

**Committee on Ministry
Presbytery of Prospect Hill
Report to Presbytery**

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Committee on Ministry

Betty Weidert, Chair

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A. Activities/ Action since last Presbytery Meeting

- COM has decided to move from Triennial visits to Biennial visits to churches to improve communications.
- Biennial visits were done at Armstrong and Ringsted.
- Approved the Covenant of Ministry for Elder Pastor Lorna Peters and the Lawton and Bronson churches. (Terms to be included on Presbytery report)
- Subcommittee of COM has been interviewing candidates for Designated Pastor for LeMars PUCC
- Two members of the committee attended the Mennonite training on Reconciliation and Healing in Ames.
- Committee is working to establish leave policies and evaluation tools for pastors.

B. Items needing Action by Presbytery

- Recommend the presbytery raise the beginning effective salary for a full-time, installed pastor in PPH to \$38,450, effective July 1, 2008.
- Recommend the approval of the dissolution between the Lake Park Presbyterian Church and Rev. Donna Gray vote on favorably by the congregation on April 20, 2008 with the following terms:

Effective date – May 18, 2008

Concluding date – September 30, 2008 or until effective date of a new call.

Severance paid May 19,2008

2 weeks vacation for 2008 \$893.42

7 continuing Education days from 2007 \$625.39

Continue paying salary plus 403B for 4 ½ months

Salary & 403B \$8,940.78 Maximum

Board of Pensions (Medical & Pension) \$3,497.88 Maximum

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