

## **Report on the meeting of Classis Central US of the URCNA**

Convening at Oak Glen United Reformed Church of Lansing, IL — September 10-11, 2012

One overture, reports from churches and functionaries, appointments, and requests for advice occupied the time and attention of the recent meeting of the URCNA's Classis Central US.

Meeting at the Oak Glen United Reformed Church of Lansing, Classis Central US convened its 33<sup>rd</sup> meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 10, concluding by mid-afternoon of the following day.

The evening session involved hearing from the Cornerstone URC in Sanborn as well as from Rev. Larry Johnson concerning his taking a Bible teaching position at a Christian school in West Michigan; they were advised to continue working together.

In the morning session, delegates heard reports as well as a greeting from the fraternal delegate from the RCUS. Then a report was received from the Immanuel URC of DeMotte, IN concerning the recently-created Church Planting Advice Committee (CPAC). At Immanuel URC's recommendation, Immanuel URC was appointed as the supervising Consistory for the CPAC and five men were appointed to the CPAC. After these appointments, Classis discussed an overture to add a church order article concerning lapsed membership. After profitable discussion, the overture was tabled indefinitely to allow it to be refined based on the discussion.

The Classis appointed an alternate for the Federation Missions Committee as well as a representative and alternate for the Psalter Hymnal Committee.

The Classis then entered into executive session to give advice to four Consistories concerning discipline matters.

The next meeting of Classis Central US is scheduled for April 15, 2013, the Lord willing. The Consistory of Lynwood URC of Lansing, IL, is the convening consistory.

Classis wishes to express its sincere appreciation to the members of Oak Glen United Reformed Church of Lansing for their gracious hospitality; to the Consistory of Oak Glen United Reformed Church for its work in preparing for this meeting; and to Rev. John Vermeer and Rev. Keith Davis for their commendable service as chairman and vice-chairman, respectively.

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