



Presbytery of Arkansas

March 14, 2026

Draft Minutes of the One Hundred Sixty First Stated Meeting

The Presbytery of Arkansas at University of the Ozarks Clarksville, Arkansas

The 161st Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Arkansas was hosted by University of the Ozarks in Clarksville, Arkansas. The in-person meeting was also livestreamed. On Friday prior to the meeting, workshops were held after a tasty Tex-Mex buffet. The workshops included: A Junk Journaling Guide to Discernment, Spirituality and Older Adults and a Theological Discussion led by MWS Jim Poinsett.

Worship

Worship leaders included: Rev. Judi McMillan, Rev. Jeremy Wilhelmi, Rev. Elizabeth Brinegar and Rev. Blake Brinegar. Music was performed by University of the Ozarks Choir, Poetry in Motion and the youth of the presbytery participated in Passing of the Peace and prayers. During the Prayers of the People, a moment of silence was held for RE Patty Minga (First, Jonesboro) and RE Kathy White (First, Hot Springs), who were killed in a car accident on their way to a Synod PW gathering. Rev. McMillan, outgoing presbytery moderator, preached on Holy Humor with scripture from Psalm 98 and Acts 20:7-11. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed. An Installation Service for the incoming moderator was held for Dr. Jane Webb by Rev. Blake Brinegar. The offering totaled \$1,258.88 to benefit the Presbytery of Arkansas Scholarship fund at University of the Ozarks. Awards were presented by the youth for the best fun/funny/inclusive T-shirts at the end of the service.

Call to Order and Opening Prayer

The 161st Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Arkansas was called to order at 10:40 am by Moderator RE Dr. Jane Webb with the striking of the gavel and lighting the Christ Candle. She welcomed all attendees to the meeting and offered the opening prayer. Later in the meeting, ten commissioners were recognized by the moderator for attending a presbytery meeting for the first time: Judy Ancell, Mena, First; Bruce Buckalew, Little Rock, Grace; Gwen Dulin, Wynne; Pam Gilbreath, Fayetteville, First United; Ethan Harbour, First, Clarksville; Melissa Holden, Benton, First; Miriam Johnson, Morrilton, First; Audrey Jones, Bentonville, First; Allen McMillan, Little Rock, Pulaski Heights; and Karen Ostlund, Fairfield Bay, Kirk of the Hills.

Rev. Jeremy Wilhelmi welcomed everyone to the meeting and being at the University of the Ozarks. He apologized that President Dunsworth was unable to attend but sends his greetings. He discussed campus improvements and recent awards the university had received.

Business of the Presbytery

Quorum Established

Stated Clerk Blake Brinegar confirmed that the meeting had a quorum. A quorum for the stated meeting is at least 20 Ruling Elders and 20 Ministers of the Word and Sacrament with at least 20 congregations represented overall, as approved at the February 10, 2018 Stated Meeting. A quorum was present with a total of 94 in attendance, of whom 71 could vote. The attendance is included in the Appendix as Section I.

Consent Agenda

Stated Clerk Brinegar presented the Consent Agenda.

For Action:

1. **Motion to Adopt the Docket**
2. **Motion to approve the minutes of the 160th Meeting of the Presbytery of Arkansas, October 11, 2025, held at Second Presbyterian Church in Little Rock, AR. The Rev. Dr. Mark Douglass, Professor of Christian Ethics at Columbia Theological Seminary preaching.**
3. **Motion to enroll corresponding members with voice but no vote.**
4. **Motion to grant privilege of the floor (voice) to those registered, but without vote.**
5. **Motion for the stated clerk to record those absent and those present and include those names and numbers in the minutes, serving as what the Presbytery of Arkansas has historically termed the “Leaves of Absence Committee.”**
6. **To approve the sale of the Westminster, LR property, by the AC to close churches.**

The moderator explained all motions may be voted on as in total or anyone is welcome to remove any item for discussion. She asked if anyone wanted to remove an item for discussion or if there were any changes. No changes were made. **Moderator Webb entertained a motion; one was made and seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

Stated Clerk Report

Stated Clerk Brinegar's written report can be found in the Appendix, Section II. He said an allegation was received against minister x and an IC (Investigative Committee) has been formed and is diligently working. There were no action items. He also discussed the required Boundary Training for pastors and those listed in the packet needed to be certified (completed) by December 31, 2026 to stay in compliance. Pastors need to be recertified every three years.

Ferncliff

Executive Director, Joel Gill, reported that next year is Ferncliff's 90th year in operation and thanked the presbytery for its ongoing support. He invited everyone to enter the drawing to win an up to 20 people 2-night, 3-day retreat. At the close of the meeting, Alice Kutz from Springdale won the drawing. He had slides from their capital campaign which is at 80% of goal.

Ministry Architects

Scott Pontier, lead consultant for Ministry Architects, reported that Mark DeVries has retired and he gave a report that the visioning and discerning process began in the fall of 2023 and into spring of 2024, the plan was adopted in October 2024 and they have been working on implementation goals. In spring of 2025, they kicked off the search for the new staff positions, which continues. The Incubation and Innovation Committee is currently working on opportunities for New Worshipping Communities, church properties, innovation ministries and with ruling elders to equip future leaders in the churches. He mentioned grant opportunities and left his email: scott.pontier@ministryarchitects.com.

Coordinating Team Report

RE Dr. Jane Webb gave the report for the Coordinating Team. The written portion of her report may be found in the Appendix, Section III. She made the **Motion to:**

Amend Section 4.A.1.a and 4.A.1.c of the Presbytery of Arkansas Ministry Manual Part 1 (Organization and Structure) as follows:

a. Election: An individual nominated to serve as Moderator will normally be elected as "Moderator-in-Election" (or Vice-Moderator) in the fall preceding the first year of service. Upon election as Moderator-in-Election, the individual is deemed to have been elected to the full ~~three~~ two years of service as Moderator-in-Election for one year, and Moderator and

Moderator of the Coordinating Team in the second year unless resignation or removal from office prevent the completion of the term.

c. Vacancy: Should a vacancy occur during the first year of service (Moderator-in-Election), the Committee on Nominations shall bring to the next stated or called meeting of the Presbytery the name of an individual to be elected for the remainder of the term. Should a vacancy occur during the second year of service (Moderator)/*Moderator of the Coordinating Team*, the Moderator-in-Election shall assume the role of Moderator *and Moderator of the Coordinating Team* for the rest of the unexpired term and continue to serve his or her own elected term. ~~Should a vacancy occur during the third year of service (Moderator of Coordinating Team), the Moderator-in-Election shall serve the remainder of the unexpired term as Moderator of Coordinating Team.~~

Moderator Webb accepted a motion to suspend the standing rules, to waive the 30-day notification requirement for the change to the ministry manual. The motion was seconded, and no discussion was held, and the motion carried unanimously.

Moderator Webb accepted a motion and a second to amend the Ministry Manual, changing the terms of the moderator to two years instead of three. No discussion was held, motion carried unanimously.

Rev. Judi McMillan is now the moderator of the Coordinating Team. The contract extension for Interim General Presbyter Jim Poinsett is included in the Appendix, Section III, Exhibit 1.

Committee on Ministry Report

Moderator MWS Leslie Roper said that the committee is regularly checking in on churches to maintain good communication and everyone is ok. Her written report may be found in the Appendix, Section IV. She had the following action items:

For Action:

- 1. Motion to transfer the membership of MWS Elizabeth Cahoon to Grace Presbytery.**
- 2. Motion to transfer the membership of MWS Krista Denne to John Knox Presbytery.**
- 3. Motion to transfer the membership of Terry Tallent (HR) to Wyoming Presbytery.**

She combined these motions with approval. No second was needed since coming from a committee. No discussion was held. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- 4. Motion to approve the retirement of MWS Yvonne Thurmond and approve the dissolution of her call to First, Yellville effective January 1, 2026.**

No second was needed since coming from a committee. No discussion was held. **Motion carried unanimously.**

5. Motion to approve the retirement of MWS of Jeff Price and approve the dissolution of his call to Trinity, Little Rock effective February 1, 2026.

No second was needed since coming from a committee. No discussion was held. **Motion carried unanimously.**

6. Motion to approve the call of MWS Sharon Rees as Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Jonesboro, effective March 16, 2026 and enroll her as a member of the Presbytery of Arkansas with the following terms of call:

Cash and Housing	\$65,000.00
Board of Pensions –Minister + Spouse	\$30,125.00
FICA	\$ 4,973.00
Moving Costs (One Time Expense)	\$ 5,000.00
Professional Expenses Reimbursed by voucher up to	\$ 4,700.00
Vacation	4 weeks, including Sundays
Continuing Education Time	2 weeks, including Sundays
Family Medical Leave	12 weeks
Sabbatical Leave to be taken in the 7th year with Presbytery approval.	

MWS Sharon Rees’ Statement of Faith is included as Section IV, Exhibit 1. Rev. Roper introduced Rev Rees to the meeting and she gave an introduction and her history.

No second was needed since coming from a committee. No discussion was held. **Motion carried unanimously.** Rev. Rees was welcomed by the attendees and members of her church were also recognized.

7. Motion to approve the call of MWS Jeffrey Kane as Pastor of Kirk in the Pines Presbyterian Church of Hot Springs Village, effective May 1, 2026 and enroll him as a member of the Presbytery of Arkansas with the following terms of call:

Cash and Housing	\$85,000.00
Board of Pensions –Minister + Spouse	\$35,625.00
FICA	\$ 6,503.00
Professional Expenses Reimbursed by voucher up to	\$ 4,000.00
Vacation	4 weeks, including Sundays
Family Medical Leave	12 weeks
Sabbatical Leave to be taken in the 7th year with Presbytery approval.	
Continuing Education	2 Weeks
Continuing Education Expenses	\$ 1,200.00
Moving Expenses	Reimbursed

MWS Jeffrey Kane's Statement of Faith is included as Section IV, Exhibit 2. Rev. Roper introduced Rev. Kane to the meeting and he gave an introduction and his history. He is the father of Ben Kane, pastor of Second Presbyterian. His welcome included everyone Calling the Hogs.

No second was needed since coming from a committee. No discussion was held. **Motion carried unanimously.** Rev. Kane was welcomed by the attendees and members of his church were also recognized.

The Pulpit Supply agreement with Rev. Brian Timmons and Mount Vernon Presbyterian and the fund policy for the Toney McMillan Fund for Vocational Discernment can also be found in the Appendix, Section IV exhibits 3 and 4. Rev. Roper asked for people to serve on the Committee on Ministry, nominations are being accepted now and there are churches looking for pastors.

Committee on Preparation for Ministry

MWS Elizabeth Brinegar, Moderator, reported that she has CRE applications, contact her for them. Her written report may be found in the Appendix, Section V.

Treasurer's Report-2026 Asking Budget

Interim General Presbyter Jim Poinsett reported that RE Tom Verdery, the treasurer, was out of the county and he was presenting the 2026 Asking Budget this year. The treasurer's written report may be found in the Appendix, Section VI.

Poinsett said that 2025 closed with a strong position. Income was above budget with better investment rates, property sales and lower spending. He said that church Mission Acceptance (Benevolence) that was contributed was below budget as it continues to decline. TPF ended the year really strong with a 15.4% increase over last year. The budget includes a 3% Cost Of Living Adjustment for the staff, salaries and expenses for the positions to be hired for a half year.

**Presbytery of Arkansas
2026 Asking Budget**

	2025 Budget	2026 Asking Budget
Revenues		
Mission Acceptance	413,500.00	400,000.00
Income from Investments	278,804.84	349,352.99
Simmons Bank Interest	20,000.00	15,000.00
Bank OZK CD Interest	0.00	5,000.00
Previous Year Pledges	4,000.00	0.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	5,000.00	5,000.00
Total Revenues	\$721,304.84	\$774,352.99
Expenses		
Coordinating Team	8,850.00	8,850.00
Administration	59,608.00	56,228.00
Ministry of the Church, COM & CPM	14,440.00	14,940.00
Youth Collegiate and Young Adult	66,000.00	66,000.00
Innovation & Incubation	35,000.00	35,000.00
Mission of the Church	70,150.00	71,150.00
Nominations	100.00	100.00
Representation	50.00	50.00
Presbytery Office	48,500.00	48,334.00
Staff Salaries	238,870.20	282,094.35
Payroll Taxes	9,159.92	9,434.72
Staff Pension/Medical	20,734.68	27,151.92
Staff Continuing Ed/Travel	35,500.00	42,200.00
General Assembly Per Capita	77,842.04	78,820.00
General Assembly Benevolence	20,750.00	19,500.00
Synod of the Sun Benevolence	15,750.00	14,500.00
Total Expenses	\$721,304.84	\$774,352.99
 Surplus / (Deficit)	 _____ - _____	 _____ - _____

He made a motion on behalf of the Committee on Administration to approve the 2026 Presbytery of Arkansas Asking Budget. Moderator Jane Webb asked for questions, there were none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Committee on Youth, Young Adult & College Ministry

Dr. Sarah Leer, Youth Developer, reported on the Confirmation Retreat that was held at Ferncliff, 2025 Montreat and the middle school retreat held at Marysville, TN. She mentioned that there were still a few spots for this year’s summer trips. She also reported on the 2025 Triennium Trip

to Louisville and Youth Quake that was held in the fall. The written report can be found in the Appendix, Section VII.

Mission of the Church Committee Report

Moderator CRE Peg Falls-Corbitt, reported that the next Mission Initiative grant cycle deadline is April 15 for 2026. She discussed other grant opportunities including the Mission Trip Scholarship Grant, and International Mission Grant. Her written report has the details on where to apply and can be found in the Appendix, Section VIII. She also reported on the Gary Gault Trust. The Presby House Challenge fund only needs \$4,000 more to complete that mission.

Sub-Committee Resource Team

CCE Kristi Button, Resource Team Co-Moderator, reported on the Resource Team and Faith Formation Grants they have available. The grants are typically \$500 grants for Christian education, Advent training, etc. The deadline is March 30. To apply, visit the presbytery's website, www.presbyark.org.

Moderator Webb moved the meeting to lunch at 12:06 and Rev. Blake Brinegar blessed the meal.

Business of the Presbytery Continues

Moderator Webb brought the meeting back to order and called for Minute Announcements.

Minute Announcements

Heather Henries- Benton, First reported that they will be celebrating 200 years May 17th.

Alice Kutz-Springdale, First reported the PW Coordinating team is gathering all women to attend the PW Gathering in Hot Springs, April 17-18. They have scholarships forms on the website.

Joy Carrington-Presbyterian Black Caucus will have a meeting April 3 at Faith Presbyterian in Pine Bluff.

Synod Partnership for Disaster Recovery

Libby Janes, Director of the Synod of the Sun Disaster Recovery, had a slide show for everyone and detailing some of her work. Rev. David Schaller, moderator of the Subcommittee on Disaster Preparedness for the presbytery, spoke on the subcommittee's work during last fall when SNAP benefits had been cut off and provided grants for food insecurity to churches.

Committee on Nominations Report

A written report for the committee is available in the Appendix, Section IX. Stated Clerk Rev. Blake Brinegar discussed the nomination for the Vice Moderator. He said the committee had a name but it was never officially approved. He **nominated Rev. Maggie Alsup to be the Vice Moderator for the presbytery. It was seconded. There was no discussion. The floor was opened up for nominations and there were none. There was a motion for the nominations to cease. Motion carried. Motion carried unanimously to name Rev. Maggie Alsup as the Vice Moderator.**

Celebration for Julie Price Retirement

Julie Price, Connector, is retiring after six years of service to the Presbytery of Arkansas. She was presented a service gift. Many members of the presbytery spoke on her fabulous work and her time well spent.

Closing Prayer and Adjournment

With no more business to be conducted before the presbytery, Moderator Webb offered the closing prayer at 1:43 pm. Written reports with no verbal report during the meeting are also included in the Appendix.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Palmer

Kimberly Palmer
Administrator

Blake Brinegar

Blake Brinegar
Stated Clerk

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Section I – Roster of Attendance/Enrollment

Voting as Ministers of Word and Sacrament

Ministers of Word and Sacrament – 26 in attendance

Alsup, Margaret	Humprey, Marion	Secrest, Alisa
Arnold, Susan	Kane, Ben	Seitz, Bill
Berger, Sara Anne	Kane, Jeffrey	Senor, Georgia
Blackburn, Phillip	Kim, Young Doo	Smith, Stewart
Brinegar, Blake	McMillan, Judith	Ulasewich, Michael
Brinegar, Elizabeth	Rees, Sharon	Vogado, Lindy
Carrington, Joy	Roper, Leslie	Wildwright, Grant
Freeman, Jim	Schaller, David	Wilhelmi, Jeremy
Harris, LaWanda	Schaller, Patty	

Excused Absences

Blackburn, Tasha	Lowry, Robert	Tropansky, Joseph
Brock, Brian	Mainard-O’Connell, Marie	Wildwright, Jocelyn
Hatcher, Chip	McGinnis, Shea	

Retired Ministers of Word and Sacrament – 4 in attendance

McCormack, Carl	Reed, Howard
Reed, David	Whitworth-Reed, Linda

Excused Absences

Akin, Karen	King, John	Richie, Dennis
Falls, Ruskin	Ratliff, Jim	Thurmond, Yvonne
Gill, David		

Temporary Members of the Presbytery – 1 in attendance (voting)

Poinsett, Jim

Total of 31 voting as Ministers of the Word and Sacrament were in attendance.

Voting as Ruling Elders

Ruling Elder Commissioners – 32 in attendance representing congregations

Batesville, First – Thomas, Janet	Fayetteville, First United – Gilbreath, Pam; Mann, Mary
Benton, First – Holden, Melissa	Forrest City, Graham Memorial – White, Christy
Bentonville, First – Jones, Audrey; Zoller, Janice	Harrison, First – Mills, Evelyn
Clarksville, First – Harbour, Ethan	Horseshoe Bend, Faith – Jackson, George
Conway, First – Jones-Davis, Gabby	Hot Springs, Westminster – Cole, Mary Lynn
Fairfield Bay, Kirk – Davis, James; Horner, Brian; Ostlund, Karen	

Hot Springs Village, Kirk – Hamilton, Ruth;
Hamilton, Dave
Huntsville, First – Precure, Ronna
Jacksonville, First – Finney, Karen
Jonesboro, First – Light, Craig
Little Rock, First – Hutchinson, Richard
Little Rock, Grace – Buckalew, Bruce
Little Rock, Pulaski Heights – McMillan, Allen
Little Rock, Second – Dunnagan, Steven
Mena, First – Ancell, Judy

Morrilton, First – Johnson, Miriam
Morrilton, Hopewell – Morris, Susan
North Little Rock, Parkhill – Mathis, Russell
Rogers, First – Webb, David
Russellville, Central – Massengale, Cheryl
Springdale, First – Mansell, Loretta; Shearman,
Stephen
Wynne – Dulin, Gwen
Yellville, First – Burns, Jennifer
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Ruling Elder Voting Members of Presbytery Council – 2 in attendance

Boggs, Tamara—Coordinating Team
Webb, Jane –Moderator

Excused Absence

Verdery, Tom--Treasurer

Certified Christian Educator

Button, Kristi

Commissioned Ruling Elders – 5 in attendance

Benson, Janet – Wynne
Clark, David—Heber Springs, First
Falls-Corbitt, Peg – Morrilton, First

Fischer, Mary Jane – Jacksonville, First
Olson, Charles – Atkins, Memorial

A total of 40 voting as Ruling Elders in attendance with 28 congregations represented.

Total Voting of 71 in attendance.

Non-Voting Attendees

Corresponding Member (non-voting) 2 in attendance

Janes, Libby
Pontier, Scott

Synod of the Sun
Ministry Architects

Members of the Presbytery Staff (non-voting) 3

Leer, Sarah

Palmer, Kimberly

Price, Julie

Visitors - 18 in attendance (non-voting)

Henries, Heather
Holden, Morgan
Gonzalez, Michaela
Prevost, Ronnie
Stewart, HK
Kutz, Alice
Daniels, Kerri
McKenzie, Katie
Davis, Mary
Corley, Betty
McCormack, Terry
Morrow, Bob
Morrow, Susan
Buckalew, Debbie
Schultz, Marylee
Arnold, Ruth
Gill, Joel
Jackson, Mary

Benton, First
Benton, First
Jonesboro, First
Fayetteville, First United
Little Rock, Westover Hills
Springdale, First
Vera Lloyd
Bentonville, First

Hot Springs Village, Kirk
Hot Springs Village, Kirk
Little Rock, Grace
Jacksonville, First
Ferncliff
Ferncliff
Horseshoe Bend

Total Non-Voting of 23 in attendance.

Total Attendance of 94 .

A total of 94 were in attendance, of whom 71 could vote and 23 who could not vote.

Section II – Stated Clerk Report

MWS Blake Brinegar
Stated Clerk

For Information:

1. Attended a Webinar with the Board of Pensions regarding changes to the plan.
2. Attended presbytery committee meetings.
3. Trained an Investigative Committee.
4. Addressed issues with three properties of the Presbytery.
5. Helped with Examinations for Candidates for Positions in our Presbytery.
6. Helped a congregation with questions about BOP and calling a pastor.
7. Helped several congregations with questions surrounding Terms of Call.
8. Worked with a congregation who was trying to discern their future.
9. Attended a workshop on Church Insurance presented by James Greene Insurance.
10. Attended the COM retreat held at Ferncliff in early December.
11. Met with a subcommittee of CT to make recommendations to the Coordinating Team about extending Jim Poinsett's contract.
12. Pre-presbytery meetings.
13. Met with the A-Team of the Presbytery to discuss what happens at presbytery meetings and why it is important to be involved in the meetings.
14. Gathered information for a PNC
15. Submitted the presbytery statistics.
16. Answered polity questions for several pastors.
17. Attested Personal Discernment Profiles (PDP) in the Church Leadership Connection (CLC)

Section II, Exhibit 1

Pastors who need to do Boundary Training

Alsup	Maggie		Lizarraga	Liz
Anderson	Barry		Lowry	Robert
Arnold	Susan		Mainard O'Connell	Marie
Benson	Janet		McCormack	Carl
Berger	Sara Anne		McDonald	Amanda
Blackburn	Tasha		McMillan	Judi
Brinegar	Blake		Olson	Chuck
Brinegar	Elizabeth		Powers	Emmett
Brock	Brian		Reed	David
Button	Kristi		Reeves	Leslie
Chan	Moises		Roper	Leslie
Clark	David		Secrest	Alisa
Danehower	Kim		Seitz	Bill
Davis	Fern		Smith	Stewart
Enke	Jan		Thomas	Isaac
Falls-Corbitt	Peg		Ulasewich	Mike
Flood	Katie		Wildwright	Jocelyn
Gray	Susan		Wilkinson	Ed
Harris	Don		Wilhelmi	Jeremy
Harris	LaWanda		Wooley	Dan
Kane	Ben			
King	John			
Kwak	Jai			

To take the safe gatherings training go to:

<https://safegatherings.com/app/get-started-clergy-course>

The cost for the course is \$29. Once you have completed the course please send a copy of your certificate of completion to the Stated Clerk, Blake Brinegar, revbrinegar@gmail.com

Section III

Report of the Coordinating Team

Moderator RE Dr. Jane Webb

For information:

1. Elected RE Janet Benson (Graham Memorial, Forrest City) to serve as Commissioner to General Assembly; and elected MWS Robert Lowry (Westover Hills, Little Rock) and MWS David Clark (Heber Springs) to serve as alternates.
2. Endorsed Candidate for Ministry Amanda McDonald (Dubuque Seminary) to serve as Theological Student Advisory Delegate at General Assembly.
3. Appointed a task force consisting of Roert Lowry, Judi McMillan, and Blake Brinegar to bring forth a recommendation to modify the size of Presbytery committees.
4. Extended the contract with Interim General Presbyter Jim Poinsett through June 30, 2026. See Exhibit 1.

Section III, Exhibit 1

Proposal for Final Contract Extension and Transition Support
Transitional General Presbyter: Presbytery of Arkansas
Approved by Coordinating Team: February 2, 2026

Thank you for the care and discernment you are bringing to this conversation. My goal is to provide a clear and reasonable path forward that maintains our current momentum, supports the search for permanent leadership, and ensures a healthy transition for the Presbytery.

The following points are offered as a working proposal for your consideration and refinement.

1. Final Contract Extension

Term: April 1, 2026, through June 30, 2026

This three-month extension would conclude on June 30, 2026. Setting a firm end date serves several purposes:

- It provides stability for the Presbytery during this phase of the search process.
- It avoids the challenges of an open-ended interim arrangement.
- It aligns with transitional ministry best practices by avoiding an indefinite interim period, which helps prepare the way for the next leader.

Notice Provision: *Consistent with our previous agreements, this extension includes a 30-day notice clause, allowing either party to conclude the contract prior to June 30 if necessary.*

2. Compensation Adjustment

Proposed Increase: \$3,500 total for the extension period

This adjustment reflects the high responsibility of this final phase and the commitment to remain fully available to the Presbytery of Arkansas during a period when I would otherwise be transitioning to new opportunities. This is a time-limited increase for the April through June period and does not set a permanent compensation baseline beyond the contract end date.

3. Post-Contract Benefits Coverage

Proposal: Board of Pensions medical and pension contributions for three months

In place of a traditional completion or transition bonus, I propose a continuation of benefits from July 1 through September 30, 2026.

- **Estimated Cost:** \$1,690 per month (approximately \$5,070 total).
- **Scope:** This coverage provides vocational stability during my transition and does not constitute an extension of employment.
- **Duration:** Any coverage beyond September 30 would require a separate, mutual agreement.

4. Transition Support (Post-June 30)

After my contract concludes, I am happy to provide limited and structured support from St. Louis to ensure a smooth handoff. This would be a separate, non-executive arrangement.

Potential Support Areas:

- Onboarding and consultative support for a newly called Executive Presbyter to assist with their integration into the Presbytery.
- Documenting and handing off ongoing projects and relationships.

Contract Extension Proposal 2

- Occasional consultation with the Coordinating Team or Stated Clerk via Zoom.

Structure:

- This work would be remote and consultative, without interim authority.
- Compensation would be at modest contractor rates with reimbursement for any requested travel.
- This ensures a "warm handoff" without creating long-term dependency on interim leadership.

5. Guiding Principles

This proposal is shaped by a commitment to the following values:

- **Clarity:** Providing a definitive endpoint to interim service.
- **Stewardship:** Ensuring costs are predictable and time-limited.
- **Urgency:** Encouraging the timely call of permanent leadership.
- **Care:** Supporting a responsible and healthy transition for all parties.

Closing

I am deeply grateful for the trust you have placed in me during this season. My hope is that this proposal serves as a constructive starting point for our shared discernment. I welcome your feedback and look forward to our continued conversation.

 03/05/2026
James K. Poinsett, Transitional General Presbyter

Blake Brinegar, Stated Clerk

Jane Webb, Moderator, Coordinating Team

Section IV
Report from Committee on Ministry
Moderator MWS Leslie Roper

For Information:

1. The committee appointed the following moderators for sessions:
 - a. MWS Dick Shinkle as moderator of the session at First, Yellville beginning February 1, 2026.
 - b. RE Sandra Puryear to moderate a session meeting at First, Jonesboro for the purpose of welcoming new members.
 - c. MWS Robert Lowry as moderator of the session at Pulaski Heights, Little Rock.
 - d. MWS Jim Poinsett as moderator of the session at Trinity, Little Rock.
 - e. MWS John Arnold as moderator of the session at Bella Vista.
 - f. RE Nancy Dean as moderator of the session at First, Van Buren.
2. The committee granted permission for CRE Kelly Pearson, CRE Alan Huddleston, and RE Ronnie Prevost to serve communion within the bounds of the Presbytery for the calendar year of 2026.
3. The committee granted permission for RE Mary Lee Schultz to serve communion at First, Jacksonville and for Ethan Harbor to preside at the table at First, Clarksville on February 1, 2026.
4. The committee approved the renewal of the following covenants:
 - a. Between Pea Ridge Presbyterian Church and Brian Timmons (See Exhibit 3 in report)
5. The committee approved updated eligibility criteria and application guidelines for the Toney D. McMillan Fund for Vocational Discernment (See Exhibit 4 in report)
6. The committee affirmed the dissolution of call between MWS Judi McMillan and Bella Vista Presbyterian Church.
7. The committee gave permission to form a Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) to First, Yellville.

Section IV, Exhibit 1

Statement of Faith-Rev. Sharon Rees

I believe in God - three persons, one substance, in a Trinitarian relationship.

I believe in God, the Father, who knew us before we were breathed into existence, formed and shaped us, and is still creating with each breath we take. I believe that God is beyond the bounds of our imagination, and yet describable in the simple word, "love." God is at once the caretaker of the universe, and the keeper of each living cell.

I believe in Jesus Christ, who walked among us – fully human, fully divine. Christ joined our culture; taught, healed, and preached where we gathered; took our sins upon himself; and nailed them to the cross. Through Christ's atonement and resurrection, we are united with God. I believe that the incarnation of Jesus Christ is the ultimate call to discipleship. If Christ, in his goodness, meets us where we are, we are compelled to follow. I believe that Jesus Christ will come again and gather us to himself in a new way, so that even bodily death will be no more.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, who renews us, guides us, comforts us, and challenges us. I believe that the Spirit spoke through the prophets, illumines us through the words of Scripture, and directs us on paths of truth and justice in the world today.

I believe that the Bible is the unique and authoritative Word of God. God's revelation in history is made known to us outwardly, through Scripture, and inwardly, through the working of the Holy Spirit. Scripture is foundational and formational. In Scripture, Christ is foretold and told. I believe that the Holy Scriptures, when viewed through God's rule of love, will not let us fail.

I believe that Christ gifted us with the sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper. Baptism is the sign and seal of our adoption as God's children, the cleansing of our old lives, the assurance of grace to move forward with new lives, and the bond of Christian community. The Lord's Supper is a sign and seal of Christ's self-giving. Through communion, we are called to remember and be thankful for God's work in creation. We are united with God's people past, present and future. We are united with the crucified and risen Lord, anticipating the feast we will share in the eternal kingdom of God. We are to receive these gifts with joy, reverence, pleasure, and awe.

I believe that we are simultaneously sinful, forgiven and freed. I believe that God calls us to repent of our sins, and then gives us the power to improve. When we are pulled in a worldly way, the written Word, the living Word and the preached Word redirect us. For God's grace alone justifies us through faith, and from redemption springs the freedom to work for the kingdom of God.

I believe that just as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are inextricably connected, we, as the body of Christ, are called to dwell together in love. We are mandated to care for each other and to spread the Gospel through word, thought, and action. The Church is the community of Christians through which we draw nourishment and can, in turn, feed others.

I believe that my salvation has opened a well deep within that will never run dry. I believe that out of that well comes the desire to worship and adore God, pray without ceasing, teach and proclaim the goodness of God, and lead others to drink.

Section IV, Exhibit 2
Statement of Faith
Rev. Jeffrey Kane, MDiv

God is the Creator and Sovereign of the universe.

God is the Lord of the Sabbath sharing the beauty and dominion with humanity.

God is the Redeemer who suffers the injustice and sinfulness of humanity, faithfully offering forgiveness and grace.

God came to us in Jesus, born to Joseph and Mary. The poor and wise worshipped Him.

Our Jesus walked among us, sharing our joy, fellowship and suffering. He shared God's love and invited us into God's Kingdom.

Jesus was divine, the Son of God who forgave enemies, healed the sick and welcomed everyone.

Jesus chose the cross to express God's gracious love and restore all creation to salvation.

God's reconciliation continues in the presence of the Holy Spirit. The breath of God is forever empowering all of us to become new creations in Christ.

The body of Christ is God's community of Word and Sacrament. The church exists for the worship of God and proclamation of the Word of God. In the waters of Baptism, we die and rise to new life in Christ Jesus. At the Lord's Supper, we receive the bread of grace and the cup of the new covenant. We boldly proclaim and witness to the Kingdom of God.

God's Word in the Old and New Testament are scripture for our life together in Christ.

We are blessed to be God's blessings and light to a hungry, hurting creation. The church is God's creative space for reconciliation and peace for everyone.

I believe in our Presbyterian Church USA, our creeds and celebrations. As a baptized, confirmed and ordained minister of the Word and Sacrament, (Teaching Elder), I proclaim God is alive and with us in Jesus Christ.

Alleluia. Thanks be to God!

Section IV, Exhibit 3
Report from Committee on Ministry

**TEMPORARY PULPIT SUPPLY AGREEMENT
BETWEEN MOUNT VERNON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
PEA RIDGE, ARKANSAS AND REV. BRIAN TIMMONS**

Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church, Pea Ridge, Arkansas enters into an agreement with Rev. Brian Timmons, a United Methodist minister, to become its Temporary Supply Pastor. He will devote up to nineteen hours per week fulfilling the following responsibilities:

1. Lead worship, preach, and administer the sacraments on Sundays and at other worship services scheduled by the Session.
2. Co-ordinate pastoral care with the Deacons and the Session.
3. Lead Bible studies and other study groups as approved by the Session.
4. Officiate at funerals if requested to do so.
5. Moderate meetings of the Session and the Congregation.
6. Other duties agreed upon by the Session and Rev. Timmons.

In return, Rev. Timmons will be compensated in the following manner:

1. Salary \$400.00 per month
2. Housing \$2,150.00 per month
3. Automobile Expense (Current IRS rate)
4. Funerals – an honorarium
5. Four (4) vacation days per year
6. Other compensation agreed to by the Session and Rev. Timmons for additional duties not listed above.

During the length of this agreement, Rev. Timmons will be accountable to the Session and the Presbytery through the Committee on Ministry.

This agreement is for a period of 12 months beginning January 1, 2026. Either party may terminate this agreement with a thirty day written notice to the other and the Committee on Ministry.

Temporary Supply Pastor _____	Date: _____
Clerk of Session _____	Date: _____
Committee on Ministry _____	Date: _____

Section IV, Exhibit 4

Toney D. McMillan Fund for Vocational Discernment

Adopted December 2, 2025, by Committee on Ministry

Purpose of the Fund

The Toney D. McMillan Fund for Vocational Discernment was established by the McMillan family in 2009 to assist ministers in the Presbytery of Arkansas in seasons of vocational discernment and in “navigating the troublesome times of ministry.” The fund supports clergy exploring new directions in ministry, pursuing bi-vocational skills, or discerning transitions into or out of congregational leadership.

The fund principal is held by the Texas Presbyterian Foundation. The Presbytery of Arkansas may distribute **earnings above the original gift** for eligible purposes.

Eligibility Criteria

To apply for a grant, an individual must:

1. **Be an active minister within the bounds of the Presbytery of Arkansas**, serving in one of the following roles:
 - Installed Teaching Elder
 - Transitional/Interim Pastor
 - Validated Minister (including chaplains and specialized ministry)
 - Commissioned Ruling Elder (CRE)
2. **Be currently engaged in ministry** (not available to honorably retired ministers, inactive ministers, or candidates).
3. **Demonstrate a vocational need aligned with the fund’s purpose**, such as:
 - Preparing for or undergoing a ministry transition
 - Exploring bi-vocational or non-traditional ministry pathways
 - Developing skills for work outside congregational ministry
 - Strengthening capacity for ministry during a challenging season
4. **Seek support for one or more of the following approved uses:**
 - Continuing education not covered by the congregation/employer
 - Certificate or licensure programs (e.g., real estate courses, Series 7 exam prep, coaching certifications)
 - CREDO expenses not paid by congregation or employer
 - Career-transition-related training or coursework
 - Professional-development retreats focused on vocational clarity or planning
 - Degree-granting academic programs in theology or ministry (e.g., M.Div., D.Min., M.A. in Theology) are not eligible; however, degree programs outside theology (e.g., MSW, MPA, MBA, JD, MPH) may be considered if aligned with the applicant’s vocational discernment or bi-vocational goals.
5. **Submit a request for an amount up to \$2,500**, with a limit of **one grant every five years**.
Grant amounts are contingent upon available fund balance and annual earnings as reported by the Texas Presbyterian Foundation.
6. **Agree to reimbursement-based disbursement:** funds will be paid after submission of receipts or invoices.

Ineligible Uses

To preserve donor intent and maintain clarity, the fund **does not** support:

- Degree-granting academic programs (M.Div., D.Min., M.A., etc.)

- Therapy, counseling, spiritual direction, or sabbatical planning
- Retreats without a clear vocational/professional focus
- Equipment purchases (computers, tools, etc.)
- Job-search travel or relocation expenses
- General continuing education already funded by the employer

Application Process

1. Rolling Submission:

Applications may be submitted at any time and will be considered at the next **regular meeting** of the Committee on Ministry (COM).

2. Application Materials Required:

- Brief narrative (1–2 pages) describing vocational context, purpose of the request, and anticipated impact
- Simple budget outlining total project/program cost
- Documentation (program brochure, estimate, syllabus, invoice, etc.)
- Statement of support from Session or supervisor, *if applicable*

All awards are dependent on the fund's current available earnings and balances as reported by the Texas Presbyterian Foundation.

3. Review & Decision-Making:

The Committee on Ministry will review applications, ensuring alignment with the fund purpose and available balance. Priority consideration will be given to pastors:

- in transition,
- pursuing bi-vocational pathways,
- or expanding into non-traditional ministry settings.

4. Reimbursement:

Upon approval, applicants may submit receipts or invoices for reimbursement up to the awarded amount.

Follow-Up & Accountability

Within 60 days of completing the funded activity, the recipient must submit a brief report to the Committee on Ministry that includes:

- Key insights or learnings
- Any vocational clarity gained
- Concrete action steps (if relevant) to be shared with Session, congregation, employer, or COM

This reflection ensures stewardship of the fund and encourages ongoing discernment.

Section V

Report of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry Moderator MWS Elizabeth Brinegar

The Committee on Preparation for Ministry met on Saturday, February 7th via zoom. The following actions were taken:

1. We approved a new final exam for those wishing to become Certified Ruling Elders.
2. We affirmed an elder's calling to engage in the CRE process.

Number of persons currently under care:

1. CRE: 8
2. MDiv: 6
3. Pipeline: 2

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Elizabeth Brinegar

Section VI
Report of the Treasurer
Calendar Year 2025 Review & 2026 Asking Budget Approval
RE Tom Verdery

For Information

1. The Presbytery of Arkansas calendar year 2025 income came in slightly above budget due to our Texas Presbyterian Foundation (TPF) investment income (4% spend rate) ahead of projections based upon a 36-month rolling average (+\$2,958) and bank CD interest on the sale of church property. Expenses for 2025 were below budget due to savings in Administration (\$14,334) and lower than expected staff expenses (\$12,614) with reduced spending from most of our committees (+49,206). We continue to be grateful for all Church Mission Acceptance contributions to the Presbytery of Arkansas (results were -1.2% versus budget and -7.2% versus 2024).
2. 2025 was a positive year in the financial markets, including Texas Presbyterian Foundation performance in their Balanced Pooled Funds up 15.4%. Your Presbytery of Arkansas is in a strong cash flow position with significant funds in money market and checking accounts, eliminating the need to take significant withdrawals from the Balanced Pooled funds invested in stocks and fixed income this year.
3. We completed our 2024 independent Financial Audit from Landmark CPA in mid-2025. The accounting firm's review came back with a solid review showing no discrepancies or recommendations for modification of any of our financial statements. Our 2025 independent Financial Review is scheduled for 3/31 – 4/7/2026.
4. Our continued focus for 2026 and beyond will be creating programs and support to aid all churches and organizations associated with our Presbytery. In addition, we are focused on supporting financially all the staff roles approved by the Presbytery from the Mission Architects strategic Plan (Approved in 2025).

Key points from the 2026 Budget include:

- A. Keeping committee expenses the same overall as 2025.
- B. Increasing staff expenses based upon full year GP/EP and half year Director of Operations.
- C. 3% Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) for all current staff in place (does not include interim positions).
- D. To fund this budget, we will need to exceed our investment spend rate from 4% to as high as 5% in 2026 (All Texas Presbyterian Investment Holdings current 10 year average is +8.8% per year). This has already been approved/supported by the Coordinating Team.

Section VII

Report from Youth, Young Adult, and College Ministry

MWS Margaret Alsup

Moderator

Since our October meeting, we have a few updates to share in the life of the Presbytery's youth and young adult ministries.

College Ministry Updates: A group of 20 college students and three adult leaders from around the presbytery attended the Montreat College Conference this year. We spent time singing, listening to inspiring keynotes, attending engaging workshops, and worshipping together. Our group made new connections and by end of the first leg of our bus ride, new friendships were emerging. Ruth Arnold, Ferncliff's Camp Director, led a workshop and joined us for the bus ride! Thank you to Rev. Maggie Alsup, Rev. Jeremy Wilhelmi, and Dr. Sarah Leer for their leadership with our college crew. It was a wonderful event! We are grateful for the presbytery's support, which keeps this trip accessible.

Youth and Child Protection Policy Update: For over a year, we have been working on a draft of an updated youth and child protection policy. We have incorporated feedback from members of the Presbytery as well as incorporating guidance we received from legal counsel. The Coordinating Team of the Presbytery has also provided feedback. In the meantime, we have strengthened our training process with adult leaders around the Presbytery. We added boundary training (the same boundary training Teaching Elders have undertaken) to the protocol for our summer trip leaders. In partnership with Ferncliff, we also added a mandatory training for all adult leaders at YouthQuake 2025. We feel confident that we will have a revised policy draft to share at our June meeting.

Multi-Presbytery Confirmation Retreat Recap: The Presbytery of Arkansas and Presbytery of the Pines joined forces for a multi-Presbytery Confirmation Retreat at Ferncliff, February 12-14, 2026. We were able to offer this retreat free of charge because of a continued ministry partnership with Ferncliff. Eight youth from five different congregations (this time spanning both the Pines and Arkansas Presbyteries!) gathered for a weekend of theology, games, big questions, prayer, communal meals, and lots of snacks. We are grateful for this partnership and look forward to joining together with the Pines in the future!

Upcoming Summer trips: We will head to Montreat Youth Conference June 13-20, 2026 and out to Montreat Middle School Conference July 15-19, 2026.

One more youth ministry plug:

Save the Date for YouthQuake 2026 — September 18-20, 2026 @ Ferncliff

Section VIII

Report of the Committee on the Mission of the Church CRE Peg Falls Corbitt

2026 Membership

2026: Peg Falls-Corbitt (moderator); LaWanda Harris; Leigh Woodruff

2027: Carla Taylor, Lindy Vogado, David Gill

2028: Neely Carter, Mary Jane Fisher, Allison Richardson

Presbytery Staff Support: Kim Palmer

Mission Initiative Grants

Please note that the application form for these grants has been revised and is included in the next few pages of your packet. Please refer to these for information on the purpose of the grant, the standard amount of awards, and how to apply. Grants are acted on three times a year or as long as funds remain. The three deadlines are: April 15th, July 15th, and October 15th.

Recipients of Mission Initiative Grants in 2025 were to the following churches in partial support of the mission projects listed:

First, Alma	Blessing Box ministry
First, Bentonville	Turkeys for Thanksgiving Boxes for food insecure
First, Dardenelle	Food Pantry support in partnership with ARVAC
Mt. Comfort Pres.	“Nourishment Ministry” (Community Garden)
Wynne Pres.	Little Sheep Day School
AR Black Caucus	Summit 2025 (a program to mentor Black students)
First, Jonesboro	Soul Shop (Suicide prevention workshop)
McGehee	Backpack Snack Program
First, Rogers	Covering cost of GED exams for ESL students
Central, Pine Bluff	Weekend Backpack program
First, Jacksonville	Snack and hygiene bags for those unsheltered
Queer Collective	Security for Nativity program

International Mission Initiative Grants

There is presently no application form for these grants. Please contact committee moderator Peg Falls-Corbitt (fallscorbitt@hendrix.edu) if you wish to apply or want more information. From this budget line item, in 2025 \$1500 was awarded to Leigh Woodruff for Honduras Mission Trip to cover emergency or construction costs.

Mission Trip Scholarship Grants

A new application form for these grants may be found in your packet. Applications will be acted on as they come in, following the cycle set for Mission Initiative grants (see above) In 2025, two participants on the Honduras Mission Trip received grants of \$500 each through their churches.

Distribution of Presbytery or PCUSA Offerings

The MOTC oversees distribution of funds that accumulated from mission offerings through Presbytery or PCUSA offerings. At the end of 2025, awards of \$2,000 each were made as follows:

Centsability Offering	Stewpot
Peacemaking Offering	For programs assisting women and children across the Presbytery:

First, Jonesboro
First, Benton
First United Fayetteville

NEA Family Crisis Center
Safe Haven
Peace at Home

Gary Gault Trust.

The Mission of the Church Committee is charged by the Presbytery with proceeds from this trust, which are to be used on the behalf of the poor and needy. In 2025, the Mission Committee worked with the bank to make a \$50,000 gift to Providence Park for a tiny house to be built in his name as well as \$25,000 toward a second house to be called "Presby House." We have now raised \$21,000 toward that \$25,000 match and are inviting our churches to help us complete the challenge. If you would like to know more and get involved, contact David Gill via dgill@ferncliff.org

Other Funding Built into the MOTC Budget

Presbytery Resource Center funding is in MOTC budget and is reported on in a separate document. Other agencies receiving support through the MOTC budget are: Ferncliff, Stewpot, the Presbyterian Pilgrimage, Presbyterian Women Retreat travel, the Presbyterian Village, both Lyon College and University of the Ozarks, and Presbytery Educational Ministry Resourcing.

Distribution of Remaining 2025 Funds

From unspent funds in its budget as of its December meeting, the MOTC awarded just over \$5000 to First Presbyterian Church to be given Cradle Care, a childcare program it houses for infants of teen parents.

Presbytery of Arkansas & The Mission of the Church Committee

Links and QR Codes for Grant Applications

Visit the Presbytery's Website [Click Here for Mission of the Church](#)

Mission Initiative Grants



[Click Here for Mission Initiative Grant Application](#)

Mission Trip Scholarships



[Click Here for Mission Trip Scholarship Application](#)

Section IX
Presbytery of Arkansas
Committee on Nominations
Moderator MWS Robert Lowry

Report to the Presbytery March 2026

227th General Assembly

Both elected commissioners for the 227th General Assembly are unable to attend. One alternate commissioner was elected in 2024 and one additional MWS commissioner will need to be elected. The committee has contacted two potential nominees. Once the availability of an alternate is confirmed, the Coordinating Team will act on behalf of the presbytery to elect the second MWS commissioner who will attend with our Ruling Elder commissioners and MWS Robert Lowry who was elected as alternate for this General Assembly.

2026 Nominations Season

The Committee on Nominations will soon begin our work for the class of 2029 on presbytery committees and ministries. We are also tasked with filling vacancies due to resignation or committee members moving out of the presbytery. The committee counts on nominations from across the presbytery to help fill positions and ensure diverse effective representation among the 42 vacancies to be filled.

Nominations may be made by visiting the web address below or scanning the QR code at the bottom of this report. If you prefer, you may email nominations to committee chair MWS Robert Lowry at robert@WHPCLR.org and copy Kim Palmer in the presbytery office at kim@presbyark.org. The nominations form indicates which committees require ordination as a MWS or Ruling Elder for service. Those committees are denoted with an asterisk in the list below. The committee especially encourages the nomination of young (21-35) and middle (36-50) adults, candidates of color, first time nominees, and members of the LGBTQIA+ community.

The following positions are open for nominations:

- Committee on Administration- (2) Class of 2029
- *Committee on Ministry- (6) Class of 2029
- *Committee on Preparation for Ministry- (2) Class of 2029
- Committee on Representation- (2) Class of 2027 (2) Class of 2028 (2) Class of 2029
- Mission of the Church- (1) Class of 2027 (3) Class of 2029
- Innovation and Incubation- (1) Class of 2027 (1) Class of 2028 (3) Class of 2029
- Youth, Young Adults, and Campus- (2) Class of 2027 (2) Class of 2028 (2) Class of 2029
- *Permanent Judicial Commission- (2) Class of 2027 (2) Class of 2029
- University of the Ozarks Grant Coordination- (3) Class of 2029
- *Coordinating Team at-large- (2) Class of 2027 (2) Class of 2029

Online Nominations form:

<https://form.jotform.com/260336902282050>



Section X Financial Statements

THE PRESBYTERY OF ARKANSAS

Balance Sheet
December 31, 2025

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Bank OZK CD	255,578.57	
Simmons Operating Account	236,000.02	
Simmons Restricted Accounts	677,052.67	
TPF Investments	6,159,535.88	
56150 Fin Req Investment Fund	1,118,551.24	
TPF Mark to Market 52190	1,316,018.50	
N/R Churches	43,745.00	
N/R Ministers	6,000.00	
Prepaid Expenses	2,985.00	
Total Current Assets		9,815,466.88
Property and Equipment		
Furniture & Fixtures	68,609.89	
Land	128,571.00	
Buildings	611,516.12	
	808,697.01	
Accumulated Depreciation	(331,498.31)	
Net Property and Equipment		10,292,665.58
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 10,292,665.58

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

Current Liabilities		
Payroll & Other Withholdings	0.00	
Total Current Liabilities		0.00
Fund Balance		
Equity Beginning Balance	\$ 4,343,422.31	
Fund Balance	4,304,169.16	
Unrealized Gains/Losses	1,750,916.35	
Net Income	(105,842.24)	
Total Fund Balance		10,292,665.58
TOTAL LIABILITIES & CAPITAL		\$ 10,292,665.58

Unaudited - For Management Purposes Only

The Presbytery of Arkansas					
Mission Acceptance as of December 31, 2025					
LOCATION	2021 Mission Acceptance	2022 Mission Acceptance	2023 Mission Acceptance	2024 Mission Acceptance	2025 Mission Acceptance
Alma	-	-	-	-	-
Amity	-	-	-	-	-
Arkadelphia, First	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.01	1,500.00
Arkadelphia, West End	1,110.00	1,110.00	1,110.00	1,200.00	1,315.25
Atkins	-	-	150.00	-	-
Batesville	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Beebe	1,200.00	900.00	900.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Bella Vista	20,000.00	20,000.44	11,250.00	1,963.10	1,736.10
Benton	8,600.00	9,000.00	6,300.00	4,500.00	6,000.00
Bentonville, First	33,500.00	32,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Bentonville, Vaughn	-	-	-	-	-
Bull Shoals	50.00	116.74	116.74	127.40	120.00
Cane Hill	-	-	-	-	-
Clarksville, First	-	-	-	-	-
Clarksville, Harmony	-	-	-	-	-
Conway	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
Dardanelle	5,500.00	3,500.00	3,000.00	-	4,000.00
Elkins	1,000.00	1,000.00	500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fairfield Bay	350.00	350.00	350.00	350.00	350.00
Fayetteville, First United	41,000.00	41,000.00	41,000.00	41,000.00	41,700.04
Fayetteville, Mt. Comfort	1,660.00	900.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	-
Forrest City	9,000.00	8,250.00	9,625.00	7,500.00	10,751.66
Ft. Smith, Central	16,000.00	16,000.00	-	125.00	-
Ft. Smith, First	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Greenwood	-	1,000.00	-	-	-
Gurdon	-	-	-	-	-
Hardy	-	-	-	-	-
Harrison	-	-	-	-	-
Heber Springs	950.00	-	450.00	-	-
Helena	-	-	-	-	-
Holiday Island	6,200.00	6,200.00	6,200.00	6,200.00	7,425.00
Holly Grove	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Horseshoe Bend	2,290.00	2,300.00	1,600.00	1,300.00	1,700.00
HSV, Kirk	27,270.00	27,270.00	22,000.44	22,000.00	10,561.50
H. Springs, First	20,013.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	16,000.00
H. Springs, Westminster	8,012.04	8,012.04	8,212.04	8,012.04	8,012.04
Huntsville	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,200.00	2,400.00	1,200.00
Jacksonville	3,250.00	3,000.00	3,224.95	3,605.00	2,600.00
Jonesboro	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	8,050.00

The Presbytery of Arkansas					
Mission Acceptance as of December 31, 2025					
LOCATION	2021 Mission Acceptance	2022 Mission Acceptance	2023 Mission Acceptance	2024 Mission Acceptance	2025 Mission Acceptance
LR, Allison	-	-	-	-	-
LR, First	-	-	-	-	-
LR, Grace	7,900.00	7,900.00	3,900.00	3,500.00	5,375.63
LR, Pulaski Heights	3,636.00	3,618.00	3,606.00	3,628.00	2,100.00
Little Rock, Second	200,000.00	200,000.00	190,000.00	190,000.00	170,000.00
LR, Trinity	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	7,999.99	8,000.00
LR, Westover Hills	7,500.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	-
Malvern	5,241.72	5,241.60	-	-	-
McGehee	2,520.00	2,520.00	2,520.00	2,520.00	2,310.00
Mena	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,500.00	4,125.00	7,375.00
Morrilton, First	1,200.00	1,100.00	1,300.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Morrilton, Hopewell	-	-	-	-	428.40
Mountain Home	750.00	500.00	-	1,187.96	-
Mountainburg	-	-	-	-	-
Newport	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,700.00
Noman	-	-	-	-	-
NLR, Park Hill	16,000.00	13,000.00	8,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Paragould, First	-	-	-	-	-
Pea Ridge	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,412.56
Pine Bluff, Central	-	115.80	-	-	-
Pine Bluff, Faith	-	-	-	-	-
Pine Bluff, First	4,583.26	6,996.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Prairie Grove	6,960.00	4,730.00	6,022.00	1,959.00	1,200.00
Rogers	6,999.96	7,000.01	7,611.96	6,999.96	6,416.67
Russellville	-	-	-	-	-
Searcy	-	-	2,000.00	-	-
Springdale	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
Van Buren	-	-	-	-	-
Walnut Ridge	-	-	7,350.48	-	-
Wynne	7,500.00	9,999.96	5,000.00	3,750.00	5,000.00
Yellville	6,000.00	6,000.00	3,000.00	6,000.00	-
TOTAL	562,345.98	551,730.59	480,949.61	440,551.46	410,739.85

THE PRESBYTERY OF ARKANSAS

Operating Income Statement

For the Twelve Months Ending December 31, 2025

		Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	Over/(Under) Budget	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget	2025 Budget	Over/(Under) Budget
6000-01	Mission Acceptance	220,603.24	208,625.00	11,978.24	410,739.85	413,500.00	413,500.00	(2,760.15)
6015-00-1-000	TPF Investment Spend Rate	23,508.22	23,233.74	274.48	281,762.85	278,804.84	278,804.84	2,958.01
6015-01-1-000	Simmons Bank Interest	1,205.54	1,666.67	(461.13)	21,650.89	20,000.00	20,000.00	1,650.89
6015-01-2-000	Bank OZK CD Interest	5,578.57	-	-	5,578.57	-	-	-
6000-01-1-101	Previous Years Pledges	-	-	-	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	-
6001-00-1-000	Miscellaneous Revenue	835.67	416.67	419.00	5,247.62	5,000.00	5,000.00	247.62
	Total Revenues	251,731.24	233,942.08	12,210.59	728,979.78	721,304.84	721,304.84	2,096.37
	Expenses							
7000-01-1-000	Coordinating Team--Meeting Exp, Meals, Worship	591.75	100.00	491.75	1,105.95	1,200.00	1,200.00	(94.05)
7000-06-1-000	Coordinating Team--Gifts	-	4.17	(4.17)	126.22	50.00	50.00	76.22
7000-09-1-000	Coordinating Team--Moderator's Expense	-	37.50	(37.50)	-	450.00	450.00	(450.00)
7000-10-1-000	Coordinating Team--Vice moderator's Expense	-	95.83	(95.83)	-	1,150.00	1,150.00	(1,150.00)
	Coordinating Team--General Presbyter Search Committee Exp	-	333.33	(333.33)	752.30	4,000.00	4,000.00	(3,247.70)
7000-20-1-000	Coordinating Team--Presbytery Workshop/Speaker	-	125.00	(125.00)	962.27	1,500.00	1,500.00	(537.73)
7000-31-1-000	Coordinating Team--Background Checks	20.00	41.67		204.00	500.00	500.00	(296.00)
		611.75	737.50	(104.08)	3,150.74	8,850.00	8,850.00	(5,699.26)
7100-01-1-000	Administration--Meeting Expense, Financial Review	-	948.33	(948.33)	11,580.11	11,380.00	11,380.00	200.11
7100-05-1-000	Administration--Femcliff General Site Support	-	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	24,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00	-
7500-21-1-000	West End Operation Support	3,375.00	1,125.00	2,250.00	13,500.00	13,500.00	13,500.00	-
7500-53-1-000	Laotian Ministry support	900.00	300.00	600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	-
7500-98-1-000	Faith Presbyterian Operation Support	1,782.00	594.00	1,188.00	7,128.00	7,128.00	7,128.00	-
		6,057.00	4,967.33	1,089.67	59,808.11	59,608.00	59,608.00	200.11
7700-01-1-000	Committee on Ministry--travel,food,meeting support	2,030.40	166.67	1,863.73	2,335.31	2,000.00	2,000.00	335.31
8000-01-1-000	Committee on Preparation for Ministry--Meeting Expenses, etc.	-	41.67	(41.67)	-	500.00	500.00	(500.00)
8000-09-1-000	Committee on Preparation for Ministry--Eval, Retreat, Support, Bkg Checks	-	125.00	(125.00)	1,700.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	200.00
8400-08-1-000	Committee on Ministry--Wellspring Contract	-	870.00	(870.00)	10,320.00	10,440.00	10,440.00	(120.00)
		2,030.40	1,203.34	827.06	14,355.31	14,440.00	14,440.00	(84.69)
7300-29-1-000	Youth, Collegiate, and Young Adults--Campus Ministry/Program Support	2,356.66	2,666.67	(310.01)	30,129.92	32,000.00	32,000.00	(1,870.08)
7300-71-1-000	Youth, Collegiate, and Young Adults--YAT--Planning Retreats & Materials	-	125.00	(125.00)	869.27	1,500.00	1,500.00	(630.73)
7300-73-1-000	Youth, Collegiate, and Young Adults--YAT Scholarships	-	41.67	(41.67)	-	500.00	500.00	(500.00)
7300-74-1-000	Youth, Collegiate, and Young Adults--YAT Denomination Trips	-	83.33	(83.33)	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	-
7300-75-1-000	Youth, Collegiate, and Young Adults--YAT--Youth @ Presbytery	-	41.67	(41.67)	-	500.00	500.00	(500.00)
7300-76-1-000	Youth, Collegiate, and Young Adults--YAT YouthQuake	3,880.00	750.00	3,130.00	15,037.43	9,000.00	9,000.00	6,037.43
7300-78-1-000	Youth, Collegiate, and Young Adults--YAT Montreat	-	458.33	(458.33)	5,650.46	5,500.00	5,500.00	150.46
7300-79-1-000	Youth, Collegiate, and Young Adults--YAT--JR High Summer Trip	-	250.00	(250.00)	2,299.96	3,000.00	3,000.00	(700.04)

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7300-80-1-000	Youth, Collegiate, and Young Adults--YAT--Matthew 25 Account	-	41.67	(41.67)	(194.28)	500.00	500.00	(694.28)
7300-84-1-000	Youth, Collegiate, and Young Adults--Young Adult Ministries	-	166.67	(166.67)	-	2,000.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)
7300-86-1-000	Youth, Collegiate, and Young Adults--YAT--Leadership Admin	-	41.67	(41.67)	73.00	500.00	500.00	(427.00)
7300-99-1-000	Youth, Collegiate, and Young Adults--Campus Ministry-Special Event Support	-	833.33	(833.33)	6,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	(4,000.00)
		6,236.66	5,500.01	736.65	60,865.76	66,000.00	66,000.00	(5,134.24)
7500-01-1-000	Innovation & Incubation--Admin., Listening	-	83.33	(83.33)	-	1,000.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)
7500-25-1-000	Innovation & Incubation--Presbytery Technology Needs	-	625.00	(625.00)	-	7,500.00	7,500.00	(7,500.00)
7500-51-1-000	Innovation & Incubation--New Ministries' Development	725.00	2,208.33	(1,483.33)	725.00	26,500.00	26,500.00	(25,775.00)
		725.00	2,916.66	(2,191.66)	725.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	(34,275.00)
7300-01-1-000	Christian Education--Education Events	943.69	200.00	743.69	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	-
7300-21-1-000	Christian Education--Femcliff. Prog/Supt. Summer Camp	-	1,916.67	(1,916.67)	23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	-
7300-24-1-000	Mission of the Church--Femcliff--Block Grant	-	416.67	(416.67)	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	-
7300-30-1-000	Christian Education--Presbyterian Pilgrimage	-	166.67	(166.67)	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	-
7300-91-1-000	Christian Education--Ministry Resourcing	-	333.33	(333.33)	4,133.63	4,000.00	4,000.00	133.63
7600-03-1-000	Mission of the Church--Scholarship for Mission Trip	-	83.33	(83.33)	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	-
7600-05-1-000	Mission of the Church--International Mission Initiative	500.00	166.67	333.33	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	-
7600-42-1-000	Mission of the Church--Stewpot	187.50	62.50	125.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	-
7600-44-1-000	Mission of the Church--Lyon College	250.00	83.33	166.67	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	-
7600-45-1-000	Mission of the Church--Presbyterian Village Support	125.00	41.67	83.33	500.00	500.00	500.00	-
7600-49-1-000	Mission of the Church--University of Ozarks	250.00	83.33	166.67	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	-
7600-51-1-000	Mission of the Church--Vera Lloyd Mission	625.00	208.33	416.67	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	-
7600-62-1-000	Mission of the Church--Mission Initiative Grants	1,909.77	1,666.67	243.10	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	-
7600-96-1-000	Mission of the Church--Solar Under the Sun	250.00	83.33	166.67	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	-
8300-01-1-000	Mission of the Church--PW Exp., travel, postage, etc.	240.44	33.33	207.11	311.06	400.00	400.00	(88.94)
8300-07-1-000	Mission of the Church--PW--Spring & Fall Retreats, Synod Gathering	659.47	291.67	367.80	1,920.34	3,500.00	3,500.00	(1,579.66)
9400-01-1-000	Mission of the Church--Disaster Preparedness	-	8.33	(8.33)	50.00	100.00	100.00	(50.00)
		5,940.87	5,845.83	95.04	68,565.03	70,150.00	70,150.00	(1,584.97)
7800-01-1-000	Nominations--travel, food	-	8.33	(8.33)	-	100.00	100.00	(100.00)
8100-01-1-000	Representation--Meeting Expenses	-	4.17	(4.17)	-	50.00	50.00	(50.00)

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8400-01-1-000	POA/Supplies & Office Exp.	67.76	125.00	(57.24)	1,486.46	1,500.00	1,500.00	(13.54)
8400-02-1-000	Utilities/Telephone	1,172.93	833.33	339.60	8,545.67	10,000.00	10,000.00	(1,454.33)
8400-03-1-000	Copy Machine	45.30	41.67	3.63	526.08	500.00	500.00	26.08
8400-05-1-000	Technology	717.80	1,333.33	(615.53)	11,645.45	16,000.00	16,000.00	(4,354.55)
8400-07-1-000	Replace Equipment	-	83.33	(83.33)	-	1,000.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)
8400-09-1-000	Insurance	-	808.33	(808.33)	3,562.91	9,700.00	9,700.00	(6,137.09)
8400-10-1-000	Miscellaneous Expenses	-	25.00	(25.00)	-	300.00	300.00	(300.00)
8400-12-1-000	Maintenance(Grounds, Building Upkeep)	1,332.24	791.67	540.57	8,399.13	9,500.00	9,500.00	(1,100.87)
		3,336.03	4,041.66	(705.63)	34,165.70	48,500.00	48,500.00	(14,334.30)
8400-11-1-000	General Presbyter Moving Expenses	-	583.33	(583.33)	-	7,000.00	7,000.00	(7,000.00)
8400-13-1-000	Stated Clerk Professional Exp	169.40	250.00	(80.60)	1,915.45	3,000.00	3,000.00	(1,084.55)
8400-22-1-000	Administrator/Professional Exp	81.90	83.33	(1.43)	982.61	1,000.00	1,000.00	(17.39)
8400-26-1-000	Interim GP Professional Exp	2,304.57	1,250.00	1,054.57	17,919.39	15,000.00	15,000.00	2,919.39
8400-29-1-000	Salaries	16,328.34	16,678.18	(349.84)	196,989.64	200,138.20	200,138.20	(3,148.56)
8400-30-1-000	Pension/Major Medical	1,727.89	1,727.89	-	20,734.68	20,734.68	20,734.68	-
8400-32-1-000	Interim GP Continuing Ed	1,500.00	125.00	1,375.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	-
8400-33-1-000	Payroll Taxes	741.10	763.33	(22.23)	8,959.88	9,159.92	9,159.92	(200.04)
8400-35-1-000	Interim GP Housing	2,966.67	2,666.67	300.00	33,200.04	32,000.00	32,000.00	1,200.04
8400-39-1-000	Interim GP FICA	561.00	561.00	-	6,732.00	6,732.00	6,732.00	-
8400-41-1-000	Connector Professional Expenses	337.40	416.67	(79.27)	1,239.46	5,000.00	5,000.00	(3,760.54)
8400-49-1-000	Youth Developer Professional Expenses	-	250.00	(250.00)	1,477.60	3,000.00	3,000.00	(1,522.40)
		26,718.27	25,355.40	1,362.87	291,650.75	297,264.80	304,264.80	(12,614.05)
8600-01-1-000	General Assembly	10,300.28	1,729.17	8,571.11	18,272.53	20,750.00	20,750.00	(2,477.47)
8700-01-1-000	GA Per Capita	6,486.80	6,486.84	(0.04)	77,842.04	77,842.04	77,842.04	-
8800-01-1-000	Synod Mission	7,777.75	1,312.50	6,465.25	15,750.00	15,750.00	15,750.00	-
		24,564.83	9,528.51	15,036.32	111,864.57	114,342.04	114,342.04	(2,477.47)
	Total Expenses	76,220.81	60,108.74	16,133.74	645,150.97	721,304.84	721,304.84	(76,153.87)
	Net Income	\$ 175,510.43	\$ 173,833.34	\$ (3,923.15)	\$ 83,828.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 78,250.24