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FOR THE YEAR 2011

MINISTRY

Lawrence C. Roff
(Senior Minister)

David Bowles
(Director of Youth Ministries)

Lindy C. Gower
(Director of Children’s Ministries)

STAFF

Administrative Assistant
Organist and Choir Director
Facilities Manager

Pegeen Meo
Elinore Farnum
Timothy Shaut

OFFICERS

Clerk of Session
Church Treasurer
Benevolence Treasurer
Deputy Moderator, Board of Deacons
Treasurer, Board of Deacons
Clerk, Board of Deacons
Chairman, Operations Board
Chairman, Women’s Ministries
Chairman, Deaconesses

Philip Schiesswohl
Robert C. Holt
David C. Pearson
David Mills
Walter Sankowski
Jason Austin
John Magill
Beth Jackson
Betty Rose

SESSION

Through Dec. 2011

Keith Austin
Edward Leib*
David McKeon
Robert Roy*

2012

C. Alexander MaGill
Frank Privitera
Philip Schiesswohl*
Craig Williams

2013

Giles Bullock*
Keith Creasey
David Vincent

BOARD OF DEACONS

Jason Austin
Mark Borra
Matthew Butts
Michael Johnson*
Walter Sankowski*

Martin Benoit*
David Dombrowsky
David Mills

Ronald Compo
David Howell
David McClelland*

OPERATIONS BOARD

Douglas Bodenstab
Robert Degeneff
Timothy Kahler
John Magill
Mark Mertens

David Battiste*
Daniel Bibeau
Leonard Gower
Lucy Roy

Glenn Baker
Julia Holcomb
James Polenz*
Anna Privitera
Ed Schaperjahn*
Errol Singh

*Mandatory Rotation

YEAR VERSE, 2011, Philippians 3:8 (NIV)

I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

YEAR VERSE, 2012: Ephesians 4:12-13

He gave pastors and teachers to equip the saints to do the work of ministry, so that the body of Christ may be built up to maturity.

PASTOR'S REPORT

*I consider everything a loss,
compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.
Phil. 3:8*

That was our theme verse for 2011, and I pray that it became more of a reality for every one of our members. I preached from this text at the beginning of the year, and sought to keep it before our eyes frequently on as many occasions as possible. It was the heading at the email prayer chain notices that went out every week. Has Jesus become more of a treasure in your life? Will He become increasingly so this year and throughout your life?

It was this theme verse that led me to begin preaching through the Gospel of Luke more than a year ago. I am continuing that series through this year as well. This keeps our focus on Jesus as we examine His person and work week by week. I pray that as we study what the Gospel tells us about His teaching and His character, this will make Him more central in your thinking and more influential in your living. We're continuing to work our way through Luke this year.

One of the major emphases this past year has been "cultivating an outreach mentality." The Lord opened up an opportunity for us to do that through flood relief for our neighbors in the Stockade immediately after the disaster in August with meals, encouragement, and an invitation for them to join us at our annual picnic right here on the grounds. Another of the ways we have been doing that is through the training available through "Evangelism Explosion." Nine of us from First Pres attended a three day training seminar on Long Island last summer. We brought that "Everyday Evangelism" ministry back with us and had 35 from First Pres attend an initial one day "Share Your Faith Workshop" here in Mekeel Hall. I augmented that with a series of sermons, going through the basic gospel outline ... grace-man-God-Christ-faith. From that, 15 participated in the seven week "on the job" training, with a class each Wednesday evening before we went out on the streets to present the gospel. That will continue this current year.

Officer and leadership training was also a focus for me this year. It has apparently been many years since a structured pattern of training for officer candidates was offered here. I have developed a new approach to that with a series of nine self-study and then class discussion sessions. There is now a manual that we can follow each year to insure that those men who are ordained to office are better equipped to carry out those responsibilities.

My report must also include – with great thanks and appreciation – those many members who are using their spiritual gifts to build up the body here at First Pres. The Scriptures teach us that the Holy Spirit has distributed spiritual gifts to every believer. Our church has one pastor but many ministers – hopefully every one of you. Faithful saints are using their spiritual gifts each week in Sunday School classes, home Bible study groups, youth and children's ministries, committees, nurseries, Jail Ministry, the Friendship Center, administrative-financial-maintenance work, and music ministry. Jesus commends every one of you with the words, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

OPERATIONS BOARD

John Magill, Chairman

It's been a busy year for the Operations Board and many thanks to those from the congregation that helped to maintain our buildings. We have a well diversified and disciplined team

sitting on the board all for the glory of god. What an honor and privilege it is to serve on this team. We faced many challenges this year and will in the years to come.

I want to thank Pastor Larry Roff and Bob Holt for their inputs and support. Here are some of the highlights of projects accomplished this year:

Sanctuary Boiler issues resolved with contractor removal.
Organ upgrades and repairs.
Painted inside bell tower
Repaired water issues in back of the Sanctuary
Elevator Project Completed (Room built to house Controlling Systems)
New Cabinets and Water Dispenser for Friendship Center Storage
Mekeel Repaired 2nd Floor Water Damaged Ceilings
Mekeel 1st Fl. Refinished Floor
Basement Ceiling in Ladies Lounge completed
Started Shutter Restoration Project for Goodrich
Mekeel Coffee Room Painted
Secured Church Historical Documents In Stevenson Room
Nursery Room Remediated and Repainted
Started Phase 1 for Turnbull Structural Project
Parking Lot – Finished Seal Coat / Striped Parking Spaces
Trees Removed / Parking Lot Drain Raised
Funds approved and work started for new Mekeel Basement and outside access.

Special thanks for Tim Shaut, Facilities Manager and Jim Polenz, our assistant sexton for their outstanding work. I want to thank all the people in the church and former operations board people who worked on projects on Work on Wednesday. Special thanks to Lena Degeneff for her leadership on the Sanctuary Stain Glass Project.

We continue to live within our budget constraints but next year we will have some significant projects costs. Some of these main projects are:

1. Mekeel – Upgrade Basement Rear Entry and Basement Floor
2. Exterior Painting – Sanctuary, Mekeel, and Goodrich
3. Turnbull – Turnbull Structural Project.

May the Lord be glorified in all we do and blessing to all that assisted the Board.

NEHEMIAH B. BASSETT TRUST FUND

David C. Pearson and W. Thomas Bird, Trustees

The Bassett Fund income each year is used to support students in seminary and for other Christian educational causes. The principal in this account as of December 31, 2011 was \$108,556. The investment portfolio consists of Money Market funds, Notes, Corporate Bonds and U.S. Government Securities. The return on the fund for calendar 2011 was approximately 5.42%.

The income from the fund totaled \$5,971.04 and was distributed as follows:

First Presbyterian Church, Indigent Women's Fund	\$ 500.00
First Presbyterian Church, Student Fund	1,000.00

Mekeel Christian Academy	4,000.00
Remaining in the fund balance	<u>471.04</u>
TOTAL	\$5,971.04

Nehemiah B. Bassett was a member of First Presbyterian Church from 1823 until he died in 1844. Upon his death he left a trust to the church in the amount of \$9,994.00. Because of the difficulty in finding candidates to fulfill the terms of the trust, the fund lay dormant for many years. A future court order was rendered permitting the funds to be used for Christian education. It is a pleasure to administer this fund. Mr. Wallace Campbell officially resigned as Fund Trustee on July 13, 2010, after 39 years of faithful service and oversight of the fund.

A report of this trust is filed each year with the Session of our church.

JOSEPH & ROSE VERTUCCI BELAK EDUCATIONAL FUND

The Joseph & Rose Vertucci Belak Educational Fund was first established in 1983 at the death of Rose and in 1990 was added to with the death of Joseph. It has been used for the education of young people for the purposes of sharing Christ with others. It is with deep joy and appreciation that we acknowledge the vision of Joe and Rose and their love for the Lord Jesus as they continue to assist this generation to be prepared for sharing the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. The value of the fund on Dec 31, 2011 is \$93,328.

MARY VERTUCCI D'AMICO WORSHIP FUND

Mary D'Amico was associated with our church for many years. Upon her untimely death in August 1995, her husband Joseph D'Amico, her sister Carmella Ciaranello and her brother Dr. Anthony Vertucci established a trust fund in her memory. In 2010 this fund was added to at the death of Joseph D'Amico. This fund is to provide resources for First Presbyterian Church to use in worship services of the church. It may be used for the enhancement of the church building, any needed items for worship or for worship programs. Current plans are to use some of these funds to restore the church pipe organ. The value of the fund on Dec 31, 2011 is \$17,263.

CARING COMMITTEE OF SESSION

Elders: Gil Bullock, chairman, Keith Austin, Craig Williams

Congregational Members: Walt Sankowski, Cathy Kahler

The Caring Committee has the responsibility for assisting in providing for the spiritual and physical needs of all members and adherents here at First Presbyterian Church. The committee organizes the Caring Units, has oversight of the Home Group ministry, facilitates the Church Introduction Class, and interviews new members prior to a meeting with Session. A new ministry, Prime Timers, is organizationally under the Caring Committee. The group is headed by Dick Rose and meets monthly for fellowship and a fun activity. During 2011, the committee also reestablished the greeters following the 11:00 service. An activity in progress is a new church picture directory.

Caring Units: Due to the size of our church, it is a practical matter that the pastor is provided assistance in caring for the needs of all. Our congregation of about 410 members and adherents is divided among 14 Caring Units. Each unit has an Elder/Deacon team appointed to care for the needs of those people. These Elder/Deacon teams and the people in each unit are identified on a bulletin

board in Mekeel Hall adjacent to the coffee area.

Home Group Ministry: There were 11 Home Group Bible Studies in 2011 with a total participation of about 135 people. The groups were hosted at individual homes located throughout most of our geographical area. The subject material chosen by each group included both topical studies as well as books of the Bible. We praise the Lord for the willing hosts and leaders and the enthusiastic participation.

Church Introduction Class: There were two Church Introduction Classes in 2011, one in the spring and one in the fall. The intro class covers what it means to be a Christian, a Presbyterian, and a member of 1st Pres. Those attending the class are under no obligation to join the church. Those who would like to join are interviewed by members of the Caring Committee and are then presented for membership by Session interview. There were 16 people who joined 1st Pres from the spring and fall classes of 2011. Those folks were:

Ward & Shirley Fellows	Rick & Amanda Bigham
Tom Salamone	Cheryl Diem
Peter McKee	Jonathan & Lissa Mariano
Dick Rose	Fred & Jacquie Rapant
Daniel Frueh	Sreynoch (Noch) Chin
Sam & Elisha Kalvass	

Prime Timers Senior Ministry

Annual Report

Dick Rose, Coordinator

Prime Timers is a new ministry whose purpose is to provide the senior population of First Presbyterian Church with opportunities for service, for social engagements, and for encouragement through Christian fellowship. Oversight of the ministry is being provided by the Caring Committee.

Participation is open to any persons regularly associated with the church who are fifty-five and older or who have a spouse fifty-five or older. Guests will be welcomed at any of our activities thereby offering an opportunity for outreach.

Prime Timers has a program facilitator, me, ably assisted by my wife Betty. It is anticipated that various members will participate in the planning and leading individual events in the future.

Our usual meeting time is the third Friday of each month at Mekeel Hall although many activities will require both a different time and place.

Prime Timers made its debut at the Ministry Fair in September followed closely by its first event – lunch September 25th following the eleven o'clock service. Fifty-five seniors heard details about the group and added their input through survey sheets. Then they happily chatted and consumed sloppy joes.

Then thirty-six of us made the trip from Lenox to Stockbridge on the Berkshire Scenic Railroad on October 15th. We ate lunch at Michael's Restaurant and visited the local shops before returning to Lenox.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE of SESSION

Chairman: David Vincent

Elders: Al MaGill, Jim Mancuso
At-large members: Bonnie MaGill
Superintendents: Terry Leib (Elem.)
Youth Groups: David Bowles
Nurseries and Pre-K: Lindy Gower

Areas of oversight for this committee include: Women's ministries, Men's ministries, Sunday School – all ages, VBS, and libraries.

Adult Sunday School should strive to offer at least three classes from among these four areas: 1. Bible study, 2. Topical/doctrinal, 3. Devotional, and 4. Other topics of interest. The committee confirmed that all curricula, volunteer teachers, and study topics and materials should receive Pastoral review, including the same for the various Women's Ministry Bible studies.

The committee endorsed three initiatives for 2011:

I. How can we create a Christ-centered environment that encourages our teens to not only become strong Christians, but also to grow in the fellowship of our church? Question: should we have a teen communicants' class (ages 13, 14) or should we expect teens to attend a church introduction class with adults? The committee agreed by affirmation that teens should have their own class, perhaps six sessions or so, specifically tailored to their age and interest, and not during the Sunday School hour. Pastor Roff will continue working toward that end.

II. Start developing a vision for a marriage retreat: Al and Bonnie MaGill moved forward on this idea, enlisting the aid of Bill and Helen Challener and others, to dialogue with Paul and Virginia Friesen (Home Improvement Ministries www.HIMweb.org) and begin working toward a time and place for a married couples' retreat in the fall of 2012. It was decided that trying to find an acceptable time during the year to sponsor a marriage retreat is very difficult. Summer is out, winter poses major holidays and storm threats. Fall is dominated by Missions Conference in Oct and Men's Retreat in early Nov. The Women's Retreat is in late spring. It has been felt that many people would only justify the expense of a retreat once a year. The current proposal is to have a marriage retreat about every 4 years, and ask Men's Ministry and Women's Ministry to each give up a year, which would mean not having their own retreat once every eight years. MM has agreed to not have a retreat in the fall of 2012 in order to free up the fall for a marriage retreat.

III. Develop a program, probably for an evening service, to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the Bible in the "common tongue" – the King James Bible. By affirmation the committee declared June 12, 2011 "King James Version Day."

Various classes for adult Sunday School included a continuing study of Corinthians taught by David McKeon, a class on Evangelism, a study based on the book "Out of the Saltshaker" by Rebecca Pippert, a study of Romans taught by Pastor Roff, and a class based on growing as a Christian by overcoming sin using Kris Lungaard's book, "The Enemy Within: Straight Talk About the Power and Defeat of Sin" taught by Lamont Truttling. The summer series included a class on

Creationism and Intelligent Design taught by Neal Cummings and Tom Salamone, and a class on Islam taught by Emad Andarawis.

Men's Ministry events included a focus on the 9/30/2011 release of the movie "Courageous" and the men's fall retreat at Camp Pinnacle on November 4-6, 2011. The retreat theme, Finishing Well, was from II Tim. 4:7, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." Rev. Ned Suffern from Redeemer RP Church, Queensbury, was the guest presenter.

Church Library 2011 Annual Report

Collection Development:

Books: 1,850 Videos: 277

We added 41 books this year, discarded 883, and removed the records of 280 lost/stolen books.

Circulation:

We circulated fewer than 100 books this year.

Weeding Project:

In December of 2010 I began an extensive, long overdue inventory of the collection to determine which other books are missing and probably will never be returned. This project was completed by May, with the able assistance of Ross Meo. It resulted in the elimination of 1,063 titles from the database of books that we have or used to have in the library. Of these, about 280 were records of books that had been taken and never returned over the last 17 years. The other 883 books were ones that were so old, in such poor shape, or so culturally irrelevant as to not be worthy of being kept anymore. Many were duplicates; some were outdated, some were reference books that had never been used in 17 years. We found good homes for all the books in usable condition. A few were in such poor condition that they were simply dumped.

Audiotapes were disposed of. Videotapes, though never used anymore, remain in the library. We own DVDs and CDs, but have had no time to catalog them and get them ready to use.

I did a 'library moment' during worship service several times this year. I have made plans with Pastor Roff to do library moments a few times in 2012.

Collection

We added 41 new books into the collection over the course of the year, including some new Christmas books to replace lost/stolen ones.

Long-Standing Needs:

Someone to write reviews of the new books and publish them in the church bulletin/newsletter.

Looking Ahead:

We need to purchase fresh, new books on current topics of interest to the congregation such as recovery ministry and ministering to families with special needs children, etc. We also need to spend money in 2012 purchasing and shelving electronic media including Christian music on CDs.

J. James Mancuso
Church Librarian

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Lindy C. Gower

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ —to the glory and praise of God. Philippians 1:9-11

Sunday School

We continue to use the *Show me Jesus* Curriculum from Great Commission Publications for Sunday School for ages 4yrs-6th grade. For 2011 our Elementary Superintendent was Terry Leib. The preschool superintendent position is vacant, I continue to fulfill the jobs responsibilities for that position.

For Summer Sunday School we also used the *Show Me Jesus* curriculum from Great Commission. Classes were divided into 2 age groups, 4 & 5 year olds, and 1st – 6th graders. Sixth graders were given the option of attending either children's or youth Sunday School or adult Sunday School with their parents. Summer Sunday School classes were taught by several adult volunteers as well as Terry Leib and Lindy Gower.

Our Sunday School teachers beginning in the fall of 2010 were: 4's & 5's: Nancy Bodenstab, 1st & 2nd grade: Kathleen Mancuso; 3rd & 4th grade: Carol Pearson; 5th & 6th grade: Beth Jackson. Several adult volunteers provide nursery care for children ages 0-3 during the Sunday School hour.

The elementary Sunday School classes again participated in the Operation Christmas Child Project. The entire congregation was invited to participate as well. Sixty seven boxes were collected.

The memory work program continues in the Elementary Department with children being able to earn camp or book awards for completing memory work for the year. The honors memory work program has been updated to correspond to three CD's from the Seeds Family Worship Music Collection. Each grade level has a CD that corresponds to the memory for both year at that level. Each CD put verses to music to help the children in the memorization.

Thank You to our Superintendent, Terry Leib, Sunday School teachers and helpers for loving, teaching and serving our children.

Nursery

Many dedicated volunteers continue to serve in our nurseries; their service is very important and greatly appreciated. New quarterly nursery schedules for all Sunday nurseries, as well as special services are completed on an ongoing basis. Use of the sign-in number board paging system for both nurseries is running smoothly and is helpful in paging parents when needed.

Kid's Zone

Kid's Zone programming remains in place on Wednesday evenings. There were a few small changes to the schedule this year to move the Kids Zone ending time a little earlier. Kids Zone now begins at 6:30 and ends at 7:30 for the 4,5 & 6 year old class and ends at 7:45 for the 2nd-6th grade class. There is always positive feedback from parents when activities end earlier rather than later. The 2011 Kid's Zone year ended in May with a Fun Fair. There were at least 30 children in attendance along with a large number of volunteers and quite a few visitors. The Fun Fair is always a highlight of the year with games, prizes, face painting, and balloon animals.

For the 2010-2011 year both the 4, 5 & 6 year old class as well as 2nd - 6th grade class used materials from Pioneer Clubs. The younger class was taught by several adult volunteers, although

finding adequate help was a difficult and volunteers were generally scheduled on a week by week basis. This difficulty led to a question of whether or not this class would be able to be offered for the 2011-2012 year. Thankfully Dave and Tammy Mills stepped in to lead the class and it was able to continue in the fall of 2011.

For 2011-2012 Dave and Tammy Mills began leading the 4, 5 & 6 year old Kids Zone class. They spent the first half of the year using a curriculum unit from Group Publishing from the Hands on Bible series. The second half of the year they will use a unit from Group's Buzz curriculum. The 2nd-6th grade class began studying about wisdom and will be using lesson materials from John's Pipers ministry, Children Desiring God.

For the 2011 Missions Conference in October Dan McBride spent the entire evening with the children doing a Bible lesson, activities and singing. Dan did a wonderful job sharing with the children about the work he and his family did in their ministry in Tanzania.

Thank you to all of our Kid's Zone teachers, leaders and all volunteers for their service at Kid's Zone each week.

Junior Choir

In 2011 Junior Choir met for seven weeks during our Lenten Dinner series. The children then sang for the 8:15 and 11am service on Easter Sunday. Starting in Fall of 2010 Junior Choir was incorporated into Kids Zone as an activity unit. Many parents found it difficult to commit their children to do choir for the entire year and numbers in choir had been quite low, to the point that choir would not be able to continue. In the fall of 2011 children again met for a second six week session of Junior Choir and sang at a Sunday morning worship service as well as for the Special Choir Christmas Cantata. Thank you to Elinore Farnum for a wonderful job leading choir and to Amanda Bigham for her excellent job assisting with choir.

Vacation Bible School

Karen Cummings served as the director for VBS. Karen did a wonderful job leading our Road Race 2011 VBS program. The children enjoyed a variety of activities for the race car themed program including music, crafts, snack, daily Bible drama lesson, and games. We had approximately fifty three children participate in the program. Special thanks to our director Karen Cummings and the many volunteers who did such an excellent job with VBS. The program could not happen without you.

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE OF SESSION

Elders: F. Keith Creasey (Chairman) and Rob Roy

At Large: Steve Barnett, Joe Gerardi, Dick Himmelwright, and Ross Meo

The Evangelism Committee's mission is: *To train and support believers in evangelism to penetrate our society with the gospel of Jesus Christ.*

To carry out the mission we believe that:

Every Christian has the responsibility to reach out to non-Christians in his or her sphere of influence.

The most culturally relevant and effective evangelism takes place through personal relationships rather than impersonal methods.

Christians should be loving and patient with non-believers as they work through the process of making a commitment to Jesus Christ.

Our Goals are to:

1. Enable Christians to effectively communicate the gospel and defend their faith.
2. Encourage Christians to build relational bridges with non-Christians.

Our ministry includes:

Following up guests – In this year at least 67 local people visited our church. Many visited only once, but some came back a number of times, and some of them have joined our fellowship. A pastoral letter is being sent to each guest. Also, our congregational members are being encouraged to make a personal effort to get acquainted with our guests.

Evangelism Training – In the winter quarter Pastor Roff led an evangelistic Sunday school class, “Out of the Salt Shaker and into the World” which was attended by over 30. In August 9 of us attended a 3-day “Everyday Evangelism” training seminar. Shortly after that over 30 of us attended an all day “Sharing Your Faith” workshop. Following the workshop Pastor Roff launched a 7-week training course that 15 of us attended. First Pres has taken a major step toward personal evangelism. Our goal is to train many in our congregation to be effective in sharing the gospel with not yet Christians.

Outreach - During 2011 we continued to reach out to our Stockade neighbors. We invited Stockade residents to our Lenten dinners and several came. In September the Stockade “Walkabout” attracted visitors that toured our sanctuary. The most dramatic event took place in August as we reached out to the flood victims. A large number of our congregation prepared food and personally took it to the weary homeowners as they were desperately cleaning up the flood damage. Following that help we invited everyone involved in the flood, including first responders to our church picnic. It was a very heart warming event attended by approximately 200.

Lenten Activities – During the Lenten season we sponsored seven dinners with outstanding speakers. The average attendance, including many guests, averaged about 180, and many complimented us on the delicious food and inspiring messages.

Prayer After Morning Services – This year we initiated the opportunity for those with prayer needs to be ministered to immediately after morning services. Teams of elders and their wives and other volunteers have ministered to many and continue to serve this year.

In Conclusion - We have a very dedicated Evangelism committee, but we need the effort of all in our congregation to spread the good news of salvation. Take that first step with your friends and loved ones to be sure that they understand the importance of what Jesus said in Matthew 6:33 - *“But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”*

MISSIONS COMMITTEE OF SESSION

Chairman: Philip Schiesswohl

Elders: Glen Walkup, Craig Williams

At large: Kirsty Fittro, Eric Fiveland, Julia Holcomb, Sandra Geisinger,
and James Stewart

2011 Giving for Budgeted Needs

Our 2011 Missionary Budget was set at \$368,700, which was the same as budgeted in 2010. Receipts toward our 2011 budget were \$358,116.45 (96.65 percent of the budget). Actual disbursements for 2011 were \$356,342.07; leaving a surplus of \$1,774.38. When an earthquake and tsunami devastated Japan on 22 March \$4,665 was collected to provide relief through World Relief, Samaritans Purse and MTW. Another \$952 was collected to provide relief through Samaritans Purse and MNA when tornados struck several southern states

We continue to praise the Lord for allowing us to meet our missionary financial needs in 2011. The \$1,774.38 we have to distribute, as a result of some line items not being completely spent, will be disbursed to provide needed additional support, reduce deficits, and meet special needs for a few of our missionaries and mission organizations.

Caring for our missionaries is more than just giving money, however. The Missions Committee is strongly convinced that God works through the local church in the ordaining, commissioning, sending, and supporting of missionaries. We desire to be a vital part of their lives. We want to know about their needs, their cares, their victories, their defeats, how their children are doing, and how we can help. In this way we can offer help when help is needed, whether that be material, emotional or spiritual help. To that end, each Sunday we provide a missionary prayer insert in the bulletin highlighting prayer and praise items from several of our missionaries on a rotating schedule. We provide opportunities for our missionaries to visit and share with the congregation, and through the Christmas Missionary Offering we provide a special monetary gift to each of our missionaries.

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. As it is written: "He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God for the

obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! 2 Cor. 9:6-15 (NIV)

Missionary Conference

Our 62nd Annual Missionary Conference was held from Sunday, October 16th through Sunday, October 23rd, with the theme "Christ the Wisdom and Power of God" from 1 Corinthians 1:18 – 25.

Keynote Speakers:

Opening: Dr. Terry Morrison IVCF Faculty Ministries Director Emeritus
Closing: Dr. Terry Morrison IVCF Faculty Ministries Director Emeritus

Our scheduled opening keynote speaker, Dr. TE Koshy with IFEIA, became seriously ill with pneumonia the week before the conference and the Lord enabled Dr. Morrison ably to step in to speak both Sundays.

Participating Missionaries of First Presbyterian Church:

First Presbyterian Church Short Term Mission Team to Ecuador: Sandra Geisinger, David Geisinger, Dan Nauman, Andrew Fincke and Philip Schiesswohl

Kenya medical mission team participants: Doug and Nancy Bodenstab and Rowland Elwell

Jody Collinge MTW & LifeWind International, Mexico

Ed and Candice Holtz Campus Crusade, FL

Ted and Diane Holzmann TEAM, Germany

Russell and Mirelle Livingston Pioneers, France

Dan McBride MTW, PA

Mark and Babe Smith NAIM, Canada

Jacob and Raquel Sotelo Palm & CHE, Mexico

Retired Missionaries Attending:

Dale and Muriel Fritz

This was the ninth year of combining of our two Sunday morning worship services into one for both Sundays of our Missionary Conference. What a blessing it was to worship together in one worship service. The Lord used the preaching of His Word from the keynote speakers and the various presentations from the missionaries throughout the entire week to demonstrate how Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.

The first Sunday morning during adult Sunday school Russ Livingston shared with us about his work with Pioneers in southern France. During the morning worship service Dan McBride brought a report on the work he and his wife recently completed in Tanzania and where God is leading them next. Dr. Terry Morrison brought a message on “Christ, the Power and Wisdom of God” from the theme verse 1 Corinthians 1:18-25. In the evening he spoke on “Christ the Wisdom and Power of God in Salvation”. Mark and Babe Smith brought a report on their work with NAIM in Lillooet, BC. Monday evening there were two focus groups. One was on “Connecting with 21st Century Students” featuring Dr. Morrison, along with Caleb LaRue and Danielle Bailey from Inter Varsity in the capital region. The second addressed “Culture and Culture Shock in Missions” with participation by Jody Collinge (CHE/LifeWind, Mexico), Ted and Diane Holzmann (TEAM, Germany), Russ and Mirielle Livingston (Pioneers, France), Dan McBride (MTW, formerly Tanzania), Mark and Babe Smith (NAIM, Canada) and Jacob and Raquel Sotelo (CHE, Mexico). Although lightly attended, there was excellent discussion of the issues. The Women's Luncheon, at which Jody Collinge and Raquel Sotelo spoke, was shifted to Tuesday in order to facilitate attendance by women from the Tuesday morning women's Bible study. While the women had their luncheon the missionary men were taken on a hike up Vrooman's Nose in Schoharie County. Wednesday evening we enjoyed our Wednesday night dinner followed by Kid's Zone, and prayer meeting with a message presented by Ed Holtz and a report by Ted and Diane Holzmann. There were Small Group meetings Thursday in the evening. Friday our missionaries were given a free day to do as they pleased. Saturday started with a Men's Breakfast in the morning, where Mark Smith and Dan McBride spoke, and finished with a catered dinner in the evening followed by presentations by our Short Term Ecuador Missions Team and the Kenya medical mission team. The final Sunday, missionaries shared in each of the Sunday school classes. Dr. Morrison spoke on the “Christ Jesus, the Wisdom of God in Creation” (1 Corinthians 1:24, Colossians 2:3) while Jody Collinge shared about her work with CHE. In the evening Jacob and Raquel Sotelo shared about their work in Mexico and Dr. Morrison concluded the conference with a message “Wrapping up a Missions Conference”.

A special thanks to Mekeel Christian Academy for giving several of our missionaries the opportunity to speak in various Chapel services throughout the week.

A light luncheon was held Monday, Wednesday and Thursday for participating missionaries. This was a time of testimony and prayer; plus the devotionals presented by Dr. Morrison were very encouraging for the missionaries.

Let's not forget the soup and sandwich lunch the first Sunday, served by the Worship Committee in Mekeel Hall, as well as the Sunday evening receptions. A very SPECIAL THANKS to ALL who worked behind the scenes and labored so diligently and selflessly to honor God and our missionaries during this very special week at First Pres. We give praise and glory to the Lord for anything that is accomplished by this total church-wide effort. We thank all who opened their homes, offering hospitality to visiting missionaries.

Dear friend, you are faithful in what you are doing for the brothers, even though they are strangers to you. They have told the church about your love. You will do well to send them on their way in a manner worthy of God. It was for the sake of the Name that they went out, receiving no help from the pagans. We ought therefore to show hospitality to such men so that we may work together for the truth. 3 Jn 1:5-8 (NIV)

There were many meals and refreshments served the week of the conference. It could not have been done without the full cooperation and participation of this freed and transformed community of First Pres. working together. Only in eternity will we know the impact our encouragement and service had on the lives of our missionaries. The conversations around God's Word and at our dining room tables gave opportunity to open our hearts and minds to what God can do through us as we listen to stories from visiting missionaries. Surely our participating missionaries "have told the Church about your love". Again we thank God for all who had a part in making the conference possible.

Short Term Missions Projects

Ecuador: Sandra Geisinger, David Geisinger, Dan Nauman, Andrew Fincke and Philip Schiesswohl traveled to Ecuador July 8 through 18th to assist Bruce and Cherith Rydbeck with a water project in Santa Rosa Guanán. They also taught children in the afternoons.

Kenya: In August Doug and Nancy Bodestab and Rowland Elwell participated in a Global Health Outreach project in Kenya.

Mission Activities

In April we collected musical instruments for Moha Dicko, youth pastor at Timbuktu church in Mali, to help in his youth program. Rich and Anna Marshall, serving in Mali West Africa with Evangelical Baptist Missions, had extra space when packing a drill rig in a container for shipment to Mali. The extra space could be used to get the instruments to Mali. The instruments were greatly appreciated and will be used for God's glory and to help build interest in the young people rallies that they have around town.

Missionary Visits in 2011

During the year we had a number of visits from members of our missionary family as well as other missionaries:

23 January	Eivion Williams	Alpha Pregnancy	report at morning services
10 April	Libby Little	InterServe	report at morning services and Q&A format at Sunday School
8 May	Rick Mellen	Wycliffe	report at morning services
22 May	Bill & Jackie Wright	Samaritans Purse	report at morning services

12 June	Khen Tombing	PMI	preach at morning services
19 June	Karen Kirchner	TEAM	report at morning services
26 June	Ted Barnett	AIM	preach at morning services
24 July	Jaime & Maria Ayala	Wycliffe	report at morning services
31 July	Evelyn Ant	AIM	report at combined morning service
21 August	Caleb LaRue	IVCF	preach at morning services
18 September	Sue Harris	MTW	report at morning services
2 October	Jud Lamos	MTW	report at evening service

Changes in Current Missionary Status for 2011

Evelyn Ant reached mandatory retirement age with AIM, but after a brief stay in the US returned to Uganda to continue to serve in Tororo

Jaime & Maria Ayala, Wycliffe, relocated from Lima, Peru to Texas

Ted & Martha Barnett, relocated to Georgia as AIM moved their US headquarters there

Virginia Barrows, with Fellowship International in Brazil, was taken home to be with her Lord on 17 June

Alex & Laura Crum reached 100% support and began active ministry with the Seed Company (on loan from Wycliffe)

Ted & Diane Holzmann completed their HMA and returned to Germany

Dr. Karen Kirchner began a leave of absence from TEAM to pursue a master's degree

Libby Little relocated to the US to work with InterServe

Russell & Mirelle Livingston completed their HMA and returned to France with Pioneers

Rick & Priscilla Mellen retired from Wycliffe and settled in Texas

Kevin & Gertrude Nicholas returned to the US on HMA

Bob Remington, retired missionary in Ecuador and Costa Rica, was taken home to be with his Lord on 6 November

Bill & Jackie Wright transferred from Samaritans Purse to International Technical Electrical and Construction (ITEC)

The Friendship Center

*“Look among the nations, and see;
wonder and be astounded.*

*For I am doing a work in your days
that you would not believe if told.”*

Habakkuk 1:5 (ESV)

We have used this verse for some time because it is so very appropriate for *The Friendship Center*. God continues to amaze and bless us. In January of this year we had 6 students and 6 children. Now at the end of this year we have a total of 30 students and 21 children from 11 countries. Our classes are full and we have a waiting list.

Due to our friendship with the leadership of Schenectady Head Start, one of our biggest prayer requests was answered. Since September our students and children have been transported by two of their busses. Our students have access to many social service programs because of this connection.

Our students learned much from the classes on nutrition and parenting offered by Cornell Cooperative Extension. This was taught once a week for eight weeks by Cornell Nutritionists.

Our volunteers for 2011 are many. This truly is one of our greatest blessings in 2011. We have nearly one hundred volunteers from First Presbyterian Church that are actively involved in this vital ministry. Our church realizes that TFC is not simply a “project” but a vibrant mission field. There is a reason why our motto is “Love them until they ask why”. This year we had our first convert.

We look forward to the ways in which God will continue to amaze and bless us in 2012.

Directors: Joanne Davis and Gen Schaperjahn

WORSHIP COMMITTEE OF SESSION

Edward Leib, Chairman

*All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.*

Psalm 86:9 (ESV)

This year, the Worship Committee consisted of Jason Austin, Marty Benoit, Frank Privitera, Rob Roy, and Ed Leib (chairman). Working together with Pastor Roff and others from the congregation, we endeavored to help the congregation to worship God in spirit and truth. True worship is based on the Biblical directives of reading scripture, singing, praying, preaching from the Word, giving of tithes and offerings, confessing our faith and observing the Sacraments. We hold to these Biblical directives in lovingly presenting the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our worship.

Notable Visitors

As has long been our practice, our calendar year began with the Octave of Prayer, lead by Dr. Stan Allaby. Our former interim pastor Bill Hogan, now of Independent Presbyterian Church of Memphis TN, preached at the morning services on June 5th. His church's high school choir presented a concert the following evening in our sanctuary. Also on June 5th, our Organist/Choir Director Elinore Farnum teamed up with the Sayles School of Fine Arts Chamber Choir to present the Camp Fund Organ Recital. Due to the unexpected arrival of Hurricane Irene, the church picnic was not held on Labor Day weekend; instead it was held on September 18th on the church grounds. Several Stockade neighborhood friends who were impacted by the storm, along side some of the emergency responders and the Mayor, gathered for an outdoor cookout and worship service. Matthew Smith, a founding member of “Indelible Grace” provided special worship and praise music at the morning and evening services on Sunday, September 11. We joined with other reformed churches in the area to celebrate Reformation Sunday on October 30th. Guest preachers included Dr. Ted Barnett, Dr. Mark Dunn, Dr. Terry Morrison, Rev. Caleb LaRue, Rev. Rich Patterson, Rev. Clyde Petrie, Rev. Mark Sarver, and Rev. Khen Tombing.

Home Front

After thirteen years as leader of the Early Service Worship Music Team, Sherry Walkup has requested to "rest from her labors". Also, after decades of service, John Polimeni, Sr. has decided to step down as Head Usher. We thank the Lord for their dedicated, faithful service in worship. We also thank the Lord for Tom Bird's willingness to lead the Worship Music Team on an interim basis, and for David Tomhave assuming leadership as Head Usher. After some much needed refurbishment, upgrades and tuning to standard pitch, our Sanctuary organ was rededicated on November 20th. Our attendance averaged 101 at the 8:15 service, 160 at the 11:00 service, and 66 at the evening service. 2010 attendance was 104, 174 and 82, respectively. We celebrated the Lord's Supper eleven times in 2011. There were six combined morning services throughout the year, with an average attendance of 211.

On behalf of the congregation, I give thanks for the selfless work of Eric Fiveland and his A/V team, Sherry Walkup and the Worship Music Team, Elinore Farnum and the Junior and Senior Choirs, Meredith Williams and the Bell Choir, Dorothy Kahler our pianist at the evening service, Peter Rizzo our auxiliary pianist, those who provided special music, those who prepared the communion elements, our ushers and greeters, the Operations Board, Tim and Dawn Shaut, Peg Meo, Joan Morris for the flower ministry, and Bob Holt our church treasurer. Thanks also to those who decorated the church buildings for Advent. To God be the glory!

MINISTRY BOARD OF DEACONS

"Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling." I Peter 4:9

Deputy Moderator: David Mills

Clerk: Jason Austin

Treasurer: Walt Sankowski

Outreach Committee

Chairman: Matthew Butts

Additional Deacons: Ron Compo, David McClelland

2011 was as usual a busy one for the Outreach Committee. The focus of this committee is service to the community. The areas that the Outreach Committee was involved in are:

Jail Ministry at Schenectady County Correctional Facility

Year 2011

SCHENECTADY COUNTY JAIL: The year 2011 was a remarkable year for our ministry team, serving the Lord at the Schenectady County Correctional Facility. There was not a single Sunday during the year that we were denied entry to conduct Sunday morning worship services with the men. The jail staff is appreciated for their assistance every Sunday and at other times.

Another remarkable happening is that 47 men prayed in 2011 either to ask Jesus to be Lord and Savior or to rededicate their lives to Christ. However, the task of mentoring and discipling these men has been difficult, as they often are released or transferred to state prison before we have a good

chance to minister to them individually. For new or rededicated Christians, we visit them on weekdays to more fully explain the Gospel and to help them grow in their faith and walk with the Lord.

During the fall, John Morris provided two series of evening classes of Charles Stanley's Letting Go of Anger video presentation with follow up discussion. In early 2012, we are offering to selected inmates the Navigator Design for Discipleship study to help them grow and mature in their faith.

Men are being fed the Word, encouraged and challenged in this ministry, which has been ongoing for 60-plus years. We believe we are simply called to serve at the jail, as faithful witnesses for our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. In addition, a few women from our church go into the jail on Saturdays to lead a Bible study with women inmates. Another group of men, lead by Brian Merriam, provide a Bible study every Saturday morning for the men inmates.

The Pen Pal correspondence ministry serves over 20 inmates in state prisons, most of whom came through our local jail ministry. The ideal goal, with adequate resources, is to mentor each of the men or women who profess Christ, continually through the prison system, to discharge and beyond. At Christmas, the Deacons and volunteers distributed gifts to every inmate in the jail.

We are hopeful of providing mentoring and discipleship to a few men who will be released later this year or next. This after-care ministry to former inmates from the county jail or state prison has had only partial success over many years.

Please pray for: a) men and women to help in this vital ministry, b) openness among inmates to receive the Good News by faith, and c) follow-up and mentoring of new and recommitted Christians. Faithful men serving in this ministry as we begin the year 2012 are Peter Butryn, Rennie Basdeo, Ron Compo, George Contreras, Larry Denham, David Geisinger, Ron Hastings, Ken Kottke, Bruce Lewis, David McKeon, John Morris, Tim Pennings, Al Steinbach, and Lamont Truttlng.

If you have Christian publications that you would like to donate to the jail ministry they would be appreciated. We could use some paperback books (no hardbound book allowed) that focus on Christian living, growing in faith, provide testimonies, etc. We could also use devotionals and Decision magazines. Please no Christianity Today or Moody magazines – we need publications that present the Christian message simply.

*Submitted by David Geisinger, Coordinator of Jail Ministry
on behalf of the Board of Deacons of First Presbyterian Church.*

HERITAGE HOME FOR WOMEN - coordinated by Ron Compo. Each Sunday afternoon we have a 30 minute service that is open to all the ladies that are resident in this facility. It is always a joy and a delight for the team members to visit this home and lead the singing and then share a message from God's word. The service is held in the main common room and the attendance ranges from 15 to 20. CITY MISSION - coordinated by Matthew Butts. We presently have a three-fold ministry at the Mission. First of all, we have a Sunday Evening service once per month. Our church also serves at the evening dinner program several times a year. And finally, the Outreach Committee was

responsible for the City Mission food drive which was held twice during in 2011. We also wish to thank the people who are involved in this vital ministry.

BAPTIST HEALTH - coordinated by David McClelland. We have been going into this facility since the 1980's and we provide a worship service the first and third Sundays of each month. The worship teams are comprised of a speaker, a piano accompanist for the hymns, and 5-6 helpers to assist residents to and from the service. Should any of our church members feel the calling of the Lord to be involved in this ministry please contact any of deacons.

TRACT MINISTRY - coordinated by Matthew Butts. Tracts are supplied at the tract racks at the church and Mekeel Hall, and locations in town such as the bus station and the YMCA. The tri-fold First Pres tract has been used extensively this year. We also use tracts in the many Christmas gift packages we give to people.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS – The deacons bought and passed out over 500 gifts. With our limited resources once again we have concentrated our gift giving on the places we have an ongoing ministry - the places mentioned above. Thank you to members of the congregation that contribute funds through the year to support this ministry.

Service Committee

Chairman: David Dombrowsky

Additional Deacons: David Mills, Mark Borra, David Howell

The Service Committee of the Deacons had a very productive year in 2011. We were called upon to serve the congregation several times with assistance in home repair, and significant thanks goes to David Gascoyne who continued to help in this role when he could. We enlisted the help of other deacons and volunteers who braved the July heat to help in the relocation of one church member from her apartment to another one close by. We had a record breaking year for raising funds for Camp Scholarships, with over \$4,000 raised at Elinore Farnum's annual recital, and more than a dozen scholarships awarded. Operations board helped us tremendously by removing the pulpit and front barricade from the front of the church, allowing the audience to better view Elinore in what many called her best performance yet. The service committee also has heartfelt thanks to the Deaconesses, who prepared over a dozen gift baskets for each of Easter and Christmas seasons, which our committee hand-delivered to each of the recipients.

The CD ministry led by Eric Fiveland records and archives all church services and many of our special activities and makes them available for our church family. Several hundred CDs were produced this year.

Congregational Committee

Co-Chairman: Mark Powers and Walt Sankowski

Additional Deacon: Mike Johnson

The Congregational Committee provided the planning and preparation for the annual Church Picnic which was to be held at River Road Park in Niskayuna. However due to Hurricane Irene this event

was postponed and eventually rescheduled as an outreach event, on the Church ground, to those in the Stockade that suffered from flooding. Many people from the congregation attended and brought food to share to the dozen or so people that came from the area.

From November 4 - November 6, 30 men attended a special fall weekend retreat at beautiful Camp Pinnacle in the Helderberg Mountains overlooking Albany, N.Y. The guest speaker was Ned Suffern, Pastor of Redeemer Reformed Presbyterian Church in Queensbury, N.Y. The theme, "Finishing Well" was based on II Timothy 4:7-8:

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."

Pastor Ned explored this theme with the men during 4 well-prepared sessions through-out the weekend. The men enjoyed breaking up into small groups for discussion and prayer, a time of worship each morning before breakfast, and a Sunday morning worship service with communion.

Everyone enjoyed the excellent food prepared by the staff at the camp! The men especially enjoyed fellowship with each other by helping the camp with several work projects, and through various recreational activities and games. For the first time, in 2011, a group team competition (indoor volleyball game) was tried, with gag prizes presented after dinner. This was lots of fun and well-received by the men!

On December 3rd a Church-wide event was held that combined church decorating, gift wrapping of the Christmas Deacon's gifts, crafts for kids, and singing of Christmas carols. It was well attended and well liked by all. Doughnuts and coffee were provided by the Deacons.

On December 17th, Christmas caroling to shut-ins and nursing home residents took place. Approximately 20 people participated in the Christmas caroling. They split up into four groups and sang to approximately 20 First Pres shut-ins who are not able to come to church. After the caroling, the group enjoyed a delicious dinner that was prepared by and provided by the Deacons.

Each week coffee, tea, hot cocoa, and light snacks are served in Mekeel Hall during the Sunday school hour in order to promote fellowship among the members of our church and create a warm inviting atmosphere for visitors.

Worship Committee

Chairman: Martin Benoit

Deacon: Jason Austin

The Worship Committee coordinated the Minister's Deacons for all services. The Minister's Deacon provides personal assistance to the minister in all details of the service. The Worship Committee also coordinated volunteer greeters and offering collectors on a quarterly basis for the 8:15 AM service throughout the year.

The Board of Deacons Worship Committee deacons also serve on the church's Worship Committee.

Eleven times during the year the communion table was prepared by the deacons. The following table summarizes when communion was served and the number of communicants:

2011 Dates	AM	PM
9 Jan	258	
13 Feb	214	
13 Mar	243	
22 Apr		165
15 May	214	
26 Jun		55
17 Jul	200	
21 Aug		54
2 Oct	228	
13 Nov		61
11 Dec	228	

DEACONESSES

2011

Nancy Bodenstab
Tammy Mills

2012

Ellie Bullock*
Karen Cummings*
June Nauman
Betty (Aucompaugh) Rose*

2013

Nelsa Barnett
Claire Bylina
Carmen Mertens
Denise Sankowski
Ermilla Singh

Current Officers:

Chair - Betty Rose
V. Chair - Karen Cummings
Secretary - Beverly Holt
Treasurer: Ellie Bullock
Emergency Needs: Betty Aucompaugh, Julia Holcomb
Funeral Coordinators: Karen Cummings, Ellie Bullock

Usually when we hear about “The church visible and invisible”-it is in reference to the extent of the body of Christ, its worldwide and eternal nature, but tonight I’d like to suggest the term also accurately applies to the church body of First Pres. Our visible members are seen in our worship services and times of fellowship filling the pews or standing in buffet lines. Our invisible members are just that -- invisible. We don’t see them much anymore, and the old expression “out of sight, out of mind” often sadly describes their relationship to the rest of the congregation.

But they are not invisible to those of us on the Board of Deaconesses. These are the people we care for regularly by sending them cards and calling them on the phone, but what they value most is a face-to-face visit. Their eyes light up when they see a friendly face; they love to tell their fascinating! stories to an intently listening ear; they are comforted by familiar Bible verses, and they enjoy news of the church family. This is our calling and pleasure, and we do not take our responsibility lightly. When we meet every other month, we share updates on each of our folk and then pray together for them. We encourage them with gifts at Christmas and when we think they would like a nice surprise. In sharing communion, they are reminded that they are still part of our body. Pastor and an elder bring this sacrament to them in their individual homes and in a service twice a year at Kingsway.

It is very important that these folks still feel they are part of us, and we are constantly looking for ways to do this better. We have recently made changes to our guidelines to include written reports of our visits and other contacts so that they are never neglected because of our busyness.

None of us are eagerly anticipating our own residence in a long-term care facility or being confined to our homes, partly because we fear being forgotten or ignored. For many of these folks, the deaconess is their only tie with First Pres, and if we neglect them, it's easy for them to think God has forgotten them as well. While we serve them on your behalf, we would encourage you to contact them, too. Join us in keeping our invisible members visible.

CAMP PATTERSONVILLE

Craig Williams, Board Member

It is hard to believe that a small Christian children's camp in upstate New York could have such an impact around the world for Christ, but it is true. I believe God has blessed the ministry of Camp Pattersonville because it has been faithful for 64 years in proclaiming God's Word to the children who attend camp. 2011 was no different, 293 campers came and fixed their eyes on Jesus. Camp has traditionally ministered to children ages 7 - 12 but last year (for the last week of camp) and again this year (for the last 2 weeks of camp) the ministry was devoted to young teens, ages 11 - 14. And like last year this program was again received very well. We praise God for His faithfulness and for how He has used many of His people to accomplish this ministry.

"Looking unto Jesus" Hebrews 12:2a has always been the theme of camp and continues to be the focus on which we desire to minister to the children, giving them an opportunity to hear the wonderful good news about Jesus and His love for them in an outdoor camping setting. Many of these campers received Jesus into their hearts and lives for the first time and many rededicated their lives to Christ.

There were four recurring themes this year. The first was taking the Bible seriously. The second was trust; full throttle trust, trust in what Jesus did and trust throughout the day in all activities. The situation can change rapidly, and we need to constantly be trusting the Lord. The third was reading the Bible for yourself. The fourth, among the staff, was the fellowship of sharing in his suffering (Phil 3:10). These led to a good year. The staff was focused, not complaining, and willing to be uncomfortable and sweat for the sake of the goal.

Our goal continues to be to explain the gospel clearly, including changing one's mind about self and placing one's undivided trust in Jesus. We teach that Jesus is God himself in the flesh and desire to give each camper an opportunity to respond. The campers learned and memorized the following Bible passages during the AM lesson time. The complete passage was recited before all meals, and a reward was offered at the end of the week for those who could say the verse. About $\frac{3}{4}$ of the camp were able to say the whole verse. During staff week, we prepared to teach what these mean. Philippians 2:5-11, Revelation 1:5-8, Matt 24:37-42, 1 Cor 15:51-57, 2 Cor 5:17-21

In the campfire lessons, the director taught through the lives of David and Elijah, along with how to be saved and live a life of trust in the Lord. Many kids responded by giving their lives to Jesus or by further committing their lives to follow him.

A couple of famous hymns were taught along with all the other camp songs: “*Look Ye Saints*”, “*Come Thou Fount*,” “*Crown Him with Many Crowns*,” and “*All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name*.” 3 or 4 verses were taught of each, and the meanings of the words and phrases were taught throughout the week. Music is a highlight of camp, and we choose songs carefully. Staff learned these during staff week and at least one of them was sung at every meal to help in memorizing. We find that the kids want to sing the hymns and want to stand.

In addition to the Bible studies, campers also enjoyed activities such as swimming, hiking, exploring the creek, water carnival, field carnival and camp games (i.e. capture the flag and camper counselor hunt). Various crafts were also enjoyed such as reed baskets, hand-carved helicopters, PVC trumpet, and paddleboats. The main craft was wooden electric lamps. Singing, Bible stories and skits (around the camp fire, weather permitting) each night were the perfect ending to the day.

For more information about Camp Pattersonville and great pictures please visit our website at: www.camppattersonville.org

Staff

The Lord provided for great staff again this past summer, several returning from previous years.

Directors: Dan & Angie Lawry (15th year as Directors)

Counselors: Amy Fisher, Nikki Buice, Rebecca Lucas and Kristen VanStaveren,
Marty Jellison, Mark Paquette, Greg Dubois and Rich Sarnacki

Health Director: Missy VanStaveren and Sarah MacIntyre

Aquatics Director/WSI: Christine Rankin

Cook: Angie Lawry assisted by co-cooks – Becky McDill, Michele Gerlach, Cindy Denio,
Missy VanStaveren, and Kelleye Taylor

Assistant Cook: Mandy Klint

Handyman: Ian Riley

Junior Staff

Once again the Lord answered our need for Junior Staff which is vital to the successful operation of camp. Not only does this program provide additional eyes, ears and hands at camp, but it also helps young people to have an opportunity to serve God in a camp environment.

Thanks

Volunteers are a valuable part of camp and we could not operate without them, so we praise God for the many who worked to get camp ready for the season and for those who helped during camp as well as those who helped close camp. The board would like to thank the many of you who support the ministry of Camp Pattersonville with your prayers, time, and finances. We believe that the Lord is planning to continue His work of reaching children for His kingdom through the ministry of the “Camp on the Hill.” We know God uses His people to accomplish His purposes, so continue to keep camp in your prayers during the off season as we prepare of a new year; pray especially for the children who have been to camp and for those who will come to Camp Pattersonville in the year 2012.

Camp Pattersonville Board

Caleb & Erin Chuchta, Ricky & Michele Gerlach, Josh & Maria Hughes, Mandy Klint, Dan & Angie Lawry, Jim & Sandy Milkins, Bryan Monty, Craig & Meredith Williams.

Hebrews 12:2

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith,
who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame,
and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

RETIRED MISSIONARIES FUND

David C. Pearson, Signatory

In 1992 First Presbyterian Church received significant bequests from the estates of Robert Cooper and Charlotte Koch. Half of these bequests was used to establish a fund for retired missionaries who do not have sufficient income to adequately support themselves. The earnings are distributed to these missionaries based on an annual budget.

During 1999 the principal of the fund was increased from the Marion Follett and Frank Wagner bequests, and in 2009 also augmented by a bequest from the estate of George R. Fusner. Interest on the principal was \$10,946.35. On December 31, 2010, the market value of the fund was \$236,321.91. Growth in market value in 2011 was \$15,352.80, bringing the endowment balance to \$251,674.71. The Fund balance as of January 1, 2011 was \$2,625.88, income from gifts of \$10 plus interest and dividends from the endowment of \$10,946.35, and expenditures of \$12,010, leaving a balance as of December 31, 2011 of \$1,572.23. The fund income during 2011 was expended as follows:

<u>Missionary</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Dr. & Mrs. William Barnett	\$2,000
Mr. & Mrs. Warren Davis	2,000
Mr. Charles Lamb	2,000
Mrs. Ladson Saylor	2,000
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Vishanoff	2,000
Mrs. Tolbert McNutt	<u>2,010</u>
Total	\$12,010

TREASURER'S REPORT
CHURCH OPERATIONS ACCOUNT

Balance, January 1, 2011		\$115,591.74
Receipts		
Offerings	\$452,762.03	
Miscellaneous	16,762.61	
	TOTAL	\$469,524.64
Disbursements		
Buildings and Equipment		
Grounds and Cemetery	\$ 14,189.69	
Insurance	13,091.82	
Building Maintenance	13,453.67	
Equipment and Furnishings	3,834.34	
Electricity	14,173.48	
Gas	18,528.22	
Paper Goods	1,430.60	
Janitorial Supplies	2,215.88	
Water, Sewer & City Taxes	<u>4,567.16</u>	
	87,484.86	
Staff Compensation		
Sr. Minister	Salary:	50,923.10
	Housing:	20,576.90
Assistant-	Salary:	
	Housing:	
Youth Min. Director -	Salary	12,000.04
Children's Min. Dir. -	Salary:	40,300.00
Secretary		29,400.02
Sexton		34,600.02
Ass't Sexton	-I	8,380.00
	-II	8,658.30
Organist		15,499.90
Music Leader (Early Service)		2,200.00
Car expenses		3,707.57
Professional expenses		1,499.94
Health Insurance		43,084.30
Social Security		17,051.91
Pensions		24,649.99
Long Term Disability		457.08
Payroll Services		<u>2,723.65</u>
		315,712.72
Administration		
Advertising		775.00
Office Supplies		12,366.90
Telephone		3,891.73
Session Fund		20.00
Search Committee		
Evangelism Committee		1,940.68
Caring Committee		126.26
Receptions - Funeral & Other		328.88

Honoraria & Expenses	3,355.10	
Conf. - Travel & Expenses	1,800.61	
Secretarial Services	150.00	
Small Groups	<u>161.15</u>	
	24,916.31	
Christian Education		
Sunday School	1,596.48	
Library	384.40	
Vacation Bible School	1,633.18	
Kids Zone	1,189.26	
Jr.-Sr. High	5,597.83	
Nursery	587.71	
Moms' Break-Away	1,305.00	
Family Night	-1,422.64	
Women's Ministries	599.83	
Women of Wisdom	349.99	
Men's Ministries	476.30	
Senior Ministries	- 37.34	
Other (Finance Charge)	<u>79.85</u>	
	12,339.85	
Worship & Music		
Substitute organist	1,200.00	
Worship Committee	494.01	
Choir Music	737.88	
Early Service Music	486.95	
Bell Choir	188.75	
Organ & piano maintenance	<u>1,100.00</u>	
	4,207.59	
Total Disbursements		\$444,661.33
Balance on hand, December 31, 2011		140,455.05

TRUST FUNDS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Designated Use</u>	<u>Current Value</u>	<u>2011 Disbursement</u>
Memorials (undesignated)	Church Support	\$ 0	\$1,475
Memorials (undesignated)	Missions	5,975	1,620
Memorials (designated)	To Be Determined	1,505	0
Memorials (designated)	Missions		1,000
Memorials (designated)	Camp Pattersonville		300
Rose V. Belak	Christian Ed.	93,328	2,396
William D. Ellis	Church Support	2,505	32
Anna B. Case	Church Support	5,009	63
William F. Cromer	Missions	2,004	25
Mary Lyon	Deaconesses	3,506	44
H.M.M. Pause	Deaconesses	12,458	157
Dorothy Horstman	Deaconesses	2,004	25
Barbara Grippo	Deaconesses	571	7

Robert Carothers	Youth Fund	15,028	189
Robert Cooper	Music	1,234	18,050
Mary D'Amico	Worship	17,263	1,633
Lowell Sheets	Capital Improvements	60,026	23,331
Isabel Zimpel	Sound Equipment	3,630	0
Lewis Horstman	Church Support	25,819	0
Beatrice Miller	Church Support	4,108	4,108
Beatrice Miller	Missions		4,108
Constance Wagar	Missions	0	5,000
Constance Wagar	Stained Glass Windows		5,000
Guro Olsen	Mekeel Remodel	32,350	0
Shakeshaft	Church Support	1,990	1,990
Shakeshaft	Stained Glass Windows		1,990
Shakeshaft	Missions	<u>0</u>	<u>3,980</u>
		\$290,313	76,522

Operating Funds

Church Support Fund	140,860	444,661
Needy Fund	2,460	57
Youth Fund	10,227	661
Retreat	-\$1,000	1,000
Pastor's Fund	3,119	1,524
Minister's Retirement Fund	125,658	6,000
Window Fund	25,009	0
Building Fund	116	9,796
Youth Center	9,923	0
Deacons	0	19,329
Deaconesses	0	389
Staffing Fund	1,000	0
Holding acc't	0	1,665
Benefit Concert	0	205
STORE Fund	4,533.08	556
Flower Fund	517.02	1,435
Lenten Events	1,354.35	2,874
WIC (Women in the Church)	1,004.10	2,491
Bell Choir Fund	43.18	1,157
Men's Retreat	96.07	4,132
WOW (Women of Wisdom)	5.50	0
1 st Fellowship	0	842
Staff Gifts	20.00	125
Operation Christmas Child	70.00	0
Stretchild Mission	69.48	0
Child Min Fund	<u>307.76</u>	<u>0</u>
	325,392.00	498,899
Totals	615,705.00	575,422

Robert C. Holt
Church Support Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT
2011 Report of Benevolences (Missions)

Balance January 1, 2011 **\$20,265.51**

RECEIPTS

Total toward Scheduled Needs **\$358,116.45**

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Christmas Missionary	5,632.00
D. Kaufmann memorial	1,000.00
J. Nelson memorial	1,620.00
Easter	2,937.45
Japan Tsunami Relief	4,665.00
Missionary Conference	2,529.35
PCA Ministerial Relief	2,535.34
Short Term Missions	7,665.00
Thanksgiving	1,285.00
Tornado Relief	1,952.00
VBS Offering	<u>130.00</u>

Total Special Offerings **\$31,951.14**

DESIGNATED GIFTS

\$17,313.23

TOTAL

\$427,646.33

DISBURSEMENTS:

FOREIGN MISSIONS

SCHEDULED

OTHER

Andrews, Mr. & Mrs. James	10,700.00	175.00
Ant, Miss Evelyn	6,000.00	320.00
Ayala, Mr. & Mrs. Jaime	9,000.00	565.00
Barnett, Dr. & Mrs. Theodore	5,000.00	
Barrows, Rev. Alden	5,000.00	
Butler, Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey	6,000.00	
Case, Mr. & Mrs. Mark	10,000.00	
Collinge, Dr. Jody	5,000.00	54.00
Cook, Dr. & Mrs. Blair	7,500.00	1,000.00
Crum, Mr. & Mrs. Alex	3,600.00	1,345.00
Eldeen, Mr. & Mrs. Lester	4,000.00	290.00
Farnum, the Rev. & Mrs. David	7,500.00	
Follett Missionary Guest House	3,000.00	
Holzmann, Rev. & Mrs. Ted	8,000.00	
K. Todd & Amy	3,000.00	
Kirchner, Dr. Karen	1,800.00	1,000.00
Kjorvestad, Mr. & Mrs. Adam	7,000.00	
Little, Mrs. Libby	5,000.00	11.00
Livingston, Mr. & Mrs. Russell	6,000.00	
Markus, The Rev. & Mrs. I. M.	3,000.00	1,170.00
McBride, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel	5,000.00	25.00
McMillan, Mr. & Mrs. Peter	3,500.00	
Mellen, Mr. & Mrs. Rick	2,400.00	
Nicholas, Mr. & Mrs. Kevin	3,000.00	10.00
Peterson, Mr. & Mrs. Roy	10,000.00	

Rarig, The Rev. & Mrs. Stephen	6,200.00	1,050.00
Rydbeck, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce	13,500.00	1,700.00
Short Term Mission Projects	3,318.58	7,165.00
Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Evan	8,600.00	
Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Mark	10,000.00	50.00
Sotelo, Mr. & Mrs. Jacob	4,000.00	
Sparks, Mr. & Mrs. William	8,000.00	110.00
The Seed Company	15,000.00	
Tombing, Mr. & Mrs. Khen	7,500.00	
Wright, Mr. & Mrs. William	11,000.00	
Zoellner, The Rev. & Mrs. Garnet	8,000.00	

NATIONAL /AREA MISSIONS	SCHEDULED	OTHER
Alpha Pregnancy Care Center	4,000.00	745.00
Friendship Center	3,000.00	3,226.11
Glaser, The Rev. & Mrs. Mitchell	5,000.00	200.00
Goffigon, The Rev. & Mrs. John	11,300.00	
Hill, Mr. & Mrs. Scott	7,500.00	792.01
Holtz, Mr. & Mrs. Edward	5,000.00	
Keiper, Miss Sara	7,500.00	550.00
Klett, Rev. & Mrs. Fred	3,000.00	
Mekeel Christian Academy	17,000.00	
Missionary Conference	7,391.05	2,529.35
National Association of Evangelicals	400.00	
Nauman, Mr. & Mrs. Gary	9,000.00	560.00
New Hope Family Services	1,000.00	
Patterson, The Rev. & Mrs. Richard	5,000.00	
Presbyterian Church in America		
-Administration	2,100.00	
-C.E. & Pub.	1,000.00	
-Mission to N. America	1,000.00	1,151.00
-Mission to the World	1,000.00	2,403.33
-N.Y. Presbytery	2,000.00	
-Travel	1,746.89	
Schenectady City Mission - General	2,000.00	3,401.00
- Family Life Center	2,000.00	
Schwarcz, Mr. & Mrs. Roy	3,000.00	
Youth for Christ		
- Rev. & Mrs. John Richmond	4,000.00	
- Mr. & Mrs. Steve Prettyman	10,000.00	1,000.00
Contingency	4,435.00	
Visiting Missionary Travel	531.75	

DESIGNATED GIFTS AND OFFERINGS		
Brooklyn Arab American Friendship Center		5,400.00
Carolina Sports Outreach		130.00
HCJB Global		12,212.16
International Friendship Evangelism		1,000.00
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship - Union College		500.00
Laird, Joyce		10.00
Missionary Christmas Gifts		5,632.00

OMS, Int'l	550.00
PCA Ministerial Relief	2,535.34
Presbyterian Mission Int'l, India	2,620.00
Samaritan's Purse	1,929.33
World Relief	2,627.06
Youth for Christ	1,200.00
Zihuatanejo, Mexico	1,000.00
TOTAL NON-SCHEDULED DISBURSEMENTS	\$68,943.69
TOTAL SCHEDULED DISBURSEMENTS	356,342.07
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$425,285.76
GENERAL ACCOUNT BALANCE, DEC. 31, 2011	1,774.38
SPECIAL ACCOUNT BALANCE, DEC. 31, 2011	586.19
TOTAL	\$427,646.33

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
STUDENT FUND**

Balance, January 1, 2011 **\$13,307.30**

Receipts:

Rita Preddice Bequest	\$ 4,224.67
Bassett Trust	\$ 1,000.00
Interest from Memorial Fund	<u>4.01</u>

Total Receipts **\$ 5,228.68**

Disbursements:

Regent University	
For Jonathan Meo	\$ 1,000.00
Liberty University	
For B. J. Cook	<u>\$ 3,000.00</u>

Total Disbursements **\$4,000.00**

Balance, December 31, 2011 **\$14,535.98**

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Student Fund Memorial

Balance January 1, 2011	\$1,000.00
Interest received	4.01
Transferred to Student Fund	<u>- 4.01</u>
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$1,000.00

David C. Pearson, Treasurer

BOARD OF DEACONS
Annual Treasurer's Report, 2011

Balance January 1, 2011

\$ 6,310.41

RECEIPTS

Benevolence/Relief	\$10,693.60	
Communion offerings	\$ 871.75	
Christmas offering	\$ 2,475.33	
Campership Recital & offerings	\$ 4,564.50	
Other offerings	\$ 1,609.31	
Digital Media Ministry	\$ 237.00	
Jail Ministry	\$ 380.68	
Coffee Fund	\$ 895.68	
Interest	\$ 4.53	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$21,732.38
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE		\$28,042.79

DISBURSEMENTS

Digital Media Ministry	\$ 156.60	
Camp Scholarships	\$5,100.00	
Coffee supplies	\$ 824.98	
Christmas gifts given	\$4,661.99	
Benevolence/Relief	\$9,375.86	
General Fund		
Communion supplies	\$ 178.00	
Tracts purchased	\$ 136.50	
Hymnals for City Mission	\$ 200.00	
Special Need gifts	\$ 250.00	
Bibles - Teen	\$ 350.00	
Jail Ministry	\$ 428.87	
Christmas decorations	\$ 158.44	
Helping Hands - Transportation	\$ 857.50	
Church picnic	\$ 668.18	
Other expenses	\$ 63.97	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$23,410.89

Balance December 31, 2011

\$ 4,631.90

Balance consists of:

Digital Media Fund	\$ 1,131.79	
Christmas Fund	\$ 401.06	
Camp Fund	\$ 225.00	
Coffee Fund	\$ 215.70	
Benevolence/Relief	\$ 1,698.42	
General Fund	<u>\$ 959.93</u>	
	\$ 4,331.90	

Respectfully submitted,
Walter Sankowski, Treasurer

DEACONESS BOARD
Annual Treasurer's Report – 2011

Checking Account Balance January 1, 2011 **\$12,396.39**

RECEIPTS

Offerings/Gifts	150.00	
Bank Interest	4.58	
Trust Fund	324.94	
Nelson Memorial Offering	50.00	
Miscellaneous	30.34	
Deacon Board Reimbursement/Shared Ministries	929.44	
Gen Fund Reimbursement/Reception Expenses	<u>220.12</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$ 1,709.42

DISBURSEMENTS

Supplies	150.31	
Reception Expenses	716.96	
Home Bound Needs	67.96	
Home-Bound Christmas Gifts	251.39	
Home-Bound Birthday Gifts	36.49	
Card Ministries	58.80	
Deacon Board Shared Ministries (Christmas/Easter)	1095.71	
Camp Fund Donation to Deacon Board	337.50	
Stockade Outreach Donation to Deacon Board	<u>393.18</u>	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$ 3,108.30

Checking Account Balance December 31, 2011 **\$10,997.51**

\$5,000 1-year CD @ .250% Value as of 12/31/2011 \$5,045.16
 \$5,000 2-year CD @ .800% Value as of 12/31/2011 \$5,067.43

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor I. Bullock, Treasurer

STATISTICS

Active members, December 31, 2010		406
Additions	14	
Professions of Faith	4	
Reaffirmations of Faith	6	
Transfer	4	
Removals	24	
Death	9	
Transfer	3	
BCO 38:3 (joined another church)	9	
BCO 38:4 (erasures)	4	
Ordination to the ministry		
Active members, December 31, 2011		395

NEW MEMBERS

Helen L. Challener	Peggy-Jean Gerardi
William A. Challener	Elisha Kalvass
Sreynoch Chin	Samuel Kalvass, Jr.
Shirley M. Fellows	Peter McKee
Ward L. Fellows	Richard A. Rose
Daniel J. Frueh	Thomas J. Salamone
Joseph Gerardi	John D. Sapovits

IN MEMORIAM

February 6	Raymond N. Gale
March 23	Iva Ericson
March 30	Joseph Marra
April 1	John C. MacQueen
April 2	Paul Kelly
May 15	Alfred Blake
June 21	Virginia Barrows
July 12	Racheal August
August 24	Helen W. George
October 31	Robert Washburn
November 6	The Rev. Robert Remington

MARRIAGES

February 25	Richard A. Rose and Betty Irene Aucompaugh
September 23	Stephen Jacques and Alicia Bowles
October 10	David M. Dombrowsky and Renee M. Dupree

BAPTISMS

Sreynoch Chin
 Andrew John Fiveland
 Grace Campbell Kalvass

50+ YEARS OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

The Lord has blessed us with many new members in recent years. He has also set before us the faithfulness of those who have been members for over 50 years. We are thankful for their fellowship, friendship, and faith in action.

Name	Year Joined	Name	Year Joined
Katherine Kaiser	1940	Jean D. Tomhave	1952
Evelyn McNutt	1942	Charles Holtz	1955
William Barnett	1945	Harriet Rogers	1955
Laura Barnett	1945	Nancy Scribner	1955
Geraldine Massingill	1945	Ruth Campbell	1957
Eleanor Bowman	1946	Wallace Campbell	1957
Doris J. Sawin	1946	Calvin Nauman	1957
Carlyle Brown	1947	Norman Petzold	1958
Marjorie Johnson	1947	Roscoe Ruffin	1959
Eleanor Rydbeck Petrie	1947	Alfred O'Neill	1960
Donald Brown	1948	Marjorie O'Neill	1960
Robert Scribner	1948	John J. Polimeni	1960
Rachael VanCoevering	1948	Catherine Polimeni	1960
Joyce Nauman	1949	Barry D. Relyea	1960
Jean Raney	1949	Keith Watkins	1960
Carlton Smith	1949	Marjorie Lanier	1961
Betty J. Wilson Sylvia	1950	Anne Waddington	1961
Marguerite Maurer	1951	David Maranz	1961
		Louise Maranz	1961

MEMORIAL GIFTS - 2011

The following undesignated memorial gifts in 2011 were distributed to the Missions account:

James Wegielewski	\$ 275
Iva Ericson	\$2500
Alfred Blake	\$ 200
Levia Ames	\$3000

The following memorial gifts in 2011 were designated as indicated:

Raymond Gale	\$1505 (to be determined)
Deborah Kaufmann	\$1000 (Missions)
Paul Kelly	\$ 300 (Camp Pattersonville)

OUR MISSIONARIES

James and Ruth Andrews	SEND International, Ontario, Canada
Evelyn Ant	Africa Inland Mission, Uganda
Jaime and Maria Ayala	Wycliffe Bible Translators, Peru
Dr. Theodore and Martha Barnett	Africa Inland Mission, USA
Alden Barrows	Fellowship International, Brazil
Jeffrey and Sharon Butler	Christar, E. Europe
Mark and Janet Case	New Tribes Mission, Paraguay
Dr. Jody Collinge	Mission to the World, Mexico
Dr. Blair and Jane Cook	International School Project, Ohio
Alex and Laura Crum	Wycliffe Bible Translators, USA
Lester and Marge Eldeen	Sunbeam Solutions, Arizona
David and Nancy Farnum	TESOL, Asia
Mitch and Zhava Glaser	Chosen People Ministries, New York City
John and Colleen Goffigon	Go-Ye Fellowship, Los Angeles
Scott and Sarabeth Hill	SEND International, New Mexico
Edward and Candice Holtz	Campus Crusade, Florida
Theodore and Diane Holzmann	The Evangelical Alliance Mission, Germany
K. Todd and Amy	ABWE, Central Asia
Sara Keiper	InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Philadelphia
Dr. Karen Kirchner	The Evangelical Alliance Mission, Asia
Adam and Joyce Kjorvestad	Campus Crusade, Athletes in Action, USA
Fred and Jean Klett	Christians Announcing Israel's Messiah (CHAIM), Philadelphia
Libby Little	InterServe, USA
Russell and Mireille Livingston	Pioneers, France
I. Made Markus	BCM International, Indonesia
Daniel and Janet McBride	Mission to the World, Tanzania
Peter and Sharon McMillan	The Evangelical Alliance Mission, Spain
Rick and Priscilla Mellen	Wycliffe Bible Translators, Costa Rica
Gary and Carol Nauman	InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Wisconsin
Kevin and Gertrude Nicholas	Wycliffe Bible Translators, Papua New Guinea
Richard and Sara Patterson	Children's Ministries, Albany
Roy and Rita Peterson	The Seed Company, Texas
Steve and Kim Prettyman	Capital District Youth for Christ
Stephen and Berenice Rarig	Mission to the World, Australia
John and Christine Richmond	Youth for Christ, Schenectady
Bruce and Cherith Rydbeck	World Radio Missionary Fellowship, Quito, Ecuador
Roy and JoAnne Schwarcz	Chosen People Ministries, Chicago
Evan and Carol Smith	Wycliffe Bible Translators, North Carolina
Mark and Babe Smith	NAIM, Lillooet, British Columbia
Jacob and Rachel Sotelo	Palm Ministries, Mexico
William and Cathy Sparks	The Navigators, Colorado
Khen and Rith Tombing	Presbyterian Mission International, India
William and Jackie Wright	World Medical Mission, North Carolina
J. Garnet and Daryl Zoellner	Mission to North America, Quebec

MISSIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Alpha Pregnancy Care Center	Presbyterian Church in America
National Association of Evangelicals	- Administrative Committee
New Hope Family Services	- Christian Ed. & Publications
New York State Presbytery	- Mission to North America
The Friendship Center	- Mission to the World
The Seed Company	Mekeel Christian Academy
	Schenectady City Mission & Family Life Center

OUR RETIRED MISSIONARIES

Dr. William & Laura Barnett	(Robert) & Esther Remington
Warren & Norma Davis	Allan & Carolyn Renaud
Dale & Muriel Fritz	Marilyn Saylor
Elizabeth Fuller	Carlton Smith
Charles Lamb	Victor & Ann Springer
David & Louise Maranz	Milan & Virginia Steffel
Ernest & June McMillan	Stephen & Virginia Vishanoff
George & Glennis McMillan	Betty Wilson Sylvia
(Tolbert) & Evelyn McNutt	Denise Zambrano