

ADJOURNED MEETING OF NEW RIVER PRESBYTERY

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

April 30, 1977 10:00 AM

Moderator Dr. R. H. Miller called meeting to order.

Roll Call

The following were present:

Teaching Elders

George B. Alder, II
Michael Bolus
William A. Fitzhenry
William E. Hill, Jr.
Linwood G. Wilkes

Ruling Elders

Charles F. Dent, Kanawha Salines
Lindsey Fields, Little River
James N. Gay, South Ruffner
Thomas F. Minter, Jr., Lebanon
Alan R. Sibert, Westminster

The Stated Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

A request was received from Tom Owens, serving as supply at Pliny Presbyterian Church, to be excused from this meeting.

Absent: Rev. David L. Williams
Rev. John R. Dodd

Churches not represented:

Covenant, Faith, Rebecca Littlepage, Pliny

Moderator called for a season of prayer.

The following visitors were present:

E. Lee Trinkle, III, Gulf Coast Presbytery (to be received)
Curtis Carroll, Westminster
John Moy, Grace Church, Roanoke, Virginia
Rev. Jack Arnold, Grace Church, Roanoke, Virginia

Adoption of Docket

It was moved and seconded that the docket be approved as presented, motion carried.

Examination and reception of Rev. E. Lee Trinkle, III from the Gulf Coast Presbytery, Penscola, Florida. Rev. William E. Hill, Jr., Chairman of the Committee on Examination of Ministers and Candidates made a motion that the examination be conducted in an informal manner--motion received a second and carried.

1. Experimental Religion -- approved
2. Theology -- approved
3. Sacrements -- approved
4. Church Government -- approved

A motion was made that the examination be approved as a whole, and E. Lee Trinkle, III be commissioned as an evangelist. Motion received a second and carried.

Rev. Trinkle's official date of reception in New River Presbytery will be upon receipt of his dismissal from Gulf Coast Presbytery. He signed the Ex-Amino statement of faith, was given the right hand of fellowship, and was entered on rolls of Presbytery as an evangelist.

Moderator appointed the following to serve on the Committss on Mission to the United States: Rev. John Dodd, Chairman, Rev. William E. Hill, Jr.

Stewardship Committee -- report on updating manual on aid to ministers and candidates. Committee members: Michael Bolus and James Harrell

The Committee on Scholarship Fund recommends that for the present time no changes be made in the wording on function of the fund, except that a \$300.00 limit be placed in any academic year to any one individual recipient. A motion was made to receive this report as presented, which motion received a second and carried.

Rev. William Fitzhenry reports that the campus ministry to Morris Harvey College has been overlooked in the budget for the coming year. He made a motion that we set \$300.00 aside from the miscellaneous fund (\$800.00) to cover the expenditures of this ministry. The motion was seconded by Rev. Bolus and carried.

Committee on Christian Education -- Camp progress report -- Rev. Linwood Wilkes reports that his staff is complete and the camp will be ready to receive campers on June 27. Pre-registration date was extended to May 1.

Review and Control of Presbyteries ---

Moderator R. H. Miller appointed Rev. Linwood Wilkes and Thomas F. Minter, Jr. to review the minutes of New River Presbytery where exceptions were noted by the General Assembly. The report is as follows:

" Dr. Morton H. Smith, Stated Clerk
Presbyterian Church in America

Dear Sir:

In response to the General Assembly review of our Presbytery minutes for September 11, 1975, November 14 & 15, 1975, March 19 & 20, 1976, New River Presbytery has taken action to concur with the exceptions noted. This Presbytery has also taken action to correct, where possible, these exceptions."

A motion to approve the minutes of Ninth Stated Meeting on March 18-19, 1977 was seconded and carried.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn at 11:45 a.m. Closing prayer by Rev. Bolus. Lunch was served at the church after adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

James N. Gay, Stated Clerk
NEW RIVER PRESBYTERY

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