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Cumberland Presbyterian
Women's Ministry
of the
Cumberland Presbyterian Church

FALL MEETING
Covenant Cumberland Presbyterian Church
Ada, OK
October 16, 2010



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PLACES OF MEETING OF RED RIVER PRESBYTERY

YEAR	PLACE OF MEETING	MODERATOR
Spring 2002	Mesquite Congregation, Mesquite, Texas	John Lindsay
Fall 2002	Locust Grove Congregation, Locust Grove, Oklahoma	Kevin Ward
Spring 2003	St. Timothy Congregation, Bedford, Texas	Kevin Ward
Fall 2003	St. Matthew Congregation, Burleson, Texas	Elder John Goodwin
Spring 2004	Clinton Congregation, Clinton, Oklahoma	Elder John Goodwin
Fall 2004	Trinity Congregation, Fort Worth, Texas	Linda Snelling
Spring 2005	Lake Highland Congregation, Dallas, Texas	Linda Snelling
Fall 2005	Lake Murray Lodge, Ardmore, Oklahoma	Betty Youngman
Spring 2006	Burns Flat Congregation, Burns Flat, Oklahoma	Betty Youngman
Fall 2006	Lake Murray Lodge, Ardmore, Oklahoma	Steve Blaum
Spring 2007	Covenant Congregation, Ada, Oklahoma	Steve Blaum
Fall 2007	Lake Murray Lodge, Ardmore, Oklahoma	James C. Gilbert
Spring 2008	Shiloh Congregation, Ovilla, Texas	James C. Gilbert
Fall 2008	Lake Murray Lodge, Ardmore, Oklahoma	Randy Hardesty
Spring 2008	Clinton Congregation, Clinton, Oklahoma	Randy Hardesty
Fall 2009	Lake Murray Lodge, Ardmore, Oklahoma	Kevin Henson
Spring 2010	Lake Highland Congregation, Dallas, Texas	Kevin Henson
Fall 2010	Covenant Congregation, Ada, Oklahoma	Norlan Scudder

COMMISSIONERS TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY (2002-2008)

YEAR	MINISTER	ELDER	YOUTH
2010	James Gilbert, WC	Rodney Chilton, Burns Flat	Karis Chilton, Burns Flat
	Leslie Johnson, Eastlake	John Goodwin, Mesquite	
	John Lindsay, Denton	Robert Rowe, Whitney	
2009	Vernon Sansom, Shiloh	Clifton Key, Olney	Alan Butler, Tinity Daniel Lumpee, St. Matthew
	Charles Wallace, Hubbard	Charlene Wallace, Hubbard	
	Randy Hardesty, Trinity	James D. Marquis, Shiloh	
2008	L.G. Parkhurst, Eastlake	Steve Kramer, Covenant	Kaitlyn James, Covenant Paige Duggins, Shiloh
	Linda Snelling, Covenant	Judy Davidson, Covenant	
	Michael Sharpe, Memphis	David Huff, St. Luke	
2007	Bud Ruggia, Hospital Chap	Byron Kelley, Magnum	Kris Kerr, St. Matthew Ian Herum, Shiloh
	Wendell Harris, Magnum	Ann Williams, St. John	
	Keith Rice, W/C	Elizabeth Horsley, Denton	
2006	Rick Owen, St. Matthew	Olive Boston, St. Luke	Kaari Wilson, Covenant
	Jim Smith, Olney	Chris Lindsey, Trinity	
	Steve Blaum, Mesquite	Fred Stockdale, Faith, Tulsa	
2005	Randy Hardesty, Trinity	Gregg Gammon, St. Matthew	
	L.G. Parkhurst, Eastlake	Carolyn Lowe, Marlow	
	LaRoyce Brown, Marlow	Dallas Miller, Locust Grove	
2004	Jeff Gehle, Faith, Tulsa	Doug Miller, Stonegate	
	Linda Snelling, St. Matthew	Rosa Lee Hasley, Meadowbrook	
	Larry Lawrence, Olney		
2003	Betty Youngman	Mike Davis, Shiloh	Diane Horsley, Denton
	Barney Hudson, St. Timothy	Freda Gilbert, Trinity	
	James Gilbert	Nancy King, Gaith, Tulsa	
2002	Roosevelt Baugh, St. Mark	Mike Davis, Shiloh	Stephen Ward, Covenant Lelan Washington, Mesquite
	Don Nunn, St. John	Tom Spence, Burns Flat	
	Chales Hendershot, Whitney	Byron Stockwell, Mesquite	

STANDING RULES RED RIVER PRESBYTERY

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Red River Presbytery is a constituent presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. As such, it shall be governed by all sections and articles of the most recent edition and printing of the Confession of Faith and Government of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church/Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America, adopted in 1984. In the event of contradiction, contravention or abridgement within these Standing Rules or Policy and Procedures Manual, the related section and/or article(s) of the Confession of Faith shall have precedence.

The Standing Rules and the Presbytery Manual of Operation (as approved by the 1988 General Assembly) order the life, work and ministry of Red River Presbytery. In the event of contradiction, contravention, or abridgement with the Presbytery Manual of Operation, the Standing Rules and the Policy and Procedures Manual of Red River Presbytery shall have precedence.

2. ORDERING THE LIFE OF PRESBYTERY

- 2.1 Presbytery shall have one stated annual meeting each year, to be convened on the third Saturday in October. An adjourned meeting shall be held on the third Saturday in April. Meetings shall be called to order at 9:00 a.m. Locations for each meeting shall be determined one year in advance.
- 2.2 The Agenda and Service of Worship for each meeting of Presbytery shall be determined by the Moderator, Stated Clerk, Committee on Preparation for Ministry, and Pastor(s) Host. The Presbyterial CPWM President should be consulted when the meetings coincide.
- 2.3 At its Fall Meeting, Presbytery shall elect a Moderator to serve throughout the following twelve (12) months.
- 2.4 Sessions shall notify the Stated Clerk of the names of elder delegates and alternates at least 45 days prior to the Fall meeting of Presbytery. The delegates should be elected to serve for one year.
- 2.5 The officers of Presbytery shall include: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Stated Clerk, Recording Clerk, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer. The duties and responsibilities of each office are prescribed in the Cumberland Presbyterian Confession of Faith and Government and the Red River Policy and Procedures Manual.
- 2.6 Other officers, including board and committee members shall be elected at the Fall Meeting for 3-year terms beginning in January and shall be eligible for two (2) additional terms.
- 2.7 Commissioners to General Assembly and Synod shall be elected at the Fall Meeting. Travel expenses shall be limited to the prevailing IRS rate for automobile or for the amount of air coach fare. Presbytery shall pay the prevailing rate of a single room for one person in a hotel or motel for each day of the official meeting. The cost of reimbursable meals is not to exceed \$50 per day. Receipts for transportation, housing and meals shall be forwarded to the Treasurer for reimbursement. Elected commissioners, who cannot attend General Assembly, should contact the Stated Clerk or Moderator with this information as soon as possible.
- 2.8 The minutes of each meeting of Presbytery shall include a Presbyterial Directory which consists of Standing Rules; Presbyterial Roll of Ministers and Probations; Congregations and Session Clerks, and their addresses; personnel of Boards and Committees of Presbytery, along with their addresses, phone numbers and number of years served.
- 2.9 Each session shall submit one copy of the Session Minutes (January-December) to the current chairman of the Board of Missions by March 1st. The Minutes will be reviewed by the Board of Missions

and forwarded to the Cumberland Presbyterian Archives.

- 2.10 Requests by ministers for retired status must be made in writing to the Committee on Clergy who will then make recommendations to Presbytery.

3. PRESBYTERIAL AGENCIES

- 3.1 Presbytery shall elect persons to serve on the following boards, and committees [the () indicates number of persons on each]:

Board of Finance/Auditing (9), Board of Missions (9), Board of Christian Education (9, plus 2 Youths from Youth Advisory Council), Board of Trustees (4), Committee on Preparation for Ministry (9), Committee on Ordained Clergy (6), Committee on Nominations (5) plus the Moderator and Stated clerk), Committee on Theology and Social Concerns (3), Heritage Committee (3).
- 3.2 In accordance with 2.5 in The Rules of Discipline in the Confession of Faith, a standing commission, called the "Judiciary Committee," will be formed consisting of 3 ministers, 3 elders, the Moderator of Red River Presbytery, and the Stated Clerk of Red River Presbytery. This Committee will operate under the guidelines found in 2.5 of The Rules of Discipline of the Confession of Faith. Ministers and elders elected shall serve one (1) two year staggered term, after which they must remain off the Committee for one year before serving again.
- 3.3 Duties and job descriptions for officers, boards, and committees, including their authority and responsibilities, are prescribed in the Red River Presbytery Policy and Procedure Manual and in the Cumberland Presbyterian Confession of Faith and Government.
- 3.4 Each committee shall name its own chair. When a chair vacates, for one reason or another, the Moderator should appoint an interim chair.
- 3.5 Persons elected to serve on Presbyterial boards and committees shall serve 3-year staggered terms and may be reelected to succeed themselves twice. In no case shall a person serve more than nine (9) years consecutively. Efforts should be made to include on agencies both ministers and laypersons in approximately equal numbers and reflect the male-female ratio of the Presbytery with the exception of the Trustees who are elected to indefinite terms.
- 3.6 All boards and committees will meet at the same time and place on the first Saturday in March and the last Saturday in August. All meetings will be at a central location within the Presbytery. Time and place shall be determined by the Moderator and Stated Clerk and announced at the Fall Meeting. A simple majority constitutes a quorum.
- 3.7 All reports must be submitted (copy ready) to the Stated Clerk forty (40) days prior to the meeting of Presbytery. Late reports are to be furnished by the Board or Committee in the amount of 75 copies to distribute. The Stated Clerk will distribute Preliminary Minutes including an Agenda and copies of all reports to all ministers, session clerks, and local church delegates at least 25 days prior to the meeting of Presbytery. Each agency shall report in writing to each regular meeting of Presbytery. No report shall be allowed at meetings of Presbytery unless a written report has been handed to the Stated Clerk.
- 3.8 Travel expenses of persons attending Board and Committee Meetings or conferences shall be included in the budget of that particular Agency.
- 3.9 The formula for figuring Presbyterial apportionments will be (1) 50% shall be based on a percentage share of the congregations receipts after extraordinary and Building Fund gifts are excluded; (2) 50% shall be based on a dollar share per active member. Statistics provided in the annual report will be used to determine apportionments unless the Board of Finance is notified in writing of the above exclusions.

4. STEWARDSHIP AND BUDGETARY PROVISIONS

- 4.1** Before the conclusion of the March committee and board meetings, each group of the Presbytery must submit written budget requests to the Board of Finance/Auditing. The budget will be presented at the Spring Meeting of Presbytery. Presbytery will approve the budget for the following calendar year. Adjustments may be made to the budget in the Fall without effect to the individual church's apportionment.
- 4.2** Travel expenses for Moderators, appointed by Presbytery, of churches without pastors shall be paid by the local church. If a church is unable to pay, it may request assistance from the Board of Missions.
- 4.3** At the end of each fiscal year, Reserve Funds in excess of 15% of that year's total budget will be transferred to Dedicated Funds.

5. PROPERTY PROVISIONS

- 5.1** When property held by Presbytery is sold, the principal from that sale is to be set aside in designated funds for the purchase of other real property. The interest from such funds will go to the Presbytery's General Operating Fund, unless otherwise designated.
- 5.2** Individual congregations must secure permission from Presbytery before committing church property as collateral for any loans.
- 5.3** Requests from local churches that require long-term (five years or more) and/or large financial commitments (three times the congregation's annual operating budget) must be included in the Preliminary Minutes of Presbytery to be voted on at that meeting of Presbytery. Otherwise, the reports may be presented on the day of Presbytery, but there will not be a vote for approval until the next meeting of Presbytery.
- 5.4** The Board of Trustees shall be responsible for the care of unsold property of churches that are closed.

6. AMENDMENTS

- 6.1** These "Standing Rules" may be amended by a 2/3 vote of Presbytery. Particular "Standing Rules" may be temporarily set aside by a majority of those present and voting.

-AGENDA -

**FALL MEETING OF RED RIVER PRESBYTERY
Covenant Cumberland Presbyterian Church
Ada, Oklahoma
October 16, 2010 - 9:00 a.m.**

- 9:00 a.m. Call to Order
Declaration of Quorum
Constituting Prayer
Adoption of Program
Worship Service – Pastor Host, Rev. Linda Snelling, Covenant Church
Hearing Denominational Representatives
- 10:30 a.m. Break – Dismissal of Presbyterial CPWM
- 10:45 a.m. Report #1 of the Nominations Committee (Election of Moderator)
Introduction and Recognition of Visitors
Hearing of Excuses.
- 12:30 p.m. Recess for Lunch
- 1:15 p.m. Reports
Report of the Moderator
Report of the Stated Clerk
Report of the Committee on Preparation for the Ministry
Report #2 of the Nominating Committee
Report of the Board of Christian Education
Report of the Board of Missions
Report of the Committee on Clergy, Theology and Social Concerns
Report of the Board of Finance and Auditing
Report of the Heritage Committee
Report of the Board of Trustees
Reports of General Assembly Commissioners
Report of Delegate to Mission Synod
Receiving and Granting of Letters
Other Business
Constitutional Amendment Vote
Announcement for Future Meetings
Spring 2011 – St. Luke Cumberland Presbyterian Church
Fall 2011 – Eastlake Cumberland Presbyterian Church
Reading of Minutes
Final Roll Call
Adjournment — Closing Prayer

**Minutes of the 2010 Fall Meeting
Red River Presbytery of Mission Synod
of the
Cumberland Presbyterian Church
Covenant Cumberland Presbyterian Church
Ada, Oklahoma
October 16, 2010 - 9:00 a.m.**

The Fall Meeting of Red River Presbytery was called to order by Moderator Reverend Kevin Henson at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 16, 2010. The Stated Clerk, Vernon Sansom declared a quorum present.

The **Constituting Prayer** was offered by the Rev. Amber Clark.

On motion the program was adopted subject to change.

The **Worship Service** was presided over by the Reverend Linda Snelling, pastor host. Speaker for the service was the retiring Moderator, the Rev. Dr. Kevin Henson. His message, titled "How Would You Describe This Generation?" which admonished us not to simply label and dismiss what is surrounding us because of easily living fiction rather than reality. We must have wisdom to recognize reality and accurately define it to those around us. Rev. Henson left us with this thought, "Wisdom is shown to be right by the results from it."

HEARING OF DENOMINATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home – Rev. Dr. Kevin Henson – reported on the work of our Children's Home and challenged each church to pray for families and children around the world.

Memphis Theological Seminary – Rev. Dr. Jay Earheart-Brown, Nashville Presbytery – reported on our seminary. There are 310 students representing 25 different denominations. There are 40 CP's and 2 CPCA's. Dr. Michael Qualls has been named the new Director of PAS. Currently there are 60 PAS students. Dr. Earheart-Brown encouraged all to pray for MTS.

GA Office, Missions Ministry Team – Rev. Michael Sharpe – This was the first presbytery meeting that Rev. Sharpe has attended since becoming the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Rev. Sharpe promoted the Missionary Messenger magazine and encouraged churches to keep on top of the mailing list for their congregations. He announced that the Rev. George Estes would become the new Missions Ministry Team leader on October 18, 2010 and that the Rev. Frank Ward was retiring after 34 years of service to the denomination in the field of Christian Education.

GA Ministry Teams – OUO – Rev. Vernon Sansom – spoke about the importance of Our United Outreach and the necessity of all churches participating to fund the work of the church. Rev. Sansom encouraged all churches within the presbytery which have not

been contributing to OUO to make an effort to at least give something during this, the 200th birthday year of the church. Churches that cannot give the suggested 10% should give “what they can” and try to increase their giving to OUO yearly to meeting the 10% goal.

Board of Stewardship – Rev. Robert Heflin, Columbia Presbytery – reported on the change in insurance carriers at the first of the year. He reported that the Board is waiting on word from Blue Cross of Tennessee as to the rates for the coming year. Rev. Heflin also reported that new accounting software has been installed and the Board is working to get the bugs out of the system. Earning reports have been delayed due to software glitches.

REPORT ON OFFERING

Rev. Linda Snelling reported that the offering taken at the Worship Service was \$572. On motion, one half of the offering will go to the CPWM and one half will go toward debt retirement of the Denomination Center.

Following the hearing of denominational representatives, the moderator declared a short recess.

The moderator called Red River Presbytery back in session at 10:45a.m.

REPORT #1 OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

On motion, Report #1 of the Nominating Committee was concurred in and its recommendation to nominate the Rev. Norlan Scudder as Moderator was adopted. The Rev. Norlan Scudder was elected. The report was marked “A” and filed.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND FIRST TIME ELDERS

Visitors and first time elder delegates were recognized. There were 5 first time elder delegates present.

On motion, the Rev. Dr. Jay Earheart-Brown - Nashville Presbytery and the Rev. Robert Heflin – Columbia Presbytery were seated as Members in Council.

HEARING OF EXCUSES/CORRESPONDENCE/GRANTING & RECEIVING OF LETTERS

On Motion, **Excuses** were granted Rev. Bob Matlock, Rev. Hugh Wagner, Rev. Ruben Ferrol, Rev. Marty Aden, Rev. Anne Cameron, Rev. Stephanie Brown, Rev. Keith Rice, Rev. Cassandra O. Thomas, Rev. Jeff Gehle, Donna Schmoyer, Rev. Linda Petty, Justin Hardisty, Summer Petty, Jeff Ogden, Will Johnson, Sherri Seachrist, Rev. Rick Owen, and Byron Kelley (at noon).

A letter from the Rev. Cassandra Thomas was read updating the presbytery on her work

outside the bounds of Red River Presbytery. Rev. Thomas enclosed a check for \$250 for support of the Committee on Ordained Clergy, Theology, and Social Concern. Letter received.

A letter from the Discipleship Ministry Team of the General Assembly Council was read promoting the next miniversities are scheduled for March and April of 2011. The theme is Stewardship and the goal is to help pastors and stewardship ministry leaders in congregations to discover practical and creative ways to develop budgets, financial campaigns and program interpretation in ways that involve persons in looking at life holistically as a gift from God. The miniversities in the Red River Presbytery area are: St. Timothy Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Bedford, TX – March 12, 2011 and Marshall Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Marshall, TX – April 9, 2011. Letter received.

A request was received from the Rev. Robert Matlock to dissolve the pastoral relationship between St. John Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Robert Matlock and to grant a letter of transfer to Murfreesboro Presbytery. On motion, both requests were granted.

A letter was received from St. Matthew Cumberland Presbyterian Church thanking Red River Presbytery for granting a reduction in presbyterial apportionment and containing a check for \$10,000 above the agreed upon apportionment made possible by proceeds from a gas lease. A copy of this letter is included in the report of the Report of the Board of Finance and Audit. Letter received.

A letter was received from the Burns Flat Cumberland Presbyterian Church requesting a commission to ordain Thomas R. Spence. Letter referred to Committee on Preparation.

A letter was received from the Rev. Steve Blaum asking that the relationship between the Mesquite Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Steve Blaum be dissolved and that his letter be granted to North Central Presbytery. On motion, request to dissolve the relationship was referred to the Board of Missions. Request to grant letter to North Central Presbytery was granted.

A letter was received from Mangum Cumberland Presbyterian Church requesting that the relationship between the church and Rev. Wendell Harris be dissolved. On motion, request granted.

A Letter of Dismission was received from Cumberland Presbytery recommending favorably the Rev. Craig zumBrunnen to Red River Presbytery by action of Cumberland Presbytery September 11, 2010. On motion the Rev. zumBrunnen was received and his name entered on the Roll of Ordained Ministers.

A letter from Trinity Presbytery was received informing that Mark Horner is suspended indefinitely from serving as a minister to any Cumberland Presbyterian Church and is prohibited from representing himself as a minister in good standing in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Letter received.

REPORT OF THE MODERATOR

On motion, the Report of the Moderator its recommendation was tabled indefinitely.

The recommendation was referred to the Nominating Committee to get input from each committee affected.

REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK

On motion, the Report of the Stated Clerk was received and marked "B" and filed.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR THE MINISTRY

On motion, the report was concurred in and the recommendations adopted. The report was marked "C" and filed.

After satisfactory examination by the Presbytery, Mrs. Judy Madden was licensed for ministry in Red River Presbytery.

Following questioning by Red River Presbytery, Charles Nelson was received as a Candidate for Ministry and his name added to the rolls of presbytery. On motion, permission was granted for Mr. Nelson to fill any necessary education requirements through the PAS program. Motion passed unanimously.

Following examination by Red River Presbytery, Licentiate Allan Mink was approved for ordination in Red River Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. A commission consisting of Rev. Rick Owen, Rev. Jeff Gehle, Rev. Roosevelt Baugh, and Elders Will Johnson and Jeff Ogden was named to ordain and install Mink as the Executive Pastor of the St. Matthew Cumberland Presbyterian Church on a date to be announced.

Following examination by Red River Presbytery, Licentiate Tom Spence was approved for ordination in Red River Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. A commission consisting of Rev. Dale Nease, Rev. Wendell Harris, Rev. Norlan Scudder, Elder JR Delp and Elder Barbara Baca was named to ordain and install Spence as the pastor of the Burns Flat Cumberland Presbyterian Church on October 31, 2010 at Burns Flat Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

On motion, Report #2 of the Committee on Nominations was concurred in as corrected and the nominations adopted. On motion the slate of nominees was elected. The report was marked "D" and filed.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

On motion, the Report of the Board of Christian Education was concurred in. The report was marked "E" and filed. A request was made that paragraph 6 of the report be delved into deeper by the Board of Christian Education concerning required health information needed by nursing staff. This information should be made available to the nursing staff **prior** to camp dates.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

On motion, the Report of the Board of Missions was concurred in as amended and the recommendations adopted. The Report was marked "F" and filed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CLERGY, THEOLOGY AND SOCIAL CONCERNS

On motion, the Report of the Committee Clergy, Theology and Social Concerns was concurred in and the recommendations adopted. The report was marked "G" and filed.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE/AUDITING

On motion, the Report of the Board of Finance/Auditing was concurred in and the recommendations, as amended, adopted. A Commission of the Presbytery consisting of Randy Davidson, David Carpenter and Bud Ruggia, Linda Snelling, and Bud Averill was established to work with the Stonegate Cumberland Presbyterian Church Session. The report was marked "H" and filed.

REPORT OF THE HERITAGE COMMITTEE

On motion, the Report of the Heritage Committee was adopted. The report was marked "I" and filed.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

On motion, the Report of the Board of Trustees was concurred in. The report was marked "J" and filed.

OTHER BUSINESS

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT VOTE

As required by Constitution 11:4c, a vote of the presbytery was taken concerning amendments to sections 9.2a and 9.2b. By a majority vote, Red River Presbytery voted "Yes." The results of this vote will be reported to the Office of the General Assembly for referral to the 181st General Assembly for ratification.

Rev. James Gilbert brought greetings to Red River Presbytery from the Rev. Jose Fajardo, the Rev. Marty Aden and the Rev. Gene Bergstresser.

It was noted that the Rev. Walter Russell died and was buried over Labor Day Weekend. Rev. Russell will be remembered along with other ministers and elders who have died in the past year at the Spring Meeting.

On motion, Red River Presbytery thanked Covenant Cumberland Presbyterian Church for graciously hosting this meeting of presbytery.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Spring 2011 meeting of Red River Presbytery will be April 16, 2011 at St. Luke Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Ft. Worth, Texas, at 9:00 a.m.

The Fall 2011 meeting of Red River Presbytery will be October 15, 2011 at Eastlake Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at 9:00 a.m.

READING OF MINUTES

The **Minutes of the Fall Meeting** were read by Recording Clerk Carolyn Lowe. On motion, the minutes were approved as corrected.

FINAL ROLL CALL

Following the **Final Roll Call**, on motion, Red River Presbytery was adjourned with prayer at 2:21 p.m. to meet April 16, 2011 at St. Luke Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Ft. Worth, Texas, at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Vernon J. Sansom, Jr. – Stated Clerk

Norlan Scrudder – Moderator

REPORT # 1
NOMINATING COMMITTEE

"A"

The Nominating Committee met at the Denton CPC on August 28, 2010. Present were Pat Huff, Robert Rowe, Moderator Kevin Henson and Stated Clerk Vernon Sansom.

The Nominating Committee nominates the Rev. Norlan Scudder to serve as Moderator of Red River Presbytery for 2010-2011.

REPORT # 2
NOMINATING COMMITTEE

"D"

Vice Moderator: We nominate the Rev. Judy Lain as Vice-Moderator.

Recording Clerk: Carolyn Lowe has served for 3 years and is eligible for reelection. **We nominate Carolyn Lowe to serve a 3 year term.**

Board of Missions: Keith Rice has served for 4 years, Rick Owen has served 8 years and is not eligible for reelection, Norlan Scudder has served 9 years and is not eligible for reelection, Robert Matlock has resigned. **We nominate Tom Sanders, Alan Mink and Wes Johnson for 3 year terms, and John White to fill the remaining term in place of Bob Matlock.**

Board of Christian Education: Judy Franco has served 6 years and is eligible for reelection, Dan Washmon has served 6 years and is eligible for reelection but chooses not to serve another term, Stephanie Brown has served 1 year and is eligible for reelection. **We nominate Judy Franco, Kristen Walker, and Stephanie Brown for 3 year terms.**

Committee on Preparation for the Ministry: Hugh Wagner has served 3 years and is eligible for reelection, Steve Blaum has moved outside the bounds of the presbytery. **We nominate Hugh Wagner and Jeff Gehle for 3 year terms.**

Committee on the Ordained Clergy, Theology, & Social Concerns: Bill Webb has served 9 years and is not eligible for reelection, Bob Curry has served 9 years and is not eligible for reelection, Melba Kelley has served on year and is eligible for reelection. **We nominate Glenda Foreman, Donna Schmoyer, and Melba Kelley for 3 year terms.**

Nominating Committee: Pat Huff has served 9 years and is not eligible for reelection. **We nominate Beth Pearson for a 3 year term.**

GA Commissioners: The Following are nominated as GA Commissioners for 2011:

Ministers:

1. Jeff Gehle – St. Matthew
2. Brent Turpen – Locust Grove
3. Tom Sanders – Faith

Alternates:

1. Kevin Henson - CPCH
2. Wes Johnson – WC
3. Randal McGee – WC

Elders:

1. Brandon Bolen - Covenant
2. Cheryl McQueen - Denton
3. Mikel Davis - Shiloh

Alternates:

1. Annette Wells – Mesquite
2. Larry Briggs - Faith
3. Chris Lindsey - Trinity

Youth Advisory Delegates

1. Houston Brown – St. Timothy
2. Eli Franco – St. Timothy

Alternates

1. Mica Seawright – St. Matthew
2. Zack Williams – Shiloh

**Respectfully Submitted,
The Nominating Committee**

Report of the Stated Clerk

Since our last meeting, the job of Stated Clerk has settled into one more of routine. Computers are wonderful tools. Presbyterian files and forms are now organized in a way that makes sense to me and will allow a smooth transition to the next clerk when my term is up. I thank you for the privilege to serve in this capacity and I'm so very grateful to all who have helped with advice and answers when I've been stuck. Robert Rush, Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, has been an invaluable source of help. I have also greatly appreciated Kevin Henson's counsel and support as well as the patience of our treasurer, Barbara Cooper.

A number of changes have occurred in Red River Presbytery during the past 6 months. The Duncan and Marlow churches are now one and the Duncan property has been sold. Two of our churches, Mesquite and St. John, are currently without pastors and Magnum has called The Rev. Craig H. zumBrunnen as pastor. The Revs. Amber and Michael Clark are the new parents of Eli Lawrence, born August 4th. Red River Presbytery member, the Rev. Michael Sharpe, will become the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church when Robert Rush retires September 30th.

Since our last meeting, a newsletter has been sent out. Email has also been used to communicate news and upcoming events. Anyone who is not currently receiving presbyterial news via email should submit their email address to the clerk. Many presbyteries and our GA are distributing minutes and other communications exclusively by email. This should be a goal for Red River Presbytery. A significant amount of money would be saved in postage, copy and paper costs.

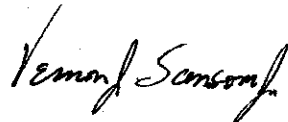
The presbyterial website, www.rrpcpc.org, continues to be updated with minutes, standing rules, schedules and other important information. I am planning to put a page on the site that has links to all of the churches within the presbytery that have a website. Submit your church's web address to the clerk for inclusion. (I would be willing to help any of our churches without a web site construct a free one page information site or help with a low cost website.)

At this meeting, presbytery will vote on Constitutional Amendments approved by the 180th General Assembly. The amendments deal with the number of commissioners presbyteries send to General Assembly. These changes, if they are adopted, would allow some presbyteries to send more delegates to General Assembly giving them more representation. According to the 2010 Yearbook, the passage of these amendments would not affect the number of delegates that Red River Presbytery sends to General Assembly.

According to the 2010 Yearbook, Red River Presbytery has 2,690 Active Members (down 176 from 2009), 3,976 Total Church Members (down 116), 1,685 in Sunday School (up 128). In 2009, there were 89 Professions of Faith (up 4), 218 Gains (up 3), 334 Losses (down 115), and 29 Children were Baptized (+3). \$102,338 was given to OOU (down \$35,878) with Total Outreach Giving \$425,410 (down \$41,268).

I have no recommendations at this time.

Respectfully submitted,



**Report to Red River Presbytery
Fall Meeting 2010**

Committee on Preparation for the Ministry

The COPM met on August 28, 2010 at the Denton CPC.

Members Present: Randall McGee, Ellie, Scrudder, Susan Kiser, Roosevelt Baugh, Hugh Wagner, Barbara Harrell

Members Excused: Michael Clark, Wendell Harris

In the Spring of 2010 Judy Madden was recommended to become a licentiate but could not attend the spring meeting. The motion was amended from the report. Judy has progressed in her academic career at Brite Divinity School and the COPM is pleased with her progress.

Recommendation One: After examination by the Presbytery that Mrs. Judy Madden be approved as a licentiate for ministry in Red River Presbytery.

The COPM met with Mr. Charles Nelson who is currently serving the Hubbard CPC, preaching weekly. The committee has reviewed his relationship with the Hubbard church and he comes recommended from their session.

Recommendation Two: That Charles Nelson, upon completion of a satisfactory psychological evaluation, criminal background check, and questioning by Red River Presbytery, be accepted as a candidate and his name added to the roles of presbytery as such. He comes recommended from the Hubbard Congregation.

Lic. Allan Mink was administered his written ordination examination by the COPM and met with the COPM again at the August meeting to review that examination and sustain any oral examinations from the COPM. Allan Mink has received a call as the Executive Pastor of the St. Matthew Cumberland Presbyterian Church. After having successfully sustained both examinations the COPM recommends the following:

Recommendation Three: The COPM recommends that, upon successful sustaining of examination by Red River Presbytery, that Lic. Allan Mink be approved for ordination in Red River Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Recommendation Four: After Lic. Mink's approval that a commission be named to ordain and install him as the called Executive Pastor of the Saint Matthew Cumberland Presbyterian Church and if available the time announced for his ordination and installation service.

Lic. Tom Spence was administered his written ordination examination by the COPM and met with the COPM again at the August meeting to review that examination and sustain any oral examinations from the COPM. Tom Spence has received a call as the pastor of the Burns Flat Cumberland Presbyterian Church. After having successfully sustained both examinations the COPM recommends the following:

Recommendation Five: The COPM recommends that, upon successful sustaining of examination by Red River Presbytery, that Lic. Tom Spence be approved for ordination in Red River Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Recommendation Six: After Lic. Spence's approval that a commission be named to ordain and install him as the called pastor of the Burns Flat Cumberland Presbyterian Church and if available the time announced for his ordination and installation service.

The COPM met with Can. Davin Sanders at her request to hear about her recent faith journey developments. Michael Clark has been assigned to Davin as her advisor.

New Business

Probationer Updates

The committee received oral or written reports on the following probationers:

Kristen Walker (Scrudder): holding at present, not in school
Kiser will work with Scrudder to become her new mentor
Tim Dewhirst (Wagner) in school moving forward
Justin Hardisty (Wagner) in school moving forward
Keith King (Blaum) in school moving forward
King's new adviser will be Randall McGee

Minster's Conference:

The COPM discussed and approved giving any probationer a 200.00 scholarship for the minister's conference if they so desire.

After a motion to adjourn Baugh prayed the closing prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Committee on Preparation for the Ministry

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Red River Presbytery Board of Christian Education met August 28, 2010, at 9 A.M. at the Denton Cumberland Presbyterian Church. All board members were present.

An oral report on the joint Red River Presbytery summer camp was given by board members John Wingard and Bonnie Schechter, who were co-directors of the senior high camp. The camp was held in Gerty, Oklahoma, at Camp Walk On Water. The theme for the camp’s three grade levels, junior, junior high, and senior high, was “He is the potter, I am the clay.” Daily subthemes included brokenness, grace, relationships, and a righteous life. The same topics were used by all three grade levels. Curriculum was developed by persons from the presbytery, using a variety of activities which employed various learning styles. Attendance at the camp was approximately 300 (campers and adults), with a near-even division among the three levels. Among the campers and staff were 6 high school students from Trinity Presbytery and two adults, and two adults from the Cumberland Presbyterian Children’s Home. The Red River board commends the leadership of the Children’s Home for helping staff the camp.

The board calls to the attention of presbytery that many of the junior and junior high camp staff personnel are “home grown”—individuals who were a part of the Red River camping program as youth and have now begun to serve our Lord through leadership positions.

Income from registrations was \$78, 130 and total expense for the camp (rental, supplies, etc.) was \$87,580. The board determined to keep the per-camper tuition for 2011’s camp at \$260. Camp dates for 2011 will be July 22-27.

The mid-winter retreat will be held at Camp WOW January 15-17, 2011. Fee for the extended event (by one day) will be \$75.

Concern for camp health care was conveyed to the board. The board wishes to acknowledge the observations and suggestions about how medical issues are addressed on site and the leadership for next year’s camp will consider those suggestions. It was expressed that daily staff meetings could be a platform for raising concerns during the camp dates and therefore the concerns could be more efficiently addressed rather than after the camp experience was concluded.

The board wishes to nominate Aaron Lantz of the Clinton, Oklahoma, CPC and Eli Franco of the Saint Timothy CPC as Youth Advisory delegates to the 2011 General Assembly meeting in Springfield, Missouri. Alternate nominees are Houston Brown, Saint Timothy CPC, and Micah Seawright, Saint Matthew CPC.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Washmon
Board president

BOARD OF MISSIONS

The Red River Presbytery Board of Missions met Saturday, August 28 at the Denton Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Rev. David Carpenter called the meeting to order at 9:25 a.m. and opened the meeting with prayer. Those in attendance were: Rev. Rick Owen, Rev. Norlan Scudder, Rev. John Lindsey, Ms. Charlene Wallace, and Rev. David Carpenter, Chair. Excused from this meeting were Ms. Rosa Lee Hasley and Rev. Robert Matlock. Rev. Scudder was appointed to take minutes in Ms. Hasley's absence.

Received a communication from Rev. Matlock, who has resigned from the board. Motion was made and seconded to accept Rev. Matlock's resignation. Motion carried.

Mangum: We received a call and a copy of the contract between the Mangum Church and the Rev. Craig zumBrunnen. However, the board has no record of the request to dissolve the pastoral relationship between the Rev. Wendell Harris and the Mangum CPC.

Recommendation #1-- That Red River Presbytery approve the pastoral relationship between the Rev. Craig zumBrunnen and the Mangum CP Church, and, pending receipt of Rev. zum Brennen's letter from Cumberland Presbytery, Red River Presbytery appoint a commission to install Rev. zumBrunnen, pending confirmation that the pastoral relationship between Rev. Harris and the Mangum CPC has been dissolved.

Mesquite: A letter requesting the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between the Rev. Steve Blaum and the Mesquite church was received. Also received the same request from Rev. Blaum.

Recommendation #2-- That Red River Presbytery dissolve the pastoral relationship between Rev. Blaum and the Mesquite CPC.

Also, the Mesquite church has requested that Rev. Wes Johnson be appointed Moderator of the Session and Interim Pastor.

Recommendation #3-- That Red River Presbytery appoint Rev. Wes Johnson as Interim Pastor of the Mesquite CPC for a period of six months, which may be extended upon joint request of Rev. Johnson and the Mesquite session.

Received communication from the Committee on Preparation for the Ministry and the St. Matthew CPC (including a call and contract) regarding Mr. Alan Mink, requesting that Mr. Mink be installed as Executive Pastor of the St. Matthew church.

Recommendation #4-- That Red River Presbytery appoint a commission to install Mr. Mink as Executive Pastor of the St. Matthew CPC soon as he has completed his ordination requirements.

We received a communication from the Burns Flat CPC, including a call and copy of the contract for Mr. Tom Spence.

Recommendation #5-- That Red River Presbytery appoint a commission to install Mr. Tom Spence as Pastor of the Burns Flat CPC as soon as he has completed his ordination requirements.

Stonegate: A letter was received from the Stonegate church requesting that they be allowed to leave their building and seek another place of worship, thus leaving behind the debt of the building with the presbytery. A similar request was received by the Board of Finance and Auditing. the Board of Missions adjourned to meet jointly with the Board of Finance and Auditing and with the Board of Trustees. The Board of Finance and Auditing will give a report on this meeting.

St. John: We received a joint request from St. John and the Rev. Matlock to dissolve the pastoral relationship.

Recommendation #6-- That Red River Presbytery dissolve the pastoral relationship between the Rev. Matlock and the St. John CPC, and that the Rev. Randy Hardisty be appointed Moderator of the St. John session.

St. Giles: A full and comprehensive report was received from the St. Giles ministry in Tulsa, Oklahoma, reporting both their financial progress and the progress of the ministry. This report was given by Mr. David E. Wulf.

Recommendation #7-- That Red River Presbytery commend the St. Giles ministry for the work they are doing and the timely manner in which they make their reports to the Board of Missions and Red River Presbytery.

Marlow: Norlan Scrudder, board liaison to the Duncan and Marlow churches in their merger reported that all areas of the merger are complete. The congregations merged with no loss of active members and that by vote of a congregational meeting all active elders were merged into one session. The new name of the church will be the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Marlow, Oklahoma.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried. Closing prayer by the Rev. Lindsey.

Committee on Ordained Clergy, Theology and Social Concerns

To: Members of the Presbytery meeting at Covenant Church on October 16, 2010

The committee met for its regularly scheduled meeting on Saturday, August 28, 2010 at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Denton, TX.

Members present were chair — Randy Hardisty, Byron Kelley, Chuck Brown and Linda Snelling

The committee developed a plan to keep in touch with clergy (both active and retired) in the presbytery on a more regular basis.

Randy Hardisty and Elder Melba Kelley attended two session meetings at St. John's Church as representatives of the Committee on Ordained Clergy. The purpose of these meetings was to discuss the resignation of Rev. Bob Matlock.

The Committee on Clergy is responsible for maintaining and reporting the CEUs (Continuing Education Units) that GA established for all ministers. Currently the requirement is 3 units every 6 years. (A unit is defined as 10 contact hours with a workshop leader, professor, etc.) *We* encourage all clergy to take advantage of conferences and workshops, such as the Minister's Conference, as a way of enhancing your ministry. We also recommend spiritual retreats as a way of nurturing your own spirit. When you attend an event, be sure to ask for a certificate showing the number of CEU's allowed for that event. Then, send that certificate to the Committee on Ordained Clergy.

Rev Robert H. Smith will remain on voluntary suspension. But in regard to that, the committee recommends —

Recommendation 1

That the Stated Clerk be instructed to send a letter to the County Clerk of Tulsa County in Oklahoma, the stated clerks of all presbyteries, and the Stated Clerk of the denomination informing them of Rev. Smith's suspension.

Rev. Judy Lain works as a hospital chaplain in the Baylor Health Care system. She is seeking board certification by the Association of Professional Chaplains (APC). This process requires the endorsement of her presbytery and the denomination. She is currently a member in good standing with presbytery and has not been the subject of presbyterial discipline, and there are no proceedings pending.

Recommendation 2

That Red River Presbytery supports and affirms Rev Judy Lain's ministry in clinical chaplaincy and endorses her to the Pastoral Development Team of the Ministry Council of the General Assembly.

Recommendation 3

That the Stated Clerk of Red River Presbytery send a letter to the denomination's Pastoral Development Ministry Team affirming that Rev. Lain is (1) a member of this presbytery, (2) is a member in good standing, and that (3) Red River Presbytery approves and supports her endorsement for board certification by the APC.

Respectfully submitted,

The Committee on Ordained Clergy and Theology and Social Concerns

**Report of the Board of Finance and Audit
of the Red River Presbytery, Cumberland Presbyterian Church**

The regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Audit was held in Denton, Texas on August 28, 2010, as required by Red River Presbytery Standing Rule (3.6). Members present were: Bud Ruggia, Bev Burnett, Barbara Cooper, and Ann Williams. John Godwin and Bob Shelton requested to be excused. A quorum was declared, and the excuses were approved.

After reviewing the financial condition of the Presbytery, three items were considered by the Board:

1. A letter was received from Rick Owen, pastor of St Matthew Cumberland Presbyterian Church, expressing appreciation to the presbytery for its favorable consideration of the church’s request to lower its apportionment in 2010. St Matthew CPC had received unexpected income from a gas lease, and the church enclosed a check in the amount of \$10,000 to the presbytery. A copy of his letter is attached to this report.

2. A letter was received from Faith Cumberland Presbyterian Church requesting that its 2010 apportionment be lowered to \$6,009.00 in light of changes in church membership and income. The Board concurs in this request, and asks the Presbytery to approve the change.

Recommendation one: That the 2010 Apportionment of Faith Cumberland Presbyterian Church be set at \$6,009.00.

3. A letter from the Denominational Board of Stewardship was forwarded to this Board indicating that a \$300,000.00 loan made in 1994 to Stonegate Cumberland Presbyterian Church had matured in December, 2009 with a remaining payoff balance of \$268,618.88. The Presbytery is ultimately responsible for this debt, and the denominational board wished to know the congregation’s plans for dealing with it.

Since this issue is beyond the scope of this Board, the Presbytery’s Board of Missions and Trustees were invited to join this meeting. In addition to the Board of Finance and Audit members listed above, the following persons participated in this meeting: From the Board of Missions: Rick Owen, John V. Lindsey, David Carpenter, Charlene Wallace, and Norlan Scudder. From the Board of Trustees: Sheri Kuykendall, Randy Davidson, and James Gilbert. Bud Ruggia presided at the meeting.

A vigorous discussion of the issues involved ensued, indicating that the congregation had been struggling under this debt since its inception, and that it was far beyond the ability of the small congregation to handle. It was decided to ask the Presbytery to appoint a commission made up of representatives of the Boards of Mission, Trustees and Finance to resolve the issue. It was suggested that Randy Davidson, David Carpenter, Bud Ruggia, Linda Snelling and Bud Averill make up this commission.

Recommendation two: That the Red River Presbytery form a commission made up of representatives from the Board of Missions, Board of Finance and Audit, and Board of Trustees to work with the Stonegate Cumberland Presbyterian Church Session.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bud Ruggia, Chair, Board of Finance and Audit



June 30, 2010

Barbara Cooper
1812 Culberson Dr.
Mesquite, TX 75160

Dear Members of Red River Presbytery,

The session and the people called St. Matthew were humbled last fall when you graciously granted our request to reduce our Presbytery Apportionment. We are aware that our request placed a hardship on the Board of Finance and Presbytery as a whole. Your support has allowed us to stabilize our budget and maximize our ability to reach the lost and make disciples. Thank you!

As an act of gratitude and obedience to the Lord, you will find enclosed a check for \$10,000 above our agreed upon apportionment for 2010. This gift represents 5% of the proceeds received from a gas lease with a local petroleum firm. The St. Matthew session has chosen to set aside 10% for missions, half to Red River Presbytery and half to other outreach projects. We are grateful to God for the unexpected bounty and want to share it with our sisters and brothers of Red River Presbytery.

It is with great trust that we place this offering in your safe keeping, knowing that you are being led by the Holy Spirit to use it for reaching the lost and the making of Christ followers.

Check enclosed in envelope to Barbara Cooper.

Peace and Blessings.

Rick Owen,
Senior Pastor, St. Matthew

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Heritage Committee

The Heritage Committee was asked to prepare a display representing the churches in the Presbytery for General Assembly. This was completed and taken to General Assembly in Dickson, Tn. The display was a large cake with pictures of most of the churches in the presbytery. The candles represented the number of years in existence of each church. Small photo albums and histories of some of the churches were also displayed. The display will be shown at the Fall meeting of Red River Presbytery.

Recommendation 1: Note the blank spaces on the cake. If your church is one of them, please take pictures of your church plant--inside and out-- and get them to the Heritage Committee. They can be sent to St. Timothy c/o Linda Addington or email to laddingtn@aol.com.

Recommendation 2: Susan Gore reminded us that the minutes of each church need to be sent to the Historical Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenda Foreman, Chairman
Linda Addington
Judy Lain

Report of Board of Trustees

To the members of Red River Presbytery in session with the Covenant Congregation, Ada, OK.

Three of the four members of the Bd. of Trustees met August 28 with the Board of Finance and Board of Missions of Red River presbytery regarding the Stonegate Congregation's default on the fifteen year loan with the Board of Stewardship and Benefits. President Randy Davidson was appointed to represent the Trustees in working on this matter.

We are happy to report that the Duncan OK property was sold to the local hospital for an amount in excess of five hundred thousand dollars. These funds have been placed by direction of presbytery with the Board of Stewardship and Benefits for future use and the Marlow Congregation with whom the Duncan Church merged.

A continuing concern of the Trustees is securing copies of deeds of all church property in the presbytery. It would be helpful if churches would send a copy of the front page of the abstract or Title Policy which states Red River Presbytery as the owner of the property. An updated list of churches which have sent in this information is in process.

The name of the Stated Clerk is to be added to the list of signatures on the Safety Deposit Box at the Bank of America in Ft. Worth. This is being updated due to the death of Dick Gilliland who had been most helpful in helping to maintain the box. It takes two persons to go into the box thus the need to have more than one person locally. Those on the signature card are Dick Smith, Pat Huff (former Stated Clerk) and James C. Gilbert.

Signed,

Randy Davidson, president
James C. Gilbert, Secretary

Red River Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry
Fall Meeting, Fri. & Sat., Oct. 15 & 16, 2010
Covenant CP Church, Ada, Oklahoma
Theme: "What Do These Stones Mean?"

Friday, Oct. 15, 7:00 p.m.

The Red River CPWM met on Friday, Oct. 15th at 7:00 p.m. President Vera Williams, St. Mark CP Church, welcomed everyone and led in the **opening prayer**. There were nine present.

The **hymn** "How Firm A Foundation" was led by Vera.

The **Bible study** was led by Barbara Isaacs. She divided us into groups to discuss our theme scripture, Joshua 4: 1-9, with questions she received at Convention. We came back together for a large group discussion.

Barbara Isaacs led us in a combination **memorial service/craft project**. Each church represented put names of those to be remembered on stones and the stones were hot glued to a stand that had a flag in it with the church name on it. Each church was given their memorial. **Prayer** to lift up those remembered was offered by Barbara Isaacs and sentence prayers were offered by others.

Refreshments were provided and we were **adjourned** with prayer by Vera at 8:35 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 16, 9:00 a.m.

The Red River CPWM met jointly with Red River Presbytery for **worship service**.

The Red River CPWM meeting was **called to order** on Saturday, Oct. 16th at 10:10 a.m. by President Vera Williams. Vera opened the meeting with **prayer**.

The **devotion** was given by Ruth Baugh, St. Mark CP Church, on theme scripture, Joshua 4:1-9. She talked about the theme, "What Do These Stones Mean?" She led in prayer.

The **theme hymn**, "How Firm A Foundation" was led by Mary Lou Turpen, Locust Grove CP Church.

Motion was made and passed to **adopt the agenda** with necessary changes.

The **Credentials Report** was read by Ann Ryan, Covenant CP Church. There were six first delegates, four regional officers, one silver patron member, one

golden patron member, and four visitors making a total of sixteen present. The churches represented were Covenant, St. Mark, Locust Grove, St. Timothy, St. John, Faith, Marlow-Duncan, and Whitney for a total of eight churches represented. Motion made and carried to accept the report.

Barbara Isaacs introduced our **speaker**, Dr. Ray Quiett, of Covenant Church who is a retired professor of Human Resources and an ordained Baptist minister. He is a licensed professional counselor in private practice in Ada, Oklahoma. Dr. Quiett's topic was "Life Choices and Responsibilities" with reference to Joshua 21:15. He spoke about how each of us is totally responsible for our own behavior. He elaborated on the four aspects of behavior—what I do, what I believe, what I think, and what I feel—and the role the Holy Spirit plays in each.

Announcements were made and names were drawn for give-a-ways. Covenant Church announced that they had an "Item Auction" coming up on Nov. 21st and Faith announced that for Halloween they have a "Trunk N Treat" event in their church parking lot.

Motion made and seconded to approve a recommendation from the Executive Committee that in addition to the offices of secretary and treasurer that we add the position of secretary-elect and treasurer-elect for one year for training purposes. Motion carried.

Motion made, seconded and approved to table the State of Work Report until the spring meeting.

Barbara Harrell, secretary, **appointed the following committees** to meet during lunch:

Credentials Committee

Ann Ryan, Covenant
Linda Davidson, Covenant

Nominating Committee

Ruth Baugh, St. Mark
Mary Lou Turpen, Locust Grove

Correspondence Committee

Bev Burnett, St. John
Annetta Farmer, Marlow-Duncan

The **prayer of blessing** for lunch was offered by Nancy King, Faith Church.

LUNCH (Committees met)

The meeting was **called to order** as Vera Williams, president, welcomed everyone back from lunch.

The **theme hymn**, "I Love to Tell the Story" was led by Mary Lou Turpen.

Vera began the business session with the reading of the minutes from April 17, 2010. Motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the minutes as read.

The **Executive Committee Report** was read.

Motion was made and carried to approve the recommendation from the Executive Committee that we **discontinue the Red River Regional newsletter**, "Red River Crossing," for lack of participation. We commend and thank Ellie Miller for the wonderful job she did on the newsletter.

The Treasurer's Report was read by Nancy King, Faith Church. She reported a balance of \$685.00. The report was filed for audit.

Vera presented the **proposed budget for 2010-11**. **Motion** was made, seconded and approved to accept the proposed budget for 2010-2011 as follows:

Convention Offering	\$ 100.00
Exec. Com. Expense (Travel)	200.00
Delegate to Convention	900.00
Regional Meeting Expense	350.00
(printing, supplies, travel)	
Miscellaneous	<u>100.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,650.00

Note: \$100 taken out of Exec. Com. Expense, \$100 added to Regional Meeting Expense, and Newsletter Expense of \$100 taken out.

Barbara Isaacs present her **report on Convention** as delegate to Convention. **Motion** made and passed to accept the report.

Ruth Baugh read the **Nominating Committee Report**. Nomination for president-elect is Bev Burnett. Nomination for secretary-elect is Mary Lou Turpen. Nomination for Convention delegate is president, Vera Williams and alternate Convention delegate is Barbara Isaacs. **Motion** made, seconded, and passed to accept report.

Vera opened the floor for nominations for president-elect, secretary-elect, Convention delegate, and alternate Convention delegate. **Motion** made, seconded and passed that nominations cease and that those nominated be elected by acclamation.

The **Correspondence Committee Report** was read by Annetta Farmer. The committee will send cards of thanks to Covenant CP Church, CPWM, Dr. Kevin Henson, the choir, and Dr. Ray Quiett. They will send get well or missed you cards to Mayme Miley, Dawna King, Adela Basheer, and Ellie Miller. Those to be remembered in prayer are Rev. Don Curley, Joel Mowdy, Rev. Roosevelt Baugh, Bill Corbett, and Weta Shortes. **Motion** made, seconded, and passed to accept the report.

A **time of sharing** was led by Vera. Many of the women shared what activities their church and Women's Ministry were doing in service to the Lord.

More names were drawn for give-a-ways.

Mary Lou Turpen led us in **the hymn**, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart."

Motion made, seconded and passed to **adjourn**. Linda Addington led in the **closing prayer** at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Harrell

Secretary