# The Minutes Of

# Mississippi Valley Presbytery

General Synod of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church



Fall Stated Meeting

October 7-8, 2013

New Albany Presbyterian Church New Albany, Mississippi

#### **CONTENTS**

Proceedings of Fall Stated Meeting, October 7-8, 2013 (New Albany, Mississippi)

**Appendix A** Order of Worship and Meeting Agenda

**Appendix B** Address from President of Mississippi Valley Presbyterial

**Appendix C** Commission Report for Installation of Rev. Kent Moorlach

**Appendix D** Commission Report for Reception of Ellisville Presbyterian Church and

Installation of Rev. Benjamin Glaser

**Appendix E** Commission Report for Installation of Rev. Gary Jones

**Appendix F** Letter from Rev. Jodie Gaston

**Appendix G** Letter from Covington Presbyterian Church

**Appendix H** Report of the Nominations Committee

**Appendix I** Report of the Stewardship Committee

**Appendix J** Report of the Treasurer

**Appendix K** Report of MVP Educational Fund Committee

**Appendix L** Report of Moderator's Committee on Sessional Records

**Appendix M** Report of Minister and His Work Committee

**Appendix N** Report of ONA Committee

**Appendix O** Report of Christian Education Committee

**Appendix P** Host Churches of Stated Meetings of Mississippi Valley Presbytery

**Appendix Q** Officers of Mississippi Valley Presbytery

**Appendix R** Standing Committees of Mississippi Valley Presbytery

**Appendix S** Directory

**Schedule for Review of Minutes of Sessions** 

#### PROCEEDINGS MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY

#### New Albany Presbyterian Church New Albany, Mississippi

# Fall Stated Meeting October 7-8, 2013

The registration of delegates began at 5 pm. Following an evening meal provided by the host church at 6 p.m., the Fall 2013 Stated Meeting of Mississippi Valley Presbytery began at 7 p.m. with an opening worship service led by Rev. Bill Everett (see **Appendix A**).

Following the worship service and a brief recess, Steve McCollum, an elder at the New Albany Presbyterian Church, welcomed the presbytery. Prayer was requested for Hubert Foley, an elder at the New Albany church, who was unable to attend because he had injured his shoulder earlier that day. Mr. Foley had originally been scheduled to give the welcome.

The Principal Clerk confirmed a quorum was present.

#### **Ministers Present**

Thomas Braithwaite (*E*) Dan Hazen Ron Brunson ( $\boldsymbol{E}$ ) Gary Jones Meredith Cavin Matthew Heathman Moises Chan (E)Kent Moorlach Conrad Cheatham (*E*) Tim Phillips **Gary Clowers Trov Pritt** James Coad III (*E*) Zech Schiebout Alex Coblentz David Searfoss (*E*) Joey Donahue Wayne Stanchfield (*E*) **David Storment** Bill Everett Charles Todd W. Nale Falls (*E*) Michael Garvey (*E*) John Tucker Don Watkins Jodie Gaston (*E*) Carl Geisik (*E*) Howard Wheeler (*E*) Robert White Benjamin Glaser Steve Hardy (*E*) Mike Yarman

(A) = Unexcused Absence (E) = Excused Absence

#### **Ruling Elders Present**

Bethany – David Frazier Ebenezer – Edwin Dees
Brighton – John Moore Elsberry – none
Covenant Reformed – none Faith – none
Covington – Milton Murphy French Camp – Bruce Hosket

Gospel of Grace – Marshall Snodgrass Graceview – Gene Adams Gum Tree – Carl Patterson Helena – none (excused) Hernando – Steve Rice Hickory Springs – none (excused) Hopewell – Troy Graham Midlane Park – none Mt. Zion – Charles Bunner New Albany – Steve McCollum New Geneva – Kevin Myers Pottsville – none Providence – David Strock Richland – Bob Mitchell Salem – Kerry Regen Sharon – none Wood Avenue – none

#### **Stated Supply**

Charles Covington
Al Herrington

#### Guests

David Patterson, John Robinson, Carolyn Murphy, David Earle, Larry Littlejohn, Mike Thomason, Barbara Thomason, Mrion Bunner, Dell Mills, Lillian Roberts, Joan Herrington, Jane Patterson, Carolyn Strickland, Marge Smith, Blanche Strong, Lorraine Pritt, Martha Dees, Mary Nell Coblentz, Rodney Shands, Ginger Shands, Thomas Maclin, Betty Maclin, Jerry Harmon, Vicki Harmon, Charles Browning, Jean Browning, Howard Roberts, LV. McNeal, Mac Fennell, Laura Fennell, Ancie Lowery, Daniel Gillespie, Stephen Ewing, Kathy Nowlin, Linda Everett, Ashley Gillespie, Nan Miller, Sandra McCollum, and Linda Yarman

Several guests were introduced as first-time attendees to the meeting.

Thomas Maclin, an elder at the New Albany Presbyterian Church, presented the agenda for the meeting (see **Appendix A**).

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 Principal Clerk noted the following ministers and elders had submitted excuses for this stated meeting of MVP: Rev. Howard Wheeler, Rev. Moises Chan, Rev. Conrad Cheatham, Rev. Mike Garvey, and Elder Wilmont Green. In addition, representatives from the Helena Presbyterian Church also requested an excused absence from the meeting.

Updates were given about those who were absent from the meeting, and Rev. Dan Hazen was called upon to pray for those missing from the meeting because of illness and injury.

The minutes from the Spring 2013 meeting of presbytery were adopted.

Moderator Yarman appointed a committee to examine the records of sessions: Carl Patterson, Rev. Gary Clowers, Kerry Regen, and Rev. Matthew Heathman.

Mr. Carl Patterson, an elder at Gum Tree Presbyterian Church, was nominated as Vice-Moderator-Moderator-elect of MVP. There were no other nominations from the floor. Nominations were closed and Mr. Patterson was elected

Mr. David Earle, Vice President for Advancement for Erskine College and Seminary, gave a presentation on Erskine to the presbytery. Rev. Joey Donahue was then called upon to pray for Erskine and prayed for the Board of Trustees of Erskine as its members search for a new president for the college and seminary.

After announcements, there being no further business for the evening, the meeting recessed until the following morning. Moderator Yarman closed with prayer and a benediction.

#### **Tuesday Morning, October 8, 2013**

The meeting of MVP reconvened at 8:30 a.m. Moderator Mike Yarman opened in prayer, and Rev. Meredith Cavin led the presbytery in morning worship by preaching a sermon from Ezekiel 34:6-16, entitled "The Seriousness of Shepherding."

The presbytery considered an overture from General Synod concerning the proposed revised Form of Government. It was noted that the presbytery would discuss the revised Form of Government at this meeting, and that church sessions were instructed to examine the document in preparation for a vote at the spring meeting of MVP. There was much discussion on the document, particularly the issue of inactive membership rolls. The Principal Clerk was asked to see about sending out a list of changes between the old and revised Forms of Government to the churches of the presbytery.

There was no written report from the Board of Dunlap Retirement Center. Rev. Meredith Cavin, the current chairman of the board, gave an update, as did Mr. Milton Murphy, a member of the board. Both spoke in great appreciation of board member Gene Tate, who recently passed away unexpectedly.

The presbytery heard an address from Mrs. Marge Smith, President of Mississippi Valley Presbyterial Union of ARP Women's Ministries. Rev. Bill Everett made a motion that Mrs. Smith's comments be included in the Minutes of Presbytery (seconded, passed). (See **Appendix B**).

The commission report for the installation of Rev. Kent Moorlach as pastor of the Richland ARP Church was presented and adopted by the presbytery (see **Appendix C**).

The commission report for the reception of the Ellisville Presbyterian Church and the installation of Rev. Benjamin Glaser as pastor of that church was presented and adopted by the presbytery (see **Appendix D**).

The commission report for the installation of Rev. Gary Jones as pastor of the Hernando Presbyterian Church was presented and adopted by the presbytery (see **Appendix E**).

A letter by Rev. Jodie Gaston updating his preparations for mission work in Wales was read to the presbytery (see **Appendix F**). Dr. Al Harrington was asked to pray for Rev. Gaston and his work.

The Principal Clerk made an announcement concerning the request for suggestions and comments to be sent to Synod's Committee on Revising the Book of Discipline. Rev. Alex Coblentz, a member of Synod's committee, also addressed the presbytery about the document and the request.

A letter from the Covington Presbyterian Church requesting the dissolving of the church by the presbytery was presented (see **Appendix G**). Mr. Marshall Snodgrass made a motion to grant the request of the church (seconded). There was much discussion. Mr. Milton Murphy (an elder at Covington) and Rev. Matthew Heathman (the church's pastor) addressed the presbytery concerning the reasons for the request. Low attendance numbers and a decrease in giving were cited. The church is currently down to only three households.

The order of the day was reached, and the presbytery recessed for committee meetings.

#### **Recess for Committee Meetings (10 a.m.)**

Discussion continued regarding the request from the Covington Presbyterian Church. A vote was taken on the matter. The motion passed, effectively dissolving the church. Rev. Benjamin Glaser was asked to pray for the situation. A motion was made to form a moderator's commission to oversee the aftermath of the dissolution of the congregation (seconded). After discussion, the motion passed.

The Report of the Committee on Nominations was presented to the presbytery (see **Appendix H**). The report was amended to substitute Mike Thomason's name in place of Ed Dees as a Trustee of MVP. The report as amended was adopted by the presbytery.

The Stewardship Committee Report was presented to the presbytery (see **Appendix I**). It was noted in the report that John Robinson had been elected as the new Treasurer of MVP and Carl Patterson's name was added as an additional signatory on the accounts of presbytery. There was further discussion on the report. The report was adopted by the presbytery. Rev. Bill Everett was asked to pray for the Tate family due to the recent death of Mr. Tate.

The Treasurer's Report was presented to the presbytery (see **Appendix J**). The report was adopted by the presbytery.

The report of the Mississippi Valley Presbytery Education Fund Committee was presented to the presbytery (see **Appendix K**). The report was adopted by the presbytery.

The report of the Moderator's Committee on Sessional Records was presented to the presbytery (see **Appendix L**). The report was adopted by the presbytery.

The order of the day was reached, and Rev. Dan Hazen was called on to pray for the lunch meal.

#### Order of the Day (Lunch - noon)

Presbytery reconvened at 1 p.m. with a season of prayer.

The report of the Minister and His Work Committee was presented to the presbytery (see **Appendix M**). The report was amended to include Al Harrington as the stated supply of the Ebenezer Presbyterian Church. A question was asked about Rev. Mike Garvey's status as stated supply of the Wood Avenue and Hickory Springs churches. Mr. Marshall Snodgrass stated that he would see that the churches be contacted with regard to Rev. Garvey. The recommendations were approved and the report was adopted as amended.

The ONA Committee report was presented to the presbytery (see **Appendix N**). Each of the recommendations was considered individually. The first recommendation was amended to include seeking the input of Outreach North America in finding church planting candidates (seconded). The recommendation as amended was approved. Recommendation 2 was then considered. After much discussion, the question was called, and the recommendation was voted on and passed. Recommendations 3 and 4 were considered and both recommendations passed. Recommendation 5 was then considered. An amendment was offered to the recommendation: that Larry Littlejohn be allowed to resign as presbytery's representative to the Wood Avenue and Hickory Springs churches (seconded). After discussion, the recommendation as amended passed. The report was then adopted. After the report was adopted, Martha Dees informed the presbytery that the Wood Avenue Presbyterian Church had received a grant from the Arkansas Historical Society to do necessary repairs to the building, and this would be very helpful for the church.

The Christian Education Committee report was presented to presbytery (see **Appendix O**). During the report, a short promotional video for MVP Camp was shown. The recommendations from the committee were then considered. The recommendation to bless

Thomas Graves with a gift of no more than \$1000 was considered and passed. The recommendation to distribute evaluation forms passed. The recommendation to reimburse travel expenses for Christian Education Ministries passed. The recommendations to hold the fall retreat at Camp of the Rising Son, to include college students, and to invite Kent Moorlach as the speaker, passed. The recommendation to update the signatures on the Christian Education bank account was considered and discussed. The recommendation was amended to change the current signatories of the bank account to Rev. Dan Hazen, Mr. Larry Treadaway, and Mr. John Robinson. The amendment was seconded and passed. The recommendation as amended then passed. The report as a whole was then adopted by the presbytery. A motion was made to commend Dan Hazen on the recent MVP summer camp (seconded, passed).

It was announced that the Spring 2014 meeting of MVP would be held at the Ellisville Presbyterian Church. Mr. Marshall Snodgrass rose and made a motion to extend an invitation from the Gospel of Grace Church to host the Fall 2014 meeting of MVP. The motion was seconded and passed.

A motion was made to dispense with the reading and adoption of the minutes and to adjourn (seconded, passed). After announcements, the meeting concluded with the singing of "Christian Unity," followed by a closing prayer by Rev. Bill Everett.

### Mississippi Valley Presbytery Fall Stated Meeting New Albany Presbyterian Church October 7 & 8, 2013

4.00 Registration

6:00 Suppor

7:00 Evening Worship

#### Service of Worship

McKechnie When I Survey the Wandrous Cross The Proluce

Call to Worship

Let Us Love and Sing and Worder \*Home, No. 172.1-5.

\*The Invocation

Psalm 51 (page 804) Responsive Reading

Prayer of Confession and Hunksgiving.

Behold the Lamb The Anthem Remans 9:1-24

The Reading of God's Word The Mysters of Mercy The Proclamation of God's Word And Can It Be Fan I Should Gain

\*Hymn, No. 455.1-3.

Transaction Proclams Stene Britain Port of Stone Care MIN A NOTE OF

\*Inglivense had

The war of the support North Control of the Production 1 2 3 3 4 7 7

#### Brief Reges

M. A. L. & Marchana Countries of the Society of Proper

A March 18 Contract to be the contract

Company of the Self.

lensurations.

And the Administration Proportion for the Property

Acceptance Render March Sci.

Notes that the Newton and American Section Reports

Park John Nove Managar of Moderate Con-

And the Ma Day of Mar 2 and skill of the street

I di Sie Bushins

American area

Micheller (Masch, 1991) Lava Barroaks, coston

Barrier British

#### Unisday

4 4	Some and policy over the first terms or regions.	i is boranta il in 1916. Greek (1918) bil
	Marine Committee and the work of	The State of the State of
	Table No. 2 A L.2 L. Barrier	i Maria di Masayara Maraza kanta Samar
	<ul> <li>See that the second and the months of the second of the sec</li></ul>	
	the and Masses pp. Volumbrase of Physics S. 1934.	i. 150 ) Belos, Margo Sirash Picochuit
	Business	
	Recess for Commutee Work	
	Reconvene for Business	
	Recess for Noon Meal Season of Prayer	
) D#9	Businesi atayar Businesi	
	Amazanement of Meeting Place for Spring 2014	
	Reading and Adoption of Minutes	
	Motion to Adjourn Song of Chastian Unity Closing Project and Benediction	Bible Song, No. 280

Welcome to New Albany Presbyterian Church! It is our pleasure to hast the fall racting of Mississippi Valley Presbytery and we hope you have a pleasant stay. May our followship togeth it he sweet as we gather in our Savia or's great name and may He pulde and bless the work we do to 51 advancement of His kingdom and to Historical glory?



#### Export Mississip Valley Eresbyth (c.

Mill with World Prospins a main of West Momen's Ministric Respection Separate

#### 10 15 16 2, 21 14

Merch Teacher will be a country on the species of despite the will remote Mississippi walley. Preshyters for the Adjust a Section of the Adjust and the Adjust a section of the Adjust and the Adju

The line is a winner outlook in a construction of an above the second second particles and particles are not in a construction of a constr

Acknowledging the changing lifestyle of our women and the changing structure of ARP Women's Ministrics, in August the prespyterial executive board authorized the appointment of a committee to recommend amendments to our constitution and bylaws. Questionnaires were mailed to every pastor and to women in each congregation. Responses include such suggestions as replacing the annual meeting with regional speeting, more emphasis on spiritual growth and Christian fellowship, and better communication.

The speaken for our meeting in August, Mrs. Camille Kendall, challenged us to venture beyond our machine to sell by intention of versching a viriable of the day a became whole our great (Dannel 33) intentions to a selection of the day out of the day out of the name of hit Son hit is Contained from one and the selection of the day of the name of the selection of the selection

As A in the material protection in the electric parameter Proceeds, 14.3. Committee the fore wreathing and the interfer will be considered.

Proceed the car particle

Let property

Provided through the by thekey to a complete Assembly's Ministrick

The Installation Service for the Rev. Kent Moorlach was held at 3:00 P.M. on June 2, 2013 at the Richland A.R.P. Church. After the officiates were led into the sanctuary by a bagpiper, the Rev. Meredith Cavin led the antiphonal call to worship and after the singing of "Before the Lord We Bow", he offered the Invocation. The Rev. Charles Todd gave the welcome and the Rev. Matthew Heathman read Ezekiel 33:1-9 and I Timothy 4:6-16 and led in the recitation of the Apostles Creed. The Questions for Installation were asked by the Rev. Joey Donahue, all of which were answered in the affirmative by the Rev. Kent Moorlach and the congregation. The Charge to the Pastor was brought by the Rev. Charles Todd and the Charge to the Congregation by order beth Stark. Peakin 1.3° and Amazing Grace were then some and after the Bev. Moor ash offered the beneat chan, a reception was held in Memoria. It all when everyone enjoyed.

Respectionly submitted

Charles Y. Todd

# Commission of the Mississippi Valley Presbytery Meeting Minutes August 18, 2013

The Commission of the Mississippi Valley Presbytery met for a called meeting on March 18, 2013 at the Ellisville Presbyterian Church in Ellisville, MS at 1730.

Present were Rev. Mike Yarman, Moderator of Mississippi Valley Presbytery, Rev. Dr. David Storment, Leakesville ARP Church, Rev Ben Glaser, Michael Shotwell, Clerk of Session, Ellisville Presbyterian Church, Dr. Charlie Probst, Ruling Elder Emeritus, Ellisville Presbyterian Church, and Mr. Cary Williams, Ruling Elder Leakesville ARP Church.

Rev. Yarman called the meeting to order at 1730 and the opening prayer was offered by Rev. Ben Glaser. Mr. Shotwell was asked to serve as Secretary.

Rev. Yarman reviewed the purposes of the Commission.

- 1. To receive the Ellisville Presbyterian Church into the Mississippi Valley Presbytery.
- 2. To install Rev. Ben Glaser as the pastor of the Ellisville Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Yarman reviewed the order of service (see attached) which includes the following duties.

- Rev. Mike Yarman will preach the installation sermon entitled "How will they hear" from Romans 10:5-17.
- Rev. David Storment will administer the vows of installation and the charge to Rev. Ben Glaser.
- Mr. Williams will administer the vows of membership to the congregation.
- Rev. Yarman will administer the vows to the ruling elders and declare the church received into the Mississippi Valley Presbytery.
- Rev. Ben Glaser will pronounce the Benediction

The meeting was adjourned at 1750 with prayer by Rev Yarman.

Respectfully submitted, Michael Shotwell, Secretary

 Ellisville, Mississippi	The Ellisville Presh
ississippi	Presbyterian Church, ARP

His Lad Clar

Service of Installation and Reception

6:00 P.M.

Waterne and Amannatic to

CHOOLING TOWN VILLEY 

\* Hac Call to Worship

\*Contesson of Supplied to a 18 of a 18 day

Old Tstamen Reading

Placeman of Canada be seen as a

Charge to Yearly Install of Alle

Page of Tankspiring

Pastoral Payor 7.02 

Manna Ted

The Semion

Salm of Regionse. "Behild How Good a Thing"

THOUSE OF THE VIEW OF THE TOTAL FOR

THE WINDSHIP OF THE PROPERTY O

estaman of Recovery and Chare to the Congression of

Closing Hynn "The Chirch's One Foundation"

Senediction From God's Word

# Welcome

a neroyalina of Jesus Christ with the Mississippi Valley Presistants the district air brother and sisters in the Mississippi Celles Destrictly for their warm his product and especially the form he want to welcome you to ourservice of worship this evening it is 132° and the installation of Rev. Begjanin P. Olaset as an Polici assistant hirakof Laksvilla Nissisipa forther signil Messing to have you with is as we calculate the uniting of the

# Participants

TABLE SERVE The hand Statement . A book of Several Effective the free type commended the second control of the second cont on Make Yamian. A CONTRACT CHARGE · Challe Path in Williams ... Moderator, Mississippi Valley Piesbyten REPROBLEMENTAL PROBLEMENT CARROLL SERVICE Ruling Editor, Faith Prodynamics Church Pasky Ellissille Presignation (Tene) Picker, Early Decky with Chine 1988

्र का मेर्राज्य केमोझुर क्षार्य में इस्टी मनेन्द्रीए के बेर्ड्स स्ट्रेस मेट्ट क्षार्यमान् इस्ट The place and the gift old is an old which has given but The transfer of the figure and the force force of the throughout the force A flavority of the fire

MENT of the committee to the second of the commence of the committee of th

The Commission to Initali Revidenvillare vas pastor of the Bernardo ARP Church met at 4:45 at the Church on August 25.

Present: Rev Chanes Tood Channean of the Minister and His work Connuition, Rev Joe Destance Paston of the Providence ARP Chanth, John Tucker paston of the Chaceview ARP Charch, Mr David Sholik and Mr Steve Rice.

The Commission was called to cross by the Chairman and the meeting opened with proves

The following order of worship was coopted.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer: Steve Rice

Hymn

Scripture Reading and Sermon: Joey Donahue

Hyrran

Reaffirmation of Ordination Vows; Installation Questions;

Congregational Question; Declaration Installation: Charles

Todd

Charge to Pastor and Proyer for Eastor - John Eucker.

Charge to Congregation and Proper for Congregations David Strock

Hygna

Benediktion: Gary

The Commission candidded its work with the Beado cook

Respectfully Substitled





#### JODIE S THIA GASTON

if Brook to the Jane Textors, 60 19687

udiale: 554,590,893**1** <u>pale godon <sup>2</sup> zem stoniorg</u>

Tand- 954-436-1624 tend poston | periscoon, or a patton and et com

#### Fathers and Brethren:

I wanted to write to give you a brief report of our progress towards our mission to serve in Wales. We have currently reached 50% of the funds we need for lounch. We anticipate reaching our lounch goalby the end of this year. We still need churches and individuals who are willing to partner with us through regular financial support in the future. We currently need approximately \$2500 per month in biedges to be fully funded.

We have registered to attend CIT (The Center for Intercultural Training) in February 2014, and we anticipate being in Wales later in the Spring. We are currently working with an educational consultant to plan out our children's education. The current plan is to begin homeschooling in January and to continue until we depart for Wales.

On a more personal note. I am continuing to recover from ankle surgery. When we were in Wales in July, I was running and ruptured two tendons in my ankle. I underwent surgery three weeks ago. Since then, I have been in a cast. In two more weeks I will be but in a walking boot and begin physical therapy. Needless to say, not being able to drive has been difficult, but we are thankful that there have been no complications thus far

Here are some ways that you and your churches can be praying for us

- Pray for continued healing for my ankle and that no complications will develop during the healing process.
- Pray for wisdom in planning our children's education. Pray for stability in that process as we will be spending a significant amount of time traveling the coming months.
- 3. Pray for continued development partnerships in the gospel.
- Proy that we will be diligent in our continued preparation for interpultural training and service on the field.

Thanks again for all your support and prayers to coming days. We look forward to keeping you all informed as we continue on this journey.

Sinderely yours.

uodie Gaston Cooperative Missionary Appointee World Witness & Greater Europe Mission



# Covington Associate Reformed Presbuterian Church

153 70 Herolongton Auc P.O. Box 217 Covington. 7H 58019 (901) 476-2222

S. Matthew Weathman Paston

August 18, 2013

There was a called Congregational Meeting after marning worship. The nurpose was to discuss the concerns and finuse of the exaction to the following the experiment finuse of the exaction to the highest the concerns and finuse of

The freetry was period with projecting Rev Eleatarian

Landau reliated by the according to and

(4) A Wigner and a many contraverable and another entering in any ower. As not the symbols what are throughout and of hard Many seconds. Moreover, it is a first of the Many seconds.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer by I ider Richard Moore

August 25, 2013

The continuation of the called Congregational Meeting of August 18 was held after morning worship. A quorum being processor the morning worship to order to the the thought to order to the continues.

alle in actions some and occupant for over the Recolling ration

(1) Continue moved to the expression of section to be a feeting of a refer to the policy ORD of a discovery.
 (1) In the expression of the moved continue to the expression.

3 r. 7. dysfamin arov. (8), consists the minors of social Cong. Wans see a con-No supmassis

Norma Turner moved we adjourn after prayer. Leals Healboant seconded. Visition passed.

Meeting was closed with prayer by Elder Richard Moore.

## Report of the Committee on Nominations Mississippi Valley Presbytery



 $L \gtrsim 0 \, \rm games may on Avon sections matrix a small on Deteboric (2013) to final correcommendations for Presbytery.$ 

Respectfully submitted, Howard Wheeler, Chairman,

#### Recommendations:

1. That the following recommendations for service be approved by Presbytery.

Name	Position of Service	Term
Eric Krust	Carria	Immediately - 2015
John Robinson	Treasurer of MVP	Immediately 2017
Solders mile Theman	Traster of MVP	n/a :
Milton Murchy	Trustee of MVP	n/a

(Note: This report was amended and Mike Thomason's name was substituted in place of Edwin Dees as Trustee of MVP.)

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT TO THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY OCTOBER 7-8, 2013, NEW ALBANY A.R. P. CHURCH, NEW ALBANY, MISSISSIPPI

It is with great sadness that the Stewardship Committee prepares its report this fall without input from our beloved treasurer, Mr. Gene Tate, who was called home to his Father on August 2, 2013. His dedication to this Presbytery was unequal and we are thankful for the privilege of knowing this servant of our Lord.

The attached proposed budget for 2014 is made using estimated receipts from the churches based on (1) membership per the 2012 Synod Minutes, or (2) prior year's contribution, or (3) contributions to date in 2013. In 2012 all but one church contributed to the MS Valley Presbytery budget and we express our appreciation to all of you. With each church participating we are able to fund the Presbytery operating cost as well as support two major causes, Dunlap Retirement Center and the MS Valley Presbytery Camp. All proposed expenditures are the same as 2013.

In the proposed budget also is the \$10,000.00 from Parkway Place Part D Funds for support of the Hernando ARP Church that was approved at the March 2013 Presbytery meeting. A total of \$20,000.00 was approved for their support from Parkway Place Part D Funds. Payments are to be made from March 2013 through October 2014.

To make the transition to a new treasurer, the Stewardship Committee makes the following recommendations:

- 1. That the minutes show John Robinson was elected Treasurer of MS Valley Presbytery effective 10/8/2013 and beginning 10/8/2013 is authorized to sign checks, make deposits, withdrawals, invest funds and other financial business of the Presbytery as needed.
- 2. That Carl Patterson be approved as an authorized signer on accounts of Presbytery along with the new treasurer-elect in #1.
- 3. That Rev. William B. Everett and Carl Patterson be approved as an authorized signers on all checking accounts of the Presbytery and any and all certificates of deposits owned by the Presbytery at BNA Bank, New Albany, MS, Renasant Bank, New Albany, MS, and Bancorp South Bank, New Albany, MS until such time as the new treasurer in number (1) above may relocate funds to a bank nearer his home town.
- 4. That the name of Mr. Gene Tate be removed from all financial documents pertaining to the Mississippi Valley Presbytery, including checking accounts and certificates of

- deposits at BNA Bank, New Albany, MS, Renasant Bank, New Albany, and Bancorp South Bank, New Albany, MS
- 5. That Andy Coburn be removed as a signer on checking account 01-620260-03, MS Valley Presbytery Associate Reform Presbyterian Church, Christian Education Committee, at BNA Bank, New Albany, MS, since Rev. Coburn is no longer a member of this Presbytery. Rev. Dan Hazen and Mr. Charles Browning are signers also on this account and need to remain.
- 6. That Presbytery, in appreciation of Mr. Tate's service as Treasurer of our Presbytery and also a member of the Dunlap Retirement Center Board, stand while a special prayer of gratefulness for this servant be rendered and that the Clerk notify Mr. Tate's family of this recognition.

In addition, the Stewardship Committee makes recommendations 7 and 8 below:

- 7. that Presbytery request the Dunlap Retirement Center Board to furnish the Presbytery Treasurer a copy of the Retirement Center's latest audit report for his records.
- 8. That churches make their checks payable to the Mississippi Valley Presbytery, not to the name of the treasurer, while paying their commitment.

As mentioned in our reports over the years it is very important that matters which are going to require financial support from Presbytery be presented to the Stewardship Committee for consideration prior to being brought to the floor of Presbytery. The funds of Presbytery, especially in the Parkway Place accounts, have dwindled and caution must be used.

Respectively submitted,

Martha Dees Stewardship Chairperson

### MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY PROPOSED 2014 BUDGETS – ALL FUNDS

\$ 200

## **GENERAL FUND for OPERATIONS**

Receipts from Mississippi	Valley Presbytery Churches:
Rethany	

Bethany	\$ 300.
Brighton	1,000.
Covington	250.
Ebenezer	400.
Ellisville	300.
Elsberry	100.
Faith	750.
French Camp	800.
Gospel of Grace	690.
Graceview	750.
Gum Tree	690.
Havana Mission Church	100.
Helena	250.
Hernando Reformed	300.
Hickory Springs	40.
Hopewell	200.
Midlane Park	380.
Mt. Zion	280.
New Albany	2,000.
New Geneva	490.
Pottsville	350.
Providence Reformed	300.
Richland	500.
Salem	1,600.
Sharon	190.
Wood Avenue	<u>140</u> .

Receipts from churches \$13,150. @95% collection =

## \$12,493.

MVP Share of 2013 ONA Endowment 200.

\_\_\_\_\_\$

# \$12,693.

### Expenditures:

Dunlap Retirement Center	\$2,200. (same)
MVP Christian Education	5,000. (same)
MS Valley Presbyterial Annual Retreat	500. (same)
Administrative cost (supplies, postage, etc.)	2,000. (same)

**Total Estimated Receipts** 

Minister & His Works Committee operations	400. (same)	
Stewardship Committee	100. (same)	
		Appendix I
Nominations Committee	200. (same)	
C. E. Ministries Committee	500. (same)	
MVP ONA Committee	500. (same)	
Committees & Officer Travel	400. (same)	
Special Committees/Commissions Expenses	400. (same)	
Total Expenditures		

\$12,200.

MVP/ONA Revitalization Expenses <u>200.</u>

## **Total Estimated Expenses General Fund**

\$12,400.

Difference between estimated receipts and estimated expenditures 293.

\$

## **Parkway Place Part D Funds**

Hernando ARP Church (Support January – October 2014) **\$10,000.** 

(Approved at the March 2013 Presbytery Meeting)

# TREASURER'S REPORT - MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY OCTOBER 7-8, 2013

Attached you will find the following items: MVP 2013 Budget showing receipts and expenditures through September 30, 2013, a spreadsheet showing the monthly receipts from churches, a listing of individual expenditures for the year, and the cash balances/fund balances sheet for January 1, 2013 through September 30,2013.

The cash balance/fund balance sheet shows the Dunlap Retirement Home 12/31/2012 book value that Mr. Tate used. Since Dunlap Retirement Center is wholly owned by Mississippi Valley Presbytery, Mr. Tate included this as an asset of the Presbytery. The new book value as established by the CPA who audits and reports on Dunlap needs to be submitted to the Treasurer.

To date 16 churches have paid all or part of their 2013 commitment. Churches are encouraged to pay your commitment as soon as possible. Several churches have started paying either monthly or quarterly and we encourage them and others to continue this practice.

Please have the person who pays bills at your church verify what is showing on the list agrees with their records. Let me know if your record shows something different. Remember the commitment is \$10.00 per active member per your Statistical Report to Synod.

Martha Dees Stewardship Chairman

# Appendix J

	••					OU TOTAL ALL BUSINESS
	*****	•				32 Interest on General rund
:						
.50	\$3,402.50		\$250.00	540,07750	_ \$13,230.00	20 Teta Recepts from charates
8	\$0.00		\$20,00	00.0715	\$12000	29 Wood Avenue, Menticello, AR
.00	\$190.00				50000	Se Sharm Red to the
.00	50.00			SUC39115	\$1,600.00	27 Salem, Atoka, To
0\$	m / 1 · 1 · 1			35000	\$1308.\$	26 Richland, Rosemark, TV
.00	\$450.00			525000	CJ-059\$	25 Providence, Sarriert, TN
.00	\$360.00		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	<b>.</b>	535000	24 Pottsvilo, AR
8	\$0.00		\$30,00	54300 j	\$460.00	23 Now German, Part 11 All XX
8	\$577.50			51.452.50	, <b>52,040.0</b> 0	22 New Albany, MS
8	\$0.00			S28200	\$280 00	21 Mt. Zen, Toy, MO
8	\$60.00	v		\$300C	CO 0885	20 Miciane Park, Louisville, Kr
8	\$300.00				. 530013	10 Hopeway, New Albany, NS
8	\$40.00	:	•		. S40.00	18 Dickory Springs, AR
8	\$300.00				\$300 to:	17 hernando Reformed, Hernando MS
8	\$250.00				\$250 CC	16 Refera, Mass Point, MS
8	\$140.00				\$140 C	Edward Mission, Havana, AR
8	\$0.00		\$20.00	3650.00	20.0234	14 Cum Tree, Tubelo, VIS
8	\$0.00	•	\$160.00	\$690.00	20.0655	13 Gospel of Grace, Springfield, MC
8	\$75.00			5675 00	(210805)	12 Gradediew: Southhever, MS
8	\$0.00	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	\$20.00	00.0035	\$780.03	Franch Cares, M5
8	\$30.00			5250.00	\$780.03	10 Fait's Prescyterian, Leckess Fe MS
8	\$10.00			\$100.00	\$110.00	Elscert, VO
				ı		8 Enscille Prospyter an, Ellisy 46 Ats
8	\$0.00			_00 co#@	\$400,00	Edward, Blackling MS
00	\$290.00				\$2806	5 Covingon TX
90	\$120.00		74.7.00	00.0868	00/001145	Enighton, IN
00	\$210.00			. 1	acuses.	4 Jeethary, Guardan, MS
			:			*** RECEIPTS
· ·	Budget	Expended	Adjustment Expended		;	2
	Remaining		Budget .	Collected	Budgettett	
G	7	m	Ç	ľ	r	

Appendix J

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	8	C		m	71.
1 MAR Bridget 2013	ਲੋਗ <b>ਾਊeted</b>	Collected	Budget Adjustment	Expended	Remaining
34 Receipt Ross Exploration		S104 20		\$104.20	
	***************************************				
37 EXPENSES				•	
38 Direct Surport:			٠		
30 Dunlap Retirement Conten	52,200.00			\$2,200.00	
40 NVP Christian Education	\$5,000.00		•	\$5,000.00	:‴)
41 NVP Annual Retreat	5500.00				
42 Operating Expenses:					
43   (Supplies postage printing etc.	\$2,000.00			\$580.78	\$1.419.22
44 Contrittee Expenses					
45 Minister and Mix Works	\$400.00				
46 Stewardship	3100.00				
47 Nonthations	5200.00		•		
18 Christian Edu. Winistries Com.	\$500.00				
45 CVA Committee	3500.00				
50 Committees & Officer Travel	\$400.00				
51 Specia Conm/Coarmissions Exp.	\$400.00		:	\$435.71	(0.00 71)
52 MVP/CNA Revite Dation Loomses	\$200.00		\$620.44	\$820,44	**************************************
53 Total Expenses	S12,400.00		\$13,020.44	\$9,035.93	\$3,983.51
15 Pecass of Recureer/Ladde becomes	5429.56		· · · · · ·	•	
A CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACTOR		*		•	•
57 Parkway Place Fund Part D			v - v- 20 <del>v</del>	•	
THE SECTION OF CHARLES SHOULD			\$10,000.00	\$8,000.00	<b>\$2</b> 170 @

# Appendix J

	51						新加州 (1) 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
							100
		î.					
						1. 1. 1.	1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1
				:	:		** ** -*
							•
3. 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1							
		:•	<u> </u>	\$4.00 PM			7 6 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
=	×	***	0.000	1 10 10 10		:. ~	
			÷	*** ***			Manufacture of the second of t
						٧	The second of th
		. «					
							* :
		-	> <b>81141</b>				-:
						4.7	
	****						

# Appendix J

ì			,	<u> </u>	
;	.i	Ę1	.1	.	
,`. 3	Date	Çk, #	Pard to from		
1 1		5.0°. W	- BNA Gank Account		:
4	· ·		TO THE STATE OF THE STATE OF		
3					
1 6	1				
	†·				
3					
	•		•		•
10	:				
			• •		
12	4				
1.3	•				
14	Date	1.k. v	fished to more		
15			Renasant Bank Account		
10	1/0/2013	2135	P. Roger, Havana Te	€184.68	The Gas well teen pt
17	1/12/2013		Tim Phillips		postage, copies
18	1/21/2013	2137	Dunlap Retirement	\$2,200.00	2013 Allatment
19	1/29/2013	Debit	Deluxe Checks	\$96.25	Checks
20	3/5/2013		MVP C.E. Fund	\$5,000.00	2013 Allotment
21	3/5/2013		Hernando Presbytrian Church		March support
22	3/5/2013		General Synod ARP Church		Inv. 41712, Conficallire: divide Presby.
23	4/9/2013		Susan Bailey, Hernando		Presby, Revitalization workshop cost
74	4/9/2013		Hernando Presbytrian Church	. **** . ******************************	April support
25	5/1/2013		Hernando Presbytrian Church		May support
26	6/1/2013		Hernando Presbytrian Church	,	June support
27	4/23/2013		Larry Little ohn		Travel Wood Avenue Church
28	5/23/2013		Larry littlejohn	*	Travel, Warren, AR
29	5/20/2013		Outreach North America		Ken Priddy Expenses MVP
30	7/1/2013		Hernando Presbytrian Church		July support
31	8/1/2013		Hernando Presbytrian Church		August support
32	9/1/2013	,	Hernando Presbytrian Church	\$1,000.00	Sept. Support (pd before Mr. Tate died
33	7/30/2013		Tim Phillips		Presby Minutes and postage
34	9/18/2013	2365	Hernando Presbytrian Church	\$1,000.00	Ort, Support
15			Sum total	237 + 40 C2	
[36]			5V\$ (0\$a)	, \$17.041 SS	

Appendix J

Aug Aug Cur Aug Aug Aug Aug Aug	\$54,964.57				\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	4. Por file control of the control o
	\$15,722.28 \$618,000,54	\$10x 60	1674473 14797473	\$10.00	4 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	
	\$21,635.72 \$200,000.00 \$250,000.00 \$44,853,47				1000 1000 1000 1000 1000 1000 1000 100	A PART OF RECORDS
	585,799 (0	210 <del>4</del> 5	\$2 00 00	\$10077 50		LE Schend bulances (anuany 1, 2013)
9707013	\$140,000,54	\$104 60	16 P26 25	16 P.Cu 25   USI L/0'015		The second of th
	\$50,000.00 \$150,000.00 \$130,000.00 \$130,000.00				1	A STATE OF THE STA
	Sec. (10)	3104 60	16 P26 25	08 ECCD18	3 ° 1 × 1 × 1 × 1 × 1 × 1 × 1 × 1 × 1 × 1	
	50 regists 0	\$10% <b>6</b> 0	\$1.840 17	\$4535.00 \$1.840.17		Service Servic
	Fig. 57,875,673 6 57,875,67	<b>B</b> ass	100 (1)	Receipt Nucherches SSLC42.50	 7 3 €3.	A CAST EX CECTS ON LINE E CONTRACT CONT
		p	0			, A

#### Appendix K

The Amball menting of the INT was book Washing Presbyterion and Latitude, function in the examined on August 27° of the Salam church at 74°M. If one in afteridance were beyonbodies louid, burrary Hughestoning Rammage, and Bandy Gooden.

File meeting was opened with or garley flavional ad Topo-

The monator of the previous meeting were an action approxima-

The Mark Oreco (specifics) we summarish diappearance.

Plus meus

- Totals are no reconstituted for for execution or me-
- The risks of the isomer to be pass bery of investing a partition of the allow-top-of-league the kild-Fermation from The current interest partitions, lower insured by the Armade to the second control of a various partitions and administrators which gave information about how funds could be handled. A decision was made to take the matter in properful consideration, investigate further and make a recommendation at the spring presbytery on investment changes.

The meeting was closed in prayer by firmy Rammage.

Randy Goulder

# Mississippi Valley Presbytery Associate Reformed Presbyterian Educational Fund Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Net Assets Resulting From Cash Transactions For the Year Ended August 31, 2013

RECEIP <u>IS AND APPULIO</u> NS:	
Interest income - certificate of deposit No. 1	476,30
Interest income certificate of deposit No. 2	105.21
Total Receipts and Additions	273.60
DISBURSEMENTS AND DEDUCTIONS:	
Disbursements	<u>000.00</u>
Increase in Net Assets	275.60
Net Assets Balance, September 1, 2012	77,483.73
Net Assets Balance, August 31, 2013	\$ 77,759.33
NET ASSETS REPRESENTED BY:	
Cash in the bank checking-Regions Bank Covington, TN	\$ 2,759.33
Cash in the bank certificate of deposit. No. I -BancorpSouth Covington, TN (Matures 11/10/13 at 0.35%)	45,000.00
Cash in the bank certificate of deposit No. 2 -Regions Bank Covingtion, TN (Matures 17/15/13 at 0.3501.)	<u> 30,</u> 000.00
"Net Assets, August 31, 2013	\$ 77,754,33

GNet Assets Tonochalf restricted at August 31, 2013, 5,38,879,671

#### Appendix L

The Committee on Sessional Records met October 8, 2013. Chairman Matthew Heathman, Gary Clowers, Kerry Rogers, and Carl Patterson were present. The meeting was opened with prayer by Matthew Heathman.

Approved without exception:

Ellisville Presbyterian Church
Gum Tree Presbyterian Church
Providence Reformed ARP Church
Bethany ARP Church
Ebenezer ARP Church
Mt. Zion ARP Church
Elsberry ARP Church
New Geneva ARP Church
French Camp ARP Church

With Exception:

Hopewell ARP Church – No closing prayer January, 2013 and no rules for record keeping in book. Brighton ARP Church – Missing December 16<sup>th</sup> minutes and minutes for Congregational Meeting.

Not Presented:

Richland ARP Church Pottsville ARP Church Havana ARP Church

Kerry Regen closed the meeting in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Heathman

# Minister and His Work Mississippi Valley Presbytery, ARP

October 7, 2013 4:00pm

#### Members Present

Rev. Charles Todd, Chairman

Rev. Benjamin P. Glaser, Secretary

Rev. John Tucker, Rev. Zech Schiebout, RE John Robinson, RE Kerry Regan, RE Steve McCollum

#### Minutes of the Meeting

The meeting was constituted with prayer by Charles Todd at 4:00pm. The committee heard from the Gumtree ARP Church who notified the committee that their Stated Supply Charles Covington continues to make progress in his course of study through RTS and has completed 19 hours in his 60 hour program.

The committee then met with David Patterson, a member of the Ellisville ARP Church, regarding his sense of call, his Christian testimony, his work in the Ellisville church, and his future plans for ministry and the completion of his theological education.

Next we met with Kevin Myers of the New Geneva Community Church, ARP who was meeting with the committee to further understand his sense of call and the committee discussed his future plans for his ongoing ministry and his education.

Finally, the committee spoke with Matthew Heathman concerning his situation with the Covington ARP Church and his future plans concerning the ministry and his and his family's welfare.

The meeting was adjourned by prayer at 5:27pm by the Rev. Zech Schiebout.

#### Recommendations

- 1) That the Mississippi Valley Presbytery approve the Stated Supply positions of Charles Todd at the Sharon ARP Church, Conrad Cheatham at the Mt. Zion and Elsberry ARP Churches, and Charles Covington at the Gumtree ARP Church.
- 2) That the Mississippi Valley Presbytery instruct the Rev. Benjamin P. Glaser to continue to meet regularly with David Patterson for prayer and instruction and assist him in finding work and finishing his education.
- 3) That the Mississippi Valley Presbytery instruct the Rev. Don Watkins to continue his mentorship of Kevin Myers affirm his current work in the church and his wider vocation and that he continue to have his call to the ministry clarified.
- 4) That the Mississippi Valley Presbytery approves the Church Transition Package provided to Matthew Heathman by the Covington ARP Church and that the Presbytery would continue to pray for Rev. Heathman and his future plans in the ministry.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Benjamin P. Glaser, Secretary

#### Appendix N

#### ONA Committee meeting Mississippi Valley Presbytery August 27, 2013

Those present for the Skype voice meeting were Meredith Cavin, Don Watkins, Charles Bunner, David Strock, and Marshall Snodgrass

The meeting was opened with prayer by Don Watkins.

Charles Bunner began by bringing up the idea that work such as the Havana Church led by Moises Chan was similar to any mission work that was under the guidance of World Witness and should be supported as such. Discussion followed that perhaps the MVP should focus on starting a church plant. This idea was to be discussed in depth at the Fall MVP meeting and brought in front of Presbytery in our report. The idea was introduced that a sermon from Ezekiel 34 might be presented as an encouragement for shepherding to the leaders who represent the congregations of the MVP at the next meeting. Meredith volunteered to present the sermon.

David Strock gave a report on the work at Hernando ARP. He also reported on the installation of Gary Jones as the minister of Hernando.

Marshall brought up his discussions regarding Wood Avenue and Hickory Spring ARP churches. He reported that Larry Littlejohn had felt that it was not necessary to continue paying for his trip to those churches for monthly session meetings and that the same amount could be accomplished by using Skype for the meeting and save the MVP money. Marshall reported that in his correspondence with both churches little if any interest was held by the members regarding the ideas the ONA committee from the Spring meeting of the MVP. He then reported that he had corresponded by email and learned that some felt the MVP had no interest in them. Marshall then reported after receiving the letter that he asked specifically if the churches would send requests for help they found acceptable for their congregations to Marshall so he could bring it up at the fall MVP meeting. As of August 27<sup>th</sup> no further communication had been received.

Meredith gave a report on Covington and explained they were receiving some of the youth at their Wednesday night meetings. It was clarified that the congregation had voted on disbanding and that it would be presented as a request at the fall Presbytery meeting.

Marshall asked questions about the state of Erskine Seminary and College. Several added information regarding the outlook for the Seminary.

Marshall who had spoken with Mike Yarman prior to the night's meeting reported on the correspondence he had with Miles, one of the church planters in Jackson, MS. The question was raised as to what specifically was the reason the Minister and his works committee had found objection in the idea of bringing them into the MVP. Marshall said he would contact Rev. Charles Todd for an answer to that question and report back to the committee members.

Marshall made a request for topics for the Fall meetings of the ONA committee.

- 1.) Ask churches for a report of any specific actions resulting from the Priddy seminar.
- 2.) Check for additional website work by the churches.
- 3.) At Monday's meeting the devotion and opening prayer will be by Rev. Don Watkins and closing prayer will be by Charles Bunner.
- 4.) At Tuesday's committee meeting opening devotions will by by David Strock and closing prayer will be by Rev. Meredith Cavin.
- 5.) Charles Bunner brought up the idea of investing our money with Synod ARP Foundation. Steven Nichols is the person of contact. Marshall agreed to contact Mr. Nichols. Charles noted he would send contact information and financial information for which funds are coming due soon and could be transferred if approved by Presbytery.

Meredith made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by David Strock. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The closing prayer was given by Marshall

#### ONA Committee October 7, 2013

Those present were Don Watkins, David Strock, Charles Bunner, Meredith Cavin, Marshall Snodgrass, and Mike Yarman.

Don Watkins presented opening devotions from the book of Ecclesiastes. He then opened the meeting with prayer.

ONA questionnaire was looked at and discussed with the hope of gathering information regarding progress from the churches in attendance. Mike will announce at the Monday evening business meeting the need to have these filled out and returned to David Strock.

An update was given regarding the church from Wisconsin. Marshall reported he had spoken with the pastor and there was still work to be done regarding leaving their current denomination.

The idea of a church plant was brought up for discussion. Don Watkins gave a report they are going to daughter a church in Murray. Martha Dees met with the committee explaining source for funding for a church plant. It was appointed out that some Presbyteries have all the churches in the Presbytery give their offerings form one Sunday to ONA committee for church planting.

Reinvestment ideas were discussed and the committee supported bringing this up in our recommendations.

Questions were again raised regarding the church in Madison, Marshall agreed to talk with Charles Todd some more regarding this and report back to the committee on Tuesday.

It was agreed within the committee to ask Gary Jones to take a few minutes on Tuesday and let the committee know more regarding the progress at Hernando.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Charles Bunner.

Continuation of Fall 2013 meeting of the MVP

David Strock brought a devotional from 2 Samuel 6 on the Holiness of God. He then offered the opening prayer.

Gary Jones provided an update on the work at the Hernando Church.

Marshall provided an update on the church in Madison, MS after talking with the Chairman of the Minister and his Works Committee.

The results of the questionnaire were discussed and recommendations were made for involvement of key people in the church ministries. This increases the ownership and effectiveness of the church and its outreach.

Financial discussion was held on the current appropriated application of funds and options that were available. The concern was increasing the amount of interest prudently to allow money to be used for church planting.

A motion was made by Meredith to present the recommendations below as recommendations from the ONA committee. It was seconded by David. A vote was taken and passed. Motion to adjourn was made by Meredith and seconded Charles. Closing prayer was by Meredith.

#### Recommendations.

- The Minister and His Works committee contact a few seminaries asking for names and contact information of students with a heart for church planting, and a plan in place for doing a church plant. We are asking the Minister and His Works Committee to appoint one individual to do this.
- We recommend the Presbytery evaluate the possibility of reinvesting funds to achieve a better interest rate and that these monies generated be used for the purpose of planting churches. A motion to be made to change recommendation F from Attachment 1 dated 10-2008 to allow funds to be invested in other means rather than restrict the fund to Banks and CD's.
- 3. We recommend the appointment of the first Sunday of February as a special time where an offering in each of the Presbytery churches would be given for church planting/home missions for the MVP ONA committee.
- 4. The minister and ruling elders leave this meeting and return to their churches with the intent to get key people involved in the ministries of the church.
- 5. Larry Littlejohn who agreed to be a representative from the Presbytery to the combined session of Wood Avenue and Hickory Spring be allowed to discontinue the current Skype meetings due to the current position of the representatives from those churches which is they are comfortable with the status quo and are not bringing anything to the agenda of the meetings.

#### Christian Education Committee Meeting, 10/8/2013

Members present:

#### Opened with prayer by:

Business to be considered:

1. Camp Report.

- a. Appoximately 80 children and 20 adults attended the retreat, "Who Is Your Hero?" Responses to the retreat were positive. There were 2 foot injuries. Strangely, male attendance dropped off and female attendance increased, such that we had almost twice as many girls as boys.
- b. DVD Progress. Mr. Thomas Graves and his son Cameron shot video at camp, and have worked on a promotional and keepsake DVD.
- c. Options for showing gratitude (monetary or otherwise) to Mr. Thomas Graves for his work.
- 2. Family Life Conference (September 14)
  - a. Approximately 83 people attended the conference, "The God Who Speaks".
  - b. Evaluation Forms regarding the conference held at New Albany ARP. Requested by Judi Hodges. Reworked by Dan Hazen and submitted here for correction/approval. (See attached). To be passed out to Presbytery today if possible.
  - c. Request from CEM to our CEC to subsidize CEM for \$1437.62 for their expenditures (mainly travel) in implementing the Family Life Conference held at New Albany ARP. (See attached).
- 5. Fall Youth Retreat for Jr. and Sr. High students needs to be scheduled.
  - a. Date: Recommended dates are November 22-24 (Friday-Sunday right before Thanksgiving).
  - b. Location: Recommended locations are Camp of the Rising Son in French Camp or Camp Armstrong in New Albany. (Camp of the Rising Son is very nice, but Camp Armstrong is almost free. We held the retreat there 3 or 4 years ago. Ask Charles Browning for details on the camp if interested). (Please refer to 5.d and 6.a regarding the budget)
  - c. Attendees: It has also been suggested that we include college age students in this retreat since we do not have a college age retreat implemented yet.
  - d. Fees: Last year's attendance fees were \$40 per individual, with a max of \$60 per family. Note that in 2012 the retreat cost MVP \$1298.50 (the \$1440 fees did not cover the \$2738.50 cost of the retreat).
  - e. Speaker: Potential speakers for retreat? (Recommendation to involve new ministers or ministers that have not yet participated in our youth retreats)
- 6. Budget Report
- a. Current Account Balance is: \$3773.04 (needs to last through the end of 2013.) If \$1437.62 CEM reimbursement is approved, the balance will become \$2335.42. The \$5000 stipend from Presbytery is usually not received until the next year, when funds begin to run low after the Fall Youth Retreat.
- b. Deposits since last Fall: \$24740
   \$1440 in attendance fees for the Fall Youth Retreat
   \$500 in attendance fees for the Officer Training Seminar
   \$17800 in attendance fees for Summer Camp
   \$5000 in stipend from Presbytery

ic instandative structure Edit 523998 75 (\$25336.37 to CIOM \$1,377 bit rembrokerent is approach).

Expenditutes are as follows:

Fall Mouth Rendar S 2738 So. 81984-26 plus S165-88 to Churp of the Roady Sandler the Lad Yorch Rendar 8265-47 to Hopewell for food at that fall Noath Retreat \$171-97 Co., has Philipps for threely cambus, the may speake the mail Noath Retreat

Officer Paning Seminar, \$1105 \$160 to Coy Richardson for speaking at officer Unitary Seminar \$100 to Cox Richardson for manel reimborsomers

Compación a Retrear SN48 de 878 25 to Dao Frazen as rennomisement for maid ones \$267.50 to Camp of the Rising Son for the Counselors' Retreat

Summer Camp. \$19474.72 \$2025 to Camp of the Rising Son for summer deposit \$16705 to Camp of the Rising Son for summer fees \$744.72 to Southern Tees for Camp Tshirts

Family Life Conference: \$1677.40 (pending approval of CEM reimbursement) \$239.78 to Hopewell for food reimbursement \$1437.62 to CEM for travel and other reimbursements (pending current CEC approval)

- 7 College and Career Young Adults Retreat. Continue discussion on possibilities for beginning a retreat for young adults 18 and up (as time permits).
- 8. New Business<sup>9</sup>

Closed with prayer by:

#### **CE Committee**

Convened by David - 10 am mtg to order

David Storment, John Moore, Alex Coblentz, Larry Treadaway, Steve Rice, Dan Hazen

See agenda outline...

#### A. Camp

1. Camp Report from July, 2013

80 students & 20 adults in attendance

Who is You Hero? Theme for the week

- 2. Thomas Graves shot DVD of camp. PCA pastor from Leaksville. Very positive experience. Donated his time.
- 3. M.s.p. to bless Thomas with a gift to be determined by Dan & David costing no more than \$1000.
- 3. Twice as many girls as boys...

One of the best camps we've ever had.

Viewed DVD by T. Graves. Copies available from David Storment.

Final version still in production.

Will be went out to all participants, and all MVP churches.

- B. Family Life Conference
- 1.83 in attendance
- 2. Evaluation form presented. m.s.p. to send out to all attendees for feedback.
- 3. Reimburse CEM for travel expenses \$1437.62. m.s.p.

#### C. Fall Retreat

Nov. 22-24 scheduled.

Recommendation to move it to Camp Armstrong because of the cost.

Suggestion: to include college kids as well...

Approx. \$1300 shortfall last year.

M.s.p. to keep it at CRS, include college kids, Keep the fees the same.

M.s.p. to invite Kent Morlach to be speaker for Fall Retreat.

#### D. Budget. - see agenda for details.

Current balance of \$2335.42. (After reimbursing CEM)

C. Consider possibility of a retreat for college age / young adults.

To be discussed at fall retreat with however many college age kids are there.

D. Need for additional signatures on the CE bank account, and the removal of Charles & Andy who are no longer active.

M.s.p. to remove past names and make it current with members of the committee.

E. Issue over denying a camper access to camp for discipline reasons. Need to communicate better with parents involved.

M.s.p. to adjourn 10:59 am.

# 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)
- 2011 Hopewell, Providence Reformed
- 2012 French Camp, Brighton
- 2013 Graceview, New Albany
- 2014 Ellisville, Gospel of Grace

#### OFFICERS OF MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY

**Moderator:** Rev. Mike Yarman

249 Watersedge Ln, Edgemont, AR 72044

(H) 501-723-4883 (C) 910-527-4571

(E) meyarman@gmail.com

(Spring 2014)

**Vice-Moderator:** Mr. Carl Patterson

670 CR 1460, Tupelo, MS 38804

(C) 662-231-0073

(E) carlpcycle@yahoo.com

(Spring 2014)

**Principal Clerk:** Rev. Tim Phillips

4106 Roxbury Road, Louisville, KY 40218

(H) 502-671-2413(O) 502-491-0269(C) 502-741-5442(E) tjparp@gmail.com

(Spring 2015)

**Reading Clerk:** Rev. Joseph Donahue

5444 Stage Road, Bartlett, TN 38134

(H) 901-386-5467 (O) 901-388-5885

(E) providencereform@bellsouth.net

(Fall 2013)

**Treasurer:** Mr. John M. Robinson

1568 Sunflower Circle, Tupelo, MS 38801

(H) 662-840-8095 (C) 662-401-9934 (E) *johnr1568@att.net* (December 2017)

**Parliamentarian**: Rev. Charles Todd

3310 Atoka-Idaville Rd, Atoka, TN 38004

(H) 901-837-8585 (O) 901-837-8210 (C) 901-568-1446

(E) charlesandjudy@bigriver.net

(Fall 2014)

#### STANDING COMMITTEES OF MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY

### **Christian Education Ministries**

Rev. Dan Hazen, Chairman (2014)

Mr. Steve Rice (2014)

Rev. Alex Coblentz (2015)

Mr. John Moore (2015)

Rev. David Storment (2016)

Mr. Larry Treadaway (2016)

Presbyterial Youth Chair – Ex Officio

### Minister and His Work

Rev. Charles Todd, Chairman (2015)

Mr. Kerry Regen (2014)

Rev. John Tucker (2014)

Mr. Richard Moore (2015)

Mr. Steve McCollum (2016)

Rev. Zech Schiebout (2016)

Rev. Benjamin Glaser (2017)

Mr. John Robinson (2017)

#### **Nominations**

Rev. Howard Wheeler, Chairman (2014)

Rev. Gary Jones (2015)

Mr. Mike Thomason (2016)

Mr. Carl Patterson (2017)

#### **Outreach North America**

Mr. Marshall Snodgrass, Chairman (2015)

Rev. Meredith Cavin, Chairman (2014)

Rev. Don Watkins (2014)

Mr. David Strock (2015)

Mr. Charles Bunner (2016)

Rev. Mike Yarman (2016)

Pres. Witness/Outreach Chair – Ex Officio

#### **Stewardship**

Mrs. Martha Dees, Chair (2015)

Rev. Dan Hazen (2014)

Mr. Marshall Snodgrass (2015)

Rev. Charles Todd (2015)

Mr. John Robinson – Ex Officio

Pres. Spiritual Life Chair – Ex Officio

### **Educational Fund Board of Trustees**

Rev. Charles Todd, Chairman

Mr. Randy Goulder

Mr. Danny Hughes

Mr. Russell McDaniel

Mr. Jimmy Ramage

### **Trustees of Presbytery**

Mr. Charles Browning

Mr. Milton Murphy

Mr. Mike Thomason

### **Dunlap Board of Trustees**

Ms. Juanita Waits (2014)

Mr. Steve Tynes (2014)

Rev. Matthew Heathman (2014)

Rev. Meredith Cavin (2014)

Ms. Carolyn Strickland (2015)

Mr. Eric Krull (2015)

Mr. Joe Yerby (2015)

Mr. Milton Murphy (2015)

Ms. Lisa Simpson (2015)

Mr. Don Tabb (2016)

Mr. Robert Simpson (2016)

Mr. Terry Griffith (2016)

Ms. Barbara McFarland (2016)

## Synod Board & Agency Representatives

Christian Ed.: Rev. Dan Hazen (2014)

Dunlap: Rev. Bill Everett (2019)

Exec. Board: Mr. Carl Patterson (2017)

MaHW: Rev. Charles Todd (2015)

Nom.: Rev. Howard Wheeler (2014)

ONA: Rev. Mike Yarman (2016)

Stewardship: Mrs. Martha Dees (2015)

#### Students of Theology

None

#### **Missionaries**

Jodie Gaston

### Appendix R

### **Honorably Retired Ministers**

Rev. Thomas Braithwaite (retired chaplain)

Rev. Ron Brunson (retired missionary)

Rev. Conrad Cheatham

Rev. James Coad III (retired missionary)

Rev. W. Nale Falls Rev. Michael Garvey Rev. Carl Geisik

Rev. Troy Pritt

Rev. David Searfoss Rev. Wayne Stanchfield

Rev. Mike Yarman (retired chaplain)

# **Churches Served by Stated Supplies**

Bethany: Dale Whitlock Ebenezer: Dr. Al Herrington

Elsberry and Mt. Zion: Rev. Conrad Cheatham

Gum Tree: Charles Covington Helena: Rev. Leslie Rhodes

Hickory Springs and Wood Avenue: Rev. Mike Garvey

Sharon: Rev. Charles Todd

#### MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PRESBYTERY DIRECTORY

Betts, Sloan, 8860 Old Memphis Rd, Atoka, TN 38004. 901-837-6477.

**Braithwaite, Thomas E.**, 1937 Croydon Circle, Birmingham, AL 35235. 205-854-7575 (H) brithwat@bellsouth.net

**Browning, Charles**, 110 Magnolia, New Albany, MS 38652. 662-534-7057.

**Brunson, Ron**, 224 Woodland Ct, Black Mountain, NC 28711. 828-669-4301 (H) *ronlbrunson@gmail.com* 

Bunner, Charles, 2387 Hwy N, Foristell, MO 63348. cbunner@centurytel.net

**Cavin, Meredith**, 57 Church St, PO Box 36, Brighton, TN 38011. 901-476-9315 (H) 901-476-7233 (O) 803-242-3530 (C) *cavinrev@bellsouth.net* 

**Chan, Moises,** 214 S Slay St, PO Box 219, Havana, AR 72842-0219. 479-476-2110 (H) 479-518-1438 (C) havanaarpc@yahoo.com

Cheatham, Conrad, 201 B Maple Street, Elsberry, MO 63343-1604. 573-898-5655 (H) okete12000@sbcglobal.net

Click, Charles, PO Box 187, Brighton, TN 38011. 901-476-1718.

Clowers, Gary, 901-461-7171 (C), Clowersclan@xipline.com

**Coad, James**, **III**, Palma 11-B Abbeville St, PO Box 704, Due West, SC 29639. 864-379-8428 (H) 864-344-7734 (C) *jimcoad3g@hotmail.com* 

**Coblentz, Alex**, One Fine Place, French Camp, MS 39745. 662-547-6520 (H) 803-984-0678 (C) *alexcoblentz@gmail.com* 

**Covington, Charles, 662-869-2948 (C)** 

**Davenport, Fred**, c/o French Camp Academy, One Fine Place, French Camp, MS 39745. 662-582-0500. *fdavenport@frenchcamp.org* 

**Dees, Ed and Martha**, 1020 County Road 141, Blue Mountain MS 38610-9605. 662-534-3514, *mbdees@hotmail.com* 

**Donahue, Joseph**, 3545 Jenny Ln, Bartlett, TN 38135. 901-386-5467 (H) 901-388-5885 (O) 901-361-8430 (C) providencereform@bellsouth.net

**Everett, Bill**, 604 Valley View Dr, PO Box 906, New Albany, MS 38652. 662-534-7063 (H) 662-534-6060 (O) 662-266-3610 (C) *wbeverett@gmail.com* 

**Garvey, Mike**, 120 E Ross St, Monticello, AR 71655. 870-367- 3130 (H) *michael.owlman1940@sbcglobal.net* 

**Gaston, Jodie**, 241 Brookdale Ave, Greenville, SC 29609. 864-593-8901 (C) *jodiegaston@gmail.com, Jodie.Gaston@gemission.org* 

Geisik, Carl, 85 Woodstone Rd, Rockaway, NJ 07866. 973-627-2720 (H) paca3738@peoplepc.com

Glaser, Benjamin, 201 East Ivy Street, Ellisville, MS 39437, 601-477-3086 (O), 412 -708-6854 (C), pastor@ellisvillepres.org

Green, Wilmot, P.O. Box 911, Warren, AR 71671. wilmot.green@att.net

Goulder, Randy, Rt. 2, Box 434-A, Brighton, TN 38011. 901-837-2376.

Hardy, Steve, PO Box 972, Iva, SC 29655-0972. swhprov356@aol.com

**Hazen, Dan**, 1622 County Road 121, New Albany, MS 38652-9164. 662-538-9980 (C) hopewellarpchurch@gmail.com

**Heathman, Matthew**, P.O. Box 217, Covington, TN 38019. 706-799-5641 (C). mheathman@gmail.com

**Herrington, Al,** 691 Hwy 15N, New Albany, MS 38652. 662-534-1067. 662-507-1205. *jalherrington@aol.com* 

**Jones, Gary.** 1367 Hwy 51 North, Nesbit, MS 38651. 662-920-8218 (C) nesbpglj@gmail.com

**Littlejohn, Larry,** One Fine Place, French Camp MS 39745. 662-547-9419 (H), 662-816-9419 (C). *llittlejohn@frenchcamp.org* 

Mitchell, Bob, 2300 Fite Rd, Memphis, TN 38127. 901-353-2542, rmitch10@bellsouth.net

Moore, John, 1840 Woodlawn, Brighton, TN 38011 901-476-7569

**Moore, Richard**, 2491 Nelson Rd, Brighton, TN 38011. 901-476-4823. porkie1@bellsouth.net

**Moorlach, Kent,** 8658 Rosemark Rd, Millington TN 38053. 901-829-4105 (O). kmoorlach@gmail.com

Patterson, Carl, 670 CR 1460, Tupelo, MS 38804. 662-231-0073. carlpcycle@yahoo.com

**Phillips, Tim**, 4106 Roxbury Rd, Louisville, KY 40218. 502-671-2413 (H) 503-491-0269 (O) 502-741-5442 (C), *tjparp@gmail.com* 

Pitman, Scott, 901-553-4682 (C); spitman@pitmanglass.com

**Pritt, Troy**, 32 Pinewood Dr, Warren, AR 71671-9563. 870-226-2903 (H) *pritt.troy@att.net* 

**Regen, Kerry**, 8786 Old Memphis Rd, Atoka, TN 38004. 901-626-6466 (H). 901-626-2525 (C) *regkb@aol.com* 

**Robinson, John**, 1568 Sunflower Circle, Tupelo, MS 38801, 662-840-8095 (H), 662-401-9934 (C), *johnr1568@att.net* 

**Schiebout, Zech**, 2025 S. Link Ave, Springfield, MO 65804. 417-886-2129. pastor@gospelofgracechurch.com

Scott, John, 1238 Marshall Rd.. Brighton, TN 38011, 901-837-2275, jscott@rebelmail.net.

**Searfoss, David,** 4425 Signal Hill Rd, Louisville, KY 40207, 502-897-7331 (H)

**Snodgrass, Marshall,** 834 Country View Road, Seymour, MO 65746, 417-655-2065 (C), *mtsnodgrassdds@gmail.com* 

**Stanchfield, Wayne**, 400 Murphy Subdivision Rd, Stearns, KY 42647. 606-376-3650 (H) *wstanchfield@highland.net* 

**Storment, David**, 523 Dean Turner Rd, Leakesville, MS 39451. 601-349-9683 (H), 601-394-2170 (O). *dmstorment@tds.net* 

**Strock, David**, 2822 Morning Woods Dr, Cordova, TN 38016. 901-377-9263. abc240z@hotmail.com

Thomason, Mike, 901-848-9887 (C) ttbarfarms@aol.com

**Todd, Charles**, 3310 Atoka-Idaville Rd, Atoka, TN 38004. 901-837-8585 (H) 901-837-8210 (O) 901-568-1446 (C) *charlesandjudy@bigriver.net* 

**Tucker, John,** 330 Clarington St, Southaven, MS 38671. 662-393-4082 (H) 662-349-0133 (O) *jtucker51@gmail.com* 

### **Appendix S**

**Watkins, Don**, 354 Oakcrest Dr, Paducah, KY 42001. 270-554-0573 (H) 270-564-2949 (C) pastordwatkins@juno.com

Whitlock, Dale, c/o Bethany ARP Church, 488 CR 833, Guntown, MS 38849

**Wheeler, Howard**, 47 E Ash St, PO Box 318, Pottsville, AR 72858-0318. 479-890-6250 (H) 479-970-1384 (C) *pottsvillearp@centurytel.net* 

White, Robert, 6749 Henredon Dr, Memphis, TN 38115. 901-366-7838 (H)

Yarman, Mike, 501-723-4883 (H) 910-527-4571 (C) meyarman@gmail.com

# **Schedule for Review of Minutes of Sessions**

Spring Meeting Fall Meeting

Covington Bethany

Faith Brighton

Gospel of Grace Ebenezer

Graceview Ellisville

Gum Tree Elsberry

Helena French Camp

Hernando Havana

Hickory Springs Hopewell

Midlane Park Mt. Zion

New Albany New Geneva

Salem Pottsville

Sharon Providence Reformed

Wood Avenue Richland