



PEACE RIVER PRESBYTERY



Weekly Presbytery Letter ~ February 27, 2018

From the Board of Trustees/Finance Team:

The Board of Trustees/Finance Team would like to thank all those churches that have contacted us well in advance of buying/selling property or borrowing money.

Our Board meets monthly and frequently deals with requests from member churches involved in planning to buy/sell real estate or obtaining a loan. The Board of Trustees is called on to guaranty loans that the churches obtain, so it is appreciated when advance notice is received when these situations arise.

Typically, the Board will receive information from a church about a planned project, purchase or sale of property. The Board invites representatives from the church to attend our monthly meeting to discuss the details and to obtain approval from the Trustees to proceed with listing the property or applying for a loan.

The loan documents typically require signatures of the President of the Presbytery Corporation and the Secretary of the Corporation also is required to sign a Certificate of Incumbency which lets the lender know the person signing is authorized as an officer to do so.

Since timing can be critical in real estate deals, the more notice and lead time the Trustees can have the better. Occasionally the Trustees will meet by telephone conference in between meetings if necessary to get the approvals that are needed. Then the documents are circulated for the necessary signatures and notarizations.

Some real estate transactions need to go to Presbytery for approval. Some transactions can be handled by the Trustees acting as a Commission of Presbytery. The sales offer for property in Lakewood Ranch, which is owned by the Presbytery, had to be voted on by the Presbytery last November. On one occasion last year we had to call a special meeting of Presbytery in August to handle a property transaction that could not wait for the next regular Presbytery meeting.

The Trustees are always available to discuss potential projects involving real estate and loans, so please do not hesitate to contact us when your church begins to think about a real estate project or a loan.

Fred Chamberlain
Co-Moderator Finance Team
President Board of Trustees

Claudia George
Co-Moderator Finance Team
Vice-President Board of Trustees

ANNOUNCEMENT

Linda and I are thrilled and so thankful that our daughter, Katie, and her husband, Matt, had a baby girl, Eleanor Hartley McCausey, born Saturday night, February 24th. Katie had a long labor, but in the end all are well. She is a beautiful baby, 19.5 inches and 7 lbs. 3 oz. More to follow and maybe a picture or two next week.

Also, our son Nathan, had his quarterly check-up and blood work done this week, and he continues to do well, for which we all are so grateful!

For all your prayers and continued support -- thank you!

Graham

Graham Hart
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MISION PENIEL

A Ministry of Peace River Presbytery to the Farmworkers in Immokalee

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- Facility Address: 208 Boston Ave., Immokalee, FL 34142 (not for mailing)
- Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1204, Immokalee, FL 34153
- Mailing Address for Contributions*: Peace River Presbytery, 5600 Peace River Road, North Port, FL 34287

***Contributions to Mision Peniel:**

- Mail to: Peace River Presbytery, 5600 Peace River Road, North Port, FL 34287
- Checks can be made payable to Peace River Presbytery or to Mision Peniel.
- Please note *Mision Peniel* in the memo section.
- Contributor information is provided to Mision Peniel each month.

BETH-EL FARMWORKER MINISTRY, INC.

A Ministry to the Farmworkers in Wimauma

www.beth-el.org



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Web: www.beth-el.org

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Beth-El is looking for donations of furniture for its office and dental clinic.

Please contact their office if you have desks, tables, or bookcases.

CEDARKIRK CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER

A place apart to build up the body of Christ in love.

www.cedarkirk.org

*Thank you for supporting Cedarkirk and holding this ministry in your prayers for the last 45 years.
We look forward to witnessing God's handiwork here in the years to come!*

For additional information, please contact the camp office at (813) 685-4224 or visit www.cedarkirk.org.

PRAYER NEEDS

Please continue to pray for:

- The Community of Parkland, FL
- Rev. Susan Rice – health and treatment for cancer
- Jim and Becky Beckwith, and their son, Greg – health
- Rev. Dr. Lou Thompson – health
- Robert Dennis (son of Rev. India Dennis) – mental health issues
- The communities, across the U.S. and Puerto Rico, still recovering from the hurricanes and fires
- Beth-El Farmworker Ministry (in Wimauma)
- Misión Peniel Farmworker Ministry (in Immokalee)
- Cedarkirk Camp and Conference Center
- Dan and Elizabeth Turk, PCUSA Mission Co-Workers in Madagascar
- Les and Cindy Morgan, PCUSA Mission Co-Workers in Bangladesh

PRESBYTERY PRAYER GUIDE: MARCH 2018:

March 4	<u>Palma Sola Presbyterian Church, Bradenton</u> Pastor: Rev. India Dennis Email: pspcpastor@verizon.net
March 11	<u>Cedarkirk Camp & Conference Center</u> Executive Director: Rev. John Reiter Email: john@cedarkirk.org
March 18	<u>Westminster Presbyterian Church, Bradenton</u> Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. John Wintringham Email: friartuk@wcc.net

March 25

Faith Presbyterian Church, Cape Coral
Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. H Timothy Halverson
Email: tim@fpcf.org
Associate Pastor: Rev. Elizabeth Kuehl
Email: elizabeth@fpcf.org

KENNETH BAILEY RESOURCES

Rev. Dr. Margaret Towner has a set of Kenneth Bailey's study lectures on "Jesus and Women" and "Presbyterian History", produced by Harvest Publishing, that she would like to give to a church or group who would use them. They are short, 20-30 minute lectures by Bailey, with time for discussion. If interested, please contact Dr. Margaret E. Towner, margtet@comcast.net or 941-924-4413.

CHURCH SUPPORT STAFF OPENINGS

First Presbyterian Church, Port Charlotte:

[Church Secretary](#)
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Burnt Store Presbyterian Church, Punta Gorda:

[Organist/Primary Accompanist](#)  
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Faith Presbyterian Church, Cape Coral:

[Graphic Designer and Marketing Coordinator](#)

PRESBYTERY CALENDAR: MARCH 2018

You may view the entire calendar on the Presbytery web site: www.peaceriverpresbytery.org

All meetings are at the Presbytery Center location in North Port, unless otherwise posted.

Thursday, March 1

Mision Peniel Team (10:00 a.m. in Immokalee)
Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team (10:00 a.m.)

Monday, March 5

Nominations and Representation Committee (10:00 a.m.)
Planning Team (1:30 p.m.)

Thursday, March 8

Finance Team / Board of Trustees (9:30 a.m.)

Tuesday, March 13

Committee on Ministry (9:00 a.m.)

Wednesday, March 14

Committee on Preparation for Ministry (10:00 a.m.)

Thursday, March 15

Steering Committee (9:30 a.m.)

Thursday, March 22

Congregational Vitality Team (12:30 p.m.)

Thursday, March 29

Maundy Thursday

Friday, March 30

Good Friday – Presbytery Offices Closed

CHURCHES of PEACE RIVER PRESBYTERY

Please visit our web site, www.peaceriverpresbytery.org/churches

Click on the city, then the church, to visit their web site.

