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**PRESBYTERY
OF
TAMPA BAY**



Our Mission:
*To identify and strengthen leaders
so that every congregation makes
new and mature disciples for Jesus Christ.*

Featured Resource

One way that we can help each other do ministry better and develop each other as leaders is by sharing resources and little tips about what works with each other. In that spirit, I'd like to share a great website with you for doing Bible study.

You're probably thinking, "Oh, biblegateway.com!" [Bible Gateway](#) is soooo 2014. All the cool kids are using [biblehub.com](#) nowadays (ok, "cool" is debatable). I find this free website more useful than the \$700 BibleWorks program I bought after seminary, which is not something I can say for Bible Gateway (which is also a great site).

If you're interested in learning how to use this extremely powerful, *free* online exegesis tool, suitable for both lay and ordained study of the Bible, be sure to check out this video, or just head over to [the website](#):



Are there questions you'd like to see answered in the eNews? Is there a tip or resource you've been longing to share? Let me know!

Rev. Dave Baker,
Stated Clerk and Director of Communications
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[News from Around the Presbytery:](#)

New Grants Available for Redevelopment From CCV:
The Presbytery Commission on Church Vitality is excited to announce grants

available to Presbytery churches for the purpose of redevelopment. These grants are for any church that feel as if it is in a season of redevelopment, and wants a jump-start for doing new things. As part of the grant process, the session of the applying church works in partnership with a local coach to determine what is most needed for the church to recapture its vision. Please [download the application](#) for more details.

Installation of Rev. Ronald Pfeifer:

Please join the Presbytery as we welcome fellow servant in Christ, Ronald Pfeifer to ministry at [First Presbyterian Church Inverness](#) at 4pm this Sunday, August 9th. [Directions from Google](#).

Outreach Opportunity at Rio 2016 Olympic Games:

Many local churches in Rio see the Olympics as an opportunity for outreach to the half a million plus people who will be visiting their city in 2016. To this end, nine Presbyterian churches in Brazil would like to partner with PC(USA) churches to bring the Gospel to the Games over a week long outreach opportunity in August of 2016. If you think your church may be interested in sending people to Rio to partner with these churches, please find more [details in this document](#).

Presbyterian Mission Yearbook Going Online:

As you may already have heard, in an effort to make the Presbyterian Mission Yearbook more available to our churches, the Presbyterian Mission Agency is taking the Yearbook completely online starting in 2016. This will be a free online resource for anyone who wants it! Read more about this upcoming change in this [letter from the Presbyterian Mission Agency](#).

GA Commissioners Needed:

The Nominating and Representation Committee is accepting applications for delegates to represent the Presbytery of Tampa Bay at the 2016 General Assembly! The 222nd General Assembly will be in Portland, Oregon from June 18th to 25th, 2016. Applications, due September 15, 2015, may be [downloaded from the Presbytery website](#). Instructions for submitting a complete application are included on the application; delegate Nominees will be presented at the November meeting of the Presbytery.

Information about General Assembly activities may be found [at this link](#).



Go FISHing @ Cedarkirk!

Cedarkirk is offering a new retreat targeting leaders and volunteers in Christian Education and family ministry, Friday, Oct. 9 at 7:30 p.m. to Saturday Oct. 10 at 4:00 p.m. \$50 for Friday & Saturday; \$25 Saturday only. Register on the [Cedarkirk website](#) or call Karin: 813-685-4224

More info:

[Flyer](#)

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and Presbyterian Women Joint Event

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is investing time and funds in an all day Florida Disaster Preparedness Training Event scheduled for August 29th at Tims Memorial Presbyterian Church in Tampa ([read the flyer](#)). Their hope is to have at least 2 - 4 women from each presbytery attend and become Disaster Preparedness Trainers for Florida.

More info:

[Application](#)

[Reference form](#)

The New Book of Order is Out!

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