



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 23 years of service as of April 30, 2016. A highlight for the past 10 months has been working with the Antioch Fund for Church Multiplication, a major donor gift for the purpose of training and mentoring growing numbers of PCA church planters going to the field each year. Please pray that God will use this funding to greatly increase the harvest in people coming to Christ and in church planting. It has been a great joy to see how God is already using these new resources to stir the vision and expectation of His people.

Janet and I are enjoying the Lord's goodness in sharing married life together. Our grandson Joe, now age 9, 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.

Through the summer of 2015, I led a brief study in the Shorter Catechism one Sunday each month in the worship service of our home church in Asheville, and also occasionally preached and administered the Lord's Supper when the pastor was absent. While I have temporarily set these aside due to additional work required of me in the MNA Coordinator transition, I expect to resume them in the future, keeping me in frequent teaching, preaching and administering the Lord's Supper. I continue to have occasional opportunities to preach and teach in my MNA work.

Along with the MNA Permanent Committee and Staff, I rejoice in God's leading in the call of Paul Hahn to succeed Jim Bland as MNA Coordinator. Paul has already begun with strong leadership, building 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,

Fred Marsh
MNA Associate Coordinator