

Blessed Connections



Taking Care of Body, Mind, and Spirit

A Mini-Retreat for Pastors, Church Professionals

And their Spouses

Saturday, Nov. 13th

10:00am-3:00pm

John Calvin Presbyterian Church

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A time of support, renewal, and encouragement

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**COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT
SEPTEMBER 17-18, 2010**

The following items from the July and August committee meetings are for presbytery action:

Concerning Diana Hartman

The committee recommends that Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery release Diana Hartman to Wyoming Presbytery so that she may serve as Associate Pastor for First Presbyterian Church of Cheyenne, upon the request for transfer from Wyoming Presbytery.

Concerning Durant, First / James Shroyer

The committee recommends that Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery receive Rev. James Shroyer as a member of Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery, pending his release from the Presbytery of Western North Carolina, and that Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery approve the call of Rev. Shroyer as Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Durant, effective August 1, 2010, with the following terms:

Salary	\$21,390	Moving Expense - full
Housing	\$12,000	Vacation 4 weeks (incl 4 Sundays)
SECA	\$ 3,273	Study Leave 2 weeks (incl 2 Sundays)
Prof Expense	\$ 500	Cont Ed & Study Leave cumulative up to
Cont Educ & Books	\$ 1,000	3 years' allowance (if unused)

The Pastor Nominating Committee followed guidelines prescribed under AA/EEO.

The Committee on Ministry has completed the required clearance and background checks.

The committee granted Rev Shroyer permission to labor within the bounds of Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery until the presbytery decision on September 17.

Concerning Caddo, First / Sammie Jo Adams

The committee recommends that Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery approve Sammie Jo Adams as a Commissioned Lay Pastor for Old Bennington Presbyterian Church, effective July 11, 2010, in order that she may serve as Moderator of Session. She will preach as requested, with reimbursement provided at the pulpit supply rate of \$75 per Sunday. Sammie has previously been examined and approved as a Lay Preacher for Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery.

The following actions were taken by the Committee on Ministry at its July and August committee meetings and will be included in the presbytery minutes:

Concerning Molly Casteel

The committee concurred with the action of the General Assembly in the change of call for Molly Casteel, who will be the (installed) Manager of Representation and Inclusiveness for General Assembly, effective September 1, 2010.

Concerning 2011 Minimum Terms of Call

The committee received the report of the 2010 median effective salary from the Board of Pensions; the corresponding 2011 minimum terms of call for 2011 in Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery will be \$34,385 (65% of the median).

Concerning 2011 Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)

Based on the August CPI-All Urban index from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the committee recommends a 1.2% cost of living adjustment for 2011. A table indicating the 2011 minimum terms of call and recommended COLA follows:

2011 Minimums and Guidelines:

FULL TIME	Clergy	CCE	CACE	CLP
Minimum Effective Salary (required)	\$34,385	\$27,508	\$24,070	\$24,070
Pension	full	full	full	full
Continuing Education	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
Vacation	4 weeks	4 weeks	4 weeks	4 weeks
Study Leave	2 weeks	2 weeks	2 weeks	2 weeks
Cost of Living Adjustment (recommended)	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%

Ordination and Installation Commissions

- to install Jan Condren as Pastor - Tahlequah, First - July 25th at 4:00pm
 - clergy: Dan Milford (moderator); Ann Brizendine; Thea McKee; Rita Wilson
 - elders: Anne Davey (Tahlequah, First); Billie Parris (Park Hill); Bill Sampson (Poteau, First)
- to ordain Robert Quiring - Broken Arrow, First - Aug 15th at 2:30pm
 - clergy: Dan Milford (moderator); Mike Barron; Greg Coulter
 - elders: Kathy Brison (Henryetta, First); Mary Carter (Broken Arrow, First); Josh Kerr (Claremore); Curtis Roney (Tulsa, First)

Moderators appointed

(none)

Concerning Pulpit Supply List

The committee approved the pulpit supply list (see attached).

Pastoral Concerns

Dr William Wiseman passed away June 13, 2010. A memorial service was held at First Presbyterian Church of Tulsa. Andy Odom conveyed the committee's prayers and condolences to the Wiseman family.

“In life and in death we belong to God.” In God, we have a place, we have a calling.

I believe in God as Trinity. God is the Almighty One, the Creator. Out of love, God created all that is—the farthest galaxies, this solar system, the grass, the butterflies. Out of love, God created you and me as part of the human family. By sin, we tried putting ourselves in God’s place. Sin is a reality; we are sinners who rejected God’s grace. In another sense, sin has no reality of its own; it is a distortion, a parasite on the Reality that is. God is our Redeemer. God came in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully divine. In love, Jesus walked among us, calling us, teaching us, healing us, and pointing always to God. In love, Jesus died that we might live, and he was resurrected. So God’s love can never be conquered! God’s love and power are the greatest that are! In love, Jesus brought us what we could not achieve for ourselves: reconciliation to God and abundant life now and forever. God is the Holy Spirit. Out of love, God still abides with us, alerting us, convicting us, encouraging us, leading us, energizing us to grasp God’s Word, ingest God’s gifts, and live for God’s love in the world. Whatever else it means to believe in God as Trinity, it surely means that God is All in all, that God is more than we can control or articulate. God is a Mystery. So my views, my discipleship and ours, are always open to correction, recalibration, and sometimes downright upheaval. Yet God is a Mystery of Love. We who have seen the Son have seen the Father. We understand enough to know that God is for us, that our salvation is in God through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, that in Christ we find our destiny.

What is our authority for believing? It is, of course, Jesus Christ. But how do we understand Jesus Christ as our authority? Traditionally the Church has claimed three sources of authority: the Holy Scriptures, the Church, and the personal experience of the Holy Spirit. We need all three; we may think of our sources of authority as like a three-legged stool—without any one leg, the stool collapses! Or, maybe better, we could say that without any one of the three, our views slide far out of balance. The Scriptures are the Word of God, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ. The Church helps us to rightly interpret the Scriptures. The Spirit will guide us according to, not contrary to, Christ as we rightly understand him in Scripture. Yet our Reformed tradition places one of these sources as our first one: the Scriptures. I affirm this.

I believe in apostolic succession. So I am indebted to my parents, to my home church, to all saints in all generations who have bequeathed us such an extravagantly rich inheritance! Some day, I will be gone. And—now—the task is mine and ours to help others connect with God in the Church—the Church, which seems always one generation away from extinction—so that God’s voice may be heard in generations to come. Our main task on earth is helping people connect with the saving God. We do this through worship and education, fellowship, and service. We do this by celebrating the sacraments of baptism and The Lord’s Supper. We are not likely to help people connect with God unless we can be people who love and give grace. Grace—the bestowing of unearned favor—is the *modus operandi* of God’s love. Grace is like oxygen to us—without it, we perish, and with it, we live! Freely we have been given. And freely we are to give.

I believe that nothing in all creation can ever separate us from God’s love in Christ Jesus our Lord, and that, in the end, when all is said and done, God will have said and one it.

“In life and in death we belong to God.” We can never *not* belong to God.

Amen! So let it be! Thanks be to God.

In 1997 everything that was frayed at the seams of my life came tearing apart. My wife had major back surgery. We fell into grave financial troubles. Late that year she announced she was filing for divorce (there was nothing squalid that *The National Enquirer* would be interested in), and she left me the single dad of our teen daughter. I felt shame and failure at having brought such seismic troubles to my new congregation, the Community Presbyterian in Springville, Utah. (That church never ceased to stand by me with grace, though at the time I couldn't be sure what they'd do.) In the middle of everything else, my dad died.

When, alone, I got on a plane from Salt Lake City to Houston (to Tulsa) for the funeral, I was in possibly the lowest day of my life. I wanted to erupt into tears or a primal scream, but, of course, you can't do that on an airplane or on a ride a friend is giving you to the airport. On the plane I wound up in a window seat next to a Utah Mormon who wanted to talk about religion. That's not what most Protestant Christians would aspire to—being jammed in a window seat *next to a Utah Mormon wanting to talk about religion!*

Except...that Mormon let me talk about *my* religion, not just his. He drew me out (if I were going to talk, how could I possibly *not* talk about my dad?) and pointed to what faith we have in common. This man did the ultimate of what I hope to do in any pastoral situation: he helped me make a connection with God.

When we "deplaned" in Houston, we went separate ways. I heard him say, to no one in particular, "I was praying Heavenly Father would show me someone I might help today." Astounding. *I* was an answer to prayer! And not because as a pastor I'm so strong, so loving and wise. But because, that day, I was so *weak*. I believed then—and still do—that God was saying, "Hey, Jim. I'm still here. I'm not going anywhere."

Most times I'd probably write spiritual journey thoughts more straightforwardly. I'm an Oklahoma native (born in Miami in Ottawa County). I was born to Christian parents and never knew life without faith in a loving God. We came as a family into the Presbyterian Church the way many do: we had outgrown a more dogmatic, restrictive church and were thirsty for a church made more of love and grace. The First Presbyterian Church of Okmulgee was an oasis. (In time, my parents would both be elected as elders in that church.) Our pastor loved me, I belonged in the youth group, I experienced God at a Dwight Mission youth Communion service at the brook. I went right from college (OU) to seminary (Columbia) and the ministry. I've done five years of ministry in Clinical Pastoral Education and professional hospital chaplaincy. When I returned to the church pastorate in 1981, I never realized how much I'd missed *Presbyterian* worship, *our* theology, mission, hymns... I am called to pastor small churches. I've done most of the good things and less good things that a pastor does in forty years of ministry.

Yet this time, I've chosen to start this sketch with that one day in late June, 1997. It was my peak "God moment." "Hey, Jim. I'm still here. I'm not going anywhere." Maybe God gave me that peak moment because I so needed it.

In another sense, in, I suppose, *every* situation God is saying, "Hey, Jim. (Hey, Bob. Hey, Betty. Hey, Sam and Sue...) I'm still here. I'm not going anywhere." *Every* time I've strolled the wrong way, God has called me back into the right direction.

God has "restored the years the locusts have eaten." In 1999 I came to meet and in 2002 to marry the one and only Jamee. I've become an author (*Crossroads: the Winds of Grace*; www.thecrossroadsbooks.com, first in a series based on the Utah years). I am joyfully a pastor in the Presbyterian Church. And though, like anyone else, I can take God for granted, I'm still awe-struck by the faithfulness expressed in the lavish, lavish, life-giving grace of God.

Pulpit Supply List

September 2010

The following ministers and lay preachers may be available to preach at your congregation. You may call any of them directly or. For further assistance or information, you may call the Presbytery Office at 918-582-3077 or 800-533-1324. **This list is updated quarterly.**

The recommended honorarium for pulpit supply is \$75 per Sunday, plus appropriate mileage (at the current IRS rate - 50 cents/mile in 2010).

PASTORS:

Marcus Barber	McAlester	918-426-1026	
Ed Bernard	Hugo	580-326-6381	
Fran Callaway	Bristow	918-367-6680	
Jim Chamblee	Bartlesville	918-331-9357	(prefers 2 weeks notice)
Jill Clupper	Tulsa	918-528-6093	
Greg Coulter	Tulsa	918-582-3077; 800-533-1324	
Nancy Covington	Tulsa	918-743-4313	
Jeff Francis	Tulsa	918-631-2084	
Charles Freeland	Owasso	918-272-9829	
Judy Henderson	Tulsa	918-622-4403	
Ray Hickman	Tulsa	918-261-2500	
Craig Kilgour	Tulsa	918-749-6560	(Presbyterian Church of New Zealand)
Jae-Ho Kim	Claremore	918-343-7714	
Chuck Kriner	Tulsa	918-488-9105	
Mary McAnally	Tulsa	918-583-3651	
Leigh McCaslin	Park Hill	918-718-4572	
Kimberly Merrill	Bartlesville	918-333-0015	
Denise Odom	Bartlesville	918-331-3650	(occasionally)
Linda Reis	Tulsa	918-742-2028	
Sid Rice	Tulsa	918-496-9298	
Don Roulet	Broken Arrow	918-451-0718	
Rodgers Spencer	Okmulgee	918-756-2194	
David VanDonkelaar	Tahlequah	918-718-9699	
Gerald Voie	Tulsa	918-622-0029	
Bill Westmoreland	Jenks	918-296-3940	
Rita Wilson	Checotah	918-689-5801	
Lee Woodard	Sallisaw	918-775-9470	(Disciples of Christ)

LAY PREACHERS:

James Allen	Pawhuska	918-287-2376	
Rider Allen	Broken Arrow	918-355-8484	(within 60 miles; 10 days notice)
Dana Bailey	Muskogee	918-683-9365	
Robert Bain	Wilburton	918-465-3891	
John Batchelor	Fort Gibson	918-478-3755	
Allen Beck	Tishomingo	580-443-3509	
Don Best	Tulsa	918-491-1138	(occasionally)
Leon Bohanon	Watson	580-244-3311	
Mary Carter	Broken Arrow	918-251-5174	(days)
Pam Crawford	Bartlesville	918-333-1129	
David Dearing	Hugo	580-326-7568	(Goodland Academy)
Annette Haskins	Tahlequah	918-456-2463	
Robert Kelly	Bartlesville	918-333-2637	
Alexandra Knott	Bartlesville	918-336-5762	(candidate ready to receive a call)
Pat Lucy	Tulsa	918-712-1059	
Bill Reynolds	Bixby	918-252-9945	
Bonnie Smith	Tahlequah	918-456-3156	
Norma Smith	Poteau	918-647-3079	
Wes Smith	Park Hill	918-456-0130	
Eveline Steele	Broken Bow	580-584-2410	
Tommy Stephens	Pryor	918-809-0265	
Bill Wiles	Tulsa	918-747-9416	
Cleland Willis	Idabel	580-286-2829	

If you (or someone you know) would like to be considered for Pulpit Supply in Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery, please contact:

Committee on Ministry
 c/o Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery
 700 S. Boston, Suite 200
 Tulsa, OK 74119-1629
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September 2, 2010

Dear Partner in Ministry,

I'm writing to bring you in on a conversation that was shared at the last regular meeting of the Committee on Ministry. During our discussion, a hand went up followed by the question, "Do pastors let their sessions know what they've been doing with their continuing education?"

"Yeah, I'm on session, and I can't recall the last time the pastor told us about that," came the reply.

And the conversation ensued. I realized then and there that I am one of the pastors they were talking about, a chronic non-sharer of continuing education with my own session. Today I invite you to join me in my recovery. Let's keep our sessions and our congregations informed of what we're doing with our ongoing education.

In addition, the committee would like to start building a list of what educational events pastors in the presbytery have been attending and whether or not you would recommend them. The enclosed form is for you to fill out, if you so choose, to help the presbytery know of things that you have attended that you feel are worth considering. Results will be posted in the presbytery packet and on the presbytery website.

I hope this letter finds you in a good place in your ministry. We on the committee continue to pray for all the pastors and congregations in this presbytery as we seek to further the Kingdom of God in our midst.

Blessings,



Andrew S. Odom
Chair, Committee on Ministry

The Committee on Ministry would like to start building a list of what pastors have been doing with their continuing education. The intent is to help provide others a list of the possibilities out there and if they are worth attending.

The committee would love it if you listed below what you've been to and any recommendations you would like to share.

List up to two conferences or continuing education events you have attended in the past two years that you would recommend to others.

1) Name of event:

a. What did you learn?

b. How are you applying it?

c. What did it cost? _____

d. Website or contact info:

2) Name of event:

a. What did you learn?

b. How are you applying it?

c. What did it cost? _____

d. Website or contact info:

COM will take this information and begin publishing a list in the presbytery packet as well as on the Eastern Oklahoma website at: www.eokpresbytery.org/

Committee on Nominations Report

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Sept 17-18, 2010

If you have suggestions of persons who could serve on any of the presbytery committees, please contact Cheryl Finch at cheryl@stjamesjenks.org or 918-299-9988.

RESIGNATIONS:

Vince King	Dwight Agency (2012)
Diana Hartman	Connecting Congregations (2010)
Diana Hartman	Synod - Minister Commissioner (2010)
Rider Allen	Personnel (2011)
Michael East	Representation (2011)

NOMINATIONS:

Names preceded by an asterisk () will be serving a 2nd term and may not be re-elected
Moderators may only serve 3 years - each completed year is denoted with a (+)*

PRESBYTERY MODERATOR

2011 Sandy Bach; ELD; Cleveland, First

PRESBYTERY VICE MODERATOR (Moderator Elect)

2011 Heather Bartlow; MIN; Tulsa, John Calvin

COUNCIL MODERATOR

2011 Dan Milford; MIN; Sand Springs, First

COUNCIL (AT LARGE MEMBERS)

Class of 2013 _____

CARE OF CHURCH PROFESSIONALS (12)

Mod (2011) + Natalie Ford; MIN; Owasso, First

Class of 2011 Dino Rustin; MIN; Tulsa, John Knox

Class of 2012 _____

Class of 2013 * Wanda Johnson; MIN; HR

Dot Thompson; MEM; McAlester, First

CONNECTING CONGREGATIONS (9)

Mod (2011) + Mary Carter; ELD; Broken Arrow, First

Class of 2013 * Eileen Grantham; ELD; Cleveland, First

DEVELOPING CONGREGATIONS & EVANGELISM (9)

Mod (2011) + Ken Woodhams; MIN; Pawhuska Ecumenical Parish
 Class of 2013 Sam Haun; MIN; Tulsa, Southminster
Marlene Schwalm; ELD; Wagoner, First

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION (9)

Mod (2011) + Bill Wiles; ELD; Tulsa First
 Class of 2012 _____
 Class of 2013 Andy Odom; MIN; Bartlesville, First
* Bill Wiles; ELD; Tulsa, First

MINISTRY (18)

Mod (2011) _____
 Class of 2013 * Sandy Freeland; ELD; Tulsa, John Knox
Craig Hoster; ELD; Tulsa, First
* Jeff London; MIN; Tulsa, John Knox
Rodgers Spencer; MIN; HR

MISSION (12)

Mod (2011) + Lynda Ward; ELD; Skiatook, First
 Class of 2013 Grace Goodeagle; ELD; Miami, First
Elaine Johnson; MIN; Tulsa First
* Sid Rice; MIN; At large
* Lynda Ward; ELD; Skiatook, First

Malawi Partnership Subcommittee
 Mod (2011) _____

PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION (9)

Class of 2016 Sam Haun; MIN; Tulsa, Southminster
Joyce Ludwig; MIN; Broken Bow, First

PERSONNEL (6)

Mod (2011) _____
 Class of 2011 _____
 Class of 2013 Teri Summers-Minette; MIN; Grove, Grace

PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY (9)

Mod (2011) + Denise Odom; MIN; At large
 Class of 2013 * Sammie Adams; ELD; Caddo, First
Tom Launius; MIN; Claremore, First

RESOURCING CONGREGATIONS (9)

Mod (2011)	+ <u>Kristy Rodgers; ELD; Bartlesville, First</u>
Class of 2013	<u>Rick Davis; MIN; Tulsa First</u>
	<u>Tom Philip; ELD; Tulsa, First</u>

YOUTH COUNCIL - Adult Moderator

Mod (2011)	+ <u>Craig Gibson, MIN; Sapulpa, First</u>
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TRUSTEES (6)

Mod (2011)	_____
Class of 2013	* <u>Emerson Parker; ELD; Tulsa St Andrews</u>

COMMISSIONERS TO SYNOD (may be elected for up to three two-year terms)

Class of 2012	<u>Suzanne Wenger; ELD; Tulsa, John Knox (first term)</u>
	<u>Joyce Ludwig; MIN; Broken Bow, First (first term)</u>

DWIGHT MISSION AGENCY (3)

Class of 2012	<u>Gretchen Gibson; MEM; Sapulpa, First</u>
Class of 2013	_____

DWIGHT MISSION, INC. (3)

Class of 2013	<u>Robbie Burke; ELD; Tulsa, First</u>
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE (9) (Nominated by Council)

Mod (2011)	+ <u>Cheryl Finch; MIN; Jenks, St James</u>
Class of 2011	_____

Class of 2013	_____

REPRESENTATION (3) (Nominated by Council)

Mod (2011)	<u>Annette Haskins; ELD; Tahlequah, First</u>
Class of 2011	_____
Class of 2013	_____

NOMINATIONS WORKSHEET

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Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery

Sept 17, 2010

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PRESBYTERY MODERATOR

2011 Sandy Bach; ELD; Cleveland, First

PRESBYTERY VICE MODERATOR (Moderator Elect)

2011 Heather Bartlow; MIN; Tulsa, John Calvin

COUNCIL MODERATOR

2011 Dan Milford; MIN; Sand Springs, First

COUNCIL (AT LARGE MEMBERS)

Class of 2011 Arlene Phillips; ELD; Tulsa, John Calvin

Class of 2012 Martha Dale Wettstain; ELD; Hugo, First

Class of 2013 _____

CARE OF CHURCH PROFESSIONALS (12)

Mod (2011) + Natalie Ford; MIN; Owasso, First

Class of 2011 Natalie Ford; MIN; Owasso, First
Rosemary Priest; MEM; Tulsa, First
Randy Schreurs; MIN; Hugo, First

Class of 2012 Richard Carter; ELD; Broken Arrow, First
Peg Gotthold; ELD; Tulsa, College Hill
Warren Muller; MIN; Tulsa, First

Class of 2013 * Wanda Johnson; MIN; HR
Dot Thompson; MEM; McAlester, First

CONNECTING CONGREGATIONS (9)

Mod (2011) + Mary Carter; ELD; Broken Arrow, First

Class of 2011 Paul Merrill; MIN; Collinsville, The Journey
Cindy Rehanek; ELD; Jenks, St James
* David VanDonkelaar; MIN; At large
Sue Willis; MEM; Broken Bow, Oka Achukma

Class of 2012 * Mary Carter; ELD; Broken Arrow, First
Ryan Moore; MIN; Tulsa, First
Gerald Voie; MIN; At large

Class of 2013 * Eileen Grantham; ELD; Cleveland, First

DEVELOPING CONGREGATIONS & EVANGELISM (9)

Mod (2011) + Ken Woodhams; MIN; Pawhuska Ecumenical Parish

Class of 2011 Ann Brizendine; MIN; Muskogee, First
Pat Bustle; MIN; HR

Class of 2012 * Ken Woodhams; MIN; Pawhuska Ecumenical Parish

Jennifer Grantham; MIN; Okmulgee, First
Jan Grubbs; ELD; McAlester, First

Class of 2013 Carol McMasters; ELD; Sapulpa, First

Sam Haun; MIN; Tulsa, Southminster

Marlene Schwalm; ELD; Wagoner, First

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION (9)

Mod (2011) + Bill Wiles; ELD; Tulsa, First

Class of 2011 Ollie Briggs; ELD; Fort Gibson, First
Bill Burton; ELD; Claremore, First

Class of 2012 * Charles Freeland; MIN; HR

* Liz Beck; MEM; Coleman, Sandy Creek
Laurie Brumbaugh; ELD; Tulsa, Southminster

Class of 2013 Andy Odom; MIN; Bartlesville, First

* Bill Wiles; ELD; Tulsa, First

MINISTRY (18)

Mod (2011) _____
Class of 2011 * Clayt Evans; ELD; Bartlesville, Good Shepherd
Todd Freeman; MIN; Tulsa, College Hill
Sandy Harrison; ELD; Poteau, First

Class of 2012 * Judy Henderson; MIN; HR
Jan Keene; ELD; Tulsa, First
Lynn Simpson; MIN; HR

* Deborah Hackler; ELD; McAlester, First
Michael Homan; MIN; Tulsa, First
* Archie Lawrence; MIN; Wagoner, First
Rick Mosier; ELD; Claremore, First

Class of 2013 * Tom Murray; MIN; McAlester, First
* Sandy Freeland; ELD; Tulsa, John Knox

Craig Hoster; ELD; Tulsa, First

* Jeff London; MIN; Tulsa, John Knox

Rodgers Spencer; MIN; HR

MISSION (12)

Mod (2011)	<u>+ Lynda Ward; ELD; Skiatook, First</u>
Class of 2011	* Jerry Adams; ELD; Tahlequah, First Darry Carlstone; ELD; Tahlequah, First Darlene Cusher; ELD; Smithville, Big Lick Rebecca Montgomery; MIN; Bristow, Bristow
Class of 2012	Benita Collier; ELD; Skiaook, First Carolyn Elder; ELD; Tulsa, College Hill Jeanie Kvach; ELD; Sand Springs, First Mary McAnally; MIN; HR
Class of 2013	<u>Grace Goodeagle; ELD; Miami, First</u> <u>Elaine Johnson; MIN; Tulsa, First</u> <u>* Sid Rice; MIN; At large</u>
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Malawi Partnership Subcommittee	
Mod (2011)	<u>+ Jeanie Kvach; ELD; Sand Springs, First</u>
Social Concerns Subcommittee	
Mod (2011)	<hr/>

PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION (9)

Class of 2012	Patricia Bernard; ELD; Hugo, First Jan Dittmar; MIN; Poteau, First Peach Dye; ELD; Chelsea, First
Class of 2014	Robin Adair; ELD; Muskogee, First Richard Carter; ELD; Broken Arrow, First Jeff Francis; MIN; At large
Class of 2016	<u>Sam Haun; MIN; Tulsa, Southminster</u> <u>Joyce Ludwig; MIN; Broken Bow, First</u>

PERSONNEL (6)

Mod (2011)	<hr/>
Class of 2011	<u>Bonnie Smith; ELD; Tahlequah, First</u>
Class of 2012	* Cathy Hamrick; MIN; Bixby, Trinity * Chuck Kriner; MIN; HR
Class of 2013	<u>Teri Summers-Minette; MIN; Grove, Grace</u>

PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY (9)

Mod (2011)	<u>+ Denise Odom; MIN; At large</u>
Class of 2011	Bill Bailey; ELD; Fort Gibson, First Jill Clupper; MIN; At large * Linda Priest; ELD; Pawhuska, First
Class of 2012	* Thea McKee; MIN; Muskogee, Bethany Denise Odom; MIN; At large Mike Vandenberg; ELD; Okmulgee, First

Class of 2013 * Sammie Adams; ELD; Caddo, First
Tom Launius; MIN; Claremore, First

RESOURCING CONGREGATIONS (9)

Mod (2011) + Kristy Rodgers; ELD; Bartlesville, First
Class of 2011 Allen Beck; ELD; Coleman, Sandy Creek
Teri Launius; MEM; Claremore, First
Kristy Rodgers; ELD; Bartlesville, First
Class of 2012 Robbie Burke; ELD; Tulsa, First
* Karen Kriner; ELD; Tulsa, College Hill
Majorie Swofford; ELD; Jenks, St James
Class of 2013 Rick Davis; MIN; Tulsa, First
Tom Philip; ELD; Tulsa, First

YOUTH COUNCIL - Adult Moderator

Mod (2011) + Craig Gibson; MIN; Sapulpa, First

TRUSTEES (6)

Mod (2011) _____
Class of 2011 * Bill Eagleton; MEM; Tulsa, First
Bill Stuckert; ELD; Sand Springs, First
Class of 2012 * Fred Bray; ELD; Broken Bow, First
Jeff Mayo; ELD; Sallisaw, First
Class of 2013 * Emerson Parker; ELD; Tulsa, St Andrews

COMMISSIONERS TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY *(elected in odd years only)*

Clergy Commissioner (2010) Dan Milford; MIN; Sand Springs, First
Clergy Alternate (2010) Marcus Barber; MIN; At large
Clergy Commissioner (2010) Heather Bartlow; MIN; Tulsa, John Calvin
Clergy Alternate (2010) Fran Callaway; MIN; HR
Elder Commissioner (2010) David Dearing; ELD; Hugo, First
Elder Alternate (2010) Craig Henderson; ELD; Sapulpa, First
Elder Commissioner (2010) Robbie Burke; ELD; Tulsa, First
Elder Alternate (2010) Martha Dale Wettstain; ELD; Hugo, First
YAAD (2010) Michael East; MEM; Sapulpa, First
YAAD Alternate (2010) Kyle Elliott; MEM; Claremore, First

COMMISSIONERS TO SYNOD (may be elected for up to three two-year terms)

Class of 2011 Edna Mitchell; ELD; Bristow, Bristow (second term)
Jane Huffstetler; MIN; Jenks, St. James (third term)
Class of 2012 Suzanne Wenger; ELD; Tulsa, Tulsa, John Knox (first term)
Joyce Ludwig; MIN; Broken Bow, First (first term)

DWIGHT MISSION AGENCY (3)

Class of 2011	* Annette Haskins; ELD; Tahlequah, First
Class of 2012	<u>Gretchen Gibson; MEM; Sapulpa, First</u>
Class of 2013	_____

DWIGHT MISSION, INC. (3)

Class of 2011	*Royce Kelly; ELD; Tulsa, First
Class of 2012	Stephanie Mowat; MEM; McAlester, First
Class of 2013	<u>Robbie Burke; ELD; Tulsa, First</u>

NOMINATING COMMITTEE (9) (Nominated by Council)

Mod (2011)	<u>+ Cheryl Finch; MIN; Jenks, St James</u>
Class of 2011	_____

Class of 2012	Janet Drummond; ELD; Pawhuska, First Cheryl Finch; MIN; Jenks, St James Grace Terry; ELD; McAlester, First
Class of 2013	_____

REPRESENTATION (3) (Nominated by Council)

Mod (2011)	<u>Annette Haskins; ELD; Tahlequah, First</u>
Class of 2011	_____
Class of 2012	Annette Haskins; ELD; Tahlequah, First
Class of 2013	_____

Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery
NOMINATION FORM

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Please type or print.

Name of person being nominated: _____

Telephone Number: Home _____ Office _____

Mailing Address: _____

Church Membership (for lay persons) - please include both name of church and city:

Gender: _____ Male _____ Female

Age: _____ 25 & under _____ 26-45 _____ 46-65 _____ 65 & up

Racial/Ethnic Identification: _____ (A)sian, (B)lack, (H)ispanic, (N)ative American, (W)hite, (O)ther

Is the nominee: _____ an Elder? _____ a Certified Educator?
_____ a person with disabilities (we seek to include all people)

Endorsement for EOP Committee:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Care of Church Professionals | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Judicial Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Connecting Congregations | <input type="checkbox"/> Personnel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Developing Cong's & Evangelism | <input type="checkbox"/> Preparation for Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance & Administration | <input type="checkbox"/> Representation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Resourcing Congregations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mission | <input type="checkbox"/> Trustees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nominations | <input type="checkbox"/> Council (at-large member) |

Endorsement for other positions recommended by EOP Nominating Committee:

- Dwight Mission Agency Representative
- Dwight Inc. Representative
- Synod Commissioner (2011-12)
- General Assembly Commissioner (2012) (include letter of recommendation from Session)
- GA Young Adult Advisory Delegate (2012) (include letter of recommendation from Session)

Comments: _____

Nomination submitted by _____ Date _____ Phone _____

Please submit this form to: Nominating Committee
c/o Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery
700 S Boston, Suite 200
Tulsa OK 74119

**DESCRIPTION OF COMMITTEES & AGENCIES
OF EASTERN OKLAHOMA PRESBYTERY
JUNE 2010**

Presbytery Assembly:

- The presbytery is the governing body, responsible for mission, program, oversight and policy for the congregations in Eastern Oklahoma
- Meets quarterly (typically in March, June, September, December)

Presbytery Council:

- Comprised of moderators of standing committees and three persons elected at large
- Serves as the coordinating council for the presbytery
- At-large members serve as the presbytery meeting planning team
- Meets quarterly, about four weeks prior to each presbytery meeting

Care of Church Professionals Committee:

- Responsible for pastoral care and support of pastors and church professionals
- Meets quarterly, on Committee Days

Connecting Congregations Committee:

- Responsible for ministries linking congregations to the presbytery, the Presbyterian Church (USA), and the world
- Meets quarterly, on Committee Days

Developing Congregations Committee:

- Responsible for ministries and strategies in support of congregational development and vitality in the presbytery and its congregations
- Meets quarterly, on Committee Days

Finance & Administration Committee:

- Oversees the presbytery budget and investments, including its monthly expenses
- Meets quarterly, on Committee Days

Ministry Committee:

- Oversees and provides models for pastoral leadership within the presbytery
- Meets 9-12 times per year (not on Committee Days)

Mission Committee:

- Responsible for developing and implementing a mission strategy for the presbytery, interpreting and promoting presbytery mission causes, and assisting congregations in mission
- Meets quarterly, on Committee Days (subcommittees meet as needed)
- Subcommittees: Malawi Partnership; Social Concerns

Nominating Committee:

- Provides nominees for presbytery officers, committees, and moderators of committees, as well as Dwight Agency, Synod and General Assembly
- Meets quarterly, on Committee Days

Permanent Judicial Commission:

- Serves as ecclesiastical court for matters referred in accord with *Rules of Discipline*
- Meets as needed

Personnel Committee:

- Oversees presbytery staff and develops/applies personnel policies
- Meets quarterly, on Committee Days

Preparation for Ministry Committee:

- Oversees inquirers and candidates for ministry
- Meets 6-8 times per year, including Committee Days

Representation Committee:

- Encourages full participation by all constituent groups in the life and work of the presbytery
- Meets quarterly, on Committee Days

Resourcing Congregations Committee:

- Responsible for ministries and resources in support of congregations and their programs
- Meets quarterly, on Committee Days
- Subcommittees: Youth Council

Trustees:

- Oversees the real property of the presbytery and serves as liaison between the presbytery and its congregations in matters of their real property
- Meets quarterly, on Committee Days

Dwight Mission Agency Board:

- Oversees program and facilities of Dwight Mission Camp & Conference Center
- Meets 4-6 times per year, not on Committee Days (meetings rotate between all 3 presbyteries)

Dwight Mission, Inc:

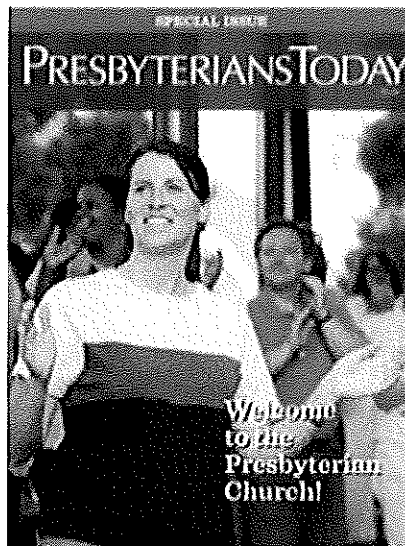
- Oversees investments and real properties of Dwight Mission
- Meets at least annually, not on Committee Days

Commissioner and Young Adult Advisory Delegate to General Assembly:

- Serves as commissioner to week-long General Assembly (usually in June or July)
- Elected for two-year terms (elected in Sept or Dec of odd years for even-year Assembly meeting)
- Must be able to attend orientation prior to GA and report to presbytery after return (June or Sept)
- Lay persons must also submit a letter of recommendation from Session
- Young Adult Advisory Delegate must be 18-23 years old on the day General Assembly convenes

Commissioner to Synod:

- Serves as commissioner to Synod meetings (typically three 2-day meetings per year)
- Elected to two-year terms (new class elected each year)



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