

Minutes
Presbytery of Saint Andrew
CALLED MEETING
10:00 a.m. on October 23, 2013
First Presbyterian Church of Starkville, Mississippi

A quorum being present, the Presbytery of St. Andrew met for a special meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 23, 2013, with the Moderator in the chair and the Stated Clerk present. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

There were a total of 14 voting members present plus an additional 46 visitors for a total enrollment of 60 as follows:

Teaching Elders (8):

Buren Blankenship
Tom Bryson
Rita Cochrane
Meg Dudley
Howard Dudley
Greg Goodwiller
Tom Groome
Ann Houston Kelly

Ruling Elders (6):

Fran Brown – FPC, Columbus
Joe Ray Underwood – Trinity, Starkville
Robert A. “Bob” Daniels – FPC, Starkville
Frank Chiles – Administrative Board Member
Anne Buffington – FPC, Starkville
Cathy Yeoman – FPC, Pontotoc

Visitors (46):

Bonnie L. Boyd, Ellen Mauldin, Joe Mobley, Carol Mobley, Nelson Jones, Bill Crumpton, Rae Nell Crumpton, Hilda Scholtes, Michael Dunlap, Ann Chiles, Sam Reynolds, Anita Reynolds, Peggy Johnson, Keith Remy, Ruth Remy, Andrew Fountain, Jack Wallace, Mary Jo Wallace, Marjorie Malone, Sara Wilson, Willetta Swoope, Bill Swoope, Bettie Cummings, Jim Long, Allen Johnson, Ernie George, Peggy Thomson, James Thomson, Anne McWhorter, Vicki Schramm, Jan McReynolds, Michele Rackley, Perry Rackley, James McKell, Rubye Guest, Charlie Guest, Ed Black, Ellen Goodman, Caitlin Rackley, Joel Downey, Cecelia Cook, Jack Cook, Kim Beatty, Martha Wells, Graham Wells, Susan Kuykendall.

Teaching Elder Members not present and sessions not represented were excused by unanimous consent.

The Moderator then stated the call for the meeting, which was as follows:

to examine the Rev. Dr. Martin Lifer for membership in the Presbytery of St. Andrew and installation as Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Starkville.

The Moderator then recognized the Rev. John Semmes, Moderator of the Commission on Ministry, who introduced Rev. Lifer and explained the examination process. He then led an examination of his Christian faith and his views in theology, worship and Sacraments, and the government of the church, which included questions from the floor.

John Semmes then moved that the examination be sustained as satisfactory and that Martin Lifer

be received into the membership of the presbytery and installed as the pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Starkville. The motion was adopted by voice vote.

Terms of call, which have been approved by the Commission on Ministry, were read as information:

Salary	\$ 68,000
Housing Allowance.....	30,000
Social Security	7,497
Travel Allowance.....	4,000
Retreat	300
Continuing Education/Books	1,500
Vacation	4 Weeks
Study Leave	2 Weeks
Pastor Spouse Retreat Leave.....	2 Weekends
Moving Costs	Full
Board of Pensions	39,500
Addl Insurance	5,280
Total Compensation.....	\$156,007

The following Administrative Commission was then appointed by unanimous consent install Rev. Lifer at a time and date to be determined by the Commission:

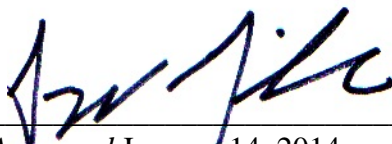
Teaching Elders:

Greg Goodwiller, Moderator
Tom Groome
Joseph Etua

Ruling Elders:

Susan Gamel – FPC, Starkville
Bob Rogers – Osborne, Starkville

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned with prayer by the Moderator at 10:30 a.m.



Approved January 14, 2014
Gregory A. Goodwiller, Stated Clerk