

President's Report
2024

“Occupy – do the work of our Father until He comes”
Luke 19:13b

As we actively wait until He comes, God is doing some wonderful things. Please take time to talk to our pastors to hear what God is doing.

This past year, the board has diligently...

1. Worked on giving a different flavor to our annual business meeting.
2. Kept up with information on regional reconstruction considering the form of and revising of our Superintendents job description
3. We donated finances to the upkeep of the William Mill Chapel

Some issues of concern, we have discussed are...

1. With the use of social media be aware of ministry liability issues.
2. Let us be reminded of church and pastoral ethics.
3. Make sure church incorporation papers are properly filed and kept up to date with the Secretary of State in your respective state.

I have spent a great amount of time with a couple of issues this year...

1. Camp Greene which has been sold and the corporation has been dissolved
2. A conference church which has some sensitive and special issues

This year we have lost devoted members of our denomination and conference, and they will be greatly missed.

1. Wilma Briggs who faithfully served on the RI and Eastern CT board for many years
2. Donna Hett, a beloved pastor's wife
3. Ray Marco, who was originally from South Kingstown, RI.

As always, I suggest if your community observes National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 2, get involved.

Lastly, I want to thank Josh Alves, for his service on the board. He has moved to Maine. Also, many thanks to the Restoration network for providing support and fellowship for our pastors, plus their overall support for the Conference. The Conference Board is to be thanked for the work they have done to put together our annual business meeting.

I would like to remind us of a few responsibilities we have...

1. To out our annual minister's and church report and send it in
2. Our partnership giving to this Conference of \$7.50 per church member
3. To tithe 5% to each the Advent Christian General Conference and Eastern Regional Conference of the Advent Christian Churches
4. Giving to Penny Crusade so our Missions Department may continue to fee, reach, and build churches in our lost and dying world.

Let us pray for...

The pastor's, ministers, and the church leaders of the Heritage Conference.
Our churches, their health and growth
God's calling on people to be church planters
Salvation of the lost
A fresh move of His Spirit

May the Glory of God shine in our churches as it did in the house of Obed-Edom and we experience the overwhelming blessings of His presence. As we look forward let us work together for the Kingdom of God and move forward in the power of the Holy Spirit.

In Christ, our Lord and Savior

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