

MINUTES



OF THE

Tennessee-Alabama Presbytery

of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

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The Tennessee-Alabama (TN/AL) Presbytery of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church convened for its Fall Stated Meeting on September 16, 2016, at the New Days Mission in Duluth, Gwinnett County, Georgia. Presbyters gathered at 3:00 p.m. and were led in prayer by the Moderator of the Presbytery; Rev. Bryan Bult.

A quorum was established and Presbyters broke into their respective committees to do the work of Presbytery. After committee meetings, the Presbyters and guests enjoyed a meal in New Days's Fellowship Hall.

At 7:00 p.m., the Presbyters, guests, and congregants of the New Days Mission gathered together for worship. A sermon was delivered by Mr. Matthew Atteberry (Ordinand), and the sacrament of communion was observed.

FRIDAY BUSINESS SESSION

Moderator Bult called the Presbytery to order at 8:15 p.m. and led the Court in prayer. Greetings on behalf of the host church were delivered by Mr. Young Choi. The roll was constituted with a quorum present as follows:

<u>Church</u>	<u>Minister</u>	<u>Ruling Elder Delegate</u>
Bethel (AL)	<i>vacant pulpit</i>	
Camden (AL)	<i>vacant pulpit</i>	
Cleveland Street (MS)	<i>vacant pulpit</i>	
Connections (AL)	Matthew Atteberry *	Wesley Floyd
Fayetteville (TN)	Bryan Bult	Chuck Patrick
Hanmaum Mission (AL)	Soo Young Kim	<i>not applicable</i>
Hopewell (TN)	Buddy Roberts	Jim Patterson
In Christ Mission (CA)		<i>not applicable</i>
Joyfull Church (CA)	Man Park	
Lincoln Memorial (TN)	Jeff Townsley	
Madison-Monrovia (AL)		
Pressly Memorial (AL)	P. J. McClung	Fred Hartin

ROLL (continued)

<u>Church</u>	<u>Minister</u>	<u>Ruling Elder Delegate</u>
Prosperity (AL)	<i>vacant pulpit</i>	Bernard Sanderson
Prosperity (TN)	Dana Crowell	Stanley Keith
Riverside (AL)	Greg Duke	Jon Dunaway
	Keun Joon Ryu (New Days)	
	Charles Edgar (<i>retired</i>)	
	Bob Illman (<i>retired</i>)	

* Student Supply

The Moderator and Stated Clerk noted that we did not have a quorum during the Summer Adjourned Meeting at Bonclarken.

M/S/C - The the actions and decisions of the Summer Adjourned Meeting be ratified.

M/S/C - That TN/AL Presbytery approve and receive the minutes from the Spring and Summer Adjourned meeting 2016.

Privilege of the floor was given to Rev. Mike Jones (Director of Outreach North America) who spoke of our new ARP Mission Developments throughout the US, introduced ONA's new Refugee Coordinator, and presented evangelism statistics from Ed Stetzer.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Cleveland Street: Elder Tom Neve rose to speak on behalf of the Commission of Presbytery that was assigned to address the concerns of Cleveland Street ARP Church in New Albany, MS.

M/S/C - To release or discharge Cleveland Street ARP from the Tennessee-Alabama Presbytery and the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Synod. Furthermore we will have no interest in any financial, real or miscellaneous property. This action is conditioned upon their local church obtaining a separate federal tax ID number, a state withholding tax ID number, new Articles of Incorporation and an unrecorded deed that when recorded would transfer the real property to their new church corporation. Additionally we would require a copy of their IRS approval as a 501(c)3 tax exempt non-profit corporation. All expenses are to be the responsibility of that local church. Their attorney is also to

prepare a hold harmless agreement releasing the presbytery and ARP denomination from any claims or liabilities associated with their request for withdrawal from the ARP. Copies of all of the required forms are to be in our hands by December 31, 2016.

M/S/C - To establish a Commission to finalize any details related to the Cleveland Street Church.

The Cleveland Street Commission members are: Rev. PJ McClung, Rev. Charles Edgar, Mr. Tom Neve, and Mr. Wesley Floyd.

501c3 Status of Presbytery: This Moderator's Committee is to be further established. Rev. Bob Illman, Dave Rentschler, and Mr. Rob Nelson have agreed to serve. The Moderator will add additional members. An update is to be given at the Spring Meeting 2017.

The Stated Clerk Presented the program.

M/S/C - To receive the program as presented.

M/S/C - To establish a Moderator's Committee to assist the Clerk with Congregational Records. Jon Dunaway volunteered to serve on the committee and the Moderator will assign additional members.

The following guests were presented to the Court: Mrs. Melissa Atteberry, Mrs. Donna McClung, Mrs. Jan Sanderson, Mrs. Joyce Edgar, and Mrs. Meghan Dunaway.

COMMUNIATIONS

The Clerk presented requests to be excused from Rev. Garret Aldridge, Rev. Barney Heyward, Rev. Roy Hulling, Rev. Pablo Song, and Rev. Soon Hwang.

Letters were presented from Bethel Church and the Forever Love Church congregations in Los Angeles concerning their desire to join TN/AL Presbytery.

The Clerk forwarded an email from the General Synod to members of TN/AL Presbytery concerning a proposed amendment to the Form of Government 5.11. This was received by the Court and is to be voted on during the Stated Spring Meeting of TN/AL Presbytery.

Dr. Charles Edgar rose and read a letter to the Court that was sent to Minister and His Work Committee from Rev. Buddy Roberts. The letter outlined Rev. Roberts's movement toward retirement from Hopewell ARP in Culleoka, TN.

TREASURERS REPORT

The Treasurer being absent, the Clerk gave a brief report on Presbytery's finances.

M/S/C - that the Treasurer's Report be received as presented.

It was requested that a copy of the Treasurer's Reports be included in all meeting minutes.

NEW BUSINESS

M/S/C - To receive the information concerning changes and amendments to Tennessee-Alabama's Manual of Procedure.

It was mentioned that per Section XI of the current Manual of Procedures, the changes and amendments will be placed before the Court for a vote at the Spring 2017 meeting.

M/S/C - To adjourn for the evening.

The Friday evening meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

SATURDAY BUSINESS SESSION

A quorum having been established, the meeting was called to order at 8:30AM. The Court resumed its business following a brief devotional that was given by Rev. Bob Illman..

COMMITTEE REPORTS

OUTREACH TN/AL

Rev. Greg Duke rose to give a report from the Outreach TN/AL Committee. It was noted that a group of believers in Auburn, AL has expressed interest in beginning a new church in that area. An update will be given at the Spring 2017 meeting.

Bob Illman ascended the dais and spoke about Tennessee-Alabama's ongoing relationship with New Days Church and Pastor Keun Joon Ryu who is a member in good standing with of Tennessee-Alabama Presbytery.

M/S/C - In accordance with section 11.4 of the the FOG, the Presbytery grant Mission status to New Days Church. That the Presbytery issue a call to Rev K. J. RYU as mission developer. That a provisional session made up of Greg Duke, Jeff Townsley, Tom Neve and Wesley Floyd be appointed to oversee the Church and train Elders looking forward to New Days becoming an organized congregation in the future. That title to New Days Church PROPERTY be vested in the Presbytery in accordance with section 11.10C of the FOG. That the TN/AL Outreach Committee notify the Outreach Committee of Second Presbytery of our actions.

It was mentioned that the Bethel and The Forever Love Missions in Los Angeles, CA will be considered for membership in our Spring Stated Meeting.

Rev. Duke recommended that Presbyters order and read Blair and Hunt's book, "*The Korean Pentecost and the Sufferings Which Followed*" [ISBN-10: 0851512445] reprinted by The Banner of Truth Publishing to learn more about our Korean brothers spiritual and Presbyterian heritage.

Chairman Duke mentioned that he will begin placing ads inviting Church Planters to consider planting in TN/AL various Presbyterian and Reformed Seminaries and Denominational Websites.

M/S/C - That the Committee's report be received.
The Court recessed to complete committee work.

The Court reconvened at 10:40AM and heard from Mr. Steve Nichols from the *ARP Foundation*. Mr. Nichols gave a brief report on the various investment options available for charitable giving, and presented a confidential "Lifestyle Giving" assessment and planning tool. Mrs. Joyce Edgar gave a brief update on TN/AL Presbytery's perpetual Nursing Scholarship fund for the Nursing School in Sahiwal Pakistan. To date we have raised approximately \$11,000.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Rev. Dana Crowell gave the report of the Christian Education Committee. There were no actionable items. However, the Committee mentioned that churches would profit greatly from resources available at Christian Education Ministries of the ARP.

M/S/C - That the Committee's report be received.

MINISTER AND HIS WORK

Dr. Edgar gave the committee report. An update was given on the possibility of receiving Pastors Park and Bong from the former Pacific Presbytery of the ARPC. These men will be examined during the 2017 Spring Meeting of Presbytery.

Having successfully completed requirements for ordination, Matthew Atteberry stood for his floor examination for Ordination on the floor of Presbytery.

M/S/C - That Mr. Matthew Atteberry's examination be sustained. *The vote was unanimous.*

A Call to serve at Connections Presbyterian Church (Madison, AL) was extended to Mr. Atteberry. The Commission to ordain and install Mr. Matthew Atteberry will be Dr. Charles Edgar, Rev. Soo Kim, and two Ruling Elders from Connections Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Edgar then presented Mr. Sanggyun Oh who gave testimony of his faith in Christ, and expressed his inward call to pursue full-time ministry in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.

M/S/C - That Mr. Sanggyun Oh be brought under care of TN/AL as a Student of Theology.

Dr. Edgar asked Mr. Oh the questions from FOG 9.20. The Moderator gave a brief charge and a prayer of thanksgiving was given.

M/S/C - That the Committee's report be received.

STEWARDSHIP

Rev. PJ McClung reported that the overall giving to the Denomination Ministry Fund from churches in TN/AL Presbytery has significantly improved over the past year.

M/S/C - That the Committee's report be received.

SESSIONAL RECORDS

Mr. Chuck Patrick reported that Sessional Records were presented for review from Connections ARP, Hopewell ARP, Pressly Memorial ARP, and Riverside ARP. These were received and found to be in order.

The Moderator reminded the Court that all Sessional Records are to be presented regularly at the Fall Stated Meeting. Those who fail to do so should bring them to the following spring meeting. *It was noted that those who review and approve Sessional Records should clearly print and sign their name, and that the Moderator is to sign off on all Committee approved Sessional Records per our Manual of Procedure.*

NOMINATIONS

Fred Hartin rose and gave a report from the Nominations Committee.

M/S/C - That Rev. Jeff Townsley be appointed to serve on the Outreach TN/AL Committee through (2020)

M/S/C - That Rev. Man Park be appointed to serve on the Outreach TN/AL Committee through (2020)

M/S/C - That Rev. Daniel Song be appointed to serve on the Minister and His Work Committee through (2020)

M/S/C - That Rev. Soo Hwang be appointed to serve on Christian Education Committee through (2018)

M/S/C - That Mr. Wesley Floyd be appointed to serve on Christian Education Committee through 2020

M/S/C - That Rev. Soo Kim be appointed to serve on Christian Education Committee through 2020

M/S/C - That Rev. PJ McClung be appointed to serve on Stewardship Committee through 2020

M/S/C - That Rev. Greg Duke be appointed to serve as Stated Clerk through 2020

M/S/C - That the report of the Nomination Committee be received

The following Nomination was made from the floor of Presbytery.

M/S/C - That Mr. Jim Patterson serve on the Nominations Committee through 2020

M/S/C - That Mr. Chuck Patrick serve on the Nominations Committee through 2020

M/S/C - That Rev. Bryan Bult serve on the Nominations Committee through 2020

M/S/C - That Mr. Bernard Sanderson serve as Moderator Elect

RESOLUTIONS

The Resolutions Report was given during dinner.

Brief discussion was held concerning changes to Tennessee Alabama's Manual of Procedure. The proposed changes were received by the Court and will be considered at the Spring meeting.

Moderator Bryan Bult announced that the next meeting of Presbytery will be held March 17-18, 2017 at Pressly Memorial Presbyterian Church in Red Level, AL. The Fall Meeting 2017 is to be held at Fayetteville ARP. Riverside ARP will host Presbytery in the Spring of 2018.

The Presbytery then entered into a season of prayer.

M/S/C - To adjourn.

The meeting closed with the singing of Psalm 133 led by Dr. Charles Edgar, and the Benediction was given by Rev. Bryan Bult.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. J. Gregory Duke
Stated Clerk

Moderator: _____

(Printed Name)

(Signature)

Date Approved: _____

Tennessee-Alabama Presbytery of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church



OFFICERS OF PRESBYTERY

(2018) Moderator Mr. Jim Patterson
(2018) Vice-Moderator Mr. Bernard Sanderson
(2020) Stated Clerk Rev. Greg Duke
(2017) Treasurer Rev. Roy Hulling
(2018) Parliamentarian Rev. Greg Duke

STANDING COMMITTEES

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

(2017) Ms. Jane Shelton Dale
(2017) Rev. Soo Kim
(2017) Mr. Bernard Sanderson
(2018) Mr. Nathan Jaeger
(2018) Rev. Soo Hwang
(2020) Mr. Wesley Floyd

OUTREACH TENNESSEE ALABAMA

(2017) Rev. Barney Heyward
(2017) Mr. John Lampkin
(2018) Rev. Greg Duke (C)
(2020) Rev. Keun Joon Ryu
(2020) Rev. Man Park
(2020) Rev. Jeff Townsley

MINISTER AND HIS WORK

(2017) Mr. Max Baggett
(2017) Rev. Buddy Roberts
(2018) Rev. P.J. McClung
(2019) Rev. Charles Edgar (C)
(2020) Rev. Daniel Song

STEWARDSHIP

(2017) Mr. Rob Nelson
(2019) Rev. Barney Heyward
(2019) Mr. Jon Dunaway
(2020) Mr. Dave Rentschler
(2020) Rev. P.J. McClung (C)

NOMINATIONS

(2018) Rev. Dana Crowell
(2019) Mr. Fred Hartin (C)
(2020) Rev. Bryan Bult
(2020) Mr. Chuck Patrick
(2020) Mr. Jim Patterson

PRESBYTERY TRUSTEES

(2017) Mr. Jim Kidd
(2018) Rev. Dana Crowell
(2019) Mr. Jim Patterson

TN/AL Presbytery Treasurer Report: Fall Meeting, September 16, 2016

Transaction	Date 2016	Income (not designated)	Designated Income	Debit	Balance
Balance Forward, Spring 2016 Meeting	3/20				\$11,001.08
Pressly Mem ck#8149 – Presb. Dues	4/1	\$222			\$11,223.08
Pressly Mem ck#8179 for Hanmaum	4/3		\$150		\$11,373.08
Pressly Mem ck#8180 for Riverside	4/3		\$150		\$11,523.08
Check #174 to Hanmaum; Pressly Mem gift	4/23			\$150	\$11,373.08
Check #175 to Riverside; Pressly Mem gift	4/23			\$150	\$11,223.08
Check #176 to ARP Nursing Endowment Fund; Spring Meeting vote, Per C.&J. Edgar	4/23			\$1000	\$10,223.08
Pressly Mem ck#8198 for Hanmaum	5/10		\$150		\$10,373.08
Pressly Mem ck#8199 for Riverside	5/10		\$150		\$10,523.08
Check #177 to Hanmaum; Pressly Mem gift	5/10			\$150	\$10,373.08
Check #178 to Riverside; Pressly Mem gift	5/10			\$150	\$10,223.08
Pressly Mem ck#8249 for Hanmaum	6/11		\$150		\$10,373.08
Pressly Mem ck#8250 for Riverside	6/11		\$150		\$10,523.08
Check #179 to Hanmaum; Pressly Mem gift	6/11			\$150	\$10,373.08
Check #180 to Riverside; Pressly Mem gift	6/11			\$150	\$10,223.08
Hanmaum ck#2115 Dues	6/11	\$100			\$10,323.08
Pressly Mem ck#8267 for Riverside music	7/1		\$300		\$10,623.08
Pressly Mem ck#8279 for Hanmaum	7/7		\$150		\$10,773.08
Pressly Mem ck#8280 for Riverside	7/7		\$150		\$10,923.08
Check #181 to Hanmaum; Pressly Mem gift	7/7			\$150	\$10,773.08
Check #182 to Riverside; Pressly Mem gifts	7/7			\$450	\$10,323.08
Prosperity AL ck#1497 Dues	8/5	\$54			\$10,377.08
Pressly Mem ck#8311 for Hanmaum	8/5		\$150		\$10,527.08
Pressly Mem ck#8312 for Riverside	8/5		\$150		\$10,677.08
Check #184 to Hanmaum; Pressly Mem gift	8/5			\$150	\$10,527.08
Check #184 to Riverside; Pressly Mem gift	8/5			\$150	\$10,377.08
ATM to Publix: envelopes, stamps	8/5			\$12.05	\$10,365.03

Transaction	Date 2016	Income (not designated)	Designated Income	Debit	Balance
Pressly Mem ck#8349 for Hanmaum	9/8		\$150		\$10,515.03
Pressly Mem ck#8350 for Riverside	9/8		\$150		\$10,665.03
Check #185 to Hanmaum; Pressly Mem gift	9/8			\$150	\$10,515.03
Check #186 to Hanmaum; Pressly Mem gift	9/8			\$150	\$10,365.03
New Days Church ck\$ 0097795681	9/8	\$1500			\$11,865.03
Check #187 – VOID –					\$11,865.03
Check #188 to Thomas Neve, Lunch/ gas for Cleve. St. trip, per T. Neve	9/8			\$95.41	\$11,769.59
Balance, Fall 2016 Meeting	9/16				\$11,769.59

Activity Summaries

Six Months Activity — 2016 Spring Meeting of Presb. to 2016 Fall Meeting of Presb.:

Income (not designated) : \$1876
Designated Income: \$2100
Total Income (not desig + desig): \$3976
Total Expenditures: **(\$3207.46)**
Net (Income – Expenditures): \$768.54

Six Months Activity — 2015 Fall Meeting of Presb. to 2016 Spring Meeting of Presb.:

Income (not designated) : \$5205
Designated Income: \$1800
Total Income (not desig + desig): \$7005
Total Expenditures: **(\$4200)**
Net (Income – Expenditures): \$2805

One Year Activity — 2015 Fall Meeting of Presb. to 2016 Fall Meeting of Presb.:

Income (not designated): \$8023
Designated Income: \$3600
Total Income (not desig + desig): \$10,981
Total Expenditures: **(\$7407.46)**
Net (Income – Expenditures): \$3573.54

Past Activity Summaries

Balance Forward (3/13)	\$6974.91
Transfer (from Muscle Shoals, 3/13)	<u>\$8000</u>
Balance Total (3/13)	\$14,974.91

Six Months Activity — 2013 Spring Meeting of Presb. to 2013 Fall Meeting of Presb.:

Income (not designated):	\$5000
Designated Income:	<u>\$3913</u>
Total Income (not desig + desig):	\$8913
Total Expenditures:	<u>(\$13,337.83)</u>
Net (Income – Expenditures):	<u>(\$4424.83)</u>

Six Months Activity — 2013 Fall Meeting of Presb. to 2014 Spring Meeting of Presb.:

Income (not designated) :	\$3586
Designated Income:	<u>\$3500</u>
Total Income (not desig + desig):	\$7086
Total Expenditures:	<u>(\$9100)</u>
Net (Income – Expenditures):	<u>(\$2014)</u>

Six Months Activity — 2014 Spring Meeting of Presb. to 2014 Fall Meeting of Presb.:

Income (not designated) :	\$3681
Designated Income:	<u>\$4800</u>
Total Income (not desig + desig):	\$8481
Total Expenditures:	<u>(\$8200)</u>
Net (Income – Expenditures):	\$281

Six Months Activity — 2014 Fall Meeting of Presb. to 2015 Spring Meeting of Presb.:

Income (not designated) :	\$1561
Designated Income:	<u>\$1800</u>
Total Income (not desig + desig):	\$3361
Total Expenditures:	<u>(\$4200)</u>
Net (Income – Expenditures):	<u>(\$839)</u>

Six Months Activity — 2015 Spring Meeting of Presb. to 2015 Fall Meeting of Presb.:

Income (not designated) :	\$2818
Designated Income:	<u>\$1800</u>
Total Income (not desig + desig):	\$4618
Total Expenditures:	<u>(\$4400)</u>
Net (Income – Expenditures):	\$218

Six Months Activity — 2015 Fall Meeting of Presb. to 2016 Spring Meeting of Presb.:

Income (not designated) :	\$5205
Designated Income:	<u>\$1800</u>
Total Income (not desig + desig):	\$7005
Total Expenditures:	<u>(\$4200)</u>
Net (Income – Expenditures):	\$2805