

The Minutes Of Mississippi Valley Presbytery

General Synod of the
Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church



Fall Stated Meeting

October 6, 2020

Providence Reformed Church
Bartlett, Tennessee

Called Meeting

August 18, 2020

Called Meeting

December 8, 2020

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PROCEEDINGS
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY
Providence Reformed Church
Bartlett, Tennessee

Fall Stated Meeting
October 6, 2020

The registration of delegates began at 8:45 a.m. on Tuesday, October 6, 2020. Because of concerns over COVID-19, the Fall Stated Meeting of Mississippi Valley Presbytery had been rescheduled as a one-day meeting and moved to the Providence Reformed Church in Bartlett, Tennessee. The meeting began with an opening worship service led by Rev. Charles Covington, Moderator of Mississippi Valley Presbytery. (see **Appendix A**). Rev. Covington preached a sermon from 1 Peter 2:4-12, entitled “Standing Stones.” Rev. Joe Donahue, pastor of the Providence Reformed Church then led the presbytery in the celebration of the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper.

Following the worship service and a brief recess, Moderator Covington opened the business portion of the meeting with prayer. Elder David Strock welcomed the members of presbytery to the meeting.

The Stated Clerk confirmed a quorum was present.

Ministers Present

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|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Thomas Braithwaite (<i>E</i>) | Steve Hardy (<i>E</i>) |
| Ron Brunson (<i>E</i>) | Gary Jones |
| Meredith Cavin (<i>E</i>) | Matthew Heathman* |
| Conrad Cheatham (<i>E</i>) | Kent Moorlach |
| Mike Chipman | Christopher Neiswonger |
| Gary Clowers | Tim Phillips |
| James Coad III* | Brian Taylor |
| Alex Coblentz | Charles Todd (<i>E</i>) |
| Charles Covington | John Tucker (<i>E</i>) |
| Joey Donahue | Don Watkins* |
| Bill Everett (<i>E</i>) | Howard Wheeler |
| Michael Garvey (<i>E</i>) | Robert White |
| Jodie Gaston (<i>E</i>) | Mike Yarman (<i>E</i>) |

(A) = Unexcused Absence

(E) Excused Absence

Ruling Elders Present

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Bethany – none | Hickory Springs – none |
| Brighton – John Scott | Hopewell – Charles Browning* |
| Ebenezer – none | Midlane Park – none |
| Ellisville – none | Mt. Zion – none |
| Elsberry – none | New Albany – Shelby Lowery |
| Faith – none | New Geneva – none |
| French Camp – Lance Ragsdale | Pottsville – none |
| Gospel of Grace – Aaron Rozeboom* | Providence – David Strock |
| Graceview – none | Richland – none |
| Gum Tree – Carl Patterson | Salem – none |
| Helena – none | Sharon – none |
| Hernando – Steve Rice | Wood Avenue -- none |

Guests

Ron Pierce (stated supply)*, David Dively (stated supply)*, Stephen Ewing (Student of Theology; Chair of Christian Education Committee), Marty Smithhart (Student of Theology), Bobby Reedy, William Holiman, Daniel Brown

*These individuals were not physically present but joined the meeting via Zoom Meeting and were counted as present by the Moderator with the agreement of the court.

The following procedural motions were presented to the court by the Reading Clerk and adopted without objection:

- That each minister or ruling elder delegate who has contacted the clerk requesting an excused absence from this meeting of presbytery be granted an excused absence.
- That honorably retired ministers not in attendance be granted an excused absence.
- That each minister and ruling elder delegate who must leave this meeting of presbytery before adjournment and who submits a request for an excused absence from the remaining portion of the meeting of presbytery be granted an excused absence.
- That ministers of other presbyteries of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church or other Christian denominations, who have been registered with the clerk for this meeting, may be seated as consultative members of the presbytery in accordance with the FOG, Chapter XII.C.3.
- That clergy and/or laity who represent institutions or agencies related to the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church who have registered with the clerk for this meeting be invited to sit with the presbytery and be granted the privilege of the floor.

The agenda for the meeting was approved by the presbytery (see **Appendix A**).

The Spring 2020 Minutes were adopted by the presbytery.

John Scott, an elder at Brighton ARP Church, was nominated as Moderator-elect of presbytery. There were no more nominations, and Mr. Scott was elected by acclamation.

Under unfinished business, a second reading of a report from the Special Committee on Session Records was considered. This would involve the following change of rules for the presbytery:

- Change from having a moderator's committee to having a standing committee to review sessional records. The committee would consist of five (5) members: three (3) ministers and two (2) elders
- Request that churches that have electronic/digital minutes email those to the committee chairman two weeks prior to the meeting of presbytery (minutes will still need to be brought to presbytery so that they can be stamped and signed, but they would not need to be read again)
- As part of its work, the standing committee meet prior to the start of business of presbytery (i.e., Monday afternoon of the meeting), and request that churches turn in session books for review when they register for presbytery on Monday. Any books that are turned in later can be reviewed at 10 am on Tuesday during committee meetings.
- The committee would pass along anything of note in its report to the Minister and His Work Committee for consideration.
- That a checklist of items to be reviewed in minutes be approved.

A motion was made to postpone the vote on the second reading until the Spring 2021 meeting of presbytery (seconded). There was discussion. A vote was taken, and the motion failed. After further discussion on the original item of business, the question was called (seconded, passed). The change in rules of presbytery was then approved by the presbytery.

Rev. Steven Carr, a pastor in the Reformed Church in the United States (RCUS) brought greetings to the presbytery. The Moderator called upon Mr. Stephen Ewing to pray for the RCUS.

The Treasurer's Report was presented to the presbytery (see **Appendix B**). Mr. Stephen Ewing, Chairman of the Christian Education, noted that the deposit for summer camp was currently being held by Camp of the Rising Son and would be held as a deposit for summer camp in 2021. The lone recommendation of the report (authoring the Treasurer to withdraw funds during 2021 equal to the 2021 budgeted amount and that the Treasurer have the discretion as to the timing of the withdrawals) was noted, seconded, and passed. The report was then adopted as a whole.

The report from the MVP Educational Fund Committee was presented to the presbytery (see **Appendix C**). There was discussion about the fund the report and how the funds could be better utilized by the committee and the presbytery. The report was received as information.

A motion was made to disband the MVP Education Fund Committee and transfer funds to MVP with oversight over the funds being taken up by the Minister and His Work Committee

for Students of Theology (seconded). After discussion, a motion was made to postpone the motion until the Spring 2021 meeting of presbytery so the legalities involved with the fund could be investigated (seconded, passed). The motion to postpone prevailed.

There was no Stewardship Report. It was noted that the Stewardship Chairman Mike Thomason had resigned due to health concerns. A motion was made to adopt a 2021 budget equivalent to the 2020 budget for committee expenses (seconded, passed). Those figures are:

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Minister and His Work: | \$3000 |
| ONA: | \$3000 |
| Stewardship: | \$3000 |
| Christian Education: | \$6500 |
| Total: | \$15,500 |

The ONA Committee Report was presented to the presbytery (see **Appendix D**). Rev. Brian Taylor (chair of the ONA Committee) and Rev. Howard Wheeler spoke about the River City mission budget and the ongoing work in Little Rock, Arkansas. Rev. Taylor also spoke about Mr. Michael Moore, who had been considered as a potential candidate for a church planting work in Louisville, Kentucky (Mr. Moore had been recommended to the ARP Assessment Center by the committee; Mr. Moore did not pass assessment, but was given some items to work on before he could be approved by the Assessment Center for church planting work). After the ONA Committee worked out details outlining a process for Mr. Moore (contained in the report), Mr. Moore withdrew his name from consideration for the work in Louisville.

The recommendation from the report regarding the River City budget was passed. The second recommendation was withdrawn by the committee.

The Principal Clerk expressed concern that Mr. Moore had been recommended to the Assessment Center without presbytery approval. After discussion, a motion was made: *that in the future, all recommendations to the Assessment Center by the ONA Committee first be approved by the presbytery* (seconded).

The order of the day was reached, and Rev. Charles Covington prayed for the meal.

Order of the Day (Lunch – noon)

Presbytery reconvened at 12:45 p.m. with a season of prayer.

The Principal Clerk spoke briefly about the draft for the new *Directory of Private and Family Worship* being proposed by a special committee of Synod. Any suggestions for the new directory may be submitted to the clerk and will be passed along to the committee working on the directory.

Discussion then took place with regard to the motion on the floor (*that in the future, all recommendations to the Assessment Center by the ONA Committee first be approved by the presbytery*). The motion passed.

Rev. Mike Chipman spoke briefly about the Redeemer mission (located in Murray, Kentucky). The church plant celebrated its one anniversary of moving into its new facility. Rev. Chipman also spoke about the role of bi-vocational ministry in church planting.

The Christian Education Committee report was presented to the presbytery (see **Appendix E**). The recommendation in the report (a request for prayer) passed, and the report was adopted by the presbytery. Mr. Stephen Ewing was called upon to pray

The Minister and His Work Committee report was presented to the presbytery (see **Appendix F**). Rev. Bill Holiman was introduced to the presbytery and spoke of his background and his service as a Navy chaplain. After questions from members of the court, recommendation 1 of the report passed.

Rev. Dave Dively spoke with the presbytery via Zoom about his background and his current situation in Louisville. After an opportunity for questions from the floor, recommendation 2 of the report passed.

Recommendation 3 from the report was passed, and the report as a whole was received by the presbytery.

A motion was made to extend Mr. Steven Ewing's status as a Student of Theology past the 5 year restriction in the Form of Government 9.19 (seconded). After discussion, the motion passed.

A motion was made to grant honorary retirement status to Rev. Gary Clowers (seconded, passed). After the motion passed, Rev. Clowers was given permission to address the presbytery with comments related to his retirement and time as a minister in MVP.

The Nominations Committee reported that Paul Walley had agreed to chair the Stewardship Committee and serve out the remainder of Mike Thomason's term (seconded, passed).

The Principal Clerk announced the following locations for upcoming meetings of MVP:

- Spring 2021 (March 1-2), Hopewell Presbyterian Church in New Albany, Mississippi
- Fall 2021 (October 4-5), Graceview Presbyterian Church in Southaven, Mississippi
- Spring 2022 (March 7-8), Providence Presbyterian Church in Bartlett, Tennessee

A motion was made to accept the invitation of the Pottsville Presbyterian Church in Pottsville, Arkansas, to host the Fall 2022 meeting of presbytery (seconded, passed).

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes (seconded, passed).

After announcements, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting (seconded, passed). After the singing of Psalm 133 ("Christian Unity"), the Fall 2020 meeting of MVP was closed with a prayer and benediction by Moderator Covington.

Called Presbytery Meeting

A called meeting of Mississippi Valley Presbytery was held on August 18, 2020, at 7 pm. The meeting was conducted virtually using Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Moderator Charles Covington, who opened in prayer.

The following members of presbytery were present for the meeting:

Members of Presbytery:

Charles Covington (Moderator)
Tim Phillips
Joey Donahue
David Strock
Ed Dees
Bob White
Brian Taylor
Jim Coad
Paul Walley
Kent Moorlach
Carl Patterson
Howard Wheeler
Mike Chipman
Charles Browning
Matthew Heathman
Conrad Cheatham
John Scott

Guests:

Chris Noa (Deacon at Gospel of Grace)
Aaron Rozeboom (Elder at Gospel of Grace)
Josh Munson (Deacon and Treasurer at Gospel of Grace)
Baline Falkena (Elder at Gospel of Grace)
Charlie Turner (Stated Supply)
Marty Smithhart (Student of Theology)

A quorum was present for the meeting.

The meeting was called to consider two items of business: 1) To consider approving the purchase of property by the Gospel of Grace Church in Springfield, Missouri; 2) To consider approving a loan from Outreach North America (the agency of Synod) related to the purchase of the property.

The purchase amount of the property was in the amount of \$400,000. The Gospel of Grace Church had agreed to a down payment \$250,000 as a down payment for the property. The remaining amount (\$150,000) would be obtained through a loan granted from Outreach North America (the loan will also require presbytery approval).

A motion was made to approve the purchase of the property (seconded). During discussion, Paul Walley, an elder at Gospel of Grace, commented on the location and building. There were questions from the floor on such topics as average Sunday morning attendance and the distance from the current meeting location. Rev. Brian Taylor noted that the new location would be more central to many members of the congregation. After other questions from the floor were answered, there was a motion to call the question (seconded, passed). A vote was taken and the motion passed.

A motion was made to approve the loan of \$150,000 from Outreach North America (seconded). It was clarified that the loan would be for a period of no more than 15 years. After a time of discussion, a vote was taken, and the motion passed.

(Note: during the last portion of the meeting, Moderator Covington was dropped from the Zoom meeting due to technical difficulties. He was not able to reestablish connection and Vice-Moderator Paul Walley presided over the remainder of the meeting).

A question was asked about the viability of an in-person presbytery meeting in October, and there was discussion about this.

A motion was made to adjourn (seconded, passed).

The meeting was closed in prayer by Vice-Moderator Paul Walley.

Called Meeting of Mississippi Valley Presbytery
December 8, 2020

A called meeting of MVP was held on December 8, 2020, beginning at 7 p.m. The meeting was held virtually using Google meeting. The following individuals were present for the meeting:

Don Watkins (Minister)
Brian Taylor (Minister)
Mike Chipman (Minister)
Howard Wheeler (Minister)
Mike Thomason (Elder)
Kent Moorlach (Minister)
Tim Phillips (Minister)
Aaron Rozeboom (Elder)
Paul Walley (Elder; chairing the meeting)
Mike Bearden (Elder)
Joe Donahue (Minister)
Marty Smithhart (Student of Theology)

Because of technical issues, Moderator Charles Covington and Vice Moderator John Scott were unable to join the meeting. Previous Moderator Paul Walley filled in as Acting Moderator for the meeting. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Paul Walley.

Three items of business were considered by the presbytery.

1. A request from the Gospel of Grace Church in Springfield, Missouri, to change its name to “Heritage Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.” A motion was made to grant the request (seconded). After discussion, the motion passed.
2. A recommendation from the ONA Committee to organize the Redeemer mission in Murray, Kentucky. After discussion, the recommendation passed. (**Appendix G**)
3. A request from the Redeemer congregation to call Rev. Mike Chipman as pastor. The terms of the call were read, and Rev. Chipman indicated that he accepted the terms of the call. After discussion, the motion passed. (**Appendix H**)

It was noted that a commission would need to be appointed to carry out the organization service.

Rev. Joey Donahue was called to pray for the Heritage and Redeemer congregations and Rev. Mike Chipman, as well as Rev. Meredith Cavin, who is facing health problems.

A motion was made to adjourn (seconded, passed). Rev. Tim Phillips closed with prayer.

Fall 2020 Meeting Agenda

| | |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Registration | 8:45 a.m. to 9 a.m. |
| Opening Worship | 9 a.m. |
| Opening of Business | 10 a.m. |
| Constitution with Prayer | |
| Welcome and Greetings by Host Church | |
| Constitution of the Roll | |
| Introductions and Procedural Motions | |
| Presentation of the Program | |
| Adoption of Spring 2020 Minutes of Presbytery | |
| Nominations for Moderator of MVP | |
| Unfinished Business | |
| Second Vote on Change of Rules (Session Records) | |
| Fraternal Greetings from Rev. Steven Carr (RCUS) | |
| Business Continues (Reports) | |
| Lunch | Noon |
| Season of Prayer | 12:45 p.m. |
| Business Resumes | 1 p.m. |
| Brief Recess | 2:30 p.m. |
| Business Concludes | 2:45 p.m. |
| Selection of Meeting Place for Fall 2022 Meeting | |
| Reading and Adoption of Minutes | |
| Announcements | |
| The Singing of <i>Bible Songs</i> # 280, “Christian Unity” | |
| Adjournment with Prayer and Benediction | |

Mississippi Valley Presbytery
Fall Meeting 2020

Treasurers Comments and items needing approval

- \$6500 was transferred to the Christian Education Fund in anticipation of the 2020 camps. Since the 2020 camps were cancelled due to the pandemic, there are adequate funds present and there is no need to transfer additional funds to the CE Fund for 2021.
- Our investment funds performed satisfactorily, in my opinion, considering the stress on the capital markets and the economy which were caused by the pandemic. The balances in this report are as of August 31 which is the latest statement available. I expect September to be negative as markets are selling off and I do not expect any increases until after the election in November.
- Withdrawals from the investment funds will be needed to fund the ONA 2021 budget. The amount will depend on the budget that is approved at the fall meeting and I am requesting that MVP authorize me to withdraw funds during 2021 equal to the 2021 budgeted amount and furthermore that I, as your treasurer, have discretion as to the timing of such withdrawals using my best judgement as to market conditions. For example, if the market is down considerably, I would only withdraw minimum needed at that time but if the markets take an upswing, I could withdraw the balance need for the year.
- I will not be at Presbytery meeting but will be available for questions from any members or delegates.

General Fund

Mississippi Valley Presbytery

For the 2019 full year and 2020 to date

| | <u>2020 to date</u> | <u>2019</u> |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Balance January 1 | <u>\$131,403.76</u> | <u>\$130,576.63</u> |
| Receipts: | | |
| Assessments from Member Churches | 11,260.00 | 12,430.00 |
| Interest Income | <u>1,203.80</u> | <u>1,734.11</u> |
| Total Receipts | <u>12,463.80</u> | <u>14,164.11</u> |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Contribution to Christian Education Fund | 6,500.00 | 6,000.00 |
| Printing, Postage and Clerk's Travel and Stipend | 831.83 | 1,025.99 |
| Committee Expenses | -00 | 910.99 |
| Camp Joy TN | -00 | 4,000.00 |
| Chaplain Fund to General Synod | -00 | 400.00 |
| Shared Mission Insite Demographic Tool | <u>-00</u> | <u>1,000.00</u> |
| Total Disbursements | <u>7,331.83</u> | <u>13,336.98</u> |
| Excess Receipts (disbursements) | <u>5,131.97</u> | <u>827.13</u> |
| Balance December 31 | <u>\$136,535.73</u> | <u>\$131,403.76</u> |
| General Fund Bank Accounts: | | |
| Renasant Bank 2200123455 | \$36,535.73 | \$31,403.76 |
| Bank of New Albany Certificate of Deposit | <u>100,000.00</u> | <u>100,000.00</u> |
| Total Bank Accounts | <u>\$136,535.73</u> | <u>\$131,403.76</u> |

| Schedule of Assessments | | Paid by | | Churches | |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Mississippi Valley Presbytery | | | | | |
| For Years 2017 through 2020 to date | | | | | |
| | <u>2020 to date</u> | <u>2019</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | |
| Bethany, Guntown, MS | -00.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 | \$400.00 | |
| Brighton, TN | 1,250.00 | 500.00 | -00 | 1,040.00 | |
| Ebenezer, Blue Mtn., MS | 400.00 | 400.00 | 400.00 | 400.00 | |
| Ellisville Presbyterian, Ellisville, M | -00.00 | -00 | -00 | 250.00 | |
| Elsberry, MO | 70.00 | 70.00 | 90.00 | 90.00 | |
| Faith Presbyterian, Leakesville, MS | 1,000.00 | 800.00 | 1,600.00 | -00 | |
| French Camp, MS | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 900.00 | 900.00 | |
| Graceview, Southhaven, MS | 900.00 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | |
| Gospel of Grace, Springfield, MO | 500.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 | 430.00 | |
| Gum Tree, Tupelo, MS | 820.00 | 820.00 | 810.00 | 790.00 | |
| Helena, Moss Point, MS | 500.00 | 250.00 | 500.00 | 250.00 | |
| Hernando Reformed, Hernando, M | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 | |
| Hickory Springs, AR | -00.00 | -00 | -00 | -00 | |
| Hopewell, New Albany, MS | 300.00 | -00 | 800.00 | 698.00 | |
| Midlane Park, Louisville, KY | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 | |
| Mt. Zion, Troy, MO | 180.00 | 180.00 | 180.00 | 220.00 | |
| New Albany, MS | 1,500.00 | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 | |
| New Geneva, Paducah, KY | -00.00 | 420.00 | 1,110.00 | -00 | |
| Pottsville, AR | -00.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 | |
| Providence, Bartlett, TN | 550.00 | 600.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 | |
| Richland, Rosemark, TN | -00.00 | 600.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 | |
| Salem, Atoka, TN | 1,600.00 | 1,600.00 | 1,600.00 | 1,600.00 | |
| Sharon, Brighton, TN | 190.00 | 190.00 | 190.00 | 210.00 | |
| Wood Avenue, Monticello, AR | -00.00 | -00 | -00 | 80.00 | |
| Total Receipts from churches | <u>11,260.00</u> | <u>12,430.00</u> | <u>\$14,180.00</u> | <u>\$12,358.00</u> | |

Names in bold indicate no 2020 payments have been received so far this year

Note that due to timing some Churches paid two years assessments in one year

Christian Education Fund
Mississippi Valley Presbytery
For the Full Year 2019 and 2020 to date

| | <u>2020 to date</u> | <u>2019</u> |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Balance January 1 | <u>6,647.18</u> | <u>\$6,022.73</u> |
| Receipts: | | |
| Received from General Fund | \$6,500.00 | \$6,000.00 |
| Received from Summer Campers | -00 | 22,788.16 |
| Received from Fall Retreat Campers | <u>-00</u> | <u>-00</u> |
| Total Receipts | <u>\$6,500.00</u> | <u>\$28,788.16</u> |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Deposit on 2020 camp cancelled | 2,262.00 | -00 |
| Expenses of Summer Camp | -00 | 28,163.71 |
| Expenses of Fall Retreat | <u>-00</u> | <u>-00</u> |
| Total Disbursements | <u>2,262.00</u> | <u>28,163.71</u> |
| Excess Receipts over/ (Under) Disbursements | <u>4,238.00</u> | <u>624.45</u> |
| Balance December 31 | <u>\$10,885.18</u> | <u>\$6,647.18</u> |
| Christian Education Bank Account: | | |
| Bank of New Albany 162026003 | <u>\$10,885.18</u> | <u>\$6,647.18</u> |

Question: Was the deposit MVP paid for cancelled 2020 camp forfeited? Or will it apply to 2021?
Noted: Since the camps for 2020 were cancelled and the funds never spent, there is no need to transfer full amount to CE Fund for 2021

Outreach North America Funds Mississippi Valley Presbytery

For the full year 2019 and 2020 to date

| | <u>2020 to date</u> | <u>2019</u> |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <u>ONA FUNDS:</u> | | |
| Balance January 1 | <u>\$31,387.03</u> | <u>\$93,430.19</u> |
| Receipts: | | |
| Contribution from Synod for Little Rock Mission | \$4,500.00 | \$12,000.00 |
| Received from Synod for Revitalization funds | -00 | 1,996.00 |
| Transfer from Investment Accounts | 60,000.00 | \$-00 |
| Interest Income | -00 | 327.25 |
| Royalties from Ross Exploration | <u>235.71</u> | <u>492.81</u> |
| Total Receipts | <u>\$64,735.71</u> | <u>\$14,816.06</u> |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Howard Wheeler Salary and Benefits | \$45,314.28 | \$60,419.04 |
| Howard Wheeler Mileage and Expense reimburseme | 2,150.67 | 14,875.28 |
| Committee Expense | -00 | 1,564.90 |
| Payoff Mortgage for Hernando Church | <u>31,953.87</u> | <u>-00</u> |
| Total Disbursements | <u>\$79,418.82</u> | <u>76,859.22</u> |
| Balance ONA Funds end of Period | <u>\$16,703.92</u> | <u>\$31,387.03</u> |
| | | |
| <u>Restricted Funds:</u> | | |
| Balance Restricted for Louisville KY Church Plant | \$151,160.48 | \$150,000.00 |
| Interest earned since received | <u>287.92</u> | <u>1,160.48</u> |
| Balance in Restricted Funds | <u>\$151,448.40</u> | <u>\$151,160.48</u> |
| | | |
| ONA and Revitalization Bank Accounts: | | |
| Bank of New Albany 1620260-01 Checking | \$16,703.92 | \$31,387.03 |
| BNA Bank 1620260-09 Money Market (Restricted) | <u>151,448.40</u> | <u>151,160.48</u> |
| Total in Banks | <u>\$168,152.32</u> | <u>\$182,547.51</u> |

Mississippi Valley Presbytery

Endowment Funds

| | Moderate ARP Invest- ment Fund A | Conservative ARP Invest- ment Fund B | Total |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Value of Accounts January 1, 2020 | \$889,689.00 | \$305,120.00 | \$1,194,809.00 |
| Withdrawal in 2020 | (60,000.00) | 0 | (60,000.00) |
| Increase in value of Accounts during 2020 | <u>14,199.78</u> | <u>12,047.43</u> | <u>26,247.21</u> |
| Value of Accounts August 31, 2020 | <u>\$843,888.78</u> | <u>\$317,167.43</u> | <u>\$1,161,056.21</u> |
| Return year to date | <u>1.71%</u> | <u>3.95%</u> | <u>2.31%</u> |
| Increase in Value since Inception | <u>\$181,278.78</u> | <u>\$67,167.43</u> | <u>\$248,446.21</u> |
| Initial Investment | \$200,000.00 | \$250,000.00 | \$450,000.00 |
| Additional Contribution in 2015 | 79,790.00 | -00 | 79,790.00 |
| Additional Contribution in 2017 | 342,820.00 | -00 | 342,820.00 |
| Additional Contribution in 2018 | 100,000.00 | -00 | 100,000.00 |
| Withdrawal in 2020 | <u>(60,000.00)</u> | <u>-00</u> | <u>(60,000.00)</u> |
| Net Invested | <u>\$662,610.00</u> | <u>\$250,000.00</u> | <u>\$912,610.00</u> |



MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY ACCOUNTS
GENERAL SYNOD ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN

As of 8/31/2020

Comparative Review

| Account Name | Model | 12/31/2019 Value | Net Contribution | Net Investment Gain | 8/31/2020 Value |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Endowment/Investment | | | | | |
| MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY - PART B | B: Conser 20/80 A | \$305,119.71 | \$0.00 | \$12,047.72 | \$317,167.43 |
| MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY - PART A | D: Mod Aggr 65/35 A | \$889,689.32 | (\$60,000.00) | \$14,199.46 | \$843,888.78 |
| MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY ACCOUNTS | | \$1,194,809.03 | (\$60,000.00) | \$26,247.18 | \$1,161,056.21 |

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The annual meeting of the Mississippi Valley Presbytery Educational Fund was held on September 15th 2020 at 7:00 PM at the Salem ARP church. Those in attendance were Reverend Bob White, Russell McDaniel, Danny Hughes, and Randy Goulder.

A quorum was noted

The meeting was opened in prayer by Rev. Bob White

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

The treasures report was read and approved.

Scripture reading Psalm 115

Business

There are no request for loans at this time.

Discussion was held on the purpose of the fund. The fund was started in 1891 to encourage and promote education and aid in the education of worthy young men for the Gospel ministry.

There are no outstanding loans at this time.

A note of communication – All request for loans should be sent to Reverend Bob White at MemphisRAWWhite@bellsouth.net The committee will convene by email and phone to conduct business during the year if needed.

There are no recommendations from the committee at this time

The next annual meeting for the committee September 14th 2021.

Randy Goulder made a motion to adjourn seconded by Russell McDaniel. Motion passed

Danny Hughes closed the meeting in prayer.

Randy Goulder

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MVP ONA Committee Fall Minutes Sept. 10th, 2020

Present: Brian Taylor, Bob White, Gary Clowers, John Scott and Carl Patterson (Howard Wheeler and Mike Chipman attended to provide an overview of their respective works)

- The meeting was opened in prayer by Carl Patterson.
- Louisville church plant report:
 - Rev. Dave Dively provided a written report to the committee regarding the current status of the proposed plant in Louisville, Ky. (see attachment for full report; the following are highlights of that report):
 - Rev. Dively updated the committee regarding Michael and Chelsea Moore's preparations as potential planters, focusing especially on their attendance at the ONA assessment center in August
 - He provided insight into his thinking regarding various scenarios for the plant (including differing outcomes for the plant in relation to the revitalization of Midlane Park)
 - He further shared his vision for developing a prayer network for MVP and the expansion of new presbyteries in the geographical region now overseen by MVP
 - Rev. Bob White provided further insight into Mr. Moore's assessment process (having now been completed)
 - As to his fitness evaluation: Nothing in his background would preclude him from serving as a church planter
 - Regarding his potential as a church planter, based upon the differing categories ONA uses in their assessment, they did not currently recommend Mr. Moore as ready to plant a church
 - They stipulated that Mr. Moore needs to improve in three areas before they could so recommend him
 - Develop preaching skills
 - Needs a coach
 - Needs to take a communications course
 - Rev. White reminded the committee that until Mr. Moore is so recommended, ONA would not match any proposed funds from MVP
 - Rev. White also noted that Mrs. Moore "is awesome," as she was assessed by her peers as the top person to work with
 - Their marriage was also regarded as the most stable of the three couples involved in the assessment process
 - Further, Mr. Moore scored the highest of the three candidates regarding their understanding of the gospel
 - In light of the above reports, the committee deliberated as to whether to recommend to presbytery that they consider Mr. Moore for a potential internship, which would possibly involve ONA granting an intern supplement as determined by the ONA Board (for this process, see ONA Policy Book, section VI, part D)

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- After some discussion, the motion was made and seconded to recommend to MVP that the presbytery make Michael Moore an intern, which would involve his staying in submission to presbytery and the ONA assessment center; discussion followed
 - At the behest of the committee, Howard Wheeler provided further insight and guidance as to how the committee should proceed in this matter
 - In light of Rev. Wheeler's counsel, a motion was made, seconded and adopted that the preceding motion be tabled until the committee could further discuss and examine Mr. Moore in light of the assessment center's evaluation of him
 - The committee further requested that the chairman (Rev. Taylor), Rev. White and Rev. Wheeler speak to Mr. Moore so as to provide guidance to the committee as to Mr. Moore's fitness for a potential internship
- Redeemer Community church report: Mr. Mike Chipman was present to provide an oral report
 - The current state of the plant is good
 - The covid effect: Redeemer suspended their service due to the viral outbreak in March and resumed services in May
 - Since the outbreak of the virus, Redeemer was able to resume communion on Sept. 6th, in which thirty-two people were served (with over forty in attendance)
 - Average attendance in the last few years has increased by 15-20 people
 - Mr. Chipman provided an overview of the effectiveness of bi-vocational ministry to the health and well-being of the church plant
 - His and his wife's work in the school has provided connections to people with whom they would otherwise not come into contact
 - The focus of his ministry are the ordinary means of grace
 - His foreseeable plans are to remain as a bi-vocational minister
 - The church is making good strides towards becoming an organized church
 - This involves the presence in the congregation of a potential candidate for the office of elder
 - Mr. Chipman and the church believes this man is ready to serve as elder and are waiting for his agreement
 - Mr. Chipman clarified his own status (in light of the adopted motion from the last ONA committee meeting, in which it was recommended to MaHW to reclassify his status from stated supply to missions developer)
 - Mr. Chipman did not see a need for such a change
 - He foresees his next step, should the church (once organized) give him a call, to be that of ordination to the office of minister
- River City: Rev. Howard Wheeler was present to provide an oral report
 - The covid effect: River City had good traction going in Spring when the virus arrived
 - From March to May, everything went into stasis

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- Resumed serves on the 4th Sunday of May
- Smaller attendance at first, but in the last three weeks, larger percentage of the church has returned
- Live Stream was helpful, not only for members/adherents, but to connect with those unfamiliar with the church (good number of visitors)
- Status of the church:
 - Good core
 - Regional church
 - Need pastor living in Little Rock to facilitate church growth
- With this last item in view, Rev. Wheeler reiterated his plan for an associate to join him in the work, with a view to the associate eventually becoming the senior pastor
 - The plan involves two to three years working with Rev. Wheeler
 - There has been conversations with a couple of men, with one being a very promising candidate
 - In light of this plan, Rev. Wheeler has adjusted his proposed budget to reflect the addition of an associate pastor (see attachments)
- Facts to consider regarding the budget
 - This is the last year of ONA support for River City (3rd and final year)
 - Rev. Wheeler has culled out as much expense from his proposed budget as would be feasible in order to provide for an associate; both he and the church are giving sacrificially in support of the proposed budget
 - River City is increasing its support for the proposed budget by approximately \$15,000
 - Rev. Wheeler is requesting \$10,000 less for 2021 than requested for 2020
- Motion was made, seconded and approved to recommend that presbytery approve River City's budget for 2021 as well as the request for presbytery support for the amount of \$60, 284.63
- Mr. John Scott closed in prayer

Recommendations

Presbytery approve River City's budget for 2021 as well as the request for presbytery support for the amount of \$60, 284.63

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2021 River City Budget

| MVP Pastoral Support | Amount |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Salary | \$36,000.00 |
| Dental/Vision Insurance | \$1,700.64 |
| Housing Allowance | \$0.00 |
| SS Allowance | \$2,700.00 |
| Retirement | \$4,644.00 |
| Term Life & Disability | \$139.32 |
| Subtotal | \$45,183.96 |

| Ministry Expenses | Amount |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Pastoral Intern/Associate | |
| Salary | \$36,000.00 |
| Housing Allowance | \$15,000.00 |
| SS Allowance | \$3,825.00 |
| Dental/Vision | \$1,700.64 |
| LTD | \$197.37 |
| Retirement | \$6,579.00 |
| Subtotal | \$63,302.01 |
| Office Expense/Resources | |
| Computer | \$500.00 |
| Printer/Supplies/Maint. | \$500.00 |
| Subtotal | \$1,000.00 |
| Bible Study/Worship Resources | |
| Bible Study Resources | \$800.00 |
| Hymnals/Psalms | \$0.00 |
| Sacrament Supplies | \$50.00 |
| CCLI | \$200.00 |
| Subtotal | \$1,050.00 |
| Facilities | |
| PO Box | \$135.00 |
| Liability Insurance | \$1,000.00 |
| Childcare | \$400.00 |
| A/V Equipment | \$500.00 |
| Hospitality Expenses | \$500.00 |
| Misc Equipment | \$300.00 |
| Rent Contingency | \$0.00 |
| Subtotal | \$2,835.00 |
| Internet | \$100.00 |
| Cell | \$900.00 |
| Promotion | |
| Print Costs | \$200.00 |
| Signage | \$500.00 |
| Advertising | \$500.00 |
| Conferences | \$500.00 |

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| Subtotal | | \$1,700.00 |
| Mileage Reimbursement | | \$5,000.00 |
| Denominational Ministry Fund | | \$2,500.00 |
| MVP Assessment | | \$250.00 |
| Community Support/Local Ministry | | \$500.00 |
| Education | | \$0.00 |
| Subtotal | | \$79,137.01 |
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| Total Budget Expense | | \$124,320.97 |
| Income Sources | | |
| 2021 ONA Synod Intern Support | \$18,000.00 | |
| 2021 River City Giving/Savings | \$44,036.34 | |
| 2021 Ministry Partner Giving | \$2,000.00 | |
| Local/Denominational Support | | \$64,036.34 |
| 2021 Estimated MVP Support Needs | | \$60,284.63 |

2021 MVP Support Request

MVP

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Pastor Wheeler's Call | \$45,183.96 | |
| 1/3 of Intern Costs after ONA Grant | \$15,100.67 | |
| Total MVP Support | | \$60,284.63 |

Synod

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|----------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Intern Grant | \$18,000.00 | |
| Total Synod Support | | \$18,000.00 |

River City

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|---------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Ministry Expenses | \$15,835.00 | |
| 2/3 of Intern Costs after ONA Grant | \$30,201.34 | |
| Total River City Local Support | | \$46,036.34 |

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| Total Budget | | \$124,320.97 |
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MVP ONA Committee Minutes Oct. 1st, 2020

Members Present: Brian Taylor, Bob White, Gary Clowers, and Carl Patterson
Guest: Mike Chipman

- Open in prayer: Rev. White
- River City budget:
 - Rev. Taylor presented and explained to the committee the revised budget for River City (2021)
 - In light of ONA Board's replacement of the intern supplement with a tripartite grant program, River City adjusted their budget regarding intern support, with both River City and MVP providing a greater amount of funding
 - A motion was made, seconded and adopted to recommend that presbytery approve River City's 2021 revised budget
- Louisville church plant:
 - The committee then took up the postponed motion regarding recommending to MVP that the presbytery make Michael Moore an intern, which would involve his staying in submission to presbytery and the ONA assessment center
 - Rev. Taylor explained that the change in funding (previously mentioned) effects this item as well (seeing that funds would no longer be available to Midlane Park to supplement Mr. Moore's income through an intern supplement)
 - Bob White then spoke against the motion
 - The motion failed
 - Rev. Taylor presented an alternative path regarding Mr. Moore to prepare him as the potential church planter for Louisville
 - Rev. Taylor provided a synopsis of the interview (requested by the committee) he, Rev. White and Rev. Howard Wheeler had with Mr. Moore
 - Rev. Taylor also provided a synopsis of action taken to clarify and ascertain how the committee can best aid Mr. Moore in this process
 - In light of various factors, Rev. Taylor then suggested a course of action for the committee to present to Mr. Moore, which would involve:
 - His fulfilling the requirements of the ONA assessment center, under the supervision of a mentor assigned to him by the presbytery (as recommended to them by the committee)
 - After reviewing his progress and finding it satisfactory, the committee would then recommend to presbytery that Mr. Moore serve as a church planting explorer, with certain goals to fulfill
 - Rev. Taylor, in accord with MaHW committee's suggestion that ONA appoint a mentor, then suggested that Mike Chipman should be recommended to presbytery as Mr. Moore's mentor
 - Rev. Chipman spoke to this, indicating his willingness

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- Rev. Chipman also gave an outline of how he foresees this process working
- A motion was made and seconded to recommend to presbytery that they assign Mike Chipman to serve as Mr. Moore’s mentor for a period of one year; the motion was then seconded, with a hearty, healthy and helpful discussion following
 - A motion was made and seconded to amend the motion by striking “one year” and replacing it with the following: “providing an evaluation to the ONA committee of Mr. Moore’s progress in six month increments and to reimburse Rev. Chipman for any expenses accrued”
 - The motion to amend passed
- The amended motion passed
- A motion was made and seconded to adjourn; the motion passed
- Mr. Patterson closed in prayer

Recommendations:

- Presbytery approve River City’s 2021 revised budget.
- Presbytery assign Mike Chipman to serve as Mr. Moore’s mentor, providing an evaluation to the ONA committee of Mr. Moore’s progress in six month increments and to reimburse Rev. Chipman for any expenses accrued

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Appendix E

The Christian Education Committee of MVP met on September 23, 2020 at 8:00 P.M., via Zoom. Present were Rev. Alex Coblenz, Rev. Charles Covington, and Stephen Ewing.

The meeting was opened in prayer by Stephen Ewing.

Members discussed the challenges faced by their individual church's, and the presbytery as a whole, both during, and coming out of, the COVID-19 pandemic. A motion was made for MVP to pray for the youth/children and for the Christian Education Ministries (Sunday Schools, youth groups, etc) of our churches as we continue to deal with the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr. Ewing gave an update from Mrs. Carrie Browning, director of Camp of the Rising Son. Mrs. Browning reached out to notify the committee that she was still in possession of the deposit that had been paid for MVP Camp 2020 (canceled). The Committee decided to leave the money with CRS to be applied to MVP Camp 2021. Mrs. Browning also gave an update on events at CRS. She noted that a Fall Retreat would be a possibility and that MVP Camp 2021 should be at full capacity. The members decided against a Fall Retreat due to the continued uncertainty and instead planned to put all efforts into MVP Camp 2021. Mr. Ewing will pursue making short virtual lessons for the youth in the presbytery. These could be used as teaching tools and Camp promotion.

The Committee voted to postpone the Officer Training Seminar planned for November due to COVID-19 and traveling concerns. The Committee will consider rescheduling this event at the Spring 2021 meeting of MVP.

A motion was made to adjourn by Rev. Covington, seconded by Rev. Coblenz.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Rev. Covington.

Motions

For MVP to pray for the youth/children and for the Christian Education Ministries (Sunday Schools, youth groups, etc.) of our churches as we continue to deal with the effects of the
COVID-19 Pandemic.

Minister and His Work Committee

The Minister and His Work Committee of Mississippi Valley Presbytery met on Tuesday, September 29, 2020, at 7 pm via Google Meet. Present at the meeting were Rev. Kent Moorlach (chair), Rev. Howard Wheeler, Rev. Don Watkins, Mr. Paul Walley, Mr. Larry Littlejohn, and Rev. Tim Phillips. Also present were guests Rev. Dave Dively, Mr. Michael Moore, and Rev. Bill Holiman. The meeting was opened in prayer by Larry Littlejohn.

The first item of business on the agenda was the consideration of the transfer of credentials of Rev. Bill Holiman as a retired Navy chaplain. Rev. Howard Wheeler introduced Rev. Holiman to the committee. Rev. Holiman spoke about his background with the committee and gave a brief statement of his faith in Jesus Christ and his call to ministry. The committee asked questions regarding Rev. Holiman's commitment to presbyterianism and the Westminster Standards. After speaking with the committee and a time of prayer, Rev. Holiman exited the meeting.

Rev. Dave Dively spoke to the committee about his desire to transfer his credentials as an honorably retired minister to the presbytery. Rev. Dively also spoke of his desire to work with Mr. Moore to help plant a church in Louisville, Kentucky (Rev. Dively has experience as a church planter in the city). Rev. Dively spoke about his commitment to faith in Jesus Christ and his commitment to the Westminster Standards, as well his view of the difference in ethos between the ARP and the PCA. He also spoke of his desire to help in the presbytery with prayer emails, virtual meetings, visiting churches, etc.

Mr. Michael Moore spoke with the committee. Mr. Moore has been in contact with the ONA Committee and is interested in church planting in the city of Louisville. Rev. Howard Wheeler and Rev. Dave Dively both helped introduce Mr. Moore. Mr. Moore spoke of his growing up in the church, coming to faith in Christ, his journey to Reformed theology, and his sense of call to the ministry. The committee asked questions regarding his educational background, Reformed theological beliefs, influences on his life and ministry, opportunities for personal evangelism, practicing hospitality as a family, favorite Bible texts, frequently visited websites, and favorite podcasts. Rev. Moorlach asked Mr. Moore to explain the difference between hyper-Calvinism and high Calvinism. There was also a question as to what status Mr. Moore would have within the presbytery at this time. Mr. Moore was also asked questions about studying systematic theology and whether he listened to online sermons. He was also asked his favorite theologian (Jonathan Edwards was his answer). After a time of prayer for Mr. Moore and Rev. Dively, both men exited the meeting.

It was noted that Rev. Kyle Brent had transferred his credentials to Pee Dee Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America.

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It was noted that Ebenezer, Hopewell, and Helena wished to continue with their stated supply pastor situations (Rev. Bill Everett, Brother Randy Kolb, and Brother Leslie Rhodes).

There was discussion about Stephen Ewing and his role at the New Albany Presbyterian Church. It was suggested that the New Albany session be contacted clarifying matters regarding Mr. Ewing's status and his involvement with the church. Chairman Moorlach volunteered to speak with the moderator of the New Albany session and the clerk of the New Albany session concerning four recommendations from the committee: 1) that Mr. Ewing request an extension as a Student of Theology, as he has been a student for more than 5 years; 2) that the New Albany session consider hiring Mr. Ewing as their stated supply; 3) that Mr. Ewing be examined as a stated supply by the MaHW committee if it is the desire of the NA session that he serve as the stated supply; 4) that the session agree to allow Mr. Ewing suitable time to complete his studies for the M.Div. degree

A motion was made to receive Rev. Bill Holiman as a retired minister and have his credentials transferred to MVP (seconded, passed). A motion was made to receive Rev. David Dively as a retired minister and have his credentials transferred to MVP (seconded, passed). It was noted that these transfers would be pending receiving letters of good standing from the previous denominational bodies for the pastors (the Reformed Episcopal Church for Rev. Holiman and the PCA for Rev. Dively).

The committee agreed to communicate with the chair of the ONA Committee that they had met with Mr. Moore and would recommend a suitable mentor to work with Mr. Moore if he is to pursue church planting.

It was reported by the chair that he had been in discussions with Rev. Charlie Turner in Ellisville about the progress of the work there, as well as his current status (the terms of his call have not yet been completed).

There was no further business, and a motion was made to adjourn (seconded, passed). Rev. Don Watkins closed the meeting in prayer.

Recommendations:

- That Rev. Bill Holiman be received as a member of MVP, pending his transfer of credentials from the Reformed Episcopal Church
- That Rev. David Dively be received as a member of MVP, pending his transfer of credentials from the Presbyterian Church in America
- That Bill Everett, Randy Kolb, and Leslie Rhodes continue to serve as stated supplies at the Ebenezer, Hopewell, and Helena churches

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MVP ONA Committee

November 17th, 2020

Members Present: Brian Taylor, Bob White, John Scott, Gary Clowers

- The meeting was opened in prayer by Bob White
- The meeting was convened by the chairman for the purpose of discussing the status of Redeemer Community mission in Murray, KY
 - Motion was made and seconded to recommend to Presbytery that Redeemer Community mission in Murray, KY be organized as a church
 - The motion passed
- Motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn
- The meeting was closed in prayer by Gary Clowers

Recommendation: ONA committee recommends to Presbytery that Redeemer Community mission in Murray, KY be organized as a church

CALL FOR A PASTOR

We the officers and members of the Redeemer Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church of Murray KY, being well satisfied with your ministerial qualifications, and confident that we have been led to you by the Holy Spirit as one whose ministry will be profitable to our spiritual interest, do earnestly call you, Mike Chipman, to undertake the office of pastor of this congregation. On the acceptance of this our call we promise you in the discharge of your duty all proper support, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord.

That you may devote yourself wholly to Ministry of the Word, we promise and obligate ourselves to:

- a. Pay you an annual salary of N/A in at least monthly payments
- b. Housing (Check all that apply):
 - (1) Provide you with the free use of a manse with utilities.
 - (2) Provide you with the free use of a manse without utilities.
 - (3) Provide you with a housing allowance of \$7200 in at least monthly payments.
- c. Pay your moving expenses.
- d. Grant you a travel allowance of \$ _____ annually.
- e. Pay into the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Retirement Plan Fund as prescribed by the General Synod.
- f. Group Insurance (Check all that apply):
 - (1) Pay _____ % of the cost of your participation in Synod's insurance programs (life, dependent life, medical, dental, accidental death and dismemberment, and disability).
 - (2) Pay _____ % of the cost of your family's participation in Synod's insurance programs (medical and dental).
 - (3) Pay _____ of the cost of your family's participation in a private insurance program (medical and dental).
- g. Review with you annually the adequacy of this compensation.
- h. Grant you an annual vacation of 3 weeks.
- i. Other.

We desire also to express our commitment to you and to your family for events which could occur in the providence of God. Every effort will be made to assist and lovingly sustain and uphold you and/or your family should such an event occur.

- a. In the event of total disability, as defined by Synod's insurance program, we promise (Check all that apply):
 - (1) To continue the provisions of this call during the prescribed waiting period for commencement of benefits from Synod's insurance program.
 - (2) To continue the provisions of this call for a period not to exceed _____ months from the onset of total disability.
 - (3) If you are residing in the manse, and during the month following the terms outlined in "(1)" or "(2)" above, to assist you in relocating and to contribute \$ _____ toward your relocation expenses.
 - (4) Other. (Attach)
- b. In the event you should die during the terms of this call, we promise (Check all that apply):
 - (1) To continue the provisions of this call dealing with annual salary, housing, and group insurance for a period of _____ months.
 - (2) If you are residing in the manse, and during the month following the terms outlined in "(1)" above, to assist your family in relocating and/or contribute \$ _____ toward those relocation expenses.
 - (3) Other. (Attach)

Appendix H

In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our names this 28th day of Nov., A.D. 2020

CHURCH OFFICERS

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Andy French (Clerk of Session)

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CONFIRMATION OF A CALL

I, Andy French, having moderated the congregational meeting which was held in the Redeemer Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, on 11-28-2020, at which a call was extended to Mike Chipman for service as **pastor**, certify that the call has been made in all respects according to the rule laid down in the Form of Government, and that the persons who signed the call were members in regular standings of the above-mentioned congregation.

Andy French 11-28-2020
Moderator of the Congregational Meeting

RECORD OF VOTING

12 For the Call 0 Against the Call

HOST CHURCHES OF STATED MEETINGS OF MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY

- 1991 – Graceview, Salem
- 1992 – Ebenezer, Midlane Park
- 1993 – Brighton, Parkway Place
- 1994 – Graceview, Covington
- 1995 – Pottsville, New Albany
- 1996 – St. Paul, Graceview
- 1997 – Brighton, Salem
- 1998 – Providence Reformed, Elsberry/Mt. Zion
- 1999 – Hopewell, Covington
- 2000 – New Albany, Graceview
- 2001 – Hopewell, Parkway Place
- 2002 – Pottsville, Richland
- 2003 – Providence Reformed, Covington
- 2004 – Salem, Brighton
- 2005 – New Albany, Graceview
- 2006 – Hopewell, Helena
- 2007 – Ebenezer, Dunlap/Sharon
- 2008 – Pottsville, Richland
- 2009 – Midlane Park, Mt. Zion
- 2010 – Gum Tree (*no Spring meeting in 2010 due to called meeting of Synod*)
- 2011 – Hopewell, Providence Reformed
- 2012 – French Camp, Brighton
- 2013 – Graceview, New Albany
- 2014 – Ellisville, Gospel of Grace
- 2015 – French Camp, Providence
- 2016 – Hopewell, Richland
- 2017 – Gum Tree, Graceview
- 2018 – Salem, Brighton
- 2019 – French Camp, New Geneva
- 2020 – New Albany, Providence (moved from Pottsville)
- 2021 – Hopewell, Graceview
- 2022 – Providence, Pottsville

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Rev. Don Watkins
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Spring Meeting

Faith

Graceview

Gum Tree

Helena

Heritage

Hernando

Hickory Springs

Midlane Park

New Albany

River City

Salem

Sharon

Wood Avenue

Fall Meeting

Bethany

Brighton

Ebenezer

Ellisville

Elsberry

French Camp

Hopewell

Mt. Zion

New Geneva

Pottsville

Providence Reformed

Redeemer

Richland