

Overture to Calvary Presbytery

The Session of Woodruff Road Presbyterian Church proposes the following overture to the 44th General Assembly.

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Whereas, we, as Christians, believe that all men and women are created in the “image of God” and are thereby individually of infinite worth and value and entitled to the utmost respect ...

“Then God said, ‘Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness’ ... So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.” (Genesis 1:26-27).

Whereas, we, as Christians, take the Biblical position stated by the Apostle Paul as recorded by the Apostle Luke that all men are of “one blood”, and are descended from common parents, Adam and Eve ...

“And He made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth.” (Acts 17:26).

Whereas, we, as Christians, know that in our Lord Jesus Christ all walls of separation, ceremonial and otherwise, are discarded, and we are all through His death adopted, reconciled and united as brothers and sisters in one perfect body as one new man in Him ...

“He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both in God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity (Ephesians 2:14-16)

Be it resolved that in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ

We reject “race-based” slavery as wicked, immoral, prideful and arrogant

We reject legalized and institutionalized “racial” segregation as being wicked, immoral, prideful, arrogant, and against the clear teaching and spirit of the New Testament

We call on all people everywhere, and in particular all churches and members of the PCA, who had or have anything to do with the promotion and continuance of racial segregation to repent of their sin

We call on all people everywhere, and in particular all churches and members of the PCA, that were or are apathetic or indifferent to racial injustice to repent of their sin

We call on all people everywhere, and in particular all churches and members of the PCA, to seek reconciliation with our brothers and sisters of all ethnic groups for the glory of God and the furtherance of the Gospel

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ATTEST:

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