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Proceedings of Salem Presbytery – Ninety-Eighth Stated Meeting May 4, 2013

Starmount Presbyterian Church, Greensboro, North Carolina

SALEM ACTIONS:

Approved the Administrative Commission to ordain Ms. Melissa Garrett Davis to a validated ministry at the OGA.

Approved OGA amendment for new translation of Heidelberg Catechism.

Approved property purchase by Oak Ridge Presbyterian Church, Oak Ridge.

Approved dismissal of Westminster Presbyterian to the EPC

Approved ecclesiastical endorsement for military chaplaincy application by Rev. Grant Sutphin, Statesville, First.

Certified Ready to Receive a Call:

- Andy Hamer

Enrolled as a Candidate for Ministry as TE:

- Nathan Peifer

Dismissed:

- Rev. Jeff Duane Smith from the roll of Salem Presbytery at his request.
- Rev. Powell Sykes from the roll of Salem Presbytery at his request.

Removed:

- Rev. Eddie Self from the roll of Salem Presbytery.

Approved Changes in Terms of Call for:

- Rev. Stephen W. Scott, First Presbyterian Statesville
- Rev. Grant Sutphin, First Presbyterian Statesville

Approved Examinations of:

- Rev. Stephanie Hankins, transferred from Greater Atlanta Presbytery

- Rev. Jo Nygard Owens, transferred from Presbytery of New Hope
- Rev. Christopher "Kit" Schooley, transferred from New Castle Presbytery
- Ms. Melissa Garrett Davis, approved for ordination.

Approved a Pastoral Call to:

- Ms. Melissa Garrett Davis to a validated ministry as Coordinator for Immigration issues in the Office of the General Assembly following her ordination.

Renewed Interim Pastor contracts between:

- Rev. Joel Long & Boone, First February 1, 2013 – January 31, 2014
- Rev. Doug Gebhard & Shallowford, Lewisville August 1, 2012 – July 31, 2013

Renewed CRE-Lay Pastor contracts between:

- Mr. Bill Browder & Mt. Vernon Springs (Siler City) February 1, 2013 – January 31, 2014
- Mr. Emery Rann & Mt. Vernon (Woodleaf) February 10, 2013 – February 9, 2014
- Mr. David E. Stratton & Sandy Ridge (Stoneville) January 14, 2013 – January 13, 2014
- Mr. Hal McElroy & Gulf (Gulf) January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013
- Mr. Steve Braxton & Trinity (Elon) March 15, 2013 – March 14, 2014
- Mr. Joseph T. Brown & Dogwood Acres (Asheboro) February 17, 2013 – February 16, 2014

Renewed the Stated Supply relationship between:

- Rev. Timothy Bates & Cameron (Statesville) January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013
- Rev. Timothy Bates & Calvary (Statesville) January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013
- Rev. Bruce Benton & Sparta (Sparta) February 1, 2013 – January 31, 2014

- Rev. Richard E. Hildebrandt & Piedmont (Burlington)
April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014

Dissolved Pastoral relationship between:

- Rev. Jon Watt & Highland (Winston-Salem)
Effective April 14, 2013
- Rev. Joanne Hull & Prospect (Mooresville)
Effective June 30, 2013
- Rev. Chan Woo Lee & Korean First (Greensboro)
Effective July 31, 2013

Granted permission to labor outside bounds

- Ms. Melissa Garrett Davis following her ordination
- Rev. Marvin Lindsay in Presbytery of the James

Appointed Moderator of Sessions:

- Rev. Curtis Patterson at First (Thomasville)
Effective May 2, 2013- August 12, 2013
- Rev. Jennie Hemrick at Pine Hall (Pine Hall)
- Rev. Tempe Fussell at Glenwood (Greensboro)
- Rev. James Rissmiller at Faith (Greensboro)
- Rev. Paul Woodall at Lansing (Lansing)

Granted Status of Honorable Retirement to:

- Rev. Robert Eugene Lee
Effective March 1, 2013
- Rev. Dr. Sandy Kern
Effective July 31, 2013
- Rev. Delores Spielman
Effective May 20, 2013
- Rev. Jeff White
Effective July 31, 2013

Approved individuals to fill vacancies on presbytery committees. Individuals elected to serve on

- **Budget & Finance:**
 - Elder Rick Purcell
- **COM West**
 - Rev. Lynn Stall
- **Examinations:**
 - Rev. Paul Rhodes
 - Elder James R. Norris
 - Rev. Debbie Layman
- **PJC class of 2018:**
 - Elder William Hinman
- **Self Development of People:**
 - Elder Selina Bonilla
 - Rev. Buck Cochran
 - Elder Angie Diaz

SALEM HEARD:

- Rev. Carl Utley, former Moderator of Salem Presbytery and Pastor of Oak Ridge Presbyterian, Oak Ridge, preaching in worship: Scripture: John 5: 1-13
- Participated in Worship, led by Campus Ministry, and the Lord's Supper
- Participated a service of Honorable Retirement for Rev. Robert E. Lee and Rev. George Murray
- Presentations or reports from the Council, Examinations, Committee on Ministry, Hunger Action Advocate, Church Growth and Transformation,
- Participated in a litany of welcome for the new members of Salem Presbytery
- Voted on Heidelberg Amendment for the Book of Order
- 2012 Salem Presbytery Necrology
- Presentation by Rev. Helen Locklear, BOP
- Presentation by Mr. Olanda Carr, Presbyterian Foundation
- Ms. Catherine Lynch present a PILP check to Chapel in the Pines

Presbytery Meetings 2013

- *Tuesday, February 12-complete*
- *Saturday, May 4-complete*
- **Tuesday, August 6
FPC, Burlington**
- **Saturday, November 9
Prospect, Mooresville**