

DIGEST
75TH STATED MEETING
PRESBYTERY OF NEW HOPE
October 18, 2008
Vance Granville Community College

Attendance

Ministers	85
Corresponding Members	5
Elder Commissioners	87
Lay Members of Council	3
Commissioned Lay Pastors	2
Lay Pastors	2
Candidate/Inquirer	7
Visitors	78
Staff	<u>4</u>
Total	273

Call to Order

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

Approval of Docket

The proposed docket was approved as received with the addition of the supplemental materials.

Welcome by Hosts

Reverend Jonathan Sherrod, Pastor St. Andrews, Henderson, welcomed the Presbytery on behalf of the Session of Brookston, Butner, Cotton Memorial, Geneva, Hebron, Henderson First, Mt. Pleasant Franklinton, Nutbush, Oak Hill, Oxford, St. Andrews Henderson, St. Paul, Timothy Darling, Warrenton and Young Memorial Presbyterian Churches.

Introduction of First Time Commissioners

Commissioners attending for the first time were introduced and welcomed. An orientation was provided for all commissioners prior to the opening of the meeting.

Appointment of Standing Committee

The following persons will serve on the Resolutions Committee: Reverend Ted Churn, Reverend Bob Inskip and Elders: Martha Strayhorn and Betsy Knode Newton.

The Attendance Report will be read by the Recording Clerk at the end of the meeting.

Seating of Corresponding Members

The following persons were seated as Corresponding Members: Nancy Clark (Presbytery of the James); Tom Carlson (NC Council of Churches); Ashley Griffith (Arkansas Presbytery); Robert Westlund (Charlotte Presbytery); Monique Misenga-Mukuna (PCUSA Missions). Monique is the Director of the Women and Families Department of the Presbyterian

Church of Kinshasa (CPK), the National Secretary for Protestant Women, and the Coordinator of HIV/AIDS work in her church.

REPORT OF STATED CLERK

Elder Barbara Campbell Davis

Received by the Presbytery:

1. Minutes of the commission to install Duane Hix as Pastor of White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Willow Springs, on August 3, 2008.
2. Minutes of commission to ordain William Jason Leonard as Minister of Sacrament and Word at First Presbyterian Church, Goldsboro, on August 10, 2008.
3. Minutes of the commission to ordain and install Elizabeth Michael as Associate Pastor of Trinity Avenue Presbyterian Church, Durham on August 17, 2008.
4. Minutes of the commission to ordain Sophie Marian Draffin as Minister of Word and Sacrament at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Durham, on August 17, 2008.
5. Minutes of Commission to install Jason Leonard as Pastor of Geneva, Hebron and Oak Hill Presbyterian Churches, Henderson on August 24, 2008.
6. Minutes of the commission to ordain and install Jeffrey Kim as Associate Pastor of Duraleigh .Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, on September 7, 2008.
7. Minutes of the commission to install Franklin Golden as Pastor of St. John’s Presbyterian Church, Durham on September 14, 2008.
8. Minutes of the commission to install John Rogers as Associate Pastor for Campus Ministry at University Presbyterian Church, Chapel Hill on September 21, 2008.
9. Report of the Administrative Commission for New Hope Presbyterian Church, Willow Springs
10. Report of the Administrative Commission for Grace Chapel Fellowship
11. Report of the Administrative Commission for NC Korean Presbyterian Church
12. The Grace Chapel Fellowship be chartered as the Grace Chapel Community Presbyterian Church on November 18, 2008.
13. The Sessional Records for the following churches:
 - Covenant, Wendell for 2006 & 2007 with minor exceptions
 - First, Ahoskie for 2007 with minor exceptions
 - Davie Street, Raleigh for 2007 without exceptions
 - Raleigh, First for 2007 without exceptions

- Ebenezer, New Bern for 2006 & 2007 without exceptions
- Neuse Forest, New Bern for 2004, 2005, 2006 & 2007 without exceptions
- New Bern First for 2006 & 2007 without exceptions
- West New Bern for 2006 & 2007 without exceptions
- Washington, First for 2006 & 2007 without exceptions

PRAYER CONCERNS:

1. Richard Roemmich (Elder, Eno) whose Son, Richard, Jr., is recovering from a heart procedure.
2. Clara Horner (Elder, Eno) who was diagnosed with cancer.
3. Charles Waddell (Clerk, Fairfield) whose wife, Mabel, was diagnosed with Cancer.
4. Ellen Hall (Elder, White Memorial, Raleigh) who is recovering from hip replacement surgery.
5. Peggy Rodgers-Leggett (CLP Howard Memorial) who is recovering from surgery.
6. Jody Welker (Pastor, Kirk of Kildaire) whose father is hospitalized.

CONGRATULATIONS:

1. Efland Presbyterian Church on their 100th Anniversary.
2. Franklin Golden (Pastor, St. John's) and wife, Martha, on the birth of their son, Davis Patrick Golden, July 25, 2008.
3. Geneva Presbyterian Church on the 175th Anniversary.
4. Ahoskie 1st on their 80th anniversary.
5. Davie Street Presbyterian Church, Raleigh on their 140th Anniversary.

CONDOLENCES TO:

1. The family of Leon Weaver (Elder, Morton Memorial) who died on August 18, 2008.
2. Joe Harvard (Pastor, First Durham) and wife, Carlisle, on the death of her mother, Elizabeth Caughman, on July 29, 2008.
3. The family of Donald L. McGee (Elder New Hope, Willow Springs) who died on July 25, 2008.
4. Willie Brazil (MAL) whose sister, Pamela Brazil, died September 2, 2008.
5. The family of Agnes Allen (Elder, Eno) who died on September 6, 2008.
6. The family of Charlie Bunn Pope (Elder, Eno) who died on September 8, 2008.
7. Duart (Dhu) Johnston, (Elder, Washington First), mother of Nelson Johnston (LP), who died August 23, 2008,
8. The family of Charles Savin (Elder, Ahoskie First) who died September 26, 2008.
9. The family of Lee Wasak (Elder, Covenant, Wendell) who died on September 22, 2008.

Reverend Candace Worth introduced Lisa Wiseman, PCUSA Mission Co-Worker in the Congo. The Stated Clerk recognized all Elders and Ministers serving over 50 years.

The Stated Clerk recognized the Session of Goldsboro Korean Presbyterian Church – the oldest Korean Session, all female session.

Report of Task Force on Issues that Matter

Reverend David Huffman, Moderator, explains the “Gradient of Agreement” scale and distributed opinion surveys to the attendees., This survey is taken from the book: Facilitators Guide to Participatory Decision Making by Sam Kaner. The reason for the survey: “The PC(USA) should ordain practicing homosexuals as ministers of the Word and Sacrament, elders, and deacons”. The survey is being completed for information only as to the gradient of feelings on this issue within the presbytery.

Results:

Endorsement	59
Endorsement + minor points of contention	16
Agreement but with reservations	34
Abstain	5
Stand Aside	6
Formal Disagreement	11
Formal Disagreement – Won't implement	12
Block	62

REPORT OF NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Ellen Hall, Moderator

The following persons were elected to serve the committee/position for the year(s) as indicated:

Vice-Moderator of Presbytery: **Leigh Gillis**

Camp Albemarle Board of Directors: **Barbara Curran**
Council:

Class of 2009: Brenda Brown, Constance Button, Ann Cobb, Sybil Steele Henderson, Ed Mcleod, Robert Owens, Jerry Slaymaker

Class of 2010: Ellen Hall, Ingram Hedgpeth, Freeda Lawrence, Willy Leonard, **Jim Ferry; Leigh Gillis**

Class of 2011: **Linda Parker, Troy Janel Dixon; Susan Mazzara; Cader Howard; Thomas Wilson; Connie Watson**

Finance & Property:

Class of 2009: Brown Gardner, Sybil Steele Henderson

Class of 2010: John Pilutti, Margaret Purser

Class of 2011: **Tommy Pate**

Communications:

Class of 2009: Margot Hausmann, Jeffrey Herrin

Class of 2010: Sadie Fowle, Allen Renz

Class of 2011: **Bob Gates**

Organizational Development & Evaluation:

Class of 2009: A.A. Jerry Slaymaker, Robert Sturdivant

Class of 2010: Lisa Bailey, Thomas Shaw

Class of 2011:

New Hope Foundation:

Class of 2009: Phillipps Kramer, Ronald Scheeler, Edwin Stock

Class of 2010: Samuel Douglas, David Rendall, Augustus Thompson

Class of 2011: **Lynette Pridgeon**

Permanent Judicial Commission:

Class of 2010: Claude Andrews, Nelson Crisp, Haywood Holderness

Class of 2012: Cader Howard, Georgia Stussie, Denise Thorpe

Class of 2014: **Spottswood Graves**

Committee on Representation:

Class of 2009: Edith Lee

Class of 2010: Donna Frederick, Jane Hare

Class of 2011: Peggie Kearney, Thomas Wilson

Division for Leadership Development: **James Ferry - Moderator**

Class of 2009: Connie Button, Janise Smith, Will Walls

Class of 2010: Stephanie Arnold, Nonie Booth, James Ferry, Ronald McMenamin

Class of 2011: **Susan Dunlop, Marilyn Hedgpeth**

Committee on Ministry:

Class of 2009: Leon Bissett, Connie Button, Doug Eddy, David Keck, Pauline Savage-Stancil, Martha Stith, Joseph Welker; **Elaine Pocalyko**

Class of 2010: Mary Holmes Banner, Ken Cates, Drew Clark, William Nickels, Anna Pinckney Straight, Tracey Walston-Bailey; **Jae Kim, Jim Henninger**

Class of 2011: **Janel Dixon, Kyle Allen, Ann Huckenbeck, Dick Marks, Billy Leggett; John "Rocky" Stone; Ron Stoker**

Examinations:

Class of 2009: Gary Fulton, Mary Gale, Deborah Kirk, Sue McLaurin

Class of 2010: Elizabeth Day, Dottie Dubose-Blum; David Huffman; Katherine Kussmaul

Class of 2011: **Matthew Hardin; Mary Holderness; James McKnight; Melinda Merkle King**

Commissioned Lay Pastor Committee:

Class of 2009: Kevin Brunk; Peggy Griffin; Lisa Hebacker

Class of 2010: James Eller; Ronn McCracken; Ann Stephenson

Class of 2011: **Ed Moore**

Sessional Records Committee:

Class of 2009: Dennis Robison; Janice Smith

Class of 2010: Kathy Barnes; John Whisler; Nancy Winslow

Class of 2011: **Linda Barnes; Martha Strayhorn**

Preparation for Ministry:

Class of 2009: Donovan Drake; Susan Mazzara; Deborah Osterhoudt; Richard Rice; Jack Simonds; Steven Wick

Class of 2010: Shirley Blanks; Darryl Evans; Janet Livengood; Omotolokun Omokunde; Mary Shelby; Thomas Watkins

Class of 2011: **Betty Berghaus; Christopher Edmonston; Kerri Hefner; Nancy Jones; Richard McKellar; Byron Wade**

Division of Congregational Ministries:

Class of 2009: Ann Cobb; Jennifer Gospodarek; JoAnne McMenamin

Class of 2010: Betty Berghaus; Debbie Sealey; Cameron Womack

Class of 2011: **Faye Mumford; Joyce Buschhaus; Janet Stark**

Christian Education:

Class of 2009: Sung Hee Chang; Nancy Darter; Katie Ricks; Nancy Rozak; David White

Class of 2010: Betty Berghaus; Brenda Brown; Julie Buttram; Sally McGahey; Gary Wires

Class of 2011: **Dale Sauls; Jane Wilson; Sara Finnerty**

Stewardship Education:

Class of 2009: William Chappell; Edward Roberson

Class of 2010: Wade Jackson; Ada Winters

Class of 2011: **David Aldrich; Edward Donnell**

Older Adult:

Class of 2009: Betty Bailey; Henrietta Clark

Class of 2010: Doris Murrell; Dawn Marie Omokunde

Class of 2011: **JoAnne McMenamin; Barbara Curran**

Multicultural Committee:

Class of 2009: Paul Lang;

Class of 2010: John Fricks; Leigh Gillis; Gordon Marshall

Class of 2011: **Marcia Mount Shoop, Howard Herring**

Youth Committee:

Class of 2009: Howard Dudley; James Gale; Jennifer Gospodarek

Class of 2010: Amy Douglas Brown; Nathan Peifer; Sara Slade; Carolyn Snipes; Amy Veatch

Class of 2011: **Anne Hunter; Dylan Ward**

Division for Outreach Ministries:

Class of 2009: Bessie Bulluck; Harriet Jennings; Jane Love; Robert Pace

Class of 2010: Herbert Dail; W. Boyd DeVane

Class of 2011: **Linda Parker; Candace Worth**

Church Development and Evangelism:

Class of 2009: James Gale; Robert Pace, Sefton Strickland, **Harry Nelson**

Class of 2010: Derris Bradshaw, Theodore Churn, Raymond Cobb; Fred Fuller

Class of 2011: **Stephen Aschmann; Aleta Ash; Chad Neal; Michael Nevling**

Ministries of Mission:

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

Class of 2010: Claudaline Greene; Sue Hinman; James Hite; Caroling Craig Proctor; Ryan Rasmussen

Class of 2011: **Linda Parker; Candice White; Sandy Lee; Joe Hester**

Campus Ministry:

Class of 2009: Danny Bell; Bill Cobb; Thomas Murphy; Cathy Church Norman; Lori Pistor

Class of 2010: Betty Connette; Rebecca Hutto; Kenneth Summerville

Class of 2011: **Paul White; Brett Webb-Mitchell**

Self-Development of People:

Class of 2009: John Etheredge; James Hodge; Tilda Howard

Class of 2010: Timothy Neal; Raymond Privott; Martha Strayhorn

Class of 2011: **Leorita Hankerson; Joseph Ward; Ray Watson**

North Carolina Presbyterian High Education Ministry:

Class of 2009: **Bill Cobb**

Class of 2010: **Thomas Murphy**

Class of 2011: **Allen Proctor**

Report of Committee on Preparation for Ministry

Reverend Christopher Edmonston, Moderator

Report by Reverend Byron Wade, Vice-Moderator

Received as inquirer: Candice Ryals (First, Durham)

Removed from the roll of inquirers: Steve Surer

Certified ready to receive a call: Jocelyn Cadwallader

(Cary) Recommend the following be received as

candidates with reception:

The presbytery received the following as candidates: Betsy Eder (West Raleigh) was introduced by letter by Reverend Joseph Ward; Aimee Goldmeyer (Saint Andrews) was introduced by letter by Reverend Michael Nevling and Joette Steger (Western Boulevard) was introduced by letter by Betty Connette. The Candidates were presented by Reverend Byron Wade. Moderator Robert Owens examined the applicants, presented their constitutional questions and offered the blessing of the applicants. Rev. Byron Wade gave the charge to the applicants.

Report of Council

Reverend Ingram Hedgpeh, Moderator

Presbytery approved the following:

1. The sale of the Trinity Presbyterian Church Building in Smithfield for \$85,000.
2. That Western Boulevard Presbyterian Church, Raleigh will submit a loan application to Presbyterian Loan and Investment Program for up to \$330,000.
3. The Administrative Commission to deal with matters at Fairview Presbyterian Church: Members: Ministers: Robert Inskeep, Gloria Johnson, Jim Davis and elders: Robert Owens and Eve Creech.
4. The Administrative Commission for closing the Plymouth Presbyterian Church. Members to include: Ministers: Doug Eddy, Richard Rice, Robert Clark and Elders: Pauline Savage-Stancil, Mary Lee Clark, Richard Knox, Monna Lou Hopkins and Cathy Spencer.
5. New Hope Presbytery will continue to support the Career and Personal Counseling Service as it has in the past.
6. That Patricia B. O'Neal, Bookkeeper of the Presbytery of New Hope be retired effective January 1, 2009.
7. The presbytery will become the contracting agency for a website domain and work to develop, host and maintain websites for approximately 66 churches in the presbytery that do not have one. Cost to each church to be \$195 per year.
8. Additional persons to serve on the Presbytery Office Task Force: Reverend Jimmie Hawkins and Elders Ann Montgomery and Eva Clayton.
9. Elected to serve on the Nominating Committee, Class of 2011: Judith Rogers, Carole McCartyne
10. Elected to serve on the Personnel Committee, Class of 2010: Vernetta Dean; Class of 2011: Rev. James McKinnon and Connia Watson

11. That attendance information for each stated meeting will be reported by the recording clerk at the end of each meeting.
12. Approved the audit for the year 2007.

Report of Personnel Committee

Connia Watson, Moderator

Patricia O'Neal was recognized for her service as Bookkeeper with the Presbytery for 20 years. Pat will official retire as of January 1, 2009. She received an all expense paid trip to the APA conference for 2009 at the Disney World Resort, plaque, flowers, cards and a gift certificate.

The following persons were recognized for achieving certification with the Administrative Personnel Association (PCUSA):

Sharyl Monkovich (Raleigh First) Level I

Gail Reynolds (Westminster, Durham) Level I

Barbara Fletcher (Westminster, Durham) Level II

Patricia Donofrio (Office Staff) Level III

Report of Outreach Division

Reverend Linda Parker, Moderator

Reverend Linda Parker reviewed the Outreach Division Booklet, distributed at this meeting., and the work of the Outreach Division.

Report of Examinations Committee

Reverend Matt Hardin, Moderator

Sermons were heard from Candidates Casey Clark, Berry French, Charles Jones and Clark Scalera. The examinations of all candidates and ministers Robert Westlund, Ashley Griffith, Preston Smith and Lay Pastor Wally Spragins were sustained.

Worship

Worship was led by Jan Maynard, Rev. Alan Koeneke, Jeff Stevenson, Rev. Omotolokun Omokunde, Rev. Jonathan Sherrod, with pianist Kathy Webb. The sermon was presented by Monique Misenga-Mukuna, Missionary. Communion was offered to all present. The offering of \$1,140.17 will be shared equally by ACTS (Area Christians Together in Service of Vance County Outreach) and ACIM (Area Christians in Ministry of Granville County Outreach).

Announcements

Rainey Ratchford spoke on the Grandfather Homes for Children.

Sue Hinman spoke on ACIM and ACTS – outreach in Vance and Granville Counties.

James Dail spoke on the Youth Committee and Youth Council of the Presbytery along with Youth

Representatives Emily Lamb and Wilson Kennedy

Barbara Campbell Davis invited all ministers to the National Pastors Sabbath at Sunset Beach, NC.

Report of Committee on Ministry

Reverend Connie Button, Moderator

The Presbytery approved the following:

1. Interim Supply Agreement with Rev. William Nickels, III and First Presbyterian Church, Kinston effective September 8, 2008. Terms: Salary \$33,492; Housing \$28,410; Social Security \$5,128; Accountable Reimbursement \$5,200; Pension/Medical \$19,499. Total \$91,729. Four weeks vacation and two weeks continuing education.
2. Interim Supply Agreement with Rev. Brett Webb Mitchell and First Presbyterian Church, Henderson effective August 18, 2008 through February 18, 2009. Terms: Salary \$17,420; Housing \$27,000; Social Security \$3,398; Accountable Reimbursement \$5,780; Pension/Medical \$13,992. Total \$67,590. Four weeks vacation and two weeks continuing education.
3. Interim Supply Agreement with Rev. Debbie Osterhoudt (AoP) and North Raleigh Presbyterian Church effective September 2, 2008. Terms: Salary \$45,000; Social Security \$3442.50; Accountable Reimbursement \$3,000; Pension/Medical \$14,175. Total \$65,617.50. Four weeks vacation and one week study leave.
4. Dissolution of Rev. Daniel Dieth and White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Raleigh effective September 7, 2008.
5. Dissolution of Rev. Debbie Osterhoudt and Wake Forest Presbyterian Church effective September 1, 2008.
6. Dissolution of Rev. Thomas Watkins and Covenant Presbyterian Church, Wendell effective August 31, 2008.
7. Dissolution of Rev. Allen Proctor and Campus Ministry of NCSU effective December 31, 2008.
8. Dissolution of Rev. In Sung Hoang and NC Korean Presbyterian Church, Durham effective October 1, 2008.
9. Dissolution of Rev. Alice Plotts and First Presbyterian Church, Wilson effective November 5, 2008.
10. Dismissal of Rev. Daniel Dieth to the Presbytery of Florida effective August 31, 2008.
11. Dismissal of Rev. Sophie Marian Draffin to Grace Presbytery effective August 18, 2008.
12. Dismissal of Rev. Alice Plotts to the Presbytery of Redstone to accept a call to First Presbyterian Church, Johns Town, PA effective November 6, 2008.
13. Dismissal of Tara Woodard-Lehman to the Presbytery of New Brunswick effective October 18, 2008.
14. Rev. Bob Borland to Moderate Brookston and Young Memorial Presbyterian Churches effective July 17, 2008.
15. Rev. David Wyly was Honorably Retired effective September 1, 2008.
16. Rev. Thomas Westfall was Honorably Retired effective September 1, 2008.
17. Rev. Peter Park to Labor Outside the Bounds with the Evangelical Covenant Church to serve the Parkwood Community Church effective September 10, 2008.
18. Rev. Joseph Matthews, Minister Member of National Capital Presbytery, to Labor With the Bounds of New Hope Presbytery to serve as a Supply Minister.
19. Rev. Bodisco Massink, Honorably Retired Minister Member of Susquehanna Valley Presbytery, to Labor Within the Bounds of New Hope to serve as a Supply Minister.
20. Rev. Dean Luther, Member of Church of God, to Labor Within the Bounds of New Hope to be placed on the Supply List to preach.
21. Revised Validated Ministries Handbook, page 7
The complete Validated Ministries Handbook can be found at the presbytery website.
22. That White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Raleigh request to waive vacancy dues for prior position of Associate Pastor for Youth and Their Families effective October 8, 2008
23. The call to Rev. Robert Westlund to serve as Pastor of Englewood Presbyterian Church, Rocky Mount effective September 1, 2008. Terms are: Salary \$36,000; Housing \$24,000; Social Security \$4,590; Accountable Reimbursement \$6,100; Pension/Medical \$18,900. Total \$89,590. Four weeks vacation and two weeks continuing education.
24. The call to Casey Clark to serve as Associate Pastor of Triangle Presbyterian Church, Durham. The committee approved Casey to come on to the field September 7, 2008. Terms: Salary \$20,000; Housing \$18,000; Social Security \$2,565; Accountable Reimbursement \$3,800; Pension/Medical \$11,970. Total \$56,335. Four weeks vacation and two weeks continuing education
25. The call to Rev. Tom Watkins to serve as Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Wilson effective September 16, 2008. Terms are: Salary and Housing \$76,500; Social Security \$5,852; Accountable Reimbursement \$9,000; Pension/Medical \$24,098; Total \$115,450. Four weeks vacation and two weeks continuing education.
26. Rev. Ashley Griffith become a Minister Member at Large of New Hope Presbytery and serve as Chaplain of Peace College effective August 14, 2008 be approved. Terms: Salary \$24,000; Housing \$20,000; Social Security \$3,366; Pension/Medical \$13,860. Total Compensation \$61,266. Two weeks vacation and two weeks continuing education.
27. The call to Rev. Bruce Grady to serve as Part-Time Associate Pastor of Western Boulevard Presbyterian Church, Raleigh effective October 19, 2008. Terms: Salary: \$8,858; Housing \$10,000; Social Security \$1,443; Accountable Reimbursement \$1,000; Medical/Pension \$8,698. Total \$29,999. Three weeks vacation and one week continuing education.
28. The call to Berry French to serve as Pastoral Resident for Youth Ministry, a Validated Ministry at White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, effective August 15, 2008 through August 15, 2010. Terms: Salary \$19,351; Housing \$18,592; Social Security \$2,903; Pension/Medical \$11,952; continuing education \$1,000. Total \$53,798. Four weeks vacation and two weeks continuing education.

29. The call to Clark Scalera to serve as Pastoral Resident for Congregational Ministry, a Validated Ministry at White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, effective August 15, 2008 through August 15, 2010. Terms: Salary \$19,351; Housing \$18,592; Social Security \$2,903; Pension/Medical \$11,952; Continuing Education \$1,000. Total \$53,798. Four weeks vacation and two weeks continuing education.
30. The call to Charles Jones to serve as Designated Associate Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Rocky Mount, for three years, effective November 1, 2008. Terms: Salary \$24,722; Housing \$20,000; Social Security \$3,773; Pension/Medical \$15,536; Accountable Reimbursement \$6,700, other of \$4,600. Total \$75,331. Four weeks vacation and two weeks continuing education.
31. The call to Rev. Preston Smith to serve as Pastor of Falkland Presbyterian Church effective November 23, 2008. Terms: Salary \$9,330; Housing \$24,000; Social Security \$2,440; Pension/Medical \$11,619; Accountable Reimbursement \$5,000 Total \$52,389. Four weeks vacation and two weeks continuing education. Rev. Smith will retain membership as a minister of the United Church of Christ.
32. Wallace Spragins be commissioned as Commissioned Lay Pastor for Grace Chapel Community Presbyterian Church effective November 18, 2008. Terms are: \$165.00 per Sunday.
33. The Commission to ordain and install Berry French as Pastoral Resident for Youth Ministry at White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Raleigh on November 30, 2008 at 11 AM. Commission: Ministers; Art Ross and Elders: Frances Taylor Ginch, Jessica Tate, Carson Brissom, Barbara Campbell Davis.
34. The Commission to ordain and install Philip Clark Scalera as Pastoral Resident at White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Raleigh on November 30, 2008 at 11 AM. Commission: Ministers: Art Ross and Elders: Frances Taylor Ginch, Jessica Tate, Carson Brissom, Barbara Campbell Davis.
35. The Commission to install Rev. Preston Smith as Pastor of Falkland Presbyterian Church on November 23, 2008 at 3:00 PM. Commission: Ministers: Bettie Kirkpatrick, Claude Andrews, Bill Neely and Elders: Donna Jordan, Ralph Smith and Barbara Campbell Davis. Guest Ministers: Jody Wright (Lakeside Baptist Church) and Vertie Powers (UCC).
36. The Commission to install Rev. Bruce Grady as Part-Time Associate Pastor of Western Boulevard Presbyterian Church on November 30, 2008. Commission: Ministers: Byron Wade, Betty Connette, Jody Welker and Elders: Martha Barrick, Felecia Hardy.
37. The Commission to ordain and install Charles Jones as Designated Associate Pastor for First Presbyterian Church, Rocky Mount on November 9, 2008 at 5:00 PM. Commission: Ministers: Rev. Jim McKinnon, Rev. Marilyn Hein. Rev. Bettie Kirkpatrick, Rev. Ted Churn and Elders: Martha Stith, Jim Dickens, Linda Amerson.
38. The Commission to ordain and install Casey Clark as Associate Pastor of Triangle Presbyterian Church, Durham on October 26, 2008 at 4 PM. Commission: Ministers; Rev. Ray Cobb, Rev. Jeffrey Kim, Lori Pistor and Elders: Bob Ward, Barbara Campbell Davis. Guest Ministers Billy Craig and Nancy Clark and Guest Elder Bridget Walker will sit with the commission.
39. The Commission to Install Rev. Thomas Watkins as Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Wilson on February 15, 2009 at 11 AM. Commission: Ministers: Bob Borland, John Brothers, Jim McKinnon and Elders: Betty McCain, Pam Paul, David Kelly and Nancy Sumner. David Paul will sit with the commission.
40. The Commission to Install Rev. Robert Westlund as Pastor of Englewood Presbyterian Church, Rocky Mount, on November 2, 2008 at 4:00 PM. Commission: Ministers: Rev. Ray Cobb, Rev. Christopher Edmonston, Rev. Betty Kirkpatrick and Elders: Chester Bissette; John Etheredge; Denise Bissette and Barbara Campbell Davis.
41. That candidates under care of New Hope Presbytery preach before the Committee on Preparation for Ministry and that their sermon be the candidate sermon and be approved as part of being certified ready to receive a call.
1. Recommend that candidates of other presbyteries preach before our Examinations Committee, as part of the examination for ordination.
 2. Recommend that candidates sermons be taped and placed on the Presbytery of New Hope Website one week prior to the stated meeting.
- Rationale: It is becoming very difficult to find churches as well as other facilities for stated meetings that will accommodate multiple candidates separate rooms to preach during the examination process. Approved to authorize COM to do as above for one meeting. COM is to bring a revised proposal to the February 2009 meeting.

42. Minimum Standards of Compensation for 2009

	2008	2009	Increase
Without Manse			
Cash salary + housing	31,900	33,020	1,120
Social Security	2,440	2,526	86
Board of Pensions	10,049	10,401	352
ARP	3,000	3,000	0
Total	47,389	48,947	1,558
3.29% increase			
With Manse			
Cash Salary	23,809	24,839	1,030
Manse Value	7,361	7,451	90
Social Security	2,440	2,526	86
Shared Housing Equity	730	730	0
Board of Pensions	10,049	10,401	352
ARP	3,000	3,000	0
Total	47,389	48,947	1,558
3.29% Increase			

43. The Presbytery voted to disapprove the request to validate the C'Access Ministry by a written ballot of: 50 – 26.

The request to Validate the C'Access Ministry was not approved for the following reasons:

- ◆ There is not sufficient evidence of supervision and accountability as required by (Book of Order (2005-2007) G-11.0403d: “The ministry shall be carried on in accountability for its characters and conduct to the presbytery and to organizations, agencies, and institutions.”)
- ◆ There is no evidence of the existence of an independent Board who would be charged with the responsibility of reviewing the work of the minister and the ministry and holding the minister accountable for the ministry.

The minister is the sole shareholder of the business and its sole employee, there is lack of checks and balances with regards to the fiduciary responsibilities of the ministry.

Note: Rev. Westbrook stated in part that one of the reasons for his request for validation of this ministry was to get medical coverage with the Board of Pensions. Lack of coverage has caused some stress to him and his family.

Note: Elder Ash Pipkin pointed out that in reviewing Reverend Fred Westbrook's papers on the website, they do not refer to any religious involvement. Also Reverend Westbrook's D.Min. does not identify that he is a Minister of Word and Sacrament.

Special Prayer

Moderator, Elder Robert Owens led the presbytery in a special prayer for the denomination. This special prayer was in response to a request by the Outer Banks Presbyterian Church.

Recognition of CLP

Rev. Ronn McCracken recognized the service of Herbert Dail, CLP. Herbert will be presented with a plaque recognizing his dedication and service for 38 years.

Report of Standing Committee

The Presbytery received the report of the Resolutions Committee as was given by Betsy Newton. The report of the attendance was read by Rev. Juli Gicker-Anderson, recording clerk.

Adjourn

The meeting was closed with prayer by Moderator, Robert Owens at 4:10 PM.

Next Stated Meeting

February 21, 2008

Cary Presbyterian Church