

Call to the Annual Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Grand Canyon
Saturday, January 21, 2006
Mission del Sol Presbyterian Church, Tempe

1565 E. Warner Rd. (480-820-9944)

TO: Clerks of Session, Minister Members, Elder Commissioners and Other Presbyters
FROM: Richard E. Coffelt, Stated Clerk
DATE: January 6, 2006

The Presbytery of Grand Canyon is hereby called to meet for its Stated Meeting on Saturday, January 21, 2006 at Mission del Sol Presbyterian Church, Tempe. Registration is scheduled to begin at 7:45 AM on Saturday, with the meeting to begin promptly at 8:30 AM.

Highlights for this Stated Meeting as reflected on the Tentative Agenda are the following:

- The Service of Worship will be led by Outgoing Moderator, Elder Cecil Patterson. The Service will include the Necrology Report, Installation of David Hodgson as Moderator and Celebration of the Lord's Supper
- The Final Report of the Theological Task Force on Peace, Unity, and Purity of the Church to the 217th General Assembly (2006) will be presented by Task Force members Elder Barbara Everitt Bryant and our own Rev. Martha Sadongei. Elder Bryant is a research scientist at the University of Michigan Business School; was Director of the US Bureau of the Census and first woman director of the census in 200 years of census taking; she is a member of First Presbyterian Church, Ann Arbor and an affiliate member of Valley Presbyterian Church. Rev. Sadongei is the Pastor of Central Presbyterian Church, the only organized urban Indian congregation in the PCUSA and was ordained by our Presbytery after graduating from Austin and serving as an elementary school teacher prior to entering the ministry.

If you have not already done so you are encouraged to read in advance the Final Report of the Theological Task Force which is available on the PCUSA Website: <http://www.pcusa.org/peaceunitypurity/resources/fullfinalreport.pdf>

- Election of Moderator-Elect Nominee Elder Barbara Walker, First Presbyterian Church, Mesa
- Annual Report of the Council Chairperson Gale Watkins and Presbytery Executive Ken Moe
- Examination for enrollment as a Candidate of Inquirer William Good
- Reception of New Member David Van Arsdale, final approval of the proposed revision to the Continuing Membership and Validation of Ministry Policy and approval of the Roll of Ministers as of 12/31/05
- Elections to the 217th General Assembly (2006) of Two Elder and Two Minister Commissioners, a Youth Advisory Delegate and San Francisco Theological Student Advisory Delegate Nominee Linda Bailey
- Report of the Bills and Overtures Committee on a proposed Overture to the 217th General Assembly (see next item)
- Action on a Proposed Overture to the 217th General Assembly (2006) from the Session of Sierra Vista Presbyterian Church
- Report of Council/Trustees with proposed Bylaw Changes concerning the Planning and Evaluation Committee and proposed re-election of Stated Clerk Dick Coffelt to an additional term.
- Annual Meeting of the Corporation to Elect New Officers for 2006

We look forward to your participation in the Annual Stated Meeting and the opportunity it provides to re-connect with one another, to celebrate community and to joyfully offer ourselves to God and be equipped for God's service in the world through Worship.

Please Note:

Cost for lunch will be \$6.00 per person.

Housing Available: Host families are available for Friday evening if requested by January 16th: 480-820-9944

Childcare: Available by request: 480-820-9944.

Disability Accommodations: Church facilities are handicap accessible with an elevator to the second floor of the educational building where lunch will be served.

For an excused absence: you will need to send a letter to the Stated Clerk, or you may send an e-mail to the following address at the presbytery office: marciam@pbygc.org

Announcements: Announcements will be included in written form only in the packet of information distributed at the time of registration. Individuals who wish to lift up items for the attention of the presbytery as a whole are asked to **provide the announcement in a brief written form in advance of the meeting to Linda Bailey at click6@aol.com or by fax at 602-468-3824** in order that they may be included in a printed announcements insert in the packet distributed at the meeting. (**Announcements must be received by Tuesday, January 17th.**)