

Spiritual Formation

Worship and Prayer

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Oversight/Accountability

Operations Committee – Anne Compton

- 2023/24 Budget Concept 2.0

Governance Coordinating Committee – T. Hardie

ECO Update – Karen Konker

- Hosting Presbytery of Texas, September 15-16
- Motion to call Bill Moody as Assistant Pastor
- Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary Curie Lecture Series – Jennifer Tollett

Closing Prayer

Next Meeting – Monday, August 28, 2023

Governance Resources

- hppres.org/governanceresources



Omnibus Motion

Motion to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting, the minutes from the regular Session Meeting on May 22, 2023 and the May 2023 Membership reports (pages 3-18).

Highland Park

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

STATED MEETING OF THE SESSION HIGHLAND PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 22, 2023, 6:00 PM

<i>Quorum</i>	Present
<i>Attendance</i>	Attached
<i>Spiritual Formation</i>	<p>Worship and Prayer</p> <p>The meeting began with a video from John Ortberg on the life and influence of Tim Keller. It was followed by a time of singing led by Calum Lindsay and a time of reflection on the stirring and leading of the Holy Spirit as we approach Pentecost Sunday.</p> <p>Call to Order</p> <p>Bryan Dunagan called the business meeting to order at 6:30 pm. A motion was made to approve the agenda for tonight’s meeting, the Minutes and Attendance Records of the regular Session meeting of April 24, 2023, and the April 2023 Membership Report. The motion passed unanimously. A motion also was made, seconded and approved unanimously to receive the newest covenant partners taking vows on May 14, 2023 at HPPres, and those taking vows on April 23, 2023 at Grace Church Lake Highlands, as listed in the Membership Report.</p>
<i>Shepherding the Flock</i>	<p>Pastor’s Report</p> <p>Bryan Dunagan provided reports on the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sarah Good’s departure was noted with great appreciation for her service and leadership during times for our church that were particularly trying. Sarah leaves a team of well trained and capable people leading our staff in all departments. Ted Munselle who has long been involved with the Operations Committee has agreed to step in as interim executive director, for which the Session is deeply grateful. 2. Nine interns have begun their summer employment, all having roots at HPPres. 3. Vacation Bible School approaches. We are expecting more than 1,000 children and volunteers. 4. Construction of the planned renovations at Grace Church Lake Highlands will begin as soon as necessary permits and other preparations are in place. 5. We can now confirm that the national headquarters of ECO will be moving to the Dallas area over the summer and early fall. 6. Bryan has met recently with the senior pastors of the 8 largest ECO churches. Many are new to their roles and face challenges of various kinds. One issue that is common is how to further strengthen those leading the churches in our denomination. Growing new leaders is even more challenging when we really need them to be ready when they arrive. It was noted that Bryan is the longest tenured senior pastor among these 8. 7. Finally, Bryan asked, and the Session readily agreed to hold the June Session meeting on June 26 at Good Shepherd Oak Cliff.
<i>Discernment/Strategic Visioning</i>	<p>Family of Churches Update</p> <p>No report.</p>

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	<p>Vision Committee</p> <p>Vic Bloede had no report except that the Vision Committee continues its study of next steps in the project of encouraging an emotionally healthy church.</p>
<p><i>Oversight/ Accountability</i></p>	<p>ECO Coordinator</p> <p>John Walsh reported on the reflections of ECO Presbytery of Texas on Kingdom Expansion, with plans to emphasize church planting as an essential means of growing the kingdom. Beginning at the end of this month, member churches will make a concerted effort to engage in corporate prayer for God’s kingdom work. Model prayers for the period from May 28 through September 24 are included with these minutes.</p> <p>Governance Coordinating Committee</p> <p>T. Hardie gave a brief report on the committee assignment process. Nominations for committee assignments for 2023-2024 will be made by the GCC at the June Session meeting. Committee moderators were encouraged to communicate to the GCC any needs or preferences for new committee members on their committees. T. also reported that the GCC is planning the next Gathering of Elders for early August at a lunch meeting where we will have the opportunity to report on our financial year-end and plans for the next fiscal year.</p> <p>Operations Committee</p> <p>Anne Compton gave a brief financial report, advising that receipts so far this fiscal year exceed receipts for last year by \$1.1 million, but are still less than budgeted receipts. Expenses are also below budget and are being watched by the Committee and all staff very carefully. Preliminary thoughts are that the Operations Committee will recommend a flat budget for fiscal year 2024. Anne also reported that we are still waiting for the arrival of the new air conditioning equipment (hoping existing equipment will last the summer), and we are planning for some maintenance and upkeep on the West Block homes.</p> <p>Closing Prayer</p> <p>There being no further business, the Session formed a circle and held hands to close in prayer.</p> <p>The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.</p>
<p><i>Upcoming Schedule</i></p>	<p>Next Session Meeting – June 26, 2023 at Good Shepherd Oak Cliff.</p>

Bryan Dunagan, Moderator

Thornton Hardie, Clerk of Session

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SESSION ATTENDANCE 2022-2023

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Elder	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Vic Bloede	X	A	X		X	X	X	X	X			
Jackie Burke	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	A			
Andrew Campbell	X	X	X		A	X	X	A	X			
Anne Compton	X	A	X		X	X	X	X	X			
Vuong Dao	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			
Justin Eastburn	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	A			
T. Hardie, Clerk	X	X	X		X	X	A	X	X			
Sharon Johnson	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			
Karen Konker	A	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			
Brett Krause	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			
Lauren Langley	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			
David Martin	X	X	X		X	X	A	X	A			
Craig Murray	X	A	X		X	X	X	X	X			
Margaret Nderitu	A	X	X		X	X	A	X	X			
Becky Paterik	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			
Kelsey Phillips	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			
John Rain	A	X	X		X	X	X	X	A			
Karl Rathjen	X	A	A		X	X	X	X	A			
Alisa Sell	X	X	X		A	X	A	X	X			
Reid Slaughter	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			
Jennifer Tollett	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			
John Walsh	X	A	X		X	X	X	X	X			
Madeline Wilkins	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			

Others in attendance:

Bryan Dunagan, Cameron Beaty, Charlie Dunn, Simon Kingori, Jay Lee, Josh Peck, Wes Nichols, Theresa Guerra, Emily Scates, Calum Lindsay, and Zach House.

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**ECO PRESBYTERY OF TEXAS
KINGDOM EXPANSION
PERIOD OF PRAYERS**

*“Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.” Matthew 6:10*

May 28, 2023 thru September 24, 2023

MAY 28, 2023 Week

THE GREAT COMMISSION

JOEL MOORE

Hebrews 12:15a, Matthew 28: 18-20

Gracious God, you have called us to be Kingdom people sent and guided by your Holy Spirit to proclaim the Good News in a world that so desperately needs to hear it. In your providence, you have brought the nations of the world to us, immigrants from every tribe and tongue living among us, hungry for a new life; making the harvest great in our own communities, yet the laborers are few. Let us not hinder the grace of you, our God, by refusing to obey your Word; let us be committed to Kingdom Expansion, dependent upon your Holy Spirit, confident in your good pleasure to provide for all our needs, resilient in the face of trials and tribulations, and diligent in ongoing prayer. We trust that you are going before us and, in humble obedience, we desire to follow you as we pray in the Name of the One who died for those to whom he was sent, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen!

Reverend Joel Moore, Lead Pastor First Presbyterian San Angelo and Moderator ECO Presbytery of Texas

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JUNE 4, 2023 Week

THOSE WHO NEVER HEARD THE GOSPEL

CAMERON BEATY

Acts 4:12, Mark 16: 15-16, Matthew 9:37-38

Father in Heaven, We pray for those who have never heard the gospel of grace – the good news of Jesus and Him crucified, resurrected and One Day returning to make all things new. We ask that you would raise up missionaries among us who will go to the unreached peoples of the world. Give us courage and compassion to make Jesus known among our own neighbors. By the power of the Spirit, strengthen the witness of the church, whom You love. In the strong name of King Jesus, we pray.

Reverend Cameron Beaty, Peak Street Church – HPPC, Dallas, TX

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JUNE 11, 2023 Week

THOSE WHO REJECTED JESUS

MARK RENN

1 Timothy 1:19, John 12: 48-50

Father of mercy and reconciliation, we cry out to you on behalf of those who have rejected your Son. Distracted by the lies of the world and the evil one, they have convinced themselves of their own self sufficiency. Even within the Church, many have wandered from Your truth and have accepted the ways of the world as their own. All your people to repentance! Help them to see Your Way, Your Truth and Your Life as the only source of salvation and security for this life and the next. Amen!

Reverend Mark Renn, Pastor Pioneer Mission Community, Brenham, TX

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JUNE 18, 2023 Week

NEW TEXANS

BEN WANG

Deuteronomy 10:19, Luke: 10:27

Dear Lord, Lord Jesus, help us by your grace, to banish barriers and doubts in our hearts and in our minds, that we may embrace and welcome sojourners and new Texans with joy and generosity. May you use us to pour out your love on the migrant crowd, welcoming them as our neighbors. We ask that you help us to love these new Texans with that same kind of love that you extend towards us and see them through your eyes, as we celebrate the many gifts they bring and to let our light shine so that the new Texans will glorify you. Lord, we also pray for our new communities - Bless their homes and families, and let your love and peace so shine within these communities that strangers become friends, even become your people. We pray this through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace. Amen!

Reverend Ben Wang, Pastor Mandarin Chinese Church, Highland Park Presbyterian, Dallas, TX

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JUNE 25, 2023 Week

UNREACHED IN TEXAS

KAY ATCHISON

James 2:8, Romans 15:2

Lord, we ask you continually remind us to love our neighbors and build them up in their faith especially in kingdom expansion and new church planting. May we be the pleasant aroma to you, God, as we offer ourselves in Your service to share Your Gospel, full of grace and love for all. Move us out of our comfort zones, Lord and empower us through the Holy Spirit, to be motivated to share our faith and encourage the development and growth of new worshipping communities. Texas is a big state but you, God, are bigger than our vision, so give us hearts in both urban and rural areas! Give us eyes to see where we are called to make a difference in expansion of Your kingdom. In the powerful name of Your Son, to whom all authority on earth and in heaven has been given, Amen!

Reverend Kay Atchison, Hardeman County Ministry, Hardeman, Co, TX

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JULY 2, 2023 Week

EXISTING CHURCH PLANTS IN TEXAS

PETE JOHNSON

Colossians 1:10-12, Romans 12:12-13

Heavenly Father, we are joined together and compelled by your Holy Spirit to lift up to you those church plants across Texas that exist today...and those that you are forming in the coming season with the Gospel of Jesus burning in the hearts of all. May they find a renewed fervor to continue to take the steps of faith needed as they encounter difficulties and obstacles. Encourage them Lord, meet their every need, providing them with places to gather and financial resources to fuel their ministry. Most importantly Lord, orchestrate conversations and encounters with those who so desperately need to know you as their savior as well as those who need a church home. Guard and protect our church planters across Texas in the name of Father, the Son and Holy Spirit, we ask in Jesus name, Amen!

Reverend Pete Johnson, Christ of the Hills Church, Boerne, TX

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JULY 9, 2023 Week

EXISTING MICRO EXPRESSIONS

CHARLIE DUNN

Mark 10:27, Romans 12

Lord Jesus, we long for more of our neighbors to have a breathtaking view of your mercy to them that they would want to offer their lives to you and experience the transformation found in you. We know you could accomplish this work without us, but we are amazed that you choose to use and gift each of us for this mission. We thank you for all of those who are using their spiritual gifts in bold ways, as they seek to establish new churches in Texas. May these churches be marked by the sincerity, humility, hospitality, and devotion with which you call us to love one another and with which you love us. For we ask it in your strong and saving name. Amen!

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JULY 16, 2023 Week

TRANSITIONING TO CHARTER

CHESTER CHUNG

Ephesians 2:19, 1 Peter 2:5

Sovereign LORD, our Father God in heaven, we lift up Your church, especially those congregations in process of becoming Chartered members of ECO Presbytery of Texas. We ask You to be their providence for all their needs, especially in raising Your choice spiritual leaders to guide the new community. Bring greater fervor of Your holy Spirit for unity in the bond of peace. Remind them they are ultimately one household in You, fellow citizens and Kingdom workers, being built up as living stones into Your house. Stir-up a burning passion among the congregants to reach farther and wider for Your lost sheep among all nations. Let these churches flourish, O God, for Your Name's sake, and for the fulfillment of Your Great Commission! May all glory go to You, and all Your joy come down to them, through Jesus Christ our risen LORD we pray, Amen!

Reverend Chester Chung, Pastor Hosanna Presbyterian, Carrollton, TX

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JULY 23, 2023 Week

FUTURE KINGDOM EXPRESSIONS

BRUNO ZECCHIN

Psalm 127: 1, Romans 12:13, Hebrews 10: 24-25

Our Father who art in heaven, we lift up all the unimagined, unthought of, unplanned gatherings of your people who are and will be your Church in the future. As you build these expressions of your Kingdom, provide the visions of ways to worship you while serving your children in unrevealed places and settings while guiding the thoughts and hands of the laborers so that you will always be glorified. We ask that you provide the resources of leaders and church planters who are inspired and equipped; as well as, the financial and other support that will be needed; most importantly bring people who hunger and thirst for you. Remove all anxiety and fear of following you into the future with reminders of your love as you faithfully fill your children with hope as we labor for your Kingdom. We pray as we have been taught "...Your Kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.."Amen!

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JULY 30, 2023 Week

CURRENT CHURCH PLANTERS

CHRIS & REBECCA HARRISON

Joshua 1:9, 2 Timothy 4:2, Philippians 4:6

Father, the work of pushing your Kingdom beyond our comfortable boundaries is difficult and tiring; as well as, exhilarating, though frightening. For those pastors who find themselves at the margins of ministry today, we pray for new expressions of your body to form. We pray for bold imagination to see you at work in third spaces and ask that you would provide partners to come alongside and join the work. We pray for provision and prayers, empowerment and peace and that your Spirit will guard the hearts and minds of all church planting pastors' in the name of Jesus. Amen!

Reverend Chris and Reverend Rebecca Harrison, Kingdom Story Fellowship, Houston, TX

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AUGUST 6, 2023 Week

CURRENT STEERING TEAMS

JULIE MCCRACKEN

Titus 1: 5 & 9, 1 Peter 5: 1-3

Dear Heavenly Father, Almighty King of the Universe,
We ask for your guidance, Holy Spirit, for all steering teams, to be bold, faithful stewards who are hospitable; loving what is good, sensible, and just.
Keep all devout, self-controlled while holding fast to the faithful word of Christ Jesus.
Help all steering teams, Holy Spirit, lovingly shepherd the unchurched people in their various paths, voluntarily and eagerly.
LORD, give each steering team boldness, courage, and wisdom to lead each ministry to expand Your Kingdom. Praying in the name of Jesus, Amen!

Elder Julie McCracken, Steering Team Member
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AUGUST 13, 2023 Week

FUTURE CHURCH PLANTERS

ANDREW FRANKLIN

Romans 12:12, Proverbs 16:9

Father, We thank you *for* calling and equipping the apostles, prophets, evangelists, shepherds, and teachers; - *would you now raise up new church planters to be workers in the plentiful harvest?* Please, even in this moment, plant ideas, passions, stir up conversations, introduce books and topics that would help them sense a call to planting. We ask that you help men and women hear this call to launch new churches, and as they plan their course, please establish their steps and equip all those who answer Your call. In Your majesty humble them, teach them to rely on you, give them a firm foundation to prepare them for the good works that you will place before them. We praise you for being a God of perfect community-- father, son and spirit; while we thank you for lovingly bringing us into that fellowship, by your grace as we pray in the name of Jesus our Lord, Amen

Reverend Andrew Franklin, Pastor, Good Shepherd Oak Cliff, Dallas, TX
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AUGUST 20, 2023 Week

VISIONS OF NEW KINGDOM EXPANSION

OZZIE MENEZES

Revelation 3:20, 2 Corinthians 4:18, Joel 2:28

Lord Jesus, pour out your Spirit on the Church in the state of Texas. May your Kingdom appear among us and be a shade for the weary and lost. May your Kingdom never be limited or impeded by our sinful or negligent attitudes. Manifest your kingdom as love, as mercy, as deliverance, as healing, as eternal salvation, as hope of resurrection, as manifestation of your truth against all the lies of the present order. Help us to live the Kingdom of God in human history today with dreams, visions and prophecy, this is our desire, we ask in the name of our King. Amen!

Reverend Ozzie Menezes, One Way Church, Austin, TX

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AUGUST 27, 2023 Week

ECO WIDE CHURCH PLANTING

LUKE PARKER

Psalm 127: 1, Matthew 16: 15-18

Lord, we know that the harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few, we ask that you would send out laborers into your harvest. For those considering planting with ECO we ask for wisdom in their decision making process and that no decisions would be made out of selfish ambition but all for your glory. For those in the assessment process we ask for clarity, both for them and the ECO assessment team. Lord, continue to strengthen those already planting, helping them rely on your faithful guidance. We also pray for the ECO church planting team, that you would guide them, help them walk in step with your spirit, and know how to best support and resource our planters in the powerful name of Jesus, Amen!

Reverend Luke Parker, Director of Church Planting, ECO

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SEPTEMBER 3, 2023 Week

INCREASED AND IMPROVED INDIVIDUAL WITNESS

SIMON KING'ORI

Luke 9:23, Isaiah 6:8, Matthew 14:22-30

Lord we thank you for sending your son Jesus Christ in to the world. Through His death and resurrection we have been reconciled to you as our Father. And now that Jesus has come into our lives and is working in us, we are grateful He has called us to partner with Him in bringing restoration to others and to the world. What an incredible privilege! Help us to be inspired and be willing to respond to the invitation to say, "Here I am, Send Me." For how will they believe in whom they have never heard, and how will they hear without someone preaching, And how are they to preach unless they are sent? And thank you that we get to share the good news in the power of the Holy Spirit. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen!

Reverend Simon M. King'ori – Pastor of All Nations Congregation HP – Dallas, TX

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SEPTEMBER 10, 2023 Week

RESOURCES FOR NEW AND EXISTING PLANTS AND MICRO EXPRESSIONS

DANA ALLIN

Philippians 4:4 – 6

Lord we thank you that as we think about the overwhelming needs to start and strengthen churches we are reminded of your command to rejoice and not be anxious as we come to you in prayer. And so God we know that you equip your people for any task to which you have called them. We pray therefore that you would cultivate boldness and generosity in our congregations and leaders to pursue the mission to which we have been called. We pray that you would raise up the next generation of pastors in and through our congregations and that you would ignite the hearts of our covenant partners to capture a vision for ways that you are calling them to greater ministry in your name. Finally Lord we do this with thanksgiving knowing that you already know our needs and are ready to supply. Amen!

Reverend Dr. Dana Allin, Executive Director ECO, Las Colinas, Irving/Dallas, TX

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SEPTEMBER 17, 2023 Week

CONGREGATIONS SUPPORTING KINGDOM EXPANSION IN TEXAS

WILL ZHAO

Revelation 3:14-22, Acts 16: 9

Our generous God, creator, redeemer, and healer of sinners, thank you for loving us as your children and rebuking us when it is needed. Help us to avoid being lukewarm and self-centered, but let us be generous and open our doors to you and your children. Grant us your vision of bringing lost sheep to you; build up the new kingdom expressions in Texas through our prayers and support. Please bless and enrich those congregation that are supporting the expansion of your Kingdom here in Texas. For Christ's sake, Amen

Will Zhao, Intern church planter, Highland Park Chinese Church, Dallas, TX

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SEPTEMBER 24, 2023 Week

CONGREGATIONS NOT CURRENTLY SUPPORTING KINGDOM EXPANSION IN TEXAS

Emmanuel Paulpeter

Revelation 3: 14-22, Philippians 4:19

Father - Thank you for being a loving Father who is knocking at the door of our hearts! We hear you knocking on the door of our hearts to lead us further into the mission to the world for the sake of the Gospel, by participating in planting Gospel communities. I pray that you would soften our hearts especially in places where it is jaded, hardened and callous. Help us to align our heart to the tune of what is close to your heart for our neighbors, city and the world. In the name of Jesus, empower us by the Holy Spirit so we would be your faithful servants going on mission joyfully, proclaiming your love, for the glory of your name. Amen!

Reverend Emmanuel Paulpeter, Pastor of Outreach First Presbyterian Houston, Houston, TX

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2023 May Membership Report

May 1, 2023 through May 31, 2023

Session Meeting of June 26, 2023

Covenant Partners - May 31, 2023

AGE	Total: Beginning of the Month	New Covenant Partners	Dismissed Covenant Partners	Deceased Covenant Partners	Total: End of the Month	Percent of Total
18 & Under*	246	17	0	0	263	5%
19 to 35	1543	25	0	0	1568	30%
36 to 50	890	18	0	0	908	17%
51 to 65	1178	4	0	0	1182	23%
66 to 80	747	3	0	0	750	14%
81 & Over	369	0	0	1	368	7%
Unknown	147	7	0	0	154	3%
Total	5120	74	0	1	5193	100%

Baptized Members (Infant to 14) - May 31, 2023

According to ECO, a 'baptized member' has been baptized but has not yet made a public profession of faith in Christ, through, for example, our Confirmation experience (7th grade).

AGE	5/31/2023
Infants - 14	798

2022-2023 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

May 31, 2023

Session Meeting of June 25, 2023

NEW COVENANT PARTNERS

HIGHLAND PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Vows taken Sunday, May 14, 2023

Banner, Edward	Goldman, Mike	Maina, Mary
Banner, Piper	Gonzalez, John	McKnight, Amy
Beecherl, Ben	Gonzalez, Julie	McKnight, Drew
Beecherl, Caroline	Hall, Bryan	McKnight, Lindsay
Bridges, Audra	Hall, Jan	McKnight, Philip
Childs, Craig	Hanley, Morgan	Middleton, Yale
Childs, Hannah	Hansbrough, Kelley	Morris, Renee
Coll, Claire	Harrison, Hal	Morris, Rob
Coll, Francisco	House, Zack	Ngare-Karua, Zipporah
Conger, Ashley	House, Bethany	Sellers, Baine
Davis, Mary	Hundley, Frank	Sellers, Sara
Davis, Weldon	Karageorge, Madeline	Smith, Emily
Dabrowski, April	Karageorge, Nick	Smith, Preston
Fowler, Cory	Karua, Eliud	Toms, Kelsey
Fowler, Jenny	Kim, Janice	Wiley, Caleb
Gamble, Liza	Kimemia, Lydiah	Winston, Katie
Gamble, Max	Koch, Adam	Yanez, Isaac
Githaiga, Josphine	Koch, Blythe	
Goldman, Bridget	Kudiza, Miriam	

Confirmation Students also taking Vows

Daggs, Caroline	Jenull, Julie	McKnight, Wayte
Dao, Elizabeth	Jenull, Samuel	Nobles, Lucy
Dao, Isabella	Karuga, Gianna	Roberts, Ella
Hefty, Elise	Kelley, Drake	Schoenvogel, Hawkins
Howie, Hartley	Kingori, Kayla	Stienke, Drake
Jenull, Hunter	Lance, Willa	

MILESTONES

Births

Storey, Jesse, child of Clair Storey on May 5, 2023

Infant Baptisms

Emslie, Billie Sofia, child of Mr. and Mrs. John Emslie (Charley) on May 21, 2023
Kerber, Camille child of Mr. and Mrs. Justin Kerber (Richelle) on May 21, 2023
Kerber, Kate, child of Mr. and Mrs. Justin Kerber (Richelle) on May 21, 2023
Kerber, Sophie Lynne, child of Mr. and Mrs. Justin Kerber (Richelle) on May 21, 2023
Lipscomb, Annie Elizabeth, child of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Lipscomb (Caroline) on May 21, 2023
McWilliams, Virginia Lee, child of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter McWilliams (Catherine) on May 21, 2023
Mwangi, Aya Wambui, child of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kiuna (Junnie) on May 21, 2023
Ngare, Gideon Macharia, child of Mr. and Mrs. Eliud Ngare-Karua (Zipporah) on May 21, 2023
Samuels, Charles David, child of Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Samuels (Christie) on May 21, 2023

Adult Baptisms

None

Weddings

Center, Rosie to Dunham, Geoff on May 13, 20023
Foran, Mary to Hammond, Chad on May 6, 2023

Deaths

Green, Roger on May 22, 2023*
Hein, Betty on May 5, 2023

*guest

DISMISSED COVENANT PARTNERS

Highland Park Presbyterian

Jeffares, Sara dismissed per their request

Motion from the Governance Coordinating Committee
(Approved by the GCC on June 12, 2023)

Motion:

The Governance Coordinating Committee moves that the attached schedule of Governing Elders be approved for the committees indicated for the 2023-2024 fiscal year beginning September 1, 2023, and that the appointment of Governing Elders to the Senior Pastor Evaluation Team for 2023 be ratified and approved.

Rationale:

The GCC is charged with nominating Governing Elders to committees at or prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, and the GCC is further charged with nominating Governing Elders to the Senior Pastor Evaluation Team which conducts an annual evaluation of the Senior Pastor's performance which is reported to the Session in August of each year.

Proposed 2023-24 Governing Elder Committee Assignments
For approval by Session on June 26, 2023

Audit

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ECO Coordinator

John Walsh

ONC

Reid Slaughter - Moderator

John Rain - 25

Lauren Langley - 26

Operations

Anne Compton - 25– Moderator

Reid Slaughter - 24

John Walsh - 25

Justin Eastburn - 25

Brett Krause – 26

Larry Glasscock – 27

Vision

Jackie Burke - 24 – Moderator

Dave Martin - 24

Margaret Nderitu - 24

Alisa Sell – 25

Andrew Campbell – 26

Kelsey Phillips – 26

John Rain – 25

GCC

Jennifer Tollett - Moderator

Karl Rathjen - 25

Craig Murray – 26

Senior Pastor Evaluation Team

Jennifer Tollett

Karl Rathjen

Anne Compton

Becky Paterik

Motion to the Session from the ECO Coordinator, June 26, 2023

It is moved that the Session confirm the call to the position of Assistant Pastor to Bill Moody who is now certified by A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians (ECO), through the Pastoral Ministry Ordination Team of the Texas Presbytery, to receive the call, approved to be Ordained as an ECO Pastor.

Background and Rationale

This would confirm the call of Bill Moody to serve as Assistant Pastor, Peak Street Church, where he has served as Assistant Church Planter since 2020.

Bill graduated from Auburn University in 2013 where he majored in Accounting. Immediately following undergrad, Bill served as Staff Associate with Young Life in Beaumont Texas overseeing outreach at two local high schools – one, a private Catholic school and one, a large 6A public school. In 2016-2020, Bill pursued his ThM from Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas, TX. During seminary he gained related field service experience at Peak Street Church as a ministry intern prior to coming on staff in his current full-time role.

Bill is married to Caitlin, a licensed social worker in foster care with Buckner International. They met in college and are parents of eight-month-old twins, William and Louise. In his role at Peak Street Church, Bill is excited and encouraged by the opportunity to reach young professionals asking big questions about life. Peak Street Church has experienced growth, both in new members and spiritual vitality, through Bill's gift set of pastoral care, teaching and administrative support. He is also grateful to serve alongside the Family of Churches seeking to help people find and follow Jesus for the flourishing of Old East Dallas and beyond.

Pros

Joyously endorse and confirm Bill's call to serve and grow Peak Street Church and participate as a member of the HP Pres Family of Churches and ECO as an Ordained Pastor.

Cons

None

Submitted by Karen Konker, ECO Coordinator, June 26, 2023.

