



# MP Weekly News

April 27, 2017

## Mission Presbytery Purpose Statement

We are Mission Presbytery, serving Christ in the World. In the Reformed Tradition, together we

- Establish and equip congregations and sessions to carry out their missions;
- Recruit, receive, ordain, develop, and care for those called to service in the church;
- Enable mission and witness to the Gospel that congregations cannot accomplish alone; and
- Steward our resources faithfully and generously.

We are better together.

## Presbytery Meeting Schedule

June 23-24, 2017  
Stated Meeting  
New Braunfels, New Braunfels

New Braunfels is busy this time of year, so **make your reservations NOW** for the June meeting. Some options are:

[Hotels-New Braunfels](#)

Reports due NLT June 12,  
[officeasst@missionpby.org](mailto:officeasst@missionpby.org)

[GA Amendments](#)

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October 27-28, 2017  
Stated Meeting

## Greetings Mission Presbytery!

### Installations

You are invited to:

*the Installation of*  
**Rev. Kathryn A. Walters**  
*as Associate Pastor*

*at*  
**New Braunfels Presbyterian Church**  
*373 Howard Street*  
*New Braunfels, TX 78130*  
**Sunday, April 30, 2017**  
**3:00 PM**

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*the Installation of*  
**Rev. Matthew R. Gaventa**  
*as Pastor*

*at*  
**University Presbyterian Church**  
*2203 San Antonio Street*  
*Austin, TX 78705*  
**Sunday, May 7, 2017**  
**3:00 PM**

### Holy Smoke

**Holy Smoke 2017** will be held **Sunday, May 7, at 5:30 PM**, at **Covenant Presbyterian, 211 Roletto, San Antonio 78213!** This annual "Fun-fund-Raiser" is sponsored by the SA Presbyterian Cluster of Churches. Proceeds help build homes for Habitat for Humanity. Purchase Tickets (\$12 prior to the event; \$15 at the door) from your church's Habitat representative. [Flyer](#)

### Mission Matters

**Mission Trip to Zambia/Malawi!** MOJC is sending a delegation of eight people on this sojourn half way around the world. They leave next Monday, May 1st and return May 15th. The itinerary includes time with our Presbyterian partners in Malawi, then a visit with Charles and Melissa Johnson at [Chasefu](#)

Parkway, Corpus Christi

### Program Update from PCHAS

Austin, TX. PCHAS Board of Trustees voted unanimously on April 8, 2017 to make the following changes:

The historic children's agency will consolidate its Group Home Program onto its Itasca campus, increasing the number of Itasca group homes from four to six. One of the group homes will be reserved for a large sibling group.

A second change is...[cont.](#)

### Job Opportunities

#### Westminster Presbyterian

Austin, TX

[Dir.-Children and Family Ministries](#)

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#### Mission Presbytery

San Antonio TX

[Accountant/Bookkeeper](#)

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### SoL Center

The SoL Center, located on the campus of University PC, San Antonio, offers classes and seminars on a variety of topics. New classes available now:

[Information](#) and [Registration](#)

### Serving Mission Presbytery

The following members of Mission Presbytery currently serve you at Synod of the Sun:

#### Synod of the Sun Representatives

CRE Joe Pat Nance -

[Theological College](#) in Lundazi. Trip participants are: **Tom & Mo O'Meara, Norma Roberson, Patty Clark, Anne Detweiler, Izzie & Eddie Salinas, Krin Van Tatenhove.**

Look for reports on Facebook, the MOJC web page, and in the MOJC report for the June Presbytery meeting. Please pray for a safe and productive journey.

**Cuba Partnership:** This year, MOJC is underwriting "long distance learning" through our partnership with El Centro Presbytery in Cuba. Since there are far more churches/missions than available pastors in El Centro, this training - through the seminary in Matanzas - will help raise up new leaders and train existing ones. To learn more about our partnership, view this short [video](#) which detail ways you can get involved.

## Summer Camp Options:

### John Knox Ranch

Registration is **OPEN**, visit [www.johnknoxranch.com](http://www.johnknoxranch.com)

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### MO-Ranch Camp in the Valley

July 24-29, 2017

Traditional camp activities for boys and girls entering 5th-12th grades. <https://www.moranch.org/mo-ranch-summer-camp/summer-camp-rio-grande-valley/>

Camp will be at Loma de Vida Camp, 12505 N Hwy 281, Edinburg TX. Cost is just \$25 through your church

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### MO-Ranch Camps

June 4-July 22, [One- to two-week sessions](#), Ages 8-15

Early bird and sibling discounts available (click above)

Also, scholarships are available for [New Kid on the Block](#) and [Two Week Camp Experience](#). (remember to check two-week option).

## Have You Walked to Emmaus?

**Register Now** for a Walk to Emmaus spiritual formation weekend. Follow the links to the participation/registration form.

### June 22-25 Men's Walk

Boerne TX, Omega Center

<http://www.diakoniaemmaus.org/forms/forms/> then click on Registration Form

### July 27-30 Women's Walk

Boerne TX, Omega Center

<http://www.diakoniaemmaus.org/forms/forms/> then click on Registration Form

### September 14-17 Women's Walk

Burnett TX, Eagle's Wings Retreat Center

<http://diakonia-eagleswings.org/about-the-walk-to-emmaus/attend-a-walk-to-emmaus/> then click on Participant's

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### Corpus Christi/Coastal Bend Emmaus Community

Registration is \$190, payable to CBE; call 361-956-0361.

#### June 24-27 Women's Walk

Queen of Peace Retreat Center

#### July 27-30 Men's Walk

Queen of Peace Retreat Center

## Training Opps & Conferences

### Festival of Homiletics

May 15-19, Scottish Rite Theater & Travis Park UMC, San Antonio. <https://www.festivalofhomiletics.com/>

### College Connection Conference

May 15-19, 2017, MO-Ranch  
*Be the Change*, with David LaMotte  
[Information/Flyer](#)

### PW Horizons Bible Study Conference

June 1-2, MO-Ranch, [Flyer](#)  
"Hebrews" with Melissa Bane Sevier