

DIGEST
SIXTY-NINTH STATED MEETING
PRESBYTERY OF NEW HOPE
OCTOBER 21, 2006
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN, WILSON

Attendance

Ministers	83
Corresponding Members	8
Elders	99
CLP/Lay Pastors	5
Inquirer/Candidate	6
Lay Member of Council	4
Visitors	54
Staff	5
Total	264

Call to Order

Elder Viola Lee, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with prayer.

Approval of Docket

The docket was approved with the addition of the supplemental materials.

Approval of Recording Clerk

The Presbytery approved Reverend Juli Gicker-Anderson to serve as recording clerk for this stated meeting.

Welcome by Hosts

Reverend Alice Plotts, Associate Pastor welcomed the Presbytery on behalf of the Session of First Presbyterian Church, Wilson.

Introduction of First Time Commissioners

First Time Elder Commissioners were introduced and welcomed. An orientation was available for all elders prior to the meeting.

Appointment of Standing Committees

The following were appointed to serve the committees as listed:

Resolutions: Barry Barbour, Moderator; Walter Gould and Mary Harris Todd

Attendance: Jim Workman, Moderator; Mary Banner and Sue McLaurin

Seating of Corresponding Members

The following were seated as corresponding members: Rev. Louis Weeks (National Capital Presbytery) President of Union PSCE, Elder Bill Staples (Presbytery of the James), Rev. Mary Jane Winters (Eastern Virginia Presbytery), Rev. Moongil Cho (Mid-Kentucky Presbytery), Rev. Anna Pinckney Straight (Presbytery of Carlisle), Elder Bob Baskin (Presbytery of the James), Marilyn Cho (Presbytery of Mid-Kentucky), Elder Jose Perez (Presbytery of Coastal Carolina); Rev. Walter Griffith (Presbytery of Tampa Bay; Rev. Harrison

Kim, Interim Pastor DuRaleigh, (Atlantic Korean Presbytery).

Report of the Stated Clerk

Elder Barbara Campbell Davis

The Presbytery received the following:

- Minutes of the Commission to Ordain Leroy Huizenga as Minister of Word and Sacrament on July 12, 2006.
- Minutes of the Commission to install Reverend Kevin Brunk as Pastor of Roanoke Island Presbyterian Church, Manteo, on July 23, 2006
- Minutes of the Commission to Install Lisa Hebacker as Associate Pastor of White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Raleigh on July 30, 2006.
- Minutes of the Commission to ordain John McKinnon as Associate Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, New Bern on August 5, 2006.
- Minutes of the Commission to install Reverend John McKinnon as Associate Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, New Bern on August 6, 2006.
- Minutes of the Commission to install Reverend Sam Miglarese as Associate Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Durham on August 20, 2006.
- Minutes of the Commission to ordain Jerrod Lowry as Pastor of St. Paul Presbyterian Church, Louisburg on September 10, 2006.
- Minutes of the Commission to Commission James Proctor as Commissioned Lay Pastor for Second Presbyterian Church, Rocky Mount on July 30, 2006.
- Minutes of the Commission to Install Reverend Jerrod Lowry as Pastor of St. Paul Presbyterian Church, Louisburg on October 8, 2006.
- Resolution for John and Sue Fricks for their work with the Congo Choir.
- Administrative commission report for Clayton Presbyterian Fellowship.
- Administrative Commission report for Johnson Memorial Presbyterian Church.
- Approved the request of the Administrative Commission for Falkland Presbyterian Church to be dissolved.
- Approved the request of the Administrative Commission for Johnson Memorial Presbyterian Church, Tarboro to be dissolved.
- To transfer the Candidacy of Carol Poteet to the Presbytery of Western North Carolina for the purpose of ordination as Associate Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Hendersonville.
- The following persons serve on the Bills and Overtures Committee 2006: Henry Gregory, Ingram Hedgpeh, Brenda Brown; Bonnie Pettijohn, David Huffman, Byron Wade, Dwight Buffaloe.

17. The report of the Sessional Records Committee for the following churches:
Bethlehem, Mebane – 2005 without exception
Cann Memorial – 2005 with minor exceptions
Cobb Memorial, Tarboro – 2004/2005 with minor exceptions
Eno, Cedar Grove – 2005 without exception
Farmville – 2005 without exception
Hillsborough – 2005 without exception
NC Korean, Durham – 1999-2005 with minor exceptions
Northgate, Durham – 2005 without exception
Roxboro – 2005 without exception
Trinity Avenue, Durham-2005 with minor exceptions.

PRAYER CONCERNS:

1. Cameron Womack (Educator Smithfield, First) who has undergone surgery and treatments
2. Jack Schurman (CLP) who is undergoing treatments.
3. Frank Day (CLP St. Barnabas) who is undergoing treatments.
4. Jeffrey Wood (Elder Providence) and family, whose 7 month old daughter, Ava, will undergo surgery.
5. Jose Perez (LP Manatial deVida Hispanic Ministry) whose wife, Orene, is recovering from a broken shoulder.
6. Linda Leake (Elder Saint Andrews, Raleigh) who is recovering from double knee replacement surgery.
7. A D Ellison (HR) who is recovering from surgery.
8. Portia Turner Williamson (MAL) whose son, Chip, is recovering from surgery.
9. Heidi Cleveland (Mal) who is recovering from surgery.
10. Steve Aschmann (Pastor Oakland) whose mother, Esther (92), is recovering from multiple surgeries.
11. Jerrod Lowry (Pastor St. John/Staff) and wife Mollie, whose grandparents on both sides are in poor health.
12. David Voss (HR) who is recovering from heart valve replacement surgery.
13. Ed Pickard (HR) whose health is declining.
14. Roger Harp (MAL, Synod of Mid-Atlantic Executive) and wife, Carolyn, whose daughter-in-law, Annette Whitmarsh, is recovering from multiple surgeries.
15. Lee Walton (Elder Boyd Memorial) who has back problems.
16. Linda Blackburn (Elder Plymouth) who has been diagnosed with cancer.
17. Wadih Antoun (HR) who has returned to Lebanon and was hospitalized recently.
18. Claude Godwin (MAL, Staff OGA) who will be undergoing knee replacement surgery.
19. Melicent Huneycutt Vergeer (HR) who is recovering from by-pass surgery.

CONGRATULATIONS:

1. Peter Park (Pastor Cornerstone) and wife, Jenny, on the birth of their daughter, Elyssa, September 11, 2006.
2. First Presbyterian, Garner, on their 50th Anniversary (celebrated September 24, 2006)

3. Wake Forest Presbyterian on their 15th Anniversary (celebrated September 23-24, 2006)
4. Candace Worth (Pastor Plymouth and Calvary, Swan Quarter) and husband, Preston Harris, on the birth of their daughter, Virginia Greer Harris, on September 23, 2006
5. Eric Beckman (Candidate) and wife on the birth of their son, Eli Joseph, September 29, 2006.
6. Monte Johnston (Pastor Clayton Fellowship) and wife, Kari, on the birth of their daughter, Kylie.
7. John E Newell (Elder Oxford) and Faye K. Maynard on their October 22 marriage.
8. All Ministers and elders who are recognized for 5th year ordinations.

CONDOLENCES TO:

1. All ministers and elders mentioned in worship today.
2. Terence Burke (Staff) whose cousin, Lekeisha Danielle Whitehead, was killed in an auto accident September 2, 2006.
3. William Hufham (HR) whose mother, Dorothy, died on September 5.
4. Robert Johnson (Pastor Ebenezer) whose father, Enoch Mars, died on August 30.
5. Rodney and Kathy Evans (Members Efland) whose children Jason and Jessica were killed in a car accident August 20.
6. Family of Reverend Norman MacDowell (HR) who died on August 3.
7. Mike Nevling (Pastor Saint Andrews, Raleigh) whose mother, Sallie Jo, died on September 17.
8. Pete Brown (Pastor Rocky Mount, First) and wife, Donna, whose mother, Kate Horton, died on October 3, 2006.
9. Paul Shelton (Elder Oxford) whose wife, Mary Anne Shelton, died October 15, 2006
10. Naomi Allen (Elder, Milner Memorial) whose husband, Crow, died on October 20, 2006.
11. Melicent Huneycutt-Vergeer (HR) whose husband, John, died on October 19, 2006.
12. The family of Helen Butler (Elder Rivermont) who died on October 25, 2006.

**REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Ellen Hall, Moderator**

The following persons were elected to serve as noted:

Mid-Atlantic Synod Committee:

Speer Trust Fund: **Sandy Irving**

Vice-Moderator of Presbytery: **Robert Owens**

Presbytery of New Hope Committees:

Council:

Class of 2007: Ingram Hedgpeth; Freeda Lawrence; Viola

Lee; Lynn Stall; Portia Turner Williamson; Brenda Brown

Class of 2008: Leigh Gillis; Gerald Johnson; Bonnie

Pettijohn; Wicky Thorpe; Joe Harvard; Connia Watson

Class of 2009: **Richard Brand; Jimmie Hawkins; Sybil**

Steele Henderson; Conway Lanford; Jerry Slaymaker;

Ed McLeod; Dennis Sebesan; Robert Owens

Finance & Property:

Class of 2007: Lawrence Gulley; Terry Hobgood
Class of 2008: Anne Etheredge
Class of 2008: **Sybil Steele Henderson; Brown Gardner**

Communications Committee:

Class of 2007: Eleanor Howell; Fred Westbrook
Class of 2008: Jeffrey Gillette; Rosemary Fitts
Class of 2009: **Margot Hausmann; Jeff Herrin**

Organizational Development and Evaluation:

Class of 2007: Amy Douglas; David Garrison
Class of 2008: Linda Leake; Meri-Li Douglas
Class of 2009: **Jerry Slaymaker**

New Hope Foundation:

Class of 2007: David Bean; Samuel Douglas; Augustus Thompson; Rocky Stone
Class of 2008: Bruce Bell; Mitchell Perry; Wicky Thorpe
Class of 2009: Ed Stock; Phil Kramer

Permanent Judicial Committee

Class of 2008: William Hawkins; David Verner; Natarlin Best
Class of 2010: Claude Andrews; Haywood Holderness; Nelson Crisp
Class of 2012: Cader Howard; Denise Thorpe; Georgia Stussie

Committee on Representation:

Class of 2007: Donna Frederick; David Wood
Class of 2008: Peggie Kearney; Thomas Wilson
Class of 2009: **Edith Lee**

Division for Leadership Development:

Class of 2007: Connie Button; James Ferry; Ronald McMenamin
Class of 2008: Susan Dunlap; Curtis Harper; Marilyn Hedgpath
Class of 2009: **Steve Wicks; Rick Brand; Lynn Stall; Janice Smith; Will Walls**

Committee on Ministry:

Class of 2007: Sheila Barrick; Joseph Brown; Richard Harrell; Lynn Stall; Martha Strayhorn; David Voss; Jonathan Wallace; Tracy Walston-Bailey
Class of 2008: John Brothers; Anne Montgomery; Lee Walton; Janel Dixon; William Neely; Billy Leggett; Cynthia Neal; **Daniel Blue**
Class of 2009: **John Hawes; Martha Stith; Rocky Stone; Allyn Testroet; David Keck; Connie Button; Jody Welker; Jim Perry**

Examinations Committee:

Class of 2007: Dottie Dubose-Blum; David Huffman; Betty Jordan; **Katherine Kussmaul;**
Class of 2008: Mary Holderness; Sam McKnight; Matthew Hardin; David Wylly
Class of 2009: **Gary Fulton; MaryGale; Debbie Kirk; Sue McLaurin**

Commissioned Lay Pastor Committee:

Class of 2007: Richard Harrell; Ann Stephenson; **David Garrison**
Class of 2008: Ronn McCracken, Peggy Rodgers Leggett
Class of 2009: **Kevin Brunk; Peggy Griffin; Lisa Hebacker**

Sessional Records:

Class of 2007: Pauline Savage-Stancil; Kathy Barnes; Ida Adams
Class of 2008: Linda Barnes; Linda Evans; Betty Woodruff

Class of 2009: **Dennis Robison; Janice Smith**

Preparation for Ministry:

Class of 2007: Drew Clark; Sallie Verner; Tom Watkins; Mary Shelby; Omotolokun Omokunde; **Janet Livingood**
Class of 2008: James Martin; Richard McKellar; Iris Olinger; Christopher Edmonston; Betty Berghaus; Nancy Jones

Class of 2009: **Susan Mazzara; Richard Rice; Steve Wicks; Jack Simonds; Debbie Osterhoudt; Donovan Drake**

Division for Congregational Ministries:

Class of 2007: Brenda Brown; Teresa Amentt Jennings; Cameron Womack
Class of 2008: Faye Mumford
Class of 2009: **Ann Cobb; (division committee moderators)**

Christian Education:

Class of 2007: Brenda Brown; Nancy Rozak; David White; Shane Bass
Class of 2008: Tama Eller; Dale Sauls; Jane Wilson; Faye Price; **Shirley McNeill**
Class of 2009: **Sung Hee Chang; Katie Ricks; Virginia Callgary; Nancy Darter**

Stewardship Education:

Class of 2007: Michael Dickey
Class of 2008: **Ed Donnell**
Class of 2009: **Bill Chappel; Ed Roberson**

Older Adult:

Class of 2007: Doris Murrell; Dawn Omokunde
Class of 2008: Carole McCartney; JoAnne McMenamin
Class of 2009: **Betty Bailey; Henrietta Clark**

Multicultural Committee:

Class of 2007: Jimmie Hawkins; J.J. Ruiz
Class of 2008:
Class of 2009: **Paul Lang; Peter Park; Paul Ransford**

Youth Committee:

Class of 2007: Amy Veatch; Carolyn Snipes; Ann Vinsky; Ouida Myers
Class of 2008: Alice Plotts; Dylan Ward

Division for Outreach Ministries

Class of 2007: Elizabeth Day; Peter Hausmann; Richard Hildebrandt; Herbert Dail
Class of 2008: Bonnie Pettijohn, Sefton Strickland; Tom Westfall
Class of 2009: **Jane Love; Bessie Bullock; Harriet Jennings**

Church Development & Evangelism:

Class of 2007: Raymond Cobb; Frank Day; John Hartman
Class of 2008: Chad Neal; Steve Aschmann;
Class of 2009: **Bob Pace; James Gale**

Ministries of Missions:

Class of 2007: Lee Anna Fisler; Claudaline Greene; Richard Hildebrandt; Robert Jacobs; Ryan Rasmussen; Sue Hinman

Class of 2008: Harris Cummings; Sue Fricks; Kerri Hefner; Linda Parker

Class of 2009: **David Smith; Willie Williams; Cyril Jarrett; Annie Miller; Sylvia Howard**

Campus Ministry:

Class of 2007: Peter Hasumann; Byron Wade; Betty Connette; Karla Miller; **Susan Steinberg**

Class of 2008: Marjorie Harris; Jim Leistman; Paul White; Janise Smith; **Madge Chamness; John George**

Class of 2009: **Danny Bell; Lori Pistor; Tom Murphy; Cathy Church Norman; Bill Cobb; Lynn Blanchard**

Self-Development of People:

Class of 2007: Raymond Privott; Desire Volkwijn

Class of 2008: Joe Ward; Leorita Hankerson;

Class of 2009: **James Hodge; Tilda Howard**

Worship

Reverend Alice Plotts led the worship with Rev. Louis Weeks, Union/PSCE preaching. The necrology of ministers and elders was read. Reverend James McKinnon, Jr. and Reverend Haywood Holderness were honorably retired. The offering was collected for the Hope Station. Non-perishable food items were also collected for the Hope Station.

Report of Outreach Ministries Division

Reverend Bonnie Pettijohn, Moderator

A Booklet of the Committees and work of the Outreach Ministries Division was distributed. The Honorable James B Hunt spoke on Religion in Politics. Reverend Raafat Girgis, Office of the General Assembly, National Ministries Division spoke on the Multicultural Conferences of the General Assembly.

Announcements

Announcements were made by:

Reverend Francis Olsen spoke about Warren Wilson College; Reverend Jeff Sockwell reviewed the Presbytery of New Hope Website; Rev. Jim McKinnon spoke on the work of the Task Force on Issues that Matter and referred members to review information provided at the Presbytery Website; Bob Baskin spoke for the Presbyterian Outlook. Jack Cover of the Presbyterian Historical Society of West Raleigh spoke on the sister relationship with Presbyterian Historical Society in Northern Ireland. Invited everyone to attend the trip to Northern Ireland on the celebration of their 100th anniversary.

Report of Council

Reverend Leigh Gillis, Moderator

The Presbytery received the following:

1. To support the City of Rocky Mount W.A.R.M Assistance Program with a donation of \$101.00 as a silver level sponsor.
2. That the Grace Chapel Church will be reopened and begin developing a fellowship for a new church on a six month trial basis.

3. That First Presbyterian, Henderson sign a contract to have an elevator installed at the church.
4. The Presbytery will continue to support of the North Carolina Council of Churches.
5. To support Peace College with a 1/8th page advertisement for the publication celebrating their 150th anniversary.
6. To continue support of the Career and Personal Counseling Service.
7. Laura Mendenhall, President of Columbia Theological Seminary will be invited to speak at the February 2007 Stated Meeting.
8. The Campus Ministries Committee be increased to 18 members.
9. The Congregational Ministries Division members be the moderators of the divisions' committees.
10. Changes to the Presbytery of New Hope Personnel Policies as follows:
 - The Funeral Policy to include more than immediate family at the discretion of the Executive Presbyter;
 - The Sabbatical Leave be granted to exempt staff after completing five year of service. The Sabbatical Leave shall not exceed three months.
 - Continuing Education allotment for New Hope Staff was increased for Exempt Staff to \$1,400 and Non-Exempt Staff to \$1,000.the following:
11. The proposed challenge budget for 2007 be \$2,043,643.
12. The following persons were elected to serve on the nominating committee of the presbytery: Pam Shirley, Vickie Smith.

The Presbytery approved the following recommendations from the Task Force for Camp Albemarle:

1. That Articles of Incorporation be written for Camp Albemarle (CA) to be incorporated as a camping ministry of the Presbytery of New Hope (PNH) effective January 1, 2007.
2. The Board of Directors (BoD) have four Committees:
 - Personnel
 - Finance
 - Program
 - Capital/Facilities
3. The Board of Directors have an Executive Committee of the Board of Directors
4. The Board of Directors have 12 members, and composed of the following members:
 - William Strayhorn, Kinston, NC
 - Arthur Baldwin, Goldsboro, NC
 - Jerry Johnson, New Bern, NC
 - Beth Freshwater Smith, Wilson, NC
 - Ashley Anderson, Tarboro, NC

- Bill Farris, Sr., Farmville/Washington
 - Ed Moore, Rocky Mount, NC
 - Mary Holderness, Durham, NC
 - John McKinnon, New Bern, NC
 - Mary Seegar, Durham, NC
 - Stan Moore, Farmville, NC
 - Charles While, Greenville, NC
3. The Board of Directors in subsequent years be composed of 6 members elected by the Board of Directors of Camp Albemarle and 6 members elected by Presbytery of New Hope (through yearly nominating committee process).
 4. That the Camp Albemarle Committee be disbanded effective Jan. 1, 2007 but that its members be authorized by Presbytery of New Hope to help coordinate transition issues between PNH and the newly incorporated CA Board of Directors. And, that PNH directs Presbytery Council and PNH Staff to work with Camp Albemarle Committee and Camp Albemarle Board of Directors with transition issues such as audits, revenue streams, and other financial and programmatic issues.
 5. That the Articles of Incorporation keep the title to the land on Bogue Sound within the possession of the Presbytery of New Hope.
 6. That PNH and Presbytery Council establish a covenant with CA and its BoD to provide:
 1. Ministry and prayer support and promotion of CA ministries within PNH.
 2. PNH will continue mortgage/debt service on CA camp directors home indefinitely, pending negotiations between PNH Council and CA BoD.
 3. 7.35% of the annual approved program budget of PNH as financial support for the operation of CA for a period of no less than 25 years (for example, in fiscal year 2006 amount was \$99,840).

Leigh Gillis also recognized Sue and John Fricks for their work with the Choir of the Congo during their visit to the Presbytery.

Report of Personnel Committee

Elder Connie Watson, Moderator

The members of the staff were introduced and staff members serving more than 10 years were remembered with certificates. A special thank you to Chuck Noonan for many (+24) years of service with a certificate for lodging at Linville Falls Lodge.

Report of Committee on Ministry

Reverend Lynn Stall, Moderator

Presentation to Lay Pastors: Wallace Spragins, George A. Snead and Viola Lee were recognized for completing all requirements for Level I training in the Lay Pastor Program.

The Presbytery approved the following:

Interim Supply:

1. William Hufham and Bear Grass/Roberson Chapel Presbyterian Churches, Williamston, effective through March 1, 2007.
2. John Speight and Snow Hill Presbyterian Church effective August 27, 2006 through August 27, 2007.
3. John Walchenbach to Labor within the Bounds from Florida Presbytery to serve as Interim Pastor for Westminster, Durham effective November 1, 2006 through October 31, 2007. Terms: Salary \$36,982; Housing \$40,000; Accountable Reimbursement \$5,000; Social Security \$5,940; Moving expenses \$7,000; Medical \$750. Total of 95,672. Four weeks vacation and two weeks study leave.

Temporary Supply:

1. Alan Koenke and Oxford Presbyterian Church effective August 1, 2006 through January 30, 2007.
2. Bruce Grady and Western Boulevard, Raleigh to be extended through December 31, 2006.

Student Interns:

1. Eric Beckman and Unity Presbyterian Church, Newton Grove effective September 15, 2006 through July 15, 2007.

Dissolution:

1. Marla Cates and Prison Chaplaincy effective August 31, 2006.
2. David McDonald and First Presbyterian, Roanoke Rapids effective September 30, 2006.
3. Jim McKinnon and First Presbyterian, Wilson effective August 31, 2006.

Dismissals:

1. Walter Mueller to Donegal Presbytery effective September 13, 2006.
2. Ann Hoch to Grace Presbytery effective September 1, 2006.
3. John Stringer to Denver Presbytery effective September 11, 2006.
4. David McDonald to Coastal Carolina Presbytery effective October 16, 2006.

Approved the Following:

1. James Efird to be Honorably Retired effective December 31, 2006.
2. Donald Boulton to be Honorably Retired effective December 31, 2006.
3. Gerald Wilson to be Honorably Retired effective December 31, 2006.
4. Jim McKinnon to be Honorably Retired effective September 1, 2006.
5. Lori Boehning, Candidate under care of the Presbytery of San Fernando, to be placed on the supply list
6. Karen Dukes, Candidate under care of St. Augustine Presbytery, to be placed on the supply list.
7. Change in position description for Diana Janssen Hemmen to Associate Pastor of University Presbyterian Church, Chapel Hill.
8. James Brown (HR) to Labor Outside the Bounds of New Hope Presbytery to serve the Mebane First

Presbyterian Church, Salem Presbytery as Stated Supply effective January 1, 2007 through December 6, 2007.

9. Minimum compensation standards for Ministers for 2007.
10. Roger Horne to be added to the supply list.
11. Permission for James Lawton to Labor Outside the Bounds in National Capital Presbytery.

Moderators:

1. David Smith and First Presbyterian, Roanoke Rapids

Changes in terms of call:

1. Bill Hawkins (Pastor First New Bern): Salary \$54,700; Housing Allowance \$36,000; Social Security Allowance \$6,700; 403-B Annuity \$2,400. Total \$99,800.
2. John McKinnon (Associate Pastor, First New Bern): Salary \$27,600; Housing Allowance \$3,000; Social Security Allowance \$4,000; 403-B Annuity \$1,200; FMV of Manse \$18,200; Shared Housing Equity \$2,400; Preschool Tuition \$1,800. Total \$58,200.

Calls:

1. The call to Anna Pinckney Straight to serve as Associate Pastor at University Presbyterian Church, Chapel Hill effective November 1, 2006. Terms are: Salary \$42,000; Housing \$26,000; Accountable Reimbursement \$3,500; Pension/Medical \$23,058.63; Social Security \$5,202; and all moving costs. Total \$99,760.63. Four weeks vacation and two weeks study leave.
2. The call to Moongil Cho to serve as Pastor of DuRaleigh Presbyterian, Raleigh effective November 1, 2006. Terms are: Salary \$29,000; Housing \$16,000; Accountable Reimbursement \$9,700; Ministers Activities \$4,100; Social Security \$3,442.50; Pension/Medical \$14,175; Moving Expenses \$8,800. Total of \$85,217.50. Four weeks vacation and two weeks study leave.

Commission to Install:

1. The Commission to Install Moongil Cho as Pastor of DuRaleigh Presbyterian Church, Raleigh on November 26, 2006. Members of the Commission: Ministers: In Sung Hoang and Elders: Jae Kim and Barbara Campbell Davis. Additional members to be named.
2. The Commission to Install Anna Pinckney Straight as Associate Pastor of University Presbyterian Church, Chapel Hill on December 10, 2006 at 11 AM. Members of the Commission: Ministers: Haywood Holderness, Sam Miglarese, Linda Parker and Elders: Jay Klomp maker, Anne Montgomery, Barbara Campbell Davis. Reverend Albert Perry of Western North Carolina Presbytery will sit with the Commission.

EXAMINATIONS:

The Examination of Reverend Moongil Cho and Reverend Anna Pinckney Straight was sustained.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

Reverend Steve Wicks, Moderator

The Presbytery received the following information:

Received as Inquirers:

Tripp McKinnon (Wilson, First)
Susan Sexton (White Memorial, Raleigh)
Luke Farmer (Blacknall Memorial)

Certified Ready to Receive a Call:

Sophie Draffin (Westminster, Durham)
David Paul (Wilson, First)
Carolyn Poteet (Outer Banks, Kill Devil Hills)

The following candidates were received:

Adam Grosch (St. Giles) was introduced by Reverend Jim Hodge; Christopher Henry (Warrenton) was introduced by Reverend Orval Wintermute; Deborah Knott (Blacknall Memorial) was introduced by Reverend Peter Hausmann. Moderator Vi Lee examined the applicants, presented the constitutional questions and declaration of candidacy. Reverend Peter Hausmann charged the applicants and gave the blessing.

Withdrawn from the process: Wesley Goldsberry and Tracey Walston-Bailey

Report of Congregational Ministries Division

Reverend Juli Gicker-Anderson, Moderator

The presbytery received the report of the Congregational Ministries Division: The evaluations from Growing Together were excellent. 445 participants came, 150 more than normal.

The Youth Committee is having their Sr. High Retreat next weekend at Camp Don Lee.

Older Adult Committee is visible with their purple aprons. Start is January 27th, at First Goldsboro with Ken McFayden as the Keynote Speaker. He is the Professor of Ministry and Leadership Development at Union-PSCE. His topic is "Leading in the face of Loss: The Work of the church Officers in the 21st Century Church. New curriculum will be previewed by the Louisville Staff person Tammy Wiens who has deep connections with our presbytery through Blacknall Memorial while her husband got his PhD at Duke. As always there will be a survey of the Vacations Bible School materials, courses for officers, clerks, treasurers.

Camp Albemarle had the largest registrations in their history. The Camp did receive damage to almost every roof during Ernesto along with the loss of the pier.

Installation of Moderator

The Reverend Joseph Harvard was installed as Moderator of the Presbytery of New Hope for 2007. Out going Moderator, Viola Lee was presented with a wooden cross and plaque in recognition of her service as moderator.

Report of Resolutions Committee

Barry Barbour, Moderator

Whereas, God has blessed us with a beautiful day for travel and convention,

Whereas, the 69th Stated Meeting held in the beautiful confines of the 1st Presbyterian Church located in Wilson, NC, on this the 21st day of October, in the Year of our Lord 2006,

Whereas, many smiling faces made their way from points north, south, east, and west, kicking and screaming, and gathered as a Christian community of believers and a church united,

Whereas, being met by the fine people of 1st Presbyterian Church, assisting us and directing to our various places to be,

Whereas, we were welcomed by the Reverend Alice Plotts and given important directions, i.e. restrooms and lunch area,

Whereas, we have distinguished guests today the Honorable former Governor, James (Jim) Hunt, along with the Reverend Dr. Louis Weeks, President of Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, VA, leading us in a though-provoking sermon, while Governor Hunt challenged us to financially and spiritually encourage and support our children and young people, echoing the words and love of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,

Whereas our Louisville headquarters allowed our own Reverend Raafat Gurgis, with our General Assembly Multicultural conferences, to speak of inclusiveness needed all around us,

Whereas we experienced a bountiful meal where, out of the people waiting in line, said, "Finally, our money's worth!"

Whereas, we honored our presbytery staff and did witness Chuck Noonan a rare choking up on a presentation, for 27 years of service with Orange and New Hope Presbytery,

Whereas, our observation and participation in the Honorable Retirement Service of two wonderful and highly respected ministers, the Reverends Holderness and McKinnon, summarized by words of Trip McKinnon that as he and his brother follow a calling exemplified by their father, we, also are called to follow the example of Jesus,

Whereas, we witnessed the installation of the Reverend Joseph Harvard, of 1st Presbyterian Church, Durham, as our 2007 Moderator of Presbytery following a long list of very interesting and highly competent moderators,

Whereas, God does have grace and mercy, UNC football did not lose today – they did not play,

Respectfully submitted, Barry Barbour, Moderator
Resolutions Committee

Report of Attendance Committee

Rev. Jim Workman, Moderator

The Presbytery received the report of the attendance committee as presented by Jim Workman, moderator.

Adjourn

There being no further business the 69th meeting of the Presbytery of New Hope was closed with prayer by Reverend Joe Harvard, Moderator at 3:30 PM.

Next Meeting

Saturday

February 24, 2007

**Westminster Presbyterian
Church, Durham**