

## **Minutes of the Special (Called) Meeting Mission Presbytery, December 10, 2010**

The December 10, 2010 Special (Called) Meeting of Mission Presbytery at First Presbyterian Church, San Antonio was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by the Moderator, Rev. Rob Mueller. The body convened with prayer and an Advent hymn led by Rev. John Seiders, FPC, San Antonio. Worship was led by the Moderator.

The Moderator explained the criteria for a special meeting and noted that the requisite two Ministers, and the requisite two Elders, not of the same congregation, did in fact, request the special meeting. The Stated Clerk declared the meeting in order, and the Moderator declared a quorum. No corresponding members were seated or present.

The stated purpose of the special meeting was to:

- Examine Steven Leach for ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament and to:
- Validate his call to ministry as a “Minister in Association” in the United Presbyterian Church of South Africa, Western Cape Presbytery in St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church in Cape Town, South Africa and to:
- Grant him permission to labor outside the bounds of Mission Presbytery, having been granted permission to labor within the bounds of the Western Cape Presbytery of the UPCS and to
- Empower the Moderator and Stated Clerk to appoint an Administrative Commission to ordain Steven.

Dick Powell, COM Chair, introduced Steven Leach, a candidate under the care of Mission Presbytery, and invited Michael Brundeen, examinations sub-committee chair, to initiate the examination. After pensive questions by the gathered presbyters and insightful answers by the candidate, it was moved that the exam be arrested and that Steven Leach’s examination for ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament be sustained. Motion was seconded and passed without a dissenting vote.

The COM Chair moved the call to ministry as a “Minister in Association” in the United Presbyterian Church of South Africa, Western Cape Presbytery in St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church in Cape Town, South Africa be validated, and that Steven be granted permission to labor outside the bounds of Mission Presbytery, having been granted permission to labor within the bounds of the Western Cape Presbytery of the UPCS. Motion was seconded and passed.

The Stated Clerk and Moderator named the following to the Administrative Commission to ordain Steven Leach as Minister of Word and Sacrament at First Presbyterian Church, San Antonio at 4:00 PM on Sunday, December 19, 2010:

Elder Ron Tefteller FPC, San Antonio, to preside and propound the constitutional questions  
Rev. Francisco Gracia-Treto, HR  
Rev. Rob Mueller  
Rev. Kathy Anderson  
Elder Sherryl Walsh, Northwood PC, San Antonio

No other business being appropriate, the meeting adjourned with a prayer and benediction by the moderator.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Miles White, Stated Clerk

Encl: Statement of Faith, Steven Leach