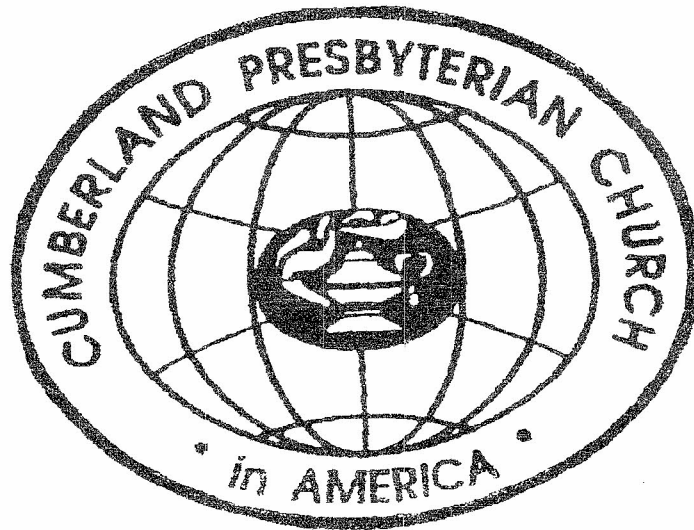


SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

2019 Summer Huntsville Presbytery
Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America



Meeting
July 15-19, 2019
Church Street CPCA
228 Church Street NW
Huntsville, Alabama 35801

The Reverend Terence Haley, Moderator
The Reverend Barbara Clemons, Vice Moderator
The Reverend Dr. Theodis Acklin, Stated Clerk
Sister Vanessa Collier, Engrossing Clerk

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The following SUMMARY is a brief description of the actions taken by the 2019 Summer Huntsville Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America, July 15-19, 2019. This SUMMARY is not intended to be nor is it, the authoritative document for guiding the Presbytery's actions. The intent is to summarize the work of the Huntsville Presbytery. The Huntsville Presbytery MINUTES serve as that authority. Note: These actions are the results of the presented and adopted reports of the standing boards/committees and select committees of the Huntsville Presbytery and not the minutes. This is a SUMMARY OF ACTIONS ONLY. This SUMMARY is provided as a courtesy of the Huntsville Presbytery.

The 2019 Summer Huntsville Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America, meeting July 15, 18 and 19, 2019 accomplished the following actions:

Host: Church Street CPCA

Host Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Mitchell Walker, Sr.

Theme: "Walk in Love" Ephesians 5:1-2

Organizational Matters

1. **THE HUNTSVILLE PRESBYTERY WAS CONSTITUTED** on Monday night, July 15, 2019 with thirty-seven (37) ministers, and twenty (20) elder representatives. Friday, July 19, 2019 forty-eight (48) ministers and twenty-five (25) elder representatives were present. One (1) licentiate and two (2) YADs were also present. The Reverend James Childress prayed the Constitutional Prayer.
2. **HEARD OPENING WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**, presented by the Moderator, the Reverend Terence Haley, message from Ephesians 5:1-2, "Walk in Love". The Reverend Barbara Clemons served as Liturgist. The Reverend Virginia Washington and the Reverend Dr. Mitchell Walker, Sr., served as Holy Communion Celebrants, Monday, July 15, 2019.
3. **ADOPTED** the Agenda with the addition of the Proposed Plan for Union in the second business session.

4. **RECEIVED/REFERRED TO THE COM** communications addressed to the Body in regards to absentees. Communication from the Florence Presbytery dismissing the Reverend Willie Montgomery, Jr. Credentials from the Reverend Stella Rhett. A Letter of Call from Cedar Grove CPCA for the Reverend Dr. W. Carol Franklin to become their pastor.
5. **RECEIVED/ADOPTED** a communication from New Hope CPCA requesting the pastoral relationship between the Reverend Ernestine Gordon be dissolved and that Minister Burgess Ewing be installed as pastor of New Hope CPCA, Sunday, August 11, 2019 at 2:00 P.M.
6. **RECEIVED/REFERRED TO THE BOB&F** a \$150.00 donation to the Huntsville Presbytery from the Usher's Union.
7. **RECEIVED** a thank you card from the National Sunday School Convention.
8. **APPOINTED** Select Committees.
9. **RECEIVED** excellent hospitality from the host church, Church Street CPCA.
10. **AFFIRMED** the 2020 meeting of the Summer Huntsville Presbytery to convene in Huntsville, AL with the Madkins Chapel CPCA to serve as host.

ELECTIONS

11. **ELECTED** the Reverend Barbara Clemons, Moderator, and the Reverend Tramaine Snodgrass, Vice Moderator of the Huntsville Presbytery. Elder Thomas Small, Elder Ralph Redrick and the Reverend Dorothy Tiller to the Board of Judiciary. The Reverend Terence Haley, the Reverend Endia Scruggs and the Reverend John Rice to the Committee on Ministry. Elder Burl Peterson to the Committee on Christian Education. Elder John Collier to the Board of Budget and Finance. The Reverend Juliette Fikes to the Historical Committee. Submitted as nominees for the Alabama Synod the Reverend Endia Scruggs, Vice Moderator, Elder Ralph Redrick, Chair of the Committee on Banking, Elder Dr. Joe Ward, Board of Judiciary, member-at-large, the Reverend Dr. Theodis Acklin, Committee on Nomination, the Reverend Terence Haley and Elder Walter Jones Committee on Banking.
12. **ELECTED COMMISSIONERS/YADS** to the 145th General Assembly
The 145th General Assembly will meet in Louisville, Kentucky.
Minister Commissioners
The Reverend Barbara Clemons-Moderator
The Reverend Tramaine Snodgrass-Vice Moderator
The Reverend Endia Scruggs
The Reverend Dr. Edward L. Anderson

Minister Alternate Commissioners

The Reverend Ernestine Gordon-1st Alternate

The Reverend James Robinson-2nd Alternate

Elder Commissioners

Elder Minnie Jones

Elder Franklin Fletcher

Elder Charles Bradley

Elder Dr. John Humphrey

Elder Alternate Commissioners

Elder Larry Gopher-1st Alternate

Elder Leroy Daniels-2nd Alternate

YADS

Kayla Parham

Ebony Scott

REPORTS

13. **REFERRED** the Moderator's Report, Vice Moderator's Report, Stated Clerk's Report, Engrossing Clerk's Report, the Huntsville Presbytery Executive Board's Report, and the Curators' Report, to the Select Committee on Executive Review.
14. **REFERRED BOARD/COMMITTEES/AUXILIARY REPORTS** to the appropriate select committee.
15. **ADOPTED THE BOARD OF BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT**
16. **ADOPTED THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT**
 - ADOPTED Recommendation #1:** The Huntsville Presbytery affirm that the newly revised *CPCA School of continuing Education (SCE) Course Catalog* and the newly revised *CPCA Presbyterial Committee on Ministry Resource Handbook* serve as Huntsville Presbytery's current guidance. The HPCOM will request a time to present this to Church Session Representatives to include Pastors and Elders.
 - ADOPTED Recommendation #2:** The Huntsville Presbytery affirm the CPCA SCE will assume the administration of **The Practicum** as approved at the 144th General Assembly, so that it will be standardized across the denomination.
 - ADOPTED Recommendation #3:** The Huntsville Presbytery affirm the constitution section regarding no one is ordained unless they are called to a church or to a ministry approved by the presbytery, *Per Confession of Faith, Constitution 6.31: "Ordination is the setting apart of a licentiate to the full work of the gospel ministry. Since the ordained ministry is the highest ecclesiastical office of the church, presbyteries shall be careful to ordain no one until fully satisfied with his or her qualifications for so important a work. A licentiate shall be ordained only if he or she has a call to a church or to a ministry approved by the presbytery. Presbyteries shall not feel obligated to ordain a licentiate*

because of long tenure as such, nor continue him or her longer that there is promise of usefulness.”

ADOPTED Recommendation #4: The Huntsville Presbytery affirm that the following Candidates for Ministry be licensed in the Summer Presbytery, July 2019: Sister Rosemarilyn Gibson and Sister Deniecee Pettaway.

17. ADOPTED THE BOARD OF JUDICIARY REPORT

18. ADOPTED HP COMMISSION TO NEW HEAVEN CPCA REPORT

ADOPTED the Recommendation that the Huntsville Presbytery Commission to New Heaven continues to work with New Heaven CPCA since it believes that its work is quickly nearing its completion with the church Session. However, there are a few areas that the Session, under the guidance of the Commission has begun. Specifically, approving the Pastor’s contract, drafting Bylaws/Standard Operating Procedures (SOP), drafting a mission statement, and training on best practices for church recordkeeping/bookkeeping. The Commission will work diligently and expeditiously to assist with these action items so the church Session can again operate as spiritual and administrative leaders of New Heaven Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America.

19. DISSOLVED THE COMMISSION TO NEW HOPE CPCA (Commission Report will be forwarded to the Huntsville Presbytery Executive Board (HPEB).

20. ADOPTED THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS TO THE 144th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SELECT COMMITTEE REPORTS

21. ADOPTED THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL RECORDS REPORT

CONCURRED with the recommendation to add a line item of \$500.00 to the Presbytery’s budget for the annual cook-off from the Board of Budget and Finance.

22. ADOPTED THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

CONCURRED with the recommendation that all congregations establish a Committee on Christian Education

23. ADOPTED THE EXECUTIVE REVIEW REPORT

Huntsville Presbytery Executive Board’s Report: CONCURRED with the recommendations and the 2018 Congregational Reports.

Recommendation #1 that the Huntsville Presbytery dissolves the Committee on Continuing Education because it duplicates many of the functions and responsibilities of both the Committee on Ministry (COM) and the School of Method (SOM). **Recommendation #2** that each Huntsville Presbytery Auxiliary sends to the Presbytery the names of the delegates that were duly elected at their

annual Summer Presbytery meeting before the close of the Presbytery on Friday. **Recommendation #3** that the Huntsville Presbytery Cumberland Presbyterian Youth Fellowship (HPCPYF) be realigned to the Committee on Christian Education (COCE) and that Bylaws for the Huntsville Presbytery Cumberland Presbyterian Youth Fellowship (HPCPYF) be written and submitted to the Presbytery for approval.

HP Council: No Report. The select committee recommended that this council identify their relevant responsibilities according to the By-Laws of the Huntsville Presbytery Constitution.

24. **HISTORICAL COMMITTEE REPORT** No Report
25. **ADOPTED THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS REPORT** with the necessary corrections
26. **ADOPTED THE MISSION AND EVANGELISM, MISSIONARY SOCIETY, JR. MISSIONARY SOCIETY REPORT**
27. **ADOPTED THE HUNTSVILLE PRESBYTERY SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION AND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP REPORT**
28. **ADOPTED THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH SESSION RECORD BOOKS (Committee #1 and #2) REPORT**
29. **ADOPTED THE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE REPORT**
MEMORIALIZED and **THANKED** God for the life of our deceased members since the last Presbytery. A Memorial Service was held to memorialize the life of the following, the Reverend Dr. Henry Bradford, Jr., Elder Robert Drake, Union Hill CPCA and Elder Frank James Robinson, Jr., Madkins Chapel CPCA in the 2019 Summer Huntsville Presbytery.
30. **HEARD/ADOPTED** the **Resolution of Thanks** to Church Street CPCA for hosting the 2019 Summer Huntsville Presbytery.

OTHER MATTERS OF THE PRESBYTERY

31. **PROPOSED PLAN OF UNION**
PARTICIPATED in a mandatory training/workshop on the Proposed Plan of Union, Thursday, July 18, 2019 that was facilitated by Elder Vanessa Midgett, the Reverend Dr. Mitchell Walker, Sr., and Elder Craig White.

APPROVED that the vote on the Proposed Plan of Union will be taken at the Spring Huntsville Presbytery.

**32. FUTURE MEETING PLACES OF THE SUMMER HUNTSVILLE
PRESBYTERY**

2020: Madkins Chapel CPCA

2021: Mt. Zion CPCA

2022: Bright Hope CPCA

33. ADOPTED the 2019 Summer Huntsville Presbytery Minutes.

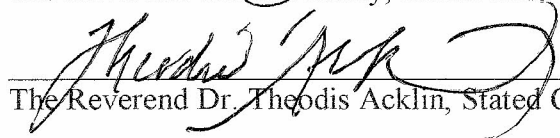
34. LICENSING: The Huntsville Presbytery licensed Sister Deniecee Pettaway and Sister Rosemarilyn Gibson to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ in this session of the Huntsville Presbytery, July 19, 2019.

35. ADJOURNED at 5:19 P.M., to meet next year with the Summer Huntsville Presbytery on Monday, July 13-17, 2020 in Huntsville, Alabama with Madkins Chapel CPCA serving as host.

Humbly Submitted,



The Reverend Terence Haley, Moderator



The Reverend Dr. Theodis Acklin, Stated Clerk