

ANNUAL PWP HISTORICAL REPORT - YEAR: 2008
PWS HISTORIAN - SARAH A. FORD

A mailing to each PWP Historian listed in our PWS Directory was sent on August 24, 2009. Except for coverletter, all material consisted of handouts which were either copied or reprinted from the handouts that were used at the churchwide training (held in spring, 2007 and/or as updated). The 2009 mailing included the following material:

- 1) Coverletter
- 2) Historical Annual Report (form revised to show my address, etc.)
- 3) Handout H-2: What are the Responsibilities of a PW Historian?
- 4) Handout H-3: When and Where Do I Send My History?
- 5) Handout H-4: How Does the PW Historian in the Presbytery Work
With The Congregation
- 6) Handout H-5: Helpful Hints for Historians
- 7) Workshop for Historians (printed from website – 2008/2009)

Reporting Date Schedules

The churchwide dates (every year) for submitting the PW Historian Reports are –

<u>Date</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>Send To</u>	<u>With Copy To</u>
January 31	PWC	to PWP	Columbia Theological Seminary
March 31	PWP	to PWS	
April 30	PWS	to Presbyterian Historical Society	
	PWS	to PW Churchwide Historian	

Annual Historical Reports Sent To Presbyterian Historical Society / Churchwide Historian

At the time that the PWS report was completed on April 28, 2009, seven (7) “full” PWP Annual Historical Reports had been received. (*“Full” means that the report came from a PWP Historian and that the report was a compilation of all PWC reports that she had received.*)

The full reports received are listed below:

- Presbytery of East Tennessee (Evelyn Flores)
- Presbytery of Mid-Kentucky (Mary Tolbert)
- Presbytery of Mississippi (Patty McKinley)
- Presbytery of North Alabama (Mamie Jones)
- Presbytery of South Alabama (Betty Sweet)
- Presbytery of Sheppards & Lapsley (Mary Ponder)
- Presbytery of Western Kentucky (Brenda Wright)

Additionally, thirteen (13) reports were received from individual PWC’s (from six (6) different presbyteries).

The individual PWC reports are listed below:

- East Tennessee: Graystone Presbyterian, Knoxville, TN
- Fairmont Presbyterian, Knoxville, TN
- Second Mile Presbyterian, Chattanooga, TN
- New Providence Presbyterian, Maryville, TN
- Holston Bethel Presbyterian, Dandridge, TN
- Erwin Presbyterian, Erwin, TN
- Mississippi Long Beach Presbyterian, Long Beach, MS

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Individual PWC Reports Cont'd:

	Vernal Presbyterian, Lucedale, MS
	Westminster Presbyterian, Natchez
North Alabama	First Presbyterian, Florence, AL *
	First Presbyterian, Fort Payne, AL
South Alabama	Springhill Presbyterian Church, Springhill, AL
Transylvania	Maxwell Street Presbyterian, Lexington, KY

The following PWC and PWP Annual Historical Reports Not Received in Time to be Included in PWS April 2009 Report:

Holston Presbytery (Judy Neas)
Presbytery of Mid-South (Dot Hathaway)
Presbytery of St. Andrew (Andrea Marshall)
Presbytery of Transylvania (Sue Baker)
and
Individual PWC report: Mid-Kentucky Presbytery – John Knox Presbyterian

No PWC or PWP Annual Historical Reports were received from the one (1) presbytery:

Presbytery of Middle Tennessee

PWS Annual Historical Reports Submitted

All PW Annual Historical Reports received by April 28, 2009 were included in the PWS Historical Annual Reports which was sent to Presbyterian Historical Society (April 29, 2009) and to the PW Churchwide Historian (April 29, 2009).

A listing of all PWC annual historical reports received as of September 18, 2009 are listed, per presbytery, in **Attachment A** (pages 3-5).

The statistical data for all annual historical reports received as of September 18, 2009 are given in **Attachment B** (page 6).

Acknowledgement of Receipt of Reports

On July 10, post cards were mailed to all PWP Historians and to the listed PWC Historians to advise that their reports had been received. Exception: St. Andrews (report was received September 17, 2009)

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Attachment A: All PWC Annual Historical Reports received by April 28, 2009 were Sent to Presbyterian Historical Society and to the PW Churchwide Historian.

Alabama Presbyteries

North Alabama - Number PWC's in report: 14

Athens, First	Hartselle, First
Athens, Copeland	Huntsville, Faith
Decatur, First	Huntsville, Fellowship
Decatur, Westminster	Huntsville, First
Florence, First	Huntsville, Trinity
Fort Payne, First	Muscle Shoals, Old Brick
Guntersville, First	Sheffield, First

Sheppards & Lapsley - Number PWC's in report: 30 (19 Full, 11 Necrology only)

Anniston, First	
Anniston, First United	Hoover, Oakmont
Anniston, Covenant	Montgomery, Westminster
Anniston, Church of the Good shepherd	Springhill, Springhill
Auburn, First	Sylacauga, Sylacauga
Bessemer, Good Hope	Talladega, First
Birmingham, First	Tuscaloosa, Brown-Memorial
Birmingham, South Highland	Tuscaloosa, First
Carbon Hill, Carbon Hill	Trussville, Trussville
Hoover, Chapel in the Pines	Vestavia, Hills Southminster
<u>Necrology Reports Only (11) ***</u>	
Arlington, Arlington	Bold Springs, Bold Springs
Birmingham, 5 Mile	Eufaula, First
Birmingham, Independent	Montgomery, Calvary
Birmingham, Mountain Brook	Montgomery, Memorial
Birmingham, Shades Valley	Selma, First
	Tuskegee, Westminster

South Alabama - Number PWC's in report: 20 (13 full reports + 7 partial reports)

Andalusia, First	Mobile, Cottage Hill
Dothan, Evergreen	Mobile, Government Street
Fairhope, Trinity	Mobile, Springhill*
Foley, First	Mobile, Westminster
Foley, Swift	Orange Beach, Ocean Beach
Gulf Shores, First	Stockton, Stockton
Jackson, First	
<u>Necrology Reports Only (7) ***</u>	
Bay Minette, First**	Mobile, Central
Grand Bay, Green Bay	Mobile, Grace
Enterprise, Greenhill**	Mobile, Overlook
	Spanish Fort, Spanish Fort

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Kentucky Presbyteries

Presbytery of Mid-Kentucky - This was a narrative report, however sufficient data was provided and was included in Synod report.

Number PWC's included in report: 9

Columbia	Meadowview
Beulah	New Goshen
Faith	Peace
First Presbyterian	Second Presbyterian
	Westwood Presbyterian

Transylvania (1 PWC Report (Lexington, Maxwell) was received and included in PWS report. The other 15 PWC reports received after April 28, 2009.)

Number PWC's in report: 16

Augusta, Augusta	Lexington, Maxwell
Augusta, Sharon	Lexington, Mt. Horeb
Cynthiana, Cynthiana	Maryville, First
Georgetown, First	Nicholsville, Nicholsville
Harlan, First	Paris, First
Lexington, Beaumont	Pikesville, First
Lexington, First	Richmond, First
Lexington, Hunters Perch	Versailles, Pisgah

Western Kentucky – Number PWC's in report: 36

This was a narrative report, however sufficient data was provided for this report. A listing of PWC's was not given. There are 36 PWC's in the Presbytery; the names of specific churches reporting were not listed.

Mississippi Presbyteries

Mississippi - Number PWC's in report: 18

Canton, First	Lucedale, Vernal
Diamonhead, Diamondhead Community	Magnolia, Magnolia
Gautier, Gautier	McComb, J. J. White
Gulfport, Westminster	Meridian, Jones Memorial
Hattiesburg, Westminster	Meridian, Prospect
Jackson, Briarwood	Natchez, First
Jackson, Faith	Natchez, Westminster
Laurel, First	Ocean Springs, First
Long Beach, Long Beach	Pass Christian, Pineville

St. Andrew - Report received after April 28, 2009.

Number PWC's included in report: 2

Leland, Leland	Starkville, First
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Tennessee Presbyteries

East Tennessee Number PWC's in report: 17

Chattanooga Second	LaFollette, First
Chattanooga, New Hope	Knoxville, Cross Roads
Chattanooga, Northside	Knoxville, Eastminster
Cleveland, First	Knoxville, Graystone
Cleveland, Northside	Knoxville, Fairmont
Farner, Farner	Knoxville, Lake Hills
Farragut, Farragut	Knoxville, Sequoyah Hills
Greenback, Greenback	Maryville, Highlands
	Maryville, New Providence

Holston – (Report received after April 28, 2009; 2 PWC Reports Received and included in PWS Report: Dandridge, Bethel and Erwin, Erwin.)

Number PWC's in report: 14

Bristol, Rosemont	Kingsport, Bethel
Dandridge, Bethel	Kingsport, First
Erwin, Erwin	Kingsport, Prestonville
Greenville, Timber Ridge	Morristown, First
Johnson City, Covenant	Mt. Carmel, Westridge
Johnson City, Watauga	Rogersville, Liberty
Kingsport, Bethany	Strawberry Plains, Strawberry Plains

Middle Tennessee

(No Reports Received)

Mid-South - Report received after April 28, 2009.

Number PWC's in report: 16

Advent	Farmington
Balmoral	Germantown
Bartlett, Grace	Idlewild
Buntyn	Memphis, Parkway Garden United
Caruthersville, Firat	Paris, First
Collierville	Piggott, First
Cordova	West Memphis, First
Evergreen	Woodland United

*** Denotes that PWC historian sent copy of same report which was sent to the PWP Historian.**

**** Denotes PW leadership data and Necrology included in PWS report.**

***** Denotes Necrology only included in PWS report**

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Attachment B: Statistical Data (Adjusted to include reports received after April 28, 2009)
The only data included in the April PWS report are in brackets.

One hundred ninety-two (111) PWC's from eleven of the twelve presbyteries in the Synod of Living Waters submitted an Annual Historical Report Form. Note that two presbyteries sent good data, but did not report how many PWC's were included in the report; and one presbytery had only two churches submitting reports. Of the churches submitting reports, eighteen submitted only necrology data.

All PWC reports did not give data for the same categories; however, most of them had a common thread. Based on that commonality, the following data is reported:

Number of Active PW: 6,311 (4,587) - Many submitted actual number of women in the congregation, but also listed "active" women. This report includes only active PW.

Number of Circles: 245 (168) - Some were morning circles, some evening circles and some were referred to as special circles such as knitting, shawl and lunch circles.

Church Leadership – All did not address this item - trustees and deacons were also mentioned and are included in the number for committees.

Session: 831 (599) women served on sessions

Congregational Committees: 628 (460) women served on various church committees

Presbytery: 106 (62) women served on various Presbytery committees

Necrology: 343 (307) – Number of women lost during 2008

Offerings: Some PWC's indicated that a gift was given, but did not list the amount.

Thank Offering	(\$ 28,352.78)	\$ 38,477.11
Birthday Offering	(\$ 31,677.27)	\$ 42,774.76
Mission	(\$ 79,157.06)	\$ 83,305.50

NOTE: Mission includes local, churchwide & other missions; a number of PWC's lumped their givings in such a way that it could not be easily separated.

Bible Study: All PWC's indicated that they used a Bible study program, most indicated that they used the Horizon Bible Study.

Other Most Often Reported Data

Most PWC's indicated that they supported the following missions, although they did not always indicate the amount given/donated:

Joy Gift	Least Coin / Two Cents / Five Cents per Meal
Clothing assistance	Honorary Life Memberships
Shoe boxes / Stocking stuffers	Columbus Friendship Circle / Mission Haven
Meals-on-Wheels / Food pantry	Child care / School resources
Children homes	Nursing homes / Elderly assistance
Health care	Mission trips / Mission work / Sewing