

Advisory Committee 1, Synodical Services and Structure I, Rev. Joseph Vanden Akker reporting, presents the following:

I. Ministerial retirements

A. Information: Synod has received notice of the following ministerial retirements:

<i>Minister</i>	<i>Classis</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>
Bruce Adema	Quinte	January 29, 2024
James Boer	Grand Rapids South	March 10, 2024
Robert Boersma	Grand Rapids South	January 19, 2024
Russell Boersma	Northcentral Iowa	January 1, 2024
Steven Boersma	Heartland	December 31, 2023
James Busscher	Illiana	August 16, 2023
Donald Cowart	Central California	May 31, 2024
Larry Doornbos	Holland	February 11, 2024
Willem du Plessis	Toronto	August 30, 2023
John Dykhuis	Red Mesa	September 30, 2023
Maged Fayez	Greater Los Angeles	March 1, 2024
Edward Jager	Huron	August 31, 2023
Neil Jasperse	Grand Rapids North	September 30, 2023
Stanley Jim	Red Mesa	September 1, 2023
John Bokjin Kim	Hanmi	September 12, 2023
Stanley Kruis	Pacific Northwest	June 30, 2023
Heung Rok (James) Lee	Greater Los Angeles	May 7, 2024
Won Chol Ma	Greater Los Angeles	May 7, 2024
Henry Nanninga	Eastern Canada	September 3, 2023
Darren Roorda	Niagara	October 25, 2023
Steven Rusticus	Holland	October 5, 2023
Paula Seales	Grand Rapids East	March 1, 2024
Lambert Sikkema	Central California	December 1, 2023
Stephen Tamming	Huron	September 1, 2023
Andrew Turkstra	B.C. North-West	November 29, 2023
Dirk van der Vorst	Rocky Mountain	September 11, 2023
John Van Sloten	Alberta South/ Saskatchewan	March 1, 2024
Peter VanderBeek	B.C. North-West	June 24, 2023
Andrew Vander Leek	B.C. South-East	July 15, 2023
Harry Zantingh	Alberta North	June 30, 2023

B. Commissioned pastors having reached retirement age under Church Order Article 24 and emeritus status noted

<i>Name</i>	<i>Classis</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>
Robert Grussing, emeritus	Grand Rapids South	September 1, 2023
Michael Gulotta, emeritus	Columbia	November 30, 2023
Liz Tolkamp, emerita	B.C. South-East	October 17, 2023
Norman Viss, emeritus	Hackensack	November 5, 2023

C. Recommendations

1. That synod recognize with gratitude the faithful gospel ministry of the 30 ministers of the Word listed above.
2. That synod recognize with gratitude the faithful ministry of the six commissioned pastors listed above.

II. Work of the synodical deputies

A. Ministers from other denominations, Church Order Article 8

1. Synodical deputies S. Muilenburg (Minnkota), C. Hoekstra (Iakota), and R. Boersma (Northcentral Iowa), having heard the colloquium doctum (doctrinal conversation) of **Rev. Jordan Helming**, in accordance with Church Order Article 8, and having received the favorable recommendation of the Candidacy Committee, concur in the decision of Classis Heartland, in session on March 9, 2024, to declare him eligible for call to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America. The calling church is First Christian Reformed Church of Orange City, IA.
2. Synodical deputies A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), P. Kornilov (Hackensack), and J. Vande Werken (Atlantic Northeast), having heard the colloquium doctum (doctrinal conversation) of **Rev. Lloyd Hong**, in accordance with Church Order Article 8, and having received the favorable recommendation of the Candidacy Committee, concur in the decision of Classis Hudson, in session on March 21, 2024, to declare him eligible for call to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America. The calling church is Deep-Rooted Tree of Life Christian Reformed Church of Englewood, New Jersey.
3. Synodical deputies P. Kornilov (Hackensack), J. Vande Werken (Atlantic Northeast), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having heard the colloquium doctum (doctrinal conversation) of **Rev. Michael Johnson**, in accordance with Church Order Article 8, and having received the favorable recommendation of the Candidacy Committee, concur in the decision of Classis Hudson, in session on May 16, 2024, to declare him eligible for call to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America. The calling church is Cedar Hill Christian Reformed Church of Wyckoff, New Jersey.
4. Synodical deputies J. Scripps (Georgetown), T. Leunk (Grand Rapids East), and L. Mensink (Grandville), having heard the colloquium doctum (doctrinal conversation) of **Rev. Hyon Joong Lim**, in accordance with Church Order Article 8, and having received the favorable

recommendation of the Candidacy Committee, concur in the decision of Classis Lake Erie, in session on March 2, 2024, to declare him eligible for call to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America. The calling church is All Nations Community Church of Toledo, Ohio.

5. Synodical Deputies A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), P. Kornilov (Hackensack), and J. Vande Werken (Atlantic Northeast), having heard the colloquium doctum (doctrinal conversation) of **Rev. Jun (Mark) Park**, in accordance with Church Order Article 8, and having received the favorable recommendation of the Candidacy Committee, concur in the decision of Classis Hudson, in session on March 21, 2024, to declare him eligible for call to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America. The calling church is Love Global Vision Christian Reformed Church of Clifton, New Jersey.
6. Synodical Deputies P. Vander Klay (Central California), E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), and J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), having heard the colloquium doctum (doctrinal conversation) of **Rev. Jose Pinero**, in accordance with Church Order Article 8, and having received the favorable recommendation of the Candidacy Committee, concur in the decision of Classis California South, in session on March 14, 2024, to declare him eligible for call to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America. The calling church is Iglesia Cristiana El Sembrador CRC of Fontana, California.
7. Synodical Deputies J. Van Schepen (Columbia), B. Lanting (North Cascades), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having heard the colloquium doctum (doctrinal conversation) of **Rev. D'Vante Rolle**, in accordance with Church Order Article 8, and having received the favorable recommendation of the Candidacy Committee, concur in the decision of Classis Pacific Northwest, in session on October 23, 2023, to declare him eligible for call to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America. The calling church is Kelsey Creek Christian Reformed Church of Bellevue, Washington.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

B. Extension of eligibility for call under Church Order Article 8

1. Synodical deputies P. Van Dyken (Hackensack), M. Stegink (Hudson), and G. Besteman (Southeast U.S.), having heard the discussion of Classis Atlantic Northeast, in session on October 5, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Supplement Article 8, C, 3, that **Rev. Daniel Vos's** eligibility for call is extended for one year.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

C. *Classical examination of candidates, Church Order Article 10*

1. Synodical deputies A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), D. Fakkema (Pacific Northwest), and D. Swinney (Alberta South/Saskatchewan), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Alberta North, in session October 13, 2023, to admit candidate **Tomas Axeland** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
2. Synodical deputies W. Davelaar (Northcentral Iowa), P. Westra (Heartland), and C. Hoekstra (Iakota), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Minnkota, in session September 14, 2023, to admit candidate **Joshua Carpenter** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
3. Synodical deputies M. Bouma (B.C. North-West), D. Recker (North Cascades), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Pacific Northwest, in session October 5, 2023, to admit candidate **Bradley Diekema** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
4. Synodical deputies M. Bouma (B.C. North-West), D. Recker (North Cascades), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Pacific Northwest, in session October 5, 2023, to admit candidate **Jeremy Engbers** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
5. Synodical deputies D. Fakkema (Pacific Northwest), A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Alberta North, in session March 8, 2024, to admit candidate **Cathy Ferchau** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
6. Synodical deputies B. Hofman (Heartland), C. Hoekstra (Iakota), R. Boersma (Northcentral Iowa), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Lake Superior, in session September 19, 2023, to admit candidate **Matthew Guichelaar** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
7. Synodical deputies E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), and D. Yi (Ko-Am), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the

- decision of Classis Central California, in session March 5, 2024, to admit candidate **Dylan Harper** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
8. Synodical deputies M. Borst (Pacific Northwest), A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), and B. Lanting (North Cascades), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis B.C. South-East, in session October 17, 2023, to admit candidate **Jonathan Hwang** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 9. Synodical deputies P. Westra (Heartland), R. Boersma (Northcentral Iowa), and C. Hoekstra (Iakota), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Lake Superior, in session October 23, 2023, to admit candidate **Joseph Hwang** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 10. Synodical deputies J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), D. Yi (Ko-Am), and E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Central California, in session October 3, 2023, to admit candidate **Eunice Kim** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 11. Synodical deputies J. Scripps (Georgetown), P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Holland, in session August 10, 2023, to admit candidate **Kevin Kornelis** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 12. Synodical deputies S. Couperus (Huron), D. Nieuwstraten (Hamilton), and R. Grift (Toronto), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Ontario Southwest, in session October 10, 2023, to admit candidate **William Jones** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 13. Synodical deputies S. Cooper (Toronto), S. Couperus (Huron), and J. Ryzebol (Niagara), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Ontario Southwest, in session February 3, 2024, to admit candidate **Daniel Meyers** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 14. Synodical deputies R. Boersma (Northcentral Iowa), B. Hofman (Heartland), and R. Sparks (Minnkota), having heard the examina-

- tion for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Central Plains, in session February 24, 2024, to admit candidate **Brandon Mick** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
15. Synodical deputies R. Boersma (Northcentral Iowa), C. Hoekstra (Iakota), and J. Hollendoner (Illiana), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Northern Illinois, in session March 6, 2024, to admit candidate **Robert Moore III** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 16. Synodical deputies C. Walters (Georgetown), A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), and L. Mensink (Grandville), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Grand Rapids South, in session February 1, 2024, to admit candidate **Anastaze Nzabonimpa** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 17. Synodical deputies P. Apoll (Ontario Southwest), J. Tuininga (Quinte), and M. Bootsma (Hamilton), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Huron, in session October 16, 2023, to admit candidate **Cameron Oegema** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 18. Synodical deputies P. Van Dyken (Hackensack), G. Besteman (Southeast U.S.), and R. Sparks (Minnkota), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Atlantic Northeast, in session November 10, 2023, to admit candidate **Blake Phillips** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 19. Synodical deputies P. Vander Klay (Central California), M. Borst (Pacific Northwest), and D. Recker (North Cascades), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Columbia, in session February 24, 2024, to admit candidate **Ryan Poelman** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 20. Synodical deputies D. Recker (North Cascades), D. Fakkema (Pacific Northwest), and N. de Koning (Alberta North), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis B.C. North-West, in session October 17, 2023, to admit candidate **Jenn Richards** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.

21. Synodical deputies D. Roeda (Chicago South), P. Westra (Heartland), W. Sytsma (Illiana), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Wisconsin, in session September 26, 2023, to admit candidate **Kurtis Ritsema** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
22. Synodical deputies L. Van Dyke (Muskegon), J. Scripps (Georgetown), and S. Terpstra (Zeeland), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Holland, in session October 5, 2023, to admit candidate **Benjamin Snoek** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
23. Synodical deputies D. Roeda (Chicago South), P. Westra (Heartland), and J. Hollendonner (Illiana), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Wisconsin, in session February 17, 2024, to admit candidate **Evan Tinklenberg** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
24. Synodical deputies J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), D. Yi (Ko-Am), and E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Central California, in session October 3, 2023, to admit candidate **Zachary Toth** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
25. Synodical deputies S. Couperus (Huron), J. Klingenberg (Niagara), and R. Grift (Toronto), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Quinte, in session September 26, 2023, to admit candidate **John VanderWindt** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
26. Synodical deputies S. Couperus (Huron), R. Grift (Toronto), and M. Bootsma (Hamilton), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Niagara, in session February 28, 2024, to admit candidate **Jolene Veenstra** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
27. Synodical deputies W. Sytsma (Illiana), M. Pluimer (Wisconsin), and J. Huizinga (Northern Illinois), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Chicago South, in session July 25, 2023, to admit candidate **Peter Vos** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.

28. Synodical deputies P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), L. Van Dyke (Muskegon), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Grand Rapids North, in session January 16, 2024, to admit candidate **Marissa Walters** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
29. Synodical deputies P. DeVries (Thornapple Valley), D. Sarkipato (Kalamazoo), and P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session January 18, 2024, to admit candidate **Zhengfei "Stone" Wang** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
30. Synodical deputies A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), D. Fakkema (Pacific Northwest), and D. Swinney (Alberta South/Saskatchewan), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis Alberta North, in session October 13, 2023, to admit candidate **Wendy Werkman** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
31. Synodical deputies D. Recker (North Cascades), D. Fakkema (Pacific Northwest), and N. de Koning (Alberta North), having heard the examination for ordination in accordance with Church Order Article 10, concur in the decision of Classis B.C. North-West, in session October 17, 2023, to admit candidate **Josephine Wong** to the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

D. Ministers in specialized services, Church Order Article 12-c

1. Synodical deputies D. Roeda (Chicago South), J. Hollendoner (Illiana), and M. Pluimer (Wisconsin), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of Loop Church/L'arche Oak Park of Chicago, Illinois, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Northern Illinois, in session on September 20, 2023, to approve the position of Executive Director and Community Leader as consistent with the ministry of the Word. This position is to be filled by **Rev. Michael Altena**.
2. Synodical deputies D. Fauble (Grandville), D. Spoelma (Holland), and T. Slachter (Zeeland), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of Heritage Christian Reformed Church of Kalamazoo, Michigan, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in

the decision of Classis Kalamazoo, in session on March 12, 2024, to approve the position of Missionary President, LEMA as consistent with the ministry of the Word. This position is to be filled by **Rev. Joshua Amaezechi**.

3. Synodical deputies J. Scripps (Georgetown), T. Leunk (Grand Rapids East), and L. Mensink (Grandville), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of River Terrace Church of East Lansing, Michigan, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Lake Erie, in session on April 2, 2024, to approve the position of Manager of Spiritual Care with Henry Ford Jackson Hospital as consistent with the ministry of the Word. This position is to be filled by **Rev. Kenneth Bieber**.
4. Synodical deputies J. Blom (Grand Rapids North), L. Mensink (Grandville), and D. Spoelma (Holland), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of Madison Square Christian Reformed Church of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on August 15, 2023, to approve the position of Assistant Regional Leader and Chaplain as consistent with the ministry of the Word. This position is to be filled by **Rev. Darrell Delaney**.
5. Synodical deputies P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), H. Admiraal (Grand Rapids North), and D. Spoelma (Holland), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of Vogel Center CRC of Vogel Center, Michigan, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Northern Michigan, in session on September 26, 2023, to approve the position of Workplace Chaplain as consistent with the ministry of the Word. This position is to be filled by **Rev. James DeZeeuw**.
6. Synodical deputies J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), D. Yi (Ko-Am), and E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of Christ's Community Christian Reformed Church of Hayward, California, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Central California, in session on October 3, 2023, to approve the position of Chaplain as consistent with the ministry of the Word. This position is to be filled by **Rev. Eunice Kim**.

7. Synodical deputies R. Boersma (Northcentral Iowa), B. Hofman (Heartland), and R. Sparks (Minnkota), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of Calvary Christian Reformed Church of Pella, Iowa, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Central Plains, in session on February 24, 2024, to approve the position of Chaplain as consistent with the ministry of the Word. This position is to be filled by **Rev. Brandon Mick**.
8. Synodical deputies J. Klingenberg (Niagara), S. Couperus (Huron), and R. Grift (Toronto), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of Hope Christian Reformed Church of Brantford, Ontario, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Hamilton, in session on May 28, 2024, to approve the position of Executive Director-Canada as consistent with the ministry of the Word. This position is to be filled by **Rev. Albert Postma**.
9. Synodical deputies L. Van Dyke (Muskegon), J. Scripps (Georgetown), and S. Terpstra (Zeeland), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of Calvary Christian Reformed Church of Holland, Michigan, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Holland, in session on October 5, 2023, to approve the position of Campus Pastor as consistent with the ministry of the Word. This position is to be filled by **Rev. Benjamin Snoek**.
10. 10. Synodical deputies P. Apoll (Ontario Southwest), J. Tuininga (Quinte), and M. Bootsma (Hamilton), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of Exeter Christian Reformed Church of Exeter, Ontario, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Huron, in session on September 16, 2023, not to approve the position of Director of Planned Gifts and Investments as consistent with the ministry of the Word.
11. Synodical deputies P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), D. Fauble (Grandville), and H. De Vries (Kalamazoo), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of First Christian Reformed Church of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on May 16, 2024, to approve the position of Discipleship Pastor

at Calvin University as consistent with the ministry of the Word.

This position is to be filled by **Rev. Sarah VerMerris**.

12. Synodical deputies R. Engle (Lake Erie), L. Mensink (Grandville), and D. Spoelma (Holland), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of Church of the Servant Christian Reformed Church of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on July 5, 2023, to approve the position of Chaplain as consistent with the ministry of the Word. This position is to be filled by **Rev. Jan Anthony (Tony) Westrate**.
13. Synodical deputies P. Vander Klay (Central California), D. Recker (North Cascades), and M. Borst (Pacific Northwest), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of Sunrise Christian Reformed Church of McMinnville, Oregon, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Columbia, in session on February 24, 2024, to approve the position of Executive Director of ITEM as consistent with the ministry of the Word. This position is to be filled by **Rev. William Wilton**.
14. Synodical deputies P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), D. Fauble (Grandville), and H. De Vries (Kalamazoo), having reviewed the evidence supplied by the council of Oakdale Park Christian Reformed Church of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and having been satisfied that lines of accountability have been established, according to Church Order Article 12-c, concur in the decision of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on May 16, 2024, to approve the position of Superintendent of Grand Rapids Christian Schools as consistent with the ministry of the Word. This position is to be filled by **Rev. Aaron Winkle**.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

E. Loaning a minister to another denomination according to Church Order Article 13-c

1. Synodical deputies J. Blom (Grand Rapids North), L. Mensink (Grandville), and D. Spoelma (Holland), satisfied that synodical regulations have been followed in accordance with Church Order Article 13-c, concur in the decision of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on June 2, 2023, to approve loaning **Rev. Eunchong (David) Shin** to serve Cornerstone Community Church of Redwood City, California.
2. Synodical deputies P. DeVries (Thornapple Valley), D. Sarkipato (Kalamazoo), and P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), satisfied that

synodical regulations have been followed in accordance with Church Order Article 13-c, concur in the decision of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on January 18, 2024, to approve loaning **Rev. Zhengfei "Stone" Wang** to serve Chinese Christian Church of Rochester, New York.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

F. Extension of loan of a minister to another denomination according to Church Order Article 13-c

1. Synodical deputies J. Scripps (Georgetown), D. Spoelma (Holland), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), satisfied that synodical regulations have been followed in accordance with Church Order Article 13-c, concur in the decision of Classis Grandville, in session on January 18, 2024, to approve the extension of loaning **Rev. Timothy Holwerda** to serve Heliopolis Community Church of Cairo, Egypt.
2. Synodical deputies D. Spoelma (Holland), P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), satisfied that synodical regulations have been followed in accordance with Church Order Article 13-c, concur in the decision of Classis Grandville, in session on September 21, 2023, to approve the extension of loaning **Rev. Anthony (Tony) Meyer** to serve Mountainview International Church of Madrid, Spain.
3. Synodical deputies J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), D. Yi (Ko-Am) and E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), satisfied that synodical regulations have been followed in accordance with Church Order Article 13-c, concur in the decision of Classis Central California, in session on October 3, 2023, to approve the extension of loaning **Rev. Zeke Nelson** to serve Antwerp International Protestant Church of Antwerp, Belgium.
4. Synodical deputies J. Blom (Grand Rapids North), L. Mensink (Grandville), and D. Spoelma (Holland), satisfied that synodical regulations have been followed in accordance with Church Order Article 13-c, concur in the decision of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on August 15, 2023, to approve the extension of loaning **Rev. Dawei (David) Shao** to serve Detroit Chinese Bible Church of Farmington Hills, Michigan.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

G. Release from office to enter a ministry outside the Christian Reformed Church under Church Order Article 14-b

1. Synodical deputies R. Boersma (Northcentral Iowa), B. Hofman (Heartland), and R. Sparks (Minnkota), having heard the discussions relating to the resignation of **Rev. Richard Admiraal** in accordance with Church Order Article 14-b, concur in the decision of Classis

- Central Plains, in session on February 24, 2024, to declare that **Rev. Richard Admiraal** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
2. Synodical deputies C. Van Niejenhuis (Alberta North), G. van Leeuwen (Alberta South/Saskatchewan), and W. Tuininga (B.C. South-East), having heard the discussions relating to the resignation of **Rev. Kelli Berkner** in accordance with Church Order Article 14-b, concur in the decision of Classis B.C. North-West, in session on February 6, 2024, to declare that **Rev. Kelli Berkner** is Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 3. Synodical deputies D. Fauble (Grandville), H. Admiraal (Grand Rapids North), and P. DeVries (Thornapple Valley), having heard the discussions relating to the resignation of **Rev. Trenton Elders** in accordance with Church Order Article 14-b, concur in the decision of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on February 29, 2024, to declare that **Rev. Trenton Elders** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 4. Synodical deputies P. Van Dyken (Hackensack), G. Besteman (Southeast U.S.), M. Stegink (Hudson), having heard the discussions relating to the resignation of **Rev. Christopher A. Fluit** in accordance with Church Order Article 14-b, concur in the decision of Classis Atlantic Northeast, in session on March 7, 2024, to declare that **Rev. Christopher A. Fluit** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 5. Synodical deputies P. Vander Klay (Central California), E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), and J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), having heard the discussions relating to the resignation of **Rev. Yun Jin Kim** in accordance with Church Order Article 14-b, concur in the decision of Classis California South, in session on March 14, 2024, to declare that **Rev. Yun Jin Kim** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 6. Synodical deputies P. Van Dyken (Hackensack), J. Vande Werken (Atlantic Northeast), and J. Sideco (Hudson), having heard the discussions relating to the resignation of **Rev. Mark Knetsch** in accordance with Church Order Article 14-b, concur in the decision of Classis Southeast U.S., in session on March 4, 2024, to declare that **Rev. Mark Knetsch** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
 7. Synodical deputies C. Van Niejenhuis (Alberta North), G. van Leeuwen (Alberta South/Saskatchewan), and W. Tuininga (B.C. South-East), having heard the discussions relating to the resignation of **Rev.**

Janina Krabbe in accordance with Church Order Article 14-b, concur in the decision of Classis B.C. North-West, in session on February 6, 2024, to declare that **Rev. Janina Krabbe** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.

8. Synodical deputies M. Bouma (B.C. North-West), D. Recker (North Cascades), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having heard the discussions relating to the resignation of **Rev. Jongpil Oh** in accordance with Church Order Article 14-b, concur in the decision of Classis Pacific Northwest, in session on October 5, 2023, to declare that **Rev. Jongpil Oh** is Dismissed from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
9. Synodical deputies D. Roeda (Chicago South), P. Westra (Heartland), and W. Sytsma (Illiana), having heard the discussions relating to the resignation of **Rev. Mark Pluimer** in accordance with Church Order Article 14-b, concur in the decision of Classis Wisconsin, in session on September 26, 2023, to declare that **Rev. Mark Pluimer** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
10. Synodical deputies M. Bouma (B.C. North-West), D. Recker (North Cascades), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having heard the discussions relating to the resignation of **Rev. Kyle Sanford** in accordance with Church Order Article 14-b, concur in the decision of Classis Pacific Northwest, in session on October 5, 2023, to declare that **Rev. Kyle Sandford** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
11. Synodical deputies P. Kornilov (Hackensack), J. Vande Werken (Atlantic Northeast), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having heard the discussions relating to the resignation of **Rev. Mary Stegink** in accordance with Church Order Article 14-b, concur in the decision of Classis Hudson, in session on May 15, 2024, to declare that **Rev. Mary Stegink** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

H. Release from office to enter a nonministerial vocation under Church Order Article 14-c

1. Synodical deputies J. Scripps (Georgetown), D. Spoelma (Holland), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having heard the discussion of Classis Grandville, in session on January 18, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 14-c, that **Rev. Anthony (AJ) Gretz** is Dismissed from the office of

minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America to enter a nonministerial vocation.

2. Synodical deputies J. Blom (Grand Rapids North), L. Mensink (Grandville), and D. Spoelma (Holland), having heard the discussion of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on September 21, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 14-c, that **Rev. Ryan Hoesktra** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America to enter a nonministerial vocation.
3. Synodical deputies M. Bouma (B.C. North-West), D. Recker (North Cascades), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having heard the discussion of Classis Pacific Northwest, in session on October 5, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 14-c, that **Rev. Brian Turnball** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America to enter a nonministerial vocation.
4. Synodical deputies J. Blom (Grand Rapids North), L. Mensink (Grandville), and D. Spoelma (Holland), having heard the discussion of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on September 21, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 14-c, that **Rev. Ki Cheol Yu** is Dismissed from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America to enter a nonministerial vocation.
5. Synodical deputies R. Boersma (Northcentral Iowa), B. Hofman (Heartland), and R. Sparks (Minnkota), having heard the discussion of Classis Central Plains, in session on February 24, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 14-c, that **Rev. Justin Van Zee** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America to enter a nonministerial vocation.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

I. Release from office of one whose vocation is judged to be nonministerial under Church Order Article 14-d

1. Synodical deputies D. Fakkema (Pacific Northwest), A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having heard the discussion of Classis Alberta North, in session on March 8, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 14-c, that **Rev. David Seok Hwan Joo** is Honorably Released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America to enter a nonministerial vocation.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

- J. *Release from ministry in a congregation under Church Order Article 17-a*
1. Synodical deputies M. Borst (Pacific Northwest), A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), and B. Lanting (North Cascades), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis B.C. South-East, in session on May 29, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. S. Nicholas Bierma** is released from ministerial service in Kelowna Christian Reformed Church of Kelowna, British Columbia.
 2. Synodical deputies J. Scripps (Georgetown), D. Fauble (Grandville), and R. Goudzwaard (Thornapple Valley), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Muskegon, in session on April 25, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Richard Britton III** is released from ministerial service in Trinity Christian Reformed Church of Fremont, Michigan.
 3. Synodical deputies D. Fauble (Grandville), R. Goudzwaard (Thornapple Valley), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Grand Rapids North, in session on September 19, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Peter Byma** is released from ministerial service in Westview Christian Reformed Church of Grand Rapids, Michigan.
 4. Synodical deputies S. Couperus (Huron), S. Cooper (Toronto), and M. Bootsma (Hamilton), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Niagara, in session on October 25, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Woodrow P. Dixon** is released from ministerial service in Jubilee Fellowship Christian Reformed Church in St. Catharines, Ontario.
 5. Synodical deputies B. Bierma (Central Plains), C. Vander Neut (Yellowstone), and D. Dykstra (Red Mesa), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Rocky Mountain, in session on October 13, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Ruth Folkerts** is released from ministerial service in Connections Church in Highland Ranch, Colorado.
 6. Synodical deputies A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), J. Scripps (Georgetown), L. Mensink (Grandville), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Grand Rapids North, in session on May 21, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Kevin Heeres** is released from ministerial service in Oakwood Christian Reformed Church in Belding, Michigan.

7. Synodical deputies J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), D. Yi (Ko-Am) and E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Central California, in session on October 3, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Marc Holland** is released from ministerial service in Sacramento City Life Christian Reformed Church in Sacramento, California.
8. Synodical deputies D. Roeda (Chicago South), J. Sideco (Hudson) and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Hackensack, in session on June 4, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Petr Kornilov** is released from ministerial service in Ocean View Christian Reformed Church in Norfolk, Virginia.
9. Synodical deputies M. Stegink (Hudson), C. Fluit (Atlantic Northeast) and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Hackensack, in session on January 22, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Margaret (Meg) Jenista Kuykendall** is released from ministerial service in Washington DC Christian Reformed Church in Washington, District of Columbia.
10. Synodical deputies J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), D. Yi (Ko-Am) and E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Central California, in session on October 3, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Kiseok (Daniel) Kang** is released from ministerial service in Korean United Church in Modesto, California.
11. Synodical deputies D. Fauble (Grandville), H. Admiraal (Grand Rapids North), and P. DeVries (Thornapple Valley), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on February 29, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Eric Kas** is released from ministerial service in Oakdale Park Christian Reformed Church in Grand Rapids, Michigan.
12. Synodical deputies M. Borst (Pacific Northwest), B. Lanting (North Cascades), and P. Vander Klay (Central California), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Columbia, in session on September 23, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Thomas Kok** is released from ministerial service in Family of Faith Christian Reformed Church in Kennewick, Washington.

13. Synodical deputies P. VanderKlay (Central California), J. Dykema (Arizona), and E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Ko-Am, in session on September 26, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Sung Chul Lee** is released from ministerial service in All Nations Church in Bakersfield, California.
14. Synodical deputies S. Muilenberg (Minnkota), C. Hoekstra (Iakota), and R. Boersma (Northcentral Iowa), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Heartland, in session on March 9, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Garry Nyenhuis** is released from ministerial service in Living Water Community Christian Reformed Church in Orange City, Iowa.
15. Synodical deputies J. Scripps (Georgetown), D. Spoelma (Holland), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Grandville, in session on January 18, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Cedric Parsels** is released from ministerial service in Dorr Christian Reformed Church, Dorr, Michigan.
16. Synodical deputies B. Bierma (Central Plains), C. Vander Neut (Yellowstone), and D. Dykstra (Red Mesa), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Rocky Mountain, in session on October 13, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. George Saylor** is released from ministerial service in Connections Church, Highland Ranch, Colorado.
17. Synodical deputies S. Cooper (Toronto), S. Couperus (Huron), J. Ryzebol (Niagara), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Ontario Southwest, in session on February 3, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. David Van Berkel** is released from ministerial service in First Christian Reformed Church in Sarnia, Ontario.
18. Synodical deputies M. Borst (Pacific Northwest), A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), B. Lanting (North Cascades), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis B.C. South-East, in session on March 6, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Grant Vander Hoek** is released from ministerial service in Mission Hills Community Church in Mission, British Columbia.

19. Synodical deputies A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), D. Fakkema (Pacific Northwest), W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Alberta North, in session on March 8, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Jeremy Vandermeer** is released from ministerial service in Centrepointe Christian Reformed Church in Edmonton, Alberta.
20. Synodical deputies P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), D. Spoelma (Holland), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Grandville, in session on May 16, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Mark Van Drunen** is released from ministerial service in Calvary Christian Reformed Church in Wyoming, Michigan.
21. Synodical deputies V. Laarman (Huron), D. Nieuwstraten (Hamilton), and R. Grift (Toronto), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Ontario Southwest, in session on December 12, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Steven Vandyk** is released from ministerial service in Essex Christian Reformed Church in Essex, Ontario.
21. Synodical deputies D. Spoelma (Holland), A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), and P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Georgetown, in session on February 29, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Jason Vermeulen** is released from ministerial service in Evergreen Ministries in Hudsonville, Michigan.
22. Synodical deputies D. Fauble (Grandville), R. Goudzwaard (Thornapple Valley), E. Visser (Grand Rapids South), having heard the weighty reasons provided and the discussion of Classis Kalamazoo, in session on May 21, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-a, that **Rev. Derek Zeyl** is released from ministerial service in Third Christian Reformed Church in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

K. Extension of eligibility for call under Church Order Article 17-c

1. Synodical deputies P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), D. Fauble (Grandville), and H. De Vries (Kalamazoo), having heard the discussion of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on May 16, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order

- Article 17-c, that **Rev. Aminah M. Al-Attas Bradford's** eligibility for call is extended for one year.
2. Synodical deputies P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), D. Fauble (Grandville), and H. De Vries (Kalamazoo), having heard the discussion of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on May 16, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-c, that **Rev. Nathaniel M. Al-Attas Bradford's** eligibility for call is extended for one year.
 3. Synodical deputies D. Fauble (Grandville), D. Spoelma (Holland), and T. Slachter (Zeeland), having heard the discussion of Classis Kalamazoo, in session on March 12, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-c, that **Rev. Joshua Amaezechi's** eligibility for call is extended for one year.
 4. Synodical deputies M. Borst (Pacific Northwest), A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), and B. Lanting (North Cascades), having heard the discussion of Classis B.C. South-East, in session on May 29, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-c, that **Rev. Jeffrey Janssen's** eligibility for call is extended for one year.
 5. Synodical deputies S. Couperus (Huron), D. Nieuwstraten (Hamilton), and R. Grift (Toronto), having heard the discussion of Classis Ontario Southwest, in session on October 10, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-c, that **Rev. Marcel Kuiper's** eligibility for call is extended for one year.
 6. Synodical deputies P. Sausser (Grand Rapids South), D. Spoelma (Holland), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having heard the discussion of Classis Georgetown, in session on May 9, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-c, that **Rev. Marc Nelesen's** eligibility for call is extended for one year.
 7. Synodical deputies P. Vander Klay (Central California), R. De Young (Rocky Mountain), and C. Hoekstra (Iakota), having heard the discussion of Classis Yellowstone, in session on March 1, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-c, that **Rev. Brian Tebben's** eligibility for call is extended for one year.
 8. Synodical deputies P. Apoll (Ontario Southwest), D. Brown (Quinte), and M. Bootsma (Hamilton), having heard the discussion of Classis Huron, in session on February 21, 2024, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-c, that **Rev. Kevin teBrake's** eligibility for call is extended for one year.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

L. Release from the office of minister of the Word under Church Order Article 17-c

1. Synodical deputies S. Couperus (Huron), D. Nieuwstraten (Hamilton), and R. Grift (Toronto), having heard the discussion of Classis Ontario Southwest, in session on October 10, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-c, that **Rev. Daryl Meijer** is released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.
2. Synodical deputies D. Swinney (Alberta South/Saskatchewan), A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having heard the discussion of Classis Alberta North, in session on June 4, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to declare, in accordance with Church Order Article 17-c, that **Rev. Dayna Vreeken** is released from the office of minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

M. Declaration that a commissioned pastor position fits synodical guidelines under Church Order Supplement, Article 23-a

1. Synodical deputies E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), and D. Yi (Ko-Am), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Sacramento City Life Christian Reformed Church of Sacramento, California, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Central California, in session on March 5, 2024, that the position of Bivocational Lead Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Mark Allen**.
2. Synodical deputies J. Scripps (Georgetown), T. Leunk (Grand Rapids East), and L. Mensink (Grandville), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Ann Arbor Hope Christian Reformed Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Lake Erie, in session on March 2, 2024, that the position of Youth Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. David Beck**.
3. Synodical deputies J. Vande Werken (Atlantic Northeast), M. Stegink (Hudson), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Silver Spring Christian Reformed Church of Silver Spring, Maryland, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Hackensack, in session on September 19,

2023, that the position of Commissioned Pastor of Worship and Discipleship is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Ms. Bethany Besteman**.

4. Synodical deputies A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), R. Goudzwaard (Thornapple Valley), and L. Mensink (Grandville), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of LaGrave Christian Reformed Church of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Grand Rapids South, in session on October 12, 2023, that the position of Global Mission Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Chad Boorsma**.
5. Synodical deputies B. Bierma (Central Plains), C. Vander Neut (Yellowstone), and D. Dykstra (Red Mesa), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of New Life Christian Reformed Church/Kadosh Emmanuel of Houston, Texas, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Rocky Mountain, in session on October 13, 2023, that the position of Church Planter is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Ms. Ana Carranza**.
6. Synodical deputies B. Bierma (Central Plains), C. Vander Neut (Yellowstone), and D. Dykstra (Red Mesa), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of New Life Christian Reformed Church/Kadosh Emmanuel of Houston, Texas, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Rocky Mountain, in session on October 13, 2023, that the position of Church Planter is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Fernando Carranza**.
7. Synodical deputies B. Bierma (Central Plains), C. Vander Neut (Yellowstone), and D. Dykstra (Red Mesa), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of New Life Christian Reformed Church/Kadosh Emmanuel of Houston, Texas, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Rocky Mountain, in session on October 13, 2023, that the position of Church Planter is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Ms. Guadalupe Carranza**.
8. Synodical deputies D. Recker (North Cascades), D. Fakkema (Pacific Northwest), and N. de Koning (Alberta North), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Immanuel Christian

Reformed Church of Richmond, British Columbia, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis B.C. North-West, in session on October 17, 2023, that the position of English Minister Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Victor Chua**.

9. Synodical deputies S. Elgersma (California South), C. Hoekstra (Iakota), and R. DeYoung (Rocky Mountain), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Bozeman Christian Reformed Church of Bozeman, Montana, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Yellowstone, in session on September 15, 2023, that the position of Pastor of Worship and Discipleship is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Joe Espinosa**.
10. Synodical deputies D. Fakkema (Pacific Northwest), A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Bethel Christian Reformed Church of Edmonton, Alberta, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Alberta North, in session on March 8, 2024, that the position of Associate Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Raymond Evans**.
11. Synodical deputies P. Van Dyken (Hackensack), J. Vande Werken (Atlantic Northeast), and J. Sideco (Hudson), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Iglesia Vida Nueva of Miami, Florida, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Southeast U.S., in session on March 4, 2024, that the position of Church Planter is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Richard Garcia**.
12. Synodical deputies B. Bierma (Central Plains), C. Vander Neut (Yellowstone), and D. Dykstra (Red Mesa), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Hope Church/Houston Methodist Hospital of Houston, Texas, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Rocky Mountain, in session on October 13, 2023, that the position of Staff Chaplain is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Paul Hannemann**.
13. Synodical deputies G. van Leeuwen (Alberta South/Saskatchewan), N. de Koning (Alberta North), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East),

having examined the written materials submitted by the council of The Tapestry Christian Reformed Church of Richmond, British Columbia, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis B.C. North-West, in session on May 28, 2024, that the position of Pastor of Family Life is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Rennie Hernandez**.

14. Synodical deputies B. Bierma (Central Plains), C. Fluit (Atlantic Northeast), and P. Kornilov (Hackensack), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Sunlight Community Church of Port St. Lucie, Florida, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Southeast U.S. , in session on September 20, 2023, that the position of Pastor of Deacons is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Jeff Huntley**.
15. Synodical deputies B. Bierma (Central Plains), C. Fluit (Atlantic Northeast), and P. Kornilov (Hackensack), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Bradenton Christian Reformed Church of Bradenton, Florida, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Southeast U.S. , in session on September 20, 2023, that the position of Associate Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Dylan Kern**.
16. Synodical deputies P. VanderKlay (Central California), S. Elgersma (California South), and J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Ttokomsa Mission Church Christian Reformed Church of Los Angeles, California, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Greater Los Angeles, in session on October 24, 2023, that the position of Global Mission Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Sang Gyo Kim**.
17. Synodical deputies P. Apoll (Ontario Southwest), M. Bootsma (Hamilton), and J. Tuininga (Quinte), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Maitland River Community Church of Wingham, Ontario, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Huron, in session on May 15, 2024, that the position of Youth/Associate Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Tyler Kirkbride**.

18. Synodical deputies D. Roeda (Chicago South), T. Douma (Northern Illinois), and M. Pluimer (Wisconsin) having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Crown Point Christian Reformed Church of Crown Point, Indiana, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Illiana, in session on September 20, 2023, that the position of Associate Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Bryce Langley**.
19. Synodical deputies P. Van Dyken (Hackensack), G. Besteman (Southeast U.S.), and R. Sparks (Minnkota), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Chin Christian Church of Syracuse of Baldwinsville, New York, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Atlantic Northeast, in session on November 10, 2023, that the position of Commissioned Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. David Lian**.
20. Synodical deputies P. VanderKlay (Central California), S. Elgersma (California South), and J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Iglesia Christiana de Camarillo of Bakesfield, California, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Greater Los Angeles, in session on October 24, 2023, that the position of Church Planting Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Mike Nava**.
21. Synodical deputies P. VanderKlay (Central California), S. Elgersma (California South), and J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Iglesia Misionera Renacer of Los Angeles, California, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Greater Los Angeles, in session on May 7, 2024, that the position of Parish Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Sergio Paz**.
22. Synodical deputies J. Vande Werken (Atlantic Northeast), M. Stegink (Hudson), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Madison Avenue Christian Reformed Church of Paterson, New Jersey, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Hackensack, in session on

September 19, 2023, that the position of Lead Pastor for Madison Avenue en Espanol is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Victor Piscoya**.

23. Synodical deputies P. Westra (Heartland), C. Hoekstra (Iakota), and W. Davelaar (Northcentral Iowa), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Faith Community Christian Reformed Church of Colton, South Dakota, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Minnkota, in session on September 14, 2023, that the position of Pastor of Missions is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Adam Ramirez**.
24. Synodical deputies D. Spoelma (Holland), R. Engle (Lake Erie), and L. Mensink (Grandville), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Canvas Church-Sherman Street of Wyoming, Michigan, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Grand Rapids East, in session on February 2, 2023, that the position of Commissioned Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Ms. Carrie Rodgers**.
25. Synodical deputies M. Borst (Pacific Northwest), A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), and B. Lanting (North Cascades), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Fleetwood Christian Reformed Church of Surrey, British Columbia, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis B.C. South-East, in session on March 6, 2024, that the position of Commissioned Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Justin Roukema**.
26. Synodical deputies P. Van Dyken (Hackensack), J. Vande Werken (Atlantic Northeast), and J. Sideco (Hudson), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Iglesia Vida Nueva of Miami, Florida, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Southeast U.S., in session on March 4, 2024, that the position of Church Planter is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Andres D. Sancho**.
27. Synodical deputies C. Walters (Georgetown), A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), and L. Mensink (Grandville), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of inSpirit Church of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis

Grand Rapids South, in session on February 1, 2024, that the position of Regional Mission Leader - Great Lakes with Resonate Global Mission is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mrs. Amy Schenkel**.

28. Synodical deputies S. Elgersma (California South), D. Yi (Ko-Am), and J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Golden Gate Christian Reformed Church of San Francisco, California, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Central California, in session on October 3, 2023, that the position of Associate Pastor of Children and Youth is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. David Shen**.
29. Synodical deputies D. Recker (North Cascades), D. Fakkema (Pacific Northwest), and N. de Koning (Alberta North), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Immanuel Christian Reformed Church of Richmond, British Columbia, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis B.C. North-West, in session on October 17, 2023, that the position of Mandarin Minister Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Luke Shi**.
30. Synodical deputies J. Scripps (Georgetown), L. Mensink (Grandville), and D. Spoelma (Holland), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Rusk Christian Reformed Church of Allendale, Michigan, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Zeeland, in session on February 1, 2024, that the position of Chaplain with ReFrame Media is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Ms. Amie Sprimensma**.
31. Synodical deputies P. Westra (Heartland), W. Davelaar (Northcentral Iowa), and H. Newhouse (Lake Superior), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Faith Christian Reformed Church of Sioux Center, Iowa, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Iakota, in session on September 19, 2023, that the position of Church Planting Missionary is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. Mark Tiemersma**
32. Synodical deputies J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), D. Yi (Ko-Am), and E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Immanuel Christian Reformed

Church of Ripon, California, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Central California, in session on October 3, 2023, that the position of Worship Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Mr. João Pedro (J. P.) Macimiano Trabbold**.

33. Synodical deputies S. Cooper (Toronto), S. Couperus (Huron), and J. Ryzebol (Niagara), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of Grace Christian Reformed Church of Chatham, Ontario, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis Ontario Southwest, in session on February 3, 2024, that the position of Director of Faith Formation and Worship is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors. The position is to be filled by **Ms. Stephanie Van Rooyen**.
34. Synodical deputies M. Borst (Pacific Northwest), A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having examined the written materials submitted by the council of First Christian Reformed Church of Lynden, Washington, and having compared them with the synodical guidelines re office and ordination, concur with the decision of Classis North Cascades, in session on October 19, 2023, that the position of Associate Pastor is in keeping with synodical guidelines for commissioned pastors.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

N. Service of a commissioned pastor in an organized church as solo pastor under Church Order Article 24-a

1. Synodical deputies E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), J. Greydanus (Red Mesa), and D. Yi (Ko-Am), having examined the request submitted by the council of Napa Valley Community Church of Napa, California, concur with the decision of Classis Central California, in session on March 5, 2024, that **Mr. David Buurma** (commissioned pastor) may serve the congregation as its Solo Pastor.
2. Synodical deputies J. Scripps (Georgetown), T. Slachter (Zeeland), and A. Gelder (Grand Rapids East), having examined the request submitted by the council of Covenant Life Church of Grand Haven, Michigan, concur with the decision of Classis Muskegon, in session on September 28, 2023, that **Mr. Mike Gafa** (commissioned pastor) may serve the congregation as its co pastor.
3. Synodical deputies W. Sytsma (Illiana), M. Pluimer (Wisconsin), and J. Huizinga (Northern Illinois), having examined the request submitted by the council of Immanuel Christian Reformed Church of Burbank, Illinois, concur with the decision of Classis Chicago South, in

session on July 25, 2023, that **Mr. Israel Ledee** (commissioned pastor) may serve the congregation as its solo pastor.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

O. Calling a commissioned pastor to a specified term under Church Order Article 24-b

1. Synodical deputies P. Westra (Heartland), W. Davelaar (Northcentral Iowa), and H. Newhouse (Lake Superior), having examined the request submitted by the council of Bridge of Hope Ministries of Sioux Center, Iowa, the terms proposed, and the accountability of progress in the proposed learning plan, concur with the decision of Classis Iakota, in session on September 19, 2023, to call **Ms. Gail Ashmore** to a specified term.
2. Synodical deputies P. Westra (Heartland), W. Davelaar (Northcentral Iowa), and H. Newhouse (Lake Superior), having examined the request submitted by the council of Bridge of Hope Ministries of Sioux Center, Iowa, the terms proposed, and the accountability of progress in the proposed learning plan, concur with the decision of Classis Iakota, in session on September 19, 2023, to call **Mr. Sam Ashmore** to a specified term.
3. Synodical deputies P. Vander Klay (Central California), D. Recker (North Cascades), and M. Borst (Pacific Northwest), having examined the request submitted by the council of New Hope Christian Reformed Church of Spokane, Washington, the terms proposed, and the accountability of progress in the proposed learning plan, concur with the decision of Classis Columbia, in session on February 24, 2024, to call **Mr. Michael Brummel** to a specified term.
4. Synodical deputies M. Borst (Pacific Northwest), B. Lanting (North Cascades), and P. Vander Klay (Central California), having examined the request submitted by the council of Quincy Christian Reformed Church of Quincy, Washington, the terms proposed, and the accountability of progress in the proposed learning plan, concur with the decision of Classis Columbia, in session on September 23, 2023, to call **Mr. Benjamin Buckley** to a specified term.
5. Synodical deputies B. Lanting (North Cascades), A. Beunk (B.C. North-West), and W. Brouwer (B.C. South-East), having examined the request submitted by the council of Tacoma Christian Reformed Community Church of Tacoma, Washington, the terms proposed, and the accountability of progress in the proposed learning plan, concur with the decision of Classis Pacific Northwest, in session on March 7, 2024, to call **Mr. Frank Quijada** to a specified term.

6. Synodical deputies W. Sytsma (Illiana), M. Pluimer (Wisconsin), and J. Huizenga (Northern Illinois), having examined the request submitted by the council of Palos Heights Christian Reformed Church of Palos Heights, Illinois, the terms proposed, and the accountability of progress in the proposed learning plan, concur with the decision of Classis Chicago South, in session on July 25, 2023, to call **Mr. Micah Van Dyken** to a specified term.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

P. Commissioned pastors concluding service under Church Order Article 24-d

The following commissioned pastors have concluded service in the classes indicated in the positions to which they were appointed:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Classis</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>Reason</i>
Chris Avery	California South	September 28, 2023	Honorably released
Jason Botbyl	Grand Rapids East	May 18, 2023	Honorably released
Brian Boucek	Georgetown	February 29, 2024	Honorably released
Fred De Young	Kalamazoo	March 12, 2024	Honorably released
Douglas Kennedy	Rocky Mountain	October 13, 2023	Honorably released
Sean Taylor	North Cascades	October 19, 2023	Dismissed

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.

Q. Article 82-83

1. Synodical deputies P. VanderKlay (Central California), J. Dykema (Arizona), and E. Westra (Greater Los Angeles), having heard the grounds submitted by the council of Ye-Eun Presbyterian Church of Los Angeles, California, and the discussion of Classis Ko-Am, in session on September 26, 2023, concur in the decision of classis to approve, in accordance with Church Order Articles 82 and 83, the deposition of **Rev. In Ho Jang** from the ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America.

Recommendation: That synod approve the work of the synodical deputies.