

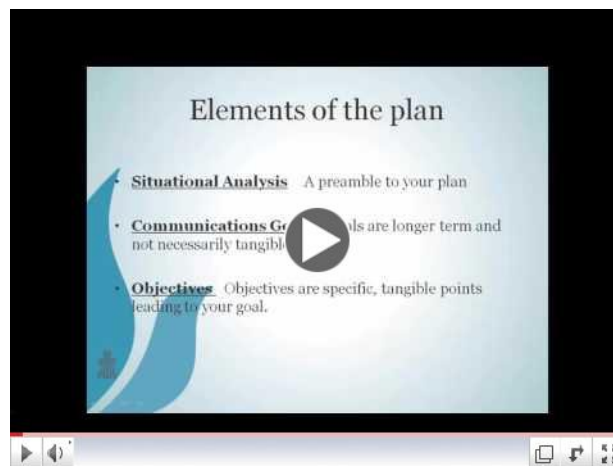


### ***Our Mission:***

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

## Communication Workshop Replay

A few weeks ago, almost 40 of you came out to the Communication Workshop presented by staff from the Presbyterian Mission Agency (PMA). If you were unable to attend, or just missed out for whatever reason, you can catch the replay here:



All associated documents are downloadable from the description below the video. If you're interested in getting the word out about your church's mission via social media, websites, or the local news, I highly recommend you check this out, and share this email with others in your church! The first part of the seminar is best done in a small group within your church. Fair warning, there's a lot of material!

As usual, please check out the other news and resources below, and if you have a joy, concern, resource or just something you want to share, please let me know!

In Christ,

Rev. Dave Baker,  
Stated Clerk and Director of Communications  
Presbytery of Tampa Bay



## News From Around the Presbytery

### Support an Inquirer at the Pig Jig

Will Wellman, an inquirer of our Presbytery serving at Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church as Pastoral Resident for Adult Education, has an amazing story I was asked to share with you. I'd also like to alert you to this chance to support a (possible) future Teaching Elder.

A few years ago, Will was diagnosed with a rare disease that destroyed his kidneys, necessitating approximately 25 hours a week of dialysis. Despite this challenge he managed to attend Princeton Theological Seminary and earn his Master of Divinity.

There's a fundraiser going on this weekend called [the Pig Jig](#) in downtown Tampa for those who suffer from Will's disease. Will tells his story in the video below:



Please come out and support one of our Inquirers if you're able! For more info, check out this [article from the Tampa Bay Times](#).

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## Upcoming Installation

You're invited to the installation of James Friesen, the new pastor at [Hyde Park Presbyterian Church](#)! The installation will be at Hyde Park at 4pm on Sunday, November 13th, with a reception to follow. Minister members from the Hillsborough Region are especially encouraged to attend. [Click here for directions](#).

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## Called Presbytery Meeting Summary

A big thank you to all who were able to attend our called Presbytery meeting on Monday October 17th!

For those who were unable to attend, or who were there but would like to have the results of our meeting in writing, please [download the summary of events](#).

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## Board of Pensions Annual Enrollment for Members



Annual enrollment, **now through November 11**, is the chance for Board Members to review and elect benefits for 2017.

If you're a member of the Board of Pensions, you should have received an email advising you that you need to log on to Benefits Connect to make elections or confirm coverage for 2017 - even your they are not making any changes. Don't miss the November 11 deadline to login to Benefits Connect and make decisions for 2017!

For more information about annual enrollment, [visit pensions.org](http://visit.pensions.org)

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## Fall Presbytery Reminder

**Our Stated meeting of the Presbytery is coming up in just 4 weeks**, on Thursday November 17th at FPC Lakeland! Please remember to elect commissioners to this Presbytery meeting if you haven't already. If you're not sure how many Ruling Elder

commissioners your church needs to elect, please [consult this document](#) (the total column is your total allowed ruling elder commissioners).

In addition to the reminder, I'd also like to ask for your help. We've started doing leadership development and breakout groups for the Presbytery meetings again, and this Presbytery meeting we'll have editor of the Presbyterian Outlook Jill Duffield as our guest speaker.

However, I'd like to ask you, members of the Presbytery, what is it you'd like to know more about? What are the topics you'd like to see covered in future meetings and breakouts? Is there a topic you yourself are an expert in and would like to share with others?

**Please let us know [by taking this short survey!](#)**

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### Transitional Ministers Support Group

All pastors who are in transitional ministry positions are invited to join the Transitional Ministers Support Group. The group meets monthly and enjoys fellowship as well as mentoring each other in the tasks of transitional ministry. Please contact the Rev. Ginny Simmons Ellis for more information at [ginny\\_ellis@yahoo.com](mailto:ginny_ellis@yahoo.com).

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### Benefit Concert

Thanks to a generous gift to our community Temple Terrace Presbyterian Church is able to present a benefit concert that will support Trinity Cafe.

Please share the information below and on our [website](#) with anyone who might be interested.

Temple Terrace Presbyterian Church presents

An evening with

Mac Frampton



Playing everything from Gershwin to Billy Joel to J. S. Bach

7:00 PM, Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Proceeds to support Trinity Café

Trinity Café, a Tampa non-profit, restores a sense of dignity to the homeless & hungry while serving a nutritious meal.

Advance tickets \$25 or \$30 at the door, if not sold out.  
Temple Terrace Presbyterian Church – Cash or Check Only  
EventBright.com – Credit Card



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## Association of Presbyterian Church Educators Scholarship Available

APCE would like your help giving away money and getting the word out about **three scholarships available** to pastors, educators, or volunteers to find their way to Denver and attend Association of Presbyterian Church Educators (APCE) Conference. "God is With Us in the Chaos" is happening on Jan 25-28, 2017. There are several options for scholarships.

1. The Martha May Holman Scholarship Fund was established in 2002 by the SOAP (South Atlantic & Puerto Rico) Region of the Association of Presbyterian Church Educators (APCE) to honor the life and ministry of Martha May Holman. ([see Attached application](#))

The scholarship fund was established to enable APCE members in the South Atlantic & Puerto Rico Region who have a continuing education

allowance of under \$500 to attend SOAP Regional events or APCE events in order to develop their leadership skills and enhance their ministry. This scholarship will be limited to one scholarship per person per year. The Executive Committee will select the worthy recipients with first time requests being given priority status. Selection of scholarship recipients is by the Executive Committee of the Regional Officers, which consists of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

How to apply?

1. Complete an [application form](#) via email and return it to: Debby Wendell at [deborahwendell@gmail.com](mailto:deborahwendell@gmail.com)

**No later than 5:00 p.m. on October 30, 2016.** Notification will be sent via email by Nov 15 in time for the APCE early bird deadline.

2. Regional Scholarship- Pays for early bird registration for the Denver Annual Event (cost of membership not included). No one from SC, FL, GA, or Puerto Rico has applied yet. It would be good to get more!

3. Val Murphy Scholarship- Reimbursable, up to \$1000 for registration, transportation and lodging Wednesday- Friday for the Annual Event. We don't have any Val Murphy applications yet either which is rare.

For your convenience, there is now a direct APCE [website link](#) for applications and note deadlines both are now extended to **November 1.**

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## Political Resources

To say that this has been an unusually controversial year in politics would be a bit of an understatement. While this has caused anxiety and not a few ulcers for many of us personally, at the church level it's a whole other level of difficulty. How do we address what's going on? What's legal to say and what isn't? How do we navigate these very choppy waters safely?

Fortunately, the PC(USA) has your back! Patrice and I wanted to alert you to this page of resources provided by the Presbyterian Mission Agency to help answer your questions and provide you with some legal guidance:

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/story/pcusa-issues-updated-guidelines-election-activities-religious-organizations/>

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**Important Info from the Commission on Ministry**

At its most recent meeting, the Commission on Ministry (COM) approved a motion to adopt a minimum effective salary of \$43,083. This means that churches who pay the minimum salary will need to take this change into account for any upcoming budgetary planning.

**Note:** Congregations that would have difficulty meeting the minimum can contact the Commission on Ministry to request a waiver.

Additionally, the COM is recommending that congregations provide at least a 1% increase to church staff salaries for 2017. This is a recommendation, not a requirement.

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## The 10th Triennial Gathering of Presbyterian Women in the Synod of South Atlantic

When: **October 21-23, 2016**

Where: [Epworth by the Sea](#)

For more details please see the flyer [here](#).

For Registration Packet please email [robin@ewfw.org](mailto:robin@ewfw.org)

## Opportunities for Young Adults

young adults  
ages 19-30

*application season begins...*

**October 1st!**

*15 national sites*  
*5 international sites*

***YoungAdultVolunteers.org/Apply***

 **YOUNGADULT  
VOLUNTEERS**



# Young Adult Volunteers Application

[Application](#) for the [Young Adult Volunteers](#) starts **October 1st!** Follow the YAV program on social media [@yavprogram](#).

For more details please visit [YoungAdultVolunteers.org](#) or click [here](#) to apply!

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**World Communion  
of Reformed Churches**

## 2017 General Council Stewards Program

The member communions of the World Communion of Reformed Churches (WCRC) will gather for its General Council in Leipzig Germany June 29 to July 7. The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is a member of the WCRC and as such we have been invited to participate in the General Council in various ways. Our own General Assembly has approved a slate of delegates to attend on our behalf to participate in the business of the General Council. However, there are other opportunities for Presbyterian young adults to participate.

The WCRC is seeking 35 from the global membership of the WCRC, including the PC(USA). Applications are now invited for the Stewards Program.

The work of the stewards is essential to the General Council. Without stewards making sure that rooms are set up, papers are distributed, mail is delivered, people are counted, etc., there would be no General Council at all! Therefore, being a steward means first of all a lot of hard work. Often this work is exhausting, intense and done under the pressure of time.

To learn more please visit [this link](#).

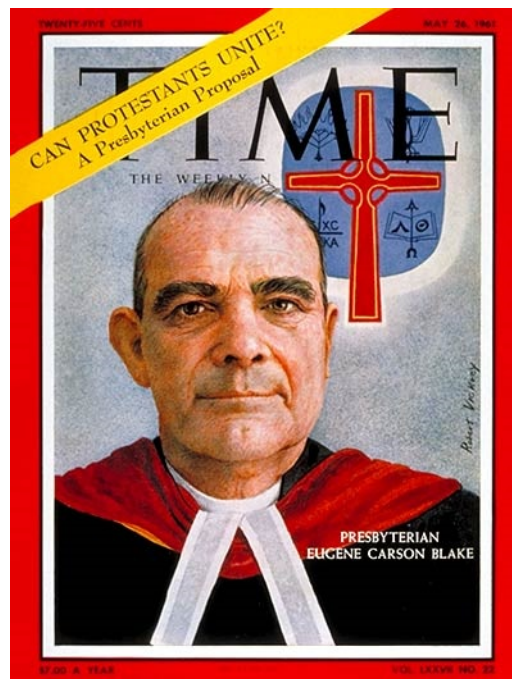
Contact Melissa Davis at the Office of Ecumenical Relations with questions and/or requests for PC(USA) endorsement:  
[Melissa.davis@pcusa.org](mailto:Melissa.davis@pcusa.org) or 502-569-5037.

**Another way to Participate:**



**Global Institute of Theology (GIT):** The next GIT will be held in Wuppertal and Leipzig, Germany, from June 9 to July 7, 2017, living together and learning as a global community in the context of the 2017 General Council of the World Communion of Reformed Churches.

The 2017 GIT will offer a unique opportunity for a community of students from around the world to live together, learn and do theology in a fully inter-contextual and ecumenical way, connecting theology from the local to the regional and world levels. To learn more visit: <http://wcrch.org>



## Eugene Carson Blake Scholarship

The Eugene Carson Blake Fellowship program annually selects an outstanding individual who shows promise for church leadership to attend the Ecumenical Institute at Bossey, Switzerland.

Students will receive a holistic education - which combines academic research, cross-cultural learning through life in community, spiritual experience, exposure to and encounter with other faith communities. This formation prepares students to face the challenges of living in an increasingly pluralistic society, in a world of economic and cultural globalization, climate change, neglect of human rights and attempts to justify growing violence in the name of religion.

Each year the Institute welcomes a group of no more than 40 students from around the world and from many different Christian traditions. Consider applying for the September 2017 to January 2018 academic year.

Presbyterians can seek their denomination's nomination for the Scholarship by following the instructions set forth in the nomination procedure.

For more information please download [this flyer](#).

Applications are due to the office of Ecumenical Relations by **November 30**.

## Mission Interest

### Support "End 68 Hours of Hunger"

**End 68 Hours of Hunger** is an all-volunteer tax-exempt organization that provides food for food insecure families for the roughly 36 hours from their last school lunch on Friday to their breakfast on Monday morning. The Tampa chapter started in the spring of 2014 with Grady Elementary in Tampa and has grown to more than 90 children in 7 schools. All the money that is donated goes to buy food for these children; 3 dinners, 2 lunches, and 2 breakfasts each weekend.

The group's main fundraiser will be held on Saturday, November 5 from 5 to 8 pm, a Food Truck Rally and Silent Auction at [Hyde Park Presbyterian church](#), which is also the food storage and packing area. We hope you can attend this fun event. Further information is available at [end68hoursofhunger.org](#).

For more info about End 68 Hours of Hunger, see their [info sheet](#). For more information about the Food Truck Rally, see this [flyer](#).



**PRESBYTERIAN  
DISASTER ASSISTANCE**

OUT OF CHAOS, **HOPE**

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance provides help for those impacted by the storm.



Hector Retamal/AFP/Getty Images

*A girl walks on a street damaged in Hurricane Matthew, in Jeremie, in western Haiti, on October 7. The full scale of the devastation in the hurricane-hit country became clear as the death toll surged over 400 three days after Hurricane Matthew leveled huge swaths of the country's south.*

Hurricane Matthew has caused death and destruction across the Caribbean and southeastern United States, including more than 800 dead, thousands injured, and the destruction of communities and crops, especially in Haiti. Many impacted areas were still recovering from previous flooding and other disasters. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is supporting the delivery of emergency aid to those impacted, working with our partners in the ACT Alliance (Action by Churches Together) and local staff who had been monitoring the completion of prior earthquake and hurricane projects.

In Haiti, PDA is leveraging long-standing church partnerships to assess damage and to develop long-term disaster recovery and rebuilding strategies. Ecumenical partner ACT Alliance has already issued an appeal for over \$1 million to assist relief efforts in Cuba, and is working with partners throughout the Caribbean to evaluate needs in Jamaica, the Bahamas, and beyond. After immediate needs are addressed, PDA will remain, drawing upon its strong relationships and effective prior development efforts in the region.

Throughout the southeastern United States, PDA has reached out to pastors and presbytery leaders in areas impacted by the storm. Extensive flooding and storm surges throughout the region have damaged many homes and churches. National Response Team members are mobilizing to visit affected presbyteries and to support local development of disaster response and recovery plans. In the coming weeks, PDA will begin deploying teams into as many as seven presbyteries and providing assistance to congregations mucking out as the waters recede.

**The needs for the response are great. God's people are once again called on to stand in the "GAP"-Give. Act. Pray.**

### **GIVE**

Financial support for relief efforts can be designated to DR000148 with reference to Matthew. Gifts can be made [online](#), by phone at (800) 872-3283, or by check, which can be mailed to:

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
P.O. Box 643700  
Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

### **ACT**

Learn how you and your congregation can help families who have lost everything in the devastation. Stay informed and [like us](#) on Facebook, [download resources](#), and share updates with your congregation.

### **PRAY**

Pray for those who suffered loss of family or home or for those who are working tirelessly to provide rescue, humanitarian aid, and spiritual and psychological support.



### **40th Anniversary**

You can check the "40th Anniversary" flyer [here](#).

Also, in case you missed it, their [October Newsletter](#).

## **Upcoming Workshops**

### **Don't Miss Jurgen Moltmann!**

Jurgen Moltmann, Professor Emeritus of Systematic Theology at the University of Tübingen, will be speaking at Florida Southern College in Lakeland on Monday evening, October 24 at 7pm at the [Annie Pfeifer Chapel](#). More details will be added as they become available.

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## 1001 New Worshiping Communities announces webinar schedule



Following is a partial schedule of upcoming free webinars offered by 1001 New Worshiping Communities, along with registration links for each presentation. All webinars begin at 2 p.m. Eastern Time.

- **Thursday, September 15**  
[Hispanic Ministry](#)-Pablo Rivera Madera, pastor and U.S. Army chaplain.  
Join a PC(USA) pastor in an ongoing conversation on developing and sustaining a vital Hispanic ministry. Offer your suggestions for Hispanic ministry.
- **Thursday, September 29**  
[Grants](#)-Vera White and Tim McCallister, Presbyterian Mission Agency  
Learn about the 1001 New Worshiping Communities grant process.
- **Wednesday, October 19**  
[Rural Ministry](#)-Edwin Lacy, pastor, Wild Goose Christian Community.  
Learn from the experience of a pastor who felt God's call to develop a new worshiping community in rural Appalachia. Consider what you can do in your community.  
[Watch the Wild Goose video.](#)
- **Wednesday, November 2**  
[Evangelism in Your Community](#)-Christopher James, assistant professor of Evangelism and Missional Christianity, University of Debuque.  
Christopher is the author of several articles on missional practice and church planting including "Practices for a Missional Church Planting Order" (Journal of Missional Practice, 2013) and "Some Fell



on Good Soil: Church Planting in Religious Ecologies" (Witness, 2013).

- **Wednesday, December 7**

[Nones and Dones](#) -Renee Roederer, ordained PC(USA) minister, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Be inspired by a minister working alongside others to create new worshiping communities in the Presbytery of Detroit, communities that include those who are religiously unaffiliated (the Nones) and those who seek new, emerging visions for their faith expression (the Dones).

The first 25 registrants for each webinar can choose to participate via a computer webcam or by voice. And, up to 100 registrants can listen and learn without being active participants. Registrants will receive a reminder email prior to the webinar, which will include a link and directions.

If you have questions or suggestions for future webinar topics or presenters, contact Sean Chow at [sean.chow@pcusa.org](mailto:sean.chow@pcusa.org).

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## Silent Retreat



**You are invited to experience three days of silence  
They may be the best three days of your year**

Three days of guided silence  
Beautiful grounds to enjoy  
Daily Worship with Communion  
Meals and lodging included  
Spiritual directors available  
**\$100 per person**

**When: October 23-25, 2016**

**Where: Cedarkirk Camp and Conference Center**

Registration starts on **October 16**.

For registration, you can call Cedarkirk on this number (813) 685-4224 or visit their [website](#).

For more details please see the flyer [here](#).

## For Sale:

### 2002 F450 Church Bus FPC

A very clean bus is available for immediate sale by the First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin. It is a 2002 Ford E450 diesel, 65,000 miles, CDL-required bus, fair condition, \$9,950.00 or OBO. Contact Donna Dayock at 727-733-2318 for details and make your best offer!



## Job Opportunities

### Part Time Nursery Assistant at St. Andrew, New Tampa

Responsible for providing nursery care for children under three years old, ensuring their safety, health, cleanliness and well-being. Regular hours are Sunday 9am-12pm. Addition church events as needed. Located in Tampa Palms close to I75. Minimum of two years professional childcare experience, part-time or full-time, or be a parent. Current CPR certification or be willing to



receive certification. Pay rate is \$50.00 for Sunday (9-12) and \$16.50 per hour for additional events. Call 813-513-8822 for additional information.

Email resume to: [office@standrewnewtampa.org](mailto:office@standrewnewtampa.org).

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## Korean Presbyterian Church of Tampa Job Opening:

### **Full-time or Part-Time EM Pastor**

KPCT is currently seeking an EM Pastor to shepherd the Young Adult and Youth Group of high school and middle school students. The church is located at 6510 Yosemite Dr., Tampa, FL 33634.

For more information please contact Ki Choi at [kih.choi3@gmail.com](mailto:kih.choi3@gmail.com) or read the [position description](#).

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