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# THE BANNER

**IGPonderings** by Interim General Presbyter Rev. Sallie M. Watson

Dear friends,

My friend Craig Satterlee is the king of transitions! His book called *When God Speaks through Change* (which, by the way, is available in our Resource Center) is a guidebook for helping pastors and congregations navigate the choppy waters of transition – which, he would argue, is just about every day.

He says that there are three parts to every transition. The first part is the “ending.” That’s the time that something has happened when you know you can’t go home again – a death, an accident, you get the idea. The very first part of a transition is an event which clearly demarcates a line between what is and what used to be.

So if we start with the end, we probably end with the beginning. That’s exactly how it follows. Whatever the new start is – the arrival of the new pastor, the dedication of the new building, whatever – that is the event that marks the end of the transition.

Between the “end” and the “new beginning,” however, finds us squarely in the middle: what Satterlee calls the “liminal” phase.

“Liminal” is that scary, messy phase of transition when the old is gone but the new is not yet known. The word “liminal” comes from a Latin word which means “threshold:” you’re not yet inside the house, but you’re not outside on the sidewalk either. This liminal in-between time can last for months or maybe even years. This is a time to experiment: to try new ways of being and test out a new identity.

As the search begins for our new General Presbyter, our Presbytery is in that lengthy liminal time. One of the gifts of liminal time is memory. We get to remember General Presbyter Bill Branch as one of the best leaders we ever had: “wonderful and wise,” “always ready with the right answer,” “nerves of steel” and “a heart of gold.” But we can also use that gift of selective memory to edit out the parts that were less perfect (as you will do whenever I am gone!) Would that we could move from our fond

memories of him and how well things ran while he was with us, right through to the calling of the new General Presbyter who will pick up exactly where Bill left off.

Friends, I wish I could promise that to you. But it wouldn’t be the truth. We can’t get back to normal because there IS no “normal” anymore. This is the time when you and I have to find our way together, to try some new things, to keep some of the old ways and ditch the rest, and all the while trust that God is going to see us through.

But how do we do that? Here’s the key: **we can only move forward by remembering** – remembering Who’s in charge, and what we’re called to do.

So who IS in charge? Certainly not Bill anymore, probably not any of you, and surely not me! The One in charge is the subject of the ninetyeth Psalm – or as one of our favorite hymns says, “our help in ages past, our hope for years to come.”

Friends, **God is in charge.** We must remember that, every time we are tempted to envision a future – or a past – of our own creating. And once we know deep down in our bones who it is that is really in charge, we will automatically know what we are supposed to do: to LOVE God, and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

The way through our transition as a presbytery, as well as the myriad transitions affecting your life and mine, is the same each time. Cling to the knowledge that God is in charge, and count that as the good news of the gospel. Then take the next step, which is to love God and to love neighbor as self. Then put one foot in front of the other, and repeat as necessary, a day at a time, an hour at a time, a minute at a time if you need to. The God who is in charge specializes in making a way where there is no way. But in order to see that way, we have to move out of the past into the future that God has already prepared for us. Let’s go.

Blessings to you, *Sallie*

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The Presbytery of Arkansas is a governing body of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) in the northern two-thirds of the State of Arkansas. We are composed of almost 15,400 Presbyterians gathered in 93 congregations and one fellowship, two New Church Developments and one ministry located in various towns and cities in this geographical region.

## Ritchie Installed as Presbyterian Church of Bella Vista Pastor



An Administrative Commission of the presbytery installed Rev. Dennis Ritchie as pastor on Sunday, October 12. They are (front row) Rev. Leslie Belden, Elder Pat Marts, Elder Martha Wettersten, (back row) Commission Moderator Rev. J. Stewart Smith, Rev. Clare Kelley, Rev. Ritchie, Rev. Art Fogartie and Elder Keith Burt.

## King Installed as Wynne Presbyterian Pastor



An Administrative Commission of the presbytery installed Rev. Craig King as pastor on Sunday, November 2. They are (front row) Elder Ray Woodruff, Elder Patty Minga, Elder Jean Pope, Commission Moderator Rev. Jim Freeman, Rev. Carl McCormack, (back row) Rev. Patty Schaller, Rev. David Schaller, and Rev. King (center).

## Hoehne Ordained at First, Conway



Candidate for Ministry Mark Hoehne was ordained at his home church First, Conway on Sunday, October 12. Members of the Administrative Commission are: Presbytery Moderator Jackson Farrow, Jr., Elder George Lea, Rev. Hoehne, Rev. Jeff Price, Associate General Presbyter Joan Erickson, Rev. Donn Walters, Elder Debbie McConkie, Guest Elder Mary Virginia Smith, Rev. Drew Travis and Guest Elder Marita Hale. Rev. Hoehne has been called by First Presbyterian, Lancaster, Wisconsin as pastor.

## Gabbard Ordained at First, Fort Smith



Candidate for Ministry Elizabeth Gabbard was ordained at her home church First, Fort Smith on Sunday, November 9. Members of the Administrative Commission are (front row) Elder Ann Filyaw, Rev. Gabbard, Elder Betsy Smith, Elder Sandra Barron, (back row) Elder Bruce Johnston, Rev. Bill Galbraith, Rev. Leslie Roper, Guest Rev. Jeremy Wilhelmi, Rev. Cathy Ulrich, Rev. Tom Ulrich, and Commission Moderator Rev. J. Stewart Smith. Rev. Gabbard has been called by J. J. White Presbyterian Church, McComb, Mississippi as pastor.

### Church Directories Requested

All congregations in the presbytery are invited to submit their membership directories (hardcopy or as an e-mail attachment) to the Presbytery office. Thank you!

## Twelve Congregations Work on Mission Trip



Presbyterians from across the region and with all ages and varied gifts participated in the second annual presbytery-wide Mission Trip to Orange Grove, MS to work with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance on homes damaged by the 2005 hurricanes. Thirty-eight people from Park Hill, North Little Rock; Presbyterian Church of Bella Vista; Central, Russellville; Westminster, Hot Springs; Second, Little Rock; First, Jonesboro, Berryville, Malvern, Morrilton, Huntsville, Clarksville, and Hot Springs; and Hamburg, AR (Presbytery of the Pines) lived and worked together the week of October 12-18.

## Together in God's Grace

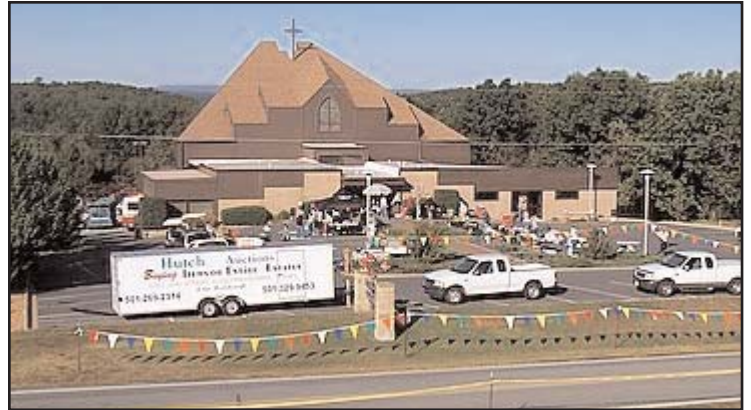
by Associate General Presbyter Joan Erickson

I don't like hurricanes and I don't like hurricane names. The system of naming storms was born the same year I was born - 1953. The list of names was expanded to include male names as well as female names in 1978. These names are predetermined and there is a six-year rotation of names. Today I don't think that it is because my dad was a meteorologist and all four of his children have names on storm lists. My sister's name, Diane, was retired before she was born. My name was retired in 1988. The names of my brothers, Douglass and John, are on the northeast Pacific list. If you are curious about storm names go to <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/aboutnames.shtml>

The retiring of a storm name happens because the name of a storm that causes extreme damage is heard mentioned over and over and over. I'm not sure that the mention of Ike is anywhere proportional to the damage that it has caused. We have heard the expression "the perfect storm" (meaning perfectly terrible) more about the financial crisis. The daily struggle of those whose homes and lives have been washed away was not a part of the election coverage. (See a bulletin insert for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance <http://www.pcusa.org/pda/tools/texas-bulletin-bw.pdf>)

So I want to let you know that the Presbyterian

## Fairfield Bay Kirk Launches "Whale of a Sale"



In support of the upcoming construction of a new Fellowship Hall the Men's Club and Presbyterian Women at Kirk of the Hills held an all-church garage sale/bake sale on Oct. 3-4 which earned over \$6,500.00. The financial success was augmented by the fellowship and fun generated by the congregation as members worked toward a common cause.

## NEWS OF OUR CLUSTERS

- **Cluster VII** (west central Arkansas) held a "Kirkin' O' The Tartan" (blessing of the families) Scottish worship service at Central Presbyterian, Russellville on Nov. 2.

Disaster Assistance as well as the presbyteries and churches in the Synod of the Sun have been working steadily all this time to assist in the areas hit by Gustav and Ike. Two volunteer villages are being rebuilt. Two more volunteer villages are being planned. The planning is going forward in faith that the donation to make this happen will be coming as soon as attention goes back to what happened on the Gulf Coast.

The Presbytery of Arkansas Disaster Preparedness and Response Committee (DPRC) thanks all those in the presbytery who contributed money, "Bucket Bucks," to buy the supplies to make clean-up buckets. One truckload has been shipped and supplies for more are ready to be assembled. Please call Ferncliff to set up a time to bring a group from your church to work on this. (See page 5.)

The DPRC also knows that only \$93,000 of the \$750,000 needed for immediate assistance work has been donated so far and encourages you and your church now to donate to "2008 Hurricanes." It is hard to believe that within this year we had all the tornadoes in the spring, then flooding, the earthquake in China, then hurricanes. We may become tired of responding to one disaster after another but we know that God's work is not dependent on our goodness but our willingness to know that the love of Christ never gets worn out and is our source of compassion.

Joan

## PEOPLE and CHURCH NEWS

### NEWS OF OUR PEOPLE

- First United, Fayetteville has three staff changes: Administrative Assistant **Elizabeth Dixon** has resigned and was replaced by **Melanie Dietzel** on Nov. 3, and **Kristi Button** began full-time service as Director of Christian Education on Nov. 9.
- **Evelyn Coleman**, a candidate for ministry and a member of Second Presbyterian, Little Rock, is now Associate Director of the Center for Youth and Young Adult Ministry at Montreat Conference Center.
- **Leigh Anna Anderson** is the new church secretary at First, Little Rock.
- **Rev. Anne Russ**, a minister member of this presbytery who now lives in London, England, wrote as "As I See It" opinion online article in the October edition of "Presbyterians Today." (<http://www.pcusa.org/today/see-it.htm>)
- Congratulations to **Pet and John Hollender** on the birth of a granddaughter, Jazlyn Lone, on Oct. 8. Proud parents are Shanie and Stephen Laflamme. Pet is an administrative assistant at Second Presbyterian, Little Rock.
- **Navisimo Chifunda**, former camp counselor at Ferncliff Camp, is featured in posters and other publicity pieces at Louisville Seminary. She is a student in Marriage and Family Therapy.
- **Jimmy Haggard** resigned as Youth Director at Central Presbyterian and First, Fort Smith due to job relocation.

### NEWS OF OUR CONGREGATIONS & MINISTRIES

- **First, Siloam Springs** held a Reformation Sunday service on the evening of Oct. 26.
- **First, Helena** gathered non-perishable food in early October for delivery on World Food Day to Grace Food Pantry, which the church helped organize.
- **Park Hill Presbyterian, North Little Rock** set up a booth on their front lawn and gave out candy and program information at Halloween on the Hill.
- **First, Mountain Home** is participating in "Operation Christmas Child Program," filling shoe boxes with gifts for international children.
- **First, Hot Springs** featured a newsletter article explaining how naming a church as beneficiary on an IRA can eliminate income and estate taxes on the amount distributed.
- **First United, Fayetteville** filled out the U.S. Congregational Life Survey on Oct. 19 to help in long-range planning and in their search for a new pastor and will have an Alternative Gift Market on Nov. 16 and 23.

- Session at **Graham Memorial Presbyterian, Forrest City** is meeting in the chapel every Sunday before worship to pray for the church and its mission.
- **First, Little Rock** announces its annual Time & Talent Fair Dec. 5 (9-2:30) and Dec. 6 (9-12) with handmade gifts, trash and treasure sale, and holiday luncheon Dec. 5 from 11:30 to 1:00.
- **First, Walnut Ridge** celebrated their 130th anniversary on Sunday, Nov. 2.
- **First, Conway** published lengthy personal statements and biographies in the newsletter from the deacon and elder nominees before their election.
- **Grace Presbyterian, Little Rock** and their prayer shawl ministry are featured again in the new Leisure Arts Prayer Shawl book.
- **Barr Memorial Presbyterian, Norman** is moving ahead on establishing a free clinic at their nearby Gretta Lane House.
- **Highland Presbyterian, Hot Springs** will host the Community Thanksgiving Worship Service on Tuesday night, Nov. 25.
- **Westminster Presbyterian, Hot Springs** will host Wise Gifts display of catalogues from non-profit organizations from which to shop on Nov. 23, Dec. 7 and 14.
- Presbyterian Players at **Presbyterian Church of Bella Vista** presented "The Case of the Show-Stopping Nun Nabber" at their annual dinner theater attended by 350 with proceeds going to support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and Horses for Healing in Bentonville.
- **Westover Hills Presbyterian, Little Rock** will celebrate 60 years of ministry and missions on Dec. 7 with worship at 10:25 a.m., and a potluck lunch showcasing notable events and people.
- **First, Arkadelphia** collects a specific staple food every month for the local food pantry.
- **Central Presbyterian, Pine Bluff** has sent financial gifts to a mission worker in Seoul, South Korea and seminary minister in Malawi, Africa.

### THE CHURCH CONNECTIONAL

- Joint officer training for leaders of **First, Berryville** and the Northwest Arkansas Larger Parish (**Eureka Springs and Holiday Island**) on Nov. 14-15.

#### Idea of the Month

**First, Bentonville** has a reception after worship when there is a baptism, and members are invited to bring a gift to the newest member.

## NEWS and OPPORTUNITIES

### Financial Corner: The Presbytery Budget

*Are you current with your congregation's pledge?*

October Revenue	\$ 65,426.61
October Expenses	\$ 102,654.34
October Deficit	\$ 37,227.73-

#### Year-to-Date Totals as of 10.31.08

Revenue	\$617,178.39
Expenses	\$856,698.98
Sub-Total Deficit	\$239,520.59-
Money from Reserves	\$ 81,000.00
Total Year to Date Deficit	\$158,520.59-

**Presbytery needs your support. If you are not current with your pledge, please make an effort to "catch-up."**  
Thank you, The Committee on Administration

### 2008 Gutensohn Spiritual Enrichment Series

November 15th and 16th, 2008

Allan Hugh Cole, Jr.

Associate Professor of Pastoral Care at  
Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary

Saturday, November 15th

7:00 p.m. Presentation - "Why Do We Pray?"

Sunday, November 16th:

9:00 a.m. Discussion - "What Are the Benefits of Prayer?"

10:00 a.m. Worship Service - "What's Gotten into You?"

5:00 p.m. Presentation - "How Do We Pray?"

Hosted by: First Presbyterian, Fort Smith  
479.783.8919 or linda@1pres.org

### IGP ITINERARY

Interim General Presbyter Sallie Watson will be in the following settings when not in the office between now and the next Banner publication:

- Nov. 15 Ferncliff Board Meeting & Committee on Care and Nurture of Church Professionals
- Nov. 16 Preach at First, Harrison
- Nov. 17-18 Committee on Ministry training retreat, Ferncliff
- Nov. 20 Orientation of New Ministers, Educators and Commissioned Lay Pastors, Presbytery office
- Nov. 22 General Council, Ferncliff
- Nov. 23 Preach at First, Van Buren
- Dec. 1 United Campus Ministry Board, Fayetteville
- Dec. 4 Committee on Administration

### Disaster Flood Buckets Head to Coast



Central High, Little Rock students assemble emergency clean-up buckets for shipment to Galveston, TX at Ferncliff's Disaster Assistance Center. Volunteers are needed, especially on weekdays. Phone 501.821.3063 or e-mail ferncliff@gmail.com to help.

### Arkansas Chapter of the Administrative Personnel Association Meets



Church administrative personnel gathered for a conference of classes at First United Presbyterian in Fayetteville, October 23-24 including (front) Pat Clinton (Hardy, Spring River), Pam Kerr (Harrison, First), Ruth Hough (Mountain Home, First), Becky Morgan (Bella Vista), Peggy Noble (Russellville, Central), (middle) Verna Mae Newman (Hardy, Spring River), Nancy Coleman (Little Rock, Second), Pauline Rhodes (Presbytery staff), Vicki Erickson and Cathy Sayes (Bella Vista), Linda Castleman (Clarksville, First), Sandy Phillips (Siloam Springs, First), (back) Melissa Holland (Wynne Presbyterian) and Pamela Luther (Little Rock, Second). Not pictured are Sage Arnold and Sharon Hughes (Little Rock, Second), Tracy May (Little Rock, Grace), Jennifer Oakley (North Little Rock, Park Hill Presbyterian), Mendy Leonard (Harrison, First), Debbie Heroux and Merita Van Gorden (Bull Shoals). Presenters included Elder Sandy Nelson (Clarksville, First) and Rev. Mark Lenneville (Bull Shoals). New officers are Sage Arnold, President; Ruth Hough, Vice President; Pamela Luther, Secretary; and Linda Castleman, Treasurer. This event is supported by the Committee on Care and Nurture of Church Professionals.

## God Will Do Wonders Among You!

2009 Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women

Save the date!  
July 11–15, 2009  
Louisville, Kentucky

The Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women gives you the opportunity to

- \* nurture your faith in community with women from around the world;
- \* learn about mission opportunities and justice and peace issues;
- \* develop leadership skills;
- \* participate in workshops;
- \* hear from Bible study leaders and plenary speakers;
- \* meet new friends, including Global Partners from around the world;
- \* and much more!

Adult registration for the full event includes 10 meals, all programs, tote bag and program book. Earlybird registration (January 15–May 15, 2009) is \$380. After that, registration will be \$430. One-day and weekend registration as well as registration for children (six months through 12 years) and youth (13–18 years) is also available. Some scholarships for adults are available; hotel, travel and other meals are additional.

Scholarship applications for the Churchwide Gathering are posted on presbytery's website (<http://www.presbyteryofarkansas.org/frmPresWomen.aspx>) and should be sent in by December 1.

For Information: <http://www.pcusa.org/pwgathering/>



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**110th Stated Meeting  
of the Presbytery of Arkansas  
Feb. 20-21, 2009**

**University of the Ozarks, Clarksville**

## Participant Recalls Last Small Church Conference

By Jan Enke

Seventy people braved the cold and snowy three days at Ferncliff to attend the March, 2008 Small Church Conference, representing about 30 difference churches in the Presbytery. Ferncliff's hospitality was outstanding with a great staff and delicious food. The facilities there are very comfortable and a perfect place for a conference.

Our guest speaker, Dr. David Ruesink, from Austin Seminary and Texas A & M, was very informative and motivated. He shared a lot of helpful information for the small churches, today and tomorrow, and for our leadership. Twelve different workshops were scheduled for the weekend, but the snow prevented some leaders from attending.

The planning committee is to be commended for a job well done! We are a fortunate Presbytery to have such committed people to share their God-given talents, tools and resources for the Small Churches of our church. We left knowing that being a Small Church is a positive as they are a heartbeat of God's church.

**Save the Date for next year – March 5-7, 2009 for Small Church Toolbox II!**

### NEWS OF OUR RETIRED PERSONS

- Certified Christian Educator **Linda LeBron** has moved to Little Rock from Alabama.
- **Rev. Bill Henning** of Marshall led a Christian Education seminar on "Islam, Christianity, Judaism and the ongoing conflict in the Middle East" on Oct. 24-25 at Presbyterian Church of Bella Vista.
- **Rev. Charles T. "Chuck" White** of Mountain Home has moved to Mooresville, NC.
- **Rev. Vernon "Vern" and Sally Forsberg** of Cherokee Village have moved to Madison, WI.
- Christian sympathy goes to **Rev. Nancy and Terrell Covington** of Tulsa, OK on the death of her mother M. Lucille Hardy in October. Nancy was pastor of First, Van Buren.

### Save the Date for "The Big Tent"

June 11-13, Atlanta, GA <http://www.pcusa.org/bigtent/>

(Experience 10 concurrent conferences: Healthy Ministry, Communicators' Network, National Multicultural Church, Stewardship, Evangelism and Church Growth, National Elders, Peacemaking, Social Justice, Racial Ethnic and New Immigrant Ministries.)



## RESOURCE CENTER NEWS

November, 2008

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—Good ideas surround us, and I'm always eager to pass them on. At the October presbytery meeting Rev. Carl McCormack and Christian Educator Lynn Condra led a workshop on **Pastoral Search Process** that was very well-attended. Carl has graciously placed in the Resource Center for loan several CDs of his powerpoint presentation, which walks congregations and search committees through the process. Rev. Chip Andrus led a workshop on Worship, Sacraments and Sacramental Living, relying heavily on the denominational book **"Invitation to Christ: Font & Table"** (Acc. #BK9074). Associate General Presbyter Joan Erickson taught a group about the free on-line teacher training available from the PC(USA) "Opening the Doors to Discipleship" at ([opening-doorstodiscipleship.com](http://opening-doorstodiscipleship.com)) on teaching skills, Bible

background, and Presbyterian theology.

—Another group with good ideas was the Christian Educators and Youth Directors in retreat in late October. Several women were eager to share their experience of the bestselling book **"The Shack"** by William P. Young (available in book or audio CD form in the Resource Center) as inspirational theology and an accessible Trinitarian study. Newly transplanted Christian Educator Linda LeBron shared a resource she co-authored for the denomination, **"Be Tween,"** with eight 90-min. sessions for older elementary children and eight more for their parents that "offer support, inspiration, fellowship and growth." Theresa Spragins suggested teacher training that combines church history and interpretation to look at how Presbyterians study the Bible.

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## ADVENT, CHRISTMAS, EPIPHANY RESOURCES

Do you anticipate unpredictable attendance on December 21, 28, and January 4? Those are the perfect Sundays to use items for the Resource Center to "fill in" while teachers are out, visitors are abundant, and members are traveling. **Advent traditions for children: "Martin and the Heavenly Tree: The Message of the Christmas Tree"** (Acc. #VC7420) 23-minute animated video tells the origin of Martin Luther's tree in the early 16th century and **"The Living Nativity"** (Acc. #BK7407) book recounts the story of Saint Francis of Assisi and the Christmas manger. **Christmas blessings for youth and adults: "The True Christmas Story"** (Acc. #VC7061) 45-minute video onsite in the Holy Land contrasts Herod the Great with Jesus the King, **"Were They Wise Men or Kings?"** (Acc. #BK7776) is a book of Christmas questions/answers like "what is the origin of the Christmas carol?" and **"Angels We Will Hear on High!"** (Acc. #BK8530) is a memorable collection of stories for Christmas by Rev. Art Fogartie, pastor of First, Bentonville. **Epiphany celebrations: "Mystery of the Three Kings"** (Acc. #VC8238) is Public Television's quest for the origins, vocation and gifts of the Magi (50 minutes) and **"The Fourth Wise Men"** (Acc. #VC5631) full-length movie based on Henry van Dyke's classic fictional story.

**Gift-Giving Season is upon us**, and in these difficult economic times great care should be given to choose a gift that is meaningful. Children's Bibles fill the bill quite nicely, especially the following illustrated versions which can be previewed through YOUR Resource Center. **"Children's Bible": New Revised Standard Version** (Acc. #BK9072), **"Read with Me Bible: An NIV Story Bible for Children"** (Acc. #BK8310), **"Holy Bible: Contemporary English Version"** (Acc. #BK6344), and **"Holy Bible: New International Version"** (Acc. #BK8401). They meet the criteria for selection developed by long-time educator Elizabeth Caldwell: content (which stories are included and omitted, balance Old Testament with New), translation (theology and accessibility), organization (ease of use), layout (ratio of pictures to words), and art (illustrations inclusive and age-appropriate).

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**CALENDAR**

- Nov 15 Committee on Care & Nurture of Church Professionals, Ferncliff
  - Nov 15 Ferncliff Board Meeting, Ferncliff
  - Nov 17-18 Committee on Ministry Retreat, Ferncliff
  - Nov 18 Cluster III Meeting, First, Walnut Ridge
  - Nov 20 Orientation for new Pastors, Educators & CLPs, Presbytery Office
  - Nov 22 General Council Retreat, Presbytery Office
  - Nov 26 Presbytery Office Closes at Noon (through Nov. 28) in observance of Thanksgiving
  - Dec 1 Cluster IX, Grace Presbyterian, Little Rock
  - Dec 2 Committee on Congregational Care & Development, First, Conway
  - Dec 2 Deadline for Banner Submissions
  - Dec 4 Committee on Administration, Presbytery Office/ Teleconference
  - Dec 14 Arkansas Black Presbyterian Caucus Yuletide Musical, Allison Memorial, Little Rock
- For details and additional activities please go to our website.

**Comunidad Marks Second Anniversary**



*On Sunday, Oct. 19 the Hispanic New Church Development, Comunidad Presbiteriana Hispana, celebrated their second year of work and worship with a thanksgiving service and luncheon attended by 72 persons (many as guests) and reporters from both Spanish-language newspapers. The NCD meets at First, Springdale and evangelist Rev. "Jesse" Gonzalez is the organizing pastor.*