Assembly DIRECTS the National Leadership Team to study the current state of the preservation, cataloging, and accessibility of the historical records of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

46-53 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the Minutes of the 45th General Assembly

46-54 The 46th General Assembly APPROVES the Minutes of the Permanent Committee dated August 12-14, 2025, October 9, 2025, January 13-14, 2026, April 8, 2026, and May 12, 2026 with minor notations

46-55 The 46th General Assembly RECEIVES the reports on Recommendation 45-35 instructing the Office of the General Assembly to digitize the Minutes of the first 26 General Assemblies of the EPC and Recommendation 45-36 requesting the Office of the General Assembly to explore the feasibility of digital voting at future Assemblies

COMMUNICATION 46-25: INVITATION TO HOST 47TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

May 19, 2026

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Dean Weaver, Stated Clerk Evangelical
Presbyterian Church 5850 R.G. Lee
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Dear Dean,

Please consider this letter as formal invitation to the General Assembly of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church to be our guests at Second Presbyterian Church in Memphis, Tennessee, in June 15-17 of 2027 as unanimously approved by our Session on May 18, 2026.

We are eager to worship our Lord together and experience rich fellowship as we adhere to our responsibilities of caring well for our flocks.

Blessings,

George Robertson
Senior Pastor

John Alexander Clerk
of the Session

COMMUNICATION 46-07: NOMINEES FOR BRI BOARD OF DIRECTORS CHAIRMAN AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE VACANCIES

46-07 (to the floor)

Communication

The Moderator of the 45th General Assembly recommends that the 46th General Assembly **APPROVE** the 2026-2027 Chairman for the BRI Board of Directors and the slate of nominees to fill vacancies on the Permanent Nominating Committee.

June 2026

Dr. Dean Weaver, Stated Clerk
Evangelical Presbyterian Church
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Dear Dean,

The *Rules for Assembly* 11-3 stated that the Moderator is to appoint a Chairman for the Nominating Committee and to nominate persons to fill vacancies on the Nominating Committee. The Moderator is also to nominate the Chairman for the BRI Board of Directors for the forthcoming Assembly. I am pleased to offer the following individuals:

1. Appointments: 2026-2027 Chairman Nominating Committee
   TE Mike Goolsby (Presbytery of the Great Plains)

2. Nominations: Nominating Committee

Name	Presbytery	Class
TE Bill Crawford	Gulf South	2029
RE Kelli Marks	Rivers & Lakes	2029
TE SJ Winter	Midwest	2029
TE Silver Feliz	FL / Caribbean	2029

3. Nominations: 2026-2027 Chairman, BRI Board of Directors

RE Michael Busch	Alleghenies	2029

It is my blessing and privilege to place these names before the Assembly and in so doing to commend these fine people for service to our denomination and to our Lord.

Dave Strunk
Moderator, 45th General Assembly

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS

The following documents are available in print or electronic format from either the EPC website (www.epc.org) or the Office of the Stated Clerk. Request should include the following:

- Requester's Name
- EPC Church Affiliation
- Position at Church (Teaching Elder, Ruling Elder, Member)

Send request to:

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Rules for Assembly

2025 Annual Church Reports

2025-2026 Churches Received, Dismissed, and Dissolved

Approved Pastoral Letter on Human Sexuality

Auditors' Report—2025 EPC Combined Financial Statements

Auditors' Report—FY25 EPC Audit Process Report

Auditors' Report—FY25 EPC Internal Control Report

Auditors' Report—FY24 and FY25 Benefits Plan Financial Statements

Auditors' Report—FY25 Benefits Plan Audit Process Report

Auditors' Report—FY25 Benefits Plan Internal Control Report

Auditors' Report—FY24 and FY25 Retirement Plan Financial Statements

Auditors' Report—FY25 Retirement Plan Audit Process Report

Auditors' Report—FY25 Retirement Plan Internal Control Report

Proposed FY 2027 (FY27) Administration Budget

Proposed FY 2026 (FY27) Special Projects

PART IV: DIRECTORY

PERMANENT COMMITTEES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

(Through the 46th General Assembly)

BENEFIT RESOURCES, INC., BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
RE Greg Sipos *Alleghenies*	Michael Moore *Central South*	Cathy Scott *East*
TE Brandon Jolley *Midwest*	RE Jeff Anderson *Great Plains*	RE Bill Overcast *Central South*
RE Bob Coleman *Central South*		RE Mike Busch *Alleghenies*

CHAPLAINS' WORK AND CARE COMMITTEE

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
RE Jim Pleuss *Rivers and Lakes*	TE Richard Evans *Pacific Northwest*	TE Dave Snyder *Midwest*
TE Daniel Kim *Coastal Mid-Atlantic*	TE Karen Bolte *Pacific Southwest*	TE Jennifer Cooper *Central Carolinas*
TE Scott Kennaugh *Alleghenies*	RE Larry Williams *Alleghenies*	RE Kendra Bowers *Central South*

DISASTER RELIEF COMMITTEE

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
TE Paul Gibson *Florida and the Caribbean*	TE Cliff Mansley *West*	Tony Harris *Central South*
Rich Phillips *Pacific Northwest*	Bubba Harrell *Central South*	TE Whitney Alexander *Gulf South*
Tommy Phelps *Great Plains*	TE Steve Burton *Central South*	

FRATERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
TE Josh Hammans *Florida and the Caribbean*	RE Roger Rumer *Alleghenies*	RE Josh Shelley *Central South*
TE Brandon Addison *West*	RE Patti Francis *Pacific Southwest*	TE Julien de Leiris *Great Plains*
	TE Doug Kortyna *Pacific Northwest*	

MINISTERIAL VOCATION COMMITTEE

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
RE Joseph Slesinski *East*	RE Charles Youther *Midwest*	TE Joel Keen *Mid-America*
TE Chris Curtis *Rivers and Lakes*	TE Scott Sealy *Central South*	TE Doug Ashley *West*

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP TEAM

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
TE Neil Smith *East*	TE Eric Shipton *New River*	RE Joi Williams *Coastal Mid-Atlantic*
RE Linda McDaniel *Central South*	TE Carolyn Poteet *Alleghenies*	TE Julie Hawkins *Pacific Northwest*
RE John Ivy, Jr. *Central South*	TE Rachel Toone-Pies *Central Carolinas*	RE Chris Danusiar *Rivers and Lakes*
RE George Hertensteiner *Great Plains*	TE Josh Hanson *Midwest*	TE Greg Aydt *Central South*

NEXT GENERATION MINISTRIES COUNCIL

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
TE Sirgregory Thornton *Central South*	TE Cole Lescher *Mid-America*	TE Chrishon Ducker *Coastal Mid-Atlantic*
TE Ian Johnston *Great Plains*	Geraud Brumfield *Pacific Southwest*	Torie Smith *Great Plains*
TE Stephanie Poblenz *Midwest*		

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
TE Nick Welch *Pacific Northwest*	RE Rob Liddon *Central South*	TE Bill Crawford *Gulf South*
RE Ann Weston *Mid-America*	RE James Bandstra *Alleghenies*	RE Kelli Marks *Rivers and Lakes*
RE Stacey Miller *Coastal Mid-Atlantic*	RE Richard Swedberg *West*	TE SJ Winter *Midwest*
TE Tommy Jordan *Southeast*	TE Ron Meyer *East*	TE Mike Goolsby *Great Plains*
RE Christine Deane *Pacific Southwest*	TE Robert Howard *Central Carolinas*	TE Silver Feliz *Florida and the Caribbean*
	TE Shane Whelan *New River*	

PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
RE Brian Wyatt *Pacific Southwest*	RE Gordon Miller *Mid-America*	TE Zach Hopkins *Rivers and Lakes*
TE Ed McCallum *West*	RE Donald Flater *Rivers and Lakes*	TE Barton Kimbro *Central South*
RE Forrest Norman *Alleghenies*	RE Tom Werner *Mid-America*	RE Sean McKee *Great Plains*

PRESBYTERY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
RE Janet Goodmam *Pacific Southwest*	RE Christopher Rhodes *Pacific Southwest*	TE Dana Opp *Alleghenies*
TE Keith Hopkins *Pacific Northwest*	RE Cheryl Followell *Central South*	TE David Horner *Midwest*
RE/TE Name *Presbytery*	TE Mark Willems *Pacific Northwest*	RE Geri McFall *Great Plains*
		RE Doris Houck *Florida and the Caribbean*

THEOLOGY COMMITTEE

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
RE Carol Williams *Alleghenies*	TE Stephanie Black *Coastal Mid-Atlantic*	RE David Buschart *West*
TE Todd Erickson *Central South*	TE Ben Ray *Great Plains*	TE Aaron White *Midwest*

WORLD OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
TE David Pleuss *Rivers and Lakes*	RE Randall Leonard *Great Plains*	April Hubbard *Coastal Mid-Atlantic*
TE Jeff Chadwick *Southeast*	RE Robert Longfield *Central South*	RE Cindy Zimmerman *Florida and the Caribbean*
RE David VanValkenburg *West*	TE Josh Cole *Gulf South*	TE Ken Ferguson *Pacific Southwest*
TE Adam Reasner *Midwest*	RE Jane Cooper *Gulf South*	RE Chris Hallam *Pacific Northwest*

GENERAL ASSEMBLY INTERIM COMMITTEES

(Through the 46th General Assembly)

COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY AND ACCESS

RE Michelle Munger *Coastal Mid-Atlantic*	TE Walter Taylor *Coastal Mid-Atlantic*	Beth Golik *Alleghenies*
TE Bill Heming *Pacific Northwest*	Daniel Harris *Central South*	TE Jeff Jones *Alleghenies*
TE Josh Cole *Gulf South*		Rob Eyman *Midwest*

COMMITTEE ON ORDINATION STANDARDS

RE Michelle Munger *Coastal Mid-Atlantic*	TE Walter Taylor *Coastal Mid-Atlantic*	Beth Golik *Alleghenies*
TE Bill Heming *Pacific Northwest*	Daniel Harris *Central South*	TE Jeff Jones *Alleghenies*
TE Josh Cole *Gulf South*		Rob Eyman *Midwest*

COMMITTEE ON SAME-SEX ATTRACTION AND ORDINATION STANDARDS

RE Michelle Munger *Coastal Mid-Atlantic*	TE Walter Taylor *Coastal Mid-Atlantic*	Beth Golik *Alleghenies*
TE Bill Heming *Pacific Northwest*	Daniel Harris *Central South*	TE Jeff Jones *Alleghenies*
TE Josh Cole *Gulf South*		Rob Eyman *Midwest*

BOOK OF DISCIPLINE TASK FORCE

RE Rob Liddon *Central South*	TE Betsy Rumer *Alleghenies*	TE Marc de Jeu *Alleghenies*
RE Bob LeSuer *Alleghenies*	TE Neil Smith *East*	TE Ed McCallum *West*
TE Bob Garment *Florida and the Caribbean*		

PRESBYTERY STATED CLERKS

Alleghenies
TE Dana Opp

Central Carolinas
TE Robert Howard

Central South
TE Ken Van Kampen

Coastal Mid-Atlantic
RE Duke Lineberry

East
TE John Dorr

East
RE Robb Tongue
Assistant Stated Clerk

Florida and the Caribbean
TE Bran Knedgen

Great Plains
TE Kermit Oppriecht

Great Plains
RE Jeff Sparks
Assistant Stated Clerk

Gulf South
TE Michael Herrin

Mid-America
RE Dexter Kuhlman

Midwest
TE Pete Scribner

Midwest
RE Andy Warner
Assistant Stated Clerk

New River
TE Rufus Burton

Pacific Northwest
TE Ed Cummings

Pacific Southwest
TE Mark Eshoff

Rivers and Lakes
TE Annie Rose

Southeast
TE William Dudley

Southeast
RE Diane Mizell

West
Greg Daniels

PART V: ANNUAL CHURCH REPORTS

2025 ANNUAL CHURCH REPORTS

2025 ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT SUMMARY

		Membership		Avg. Worship Attendance		Avg. Virtual Attendance		Professions of Faith		Adult	Infant/Child
	Presbytery	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	Alleghenies Stats	11,712	11,090	7,486	7,535	2,504	2,465	289	102	50	170
2	Central Carolinas Stats	5,906	5,526	6,759	7,781	2,763	2,680	96	38	73	80
3	Central South Stats	13,098	12,964	8,758	8,591	3,710	3,732	94	166	47	181
4	Coastal Mid-Atlantic Stats	5,449	5,842	4,729	5,357	1,631	1,991	119	151	61	80
5	East Stats	5,916	6,280	4,839	5,398	1,332	1,795	246	83	107	94
6	Florida and the Caribbean Stats	6,215	6,930	3,293	3,844	1,780	2,023	157	53	22	93
7	Great Plains Stats	6,407	6,148	3,799	4,267	1,894	1,605	61	81	24	108
8	Gulf South Stats	7,786	7,932	5,318	5,632	2,475	2,068	173	147	48	143
9	Mid-America Stats	6,488	6,488	5,244	5,864	3,496	3,592	77	41	13	69
10	Midwest Stats	10,267	10,274	9,183	8,912	4,059	4,242	110	84	97	143
11	New River Stats	5,149	5,492	4,103	4,668	1,552	1,759	152	66	85	38
12	Pacific Northwest Stats	5,179	5,305	5,374	4,978	1,820	1,167	293	122	73	96
13	Pacific Southwest Stats	9,357	9,033	6,592	6,850	3,087	3,597	185	38	167	139
14	Rivers and Lakes Stats	3,212	3,020	2,134	2,235	872	831	55	31	19	39
15	Southeast Stats	8,301	9,620	5,931	6,214	3,460	1,824	196	135	47	164
16	West Stats	9,275	9,715	8,334	8,799	2,085	3,354	150	102	189	213
	TOTAL	**119,717**	**121,659**	**91,876**	**96,925**	**38,520**	**38,725**	**2,453**	**1,440**	**1,122**	**1,850**

2025 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY

	Presbytery	Income to General Operating fund	Tithes and Offerings	Local Program and Operating Expenses	POI 2025	Presbytery Giving	WO Giving 2025	Non-EPC Missions and Outreach Giving	Church Planting: Presbytery Church Plants	Church Planting: Direct to EPC	Church Planting: Direct to Non-EPC	Church Planting: Parent	Church Planting: Partner	Church Planting: Patron
1	Alleghenies	$26,506,883	$25,855,297	$25,053,208	$195,055	$453,439	$160,131	$3,232,311	$14,936	$1,581,655	$13,000	3	7	17
2	Central Carolinas	$16,486,904	$18,647,908	$15,729,652	$151,387	$294,276	$220,064	$2,166,099	$0	$379,092	$23,000	2	3	4
3	Central South	$38,823,595	$43,089,902	$38,286,763	$285,003	$356,212	$377,708	$9,622,898	$61,975	$415,044	$23,000	5	5	17
4	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$19,124,208	$19,290,138	$16,901,367	$136,593	$340,539	$259,020	$1,591,282	$25,800	$62,450	$65,000	0	3	6
5	East	$22,354,925	$22,953,716	$22,082,213	$108,206	$221,465	$341,191	$2,631,430	$26,749	$70,290	$42,938	3	5	9
6	Florida and the Caribbean	$17,253,239	$19,797,675	$20,171,580	$99,412	$123,009	$25,125	$1,131,789	$15,000	$35,700	$14,400	1	2	8
7	Great Plains	$20,259,767	$20,127,332	$19,300,905	$131,814	$146,525	$129,549	$2,951,600	$38,099	$204,453	$9,300	3	5	13
8	Gulf South	$23,770,863	$26,675,074	$23,444,557	$164,230	$261,237	$492,799	$2,168,924	$110,675	$177,727	$124,107	3	6	11
9	Mid-America	$12,061,855	$27,774,672	$24,978,062	$80,296	$52,798	$76,197	$1,541,577	$10,000	$108,825	$20,379	0	2	6
10	Midwest	$33,284,014	$38,535,909	$35,872,875	$255,501	$262,154	$752,773	$3,746,901	$1,000	$99,740	$43,400	0	4	6
11	New River	$13,262,915	$11,443,571	$10,022,826	$87,624	$198,803	$207,019	$1,334,861	$0	$13,440	$52,680	1	3	3
12	Pacific Northwest	$16,711,272	$18,092,398	$16,473,854	$92,144	$294,719	$197,989	$1,513,654	$19,600	$78,200	$0	2	5	9
13	Pacific Southwest	$30,317,935	$31,889,711	$32,651,589	$232,466	$312,951	$111,900	$2,769,285	$69,849	$21,250	$26,701	1	6	13
14	Rivers and Lakes	$5,860,337	$7,156,742	$6,206,051	$51,957	$111,325	$124,517	$667,349	$16,257	$26,463	$5,300	0	2	9
15	Southeast	$30,040,586	$28,556,089	$34,420,614	$199,285	$318,684	$265,066	$5,452,928	$61,060	$227,594	$1,520,000	2	5	9
16	West	$36,919,599	$35,025,670	$32,502,696	$158,358	$275,319	$219,034	$3,802,478	$9,400	$27,900	$561,656	2	6	10
	TOTAL	**$363,038,897**	**$394,911,804**	**$374,098,813**	**$2,429,333**	**$4,023,454**	**$3,960,082**	**$46,325,365**	**$480,400**	**$3,529,824**	**$2,544,861**	**28**	**69**	**150**

POI=Percentage of Income (1% of Income to General Operating Fund) WO=World Outreach

				Membership		Avg. Worship Attendance		Avg. Virtual Attendance		Professions of Faith		Adult	Infant/Child
	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	Amazing Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Highland Heights	OH	112	82	45	52	20	17	6	0	0	3
2	Ardara Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Ardara	PA	102	102	62	63	16	14	1	1	2	0
3	Bay Presbyterian Church	Bay Village	OH	975	926	580	587	151	215	40	0	1	18
4	Bellefield Presbyterian Church	Pittsburgh	PA	257	262	240	207	56	33	0	0	1	2
5	Bergen Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Bergen	NY	77	75	56	55	11	10	0	0	0	0
6	Bethany Presbyterian Church	Mercer	PA	140	139	101	111	12	21	13	0	8	2
7	Bethel Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Enon Valley	PA	230	218	160	162	10	10	5	0	0	6
8	Bethel Presbyterian Church &	Prosperity	PA		85		79		0	1	0	0	0
9	Bridge City Church *&!	Cleveland	OH										
10	Calvin Presbyterian Church ^	Ellwood City	PA	79	82	65	74	4	5	7	3	0	1
11	Center Church *	Grove City	PA	49		41		11					
12	Colonial Village Presbyterian Church	Niagara Falls	NY	63	62	32	32	15	15	0	0	0	0
13	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Ligonier	PA	258	176	95	120	5	7	5	0	0	3
14	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Sharon	PA	339	316	185	175	100	80	1	5	1	2
15	CUP Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Beaver Falls	PA	118	115	59	59	6	6	0	0	0	0
16	Evangelical Presbyterian Stone Church	Caledonia	NY	61	59	70	70	2	2	0	0	0	1
17	First Presbyterian Church of Barton	Barton	MD	45	44	25	25	10	12	1	0	0	2
18	First Presbyterian Church	Beaver	PA	781	781	510	546	200	300	7	6	4	19
19	First Presbyterian Church of Bakerstown	Bakerstown	PA	393	389	116	103	92	92	0	0	0	0
20	First Presbyterian Church of Bentleyville	Bentleyville	PA	122	126	58	64	5	5	5	1	1	1
21	First Presbyterian Church of Lonaconing	Lonaconing	MD	68	67	51	52	30	30	0	0	0	0
22	Gateway Church *&	Slippery Rock	PA										
23	Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church &!	Pittsburgh	PA		119		105		0	0	0	0	14
24	Graystone Presbyterian Church	Indiana	PA	382	374	224	225	65	65	2	2	1	1
25	Hanover Presbyterian Church	Clinton	PA	66	66	55	55	50	30	2	0	0	0
26	Harmony Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Harrisville	PA	62	58	43	39	10	10	0	0	0	0
27	Hebron Church &!	Pittsburgh	PA		363		207		15	12	1	0	7
28	Hickory United Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Hickory	PA	248	254	179	177	15	15	8	1	2	5
29	Hillside Presbyterian Church *&	Greenville	PA										
30	Hope for Renewal +	Youngstown	OH	60	60	40	40	0	0	2	0	2	0
31	Hope Presbyterian Church !	Columbus	OH	59	95	100	110	11	16	0	8	1	5
32	Hudson Presbyterian Church	Hudson	OH	91	85	73	80	20	20	6	1	1	3
33	Knox Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Kenmore	NY										
34	Lancaster Presbyterian Church	Lancaster	NY	170	155	132	132	204	101	3	0	0	1
35	Lebanon Church: An Evangelical Church	West Mifflin	PA	175	154	55	60	15	15	9	0	1	0
36	Leicester Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Leicester	NY	21	20	15	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
37	Lighthouse Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Richmond	OH	25	23	35	33	5	7	0	0	0	0
38	Manor Presbyterian Church *&	Manor	PA										
39	Memorial Park Presbyterian Church	Allison Park	PA	1,251	1,240	624	522	188	193	0	9	1	7
40	Middle Sandy Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Homeworth	OH	69		42		5					

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	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
41	Mill Creek Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Hookstown	Hookstown	PA	91	89	55	51	21	21	4	0	2	1
42	Mount Perry Presbyterian Church	Mount Perry	OH	60	65	40	42	0	0	4	4	0	0
43	Mountville Presbyterian Church *	Portersville	PA	96		40		0					
44	Mt Olivet Presbyterian Church	Aliquippa	PA	287	215	100	100	120	120	2	5	3	6
45	Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church	Aliquippa	PA	118	98	79	81	10	10	0	1	0	2
46	Mt. Lebanon Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Pittsburgh	PA	352	330	180	172	189	147	0	7	0	5
47	Mt. Pleasant Church	Aliquippa	PA	273	250	208	241	180	180	20	6	1	7
48	Muddy Creek Presbyterian Church	Butler	PA	87	86	49	46	3	3	2	0	1	0
49	Natrona Heights Presbyterian Church *^	Natrona Heights	PA	113		48		10					
50	New Albany Presbyterian Church	New Albany	OH	464	481	523	527	74	97	35	18	2	12
51	New Bedford Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Pulaski	PA	225	225	150	150	47	47				
52	New Covenant Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	New Castle	PA	103		64		4					
53	New Hope Church	Pittsburgh	PA	60	65	40	30	0	0	61	4	3	2
54	North Park EPC	Wexford	PA	302	292	274	250	123	100	4	2	0	5
55	Peters Creek Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Venetia	PA	265	172	155	143	12	12	2	5	0	5
56	Petrolia Presbyterian Church *&	Petrolia	PA										
57	Pierpont Presbyterian Church	Pierpont	OH	86	61	70	57	120	152	0	0	3	2
58	Pine Run Presbyterian Church	Apollo	PA	100	98	59	62	0	0	4	0	0	0
59	Redeemer Presbyterian Church +	Erie	PA	31	31	27	33		0	0	0	0	0
60	Round Hill Presbyterian Church	Elizabeth	PA	99	95	36	42	8	12	1	0	0	1
61	Shiloh Presbyterian Church	St. Marys	PA	139	99	45	50	10	10	0	0	0	1
62	St. Paul's Presbyterian Church	Somerset	PA	532	523	436	488	112	110	8	12	5	13
63	Starkdale Presbyterian Church	Wintersville	OH	93	91	70	70	0	0	0	0	0	0
64	Stow Presbyterian Church *	Stow	OH										
65	Summit Presbyterian Church *	Butler	PA	214		72		35					
66	Tabernacle Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Youngstown	OH	75	75	85	80	8	8	0	0	2	1
67	The Presbyterian Church of Portersville	Portersville	PA	162	165	102	99	53	56	1	0	0	1
68	The SOMA Gathering	Beaver Falls	PA	95	74	120	90	0	0	0	0	0	1
69	Unionville Presbyterian Church	Butler	PA	84	79	58	55	4	4	1	0	0	1
70	Venice Presbyterian Church	McDonald	PA	117	117	95	100	17	15	3	0	0	1
71	Windy Gap Presbyterian Church	West Finley	PA	41	42	38	43	0	0	1	0	1	0
		TOTAL		**11,712**	**11,090**	**7,486**	**7,535**	**2,504**	**2,465**	**289**	**102**	**50**	**170**

*2025 Report Not Submitted &2024 Report Not Submitted !Received or Constituted 2025 ^Transitional +Mission Church -Dissolved or Dismissed Gray areas represent non-reporting churches

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	Church	City	State	Income to General Operating fund	Tithes and Offerings	Local Program and Operating Expenses	POI 2025	Presbytery Giving	WO Giving 2025	Non-EPC Missions and Outreach Giving	Church Planting: Presbytery Church Plants	Church Planting: Direct to EPC	Church Planting: Direct to Non-EPC	Parent	Partner	Patron
1	Amazing Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Highland Heights	OH	$272,816	$272,816	$306,182	$2,576	$4,456	$0	$20,594		$2,000				Yes
2	Ardara Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Ardara	PA	$106,977	$103,613	$121,876	$0	$1,515	$1,000	$6,636	$0	$0	$0			
3	Bay Presbyterian Church	Bay Village	OH	$2,915,110	$3,021,876	$2,546,093	$29,843	$13,995	$0	$296,541		$1,500,000		Yes		
4	Bellefield Presbyterian Church	Pittsburgh	PA	$891,535	$906,591	$917,653	$6,705	$3,855	$0	$135,011	$0	$0	$0			
5	Bergen Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Bergen	NY	$220,117	$220,117	$192,833	$2,481	$3,190	$1,792	$22,094	$0	$0	$0			
6	Bethany Presbyterian Church	Mercer	PA	$512,633	$370,681	$491,935	$3,850	$18,880	$0	$53,457	$0	$0	$0			
7	Bethel Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Enon Valley	PA	$305,401	$305,401	$303,107	$4,924	$8,360	$0	$51,816	$7,245	$7,245	$0		Yes	
8	Bethel Presbyterian Church &	Prosperity	PA	$189,329	$189,329	$191,238	$2,013	$3,783	$0	$20,850	$0	$1,000	$0			Yes
9	Bridge City Church *&!	Cleveland	OH				$0		$0							
10	Calvin Presbyterian Church ^	Ellwood City	PA	$272,272	$135,122	$252,139	$0	$15,735	$0	$33,341		$5,972				Yes
11	Center Church *	Grove City	PA				$0		$0							
12	Colonial Village Presbyterian Church	Niagara Falls	NY	$106,220	$107,820	$55,467	$970	$3,677	$303	$5,985	$300	$0	$0			Yes
13	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Ligonier	PA	$317,235	$282,297	$397,350	$5,321	$4,062	$1,500	$22,679	$0	$0	$0			
14	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Sharon	PA	$513,749	$513,749	$475,666	$8,773	$25,835	$0	$48,535	$2,400				Yes	
15	CUP Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Beaver Falls	PA	$234,112	$209,476	$215,464	$5,537	$9,764	$8,000	$17,787	$0	$1,000	$0			Yes
16	Evangelical Presbyterian Stone Church	Caledonia	NY	$85,190	$85,190	$81,545	$826	$1,696	$0	$2,440						
17	First Presbyterian Church of Barton	Barton	MD	$4,871	$45,848	$56,635	$0	$450	$0	$4,979						
18	First Presbyterian Church	Beaver	PA	$1,506,150	$1,506,150	$1,235,695	$0	$11,780	$3,000	$222,949		$28,000		Yes	Yes	
19	First Presbyterian Church of Bakerstown	Bakerstown	PA	$524,417	$515,316	$553,076	$7,604	$8,370	$0	$18,690	$0	$0	$0			
20	First Presbyterian Church of Bentleyville	Bentleyville	PA	$163,922	$154,396	$156,739	$1,706	$7,028	$2,168	$19,610	$0	$0	$0			
21	First Presbyterian Church of Lonaconing	Lonaconing	MD	$38,107	$110,763	$124,781	$783	$3,303	$0	$8,730	$0	$0	$0			
22	Gateway Church *&	Slippery Rock	PA				$0		$0							
23	Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church &!	Pittsburgh	PA	$280,764	$280,764	$285,792	$0	$0	$0	$12,575	$0	$0	$1,000			
24	Graystone Presbyterian Church	Indiana	PA	$705,058	$693,924	$643,325	$6,533	$60,894	$3,557	$159,390						
25	Hanover Presbyterian Church	Clinton	PA	$205,969	$205,969	$186,829	$1,645	$2,575	$0	$6,429	$0	$0	$0			
26	Harmony Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Harrisville	PA	$147,640	$147,640	$137,467	$1,205	$2,116	$0	$18,437	$1,425	$2,600			Yes	Yes
27	Hebron Church &!	Pittsburgh	PA	$951,975	$935,975	$1,003,304	$0	$0	$0	$94,418						
28	Hickory United Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Hickory	PA	$510,185	$490,560	$446,736	$4,570	$8,170	$0	$87,588						
29	Hillside Presbyterian Church *&	Greenville	PA				$1,301		$1,095							
30	Hope for Renewal +	Youngstown	OH	$252,883	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
31	Hope Presbyterian Church !	Columbus	OH	$340,035	$310,827	$340,296	$0	$1,140	$100	$26,298	$0	$0	$0			
32	Hudson Presbyterian Church	Hudson	OH	$443,481	$418,177	$384,892	$0	$22,835	$16,000	$18,625						
33	Knox Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Kenmore	NY				$0		$0							
34	Lancaster Presbyterian Church	Lancaster	NY	$441,656	$441,656	$458,100	$4,075	$24,020	$4,890	$33,430						
35	Lebanon Church: An Evangelical Church	West Mifflin	PA	$382,102	$382,102	$345,158	$0	$5,305	$0	$13,796	$0	$0	$0			
36	Leicester Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Leicester	NY	$55,620	$40,815	$59,747	$642	$1,726	$600	$3,754	$0	$200	$0			Yes
37	Lighthouse Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Richmond	OH	$101,738	$101,738	$97,814	$794	$1,469	$0	$3,697						
38	Manor Presbyterian Church *&	Manor	PA				$0		$0							
39	Memorial Park Presbyterian Church	Allison Park	PA	$2,587,591	$2,453,205	$2,457,252	$24,532	$43,378	$20,505	$437,408	$0	$0	$0			

40	Middle Sandy Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Homeworth	OH				$300		$1,140								
41	Mill Creek Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Hookstown	Hookstown	PA	$164,016	$211,166	$182,568	$1,638	$6,026	$2,634	$8,816	$0	$1,138	$0			
42	Mount Perry Presbyterian Church	Mount Perry	OH	$0	$63,599	$43,131	$0	$1,151	$0	$1,421	$566	$0	$0			Yes
43	Mountville Presbyterian Church *	Portersville	PA				$950		$819								Yes
44	Mt Olivet Presbyterian Church	Aliquippa	PA	$219,338	$219,338	$192,726	$2,130	$4,185	$800	$9,257						
45	Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church	Aliquippa	PA	$272,927	$260,678	$425,944	$1,000	$2,000	$0	$70,569	$500	$0	$0		Yes	Yes
46	Mt. Lebanon Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Pittsburgh	PA	$868,315	$774,960	$1,057,891	$0	$16,800	$0	$208,178	$0	$5,400	$12,000		Yes	Yes
47	Mt. Pleasant Church	Aliquippa	PA	$604,791	$570,167	$595,190	$5,831	$10,229	$0	$71,054		$5,000				Yes
48	Muddy Creek Presbyterian Church	Butler	PA	$115,211	$115,211	$104,275	$0	$1,305	$0	$3,223	$0	$0	$0			
49	Natrona Heights Presbyterian Church *^	Natrona Heights	PA				$0		$0							
50	New Albany Presbyterian Church	New Albany	OH	$2,176,000	$2,569,146	$1,748,683	$0		$0	$231,316		$12,000				Yes
51	New Bedford Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Pulaski	PA	$288,436	$283,193	$288,012	$3,049	$2,677	$0	$54,192	$2,500					Yes
52	New Covenant Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	New Castle	PA				$819		$2,310							
53	New Hope Church	Pittsburgh	PA	$4,650	$91,823	$136,392	$0	$750	$0	$3,447						
54	North Park EPC	Wexford	PA	$1,038,627	$1,038,627	$944,836	$9,525	$4,500	$30,370	$93,774	$0	$500	$0			

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55	Peters Creek Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Venetia	PA	$563,741	$622,387	$663,942	$4,830	$19,825	$0	$50,087	$0	$0	$0			
56	Petrolia Presbyterian Church *&	Petrolia	PA				$0		$0							
57	Pierpont Presbyterian Church	Pierpont	OH	$142,775	$142,775	$140,949	$2,047	$3,382	$2,311	$18,911	$0	$0	$0			
58	Pine Run Presbyterian Church	Apollo	PA	$145,017	$145,017	$79,852	$1,200	$1,635	$1,895	$2,812	$0	$0	$0			
59	Redeemer Presbyterian Church +	Erie	PA	$86,841	$86,841	$89,206	$788	$6,105	$2,315	$6,093	$0	$1,000	$0			Yes
60	Round Hill Presbyterian Church	Elizabeth	PA	$148,287	$141,330	$108,982	$2,333	$2,500	$6,500	$14,662	$0	$0	$0			
61	Shiloh Presbyterian Church	St. Marys	PA	$523,547	$349,393	$361,168	$3,600	$11,000	$3,800	$26,760					Yes	
62	St. Paul's Presbyterian Church	Somerset	PA	$1,048,928	$1,060,150	$774,217	$11,844	$11,156	$22,529	$243,546	$0	$0	$0			
63	Starkdale Presbyterian Church	Wintersville	OH	$306,525	$306,525	$339,011	$0	$1,200	$1,200	$15,970						
64	Stow Presbyterian Church *	Stow	OH				$2,564		$0							Yes
65	Summit Presbyterian Church *	Butler	PA				$0		$697							
66	Tabernacle Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Youngstown	OH	$463,843		$432,631	$3,523	$4,692	$12,301	$42,570	$0	$8,000	$0	Yes		Yes
67	The Presbyterian Church of Portersville	Portersville	PA	$260,295	$253,837	$196,117	$2,984	$6,266	$0	$47,208	$0	$0	$0			
68	The SOMA Gathering	Beaver Falls	PA	$135,935	$126,435	$144,000	$1,252	$1,200	$0	$6,655						
69	Unionville Presbyterian Church	Butler	PA		$91,728	$71,490	$1,932	$3,600	$1,600	$8,346						
70	Venice Presbyterian Church	McDonald	PA	$312,239	$257,248	$250,095	$0	$3,893	$0	$40,165						
71	Windy Gap Presbyterian Church	West Finley	PA	$29,740	$113,820	$159,713	$1,709	$4,000	$2,400	$24,711	$0	$600	$0			
		TOTAL		**$26,506,883**	**$25,855,297**	**$25,053,208**	**$195,055**	**$453,439**	**$160,131**	**$3,232,311**	**$14,936**	**$1,581,655**	**$13,000**	**3**	**7**	**17**

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				Membership		Avg. Worship Attendance		Avg. Virtual Attendance		Professions of Faith		Adult	Infant/Child
	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	Altan Presbyterian Church	Monroe	NC	59	57	31	31	0					
2	Asheville Hope Community Church +	Asheville	NC	0	0	35	40	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Banks Presbyterian Church &	Marvin	NC		59		46		12	0	0	0	0
4	Bensalem Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Eagle Springs	NC	74	74	73	78	162	188	2		2	2
5	Benton Heights Presbyterian Church	Monroe	NC	384	410	215	237	26	29	2	2	5	20
6	Bethlehem Presbyterian Church	Monroe	NC	86	88	62	72	4	23	7	1	1	1
7	Buck Hill Presbyterian Church &	Newland	NC		36		36		24	2	0	0	0
8	Cameronian Presbyterian Church ^	Rockingham	NC	53	53	48	48	92	208	1	0	0	0
9	Centre Presbyterian Church	Mooresville	NC	132	123	65	65	45	50	1	1	1	2
10	Christ Church EPC	Anderson	SC	65	65	67	71	15	20	1	0	1	0
11	Christ Community Church - Montreat	Montreat	NC	517	441	514	351	20	60	21	0	0	1
12	Christ Fellowship Church &	Southern Pines	NC		34		30		0	6	0	0	0
13	Garden Memorial Presbyterian Church &	Charlotte	NC		29		23		0	0	0	0	0
14	Grace Brevard &	Brevard	NC		107		153		5	0	0	0	0
15	Greenville Presbyterian Church ^	Donalds	SC	129	127	80	60	0	0	1	3	1	
16	Hendersonville Presbyterian Church	Hendersonville	NC	275	257	169	120	122	156				1
17	Kershaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kershaw	SC	54	37	40	35	3	4	1			
18	Lake Forest Family of Churches (aggregate)	Huntersville	NC	2,258	1,879	3,492	*3,848*	1,545	*1,255*	4	4	46	27
18.1	LFC - Huntersville	Huntersville	NC				1,792		713				
18.2	LFC - WestLake	WestLake	NC				1,742		542				
18.3	LFC - El Buen Samaritano +	Huntington Green	NC				110						
18.4	LFC - Ucity The Church +	Ucity	NC				105						
18.5	LFC - Trinity Forest +	Concord	NC				99						
19	Lighthouse Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Mooresville	NC	84		60		2					
20	McBee Presbyterian Church	McBee	SC	60	64	53	60	2	2	3	3	1	3
21	McLean Presbyterian Church	Ellerbe	NC	61	52	47	44	10	10	0	1	0	3
22	Nell Townsend Presbyterian Church	Anderson	SC	11	12	36	36			1		0	
23	New Cut Presbyterian Church *	Lancaster	SC			16							
24	Overbrook Presbyterian Church	Gaffney	SC	46	52	38	40	2	0				
25	Riceville Valley Community Church	Asheville	NC	45	44	41	41	21	16	2	0	1	0
26	Rocky River Presbyterian Church *&	Calhoun Falls	SC										
27	Rourk Presbyterian Church	Ellerbe	NC	63	67	54	56	15	12	2	0	0	0
28	Siler Presbyterian Church	Wesley Chapel	NC	376		202		72					
29	St. Giles EPC *&	Charlotte	NC										
30	St. Matthews Presbyterian Church *&	St. Matthews	SC										
31	Storyhill Church	Davidson	NC	475	581	791	1,214	235	280	36	7	12	10
32	Threshold Church	Matthews	NC	266	273	191	193	100	85				2

33	Valley Hope Church &	Swannanoa	NC		179		400		11	1	12	1	4

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34	Village Church	Charlotte	NC	35	35	30	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
35	Walkersville Presbyterian Church	Waxhaw	NC	71	75	70	70	200	200	0	1	0	0
36	Warehouse 242	Charlotte	NC	167	161	204	223	70	30	2	3	1	3
37	Warrenton Presbyterian Church	Abbeville	SC	60	55	35	35	0	0	0	0	0	1
		TOTAL		**5,906**	**5,526**	**6,759**	**7,781**	**2,763**	**2,680**	**96**	**38**	**73**	**80**

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1	Altan Presbyterian Church	Monroe	NC	$81,007	$91,649	$63,609	$525	$2,810	$1,385	$14,589						
2	Asheville Hope Community Church +	Asheville	NC	$113,421	$0	$151,060	$0	$0	$0	$38,308	$0	$0	$0			
3	Banks Presbyterian Church &	Marvin	NC	$224,376	$214,385	$185,385	$1,500	$1,500	$9,600	$45,368	$0	$0	$0			
4	Bensalem Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Eagle Springs	NC	$160,896	$160,896	$101,153	$0	$15,200	$16,200	$22,181						
5	Benton Heights Presbyterian Church	Monroe	NC	$559,998	$583,992	$511,035	$5,139	$18,239	$4,500	$52,457	$0	$0	$0			
6	Bethlehem Presbyterian Church	Monroe	NC	$277,201	$277,702	$253,882	$2,878	$7,557	$0	$2,850	$0	$0	$0			
7	Buck Hill Presbyterian Church &	Newland	NC		$64,647	$57,735	$0		$4,833	$3,286	$0	$0	$0			
8	Cameronian Presbyterian Church ^	Rockingham	NC	$121,770	$121,770	$99,581	$0	$1,150	$0	$12,789	$0	$0	$0			
9	Centre Presbyterian Church	Mooresville	NC	$334,703	$333,028	$428,969	$3,309	$5,618	$10,001	$16,360						
10	Christ Church EPC	Anderson	SC		$239,831	$227,326	$900	$1,900	$2,400	$21,400	$0	$0	$0			
11	Christ Community Church - Montreat	Montreat	NC	$1,427,619	$2,097,155	$1,385,282	$15,298	$20,400	$45,394	$172,224	$0	$0	$0			
12	Christ Fellowship Church &	Southern Pines	NC	$51,932	$94,032	$133,340	$750	$3,042	$0	$1,900	$0	$0	$0			
13	Garden Memorial Presbyterian Church &	Charlotte	NC	$29,396	$94,312	$104,635	$945	$3,326	$1,200	$4,800	$0	$0	$0			
14	Grace Brevard &	Brevard	NC	$346,949	$346,949	$341,475	$1,000	$4,300	$0	$52,000	$0	$0	$0		Yes	Yes
15	Greenville Presbyterian Church ^	Donalds	SC	$182,187	$203,151	$195,592	$2,000	$2,500	$7,000	$1,200						
16	Hendersonville Presbyterian Church	Hendersonville	NC	$745,008	$723,817	$569,602	$3,622	$9,054	$1,000	$129,231	$0	$0	$5,000			Yes
17	Kershaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kershaw	SC	$232,536	$232,536	$197,244	$2,000	$2,000	$6,150	$6,382						
18	Lake Forest Family of Churches (aggregate)	Huntersville	NC	$5,207,260	$5,207,260	$4,933,831	$52,390	$104,418	$6,000	$362,713	$0	$287,172	$0	Yes	Yes	Yes
19	Lighthouse Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Mooresville	NC				$0		$103							
20	McBee Presbyterian Church	McBee	SC	$204,797	$204,797	$190,274	$2,500	$18,000	$18,121	$21,993	$0	$0	$0			
21	McLean Presbyterian Church	Ellerbe	NC		$90,037	$85,167	$0	$1,500	$24,417	$7,700	$0	$0	$0			
22	Nell Townsend Presbyterian Church	Anderson	SC	$98,162	$84,249	$63,698	$0		$0	$3,136						
23	New Cut Presbyterian Church *	Lancaster	SC				$700		$1,500							
24	Overbrook Presbyterian Church	Gaffney	SC	$170,129	$165,400	$174,929	$1,650	$2,060	$5,800	$8,000	$0	$0	$0			
25	Riceville Valley Community Church	Asheville	NC	$181,803	$181,803	$139,419	$1,500	$7,720	$4,340	$5,036	$0	$0	$0			
26	Rocky River Presbyterian Church *&	Calhoun Falls	SC				$0		$0							
27	Rourk Presbyterian Church	Ellerbe	NC	$128,244	$139,794	$112,196	$976	$4,196	$1,000	$28,228	$0	$0	$0			
28	Siler Presbyterian Church	Wesley Chapel	NC	$601,056	$656,833	$632,274	$9,000	$18,000	$10,320	$108,496						
29	St. Giles EPC *&	Charlotte	NC				$0		$2,360							
30	St. Matthews Presbyterian Church *&	St. Matthews	SC				$0		$0							
31	Storyhill Church	Davidson	NC	$2,490,261	$2,490,261	$1,723,376	$24,750	$21,000	$0	$426,347		$60,000	$18,000		Yes	Yes
32	Threshold Church	Matthews	NC	$607,290	$635,855	$756,552	$4,008	$4,008	$5,400	$38,404						
33	Valley Hope Church &	Swannanoa	NC	$841,477	$1,670,291	$699,096	$7,895	$9,868	$26,792	$419,610		$31,920		Yes		
34	Village Church	Charlotte	NC	$105,900	$105,900	$106,441	$750	$750	$2,400	$27,548	$0	$0	$0			
35	Walkersville Presbyterian Church	Waxhaw	NC		$211,870	$221,354	$1,659	$3,459	$50	$46,180						
36	Warehouse 242	Charlotte	NC	$890,929	$861,205	$812,335	$3,744		$0	$52,713	$0	$0	$0			
37	Warrenton Presbyterian Church	Abbeville	SC	$70,596	$62,500	$71,805	$0	$702	$1,800	$12,670	$0	$0	$0			

		TOTAL		**$16,486,904**	**$18,647,908**	**$15,729,652**	**$151,387**	**$294,276**	**$220,064**	**$2,166,099**	**$0**	**$379,092**	**$23,000**	**2**	**3**	**4**

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1	All Saints Presbyterian Church *	Memphis	TN	45		35		0					
2	Atoka Presbyterian Church	Atoka	TN	67	67	55	55	0	0	0	0	0	1
3	Central Presbyterian Church	Huntsville	AL	305	307	173	178	40	40	4	5	0	0
4	Chelsea Presbyterian Church +	Chelsea	AL	65	70	55	60			2	1	1	
5	Church of the Cross Birmingham !	Vestavia	AL	4	62	140	160	0	0	0	2	2	4
6	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	Selma	AL	268	298	120	90	0					3
7	Downtown Church	Memphis	TN	241	248	280	280			8	8	0	11
8	Faith Presbyterian Church	Germantown	TN	176	191	103	123	24	0	13	3	2	4
9	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Anna	IL	92	92	65	65	14	5		2		2
10	First Presbyterian Church	Blytheville	AR	18	19	35	40	0	0				
11	First Presbyterian Church	Corinth	MS	488	477	210	225	20	10	0	7	0	7
12	First Presbyterian Church	Covington	TN	161	171	121	122	1	1	0	11	2	0
13	First Presbyterian Church	Greenfield	TN	105	98	79	89	5	0	2	3	0	1
14	First Presbyterian Church	Malden	MO	15	15	11	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	First Presbyterian Church	Opelika	AL	205	241	308	377	57	73	0	7	2	19
16	First Presbyterian Church	Trenton	TN	168	186	105	100	28	25	5	4	1	2
17	First Presbyterian Church	West Memphis	AR	85	85	50	50	4	10	7	1	1	2
18	First Presbyterian Church of Reform !	Reform	AL	15	14	15	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	First Presbyterian Church of Starkville ^	Starkville	MS	328	300	190	150	165	5	1	6	2	3
20	First Presbyterian Church West Point	West Point	MS	140	142	98	95	10	10	0	3	0	1
21	Grace Presbyterian Church	Montgomery	AL	64	68	67	65		20				
22	Highland Heights Presbyterian Church	Arlington	TN	276	289	160	165	214	218	2	4	2	4
23	Hope Church Memphis	Cordova	TN	5,809	5,541	4,034	3,820	2,683	2,800	18	11	22	57
24	Hope Church of Carbondale	Carbondale	IL	68	62	110	105	11	7	1	0	1	0
25	Iglesia Presbiteriana Esperanza *&+	Memphis	TN										
26	Koinonia Church !	Nashville	TN	153	152	160	163	121	120	0	4	2	3
27	Ramsay Memorial Church	Notasulga	AL	25	25	23	23	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	Restoration Church	Munford	TN	217	222	186	188	60	80	7	14	2	5
29	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN	2,421	2,466	1,006	1,009	174	167	10	43	5	33
30	St. Patrick Presbyterian Church	Collierville	TN	492	494	312	280	65	65	0	12	0	7
31	The Avenue Community Church +	Memphis	TN	214	221	206	220	4	8	0	10	0	8
32	Tunica Presbyterian Church	Tunica	MS	130	130	103	109	5	50	0	1	0	3
33	Vineyard Church Auburn *&+	Auburn	AL										
34	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN	123	110	50	70	5	10	0	4	0	1
35	Woodlands Presbyterian Church	Hot Springs Village	AR	115	101	93	90	0	8	14	0	0	0
		TOTAL		**13,098**	**12,964**	**8,758**	**8,591**	**3,710**	**3,732**	**94**	**166**	**47**	**181**

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1	All Saints Presbyterian Church *	Memphis	TN				$0		$2,400							
2	Atoka Presbyterian Church	Atoka	TN	$150,000	$150,000	$123,000	$1,415	$1,340	$9,000	$2,400	$0	$14,200	$0		Yes	Yes
3	Central Presbyterian Church	Huntsville	AL	$939,224	$1,176,212	$1,480,512	$6,120	$6,305	$20,762	$230,988		$98,515		Yes	Yes	Yes
4	Chelsea Presbyterian Church +	Chelsea	AL	$200,000	$125,000		$0		$0							
5	Church of the Cross Birmingham !	Vestavia	AL	$539,794	$539,794	$555,143	$0	$0	$0	$23,976	$0	$31,567	$0		Yes	Yes
6	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	Selma	AL	$492,752	$447,026	$569,151	$11,494		$0	$26,382						
7	Downtown Church	Memphis	TN	$888,348	$888,348	$892,887	$5,000	$18,200	$5,050	$44,079	$4,300					
8	Faith Presbyterian Church	Germantown	TN	$635,756	$542,645	$773,450	$5,000	$4,000	$11,580	$99,936	$2,000					Yes
9	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Anna	IL	$215,322	$215,322	$203,100	$2,139	$1,581	$2,000	$13,150						
10	First Presbyterian Church	Blytheville	AR	$106,552	$106,552	$77,378	$0	$500	$0	$1,000	$0	$0	$0			Yes
11	First Presbyterian Church	Corinth	MS	$1,120,763	$1,092,823	$830,654	$10,286	$9,800	$84,000	$75,150	$3,175	$0	$0			Yes
12	First Presbyterian Church	Covington	TN	$438,541	$438,541	$742,582	$3,000	$3,300	$11,400	$10,525	$0	$5,100	$0	Yes		Yes
13	First Presbyterian Church	Greenfield	TN	$0	$237,877	$191,261	$2,070	$3,420	$0	$15,500	$0	$0	$0			Yes
14	First Presbyterian Church	Malden	MO	$22,030	$22,030	$41,643	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
15	First Presbyterian Church	Opelika	AL	$1,072,909	$1,151,780	$1,010,462	$6,210	$18,550	$4,900	$78,600	$0	$13,125	$0	Yes		Yes
16	First Presbyterian Church	Trenton	TN	$290,740	$348,037	$283,069	$2,640	$6,545	$0	$2,022	$0	$0	$0			
17	First Presbyterian Church	West Memphis	AR	$201,115	$196,693	$236,223	$2,148	$3,296	$1,800	$1,200						
18	First Presbyterian Church of Reform !	Reform	AL	$138,808	$27,651	$41,012	$0	$0	$0	$7,968	$0	$0	$0			
19	First Presbyterian Church of Starkville ^	Starkville	MS	$1,200,978	$1,185,012	$971,968	$0	$6,600	$19,007	$64,390						Yes
20	First Presbyterian Church West Point	West Point	MS	$512,027	$521,027	$432,332	$4,155	$2,380	$9,708	$64,203	$2,500	$0	$3,000			Yes
21	Grace Presbyterian Church	Montgomery	AL	$303,790	$280,406	$345,641	$0	$500	$5,875	$36,372						Yes
22	Highland Heights Presbyterian Church	Arlington	TN	$525,776	$550,773	$552,001	$5,488	$5,520	$2,400	$35,280						
23	Hope Church Memphis	Cordova	TN	$12,506,355	$12,186,523	$11,778,535	$120,000	$150,000	$9,635	$355,887	$0	$0	$0			
24	Hope Church of Carbondale	Carbondale	IL	$375,947	$375,947	$266,111	$0	$3,760	$5,487	$25,191	$0	$0	$0			
25	Iglesia Presbiteriana Esperanza *&+	Memphis	TN				$0		$0							
26	Koinonia Church !	Nashville	TN		$387,237	$351,630	$0		$0	$3,061						
27	Ramsay Memorial Church	Notasulga	AL	$40,630	$45,740	$36,912	$0	$600	$0	$5,070	$0	$0	$0			
28	Restoration Church	Munford	TN	$642,025	$515,491	$654,046	$4,652	$4,400	$0	$4,652	$0	$0	$0			
29	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN	$11,826,919	$15,297,068	$11,039,272	$78,425	$45,160	$146,495	$8,109,050		$225,287		Yes		
30	St. Patrick Presbyterian Church	Collierville	TN	$1,834,560	$1,834,560	$1,843,560	$7,370	$6,000	$0	$122,288	$25,000	$16,250	$2,500	Yes	Yes	Yes
31	The Avenue Community Church +	Memphis	TN	$684,000	$846,735	$749,497	$0	$0	$1,210	$18,862	$0	$0	$0			
32	Tunica Presbyterian Church	Tunica	MS	$625,000	$600,000	$455,000	$5,050	$50,000	$9,000	$100,000	$25,000	$11,000	$12,500			Yes
33	Vineyard Church Auburn *&+	Auburn	AL				$0		$3,000						Yes	Yes
34	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN	$5,577	$478,300	$474,284	$0	$2,500	$13,000	$11,631			$5,000			Yes
35	Woodlands Presbyterian Church	Hot Springs Village	AR	$287,358	$278,751	$284,448	$2,342	$1,955	$0	$34,085						Yes
		TOTAL		**$38,823,595**	**$43,089,902**	**$38,286,763**	**$285,003**	**$356,212**	**$377,708**	**$9,622,898**	**$61,975**	**$415,044**	**$23,000**	**5**	**5**	**17**

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				Membership		Avg. Worship Attendance		Avg. Virtual Attendance		Professions of Faith		Adult	Infant/Child
	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	Antioch Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	NC	45	44	25	25	5	5	0	1	0	1
2	Bethel Presbyterian Church	Raeford	NC	37	40	31	31	0	0	3	3	0	1
3	Bishopville Presbyterian Church	Bishopville	SC	99	99	58	64					0	0
4	Boulevard Church &+	Henrico	VA		0		40		0	0	5	0	0
5	Christ the King Community Church	Durham	NC	102	106	94	93	14	20	6	0	2	0
6	Concord Presbyterian Church	Sumter	SC	113	101	52	49	24	18	0	4	0	0
7	Cornerstone Church of Goldsboro *&	Goldsboro	NC										
8	Cypress Springs Presbyterian Church *&	Cameron	NC										
9	Darlington Presbyterian Church	Darlington	SC	387	381	111	116	29	16	5	1	2	4
10	Englewood Presbyterian Church	Rocky Mount	NC	145	150	65	70	20	20	0	0	0	0
11	Forest Hills EPC	Wilson	NC	47	50	37	42	21	30	2	0	0	1
12	Galatia Presbyterian Church ^	Fayetteville	NC	111	125	68	76	0	0	2	6	1	0
13	Grove Presbyterian Church, EPC	Dunn	NC	92	91	45	50	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Harvest Church &!+	Garner	NC		36		35		0	1	35	0	0
15	Hollywood Church, EPC	Greenville	NC	68	56	60	57	25	26				
16	Hope Church *&+	Mt Pleasant	SC										
17	Hope Church Raleigh *	Raleigh	NC	33		40		6					
18	Hope Church Richmond	Richmond	VA	1,981	2,135	2,381	2,602	389	387	9	68	37	46
19	Hope Presbyterian Church VA	Fredericksburg	VA	415	410	284	288	150	175	1	7	0	4
20	Hopewell Presbyterian Church	Florence	SC	54	54	36	37	5	5	0	0	0	0
21	Kempsville Presbyterian Church	Virginia Beach	VA	200	205	175	195	40	35	5	0	0	4
22	Midway Evangelical Presbyterian Church	New Zion	SC	103	102	55	55	35	35	0	0	0	2
23	Myrtle Grove Presbyterian Church	Wilmington	NC	301	294	228	231	50	50	4	0	3	7
24	New Covenant Evangelical Presbyterian Church &+	Burgaw	NC		25		20		12	6	2	4	0
25	Oak Island Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Oak Island	NC	168	156	106	95	22	29	16	0	0	0
26	Olivia Evangelical Presbyterian Church !	Olivia	NC	60	57	55	60	10	10	0	0	0	0
27	Peace Church	Durham	NC	26	26	38	43	3	2	0	0	1	0
28	Pineland Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	NC	107	115	80	90	3	4	8	1	1	1
29	Providence Presbyterian Church	Angier	NC	199	198	141	149	10	10	2	0	0	3
30	Restoration Church &+	Mechanicsville	VA		165		177		10	17	7	0	1
31	Rockville Presbyterian Church *&	Wadmalaw Island	SC										
32	The Branch &+	Ashland	VA		50		30		5	0	0	0	1
33	The Fellowship of Christ	Cary	NC	124	128	121	117	27	30	1	0	0	1
34	The Village Church of St. George &+	St. George	SC				25				2		2
35	Trinity Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Florence	SC	350	370	280	334	275	295	31	9	7	1
36	Victoria Presbyterian Church +	Victoria	VA	18	17	12	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
37	Wayside Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Cameron	NC	33	28	21	19	18	12	0	0	0	0
38	Wesley Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Weems	VA	31	28	30	27	450	750	0	0	3	0
		TOTAL		**5,449**	**5,842**	**4,729**	**5,357**	**1,631**	**1,991**	**119**	**151**	**61**	**80**

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1	Antioch Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	NC		$30,659	$21,573	$0	$600	$0	$10,457						Yes
2	Bethel Presbyterian Church	Raeford	NC		$76,475	$79,627	$1,451		$0	$1,340	$0	$0	$0			
3	Bishopville Presbyterian Church	Bishopville	SC	$221,683	$221,683	$211,921	$1,896	$4,991	$1,200	$9,723	$0	$0	$0			
4	Boulevard Church &+	Henrico	VA	$224,000	$224,000	$224,000	$0	$0	$0	$3,600	$0	$0	$0			
5	Christ the King Community Church	Durham	NC	$650,240	$400,240	$516,756	$0	$3,219	$2,000	$53,818	$0	$0	$0			
6	Concord Presbyterian Church	Sumter	SC	$441,722	$441,722	$155,679	$0	$12,434	$3,600	$9,400	$0	$0	$0			
7	Cornerstone Church of Goldsboro *&	Goldsboro	NC				$3,000		$0							
8	Cypress Springs Presbyterian Church *&	Cameron	NC				$3,366		$0							
9	Darlington Presbyterian Church	Darlington	SC	$1,279,356	$1,293,821	$976,153	$10,165	$112,005	$80,060	$187,077						
10	Englewood Presbyterian Church	Rocky Mount	NC	$376,743	$376,743	$121,787	$3,300	$13,941	$6,770	$9,171	$0	$0	$0			
11	Forest Hills EPC	Wilson	NC	$145,464	$145,464	$145,464	$1,256	$1,175	$3,650	$0	$1,800	$1,200	$0		Yes	Yes
12	Galatia Presbyterian Church ^	Fayetteville	NC	$280,986	$280,986	$263,606	$2,603	$2,657	$1,000	$30,229	$0	$0	$0			
13	Grove Presbyterian Church, EPC	Dunn	NC	$158,678	$158,678	$160,000	$1,623	$6,000	$1,000	$10,300	$0	$0	$0			
14	Harvest Church &!+	Garner	NC	$271,166	$271,166	$203,593	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
15	Hollywood Church, EPC	Greenville	NC	$168,015	$184,336	$214,002	$0	$4,200	$0	$2,800						
16	Hope Church *&+	Mt Pleasant	SC				$0		$0							
17	Hope Church Raleigh *	Raleigh	NC				$2,451		$3,012							
18	Hope Church Richmond	Richmond	VA	$7,543,069	$7,543,069	$6,732,849	$49,100	$98,200	$33,496	$611,190	$0	$54,000	$62,000			Yes
19	Hope Presbyterian Church VA	Fredericksburg	VA	$1,053,540	$1,053,540	$852,539	$11,248	$8,948	$22,299	$129,666	$0	$3,500	$0			Yes
20	Hopewell Presbyterian Church	Florence	SC	$124,456	$114,276	$149,888	$1,174	$1,174	$2,000	$7,356	$0	$0	$0			
21	Kempsville Presbyterian Church	Virginia Beach	VA	$1,109,539	$862,205	$955,494	$8,400	$9,000	$33,205	$57,575	$0	$0	$0			
22	Midway Evangelical Presbyterian Church	New Zion	SC	$185,918	$185,918	$174,928	$0	$1,758	$0	$15,978	$0	$750	$0			
23	Myrtle Grove Presbyterian Church	Wilmington	NC	$824,000	$824,000	$634,000	$7,539	$8,200	$6,000	$134,000	$0	$0	$0		Yes	
24	New Covenant Evangelical Presbyterian Church &+	Burgaw	NC	$44,420	$44,420	$28,446	$0	$750	$0	$2,400	$0	$0	$0			
25	Oak Island Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Oak Island	NC	$345,980	$345,980	$293,429	$3,500	$3,500	$0	$29,998	$0	$0	$0			
26	Olivia Evangelical Presbyterian Church !	Olivia	NC	$199,751	$199,751	$366,158	$1,510	$3,396	$0	$10,436	$0	$0	$0			
27	Peace Church	Durham	NC	$133,871	$140,116	$141,542	$1,143	$4,387	$1,600	$7,361	$0	$0	$0			
28	Pineland Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	NC	$300,001	$257,904	$196,696	$2,160	$4,320	$2,600	$6,500						
29	Providence Presbyterian Church	Angier	NC	$376,863	$682,027	$601,599	$3,200	$4,000	$0	$20,505	$0	$3,000	$3,000		Yes	Yes
30	Restoration Church &+	Mechanicsville	VA	$678,573	$671,660	$652,507	$2,052	$6,619	$1,187	$17,103	$0	$0	$0			
31	Rockville Presbyterian Church *&	Wadmalaw Island	SC				$0		$0							
32	The Branch &+	Ashland	VA	$183,822	$181,824	$180,680	$0	$2,957	$0		$0	$0	$0			
33	The Fellowship of Christ	Cary	NC	$528,936	$560,361	$588,387	$2,454	$4,908	$15,225	$41,666	$0	$0	$0			
34	The Village Church of St. George &+	St. George	SC	$51,330	$54,840	$35,590	$0		$616	$3,510						
35	Trinity Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Florence	SC	$1,055,048	$1,301,272	$908,040	$9,807	$12,259	$38,500	$163,012	$24,000	$0	$0			Yes
36	Victoria Presbyterian Church +	Victoria	VA	$34,975	$31,586	$26,371	$273	$921	$0	$2,011	$0	$0	$0			
37	Wayside Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Cameron	NC	$61,826	$59,179	$28,670	$1,212	$2,423	$0	$2,000	$0	$0	$0			
38	Wesley Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Weems	VA	$70,237	$70,237	$59,390	$709	$1,596	$0	$1,100	$0	$0	$0			

		TOTAL		**$19,124,208**	**$19,290,138**	**$16,901,367**	**$136,593**	**$340,539**	**$259,020**	**$1,591,282**	**$25,800**	**$62,450**	**$65,000**	**0**	**3**	**6**

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	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	Argyle Presbyterian Church	Argyle	NY	226	220	149	149	100	100				
2	Ashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Voorhees	NJ										
3	Bellevue Presbyterian Church	Gap	PA	158	153	115	115						
4	Bethany Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Havertown	PA	172	159	135	124	20	20	5	4	6	0
5	Bethlehem Steltz Reformed Church	Glen Rock	PA	110	105	75	75	25	50	0	0	0	2
6	Brick Church Fellowship *	Williamson	NY	31		32		2					
7	Central Presbyterian Church *&	New York	NY										
8	Christ Community Church, EPC &	Highland Lakes	NJ		9		15		0				
9	Christ Presbyterian Church	Springfield	MA	80	80	77	80	10	10	0	2	0	4
10	City Line Church &!	Bala Cynwyd	PA		92		110		2	1	3	2	1
11	Closer to God Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kearny	NJ	86	76	125	120	230	220	5	0	1	0
12	Common Grace Church *&+	Katonah	NY										
13	Covenant Presbyterian Church (The Barn) *	Simsbury	CT	170		200		25					
14	Deerfield Presbyterian Church	Deerfield Street	NJ	68	72	51	63	11	13	0	0	0	1
15	Dundalk Presbyterian Church	Baltimore	MD	98	98	55	60	0	0	2	0	0	1
16	Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Milford	Milford	PA	87	92	60	60	20	10	12		2	6
17	Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Westtown	Westtown	NY	34	32	34	30	3	3	0	0	0	0
18	Fairview Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Glenmoore	PA	96	81	59	52	25	25	0	0	0	0
19	Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church Kingstowne *&	Kingstowne	VA										
20	First Presbyterian Church of South Amboy *&!	Amboy	NJ										
21	Forks of the Brandywine Presbyterian Church *	Glenmoore	PA	111		90		15					
22	Fourth Presbyterian Church	Bethesda	MD	1,293	1,245	943	847	250	275	74		8	19
23	Garwood EPC	Garwood	NJ	65	68	81	90	8	8	3	2	0	2
24	Goodwill Church	Montgomery	NY	781	795	713	690	212	250	34	6	10	9
25	Grace Covenant	Exton	PA		175		126		13	1	0	0	2
26	Great Valley Presbyterian Church	Malvern	PA	249	273	240	250	5	5	0	6	1	2
27	Guinston Presbyterian Church	Airville	PA	206	210	172	175	63	62	9	7	0	0
28	Harrison Presbyterian Church EPC ^	Harrison	NY	76	76	72	70	10	118	0	0	0	1
29	Huntingdon Valley Presbyterian Church	Huntingdon Valley	PA	255	266	71	161	20	8	20	3	3	2
30	Langhorne Presbyterian Church	Langhorne	PA	192	177	105	110	28	20	0	7	0	1
31	Little Britain Presbyterian Church	Peach Bottom	PA	96	99	60	65	8	5	5	3	3	0
32	Living Hope EPC	Haymarket	VA	100	96	124	131	25	20	0	0	0	4
33	Living Word Reformed EPC &!	North Haledon	NJ		49		40		5	0	2	1	0
34	Manoa Community Church	Havertown	PA	214	228	243	247	40	38	35	14	4	9
35	Middle Smithfield Presbyterian Church	East Stroudsburg	PA	86	95	73	82	70	300	8	0	0	0
36	North Point EPC *&	Danvers	MA										
37	Orchard Christian Fellowship &	Londonderry	NH		230		375		75	15	20	50	15
38	Oreland Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Oreland	PA	160	158	114	116	31	32	0	0	0	2
39	Presbyterian Church of Kennett Square	Kennett Square	PA	90	88	65	60	30	40	0	0	0	0

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40	Princetown Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Duanesburg	NY	131	132	158	190	18	20	5		11	0
41	Reston Presbyterian Church	Reston	VA	110	100	125	129	15	22	1	3	0	2
42	Resurrection Clinton Hill *&	Brooklyn	NY										
43	Rosebrook Presbyterian Church &!	Rockville	MD		110		125		5	3	0	3	3
44	Round Hill Presbyterian Church &	Felton	PA		51		35		2	0	1	0	1
45	Silver Lake Christian Community Church	Brackney	PA	40	39	42	37			2	0	0	0
46	The Church at Ridgebury &	State Hill	NY		14		15		0	0	0	0	0
47	The Elm Church EPC *&	Elmhurst	NY										
48	Twin Tiers EPC	Big Flats	NY	39	38	25	28	8	15	4	0	0	0
49	Union Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kirkwood	PA	84	83	63	59	0	0	2	0	1	5
50	Upper Octorara Presbyterian Church	Parkesburg	PA	122	116	93	92	5	4	0	0	1	0
		TOTAL		**5,916**	**6,280**	**4,839**	**5,398**	**1,332**	**1,795**	**246**	**83**	**107**	**94**

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1	Argyle Presbyterian Church	Argyle	NY	$362,706	$362,703	$269,693	$5,198	$16,102	$5,900	$52,850						
2	Ashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Voorhees	NJ				$750		$11,300					Yes		
3	Bellevue Presbyterian Church	Gap	PA	$374,850	$374,850	$356,569	$3,876	$2,067	$9,600	$26,850	$1,000					
4	Bethany Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Havertown	PA	$566,376	$554,091	$546,157	$0	$0	$7,500	$56,518	$0	$0	$0			
5	Bethlehem Steltz Reformed Church	Glen Rock	PA	$199,933	$201,894	$215,945	$1,800	$1,400	$0	$4,245	$500					Yes
6	Brick Church Fellowship *	Williamson	NY				$0		$0							
7	Central Presbyterian Church *&	New York	NY				$0		$0							
8	Christ Community Church, EPC &	Highland Lakes	NJ	$60,871	$60,451	$55,221	$1,984		$0							
9	Christ Presbyterian Church	Springfield	MA	$252,508	$245,969	$214,113	$1,840	$3,680	$1,800	$19,028	$0	$0	$0			
10	City Line Church &!	Bala Cynwyd	PA	$560,732	$554,034	$498,730	$5,342	$5,215	$0	$64,073	$0	$0	$0			
11	Closer to God Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kearny	NJ	$339	$217	$81	$0	$300	$0	$1	$0	$0	$0			
12	Common Grace Church *&+	Katonah	NY				$0		$0							
13	Covenant Presbyterian Church (The Barn) *	Simsbury	CT				$2,500		$0					Yes	Yes	Yes
14	Deerfield Presbyterian Church	Deerfield Street	NJ	$663,452	$226,222	$296,421	$3,000	$17,440	$7,400	$54,763	$0	$0	$0			
15	Dundalk Presbyterian Church	Baltimore	MD	$244,071	$231,403	$244,071	$2,162	$2,162	$0	$480						
16	Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Milford	Milford	PA	$228,657	$208,594	$245,812	$2,697	$3,828	$0	$2,416	$0	$0	$0			
17	Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Westtown	Westtown	NY	$21,229	$48,049	$66,970	$0	$0	$0	$2,000						
18	Fairview Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Glenmoore	PA	$248,309	$224,262	$201,224	$2,575	$2,575	$1,000	$11,750		$1,000				
19	Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church Kingstowne *&	Kingstowne	VA				$3,875		$18,425							
20	First Presbyterian Church of South Amboy *&!	Amboy	NJ				$0		$0							
21	Forks of the Brandywine Presbyterian Church *	Glenmoore	PA				$3,814		$4,000							
22	Fourth Presbyterian Church	Bethesda	MD	$6,805,590	$7,632,272	$6,974,516	$0	$40,999	$114,800	$839,158						
23	Garwood EPC	Garwood	NJ	$220,026	$201,654	$195,183	$1,026	$2,149	$0	$0	$0	$0	$5,000			Yes
24	Goodwill Church	Montgomery	NY	$1,834,617	$2,075,819	$1,958,530	$12,500	$7,500	$26,810	$20,560						
25	Grace Covenant	Exton	PA	$662,654	$639,806	$596,790	$5,822	$10,874	$12,550	$65,549	$0	$0	$0			
26	Great Valley Presbyterian Church	Malvern	PA	$983,560	$1,108,200	$1,030,800	$5,543	$23,132	$12,781	$240,794	$0	$14,456	$7,350		Yes	Yes
27	Guinston Presbyterian Church	Airville	PA	$487,000	$752,546	$431,256	$4,371	$20,021	$6,200	$440,753	$24,000	$0	$6,500			Yes
28	Harrison Presbyterian Church EPC ^	Harrison	NY	$308,466	$166,107	$308,715	$1,646	$2,634	$6,400	$24,050	$0	$1,700	$9,800		Yes	Yes
29	Huntingdon Valley Presbyterian Church	Huntingdon Valley	PA	$446,714	$316,436	$501,548	$2,250	$6,219	$0	$1,023	$1	$2,400	$0	Yes		
30	Langhorne Presbyterian Church	Langhorne	PA	$439,390	$467,275	$487,612	$0	$8,407	$5,405	$71,047	$0	$0	$0			Yes
31	Little Britain Presbyterian Church	Peach Bottom	PA	$194,042	$159,077	$216,717	$2,000	$3,603	$3,100	$37,136						
32	Living Hope EPC	Haymarket	VA	$624,634	$624,634	$432,665	$5,500	$1,500	$7,310	$50,000	$0	$0	$0			
33	Living Word Reformed EPC &!	North Haledon	NJ	$147,630	$0	$202,339	$0	$728	$0	$25,665	$0	$0	$0			
34	Manoa Community Church	Havertown	PA	$1,022,084	$962,703	$953,808	$6,660	$8,356	$20,504	$40,429	$0	$29,734	$2,000		Yes	
35	Middle Smithfield Presbyterian Church	East Stroudsburg	PA	$302,210	$245,810	$239,150	$744	$5,701	$0	$26,084	$0	$0	$0			
36	North Point EPC *&	Danvers	MA				$0		$9,054							
37	Orchard Christian Fellowship &	Londonderry	NH	$741,859	$652,337	$668,000	$0		$3,500	$70,250						
38	Oreland Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Oreland	PA	$858,260	$831,910	$858,260	$3,680	$3,933	$29,600	$71,500		$18,000				

39	Presbyterian Church of Kennett Square	Kennett Square	PA	$51,035	$327,460	$296,952	$2,970	$4,140	$0	$64,804	$0	$3,000	$0			Yes
40	Princetown Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Duanesburg	NY	$666,081	$648,527	$625,907	$2,933	$1,703	$3,160	$70,140						
41	Reston Presbyterian Church	Reston	VA	$535,202	$535,000	$574,557	$2,737	$1,547	$7,000	$8,663	$0	$0	$0			
42	Resurrection Clinton Hill *&	Brooklyn	NY				$0		$0							
43	Rosebrook Presbyterian Church &!	Rockville	MD	$408,839	$408,839	$467,552	$0	$0	$0	$7,200	$0	$0	$12,288		Yes	Yes
44	Round Hill Presbyterian Church &	Felton	PA	$129,809	$123,979	$202,722	$1,700	$3,800	$2,800	$13,515	$0	$0	$0			
45	Silver Lake Christian Community Church	Brackney	PA	$90,205	$90,131	$107,915	$689	$1,659	$450	$6,164	$0	$0	$0			
46	The Church at Ridgebury &	State Hill	NY	$89,089	$89,089	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
47	The Elm Church EPC *&	Elmhurst	NY				$0		$0							
48	Twin Tiers EPC	Big Flats	NY	$77,724	$77,724	$102,905	$1,173	$3,179	$1,242	$9,058	$1,248	$0	$0			
49	Union Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kirkwood	PA	$180,890	$147,647	$188,338	$0	$1,806	$0	$8,168						
50	Upper Octorara Presbyterian Church	Parkesburg	PA	$263,281	$375,994	$248,469	$2,849	$3,106	$1,600	$124,745	$0	$0	$0			
		TOTAL		**$22,354,925**	**$22,953,716**	**$22,082,213**	**$108,206**	**$221,465**	**$341,191**	**$2,631,430**	**$26,749**	**$70,290**	**$42,938**	**3**	**5**	**9**

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	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	Community Presbyterian Church &	Clewiston	FL		30		28		26	0	0	0	0
2	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Tallahassee	Tallahassee	FL	45	36	35	25	10	8	0	0	0	0
3	Faith Community Church of Seminole	Seminole	FL	223	239	200	185	100	100	17	3	0	0
4	First Presbyterian Church &	Fort Myers	FL		187		164		145	15	4	1	1
5	First Presbyterian Church of Orlando	Orlando	FL	3,162	3,252	995	975	981	905	15	26	6	34
6	Glendale Presbyterian Church	DeFuniak Springs	FL	72	72	51	54	20	20	0	1	0	3
7	Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church +	Leesburg	FL	84	84	98	93	30	36	2	0	0	3
8	GracePoint Plant City	Plant City	FL	125	127	110	94	20	9	0	0	2	4
9	Hope Community Church	Pembroke Pines	FL	19	19	45	55	0	1	0	0	0	0
10	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica en Añasco	Añasco	PR	80	70	68	60	50	50	0	0	0	0
11	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Mayagüez	Mayagüez	PR	151	158	95	111	100	125	9	0	4	2
12	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Westminster	Bayamón	PR	285	293	156	140	52	51	14	2	1	2
13	Kirk of the Pines +	Marsh Harbour	Bahamas	26	36	60	62	0	0	0	0	0	1
14	Lucaya Presbyterian Church *&	Freeport	Bahamas										
15	Nación Santa Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Haines City	FL	49	44	50	40	7	50	0	0	0	0
16	New Covenant Church &	Pompano Beach	FL		246		260		100	6	4	6	12
17	New Creation Family Church !	St. Petersburg	FL	42	77	48	56	16	27	3	0	0	3
18	New Hope Presbyterian Church - Fort Myers	Fort Myers	FL	811	865	357	363	94	50	44	0	0	3
19	Providence Church of Spring Hill, Inc	Spring Hill	FL	249	255	305	308	70	0	5	3	1	2
20	River City Church	DeBary	FL	158	171	145	150	50	40	13	0	0	1
21	Seaside Church &!+	Vilano	FL				90		0	3	2		2
22	St. Andrew's Presbyterian Kirk	Nassau	Bahamas	146	154	190	200	80	180	8	0	0	6
23	St. Stephen Presbyterian Church !	Orlando	FL	14	13	15	15	0	0	3			
24	Tampa Covenant Church	Tampa	FL	474	502	270	316	100	100		8	1	14
		TOTAL		**6,215**	**6,930**	**3,293**	**3,844**	**1,780**	**2,023**	**157**	**53**	**22**	**93**

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	Church	City	State	Income to General Operating fund	Tithes and Offerings	Local Program and Operating Expenses	POI 2025	Presbytery Giving	WO Giving 2025	Non-EPC Missions and Outreach Giving	Church Planting: Presbytery Church Plants	Church Planting: Direct to EPC	Church Planting: Direct to Non-EPC	Church Planting: Parent	Church Planting: Partner	Church Planting: Patron
1	Community Presbyterian Church &	Clewiston	FL	$100,000	$100,000	$114,000	$970	$1,930	$100	$4,420	$0	$0	$0			Yes
2	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Tallahassee	Tallahassee	FL	$165,576	$156,865	$160,358	$1,600	$1,600	$0	$6,000	$0	$0	$0			
3	Faith Community Church of Seminole	Seminole	FL	$475,845	$475,845		$0	$2,000	$0	$13,000	$3,000	$0	$0			Yes
4	First Presbyterian Church &	Fort Myers	FL	$547,329	$525,463	$601,089	$0	$1,784	$0	$61,228	$0	$1,000	$0			
5	First Presbyterian Church of Orlando	Orlando	FL	$8,067,403	$10,974,125	$11,114,609	$38,850	$25,000	$6,110	$453,705		$24,000				Yes
6	Glendale Presbyterian Church	DeFuniak Springs	FL	$108,290	$108,290	$104,430	$0	$1,300	$1,000	$8,400	$2,000	$1,000	$8,400			
7	Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church +	Leesburg	FL	$251,169	$251,169	$233,165	$2,200	$2,200	$3,000	$18,865	$0	$2,200	$0			Yes
8	GracePoint Plant City	Plant City	FL	$505,679	$505,679	$543,035	$5,906	$9,220	$2,906	$33,770	$0	$0	$0			
9	Hope Community Church	Pembroke Pines	FL	$318,854	$68,920	$327,268	$2,976	$5,952	$0	$0						
10	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica en Añasco	Añasco	PR		$35,521	$29,516	$0	$1,000	$500							
11	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Mayagüez	Mayagüez	PR	$155,174	$155,174	$134,985	$1,500	$1,790	$800	$2,590	$0	$0	$0			
12	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Westminster	Bayamón	PR	$400,069	$400,069	$249,223	$3,376	$2,252	$709	$3,432	$0	$0	$0			
13	Kirk of the Pines +	Marsh Harbour	Bahamas	$79,805	$79,805	$42,602	$0	$750	$0	$750	$0	$0	$0			
14	Lucaya Presbyterian Church *&	Freeport	Bahamas				$0		$0							
15	Nación Santa Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Haines City	FL	$58,955	$58,955	$45,636	$0		$0							
16	New Covenant Church &	Pompano Beach	FL	$1,061,720	$773,092	$1,175,525	$0	$6,220	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
17	New Creation Family Church !	St. Petersburg	FL	$281,632	$316,935	$440,188	$0	$2,820	$0	$29,150	$0	$0	$6,000		Yes	
18	New Hope Presbyterian Church - Fort Myers	Fort Myers	FL	$1,820,273	$2,175,426	$1,571,190	$18,000	$10,337	$10,000	$286,043						
19	Providence Church of Spring Hill, Inc	Spring Hill	FL	$436,076	$473,153	$477,950	$4,200	$8,400	$0	$2,611	$5,000	$500	$0			Yes
20	River City Church	DeBary	FL	$498,144	$442,169	$496,516	$4,258	$4,050	$0	$58,700	$3,000	$7,000	$0			Yes
21	Seaside Church &!+	Vilano	FL				$0		$0							Yes
22	St. Andrew's Presbyterian Kirk	Nassau	Bahamas	$506,176	$369,915	$559,963	$0	$3,250	$0	$6,650	$2,000	$0	$0	Yes	Yes	Yes
23	St. Stephen Presbyterian Church !	Orlando	FL	$66,139	$27,659	$140,543	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
24	Tampa Covenant Church	Tampa	FL	$1,348,932	$1,323,447	$1,609,788	$15,577	$31,154	$0	$142,475						
		TOTAL		**$17,253,239**	**$19,797,675**	**$20,171,580**	**$99,412**	**$123,009**	**$25,125**	**$1,131,789**	**$15,000**	**$35,700**	**$14,400**	1	2	8

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	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	Avery Presbyterian Church &	Bellevue	NE		107		73		3	0	0	0	0
2	Bathgate Presbyterian Church	Bathgate	ND	74	53	35	35	10	10	0	0	0	0
3	Colonial Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO	1,508	1,505	1,008	997	418	447	1	18	4	35
4	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	Leawood	KS	233	243	173	173	5	7	1	0	1	0
5	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Omaha	Omaha	NE	471	370		212		14	1	0	1	1
6	Eastminster Presbyterian Church	Wichita	KS	1,024	950	564	563	600	550	8	14	0	17
7	Faith United Presbyterian Church ^	Brandon	SD	192	171	128	132	10	10	0	1	0	1
8	First Presbyterian Church	Clay Center	KS	126	125	89	80	5	3	4	0	1	0
9	First Presbyterian Church &!	Derby	KS		178		178		20	0	0	0	2
10	First Presbyterian Church ^	Siloam Springs	AR	114	90	120	128	0	0	2	18	2	18
11	First Presbyterian Church of Skiatook	Skiatook	OK	26	33	30	33	0		0	0	0	0
12	Freeman Presbyterian Church	Freeman	MO	30	24	25	16	10	10	0	0	0	0
13	GlenHaven Church	Kansas City	MO	61	54	50	30	40	40	4			
14	Grace Community Fellowship	Ottawa	KS	135	139	138	142	25	25	4	0	0	2
15	Hillsdale Presbyterian Church	Paola	KS	152	165	127	130	40	20	15	4	2	1
16	Idana Presbyterian Church	Clay Center	KS	66	64	54	53			2			
17	Kirk Crossing	Jenks	OK	397	353	226	251	121	124	15	5	4	2
18	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK	1,033	830	510	536	181	150	2	7	2	7
19	Lighthouse Presbyterian Church ^	Paola	KS	389	304	248	218	18	17	0	5	0	6
20	New Covenant Presbyterian Church +	Hutchinson	KS	91	96	68	70	100	150	0	0	0	0
21	New Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Blue Rapids	KS	59	59	55	50	1	0	1	4	0	2
22	Simple Church Overland Park +	Overland Park	KS	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	1
23	St. Luke Evangelical Church *&^	Newton	KS										
24	Three Timbers Church	Bennington	NE	73	71	73	69	10	5	0	0	6	8
25	Turner County Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Davis	SD	62	60	28	28	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Enid	OK	91	104	50	70	300	0	0	1	1	5
		TOTAL		**6,407**	**6,148**	**3,799**	**4,267**	**1,894**	**1,605**	**61**	**81**	**24**	**108**

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											Church Planting					
	Church	City	State	Income to General Operating fund	Tithes and Offerings	Local Program and Operating Expenses	POI 2025	Presbytery Giving	WO Giving 2025	Non-EPC Missions and Outreach Giving	Presbytery Church Plants	Direct to EPC	Direct to Non-EPC	Parent	Partner	Patron
1	Avery Presbyterian Church &	Bellevue	NE	$286,735	$272,639	$255,326	$3,258	$5,698	$500	$6,750		$1,000	$0	Yes		
2	Bathgate Presbyterian Church	Bathgate	ND	$175,752	$173,296	$120,590	$1,630	$3,840	$0	$30,626	$1,400	$0	$0			Yes
3	Colonial Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO	$5,439,502	$5,343,697	$4,805,859	$37,700	$26,220	$39,703	$1,286,824	$3,600	$70,203	$8,000	Yes	Yes	Yes
4	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	Leawood	KS	$972,061	$914,682	$1,017,308	$408	$13,904	$1,500	$65,030						
5	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Omaha	Omaha	NE	$941,520	$853,971	$1,114,471	$8,000	$8,000	$0	$70,000	$0	$0	$0			
6	Eastminster Presbyterian Church	Wichita	KS	$3,595,104	$3,455,391	$2,967,049	$26,625	$18,000	$66,150	$641,915	$10,000	$0	$0			Yes
7	Faith United Presbyterian Church ^	Brandon	SD	$423,045	$426,953	$394,953	$4,220	$3,420	$0	$39,048	$2,000	$0	$0			Yes
8	First Presbyterian Church	Clay Center	KS	$225,366	$212,217	$222,608	$2,000	$4,540	$0	$3,375						
9	First Presbyterian Church &!	Derby	KS	$447,980	$445,976	$461,913	$0	$0	$0	$27,445	$0	$0	$0			
10	First Presbyterian Church ^	Siloam Springs	AR	$317,695	$270,171	$280,899	$2,390	$5,824	$4,000	$26,972	$0	$0	$0			
11	First Presbyterian Church of Skiatook	Skiatook	OK	$95,730	$81,714	$20,574	$400	$513	$0	$1,366						
12	Freeman Presbyterian Church	Freeman	MO	$68,441	$60,913	$58,968	$368	$1,049	$0	$896	$1,049	$0	$0			Yes
13	GlenHaven Church	Kansas City	MO	$169,013	$134,444	$383,574	$3,000	$1,600	$2,500	$13,000	$2,000	$3,000			Yes	Yes
14	Grace Community Fellowship	Ottawa	KS	$284,020	$284,020	$288,060	$3,000	$5,500	$996	$27,782						
15	Hillsdale Presbyterian Church	Paola	KS	$300,795	$300,795	$316,085	$3,000	$6,976	$0	$12,420	$1,100	$0	$0			Yes
16	Idana Presbyterian Church	Clay Center	KS	$115,757	$111,725	$119,425	$1,212	$1,320	$0	$18,052	$500	$0	$0			Yes
17	Kirk Crossing	Jenks	OK	$1,499,893	$1,615,067	$1,511,532	$2,500	$4,000	$5,300	$80,000	$4,000					
18	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK	$3,170,479	$2,930,108	$2,968,579	$20,000	$10,000	$0	$400,000	$10,000	$125,000		Yes	Yes	Yes
19	Lighthouse Presbyterian Church ^	Paola	KS	$721,718	$1,294,364	$968,203	$6,020	$19,140	$7,600	$113,532	$0	$0	$0		Yes	
20	New Covenant Presbyterian Church +	Hutchinson	KS	$249,971	$245,135	$224,048	$1,180	$1,320	$0	$18,280	$0	$0	$0			
21	New Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Blue Rapids	KS	$166,694	$114,417	$165,141	$1,357	$1,180	$1,300	$24,591	$1,700	$1,300	$1,300			Yes
22	Simple Church Overland Park +	Overland Park	KS	$79,780	$79,780	$71,116	$0	$240	$0	$0	$0	$1,200	$0		Yes	Yes
23	St. Luke Evangelical Church *&^	Newton	KS				$0		$0							
24	Three Timbers Church	Bennington	NE	$223,967	$217,108	$288,383	$0	$0	$0	$7,975	$0	$0	$0			
25	Turner County Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Davis	SD	$70,108	$70,108	$57,600	$545	$1,240	$0	$5,720	$750	$750				Yes
26	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Enid	OK	$218,640	$218,640	$218,640	$3,000	$3,000	$0	$30,000	$0	$2,000	$0			Yes
		TOTAL		**$20,259,767**	**$20,127,332**	**$19,300,905**	**$131,814**	**$146,525**	**$129,549**	**$2,951,600**	**$38,099**	**$204,453**	**$9,300**	3	5	13

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1	All Souls Church of Austin &+	Austin	TX		30		40		0	1	2	0	2
2	Bayou Christian Church	Thibodaux	LA	63	66	40	40	5	5	2		1	1
3	Christ Presbyterian Church	Daphne	AL	83	70	67	67	0	0	4	1	0	3
4	Church of the Resurrection	New Orleans	LA	253	263	243	235	44	77	26	8	4	8
5	City of Refuge Church	Houston	TX	100	77	106	105	13	11	0	0	0	2
6	Cornerstone EPC	Katy	TX	75	71	75	78	5	5	0	2	0	1
7	Covenant Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Lake Jackson	TX	383	376	190	229	469	546	0	0	1	4
8	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Jackson	MS	201	202	135	145	0	0	0	1	0	1
9	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Mobile	AL	464	550	400	450	0	0	70	0	0	15
10	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Monroe	LA	255	243	195	200	30	25	3	0	8	1
11	Diamondhead Community Church ^	Diamondhead	MS	173	221	125	125	0	0	1	0	1	2
12	Edna Presbyterian Church	Edna	TX	26	21	12	12	0	0	1	0	0	0
13	Faith Church Brownsville &	Brownsville	TX		7		3		0	0	0	0	0
14	Faith Presbyterian Church	Covington	LA	75	82	81	95	0	0	0	0	0	3
15	First Presbyterian Church	Meridian	MS	554	582	338	358	30	33	10	62	1	11
16	First Presbyterian Church	Mexia	TX	43	44	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	First Presbyterian Church	Ocean Springs	MS	558	555	448	429	425	125	0	1	16	8
18	First Presbyterian Church of Pascagoula	Pascagoula	MS	368	375	215	220	30	30	0	15	2	3
19	First Presbyterian Church	Vicksburg	MS	357	422	180	112			5	0	0	1
20	First Presbyterian Church LA	Baton Rouge	LA	1,560	1,379	765	843	131	161	4	20	2	22
21	First Presbyterian Church of Magnolia ^	Magnolia	AR	89	82	50	52			5	2		
22	First Presbyterian Church of Port Gibson	Port Gibson	MS	59	60	32	32	200	200	0	0	0	0
23	Genesis Presbyterian Church *	Mercedes	TX	26		13		27					
24	Golden Rule Presbyterian Church *&	Elysian Fields	TX										
25	Grace Chapel Madison EPC	Madison	MS	151	142	78	87	3	2	0	0	0	1
26	Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church *&^	Ingram	TX										
27	Grace Fellowship &	Marshall	TX		123		112		30	3	5	0	1
28	Grace Presbyterian Church	Alexandria	LA	145	129	108	107	20	10	2	7	0	4
29	Graceminster Presbyterian Church	Monroe	LA	35	32	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Hope Church	San Antonio	TX	98	106	75	80	15	12	5	2	7	2
31	Jesus Reigns Presbyterian Church	Brownsville	TX	14	12	17	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
32	Lakeside Presbyterian Church	Brandon	MS	468	502	335	352	45	45	18	9	0	16
33	Liberty Presbyterian Church	Liberty	MS	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	Magnolia Presbyterian Church *&	Magnolia	MS										
35	Minden Presbyterian Church	Minden	LA	48	44	26	25	34	30	0	0	0	0
36	New Covenant Presbyterian Church	Mandeville	LA	245	237	209	198	7	0	6	0	0	7

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	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
37	One Hope Presbyterian Church	Longview	TX	126	130	183	191	10	2	0	8	0	8
38	Osyka Presbyterian Church	Osyka	MS	2	2	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
39	Restoration Church &!+	Hattiesburg	MS										
40	San Benito Presbyterian Church *&	San Benito	TX										
41	Scotland Presbyterian Church	El Dorado	AR	27	27	27	26	0	0	0	0	0	0
42	Stockton Presbyterian Church	Stockton	AL	95	95	40	40	10	10	0	0	0	1
43	The Table Dallas	Carrollton	TX	54	54	48	45						1
44	Trinity Presbyterian Church	Texarkana	TX	31	25	34	33	900	700	1	1	0	1
45	Unity Memorial Presbyterian Church	Liberty	MS	7	9	9	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
46	Vernal Presbyterian Church	Lucedale	MS	28	34	40	50	0	0	1	1	4	3
47	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Gulfport	MS	121	116	60	60	10	6	3		1	1
48	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Laurel	MS	201	197	140	160	5					6
49	Wiggins Presbyterian Church	Wiggins	MS	0	21	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	1
50	Woodland Presbyterian Church	New Orleans	LA	104	112	104	104	7	3	2	0	0	2
51	Yokena Presbyterian Church *	Vicksburg	MS	16		20		0					
		TOTAL		**7,786**	**7,932**	**5,318**	**5,632**	**2,475**	**2,068**	**173**	**147**	**48**	**143**

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1	All Souls Church of Austin &+	Austin	TX	$91,624	$91,624	$103,583	$614	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
2	Bayou Christian Church	Thibodaux	LA	$229,570	$172,833	$198,410	$2,769	$1,160	$504	$4,183						
3	Christ Presbyterian Church	Daphne	AL	$215,549	$285,934	$295,721	$5,042	$2,500	$3,450	$7,800	$0	$0	$0			
4	Church of the Resurrection	New Orleans	LA	$1,161,599	$1,650,897	$1,114,823	$0	$7,500	$0	$37,006	$7,500	$12,000				Yes
5	City of Refuge Church	Houston	TX	$541,178	$556,011	$537,134	$1,700	$1,120	$4,404	$42,896	$0	$0	$0			
6	Cornerstone EPC	Katy	TX	$400,896	$340,236	$316,589	$1,225	$2,136	$0	$6,000	$0	$0	$0			
7	Covenant Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Lake Jackson	TX	$895,444	$800,889	$849,839	$7,800	$5,800	$12,313	$77,081	$0	$0	$0			
8	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Jackson	MS	$1,001,416	$1,001,416	$966,444	$10,368	$4,216	$38,874	$154,060	$0	$20,000	$0		Yes	
9	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Mobile	AL	$312,575	$3,111,157	$1,495,545	$13,000	$20,424	$59,000	$191,715	$65,675	$25,000	$0		Yes	Yes
10	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Monroe	LA	$896,881	$896,881	$666,197	$0	$0	$33,524	$187,104	$0	$0	$0			
11	Diamondhead Community Church ^	Diamondhead	MS	$380,320	$375,820	$342,568	$0	$6,250	$0	$0	$2,400					Yes
12	Edna Presbyterian Church	Edna	TX	$36,000	$53,189	$145,919	$166	$768	$0	$4,890	$0	$0	$0			
13	Faith Church Brownsville &	Brownsville	TX	$688	$600	$6,323	$0	$2,932	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
14	Faith Presbyterian Church	Covington	LA	$632,026	$632,026	$564,591	$4,820	$6,116	$22,721	$47,125	$0	$15,320	$0			Yes
15	First Presbyterian Church	Meridian	MS	$1,651,061	$1,766,958	$1,579,028	$15,000	$17,764	$41,000	$102,508	$0	$27,800	$0			Yes
16	First Presbyterian Church	Mexia	TX	$150,008	$69,410	$109,467	$1,451	$2,060	$600	$10,425	$1,100	$0	$0			Yes
17	First Presbyterian Church	Ocean Springs	MS	$1,976,829	$1,976,829	$1,611,408	$19,752	$59,112	$30,000	$167,683	$0	$12,000	$0		Yes	
18	First Presbyterian Church of Pascagoula	Pascagoula	MS	$861,958	$861,958	$897,694	$12,155	$15,528	$7,333	$80,000	$0	$0	$0			
19	First Presbyterian Church	Vicksburg	MS	$591,393	$586,012	$573,956	$4,600	$4,600	$4,200	$25,239						
20	First Presbyterian Church LA	Baton Rouge	LA	$4,323,732	$4,226,332	$3,642,555	$29,450	$29,163	$82,254	$304,824	$0	$25,000	$108,000	Yes		Yes
21	First Presbyterian Church of Magnolia ^	Magnolia	AR	$590,007	$488,151	$270,865	$0	$3,924	$1,500	$160,482				Yes		
22	First Presbyterian Church of Port Gibson	Port Gibson	MS	$143,692	$204,283	$119,724	$0	$1,200	$11,425	$11,720	$0	$0	$0			
23	Genesis Presbyterian Church *	Mercedes	TX				$0		$0							
24	Golden Rule Presbyterian Church *&	Elysian Fields	TX				$0		$2,000							
25	Grace Chapel Madison EPC	Madison	MS	$540,233	$485,505	$393,885	$3,473	$2,416	$4,000	$26,123	$0	$2,400	$0			Yes
26	Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church *&^	Ingram	TX				$0		$0							
27	Grace Fellowship &	Marshall	TX	$338,682	$326,142	$404,174	$1,242	$864	$28,561	$2,400	$0	$0	$0			
28	Grace Presbyterian Church	Alexandria	LA	$190,185	$378,651	$526,316	$4,466	$30,876	$24,100	$14,612						
29	Graceminster Presbyterian Church	Monroe	LA	$81,212	$81,212	$90,301	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
30	Hope Church	San Antonio	TX	$273,326	$217,605	$410,693	$2,240	$1,600	$9,500	$25,486	$24,000	$0	$0	Yes		
31	Jesus Reigns Presbyterian Church	Brownsville	TX	$16,515	$14,065	$6,344	$0	$150	$0	$800						
32	Lakeside Presbyterian Church	Brandon	MS	$1,220,361	$1,220,361	$1,282,661	$0	$6,800	$32,050	$84,937	$10,000	$0	$0		Yes	
33	Liberty Presbyterian Church	Liberty	MS		$5,000	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
34	Magnolia Presbyterian Church *&	Magnolia	MS				$0		$0							
35	Minden Presbyterian Church	Minden	LA	$198,091	$197,417	$166,891	$1,620	$5,760	$1,000	$3,500	$0	$0	$0			
36	New Covenant Presbyterian Church	Mandeville	LA	$726,670	$614,858	$633,373	$0	$800	$22,537	$70,011	$0	$9,607	$9,607			Yes
37	One Hope Presbyterian Church	Longview	TX	$293,884	$247,680	$239,888	$0		$0		$0	$0	$0			
38	Osyka Presbyterian Church	Osyka	MS		$27,233	$4,522	$0	$2,000	$2,000	$4,146	$0	$0	$0			

39	Restoration Church &!+	Hattiesburg	MS				$0		$0							
40	San Benito Presbyterian Church *&	San Benito	TX				$0		$0							
41	Scotland Presbyterian Church	El Dorado	AR	$52,883	$52,883	$58,196	$920	$920	$2,400	$6,300	$0	$0	$0			
42	Stockton Presbyterian Church	Stockton	AL	$220,895	$221,899	$216,689	$0	$4,440	$1,200	$4,319	$0	$0	$0			
43	The Table Dallas	Carrollton	TX	$190,516	$191,366	$187,516	$1,000	$1,200	$0	$12,000		$3,600	$6,500		Yes	Yes
44	Trinity Presbyterian Church	Texarkana	TX	$124,488	$71,488	$135,606	$200	$975	$0	$15,151	$0	$0	$0			
45	Unity Memorial Presbyterian Church	Liberty	MS	$34,639	$29,221	$24,574	$275	$451	$0	$200	$0	$0	$0			
46	Vernal Presbyterian Church	Lucedale	MS				$0		$0							
47	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Gulfport	MS	$331,763	$315,071	$279,631	$3,130	$1,936	$900	$20,711	$0	$0	$0			
48	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Laurel	MS	$1,408,092	$1,249,091	$1,377,641	$13,361	$4,112	$9,450	$212,151		$25,000			Yes	Yes
49	Wiggins Presbyterian Church	Wiggins	MS		$134,900	$121,900	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
50	Woodland Presbyterian Church	New Orleans	LA	$443,981	$443,981	$475,373	$2,392	$1,664	$0	$43,336	$0	$0	$0			

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51	Yokena Presbyterian Church *	Vicksburg	MS				$0		$0							
		TOTAL		**$23,770,863**	**$26,675,074**	**$23,444,557**	**$164,230**	**$261,237**	**$492,799**	**$2,168,924**	**$110,675**	**$177,727**	**$124,107**	3	6	11

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				Membership		Avg. Worship Attendance		Avg. Virtual Attendance		Professions of Faith		Adult	Infant/Child
	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	Athens Church	Kansas City	MO	134	166	230	325	20	15	6	4	5	6
2	Barbee Church	Excelsior Springs	MO	59	62	54	49	4	4	0	0	0	0
3	Big Creek Presbyterian Church	Hannibal	MO	42	44	30	30	0	0	0	4	0	2
4	Brazeau Presbyterian Church	Brazeau	MO	255	30	20	20	0	0	2	0	0	2
5	Brookdale Presbyterian Church	St. Joseph	MO	155	159	110	125	40	40	5	0	0	2
6	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO	964	972	612	581	498	536	0	0	1	13
7	Central West End Church	Saint Louis	MO	73	74	110	120	40	10	0	0	0	1
8	City Church	St. Louis	MO	80	87	148	145	0	0	0	0	0	5
9	EPiC Evangelical Presbyterians in Christ Church	Troy	MO	25	23	20	18	10	10				4
10	Faith Presbyterian Church	Perryville	MO	52	49	23	20	40	40	0	0	0	0
11	Gashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO	450	350	240	240	65	59	0	1	0	3
12	Greentree Community Church	Kirkwood	MO	555	640	564	543	150	250	29	22	1	20
13	Providence Presbyterian Church *	Bowling Green	MO	15		11		0					
14	Renew EPC &+	Lee's Summit	MO		41		63		0	0	4	1	2
15	River City Church	St. Charles	MO	100	116	160	160	0		1	5	1	5
16	Riverside Church *&	Webster Groves	MO										
17	Sutter Presbyterian Church	Bridgeton	MO	45	45	30	30	60	60	0	0	0	0
18	The Bridge North County +	Ferguson	MO	48	44	101	122	15	15	4	1	4	4
19	The Crossing	Columbia	MO	3,400	3,550	2,750	3,250	2,550	2,550				
20	Trinity EPC	Chillicothe	MO	10	10	11	8		3	10	0	0	0
21	Walnut Grove Presbyterian Church ^	Butler	MO	26	26	20	15	4	0	20	0	0	0
		TOTAL		**6,488**	**6,488**	**5,244**	**5,864**	**3,496**	**3,592**	**77**	**41**	**13**	**69**

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	Church	City	State	Income to General Operating fund	Tithes and Offerings	Local Program and Operating Expenses	POI 2025	Presbytery Giving	WO Giving 2025	Non-EPC Missions and Outreach Giving	Church Planting: Presbytery Church Plants	Church Planting: Direct to EPC	Church Planting: Direct to Non-EPC	Church Planting: Parent	Church Planting: Partner	Church Planting: Patron
1	Athens Church	Kansas City	MO	$816,000	$937,000	$801,000	$0	$1,900	$0	$79,000	$0	$5,000				Yes
2	Barbee Church	Excelsior Springs	MO	$125,300	$118,203	$154,056	$0	$250	$0	$2,615	$0	$0	$0			
3	Big Creek Presbyterian Church	Hannibal	MO	$88,182	$104,085	$104,360	$1,565	$4,194	$3,185	$15,539	$0	$0	$4,194			Yes
4	Brazeau Presbyterian Church	Brazeau	MO	$7,450	$45,961	$52,184	$0	$570	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
5	Brookdale Presbyterian Church	St. Joseph	MO	$404,978	$409,978	$366,262	$2,945	$3,174	$7,500	$64,350		$10,900			Yes	
6	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO	$4,997,195	$4,997,195	$4,491,911	$26,608	$16,935	$22,500	$676,292						
7	Central West End Church	Saint Louis	MO	$366,173	$366,173	$344,565	$3,713	$1,330	$0	$10,000						
8	City Church	St. Louis	MO	$695,999	$689,042	$533,870	$5,765	$1,600	$6,000	$43,711	$0	$6,350	$0		Yes	Yes
9	EPiC Evangelical Presbyterians in Christ Church	Troy	MO	$85,457	$85,457	$28,148	$0	$1,259	$0	$5,300						
10	Faith Presbyterian Church	Perryville	MO	$127,605	$127,605	$128,438	$1,079	$969	$0	$3,600	$0	$0	$0			
11	Gashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO	$906,424	$886,318	$907,920	$5,955	$7,000	$10,850	$64,260	$10,000	$23,050	$16,185			Yes
12	Greentree Community Church	Kirkwood	MO	$2,635,481	$2,635,481	$1,808,378	$25,426	$10,545	$17,250	$492,685	$0	$60,000	$0			
13	Providence Presbyterian Church *	Bowling Green	MO				$0		$0							
14	Renew EPC &+	Lee's Summit	MO	$315,519	$180,006	$309,689	$0	$0	$512	$15,772		$3,525				Yes
15	River City Church	St. Charles	MO				$3,000		$0							
16	Riverside Church *&	Webster Groves	MO				$0		$0							Yes
17	Sutter Presbyterian Church	Bridgeton	MO	$105,186	$105,186	$145,315	$1,380	$1,880	$0	$65,642	$0	$0	$0			
18	The Bridge North County +	Ferguson	MO	$358,000	$460,107	$468,700	$0		$0	$600						
19	The Crossing	Columbia	MO		$15,600,000	$14,300,000	$2,200		$8,400							
20	Trinity EPC	Chillicothe	MO	$9,175	$9,143	$10,340	$0		$0							
21	Walnut Grove Presbyterian Church ^	Butler	MO	$17,731	$17,731	$22,926	$660	$1,192	$0	$2,211	$0	$0	$0			
		TOTAL		**$12,061,855**	**$27,774,672**	**$24,978,062**	**$80,296**	**$52,798**	**$76,197**	**$1,541,577**	**$10,000**	**$108,825**	**$20,379**	**0**	**2**	**6**

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	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	5point7 Community Church +	Detroit	MI	0	41	50	60	50	50	1	1	6	10
2	Attica-Williamsport Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Attica	IN	35	34	34	33	3	2	1		1	0
3	Calvary Presbyterian Church	Flint	MI	120	127	75	79	10	10	0	0	0	0
4	Cedarville United Presbyterian Church	Cedarville	OH	116	102	71	66	15	12	0	0	0	1
5	Christ Covenant Church	Cincinnati	OH	187	185	162	169	14	10	0	3	0	4
6	Christ's Community Church	Fort Wayne	IN	35	35	54	56	20	29	1	0	0	0
7	Clifton United Presbyterian Church	Clifton	OH	44	43	30	30	0	0	0	0	0	1
8	College Corner Presbyterian Church	College Corner	OH	28	31	37	32	0	0	4	0	0	0
9	Community Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Owosso	MI	128	126	136	137	4	7	1	0	1	0
10	Cornerstone Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Brighton	MI	1,195	1,214	857	972	422	410	3	16	22	7
11	Covenant Church	West Lafayette	IN	500	505	601	587	175	183	3		4	5
12	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Tecumseh	Tecumseh	MI	167	172	131	142	50	50			1	4
13	Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Rochester Hills	MI	245	235	217	279	91	95	3	12	0	6
14	Faith Presbyterian Church	West Lafayette	IN	75	68	60	55	38	41	1	1	0	0
15	Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church	South Lyon	MI	125	114	96	88	40	44	0	0	0	0
16	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Battle Creek	MI	4		20		0					
17	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Frankfort	IN	167	166	100	106	30	40	6			1
18	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kokomo	IN	220	219	109	103	16	15	0	0	0	0
19	First Presbyterian Church	Greenville	OH	107	100	79	81	4	4	1	2	0	1
20	First Presbyterian Church	Ossian	IN	72	70	65	65	5	5	0	0	1	0
21	First Presbyterian Church	Paulding	OH	65	65	38	37		3	0	0	3	0
22	First Presbyterian Church	South Charleston	OH	169	134	148	126	5	0	0	3	3	1
23	First Presbyterian Church of Ada	Ada	OH	90	90	55	55	2	2	2	0	2	0
24	First Presbyterian Church of Bucyrus	Bucyrus	OH	65	64	43	43	20	20	0	0	0	3
25	First Presbyterian Church of Hillsdale	Hillsdale	MI	88	91	82	81	20	20	1	0	1	0
26	Gateway Church	Findlay	OH	765	787	1,107	1,165	142	180	4	18	5	24
27	Grace Community EPC	Oscoda	MI	36	36	36	36	11	11				
28	Grace Point Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Nappanee	IN	29	29	28	27	70	280	0	1	1	0
29	Hopewell Presbyterian Church	Franklin	IN	163	174	105	113	45	35	0	2		4
30	Kirkmont Presbyterian Church	Beavercreek	OH	400	451	481	499	272	379	6	6	1	11
31	Knox Presbyterian Church	Ann Arbor	MI	393	376	321	265	300	300	6	2	1	4
32	Lake City Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Lake City	MI	31	32	23	19	0	0	5	0	0	0
33	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Lebanon	OH	482	479	293	296	101	77	0	0	0	6
34	Living Hope Evangelical Church	St. Clair Shores	MI	107	100	64	58	50	50	0	0	0	0
35	Military Avenue EPC	Detroit	MI	74	74	70	72	15	15	0	0	0	2
36	Mt. Olivet Presbyterian Church	Trenton	OH	74	75	55	58	500	500	5	0	0	2
37	New City Presbyterian Church +	South Bend	IN	33	31	75	75	0	0	2	6	0	4
38	North Oaks Church	Clarkston	MI	122	116	127	127	5	5	7	0	0	3
39	Oakhill Presbyterian Church	Grand Rapids	MI	180	90	220	88	250	30	0	0	16	0

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40	Olivet EPC	Evansville	IN	77	80	70	72	5	2	1	0	1	1
41	Peace Presbyterian Church	Flint	MI	29	22	20	27	0	0	0	0	0	0
42	Russellville Presbyterian Church *	Russellville	OH	10		9		5					
43	Southport Presbyterian Church	Indianapolis	IN	723	725	573	309	272	243	0	1	0	3
44	St. Andrew Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Auburn	IN	70	64	81	80	7	4	0	0	1	1
45	The Antioch Movement	Ypsilanti	MI	18	15	15	20	0	0				
46	Trinity Presbyterian Church Columbia City	Columbia City	IN	89	90	115	11	10	8	4	0	0	3
47	Trinity Presbyterian Church Plymouth	Plymouth	MI	500	542	551	514	210	353	0	7	0	13
48	Ward Church	Northville	MI	1,496	1,519	1,094	1,148	660	678	2	0	19	15
49	Warsaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Warsaw	IN	262	274	238	279	22	30	33	3	7	3
50	Westminster Church of Port Huron	Port Huron	MI	38	43	42	52	70	10	7	0	0	0
51	Wheat Ridge Evangelical Presbyterian Church	West Union	OH	19	19	20	20	3	0	0	0	0	0
		TOTAL		**10,267**	**10,274**	**9,183**	**8,912**	**4,059**	**4,242**	**110**	**84**	**97**	**143**

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	Church	City	State	Income to General Operating fund	Tithes and Offerings	Local Program and Operating Expenses	POI 2025	Presbytery Giving	WO Giving 2025	Non-EPC Missions and Outreach Giving	Presbytery Church Plants	Direct to EPC	Direct to Non-EPC	Parent	Partner	Patron
1	5point7 Community Church +	Detroit	MI	$236,750	$35,896	$246,000	$0	$0	$0	$1,200	$0	$0	$1,200			
2	Attica-Williamsport Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Attica	IN	$128,987	$128,987	$127,268	$782	$442	$1,400	$10,421	$0	$0	$0			
3	Calvary Presbyterian Church	Flint	MI	$329,831	$340,641	$302,831	$3,045	$1,680	$0	$35,100		$2,700				Yes
4	Cedarville United Presbyterian Church	Cedarville	OH	$189,830	$180,623	$190,634	$1,800	$5,824	$1,000	$13,383	$0	$0	$0			
5	Christ Covenant Church	Cincinnati	OH	$677,789	$675,686	$639,681	$7,260	$2,431	$5,000	$65,560						
6	Christ's Community Church	Fort Wayne	IN	$217,262	$300,346	$217,515	$805	$455	$0	$23,140	$0	$0	$0			
7	Clifton United Presbyterian Church	Clifton	OH	$90,000	$85,900	$139,900	$0	$1,750	$0	$0	$1,000	$0	$0			Yes
8	College Corner Presbyterian Church	College Corner	OH	$52,620	$59,464	$109,282	$644	$1,008	$0	$3,501	$0	$0	$0			
9	Community Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Owosso	MI	$529,782	$529,782	$425,822	$4,000	$2,500	$21,600	$63,800		$16,800				
10	Cornerstone Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Brighton	MI	$4,121,494	$7,290,337	$3,085,093	$28,317	$17,416	$163,540	$628,406						
11	Covenant Church	West Lafayette	IN	$2,451,451	$2,448,158	$1,749,173	$11,650	$18,216	$6,000	$415,855					Yes	
12	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Tecumseh	Tecumseh	MI		$338,058	$309,049	$3,910	$2,210	$7,750	$21,513						
13	Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Rochester Hills	MI	$757,623	$757,623	$771,773	$6,500	$2,652	$6,825	$20,949						
14	Faith Presbyterian Church	West Lafayette	IN	$224,190	$212,931	$180,860	$0	$910	$7,000	$21,720						
15	Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church	South Lyon	MI	$471,643	$495,860	$344,505	$2,875	$1,640	$64,470	$37,212		$4,740				
16	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Battle Creek	MI				$92		$0							
17	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Frankfort	IN	$403,065	$374,467	$292,204	$5,451	$3,080	$0	$96,396	$0	$0	$0			
18	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kokomo	IN	$540,379	$540,379	$547,867	$2,749	$15,722	$9,500	$50,859	$0	$500	$0			
19	First Presbyterian Church	Greenville	OH	$321,381	$184,509	$308,150	$0	$1,507	$0	$11,392	$0	$0	$0			
20	First Presbyterian Church	Ossian	IN	$243,420	$230,690	$343,470	$2,556	$2,565	$0	$7,200						
21	First Presbyterian Church	Paulding	OH	$193,896	$210,562	$118,679	$1,849	$13,294	$10,000	$42,420	$0	$0	$0			
22	First Presbyterian Church	South Charleston	OH	$346,856	$343,603	$341,175	$1,989	$1,223	$14,400	$12,962	$0	$0	$0			Yes
23	First Presbyterian Church of Ada	Ada	OH	$151,525	$143,952	$137,549	$1,495	$1,170	$0	$7,803	$0	$0	$0			
24	First Presbyterian Church of Bucyrus	Bucyrus	OH	$153,573	$129,100	$131,689	$1,495	$9,551	$3,000	$12,882						
25	First Presbyterian Church of Hillsdale	Hillsdale	MI	$274,972	$274,972	$262,965	$2,510	$3,660	$0	$20,270		$1,500				Yes
26	Gateway Church	Findlay	OH	$3,637,745	$3,676,230	$3,204,320	$32,000	$17,900	$158,349	$358,248	$0	$9,400	$42,200			Yes
27	Grace Community EPC	Oscoda	MI	$103,461	$100,629	$90,227	$705	$460	$2,930	$3,616	$0	$0	$0			
28	Grace Point Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Nappanee	IN	$69,936	$69,936	$141,336	$0	$0	$0	$450	$0	$0	$0			
29	Hopewell Presbyterian Church	Franklin	IN	$350,451	$270,926	$274,874	$3,945	$6,193	$0	$14,361	$0	$0	$0			
30	Kirkmont Presbyterian Church	Beavercreek	OH	$1,626,627	$1,328,511	$1,531,654	$10,245	$4,485	$16,004	$85,913						
31	Knox Presbyterian Church	Ann Arbor	MI	$1,893,236	$1,818,584	$1,681,129	$0	$6,800	$0	$300,000	$0	$0	$0			
32	Lake City Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Lake City	MI	$68,854	$62,826	$80,877	$1,300	$1,300	$0	$1,683	$0	$0	$0			
33	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Lebanon	OH	$144,625	$1,333,360	$1,505,322	$12,361	$18,861	$7,500	$130,322	$0	$0	$0			
34	Living Hope Evangelical Church	St. Clair Shores	MI	$330,732	$325,225	$311,892	$3,172	$4,564	$3,850	$4,112						
35	Military Avenue EPC	Detroit	MI	$175,452	$112,560	$164,464	$1,300	$1,100	$1,000	$7,100						
36	Mt. Olivet Presbyterian Church	Trenton	OH	$182,904	$159,604	$165,652	$0	$1,001	$1,750	$6,475						
37	New City Presbyterian Church +	South Bend	IN	$169,320	$157,320	$76,000	$0	$0	$0	$3,766	$0	$0	$0			
38	North Oaks Church	Clarkston	MI	$436,943	$375,786	$365,515	$2,852	$12,024	$7,656	$51,035	$0	$0	$0			

39	Oakhill Presbyterian Church	Grand Rapids	MI	$496,033	$491,009	$545,977	$3,519	$7,344	$5,676	$54,538	$0	$0	$0			
40	Olivet EPC	Evansville	IN	$18,585	$244,416	$263,001	$1,800	$2,600	$0	$31,575	$0	$0	$0			
41	Peace Presbyterian Church	Flint	MI	$87,616	$87,616	$63,463	$460	$2,800	$2,400	$5,691	$0	$0	$0			
42	Russellville Presbyterian Church *	Russellville	OH				$227		$400							
43	Southport Presbyterian Church	Indianapolis	IN	$2,118,781	$1,979,640	$2,003,512	$12,802	$20,407	$18,200	$165,601	$0	$0	$0			
44	St. Andrew Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Auburn	IN	$275,341	$275,341	$365,638	$2,774	$793	$3,600	$4,270						
45	The Antioch Movement	Ypsilanti	MI	$75,213	$74,750	$69,239	$0	$195	$0							
46	Trinity Presbyterian Church Columbia City	Columbia City	IN		$346,523	$368,990	$0		$0		$0	$0	$0			
47	Trinity Presbyterian Church Plymouth	Plymouth	MI	$1,829,443	$1,897,856	$1,844,556	$13,156	$6,279	$37,689	$190,256	$0	$25,000	$0		Yes	
48	Ward Church	Northville	MI	$5,046,125	$5,789,234	$8,320,968	$48,498	$19,448	$127,533	$573,792	$0	$29,500	$0		Yes	
49	Warsaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Warsaw	IN	$860,540	$1,068,835	$957,599	$11,370	$13,359	$30,250	$104,400	$0	$3,600	$0			Yes
50	Westminster Church of Port Huron	Port Huron	MI	$140,202	$139,146	$126,896	$874	$1,368	$6,000	$19,656	$0	$6,000	$0		Yes	
51	Wheat Ridge Evangelical Presbyterian Church	West Union	OH	$37,531	$37,521	$26,638	$369	$1,966	$500	$6,097	$0	$0	$0			
		TOTAL		**$33,284,014**	**$38,535,909**	**$35,872,875**	**$255,501**	**$262,154**	**$752,773**	**$3,746,901**	**$1,000**	**$99,740**	**$43,400**	**0**	**4**	**6**

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1	Asbury Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Westfield	NC	52		35		80					
2	Berry Hill Presbyterian Church &!	South Boston	VA		32		20		5	0	0	0	0
3	Bethel Presbyterian Church	Claudville	VA	26	26	19	19	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Bouldin Memorial Presbyterian Church	Stuart	VA	27	30	39	40	0	0	5	0	0	0
5	Buffalo Presbyterian Church	Greensboro	NC	168	222	149	176	359	449	58	0	0	0
6	Christ Reigns Mission Church &+	Winchester	VA		22		17		0				
7	Cleveland Presbyterian Church	Abingdon	VA	26	25	35	28	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Downtown Presbyterian &!+	Lynchburg	VA				20			1			
9	Elon Presbyterian Church	Madison Heights	VA	69	63	48	46	12	12	0	0	0	0
10	Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Elkton	Elkton	VA	183	181	181	189	20	20	1	0	1	1
11	Falling Spring Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Hot Springs	VA	56	54	45	50	15	12				
12	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Roanoke	VA	183	157	115	108	0	0	4	0	0	0
13	First Presbyterian Church	Martinsburg	WV	57	50	56	55	12	8	0	0	0	0
14	First Presbyterian Church of Eden	Eden	NC	243	243	92	92	22	22	0	0	0	0
15	FORGE Church *	Greensboro	NC	1		1		1					
16	Galatia Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Eagle Rock	VA	35	31	25	25	25	30	0	0	0	0
17	Greenwood Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Covington	VA	41	42	30	26	5	5	0	0	0	0
18	Hope Community Church *+	Waynesboro	VA	80		99		36					
19	Hurley Presbyterian Church &^	Hurley	VA		30		44		0	12	6	11	0
20	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Greenwood	VA	52	50	49	44	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	Mary's Presbyterian Church *&	Tazewell	VA										
22	Mebane Presbyterian Church	Mebane	NC	142	146	89	92	10	10	0	1	0	3
23	New Life Presbyterian Church	Salem	VA	53	58	40	45	0		5		2	
24	Northminster Evangelical Presbyterian Church &	Madison Heights	VA		40		24		9	0	0	0	0
25	Norton Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Norton	VA										
26	Perrow Presbyterian Church *&	Cross Lanes	WV										
27	Plumtree Presbyterian Church *&	Plumtree	NC										
28	Princeton Presbyterian Church	Princeton	WV	73	70	55	61	10	10	0	0	0	1
29	Restoration Community Church *&+	Lexington	NC										
30	Reynolda Church	Winston Salem	NC	1,500	1,500	1,100	1,100	300	300	35	20	40	12
31	River Oaks Community Church	Clemmons	NC	1,053	1,054	1,099	1,124	400	416	10	25	25	0
32	Rivermont Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Lynchburg	VA	876	798	567	613	191	185	9	10	2	12
33	Roseann Evangelical Presbyterian Church &^	Hurley	VA				210		200	0	0	0	0
34	Slate Mountain Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Meadows of Dan	VA										
35	Stuart Presbyterian Church &	Stuart	VA		183		110		12	0	1	0	6
36	Thompson Valley Presbyterian Church	Tazewell	VA	35	35	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
37	Walkers Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Pamplin	VA	53		45		12					
38	Warm Springs Presbyterian Church	Warm Springs	VA	37	50	50	55	2	5	11	1	2	1
39	Westminster Presbyterian Church &	Bluefield	WV		196		140			1	2	1	2

40	Westminster Presbyterian Church &	Burlington	NC		76		55		9	0	0	1	0

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41	Woodside Presbyterian Church *&	Roanoke	VA										
42	Wylliesburg Evangelical Presbyterian Church ^	Wylliesburg	VA	28	28	15	15	40	40	0	0	0	0
		TOTAL		**5,149**	**5,492**	**4,103**	**4,668**	**1,552**	**1,759**	**152**	**66**	**85**	**38**

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1	Asbury Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Westfield	NC				$0		$1,400							
2	Berry Hill Presbyterian Church &!	South Boston	VA	$60,363	$54,763	$65,085	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,000	$0			
3	Bethel Presbyterian Church	Claudville	VA		$20,048	$19,748	$0	$0	$0	$1,000	$0	$0	$0			
4	Bouldin Memorial Presbyterian Church	Stuart	VA	$107,599	$75,879	$81,210	$621	$3,086	$0	$12,401	$0	$0	$0			
5	Buffalo Presbyterian Church	Greensboro	NC	$968,109	$1,608,301	$1,421,031	$3,708	$8,275	$23,800	$107,731	$0	$0	$0			
6	Christ Reigns Mission Church &+	Winchester	VA	$17,733	$17,733	$12,422	$0	$0	$0	$3,400						
7	Cleveland Presbyterian Church	Abingdon	VA	$65,512	$65,512	$51,912	$0	$2,400	$2,400	$11,200	$0	$0	$0			
8	Downtown Presbyterian &!+	Lynchburg	VA	$43,393	$40,583	$40,289	$0		$0							
9	Elon Presbyterian Church	Madison Heights	VA	$184,667	$184,667	$140,477	$1,500	$1,500	$0	$16,343	$0	$0	$0			
10	Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Elkton	Elkton	VA	$493,711	$473,622	$429,463	$4,000	$10,100	$7,800	$30,507	$0	$0	$0			
11	Falling Spring Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Hot Springs	VA	$132,901	$130,000	$136,902	$0	$1,296	$0							
12	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Roanoke	VA	$657,942	$642,801	$517,227	$0	$5,735	$7,200	$13,112						
13	First Presbyterian Church	Martinsburg	WV	$259,929	$171,136	$267,329	$452	$802	$0	$2,668	$0	$0	$0			
14	First Presbyterian Church of Eden	Eden	NC	$295,977	$295,977	$291,138	$0		$5,500	$18,350						
15	FORGE Church *	Greensboro	NC				$0		$1,210					Yes	Yes	
16	Galatia Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Eagle Rock	VA	$86,368	$86,368		$0	$864	$0	$10,000						
17	Greenwood Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Covington	VA	$72,350	$72,350	$74,397	$794	$1,700	$1,700	$0	$0	$0	$0			
18	Hope Community Church *+	Waynesboro	VA				$0		$4,530							
19	Hurley Presbyterian Church &^	Hurley	VA				$0		$0						Yes	
20	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Greenwood	VA	$141,355	$145,217	$117,866	$1,825	$1,825	$5,500	$11,818	$0	$0	$0			
21	Mary's Presbyterian Church *&	Tazewell	VA				$0		$0							
22	Mebane Presbyterian Church	Mebane	NC	$296,807	$361,113	$253,258	$2,587	$7,222	$4,000	$15,934						
23	New Life Presbyterian Church	Salem	VA	$138,345	$166,192	$144,754	$959	$4,417	$1,000	$8,231						
24	Northminster Evangelical Presbyterian Church &	Madison Heights	VA	$134,312	$127,288	$127,284	$0	$200	$0	$4,198	$0	$440	$0			Yes
25	Norton Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Norton	VA				$0		$0							
26	Perrow Presbyterian Church *&	Cross Lanes	WV				$0		$0							
27	Plumtree Presbyterian Church *&	Plumtree	NC				$0		$0							
28	Princeton Presbyterian Church	Princeton	WV	$181,657	$176,468	$215,579	$1,767	$6,460	$2,000	$2,679	$0	$0	$0			Yes
29	Restoration Community Church *&+	Lexington	NC				$0		$12,000							
30	Reynolda Church	Winston Salem	NC	$2,400,000			$11,979	$25,000	$100	$200,000						
31	River Oaks Community Church	Clemmons	NC	$3,186,343	$3,186,343	$2,844,872	$30,025	$24,000	$70,150	$451,259		$12,000	$26,780		Yes	
32	Rivermont Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Lynchburg	VA	$2,113,220	$2,117,772	$1,697,616	$19,972	$72,360	$21,350	$343,243	$0	$0	$19,300			
33	Roseann Evangelical Presbyterian Church &^	Hurley	VA	$46,583	$46,583	$42,682	$0	$2,000	$1,000	$9,000	$0	$0	$6,600			Yes
34	Slate Mountain Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Meadows of Dan	VA				$0		$0							
35	Stuart Presbyterian Church &	Stuart	VA	$321,553	$321,553	$271,510	$2,363	$11,300	$3,593	$8,050						
36	Thompson Valley Presbyterian Church	Tazewell	VA	$6,000	$41,969	$35,333	$419	$838	$0	$5,798						
37	Walkers Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Pamplin	VA				$1,319		$7,541							
38	Warm Springs Presbyterian Church	Warm Springs	VA	$242,901	$242,901	$239,719	$2,136	$4,273	$0	$13,099	$0	$0	$0			

39	Westminster Presbyterian Church &	Bluefield	WV	$382,205	$382,205	$289,495	$0		$20,435	$24,000						
40	Westminster Presbyterian Church &	Burlington	NC	$137,889	$137,889	$139,324	$1,200	$2,400	$2,811	$6,716	$0	$0	$0			
41	Woodside Presbyterian Church *&	Roanoke	VA				$0		$0							
42	Wylliesburg Evangelical Presbyterian Church ^	Wylliesburg	VA	$87,191	$50,337	$54,903	$0	$750	$0	$4,123	$0	$0	$0			
		TOTAL		**$13,262,915**	**$11,443,571**	**$10,022,826**	**$87,624**	**$198,803**	**$207,019**	**$1,334,861**	**$0**	**$13,440**	**$52,680**	**1**	**3**	**3**

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1	Alder Presbyterian Church *	Eatonville	WA	30		22							
2	Bickleton Evangelical Community Church	Bickleton	WA	41	41	30	40	200	10	2	0	0	0
3	Calvin Presbyterian Church	Corvallis	OR	80	82	90	95		0			0	1
4	Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church	Gig Harbor	WA	1,277	1,269	1,650	924	345	160	146	73	5	7
5	Chinese Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Portland	OR	30	30	25	25	3	2	29	1	0	0
6	Christ Community Church (EPC)	Caldwell	ID	66	69	60	65	0	0	3	0	0	1
7	Christ Presbyterian Church	Garden City	ID	116	116	78	75	20	20	1	3	1	5
8	Community Church of Ephrata	Ephrata	WA	144	138	179	170	18	17	2	2	6	3
9	Community Presbyterian Church of Onalaska *&	Onalaska	WA										
10	Davenport Presbyterian Church	Davenport	WA	41	31	37	37	4	8	0	0	0	0
11	Evangelical Valley Presbyterian Church	Hazelton	ID	45	35	65	55	10	15	0	0	14	1
12	Evergreen Church &	Graham	WA		41		35		30	6	1	0	1
13	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Oregon City	Oregon City	OR	129	138	90	85	12	15	9	0	3	5
14	First Presbyterian Church	Redding	CA	66	66	75	75		5	0	0	0	0
15	First Presbyterian Church of Fairbanks	Fairbanks	AK	155	151	138	153	10	10	0	0	0	6
16	Grace Community Presbyterian Church *+	Weed	CA	25		23		3					
17	Hope Presbyterian Church	Rogue River	OR	52	53	30	30	15	15	2	1	0	1
18	Jacksonville Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	OR	397	398	502	563	208	175	6	16	6	20
19	Kenton Church *&	Portland	OR										
20	Kitsap House	Port Orchard	WA	44	56	73	89	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	Living Waters Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Wendell	ID	83	81	70	75	15	15	1	0	0	0
22	Logos Presbyterian Church	Lynnwood	WA	72	92	70	90	3	4	1	0	1	0
23	McCloud Community Presbyterian Church	McCloud	CA	24	25	30	35	3	3	3	0	0	0
24	Mercy Church &!+	Spokane	WA		16		50		0	4		1	
25	Merrill Presbyterian Church	Merrill	OR	65	59	34	30	5	5				
26	Montesano Presbyterian Church &!	Montesano	WA		46		42			1			
27	New Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Burney	CA	13	12	12	10	0					
28	New Hope Presbyterian Church	Kent	WA	188	193	161	172	0	0	2	0	0	3
29	Oakville Presbyterian Church	Shedd	OR	129	127	109	114	43	45	0	0	0	0
30	Okanogan Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Okanogan	WA	14	20	20	20	0	0	6	0	0	0
31	Parkdale Community Church	Parkdale	OR	28	29	20	25	6	0	1	0	1	0
32	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Tacoma	WA	63	64	66	63	10	7	0	2	0	0
33	Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church	Klamath Falls	OR	43	58	50	50	5	0	6	2	0	1
34	Roslyn Presbyterian Church	Roslyn	WA	39	39	27	28	3	20				
35	Saddlerock Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Wenatchee	WA	262	273	230	216	75	20	10		2	1
36	Sequim Community Church	Sequim	WA	424	450	389	417	212	163	49	19	12	19
37	Sterry Memorial Presbyterian Church	Parma	ID	175	161	111	108	0		1	2	1	
38	Sunset Presbyterian Church	Portland	OR	547	565	524	606	524	366			13	6
39	Terrace Heights Evangelical Presbyterian Church &	Yakima	WA		30		27		5	2			

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	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
40	Wabash Church	Auburn	WA	193	170	227	225	55	20	0	0	6	15
41	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Woodland	WA	79	81	57	59	13	12	0	0	1	0
		TOTAL		**5,179**	**5,305**	**5,374**	**4,978**	**1,820**	**1,167**	**293**	**122**	**73**	**96**

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1	Alder Presbyterian Church *	Eatonville	WA				$0		$0							
2	Bickleton Evangelical Community Church	Bickleton	WA	$145,991	$145,991	$128,341	$0	$2,650	$0	$15,000	$0	$0	$0			
3	Calvin Presbyterian Church	Corvallis	OR	$233,267	$294,777	$247,131	$2,018	$4,036	$0	$61,510						
4	Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church	Gig Harbor	WA	$3,317,199	$4,368,614	$3,328,494	$32,125	$64,000	$12,600	$496,269		$60,000		Yes	Yes	Yes
5	Chinese Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Portland	OR	$86,284	$38,746	$80,008	$1,000	$2,000	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
6	Christ Community Church (EPC)	Caldwell	ID	$17,160	$206,246	$213,840	$171	$3,755	$300	$6,000	$0	$0	$0			
7	Christ Presbyterian Church	Garden City	ID	$282,000	$282,000		$0	$2,820	$3,100		$0	$0	$0			
8	Community Church of Ephrata	Ephrata	WA	$467,826	$463,940	$427,750	$5,139	$10,278	$16,900	$52,245						
9	Community Presbyterian Church of Onalaska *&	Onalaska	WA				$0		$440							
10	Davenport Presbyterian Church	Davenport	WA	$84,619	$84,619	$143,977	$1,200	$1,600	$0	$2,400	$2,400	$0	$0			Yes
11	Evangelical Valley Presbyterian Church	Hazelton	ID	$129,990	$163,655	$90,321	$0	$1,500	$0	$40,194	$0	$0	$0			
12	Evergreen Church &	Graham	WA	$114,854	$114,854	$153,556	$607	$1,907	$2,042	$5,600	$0	$0	$0			
13	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Oregon City	Oregon City	OR	$675,807	$675,807	$614,140	$4,583	$13,670	$19,446	$37,026						
14	First Presbyterian Church	Redding	CA	$201,922	$151,675	$193,287	$0	$2,100	$1,200	$20,000	$0	$0	$0			
15	First Presbyterian Church of Fairbanks	Fairbanks	AK	$574,138	$551,120	$568,575	$6,100	$6,100	$7,000	$27,997	$0	$0	$0			
16	Grace Community Presbyterian Church *+	Weed	CA				$0		$453							
17	Hope Presbyterian Church	Rogue River	OR	$0	$182,924	$173,294	$0	$2,600	$0	$12,720	$0	$0	$0			
18	Jacksonville Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	OR	$1,500,377	$1,500,377	$1,337,907	$0	$12,000	$39,789	$85,250	$8,000		$0	Yes		Yes
19	Kenton Church *&	Portland	OR				$0		$520							
20	Kitsap House	Port Orchard	WA	$321,166	$321,166	$314,710	$2,498	$6,663	$500	$11,915		$15,000			Yes	
21	Living Waters Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Wendell	ID	$178,664	$177,290	$124,083	$1,791	$3,582	$1,650	$14,813	$0	$0	$0			
22	Logos Presbyterian Church	Lynnwood	WA	$205,859	$196,194	$175,659	$1,850	$3,700	$1,208	$8,300	$0	$0	$0			
23	McCloud Community Presbyterian Church	McCloud	CA	$93,821	$93,821	$84,080	$0	$2,902	$1,007	$6,500	$0	$0	$0			
24	Mercy Church &!+	Spokane	WA	$136,000	$136,000	$130,000	$0	$0	$0	$0						Yes
25	Merrill Presbyterian Church	Merrill	OR	$116,530	$95,316	$140,930	$0	$1,138	$0	$1,150						
26	Montesano Presbyterian Church &!	Montesano	WA	$164,444		$102,835	$0	$1,500	$0	$11,600						
27	New Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Burney	CA		$33,120	$25,149	$299	$611	$1,280	$7,360						
28	New Hope Presbyterian Church	Kent	WA	$979,745	$816,461	$932,740	$7,500	$7,500	$0	$12,447	$7,500	$0	$0		Yes	
29	Oakville Presbyterian Church	Shedd	OR	$299,840	$264,123	$251,738	$0	$2,713	$1,000	$27,760	$0	$0	$0			
30	Okanogan Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Okanogan	WA	$44,975	$44,975	$41,557	$460	$880	$300	$1,000	$0	$0	$0			
31	Parkdale Community Church	Parkdale	OR	$120,815	$119,765	$116,336	$1,243	$2,500	$1,800	$9,000	$0	$0	$0			
32	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Tacoma	WA	$184,355	$184,355	$192,149	$1,895	$12,000	$10,000	$26,724		$2,000				Yes
33	Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church	Klamath Falls	OR	$166,380	$159,820	$164,187	$770	$5,200	$2,000	$6,000	$0	$1,200	$0			Yes
34	Roslyn Presbyterian Church	Roslyn	WA		$123,352	$134,747	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
35	Saddlerock Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Wenatchee	WA	$988,005	$1,024,120	$912,535	$8,575	$17,150	$20,428	$99,563						Yes
36	Sequim Community Church	Sequim	WA	$1,548,124	$1,511,086	$1,464,118	$0	$41,783	$43,626	$125,190	$700				Yes	Yes
37	Sterry Memorial Presbyterian Church	Parma	ID		$253,498	$230,178	$1,853	$5,000	$0	$10,783						
38	Sunset Presbyterian Church	Portland	OR	$2,293,530	$2,423,169	$2,277,613	$0	$24,000	$0	$187,760						

39	Terrace Heights Evangelical Presbyterian Church &	Yakima	WA	$96,500		$115,000	$0	$1,000	$900		$0	$0	$0		Yes	
40	Wabash Church	Auburn	WA	$762,912	$717,019	$563,666	$8,065	$17,908	$2,000	$67,824	$0	$0	$0			
41	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Woodland	WA	$178,173	$172,403	$279,224	$2,402	$5,974	$6,500	$15,755	$1,000	$0	$0			Yes
		TOTAL		**$16,711,272**	**$18,092,398**	**$16,473,854**	**$92,144**	**$294,719**	**$197,989**	**$1,513,654**	**$19,600**	**$78,200**	**$0**	**2**	**5**	**9**

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				Membership		Avg. Worship Attendance		Avg. Virtual Attendance		Professions of Faith		Adult	Infant/Child
	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	Centerpoint Community Church of Roseville	Roseville	CA	702	642	538	542	130	78	23		24	1
2	Centerville Presbyterian Church	Fremont	CA	306	301	173	226	55	52	1	0	1	3
3	Christ Church East Bay	Berkeley	CA	153	153	227	232	11	7	4	4	5	5
4	Christ Community Church	Carmichael	CA	998	981	559	608	325	260	67	0	17	34
5	Clayton Community Church	Clayton	CA	99	120	300	200	30	20			13	7
6	Community Presbyterian Church of Danville	Danville	CA	1,776	1,800	1,293	1,561	1,602	2,295	0	0	74	40
7	Cornerstone Woodlake	Woodlake	CA	94	97	74	76		0	1	0	1	0
8	Covenant Community Church	Vacaville	CA	120	144	100	100	10	15	2	2	2	3
9	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Reno	NV	173	167	128	105	6	7	8	2	0	0
10	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Orange	Orange	CA	199	190	156	160	80	80	1	0	1	5
11	Covenant Presbyterian Church of San Diego	San Diego	CA	101	112	135	140	30	30			0	0
12	Easton Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	207	204	63	64	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church	Fair Oaks	CA	828	873	507	513			29	5	6	3
14	First Armenian Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	170	180	145	160	21	21	0	0	0	1
15	First Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	568	523	366	331	10	18	4	0	0	0
16	First Presbyterian Church	Hanford	CA	75	74	86	83	100	50	2	0	0	0
17	First Presbyterian Church of Bakersfield	Bakersfield	CA	372	359	252	266	111	98	0	0	2	4
18	Fowler Presbyterian Church	Fowler	CA	150	156	95	88	5	10	4	2	4	
19	Fremont Presbyterian Church	Sacramento	CA	602	577	550	550	75	40	12	18	2	7
20	Heritage Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Santa Maria	CA	33	33	29	32	18	16	0	0	0	0
21	Hope Presbyterian Church	Folsom	CA	74	61	49	49	5	0	0	0	0	0
22	Kingman Presbyterian Church	Kingman	AZ	114	90	85	80	20	0	8	4	2	6
23	Millbrook Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA		10		0		0	0	0	0	0
24	Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church	Moraga	CA	562	406	288	293	61	109	11	0	7	5
25	New Life Community Church	Covelo	CA	10	11	13	18	0	0	0	1	0	0
26	San Ramon Presbyterian Church	San Ramon	CA	119	88	97	84	43	46	0	0	0	3
27	Sierra Presbyterian Church	Nevada City	CA	236	159	140	139	54	65	1	0	3	6
28	St. John Assyrian Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Turlock	CA	173	170	90	95	285	280	2	0	0	3
29	Valley Community Church	San Jacinto	CA	15	15	54	55	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Wintersburg Presbyterian Church	Santa Ana	CA	328	337					5		3	3
		TOTAL		**9,357**	**9,033**	**6,592**	**6,850**	**3,087**	**3,597**	**185**	**38**	**167**	**139**

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	Church	City	State	Income to General Operating fund	Tithes and Offerings	Local Program and Operating Expenses	POI 2025	Presbytery Giving	WO Giving 2025	Non-EPC Missions and Outreach Giving	Presbytery Church Plants	Direct to EPC	Direct to Non-EPC	Parent	Partner	Patron
1	Centerpoint Community Church of Roseville	Roseville	CA	$2,161,015	$2,161,015	$2,009,073	$11,835	$23,670	$0	$104,090	$1,600					Yes
2	Centerville Presbyterian Church	Fremont	CA	$1,134,667	$988,310	$1,244,041	$6,876	$4,488	$21,699	$171,941	$5,000	$0	$1,000	Yes	Yes	Yes
3	Christ Church East Bay	Berkeley	CA	$1,716,690	$1,658,352	$1,458,862	$5,000	$8,500	$0	$77,000	$0	$0	$12,000			Yes
4	Christ Community Church	Carmichael	CA	$2,199,500	$2,199,500	$2,179,800	$22,780	$34,000	$0	$64,000			$7,500			Yes
5	Clayton Community Church	Clayton	CA	$650,000	$650,000	$597,451	$969	$6,500	$1,700	$22,750					Yes	Yes
6	Community Presbyterian Church of Danville	Danville	CA	$6,954,654	$6,713,533	$7,245,553	$45,000	$75,972	$0	$795,101					Yes	
7	Cornerstone Woodlake	Woodlake	CA	$195,763	$178,535	$253,745	$3,272	$4,090	$0	$8,217	$0	$0	$0			
8	Covenant Community Church	Vacaville	CA	$565,019	$502,040	$587,392	$5,039	$7,558	$0	$4,652		$5,000				
9	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Reno	NV	$478,075	$491,361	$486,813	$4,454	$4,453	$8,000	$43,436	$0	$0	$0			
10	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Orange	Orange	CA		$687,038	$973,988	$2,220	$5,786	$5,967	$76,667						
11	Covenant Presbyterian Church of San Diego	San Diego	CA	$531,963	$531,963	$524,963	$5,300	$2,700	$300	$52,460		$6,000				Yes
12	Easton Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	$302,796	$278,033	$358,698	$2,320	$1,296	$0	$26,009	$0	$0	$0			
13	Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church	Fair Oaks	CA	$2,272,321	$2,974,617	$2,902,958	$19,836	$10,757	$7,200	$268,102	$0	$6,000	$0			Yes
14	First Armenian Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	$0	$753,493	$896,949	$8,018	$5,890	$2,256	$79,086	$0	$0	$1			
15	First Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	$1,871,604	$1,871,604	$1,550,034	$15,070	$28,335	$19,020	$129,461	$27,110	$0	$0		Yes	
16	First Presbyterian Church	Hanford	CA	$277,096	$272,927	$277,096	$2,513	$3,769	$0	$11,355	$0	$250	$0		Yes	
17	First Presbyterian Church of Bakersfield	Bakersfield	CA	$1,745,223	$1,557,769	$1,520,281	$12,000	$7,050	$0	$160,520	$30,889	$0	$0			Yes
18	Fowler Presbyterian Church	Fowler	CA	$355,684	$449,618	$310,460	$2,000	$2,000	$0	$17,650						Yes
19	Fremont Presbyterian Church	Sacramento	CA	$2,442,710	$2,449,927	$3,210,718	$18,000	$17,000	$8,800	$368,312	$5,000					Yes
20	Heritage Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Santa Maria	CA	$64,700	$64,670	$126,400	$150	$649	$900	$3,600	$250	$0	$0			Yes
21	Hope Presbyterian Church	Folsom	CA	$316,664	$316,664	$222,685	$3,613	$7,520	$2,200	$9,275						
22	Kingman Presbyterian Church	Kingman	AZ	$204,847	$191,184	$42,450	$1,958	$11,628	$1,200	$9,508	$0	$0	$0			
23	Millbrook Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	$64,435	$34,235	$59,442	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
24	Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church	Moraga	CA	$2,516,384	$2,467,421	$1,827,573	$12,288	$14,755	$8,657	$120,000	$0	$0	$1,000		Yes	
25	New Life Community Church	Covelo	CA	$28,879	$24,335	$28,350	$280	$3,609	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
26	San Ramon Presbyterian Church	San Ramon	CA	$638,353	$638,347	$709,668	$7,019	$3,510	$21,000	$33,474	$0	$0	$5,200			Yes
27	Sierra Presbyterian Church	Nevada City	CA	$467,064	$465,917	$620,470	$5,058	$14,797	$3,000	$67,369		$4,000				Yes
28	St. John Assyrian Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Turlock	CA		$155,475	$229,607	$0	$2,019	$0	$2,000	$0	$0	$0			
29	Valley Community Church	San Jacinto	CA	$161,829	$161,829	$196,068	$0	$650	$0	$43,249						
30	Wintersburg Presbyterian Church	Santa Ana	CA				$9,600		$0		$0	$0	$0			
		TOTAL		**$30,317,935**	**$31,889,711**	**$32,651,589**	**$232,466**	**$312,951**	**$111,900**	**$2,769,285**	**$69,849**	**$21,250**	**$26,701**	**1**	**6**	**13**

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1	Alexis United Presbyterian Church (EPC)	Alexis	IL	92	98	41	46	138	299	0	0	0	1
2	Aplington Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Aplington	IA	115	112	66	65	7	7	0	3	0	2
3	Bethel Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Reading	MN	92	88	48	44	10	6	0	0	0	3
4	Edgerton First Reformed Church	Edgerton	MN	272	269	145	144	25	25	0	2	0	3
5	Edgington Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Taylor Ridge	IL	222	234	123	133	250	80	16	0	6	4
6	Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Crivitz	WI	87	80	78	86	9	11	0	0	0	0
7	First Presbyterian Church &!	Holland	MN		57		31		70	0	2	0	1
8	First Presbyterian Church	Little Rock	IA	128	103	66	68	0	0	0	3	0	1
9	First Presbyterian Church of Aurora	Aurora	IL	355	193	156	133	39	35	0	0	0	2
10	First Presbyterian Church of Mora	Mora	MN	41	36	35	38	0					
11	First Presbyterian Church of Waukegan	Waukegan	IL	71	68	54	53	8	8	0	0	0	0
12	First Presbyterian Evangelical Church	Montezuma	IA	71	65	82	85	6	5	0	0	1	2
13	First United Presbyterian Church	Moline	IL	126	115	92	95	48	13	0	3	0	3
14	GracePoint Church	Dubuque	IA	83	73	48	48	8	8	0	0	0	0
15	Highview Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Dousman	WI	187	185	184	184	35	40	6	0	1	2
16	Hillsboro Presbyterian Church	Hillsboro	IL	185	192	125	145	75	75	10	13	2	2
17	Hogarty Community Church	Birnamwood	WI	45	45	25	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Grayslake	IL	60		45	46	10	10	0	0	0	0
19	Immanuel Presbyterian Church	Warrenville	IL	300	234	233	227	100	115	0	0	0	0
20	Kishwaukee Community EPC	Stillman Valley	IL	284	300	142	144	0	0	9	4	9	2
21	Leota Community Church &!	Leota	MN		159		115		0	0	0	0	0
22	Riverside Evangelical Church	Sartell	MN	73	69	60	60	4	4	0	0	0	4
23	Romine Prairie Presbyterian Church	Kell	IL	9	9	7	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
24	Roseland Reformed Church	Blomkest	MN	136	127	130	100	29	10	0	1	0	5
25	Trinity Presbyterian Church *	Sparta	IL	61		41		61					
26	United Presbyterian Church of Amberg	Amberg	WI	18	14	16	18	0	0	14	0	0	2
27	Wabash Presbyterian Church at Orio	Allendale	IL	86	82	76	75	10	10	0	0	0	0
28	Zion Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Alton	IL	13	13	16	16	0	0	0	0	0	0
		TOTAL		**3,212**	**3,020**	**2,134**	**2,235**	**872**	**831**	**55**	**31**	**19**	**39**

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1	Alexis United Presbyterian Church (EPC)	Alexis	IL	$98,399	$82,240	$97,604	$0	$728	$0	$4,184	$0	$0	$0			
2	Aplington Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Aplington	IA	$165,831	$165,704	$167,514	$1,578	$10,519	$3,600	$19,120	$2,657	$0	$0			Yes
3	Bethel Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Reading	MN	$59,870	$59,870	$50,937	$863	$4,778	$306	$5,700	$0	$0	$0			
4	Edgerton First Reformed Church	Edgerton	MN	$1,152	$403,926	$390,501	$0	$2,654	$0	$26,676	$0	$0	$0			
5	Edgington Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Taylor Ridge	IL	$236,739	$236,739	$232,523	$2,500	$5,000	$22,275	$17,612	$0	$17,000	$0		Yes	Yes
6	Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Crivitz	WI	$165	$163,925	$164,769	$1,630	$1,630	$4,000	$11,300		$1,400	$2,200		Yes	Yes
7	First Presbyterian Church &!	Holland	MN	$143,750	$90,000	$80,000	$0	$1,000	$0	$14,000						
8	First Presbyterian Church	Little Rock	IA	$93,959	$93,959	$62,542	$0	$809	$0	$7,200	$0	$0	$2,500			Yes
9	First Presbyterian Church of Aurora	Aurora	IL	$591,658	$591,658	$463,334	$6,544	$6,446	$3,900	$64,695	$1,500	$3,900	$0			Yes
10	First Presbyterian Church of Mora	Mora	MN	$89,020	$89,020	$68,403	$943	$1,600	$1,400	$3,646						
11	First Presbyterian Church of Waukegan	Waukegan	IL	$207,410	$235,812	$332,557	$2,061	$2,618	$0	$28,402	$0	$2,163	$0			Yes
12	First Presbyterian Evangelical Church	Montezuma	IA	$223,071	$223,071	$227,665	$675	$2,024	$0	$4,000						
13	First United Presbyterian Church	Moline	IL	$375,774	$501,411	$289,390	$3,632	$11,832	$8,200	$87,161	$5,000	$0	$0			
14	GracePoint Church	Dubuque	IA	$133,900	$171,900	$140,950	$913	$1,720	$8,040	$24,600	$0	$0	$0			
15	Highview Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Dousman	WI	$413,105	$668,895	$290,196	$4,000	$4,000	$19,970	$32,000	$3,900		$600			Yes
16	Hillsboro Presbyterian Church	Hillsboro	IL	$255,787	$255,788	$276,080	$0		$7,200	$17,390						
17	Hogarty Community Church	Birnamwood	WI	$43,619	$47,685	$34,946	$429	$4,858	$4,000	$7,520	$0	$0	$0			
18	Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Grayslake	IL	$224,182	$251,652	$195,094	$1,440	$6,960	$4,500	$7,500	$0	$0	$0			
19	Immanuel Presbyterian Church	Warrenville	IL	$1,040,308	$1,185,348	$1,211,967	$6,544	$14,057	$20,000	$90,000						
20	Kishwaukee Community EPC	Stillman Valley	IL	$494,882	$494,882	$479,426	$5,442	$11,384	$0	$58,718	$0	$2,000	$0			
21	Leota Community Church &!	Leota	MN	$205,173	$293,025	$241,300	$2,309	$2,581	$4,000	$48,322						
22	Riverside Evangelical Church	Sartell	MN	$267,787	$250,578	$226,017	$2,525	$4,377	$9,426	$11,631	$2,000	$0	$0			Yes
23	Romine Prairie Presbyterian Church	Kell	IL	$47,518	$9,120	$8,540	$0	$230	$1,500	$1,500	$1,200	$0	$0			
24	Roseland Reformed Church	Blomkest	MN	$201,516	$255,004	$208,713	$1,560	$3,120	$0	$38,264						Yes
25	Trinity Presbyterian Church *	Sparta	IL				$2,170		$0							
26	United Presbyterian Church of Amberg	Amberg	WI	$36,073	$33,758	$30,874	$253	$2,400	$2,200	$1,000	$0	$0	$0			
27	Wabash Presbyterian Church at Orio	Allendale	IL	$207,622	$231,851	$207,927	$3,948	$4,000	$0	$31,259	$0	$0	$0			
28	Zion Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Alton	IL	$2,067	$69,921	$26,282	$0	$0	$0	$3,950						
		TOTAL		**$5,860,337**	**$7,156,742**	**$6,206,051**	**$51,957**	**$111,325**	**$124,517**	**$667,349**	**$16,257**	**$26,463**	**$5,300**	**0**	**2**	**9**

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				Membership		Avg. Worship Attendance		Avg. Virtual Attendance		Professions of Faith		Adult	Infant/Child
	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	All Souls Fellowship Church	Decatur	GA	251	248	258	272	26	23	0	11	0	11
2	Bethany Presbyterian Church	Kingsport	TN	44	48	53	53	6	6	5	0	0	3
3	Brainerd Presbyterian Church	Chattanooga	TN	123	120	85	75	20	8	4	0	0	1
4	Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church	Knoxville	TN	3,127	3,377	2,212	2,237	1,000	800	79	57	8	61
5	Central Presbyterian Church *&	Hyden	KY										
6	Christ Church Presbyterian Church	Dalton	GA	513	470	270	250	35	37	2	0	0	8
7	Church of the Redeemer	Maryville	TN	144	200	203	213	0	0	1	3	0	2
8	Community Evangelistic Church *	Knoxville	TN	150		114		50					
9	Cornerstone Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Franklin	NC	27	29	27	28	13	13				1
10	Crosswalk Community Church	Knoxville	TN	53	50	50	50						
11	Eastminster Presbyterian Church	Knoxville	TN	123	127	80	98	5	5	0	0	0	1
12	Faith Presbyterian Church &	McDonough	GA		151		125		143	0	2	0	5
13	Farner Presbyterian Church	Farner	TN	38	38	25			5	0	0	1	0
14	First Presbyterian Church &!	Bainbridge	GA		136		60		200	3	0	0	0
15	First Presbyterian Church	Donalsonville	GA	140	138	55	65	224	15	0	0	0	0
16	First Presbyterian Church *	Stanton	KY	52		32		0					
17	First Presbyterian Church of Rome	Rome	GA	820	856	465	524	2	13	0	11	1	29
18	First Presbyterian Church of Thomasville	Thomasville	GA	585	615	222	283	185	185	18	21	1	11
19	Grace Presbyterian Church	Franklin	NC	95	100	85	95	5	25	2	0	0	3
20	Greenbriar Presbyterian Church *	Manchester	KY	62		55		1,000					
21	Hope Fellowship EPC	Chickamauga	GA	32	32	32	32	0					
22	Lookout Valley Presbyterian Church	Chattanooga	TN	62	45	40	38		0				
23	Mars Hill Presbyterian Church	Acworth	GA	320	322	160	180	135	35	9	1	0	5
24	Murphy Presbyterian Church EPC	Murphy	NC	31	30	30	29	4	4	0	0	0	0
25	New Beginning Church	Spring City	TN	18	18	18	18	16	16	0	0	0	0
26	New Hope EPC	Kingsport	TN	45	45	25	25	5	5	0	0	0	0
27	NewLife Gathering	Knoxville	TN	201	222	170	190	70	50	23	5	28	3
28	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Cumming	GA	132	153	121	122	59	42	19	4	6	1
29	Providence Church	Clyde	NC	52	61	65	60	5	4	0	0	1	0
30	Resurrection Chattanooga *&	Chattanooga	TN										
31	Signal Mountain Presbyterian Church	Signal Mountain	TN	902	1,882	821	986	242	112	26	20	1	15
32	Trinity Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Loganville	GA	48		55		100					
33	Trion Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Trion	GA	30	30	24	24	100	0	0	0	0	0
34	Valleybrook Presbyterian Church	Hixson	TN	40	45	40	41	3	3	5	0	0	4
35	Water Stone Presbyterian Church *&+	Smyrna	GA										
36	Wilson Station Presbyterian Church	Englewood	TN	14	13	14	16	150	75	0	0	0	0
37	Wooton Presbyterian Church (EPC), Inc.	Wooton	KY	27	19	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0

		TOTAL		**8,301**	**9,620**	**5,931**	**6,214**	**3,460**	**1,824**	**196**	**135**	**47**	**164**

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											Church Planting					
	Church	City	State	Income to General Operating fund	Tithes and Offerings	Local Program and Operating Expenses	POI 2025	Presbytery Giving	WO Giving 2025	Non-EPC Missions and Outreach Giving	Presbytery Church Plants	Direct to EPC	Direct to Non-EPC	Parent	Partner	Patron
1	All Souls Fellowship Church	Decatur	GA	$1,600,000	$1,600,000	$1,442,780	$0	$18,000	$0	$139,220	$0	$10,000	$0		Yes	Yes
2	Bethany Presbyterian Church	Kingsport	TN	$111,024	$111,024	$107,151	$1,168	$935	$550	$0						
3	Brainerd Presbyterian Church	Chattanooga	TN	$323,476	$316,940	$261,280	$1,650	$3,000	$0	$31,686	$0	$0	$0			
4	Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church	Knoxville	TN	$10,740,501	$8,459,210	$16,674,990	$60,000	$25,000	$35,600	$2,913,963	$16,000	$130,500	$1,500,000	Yes	Yes	Yes
5	Central Presbyterian Church *&	Hyden	KY				$0		$0							
6	Christ Church Presbyterian Church	Dalton	GA	$2,147,542	$1,937,769	$2,405,641	$17,584	$61,501	$13,853	$347,732	$6,000	$10,000	$0			Yes
7	Church of the Redeemer	Maryville	TN	$745,000	$723,000	$744,000	$6,492	$4,800	$4,229	$75,000	$6,000	$34,000	$10,000	Yes	Yes	
8	Community Evangelistic Church *	Knoxville	TN				$1,000		$0							
9	Cornerstone Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Franklin	NC	$144,610	$2,914	$111,591	$1,154	$923	$1,080	$200	$0	$0	$0			
10	Crosswalk Community Church	Knoxville	TN	$152,177	$152,177	$147,530	$1,608	$1,280	$1,420	$6,965						Yes
11	Eastminster Presbyterian Church	Knoxville	TN	$342,352	$346,786	$331,588	$3,510	$2,808	$0	$27,299	$0	$0	$0			
12	Faith Presbyterian Church &	McDonough	GA	$388,468	$512,802	$373,931	$2,750	$3,700	$2,250	$34,046	$800					
13	Farner Presbyterian Church	Farner	TN	$82,520	$82,520	$78,445	$479	$1,660	$0		$0	$500	$0			
14	First Presbyterian Church &!	Bainbridge	GA		$442,243	$81,600	$4,000	$7,200	$0		$0	$0	$0			
15	First Presbyterian Church	Donalsonville	GA	$238,345	$220,168	$206,912	$0	$1,944	$0	$36,655	$0	$0	$0			
16	First Presbyterian Church *	Stanton	KY				$0		$0							
17	First Presbyterian Church of Rome	Rome	GA	$3,094,480	$4,184,526	$2,594,291	$27,897	$24,320	$91,382	$490,236	$0	$20,000	$0			
18	First Presbyterian Church of Thomasville	Thomasville	GA	$1,916,124	$1,695,080	$1,696,240	$16,939	$17,336	$32,500	$249,349						
19	Grace Presbyterian Church	Franklin	NC	$204,840	$241,554	$198,203	$1,300	$4,600	$0	$17,075	$2,000	$0	$0			Yes
20	Greenbriar Presbyterian Church *	Manchester	KY				$0		$3,600							
21	Hope Fellowship EPC	Chickamauga	GA	$95,700	$102,083	$78,000	$680	$540	$360	$7,500		$1,000				Yes
22	Lookout Valley Presbyterian Church	Chattanooga	TN	$157,975	$141,433	$124,837	$1,474	$1,965	$8,006	$8,750		$1,300				Yes
23	Mars Hill Presbyterian Church	Acworth	GA	$549,778	$549,778	$533,285	$3,420	$9,490	$0	$228,689	$2,760					Yes
24	Murphy Presbyterian Church EPC	Murphy	NC	$74,351	$74,351	$74,351	$607	$1,075	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
25	New Beginning Church	Spring City	TN	$78,179	$77,957	$44,520	$960	$384	$0	$500	$0	$0	$0			
26	New Hope EPC	Kingsport	TN	$52,773	$52,773	$63,012	$600	$1,800	$600	$4,200	$0	$0	$0		Yes	
27	NewLife Gathering	Knoxville	TN	$1,120,655	$1,120,655	$925,641	$0	$2,500	$0	$40,387					Yes	
28	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Cumming	GA	$575,978	$539,135	$564,976	$500	$5,000	$0	$30,805	$2,500	$0	$0			
29	Providence Church	Clyde	NC	$195,651	$187,939	$202,953	$750	$2,250	$6,040	$16,620	$0	$0	$0			
30	Resurrection Chattanooga *&	Chattanooga	TN				$0		$0							
31	Signal Mountain Presbyterian Church	Signal Mountain	TN	$4,560,000	$4,356,708	$4,043,000	$40,000	$101,000	$58,000	$730,166	$25,000	$20,000	$10,000			Yes
32	Trinity Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Loganville	GA				$0		$0							
33	Trion Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Trion	GA	$97,452	$96,144	$70,885	$800	$4,247	$1,997	$6,176	$0	$0	$0			
34	Valleybrook Presbyterian Church	Hixson	TN	$175,557	$172,157	$162,379	$1,596	$7,896	$3,600	$5,711	$0	$0	$0			
35	Water Stone Presbyterian Church *&+	Smyrna	GA				$0		$0							
36	Wilson Station Presbyterian Church	Englewood	TN	$40,032	$22,483	$37,013	$0	$463	$0	$1,500	$0	$0	$0			
37	Wooton Presbyterian Church (EPC), Inc.	Wooton	KY	$35,045	$33,780	$39,590	$367	$1,067	$0	$2,500		$294				

		TOTAL		**$30,040,586**	**$28,556,089**	**$34,420,614**	**$199,285**	**$318,684**	**$265,066**	**$5,452,928**	**$61,060**	**$227,594**	**$1,520,000**	**2**	**5**	**9**

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				Membership		Avg. Worship Attendance		Avg. Virtual Attendance		Professions of Faith		Adult	Infant/Child
	Church	City	State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	Advent Presbyterian Church	Cordova	TN	1,031	1,043	428	503	280	223			1	5
2	Canyons Community Church	Castle Rock	CO	132	115	144	125	12	13	0	3	0	1
3	Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church	Englewood	CO	1,352	1,393	1,494	1,500	500	800	26	10	26	10
4	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO	2,447	2,911	2,398	2,732	430	498			118	135
5	Christ Community *+	Great Falls	MT	23		40		100					
6	Christ Covenant Church	Leoti	KS	71	70	119	134	0	0	3	8	3	8
7	Christ Fellowship Church	Fort Collins	CO	53	58	75	76	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Christ Reformed Presbyterian Church	Torrington	WY	40	32	36	32	0	0				
9	Community Protestant Church	West Yellowstone	MT	40	40	41	41	4	4	0	0	0	1
10	Cornerstone Church of Stapleton ^	Stapleton	NE	25	18	27	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Cornerstone Community Church &	Aurora	CO		35		32		12	0	1	0	0
12	Cornerstone Community Church of Greeley	Greeley	CO	273	263	182	174	120	110	0	0	0	0
13	Covenant Community Church	Aurora	CO	16	16	11	12	1	1	0	0	0	0
14	Desert Hills Presbyterian Church	Scottsdale	AZ	583	569	326	316	48	42	15	5	1	5
15	Evangelical Presbyterian Church &	Hazelton	ND		20		20		0	0	0	0	0
16	Faith Evangelical Church CO	Loveland	CO	340	348	308	312	126	117	10	8	4	0
17	Faith Presbyterian Church *&	Aurora	CO										
18	First Presbyterian Church *&	Dexter	NM										
19	First Presbyterian Church	Levelland	TX	72	81	32	30	10	11	1	3	4	
20	Good Shepherd Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Ajo	AZ	9	11		35	0	1,000	20	0	1	0
21	Grace Community Church	Falcon	CO	105	70	80	75	5	3	4	11	4	3
22	Grace Community Church	Surprise	AZ	127	144	148	162	11	10	21	0	6	0
23	Grace Community Fellowship	Helena	MT	48	35	34	30	15	15	0	0	0	0
24	Grace Lakin !+	Lakin	KS	93	30	95	84	2	10	2	3	0	4
25	Grace Reformed Church EPC	Casper	WY	46	45	38	39	2	5	0	0	0	0
26	GracePoint Community Church	Littleton	CO	52	53	60	57	9	7	0	0	0	0
27	Greenwood Community Church	Greenwood Village	CO	399	410	570	617	99	96	30	9	6	4
28	Highline Community Church	Centennial	CO	329	330	147	128	61	66	7	4	2	3
29	Littleton Christian Church	Littleton	CO	43	43	80	90	0	0	0	0	0	2
30	Longview EPC	Longview	TX	220	201	112	122	26	63	5	3	2	2
31	Neighborhood Church *	Littleton	CO			45		2					
32	Open Door Presbyterian Church *&!+	Richardson	TX										
33	Panhandle Presbyterian Church *&	Guymon	OK										
34	Parker Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Parker	CO	522	539	749	790	189	218	5	24	2	9
35	Springhill Presbyterian Church	Bozeman	MT	340	348	300	301	33	30	0	0	6	9
36	The Table Project *	Denver	CO	0		0		0					
37	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Lubbock	TX	444	444	215	215	0	0	1	10	3	12
		TOTAL		**9,275**	**9,715**	**8,334**	**8,799**	**2,085**	**3,354**	**150**	**102**	**189**	**213**

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1	Advent Presbyterian Church	Cordova	TN	$1,957,728	$1,691,933	$2,013,645	$10,200	$42,500	$19,700	$63,465	$2,400				Yes	
2	Canyons Community Church	Castle Rock	CO	$503,783	$460,147	$552,392	$0	$500	$0	$29,000	$0	$0	$0			
3	Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church	Englewood	CO	$4,274,000	$4,776,730	$4,182,000	$35,000	$43,005	$67,212	$453,747						Yes
4	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO	$13,093,823	$11,260,417	$9,866,556	$22,917	$45,000	$12,700	$1,061,847	$0	$0	$0			
5	Christ Community *+	Great Falls	MT				$0		$0							
6	Christ Covenant Church	Leoti	KS	$960,281	$960,281	$377,168	$0	$3,700	$0	$29,303	$2,000	$0	$2,000	Yes	Yes	Yes
7	Christ Fellowship Church	Fort Collins	CO	$332,481	$332,481	$291,033	$3,600	$500	$0	$10,000	$0	$0	$0			
8	Christ Reformed Presbyterian Church	Torrington	WY	$106,660	$112,048	$995,407	$932	$932	$605	$10,652	$0	$600	$0		Yes	
9	Community Protestant Church	West Yellowstone	MT	$158,877	$158,877	$166,781	$1,800	$1,000	$0	$8,776	$0	$0	$0			
10	Cornerstone Church of Stapleton ^	Stapleton	NE	$65,198	$65,198	$88,463	$0	$0	$0	$4,500	$0	$0	$0			
11	Cornerstone Community Church &	Aurora	CO	$170,000	$143,000	$160,000	$420	$720	$10,920	$10,000	$0	$0	$0			
12	Cornerstone Community Church of Greeley	Greeley	CO	$802,547	$792,112	$886,913	$7,867	$4,020	$6,000	$228,760	$0	$0	$0			
13	Covenant Community Church	Aurora	CO	$96,783	$96,783	$85,762	$0	$900	$0	$1,600			$1,600			
14	Desert Hills Presbyterian Church	Scottsdale	AZ	$1,680,671	$1,619,012	$1,409,547	$9,000	$29,000	$11,000	$334,580		$5,000				Yes
15	Evangelical Presbyterian Church &	Hazelton	ND				$2,300		$0		$0	$0	$0			
16	Faith Evangelical Church CO	Loveland	CO	$1,315,098	$1,259,084	$771,639	$10,000	$2,500	$30,800	$272,896	$0	$0	$0			
17	Faith Presbyterian Church *&	Aurora	CO				$0		$0							
18	First Presbyterian Church *&	Dexter	NM				$2,200		$0							
19	First Presbyterian Church	Levelland	TX	$158,238	$155,748	$162,113	$1,692	$5,400	$1,008	$9,695						
20	Good Shepherd Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Ajo	AZ	$105,742	$76,164	$86,295	$0	$0	$300	$4,572						
21	Grace Community Church	Falcon	CO	$239,411	$238,681	$238,380	$0		$0	$19,540						Yes
22	Grace Community Church	Surprise	AZ	$512,274	$512,274	$385,116	$5,575	$5,078	$19,933	$24,736		$2,200				Yes
23	Grace Community Fellowship	Helena	MT	$103,342	$71,788	$162,736	$0	$0	$0	$5,306	$0	$0	$0			
24	Grace Lakin !+	Lakin	KS	$194,930	$194,930	$200,998	$0		$0	$16,000				Yes		
25	Grace Reformed Church EPC	Casper	WY	$99,000	$97,500	$90,822	$2,500	$2,500	$0	$8,000	$0	$0	$1,500			Yes
26	GracePoint Community Church	Littleton	CO	$282,674	$218,224	$272,014	$3,591	$5,665	$5,832	$10,140	$0	$0	$0			Yes
27	Greenwood Community Church	Greenwood Village	CO	$2,896,568	$2,626,919	$2,495,381	$11,700	$11,700	$8,000	$240,000		$8,000	$13,000		Yes	Yes
28	Highline Community Church	Centennial	CO	$794,289	$682,457	$862,482	$0		$0	$20,227		$900				Yes
29	Littleton Christian Church	Littleton	CO	$337,376	$343,619	$299,384	$2,520	$2,520	$4,800	$14,581	$0	$1,200	$0			
30	Longview EPC	Longview	TX	$727,552	$727,552	$667,583	$6,544	$6,504	$15,566	$42,701		$10,000			Yes	
31	Neighborhood Church *	Littleton	CO				$0		$364							
32	Open Door Presbyterian Church *&!+	Richardson	TX				$0		$0							
33	Panhandle Presbyterian Church *&	Guymon	OK				$0		$0							
34	Parker Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Parker	CO	$2,587,931	$3,009,911	$2,573,101	$18,000	$45,800	$4,044	$781,864	$5,000	$0	$543,556		Yes	Yes
35	Springhill Presbyterian Church	Bozeman	MT	$1,199,639	$1,215,817	$1,031,165	$0	$13,000	$0	$60,134	$0	$0	$0			
36	The Table Project *	Denver	CO				$0		$0							
37	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Lubbock	TX	$1,162,704	$1,125,984	$1,127,820	$0	$2,875	$250	$25,856						

		TOTAL		**$36,919,599**	**$35,025,670**	**$32,502,696**	**$158,358**	**$275,319**	**$219,034**	**$3,802,478**	**$9,400**	**$27,900**	**$561,656**	**2**	**6**	**10**

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	Church	City	State	Presbytery	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Age 18+	Under 18	Baptism	Baptism
1	5point7 Community Church +	Detroit	MI	Midwest	0	41	50	60	50	50	1	1	6	10
2	Advent Presbyterian Church	Cordova	TN	West	1,031	1,043	428	503	280	223			1	5
3	Alder Presbyterian Church *	Eatonville	WA	Pacific Northwest	30		22							
4	Alexis United Presbyterian Church (EPC)	Alexis	IL	Rivers and Lakes	92	98	41	46	138	299	0	0	0	1
5	All Saints Presbyterian Church *	Memphis	TN	Central South	45		35		0					
6	All Souls Church of Austin &+	Austin	TX	Gulf South		30		40		0	1	2	0	2
7	All Souls Fellowship Church	Decatur	GA	Southeast	251	248	258	272	26	23	0	11	0	11
8	Altan Presbyterian Church	Monroe	NC	Central Carolinas	59	57	31	31	0					
9	Amazing Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Highland Heights	OH	Alleghenies	112	82	45	52	20	17	6	0	0	3
10	Antioch Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	45	44	25	25	5	5	0	1	0	1
11	Aplington Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Aplington	IA	Rivers and Lakes	115	112	66	65	7	7	0	3	0	2
12	Ardara Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Ardara	PA	Alleghenies	102	102	62	63	16	14	1	1	2	0
13	Argyle Presbyterian Church	Argyle	NY	East	226	220	149	149	100	100				
14	Asbury Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Westfield	NC	New River	52		35		80					
15	Asheville Hope Community Church +	Asheville	NC	Central Carolinas	0	0	35	40	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	Ashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Voorhees	NJ	East										
17	Athens Church	Kansas City	MO	Mid-America	134	166	230	325	20	15	6	4	5	6
18	Atoka Presbyterian Church	Atoka	TN	Central South	67	67	55	55	0	0	0	0	0	1
19	Attica-Williamsport Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Attica	IN	Midwest	35	34	34	33	3	2	1		1	0
20	Avery Presbyterian Church &	Bellevue	NE	Great Plains		107		73		3	0	0	0	0
21	Banks Presbyterian Church &	Marvin	NC	Central Carolinas		59		46		12	0	0	0	0
22	Barbee Church	Excelsior Springs	MO	Mid-America	59	62	54	49	4	4	0	0	0	0
23	Bathgate Presbyterian Church	Bathgate	ND	Great Plains	74	53	35	35	10	10	0	0	0	0
24	Bay Presbyterian Church	Bay Village	OH	Alleghenies	975	926	580	587	151	215	40	0	1	18
25	Bayou Christian Church	Thibodaux	LA	Gulf South	63	66	40	40	5	5	2		1	1
26	Bellefield Presbyterian Church	Pittsburgh	PA	Alleghenies	257	262	240	207	56	33	0	0	1	2
27	Bellevue Presbyterian Church	Gap	PA	East	158	153	115	115						
28	Bensalem Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Eagle Springs	NC	Central Carolinas	74	74	73	78	162	188	2		2	2
29	Benton Heights Presbyterian Church	Monroe	NC	Central Carolinas	384	410	215	237	26	29	2	2	5	20
30	Bergen Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Bergen	NY	Alleghenies	77	75	56	55	11	10	0	0	0	0
31	Berry Hill Presbyterian Church &!	South Boston	VA	New River		32		20		5	0	0	0	0
32	Bethany Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Havertown	PA	East	172	159	135	124	20	20	5	4	6	0
33	Bethany Presbyterian Church	Kingsport	TN	Southeast	44	48	53	53	6	6	5	0	0	3
34	Bethany Presbyterian Church	Mercer	PA	Alleghenies	140	139	101	111	12	21	13	0	8	2
35	Bethel Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Enon Valley	PA	Alleghenies	230	218	160	162	10	10	5	0	0	6
36	Bethel Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Reading	MN	Rivers and Lakes	92	88	48	44	10	6	0	0	0	3
37	Bethel Presbyterian Church	Claudville	VA	New River	26	26	19	19	0	0	0	0	0	0
38	Bethel Presbyterian Church &	Prosperity	PA	Alleghenies		85		79		0	1	0	0	0
39	Bethel Presbyterian Church	Raeford	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	37	40	31	31	0	0	3	3	0	1
40	Bethlehem Presbyterian Church	Monroe	NC	Central Carolinas	86	88	62	72	4	23	7	1	1	1
41	Bethlehem Steltz Reformed Church	Glen Rock	PA	East	110	105	75	75	25	50	0	0	0	2
42	Bickleton Evangelical Community Church	Bickleton	WA	Pacific Northwest	41	41	30	40	200	10	2	0	0	0
43	Big Creek Presbyterian Church	Hannibal	MO	Mid-America	42	44	30	30	0	0	0	4	0	2
44	Bishopville Presbyterian Church	Bishopville	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	99	99	58	64					0	0
45	Bouldin Memorial Presbyterian Church	Stuart	VA	New River	27	30	39	40	0	0	5	0	0	0

46	Boulevard Church &+	Henrico	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic		0		40		0	0	5	0	0
47	Brainerd Presbyterian Church	Chattanooga	TN	Southeast	123	120	85	75	20	8	4	0	0	1
48	Brazeau Presbyterian Church	Brazeau	MO	Mid-America	255	30	20	20	0	0	2	0	0	2
49	Brick Church Fellowship *	Williamson	NY	East	31		32		2					
50	Bridge City Church *&!	Cleveland	OH	Alleghenies										

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51	Brookdale Presbyterian Church	St. Joseph	MO	Mid-America	155	159	110	125	40	40	5	0	0	2
52	Buck Hill Presbyterian Church &	Newland	NC	Central Carolinas		36		36		24	2	0	0	0
53	Buffalo Presbyterian Church	Greensboro	NC	New River	168	222	149	176	359	449	58	0	0	0
54	Calvary Presbyterian Church	Flint	MI	Midwest	120	127	75	79	10	10	0	0	0	0
55	Calvin Presbyterian Church	Corvallis	OR	Pacific Northwest	80	82	90	95		0			0	1
56	Calvin Presbyterian Church ^	Ellwood City	PA	Alleghenies	79	82	65	74	4	5	7	3	0	1
57	Cameronian Presbyterian Church ^	Rockingham	NC	Central Carolinas	53	53	48	48	92	208	1	0	0	0
58	Canyons Community Church	Castle Rock	CO	West	132	115	144	125	12	13	0	3	0	1
59	Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church	Knoxville	TN	Southeast	3,127	3,377	2,212	2,237	1,000	800	79	57	8	61
60	Cedarville United Presbyterian Church	Cedarville	OH	Midwest	116	102	71	66	15	12	0	0	0	1
61	Center Church *	Grove City	PA	Alleghenies	49		41		11					
62	Centerpoint Community Church of Roseville	Roseville	CA	Pacific Southwest	702	642	538	542	130	78	23		24	1
63	Centerville Presbyterian Church	Fremont	CA	Pacific Southwest	306	301	173	226	55	52	1	0	1	3
64	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO	Mid-America	964	972	612	581	498	536	0	0	1	13
65	Central Presbyterian Church	Huntsville	AL	Central South	305	307	173	178	40	40	4	5	0	0
66	Central Presbyterian Church *&	Hyden	KY	Southeast										
67	Central Presbyterian Church *&	New York	NY	East										
68	Central West End Church	Saint Louis	MO	Mid-America	73	74	110	120	40	10	0	0	0	1
69	Centre Presbyterian Church	Mooresville	NC	Central Carolinas	132	123	65	65	45	50	1	1	1	2
70	Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church	Gig Harbor	WA	Pacific Northwest	1,277	1,269	1,650	924	345	160	146	73	5	7
71	Chelsea Presbyterian Church +	Chelsea	AL	Central South	65	70	55	60			2	1	1	
72	Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church	Englewood	CO	West	1,352	1,393	1,494	1,500	500	800	26	10	26	10
73	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO	West	2,447	2,911	2,398	2,732	430	498			118	135
74	Chinese Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Portland	OR	Pacific Northwest	30	30	25	25	3	2	29	1	0	0
75	Christ Church East Bay	Berkeley	CA	Pacific Southwest	153	153	227	232	11	7	4	4	5	5
76	Christ Church EPC	Anderson	SC	Central Carolinas	65	65	67	71	15	20	1	0	1	0
77	Christ Church Presbyterian Church	Dalton	GA	Southeast	513	470	270	250	35	37	2	0	0	8
78	Christ Community *+	Great Falls	MT	West	23		40		100					
79	Christ Community Church	Carmichael	CA	Pacific Southwest	998	981	559	608	325	260	67	0	17	34
80	Christ Community Church - Montreat	Montreat	NC	Central Carolinas	517	441	514	351	20	60	21	0	0	1
81	Christ Community Church (EPC)	Caldwell	ID	Pacific Northwest	66	69	60	65	0	0	3	0	0	1
82	Christ Community Church, EPC &	Highland Lakes	NJ	East		9		15		0				
83	Christ Covenant Church	Cincinnati	OH	Midwest	187	185	162	169	14	10	0	3	0	4
84	Christ Covenant Church	Leoti	KS	West	71	70	119	134	0	0	3	8	3	8
85	Christ Fellowship Church	Fort Collins	CO	West	53	58	75	76	0	0	0	0	0	0
86	Christ Fellowship Church &	Southern Pines	NC	Central Carolinas		34		30		0	6	0	0	0
87	Christ Presbyterian Church	Daphne	AL	Gulf South	83	70	67	67	0	0	4	1	0	3
88	Christ Presbyterian Church	Garden City	ID	Pacific Northwest	116	116	78	75	20	20	1	3	1	5
89	Christ Presbyterian Church	Springfield	MA	East	80	80	77	80	10	10	0	2	0	4
90	Christ Reformed Presbyterian Church	Torrington	WY	West	40	32	36	32	0	0				
91	Christ Reigns Mission Church &+	Winchester	VA	New River		22		17		0				
92	Christ the King Community Church	Durham	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	102	106	94	93	14	20	6	0	2	0
93	Christ's Community Church	Fort Wayne	IN	Midwest	35	35	54	56	20	29	1	0	0	0
94	Church of the Cross Birmingham !	Vestavia	AL	Central South	4	62	140	160	0	0	0	2	2	4
95	Church of the Redeemer	Maryville	TN	Southeast	144	200	203	213	0	0	1	3	0	2

96	Church of the Resurrection	New Orleans	LA	Gulf South	253	263	243	235	44	77	26	8	4	8
97	City Church	St. Louis	MO	Mid-America	80	87	148	145	0	0	0	0	0	5
98	City Line Church &!	Bala Cynwyd	PA	East		92		110		2	1	3	2	1
99	City of Refuge Church	Houston	TX	Gulf South	100	77	106	105	13	11	0	0	0	2
100	Clayton Community Church	Clayton	CA	Pacific Southwest	99	120	300	200	30	20			13	7

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101	Cleveland Presbyterian Church	Abingdon	VA	New River	26	25	35	28	0	0	0	0	0	0
102	Clifton United Presbyterian Church	Clifton	OH	Midwest	44	43	30	30	0	0	0	0	0	1
103	Closer to God Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kearny	NJ	East	86	76	125	120	230	220	5	0	1	0
104	College Corner Presbyterian Church	College Corner	OH	Midwest	28	31	37	32	0	0	4	0	0	0
105	Colonial Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO	Great Plains	1,508	1,505	1,008	997	418	447	1	18	4	35
106	Colonial Village Presbyterian Church	Niagara Falls	NY	Alleghenies	63	62	32	32	15	15	0	0	0	0
107	Common Grace Church *&+	Katonah	NY	East										
108	Community Church of Ephrata	Ephrata	WA	Pacific Northwest	144	138	179	170	18	17	2	2	6	3
109	Community Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Owosso	MI	Midwest	128	126	136	137	4	7	1	0	1	0
110	Community Evangelistic Church *	Knoxville	TN	Southeast	150		114		50					
111	Community Presbyterian Church &	Clewiston	FL	Florida and the Caribbean		30		28		26	0	0	0	0
112	Community Presbyterian Church of Danville	Danville	CA	Pacific Southwest	1,776	1,800	1,293	1,561	1,602	2,295	0	0	74	40
113	Community Presbyterian Church of Onalaska *&	Onalaska	WA	Pacific Northwest										
114	Community Protestant Church	West Yellowstone	MT	West	40	40	41	41	4	4	0	0	0	1
115	Concord Presbyterian Church	Sumter	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	113	101	52	49	24	18	0	4	0	0
116	Cornerstone Church of Goldsboro *&	Goldsboro	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic										
117	Cornerstone Church of Stapleton ^	Stapleton	NE	West	25	18	27	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
118	Cornerstone Community Church &	Aurora	CO	West		35		32		12	0	1	0	0
119	Cornerstone Community Church of Greeley	Greeley	CO	West	273	263	182	174	120	110	0	0	0	0
120	Cornerstone EPC	Katy	TX	Gulf South	75	71	75	78	5	5	0	2	0	1
121	Cornerstone Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Brighton	MI	Midwest	1,195	1,214	857	972	422	410	3	16	22	7
122	Cornerstone Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Franklin	NC	Southeast	27	29	27	28	13	13				1
123	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	Leawood	KS	Great Plains	233	243	173	173	5	7	1	0	1	0
124	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	Selma	AL	Central South	268	298	120	90	0					3
125	Cornerstone Woodlake	Woodlake	CA	Pacific Southwest	94	97	74	76		0	1	0	1	0
126	Covenant Church	West Lafayette	IN	Midwest	500	505	601	587	175	183	3		4	5
127	Covenant Community Church	Aurora	CO	West	16	16	11	12	1	1	0	0	0	0
128	Covenant Community Church	Vacaville	CA	Pacific Southwest	120	144	100	100	10	15	2	2	2	3
129	Covenant Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Lake Jackson	TX	Gulf South	383	376	190	229	469	546	0	0	1	4
130	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Jackson	MS	Gulf South	201	202	135	145	0	0	0	1	0	1
131	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Ligonier	PA	Alleghenies	258	176	95	120	5	7	5	0	0	3
132	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Mobile	AL	Gulf South	464	550	400	450	0	0	70	0	0	15
133	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Monroe	LA	Gulf South	255	243	195	200	30	25	3	0	8	1
134	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Reno	NV	Pacific Southwest	173	167	128	105	6	7	8	2	0	0
135	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Sharon	PA	Alleghenies	339	316	185	175	100	80	1	5	1	2
136	Covenant Presbyterian Church (The Barn) *	Simsbury	CT	East	170		200		25					
137	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Omaha	Omaha	NE	Great Plains	471	370		212		14	1	0	1	1
138	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Orange	Orange	CA	Pacific Southwest	199	190	156	160	80	80	1	0	1	5
139	Covenant Presbyterian Church of San Diego	San Diego	CA	Pacific Southwest	101	112	135	140	30	30			0	0
140	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Tallahassee	Tallahassee	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	45	36	35	25	10	8	0	0	0	0
141	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Tecumseh	Tecumseh	MI	Midwest	167	172	131	142	50	50			1	4
142	Crosswalk Community Church	Knoxville	TN	Southeast	53	50	50	50						
143	CUP Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Beaver Falls	PA	Alleghenies	118	115	59	59	6	6	0	0	0	0
144	Cypress Springs Presbyterian Church *&	Cameron	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic										
145	Darlington Presbyterian Church	Darlington	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	387	381	111	116	29	16	5	1	2	4

146	Davenport Presbyterian Church	Davenport	WA	Pacific Northwest	41	31	37	37	4	8	0	0	0	0
147	Deerfield Presbyterian Church	Deerfield Street	NJ	East	68	72	51	63	11	13	0	0	0	1
148	Desert Hills Presbyterian Church	Scottsdale	AZ	West	583	569	326	316	48	42	15	5	1	5
149	Diamondhead Community Church ^	Diamondhead	MS	Gulf South	173	221	125	125	0	0	1	0	1	2
150	Downtown Church	Memphis	TN	Central South	241	248	280	280			8	8	0	11

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151	Downtown Presbyterian &!+	Lynchburg	VA	New River				20			1			
152	Dundalk Presbyterian Church	Baltimore	MD	East	98	98	55	60	0	0	2	0	0	1
153	Eastminster Presbyterian Church	Knoxville	TN	Southeast	123	127	80	98	5	5	0	0	0	1
154	Eastminster Presbyterian Church	Wichita	KS	Great Plains	1,024	950	564	563	600	550	8	14	0	17
155	Easton Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	Pacific Southwest	207	204	63	64	0	0	0	0	0	0
156	Edgerton First Reformed Church	Edgerton	MN	Rivers and Lakes	272	269	145	144	25	25	0	2	0	3
157	Edgington Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Taylor Ridge	IL	Rivers and Lakes	222	234	123	133	250	80	16	0	6	4
158	Edna Presbyterian Church	Edna	TX	Gulf South	26	21	12	12	0	0	1	0	0	0
159	Elon Presbyterian Church	Madison Heights	VA	New River	69	63	48	46	12	12	0	0	0	0
160	Englewood Presbyterian Church	Rocky Mount	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	145	150	65	70	20	20	0	0	0	0
161	EPiC Evangelical Presbyterians in Christ Church	Troy	MO	Mid-America	25	23	20	18	10	10				4
162	Evangelical Presbyterian Church &	Hazelton	ND	West		20		20		0	0	0	0	0
163	Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Elkton	Elkton	VA	New River	183	181	181	189	20	20	1	0	1	1
164	Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Milford	Milford	PA	East	87	92	60	60	20	10	12		2	6
165	Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Westtown	Westtown	NY	East	34	32	34	30	3	3	0	0	0	0
166	Evangelical Presbyterian Stone Church	Caledonia	NY	Alleghenies	61	59	70	70	2	2	0	0	0	1
167	Evangelical Valley Presbyterian Church	Hazelton	ID	Pacific Northwest	45	35	65	55	10	15	0	0	14	1
168	Evergreen Church &	Graham	WA	Pacific Northwest		41		35		30	6	1	0	1
169	Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church	Fair Oaks	CA	Pacific Southwest	828	873	507	513			29	5	6	3
170	Fairview Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Glenmoore	PA	East	96	81	59	52	25	25	0	0	0	0
171	Faith Church Brownsville &	Brownsville	TX	Gulf South		7		3		0	0	0	0	0
172	Faith Community Church of Seminole	Seminole	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	223	239	200	185	100	100	17	3	0	0
173	Faith Evangelical Church CO	Loveland	CO	West	340	348	308	312	126	117	10	8	4	0
174	Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Crivitz	WI	Rivers and Lakes	87	80	78	86	9	11	0	0	0	0
175	Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Rochester Hills	MI	Midwest	245	235	217	279	91	95	3	12	0	6
176	Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church Kingstowne *&	Kingstowne	VA	East										
177	Faith Presbyterian Church *&	Aurora	CO	West										
178	Faith Presbyterian Church	Covington	LA	Gulf South	75	82	81	95	0	0	0	0	0	3
179	Faith Presbyterian Church	Germantown	TN	Central South	176	191	103	123	24	0	13	3	2	4
180	Faith Presbyterian Church &	McDonough	GA	Southeast		151		125		143	0	2	0	5
181	Faith Presbyterian Church	Perryville	MO	Mid-America	52	49	23	20	40	40	0	0	0	0
182	Faith Presbyterian Church	West Lafayette	IN	Midwest	75	68	60	55	38	41	1	1	0	0
183	Faith United Presbyterian Church ^	Brandon	SD	Great Plains	192	171	128	132	10	10	0	1	0	1
184	Falling Spring Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Hot Springs	VA	New River	56	54	45	50	15	12				
185	Farner Presbyterian Church	Farner	TN	Southeast	38	38	25			5	0	0	1	0
186	Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church	South Lyon	MI	Midwest	125	114	96	88	40	44	0	0	0	0
187	First Armenian Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	Pacific Southwest	170	180	145	160	21	21	0	0	0	1
188	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Anna	IL	Central South	92	92	65	65	14	5		2		2
189	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Battle Creek	MI	Midwest	4		20		0					
190	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Frankfort	IN	Midwest	167	166	100	106	30	40	6			1
191	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kokomo	IN	Midwest	220	219	109	103	16	15	0	0	0	0
192	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Roanoke	VA	New River	183	157	115	108	0	0	4	0	0	0
193	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Oregon City	Oregon City	OR	Pacific Northwest	129	138	90	85	12	15	9	0	3	5
194	First Presbyterian Church &!	Bainbridge	GA	Southeast		136		60		200	3	0	0	0
195	First Presbyterian Church of Barton	Barton	MD	Alleghenies	45	44	25	25	10	12	1	0	0	2

196	First Presbyterian Church	Beaver	PA	Alleghenies	781	781	510	546	200	300	7	6	4	19
197	First Presbyterian Church	Blytheville	AR	Central South	18	19	35	40	0	0				
198	First Presbyterian Church	Clay Center	KS	Great Plains	126	125	89	80	5	3	4	0	1	0
199	First Presbyterian Church	Corinth	MS	Central South	488	477	210	225	20	10	0	7	0	7
200	First Presbyterian Church	Covington	TN	Central South	161	171	121	122	1	1	0	11	2	0

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201	First Presbyterian Church &!	Derby	KS	Great Plains		178		178		20	0	0	0	2
202	First Presbyterian Church *&	Dexter	NM	West										
203	First Presbyterian Church	Donalsonville	GA	Southeast	140	138	55	65	224	15	0	0	0	0
204	First Presbyterian Church &	Fort Myers	FL	Florida and the Caribbean		187		164		145	15	4	1	1
205	First Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	Pacific Southwest	568	523	366	331	10	18	4	0	0	0
206	First Presbyterian Church	Greenfield	TN	Central South	105	98	79	89	5	0	2	3	0	1
207	First Presbyterian Church	Greenville	OH	Midwest	107	100	79	81	4	4	1	2	0	1
208	First Presbyterian Church	Hanford	CA	Pacific Southwest	75	74	86	83	100	50	2	0	0	0
209	First Presbyterian Church &!	Holland	MN	Rivers and Lakes		57		31		70	0	2	0	1
210	First Presbyterian Church	Levelland	TX	West	72	81	32	30	10	11	1	3	4	
211	First Presbyterian Church	Little Rock	IA	Rivers and Lakes	128	103	66	68	0	0	0	3	0	1
212	First Presbyterian Church	Malden	MO	Central South	15	15	11	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
213	First Presbyterian Church	Martinsburg	WV	New River	57	50	56	55	12	8	0	0	0	0
214	First Presbyterian Church	Meridian	MS	Gulf South	554	582	338	358	30	33	10	62	1	11
215	First Presbyterian Church	Mexia	TX	Gulf South	43	44	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
216	First Presbyterian Church	Ocean Springs	MS	Gulf South	558	555	448	429	425	125	0	1	16	8
217	First Presbyterian Church	Opelika	AL	Central South	205	241	308	377	57	73	0	7	2	19
218	First Presbyterian Church	Ossian	IN	Midwest	72	70	65	65	5	5	0	0	1	0
219	First Presbyterian Church of Pascagoula	Pascagoula	MS	Gulf South	368	375	215	220	30	30	0	15	2	3
220	First Presbyterian Church	Paulding	OH	Midwest	65	65	38	37		3	0	0	3	0
221	First Presbyterian Church	Redding	CA	Pacific Northwest	66	66	75	75		5	0	0	0	0
222	First Presbyterian Church ^	Siloam Springs	AR	Great Plains	114	90	120	128	0	0	2	18	2	18
223	First Presbyterian Church	South Charleston	OH	Midwest	169	134	148	126	5	0	0	3	3	1
224	First Presbyterian Church *	Stanton	KY	Southeast	52		32		0					
225	First Presbyterian Church	Trenton	TN	Central South	168	186	105	100	28	25	5	4	1	2
226	First Presbyterian Church	Vicksburg	MS	Gulf South	357	422	180	112			5	0	0	1
227	First Presbyterian Church	West Memphis	AR	Central South	85	85	50	50	4	10	7	1	1	2
228	First Presbyterian Church of Bakersfield	Bakersfield	CA	Pacific Southwest	372	359	252	266	111	98	0	0	2	4
229	First Presbyterian Church LA	Baton Rouge	LA	Gulf South	1,560	1,379	765	843	131	161	4	20	2	22
230	First Presbyterian Church of Ada	Ada	OH	Midwest	90	90	55	55	2	2	2	0	2	0
231	First Presbyterian Church of Aurora	Aurora	IL	Rivers and Lakes	355	193	156	133	39	35	0	0	0	2
232	First Presbyterian Church of Bakerstown	Bakerstown	PA	Alleghenies	393	389	116	103	92	92	0	0	0	0
233	First Presbyterian Church of Bentleyville	Bentleyville	PA	Alleghenies	122	126	58	64	5	5	5	1	1	1
234	First Presbyterian Church of Bucyrus	Bucyrus	OH	Midwest	65	64	43	43	20	20	0	0	0	3
235	First Presbyterian Church of Eden	Eden	NC	New River	243	243	92	92	22	22	0	0	0	0
236	First Presbyterian Church of Fairbanks	Fairbanks	AK	Pacific Northwest	155	151	138	153	10	10	0	0	0	6
237	First Presbyterian Church of Hillsdale	Hillsdale	MI	Midwest	88	91	82	81	20	20	1	0	1	0
238	First Presbyterian Church of Lonaconing	Lonaconing	MD	Alleghenies	68	67	51	52	30	30	0	0	0	0
239	First Presbyterian Church of Magnolia ^	Magnolia	AR	Gulf South	89	82	50	52			5	2		
240	First Presbyterian Church of Mora	Mora	MN	Rivers and Lakes	41	36	35	38	0					
241	First Presbyterian Church of Orlando	Orlando	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	3,162	3,252	995	975	981	905	15	26	6	34
242	First Presbyterian Church of Port Gibson	Port Gibson	MS	Gulf South	59	60	32	32	200	200	0	0	0	0
243	First Presbyterian Church of Reform !	Reform	AL	Central South	15	14	15	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
244	First Presbyterian Church of Rome	Rome	GA	Southeast	820	856	465	524	2	13	0	11	1	29
245	First Presbyterian Church of Skiatook	Skiatook	OK	Great Plains	26	33	30	33	0		0	0	0	0
246	First Presbyterian Church of South Amboy *&!	Amboy	NJ	East										

247	First Presbyterian Church of Starkville ^	Starkville	MS	Central South	328	300	190	150	165	5	1	6	2	3
248	First Presbyterian Church of Thomasville	Thomasville	GA	Southeast	585	615	222	283	185	185	18	21	1	11
249	First Presbyterian Church of Waukegan	Waukegan	IL	Rivers and Lakes	71	68	54	53	8	8	0	0	0	0
250	First Presbyterian Church West Point	West Point	MS	Central South	140	142	98	95	10	10	0	3	0	1

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251	First Presbyterian Evangelical Church	Montezuma	IA	Rivers and Lakes	71	65	82	85	6	5	0	0	1	2
252	First United Presbyterian Church	Moline	IL	Rivers and Lakes	126	115	92	95	48	13	0	3	0	3
253	Forest Hills EPC	Wilson	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	47	50	37	42	21	30	2	0	0	1
254	FORGE Church *	Greensboro	NC	New River	1		1		1					
255	Forks of the Brandywine Presbyterian Church *	Glenmoore	PA	East	111		90		15					
256	Fourth Presbyterian Church	Bethesda	MD	East	1,293	1,245	943	847	250	275	74		8	19
257	Fowler Presbyterian Church	Fowler	CA	Pacific Southwest	150	156	95	88	5	10	4	2	4	
258	Freeman Presbyterian Church	Freeman	MO	Great Plains	30	24	25	16	10	10	0	0	0	0
259	Fremont Presbyterian Church	Sacramento	CA	Pacific Southwest	602	577	550	550	75	40	12	18	2	7
260	Galatia Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Eagle Rock	VA	New River	35	31	25	25	25	30	0	0	0	0
261	Galatia Presbyterian Church ^	Fayetteville	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	111	125	68	76	0	0	2	6	1	0
262	Garden Memorial Presbyterian Church &	Charlotte	NC	Central Carolinas		29		23		0	0	0	0	0
263	Garwood EPC	Garwood	NJ	East	65	68	81	90	8	8	3	2	0	2
264	Gashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO	Mid-America	450	350	240	240	65	59	0	1	0	3
265	Gateway Church	Findlay	OH	Midwest	765	787	1,107	1,165	142	180	4	18	5	24
266	Gateway Church *&	Slippery Rock	PA	Alleghenies										
267	Genesis Presbyterian Church *	Mercedes	TX	Gulf South	26		13		27					
268	Glendale Presbyterian Church	DeFuniak Springs	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	72	72	51	54	20	20	0	1	0	3
269	GlenHaven Church	Kansas City	MO	Great Plains	61	54	50	30	40	40	4			
270	Golden Rule Presbyterian Church *&	Elysian Fields	TX	Gulf South										
271	Good Shepherd Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Ajo	AZ	West	9	11		35	0	1,000	20	0	1	0
272	Goodwill Church	Montgomery	NY	East	781	795	713	690	212	250	34	6	10	9
273	Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church &!	Pittsburgh	PA	Alleghenies		119		105		0	0	0	0	14
274	Grace Brevard &	Brevard	NC	Central Carolinas		107		153		5	0	0	0	0
275	Grace Chapel Madison EPC	Madison	MS	Gulf South	151	142	78	87	3	2	0	0	0	1
276	Grace Community Church	Falcon	CO	West	105	70	80	75	5	3	4	11	4	3
277	Grace Community Church	Surprise	AZ	West	127	144	148	162	11	10	21	0	6	0
278	Grace Community EPC	Oscoda	MI	Midwest	36	36	36	36	11	11				
279	Grace Community Fellowship	Helena	MT	West	48	35	34	30	15	15	0	0	0	0
280	Grace Community Fellowship	Ottawa	KS	Great Plains	135	139	138	142	25	25	4	0	0	2
281	Grace Community Presbyterian Church *+	Weed	CA	Pacific Northwest	25		23		3					
282	Grace Covenant	Exton	PA	East		175		126		13	1	0	0	2
283	Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church *&^	Ingram	TX	Gulf South										
284	Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church +	Leesburg	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	84	84	98	93	30	36	2	0	0	3
285	Grace Fellowship &	Marshall	TX	Gulf South		123		112		30	3	5	0	1
286	Grace Lakin !+	Lakin	KS	West	93	30	95	84	2	10	2	3	0	4
287	Grace Point Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Nappanee	IN	Midwest	29	29	28	27	70	280	0	1	1	0
288	Grace Presbyterian Church	Alexandria	LA	Gulf South	145	129	108	107	20	10	2	7	0	4
289	Grace Presbyterian Church	Franklin	NC	Southeast	95	100	85	95	5	25	2	0	0	3
290	Grace Presbyterian Church	Montgomery	AL	Central South	64	68	67	65		20				
291	Grace Reformed Church EPC	Casper	WY	West	46	45	38	39	2	5	0	0	0	0
292	Graceminster Presbyterian Church	Monroe	LA	Gulf South	35	32	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
293	GracePoint Church	Dubuque	IA	Rivers and Lakes	83	73	48	48	8	8	0	0	0	0
294	GracePoint Community Church	Littleton	CO	West	52	53	60	57	9	7	0	0	0	0

295	GracePoint Plant City	Plant City	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	125	127	110	94	20	9	0	0	2	4
296	Graystone Presbyterian Church	Indiana	PA	Alleghenies	382	374	224	225	65	65	2	2	1	1
297	Great Valley Presbyterian Church	Malvern	PA	East	249	273	240	250	5	5	0	6	1	2
298	Greenbriar Presbyterian Church *	Manchester	KY	Southeast	62		55		1,000					
299	Greentree Community Church	Kirkwood	MO	Mid-America	555	640	564	543	150	250	29	22	1	20
300	Greenville Presbyterian Church ^	Donalds	SC	Central Carolinas	129	127	80	60	0	0	1	3	1	

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301	Greenwood Community Church	Greenwood Village	CO	West	399	410	570	617	99	96	30	9	6	4
302	Greenwood Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Covington	VA	New River	41	42	30	26	5	5	0	0	0	0
303	Grove Presbyterian Church, EPC	Dunn	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	92	91	45	50	0	0	0	0	0	0
304	Guinston Presbyterian Church	Airville	PA	East	206	210	172	175	63	62	9	7	0	0
305	Hanover Presbyterian Church	Clinton	PA	Alleghenies	66	66	55	55	50	30	2	0	0	0
306	Harmony Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Harrisville	PA	Alleghenies	62	58	43	39	10	10	0	0	0	0
307	Harrison Presbyterian Church EPC ^	Harrison	NY	East	76	76	72	70	10	118	0	0	0	1
308	Harvest Church &!+	Garner	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic		36		35		0	1	35	0	0
309	Hebron Church &!	Pittsburgh	PA	Alleghenies		363		207		15	12	1	0	7
310	Hendersonville Presbyterian Church	Hendersonville	NC	Central Carolinas	275	257	169	120	122	156				1
311	Heritage Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Santa Maria	CA	Pacific Southwest	33	33	29	32	18	16	0	0	0	0
312	Hickory United Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Hickory	PA	Alleghenies	248	254	179	177	15	15	8	1	2	5
313	Highland Heights Presbyterian Church	Arlington	TN	Central South	276	289	160	165	214	218	2	4	2	4
314	Highline Community Church	Centennial	CO	West	329	330	147	128	61	66	7	4	2	3
315	Highview Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Dousman	WI	Rivers and Lakes	187	185	184	184	35	40	6	0	1	2
316	Hillsboro Presbyterian Church	Hillsboro	IL	Rivers and Lakes	185	192	125	145	75	75	10	13	2	2
317	Hillsdale Presbyterian Church	Paola	KS	Great Plains	152	165	127	130	40	20	15	4	2	1
318	Hillside Presbyterian Church *&	Greenville	PA	Alleghenies										
319	Hogarty Community Church	Birnamwood	WI	Rivers and Lakes	45	45	25	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
320	Hollywood Church, EPC	Greenville	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	68	56	60	57	25	26				
321	Hope Church *&+	Mt Pleasant	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic										
322	Hope Church	San Antonio	TX	Gulf South	98	106	75	80	15	12	5	2	7	2
323	Hope Church Memphis	Cordova	TN	Central South	5,809	5,541	4,034	3,820	2,683	2,800	18	11	22	57
324	Hope Church of Carbondale	Carbondale	IL	Central South	68	62	110	105	11	7	1	0	1	0
325	Hope Church Raleigh *	Raleigh	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	33		40		6					
326	Hope Church Richmond	Richmond	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	1,981	2,135	2,381	2,602	389	387	9	68	37	46
327	Hope Community Church	Pembroke Pines	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	19	19	45	55	0	1	0	0	0	0
328	Hope Community Church *+	Waynesboro	VA	New River	80		99		36					
329	Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Grayslake	IL	Rivers and Lakes	60		45	46	10	10	0	0	0	0
330	Hope Fellowship EPC	Chickamauga	GA	Southeast	32	32	32	32	0					
331	Hope for Renewal +	Youngstown	OH	Alleghenies	60	60	40	40	0	0	2	0	2	0
332	Hope Presbyterian Church !	Columbus	OH	Alleghenies	59	95	100	110	11	16	0	8	1	5
333	Hope Presbyterian Church	Folsom	CA	Pacific Southwest	74	61	49	49	5	0	0	0	0	0
334	Hope Presbyterian Church	Rogue River	OR	Pacific Northwest	52	53	30	30	15	15	2	1	0	1
335	Hope Presbyterian Church VA	Fredericksburg	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	415	410	284	288	150	175	1	7	0	4
336	Hopewell Presbyterian Church	Florence	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	54	54	36	37	5	5	0	0	0	0
337	Hopewell Presbyterian Church	Franklin	IN	Midwest	163	174	105	113	45	35	0	2		4
338	Hudson Presbyterian Church	Hudson	OH	Alleghenies	91	85	73	80	20	20	6	1	1	3
339	Huntingdon Valley Presbyterian Church	Huntingdon Valley	PA	East	255	266	71	161	20	8	20	3	3	2
340	Hurley Presbyterian Church &^	Hurley	VA	New River		30		44		0	12	6	11	0
341	Idana Presbyterian Church	Clay Center	KS	Great Plains	66	64	54	53			2			
342	Iglesia Presbiteriana Esperanza *&+	Memphis	TN	Central South										
343	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica en Añasco	Añasco	PR	Florida and the Caribbean	80	70	68	60	50	50	0	0	0	0
344	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Mayagüez	Mayagüez	PR	Florida and the Caribbean	151	158	95	111	100	125	9	0	4	2
345	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Westminster	Bayamón	PR	Florida and the Caribbean	285	293	156	140	52	51	14	2	1	2

346	Immanuel Presbyterian Church	Warrenville	IL	Rivers and Lakes	300	234	233	227	100	115	0	0	0	0
347	Jacksonville Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	OR	Pacific Northwest	397	398	502	563	208	175	6	16	6	20
348	Jesus Reigns Presbyterian Church	Brownsville	TX	Gulf South	14	12	17	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
349	Kempsville Presbyterian Church	Virginia Beach	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	200	205	175	195	40	35	5	0	0	4
350	Kenton Church *&	Portland	OR	Pacific Northwest										

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351	Kershaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kershaw	SC	Central Carolinas	54	37	40	35	3	4	1			
352	Kingman Presbyterian Church	Kingman	AZ	Pacific Southwest	114	90	85	80	20	0	8	4	2	6
353	Kirk Crossing	Jenks	OK	Great Plains	397	353	226	251	121	124	15	5	4	2
354	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK	Great Plains	1,033	830	510	536	181	150	2	7	2	7
355	Kirk of the Pines +	Marsh Harbour	Bahamas	Florida and the Caribbean	26	36	60	62	0	0	0	0	0	1
356	Kirkmont Presbyterian Church	Beavercreek	OH	Midwest	400	451	481	499	272	379	6	6	1	11
357	Kishwaukee Community EPC	Stillman Valley	IL	Rivers and Lakes	284	300	142	144	0	0	9	4	9	2
358	Kitsap House	Port Orchard	WA	Pacific Northwest	44	56	73	89	0	0	0	0	0	0
359	Knox Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Kenmore	NY	Alleghenies										
360	Knox Presbyterian Church	Ann Arbor	MI	Midwest	393	376	321	265	300	300	6	2	1	4
361	Koinonia Church !	Nashville	TN	Central South	153	152	160	163	121	120	0	4	2	3
362	Lake City Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Lake City	MI	Midwest	31	32	23	19	0	0	5	0	0	0
363	Lake Forest Family of Churches (aggregate)	Huntersville	NC	Central Carolinas	2,258	1,879	3,492	*3,848*	1,545	*1,255*	4	4	46	27
363.1	LFC - Huntersville	Huntersville	NC					1,792		713				
363.2	LFC - WestLake	WestLake	NC					1,742		542				
363.3	LFC - El Buen Samaritano +	Huntington Green	NC					110						
363.4	LFC - Ucity The Church +	Ucity	NC					105						
363.5	LFC - Trinity Forest +	Concord	NC					99						
364	Lakeside Presbyterian Church	Brandon	MS	Gulf South	468	502	335	352	45	45	18	9	0	16
365	Lancaster Presbyterian Church	Lancaster	NY	Alleghenies	170	155	132	132	204	101	3	0	0	1
366	Langhorne Presbyterian Church	Langhorne	PA	East	192	177	105	110	28	20	0	7	0	1
367	Lebanon Church: An Evangelical Church	West Mifflin	PA	Alleghenies	175	154	55	60	15	15	9	0	1	0
368	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Greenwood	VA	New River	52	50	49	44	0	0	0	0	0	0
369	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Lebanon	OH	Midwest	482	479	293	296	101	77	0	0	0	6
370	Leicester Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Leicester	NY	Alleghenies	21	20	15	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
371	Leota Community Church &!	Leota	MN	Rivers and Lakes		159		115		0	0	0	0	0
372	Liberty Presbyterian Church	Liberty	MS	Gulf South	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
373	Lighthouse Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Mooresville	NC	Central Carolinas	84		60		2					
374	Lighthouse Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Richmond	OH	Alleghenies	25	23	35	33	5	7	0	0	0	0
375	Lighthouse Presbyterian Church ^	Paola	KS	Great Plains	389	304	248	218	18	17	0	5	0	6
376	Little Britain Presbyterian Church	Peach Bottom	PA	East	96	99	60	65	8	5	5	3	3	0
377	Littleton Christian Church	Littleton	CO	West	43	43	80	90	0	0	0	0	0	2
378	Living Hope EPC	Haymarket	VA	East	100	96	124	131	25	20	0	0	0	4
379	Living Hope Evangelical Church	St. Clair Shores	MI	Midwest	107	100	64	58	50	50	0	0	0	0
380	Living Waters Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Wendell	ID	Pacific Northwest	83	81	70	75	15	15	1	0	0	0
381	Living Word Reformed EPC &!	North Haledon	NJ	East		49		40		5	0	2	1	0
382	Logos Presbyterian Church	Lynnwood	WA	Pacific Northwest	72	92	70	90	3	4	1	0	1	0
383	Longview EPC	Longview	TX	West	220	201	112	122	26	63	5	3	2	2
384	Lookout Valley Presbyterian Church	Chattanooga	TN	Southeast	62	45	40	38		0				
385	Lucaya Presbyterian Church *&	Freeport	Bahamas	Florida and the Caribbean										
386	Magnolia Presbyterian Church *&	Magnolia	MS	Gulf South										
387	Manoa Community Church	Havertown	PA	East	214	228	243	247	40	38	35	14	4	9
388	Manor Presbyterian Church *&	Manor	PA	Alleghenies										
389	Mars Hill Presbyterian Church	Acworth	GA	Southeast	320	322	160	180	135	35	9	1	0	5
390	Mary's Presbyterian Church *&	Tazewell	VA	New River										

391	McBee Presbyterian Church	McBee	SC	Central Carolinas	60	64	53	60	2	2	3	3	1	3
392	McCloud Community Presbyterian Church	McCloud	CA	Pacific Northwest	24	25	30	35	3	3	3	0	0	0
393	McLean Presbyterian Church	Ellerbe	NC	Central Carolinas	61	52	47	44	10	10	0	1	0	3
394	Mebane Presbyterian Church	Mebane	NC	New River	142	146	89	92	10	10	0	1	0	3
395	Memorial Park Presbyterian Church	Allison Park	PA	Alleghenies	1,251	1,240	624	522	188	193	0	9	1	7

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396	Mercy Church &!+	Spokane	WA	Pacific Northwest		16		50		0	4		1	
397	Merrill Presbyterian Church	Merrill	OR	Pacific Northwest	65	59	34	30	5	5				
398	Middle Sandy Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Homeworth	OH	Alleghenies	69		42		5					
399	Middle Smithfield Presbyterian Church	East Stroudsburg	PA	East	86	95	73	82	70	300	8	0	0	0
400	Midway Evangelical Presbyterian Church	New Zion	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	103	102	55	55	35	35	0	0	0	2
401	Military Avenue EPC	Detroit	MI	Midwest	74	74	70	72	15	15	0	0	0	2
402	Mill Creek Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Hookstown	Hookstown	PA	Alleghenies	91	89	55	51	21	21	4	0	2	1
403	Millbrook Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	Pacific Southwest		10		0		0	0	0	0	0
404	Minden Presbyterian Church	Minden	LA	Gulf South	48	44	26	25	34	30	0	0	0	0
405	Montesano Presbyterian Church &!	Montesano	WA	Pacific Northwest		46		42			1			
406	Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church	Moraga	CA	Pacific Southwest	562	406	288	293	61	109	11	0	7	5
407	Mount Perry Presbyterian Church	Mount Perry	OH	Alleghenies	60	65	40	42	0	0	4	4	0	0
408	Mountville Presbyterian Church *	Portersville	PA	Alleghenies	96		40		0					
409	Mt Olivet Presbyterian Church	Aliquippa	PA	Alleghenies	287	215	100	100	120	120	2	5	3	6
410	Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church	Aliquippa	PA	Alleghenies	118	98	79	81	10	10	0	1	0	2
411	Mt. Lebanon Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Pittsburgh	PA	Alleghenies	352	330	180	172	189	147	0	7	0	5
412	Mt. Olivet Presbyterian Church	Trenton	OH	Midwest	74	75	55	58	500	500	5	0	0	2
413	Mt. Pleasant Church	Aliquippa	PA	Alleghenies	273	250	208	241	180	180	20	6	1	7
414	Muddy Creek Presbyterian Church	Butler	PA	Alleghenies	87	86	49	46	3	3	2	0	1	0
415	Murphy Presbyterian Church EPC	Murphy	NC	Southeast	31	30	30	29	4	4	0	0	0	0
416	Myrtle Grove Presbyterian Church	Wilmington	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	301	294	228	231	50	50	4	0	3	7
417	Nación Santa Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Haines City	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	49	44	50	40	7	50	0	0	0	0
418	Natrona Heights Presbyterian Church *^	Natrona Heights	PA	Alleghenies	113		48		10					
419	Neighborhood Church *	Littleton	CO	West			45		2					
420	Nell Townsend Presbyterian Church	Anderson	SC	Central Carolinas	11	12	36	36			1		0	
421	New Albany Presbyterian Church	New Albany	OH	Alleghenies	464	481	523	527	74	97	35	18	2	12
422	New Bedford Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Pulaski	PA	Alleghenies	225	225	150	150	47	47				
423	New Beginning Church	Spring City	TN	Southeast	18	18	18	18	16	16	0	0	0	0
424	New City Presbyterian Church +	South Bend	IN	Midwest	33	31	75	75	0	0	2	6	0	4
425	New Covenant Church &	Pompano Beach	FL	Florida and the Caribbean		246		260		100	6	4	6	12
426	New Covenant Evangelical Presbyterian Church &+	Burgaw	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic		25		20		12	6	2	4	0
427	New Covenant Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	New Castle	PA	Alleghenies	103		64		4					
428	New Covenant Presbyterian Church +	Hutchinson	KS	Great Plains	91	96	68	70	100	150	0	0	0	0
429	New Covenant Presbyterian Church	Mandeville	LA	Gulf South	245	237	209	198	7	0	6	0	0	7
430	New Creation Family Church !	St. Petersburg	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	42	77	48	56	16	27	3	0	0	3
431	New Cut Presbyterian Church *	Lancaster	SC	Central Carolinas			16							
432	New Hope Church	Pittsburgh	PA	Alleghenies	60	65	40	30	0	0	61	4	3	2
433	New Hope EPC	Kingsport	TN	Southeast	45	45	25	25	5	5	0	0	0	0
434	New Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Blue Rapids	KS	Great Plains	59	59	55	50	1	0	1	4	0	2
435	New Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Burney	CA	Pacific Northwest	13	12	12	10	0					
436	New Hope Presbyterian Church	Kent	WA	Pacific Northwest	188	193	161	172	0	0	2	0	0	3
437	New Hope Presbyterian Church - Fort Myers	Fort Myers	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	811	865	357	363	94	50	44	0	0	3
438	New Life Community Church	Covelo	CA	Pacific Southwest	10	11	13	18	0	0	0	1	0	0
439	New Life Presbyterian Church	Salem	VA	New River	53	58	40	45	0		5		2	
440	NewLife Gathering	Knoxville	TN	Southeast	201	222	170	190	70	50	23	5	28	3

441	North Oaks Church	Clarkston	MI	Midwest	122	116	127	127	5	5	7	0	0	3
442	North Park EPC	Wexford	PA	Alleghenies	302	292	274	250	123	100	4	2	0	5
443	North Point EPC *&	Danvers	MA	East										
444	Northminster Evangelical Presbyterian Church &	Madison Heights	VA	New River		40		24		9	0	0	0	0
445	Norton Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Norton	VA	New River										

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446	Oak Island Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Oak Island	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	168	156	106	95	22	29	16	0	0	0
447	Oakhill Presbyterian Church	Grand Rapids	MI	Midwest	180	90	220	88	250	30	0	0	16	0
448	Oakville Presbyterian Church	Shedd	OR	Pacific Northwest	129	127	109	114	43	45	0	0	0	0
449	Okanogan Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Okanogan	WA	Pacific Northwest	14	20	20	20	0	0	6	0	0	0
450	Olivet EPC	Evansville	IN	Midwest	77	80	70	72	5	2	1	0	1	1
451	Olivia Evangelical Presbyterian Church !	Olivia	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	60	57	55	60	10	10	0	0	0	0
452	One Hope Presbyterian Church	Longview	TX	Gulf South	126	130	183	191	10	2	0	8	0	8
453	Open Door Presbyterian Church *&!+	Richardson	TX	West										
454	Orchard Christian Fellowship &	Londonderry	NH	East		230		375		75	15	20	50	15
455	Oreland Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Oreland	PA	East	160	158	114	116	31	32	0	0	0	2
456	Osyka Presbyterian Church	Osyka	MS	Gulf South	2	2	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
457	Overbrook Presbyterian Church	Gaffney	SC	Central Carolinas	46	52	38	40	2	0				
458	Panhandle Presbyterian Church *&	Guymon	OK	West										
459	Parkdale Community Church	Parkdale	OR	Pacific Northwest	28	29	20	25	6	0	1	0	1	0
460	Parker Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Parker	CO	West	522	539	749	790	189	218	5	24	2	9
461	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Cumming	GA	Southeast	132	153	121	122	59	42	19	4	6	1
462	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Tacoma	WA	Pacific Northwest	63	64	66	63	10	7	0	2	0	0
463	Peace Church	Durham	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	26	26	38	43	3	2	0	0	1	0
464	Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church	Klamath Falls	OR	Pacific Northwest	43	58	50	50	5	0	6	2	0	1
465	Peace Presbyterian Church	Flint	MI	Midwest	29	22	20	27	0	0	0	0	0	0
466	Perrow Presbyterian Church *&	Cross Lanes	WV	New River										
467	Peters Creek Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Venetia	PA	Alleghenies	265	172	155	143	12	12	2	5	0	5
468	Petrolia Presbyterian Church *&	Petrolia	PA	Alleghenies										
469	Pierpont Presbyterian Church	Pierpont	OH	Alleghenies	86	61	70	57	120	152	0	0	3	2
470	Pine Run Presbyterian Church	Apollo	PA	Alleghenies	100	98	59	62	0	0	4	0	0	0
471	Pineland Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	107	115	80	90	3	4	8	1	1	1
472	Plumtree Presbyterian Church *&	Plumtree	NC	New River										
473	Presbyterian Church of Kennett Square	Kennett Square	PA	East	90	88	65	60	30	40	0	0	0	0
474	Princeton Presbyterian Church	Princeton	WV	New River	73	70	55	61	10	10	0	0	0	1
475	Princetown Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Duanesburg	NY	East	131	132	158	190	18	20	5		11	0
476	Providence Church	Clyde	NC	Southeast	52	61	65	60	5	4	0	0	1	0
477	Providence Church of Spring Hill, Inc	Spring Hill	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	249	255	305	308	70	0	5	3	1	2
478	Providence Presbyterian Church	Angier	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	199	198	141	149	10	10	2	0	0	3
479	Providence Presbyterian Church *	Bowling Green	MO	Mid-America	15		11		0					
480	Ramsay Memorial Church	Notasulga	AL	Central South	25	25	23	23	0	0	0	0	0	0
481	Redeemer Presbyterian Church +	Erie	PA	Alleghenies	31	31	27	33		0	0	0	0	0
482	Renew EPC &+	Lee's Summit	MO	Mid-America		41		63		0	0	4	1	2
483	Reston Presbyterian Church	Reston	VA	East	110	100	125	129	15	22	1	3	0	2
484	Restoration Church &!+	Hattiesburg	MS	Gulf South										
485	Restoration Church &+	Mechanicsville	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic		165		177		10	17	7	0	1
486	Restoration Church	Munford	TN	Central South	217	222	186	188	60	80	7	14	2	5
487	Restoration Community Church *&+	Lexington	NC	New River										
488	Resurrection Chattanooga *&	Chattanooga	TN	Southeast										
489	Resurrection Clinton Hill *&	Brooklyn	NY	East										
490	Reynolda Church	Winston Salem	NC	New River	1,500	1,500	1,100	1,100	300	300	35	20	40	12

491	Riceville Valley Community Church	Asheville	NC	Central Carolinas	45	44	41	41	21	16	2	0	1	0
492	River City Church	DeBary	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	158	171	145	150	50	40	13	0	0	1
493	River City Church	St. Charles	MO	Mid-America	100	116	160	160	0		1	5	1	5
494	River Oaks Community Church	Clemmons	NC	New River	1,053	1,054	1,099	1,124	400	416	10	25	25	0
495	Rivermont Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Lynchburg	VA	New River	876	798	567	613	191	185	9	10	2	12

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496	Riverside Church *&	Webster Groves	MO	Mid-America										
497	Riverside Evangelical Church	Sartell	MN	Rivers and Lakes	73	69	60	60	4	4	0	0	0	4
498	Rockville Presbyterian Church *&	Wadmalaw Island	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic										
499	Rocky River Presbyterian Church *&	Calhoun Falls	SC	Central Carolinas										
500	Romine Prairie Presbyterian Church	Kell	IL	Rivers and Lakes	9	9	7	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
501	Roseann Evangelical Presbyterian Church &^	Hurley	VA	New River				210		200	0	0	0	0
502	Rosebrook Presbyterian Church &!	Rockville	MD	East		110		125		5	3	0	3	3
503	Roseland Reformed Church	Blomkest	MN	Rivers and Lakes	136	127	130	100	29	10	0	1	0	5
504	Roslyn Presbyterian Church	Roslyn	WA	Pacific Northwest	39	39	27	28	3	20				
505	Round Hill Presbyterian Church	Elizabeth	PA	Alleghenies	99	95	36	42	8	12	1	0	0	1
506	Round Hill Presbyterian Church &	Felton	PA	East		51		35		2	0	1	0	1
507	Rourk Presbyterian Church	Ellerbe	NC	Central Carolinas	63	67	54	56	15	12	2	0	0	0
508	Russellville Presbyterian Church *	Russellville	OH	Midwest	10		9		5					
509	Saddlerock Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Wenatchee	WA	Pacific Northwest	262	273	230	216	75	20	10		2	1
510	San Benito Presbyterian Church *&	San Benito	TX	Gulf South										
511	San Ramon Presbyterian Church	San Ramon	CA	Pacific Southwest	119	88	97	84	43	46	0	0	0	3
512	Scotland Presbyterian Church	El Dorado	AR	Gulf South	27	27	27	26	0	0	0	0	0	0
513	Seaside Church &!+	Vilano	FL	Florida and the Caribbean				90		0	3	2		2
514	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN	Central South	2,421	2,466	1,006	1,009	174	167	10	43	5	33
515	Sequim Community Church	Sequim	WA	Pacific Northwest	424	450	389	417	212	163	49	19	12	19
516	Shiloh Presbyterian Church	St. Marys	PA	Alleghenies	139	99	45	50	10	10	0	0	0	1
517	Sierra Presbyterian Church	Nevada City	CA	Pacific Southwest	236	159	140	139	54	65	1	0	3	6
518	Signal Mountain Presbyterian Church	Signal Mountain	TN	Southeast	902	1,882	821	986	242	112	26	20	1	15
519	Siler Presbyterian Church	Wesley Chapel	NC	Central Carolinas	376		202		72					
520	Silver Lake Christian Community Church	Brackney	PA	East	40	39	42	37			2	0	0	0
521	Simple Church Overland Park +	Overland Park	KS	Great Plains	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	1
522	Slate Mountain Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Meadows of Dan	VA	New River										
523	Southport Presbyterian Church	Indianapolis	IN	Midwest	723	725	573	309	272	243	0	1	0	3
524	Springhill Presbyterian Church	Bozeman	MT	West	340	348	300	301	33	30	0	0	6	9
525	St. Andrew Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Auburn	IN	Midwest	70	64	81	80	7	4	0	0	1	1
526	St. Andrew's Presbyterian Kirk	Nassau	Bahamas	Florida and the Caribbean	146	154	190	200	80	180	8	0	0	6
527	St. Giles EPC *&	Charlotte	NC	Central Carolinas										
528	St. John Assyrian Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Turlock	CA	Pacific Southwest	173	170	90	95	285	280	2	0	0	3
529	St. Luke Evangelical Church *&^	Newton	KS	Great Plains										
530	St. Matthews Presbyterian Church *&	St. Matthews	SC	Central Carolinas										
531	St. Patrick Presbyterian Church	Collierville	TN	Central South	492	494	312	280	65	65	0	12	0	7
532	St. Paul's Presbyterian Church	Somerset	PA	Alleghenies	532	523	436	488	112	110	8	12	5	13
533	St. Stephen Presbyterian Church !	Orlando	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	14	13	15	15	0	0	3			
534	Starkdale Presbyterian Church	Wintersville	OH	Alleghenies	93	91	70	70	0	0	0	0	0	0
535	Sterry Memorial Presbyterian Church	Parma	ID	Pacific Northwest	175	161	111	108	0		1	2	1	
536	Stockton Presbyterian Church	Stockton	AL	Gulf South	95	95	40	40	10	10	0	0	0	1
537	Storyhill Church	Davidson	NC	Central Carolinas	475	581	791	1,214	235	280	36	7	12	10
538	Stow Presbyterian Church *	Stow	OH	Alleghenies										

539	Stuart Presbyterian Church &	Stuart	VA	New River		183		110		12	0	1	0	6
540	Summit Presbyterian Church *	Butler	PA	Alleghenies	214		72		35					
541	Sunset Presbyterian Church	Portland	OR	Pacific Northwest	547	565	524	606	524	366			13	6
542	Sutter Presbyterian Church	Bridgeton	MO	Mid-America	45	45	30	30	60	60	0	0	0	0
543	Tabernacle Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Youngstown	OH	Alleghenies	75	75	85	80	8	8	0	0	2	1
544	Tampa Covenant Church	Tampa	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	474	502	270	316	100	100		8	1	14
545	Terrace Heights Evangelical Presbyterian Church &	Yakima	WA	Pacific Northwest		30		27		5	2			

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546	The Antioch Movement	Ypsilanti	MI	Midwest	18	15	15	20	0	0				
547	The Avenue Community Church +	Memphis	TN	Central South	214	221	206	220	4	8	0	10	0	8
548	The Branch &+	Ashland	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic		50		30		5	0	0	0	1
549	The Bridge North County +	Ferguson	MO	Mid-America	48	44	101	122	15	15	4	1	4	4
550	The Church at Ridgebury &	State Hill	NY	East		14		15		0	0	0	0	0
551	The Crossing	Columbia	MO	Mid-America	3,400	3,550	2,750	3,250	2,550	2,550				
552	The Elm Church EPC *&	Elmhurst	NY	East										
553	The Fellowship of Christ	Cary	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	124	128	121	117	27	30	1	0	0	1
554	The Presbyterian Church of Portersville	Portersville	PA	Alleghenies	162	165	102	99	53	56	1	0	0	1
555	The SOMA Gathering	Beaver Falls	PA	Alleghenies	95	74	120	90	0	0	0	0	0	1
556	The Table Dallas	Carrollton	TX	Gulf South	54	54	48	45						1
557	The Table Project *	Denver	CO	West	0		0		0					
558	The Village Church of St. George &+	St. George	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic				25				2		2
559	Thompson Valley Presbyterian Church	Tazewell	VA	New River	35	35	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
560	Three Timbers Church	Bennington	NE	Great Plains	73	71	73	69	10	5	0	0	6	8
561	Threshold Church	Matthews	NC	Central Carolinas	266	273	191	193	100	85				2
562	Trinity EPC	Chillicothe	MO	Mid-America	10	10	11	8		3	10	0	0	0
563	Trinity Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Florence	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	350	370	280	334	275	295	31	9	7	1
564	Trinity Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Loganville	GA	Southeast	48		55		100					
565	Trinity Presbyterian Church *	Sparta	IL	Rivers and Lakes	61		41		61					
566	Trinity Presbyterian Church	Texarkana	TX	Gulf South	31	25	34	33	900	700	1	1	0	1
567	Trinity Presbyterian Church Columbia City	Columbia City	IN	Midwest	89	90	115	11	10	8	4	0	0	3
568	Trinity Presbyterian Church Plymouth	Plymouth	MI	Midwest	500	542	551	514	210	353	0	7	0	13
569	Trion Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Trion	GA	Southeast	30	30	24	24	100	0	0	0	0	0
570	Tunica Presbyterian Church	Tunica	MS	Central South	130	130	103	109	5	50	0	1	0	3
571	Turner County Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Davis	SD	Great Plains	62	60	28	28	0	0	0	0	0	0
572	Twin Tiers EPC	Big Flats	NY	East	39	38	25	28	8	15	4	0	0	0
573	Union Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kirkwood	PA	East	84	83	63	59	0	0	2	0	1	5
574	Unionville Presbyterian Church	Butler	PA	Alleghenies	84	79	58	55	4	4	1	0	0	1
575	United Presbyterian Church of Amberg	Amberg	WI	Rivers and Lakes	18	14	16	18	0	0	14	0	0	2
576	Unity Memorial Presbyterian Church	Liberty	MS	Gulf South	7	9	9	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
577	Upper Octorara Presbyterian Church	Parkesburg	PA	East	122	116	93	92	5	4	0	0	1	0
578	Valley Community Church	San Jacinto	CA	Pacific Southwest	15	15	54	55	0	0	0	0	0	0
579	Valley Hope Church &	Swannanoa	NC	Central Carolinas		179		400		11	1	12	1	4
580	Valleybrook Presbyterian Church	Hixson	TN	Southeast	40	45	40	41	3	3	5	0	0	4
581	Venice Presbyterian Church	McDonald	PA	Alleghenies	117	117	95	100	17	15	3	0	0	1
582	Vernal Presbyterian Church	Lucedale	MS	Gulf South	28	34	40	50	0	0	1	1	4	3
583	Victoria Presbyterian Church +	Victoria	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	18	17	12	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
584	Village Church	Charlotte	NC	Central Carolinas	35	35	30	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
585	Vineyard Church Auburn *&+	Auburn	AL	Central South										
586	Wabash Church	Auburn	WA	Pacific Northwest	193	170	227	225	55	20	0	0	6	15
587	Wabash Presbyterian Church at Orio	Allendale	IL	Rivers and Lakes	86	82	76	75	10	10	0	0	0	0
588	Walkers Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Pamplin	VA	New River	53		45		12					
589	Walkersville Presbyterian Church	Waxhaw	NC	Central Carolinas	71	75	70	70	200	200	0	1	0	0
590	Walnut Grove Presbyterian Church ^	Butler	MO	Mid-America	26	26	20	15	4	0	20	0	0	0

591	Ward Church	Northville	MI	Midwest	1,496	1,519	1,094	1,148	660	678	2	0	19	15
592	Warehouse 242	Charlotte	NC	Central Carolinas	167	161	204	223	70	30	2	3	1	3
593	Warm Springs Presbyterian Church	Warm Springs	VA	New River	37	50	50	55	2	5	11	1	2	1
594	Warrenton Presbyterian Church	Abbeville	SC	Central Carolinas	60	55	35	35	0	0	0	0	0	1
595	Warsaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Warsaw	IN	Midwest	262	274	238	279	22	30	33	3	7	3

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596	Water Stone Presbyterian Church *&+	Smyrna	GA	Southeast										
597	Wayside Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Cameron	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	33	28	21	19	18	12	0	0	0	0
598	Wesley Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Weems	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	31	28	30	27	450	750	0	0	3	0
599	Westminster Church of Port Huron	Port Huron	MI	Midwest	38	43	42	52	70	10	7	0	0	0
600	Westminster Presbyterian Church &	Bluefield	WV	New River		196		140			1	2	1	2
601	Westminster Presbyterian Church &	Burlington	NC	New River		76		55		9	0	0	1	0
602	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Enid	OK	Great Plains	91	104	50	70	300	0	0	1	1	5
603	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Gulfport	MS	Gulf South	121	116	60	60	10	6	3		1	1
604	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Laurel	MS	Gulf South	201	197	140	160	5					6
605	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Lubbock	TX	West	444	444	215	215	0	0	1	10	3	12
606	Wheat Ridge Evangelical Presbyterian Church	West Union	OH	Midwest	19	19	20	20	3	0	0	0	0	0
607	Wiggins Presbyterian Church	Wiggins	MS	Gulf South	0	21	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	1
608	Wilson Station Presbyterian Church	Englewood	TN	Southeast	14	13	14	16	150	75	0	0	0	0
609	Windy Gap Presbyterian Church	West Finley	PA	Alleghenies	41	42	38	43	0	0	1	0	1	0
610	Wintersburg Presbyterian Church	Santa Ana	CA	Pacific Southwest	328	337					5		3	3
611	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN	Central South	123	110	50	70	5	10	0	4	0	1
612	Woodland Presbyterian Church	New Orleans	LA	Gulf South	104	112	104	104	7	3	2	0	0	2
613	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Woodland	WA	Pacific Northwest	79	81	57	59	13	12	0	0	1	0
614	Woodlands Presbyterian Church	Hot Springs Village	AR	Central South	115	101	93	90	0	8	14	0	0	0
615	Woodside Presbyterian Church *&	Roanoke	VA	New River										
616	Wooton Presbyterian Church (EPC), Inc.	Wooton	KY	Southeast	27	19	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
617	Wylliesburg Evangelical Presbyterian Church ^	Wylliesburg	VA	New River	28	28	15	15	40	40	0	0	0	0
618	Yokena Presbyterian Church *	Vicksburg	MS	Gulf South	16		20		0					
619	Zion Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Alton	IL	Rivers and Lakes	13	13	16	16	0	0	0	0	0	0
		TOTAL			**119,717**	**121,659**	**91,876**	**96,925**	**38,520**	**38,725**	**2,453**	**1,440**	**1,122**	**1,850**

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	Church	City	State	Presbytery	Income to General Operating fund	Tithes and Offerings	Local Program and Operating Expenses	POI 2025	Presbytery Giving	WO Giving 2025	Non-EPC Missions and Outreach Giving	Presbytery Church Plants	Direct to EPC	Direct to Non-EPC	Parent	Partner	Patron
1	5point7 Community Church +	Detroit	MI	Midwest	$236,750	$35,896	$246,000	$0	$0	$0	$1,200	$0	$0	$1,200			
2	Advent Presbyterian Church	Cordova	TN	West	$1,957,728	$1,691,933	$2,013,645	$10,200	$42,500	$19,700	$63,465	$2,400				Yes	
3	Alder Presbyterian Church *	Eatonville	WA	Pacific Northwest				$0		$0							
4	Alexis United Presbyterian Church (EPC)	Alexis	IL	Rivers and Lakes	$98,399	$82,240	$97,604	$0	$728	$0	$4,184	$0	$0	$0			
5	All Saints Presbyterian Church *	Memphis	TN	Central South				$0		$2,400							
6	All Souls Church of Austin &+	Austin	TX	Gulf South	$91,624	$91,624	$103,583	$614	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
7	All Souls Fellowship Church	Decatur	GA	Southeast	$1,600,000	$1,600,000	$1,442,780	$0	$18,000	$0	$139,220	$0	$10,000	$0		Yes	Yes
8	Altan Presbyterian Church	Monroe	NC	Central Carolinas	$81,007	$91,649	$63,609	$525	$2,810	$1,385	$14,589						
9	Amazing Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Highland Heights	OH	Alleghenies	$272,816	$272,816	$306,182	$2,576	$4,456	$0	$20,594		$2,000				Yes
10	Antioch Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic		$30,659	$21,573	$0	$600	$0	$10,457						Yes
11	Aplington Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Aplington	IA	Rivers and Lakes	$165,831	$165,704	$167,514	$1,578	$10,519	$3,600	$19,120	$2,657	$0	$0			Yes
12	Ardara Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Ardara	PA	Alleghenies	$106,977	$103,613	$121,876	$0	$1,515	$1,000	$6,636	$0	$0	$0			
13	Argyle Presbyterian Church	Argyle	NY	East	$362,706	$362,703	$269,693	$5,198	$16,102	$5,900	$52,850						
14	Asbury Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Westfield	NC	New River				$0		$1,400							
15	Asheville Hope Community Church +	Asheville	NC	Central Carolinas	$113,421	$0	$151,060	$0	$0	$0	$38,308	$0	$0	$0			
16	Ashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Voorhees	NJ	East				$750		$11,300					Yes		
17	Athens Church	Kansas City	MO	Mid-America	$816,000	$937,000	$801,000	$0	$1,900	$0	$79,000	$0	$5,000				Yes
18	Atoka Presbyterian Church	Atoka	TN	Central South	$150,000	$150,000	$123,000	$1,415	$1,340	$9,000	$2,400	$0	$14,200	$0		Yes	Yes
19	Attica-Williamsport Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Attica	IN	Midwest	$128,987	$128,987	$127,268	$782	$442	$1,400	$10,421	$0	$0	$0			
20	Avery Presbyterian Church &	Bellevue	NE	Great Plains	$286,735	$272,639	$255,326	$3,258	$5,698	$500	$6,750		$1,000	$0	Yes		
21	Banks Presbyterian Church &	Marvin	NC	Central Carolinas	$224,376	$214,385	$185,385	$1,500	$1,500	$9,600	$45,368	$0	$0	$0			
22	Barbee Church	Excelsior Springs	MO	Mid-America	$125,300	$118,203	$154,056	$0	$250	$0	$2,615	$0	$0	$0			
23	Bathgate Presbyterian Church	Bathgate	ND	Great Plains	$175,752	$173,296	$120,590	$1,630	$3,840	$0	$30,626	$1,400	$0	$0			Yes
24	Bay Presbyterian Church	Bay Village	OH	Alleghenies	$2,915,110	$3,021,876	$2,546,093	$29,843	$13,995	$0	$296,541		$1,500,000		Yes		
25	Bayou Christian Church	Thibodaux	LA	Gulf South	$229,570	$172,833	$198,410	$2,769	$1,160	$504	$4,183						
26	Bellefield Presbyterian Church	Pittsburgh	PA	Alleghenies	$891,535	$906,591	$917,653	$6,705	$3,855	$0	$135,011	$0	$0	$0			
27	Bellevue Presbyterian Church	Gap	PA	East	$374,850	$374,850	$356,569	$3,876	$2,067	$9,600	$26,850	$1,000					
28	Bensalem Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Eagle Springs	NC	Central Carolinas	$160,896	$160,896	$101,153	$0	$15,200	$16,200	$22,181						
29	Benton Heights Presbyterian Church	Monroe	NC	Central Carolinas	$559,998	$583,992	$511,035	$5,139	$18,239	$4,500	$52,457	$0	$0	$0			
30	Bergen Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Bergen	NY	Alleghenies	$220,117	$220,117	$192,833	$2,481	$3,190	$1,792	$22,094	$0	$0	$0			
31	Berry Hill Presbyterian Church &!	South Boston	VA	New River	$60,363	$54,763	$65,085	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,000	$0			
32	Bethany Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Havertown	PA	East	$566,376	$554,091	$546,157	$0	$0	$7,500	$56,518	$0	$0	$0			
33	Bethany Presbyterian Church	Kingsport	TN	Southeast	$111,024	$111,024	$107,151	$1,168	$935	$550	$0						
34	Bethany Presbyterian Church	Mercer	PA	Alleghenies	$512,633	$370,681	$491,935	$3,850	$18,880	$0	$53,457	$0	$0	$0			
35	Bethel Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Enon Valley	PA	Alleghenies	$305,401	$305,401	$303,107	$4,924	$8,360	$0	$51,816	$7,245	$7,245	$0		Yes	
36	Bethel Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Reading	MN	Rivers and Lakes	$59,870	$59,870	$50,937	$863	$4,778	$306	$5,700	$0	$0	$0			
37	Bethel Presbyterian Church	Claudville	VA	New River		$20,048	$19,748	$0	$0	$0	$1,000	$0	$0	$0			
38	Bethel Presbyterian Church &	Prosperity	PA	Alleghenies	$189,329	$189,329	$191,238	$2,013	$3,783	$0	$20,850	$0	$1,000	$0			Yes
39	Bethel Presbyterian Church	Raeford	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic		$76,475	$79,627	$1,451		$0	$1,340	$0	$0	$0			

40	Bethlehem Presbyterian Church	Monroe	NC	Central Carolinas	$277,201	$277,702	$253,882	$2,878	$7,557	$0	$2,850	$0	$0	$0			
41	Bethlehem Steltz Reformed Church	Glen Rock	PA	East	$199,933	$201,894	$215,945	$1,800	$1,400	$0	$4,245	$500					Yes
42	Bickleton Evangelical Community Church	Bickleton	WA	Pacific Northwest	$145,991	$145,991	$128,341	$0	$2,650	$0	$15,000	$0	$0	$0			
43	Big Creek Presbyterian Church	Hannibal	MO	Mid-America	$88,182	$104,085	$104,360	$1,565	$4,194	$3,185	$15,539	$0	$0	$4,194			Yes
44	Bishopville Presbyterian Church	Bishopville	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$221,683	$221,683	$211,921	$1,896	$4,991	$1,200	$9,723	$0	$0	$0			
45	Bouldin Memorial Presbyterian Church	Stuart	VA	New River	$107,599	$75,879	$81,210	$621	$3,086	$0	$12,401	$0	$0	$0			
46	Boulevard Church &+	Henrico	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$224,000	$224,000	$224,000	$0	$0	$0	$3,600	$0	$0	$0			
47	Brainerd Presbyterian Church	Chattanooga	TN	Southeast	$323,476	$316,940	$261,280	$1,650	$3,000	$0	$31,686	$0	$0	$0			
48	Brazeau Presbyterian Church	Brazeau	MO	Mid-America	$7,450	$45,961	$52,184	$0	$570	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
49	Brick Church Fellowship *	Williamson	NY	East				$0		$0							
50	Bridge City Church *&!	Cleveland	OH	Alleghenies				$0		$0							
51	Brookdale Presbyterian Church	St. Joseph	MO	Mid-America	$404,978	$409,978	$366,262	$2,945	$3,174	$7,500	$64,350		$10,900			Yes	
52	Buck Hill Presbyterian Church &	Newland	NC	Central Carolinas		$64,647	$57,735	$0		$4,833	$3,286	$0	$0	$0			
53	Buffalo Presbyterian Church	Greensboro	NC	New River	$968,109	$1,608,301	$1,421,031	$3,708	$8,275	$23,800	$107,731	$0	$0	$0			
54	Calvary Presbyterian Church	Flint	MI	Midwest	$329,831	$340,641	$302,831	$3,045	$1,680	$0	$35,100		$2,700				Yes
55	Calvin Presbyterian Church	Corvallis	OR	Pacific Northwest	$233,267	$294,777	$247,131	$2,018	$4,036	$0	$61,510						
56	Calvin Presbyterian Church ^	Ellwood City	PA	Alleghenies	$272,272	$135,122	$252,139	$0	$15,735	$0	$33,341		$5,972				Yes
57	Cameronian Presbyterian Church ^	Rockingham	NC	Central Carolinas	$121,770	$121,770	$99,581	$0	$1,150	$0	$12,789	$0	$0	$0			
58	Canyons Community Church	Castle Rock	CO	West	$503,783	$460,147	$552,392	$0	$500	$0	$29,000	$0	$0	$0			
59	Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church	Knoxville	TN	Southeast	$10,740,501	$8,459,210	$16,674,990	$60,000	$25,000	$35,600	$2,913,963	$16,000	$130,500	$1,500,000	Yes	Yes	Yes
60	Cedarville United Presbyterian Church	Cedarville	OH	Midwest	$189,830	$180,623	$190,634	$1,800	$5,824	$1,000	$13,383	$0	$0	$0			
61	Center Church *	Grove City	PA	Alleghenies				$0		$0							
62	Centerpoint Community Church of Roseville	Roseville	CA	Pacific Southwest	$2,161,015	$2,161,015	$2,009,073	$11,835	$23,670	$0	$104,090	$1,600					Yes
63	Centerville Presbyterian Church	Fremont	CA	Pacific Southwest	$1,134,667	$988,310	$1,244,041	$6,876	$4,488	$21,699	$171,941	$5,000	$0	$1,000	Yes	Yes	Yes
64	Central Presbyterian Church	Clayton	MO	Mid-America	$4,997,195	$4,997,195	$4,491,911	$26,608	$16,935	$22,500	$676,292						

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65	Central Presbyterian Church	Huntsville	AL	Central South	$939,224	$1,176,212	$1,480,512	$6,120	$6,305	$20,762	$230,988		$98,515		Yes	Yes	Yes
66	Central Presbyterian Church *&	Hyden	KY	Southeast				$0		$0							
67	Central Presbyterian Church *&	New York	NY	East				$0		$0							
68	Central West End Church	Saint Louis	MO	Mid-America	$366,173	$366,173	$344,565	$3,713	$1,330	$0	$10,000						
69	Centre Presbyterian Church	Mooresville	NC	Central Carolinas	$334,703	$333,028	$428,969	$3,309	$5,618	$10,001	$16,360						
70	Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church	Gig Harbor	WA	Pacific Northwest	$3,317,199	$4,368,614	$3,328,494	$32,125	$64,000	$12,600	$496,269		$60,000		Yes	Yes	Yes
71	Chelsea Presbyterian Church +	Chelsea	AL	Central South	$200,000	$125,000		$0		$0							
72	Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church	Englewood	CO	West	$4,274,000	$4,776,730	$4,182,000	$35,000	$43,005	$67,212	$453,747						Yes
73	Cherry Hills Community Church	Highlands Ranch	CO	West	$13,093,823	$11,260,417	$9,866,556	$22,917	$45,000	$12,700	$1,061,847	$0	$0	$0			
74	Chinese Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Portland	OR	Pacific Northwest	$86,284	$38,746	$80,008	$1,000	$2,000	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
75	Christ Church East Bay	Berkeley	CA	Pacific Southwest	$1,716,690	$1,658,352	$1,458,862	$5,000	$8,500	$0	$77,000	$0	$0	$12,000			Yes
76	Christ Church EPC	Anderson	SC	Central Carolinas		$239,831	$227,326	$900	$1,900	$2,400	$21,400	$0	$0	$0			
77	Christ Church Presbyterian Church	Dalton	GA	Southeast	$2,147,542	$1,937,769	$2,405,641	$17,584	$61,501	$13,853	$347,732	$6,000	$10,000	$0			Yes
78	Christ Community *+	Great Falls	MT	West				$0		$0							
79	Christ Community Church	Carmichael	CA	Pacific Southwest	$2,199,500	$2,199,500	$2,179,800	$22,780	$34,000	$0	$64,000			$7,500			Yes
80	Christ Community Church - Montreat	Montreat	NC	Central Carolinas	$1,427,619	$2,097,155	$1,385,282	$15,298	$20,400	$45,394	$172,224	$0	$0	$0			
81	Christ Community Church (EPC)	Caldwell	ID	Pacific Northwest	$17,160	$206,246	$213,840	$171	$3,755	$300	$6,000	$0	$0	$0			
82	Christ Community Church, EPC &	Highland Lakes	NJ	East	$60,871	$60,451	$55,221	$1,984		$0							
83	Christ Covenant Church	Cincinnati	OH	Midwest	$677,789	$675,686	$639,681	$7,260	$2,431	$5,000	$65,560						
84	Christ Covenant Church	Leoti	KS	West	$960,281	$960,281	$377,168	$0	$3,700	$0	$29,303	$2,000	$0	$2,000	Yes	Yes	Yes
85	Christ Fellowship Church	Fort Collins	CO	West	$332,481	$332,481	$291,033	$3,600	$500	$0	$10,000	$0	$0	$0			
86	Christ Fellowship Church &	Southern Pines	NC	Central Carolinas	$51,932	$94,032	$133,340	$750	$3,042	$0	$1,900	$0	$0	$0			
87	Christ Presbyterian Church	Daphne	AL	Gulf South	$215,549	$285,934	$295,721	$5,042	$2,500	$3,450	$7,800	$0	$0	$0			
88	Christ Presbyterian Church	Garden City	ID	Pacific Northwest	$282,000	$282,000		$0	$2,820	$3,100		$0	$0	$0			
89	Christ Presbyterian Church	Springfield	MA	East	$252,508	$245,969	$214,113	$1,840	$3,680	$1,800	$19,028	$0	$0	$0			
90	Christ Reformed Presbyterian Church	Torrington	WY	West	$106,660	$112,048	$995,407	$932	$932	$605	$10,652	$0	$600	$0		Yes	
91	Christ Reigns Mission Church &+	Winchester	VA	New River	$17,733	$17,733	$12,422	$0	$0	$0	$3,400						
92	Christ the King Community Church	Durham	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$650,240	$400,240	$516,756	$0	$3,219	$2,000	$53,818	$0	$0	$0			
93	Christ's Community Church	Fort Wayne	IN	Midwest	$217,262	$300,346	$217,515	$805	$455	$0	$23,140	$0	$0	$0			
94	Church of the Cross Birmingham !	Vestavia	AL	Central South	$539,794	$539,794	$555,143	$0	$0	$0	$23,976	$0	$31,567	$0		Yes	Yes
95	Church of the Redeemer	Maryville	TN	Southeast	$745,000	$723,000	$744,000	$6,492	$4,800	$4,229	$75,000	$6,000	$34,000	$10,000	Yes	Yes	
96	Church of the Resurrection	New Orleans	LA	Gulf South	$1,161,599	$1,650,897	$1,114,823	$0	$7,500	$0	$37,006	$7,500	$12,000				Yes
97	City Church	St. Louis	MO	Mid-America	$695,999	$689,042	$533,870	$5,765	$1,600	$6,000	$43,711	$0	$6,350	$0		Yes	Yes
98	City Line Church &!	Bala Cynwyd	PA	East	$560,732	$554,034	$498,730	$5,342	$5,215	$0	$64,073	$0	$0	$0			
99	City of Refuge Church	Houston	TX	Gulf South	$541,178	$556,011	$537,134	$1,700	$1,120	$4,404	$42,896	$0	$0	$0			
100	Clayton Community Church	Clayton	CA	Pacific Southwest	$650,000	$650,000	$597,451	$969	$6,500	$1,700	$22,750					Yes	Yes
101	Cleveland Presbyterian Church	Abingdon	VA	New River	$65,512	$65,512	$51,912	$0	$2,400	$2,400	$11,200	$0	$0	$0			
102	Clifton United Presbyterian Church	Clifton	OH	Midwest	$90,000	$85,900	$139,900	$0	$1,750	$0	$0	$1,000	$0	$0			Yes
103	Closer to God Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kearny	NJ	East	$339	$217	$81	$0	$300	$0	$1	$0	$0	$0			

104	College Corner Presbyterian Church	College Corner	OH	Midwest	$52,620	$59,464	$109,282	$644	$1,008	$0	$3,501	$0	$0	$0			
105	Colonial Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO	Great Plains	$5,439,502	$5,343,697	$4,805,859	$37,700	$26,220	$39,703	$1,286,824	$3,600	$70,203	$8,000	Yes	Yes	Yes
106	Colonial Village Presbyterian Church	Niagara Falls	NY	Alleghenies	$106,220	$107,820	$55,467	$970	$3,677	$303	$5,985	$300	$0	$0			Yes
107	Common Grace Church *&+	Katonah	NY	East				$0		$0							
108	Community Church of Ephrata	Ephrata	WA	Pacific Northwest	$467,826	$463,940	$427,750	$5,139	$10,278	$16,900	$52,245						
109	Community Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Owosso	MI	Midwest	$529,782	$529,782	$425,822	$4,000	$2,500	$21,600	$63,800		$16,800				
110	Community Evangelistic Church *	Knoxville	TN	Southeast				$1,000		$0							
111	Community Presbyterian Church &	Clewiston	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$100,000	$100,000	$114,000	$970	$1,930	$100	$4,420	$0	$0	$0			Yes
112	Community Presbyterian Church of Danville	Danville	CA	Pacific Southwest	$6,954,654	$6,713,533	$7,245,553	$45,000	$75,972	$0	$795,101					Yes	
113	Community Presbyterian Church of Onalaska *&	Onalaska	WA	Pacific Northwest				$0		$440							
114	Community Protestant Church	West Yellowstone	MT	West	$158,877	$158,877	$166,781	$1,800	$1,000	$0	$8,776	$0	$0	$0			
115	Concord Presbyterian Church	Sumter	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$441,722	$441,722	$155,679	$0	$12,434	$3,600	$9,400	$0	$0	$0			
116	Cornerstone Church of Goldsboro *&	Goldsboro	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic				$3,000		$0							
117	Cornerstone Church of Stapleton ^	Stapleton	NE	West	$65,198	$65,198	$88,463	$0	$0	$0	$4,500	$0	$0	$0			
118	Cornerstone Community Church &	Aurora	CO	West	$170,000	$143,000	$160,000	$420	$720	$10,920	$10,000	$0	$0	$0			
119	Cornerstone Community Church of Greeley	Greeley	CO	West	$802,547	$792,112	$886,913	$7,867	$4,020	$6,000	$228,760	$0	$0	$0			
120	Cornerstone EPC	Katy	TX	Gulf South	$400,896	$340,236	$316,589	$1,225	$2,136	$0	$6,000	$0	$0	$0			
121	Cornerstone Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Brighton	MI	Midwest	$4,121,494	$7,290,337	$3,085,093	$28,317	$17,416	$163,540	$628,406						
122	Cornerstone Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Franklin	NC	Southeast	$144,610	$2,914	$111,591	$1,154	$923	$1,080	$200	$0	$0	$0			
123	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	Leawood	KS	Great Plains	$972,061	$914,682	$1,017,308	$408	$13,904	$1,500	$65,030						
124	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	Selma	AL	Central South	$492,752	$447,026	$569,151	$11,494		$0	$26,382						
125	Cornerstone Woodlake	Woodlake	CA	Pacific Southwest	$195,763	$178,535	$253,745	$3,272	$4,090	$0	$8,217	$0	$0	$0			
126	Covenant Church	West Lafayette	IN	Midwest	$2,451,451	$2,448,158	$1,749,173	$11,650	$18,216	$6,000	$415,855					Yes	
127	Covenant Community Church	Aurora	CO	West	$96,783	$96,783	$85,762	$0	$900	$0	$1,600			$1,600			
128	Covenant Community Church	Vacaville	CA	Pacific Southwest	$565,019	$502,040	$587,392	$5,039	$7,558	$0	$4,652		$5,000				

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129	Covenant Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Lake Jackson	TX	Gulf South	$895,444	$800,889	$849,839	$7,800	$5,800	$12,313	$77,081	$0	$0	$0			
130	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Jackson	MS	Gulf South	$1,001,416	$1,001,416	$966,444	$10,368	$4,216	$38,874	$154,060	$0	$20,000	$0		Yes	
131	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Ligonier	PA	Alleghenies	$317,235	$282,297	$397,350	$5,321	$4,062	$1,500	$22,679	$0	$0	$0			
132	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Mobile	AL	Gulf South	$312,575	$3,111,157	$1,495,545	$13,000	$20,424	$59,000	$191,715	$65,675	$25,000	$0		Yes	Yes
133	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Monroe	LA	Gulf South	$896,881	$896,881	$666,197	$0	$0	$33,524	$187,104	$0	$0	$0			
134	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Reno	NV	Pacific Southwest	$478,075	$491,361	$486,813	$4,454	$4,453	$8,000	$43,436	$0	$0	$0			
135	Covenant Presbyterian Church	Sharon	PA	Alleghenies	$513,749	$513,749	$475,666	$8,773	$25,835	$0	$48,535	$2,400				Yes	
136	Covenant Presbyterian Church (The Barn) *	Simsbury	CT	East				$2,500		$0					Yes	Yes	Yes
137	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Omaha	Omaha	NE	Great Plains	$941,520	$853,971	$1,114,471	$8,000	$8,000	$0	$70,000	$0	$0	$0			
138	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Orange	Orange	CA	Pacific Southwest		$687,038	$973,988	$2,220	$5,786	$5,967	$76,667						
139	Covenant Presbyterian Church of San Diego	San Diego	CA	Pacific Southwest	$531,963	$531,963	$524,963	$5,300	$2,700	$300	$52,460		$6,000				Yes
140	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Tallahassee	Tallahassee	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$165,576	$156,865	$160,358	$1,600	$1,600	$0	$6,000	$0	$0	$0			
141	Covenant Presbyterian Church of Tecumseh	Tecumseh	MI	Midwest		$338,058	$309,049	$3,910	$2,210	$7,750	$21,513						
142	Crosswalk Community Church	Knoxville	TN	Southeast	$152,177	$152,177	$147,530	$1,608	$1,280	$1,420	$6,965						Yes
143	CUP Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Beaver Falls	PA	Alleghenies	$234,112	$209,476	$215,464	$5,537	$9,764	$8,000	$17,787	$0	$1,000	$0			Yes
144	Cypress Springs Presbyterian Church *&	Cameron	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic				$3,366		$0							
145	Darlington Presbyterian Church	Darlington	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$1,279,356	$1,293,821	$976,153	$10,165	$112,005	$80,060	$187,077						
146	Davenport Presbyterian Church	Davenport	WA	Pacific Northwest	$84,619	$84,619	$143,977	$1,200	$1,600	$0	$2,400	$2,400	$0	$0			Yes
147	Deerfield Presbyterian Church	Deerfield Street	NJ	East	$663,452	$226,222	$296,421	$3,000	$17,440	$7,400	$54,763	$0	$0	$0			
148	Desert Hills Presbyterian Church	Scottsdale	AZ	West	$1,680,671	$1,619,012	$1,409,547	$9,000	$29,000	$11,000	$334,580		$5,000				Yes
149	Diamondhead Community Church ^	Diamondhead	MS	Gulf South	$380,320	$375,820	$342,568	$0	$6,250	$0	$0	$2,400					Yes
150	Downtown Church	Memphis	TN	Central South	$888,348	$888,348	$892,887	$5,000	$18,200	$5,050	$44,079	$4,300					
151	Downtown Presbyterian &!+	Lynchburg	VA	New River	$43,393	$40,583	$40,289	$0		$0							
152	Dundalk Presbyterian Church	Baltimore	MD	East	$244,071	$231,403	$244,071	$2,162	$2,162	$0	$480						
153	Eastminster Presbyterian Church	Knoxville	TN	Southeast	$342,352	$346,786	$331,588	$3,510	$2,808	$0	$27,299	$0	$0	$0			
154	Eastminster Presbyterian Church	Wichita	KS	Great Plains	$3,595,104	$3,455,391	$2,967,049	$26,625	$18,000	$66,150	$641,915	$10,000	$0	$0			Yes
155	Easton Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	Pacific Southwest	$302,796	$278,033	$358,698	$2,320	$1,296	$0	$26,009	$0	$0	$0			
156	Edgerton First Reformed Church	Edgerton	MN	Rivers and Lakes	$1,152	$403,926	$390,501	$0	$2,654	$0	$26,676	$0	$0	$0			
157	Edgington Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Taylor Ridge	IL	Rivers and Lakes	$236,739	$236,739	$232,523	$2,500	$5,000	$22,275	$17,612	$0	$17,000	$0		Yes	Yes
158	Edna Presbyterian Church	Edna	TX	Gulf South	$36,000	$53,189	$145,919	$166	$768	$0	$4,890	$0	$0	$0			
159	Elon Presbyterian Church	Madison Heights	VA	New River	$184,667	$184,667	$140,477	$1,500	$1,500	$0	$16,343	$0	$0	$0			
160	Englewood Presbyterian Church	Rocky Mount	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$376,743	$376,743	$121,787	$3,300	$13,941	$6,770	$9,171	$0	$0	$0			
161	EPiC Evangelical Presbyterians in Christ Church	Troy	MO	Mid-America	$85,457	$85,457	$28,148	$0	$1,259	$0	$5,300						
162	Evangelical Presbyterian Church &	Hazelton	ND	West				$2,300		$0		$0	$0	$0			
163	Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Elkton	Elkton	VA	New River	$493,711	$473,622	$429,463	$4,000	$10,100	$7,800	$30,507	$0	$0	$0			
164	Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Milford	Milford	PA	East	$228,657	$208,594	$245,812	$2,697	$3,828	$0	$2,416	$0	$0	$0			
165	Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Westtown	Westtown	NY	East	$21,229	$48,049	$66,970	$0	$0	$0	$2,000						
166	Evangelical Presbyterian Stone Church	Caledonia	NY	Alleghenies	$85,190	$85,190	$81,545	$826	$1,696	$0	$2,440						
167	Evangelical Valley Presbyterian Church	Hazelton	ID	Pacific Northwest	$129,990	$163,655	$90,321	$0	$1,500	$0	$40,194	$0	$0	$0			

168	Evergreen Church &	Graham	WA	Pacific Northwest	$114,854	$114,854	$153,556	$607	$1,907	$2,042	$5,600	$0	$0	$0			
169	Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church	Fair Oaks	CA	Pacific Southwest	$2,272,321	$2,974,617	$2,902,958	$19,836	$10,757	$7,200	$268,102	$0	$6,000	$0			Yes
170	Fairview Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Glenmoore	PA	East	$248,309	$224,262	$201,224	$2,575	$2,575	$1,000	$11,750		$1,000				
171	Faith Church Brownsville &	Brownsville	TX	Gulf South	$688	$600	$6,323	$0	$2,932	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
172	Faith Community Church of Seminole	Seminole	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$475,845	$475,845		$0	$2,000	$0	$13,000	$3,000	$0	$0			Yes
173	Faith Evangelical Church CO	Loveland	CO	West	$1,315,098	$1,259,084	$771,639	$10,000	$2,500	$30,800	$272,896	$0	$0	$0			
174	Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Crivitz	WI	Rivers and Lakes	$165	$163,925	$164,769	$1,630	$1,630	$4,000	$11,300		$1,400	$2,200		Yes	Yes
175	Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Rochester Hills	MI	Midwest	$757,623	$757,623	$771,773	$6,500	$2,652	$6,825	$20,949						
176	Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church Kingstowne *&	Kingstowne	VA	East				$3,875		$18,425							
177	Faith Presbyterian Church *&	Aurora	CO	West				$0		$0							
178	Faith Presbyterian Church	Covington	LA	Gulf South	$632,026	$632,026	$564,591	$4,820	$6,116	$22,721	$47,125	$0	$15,320	$0			Yes
179	Faith Presbyterian Church	Germantown	TN	Central South	$635,756	$542,645	$773,450	$5,000	$4,000	$11,580	$99,936	$2,000					Yes
180	Faith Presbyterian Church &	McDonough	GA	Southeast	$388,468	$512,802	$373,931	$2,750	$3,700	$2,250	$34,046	$800					
181	Faith Presbyterian Church	Perryville	MO	Mid-America	$127,605	$127,605	$128,438	$1,079	$969	$0	$3,600	$0	$0	$0			
182	Faith Presbyterian Church	West Lafayette	IN	Midwest	$224,190	$212,931	$180,860	$0	$910	$7,000	$21,720						
183	Faith United Presbyterian Church ^	Brandon	SD	Great Plains	$423,045	$426,953	$394,953	$4,220	$3,420	$0	$39,048	$2,000	$0	$0			Yes
184	Falling Spring Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Hot Springs	VA	New River	$132,901	$130,000	$136,902	$0	$1,296	$0							
185	Farner Presbyterian Church	Farner	TN	Southeast	$82,520	$82,520	$78,445	$479	$1,660	$0		$0	$500	$0			
186	Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church	South Lyon	MI	Midwest	$471,643	$495,860	$344,505	$2,875	$1,640	$64,470	$37,212		$4,740				
187	First Armenian Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	Pacific Southwest	$0	$753,493	$896,949	$8,018	$5,890	$2,256	$79,086	$0	$0	$1			
188	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Anna	IL	Central South	$215,322	$215,322	$203,100	$2,139	$1,581	$2,000	$13,150						
189	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Battle Creek	MI	Midwest				$92		$0							
190	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Frankfort	IN	Midwest	$403,065	$374,467	$292,204	$5,451	$3,080	$0	$96,396	$0	$0	$0			
191	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kokomo	IN	Midwest	$540,379	$540,379	$547,867	$2,749	$15,722	$9,500	$50,859	$0	$500	$0			
192	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Roanoke	VA	New River	$657,942	$642,801	$517,227	$0	$5,735	$7,200	$13,112						

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193	First Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Oregon City	Oregon City	OR	Pacific Northwest	$675,807	$675,807	$614,140	$4,583	$13,670	$19,446	$37,026						
194	First Presbyterian Church &!	Bainbridge	GA	Southeast		$442,243	$81,600	$4,000	$7,200	$0		$0	$0	$0			
195	First Presbyterian Church of Barton	Barton	MD	Alleghenies	$4,871	$45,848	$56,635	$0	$450	$0	$4,979						
196	First Presbyterian Church	Beaver	PA	Alleghenies	$1,506,150	$1,506,150	$1,235,695	$0	$11,780	$3,000	$222,949		$28,000		Yes	Yes	
197	First Presbyterian Church	Blytheville	AR	Central South	$106,552	$106,552	$77,378	$0	$500	$0	$1,000	$0	$0	$0			Yes
198	First Presbyterian Church	Clay Center	KS	Great Plains	$225,366	$212,217	$222,608	$2,000	$4,540	$0	$3,375						
199	First Presbyterian Church	Corinth	MS	Central South	$1,120,763	$1,092,823	$830,654	$10,286	$9,800	$84,000	$75,150	$3,175	$0	$0			Yes
200	First Presbyterian Church	Covington	TN	Central South	$438,541	$438,541	$742,582	$3,000	$3,300	$11,400	$10,525	$0	$5,100	$0	Yes		Yes
201	First Presbyterian Church &!	Derby	KS	Great Plains	$447,980	$445,976	$461,913	$0	$0	$0	$27,445	$0	$0	$0			
202	First Presbyterian Church *&	Dexter	NM	West				$2,200		$0							
203	First Presbyterian Church	Donalsonville	GA	Southeast	$238,345	$220,168	$206,912	$0	$1,944	$0	$36,655	$0	$0	$0			
204	First Presbyterian Church &	Fort Myers	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$547,329	$525,463	$601,089	$0	$1,784	$0	$61,228	$0	$1,000	$0			
205	First Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	Pacific Southwest	$1,871,604	$1,871,604	$1,550,034	$15,070	$28,335	$19,020	$129,461	$27,110	$0	$0		Yes	
206	First Presbyterian Church	Greenfield	TN	Central South	$0	$237,877	$191,261	$2,070	$3,420	$0	$15,500	$0	$0	$0			Yes
207	First Presbyterian Church	Greenville	OH	Midwest	$321,381	$184,509	$308,150	$0	$1,507	$0	$11,392	$0	$0	$0			
208	First Presbyterian Church	Hanford	CA	Pacific Southwest	$277,096	$272,927	$277,096	$2,513	$3,769	$0	$11,355	$0	$250	$0		Yes	
209	First Presbyterian Church &!	Holland	MN	Rivers and Lakes	$143,750	$90,000	$80,000	$0	$1,000	$0	$14,000						
210	First Presbyterian Church	Levelland	TX	West	$158,238	$155,748	$162,113	$1,692	$5,400	$1,008	$9,695						
211	First Presbyterian Church	Little Rock	IA	Rivers and Lakes	$93,959	$93,959	$62,542	$0	$809	$0	$7,200	$0	$0	$2,500			Yes
212	First Presbyterian Church	Malden	MO	Central South	$22,030	$22,030	$41,643	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
213	First Presbyterian Church	Martinsburg	WV	New River	$259,929	$171,136	$267,329	$452	$802	$0	$2,668	$0	$0	$0			
214	First Presbyterian Church	Meridian	MS	Gulf South	$1,651,061	$1,766,958	$1,579,028	$15,000	$17,764	$41,000	$102,508	$0	$27,800	$0			Yes
215	First Presbyterian Church	Mexia	TX	Gulf South	$150,008	$69,410	$109,467	$1,451	$2,060	$600	$10,425	$1,100	$0	$0			Yes
216	First Presbyterian Church	Ocean Springs	MS	Gulf South	$1,976,829	$1,976,829	$1,611,408	$19,752	$59,112	$30,000	$167,683	$0	$12,000	$0		Yes	
217	First Presbyterian Church	Opelika	AL	Central South	$1,072,909	$1,151,780	$1,010,462	$6,210	$18,550	$4,900	$78,600	$0	$13,125	$0	Yes		Yes
218	First Presbyterian Church	Ossian	IN	Midwest	$243,420	$230,690	$343,470	$2,556	$2,565	$0	$7,200						
219	First Presbyterian Church of Pascagoula	Pascagoula	MS	Gulf South	$861,958	$861,958	$897,694	$12,155	$15,528	$7,333	$80,000	$0	$0	$0			
220	First Presbyterian Church	Paulding	OH	Midwest	$193,896	$210,562	$118,679	$1,849	$13,294	$10,000	$42,420	$0	$0	$0			
221	First Presbyterian Church	Redding	CA	Pacific Northwest	$201,922	$151,675	$193,287	$0	$2,100	$1,200	$20,000	$0	$0	$0			
222	First Presbyterian Church ^	Siloam Springs	AR	Great Plains	$317,695	$270,171	$280,899	$2,390	$5,824	$4,000	$26,972	$0	$0	$0			
223	First Presbyterian Church	South Charleston	OH	Midwest	$346,856	$343,603	$341,175	$1,989	$1,223	$14,400	$12,962	$0	$0	$0			Yes
224	First Presbyterian Church *	Stanton	KY	Southeast				$0		$0							
225	First Presbyterian Church	Trenton	TN	Central South	$290,740	$348,037	$283,069	$2,640	$6,545	$0	$2,022	$0	$0	$0			
226	First Presbyterian Church	Vicksburg	MS	Gulf South	$591,393	$586,012	$573,956	$4,600	$4,600	$4,200	$25,239						
227	First Presbyterian Church	West Memphis	AR	Central South	$201,115	$196,693	$236,223	$2,148	$3,296	$1,800	$1,200						
228	First Presbyterian Church of Bakersfield	Bakersfield	CA	Pacific Southwest	$1,745,223	$1,557,769	$1,520,281	$12,000	$7,050	$0	$160,520	$30,889	$0	$0			Yes
229	First Presbyterian Church LA	Baton Rouge	LA	Gulf South	$4,323,732	$4,226,332	$3,642,555	$29,450	$29,163	$82,254	$304,824	$0	$25,000	$108,000	Yes		Yes
230	First Presbyterian Church of Ada	Ada	OH	Midwest	$151,525	$143,952	$137,549	$1,495	$1,170	$0	$7,803	$0	$0	$0			
231	First Presbyterian Church of Aurora	Aurora	IL	Rivers and Lakes	$591,658	$591,658	$463,334	$6,544	$6,446	$3,900	$64,695	$1,500	$3,900	$0			Yes

232	First Presbyterian Church of Bakerstown	Bakerstown	PA	Alleghenies	$524,417	$515,316	$553,076	$7,604	$8,370	$0	$18,690	$0	$0	$0			
233	First Presbyterian Church of Bentleyville	Bentleyville	PA	Alleghenies	$163,922	$154,396	$156,739	$1,706	$7,028	$2,168	$19,610	$0	$0	$0			
234	First Presbyterian Church of Bucyrus	Bucyrus	OH	Midwest	$153,573	$129,100	$131,689	$1,495	$9,551	$3,000	$12,882						
235	First Presbyterian Church of Eden	Eden	NC	New River	$295,977	$295,977	$291,138	$0		$5,500	$18,350						
236	First Presbyterian Church of Fairbanks	Fairbanks	AK	Pacific Northwest	$574,138	$551,120	$568,575	$6,100	$6,100	$7,000	$27,997	$0	$0	$0			
237	First Presbyterian Church of Hillsdale	Hillsdale	MI	Midwest	$274,972	$274,972	$262,965	$2,510	$3,660	$0	$20,270		$1,500				Yes
238	First Presbyterian Church of Lonaconing	Lonaconing	MD	Alleghenies	$38,107	$110,763	$124,781	$783	$3,303	$0	$8,730	$0	$0	$0			
239	First Presbyterian Church of Magnolia ^	Magnolia	AR	Gulf South	$590,007	$488,151	$270,865	$0	$3,924	$1,500	$160,482				Yes		
240	First Presbyterian Church of Mora	Mora	MN	Rivers and Lakes	$89,020	$89,020	$68,403	$943	$1,600	$1,400	$3,646						
241	First Presbyterian Church of Orlando	Orlando	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$8,067,403	$10,974,125	$11,114,609	$38,850	$25,000	$6,110	$453,705		$24,000				Yes
242	First Presbyterian Church of Port Gibson	Port Gibson	MS	Gulf South	$143,692	$204,283	$119,724	$0	$1,200	$11,425	$11,720	$0	$0	$0			
243	First Presbyterian Church of Reform !	Reform	AL	Central South	$138,808	$27,651	$41,012	$0	$0	$0	$7,968	$0	$0	$0			
244	First Presbyterian Church of Rome	Rome	GA	Southeast	$3,094,480	$4,184,526	$2,594,291	$27,897	$24,320	$91,382	$490,236	$0	$20,000	$0			
245	First Presbyterian Church of Skiatook	Skiatook	OK	Great Plains	$95,730	$81,714	$20,574	$400	$513	$0	$1,366						
246	First Presbyterian Church of South Amboy *&!	Amboy	NJ	East				$0		$0							
247	First Presbyterian Church of Starkville ^	Starkville	MS	Central South	$1,200,978	$1,185,012	$971,968	$0	$6,600	$19,007	$64,390						Yes
248	First Presbyterian Church of Thomasville	Thomasville	GA	Southeast	$1,916,124	$1,695,080	$1,696,240	$16,939	$17,336	$32,500	$249,349						
249	First Presbyterian Church of Waukegan	Waukegan	IL	Rivers and Lakes	$207,410	$235,812	$332,557	$2,061	$2,618	$0	$28,402	$0	$2,163	$0			Yes
250	First Presbyterian Church West Point	West Point	MS	Central South	$512,027	$521,027	$432,332	$4,155	$2,380	$9,708	$64,203	$2,500	$0	$3,000			Yes
251	First Presbyterian Evangelical Church	Montezuma	IA	Rivers and Lakes	$223,071	$223,071	$227,665	$675	$2,024	$0	$4,000						
252	First United Presbyterian Church	Moline	IL	Rivers and Lakes	$375,774	$501,411	$289,390	$3,632	$11,832	$8,200	$87,161	$5,000	$0	$0			
253	Forest Hills EPC	Wilson	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$145,464	$145,464	$145,464	$1,256	$1,175	$3,650	$0	$1,800	$1,200	$0		Yes	Yes
254	FORGE Church *	Greensboro	NC	New River				$0		$1,210					Yes	Yes	
255	Forks of the Brandywine Presbyterian Church *	Glenmoore	PA	East				$3,814		$4,000							
256	Fourth Presbyterian Church	Bethesda	MD	East	$6,805,590	$7,632,272	$6,974,516	$0	$40,999	$114,800	$839,158						

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257	Fowler Presbyterian Church	Fowler	CA	Pacific Southwest	$355,684	$449,618	$310,460	$2,000	$2,000	$0	$17,650						Yes
258	Freeman Presbyterian Church	Freeman	MO	Great Plains	$68,441	$60,913	$58,968	$368	$1,049	$0	$896	$1,049	$0	$0			Yes
259	Fremont Presbyterian Church	Sacramento	CA	Pacific Southwest	$2,442,710	$2,449,927	$3,210,718	$18,000	$17,000	$8,800	$368,312	$5,000					Yes
260	Galatia Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Eagle Rock	VA	New River	$86,368	$86,368		$0	$864	$0	$10,000						
261	Galatia Presbyterian Church ^	Fayetteville	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$280,986	$280,986	$263,606	$2,603	$2,657	$1,000	$30,229	$0	$0	$0			
262	Garden Memorial Presbyterian Church &	Charlotte	NC	Central Carolinas	$29,396	$94,312	$104,635	$945	$3,326	$1,200	$4,800	$0	$0	$0			
263	Garwood EPC	Garwood	NJ	East	$220,026	$201,654	$195,183	$1,026	$2,149	$0	$0	$0	$0	$5,000			Yes
264	Gashland Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kansas City	MO	Mid-America	$906,424	$886,318	$907,920	$5,955	$7,000	$10,850	$64,260	$10,000	$23,050	$16,185			Yes
265	Gateway Church	Findlay	OH	Midwest	$3,637,745	$3,676,230	$3,204,320	$32,000	$17,900	$158,349	$358,248	$0	$9,400	$42,200			Yes
266	Gateway Church *&	Slippery Rock	PA	Alleghenies				$0		$0							
267	Genesis Presbyterian Church *	Mercedes	TX	Gulf South				$0		$0							
268	Glendale Presbyterian Church	DeFuniak Springs	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$108,290	$108,290	$104,430	$0	$1,300	$1,000	$8,400	$2,000	$1,000	$8,400			
269	GlenHaven Church	Kansas City	MO	Great Plains	$169,013	$134,444	$383,574	$3,000	$1,600	$2,500	$13,000	$2,000	$3,000			Yes	Yes
270	Golden Rule Presbyterian Church *&	Elysian Fields	TX	Gulf South				$0		$2,000							
271	Good Shepherd Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Ajo	AZ	West	$105,742	$76,164	$86,295	$0	$0	$300	$4,572						
272	Goodwill Church	Montgomery	NY	East	$1,834,617	$2,075,819	$1,958,530	$12,500	$7,500	$26,810	$20,560						
273	Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church &!	Pittsburgh	PA	Alleghenies	$280,764	$280,764	$285,792	$0	$0	$0	$12,575	$0	$0	$1,000			
274	Grace Brevard &	Brevard	NC	Central Carolinas	$346,949	$346,949	$341,475	$1,000	$4,300	$0	$52,000	$0	$0	$0		Yes	Yes
275	Grace Chapel Madison EPC	Madison	MS	Gulf South	$540,233	$485,505	$393,885	$3,473	$2,416	$4,000	$26,123	$0	$2,400	$0			Yes
276	Grace Community Church	Falcon	CO	West	$239,411	$238,681	$238,380	$0		$0	$19,540						Yes
277	Grace Community Church	Surprise	AZ	West	$512,274	$512,274	$385,116	$5,575	$5,078	$19,933	$24,736		$2,200				Yes
278	Grace Community EPC	Oscoda	MI	Midwest	$103,461	$100,629	$90,227	$705	$460	$2,930	$3,616	$0	$0	$0			
279	Grace Community Fellowship	Helena	MT	West	$103,342	$71,788	$162,736	$0	$0	$0	$5,306	$0	$0	$0			
280	Grace Community Fellowship	Ottawa	KS	Great Plains	$284,020	$284,020	$288,060	$3,000	$5,500	$996	$27,782						
281	Grace Community Presbyterian Church *+	Weed	CA	Pacific Northwest				$0		$453							
282	Grace Covenant	Exton	PA	East	$662,654	$639,806	$596,790	$5,822	$10,874	$12,550	$65,549	$0	$0	$0			
283	Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church *&^	Ingram	TX	Gulf South				$0		$0							
284	Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church +	Leesburg	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$251,169	$251,169	$233,165	$2,200	$2,200	$3,000	$18,865	$0	$2,200	$0			Yes
285	Grace Fellowship &	Marshall	TX	Gulf South	$338,682	$326,142	$404,174	$1,242	$864	$28,561	$2,400	$0	$0	$0			
286	Grace Lakin !+	Lakin	KS	West	$194,930	$194,930	$200,998	$0		$0	$16,000				Yes		
287	Grace Point Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Nappanee	IN	Midwest	$69,936	$69,936	$141,336	$0	$0	$0	$450	$0	$0	$0			
288	Grace Presbyterian Church	Alexandria	LA	Gulf South	$190,185	$378,651	$526,316	$4,466	$30,876	$24,100	$14,612						
289	Grace Presbyterian Church	Franklin	NC	Southeast	$204,840	$241,554	$198,203	$1,300	$4,600	$0	$17,075	$2,000	$0	$0			Yes
290	Grace Presbyterian Church	Montgomery	AL	Central South	$303,790	$280,406	$345,641	$0	$500	$5,875	$36,372						Yes
291	Grace Reformed Church EPC	Casper	WY	West	$99,000	$97,500	$90,822	$2,500	$2,500	$0	$8,000	$0	$0	$1,500			Yes
292	Graceminster Presbyterian Church	Monroe	LA	Gulf South	$81,212	$81,212	$90,301	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
293	GracePoint Church	Dubuque	IA	Rivers and Lakes	$133,900	$171,900	$140,950	$913	$1,720	$8,040	$24,600	$0	$0	$0			
294	GracePoint Community Church	Littleton	CO	West	$282,674	$218,224	$272,014	$3,591	$5,665	$5,832	$10,140	$0	$0	$0			Yes
295	GracePoint Plant City	Plant City	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$505,679	$505,679	$543,035	$5,906	$9,220	$2,906	$33,770	$0	$0	$0			

296	Graystone Presbyterian Church	Indiana	PA	Alleghenies	$705,058	$693,924	$643,325	$6,533	$60,894	$3,557	$159,390						
297	Great Valley Presbyterian Church	Malvern	PA	East	$983,560	$1,108,200	$1,030,800	$5,543	$23,132	$12,781	$240,794	$0	$14,456	$7,350		Yes	Yes
298	Greenbriar Presbyterian Church *	Manchester	KY	Southeast				$0		$3,600							
299	Greentree Community Church	Kirkwood	MO	Mid-America	$2,635,481	$2,635,481	$1,808,378	$25,426	$10,545	$17,250	$492,685	$0	$60,000	$0			
300	Greenville Presbyterian Church ^	Donalds	SC	Central Carolinas	$182,187	$203,151	$195,592	$2,000	$2,500	$7,000	$1,200						
301	Greenwood Community Church	Greenwood Village	CO	West	$2,896,568	$2,626,919	$2,495,381	$11,700	$11,700	$8,000	$240,000		$8,000	$13,000		Yes	Yes
302	Greenwood Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Covington	VA	New River	$72,350	$72,350	$74,397	$794	$1,700	$1,700	$0	$0	$0	$0			
303	Grove Presbyterian Church, EPC	Dunn	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$158,678	$158,678	$160,000	$1,623	$6,000	$1,000	$10,300	$0	$0	$0			
304	Guinston Presbyterian Church	Airville	PA	East	$487,000	$752,546	$431,256	$4,371	$20,021	$6,200	$440,753	$24,000	$0	$6,500			Yes
305	Hanover Presbyterian Church	Clinton	PA	Alleghenies	$205,969	$205,969	$186,829	$1,645	$2,575	$0	$6,429	$0	$0	$0			
306	Harmony Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Harrisville	PA	Alleghenies	$147,640	$147,640	$137,467	$1,205	$2,116	$0	$18,437	$1,425	$2,600			Yes	Yes
307	Harrison Presbyterian Church EPC ^	Harrison	NY	East	$308,466	$166,107	$308,715	$1,646	$2,634	$6,400	$24,050	$0	$1,700	$9,800		Yes	Yes
308	Harvest Church &!+	Garner	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$271,166	$271,166	$203,593	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
309	Hebron Church &!	Pittsburgh	PA	Alleghenies	$951,975	$935,975	$1,003,304	$0	$0	$0	$94,418						
310	Hendersonville Presbyterian Church	Hendersonville	NC	Central Carolinas	$745,008	$723,817	$569,602	$3,622	$9,054	$1,000	$129,231	$0	$0	$5,000			Yes
311	Heritage Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Santa Maria	CA	Pacific Southwest	$64,700	$64,670	$126,400	$150	$649	$900	$3,600	$250	$0	$0			Yes
312	Hickory United Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Hickory	PA	Alleghenies	$510,185	$490,560	$446,736	$4,570	$8,170	$0	$87,588						
313	Highland Heights Presbyterian Church	Arlington	TN	Central South	$525,776	$550,773	$552,001	$5,488	$5,520	$2,400	$35,280						
314	Highline Community Church	Centennial	CO	West	$794,289	$682,457	$862,482	$0		$0	$20,227		$900				Yes
315	Highview Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Dousman	WI	Rivers and Lakes	$413,105	$668,895	$290,196	$4,000	$4,000	$19,970	$32,000	$3,900		$600			Yes
316	Hillsboro Presbyterian Church	Hillsboro	IL	Rivers and Lakes	$255,787	$255,788	$276,080	$0		$7,200	$17,390						
317	Hillsdale Presbyterian Church	Paola	KS	Great Plains	$300,795	$300,795	$316,085	$3,000	$6,976	$0	$12,420	$1,100	$0	$0			Yes
318	Hillside Presbyterian Church *&	Greenville	PA	Alleghenies				$1,301		$1,095							
319	Hogarty Community Church	Birnamwood	WI	Rivers and Lakes	$43,619	$47,685	$34,946	$429	$4,858	$4,000	$7,520	$0	$0	$0			
320	Hollywood Church, EPC	Greenville	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$168,015	$184,336	$214,002	$0	$4,200	$0	$2,800						

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321	Hope Church *&+	Mt Pleasant	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic				$0		$0							
322	Hope Church	San Antonio	TX	Gulf South	$273,326	$217,605	$410,693	$2,240	$1,600	$9,500	$25,486	$24,000	$0	$0	Yes		
323	Hope Church Memphis	Cordova	TN	Central South	$12,506,355	$12,186,523	$11,778,535	$120,000	$150,000	$9,635	$355,887	$0	$0	$0			
324	Hope Church of Carbondale	Carbondale	IL	Central South	$375,947	$375,947	$266,111	$0	$3,760	$5,487	$25,191	$0	$0	$0			
325	Hope Church Raleigh *	Raleigh	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic				$2,451		$3,012							
326	Hope Church Richmond	Richmond	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$7,543,069	$7,543,069	$6,732,849	$49,100	$98,200	$33,496	$611,190	$0	$54,000	$62,000			Yes
327	Hope Community Church	Pembroke Pines	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$318,854	$68,920	$327,268	$2,976	$5,952	$0	$0						
328	Hope Community Church *+	Waynesboro	VA	New River				$0		$4,530							
329	Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Grayslake	IL	Rivers and Lakes	$224,182	$251,652	$195,094	$1,440	$6,960	$4,500	$7,500	$0	$0	$0			
330	Hope Fellowship EPC	Chickamauga	GA	Southeast	$95,700	$102,083	$78,000	$680	$540	$360	$7,500		$1,000				Yes
331	Hope for Renewal +	Youngstown	OH	Alleghenies	$252,883	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
332	Hope Presbyterian Church !	Columbus	OH	Alleghenies	$340,035	$310,827	$340,296	$0	$1,140	$100	$26,298	$0	$0	$0			
333	Hope Presbyterian Church	Folsom	CA	Pacific Southwest	$316,664	$316,664	$222,685	$3,613	$7,520	$2,200	$9,275						
334	Hope Presbyterian Church	Rogue River	OR	Pacific Northwest	$0	$182,924	$173,294	$0	$2,600	$0	$12,720	$0	$0	$0			
335	Hope Presbyterian Church VA	Fredericksburg	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$1,053,540	$1,053,540	$852,539	$11,248	$8,948	$22,299	$129,666	$0	$3,500	$0			Yes
336	Hopewell Presbyterian Church	Florence	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$124,456	$114,276	$149,888	$1,174	$1,174	$2,000	$7,356	$0	$0	$0			
337	Hopewell Presbyterian Church	Franklin	IN	Midwest	$350,451	$270,926	$274,874	$3,945	$6,193	$0	$14,361	$0	$0	$0			
338	Hudson Presbyterian Church	Hudson	OH	Alleghenies	$443,481	$418,177	$384,892	$0	$22,835	$16,000	$18,625						
339	Huntingdon Valley Presbyterian Church	Huntingdon Valley	PA	East	$446,714	$316,436	$501,548	$2,250	$6,219	$0	$1,023	$1	$2,400	$0	Yes		
340	Hurley Presbyterian Church &^	Hurley	VA	New River				$0		$0						Yes	
341	Idana Presbyterian Church	Clay Center	KS	Great Plains	$115,757	$111,725	$119,425	$1,212	$1,320	$0	$18,052	$500	$0	$0			Yes
342	Iglesia Presbiteriana Esperanza *&+	Memphis	TN	Central South				$0		$0							
343	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica en Añasco	Añasco	PR	Florida and the Caribbean		$35,521	$29,516	$0	$1,000	$500							
344	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Mayagüez	Mayagüez	PR	Florida and the Caribbean	$155,174	$155,174	$134,985	$1,500	$1,790	$800	$2,590	$0	$0	$0			
345	Iglesia Presbiteriana Evangélica Westminster	Bayamón	PR	Florida and the Caribbean	$400,069	$400,069	$249,223	$3,376	$2,252	$709	$3,432	$0	$0	$0			
346	Immanuel Presbyterian Church	Warrenville	IL	Rivers and Lakes	$1,040,308	$1,185,348	$1,211,967	$6,544	$14,057	$20,000	$90,000						
347	Jacksonville Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	OR	Pacific Northwest	$1,500,377	$1,500,377	$1,337,907	$0	$12,000	$39,789	$85,250	$8,000		$0	Yes		Yes
348	Jesus Reigns Presbyterian Church	Brownsville	TX	Gulf South	$16,515	$14,065	$6,344	$0	$150	$0	$800						
349	Kempsville Presbyterian Church	Virginia Beach	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$1,109,539	$862,205	$955,494	$8,400	$9,000	$33,205	$57,575	$0	$0	$0			
350	Kenton Church *&	Portland	OR	Pacific Northwest				$0		$520							
351	Kershaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kershaw	SC	Central Carolinas	$232,536	$232,536	$197,244	$2,000	$2,000	$6,150	$6,382						
352	Kingman Presbyterian Church	Kingman	AZ	Pacific Southwest	$204,847	$191,184	$42,450	$1,958	$11,628	$1,200	$9,508	$0	$0	$0			
353	Kirk Crossing	Jenks	OK	Great Plains	$1,499,893	$1,615,067	$1,511,532	$2,500	$4,000	$5,300	$80,000	$4,000					
354	Kirk of the Hills	Tulsa	OK	Great Plains	$3,170,479	$2,930,108	$2,968,579	$20,000	$10,000	$0	$400,000	$10,000	$125,000		Yes	Yes	Yes
355	Kirk of the Pines +	Marsh Harbour	Bahamas	Florida and the Caribbean	$79,805	$79,805	$42,602	$0	$750	$0	$750	$0	$0	$0			
356	Kirkmont Presbyterian Church	Beavercreek	OH	Midwest	$1,626,627	$1,328,511	$1,531,654	$10,245	$4,485	$16,004	$85,913						
357	Kishwaukee Community EPC	Stillman Valley	IL	Rivers and Lakes	$494,882	$494,882	$479,426	$5,442	$11,384	$0	$58,718	$0	$2,000	$0			
358	Kitsap House	Port Orchard	WA	Pacific Northwest	$321,166	$321,166	$314,710	$2,498	$6,663	$500	$11,915		$15,000			Yes	
359	Knox Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Kenmore	NY	Alleghenies				$0		$0							

360	Knox Presbyterian Church	Ann Arbor	MI	Midwest	$1,893,236	$1,818,584	$1,681,129	$0	$6,800	$0	$300,000	$0	$0	$0			
361	Koinonia Church !	Nashville	TN	Central South		$387,237	$351,630	$0		$0	$3,061						
362	Lake City Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Lake City	MI	Midwest	$68,854	$62,826	$80,877	$1,300	$1,300	$0	$1,683	$0	$0	$0			
363	Lake Forest Family of Churches (aggregate)	Huntersville	NC	Central Carolinas	$5,207,260	$5,207,260	$4,933,831	$52,390	$104,418	$6,000	$362,713	$0	$287,172	$0	Yes	Yes	Yes
364	Lakeside Presbyterian Church	Brandon	MS	Gulf South	$1,220,361	$1,220,361	$1,282,661	$0	$6,800	$32,050	$84,937	$10,000	$0	$0		Yes	
365	Lancaster Presbyterian Church	Lancaster	NY	Alleghenies	$441,656	$441,656	$458,100	$4,075	$24,020	$4,890	$33,430						
366	Langhorne Presbyterian Church	Langhorne	PA	East	$439,390	$467,275	$487,612	$0	$8,407	$5,405	$71,047	$0	$0	$0			Yes
367	Lebanon Church: An Evangelical Church	West Mifflin	PA	Alleghenies	$382,102	$382,102	$345,158	$0	$5,305	$0	$13,796	$0	$0	$0			
368	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Greenwood	VA	New River	$141,355	$145,217	$117,866	$1,825	$1,825	$5,500	$11,818	$0	$0	$0			
369	Lebanon Presbyterian Church	Lebanon	OH	Midwest	$144,625	$1,333,360	$1,505,322	$12,361	$18,861	$7,500	$130,322	$0	$0	$0			
370	Leicester Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Leicester	NY	Alleghenies	$55,620	$40,815	$59,747	$642	$1,726	$600	$3,754	$0	$200	$0			Yes
371	Leota Community Church &!	Leota	MN	Rivers and Lakes	$205,173	$293,025	$241,300	$2,309	$2,581	$4,000	$48,322						
372	Liberty Presbyterian Church	Liberty	MS	Gulf South		$5,000	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
373	Lighthouse Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Mooresville	NC	Central Carolinas				$0		$103							
374	Lighthouse Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Richmond	OH	Alleghenies	$101,738	$101,738	$97,814	$794	$1,469	$0	$3,697						
375	Lighthouse Presbyterian Church ^	Paola	KS	Great Plains	$721,718	$1,294,364	$968,203	$6,020	$19,140	$7,600	$113,532	$0	$0	$0		Yes	
376	Little Britain Presbyterian Church	Peach Bottom	PA	East	$194,042	$159,077	$216,717	$2,000	$3,603	$3,100	$37,136						
377	Littleton Christian Church	Littleton	CO	West	$337,376	$343,619	$299,384	$2,520	$2,520	$4,800	$14,581	$0	$1,200	$0			
378	Living Hope EPC	Haymarket	VA	East	$624,634	$624,634	$432,665	$5,500	$1,500	$7,310	$50,000	$0	$0	$0			
379	Living Hope Evangelical Church	St. Clair Shores	MI	Midwest	$330,732	$325,225	$311,892	$3,172	$4,564	$3,850	$4,112						
380	Living Waters Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Wendell	ID	Pacific Northwest	$178,664	$177,290	$124,083	$1,791	$3,582	$1,650	$14,813	$0	$0	$0			
381	Living Word Reformed EPC &!	North Haledon	NJ	East	$147,630	$0	$202,339	$0	$728	$0	$25,665	$0	$0	$0			
382	Logos Presbyterian Church	Lynnwood	WA	Pacific Northwest	$205,859	$196,194	$175,659	$1,850	$3,700	$1,208	$8,300	$0	$0	$0			
383	Longview EPC	Longview	TX	West	$727,552	$727,552	$667,583	$6,544	$6,504	$15,566	$42,701		$10,000			Yes	
384	Lookout Valley Presbyterian Church	Chattanooga	TN	Southeast	$157,975	$141,433	$124,837	$1,474	$1,965	$8,006	$8,750		$1,300				Yes

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385	Lucaya Presbyterian Church *&	Freeport	Bahamas	Florida and the Caribbean				$0		$0							
386	Magnolia Presbyterian Church *&	Magnolia	MS	Gulf South				$0		$0							
387	Manoa Community Church	Havertown	PA	East	$1,022,084	$962,703	$953,808	$6,660	$8,356	$20,504	$40,429	$0	$29,734	$2,000		Yes	
388	Manor Presbyterian Church *&	Manor	PA	Alleghenies				$0		$0							
389	Mars Hill Presbyterian Church	Acworth	GA	Southeast	$549,778	$549,778	$533,285	$3,420	$9,490	$0	$228,689	$2,760					Yes
390	Mary's Presbyterian Church *&	Tazewell	VA	New River				$0		$0							
391	McBee Presbyterian Church	McBee	SC	Central Carolinas	$204,797	$204,797	$190,274	$2,500	$18,000	$18,121	$21,993	$0	$0	$0			
392	McCloud Community Presbyterian Church	McCloud	CA	Pacific Northwest	$93,821	$93,821	$84,080	$0	$2,902	$1,007	$6,500	$0	$0	$0			
393	McLean Presbyterian Church	Ellerbe	NC	Central Carolinas		$90,037	$85,167	$0	$1,500	$24,417	$7,700	$0	$0	$0			
394	Mebane Presbyterian Church	Mebane	NC	New River	$296,807	$361,113	$253,258	$2,587	$7,222	$4,000	$15,934						
395	Memorial Park Presbyterian Church	Allison Park	PA	Alleghenies	$2,587,591	$2,453,205	$2,457,252	$24,532	$43,378	$20,505	$437,408	$0	$0	$0			
396	Mercy Church &!+	Spokane	WA	Pacific Northwest	$136,000	$136,000	$130,000	$0	$0	$0	$0						Yes
397	Merrill Presbyterian Church	Merrill	OR	Pacific Northwest	$116,530	$95,316	$140,930	$0	$1,138	$0	$1,150						
398	Middle Sandy Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Homeworth	OH	Alleghenies				$300		$1,140							
399	Middle Smithfield Presbyterian Church	East Stroudsburg	PA	East	$302,210	$245,810	$239,150	$744	$5,701	$0	$26,084	$0	$0	$0			
400	Midway Evangelical Presbyterian Church	New Zion	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$185,918	$185,918	$174,928	$0	$1,758	$0	$15,978	$0	$750	$0			
401	Military Avenue EPC	Detroit	MI	Midwest	$175,452	$112,560	$164,464	$1,300	$1,100	$1,000	$7,100						
402	Mill Creek Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Hookstown	Hookstown	PA	Alleghenies	$164,016	$211,166	$182,568	$1,638	$6,026	$2,634	$8,816	$0	$1,138	$0			
403	Millbrook Presbyterian Church	Fresno	CA	Pacific Southwest	$64,435	$34,235	$59,442	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
404	Minden Presbyterian Church	Minden	LA	Gulf South	$198,091	$197,417	$166,891	$1,620	$5,760	$1,000	$3,500	$0	$0	$0			
405	Montesano Presbyterian Church &!	Montesano	WA	Pacific Northwest	$164,444		$102,835	$0	$1,500	$0	$11,600						
406	Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church	Moraga	CA	Pacific Southwest	$2,516,384	$2,467,421	$1,827,573	$12,288	$14,755	$8,657	$120,000	$0	$0	$1,000		Yes	
407	Mount Perry Presbyterian Church	Mount Perry	OH	Alleghenies	$0	$63,599	$43,131	$0	$1,151	$0	$1,421	$566	$0	$0			Yes
408	Mountville Presbyterian Church *	Portersville	PA	Alleghenies				$950		$819							Yes
409	Mt Olivet Presbyterian Church	Aliquippa	PA	Alleghenies	$219,338	$219,338	$192,726	$2,130	$4,185	$800	$9,257						
410	Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church	Aliquippa	PA	Alleghenies	$272,927	$260,678	$425,944	$1,000	$2,000	$0	$70,569	$500	$0	$0		Yes	Yes
411	Mt. Lebanon Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Pittsburgh	PA	Alleghenies	$868,315	$774,960	$1,057,891	$0	$16,800	$0	$208,178	$0	$5,400	$12,000		Yes	Yes
412	Mt. Olivet Presbyterian Church	Trenton	OH	Midwest	$182,904	$159,604	$165,652	$0	$1,001	$1,750	$6,475						
413	Mt. Pleasant Church	Aliquippa	PA	Alleghenies	$604,791	$570,167	$595,190	$5,831	$10,229	$0	$71,054		$5,000				Yes
414	Muddy Creek Presbyterian Church	Butler	PA	Alleghenies	$115,211	$115,211	$104,275	$0	$1,305	$0	$3,223	$0	$0	$0			
415	Murphy Presbyterian Church EPC	Murphy	NC	Southeast	$74,351	$74,351	$74,351	$607	$1,075	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
416	Myrtle Grove Presbyterian Church	Wilmington	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$824,000	$824,000	$634,000	$7,539	$8,200	$6,000	$134,000	$0	$0	$0		Yes	
417	Nación Santa Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Haines City	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$58,955	$58,955	$45,636	$0		$0							
418	Natrona Heights Presbyterian Church *^	Natrona Heights	PA	Alleghenies				$0		$0							
419	Neighborhood Church *	Littleton	CO	West				$0		$364							
420	Nell Townsend Presbyterian Church	Anderson	SC	Central Carolinas	$98,162	$84,249	$63,698	$0		$0	$3,136						
421	New Albany Presbyterian Church	New Albany	OH	Alleghenies	$2,176,000	$2,569,146	$1,748,683	$0		$0	$231,316		$12,000				Yes
422	New Bedford Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Pulaski	PA	Alleghenies	$288,436	$283,193	$288,012	$3,049	$2,677	$0	$54,192	$2,500					Yes
423	New Beginning Church	Spring City	TN	Southeast	$78,179	$77,957	$44,520	$960	$384	$0	$500	$0	$0	$0			

424	New City Presbyterian Church +	South Bend	IN	Midwest	$169,320	$157,320	$76,000	$0	$0	$0	$3,766	$0	$0	$0			
425	New Covenant Church &	Pompano Beach	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$1,061,720	$773,092	$1,175,525	$0	$6,220	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
426	New Covenant Evangelical Presbyterian Church &+	Burgaw	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$44,420	$44,420	$28,446	$0	$750	$0	$2,400	$0	$0	$0			
427	New Covenant Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	New Castle	PA	Alleghenies				$819		$2,310							
428	New Covenant Presbyterian Church +	Hutchinson	KS	Great Plains	$249,971	$245,135	$224,048	$1,180	$1,320	$0	$18,280	$0	$0	$0			
429	New Covenant Presbyterian Church	Mandeville	LA	Gulf South	$726,670	$614,858	$633,373	$0	$800	$22,537	$70,011	$0	$9,607	$9,607			Yes
430	New Creation Family Church !	St. Petersburg	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$281,632	$316,935	$440,188	$0	$2,820	$0	$29,150	$0	$0	$6,000		Yes	
431	New Cut Presbyterian Church *	Lancaster	SC	Central Carolinas				$700		$1,500							
432	New Hope Church	Pittsburgh	PA	Alleghenies	$4,650	$91,823	$136,392	$0	$750	$0	$3,447						
433	New Hope EPC	Kingsport	TN	Southeast	$52,773	$52,773	$63,012	$600	$1,800	$600	$4,200	$0	$0	$0		Yes	
434	New Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Blue Rapids	KS	Great Plains	$166,694	$114,417	$165,141	$1,357	$1,180	$1,300	$24,591	$1,700	$1,300	$1,300			Yes
435	New Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Burney	CA	Pacific Northwest		$33,120	$25,149	$299	$611	$1,280	$7,360						
436	New Hope Presbyterian Church	Kent	WA	Pacific Northwest	$979,745	$816,461	$932,740	$7,500	$7,500	$0	$12,447	$7,500	$0	$0		Yes	
437	New Hope Presbyterian Church - Fort Myers	Fort Myers	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$1,820,273	$2,175,426	$1,571,190	$18,000	$10,337	$10,000	$286,043						
438	New Life Community Church	Covelo	CA	Pacific Southwest	$28,879	$24,335	$28,350	$280	$3,609	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
439	New Life Presbyterian Church	Salem	VA	New River	$138,345	$166,192	$144,754	$959	$4,417	$1,000	$8,231						
440	NewLife Gathering	Knoxville	TN	Southeast	$1,120,655	$1,120,655	$925,641	$0	$2,500	$0	$40,387					Yes	
441	North Oaks Church	Clarkston	MI	Midwest	$436,943	$375,786	$365,515	$2,852	$12,024	$7,656	$51,035	$0	$0	$0			
442	North Park EPC	Wexford	PA	Alleghenies	$1,038,627	$1,038,627	$944,836	$9,525	$4,500	$30,370	$93,774	$0	$500	$0			
443	North Point EPC *&	Danvers	MA	East				$0		$9,054							
444	Northminster Evangelical Presbyterian Church &	Madison Heights	VA	New River	$134,312	$127,288	$127,284	$0	$200	$0	$4,198	$0	$440	$0			Yes
445	Norton Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Norton	VA	New River				$0		$0							
446	Oak Island Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Oak Island	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$345,980	$345,980	$293,429	$3,500	$3,500	$0	$29,998	$0	$0	$0			
447	Oakhill Presbyterian Church	Grand Rapids	MI	Midwest	$496,033	$491,009	$545,977	$3,519	$7,344	$5,676	$54,538	$0	$0	$0			
448	Oakville Presbyterian Church	Shedd	OR	Pacific Northwest	$299,840	$264,123	$251,738	$0	$2,713	$1,000	$27,760	$0	$0	$0			

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449	Okanogan Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Okanogan	WA	Pacific Northwest	$44,975	$44,975	$41,557	$460	$880	$300	$1,000	$0	$0	$0			
450	Olivet EPC	Evansville	IN	Midwest	$18,585	$244,416	$263,001	$1,800	$2,600	$0	$31,575	$0	$0	$0			
451	Olivia Evangelical Presbyterian Church !	Olivia	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$199,751	$199,751	$366,158	$1,510	$3,396	$0	$10,436	$0	$0	$0			
452	One Hope Presbyterian Church	Longview	TX	Gulf South	$293,884	$247,680	$239,888	$0		$0		$0	$0	$0			
453	Open Door Presbyterian Church *&!+	Richardson	TX	West				$0		$0							
454	Orchard Christian Fellowship &	Londonderry	NH	East	$741,859	$652,337	$668,000	$0		$3,500	$70,250						
455	Oreland Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Oreland	PA	East	$858,260	$831,910	$858,260	$3,680	$3,933	$29,600	$71,500		$18,000				
456	Osyka Presbyterian Church	Osyka	MS	Gulf South		$27,233	$4,522	$0	$2,000	$2,000	$4,146	$0	$0	$0			
457	Overbrook Presbyterian Church	Gaffney	SC	Central Carolinas	$170,129	$165,400	$174,929	$1,650	$2,060	$5,800	$8,000	$0	$0	$0			
458	Panhandle Presbyterian Church *&	Guymon	OK	West				$0		$0							
459	Parkdale Community Church	Parkdale	OR	Pacific Northwest	$120,815	$119,765	$116,336	$1,243	$2,500	$1,800	$9,000	$0	$0	$0			
460	Parker Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Parker	CO	West	$2,587,931	$3,009,911	$2,573,101	$18,000	$45,800	$4,044	$781,864	$5,000	$0	$543,556		Yes	Yes
461	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Cumming	GA	Southeast	$575,978	$539,135	$564,976	$500	$5,000	$0	$30,805	$2,500	$0	$0			
462	Parkway Presbyterian Church	Tacoma	WA	Pacific Northwest	$184,355	$184,355	$192,149	$1,895	$12,000	$10,000	$26,724		$2,000				Yes
463	Peace Church	Durham	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$133,871	$140,116	$141,542	$1,143	$4,387	$1,600	$7,361	$0	$0	$0			
464	Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church	Klamath Falls	OR	Pacific Northwest	$166,380	$159,820	$164,187	$770	$5,200	$2,000	$6,000	$0	$1,200	$0			Yes
465	Peace Presbyterian Church	Flint	MI	Midwest	$87,616	$87,616	$63,463	$460	$2,800	$2,400	$5,691	$0	$0	$0			
466	Perrow Presbyterian Church *&	Cross Lanes	WV	New River				$0		$0							
467	Peters Creek Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Venetia	PA	Alleghenies	$563,741	$622,387	$663,942	$4,830	$19,825	$0	$50,087	$0	$0	$0			
468	Petrolia Presbyterian Church *&	Petrolia	PA	Alleghenies				$0		$0							
469	Pierpont Presbyterian Church	Pierpont	OH	Alleghenies	$142,775	$142,775	$140,949	$2,047	$3,382	$2,311	$18,911	$0	$0	$0			
470	Pine Run Presbyterian Church	Apollo	PA	Alleghenies	$145,017	$145,017	$79,852	$1,200	$1,635	$1,895	$2,812	$0	$0	$0			
471	Pineland Presbyterian Church	Jacksonville	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$300,001	$257,904	$196,696	$2,160	$4,320	$2,600	$6,500						
472	Plumtree Presbyterian Church *&	Plumtree	NC	New River				$0		$0							
473	Presbyterian Church of Kennett Square	Kennett Square	PA	East	$51,035	$327,460	$296,952	$2,970	$4,140	$0	$64,804	$0	$3,000	$0			Yes
474	Princeton Presbyterian Church	Princeton	WV	New River	$181,657	$176,468	$215,579	$1,767	$6,460	$2,000	$2,679	$0	$0	$0			Yes
475	Princetown Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Duanesburg	NY	East	$666,081	$648,527	$625,907	$2,933	$1,703	$3,160	$70,140						
476	Providence Church	Clyde	NC	Southeast	$195,651	$187,939	$202,953	$750	$2,250	$6,040	$16,620	$0	$0	$0			
477	Providence Church of Spring Hill, Inc	Spring Hill	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$436,076	$473,153	$477,950	$4,200	$8,400	$0	$2,611	$5,000	$500	$0			Yes
478	Providence Presbyterian Church	Angier	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$376,863	$682,027	$601,599	$3,200	$4,000	$0	$20,505	$0	$3,000	$3,000		Yes	Yes
479	Providence Presbyterian Church *	Bowling Green	MO	Mid-America				$0		$0							
480	Ramsay Memorial Church	Notasulga	AL	Central South	$40,630	$45,740	$36,912	$0	$600	$0	$5,070	$0	$0	$0			
481	Redeemer Presbyterian Church +	Erie	PA	Alleghenies	$86,841	$86,841	$89,206	$788	$6,105	$2,315	$6,093	$0	$1,000	$0			Yes
482	Renew EPC &+	Lee's Summit	MO	Mid-America	$315,519	$180,006	$309,689	$0	$0	$512	$15,772		$3,525				Yes
483	Reston Presbyterian Church	Reston	VA	East	$535,202	$535,000	$574,557	$2,737	$1,547	$7,000	$8,663	$0	$0	$0			
484	Restoration Church &!+	Hattiesburg	MS	Gulf South				$0		$0							
485	Restoration Church &+	Mechanicsville	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$678,573	$671,660	$652,507	$2,052	$6,619	$1,187	$17,103	$0	$0	$0			
486	Restoration Church	Munford	TN	Central South	$642,025	$515,491	$654,046	$4,652	$4,400	$0	$4,652	$0	$0	$0			
487	Restoration Community Church *&+	Lexington	NC	New River				$0		$12,000							

488	Resurrection Chattanooga *&	Chattanooga	TN	Southeast				$0		$0								
489	Resurrection Clinton Hill *&	Brooklyn	NY	East				$0		$0								
490	Reynolda Church	Winston Salem	NC	New River	$2,400,000			$11,979	$25,000	$100	$200,000							
491	Riceville Valley Community Church	Asheville	NC	Central Carolinas	$181,803	$181,803	$139,419	$1,500	$7,720	$4,340	$5,036	$0	$0	$0				
492	River City Church	DeBary	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$498,144	$442,169	$496,516	$4,258	$4,050	$0	$58,700	$3,000	$7,000	$0				Yes
493	River City Church	St. Charles	MO	Mid-America				$3,000		$0								
494	River Oaks Community Church	Clemmons	NC	New River	$3,186,343	$3,186,343	$2,844,872	$30,025	$24,000	$70,150	$451,259		$12,000	$26,780		Yes		
495	Rivermont Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Lynchburg	VA	New River	$2,113,220	$2,117,772	$1,697,616	$19,972	$72,360	$21,350	$343,243	$0	$0	$19,300				
496	Riverside Church *&	Webster Groves	MO	Mid-America				$0		$0								Yes
497	Riverside Evangelical Church	Sartell	MN	Rivers and Lakes	$267,787	$250,578	$226,017	$2,525	$4,377	$9,426	$11,631	$2,000	$0	$0				Yes
498	Rockville Presbyterian Church *&	Wadmalaw Island	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic				$0		$0								
499	Rocky River Presbyterian Church *&	Calhoun Falls	SC	Central Carolinas				$0		$0								
500	Romine Prairie Presbyterian Church	Kell	IL	Rivers and Lakes	$47,518	$9,120	$8,540	$0	$230	$1,500	$1,500	$1,200	$0	$0				
501	Roseann Evangelical Presbyterian Church &^	Hurley	VA	New River	$46,583	$46,583	$42,682	$0	$2,000	$1,000	$9,000	$0	$0	$6,600				Yes
502	Rosebrook Presbyterian Church &!	Rockville	MD	East	$408,839	$408,839	$467,552	$0	$0	$0	$7,200	$0	$0	$12,288		Yes		Yes
503	Roseland Reformed Church	Blomkest	MN	Rivers and Lakes	$201,516	$255,004	$208,713	$1,560	$3,120	$0	$38,264							Yes
504	Roslyn Presbyterian Church	Roslyn	WA	Pacific Northwest		$123,352	$134,747	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0				
505	Round Hill Presbyterian Church	Elizabeth	PA	Alleghenies	$148,287	$141,330	$108,982	$2,333	$2,500	$6,500	$14,662	$0	$0	$0				
506	Round Hill Presbyterian Church &	Felton	PA	East	$129,809	$123,979	$202,722	$1,700	$3,800	$2,800	$13,515	$0	$0	$0				
507	Rourk Presbyterian Church	Ellerbe	NC	Central Carolinas	$128,244	$139,794	$112,196	$976	$4,196	$1,000	$28,228	$0	$0	$0				
508	Russellville Presbyterian Church *	Russellville	OH	Midwest				$227		$400								
509	Saddlerock Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Wenatchee	WA	Pacific Northwest	$988,005	$1,024,120	$912,535	$8,575	$17,150	$20,428	$99,563							Yes
510	San Benito Presbyterian Church *&	San Benito	TX	Gulf South				$0		$0								
511	San Ramon Presbyterian Church	San Ramon	CA	Pacific Southwest	$638,353	$638,347	$709,668	$7,019	$3,510	$21,000	$33,474	$0	$0	$5,200				Yes
512	Scotland Presbyterian Church	El Dorado	AR	Gulf South	$52,883	$52,883	$58,196	$920	$920	$2,400	$6,300	$0	$0	$0				

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513	Seaside Church &!+	Vilano	FL	Florida and the Caribbean				$0		$0							Yes
514	Second Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN	Central South	$11,826,919	$15,297,068	$11,039,272	$78,425	$45,160	$146,495	$8,109,050		$225,287		Yes		
515	Sequim Community Church	Sequim	WA	Pacific Northwest	$1,548,124	$1,511,086	$1,464,118	$0	$41,783	$43,626	$125,190	$700				Yes	Yes
516	Shiloh Presbyterian Church	St. Marys	PA	Alleghenies	$523,547	$349,393	$361,168	$3,600	$11,000	$3,800	$26,760					Yes	
517	Sierra Presbyterian Church	Nevada City	CA	Pacific Southwest	$467,064	$465,917	$620,470	$5,058	$14,797	$3,000	$67,369		$4,000				Yes
518	Signal Mountain Presbyterian Church	Signal Mountain	TN	Southeast	$4,560,000	$4,356,708	$4,043,000	$40,000	$101,000	$58,000	$730,166	$25,000	$20,000	$10,000			Yes
519	Siler Presbyterian Church	Wesley Chapel	NC	Central Carolinas	$601,056	$656,833	$632,274	$9,000	$18,000	$10,320	$108,496						
520	Silver Lake Christian Community Church	Brackney	PA	East	$90,205	$90,131	$107,915	$689	$1,659	$450	$6,164	$0	$0	$0			
521	Simple Church Overland Park +	Overland Park	KS	Great Plains	$79,780	$79,780	$71,116	$0	$240	$0	$0	$0	$1,200	$0		Yes	Yes
522	Slate Mountain Evangelical Presbyterian Church *&	Meadows of Dan	VA	New River				$0		$0							
523	Southport Presbyterian Church	Indianapolis	IN	Midwest	$2,118,781	$1,979,640	$2,003,512	$12,802	$20,407	$18,200	$165,601	$0	$0	$0			
524	Springhill Presbyterian Church	Bozeman	MT	West	$1,199,639	$1,215,817	$1,031,165	$0	$13,000	$0	$60,134	$0	$0	$0			
525	St. Andrew Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Auburn	IN	Midwest	$275,341	$275,341	$365,638	$2,774	$793	$3,600	$4,270						
526	St. Andrew's Presbyterian Kirk	Nassau	Bahamas	Florida and the Caribbean	$506,176	$369,915	$559,963	$0	$3,250	$0	$6,650	$2,000	$0	$0	Yes	Yes	Yes
527	St. Giles EPC *&	Charlotte	NC	Central Carolinas				$0		$2,360							
528	St. John Assyrian Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Turlock	CA	Pacific Southwest		$155,475	$229,607	$0	$2,019	$0	$2,000	$0	$0	$0			
529	St. Luke Evangelical Church *&^	Newton	KS	Great Plains				$0		$0							
530	St. Matthews Presbyterian Church *&	St. Matthews	SC	Central Carolinas				$0		$0							
531	St. Patrick Presbyterian Church	Collierville	TN	Central South	$1,834,560	$1,834,560	$1,843,560	$7,370	$6,000	$0	$122,288	$25,000	$16,250	$2,500	Yes	Yes	Yes
532	St. Paul's Presbyterian Church	Somerset	PA	Alleghenies	$1,048,928	$1,060,150	$774,217	$11,844	$11,156	$22,529	$243,546	$0	$0	$0			
533	St. Stephen Presbyterian Church !	Orlando	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$66,139	$27,659	$140,543	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
534	Starkdale Presbyterian Church	Wintersville	OH	Alleghenies	$306,525	$306,525	$339,011	$0	$1,200	$1,200	$15,970						
535	Sterry Memorial Presbyterian Church	Parma	ID	Pacific Northwest		$253,498	$230,178	$1,853	$5,000	$0	$10,783						
536	Stockton Presbyterian Church	Stockton	AL	Gulf South	$220,895	$221,899	$216,689	$0	$4,440	$1,200	$4,319	$0	$0	$0			
537	Storyhill Church	Davidson	NC	Central Carolinas	$2,490,261	$2,490,261	$1,723,376	$24,750	$21,000	$0	$426,347		$60,000	$18,000		Yes	Yes
538	Stow Presbyterian Church *	Stow	OH	Alleghenies				$2,564		$0							Yes
539	Stuart Presbyterian Church &	Stuart	VA	New River	$321,553	$321,553	$271,510	$2,363	$11,300	$3,593	$8,050						
540	Summit Presbyterian Church *	Butler	PA	Alleghenies				$0		$697							
541	Sunset Presbyterian Church	Portland	OR	Pacific Northwest	$2,293,530	$2,423,169	$2,277,613	$0	$24,000	$0	$187,760						
542	Sutter Presbyterian Church	Bridgeton	MO	Mid-America	$105,186	$105,186	$145,315	$1,380	$1,880	$0	$65,642	$0	$0	$0			
543	Tabernacle Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Youngstown	OH	Alleghenies	$463,843		$432,631	$3,523	$4,692	$12,301	$42,570	$0	$8,000	$0	Yes		Yes
544	Tampa Covenant Church	Tampa	FL	Florida and the Caribbean	$1,348,932	$1,323,447	$1,609,788	$15,577	$31,154	$0	$142,475						
545	Terrace Heights Evangelical Presbyterian Church &	Yakima	WA	Pacific Northwest	$96,500		$115,000	$0	$1,000	$900		$0	$0	$0		Yes	
546	The Antioch Movement	Ypsilanti	MI	Midwest	$75,213	$74,750	$69,239	$0	$195	$0							
547	The Avenue Community Church +	Memphis	TN	Central South	$684,000	$846,735	$749,497	$0	$0	$1,210	$18,862	$0	$0	$0			
548	The Branch &+	Ashland	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$183,822	$181,824	$180,680	$0	$2,957	$0		$0	$0	$0			
549	The Bridge North County +	Ferguson	MO	Mid-America	$358,000	$460,107	$468,700	$0		$0	$600						
550	The Church at Ridgebury &	State Hill	NY	East	$89,089	$89,089	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
551	The Crossing	Columbia	MO	Mid-America		$15,600,000	$14,300,000	$2,200		$8,400							
552	The Elm Church EPC *&	Elmhurst	NY	East				$0		$0							

553	The Fellowship of Christ	Cary	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$528,936	$560,361	$588,387	$2,454	$4,908	$15,225	$41,666	$0	$0	$0			
554	The Presbyterian Church of Portersville	Portersville	PA	Alleghenies	$260,295	$253,837	$196,117	$2,984	$6,266	$0	$47,208	$0	$0	$0			
555	The SOMA Gathering	Beaver Falls	PA	Alleghenies	$135,935	$126,435	$144,000	$1,252	$1,200	$0	$6,655						
556	The Table Dallas	Carrollton	TX	Gulf South	$190,516	$191,366	$187,516	$1,000	$1,200	$0	$12,000		$3,600	$6,500		Yes	Yes
557	The Table Project *	Denver	CO	West				$0		$0							
558	The Village Church of St. George &+	St. George	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$51,330	$54,840	$35,590	$0		$616	$3,510						
559	Thompson Valley Presbyterian Church	Tazewell	VA	New River	$6,000	$41,969	$35,333	$419	$838	$0	$5,798						
560	Three Timbers Church	Bennington	NE	Great Plains	$223,967	$217,108	$288,383	$0	$0	$0	$7,975	$0	$0	$0			
561	Threshold Church	Matthews	NC	Central Carolinas	$607,290	$635,855	$756,552	$4,008	$4,008	$5,400	$38,404						
562	Trinity EPC	Chillicothe	MO	Mid-America	$9,175	$9,143	$10,340	$0		$0							
563	Trinity Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Florence	SC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$1,055,048	$1,301,272	$908,040	$9,807	$12,259	$38,500	$163,012	$24,000	$0	$0			Yes
564	Trinity Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Loganville	GA	Southeast				$0		$0							
565	Trinity Presbyterian Church *	Sparta	IL	Rivers and Lakes				$2,170		$0							
566	Trinity Presbyterian Church	Texarkana	TX	Gulf South	$124,488	$71,488	$135,606	$200	$975	$0	$15,151	$0	$0	$0			
567	Trinity Presbyterian Church Columbia City	Columbia City	IN	Midwest		$346,523	$368,990	$0		$0		$0	$0	$0			
568	Trinity Presbyterian Church Plymouth	Plymouth	MI	Midwest	$1,829,443	$1,897,856	$1,844,556	$13,156	$6,279	$37,689	$190,256	$0	$25,000	$0		Yes	
569	Trion Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Trion	GA	Southeast	$97,452	$96,144	$70,885	$800	$4,247	$1,997	$6,176	$0	$0	$0			
570	Tunica Presbyterian Church	Tunica	MS	Central South	$625,000	$600,000	$455,000	$5,050	$50,000	$9,000	$100,000	$25,000	$11,000	$12,500			Yes
571	Turner County Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Davis	SD	Great Plains	$70,108	$70,108	$57,600	$545	$1,240	$0	$5,720	$750	$750				Yes
572	Twin Tiers EPC	Big Flats	NY	East	$77,724	$77,724	$102,905	$1,173	$3,179	$1,242	$9,058	$1,248	$0	$0			
573	Union Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Kirkwood	PA	East	$180,890	$147,647	$188,338	$0	$1,806	$0	$8,168						
574	Unionville Presbyterian Church	Butler	PA	Alleghenies		$91,728	$71,490	$1,932	$3,600	$1,600	$8,346						
575	United Presbyterian Church of Amberg	Amberg	WI	Rivers and Lakes	$36,073	$33,758	$30,874	$253	$2,400	$2,200	$1,000	$0	$0	$0			
576	Unity Memorial Presbyterian Church	Liberty	MS	Gulf South	$34,639	$29,221	$24,574	$275	$451	$0	$200	$0	$0	$0			

												Church Planting					
	Church	City	State	Presbytery	Income to General Operating fund	Tithes and Offerings	Local Program and Operating Expenses	POI 2025	Presbytery Giving	WO Giving 2025	Non-EPC Missions and Outreach Giving	Presbytery Church Plants	Direct to EPC	Direct to Non-EPC	Parent	Partner	Patron
577	Upper Octorara Presbyterian Church	Parkesburg	PA	East	$263,281	$375,994	$248,469	$2,849	$3,106	$1,600	$124,745	$0	$0	$0			
578	Valley Community Church	San Jacinto	CA	Pacific Southwest	$161,829	$161,829	$196,068	$0	$650	$0	$43,249						
579	Valley Hope Church &	Swannanoa	NC	Central Carolinas	$841,477	$1,670,291	$699,096	$7,895	$9,868	$26,792	$419,610		$31,920		Yes		
580	Valleybrook Presbyterian Church	Hixson	TN	Southeast	$175,557	$172,157	$162,379	$1,596	$7,896	$3,600	$5,711	$0	$0	$0			
581	Venice Presbyterian Church	McDonald	PA	Alleghenies	$312,239	$257,248	$250,095	$0	$3,893	$0	$40,165						
582	Vernal Presbyterian Church	Lucedale	MS	Gulf South				$0		$0							
583	Victoria Presbyterian Church +	Victoria	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$34,975	$31,586	$26,371	$273	$921	$0	$2,011	$0	$0	$0			
584	Village Church	Charlotte	NC	Central Carolinas	$105,900	$105,900	$106,441	$750	$750	$2,400	$27,548	$0	$0	$0			
585	Vineyard Church Auburn *&+	Auburn	AL	Central South				$0		$3,000						Yes	Yes
586	Wabash Church	Auburn	WA	Pacific Northwest	$762,912	$717,019	$563,666	$8,065	$17,908	$2,000	$67,824	$0	$0	$0			
587	Wabash Presbyterian Church at Orio	Allendale	IL	Rivers and Lakes	$207,622	$231,851	$207,927	$3,948	$4,000	$0	$31,259	$0	$0	$0			
588	Walkers Evangelical Presbyterian Church *	Pamplin	VA	New River				$1,319		$7,541							
589	Walkersville Presbyterian Church	Waxhaw	NC	Central Carolinas		$211,870	$221,354	$1,659	$3,459	$50	$46,180						
590	Walnut Grove Presbyterian Church ^	Butler	MO	Mid-America	$17,731	$17,731	$22,926	$660	$1,192	$0	$2,211	$0	$0	$0			
591	Ward Church	Northville	MI	Midwest	$5,046,125	$5,789,234	$8,320,968	$48,498	$19,448	$127,533	$573,792	$0	$29,500	$0		Yes	
592	Warehouse 242	Charlotte	NC	Central Carolinas	$890,929	$861,205	$812,335	$3,744		$0	$52,713	$0	$0	$0			
593	Warm Springs Presbyterian Church	Warm Springs	VA	New River	$242,901	$242,901	$239,719	$2,136	$4,273	$0	$13,099	$0	$0	$0			
594	Warrenton Presbyterian Church	Abbeville	SC	Central Carolinas	$70,596	$62,500	$71,805	$0	$702	$1,800	$12,670	$0	$0	$0			
595	Warsaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Warsaw	IN	Midwest	$860,540	$1,068,835	$957,599	$11,370	$13,359	$30,250	$104,400	$0	$3,600	$0			Yes
596	Water Stone Presbyterian Church *&+	Smyrna	GA	Southeast				$0		$0							
597	Wayside Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Cameron	NC	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$61,826	$59,179	$28,670	$1,212	$2,423	$0	$2,000	$0	$0	$0			
598	Wesley Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Weems	VA	Coastal Mid-Atlantic	$70,237	$70,237	$59,390	$709	$1,596	$0	$1,100	$0	$0	$0			
599	Westminster Church of Port Huron	Port Huron	MI	Midwest	$140,202	$139,146	$126,896	$874	$1,368	$6,000	$19,656	$0	$6,000	$0		Yes	
600	Westminster Presbyterian Church &	Bluefield	WV	New River	$382,205	$382,205	$289,495	$0		$20,435	$24,000						
601	Westminster Presbyterian Church &	Burlington	NC	New River	$137,889	$137,889	$139,324	$1,200	$2,400	$2,811	$6,716	$0	$0	$0			
602	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Enid	OK	Great Plains	$218,640	$218,640	$218,640	$3,000	$3,000	$0	$30,000	$0	$2,000	$0			Yes
603	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Gulfport	MS	Gulf South	$331,763	$315,071	$279,631	$3,130	$1,936	$900	$20,711	$0	$0	$0			
604	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Laurel	MS	Gulf South	$1,408,092	$1,249,091	$1,377,641	$13,361	$4,112	$9,450	$212,151		$25,000			Yes	Yes
605	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Lubbock	TX	West	$1,162,704	$1,125,984	$1,127,820	$0	$2,875	$250	$25,856						
606	Wheat Ridge Evangelical Presbyterian Church	West Union	OH	Midwest	$37,531	$37,521	$26,638	$369	$1,966	$500	$6,097	$0	$0	$0			
607	Wiggins Presbyterian Church	Wiggins	MS	Gulf South		$134,900	$121,900	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0			
608	Wilson Station Presbyterian Church	Englewood	TN	Southeast	$40,032	$22,483	$37,013	$0	$463	$0	$1,500	$0	$0	$0			
609	Windy Gap Presbyterian Church	West Finley	PA	Alleghenies	$29,740	$113,820	$159,713	$1,709	$4,000	$2,400	$24,711	$0	$600	$0			
610	Wintersburg Presbyterian Church	Santa Ana	CA	Pacific Southwest				$9,600		$0		$0	$0	$0			
611	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Memphis	TN	Central South	$5,577	$478,300	$474,284	$0	$2,500	$13,000	$11,631			$5,000			Yes
612	Woodland Presbyterian Church	New Orleans	LA	Gulf South	$443,981	$443,981	$475,373	$2,392	$1,664	$0	$43,336	$0	$0	$0			
613	Woodland Presbyterian Church	Woodland	WA	Pacific Northwest	$178,173	$172,403	$279,224	$2,402	$5,974	$6,500	$15,755	$1,000	$0	$0			Yes
614	Woodlands Presbyterian Church	Hot Springs Village	AR	Central South	$287,358	$278,751	$284,448	$2,342	$1,955	$0	$34,085						Yes

615	Woodside Presbyterian Church *&	Roanoke	VA	New River				$0		$0							
616	Wooton Presbyterian Church (EPC), Inc.	Wooton	KY	Southeast	$35,045	$33,780	$39,590	$367	$1,067	$0	$2,500		$294				
617	Wylliesburg Evangelical Presbyterian Church ^	Wylliesburg	VA	New River	$87,191	$50,337	$54,903	$0	$750	$0	$4,123	$0	$0	$0			
618	Yokena Presbyterian Church *	Vicksburg	MS	Gulf South				$0		$0							
619	Zion Evangelical Presbyterian Church	Alton	IL	Rivers and Lakes	$2,067	$69,921	$26,282	$0	$0	$0	$3,950						
	TOTAL				**$363,038,897**	**$394,911,804**	**$374,098,813**	**$2,429,333**	**$4,023,454**	**$3,960,082**	**$46,325,365**	**$480,400**	**$3,529,824**	**$2,544,861**	**28**	**69**	**150**

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