

Wycliffe Presbytery of the CREC

Annual Meeting with Triennial Council

October 6-9, 2014, Lake Tahoe

PM Niell called the meeting to order at 9:00 and opened with prayer.

The assembled men sang *O God of Earth and Altar*.

The delegates and visitors introduced themselves.

PM Niell gave an exhortation based on and Eugene Peterson's book *Under the Unpredictable Plant*.

PM Niell gave an overview of the schedule of the Presbytery and Council meetings and introduced church reports agenda item.

Each delegate gave a report concerning the condition of their respective congregations.

Pastor Todd Davis reported on Christ Church, Searcy, AR

Pastor Todd Davis and Deacon Charles Williams, III gave a report concerning Grace Covenant Church, Fontaine, AR

No representatives were present from Grace Covenant Church, Texarkana, AR

Assistant Pastor Gabe Wetmore reported on Auburn Avenue Presbyterian Church, Monroe, LA

Pastor John Barach reported concerning Covenant Presbyterian Church, Sulphur, LA

Ruling Elder Gregg Sapp reported on Saint David's Church, Hockley, TX

Ruling Elder Mark Thrash reported on Heritage Covenant Church, Weatherford, TX

Pastor Randy Booth reported concerning Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Nacogdoches, TX, and on behalf of Pastor David Givler Pastor Booth also reported briefly on Christ Covenant Church, San Antonio, TX, which is overseen by the session of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Nacogdoches.

Pastor Jeff Niell reported on All Saints Presbyterian Church, Fort Worth, TX

Pastor Oleg Volkov reported on Reformed Presbyterian Church, St. Petersburg, Russia.

Following church reports, the delegates took a break. The presbytery meeting reconvened at approximately 10:55 a.m.

Pastor Volkov introduced Pastor Valerii Kevorkiantc, who gave a report concerning Candidate Church Evangelical Reformed Church, Kazan Tartarstan, Russia.

Pastor Mark Balthrop gave a report on Candidate Church Redeemer Reformed Church of Oklahoma City, OK.

Following lunch, the delegates broke into groups to pray for one another's churches.

PM Niell directed the delegates' attention to the Report from the Minister of Council, Pastor Jack Phelps, and to the proposed new logos for the CREC which are a part of that report.

PM Niell presented the Report from Presiding Minister of Wycliffe Presbytery.

PM Niell asked consent from the delegates to move the discussion of influential books to a later time. There was no objection.

PM Niell presented to the delegates the items on the Council agenda, and considerable discussion followed.

PM Niell proposed to host the Wycliffe Presbytery meeting in Fort Worth, TX, on one of the following dates: July 27-28, August 3-4 or August 10-11.

The Presbytery meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m., following a prayer of adjournment by Pastor Todd Davis.

Agenda

Opening Prayer

Welcome & Introductions...a few other Words

Schedule Review: Presbytery & Council Schedule (see the next page)

- Back & Forth, if needed
- Our delegates: Niell & Booth
- Some of the items for Council/delegates and Presbytery
- Quorum Present (Y / N)

Church Reports

Member & Mission Churches:

Arkansas

Christ Church, Searcy

Grace Covenant Church, Jonesboro/Fontaine

Grace Covenant Church, Texarkana

Louisiana

Auburn Avenue Presbyterian Church, Monroe

Covenant Presbyterian Church, Sulphur

Texas

St. David's Church of Hockley, Hockley

Heritage Covenant Church, Weatherford

Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Nacogdoches

Christ Church, San Antonio

All Saints Presbyterian, Fort Worth

St. Petersburg, Russia

The Reformed Presbyterian Church of St. Petersburg, Russia

Candidate Churches:

Kazan Tartarstan

Evangelical Reformed Church (Pastor Valerii Kevorkiantc), Pastor Oleg Volkov

Oklahoma

Redeemer Reformed Church of Oklahoma City, OK

Prayer for one another

Reports

Report from Presiding Minister of Council, Pastor Jack Phelps

Report from Presiding Minister of Wycliffe Presbytery, Pastor Jeff Niell

Interaction & Encouragement: Influential Books

Review of Council Items

Futures—

- Church Information Sheets
- Presiding Minister *pro tem*
- Presbytery, 2015
Fort Worth, Texas; All Saints Presbyterian Church

Dates:

- The next Triennial Presbytery/Council Meeting will occur in 2017

Closing Prayer & Adjournment