

To: Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley Re: Laboring Out of Bounds Report

Dear Fathers and Brothers,

Greetings in our Lord's great Name.

During the past year I have continued in the privilege of serving with Mission to North America as Associate Coordinator, completing 22 years of service as of April 30, 2015. As MNA steadily grows in staff and ministry programs, my work focuses primarily on assisting MNA staff members in their staff development, ministry program growth and resource development for their ministries.

For the past 10 successive years (2005 - 2014), a new PCA church planter was placed on the field in North America at an average rate of about one per week. Please continue to pray that the PCA will focus even more on training and mentoring men for church planting.

Janet and I are enjoying the Lord's goodness in sharing married life together. Our grandson Joe, now age 8, continues to live with us fulltime as he has since June 2010. We thank the Lord for His blessing us with good health and with growth in God's grace as a family.

Our home church in Asheville, North Carolina, is Grace and Peace Presbyterian. I lead a brief study in the Shorter Catechism one Sunday each month in the worship service; during 2014 and early 2015, I preached and administered the Lord's Supper when the pastor was absent. These opportunities to preach in the context of a congregation I know and love are most welcome.

During the next twelve months, pray especially for God's leading in provision of a successor to Jim Bland as MNA Coordinator, upon Jim's retirement as of June 2016. We pray that God will bring the kind of leader who will be able to build upon the previous progress with which God has blessed MNA in our calling to coordinate the extension of the church in United States and Canada.

Thank you for your prayer support and encouragement personally in my work, and for the generous participation of the churches of the presbytery in the Lord's work through MNA. I ask that the presbytery permit me to continue to labor in this call for another year.

Sincerely in Christ,

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MNA Associate Coordinator

