

Brothers and Sisters:

Welcome to the 45th General Assembly / Gospel Priorities Summit. Our theme this year is “*Firm Foundation*” based on 1 Corinthians 3:11, “For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.” We are so glad you are here!

This *Commissioner’s Handbook* includes two sections:

1. “Preliminaries,” which provides important introductory material to help familiarize you with our time together, and
2. “Matters Received and Referred.” This is the business the Assembly will address. Other documents, such as the *Rules for Assembly*, committee reports, audited financial statements, and more are available at <http://www.epconnect.org/ga2025documents>.

To get a good overview of the work of our beloved family of churches over the past year, read the Moderator’s Report, National Leadership Team Report, and my report. These three reports are at the end of the Preliminary section. I encourage you to read all the reports and recommendations coming before this Assembly, especially those of the Standing Committee on which you are serving.

With a great amount of love, intention, and hard work, we have designed our General Assembly to be much more than an annual meeting to conduct church business. We have numerous opportunities for equipping, edification, and worship. I hope you’ll join me in praying that the God of grace and peace will send His power on us during our time together as we stand together on the Firm Foundation that is Jesus Christ. To be together in such a celebration at our founding congregation, Ward Church, makes this a historic assembly!

Coram Deo,



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Stated Clerk