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Prepared for:

78th Stated Meeting of Houston Metro Presbytery

4pm August 16th, 2024

Christ the King, Houston, TX

Prepared by:

Eric Manthei

HMP Stated Clerk

DOCKET FOR THE 78TH STATED MEETING OF THE HOUSTON METRO PRESBYTERY

Friday, August 16th, 2024
Christ the King, Houston, TX

Call to Order & Prayer	RE Dave Cias	4:00pm
Worship	Mr. Jack Smith	4:05pm
Roll Call, Quorum, & Introductions	RE Eric Manthei	4:30pm
Adoption of the Docket	RE Eric Manthei	4:35pm
Report of the Stated Clerk	RE Eric Manthei	4:40pm
Report of Treasurer	RE Dave DeBruler	4:50pm
Permanent Committee Reports		
Administration	No report	-
Candidates & Credentials	TE Fred Greco	5:00pm
Mission to the World	RE Mark Becker	5:35pm
Reformed University Ministry	RE Erik Haaland	5:40pm
Review of Sessional Records	No report	-
Mission to North America	TE Brad Wright	5:50pm
Ministerial Relations	TE Blake Arnoult	6:15pm
Nominations	No report	-
Report of Commission – Faith Community Church, Pearland	TE Fred Greco	6:20pm
Old Business	None	
New Business	None	
Resolution of Thanks & Prayer	RE Eric Manthei	6:30pm
Fellowship Meal	Christ the King	

MINUTES OF THE 77TH STATED MEETING OF THE HOUSTON METRO PRESBYTERY

Monday, April 8th, 2024

CALL TO ORDER & WORSHIP

Moderator RE Dave Cias called The Houston Metro Presbytery to Order at 4:16pm for its 77th Stated Meeting on Monday, April 8th, 2024, at Christ Presbyterian Church in Houston, TX and opened in prayer.

RE Dave Cias led a call to worship from Psalm 135:1-3 then preached from Acts 4:32-5:11.

ROLL CALL & INTRODUCTIONS

Stated Clerk RE Eric Manthei reported that roll had been taken and that a quorum was present. Attendance is listed below.

Church	Teaching Elders	Commissioners (<i>Ruling Elders</i>)
Bay Area Presbyterian Church	Chris Yates	-
Christ Church Katy	Fred Greco David King Curt Mire Duncan Rankin	Mark Becker Dave Cias Daryl Brister
Christ Presbyterian Church (Houston)	Richard Harris Axel Sotelo	Steve Bellis Ken Wynne
Christ Presbyterian Church (Huntsville)	Nolan Williamson	Mark Fullerton Sam Massey
Christ the King Presbyterian Church	Clay Holland Andres Zelaya	Cody Dick Gill Dolan Chris Pine
Cornerstone Houston	Blake Arnoult	Neal Wade Philip Whitley
Covenant Presbyterian Church (Houston)	Lou Veiga Julian Zugg	Ted Hess Jeremy Thomas
Covenant Presbyterian Church (Lufkin)	Mark O'Neill	Kirk Fearing
Faith Community Church		Arnold Tamayo
Grace Presbyterian Church	Kyle Bobos Brad Wright	Andy Yung
Hosanna Community Church		-
King's Cross Church	Dennis Hermerding	Todd Phillips

Oaklawn Presbyterian Church		-
Providence Presbyterian Church	Seth Skogen	-
Redeemer Presbyterian Church	Janas Caruncho	-
Reformed Presbyterian Church	Mark Blalack	Ryan Bowling
Riverside Church	Josh Rieger	Eric Manthei
Southwest Presbyterian Church	-	-
Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church	Ben Duncan	Erik Haaland Lee Joseph

OTHER TEACHING ELDERS

Mission Church Pastors	Taylor Leachman
Reformed University Ministry	Brooks Harwood
Other Ministers on Roll	Richard Colquitt Juan Carlos Martinez Don Robertson Ken Thurman

VISITORS

Advent Presbyterian Church	Olivia Thurman
Christ Presbyterian Church (Houston)	Keith Pendergrass Marcelo Jakubovic Tracy DeBoer Van Tran Sam Marinov Edward Colunga Greg Hickman Elizabeth Hickman Dave Garber Greg Gleason Eli Arroyo Tom Harrison Tindy Youngflesh Nenita Tan Ammi Tan Travis Graham Ryan Serven Mica Serven Andrew L Walis Curtis Ari P Ivan Curtis

	Scott Davis Diane Grieb
Christ Presbyterian Church (Huntsville)	Jim Williamson Marlys Mulkey Zach Richard Rachel Richard Carrie Cavanaugh
Christ the King Presbyterian Church	Mike McClune Tim Brown Rob Hays Joe Deegan Bret Oliver Ryan Dolibois John Durie Kevin Wells
Covenant Presbyterian Church (Houston)	Wayne Slailber
Faith Community Church	Jason Hathaway
MTW	Alex Jordan Jerry Gibson Daniel Henry
Nashville Presbytery	Stacey Croft
Pittsburgh Presbytery	Alejandro Martinez
Reformed Presbyterian Church	Hazen Johnson
RUF	Kimmy Mota Joshua Valdez
Unspecified Affiliation	Jason Miller Julio Rodriguez

Guests and first-time visitors were introduced.

STATED CLERK'S REPORT

Stated Clerk RE Eric Manthei began his report.

1. A motion to approve the docket was received (*Attachment 77-1*). **M/S/C**
2. A motion to approve the minutes of the January 19th, 2023, Stated Meeting was received. **M/S/C**
3. There was a motion to accept the following excused absences:
 - a. TE Jaime Jimenez
 - b. TE John Trapp
 - c. TE David Wakefield
 - d. TE Gerald Phillips
 - e. TE Kevin Arevalo
 - f. TE David Wakeland

- g. TE Joe Congdon
 - h. TE Todd Crusey
- M/S/C**

4. A motion to approve the modified response to Exceptions from the 50th General Assembly as presented was received (*Attachment 77-2*). **M/S/C**
5. The following commission reports were discussed:
 - a. TE Duncan Rankin's installation
 - b. TE Axel Sotelo's ordination and installation
 - c. Decision on Complaint Gleason vs Christ Presbyterian Church (Houston)
 - d. Decision on Complaint Li vs Covenant Presbyterian Church (Houston)
 - e. Decision on Complaint Walker vs Christ Presbyterian Church (Houston)
6. Additional reminders were given regarding:
 - a. Covenant Presbyterian Church (Houston) Reformed Theology Conference
 - b. PCA MNA Mercy Conference
 - c. PCA GA Host Committee Letter

RE Manthei closed his report with prayer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer RE Dave DeBruler opened with prayer and gave his report.

1. RE DeBruler distributed and presented the 04/03/2024 Financial Statements (*Attachment 77-3*).

RE DeBruler closed his report with prayer.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

There was no report.

CANDIDATES AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

TE Fred Greco, the Chair of this Committee, opened with prayer and gave the Committee's report.

1. TE Greco introduced transfer candidates **TE Alex Martinez** and **TE Stacey Croft**.
2. **TE Martinez** and **TE Croft** were both examined by the Presbytery.
3. The following motions were then presented in gross from the Committee related to **TE Alex Martinez** (Transfer from Pittsburgh Presbytery).
 - a. Approve the examination of TE Alex Martinez in Christian Experience, including motives for seeking the ministry.
 - b. Approve the examination of TE Alex Martinez in views in Theology. TE Martinez offered no stated differences, therefore no statement of differences is recorded.
 - c. Approve the examination of TE Alex Martinez in views in Sacraments.

- d. Approve the examination of TE Alex Martinez in views in the Principles and Rules of Government and Discipline of the PCA.
- e. Approve the examination of TE Alex Martinez as a whole.
- f. Approve the call of TE Alex Martinez to Christ the King.

M/C

4. The following motions were then presented in gross from the Committee related to **TE Alex Martinez**.
 - a. Appoint a Commission of Presbytery comprised of TE John Trapp, TE Clay Holland, TE Andres Zelaya, RE Rob Hays, RE Kevin Wells, and RE Patrick Johnson, with TE Trapp as convener, to install TE Alex Martinez as Assistant Pastor at Christ the King (BCO 21-5, 21-9).
 - b. That TE Alex Martinez be received into Houston Metro Presbytery, having been dismissed pending receipt by Pittsburgh Presbytery.

M/C

5. The following motions were then presented in gross from the Committee related to **TE Stacey Croft** (Transfer from Nashville Presbytery).
 - a. Approve the examination of TE Stacey Croft in Christian Experience, including motives for seeking the ministry.
 - b. Approve the examination of TE Stacey Croft in views in Theology. Approve TE Croft's stated difference as being more than semantic, but "not out of accord with any fundamental of our system of doctrine," recorded in his words:

"I find that the argument is better made from Scripture than from WCF 21 and the WLC and WSC. The definition of recreation is not seen as forbidden in Scripture and recreation could be understood as a part of rest and replenishment from our "worldly employments." I also believe the proof texts from the divines didn't forbid recreation as much as it did "work" and point us to rest in the day God has mad for man. I believe it's a wisdom issue of how our recreations provide enjoyment and rest and not lead us away from worship.

In addition, during that period the Puritan pushback from the 17th century "Book of Sports" by King James, also had much to do with placing recreation as a controversial issue. The day is meant for rest, but physical activity could be considered a part of rest."

- c. Approve the examination of TE Stacey Croft in views in Sacraments.
- d. Approve the examination of TE Stacey Croft in views in the Principles and Rules of Government and Discipline of the PCA.
- e. Approve the examination of TE Stacey Croft as a whole.
- f. Approve the call of TE Stacey Croft to Christ the King.

M/C

6. The following motions were then presented in gross from the Committee related to **TE Stacey Croft**.
 - a. Appoint a Commission of Presbytery comprised of TE John Trapp, TE Clay Holland, TE Brooks Harwood, RE Rob Hays, RE Paul Duffin, and RE Joe Folley, with TE Trapp as convener, to install TE Stacey Croft as Assistant Pastor at Christ the King (BCO 21-5, 21-9).
 - b. That TE Stacey Croft be received into Houston Metro Presbytery, pending dismissal by Nashville Presbytery.

M/C

TE Greco closed the report with prayer, after which the right hand of fellowship was offered to TE Martinez and TE Croft by presbyters in attendance.

MISSION TO THE WORLD COMMITTEE

RE Keith Pendergrass, the Chair of this Committee, opened with prayer and gave the Committee's report.

1. A new mission trip opportunity to Seminario Teologico Presbiteriano in San Pablo, Mexico, was announced.
2. Jerry Gibson, the Director of MTW Western Hub, was introduced and further discussed the trip to Mexico as well as other MTW happenings.
3. Alex Jordan of MTW Japan gave a report on the work he and his wife plan to do in Japan and solicited invitations to come speak at churches or in homes of interested parties within HMP.
4. DH Henry, an MTW missionary serving the Navajo Nation, was introduced.

Jerry Gibson closed the report with prayer.

REFORMED UNIVERSITY MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

RE Erik Haaland, the Chair of this Committee, opened with prayer and gave the Committee's report.

1. RE Haaland encouraged HMP to help identify more opportunities to start RUF within HMP.
2. **TE Brooks Harwood** was invited to give a report on **RUF @ U of H**.

TE Blake Arnault closed the report with prayer.

REVIEW OF SESSION RECORDS COMMITTEE

TE Mark Blalack, the Chair of this Committee, gave the Committee's report.

1. TE Blalack presented the following motions from the Committee in gross:
 - a. That the Committee thank the Sessions for the timely submission of their 2023 minutes.
 - b. That the Providence Session's responses to the Exceptions of Substance for the 2021 and 2022 Minutes, be approved as Satisfactory, and that the BCO 40-5 citation be repealed (*recommendations 2 and 3 from the 01/19/2024 committee report that were postponed by action of presbytery – noted in HMP Minutes as items 4 & 5*).
 - c. That the 2023 Minutes of the following Sessions be received *Without Exceptions*: Christ (Houston), Christ (Huntsville), Christ Church (Katy), Cornerstone, Covenant (Lufkin), Grace, King's Cross, Spring Cypress, Reformed
 - d. That the 2023 Minutes of the following Sessions be received *With Exceptions of Form Only*: None
 - e. That the 2023 Minutes of the following Sessions be received *With Exceptions of Substance*: Advent, Bay Area, Christ the King, Covenant (Houston), Faith, Hosanna, Oaklawn, Providence, Redeemer, Riverside, Southwest
 - f. That the Sessions whose 2023 Minutes have *Exceptions of Substance* respond to the Review of Session Records Committee Chairman no later than Monday, July 15th, 2024.
 - g. That this report be received as a whole.
2. All motions from the Committee were moved in gross. **M/C**

TE Blalack closed the report with prayer.

MISSION TO NORTH AMERICA COMMITTEE

TE Brad Wright, the Chair of this Committee, opened with prayer and gave the Committee's report.

1. TE Wright gave an encouraging report from **TE Taylor Leachman**, regarding the mission church Advent Presbyterian Church of Houston.
2. TE Wright encouraged all to join the MNA Disaster Response email list run by **RE Mark Becker**.
3. TE Wright asked for help from HMP finding a Spanish-speaking pastor for Oaklawn.
4. A motion from the Committee was presented to receive the resignation of TE Fred Greco, RE Mark Becker, and RE Dan Tidwell on Oaklawn's session and to replace them with TE Jaime Jimenez and TE Andres Zelaya. **M/C**
5. TE Wright invited everyone to attend the upcoming Southwest Church Planting Network meeting.
6. TE Wright reminded attendees of the process and parameters around which a church may be planted within HMP.
7. **TE Juan Carlos Martinez** was invited to speak on the potential church plant in The Woodlands.
8. A motion from the Committee was presented to approve the mission church in The Woodlands, TX, through Christ Presbyterian Church (Huntsville) as a mother-daughter work with TE Juan Carlos Martinez as the planting pastor. After much discussion, there was a motion from the floor to postpone until the next meeting of HMP. **M/S/C (25 for, 24 against)**

TE Wright closed the report with prayer.

MINISTERIAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

TE Blake Arnoult, opened with prayer and gave the Committee's report.

1. **RE Cody Dick** presented on the work of Geneva Benefits and the myriad benefits they offer, such as the Relief Fund, with encouragement that churches in HMP participate.
2. The Committee brought the following motions:
 - a. That the Pastoral Relation between TE Don Robertson and Faith Community Church PCA be dissolved effective, April 8, 2024 (per BCO 23-1).
 - b. To form a BCO 15-1 commission at Faith Community Church as an interim session consisting of TEs Fred Greco (convener) and Duncan Rankin, and REs Mark Becker, Dan Tidwell, Arnold Tamayo.
 - c. That the Pastoral Relation between TE Kevin Arevalo and Redeemer Presbyterian Church PCA be dissolved effective, April 14, 2024 (per BCO 23-1).
 - d. To approve the call of TE Kevin Arevalo to labor out of geographical (per BCO 13-2) and ecclesiastical bounds with London City Presbyterian Church of the Free Church of Scotland, having

- been assured that TE Arevalo will have full freedom to maintain and teach the doctrine of our Church (per BCO 8-7).
- e. That the Pastoral Relation between TE Richard Colquitt and Christ Presbyterian Church PCA be dissolved effective, February 13, 2024 (per BCO 23-1).
 - f. That the call of TE Juan Carlos Martinez to Christ Presbyterian Church Huntsville as Assistant Pastor, dated March 19, 2024 be approved (per BCO 22-3), effective May 16, 2024.
 - g. That a commission of Houston Metro Presbytery, composed of at least TEs Nolan Williamson (convener), Lou Veiga and Blake Arnoult and REs Mark Fullerton, Sam Massey, and Ari Parmudji (BCO 15-2), be established for the purpose of installing TE Martinez as an Assistant Pastor of Christ Presbyterian Church - Huntsville on May 19, 2024.
3. Motions **A** and **B** were moved in gross. **M/C**
 4. Moderator Dave Cias offered prayer for TE Don Robertson, thanking God for TE Robertson's service, and for the next steps for Faith Community Church.
 5. Motions **C** and **D** were moved in gross. **M/C**
 6. Motion **E** was moved. **M/C**
 7. Motion **F** was moved. **M/C**
 8. Motion **G** was moved. **M/C**
 9. It was announced that the Committee, using its Commission powers under HMP RPO 8-2.1.5, would take up the matter of the dismissal of **TE Dennis Hermerding** to Central South Presbytery of the EPC after their vote of receiving him at their April 26-27, 2024, meeting. TE Hermerding gave remarks of thanksgiving.

RE Daryl Brister closed the report with prayer.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

RE Daryl Brister, the Chair of this Committee, opened with prayer and gave the Committee's report.

1. Nominations were solicited for Committee of Commissioners for GA 2024 for the remaining open slot on Ridge Haven. None were received.
2. A motion from the Committee was put forward for TE Mark Blalack to replace TE Dennis Hermerding as our representative on RPR since TE Hermerding is transferring out of the PCA. **M/C**
3. A motion was made to empower Moderator RE Cias and Stated Clerk RE Manthei to submit representatives for vacant Committee of Commissioners on a first-come, first-served basis. **M/S/C**

RE Brister closed the report with prayer.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business.

RESOLUTION OF GRATITUDE & CLOSING PRAYER

1. **RE Eric Manthei** gave the resolution of thanks, expressing gratitude and appreciation for TE Richard Harris, the rest of the session, diaconate, and all of Christ Presbyterian Church for their hospitality and willingness to host our meetings as well as dinner.
2. The time and place of the next meeting was announced:
78th Stated Meeting of Houston Metro Presbytery
Friday, August 16th, 2024, at 4pm
Christ the King Presbyterian Church
1201 Silber Road, Houston, TX 77055
3. There was a **motion from the floor** to adjourn at 8:00pm. **M/S/C**
4. **RE Eric Manthei** closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

RE Eric Manthei
Stated Clerk
Houston Metro Presbytery

ATTACHMENT #77-1

DOCKET FOR THE 77TH STATED MEETING OF THE
HOUSTON METRO PRESBYTERY

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 Christ Presbyterian Church, Houston, TX

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Candidates & Credentials	TE Fred Greco	5:15pm
Mission to the World	RE Keith Pendergrass	5:45pm
Reformed University Ministry	RE Erik Haaland	6:00pm
Review of Sessional Records	TE Mark Blalack	6:10pm
Mission to North America	TE Brad Wright	6:20pm
Ministerial Relations	TE Kyle Bobos	6:40pm
Nominations	RE Daryl Brister	7:00pm
Old Business	None	
New Business	None	
Resolution of Thanks & Prayer	RE Eric Manthei	
Benediction	TE Fred Greco	
Fellowship Meal	Christ Presbyterian Church	7:15pm

ATTACHMENT #77-2

Exception: General 2022 (BCO 13-9.b; 40-1) – No record of review of records of church Sessions.

Response:

HMP acknowledges this error in our minutes for 2022. While reports of the Review of Sessional Records Committee were not listed, the Committee's reports were approved by Presbytery at the April and November 2022 Stated Meetings but were not part of the Minutes for these respective meetings. HMP will amend our minutes to reflect this fact. HMP apologizes for this oversight and will work diligently to make sure all reports are clearly and completely documented in the future.

Exception: General 2022 (BCO 8-7) – No record of annual reports of TEs laboring out of bounds.

Response:

HMP apologizes for this oversight and will work diligently to make sure all reports are clearly and completely documented in the future. HMP will include a report of TEs who labored out of bounds in 2023 in our 2024 minutes.

Exception: Jan 21, 2022 [p. 9] (BCO 13-11; RAO 16-3.e.7) – Minutes of executive session not included.

Response:

HMP apologizes for this oversight and will work diligently to make sure all reports are clearly and completely documented in the future.

Exception: Jan 21, 2022 [p. 9]; Aug 19, 2022 [p. 44] (BCO 21-1) – No record that Congregation/Session concurred with dissolution of pastoral relations.

Response:

HMP apologizes for this oversight and will work diligently to make sure all reports are clearly and completely documented in the future. The January 21, 2022, minutes do indicate that a congregational meeting of Oaklawn PCA was held on November 28, 2021, and those minutes were submitted to presbytery. With respect to the minutes from August 19, 2022, the Session did concur with the dissolution of the pastoral relations and submitted its minutes to presbytery. We will amend our minutes to reflect that fact.

Exception: Jan 21, 2022; April 11, 2022 [pp. 10, 32] (BCO 15-1, RAO 16-3.e.4) – Minutes of commission not entered in presbytery minutes.

Response:

HMP apologizes for this oversight and will work diligently to make sure all reports are clearly and completely documented in the future. Attached you will find the missing minutes.

Exception: April 11, 2022 [p. 37] (BCO 5-9.a.i) – Incomplete record of particularization service.

Response:

HMP apologizes for this oversight and will work diligently to make sure all reports are clearly and completely documented in the future.

Exception: April 11, 2022 [p. 32] (BCO 18-2) – No record of six-months membership for candidate or record of endorsement by candidate’s session.

Response:

A testimonial from the session of six-months membership was submitted to HMP. HMP apologizes for not including this in its minutes and will work diligently to make sure all reports are clearly and completely documented in the future.

From 50th GA – previously found unsatisfactory

Exception: General (BCO 13-9.b) – No record of review of records of Session completed and approved by action of Presbytery.

Response:

HMP reviewed records of Sessions at its April 11, 2022, meeting through its Review of Session Records Committee report. This is reflected in our April 11, 2022, minutes. HMP apologizes for this oversight and will work diligently to make sure all reports are clearly and completely documented in the future.

ATTACHMENT #77-3

Treasurer's Notes and Analysis regarding 04/03/2024 Financial Statements

Since the end of December, 2023:

- 1) We have received \$10.3K in contributions during the first quarter or about 1/6 of our annual revenue budget.
- 2) Expenses were minimal during the first quarter. All annual disbursements to RUF accounts as well as Mark Becker are expected in April.

Cash balance in the checking account is \$129.5K on 04/03/24 compared to \$119.8 on 12/31/23. The change is due to first quarter receipts with minimal expenses.

**SOURCES AND USES STATEMENT
ACTUAL TO BUDGET
YEAR TO DATE THROUGH APRIL 3, 2024**

Account Number	Account Name	Actual	Annual Budget	Remaining Budget
<u>Sources of General Funds</u>				
4000	Member Contributions			
40001	Advent Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40002	Bay Area Presbyterian Church	\$ 100.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 400.00
40003	Christ Church	\$ 1,950.00	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 5,850.00
40004	Christ Presbyterian Church - Houston	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
40005	Christ Presbyterian Church - Huntsville	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40006	Christ The King Presbyterian Church	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 22,500.00
40007	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40008	Covenant Presbyterian Church - Houston	\$ -	\$ 4,375.00	\$ 4,375.00
40009	Covenant Presbyterian Church - Lufkin	\$ -	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
40010	Faith Community Church	\$ 150.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 450.00
40011	Grace Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40012	Hosanna Community Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40013	King's Cross Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40014	Oak Lawn Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40015	Providence Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40016	Redeemer Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40017	Reformed Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40018	Riverside Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40019	Southwest Presbyterian Church	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 900.00
40020	Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church	\$ 381.15	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,118.85
Total Sources of General Funds		\$ 10,381.15	\$ 61,725.00	\$ 51,343.85

Use of General Funds

5000	Ministry Support			
50001	GA Host Committee	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
50002	GA Administrative Committee	\$ -	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
50003	GA Assistance for Ruling Elders	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
50004	RUF - Jordan Griesbeck - UTA	\$ -	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00
50005	RUF - Austin McCann - TAMU	\$ -	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00
50006	RUF - Wayne Rutherford - Baylor	\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
50007	RUF - Brooks Harwood - U of H	\$ -	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,400.00
50008	RUF - Davis Sweatt - Texas Tech	\$ -	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00

**SOURCES AND USES STATEMENT
ACTUAL TO BUDGET
YEAR TO DATE THROUGH APRIL 3, 2024**

Account Number	Account Name	Actual	Annual Budget	Remaining Budget
50009	RUF - Bradford Green - TCU	\$ -	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00
50010	RUF - Conrad Quiros - SMU	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
50011	RUF - Curtis Shields - Rice	\$ -	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,400.00
50012	RUF - Holt West - Trinity	\$ -	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00
50013	RUF - JB Wilbanks - UTT	\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
50014	RUF - Colin Peters - Regional Director	\$ -	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00
50015	RUF - Kimmie Mota - U of H	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
50016	MNA - Mark Becker Disaster Recovery	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
	Total 5000 - Ministry Support	\$ -	\$ 51,600.00	\$ 51,600.00
5100	Committee Operations			
51001	Administration	\$ 10.00	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 3,690.00
51002	Mission to North America	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
51003	Mission to the World	\$ -	\$ 9,200.00	\$ 9,200.00
51003.1	CITA EDU - David Moran	\$ -	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 4,800.00
51003.2	MTW - Todd Crusey	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
51004	Ministerial Relations	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
51005	Candidates & Credentials	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
51006	Sessional Records	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
	Total 5100 - Committee Operations	\$ 10.00	\$ 23,750.00	\$ 23,740.00
5200	Administrative Support			
52001	Presbytery Meeting Dinners	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
52002	Stated Clerk Stipend	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,200.00
52003	Stated Clerk Expenses	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
52004	Treasurer's Expenses	\$ 417.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,383.00
	Total 5200 - Administrative Support	\$ 717.00	\$ 8,300.00	\$ 7,583.00
	Total Use of General Funds	\$ 727.00	\$ 83,650.00	\$ 82,923.00
	Net Income (Loss)	\$ 9,654.15		

Balance Sheet as of 04/03/2023


Account Number	Account Name	Amount
<u>Assets</u>		
<u>Current Assets</u>		
1000	Checking Accounts	\$ 129,528.11
1010	Savings	\$ -
1100	Accounts Receivable	
1200	Other Current Assets	\$ -
	Total Assets	\$ 129,528.11
<u>Liabilities</u>		
<u>Current Liabilities</u>		
2000	Credit Card	\$ -
2100	Accounts Payable	\$ -
2300	Prepaid Contributions	\$ -
	Total Liabilities	\$ -
<u>Equity</u>		
<u>Unrestricted Net Assets</u>		
3000	General Fund Balance	\$ 100,221.01
	Total Unrestricted Net Assets	\$ 100,221.01
<u>Restricted Net Assets</u>		
3100	Church Planting Fund Balance	\$ 29,307.10
	Total Restricted Net Assets	\$ 29,307.10
	Total Equity	\$ 129,528.11
	Total Liabilities + Total Equity	\$ 129,528.11

Houston Metro Presbytery Internship Application

Name Nathan Eleweanya Date 7/22/24
 Address 3004 Bee Cave Dr. Missouri City, TX 77459
 Telephone (281) 799-3126
 Under Care? Yes What Presbytery? Houston Metro
 Licensed? No When? N/A Presbytery? N/A
 Home Church Providence Presbyterian Church
 Address 3510 Austin Pkwy
 City Sugar Land State TX Zip 77479
 Phone 281-980-2522 Pastor Alan McCall
 Are you a member of a church in the Houston Metro Presbytery? Yes
 Church Providence Presbyterian
 Address 3510 Austin Pkwy
 Phone 281-980-2522 Pastor Alan McCall
 How long have you been a member of this church? 7 years
 Where will you be serving your internship? Providence Presbyterian
 Has your internship been approved by the Session? Yes
 When 7/21/24 Clerk's Name Ted Dravis
 What will be your specific responsibilities? High School Sunday School, occasional preaching + leading of prayer services, deaconal duties
 Seminary Attended Reformed Theological Seminary Houston
 Graduation Date May 2026 Degree Master of Divinity

On separate sheets, list any previous ministry experience that is applicable toward your internship. Please be as specific as possible. Give dates and name(s) of the person(s) to whom you were responsible. Also, provide a written statement concerning your testimony of faith in Christ and of your call to the ministry of the Word.

Mentor's Name Seth Skogen Title _____
 Church Providence Presbyterian Church
 Address 7831 Arrowhead Ct. Missouri City, TX 77459
 Phone 803-463-5432

Signed  Date 07-22-24

INTERNSHIP

Houston Metro Presbytery Mentor Recommendation

Candidate's Nathan Eleweanya Mentor's Seth Skogen

Position _____

Church Providence Presbyterian Church

Address 3510 Austin Pkwy

City Sugar Land State TX Zip 77479

Phone 281-980-2522

The above named intern candidate has asked that you be designated as his mentor during the term of his internship. If you are willing to serve as his mentor, please supply the information below.

Please describe the details of the internship arrangement:


Duration: 18 months from Sept. 1, 2024
until ~~Mar. 1 2026~~ Dec. 1 2025

What will be the specific responsibilities of the intern?

Teach High School Sunday School, weekly
Regular deaconal duties maintained
Occasional preaching and leading of prayer
services

Please describe any financial arrangements of the internship:

Unpaid internship, as church already supporting
50% seminary tuition at BTS

Signed  Date 07-22-24
(Mentor)

Houston Metro Presbytery Mentor/Intern Agreement

Mentor: Seth Skogen E-Mail: skoges11@gmail.com Phone: 803-463-5432
 Intern: Nathan Eleweanya E-Mail: neleweanya Phone: 281-799-3126
 Name of Church: Providence Presbyterian Church @gmail.com
 Date: 7/22/24


As a Mentor, I covenant with the Intern under my supervision, and with the Houston Metro Presbytery, to:

- 1) Meet regularly with him
- 2) Explore with and encourage him regarding his growth and struggles:
 - A) As a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ
 - B) As a husband and father, if applicable
 - C) As he relates to the people among whom he is ministering
 - D) As to his strengths and weaknesses, as revealed through the internship experience
- 3) Pray with and for him
- 4) Creatively seek opportunities for him to serve in as many aspects of ministry as possible.
- 5) Give feedback to the Candidates & Credentials Committee, using the appropriate forms from the Manual, or from the Chairman of the Candidates & Credentials Committee:
 - A) Quarterly, using the "Mentor's Quarterly Report"
 - B) Upon completion of his Internship, using the "Mentor's Internship Completion Form"

Mentor's Signature: 

As an Intern, I covenant with the Mentor supervising me, and with the Houston Metro Presbytery, to:

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- Explore with my mentor my growth and struggles:
- As a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ
 - As a husband and father, if applicable
 - As I relate to the people among whom I am ministering
 - As to my strengths and weaknesses, as revealed through the internship experience
- Pray with and for my mentor
- Avail myself of as many opportunities for ministry as provided for me by my mentor
- Give feedback to the Candidates & Credentials Committee, using the appropriate forms from the Manual, or from the Chairman of the Candidates & Credentials Committee:
- A) Quarterly, using the "Intern's Quarterly Report"
 - B) Semi-Annually, using the "Semi-Annual Report for Candidates"
 - B) Upon completion of my internship, using the "Intern's Internship Completion Form"

Intern's Signature: 

**Houston Metro Presbytery
Internship Application
Session Recommendation**

Candidate's Name Nathan Eleweanya
 Church Providence Presbyterian Church (PCA)
 Address 3210 3004 Bee Cave Dr.
 City Missouri City State TX Zip 77459
 Pastor Alan McCall
 Clerk of Session Ted Dravis
 Mentor Seth Skogen

Describe the Intern's specific responsibilities Teach High School Sunday School;
 Serve as Deacon; occasionally preach + receive feedback;
 occasionally lead prayer services

Describe any financial arrangements N/A for internship; already supporting
 50% seminary tuition

It is recommended that one Ruling Elder be assigned to the Intern to oversee his progress, to meet regularly with him for prayer, and to encourage him during the course of his internship.

Name of Ruling Elder Ted Dravis
 Address 3214 Explorer Cove, Sx
 City Sugar Land State TX Zip 77479

Please include with this form a letter from the session stating the reasons for recommending this candidate for an internship, a brief description of his past and present ministry within the church, and the date of session action regarding the request for internship.

It is expected that the session will provide the intern with the necessary opportunities for fulfilling the requirements of the internship and will also maintain frequent contact with the intern in order to assess his progress, give counsel, and provide encouragement.

Signed  Date 7/21/24
 (Clerk of Session)

INTERNSHIP

Houston Metro Presbytery
Internship Application

Name Felix Espino Date 2/20/24
 Address 5550 Dancy Rd. Apt 1104, Houston, TX, 77041
 Phone 832-865-6087
 Under Care? Yes What Presbytery? Houston Metro Presbytery
 Licensed? Not When? _____ Presbytery? _____
 Home Church Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church
 Address 6000 Spring Cypress Rd
 City Spring State TX Zip 77379
 Phone 281-320-3650 Pastor Rev. Ben Duncan
 Are you a member of a church in the Houston metro Presbytery? Yes
 Church Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church
 Address 6000 Spring Cypress Rd, Spring, TX, 77379
 Phone 281-320-3650 Pastor Rev. Ben Duncan
 How long have you been a member of this church? Three years
 Where will you be serving your internship? Spring Cypress presbyterian church
 Has your internship been approved by the Session? Yes
 When 2/14/24 Clerk's Name Justin Chandler
 What will be your specific responsibilities? I will lead and manage the church's student ministry, help with children ministry and continue Army Chaplaincy
 Seminary Attended Reformed Theological Seminary
 Graduation Date Spring 2025 Degree Master of Divinity
 On separate sheets, list any previous ministry experience that is applicable toward your internship. Please be as specific as possible. Give dates and name(s) of the person(s) to whom you were responsible. Also, provide a written statement concerning your testimony of faith in Christ and of your call to the ministry of the Word.
 Mentor's Name Ben Duncan Title Teaching Elder / Pastor
 Church Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church
 Address 6000 Spring Cypress Rd, Spring TX, 77379
 Phone 281-320-3650
 Signed Felix Espino Date 3/6/24

INTERNSHIP

Houston Metro Presbytery
Mentor Recommendation

Candidate's Felix Espino Mentor's JE Ben Duncan
 Position Director of Student Ministries
 Church Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church
 Address 6000 Spring Cypress Rd.
 City Spring State TX Zip 77379
 Phone 281-320-3650

The above named intern candidate has asked that you be designated as his mentor during the term of his internship. If you are willing to serve as his mentor, please supply the information below.

Please describe the details of the internship arrangement: Seeing as Felix feels called to chaplaincy in the US Army, I strongly support his ministry as a chaplain candidate in the Texas National Guard. Additionally, I focus my assignment of responsibilities and the specific counsel I give around developing the skillset of a TE called as a chaplain. He will continue in his role and be given additional opportunities to speak and attend occasional session meetings and to grow in his ability to minister to all groups.

What will be the specific responsibilities of the intern? Lead and manage all aspects of student ministry to include leading team, recruiting, organizing events, communicating & coordinating with other church ministries, teaching, leading mid-week youth gathering, meeting with youth and family members, submitting reports to session. He will additionally be given opportunity to preach on occasion as well as attend session meetings. We plan on expanding his role to oversee all of children & student ministries so as to give experience leading other leaders and managing different ministries simultaneously.

Please describe any financial arrangements of the internship:

Pay: \$1,350 per month
plus \$5,850 per year to RTS for education (we pay 1/3).

Signed



(Mentor)

Date

19 Feb 24

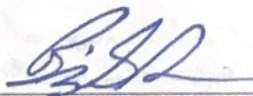
INTERNSHIP

Houston Metro Presbytery Mentor/Intern Agreement

Mentor: FE Ben Duncan E-Mail: ben@springcypresschurch.com Phone: 832-773-0170
 Intern: Felix Espino E-Mail: Felix.espino28@gmail.com Phone: 832-865-6087
 Name of Church: Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church
 Date: 21 Feb 24

As a Mentor, I covenant with the Intern under my supervision, and with the Houston Metro Presbytery, to:

- 1) Meet regularly with him
- 2) Explore with and encourage him regarding his growth and struggles:
 - A) As a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ
 - B) As a husband and father, if applicable
 - C) As he relates to the people among whom he is ministering
 - D) As to his strengths and weaknesses, as revealed through the internship experience
- 3) Pray with and for him
- 4) Creatively seek opportunities for him to serve in as many aspects of ministry as possible.
- 5) Give feedback to the Candidates & Credentials Committee, using the appropriate forms from the Manual, or from the Chairman of the Candidates & Credentials Committee:
 - A) Quarterly, using the "Mentor's Quarterly Report"
 - B) Upon completion of his Internship, using the "Mentor's Internship Completion Form"

Mentor's Signature: 

As an Intern, I covenant with the Mentor supervising me, and with the Houston Metro Presbytery, to:

Meet regularly with him

Explore with my mentor my growth and struggles:

As a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ

As a husband and father, if applicable

As I relate to the people among whom I am ministering

As to my strengths and weaknesses, as revealed through the internship experience

Pray with and for my mentor

Avail myself of as many opportunities for ministry as provided for me by my mentor

Give feedback to the Candidates & Credentials Committee, using the appropriate forms from the Manual, or from the Chairman of the Candidates & Credentials Committee:

A) Quarterly, using the "Intern's Quarterly Report"

B) Semi-Annually, using the "Semi-Annual Report for Candidates"

B) Upon completion of my internship, using the "Intern's Internship Completion Form"

Intern's Signature: 

INTERNSHIP

Houston Metro Presbytery
Internship Application
Session Recommendation

Candidate's Name Felix Espino
 Church Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church
 Address 6000 Spring Cypress Rd
 City Spring State TX Zip 77379
 Pastor TE Ben Duncan
 Clerk of Session RE Justin Chandler
 Mentor TE Ben Duncan

Describe the Intern's specific responsibilities His duties at SCPC require 16-20 hours per week: leads and manages all aspects of our ministry to youth, meets with students and parents, regularly teaching and up-front speaking, submitting reports, meeting with mentor, etc.

Describe any financial arrangements We compensate Felix by paying him \$1,350 per month and we pay \$5,850⁰⁰ per year to RTS for his education.

It is recommended that one Ruling Elder be assigned to the Intern to oversee his progress, to meet regularly with him for prayer, and to encourage him during the course of his internship.

Name of Ruling Elder RE Erik Haaland
 Address 6000 Spring Cypress Rd.
 City Spring State TX Zip 77379

Please include with this form a letter from the session stating the reasons for recommending this candidate for an internship, a brief description of his past and present ministry within the church, and the date of session action regarding the request for internship.

It is expected that the session will provide the intern with the necessary opportunities for fulfilling the requirements of the internship and will also maintain frequent contact with the intern in order to assess his progress, give counsel, and provide encouragement.

Signed JH Chandler Date 19 Feb 24
 (Clerk of Session)




February 20, 2024

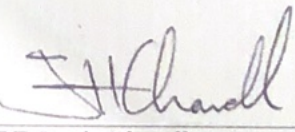
MEMORANDUM FOR HOUSTON METRO PRESBYTERY

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Mr. Felix Espino to begin BCO 19-7 required internship

1. Felix has been a member of SCPC since July 15, 2020. Even prior to becoming a member of SCPC Felix has indicated an inward sense of call to ministry. Upon becoming a member of our church, he engaged in a process of discovery and reflection with SCPC pastor, TE Ben Duncan. While this process was ongoing, the Session of SCPC slowly began involving him in the student ministry. Eventually, Felix perceived that his giftedness, personality, temperament, and interests coalesced to result in him sensing a call to the chaplaincy in the US Army.
2. Based upon his known character, aptitude, giftedness, and agreement about his usefulness in ministry, the Session voted unanimously on October 18, 2021, to commend him to HMP recommending he brought under care of the Presbytery. He was subsequently brought under care of HMP on November 6, 2021.
3. Since that time Felix received a commission as an officer in the US military by becoming a Chaplain Candidate in the Texas National Guard on August 1, 2022. He was hired as our Director of Student Ministries on September 1, 2022. He has done an excellent job leading and growing the ministry entrusted to him and he has continued to grow in his competence, capabilities, and confidence across the entire spectrum of ministerial qualities and duties. He meets weekly with his mentor, TE Ben Duncan, and is receptive to instruction and redirection. The Session agrees wholeheartedly that he holds great promise for usefulness in ordained ministry.
4. Consequently, at our stated Meeting of the Session held on February 19, 2024, the Session voted unanimously and enthusiastically to commend Felix Espino to HMP recommending and petitioning that he begin his BCO 19-7 required internship.
5. Any questions or concerns regarding this resolution may be addressed to the Session of SCPC through either RE Justin Chandler, Stated Clerk of Session, or TE Ben Duncan, Moderator of Session.

For the Session,


TE Ben Duncan
Moderator of Session


RE Justin Chandler
Stated Clerk of Session

6000 Spring Cypress Rd., Spring, TX 77379
281-320-3650

www.SpringCypressChurch.com

Office Hours: 9:00am—3:00pm Mon-Thurs

Houston Metro Presbytery Internship Application

Name Jack Smith Date August 1, 2024

Address 2922 Burgess Hill Ct, Pearland, TX 77584

Telephone (281)912-8902

Under Care? _____ What Presbytery? _____

Licensed? _____ When? _____ Presbytery? _____

Home Church Christ Church, Katy

Address 10818 Gaston Road

City Katy State TX Zip 77494

Phone 281.392.0002 Pastor Fred Greco

Are you a member of a church in the Houston Metro Presbytery? Yes

Church Same as above

Phone _____ Pastor _____

How long have you been a member of this church? Since January 2024

Where will you be serving your internship? Christ Church, Katy commissioned to serve at Faith Community Church, Pearland

Has your internship been approved by the Session?

Yes

When July 2024 Clerk's Name Mark Becker

What will be your specific responsibilities? Preach twice/month, teach Sunday School 4x/month, lead a monthly prayer meeting, do pastoral care, and do administrative work

Seminary Attended The Master's Seminary

Graduation Date 2022 Degree M.Div.

On separate sheets, list any previous ministry experience that is applicable toward your internship. Please be as specific as possible. Give dates and name(s) of the person(s) to whom you were responsible. Also, provide a written statement concerning your testimony of faith in Christ and of your call to the ministry of the Word.

Mentor's Name Duncan Rankin Title Assistant Pastor, Christ Church, Katy; Interim Pastor, Faith Community Church, Pearland

Church Christ Church, Katy

Address 10818 Gaston Road

Phone 281.392.0002

Signed  Date August 1, 2024

Houston Metro Presbytery Mentor Recommendation

Candidate JACK SMITH Mentor TE DUNCAN RANKIN
 Position INTERN
 Church CHRIST CHURCH, KATY, TX PCA
 Address 10818 GASTON RD
 City KATY State TX Zip 77494
 Telephone 281-392-0002

The above named intern candidate has asked that you be designated as his mentor during the term of his internship. If you are willing to serve as his mentor, please supply the information below.

Please describe the details of the internship arrangement:

Preaching 2x/month @ Faith Community Church PCA in Pearland (FCC)
Teaching 4x/month @ FCC in Adult Sunday School Class; home hospitality;
Leading Prayer Meeting @ FCC 1x/month; Teaching @ RTS-Houston in Covenant Theology;
Leading 4x/month @ FCC in Morning Worship; Deacon Meetings + Aid;
Supervising Church Office + Secretary; 10 hrs/wk Pastoral Care w/ FCC members.

What will be the specific responsibilities of the intern?

Regular preaching, teaching, leading and pastoral care, as outlined above;
Pursuit of personal/private devotion and prayer, as well as in his home
as a husband and a father; Attending CCK staff meetings to learn of
larger church operations; consult with mentor on the above; attend
Session and Deacon's meetings; pastoral counseling with congregational needs.

Please describe any financial arrangements of the internship:

Salary of \$70,000/yr with supplemental stipend for RTS-Houston teaching;
payroll via Christ Church PCA Katy TX.

Signed Dr. W Duncan Rankin Date 8/4/2024
 (Mentor)

Houston Metro Presbytery Mentor/Intern Agreement

Mentor: TE DUNCAN RANKIN E-Mail: wduncanrankin@gmail.com Phone: 706-691-3702
 Intern: JACK SMITH E-Mail: jjgamblesmith@gmail.com Phone: 281-912-8902
 Name of Church: Christ Church PCA Katy TX
 Date: 8/4/2024

As a Mentor, I covenant with the Intern under my supervision, and with the Houston Metro Presbytery, to:

- 1) Meet regularly with him
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 - B) Upon completion of his Internship, using the "Mentor's Internship Completion Form"

Mentor's Signature: Dr. W. Duncan Rankin

As an Intern, I covenant with the Mentor supervising me, and with the Houston Metro Presbytery, to:

Meet regularly with him

Explore with my mentor my growth and struggles:

- As a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ
- As a husband and father, if applicable
- As I relate to the people among whom I am ministering
- As to my strengths and weaknesses, as revealed through the internship experience

Pray with and for my mentor

Avail myself of as many opportunities for ministry as provided for me by my mentor

Give feedback to the Candidates & Credentials Committee, using the appropriate forms from the Manual, or from the Chairman of the Candidates & Credentials Committee:

- A) Quarterly, using the "Intern's Quarterly Report"
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- B) Upon completion of my internship, using the "Intern's Internship Completion Form"

Intern's Signature: [Signature]

Houston Metro Presbytery Internship Application Session Recommendation

Candidate's Name Jack Smith
 Church Christ Church
 Address 10818 Gaston Road
 City Katy State TX Zip 77494
 Pastor Fred Greco
 Clerk of Session Mark Becker
 Mentor W. Duncan Rankin

Describe the Intern's specific responsibilities: Preaching twice per month, teaching Sunday school, pastoral work and visitation

Describe any financial arrangements Pay of \$35,000 annually

It is recommended that one Ruling Elder be assigned to the Intern to oversee his progress, to meet regularly with him for prayer, and to encourage him during the course of his internship.

Name of Ruling Elder Mark Becker
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Please include with this form a letter from the session stating the reasons for recommending this candidate for an internship, a brief description of his past and present ministry within the church, and the date of session action regarding the request for internship.

It is expected that the session will provide the intern with the necessary opportunities for fulfilling the requirements of the internship and will also maintain frequent contact with the intern in order to assess his progress, give counsel, and provide encouragement.

Signed Fred Greco Date 7/26/2024
 (Moderator of Session)

MISSION TRIP 2024



HMP MTW Mission Trip

October 11 to 17, 2024

Seminario Teológico
Presbiteriano San Pablo



The Houston Metro Presbytery MTW committee and the [MTW Western Hub](#) invites you to join a mission trip to [Mérida](#) to learn about and help [San Pablo Seminary](#) with needed grounds and building maintenance. The seminary sits on 15 acres. Much of the work will be devoted to clearing rocks and fallen trees from in front of a dormitory building so gravel may be laid for parking.

The seminary has a 41-year history of serving the Presbyterian church in Mexico and Latin America. Two articles provide a history of the seminary: [An Untold Story](#) and [San Pablo Seminary: Evangelical Hope of the Yucatan](#).

Request an electronic copy of this document with active links from keithpendergrass4@gmail.com.

Why a Houston Metro Presbytery mission trip?

An orchestrated push by the HMP has the potential to spur Christians for the first time to dip their toes into another culture and come away with a zeal for missions. Both new and seasoned mission goers will come away with opportunities for their churches to fulfill the Great Commission. Our presbytery can encourage and partner with over 200 Presbyterian churches in the Yucatan through our support of San Pablo Seminary. This is unparalleled leverage for the kingdom and can inspire generations of Christians in our churches. Encourage your members to be a blessing and to come away blessed by their fellowship with fellow believers in our presbytery and the Yucatan.

Trip dates and general itinerary

Participants will leave Friday afternoon, October 11 and return Thursday morning, October 17. Saturday morning will include a tour of the seminary with presentations culminating in lunch at the seminary. Saturday afternoon will allow for shopping and dinner in the center of town. Sunday will include an English-speaking church service in Progreso and lunch on the beach. Monday through

Wednesday will be reserved for work and lunch at the seminary. The group will return to Houston early Thursday morning. Limited spots are available. Contact Keith Pendergrass if interested.

Costs and your responsibilities

Participants are responsible for purchasing their airline ticket, hotel room or Airbnb, most meals, incidentals, personal transportation via Uber.

Besides the above costs, a \$150 non-refundable fee payable to HMP is due by September 9. The HMP MTW committee will cover the cost for group transportation and meals at the seminary.

United Airlines has a direct, 2-hour flight (UA 1426) each day from IAH to Merida leaving about 4:49 pm. The return flight (UA 1427) leaves at 7:00 am. Participants are responsible for making their own travel arrangements. Book early for best fares.

Participants should stay near the seminary if selecting an Airbnb. The Residence Inn Merida at the following address is also an option. [Residence Inn Merida](#) (Calle 3-A No 272 X 20 A, Colonia Xcumpich, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico, 97204). Observe the taxes when considering the total cost.

U.S. Passport is needed (get it now or renew it if needed)

Current [U.S. Passport](#) (U.S. passport book is required for all international air travel to Mexico!)

Weather

The average October temperature ranges from a low of 71 to a high of 91 degrees.

Seminary details

SEMINARIO TEOLOGICO PRESBITERIANO SAN PABLO

Km 2 Carretera a Dzitya, Mpio. de Mérida

Admón. # 10, Apdo. Postal 136, Cordemex 97110 Mérida, Yucatán, México

E-mail: sanpabloar@prodigy.net.mx | Web: www.stpsanpablo.org | Tel. (999) 941-0070

Additional questions or assistance (text, call, or email)

Contact **Keith Pendergrass** (713) 962-2615, keithpendergrass4@gmail.com; and/or **Jerry Gibson** 972-890-0662, jerry.gibson@mtw.org **Request an electronic flyer with active links.**

Zoom information sessions for those considering the trip

- Tuesday, April 30, 7:00 PM
- Thursday, May 30, 7:00 PM
- Or custom Zoom meetings for groups by request.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/my/westernhubzoomlink>





Treasurer's Notes and Analysis regarding 07/31/2024 Financial Statements

Since the end of April, 2024:

- 1) We have received \$14.8K in contributions during the second quarter, bringing the year-to-date total to about 40% of our annual revenue budget.
- 2) All annual budgets to the General Assembly and RUF accounts as well as Mark Becker, David Moran, and Todd Crusey were expended during the second quarter.
- 3) Cash balance in the checking account is \$85.6K on 07/31/24 compared to \$134.7K on 04/30/24. The change is primarily due to second quarter expenditures for the General Assembly and RUF accounts.



**SOURCES AND USES STATEMENT
ACTUAL TO BUDGET
YEAR TO DATE THROUGH JULY 31, 2024**

Account Number	Account Name	Actual	Annual Budget	Remaining Budget
Sources of General Funds				
4000	Member Contributions			
40001	Advent Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40002	Bay Area Presbyterian Church	\$ 100	\$ 500	\$ 400
40003	Christ Church	\$ 4,525	\$ 7,800	\$ 3,275
40004	Christ Presbyterian Church - Houston	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
40005	Christ Presbyterian Church - Huntsville	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40006	Christ The King Presbyterian Church	\$ 15,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 15,000
40007	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40008	Covenant Presbyterian Church - Houston	\$ 1,250	\$ 4,375	\$ 3,125
40009	Covenant Presbyterian Church - Lufkin	\$ -	\$ 750	\$ 750
40010	Faith Community Church	\$ 350	\$ 600	\$ 250
40011	Grace Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40012	Hosanna Community Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40013	King's Cross Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40014	Oak Lawn Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40015	Providence Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40016	Redeemer Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40017	Reformed Presbyterian Church	\$ 2,366	\$ 2,300	\$ (66)
40018	Riverside Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40019	Southwest Presbyterian Church	\$ 700	\$ 1,200	\$ 500
40020	Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church	\$ 889	\$ 1,500	\$ 611
Total Sources of General Funds		\$ 25,181	\$ 64,025	\$ 38,844

Use of General Funds

5000	Ministry Support			
50001	GA Host Committee	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ -
50002	GA Administrative Committee	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ -
50003	GA Assistance for Ruling Elders	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
50004	RUF - Ryan Dougan - UTA	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,400	\$ -
50005	RUF - Austin McCann - TAMU	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,400	\$ -
50006	RUF - Wayne Rutherford - Baylor	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -

Presented by Dave DeBruler

dwdebruler@outlook.com

713-255-7212

Sources & Uses

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**SOURCES AND USES STATEMENT
ACTUAL TO BUDGET
YEAR TO DATE THROUGH JULY 31, 2024**

Account Number	Account Name	Actual	Annual Budget	Remaining Budget
50007	RUF - Brooks Harwood - U of H	\$ 8,400	\$ 8,400	\$ -
50008	RUF - Davis Sweatt - Texas Tech	\$ 700	\$ 700	\$ -
50009	RUF - Bradford Green - TCU	\$ 700	\$ 700	\$ -
50010	RUF - Conrad Quiros - SMU	\$ 600	\$ 600	\$ -
50011	RUF - Curtis Shields - Rice	\$ 8,400	\$ 8,400	\$ -
50012	RUF - Holt West - Trinity	\$ 700	\$ 700	\$ -
50013	RUF - John Gordy - UTT	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -
50014	RUF - Colin Peters - Regional Director	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,400	\$ -
50015	RUF - Kimmie Mota - U of H	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -
50016	MNA - Mark Becker Disaster Recovery	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -
	Total 5000 - Ministry Support	\$ 49,600	\$ 51,600	\$ 2,000
5100	Committee Operations			
51001	Administration	\$ 10	\$ 3,700	\$ 3,690
51002	Mission to North America	\$ 1,600	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,400
51003	Mission to the World	\$ -	\$ 9,200	\$ 9,200
51003.1	CITA EDU - David Moran	\$ 4,800	\$ 4,800	\$ -
51003.2	MTW - Todd Crusey	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -
51004	Ministerial Relations	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500
51005	Candidates & Credentials	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500
51006	Sessional Records	\$ -	\$ 50	\$ 50
	Total 5100 - Committee Operations	\$ 7,410	\$ 23,750	\$ 16,340
5200	Administrative Support			
52001	Presbytery Meeting Dinners	\$ 770	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,230
52002	Stated Clerk Stipend	\$ 600	\$ 1,500	\$ 900
52003	Stated Clerk Expenses	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
52004	Treasurer's Expenses	\$ 1,106	\$ 1,800	\$ 694
	Total 5200 - Administrative Support	\$ 2,476	\$ 8,300	\$ 5,824
	Total Use of General Funds	\$ 59,487	\$ 83,650	\$ 24,163
	Net Income (Loss)	\$ (34,306)	\$ (19,625)	\$ 14,681



Balance Sheet as of 07/31/2023

Account Number	Account Name	Amount
Assets		
Current Assets		
1000	Checking Accounts	\$ 85,568
1010	Savings	\$ -
1100	Accounts Receivable	
1200	Other Current Assets	\$ -
	Total Assets	\$ 85,568
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
2000	Credit Card	\$ -
2100	Accounts Payable	\$ -
2300	Prepaid Contributions	\$ -
	Total Liabilities	\$ -
Equity		
Unrestricted Net Assets		
3000	General Fund Balance	\$ 56,261
	Total Unrestricted Net Assets	\$ 56,261
Restricted Net Assets		
3100	Church Planting Fund Balance	\$ 29,307
	Total Restricted Net Assets	\$ 29,307
	Total Equity	\$ 85,568
	Total Liabilities + Total Equity	\$ 85,568

All PCA Churches, large or small, benefit from the Administrative Committee's ministry

as it sustains our work as a denomination and helps advance Christ's Kingdom.

Every PCA Church benefits from the AC facilitating the PCA's work and advancing the Gospel of Christ.



Churches - The AC advances church ministry

- Find new staff for ministry through the AC Pastor Search program and jobs board.
- Obtain nonprofit status by applying under the PCA's 501(c)(3) group, which the AC maintains.
- Attract visitors to church when travelers and those moving to a new town use the online PCA Directory provided by the AC.
- Use AC resources such as the PCA Yearbook to grow support networking for new ministries such as local church plants.
- Seek counsel from seasoned AC staff, pastors, and churchmen when facing challenging situations or BCO questions.
- Obtain the BCO in English, Korean, Spanish, or Portuguese.
- Learn from rich teaching, timely PCA news, and ministry resources in byFaith Online.

Presbyteries and Assemblies – The AC advances PCA ministry

- Planning and executing PCA decision-making meetings, including General Assembly and meetings of its committees.
- Coordinating the flow of communication and actions from churches to presbyteries, to General Assembly, and back again.
- Providing training, guidance, and peer-to-peer support for presbytery clerks.
- Facilitating ministry staff placement via the AC's jobs board.
- Networking for ministry support through AC publications like the PCA Yearbook.
- Coordinating and supporting systems for doctrinal purity through the Standing Judicial Committee and Review of Presbytery Records.
- Defending the PCA in court when the denomination as a whole is sued.

The AC advances Christ's Church beyond the PCA

- The broad readership of byFaith online.
- Pastor search and placement resources used by ministries outside the PCA.
- Fraternal relations with Reformed denominations domestically and abroad.

Supporting the AC benefits all of the PCA.
If your church does not presently give to the PCA Administrative Committee, **begin in 2024** by giving \$100, \$250, \$500, or \$1000.

Support the Administrative Committee and help advance the whole Church.

Each Church Advancing the Whole Church

Remember! If your church has not given in recent years, your 2024 donation will help us match a generous incentive gift of \$75,000!

Your support enables the work of Christ's Church to move forward!