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- **Welcomed our Mexican partners** from *El Presbiterio del Golfo de Mexico* in Tabasco with both presbyteries deeply affirming our desire to see this partnership continue. Hear of the medical clinic progress. Only 3 spaces left for the **January Mexico Trip**.
- Learned that our 2¢ a Meal offering is supporting children in Malawi
- Council presented a budget report in the packet.
- Reviewed a New Church Development Manual for upcoming efforts in our bounds
- **Committee on Ministry:**
  - Received 5 new ministers into the Presbytery, including welcoming **Rev. Charles Elliott as our interim General Presbyter & stated clerk** - starting Jan 1, 2012
  - Congratulated Rev. Dr. Hazel Wilson in transitioning from Central Mission Coordinator to designated pastor of Mount Pelier Presbyterian Church
  - Commissioned 2 Commissioned Ruling Elders (formerly CLP's)
  - Recognized the retirements of Keith Miller, Suzanne Simpson and David Walker (with a special "roast" for David)
- Installed the **2011-2012 Youth Council** [www.presbycc.org/youth/](http://www.presbycc.org/youth/) Upcoming retreats for all youth at Kirkwood in November and March, see website.
- **Elected** our GA & Synod commissioners, the search committee for General Presbyter/ Stated Clerk as well as those on various committees. Please pray for them.
- Mr. Jay Bender installed as moderator of the presbytery with Rev. Hannah Vaughn as vice-moderator for 2012.
- Nominations committee of presbytery needs names of folks willing to serve, and yes, you can self-refer! See [www.presbycc.org/pdf/volunteerform.doc](http://www.presbycc.org/pdf/volunteerform.doc)
- Grants from both Revitalization/Transformation and Mission & Outreach Committee were passed out.
- **"Wish list" for Monroe Camp & Retreat Center** is on Pg. 33 of the packet, Please help!
- Register now for **Officer Training** at [www.presbycc.org](http://www.presbycc.org)! Nov. 5 and 12, 2011
- **Equipping the Saints** workshop will be Feb. 11 at Graves Memorial in Clinton, NC
- **Presbyterian Men trip to Kenya** in 2012 is announced on Pgs. 61-63 of the packet.
- Mark your calendars for Jan. 28-29, for the 2012 Douglas H. Clark and Carolyn J. Clark Convocation at First Presbyterian, Lumberton, NC featuring Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson, Director of Public Witness Presbyterian Church (USA) Washington Office.
- **Need help with Christian Ed.?**  
Contact your POINT person: Eastern Community—Suzy Edwards; Central Community—Pam Taber; Western Community—Betty Pope; or Kaye Bledsoe, Resource Center
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