

GLG 23-11B

To the Great Lakes Gulf Presbytery & the Immanuel Reformed Presbyterian Church Session,

I write to express with sincerity my apology for having contributed the document “Pert Records for GLG 23-1 and 23-2” to a public website on February 24, 2023.

I did so within the framework of two assumptions. First, it was my understanding that the clerk’s instruction was an advisory caution and not a binding dictate. This was on the basis of my reading of the *Directory for Church Government*, and accepted parliamentary procedures. I believed that the clerk may encourage reasonable discretion, but did not think his will represented the determination of the court.

My second assumption was that the minutes of courts are public in nature and cannot be declared confidential. This was on the basis of my understanding of the *Directory for Church Government*, *Robert’s Rules of Order*, the determinations of Synod, and circumstances of the government of the Church common to human actions and societies.

Because of these assumptions I believed the offended party was only Mr. Kuehner, and sought his forgiveness for my action. I understand that neither the Immanuel session or the Great Lakes Gulf Presbytery agrees with either of those assumptions, and have taken offense at my action.

Therefore, brothers, in an effort to walk with a clear conscience before the Lord Jesus Christ, and in integrity before men, I would humbly ask the Immanuel session and the Great Lakes Gulf Presbytery to forgive me. In contributing the document to a public website I sinned against you. What I did was unwise, it did not give honor or deference to your ecclesiastical bodies, it did not speak the truth in a seasonable way, it did not promote the trust that is needed in your courts and among brothers, it was contrary to the lawful instruction given, and it is not reflective of the relationship I desire to have among those who are co-laborers in the Lord.

With special emphasis I want to apologize to the Immanuel Reformed Presbyterian session. I know there are things that divide us and may still divide us, but my impropriety in this action was an unnecessary and avoidable contribution to further strain in this relationship.

Brothers, for these things I sincerely and with a broken spirit apologize and ask that both the Immanuel Reformed Presbyterian church session and the Great Lakes Gulf Presbytery would extend to me forgiveness, and that love that covers a multitude of sins.

I also want to affirm to these ecclesiastical bodies that my session has been informed of these things, and I am looking to their shepherding care for accountability in my continued growth in grace.

I look to that day when Jesus Christ the only Head and King of the Church will do what no man can — namely, make us truly and forever one in all things.

I am striving to boast in Christ with you all, and remain your brother and servant,



Kyle Borg