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Prepared for:

77th Stated Meeting of Houston Metro Presbytery

4pm April 8th, 2024

Christ Presbyterian Church, Houston, TX

Prepared by:

Eric Manthei

HMP Stated Clerk

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

Monday, April 8th, 2024
 Christ Presbyterian Church, Houston, TX

Call to Order, & Prayer	RE Dave Cias	4:00pm
Worship	RE Dave Cias	4:05pm
Roll Call, Quorum, & Introductions	RE Eric Manthei	4:35pm
Adoption of the Docket	RE Eric Manthei	4:40pm
Report of the Stated Clerk	RE Eric Manthei	4:45pm
Report of Treasurer	RE Dave DeBruler	5:05pm
Old Business	None	
New Business		
Overture Proposals	TE Fred Greco	5:10pm
Permanent Committee Reports		
Administration	No report	-
Candidates & Credentials	TE Fred Greco	5:30pm
Mission to the World	RE Keith Pendergrass	6:00pm
Nominations	RE Daryl Brister	6:10pm
Reformed University Ministry	RE Erik Haaland	6:20pm
Review of Sessional Records	TE Mark Blalack	6:30pm
Mission to North America	TE Brad Wright	6:45pm
Ministerial Relations	TE Kyle Bobos	7:15pm
Resolution of Thanks & Prayer	RE Eric Manthei	
Benediction	TE Fred Greco	
Fellowship Meal	Christ Presbyterian Church	7:30pm

MINUTES OF THE 76TH STATED MEETING OF THE HOUSTON METRO PRESBYTERY

Friday, January 19th, 2024

CALL TO ORDER & WORSHIP

Moderator **RE Dave Cias** opened with prayer and a Call to Worship from Isaiah 12:4-5 at 4:04pm.

TE Curt Mire preached from Colossians 1:9-11.

RE Cias called The Houston Metro Presbytery to Order at 4:30pm for its 76th Stated Meeting on Friday, January 19th, 2024, at Christ Presbyterian Church in Houston, TX and opened in prayer.

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 (Ruling Elders)
Bay Area Presbyterian Church	-	-
Christ Church Katy	Fred Greco David King Curt Mire Duncan Rankin	Mark Becker Daryl Brister
Christ Presbyterian Church (Houston)	Richard Harris	Steve Bellis Ken Wynne
Christ Presbyterian Church (Huntsville)	Nolan Williamson	Clint Allen Mark Fullerton
Christ the King Presbyterian Church	Clay Holland John Trapp Andres Zelaya	Rob Hays Kevin Wells
Cornerstone Houston	-	-
Covenant Presbyterian Church (Houston)	Lou Veiga Julian Zugg	Ted Hess Jeremy Thomas
Covenant Presbyterian Church (Lufkin)	-	Bill Craig Kirk Fearing
Faith Community Church	Don Robertson	Arnold Tamayo

Grace Presbyterian Church	Kyle Bobos Jaime Jimenez Brad Wright	Andy Yung
Hosanna Community Church	Gerald Phillips	-
King's Cross Church	Dennis Hermerding	-
Oaklawn Presbyterian Church	-	-
Providence Presbyterian Church	Alan McCall Seth Skogen	-
Redeemer Presbyterian Church	Janas Caruncho	-
Reformed Presbyterian Church	Mark Blalack	Ryan Bowling Chuck Heare
Riverside Church	Josh Rieger	Eric Manthei Tom Vos
Southwest Presbyterian Church	-	-
Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church	-	Danny McDaniel

OTHER TEACHING ELDERS

Mission Church Pastors	TE Taylor Leachman (Advent Presbyterian Church)
Reformed University Ministry	TE Curtis Shields
Other Ministers on Roll	TE Juan Carlos Martinez

VISITORS

Advent Presbyterian Church	Cody Dick Will McKee Jacky Yeung
Christ Church Katy	Suzan Becker Dave Cias
Christ Presbyterian Church (Houston)	Dave DeBruler Greg Gleason Tom Harrison Elizabeth Hickman Greg Hickman Iliya Iliiev Marcelo Jakubovich Erik O'Dell Keith Pendergrass

	Axel Sotelo Ammi Tan
Christ the King Presbyterian Church	Ryan Dougan
Covenant Presbyterian Church (Lufkin)	Vicky Craig
Good Shepherd (OPC)	Brian Blacklock
MTW	Alex Jordan Heather May Jordan
Reformed Presbyterian Church	Hazen Johnson
Riverside Church	Eli Allen Jason Allen Katherine Allen Lily Allen

Guests and first-time visitors were introduced. These included Hazen Johnson, Katherine Allen, Eli Allen, and Lily Allen.

STATED CLERK'S REPORT

Stated Clerk **RE Eric Manthei** began his report.

1. A motion to approve the docket as amended (Attachment 1) was received. **M/S/C**
2. A motion to approve the minutes of the November 13th, 2023, Stated Meeting as amended was received. **M/S/C**
3. There was a motion to accept the following excused absences:
 - a. TE Kevin Arevalo
 - b. TE Blake Arnoult
 - c. TE Joe Congdon
 - d. TE Todd Crusey
 - e. TE Ben Duncan
 - f. TE Pablo Martinez
 - g. TE Mark O'Neill
 - h. TE Tim Stiemann
 - i. TE David Wakeland
 - j. TE Chris Yates**M/S/C**
4. A motion to approve the responses to Exceptions from the 50th General Assembly as presented was received. **M/S/C**
5. Moderator **RE Dave Cias** presented the 2023-2024 BCO Amendments sent down to presbyteries by the 50th General Assembly and conducted the voting.
 - a. Related to **ITEM 1: Amend BCO 7-3**
 - i. There was one speech against and no speeches in favor.

- ii. Seeing no additional discussion, RE Cias asked TEs and RE Commissioners to signify their votes by standing.
- iii. **Final votes were 28 For, 10 Against, 3 Abstain.**
- b. Related to **ITEM 2: Amend BCO 8-2 and 9-3**
 - i. There were no speeches against and no speeches in favor.
 - ii. Seeing no additional discussion, RE Cias asked TEs and RE Commissioners to signify their votes by standing.
 - iii. **Final votes were 32 For, 2 Against, 4 Abstain.**
- c. Related to **ITEM 3: Amend BCO 38-1**
 - i. There were no speeches against and no speeches in favor.
 - ii. Seeing no additional discussion, RE Cias asked TEs and RE Commissioners to signify their votes by standing.
 - iii. **Final votes were 31 For, 0 Against, 6 Abstain.**

RE Manthei concluded his report with prayer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer **RE Dave DeBruler** began his report.

1. RE DeBruler distributed and presented the 12/31/2023 Financial Statements (Attachment 2).
2. RE DeBruler presented the proposed 2024 budget (Attachment 3). A motion came from the floor to approve the budget. **M/S/C**

RE DeBruler closed his report with prayer.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

There was no report.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

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

1. Nominations were received for the following positions on Committee of Commissioners for GA 2024:
 - a. TE Josh Rieger for Administration
 - b. TE Curt Mire for Discipleship Ministries
 - c. TE Ben Duncan for Covenant Theological Seminary
 - d. TE Mark Blalack for Interchurch Relations
 - e. TE Taylor Leachman for Mission to North America
 - f. TE Duncan Rankin for PCA Foundation
 - g. RE Daryl Brister for Covenant College
 - h. RE Justin Chandler for Geneva Benefits

- i. RE Ryan Bowling for Mission to the World
- j. RE Eric Manthei for Reformed University Fellowship
- k. RE Dave Cias for Overtures
- l. TE Fred Greco for Overtures

Each nomination was unopposed. A motion was made to accept these nominations and elect these men to serve as the representatives on these committees from HMP. The remaining spots will be discussed further at the 77th Stated Meeting of HMP on April 8th, 2024. **M/S/C**

- 2. Nominations were received for the following men to be put forward as nominees for Permanent Committees:
 - a. RE David Duren for Covenant Theological Seminary
 - b. TE Lou Veiga for Committee on Discipleship Ministries

Each nomination was unopposed. A motion was made to accept these nominations and put them forward as nominees from HMP. **M/S/C**

- 3. A motion was made to empower Moderator RE Cias and Stated Clerk RE Manthei to add additional names as nominees to Permanent Committees and Agencies on a first-come, first-served basis, if additional men are brought forward prior to the due date in February. **M/S/C**

RE Brister closed the report with prayer.

CANDIDATES AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

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

- 1. **The following motions were presented in gross from the Committee related to Mr. Axel Sotelo (Ordination)**
 - a. Arrest each exam portion (in turn)
 - b. Approve the examination of Mr. Sotelo in views in Sacraments.
 - c. Approve the examination of Mr. Sotelo in Church History.
 - d. Approve Mr. Sotelo's M.Div. degree as meeting the requirements of knowledge of the Greek and Hebrew languages (BCO 21-4.c(1)(b)).
 - e. Approve Mr. Sotelo's Theological Paper as meeting the requirements of BCO 21-4.c(2).
 - f. Approve Mr. Sotelo's Exegetical Paper as meeting the requirements of BCO 21-4.c(3).
 - g. Approve the internship of Mr. Sotelo per BCO 21-4.a.
 - h. Approve the examination of Mr. Sotelo as a whole.
 - i. Approve the Call of Mr. Sotelo as Assistant Pastor of Christ Presbyterian Church in Houston.
 - j. Receive Mr. Sotelo into Houston Metro Presbytery.
 - k. Appoint a Commission of HMP consisting of TE Richard Harris (convener), TE Josh Rieger, TE Curt Mire, RE Keith Pendergrass, RE Ken Wynne, and RE Steve Bellis to ordain and install Mr. Sotelo as Assistant Pastor of Christ Presbyterian Church (BCO 21-5, 21-9). **M/C**

2. **The following motions were presented in gross from the Committee related to Mr. Jacky Yeung** (Coming Under Care per BCO 18)
 - a. Note that Mr. Yeung's Session (Advent Presbyterian Church of Houston) has endorsed his candidacy and verified that Mr. Yeung has been a member of said church for more than six months (BCO 18-2).
 - b. Approve the examination of Mr. Yeung in Christian Experience, including his motives for seeking the ministry.
 - c. Accept the affirmative responses to the Moderator's questions from BCO 18-3.
 - d. Enroll Mr. Yeung as a candidate for the gospel ministry in Houston Metro Presbytery (BCO 18-3).
 - e. Assign TE Taylor Leachman as mentor to Mr. Yeung.**M/C**

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

MINISTERIAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

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

1. The Committee brought the following motions:
 - a. Approve **TE Julian Zugg** to labor out of bounds with full freedom to maintain and teach the doctrine of our Church, with at least annual reports (BCO 8-7). **M/C**
 - b. Approve the call of **TE Julian Zugg** to serve with **Miami International Seminary (MINTS)**, a valid Christian ministry providing robust reformed theological training around the world (BCO 20-1), with assurances that TE Zugg will have the liberty to proclaim and practice fully and freely the whole counsel of God, as contained in the Scriptures and understood in the Westminster Confession of Faith (BCO 20-1), and with the financial arrangements as presented, found satisfactory by all parties (BCO 20-1). Further, that TE Zugg's call as Assistant Pastor of Covenant PCA be dissolved upon Covenant Session's release of him per BCO 23-1. **M/C**

TE Bobos 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 introduced **TE Taylor Leachman**, who gave an update on mission church **Advent Presbyterian Church of Houston**, including new ministry goals and ideas the church is exploring.

TE Wright closed the report with prayer.

MISSION TO THE WORLD COMMITTEE

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

1. RE Pendergrass introduced **RE Dan Tidwell**, who gave an update about **MINTS** in general as well as a report on his recent opportunity to serve in Africa with MINTS and TE Julian Zugg.
2. RE Pendergrass presented a new mission statement and giving guideline the Committee has voted to adopt.
 - a. Mission Statement: The HMP MTW Committee exists to support and promote strategic opportunities that will further God's kingdom outside the continental United States where HMP elders and churches can unite behind and participate in God's global mission.
 - b. Giving Guideline: The HMP MTW Committee primarily funds TEs, REs, and Deacons to visit missionaries and HMP MTW endorsed ministries. The HMP MTW Committee will consider limited funding for TE church planters originating from the HMP.
3. RE Pendergrass shared plans for an upcoming HMP-wide short term mission trip.

RE Pendergrass closed the report with prayer.

REFORMED UNIVERSITY MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

There was no report, however **TE Curtis Shields** was invited to share an update on **Rice RUF**.

TE Shields gave his update, opening in prayer.

RE Dave Cias closed in prayer.

REVIEW OF SESSION RECORDS COMMITTEE

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

1. TE Blalack reminded the churches of HMP of the following:
 - a. Minutes must be turned in by Thursday, February 29th, 2024, to mark.blalack@rpcbmt.org
 - b. All minutes from Executive Session must be included with either Sessional Records or in a designated document
2. TE Blalack reported that since the March 27th, 2023, HMP Stated Meeting, the minutes of the following churches have either had No Exceptions of Substance or have been approved as having Satisfactory Responses to Exceptions of Substance:
 - a. Bay Area Presbyterian Church
 - b. Christ Church Katy
 - c. Christ Presbyterian Church (Houston)
 - d. Christ the King Presbyterian Church
 - e. Cornerstone Houston

- f. Covenant Presbyterian Church (Houston)
 - g. Covenant Presbyterian Church (Lufkin)
 - h. Faith Community Church
 - i. Grace Presbyterian Church ('21)
 - j. Hosanna Community Church ('21 & '22)
 - k. King's Cross Church
 - l. Oaklawn Presbyterian Church
 - m. Redeemer Presbyterian Church
 - n. Reformed Presbyterian Church
 - o. Riverside Church
 - p. Southwest Presbyterian Church
 - q. Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church
3. The Committee brought the following motions in gross:
- a. That the responses of the following churches to their Exceptions of Substance, received since the November 2023 Stated Meeting of HMP, be approved as Satisfactory:
 - i. Advent Presbyterian Church ('22)
 - ii. Grace Presbyterian Church ('22)
 - iii. Hosanna Community Church ('21 & '22)
 - b. That the responses to Exceptions of Substance, received since the November 2023 Stated Meeting of HMP, be approved as Unsatisfactory:
 - i. Providence Presbyterian Church ('21 & '22)
 - c. That HMP cite the Session of Providence Presbyterian Church to appear before the court, by representative or in writing at the April 8th, 2024, Stated Meeting of HMP to respond to these Exceptions of Substance, their previous responses having been deemed unsatisfactory, constituting an important delinquency (BCO 40-5).
 - d. That this report be received as a whole.
4. A request came to remove motion C from those in gross.
5. A request came to remove motion B from those in gross.
6. Motions A and D from the Committee were then moved in gross. **M/C**
7. There was a motion to postpone motion B until the April 2024 Stated Meeting of HMP. **M/S/C**
8. There was a motion to postpone motion C until the April 2024 Stated Meeting of HMP. **M/S/C**

TE Blalack closed this 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:
77th Stated Meeting of Houston Metro Presbytery
Monday, April 8th, 2024, at 4pm
Christ Presbyterian Church (Houston)
8300 Katy Fwy, Houston, TX 77024
3. There was a **motion from the floor** to adjourn at 6:57pm. **M/S/C**
4. **RE Eric Manthei** closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

RE Eric Manthei
Stated Clerk
Houston Metro Presbytery

ATTACHMENT #1

DOCKET FOR THE 76TH STATED MEETING OF THE
HOUSTON METRO PRESBYTERY

Friday, January 19th, 2024
Christ Presbyterian Church, Houston, TX

Worship	TE Curt Mire	4:00pm
Call to Order, & Prayer	RE Dave Cias	4:30pm
Roll Call, Quorum, & Introductions	RE Eric Manthei	4:35pm
Adoption of the Docket	RE Eric Manthei	4:40pm
Report of the Stated Clerk	RE Eric Manthei	4:45pm
Report of Treasurer	RE Dave DeBruler	5:30pm
Permanent Committee Reports		
Administration	No report	-
Nominations	RE Daryl Brister	-
Candidates & Credentials	TE Fred Greco	-
Ministerial Relations	TE Kyle Bobos	-
Mission to North America	TE Brad Wright	-
Mission to the World	RE Keith Pendergrass	-
Reformed University Ministry	No report; TE Curtis Shields to speak about Rice RUF	-
Review of Sessional Records	TE Mark Blalack	-
Old Business		
New Business		
Resolution of Thanks & Prayer	RE Eric Manthei	
Doxology & Benediction	TE Curt Mire	
Fellowship Meal	Christ Presbyterian Church	7:30pm



Treasurer's Notes and Analysis regarding 12/31/2023 Financial Statements

Since the end of October, 2023:

- 1) Revenues have increased by \$7.5K
- 2) Expenses have increased by \$12.5K, mostly in year-end disbursements for MTW activity.
- 3) Income decreased by \$5.0K for a year-end total of \$1.3K

The expense budget had \$10.3K remaining unspent, mostly in the Committee Operations accounts

Cash balance in the checking account is \$119.9K on 12/31/23 compared to \$129.9K on 10/31/23. Most of the change is due to a decrease of income and a gift made out of the Church Planting Fund by the MNA Committee to Advent Presbyterian Church.



**SOURCES AND USES STATEMENT
ACTUAL TO BUDGET
YEAR TO DATE THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023**

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	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
40003	Christ Church		\$ 6,090.00	#VALUE!
40004	Christ Presbyterian Church - Houston	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -
40005	Christ Presbyterian Church - Huntsville	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40006	Christ The King Presbyterian Church	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -
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	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ -
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	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -
40020	Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church	\$ 1,524.60	\$ 1,524.60	\$ -
Total Sources of General Funds		\$ 53,949.60	\$ 60,039.60	\$ 6,090.00

Use of General Funds

5000	Ministry Support			
50001	GA Host Committee	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
50002	GA Administrative Committee	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -
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	\$ -

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**SOURCES AND USES STATEMENT
ACTUAL TO BUDGET
YEAR TO DATE THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023**

Account Number	Account Name	Actual	Annual Budget	Remaining Budget
50007	RUF - Brooks Harwood - U of H	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ -
50008	RUF - Davis Sweatt - Texas Tech	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ -
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	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
	Total 5000 - Ministry Support	\$ 38,600.00	\$ 40,600.00	\$ 2,000.00
5100	Committee Operations			
51001	Administration	\$ 1,028.65	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 4,471.35
51002	Mission to North America	\$ 772.56	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,227.44
51003	Mission to the World	\$ 5,433.63	\$ 5,400.00	\$ (33.63)
51003.1	CITA EDU - David Moran	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 4,800.00	\$ -
51003.2	MTW - Todd Crusey	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ -
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	\$ 13,634.84	\$ 22,350.00	\$ 8,715.16
5200	Administrative Support			
52001	Presbytery Meeting Dinners	\$ 2,979.09	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (479.09)
52002	Stated Clerk Stipend	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -
52003	Stated Clerk Expenses	\$ 2,263.30	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (763.30)
52004	Assistant Stated Clerk Stipend	\$ -	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
	Total 5200 - Administrative Support	\$ 6,492.39	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (492.39)
	Total Use of General Funds	\$ 58,727.23	\$ 68,950.00	\$ 10,222.77
	Net Income (Loss)	\$ (4,777.63)		

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Balance Sheet as of 12/31/2023

Account Number	Account Name	Amount
Assets		
Current Assets		
1000	Checking Accounts	\$ 119,873.96
1010	Savings	\$ -
1100	Accounts Receivable	
1200	Other Current Assets	\$ -
	Total Assets	\$ 119,873.96
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
2000	Credit Card	\$ -
2100	Accounts Payable	\$ -
2300	Prepaid Contributions	\$ -
	Total Liabilities	\$ -
Equity		
Unrestricted Net Assets		
3000	General Fund Balance	\$ 90,566.86
	Total Unrestricted Net Assets	\$ 90,566.86
Restricted Net Assets		
3100	Church Planting Fund Balance	\$ 29,307.10
	Total Restricted Net Assets	\$ 29,307.10
	Total Equity	\$ 119,873.96
	Total Liabilities + Total Equity	\$ 119,873.96



PROPOSED 2024 HMP BUDGET
Budget for Sources and Uses

Account Number	Account Name	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2023 Actual	2023 Budget	2024 Proposed Budget	Increase / (Decrease)
Sources of General Funds							
4000	Member Contributions						
40001	Advent Presbyterian Church		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40002	Bay Area Presbyterian Church	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
40003	Christ Church	\$ 5,907.32	\$ 8,912.68	\$ 6,090.00	\$ 6,090.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (90.00)
40004	Christ Presbyterian Church - Houston	\$ 14,690.63	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -
40005	Christ Presbyterian Church - Huntsville	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40006	Christ The King Presbyterian Church	\$ 31,120.26	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -
40007	Cornerstone Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40008	Covenant Presbyterian Church - Houston	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 4,375.00	\$ 4,375.00	\$ 4,375.00	\$ -
40009	Covenant Presbyterian Church - Lufkin	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ -
40010	Faith Community Church	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ -
40011	Grace Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40012	Hosanna Community Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40013	King's Cross Church	\$ 206.09	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40014	Oak Lawn Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40015	Providence Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40016	Redeemer Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40017	Reformed Presbyterian Church	\$ -	\$ 4,815.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40018	Riverside Church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40019	Southwest Presbyterian Church	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -
40020	Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church	\$ 1,270.50	\$ 1,501.50	\$ 1,524.60	\$ 1,524.60	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (24.60)
Total 4000 - Member Contributions		\$ 58,294.80	\$ 53,529.18	\$ 60,039.60	\$ 60,039.60	\$ 59,925.00	\$ (114.60)
Use of General Funds							
5000	Ministry Support						
50001	GA Host Committee	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
50002	GA Administrative Committee	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
50003	GA Assistance for Ruling Elders	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
50004	RUF - University of Texas @ Austin	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ -
50005	RUF - Texas A&M University	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ -
50006	RUF - Baylor University	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -
50007	RUF - University of Houston	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ -
50008	RUF - Texas Tech University	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ -
50009	RUF - Texas Christian University	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ -
50010	RUF - Southern Methodist University	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ -



PROPOSED 2024 HMP BUDGET
Budget for Sources and Uses

Account Number	Account Name	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2023 Actual	2023 Budget	2024 Proposed Budget	Increase / (Decrease)
50011	RUF - Rice University	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ -
50012	RUF - Trinity University	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ -
50013	RUF - University of Texas @ Tyler	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -
50014	RUF - Regional Director	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ -
50015	RUF - U of Houston, Kimmie Mota	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
50017	MNA - Mark Becker Disaster Response	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Total 5000 - Ministry Support		\$ 38,600.00	\$ 41,850.00	\$ 38,600.00	\$ 40,600.00	\$ 51,600.00	\$ 11,000.00
5100	Committee Operations						
51001	Administration	\$ 1,955.00	\$ 557.05	\$ 1,028.65	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 3,700.00	\$ (1,800.00)
51002	Mission to North America	\$ 3,324.46	\$ 3,459.12	\$ 772.56	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
51003	Mission to the World	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,100.00	\$ 5,433.63	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 9,200.00	\$ 3,800.00
51003a	CITA EDU - David Moran	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 4,800.00	\$ -
51003b	MTW - Todd Crusey	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (600.00)
51004	Ministerial Relations	\$ 104.73	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
51005	Candidates & Credentials	\$ 334.83	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
51006	Sessional Records	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ -
Total 5100 - Committee Operations		\$ 13,519.02	\$ 12,916.17	\$ 13,634.84	\$ 22,350.00	\$ 23,750.00	\$ 1,400.00
5200	Administrative Support						
52001	Presbytery Meeting Dinners	\$ 3,075.80	\$ 1,224.15	\$ 2,979.09	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 500.00
52002	Stated Clerk Stipend	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 250.00
52003	Stated Clerk Expenses	\$ 127.71	\$ 867.17	\$ 2,263.30	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 500.00
52004	Assistant Stated Clerk Stipend	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 750.00	\$ -	\$ (750.00)
52005	Treasurer's Expenses	\$ 4,203.51	\$ 3,341.32	\$ 6,492.39	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00
Total 5200 - Administrative Support		\$ 8,406.82	\$ 6,682.64	\$ 13,992.78	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 13,300.00	\$ 1,300.00
Total Use of General Funds		\$ 56,322.53	\$ 58,107.49	\$ 58,727.23	\$ 68,950.00	\$ 83,650.00	\$ 14,700.00
Net Increase / (Decrease) of Funds		\$ 1,972.27	\$ (4,578.31)	\$ 1,312.37	\$ (8,910.40)	\$ (23,725.00)	\$ (14,814.60)
End of Year Bank Balances							
	General Fund			\$ 90,566.86			
	Church Planting Fund			\$ 29,307.10			
	Total			\$ 119,873.96			

MINISTERIAL APPLICATION
HOUSTON METRO PRESBYTERY

Date: 3/8/24 _____

Name: William Stacey Croft (Stacey) Phone: 615-947-5360

Address: 1928 Harpeth River Dr. City/State/Zip: Brentwood, TN 37027

E-mail Address: scroft@christpres.org, stacey.croft@gmail.com

Birthdate: 5/28/76 Age: 47 Spouse Name: Megan Croft

Have either of you been divorced? Y: N: x

If yes, please give full details on a separate sheet of paper.

Children (names/ages): Jake Croft 14, Cole Croft 9

Ordained by: Nashville Presbytery Date: 10/5/05

Current Ministry: Lead Pastor of Christ Presbyterian Church, Music Row since 2015

Current Presbytery: Nashville Presbytery

Educational Record (List institution, dates, degree):

Undergraduate: Baylor University Bachelor of Arts Speech and Communication 1998

Seminary/Master of Divinity: Reformed Theological Seminary MDiv. 2005

Seminary Training: Westminster Theological Seminary MDiv.

List organizations you have belonged to and give dates:

St. Paul Christian Academy Board member 2022-present

Christian Medical and Dental Assoc. of Jackson, Mississippi 2003-2005.

Youth Director at Park Cities Presbyterian Church, Dallas, TX 2000-2002

Youth director at Christ the King Presbyterian Church, Houston, TX 1998-2000

Youth and Middle School Intern at Park Cities Presbyterian Church 1996-1997

List all ministries (and positions held) you have had since ordination:

Lead Pastor of Christ Presbyterian Church, Music Row 2015-present

RUF Campus Minister at Vanderbilt University 2005-2015

Made to Flourish; City Network Leader 2019-2021

What experiences have you had in presbytery committees and offices?

Shepherding Committee member of Nashville Presbytery 2007-2019; Chairman from 2014-2019.

RUF Committee member and chairman from 2019-present.

In what areas would you like to serve presbytery?

I would like to serve on either the RUF committee or the shepherding committee who handles care over the Presbytery.

MINISTERIAL APPLICATION
HOUSTON METRO PRESBYTERY

Date: 01/31/2024

Name: Alejandro G. Martinez Phone: (724) 508-4016

Address: 591 Jane Street City/State/Zip: Cranberry TWP, PA 16066

E-mailAddress: janogdl@gmail.com

Birthdate: 10/30/1971 Age: 52 Spouse Name: Stephanie Martinez

Have either of you been divorced? Y: N:

If yes, please give full details on a separate sheet of paper.

Children (names/ages): Gabriela Martinez (13), Lina Martinez (11), Nathan Martinez (7), Sebastian Martinez (5).

Ordained by: Pittsburgh Presbytery Date: 05/07/2017

Current Ministry: Associate Pastor

Current Presbytery: Pittsburgh Presbytery

Educational Record (List institution, dates, degree):

Trinity School for Ministry, Master of Arts in Religion, Degree Completed May 2016
New Geneva Theological Seminary, 14 Credits toward MA of Christian Ministry, 2007-2008
Covenant Theological Seminary, 41 Credits toward MA in Theological Studies, 2005-2006
Institute of Superior Studies in Tourism B.A. in Tourism Management, 1998

List organizations you have belonged to and give dates: N/A

List all ministries (and positions held) you have had since ordination:

Assistant Pastor - Associate Pastor/ Music Director
Hispanic congregation outreach and discipleship
ESL ministerial support
Children's Choir/ special music
Social Support for Refugees and Immigrants
Simultaneous interpretation for worship services and events

What experiences have you had in presbytery committees and offices?

MTW committee (chairman)
Assistant to the presbytery's treasurer

In what areas would you like to serve presbytery?

I would like to serve on the MTW committee or on the MNA committee.

REPORT OF APPOINTEES TO COMMITTEES OF COMMISSIONERS
for the 51st General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in America
Even-Numbered Presbyteries – DUE April 12, 2024

Presbytery: _____ Attested by: _____

Presbytery Clerk

Teaching Elders

COMMITTEE	Commissioner Name	Email	Church Name (with City, ST)
Administration			
Discipleship Ministries			
Covenant Theological Seminary			
Interchurch Relations			
Mission to North America			
PCA Foundation			

Ruling Elders

COMMITTEE	Commissioner Name	Email	Church Name (with City, ST)
Covenant College			
Geneva Benefits			
Mission to the World			
Ridge Haven			
Reformed University Fellowship			

Overtures

Elder Type	Commissioner Name	Email	Church Name (with City, ST)
Ruling Elder			
Teaching Elder			

Return to hharrison@pcanet.org, or mail to PCA AC 1700 N. Brown Rd. Ste. 105, Lawrenceville, GA 30043

REFORMED THEOLOGY CONFERENCE

“Our Present Distress”

With Dr. Joseph A. Pipa, Jr.



Friday, May 3

6:00 pm Dinner (pork BBQ dinner, provided on-site)

7:00 pm Musical Prelude

Welcome & Introductions

Hymn, Prayer

Lecture One: Roles & Responsibilities in Our Present Distress, Part 1, Job 29

Saturday, May 4

9:00 am Musical Prelude: The Clutch City Brass

Hymn, Prayer

Lecture Two: Roles & Responsibilities in Our Present Distress, Part 2

10:15 am Break

10:30 am Hymn, Prayer

Lecture Three: What We Owe to the Reformation

11:45 am Q & A

12:00 pm Conclusion, Prayer

Lord's Day Worship

Sunday, May 5

9:40 am Sunday School: The Believer as Salt & Light in Our Present Distress, Matt. 5:13–16

11:00 am Sermon: The Believer's Confidence in Our Present Distress, Ps. 11

The Lord's Supper

5:00 pm Sermon: The Believer's Wisdom in Our Present Distress, Job 28:23–28



Free admission. A suggested gratuity for the meal is \$15—collection box on-site.

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Dear clerks of the PCA,

The General Assembly 2024 Host Committee will provide a financial update each month as we approach GA. The prayer and hope is to ensure GA 2024 is fully funded by 6/1/2024.

Financial update

- Finance committee is looking for churches and presbyteries to help fill a **\$19,000 gap**
- The budget for this event is currently \$121,000, with \$5-6K growth possible to handle additional transportation needs
- Registrations revenues are healthy and the committee will adjust as appropriate

We are witnessing small churches and numerous presbyteries **give \$100 and \$500** contributions. These contributions are incredibly encouraging and helpful. We would request this continue as we are looking for **38 additional \$500 contributions**.

In order to enable the event to focus completely on the Lord's work, the Host Committee is praying and expecting that GA2024 will be fully paid for prior to 1 June. Our goal is to enable prayerful debate, faithful decisions on denominational matters, joyful worship, and unity in faith and fellowship – all for the glory of our Savior Jesus Christ.

The James River, Tidewater, Blue Ridge, and Korean Capital Presbyteries would ask that you distribute this update to your churches and presbytery and know that \$100 and \$500 contributions materially contribute to the GA being fully funded prior to 1 June.

Contributions can be made through:

1. PCA Atlanta office
2. by check mailed directly to: **Church Hill Presbyterian Church, attn: GA 2024, 517 N 25th Street, Richmond, VA 23223**. Checks should be made to "Church Hill Presbyterian Church GA

2024." Include full name, address, email, and good phone number.
3. online using the tithely.com app

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