# March 15, 2025, Minutes of Covenant Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church

Hosted by Milburn Chapel, West Paducah, KY
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Moderator - Rev. Joseph Stephenson
Stated Clerk - Reese Baker
Recording Clerk - Susan Baker

Next Meeting

of

Covenant Presbytery

September 20, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Flat Lick, Hopkinsville, KY

# MEMORIAL ROLL

# DECEASED MINISTERS

Rev. Junior Martin April 16, 2025

# DECEASED ELDERS

Margaret Peeler (Mt. Zion) December 22, 2024

Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted.

Matthew 5:4

# Covenant Presbytery Of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church

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To: All Who Receive Covenant Presbytery Minutes

From: Stated Clerk of Covenant Presbytery

Re: Covenant Presbytery Minutes for Regular Meeting on March 15, 2025

Dear Friends,

Please contact me if you see any incorrect information. Typing errors are easily made; however, I would like to correct these things in future publishings. I apologize for mistakes made. I don't know of any, but I feel sure they are there.

May God bless,

Reese Baker

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# Standing Rules for Covenant Presbytery

# 1.00 General Regulations

- 1.10 NAME: The name shall be "Covenant Presbytery," hereafter called "The Presbytery."
- **1.20 DENOMINATIONAL AFFILIATION:** The Presbytery is a governing body of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and is a member of the Synod of the Midwest.
- 1.30 BOUNDRIES: The Presbytery includes Hopkins, Trigg, Henderson, Webster, Union and all counties that lie west of them in Kentucky including areas of Christian County five miles in diameter around the Hopkinsville Church and a corridor three miles wide along the little river, westward to the Trigg County line. The Presbytery also includes the following counties in Illinois: Alexander, Hardin, Jackson, Johnson, Massac, Pope, Pulaski, Saline, Union, and Williamson with the exception of the Lebanon South Church, one mile north of Galatia.
- **MEMBERSHIP:** The Presbytery consists of its ordained ministers, and all Cumberland Presbyterian churches located within its boundaries.
- **1.50 MANUAL OF OPERATION:** The Presbytery shall use the "Presbytery Manual of Operation" as a guideline for matters that are not covered by these Standing Rules.
- 1.60 SUSPENSION OF, OR AMENDMENTS TO THE STANDING RULES: These Standing Rules may be suspended or amended by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting.
- **1.70 BOARD OR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:** Any board or committee making recommendations to the Presbytery shall indicate in their report any recommendation requiring a 2/3 vote for passage.

#### 2.00 MEETINGS

- **2.10 DATE AND TIME:** The Presbytery shall convene in 2 regular meetings which shall be on the third Saturday of March and the third Saturday of September at 9:00 a.m. When the March meeting date falls in Holy Week, that meeting shall be delayed 1 week. The Presbytery shall also have such adjourned and called meetings as necessary.
- **2.15 WORSHIP:** Each stated meeting of Presbytery shall open with a worship service which includes a ten (10) minute devotional by the moderator and serving of Communion. After each noon recess the meeting shall be reopened with a ten (10) minute devotional led by a probationer designated by the Committee on the Ministry.
- **2.20 PLACE:** The place of all regular meetings of the Presbytery shall be chosen by invitation from the member churches.
- 2.30 ATTENDANCE: All ordained ministers (other than those who have been permanently excused,) probationers, and elder delegates from each church in the Presbytery are expected to attend each meeting of Presbytery. If for a valid reason one is unable to attend, an excuse should be sent to the stated clerk requesting an excuse and stating the reason.
- **ENROLLMENT:** Prior to each regular meeting of Presbytery, the moderator shall appoint a Credentials Committee. During the period of registration thirty minutes prior to the stated time for the meeting, the committee will receive and certify the enrollment cards. Their report to the body, at the time set on the agenda, will serve as the opening roll call for the determination of a quorum.
- **2.50** AGENDA: The agenda for each meeting of the Presbytery shall be prepared by the moderator, stated clerk, and pastor host.

**2.60 HOST CHURCH:** The host church shall be reimbursed \$200 for each stated meeting of the Presbytery.

#### 3.00 OFFICERS

- **3.10 MODERATOR:** The moderator shall be elected for a one year term and shall serve until a successor is elected. The moderator shall serve as an advisory member of all Presbytery boards and agencies. See the Presbytery Manual of Operation, Section 3.1 and the Rules of Order, Section 1. The moderator shall appoint someone to fill vacancies on boards and agencies until the next stated meeting. Prior to the stated meetings of Presbytery, the moderator shall appoint a Committee on Overtures and Resolutions to serve during the meeting.
- **3.20 VICE-MODERATOR:** The vice-moderator shall be elected for a one year term and shall serve until a successor is elected. It is expected that the vice-moderator shall succeed the moderator, but this is subject to the will of the Presbytery. See the Presbytery Manual of Operation, Section 3.2 and the Rule of Order, Section 2.
- 3.30 STATED CLERK/TREASURER: The stated clerk/treasurer shall be elected for a three year term and may serve additional terms. The stated clerk may or may not be a member of the Presbytery. The stated clerk shall be an advisory member of all Presbyterial boards and agencies and in this capacity, serve the Presbytery as liaison for planning and budgeting. The stated clerk must be bonded and may not disburse any funds without proper authorization from the Presbytery. The stated clerk shall reimburse members of boards and agencies at the official mileage rate allowed by the Internal Revenue Service, adjusting the rate on January 1st each year. Preliminary minutes, containing the agency reports and other relevant materials, shall be prepared by the stated clerk and sent to all ministers, probationers, and session clerks at least 15 days before stated meeting of Presbytery. All ministers, elder delegates, probationers, session clerks, agency members, CPWM officers, and other denominational entities who request them shall have electronic or paper copies of Presbytery minutes distributed to them. The minutes shall include a directory of ministers, probationers, church (with location), session clerks, agency personnel and the name of the church moderator for all churches without an ordained Cumberland Presbyterian pastor. Electronic copies shall be made available within 60 days from the stated meeting for those requesting that medium of distribution. Paper copies of minutes will be printed and mailed annually to include all meetings within that year.
- **3.40 RECORDING CLERK:** The recording clerk shall be elected for a three-year term and may serve additional terms. The recording clerk may or may not be a member of the Presbytery. The recording clerk shall record the minutes of the meetings and assist the stated clerk in preparing the minutes for printing.
- **3.50 TRUSTEES:** The members of the Board of Finance shall be the trustees for the Presbytery. The trustees shall be the legal agents of the Presbytery and shall act in that capacity when so directed by the Presbytery.

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## 4.00 AGENCIES

- **4.10 DATE, TIME, PLACE OF REGULAR MEETING:** All standing agencies of the Presbytery shall convene for their regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. six (6) Saturdays previous to the regular meeting of Presbytery, at the host church.
- **4.15 AGENCY RESPONSIBILITIES:** For agency responsibilities not covered in these standing rules, refer to the "Presbytery Manual of Operation," approved by the 1988 General Assembly, and published by the office of the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly.
- **MEMBERSHIP BALANCE:** In electing members to Presbyterial agencies, care should be taken to maintain approximately a fifty-fifty balance of ministers and laypersons. There should be an appropriate male/female ratio and a fair geographic representation.
- 4.25 REPORTS OF BOARDS AND AGENCIES: Reports of all boards and agencies shall be submitted to the stated clerk no later than four (4) Saturdays previous to the regular meeting of Presbytery.
- **4.30 BOARD OF MISSIONS:** The board shall consist of nine members in three staggered terms. The president of the Regional Cumberland Presbyterial Women's Ministry shall be an advisory member of this board.
- **4.31 TERM OF OFFICE:** The term of office shall be for three years, and members may not serve more than three consecutive terms.
- 4.32 **RESPONSIBILITIES:** The Presbyterial Fellowship and the Regional Cumberland Presbyterial Women's Ministry will be under the supervision of this board and shall channel their reports to the Presbytery through it. The board will maintain a file of all pastoral contracts, including both stated supply and installed relationships. The board will appoint moderators for all sessions not served by ordained Cumberland Presbyterian Ministers. For other responsibilities refer to the "Presbytery Manual of Operations," Section 5.25.
- 4.33 Any commission to install pastors must include at least one member from the Board of Missions.
- 4.34 Upon the closing of a church in Covenant Presbytery, the session clerk of the closed church is to be responsible to forward a complete membership roll of that congregation to the session clerk of the church specified to have the members attached to it.
- **4.35 BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** The board shall consist of nine members in three staggered terms.
- **4.36 TERMS OF OFFICE:** The term of office shall be three years, and members may not serve more than three consecutive terms.
- **4.37 RESPONSIBILITIES:** The board shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and conducting the Presbyterial camping program, including retreats and conferences for all ages.

The board oversees sponsoring the ongoing youth fellowship program in Covenant Presbytery and encouraging the youth programs in the local churches.

The entire Christian Education Program of the congregations of Covenant Presbytery should be of concern by the board as they plan workshops, seminars, etc. to assist and encourage the local churches.

- **4.40 BOARD OF FINANCE:** The Board of Finance shall consist of nine members in three staggered terms.
- **4.41 TERM OF OFFICE:** The term of office shall be for three years, and members may not serve more than three consecutive terms.
- **4.42 PRESBYTERY BUDGET:** The Presbytery budget shall be a percentage of the current income received by the churches to be equal to the proposed budget. Income is the total amount that is given through the church and Sunday school treasuries. Exemptions are:
  - 1. Money raised by the Youth Fellowship, CPWM, Men's Fellowship, and other auxiliaries of the church.
  - 2. Memorial gifts.
  - 3. Money that is borrowed by the church.
  - 4. Gifts that are designated by the donor for a specific purpose such as the purchase of an organ.
  - 5. Building fund money that goes toward the erection of a new sanctuary, church addition, or manse.

Regular maintenance that does not produce additional space, including remodeling, is not exempt.

Churches shall remit payments on apportionments to Presbytery on a monthly basis. Churches experiencing circumstances preventing timely payment of assigned percentage, shall contact the Board of Finance for possible assistance and to allow the board sufficient information for planning purposes.

- **4.42.1 COVENANT PRESBYTERY NEW CHURCH DEVELOPMENT FUND:** This fund shall receive all proceeds from property sold by Covenant Presbytery. Expenditures from this fund shall be restricted to grants made to official NCD projects within Covenant Presbytery for the purpose of purchasing property and/or building programs. Available funds in the account, not in immediate need, may be loaned as an "on demand loan" to congregations within Covenant Presbytery for building and/or remodeling.
- **4.43 RESPONSIBILITIES:** The Board of Finance and their successors in office shall be the trustees of the Presbytery.

The board shall encourage the churches to give full support to the Presbytery and Synod budget and the Denominational "Our United Outreach" (OUO).

The board, in cooperation with the Board of Christian Education and the Board of Missions, shall plan, publicize, and implement seminars on stewardship, and utilize other means to develop good stewardship practices within the congregations of the Presbytery.

The board shall be the agency responsible for the maintenance of the Presbytery's physical assets such as real estate, office equipment, etc.

The board shall oversee the program of ministerial aid to needy ministers and minister's widows.

The board shall receive the proposed budgets of the other agencies, amending them as necessary, and submitting one unified budget to the Presbytery for action.

The board shall receive loan applications from churches in the Presbytery, making recommendation to the Presbytery concerning these requests.

All requests to the Presbytery for additional funding beyond the approved annual budget shall be directed to the Board of Finance for review, determination, and recommendation to Presbytery at any subsequent meeting.

(In an emergency the Board of Finance shall be endowed with the authority and responsibility of funding from surplus funds, the needs created by any such emergency. — action of Presbytery 4/7/01)

- 4.45 <u>COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY:</u> The committee shall consist of nine members in three staggered terms. The committee shall include both ministers and laypersons with at least two members being elders.
- **4.46 TERM OF OFFICE:** The term of office shall be three years, and members may not serve more than three consecutive terms.
- **RESPONSIBILITIES:** The committee shall direct and nurture persons in preparation for the ministry. Those considering becoming candidates for the ministry shall be interviewed by the committee prior to their appearance before the Presbytery.

The committee also has responsibilities relating to the persons and ministries of the ordained ministers of the presbytery.

Any contractual pastoral relationship in Covenant Presbytery who is not an ordained CP minister or who is not an approved candidate for CP ministry should meet with and /or communicate with the COM prior to filling the pulpit.

There is an extensive description of the duties and responsibilities of the Committee on Ministry in the "Presbytery Manual of Operation," Section 5.4.

- **4.50 JUDICIARY COMMITTEE:** The committee shall consist of nine members in three staggered terms.
- **4.51 TERM OF OFFICE:** The term of office shall be three years, and members may not serve more than three consecutive terms.
- **RESPONSIBILITIES:** The committee shall review annually the session records of the churches and report its findings and recommendations to the presbytery. The session clerks shall send the session records for the previous year (or a certified copy) to the Judiciary Committee at the time and place specified by said committee.

The committee shall study all questions coming before the presbytery by appeal, dissent, or protest, and advise the presbytery on their legal and constitutional aspects. The committee shall make rulings on such judicial questions as are referred to it.

The committee shall impose discipline when a minister acknowledges to the Judiciary Committee an error or offense and consents to the discipline proposed by the committee. If the minister acknowledges the error or offense, but does not consent to the discipline, the Judiciary Committee must refer the matter back to the Disciplinary Commission.

The committee shall hold a hearing (following the directions set forth by the General Assembly) to determine guilt and, if appropriate, impose discipline in those cases where the minister does not acknowledge guilt and consent to discipline. The committee shall report its actions to presbytery. (This is a report only, not a recommendation to be voted upon by presbytery.)

The committee shall conduct a supplemental hearing upon a minister's request if new evidence is discovered. After a hearing, the committee may restore a minister who has been suspended or deposed if he or she meets the criteria of Rule 3.415.

The committee will hear and decide appeals from sessions under the presbytery's jurisdiction, and give a report of appeals to the presbytery.

- **4.55 HERITAGE COMMITTEE:** This committee has been dissolved and will be reactivated if the need arises.
- **4.60** COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS: The committee shall be composed of six (6) members in three staggered terms.
- 4.61 TERM OF OFFICE: The term of office shall be three years and members will not be eligible to succeed themselves. Members of this committee may NOT serve on the Permanent Nominating Committee and other agencies concurrently. Members of this committee shall not be consecutively nominated to another agency. A member appointed or elected to fill the unexpired term of another person shall be eligible to serve a three-year term after completion of the unexpired term. The members should include at least one (1) minister and two (2) lay persons.
- 4.62 RESPONSIBILITIES: The committee shall make nominations to the October meeting of Presbytery: names to fill all vacancies on Presbyterial agencies, commissioners to General Assembly and their alternates, youth delegates to General Assembly and the alternate, delegates to Synod and their alternates, and youth delegates to the Cumberland Presbyterian Youth Conference (CPYC) and their alternate.

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  - The Committee on Nominations should be especially sensitive to the need for including fair representation on all agencies and in all positions. (See standing rule 4.20.)
- 4.63 COMMISSIONERS TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND DELEGATES TO SYNOD: Election of General Assembly commissioners: The Presbytery shall elect one minister commissioner and one elder commissioner for every 1,250 active members on its roll as its commissioners to General Assembly. See Section 9.2 of the Cumberland Presbyterian Constitution.

The election of commissioners to General Assembly will be as follows: three (3) commissioners on the part of the ministry and three (3) commissioners on the part of the elders shall be elected. Three (3) ministers and three elders shall be elected and listed in a 1, 2, 3 order to serve as alternate commissioners in the event any of the principle commissioners are unable to attend General Assembly.

The election of delegates to Synod will be as follows: three (3) delegates on the part of the ministry and three (3) delegates on the part of the elders shall be elected. Three (3) ministers and three (3) elders shall be elected and listed in a 1, 2, 3 order to serve as alternate delegates in the event any of the principle delegates are unable to attend Synod.

Reports from the commissioners to General Assembly and the delegates to Synod shall be given at the fall meeting of Presbytery.

- **4.65 DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION:** The commission shall be composed of five (5) members elected on staggered terms.
- **4.66 TERM OF OFFICE:** The term of office shall be three years, and members may not serve more than three consecutive terms.

**4.67 RESPONSIBILITES:** The commission shall receive complaints made in writing from the victim or a person with reliable and compelling information or from the stated clerk of presbytery who has received the written complaint from one of the above persons.

The commission shall conduct an appropriate investigation of any written complaint. The commission shall not decide innocence or guilt. They investigate to determine if there is enough evidence for a hearing.

If the Disciplinary Commission, upon investigation, finds no basis for the charges, it shall close the matter and report that action to the accused, the complainant, and the Judiciary Committee.

If the commission finds that there are grounds to believe that an offense was committed by the accused, and the accused acknowledges the error or offense and gives evidence of a sincere effort to correct the matter, the commission shall so report to the Judiciary Committee and recommend appropriate disciplinary action.

If, upon investigation, the Disciplinary Commission determines that "there are grounds to believe that an offense was committed by the accused," they will refer the matter for a hearing before the Judiciary Committee. At this time, the commission should (1) appoint 1-3 members to represent the Disciplinary Commission in the hearing process (2) make a complete report of the investigation to the Judiciary Committee.

If the charges concern matters of potentially serious consequences, the Disciplinary Commission may at any time place limitations on the person's ministry or suspend the person from any position of ministry until the conclusion of the hearing and of any appeals.

If necessary, the Disciplinary Commission may appeal a disciplinary decision of the Judiciary Committee.

The commission may informally counsel a minister if there is an unwritten complaint against him or her.

# 4.70 <u>INSURANCE COMMISSION:</u>

- 4.71 TERM OF OFFICE:
- **4.72 RESPONSIBILITES:** The commission shall deal with all presbyterial insurance needs and transactions including pastoral insurance.

#### **5.00 OPERATING GUIDELINES**

- 5.10 FINANCIAL REPORT: The treasurer shall prepare a detailed annual report at the end of each fiscal year (calendar year), quarterly reports during the fiscal year, and such supplemental reports as the agencies of the Presbytery may need. The treasurer shall present the financial reports for an annual audit by a three-person audit committee appointed by the Board of Finance each year.
- 5.20 MEMORIAL ROLL: A memorial roll of deceased ministers and elders shall be carried in the Presbytery minutes each year. The stated clerk shall purchase a one-hundred-dollar Patron Membership in Theological Education in the name of each deceased minister. Also, the same patron membership is to be purchased for each deceased elder who has served as moderator of Covenant Presbytery. The certificates for the patron memberships shall be presented to the families of the deceased (or representative of the family) at the next regular meeting of Presbytery.
- **5.30 PRESBYTERY YEAR:** The Presbytery year shall follow the calendar year, January 1 through December 31.
- **5.40 NEW BUSINESS:** All resolutions, memorials, and other items of new business must be presented prior to the noon recess of the meeting of Presbytery.
- **5.50 CONDUCT OF MEETINGS:** All meetings of the Presbytery shall be conducted according to the Rules of Order of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Any case not covered by these rules shall be governed by the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order.
- **5.60 INFORMATION REPORT:** A form for churches to submit information needed by the agencies of the Presbytery will be available at the April meeting each year. The session clerk shall send this information to the stated clerk's office by August 1<sup>st</sup> each year.

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**MOD: Robert Goodman** 

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**PA: Dennis Weaver** 

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SS: Danny York

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**MOD: Nick Ashley** 

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SS: Kevin Barkley MOD: R. B. Mays

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Pastor = PA

Associate Pastor = AP

Stated Supply = SS

Interim Pastor = IN

Other Denomination = OD

# **Church Locations**

Bayou de Chine – 21/4 miles southeast of Water Valley, turn at warning light.

**Benton** - At Purchase Parkway exit 41 go south onto Highway 641 spur for ¼ mile. Take Highway 58 East ½ mile to church at corner West Oaks Subdivision.

Bethel - 4.5 miles west of U.S. 62 on KY 286, Kevil, KY.

Calvary - 1.1 miles west of U.S. 45 on KY Highway 58, Mayfield, KY.

**Camp Ground** - Union County, Illinois, at the intersection of Road 146 and Interstate 57, go approximately ¼ mile west. Turn north (right) onto Camp Ground Road for 1 mile.

Chandler - 338 South State Street, Chandler, IN 47610

Ebenezer - Thompsonville, IL.

Flat Lick - 8 miles south of Hopkinsville on State Route 107, Hopkinsville, KY.

Fredonia – Highway 641 South, Fredonia, KY.

Gilead - Go 8 miles from Vienna on Route 147 to Simpson, IL.

**Good Spring** - From Fredonia, 3.5 miles east, turn right at sign, one mile to church, Princeton, KY.

Highland - 1 mile west of U. S. 45 on Highway 1322 Lovelaceville Road, Paducah, KY.

Hopewell - Highway 133, Lola, KY. Five miles from Highway 60 in Salem, KY.

**Hopkinsville** – From 124, take exit 65 and turn left onto Hopkinsville Road/Cadiz Road. Turn right on Old Major Lane, left at Canton Pike, right onto Country Club Lane, and left onto Faircourt Street.

*Liberty* - From Hwy. 68 in Aurora, take Hwy. 94, 4.5 miles toward Murray. Turn left on Hwy. 1346.

Lisman - 2085 State Route 270 West, Clay, KY.

Macedonia - Highway 291, Dalton, KY.

Madisonville – 1540 Anton Road, Highway 85 East

*Marion* - South of West Bellville Street about a block from courthouse.

*Milburn Chapel* – 3760 Metropolis Lake Road, West Paducah, KY 42086.

Mt. Carmel - 1.5 miles southeast of Highway 62 on Highway 813, White Plains, KY.

*Mt. Pleasant* - Sullivan, KY, off KY 109.

# **Church Locations (continued)**

Mt. Sterling - 5 miles east of Brookport, IL, then 1¼ miles north of Unionville.

Mt. Zion - 4.5 miles east of Dongola, IL, - 1150 Mt. Zion Road.

New Hope - 7620 Cross Mill Road, Paducah, KY.

North Pleasant Grove - Off 121 North, Murray, KY.

Oak Grove - 1.1 miles south of KY Highway 80, 3.3 miles west of U.S. 641, Benton, KY.

Oak Grove Union - 6.5 miles south of Clay, KY, on Highway 132.

Oakland – 9110 U.S. 68 West, Calvert City, KY 42029. Take Exit 16 on I24. If going toward Paducah, turn left. If coming from Paducah, turn right. The church is 2.5 miles on the left.

**Piney Fork** - From Marion, KY, on South Main go to East Depot Street (Highway 506) 7 miles from Marion, KY.

Pleasant Valley - 3 miles north of Bandana, KY.

**Providence (Kentucky)** - Take East Main Street to South Willow. Turn right to Locust. Turn left on Locust.

**Rose Creek** - From Nebo, KY, go south on Highway 502 to Highway 1034, turn west (right). The church is a short distance on the right.

Rozzell Chapel - 5 miles west of Mayfield off KY Highway 80, 1258 Rozzell Chapel Road.

Sturgis - 504 North Main Street, (on U.S. 60) Sturgis, KY.

**Sugar Grove** - South Highway 120, 7 miles east of Marion, KY, Sugar Grove Church sign on the right. 585 Sugar Grove Church Road, Marion, KY 42064

Union Chapel - 2210 Droit Road, Galatia, IL.

 $Unity-\frac{1}{2}$  mile north of KY Highway 402, 6.1 miles east of U.S. Highway 641, Hardin, KY.

*Village* – 5 miles southeast of Norris City, IL, in White County.

**Wheatcroft** - From Providence, Highway 109 North to Wheatcroft. Church is 2 blocks off 109 to the left.

Woodlawn - 3402 Old Benton Road, P.O. Box 3210, Paducah, KY.

# **Boards and Agencies**

(January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025)

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These are the minutes of the March 15, 2025, meeting of Covenant Presbytery.

Moderator

Stated Clerk

# Minutes

# Covenant Presbytery – March 15, 2025 Meeting at Milburn Chapel CPC, West Paducah, KY

**Opening:** Moderator Bobby Spurling opened this meeting of presbytery and welcomed everyone.

Opening Prayer: Rev. Curtis Franklin prayed the opening prayer.

**Moderator's Devotion:** Moderator Bobby Spurling spoke from Mark 7 on doctrine vs. tradition. Don't confuse the two and run people away or quench the Spirit because of tradition. Stay strong on the Bible but loose on tradition.

**Communion:** Rev. Larry Buchanan presided over the Lord's Supper.

Those Assisting:

Elder Michael Hardesty (Sturgis)
Elder Rudy Fowler (Fredonia)
Elder Lee Glisson (Milburn)
Elder Katherine Wood (Sugar Grove)

Call to Order: Covenant Presbytery was called to order by Moderator Bobby Spurling.

**Report of Credentials Committee:** The Credentials Committee consisted of Rev. Bernice Belt, Rev. Bud Russell, and the Milburn Chapel elder. Rev. Bernice gave the report of the Credentials Committee with an enrollment of 23 ministers, 21 elders, and 3 probationers.

Motion: A motion was made and seconded to concur in the report. The motion passed, and a record of the enrollment was filed as Appendix A.

**Quorum Declared:** The moderator declared a quorum was present, and Covenant Presbytery was ready to conduct business.

Constituting Prayer: Rev. Bud Russell led the presbytery in the constituting prayer.

# Adoption of the Agenda:

Motion: A motion was made to adopt the agenda as the order of the day with changing the time for lunch break from noon to 11:00 a.m. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Election of Moderator:** Moderator Spurling declared the floor open for the nomination of person(s) to serve as moderator for this meeting of Covenant Presbytery. The following person was nominated:

# 1. Rev. Joseph Stephenson

# *Motion:* A motion was made to cease nominations and proceed to elect. The motion was seconded and passed.

The moderator called for the vote, and Rev. Stephenson was elected as moderator of Covenant Presbytery.

**Election of Vice-Moderator:** Moderator Stephenson declared the floor open for the nomination of person(s) to serve as vice-moderator for this meeting of Covenant Presbytery. The following person was nominated:

#### 1. Rev. Brad Henson

# *Motion:* A motion was made to cease nominations and proceed to elect. The motion was seconded and passed.

The moderator called for the vote, and Rev. Henson was elected as vice-moderator of Covenant Presbytery.

**Welcome:** Rev. Buchanan gave words of welcome to the presbytery from Milburn Chapel CPC and made appropriate announcements.

Seating of Advisory Members: There were none.

# **Recognition of First Time Elder Delegates:**

- I. Lee Glisson, Milburn Chapel
- 2. Michael Hardesty, Sturgis
- 3. Matthew Taylor, Unity
- 4. Katherine Wood, Sugar Grove
- 5. Patsy Dotson, New Hope
- 6. Albert Russell, Hopkinsville
- 7. Devan Gaffy, Bethel
- 8. Jeanne Clayton, Gilead

# Reading of Communications: The clerk presented the following communications:

1. Excuses were received.

*Motion:* A motion was made, seconded, and passed to refer these to the Overtures and Resolutions Committee.

- 2. Letter from Rev. Becky Zahrte announcing Symposium is November 6-8, 2025, at Chattanooga CPC.
- 3. Thank you card from Mary Katherine Rudolph.
- 4. Letter from Rev. Jesse Thornton requesting dismission to Nashville Presbytery and resigning from his positions.

Motion: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to grant Rev. Thornton's letter in good standing and remove his name from the roll of ministers. **Announcements:** The clerk made the following announcements:

1. Items found on the clerk's table and credential's table were announced.

**Presentations:** The clerk presented an engraved thank you gavel to retiring moderator, Rev. Bobby Spurling.

# Recess (15 minutes)

The moderator called the presbytery to order at 10:05 a.m.

# **Denominational Representatives:**

1. Chris Fleming – Ministry Council

# Presentation of Memorials, Resolutions, and Other New Business:

There were none.

# **Presbyterial Business:**

Committee on Winistry Report: The report was presented by Rev. Larry Buchanan.

# *Motion:* A motion was made and seconded that the report be concurred in, and its recommendation adopted.

Candidate Mason Scroggins came forward.

Questions were asked and answered, and some spoke on his behalf.

During the questioning time, Rev. Henson took over the moderator duties so Rev. Stephenson could ask a question. Following the question, Rev. Stephenson resumed moderator duties.

# Questions: Questions were called for, seconded, and approved.

Questions from the *Confession of Faith* were asked and answered in the affirmative.

# The original motion carried.

Rev. Bernice Belt prayed over Lic. Scroggins.

Rev. Buchanan read the charge from the Confession of Faith.

The report was marked Appendix B and filed.

**Noon Recess:** The presbytery recessed for lunch as voted on at 11:00 a.m. instead of noon. Rev. Joe Stephenson asked the blessing for the food.

Moderator Stephenson called the presbytery to order at 12:05 p.m.

**Devotional:** The afternoon devotional was given by Candidate Jake Davidson. He spoke from 1 Timothy 4:12 and 2 Timothy 4:1-2.

**Intercessory Prayer:** A list of names was given from members of the body for inclusion in the prayer of intercession. Rev. Phillip Brown led the presbytery in prayer.

**Resume Presbyterial Business:** Presbyterial business was resumed at the point where the lunch recess occurred.

# **Permanent Nominating Committee Report:**

The report was presented by Rev. Joe Vance. Cherry Mitchell was added to the report for the Judiciary Committee. Rev. Greg Cain, Rev. Bernice Belt, and Rev. Marc Bell were added as minister alternates to General Assembly. Elder Albert Russell was added as an elder to General Assembly. Elder Rudy Fowler, Elder Brenda Shoulta, and Elder Mike Hennelsen were added as elder alternates to General Assembly. Rev. Greg Cain was struck as delegate to synod and replaced by Rev. Cherry Mitchell. Rev. Joseph Stephenson was added to ministers for synod. Rev. Phillip Brown, Rev. Greg Cain, and Rev. Nick Ashley were added as minister alternates to synod. Elder Eddie Rushing, Elder Brenda Shoulta, and Elder Loucinda Graulich were added as elders to synod. Elder Matthew Taylor, Elder Mick Alexander, and Elder Michael Hardesty were added as synod alternates. Ella was struck and replaced with John, her brother, for YAD.

The floor was open for nominations.

*Motion:* A motion was made, seconded, and passed to cease nominations and elect.

*Motion:* A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adopt the recommendation and elect those people nominated in the PNC report as amended to their respective positions and concur in the report.

The report was marked Appendix C and filed.

Stated Clerk's Report: The report was presented by Reese Baker.

*Motion:* A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the report be concurred in.

The report was marked Appendix D and filed.

**Board of Christian Education Report:** The report was presented by Wendy Weaver.

*Motion:* A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the report be concurred in.

The report was marked *Appendix E* and filed.

Board of Finance Report: The report was given by Rev. Curtis Franklin.

*Motion:* A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the report be concurred in, and its recommendation adopted.

The report was marked *Appendix F* and filed.

Board of Missions Report: The report was presented by Rev. Marc Bell.

*Motion:* A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the report be concurred in, and its recommendations adopted.

The report was marked Appendix G and filed.

**Board of Missions Supplemental Report:** The report was presented by Rev. Marc Bell.

*Motion:* A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the report be concurred in, and its recommendation adopted.

The report was marked *Appendix H* and filed.

**Overtures and Resolutions Committee:** The report was presented by Rev. Elizabeth Spann

*Motion:* A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the report be concurred in, and its recommendations adopted.

The report was marked Appendix I and filed.

Invitations to Host the September 20, 2025, Meeting of Covenant **Presbytery:** An invitation was extended by the Flat Lick congregation.

*Motion:* A motion was made, seconded, and passed to have the fall 2025 meeting of Covenant Presbytery at Flat Lick CPC.

#### Other Business/Announcements:

Moderator Joseph Stephenson appointed Rev. Larry Buchanan to the Committee of Like-Minded Presbyteries to replace Rev. Jesse Thornton.

*Motion:* A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve Rev. Buchanan's appointment to the committee.

**Reading and Approving of Winutes:** The minutes of the meeting were read by the recording clerk, Susan Baker.

*Motion:* A motion was made, seconded, and passed approve the minutes.

**Final Roll Call:** The final roll call cards were collected and placed on the clerk's table with the record of this roll call being included in *Appendix A*.

# Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn and meet at Flat Lick CPC on September 20, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

**Closing Prayer and Benediction:** The moderator recognized Rev. Bernice Belt who led the presbytery in the closing prayer.

# Appendix A Credentials Committee Report (Roll Call)

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Minister	Open	Close
Nick Ashley	P	P
Marc Bell	P	P
Bernice Belt	P	P
Philip Brown	P	P
Larry Buchanan	P	P
Greg Cain	P	P
Donna Davenport	P	P
Fred Fahl	P	P
Chris Fleming	P	
Curtis Franklin	P	P
James Fulton	E*	E*
Robert Goodman	P	E
Drew Gray	P	E
Brian Hayes	A	A
Jason Heidel	A	A
Brad Henson	P	P
Daniel Hopkins	A	A
Wayne Hopkins	P	P
Douglas Hughes	P	
Roman Lambert	P	P
James Lawson	A	Α .
David LeNeave	E	E
Randy Lowe	A	A
Ronald Mays	P	P
Cherry Mitchell	P	P
Troy Newcomb	E	E
Wendell Ordway	E*	E*
Bud Russell	P	P
Jim Smith	E	E
Elizabeth Spann	P	P
Robert Spurling	P	P
Joseph Stephenson	P	P
Dee Ann Thompson	A	A
Jesse Thornton	LO	P
Gary Vacca	E	E
Joe Yance	P	P
April Watson	A	A
Dennis Weaver	P	P
Jack Wieland	A	A
Dale Williams	A	A
Danny York	A	A
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Licentiates	<b>O</b> pen	Close
Dyllan Simmons	P	P
Mason Scroggins	P	P
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Candidates	<b>O</b> pen	Close
Jake Davidson	P	P
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P = Present

A = Absent

E = Excused

E\* = Permanently Excused

R = Received

LI = Lettered In

LO = Lettered Out

D = Dropped

## **Roll Call of Churches & Fellowship**

Church	Delegate	Орен	Close
Bayou de Chine		A	A
Benton		A	A
Bethel	Devan Gaffy	P	E
Calvary		A	A
Camp Ground		A	A
Chandler	Loucinda Graulich	P	P
Ebenezer		A	Α
Flat Lick	Darline Osteen	P	P
Fredonia	Rudy Fowler	P	P
Gilead	Jeanne Clayton	P	
Good Spring		A	A
Highland	Elaine Overton	P	
Hopewell	Michael Heneisen	P	P
Hopkinsville	Albert Russell	P	P
<i>Liberty</i>		E	E
Lisman		A	A
Macedonia		A	A
Madisonville		A	A
Marion	Mickey Alexander	P	P
Milburn Chapel	Lee Glisson	P	P
Mount Carmel	Brenda Shoulta	P	P
Mount Pleasant		E	E
Mount Sterling	Don Koch	P	P
Mount Zion	Don Rook	A	A
New Hope	Patsy Dotson	P	P
Oak Grove	Kenneth Bucy	P	P
Oak Grove Union	Remett Buej	A	$ \frac{1}{A}$
Oakland		A	A
	Ercel Rushing	P	P
Piney Fork Pleasant Valley	Ercer Rusning	A	A
	Michael Thorp	P	P
Rose Creek	William Clapp	P	P
Rozzell Chapel	Michael Hardesty	P	P
Sturyis C.	Katie Wood	P	P
Sugar Grove	Natie Wood		
Union Chapel	M-44 To-star	A	A   P
Unity	Matthew Taylor	P	P
Village	William Morris	P	
Wheatcroft	701	E	E
Woodlawn	Tim Threatt	P	P

# Appendix B Committee on Ministry Report

To: Covenant Presbytery in session with Milburn Chapel, March 15, 2025.

Your Committee on Ministry submits the following report and recommendation:

Candidate Mason Scroggins met with the Committee on Ministry. Mason continues his Master of Divinity studies at Knox Theological Seminary and is on track to graduate this spring. He continues to serve as stated supply at the Village C P Church. The Committee on Ministry examined Mason and believes that he exhibits the qualities and abilities that are appropriate at this time in his preparation for the ministry, as he continues to grow in his personal spiritual walk, his understanding of the scriptures, and theology. The Committee on Ministry makes the following recommendation:

Recommendation #1: The Committee on Ministry recommends that Candidate Mason Scroggins be approved as a Licentiate by Covenant Presbytery.

### Updates on Our Candidates for Ministry

**Dyllan Simmons** – Licentiate Dyllan Simmons continues his Master of Divinity studies at Westminster Theological Seminary, as well as continuing to serve as stated supply at Waverly/Mariah C P Church.

Jake Davidson – Jake continues his studies at Bethel University while also participating in a work/study with the chaplaincy program. He has been speaking at several churches in our presbytery, as well as in the West Tennessee area. Jake will be traveling to Guatemala this summer for a mission trip work/study.

Respectfully submitted,
Covenant Presbytery Committee on Ministry

# Appendix CPermanent Nominating Committee Report

To: Covenant Presbytery in session with Milburn Chapel, March 15, 2025.

The Permanent Nominating Committee submits the following report and recommendation:

The Permanent Nominating Committee met in person at Milburn Chapel Cumberland Presbyterian Church on January 18, 2025, with the following members in attendance: Rev. Joe Vance, Rev. Roman Lambert, and Vicky Cain.

Those not in attendance were Rev. Troy Newcomb, Gary Goin, and Brenda Shoulta.

The opening prayer was led by Rev. Joe Vance.

At the time of printing, these are the circumstances. We are still working on replacing Rev Jesse Thornton on the judiciary committee. We also need 3 minister alternates to GA along with one elder and 3 elder alternates. In addition, we need one more minister delegate to synod along with 3 minister alternates, 3 elders, and 3 elder alternates.

The Permanent Nominating Committee submits the following names for nominations to the boards, committees, and positions of Covenant Presbytery.

### JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Rev. Cherry Mitchell, P.O. Box 64, Nebo, KY 42441

(270) 836-6229

### COMMISSIONERS TO 2025 GENERAL ASSEMBLY June 15-20, 2025 Knoxville, TN

### On the Part of the Ministry

Rev. Curtis Franklin, 510 North Main, Sturgis, KY 42459	(270) 625-1898
Rev. Larry Buchanan, 466 North County Line Rd, Calvert City, KY 42029	(270) 519-9292
Rev. Elizabeth Spann, 180 Saddle Creek Dr., Paducah, KY 42001	(865) 255-4426
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### **Minister Alternates**

Rev. Greg Cain, 6918 KY 120, Marion, KY 42064	(270) 245-4013
Rev. Bernice Belt, 345 Jolee Way, Paducah, KY 42001	(270) 217 4623
Rev. Marc Bell, 204 West Pierson Street, Fredonia, KY 42411	(270) 438-6400

### On the Part of the Elders

Mike Hardesty (Sturgis), 1215 N. Adams St., Sturgis, KY 42459	(270) 952-1528
Laura DeHart, (Highland) 275 North Gum Springs Rd., Paducah, KY 42001	(270) 217-0424
Albert Russell (Hopkinsville), 2701 Fairmont St., Hopkinsville, KY 42240	(270) 339-3605

### **Elder Alternates**

Rudy Fowler (Fredonia), 388 Lily Dale Rd, Marion, KY 42064 (270) 704-0179 Brenda Shoulta (Mt. Carmel), 11504 Mt. Carmel Rd, White Plains, KY 42464 (270) 676-3563 Michael Heneisen (Hopewell), 1162 Hampton Road, Salem, KY 42078

### <u>YAD</u>

Ella John DeHart (Highland), 275 North Gum Springs Rd, Paducah, KY 42001 (270) 217-0424 Maddie Stowell (New Hope), 696 Blandville Road, Wickliffe, KY 42087 (270) 201-8972

#### **SYNOD**

### Madisonville CPC, Madisonville, KY April 26, 2025

### On the Part of the Ministry

Rev. Bobby Spurling, 2701 Faircourt Street, Hopkinsville, KY 42240	(865) 803-8582
Rev. Greg Cain, 6918 KY 120, Marion, KY 42064	<del>(270) 245-4013</del>
Rev. Cherry Mitchell, P.O. Box 64, Nebo, KY 42441	(270) 836-6229
Joseph Stephenson, 122 East Cherry Street, Chandler, IN 47610	(812) 549-1145

### **Minister Alternates**

Rev. Phillip Brown, 580 Mt. Pisgah Road, Dongola, IL 62926	(618) 697-0972
Rev. Greg Cain, 6918 KY 120, Marion, KY 42064	(270) 245-4013
Rev. Nick Ashley, 580 Mt. Pisgah Road, Dongola, IL 62926	(618) 697-0972

### On the Part of the Elders

Eddie Rushing (Piney Fork), 7550 SR 506, Marion, KY 42064 Brenda Shoulta (Mt. Carmel), 11504 Mt. Carmel Rd, White Plains, KY 42464 (270) 676-3563 Loucinda Gaulich (Chandler), 388 S. State St., Chandler, IN

### **Elder Alternates**

Matthew Taylor (Unity), 11665 E. Unity Church Rd,, Hardin, KY 42025
Mick Alexnder (Marion)
Mike Hardesty (Sturgis), 1215 N. Adams St., Sturgis, KY 42459 (270) 952-1528

<u>Recommendation #1</u>: That the above names be elected to the respective boards, agencies, and positions of Covenant Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted, Permanent Nominating Committee

# Appendix D Stated Clerk's Report

To: Covenant Presbytery in session with Milburn Chapel, March 15, 2025.

The stated clerk submits the following report:

We are missing contact information for Carol Stacey, Danielle Coleman, and Mike Golightly. If you can assist in getting contact information for any one of these people, it would be appreciated.

Just a reminder that you can access Covenant Presbytery website with the minutes at covenantpresbytery.com.

Following are the financial reports for 2024. May God bless each of you, your families, and your churches!

Respectfully submitted, Reese Baker, Stated Clerk

## Cash Flow - Last year 1/1/2024 through 12/31/2024

Category	1/1/2024- 12/31/2024
INCL OWG	
INFLOWS	
1000 - Transfer	774.00
1004 - CROSS	771.80
1008 - Mary Ann Walton	1,042.92
1011 - Loan Repay	11,598.20
1015 - Minister's Disability Ins	2,399.31
1020 - Widow's Fund	4,100.00
1055 - Reimb CE Background	336.70
TOTAL 1000 - Transfer	20,248.93
1100 - Apportionment	201,042.39
1200 - Minister Health Ins	3,380.52
1250 - Dental & Vision	1,171.00
1625 - Legal Fees	3,197.35
1650 - Galatia Payment	6,547.64
1700 - Refund	2,774.19
1955 - Money From Closed Church	55,427.65
TOTAL INFLOWS	293,789.67
OUTFLOWS	
2100 - Board of Christian Ed	
2105 - Bethel Scholarship	3,500.00
2115 - Camps	32,065.60
2120 - Committee Travel	296.14
2125 - Youth Retreat	6,872.41
2140 - Background Safety Checks	653.45
2145 - Storage Unit	939.53
TOTAL 2100 - Board of Christian Ed	44,327.13
2200 - Board of Finance	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
2205 - Presbytery Host Church	400.00
2230 - Deceased Minister's Spouse	7,200.00
TOTAL 2200 - Board of Finance	7,600.00
2500 - Board of Missions	7,000,00
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2520 - Committee Travel  TOTAL 2500 - Board of Missions	361.80
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2600 - Committee On Ministry	0.040.00
2605 - Probationers	8,340.00
2610 - Ministers Care	412.80
TOTAL 2600 - Committee On Minis	8,752.80
2800 - Insurance Commission	
2805 - Pastor's Health Insurance	39,203.46
2810 - Medicare Supplement	3,600.00
2840 - Presbytery Insurance	2,600.00
.TOTAL 2800 - Insurance Commissi 2900 - Stated Clerk	45,403.46
2905 - Stated Clerk - Treasurer Sal	6,349.56
	3,300.00
2910 - Secretary Salary	450.00
2915 - Recording Clerk Salary	2,995.68
2919 - Office Equipment	6,466.92
2920 - Postage & Supplies 2922 - Incorporation	100.00
2922 - incorporation	100,00

## Cash Flow - Last year 1/1/2024 through 12/31/2024

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Category	1/1/2024- 12/31/2024
2925 - Copy Machine Contract	643.62
2945 - Synod Apportionment	1,200.00
2950 - G. A. Commissioners	24,302.28
. 2955 - G.A. Youth Delegates	1,788.37
2970 - Mileage	722.26
2975 - Miscellaneous	25.36
2991 - Grace Covenant	10,728.57
2992 - Vaughn's Chapel	3,056.95
TOTAL 2900 - Stated Clerk	62,129.57
3000 - Money Transfer	
3010 - Mary Ann Walton Trust	1,042.92
3015 - Long Term Disability Ins	2,292,31
3021 - CE Background Checks	336.70
3030 - R Milton Scholarship	500.00
3035 - Spouses Deceased Ministers	3,950.00
3071 - Loan	40,000.00
TOTAL 3000 - Money Transfer	48,121.93
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	216,696.69

OVERALL TOTAL

77,092.98

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### **CHURCH APPORTIONMENTS 2024**

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	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	IOIAI
Bayou de Ch	\$ 218.65	\$ 228,90	\$ 173,50	\$ 200.25	\$ 198.25	\$ 217.00	\$ 350.42	\$ 214.73	\$ 175.30	\$ 237.65	\$ 216.57	\$ 161.00	
Benton									_				
Bethel	\$ 330.41	\$ 330.41	\$ 330.99	\$ 340.99	\$ 3,40,99	\$ 340.99	\$ 330,40		\$ 330.40	\$ 330,40	\$ 330.40		
Calvary	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100,00	\$ 100,00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100,00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	
Camp Groun	\$ 233,00	\$ 235.00	\$ 344.00	\$ 170.00	\$ 154.00	\$ 284,00	\$ 126.00	\$ 283,00	\$ 304.00	\$ 159.00	\$ 151.00	\$ 333.00	
Chandler	\$ 709.23	\$ 869,12	\$ 1,111.01	\$ 803.44	\$ 745,92	\$ 953.26	\$ 814.24	\$ 1,460.22	\$ 1,000,16	\$ 808,79	\$ 728.18	\$ 1,061.40	
Ebenezer													
Flat Lick	\$ 490,00	\$ 468,00	\$ 1,769.00	\$ 434.00	\$ 361.00	\$ 726,00	\$ 1,828.00	\$ 428,00	\$ 606,00 ,	\$ 534,00	\$ 1,746.00	\$ 2,100.00	
Fredonia	\$ 1,312.63	\$ 1,376.53	\$ 1,703.53	\$ 1,572,43	\$ 1,280.43	\$ 2,101.42	\$ 1,529,43	\$ 1,285,01	\$ 1,549.00	\$ 1,733.01	\$ 1,661.01	\$ 3,102.42	
Gilead	\$ 616.00	\$ 504.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 681,00	\$ 517,00	\$ 542.00	\$ 668,00	\$ 511.00	\$ 494.00	\$ 508.00	\$ 540,00	\$ 611.00	
Good Spring	\$ 100,00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100,00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100,00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100,00	\$ 100,00		\$ 100.00	
Grace Cover	\$ 59.00	\$ 54,00	\$ 45.00	\$ 40.00			ļ				<u> </u>		
Highland	\$ 1,573.00	\$ 1,790.00	\$ 1,943.00	\$ 1,292,40	\$ 1,462.00	\$ 2,018.00	\$ 1,245.00	\$ 1,780.00	\$ 2,063.00	\$ 1,453.00	\$ 1,591.00	\$ 2,889.00	
Hopewell	\$ 264.80	\$ 277.00	\$ 268,00	\$ 245.00	\$ 186.00	\$ 246,00	\$ 228.00	\$ 234.00	\$ 293,00	\$ 301.00	\$ 336.00	\$ 306,00	
Hopkinsville	\$ 363,67	\$ 426,67	\$ 601.66	\$ 449.00	\$ 366.00	\$ 497.00	\$ 395.00	\$ 419,00	\$ 518,00	\$ 388,00	\$ 393.00	\$ 565,00	
Liberty	\$ 257.00	\$ 267.00	\$ 379,00	\$ 316,00	\$ 243,00	\$ 397.00	\$ 255,00	\$ 260,00	\$ 370.00	\$ 218.00	\$ 328.00	\$ 416.00	
Lisman	\$ 276.00	\$ 307.00	\$ 439,00	\$ 383.00	\$ 256.00	\$ 437.00	\$ 306,00	\$ 326,00	\$ 363.00	\$ 421.00	\$ 290,00	\$ 448.00	
Macedonla	\$ 260.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 237.00	\$ 236.00	\$ 176.00	\$ 339,00	\$ 204.00	\$ 230.00	\$ 246,00	\$ 222,00	\$ 216.00	\$ 329,00	
Madisonville	\$ 220,00	\$ 298.00	\$ 506.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 213,00	\$ 395.00	\$ 281.00	\$ 247.00	\$ 385.00	\$ 228,00	\$ 302,00	\$ 304.00	
Marion	\$ 608.00	\$ 736.00	\$ 458,00	\$ 690.00	\$ 412.32	\$ 514.00	\$ 702.00	\$ 469.00	\$ 669.00	\$ 599,00	\$ 470.00	\$ 687.00	
Milburn Cha	\$ 599.97	\$ 599,96	\$ 599.96	\$ 618,23	\$ 618,23	\$ 618.23	\$ 618.27	\$ 618.27	\$ 600.00	\$ 599.96	\$ 599,96	\$ 599,96	
Mt Carmel	\$ 103.00			\$ 108.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 146.00	\$ 98,00	\$ 106.00	\$ 116.00	\$ 91.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 112.00	j
Mt Pleasant		\$ 115,00	\$ 126.00		\$ 123,00		\$ 95.04	\$ 135,12					
Mt Sterling	\$ 728,00		\$ 1,115.00	\$ 890,00	\$ 724.00				\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,024.00	\$ 860,00	\$ 1,643.00	
Mt Zion	\$ 250.00		\$ 300.00		\$ 200.00					Î		1	
New Hope	\$ 1,009,00		\$ 1,170.00		i e								
	\$ 319,00	\$ 370.00	\$ 343.00	1	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·								
Oak Grove									\$ 246.00	\$ 222,00			
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Oakland	\$ 503,00	ì			1								
Piney Fork	\$ 255.76	\$ 376.88	\$ 466,66	\$ 223,00	\$ 300.00	\$ 406.00	\$ 352.00	\$ 309,00	\$ 280.00	\$ 279,00	\$ 201,00	\$ 391.00	
Pleasant Va		, 5		<u> </u>			<b>1</b>					£ 00.75	
Rose Creek					j .		***************************************						
Rozzell Cha	1						\$ 428.00						<del> </del>
Sturgls	\$ 1,471.00	\$ 890.00	\$ 1,376.00			\$ 1,004.00			\$ 1,079,00				
Sugar Grove	\$ 931.47	\$ 529.74		\$ 1,129.98	\$ 401.85	\$ 606,78	\$ 626,06	\$ 506.70				1	
Union Chap	a \$ 122,00	\$ 135,00	\$ 113.00	\$ 138,00	\$ 129,00	\$ 162.00	\$ 79.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 144.00	\$ 55,00	\$ 106.00	\$ 176.00	
Unity	\$ 452.00	\$ 404.00	\$ 479,00	\$ 459.00	\$ 465,00	\$ 528,00	\$ 371.00	\$ 469,00	\$ 458.00	\$ 623.00	\$ 563.00	\$ 469.00	<b></b>
Vaughn's Cl	\$ 204.00	\$ 84.00			<u> </u>				ļ	<u> </u>			
Village	\$ 460,00	\$ 430.00	\$ 748,00	\$ 432.00	\$ 551,00	\$ 772.00	\$ 481.00	\$ 457.00	\$ 553.00				
Wheatcroft	\$ 198.00	\$ 256,00	\$ 396.00	\$ 237,00	\$ 238.00	\$ 139.00	\$ 248.00	\$ 272.00	\$ 296,00	\$ 167.00	\$ 257.00	\$ 227.00	
Woodlawn	\$ 848,00	\$ 1,116.00	\$ 2,336,46	\$ 1,127.00	\$ 503.00	\$ 2,406.00	\$ 764.00	\$ 979.00	\$ 1,829.00	\$ 1,138.96	\$ 867.00	\$ 1,876,00	
Total	\$ 17,268,24	\$ 17,114.96	\$ 22,669.70	\$ 17,196.47	\$ 14,293.74	\$20,794.99	\$ 17,609.61	\$ 15,602.20	\$ 20,168.23	\$ 16,325.29	\$ 17,739.37	\$ 24,951.20	<b>\$</b> -

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## Appendix E

### **Board of Christian Education Report**

To: Covenant Presbytery in session with Milburn Chapel, March 15, 2025.

The Board of Christian Education submits the following report:

Members Present: Becky Weaver, Cindy Logan, Jenna Franklin, Laura DeHart,

Elizabeth Spann, Joe Stephenson, Wendy Weaver, and Bobby Spurling

Member Absent: Debbie Gordan

Opening Prayer: Elizabeth Spann

Scholarship Details: Jake Davidson and Mikee Buchanan were the two spring 2025

recipients.

#### Camp

### Camp Dates:

Senior High June 22-27, 2025 (Rev. Bobby Spurling & Rev. Elizabeth Spann) Junior/Junior High July 13-18, 2025 (Wendy Weaver, Jenna Franklin & Rev. Joe Stephenson)

Camp Cost: \$150 dollars for everyone whether a member of a CP church or not.

**Note:** Meal prices at Brandon Springs are going up a dollar per meal.

Camp Forms: Updated - combined junior and junior high Google forms

Camp Flyers: to be distributed at presbytery with QR code

Camp Themes:

Senior High: Salty and Lit: Being Salt and Light in the World.

Junior/ Junior High: Filters: Everything through God

Promo Video: Roman Lambert

**Promotion:** We decided to divide up the churches among our committee members and involved churches to reach out to churches not involved with camp to encourage more

children and youth to come to camp.

Cross Retreat: Nov 7- 9, 2025

A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the Board of Christian Education provide \$1,000 from our 2025 board budgeted money to Jake Davidson, Candidate of Covenant Presbytery, for a mission trip to Guatemala.

Closing Prayer: Joe Stephenson

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Christian Education, Wendy Weaver and Rev. Bobby Spurling

# Appendix F Board of Finance Report

To: Covenant Presbytery in session with Milburn Chapel, March 15, 2025.

The Board of Finance (BOF) submits the following report and recommendation:

The BOF received a financial request from the Woodlawn CP Church for the purpose of renovations in the amount of \$100,000. Presbyterial finances are in good shape, thus the BOF makes the following recommendation:

## Recommendation #1: That Covenant Presbytery loan Woodlawn CP Church \$100,000.

In other business, through our realtor (Vince Carter), we are currently under contract with an entity for the purchase of the Grace Covenant CP Church property at \$85,000. It is supposed to close on or around March 17<sup>th</sup>.

Regarding the sale of the Vaughn's Chapel property in Possum Trot, Kentucky, here is a report from the commission.

Re: Report from the Commission on Vaughn's Chapel Congregation & Property Spring Meeting, 2025

The Vaughn's Chapel congregation held its last worship service in February 2024. The members of the Vaughn's Chapel session at the time of closure have been very diligent to do all things in accordance with the polity of our church. The property has been listed with an agent that was approved by the Board of Finance and the session members. Though the church property has not sold, much has been done to prepare for an easy transfer when the time of sale occurs.

- 1) The property was surveyed, and the survey recorded in June 2024. The deed for the original property was a handwritten deed (which I still have in my possession) originally recorded in 1897. There was a second deed for the property where the parsonage is located that the surveyor was able to locate. We have good plats when property transfer occurs.
- 2) The process took the greater part of a month, but working with a Calvert City attorney, the session "elected" themselves at trustees of the church property (as deemed necessary by the attorney) on October 7 and transferred the deed to the property to Covenant Presbytery. The elders signed the deed transfer on November 18. The deed was recorded (upon return from the signature of Reese Baker) in late November. We have a clear deed for easy transfer when the property transfer occurs.
- 3) According to the lawyer, we had to have a fair market value analysis in order to record the deed. Our realtor provided that, and the value of the property was recorded at \$200,000. Though we know it is worth much more than that, we also know that it is ultimately only "worth" what someone will pay.
- 4) Unlike many churches that close, the Vaughn's Chapel congregation had a healthy bank account when this process began, and all expenses to this point have been paid by or paid with those funds. The yard was mowed and maintained in great shape by the neighbor's teenage son through the summer. Both buildings have been winterized. The

propane tanks ran empty, so we had them partially filled in the week of January 20. Though heat is not necessary, I have sought to keep a minimal amount of heat in order to keep the buildings from deteriorating quickly. After the tanks were filled, the unit at the parsonage (15 years old) was still not blowing heat on Sunday, January 26. The installer is scheduled to come this week, and make sure it is working properly (could possibly be a pilot light).

- 5) We had the final session meeting on Saturday, November 23 at the church. We gathered information on all members, and our information is that all have found church homes that are able to attend. Two are attending Oakland, and two are attending Marion First Church. The others seem to have found homes worshipping with family or closer to their homes. The remaining \$13,xxx in the treasury was sent to Reese Baker and entrusted to Covenant Presbytery. All utilities and insurance have been transferred to Covenant Presbytery. The propane expense was just over \$1,000.
- 6) Historical documents are at the church to transfer to the Historical Foundation. Susan Gore requested I contact her after I have all documents. We are still trying to obtain the session records from the last few years. The clerk has not been in good health, and the records have not been maintained in a ready format in recent years. I have asked for them as he has them, and I would retype them or rewrite them, but the clerk wants to finish what he considers his duty. He had surgery in early December, so we are still working to get those records.
- 7) The session requested that funds sent to presbytery be used to place a historical marker on the property. That has not been done, but that has been specified that in the listing.
- 8) We ran ads in the Paducah Sun for three consecutive weekends in the summer, listing the property at \$250,000 and received no contact from those. The realtor ran it in the regional catalog of homes. We had virtually no active contacts for about 6 months. We renewed the listing for 6 months and lowered the list price to \$200,000 in hopes to draw attention back to the property and to indicate we were open to negotiation. A realtor other than ours showed the property in November, but we heard nothing from them until Thursday, January 23. The realtor contacted our realtor to ask what they needed to do to make an offer, but we have not heard from them since. All we know about that person is that it is an investor who wanted to rent the building to congregations in transition.
- 9) Our realtor showed the property on Thursday, January 23 to Jason Runyon and his wife. They are a part of Abundant Life Church in that area. They said they have felt called to develop a mission for the purpose of helping those recovering from substance abuse and addiction. They said they just kept coming back to this property, and they are very interested. They met with a lawyer on Friday, January 24 for the purpose of trying to establish a 501(c)3 organization. We received a message from them on Thursday, January 30 that said, "We have the LLC established, and the tax info underway. We have spoken to a commercial lender. We are getting closer at least..." This sounds promising. They are very excited about the property, and the use of property in ministry would be our ultimate desire.

We will continue to work with these interested parties. Should an offer be made by one or someone else, we will contact the commission and, in conversation with the Board of Finance, will move forward with the transfer of the property. In His Service,

R.B. Mays

After RB submitted this report, he told me that the heat and air issues have been resolved. A big thank you to Bro. RB Mayes for his work on this matter.

Respectfully submitted, Board of Finance

# Appendix G Board of Missions Report

To: Covenant Presbytery in session with Milburn Chapel, March 15, 2025.

The Board of Missions submits the following report and recommendations:

The Board of Missions met in their regularly scheduled meeting at the Milburn Chapel Cumberland Presbyterian Church on February 1, 2025. Rev. Marc Bell led the opening prayer. Members present were Rev. Marc Bell, Rev. Nick Ashley, Rev. Robert Goodman, Rev. Greg Cain, Evan Cruce, Sidney Milton, Paula Bell, and Susan Beatty. Rev. R.B. Mays joined the meeting by phone.

Sugar Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church submitted a letter requesting that the pastoral relationship with Rev. Jesse Thornton be dissolved.

<u>Recommendation #1</u>: That the pastoral relationship between Rev. Jesse Thornton and the Sugar Grove Church be dissolved.

Rose Creek Cumberland Presbyterian Church submitted a letter requesting that the pastoral relationship with Rev. Greg Cain be dissolved.

<u>Recommendation #2</u>: That the pastoral relationship between Rev. Greg Cain and Rose Creek Church be dissolved.

Recommendation #3: That Rev. Cherry Mitchell be appointed as moderator of Rose Creek Church.

A contract between Sugar Grove Church and Rev. Greg Cain was submitted.

Recommendation #4: That a pastoral relationship between Rev. Greg Cain and Sugar Grove Church be established, and the installation service be April 12, 2025, at 5:00 pm at Sugar Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The commission to install will consist of Rev. Marc Bell, Rev. David LeNeave, Rev. Curtis Franklin, and Elder Rudy Fowler.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the Board of Missions provide \$1,000 from our 2025 board budgeted money to Jake Davidson, Candidate of Covenant Presbytery, for a mission trip to Guatemala.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Rev. Marc Bell.

Respectfully submitted, Your Board of Missions

### **Appendix** H

## **Board of Missions Supplemental Report**

To: Covenant Presbytery in session with Milburn Chapel, March 15, 2025.

The Board of Missions submits the following report and recommendation:

Communication from Rev. Roman Lambert and the Chandler CPC was received requesting the establishment of an associate pastoral relationship.

Recommendation #5: That an associate pastoral relationship between Rev. Roman Lambert and the Chandler CPC be established and the installation service be May 10, 2025, at 5:00 pm at the Chandler Church. The commission to install will consist of Rev. Curtis Franklin, Rev. Marc Bell, Rev. Cherry Mitchell, and Elder Brenda Shoulta.

### Appendix I

## **Overtures and Resolutions Committee Report**

To: Covenant Presbytery in session with Milburn Chapel, March 15, 2025.

The Overtures and Resolutions Committee submits the following report and recommendations:

First, we would like to extend a big thank you to Milburn Chapel for the delicious food and warm hospitality today.

Second, after reviewing the excuses received for this presbytery meeting, we recommend the following:

<u>Recommendation #1</u>: Rev. Dale Williams be unexcused from this meeting of presbytery and that Benton C.P. Church be unexcused from this meeting of presbytery due to the fact that a session must have more than one elder according to our constitution.

Recommendation #2: That all others who sent excuses be excused.

Recommendation #3: That all ministers or probationers who did not submit excuses be unexcused and that these ministers be properly admonished for their neglect of ministerial duties.

Respectfully,

The Committee on Overtures & Resolutions

Rev. Elizabeth Spann (New Hope), Rev. Marc Bell (Fredonia), Elder Loucinda Graulich (Chandler)

## **Covenant Presbytery Moderators**

Elected	Name	
March 15, 2025	Rev. Joseph Stephenson	Janu
March 16, 2024	Rev. Bobby Spurling	Unti
March 18, 2023	Elder Jeff Parker	Olli
March 19, 2022	Rev. Nick Ashley	Janu
March 20, 2021	Rev. Bud Russell	Dece
September 21, 2019	Rev. Daniel Hopkins	200
September 15, 2018	Rev. Chris Fleming	Nov
September 16, 2017	Rev. GlennWarren	Dec
September 17, 2016	Rev. R. B. Mays	2000
October 3, 2015	Rev. John Shoulta	Ce
October 4, 2014	Rev. Ken Richards	
October 5, 2013	Rev. Fred Fahl	
October 6, 2012	Rev. Dee Ann Thompson	
April 14, 2012	Rev. Steve Guarneros	2024
October 1, 2011	Rev. Bud Russell	202
April 2, 2011	Rev. Brent Ballow	
October 2, 2010	Rev. Chris Fleming	2023
April 10, 2010	Rev. David LeNeave	O 25
October 3, 2009	Rev. John Shoulta	
April 4, 2009	Rev. Curtis Franklin	2022
October 4, 2008	Elder Raymond Nelson	2022
April 5, 2008	Rev. Paul Stone	
October 6, 2007	Rev. Fred Fahl	2021
April 14, 2007	Rev. Dee Ann Thompson	
October 7, 2006	Rev. Chester Cannon	2019
April 1, 2006	Rev. R. B. Mays	
October 1, 2005	Rev. Wendell Ordway	
April 2, 2005	Rev. Randy Lowe	
October 2, 2004	Rev. John Shoulta	
April 3, 2004	Rev. Dean Atchinson	2024
October 4, 2003	Rev. Rebecca Salisbury	
April 5, 2003	Rev. Danny Potts	2023
October 5, 2002	Rev. Loyce Estes	
April 5, 2002	Rev. Hillman Moore	
October 6, 2001	Rev. Jesse Freeman	2022
April 7, 2001	Rev. Jack Ferguson	
October 7, 2000	Rev. Roger Reid	
April 1, 2000	Rev. Steve Guarneros	2021
October 2, 1999	Rev. David LeNeave	
April 10, 1999	Rev. Ray Board	
October 3, 1998	Rev. Dare Aden	2019
April 4, 1998	Rev. Charles Pope	
October 4, 1997	Rev. Chester Cannon	
April 5, 1997	Elder Reese Baker	
October 5, 1996	Rev. Bert Owen	
April 13, 1996	Rev. Paul Tucker	

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	Term of Service	Name
Januar	ry 1, 2005	Elder Reese Baker
Until !	Present	
Januar	ry 1, 1998	Rev. Bert Owen
Decen	nber 31, 2004	
November 11, 1988		Rev. John Shirey
Decer	nber 31, 1997	·
Cor	nmissioners to Go (during the past	•
	On the Part of the	<u>ne Ministry</u>
2024	Rev. Bernice Belt	
	Rev. Troy Newcom	lb
	Rev. Joseph Stephe	nson

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	Rev. Troy Newcomb	
	Rev. Joseph Stephenson	
2023	Rev. Larry Buchanan	
	Rev. Bud Russell	
	Rev. Marc Bell	
2022	Rev. Bobby Spurling	
	Rev. Dennis Weaver	
	Rev. Phillip Brown	
2021	Rev. R. B. Mays	
	Rev. Bud Russell	
2019	Rev. Victor Hassell	
	Rev. Daniel Hopkins	
	Rev. David LeNeave	

## On the Part of the Elders

2024	Brenda Shoulta	Mt. Carmel
	Margaret Ramage	Hopkinsville
2023	Mike Heneisen	Hopewell
	Brenda Shoulta	Mt. Carmel
	David Darnell	Macedonia
2022	Jeff Parker	Highland
	Jeff Gordon	Oak Grove
	Jean Glisson	Milburn Chapel
2021	Dennis Potts	Bethel
	Brenda Shoulta	Mt. Carmel
	Elaine Overton	Highland
2019	Casey Owen Easley	Sturgis
	Randall Hooper	Chandler
	Roger McQuiston	Fredonia