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Commission on Ministry Report to Presbytery

Presbytery of Northeast New Jersey

February 21, 2023

A. Actions Taken by the Transitions Team (Convener Madelynne Lindsey)

Cranford: The COM **APPROVED** the installation commission for the Service of Installation of the Rev. Jin Bae to be held on January 22nd at 3:00 PM. Members of the Commission include:

TE Rev. Richard Boyer
TE Rev. Shelley Gardner
TE Rev. Doris Glaspy
TE Rev. Doris Peterson
RE Rosemary Schultz

Mideast Evangelical Congregation - The Team reviewed the Mission Study presented by the members of the congregation and **APPROVED** them to move forward to form a PNC to call an installed pastor.

First Presbyterian Church – Carlstadt – The Team reviewed the Discernment Report presented by the team and **APPROVED the RECOMMENDATION** that COM construct a conflict resolution team to work with the members of the Session, the congregation, and the Discernment Team.

B. Actions taken by the Administrative Team (Convener Rev. Mike Capron)

Paul's Run, Philadelphia/Michelle Wildridge – The Team voted to **VALIDATE** the ministry at **Paul's Run** in Philadelphia as a position that one could be ordained to. We understand that the CPM will be speaking with Michelle Wildridge about being ordained there.

Iglesia Presbiteriana en San Sebastian, PR/ Jennie Lee Salas

The team voted to **VALIDATE** the ministry of Rev. Jennie Lee Salas as a Temporary Supply Pastor at Iglesia Presbiteriana en San Sebastian, PR.

Elmwood Park

The team **APPROVED** the warrant to create an Administrative Commission to close this congregation and **RECOMMENDED** that it be presented to Presbytery for approval.

The Team **APPROVED** the request to extend Mark Rudy's service on the Session for a seventh year.

C. Actions Taken by the Membership Team (Convener Rev. Susan Friedl)

Memorial West

The Membership Team **RECEIVED** Rev. Carson Washington into temporary membership, serving Memorial West and the greater community. Rev. Washington will retain membership in the National Baptist convention.

Freedom Fellowship

The Membership Team **RECEIVED** Dr. Samy A. H. Estefanos into membership. Dr. Estefanos lives in the bounds of the presbytery and serves the Freedom Fellowship, a first- and second-generation Arabic and English-speaking congregation.

First Presbyterian Church, Springfield

The updated Mission Study was reviewed and discussed. The Team **GRANTED** permission for the congregation to form a Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) to search for an installed Head of Staff.

First Presbyterian Church, Ramsey

The Minister Information Form (MIF) prepared by the Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) was received, discussed, and **APPROVED**.

Honorably Retired (HR) membership status was **GRANTED** to Rev. Thomas Craig.

D. General

The COM voted to move the regular meeting date for April to April 13th.

The COM met in an information session with the Memorial West congregation on December 1st. There was no regular meeting in December.