

## PROPOSED AGENDA

### **Synod Assembly – April 14, 2018** Synod of Southern California and Hawaii Monte Vista Grove Homes

- 8:45 a.m. Registration Opens
- 9:00 a.m. Antiracism Workshop led by Rev. Eric Law
- 12 a.m-  
1 p.m Lunch
- 1.00 p.m. Welcome and Convene with devotion Susan Skoglund  
Fried Wilson
- Getting acquainted – Who is in the room?
- Report of the Stated Clerk Mark Hong  
Declaration of Quorum  
Adoption of Agenda  
Consent Agenda
- Treasurer's Report Bill Hughes  
2017 year-end Financial Statements
- Report from Mathew25 Movement Vanessa Martinez  
Soltero
- Report on Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Suzanne Malloy
- Report from JPIC Work Group Sunny Kang
- Report from REPL Narcissis Tucker
- Report from Synod Commission of Assembly
- Report of Synod Executive Mark Hong
- 3:00 p.m. Adjournment

**SYNOD COMMISSION OF ASSEMBLY**

**Report to Synod Assembly April 14, 2018  
Monte Vista Grove Homes, Pasadena, California**

The Synod Commission of Assembly has met twice since the last meeting of the Synod Assembly on December 2, 2017. Minutes of the meetings of December 2 and February 17 have been made available to commissioners on the synod website and include the actions taken by the Commission. A summary of significant actions includes the following items that are reported for information.

**Trustees**

Voted to elect the officers of the corporation as follows: 02/17/2018

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|---|------------------------|
| President and Commission<br>of Assembly Chair | RE Janice Takeda (SG)  |
| Stated Clerk and Corporate Secretary          | TE Mark Hong (LR)      |
| Treasurer                                     | RE Bill Hughes (SB)    |
| Moderator                                     | RE Susan Skoglund (RS) |
| Vice-Moderator                                | TE Joshua Yee (PA)     |

**Financial Oversight**

Reviewed a draft of the financial statements for the period ending December 31, 2017. 02/17/2018

**Congregational Partnering Grants**

Approved the request from Presbytery of the Pacific for a matching grant of \$25,000 for the second year of the Bridge at Union Church project. 02/17/2018

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**Mission Grants to the Southern California Chapter of the National Caucus of Korean Presbyterian Churches (NCKPC)**

Approved two grants from the funds remaining from the sale of the property of the now-dissolved Antelope Valley and Thousand Oaks Korean churches properties that were members of the former Hanmi Presbytery. 02/17/2018

1. A grant of \$8,000 to be used in three areas: a continuing education week for Korean pastors focusing on church polity, conflict management, and theological and practical aspects of ministry; training for Korean pastors working in English language ministry; and a summer youth rally for young Koreans to strengthen and deepen their faith.
2. A grant of \$15,000 to be used to cover the costs of a dinner at the 2018 NCKPC annual assembly in San Diego. The Reverend David Won, a member of Presbytery of the Pacific, will be installed as Moderator of the NCKPC at this meeting.

**Disaster Relief Grant**

Approved a grant of \$10,000 to Santa Barbara Presbytery for its disaster relief efforts with funding to come from the Elias Family Funds or as needed from unrestricted reserves. 02/17/2018

**Grant to Ciclica LA**

Approved a grant of \$70,000 per year for up to three years to Ciclica LA to support their work in planting and developing Spanish language congregations in the presbyteries of the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii. 12/02/2017

SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HAWAII  
**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMISSION OF ASSEMBLY**  
 First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino, California  
**Saturday, December 2, 2017**

CONVENE The special meeting to review a grant proposal from Ciclica Southern California had been scheduled by the Commission of Assembly at its meeting of November 21, 2017 and was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by Commission of Assembly Chair Maurice Caskey.

ROLL Those present, absent (A), excused (E) are indicated below:

LR-Los Ranchos, PA-Pacific, RS-Riverside, SB-Santa Barbara, SD-San Diego, SF-San Fernando, SG-San Gabriel; TE- Teaching Elder, RE-Ruling Elder; SMOD-Synod Moderator, SVMOD-Synod Vice Moderator, CoAC-CoA Chair/President, SC/SE-Stated Clerk/Synod Executive

- | <u>Synod Officers</u>           | <u>Presbytery Executives/Designees</u> |
|---------------------------------|--|
| RE Maurice Caskey – CoAC - SD   | E RE Mickey Stueck – SB *              |
| RE Janice Takeda - SMOD - SG    | TE Ken Baker - SF                      |
| RE Susan Skoglund – SVMOD - RS  | TE Michael Mudgett - SD                |
| TE Mark Hong – SC/SE - LR       | TE Linda Culbertson - PA               |
| RE Bill Hughes – Treasurer - SB | TE Timm High - RS                      |
|                                 | TE Wendy Tajima - SG                   |
|                                 | E TE Forrest Claassen - LR             |
| RE Sue Currie - LR              |  |
| TE Sam Roberts - RS             | <u>Ecclesiastical Chairs</u>           |
| E RE Jim Shepard - RS           | E RE Robert Parker - LR                |
| TE Michael Wallman - SD         | RE Sharon Wakamoto - LR                |
|                                 | E TE Sylvia Karcher - RS               |
| <u>Diversity Members</u>        | <u>Also Present</u>                    |
| E RE Elizabeth Hicks - PA       | RE Fried Wilson – Synod Staff          |
| RE Hagar Benitez - LR           | E Mr. Barry Peters – Synod Staff       |
| TE David Won - PA               | Mr. Jim Stueck – SB                    |

\*Designee

Opening Prayer TE Michael Mudgett opened the meeting with prayer.

Quorum The Stated Clerk reported that a quorum was present, and the Chair declared that a quorum was present, a quorum being defined as 11 of the 21 members of the commission with at least 4 TE present, 4 RE present and 5 presbyteries represented.

Ciclica SC At its November meeting the commission formed a task force to review a funding proposal from Ciclica SC. The task force was to work with the Ciclica leaders as they prepared a revised, more detailed proposal. Ciclica SC has completed the revised proposal.

Task Force Chair TE Jim Stueck presented the work of the task force and reviewed the proposal that had been prepared by the Ciclica SC

staff and volunteers. The request from Ciclica was for a grant of \$70,000 a year for three years with a progress review at the end of each year.

Jim Stueck answered questions about the work of the task force. Nick Warnes of Cyclical LA as well as Jaime Lazaro, Rodrigo de la Sotta Martim Garcia, and Jaime Lazaro from Ciclica SC were present and answered questions about the proposal and the work of Ciclica SC. The guests from Ciclica SC were then excused.

A final motion was crafted and then seconded as follows.

**To fund Ciclica SC with a grant of \$70,000 per years for up to three years with an annual review following the benchmarks listed in their proposal.**

- **As part of this effort, Ciclica SC will develop an Advisory Board to help Ciclica SC develop the right process to provide service to all presbyteries. This Advisory Board needs to be in place by February of 2018.**
- **By March 2018, Ciclica SC with the help of the Advisory Board will outline a process to work with each presbytery of the Synod.**
- **Ciclica SC will train at least 20 potential church planters in 2018. The new group will start on January of 2018.**
- **Ciclica SC will start the process of planting two new congregations by December of 2018 , and it will be expected that every year of this three year process, Ciclica SC will plant two new congregations each year, this is a total of six new Latino congregations.**
- **By June 2018, Ciclica SC will develop a fundraising plan to make this effort sustainable after the three year funding from the Synod finishes.**

**The Moderator will name a group that will coordinate this review.**

It was VOTED to APPROVE this motion by a vote of 11 yes, 0 no and 3 abstentions.

The funds will be taken from the portion of the Church Development Fund not allocated to the Congregational Partnering Grants Program.

TE Ken Baker will communicate the Commission's action to Ciclica SC.

The next meeting of the Commission of Assembly will be February 17, 2018 at the Synod office.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by TE Timm High at 3:25 p.m.

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Mark Hong, Stated Clerk

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Fried R. Wilson, Journal Clerk

SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HAWAII  
**COMMISSION OF ASSEMBLY**  
 14225 Roscoe Boulevard, Panorama City, California 91402  
**Saturday, February 17, 2018**

CONVENE The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Commission of Assembly Chair Janice Takeda.

ROLL Those present, absent (A), excused (E) and those attending via the internet or telephone (T) are indicated below:

LR-Los Ranchos, PA-Pacific, RS-Riverside, SB-Santa Barbara, SD-San Diego, SF-San Fernando, SG-San Gabriel; TE- Teaching Elder, RE-Ruling Elder; SMOD-Synod Moderator, SVMOD-Synod Vice Moderator, CoAC-CoA Chair/President, SC/SE-Stated Clerk/Synod Executive

Synod Officers

RE Janice Takeda – CoAC - SG  
 RE Susan Skoglund - SMOD - RS  
 T TE Joshua Yee – SVMOD - PA  
 TE Mark Hong – SC/SE - LR  
 T RE Bill Hughes – Treasurer – SB

Elected Assembly Members

RE Sue Currie – LR  
 T TE Sam Roberts – RS  
 RE Jim Shepard – RS  
 T TE Michael Wallman – SD

Diversity Members

E RE Elizabeth Hicks – PA  
 RE Hagar Benitez – LR  
 TE David Won – PA

Presbytery Executives/Designees

T RE Mickey Stueck – SB \*  
 E TE Ken Baker - SF  
 Y TE Michael Mudgett - SD  
 T TE Linda Culbertson – PA  
 TE Timm High – RS  
 E TE Wendy Tajima – SG  
 TE Forrest Claassen – LR

Ecclesiastical Chairs

E RE Robert Parker – LR  
 T RE Sharon Wakamoto – LR  
 E TE Sylvia Karcher – RS

Also Present

RE Fried Wilson – Synod Staff  
 Mr. Barry Peters – Synod Staff  
 RE Jim Stueck – SB  
 TE Paul Chun – SF

\*Designee

Opening Prayer RE Janice Takeda opened the meeting with prayer and a devotional reading.

REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK Stated Clerk Mark Hong presented a written report.

Quorum The Stated Clerk reported that a quorum was present, and the Chair declared that a quorum was present, a quorum being defined as 11 of the 21 members of the commission with at least 4 TE present, 4 RE present and 5 presbyteries represented.

Agenda It was VOTED to approve the agenda with the addition of two grant proposals submitted by the Korean Presbyterian Conference of the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii.

Approval of Minutes      It was VOTED that the minutes of the Commission of Assembly meetings of September 30, November 21, and December 2, 2017, be approved as written.

Seating of  
Corresponding  
Members and  
Visitors                      It was VOTED to seat RE Jim Stueck and TE Paul Chung with voice.

Election of Corporate  
Officers                      It was VOTED to adjourn the meeting of the Commission of Assembly and convene a meeting of the Corporation and to elect the following officers for 2018.

President and Commission of                      RE Janice Takeda  
Assembly Chair

Stated Clerk and Corporate                      TE Mark Hong  
Secretary

Treasurer    RE Bill Hughes

Moderator    RE Susan Skoglund

Vice-Moderator                                      TE Joshua Yee

It was VOTED to adjourn the meeting of the Corporation and reconvene as the Commission of Assembly.

For Information                      **Report from the Synod Permanent Judicial Commission**

The Synod PJC elected the following officers:

**Moderator:**    TE R. Winston Presnall (LR)

**Vice Moderator:**    TE Shelby Larsen (PA)

**Clerk:** RE Pat Niles (LR)

**Clerk pro tem:** RE Linda Therien (SD)

**Spitzer v. Riverside Presbytery (2017-R-2 Idyllwild)**, was heard on December 29, 2017 at Korean Good Shepherd, Rowland Heights. The SPJC sustained the Complainants arguments. Last day for RS to appeal is March 6, 2018

**Pacific Palisades v. Presbytery of the Pacific (2017-R-1)**  
The Parties requested another continuance and the SPJC granted their request. Another round of settlement talk is scheduled for April 5, 2018

**Spitzer v. Riverside Presbytery (2017-R-3 Big Bear)**, a Pretrial Hearing is scheduled for March 1, via Zoom with selected members of SPJC.

**Synod Minute Review**

The Stated Clerk will be in Dallas, March 5-7 for the Synod Minutes



Review. The results will be reported to and acted upon at the General Assembly in St. Louis.

**New members on Zephyr Point and PCCCI Board**

**Zephyr Point:** RE Linda Therien (SD)

**PCCCI:** TE Paul Knopf (RS), TE Erin Thomas (RS), RE Shelly Randle (RS)

There is ongoing litigation involving Rancho La Scherpa. At this time the Synod and its insurance company have not been named as defendant.

**PJC Training**

The Synod sponsored a PJC Training session on January 27, led by Laurie Griffith (Associate Director of Constitutional Service) from OGA and Flor Velez-Diaz (New Manager of Judicial Process and Social Witness) also accompanied Laurie. Over 30 people were in attendance.

**Dates for 2018 Meetings**

Synod Assembly: April 14 at Monte Vista Grove Homes in Pasadena  
And November 3 at a place to be determined

Commission of Assembly: June 30 and October 13 (revised date)

TREASURER'S  
REPORT

Treasurer RE Bill Hughes and Barry Peters presented a draft of the financial reports for the twelve months ending December 31, 2017. These reports are included in Attachment 1.

They noted that per capita payments for 2017 were about \$16,000 below the budgeted amount, but that some additional 2017 payments had come in before the statement was run. Given this and that actual expenses were greater than the budgeted amounts in several accounts, the use of the Wilshire Reserves was \$45,000 greater than budgeted.

Congregational  
Partnering Grants

TE Linda Culbertson reported that the Work Group had received two new grant proposals from Los Ranchos Presbytery (Korean Hope Presbyterian Church and Korean Independent Presbyterian Church) and a first year project evaluation for the three-year grant awarded to Union Church and Presbytery of the Pacific for The Bridge and Union Church. The three proposals are included as Attachment 2.

*The Bridge at Union  
Church*

**Recommendation #1**

To approve the request from Presbytery of the Pacific for a matching grant of \$25,000 for the second year of the Bridge at Union Church.

The Commission VOTED to APPROVE this grant of \$25,000.

*Korean Hope  
Presbyterian Church*

**Recommendation #2**

To approve the request from Los Ranchos Presbytery and the Korean

Hope Presbyterian for a one-time matching grant of \$28,000 to cover:

1. Repairs to the roof, HVAC system, fixtures and ceiling that have been damaged over the years by water intrusion: and
2. Start-up costs for afterschool programs for disabled children in partnership with Milal Mission, a Korean-American Organization that serves disabled and handicapped people.

The Commission VOTED to APPROVE this grant of \$28,000 to come from the Congregational Partnering Grant funds that had been set aside for use by Korean Churches within its bounds.

*Korean Independent  
Presbyterian Church*

**Recommendation #3**

To approve the request from Los Ranchos Presbytery and Korean Independent Presbyterian Church for \$25,000 to develop an Arts Ministry to reach people outside of the church.

The Commission VOTED to APPROVE this grant of \$25,000 to come from the Congregational Partnering Grant funds that had been set aside for use by Korean Churches within its bounds.

UMC LOAN  
REQUEST FROM  
SANTA BARBARA  
PRESBYTERY

Santa Barbara Presbytery has sent a letter requesting on behalf of the University Ministry Board, that the Synod allow them "additional time to attain the needed funds for repayment of the full \$500,000.00, and that in addition the Synod would forgive the 2nd \$500,000.00 as originally set forth in the terms of agreement upon payment of said loan."

**Background:**

This is the \$1,000,000 loan that the Synod had extended to the presbytery in 2012 to help fund their student resident center at Caly Poly San Luis Obispo. By the terms of the interest only loan, this became due and payable in March of 2017. At the time, the Presbytery was undergoing significant changes in both its Board of Trustees and the University Ministry Board members. The interest payments have been made and are continuing to be paid on a regular basis.

Now that they have received the completed financial audits, they are in the process of refinancing their bank loan. They would like to add the \$500,000.00 due to Synod last March into this financing. They are requesting that the Synod allow them the additional time to attain the needed funds for repayment of the full \$500,000, and that in addition the Synod would forgive the 2nd \$500,000 as originally set forth in the terms of agreement upon payment of the loan from the Synod.

It was VOTED to ALLOW Santa Barbara Presbytery until August 31, 2018 to complete the refinancing of their bank loan and repayment of \$500,000 of the original Synod loan.

REQUEST FROM  
SANTA BARBARA  
PRESBYTERY FOR  
DISASTER  
ASSISTANCE  
GRANT

A letter was received from Santa Barbara Presbytery requesting a grant for disaster relief of \$3,000 to help respond to the needs of its churches, members, and communities in the aftermath of the recent fires and floods that impacted Ventura and Santa Barbara counties. The letter reported that the presbytery has been active in relief efforts and has established a Thomas Fire Disaster Response Task Force. They included the following report of those relief efforts in their letter.

**January Highlights:**

**Received – \$39,662.54**

- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance – 15,000
- Moorpark – 2,556
- First SLO – 6,286.54
- First Burlingame – \$5,820
- St Andrews – \$10,000

**Distributed – \$14,000**

- Farm Workers Ventura/Santa Paula – \$1,000
- Institute for Congregational Trauma and Growth
  - Counseling & Disaster Education – \$2,000
  - Bilingual Pastoral Counselor (Contract & expenses) – \$8,500
- Carpinteria Community
  - Impacted Family in Need – \$500
  - Impacted Individual in Need – \$500
  - Kinderkirk Preschool (to offset contract for impacted family) – \$1500

**Volunteering:**

- Carpinteria Community
  - Partnered with County groups to provide venue for 20-30 vendors to provide services for impacted individuals, families, and businesses
- First SB
  - Partnered with Sheriff, County Behavioral Wellness, & Red Cross to provide the Family Assistance Center following the Mudflow

**February (Pending):**

**To distribute:**

- Carpinteria Community
- Discretionary Fund for Impacted Individuals/Families – \$2500
- (Including Ventura residents who displaced to Carp)

**Assessing:**

- Ongoing preschool support at Carp Community & Elmo
- Community needs for undocumented residents; laid off workers; workers experiencing long term effects of business loss; and long term emotional/spiritual/mental health needs in Ventura, Santa Paula, Ojai, Carpinteria, Summerland, Montecito, and Santa Barbara
- Long-term financial needs after FEMA / Insurance claims processed (est. 1-2 years)

It was MOVED, SECONDED and PASSED to DONATE \$10,000 to Santa Barbara Presbytery for its disaster relief activities with funding to come from the Elias Family Funds or as needed from unrestricted reserves.

KOREAN  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CONFERENCE

Korean Presbyterian Conference of the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii (NKPC-SC) presented two grant requests to the Commission. These would both come from the funds currently held by the Synod from the sale of the property of the Thousand Oaks Korean Church and the Antelope Valley Church. These congregations were members of the former Hanmi Presbytery that were dissolved by the Hanmi Executive Commission.

*Pastoral Training,  
Workshops and  
Youth Rally*

KPC requests the amount of \$8,000.00 for pastoral training, workshops, and youth rally. The programs are broken down as follows:

1. Continuing Education Week for Pastors -- \$3,000  
This Education Week covers certain areas being salient to help and enhance their ministry.
  - a. Church Polity – Since the amendments of the Book of Order were made a few years ago, most of the Korean pastors here had no opportunity to study and equip with the understanding and application of it in their effective ministry and administrative roles.
  - b. Conflict Management – The conflicts the Korean churches and congregations have been facing recently create a theological ambiguity about the church's direction stemming from the amendment of ordination and marriage provisions. As we all have observed the turmoil in the church, some Korean churches left the denomination imprinting grave scars to the remaining congregations. Our KPC leadership sees the urgent need to mend the scars and heal the broken hearts of the congregations and its leaders.
  - c. Theological and Practical Aspects of Ministry – Ministry Areas of Spiritual Formation, Christian Identity-building in the Cultural Diversity, Future Vision for Life and Mission of Immigrant Churches, etc. are to be well theologized within the context of the reformed tradition.

Lecturers and speakers of the specialized fields are to be invited for the week.

2. EM Pastors Training -- \$3,000

In Korean-American congregations two ministry models coexist: Korean Ministry(KM) and English Ministry(EM). Even EM models differ one after another: from autonomous entity to Sunday School patterns. Moreover, EM pastors come from different theological orientations by which tension between the KM pastors and young EM pastors often arises due to their diversified perspectives theologically and culturally.

Our KPC sees the felt-needs for the EM pastors to build network together with peers, to improve the leadership ability in diverse cultural setting, and to be familiar with our church's governance and missional endeavors. The training sessions are designed to empower, encourage and enrich their ministry.

3. Youth Rally -- \$2,000

The leaders of Korean-American churches are deeply concerned of a phenomenon described as "Silent Exodus." It is noted that a significant number of young people of Korean churches leave the church when they move to enter the colleges. Not only generational gap but cultural diversity in the Korean churches create alarming signal to this trend.

The KPC demonstrates its willingness to combat "against the tides" by holding a youth rally during summer, inviting young people (junior and senior high students) to strengthen and deepen their faith, for 1.5th and 2nd generation ministry rests on the future of the Korean-American churches.

*NCKPC Annual  
Assembly*

KPC requests the amount of \$15,000,00 for the Commission of Assembly's approval and dispensation.

The National Conference of Korean Presbyterian Churches (hereafter NCKPC) is an ethnic entity which advocates and represents the existence and identity of Korean Presbyterian churches and congregations in the denomination since its inception in 1972. Its congregations and fellowships are currently numbered about 400. The leadership of our KPC was taking leading role for the advancement of goals of NCKPC ever since its early stage.

Its 47th Annual Assembly will be held from May 15th to 18th at Double Tree by Hilton, San Diego. Due to rotation of meeting locations, the southern California branch of KPC is hosting the NCKPC Annual Assembly, arranging certain necessary accommodations and provisions for the gathering being operated properly as planned. One

of the Hosting Committee's courteous responsibilities is to entertain a banquet being held on Wednesday evening. Our KPC is planning for the dinner in the banquet room of the hotel.

Our KPC is informed from NCKPC office that attendees of the Annual Assembly would be numbered some 300 members and the evening banquet would cost \$50.00 per person, totaling an approximate amount of \$15,000.00.

The moderator-elect, Rev. David Won. shall be installed as Moderator of the NCKPC in May.

A motion was made and seconded that the Synod FUND these two requests using funds being held from the remaining proceeds of the sale of the Antelope Valley and Thousand Oaks Church properties.

An amendment was made and seconded to add the following sentence to the motion:

The remainder of those funds are to be added to the funds in the Church Development Fund that have been allocated for Korean congregations within the Congregational Partnering Grants Program.

The amendment did not pass and then the original motion was passed.

REPORT OF THE  
SYNOD EXECUTIVE

Mark Hong presented a written report that is presented below:

**Presbytery Meetings**

Continue to attend Presbytery Meetings regularly attending monthly Council Meeting in Santa Barbara at the invitation of the Council Chair.

**Attended the following meetings and gatherings**

PCCCI Board Meetings - Search process to replace Rick Harrison by March of 2018 is ongoing.

The Synod Exec. Forum in Orange Beach, Alabama

The Zephyr Point Board meeting, Sacramento

A Memorial Service for RE John McManigal of

Montecito PC, who was a victim of mudslide in Montecito area.

Working with Heidi Worth Gamble and Sunny Kang, I signed a National Recovery Grant Request to the PDA (\$25,000) to be used for Matthew 25 Movement.

Plan to attend celebration of life for Doska's father on Feb. 24 in Borrego Springs.

Presbytery EP Gatherings (2x)

Preached at New Hope and Pasadena PC.

KPC gatherings

**223rd General Assembly Commissioner Orientation**

March 3 (Sat) from 9 to 12, ending with lunch.  
Forrest Claassen, Wendy Tajima, Fried Wilson will be the speakers.

**Synod Assembly - April 14**

The Synod is planning for a workshop on antiracism, led by Eric Law in the morning (9 a.m.-noon) which will be open to all, break for lunch, followed by our business meeting for the Commissioners from 1-3 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by TE Mark Hong at 12:30 p.m.

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Mark Hong, Stated Clerk

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Fried R. Wilson, Journal Clerk

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**LETTER OF APPRECIATION**

**FROM**

**RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERY**

**DRAFT**



**ATTACHMENT 2**

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**FOR THE PERIOD ENDING**

**JULY 31, 2017**

**DRAFT**

**ATTACHMENT 3**

**PROPOSED SYNOD BUDGETS FOR 2018**

**DRAFT**



**SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HAWAII**  
**Financial Narrative**  
**December 31 2017**

1) Summary of Operating Activity

	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Variance</i>	
<b>REVENUE:</b>				
Per Capita / Other Revenue	\$ 123,209	\$ 151,000	\$ (27,791)	a)
Net Assets Released from Restriction	\$ 423,547	\$ 191,600	\$ 231,947	b)
Use of Wilshire Reserve	\$ 272,738	\$ 232,820	\$ 39,918	
Total Revenue:	\$ 819,494	\$ 575,420	\$ 244,074	
<b>EXPENSES:</b>				
Program Services	\$ 410,159	\$ 177,900	\$ 232,259	c)
Personnel Costs	\$ 297,774	\$ 288,550	\$ 9,224	d)
Support Services	\$ 111,561	\$ 108,970	\$ 2,591	
Total Expenses:	\$ 819,494	\$ 575,420	\$ 244,074	
<b>Net Change in Operating Assets</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

- a) Per Capita is 7.5K below budgeted levels Other Revenue less than Planned levels
- b) Congregational Partnering & Church Development Grants - Ciclica LA 81K, Shower Plus 20k, Boyle Heights 15k other COA Authorized grants 69K
- c) See b)
- d) Pension costs higher than planned, REPL Wages not budgeted

2) Chase Restricted Reserve Account @ 12 31 2017

	\$ 322,788
Undistributed Income from restricted & permanent funds	\$ 161,558
Undisbursed restricted donations, grants & special funds, REPL donation	\$ 53,358
Funds Held in Trust - Korean TO funds, Sale of Palmdale Lots	\$ 48,105
Loan Payments Chuch Development Fund	\$ 56,818
Interest Earned	\$ 2,949
	\$ 322,788

The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii  
 Budget vs. Actuals: Budget - FY17 P&L  
 January - December 2017

For The Year Ending 12/31/2017

	Actual	Budget	over Budget	Variance Analysis
Revenue				
50000 Revenue				
50110 Investment Revenue-General Use	2,866.79	24,000.00	(21,133.21)	Poor Budget
52000 Per Capita				
52100 Per Capita - Los Ranchos	29,762.55	29,800.00	(37.45)	
52110 Per Capita - Pacific	30,810.60	29,000.00	1,810.60	
52120 Per Capita - Riverside	10,294.20	10,300.00	(5.80)	
52130 Per Capita - San Fernando	1,541.66	15,800.00	(14,258.34)	
52140 Per Capita - San Gabriel	18,772.19	20,800.00	(2,027.81)	
52150 Per Capita - Santa Barbara	8,180.28	13,800.00	(5,619.72)	
52160 Per Capita - San Diego	19,426.76	33,200.00	(13,773.24)	
52170 Per Capita - Hanmi	0.00	3,500.00	(3,500.00)	
52990 Per Capita - Uncollectible	0.00	(30,000.00)	30,000.00	
<b>Total 52000 Per Capita</b>	<b>118,788.24</b>	<b>126,200.00</b>	<b>(7,411.76)</b>	Some Caught up / Some still far behind
54000 Miscellaneous Income	1,554.29	800.00	754.29	
55000 Net Assets Released from Restriction-Program				
55100 Net Assets Released-Gift	80,290.99	56,100.00	24,190.99	
55110 Net Assets Released From Restriction-Chaplaincy	57,500.04	57,500.00	0.04	
55120 Net Assets Released From Restriction-JPIC	12,227.24	21,000.00	(8,772.76)	
55130 Net Assets Released From Restriction-REPL	29,528.79	24,300.00	5,228.79	
55150 Net Asset Released From Restriction-Congregational Partnering Grant	195,462.00	16,500.00	178,962.00	
55160 Net Asset Released From Restriction-Other Grant	35,150.00	0.00	35,150.00	
<b>Total 55000 Net Assets Released from Restriction-Program</b>	<b>410,159.06</b>	<b>175,400.00</b>	<b>234,759.06</b>	
55500 Net Asset Released from Restrictions-Non Program				
55570 Net Asset Released From Restriction-Wilshire Properties Reserve Fund	272,737.65	232,820.00	39,917.65	Use > Budget Per Capita Under Budget 15K, NAAR 3K, Pension Miscalc and Repl Salary not budgeted 12k, D Suarez 4k, 5k better than draft
55580 Net Assets Released From Restriction-Restricted Revenue for Gen Use	13,388.37	16,200.00	(2,811.63)	
<b>Total 55500 Net Asset Released from Restrictions-Non Program</b>	<b>286,126.02</b>	<b>249,020.00</b>	<b>37,106.02</b>	
<b>Total 50000 Revenue</b>	<b>819,494.40</b>	<b>575,420.00</b>	<b>244,074.40</b>	

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<b>Expenditures</b>				
<b>61000 Program Services</b>				
61100 Justice, Peace & Integrity of Creation (JPIC)	12,527.24	21,000.00	(8,472.76)	
61300 Chaplaincy Consortium	57,500.04	57,500.00	0.04	
61400 Congregational Partnering Grants	195,462.00	16,500.00	178,962.00	
61500 Gifts	80,290.99	56,100.00	24,190.99	
61600 Other Grants	35,150.00	0.00	35,150.00	
61700 Bridges	0.00	2,500.00	(2,500.00)	
61800 REPL	0.00	24,300.00	(24,300.00)	
61852 REPL - Scholarships	29,292.00	0.00	29,292.00	
61861 Mileage and Travel-REPL	236.79	0.00	236.79	
<b>Total 61800 REPL</b>	<b>29,528.79</b>	<b>24,300.00</b>	<b>5,228.79</b>	
<b>Total 61000 Program Services</b>	<b>410,459.06</b>	<b>177,900.00</b>	<b>232,559.06</b>	
<b>62000 Support Services</b>				
62110 Salaries & Wages - Administrative	218,544.20	220,900.00	(2,355.80)	
62111 Salaries & Wages -REPL	6,250.05	0.00	6,250.05	
62120 Pension & Medical	59,408.16	53,200.00	6,208.16	
62130 FICA - Administrative	9,275.94	9,500.00	(224.06)	
62131 FICA - REPL	497.28	0.00	497.28	
62140 Workers Compensation - Administrative	746.77	1,950.00	(1,203.23)	
62141 Workers Compensation - REPL	40.77	0.00	40.77	
62150 Study Leave	3,010.63	3,000.00	10.63	
<b>62000 Total Personnel Costs</b>	<b>297,773.80</b>	<b>288,550.00</b>	<b>9,223.80</b>	Pension not calc in Budget correctly. REPL Wages
<b>62300 Operating Expenses</b>				
62310 Office Supplies	3,039.13	900.00	2,139.13	
62315 Postage & Delivery	482.99	300.00	182.99	
62320 Communication	9,279.41	8,900.00	379.41	
62325 Equipment Maintenance	0.00	600.00	(600.00)	
62330 Equipment Leases	6,729.52	7,400.00	(670.48)	
62333 Equipment Purchased	2,321.46	300.00	2,021.46	
62335 Rent Expense	1,655.00	1,650.00	5.00	
62340 Utilities	6,420.00	6,400.00	20.00	
62345 General Liability & Property Insurance	2,107.00	2,000.00	107.00	
62350 Taxes, Licenses & Fees	136.00	220.00	(84.00)	
62355 Dues & Subscriptions	573.90	300.00	273.90	
62360 Mileage & Travel	12,285.18	12,000.00	285.18	
<b>Total 62300 Operating Expenses</b>	<b>45,029.59</b>	<b>40,970.00</b>	<b>4,059.59</b>	Office supplies for new Employees Office equip for new employees not capitalized

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<b>62400 Meeting Expenses</b>				
62401 Meetings - G&A	2,056.70	200.00	1,856.70	
62403 Meetings - Commission Of Assembly	825.84	800.00	25.84	
62404 Meetings - Work Groups	0.00	400.00	(400.00)	
62405 Meetings - Polity & Records	155.20	300.00	(144.80)	
62406 Meetings - Committee on Representation & Nominations	155.15	300.00	(144.85)	
62407 Meetings - Permanent Judicial Commission	1,777.42	3,300.00	(1,522.58)	
62408 Meetings - Hanmi Executive Commission	165.42	0.00	165.42	
62409 Meetings - Synod Assembly	3,178.15	3,000.00	178.15	
62411 Meetings - Synod Moderator's Expenses	1,188.76	1,500.00	(311.24)	
<b>Total 62400 Meeting Expenses</b>	<b>9,502.64</b>	<b>9,800.00</b>	<b>(297.36)</b>	
<b>Professional Fees</b>				
62500 Audit Fee	16,200.00	16,000.00	200.00	
62510 Legal Fees	3,015.00	8,000.00	(4,985.00)	
62515 Bank Charges and Fees	294.88	100.00	194.88	
62520 Data Processing Fees	2,944.25	3,900.00	(955.75)	
62550 Technical Support				
62551 Accounting Services	8,931.10	5,000.00	3,931.10	D Suarez
62552 Website Maintenance	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	
62553 Computer Hardware & Software Maintenance	955.00	1,800.00	(845.00)	
<b>Total 62550 Technical Support</b>	<b>12,886.10</b>	<b>9,800.00</b>	<b>3,086.10</b>	
<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	<b>35,340.23</b>	<b>37,800.00</b>	<b>(2,459.77)</b>	Legal Fees less than anticipated
<b>Other Operating Expenses</b>				
62750 Special Program Expenses				
62751 Presbytery of the Pacific - Reimbursement of Hawaii Delegates	4,957.94	5,000.00	(42.06)	
62752 Allocation to So California Christian Forum	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	
<b>Total 62750 Special Program Expenses</b>	<b>14,957.94</b>	<b>15,000.00</b>	<b>(42.06)</b>	
62800 Training Expenses	5,230.23	5,000.00	230.23	
62810 Staff Support	0.00	300.00	(300.00)	
62990 Miscellaneous Expenses	1,200.91	100.00	1,100.91	
<b>Total Other Operating Expenses</b>	<b>21,389.08</b>	<b>20,400.00</b>	<b>989.08</b>	
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>819,494.40</b>	<b>575,420.00</b>	<b>244,074.40</b>	
<b>Net Change in Operating Assets</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	

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<b>70000 Other Restricted Revenue &amp; Non-Budgeted Revenue</b>				
70115 Investment Revenue-Temporary Restricted-Pooled and Unitrust Funds	(92,475.99)	0.00	(92,475.99)	
70120 Revenue Reinvested-Church Development Fund	(52,012.17)	0.00	(52,012.17)	
70125 Revenue Reinvested-McKee Funds	(4,571.24)	0.00	(4,571.24)	
70130 Revenue Reinvested-Wilshire Properties Reserve Funds	431.51	0.00	431.51	
70135 Revenue Reinvested-Gen And Adm	(55,467.20)	0.00	(55,467.20)	
70150 Revenue Reinvested - Langlie Fund	(69.90)	0.00	(69.90)	
70155 Revenue Reinvested - Edwards Fund	(59.55)	0.00	(59.55)	
71600 Interest On Loans	(24,120.30)	0.00	(24,120.30)	
72900 Depreciation	879.30	0.00	879.30	
73000 Donations-Temporarily Restricted	(401.00)	0.00	(401.00)	
73100 REPL Donations	(2,672.24)	0.00	(2,672.24)	
73110 JPIC Offering	(1,668.33)	0.00	(1,668.33)	
<b>Total 73000 Donations-Temporarily Restricted</b>	<b>(4,741.57)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(4,741.57)</b>	
<b>76000 Unrealized Gain (Loss) On Investment</b>				
76100 Unrealized Gain (Loss) On Investment-Unrestricted Investments	(108,247.46)	0.00	(108,247.46)	
76110 Unrealized Gain (Loss) On Investment-Unrestricted-Council Assigned Investments	(626,526.33)	0.00	(626,526.33)	
76120 Unrealized Gain (Loss) On Investment-Temporarily Restricted Investments	(388,985.44)	0.00	(388,985.44)	
76130 Unrealized Gain (Loss) On Investment-Permanently Restricted Investments	(191,310.31)	0.00	(191,310.31)	
<b>Total 76000 Unrealized Gain (Loss) On Investment</b>	<b>(1,315,069.54)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(1,315,069.54)</b>	
<b>Total 70000 Other Restricted Revenue &amp; Non-Budgeted Revenue</b>	<b>(1,547,276.65)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(1,547,276.65)</b>	
<b>80000 Fund Transfer Out</b>				
80100 Funds Transfer Out-Gift	80,423.57	0.00	80,423.57	
80110 Funds Transfer Out-Chaplaincy	57,500.04	0.00	57,500.04	
80120 Funds Transfer Out-JPIC	12,227.24	0.00	12,227.24	
80130 Funds Transfer Out-REPL	29,528.79	0.00	29,528.79	
80150 Funds Transfer Out-Congregational Partnering Grants	195,462.00	0.00	195,462.00	
80160 Funds Transfer Out-Other Grants	35,150.00	0.00	35,150.00	
80170 Funds Transfer Out-Wilshire Properties Reserve Fund	272,737.65	0.00	272,737.65	
80180 Fund Transfer Out-Restricted to Gen Fund	13,320.39	0.00	13,320.39	
<b>Total 80000 Fund Transfer Out</b>	<b>696,349.68</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>696,349.68</b>	
<b>Net Change in Assets for the Period</b>	<b>850,926.97</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>850,926.97</b>	



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	Total
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
<b>Bank Accounts</b>	
10000 Cash & Cash Equivalents	
10100 Chase #786622956 - General	13,786.34
10105 Union Bank #3460009668-General	0.00
10106 Union Bank MM #3460016273-Restricted	0.00
10107 Union Bank-Business MM Account-#3460017075-Restricted	0.00
10110 Chase #3380085208 - Restricted	322,787.58
<b>Total 10000 Cash &amp; Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>\$ 336,573.92</b>
10200 Short Term Investments	
10210 One Year REPL CD	0.00
10220 Presbyterian Investment & Loan Program	1,164,621.66
<b>Total 10200 Short Term Investments</b>	<b>\$ 1,164,621.66</b>
<b>Total Bank Accounts</b>	<b>\$ 1,501,195.58</b>
<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	
11000 Accounts Receivable (A/R)	
11010 Per Capita Receivable	271,198.96
11015 Allowance for Bad Debts	-271,198.96
11020 Accounts Receivable-Others	0.00
11030 Investment Income Receivable	0.00
<b>Total 11000 Accounts Receivable (A/R)</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>Other Current Assets</b>	
12000 Prepaid Expenses	
12100 Prepaid Insurance	2,074.00
12200 Other Prepaid Expenses	0.00
<b>Total 12000 Prepaid Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 2,074.00</b>
13000 Other Current Assets	
13001 Accounts Receivable-Others	57,505.74
<b>Total 13000 Other Current Assets</b>	<b>\$ 57,505.74</b>
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	<b>\$ 59,579.74</b>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,560,775.32</b>
<b>Other Assets</b>	
<b>20000 Long Term Assets</b>	
21000 Notes Receivables/Mortgage Grants	
21100 Notes Receivable	1,119,594.72
21200 Mortgage Grants	517,623.22
21999 Allowance for Bad Debts	-572,642.92
<b>Total 21000 Notes Receivables/Mortgage Grants</b>	<b>\$ 1,064,575.02</b>
22000 Unrestricted Investments	
22100 Unrestricted Reserve	892,541.36
22200 Ecclesiastical Reserve	27,453.78
22300 Oiko Credit	100,000.00
<b>Total 22000 Unrestricted Investments</b>	<b>\$ 1,019,995.14</b>
23000 Unrestricted Investments- Council Assigned	
23100 NCTC - Wilshire Reserve	5,040,209.41
23200 Morgan Stanley/Smith Barney	0.00
<b>Total 23000 Unrestricted Investments- Council Assigned</b>	<b>\$ 5,040,209.41</b>

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	Total
<b>24000 Temporarily Restricted Investments</b>	
24100 Church Development Fund	3,440,345.39
24200 Southern California Foundation	206,231.51
24300 Langlie Fund	25,288.67
24400 Edwards Fund	21,542.34
24500 Life Income Plans - Paid in Lump Sums	7,208.84
<b>Total 24000 Temporarily Restricted Investments</b>	<b>\$ 3,700,616.75</b>
<b>25000 Permanently Restricted Funds</b>	
25100 Pooled and Unitrust Funds	2,770,276.60
25200 Life Income Plans - Est. Permanent Funds	18,305.03
<b>Total 25000 Permanently Restricted Funds</b>	<b>\$ 2,788,581.63</b>
<b>26000 Property Held for Investment</b>	93,168.45
<b>27000 Fixed Assets</b>	
27100 Furniture and Equipment	35,195.91
27200 Accumulated Depreciation	-32,615.20
<b>Total 27000 Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,580.71</b>
<b>Total 20000 Long Term Assets</b>	<b>\$ 13,709,727.11</b>
<b>Total Other Assets</b>	<b>\$ 13,709,727.11</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 15,270,502.43</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	
<b>Liabilities</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
<b>Accounts Payable</b>	
30000 Accounts Payable (A/P)	333.20
<b>Total Accounts Payable</b>	<b>\$ 333.20</b>
<b>Other Current Liabilities</b>	
31000 Short Term Liabilities	
31100 Accrued Expenses	27,976.98
31200 Vacation / PTO Accrual	4,840.94
31300 Flexible Spending Account	-189.62
31400 403-B Payable	3,060.00
31500 Funds Held in Trust	48,152.96
<b>Total 31000 Short Term Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 83,841.26</b>
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 83,841.26</b>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 84,174.46</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 84,174.46</b>
<b>Equity</b>	
<b>40000 Net Assets</b>	
41000 Unrestricted Net Assets	1,374,293.37
42000 Unrestricted Net Assets - Council Designated	4,101,533.35
43000 Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	6,203,288.69
44000 Permanently Restricted Assets	2,629,903.01
<b>Total 40000 Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 14,309,018.42</b>
<b>Opening Balance Equity</b>	0.00
<b>Retained Earnings</b>	26,382.57
<b>Net Revenue</b>	850,926.98
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$ 15,186,327.97</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 15,270,502.43</b>

**Permanent Funds with income benefiting Synod of Southern California and Hawaii - 313567**

<b>Fund ID</b>	<b>Fund Description</b>	<b>Fund Open Date</b>	<b>Agreement No</b>	<b>Market Value as of 12/31/2017</b>	<b>Available Funds as of 04/03/2018</b>	<b>Fund Restrictions</b>
102240101592	Albert E. and Avanelle M. Smith Memorial Fund-36832	9/30/1992	19880067	11,144.83		to the Synodical of the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii 1501 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90017, for the Virginia H. Gaylord Scholarship Fund.
102240005891	Albert E. and Avanelle M. Smith Memorial Fund-36839	9/30/1992	19880067	11,890.64	2,138.21	For its [Synod of Southern California and Hawaii] program to assist the hungry and homeless.
102240004070	Alfred A. and Jody Gregory Family Fund-34732	3/28/1977	19770605	153,028.28		wherever the need is greatest, as directed by the Trustees of the Synod.
102240004068	Alfred A. and Jody Gregory Fund-34730	3/28/1977	19715546	97,189.79	44,512.15	To Synod of Southern California for Urban Work, as directed by the Department of Social and Ecumenical Concerns.
102241004023	Anonymous No. 8 - 2 of 3 - Southern California Foundation-32840	6/30/1986	19624841	5,038.27		No Restrictions
102240100648	Betty W. Moore Memorial Fund-36299	10/31/1995	19850417	8,311.73		to be used in accordance with the terms of this agreement [for a community center] within the Presbytery of San Gabriel.
102240006050	Black Advisory Committee Fund-38965	8/12/1993	19930647	8,145.73		shall use said income from the Fund hereby established to benefit the Black Advisory Committee of the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii.
102240101747	Choate - McClellan Family Memorial Fund-45632	5/19/2000	20000223	6,104.66		to the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii for the care and support of underprivileged children.
102240070027	Elias Family Memorial Fund-34064	11/7/2002	19720538	14,003.83	1,662.49	For the support and development of Neighborhood Centers; to provide summer camperships for children who could not otherwise afford this experience; for the support of hospital chaplaincies; for ministry to service personnel; for Church day care centers and/or for other similar community development projects; wherever the need is greatest, as directed by the Department of Social and Ecumenical Concerns.
102240070030	Elias Family Memorial Fund-34067	11/7/2002	19720538	7,001.91	71.52	To establish a fund to be used for disaster relief projects anywhere in the world, wherever the need is greatest, as directed by the General Council of the Synod [of Southern California].
102240004054	Elias Family Memorial Fund-34069	9/30/1979	19720539	42,165.27	1,994.54	Two-thirds shall be used for the support and development of Neighborhood Centers; to provide summer camperships for children who could not otherwise afford this experience; for the support of hospital chaplaincies; for ministry to service personnel; for Church day care centers and/or for other similar community development projects; wherever the need is greatest, as directed by the Department of Social and Ecumenical Concerns. One-third shall be used to establish a fund to be used for disaster relief projects anywhere in the world, wherever the need is greatest, as directed by the General Council of the Synod.
102240202290	Elias Family Memorial Fund-55976	10/31/2009	19790301	51,057.36	643.65	To establish a fund to be used for disaster relief projects anywhere in the world, wherever the need is greatest, as directed by the General Council of the Synod.
102240202291	Elias Family Memorial Fund-55977	10/31/2009	19790301	102,114.80	16,369.52	For the support and development of Neighborhood Centers; to provide summer camperships for children who could not otherwise afford this experience; for the support of hospital chaplaincies; for ministry to service personnel; for Church day care centers and/or for other similar community development projects wherever the need is greatest, as directed by the Social and Ecumenical Concerns Commission.
102240202303	Elias Family Memorial Fund-57953	10/31/2009	19720537	23,918.22	0.00	For the support and development of Neighborhood Centers; to provide summer camperships for children who could not otherwise afford this experience; for the support of hospital chaplaincies; for ministry to service personnel; for Church day care centers and/or for other similar community development projects; wherever the need is greatest, as directed by the Department of Social and Ecumenical Concerns.
102240202307	Elias Family Memorial Fund-57957	10/31/2009	19720537	11,959.11	0.00	to establish a fund to be used for disaster relief projects anywhere in the world, wherever the need is greatest, as directed by the General Council for the Synod. <b>Page 8</b>
102240000294	Francis Greenlee Memorial Fund-33403	12/15/1967	19670622	8,336.70	170.19	To be used to provide scholarship assistance for a Spanish-American student on a college or seminary level as directed by said National Missions Committee [of the Synod of Southern California]. Provided, however, in the event that there is no longer a need for said scholarship assistance, the income from this Fund shall be paid to the Synod of Southern California to be used for similar purposes wherever the need is greatest.
102240000222	Lillian McElhane Memorial Fund-35416	6/30/1980	19801028	16,447.15	1,322.22	the income therefrom shall be paid to the Eagle Rock United Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles, California for a period of ten years [ended in 1990], following which income shall be paid to the Synod of Southern California for use wherever the need is greatest.

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102240000232	Marie D. Messick Memorial Fund-34273	3/30/1973	19730755	17,016.52		No Restrictions
102240004787	O. Scott and Ila W. McFarland Memorial Fund-36521	12/19/1986	19860656	13,150.14		For new church development.
102240005946	Olmstead Trust-38371	10/9/1992	19920661	658,441.25	19,275.80	The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii, or its successor, shall use the said income from the fund hereby established to support the Presbyterian chaplaincy program within the bounds of the County of Los Angeles, as may be determined by the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii, or its successor, and in cooperation with such hospital. The chaplain will be a member of the Presbytery of jurisdiction and be an employee of a Presbyterian Church U.S.A.) governing body located within the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii. The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii, or its successor, shall have the privilege of changing the investment vehicle of said gift once every two years according to the investment practices of the Foundation then in effect and shall also annually have the privilege of withdrawing principal of said Fund in excess of \$800,000.00 according to the rules of the Foundation then in effect. Should the principal drop below \$800,000.00, due to market conditions, further withdrawals will not be permitted until the principal is again in excess of \$800,000.00. Any written requests for withdrawal of principal or change of investment vehicle must be received by the Foundation at least ten (10) business days prior to the periodic valuation deadline of March 31, June 30, September 30, December 31, in each year.
102240005926	Racial Ethnic Pastoral Scholarship Fund-38372	10/22/1992	19920662	137,222.00		Shall use the said income from the Fund hereby established as determined by its Racial Ethnic Pastoral Scholarship Committee.
102240000352	Ralph M. and Beulah Speelmon Memorial Fund-32993	12/31/1973	19640092	10,130.44		to the Synod of California, Southern Area for capital needs as shall be determined by the Synod and the proper Presbyteries.
102240101978	Rose M. Baguez Memorial Fund-36846	7/24/2001	19880075	11,286.10	235.23	to be used by the Synod in its Hispanic ministry programs.
102240070587	Samuel C. and Mildred L. Rue Fund-34457	2/19/2003	19750549	30,231.50		No Restrictions
102240001001	The Alberta Fund-34447	5/25/1975	19750527	2,567.75		The said Synod shall use the income as the General Council of said Synod shall direct in the furtherance of the Christian purposes of the Synod.

Permanent Funds with income benefiting Synod of Southern California and Hawaii - 313567						
Fund ID	Fund Description	Fund Open Date	Agreement No	Market Value as of 12/31/2017	Available Funds as of 04/03/2018	Fund Restrictions
102240070798	The Synod of Southern California & Hawaii's Dorcas Davis Memorial Fund - 2002-30645	5/8/2003	20030120	640,384.24	29,182.91	As an organization bearing costs of performing research, due diligence, and review in the management of the distribution of income from the Fund, the Synod may be compensated from the income from the Fund for reasonable expenses subject to the following conditions. The accounting department of the Synod will routinely study comparable fees charged by other organizations for similar services and, in consideration of the actual costs incurred by the Synod in the performance of these services, propose a schedule of reasonable fees to the Administrative Committee of the Synod Council. The Synod may recover reasonable expenses based upon the schedule of fees approved by the Administrative Committee of the Synod Council. The Synod will divide the net income, less reasonable expenses charged by the Synod as described above, into three shares; one share of 5/18ths to support work with peacemaking and disarmament, one share of 4/9ths to support work among refugees and for the oppressed or needy in the United States of America and the world, and on share of 5/18ths to support activities which provide any, or all, of shelter, food, counseling, job placement, or emergency care for people in need. As to the 5/18ths share for peacemaking and disarmament, the Synod will make distributions to a Southern California program office of a non-profit organization determined by an appropriate committee of the Synod, in its sole discretion, engaged in worthy work dedicated to peacemaking and disarmament. As to the 4/9ths share to support work among refugees and the oppressed or needy in the United States of America and the world, the Synod will make distributions to a Southern California program office of Witness For Peace (Headquarters located in Washington, D.C.). As to the 5/18ths share to support activities which provide any, or all, of shelter, food, counseling, job placement, or emergency care for people in need, the Synod will make distributions to the Union Station Foundation (Headquarters located in Pasadena, CA). Based upon periodic research, due diligence, and review by the Synod's Regional Ministry Committee, or the Synod's appropriate successor committee, if any of the above programs is no longer performing in a manner consistent with Ms. Davis' stated purposes, then the Synod, in its sole discretion, through said committee, will identify another non-profit organization whose Southern California programs are consistent with Ms. Davis' purposes to be the recipient of said share of this fund's net income.
102240005383	Trinidad Salazar Memorial Fund-37116	7/17/1989	19890618	19,696.79	860.84	To benefit the Hispanic Ministry of the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii. Income from this fund is to be used above and beyond regular Synod budget amounts for Hispanic Ministries at the discretion of the Hispanic Commission or its successor.

**Totals** **2,117,985.01**      **118,439.27**

**New Covenant Funds**

Ecclestical Reserve	\$ 27,453.78	General Fund
Unrestricted Reserve	\$ 892,541.36	General Fund
Church Development Fund	\$ 3,440,345.39	
Southern California Foundation	\$ 199,166.08	\$ 29,728.38 Social Programs, Church Extension work, Ministries/New Churches. Young people summer service projects
Langlie Funds	\$ 24,422.26	\$ 9,780.38 Any Religious or Hospital Use
Edwards Funds	\$ 20,804.26	\$ 220.66 General Use

**Total - NCF Income in Chase account** **\$ 4,604,733.13**      **\$ 39,729.42**

**Total In Chase Restricted Fund Balance** **\$ 158,168.69**

**April 2015 - Synod of S CA & HI requested we pay these funds directly to their intended purpose.**

<b>Fund ID</b>	<b>Fund Description</b>	<b>Agreement No</b>	<b>Market Value as of 10/31/2017</b>	<b>Fund Restrictions</b>
102240005257	Addison S. and Flora H. Moore Fund-34432	19750508	11,890.64	The net income only therefrom shall be paid in quarterly payments to the Synod of Southern California for Support of Retired ministers, missionaries, full-time lay persons who have been workers or employees, and/or the spouses of same, of The United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. who live in Presbyterian-related retirement facilities within the boundaries of said Synod. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240202527	Bates-Coon Family Memorial Fund-56268	19900312	10,841.85	For the support of Camperships for minority or disadvantaged youth. If this ministry no longer exists, then said income shall be used for purposes as similar as possible to the original intent of donor. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240202774	Bates-Coon Trust Fund-101208	20120038	40,898.94	For the support of Camperships for minority or disadvantaged youth. If this ministry no longer exists, then said income shall be used for purposes as similar as possible to the original intent of donor. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240004982	Carl E. Berger and Florence L. Berger Memorial Fund-34444	19750525	16,942.27	For the support of the work of the Church in the care of retired clergy and missionaries, and other provisions for the elderly in Southern California. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240005337	Clifford M. and Miriam L. Drury Fund-34452	19750532	3,381.62	To the Synod of Southern California of The United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., for support of retired servants of The United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., or their spouses, who live in Presbyterian-related retirement facilities within the boundaries of said Synod. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240102053	Curtis Fund-47459	20010593	53,934.38	For the relief and benefit of deserving aged persons residing in Southern California and who need the same and who are chosen by said Synod in its discretion. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240005066	Dorcas D. Davis Memorial Fund - 12-36513	19860651	116,716.71	To support its [Synod of Southern California & Hawaii] work with Pasadena Union Station, 132 North Euclid Street, Pasadena, California, 91101, to support activities which provide any or all of the following: shelter, food, counseling, job placement or emergency care to people in need. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240005061	Dorcas D. Davis Memorial Fund - 7-36510	19860651	186,747.04	To support its work with the Witness for Peace - Pacific Southwest Region, 3782 Holden Avenue, Los Alamitos, California, 90720, to support their work among refugees, and for the oppressed or needy in the United States of America and the world. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240100854	Dorothy H. Arnim Fund-34557	19760507	3,111.21	For its [Synod of Southern California] use in the care and support of retired ministers, missionaries and/or full-time lay persons who have been workers or employees and/or the spouses of same of The United Presbyterian Church in the USA who live in Presbyterian-related retirement facilities within the boundaries of said Synod. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240005701	Dr. Gladys Whitmore Memorial Fund 2-34559	19760514	5,507.98	For its [Synod of Southern California] use in the care and support of retired ministers, missionaries and/or full-time lay persons who have been workers or employees and/or the spouses of same of the United Presbyterian Church in the USA who live in Presbyterian-related retirement facilities within the boundaries of said Synod. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240000219	Dr. James T. McCreight Memorial Fund-34573	19760537	6,551.00	For its use in the care and support of retired ministers, missionaries and/or full-time lay persons who have been workers or employees and/or the spouses of same of the United Presbyterian Church in the USA who live in Presbyterian-related retirement facilities within the boundaries of said Synod. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240000240	G. Walter Monroe Memorial Fund-90424	19835375	1,220.50	For the purposes of Christian Education. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]

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102240201908	Hessel-Wonder Family Memorial Fund-53156	19910522	29,222.22	For support of retired ministers, missionaries, and full-time lay persons who have been workers or employees and/or the spouses of the same of the Presbyterian Church (USA) who live in a Presbyterian-related retirement facility located in Pasadena. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240004133	Josephine W. Leonard Fund-34431	19750504	3,660.87	For support of retired ministers, missionaries, full-time lay persons who have been workers or employees and/or spouses of same of The United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. who live in Presbyterian-related retirement facilities within the boundaries of said Synod. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240101570	Ray L. and Leatrice I. Thurston Memorial Fund-36952	19880642	4,439.73	shall use its proportionate share of the said net income for camp development. If there is no development need then it is to be used for maintenance. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240000457	Rex and Laura Lane Memorial Fund-33496	19680154	145,341.06	for the program of the Conferences Grounds Commission of Southern California. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240101619	Rex and Laura Lane Memorial Fund-34167	19730508	28,885.86	For the program of conference grounds facilities to be used at the discretion of the Permanent Committee on Conference Grounds Facilities, for conference grounds development at the La Scherpa Conference Grounds, or wherever the need is greatest. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240200772	Rex and Laura Lane Memorial Fund-53341	19680536	60,960.72	For the program of conference grounds facilities to be used at the discretion of the Permanent Committee on Conference Grounds Facilities, for conference grounds development at the La Scherpa Conference Grounds, or wherever the need is greatest. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240004708	Stewart Lacy Memorial Scholarship Fund-37551	19860638	4,783.57	With first preference given to its Conferences and Leadership Development Committee for the camper scholarship program. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240200516	Van H. and Olive M. Eakes Memorial Fund-52958	19939063	3,897.41	For support of retired ministers, missionaries, and full-time lay persons who have been workers or employees and/or the spouses of same of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) who live in a Presbyterian-related retirement facility located in Pasadena. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]
102240095020	Youth Opportunity Fund-53463	19710506	3,143.04	To provide assistance to needy and deserving young people, as directed by the Department of Social and Ecumenical Concerns of the Synod of Southern California. [effective April 2015 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii requested we pay the income from this fund directly to Monte Vista Grove Homes on their behalf.]

**Totals**

**742,078.62**

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*Synod of Southern California & Hawaii*  
*Donations and Special funds*  
*As of 04/03/2018*

Fund	Available Income	Fund Can Be Used For
REPL Scholarship	\$ 435	REPL
JPIC	\$ 17,195	JPIC
Peacemaking Central America	\$ 178	JPIC
SNAC program	\$ 1,061	SNAC program
SNAC program - Misc	\$ 393	SNAC program - Misc
JED Hispanic	\$ 160	JED Hispanic
JPC Mens	\$ 16	JPC Mens
Legalization Fund	\$ 2,098	Legalization Fund
Ministry With Aging Network	\$ 150	Ministry With Aging Network
Interest-Oeschli Fund	\$ 73	JPIC
Oeschli Gift Fund	\$ 2,699	JPIC
Volunteer In Mission	\$ 1,992	Volunteer In Mission
Washington Legislation	\$ 302	Washington Legislation
Wente Funds	\$ 2,694	TBD
Jim and Alice Furuya REPL donation	\$ <u>24,899</u>	REPL
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 54,345</b>	



**Synod of Southern California & Hawaii**

**Funds Held in Trust - Korean TO funds, Sale of Palmdale Lots**

**As of 12/31/17**

Fund	Amount	Uses
Korean PC-Thousand Oaks	\$ 15,579	
Sale of Palmdale Lots - Korean Church	\$ 32,526	
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Total	\$ 48,105	

**Synod of Southern California and Hawaii  
SYNOD ASSEMBLY  
April 14, 2018**

**REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK  
Mark E. Hong**

**1. Declaration of a Quorum**

**For Action**

The Clerk recommends that the moderator declare that a quorum is present if the following provisions are met:

Bylaws, Article IV, Structure, A. SYNOD ASSEMBLY, 9. Quorum

*A quorum of the Synod Assembly shall be **sixteen (16) commissioners**, at least **eight** of whom shall be **ruling elders** and at least **eight** of whom shall be **teaching elders**, representing at least **five presbyteries**.*

**2. Adoption of the Agenda**

**For Action**

The Clerk recommends adoption of the Agenda as distributed for this meeting.

**3. Corresponding Members**

**For Action**

The Clerk recommends seating any corresponding members who may be present after they have introduced themselves.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The next group of items is recommended for approval as part of a consent agenda or omnibus motion, which provides for efficient action on items that are presumed to be routine and non-controversial. All items on the consent agenda can be approved with one motion. It is important to note that any one commissioner can request that any item be removed from the consent agenda. The request does not require a second. Questions for clarification about any item may be raised without removing it from the agenda, but if a commissioner wishes to debate any item on the consent agenda it should be removed from the consent agenda.

**4. Appointment of Journal Clerk**

**For Action**

The Clerk recommends approval of the appointment of Fried Wilson as Journal Clerk.

**5. New board members for PCCCI**

**For Action**

RE Shelley Randles (SG), TE Paul Knopf (RS-second term), TE Erin Thomas (RS-second term)

The following items are for informational purposes only:

**6. A Committee was appointed to approve the minute of Dec. 2 meeting**

**For Information**

The Committee met on February 9 and approved the minutes of the December 2, 2017 Assembly to be submitted to the General Assembly for the Synod Minute Review on March 5-7, 2018. We thank Susan Skoglund, Janice Takeda, Martha Kadue, Jim Stueck, Joshua Yee and Sue Currie for their work.

I am happy to report that our 2016 and 2017 minutes were approved without any exceptions during Synod Minute Reviews. We thank Fried Wilson for his diligent work.

**7. Report of the Synod Permanent Judicial Commission (PJC) For Information**

Two pending cases have been granted Continuance  
Palisades v. Presbytery of the Pacific (until April 19, 2018)  
Spitzer v. Presbytery of Riverside (until June 15, 2018)

**8. Permanent Judicial Commission Roster For Information**

The Stated Clerk as required by the Book of Order at D-5.0206b reports the names of the following members of the Synod Permanent Judicial Commission whose terms have expired in the last six years.

<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2015</u>	<u>Class of 2013</u>
RE Marie Castellano	TE. Daryl Fisher-Ogden	HR Paul Bang-uk Chun
TE Mickie Choi	RE Curtis McKee	TE Ann Hayman
TE Peter Hintzoglou	RE Chuck Wakamoto	RE Linda Therien
RE Larry Lindsay		

**9. Report on Related Entities For Information**

The Rev. Rick Harrison is retiring in May as the president of Presbyterian Camp and Conference Centers, Inc. (PCCCI). We thank him for many years of service.  
The Board has decided to hire Mr. Nery Vara as the director for Big Bear Conference Center. We want to thank Carol Stanley, Bill Hughes, Bob White, Paul Knopf, Erin Thomas, Roger Kahle, and Shelley Randles for their service on this board.

**10. Synod Manual of Operations For Information**

The Synod has a manual of operations, a sexual misconduct policy, and a protection policy for children and youth as required by G-3.0106

**11. Insurance Coverage For Information**

The Synod has property and liability insurance coverage as required by G-3.0112.

**12. Synod Meetings in 2018 For Information**

The Assembly will meet Saturday, November 3, at an appropriate location.

The Commission of Assembly will meet at the Synod office on Saturday, June 30 and Saturday, September 29.

## **Synod of Southern California and Hawaii Summary of the 2017 Fall Assembly**

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### **Actions taken by the Assembly include the following:**

1. Approved the 2018 Synod budgets which included a 3% cost of living salary increase for the staff members
2. Elected RE Bill Hughes of Santa Barbara Presbytery to a second term as Synod Treasurer and elected TE Joshua Yee of Presbytery of the Pacific as Vice Moderator.
3. Elected new members to the Permanent Judicial Commission: TE Lee Ireland (Riverside Presbytery), TE John Langfitt (San Fernando Presbytery), and RE Linda Therien (San Diego Presbytery).
4. Elected new members to the Polity and Records Committee: RE Martha Kadue (Presbytery of the Pacific), RE Carole Ostrander (San Diego Presbytery) and RE Don Reiersen (Riverside Presbytery).
5. Approved new members of the boards of the Synod's Related Entities – Presbyterian Camp and Conference Centers, Inc.; Zephyr Point Conference Center and Monte Vista Grove Homes.

### **Other highlights of the Assembly included:**

1. Heard a report on the work of the Presbyterian Mission Agency from Rene Myers, PMA Mission Engagement Advisor for the PC(USA) western synods.
2. Heard and/or received reports from the Racial Ethnic Pastoral Leadership Program (REPL); Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation Work Group (JPIC), Presbyterian Women, Presbyterian Camp and Conference Centers, Inc., Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center, the Commission of Assembly and the Committee on Representation and Nominations.
3. Heard a report on the Synod's investment accounts with the New Covenant Trust Company, New Covenant Funds and the Presbyterian Foundation Endowment Fund.
4. Installed Susan Skoglund as Synod Moderator and Joshua Yee as Vice Moderator for 2018 as part of a service of remembrance for the 14 people killed and 22 others seriously injured in the terrorist attack at the Inland Regional Center in San Bernardino, California, on December 2, 2015.

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## **Report to Synod Assembly from Presbyterian Women in the Synod**

**April 14, 2018**

Registration is open online for the Presbyterian Women Churchwide Triennial Gathering from August 2 -5, 2018. The gathering will return to Louisville for the first time since 2009. The location will be the Galt House. The theme "Arise, shine, your light has come!" was inspired by Isaiah 60:1. The cost is \$425 for the full gathering. Rooms start at \$144 plus tax per night. The gathering will be preceded by a business meeting with representation from Presbytery and Synod Coordinating teams. The gathering will celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the current iteration of Presbyterian Women.

Presbyterian Women in the Synod (PWS) will hold a spring gathering on June 2, 2018, to commission those who will attend the gathering and to elect new leadership. Our gathering will be at Northminster Presbyterian Church in Diamond Bar. The program will feature a Day of Action with some hands on mission activity that will support the churchwide "Educate a Child" theme for this triennium. The registration flyer for the gathering is attached.

PWS held its second World Day of Prayer service at San Bernardino First Presbyterian Church on March 2, 2018. The service entitled "God's Creation is Very Good" was written by the women of Suriname and was based on Genesis 1: 1-31. We hope to make this an annual event with the locations rotated among the Presbyteries. Last years' service featuring the Philippines was held in Pacific Presbytery in Wilmington, the largest Filipino congregation in the PCUSA.

At this year's General Assembly, PW's national moderator, Carol Winkler will be a corresponding member after the GA vote in 2016 authorizing this change. She will have voice at the assembly. PW, Inc., was added to the Presbyterian Mission Agency Organization for Mission during the 2016 Assembly as well.

The 2018-2019 PW Bible study has been sent to those who subscribe to Horizons magazine. Authored by Amy Poling Sutherlun, the study is entitled *God's Promise I Am with You*. Next year's study is written by Eugenia Gamble on the Ten Commandments. Eugenia who is from Santa Barbara Presbytery will be featured at our 2019 summer conference at Chapman University.

Kelsey Law, PWS Coordinating Team Member at Large for Mission, attended the Commission on the Status of Women at the United Nations as an official member of the PCUSA delegation. She attended the official opening of the event as well as a number of side events. The theme for this session was Empowering Rural Women and Girls. Our delegation is part of the Ecumenical Women at the United Nations. Kelsey found the event to be transformative and recommends that we continue to support sending a representative through our PWS Coordinating Team. We still have work to do to come close to meeting the goals set for 2020. The Coordinating Team will also have two of its members attending Ecumenical Advocacy Days in April.