

**GREAT LAKES – GULF PRESBYTERY**  
**2024-2024 *AD INTERIM* COMMISSION**  
**REPORT TO PRESBYTERY**  
**Spring 2025 Presbytery Meeting**

The Great Lakes – Gulf Presbytery *Ad Interim* Commission for 2024/2025 was appointed at the Spring 2024 Annual Meeting of Presbytery and consists of the following five members:

Jerry Foltz, Moderator (TE, Second RPC, Indianapolis, Indiana)  
Joshua Smith, Clerk (TE, Westminster RPC, Prairie View, Illinois)  
Ken Nelson (RE, RPC of Lafayette, Indiana)  
Stephen Shipp (RE, Bloomington, Indiana RPC)  
Jeff Brotherton (RE, Belle Center, Ohio RPC)

The Commission met nine times between March 2024 and March 2025, on the following dates:

March 26, 2024	January 13, 2025
May 15, 2024	January 21, 2025
July 23, 2024	January 28, 2025
October 1, 2024	February 11, 2025
December 3, 2024	

A copy of the draft minutes (pending approval) or the final approved minutes of each meeting was distributed to the delegates of the Presbytery following each meeting.

Attached, as part of this report to Presbytery, is a Topical Summary of actions taken by the *Ad Interim* Commission, presented in a Topical Index to the Minutes. The original signed minutes of the meetings of the 2024/2025 *Ad Interim* Commission will be delivered to the Clerk of Presbytery for retention and for spreading on the minutes of Presbytery at the Spring 2025 Presbytery Meeting.

**Recommendations:**

1. That Presbytery receive this report.
2. That the Minutes of this *Ad Interim* Commission be spread on the minutes of Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Foltz, Moderator  
Joshua Smith, Clerk  
Ken Nelson  
Stephen Shipp  
Jeff Brotherton

February 12, 2025

**2024/2025 AD INTERIM COMMISSION TOPICAL SUMMARY OF ACTIONS  
AND  
INDEX TO THE MINUTES**

CONGREGATION OR TOPIC	SUMMARY OR DETAIL	MINUTES (DATE & ITEM #)
<i>Ad Interim Commission</i>	Appointment of Clerk	March 26, 2024 / 1
Approval of AIC Minutes	March 26, 2024	March 26, 2024 / Line 23
	May 15, 2024	May 15, 2024 / Line 45
	July 23, 2024	July 23, 2024 / Line 37
	October 1, 2024	October 1, 2024 / Line 40
	December 3, 2024	December 3, 2024 / Line 17
	January 13, 2025	January 13, 2025 / Line 13
	January 21, 2025	January 21, 2025 / Line 17
	January 28, 2025	January 28, 2025 / Line 29
	February 11, 2025	February 11, 2025 / Line 30
Atlanta	Request to extend the duration of T.J. Patillo's distance learning through RPTS	October 1, 2024 / 1
	Request to approve Atlanta reducing aid application through the Home Mission Board	October 1, 2024 / 2
Elkhart	Appoint a visitation committee for ERPC	February 11, 2025 / 1
	Place Rev. Wade Mann on inactive status	February 11, 2025 / 2
	Forward Rev. Wade Mann's resignation letter to presbytery	February 11, 2025 / 2
	Appoint Rev. Ian Wise as interim moderator for the Elkhart RPC Session	February 11, 2025 / 3
Hetherton	Appoint Bryan Dage as stated supply for Hetherton RPC	March 26, 2024 / 3
	Approve request that presbytery reimburse travel expenses of Hetherton provisional elders	March 26, 2024 / 4
	Appoint Rev. Phil Pockras as interim moderator for the Hetherton RPC Session	February 11, 2025 / 4

Membership	Removal of Ruben Ibarra from GLG membership roll having now become a member of Heritage Reformed Congregation in Grand Rapids, MI	May 15, 2024 / 2
	Remove Tara Wykstra from GLG membership roll having now become a member of Bethany United Reformed Church in Wyoming, MI	May 15, 2024 / 3
	Request from Membership Committee to appoint a judicial commission to meet with Nathan Enas to discuss issues concerning his view of justification	July 23, 2024 / 4
	Dismiss Joanna Byl from the GLG membership roll due to inability to make contact with her	July 23, 2024 / 6
	Transfer the membership of Rosie Abdelmessieh to The Presbyterian Church in Ainslams/Cairo	October 1, 2024 / 5
	Transfer the membership of Robert, Kim, and Lauren Thomson to Indy Reformed Church	October 1, 2024 / 6
	Transfer the membership of Elisha Enas to Second RPC Indianapolis	December 3, 2024 / 2
Presbytery	Confirm acceptance of nominations for Clerk (Nathan Eshelman) and Assistant Clerk (Joel Hart)	March 26, 2024 / 2
	Designate the time and place for a one-day Fall GLG Presbytery Meeting	July 23, 2024 / 5
	Ratify the decision made by AIC on September 18 to designate 10AM to 5PM as the appointed time for the Fall GLG Presbytery Meeting	October 1, 2024 / 3

Presbytery (continued)	Cancel the Fall GLG Presbytery Meeting	October 1, 2024 / 4
	Approve \$43,000 for the 2025 presbytery assessment	October 1, 2024 / 7
Sparta	Appoint Josh Reshey as Sparta RPC provisional elder	July 23, 2024 / 3
	Dissolve Sparta Visitation Committee	December 3, 2024 / 1
Synod	Review and approve GLG 24-7 as revised, Manring appeal amendment for transmittal to Synod	March 26, 2024 / 4
	That at-large teaching elders be certified for Synod 2024	May 15, 2024 / 1
	That the report of the Great Lakes – Gulf Presbytery to Synod be adopted and ratified	July 23, 2024 / 1
	Ratify the action taken by the AIC moderator to forward Rev. Joshua Smith's complaint (24-09) against MWP to Synod	July 23, 2024 / 2
Terre Haute	To appoint a shepherding committee to minister to Rev. Stephen Rhoda, the Rhoda family, and the Terre Haute RPC	January 21, 2025 / 1
	To accept the January 10, 2025, resignation of Rev. Stephen Rhoda as pastor of Terre Haute RPC	January 28, 2025 / 1
	To dissolve the pastoral relationship between Rev. Rhoda and the Terre Haute RPC	January 28, 2025 / 2
	To appoint Rev. Jack Baumgardner as interim moderator of the Terre Haute RPC Session	January 28, 2025 / 3
	<b>End of Items</b>	