

**Meeting Packet  
for the 500<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting  
of the Presbytery of Des Moines**



**June 6, 2015**

**Hosted by  
Collegiate Presbyterian Church  
Ames, Iowa**



**A-4 – CONGREGATIONAL TRANSITION TASK FORCE REPORT****ADDENDUM****June 6, 2015**

The Task force reports taking the following action:

A-4-A-42 Examined and approved TE Eric Pasanchin to serve as pastor of the Ankeny Presbyterian Church, effective June 13, 2015 with the following terms:

Cash Salary and Housing	\$76,000.00
Dental Insurance	TBD
Auto Allowance	\$1,000.00 (at IRS Rate)
Continuing Education Allowance	\$1,500.00
Professional Expense Reimbursement	\$1,500.00
Paid Vacation	4 Weeks
Study Leave	2 Weeks (Cumulative up to 2 weeks)
Moving Expenses	
Full Pension, Medical Death and Disability Dues	

A-4-A43 Examined and approved TE Wallace Bubar to serve as pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church, Des Moines, effective August 10, 2015 with the following terms:

Cash Salary	\$50,000.00
Housing Allowance	\$40,000.00
Auto Allowance	\$1,000.00 (at IRS Rate)
Continuing Education Allowance	\$2,000.00
Study Leave	2 Weeks
Vacation	1 Month Annually (5 Sundays)
Expense Account	\$2,000.00
SECA Reimbursement	\$6,885.00
Sabbatical	3 Months after six years
Moving Expenses	\$5,200.00
Full Pension, Major Medical, Death and Disability Dues	

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joyce Rash, moderator

**D – BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT****Presbytery of Des Moines****2015 Income Report  
1<sup>st</sup> Quarter - as of March 31, 2015****CORRECTION**

	2015 Budget	2015 Actual
<b>Income</b>		
Total Per Capita (@ \$40.00)	\$273,360.00	\$150,494.74
Past Year's Per Capita	\$0.00	\$0.00
Presbytery General Mission	\$84,345.73	\$24,938.50
Synod Support Staff Salaries	\$23,000.00	\$5,625.00
Hunger Action Enabler Income	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Montezuma Funds	\$23,223.95	\$0.00
Knox United Funds – Contract Income	\$125,071.48	\$0.00
Camping Interest Available	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
Interest Income	\$150.00	\$21.76
Miscellaneous Income	\$1,000.00	\$203.80
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$543,151.16</b>	<b>\$184,283.80</b>
<b>2015 Expenses</b>		
	<b>\$543,151.16</b>	<b>\$187,722.39</b>
<b>Surplus(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>(\$3,438.59)</b>

## T – OLDER ADULT MINISTRIES TASK FORCE REPORT

June 6, 2015

The Older Adult Ministry Task Force (OAM) works to lift up the ministries of Older Adults as they serve the Lord in their home churches. Although we allow church members to self-define what older is, most seniors recognized by OAM and their churches range from 60 to whatever. Our Older Adults do every-thing from church secretary to church maintenance, finances to construction, gardens to paraments.

The Task Force presents the following items of information to the Presbytery:

T-I-1 Through *Faithful Through the Years*, OAM recognizes individuals as well as couples. This year we will recognize one individual and/or one couple per church. Churches fill out surveys about their individual and/or couple, submit them as an action of their Session, include a photo, and these individuals are recognized at the November Presbytery meeting. The honorees receive recognition before Presbytery, a gift from OAM, and lunch at the Presbytery meeting. Their photographs and write-ups are projected on a screen at Presbytery, and stored afterwards in the three-ring OAM binder. Members of their families and church may attend, but they must pay for their own lunch. We appreciate reservations be made in advance to Betty Dyer in the Presbytery of Des Moines office as a courtesy to the hosting church.



### 2014 *Faithful Through the Years* Honorees

**Front row:** Norma Jean Lister (Dallas Center, First); Lodema Stewart (Des Moines, Highland Park); Dorothy Kopaska (Dexter, First); Donna Vaughan (Winterset, First United); Lois Van Ness (Ottumwa, Westminster); and Martha Smith (Ottumwa, East End).

**Back row:** Rev. Marcy Campbell (Older Adult Ministries Task Force moderator); John Anderson (Indianola, Trinity United); Jim Mace (Perry, First); Elsie Mace (Perry, First); Earnie Kopaska (Dexter, First); Connie Kinser (Winterset, First United); Donna Van Mersbergen (Oskaloosa, First); Ken Van Mersbergen (Oskaloosa, First); Rev. Jane Martinez (Older Adult Ministries Task Force member).

**Not pictured (unable to attend):** Joan Tyler (Newton, First) and Mary Pettigrew Stoltz (Ottumwa, First).

T-I-2     ***Health and Wellness Challenge*** - A recent addition to OAM is the promotion of healthy eating and lifestyles. OAM promotes healthy eating by sponsoring healthy snacks at presbytery meetings as well providing information on healthier lifestyles including taking exercise breaks, walking and spiritual disciplines.

T-I-3     OAM has received a \$250 grant from the Presbyterian Older Adult Ministry Network (POAMN) towards a health fair to be presented by OAM in the fall. Look for more information in future Presbytery and OAM newsletters.

Wishing you good health & wellness in your golden years!

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marcy Campbell, moderator

## V – CROSS MINISTRIES REPORT

June 6, 2015

### **WHO WE ARE:**

We were formed in the mid-1970s and we are a non-profit social service agency operating under the auspices of the Presbytery of Des Moines. We have grown every year of our 40 years of existence. Today CROSS Ministries provides more than 17,000 acts of service annually to men, women, and children and advocates to improve the quality of life for all Iowans facing issues of poverty.

### **OUR MISSION:**

- To prevent homelessness and to provide food and other basic survival needs to people in crisis.
- To advocate for changing social, economic, and political systems which perpetuate poverty and oppression.
- To create a vision of justice and provide educational opportunities to churches, organizations, and the community, concerning the plight of the poor.

### **CROSS BACK-TO-SCHOOL GIVEAWAY:**

CROSS Ministries is preparing for our 23<sup>rd</sup> *Annual Back-to-School Giveaway* to be held on Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 to 8:00 PM in the Cottage Grove Presbyterian Mission Center with a goal of serving 1,500 children from low or no income households. The children of low and no-income families are most affected by the poverty their families experience. The best way to get people out of the poverty cycle is through education. If a child has to start school without the basic supplies needed, or has to start school late while waiting for the money to purchase the supplies, it puts them at a major disadvantage. Therefore, the *CROSS Back-to-School Giveaway* is an investment in the future for us all.

For every \$15 that you donate one child living in poverty can receive a new backpack filled with the grade appropriate school supplies needed to begin the 2015-2016 school year. Please help us meet this need! Donations can be made to CROSS Ministries, 1050 – 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines, IA 50311.

### **CROSS AND AMERICORP/VISTA JOB OPENING:**

CROSS is currently conducting interviews for an AmeriCorp / VISTA worker whose duties will include:

- Building capacity by expanding CROSS' ability to generate funds, volunteers, in-kind support, and community partnerships, in order to reach and enable more economically disadvantaged people.
- Planning and implementing fundraising and community engagement activities, including visits to organizations, particularly faith communities, to raise awareness and garner support
- Planning service projects that engage members of those communities in the anti-poverty mission.

For more detailed information: [www.crossministriesdm.org](http://www.crossministriesdm.org) and look at the “What’s New” page.

Respectfully submitted,  
Roberta Victor, executive director