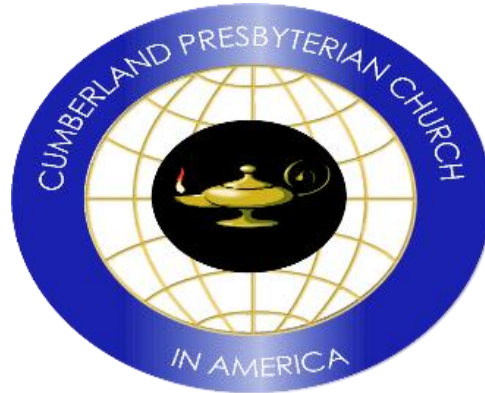


SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

**2022 Summer Huntsville Presbytery
Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America**



**Meeting
July 18-22, 2022
Madkins Chapel CPCA
2403 Oakwood Road NW
Huntsville, Alabama 35810**

**The Reverend Dr. Barbara Clemons, Moderator
The Reverend Tramaine Snodgrass, Vice Moderator
The Reverend Dr. Theodis Acklin, Stated Clerk
Sister Vanessa Collier, Engrossing Clerk**

**The Huntsville Presbytery
Of the
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The following SUMMARY is a brief description of the actions taken by the 2022 Summer Huntsville Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America, July 18-22, 2022. 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 2022 Summer Huntsville Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America, meeting July 18, 19, 21 and 22, 2022 accomplished the following actions:

Host: Madkins Chapel CPCA

Host Pastor: The Reverend Endia J. Scruggs

Theme: "Redemption: God's Plan in Action" Jeremiah 29:11

Organizational Matters

1. **THE HUNTSVILLE PRESBYTERY WAS CONSTITUTED** on Monday night, July 18, 2022. A quorum of ordained ministers and elder representatives was ascertained by show of hands. Friday, July 22, 2022 thirty-six (36) ministers and twenty-three (23) elder representatives were present. One (1) licentiate was present. There wasn't any Youth Advisory Delegates (YADs) present. The Reverend Dr. Edward Anderson prayed the Constitutional Prayer.
2. **HEARD OPENING WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**, presented by the Moderator, the Reverend Dr. Barbara Clemons, message from Jeremiah 29:11, "Redemption, A Plan of Action". The Reverend Tramaine Snodgrass served as Liturgist. The Reverend Janice Eason and the Reverend James Robinson served as Holy Communion Celebrants, Monday, July 18, 2022.
3. **ADOPTED** the Agenda with the addition of the Constitutional Prayer and Licensing.
4. **RECEIVED/REFERRED TO THE COM** communications addressed to the Body in regards to absentees. Communications from New Hope CPCA Church Session issuing a

Call in the Ministry of Christian Education to Licentiate Jenary Rainey, a Call in the Ministry of Mission and Evangelism to Licentiate Sharon Warner and requesting Sister Rose Nance be enrolled in the School of Continuing Education.

5. **RECEIVED** a Resolution of Thanks from the Huntsville Presbytery Sunday School Convention to Madkins Chapel CPCA for their superb hospitality.
6. **RECEIVED** a Resolution of Thanks from the Select Committee on Resolution of Thanks from the 145th General Assembly to Moderator Reverend Dr. Theodis Acklin, the 145th General Assembly, Moderator Reverend Dr. Barbara Clemons and the Huntsville Presbytery for their warm and generous hospitality.
7. **APPOINTED** Select Committees.
8. **RECEIVED** excellent hospitality from the host church, Madkins Chapel CPCA.
9. **RECEIVED** Ms. Kathy Warner-Stanton's, Democratic Candidate for Congress, District 5 address to the Presbytery.
10. **AFFIRMED** the 2023 meeting of the Summer Huntsville Presbytery to convene in Madison, AL with the Mt. Zion CPCA to serve as host.

ELECTIONS

11. **ELECTED** by acclamation all persons eligible for re-election on Huntsville Presbytery Boards and Committees.

12. **ELECTED COMMISSIONERS/YADS** to the 146th General Assembly
The 146th General Assembly will meet in Chicago, Illinois.

Minister Commissioners

The Reverend Barbara Clemons-Moderator
The Reverend Tramaine Snodgrass-Vice Moderator
The Reverend Dr. Dorothy Tiller
The Reverend Byron McGlathery

Minister Alternate Commissioner

The Reverend Burgess Ewing

Elder Commissioners

Elder Phil Drake
Elder Bibb Collier
Elder Franklin Fletcher
Elder Patricia Ward

Elder Alternate Commissioner

Elder Dr. Anthony Toney

YADS

There wasn't any Youth Advisory Delegates present.

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/AUXILARY REPORTS to the appropriate select committee.

15. ADOPTED THE BOARD OF BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORTS

ADOPTED Recommendation: The Confession of Faith (Huntsville Presbytery's Constitution and Bylaws) requires the original receipt or invoice for reimbursement to be submitted prior to issuance of all checks. Advanced check request will require the recipient to turn in original receipt (s) or letter from organization that received the donation within 14 days or no later than 30 days. Develop a standard form for budgetary needs to be by boards, committees, and auxiliaries. Budget requests should be shared with the Board of Budget and Finance as well as the Stated Clerk. **Narrative on the Louise Garth Scholarship:** After the topic of the Louise Garth Scholarship was brought up, the Board of Budget and Finance researched the issue during the break. The Board of Budget and Finance identified the last two scholarships issued. One on 19 September 2018, our records showing the recipient to be determined. The second was issued on 26 August 2019 to Motlow State Community College, for Jakala Wilson. In December of 2019, Motlow State CC returned funds to this body and it was deposited to the Huntsville Presbytery bank account (Regions) on 10 December 2019. This refund would not show on the current year report, but was captured on the December 2019 report. Therefore, there is \$2,000 available to be awarded for the Garth Scholarship.

16. ADOPTED THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT

ADOPTED Recommendation #1: Reverend William Robinson remain on the Huntsville Presbytery Committee on Ministry in an advisory position as **Member Emeritus** and his regular member vacancy be filled as scheduled.

ADOPTED Recommendation #2: Recommends the following be licensed by the Huntsville Presbytery to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ: Sister Annie Lois Caudle-New Hope CPCA and Elder Loraine Parker-Moses Temple CPCA.

ADOPTED Recommendation #3: Approval of a Letter of Commendation and Monetary Award for Elder Stephanie Gilkes for Delivery of Exemplary Service as a Member of the Huntsville Presbytery Committee on Ministry. A \$500.00 stipend to Elder Stephanie Gilkes was approved by the Presbytery.

17. ADOPTED THE BOARD OF JUDICIARY REPORT

18. ADOPTED HP COMMISSION TO MT. SINAI CPCA REPORT

ADOPTED the Request that the Huntsville Presbytery ratify the Commission's action to dissolve the relationship between Reverend Beechel Grays and the Mt. Sinai Church.

19. ADOPTED THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS TO THE 145th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SELECT COMMITTEE REPORTS

20. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL RECORDS REPORT

CONCURRED with the recommendation from the Board of Budget and Finance that The Confession of Faith (Huntsville Presbytery's Constitution and Bylaws) requires the original receipt or invoice for reimbursement to be submitted prior to issuance of all checks. Advanced check request will require the recipient to turn in original receipt (s) or letter from organization that received the donation within 14 days or no later than 30 days. Develop a standard form for budgetary needs to be by boards, committees, and auxiliaries. Budget requests should be shared with the Board of Budget and Finance as well as the Stated Clerk.

21. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

CONCURRED with the recommendation from the Committee on Christian Education that all congregations establish a Committee on Christian Education and if needed ask for assistance from the Committee on Christian Education of the Huntsville Presbytery. **RECOMMENDED** monthly or quarterly meeting by Zoom. **RECOMMENDED** another evaluation to determine the educational needs within each Church within the Huntsville Presbytery to strengthen our ability in Christian Education.

22. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE REVIEW REPORT

Moderator's Report: **NON-CONCURRED** with recommendation I, The Huntsville Presbytery extends its meeting to end on Saturday at noon, providing ample time to complete the work necessary without rushing through important issues to finish by Friday. Note: Saturday will continue to include ordination service when needed. **ADOPTED** to utilize Thursday afternoon and use Saturday, if necessary, instead of extending the Presbytery to Saturday. **CONCURRED** with recommendation #II, all persons elected to serve on standing committees be trained as to what the committee is designed to do and how they should serve as committee members. The Education Committee will be responsible for the training. **CONCURRED** with recommendation #III, Establish an Adhoc Committee to study/revise, if needed, the standing committees' and auxiliaries' duties/function/responsibilities to fit the church's concerns during these times of cultural and divisive changes. **CONCURRED** with recommendation #IV, Establish a permanent Huntsville Presbytery Celebratory Choir. **Huntsville Presbytery Executive Board's Report:** **CONCURRED** with recommendation #1, that the Huntsville Presbytery approve the Proposed Huntsville Presbytery Purchasing Policy. **CONCURRED** with recommendation #2, that the Huntsville Presbytery stop the past practice of giving plaques to individuals for serving nine years on Huntsville Presbytery Boards and Committees.

- 23. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON HISTORY REPORT** This committee recommended that the Huntsville Presbytery Historical Committee return to work as soon as possible.
- 24. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS REPORT** This committee recommended that all churches submit the same version of the congregation report. Note: currently there are two versions of the report being used. This committee also recommended that all churches who submit congregational forms complete them in their entirety.
- 25. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON MISSION AND EVANGELISM, MISSIONARY SOCIETY, JR. MISSIONARY SOCIETY REPORT** **Committee on Mission and Evangelism Report:** CONCURRED with request that the long-time relationship with First Stop, Tent City and The Rose of Sharon be considered and that the Huntsville Presbytery will suspend such-the rule and grant the request/permission to allow The Committee on Mission and Evangelism to continue supporting this particular group of homeless people and camps. **Missionary Society Report:** No report.
- 26. ADOPTED THE SELECT CPMMITTEE ON HUNTSVILLE PRESBYTERY SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION AND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP REPORT**
- 27. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON CHURCH SESSION RECORD BOOKS (Committee #1 and #2) REPORT**
- 28. 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, Elder James Baker, Sr., Briar Fork CPCA, Elder Jessie Edward, Blackburn Chapel CPCA, Elder Joe Fletcher, Triana CPCA, Elder Ronnie Wellington, St. Elizabeth CPCA, Elder Bobby Hereford, Lewis Chapel CPCA, the Reverend Dr. Willie T. Brown and the Reverend Marion Hayden in the 2022 Summer Huntsville Presbytery.
- 29. HEARD/ADOPTED the Resolution of Thanks** to Madkins Chapel CPCA for hosting the 2022 Summer Huntsville Presbytery.

OTHER MATTERS OF THE PRESBYTERY

- 30. PARTICIPATED** in a mandatory training on Leadership, Thursday, July 21, 2022 that was facilitated by the Reverend Dr. Kurt S. Clark, Sr., Pastor, Sardis Missionary Baptist Church, Birmingham, AL.
- 31. FUTURE MEETING PLACES FOR THE SUMMER HUNTSVILLE PRESBYTERY**
 2023: Mt. Zion CPCA
 2024: Bright Hope CPCA

2025: St. Elizabeth CPCA

32. **DEFERED** the 2022 Summer Huntsville Presbytery Minutes to the Huntsville Presbytery Executive Board for approval.
33. **LICENSING:** The Huntsville Presbytery licensed Sister Annie Lois Caudle and Elder Loraine Parker to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ in this session of the Huntsville Presbytery, Friday, July 22, 2022.
34. **ADJOURNED** at 4:24 P.M., to meet next year with the Summer Huntsville Presbytery on Monday, July 10-14, 2023 in Huntsville, Alabama with Mt. Zion CPCA serving as host.

Humbly Submitted,

The Reverend Dr. Barbara Clemons, Moderator

The Reverend Dr. Theodis Acklin, Stated Clerk