

TAMPA BAY E-NEWS

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PRESBYTERY OF TAMPA BAY + 4704 KELLY RD + TAMPA FL 33615

CHURCH ON THE BAYOU MISSION OPPORTUNITY

In cooperation with the Florida Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Network (FLAPDAN), the Church on the Bayou will be preparing Clean-Up Kits for distribution to Florida communities, if and when the need arises. Kits include items such as sponges, detergent, latex gloves, and other specific items all contained in 5-gallon buckets with resealable lids. A complete list for each bucket is available by calling the church at 727-937-3795 and may be found on the church's website: <http://churchonthebayou.org/>.

"We all know that it doesn't even take a hurricane to create a disaster in Florida," remarked new Interim Pastor Kathleen Dain. Dain shared an appeal from FLAPDAN to replenish supplies distributed during the recent

flooding in Florida's Panhandle. "Over 7,000 applications have been made to FEMA for damages related to torrential rains and high tides," she continued.

The congregation will be assembling buckets on Sunday, June 8, in the church's Fellowship Hall after 10:30AM worship. In-kind and cash donations to purchase items are currently being received through the church office. Checks should indicate "for disaster relief."

"We welcome everyone to help gather items and to fill these buckets. With the Hurricane Sales Tax holiday beginning on June 1, many things on the list will be tax free," observed Mission Chair, Susan Conrad.

The Church on the Bayou is located at 409 Whitcomb Boulevard in Tarpon Springs.



The Stated Clerk of the Presbytery has sent notice for a called special meeting of the Presbytery of Tampa Bay for Friday, June 6 at 1:00pm at the Presbytery Office in Tampa for the purpose of electing members to the Presbytery Coach and Coordinator Nominating Committee to fill current vacancies. Please contact statedclerk@pbty.com with your RSVP or to request an excused absence. Thank you.

BEGINNING IN JULY PART-TIME PRESBYTER

At its recent meeting, the Coordinating Team of the Presbytery hired a Part-Time Presbytery Leader to maintain some of the basic staff resource and administrative functions on behalf of the Presbytery. The Honorably Retired Reverend Charles Perrine

will serve as Part-Time Presbyter beginning on Wednesday, July 9, 2014. Charlie recently retired to our area from Pennsylvania, and has served in a variety of roles in the church, including Presbytery work. Please welcome him to service on Presbytery staff.

The Coordinating Team also received a document detailing roles and responsibilities during the next few months, so there is clarity regarding roles for "who does what" direction to the appropriate person. Office staff and Presbytery officers can help point in the right direction.

Special points of interest:

- The e-News will be published through the second week of June. Then, please stay tuned for daily updates from Detroit from your TBP Commissioners and YAAD to General Assembly from June 14 through June 20.
- As summer approaches with vacations scheduled, please note the current pulpit supply list of the Presbytery of Tampa Bay can be found at [http://www.presbyteryoftampabay.com/](http://www.presbyteryoftampabay.com/PulpitSupplyList.pdf) or [PulpitSupplyList.pdf](http://www.presbyteryoftampabay.com/PulpitSupplyList.pdf).
- The Presbytery Office is open from 8:30AM-2:30PM Monday through Friday.