

**THE PRESBYTERY OF TRANSYLVANIA STATED MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2007
VERSAILLES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY**

CONVENING OF THE PRESBYTERY

The Moderator, Marilyn Daniel, called the Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Transylvania to order at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary of the Versailles Presbyterian Church, Versailles, Kentucky. The Moderator led the Presbytery in an opening prayer.

The Presbytery engaged in a time of worship led by:

Liturgist:	Robert Burkich, elder, Versailles Presbyterian Church
Cantor:	Marlon Hurst, Director of Music & the Arts, First Presbyterian Church, Lexington
Preacher at Font:	Mary Barber Reed, Pastor, Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church, Lexington
Preacher:	Kirk Hall, Associate Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Lexington
Musician:	Elizabeth Yanarella, Versailles Presbyterian Church

The order of worship may be seen in (*Appendix A*).

ROLL

The roll was formed as follows:

MINISTER ATTENDANCE

P = present; EX = absent; A w/o EX = absent without excuse; HR = honorably retired

Alley, Susan	Ashland, Normal	P
Bailey, The Rev. Gaither	Georgetown, First	EX
Baldwin, Diane	Lexington, Maxwell Street	P
Beckes, The Rev. Ned	Richmond, First	P
Berry, Woody	Lexington, Maxwell Street	P
Blatnik, Darla	Lexington, Second	P
Bowald, Larry	Cynthiana	P
Bowman, Lee	Lexington, First	P
Bright, Peggy		HR
Brooks, Gary		EX
Brothers, Michael		A w/o EX
Brown, William C.		HR
Bunger, Ron		A w/o EX
Butler, Rusty	Pisgah, Somerset	P
Camenish, Robert		HR
Carrick, Jean		HR
Carrick, Malcolm		HR

Chamberlain, Pat	Perryville	P
Chumney, David	Paris, First	P
Clark, E.G.	Jackson, Guerrant Memorial	P
Clark, C. Patterson	Blackey/Isom	P
Daniel, E. Randolph		HR
Deutsch, William		A w/o EX
DeYoung, Art	Harrodsburg, United	HR
Divas, Armando		HR
Duggan, David	Versailles, Troy	P
Durr, Lawrence E.		HR
Erwin, James C.	Stanford	EX
Farmer, Thomas	Lexington, Beaumont	P
Fiscella, Ruth		HR
Furrow, DeWitt		HR
Garrod-Logsdon, Beth	Wilmore	P
Geeslin, Truman	Berea, Whites Memorial	P
Gilbert, Anthony	Middlesboro, First	P
Gnatuk, Wayne	GA	EX
Gordon, Graham		HR
Griffie, L. Fred		HR
Grisby, Edwin		HR
Guerrant, Richard		P
Haga, R Jackson		P
Hall, Kirk	Lexington, First	P
Hanna, Charles		P
Hanna, Edwin B.		HR
Hester, David C.	LPTS	A w/o EX
Hicks, Roy W.		HR
Hood, Fred		P
Hopper, Edward		HR
Howard, Scott		P
Iversen, Eric		P
Jaeger, T.A.		HR
Johnson, Jennifer	Ashland, First	P
Jones, Jon F.		HR
Kim, Yongwha	Lexington, Korean	A w/o EX
Lindberg, Jackie		P
Malott, Fred		HR
Marple, Justin	Peter Creek/Shepard Memorial	P
Martin, Jon	Versailles, Pisgah	P
Martin, Susanne	Salem, Pine Grove	P
Matthews, Griffith		P
McAtee, William G.		HR
McGaha, Charles		P
McGowan, Bryce L.	Old Paint Lick	A w/o EX
McKee, David	Interim General Presbyter	P

Mesta, Edward		HR
Moffett, Howard	Bellewood	P
Mount, C. Eric		HR
Murray, Charles		HR
Naze, George		HR
Nelson, C. Ellis		HR
Pace, Steven T.	Lexington, Eastminster	P
Palmer, Stephen	Lexington, Second	EX
Peach, Ellen	Hazard, First	P
Pendergrast, Samuel		P
Pogue, Phillip	Stanton, First	P
Poole, Vicki Lynn	Prestonsburg, First	P
Powlas, Joe		HR
Prewitt, Janet	Hospice, Chaplain	P
Rasmussen, Kenneth		HR
Reed, Mary B.	Lexington, Chapel Hill	P
Reinhardt, Ronald		HR
Rhodes, J. Stephen		EX
Riley, Kathryn		P
Roberts, F. Morgan		EX
Robinson, Jack		P
Rogers, John R.		HR
Rouse, Erin		P
Rucker, James Sr.	Stated Clerk	HR
Rucker, James Jr.	Lancaster, First	EX
Rucker, Pamela	Nicholasville, First	P
Rule, David E.		P
Schantz, Charles		A w/o EX
Scott, Geary	Mt. Sterling, First	P
Seeger, Mary	Midway	P
Sevier, Melissa	Versailles	P
Shaffer, Robert		HR
Shrauner, Ryan		EX
Silence, Jay T	Lexington, Beaumont	P
Smith, Joanne		HR
Smith, Richard	Ashland, First	P
Spickler, Harry W.	Grayson, Bayless Memorial	P
Spoelman, Ronald		P
Spratt, Robert	Winchester, First	P
Steiner, Betsy D.		P
Stewart, Jim	Danville	P
Stricklin, Ernest		HR
Tarter, Rollin		P
Taylor, Lisa Eye	Danville	P
Thompson, H. Gene		A w/o EX
Thulin, Ted	London, First	P

Utt, Jerry	Whitesburg, Graham Memorial	P
VanZant, William W.		P
Ward, Michael L.	Lexington, Walnut Hill	P
Ward, Thomas M.		HR
Warren, Susan	Lawrenceburg, First	P
White, John C.		EX
Wiest, Scott	Pikeville, First	P
Wilhelm, Jack C.		HR
Woodring, James	Pineville, First	A w/o EX
Young, Bill		P

ELDER COMMISSIONER ATTENDANCE

CHURCHES

Ashland, First	Julie Maggard	P
Ashland, Normal		
Augusta		
Augusta, Sharon		
Bellefonte, Community		
Beattyville, McGuire Memorial		
Berea, Whites Memorial		
Blackey, Doermann Memorial	Mary Flynn	P
Booneville, First		
Buckhorn, Buckhorn Lake Area	Bill Napier	P
Canada, Highland	Joe Grossl	P
Carlisle		
Catlettsburg, First		
Cawood		
Corbin	Lois Wortman	P
Cow Creek		
Cranks		
Cynthiana	Sue K McKee	P
Danville	Scott Reisinger	P
	Peggy Tudor	P
Darfork, Hull Memorial		
Drift		
Dry Hill, Anna C. Brush Memorial		
Ezel, United	Wm. Roach	P
Flemingsburg, First	Barry A Bainum	P
Frenchburg, United		
Garrard, Westminster		
Georgetown, First	Betsy B Cooper	P
Grayson, Bayless Memorial	Donald M Malone	P
Greenup		
Harlan, First		
Harrodsburg, Mt. Pleasant		

Harrodsburg, United		
Hazard, First	Chris Doll	P
Hyden, Central		
Indian Creek		
Isom		
Jackson, Guerrant	Juanita Callahan	P
Lancaster, First		
Lawrenceburg, First	Stewart Calvert	P
Lexington, Beaumont	Connie Young	P
Lexington, Bethel		
Lexington, Chapel Hill	Ollie Christmyer	P
Lexington, Eastminster		
Lexington, First		
Lexington, Hunter	Judi Conrad	P
Lexington, Korean		
Lexington, Maxwell Street	Ellen C Allen	P
	John Pendley	P
Lexington, Meadowthorpe	Ron Staton	P
Lexington, Mt. Horeb		
Lexington, Second	Joan Bush	P
	Bob Kirkland	P
	Karen May	P
Lexington, Walnut Hill	Lee Tucker	EX
London, First		
Lothair, Community		
Manchester		
Manchester, Greenbriar		
Mays' Lick		
Maysville, First		
McAfee, New Providence		
McVeigh		
Middlesboro, First		
Midway	Sarah Wilson	P
Millersburg, First	Julia Fleming	P
Morehead, Faith	Cathy Thomas	P
Mt. Sterling, First	Nikolas Fegenbush	P
Muddy Ford, Bethesda		
Nicholasville	Betty Jean Donaldson	P
Owingsville, Old Springfield		
Paint Lick, Old Paint Lick		
Paris, First		
Paris, Hopewell		
Perryville		EX
Phelps, Peter Creek	J.T. Charles	P

Pikeville, First	Joe Friend	P
Pine Grove, Salem		
Pineville, First		
Prestonsburg, First	Connely McCray	P
Richmond, First	Karen Losson	P
St. Helens		
Sharpsburg, First		
Somerset, First	Kathy Bishop	P
Somerset, Pisgah	Nina Sears	P
Stanford	Bob Noe	P
Stanton, First		
Stopover, Shepard Memorial	Mary Campbell	P
Tollesboro, Ebenezer		
Versailles, Pisgah		
Versailles, Troy	Larry Snyder	P
Versailles	Bob Burkich	P
Vicco		
Washington		
Whitesburg, Graham Memorial		
Wilmore		
Winchester, First	Mary Jo Mahan	P
Winchester, Salem		
Wooton, Community United		

Elder Members of Coordinating Council

Marilyn Daniel	Moderator	P P (signed in as elder commissioner Nicholasville)
Betty Donaldson	Presbyterian Women	
Hannah McIntyre	Campus Ministry	
Bill Owens	Council Chair	P
Betty Robbins	Representation	
Catesby Woodford	Administration & Finance	P

Commissioned Lay Pastors

Bentley, Howard	Sharon, Augusta	P
Brown, Richard	Catlettsburg, First	
Caudill, Merle	Wooton, Community United	
Christensen, Charles	Versailles	P
Eberly, Lyndon	Mays' Lick	P
England, Robert	Muddy Ford, Bethesda	
Estes, Dewayne	Beattyville, McGuire Memorial	
Feltner, Dana	Lothair, Community	
Grigsby, Ronnie	Hazard, Hull and Vicco	P
Grooms, Leslie	Augusta, Augusta	P

Lee, Arlie	Cawood, Cranks	
Moore, George	Lexington, Mt. Horeb	P
Reed, William	Harlan, First	P
Stanley, Mike	Hyden, Central	
Whitaker, Greg	Wooton, Community United	P

Presbytery Staff (not listed elsewhere)

Boyd, Lee	Burnamwood	P
Justus, Robyn	Business Manager/Bookkeeper	P
Sharel Templeton	Administrative Assistant	P

Visitors

Pat Harney	Valerie Hamblin	Mary Ann Sparks
Dixie Napier	Ruth Beattie	Genevieve Clay
Allen Brimer	Jean Harney	Sue Henry
Maurice Hibbard	Anne Hoskins	Agatha Roach
Doris Gill	Monica Tillie	Boyd Murdoch
A.J. Hall	Vernon Thwartes	Pete Jones
Kelly A Kaufman	Gary Huffman	Barbara Morgan
		One person – not legible handwriting

SUMMARY

Ministers of the Presbytery in attendance	65
Ministers of the Presbytery absent w/o excuse	9
Ministers of the Presbytery excused	10
Other ministers in attendance	
Churches represented by Elder Commissioners	38
Additional Commissioners (from churches entitled to more than one Elder Commissioner)	4
Churches not represented by an Elder Commissioner	54
Commissioned Lay Pastors	8
Elder Members of Coordinating Council	3
Presbytery Staff (not listed elsewhere)	3
Visitors	22
Total Attendance	<u>143</u>

QUORUM

Bill Reed, Acting Stated Clerk, stated the requirement for a quorum and announced that a quorum was present.

DOCKET

The docket was presented by the Acting Stated Clerk and was approved as presented. (*Appendix B*)

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY COMMITTEES

Presbytery Minutes: Recording Clerk, Acting Stated Clerk, Jackie Lindberg and Les Grooms

Resolutions: Beth Garrod-Logsdon and David Duggan.

It was noted that the two clerks constitute the Leave of Absence Committee

WELCOME

Melissa Sevier welcomed the Presbytery on behalf of the Versailles Presbyterian Church and made announcements of the arrangements made for the convenience of Presbytery.

HISTORY OF THE VERSAILLES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The history of the Versailles congregation was given by Lois Gaines in a PowerPoint presentation.

INTRODUCTIONS:

Commissioners who were attending for the first time and other guests were introduced. Corresponding members were enrolled.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following were approved on the Consent Agenda by the Presbytery. (*Appendix C*)

DECISION AGENDA

The minutes for the June Presbytery Meeting were reviewed and approved.

ORDER OF THE DAY

The Presbytery observed the 11:00 Order of the Day for small group discussion on "Hope". Susan Alley introduced the process to be used and gave instructions for the discussions.

DECISION AGENDA –(Continues)

The Presbytery convened again at 11:45 to continue the agenda.

Bill Reed, Acting Stated Clerk, reported the following resignations, and both were approved by the Presbytery:

Richard Guerrant from the Burnamwood Camp & Conference Committee

David Chumney from the Committee on Ministry

REPORT OF THE INTERIM GENERAL PRESBYTER

David McKee, Interim General Presbyter, gave a brief verbal report to the governing body.

REPORT OF THE COORDINATING COUNCIL

The Report of the Coordinating Council was presented by Bill Owens and the following recommendation was approved by presbytery:

WHEREAS, Transylvania Presbytery has within its boundaries 26 of the 200 poorest counties in the United States, and

WHEREAS, no other Presbytery in the United States has a greater number of these poorest counties, and

WHEREAS, First Presbyterian Church, Hazard (Perry County) has developed a working missional relationship with Hazard Perry County Housing Development Alliance,

WHEREAS, First Presbyterian Church, Hazard, and the Hazard Perry County Housing Development Alliance have examined data and determined that within the Breathitt, Knott, Leslie and Perry four county area there is a large, unmet need for affordable housing and special housing for the disabled, and

WHEREAS, God has called us to be the church in this part of God's kingdom, IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED, That Transylvania Presbytery take the following action:

1. That the Moderator of Transylvania Presbytery appoint a Task Force to explore the ways in which we, as member churches of Transylvania Presbytery, may effectively and cooperatively minister to our brothers and sisters in these areas of the state within our presbytery boundaries,
2. That the Task Force consider and explore options including, but not limited to:
 - (a) designating First Presbyterian Church, Hazard, as a Presbytery Mission Center, thereby focusing presbytery-wide resources to support the housing initiative already begun,
 - (b) researching potential interdenominational cooperation with poverty-related initiatives in this area, including the "Together for Hope" initiative of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship,
 - (c) creating dialogue with the Burnamwood Committee on possible ways to involve our Burnamwood facilities and program in this effort,
 - (d) contacting the national PC USA offices to identify existing and planned programs and resources for this effort,
 - (e) making a Presbytery Resource Center available in some form at First Presbyterian Church, Hazard, and
 - (f) placing a part-time Presbytery representative in the Hazard area.
3. That the Task Force report back to Presbytery at the December 2007 meeting with preliminary recommendations and finalize its recommendations by March 2008.
4. That all Presbyterians in Transylvania Presbytery be advised of this effort and join in daily prayer for the work of this Task Force and the children of God in these areas.

*Owsley, Clay, Martin, Magoffin, Wolfe, Knox, Breathitt, Leslie, Harlan, McCreary, Bell, Knott, Lawrence, Lee, Floyd, Jackson, Menifee, Wayne, Perry, Morgan, Letcher, Johnson, Estill, Whitley, Elliott- with poverty levels ranging from 45.4% (in Owsley) of the population to 25.9% (in Elliott)

ORDER OF THE DAY: LUNCH

The Presbytery recessed for the Order of the Day at 12:00 noon for lunch with a prayer giving thanks to God for His provisions.

ORDER OF THE DAY: COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

The Presbytery reconvened at 1:15 for the Order of the Day for the Report of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry. Allen Brimer, Candidate for Ordination, preached a sermon for the presbytery.

Tom Farmer reported for the Committee on Preparation for Ministry that it met with six Inquirer/Candidates in May for their annual reviews at the first spring retreat at Cliffview Retreat Center in Danville. Tom reported that the committee will host a fall retreat and annual reviews on October 14 and 15 at Cliffview. This is a new format developed to achieve greater success in the review and 'under care' process.

Mr. Farmer introduced Allen Brimer, Candidate for Ordination to the Presbytery. Mr. Brimer has been examined by the Committee as to his beliefs, knowledge and views of the Scriptures and his knowledge of the Book of Confessions and Book of Order. He was also asked questions on the floor of Presbytery. It was moved that his examination be sustained and the motion carried. Mr. Brimer will be ordained by Holston Presbytery in Morristown, Tennessee.

Joe Friend, Elder Commissioner of First Pikeville, requested that his "no" vote on Mr. Brimer's ordination be recorded.

REPORT OF THE COORDINATING COUNCIL, Continued from earlier in the day:

The following recommendation of the Council was recommended to presbytery and approved:

RESOLVED, that Transylvania Presbytery hereby appoints and authorizes its Board of Trustees to sell the 7.57+/- acres of vacant land at 2975 Polo Club Boulevard, Lexington, Kentucky, in a timely manner, within the following parameters:

1. that the Board of Trustees obtain a reliable and credible appraisal of the property to guide its actions,
2. that the Board of Trustees determine the manner and time of sale in an effort to realize the fair market value of the property,
3. that, if the Board of Trustees determines that there are market or other barriers to sale of this property, the Board report back to Presbytery as soon as possible, with Board recommendations for proceeding,
4. that the Board of Trustees execute a Deed of sale on behalf and all other necessary and desirable documents on behalf of Presbytery,
5. that the Board of Trustees administer the proceeds of sale by resolving all indebtedness and other obligations relating to the sale,
6. that the Board of Trustees deposit the proceeds of the sale in the Presbytery account which it deems most suitable, and

7. that the Board of Trustees report to the Coordinating Council and to Presbytery the amount of net proceeds available to Presbytery at the conclusion of the sale process.

The following recommendation of the Council was also recommended to presbytery and approved: That Staff Services & the Burnamwood Committee be authorized to work together to form an Executive Camp Director Search Committee and bring these names to Council for approval. The minutes of the August meeting of the Coordinating Council were presented and on motion approved.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

The report of the Committee on Ministry was presented by Richard Smith, Chair. The report was approved as follow:

The COM made the following report of Actions taken and Actions Recommended.

Actions taken by the COM:

1. Approved Ned Beckes' interim contract with 1st PC, Richmond. The terms are as follows: Salary \$24,000, Housing \$26,000, Auto Lease and Insurance \$4,800, Auto/Travel \$2,650, Books \$1,200, Continuing Ed. \$5,625, Professional Expenses \$4,800, Social Security offset \$3,750, BOP dues \$16,425, Additional Life Ins. \$1,750. Start date September 1, 2007.
2. Received the following as minister members of the Presbytery
 - a. Allen Brimer (pending his ordination by Holston Pby)
 - b. Ned Beckes from Mid South Presbytery effective 8/27/07
 - c. Ryan Shrauner from The Cascades Presbytery (also placed on pulpit supply list) effective 8/27/07
 - d. Griffith Matthews (HR) from Western North Carolina Presbytery (also placed on pulpit supply list) effective 8/27/07
 - e. Charles McGaha (HR) from Huntingdon Presbytery effective 8/27/07
3. Approved Rev. Rene Whitaker, National Presbytery, for the pulpit supply list.
4. Approved renewals of stated supply contracts for the following:
Susan Warren at Lawrenceburg, Susanne Martin at Salem and Rusty Butler at Somerset, Pisgah.
5. Approved the contract between Lay Pastors Gayle and Tom Burns and the Buckhorn Lake Area church; the exact details of their contracts to be worked out prior to the Presbytery meeting and approved the commissioning recommended below. Details of the contract will be recorded in the October Committee on Ministry minutes.
6. Approved the work of the following seven ministers as validated ministries: Bill Deutsch, Wayne Gnatuk, Howard Moffett, Jack Robinson, Steve Rhodes, Ron Spoelman, John White.

7. Granted the Morehead, Maysville and Meadowthorpe churches permission to elect PNCs.
8. Authorized Julie Maggard to moderate the Maysville session at its September meeting.
9. Approved a new 90 day renewable temporary supply contract between Stewart Schneider and the Bellefonte Community Church. (Schneider is the Disciples of Christ equivalent of a CLP.)
10. Dismissed Mark Broadhead to Florida Presbytery effective 8/12/07, Claire Brooks to South Louisiana Presbytery effective 7/1/07, Joyce Shin to Chicago Presbytery effective 6/12/07, Rob Blumer to Foothills Presbytery effective 4/22/07, Katherine Redmond to Mid Kentucky Presbytery effective 7/10/07.
11. Approved Allen Brimer's call to 1st PC, Somerset. Those terms being: Cash Salary: \$30,000, Housing \$15,000, Supplement for Social Security Tax \$3,442.50, Full Board of Pensions dues \$14,175, Auto expense up to \$3,600, Continuing Education Allowance \$1,200, four weeks vacation, two weeks study leave, Two "long weekends" approved by session. Start date September 1, 2007.
12. Approved the terms of call for Rev. Gaither Bailey at 1st PC, Georgetown. The proposed terms of call are Salary \$20,000, Housing \$20,000, Travel \$2,000, Continuing Ed. \$1,500, FICA \$3,060, Bd of Pensions dues \$13,600, four wks. vacation, two wks. study leave plus moving expenses. The effective date is September 30, 2007
13. Approved the dissolution of the pastoral relationship of Charles Schantz and Faith Presbyterian Church effective July 8, 2007.

Actions recommended to the Presbytery by COM:

- A. That Gayle and Tom Burns be commissioned to serve the Buckhorn Lakes Area PC, with the authority to perform all functions mentioned at Book of Order G-14.0800c. (Administer sacraments, moderate the session, voice and vote at Pby meetings, conduct marriages). Tom and Gail's affirmative answers to the constitutional questions were approved and they were given a charge by the Moderator and extended the right hand of fellowship on behalf of the Presbytery.
- B. That Rev. Howard Moffett be granted the status of honorably retired as of October 1, 2007. Rollin Tarter was recognized by the Moderator to express on behalf of Presbytery a deep appreciation that is held by all for Mr. Moffett's ministry. He has been a special friend to the children of our area, and he has had a committed ministry of care for children.
- C. That the changes in the terms of call reflected in (*Appendix D*) be approved with the regret that a number of churches have not submitted the appropriate data.
- D. That moderators be appointed as follows: David McKee at Maysville, Geary Scott at Morehead and Jane Bond at Canada.
- E. That the following Commission be appointed to install

- a. Gaither Bailey at FPC Georgetown on November 4th at 4PM. Installation Commission to consist of Howard Moffett (clergy), Richard Smith (clergy), Sam Pendergrast (clergy), Jeff Schmidt (elder, Georgetown), Marilyn Daniels (elder, Maxwell Street.).
- b. Allen Brimer at FPC Somerset on September 30th at 5 PM. Installation Commission to consist of Bill Reed (elder), Bill Putman (elder, London), Susanna Hall (elder, Somerset), Eric Mount (clergy), David McKee (clergy), Rusty Butler (clergy), Jack Wilhelm (clergy).

The above actions recommended by the Committee on Ministry were approved.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Report of the Nominating Committee was presented and approved as follows. There were no nominations from the floor.

COM Jennifer Johnson, Minister; Ashland, First; 2009

CPM Allen Brimer, Minister; Somerset, First; 2008

2008 General Assembly Commissioners:

Female Clergy Commissioner 1st Alternate, Jackie Lindberg, Honorably Retired

Male Elder Commissioner 2nd Alternate, Danny Maggard, Hazard, First

Female Elder Commissioner 2nd Alternate, Barbara Morgan, Winchester, First

REPORT OF BURNAMWOOD COMMITTEE

The Report of the Burnamwood Committee was presented the Chair, Woody Berry. (*Appendix E*) The report was approved as follows:

It was recommended to Presbytery to recognize with thanksgiving the many years of service given by Richard Guerrant to Burnamwood; he is retiring from the Committee (but not from serving the camp) at the age of 81. Rev. Guerrant encouraged folks to continue to support Burnamwood.

THE REPORT OF SOCIAL WITNESS AND MISSION

The Report of Social Witness and Mission was presented by Jon Martin. A power point presentation was given about the need for water in many areas of Central and South America and the work done by the “Living Water for the World” project.

REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION FOR SHARPSBURG

The Report of the Sharpsburg Commission was presented by Sam Pendergrast and was approved as follows:

The Sharpsburg Commission recommended the dissolution of the Sharpsburg Presbyterian Church. The members of the church expressed concern to the Commission about what would happen to the building if they were dissolved. They want the building to remain a church and would like the Kentucky Mountain Holiness Association, which has expressed interest in the building, to be allowed to purchase the building. They do not want the property auctioned. The commission concurred with the members that the preferred method of disposing of the property would be to sell the property to the

Kentucky Mountain Holiness Association and would recommend such action to the Trustees. The Commission also recommends that the Trustees bring back a recommendation to the December Presbytery meeting regarding the disposition of the property.

The Commission transferred the membership of Steve and Angie Smathers to the Old Springfield church pending their reception by Old Springfield.

A closing worship service was discussed. The group decided that the best option would be to recognize the witness of the Sharpsburg Presbyterian Church at the Presbytery meeting in Lexington on December 1st, 2007. The Commission Moderator, Sam Pendergrast, will work with members of the Sharpsburg Church and others on the commission to plan this recognition of the ministry of the Sharpsburg Church.

REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION FOR ST. HELENS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Report of the Administrative Commission for St. Helens Presbyterian Church was received. (*Appendix F*)

David Rule spoke about the church's history. The St. Helen's Commission recommended the dissolution of the St. Helen's Presbyterian Church. Approved.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Report of the Trustees was presented by George Moore. The Trustees received a request from the Versailles Presbyterian Church to sell property known as the Elmore Farm property. The Trustees recommended approving the sale of this property. Approved.

THE REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

The Report of the Presbyterian Women was given by Betty Jean Donaldson. The report was received as information. (*Appendix G*)

THE REPORT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

The Report of Administration and Finance was presented by Catesby Woodford. The report was received as information. (*Appendix H*)

THE REPORT OF PRESBYTERY'S THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION FUND REPRESENTATIVE

The Report of Presbytery's Theological Education Fund was presented by Jerry Utt. He reminded the Presbytery that Sept. 16th was Theological Education Sunday and reminded congregations to participate. Certificates were presented to Transylvania congregations that participated in 2006. The Congregations were:

The Presbyterian Church,	Danville, KY
First Church,	Lexington, KY
First Church	Richmond, KY
Mr. Horeb	Lexington, KY

Graham Memorial
Pisgah Church
Cynthiana

Whitesburg, KY
Versailles, KY
Cynthiana, KY

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The Report of the Resolutions Committee was presented by Beth Garrod-Logsdon and adopted as follows:

Be it resolved that the Presbytery of Transylvania had its meeting September 11, 2007, in Versailles, KY at Versailles Presbyterian Church.

Whereas we are joyous to gather together our extended family of Presbyterians church at one time and in one place worshipping together remembering and celebrating our baptism into the life, death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

Whereas we were blessed by the hospitality of Versailles Presbyterian Church with open arms of welcome, delightful food and generous kindness,

Whereas we shared our thoughts and reflections on the meaning of our hope in God through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit,

Whereas we welcomed new ministers to our Presbytery, honored retiring and retired ministers, and celebrated the years of ministry of Sharpsburg Presbyterian Church and St. Helen's Presbyterian Church

Whereas as we continue our call to reach out to those burdened by poverty, seeking to be hands and feet of Christ in this time and place,

Whereas we commit ourselves to the missions and ministries of this presbytery and the larger church that make a difference in the lives of men, women and children,

We, therefore give thanks and praise to God –Father, Son and Holy Spirit- for the gifts and blessings bestowed upon us that we may be called the children of God living our lives as individuals and as a community according God's ways and seeking to fulfill God's great commission to the world.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no new or unfinished business, the motion was made and adopted to stand adjourned following the prayer and benediction until the next stated meeting of Presbytery on Friday, November 30th at 6:30 p.m. at the Springs Inn in Lexington and Saturday, December 1st at 9:00 a.m. at Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church, Lexington. The meeting was closed with prayer led by the Moderator.

Respectfully submitted,
William M. Reed, Acting Stated Clerk

