

Reports for Commission of Assembly

Saturday June 3, 2023

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The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
COMMISSION OF ASSEMBLY
June 3, 2023 (Zoom)

9:30 a.m. Open with Prayer & Welcome – Janine Tanahuvia

Report of Synod Stated Clerk – Mark Hong
Declaration of Quorum
Seating of Corresponding Members and Visitors
Approval of the Agenda
Approval of Commission of Assembly minutes of March 4, 2023

Report of Synod Treasurer / Susan Skoglund

Report from the Committee on Representation and Nomination / David Won

Report from Partner Grant Committee / Paul Knopf

Request from the National Black Presbyterian Caucus-SoCal Chapter

Decision on 2023 Assembly on December 2.

Other Business

Report of Synod Executive – Mark Hong

11:30 or before Adjourn with prayer

Members of the Commission of Assembly – 2023 (19)

5 Synod Officers	RE Chair of Commission of Assembly / Janine Tanahuvia (SF) TE Moderator of Assembly / John Moser (SD) RE Vice-Moderator of Assembly / Yvonne Harmon (SG) RE Synod Treasurer / Susan Skoglund (RS) TE Synod Stated Clerk / Mark Hong (LR)	
4 Elected Synod Commissioners	RE Sue Currie (LR) RE Frances Lin (SD) TE N'Yisrela Watts-Afryie (SG) (Vacant)	
3 Elected BIPOC Representatives	TE Joseph Shin (LR) TE Jpetul J'ernantes (SD) (Vacant)	
7 Presbytery Executive or Designee	TE Juan Sarmiento (SF) TE Linda Culbertson (PA) TE Jason Micheli (SB) TE Sean Chow (SD)	TE Tom Cramer (LR) TE Lee Ireland (RS) TE Wendy Tajima (SG)
2 Ecclesiastical Representatives	RE Sandy Thoits (chair of Polity and Records) TE David Won (chair of Representation and Nomination)	

Assisted by Heidi Worthen Gamble and Joanne Yi-Bortfeld

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii

COMMISSION OF ASSEMBLY

June 3, 2023

REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK

Mark Hong

- 1. Quorum** **For Action**
Recommendation: A quorum is declared present if a majority of the Commission members are present (this would mean 10 of the 19 members are present, five presbyteries are represented, and four ruling elders and four teaching elders are present.)
- 2. Seating of Corresponding Members and Visitors** **For Action**
- 3. Approval of the Agenda** **For Action**
Recommendation: The agenda be approved as presented.
- 4. Approval of the Minutes** **For Action**
Recommendation: The minute of the Commission of Assembly meeting of March 4, 2023 be approved as distributed.
- 5. Corporate Officers for 2023** **For Information**

President and Commission of Assembly Chair	RE Janine Tanahuvia (SF)
Stated Clerk and Corporate Secretary	TE Mark Hong (LR)
Treasurer	RE Susan Skoglund (RS)
Moderator	TE John Moser (SD)
Vice-Moderator	RE Yvonne Harmon (SG)
- 6. 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.

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TE Robert Wendel	RE Peter Lee	TE Mickie Choi
RE Janice Takeda	RE Izar Martinez	TE Peter Hintzoglou
	RE Pat Niles	

There is a pending Remedial Case received from Riverside.
- 7. Riverside EP Search Committee has concluded its work and will be presenting the candidate during its meeting on June 17.**
- 8. The Memorial Service for Kay Gustafson will take place 11 am, on June 10 (Sat) at St. Mark Presbyterian Church in Newport Beach.**

9. Synod hosted nine guests from the PMA, OGA, and the Foundation. The Listening Session was held on May 23 at Union Church of Los Angeles, attended by leaders from the Presbyteries.
10. The decisions made via electronic voting on donating \$10,000 to Riverside to aid churches recovering from the snowstorms and the decision on retaining Bob Brockman to represent us will be recorded in today's minutes.
11. We have retained the legal services of Bob Brockman and his firm BQB to represent us on three cases. We are sharing his services with Los Ranchos on two cases. We thank Sue Currie for agreeing to serve as a case manager to review future billings.

12. Dates for 2023 Meetings

For Information

The Commission of Assembly: October 7, and December 9 (if necessary)

The Assembly: December 2 (Sat)

SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HAWAII
COMMISSION OF ASSEMBLY
Regular Meeting
Audio-Visual Conference via Zoom.com
Saturday, March 4, 2023

CONVENE The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Commission of Assembly Chair RE Janine Tanahuvia and opened with prayer.

ROLL Those present (P), absent (A), or excused (E) are indicated below. All in attendance were by video conference:

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

P RE Chair-CoA – Janine Tanahuvia (SF)
E TE SMOD – John Moser (SD)
P RE SVMOD –Yvonne Harmon (SG)
E RE Synod Treasurer - Susan Skoglund (RS)
P TE SC/SE – Mark Hong (LR)

Commissioner Members

P RE Sue Currie – LR
P RE Frances Lin – SD +
P TE N'Yisrela Watts-Afriyie – SG

BIPOC Representatives

P Jpetul J'ernantes (SD)
E Joseph Shin (LR)

P-Present A-Absent E-Excused

Presbytery Executives/Designees

P TE Jason Micheli – SB
E TE Juan Sarmiento – SF
P TE– Sean Chow – SD
P TE Linda Culbertson – PA
P TE Lee Ireland – RS
P TE Wendy Tajima – SG +
P TE Tom Cramer/RE Pat Niles* – LR

Ecclesiastical Chairs

P TE David Won PA - CoRN
P RE Sandy Thoits SB – Polity & Records

Also Present

P TE Heidi Worthen Gamble–Synod Staff
P Joanne Yi-Bortfeld–Synod Staff
E TE Narcissis Tucker Bishop–Synod Staff
P RE Monica Colonnier--Chair of Special and Restricted Funds Cmtee
P TE Ann Hayman, JPIC chair

* designee

+ serving in dual capacities

OPENING PRAYER	RE Chair-CoA Janine Tanahuvia opened the meeting with prayer and introductions.
REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK	TE SC/SE Mark Hong reported that a quorum was present, and the Chair declared that a quorum was present: a quorum being that 10 of the 19 members are present, 5 presbyteries are represented, and there are four ruling elders and four teaching elders present.
AGENDA	It was VOTED to approve the agenda, as amended (request for a report from Special Funds and Restricted Funds Committee to come first on the docket).
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	It was VOTED to approve the Commission of Assembly meeting minutes of October 1, 2022, with corrections (request to make RE/TE designations uniform).
SEATING OF CORRESPONDING MEMBERS	There were no Corresponding Members to receive for this meeting.

CORPORATE OFFICERS

Corporate Officers for 2023

President and Commission of Assembly Chair	RE Janine Tanahuvia
Vice President and Moderator	TE John Moser
Vice Moderator	RE Yvonne Harmon
Stated Clerk and Corporate Secretary	TE Mark Hong
Treasurer	RE Susan Skoglund

Dates for 2023 CoA Meetings:

June 3, October 7, and December 9 (if necessary)

Permanent Judicial Commission Roster

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TE Robert Wendel	RE Peter Lee	TE Mickie Choi
RE Janice Takeda	RE Izar Martinez	TE Peter Hintzoglou
	RE Pat Niles	

ORAL REPORT OF STATED CLERK

TE SC/SE Mark Hong gave an oral report re: a remedial complaint that came before the Synod that from San Fernando Presbytery. A Korean speaking congregation Han Yang Presbyterian Church decided to dissolve and the Presbytery of San Fernando authorized its closure, but a couple of members submitted a remedial complaint to the Synod. While the Synod was trying to handle that, they lodged a complaint to the General Assembly PJC. Since then, the Presbytery of San Fernando has sold the property. At this point it is a moot point; they have been silent for half a year. But wanted to let the CoA know of this case.

ELECTION OF
CORPORATE
OFFICERS
2023

Election of Corporate Officers for CoA for 2023. CoA recessed the regular CoA meeting to move into the meeting of the Corporation. RE Janine Tanahuvia opened the meeting of the Corporate Officers in prayer.

The Corporate Officers for 2023 are:

President and Commission of Assembly Chair: RE Janine Tanahuvia
Vice President and Moderator: TE John Moser
Vice Moderator: RE Yvonne Harmon
Stated Clerk and Corporate Secretary: TE Mark Hong
Treasurer: RE Susan Skoglund

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It was VOTED to approve the Corporate Officers of the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii for 2023.

REPORT OF
THE
SPECIAL
AND RESTRICTED
FUNDS
COMMITTEE

TE U # reported that last November a small subcommittee (Sam Roberts, Monica Colonnier, and Mark Hong) initially reviewed the Special and Restricted Funds applications, instructions and guidelines for those wanting to make grant requests. In late February, the Committee met and made further revisions. The revisions are in the ADDENDUM that CoA received.

Motion from the committee: To approve the revised application for the use of Special and Restricted Funds and the revised Application Instructions and Guidelines.

There was much discussion about question #1 on page 2 of the guidelines that asks, "Does the project meet the restrictions for an available fund?" because of the difficulty to know what restricted funds are available.

A motion was moved and seconded to amend to the original motion, to delete question #1 on page 2 of the guidelines, "Does the project meet the restrictions for an available fund?" It was VOTED to APPROVE the amendment.

There was also clarification asked of question #2 on page 2 of the guidelines. What is meant by, "What is the degree of Presbyterian involvement"? TE Monica explained that it meant that it has to be supported by two different presbyteries.

A motion was moved and seconded to amend the original motion, to change question #2 on page 2 of the guidelines from, "What is the degree of Presbyterian involvement?" to "What is the degree of PRESBYTERY involvement?" It was VOTED to APPROVE the amendment.

It was described that now the CoA needed to vote on the amended process.

It was moved and seconded to approve the revised application for the use of Special and Restricted Funds and the revised Application Instructions and Guidelines, with the two amendments. It was VOTED to APPROVE the motion.

REPORT OF THE
SYNOD
TREASURER

TE Wendy Tajima gave the report in lieu of RE Susan Skoglund, explaining that this is the 2022 year-end financial report. The Synod holds quite a bit of investments and it looks like we had a deficit of \$2,853,000 but actually \$2,858,000 from what was lost against our investments in 2022. The perspective over the long haul however is that the Synod has had many years of sizable gains.

There was a total net operating income of \$4,493, which is for the operations of the Synod, which is a slight surplus. In the detailed profit and loss section, the actuals came in for per capita at almost \$97,000, and the Synod has not always enjoyed that amount of support. Also, the 55570 Wilshire Properties Reserve Fund which funds the operations of the Synod was not as much was withdrawn as was expected to be in the budget.

Under "Congregational Partnering Grants", all of the presbyteries but two are under \$150,000, so at some point we may want to replenish that fund. There are many funds with donor restrictions on it in the "Special and Restricted Funds". Some of the lines are shaded pink because those particular funds have very specific designations and are not open for use by the Special and Restricted Funds committee grants. As an example, there is a small amount left for the Black Advisory Committee, which should be moved to NBPC/SC.

There is a last line which is very temporary \$605,992.39, which represents some CDs with PILP that were getting a rather low interest rate, matured at the end of 2022. The Finance Committee voted to move them to Charles Schwab CDs in January 2023. The Synod also maintained some investments in PILP that still had church loans with them but newly reinvested them in PILP CDs that are getting 2.55% instead of .55%; the Charles Schwab CDs are getting 4.6-4.7%.

There was discussion re: the small restricted funds that nobody is using anymore. The goal was that the Special and Restricted Funds should pass on these funds and go through that list. RE Pat Niles remembered a past CoA meeting (perhaps fall 2022) that CoA had asked the Special and Restricted Funds committee to bring a recommendation back to CoA at the June 2023 meeting. It was asked that TE SC/SE Mark convey that to RE Monica .

It was moved and seconded that the preliminary year-end Financial Report be received. It was VOTED to APPROVE the motion.

It was moved and seconded to receive the 2021 Financial Review. It was VOTED to APPROVE the motion.

MOTION FROM
THE CORPORATE
OFFICERS

The officers gathered and determined to bring a motion to CoA regarding a donation of \$50,000 to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance's Turkey/Syria Earthquake Relief, from the Unrestricted Reserves.

A motion from the Corporate Officers does not need a second.

It was VOTED to APPROVE the motion from the Corporate Officers.

OTHER BUSINESS	<p>TE Lee Ireland brought two motions prior to the CoA meeting in an effort to make forms available to everyone online.</p> <p>The Motions are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Synod staff be directed to post on the Synod website all grant application forms with information on how to apply for grants. 2. The Synod staff be directed to post the CoA meeting packet on the Synod website prior to each meeting and to post the Synod Assembly packet prior to its meeting. <p>Discussion ensued on the importance of passcode-protection of CoA meeting packet, and adding an archive of minutes from prior CoA and Synod Assembly meetings.</p> <p>An amendment to #2 motion was made: "The Synod staff be directed to post the CoA meeting packet on the Synod website prior to each meeting and to post minutes from prior meetings, with password-protection." The amendment was moved and seconded. It was VOTED to APPROVE an amendment to #2 motion.</p>
MOMENT OF PRIVILEGE	<p>TE SC/SE Mark Hong requested a 3-month sabbatical summer of 2023 to study Korean church history and Korean history. It was requested that TE SC/SE Mark meet with the Personnel Committee to find a Temporary Stated Clerk to replace TE SC/SE Mark Hong before going on sabbatical.</p> <p>A motion was moved and seconded to allow TE Stated Clerk and Synod Executive Mark Hong to take a 3-month sabbatical the summer of 2023 with \$3,000 out of the Stated Clerk/Synod Executive's budgeted continuing education fund. It was VOTED to APPROVE the motion.</p> <p>TE SC/SE Mark Hong reported that Presbyterian Mission Agency Executive Director Rev. Dr. Diane Moffett will have a Listening Session with the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii on May 23rd. She will preach at Pacific Presbytery's meeting on May 20th and at St. Mark's Presbyterian Church in Newport Beach on May 21st. TE SC/SE Mark also asked for prayers for Fried Wilson, former Business Manager, scheduled to have prostate surgery on March 9th. He also asked for prayer for Kay Gustafson, longtime attorney for the Synod and many Presbyteries, who was recently moved to hospice care for colon cancer.</p>
MEETING ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSING PRAYER	<p>TE Lee Ireland asked for prayers for Big Bear and Lake Arrowhead with recent record snowfall and said they have contacted Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for help during this time.</p> <p>A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. It was moved and seconded. It was VOTED to APPROVE the motion.</p>

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii

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The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2022

	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
10110 Operating Chase 2956	264,000.77
10120 Restricted - Chase 3380085208	679,998.35
Total 1000 Cash & Cash Equivalents	<u>943,999.12</u>
10200 Short Term Investments	
10220 Presbyterian Investment & Loan Program	612,594.00
Total 10200 Short Term Investments	<u>612,594.00</u>
Total Bank Accounts	1,556,593.12
Other Current Assets	
12000 Prepaid Expenses	589.00
13001 Accounts Receivable-Others	34,433.05
Total Other Current Assets	<u>35,022.05</u>
Total Current Assets	1,591,615.17
Other Assets	
20000 Long Term Assets	
21000 Notes Receivables/Mortgage Grants	
21100 Notes Receivable	52,975.63
Total 21000 Notes Receivables/Mortgage Grants	<u>52,975.63</u>
22000 Unrestricted Investments - NCF	
22100 Unrestricted Reserve 1075491	774,557.99
22200 Ecclesiastical Reserve 107018	27,073.63
22300 Oiko Credit 109100000069	100,000.54
Total 22000 Unrestricted Investments - NCF	<u>901,632.16</u>
23000 Unrestricted Investments- NCT Council Assigned	
23100 NCTC - Wilshire Reserve 506083000164	4,217,785.80
Total 23000 Unrestricted Investments- NCT Council Assigned	<u>4,217,785.80</u>
24000 Temporarily Restricted Investments NCF	
24100 Church Development Fund 1038031	3,609,843.63
24200 Southern California Foundation 1060390	246,577.80
24300 Langlie Fund 1033134	30,235.96
24400 Edwards Fund 1033232	25,756.93
24500 Life Income Plans - Paid in Lump Sums	23,171.06
Total 24000 Temporarily Restricted Investments NCF	<u>3,935,585.38</u>
25000 Permanently Restricted Funds	
25100 Pooled Presbyterian Foundation Accounts	3,171,325.41
25200 Life Income Plans - Est. Permanent Funds	21,043.24
Total 25000 Permanently Restricted Funds	<u>3,192,368.65</u>
27000 Fixed Assets	
Total 20000 Long Term Assets	<u>12,300,347.62</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>12,300,347.62</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>13,891,962.79</u>

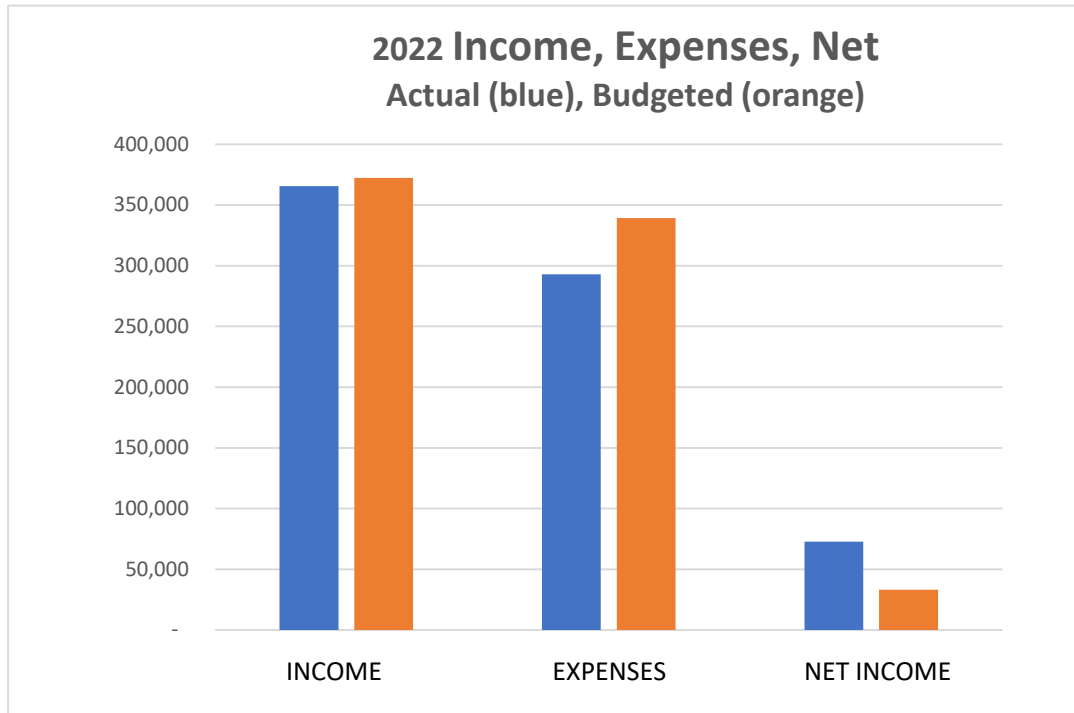
The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2022

	<u>Total</u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
31200 Vacation / PTO Accrual	8,057.26
31300 Flexible Spending Account	1,699.16
31400 403-B Payable	12,500.00
31500 Funds Held in Trust	79,874.64
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>102,131.06</u>
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Total Liabilities	102,131.06
Equity	
40000 Net Assets	
41000 Unrestricted Net Assets	334,922.08
42000 Unrestricted Net Assets - Council Designated	5,485,911.35
43000 Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	6,295,398.69
44000 Permanently Restricted Assets	<u>2,990,762.02</u>
Total 40000 Net Assets	15,106,994.14
Opening Balance Equity	29,976.67
Retained Earnings	1,506,543.77
Net Income	<u>(2,989,340.17)</u>
Total Equity	<u>13,654,174.41</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>13,756,305.47</u>

12-31-22 P&L Summary Information

Q4-22 YTD Operating Income, Expenses, Net

	Actual	Budget
Total Income	748,662	436,901
Total Expenses	744,170	496,400
Net Income	4,493	(59,499)



Category Comparisons:

	Q4 Actual	Q4 Budget
Income		
Capita	96,906	77,206
Total 55000 Restrict Program Funds	414,629	62,200
Total 55580 Revenue for General Use	237,127	297,495
TOTAL INCOME	748,662	436,901
Expenses (negative)		
Program Services	21,279	31,200
Foundation Pass	396,882	62,200
Total 62100 Payroll	271,748	304,110
Total Operating/Meeting/Prof/Spec Pgm Expenses	54,260	98,890
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	744,170	496,400
TOTAL NET OPERATING INCOME	4,493	(59,499)
Total 70000 Other Restricted Revenue	2,858,176	0
Total 80000 Other Transfers	0	0
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,602,345	496,400
NET INCOME/(NET LOSS)	(2,853,683)	(59,499)

The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Budget vs. Actuals: 2022 Budget - FY22 P&L
January - December 2022

	Actual	Budget	Remaining	% Remaining
Income				
52000 Per Capita				
52100 Los Ranchos	24,638.25	24,639.00	0.75	0%
52110 Pacific	22,925.96	23,846.00	920.04	4%
52120 Riverside	7,863.15	7,863.00	(0.15)	0%
52130 San Fernando	12,050.00	12,050.00		0%
52140 San Gabriel	9,704.25	12,939.00	3,234.75	25%
52150 Santa Barbara	3,643.39	10,403.00	6,759.61	65%
52160 San Diego	16,081.22	25,240.00	9,158.78	36%
52990 Uncollectible PCA		(39,774.00)	(39,774.00)	100%
Total 52000 Per Capita	96,906.22	77,206.00	(19,700.22)	-26%
55110 Chaplaincy-PF Olmstead	26,509.18	26,500.00	(9.18)	0%
55120 JPIC	710.32	3,000.00	2,289.68	76%
55130 LEF REPL	17,606.25	5,000.00	(12,606.25)	-252%
55140 Unrestricted Reserve 1075491	59,000.00		(59,000.00)	
55151 Partnering Grant	284,000.00		(284,000.00)	
55160 Foundation Pass Through Grants	26,803.20	27,700.00	896.80	3%
55580 General Fund Use				
50110 Investment Dividend/Interest	3,808.40	3,000.00	(808.40)	-27%
54000 Misc Inc		400.00	400.00	100%
55560 Dividend from Foundation for General Fund	8,318.89	8,800.00	481.11	5%
55570 Wilshire Properties Reserve Fund	225,000.00	344,794.00	119,794.00	35%
Total 55580 General Fund Use	237,127.29	356,994.00	119,866.71	34%
Total Income	748,662.46	496,400.00	(252,262.46)	-51%
Gross Profit	748,662.46	496,400.00	(252,262.46)	-51%
Expenses				
61000 Program Services				
61100 JPIC		3,000.00	3,000.00	100%
61200 Racial Ethnic Pastoral Leadership	11,500.00	5,000.00	(6,500.00)	-130%
61300 Chaplaincy Consortium	26,500.00	26,500.00	-	0%
61710 Witness for Peace	11,342.22	12,000.00	657.78	5%
61720 Union Station Foundation	7,217.78	7,300.00	82.22	1%
61730 Franciscan Friars JPIC	7,217.78	7,300.00	82.22	1%
61740 La Casa de SG Comm Center	587.44	600.00	12.56	2%
61750 Presbyterian Women	448.72	500.00	51.28	10%
Total 61000 Program Services	64,813.94	62,200.00	(2,613.94)	-4%
72600 Grants			-	
61800 KPC Grant	4,680.00		(4,680.00)	
72602 Chaplaincy Consortium	13,594.64		(13,594.64)	
72605 Other Grants	59,793.76		(59,793.76)	
61400 Partnering Grants	254,000.00		(254,000.00)	
Total 72600 Grants	332,068.40	-	(332,068.40)	
62100 Payroll			-	
62110 Salaries & Wages - Administrative	193,188.64	211,000.00	17,811.36	8%
62111 Salaries & Wages -REPL	7,610.88	7,610.00	(0.88)	0%
62120 Pension & Medical	61,457.46	68,600.00	7,142.54	10%
62130 FICA	6,452.94	8,000.00	1,547.06	19%

The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Budget vs. Actuals: 2022 Budget - FY22 P&L
January - December 2022

	Actual	Budget	Remaining	% Remaining
62140 Workers Compensation	3,038.00	3,500.00	462.00	13%
62150 Study Leave		5,400.00	5,400.00	100%
Total 62100 Payroll	271,747.92	304,110.00	32,362.08	11%
62300 Operating Expenses			-	
62310 Office Supplies	813.69	900.00	86.31	10%
62315 Postage & Delivery	271.62	400.00	128.38	32%
62320 Communication	2,784.88	4,800.00	2,015.12	42%
62325 Equip Maint		500.00	500.00	100%
62330 Equipment Leases	10,673.81	7,000.00	(3,673.81)	-52%
62333 Equipment Purchased	740.72	1,000.00	259.28	26%
62335 Rent	1,840.00	1,740.00	(100.00)	-6%
62345 Gen Liab & Prop Ins	2,148.00	2,500.00	352.00	14%
62350 Taxes, Licenses & Fees		600.00	600.00	100%
62355 Dues & Subscriptions	129.63	200.00	70.37	35%
62515 Bank	175.00	100.00	(75.00)	-75%
62990 Miscellaneous Expenses	148.75	500.00	351.25	70%
Total 62300 Operating Expenses	19,726.10	20,240.00	513.90	3%
62400 Meetings			-	
62360 Exec Mileage & Travel	16,296.07	22,000.00	5,703.93	26%
62370 Employee Mile & Travel	1,691.41	3,000.00	1,308.59	44%
62402 REPL		100.00	100.00	100%
62403 COA		300.00	300.00	100%
62404 Work Groups		200.00	200.00	100%
62405 Polity & Records		200.00	200.00	100%
62406 Committee on Rep & Nominations		200.00	200.00	100%
62407 Permanent Judicial Commission		500.00	500.00	100%
62409 Synod Assembly		1,000.00	1,000.00	100%
62410 General Assembly		5,000.00	5,000.00	100%
62411 Synod Moderator Training & Travel	300.00	1,600.00	1,300.00	81%
Total 62400 Meetings	18,287.48	34,100.00	15,812.52	46%
62550 Professional Services				
62500 Audit		7,800.00	7,800.00	100%
62510 Legal	3,087.50	12,000.00	8,912.50	74%
62520 Technical Support		600.00	600.00	100%
62551 Payroll Fee	2,505.63	3,000.00	494.37	16%
62552 Website Maintenance	3,250.00	3,150.00	(100.00)	-3%
62553 Hardware & Software Maintenance	1,403.75	4,000.00	2,596.25	65%
62800 Training & Conference	6,000.00	14,000.00	8,000.00	57%
Total 62550 Professional Services	16,246.88	44,550.00	28,303.12	64%
62750 Special Program				
61600 Missioninsite	8,979.00	9,000.00	21.00	0%
62700 Gift	300.00	2,500.00	2,200.00	88%
62710 Monte Vista Grove Fndraiser		1,200.00	1,200.00	100%
62751 Presbytery of Pacific - HI Delegates		6,500.00	6,500.00	100%
62752 Ecumenical (SCalForum)	12,000.00	12,000.00	-	0%
Total 62750 Special Program	21,279.00	31,200.00	9,921.00	32%

The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Budget vs. Actuals: 2022 Budget - FY22 P&L
January - December 2022

	Actual	Budget	Remaining	% Remaining
70000 Restricted/Unrestricted Special Programs				
55565 Restricted Dividend/Interest	(19,846.76)		19,846.76	
61541 Unrestricted Reserve	(46,998.63)		46,998.63	
70115 Investment - Pooled and Unitrust Funds	7,289.60		(7,289.60)	
70125 PLIP McKee Funds	(4,994.60)		4,994.60	
70130 Wilshire Properties Reserve Funds	(50,333.03)		50,333.03	
70135 Revenue Reinvested-Gen And Adm	(202.25)		202.25	
70150 Revenue Reinvested - Langlie Fund	1,891.98		(1,891.98)	
70155 Revenue Reinvested - Edwards Fund	5,071.87		(5,071.87)	
70160 Reinvested Revenue - So Cal Foundation	52,616.09		(52,616.09)	
76000 Unrealized Gain (Loss) On Investment			-	
70120 Church Development Fund	1,059,594.56		(1,059,594.56)	
76100 Unrestricted Investments	246,865.34		(246,865.34)	
76110 Unrestricted-Council Assigned Investments	1,064,447.27		(1,064,447.27)	
76130 Permanently Restricted Investments	542,774.15		(542,774.15)	
Total 76000 Unrealized Gain (Loss) On Investment	2,913,681.32		(2,913,681.32)	
Total 70000 Restricted/Unrestricted Special Programs	2,858,175.59		(2,858,175.59)	
Total Expenses	3,602,345.31	496,400.00	(3,105,945.31)	-626%
Net Operating Income	(2,853,682.85)	-	2,853,682.85	
Net Income	(2,853,682.85)	-	2,853,682.85	

**Synod of Southern California Hawaii
Congregational Partnering Grant as of
December 31, 2022**

	Totals	Los Ranchos	San Fernando	San Gabriel	Riverside	San Diego	Santa Barbara	Pacific
Fund allocation	2,400,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00
Additional approved fund allocation	1,200,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00
Reallocation of Hanmi Funds	-	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
Sub-totals	3,600,000.00	480,000.00	480,000.00	480,000.00	480,000.00	480,000.00	480,000.00	480,000.00
Fund usage/allotment:								
2015 Grants								
Paso Robles project	(300,000.00)						(300,000.00)	
Taiwanese PC NCD	(20,000.00)					(20,000.00)		
Hispanic/Multi Ethnic NCD	(75,000.00)					(75,000.00)		
Amchor City Church NCD	(50,000.00)					(50,000.00)		
Faith United PC	(300,000.00)		(150,000.00)	(150,000.00)				
Woodland Hills Transformation	(70,000.00)		(70,000.00)					
Valle de Antelope NCD	(80,000.00)		(80,000.00)					
Multicultural Youth LB NCD	(50,000.00)	(50,000.00)						
African American NCD	(90,000.00)	(90,000.00)						
Formosan NCD	(45,000.00)	(45,000.00)						
Korean 1.5/2.0 NCD	(50,000.00)	(50,000.00)						
Grace Multicultural Growth-LB	(65,000.00)	(65,000.00)						
French Valley NCD	(26,133.67)				(26,133.67)			
First Fontana NCD	(140,000.00)				(140,000.00)			
First PC-Altadena	(66,668.00)			(66,668.00)				
Camarillo NCD	(150,000.00)						(150,000.00)	
Pasadena PC-Vision of Hope	(24,000.00)			(24,000.00)				
Reclass to Chaplaincy Fund	(75,000.00)		(75,000.00)					
2015 Grants Allocation	(1,676,801.67)	(300,000.00)	(375,000.00)	(240,668.00)	(166,133.67)	(145,000.00)	(450,000.00)	-
2016 Grants								
Boyle Heights Mission Hub ck 1333	(15,000.00)	(15,000.00)						
Shower Ministry Garden Grove ck 1333	(20,000.00)	(20,000.00)						
Cyclical Los Ranchos ck 1333	(50,000.00)	(50,000.00)						
Anchor City Church ck 1165 issued 9/27/16	(25,000.00)					(25,000.00)		
2016 Grants Allocation	(110,000.00)	(85,000.00)	-	-	-	(25,000.00)	-	-
2017 Grants								
1st Inglewood	(10,000.00)							(10,000.00)
Westminster	(7,500.00)							(7,500.00)
Bridge at Union Church	(35,000.00)							(35,000.00)
1st Pres Altadena ck 1376 issued 3/14/17	(16,666.00)			(16,666.00)				
2017 Grants Allocation	(69,166.00)	-	-	(16,666.00)	-	-	-	(52,500.00)
2018 Grants								
Bridge at Union Church	(25,000.00)							(25,000.00)
Korean Hope Church ck 1624	(28,000.00)							
KIPC Artesia ck 1624	(25,000.00)							
Reclass to Chaplaincy Fund	(75,000.00)		(75,000.00)					
Confessing Korean Church ck 1683	(28,625.00)							
SB Mission Fair	(5,000.00)						(5,000.00)	
Joshua Initiative	(15,000.00)							(15,000.00)
CPG - Korean Good Shepherd PC ck 1746 issued 10/23/18	(45,000.00)							
CPG - Pasadena PC ck 1745 issued 10/23/18	(25,000.00)							
Korean United (PA)	(20,876.00)							
2018 Grant Allocation	(292,501.00)	-	(75,000.00)	-	-	-	(5,000.00)	(40,000.00)
2019 Grant								
P Korean United ck 1788 issued 2/25/19	(11,250.00)							
P Hosanna ck 1789 issued 2/25/19	(11,250.00)							
P Honolulu ck 1789 issued 2/25/19	(11,250.00)							
LR Community Bellflower ck 1787 issued 2/25/19	(11,250.00)							
LR Woori ck 1787 issued 2/25/19	(11,250.00)							
LR Orange Canaan ck 1787 issued 2/25/19	(11,250.00)							
SD Korean United ck 1853	(13,750.00)					(13,750.00)		
P Faith PC ck 1790 issued 2/25/19	(24,000.00)							(24,000.00)
P Bethesda ck 1790 issued 2/25/19	(10,000.00)							(10,000.00)
P Westminster ck 1790 issued 2/25/19	(10,000.00)							(10,000.00)
SD Ebenezer Church ck 1803 issued 3/13/19	(50,000.00)					(50,000.00)		
First Pres of Inglewood ck 1873 issued 7/16/19	(15,000.00)							(15,000.00)
2019 Grant Allocation	(190,250.00)	-	-	-	-	(63,750.00)	-	(59,000.00)
2020 Grant								
Korean ministry adjust to Chase Restricted	-							
SG Pasadena Presb Church Relaunch SLM ck 1960 1/17/20	(26,000.00)			(26,000.00)				
P of SD Anchor City Church (NWC)	(25,000.00)					(25,000.00)		
PoR Stonewall Ministries (NWC) matching grant	(15,000.00)				(15,000.00)			
PofP Faith Presbyterian Church (2nd Generation)	(20,000.00)							(20,000.00)
PofP Fund for Ministry Innovation - (Post pandemic 54 church & 2NWC)	(125,000.00)							(125,000.00)
Presbytery of San Gabriel - Rowland Height Pres	(24,000.00)			(24,000.00)				
2020 Grant Allocation	(235,000.00)	-	-	(50,000.00)	(15,000.00)	(25,000.00)	-	(145,000.00)
2021 Grant								
Presbytery of Pacific - NWC: Beloved Everybody Church 2/13/21	(15,000.00)							(15,000.00)
San Gabriel Presbytery Lincoln Corridor Pasadena (Altadena) 6/15/21	(50,000.00)			(50,000.00)				
2021 Grant Allocation	(65,000.00)	-	-	(50,000.00)	-	-	-	(15,000.00)
2022 Grant								
Presbytery of SD Cyclical San Diego - New Worshiping Communities	(50,000.00)	-	-	-	-	(50,000.00)	-	
First Presbyterian Church Redlands (Riverside Pby)	(120,000.00)	-	-	-	(120,000.00)	-	-	
Temple City NWC	(28,000.00)	-	-	(28,000.00)	-	-	-	
Interwoven NWC	(25,000.00)	-	-	(25,000.00)	-	-	-	
Fletcher Hills Presbyterian Church	(31,000.00)	-	-	-	-	(31,000.00)	-	
Westminster Presbyterian Church	(35,000.00)	-	-	-	-	(35,000.00)	-	
First Presbyterian Church, El Cajon	(45,000.00)	-	-	-	-	(45,000.00)	-	
2022 Grant Allocation	(334,000.00)	-	-	(53,000.00)	(120,000.00)	(161,000.00)	-	-
Total Allocated	(2,972,718.67)	(385,000.00)	(450,000.00)	(410,334.00)	(301,133.67)	(419,750.00)	(455,000.00)	(311,500.00)
Net Remaining Allocated Balance as of 12/31/22	627,281.33	95,000.00	30,000.00	69,666.00	178,866.33	60,250.00	25,000.00	168,500.00
Church Development Unallocated Balance	2,982,562.30							
Church Development Fund Balance at 12/31/22	3,609,843.63	17						

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii: Restricted, Named, Specific Funds
December 31, 2022

Fund ID	Fund Description	Available Funds - Chase	Market Value with PF 12/31/22	Fund Use
102240070798	Dorcas Davis Memorial Fund - 2002-30645		677,731.32	28% - JPIC; 28% - Union Station; 44% - Witness for Peace
102240004054	Elias Family Memorial Fund-34069		44,624.33	33% - Disaster Relief
New Covnt Fund	24300 Langlie Fund	12,409.85	30,235.96	67% - Neighborhood Centers, Campers, church day care center, hospital chaplaincies
102240006050	Black Advisory Committee Fund-38965	-	9,835.86	Any religious, charitable or hospital purposes--temp restricted
102240000222	Lillian McElhaney Memorial Fund-35416		17,406.35	Black Advisory Committee
102240005946	Olmstead Trust-38371	-	696,841.38	Capital Expense
102240070030	Elias Family Memorial Fund-34067		9,866.46	Chaplaincy Consortium
102240202290	Elias Family Memorial Fund-55976	5,835.95	54,035.03	Disaster Relief
102240202307	Elias Family Memorial Fund-57957		12,656.55	Disaster Relief
New Covnt Fund	24100 Church Development Fund		3,609,843.63	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.
102240000232	Marie D. Messick Memorial Fund-34273		18,008.92	For new church development--temp restricted
102240000352	Ralph M. and Beulah Speelman Memorial Fund-32993		10,721.25	General Fund
102240001001	The Alberta Fund-34447		2,717.52	General Fund
102240004070	Alfred A. and Jody Gregory Family Fund-34732		161,952.82	General Fund
102240070587	Samuel C. and Mildred L. Rue Fund-34457		31,994.59	General Fund
102241004023	Anonymous No. 8 - 2 of 3 - Southern California Fdtn- 32840		5,332.12	General Fund
Chase Account	Interest earned from savings account	411.04	-	General Fund
New Covnt Fund	22300 Oiko Credit		100,000.54	General Unrestricted
New Covnt Fund	22200 Ecclesiastical Reserve		27,073.63	General Unrestricted--"Fund 09 use only"
New Covnt Fund	22100 Unrestricted Reserve		774,557.99	General Use
New Covnt Fund	24400 Edwards Fund	1,761.50	25,756.93	Income for living Edwards heirs; deceased heirs inc to Synod operating use--temp rest
102240005383	Trinidad Salazar Memorial Fund-37116	198.11	20,845.52	Hispanic Ministry
102240101978	Rose M. Baguez Memorial Fund-36846	115.84	12,187.98	Hispanic Ministry
102240005891	Albert E. and Avanelle M. Smith Memorial Fund-36839	787.80	11,794.80	Hungry and homeless
Chase Account	JPIC	17,602.25		JPIC
Chase Account	Korean PC	6,340.47	-	Korean PC
102240100648	Betty W. Moore Memorial Fund-36299		11,082.90	La Casa de San Gabriel
102240101747	Choate - McClellan Family Memorial Fund-45632		6,460.57	La Casa de San Gabriel
102240202291	Elias Family Memorial Fund-55977	9,203.26	108,070.13	Neighborhood Centers, Campers, church daycare centers, hospital chaplaincies
102240202303	Elias Family Memorial Fund-57953		25,313.14	Neighborhood Centers, Campers, church daycare centers, hospital chaplaincies
102240070027	Elias Family Memorial Fund-34064		14,820.52	Neighborhood ctrs, Campers, church daycare ctrs, hospital chaplaincies, serv personnel
102240004787	O. Scott and Ila W. McFarland Memorial Fund-36521	264.32	13,917.05	Partnering Grant
Chase Account	PDA Contributions	292.01	-	PDA Contributions
102240101592	Albert E. and Avanelle M. Smith Memorial Fund-36832		8,975.89	Presbyterian Women of the Synod
102240000294	Francis Greenlee Memorial Fund-33403		8,822.89	REPL
Chase Account	Jim and Alice Furuya - REPL	9,898.96	-	REPL
102240005926	Racial Ethnic Pastoral Scholarship Fund-38372	8,231.04	151,706.70	REPL - Scholarship
New Covnt Fund	24200 Southern California Fund		246,577.80	Social Prog, Church Ext, Ministries/New Churches, Young ppl summer project--temp rest
New Covnt Trust	23100 Wilshire Property Reserve		4,217,785.80	Synod Assembly determines
Chase Account	SNAC Offering and Donations	1,453.92	-	Synod Native American Council (SNAC) Offering and Donations
102240004068	Alfred A. and Jody Gregory Fund-34730		102,857.87	Urban work
PILP	Temporary - Chase Savings	605,992.39		Funds transferred from PILP CD to Schwab CDs
Totals		680,798.71	11,282,412.74	

Pink totals	650,075.36	1,585,374.56
Available to Restricted and Special Funds Committee	30,723.35	9,697,038.18

SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND
HAWAII, PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
and
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

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Independent Accountant's Review Report

The Commission of Assembly
Synod of Southern California and Hawaii,
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
Los Angeles, California

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Synod of Southern California and Hawaii, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2021, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of company management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

We are required to be independent of Synod of Southern California and Hawaii, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and to meet our ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our review.

Accountant's Conclusion on the Financial Statements

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statement in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Supplementary Information

The supplementary information included on pages 15 and 16 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The information is the representation of management. We have reviewed the information and, based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the supplementary information in order for it to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have not audited the supplementary information and, accordingly, do not express an opinion on it.



Scott Krivis & Company

Woodland Hills, CA
February 24, 2023

**SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HAWAII,
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
December 31, 2021**

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions (Temporary)	With Donor Restrictions (Permanent)	Total
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 148,120	\$ 142,287	\$ -	\$ 290,407
Trust deed notes and grants receivables (Note 3)		52,976		52,976
Other receivables	20,479			20,479
Prepaid expenses	291			291
Due to/from other funds	(615,116)	858,390		243,274
Investments (Note 4)	6,331,369	6,245,181	3,714,100	16,290,650
Split-Interest agreements (Note 5)	-	28,724	25,795	54,519
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 5,885,143	\$ 7,327,558	\$ 3,739,895	\$ 16,709,322
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 93,957	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 93,957
TOTAL LIABILITIES	93,957	-	-	93,957
NET ASSETS				
Without donor restrictions:				
Unrestricted	3,473			3,473
Unrestricted - Council Designated	5,787,713			5,787,713
With donor restrictions:				
Temporary (Note 9)		7,327,558		7,327,558
Permanent (Note 10)			3,496,621	3,496,621
TOTAL NET ASSETS	5,791,186	7,327,558	3,496,621	16,615,365
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 5,885,143	\$ 7,327,558	\$ 3,496,621	\$ 16,709,322

See Independent Accountant's Review Report
The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HAWAII,
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)**

**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
December 31, 2021**

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions (Temporary)	With Donor Restrictions (Permanent)	Total
REVENUE AND SUPPORT				
Interest and dividend income	\$ 212,002	\$ 304,066	\$ -	\$ 516,068
Per capita apportionment	108,058			108,058
Contribution and grants	958	3,080		4,038
Net assets released from program restrictions	275,000	(275,000)		-
TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT	596,018.00	32,146.00	-	628,164.00
EXPENSES				
Program services:				
Church development	20,179.00			20,179.00
Related mission partners	97,831.00			97,831.00
Program services:				
Administration	367,084.00			367,084.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	485,094	-	-	485,094
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS BEFORE OTHER CHANGES	110,924	32,146	-	143,070
OTHER CHANGES				
Realized gain on investments	167,438			167,438
Unrealized gain on investments	557,627	434,217	383,253	1,375,097
Change in value of split-interest agreements		1,455	1,756	3,211
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	835,989	467,818	385,009	1,688,816
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	4,955,197	6,859,740	3,111,612	14,926,549
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 5,791,186	\$ 7,327,558	\$ 3,496,621	\$ 16,615,365

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**SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HAWAII,
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)**

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
Year ended December 31, 2021**

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Change in net assets	\$ 1,688,816
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to cash used by operating activities:	
Unrealized gain on investments	(1,375,097)
Unrealized gain on split-Interest agreements	(3,015)
(Increase) decrease in operating assets:	
Other receivables	23,813
Prepaid expenses	744
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	<u>2,681</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>337,942</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	
Purchase of investments, net	(285,884)
Change in trust deed notes and grants receivables	<u>(1,300)</u>
NET CASH USED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	<u>(287,184)</u>
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	50,758
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>239,649</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, FOR THE END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 290,407</u></u>

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**SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HAWAII,
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A)**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2021**

1. Organization

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A) ("the Synod"), is one of the sixteen regional governing bodies within the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A), and as such is exempt from federal income tax under the IRS code Section 501(C)(3). It is incorporated in the state of California as a not-for-profit organization and is exempt from state income tax. Within the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A), a synod is responsible for the mission of the church throughout the region.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A summary of the significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements is as follows:

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Accounting

To ensure observance of certain constraints and restrictions placed on the use of resources, the accounts of the Synod are maintained in accordance with the principles of net asset accounting. This is the procedure by which resources for various purposes are classified for accounting and for reporting purposes into net asset classes that are in accordance with specified activities or objectives. Accordingly, all financial transactions have been recorded and reported by net asset class as follows:

Net Assets

- a. **Net assets without donor restrictions** – net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations. SYNOD has two classes of net assets without donor-imposed restrictions: (1) unrestricted net assets and (2) unrestricted–council designated net assets.

Unrestricted. These generally result from revenues generated by receiving unrestricted contributions, providing services, and receiving interest from investments less expenses incurred in providing program-related services, raising contributions, and performing administrative functions.

Unrestricted-Council Designated. These are comprised of resources that the Synod Commission of Assembly established as being for future program and capital expansion and cash flow resources. For purposes of complying with net assets accounting, this fund is included in unrestricted net assets at December 31, 2020.

- b. **Net assets with donor restrictions** – net assets whose use is limited by donor-imposed time and/or purpose restrictions. SYNOD has two classes of net assets with donor-imposed restrictions: (1) temporarily restricted net assets and (2) permanently restricted net assets.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

Temporarily Restricted. The Synod reports gifts of cash and other assets as temporarily restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or the purpose of the restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the Statement of Activities as net assets released from program or capital restrictions.

Permanently Restricted. These net assets consist of contributions that are limited by donor-imposed stipulations to invest the principle in perpetuity but allow expenditure of the income.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Synod has defined cash and cash equivalents as cash in banks and certificates of deposits with an original maturity of three months or less.

Intentions to Give

Annually, the Synod determines the amount that each presbytery is to contribute to the Synod as its per capita payment. The amount is calculated from the total church membership figures of each presbytery as reported to the General Assembly. While a Presbytery is expected to make its full per capita payment, there is no legal requirement that they do so. Since these intentions to give do not meet the criteria for revenue recognition under generally accepted accounting principles, they are not reflected as contributions in the Statement of Activities until the per capita payments are collected.

Investments

Investments in money market funds and marketable securities are reported at their fair market values based upon published quotations. Investments for which the fair market values are not readily determinable are recorded at cost or, if received as a contribution, at their fair market values as determined at the time of the gift. Securities are generally held in custodial investment accounts administered by financial institutions. Money market funds held in securities institutions and not used for operations are included in investments.

Investment purchases and sales are accounted for on a trade - date basis. Realized gains and losses are calculated based upon the underlying cost of the securities traded. Interest and dividend income is recorded when earned. Gains and losses, and interest income, are reflected in the Statement of Activities (see Note 4).

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

Fair Value Measurements

Generally accepted accounting principles provide guidance on how fair value should be determined when financial statement elements required to be measured at fair value. Valuation techniques are ranked in three levels depending on the degree of objectivity of the inputs used with each level:

Level 1 inputs - quoted prices in active markets for identical assets

Level 2 inputs - quoted prices in active or inactive markets for the same or similar assets

Level 3 inputs - estimated using the best information available when there is little or no market

The Synod is required to measure pledge contributions, split-interest agreements, and certain investments at fair market value. The specific techniques used to measure fair value for these financial statement elements are described in the notes below that relate to each element.

Concentration of Credit Risks

The Synod places its temporary cash investments with high credit, quality financial institutions. At times, such investments may be in excess of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance limit. The Synod has not incurred losses related to these investments. Cash in one financial institution at December 31, 2021, was \$153,307. The account is not at risk.

The Synod holds investments in the form of equities, certificates of deposit, corporate bonds (fixed income), and money market accounts. Fair market values of the Synod's investments are routinely reviewed by the Synod's Commission of Assembly.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost if purchased or at fair value at the date of donation if donated. Depreciation is computed on the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. Maintenance and repair costs are charged to expense as incurred. Property and equipment are capitalized if the cost of an asset is greater than or equal to five hundred dollars and the useful life is greater than one year.

Income Taxes

The Synod is exempt from taxation under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(C)(3) and California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 23701d.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses as of the date and for the period presented. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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Subsequent Events

SYNOD has evaluated subsequent events through February 24, 2023, in connection with the preparation of these financial statements, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no events requiring disclosure as of this date.

3. Trust Deed Notes and Grants Receivables

Trust deed notes and grants receivables of \$51,676 represent funds advanced to churches and other approved religions and community organizations through the Synod's Church Development Fund. The trust deed notes are stated at the unpaid principal balances, less an allowance for doubtful receivables. The trust deed notes are collateralized by mortgages on the respective properties held and title is held by the Synod as a valid lien against the respective properties. Many of the trust deed notes have below market interest rates at the time of issuance and imputed interest is not being calculated on the unpaid principal over the term of the loan. Although interest calculations and prepayment terms have been previously identified in note agreements, the Synod has not always required strict adherence to those terms. As a result, interest is recorded on a received (cash) basis and an allowance has been provided for those trust deed notes which management considers doubtful based on their past due status. At its discretion, the Synod reclassifies some unpaid balances of the "trust deed notes" to "grants receivable" when the notes are determined by management to be completely uncollectible in the interim due to the borrowing church's inability to meet the repayment terms, or the church's deteriorating financial condition. Therefore, grants receivable represents unpaid principal balances that are subordinated liens on church properties and are expected to be repaid only upon church dissolution or sale of the church property.

4. Investments

Significant information about investments at December 31, 2021 is summarized as follows:

Equities	\$9,502,308
Certificates of deposit	1,213,592
Fixed income funds	5,439,903
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>134,846</u>
	<u>\$16,290,650</u>

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4. Investments, (continued)

Changes in investments for the year ended December 31, 2021 are as follows:

Beginning balance at January 1, 2021	\$14,629,670
Sale of investments, net	(54,730)
Unrealized gain on investments	1,355,498
Realized gain on investments	167,439
Interest and dividend income	498,605
Fees	(30,832)
Fund Transfers, net	<u>(275,000)</u>
Ending balance at December 31, 2021	<u>\$16,290,650</u>

5. Split-Interest Agreements

Certain individuals have pledged unconditional support in the split-interest agreements to be paid to the Synod at various, but yet undetermined, future dates. These agreements are managed and held by the Presbyterian Foundation ("the Foundation"), who provided the fair market value of these investments as of December 31, 2021. The split-interest agreements held by the Foundation at December 31, 2021 are as follows:

Distribution income lump sum	\$ 47,776
Pooled funds with charitable interest	<u>6,743</u>
	<u>\$ 54,519</u>

6. Fair Value Measurements

The table below presents the balances of assets measured at fair value at December 31, 2021 on a recurring basis:

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Equities	\$3,559,463	\$ -	\$ -	\$8,516,941
Fixed income funds	116,822			4,551,220
Split interest agreements	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,653</u>	<u>51,504</u>
	<u>\$ 13,068,161</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 51,504</u>	<u>\$13,119,665</u>

The fair value of equities has been measured on a recurring basis using quoted prices for identical assets in active markets (Level 1 inputs).

The fair value of split interest agreements is measured on a recurring basis by calculating the change in value of the Synod's beneficial interest (Level 3 inputs).

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6. Fair Value Measurements, continued

Significant information regarding split-interest agreements classified by the Synod within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy for the year ended December 31, 2021, is as follows:

Beginning balance	\$ 51,308
Change in value of split interest (unrealized gain)	<u>3,211</u>
Ending balance	<u>\$ 54,519</u>

7. Property and Equipment

In 2021, there were no asset purchases that will require to be capitalized. Fixed assets were written off in 2020 due to non-existence.

8. Commitments and Contingencies

Obligations Under an Operating Leases

The Synod leases equipment under an operating lease with various terms. Future minimum payments, by year end in the aggregate, under these leases with initial or remaining terms of one year or more, consist of the following:

<u>Year ended December 31,</u>	
2022	\$ 6,720
2023	6,720
2024	<u>5,600</u>
	<u>\$ 19,040</u>

Rent expense under the operating lease for equipment for the year ended December 31, 2021 was \$7,496.

Other Commitments

The Synod, as needed, guarantees notes, loans, and grants made to individual churches by the Board of National Missions either directly or through the Synod. The obligations, which are secured by church property, are payable from the various churches directly to the General Assembly Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program ("PILP"), which absorbed the Board of National Missions and also the Board of Church Extension into its loan program.

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9. Temporarily Restricted Net Assets

Temporarily restricted net assets at December 31, 2021 consist of the following:

Church development	\$ 5,531,519
McKee Fund	1,213,592
Unitrusts and pooled funds	<u>582,447</u>
	<u>\$ 7,327,558</u>

For the year ended December 31, 2021, net assets released from program restrictions were \$275,000.

10. Permanently Restricted Net Assets and Endowment Funds

Permanently restricted net assets represent contributions which the donor has stipulated that the principal is to be kept intact in perpetuity and only the interest and dividends therefrom may be expended for unrestricted purposes. At December 31, 2021, permanently restricted net assets were \$3,496,621.

General accepted accounting principles provide guidance on the net asset classification of donor-restricted endowment funds for nonprofit organization that is subject to an enacted version of the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act of 2006 ("UPMIFA"). It also requires additional disclosures about an organization's endowment funds (both donor-restricted endowment funds and Board-designated endowment) whether or not the organization is subject to UPMIFA.

The Synod classifies as permanently restricted net assets, (a) the original value of the gifts to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. Endowment net assets composition by type of fund as of December 31, 2021 are as follows:

	Permanently Restricted
Donor-restricted endowment funds	\$3,714,100
Split-Interest agreements	<u>25,795</u>
Total	<u>\$3,496,621</u>

Changes in endowment net assets as of December 31, 2021 are as follows:

	Permanently Restricted
Beginning balance	\$3,234,234
Change in Value	<u>262,387</u>
Ending balance	<u>\$3,496,621</u>

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11. Employee Benefit Plan

Employees who work a minimum of twenty hours a week are entitled to become members of the Presbyterian Pension and Benefit Plan ("the Plan"), which is a benefit plan administered on behalf of member organizations by the Board of Pensions of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The Plan provides medical, death and disability, and retirement benefits to its members, and the Synod contributes 25%, 1%, and 11%, respectively, for those benefits. The Synod's contribution is calculated utilizing the greater of the employee's annual salary or the minimum pension participation median salary, as defined by the Board of Pensions. There are no employee contributions to the Plan and the Synod's contributions are made monthly. Information with respect to accumulated benefits and net assets available for benefits, as it relates solely to the Synod's employees, is not available.

Retirement expense for the year ended December 31, 2021 was \$61,155.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION BY FUND

December 31, 2021

	Without Donor Restrictions -Unrestricted			With Donor Restrictions - Temporary				With Donor Restrictions - Permanent		Grand Total
	General Operating Fund	Council Designated	Total Unrestricted	Unitrusts and Pooled Funds	Church Development Fund	McKee Fund	Total Temporarily Restricted	Unitrusts and Pooled Funds	Total Permanently Restricted	
ASSETS										
Cash and Cash Equivalents:										
General Operating Fund	\$ 137,100	\$ -	\$ 137,100	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 137,100
Restricted Funds	11,020	-	11,020	142,287	-	-	142,287	-	-	153,307
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	148,120	-	148,120	142,287	-	-	142,287	-	-	290,407
Trust deed notes and grants receivable	-	-	-	-	52,976	-	52,976	-	-	52,976
Accounts Receivable- Others	20,479	-	20,479	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,479
Due to/Due from	(1,170,929)	555,813	(615,116)	411,436	446,954	-	858,390	(243,274)	(243,274)	-
Prepaid expenses	291	-	291	-	-	-	-	-	-	291
Investments	1,099,469	5,231,900	6,331,369	-	5,031,589	1,213,592	6,245,181	3,714,100	3,714,100	16,290,650
Split interest agreements	-	-	-	28,724	-	-	28,724	25,795	25,795	54,519
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 97,430</u>	<u>\$ 5,787,713</u>	<u>\$ 5,885,143</u>	<u>\$ 582,447</u>	<u>\$ 5,531,519</u>	<u>\$ 1,213,592</u>	<u>\$ 7,327,558</u>	<u>\$ 3,496,621</u>	<u>\$ 3,496,621</u>	<u>\$ 16,709,322</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS										
LIABILITIES										
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$ 93,957	\$ -	\$ 93,957	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 93,957
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>93,957</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>93,957</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>93,957</u>
NET ASSETS										
Unrestricted	3,473	-	3,473	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,473
Unrestricted-Board Designated	-	5,787,713	5,787,713	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,787,713
Temporarily restricted	-	-	-	582,447	5,531,519	1,213,592	7,327,558	-	-	7,327,558
Permanently restricted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,496,621	3,496,621	3,496,621
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>3,473</u>	<u>5,787,713</u>	<u>5,791,186</u>	<u>582,447</u>	<u>5,531,519</u>	<u>1,213,592</u>	<u>7,327,558</u>	<u>3,496,621</u>	<u>3,496,621</u>	<u>16,615,365</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 97,430</u>	<u>\$ 5,787,713</u>	<u>\$ 5,885,143</u>	<u>\$ 582,447</u>	<u>\$ 5,531,519</u>	<u>\$ 1,213,592</u>	<u>\$ 7,327,558</u>	<u>\$ 3,496,621</u>	<u>\$ 3,496,621</u>	<u>\$ 16,709,322</u>

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The accompanying notes are integral part of these financial statements

SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HAWAII, PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A)

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES BY FUND
December 31, 2021

	Without Donor Restrictions -Unrestricted			With Donor Restrictions - Temporary				With Donor Restrictions - Permanent		Grand Total
	General Operating Fund	Council Designated	Total Unrestricted	Unitrusts and Pooled Funds	Church Development Fund	McKee Fund	Total Temporarily Restricted	Unitrusts and Pooled Funds	Total Permanently Restricted	
REVENUE AND SUPPORT										
Interest and dividend income	\$ 84,772	\$ 127,230	\$ 212,002	\$ 109,925	\$ 185,230	\$ 8,911	\$ 304,066	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 516,068
Per capita apportionment	108,058	-	108,058	-	-	-	-	-	-	108,058
Contributions and grants	958	-	958	3,080	-	-	3,080	-	-	4,038
Net assets released from program restrictions	275,000	-	275,000	-	(275,000)	-	(275,000)	-	-	-
TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT	468,788	127,230	596,018	113,005	(89,770)	8,911	32,146	-	-	628,164
Program services:										
Church development	20,179	-	20,179	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,179
Related mission partners	97,831	-	97,831	-	-	-	-	-	-	97,831
Support services:										
Administration	367,084	-	367,084	-	-	-	-	-	-	367,084
TOTAL EXPENSES	485,094	-	485,094	-	-	-	-	-	-	485,094
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS BEFORE OTHER CHANGES	(16,306)	127,230	110,924	113,005	(89,770)	8,911	32,146	-	-	143,070
OTHER CHANGES										
Realized gain on investments	-	167,438	167,438	-	-	-	-	-	-	167,438
Unrealized gain on investments	147,385	410,242	557,627	-	434,217	-	434,217	383,253	383,253	1,375,097
Change in value of split-interest agreements	-	-	-	1,455	-	-	1,455	1,756	1,756	3,211
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	131,079	704,910	835,989	114,460	344,447	8,911	467,818	385,009	385,009	1,688,816
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	(127,606)	5,082,803	4,955,197	467,987	5,187,072	1,204,681	6,859,740	3,111,612	3,111,612	14,926,549
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 3,473	\$ 5,787,713	\$ 5,791,186	\$ 582,447	\$ 5,531,519	\$ 1,213,592	\$ 7,327,558	\$ 3,496,621	\$ 3,496,621	\$ 16,615,365

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SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HAWAII

RESTRICTED AND SPECIAL FUNDS APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDELINES

APPLICATION PROCESS

Restricted and Special Funds of the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii are available for application by all presbyteries within the Synod. Synod Related Mission Partners may also apply for these grants as long as the project is supported by at least two presbyteries.

The maximum amount for a grant will generally be \$15,000 or the amount in the fund, whichever is less. The Synod may also consider a grant application in excess of this amount. The Restricted and Special Funds Committee (sometimes referred to as the Committee) may also choose to award a grant recipient less than the amount requested in its initial application. Consideration will be given to projects where matching funds from local sources are available. Typically, grants are not intended to be solely used for ongoing staff salaries.

Grants are made on a one-time basis and must be used within one year from the date a grant is distributed or the specified time period described in the application. The grant will usually be distributed in a lump sum, but may be distributed as periodic payments. Any funds not used within said time period shall be returned, unless otherwise agreed upon with the Committee. It is the responsibility of the grant recipient to provide a final written report on the project which will include a presentation at a meeting of the Commission of Assembly and perhaps a broader group as well. The report should review the project and share with the group what worked, what did not work, and what could have been done differently. This is intended to provide a learning and motivational experience for all.

The Synod may also require the recipient to provide periodic progress reports as a condition of the grant. Ordinarily, a governing body that has previously received a grant cannot receive an additional grant until an evaluation has been submitted or confirmation provided that funds were spent appropriately.

A requesting council or Related Mission Partner must complete an application form describing the proposed use for the funds and the income and expenses of the project. Requests submitted by churches must be approved by the session and signed by the Clerk of Session. Such requests also must be endorsed by the Presbytery. Requests from Related Mission Partners must be endorsed by at least two presbyteries. Requests from presbyteries are to be signed by the presbytery executive or authorized representative.

APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS

To be considered, application descriptions must be consistent with donor restrictions. Because there is a limited amount of money in the funds, the Committee makes every effort to review each application based on completeness of the application, evaluation guidelines in the next section and merit of the program/project. In addition, the Committee encourages partnership with other governing bodies whenever possible.

EVALUATION PROCESS AND GUIDELINES

The Restricted and Special Funds Committee will review applications and make recommendations based on the factors set out below. Applicants should consider these

guidelines as they are writing an application to the extent they are relevant for the particular project.

1. Does the project meet the restrictions for an available fund?
2. What is the degree of Presbyterian involvement?
3. What is the availability of matching funds?
4. What amount of other support is provided by the applicant, including volunteer time and in kind services?
5. What length of time has the applicant supported the project?
6. For start-up programs, what is the availability of other monies to continue the program in the future?
7. How does the program promote the goal of partnership in carrying out the applicant's mission?
8. Where does this fall within the mission priorities of the applicant?
9. How many people does the program serve?
10. What is the amount of local support?
11. What is the evidence of ongoing commitment?
12. What is the program's record of accomplishment?
13. What is the total program cost compared with the application request?
14. What will be the direct impact of the program on people?
15. For new programs, how quickly can the program begin?

A list of donor restrictions can be requested from the Synod office.

1. To Be Completed by Requesting Session, Related Mission Partner or Presbytery			
Requested Restricted Fund/Number (as stated on The Synod Restricted Funds list):			
If application was made to other restricted funds for <u>same program/project</u> , please list fund numbers:			Grant amount requested (must equal or exceed \$500): \$
Have you previously received a restricted fund grant?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Total Program/Project Budget (Please complete budget worksheet): \$
If so, which year did you receive the restricted fund grant?	Year:		For Synod Use Only – Amount Granted \$

Applicant name and address (presbytery, church or related mission partner):

Designated program/project contact:

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

City, State, Zip _____

E-mail Address _____

If applicant is a church (session) or New Worshipping Community (NWC), please provide the following information for the prior calendar year:

Church Membership (or NWC average attendance) _____

Operating Budget \$ _____

Amounts Contributed to Presbytery, Synod and GA (Excluding Per Capita) \$ _____

Proposed Use: This should be responsive to Evaluation Guidelines found in the application instructions. Approved applications receive a one-time grant. Grants must be used within one year of distribution or specified time period stated in this Application. Please limit your response to sections a – d to no more than two pages.

- a) Short Description (briefly describe the program/project for which funding is requested):

- b) Is this an ongoing program/project or a new initiative (please explain):

- c) Are funds being received from other sources to support this program/project? If so, what are the sources and how much?

- d) Background (more detailed description of program/project, and please indicate partnership with other governing bodies or other entities):

Proposed Use (continued):

Budget for Project/Program (Revenue Should Equal Expenses)

Revenue Item	Amount
Individual Contribution(s)	
Presbytery	
Synod Funding Request	
Other: (Describe each item over 10% of budget)	
Total Project Revenue	

Expense Item*	Amount
Total Project Expense	

* List and describe each major expense item

2. Presbytery Comment(s) on Proposals from Local Churches and Related Mission Partners

3. Required Signatures

**Clerk of Session or
NWC Leader or
Related Mission Partner Signer**

**Church Name or
NWC or
Related Mission Partner**

Signature

Date

Presbytery Representative

Presbytery Name and Address

Signature

Date

Presbytery Representative*

Presbytery Name and Address*

Signature*

Date*

*Additional Presbytery information and signatures only required for Synod Related Mission Partners

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii

COMMISSION OF ASSEMBLY

March 4, 2023

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE

Mark Hong

As we begin the new year, our Vice Moderator, Yvonne Harmon, experienced the loss of her husband, Richard, on New Year's Day. On behalf of the Synod, we sent a flower arrangement for his funeral service, which Yvonne appreciated greatly. As we convey our condolences to Yvonne, I would like to thank Janine Tanahuvia, Lee Ireland, and Susan Skoglund for attending the funeral service on February 4th at Forest Lawn in Covina.

Gradually, more and more Presbyteries and our Mission Partners are gathering in person. I have had the pleasure of attending San Gabriel and San Diego Presbytery meetings in person and will continue to attend all Presbytery meetings either in person or via Zoom when my schedule allows.

However, Zoom meetings are still a popular method of gathering and there seems to be no end for this method of gathering. Synod has heavily relied on Zoom meetings for the last three years, including the last three Assemblies and we may have to begin to examine how we will gather our future meetings.

Rev. Dr. Diane Moffet, the President and Executive Director of the Presbyterian Mission Agency, and I have been in conversation about her possible visit to our area for a listening session. In conjunction with the Presbytery leaders, we selected May 23 (T) as the date for the event. She will also speak during the Pacific Presbytery's Stated Meeting on May 20 (Sat) and will preach during worship at St. Mark Presbyterian Church, located in Newport Beach, on May 21 (Sun). We will continue to iron out the detail for the gathering.

Riverside Presbytery's EP Search Committee's work is ongoing. The committee is working to present a candidate for its May meeting.

I am happy to report to you that our related entities, Zephyr Point Conference Center, Monte Vista Grove Homes, and Presbyterian Camp and Conference Center, Inc. (PCCCI) are doing remarkably well despite the challenges they have gone through during the Pandemic. All have recovered well and are continuing to work toward a brighter future.

I am in conversation with our Presbytery partners to possibly provide Boundary Training in 2023 and training for Permanent Judiciary Commissions on the new Rules of Discipline, once it gets approved by a majority of 166 Presbyteries. I foresee the latter training taking place sometime toward the end of the year.

I look forward to serving the Synod family for another three years as the last Assembly approved the extension. I imagine we will face many challenges and new opportunities as we enter this post-pandemic time for the church. As we keep hearing we will never be able to go back to the pre-pandemic church and are faced with many unknowns, I am confident that our collective endeavors will continue to uphold God's kingdom on earth because the One who began the good work in us will allow us to complete it until our Lord Jesus returns.

May we continue to be faithful with each of our callings. Amen!

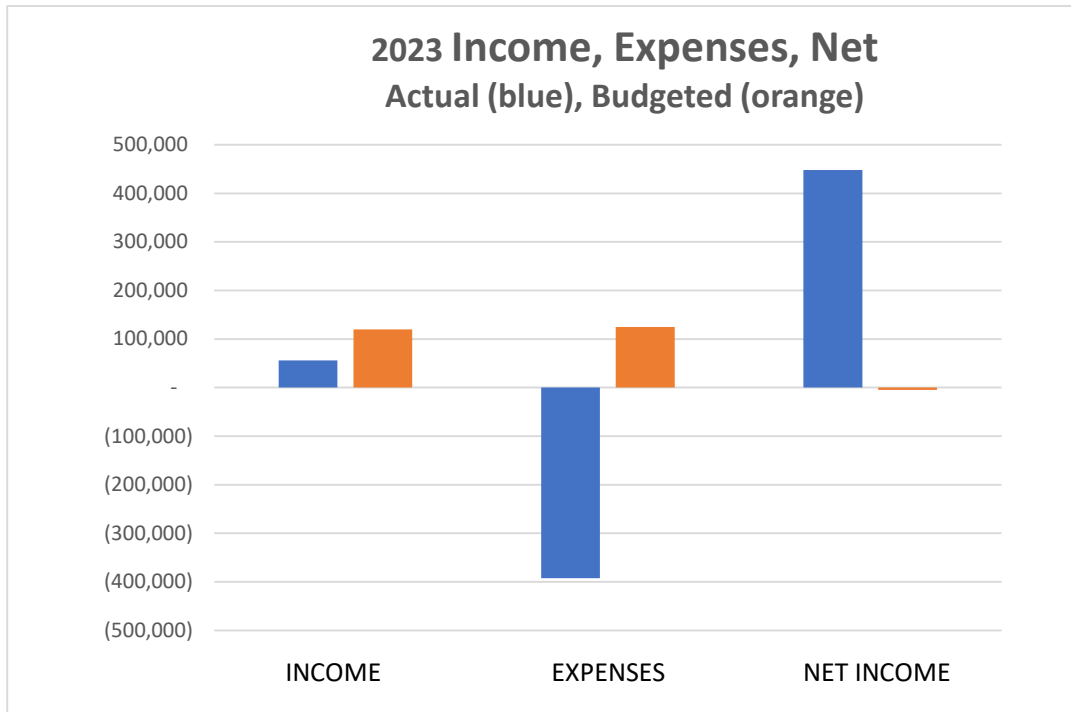
The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Balance Sheet
As of March 31, 2023

	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
10110 Operating Chase 2956	115,221 90
10120 Restricted - Chase 3380085208	74,811 30
Total 1000 Cash & Cash Equivalents	<u>190,033 20</u>
10200 Short Term Investments	
10220 Presbyterian Investment & Loan Program	616,497 31
10230 Charles Schwab	604,012 73
Total 10200 Short Term Investments	<u>1,220,510 04</u>
Total Bank Accounts	<u>1,410,543 24</u>
Other Current Assets	
12000 Prepaid Expenses	147 25
Total Other Current Assets	<u>147 25</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>1,410,690 49</u>
Other Assets	
20000 Long Term Assets	
21100 Notes Receivable	52,975 63
Total 21000 Notes Receivables/Mortgage Grants	<u>52,975 63</u>
22000 Unrestricted Investments - NCF	
22100 Unrestricted Reserve 1075491	829,106 68
22200 Ecclesiastical Reserve 107018	28,483 66
22300 Oiko Credit 109100000069	100,000 54
Total 22000 Unrestricted Investments - NCF	<u>957,590 88</u>
23000 Unrestricted Investments- NCT Council Assigned	
23100 NCTC - Wilshire Reserve 506083000164	4,395,792 21
Total 23000 Unrestricted Investments- NCT Council Assigned	<u>4,395,792 21</u>
24000 Temporarily Restricted Investments NCF	
24100 Church Development Fund 1038031	3,797,848 83
24200 Southern California Foundation 1060390	259,419 88
24300 Langlie Fund 1033134	31,810 69
24400 Edwards Fund 1033232	27,098 38
24500 Life Income Plans - Paid in Lump Sums	24,077 09
Total 24000 Temporarily Restricted Investments NCF	<u>4,140,254 87</u>
25000 Permanently Restricted Funds	
25100 Pooled Presbyterian Foundation Accounts	3,098,456 65
25200 Life Income Plans - Est. Permanent Funds	21,896 78
Total 25000 Permanently Restricted Funds	<u>3,120,353 43</u>
Total 20000 Long Term Assets	<u>12,666,967 02</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>12,666,967 02</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>14,077,657 51</u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Other Current Liabilities	
31200 Vacation / PTO Accrual	8,057 26
31300 Flexible Spending Account	2,715 80
31400 403-B Payable	(625 00)
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>10,148 06</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>10,148 06</u>
Equity	
40000 Net Assets	
31500 Funds Held in Trust	79,874 64
41000 Unrestricted Net Assets	334,922 08
42000 Unrestricted Net Assets - Council Designated	5,485,911 35
43000 Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	6,295,398 69
44000 Permanently Restricted Assets	2,990,762 02
Total 40000 Net Assets	<u>15,186,868 78</u>
Opening Balance Equity	16,873 05
Retained Earnings	(1,584,440 56)
Net Income	448,208 18
Total Equity	<u>14,067,509 45</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>14,077,657 51</u>

3-31-23 P&L Summary Information

Q1-23 YTD Operating Income, Expenses, Net

	Actual	Budget
Total Income	55,697	119,731
Total Expenses	(392,511)	124,538
Net Income	448,208	(4,807)



Category Comparisons:

	Q1 Actual	Q1 Budget
Income		
Capita	34,671	19,221
Total 55000 Restrict Program Funds	18,458	15,550
Total 55580 Revenue for General Use	2,568	84,959
TOTAL INCOME	55,697	119,731
Expenses (negative)		
Program Services	6,625	20,024
Foundation Pass	3,397	8,133
Total 62100 Payroll	69,191	72,435
Total Operating/Meeting/Prof/Spec Pgm Expenses	11,337	23,946
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	90,550	124,538
TOTAL NET OPERATING INCOME	(34,853)	(4,807)
Total 70000 Other Restricted Revenue	(483,061)	0
Total 80000 Other Transfers	0	0
TOTAL EXPENSES	(392,511)	124,538
NET INCOME/(NET LOSS)	448,208	(4,807)

The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Budget vs. Actuals: 2023 Budget - FY23 P&L
January - March 2023

	Jan - Mar, 2023			
	Actual	Budget	Over Budget	% of Budget
Income				
52000 Per Capita				
52100 Los Ranchos	23,181 90	6,173 82	17,008 08	375 49%
52110 Pacific	9,345 39	5,927 28	3,418 11	157 67%
52120 Riverside		1,886 70	(1,886 70)	0 00%
52130 San Fernando		3,006 75	(3,006 75)	0 00%
52140 San Gabriel		3,231 90	(3,231 90)	0 00%
52150 Santa Barbara		2,605 62	(2,605 62)	0 00%
52160 San Diego	2,143 42	6,291 39	(4,147 97)	34 07%
52990 Uncollectible PCA		(9,901 98)	9,901 98	0 00%
Total 52000 Per Capita	34,670 71	19,221 48	15,449 23	180 37%
55110 Chaplaincy-PF Olmstead	6,905 86	6,624 99	280 87	104 24%
55120 JPIC	1,565 67	-	1,565 67	0 00%
55130 LEF REPL	3,000 00	2,000 01	999 99	150 00%
55160 Foundation Pass Through Grants	6,986 31	6,924 99	61 32	100 89%
55580 General Fund Use			-	
50110 Investment Dividend/Interest	109 36	999 99	(890 63)	10 94%
55560 Dividend from Foundation	2,459 06	2,199 99	259 07	111 78%
55570 Wilshire Properties		81,759 21	(81,759 21)	0 00%
Total 55580 General Fund Use	2,568 42	84,959 19	(82,390 77)	3 02%
Total Income	55,696 97	119,730 66	(64,033 69)	46 52%
Expenses				
Budgeted Expense				
62100 Payroll				
62110 Salaries & Wages	50,242 02	50,241 99	0 03	100 00%
62111 Salaries & Wages -REPL	2,087 28	2,087 28	-	100 00%
62120 Pension & Medical	15,569 41	16,878 21	(1,308 80)	92 25%
62130 FICA	1,592 47	1,602 21	(9 74)	99 39%
62140 Workers Compensation	(300 00)	275 01	(575 01)	-109 09%
62150 Study Leave		1,350 00	(1,350 00)	0 00%
Total 62100 Payroll	69,191 18	72,434 70	(3,243 52)	95 52%
62300 Office Expenses				
62310 Office Supplies	484 76	225 00	259 76	215 45%
62315 Postage & Delivery	60 50	150 00	(89 50)	40 33%
62320 Communication	1,070 37	823 26	247 11	130 02%
62325 Equip Maint		125 01	(125 01)	0 00%
62330 Equipment Leases	2,449 87	1,749 99	699 88	139 99%
62333 Equipment Purchased		249 99	(249 99)	0 00%
62335 Rent	441 75	860 25	(418 50)	51 35%
62345 Gen Liab & Prop Ins	1,057 75	999 99	57 76	105 78%
62350 Taxes, Licenses & Fees		150 00	(150 00)	0 00%
62355 Dues & Subscriptions	59 00	50 01	8 99	117 98%
62515 Bank	75 00	24 99	50 01	300 12%
62990 Miscellaneous Expenses		125 01	(125 01)	0 00%
Total 62300 Office Expenses	5,699 00	5,533 50	165 50	102 99%
62400 Meetings				
62360 Exec Mileage & Travel	2,094 97	5,499 99	(3,405 02)	38 09%
62370 Employee Mile & Travel	125 45	750 00	(624 55)	16 73%
62402 REPL		24 99	(24 99)	0 00%
62403 COA		75 00	(75 00)	0 00%
62404 Work Groups		50 01	(50 01)	0 00%
62405 Polity & Records		50 01	(50 01)	0 00%
62406 Committee on Rep & Nominations		50 01	(50 01)	0 00%
62407 Permanent Judicial Commission		125 01	(125 01)	0 00%
62409 Synod Assembly		249 99	(249 99)	0 00%
62411 Synod Moderator Training & Travel		399 99	(399 99)	0 00%
Total 62400 Meetings	2,220 42	7,275 00	(5,054 58)	30 52%

The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Budget vs. Actuals: 2023 Budget - FY23 P&L
January - March 2023

	Jan - Mar, 2023			
	Actual	Budget	Over Budget	% of Budget
62550 Professional Services				
62500 Audit		1,950 00	(1,950 00)	0 00%
62510 Legal		3,000 00	(3,000 00)	0 00%
62520 Technical Support		150 00	(150 00)	0 00%
62551 Payroll Fee	842 18	750 00	92 18	112 29%
62552 Website Maintenance	750 00	787 50	(37 50)	95 24%
62553 Hardware & Software Maintenance	1,124 94	999 99	124 95	112 50%
62800 Training & Conference	700 00	3,500 01	(2,800 01)	20 00%
Total 62550 Professional Services	3,417 12	11,137 50	(7,720 38)	30 68%
62750 Special Program				
61600 Missioninsite	2,244 75	2,250 00	(5 25)	99 77%
62700 Gift		624 99	(624 99)	0 00%
62710 Monte Vista Grove Fndraiser		300 00	(300 00)	0 00%
62751 Presbytery of Pacific - HI Delegates	1,152 41	1,625 01	(472 60)	70 92%
62752 Ecumenical (SCalForum)		3,333 32	(3,333 32)	0 00%
Total 62750 Special Program	3,397 16	8,133 32	(4,736 16)	41 77%
Total 60000 Operating Expenses	83,924 88	104,514 02	(20,589 14)	80 30%
61000 Program Services				
61200 Racial Ethnic Pastoral Leadership		2,000 01	(2,000 01)	0 00%
61300 Chaplaincy Consortium	6,624 99	11,099 10	(4,474 11)	59 69%
61710 Witness for Peace		3,000 00	(3,000 00)	0 00%
61720 Union Station Foundation		1,824 99	(1,824 99)	0 00%
61730 Franciscan Friars JPIC		1,824 99	(1,824 99)	0 00%
61740 La Casa de SG Comm Center		150 00	(150 00)	0 00%
61750 Presbyterian Women		125 01	(125 01)	0 00%
Total 61000 Program Services	6,624 99	20,024 10	(13,399 11)	33 09%
Total Budgeted Expense	90,549 87	124,538 12	(33,988 25)	72 71%
Non Budgeted				
70000 Restricted/Unrestricted Special Programs				
55565 Restricted Dividend/Interest	(5 26)		(5 26)	
70115 Pooled and Unitrust Funds	(906 03)		(906 03)	
70125 PLIP McKee Funds	(1,923 65)		(1,923 65)	
70130 Wilshire Properties Reserve Funds	(178,006 41)		(178,006 41)	
70135 Gen And Adm	(8 07)		(8 07)	
70150 Langlie Fund	(1,574 73)		(1,574 73)	
70155 Edwards Fund	(1,341 45)		(1,341 45)	
70160 So Cal Foundation	(12,842 08)		(12,842 08)	
76000 Unrealized Gain (Loss) On Investment				
70120 Church Development Fund	(188,005 20)		(188,005 20)	
76100 Unrestricted Investments	(55,950 65)		(55,950 65)	
76130 Permanently Restricted Investments	(96,596 22)		(96,596 22)	
Total Unrealized Gain(Loss) On Investment	(340,552 07)	-	(340,552 07)	-
Total Restricted/Unrestricted Special Programs	(537,159 75)	-	(537,159 75)	-
72600 Grants				
55140 Unrestricted Reserve 1075491			-	
61400 Partnering Grants			-	
61540 Unrestricted Reserve 10754 Grant	50,000 00		50,000 00	
61800 KPC Grant - Chase	700 00		700 00	
72602 Chaplaincy SF - Chase	3,398 67		3,398 67	
Total 72600 Grants	54,098 67	-	54,098 67	-
Total Non Budgeted	(483,061 08)	-	(483,061 08)	-
Total Expenses	(392,511 21)	124,538 12	(517,049 33)	-315 17%
Net Operating Income	448,208 18	(4,807 46)	453,015 64	-9323 18%

**Synod of Southern California Hawaii
2023 Partnering Grant**

	Totals	Los Ranchos	San Fernando	San Gabriel	Riverside	San Diego	Santa Barbara	Pacific	Korean Min
Fund allocation	2,400,000 00	300,000 00	300,000 00	300,000 00	300,000 00	300,000 00	300,000 00	300,000 00	300,000 00
Additional approved fund allocation	1,200,000 00	150,000 00	150,000 00	150,000 00	150,000 00	150,000 00	150,000 00	150,000 00	150,000 00
Reallocation of Hanmi Funds	-	30,000 00	30,000 00	30,000 00	30,000 00	30,000 00	30,000 00	30,000 00	(210,000 00)
Sub-totals	3,600,000 00	480,000 00	480,000 00	480,000 00	480,000 00	480,000 00	480,000 00	480,000 00	240,000 00
Fund usage/allotment:									
2015 Grants Allocation	(1,676,801 67)	(300,000 00)	(375,000 00)	(240,668 00)	(166,133 67)	(145,000 00)	(450,000 00)	-	-
2016 Grants									
Boyle Heights Mission Hub ck 1333	(15,000 00)	(15,000 00)							
Shower Ministry Garden Grove ck 1333	(20,000 00)	(20,000 00)							
Cyclical Los Ranchos ck 1333	(50,000 00)	(50,000 00)							
Anchor City Church apprvd by COA on 9/17/16 ck 1165 issued 9/27/16	(25,000 00)					(25,000 00)			
2016 Grants Allocation	(110,000 00)	(85,000 00)	-	-	-	(25,000 00)	-	-	-
2017 Grants									
1st Inglewood	(10,000 00)							(10,000 00)	
Westminster	(7,500 00)							(7,500 00)	
Bridge at Union Church	(35,000 00)							(35,000 00)	
1st Pres Altadena ck 1376 issued 3/14/17	(16,666 00)			(16,666 00)					
2015 Grants Allocation	(69,166 00)	-	-	(16,666 00)	-	-	-	(52,500 00)	-
2018 Grants									
Bridge at Union Church	(25,000 00)							(25,000 00)	
Korean Hope Church ck 1624	(28,000 00)								(28,000 00)
KIPC Artesia ck 1624	(25,000 00)								(25,000 00)
Reclass to Chaplaincy Fund	(75,000 00)		(75,000 00)						
Confessing Korean Church ck 1683	(28,625 00)								(28,625 00)
SB Mission Fair	(5,000 00)						(5,000 00)		
Joshua Initiative	(15,000 00)							(15,000 00)	
CPG - Korean Good Shepherd PC ck 1746 issued 10/23/18	(45,000 00)								(45,000 00)
CPG - Pasadena PC ck 1745 issued 10/23/18	(25,000 00)								(25,000 00)
Korean United (PA)	(20,875 00)								(20,875 00)
2018 Grant Allocation	(292,500 00)	-	(75,000 00)	-	-	-	(5,000 00)	(40,000 00)	(172,500 00)
2019 Grant									
P Korean United ck 1788 issued 2/25/19	(11,250 00)								(11,250 00)
P Hosanna ck 1789 issued 2/25/19	(11,250 00)								(11,250 00)
P Honolulu ck 1789 issued 2/25/19	(11,250 00)								(11,250 00)
LR Community Bellflower ck 1787 issued 2/25/19	(11,250 00)								(11,250 00)
LR Woori ck 1787 issued 2/25/19	(11,250 00)								(11,250 00)
LR Orange Canaan ck 1787 issued 2/25/19	(11,250 00)								(11,250 00)
SD Korean United ck 1853	(13,750 00)					(13,750 00)			
P Faith PC ck 1790 issued 2/25/19	(24,000 00)							(24,000 00)	
P Bethesda ck 1790 issued 2/25/19	(10,000 00)							(10,000 00)	
P Westminster ck 1790 issued 2/25/19	(10,000 00)							(10,000 00)	
SD Ebenezer Church ck 1803 issued 3/13/19	(50,000 00)					(50,000 00)			
First Pres of Inglewood ck 1873 issued 7/16/19	(15,000 00)							(15,000 00)	
2019 Grant Allocation	(190,250 00)	-	-	-	-	(63,750 00)	-	(59,000 00)	(67,500 00)
2020 Grant									
Korean ministry adjust to Chase Restricted	-								
SG Pasadena Presb Church Relaunch SLM ck 1960 1/17/20	(26,000 00)			(26,000 00)					
P of SD Anchor City Church (NWC)	(25,000 00)					(25,000 00)			
PoR Stonewall Ministries (NWC) matching grant	(15,000 00)				(15,000 00)				
PoP Faith Presbyterian Church (2nd Generation)	(20,000 00)							(20,000 00)	
PoP Fund for Ministry Innovation - (Post pandemic 54 church & 2NWC)	(125,000 00)							(125,000 00)	
Presbytery of San Gabriel - Rowland Height Pres	(24,000 00)			(24,000 00)					
2020 Grant Allocation	(235,000 00)	-	-	(50,000 00)	(15,000 00)	(25,000 00)	-	(145,000 00)	-
2021 Grant									
Presbytery of Pacific - NWC: Beloved Everybody Church 2/13/21	(15,000 00)							(15,000 00)	
San Gabriel Presbytery Lincoln Corridor Pasadena (Altadena) 6/15/21	(50,000 00)			(50,000 00)					
2021 Grant Allocation	(65,000 00)	-	-	(50,000 00)	-	-	-	(15,000 00)	-
2022 Grant									
Presbytery of SD Cyclical San Diego - New Worshiping Communities	(50,000 00)	-	-	-	-	(50,000 00)	-		
First Presbyterian Church Redlands (Riverside Pby)	(120,000 00)	-	-	-	(120,000 00)	-	-		
Temple City NWC	(28,000 00)	-	-	(28,000 00)		-	-		
Interwoven NWC	(25,000 00)	-	-	(25,000 00)	-	-	-		
Fletcher Hills Presbyterian Church	(31,000 00)	-	-	-	-	(31,000 00)	-		
Westminster Presbyterian Church	(35,000 00)	-	-	-	-	(35,000 00)	-		
First Presbyterian Church, El Cajon	(45,000 00)	-	-	-	-	(45,000 00)	-		
2022 Grant Allocation	(334,000 00)	-	-	(53,000 00)	(120,000 00)	(161,000 00)	-	-	-
2023 Grant									
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
2023 Grant Allocation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Allocated	(2,972,717 67)	(385,000 00)	(450,000 00)	(410,334 00)	(301,133 67)	(419,750 00)	(455,000 00)	(311,500 00)	(240,000 00)
Net Remaining Allocated Balance as of 3/31/23	627,282 33	95,000 00	30,000 00	69,666 00	178,866 33	60,250 00	25,000 00	168,500 00	-
Church Development Unallocated Balance	3,170,566 50								
Church Development Fund Balance at 3/31/23	3,797,848 83								

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii: Restricted, Named, Specific Funds
March 31, 2023

Fund ID	Fund Description	Available Funds - Chase	Market Value with PF 3/31/23	Fund Use
102240070798	Dorcas Davis Memorial Fund - 2002-30645		698,693 90	28% - JPIC; 28% - Union Station; 44% - Witness for Peace
102240004054	Elias Family Memorial Fund-34069		46,004 62	33% - Disaster Relief
New Covnt Fund	24300 Langlie Fund	12,409 85	31,810 69	67% - Neighborhood Centers, Campers, church day care center, hospital chaplaincies
102240006050	Black Advisory Committee Fund-38965	-	10,236 77	Any religious, charitable or hospital purposes--temp restricted
102240000222	Lillian McElhaney Memorial Fund-35416		17,944 72	Black Advisory Committee
102240005946	Olmstead Trust-38371	-	718,395 03	Capital Expense
102240070030	Elias Family Memorial Fund-34067		10,179 71	Chaplaincy Consortium
102240202290	Elias Family Memorial Fund-55976	5,835 95	55,706 37	Disaster Relief
102240202307	Elias Family Memorial Fund-57957		13,048 03	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.
New Covnt Fund	24100 Church Development Fund		3,797,848 83	For new church development--temp restricted
102240000232	Marie D. Messick Memorial Fund-34273		18,565 93	General Fund
102240000352	Ralph M. and Beulah Speelman Memorial Fund-32993		11,052 86	General Fund
102240001001	The Alberta Fund-34447		2,801 56	General Fund
102240004070	Alfred A. and Jody Gregory Family Fund-34732		166,962 13	General Fund
102240070587	Samuel C. and Mildred L. Rue Fund-34457		32,984 21	General Fund
102241004023	Anonymous No. 8 - 2 of 3 - Southern California Fdtn- 32840		5,497 03	General Fund
Chase Account	Interest earned from savings account	416 02	-	General Fund
New Covnt Fund	22300 Oiko Credit		100,000 54	General Unrestricted
New Covnt Fund	22200 Ecclesiastical Reserve		28,483 66	General Unrestricted--"Fund 09 use only"
New Covnt Fund	22100 Unrestricted Reserve		829,106 68	General Use
New Covnt Fund	24400 Edwards Fund	1,761 50	27,098 38	Income for living Edwards heirs; deceased heirs inc to Synod operating use--temp rest
102240005383	Trinidad Salazar Memorial Fund-37116	198 11	21,490 28	Hispanic Ministry
102240101978	Rose M. Baguez Memorial Fund-36846	115 84	12,564 94	Hispanic Ministry
102240005891	Albert E. and Avanelle M. Smith Memorial Fund-36839	787 80	12,159 62	Hungry and homeless
Chase Account	JPIC	17,602 25		JPIC
Chase Account	Korean PC	6,340 47	-	Korean PC
102240100648	Betty W. Moore Memorial Fund-36299		9,253 51	La Casa de San Gabriel
102240101747	Choate - McClellan Family Memorial Fund-45632		6,660 41	La Casa de San Gabriel
102240202291	Elias Family Memorial Fund-55977	9,203 26	111,412 79	Neighborhood Centers, Campers, church daycare centers, hospital chaplaincies
102240202303	Elias Family Memorial Fund-57953		26,096 08	Neighborhood Centers, Campers, church daycare centers, hospital chaplaincies
102240070027	Elias Family Memorial Fund-34064		15,278 92	Neighborhood ctrs, Campers, church daycare ctrs, hospital chaplaincies, serv personnel
102240004787	O. Scott and Ila W. McFarland Memorial Fund-36521	264 32	14,347 53	Partnering Grant
Chase Account	PDA Contributions	292 01	-	PDA Contributions
102240101592	Albert E. and Avanelle M. Smith Memorial Fund-36832		12,154 90	Presbyterian Women of the Synod
102240000294	Francis Greenlee Memorial Fund-33403		9,095 80	REPL
Chase Account	Jim and Alice Furuya - REPL	9,898 96	-	REPL
102240005926	Racial Ethnic Pastoral Scholarship Fund-38372	8,231 04	159,218 25	REPL - Scholarship
New Covnt Fund	24200 Southern California Fund		259,419 88	Social Prog, Church Ext, Ministries/New Churches, Young ppl summer project--temp rest
New Covnt Trust	23100 Wilshire Property Reserve		4,395,792 21	Synod Assembly determines
Chase Account	SNAC Offering and Donations	1,453 92	-	Synod Native American Council (SNAC) Offering and Donations
102240004068	Alfred A. and Jody Gregory Fund-34730		106,039 32	Urban work

Totals 74,811 30 11,793,406 09

Pink totals	44,082 97	1,638,056 10
Available to Restricted and Special Funds Committee	30,728 33	10,155,349 99

	Cash Available	Market Value
Restricted	16,140 96	447,925 40
Special Funds	14,171 35	9,469,560 87
General Fund	416 02	237,863 72
	<u>30,728 33</u>	<u>10,155,349 99</u>

Report of CoRN

As the Committee on Representation and Nomination (CoRN) is working on the slate of nomination for the class of 2024 and some vacancies, the CoRN makes the following motion:

The COA to review the current Synod committee structures to determine a more efficient way of operation.

David Won, Chair

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Report of the Partnering Grants Committee
to the Commission of Assembly
June 3, 2023

Since the last Commission of Assembly meeting, your Partnering Grants Committee met once to review partnering grant proposals and make the following recommendations to the Commission of Assembly.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION

1. **Approve** funding the partnering grant request from Santa Barbara Presbytery (Stonebridge Community Church) at \$25,000

- the application asks for \$50,000, however there is only \$25,000 in the Santa Barbara Partnering Grants account
- with approval this will deplete the Santa Barbara account

2. **Approve** funding the partnering grant requests from Riverside Presbytery at \$178,866.33 as follows:

- Beaumont - \$12,000, El Buen Pastor - \$20,000, Hemet - \$10,000, Lake Arrowhead - \$7,400, Riverside Magnolia - \$87,446.33, Northkirk - \$1,269, Ridgecrest - \$20,226, San Bernardino - \$20,525
- with approval, this will deplete the Riverside account

3. **Disburse** remaining partnering grant funds allocated to each presbytery to that presbytery for use in accordance with the guidelines of the partnering grant program with annual reporting to the COA required and **dismiss** the Synod Partnering Grants Committee with thanks

- a sub-committee of the committee began working to update the Synod Partnering Grant Protocols
- it appeared to the sub-committee that these funds were already approved for each presbytery and the Partnering Grants Committee created an extra layer of bureaucracy
- the sub-committee recommended the funds be disbursed, the committee concurred
- in order to advance our connectionalism, the use of these funds should be reported back to the COA, but without the intermediate Partnering Grant Committee

Attached to this report are:

- 1) draft minutes of our May 10, 2023 zoom meeting, detailing our discussion and resulting recommendations
- 2) The Partnering Grant Request from Santa Barbara
- 3) The Partnering Grant Requests from Riverside

Synod Partnering Grants Committee
Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
ZOOM Meeting
Wednesday, May 10 3 pm

PRESENT: Paul Knopf (Chair), Mark Hong (Synod Executive/Stated Clerk), Dave Worth, N'Yisrela Watts-Afriyie, Jeya So, Che Shim.

Opening

Paul opened and welcomed those that were present and called the meeting to order.

- Jeya So was asked to record the minutes of the meeting.
- Quorum was declared.

Business

1. Discussion on Committee Protocol
 - a. A new protocol document draft was sent to the committee members ahead of the meeting. It was suggested that before discussing the committee protocol, a motion to make a recommendation to the Synod Committee of Assembly. Depending on the motion and its acceptance at COA, the discussion of committee protocol will be reintroduced.
2. Discussion on Synod Partnering Grants Committee
 - a. **Motion:** Recommendation to the Commission of Assembly to give the remaining partnering grant funds allocated to each presbytery to that presbytery for use in accordance with the guidelines of the partnering grant program, without synod oversight and for the Synod Partnering Grants Committee to be dismissed.
 - b. Motion seconded.
 - c. Discussion
 - i. This money was allocated for use for presbyteries and it seems an extra step of bureaucracy to have this committee approve what presbyteries have already approved
 - ii. There has been some expectation, however, for oversight on how it would be used and a reminder was made that there should be wise stewardship in how we use this money, especially as we consider "the least of these."
 - iii. Although the Matthew 25 movement came after the establishing of this committee, it serves as a guide (even if not officially) for how money is stewarded by congregations, presbyteries, and the synod.
 - iv. The same stipulations would exist as they currently do, but the presbytery would have primary oversight.
 - v. Will the money be replenished once it's sent down?
 1. It is possible and that we should also keep in mind that the usage and policies regarding these grants have been revised over the years. Originally this could not be used for capital or payroll but this is no longer the case.
 2. There is also a separate grant allocated for Matthew 25 projects, so the committee may be reassured that this concern is being met by Synod.

- vi. The committee was reminded of the history of this grant and concern was expressed over the loss of the connectional nature of our denomination, should this pass.
- vii. The concern that this might set a precedent to allow presbyteries to overlook the use of grants for historically marginalized communities was named. The synod was historically a layer of protection for these communities.
- viii. There was concern expressed that although this funding has been available since 2005, presbyteries didn't seem to know about it and the money has remained unused until now.
 - 1. Riverside Presbytery was commended on their informational gathering and structures put in place to allow for every congregation in their presbytery to become aware of this grant.
- ix. The suggestion was made that if the funding is replenished, we should revise the guidelines to include Matthew 25.
- x. A reminder that future funding is beyond the current scope of the committee was made.
- d. **A motion to amend** was made to include annual reporting to the synod COA for the use of these funds by the presbytery.
- e. The motion was seconded, voted, and passed unanimously.
- f. **New motion reads:** Recommendation to the Synod Commission of Assembly (COA) to give the remaining partnering grant funds allocated to each presbytery to that presbytery for use in accordance with the guidelines of the partnering grant program with annual reporting to the COA required; and for the Synod Partnering Grants Committee to be dismissed with thanks.
- g. Discussion was closed.
- h. Motion was voted on and passed unanimously.
- 3. Santa Barbara Presbytery and Stonebridge Community Church
 - a. Before a motion was made and discussion was had, there was a reminder that although Stonebridge has requested \$50,000, they only have \$25,000 left as part of their allocated funding.
 - b. **Motion:** The committee recommends to the COA that the funding be approved to Santa Barbara Presbytery for use for the Stonebridge Community Church project for \$25,000 pending proof of presbytery approval.
 - c. Motion seconded.
 - d. Discussion:
 - i. It was noted that the request was sent along from the office of the General Presbyter of Santa Barbara Presbytery, however, there has been a request made for an official statement from committee or the Stated Clerk.
 - e. Discussion was closed.
 - f. Motion was voted on and carried unanimously.
 - g. Mark will let Jason Micheli know of the decision.
- 4. Discussion on Riverside Presbytery
 - a. Because Rev. Paul Knopf is the temporary stated clerk of Riverside Presbytery, he recused himself from moderating the Riverside Presbytery discussion and turned the chair to Rev. Dave Worth.
 - b. Paul is asked to remain briefly to answer any questions regarding the grant requests.
 - c. Point of clarity: Is the "synod partnering grants committee" being used synonymously with "the synod partnering grants task force"?

- i. It is not. “The synod partnering grants task force” is from the Riverside Presbytery and was assembled to pre-vet the grants before they came before the SPGC of the Synod. An explanation was given of how the task force approved (or rejected) the grant request was given.
 - d. It was noted that Paul will still make the report to the COA in June and will let the COA know that he recused himself for this discussion.
 - e. Paul was excused to a waiting room.
 - f. It was suggested that the motion be made as a consent docket item, considering all the 8 requests made were treated as 1, since they all came from Riverside Presbytery.
 - g. **Motion:** Synod Partnering Grants request as recommended as recommended by the SPG Task Force and PC as follows (also found on page 2 of 59 from the Riverside Presbytery packet):
 - i. Beaumont - \$12,000
 - ii. El Buen Pastor - \$20,000
 - iii. Hemet - \$10,000
 - iv. Lake Arrowhead - \$7,400
 - v. Riverside Magnolia - \$87, 446.33
 - vi. Northkirk - \$1,269.00
 - vii. Ridgecrest - \$20,226
 - viii. San Bernardino - \$20,525
 - h. Motion seconded
 - i. There was no further discussion, was voted upon and carried with 3 affirmative and 1 abstention.
 - j. The synod will write one check to the presbytery, who will disburse the funds to each project as allocated.
 - k. Paul Knopf was invited back into the meeting.
5. Other business
- a. A comment was made that should the COA not receive the recommendation for the dissolution of this committee, or should a similar committee arise, it will be important to note the function of the committee including communication (eg: sharing of the minutes), and that a worshipful component including prayer for the synod and presbyteries, whether there is business to attend or not, would be good to included.
6. The meeting is adjourned with gratitude and prayer.

Submitted By,
 Jeya So
 Recorder – May 10, 2023

(hold for Presbytery Endorsement Letter)

StoneBridge Community Church Application Synod Partnership Grant

Project: To build an outdoor sanctuary that will allow immuno-compromised people to worship safely during Covid-19 outbreaks and will enable StoneBridge to worship in a unique way, while also providing a venue for outdoor events in the city of Simi Valley. (See attached plans.)

Background: StoneBridge began hosting outdoor worship services in the church courtyard during Covid-19. The congregation has undeveloped land with approved permits that are, at this time, unrealistic. In Spring 2021, StoneBridge began pursuing plans for an outdoor sanctuary to make the outdoor worship experience the norm for the congregation.

Amount Requested: StoneBridge is asking for \$50k from the Synod of So. Cal. and Hawaii.

Who Will Benefit: StoneBridge is seeking to build this primarily for those who are immuno-compromised and for whom the Covid-19 pandemic is not over. StoneBridge is seeking to provide an outdoor worship experience for them, as the spread of Covid-19 is diminished in outdoor settings. The congregation of StoneBridge will also benefit from worshipping in a new expression and approaching church in a different, less traditional form. The city of Simi Valley will also benefit with a new outdoor venue available for community events. StoneBridge is discussing possibilities such as hosting "Shakespeare in the Park," partnering with local schools on musical performances, and other community events that will allow the immunosuppressed in Simi Valley to engage their community safely.

Overall Hope: That people who are immunocompromised and live with increased risk from Covid-19 won't have to choose between their health and their physical participation in the body of Christ. That the younger families in StoneBridge feel connected to a different, unique way of worshipping God by regularly worshipping outdoors. That the city of Simi Valley has a place for outdoor events that is safe and well-maintained. And that through all of this, people in Simi Valley get a glimpse of the God who loves them.

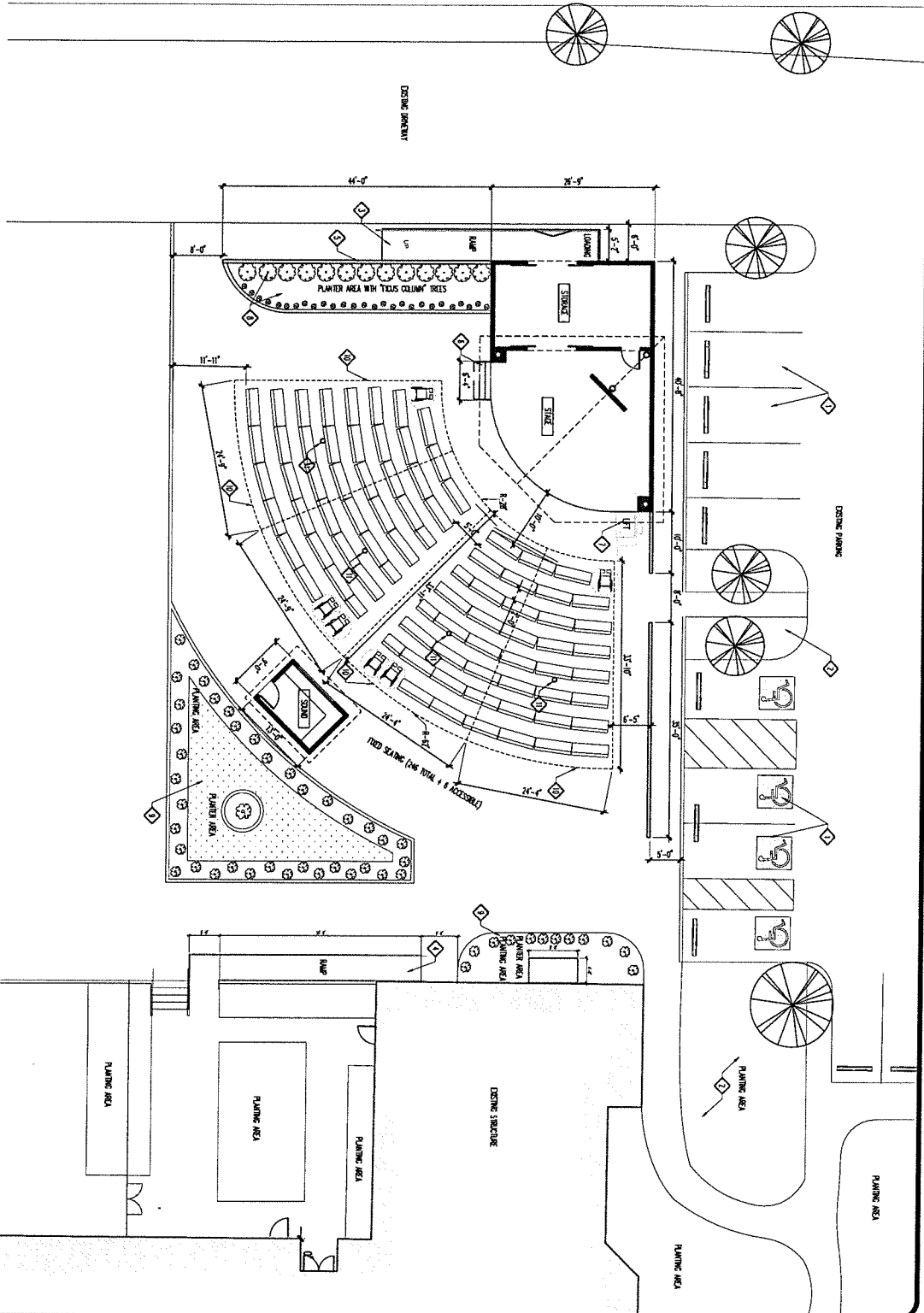
Session and Congregation Support: The Session of StoneBridge has voted at multiple stages to fund this project. (Minutes attached) The idea was presented to the congregation mid-2022. While no formal vote was taken, the congregation voiced its excitement and support.

Potential Objections: StoneBridge anticipates a cost of close to \$1 million. The congregation has approx. \$620k from previous capital campaigns. The remaining \$380k will have to be raised or financed. The primary objection to this will be affordability.

Status: A formal application was submitted to the Planning Department of Simi Valley in late 2022 for an amendment to existing permits. StoneBridge is awaiting approval of that application. Once approved, StoneBridge will engage the Building and Safety Department of Simi Valley.

SITE PLAN NOTES

- 1. (1) PARKING
- 2. (1) PLANTER AREA
- 3. NEW RAMP FOR LOADING DOCK
- 4. NEW ACCESSIBLE RAMP
- 5. 4' HIGH 2X6 S&D WALL WITH STEPS ON BOTH SIDES - STONE BRIDGE SCREENING WALL, SEE SITE PLAN
- 6. STAIR ACCESS STEPS
- 7. "BRAND" 4"X8" ACCESSIBLE OUTDOOR PLATFORM LIFT
- 8. (4) PLANTER AREA WITH 10'X5' COLUMN TREES
- 9. (4) PLANTER AREA
- 10. CHURCH STRUCTURE OVER STAGING AREA
- 11. STEEL CHURCH POST



PARTIAL SITE PLAN

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



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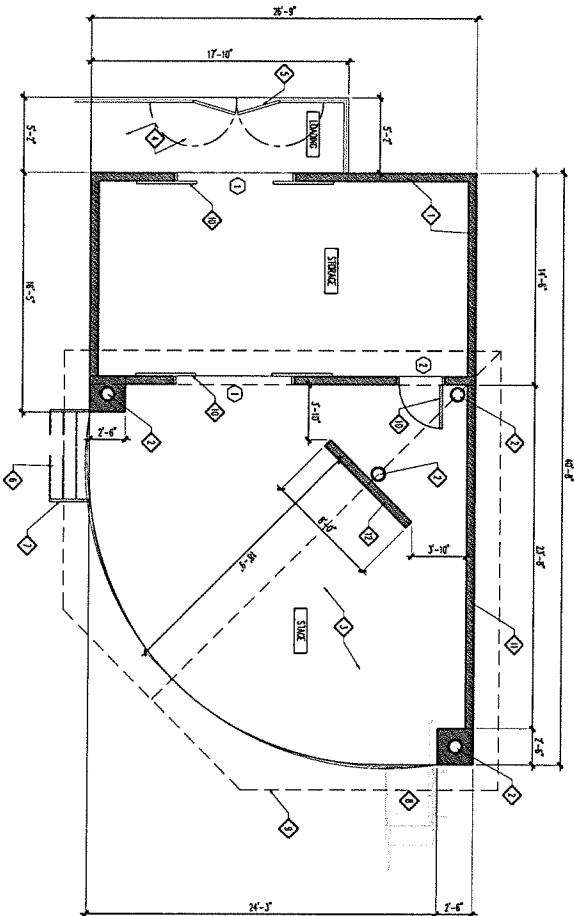
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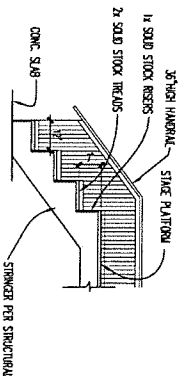
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- 5. 4" MEN. PLANKS WITH LANDING GATE
- 6. STAGE ACCESS STEPS
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- 8. THUMB 4" RASCO ACCESSIBLE PLATFORM LIFT. SEE SHEET A-4
- 9. LINE OF ROOF OVER
- 10. DOOR SET DOOR SCHEDULE
- 11. STAGE SCHEDING WALL 15'-10" TALL
- 12. STAGE WOOD WALL 10'-0" TALL



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STAGE NORTH

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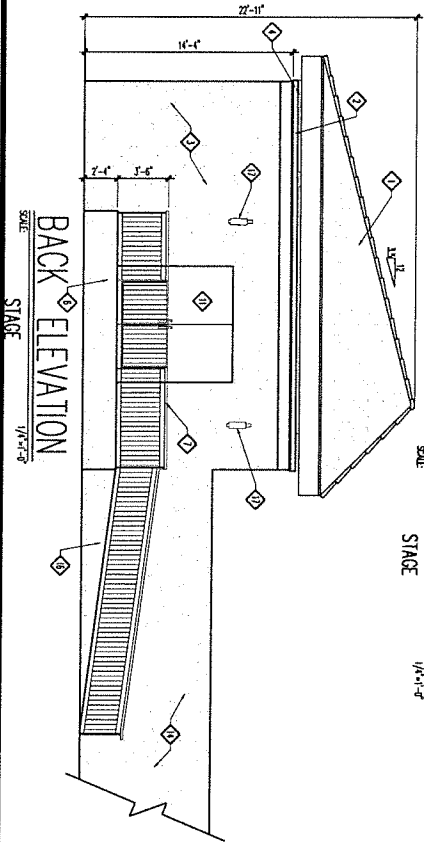
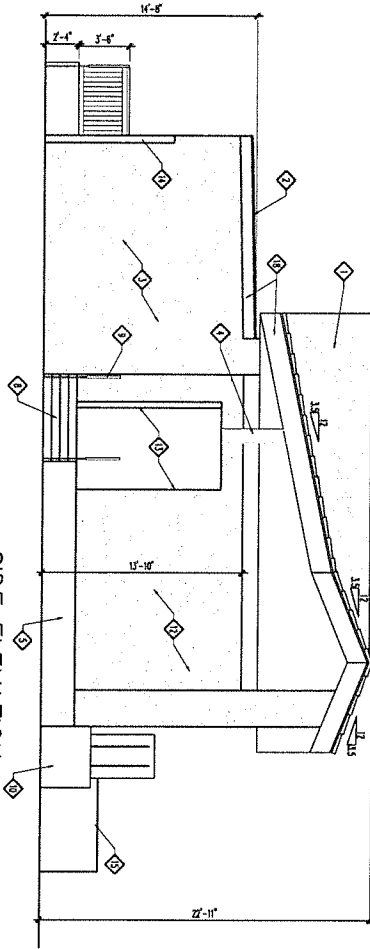
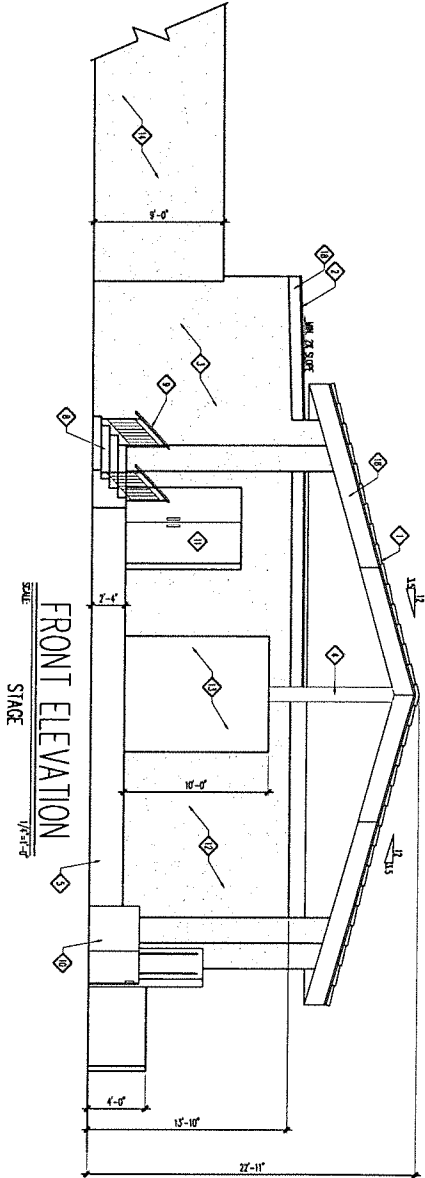
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ELEVATION NOTES

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- 2. MATCH EXISTING ROOF ON EXISTING STRUCTURES
- 3. BRICK, SPANISH BARREL, COLOR TUSCAN CLAY
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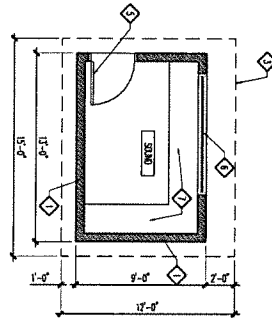
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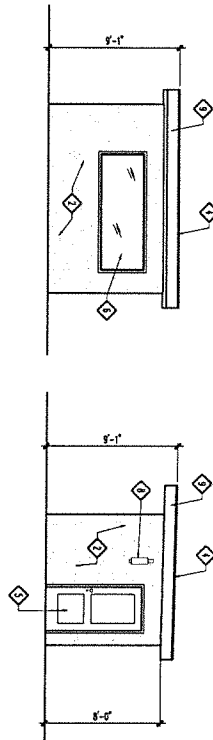
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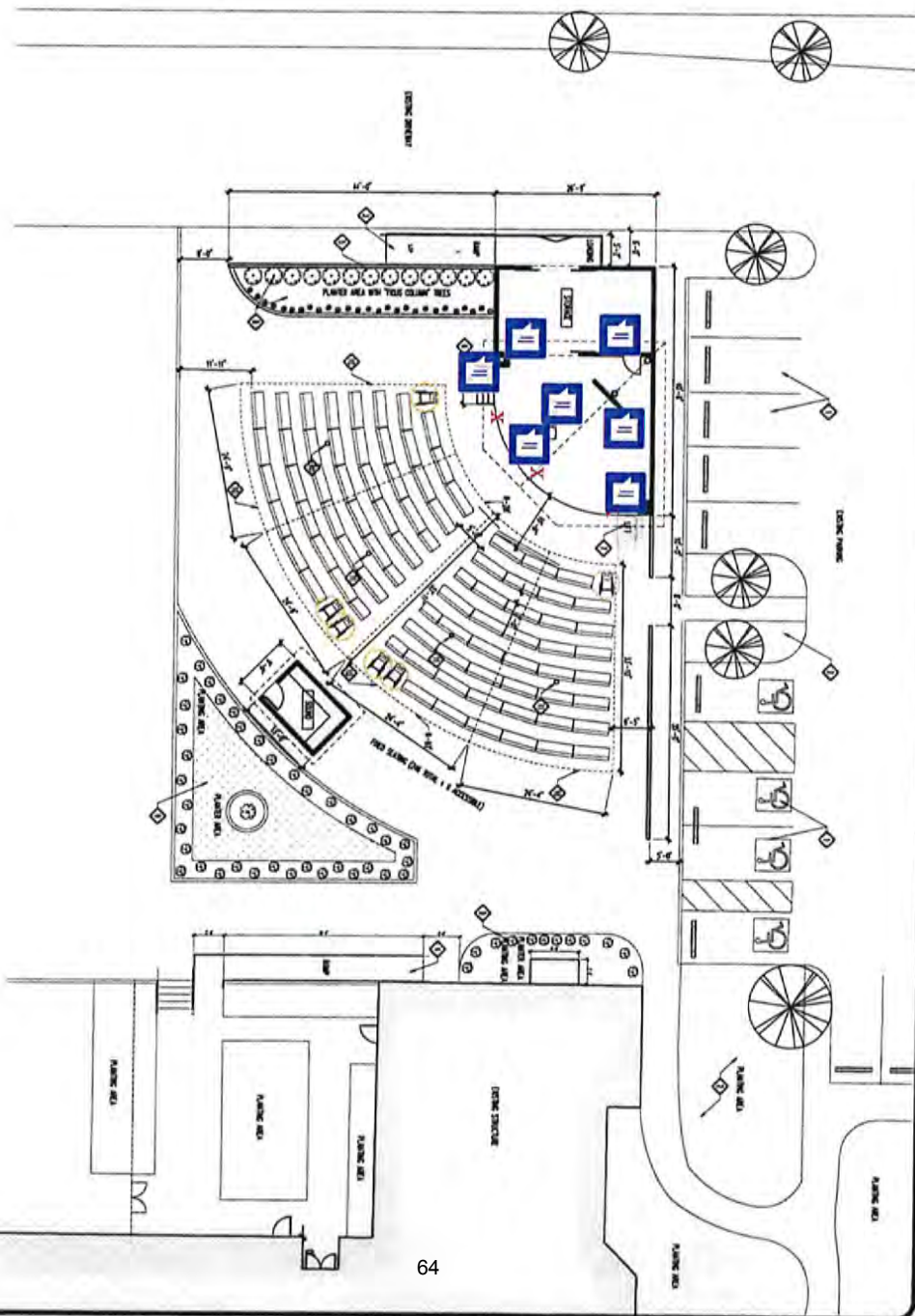
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AM7212/00

High Power 2-Way Loudspeaker with 1 x 2" LF

Professional Series

Key Features:

- ▶ 100° x 100° Coverage
- ▶ 2262H Differential Drive® Low-Frequency Driver
- ▶ 2432H High-Frequency Compression Driver
- ▶ Large PT™ Progressive Transition waveguide for excellent pattern control and low distortion
- ▶ Rotatable waveguide for vertical or horizontal orientation
- ▶ Bi-Amp/Passive Switchable
- ▶ Available in Black, White and WRC/WRX finishes

Applications:

- ▶ Performing Arts Facilities
- ▶ Theatrical Sound Design
- ▶ Auditoriums
- ▶ Worship Facilities
- ▶ Live Clubs
- ▶ Dance Clubs
- ▶ Sports Facilities
- ▶ Themed Entertainment Venues

The AM7212/00 is a high power, lightweight, 2-way, full-range loudspeaker system comprised of the JBL Differential Drive dual voice coil and dual magnetic gap 2262H 300mm (12 in) low-frequency driver and 2432H high-frequency 38 mm (1.5 in) exit, 75 mm (3 in) voice-coil compression driver. The large format Progressive Transition waveguide provides excellent 100° x 100° coverage. The waveguide is rotatable so the loudspeaker system can be used in either the vertical or horizontal orientation. High-slope passive networks minimize band overlap. Well-controlled off-axis response enhances arrayability.

The enclosure is constructed of multi-ply birch coated in JBL's rugged DuraFlex™ finish and is heavily braced to maximize low-frequency performance. The trapezoid enclosure is fitted with fifteen M10 threaded attachment points and utilizes a 14-gauge steel grille internally lined with acoustically transparent foam to provide additional driver protection and give a very professional appearance.

The AM7212/00 is part of JBL's AE Series, a versatile family of loudspeakers intended for a wide variety of applications.



Specifications:

System:	
Frequency Range ¹ (-10 dB):	36 Hz – 20 kHz
Frequency Response ² (±3 dB):	42 Hz – 20 kHz
Coverage Pattern:	100° x 100°
Directivity Factor (Q):	8.3
Directivity Index (DI):	9.1 dB
Crossover Modes:	Bi-amp/Passive switchable
Passive Crossover Frequency:	1.5 kHz
Transducer Power Rating (AES):	LF: 1000 W (1000 W peak), 2 hrs 700 W (2800 W peak), 100 hrs HF: 100 W (100 W peak), 2 hrs
Long-Term System Power Rating (IEC):	Passive mode: 600 W (2400 W peak), 100 hrs
Maximum SPL (dB-SPL, 1W @ 1m):	Bi-amp mode: LF: 126 dB-SPL, cont avg (132 dB peak) HF: 131 dB-SPL, cont avg (137 dB peak) Passive mode: 123 dB-SPL, cont avg (129 dB peak)
System Sensitivity ³ (1W @ 1m):	Passive mode: 95 dB SPL
Transducers:	
Low-Frequency Driver:	1 x JBL 2262H 300 mm (12 in) Differential Drive® driver with 75 mm (3 in) dual voice coil
Nominal Impedance:	8 ohms
Sensitivity (1W @ 1m, within operational band):	96 dB SPL
High-Frequency Driver:	JBL 2432H, 38 mm (1.5 in) exit compression driver, 75 mm (3 in) voice coil
Nominal Impedance:	8 ohms
Sensitivity (1W @ 1m):	111 dB SPL
Waveguide:	PT-111010HF-1
Physical:	
Enclosure:	Trapezoidal with 15 degree side angles, 16 mm (5/8 in) exterior grade 11-ply Finnish birch plywood
Suspension Attachment:	15 points (4 top, 4 bottom, 2 each side, 3 rear), M10 threaded hardware
Finish:	Black DuraFlex™ finish. White available upon request.
Grille:	Powder coated 14 gauge perforated steel, with acoustically transparent black foam backing
Input Connector:	NLA Neutrik Speakon® and CE-compliant covered barrier strip terminals. Barrier terminals accept up to 5.2 sq mm (10 AWG) wire or max width 9 mm (.375 in) spade lugs. Speakon in parallel with barrier strip for loop-through.
Environmental Specifications:	Mil-Std 810; IP-x3 per IEC529.
Dimensions (H x W x D in vertical cabinet orientation):	711 x 369 x 458 mm (28.0 x 14.5 x 18.0 in)
Net Weight:	23.1 kg (51 lb)
Optional Accessories:	M10 x 35 mm forged shoulder eyebolts with washers U-Bracket MTU-3

¹Bi-amp mode, with recommended active tuning.

²Resultant engineered acoustical response of crossover network and components.

³AES standard, one decade pink noise with 6 dB crest factor within device's operational band, free air. Standard AES 2 hr rating plus long-term 100 hr rating are specified for low-frequency transducers.

⁴IEC standard, full bandwidth pink noise with 6 dB crest factor, 100 hours.

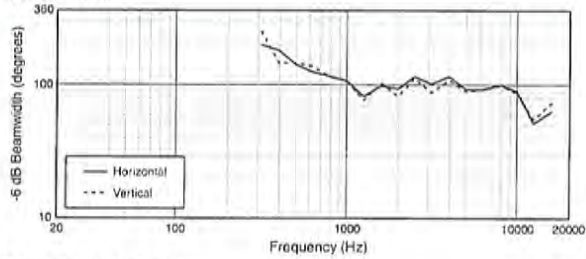
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⁶In free field with no sensitivity gain from boundary loading.

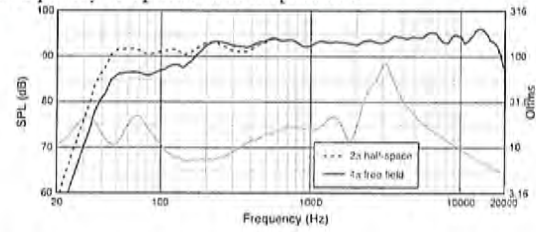
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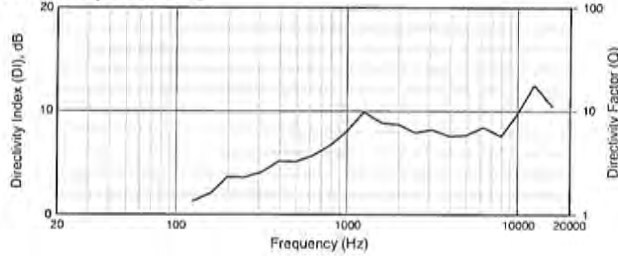
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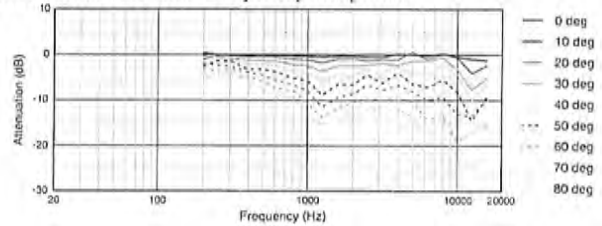
Frequency Response and Impedance



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Horizontal Off-Axis Frequency Response

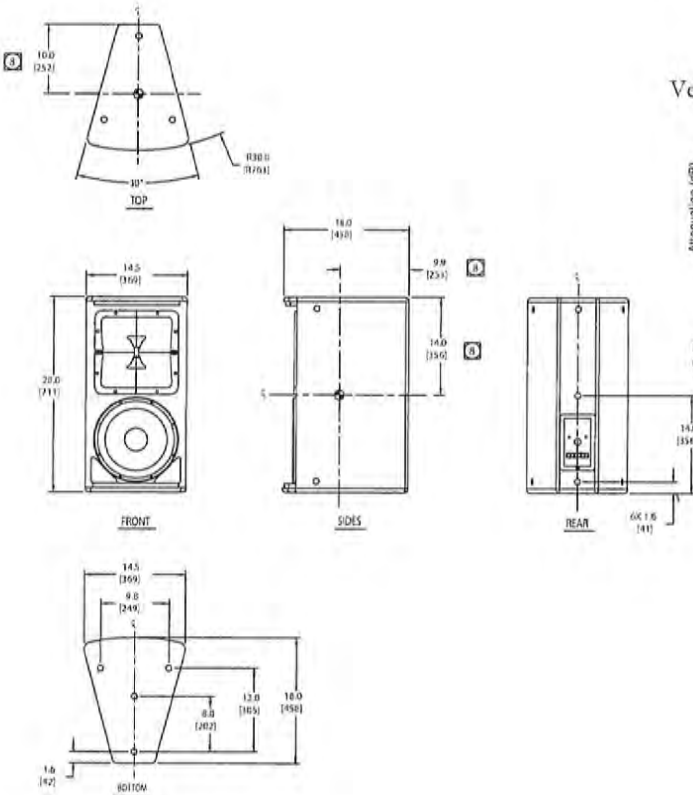


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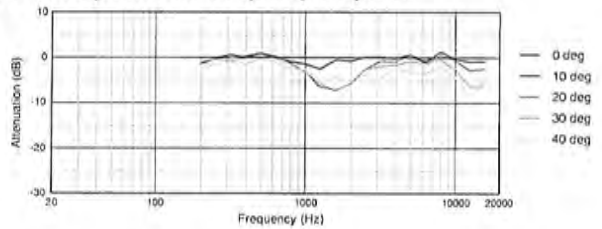
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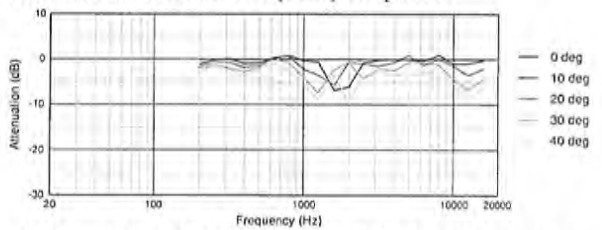
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Vertical Up Off-Axis Frequency Response

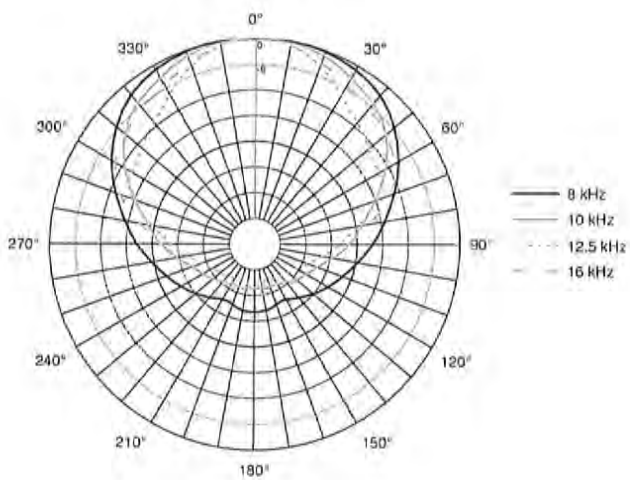
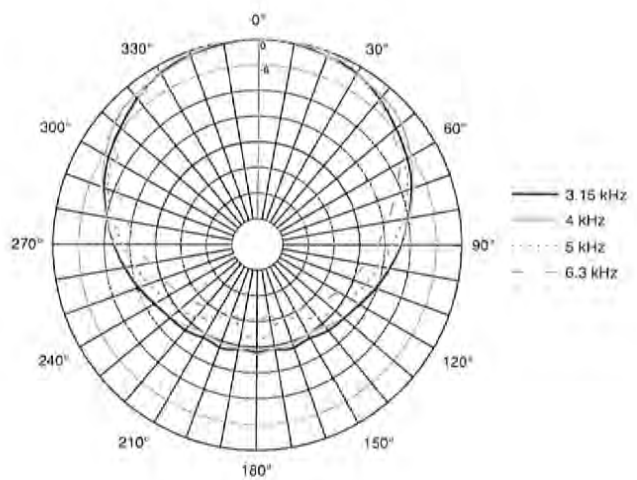
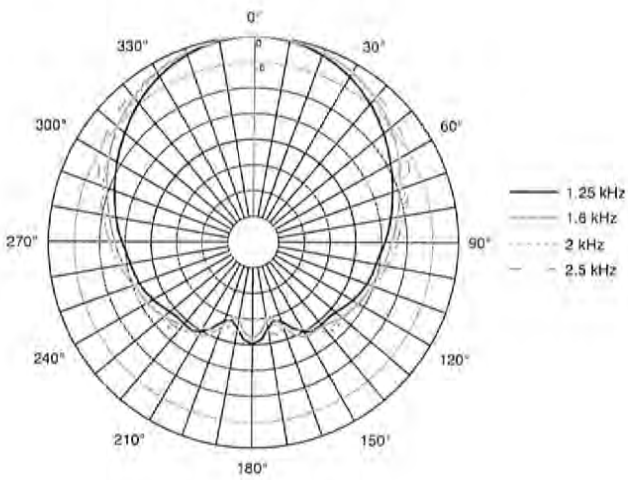
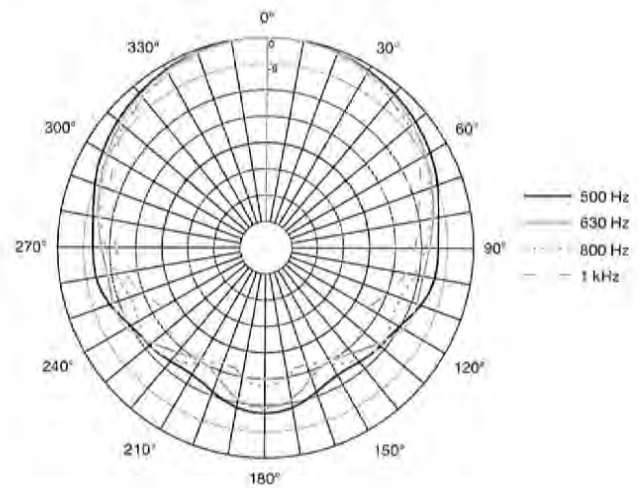
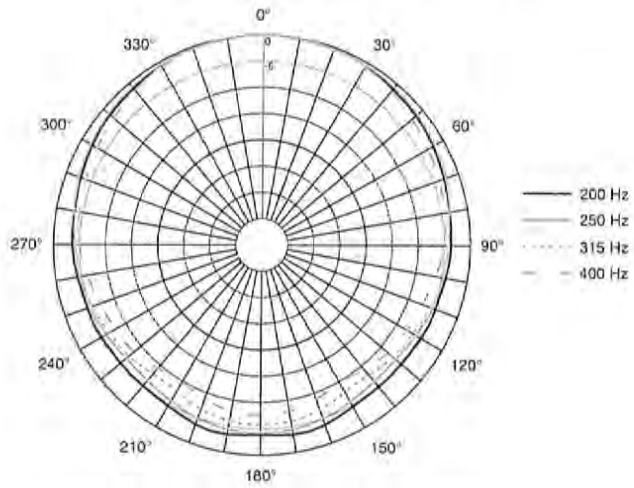


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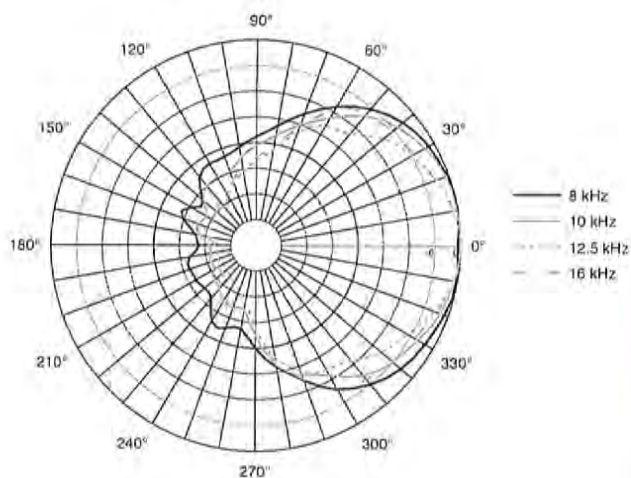
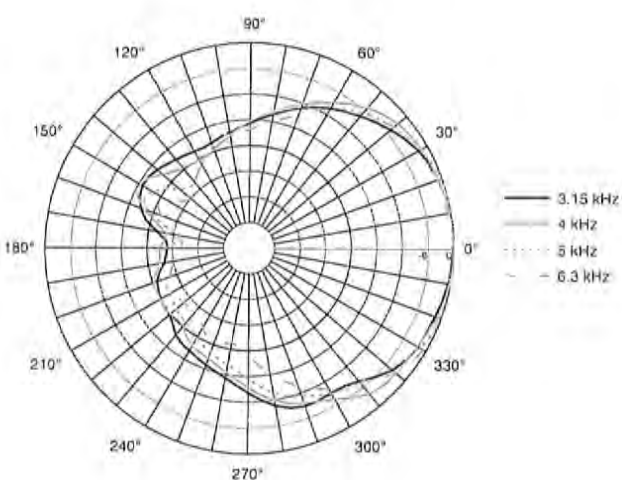
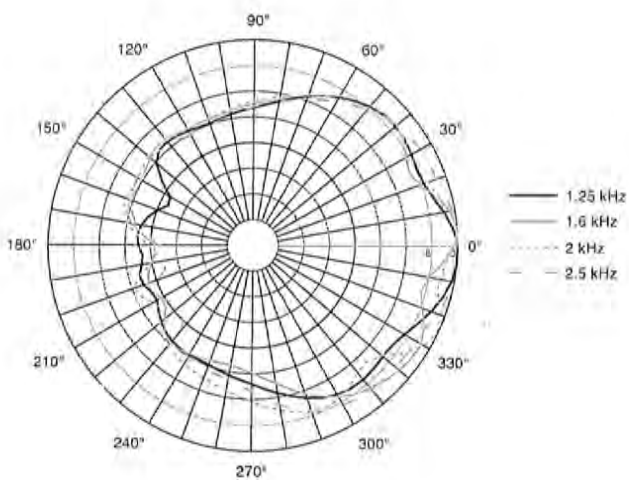
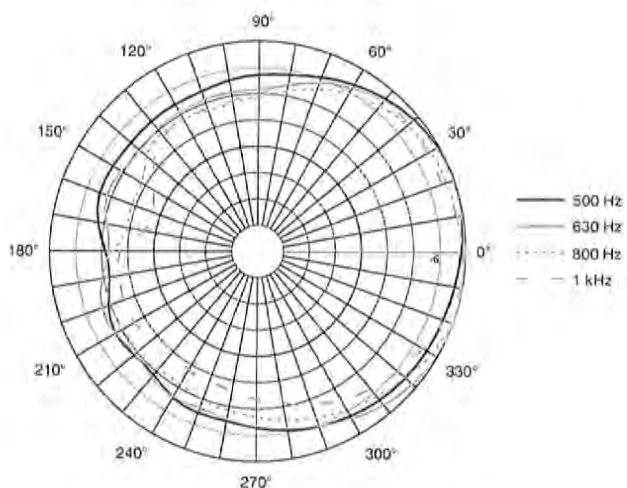
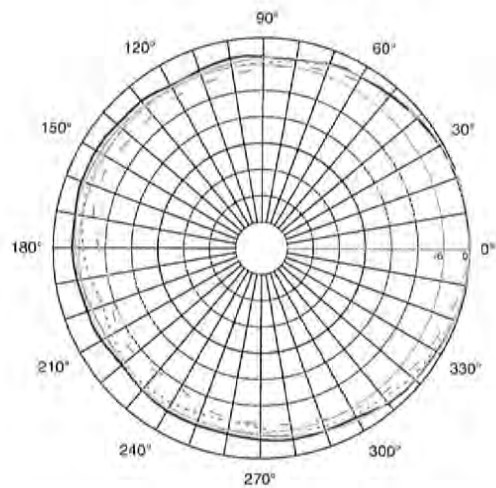
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Horizontal 1/3 Octave Polars



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Vertical 1/3 Octave Polars



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Features

- The latest technology based on Crown's proprietary and patented DriveCore™ technology, these amplifiers are the next generation of PWM technology using cutting edge Class D amplifier topologies
 - True Rack Density – power points of 300W or 600W in 2/4/8 channel configurations and 1250W in 2/4 channel configurations; includes bridgable outputs of 300-2500W, all in a 2U form factor, providing flexibility in designs
 - Minimum Guaranteed Power Ratings – DCi amplifiers are guaranteed to deliver at least the rated power in the specifications over a longer period of time than any other competing amplifier
 - Direct Drive "Constant Voltage" capabilities on a channel by channel basis for 70Vrms or 100Vrms amplification without the use of a step up frequency limiting transformer for higher audio quality
 - HiQnet Audio Architect™ supported amplifier
 - Advanced PFC universal power supply provides market-leading efficiency, and is designed to deliver maximum power no matter where the amplifier is located; Universal AC input accepts 100 – 240VAC, 50/60Hz ($\pm 10\%$)
 - DriveCore includes five patents that are also included in Crown's flagship touring amplifier I-Tech HD4, providing best-in-class versatility and durability
 - TCP/IP based protocol in HiQnet™ for network monitoring and control
 - Revolutionary cooling system focuses airflow on parts that need it most, maximizing efficiency while minimizing heat and noise
 - BLU link compatibility – low latency, fault tolerant, digital audio bus, capable of routing 256 channels using standard Category 5e cabling (over a distance of 100m between devices), provides an unprecedented level of routing flexibility
- Network Monitoring and Control features include:**
- Continuous Load Monitoring
 - Comprehensive Error Reporting
 - Pilot Tone Monitoring
 - Programmable General Purpose Input/Output (GPIO) Ports
- Digital Signal Processing (DSP) features include:**
- LevelMAX™ Limiters for Inputs and Outputs with Thermal Limiting
 - Input Compressor
 - Input and Output Delay
 - Input and Output EQ
 - Signal Generator
 - Crossover

INSTALLS ANYWHERE. OUTPERFORMS EVERYTHING.

DriveCore™ Install Network Series



8|600N model shown



4|1250N model shown



4|2400N model shown

Power Matrix

Model	Channels	2Ω	4Ω	8Ω	70Vrms	100Vrms
2 300N	2	150W	300W	300W	300W	300W
2 600N	2	300W	600W	600W	600W	600W
4 300N	4	150W	300W	300W	300W	300W
4 600N	4	300W	600W	600W	600W	600W
8 300N	8	150W	300W	300W	300W	300W
8 600N	8	300W	600W	600W	600W	600W
2 1250N	2	1250W	1250W	1250W	1250W	1250W
4 1250N	4	1250W	1250W	1250W	1250W	1250W
2 2400N	2	2100W	2400W	1900W	2100W	2300W
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Performance Specifications		2 300N	4 300N	8 300N	2 600N	4 600N	8 600N	2 1250N	4 1250N	2 2400N	4 2400N
Frequency Response	(8Ω, 20Hz - 20kHz)	-0.25dB									
BLU link Input Signal to Noise Ratio (A-Weighted)		>108dB									
Total Harmonic Distortion (at full rated power, 20Hz - 20kHz)		0.3%									
Voltage Gain (at Maximum Level Setting)		34dB									
Damping Factor (20Hz to 100Hz)		>1000	>1600	>1000	>1000	>1000	>1000	>1500	>1500	>5000	>5000
Input Impedance (nominal balanced, unbalanced)		10kΩ, SLD									
Maximum Input Level before Compression (low Gain Mode)		-20dBV									
Load Impedance Stereo/Dual Mode		70 - 16Ω, 70Vrms and 100Vrms									
Load Impedance Bridge Mono		4Ω - 16Ω, 140Vrms and 200Vrms									
Cooling	Continuously variable speed forced air, front to back or flow										
Maximum Fan Noise (re dBs SPL @ 1m)		45	45	47	45	45	47	45	47	-	-
Required AC Mains (±10%)		120Vrms - 240Vrms, -50/60Hz									
Power Connector		15A IEC	15A IEC	15A IEC	15A IEC	15A IEC	20A IEC	15A IEC	20A IEC	20A IEC	35A IEC/30-50V Reg
Physical Specifications											
Width		19 in (48.3 cm)									
Height		3.5 in (8.9 cm)									
Depth		14.25 in (35.63 cm) DCI 8 600N & 4 1250N, 17 in (42.5 cm) DCI 2 2400N & 4 2400N, 19 in (48.3 cm)									
Weight		DCI 2 300N & 2 600N: 18 lbs (8.2 kg) DCI 4 300N & 4 600N: 20 lbs (9.1 kg) DCI 8 300N & 2 1250N: 23.5 lbs (10.6 kg) DCI 8 600N & 4 1250N: 30 lbs (13.6 kg) DCI 2 2400N: 24 lbs (11.0 kg) 4 2400N: 29 lbs (13.1 kg)									



ASB6115

High Power
Single 15" Subwoofer

Professional Series

Key Features:

- ▶ 2265H-1 15" Differential Drive* dual voice coil dual gap, neodymium magnet transducer
- ▶ 800 watts continuous pink noise, 3200 watts peak power handling capacity
- ▶ Large vent area for high output with low distortion
- ▶ For ground-stacked or suspended applications in stand-alone arrays or in combination with other AE Series products

Applications:

- ▶ Performing Arts Facilities
- ▶ Theatrical Sound Design
- ▶ Auditoriums
- ▶ Worship Facilities
- ▶ Live Clubs
- ▶ Dance Clubs
- ▶ Sports Facilities
- ▶ Themed Entertainment Venues

The ASB6115 is a high power, lightweight front-loaded vented subwoofer enclosure housing JBL's 2265H-1 Differential Drive* dual voice coil dual gap 15" woofer. This woofer features neodymium magnet and ultra robust cone for extra long life.

The enclosure is constructed of multiply hardwood coated in JBL's rugged DuraFlex™ finish and is heavily braced to maximize low-frequency performance. The rectangular enclosure is fitted with sixteen M10 threaded attachment points and utilizes a 14-gauge steel grille internally lined with acoustically transparent foam to provide additional driver protection and give a very professional appearance.

The ASB6115 is part of JBL's AE Series, a versatile family of loudspeakers intended for a wide variety of applications.



Specifications:

System:

Frequency Range (-10 dB):	32 Hz - 1 kHz
Frequency Response (± 3 dB):	42 Hz - 1 kHz
Transducer Power Rating ¹ :	800 W (3200 W peak), 2 hrs.
Long-Term System Power Rating ² :	675 W (2700 W peak), 100 hrs.
Maximum SPL (1m):	35 Hz - 400 Hz: 126 dB-SPL, cont avg (132 dB peak)
System Sensitivity ³ :	35 Hz - 400 Hz: 97 dB-SPL, 1W (2.83V) @ 1m
Nominal Impedance:	8 ohms

Transducers:

Low Frequency Driver:	1 x 2265H-1, 380 mm (15 in) dia., 75 mm (3 in) Dual Coil Dual Gap neodymium Differential Drive* driver
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Physical:

Enclosure:	Rectangular cabinet, 16 mm (5/8 in) exterior grade 11-ply birch plywood
Suspension Attachment:	16 points (4 top, 4 bottom, 4 each side), M10 threaded hardware
Finish:	Black DuraFlex™ finish. White available upon request.
Grille:	Powder coated 14 gauge perforated steel, with acoustically transparent black foam backing.
Input Connector:	NL4 Neutrik Speakon® and CE-compliant covered barrier strip terminals. Barrier terminals accept up to 5.2 sq mm (10 AWG) wire or max width 9 mm (.375 in) spade lugs. Speakon in parallel with barrier strip for loop-through.
Environmental Specifications:	Mil-Std 810; IP-x3 per IEC529.
Dimensions (H x W x D in vertical cabinet orientation):	483 x 419 x 597 mm (19.0 x 16.5 x 23.5 in)
Net Weight:	20.6 kg (45.5 lb)
Optional Accessories:	M10 x 35 mm forged shoulder eyebolts with washers.

¹AES standard, one decade pink noise with 6 dB crest factor within device's operational band, free air. Standard AES 2 hr rating plus long-term 100 hr rating are specified for low-frequency transducers.

²AES standard, one decade pink noise with 6 dB crest factor, in cabinet, long-term 100 hr rating.

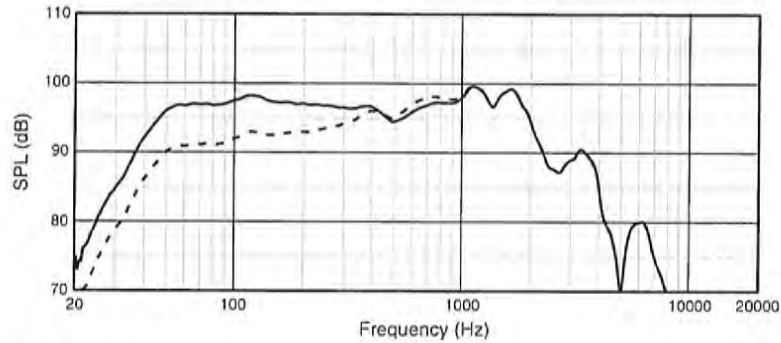
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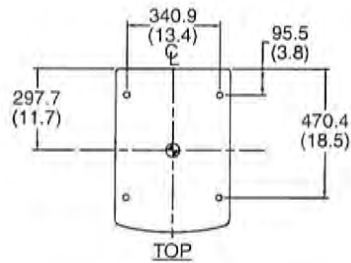
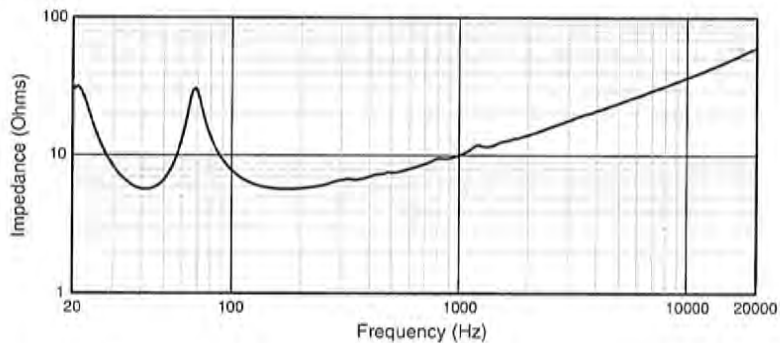
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▶ ASB6115 High Power Single 15" Subwoofer

Frequency response is measured on-axis at a distance referenced to 1 m @ 1 watt (2.83 Vrms) input, shown as half-space (2π , solid line) and full-space (4π , dotted line) environment.



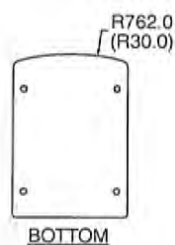
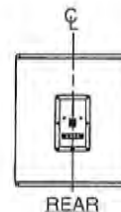
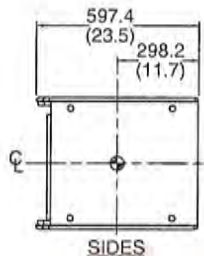
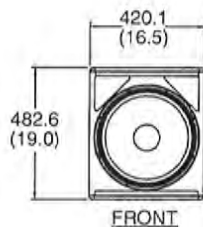
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Dimensions in mm (in).

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2. (2) PARKING (IMP)
3. (3) DRIVEWAY
4. (4) PUBLIC ROAD EXISTENT IMPROVEMENT NO. 88-050205
5. (5) PUBLIC ROAD EXISTENT IMPROVEMENT NO. 88-010451
6. (6) SIDEWALK EXISTENT OF THE CITY OF SAN VALLEY
7. (7) ADDRESS NUMBER PER DEC 3012
8. (8) FENCE EXISTENT OF THE CITY OF SAN VALLEY
9. (9) 27' DEPOSED PLANTING EXISTENT OF THE CITY OF SAN VALLEY
10. (10) MONUMENT SIGN
11. (11) TREE PLANT TO PRESERVE
12. (12) ACCESSIBLE ROUTE NO. CHANGING 24' (MIN. CROSS SLOPE 1%)
13. (13) EXISTING STRUCTURE TO REMAIN
14. (14) PLAY STRUCTURE TO REMAIN
15. (15) RAMP NO CHANGE
16. (16) FENCE BLOCK FENCE - NO CHANGE
17. (17) TOWER EXISTING STRUCTURE TO REMAIN
18. (18) DRIVE - NO CHANGE
19. (19) LOADING - NO CHANGE
20. (20) FENCE BLOCK FENCE - NO CHANGE
21. (21) ALL STAIRS ARE STAIRWIDE SIDE WALK
22. (22) ACCESSIBLE ROUTE
23. (23) PLAY STAIR TO REMAIN
24. (24) FENCE PLANT TO PRESERVE
25. (25) 20' SIDE WALK WITH STAIRS
26. (26) RAMP
27. (27) EXISTING STONE BRIDGE EXISTENT (LOCAL NO. 2000-0077200)
28. (28) LOT 131 OF TRACT NO. 1201-3 STORM SEWER EXISTENT

LOT DESCRIPTION:

APN: 644-0-00-005
RE ZONING: LOT: A
LOT SIZE: 274,280 SQ. FT. (6.25 AC)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

NEW OUTDOOR WORSHIP AREA - 511 ST. COUNCIL STREET AREA WITH 300 ST. STORM SEWER ATTACHED, AND 111 ST. STORM SEWER STRUCTURE. FLOOD ELEVATION OF 216 + 8 ACCESSIBLE SPACES PROVIDED. ADDITIONAL STORMING WALLS AND LOADING PLATFORM BOUND STORAGE.

VICINITY MAP



Minutes
STATED SESSION MEETING
February 16, 2021

The Moderator, Pastor Jon Saur, called the Stated Session meeting of StoneBridge Community Church to order at 7:03pm. The meeting was held via Zoom on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

ROLL

Elders Present: Rick Cadruvi, Derek Castellano, Kevin Coe, Danielle Davis, Paul Dixon, Mark Gupton, Jeff Rohrer, Josh Romanelli, Andy Siditsky, Andy Thompson, Scott Thompson, Kim Vasquez, Tim Whitmore, and Mike Wilcox

Elders Absent or Excused: Jennifer Zaragoza

Others Present:

The Moderator declared a **quorum present** as reflected by the roll. Pastor Jon Saur **opened the meeting in prayer**.

Treasurer's Report: Kevin Coe presented the Treasurer's Report. Detailed financial statements on file in the church office. **Session approved** the report.

GENERAL FUND	Jan. – 21 Actual	Jan. – 21 Budget
GF Contributions		
General Income	\$69,341	\$75,000
Other Income	\$33	\$35
Total Income	\$69,374	\$75,035
GF Expenses		
Program Ministry	\$3,910	\$7,018
Missions/Global Ministries	\$0	\$0
Admin & Office	\$3,041	\$6,008
Insurance	\$0	\$0
Buildings & Grounds	\$4,181	\$4,020
Salaries/Benefits	\$60,964	\$52,535
Utilities	\$4,024	\$3,396
Total Expenses	\$76,121	\$72,977
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$6,747)	\$2,058

Session approved the Consent Agenda dated 2/16/21 made as an attachment of these minutes.

Ministry Team Reports:

Adult Ministries

Consent Agenda.

Buildings and Grounds

Consent Agenda. Derek Castellano- elaborated on roof damage. Wind event in January, tile damage to Sanctuary and Chapel. Jan Carr is looking into getting extra tiles.

Reopening Team – Discussions had with regards to how we can provide memorial services for people. One thought is to have an outdoor memorial that dovetails an outdoor worship service to save on set up. No action items.

Children's Ministry

Consent Agenda.

Construction Oversight Committee (COC)

Presented idea to session, (made as an attachment to these minutes) for an outdoor/open air worship facility on the pad. **Session unanimously approved** NTE \$20K to work with an architect to design an outdoor/open air worship facility.

First and Lasting Impressions

No report.

Mission Ministry

Global Missions: Consent Agenda

Local: Consent Agenda

Personnel/Administration

Josh Romanelli reported. Hired Steve Malinowski as our Church Accountant. No action items.

Worship Arts

Consent Agenda.

Youth Ministry

Andy Thompson reported. Started meeting during outdoor worship services in the beginning of February. Spaces are limited to keep everyone safe. Continuing online youth group.

Report of the Deacons

Consent Agenda.

Presbytery Report

Consent Agenda.

Pastor's Report

Jonathan – Stephanie is celebrating two years at StoneBridge, Lee is celebrating 1 year at StoneBridge. Talked about new employees and doing ministry during the pandemic. Stephanie and Olivia are doing a great job, keeping things creative.

Jon – Talked about creating every other week video updates with Jonathan as a way to communicate with the congregation. New podcast is up and running. Kudos to Lee for the sound quality.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Elder Andy Thompson and adjourned at 8:22pm.

Attested to by:

Sally Thompson
Clerk of Session

Minutes
STATED SESSION MEETING
September 21, 2021

The Moderator, Pastor Jon Saur, called the Stated Session meeting of StoneBridge Community Church to order at 7:04pm. The meeting was held at StoneBridge on Tuesday, September 21, 2021.

ROLL

Elders Present: Rick Cadruvi, Derek Castellano, Kevin Coe, Danielle Davis, Mark Gupton, Michael Purvis, Andy Thompson, Scott Thompson, Kim Vasquez, Tim Whitmore, Mike Wilcox, and Jennifer Zaragoza

Elders Absent or Excused: Shannon Rohrer, Kelly Ross, and Andy Siditsky

Others present: Jason Leedy, chair of the COC.

The Moderator declared a **quorum present** as reflected by the roll. Pastor Jon Saur **opened the meeting in prayer**.

Treasurer's Report: Kevin Coe presented the Treasurer's Report. Detailed financial statements on file in the church office. Andy Thompson moved, Kim Vasquez seconded, and **Session unanimously approved** the report.

GENERAL FUND	Aug. – 21 Actual	Aug. – 21 Budget
GF Contributions		
General Income	\$94,334	\$73,950
Other Income	\$1,029	\$35
Total Income	\$95,363	\$73,985
GF Expenses		
Program Ministry	\$5,332	\$7,717
Missions/Global Ministries	\$6,421	\$6,421
Admin & Office	\$4,420	\$6,567
Tax & Insurance	\$0	\$80
Buildings & Grounds	\$778	\$5,695
Salaries/Benefits	\$40,935	\$46,213
Utilities	\$5,709	\$5,030
Total Expenses	\$63,595	\$77,723
Surplus (Deficit)	\$31,768	(\$3,738)

Andy Thompson moved, Mark Gupton seconded, and **Session unanimously approved** the Consent Agenda dated 9/21/21 made as an attachment of these minutes.

Ministry Team Reports:

Adult Ministries

Consent Agenda.

Buildings and Grounds

Consent Agenda.

Children's Ministry

Pastor Jonathan reported that Ms. Stephanie is taking lead on the Halloween Party scheduled for Saturday, October 30th. No action items.

Construction Oversight Committee (COC)

Session invited Jason Leedy to the meeting to make a presentation on behalf of the COC. Jason presented conceptual drawings for an outdoor worship space to be located on the north side of the pad (made a part of these minutes). Once formal application is made with the city, recommends communication with congregation and neighbors. Andy Thompson moved, Derek Castellano seconded, and **session unanimously approved** a request for NTE \$75,000 of Reach funds to be used for city application and design process.

First and Lasting Impressions

Tim Whitmore will be the elder representative. No action items.

Media, Marketing, & Messaging

Consent Agenda.

Mission Ministry

Global Missions: Consent Agenda.

Local: No report.

Personnel/Administration

No report.

Reopening Team

Derek Castellano reported. The team continues to meet regularly and monitor covid numbers in Ventura County. Discussing change in worship service times as time change draws near. No action items.

Worship Arts

Consent Agenda.

Youth Ministry

No report.

Youth Search Team

Danielle Davis reported. The team is making an offer to a candidate this week. No action items.

Report of the Deacons

Consent Agenda.

Presbytery Report

Pastor Jon reported. The Presbytery is moving forward with hiring an Executive Presbyter.

Senior Pastor's Report

Pastor Jon reported and is excited about the Finance Team starting. Recording StoneBridge Extras for 6 weeks, starts this weekend.

Mark moved, Danielle seconded, and **session unanimously approved** an administrative commission for the upcoming Membership Discernment class. The AC will consist of Pastor Jon, Rick Cadruvi, Mike Wilcox, and Derek Castellano as an alternate. Responsible for approving new members.

Associate Pastor's Report

Pastor Jonathan reported on things to celebrate in the life of the church:

- o Outdoor Worship Facility – God's timing on moving forward.
- o Final candidate for Youth Director
- o Growth Groups, specifically Kelly Ross leading a young adults group with 9 people attending
- o Possible Golf Tournament for StoneBridge

The meeting was closed in prayer by Pastor Jonathan and adjourned at 8:24pm.

Attested to by:
Sally Thompson
Clerk of Session



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May 4, 2023

Rev. Mark E. Hong
Executive/Stated Clerk
The Synod of Southern California & Hawaii
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Westchester, CA 90045

Dear Mark,

The Riverside Presbytery presents the attached grants for funding from then Synod's Partnering Grant funds for the Riverside Presbytery. As you will see from the attached documents, the Presbytery has developed a formal process for reviewing member church grant applications and following up on awarded grants.

The documents attached:

Attachment 1: an explanation of Riverside's process for soliciting and vetting the grants

Attachment 2: Riverside's evaluation criteria for each grant

The individual grant applications will follow.

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for these Synod funds. We look forward to hearing the results of the review process at Synod.

Sincerely,

The Rev. Paul Knopf, Temporary Stated Clerk

Attachment 1: Riverside Presbytery's Support of Churches Receiving

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii Presbyterian Church Congregational Partnering Grants

Background/Timeline/Continuing Support:

- In late 2022 Riverside Presbytery worked to make all churches aware of the Congregational Partnering Grants Program through announcements and emails.
- On January 17, 2023, a workshop was offered to answer questions about the Congregational Partnering Grant Protocols and to explain the process approved by the Presbytery Commission for receiving and approving the grants in Riverside Presbytery.
- The churches were notified that applications needed to be received by Riverside Presbytery's Office Manager by February 7th to be voted on at the March 11 Presbytery Assembly Meeting. This date was given in order for all churches to have the opportunity to apply and be given equal consideration in case the funds were all used up after this meeting.
- A Synod Partnering Grants Task Force was created to review the applications. They worked diligently and provided the Presbytery Commission with a cover letter and a chart with recommendations.
- The Task Force recommendations were received and endorsed by the Presbytery Commission on February 16th.
- The Task Force recommendations, endorsed by the Presbytery Commission, were approved by the Presbytery Assembly on March 11th.
- We anticipate these grants (endorsed by the Riverside Presbytery Assembly) will go to the Synod Partnering Grant Task Force on May 10th and the Committee of Assembly on June 3rd.
- The Presbytery Commission met April 20th and decided that follow up and evaluation will fall under the Riverside Partner's in Ministry Committee.

Draft Minutes of the March 11, 2023 Presbytery Meeting: Synod Grants

Item 26 from the Consent Agenda was removed in order to correct the amounts awarded because the total was \$1,133.67 more than was available to the Presbytery in the Synod Partnering Grants. Magnolia Presbyterian Church volunteered to reduce their grant request by the amount needed to bring the total in line with available funds. It was moved to amend the proposal as follows:

1. **Approve** Synod Partnering Grant requests as recommended by the SPG Task Force and PC (recommendation attached).
Beaumont - \$12,000; El Buen Pastor \$20,000; Hemet \$10,000; Lake Arrowhead \$7,400; Riverside Magnolia \$87,446.33; Northkirk \$1,269; Ridgecrest \$20,226; San Bernardino \$20,525

These amounts equal the remainder of the Synod Partnering Grant funds and with this approval (and subsequent Synod approval), would exhaust those funds.

The amendment was approved.

MSP

The approval of the grant recommendations was approved.

MSP

Attachment 2: Presbytery Synod Partnering Grants Evaluation

Beaumont

Evaluation: the church will report to PIM when work is completed and provide digital pictures to share with Presbytery. The church will be asked to report in writing the increased use by the community.

Specific assistance: The PIM Committee will ask the Presbytery PFIFD Commission (finance) to be available to consult with the church as they bid or hire contractors.

El Buen Pastor

Evaluation: the AC reports regularly to the Presbytery Assembly the progress and events of the ministry. Appoint two people to monitor the church's timetable and spending.

Financial: The Presbytery Assembly voted at its March 11, 2023 meeting to provide \$22,000 to support this ministry.

Specific Assistance: The AC works closely with Lazaro supervising and encouraging the various ministry projects. The Presbytery Leader meets one to two times per month with Lazaro for check-in and conversation and is in regular communication with the head of the AC.

Hemet

Evaluation: the church will report to PIM when work is completed and provide digital pictures to share with Presbytery.

Specific assistance: PIM will appoint a two-member team that will keep in contact with the Session/church to follow the steps in the process of installing the solar system. Presently, the church has an HPCC-appointed moderator who provides monthly updates at the HPCC meeting.

Lake Arrowhead

Evaluation: Is the equipment installed and working? The church will report to PIM when work is completed and provide digital pictures to share with Presbytery.

Specific assistance: Lake Arrowhead was an enabling church in the Presbytery during the Covid lockdowns. They provided a Presbytery-wide workshop via Zoom to explain how churches could use Zoom to broadcast worship services. They have consulted with other churches in the Presbytery in the purchase and setup of broadcast equipment. There are other people in the Presbytery that could provide technical assistance if the church needs it.

Magnolia

Evaluation and specific assistance: The church has been very transparent about its fundraising and rebuilding. PIM will appoint two people from PFIFD from the Presbytery responsible to monitor the fundraising and report to PIM as appropriate.

Northkirk

Evaluation: Is the system installed and working. Schedule and complete the workshop.

Specific assistance: Act as a resource to announce the workshop and provide assistance as needed.

Ridgecrest

Evaluation: Appoint two people to monitor the church's timetable.

Specific assistance: The Presbytery has volunteers with technical expertise that will consult with the church.

San Bernardino

Evaluation: Appoint two people to monitor the church's timetable.

Grant Application
Presbyterian Church Congregational Partnering Grant Program
Beaumont Presbyterian Church
February 3, 2023

“And the Wall Came Tumbling Down!”

Beaumont Presbyterian Church (BPC) is the oldest church in our community having started as an adult Sunday school class meeting weekly under the shade of a fig tree back in 1884. We serve within the bounds of the Presbytery of Riverside. We are seeking a partnering grant to help us with a project that will enable us to further engage and serve and be a blessing for our local community and community partners.

We would like to remove a wall between two classrooms to create a multipurpose space in order to lovingly serve groups of 60 people or less.

Requested Grant Amount: \$12,500

Why Do We Want to Do This?

Our sanctuary is almost always used for approximately **1 hour** no matter what the event. We have 2 Sunday morning services in English and a 3rd Sunday morning service by a nesting congregation in Korean each for 1 hour. Weddings and memorial services in the sanctuary are also approximately 1 hour.

The social hall, on the other hand is typically used for each event from **2 to 8 hours**. We frequently need to decline opportunities to host groups or need to postpone memorial services as the social hall is already booked. **Almost all of these missed opportunities for service and engagement could have been accommodated on the requested date if the proposed multipurpose space had been available.**

In the last 3 years, we have had over 50 memorial services for church related families, with Saturday the most requested day for a service. Some Saturdays are not available as the social hall is already engaged. It is not uncommon for the Social Hall to be engaged every Saturday of the month with 1 activity or another. Using the sanctuary 2 or 3 times on the same day is not a problem. It is the lack of a secondary multipurpose space which limits the additional service we could be providing our community.

When we make our social hall available, one of the great benefits is the relationships we build. In some cases, those relationships have been the beginning of a journey leading eventually to church membership. A great number of people found themselves at an event in our social hall long before they ever had any intentions of entering our sanctuary and worshipping with us.

Our Current Social Hall Use:

We already have an impressive track record of sharing our space with community partners and regional partners and families in need. The proposed grant will multiply the faithful sharing we are already doing. We were thanked by our local city manager only last month for sharing our space with the community in countless ways.

Our church is centrally located for many people in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties and lies only a minute away from both the 10 and 60 freeways. We have been frequently used by groups for regional meetings. Our social hall is also a valued resource for our local community and local community groups. We have generously shared our social hall with others in the community as much as we possibly can.

Here are some of the ways we make use of our current social hall space:

Community Groups that Have Used the Social Hall:

Table of Plenty:

During the last 23 years we have served well over 250,000 free meals in the social hall on Wednesday afternoons in partnership with Table of Plenty. (The leadership and volunteers of Table of Plenty are primarily members of our church family.) The hall is also regularly a source of local and County Services for the homeless and low income individuals with agency representatives present when our free meals are served. (It would be really great to be able to have other activities going on at the same time in the future multipurpose room.) Our primary Sunday school room is now located in the adjoining nursery. We now have “Wednesday Sunday School” during the time we serve our free meal. The number of children increases when school is not in session. The student with the best attendance is from El Salvador. His older sisters join him when they are on vacation. Much of the food is donated to us by local businesses and community groups. This last year, we started receiving food donations weekly from our local Boys and Girls Clubs.

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Rotary Club:

Our local Rotary club met in our hall for their weekly meetings for 2 years and continues to meet in our hall once a month for their board meetings and occasionally for evening social events. Rotary promotes “service above self” and they support helpful projects in the community and around the world.

Rotary Youth Leadership high school seniors meet in our hall each year several times to prepare to lead a camp for high school juniors from San Bernardino and Riverside counties. Once a month, a group of about 30 high school seniors descend on our hall from all directions for these meetings.

A Rotary **high school regional spelling bee** is scheduled to return again to our social hall next month. This is a large regional gathering.

A Rotary district wide **Leadership Training for Adults** is scheduled in our social hall again in two months. This will be their 4th time using our hall in the last few years.

Rotary held a **Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser** cooking in our hall with parking lot pickup for youth scholarships.

Rotary cooked a **Senior Thanksgiving Dinner** in our hall kitchen for pickup or delivery last year.

Beaumont Unified School District:

Our local school district administrators met in our hall and classrooms several times to promote a community school bond. The school board presented the church with a certificate in appreciation for our partnership at a school board meeting. The current and last two school superintendents have all thanked me personally and given recognition to the church in public forums for our support.

Catch a Star Theater Group:

Our local community theater group is now partnering with us and held 12 performances in our social hall last year. In their last performance, they brought Patsy Cline to our hall with a full band and a social hall packed with local community members for every performance. Next month, they will have 8 performances with full band featuring Judy Garland, Liza Minnelli, Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin.

The American Bavarian Brass Band:

We have an 18 piece Bavarian brass band that practices in our hall and plays for our October church fellowship dinner each year and whenever else we want.

St. Stephens Episcopal Church and First Christian Church:

We have let our local Episcopal Church use our kitchen to prepare food for their events numerous times. We have let our local Disciples of Christ Church use our hall for fellowship dinners on several occasions.

Kings Table Ministries:

We have let this organization hold fundraisers in our hall. (KTM provides assistance with utilities and rent and also helps some immigrant families.)

Formerly Incarcerated Women and their Children Shelter:

In the past before their relocation we had let them use the hall for dinners, fundraisers, meeting space and other functions.

Young Champions Cheer Group and Young Champions Karate Group:

Cheer practice for girls. (Several have come to our Vacation Bible School.)
Karate practice for children. (Several have come to our Vacation Bible School.)

The Girl Scouts of America:

They have sold cookies in the social hall on Sunday mornings in the past.

Lifestream Blood Bank:

They held a community blood drive in our hall.

Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon:

In the past, both groups held separate meetings in our hall.

Hard of Hearing Support Group:

They met in our hall for years before disbanding.

Quilting Group:

Met in our hall for years before disbanding.

Community Art Group:

Held their annual art show in our hall before the pandemic three years in a row.

Habitat for Humanity:

Their offices are on church property. They hold community meetings in our hall.

Sun Lakes Country Club Chorale:

Sun Lakes is a large, gated community. Their chorale practiced in our hall during renovations at SLCC. They later sang for us in worship and several members joined our choir for Christmas Eve service before the pandemic. Two other retirement communities have also used our hall on occasion.

We recently held a community and school safety meeting in the social hall led by the local police department and fire department for the local community.

How The Church Uses the Social Hall:

Over the last 89 years, literally thousands of memorial receptions, wedding receptions, Quinceaneras, birthday parties, family reunions, graduation parties, anniversary parties and baby showers have taken place in our hall.

A pre-covid annual Vacation Bible School for nearly 100 young people (counting baby's to teenage helpers) would enjoy games, snacks and movies in our hall. Countless Bible studies, Presbyterian Women's gatherings and youth activities.

Thousands of social hours at 2 per Sunday.

A meal every Sunday for our nesting Korean congregation.

We had Christmas Pageants in 2021 and 2022. We had an amazing "Last Supper" play for Maundy Thursday last year and plan to do it again this year.

Rummage sales.

Annual Church Art Show. (Paintings, carvings, and other types of art from members of the church family.)

Many friends who won't come to worship have found their way to one of our social hall dinners. We have had countless dinners with unique entertainment through the years. Some of our dinner menus and entertainment have included the following:

Spaghetti dinners with Italian music.
Native American Bird Dancers with Barbeque.
Ballet Folklorico Youth Dancers.
Peruvian Seminary Pan Pipe Players.
Annual Luau with Hula Dancers.
Talent Shows. Karaoke Contest. Bagpipes.
Mexican food. Chinese, Korean and Indian food.
Bollywood Dances of India. Square Dancing.
Chinese Chopstick Dance.
Korean Singing.
Maundy Thursday Soup Suppers.
Annual brats and 18 piece Bavarian Brass Band and The Chicken Dance.
St. Patrick's Day corned beef and cabbage and Irish singing and Irish Dancers.
Christmas season dinner with Christmas carols.
Pancake breakfasts.
Potlucks too many to recount.
"Scottie" Award ceremonies for service to the congregation (Scottie dog plaque.)
Our famous, pre-Covid annual casserole cook-off competition.

The Proposed Space:

The south classroom has been used recently for Bible studies and new member's classes. The adjoining north classroom has become a storage room since the pandemic. We have been giving away the furniture and other items that have collected in there. **A very desirable meeting space could be created by removing the wall between the 2 rooms.** Currently, the congregation uses restrooms inside the social hall and beside the offices. The social hall restrooms are up 3 steps and thus not

handicap accessible. **The south classroom and north classroom each have a handicap accessible bathroom built in which greatly enhances the usability of the rooms as a future multipurpose space.** The south classroom restroom is currently underutilized. The north classroom restroom is not being used at all which is poor stewardship.

Project:

Remove non-load bearing wall between the two classrooms.	\$ 8,000
Replace carpet with linoleum flooring material.	\$ 7,000
Replace tube lights and bathroom fixtures with dimmable lighting.	\$ 3,000
Paint multipurpose room and 2 restrooms.	\$ 3,500
Add a dedicated projector and portable sound system.	\$ 3,500
Total Estimated Cost:	<u>\$25,000</u>

Other sources for funding the remainder of the project?

Gifts from members of our church family. Our buildings and grounds budget.

How does this project benefit the Presbytery of Riverside?

The presbytery has met for their stated meetings on our church campus on occasion throughout the years. Regional meetings of Presbyterian Women have also taken place on our campus. Both the Presbytery and Presbyterian Women would be welcome to use the new space as needed.

The health and vitality of each congregation is of great importance to the presbytery. The additional opportunities for serving our community will only help to strengthen BPC as we serve and engage our local community even more than we are doing now as we utilize a second multipurpose space.

How does this project align with the priorities of the Presbytery?

The Presbytery of Riverside mission statement says "We Are Connected Congregations in Deep Discipleship With Jesus Christ Who Are Faithful And Active Witnesses to God's Love, Justice And Peace.

We can have larger Bible studies in the multipurpose space to grow in our discipleship with Jesus Christ. As a congregation, we have served dozens and dozens of homeless people over prolonged periods of time, knowing them and being known by them by name. Our multipurpose room will certainly be available when needed to share resources with the homeless and others in need. Helping the homeless and others in need is a great witness to God's love. It is also a great witness to God's love to provide memorial receptions that are a great comfort to families. In the pursuit of peace in relationships, our memorial receptions have many times been the occasion for families to reconnect after drifting apart or being out of contact due to past disagreements.

Our presbytery is a “Matthew 25” presbytery. Through the multipurpose room, we can increase our engagement with our local community and provide additional opportunities to welcome all in need in our local community and especially “the least of these” who are most precious to our loving Savior.

A large segment of the community that would benefit from our endeavors in our multipurpose room includes low income families from a variety of cultural backgrounds.

How does this project align with the priorities of BPC?

Beaumont Presbyterian Church’s Mission Statement says
“We are a Christ-centered family of God’s people,
growing in faith,
caring for each other,
bringing others to Christ,
and ministering to the needs of our changing community and world.”

We will have many Bible studies to help grow in our faith in the new multipurpose space. We will care for others by making the space available for memorial services and for groups that serve the needs of the community. What we call “social hall evangelism” through the building of relationships with those using our social hall will also take place through “multipurpose room evangelism.” This will be an entry point into our church family and faith in Christ. We are flexible as a congregation. When new needs arise in our changing community and world, we will be ready to share our multipurpose room as a place of fellowship, study, providing resources and caring for others.

How is this project sustainable?

The project is very sustainable. Once the wall is taken down and the space refreshed, there would be no additional costs outside the currently established church budget for building maintenance and monthly utility bills. Increasing our reach in the community, and the number of people who engage our congregation, in time, can only enhance our church budget as more people discover “a spiritual home” with us.

What is the timeline for funding?

The sooner the better! The church could start scheduling additional functions for community groups and church groups immediately. Last year alone we held 18 memorial receptions. It would be greatly appreciated by grieving families not to have to wait to schedule their loved one’s service because the social hall is not available on many Saturdays. We have had to turn down 3 opportunities for partnering with the local community in the last 2 months alone due to space and calendar constraints. The only problem will be prayerfully discerning which groups God is calling us to partner with among those who desire to use our campus.

Thank you for your consideration of our grant proposal. We are known as “The Stone Church with a Loving Heart.” We already partner with our community, share love and assistance with “the least of these” and are there for those who mourn. If we are blessed with a grant, we will multiply these services!

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii

Grant Request

El Buen Pastor Missional Work
Presbytery of Riverside Mission

February 6, 2023

Submitted by El Buen Pastor Administrative Commission
on behalf of the Presbytery of Riverside

- 1 Grave Need for Missional Care in the Mt. Vernon area of San Bernardino
- 2 Past Missional Work
- 3 Post COVID Presence and Understanding
- 4 A Vision for Presbytery-wide Missional Care
- 5 Value of Shared Ministry
- 6 Grant Request and Summary

1 Grave Need for Missional Care in the Mt. Vernon area of San Bernardino

San Bernardino ranks among the highest cities in poverty and violence in California (cf. <https://www.statista.com/statistics/217685/most-dangerous-cities-in-north-america-by-crime-rate>) . The repercussions have caused suffering and need on a different scale than other cities. In 2020 the city of San Bernardino recorded the highest per-capita murder rate among California's larger cities in 2020 — 30.6 murders for every 100,000 residents, according to federal data collated by Everytown for Gun Safety. Additionally, in the 2022 San Bernardino County Continuum of Care Homeless Count and Survey Final Report the city of San Bernardino was reported to have 40.5% of the county's homeless persons. The city condition is not new and our presbytery has been aware for years of the challenging context for ministry. Our presbytery's congregation, El Buen Pastor, is located in one of San Bernardino's neighborhood of greatest need, the west side of the city along Mt. Vernon Avenue. COVID caused the small congregation to cease gathering in 2020.

Our presbytery funded an investigative ministry this past year contracting Lazaro Silva a seasoned missionary experienced with inner city evangelism and fluent in Spanish. Guided by our presbytery's Administrative Commission, Lazaro has regularly reported back the detailed needs of neighbors and their welcome receptivity to Christ's care through his efforts as well as those of the Home of Neighborly Service.

2 Past Missional Work

The Good Shepherd church (El Buen Pastor) was begun in 1922 as was, alongside it, the Home of Neighborly Service. In recent decades, despite the decline of the city and the economic security of residents, our presbytery and First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino vigorously supported El Buen Pastor to help it gain its self-sustaining condition. While in the early decades of the congregational plant there was a healthy worship and ministry for El Buen Pastor, this has declined. What is most visible in the community is the need for food, shelter, and safety for homeless neighbors as well as hope for families struggling financially and wary of common violence and nearby crime. Lazaro Silva has encountered a community that looks for God's daily protection and provision as they face uncertainty.

3 Post COVID Presence and Understanding

As elsewhere, COVID has changed many things. For the Mt. Vernon neighborhood, this past year brought Lazaro Silva to meet and talk with persons in the community and to assist with the food distribution of the Home of Neighborly Service. Many important facts have been understood.

First, there are other pastors and congregations in the area willing to work together to address community problems. Lazaro Silva has met with other pastors weekly to pray and share concerns, needs, and opportunities. With a cooperative spirit Lazaro Silva has also been led into a network of additional support for Christ's work in the area. This has included larger churches with resources such as mobile shower trailers willing to share with the needs of the Mt. Vernon community.

Second, there are needs of youth and elderly in addition to the middle adulthood. Limited city and county budgets have caused facilities such as pools and parks to close that are helpful to promote health and community. Though El Buen Pastor has limited classrooms, the Home of Neighborly Service has greater resources and renewed partnership could bring helpful, focused events.

Third, collective worship is a response to God's care through individual relationships. Through this past year those aided by the care of Lazaro Silva and the Home of Neighborly Service have asked when El Buen Pastor will resume worship. Many look forward to collectively praising and thanking God. Our Administrative Commission has cooperatively encouraged Lazaro Silva to simultaneously complete a focused seminary program to support his ordination as a Commissioned Local Pastor for El Buen Pastor. In the meantime, an initial holiday worship service was well attended and a generous post-service dinner was donated by other supporting members of the body of Christ.

It has also become apparent that the social needs of the Mt. Vernon neighborhood cannot be met and transformed in short order. The challenges are not simple to overcome but will require dedicated care over longer time. Given the experience of Lazaro Silva in this past year, Christ's work through El Buen Pastor is critical but as a flock of Christ it will not initially be structured like other presbytery

congregations. It certainly can become a congregation sustained by the Lord for continuing work. But the first work necessary is to bind up the suffering at her doorstep. This will require the network support of sister congregations and community agencies. El Buen Pastor becomes an opportunity for shared missional work of restoration in the midst of our very own presbytery.

4 A Vision for Presbytery-wide Missional Care

Our presbytery's Administrative Commission has witnessed the Lord's guidance of Lazaro Silva to successfully bring valuable, practical care to the community by networking. In this first year more work has been done than one person could possibly do. But through the offer of others willing to assist in the needs of the Mt. Vernon neighborhood, God's care comes. This neighborhood cannot presently financially sustain the living wage requirements for the ministry work of Lazaro Silva. But through participation of other presbytery and non-presbytery congregations Lazaro Silva's work can be sustained for the continued restoration of the community. This is a different model of missional work than was held in prior decades for El Buen Pastor when the goal of external support was to expedite a commonly functioning presbyterian congregation. Presently the goal is to restore the Mt. Vernon community through the network coordination of El Buen Pastor by external support. The congregation of El Buen Pastor is expected to grow as an expression of praise and thanksgiving but its members will be both those in the Mt. Vernon community as well as the external supporting body of Christ.

The urgent needs of this community are unlike those in a suburban context and the models of congregational support and formation that occur there. Here the local and presbytery ministry model necessary is akin to the law of generosity in Kenya expressed through the Kiswahili word *harambee*, which means 'all pull together' in order to perform a heavy lift. And so a Synod grant fund of \$40,0000 is requested to enable the congregations of our presbytery to collectively support the restoration of the Mt. Vernon community as a work of Christ. This grant fund would be matched by the Presbytery of Riverside support of \$2,000 by each congregation to support the collective missional focus.

5 Value of Shared Ministry

The value of shared ministry is shared growth in Christ and greater kingdom growth. With external target of care, presbytery congregations have opportunity to move out from their campus in order to bring Christ's love to others. By nature this is also an opportunity to invite others to participate in the good work of meeting needs and bringing joy where worry and fear reside. Our presbytery will have more visibility as people of care, indeed God's care, to our individual congregational neighborhoods, this also becoming an attractive reason to join in impactful work.

The experience of external missional projects also often inspires additional collective work in the future.

6 Grant Request and Summary

The El Buen Pastor Administrative Commission respectfully requests the Presbytery of Riverside to forward a grant request to the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii of \$40,000 to fund half of the annual cost for the El Buen Pastor Missional Work. Such a grant will be matched by invitations to our presbytery congregations to share in the collective missional project by support of \$2,000 each in order to match the Synod grant.

This grant request is made in the spirit of our Lord's calling made evident through the initial work conducted at El Buen Pastor in this past year. May the Lord continue to lead us for the care of the downtrodden and the growth of his eternal kingdom.

Grant Request

First Presbyterian Church Hemet at a Glance

The church was founded December 27, 1908 when 27 people met in the Assembly Hall of the old Hemet High School. Within a year, the property where the church now stands was secured. The following March a Ground Breaking for the new church began a process of building which was completed in January 1911. It was originally painted Brown but was redone and became known as the White Church.

Over the years, various buildings were used on the site culminating in the buildings we use today. Fellowship Hall, the Fireside Room and the Education Building were completed in 1962 and the incurred debt was paid off in 8 years. The White Church was demolished and a new sanctuary was dedicated in November 1974. All of our buildings are now debt free.

Our Congregation has seen steady growth through the years with a membership of 1400 people in the mid 60's. Our present membership is 111 members and 15 adjunct attendees who attend regularly. We also have a fair number of snowbirds who visit us every winter. The congregation breaks down into three main groups, approximately 1/3rd are over 90 years old, approximately 1/3rd are in their 80's the remaining youngsters are in their 60's and 70'. Many of our members have attended this church for the majority of their adult lives, some from grade school. As a group, our membership is dedicated to the church community, and are most welcoming and active participants. We are the only church in the valley that has a choir of dedicated members.

Financially Speaking we are blessed with reserves from the sale of the Family Center across the street. These reserves are slowly dwindling due to high and higher costs and a slowly diminishing income stream. Last year's budget vs actual costs left us with a deficit of \$82,000 which was overcome by reserve funds. This year's budget is similar in that costs are rising and the income stream is projected to be close to the same amount as last year.

We have reduced our budget where we can. There are two areas where we can save money, Electric cost is one of them. Last year we paid over \$14,000 for power. By going Solar we can save a projected \$8400. per year in “generation” charges. The effect on “demand” charges is unclear but there is some potential savings there as well. The savings are immediate (my first month on my solar system, cost went from an average of \$80 per month to minus \$10. and has continued downward ever since).

The second area we can save money is to be more effective in turning off the lights, the air conditioner and other appliances when we are done. We are not very good about that, it's a short term memory thing. To that end we are considering e-Thermostats which allow us remote control for the high traffic areas as well as scheduling capabilities.

Why Solar Why Now

The presumption to this point has been that our current facility should continue as the home of First Presbyterian Church. It is our home, one in which many members have an emotional attachment from long standing membership.

"I walked by this Church on the way to Elementary school." "My children were baptized in this church."

The church facility is itself far more than what we need. Back in the day, this church was built for a much larger congregation. Sustaining this facility is a financial burden for the less than 100 people who regularly attend service. To ease the burden and bring in some rent money we rent space to an Ombudsman group and a small church community uses our chapel on Sundays.

The question then becomes do we continue in this church facility, our home? If we affirm the original presumption and continue in this facility then we must take steps to mitigate the cost of operations in this building. Session acted in concert with its commission and within the rules to affirm this assumption and move forward to mitigate our operating cost.

The 2023 budget which the membership have approved leaves us with a deficit of nearly \$60,000. The solar system will help eliminate some of that deficit. Power is expected to increase 10% to 15%. Chart #1 shows the cost of power increases over ten years. Please note that the increased cost over the ten years will be \$168,000 to \$180,000, which is the amount we are currently collecting in our income stream.

However, with a Solar System at least \$100,000 in savings are available, reducing our expenditures to \$5600 to \$6600 per year. Additional savings are likely with the sale of unused power under NEM 2.0.

NEM 2.0 (Net Energy Metering) is the current metering agreement which ensures the unused power is purchased by the electric company. This agreement ends as of April 13, 2023 and will be replaced with NEM 3.0. Those with NEM 2.0 will be grandfathered in for 20 years. The principle difference is that unused power is not reimbursed under the new NEM 3.0. It is critically important that we have a signed agreement before the cut off date, to retain additional savings.

The solar system is designed to cut our cost for power by an estimated \$8400 per year. That savings begins immediately when the solar system is turned on. Currently we spend approximately \$14,000 per year and that cost is expected to go up by 10% to 15% per year over the next 10 years. If we continue with the present power arrangement, power cost will exceed \$168,000 over 10 years. That is more than double the initial cost of the solar system of \$80,000.

There is sufficient justification to proceed with the project with what we have discussed so far. However, there is more. The Inflation Reduction Act allows non profit organizations to claim a 30% reduction of solar expenditures in 2023 on our Income Tax. That is a projected \$21,000. This alone reduces our investment to \$49,000 and shortens the recoupment period to approximately 6 years.

A capital improvement fund was begun in January and is receiving donations from our very giving congregation. One of the many blessings of First Presbyterian Church.

Will we all be here 10 years from now? Probably not, I think we all know that. If we continue with our presumed path making this facility our home, in 10 years there will be people here enjoying our legacy. I have faith in that.

I am paraphrasing Patrick Shetler here "although we don't see youth visiting , we see seniors and that is ok, visitors at a rate 16 times greater than other churches. Many of our best members have come from other denominations. We see reason to believe in the future of our church".

Over 100 years ago, men and women in this community came together to build a church home. Each generation passed along a church home to a new generation. It is our turn to build a future for this church home and pass it to the next generation whomever they might be.

The Equipment

The equipment consists of 40 plus panels installed on the roof and inverters directly connected to the existing electric panel. It will deliver an estimated 115% of our power footprint in 2021 - 2022.

Maintenance and Guarantees

SunLux , our contractor, has guaranteed the system for twenty five years. They monitor the system and will replace any defective equipment when necessary. We have that in the contract and in writing.

Capital Improvements funds.

A capital improvement fund has been set up and is being supported by congregation members. At the present time we have \$42, 500 in the fund.

Dates and Deadlines

Presbytery

Support Needed

We are requesting a grant of \$10,000 to complete the project.

First Presbyterian Church is requesting \$10,000. to defray the cost of our solar system.

Presbytery Priority Now and in the Future

Presbyterian Church

Congregational Partnering Grants Program

Lake Arrowhead Community Presbyterian Church

Application

Purpose

We have two projects that need attention. One is to move our tech table out of the sanctuary and add two PTZ cameras (a remotely controlled Pan-Tilt-Zoom camera) to reestablish the original ambiance and reverence of our worship service. This will enable us to securely lock our equipment when not used. This should make it last longer by being able to keep it set up vs. unplugging everything and locking it up in a closet after each use.

Our second project is to replace our thirty-five plus year old carillon that has stopped working.

Utilization

Our live broadcasts reach 20 or more families, depending on the weather, every Sunday. Due to our location in the San Bernardino Mountains when there is snow, the roads become dangerous and often impassable. Our current equipment has been useful for live Zoom video of scholarship recipients that are away at school. Zoom is especially useful for memorial services where relatives live too far away, are infirm, or cannot afford to attend. We also envision using this technology to visit missionaries at distant locations. This project will also enable our congregation to host presbytery meetings and other events, connecting online with those who would not be able to participate otherwise.

Our plan for using the carillon includes playing at each hour during the day. With the newer technology we will be able to play appropriate Christmas music during the holidays which will establish a pleasant background for the visitors to Lake Arrowhead. We are also planning to connect it to our reconstructed organ console so that it can be played for weddings.

Projected Costs

Two PTZ Cameras: PTZ Optics30X SDI Gen 2 with HuddleCamHD HC-Joy	3,697 + tax
Custom Roll-Top Desk with Lock	2,500 + tax
Carillon	7,000 + tax
Construct a Window to the Sanctuary	2,000
Add Electrical Outlets	1,500
Installation of the cameras	<u>500</u>
Total	15,697
Tax	<u>1,155</u>
Grand Total	16,852

**Grant Application – Presbyterian Church Congregational Partnering Grant Program
Magnolia Presbyterian Church (MagPres)
June 2nd, 2022**

Magnolia Presbyterian Church (MagPres), is located in the Presbytery of Riverside and was founded in 1879 by church visionaries from Hollywood Presbyterian Church. Our tag line “... a rich tradition, a bright future” was born out of our beginnings. We are applying for a Congregational Partnering Grant to assist with the rebuilding of our Sanctuary which was destroyed in a fire on December 23rd, 2018. While devastating to our congregation, we also spent time reflecting on how God might use this tough setback to “work all things together for good” into a bright future.

About the project

After the fire, many discussions with our Session ensued, and a decision was made to rebuild the Sanctuary as a multi-purpose building so that the space could be utilized more than just on Sunday mornings. We began to see an opportunity to reimagine a way of doing ministry not only as a worship space, but also as a place that is available for use by our surrounding neighborhood. Through this new space, we envision new opportunities, fulfilling our mission of “making fully formed followers of Jesus Christ”. To that end, the new building has been designed with movable chairs rather than fixed pews, a kitchenette off the main Sanctuary with a pass-through to an outside patio area, two multipurpose vestibules that can be used for additional meeting spaces, an ADA restroom, and other design choices, enabling MagPres to host community events, dinners, and concerts. We have a unique opportunity in that within a 5-mile radius there is no other venue that offers this much versatility to our neighbors. We believe God is calling us to become an intentional presence in our local neighborhood and a welcoming place for all.

What Have We Already Done?

In August of 2019, MagPres spearheaded a new initiative in Riverside called Family Promise of Riverside. Family Promise is a national organization dedicated to providing temporary housing and resources for families who are housing insecure and helping them find employment, education, and permanent housing. When Family Promise began the development phase, four of the organizing Board members were members of MagPres. We were the first church in Riverside to commit to hosting families overnight in our facility 4 times a year. We are currently providing office space for FP’s Executive Director and have committed to providing a temporary Day Center which assists families looking for housing, schooling, and employment opportunities when Family Promise opens in August 2022. Potentially we may provide a permanent Day Center in the future. We believe our new multipurpose building will enable us to more effectively provide temporary housing for families experiencing homelessness as well as providing worship space for other congregations nesting within our church.

We have committed ourselves to being a Mathew 25 congregation and we see our work with Family Promise as demonstrating and speaking into the Matthew 25 vision of the Presbyterian

Church (U.S.A.) focusing on “building congregational vitality, dismantling structural racism and eradicating systemic poverty.”

MagPres has a heritage of being Mission oriented, not only participating in mission in Zimbabwe to build a well but also in Peru to building churches and other projects as needed. MagPres continues to participate in initiatives around the City of Riverside, providing meals at the local shelter, raising funds for the CROP Walk, providing office space for Young Life of Riverside, supporting Habitat for Humanity, Teen Challenge, and a local non-denominational mission organization to Mexico, called Power Ministry. We have and are currently supporting Mission Co-workers in the PC(USA). MagPres has always paid their Per Capita in full and has and is and contributing to the General Mission of the PC(USA) at the Presbytery and national level.

MagPres’ Presbytery Commissioners and other members are active on Presbytery committees, and MagPres’ pastors have and are serving in leadership within the Presbytery and Synod.

The Next Step

The rebuilding of our Sanctuary has gone slowly mostly due to delays at the city level because of the pandemic. Costs have risen as a result, but through everything we have remained resolute that God is calling us to this “new thing”. Grading of the building site is finished and we celebrated our official groundbreaking on June 5th, 2022.

Our next step is to begin a Capital Campaign to raise funds needed for costs not covered by insurance. Currently we have received 1.2 million dollars from the insurance company and are hoping to receive another \$300,000 from insurance to cover code upgrades. Costs for the new building are estimated in the 2.2- 2.5-million-dollar range. In order to cover that deficit, we are beginning a Capital Campaign under the guidance of Rene Myers and are looking at multiple sources of revenue including fundraisers, donations and pledges of congregation members, endowment fund interest, and if needed, the sale of church owned property.

Currently we have \$56,064.40 in our Sanctuary Capital fund including a \$10,000.00 grant awarded by the Presbytery of Riverside Partners in Ministry Committee. Whereas the Presbytery of Riverside at the March 12, 2022 Assembly, approved a \$200,000 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii Partnering Grant for First Pres. Redlands, MagPres is asking for the remaining \$98,366.87 in Synod Partnering grant funds. In addition, we are also asking for \$200,000.00 from reserves of the Presbytery of Riverside; funds received as a result of the Gracious Dismissal process.

The last 3 ½ years have been challenging ones for our congregation beginning with the fire and then along with everyone else maneuvering through this strange new reality of a global pandemic. It goes without saying that this has been an unprecedented time in MagPres’ 145-year history. Through it all the leadership and members of MagPres have remained steadfast and faithful to the vision in which we believe God is calling us. We look forward to what God is going to do in and through MagPres into “a bright future” and appreciate your partnership in helping further God’s kin-dom in the city of Riverside and beyond.

Respectfully,

Rev. Claire Schlegel on behalf of the Session of Magnolia Presbyterian Church

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii

Grant Request

A Cost Effective Campus Security System
for the Safety of Worshippers and Ministry

February 6, 2023

Submitted by Northkirk Presbyterian Church Session
on behalf of the Presbytery of Riverside

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1 Critical Need for Safety of Presbytery Campuses

With the recent increase in violence and criminal activity occurring on congregational campuses presbyteries and Sessions are in need of security systems to deter and record dangerous events. The May 15, 2022 shooting at Geneva Presbyterian Church in Orange County on a Sunday afternoon is a local example of present safety concern. The shooter killed one person and wounded five others. A month later, on June 16, 2022, another shooting occurred at Vestavia Hills Episcopal church at 6:22 p.m. in a suburb of Birmingham, Alabama. Three persons were killed. In the U.S., FBI hate crime statistics show that incidents in churches, synagogues, temples and mosques increased 34.8% between 2014 and 2018.

Additionally, systems to protect children, elders, and others from abuse are valuable to promote healthy, safe environments.

As a matter of care as well as responsibility and potential liability, it is necessary for congregations to have in places a system to protect worshippers as well as other weekly ministry activities and community users of each site.

Such system must be visible externally and discreetly employed internally on a congregational campus. Congregations can include brief notification of these security systems on public materials, printed and online, to reinforce safety concern and provision. Additionally these systems must be active constantly, through all hours, and be able to serve in a sequence of notification to bring necessary attention and aid.

2 Past Models and Cost of Campus Security

Prior to the recent availability of lower-cost, high function options, security systems have been customized by specialized third-party businesses. The cost for a congregational campus system includes hardware components, installation and activation fees, and alarm monitoring. The on-going cost for monitoring typically cannot be mitigated since the security systems are not user-serviceable.

In the event of a security breach or event, congregations are often reliant on the third party to produce reviewable reports or video and the interpretation of these. While congregations may desire to increase security, if they have third-party solutions in place, they may be limited in access. Additionally, when a security system needs to be upgraded or extended, costs can be high since many protects cannot integrate with others, leaving the congregation with singular path option.

3 Advent of Lower-Cost Networked Campus Security and Benefits

In the mid-2010s computerized and networked hubs, cameras, and sensors, lowered the cost of security systems, making them accessible to smaller organizations and homes. These newer systems can offer equivalent security to prior customized systems but at a much lower cost due to the scale of manufacturing and the power of their software tools. Beyond prior systems, these newer solutions can allow shared monitoring and notification of system events thus decreasing the response time for safety measures.

New security system companies include Ring (owned by Amazon), SimpliSafe, Vivant, Abode, Google Nest, Wyze, Scout, Eufy, Ecobee, Frontpoint, and Cove.

4 Model Packaged Expandable Security System

The Ring Alarm Pro security product is consistently highly recommended in security system reviews for its breadth of sensors and accessories, latest WiFi support, and optional professional monitoring. The company offers its Deluxe Security Kit (<https://ring.com/products/deluxe-security-kit>) as the foundation for a small business which can be extended as necessary. This system is recommended as a presbytery platform for common, inexpensive security for congregational campus safety.

The basic system includes:

A base station that may be placed anywhere within WiFi coverage;

Two keypads to enable/disable the system as well as assess status;

Eight contact sensors which sense door way and windows openings;

Two indoor motion detectors;

A 250-foot range extender to enable the base station to access remote devices;

Two outdoor floodlight 1080p cameras with built-in siren;

Two indoor 1080p cameras;

Three eero WiFi signal enhance devices;

A glass break alarm sensor; and

A panic button alarm device.

The Deluxe Security Kit is priced at \$999.99.

The associated Ring Alarm Pro monitoring service is \$200 per year.

Given the Northkirk campus the additional components are necessary for sufficient coverage:

One keypad \$49.99

One motion detector \$29.99

One six-pack contact sensor \$99.99

Six outdoor floodlight 1080p cameras with built-in siren; \$899.94

One glass break alarm sensor; \$39.99

One two-pack panic button alarm devices \$49.99

These additional items combine for a subtotal of \$1169.89.

The total cost of hardware and first year monitoring service is \$2,369.88. California sales tax will add \$168.17 yielding a system cost of \$2,538.05.

For the benefit of presbytery congregations Northkirk will document by writing and video the installation, configuration and training for security system use. This experience will be shared with congregations at a joint in-service event.

5 Option for Shared Security Monitoring and Feedback

The Ring system has configurable options for notifications and reporting. These include remote access by smart-phone, tablet, or computers as well as notification to individual devices. To enhance security among the presbytery congregations the Ring security system can include notification to a common resource for backup and subsequent review. By sharing a common system, congregations can learn from one another best practices for configuration and campus safety.

6 Grant Request and Summary

The Session of Northkirk respectfully request the Presbytery of Riverside forward a grant request to the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii of \$1,269.02 to fund half of the cost for this cost effective campus security system for the safety of worshippers and ministry. Such a grant will be matched by an equivalent Northkirk Session approved expense.

This grant request is made in the spirit of our Lord's care and service for his congregations throughout our presbytery. May he continue to lead us for the growth of his eternal kingdom.

RIDGECREST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Bringing Worship and Fellowship to Those Within Our Walls While Also Serving Others Outside of Our Walls

[A Grant Proposal/Application]

02/07/2023

For years Ridgecrest Presbyterian has been a Matthew 25 Congregation. Our focus has always been mission and recently we have identified the many ways that we can reach those within and outside of our church. We are seeking grant funds to assist us in accomplishing these tasks.

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Bringing Worship and Fellowship to Those within Our Walls While Also Serving Others Outside of Those Walls

Introduction

When the COVID pandemic hit, Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church needed to find new ways to reach out to our church family, friends, neighbors, and the overall community. This outreach has evolved with time and it continues to evolve.

As a Matthew 25 church, Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church has evaluated and identified multiple areas that will allow us to better serve our congregation, the entire church family, including friends and neighbors, plus it will better equip us to reach out in improved ways to the overall Christian community.

It is our sincere desire to strengthen our own church relationships while providing spiritual nourishment and support for anyone within our reach. Because of technology, we can reach further than ever before and because of our hearts, we are always looking for new ways that we can enhance our outreach. Please note we are a very small, but mighty congregation (28 members), our only employees are our pastors, all other jobs are completed by church volunteers. The updates that we have identified will assist us in avoiding time spent on updates, upgrades, and repairs and consequentially will alleviate many of the day to day distractions that keep us from the completing the serious work of our mission.

Living Our Mission

Our church strives to stay mission oriented, we have found that our congregation thrives when staying mission oriented, here are some of the ways we have accomplished our mission:

- We collected food and clothing for St Michael's Episcopalian Church and the local Salvation Army.
- We created and ran a 650 lb food drive for St Michaels Food Pantry when their cupboards were bare.
- We invited our congregation to donate funds to send to PCUSA for support to Ukraine and they donated over \$2000.
- We provided Christmas and Thanksgiving dinners with an open invitation to anyone who wanted to attend.
- We facilitated a church picnic and invited members from other local congregations to join us.

- During Covid we cooked and served free turkey dinners and dessert in to-go containers and opened it up to all Ridgecrest community members. Volunteers delivered meals to persons who did not have transportation.
- Through “Be the Church Sunday” we served others cheerfully. Some of our projects included:
 - Repaired a fence
 - Cleaned an empty lot that was filled with refuse
 - Assisted seniors with their yard clean up
 - Rebuilt a senior’s deck which presented a safety hazard and prevented her from leaving her home.
- Every November and December we have shopped for, filled, and delivered food baskets to 10 or more families in need.
- We facilitated a Homework Club for a local elementary school, where we supported kids who were struggling with their studies.
- We recycled cans and bottles to raise funds to support water purification in other countries.
- We supported Sand Dams in other countries that needed safe, clean water,
- We offered free produce from our community garden.
- We provided free Bibles to visitors.
- We offered our support and assistance for Gold Award and Eagle Scout projects.
- We provided the chaplain for the local Hospital.
- We lead Bible Study to church members and non-members as well.

The improvements to our infrastructure and facilities will not only benefit our congregation, in recent years we have hosted/assisted many groups from our community and beyond. We have considered it part of our mission to keep fees extremely low and affordable.

Groups supported/served/hosted within Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church

- Stephen Ministry
- Ministerio Fuego Pentecostes (a Spanish speaking congregation)
- Indian Wells Valley Jewish Congregation Association
- Ridgecrest Clock Club
- Ridge-Writers Club (a club for local authors)
- WACOM Bridge Club
- Ridgecrest Classical Music Society (they arrange for and host monthly concerts at our church. These concerts are performed by visiting classical musicians and are open to the community)
- High Dessert Music Teachers Association (including teacher meetings, concerts, and adjudication events for students)
- Teaching Kids to Fish events
- Toastmasters club meetings

- Toastmasters Leadership Institute (a training event for Leaders from clubs throughout Kern and Los Angeles counties)
- Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts

Persons served outside of our church walls

On any given week we serve a considerable number of congregants. We are serving local persons who are home bound due to health concerns, persons who are just too tired to come in person, persons who need to be protected from disease transmission, and persons who are traveling. We also serve persons who are out of state, but want to attend our services.

Matching Funds

We are in the process of creating a fundraising plan, but in order to accomplish everything, we will need considerable financial assistance since we are already working hard to increase incoming revenue so we can afford to hire a full time pastor.

Our Realization and Our Opportunity

During 2020, Covid began to take its toll on our Ridgecrest community. We quickly put into place the necessary safety measures, and began to see more interest in watching our services by stream video.

In spring 2020, we experienced another major stress: our pastor of 17 years left for other work on very short notice. With the help of the Presbytery, we quickly found an interim that could start in a few months. All we needed was a month or two of pulpit fill while we waited for the new interim. However, the months stretched to four months, and then the interim informed us he would not come to our church. Our summer pulpit fill pastors offered to stay and they have been our $\frac{3}{4}$ transitional co-pastors since fall 2020. We spent most of 2020 in grief and with a sense of loss and abandonment. We did not know how to continue our old work in light of Covid, and we felt we could do little without our pastors.

For 2021, we re-engaged with the necessary tasks to stabilize the congregation. Covid was still heavy in our midst and made many of our old ways still unworkable. Session added a younger member and we became a very close team. Although financial records had been lost in the previous transition, we reconstructed our books and came to a good sense of our financial status, with the work of a new treasurer and a new assistant treasurer. Our pastors refer to this as a year of recovery, coping with the grief and learning to believe in ourselves again.

In 2022, we entered into a year of stabilization. Many of our old programs restarted, although more often online. Finances and record keeping became routine again. Attendance (both in person and online) increased. We began more social events and were able to have newfound joy in our time together. We started cooperation with St. Michael's

Episcopal Church, focused on local needs and outreach into our community. Our budget became predictable again, even though we wished for greater strength. Some long-absent church members returned and have wanted to help with our work and mission.

Now, we see 2023 as a year of revitalization and outreach. This is progressing in many directions at once. We have begun the Mission Assessment Process that will lead in time to the arrival of a new pastor who is right for us, but we are not waiting until that day! We are stepping forward with new activity to address the three opportunities we see ready for our action: Improving Worship, Sharpening Focus, and Intentional Outreach. Thus, we are seeking a grant and other funds that can move this phase along to clear results within a year.

Improving Worship, Education, and Interaction

Our worship attendance in person is about 20, with about 12 persons regularly attending on line. We believe that we have good preaching, music, and community, as well as an ongoing focus on shared mission. We have identified several areas where we need to expand our capacity and quality.

1. Internet bandwidth. Our community had no fiber optic service until just this month. Our new improved internet will be installed soon, so that we can run more than just one computer at a time and our services can use much greater visuals.
2. Internet extension. To reach the different parts of our building, we will need about 4 internet extenders. This will enable us to move from just streaming the service (as we have been doing for years) to also having an interactive video connection in the nursery (we have up to four children attending under the age of 4) and hosting interactive meetings on the church property, so that those outside our walls can be seen and heard in our gatherings.
3. Additional cameras. We currently use just one camera, pointed straight at the speaker's face. With additional cameras, we can also show laity in worship so that observers feel a much closer part of the worship service.
4. Additional wiring. We have two large screens for showing lyrics, worship materials, and other content, these are smart TV's but will need to be configured to work over the WIFI; we currently have them hard wired.
5. Improved sound system. Within the room, the very old sound system is not ideal for current use and we would like to upgrade the microphones and speakers so that all members can hear well from every corner of the room. We need better setup for our sound system as well, so that we can coordinate everything from one computer to enhance the audio experience.

We recognize that each of these needs will require not only hardware (and possibly some software), but also expertise. We do not have a church member who can set up a good audio system or make smart decisions about camera placement and use. We need a technician to advise and provide installation for us, as well as someone to teach the laity how to use the equipment.

Sharpening Focus

We at Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church want to spend the bulk of our time in mission. In years of recovery and stabilization, our lay members have spent so much energy on upkeep – keeping the building repaired, fixing overdue maintenance, moving chairs, cleaning out junky areas, and more. Now, we want to invest money into better systems that won't break as often, so that our time can move from maintenance to mission.

1. Our yard-watering system is quite old and difficult. We have spent hours searching for leaks and some leaks have caused \$700 in wasted water before they could be identified and rectified. We would like to replace this system with modern efficiency, so that it would be an effective, low-maintenance practice that might help us save on water use in this desert area.
2. We have experienced theft and vandalism, especially in the back of the church building. The monetary losses have been minor, but the safety risk is clear. We would like to add motion-sensitive lights and cameras in a few well-chosen areas, including some with police notification services. This should save considerable laity time and monetary resources in the long run.
3. We would also like to consider better lighting to the front and entrance of the church, and perhaps to the parking lot, so that our presence is more visible. A new sign in the front may help our community visibility. Having a sign that does not require manual updates could save significant time in the years ahead and would be effective uses of our property to let those who drive by know more about our activities.

Intentional Outreach

Our plan for attracting more people into our ministry and mission has several parts. We know that we need better use of our facilities, so we need upgrades.

Who Is Coming to Town?

1. The largest employer, the NAWS China Lake, is currently in a growth phase, hiring a considerable number of new employees in government and civilian jobs. People are moving across the states in search of these stable employment opportunities. In addition, the Ridgecrest Hospital (the second largest employer) is also seeing to grow its staff.
2. Within a block and a half of the church, a new apartment complex will open in late 2023. There will be 75 units for families, and the complex is designated as low-income housing. We believe this will bring many new people into our part of town, seeking community and a new start on life.
3. Ridgecrest has experienced a rise in demographical diversity over recent decades. Our congregation's in-person attendance is usually about 50% Korean

(Asian Americans are the second most represented group in the city at present). A large percentage of our new visitors have been men of color in their mid-20s, attracted to the strong job market and low cost of living. As a multicultural community, we should be able to expand our diversity to be a welcoming place for these new arrivals in our town.

Being Welcoming

1. Better lighting and signs throughout.
2. A dedicated nursery area that is child-safe and attractive to parents and caregivers. This would require the children's restroom to be refurbished, updated to current standards and best practices.
3. Expanding our community garden in front of the church will allow us to offer more fresh food, free to those who come by.

Intentional Action to Reach New People in the Community

We recognize that our community (the City of Ridgecrest, California and surrounding areas) is unique and is not positioned for high corporate investment and new population surges. However, it is a stable community of about 28,000 people. Housing costs are 21% below national average, and thus exceptionally low for California. China Lake NAWS is the predominant employer, with many other jobs from the regional hospital, the school district, and local stores. As in many communities, the diversity of our population is increasing quickly. Because of the hiring patterns of the NAWS, there is a constant inflow of government and civilian workers, many of whom arrive young and tend to stay in the town for 10-40 years. With this in mind, we are identifying some specific areas of involvement and outreach:

1. Presence at the nearby apartment complex, to offer ice-cream socials for new residents, picnics, games for kids, etc.
2. Continuing events such as Christmas and Thanksgiving baskets given to dozens of vulnerable families in the city.
3. Other food resources being offered into the most vulnerable neighborhood and streets.
4. Expanding offerings to include back packs for school children.
5. Offering crafts supplies for art and education for free.
6. More distribution possibilities for the vegetable garden.
7. Open up the educational spaces for homework assistance and other mentoring for children.

A Long Term Dream of a Day Care located in our facilities

We have listened to our community and heard a great need for expanded child care. We believe that Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church could become a site offering quality day care for children within the community. This would not be a quick or simple task, but we would like to take some of the needed first-steps to begin this repurposing of our facilities.

1. *Complete Refurbishing of Our Nursery Space*-- Safe floors, good light, refurbished electrical wiring, attractive durable furniture, accessible bathrooms, and video connections.
2. Clean out two rooms next to the nursery, which are presently used for storage or junk. Remove hazards and create clean and open space with fresh paint and safer flooring. These could be used as future children's space in time to come.
3. Seek expertise to develop a master plan for changes to building and use patterns to accommodate a day care. We would need legal advice, with the goal of a plan for applications, building improvements, and more, to give us a sense of what an occupancy and budget could be.

Our Observed Needs

Internet/technology needs an upgrade

Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church groups are served through in person meetings, worship services, and classes and all is offered through internet technology, including YouTube Live Worship Services, in person Deacon Meetings and Zoom/hybrid meetings (Congregational meetings, Bible Study, and monthly Session meetings for those who are not able to attend in person).

Our current internet is from a hotspot, this hotspot needs to be moved from room to room and only facilitates internet in one room at a time. The hotspot also has a data limit and services will slow down considerably when the data cap is exceeded, when this happens, streaming services have serious difficulty. We plan to upgrade our Internet Services with a new Fiber Optics provider that has just become available for our church address.

Beginning this new service (RACE Fiber Optics) will require a new modem with up to 4 WiFi extenders (also referred to as WiFi mesh units). These items are available to rent and will be included in our budget.

Expanded Worship and Meeting Services Requirements

Currently we have a set up that facilitates using one (1) camera. Creating a system with 2 or more cameras integrated with our large screen smart TVs would provide an optimal worship experience for those who are unable to attend in person.

Sanctuary

2 additional cameras

Hire a pro to set it up and train to use

Hybrid meetings for Bible Study, Session, and Deacons Equipment Required

Projector and Screen (already have these)

Dedicated computer(s) and/or tablet(s)

Sound Equipment (Speakers and Microphones)
2 more Webcams or cameras

Sound equipment setup and training

Our current sound system is a few decades old, but is still highly functional. New wire was purchased quite some time ago, but has never been installed. We need to have more persons trained on how to use the equipment. There are issues at times regarding settings not being set properly and few within our church understand how to operate this fairly complicated system.

We propose hiring a sound technician to coordinate the new wiring process, integrate the sound system with the new TVs that were purchased with previous grant funds, streamline the process, to define a simplistic set of instructions and to train multiple individuals to operate the system.

Security System

We have never felt the need for a security system, but due to recent break in to our storage rooms (sea vans) and the consequent theft, the local police department has recommended that we need to install monitoring equipment

The ring security system has up front / initial costs for equipment but then the monitoring fee (which is monitored by the Ring team and they will call the police if required) is currently \$200.00 annually.

Outreach Opportunities

Outreach has always been a planned project, but currently there are 2 reasons that the time that for getting the word out is most important this year. We plan to accomplish this through the local papers, current events and targeted ads. We also plan to distribute flyers to new households and local neighbors.

1). There is currently an influx of contractor employees as well as military and government civilian employees that will be working on the Naval base for quite some time, getting the word out to these new citizens is imperative.

2). There is a new complex of 75 apartment homes being built on Norma Street, just a few blocks from RPC. These new homes are specifically designated for low income families.

Nursery upgrade

We need to refurbish the room with safer, currently recommended baby and toddler furnishings. It is also imperative that we set up a way that a parent can be present in the nursery and still hear and visualize the ongoing Worship Service.

Community Outreach

Community Garden upgrade

Free fruits and vegetables are made available to church members, friends and neighbors. Seeds, mulch, manure, 3 more fruit trees, some compost, a storage shed for gardening and yard work tools are needed (currently tools are kept inside the church, this means a person needing garden tools must possess a key to the church).

Easter and Advent Outreach Kits for the Community

Easter and Advent provide an excellent opportunity for us to reach out to the community with an Invitation to join us on Sunday. Essentially information about our church, games, crafts and activities related to the season would be packaged into a box, bag, or package. Families will be invited to come to the church to pick up a free kit.

Automatic Watering System Replacement

This year our existing antiquated watering system has sprung leaks multiple times resulting in increased cost to replace the broken parts and our water bills were as high as \$700 for one month. We are at the point that as soon as we repair one leak, another one happens soon after.

All jobs/tasks within our church walls are currently performed by volunteers, with the exception of our 3/4 time transitional pastors. While several volunteers have stepped up to assist with the upgrades, we are at the point that we need to consult and hire professionals to assist with additional requirements.

Anticipated Project Timeline

Given the assistance of professionals for installation we believe that all projects will be completed within one year of receiving the funds. Many of the items listed can be procured and installed within the first 3 months after receiving the grant funds.

The actual timeline will be dependant on three (3) things

- 1) Timing of when grant funds are received
- 2) Availability of professional installers.
- 3) Availability of the materials

- Month 1 & 2
 - Place order for RACE Installation of Fiber Optics Internet plus modem and extenders
 - Purchase upgraded security locks for Sea Vans and put in place
 - Solicit bids and hire professionals:
 - Sound Technician

- Automatic watering system installer
 - Plumber
 - Flouring professional
 - Security System Installer
 - Shed construction pro
 - Outdoor lighting installer
 - Heating installer
 - Painters
 - Signage professionals
 - Daycare establishment and legal consultants
- Month 2 & 3
 - Order/Purchase (or authorize contractors to purchase) equipment needed for each project, including:
 - Cameras, Microphones, Speakers and Additional wiring/accessories
 - Dedicated computers
 - Security system components
 - Garden supplies
 - Outdoor lighting
 - Paint
 - Child size toilet
 - Heater
 - Flooring
 - Shed
 - Signage
 - Create content for Newspapers and flyers
- Month 3
 - Evaluate progress and complete progress report for Presbytery
 - Continue installations and setup
- Month 4
 - Continue installations and setup
- Month 5
 - Order supplies for 2023 Advent Kits
 - Install Shed with Professional Installation
 - Nursery Painting, toilet replacement, heater, and flooring Installation
 - TV/Video Connection for Worship
 - Distribute first set of fliers
- Month 6
 - Evaluate progress and complete progress report for Presbytery
 - Construct Advent kits
 - Install Double Sided LED Sign
 - Apply Children's Wall Décor
 - Begin ordering Furniture and accessories for the nursery
- Month 7
 - Deliver Advent Kit invitation to the Community
 - Distribute Advent kits
 - Begin planning for Easter Kits
- Month 8

- Order supplies for Easter Kits
- Month 9
 - Evaluate progress and complete progress report for Presbytery
 - Construct Easter Kits
- Month 10
 - Deliver Easter Kit invitation to the Community
 - Distribute Easter Kits
- Month 11
 - Evaluate progress
- Month 12
 - Evaluate progress and complete progress report for Presbytery
 - Complete additional tasks as needed to consider projects finished!

Evaluation

Evaluation will be accomplished in 2 WAYS:

- 1) Regular updates will be created quarterly and will be available to Presbytery or Synod representatives whenever requested.
- 2) A detailed checklist, complete with specific dates will be created; this list will be evaluated every 3 months to determine if sufficient progress has been made. If progress needs to be increased a detailed plan for required actions will be created.

Conclusion

Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church is seeking a grant in the amount of \$37,006 to assist us in furthering our Matthew 25 plan for ourselves and our surrounding community. With every activity we plan, we try to consider that everyone matters, we plan to actively seek bids from minority-owned businesses and we will do our very best to care for everyone that we can reach as children of God, in this spirit we ask for help in fulfilling our mission in sharing God's love with anyone we possible can. Thank you for your consideration.

Budget

PROPOSED BUDGET			
	Cost	Frequency	Subtotal
INTERNET			
RACE Internet plus modem and extenders	1428	Annually	
Wiring and Phone Update	300		
			1728
SPREADING THE WORD/OUTREACH			
Weekly publication in local papers	1200	Annually	
Flyers (Toner, Copier Maintenance, Paper)	700	Annually	
Easter and Advent Kits to Share	300	Annually	
			2200
EXPANDED WORSHIP AND MEETING EQUIPMENT			
Cameras (4)	280	Once	
Microphones	345	Once	
Professional Sound Technician and Equipment Setup plus instructions and training (3 weeks)	4263	Once	
Sanctuary Speakers	500	Once	
Wiring and additional accessories	250	Once	
Dedicated computers (2)	800	Once	
			6438
SECURITY			
Ring Sensors for all doors and windows (24)	396	Once	
Monitoring/Police Notification	200	Annually	
Professional Installation	1000	Once	
Ring Doorbell with Camera and Two way Communication	259	Once	
Ring Professional Sensor Setup Kit	730	Once	
Security Locks for Sea van Storage Units	100	Once	
			2685
GARDEN AND YARD REVITALIZATION			
Seeds	100	Annually	
Manure and Compost	500	Annually	
Fruit Trees (3)	180	Once	
7' x 7' Shed with Professional Installation	3500	Once	
Automatic Watering System (Installed)	5000	Once	

Outdoor Lighting (Installed)	2000	Once	
Double Sided LED Sign (Controllable through WIFI/Computer) w/installation	5500	Once	
			16780
NURSERY UPGRADE			
Paint for 3 rooms (12 gallons for double coats)	400	Once	
Children's Wall Décor	75	Once	
Nursery Flooring w/Installation	1200	Once	
Furniture replacement (safer, updated - rocking chair, changing table with topper and disposable pads, toddler toys, and play yard)	500	Once	
Child size Toilet Replacement/Installation	600	Once	
Heater Replacement/Installation	1800	Once	
TV/Video Connection for Worship	600	Once	
Consultation for Daycare Establishment Requirements and Legality	2000	Once	
			7175
GRAND TOTAL			\$37,006



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Subject: Synod Partnering Grant Proposal from First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino

Please find attached a proposal for consideration as an application for a Synod Partnering grant. The request is in the amount of \$20,525 which will **continue the development of 3 young leaders now in outdoor education professions, as they take urban high school youth on transformational outdoor experiences.** Those from the POR who took advantage of the Partnership in Ministry Scholarships for the 2018 Kaleidoscope Institute Training will recognize the 3 young leaders -Carmen, Lalli, and Ernie. They were our first Life Skillz students, our first interns; first Life Skillz student to become a member and Deacon, and our first young adult outdoor leader. They are excited about this opportunity to mentor younger students and share the power of going outside. This project is a natural extension of previous congregational, Presbytery, and Synod investments in relationship, wellness and leadership. The POR has prioritized **Radical Welcome, Leadership, and Next Generation ("especially Hispanic youth")** this project embodies all these. It is an opportunity for the Presbytery to invest in this outward focus: to celebrate, empower, and learn from the diverse people who compose our communities (but are largely not in our congregations).

In this project, we will hold gently while also letting go. The young leaders will be empowered to choose, plan and direct the experiences, and so will grow in confidence and effectiveness. As people with privilege whom God has called to act justly, we owe them our support. We also recognize that these Latino young adults will continue to lead us: **they widen our understanding of their experiences and needs and strengths-** helping us hear what God would have us do to increase healing and equity in our community (Matthew 25).

This proposal includes **opportunities for the Presbytery to be involved** - through the facilitated planning and/or evaluation retreats. We will use processes that can be applied to any context, and they can share in the joy and learning as we debrief the adventures. Please let us know if this is desired and who to contact.

Our congregation has been transformed by our Life Skillz students, who are now part of nearly every aspect of our common life, from caring for our property, to feeding our neighbors, preparing for worship, and hospitality. A few have become members. All have made us proud by their courage, insight, tenacity and grace. We experience God's love for us in their presence. We have enthusiasm and so do they- a grant will help us take this to a new level.

We invite the Presbytery and Synod to participate in this story. The "kids" we met in 2014 are now passionate young professionals ready to take inner-city kids outside to experience awe, wonder and joy in Creation. *The heavens are telling of the glory of God!*

Please let us know if you have any questions or require additional information.

Amy Smith, Clerk of Session
First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino

Summary and Background

*"When we welcome others, we welcome Christ; when we bring together people who are divided, we are doing God's reconciling work. We are called to serve Jesus by contributing to the well-being of the most vulnerable"*¹

For over a decade, First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino (FPCSB) has been welcoming, reconciling and contributing to well-being by building deep and mutual relationships with the mostly Latino students of San Bernardino High School (SBHS) through our Life Skillz program. Consistent with our Vital Congregation and Matthew 25 initiatives, we embarked on this work to meet a need we saw in our community: low graduation rates. We now propose to build on investments [made by FPCSB, the Riverside Presbytery (POR), and the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii (Synod)] **to do a new thing. The monies we are requesting (\$20,525) will contribute to the well-being of vulnerable students by funding 3 outdoor adventures for them. We propose to simultaneously equip and partner with 3 young adult leaders (former Life Skillz students) as they design and lead these events with help from us.**

What is our community? Who is our neighbor?

FPCSB was established in 1874, and SBHS in 1891. In 1953, we moved to 1900 N E St, just across E Street from the high school. Currently their enrollment is 84.2% Hispanic. FPCSB is mostly white (81%) with just 16% Hispanic/Latino members. Fewer than 20% of our neighbors are over 55, compared to 67% of our congregation. San Bernardino is the poorest city in the IE, and the poorest large city in California. About 93% of the students at SBHS qualify for federal free lunch programs. Kids here grow up in poverty which means they have few outings and no 'gear' for going outdoors. They experience the stress of precariousness and have firsthand knowledge of violence. This is compounded by what has been named 'nature deficit disorder', which may have a negative effect on mental well-being. For these kids, **seeing young adult like them** who've achieved their dreams; combined **with glimpses of wide sky, open water and the glory of the natural world** can be transformative, increasing their resilience and overall health. **In a moment when teenage mental health is in crisis, this project is not a luxury but an effort to let a child breathe in clean air and in loving community.** It is the Church's response to the emerging needs of our time.

We count 6 high school 'members' in our 2022 statistical report; but another 30 high school students show up every Monday morning to meet and eat with us. Our involvement with them deepens our engagement in the issues of education, family, and employment in our neighborhood. We are an active part of their lives, and as we pursue safety, inclusion, and justice for their sakes, we realize **we are "doing God's reconciling work"** of Shalom.

Life Skillz – an ongoing and evolving commitment to community youth

In 2012, we went to a Holy Currencies retreat sponsored by the POR. **We were inspired to explore options to grow the wellness of our neighbors** -the students of SBHS, where graduation and achievement rates were poor. We know that not finishing high school contributes to **systemic poverty**. Built on a foundation of snacks, notes of encouragement, and celebrations, in 2014 we launched our Life Skillz Circle on campus, providing students with a support network using KI's gracious leadership tools. The 30 Life Skillz students come to school early each week to engage in respectful dialog over breakfast with 6 adult volunteers. **They practice listening with care and speaking their truth, skills that remove barriers to success and build confidence in every area of life.** Our first students graduated in 2016, **each year new kids arrive** and participate.

In response to their desire for employment, we initiated our paid Internship Program in 2015. Life Skillz students apply, interview, and work in teams of 6 as church staff for 10 week terms. So far, 51 students have completed 113 internships. **Interns discover their strengths, preferences, leadership styles and worth.** Supervisors teach **technical skills, and model 'soft skills' of clear communication and equitable relationships** required for success. Life Skillz students receive other things they describe as deeply valuable: ongoing support, scholarships, recreational opportunities, practical skills, and coaching. These relationships and outcomes have become integral to our mission and our vitality. 120 students have participated in Life Skillz circles. They graduate at a rate higher than their peers (only one participant did not). **We promise to accompany them beyond high school**

¹ Presbyterianmission.org

and this proposal grows from that intent. As they enter new stages of life, we feel called to help them use their gifts to bless younger kids.

Previous Synod and Presbytery Support of These Leaders

The Synod and Presbytery have previously supported this expression of our outward incarnational focus:

- In 2016, Synod invested \$2000 in the efforts of Life Skillz students to support people with developmental disabilities and sent one of the students considering a career in medicine to Westminster Woods to work with developmentally disabled campers.
- In 2018, the Presbytery of Riverside Partners in Ministry partnered with FPCSB to invest in outdoor adventures for young adult Life Skillz students. The Presbytery also invested in additional leadership development for three of these youth in the form of Kaleidoscope Summer Institute training in 2018.
- In 2022, supported by a Presbytery Partner in Ministry grant, FPCSB held a Life Skillz rock-climbing trip to Joshua Tree co-led by a Life Skillz alumnus who now is a Ranger at Whitewater preserve (Riverside Co). The wonder of this trip was the seed for this grant.

A Season for Local Young Adult Leaders for Urban Teens

For 8 years our Life Skillz **students have suggested our 'next steps'** – this created the internship program, their enthusiasm caused its growth. We now have an exceptional **group of young adults for whom outdoor experiences were transformational**. When we've taken Life Skillz outdoors, we've watched them delight in toasting marshmallows, climbing rocks, seeing falling snow or a national park. Relationships deepen, there is time for conversation, we build trust. They come home changed.

For what can be known about God is perfectly plain, for God has made it plain. Ever since the creation of the world, God's everlasting power and deity is there for the mind to see in all the things that God has created. –Romans 1:20

In addition to the young man who led the rock-climbing trip, two more of our 2016 grads now lead outdoor experiences professionally. These same young adults went on our first rock-climbing trip and completed Kaleidoscope training. One stayed local and worked her way up to being a ranger. She joined the church and recently finished her first 3-year term as a Deacon. Two completed college degrees (the first in their families) in the sciences and became outdoor professionals. They all work in outdoor education and are friends.

We propose to empower these three young adults to lead outdoor experiences for current teenagers. As we build on their education, work experience, and natural abilities, we know that they will be **relatable mentors and models for our Life Skillz students, will uplift their home community, and will make the benefits of outdoor experiences accessible to our urban teens.**

Project Activities and Expected Costs

Experienced adult volunteers from FPCSB will accompany the young leaders and students. The young adult leaders will receive stipends for their valuable contributions. They will plan, lead, manage, and evaluate the outdoor Life Skillz program. Participants will experience wonder and a new connection to nature; will build community with supportive peers and adults, and see themselves represented in leadership. They will know the power of delight and awe.

The specific activities of this project will include:

- a planning and strategy retreat where leaders craft the year's destinations, activities & budgets
- 3 outdoor experiences for small groups of high school students.
- a wrap-up/next steps retreat in which young adult leaders plan the next year's program.

Project funds will be spent on:

- \$9000 in stipends (\$600 each per weekend) will fairly compensate the 3 young adult now professional outdoor leaders for their valuable contributions.
- \$7565 will provide an activity budget for transportation, rental and activity fees, and overnight accommodations for 3 outdoor trips (destinations and costs determined during the planning retreat.)
- \$3960 will supply students with outdoor equipment and supplies that urban kids do not have access to – sleeping bags, sleeping pads, tents, warm clothing, etc. Personal items will be retained by participants, and reusable equipment will be acquired and maintained for future trips.
- FPCSB will commit matching resources in the form of adult leadership, volunteers, and supplies for the 5 grant related events - the beginning planning retreat, the ending evaluation retreat, and the 3 excursions.

The specific events and expenditures will be determined during the planning retreat allowing our young leaders to bring their diverse gifts while ensuring that the activities meet our standards for youth nurture and safety. An evaluation retreat at the conclusion will ensure that we learn how to proceed in the future to engage our students and young adults in the natural world, the building of skills and confidence, and in accompanying our youth in their growth as community leaders.

Other Partners

FPCSB is an active participant in the Presbytery, Synod, and the PCUSA. We are one of the few churches in California that has participated in all 4 special offerings as long as they have existed. In addition to the Presbytery and Synod, San Bernardino High School, the Kaleidoscope Institute, Pastor Wayne Morrow and Desert Hills Presbyterian Church, our Presbyterian Women, a member of Spirit of the Desert, and others are additional partners in the effort to connect our worshipping community with our SBHS Life Skillz community.

Timeline

February 2023:

Application for Funding

Spring 2023

Until full project funding is secured, hold a leadership team-building exploratory trip using alternative funding (e.g. rock-climbing with Desert Hills Presbyterian Church). This trip is to retain and build interest and excitement until full project funding is secured.

Upon Receipt of Grant:

Notification of church leadership and outdoor team.

Month 1:

Schedule planning retreat for young adult and congregational outdoor team leaders.

Months 2-3:

Hold Planning Retreat & Acquire related resources

Within 18 months (seasonality & weather):

Complete 3 outdoor experiences for small groups of Life Skillz students.

Within 2 months of third event,

Hold retreat to evaluate project and determine next steps.

Periodically and upon project completion: Report to Presbytery and Synod.

All activities should be completed within 2 years of receiving grant.

Estimated Budget (attached) shows derivation of estimated costs per category based on previous trips, assuming 8 students, 3 young adult leaders, and 3 congregational representatives. Actual expense items and amounts to be determined.

Category	Item	Per Unit Cost	Units	Per Event	Cost per Event	Events	Total		
Personnel									
Beginning & Ending Planning Retreats	Young Adult Stipend	\$ 600	1	3	\$1,800	2	\$3,600		
Outing Leadership	Young Adult Stipend	\$ 600	1	3	\$1,800	3	\$5,400		
							\$9,000	Total Stipend	
Lifeskillz Outings - From Rock-climbing example. Young Adults to Plan & Determine									
Fees	e.g. Climbing Fees	\$ 70	14	1	\$980				
Food	Meals	\$ 9	14	5	\$630				
Transportation	Miles*	\$ 0.655	180	4	\$472				
Other	Per event	\$ 300	1	1	\$300				
Incidentals	Per person	\$ 10	14	1	\$140				
*65.5 cents per mile (2023 IRS rate as estimate of related costs)					\$2,522	3	\$7,565	Total Expense Budget	
Equipment	e.g. sleeping bags, snorkels, ??	\$ 125	8	1	\$1,000	3	\$3,000	Reusable Equipment	
Personal Supplies	e.g. appropriate clothing	\$ 40	8	1	\$320	3	\$960	Participant needs	
					\$1,320		\$3,960		
Event Deposit	Student Commitment Fee (may apply for church scholarship)	\$ (20)	8	1	(\$160)	3	(\$480)		
	Pay it Forward	\$ 20	8	1	\$160	3	\$480	Future trip scholarships	
							\$20,525	Total	
FPCSB will provide:								Grant Request	
Retreat facilities & thank you gifts for any partner churches									
Adult volunteers for supervision and to facilitate planning and evaluation retreats									
Regular staff (e.g. pastor, office administrator) costs									
Office supplies									
Hardship scholarships for students committed but unable to provide \$20 fee.									
Training and background checks per child-safe policy.									
Insurance and any other costs necessary for a safe and successful trip.									



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We just received these and believe they support our grant application submitted on 2/6/23. These are the words of our students, past and present, who have grown and benefitted from participating in LifeSkillz and the Internship program. We think they speak volumes about the value of this outreach ministry.

“I am grateful to have been a part of the program as it provided a strong foundation for my professional development. I am inclined to work in an area where I can see the fruits of my labor and I was able to see that in several projects around the church. I still think of the great work projects that my peers and I contributed to but perhaps more importantly, the great memories we made along the way. So thank you for your contribution in keeping this program going as it will have an everlasting impact on students in the years to come.”

Ernie, Class of 2016
Our first Intern

“My time as an intern was so impactful that it has forever affected the paths I’ve taken in my life journey, and I will be forever grateful. I gained wonderful hands on experience participating in various projects and tasks that I now have a better sense of necessary skills for my adult life. I also was able to form bonds with those in church and my own underclassmen, both of whom I would have never had the chance to properly interact with had I not participated. In this way I’m very grateful for the connections I formed in the program, and see them as precious. Going forward in life, I hope to continue my current connection to the program simply because of how important it was to me when I was an intern.”

Alexia, Class of 2017

“Being an intern helped me gain more confidence in myself and helped me become more social with my peers. I was also given the opportunity to learn new things such as how to use certain power tools. Now I get excited when I see one that I know how to use!!!”

Isabel, Class of 2021

“I was asked what the internship program means to me. What pops up for me is growth in myself as a person. I was a quiet and shy person before being introduced to the internship program. It taught me how to interact and work with people I may not know personally which then helped me in the long run because now I am more confident in talking and expressing myself. Second, it helped grow my work and leadership skills. I have always known I like to help people and keep myself busy and the internship program helped me learn skills that prepared me for my current job. Lastly, it made me realize that what I loved most is helping others to grow like I did because of the internship program”

Ariana, Class of 2022

“I have had the honor of being part of Life Skillz Circle, a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and an intern for the church for five years. I can confidently say the program and the church have impacted my life in a positive way these past years. I used to be very shy before I was part of this program. This program has helped me become more confident, supported me throughout my schooling and gave me advice. This program means more to me than words can describe. It has become my safe place, a place where I know I will always have someone listen. I have now become an intern supervisor and I try to make the interns feel the way I felt as an intern. The internship is a place for students to be heard, and to help them feel more confident and to grow.” Marlene, Class of 2021

“At first I just wanted to join the internship to get some money and have a small idea of how it is to have a job, but ended up doing far more than that. Yes, I’ve learned how to work in a team, learn how to do some yard work and experienced how it felt to be a leader. But what has been more important to me is becoming friends with new people and letting them see the real me, my real laugh, my real feelings, my real jokes, my real face...not my mask. I wouldn’t have imagined I would become so close and comfortable with my peers and actually enjoy waking up early in the morning to come to work. It has also been a good distraction when things aren’t going so well. I still laugh every time I come, no matter what.”

Breanna, Class of 2023

“For me the internship program meant a new opportunity to help my community and has been a good way to take good advantage of my time. I feel like the internship program doesn’t only mean helping other people, but also yourself. I say this because it helped me with self-growth and morals. I showed me what empathy can look like. I was also a good way to spend my Saturday evenings. I loved creating new bonds and just growing closer to people, learning new skills and using them in my everyday life.” Ana, Class of 2026

“I’ve worked as an intern two times and it has been a wonderful experience for the future. I got to practice for future job interviews with applying. I was able to get out of my comfort zone and was able to work along side friends and make new friends too. Even though we are part of the same club and school, we get closer when we work as interns. It is a great way to learn leadership, responsibility and gain the ability to work with others.” Ileana, Class of 2023

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Report of the Partnering Grants Committee
to the Commission of Assembly
June 3, 2023

Since the last Commission of Assembly meeting, your Partnering Grants Committee met once to review partnering grant proposals and make the following recommendations to the Commission of Assembly.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION

1. **Approve** funding the partnering grant request from Santa Barbara Presbytery (Stonebridge Community Church) at \$25,000

- the application asks for \$50,000, however there is only \$25,000 in the Santa Barbara Partnering Grants account
- with approval this will deplete the Santa Barbara account

2. **Approve** funding the partnering grant requests from Riverside Presbytery at \$178,866.33 as follows:

- Beaumont - \$12,000, El Buen Pastor - \$20,000, Hemet - \$10,000, Lake Arrowhead - \$7,400, Riverside Magnolia - \$87,446.33, Northkirk - \$1,269, Ridgecrest - \$20,226, San Bernardino - \$20,525
- with approval, this will deplete the Riverside account

3. **Disburse** remaining partnering grant funds allocated to each presbytery to that presbytery for use in accordance with the guidelines of the partnering grant program with annual reporting to the COA required and **dismiss** the Synod Partnering Grants Committee with thanks

- a sub-committee of the committee began working to update the Synod Partnering Grant Protocols
- it appeared to the sub-committee that these funds were already approved for each presbytery and the Partnering Grants Committee created an extra layer of bureaucracy
- the sub-committee recommended the funds be disbursed, the committee concurred
- in order to advance our connectionalism, the use of these funds should be reported back to the COA, but without the intermediate Partnering Grant Committee

Attached to this report are:

- 1) draft minutes of our May 10, 2023 zoom meeting, detailing our discussion and resulting recommendations
- 2) The Partnering Grant Request from Santa Barbara
- 3) The Partnering Grant Requests from Riverside

Synod Partnering Grants Committee
Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
ZOOM Meeting
Wednesday, May 10 3 pm

PRESENT: Paul Knopf (Chair), Mark Hong (Synod Executive/Stated Clerk), Dave Worth, N'Yisrela Watts-Afriyie, Jeya So, Che Shim.

Opening

Paul opened and welcomed those that were present and called the meeting to order.

- Jeya So was asked to record the minutes of the meeting.
- Quorum was declared.

Business

1. Discussion on Committee Protocol
 - a. A new protocol document draft was sent to the committee members ahead of the meeting. It was suggested that before discussing the committee protocol, a motion to make a recommendation to the Synod Committee of Assembly. Depending on the motion and its acceptance at COA, the discussion of committee protocol will be reintroduced.
2. Discussion on Synod Partnering Grants Committee
 - a. **Motion:** Recommendation to the Commission of Assembly to give the remaining partnering grant funds allocated to each presbytery to that presbytery for use in accordance with the guidelines of the partnering grant program, without synod oversight and for the Synod Partnering Grants Committee to be dismissed.
 - b. Motion seconded.
 - c. Discussion
 - i. This money was allocated for use for presbyteries and it seems an extra step of bureaucracy to have this committee approve what presbyteries have already approved
 - ii. There has been some expectation, however, for oversight on how it would be used and a reminder was made that there should be wise stewardship in how we use this money, especially as we consider "the least of these."
 - iii. Although the Matthew 25 movement came after the establishing of this committee, it serves as a guide (even if not officially) for how money is stewarded by congregations, presbyteries, and the synod.
 - iv. The same stipulations would exist as they currently do, but the presbytery would have primary oversight.
 - v. Will the money be replenished once it's sent down?
 1. It is possible and that we should also keep in mind that the usage and policies regarding these grants have been revised over the years. Originally this could not be used for capital or payroll but this is no longer the case.
 2. There is also a separate grant allocated for Matthew 25 projects, so the committee may be reassured that this concern is being met by Synod.

- vi. The committee was reminded of the history of this grant and concern was expressed over the loss of the connectional nature of our denomination, should this pass.
- vii. The concern that this might set a precedent to allow presbyteries to overlook the use of grants for historically marginalized communities was named. The synod was historically a layer of protection for these communities.
- viii. There was concern expressed that although this funding has been available since 2005, presbyteries didn't seem to know about it and the money has remained unused until now.
 - 1. Riverside Presbytery was commended on their informational gathering and structures put in place to allow for every congregation in their presbytery to become aware of this grant.
- ix. The suggestion was made that if the funding is replenished, we should revise the guidelines to include Matthew 25.
- x. A reminder that future funding is beyond the current scope of the committee was made.
- d. **A motion to amend** was made to include annual reporting to the synod COA for the use of these funds by the presbytery.
- e. The motion was seconded, voted, and passed unanimously.
- f. **New motion reads:** Recommendation to the Synod Commission of Assembly (COA) to give the remaining partnering grant funds allocated to each presbytery to that presbytery for use in accordance with the guidelines of the partnering grant program with annual reporting to the COA required; and for the Synod Partnering Grants Committee to be dismissed with thanks.
- g. Discussion was closed.
- h. Motion was voted on and passed unanimously.
- 3. Santa Barbara Presbytery and Stonebridge Community Church
 - a. Before a motion was made and discussion was had, there was a reminder that although Stonebridge has requested \$50,000, they only have \$25,000 left as part of their allocated funding.
 - b. **Motion:** The committee recommends to the COA that the funding be approved to Santa Barbara Presbytery for use for the Stonebridge Community Church project for \$25,000 pending proof of presbytery approval.
 - c. Motion seconded.
 - d. Discussion:
 - i. It was noted that the request was sent along from the office of the General Presbyter of Santa Barbara Presbytery, however, there has been a request made for an official statement from committee or the Stated Clerk.
 - e. Discussion was closed.
 - f. Motion was voted on and carried unanimously.
 - g. Mark will let Jason Micheli know of the decision.
- 4. Discussion on Riverside Presbytery
 - a. Because Rev. Paul Knopf is the temporary stated clerk of Riverside Presbytery, he recused himself from moderating the Riverside Presbytery discussion and turned the chair to Rev. Dave Worth.
 - b. Paul is asked to remain briefly to answer any questions regarding the grant requests.
 - c. Point of clarity: Is the "synod partnering grants committee" being used synonymously with "the synod partnering grants task force"?

- i. It is not. “The synod partnering grants task force” is from the Riverside Presbytery and was assembled to pre-vet the grants before they came before the SPGC of the Synod. An explanation was given of how the task force approved (or rejected) the grant request was given.
 - d. It was noted that Paul will still make the report to the COA in June and will let the COA know that he recused himself for this discussion.
 - e. Paul was excused to a waiting room.
 - f. It was suggested that the motion be made as a consent docket item, considering all the 8 requests made were treated as 1, since they all came from Riverside Presbytery.
 - g. **Motion:** Synod Partnering Grants request as recommended as recommended by the SPG Task Force and PC as follows (also found on page 2 of 59 from the Riverside Presbytery packet):
 - i. Beaumont - \$12,000
 - ii. El Buen Pastor - \$20,000
 - iii. Hemet - \$10,000
 - iv. Lake Arrowhead - \$7,400
 - v. Riverside Magnolia - \$87, 446.33
 - vi. Northkirk - \$1,269.00
 - vii. Ridgecrest - \$20,226
 - viii. San Bernardino - \$20,525
 - h. Motion seconded
 - i. There was no further discussion, was voted upon and carried with 3 affirmative and 1 abstention.
 - j. The synod will write one check to the presbytery, who will disburse the funds to each project as allocated.
 - k. Paul Knopf was invited back into the meeting.
5. Other business
- a. A comment was made that should the COA not receive the recommendation for the dissolution of this committee, or should a similar committee arise, it will be important to note the function of the committee including communication (eg: sharing of the minutes), and that a worshipful component including prayer for the synod and presbyteries, whether there is business to attend or not, would be good to included.
6. The meeting is adjourned with gratitude and prayer.

Submitted By,
 Jeya So
 Recorder – May 10, 2023

(hold for Presbytery Endorsement Letter)

StoneBridge Community Church Application Synod Partnership Grant

Project: To build an outdoor sanctuary that will allow immuno-compromised people to worship safely during Covid-19 outbreaks and will enable StoneBridge to worship in a unique way, while also providing a venue for outdoor events in the city of Simi Valley. (See attached plans.)

Background: StoneBridge began hosting outdoor worship services in the church courtyard during Covid-19. The congregation has undeveloped land with approved permits that are, at this time, unrealistic. In Spring 2021, StoneBridge began pursuing plans for an outdoor sanctuary to make the outdoor worship experience the norm for the congregation.

Amount Requested: StoneBridge is asking for \$50k from the Synod of So. Cal. and Hawaii.

Who Will Benefit: StoneBridge is seeking to build this primarily for those who are immuno-compromised and for whom the Covid-19 pandemic is not over. StoneBridge is seeking to provide an outdoor worship experience for them, as the spread of Covid-19 is diminished in outdoor settings. The congregation of StoneBridge will also benefit from worshipping in a new expression and approaching church in a different, less traditional form. The city of Simi Valley will also benefit with a new outdoor venue available for community events. StoneBridge is discussing possibilities such as hosting "Shakespeare in the Park," partnering with local schools on musical performances, and other community events that will allow the immunosuppressed in Simi Valley to engage their community safely.

Overall Hope: That people who are immunocompromised and live with increased risk from Covid-19 won't have to choose between their health and their physical participation in the body of Christ. That the younger families in StoneBridge feel connected to a different, unique way of worshipping God by regularly worshipping outdoors. That the city of Simi Valley has a place for outdoor events that is safe and well-maintained. And that through all of this, people in Simi Valley get a glimpse of the God who loves them.

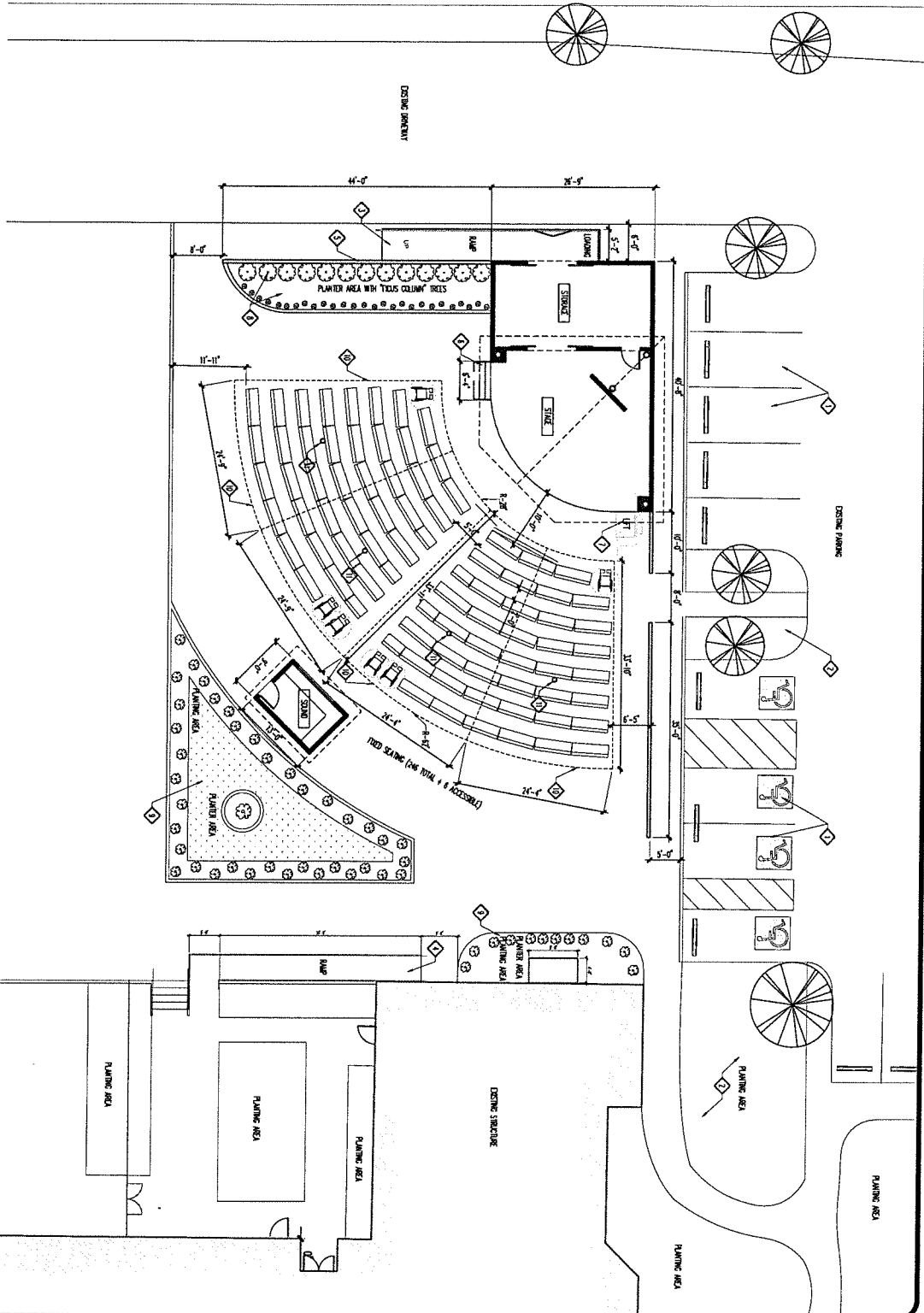
Session and Congregation Support: The Session of StoneBridge has voted at multiple stages to fund this project. (Minutes attached) The idea was presented to the congregation mid-2022. While no formal vote was taken, the congregation voiced its excitement and support.

Potential Objections: StoneBridge anticipates a cost of close to \$1 million. The congregation has approx. \$620k from previous capital campaigns. The remaining \$380k will have to be raised or financed. The primary objection to this will be affordability.

Status: A formal application was submitted to the Planning Department of Simi Valley in late 2022 for an amendment to existing permits. StoneBridge is awaiting approval of that application. Once approved, StoneBridge will engage the Building and Safety Department of Simi Valley.

SITE PLAN NOTES

- 1. = (1) PARKING
- 2. = (1) PLANTER AREA
- 3. = NEW RAMP FOR LOADING DOCK
- 4. = NEW ACCESSIBLE RAMP
- 5. = 4' HIGH 2X6 S&D WALL WITH STEPS ON BOTH SIDES - STONE BRIDGE SCREENING WALL, SEE SITE PLAN
- 6. = STAIR ACCESS STEPS
- 7. = "BRAND" 4"X8" ACCESSIBLE OUTDOOR PLATFORM LIFT
- 8. = (6) PLANTER AREA WITH "TODUS COLUMN" TREES
- 9. = (N) PLANTER AREA
- 10. = CHURCH STRUCTURE OVER STAGING AREA
- 11. = STEEL CHURCH POST



PARTIAL SITE PLAN

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



OUTDOOR WORSHIP AREA
FOR:
STONEBRIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
ADDRESS: 4832 COCHRAN ST, SIMI VALLEY, CA 93065

R.M. DESIGNS
RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL PLANNERS

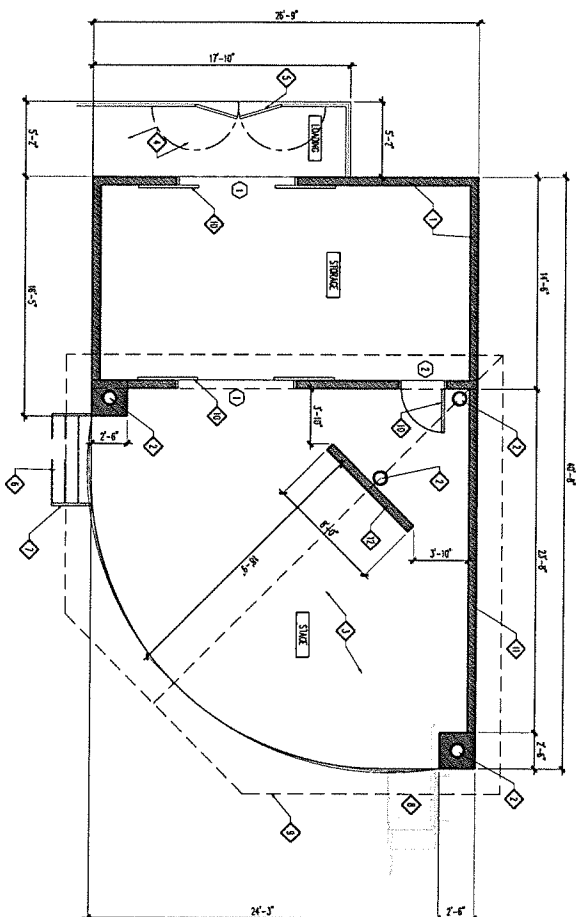
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FLOOR PLAN NOTES

- ① = 2x6 STUD WALL
- ② = METAL COLLARS FOR STRUCTURAL
- ③ = 2" RIGID FOAMED SLATE PLASTER
- ④ = 2" RIGID FOAMED PLASTER
- ⑤ = 4" METAL BOLTING WITH LOCKING CAPS
- ⑥ = SLATE ACCESS STEPS
- ⑦ = METAL PLANKS
- ⑧ = "BROAD" 4750# ACCESSIBLE OUTDOOR PLATFORM LIFT, SEE SHEET A-4
- ⑨ = LIFT OF BOSS CORNER
- ⑩ = DOOR, SEE DOOR SCHEDULE
- ⑪ = SLATE SCHEDING WALL, 13'-10" TALL
- ⑫ = SLATE METAL WALL, 10'-0" TALL



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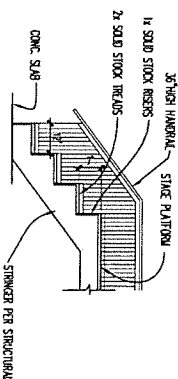
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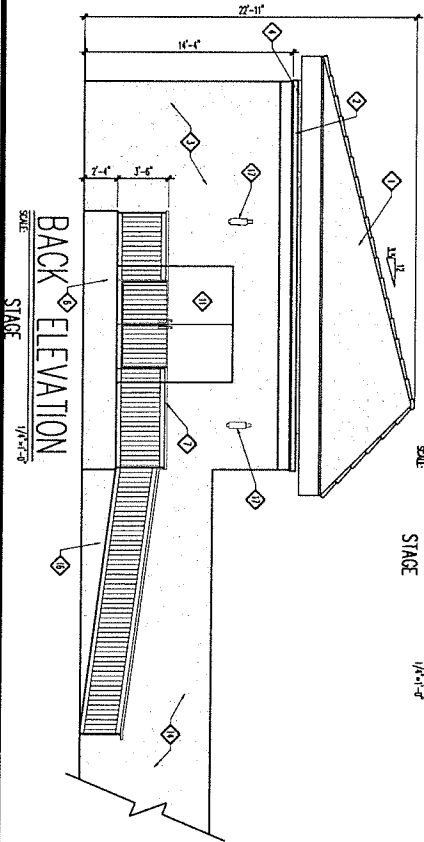
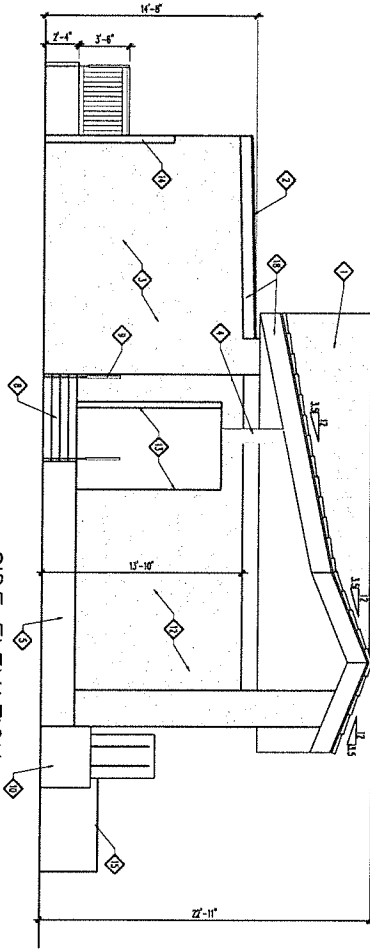
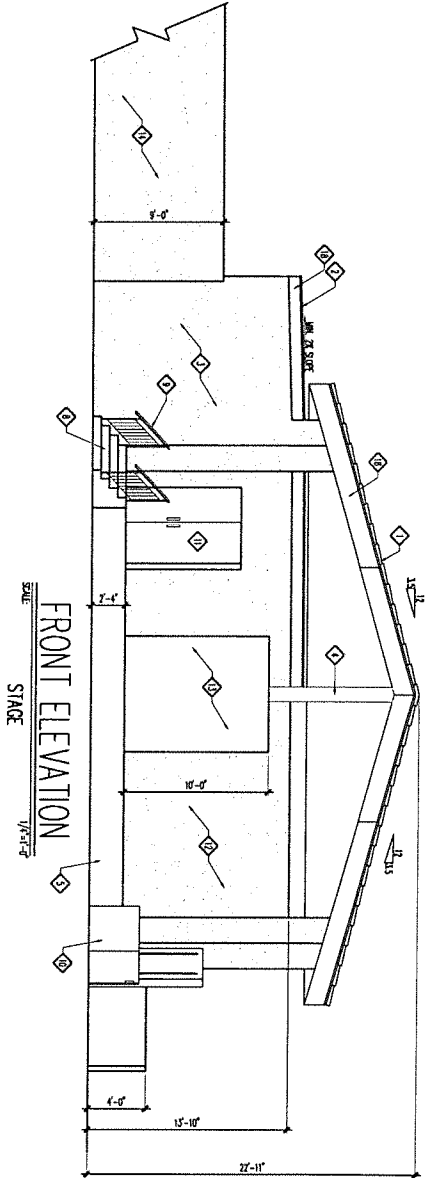
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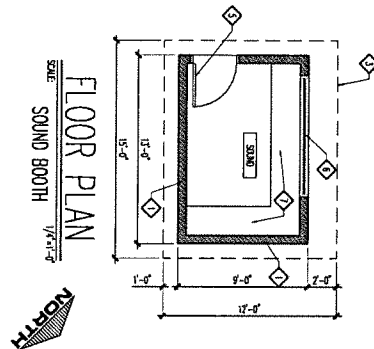
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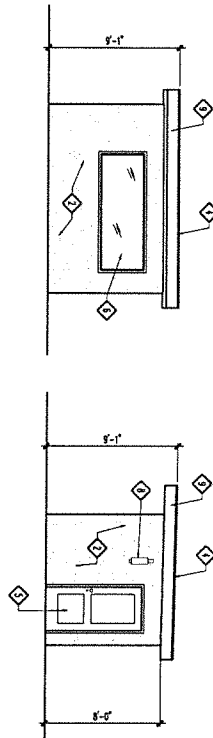
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- 2. STUDS FINISH TO MATCH EXISTING STRUCTURES
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FLOOR PLAN
SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"



ELEVATIONS
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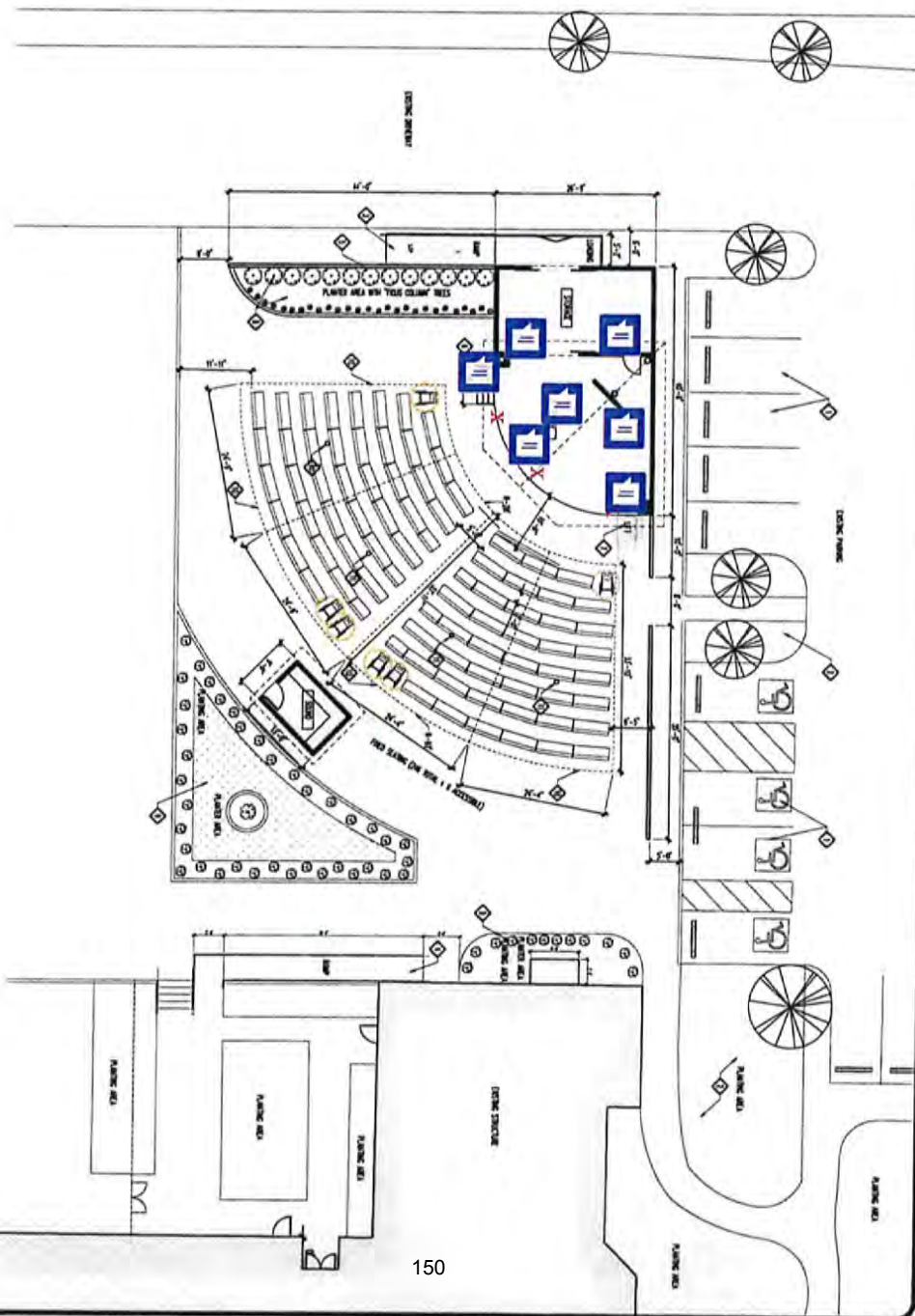
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PARTIAL SITE PLAN
SCALE 1/8" = 1'-0"

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AM7212/00

High Power 2-Way Loudspeaker
with 1 x 2" LF

Professional Series

Key Features:

- ▶ 100° x 100° Coverage
- ▶ 2262H Differential Drive® Low-Frequency Driver
- ▶ 2432H High-Frequency Compression Driver
- ▶ Large PT™ Progressive Transition waveguide for excellent pattern control and low distortion
- ▶ Rotatable waveguide for vertical or horizontal orientation
- ▶ Bi-Amp/Passive Switchable
- ▶ Available in Black, White and WRC/WRX finishes

Applications:

- ▶ Performing Arts Facilities
- ▶ Theatrical Sound Design
- ▶ Auditoriums
- ▶ Worship Facilities
- ▶ Live Clubs
- ▶ Dance Clubs
- ▶ Sports Facilities
- ▶ Themed Entertainment Venues

The AM7212/00 is a high power, lightweight, 2-way, full-range loudspeaker system comprised of the JBL Differential Drive dual voice coil and dual magnetic gap 2262H 300mm (12 in) low-frequency driver and 2432H high-frequency 38 mm (1.5 in) exit, 75 mm (3 in) voice-coil compression driver. The large format Progressive Transition waveguide provides excellent 100° x 100° coverage. The waveguide is rotatable so the loudspeaker system can be used in either the vertical or horizontal orientation. High-slope passive networks minimize band overlap. Well-controlled off-axis response enhances arrayability.

The enclosure is constructed of multi-ply birch coated in JBL's rugged DuraFlex™ finish and is heavily braced to maximize low-frequency performance. The trapezoid enclosure is fitted with fifteen M10 threaded attachment points and utilizes a 14-gauge steel grille internally lined with acoustically transparent foam to provide additional driver protection and give a very professional appearance.

The AM7212/00 is part of JBL's AE Series, a versatile family of loudspeakers intended for a wide variety of applications.



Specifications:

System:

Frequency Range ¹ (-10 dB):	36 Hz – 20 kHz
Frequency Response ² (±3 dB):	42 Hz – 20 kHz
Coverage Pattern:	100° x 100°
Directivity Factor (Q):	8.3
Directivity Index (DI):	9.1 dB
Crossover Modes:	Bi-amp/Passive switchable
Passive Crossover Frequency:	1.5 kHz
Transducer Power Rating (AES):	LF: 1000 W (1000 W peak), 2 hrs 700 W (2800 W peak), 100 hrs HF: 100 W (100 W peak), 2 hrs
Long-Term System Power Rating (IEC):	Passive mode: 600 W (2400 W peak), 100 hrs
Maximum SPL (dB-SPL, 1W @ 1m):	Bi-amp mode: LF: 126 dB-SPL, cont avg (132 dB peak) HF: 131 dB-SPL, cont avg (137 dB peak) Passive mode: 123 dB-SPL, cont avg (129 dB peak)
System Sensitivity ³ (1W @ 1m):	Passive mode: 95 dB SPL

Transducers:

Low-Frequency Driver:	1 x JBL 2262H 300 mm (12 in) Differential Drive® driver with 75 mm (3 in) dual voice coil
Nominal Impedance:	8 ohms
Sensitivity (1W @ 1m, within operational band):	96 dB SPL
High-Frequency Driver:	JBL 2432H, 38 mm (1.5 in) exit compression driver, 75 mm (3 in) voice coil
Nominal Impedance:	8 ohms
Sensitivity (1W @ 1m):	111 dB SPL
Waveguide:	PT-111010HF-1

Physical:

Enclosure:	Trapezoidal with 15 degree side angles, 16 mm (5/8 in) exterior grade 11-ply Finnish birch plywood
Suspension Attachment:	15 points (4 top, 4 bottom, 2 each side, 3 rear), M10 threaded hardware
Finish:	Black DuraFlex™ finish. White available upon request.
Grille:	Powder coated 14 gauge perforated steel, with acoustically transparent black foam backing.
Input Connector:	NLA Neutrik Speakon® and CE-compliant covered barrier strip terminals. Barrier terminals accept up to 5.2 sq mm (10 AWG) wire or max width 9 mm (.375 in) spade lugs. Speakon in parallel with barrier strip for loop-through.
Environmental Specifications:	Mil-Std 810; IP-x3 per IEC529.
Dimensions (H x W x D in vertical cabinet orientation):	711 x 369 x 458 mm (28.0 x 14.5 x 18.0 in)
Net Weight:	23.1 kg (51 lb)
Optional Accessories:	M10 x 35 mm forged shoulder eyebolts with washers U-Bracket MTU-3

¹Bi-amp mode, with recommended active tuning.

²Resultant engineered acoustical response of crossover network and components.

³AES standard, one decade pink noise with 6 dB crest factor within device's operational band, free air. Standard AES 2 hr rating plus long-term 100 hr rating are specified for low-frequency transducers.

⁴IEC standard, full bandwidth pink noise with 6 dB crest factor, 100 hours.

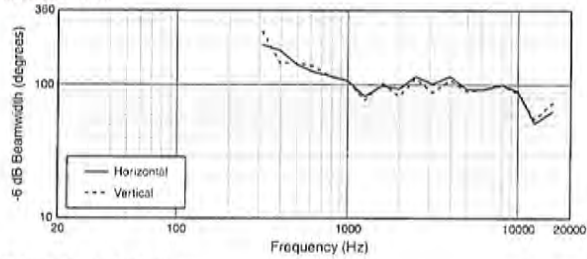
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⁶In free field with no sensitivity gain from boundary loading.

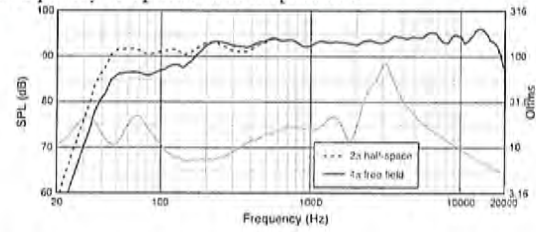
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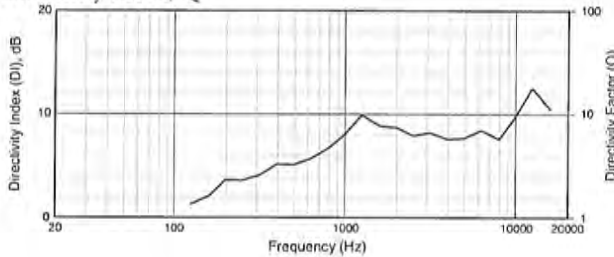
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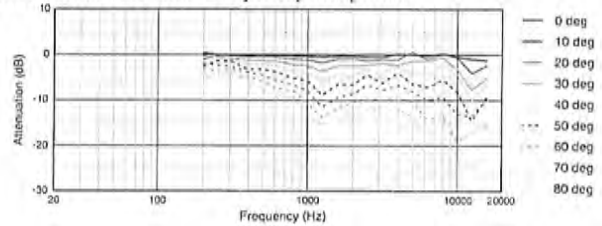
Frequency Response and Impedance



Directivity Index, Q



Horizontal Off-Axis Frequency Response

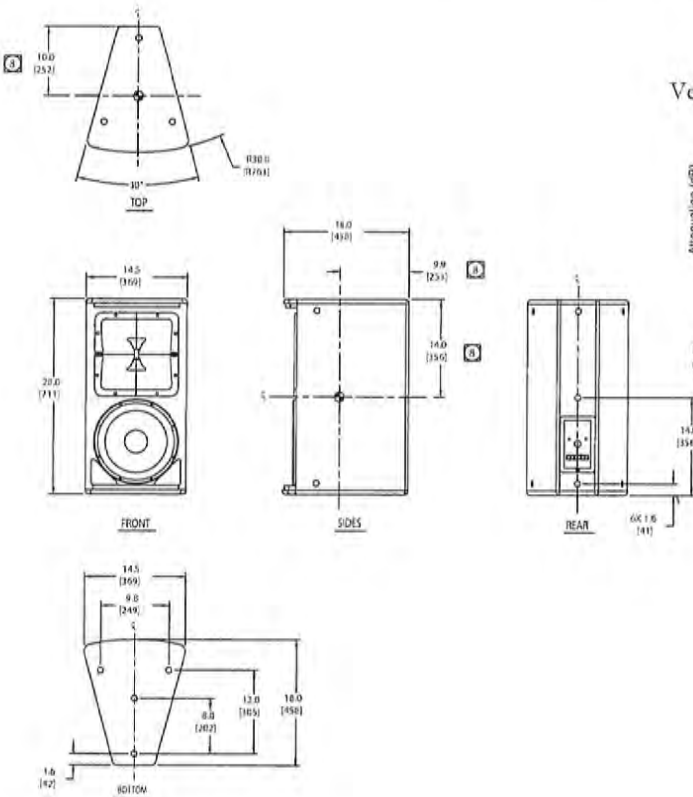


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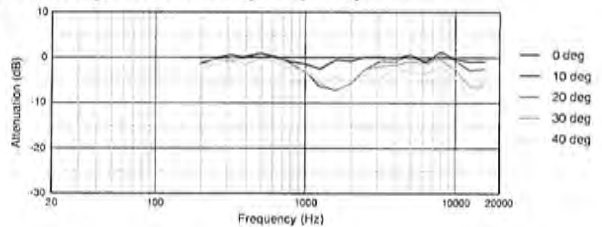
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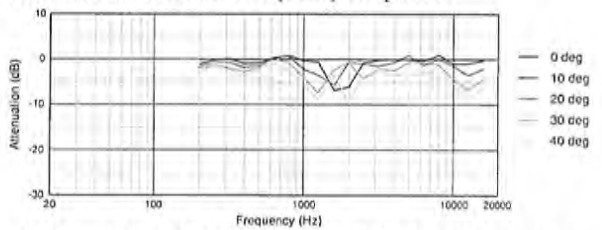
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Vertical Up Off-Axis Frequency Response

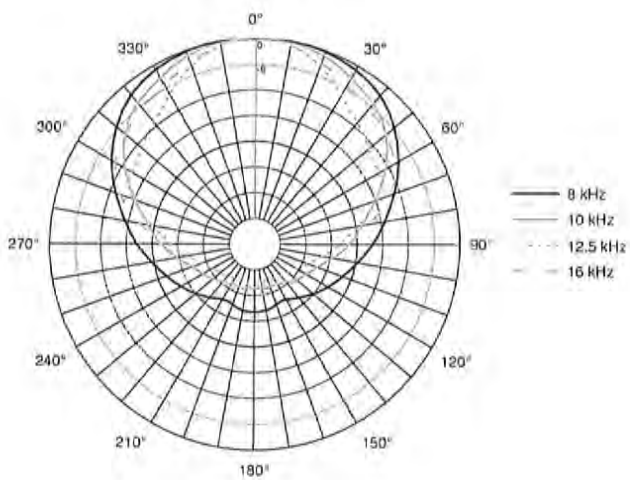
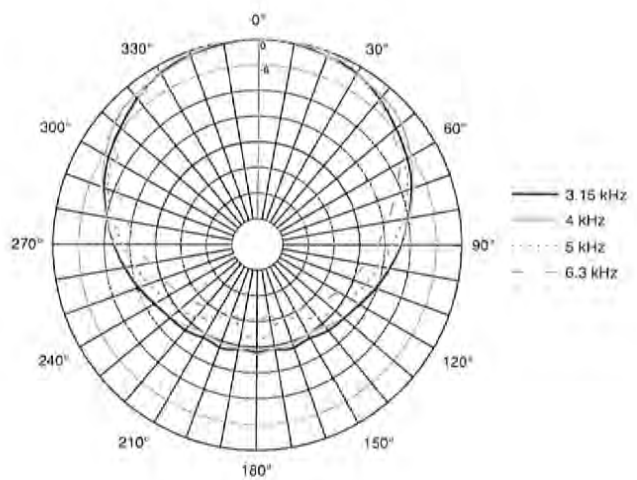
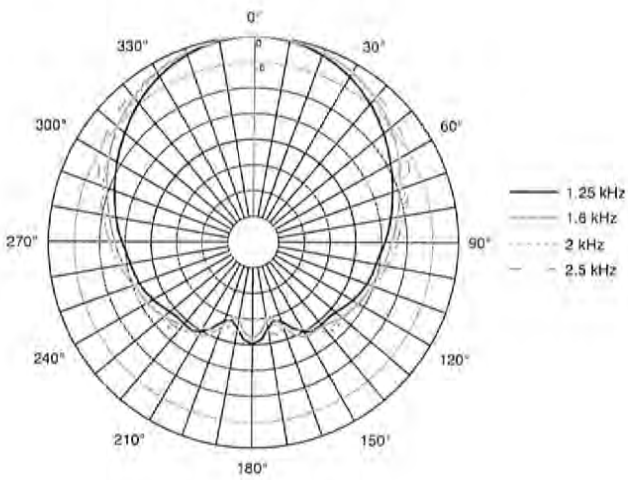
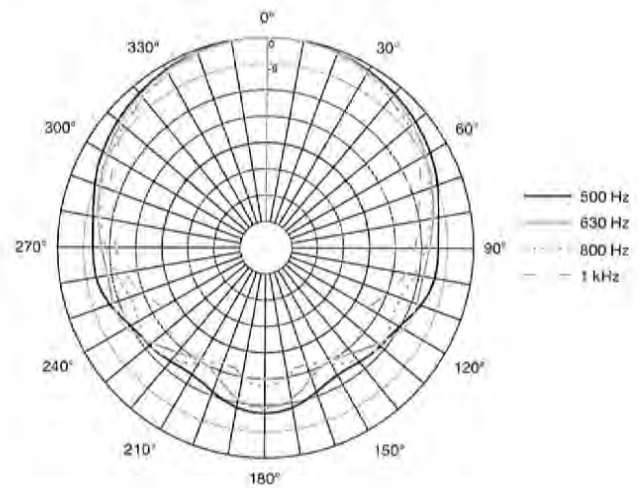
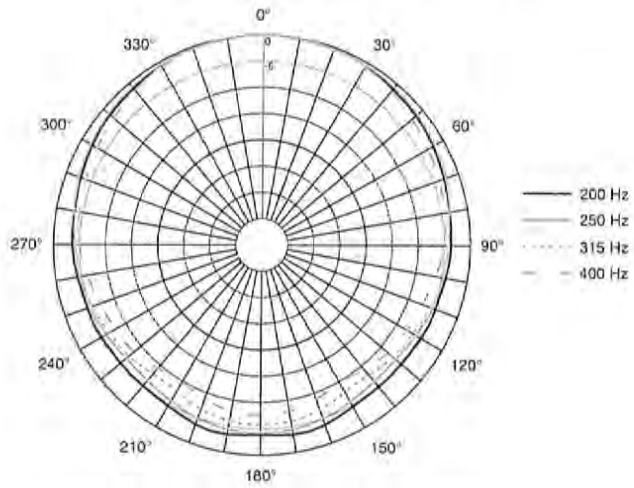


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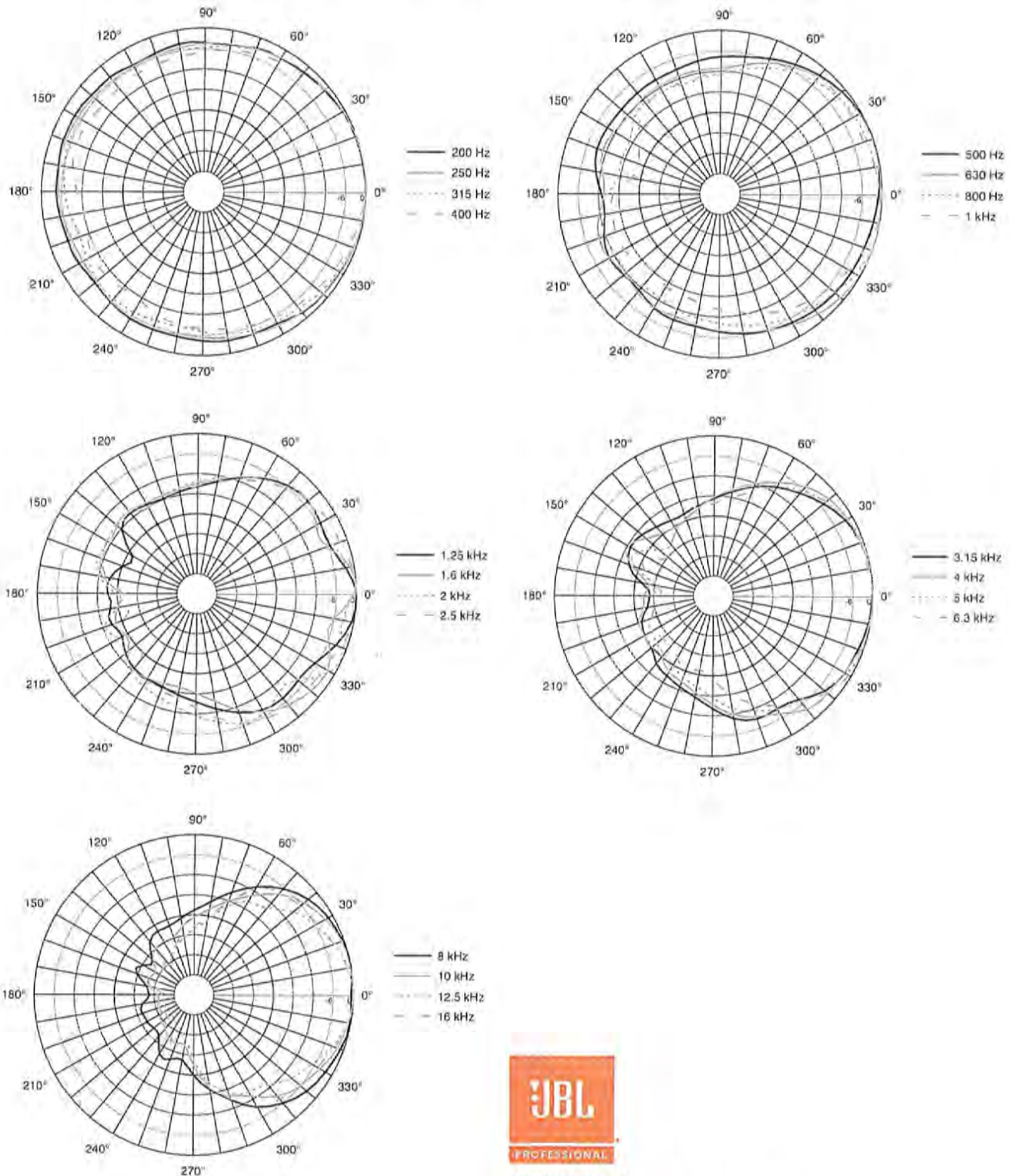
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Horizontal 1/3 Octave Polars



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Vertical 1/3 Octave Polars



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Features

- The latest technology based on Crown's proprietary and patented DriveCore™ technology, these amplifiers are the next generation of PWM technology using cutting edge Class D amplifier topologies
- True Rack Density – power points of 300W or 600W in 2/4/8 channel configurations and 1250W in 2/4 channel configurations; includes bridgable outputs of 300-2500W, all in a 2U form factor, providing flexibility in designs
- Minimum Guaranteed Power Ratings – DCi amplifiers are guaranteed to deliver at least the rated power in the specifications over a longer period of time than any other competing amplifier
- Direct Drive "Constant Voltage" capabilities on a channel by channel basis for 70Vrms or 100Vrms amplification without the use of a step up frequency limiting transformer for higher audio quality
- HiQnet Audio Architect™ supported amplifier
- Advanced PFC universal power supply provides market-leading efficiency, and is designed to deliver maximum power no matter where the amplifier is located; Universal AC input accepts 100 – 240VAC, 50/60Hz (±10%)
- DriveCore includes five patents that are also included in Crown's flagship touring amplifier I-Tech HD4, providing best-in-class versatility and durability
- TCP/IP based protocol in HiQnet™ for network monitoring and control
- Revolutionary cooling system focuses airflow on parts that need it most, maximizing efficiency while minimizing heat and noise
- BLU link compatibility – low latency, fault tolerant, digital audio bus, capable of routing 256 channels using standard Category 5e cabling (over a distance of 100m between devices), provides an unprecedented level of routing flexibility

Network Monitoring and Control features include:

- Continuous Load Monitoring
- Comprehensive Error Reporting
- Pilot Tone Monitoring
- Programmable General Purpose Input/Output (GPIO) Ports

Digital Signal Processing (DSP) features include:

- LevelMAX™ Limiters for Inputs and Outputs with Thermal Limiting
- Input Compressor
- Input and Output Delay
- Input and Output EQ
- Signal Generator
- Crossover

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DriveCore™ Install Network Series



8|600N model shown



4|1250N model shown



4|2400N model shown

Power Matrix

Model	Channels	2Ω	4Ω	8Ω	70Vrms	100Vrms
2 300N	2	150W	300W	300W	300W	300W
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4 600N	4	300W	600W	600W	600W	600W
8 300N	8	150W	300W	300W	300W	300W
8 600N	8	300W	600W	600W	600W	600W
2 1250N	2	1250W	1250W	1250W	1250W	1250W
4 1250N	4	1250W	1250W	1250W	1250W	1250W
2 2400N	2	2100W	2400W	1900W	2100W	2300W
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Performance Specifications		2 300N	4 300N	8 300N	2 600N	4 600N	8 600N	2 1250N	4 1250N	2 2400N	4 2400N
Frequency Response	(8Ω, 20Hz - 20kHz)	-0.25dB									
BLU link Input Signal to Noise Ratio (A-Weighted)		>108dB									
Total Harmonic Distortion (at full rated power, 20Hz - 20kHz)		0.3%									
Voltage Gain (at Maximum Level Setting)		34dB									
Damping Factor (20Hz to 100Hz)		>1000	>1600	>1000	>1000	>1000	>1000	>1500	>1500	>5000	>5000
Input Impedance (nominal balanced, unbalanced)		10kΩ, SLD									
Maximum Input Level before Compression (low Gain Mode)		-20dBV									
Load Impedance Stereo/Dual Mode		7Ω - 16Ω, 70Vrms and 100Vrms									
Load Impedance Bridge Mono		4Ω - 16Ω, 140Vrms and 200Vrms									
Cooling	Continuously variable speed forced air, front to back or flow										
Maximum Fan Noise (re dBs SPL @ 1m)		45	45	47	45	45	47	45	47	-	-
Required AC Mains (±10%)		120Vrms - 240Vrms, -50/60Hz									
Power Connector		15A IEC	15A IEC	15A IEC	15A IEC	15A IEC	20A IEC	15A IEC	20A IEC	20A IEC	35A IEC/30A IEC
Physical Specifications											
Width		19 in. (48.3 cm)									
Height		3.5 in. (8.9 cm)									
Depth		14.25 in. (35.63 cm) DCI 8 600N & 4 1250N, 17 in. (42.5 cm) DCI 2 2400N & 4 2400N, 19 in. (48.3 cm)									
Weight		DCI 2 300N & 2 600N: 18 lbs (8.2 kg) DCI 4 300N & 4 600N: 20 lbs (9.1 kg) DCI 8 300N & 2 1250N: 23.5 lbs (10.6 kg) DCI 8 600N & 4 1250N: 30 lbs (13.6 kg) DCI 2 2400N: 24 lbs (11.0 kg) 4 2400N: 29 lbs (13.1 kg)									



ASB6115

High Power
Single 15" Subwoofer

Professional Series

Key Features:

- ▶ 2265H-1 15" Differential Drive* dual voice coil dual gap, neodymium magnet transducer
- ▶ 800 watts continuous pink noise, 3200 watts peak power handling capacity
- ▶ Large vent area for high output with low distortion
- ▶ For ground-stacked or suspended applications in stand-alone arrays or in combination with other AE Series products

Applications:

- ▶ Performing Arts Facilities
- ▶ Theatrical Sound Design
- ▶ Auditoriums
- ▶ Worship Facilities
- ▶ Live Clubs
- ▶ Dance Clubs
- ▶ Sports Facilities
- ▶ Themed Entertainment Venues

The ASB6115 is a high power, lightweight front-loaded vented subwoofer enclosure housing JBL's 2265H-1 Differential Drive* dual voice coil dual gap 15" woofer. This woofer features neodymium magnet and ultra robust cone for extra long life.

The enclosure is constructed of multiply hardwood coated in JBL's rugged DuraFlex™ finish and is heavily braced to maximize low-frequency performance. The rectangular enclosure is fitted with sixteen M10 threaded attachment points and utilizes a 14-gauge steel grille internally lined with acoustically transparent foam to provide additional driver protection and give a very professional appearance.

The ASB6115 is part of JBL's AE Series, a versatile family of loudspeakers intended for a wide variety of applications.



Specifications:

System:

Frequency Range (-10 dB):	32 Hz - 1 kHz
Frequency Response (± 3 dB):	42 Hz - 1 kHz
Transducer Power Rating ¹ :	800 W (3200 W peak), 2 hrs.
Long-Term System Power Rating ² :	675 W (2700 W peak), 100 hrs.
Maximum SPL (1m):	35 Hz - 400 Hz: 126 dB-SPL, cont avg (132 dB peak)
System Sensitivity ³ :	35 Hz - 400 Hz: 97 dB-SPL, 1W (2.83V) @ 1m
Nominal Impedance:	8 ohms

Transducers:

Low Frequency Driver:	1 x 2265H-1, 380 mm (15 in) dia., 75 mm (3 in) Dual Coil Dual Gap neodymium Differential Drive* driver
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Physical:

Enclosure:	Rectangular cabinet, 16 mm (5/8 in) exterior grade 11-ply birch plywood
Suspension Attachment:	16 points (4 top, 4 bottom, 4 each side), M10 threaded hardware
Finish:	Black DuraFlex™ finish. White available upon request.
Grille:	Powder coated 14 gauge perforated steel, with acoustically transparent black foam backing.
Input Connector:	NL4 Neutrik Speakon® and CE-compliant covered barrier strip terminals. Barrier terminals accept up to 5.2 sq mm (10 AWG) wire or max width 9 mm (.375 in) spade lugs. Speakon in parallel with barrier strip for loop-through.
Environmental Specifications:	Mil-Std 810; IP-x3 per IEC529.
Dimensions (H x W x D in vertical cabinet orientation):	483 x 419 x 597 mm (19.0 x 16.5 x 23.5 in)
Net Weight:	20.6 kg (45.5 lb)
Optional Accessories:	M10 x 35 mm forged shoulder eyebolts with washers.

¹AES standard, one decade pink noise with 6 dB crest factor within device's operational band, free air. Standard AES 2 hr rating plus long-term 100 hr rating are specified for low-frequency transducers.

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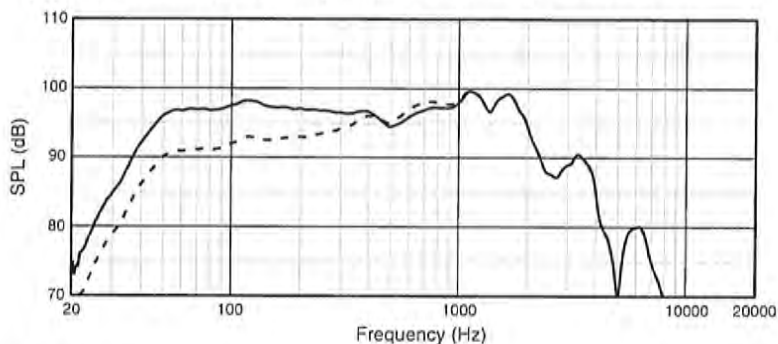
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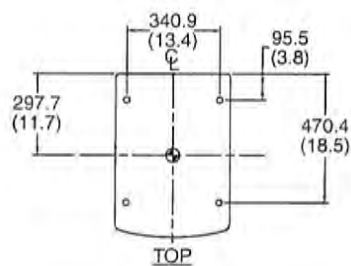
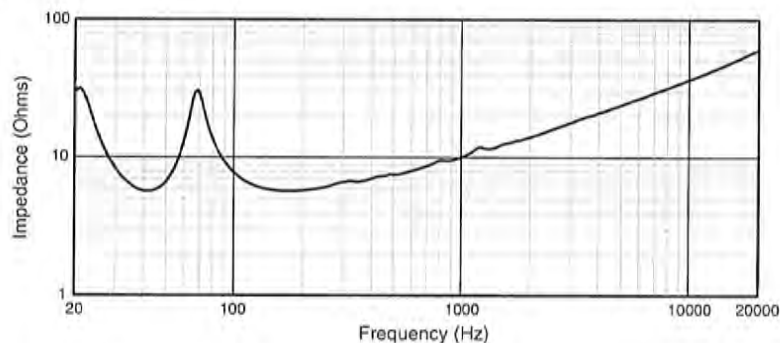
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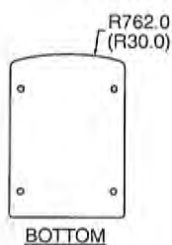
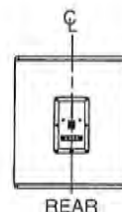
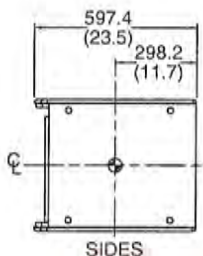
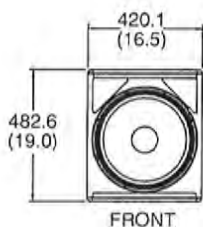
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Minutes
STATED SESSION MEETING
February 16, 2021

The Moderator, Pastor Jon Saur, called the Stated Session meeting of StoneBridge Community Church to order at 7:03pm. The meeting was held via Zoom on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

ROLL

Elders Present: Rick Cadruvi, Derek Castellano, Kevin Coe, Danielle Davis, Paul Dixon, Mark Gupton, Jeff Rohrer, Josh Romanelli, Andy Siditsky, Andy Thompson, Scott Thompson, Kim Vasquez, Tim Whitmore, and Mike Wilcox

Elders Absent or Excused: Jennifer Zaragoza

Others Present:

The Moderator declared a **quorum present** as reflected by the roll. Pastor Jon Saur **opened the meeting in prayer**.

Treasurer's Report: Kevin Coe presented the Treasurer's Report. Detailed financial statements on file in the church office. **Session approved** the report.

GENERAL FUND	Jan. – 21 Actual	Jan. – 21 Budget
GF Contributions		
General Income	\$69,341	\$75,000
Other Income	\$33	\$35
Total Income	\$69,374	\$75,035
GF Expenses		
Program Ministry	\$3,910	\$7,018
Missions/Global Ministries	\$0	\$0
Admin & Office	\$3,041	\$6,008
Insurance	\$0	\$0
Buildings & Grounds	\$4,181	\$4,020
Salaries/Benefits	\$60,964	\$52,535
Utilities	\$4,024	\$3,396
Total Expenses	\$76,121	\$72,977
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$6,747)	\$2,058

Session approved the Consent Agenda dated 2/16/21 made as an attachment of these minutes.

Ministry Team Reports:

Adult Ministries

Consent Agenda.

Buildings and Grounds

Consent Agenda. Derek Castellano- elaborated on roof damage. Wind event in January, tile damage to Sanctuary and Chapel. Jan Carr is looking into getting extra tiles.

Reopening Team – Discussions had with regards to how we can provide memorial services for people. One thought is to have an outdoor memorial that dovetails an outdoor worship service to save on set up. No action items.

Children's Ministry

Consent Agenda.

Construction Oversight Committee (COC)

Presented idea to session, (made as an attachment to these minutes) for an outdoor/open air worship facility on the pad. **Session unanimously approved** NTE \$20K to work with an architect to design an outdoor/open air worship facility.

First and Lasting Impressions

No report.

Mission Ministry

Global Missions: Consent Agenda

Local: Consent Agenda

Personnel/Administration

Josh Romanelli reported. Hired Steve Malinowski as our Church Accountant. No action items.

Worship Arts

Consent Agenda.

Youth Ministry

Andy Thompson reported. Started meeting during outdoor worship services in the beginning of February. Spaces are limited to keep everyone safe. Continuing online youth group.

Report of the Deacons

Consent Agenda.

Presbytery Report

Consent Agenda.

Pastor's Report

Jonathan – Stephanie is celebrating two years at StoneBridge, Lee is celebrating 1 year at StoneBridge. Talked about new employees and doing ministry during the pandemic. Stephanie and Olivia are doing a great job, keeping things creative.

Jon – Talked about creating every other week video updates with Jonathan as a way to communicate with the congregation. New podcast is up and running. Kudos to Lee for the sound quality.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Elder Andy Thompson and adjourned at 8:22pm.

Attested to by:

Sally Thompson
Clerk of Session

Minutes
STATED SESSION MEETING
September 21, 2021

The Moderator, Pastor Jon Saur, called the Stated Session meeting of StoneBridge Community Church to order at 7:04pm. The meeting was held at StoneBridge on Tuesday, September 21, 2021.

ROLL

Elders Present: Rick Cadruvi, Derek Castellano, Kevin Coe, Danielle Davis, Mark Gupton, Michael Purvis, Andy Thompson, Scott Thompson, Kim Vasquez, Tim Whitmore, Mike Wilcox, and Jennifer Zaragoza

Elders Absent or Excused: Shannon Rohrer, Kelly Ross, and Andy Siditsky

Others present: Jason Leedy, chair of the COC.

The Moderator declared a **quorum present** as reflected by the roll. Pastor Jon Saur **opened the meeting in prayer**.

Treasurer's Report: Kevin Coe presented the Treasurer's Report. Detailed financial statements on file in the church office. Andy Thompson moved, Kim Vasquez seconded, and **Session unanimously approved** the report.

GENERAL FUND	Aug. – 21 Actual	Aug. – 21 Budget
GF Contributions		
General Income	\$94,334	\$73,950
Other Income	\$1,029	\$35
Total Income	\$95,363	\$73,985
GF Expenses		
Program Ministry	\$5,332	\$7,717
Missions/Global Ministries	\$6,421	\$6,421
Admin & Office	\$4,420	\$6,567
Tax & Insurance	\$0	\$80
Buildings & Grounds	\$778	\$5,695
Salaries/Benefits	\$40,935	\$46,213
Utilities	\$5,709	\$5,030
Total Expenses	\$63,595	\$77,723
Surplus (Deficit)	\$31,768	(\$3,738)

Andy Thompson moved, Mark Gupton seconded, and **Session unanimously approved** the Consent Agenda dated 9/21/21 made as an attachment of these minutes.

Ministry Team Reports:

Adult Ministries

Consent Agenda.

Buildings and Grounds

Consent Agenda.

Children's Ministry

Pastor Jonathan reported that Ms. Stephanie is taking lead on the Halloween Party scheduled for Saturday, October 30th. No action items.

Construction Oversight Committee (COC)

Session invited Jason Leedy to the meeting to make a presentation on behalf of the COC. Jason presented conceptual drawings for an outdoor worship space to be located on the north side of the pad (made a part of these minutes). Once formal application is made with the city, recommends communication with congregation and neighbors. Andy Thompson moved, Derek Castellano seconded, and **session unanimously approved** a request for NTE \$75,000 of Reach funds to be used for city application and design process.

First and Lasting Impressions

Tim Whitmore will be the elder representative. No action items.

Media, Marketing, & Messaging

Consent Agenda.

Mission Ministry

Global Missions: Consent Agenda.

Local: No report.

Personnel/Administration

No report.

Reopening Team

Derek Castellano reported. The team continues to meet regularly and monitor covid numbers in Ventura County. Discussing change in worship service times as time change draws near. No action items.

Worship Arts

Consent Agenda.

Youth Ministry

No report.

Youth Search Team

Danielle Davis reported. The team is making an offer to a candidate this week. No action items.

Report of the Deacons

Consent Agenda.

Presbytery Report

Pastor Jon reported. The Presbytery is moving forward with hiring an Executive Presbyter.

Senior Pastor's Report

Pastor Jon reported and is excited about the Finance Team starting. Recording StoneBridge Extras for 6 weeks, starts this weekend.

Mark moved, Danielle seconded, and **session unanimously approved** an administrative commission for the upcoming Membership Discernment class. The AC will consist of Pastor Jon, Rick Cadruvi, Mike Wilcox, and Derek Castellano as an alternate. Responsible for approving new members.

Associate Pastor's Report

Pastor Jonathan reported on things to celebrate in the life of the church:

- o Outdoor Worship Facility – God's timing on moving forward.
- o Final candidate for Youth Director
- o Growth Groups, specifically Kelly Ross leading a young adults group with 9 people attending
- o Possible Golf Tournament for StoneBridge

The meeting was closed in prayer by Pastor Jonathan and adjourned at 8:24pm.

Attested to by:
Sally Thompson
Clerk of Session



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May 4, 2023

Rev. Mark E. Hong
Executive/Stated Clerk
The Synod of Southern California & Hawaii
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Westchester, CA 90045

Dear Mark,

The Riverside Presbytery presents the attached grants for funding from then Synod's Partnering Grant funds for the Riverside Presbytery. As you will see from the attached documents, the Presbytery has developed a formal process for reviewing member church grant applications and following up on awarded grants.

The documents attached:

Attachment 1: an explanation of Riverside's process for soliciting and vetting the grants

Attachment 2: Riverside's evaluation criteria for each grant

The individual grant applications will follow.

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for these Synod funds. We look forward to hearing the results of the review process at Synod.

Sincerely,

The Rev. Paul Knopf, Temporary Stated Clerk

Attachment 1: Riverside Presbytery's Support of Churches Receiving

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii Presbyterian Church Congregational Partnering Grants

Background/Timeline/Continuing Support:

- In late 2022 Riverside Presbytery worked to make all churches aware of the Congregational Partnering Grants Program through announcements and emails.
- On January 17, 2023, a workshop was offered to answer questions about the Congregational Partnering Grant Protocols and to explain the process approved by the Presbytery Commission for receiving and approving the grants in Riverside Presbytery.
- The churches were notified that applications needed to be received by Riverside Presbytery's Office Manager by February 7th to be voted on at the March 11 Presbytery Assembly Meeting. This date was given in order for all churches to have the opportunity to apply and be given equal consideration in case the funds were all used up after this meeting.
- A Synod Partnering Grants Task Force was created to review the applications. They worked diligently and provided the Presbytery Commission with a cover letter and a chart with recommendations.
- The Task Force recommendations were received and endorsed by the Presbytery Commission on February 16th.
- The Task Force recommendations, endorsed by the Presbytery Commission, were approved by the Presbytery Assembly on March 11th.
- We anticipate these grants (endorsed by the Riverside Presbytery Assembly) will go to the Synod Partnering Grant Task Force on May 10th and the Committee of Assembly on June 3rd.
- The Presbytery Commission met April 20th and decided that follow up and evaluation will fall under the Riverside Partner's in Ministry Committee.

Draft Minutes of the March 11, 2023 Presbytery Meeting: Synod Grants

Item 26 from the Consent Agenda was removed in order to correct the amounts awarded because the total was \$1,133.67 more than was available to the Presbytery in the Synod Partnering Grants. Magnolia Presbyterian Church volunteered to reduce their grant request by the amount needed to bring the total in line with available funds. It was moved to amend the proposal as follows:

1. **Approve** Synod Partnering Grant requests as recommended by the SPG Task Force and PC (recommendation attached).
Beaumont - \$12,000; El Buen Pastor \$20,000; Hemet \$10,000; Lake Arrowhead \$7,400; Riverside Magnolia \$87,446.33; Northkirk \$1,269; Ridgecrest \$20,226; San Bernardino \$20,525

These amounts equal the remainder of the Synod Partnering Grant funds and with this approval (and subsequent Synod approval), would exhaust those funds.

The amendment was approved.

MSP

The approval of the grant recommendations was approved.

MSP

Attachment 2: Presbytery Synod Partnering Grants Evaluation

Beaumont

Evaluation: the church will report to PIM when work is completed and provide digital pictures to share with Presbytery. The church will be asked to report in writing the increased use by the community.

Specific assistance: The PIM Committee will ask the Presbytery PFIFD Commission (finance) to be available to consult with the church as they bid or hire contractors.

El Buen Pastor

Evaluation: the AC reports regularly to the Presbytery Assembly the progress and events of the ministry. Appoint two people to monitor the church's timetable and spending.

Financial: The Presbytery Assembly voted at its March 11, 2023 meeting to provide \$22,000 to support this ministry.

Specific Assistance: The AC works closely with Lazaro supervising and encouraging the various ministry projects. The Presbytery Leader meets one to two times per month with Lazaro for check-in and conversation and is in regular communication with the head of the AC.

Hemet

Evaluation: the church will report to PIM when work is completed and provide digital pictures to share with Presbytery.

Specific assistance: PIM will appoint a two-member team that will keep in contact with the Session/church to follow the steps in the process of installing the solar system. Presently, the church has an HPCC-appointed moderator who provides monthly updates at the HPCC meeting.

Lake Arrowhead

Evaluation: Is the equipment installed and working? The church will report to PIM when work is completed and provide digital pictures to share with Presbytery.

Specific assistance: Lake Arrowhead was an enabling church in the Presbytery during the Covid lockdowns. They provided a Presbytery-wide workshop via Zoom to explain how churches could use Zoom to broadcast worship services. They have consulted with other churches in the Presbytery in the purchase and setup of broadcast equipment. There are other people in the Presbytery that could provide technical assistance if the church needs it.

Magnolia

Evaluation and specific assistance: The church has been very transparent about its fundraising and rebuilding. PIM will appoint two people from PFIFD from the Presbytery responsible to monitor the fundraising and report to PIM as appropriate.

Northkirk

Evaluation: Is the system installed and working. Schedule and complete the workshop.

Specific assistance: Act as a resource to announce the workshop and provide assistance as needed.

Ridgecrest

Evaluation: Appoint two people to monitor the church's timetable.

Specific assistance: The Presbytery has volunteers with technical expertise that will consult with the church.

San Bernardino

Evaluation: Appoint two people to monitor the church's timetable.

Grant Application
Presbyterian Church Congregational Partnering Grant Program
Beaumont Presbyterian Church
February 3, 2023

“And the Wall Came Tumbling Down!”

Beaumont Presbyterian Church (BPC) is the oldest church in our community having started as an adult Sunday school class meeting weekly under the shade of a fig tree back in 1884. We serve within the bounds of the Presbytery of Riverside. We are seeking a partnering grant to help us with a project that will enable us to further engage and serve and be a blessing for our local community and community partners.

We would like to remove a wall between two classrooms to create a multipurpose space in order to lovingly serve groups of 60 people or less.

Requested Grant Amount: \$12,500

Why Do We Want to Do This?

Our sanctuary is almost always used for approximately **1 hour** no matter what the event. We have 2 Sunday morning services in English and a 3rd Sunday morning service by a nesting congregation in Korean each for 1 hour. Weddings and memorial services in the sanctuary are also approximately 1 hour.

The social hall, on the other hand is typically used for each event from **2 to 8 hours**. We frequently need to decline opportunities to host groups or need to postpone memorial services as the social hall is already booked. **Almost all of these missed opportunities for service and engagement could have been accommodated on the requested date if the proposed multipurpose space had been available.**

In the last 3 years, we have had over 50 memorial services for church related families, with Saturday the most requested day for a service. Some Saturdays are not available as the social hall is already engaged. It is not uncommon for the Social Hall to be engaged every Saturday of the month with 1 activity or another. Using the sanctuary 2 or 3 times on the same day is not a problem. It is the lack of a secondary multipurpose space which limits the additional service we could be providing our community.

When we make our social hall available, one of the great benefits is the relationships we build. In some cases, those relationships have been the beginning of a journey leading eventually to church membership. A great number of people found themselves at an event in our social hall long before they ever had any intentions of entering our sanctuary and worshipping with us.

Our Current Social Hall Use:

We already have an impressive track record of sharing our space with community partners and regional partners and families in need. The proposed grant will multiply the faithful sharing we are already doing. We were thanked by our local city manager only last month for sharing our space with the community in countless ways.

Our church is centrally located for many people in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties and lies only a minute away from both the 10 and 60 freeways. We have been frequently used by groups for regional meetings. Our social hall is also a valued resource for our local community and local community groups. We have generously shared our social hall with others in the community as much as we possibly can.

Here are some of the ways we make use of our current social hall space:

Community Groups that Have Used the Social Hall:

Table of Plenty:

During the last 23 years we have served well over 250,000 free meals in the social hall on Wednesday afternoons in partnership with Table of Plenty. (The leadership and volunteers of Table of Plenty are primarily members of our church family.) The hall is also regularly a source of local and County Services for the homeless and low income individuals with agency representatives present when our free meals are served. (It would be really great to be able to have other activities going on at the same time in the future multipurpose room.) Our primary Sunday school room is now located in the adjoining nursery. We now have “Wednesday Sunday School” during the time we serve our free meal. The number of children increases when school is not in session. The student with the best attendance is from El Salvador. His older sisters join him when they are on vacation. Much of the food is donated to us by local businesses and community groups. This last year, we started receiving food donations weekly from our local Boys and Girls Clubs.

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Rotary Club:

Our local Rotary club met in our hall for their weekly meetings for 2 years and continues to meet in our hall once a month for their board meetings and occasionally for evening social events. Rotary promotes “service above self” and they support helpful projects in the community and around the world.

Rotary Youth Leadership high school seniors meet in our hall each year several times to prepare to lead a camp for high school juniors from San Bernardino and Riverside counties. Once a month, a group of about 30 high school seniors descend on our hall from all directions for these meetings.

A Rotary **high school regional spelling bee** is scheduled to return again to our social hall next month. This is a large regional gathering.

A Rotary district wide **Leadership Training for Adults** is scheduled in our social hall again in two months. This will be their 4th time using our hall in the last few years.

Rotary held a **Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser** cooking in our hall with parking lot pickup for youth scholarships.

Rotary cooked a **Senior Thanksgiving Dinner** in our hall kitchen for pickup or delivery last year.

Beaumont Unified School District:

Our local school district administrators met in our hall and classrooms several times to promote a community school bond. The school board presented the church with a certificate in appreciation for our partnership at a school board meeting. The current and last two school superintendents have all thanked me personally and given recognition to the church in public forums for our support.

Catch a Star Theater Group:

Our local community theater group is now partnering with us and held 12 performances in our social hall last year. In their last performance, they brought Patsy Cline to our hall with a full band and a social hall packed with local community members for every performance. Next month, they will have 8 performances with full band featuring Judy Garland, Liza Minnelli, Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin.

The American Bavarian Brass Band:

We have an 18 piece Bavarian brass band that practices in our hall and plays for our October church fellowship dinner each year and whenever else we want.

St. Stephens Episcopal Church and First Christian Church:

We have let our local Episcopal Church use our kitchen to prepare food for their events numerous times. We have let our local Disciples of Christ Church use our hall for fellowship dinners on several occasions.

Kings Table Ministries:

We have let this organization hold fundraisers in our hall. (KTM provides assistance with utilities and rent and also helps some immigrant families.)

Formerly Incarcerated Women and their Children Shelter:

In the past before their relocation we had let them use the hall for dinners, fundraisers, meeting space and other functions.

Young Champions Cheer Group and Young Champions Karate Group:

Cheer practice for girls. (Several have come to our Vacation Bible School.)
Karate practice for children. (Several have come to our Vacation Bible School.)

The Girl Scouts of America:

They have sold cookies in the social hall on Sunday mornings in the past.

Lifestream Blood Bank:

They held a community blood drive in our hall.

Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon:

In the past, both groups held separate meetings in our hall.

Hard of Hearing Support Group:

They met in our hall for years before disbanding.

Quilting Group:

Met in our hall for years before disbanding.

Community Art Group:

Held their annual art show in our hall before the pandemic three years in a row.

Habitat for Humanity:

Their offices are on church property. They hold community meetings in our hall.

Sun Lakes Country Club Chorale:

Sun Lakes is a large, gated community. Their chorale practiced in our hall during renovations at SLCC. They later sang for us in worship and several members joined our choir for Christmas Eve service before the pandemic. Two other retirement communities have also used our hall on occasion.

We recently held a community and school safety meeting in the social hall led by the local police department and fire department for the local community.

How The Church Uses the Social Hall:

Over the last 89 years, literally thousands of memorial receptions, wedding receptions, Quinceaneras, birthday parties, family reunions, graduation parties, anniversary parties and baby showers have taken place in our hall.

A pre-covid annual Vacation Bible School for nearly 100 young people (counting baby's to teenage helpers) would enjoy games, snacks and movies in our hall. Countless Bible studies, Presbyterian Women's gatherings and youth activities.

Thousands of social hours at 2 per Sunday.

A meal every Sunday for our nesting Korean congregation.

We had Christmas Pageants in 2021 and 2022. We had an amazing "Last Supper" play for Maundy Thursday last year and plan to do it again this year.

Rummage sales.

Annual Church Art Show. (Paintings, carvings, and other types of art from members of the church family.)

Many friends who won't come to worship have found their way to one of our social hall dinners. We have had countless dinners with unique entertainment through the years. Some of our dinner menus and entertainment have included the following:

Spaghetti dinners with Italian music.
Native American Bird Dancers with Barbeque.
Ballet Folklorico Youth Dancers.
Peruvian Seminary Pan Pipe Players.
Annual Luau with Hula Dancers.
Talent Shows. Karaoke Contest. Bagpipes.
Mexican food. Chinese, Korean and Indian food.
Bollywood Dances of India. Square Dancing.
Chinese Chopstick Dance.
Korean Singing.
Maundy Thursday Soup Suppers.
Annual brats and 18 piece Bavarian Brass Band and The Chicken Dance.
St. Patrick's Day corned beef and cabbage and Irish singing and Irish Dancers.
Christmas season dinner with Christmas carols.
Pancake breakfasts.
Potlucks too many to recount.
"Scottie" Award ceremonies for service to the congregation (Scottie dog plaque.)
Our famous, pre-Covid annual casserole cook-off competition.

The Proposed Space:

The south classroom has been used recently for Bible studies and new member's classes. The adjoining north classroom has become a storage room since the pandemic. We have been giving away the furniture and other items that have collected in there. **A very desirable meeting space could be created by removing the wall between the 2 rooms.** Currently, the congregation uses restrooms inside the social hall and beside the offices. The social hall restrooms are up 3 steps and thus not

handicap accessible. **The south classroom and north classroom each have a handicap accessible bathroom built in which greatly enhances the usability of the rooms as a future multipurpose space.** The south classroom restroom is currently underutilized. The north classroom restroom is not being used at all which is poor stewardship.

Project:

Remove non-load bearing wall between the two classrooms.	\$ 8,000
Replace carpet with linoleum flooring material.	\$ 7,000
Replace tube lights and bathroom fixtures with dimmable lighting.	\$ 3,000
Paint multipurpose room and 2 restrooms.	\$ 3,500
Add a dedicated projector and portable sound system.	\$ 3,500
Total Estimated Cost:	<u>\$25,000</u>

Other sources for funding the remainder of the project?

Gifts from members of our church family. Our buildings and grounds budget.

How does this project benefit the Presbytery of Riverside?

The presbytery has met for their stated meetings on our church campus on occasion throughout the years. Regional meetings of Presbyterian Women have also taken place on our campus. Both the Presbytery and Presbyterian Women would be welcome to use the new space as needed.

The health and vitality of each congregation is of great importance to the presbytery. The additional opportunities for serving our community will only help to strengthen BPC as we serve and engage our local community even more than we are doing now as we utilize a second multipurpose space.

How does this project align with the priorities of the Presbytery?

The Presbytery of Riverside mission statement says "We Are Connected Congregations in Deep Discipleship With Jesus Christ Who Are Faithful And Active Witnesses to God's Love, Justice And Peace.

We can have larger Bible studies in the multipurpose space to grow in our discipleship with Jesus Christ. As a congregation, we have served dozens and dozens of homeless people over prolonged periods of time, knowing them and being known by them by name. Our multipurpose room will certainly be available when needed to share resources with the homeless and others in need. Helping the homeless and others in need is a great witness to God's love. It is also a great witness to God's love to provide memorial receptions that are a great comfort to families. In the pursuit of peace in relationships, our memorial receptions have many times been the occasion for families to reconnect after drifting apart or being out of contact due to past disagreements.

Our presbytery is a “Matthew 25” presbytery. Through the multipurpose room, we can increase our engagement with our local community and provide additional opportunities to welcome all in need in our local community and especially “the least of these” who are most precious to our loving Savior.

A large segment of the community that would benefit from our endeavors in our multipurpose room includes low income families from a variety of cultural backgrounds.

How does this project align with the priorities of BPC?

Beaumont Presbyterian Church’s Mission Statement says
“We are a Christ-centered family of God’s people,
growing in faith,
caring for each other,
bringing others to Christ,
and ministering to the needs of our changing community and world.”

We will have many Bible studies to help grow in our faith in the new multipurpose space. We will care for others by making the space available for memorial services and for groups that serve the needs of the community. What we call “social hall evangelism” through the building of relationships with those using our social hall will also take place through “multipurpose room evangelism.” This will be an entry point into our church family and faith in Christ. We are flexible as a congregation. When new needs arise in our changing community and world, we will be ready to share our multipurpose room as a place of fellowship, study, providing resources and caring for others.

How is this project sustainable?

The project is very sustainable. Once the wall is taken down and the space refreshed, there would be no additional costs outside the currently established church budget for building maintenance and monthly utility bills. Increasing our reach in the community, and the number of people who engage our congregation, in time, can only enhance our church budget as more people discover “a spiritual home” with us.

What is the timeline for funding?

The sooner the better! The church could start scheduling additional functions for community groups and church groups immediately. Last year alone we held 18 memorial receptions. It would be greatly appreciated by grieving families not to have to wait to schedule their loved one’s service because the social hall is not available on many Saturdays. We have had to turn down 3 opportunities for partnering with the local community in the last 2 months alone due to space and calendar constraints. The only problem will be prayerfully discerning which groups God is calling us to partner with among those who desire to use our campus.

Thank you for your consideration of our grant proposal. We are known as “The Stone Church with a Loving Heart.” We already partner with our community, share love and assistance with “the least of these” and are there for those who mourn. If we are blessed with a grant, we will multiply these services!

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii

Grant Request

El Buen Pastor Missional Work
Presbytery of Riverside Mission

February 6, 2023

Submitted by El Buen Pastor Administrative Commission
on behalf of the Presbytery of Riverside

- 1 Grave Need for Missional Care in the Mt. Vernon area of San Bernardino
- 2 Past Missional Work
- 3 Post COVID Presence and Understanding
- 4 A Vision for Presbytery-wide Missional Care
- 5 Value of Shared Ministry
- 6 Grant Request and Summary

1 Grave Need for Missional Care in the Mt. Vernon area of San Bernardino

San Bernardino ranks among the highest cities in poverty and violence in California (cf. <https://www.statista.com/statistics/217685/most-dangerous-cities-in-north-america-by-crime-rate>) . The repercussions have caused suffering and need on a different scale than other cities. In 2020 the city of San Bernardino recorded the highest per-capita murder rate among California's larger cities in 2020 — 30.6 murders for every 100,000 residents, according to federal data collated by Everytown for Gun Safety. Additionally, in the 2022 San Bernardino County Continuum of Care Homeless Count and Survey Final Report the city of San Bernardino was reported to have 40.5% of the county's homeless persons. The city condition is not new and our presbytery has been aware for years of the challenging context for ministry. Our presbytery's congregation, El Buen Pastor, is located in one of San Bernardino's neighborhood of greatest need, the west side of the city along Mt. Vernon Avenue. COVID caused the small congregation to cease gathering in 2020.

Our presbytery funded an investigative ministry this past year contracting Lazaro Silva a seasoned missionary experienced with inner city evangelism and fluent in Spanish. Guided by our presbytery's Administrative Commission, Lazaro has regularly reported back the detailed needs of neighbors and their welcome receptivity to Christ's care through his efforts as well as those of the Home of Neighborly Service.

2 Past Missional Work

The Good Shepherd church (El Buen Pastor) was begun in 1922 as was, alongside it, the Home of Neighborly Service. In recent decades, despite the decline of the city and the economic security of residents, our presbytery and First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino vigorously supported El Buen Pastor to help it gain its self-sustaining condition. While in the early decades of the congregational plant there was a healthy worship and ministry for El Buen Pastor, this has declined. What is most visible in the community is the need for food, shelter, and safety for homeless neighbors as well as hope for families struggling financially and wary of common violence and nearby crime. Lazaro Silva has encountered a community that looks for God's daily protection and provision as they face uncertainty.

3 Post COVID Presence and Understanding

As elsewhere, COVID has changed many things. For the Mt. Vernon neighborhood, this past year brought Lazaro Silva to meet and talk with persons in the community and to assist with the food distribution of the Home of Neighborly Service. Many important facts have been understood.

First, there are other pastors and congregations in the area willing to work together to address community problems. Lazaro Silva has met with other pastors weekly to pray and share concerns, needs, and opportunities. With a cooperative spirit Lazaro Silva has also been led into a network of additional support for Christ's work in the area. This has included larger churches with resources such as mobile shower trailers willing to share with the needs of the Mt. Vernon community.

Second, there are needs of youth and elderly in addition to the middle adulthood. Limited city and county budgets have caused facilities such as pools and parks to close that are helpful to promote health and community. Though El Buen Pastor has limited classrooms, the Home of Neighborly Service has greater resources and renewed partnership could bring helpful, focused events.

Third, collective worship is a response to God's care through individual relationships. Through this past year those aided by the care of Lazaro Silva and the Home of Neighborly Service have asked when El Buen Pastor will resume worship. Many look forward to collectively praising and thanking God. Our Administrative Commission has cooperatively encouraged Lazaro Silva to simultaneously complete a focused seminary program to support his ordination as a Commissioned Local Pastor for El Buen Pastor. In the meantime, an initial holiday worship service was well attended and a generous post-service dinner was donated by other supporting members of the body of Christ.

It has also become apparent that the social needs of the Mt. Vernon neighborhood cannot be met and transformed in short order. The challenges are not simple to overcome but will require dedicated care over longer time. Given the experience of Lazaro Silva in this past year, Christ's work through El Buen Pastor is critical but as a flock of Christ it will not initially be structured like other presbytery

congregations. It certainly can become a congregation sustained by the Lord for continuing work. But the first work necessary is to bind up the suffering at her doorstep. This will require the network support of sister congregations and community agencies. El Buen Pastor becomes an opportunity for shared missional work of restoration in the midst of our very own presbytery.

4 A Vision for Presbytery-wide Missional Care

Our presbytery's Administrative Commission has witnessed the Lord's guidance of Lazaro Silva to successfully bring valuable, practical care to the community by networking. In this first year more work has been done than one person could possibly do. But through the offer of others willing to assist in the needs of the Mt. Vernon neighborhood, God's care comes. This neighborhood cannot presently financially sustain the living wage requirements for the ministry work of Lazaro Silva. But through participation of other presbytery and non-presbytery congregations Lazaro Silva's work can be sustained for the continued restoration of the community. This is a different model of missional work than was held in prior decades for El Buen Pastor when the goal of external support was to expedite a commonly functioning presbyterian congregation. Presently the goal is to restore the Mt. Vernon community through the network coordination of El Buen Pastor by external support. The congregation of El Buen Pastor is expected to grow as an expression of praise and thanksgiving but its members will be both those in the Mt. Vernon community as well as the external supporting body of Christ.

The urgent needs of this community are unlike those in a suburban context and the models of congregational support and formation that occur there. Here the local and presbytery ministry model necessary is akin to the law of generosity in Kenya expressed through the Kiswahili word *harambee*, which means 'all pull together' in order to perform a heavy lift. And so a Synod grant fund of \$40,0000 is requested to enable the congregations of our presbytery to collectively support the restoration of the Mt. Vernon community as a work of Christ. This grant fund would be matched by the Presbytery of Riverside support of \$2,000 by each congregation to support the collective missional focus.

5 Value of Shared Ministry

The value of shared ministry is shared growth in Christ and greater kingdom growth. With external target of care, presbytery congregations have opportunity to move out from their campus in order to bring Christ's love to others. By nature this is also an opportunity to invite others to participate in the good work of meeting needs and bringing joy where worry and fear reside. Our presbytery will have more visibility as people of care, indeed God's care, to our individual congregational neighborhoods, this also becoming an attractive reason to join in impactful work.

The experience of external missional projects also often inspires additional collective work in the future.

6 Grant Request and Summary

The El Buen Pastor Administrative Commission respectfully requests the Presbytery of Riverside to forward a grant request to the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii of \$40,000 to fund half of the annual cost for the El Buen Pastor Missional Work. Such a grant will be matched by invitations to our presbytery congregations to share in the collective missional project by support of \$2,000 each in order to match the Synod grant.

This grant request is made in the spirit of our Lord's calling made evident through the initial work conducted at El Buen Pastor in this past year. May the Lord continue to lead us for the care of the downtrodden and the growth of his eternal kingdom.

Grant Request

First Presbyterian Church Hemet at a Glance

The church was founded December 27, 1908 when 27 people met in the Assembly Hall of the old Hemet High School. Within a year, the property where the church now stands was secured. The following March a Ground Breaking for the new church began a process of building which was completed in January 1911. It was originally painted Brown but was redone and became known as the White Church.

Over the years, various buildings were used on the site culminating in the buildings we use today. Fellowship Hall, the Fireside Room and the Education Building were completed in 1962 and the incurred debt was paid off in 8 years. The White Church was demolished and a new sanctuary was dedicated in November 1974. All of our buildings are now debt free.

Our Congregation has seen steady growth through the years with a membership of 1400 people in the mid 60's. Our present membership is 111 members and 15 adjunct attendees who attend regularly. We also have a fair number of snowbirds who visit us every winter. The congregation breaks down into three main groups, approximately 1/3rd are over 90 years old, approximately 1/3rd are in their 80's the remaining youngsters are in their 60's and 70'. Many of our members have attended this church for the majority of their adult lives, some from grade school. As a group, our membership is dedicated to the church community, and are most welcoming and active participants. We are the only church in the valley that has a choir of dedicated members.

Financially Speaking we are blessed with reserves from the sale of the Family Center across the street. These reserves are slowly dwindling due to high and higher costs and a slowly diminishing income stream. Last year's budget vs actual costs left us with a deficit of \$82,000 which was overcome by reserve funds. This year's budget is similar in that costs are rising and the income stream is projected to be close to the same amount as last year.

We have reduced our budget where we can. There are two areas where we can save money, Electric cost is one of them. Last year we paid over \$14,000 for power. By going Solar we can save a projected \$8400. per year in “generation” charges. The effect on “demand” charges is unclear but there is some potential savings there as well. The savings are immediate (my first month on my solar system, cost went from an average of \$80 per month to minus \$10. and has continued downward ever since).

The second area we can save money is to be more effective in turning off the lights, the air conditioner and other appliances when we are done. We are not very good about that, it's a short term memory thing. To that end we are considering e-Thermostats which allow us remote control for the high traffic areas as well as scheduling capabilities.

Why Solar Why Now

The presumption to this point has been that our current facility should continue as the home of First Presbyterian Church. It is our home, one in which many members have an emotional attachment from long standing membership.

"I walked by this Church on the way to Elementary school." "My children were baptized in this church."

The church facility is itself far more than what we need. Back in the day, this church was built for a much larger congregation. Sustaining this facility is a financial burden for the less than 100 people who regularly attend service. To ease the burden and bring in some rent money we rent space to an Ombudsman group and a small church community uses our chapel on Sundays.

The question then becomes do we continue in this church facility, our home? If we affirm the original presumption and continue in this facility then we must take steps to mitigate the cost of operations in this building. Session acted in concert with its commission and within the rules to affirm this assumption and move forward to mitigate our operating cost.

The 2023 budget which the membership have approved leaves us with a deficit of nearly \$60,000. The solar system will help eliminate some of that deficit. Power is expected to increase 10% to 15%. Chart #1 shows the cost of power increases over ten years. Please note that the increased cost over the ten years will be \$168,000 to \$180,000, which is the amount we are currently collecting in our income stream.

However, with a Solar System at least \$100,000 in savings are available, reducing our expenditures to \$5600 to \$6600 per year. Additional savings are likely with the sale of unused power under NEM 2.0.

NEM 2.0 (Net Energy Metering) is the current metering agreement which ensures the unused power is purchased by the electric company. This agreement ends as of April 13, 2023 and will be replaced with NEM 3.0. Those with NEM 2.0 will be grandfathered in for 20 years. The principle difference is that unused power is not reimbursed under the new NEM 3.0. It is critically important that we have a signed agreement before the cut off date, to retain additional savings.

The solar system is designed to cut our cost for power by an estimated \$8400 per year. That savings begins immediately when the solar system is turned on. Currently we spend approximately \$14,000 per year and that cost is expected to go up by 10% to 15% per year over the next 10 years. If we continue with the present power arrangement, power cost will exceed \$168,000 over 10 years. That is more than double the initial cost of the solar system of \$80,000.

There is sufficient justification to proceed with the project with what we have discussed so far. However, there is more. The Inflation Reduction Act allows non profit organizations to claim a 30% reduction of solar expenditures in 2023 on our Income Tax. That is a projected \$21,000. This alone reduces our investment to \$49,000 and shortens the recoupment period to approximately 6 years.

A capital improvement fund was begun in January and is receiving donations from our very giving congregation. One of the many blessings of First Presbyterian Church.

Will we all be here 10 years from now? Probably not, I think we all know that. If we continue with our presumed path making this facility our home, in 10 years there will be people here enjoying our legacy. I have faith in that.

I am paraphrasing Patrick Shetler here "although we don't see youth visiting , we see seniors and that is ok, visitors at a rate 16 times greater than other churches. Many of our best members have come from other denominations. We see reason to believe in the future of our church".

Over 100 years ago, men and women in this community came together to build a church home. Each generation passed along a church home to a new generation. It is our turn to build a future for this church home and pass it to the next generation whomever they might be.

The Equipment

The equipment consists of 40 plus panels installed on the roof and inverters directly connected to the existing electric panel. It will deliver an estimated 115% of our power footprint in 2021 - 2022.

Maintenance and Guarantees

SunLux , our contractor, has guaranteed the system for twenty five years. They monitor the system and will replace any defective equipment when necessary. We have that in the contract and in writing.

Capital Improvements funds.

A capital improvement fund has been set up and is being supported by congregation members. At the present time we have \$42, 500 in the fund.

Dates and Deadlines

Presbytery

Support Needed

We are requesting a grant of \$10,000 to complete the project.

First Presbyterian Church is requesting \$10,000. to defray the cost of our solar system.

Presbytery Priority Now and in the Future

Presbyterian Church

Congregational Partnering Grants Program

Lake Arrowhead Community Presbyterian Church

Application

Purpose

We have two projects that need attention. One is to move our tech table out of the sanctuary and add two PTZ cameras (a remotely controlled Pan-Tilt-Zoom camera) to reestablish the original ambiance and reverence of our worship service. This will enable us to securely lock our equipment when not used. This should make it last longer by being able to keep it set up vs. unplugging everything and locking it up in a closet after each use.

Our second project is to replace our thirty-five plus year old carillon that has stopped working.

Utilization

Our live broadcasts reach 20 or more families, depending on the weather, every Sunday. Due to our location in the San Bernardino Mountains when there is snow, the roads become dangerous and often impassable. Our current equipment has been useful for live Zoom video of scholarship recipients that are away at school. Zoom is especially useful for memorial services where relatives live too far away, are infirm, or cannot afford to attend. We also envision using this technology to visit missionaries at distant locations. This project will also enable our congregation to host presbytery meetings and other events, connecting online with those who would not be able to participate otherwise.

Our plan for using the carillon includes playing at each hour during the day. With the newer technology we will be able to play appropriate Christmas music during the holidays which will establish a pleasant background for the visitors to Lake Arrowhead. We are also planning to connect it to our reconstructed organ console so that it can be played for weddings.

Projected Costs

Two PTZ Cameras: PTZ Optics30X SDI Gen 2 with HuddleCamHD HC-Joy	3,697 + tax
Custom Roll-Top Desk with Lock	2,500 + tax
Carillon	7,000 + tax
Construct a Window to the Sanctuary	2,000
Add Electrical Outlets	1,500
Installation of the cameras	<u>500</u>
Total	15,697
Tax	<u>1,155</u>
Grand Total	16,852

Grant Application – Presbyterian Church Congregational Partnering Grant Program
Magnolia Presbyterian Church (MagPres)
June 2nd, 2022

Magnolia Presbyterian Church (MagPres), is located in the Presbytery of Riverside and was founded in 1879 by church visionaries from Hollywood Presbyterian Church. Our tag line “... a rich tradition, a bright future” was born out of our beginnings. We are applying for a Congregational Partnering Grant to assist with the rebuilding of our Sanctuary which was destroyed in a fire on December 23rd, 2018. While devastating to our congregation, we also spent time reflecting on how God might use this tough setback to “work all things together for good” into a bright future.

About the project

After the fire, many discussions with our Session ensued, and a decision was made to rebuild the Sanctuary as a multi-purpose building so that the space could be utilized more than just on Sunday mornings. We began to see an opportunity to reimagine a way of doing ministry not only as a worship space, but also as a place that is available for use by our surrounding neighborhood. Through this new space, we envision new opportunities, fulfilling our mission of “making fully formed followers of Jesus Christ”. To that end, the new building has been designed with movable chairs rather than fixed pews, a kitchenette off the main Sanctuary with a pass-through to an outside patio area, two multipurpose vestibules that can be used for additional meeting spaces, an ADA restroom, and other design choices, enabling MagPres to host community events, dinners, and concerts. We have a unique opportunity in that within a 5-mile radius there is no other venue that offers this much versatility to our neighbors. We believe God is calling us to become an intentional presence in our local neighborhood and a welcoming place for all.

What Have We Already Done?

In August of 2019, MagPres spearheaded a new initiative in Riverside called Family Promise of Riverside. Family Promise is a national organization dedicated to providing temporary housing and resources for families who are housing insecure and helping them find employment, education, and permanent housing. When Family Promise began the development phase, four of the organizing Board members were members of MagPres. We were the first church in Riverside to commit to hosting families overnight in our facility 4 times a year. We are currently providing office space for FP’s Executive Director and have committed to providing a temporary Day Center which assists families looking for housing, schooling, and employment opportunities when Family Promise opens in August 2022. Potentially we may provide a permanent Day Center in the future. We believe our new multipurpose building will enable us to more effectively provide temporary housing for families experiencing homelessness as well as providing worship space for other congregations nesting within our church.

We have committed ourselves to being a Mathew 25 congregation and we see our work with Family Promise as demonstrating and speaking into the Matthew 25 vision of the Presbyterian

Church (U.S.A.) focusing on “building congregational vitality, dismantling structural racism and eradicating systemic poverty.”

MagPres has a heritage of being Mission oriented, not only participating in mission in Zimbabwe to build a well but also in Peru to building churches and other projects as needed. MagPres continues to participate in initiatives around the City of Riverside, providing meals at the local shelter, raising funds for the CROP Walk, providing office space for Young Life of Riverside, supporting Habitat for Humanity, Teen Challenge, and a local non-denominational mission organization to Mexico, called Power Ministry. We have and are currently supporting Mission Co-workers in the PC(USA). MagPres has always paid their Per Capita in full and has and is and contributing to the General Mission of the PC(USA) at the Presbytery and national level.

MagPres’ Presbytery Commissioners and other members are active on Presbytery committees, and MagPres’ pastors have and are serving in leadership within the Presbytery and Synod.

The Next Step

The rebuilding of our Sanctuary has gone slowly mostly due to delays at the city level because of the pandemic. Costs have risen as a result, but through everything we have remained resolute that God is calling us to this “new thing”. Grading of the building site is finished and we celebrated our official groundbreaking on June 5th, 2022.

Our next step is to begin a Capital Campaign to raise funds needed for costs not covered by insurance. Currently we have received 1.2 million dollars from the insurance company and are hoping to receive another \$300,000 from insurance to cover code upgrades. Costs for the new building are estimated in the 2.2- 2.5-million-dollar range. In order to cover that deficit, we are beginning a Capital Campaign under the guidance of Rene Myers and are looking at multiple sources of revenue including fundraisers, donations and pledges of congregation members, endowment fund interest, and if needed, the sale of church owned property.

Currently we have \$56,064.40 in our Sanctuary Capital fund including a \$10,000.00 grant awarded by the Presbytery of Riverside Partners in Ministry Committee. Whereas the Presbytery of Riverside at the March 12, 2022 Assembly, approved a \$200,000 Synod of Southern California and Hawaii Partnering Grant for First Pres. Redlands, MagPres is asking for the remaining \$98,366.87 in Synod Partnering grant funds. In addition, we are also asking for \$200,000.00 from reserves of the Presbytery of Riverside; funds received as a result of the Gracious Dismissal process.

The last 3 ½ years have been challenging ones for our congregation beginning with the fire and then along with everyone else maneuvering through this strange new reality of a global pandemic. It goes without saying that this has been an unprecedented time in MagPres’ 145-year history. Through it all the leadership and members of MagPres have remained steadfast and faithful to the vision in which we believe God is calling us. We look forward to what God is going to do in and through MagPres into “a bright future” and appreciate your partnership in helping further God’s kin-dom in the city of Riverside and beyond.

Respectfully,

Rev. Claire Schlegel on behalf of the Session of Magnolia Presbyterian Church

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii

Grant Request

A Cost Effective Campus Security System
for the Safety of Worshippers and Ministry

February 6, 2023

Submitted by Northkirk Presbyterian Church Session
on behalf of the Presbytery of Riverside

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1 Critical Need for Safety of Presbytery Campuses

With the recent increase in violence and criminal activity occurring on congregational campuses presbyteries and Sessions are in need of security systems to deter and record dangerous events. The May 15, 2022 shooting at Geneva Presbyterian Church in Orange County on a Sunday afternoon is a local example of present safety concern. The shooter killed one person and wounded five others. A month later, on June 16, 2022, another shooting occurred at Vestavia Hills Episcopal church at 6:22 p.m. in a suburb of Birmingham, Alabama. Three persons were killed. In the U.S., FBI hate crime statistics show that incidents in churches, synagogues, temples and mosques increased 34.8% between 2014 and 2018.

Additionally, systems to protect children, elders, and others from abuse are valuable to promote healthy, safe environments.

As a matter of care as well as responsibility and potential liability, it is necessary for congregations to have in places a system to protect worshippers as well as other weekly ministry activities and community users of each site.

Such system must be visible externally and discreetly employed internally on a congregational campus. Congregations can include brief notification of these security systems on public materials, printed and online, to reinforce safety concern and provision. Additionally these systems must be active constantly, through all hours, and be able to serve in a sequence of notification to bring necessary attention and aid.

2 Past Models and Cost of Campus Security

Prior to the recent availability of lower-cost, high function options, security systems have been customized by specialized third-party businesses. The cost for a congregational campus system includes hardware components, installation and activation fees, and alarm monitoring. The on-going cost for monitoring typically cannot be mitigated since the security systems are not user-serviceable.

In the event of a security breach or event, congregations are often reliant on the third party to produce reviewable reports or video and the interpretation of these. While congregations may desire to increase security, if they have third-party solutions in place, they may be limited in access. Additionally, when a security system needs to be upgraded or extended, costs can be high since many protects cannot integrate with others, leaving the congregation with singular path option.

3 Advent of Lower-Cost Networked Campus Security and Benefits

In the mid-2010s computerized and networked hubs, cameras, and sensors, lowered the cost of security systems, making them accessible to smaller organizations and homes. These newer systems can offer equivalent security to prior customized systems but at a much lower cost due to the scale of manufacturing and the power of their software tools. Beyond prior systems, these newer solutions can allow shared monitoring and notification of system events thus decreasing the response time for safety measures.

New security system companies include Ring (owned by Amazon), SimpliSafe, Vivant, Abode, Google Nest, Wyze, Scout, Eufy, Ecobee, Frontpoint, and Cove.

4 Model Packaged Expandable Security System

The Ring Alarm Pro security product is consistently highly recommended in security system reviews for its breadth of sensors and accessories, latest WiFi support, and optional professional monitoring. The company offers its Deluxe Security Kit (<https://ring.com/products/deluxe-security-kit>) as the foundation for a small business which can be extended as necessary. This system is recommended as a presbytery platform for common, inexpensive security for congregational campus safety.

The basic system includes:

A base station that may be placed anywhere within WiFi coverage;

Two keypads to enable/disable the system as well as assess status;

Eight contact sensors which sense door way and windows openings;

Two indoor motion detectors;

A 250-foot range extender to enable the base station to access remote devices;

Two outdoor floodlight 1080p cameras with built-in siren;

Two indoor 1080p cameras;

Three eero WiFi signal enhance devices;

A glass break alarm sensor; and

A panic button alarm device.

The Deluxe Security Kit is priced at \$999.99.

The associated Ring Alarm Pro monitoring service is \$200 per year.

Given the Northkirk campus the additional components are necessary for sufficient coverage:

One keypad \$49.99

One motion detector \$29.99

One six-pack contact sensor \$99.99

Six outdoor floodlight 1080p cameras with built-in siren; \$899.94

One glass break alarm sensor; \$39.99

One two-pack panic button alarm devices \$49.99

These additional items combine for a subtotal of \$1169.89.

The total cost of hardware and first year monitoring service is \$2,369.88. California sales tax will add \$168.17 yielding a system cost of \$2,538.05.

For the benefit of presbytery congregations Northkirk will document by writing and video the installation, configuration and training for security system use. This experience will be shared with congregations at a joint in-service event.

5 Option for Shared Security Monitoring and Feedback

The Ring system has configurable options for notifications and reporting. These include remote access by smart-phone, tablet, or computers as well as notification to individual devices. To enhance security among the presbytery congregations the Ring security system can include notification to a common resource for backup and subsequent review. By sharing a common system, congregations can learn from one another best practices for configuration and campus safety.

6 Grant Request and Summary

The Session of Northkirk respectfully request the Presbytery of Riverside forward a grant request to the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii of \$1,269.02 to fund half of the cost for this cost effective campus security system for the safety of worshippers and ministry. Such a grant will be matched by an equivalent Northkirk Session approved expense.

This grant request is made in the spirit of our Lord's care and service for his congregations throughout our presbytery. May he continue to lead us for the growth of his eternal kingdom.

RIDGECREST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Bringing Worship and Fellowship to Those Within Our Walls While Also Serving Others Outside of Our Walls

[A Grant Proposal/Application]

02/07/2023

For years Ridgecrest Presbyterian has been a Matthew 25 Congregation. Our focus has always been mission and recently we have identified the many ways that we can reach those within and outside of our church. We are seeking grant funds to assist us in accomplishing these tasks.

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Bringing Worship and Fellowship to Those within Our Walls While Also Serving Others Outside of Those Walls

Introduction

When the COVID pandemic hit, Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church needed to find new ways to reach out to our church family, friends, neighbors, and the overall community. This outreach has evolved with time and it continues to evolve.

As a Matthew 25 church, Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church has evaluated and identified multiple areas that will allow us to better serve our congregation, the entire church family, including friends and neighbors, plus it will better equip us to reach out in improved ways to the overall Christian community.

It is our sincere desire to strengthen our own church relationships while providing spiritual nourishment and support for anyone within our reach. Because of technology, we can reach further than ever before and because of our hearts, we are always looking for new ways that we can enhance our outreach. Please note we are a very small, but mighty congregation (28 members), our only employees are our pastors, all other jobs are completed by church volunteers. The updates that we have identified will assist us in avoiding time spent on updates, upgrades, and repairs and consequentially will alleviate many of the day to day distractions that keep us from the completing the serious work of our mission.

Living Our Mission

Our church strives to stay mission oriented, we have found that our congregation thrives when staying mission oriented, here are some of the ways we have accomplished our mission:

- We collected food and clothing for St Michael's Episcopalian Church and the local Salvation Army.
- We created and ran a 650 lb food drive for St Michaels Food Pantry when their cupboards were bare.
- We invited our congregation to donate funds to send to PCUSA for support to Ukraine and they donated over \$2000.
- We provided Christmas and Thanksgiving dinners with an open invitation to anyone who wanted to attend.
- We facilitated a church picnic and invited members from other local congregations to join us.

- During Covid we cooked and served free turkey dinners and dessert in to-go containers and opened it up to all Ridgecrest community members. Volunteers delivered meals to persons who did not have transportation.
- Through “Be the Church Sunday” we served others cheerfully. Some of our projects included:
 - Repaired a fence
 - Cleaned an empty lot that was filled with refuse
 - Assisted seniors with their yard clean up
 - Rebuilt a senior’s deck which presented a safety hazard and prevented her from leaving her home.
- Every November and December we have shopped for, filled, and delivered food baskets to 10 or more families in need.
- We facilitated a Homework Club for a local elementary school, where we supported kids who were struggling with their studies.
- We recycled cans and bottles to raise funds to support water purification in other countries.
- We supported Sand Dams in other countries that needed safe, clean water,
- We offered free produce from our community garden.
- We provided free Bibles to visitors.
- We offered our support and assistance for Gold Award and Eagle Scout projects.
- We provided the chaplain for the local Hospital.
- We lead Bible Study to church members and non-members as well.

The improvements to our infrastructure and facilities will not only benefit our congregation, in recent years we have hosted/assisted many groups from our community and beyond. We have considered it part of our mission to keep fees extremely low and affordable.

Groups supported/served/hosted within Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church

- Stephen Ministry
- Ministerio Fuego Pentecostes (a Spanish speaking congregation)
- Indian Wells Valley Jewish Congregation Association
- Ridgecrest Clock Club
- Ridge-Writers Club (a club for local authors)
- WACOM Bridge Club
- Ridgecrest Classical Music Society (they arrange for and host monthly concerts at our church. These concerts are performed by visiting classical musicians and are open to the community)
- High Dessert Music Teachers Association (including teacher meetings, concerts, and adjudication events for students)
- Teaching Kids to Fish events
- Toastmasters club meetings

- Toastmasters Leadership Institute (a training event for Leaders from clubs throughout Kern and Los Angeles counties)
- Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts

Persons served outside of our church walls

On any given week we serve a considerable number of congregants. We are serving local persons who are home bound due to health concerns, persons who are just too tired to come in person, persons who need to be protected from disease transmission, and persons who are traveling. We also serve persons who are out of state, but want to attend our services.

Matching Funds

We are in the process of creating a fundraising plan, but in order to accomplish everything, we will need considerable financial assistance since we are already working hard to increase incoming revenue so we can afford to hire a full time pastor.

Our Realization and Our Opportunity

During 2020, Covid began to take its toll on our Ridgecrest community. We quickly put into place the necessary safety measures, and began to see more interest in watching our services by stream video.

In spring 2020, we experienced another major stress: our pastor of 17 years left for other work on very short notice. With the help of the Presbytery, we quickly found an interim that could start in a few months. All we needed was a month or two of pulpit fill while we waited for the new interim. However, the months stretched to four months, and then the interim informed us he would not come to our church. Our summer pulpit fill pastors offered to stay and they have been our $\frac{3}{4}$ transitional co-pastors since fall 2020. We spent most of 2020 in grief and with a sense of loss and abandonment. We did not know how to continue our old work in light of Covid, and we felt we could do little without our pastors.

For 2021, we re-engaged with the necessary tasks to stabilize the congregation. Covid was still heavy in our midst and made many of our old ways still unworkable. Session added a younger member and we became a very close team. Although financial records had been lost in the previous transition, we reconstructed our books and came to a good sense of our financial status, with the work of a new treasurer and a new assistant treasurer. Our pastors refer to this as a year of recovery, coping with the grief and learning to believe in ourselves again.

In 2022, we entered into a year of stabilization. Many of our old programs restarted, although more often online. Finances and record keeping became routine again. Attendance (both in person and online) increased. We began more social events and were able to have newfound joy in our time together. We started cooperation with St. Michael's

Episcopal Church, focused on local needs and outreach into our community. Our budget became predictable again, even though we wished for greater strength. Some long-absent church members returned and have wanted to help with our work and mission.

Now, we see 2023 as a year of revitalization and outreach. This is progressing in many directions at once. We have begun the Mission Assessment Process that will lead in time to the arrival of a new pastor who is right for us, but we are not waiting until that day! We are stepping forward with new activity to address the three opportunities we see ready for our action: Improving Worship, Sharpening Focus, and Intentional Outreach. Thus, we are seeking a grant and other funds that can move this phase along to clear results within a year.

Improving Worship, Education, and Interaction

Our worship attendance in person is about 20, with about 12 persons regularly attending on line. We believe that we have good preaching, music, and community, as well as an ongoing focus on shared mission. We have identified several areas where we need to expand our capacity and quality.

1. Internet bandwidth. Our community had no fiber optic service until just this month. Our new improved internet will be installed soon, so that we can run more than just one computer at a time and our services can use much greater visuals.
2. Internet extension. To reach the different parts of our building, we will need about 4 internet extenders. This will enable us to move from just streaming the service (as we have been doing for years) to also having an interactive video connection in the nursery (we have up to four children attending under the age of 4) and hosting interactive meetings on the church property, so that those outside our walls can be seen and heard in our gatherings.
3. Additional cameras. We currently use just one camera, pointed straight at the speaker's face. With additional cameras, we can also show laity in worship so that observers feel a much closer part of the worship service.
4. Additional wiring. We have two large screens for showing lyrics, worship materials, and other content, these are smart TV's but will need to be configured to work over the WIFI; we currently have them hard wired.
5. Improved sound system. Within the room, the very old sound system is not ideal for current use and we would like to upgrade the microphones and speakers so that all members can hear well from every corner of the room. We need better setup for our sound system as well, so that we can coordinate everything from one computer to enhance the audio experience.

We recognize that each of these needs will require not only hardware (and possibly some software), but also expertise. We do not have a church member who can set up a good audio system or make smart decisions about camera placement and use. We need a technician to advise and provide installation for us, as well as someone to teach the laity how to use the equipment.

Sharpening Focus

We at Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church want to spend the bulk of our time in mission. In years of recovery and stabilization, our lay members have spent so much energy on upkeep – keeping the building repaired, fixing overdue maintenance, moving chairs, cleaning out junky areas, and more. Now, we want to invest money into better systems that won't break as often, so that our time can move from maintenance to mission.

1. Our yard-watering system is quite old and difficult. We have spent hours searching for leaks and some leaks have caused \$700 in wasted water before they could be identified and rectified. We would like to replace this system with modern efficiency, so that it would be an effective, low-maintenance practice that might help us save on water use in this desert area.
2. We have experienced theft and vandalism, especially in the back of the church building. The monetary losses have been minor, but the safety risk is clear. We would like to add motion-sensitive lights and cameras in a few well-chosen areas, including some with police notification services. This should save considerable laity time and monetary resources in the long run.
3. We would also like to consider better lighting to the front and entrance of the church, and perhaps to the parking lot, so that our presence is more visible. A new sign in the front may help our community visibility. Having a sign that does not require manual updates could save significant time in the years ahead and would be effective uses of our property to let those who drive by know more about our activities.

Intentional Outreach

Our plan for attracting more people into our ministry and mission has several parts. We know that we need better use of our facilities, so we need upgrades.

Who Is Coming to Town?

1. The largest employer, the NAWS China Lake, is currently in a growth phase, hiring a considerable number of new employees in government and civilian jobs. People are moving across the states in search of these stable employment opportunities. In addition, the Ridgecrest Hospital (the second largest employer) is also seeing to grow its staff.
2. Within a block and a half of the church, a new apartment complex will open in late 2023. There will be 75 units for families, and the complex is designated as low-income housing. We believe this will bring many new people into our part of town, seeking community and a new start on life.
3. Ridgecrest has experienced a rise in demographical diversity over recent decades. Our congregation's in-person attendance is usually about 50% Korean

(Asian Americans are the second most represented group in the city at present). A large percentage of our new visitors have been men of color in their mid-20s, attracted to the strong job market and low cost of living. As a multicultural community, we should be able to expand our diversity to be a welcoming place for these new arrivals in our town.

Being Welcoming

1. Better lighting and signs throughout.
2. A dedicated nursery area that is child-safe and attractive to parents and caregivers. This would require the children's restroom to be refurbished, updated to current standards and best practices.
3. Expanding our community garden in front of the church will allow us to offer more fresh food, free to those who come by.

Intentional Action to Reach New People in the Community

We recognize that our community (the City of Ridgecrest, California and surrounding areas) is unique and is not positioned for high corporate investment and new population surges. However, it is a stable community of about 28,000 people. Housing costs are 21% below national average, and thus exceptionally low for California. China Lake NAWS is the predominant employer, with many other jobs from the regional hospital, the school district, and local stores. As in many communities, the diversity of our population is increasing quickly. Because of the hiring patterns of the NAWS, there is a constant inflow of government and civilian workers, many of whom arrive young and tend to stay in the town for 10-40 years. With this in mind, we are identifying some specific areas of involvement and outreach:

1. Presence at the nearby apartment complex, to offer ice-cream socials for new residents, picnics, games for kids, etc.
2. Continuing events such as Christmas and Thanksgiving baskets given to dozens of vulnerable families in the city.
3. Other food resources being offered into the most vulnerable neighborhood and streets.
4. Expanding offerings to include back packs for school children.
5. Offering crafts supplies for art and education for free.
6. More distribution possibilities for the vegetable garden.
7. Open up the educational spaces for homework assistance and other mentoring for children.

A Long Term Dream of a Day Care located in our facilities

We have listened to our community and heard a great need for expanded child care. We believe that Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church could become a site offering quality day care for children within the community. This would not be a quick or simple task, but we would like to take some of the needed first-steps to begin this repurposing of our facilities.

1. *Complete Refurbishing of Our Nursery Space*-- Safe floors, good light, refurbished electrical wiring, attractive durable furniture, accessible bathrooms, and video connections.
2. Clean out two rooms next to the nursery, which are presently used for storage or junk. Remove hazards and create clean and open space with fresh paint and safer flooring. These could be used as future children's space in time to come.
3. Seek expertise to develop a master plan for changes to building and use patterns to accommodate a day care. We would need legal advice, with the goal of a plan for applications, building improvements, and more, to give us a sense of what an occupancy and budget could be.

Our Observed Needs

Internet/technology needs an upgrade

Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church groups are served through in person meetings, worship services, and classes and all is offered through internet technology, including YouTube Live Worship Services, in person Deacon Meetings and Zoom/hybrid meetings (Congregational meetings, Bible Study, and monthly Session meetings for those who are not able to attend in person).

Our current internet is from a hotspot, this hotspot needs to be moved from room to room and only facilitates internet in one room at a time. The hotspot also has a data limit and services will slow down considerably when the data cap is exceeded, when this happens, streaming services have serious difficulty. We plan to upgrade our Internet Services with a new Fiber Optics provider that has just become available for our church address.

Beginning this new service (RACE Fiber Optics) will require a new modem with up to 4 WiFi extenders (also referred to as WiFi mesh units). These items are available to rent and will be included in our budget.

Expanded Worship and Meeting Services Requirements

Currently we have a set up that facilitates using one (1) camera. Creating a system with 2 or more cameras integrated with our large screen smart TVs would provide an optimal worship experience for those who are unable to attend in person.

Sanctuary

2 additional cameras

Hire a pro to set it up and train to use

Hybrid meetings for Bible Study, Session, and Deacons Equipment Required

Projector and Screen (already have these)

Dedicated computer(s) and/or tablet(s)

Sound Equipment (Speakers and Microphones)
2 more Webcams or cameras

Sound equipment setup and training

Our current sound system is a few decades old, but is still highly functional. New wire was purchased quite some time ago, but has never been installed. We need to have more persons trained on how to use the equipment. There are issues at times regarding settings not being set properly and few within our church understand how to operate this fairly complicated system.

We propose hiring a sound technician to coordinate the new wiring process, integrate the sound system with the new TVs that were purchased with previous grant funds, streamline the process, to define a simplistic set of instructions and to train multiple individuals to operate the system.

Security System

We have never felt the need for a security system, but due to recent break in to our storage rooms (sea vans) and the consequent theft, the local police department has recommended that we need to install monitoring equipment

The ring security system has up front / initial costs for equipment but then the monitoring fee (which is monitored by the Ring team and they will call the police if required) is currently \$200.00 annually.

Outreach Opportunities

Outreach has always been a planned project, but currently there are 2 reasons that the time that for getting the word out is most important this year. We plan to accomplish this through the local papers, current events and targeted ads. We also plan to distribute flyers to new households and local neighbors.

1). There is currently an influx of contractor employees as well as military and government civilian employees that will be working on the Naval base for quite some time, getting the word out to these new citizens is imperative.

2). There is a new complex of 75 apartment homes being built on Norma Street, just a few blocks from RPC. These new homes are specifically designated for low income families.

Nursery upgrade

We need to refurbish the room with safer, currently recommended baby and toddler furnishings. It is also imperative that we set up a way that a parent can be present in the nursery and still hear and visualize the ongoing Worship Service.

Community Outreach

Community Garden upgrade

Free fruits and vegetables are made available to church members, friends and neighbors. Seeds, mulch, manure, 3 more fruit trees, some compost, a storage shed for gardening and yard work tools are needed (currently tools are kept inside the church, this means a person needing garden tools must possess a key to the church).

Easter and Advent Outreach Kits for the Community

Easter and Advent provide an excellent opportunity for us to reach out to the community with an Invitation to join us on Sunday. Essentially information about our church, games, crafts and activities related to the season would be packaged into a box, bag, or package. Families will be invited to come to the church to pick up a free kit.

Automatic Watering System Replacement

This year our existing antiquated watering system has sprung leaks multiple times resulting in increased cost to replace the broken parts and our water bills were as high as \$700 for one month. We are at the point that as soon as we repair one leak, another one happens soon after.

All jobs/tasks within our church walls are currently performed by volunteers, with the exception of our 3/4 time transitional pastors. While several volunteers have stepped up to assist with the upgrades, we are at the point that we need to consult and hire professionals to assist with additional requirements.

Anticipated Project Timeline

Given the assistance of professionals for installation we believe that all projects will be completed within one year of receiving the funds. Many of the items listed can be procured and installed within the first 3 months after receiving the grant funds.

The actual timeline will be dependant on three (3) things

- 1) Timing of when grant funds are received
- 2) Availability of professional installers.
- 3) Availability of the materials

- Month 1 & 2
 - Place order for RACE Installation of Fiber Optics Internet plus modem and extenders
 - Purchase upgraded security locks for Sea Vans and put in place
 - Solicit bids and hire professionals:
 - Sound Technician

- Automatic watering system installer
 - Plumber
 - Flouring professional
 - Security System Installer
 - Shed construction pro
 - Outdoor lighting installer
 - Heating installer
 - Painters
 - Signage professionals
 - Daycare establishment and legal consultants
- Month 2 & 3
 - Order/Purchase (or authorize contractors to purchase) equipment needed for each project, including:
 - Cameras, Microphones, Speakers and Additional wiring/accessories
 - Dedicated computers
 - Security system components
 - Garden supplies
 - Outdoor lighting
 - Paint
 - Child size toilet
 - Heater
 - Flooring
 - Shed
 - Signage
 - Create content for Newspapers and flyers
- Month 3
 - Evaluate progress and complete progress report for Presbytery
 - Continue installations and setup
- Month 4
 - Continue installations and setup
- Month 5
 - Order supplies for 2023 Advent Kits
 - Install Shed with Professional Installation
 - Nursery Painting, toilet replacement, heater, and flooring Installation
 - TV/Video Connection for Worship
 - Distribute first set of fliers
- Month 6
 - Evaluate progress and complete progress report for Presbytery
 - Construct Advent kits
 - Install Double Sided LED Sign
 - Apply Children's Wall Décor
 - Begin ordering Furniture and accessories for the nursery
- Month 7
 - Deliver Advent Kit invitation to the Community
 - Distribute Advent kits
 - Begin planning for Easter Kits
- Month 8

- Order supplies for Easter Kits
- Month 9
 - Evaluate progress and complete progress report for Presbytery
 - Construct Easter Kits
- Month 10
 - Deliver Easter Kit invitation to the Community
 - Distribute Easter Kits
- Month 11
 - Evaluate progress
- Month 12
 - Evaluate progress and complete progress report for Presbytery
 - Complete additional tasks as needed to consider projects finished!

Evaluation

Evaluation will be accomplished in 2 WAYS:

- 1) Regular updates will be created quarterly and will be available to Presbytery or Synod representatives whenever requested.
- 2) A detailed checklist, complete with specific dates will be created; this list will be evaluated every 3 months to determine if sufficient progress has been made. If progress needs to be increased a detailed plan for required actions will be created.

Conclusion

Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church is seeking a grant in the amount of \$37,006 to assist us in furthering our Matthew 25 plan for ourselves and our surrounding community. With every activity we plan, we try to consider that everyone matters, we plan to actively seek bids from minority-owned businesses and we will do our very best to care for everyone that we can reach as children of God, in this spirit we ask for help in fulfilling our mission in sharing God's love with anyone we possible can. Thank you for your consideration.

Budget

PROPOSED BUDGET			
	Cost	Frequency	Subtotal
INTERNET			
RACE Internet plus modem and extenders	1428	Annually	
Wiring and Phone Update	300		
			1728
SPREADING THE WORD/OUTREACH			
Weekly publication in local papers	1200	Annually	
Flyers (Toner, Copier Maintenance, Paper)	700	Annually	
Easter and Advent Kits to Share	300	Annually	
			2200
EXPANDED WORSHIP AND MEETING EQUIPMENT			
Cameras (4)	280	Once	
Microphones	345	Once	
Professional Sound Technician and Equipment Setup plus instructions and training (3 weeks)	4263	Once	
Sanctuary Speakers	500	Once	
Wiring and additional accessories	250	Once	
Dedicated computers (2)	800	Once	
			6438
SECURITY			
Ring Sensors for all doors and windows (24)	396	Once	
Monitoring/Police Notification	200	Annually	
Professional Installation	1000	Once	
Ring Doorbell with Camera and Two way Communication	259	Once	
Ring Professional Sensor Setup Kit	730	Once	
Security Locks for Sea van Storage Units	100	Once	
			2685
GARDEN AND YARD REVITALIZATION			
Seeds	100	Annually	
Manure and Compost	500	Annually	
Fruit Trees (3)	180	Once	
7' x 7' Shed with Professional Installation	3500	Once	
Automatic Watering System (Installed)	5000	Once	

Outdoor Lighting (Installed)	2000	Once	
Double Sided LED Sign (Controllable through WIFI/Computer) w/installation	5500	Once	
			16780
NURSERY UPGRADE			
Paint for 3 rooms (12 gallons for double coats)	400	Once	
Children's Wall Décor	75	Once	
Nursery Flooring w/Installation	1200	Once	
Furniture replacement (safer, updated - rocking chair, changing table with topper and disposable pads, toddler toys, and play yard)	500	Once	
Child size Toilet Replacement/Installation	600	Once	
Heater Replacement/Installation	1800	Once	
TV/Video Connection for Worship	600	Once	
Consultation for Daycare Establishment Requirements and Legality	2000	Once	
			7175
GRAND TOTAL			\$37,006



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Subject: Synod Partnering Grant Proposal from First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino

Please find attached a proposal for consideration as an application for a Synod Partnering grant. The request is in the amount of \$20,525 which will **continue the development of 3 young leaders now in outdoor education professions, as they take urban high school youth on transformational outdoor experiences.** Those from the POR who took advantage of the Partnership in Ministry Scholarships for the 2018 Kaleidoscope Institute Training will recognize the 3 young leaders -Carmen, Lalli, and Ernie. They were our first Life Skillz students, our first interns; first Life Skillz student to become a member and Deacon, and our first young adult outdoor leader. They are excited about this opportunity to mentor younger students and share the power of going outside. This project is a natural extension of previous congregational, Presbytery, and Synod investments in relationship, wellness and leadership. The POR has prioritized **Radical Welcome, Leadership, and Next Generation ("especially Hispanic youth")** this project embodies all these. It is an opportunity for the Presbytery to invest in this outward focus: to celebrate, empower, and learn from the diverse people who compose our communities (but are largely not in our congregations).

In this project, we will hold gently while also letting go. The young leaders will be empowered to choose, plan and direct the experiences, and so will grow in confidence and effectiveness. As people with privilege whom God has called to act justly, we owe them our support. We also recognize that these Latino young adults will continue to lead us: **they widen our understanding of their experiences and needs and strengths-** helping us hear what God would have us do to increase healing and equity in our community (Matthew 25).

This proposal includes **opportunities for the Presbytery to be involved** - through the facilitated planning and/or evaluation retreats. We will use processes that can be applied to any context, and they can share in the joy and learning as we debrief the adventures. Please let us know if this is desired and who to contact.

Our congregation has been transformed by our Life Skillz students, who are now part of nearly every aspect of our common life, from caring for our property, to feeding our neighbors, preparing for worship, and hospitality. A few have become members. All have made us proud by their courage, insight, tenacity and grace. We experience God's love for us in their presence. We have enthusiasm and so do they- a grant will help us take this to a new level.

We invite the Presbytery and Synod to participate in this story. The "kids" we met in 2014 are now passionate young professionals ready to take inner-city kids outside to experience awe, wonder and joy in Creation. *The heavens are telling of the glory of God!*

Please let us know if you have any questions or require additional information.

Amy Smith, Clerk of Session
First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino

Summary and Background

“When we welcome others, we welcome Christ; when we bring together people who are divided, we are doing God’s reconciling work. We are called to serve Jesus by contributing to the well-being of the most vulnerable”¹

For over a decade, First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino (FPCSB) has been welcoming, reconciling and contributing to well-being by building deep and mutual relationships with the mostly Latino students of San Bernardino High School (SBHS) through our Life Skillz program. Consistent with our Vital Congregation and Matthew 25 initiatives, we embarked on this work to meet a need we saw in our community: low graduation rates. We now propose to build on investments [made by FPCSB, the Riverside Presbytery (POR), and the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii (Synod)] **to do a new thing. The monies we are requesting (\$20,525) will contribute to the well-being of vulnerable students by funding 3 outdoor adventures for them. We propose to simultaneously equip and partner with 3 young adult leaders (former Life Skillz students) as they design and lead these events** with help from us.

What is our community? Who is our neighbor?

FPCSB was established in 1874, and SBHS in 1891. In 1953, we moved to 1900 N E St, just across E Street from the high school. Currently their enrollment is 84.2% Hispanic. FPCSB is mostly white (81%) with just 16% Hispanic/Latino members. Fewer than 20% of our neighbors are over 55, compared to 67% of our congregation. San Bernardino is the poorest city in the IE, and the poorest large city in California. About 93% of the students at SBHS qualify for federal free lunch programs. Kids here grow up in poverty which means they have few outings and no ‘gear’ for going outdoors. They experience the stress of precariousness and have firsthand knowledge of violence. This is compounded by what has been named ‘nature deficit disorder’, which may have a negative effect on mental well-being. For these kids, **seeing young adult like them** who’ve achieved their dreams; combined **with glimpses of wide sky, open water and the glory of the natural world** can be transformative, increasing their resilience and overall health. **In a moment when teenage mental health is in crisis, this project is not a luxury but an effort to let a child breathe in clean air and in loving community.** It is the Church’s response to the emerging needs of our time.

We count 6 high school ‘members’ in our 2022 statistical report; but another 30 high school students show up every Monday morning to meet and eat with us. Our involvement with them deepens our engagement in the issues of education, family, and employment in our neighborhood. We are an active part of their lives, and as we pursue safety, inclusion, and justice for their sakes, we realize **we are “doing God’s reconciling work”** of Shalom.

Life Skillz – an ongoing and evolving commitment to community youth

In 2012, we went to a Holy Currencies retreat sponsored by the POR. **We were inspired to explore options to grow the wellness of our neighbors** -the students of SBHS, where graduation and achievement rates were poor. We know that not finishing high school contributes to **systemic poverty**. Built on a foundation of snacks, notes of encouragement, and celebrations, in 2014 we launched our Life Skillz Circle on campus, providing students with a support network using KI’s gracious leadership tools. The 30 Life Skillz students come to school early each week to engage in respectful dialog over breakfast with 6 adult volunteers. **They practice listening with care and speaking their truth, skills that remove barriers to success and build confidence in every area of life.** Our first students graduated in 2016, **each year new kids arrive** and participate.

In response to their desire for employment, we initiated our paid Internship Program in 2015. Life Skillz students apply, interview, and work in teams of 6 as church staff for 10 week terms. So far, 51 students have completed 113 internships. **Interns discover their strengths, preferences, leadership styles and worth.** Supervisors teach **technical skills, and model ‘soft skills’ of clear communication and equitable relationships** required for success. Life Skillz students receive other things they describe as deeply valuable: ongoing support, scholarships, recreational opportunities, practical skills, and coaching. These relationships and outcomes have become integral to our mission and our vitality. 120 students have participated in Life Skillz circles. They graduate at a rate higher than their peers (only one participant did not). **We promise to accompany them beyond high school**

¹ Presbyterianmission.org

and this proposal grows from that intent. As they enter new stages of life, we feel called to help them use their gifts to bless younger kids.

Previous Synod and Presbytery Support of These Leaders

The Synod and Presbytery have previously supported this expression of our outward incarnational focus:

- In 2016, Synod invested \$2000 in the efforts of Life Skillz students to support people with developmental disabilities and sent one of the students considering a career in medicine to Westminster Woods to work with developmentally disabled campers.
- In 2018, the Presbytery of Riverside Partners in Ministry partnered with FPCSB to invest in outdoor adventures for young adult Life Skillz students. The Presbytery also invested in additional leadership development for three of these youth in the form of Kaleidoscope Summer Institute training in 2018.
- In 2022, supported by a Presbytery Partner in Ministry grant, FPCSB held a Life Skillz rock-climbing trip to Joshua Tree co-led by a Life Skillz alumnus who now is a Ranger at Whitewater preserve (Riverside Co). The wonder of this trip was the seed for this grant.

A Season for Local Young Adult Leaders for Urban Teens

For 8 years our Life Skillz **students have suggested our 'next steps'** – this created the internship program, their enthusiasm caused its growth. We now have an exceptional **group of young adults for whom outdoor experiences were transformational**. When we've taken Life Skillz outdoors, we've watched them delight in toasting marshmallows, climbing rocks, seeing falling snow or a national park. Relationships deepen, there is time for conversation, we build trust. They come home changed.

For what can be known about God is perfectly plain, for God has made it plain. Ever since the creation of the world, God's everlasting power and deity is there for the mind to see in all the things that God has created. –Romans 1:20

In addition to the young man who led the rock-climbing trip, two more of our 2016 grads now lead outdoor experiences professionally. These same young adults went on our first rock-climbing trip and completed Kaleidoscope training. One stayed local and worked her way up to being a ranger. She joined the church and recently finished her first 3-year term as a Deacon. Two completed college degrees (the first in their families) in the sciences and became outdoor professionals. They all work in outdoor education and are friends.

We propose to empower these three young adults to lead outdoor experiences for current teenagers. As we build on their education, work experience, and natural abilities, we know that they will be **relatable mentors and models for our Life Skillz students, will uplift their home community, and will make the benefits of outdoor experiences accessible to our urban teens.**

Project Activities and Expected Costs

Experienced adult volunteers from FPCSB will accompany the young leaders and students. The young adult leaders will receive stipends for their valuable contributions. They will plan, lead, manage, and evaluate the outdoor Life Skillz program. Participants will experience wonder and a new connection to nature; will build community with supportive peers and adults, and see themselves represented in leadership. They will know the power of delight and awe.

The specific activities of this project will include:

- a planning and strategy retreat where leaders craft the year's destinations, activities & budgets
- 3 outdoor experiences for small groups of high school students.
- a wrap-up/next steps retreat in which young adult leaders plan the next year's program.

Project funds will be spent on:

- \$9000 in stipends (\$600 each per weekend) will fairly compensate the 3 young adult now professional outdoor leaders for their valuable contributions.
- \$7565 will provide an activity budget for transportation, rental and activity fees, and overnight accommodations for 3 outdoor trips (destinations and costs determined during the planning retreat.)
- \$3960 will supply students with outdoor equipment and supplies that urban kids do not have access to – sleeping bags, sleeping pads, tents, warm clothing, etc. Personal items will be retained by participants, and reusable equipment will be acquired and maintained for future trips.
- FPCSB will commit matching resources in the form of adult leadership, volunteers, and supplies for the 5 grant related events - the beginning planning retreat, the ending evaluation retreat, and the 3 excursions.

The specific events and expenditures will be determined during the planning retreat allowing our young leaders to bring their diverse gifts while ensuring that the activities meet our standards for youth nurture and safety. An evaluation retreat at the conclusion will ensure that we learn how to proceed in the future to engage our students and young adults in the natural world, the building of skills and confidence, and in accompanying our youth in their growth as community leaders.

Other Partners

FPCSB is an active participant in the Presbytery, Synod, and the PCUSA. We are one of the few churches in California that has participated in all 4 special offerings as long as they have existed. In addition to the Presbytery and Synod, San Bernardino High School, the Kaleidoscope Institute, Pastor Wayne Morrow and Desert Hills Presbyterian Church, our Presbyterian Women, a member of Spirit of the Desert, and others are additional partners in the effort to connect our worshipping community with our SBHS Life Skillz community.

Timeline

February 2023:

Application for Funding

Spring 2023

Until full project funding is secured, hold a leadership team-building exploratory trip using alternative funding (e.g. rock-climbing with Desert Hills Presbyterian Church). This trip is to retain and build interest and excitement until full project funding is secured.

Upon Receipt of Grant:

Notification of church leadership and outdoor team.

Month 1:

Schedule planning retreat for young adult and congregational outdoor team leaders.

Months 2-3:

Hold Planning Retreat & Acquire related resources

Within 18 months (seasonality & weather):

Complete 3 outdoor experiences for small groups of Life Skillz students.

Within 2 months of third event,

Hold retreat to evaluate project and determine next steps.

Periodically and upon project completion: Report to Presbytery and Synod.

All activities should be completed within 2 years of receiving grant.

Estimated Budget (attached) shows derivation of estimated costs per category based on previous trips, assuming 8 students, 3 young adult leaders, and 3 congregational representatives. Actual expense items and amounts to be determined.

Category	Item	Per Unit Cost	Units	Per Event	Cost per Event	Events	Total			
Personnel										
Beginning & Ending Planning Retreats	Young Adult Stipend	\$ 600	1	3	\$1,800	2	\$3,600			
Outing Leadership	Young Adult Stipend	\$ 600	1	3	\$1,800	3	\$5,400			
							\$9,000	Total Stipend		
Lifeskillz Outings - From Rock-climbing example. Young Adults to Plan & Determine										
Fees	e.g. Climbing Fees	\$ 70	14	1	\$980					
Food	Meals	\$ 9	14	5	\$630					
Transportation	Miles*	\$ 0.655	180	4	\$472					
Other	Per event	\$ 300	1	1	\$300					
Incidentals	Per person	\$ 10	14	1	\$140					
*65.5 cents per mile (2023 IRS rate as estimate of related costs)					\$2,522	3	\$7,565	Total Expense Budget		
Equipment	e.g. sleeping bags, snorkels, ??	\$ 125	8	1	\$1,000	3	\$3,000	Reusable Equipment		
Personal Supplies	e.g. appropriate clothing	\$ 40	8	1	\$320	3	\$960	Participant needs		
					\$1,320		\$3,960			
Event Deposit	Student Commitment Fee (may apply for church scholarship)	\$ (20)	8	1	(\$160)	3	(\$480)			
	Pay it Forward	\$ 20	8	1	\$160	3	\$480	Future trip scholarships		
							\$20,525	Total		
FPCSB will provide:								Grant Request		
Retreat facilities & thank you gifts for any partner churches										
Adult volunteers for supervision and to facilitate planning and evaluation retreats										
Regular staff (e.g. pastor, office administrator) costs										
Office supplies										
Hardship scholarships for students committed but unable to provide \$20 fee.										
Training and background checks per child-safe policy.										
Insurance and any other costs necessary for a safe and successful trip.										



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We just received these and believe they support our grant application submitted on 2/6/23. These are the words of our students, past and present, who have grown and benefitted from participating in LifeSkillz and the Internship program. We think they speak volumes about the value of this outreach ministry.

“I am grateful to have been a part of the program as it provided a strong foundation for my professional development. I am inclined to work in an area where I can see the fruits of my labor and I was able to see that in several projects around the church. I still think of the great work projects that my peers and I contributed to but perhaps more importantly, the great memories we made along the way. So thank you for your contribution in keeping this program going as it will have an everlasting impact on students in the years to come.”

Ernie, Class of 2016
Our first Intern

“My time as an intern was so impactful that it has forever affected the paths I’ve taken in my life journey, and I will be forever grateful. I gained wonderful hands on experience participating in various projects and tasks that I now have a better sense of necessary skills for my adult life. I also was able to form bonds with those in church and my own underclassmen, both of whom I would have never had the chance to properly interact with had I not participated. In this way I’m very grateful for the connections I formed in the program, and see them as precious. Going forward in life, I hope to continue my current connection to the program simply because of how important it was to me when I was an intern.”

Alexia, Class of 2017

“Being an intern helped me gain more confidence in myself and helped me become more social with my peers. I was also given the opportunity to learn new things such as how to use certain power tools. Now I get excited when I see one that I know how to use!!!”

Isabel, Class of 2021

“I was asked what the internship program means to me. What pops up for me is growth in myself as a person. I was a quiet and shy person before being introduced to the internship program. It taught me how to interact and work with people I may not know personally which then helped me in the long run because now I am more confident in talking and expressing myself. Second, it helped grow my work and leadership skills. I have always known I like to help people and keep myself busy and the internship program helped me learn skills that prepared me for my current job. Lastly, it made me realize that what I loved most is helping others to grow like I did because of the internship program”

Ariana, Class of 2022

“I have had the honor of being part of Life Skillz Circle, a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and an intern for the church for five years. I can confidently say the program and the church have impacted my life in a positive way these past years. I used to be very shy before I was part of this program. This program has helped me become more confident, supported me throughout my schooling and gave me advice. This program means more to me than words can describe. It has become my safe place, a place where I know I will always have someone listen. I have now become an intern supervisor and I try to make the interns feel the way I felt as an intern. The internship is a place for students to be heard, and to help them feel more confident and to grow.” Marlene, Class of 2021

“At first I just wanted to join the internship to get some money and have a small idea of how it is to have a job, but ended up doing far more than that. Yes, I’ve learned how to work in a team, learn how to do some yard work and experienced how it felt to be a leader. But what has been more important to me is becoming friends with new people and letting them see the real me, my real laugh, my real feelings, my real jokes, my real face...not my mask. I wouldn’t have imagined I would become so close and comfortable with my peers and actually enjoy waking up early in the morning to come to work. It has also been a good distraction when things aren’t going so well. I still laugh every time I come, no matter what.”

Breanna, Class of 2023

“For me the internship program meant a new opportunity to help my community and has been a good way to take good advantage of my time. I feel like the internship program doesn’t only mean helping other people, but also yourself. I say this because it helped me with self-growth and morals. I showed me what empathy can look like. I was also a good way to spend my Saturday evenings. I loved creating new bonds and just growing closer to people, learning new skills and using them in my everyday life.” Ana, Class of 2026

“I’ve worked as an intern two times and it has been a wonderful experience for the future. I got to practice for future job interviews with applying. I was able to get out of my comfort zone and was able to work along side friends and make new friends too. Even though we are part of the same club and school, we get closer when we work as interns. It is a great way to learn leadership, responsibility and gain the ability to work with others.” Ileana, Class of 2023

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April 19, 2023

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Greetings:

It has come to the attention of the Administrative Board of NBPC-SC that there is a surplus of monies that were originally marked for the Black Advisory Committee. Since the Black Advisory Committee no longer exists under that name but is now known as NBPC-SC; we are asking that the aforementioned monies be transferred to NBPC-SC.

I have been informed that the fund is listed under New Covenant Fund ID # 102240006050 and BAC Fund #38965 as of June 30, 2022 the fund total was \$10,059.73

Please let us know what information is needed for the transfer to happen.

Blessings,
Rev. Carolyn Habersham, President
NBPC-SC

Chaplaincy Update, May 2023

Last Thursday was quite a day.

Besides my regular patient rounds, I was called to pray at the bedside of an incarcerated patient as they succumbed to their disease. No one else was there. Their crimes had chased away family, colleagues, even the other inmates.

I was also called to pray with the shell-shocked family of a young patient who had died unexpectedly in the operating room an hour earlier, asking for God's help as the young children learned the terrible news.

I was also called to pray with a patient who's disease had taken "everything". This patient's days are numbered and they most likely won't leave the hospital, they have no hope for a cure and a slim hope for pain control.

God was very busy last Thursday.

It was a privilege to accompany these people and remind them of God's love and provision and presence. It was my particular privilege to do so on behalf of Presbyterians in Southern California.

As a seasoned chaplain, I admit, last Thursday was a heavy lift. AND as I walked out of the hospital, I felt a deep confirmation in my call to chaplaincy ministry and gratitude for being one of many instruments of God's peace and love.

Last week, I also tendered my resignation to the Presbyterian Consortium. It has been my joy and honor to serve as the Presbyterian Staff chaplain since February, 2015. I am grateful for the many opportunities this role provided to mature my chaplaincy skills and widen my circles of connection across presbytery boundaries with opportunities to preach and teach and get to know so many of you! The prayers and resources of God's faithful people in the Presbyteries of Los Ranchos, Pacific, San Fernando and San Gabriel (with special thanks to San Marino Community Church) and the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii have made this possible.

My last day at Los Angeles General Medical Center will be June 2, 2023. The following week I will begin a new chapter of chaplaincy ministry with the patients at the West Los Angeles VA Hospital serving as Palliative Care Chaplain.

The Presbyterian Consortium will continue to provide leadership to the Presbyterian Chaplaincy Ministry at Los Angeles General Medical Center. Please reach out to them with your questions, comments and interest in supporting this legacy ministry.

Co-Chairs: Rev. Sara McCurdy (Los Ranchos) & Areta Crowell (San Gabriel)

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Rev. Elizabeth Gibbs Zehnder, Chaplain

The Reverend Dr. Leon E. Fanniel
Racial Ethnic Pastoral Leadership Scholarship Program
SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HAWAII
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

June 3, 2023

Commission on Assembly Report

Committee Members: Alfredo Delgado (Chair, TE, Los Ranchos), Jose Felix Acosta (TE, San Fernando), Hagar Benitez (RE, San Gabriel), Timm Cyrus (TE, Pacific), Jennifer Fraser (Reorder, TE, Santa Barbara), Jeya So (TE, San Diego), Damon Green (RE, Pacific), John Moon (TE, San Gabriel), Narcissis Tucker Bishop (TE, REPL Coordinator). Mark Hong (Synod Executive) attends.

Our committee representation is astounding! San Diego, Santa Barbara, Riverside, Los Ranchos, Pacific, San Fernando, and San Gabriel presbyteries are represented! We're seeking a few good people from Riverside, Los Ranchos, and San Gabriel because terms of committee members in these Presbyteries are ending soon. To join our beloved community includes holding a love for ALL people, membership in our Synod, and an openness to work in this diverse community. We meet once a quarter. We practice The Rev. Dr. Eric Law's acronym R.E.S.P.E.C.T. and Mutual Invitation. In our diversity, we intentionally maintain conversations, so they are inclusive. This committee positively remains the longest standing committee in the Synod. The Synod approved REPL in 198241 years ago! Praise the Lord! Hallelujah!

One (1) Time ACH Deposit Authorization

Discussions around the best method of transferring scholarship monies from the foundation directly into the student's account revolved around the following:

- Initiating a covenant agreement between the student and Synod staff to assure ease of scholarship transfer led to a form called *One (1) Time ACH Deposit Authorization*. This form details permission for the Synod to directly deposit scholarship funds into the student's account. Scholarship recipients will provide us with their student ID number, which allows the Synod to submit payments directly into their account. This form is submitted, along with our committee's minutes and my official voucher request, after our committee approves the scholarship amount.
- Per Joanne, the Synod's financial officer, this process is standard procedure. Students control who can get their tuition/fee account access ONLY, and/or to make payments on behalf of the student. No further information is available when the account access is provided to donors. (Per Joanne, this is the FERPA ACT of 1974 [Buckley Amendment], which protects student's records from being shared.)
- Our committee discussed all the above. Motion. Seconded. Approved.

Reimbursement:

- Donnette Alexander-Jeffers had been awarded a \$3,000 REPL scholarship. When she informed us, she was awarded a full scholarship from Hollywood Presbyterian Church to attend Fuller Theological Seminary (FTS), we worked diligently to seek reimbursement as the funding had overlapped. FTS refunded us her \$3,000 scholarship. We applaud Donnette for receiving a full scholarship!

National Black Presbyterian Caucus of Southern California (NBPC-SC)

- When our two committees collaborated on honoring Rev. Leon Fanniel by adding his name to REPL's scholarship program, the NBPC-SC leadership offered to further our historical and related bonds by supporting each other's efforts. NBPC-SC has asked for some ZOOM meetings to seek ways we can enhance ethnic leadership and ministry goals. Initially, these will be with me and then with REPL.

Funding

- REPL is aware that we have a few faithful donors. Thank you to those who have donated to REPL! We appreciate you. REPL is aware that we are unable to access monies beyond foundation guidelines. REPL adapted by limiting student scholarship requests to only two times per year. REPL capped scholarship amounts to \$3,000. We continue to seek guidance and contributions to increase REPL's longevity as a provider of scholarships to our ethnically diverse students.

Seeking ethnic students: Qualifications for a REPL scholarship: (taken directly from the information sheet that is posted on the Synod website)

- The applicant must be a member of a Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) congregation or in relationship with a presbytery within the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii.
- The applicant must be under care of his/her church's Session or enrolled with his/her Presbytery as an inquirer or candidate for Teaching Elder (Minister of the Word and Sacrament), Commissioned Ruling Elder (CRE), Certified Christian Educator, a bi-vocational minister involved in emerging new worship communities, or a minister transferring from another denomination.
Note: Applicants who are not enrolled with their presbytery will be assisted by the REPL Committee in beginning the process as a requirement for continued eligibility.
- The applicant shall be a member of a racial ethnic group, and willing to serve in a racial ethnic or multi-cultural ministry within the PC(U.S.A.)
- The applicant should be enrolled full-time or part-time in a PC(U.S.A.) related seminary or in a seminary or program approved by his/her presbytery.
- The applicant shall be pursuing a M.Div. degree, its equivalent, or other approved programs required by the presbytery for a particular area of ministry.
- The applicant shall demonstrate his/her financial need for scholarship assistance. Ordinarily, expenses must exceed income.
- The applicant / recipient shall maintain "satisfactory" grades in accordance with the criteria set by the appropriate committee of his/her presbytery.
(Note: Racial-Ethnic persons with a M.Div. degree or its equivalent who are from other denominations in correspondence with the PC(U.S.A.) and are seeking to meet Presbytery's requirements for ordination or transfer may also be considered for scholarship funds if they meet the other requirements of the program.)

Our committee continues to faithfully serve with hope, joy, and determination, that one day, we will have racial equity in our pulpits, in leadership, in administration and in newly developed pastoral care ministries including chaplaincy. We look forward to new applicants, donations, and the support of CoA. Shalom.

The Rev. Narcissis Tucker Bishop, MDiv.

The Rev. Dr. Leon E. Fanniel Racial Ethnic Pastoral Leadership Scholarship Program Committee Coordinator

REPORT OF JPIC COMMISSION OF ASSEMBLY 6.3.23

Here is a brief report on the work of JPIC during the past two months:

- We continue to monitor events in Israel/Palestine and Palestinians in Syria. Historically the PC(USA) has leaned into a two-state approach to the conflicts between Israel and Palestine. We are beginning to see movement toward a one-state solution. (Karen Speros reports on this.)
- Tom English, although no longer a member of JPIC, continues to meet with us upon occasion and keeps us abreast of the latest approaches to Creation Care.
- We monitor the developments of the War in Ukraine which is covered by reports from our national office in Washington DC. (Jimmie Hawkins and staff)
- There has been conversation about the reality of racism and the reports out of California on reparations for BIPOC. Our April meeting focused on the Tennessee legislature by signing a letter from our national PHIVN (Presbyterian HIV Network) decrying the lawmakers' decisions to return \$19 million in federal HIV/AIDS funding allocated to Tennessee and we also noted the reinstatement of the two Justins in the Tennessee legislature. (Ann Hayman reporting)
- A California legislative update on Homelessness and Hunger was presented by Rae Huang who reported on SD 567. A sign on letter was available which was circulate among the committee and the Synod. She also reported on SB 555 and SB 225 which address housing as a human right. SB 4 involving faith owned property has passed through first hearing.
- The mass shooting at a bank in Louisville on Monday, April 10th was within an easy walking distance of our national headquarters. Gun Control continues to be a major focus for JPIC. N'Yisrela suggested controlling ammunition.
- Ann received an inquiry about how different congregations approach including registered pedophiles in Presbyterian worship services. We

have no national guidelines for this. Ann wrote back to the person making the inquiry, suggesting that they reach out to their insurance carrier for possible suggestions.

- Synod JPIC approved a grant of \$3500 for this summer's Mexico Mission Trip at our April meeting.

Reported by Rev. Ann Hayman, JPIC Moderator

Synod of Southern California and Hawaii

COMMISSION OF ASSEMBLY

June 3, 2023

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE

Mark Hong

By the time you receive my report, we should have had a listening session with the staff from our National Office. We planned to host five from the Presbyterian Missions Agency, including its President and Executive Director, Diane Moffett, one from the Foundation, and three from the Office of the General Assembly. The session held on May 23 was attended by the staff and the Presbytery leaders. The visitors were also able to visit various missional sites on May 22, while four were able to join Sunday worship at various locations by sharing their messages. Diane Moffett was even able to speak during the Stated Meeting of the Pacific.

Many changes are taking place in our Louisville office. Our top elected officer of the denomination, J. Herbert Nelson, who has served as the Stated Clerk for the last seven years is stepping down as of June 30. An Interim will be appointed until the General Assembly in 2024, which will elect his successor. Some of you may be aware that a Commission has been created by the last General Assembly to unify the PMA and the OGA. Our very own Francis Lin is serving as a member of the Commission. Let's direct all related questions to her. 😊

We are currently named as defendants in three sexual misconduct cases. Bob Brockman and his firm, BQB, have been retained to represent us.

Our long-time legal counsel, Kay Gustafson entered Church Triumphant, and her memorial service will be held at St. Mark PC, Newport Beach, on June 10, beginning at 11 am. She served our region faithfully and was the legal expert for Synod and all our Presbyteries. Riverside Presbytery, which originally scheduled its meeting on the same day, has graciously decided to postpone its meeting for a week so that many of its members can attend the memorial. There is an ongoing effort to find someone to follow in her footsteps, but it's going to be difficult to find someone with not only legal expertise but well-versed in the Book of Order. Please pray for her memorial and for God to send someone who can carry on the work Kay was involved with.

I was invited by the Board of Pension for a pre-consultation as it is trying to introduce different ways we provide benefits to the church workers. I attended a meeting in Philadelphia on April 12 at the BOP Center along with three former and current Co-Moderators for a round of constructive dialog. Many leaders from our region, including Susan Skoglund attended a meeting in Denver, which the BOP labeled as "A Season of Rebuilding". We thank them for their willingness to engage in the dialog.

Riverside Presbytery's EP Search Committee has concluded its work and will be presenting the candidate during its Stated Meeting on June 17.

The schedule for my planned Sabbatical has not been set yet. My desire to receive training in Korea during summer has proven to be a challenge and I am hoping to arrange something soon.