



Presbytery OF Greater Atlanta

*Growing Healthy, Vital Congregations
Equipping Healthy, Innovative Leaders*

Commissioner Handbook

Stated Meeting

May 2, 2023
9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

via Zoom

[Registration Required](#) by **noon, Monday, May 1, 2023**

STRATEGIC PURPOSE

To be a catalyst, creator and equipper of healthy, vital and growing congregations and equip healthy, innovative leaders in all regions of the Presbytery.

ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS

1. Download and install Zoom onto your device.
 - a. Computer - go to https://zoom.us/download#client_4meeting
 - b. Tablets and smartphones, install Zoom from your App Store. This version of Zoom will look different than the computer version.
2. Registering for the Meeting
 - a. Registration for the meeting is required by **noon on Monday, May 1, 2023**. This can be completed at www.atlpcusa.org/stated-meeting-registration.
 - b. After you register, you will be emailed a link to join the meeting no later than 3:00pm on Monday, May 1. This link is unique to you—do not share it! You will receive a reminder of the link the morning of the meeting.
 - c. If you have not received your link by 3:00pm on Monday, May 1, please contact zoom@atlpcusa.org for assistance.
3. Joining the Meeting:
 - a. To join the meeting, click the link and allow Zoom to open on your device.
 - b. Choose your audio input setting; choose *computer audio* if you are unsure.
 - c. The meeting will open with pre-presbytery music at 8:50am. If you join before that time, you will be placed in the waiting room.
4. Meeting Settings:
 - a. If there are multiple voting commissioners in a household, you will need to use one device per commissioner to vote. This is to allow each vote in the household to be counted.
 - b. Please be a few minutes early and adjust your settings during this time. Double check that your video and audio are working. If you are using video, check that lighting is good and minimize background distractions if possible. We will be admitting attendees beginning at 8:50 if you want to join early to be sure you are able to connect.
 - c. Please note: **You must use the link from your computer or other smart device to participate in the meeting.** We will not be offering telephone access for this meeting.
 - d. Please keep your audio on mute. You will not be able to unmute yourself. If you have a question or comment, use the *Raise Hand* feature to let the Moderator and meeting leaders know that you would like to speak. When the Moderator calls on you, the host will unmute you when called on and resume muting after you are finished speaking.
 - e. We encourage you to have your video feed on when you are able to do so to indicate to others your participation in the meeting. If you need to step away from the meeting for a few moments, please turn your video feed off.
5. Votes will be completed using Zoom's polling feature.
6. We will be in breakout rooms for several portions of the meeting. You will be prompted to choose and join a breakout room at that time.
7. If you have a problem during the meeting, message Miranda Segrest in the Zoom meeting or send an email to zoom@atlpcusa.org.

PRESBYTERY OF GREATER ATLANTA....

WE ARE A MATTHEW 25 PRESBYTERY AND PARTICIPATING IN THE VITAL CONGREGATIONS INITIATIVE! (VCI)



Building Congregational Vitality

Dismantling Structural Racism

Eradicating Systemic Poverty



SAVE THE DATES FOR UPCOMING PRESBYTERY MEETINGS

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| Tuesday, August 15, 2023 | 9:00-12:30 | VCI Mark Seven: |
| <i>in-person at Shallowford Presbyterian Church</i> | | Ecclesial Health |
| Saturday, November 4, 2023 | 9:00-12:30 | VCI Celebration: |
| <i>Zoom/hybrid</i> | | Show Your Marks! |
| <i>(in-person at North Decatur Presbyterian Church)</i> | | |

OFFERING INFORMATION

Today's offering supports Presbyterian Homes of Georgia's Caring Hands Offering.

[Presbyterian Homes of Georgia](#) is a Christian ministry providing exceptional services to enhance the quality of life for senior adults. Presbyterian Homes of Georgia has served senior adults from all religious denominations and financial situations, offering a full range of programs and accommodations.

Presbyterian Homes of Georgia consists of six communities. Three are Life Plan/Continuing Care Retirement Communities: Presbyterian Home and Retirement Community in Quitman, Presbyterian Village in Austell, and Presbyterian Village in Athens. Three are affordable senior living apartment communities: Philips Tower in Decatur, Calvin Court in Atlanta's Buckhead neighborhood, Swainsboro Presbyterian Apartments in Emanuel County. Together, the six Presbyterian Homes communities serve more than 1,300 residents.

The Caring Hands Fund is the heart of the ministry of Presbyterian Homes of Georgia and benefits our most vulnerable residents. Caring Hands helps with meal assistance to address food insecurities, rides to appointments to ensure the medical, mental spiritual health of our residents, and help with medical bills or devices that they might otherwise be unable to afford. These funds add to the quality of life and overall well-being of our residents. Whenever we see a need, we seek to fill it.

To make a donation, use the QR code above, visit our website at www.atlpcusa.org and click on the green "Give" button found in the middle of the website, or use the link provided in the chat.



PASTORAL CARE CONCERNS

The Pastor-to-Pastor/Educator Team is available to minister to all clergy and educators. If you are sick or have any need to have a confidential conversation about personal matters, they will respond. Please contact any of the following people listed below. For more information about the Pastor-to-Pastor Team, visit www.atlpcusa.org/pastortopastor

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CHURCH CONFLICT PHONE CONSULTS

Are you a leader struggling to find an appropriate response to a sticky situation or challenging issue in your church? Did you know members of the Presbytery's Shalom Team are available to provide brief (45-50 mins) conflict consultations? In most cases, they offer strategic perspective to help leaders balance both situations and relationships in the church. If you could benefit from this confidential service, please contact any of the following Shalom Team members to arrange a phone consultation:

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DOCKET

Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta
May 2, 2023 | via Zoom
Online Host Congregations: El Nazareno and Fairview
Theme: VCI Mark 6: Caring Relationships

8:50	Pre-Meeting Music	El Nazareno Presbyterian Church
9:00	Opening Prayer Welcome by Host Pastors	Moderator Iris Wallace Nelson Donado and Melissa McNair-King
9:05	Call to Worship Opening Hymn	(leader from El Nazareno) Fairview Musicians
9:10	Declaration of Quorum Zoom Orientation Omnibus Motion Stated Clerk's Report and Communications Report (p. 8-13)	Andy James
9:15	Executive Presbyter's Report (p. 14)	Aisha Brooks-Johnson
9:25	Committee on Preparation for Ministry (p. 15-18)	Emma Neishloss
9:35	Video Updates from Presbytery Partnerships	
9:40	Examinations Commission (p. 19-32)	Alex Moses
10:05	Committee on Ministry (p. 33-37)	Sherri Bozardt and Julie Ferguson
10:10	Scripture and Sermon	Trace Haythorn
10:30	Breakout Groups for Discussion	
10:40	Litany of Gratitude for Connections	Holly Reimer
10:45	New Church Development Commission (p. 39-41)	Lindsay Armstrong
10:55	PCUSA Ministry Engagement Advisor (p. 42)	Sy Hughes
11:00	Video Updates from Presbytery Partnerships	
11:05	Council (p. 43-56)	Juan Herrera
11:10	Presbyterian Women (p. 57-59)	Pepe Bowman
11:15	Call for Offering (benefiting Presbyterian Homes Caring Hands Fund) Offertory Prayer of Dedication	Moderator Iris Wallace El Nazareno Musicians Moderator Iris Wallace

11:20 Nominating Committee (p. 60-62)
Committee on Representation (p. 63)

Debbie Durden
Tully Fletcher and Cyndi Smith

11:25 Closing Hymn: “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”
Benediction and Blessing

Fairview Musicians
Moderator Iris Wallace

11:30 Partnership Breakout Rooms

PROPOSED OMNIBUS MOTION

The following items are proposed for approval in the omnibus motion:

- Docket for the Meeting (p. 6-7)
 - Minutes of the Stated Meeting of February 11, 2023 ([available on the presbytery website](#))
 - Admit to Record Items in the Communications Report (p. 9-10)
 - Admit to Record Items in the Committee on Preparation for Ministry Report (p. 15)
 - Admit to Record Items in the Committee on Ministry Report (p. 33-37)
 - Admit to Record Item in the Council Report (p. 43)
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MEETING EVALUATION

Help us plan for future stated meetings of the Presbytery by completing an evaluation of this meeting. Look for an email with a link to the evaluation survey or visit www.atlpcusa.org/stated-meeting-evaluation.

STATED CLERK'S REPORT

For Information:

1. The 2022 Session Annual Statistical Report was completed by 77 of our 85 congregations. The final report of congregational membership and the aggregate statistics for the Presbytery can be found on the pages following this report. Many thanks to the clerks of session, church administrators, treasurers, and others who contributed data to complete this information that gives us a better picture of who we are as a Presbytery and denomination in these changing times.
2. As the Presbytery continues its use of Zoom for at least two stated meetings and other events each year, we are looking for volunteer Tech Deacons to help with virtual and hybrid meetings. Tech Deacons help with behind the scenes digital projects such as assisting in Zoom meetings, operating hardware components such as computers, video cameras, or audio mixers, and support Presbytery staff operating these systems. Some roles can be done from home, such as Zoom support, while others will require on-site assistance. Contact Mark Sauls at msauls@atlpcusa.org with any questions or to volunteer, and thanks to Steve Cashwell for serving as a tech deacon for this meeting!
3. Thank you for your responses to the stated meeting evaluation survey after the last stated meeting! We will continue these surveys after each meeting so that we can better plan our time and work for future meetings. Look for an email after the meeting if you pre-registered, or visit www.atlpcusa.org/stated-meeting-evaluation.
4. Caring relationships are marked by opportunities to work, worship, and have fun together. We invite you to a Presbytery Night at Atlanta United on Wednesday, May 31, at 7:30 P.M., with a tailgate beforehand. Join us as we cheer on the Five Stripes versus the New England Revolution. Look for more information coming soon in the Presbytery newsletter.

COMMUNICATIONS

For Information:

1. The offering from the February Presbytery meeting to support the New Church Development Commission totaled \$1,101.45.
2. The Stated Clerk of the General Assembly reports that all proposed amendments to the *Book of Order* sent by the 225th General Assembly (2022) to the presbyteries for vote except for 22-E (regarding the retired minister roll of presbytery), 22-I (requiring paid family medical leave), and 22-U (a tweak to the Directory for Worship) have received the votes required for approval. A new edition of the *Book of Order* reflecting the full set of approved amendments will be published in summer 2023.

In light of this report, the Presbytery's Bills and Overtures Committee has informed the Stated Clerk that they will not be presenting the final four proposed amendments (22-CC, 22-DD, 22-EE, and 22-FF) for a vote of the Presbytery, since those amendments would affect only the portion of the *Book of Order* that will now be replaced with the new Church Discipline section.

3. In accordance with D-5.0206b, the following persons are those members of the Presbytery's Permanent Judicial Commission whose terms have expired within the last six years:

Class of 2022

Rev. John Callahan
Elder Marcia Noble, St. Andrews
Rev. Cecelya Taylor

Class of 2020

Rev. Frank Eldridge

Elder Iris Wallace, Radcliffe

**the third member of this class is no longer a member of the Presbytery*

Class of 2018

Elder Sue Colussy, Covenant

Elder Deron Hicks, Manchester-Warm Springs

Rev. Alex Moses

Admit to Record:

1. That the minutes of the commission to install **Jasmine Evans** as associate pastor at **North Avenue Presbyterian Church** be admitted to the record.
2. That the minutes of the commission to ordain **Sarah Vungsuanching Lane** as minister of the Word and Sacrament be admitted to the record.
3. The following people were appointed to serve on the commission to ordain **Robert Andrew Wilmesherr** as minister of the Word and Sacrament at a service on Saturday, March 25, 2023, at 11:00 A.M. at Decatur Presbyterian Church:
 - Elder Susan Gilbert, Fayette
 - Elder Teresa Merritt, Roswell
 - Rev. Martha Moore-Keish, Columbia Theological Seminary
 - Elder Keenan Rodgers, Timberridge
 - Rev. Michael Sanchez, Saint Luke's
 - Rev. John Westlund, Calvin Center
4. That the minutes of the commission to ordain **Robert Andrew Wilmesherr** as minister of the Word and Sacrament be admitted to the record.
5. The following people were appointed to serve on the commission to install **Lucy Strong** as associate pastor at **Trinity Presbyterian Church, Atlanta**, at a service on Sunday, April 23, 2023, at 11:00 A.M.* at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Atlanta:
 - Elder David Carr, Trinity Atlanta, Moderator of the Commission
 - Rev. Jody Andrade, member-at-large
 - Elder Rachel Reiff Ellis, Decatur
 - Rev. Sunghee Han, Wellstar Hospital
 - Rev. Paul Roberts, Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary
 - Elder Iris Wallace, Radcliffe

The following people were approved as guests of the commission:

Rev. Rebekah Abel Lamar, South Alabama Presbytery

Rev. Buz Wilcoxon, Foothills Presbytery

*While this time will be challenging for "substantial participation of the presbytery" as required by W-4.0202, the Clerk recognizes this happening in the composition of the commission and availability of livestream and recording.

6. The following people were appointed to serve on the commission to ordain **Katie Archibald-Woodward** as minister of the Word and Sacrament at a service on Saturday, April 29, 2023, at 3:00 A.M. at North Decatur Presbyterian Church:

Rev. Aisha Brooks-Johnson, Executive Presbyter, Moderator of the Commission

Rev. Fahed Abu-Akel, honorably retired

Elder Ellen Gadberry, North Decatur

Rev. David Lewicki, North Decatur

Elder Mary Smarr, Oakhurst

Elder Ken Whitehurst, Trinity, Decatur

The following person were approved as a guest of the commission:

Elder Harriet Archibald-Woodward, San Gabriel Valley Presbytery

2022 Presbytery Statistical Report

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Membership

Prior Active Members	30244	Adjusted membership	30278
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Gains		Losses	
Certificate	335	Certificate	253
Youth Professions	282	Deaths	373
Professions & Reaffirmations	442	Deleted for any Other Reason	918
Total Gains	1059	Total Losses	1544
Total Ending Active Members	29793		

Baptisms		Average Weekly Worship Attendance	10809
Presented by Others	270	Friends of the Congregation	5569
At Confirmation	27	Ruling Elders on Session	829
All Other	29	Do you have Deacons? Yes / No	32 / 42

Age Distribution of Active Members		People with Disabilities	
17 & Under	1845	Hearing impairment	425
18 - 25	2863	Sight impairment	128
26 - 40	4663	Mobility impairment	386
41 - 55	5443	Other impairment	334
56 - 70	6734		
Over 70	6637	Gender Distribution	
Total Age Distribution	28185	Women	16015
		Men	12228
		Non-Binary	54

Youth in Congregation			
Age 4 and under	2479	Middle School (6th – 8th grade)	2843
Elementary School (K-5th grade)	4295	High School (9th – 12th grade)	3290
		Total Youth	12907

Racial Ethnic			
Asian/Pacific Islander/South Asian	2051	Native American/Alaska Native/Indigenous	8
Black/African American/African	1913	White	13622
Middle Eastern/North African	105	Multiracial	79
Hispanic/Latino-a	224		
		Total Racial Ethnic	18002

Budgeted Income	61,012,086
Budgeted Expense	62,891,156

Receipts			
Regular Contributions	60,764,413	Bequests	1,641,118
Capital Building Fund	12,030,392	Other Income	4,723,586
Investment Income	1,725,421	Subsidy or Aid	28,881

Expenditures			
Local Program	35,778,393	Investment Expenditures	1,868,649
Local Mission	2,984,648	Per Capital Apprt	557,547
Capital Expenditures	10,328,219	Other Mission	1,011,818

2022 Statistical Reports

Congregation	City	2021 Membership	2022 Membership	Worship Attendance
Alpharetta	Alpharetta	815	749	316
Atlanta First	Atlanta	1732	1755	781
Atlanta Taiwanese	Duluth	59	59	40
Austell	Austell	98	95	49
Barnesville	Barnesville	22	22	
Bethany	Covington	77	78	40
Bremen First	Bremen	14	14	9
Buford	Sugar Hill	392	390	274
Carrollton	Carrollton	220	161	60
Central	Atlanta	498	487	289
Christ for All Nations	Tucker	50	50	
Church of the Master	Atlanta	100	89	15
Clairmont	Decatur	248	245	114
Columbia	Decatur	93	57	52
Conyers	Conyers	187	187	
Covenant	Atlanta	172	167	54
Covington First	Covington	231	190	89
Crossroads	Stone Mountain	160	153	120
Dallas-Dodd	LaGrange	22	22	21
Decatur	Decatur	738	727	281
Druid Hills	Atlanta	123	120	40
Eastminster	Stone Mountain	285	239	90
Ebenezer	Hogansville	14	19	20
Ebenezer Brazilian	Roswell			
El Nazareno	Hapeville		35	30
Emory	Atlanta	61	56	45
Fairview	Lawrenceville	89	85	38
Fayette	Fayetteville	271	258	75
Fellowship	Jackson	8	6	6
First Afrikan	Stonecrest	362	360	67
Friendship	Concord	25	24	14
Good News Garden	Norcross	79	79	60
Good Shepherd	Lilburn	242	222	124
Grace Korean	Roswell	38	45	43
Greenville	Greenville	18	18	
Gum Creek	Oxford	67	70	29
Hamilton Mill	Hoschton	110	111	50
Hanbit	Johns Creek	54	50	47
Hemphill Memorial	Stockbridge	33	33	
Hillside	Decatur	119	117	24
Jackson	Jackson	51	54	45
Johns Creek	Johns Creek	457	322	156
Jonesboro First	Jonesboro	76	72	35
Kairos	Atlanta	128	128	

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Congregation	City	2021 Membership	2022 Membership	Worship Attendance
Kelley	McDonough	38	42	20
Korean Central	Atlanta	180	185	170
Korean Community	Duluth	1430	1423	1400
LaGrange First	LaGrange	509	456	125
Lawrenceville	Lawrenceville	159	169	73
Loyd	LaGrange	170	165	50
Manchester/Wrm Sprgs 1st	Warm Springs	14	13	15
McDonough	McDonough	514	464	168
Monroe First	Monroe	81	80	65
Morningside	Atlanta	387	402	125
Morrow	Morrow	190	184	65
Mount Vernon	Sandy Springs	385	383	133
New Life	College Park	306	298	303
New PC of Georgia	Hampton	18	18	14
Newnan	Newnan	398	402	100
Norcross	Norcross	66	66	
North Avenue	Atlanta	715	700	250
North Decatur	Decatur	335	348	202
Northminster	Roswell	381	299	98
Northwest	Atlanta	193	190	60
Oakhurst	Decatur	331	332	70
Oglethorpe	Atlanta	99	98	25
PC of the Resurrection	Conyers	63	62	26
Peachtree	Atlanta	7136	7396	1200
Peachtree City First	Peachtree City	181	194	121
Philadelphia	Morrow	79	78	33
Pleasant Hill	Duluth	362	312	163
Radcliffe	Atlanta	202	192	150
Rice Memorial	Atlanta	98	92	35
Roswell	Roswell	2386	2415	624
Saint Lukes	Dunwoody	715	702	170
Shallowford	Atlanta	989	967	203
Smyrna	Conyers	95	82	32
St Andrews	Tucker	200	193	
Stockbridge	Stockbridge	123	128	86
Tallapoosa	Tallapoosa	6	5	4
Timberidge	McDonough	76	66	35
Trinity	Atlanta	1575	1598	528
Trinity	Decatur	72	67	35
Westhills	Atlanta	17	17	17
Westminster	Snellville	304	290	174

EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER'S REPORT

Vital Congregations Initiative – Mark #6 – Caring Relationships

I want to share a personal story that reminds me of the power of caring relationships. A few months ago, my neighbors stopped by to let us know of the death of one of our senior neighbors on our block. My neighbor who made me aware of this news also brought along her daughter, Eleanor, whom we affectionately refer to as Ella. I had not seen Ella since we hosted the neighborhood cookie exchange during the Advent season. Ella was expressive and playful as she entered the house. Without hesitation, I told her that we should have a nail painting party one day. Her eyes lit up as she smiled and nodded her head in agreement.



A month had passed, and I will be the first to admit that I had forgotten about my offer to host a nail painting party with my littlest neighbor, Ella. I saw Ella's dad one afternoon, and he looked at me with a hint of concern and said, "Did you schedule the nail painting party with Ella? She's really looking forward to it. And her birthday is in a few days. But no pressure." I laughed out loud and admitted that it had slipped my mind. I quickly coordinated with Ella's parents and got a date on the schedule for our playdate party.

On the day of our playdate, I picked up an assortment of cookies, pulled out teacups for milk, and put on a dress and fancy hat for the occasion. Ella came over with her dad, her stuffed dolphin, and a request to listen to the soundtrack from *Frozen*. Between the giggles, cookies, milk, and nail polish, I was reminded of the power of caring for our neighbors, strangers, family, and friends. Caring for one another means that we take the time to see one another. We find ways to relate, connect, work, serve, play, and to do life together. Caring relationships remind us that we are not called to live in isolation but to collaborate and co-create together. Caring relationships mean that we take the time to offer gratitude to the people in our lives through a note, a phone call, or a word of affirmation.



During our May Stated Meeting of the presbytery, I pray that we can celebrate the ways we are connected to one another through our presbytery partnerships, connections, and relationships. After our gathering, I pray that we will continue to practice offering a spirit of love, hospitality, and generosity to all.

ABJ

#YouAreVital #YouAreLoved

COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

Admit to Record:

- The following persons were enrolled as inquirers as of the date shown:
 - a. Daniel Kwon (Korean Community), January 26, 2023
 - b. Khai Samte (Shallowford), January 26, 2023
- The following candidate was certified ready to receive a call:
 - a. Donghyun Jeong (Korean Central), January 26, 2023
- The following candidates received a call:
 - a. Jiyoung (Irene) Choi (Korean Community) has received a call to serve as hospice chaplain at Mesun Hospice.
 - b. Robert Andrew Wilmesherr (Decatur) has received a call to serve as campus minister with UKirk Atlanta.

For Action:

1. The Committee on Preparation for Ministry recommends that the following inquirer be enrolled as a candidate as of the date shown:

Evans Baah Mintah (Hillside), March 23, 2023

A brief statement of his faith journey is attached.

For Information:

- The Committee sent a letter (attached) to the Presbyteries' Cooperative Committee on Examinations of Candidates regarding the Winter 2023 Biblical Exegesis Exam.

MY FAITH JOURNEY

I was born into the Presbyterian Church of Ghana and was baptized by Rev. Ottu Acheampong on April 20th, 1997, at Redemption Presbyterian Church in Nkoranza District Ghana, West Africa. Afterward, on April 27th, 2002, I was confirmed by Rev. Dankyi Baafi and ushered into the Adult Class. In August 2004, I was commissioned into service as Youth Pastor in the Presbyterian Church of Ghana. On April 27th, 2020, I became a member of Hillside Presbyterian Church (USA) Decatur, Georgia.

I believe my entire life has been one of preparation for the work of God (kingdom work and Gospel ministry). This belief was affirmed through activities in the Church that I enjoyed doing, including holding leadership positions, preaching at schools, and organizing Church and leadership development programs through the Presbyterian Church of Ghana. I have served the Presbyterian Church of Ghana in various capacities, as National Youth President, Bible Study and Prayer Group Director, Evangelism Director, Media Specialist, Presbytery Music Director, Youth Pastor, and Chaplain. At the Hillside Presbyterian Church (USA), I have been serving as a Worship Committee Team Member and a Member of the Church Choir. I greatly used my media expertise to enable the church to spread the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to the world (online streaming) during the Covid-19 period. Additionally, I currently have the pleasure of serving as the Director of Diasporan Relations on Youth Development and Spirituality for the Presbyterian Church of Ghana, as well as pastoring at Victory Preaching Point of the Presbyterian Church of Ghana, Riverdale GA.

I have an uncommon passion and a sense of responsibility to share God's word with people. I believe many people need to hear about God's saving grace; I believe that I am one of the people to send this message. As part of my faith journey, one significant involvement and achievement concerning the ministry of Christ that I can mention is that the National Union of Presbyterian Students of Ghana (NUPS-G), an association of Presbyterian Students in Tertiary Institutions in Ghana, appointed me to serve as the National Evangelism Coordinator from May 2007 until July 2012. My duties included training leaders to lead Bible Study Classes, developing materials to make Bible Studies practical and exciting, and organizing Presbytery and Coordinating Branch Outreach evangelism programs. By the Holy Spirit's enablement, I organized several evangelism and Outreach programs in seven out of the sixteen regions in Ghana. Through the program, more people experienced conversion and accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and savior. This achievement was to the glory of God.

As a Christian, I believe each day is an opportunity for me to examine my faith journey. My journey each day has been about studying God's word and reflecting on it. My journey has been about growing in my relationship with God. Besides, my faith journey has been a journey of gratitude to God and an ongoing dependence on God. I use every opportunity to thank God for the joy and the abundant love God has shown to me throughout my life. There have been days of a great need for God, but always I know that God is with me. God has been with me through the support and love of friends and family. God has guided me with stories of people in the Bible. God has blessed me and enhanced my prayer life.

March 10, 2023

To the Presbyteries' Cooperative Committee on Exams:

We, the Committee on Preparation for Ministry in the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, currently oversee thirty-nine individuals pursuing the ordination process. We are blessed to serve in a large presbytery, and our committee benefits greatly from the gifted pastors, chaplains, elders, and professors in our presbytery. We are also grateful for our proximity to and relationship with multiple local seminaries. The committee sees our role as walking beside and mentoring inquirers and candidates under our care as they discern their call to ministry and move through the steps to meet the requirements for ordination. We focus on building relationships, offering encouragement, and helping inquirers and candidates navigate the ordination process. Ultimately, our role is to ensure the people who come through our process are as prepared as possible for ordination, and we view both seminaries and the Presbyteries' Cooperative Committee on Examinations for Candidates as key partners in that process.

Through the course and aftermath of the Winter 2023 Exam cycle, it has become clear, however, that our committee and the PCC are not working together toward the same goal. Or, at the very least, we are not working together as effectively or as openly as we should. Our committee was deeply disappointed and dismayed by the choice of text for the Winter 2023 Exegesis Exam. Not only did the selection of Judges 19 cause harm to candidates under our care, but it also called into question the process by which exams are developed. We believe that the issues stirred up by the Winter 2023 Exams go beyond a poor scripture choice and a poorly framed premise. Our committee was struck by several questions:

In the eyes of the PCC, what is the purpose of the senior ordination exams?

Our CPM hopes to use the results of ordination exams as a tool for our continued guidance of the candidates under our care. Theoretically, the comments supplied by exam readers help us in conversations with and advice given to our candidates. They should assist us in our assessment. However, we have seen a shift in the results of exams to require us instead to offer pastoral care and find alternative routes of assessment. How might our committee get on the same page with the work the PCC is seeking to do? Can we open clearer channels of communication so that our visions may become more aligned?

What is the role of grace in the exam process?

We question the use of blind readers in a sterile exam setting. The readers, without any deeper knowledge of a candidate's cultural, familial, or personal history, are unable to see the whole picture of the candidate themselves, which makes it difficult to offer a grace-filled, or even entirely accurate, evaluation.



What is the role of community in the exam process? In ministry?

We know that people who enter vocational ministry will be asked to deal with the trauma carried by others, challenging theological issues, difficult passages of scripture, and more. And yet, we also know that no one does ministry in a vacuum. As a connectional church, the PC(USA) offers ministers of the Word and Sacrament support in the form of clergy cohorts and online forums, as well as access to mental healthcare. Even seminary coursework and Clinical Pastoral Education are done, as they should be, in community. So, is it fair or even humane to ask candidates for ordination to sit with texts of terror in isolation?

Is this exam process still the most effective way to complete that evaluation?

To explore answers to these questions and to move forward in a way that best supports the important work of preparation for ministry, the CPM of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta proposes:

Apologies be made to the candidates who were directly harmed by the callous choice of Judges 19.

The PCC must acknowledge that harm was done, and they must seek to both hear the voices of those who were harmed and offer apologies that take the form of action. We know that the candidates who took the Winter Exegesis Exam are not the first to have been harmed by the ordination process. For generations, women, people of color, members of LGBTQIA+ community, have been harmed by the PC(USA) in an attempt to respond to God's call on their lives. The harm of those past injustices must also be addressed, and we believe that the ugly truth of our history should only spur us on as we seek to stop the cycle of harm.

A thorough and transparent evaluation of the entire exam writing process and the creation of a system of accountability for the PCC. We seek to ensure that CPMs across the denomination and the PCC are in fact working toward the same end: evaluating individual preparedness for ministry. Furthermore, we know that systems that go unevaluated and unchanged inevitably become problematic and cause harm. Shining a light on the work of the PCC and the ordination process in general allows us to do better and be better as we seek to equip the next generation of church leaders. It is time to embrace our belief that we are "reformed and always being reformed," and follow the Spirit where she leads us.

A member of the PCC attends an upcoming meeting of our CPM. We extend this invitation in the hope that, through dialogue, we may find a way forward together.

We know that ministry is not easy, and responding to a call to vocational ministry should not be done lightly. We believe that there should be an evaluation process, but harm should never be done in the name of that evaluation. We want individuals to get ordained through a process, not in spite of it. It is a deeply held hope of our committee that those who become ordained are as prepared, as strong, and as whole as they can be. It is our fervent hope that the Presbyteries' Cooperative Committee on Examinations of Candidates shares in that hope and joins us in working toward that end.

With grace, peace, and belief in a God who makes all things new,

The Committee on Preparation for Ministry of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta

EXAMINATIONS COMMISSION REPORT

May 2, 2023

For Information:

The commission reviewed the statements of faith and faith journeys of the following ministers of the Word and Sacrament, examined them, and received them into membership on behalf of the Presbytery. They will be introduced during the stated meeting.

- **Paul Abell** has been received as an honorably retired member by transfer from Kiskiminetas Presbytery, effective March 16, 2023.
- **James Simpson** has been received by transfer from Cherokee Presbytery to serve as interim pastor at Johns Creek Presbyterian Church, effective May 1, 2023.
- **Charles Wiley** has been received by transfer from New Hope Presbytery to serve in a validated ministry as Director of Major Gifts at Columbia Theological Seminary, effective March 16, 2023.

Their faith journeys and statements of faith follow this report.

For Action:

1. **Irene Choi**, a candidate of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, has been called to a validated ministry as chaplain at Mesun Hospice, effective upon her ordination. The Examinations Commission has examined her in the areas of polity, theology, and worship and sacraments and heard a brief sermon from her. Her faith journey and statement of faith follows this report. The commission recommends that she be approved for ordination.
2. **Rev. Euisun Han**, a member of the Presbyterian Church in Korea, has been called as contract call associate pastor at Korean Community Presbyterian Church, effective June 1, 2023. The Examinations Committee of ECKAM has examined him in the areas of polity, theology, and worship and sacraments. His faith journey and statement of faith follow this report. As a member of a Reformed denomination who has been ordained for five or more years, he is eligible for an exemption from the ordination exams under G-2.0505a(2), although he has not yet taken courses in PCUSA polity and Reformed theology. The commission recommends that he be approved for transfer from another denomination, with exemption from the ordination exams under G-2.0505a(2) and requirement that he complete courses in PCUSA polity and Reformed theology within two years, in accordance with G-2.0505a(1). *(This motion requires a two-thirds vote of Presbytery.)*

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SECA allowance	2,295
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Cell phone	600
Mileage/auto expenses	4,000
Professional expenses	4,000

Book allowance	4,000
Four weeks vacation	
Two weeks continuing education	

3. **Rev. Shinyoung Ko**, a member of the Presbyterian Church of Korea, has been called as contract call associate pastor at Korean Community Presbyterian Church, effective June 1, 2023. The Examinations Committee of ECKAM has examined him in the areas of polity, theology, and worship and sacraments. His faith journey and statement of faith follow this report. As a member of a Reformed denomination who has been ordained for five or more years, he is eligible for an exemption from the ordination exams under G-2.0505a(2). The commission recommends that he be approved for transfer from another denomination, with exemption from the ordination exams under G-2.0505a(2). *(This motion requires a two-thirds vote of Presbytery.)*

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SPIRITUAL JOURNEY

Paul W. Abell, Jr.

At the early age of four, I can remember being at First Presbyterian Church of Sherman Oaks, California with my parents and sister. It was a good and happy time. I recall certain people in the choir and others who took time to worship their Lord. I found a complete comfort in those walls during the time there.

My middle childhood was the same even though we moved to a different location to be nearer my father's employment. The area in the west end of the Valley was just beginning to grow and we attended a Baptist Church about a mile from our new home for the next few years. Although I do not recall much from that period, I do remember giving my life to Christ and being baptized by that minister.

Dad was Presbyterian through and through though. As soon as a NCD began in the west end of the Valley Dad was there. Rather than splitting the family between two denominations, we joined St. James Presbyterian Church. My involvement with the Junior and Senior High youth groups and my developing relationships with two significant youth ministers began to plant seeds within me to a calling to ordained ministry.

At eighteen I declared my intent to enter the ministry. However, I was told by a Synod counselor that I should not go into the ministry but pursue some other full-time endeavor. Many mixed messages were churning in my mind and even though God was walking with me, I began running away from God's call.

For the next eight years I believed I was running from God and began pursuing another career following my military enlistment. Still confused I visited my former youth minister who encouraged me to enroll in college. In college I thought I had found my niche. I was the star of drama and comedy and began entertaining thoughts of an acting career. However, God was nearer than I believed. During this period of doubting I remained somewhat tied to the church and near the completion of college, I made the decision to listen to the Holy Spirit working within me to attend seminary.

It was through seminary and years to follow that God's grace came to be a living reality for my life. The love of the woman I married and four significant friends taught me the unconditional love of our Living God. As I reflect back to the early years of my growth, I remember God telling me that I AM would always love and care for me.

The first of my ministries was a pastorate, and two associate pastorates spanning sixteen years. These ministries were, what I have come to believe, training and preparation for my calling as an intentional interim pastor. The care and love for God's people concerned me most. Working with all ages, rather than a specific age group, helped equip me for a more complete interim ministry. During this transition time I completed the first and second phases of interim pastor training.

The past fourteen years have been in Christ's service in interim ministries with this one being my ninth call. Most of the calls have been to wounded churches. Residing within were hurting people, angry people, caring people, and ailing people who want nothing more to be loved by Christ's servant and reassured that they are of worth and value to the world, to Christ, and to the church. The churches sometimes had problems administratively and needed to work through a process of healing and redirecting their ministry in positive ways for themselves and the larger church they are called by God and Christ to serve.

As I have helped these people grow, I have grown myself in peace, skills of loving, meditation, skills of leadership, remembering that God works for our good and not for our destruction. Learning the lessons of rejoicing in the Lord in all circumstances is a wondrous journey I am still walking and plan to continue for the rest of my ministry.

Statement of Faith
Paul W. Abell, Jr.

God is creative. I believe God was before all things, and God made a habitat for humankind to discover, learn and grow in relationship to all things and people. God's creation is an ongoing process that needs to have caring people cultivate its continued growth. God loves us so much that we are entrusted with the responsibility of caring for this precious gift of nature and human life.

As God's Son Jesus is our example for living. God revealed God's self in the person of Jesus to be a light and a pathway after which to model our lives. Jesus took up His cross and was crucified to show us that we need not live in separation from God. It is through this saving act of grace and love that Jesus gladly descended into hell with the weight of the world's sins on His shoulders and rose again for our freedom to live renewed lives.

The Holy Spirit is our constant guide. Ever so loving, even after death, Jesus gave His disciples the Holy Spirit that we may continue His work. The Holy Spirit gives breath to us and guides us on our journey through life. During rough times, the Holy Spirit gives insights to use the life-giving resources provided by God.

Jesus, as the Christ, is my Lord and Savior. It is through His life, faith, and way of living that God shows me how to live and develop my life to love and live as Christ did. It is through Him that I have authentic life. Jesus has given me responsibility for being at one with myself, others, nature and God. By His death, He did not take this responsibility away from me, but empowered me to live His truth.

The sacraments are an expression of this commitment. It is through the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion that the people of God recall who they are, to whom they belong, and what Jesus Christ did for the world. Baptism signifies a cleansing from our past life and our calling into a new way of living in Christ. Infant baptism is the commitment of parents and a congregation to raise children to believe in the presence of God uniting them with Christ. Holy Communion reminds of the great sacrifice on the cross of our risen Lord. We remember His broken body, His blood spilled from the cross as we experience the spiritual presence of Christ.

God is in me and through me in my relationships with others. I believe that if I am to be in relationship with God, I must learn to be in tune with my brothers and sisters who are also on their journey through life. When a relationship is broken, my relationship with God is broken. It is I who break the relationship. Yet God is always ready with open arms to bring me back to wholeness once again. I must repent my sin and ask Christ for forgiveness. Grace is always there.

The church is the vehicle God uses to show the world love. Through the church we help to bring about God's kingdom of love and peace on earth. "Breathe on me breath of God. Fill me with life anew. That I may love what Thou dost love and do what Thou wouldst do." Imperfect as the church is, God gives disciples that breath of life to carry out God's mission. As the church prays, studies, praises God, gives thanks, and creatively serves others in Christ's name, its members receive God's blessings of life. Christ calls us to share these blessings with the world. As we love others, bringing hope, healing and peace to people's lives, we serve a creative Lord.

Faith Journey: James (Jim) Douglas Simpson

My faith journey with, for, and to God has been a lifelong journey of exploration which continues still, and I believe will continue always. I was raised within the nurture of my local Church of Scotland congregation, and it was there, within the “mother Kirk”, that I first publicly professed my faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Serving in the annual Summer Mission program of the Church of Scotland, where teams of mission volunteers lived in community and served in the local area, was an experience that deepened and grounded my faith. While in High School I was prompted by my Minister to consider the Ministry of Word and Sacrament as a vocation. Finishing High School, I took what is now called a “gap year”, to explore if indeed this was a calling God had for me. Living in several Parishes in different parts of the country and working alongside several very different and very skilled Ministers my sense of call to ordained ministry was greatly strengthened.

During my undergraduate studies I entered the ordination process of the Church of Scotland. After graduating with a B.Sc. from the University of Dundee in 1983, Janice and I were married and moved to Aberdeen where I began and completed my studies for my Bachelor of Divinity at the University of Aberdeen and Christ College. I graduated in 1986 with an Honors Degree in Systematic Theology and Church History, having also completed three year-round pastoral internships in two congregations and one hospital chaplaincy.

Following a full time probationary placement working with another experience Parish Minister, I was called to be the Parish Minister of the linked (yoked) charge of Newtonhill and Portlethen. In May 1987 I was ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament by the Presbytery of Kincardine and Deeside. The nine years I spent in this call saw two new church buildings built, enabling these congregations to minister to a quickly increasing population, the result of the expansion of the North Sea oil industry.

In the summer of 1993 Dr. Dwight Bayley, then the Pastor of the Northminster Presbyterian Church in Roswell GA, and I participated in a pulpit exchange. What I experienced of the faith commitment and generosity of the Northminster church led me to take the steps necessary to be considered for a call to the Presbyterian Church(USA). In 1994 I interviewed with one congregation and that Presbytery’s COM, and while the PNC wanted to extend a call, I did not sense that there was a call for me. Northminster had explored having an Associate Pastor and I interviewed with them, but financial constraints ended that search. In the summer of 1995 Dr. Bayley accepted another call and after due process and extensive immigration vetting, I accepted the call to Pastor the Northminster Church, where I served from 1996 until 2007. In 2000 I graduated with my D.Min. from Columbia Theological Seminary. In 2005 I became a citizen of the United States.

Sensing a need to experience a different sort of ministry I was appointed as the Director of Church Relations at Presbyterian College, a role that was, in time, combined with the Chaplain’s position. Working with students in the Celtic Cross program and the renewal of the covenant agreement between the College and the presbyteries within the Synod of the South Atlantic were highlights from my time in Clinton, SC. My passion for parish ministry did not leave me and I was called to serve as Pastor of the Oakland Avenue Church in Rock Hill SC, before returning to Georgia as first Interim and then installed Pastor of Faith Presbyterian Church in Blue Ridge. During my time at Faith (2013 – 2021) the membership of the congregation grew threefold and they were able to design, build and now occupy their very first church building, designed as a base of operations for the worship of God and service in the community.

Amidst all the demands and excitement over the new building and the unique challenges resulting from the covid19 pandemic, I began to sense that this season of my ministry had reached its hopeful conclusion. The timing of this was providential as it allowed me consider and accept the Interim Pastor position at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Marietta GA where I have been serving since the fall of 2021. In parallel to this call Janice and I had decided that we would return “home” to the Roswell/Alpharetta area, where we first resided in the USA, and where we would be closer to friends and family. In my role as Interim Pastor at Covenant I nurtured the congregation and led and facilitated a Mission Study. The PNC that was elected in October 2022 is now well ahead in its process of interviewing candidates.

Wondering what might be next for me, I was made aware of the need for a bridge/continuing Interim Pastor at Johns Creek Presbyterian Church. Reviewing their information, interviewing with their Interim Pastor Nominating Committee, and talking with the outgoing Interim Pastor, I was encouraged to see all the good interim work already done. The congregation is currently undertaking a Congregational Assessment process and it was clear from the IPNC that the congregation hopes for, and is ready to work towards, a renewed and renewing future. Sensing a great match between this church and its situation, and my gifts and experience, I am so looking forward to a fruitful time as I partner with them as they journey forward in faith and hope. Returning to Greater Atlanta Presbytery I am ready to serve the wider church.

Statement of Faith: James (Jim) Douglas Simpson

My hope, and trust, is in the God we know through our encounter with Jesus Christ, our experience of the Holy Spirit, our engagement with the Holy Scriptures, our participation in the Church, our receiving and sharing of the Sacraments of Baptism and Communion and our expressing God's love, mercy and justice in our lives in the world. Daily, I seek to acknowledge and worship the Almighty God, whose I am and whom I seek to serve, through Bible reading, prayer and by always seeking to be open to the gifts I receive from the people I encounter.

The God who holds my life is the God of Love. In all the works of God - creation, providence and salvation – there is offered to all people freely and fully - love and joy and hope and peace. Such grace requires and demands of us a worthy response in how we seek to live our lives.

Jesus as “Emanuel”, God-with-us, and God for us, embraced and endured the entirety of what it is to live an individual human life, and the totality of the human experience, including all our pain and fear, in His lived Life, and in the humiliation of the cross. In the resurrection, the false claims of sin and death are ended, and we are freed to live changed and renewed lives. Our hope rests in the suffering and glorification of Jesus. Knowing that Jesus has endured all things enables us to live into the affirmation that “in life and death we belong to God.”

Jesus' life was a life devoted to God and to neighbors of all kinds and types. As patient Teacher, tender Healer, provocative Preacher, caring Counselor, truth Teller to those in power, generous friend of the Outcasts, Jesus is both our model and our ever-present inspiration that we might live in like manner, personally and in community.

In the Holy Spirit, whom we experience as dove, wind, fire and helper, Jesus is present with us and for us always. In this Holy Spirit, the Church is called into being and sustained and gifted in its life, even though fractured by division. In the Church, through baptism, we are claimed by God, and ordained to a life of faithful and fruitful service. At the Table, in bread and wine, God's gifts, and in our receiving and sharing of these gifts, we receive strength to keep on keeping on in our journey of faith. This journey is with and to God and God's promised Kingdom, which is present and yet to be, and to which the Church is called to bear authentic witness. I love the church, “warts and all”! I especially love the Presbyterian Church, “warts and all”! I seek to offer my mind, my imagination, my passion in serving the church.

Over the years I have come to greatly value that understanding of the Holy Spirit handed down through the Celtic Church which uses the image of the “wild goose” as a symbol for the Holy Spirit. Truth is God's Spirit urges me and all of us onward, loudly “honking” God's Good News to us and through us and pressing us to greater faithfulness and compassion for the hurting that we might work “in the world for peace, justice, freedom and human fulfillment.”

We cannot know God fully, as God knows us, but we are called and commissioned to be growing and growing together by living lives of learning and serving, giving and sharing. I have responded to a call from God to engage in a ministry of proclamation, leadership development, communication, outreach, evangelism and pastoral care. I believe that God will help me use my gifts to nurture, challenge, shape and inspire the congregation to which I will be called.

My Statement of Faith is personal and of course related to my understanding of the ministry to which God has called me and which has been my vocation for almost thirty six years. Two Ordination/Installation vows, one I made at my ordination in 1987 in the Church of Scotland, and one from our current practice, are vows which encapsulate who I seek to be and to which I continue to offer my affirmative response:

“Are not zeal for the glory of God, love to the Lord Jesus Christ, and a desire for the salvation of all people, so far as you know your own heart, your great motives and chief inducements to enter into the office of the Holy Ministry?”

and

“Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?”

“The peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:7

Faith Journey: Charles Wiley

Pilgrim Holiness Roots

My faith journey begins this way: “I was born in Suriname where my Pilgrim Holiness parents were missionaries.” So much stands behind this simple sentence. I was raised in a family where one’s discipleship necessarily involved every moment of every day—where sacrifice was integral to one’s call. Our church emphasized holiness and separation from the world.

The Problem of Sin

What led me to leave the Holiness tradition for the Reformed tradition? I often reply, “the doctrine of God.” My father died when I was one, and my mother remarried to a Holiness revival preacher when I was nine. I began to see through the doctrine of instant sanctification when I was told that my revival preacher stepfather was perfect: “I don’t think so.” Two areas intruded on this narrow notion of sin: race and economic justice.

A Reformed Vision

It took a while, but this expanding vision of God’s call and the deepening sense of my own sinfulness. I began to approach the table knowing that it was God who invited me, that it was God who fed me on Christ himself, and it was God who sent me into the world by the power of the Holy Spirit.

How Do Protestants Decide What Church They Go To?

Few conversations have shaped me as profoundly as one I had with Ron in the Spring of 1990. Ron was a Roman Catholic graduate student in the campus ministry I served. Ron, who always attended mass at the Roman Catholic church closest to where he lived, asked me, “How do Protestants decide what church they go to?” As I tried to answer him, I realized how feeble, how inadequate, my answers were.

As I entered Duke Divinity School the next fall, I became focused on questions of ecclesiology. My sense of the church was based almost solely on theological agreement. I became shaped by a biblical vision of the church that emphasized *koinonia*, community, communion. I began to see, as I would later read in the Heidelberg Catechism, that human beings were created to belong to God and to one another. The church, far from being merely instrumental, was the way God reconstructed us into that community for which we were created.

I ended up adopting what I saw as Calvin’s insight: that it is the human, broken, and sinful community we call church that God has called to proclaim the gospel, to work for justice, to proclaim freedom to the oppressed, and to form disciples. That the church is both sinful and redeemed reflects the gospel rather than undermining it. Being engaged with a community gathered around word and sacrament has been the center of my faith journey ever since.

The drama of worship displays the gospel. It is God who calls us to worship and is worthy of our worship. In the presence of this God we are able to confess because we are embraced by the love of Jesus Christ. As forgiven people, we are freed by the Spirit to share Christ’s peace with one another and the world. By the power of the Spirit we can hear God’s word, be shaped by it. We give thanks for the overwhelming grace of God in the sacraments, are fed by Christ himself, and are sent into the world in mission.

My faith is marked by the rhythm of grace and gratitude. I respond to the grace freely offered to me in Jesus Christ. My life is an expression of gratitude to God, a profound thankfulness in response of faith to a God of grace.

Statement of Faith: Charles Wiley

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

This blessing expresses the gospel. Grace is not some abstraction, but is the gift of God in Jesus Christ, come to us in Jesus' life, death, resurrection, and ascension through the power of the Holy Spirit.

We receive this grace through creation where God made us in the divine image as part of creation, yet with responsibility for it. God created us for community with God and one another.

We receive God's grace in the call to us time after time, even when we abandoned the fellowship of God, usurping the place of God in our lives, committing idolatry, breaking relationship with God and neighbor.

We see God's grace in action in the Old Testament narratives. We see God demonstrating longsuffering toward God's chosen: Israel. We see the righteousness and justice of God. The covenant was initiated by God, and Israel was given it freely, yet with it came significant responsibilities: worshiping God and living out the life of compassion, justice and truth.

We see grace in the flesh with Jesus, the ultimate act of God's self-revelation. Jesus came preaching and demonstrating the good news of the Kingdom of God. Jesus sought out those in need and preached compassion to the hurting and judgment to the proud. The sacrificial life of Jesus culminated with his death on the cross. God raised Jesus from the dead demonstrating power over death and sin. The Lord is risen.

Grace is demonstrated in the claiming waters of baptism:

Little one, for you Jesus Christ came into the world:
for you he lived and showed God's love;
for you he suffered the darkness of Calvary
and cried at the last, "It is accomplished";
for you he triumphed over death and rose in newness of life;
for you he ascended to reign at God's right hand.
All this he did for you, little one,
though you do not know it yet.
And so the word of Scripture is fulfilled:
"We love because God loved us first."

We receive grace in God's call to women and men to become disciples, to heed and obey the words of Jesus: repent from our sins, believe the good news that Jesus is the Christ, and follow him, becoming part of the Christian community. We do so in profound gratitude for the grace given us in Christ.

Both Jesus' ministry on this earth and God's continuing redeeming acts in the world are expressions of grace, carried out through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit confronts and comforts humans with the claim of Christ. The Holy Spirit calls people to repentance and obedience to the will of God, and empowers us to live lives pleasing to God.

We live out grace in the church, the eschatological community of God, living out the truth of the already-but-not-yet Kingdom breaking into this world. The Spirit calls this community into being. The Church is marred by sin, yet marked by the unity of the Spirit, a unity that crosses all human barriers. The Church points toward Jesus, proclaiming the Gospel and doing justice. The Church does this in humility and faithfulness to its Lord.

At the table, the relation of God and humanity is exhibited. God calls us to the table and feeds us on Christ himself, and we are sent forth in gratitude for God's gracious movement toward us. The relationship broken by sin is restored at God's initiative—we offer our thanks with our whole lives.

The Holy Spirit inspired and inspires the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, the word of God to the Church, and the only rule for faith and practice. They witness to the overwhelming grace of God in Christ and call us to grateful response.

1. One Page Faith Journey
Jiyoung Irene Choi

When I was five, my dad, mom, little sister, and I moved from a big city called Daegu in South Korea to a small country strawberry farm. And my family started to serve a small presbyterian church in town. My childhood was full of memories of being outdoors in nature-the beauty and magnificence of the four seasons of God's creation. The little church in my hometown was my spiritual home. I ate, played, slept, and worshiped with my childhood friends there.

At age 15, I attended a Christian boarding school. I learned what living out the Word of God means through the school culture and teachers' dedication to raising students as children of God. Every student belongs to a small group under the care of an assigned teacher and participates in an activity as a community. And everyone belonged to the sisterhood/ brotherhood system, which functions as a small family in the school community. I developed the sense of seeing the world as one big family in high school. The school is famous for its "10 Commandments for getting a job", which is its core teaching value, framed by the servant leadership of Jesus's teaching of loving God and serving the world. I was nurtured and flourished by my high school community.

At age 20, I started college in the big city of Seoul. It was a time for discipline and service. I was in discipleship, leadership, and mission training programs at a Korean presbyterian church. I consolidated my identity in Christ Jesus and served the church as a bible study group leader and Sunday school teacher. And I built my career as a teacher as well. I was a good Christian in a comfortable zone.

At age 30, I married my husband, Eric, and started a family. The smallest unit of the church began in my life. My husband and I moved from Korea to the U.S. in our third year of marriage. My oldest son, Kyle, was born the following year. Living in a foreign country and being a mom was another new beginning. I experienced ground-shaking emotional changes, relational complications, and financial hardships. My faith was shaking. I was in a dark valley, and God's rod and staff felt absent. Soon, I learned to give, receive, and accept love from God and others. I repented my pride in myself. I learned to rely entirely on God to live one day at a time. I became humble. God broadened my perspectives to see me as a sojourner. I gave up all my worldly hopes and dreams. And I realized that my life belongs in God's hands.

I started seminary at age 40. The seminary offered exposure to the ideas and practices of a more diverse community. I learned from professors and students from my denomination and broader church communities it was "iron sharpening iron." I learned to interpret the Scripture and reflect theologically in this organized program. When I finished the program, I was equipped to be a pastoral leader and discerned to serve God's bigger world with what God has gifted me.

During and after the seminary, I served the church as an internship pastor, led worship, taught the bible to children and youth group students, and worked as a Chaplain at a hospital.

After all the discerning process, I seek to be an ordained minister as a hospice Chaplain and an army reserved Chaplain soon. My identity as a Korean American, especially a woman, intimidated me in a foreign country throughout this process. But with assurance and gift from God and my community's approval and encouragement, I am now humbly but excitedly waiting for ordination to serve God and people for the next ten years and many more.

2. A one-page Statement of Faith

Irene Jiyoung Choi

I believe in the one triune God of all. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are united mutually and dynamically. When God the Father created the world (Gen.1), Jesus was there as the Word (John 1:2), while the Holy Spirit of God was hovering and moving over the waters to make God's imagination come to life (Gen.1:2). God preserves, sustains, and interacts with caring love. Jesus is the Son of God, became flesh, and lived among us to save us (John 1:14). His death and resurrection reveal God's triumph over sin and death. (Colossians 2:15). By Christ, we are given new and eternal life and invited to live in a restored relationship with God (Romans 5:21). Because of Jesus, I can love others (1 John 4:11) and live the life God intends me to. Holy Spirit dwells in me (1 Corinthians 3:16), helps me hear God's Word in Scripture, teaches, and reminds me of everything Jesus had said to me (John 14:26). Holy Spirit makes me bear Spiritual fruits (Galatians 5:22-23) and gives me the power to witness Jesus to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8)

I believe the Bible is God's self-revelation, written by the writers in their social and historical context inspired by God. By the Bible, I know who God is, what God has done for me through Jesus Christ, and what God continues to speak to me.

I believe that God creates and calls the Church the living body of Christ. The Church is the gathering of God's people to discern and serve God's will with the help of the Holy Spirit. Each member belongs to the body (1 Corinthians 12:12), with Jesus as the head of the Church (Colossians 1:8). The Church has its mission to serve others with compassion, stand up for what is right, and preach the good news in obedience to God.

I believe that the sacraments are the Word of God enacted and sealed in the life of the Church. Baptism is a sign of God's covenant. Baptism is the bond of unity in Jesus Christ and marks the beginning of new life in Christ. The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of my communion with the crucified and risen Lord. The Lord's Supper offers thanksgiving to God the Father; remembrance of Jesus Christ; invocation of the Holy Spirit; communion in the body of Christ; and a meal of the realms of God. Lord's supper is a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love for all.

Faith Journey (Rev. Euisun Han)

My spiritual journey has led me mostly down the path of the Reformed Korean church. My mother who was a pastor for over thirty years has had a big impact in forming my personality and Christian faith. I had seen the living God who works in my family when I was young and my mother told me to have a good Christian attitude toward my daily life and at church. However, growing up, God was just one of the good men for me before I experienced Jesus Christ as my savior in person who was sacrificed on the cross for my sin and resurrected.

At university, as I studied mathematics to make big money after graduation, I worked as a personal mathematics tutor for middle and high school students. I was happy to earn the money because I could pay my own tuition and give my younger brother an allowance. However, the joy did not last long time. At some point, I do not remember exact time, I began to question my perspective of life. I asked myself; Can money bring me eternal happiness? Is it okay to live for money for the rest of my life? I think it was the most important time in my life because the Holy Spirit touched my spirit and my mind wholly. At the time, I personally experienced Jesus Christ as my savior when I was reading the Bible. Eventually, my will was subjected to the work of the Spirit and I was praying for what God wanted me to do. Prayer helped me change the goal of my life and I decided to devote my whole life to God.

Upon graduation, I went to Turkmenistan as a missionary with my wife through Frontiers which is a world mission organization for Muslim people. Turkmenistan is an Islamic country, so it is very difficult to do missionary work. For three years, we had no choice but to share the gospel to only one family. However, after coming back to Korea because our visas were rejected, I heard that the family was baptized by another missionary who lives there. Even though my mind was so tired because I could not understand God's will that led us back to our peaceful home from the mission field. 1 Cor. 3:7 comforted me, "So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow." Since our Turkmenistan visas were not renewed, I had to return to Korea. At that time, I could not understand the will of God who led us back to our home country from the mission field. We prayed with anguish for a long time, until the Holy Spirit enlightened me that God never makes mistakes in what he does. It changed my mind from agony to peace, so I decided to prepare for God's call on my life again to be used for his kingdom. That is why I went to seminary in Korea. The M.Div. program in seminary helped me to know about the living God who had undertaken communion with his people in the context of the community of faith. Even though I graduated by God's grace after three years, I was faced with my inadequacies for the church ministry. This is what led me to study at Denver Seminary. Studying the Th.M degree at Denver Seminary helped broaden my horizons and allowed me to systematize diverse theological ideas. After years of study, God led us to Atlanta in Georgia.

Although God has not sent me to a mission field again, I realize that the significant thing is living with a missional heart for the kingdom of God and His glory, not where I live. I have always worked within the church ministry with this mind since becoming a pastor.

Faith Statement (Rev. Euisun Han)

I believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the inspired Word of God, inerrant in the original writings, complete as the revelation of God's will for salvation. I also believe in one God, creator and sustainer of all things, eternally existing in three persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit; that these are equal in every divine perfection and that they execute distinct but harmonious offices in the work of creation, providence, and redemption.

I believe in God the Father, an infinite, personal Spirit, perfect in holiness, wisdom, power, and love. He concerns Himself mercifully in the affairs of men and women, hears and answers prayer, and He saves from sin and death all who come to Him through Jesus Christ. And I believe that Jesus Christ is God's eternal Son, and has precisely the same nature, attributes and perfections as God the Father and God the Holy Spirit. He is not only true God, but true man conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. I believe in His sinless life, His substitutionary atonement, His bodily resurrection from the dead, His ascension into heaven, His priestly intercession on behalf of His people, and His personal, visible, return from heaven. I also believe in the Holy Spirit, His personality, and His work in regeneration, sanctification, and preservation. His ministry is to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ and implement Christ's work of redeeming the lost and empowering the believer for godly living and service.

I believe all persons who created by God as the image of God are sinners by nature and choice and are, therefore, spiritually dead. I further believe that the Holy Spirit regenerates those who repent of sin and trust Jesus Christ as Savior. I also believe in salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ. This salvation is based upon the sovereign grace of God, and was purchased by Christ on the cross, and is received through faith apart from any human merit, works, or ritual. I believe salvation results in righteous living, good works, and proper social concern.

I believe that the Church is the spiritual body of which Christ is the head and is composed of all persons who through saving faith in Jesus Christ have been regenerated by the Holy Spirit. This body expresses itself in local assemblies whose members have been baptized and have associated themselves for worship, instruction, evangelism, and service. The ordinances of the local church are baptism and the Lord's Supper. I also believe in the interdependence of local churches and the mutual submission of Christians to each other in love.

I believe in the bodily resurrection of the saved and lost, the eternal existence of all people in either heaven or hell, in divine judgments, rewards, and punishments.

Faith Journey

Rev. Shinyoung Ko

I grew up in the church as a pastor's child and attended Christian Schools and universities except for elementary school. Most people I met were somehow related to Christianity.

When I graduated from university, I was thinking about my career path. Ever since I was little, I had an idea that I would one day become a pastor. However, since I grew up in the church and Christianity, I thought I wanted to be a pastor because it was a familiar and easy way for me. I was hesitant about going down this path because I could not find any signals or signs that showed God called me to the church. I prayed a lot to get the answer and wandered for about three years.

During that period, my passion for the ministry grew, and I got repeated messages through the people of God and the situation pointing to ministry. I decided to become a pastor. I went to the Presbyterian University and Theological Seminary in South Korea since I belong to The Presbyterian Church of Korea.

I was able to theologize my faith while studying theology for three years and doing ministries for children and young adults for five years. Furthermore, I found that there is a broader theological world I had not experienced and abundant heritages of Christianity in history. I was eager to know and experience this world, which was one of the significant reasons I studied more at the Columbia Theological Seminary in Georgia.

I majored in Christian Education and became more aware of the diversity in Christianity. I believe that a key role of a pastor is to encourage people to reveal the potential God has already given them. The church needs to provide the people with a space and a situation they can play that role. While leading a ministry in the Korean Immigrant Church in Atlanta, I met many people and became more convinced that the role of a pastor is an educator.

I got married about ten years ago. My wife is lovely and is the best advisor I ever met in my ministry. My nine-year-old daughter is the most precious gift God gave me. For the last ten years, I learned that many families have serious difficulties keeping their families emotionally and spiritually together. Since last year, I have been doing family ministry for the members of my congregation, and recently I have been focusing on how the church can help these families to be in faith and love.

It was difficult to continue ministries for the last thirteen years. There were medical issues in my family, relation issues in the congregations, financial issues, ETC. However, God always gave me the grace to overcome difficulties and helped me grow and mature theologically through the problems. I am 42 years old, and there is plenty of time to do ministries. I expect and believe that God will help me grow as Jesus Christ, my Lord, wants me to be as He has done in my life.

Faith Statement

Rev. Shinyoung Ko

I believe there is only one God, who exists in three persons: the Father, who created this world; the Son, for whom and through all creation was created; and the Holy Spirit, who counsels and empowers His people to follow Jesus. I firmly believe that only Jesus Christ, the Son of God, can save people from all sins through His sacrificial death on the cross at Calvary. Although God created us in His own image, we have all fallen short of His glory and, therefore, cannot save ourselves from the wrath of God. This is why Jesus died on the cross. Whoever believes in him can be saved and become a child of God. Jesus will return as He promised and judge all humankind. Those who believe in Jesus will be in the kingdom of God, and those who do not believe will be judged.

I believe there is a Universal Church of the elect and a visible church, also known as the local church. The local church functions as an institution that preaches the Gospel, heals the world and teaches the Word of God as the representative of Christ. Christ is the head of the church, and the community, as the body consists of various saints. Although the church may face suffering in this world, I believe that it will never collapse with the Lord's presence and will ultimately triumph. Christians do not belong to the world but to heaven; although they live in this world, they must be prepared to transform the world into the kingdom of God.

I believe that all saints are commissioned to proclaim the Gospel to the ends of the world, which is only possible through love and sacrifice, as exemplified by Christ on the cross. The Holy Spirit is the agent that equips and enables us to accomplish this. God has called the church to serve this particular cause. Therefore, all churches in this age should devote themselves to evangelism, as churches have done throughout history.

The Bible is the written Word of God, made by God's chosen people and inspired by the Holy Spirit. All His people can be blessed to follow what the Bible says, as it sets the standard of living and guides us to glorify God. The Holy Spirit also teaches us what God wants us to do through the Bible. Although God shows His will in various ways, I believe the Bible is the primary way to find His guidance.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

For Information:

1. The Committee on Ministry and the Congregational Consultants of the Presbytery are excited to introduce the **PGA Ambassadors** program. PGA Ambassadors are faithful presbyters—ministers and ruling elders from across the Presbytery—who are assigned to represent the Presbytery in some part of the spectrum of our work with congregations, ranging from presence and visitation to moderating and listening to discernment and conflict resolution. These devoted servants will build on twelve years of intentional engagement by our staff consultants to provide personal presence as the Presbytery resources our congregations and ministry leaders. The Presbyterian model of the connectional church is about shared ministry, and we believe that bringing new people into these relationships will deepen our understanding of what it means to be a presbytery together.

PGA Ambassadors bring experience working at the congregational and presbytery level to their support of our congregations. Many have served on one or more presbytery committees. They deepen their work through training and communication with our consultants and other Presbytery staff.

In the coming months, we hope you will not be surprised if your congregational consultant brings a PGA Ambassador along for a conversation. If this sounds like something you are interested in, please let us know! Contact one of the co-chairs of the Committee on Ministry, [Julie Ferguson](#) or [Sherri Bozardt](#), to indicate your interest.

Admit to Record:

1. Renew the contract call associate pastor relationship between **Landon Dillard** and **Shallowford Presbyterian Church**, effective January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, for 40 hours per week.

Cash salary	34,000
Housing allowance	26,000
Professional expenses	1,600
SECA allowance	4,590
Board of Pensions Dues (includes dental)	23,716
Continuing education	1,600
Cell phone	900
Professional expenses and travel	1,600
Four weeks vacation	
Two weeks continuing education	

2. Renew the contract call pastor relationship between **Joshua Woodsmith** and **Jonesboro First Presbyterian Church**, effective January 8, 2023, through January 7, 2024, at 32 hours per week.

Cash salary	19,600
Housing allowance	24,000
SECA allowance	3,366
Board of Pensions Pastor's Participation	10,333
Continuing education	500
Professional expenses	1,000
Four weeks vacation	
Two weeks continuing education	

- 3. Approve the contract call associate pastor relationship between **Glenn Goldsmith** and **North Avenue Presbyterian Church**, effective January 30, 2023, through July 30, 2023, for ten hours per week. (Compensation is for the six-month period.)

Housing allowance	12,000
SECA allowance	918
Professional expenses	683
Two weeks/20 hours vacation	
One week/10 hours continuing education	

- 4. Approve the contract call associate pastor relationship between **Steve Rembert**, a member of Charlotte Presbytery on their honorably retired roll, and **North Avenue Presbyterian Church**, effective January 30, 2023, through July 30, 2023, for fifteen hours per week; and grant him permission to labor within our bounds during this period, pending the corresponding approval of Charlotte Presbytery. (Compensation is for the six-month period.)

Housing allowance	18,000
SECA allowance	1,377
Professional expenses	683
Two weeks/30 hours vacation	
One week/15 hours continuing education	

- 5. Approve the contract call associate pastor relationship between **Irene Wong** and **North Avenue Presbyterian Church**, effective January 30, 2023, through July 30, 2023, for ten hours per week. (Compensation is for the six-month period.)

Housing allowance	12,000
SECA allowance	918
Professional expenses	683
Two weeks/20 hours vacation	
One week/10 hours continuing education	

- 6. Renew the contract call associate pastor relationship between **Tully Fletcher** and **Decatur Presbyterian Church**, effective February 1, 2023, through January 31, 2024, for at least 40 hours per week.

Cash salary and housing allowance (split TBD)	61,480
SECA allowance	4,703
Optional SECA allowance	4,703
Board of Pensions Pastor’s Participation	
Continuing education, travel, and professional expenses	4,200
Dental insurance through Board of Pensions	
Four weeks vacation	
Two weeks continuing education	

- 7. Renew the contract call associate pastor relationship between **Emily Wilmesherr** and **Decatur Presbyterian Church**, effective February 1, 2023, through January 31, 2024, for at least 40 hours per week.

Cash salary and housing allowance (split TBD)	59,360
SECA allowance	4,541
Optional SECA allowance	4,541
Board of Pensions Pastor’s Participation	
Continuing education, travel, and professional expenses	4,200
Dental insurance through Board of Pensions	

Four weeks vacation
Two weeks continuing education

8. Renew the contract call pastor relationship between **Alexandra Rodgers** and **Timberridge Presbyterian Church**, effective February 13, 2023, through February 12, 2024, at 20-25 hours per week.

Cash salary	31,000
Minister's Choice	3,100
Cell phone	15
Mileage/auto expenses	as incurred, paid at IRS rate
Four weeks vacation	
Two weeks continuing education	

9. Appoint Ruling Elder **Amy Chang**, a member of Atlanta Taiwanese Presbyterian Church, as moderator of **Atlanta Taiwanese Presbyterian Church**, effective February 16, 2023.
10. Conclude the contract call pastor relationship between **Ki Seok Park** and **Good News Garden Presbyterian Church**, and dismiss him to serve the International Calvary Church, Springfield, Virginia, effective March 1, 2023.
11. Appoint **David Rogers** as moderator of session at **Hemphill Memorial Presbyterian Church**, effective March 1, 2023.
12. Renew the contract call pastor relationship between **Jeanne Simpson** and **Philadelphia Presbyterian Church**, effective March 1, 2023, through February 29, 2024, at 25 hours per week.

Cash salary	7,442
Housing allowance	26,393
SECA allowance	2,818
Minister's Choice	3,684
Cell phone	720
Mileage/auto expenses	200
Four weeks vacation	
Two weeks continuing education	

13. Renew the interim pastor relationship between **Betsy Turner** and **Druid Hills Presbyterian Church**, effective March 1, 2023, through August 31, 2023, working full time. (Compensation is for the six-month period.)

Cash salary	23,080
Housing allowance	14,500
Board of Pensions Minister's Choice	3,758
SECA allowance	2,875
Continuing education	500
Other vouchered expenses	2,550
Two weeks vacation	
One week continuing education	

14. Dismiss **Elizabeth DeSouza** to Coastal Carolina Presbytery, effective March 2, 2023.
15. Renew the contract call pastor relationship between **Young C. Jeon** and **New Presbyterian Church of Georgia**, effective March 12, 2023, through March 11, 2024, working 36 hours per week.

Cash salary	24,000
Medical care	1,440
Board of Pension Minister's Choice	3,390

SECA tax allowance	1,549
Continuing education	600
Four weeks vacation	
Two weeks continuing education	

16. Dissolve the associate pastor relationship between **Olive Mahabir** and **Northminster Presbyterian Church**, effective March 12, 2023, and place her on the member-at-large roll, with previous salary and benefits continued for six months from the date of dissolution.
17. Conclude the interim pastor relationship between **Steven Barnes** and **Johns Creek Presbyterian Church**, effective April 2, 2023, and transfer him to Northeast Georgia Presbytery so that he can take up a call at Oconee Presbyterian Church.
18. Place **Brady Radford** on the member-at-large roll effective April 10, 2023, following the end of his term as contract call pastor at **Trinity Presbyterian Church, Decatur**.
19. Appoint **Tully Fletcher** as moderator of session at **Trinity Presbyterian Church, Decatur**, effective April 10, 2023.
20. Conclude the contract call associate pastor relationship between **Erin Noh** and **Alpharetta Presbyterian Church**, effective April 14, 2023.
21. Conclude the contract call pastor relationship between **Cecelya Taylor** and **Church of the Master**, effective April 30, 2023, and place her on the member-at-large roll.
22. Appoint **James Simpson** as interim pastor at **Johns Creek Presbyterian Church**, effective May 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, working full time. (Compensation is for the eight-month period.)

Cash salary	50,000
Housing allowance	25,000
Full Board of Pensions benefits	29,250
SECA allowance	5,737
Continuing education	950
Dental insurance	700
Vouchered expenses	3,150
Cell phone	up to \$100 per month
Three weeks vacation	
One and a half weeks continuing education	

23. Following receipt of an annual report for 2022, the Committee on Ministry completed the required annual review of the following ministers of the Word and Sacrament engaged in validated ministries outside the congregation (G-2.0503a):

Ann Clay Adams	Moongill Cho	Glenn Goldsmith
Steve Allen	Joannah Cook	Thelma Goodrum
Ben Allward-Theimer	Kathy Dawson	Sunghee Han Hammersley
Lindsay Armstrong	Mark Douglas	Maisha Handy
Jonathan Ball	William Drummond	Timothy Hartman
Dennis Hamilton Barnes	Kerry Duncan	Jenelle Holmes
Chip Blankinship III	Brittany Fiscus-van Rossum	Christopher Hooker
Sarah Bogue	Joy Fisher	C. Anderson James
Adam Borneman	Anna Carter Florence	Robbye Jarrell
Rachel Breyer	Sally Foster	Yeonkon Jeong
Letitia Campbell	Anne Fyffe	Carlton David Johnson
Michael Chaney	Zulema Garcia de Rojas	Julie Johnson
Jaewook Cho	Frances Kimani Githieya	Sharon Junn

Jane Kagia
Brigitte Kemink
Nayoung Kim
Simone Kim
Sam Sungwoo Kim
Neal Kuhlhorst
Jae Hyeong Lee
Catherine Lukens
Martha Moore-Keish
Jacob Myers
Jihyun Oh
Song Yin Paik
Timothy Park

Rebecca Parker
Sue Kim Park
Lauren Wright Pittman
Carol Pitts
Brian Powers
Diana Rosa Ramos Garcia
Holly Reimer
Seung-eun Rhee
George Rinker
Paul Roberts
Marthame Sanders
Ivette Sanjines Del Llano
Sarah Smith

Nancy Smith-Mather
Elisabeth Smith-Purcell
Katie Sundermeier
Holly Tickle
Blake Traynham
Mary Beth Walker
Beth Waltemath
Jerry Dean Weber
Irene Wong
Christine Yoder
Hee-Dong Yoo

Thirteen validated ministers did not submit a report for 2022.

24. Following receipt of an annual report for 2022, the Committee on Ministry completed the required annual review of the following ministers of the Word and Sacrament with the status of member-at-large (G-2.0503b):

Shannon Ball
Leigh Bonner
Leigh Campbell-Taylor
Grace Cheptu
Carolyn Christie
Jeff Davis
Elizabeth DeSouza
Wendy Dewberry
Julie Ferguson
Barry Gaeddert
John Hambrick
Saranell Hartman

L'Anni Hill
Alan Jenkins
Laura Jernigan
Jill Joyner
Ki Man Kim
Rafael Lemos Viana
Kate McGregor Mosely
Stephanie Medlin
John Morgan
Charles Newton
Sarah Perkins
Caitlin Phillips

Ashley Pieper
Kristina Robb-Dover
Steve Sankey
Richard Sommers
Meda Stamper
George Tatro
Jannan Thomas
Yolanda Thompson
Peter Ward
Young Sik Yoon

Fifteen members-at-large did not submit a report for 2022.



Potentials Coaching & Consulting



The Reverend Trace Haythorn, Ph.D., PCC

A passionate executive coach (ICF PCC), public speaker, workshop facilitator, and community networker, Trace loves working with clergy/nonprofit leaders; C suite leaders; and young people exploring their sense of meaning, purpose, and direction. He is an experienced nonprofit executive in academic, social service, and religious contexts as a teacher, leader, fundraiser, pastor, chaplain, and administrator. A seven on the Enneagram, his strengths include strategic planning, organizational realignment/redevelopment, community service, revenue diversification, budget prioritization, social enterprise development, support/nurture professional development of staff, diversity/inclusion strategies, and conflict mediation. Trace is a Certified Presence-Based Coach formed in the servant leadership model of Robert Greenleaf, committed to the ideals of Jim Collins' "Good to Great", Gene Sharp's theory of nonviolent resistance, and Otto Scharmer's "Theory U". He is deeply committed to his family and all they represent in the world.

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New Church Development Commission (NCDC)

For Information:

From tech to business to teaching, successful entrepreneurial leaders across industries have access to startup studios which equip leaders for success. This is why your NCDC is not just an incubator but a start-up studio, offering all that research as well as our own anecdotal evidence demonstrates is required to equip leaders for success in starting and developing new churches from scratch.

God is on the move, dreaming new dreams and calling new congregations to life. As such, we equip new worshiping communities and their leaders to thrive by providing the following startup resources:

LINCSS (*pronounced links*):

L – Leadership Coaching

I – Infrastructure Development Support, such as

- Obtaining **501c3 status**
 - NWCs with a current 501c3 letter on file: 18
- Establishing and Managing **Online Giving Links**
 - 9 NWCs to date
- Providing **Financial Oversight**
 - 14 NWCs
- Startup **Payroll Services**
 - 31 NWC leaders
- Homeland Security **Visas: 9**
- Financial **Policy Development: 3 NWCs**
- Opening **Bank Accounts:**
 - 3 NWCs
- Receiving, Processing, and Reporting **Tax Deductible Contributions:**
 - 14 NWCs
- **Insurance** quotes, acquisition, renewals, and/or verification: 8 NWCs
- NWC leaders in the **ordination process: 4**
- **Incorporation: 18 NWCs**
- Crafting **By-Laws: 1 NWC**
- **Chartering: ? NWCs** – see the note below about our Founder’s Cohort

N - Networking Events

C – Church Consulting

S - Startup Training

S - Strategic Grants

Additionally, your NCDC reports the following 2 highlights:

1. 1001 New Worshiping Communities, NCDC, and the Presbyterian Mission Agency co-sponsored a conference in Atlanta entitled: “What’s the Secret Sauce?”. Hosted by North

Avenue Presbyterian Church and named by 1001, the conference spotlighted your NCDC, highlighting its stellar catalyzing, developing, and chartering track record. Featuring “3 new worshipping community leaders and one game changing Presbytery leader,” Sam Kim, Rafael Viana, Gad Mpooyo, and Lindsay Armstrong keyed the event. Atlanta showed up beautifully, and we as a denomination leaned into the call of God in the 21st century as we welcome the new things God is doing through the gifts of immigrant congregations. Thanks to all who participated and supported the event!

2. This year we begin a Founder’s Cohort, designed for leaders of new worshipping communities working to charter within the upcoming 14-18 months. We are delighted by the energy and large number of new worshipping communities looking to charter. Stay tuned for announcement of upcoming chartering services!

New Worshipping Community Highlight: La Esperanza PC
A Word from Your Organizing Pastor: Zulema Garcia de Rojas



I am the Reverend Zulema García de Rojas, a theologian with a research paper on Venezuelan migration. I am also a family counselor and the Founding Pastor of La Esperanza Presbyterian Church. I have more than 15 years of experience in pastoral ministry within Venezuela and two and a half years working with this new community of faith in the northern part of our Presbytery.

La Esperanza Presbyterian Church is a faith community that provides Latino Hispanics from the diaspora with a place of worship, where we all feel part of a big family. It is a church that builds solidarity and supports our physical and spiritual needs. Making the Lord himself smile, pleasing God, and being grateful with how much or how little we have, we serve with a heart full of love. In this beautiful land that opened its doors to us, we feel the caresses of God as Father and Mother, giving us a pleasant balm in the face of so many adverse situations but with a pleasant perfume to offer to everyone around us.

La Esperanza Presbyterian Church wants to reach the hearts of people who are depressed, alone, or without hope, offering them to God who gives us hope.

We share, laugh, and have fun as adults, children, youth, men, and women in diversity, connecting with others who do the same, like the Hamilton Mill Presbyterian Church, all of the new worshipping communities of the NCDC, other American and Latino Presbyterian sister churches, the counties of Gwinnett and Jackson, the Latin American Association and more. We have introduced ourselves to the local police, mayor, schools, and other public officials, offering ourselves as a partner and resource. We are trying to make our voice heard in different places. That is why we have started a radio space called VOICE OF HOPE, but which is also seen through social networks, on the station mas 100.9 FM and on its Facebook page mas 100.9 FM. The mission is to provide the Hispanic Latino a different voice, full of hope offering relevant information, conversations, interviews, and much more.

Thank you for your prayers for us, crying out to the Father so that we are a Church that presents Christ Jesus in the best possible way. Thank you for also supporting us financially to expand our work of proclaiming the good news of salvation, empowerment, and entrepreneurship of women, providing workshops, talks, conversations, radio space, attention to children, youth and adolescents, and attention to migrants in their various needs. Thank God we have a leadership that is being formed; we give thanks to God for each one of them. God is and will be increasing in number and commitment our church and our finances in the name of Jesus.

Once again, I am thankful for each one of you. Blessings.

Rev. Zulema Garcia de Rojas

PC(USA) Report

This resource (and much more) is available online at pcusa.org/grp. It's a hub for these resources and an easier way to share the entire listing. This report is also available in a Spanish and Korean.

Matthew 25 Resource Packet for Eradicating Systemic Poverty: As part of the PC(USA)'s Matthew 25 efforts, this resource packet was developed by national staff as well as mid council leaders from across the country. It contains information about the five spiritual practices to engage in order to eradicate poverty, resources and action suggestions for each of these spiritual practice areas, core principles and assessment questions to use to shape and evaluate your efforts to eradicate poverty, faith assertions about what we believe that can be used in worship focused on eradicating poverty, information about strategic domestic and global partners that work to end poverty, and an FAQ to answer some basic questions about poverty. Find the packet [here](#). *(This resource is not currently available in Korean or Spanish.)*

New from Office of Presbyterian Youth and Triennium: Just in time to help with planning your summer youth events, the When Did We See You? Event Planning Guide is free and available now. Instructions, ideas and resources can help you plan a fun and faithful event from start to finish! This guide features seven sample itineraries for different gatherings focused on the theme of "When Did We See You?" using the PYT Connect Resources. Also included are adaptations for intergenerational and young adult participants, tips for everything from registration to hospitality, and much more. All four [PYT Connect resources](#) are available in Spanish as well.

May

[Mental Health Awareness Month](#) begins (May 1, 2023)

[Foster Care Month](#) begins (May 1, 2023)

[National Day of Prayer](#) (May 4, 2023)

[May Friendship Day](#) (May 5, 2023)

National Day of Awareness and Action for [Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls](#) and [Two-Spirit People](#) (May 5, 2023)

[Older Adult Week](#) begins (May 7, 2023)

[Legacy Giving Sunday](#) (May 7, 2023)

[Fair Trade Day](#) (May 13, 2023)

Mother's Day (May 14, 2023)

[Palestinian Nakba Remembrance Day](#) (May 15, 2023)

[Intercultural Church Sunday](#) (May 21, 2023)

[Presbyterian Heritage Sunday](#) (May 21, 2023)

Africa Day (May 25, 2023)

[1001 New Worshiping Communities](#) (May 27, 2023)

[Pentecost Offering](#) (May 28, 2023)

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COUNCIL

Admit to Record:

1. The Council authorized Rev. Aisha Brooks-Johnson to administer the Sacrament of Baptism for Serena Isabel Perkins, daughter of minister member Sarah Perkins and her husband Brandon Perkins and granddaughter of Revs. Beth Johnson and Pete Paulsen, on Sunday, February 19, 2023, at Fellowship of Love Church.

For Action:

1. The Council and the Nominating Committee recommend approval of the following amendment to the Presbytery's Manual on the Nominating Committee regarding nominations of commissioners to the General Assembly (text to be added is in *italics*, text to be removed is in ~~strikethrough~~). This change is necessary since the Presbytery will be electing fewer commissioners to the upcoming General Assembly in 2024.

Nominations of Commissioners to the General Assembly/Bills and Overtures

The Nominating Committee shall prepare one slate of nominees as commissioners to the General Assembly and submit the slate to the Presbytery during no later than the last Stated Meeting of the calendar year preceding the upcoming General Assembly.

~~Should an alternate minister or elder be needed between election and the meeting of the General Assembly, the Presbytery authorizes the Nominating Committee to fill the vacancy, maintaining parity.~~

The following general principles and procedures shall be applicable for nominations for General Assembly Commissioners/Bills and Overtures Committee.

- The Nominating Committee shall issue broad invitations to the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta to submit names for consideration as Commissioners to General Assembly.
- The Nominating Committee will nominate ordained elders and ministers as delineated by the General Assembly for election.
- ~~Nominations shall include:~~ The Moderator of Presbytery during the year of the General Assembly *and* the Moderator-Elect of the Presbytery during the year of the General Assembly *shall be nominated and serve as Commissioners by virtue of their office.*
- *Across the slate of nominees, the Nominating Committee will seek to represent the full diversity of the Presbytery. The slate should bring voices from the following categories:*
 - a. ~~e. Women~~ Woman Minister(s)
 - b. ~~d. Racial Ethnic~~ Minister(s)
 - c. ~~e. Racial Ethnic~~ Elder(s)
 - d. ~~f. Women~~ Woman Elders
 - e. ~~g. Minister or Elder~~ under age of 40
 - ~~h. Other Ministers~~
 - ~~i. Other Elders~~
 - ~~j. Advisory Participants as authorized~~
- *The Nominating Committee shall also nominate persons to serve in any advisory delegate roles as directed by the General Assembly.*

- The following criteria shall be considered by the Nominating Committee in determining nominees:
 - a. Nature of service to the church and governing bodies;
 - b. Special skills, knowledge or expertise in relevant areas; ~~and~~
 - c. Length of time since a particular church was represented at General Assembly; and
 - d. Length of time since a minister was a Commissioner to General Assembly.
- The consent of persons to be nominated shall be secured in advance of submission of their names. Nominees must be willing and able, barring unforeseen emergencies, to train, prepare, and serve for the entire duration of the General Assembly and the two years on the Bills and Overtures Committee.
- A brief biographical sketch for each nominee shall be presented to the Presbytery by the Nominating Committee in the Commissioner's Handbook.
- Nominations from the floor shall be in order for Commissioners to General Assembly/Bills and Overtures, with the following stipulations.
 - ~~a. The Moderator of Presbytery and the Moderator Elect of the Presbytery for the year in which the General Assembly is held shall serve as Commissioners to the General Assembly by virtue of office and are exempt from election that includes nominations from the floor.~~
 - a. ~~b.~~ Nominations may be made from the floor provided the consent of the person(s) nominated has/have been obtained *and a completed Volunteer Interest Form and/or General Assembly Commissioner Interest Form have been submitted to the Stated Clerk no later than three days prior to the meeting where other nominations are being presented.*
 - ~~e. Nominations from the floor shall be accompanied by the written biographical information that is included in the Volunteer Interest Form and the General Assembly Commissioner Interest Form. Persons making nominations must make this information available for distribution to the Presbytery at the time of nomination.~~
 - b. ~~d.~~ Nominees from the floor will be added to nominees from the Nominating Committee, excepting the Moderator of Presbytery and the Moderator-Elect of Presbytery. Election will be by ballot and counted by the Nominating Committee. ~~Election will be determined by majority vote.~~
 - c. *The Moderator of Presbytery and the Moderator-Elect of the Presbytery for the year in which the General Assembly is held shall serve as Commissioners to the General Assembly by virtue of office and are exempt from election that includes nominations from the floor.*
- Election shall be by majority vote.

Should an alternate minister or elder be needed between election and the meeting of the General Assembly, the Presbytery authorizes the Nominating Committee to fill the vacancy, maintaining parity.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

For Information:

Financial reports for the fiscal year ending January 31, 2023, and for the two months ending March 31, 2023, are included below.

Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, Inc.
Monthly Benevolence Report
January 2023

Note: The Report Option to include Open Transactions is selected.

Accounts	MTD Actual (This Year)	YTD Actual (This Year)	YTD Actual (Last Year)
Revenues			
Support and Revenue			
Budgeted Designated			
Budgeted General Assembly			
100-403000 - One Great Hour of Sharing	\$0.00	\$21,037.27	\$23,854.16
100-403020 - Christmas Joy Offering	\$5,124.40	\$14,069.41	\$25,325.40
100-403030 - Pentecost Offering	\$621.07	\$3,539.58	\$3,766.90
100-403040 - Theological Education Fund	\$1,250.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,900.00
100-403050 - Peacemaking Special Offering	\$1,093.70	\$6,034.21	\$4,463.90
100-403200 - Designated for Missionaries	\$0.00	\$28,016.04	\$26,200.04
Total Budgeted General Assembly	<u>\$8,089.17</u>	<u>\$80,196.51</u>	<u>\$91,510.40</u>
Budgeted Presbytery			
100-403510 - Designated Thornwell Home & School	\$300.00	\$6,744.15	\$7,554.36
100-403520 - Columbia Seminary	\$0.00	\$1,852.20	\$1,350.00
100-403550 - Johnson C. Smith Seminary	\$0.00	\$1,087.49	\$1,500.00
100-403580 - Presbyterian Homes	\$0.00	\$2,636.30	\$3,137.71
100-403590 - Villa International	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
Total Budgeted Presbytery	<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>\$12,570.14</u>	<u>\$13,542.07</u>
Total Budgeted Designated	<u>\$8,389.17</u>	<u>\$92,766.65</u>	<u>\$105,052.47</u>
Total Support and Revenue	<u>\$8,389.17</u>	<u>\$92,766.65</u>	<u>\$105,052.47</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$8,389.17</u>	<u>\$92,766.65</u>	<u>\$105,052.47</u>
Disbursements and Expenses			
Benevolent Disbursements			
100-500100 - G. A. Budgeted Benevolence	\$8,089.17	\$80,196.51	\$91,510.40
100-500500 - Designated for Presbyterian Homes	\$0.00	\$2,636.30	\$3,137.71
100-504010 - Designated for Villa International	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
100-504030 - Designated for Thornwell	\$300.00	\$6,744.15	\$7,554.36
100-506010 - Designated for Columbia Seminary	\$0.00	\$1,852.20	\$1,350.00
100-506020 - Designated for JC Smith Seminary	\$0.00	\$1,087.49	\$1,500.00
Total Benevolent Disbursements	<u>\$8,389.17</u>	<u>\$92,766.65</u>	<u>\$105,052.47</u>
Total Disbursements and Expenses	<u>\$8,389.17</u>	<u>\$92,766.65</u>	<u>\$105,052.47</u>
Net Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

THE PRESBYTERY OF GREATER ATLANTA
2022 BENEVOLENCE GIVING RECORDS
1/31/23

CHURCH	COLUMN 1 OPERATIONAL SUPPORT PLEDGE	COLUMN 2 OPERATIONAL SUPPORT RECEIVED	COLUMN 3 PER CAPITA ASSESSMENT \$26.98	COLUMN 4 PER CAPITA RECEIVED	COLUMN 5 TOTAL RECEIPTS TO PRESBYTERY BUDGET <small>(Column 2 + Column 4)</small>	COLUMN 6 SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS	COLUMN 7 NON-BUDGETED DESIGNATIONS	COLUMN 8 TOTAL OF ALL RECEIPTS <small>(Column 5+Columns 6&7)</small>	MEMBERSHIP 12/31/21
PEACHTREE			\$187,753.82		\$0.00			\$0.00	7136
ROSWELL		\$45,000.00	\$64,239.38	\$64,239.39	\$109,239.39			\$109,239.39	2386
First PRES-ATLANTA		\$22,500.00	\$51,450.86	\$51,451.00	\$73,951.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$78,451.00	1732
KOREAN COMMUNITY		\$35,000.00	\$48,779.84		\$35,000.00			\$35,000.00	1430
TRINITY ATLANTA		\$79,603.00	\$45,056.60	\$45,045.60	\$124,648.60			\$124,648.60	1575
SHALLOWFORD	\$3,781.14	\$3,781.00	\$27,168.86	\$27,169.00	\$30,950.00	\$125.00		\$31,075.00	989
ALPHARETTA	\$22,400.00	\$22,400.00	\$22,393.40	\$22,400.00	\$44,800.00	\$4,718.00	\$1,400.00	\$50,918.00	815
DECATUR		\$28,959.47	\$21,341.18	\$21,584.00	\$50,543.47	\$18,250.00	\$3,750.00	\$72,543.47	738
ST LUKES	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$19,830.30	\$19,749.36	\$54,749.36	\$4,073.12		\$58,822.48	715
NORTH AVENUE		\$20,012.04	\$19,398.62	\$12,963.57	\$32,975.61	\$5,300.04	\$1,030.00	\$39,305.65	715
JOHNS CREEK			\$18,022.64	\$9,234.00	\$9,234.00			\$9,234.00	457
MCDONOUGH	\$11,097.18	\$11,097.00	\$14,380.34	\$14,380.34	\$25,477.34	\$2,891.00	\$3,200.00	\$31,568.34	514
First PRES-LAGRANGE	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$13,948.66	\$14,257.00	\$19,257.00	\$3,902.29		\$23,159.29	509
CENTRAL	\$19,000.00	\$19,000.00	\$13,732.82	\$13,732.82	\$32,732.82	\$540.21	\$270.10	\$33,543.13	498
First AFRICAN			\$12,950.40		\$0.00			\$0.00	362
BUFORD	\$0.00		\$10,738.04	\$11,168.00	\$11,168.00	\$239.44	\$1,339.76	\$12,747.20	392
NEWMAN			\$10,738.04	\$9,808.29	\$9,808.29			\$9,808.29	398
MOUNT VERNON		\$15,000.00	\$10,603.14	\$10,700.00	\$25,700.00	\$3,598.00	\$532.00	\$29,830.00	385
MORNINGSIDE			\$10,441.26	\$10,441.26	\$10,441.26	\$4,575.69	\$2,244.16	\$17,261.11	387
NORTHMINSTER	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$10,360.32	\$10,360.32	\$36,360.32			\$36,360.32	381
PLEASANT HILL	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00	\$10,252.40	\$10,252.40	\$21,252.40			\$21,252.40	362
NORTH DECATUR		\$20,000.00	\$8,984.34	\$9,550.92	\$29,550.92	\$5,718.89	\$44,150.00	\$79,419.81	335
CLAIRMONT			\$8,687.56	\$8,686.92	\$8,686.92		\$910.00	\$9,596.92	248
OAKHURST	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$8,660.58	\$8,660.58	\$10,660.58	\$1,485.00	\$275.00	\$12,420.58	331
WESTMINSTER	\$0.00		\$8,417.76	\$8,417.76	\$8,417.76	\$633.81		\$9,051.57	304
NEW LIFE			\$8,363.80		\$0.00			\$0.00	306
FAYETTE			\$7,311.58	\$3,655.79	\$3,655.79			\$3,655.79	271
EASTMINSTER			\$6,825.94	\$6,826.00	\$6,826.00			\$6,826.00	285
GOOD SHEPHERD	\$0.00		\$6,583.12	\$6,556.14	\$6,556.14			\$6,556.14	242
COVINGTON FIRST PRESBYTERIAN	\$10,000.00	\$9,166.63	\$6,286.34	\$5,762.68	\$14,929.31		\$500.00	\$15,429.31	231
CARROLTON	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$6,178.42	\$5,486.00	\$6,486.00	\$609.43		\$7,095.43	220
NORTHWEST		\$10,000.00	\$6,151.44	\$6,152.00	\$16,152.00			\$16,152.00	193
RADCLIFFE	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$5,800.70	\$5,800.70	\$7,300.70	\$2,725.00	\$220.00	\$10,245.70	202
LOYD			\$5,746.74	\$5,962.58	\$5,962.58			\$5,962.58	170
ST ANDREWS	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$5,719.76	\$5,719.76	\$8,219.76	\$1,034.10	\$130.01	\$9,383.87	200

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First PRES-PEACHTREE CITY		\$2,000.00	\$5,449.96	\$5,449.96	\$7,449.96		\$13,445.00	\$20,894.96	181
CONYERS			\$5,207.14	\$3,905.25	\$3,905.25	\$545.00		\$4,450.25	187
MORROW			\$5,207.14	\$5,207.14	\$5,207.14	\$1,648.26	\$3,000.00	\$9,855.40	190
COVENANT	\$12,000.00	\$11,000.00	\$5,072.24	\$5,072.00	\$16,072.00			\$16,072.00	172
LAWRENCEVILLE	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$5,018.28	\$5,018.00	\$8,018.00	\$1,871.52	\$1,698.10	\$11,587.62	159
KOREAN CENTRAL			\$4,856.40	\$4,856.40	\$4,856.40			\$4,856.40	180
CROSSROADS	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00	\$4,235.86	\$4,235.86	\$5,485.86	\$1,449.99		\$6,935.85	160
KAIROS			\$4,100.96	\$4,100.96	\$4,100.96			\$4,100.96	128
STOCKBRIDGE	\$4,000.00	\$800.00	\$3,642.30	\$4,800.00	\$5,600.00	\$310.00		\$5,910.00	123
DRUID HILLS	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$3,372.50	\$3,372.00	\$7,872.00	\$845.00	\$400.00	\$9,117.00	123
HAMILTON MILL	\$5,000.00	\$4,090.92	\$3,264.58	\$2,671.02	\$6,761.94			\$6,761.94	110
HILLSIDE	\$2,500.00	\$1,875.00	\$3,264.58	\$3,210.62	\$5,085.62	\$8,151.14	\$703.29	\$13,940.05	119
EMORY		\$1,500.00	\$3,210.62	\$3,211.00	\$4,711.00	\$2,796.67	\$211.33	\$7,719.00	61
AUSTELL	\$0.00	\$2,485.30	\$3,021.76	\$293.98	\$2,779.28	\$5,629.47	\$510.53	\$8,919.28	98
RICE MEMORIAL	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,832.90	\$2,832.90	\$5,332.90	\$261.01	\$49.59	\$5,643.50	98
SMYRNA			\$2,751.96	\$3,183.64	\$3,183.64			\$3,183.64	95
OGLETHORPE	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$2,751.96	\$2,752.00	\$6,752.00	\$865.33	\$30.67	\$7,648.00	99
CHURCH OF THE MASTER			\$2,724.98		\$0.00			\$0.00	100
COLUMBIA			\$2,563.10	\$2,563.12	\$2,563.12	\$2,088.16	\$31.33	\$4,682.61	93
FAIRVIEW		\$1,000.00	\$2,482.16	\$2,482.16	\$3,482.16	\$932.50	\$43.75	\$4,458.41	89
PHILADELPHIA	\$500.00	\$100.00	\$2,401.22	\$2,401.22	\$2,501.22	\$1,059.20		\$3,560.42	79
GOOD NEWS GARDEN			\$2,401.22		\$0.00			\$0.00	79
First PRES-MONROE			\$2,212.36	\$2,212.36	\$2,212.36			\$2,212.36	81
First PRES-JONESBORO	\$7,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$2,104.44	\$1,675.90	\$5,675.90		\$600.00	\$6,275.90	76
BETHANY	\$0.00		\$2,077.46	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	\$779.00		\$2,979.00	77
TRINITY DECATUR		\$500.00	\$1,996.52	\$2,182.95	\$2,682.95	\$686.80	\$31.25	\$3,401.00	72
TIMBERRIDGE	\$0.00		\$1,969.54	\$1,969.54	\$1,969.54			\$1,969.54	76
PRESBY CHURCH OF THE RESURRECT'N	\$0.00		\$1,969.54	\$1,969.54	\$1,969.54			\$1,969.54	63
GUM CREEK			\$1,861.62	\$1,996.52	\$1,996.52	\$135.00		\$2,131.52	67
NORCROSS	\$1,258.28		\$1,726.72	\$1,726.70	\$1,726.70	\$1,071.00	\$132.00	\$2,929.70	66
ATLANTA TAIWANESE			\$1,672.76	\$1,672.76	\$1,672.76			\$1,672.76	59
HANBIT			\$1,349.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00			\$1,500.00	54
CRISTO PARA TODAS LAS NACIONES			\$1,349.00		\$0.00			\$0.00	50
JACKSON	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,295.04	\$1,295.04	\$3,295.04	\$100.00		\$3,395.04	51
GRACE KOREAN			\$1,106.18	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00			\$1,200.00	38

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KELLEY	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,106.18	\$1,106.18	\$2,106.18			\$2,106.18	38
HEMPHILL MEMORIAL	\$450.00		\$890.34		\$0.00	\$450.00		\$450.00	33
ATLANTA KOREAN			\$647.52	\$647.52	\$647.52			\$647.52	28
FRIENDSHIP	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$647.52	\$647.52	\$3,647.52	\$550.00		\$4,197.52	25
First PRES-MANCHESTER WM SPRGS.			\$620.54	\$620.54	\$620.54	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$670.54	14
BARNESVILLE			\$593.56		\$0.00			\$0.00	22
DALLAS-DODD			\$566.58	\$566.58	\$566.58			\$566.58	22
WESTHILLS			\$512.62	\$533.70	\$533.70	\$735.00		\$1,268.70	17
GREENVILLE			\$485.64		\$0.00			\$0.00	18
EBENEZER	\$514.36	\$514.36	\$485.64	\$485.64	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00	14
NEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GA.	\$1,000.00		\$458.66		\$0.00			\$0.00	18
First PRES-BREMEN	\$0.00		\$377.72	\$377.72	\$377.72			\$377.72	14
TALLAPOOSA	\$0.00		\$377.72		\$0.00			\$0.00	6
FELLOWSHIP			\$215.84		\$0.00			\$0.00	8
EL NAZERENO		\$325.50		\$674.50	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00	
BENEVOLENCE TOTAL	\$204,750.96	\$476,960.22	\$850,328.66	\$565,054.62	\$1,042,014.84	\$95,879.07	\$82,887.88	\$1,220,781.78	30244
INDIVIDUAL GIVING TOTAL				\$637.31				\$22,428.92	
* OVERALL TOTAL		\$476,960.22		\$565,691.93				\$1,243,210.70	

COLUMN (1) Benevolence Pledges from church sessions.

COLUMN (2) All funds for basic benevolence support of GA, Synod & Presbytery Missions. Not included here are special designations, which are reported in Column 5.

COLUMN (3) Per Capita due by April 1, 2022 is \$26.98 per member based on the active membership of the congregation as of January 1, 2021 as reported in the Assembly statistics for Dec. 31, 2020.

COLUMN (4) Per Capita received at Presbytery.

COLUMN (5) Total Receipts to Presbytery Budget.

COLUMN (6) Designated amounts that support the budgeted work of the governing bodies and institutions of the church.

COLUMN (7) Designated amounts that support non-budgeted work of institutions of the church, such as E.C.O.'s, Disaster Relief & Capital Funds Campaign, etc.

COLUMN (8) Total of all receipts.

MEMBERSHIP - Shown for 12/31/21; per capita based on 12/31/20 membership.

If there is an error, please send a written request for correction to Gwen Hairston, Financial Support Specialist, at the Presbytery Office via email at ghairston@atlpcusa.org
Your written request will expedite our ability to respond. If you have any questions, contact Gwen Hairston at 404-898-0711, ext 125.

Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, Inc.
Preliminary Statement of Financial Position
Operations Fund
As of January 31, 2023

Assets

Cash		\$136,747.97
Investments		\$1,004,295.72
Accounts Receivable		
Allowance for Accounts Receivable	(\$46,400.00)	
A/R--Operations	\$1,778.70	
A/R-Due from Clifton Sanctuary Min.	(\$4,271.60)	
A/R Memorial Drive PC	\$13,128.50	
A/R-Hanbit PC	\$0.00	
A/R - Atlanta Korean	\$33,361.65	
A/R- Ormewood Park	\$42,139.24	
A/R - College Park PC	\$0.00	
A/R - Church of the New Covenant	(\$13,212.33)	
A/R - Luther Hays PET	\$20.10	
A/R-Georgia Avenue Building/Site	\$46,519.83	
A/R -Church os St. Andrew	\$49,801.24	
Total Accounts Receivable		\$122,865.33
Pledges Receivable (Ground Lease)	\$725,000.00	
Discount on Pledges Receivable (Ground Lease)	(\$490,759.85)	
Total Pledges Receivable		\$234,240.15
Prepaid Expenses		\$18,135.25
Property & Equipment		\$1,206,393.49
Land, Buildings and Property (Net)		\$8,608,207.39
Total Accumulated Depreciation		(\$1,331,025.10)
Total Assets		<u>\$9,999,860.20</u>

Liabilities, Fund Principal, & Restricted Funds

Liabilities		
Prepaid Income		\$2,693.25
A/P Operations		\$2,457.72
A/P - Insurance W/H		(\$7.92)
Due to (from) Other Funds		\$0.00
HFSA		\$1,260.82
Accrued Vacation		\$20,051.81
GA Ave. Bldg Agency Funds		\$16,894.91
Long-term Debt		
Due to Wachovia (CSM)	\$0.00	
Total Long-term Debt		\$0.00
Other Liabilities	\$0.00	
		<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Liabilities		\$43,350.59
Total Restricted Funds		\$1,155,051.16
Fund Principal		
Fund Balance-Operations	\$8,951,124.63	
Net Income Year-to-Date	(\$149,666.18)	
Total Fund Principal and Net Income Year-to-Date		<u>\$8,801,458.45</u>
Total Liabilities, Fund Principal, & Restricted Funds		<u>\$9,999,860.20</u>

Presbytery of Greater Atlanta
 Operations Fund Revenues and Disbursements-Preliminary
 Period Ending January 31, 2023

	Actual Period Ending <u>1/31/23</u>	Actual Period Ending <u>1/31/22</u>	Annual Budget <u>FYE 01/31/2023</u>
Operation Support	\$ 456,948.18	\$ 456,210.16	\$ 535,000.00
Per Capita	\$ 544,043.46	\$ 570,473.40	\$ 600,000.00
Budgeted Designated	\$ 80,196.51	\$ 91,510.40	
Budgeted Presbytery	\$ 13,570.14	\$ 17,105.44	\$ 3,000.00
Total Designated	<u>\$ 1,094,758.29</u>	<u>\$ 1,135,299.40</u>	<u>\$ 1,138,000.00</u>
Interest Income	\$ 10,167.01	\$ 15,431.81	\$ 10,000.00
Unrealized Gain (Loss) - Ops	\$ (38,084.29)	\$ (3,143.11)	\$ 12,000.00
Realized(Gain) & Loss-Ops		\$ 9,107.10	
Designated for Presbytery Only	\$ 41,662.53	\$ 45,413.37	\$ 46,500.00
Interest-Presbyterian Foundation	\$ 2.61	\$ 0.01	\$ -
Other Income	\$ 347,864.65	\$ 251,096.51	\$ 332,500.00
Total Revenues before Transfers	<u>\$ 1,456,370.80</u>	<u>\$ 1,444,097.98</u>	<u>\$ 1,539,000.00</u>
Transfers			
Transfer from Other Funds	\$ 5.23	\$ -	\$ -
Total Transfers	<u>\$ 5.23</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Benevolent Disbursements	\$ 580,658.49	\$ 604,551.77	\$ 508,803.06
Program Expenses			
Committees & Partnerships	\$ 7,538.66	\$ 4,535.16	\$ 11,150.00
Salary and Benefits	\$ 863,725.32	\$ 856,948.08	\$ 865,540.99
Administrative Costs	\$ 154,109.28	\$ 148,661.09	\$ 153,505.95
Total Program Expenses	<u>\$ 1,025,373.26</u>	<u>\$ 1,010,144.33</u>	<u>\$ 1,030,196.94</u>
Total Transfers and Disbursements	<u>\$ 1,606,031.75</u>	<u>\$ 1,614,696.10</u>	<u>\$ 1,539,000.00</u>
Change in Net Assets	<u>\$ (149,666.18)</u>	<u>\$ (161,491.01)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Other Revenues	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,851,000.00</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Other Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Net Operating Total	\$ (149,666.18)	\$ 1,689,508.99	\$ -

Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, Inc.
Monthly Benevolence Report
March 2023

Note: The Report Option to include Open Transactions is selected.

Accounts	MTD Actual (This Year)	YTD Actual (This Year)	YTD Actual (Last Year)
Revenues			
Support and Revenue			
Budgeted Designated			
Budgeted General Assembly			
100-403000 - One Great Hour of Sharing	\$849.51	\$849.51	\$510.00
100-403020 - Christmas Joy Offering	\$3,584.33	\$6,676.33	\$4,675.08
100-403030 - Pentecost Offering	\$383.00	\$383.00	\$25.00
100-403050 - Peacemaking Special Offering	\$0.00	\$228.56	\$2,740.24
100-403200 - Designated for Missionaries	\$916.67	\$2,750.01	\$2,050.01
Total Budgeted General Assembly	<u>\$5,733.51</u>	<u>\$10,887.41</u>	<u>\$10,000.33</u>
Budgeted Presbytery			
100-403510 - Designated Thornwell Home & School	\$712.50	\$2,012.50	\$1,219.81
100-403520 - Columbia Seminary	\$351.34	\$645.94	\$0.00
100-403550 - Johnson C. Smith Seminary	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$362.49
100-403580 - Presbyterian Homes	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$640.96
Total Budgeted Presbytery	<u>\$1,063.84</u>	<u>\$2,858.44</u>	<u>\$2,223.26</u>
Total Budgeted Designated	<u>\$6,797.35</u>	<u>\$13,745.85</u>	<u>\$12,223.59</u>
Total Support and Revenue	<u>\$6,797.35</u>	<u>\$13,745.85</u>	<u>\$12,223.59</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$6,797.35</u>	<u>\$13,745.85</u>	<u>\$12,223.59</u>
Disbursements and Expenses			
Benevolent Disbursements			
100-500100 - G. A. Budgeted Benevolence	\$5,733.51	\$10,887.41	\$9,447.83
100-500500 - Designated for Presbyterian Homes	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$640.96
100-504030 - Designated for Thornwell	\$712.50	\$2,012.50	\$1,219.81
100-506010 - Designated for Columbia Seminary	\$351.34	\$645.94	\$0.00
100-506020 - Designated for JC Smith Seminary	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$362.49
Total Benevolent Disbursements	<u>\$6,797.35</u>	<u>\$13,745.85</u>	<u>\$11,671.09</u>
Total Disbursements and Expenses	<u>\$6,797.35</u>	<u>\$13,745.85</u>	<u>\$11,671.09</u>
Net Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$552.50

THE PRESBYTERY OF GREATER ATLANTA
2023 BENEVOLENCE GIVING RECORDS
3/31/23

CHURCH	COLUMN 1 OPERATIONAL SUPPORT PLEDGE	COLUMN 2 OPERATIONAL SUPPORT RECEIVED	COLUMN 3 PER CAPITA ASSESSMENT \$28.35	COLUMN 4 PER CAPITA RECEIVED	COLUMN 5 TOTAL RECEIPTS TO PRESBYTERY BUDGET <small>(Column 2 + Column 4)</small>	COLUMN 6 SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS	COLUMN 7 NON-BUDGETED DESIGNATIONS	COLUMN 8 TOTAL OF ALL RECEIPTS <small>(Column 5+Columns 6 & 7)</small>	MEMBERSHIP 12/31/22
PEACHTREE			\$202,305.60		\$0.00		\$0.00	7396	
ROSWELL			\$67,643.10		\$0.00		\$0.00	2415	
First PRES-ATLANTA			\$49,102.20	\$49,102.00	\$49,102.00	\$50.00	\$1,120.00	\$50,272.00	1755
TRINITY ATLANTA			\$44,651.25		\$0.00			\$0.00	1598
KOREAN COMMUNITY			\$40,540.50		\$0.00		\$160.00	\$160.00	1423
SHALLOWFORD	\$3,412.00	\$485.34	\$28,038.15	\$4,673.00	\$5,158.34			\$5,158.34	967
ALPHARETTA			\$23,105.25		\$0.00			\$0.00	749
DECATUR			\$20,922.30		\$0.00			\$0.00	727
ST LUKES	\$30,000.00		\$20,270.25		\$0.00			\$0.00	702
NORTH AVENUE		\$3,335.34	\$20,270.25		\$3,335.34	\$833.34	\$50.00	\$4,218.68	700
MCDONOUGH			\$14,571.90		\$0.00			\$0.00	464
First PRES-LAGRANGE	\$5,000.00		\$14,430.15		\$0.00			\$0.00	456
CENTRAL	\$14,000.00		\$14,118.30		\$0.00	\$228.56	\$114.27	\$342.83	487
JOHNS CREEK	\$0.00		\$12,955.95	\$3,042.90	\$3,042.90			\$3,042.90	322
NEWMAN			\$11,283.30		\$0.00			\$0.00	402
BUFORD	\$0.00		\$11,113.20	\$1,352.20	\$1,352.20		\$144.25	\$1,496.45	390
MORNINGSIDE			\$10,971.45		\$0.00			\$0.00	402
MOUNT VERNON			\$10,914.75		\$0.00			\$0.00	383
NORTHMINSTER			\$10,801.35		\$0.00			\$0.00	299
First AFRICAN			\$10,262.70		\$0.00			\$0.00	360
PLEASANT HILL	\$11,000.00		\$10,262.70		\$0.00			\$0.00	312
NORTH DECATUR	\$20,000.00		\$9,497.25		\$0.00			\$0.00	348
OAKHURST			\$9,383.85		\$0.00			\$0.00	332
NEW LIFE			\$8,675.10		\$0.00			\$0.00	298
WESTMINSTER	\$0.00		\$8,618.40		\$0.00	\$728.00		\$728.00	290
EASTMINSTER	\$0.00		\$8,079.75	\$807.98	\$807.98			\$807.98	239
FAYETTE			\$7,682.85		\$0.00			\$0.00	258
CLAIRMONT	\$0.00		\$7,030.80	\$1,297.31	\$1,297.31			\$1,297.31	245
GOOD SHEPHERD	\$0.00		\$6,860.70		\$0.00			\$0.00	222
COVINGTON FIRST PRESBYTERIAN	\$10,000.00	\$833.33	\$6,548.85	\$545.74	\$1,379.07			\$1,379.07	190
CARROLTON			\$6,237.00		\$0.00	\$140.00		\$140.00	161
RADCLIFFE	\$1,600.00		\$5,726.70		\$0.00			\$0.00	192
ST ANDREWS	\$2,500.00		\$5,670.00		\$0.00	\$615.00		\$615.00	193
NORTHWEST			\$5,471.55		\$0.00			\$0.00	190
MORROW			\$5,386.50	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00			\$2,000.00	184
CONYERS			\$5,301.45		\$0.00			\$0.00	187
First PRES-PEACHTREE CITY			\$5,131.35		\$0.00	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00	194
KOREAN CENTRAL	\$1,000.00		\$5,103.00		\$0.00			\$0.00	185

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3/31/23**

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COVENANT	\$4,000.00	\$333.33	\$4,876.20	\$406.35	\$739.68		\$739.68	167	
LOYD			\$4,819.50		\$0.00		\$0.00	165	
CROSSROADS	\$1,250.00		\$4,536.00		\$0.00		\$0.00	153	
LAWRENCEVILLE	\$3,000.00		\$4,507.65		\$0.00		\$0.00	169	
KAIROS			\$3,628.80		\$0.00		\$0.00	128	
STOCKBRIDGE	\$2,000.00		\$3,487.05		\$0.00		\$0.00	128	
DRUID HILLS	\$4,500.00		\$3,487.05		\$0.00		\$0.00	120	
HILLSIDE			\$3,373.65		\$0.00		\$0.00	117	
HAMILTON MILL	\$5,000.00		\$3,118.50		\$0.00		\$0.00	111	
CHURCH OF THE MASTER			\$2,835.00		\$0.00		\$0.00	89	
OGLETHORPE			\$2,806.65		\$0.00		\$0.00	98	
AUSTELL	\$1,500.00		\$2,778.30		\$0.00	\$344.60	\$294.60	\$639.20	95
RICE MEMORIAL			\$2,778.30		\$0.00			\$0.00	92
SMYRNA			\$2,693.25		\$0.00			\$0.00	82
COLUMBIA			\$2,636.55		\$0.00			\$0.00	57
FAIRVIEW			\$2,523.15	\$630.79	\$630.79	\$45.00		\$675.79	85
First PRES-MONROE	\$0.00		\$2,296.35		\$0.00			\$0.00	80
PHILADELPHIA	\$200.00	\$500.00	\$2,239.65		\$500.00	\$1,524.00	\$200.00	\$2,224.00	78
GOOD NEWS GARDEN			\$2,239.65		\$0.00			\$0.00	79
BETHANY	\$0.00		\$2,182.95		\$0.00			\$0.00	78
First PRES-JONESBORO	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,154.60	\$600.00	\$1,600.00	\$750.00		\$2,350.00	72
TIMBERRIDGE	\$0.00		\$2,154.60		\$0.00			\$0.00	66
TRINITY DECATUR			\$2,041.20		\$0.00			\$0.00	67
GUM CREEK			\$1,899.45		\$0.00			\$0.00	70
NORCROSS	\$0.00		\$1,871.10		\$0.00			\$0.00	66
PRESBY CHURCH OF THE RESURRECT'N			\$1,786.05		\$0.00			\$0.00	62
EMORY	\$1,500.00		\$1,729.35		\$0.00			\$0.00	56
ATLANTA TAIWANESE			\$1,672.65		\$0.00			\$0.00	59
HANBIT			\$1,530.90		\$0.00			\$0.00	50
JACKSON	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,445.85	\$1,445.85	\$3,445.85			\$3,445.85	54
CRISTO PARA TODAS LAS NACIONES			\$1,417.50		\$0.00			\$0.00	50
GRACE KOREAN			\$1,077.30		\$0.00			\$0.00	45
KELLEY			\$1,077.30		\$0.00			\$0.00	42
HEMPHILL MEMORIAL			\$935.55	\$935.55	\$935.55			\$935.55	33
EL NAZERENO			\$850.50		\$0.00			\$0.00	35
ATLANTA KOREAN			\$793.80		\$0.00			\$0.00	
FRIENDSHIP	\$3,000.00		\$708.75		\$0.00			\$0.00	24
BARNESVILLE			\$623.70		\$0.00			\$0.00	22

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3/31/23**

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DALLAS-DODD			\$623.70		\$0.00			\$0.00	22
GREENVILLE			\$510.30		\$0.00			\$0.00	18
NEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GA.			\$510.30		\$0.00			\$0.00	18
WESTHILLS			\$481.95		\$0.00			\$0.00	17
First PRES-MANCHESTER WM SPRGS.			\$396.90		\$0.00			\$0.00	13
EBENEZER	\$703.10	\$703.10	\$396.90	\$396.90	\$1,100.00			\$1,100.00	19
First PRES-BREMEN	\$0.00		\$396.90	\$396.90	\$396.90			\$396.90	14
FELLOWSHIP			\$226.80		\$0.00			\$0.00	6
TALLAPOOSA			\$170.10	\$305.00	\$305.00	\$40.00		\$345.00	5
BENEVOLENCE TOTAL	\$132,165.10	\$9,190.44	\$858,267.90	\$67,938.47	\$77,128.91	\$7,298.50	\$2,083.12	\$86,510.53	29793
INDIVIDUAL GIVING TOTAL								\$1,025.00	
* OVERALL TOTAL		\$9,190.44		\$67,938.47				\$87,535.53	

COLUMN (1) Benevolence Pledges from church sessions.

COLUMN (2) All funds for basic benevolence support of GA, Synod & Presbytery Missions. Not included here are special designations, which are reported in Column 5.

COLUMN (3) Per Capita due by April 1, 2023 is \$28.35 per member based on the active membership of the congregation as of January 1, 2022 as reported in the Assembly statistics for Dec. 31, 2021.

COLUMN (4) Per Capita received at Presbytery.

COLUMN (5) Total Receipts to Presbytery Budget.

COLUMN (6) Designated amounts that support the budgeted work of the governing bodies and institutions of the church.

COLUMN (7) Designated amounts that support non-budgeted work of institutions of the church, such as E.C.O.'s, Disaster Relief & Capital Funds Campaign, etc.

COLUMN (8) Total of all receipts.

MEMBERSHIP - Shown for 12/31/22; per capita based on 12/31/21 membership.

If there is an error, please send a written request for correction to Gwen Hairston, Financial Support Specialist, at the Presbytery Office via email at ghairston@atlpcusa.org

Your written request will expedite our ability to respond. If you have any questions, contact Gwen Hairston at 404-898-0711, ext 125.

Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, Inc.
Preliminary Statement of Financial Position
Operations Fund
As of March 31, 2023

Assets

Cash		\$212,722.00
Investments		\$804,295.72
Accounts Receivable		
Allowance for Accounts Receivable	(\$46,400.00)	
A/R--Operations	\$1,778.70	
A/R-Due from Clifton Sancturary Min.	\$0.00	
A/R Memorial Drive PC	\$19,748.00	
A/R - Atlanta Korean	(\$33,303.40)	
A/R- Ormewood Park	\$42,139.24	
A/R - Church of the New Covenant	(\$11,748.57)	
A/R - Luther Hays PET	\$20.10	
A/R-Georgia Avenue Building/Site	\$48,041.92	
A/R -Church os St. Andrew	\$52,738.89	
Total Accounts Receivable		\$73,014.88
Pledges Receivable (Ground Lease)	\$725,000.00	
Discount on Pledges Receivable (Ground Lease)	<u>(\$490,759.85)</u>	
Total Pledges Receivable		\$234,240.15
Prepaid Expenses		\$18,110.25
Property & Equipment		\$1,206,393.49
Land, Buildings and Property (Net)		\$8,608,207.39
Total Accumulated Depreciation		<u>(\$1,331,025.10)</u>
Total Assets		<u><u>\$9,825,958.78</u></u>

Liabilities, Fund Principal, & Restricted Funds

Liabilities		
A/P Operations		(\$79.02)
A/P - Insurance W/H		(\$7.89)
HFSA		\$3,022.81
Accrued Vacation		\$20,051.81
GA Ave. Bldg Agency Funds		\$16,894.91
Total Liabilities		\$39,882.62
Total Restricted Funds		\$997,414.52
Fund Principal		
Fund Balance-Operations	\$8,801,458.45	
Net Income Year-to-Date	(\$12,796.81)	
Total Fund Principal and Net Income Year-to-Date		<u>\$8,788,661.64</u>
Total Liabilities, Fund Principal, & Restricted Funds		<u><u>\$9,825,958.78</u></u>

Presbytery of Greater Atlanta
Operations Fund Revenues and Disbursements-Preliminary
Period Ending February 28, 2023

	Actual Period Ending <u>3/31/23</u>	Actual Period Ending <u>3/31/22</u>	Annual Budget <u>FYE 01/31/2024</u>
Operation Support	\$ 36,288.67	\$ 99,416.36	\$ 534,000.00
Per Capita	\$ 131,579.89	\$ 109,986.05	\$ 600,000.00
Budgeted Designated	\$ 10,887.41	\$ 10,000.33	
Budgeted Presbytery	\$ 3,158.44	\$ 3,223.26	\$ 3,000.00
Total Designated	<u>\$ 181,914.41</u>	<u>\$ 222,626.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,137,000.00</u>
Interest Income	\$ 1.23	\$ 121.22	\$ 10,000.00
Unrealized Gain (Loss) - Ops	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,000.00
Realized(Gain) & Loss-Ops			
Designated for Presbytery Only	\$ 6,873.67	\$ 7,174.89	\$ 46,500.00
Interest-Presbyterian Foundation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Income	<u>\$ 97,979.20</u>	<u>\$ 46,852.83</u>	<u>\$ 330,500.00</u>
Total Revenues before Transfers	<u>\$ 286,768.51</u>	<u>\$ 276,774.94</u>	<u>\$ 1,536,000.00</u>
Transfers			
Transfer to Other Funds	\$ 3.67	\$ -	\$ -
Transfer from Other Funds	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Total Transfers	<u>\$ 3.67</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Benevolent Disbursements	\$ 115,782.56	\$ 103,746.73	\$ 516,361.64
Program Expenses			
Committees & Partnerships	\$ 790.00	\$ 150.50	\$ 11,150.00
Salary and Benefits	\$ 158,541.10	\$ 144,698.99	\$ 849,697.59
Administrative Costs	<u>\$ 24,447.99</u>	<u>\$ 20,726.00</u>	<u>\$ 158,790.77</u>
Total Program Expenses	<u>\$ 183,779.09</u>	<u>\$ 165,575.49</u>	<u>\$ 1,019,638.36</u>
Total Transfers and Disbursements	<u>\$ 299,561.65</u>	<u>\$ 269,322.22</u>	<u>\$ 1,536,000.00</u>
Change in Net Assets	<u>\$ (12,796.81)</u>	<u>\$ 7,452.72</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Other Revenues	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Other Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Net Operating Total	\$ (12,796.81)	\$ 7,452.72	\$ -

Presbyterian Women
Presbytery of Greater Atlanta
March 2022-March 2023

Presbyterian Women continue to be a vital part of the Presbyterian Church (USA) as we continue to serve our churches and our Lord in this post COVID time. The PW Coordinating Team continues to meet via Zoom and in person and we held our 2023 PW Annual Gathering in person with a Zoom component.

Everything we do at the local church level reflects our PW Purpose. Our women continue to meet in circles for prayer and Bible Study, enjoying this year's study, Celebrating Sabbath by Carol Betchel, as they continue to build an inclusive, caring community of women. PW serve in their own churches as deacons, elders, and Sunday School teachers as well as caring for the youngest and the oldest members around them. Many PW circles have monthly projects that benefit their local community and/or organizations in our Presbytery.

In June 2022 we held, via Zoom, Leadership Workshops with classes for Moderators, Bible Study teachers, Mission Opportunities, and a Book Review.

Spring means **Come See Columbia** Day for Presbyterian Women as PW gathered on campus, as members of the Columbia Friendship Circle, to meet the scholarship recipients, worship, attend lectures, and visit over lunch. Many toured Mission Haven to learn about the Clothes Closet and how PW contributions make a difference in this vital ministry to missionary families.

PW participated in **AMIS'** (Atlanta Ministry with International Students) 44th Welcome Reception for International Students & Scholars on September 24th.

This one-of-a-kind event gathered 300 students from 14 colleges/universities and 75 countries for a community reception that featured live music, free food, icebreaker games, and the opportunity to meet international students who are attending colleges and Universities all over Metro Atlanta.

Presbyterian Women celebrated **Villa International's** 50th Anniversary in October 2022 remembering that Villa was started years ago with the gift of the Birthday Offering from Presbyterian Women churchwide. PW had presented Camille Gaffron with a PW Honorary Life Membership in February 2022 for her service and dedication to Villa.

PW members also gathered in October for supper to hear Rev Heleviao Poget, an international peacemaker in the PC(USA) Program and her ministry in Madagascar that is focused on youth, street ministry and human trafficking prevention. Her ministry: Mamonjy, A Human Trafficking Prevention Campaign had received a prior gift from the PW Thank Offering in 2019.

And about 20 women from the presbytery attended the **PW Synod of South Atlantic (SOSA)** Triennial Gathering at Epworth by the Sea, October 21-23, where we gathered with other PW sisters from Georgia, South Carolina, and Florida for worship, education, fellowship, and fun.

Debra Durden, from Greater Atlanta Presbytery, was chosen as Moderator Elect and will be serving SOSA as Moderator for the next few years beginning this July 1, 2023.

Church Women United, Atlanta Unit, is currently led by Sheila Louder, President, who also serves as PW District Leader for District 10. Sheila keeps PW informed of the many great programs available with CWU and we support the Least Coin Offering through our local circles each year.

In addition to Columbia Friendship Circle, Mission Haven. Amis, Villa International, and CWU our women also support Memorial Drive Ministries, Thornwell, JCSTS, Presbyterian Homes. We have liaisons on our coordinating team to keep us informed of their needs and activities.

Our PW members are generous with their financial support. **PW Celebration Giving** totaled \$ 25,147 in 2022 for the Birthday Offering, Honorary Life Membership, Least Coin, Mission Pledge, Thank Offering. Additional funds of \$8,751 were donated to Calvin Center, Childspring International, Church Women United, Columbia Friendship Circle, Haiti Missions, Johnson C Smith Seminary, Memorial Drive Ministries, Mission Haven, Presbyterian Homes, St Labre Indian School, Thornwell, and Villa International.

In addition to these ministries, each local PW in the congregation has projects that are special to them. These include:

Summer Lunch Program Processing 10,000 meals for Rise Against Hunger

Good Shepherd Clinic Morrow Presbyterian Food Pantry Securus House

Partners in Education Fayette Samaritans Matthew 28 in Haiti

LaGonave Goat Project Stirred Up Ministries Easter Egg Hunts VBS

Diapers, face masks, supplies for Toco Hills Community Alliance

Christmas Child Boxes Thanksgiving Meals Souper Bowl of Caring

Bake Sales Father's Day Breakfast Cradle Cross & Bible for newborns.

Santa Claus Express MDM; bedding, kitchen utensils, diapers

Family Promise's Day Center Seminary Student Support Women's Retreats

Massimo's Team Chef Shawl Ministry La Amistad tutoring Fairview Elem

Neighborhood Cooperative Ministry etc etc etc etc

Presbyterian Women have definitely lived out the theme for 2022.

As God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Colossians 3:12

Presbyterian Women are an integral part of our Presbyterian Churches and continue to have struggles in this post COVID era. We are grateful for support from our local pastors and sessions. While our vibrant women are active in many areas of church life and various ministries, we continue to experience decreasing numbers of women who participate, especially younger women. In many churches we are an aging population who is running out of steam. The younger women are busy working, managing childcare and senior care. They want to participate in mission opportunities and Bible Study but are not interested in meetings and gatherings of an organization. We need new leadership when currently we are all tired.

Our PW Annual Gathering was held March 19th At Clairmont Presbyterian Church. Rev. Jiyhun Oh brought our message on Galatians 6:9-10

So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

So we continue in 2023 to follow Jesus and love up on our communities. We will do what is right and we will not give up. We seek your prayers of support as we serve our Lord together.

Pepe Bowman, PW Moderator
Presbytery of Greater Atlanta

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

For Information:

The Nominating Committee strives to select those best able and available to perform the Presbytery's work as it also endeavors to use the available talents of as many people as possible. Presbytery committees and commissions are composed of ruling elders, teaching elders and lay leaders who work together to support, strategize, research, plan, and make decisions that guide our presbytery in accomplishing its mission. Please think about joining God's work at the presbytery level and complete a Volunteer Interest Form (VIF) found on the last page of this Handbook or online at <https://www.atlpcusa.org/committees>. By completing the VIF, you will help the Nominating Committee learn of your interests and special gifts. You will also find a list of committees and job descriptions at the link above. If you have questions or need more information, please contact Debbie Durden (dfdurden@gmail.com), Emily Wilmesherr (ewilmesherr@dpchurch.org) or Joy Fisher (jfisher@atlpcusa.org).

For Recommendation: (all names in **bold** are those that are being nominated)

Committee on Ministry

Class of 2023

1. Mary Jane Cornell (2018)	TE	Honorably Retired
2. Sherri Bozardt (2021)	RE	Northminster
3. Craig Costen (2021)	RE	Church of the Master
4. Mary Smarr (2021)	RE	Oakhurst
5. Hodari Williams (2021)	TE	New Life
6. Nayoung Kim (2022)	TE	Validated

Class of 2024

1. Julie Ferguson (2019)	TE	At Large
2. Guerry Mashburn (2019)	RE	First Atlanta
3. Gretchen Turner (2019)	RE	St. Andrews
4. Brenda Gales (2021)	RE	Resurrection
5. Gad Mpoyo (2022)	TE	Validated
6. David Rogers (2022)	TE	Honorably Retired

Class of 2025

1. Kathy McCloud (2020)	RE	Central
2. Katie Owen Aumann (2023)	TE	Morningside
3. Jonathan Ball (2023)	TE	Validated
4. Gail Funderburk (2023)	RE	Pleasant Hill
5. Lucy Strong (2023)	TE	Trinity Atlanta
6. Michael Sanchez (2023)	TE	Saint Luke's

Council

Class of 2023

1. Cecelya Taylor	(2018)	TE	Church of the Master
2. Byeong Cheol Han	(2021)	TE	Korean Central
3. Robert Hay	(2021)	RE	First Peachtree City

Class of 2024

1. Brady Radford	(2019)	TE	Trinity Decatur
2. Faye Cashwell	(2022)	RE	Saint Luke's
3. Nicole Lock	(2022)	TE	At Large

Class of 2025

1. Beverly Markham	(2020)	TE	Alpharetta
2. Marthame Sanders	(2020)	TE	Validated
3. John Fountain	(2023)	RE	Conyers

Committee on Preparation for Ministry

Class of 2023

1. Trace Haythorn	(2018)	TE	Validated
2. Beth Johnson	(2020)	TE	Honorably Retired
3. Jill Joyner	(2021)	TE	At Large
4. Mark Ribbens	(2023)	RE	Roswell
5. VACANCY			
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9. VACANCY			

Class of 2024

1. Joannah Cook	(2019)	TE	Validated
2. Yeonkwon Jeong	(2019)	TE	Validated
3. Emma Neishloss	(2019)	TE	Morningside
4. Erin Morgan	(2021)	TE	Covington First
5. Davis Bailey	(2022)	TE	McDonough
6. Rachel Breyer	(2022)	TE	Validated
7. Ann Hunter	(2022)	RE	Central
8. Karen Shim	(2022)	RE	Korean Community
9. VACANCY			

Class of 2025

1. Barry Gaeddert	(2020)	TE	At Large
2. David Lower	(2020)	TE	Saint Luke's
3. Seung-eun Rhee	(2020)	TE	Validated
4. Ji Sun (Emily) Choi	(2023)	TE	Korean Community

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| 5. Kristy Ray | (2023) | TE | Stockbridge |
| 6. VACANCY | | | |
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| 9. VACANCY | | | |

Dismantling Racism Committee

Class of 2023

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|-------------------------|--------|----|---------------|
| 1. Chris Holmes | (2022) | TE | First Atlanta |
| 2. Lindsay Slocum | (2022) | TE | Roswell |
| 3. Betti Jo (BJ) Steele | (2022) | RE | Norcross |

Class of 2024

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|----------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| 1. Andrew Esqueda | (2022) | TE | Trinity Atlanta |
| 2. Jasiel Hernandez-Garcia | (2022) | TE | Central |
| 3. Chanmi Park | (2023) | TE | Korean Central |

Class of 2025

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|--------------------|--------|----|--------------|
| 1. Tom Hagood | (2022) | TE | Columbia |
| 2. SungHee Han | (2022) | TE | Validated |
| 3. Carrell Kalland | (2022) | RE | Resurrection |

Personnel Committee

Class of 2023

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|---------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------|
| 1. Jody Sauls | (2018) | RE | Decatur |
| 2. Jay Lanners | (2021) | RE | Covington First |
| 3. Camille LeBron Powell | (2023) | TE | St. Andrews |

Class of 2024

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|--------------------|--------|----|------------|
| 1. Paula Coleman | (2019) | RE | Radcliffe |
| 2. Melissa Schmitz | (2019) | RE | Alpharetta |
| 3. Julie Johnson | (2022) | TE | Validated |

Class of 2025

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|-----------------------|--------|----|-------------------|
| 1. Bobbie Wrenn Banks | (2020) | TE | Honorably Retired |
| 2. Jay Hah | (2021) | RE | Korean Central |
| 3. Beth Waltemath | (2023) | TE | Validated |

Committee on Representation Report

Help us help you! Below is a survey the Committee on Representation needs to assess how well you believe the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta represents you. Our committee is charged with guaranteeing the full participation and representation in worship, governance, and emerging life to all persons or groups within our presbytery. This is a responsibility we take very seriously, but we need your help. Won't you please take a few minutes to complete this survey and help us ensure you are represented in our presbytery and denomination? Thanks so much for your time.

Complete the survey here: www.atlpcusa.org/cor-survey



**STATED MEETING HIGHLIGHTS
FEBRUARY 23-25, 2023**

**EPWORTH-BY-THE-SEA
ST. SIMONS ISLAND, GEORGIA**

- The Synod welcomed our new Synod Executive and Stated Clerk, Valerie Young. In her report, Valerie voiced her goal of regathering and empowering the Synod team to live out the Synod's vision in new and different ways.
- A conversation with Valerie Young and Moderator David Shelor discussed the role of the Synod, challenges ahead, and her top priority of meeting and visiting with leaders.
- We danced and danced!

- Meeting attendees shared events, successes, joys and prayer needs of their churches and presbyteries. The EAC will pray over those in the coming weeks.
- The body approved the election of the following Synod Permanent Judicial Commission Members (SPJC): Virgil Marshall, (TEBM), Flint River; Donna Wells, TEWF, Greater Atlanta, and Evelyn White (REBF), Charleston-Atlantic.
- The Synod welcomed the Rev. Ruth Faith Santana-Grace as the Keynote Speaker for the meeting. Friday's Keynote was a panel discussion in response to questions, and included the Rev. Dr. Victor Aloyo, President, Columbia Theological Seminary, and the Rev. Cindy Kohlmann, Connectional Presbyter/Stated Clerk, New Castle Presbytery, and Co-Moderator of the 223rd General Assembly.
- The Rev. Dr. Victor Aloyo preached about loving our enemies and led the body in communion after the Installation of Valerie to her new role.
- Saturday's keynote discussed the church's "Current Cultural Context Uncharted," looking at the landscape of the PCUSA, its leadership challenges, and a re-formation from the wilderness.

**Next Synod Stated Meeting
November 14, 2023 via Zoom**



WHAT: Three courses to choose from at June 2023 Session

WHERE: Epworth by the Sea, Saint Simons, GA OR ONLINE

WHEN: Friday, June 23rd - Sunday, June 25th

FEES: \$110 tuition for everyone *PLUS* accommodations & meal fees for those participating in-person

Register by May 25th



INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE: Survey the literature, history, and faith of the people of Israel as recorded in the Old Testament and the new Israel of God as described in the New Testament. **This course will be led by Dr. Bob Bryant, Professor of Bible at Presbyterian College, and favorite School of the Laity faculty member of many years.**

PRE-COURSE WORK: Participants are encouraged to purchase *The New Oxford Annotated Bible with Apocrypha: New Revised Standard Version, 5th ed.* In addition, Dr Bob has prepared an "Introduction to the Bible: A Reader's Guide"

to guide you in reading through scripture to prepare for your course. *This guide will be sent to you upon registration- so register early!*

INTRODUCTION TO REFORMED THEOLOGY: A foundational introduction exploring how reformed theology shapes and informs the ministry of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Presbyterian view of scripture, Attributes of God, Major Doctrines of the Church, The Trinity, incarnation, salvation, justification, sanctification, and predestination. **Leading this course is Dr. Martha Moore-Keish, the J.B. Green Professor of Theology at Columbia Theological Seminary.**



PRE-COURSE WORK: Participants are required to read *Christian Doctrine* by Shirley C. Guthrie Jr.



PRACTICAL MINISTRIES: Participants will develop an understanding of how to apply their learning in areas such as leading Bible Studies, sharing their faith, pastoral care visitation and service to the wider church. **Dr. Sam Henderson has served as pastor and head of staff, in various congregations in nine presbyteries before his current service in Flint River Presbytery.**

PRE-COURSE WORK: Read *Sailboat Church* by Joan Gray. The more you've digested some of the content of Joan's book, the more time we can spend sharing ways you've experienced church life that seemed more like sailing or more like rowing. *In addition, there will be a list of scripture passages to read that will be sent to you once you register-so register early!*

All courses are open to anyone who would like to participate.

SOL Registration Form: June 23-25, 2023

NAME: _____ CHURCH: _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

COURSE TITLE: _____ TODAY'S DATE: _____

The School of the Laity is a program in which **you can choose to participate online via Zoom or in-person**. In-person accommodations (*which include meals*) will be held at Epworth-By-the-Sea, St. Simons, GA. According to our Epworth Contract, commuters must pay the “commuter fee” which pays for meals *even if they do not intend to eat meals*.

- 1. Tuition plus accommodation are required fees for in-person attendees.**
- 2. Please read the registration form carefully, there are sections for both “in-person” and “online” participants.**
- 3. Every participant is required to complete this two-page registration.**

Make checks payable to the **SAVANNAH PRESBYTERY** indicating “SOL” in the memo section. **Mail this form and your fee to:**

School of the Laity
C/O Marty Susie
Wilmington Island Presbyterian Church
450 N Cromwell Rd
Savannah, Ga 31410

To PAY ONLINE, you must REGISTER ONLINE as well.

Online registration: [School of the Laity Form - Savannah Presbytery](#)

***BE SURE TO ENTER FEE AMOUNT IN the “*School of the Laity Fees*” box.**

Please add an additional 2% to your total registration cost to pay online convenience fee.

PLEASE REGISTER by June 2nd, 2023

for one:

Introduction to the Bible
Introduction to Reformed Theology
Practical Ministries

****Complete the Fee Worksheet on the next page**
FEE WORKSHEET

COMPLETE THIS SECTION IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND IN-PERSON

		<u>Fee Enclosed</u>
1. COURSE FEE (<i>Tuition</i>)- <u>ADD TO</u> accommodation fee:		\$110.00/person
2. Choose <u>ACCOMODATION FEE</u>:		
<u>COMMUTER</u> (<i>includes all meals</i>)	\$85.00	\$ _____
<u>SINGLE @ Booth/Pitts</u>	\$190.00	\$ _____
OR <u>WITH A ROOMMATE (DBL)</u>	\$140.00	\$ _____
<u>SINGLE @ Robertson Inn</u>	\$210.00	\$ _____
OR <u>WITH A ROOMMATE (DBL)</u>	\$160.00	\$ _____
Total Fee Enclosed (1+2=):		\$ _____

*Roommate Name (if DOUBLE): _____

THIS SECTION FOR ONLINE PARTICIPATION:

I will participate ONLINE via ZOOM at a Course Fee of \$110.00 per person

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact:

*Marty Susie, SOL Registrar, at 800-616-3671 ext. 703 or
MSusie1@savannahpresbytery.org*



Caring Hands

Presbyterian Homes of Georgia is a Christian ministry providing exceptional services to enhance the quality of life for senior adults.

Presbyterian Homes of Georgia has served senior adults from all religious denominations and financial situations, offering a full range of programs and accommodations. We have six communities:

Three are Life Plan/Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs):

- Presbyterian Home and Retirement Community in Quitman
- Presbyterian Village in Austell
- Presbyterian Village in Athens

Three are affordable senior living apartment communities:

- Philips Tower in Decatur
- Calvin Court in Atlanta's Buckhead neighborhood
- Swainsboro Presbyterian Apartments in Emanuel County

Together, the six Presbyterian Homes communities serve more than 1,300 residents.

The Caring Hands Fund

Caring Hands is the heart of our ministry at Presbyterian Homes of Georgia and benefits our most vulnerable residents.

Caring Hands helps with:

- Meal assistance to address food insecurities
- Rides to appointments to ensure the medical, mental spiritual health of our residents
- Help with medical bills or devices that they might otherwise be unable to afford

The purpose of these funds is to add to the quality of life and overall well-being of our residents. Whenever we see a need, we seek to fill it.

Talking Points:

Thanks to our donors, gifts to *Caring Hands* ensure that we keep the promise that we at Presbyterian Homes of Georgia have been making for 74 years, that no resident will ever be asked to leave due to outliving their financial means.

- More than one-third of our 1300 residents at our six communities benefit from some form of charitable care through *Caring Hands*.
- We provide the following without any federal assistance for our HUD residents, wellness, food, transportation, or chaplaincy programs.
- Residents stay healthy and active longer. But as more residents live longer before needing nursing care, we have seen more outliving their financial means.



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FAST FACTS CHURCHES

Ways you and your church could help Presbyterian Homes:

- Promote 30 Days/*Caring Hands Offering* (on 1 or 2 Sundays)
- Provide financial support through budgeted contributions
- Volunteer to help with the *Caring Hands Classic Golf Tournament*
- Volunteer at:
 - Presbyterian Home, Quitman
 - Presbyterian Village, Austell
 - Presbyterian Village, Athens
 - Calvin Court, Atlanta
 - Philips Tower, Decatur
 - Presbyterian Apartments, Swainsboro
- Sponsor a worship or vespers service at one of our six communities
- "Adopt" a resident, facility, or special event
- Pray for the ministry of Presbyterian Homes and our residents

Ways Presbyterian Homes can help you and your church:

- Provide a speaker for a church program; provide resources and educational information to the congregation about issues related to aging or care giving
- Host church groups for lunch and tours of our ministry
- Provide space for a church leadership retreat
- Help coordinate a mission project at one of the communities
- Coordinate ministry needs to members of your church family who now reside at Presbyterian Homes

Contact Us

Please contact Robin Sumner at rsumner@phgainc.org for more information.



Caring Hands Classic

SPONSORSHIP

GOLF TOURNAMENT

back at AAC in 2023!

10.09.23
MONDAY
9:30 AM START

Save the date!



Caring Hands Fund

Presbyterian Homes of Georgia is a Christian ministry providing exceptional services to enhance the quality of life for senior adults. The heart of our ministry is the *Caring Hands Fund*. This fund subsidizes the costs of 400 of our most financially vulnerable residents.

Caring Hands helps with:

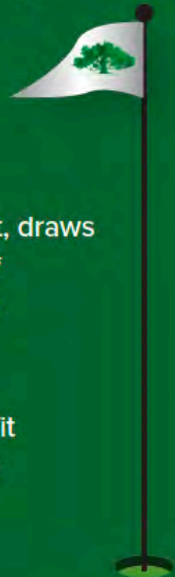
- Meal Assistance to address food insecurities
- Transportation to meet off-premises health care needs
- Financial assistance with medical bills, supplies, and devices
- Health and Wellness activities, exercise programs, spiritual care, and chaplaincy programs

Through the generosity of giving, the *Caring Hands Fund* enables Presbyterian Homes of Georgia to provide financial assistance to residents, when needed, for a lifetime of enhanced quality of life.

What is the Caring Hands Classic?

The *Caring Hands Classic* is Presbyterian Home's annual fundraising event on October 09, 2023, with a 9:30 am tee time at the Atlanta Athletic Club. This will be our 17th Annual *Caring Hands Classic*. Bramble format.

Tee it up to show you care!



Why Sponsor?

The *Caring Hands Classic* Golf Tournament, draws more than 300 of Atlanta's and the State of Georgia's most distinguished business and community leaders.

Presbyterian Homes of Georgia, a non-profit organization is nationally recognized for its outstanding care and service to seniors.

Available Sponsorships:

To Sponsor, Please Contact:

Jerry Dean Weber
jdweber@phginc.org
(404) 831-0886 mobile



<https://www.phginc.org/chclassic/>

	Presenting \$100,000	Platinum \$50,000	Diamond \$25,000	Sapphire \$15,000	Gold \$7,500	Silver \$5,000	Bronze \$2,500	Copper \$1,500
Feature Banner/Sign	X							
Second Feature Banner/Sign	X	X	X	X	X			
Golf Team(s)	4	3	2	1	1	1		
Sponsor Presentation	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo	Name	Name	Name
Tournament Signage	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Recognition by Presenters	X	X	X	X	X			
Logo on Golf Event Website	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X





Seven Marks of Vital Congregations

1

LIFELONG Discipleship Formation vs.

Complacent “Christian” piety, simply teaching good morals, or offering the latest programs.

“The righteousness that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness of God based on faith.” (PHIL. 3:9B)

- From the cradle to the grave seeking to be formed for right living with God and with all people.
- Faith — seeking understanding, cultivating wisdom, and actively following Christ. It is not an extra-curricular activity nor merely head-knowledge.
- Discipleship awakened and engaged in issues facing today’s culture: injustice, inequality, divisive segregation, oppression, suffering, abuse of creation.
- Discipleship formed and strengthened in the community of Christ and permeates daily practices and daily living.

2

Intentional Authentic Evangelism vs.

“Jesus freaks”; “Christian” Hypocrisy; A committee.

“We have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God.” (2 COR. 4:7)

- Intentionally sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ, not just acts of kindness.
- Authentically sharing Christ because it is intrinsic to self-identity; overflow of Christ in our life.
- Relational, not programmatic or systematic

3

Outward Incarnational Focus vs.

Inward Institutional Survival; Closed communities of assimilation/exclusion.

“The gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it.” (MATT. 7:14)

- Outward exploration, awareness, and focus on neighbors and neighborhood.
- Beyond relationship with those who are like us, the incarnate Christ dwells among the lowly & least, the stranger & the suffering, the marginalized & majority.
- Missional focus on where Christ is already living and present and calling us to dwell.

4

Empower Servant Leadership vs.

the Pastor’s job; monopolized leadership; hiring the young energetic pastor; burning out good volunteers.

“The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers.” (MATT. 9:37–38)

- Identify, nurture, support the use of spiritual gifts of all people to serve; not monopolized cliques of power.
- All voices and people are necessary, and it is noticeable when people are absent/missing.
- Nurture and encourage those specifically called and gifted for pastoral ministry.

5

Spirit-Inspired Worship vs. Self-gratifying worship, stale ritual divorced of meaning, or consumer entertainment worship

“These people draw near with their mouths and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their worship of me is a human commandment learned by rote.” (ISAIAH 29:13)

- Worship is about God. We get to come on holy ground, encounter God, and experience wonder.
- Worship is active participation in the living relationship of the triune God, thus all should feel welcome just as they are to come.
- Worship challenges, teaches, transforms, encounters, convicts, and sends people out different.

6

Caring Relationships vs. Any other Social Club; façades, hypocrisy, and judgment of “church” and “religion.”

“By this everyone will know that you are disciples, if you have love for one another.” (JOHN 13:35)

- Sharing in God’s true agape moves us beyond half-hearted programmatic participation, lukewarm faith, and pretending.
- Instead of a closed, judgmental community, people find freedom to share stories, encounter the Savior, and ask for help.
- Welcome and hospitality are not left to a committee, but, imperfectly, we strive for all people find identity, purpose, and belonging in the household of God.
- Confront conflict, seek reconciliation in all divisions, find ways to embrace all diversity, seek to be peace-makers and bridge builders together.

7

Ecclesial Health vs. Unhealthy dysfunction; toxic environments; obsolete and irrelevant buildings

“The body does not consist of one member but of many. God has so arranged the body that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another.” (1 COR. 12:14, 24B–25)

- Understanding of: Why we are a church community? How are we a church community in practice? Prayer permeates all life together.
- Clarity in mission, core values to ministry, passion and joy in being the church. Our budget reflects these values, vision, and ministries.
- Fiscally responsible — stewardship and tithing are taught, transparency in spending, continual assessment/discernment of a sustainable budget.
- All are aware of how decisions are made, stake-holders in the process and procedures, valued voices in the envisioning, open to changes, continual assessment of the “why” and “how” we are church together.
- Nurturing and supporting the health of pastor(s), staff, and all called to lead; fighting against burnout.

Partnership Information

AMIS (Atlanta Ministry with International Students) is the French word for “friends” and describes our mission, which is to promote cultural and global understanding through friendship and hospitality with international students and scholars in the greater Atlanta area. We are currently looking for volunteers to welcome and connect with international students as Amigo friends. Our International Friendship program matches an international student with a volunteer in the local community for friendship and sharing of cultures. Your support can help an international student in their adjustment to American life, culture, and language, as well as introduce them to our city. We ask you to meet at least once for a meal, event, or outing and continue your friendship over the year as you have time and opportunity. Learn more at: amis-inc.org/amigovolunteer or email us at office@amis-inc.org.

Buckhead Christian Ministries’ mission is to keep people from becoming homeless and to work to elevate their possibilities for economic empowerment. We provide emergency assistance, supportive housing, and financial education programs that strengthen our community and empower our neighbors. Learn more at: <https://bcmgeorgia.org>

Central Outreach and Advocacy Center’s purpose is to open doors to overcome and prevent homelessness. Our vision is to be passionate advocates and invested partners for those experiencing homelessness. Central OAC serves downtown Atlanta from the lower level of Central Presbyterian Church. Our agency has developed from an emergency food pantry to a church outreach ministry into one of the most well-known nonprofits in the downtown area. Learn more at: <https://centraloac.org>

Earth Covenant Ministry (GIPL) Georgia Interfaith Power and Light is an interfaith non-profit whose mission is to engage communities of faith in the stewardship of Creation as a direct expression of our faithfulness and as a religious response to global climate change, resource depletion, environmental injustice, pollution, and other disruptions in Creation. Learn more at: <https://gipl.org/>

ECKAM (Evangelical Coalition of Korean American Ministries) is a partnership of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta. It is formed by Korean congregations and fellowships within the bounds of Greater Atlanta Presbytery. ECKAM’s focus shall be mission and ministry that specifically addresses the Korean cultural context and language needs. ECKAM is part of the Presbytery subject to all the policies and procedures of the presbytery and Book of Order, yet will have a certain degree of autonomy in addressing ministry in the Korean context, and in some process issues in the presbytery.

The mission of **Joining Hands for Justice in Palestine and Israel (JHJPI)** is to promote peace with justice in the Holy Land. We promote bringing an end to the Israeli Occupation and exploitation of land and resources by applying Christ’s teaching through prayer, advocacy, and education. Our hope is to build relationships on the basis of equality and human rights so that all may live in peace with dignity.

Join Us! We meet, via Zoom, on the second Thursday of every month at noon.
Support Our Work: donate online – www.jhjpi.com/support or send check to: P.O. Box 2123,
Tucker, GA, 30085
Like our Facebook Page: Joining Hands for Justice in Palestine and Israel
Visit Our Website: jhjpi.com for more information and resource materials.
Or contact: Sarah Humphrey: sarah.h.humphrey@gmail.com

La Gonave Haiti Partners

Our Vision: A future where everyone on la Gonâve experiences thriving, abundant life.
Our Mission: Haitian and American partners, working side by side in mutually-transformative relationships, to build vibrant, hopeful, and resilient communities on the island of la Gonâve. For more than 30 years, la Gonâve Haiti Partners has been working in collaboration with the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti to support programs that build capacity for an improved quality of life for Haitians living on la Gonâve island. Nineteen churches across eight states, individuals, and other institutions partner with our Haitian brothers and sisters to support pre K-12 education for over 1500 students, healthcare for thousands of patients, and economic development opportunities to families through micro finance loans and the Kid-for-a-Kid goat program. Recent initiatives include a new rural middle school that will open this fall, and a computer literacy curriculum for students attending the K-12 school with the arrival of the St. Francis computer lab, and creation of an integrated network of health care providers across the island that addresses maternal and infant health and childhood malnutrition. We welcome new churches to learn more about joining our partnership. Learn more at:
www.lagonavepartners.org.

Memorial Drive Ministries envisions the end of disconnectedness for refugees and the diverse community of Clarkston. This summer, Memorial Drive Ministries welcomed 3 new partners onto our campus to join our community: a new congregation worshipping in Burmese on Sundays, an International Rescue Committee summer camp for resettled refugee students, and the Center for Victims of Torture external relations staff. As we move into the fall, stay in touch by following Memorial Drive Ministries on Facebook, signing up for our E-newsletter through our website, or giving a gift through our Amazon Wishlist. Learn more at:
<https://www.facebook.com/MemorialDriveMinistries>
<https://mdmatl.org/sign-up-for-newsletter/>
https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/l/1KZ6V7DYWQ4SP?ref =wl_share

The **Peace and Global Witness Partnership** is established to promote the efficacy of Peace throughout our global community and nation. To effectuate this process of Peace, the Partnership has incorporated several Ministries which range in service population to International Students (Ministry of Amis), The Prison Movement (Ncart), Local homelessness Service projects, El Refugio and detainee programs as well as the Sanctuary Movement located at Columbia Presbyterian Church. In addition, collaborations are underway to integrate the work of Mission Haven with local church ministries. Further the development of the Institute for Public Theology under the auspices of Columbia Presbyterian Church has begun preliminary

discussions with Columbia Seminary in an effort to develop a cross section of curricular designed to enhance public theology praxis with seminary training.

Presbyterians Caring for Chaplains and Military Personnel helps the PC(USA) endorsing agency, Presbyterian Federal Chaplaincies (www.pccmp.org), provide Presbyterian and reformed ministry to federal personnel with the mission, “That all may practice in peace.” We help recruit and support Presbyterian clergy who serve members and families of our Armed Forces worldwide, Veterans and their families receiving care from the Department of Veterans Affairs, inmates confined in Bureau of Prison facilities and their families, and members and cadets of the Civil Air Patrol. In August 2022, Chaplain Training and Credentialing events will be held at Calvin Crest Conferences outside Oakhurst, CA on August 1-5 and at Montreat Conference Center in Montreat NC on August 8-12. Presbytery’s Peace and Global Witness Partnership financially supports these events. Minister members of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta that currently serve as Chaplains are Patrick Day with the Georgia National Guard, Victoria Kelly Chappell with the US Navy Reserve and Michael Chaney in the US Navy. For more information contact Rev. Bill Nisbet, retired Army Reserve Chaplain, at wonisbet@bellsouth.net.

Presbyterians for a Better Georgia has been a voice for Presbyterians at the state capitol during the 2022 legislative session, working especially hard to achieve positive results on our two focus issues: 1) increasing affordable housing/ending homelessness and 2) increasing access to healthcare. Please visit our website (www.p4bg.org) or our Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter feeds to learn more about how you can partner with PBG.

Presbyterian Youth Ministry Collaboration of Atlanta brings together those working in youth ministry across the greater Atlanta area. Our group is composed of full-time, part-time and volunteer youth workers who serve in a variety of ordained and non-ordained positions at PGA churches. The mission of this partnership is to foster community and learning between the youth workers of the presbytery through idea sharing.

Street Grace is a faith-driven organization collaborating with faith, business and community leaders providing a comprehensive path to end the sexual exploitation of minors. CSEC involves the recruitment, harboring, transportation, and/or the obtaining of a child under the age of 18 for the purpose of a commercial sex act. Street Grace mobilizes community resources – financial, human, and material – to fight CSEC through **prevention, protection, policy and pursuit.**

MISSION: To eradicate the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC).

VISION: A world where all children are free from sexual exploitation.

Learn more at: <https://www.streetgrace.org/>

The mission of **UKirk Atlanta** is to energize, coordinate, and develop relationship-based ministries on Atlanta area college campuses and to build connections between college students and PC(USA) congregations. UKirk Atlanta strives to foster supportive, faithful communities of

students who together seek to engage faith in their everyday lives, particularly for the students at Agnes Scott College, Emory University, and Georgia State University.

We are proudly a member of More Light Presbyterians and a Matthew 25 Faith Community.

Our partnership as a More Light ministry gives us a foundation for the future of our ministry that we are proud to stand upon so that we can “be lovingly present for those who most need support in our communities, encouraging us to better attend to their spiritual needs.”

We are also called by our faith to stand against the systems of white supremacy and racism, seeking justice and wholeness in God’s beloved community. Learn more at:

www.ukirkatlanta.com

Westminster Christian Fellowship at Georgia Tech introduces students and Chinese scholars to Christianity and walks with Christians through this pivotal time of life. Our general student group meets weekly for fellowship, worship, prayer, and small group Bible studies. Our Chinese student group meets weekly to build community and study the Bible. Every year we serve over 300 Chinese students in August by welcoming them to Georgia Tech by offering transportation and temporary housing before the school year begins. We also have a weekly group for Chinese adult scholars and their families to learn about Christianity. The scholars group provide many adults with their first exposure to Christianity.

If you would like more information about our organization, you can visit our website (www.gt-wcf.org) or find us on Facebook or Instagram (gtwcf). If you are interested in volunteering or becoming a financial supporter, you may email our director Jon Keyser (jon@gt-wcf.org).

ADDENDUM

Opportunities for Presbytery Service

During the Pandemic, all meetings are virtual until further notice.

*Committees/Commissions of the Presbytery need you! If interested and able, please submit a Volunteer Interest Form (and General Assembly Interest Form, if interest in GA) found with full descriptions of committees/commissions at <http://atlpcusa.org/committees>. Terms of service are typically 3 years, with eligibility for re-election, and maximum of 6 consecutive years. The * indicates that committee/commission members must be Ruling Elders or Teaching Elders in the PC (USA).*

***Bills and Overtures Committee/General Assembly (GA) Commissioner** – prepares for, attends, and participates in the General Assembly, reports to the Presbytery, and serves as the Presbytery Bills and Overtures Committee for two years following the General Assembly. Meetings are typically Monday, quarterly, 1-3 pm.

***Committee on Ministry (COM)** – provides care of congregations, pastors, and educators. Meetings are typically 3rd Thursdays, monthly, 5-7 pm, with subcommittees meeting from 4-5 pm.

***Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM)** – works with inquirers and candidates as they discern calls to ministry and move through the requirements for ordination. Meetings are typically 4th Thursdays, monthly, 4:30-7:30 pm, alternating between in-person at Morningside PC and Zoom.

Committee on Representation (COR) – offers ways to live out the church's commitment to inclusiveness and representation. Meetings are typically 3rd Tuesdays, every other month, 10-11:30 am.

***Presbytery Council** – guides, plans and envisions staffing needs and directions to be taken by the Presbytery. Meetings are typically Monday, 5-6 times per year, 5-7 pm.

Dismantling Racism Committee (DRC) – looks at ways congregations may be more engaged in education and action around racism. Meetings are typically 4th Wednesdays, monthly, 5-6:30 pm.

***Examinations Commission** – examines all ministers who wish to be received into the Presbytery for membership. Meetings are typically 3rd Thursdays, monthly, 1-4 pm.

Grants Committee – reviews grant applications and awards grants each year to churches, other organizations, and/or seminarians. Meetings are typically twice per year in May and October.

***New Church Development Commission (NCDC)** – catalyzes and supports the development of new worshiping communities/new church developments throughout our presbytery. Meetings are typically 3rd Mondays, 2nd month of each quarter, 6:30-8:30 pm. Members also serve on committees, which meet at various times.

***Nominating Committee** – identifies and recruits volunteers for Presbytery committees/commissions. Meetings are typically Thursdays, 3-4 times per year, beginning at 10am, with the duration depending on the number of positions to be filled.

Operations Committee – manages financial and business processes of the Presbytery. Meetings are typically Mondays, quarterly, 2-4 pm.

***Permanent Judicial Commission (PJC)** – exercises church discipline through judicial process. Meetings are as needed during the 6-year term of service.

Personnel Committee – provides guidance, expertise, and assistance to the Presbytery staff regarding matters of personnel. Meetings are typically 1st Mondays, quarterly, 12-1:30 pm.

***Synod Commissioners** – represent the Presbytery at 1-2 Synod meetings per year of a 2-year term.

Presbytery Worship and Planning Committee – assists in planning worship and order of business for Stated Meetings of the Presbytery. Meetings are typically on a Monday, approximately 6 weeks prior to each Stated Meeting, 11:30 am-2 pm, plus one joint meeting per year with Council to discuss themes for the coming year.

VOLUNTEER INTEREST FORM
Presbytery of Greater Atlanta

Use this form to express interest in volunteering to serve on a Presbytery of Greater Atlanta committee/commission. The information you submit will be put on file for the Nominating Committee. The primary nominating meeting is in the fall. However, there may be a few vacancies to fill throughout the year.

The PGA is committed to giving full expression to the rich diversity of our membership in the structures of our committees/commissions and council. Providing information helps the Nominating Committee fulfill this commitment to inclusiveness and representation.

Please complete the questions below as you feel comfortable. Submitting a form does not guarantee nomination. If you are nominated, you will be contacted by a member of the Nominating Committee. If not nominated, your information will be kept for the next cycle.

Committee/Commission Info: <https://www.atlpcusa.org/committees>

Mail To: Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, 1024 Ponce de Leon Ave NE, Atlanta, GA 30306

To fill out this form online, visit <http://bit.ly/2xMq8bm> or Scan →



Today's Date

First Name

Last Name

Email Address

Phone Number

Preferred Method of Communication

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

I am a:

____ Ruling Elder (Once a Ruling Elder, always a Ruling Elder!)

____ Teaching Elder

____ Lay Person

Church of Affiliation and City (Ex. First Presbyterian in Covington)

If Teaching Elder, are you:

____ Validated Minister Member

____ Honorably Retired

____ Member At Large

____ Parish Pastor

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Thank you for your interest in serving.

I am interested in serving on the following committees/commissions:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> General Assembly Commission/Bills
& Overtures Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> New Church Development
Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Committee on Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Nominating Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Committee on Preparation for
Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Operations Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Committee on Representation
Council | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Judicial Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dismantling Racism Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Personnel Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Examinations Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Synod Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grants Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Worship and Planning Committee |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Where Needed |

I offer the following gifts/qualities/skills to a committee/commission: (*Examples: Financial Planning, Multilingual, Funds Development, Bookkeeping, Musician, Liturgist, Listener, etc.*)

In the Presbytery, I have served in the following ways (any presbytery):

Age:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 25 and Under | <input type="checkbox"/> 46-55 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 26-35 | <input type="checkbox"/> 56-65 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 36-45 | <input type="checkbox"/> Over 65 |

Gender Identity: _____

Cultural/ Ethnic Heritage: _____

Physical Limitations: _____

What else would you like us to know about you that would be helpful?

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Thank you for your interest in serving.