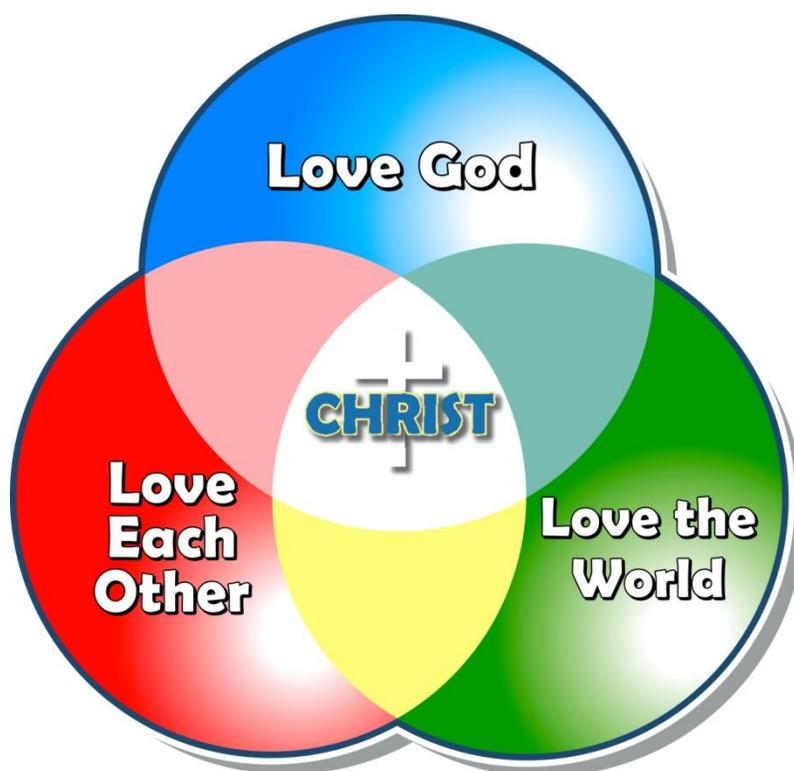


Reports to the Presbytery of Florida Spring Stated Meeting

Tuesday, May 16, 2017
9 a.m. CDT/10 a.m. EDT

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Supplemental Report from the Stated Clerk

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2 May 9, 2017

3 **Notice of called meeting:**

4 I received a written request, signed by 2 Teaching Elders and 2 Ruling Elders of different
5 churches, requesting a called meeting for Sunday, June 25, 2017 at 4:00 PM (Central). The
6 meeting will be at Gulf Breeze Presbyterian Church for the purpose of examining Brian Yount,
7 candidate for ordination as Associate Pastor at Trinity, Pensacola. The meeting will include a
8 sermon by Brian Yount followed by the examination.

9 Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE OF A CALLED MEETING FOR THE PRESBYTERY OF FLORIDA

In accordance with the Manual of Operations, a called meeting for the Presbytery of Florida has been scheduled for Sunday, June 25, 2017, at Gulf Breeze Presbyterian Church, at 4 p.m. CDT. The purpose of the meeting is to :

Examine Brian Campbell Yount for ordination

A docket with a detailed report regarding the above matters will be electronically mailed no later than June 12, 2017.


Teaching Elder


Teaching Elder


Ruling Elder


Ruling Elder

Villa International Board of Directors Report

It has been more than five years since Florida has had a representative to the Board of Directors of Villa International. Many will remember Norma Johnson, whose enthusiasm for and dedication to this ministry was an extraordinary example of Christian service. The mission of Villa is significant and bears witness to God's love for the world as it: "creates a safe community of mutual respect and hospitality, encourages friendship and global understanding and promotes the health and wellness of the world." I attended my first Board of Directors meeting in March of this year, and I am honored to be able to serve as one of six representatives from the Synod of the South Atlantic.

Brochures and information about Villa International illustrate it as a welcoming, homey place surrounded by gardens. Villa is a five minute walk from the Center for Disease Control, where many of the residents of Villa work and study. While impressive, there is nothing homey or welcoming about this corridor of the CDC complex. This whole area, like much of Atlanta, is intimidating!

Atlanta can be a frightening and daunting city, especially for international visitors working long hours in unfamiliar surroundings. Finding a place to live can often be a discouraging experience. Being able to afford housing, when a month's rent is often more than the guest's entire annual salary, can be a deal breaker. In response to these obstacles, Villa International was created. Seven Christian denominations* joined together to create a welcoming community where visitors can mingle with other residents and find acceptance, respect, and the comforts of home.

Villa International is a 33-room residence founded in 1967 and launched in 1970 with funding from the Women of the Church, Presbyterian Church (US), now called Presbyterian Women of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A). Since the doors opened in 1972, Villa has hosted over 25,000 residents from 147 countries. Residents are primarily international researchers at the Center for Disease Control and the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University, but also include many others, such as public health professionals, interning doctors, students and seminarians.

The Villa experience combines the privacy and affordability of a hotel with the community and fellowship of a traditional guest house. Residents stay in private or shared rooms, each with a private bath, and are able to cook their own meals. Villa is not the Ritz hotel, nor is it spanking brand new or lush. It is a small and intimate residence and from reports of previous residents, it is safe and comfortable and feels like home.

Villa provides informal opportunities for fellowship between international residents and the local community, through numerous planned activities, including community dinners, English classes and group outings to local attractions. There is a 14 person van that ferries residents to the supermarket, doctors' appointments, classes and more. There are also volunteer drivers from the Atlanta churches who provide reliable service for the residents on a weekly or as needed basis.

The community of Villa strengthens the research and work of the residents, and encourages friendships and professional networking that cross geographical, political and cultural borders. Villa represents the Christian faith to the World through its mission of hospitality, healing and peacemaking. Villa **promises a peaceful, friendly community where guests can come home at the end of the day.**

I look forward to providing the Presbytery with more specific, in depth information as my tenure as a Board member continues and as my knowledge of the ministry grows.

Respectfully submitted,

Toya O'Hora, Member, Board of Directors Villa International

*Disciples of Christ, Episcopal Church (U.S.), United Church of Christ, United Methodist Church, Roman Catholic Church, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and Evangelical Lutheran Church (U.S.)

Supplemental Report from the Committee on Ministry

For information:

- Examined and approved Ruling Elder Glenn Hodges as eligible to serve as a Commissioned Ruling Elder.
 - Examined and approved Ruling Elder Tanya Fernandes as eligible to serve as a Commissioned Ruling Elder.
 - Approved a contract between Navarre Presbyterian Church and RE Larry Plank and RE Tanya Fernandes to serve as Co-Commissioned Ruling Elders at 1/8 time each.
 - Entered into record
 - Minutes of Examination Commission with Robert Quiring on April 4.
 - Minutes of Commission to Ordain Linda Pitts on April 23.
 - Installation Commission for Janice Fraser.
 - Minutes of Commission to Install Janice Fraser on April 30.
 - Triannual Report of Joanne Kublik, CRE First-DeFuniak Springs.
 - Minutes of Examination of Sheldon Steen, Director of Ukirk
 - Examined Brian Yount candidate for Associate Pastor at Trinity-Pensacola and ordination. A called meeting of Presbytery has been requested for June 25 for him to preach and be examined on the floor of Presbytery.
 - Approved the CRE Contract between Joanne Kublik and First-DeFuniak Springs.
 - Approve a request from Rev. Frank Beall to be placed on the Pulpit Supply List.
 - Misconduct Prevention Training will be held June 13 at Christ-Tallahassee and June 14 at Gulf Breeze Presbyterian Church from 10 am to 2 pm.
 - The Administrative Commission for Pleasant Grove continues its work.
 - Continuing conversations with JuSeob Yan re: Presbyterian Ordination (Korean NCD-Tallahassee)
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- Update on Shalimar Dissolution
 - Approved a recommendation to the PLT that Presbytery hire an attorney to defend the interest of the Presbytery in this situation.

For action:

- 1) Commission RE Larry Plank and RE Tanya Fernandes to the Navarre Presbyterian Church.
- 2) Grant the status of Honorably Retired to Rev. Mary Vance (Fellowship-Tallahassee) effective May 1, 2018. A service of recognition to be done at a future Presbytery meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Broadhead, Committee Chair