## **SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**

## 2023 Summer Huntsville Presbytery Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America



Meeting July 10-14, 2023 Mt. Zion CPCA 3726 Pryor Road Madison, Alabama 35756

The Reverend Dr. Barbara Clemons, Moderator The Reverend Tramaine Snodgrass, Vice Moderator The Reverend Byron McGlathery, Stated Clerk Sister Vanessa Collier, Engrossing Clerk

# The Huntsville Presbytery Of the

## **Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America Mt. Zion CPCA**

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The following SUMMARY is a brief description of the actions taken by the 2023 Summer Huntsville Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America, July 10-14,2023. 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 2023 Summer Huntsville Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America, meeting July 10, 11, 13, and 14,2023 accomplished the following actions:

Host: Mt. Zion CPCA

Host Pastor: The Reverend James Robinson

**Theme:** "AWAKEN! Answering God's Call to Witness" Romans 13:11-12

#### **Organizational Matters**

- 1. **THE HUNTSVILLE PRESBYTERY WAS CONSTITUTED** on Monday night, July 10,2023 with forty-two (42) ordained ministers, and nineteen (*If*) elder representatives. Three (3) licentiates also answered the roll. There was not any Youth Advisory Delegates (Y ADs) present.
- 2. **HEARD OPENING WORSIDP AND CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S** SUP~ER, presented by the Moderator, the Reverend Dr. Barbara Clemons, message from Romans 13:11-12, "AWAKEN! Answering God's Call to Witness" with a subtitle "I'm Awake, What's Next." The Reverend Tramaine Snodgrass served as Liturgist. The Reverend Debra McGlathery-Holden and the Reverend Wanda Love served as Holy Communion Celebrants, Monday, July 10,2023.
- 3. **RECEIVED** the Constitutional Prayer from the vice moderator, the Reverend Tramaine Snodgrass.
- **4. ADOPTED** the Agenda.

- 5. **RECEIVEDIREFERRED TO THE COM** communications addressed to the Body in regards to absentees. A communication from Lewis Chapel CPCA Church Session submitting Sister Annie Readus-Erskine to be received as a Probationer in the Huntsville Presbytery.
- **6. APPOINTED** Select Committees.
- 7. **RECEIVED** excellent hospitality from the host church, Mt. Zion CPCA.
- 8. **RECEIVED** the Reverend Lyle Lee, Special Assistant to Dr. John Clay, President of Huntsville Bible College.
- 9. **AFFIRMED** the 2024 meeting of the Summer Huntsville Presbytery to convene in Madison, AL (Limestone County) with the Bright Hope CPCA to serve as host.

#### **ELECTIONS**

- 10. **ELECTED** the Reverend Tramaine Snodgrass, moderator, the Reverend Dorothy J. Tiller, vice moderator, and Elder Stephanie Gilkes, engrossing clerk of the Huntsville Presbytery.
- 11. **ELECTEDIRE-ELECTED** to the Board of Judiciary Elder Lawrence Jones, Elder Calvin Miller, and Elder Ronald Burkes.
- 12. **ELECTEDIRE-ELECTED** to the Committee on Ministry the Reverend Katherine Baker, and the Reverend Felecia Ewing.
- 13. **ELECTEDIRE-ELECTED** to the Board of Budget and Finance Elder Don Carter, the Reverend Evelyn Wallace, Deacon Jeremy Holden, and Elder Darlene Patton.
- 14. **ELECTED** to the Committee on Nomination the Reverend Dr. Barbara Clemons, Elder Monica Brooks, and Elder Laverne Askew.
- 15. **ELECTED** to the Committee on Christian Education Elder Dr. ~andy Barbour, and Deacon Carolyn Freeman.
- 16. **ELECTEDIRE-ELECTED** to the Committee on Mission and ~vangelism Elder John Turner, the Reverend Dorrine McLin, Deacon Charles Smith, and Sister Nina Phipps.
- 17. **ELECTEDIRE-ELECTED** to the Historical Committee Elder Molly Caudle, Elder Willie Bradley Stinson, and the Reverend Virginia Washington.
- 18. **ELECTED** to the Huntsville Presbytery Executive Board as the Member-At-Large the Reverend Dr. Carol Franklin.
- 19. **ELECTED** Sister Arianna Fletcher as an Advisor for the Huntsville Presbytery Cumberland Presbyterian Youth Fellowship.
- **20. ELECTED COMMISSIONERSIYADS** to the 147th General Assembly

The 14'fh General Assembly will meet in Nashville, Tennessee.

#### **Minister Commissioners**

The Reverend Tramaine Snodgrass-Moderator

The Reverend Dr. Dorothy J. Tiller-Vice Moderator

The Reverend Fred Richardson

The Reverend James Robinson

#### **Minister Alternate Commissioner**

The Reverend Jeffery Toney

#### **Elder Commissioners**

Elder Victor Garth

Elder Darlene Patton

Elder Molly Caudle

Elder Dr. Randy Barbour

### **Elder Alternate Commissioner**

Elder Doris Wallace

#### **YADS**

There was not any Youth Advisory Delegates present. Moderator Clemons tasked the advisors of the Huntsville Presbytery Cumberland Presbyterian Youth Fellowship to appoint a Y AD for the 147th General assembly.

#### **REPORTS**

- 21. **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.
- **22. REFERRED** board/committees/auxiliary reports to the appropriate select committee.
- **23. ADOPTED** the Board of Budget and Finance Reports.
- **24. ADOPTED** the Board of Judiciary Report/Budget Request.
- 25. **ADOPTED** the Committee on Ministry Report/Budget Request.
- 26. **ADOPTED** the report from the Commissioners to the 146<sup>th</sup> General Assembly

#### SELECT COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 27. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL RECORDS REPORT
- 28. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

  REPORT adopted the recommendation to approve the budget request. Adopted the recommendation that all congregations establish a COCE and if needed ask for assistance from the COCE of the Huntsville Presbytery.
- 29. **ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS REPORT** adopted the recommendation that all churches use the Congregation Report of the CPCA that is mailed by the Stated Clerk. Adopted the recommend dation that all churches who submit Congregation Reports complete the form in their entirely.

- 30. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON CHURCH SESSION RECORD BOOKS (Committee #1 and #2) REPORT
- 31. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON MISSION AND EVANGELISM, MISSIONARY SOCIETY, JR. MISSIONARY SOCIETY REPORT Committee on Mission and Evangelism Report: Adopted the report with the approval of their budget. Missionary Society Report: Adopted the report with the understanding to get clarification on the budget amount to include an itemized budget and the Huntsville Presbytery Executive Board will approve their budget later. Jr. Missionary Society: No report.
- 32. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON HUNTSVILLE PRESBYTERY SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION AND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP REPORT
- 33. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON MEMORIAL 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 Endia J. Scruggs, Madkins Chapel CPCA, the Reverend William Robinson, St. James #2 (Jeff) CPCA, and Elder Bibb Collier, New Hope CPCA in the 2023 Summer Huntsville Presbytery.
- 34. ADOPTED THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE REVIEW REPORT
  Stated Clerk's Report: Adopted the recommendation that the Huntsville Presbytery
  fiscal year is May 1 through April 30, inserting the words "For Church Taxation."
  Adopted the recommendation that additionally, add the Presbytery "Calendar Year" July
  1 through June 30 "For Auditing Purpose." Huntsville Presbytery Executive Board
  Report: Adopted the budget request.
- 35. HEARD/ADOPTED the Resolution of Thanks to Mt. Zion CPCA for hosting the 2023 Summer Huntsville Presbytery.

#### OTHER MATTERS OF THE PRESBYTERY

- 36. PARTICIPATED in a mandatory training on What/Who is the CPCA, "This Is How We Do It," Thursday, July 13,2023 that was facilitated by Elder Betty Fletcher (Panel Moderator), the Reverend Dr. Theodis Acklin, the Reverend Versey Jones, Elder Vanessa K. Midgett and the Reverend Dr. Mitchell Walker, Sf.
- 37. FUTURE MEETING PLACES FOR THE SUMMER HUNTSVILLE PRESBYTERY

2024: Bright Hope CPCA 2025: St. Elizabeth CPCA

- **38. HEARD/ADOPTED** the 2023 Summer Huntsville Presbytery Minutes.
  - 39. **ADJOURNED** at 3:32 P.M., to meet next year with the Summer Huntsville Presbytery on Monday, July 15-19,2024 in Madison, Alabama (Limestone County) with Bright Hope CPCA serving as host.

Humbly, Submitted,

The Reverend Dr. Barbara Clemons, Moderator

The Reverend Byron McGlathery,

Stated Clerk