



Presbytery of Central Carolinas

9th Stated Meeting

Christ Fellowship Church – South Pines, NC

April 25-26, 2025

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Proposed Docket
Presbytery of the Central Carolinas
Ninth Stated Meeting
Christ Fellowship Church
Southern Pines, NC
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Mission: Mobilizing church leaders to make disciples and plant churches for gospel-transformation

“My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.” John 17:20-21 [NIV]

Friday, April 25th, 2025

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| 8:30 AM | Registration & Team / Committee Meetings |
| 1:00 PM | Call to order – Moderator – RE Dan Barry
Host Welcome – Rev. Jim Thyne |
| 1:05 PM | Opening Prayer & Worship – TE Bill Wade, Overbrook EPC |
| 1:30 PM | Preliminary Matters – Moderator RE Dan Barry and Stated Clerk TE Robert Howard <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Declaration of a quorum & adoption of the docket● Welcome to first-time commissioners and corresponding members |
| 1:35 PM | Moderator's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Introduction of Committee Chairs● Our Executive Council● By-Laws Revision Discussion● GA Committees |
| 1:45 PM | Report of the Missional Director – TE Brian Land <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Communication Position<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ TE Brian Land, TE Brian Martin, RE Anita Hill |
| 2:00 PM | Report of the PCC Stated Clerk – TE Robert Howard <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Motions (see packet for details)● Communications & Referrals● Attendance and Parity report for today's meeting● Other matters |
| 2:15 PM | Report of Church Health Coordinator – TE Rob McClelland |
| 2:30 PM | Fellowship |
| 3:00 PM | Order of the Day: Missions
“Collaborating Together: Inspiration from the Early Church” <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Johnny Long, Director of Operations _ World Outreach● TE Mike Kuhn, EPC World Outreach (ITEN) |

4:30 PM Recess to Fellowship Time & Dinner

7:00 PM Worship and Celebration of the Lord's Supper

- Music led by praise team and choir
- Preaching & Communion
- Mission Offering: The Barnabas Fund
- Prayer ministry and fellowship available after the close of the service

Saturday, April 26th, 2025

9:00 AM Call to Order – Moderator RE Dan Barry

9:05 AM Devotional Messages (15min)

- Thomas Orred CP Candidate

9:20 AM Report of the Church Planting Committee – TE Logan Keck

9:30 AM Report of the Stewardship Committee – TE Donovan Campbell

- Financial Update

9:40 PM Church Development Committee–RE Anita Hill

9:50 AM World Outreach - TE Shawn Stewart

10:00 AM Fellowship (15 min)

10:15 AM Report of the Ministerial Committee – RE Butch Hill

- Examinations
 - o Thomas Orred CP Candidate
- Omnibus motion

11:30 PM Expression of appreciation to the host – RE Dan Barry, Moderator

11:30 PM Doxology, Prayer, & Charge

11:45 PM Adjournment

**Sixth Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of the Central Carolinas
TBD**



The Minutes of the 8th Stated Meeting
of the Presbytery of the Central Carolinas
January 24-25, 2025
Lake Forest - Huntersville
8519 Gilead Road
Huntersville, NC

Our Mission: Mobilizing church leaders to make disciples and plant churches for gospel-transformation.

“...for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.”

II Timothy 1:7

Friday, January 24, 2025

08-01. Attendance

Altan Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Robert Childs (Present)
2. RE: Fran Campbell (Present), Edwina Eubanks (Present)

Asheville Hope Mission Church

1. TE Drew McCarty – Evangelist (Present)

Banks Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Vacant
2. RE: Jim Hasty (Present), Curtis Reinhart (Present)

Bensalem

1. TE: John Stone (Absent)
2. RE: (Absent)

Benton Heights Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Paul Saleeby (Present)
2. RE: Joey Gamble (Present), Kim Schwab (Present)

Bethlehem

1. CP: Josh Herrin (Present)
2. RE: Amy Moore (Present), Pat Sloan (Present)

Buck Hill

1. TE: Jim Hoilman (Absent)
2. RE (Absent)

Cameronian

1. CP: Phil Joines (Present)
2. RE: Velma Alford (Present)

Centre Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Logan Keck (Present)
2. RE: Karen Crowell (Present), Merrilynne Henderson (Present)

Christ Church – Anderson

1. TE: Nate Wolcott (Present)
2. RE: Dennis Burt (Present), Nathan Turner (Present)

Christ Community Church - Montreat

1. TE: Richard White (Present), David Taylor (Present)
2. RE: Lloyd Davis (Present), John Newcomer (Present), Larry Harris (Present)

Christ Fellowship Church – Southern Pines

1. TE: Jim Thyne (Present)
2. RE: Charli Thyne (Present)

Garden Memorial EPC

1. TE: Vacant
2. RE: Samuel Johnston (Present)

Grace Church – Brevard

1. TE: Brian Land
2. RE: Brian Canon (Present), Joe Kirk (Present), Ethan Lydon (Present)

Grace Haven Mission Group

1. TE: Jaye Morgan – Evangelist (Absent)

Greenville Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Donovan Campbell (Present)
2. RE: Barney Drake (Present), Chuck Marion (Present)

Hendersonville Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Rob McClellan (Present), Charles Reed (Present)
2. RE: Laura Morris (Present), Robert Wallace (Present)

House of Mercy Mission Group

1. TE Chad Smith – Evangelist (Absent)

Indian Hill Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Vacant
2. RE: (Absent)

Kershaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Vacant
2. RE: Thomas Bryant (Present), Tom Orred (Present)

Lake Forest Huntersville

1. TE: Mike Moses (Present), Aron Gibson (Present), Jeff Cook (Absent)
2. RE: Jack Cathy (Present), Amy Eatmon (Present), Dave Gregory (Present), Brian Hines (Present), Darrell Lipe (Present), Mike Rashid (Present), Allen Roes (Present), Jaye Soss (Present)

Lighthouse Evangelical Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Andy Schuster (Present)
2. RE: Alex Kummerow (Present), Warren Dumford (Present), David Price (Present)

McBee Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Mark Dickinson (Present)
2. RE: Charles Davis (Present), Kemp McLeod (Present)

McLean Presbyterian Church

1. CP: Jamie Smith (Present)
2. RE: (Absent)

Nell Townsend Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Vacant
2. RE: (Absent)

New Cut Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Vacant
2. RE: Joe Clark (Present)

Overbrook Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Bill Wade (Present)
2. RE: Bob Campbell (Present), Phillip Bartscher (Excused) Ron Sisk (Excused)

Plumtree

1. CP: Ryan Bridgeo (Present)
2. RE: Dale Huffman (Excused)

Riceville Valley Community Church

1. TE: Howard Quach (Present)
2. RE: (Absent)

Rocky River Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Vacant
2. RE: (Absent)

Rourk Presbyterian Church

1. CP: Michael Price (Present)
2. RE: (Excused)

Siler Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Michael Krauter (Present)
2. RE: Dan Barry (Present), Joyce Plyler (Present), Brenda Price (Present), Vann Walters (Present)

St. Giles Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Nate Atwood (Present), Tim Carey (Present)
2. RE: Mark Guthrie (Present), Michael King (Present), Bryan McFarland (Present), Cliff Newbury (Present), Frank Shepherd (Present), Frank Bynum (Present), Anthony Current (Present), Van Walters (Present)

St. Matthew Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Vacant
2. RE: (Excused)

Storyhill Church

1. TE: Michael Flake (Present), Gray Segars (Present)
2. RE: Rusty Andrews (Present), T.J. Haycox (Present), April Zuiderveen (Present), Jay Johnson (Present)

The Village Church

1. TE: Scott Walters (Present)
2. RE: Betty Alexander (Present), Mac Willet (Present)

Threshold Church

1. TE: Gabe Swing (Present)
2. RE: Dave Guthrie (Present), Frank Mummert (Present)

Valley Hope Community Church

1. TE: Anthony Rodriguez (Present)
2. RE: Tyler Caruso (Present), Wes Hite (Present), Ben Lillard (Present), Amy Geist (Present), Jason Covert (Present)

Walkersville Evangelical Presbyterian Church

1. TE: Paul Rankin (Excused)

2. RE: (Excused)

Warehouse 242 Church

1. TE: Mike Lawrie (Present)
2. RE: Lon Adams (Present), Jess Fischli (Present), Kathi Graves (Present), Roxanne Morgan (Present), Barry Cutshall (Present), Ross Cole (Present)

Warrenton Presbyterian Church

1. TE Vacant
2. RE (Absent)

Presbytery Staff

TE Robert M. Howard, Stated Clerk (Present)
RE Tim Burns, Treasurer (Absent)

Active Members Look for a Call

TE Kevin Hartley, Without Call (Absent)
TE Mitch White, Without Call (Absent)
TE: Joshua Joohyung (Absent)
TE: Peter Cha (Absent)

Laboring Out Bounds

TE Eric Bartel, Moderator Elect (Present)
TE Joseph Carvajal, Chaplaincy (Excused)
TE Michael Kruger, RTS Seminary (Present)
TE Brian Martin, PastorServe (Present)
TE Katie Piquette, Chaplaincy (Present)
TE Jason Riggs, Chaplaincy (Present)
TE George Schwab, Erskine Seminary (Present)
TE Rachel Toone, Montreat College Dean (Excused)
TE Stephanie Ann Vander Lugt, Kingship Plot, Exec. Dir. (Present)
TE Wes Vander Lugt, GCTS Seminary (Present)
TE Nicole Unice (Excused)

Associate Members

TE Jimmy Carr, Retired Active (Present)
TE Don Fortson, Retired Active (Present)
TE Jim Lankford, Retired Active (Present)
TE Ken Thomas, Retired Active (Present)
TE Doug Vinez, Laboring Outside of Bounds with Global Training Network (Present)

Candidates Under Care

Victor Leal Lake Forest / Iglesia El Buen Samaritano
Katie Macturk Storyhill Church

Corresponding Members

TE Michael Davis, EPCGA Assistant Stated Clerk (Present)

TE Andy Cornett, Presbytery of the Southeast (Present)
 TE Cron Gibson, Presbytery of Coastal Mid-Atlantic (Present)
 TE John Mikule, Presbytery of East (Present)
 RE Elizabeth Gibson, Northampton Church Planting Network
 RE Ed Eubanks, Presbytery of Southeast

Observers

John Agnew	St. Giles Presbyterian
Jill Ammons	Siler Presbyterian
Terry Benson	Threshold Church
Chris Bizik	Banks Presbyterian
David Bizik	Banks Presbyterian
John Brown	St. Giles Presbyterian
Scott Bulluck	Siler Presbyterian
Renee Campbell	Greenville Presbyterian
Jerry Dunning	St. Giles Presbyterian
Adam Faulkner	
Julie Gessner	Altan Presbyterian
Angela Gilliam	Hendersonville Presbyterian
Anne Godley	Grace Brevard
Chris Godley	Grace Brevard
Dona Haney	Siler Presbyterian
Allie Hargrove	
Anita Hill	Siler Presbyterian
Butch Hill	Siler Presbyterian
Don Kirkey	Centre Presbyterian
Laurie Landry	Warehouse 242
Chad Larrabee	Storyhill Church
Anne Lawrie	Warehouse 242
Jack Lange	Grace Brevard
Jane Lutz	Siler Presbyterian
Brent Lutz	Siler Presbyterian
Beth McDonald	Walkersville EPC
Kayla Mikule	Banks Presbyterian
Jon Mikule	Banks Presbyterian
Luke Morris	Hendersonville Presbyterian
Angie Moses	Forst Lake
David Pinto	Lake Forest / Iglesia El Buen Samaritano
John Price	St. Giles Presbyterian
Bonnie Price	St. Giles Presbyterian
Jodi Rhyne	Banks Presbyterian
Amy Russo	Threshold Church
Aiden Smith	Kershaw Presbyterian
Staci Smith	McLean Presbyterian
Perry Somers	Siler Presbyterian
Magda Thomas	Other Ministry
Abby Vinez	Lake Forest / Huntersville
Jessica Wallace	Hendersonville Presbyterian
Warren Weir	McBee Presbyterian
Jeff Wong	St. Giles Presbyterian
Ty Wrage	Staff - Dir. of Care Storyhill Church

- 08-02. Call to Order – RE Dan Barry called the 8th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Central Carolinas to order at 1:00 PM on January 24, 2025. Lake Forest, Huntersville, NC, was thanked for hosting the meeting and the Moderator invited the Pastor, TE Mike Moses, to welcome the Presbytery and inform the commissioners and observers how to negotiate the facilities for any personal needs. TE Mike Moses also pointed out the volunteers who are available to assist anyone looking for help or directions.
- 08-03. The Moderator reminded the Presbytery of the practice of opening Stated Meetings with a time of prayer and invited TE Nate Wolcott, Chaplain, to lead the court in an opening prayer and communal worship and group prayers.
- 08-04. Preliminary Matters – Moderator, RE Dan Barry, asked the Stated Clerk, TE Robert Howard, if he could declare a quorum & Adoption of the docket. The Stated Clerk declared that the 8th Stated Meeting of the PCC had a quorum. The Moderator invited first-time commissioners to stand and be recognized. The Stated Clerk asked that the PCC recognize two corresponding members, TE Ed Eubanks from Presbytery of Gulf South and TE Michael Davis, Assistant Stated Clerk of the General Assembly.
- 08-05. Moderator's Report – RE Dan Barry introduced CP Ryan Bridgeo of Plumtree Presbyterian Church, Plumtree, N.C., and recognized TE Jim Hoilman serving Buck Hill Presbyterian Church, Buck Hill, N.C. Both churches and these Pastors are now member of the PCC after approval of the redrawing of the Western boundary of the Presbytery of Central Carolinas.
- The Moderator presented a proposed amended docket for approval by the Court. The floor was open for a motion to approve the proposed amended docket.
- Motion:** That the PCC approve the proposed amended docket for the 8th Stated Meeting.
- The Motion was made from the floor, it was seconded and approved unanimously by voice vote.
- 08-06. Report of the Stated Clerk – TE Robert Howard reported on the resources included in the Stated Meeting Packet which was mailed out to those in attendance. Included is a packet of information for the Clerks of Session as a guide to accomplish their job of recording the actions of their Sessions. A schedule for reviewing the minutes of the Sessions for 2025 was included in the packet. The Clerk of Session also asked the Moderator to open the floor to a motion to approve the 7th Stated Meeting Minutes of the Presbytery of Central Carolinas.

Motion: That Presbytery of Central Carolinas approve the 7th Stated Meeting Minutes.

The motion was made from the floor, seconded and approved unanimously by voice vote. Actions of the Executive Council since the last meeting of the Presbytery of Central Carolinas

The Stated Clerk reported that the Executive Council approved the following actions on behalf of the Presbytery:

- **Action:** That the TE's and RE's from the PCC Churches who were not at the September Stated Meeting 2024 at Siler Presbyterian Church be considered providentially hindered and formally excused from the Stated Meeting and entered as excused in the minutes.
- **Action:** Appoint a task force made up of RE Don Kirkey, TE Dan Barry and TE Robert M. Howard to review and recommend updates to the By-laws of the PCC. The motion was seconded, discussed and approved unanimously by voice vote.

The Stated Clerk reported that Executive Council recommends to the Presbytery of Central Carolinas two amendments to the PCC's Bylaws. That the words "with the concurrence of the Presbytery" be added to two places in the Article Section of the Bylaws.

The Stated Clerk reported that the Presbytery of Central Carolinas has not been invited by any member churches to hold future Stated Meetings in 2025 and 2026. The following future meetings are needing churches to host the meetings.

- April 2025 Christ Fellowship Offered
- September 2025 Centre Church Offered
- January 2026 Cameronian (Maybe)
- April 2026
- September 2026

Motion: The Executive Council proposes to the Presbytery of Central Carolinas that the Bylaws be amended as follows:

Current Article 7-1. C. of the PCC By-Laws	Proposed Article 7-1. C. of the PCC By-Laws
Article 7-1. C. Permanent committees shall determine their Chairs and the length of service of the Chair. The Presbytery shall determine the Chair of all commissions.	Article 7-1. C. Permanent committees shall determine their Chairs and the length of service of the Chair with the concurrence of the Presbytery . The Presbytery shall determine the Chair of all commissions.

Current Article 7-2 of the PCC By-Laws	Proposed Article 7-2 of the PCC By-Laws
Article 7-2 The Executive Council shall consist of the Moderator, the Moderator-elect, the Stated Clerk, the Chair of each permanent committee, and the Missional Director. Members of the Executive Council shall be Ruling Elders and Teaching Elders.	Article 7-2 The Executive Council shall consist of the Moderator, the Moderator-elect, the Stated Clerk, the Chair of each permanent committee, and the Missional Director. Members of the Executive Council shall be Ruling Elders and Teaching Elders.

The Moderator, with the approval of the Executive Council may appoint voting or non-voting members- at-large for a renewable term of no more than two years.	The Moderator, with the approval of the Executive Council, with concurrence with the Presbytery , may appoint voting or non-voting members- at-large for a renewable term of no more than two years.
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The motion did not need a second and the Moderator opened the floor to discussion. Hearing none, the motion was put forward by the Moderator. The Motion to amend the PCC By-laws was approved unanimously by voice vote.

08-07. The Stated Clerk presented the Descending Overture 44-A which proposed a change the Book of Government on Temporary Pastoral Relationships by adding the words in paragraph G. 10-7. A. 1. d. "...and seeks to transfer ordination,"

d. If a Transitional Pastor is called from outside the Evangelical Presbyterian Church **and seeks to transfer ordination**, the presbytery shall examine and transfer the pastor according to applicable provisions of this Book of Government.

and adding an additional paragraph 10-7. A. 1. e.

e. If a Transitional Pastor from outside the Evangelical Presbyterian Church is not seeking to transfer ordination, the Session may extend an invitation in the same manner as a Stated Supply Pastor except that the invitation will remain in effect during the period the congregation is seeking a Pastor.

The Descending Overture also proposed an additional title of "Transitional Pastor" to paragraph G. 9-5. B. 1. on the office of Teaching Elder. With the additional title the paragraph would read:

1. Titles

A Teaching Elder may be called by a congregation to be a Pastor or Associate Pastor. Sessions may call a Teaching Elder as Assistant Pastor, Transitional Pastor, or invite a Teaching Elder as **Transitional Pastor**, Stated Supply Pastor, or Occasional Supply Pastor. Presbytery must approve all such positions. These are the only recognized callings for Teaching Elders in a congregational setting. The office of the "co-pastor" is not a constitutionally recognized calling in a local church. Except as otherwise provided in the Book of Government, the Pastor of the church shall be the Moderator of Session.

The Moderator reminded the court that the Descending Overture did not need a second coming from the General Assembly and opened the floor to discussion. With little debate the question was put forward by the Moderator asking those who vote to stand. The Descending Overture 44-A was approved with 74 voting in the affirmative and 1 vote against. The Overture passed.

The Stated Clerk reported that the following churches are up to date on submitting their minutes for 2022 and 2023: Altan PC, Banks PC, Benton Heights PC, Bethlehem PC, Centre PC, Christ Church EPC, Christ Community Church – Montreat, Christ Fellowship, Forest Hills, Garden Memorial EPC, Greenville PC, Hendersonville PC, Indian Hill PC, Kershaw PC, McBee PC, McLean PC, New Cut PC, Riceville Vally Community Church, Rourk PC, Siler PC, St Giles PC Storyhill Church, Vally Hope Community Church and Walkersville PC.

The Stated Clerk made a motion that the report be received by the Presbytery. The Moderator recognized a second from the floor and put the question to a vote. The motion to receive the report was approve by unanimous voice vote.

08-08. Report of the Church Planting Committee - TE Logan Keck reported that the opportunities the Presbytery has been working on in planting churches are at the edge of being fruitful. Places that are being looked at in the areas of Columbia, S.C., and Greenville, S.C. TE Keck introduced TE Elizabeth Gibson who is chair of the North Hampton Network address the actions the network is engaged in. Presbytery of Central Carolinas, Presbytery of New River and Presbytery of Coastal Mid-America are all engaged in the resources of the Network. The Committee's work has been working through the decision as to where and how to use the financial recourse. Prayer for wisdom in accomplishing this work are requested. A motion to receive the report was made from the floor, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

08-09. Report from the Stewardship Committee - TE Donovan Campbell reported that the PCC is deeply blessed by the giving of the member churches. The Presbytery has covered its expenses with a surplus caused by the unexpected generosity of the congregations. Though there are 10 congregations that did not give in 2024, giving has exceeded expenses. The news was received by the Teaching Elders and Ruling Elder Commissioners with thankfulness to God and claps of joy! A motion to receive the report was made from the floor, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

08-10. Order of the Day - Report of the Missional Director - TE Brian Land shared his own report on Hurricane Helene & Disaster Recovery. TE Land then invited the other Pastors in Western NC to share their stories from the ministries that have occurred during the period of recover.

TE Rob McClelland, Hendersonville Presbyterian Church

TE David Taylor, Christ Community Church - Montreat

TE Anthony Rodriguez, Valley Hope Church

TE Ryan Bridgeo, Plumtree Presbyterian Church

TE Howard Quach, Riceville Valley Community Church

08-11. Report of the Missions Committee. RE Dan Newcomer presented the committee's report on World Missions by presenting a Video on Global Focus from World Outreach on the work of reaching those unreached people group that have been adopted by the Presbyteries of the EPC. Presbytery of Central Carolinas has adopted the Punjabi group mostly located in Pakistan. Only one Presbytery has yet to adopt a group. On video, Shawn Stewart reported on the next steps of recruiting churches to send cohorts to these groups in the hopes of reaching them with the

Gospel. Motion to receive the report from the floor was moved, seconded and unanimously approved by voice vote.

- 08-12. Report from Church Development Committee – RE Anita Hill reported that the committee had its first meeting since the Hurricane Helene since many of the members of the committee were affected by the storm. The committee’s work will start up again with meetings during supper tonight for the Small Church Network and Women’s Ministry. Church Health Coordinator, TE Rob McClelland, reported that the ongoing work of helping churches become healthy will be gearing back up from the pause of hurricane recovery. Resources are available for congregations and the team is ready to help those interested. Motion to receive the report from the floor was moved, seconded and unanimously approved by voice vote.
- 08-13. Report From the Office of the General Assembly TE Michael Davis, Assistant Stated Clerk spoke of the General Assembly’s encouragement of the churches of the EPC work out the ministry focusing on Gospel priorities of church planting (multiplication), church health (transformation), global movement and effective biblical leadership (discipleship) through long-term planning and taking advantages of the resources available. Motion to receive the report from the floor was moved, seconded and unanimously approved by voice vote.
- 08-14. After a stirring afternoon of testimony on the work of God and a moment of prayer the Moderator called the court to a time of recess for Fellowship & Dinner followed by a time of Worship and Celebration of the Lord’s Supper at 7:00PM. Preaching & Communion by TE Mike Moses who gave a inspiring message of the need for believers to petition the Holy Spirit for the help and guidance in carrying out the work of ministry. The evening offering was dedicated to the Presbytery of Central Carolinas’ Barnabus Fund that assists Pastors with spiritual and physical needs. Prayer ministry and fellowship were available at the end of communion before the close of the worship service.

Saturday, January 25, 2025

- 08-15. Moderator, RE Dan Barry, called the court back into order at 8:30AM and invited TE Gabe Swing of Threshold Presbyterian Church to lead the court in a brief devotional time and opening prayer.
- 08-16. The Moderator recognized RE Butch Hill who gave the following report on behalf of the Ministerial Committee. Concerning an earlier amendment referred to the Ministry Committee, at the 7th Stated Meeting of the PCC offered by the Session of Lighthouse Church on changing the method the PCC votes on candidates and transferring Teaching Elders by secret ballot, the Ministry Committee recommends that the PCC continue this policy of respecting the value of voting by ballot instead of by voice vote or a show of hands. RE Butch Hill moved on behalf of the Ministerial Committee the following motion:

Motion: That the PCC continue its process of voting on candidates and transferring Teaching Elders by ballot.

The Moderator recognized that the motion did not need a second, coming from the Ministry Committee. The Moderator asked if there was any discussion. Hearing none the Moderator put the motion to a vote. The motion was approved by voice vote.

08-17. RE Butch Hill presented and moved the following Omnibus Motion:

[BEGINNING OF OMNIBUS MOTION]

1. Approve request to be excused received from TE's, CP's and RE's: TE Mark Hunter, TE Larry Pittman, TE Paul Rankin, TE Joshua Schatzle, TE Nicole Unice, RE Skip Adams, RE Phillip Bartscher, RE Russell Boardman, Cand. Thomas Davis, RE Douglas DiRienzo, RE Dale Huffman, and RE Ron Sisk.
2. Approve request from Churches to be excused: None Received
3. Approve the dismissal of the Administrative Commission to Rocky River Presbyterian Church, Abbeville, SC. Please pray for their Session as they seek God's direction for them and their witness to the community.
4. Approve CP Jesse McDonald to serve Out of Bounds as Pastor at ECO Christ Church, Barnwell, SC for a period of up to 3 years.
5. Approve TE Jason Riggs, VA Chaplain to serve on the General Assembly's Chaplains Work and Care Committee (CWCC).

[END OF OMNIBUS MOTION]

The Moderator recognized that the Omnibus Motion did not need a second, coming from the Ministry Committee. The Moderator asked if there was any discussion or desire to lift any issue from the motion. Hearing none the Moderator put the motion to a vote. The motion was approved by voice vote.

08-18. RE Butch Hill invited up and introduced the court to two corresponding EPC members who are looking to transfer their ordination as Teaching Elders into the Presbytery of Central Carolinas. TE John Mikule is seeking to transfer from the Presbytery of East and TE Andy Corbett is seeking to transfer from the Presbytery of Southeast. Both transferees' oral examination before the Ministerial Committee was sustained and the Ministry Committee presents these individuals to the Presbytery for examination.

The court was reminded that as transferring Teaching Elders G. 12-3 points out that they are to be examined on views of the areas indicated in G.12-2. C., which includes Theology and Sacraments, English Bible, the Book of Order, the history of the Church and the Reformed tradition, and the nature of the office of Teaching Elder. and they shall relate their experience of the saving grace of God in Jesus Christ and progress in spiritual growth.

RE Butch Hill recognized TE George Schwab to lead the Presbytery in the examination. The transferees gave their personal testimonies on their understanding of the saving grace of God in Jesus Christ and each's progress in spiritual growth. The floor was open to any questions.

Hearing none, TE Schwab moved to close this portion of examination on personal testimony be sustained. The motion was seconded from the floor and passed by voice vote.

The transferees where asked various questions on their understanding of certain passages in the Bible and how they would teach and apply them. The floor was open to any questions. Hearing none, TE Schwab moved that this portion of examination on Bible Content be closed and sustained. The motion was seconded from the floor and passed by voice vote.

TE Schwab asked the transferees if they adhere to the Westminster Confession along with the Larger and Shorter Catechism. Both affirmed the Confession and Catechisms. On the questions of exceptions TE John Mikule expressed his exceptions to *the recreation clause on Sabbath* in the Confession. TE Andy Corbett expressed three exceptions – the first was the conviction that the seven days of creation were not *literal Six 24-hour days*. The second was *the recreation clause on Sabbath in the Confession*. The final exemption was the teaching *on images in worship in the Larger Catechism found in Question 109*. The floor was open to any questions. TE Andy Corbett was asked to share further his view on creation and his understanding of the historical nature of Adam and Eve. TE Corbett affirmed his conviction that Adam and Eve were historical figures in history. Hear no further questions, TE Schwab moved that the two ministers' exception(s) to the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechism be allowed and this portion of examination on the Confession be closed and sustained. The motion was seconded from the floor and passed by voice vote.

Each transferee where asked various questions on their understanding of sensationalism, egalitarianism not essential, annihilationism, pedo-communion, TULIP, Conversion, Evangelicalism, the Gospel and meaning of EPC being Missional. The floor was open to any questions. Hearing none, TE Schwab moved that this portion of examination on Theology be closed and sustained. The motion was seconded from the floor and passed by voice vote.

TE Corbett and TE Mikule questioned on their understanding of various events in Church History. TE Schwab moved that this portion of examination on Church History be closed and sustained pending questions from the floor. The motion was seconded from the floor. There were no further questions. The Moderator put the question before the court. The motion passed by voice vote.

TE Schwab asked both transferees questions relating to the responsibility of the Session and the Pastor concerning worship responsibilities, who is the Stated Clerk of the PCC and attendance at Presbytery Stated Meetings. TE Schwab moved that this portion of examination on polity be closed and sustained pending questions from the floor. The motion was seconded from the floor and there were no further questions. The motion passed by voice vote.

TE Schwab led the transferees through an examination on the office of the Minister of the Word. Both affirmed that they would not perform same-sex wedding. Both were asked to give their views on who should be allowed to partake in the Lord's Supper and if anyone may be re-baptized. They were asked their view of those who declare homosexuality identity and their involvement in the church. TE Schwab moved that this portion of examination on the office of

the Minister of the Word be closed and sustained. The motion was seconded from the floor. The Moderator opened the floor to further questions. Hearing none, the motion was put forward and passed by voice vote.

The Moderator recognized TE Brian Land who raised concern that the questioning during the examination of the transferees erred by including questions of knowledge and not just views. After some discussion of the fairness of the examination the Moderator ruled the examination was in order. TE Schwab moved that the examination be closed, and that TE Corbett and TE Mikule be excused from the room to give the court time for discussion. The motion was seconded from the floor. The Moderator opened the floor to further questions. Hearing none, the motion was put forward and passed by voice vote. TE Corbett and TE Mikule were ushered into a different part of the building. After the court had a brief time of discussion ballots were discriminated to the members to mark their vote and gathered. The vote on approval of the examination of TE John Mikule as a transfer from the Presbytery of East was sustained. The vote on approval of the examination of TE Andy Corbett as a transfer from the Presbytery of the South was sustained.

On behalf of the Ministerial Committee, RE Butch Hill moved the following:

Motion:

That TE John Mikule be received as an Active Member the Presbytery of Central Carolinas and accept the terms of call to be the Pastor of Banks Presbyterian Church, Marvin, NC. (G. 10-4)

Terms of Call:

Annual Salary	\$17,400
Housing Allowance	\$27,600
Retirement Fund – 10%	\$5,000
Books Allowance	\$1,000
Travel	\$2,000
Ministry Expenses	\$1,000
Other	\$5,132
Annual Vacation up to four weeks	
Study Leave (two weeks up to six weeks)	
Sabbatical of 3 Months after 7 years	

and,

That TE Andy Corbett be received as a member the Presbytery of Central Carolinas and accept the terms of call by the Session of Lake Forest Community Church, Huntersville, NC to be Assistant Pastor the for the purpose of seeking to plant a church in the Cabarrus County, NC for a renewable term of three years (G. 10-6. A.)

Terms of Call:

Annual Salary	\$49,000
Housing Allowance	\$40,000
Retirement Fund	10%
Insurance	\$24,068.52 annually
Annual Vacation up to 4 weeks	
Study Leave up to 2 weeks	

The Moderator opened the floor to discussion. Hearing none the motion was put to a vote. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

08-19. On behalf of the Ministerial Committee, RE Butch Hill moved the following Administrative Commissions for the purpose of installing the following Teaching Elders.

Motion: That the following Administrative Commissions be appointed to install the following Teaching Elders.

1. Approve an Administrative Commission comprised of RE Mike Rashid (Lake Forest) Chair, TE Mike Moses (Lake Forest), RE Jack Cathey (Lake Forest), TE Brian Land (Grace Brevard), TE Logan Keck (Centre), RE Don Kirkey (Centre) to conduct a service of Installation Monday evening February 17, 2025, at Lake Forest Church, Huntersville, NC.
2. Approve an Administrative Commission comprised of TE Dr. Eric Bartel (Chair), TE Paul Rankin (Walkersville), RE Jim Hasty (Banks), RE Jonathan Walters (Banks), RE Gretchen Presson (Walkersville) to conduct a service of Installation at 6:00 pm Sunday February 16, 2025, at Banks Presbyterian Church, Marvin, NC.

The Moderator stated that the motion did not need a second coming from committee and opened the floor to discussion. Hearing none the motion was put to a voice vote. The motion to approve the Administrative Commissions to install TE Mikule as Pastor at Banks Presbyterian Church, TE Cornett as Assistant Pastor at Lake Forest Church was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Motion: Approve the change in call for **TE Tim Carey** from Assistant Pastor to Associate Pastor for St. Giles Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, NC in accordance with the Book of Government (G. 10-6. B.).

RE Butch Hill explained to the court that the Session of St. Giles unanimously voted to recommend to the congregation a call to TE Carey to become the Associate Pastor and received the approval from the Ministerial Committee to do so. At a congregational meeting St. Giles has approved the call pending the Presbytery's approval and the following terms:

Terms of Call:

Annual Salary	\$55,260
Housing	\$30,000
Ministry Expense	\$1,500

Retirement Fund \$9,217
 Annual Vacation up to 4 Weeks
 Study Leave up to 2 weeks

Pending the Presbytery's approval the following Administrative Commission would conduct a service of Installation on Sunday March 16, 2025, 10:30 AM at St. Giles Presbyterian Church. The Commission will include TE Nate Atwood, TE Percy Burns, RE Bryan McFarland, RE John Brown, RE Jerry Dunning, RE John Price (St. Giles), TE Robert Howard (PCC Stated Clerk), and RE Warren Dumford (Lighthouse).

and approve the call and installation of TE Tim Carey to be the Associate Pastor of St. Giles Presbyterian Church was approved unanimously by voice vote.

The Moderator stated that the motion did not need a second coming from committee and opened the floor to discussion. Hearing none the motion was put to a voice vote. The motion to approve the call of TE Tim Carey to become the Associate Pastor of St. Giles, Charlotte, NC., and the Administrative Commissions to conduct the installation was approved by unanimous voice vote.

- 08-20. RE Butch Hill reminded the Court that the 2024 Annual Report for Teaching Elders was due January 1, 2025. If you are a Teaching Elder or Commissioned Pastor, your Annual Report along with your Terms of Call for 2024 is to be submitted to the Ministerial Committee. You can also fill out your Annual Report online using the PCC website: Please submit your Report and Terms of Call to mincom@carolinasepc.org. A final reminder was given to all Pastors to take time for vacation and study time. Time away is healthy for you, your family and your congregation.
- 08-21. Report of the Missions Committee (Local Focus) - RE Amy Russo introduced Andrew Ruth who is serving on the staff of Lake Forst Church as Missio Dei Pastor. Mr. Ruth gave a brief overview of some of the mission work Lake Forest is undertaking in the community of the Charlotte Metro area.
- 08-22. The Moderator called the Court to the designated time for the Presbytery to have a presentation and discussion of whether those who identify as having same sex attraction are eligible for ordination. The Moderator reminded the court that the General Assembly has commissioned group to study this issue and bring a report to the General Assembly in two years. On behalf of the Executive Council charged in organizing this time of discussion, the Moderator laid out some boundaries of the presentations. Both presenters would speak on the issue and then a time of question and answers would be given. Those wishing to speak would be given five minutes. The Moderator introduced TE Don Fortson and TE Wes Vander Lugt. Both are members in good standing with the Presbytery of Central Carolinas and offered to present the various views on this matter. TE Fortson was asked to speak first using the resources of the Scripture, the Confessions and Church History to give support to the view discouraging ordaining those who tie their identity to same sex attraction while also professing to being faithful Christian identity. TE Vander Lugt began his presentation by qualifying what he was presenting was not necessarily his own views but part of the larger discussion that is occurring in the national Christian discussion over this matter. Differing views include Side A which affirms homosexuality and same sex

marriage as wholesome and acceptable for Christians. This view is not compatible with the EPC's views sexuality. The opposing side X view states that same-sex marriage is not Biblically permissible, all sexuality outside of marriage is sinful and rejects the idea of Christians having an identity as a "Gay Christian". There are varying fluid views between these two that is referred to as "Side B". This view proposes that Christians should not attempt to change any person's sexual orientation and permit "Gay Christian" as a self-reference while maintaining that marriage and sexual activity is only for one man and one woman. Though this summary in these minutes cannot do justice to the two presentations it is important to recognize the great need for the EPC to be in somber prayer for God to grant the Presbytery of Central Carolinas and the EPC a Spirit to clearly proclaim the mind of Christ in this matter. The purpose of these presentations was to make the Court aware of the challenges the Church faces in faithfully proclaiming the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and to call the Presbytery to be in prayer as the General Assembly Commission seeks to report the full council of Christ on this matter. The Stated Clerk was asked to lead the Court in a closing time of prayer.

- 08-23. Moderator Barry held the Presbytery in honoring the time allotted in the docket by moving to express appreciation to Forest Hill for their kindness in hosting this 8th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Central Carolinas.
- 08-24. TE Nate Wolcott, Chaplain, was invited by the Moderator to lead the Presbytery in a closing time of prayer and joining voices tother in singing the Doxology. As the meeting was ending TE Wolcott charged the members to go back into the world seeking to represent Christ is all that is said and done for the glory of God.
- 08-25. The Moderator declared the meeting was adjourned.

Ninth Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of the Central Carolinas

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Presbytery of the Central Carolinas
Balance Sheet
As of March 31, 2025

	Mar 31, 25
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Operating Account	104,602.55
Savings Account	200,126.18
Total Checking/Savings	304,728.73
Total Current Assets	304,728.73
TOTAL ASSETS	304,728.73
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Unrestricted Net Assets	158,152.41
Temp. Restricted Net Assets	
Donor Designated	
Barnabas Fund	2,764.00
Missionary Emergency Fund	5,076.62
Women's Ministry	3,938.27
Total Donor Designated	11,778.89
Board Designated Funds	
Benevolence	3,119.67
Church Development	81,733.75
Park Avenue Presbyterian	45,221.56
Total Board Designated Funds	130,074.98
Total Temp. Restricted Net Assets	141,853.87
Net Income	4,722.45
Total Equity	304,728.73
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	304,728.73

Presbytery of the Central Carolinas
Percentage of Income Giving
January through March 2025

	Jan - Mar 25
Altan Presbyterian Church	0.00
Asheville Hope Community	0.00
Banks Presbyterian	0.00
Bensalem EPC	1,762.14
Benton Heights	1,550.00
Bethlehem Presbyterian Church	0.00
Buck Hill Presbyterian	0.00
Cameronian	0.00
Centre Presbyterian	1,117.52
Christ Church	0.00
Christ Community Church	5,100.00
Christ Fellowship Church	250.00
Faith Liberation Christian Church	0.00
Garden Memorial EPC	0.00
Grace Brevard	0.00
Grace Haven	0.00
Greenville Presbyterian	0.00
Hendersonville	0.00
House of Mercy	0.00
Indian Hill	0.00
Kershaw	500.00
Lake Forest	16,372.50
Lighthouse	0.00
McBee Presbyterian	2,500.00
McLean Presbyterian	0.00
Nell Townsend Presbyterian	0.00
New Cut Presbyterian	875.00
New Vision Church	0.00
Overbrook	0.00
Park Avenue Presbyterian	0.00
Plumtree Church	0.00
Riceville Valley Community	0.00
Ridgecrest Presbyterian	0.00
Rocky River Presbyterian	0.00
Rourk Presbyterian Church	1,220.44
Siler Presbyterian	2,250.00
St. Giles	1,045.84
St. Matthews Presbyterian	0.00
Storyhill Church	5,250.00
The Village Church	0.00
Threshold	834.00
Troy Presbyterian	0.00
Valley Hope Church	0.00
Walkersville	300.00
Warehouse	0.00

Presbytery of the Central Carolinas	
Percentage of Income Giving	
January through March 2025	
	Jan - Mar 25
Warrenton Presbyterian	0.00
No name	0.00
TOTAL	40,927.44

Presbytery of the Central Carolinas
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through March 2025

	Jan - Mar 25	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Per Member Asking	40,927.44	42,375.00	(1,447.56)
Individual Giving	150.00	375.00	(225.00)
Church Health Coordinator- GA	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Presbytery Offering	955.00	500.00	455.00
Interest Income	19.74	37.50	(17.76)
Total Income	45,052.18	46,287.50	(1,235.32)
Expense			
Missional Director	8,000.01	7,999.97	0.04
Salary			
Total Missional Director	8,000.01	7,999.97	0.04
Stated Clerk			
Salary	4,864.29	4,864.29	0.00
Benefits	2,635.71	2,635.71	0.00
Total Stated Clerk	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00
Church Health Coordinator			
Personnel Expenses	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Travel-Missional Director	1,972.22	1,500.00	472.22
Travel-Stated Clerk	0.00	375.00	(375.00)
Travel-Other	0.00	450.00	(450.00)
Office	0.00	300.00	(300.00)
Zoom and IT Expenses	0.00	337.50	(337.50)
GA Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Personnel Expenses	1,972.22	2,962.50	(990.28)
Professional Fees			
Information Technology-Stipend	600.00	900.00	(300.00)
Web & Database Expenses	72.00	300.00	(228.00)
Treasurer- Stipend	2,250.00	2,250.00	0.00
Treasurer Expenses	0.00	199.97	(199.97)
Payroll Expenses	0.00	250.03	(250.03)
Liability Insurance	78.30	1,125.00	(1,046.70)
Total Professional Fees	3,000.30	5,025.00	(2,024.70)
Committee Expenses			
Executive Council	0.00	124.97	(124.97)
Presbytery Meetings	161.44	1,249.97	(1,088.53)
Ministerial	548.04	1,000.03	(451.99)
World Missions	0.00	375.00	(375.00)
Stewardship	0.00	37.50	(37.50)
Total Committee Expenses	709.48	2,787.47	(2,077.99)

Presbytery of the Central Carolinas
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through March 2025

	Jan - Mar 25	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Benevolence			
Disaster Relief	1,205.00		
Pastoral Needs and Support	0.00	1,312.50	(1,312.50)
Commissioner Assistance	0.00	150.00	(150.00)
Chaplain Travel	0.00	150.00	(150.00)
Total Benevolence	1,205.00	1,612.50	(407.50)
Park Avenue			
Park Avenue Expenses	11,442.73		
Total Park Avenue	11,442.73		
Church Planting			
El Buen Samaritano-Lake Forest	2,499.99	2,500.03	(0.04)
House of Mercy	1,000.00		
Valley Hope Residency	0.00	2,500.03	(2,500.03)
Westlake Residency	0.00	2,500.03	(2,500.03)
Regional Director	0.00	1,500.00	(1,500.00)
GA Church Planting Conference	0.00	1,500.00	(1,500.00)
Networking Dinner	0.00	150.00	(150.00)
Development	0.00	1,000.03	(1,000.03)
Total Church Planting	3,499.99	11,650.12	(8,150.13)
Church Development Expenses			
Coaches Training and Travel	0.00	1,875.00	(1,875.00)
CDC/MC Transition Pastor Train	0.00	500.06	(500.06)
Total Church Development Expenses	0.00	2,375.06	(2,375.06)
Total Expense	40,329.73	44,912.62	(4,582.89)
Net Ordinary Income	4,722.45	1,374.88	3,347.57
Net Income	4,722.45	1,374.88	3,347.57