

Regional Home Missionary (PMA) Prayer and Praise Report- Autumn 2025

Devotion: Acts 9:31 A Happy and Healthy Regional Church



Graduation of Elisabeth Grace- Class of 2025

"And the church throughout Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the LORD and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied!" (Acts 9:31) / 1. Blessings of Christ and Spirit (Once and for all work of Christ and His Spirit, "Redemption Accomplished")

2. Benefits of Christ and His Spirit (Ongoing work of Christ and His Spirit, "Redemption Applied")

Positional Peace.

Progressive Sanctification.

Proper Love and Obedience.

Paraclete with us!

Patience on God's faithful work.



Summary Prayer: "Please continue to pray for the Presbytery of the Mid Atlantic, that we would have peace and continue to be built up, and walking in the fear of the LORD and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, we would multiply for the glory of God and the extension of Christ's Kingdom (Acts 9:31). Please pray that our faithful God would continue to bless our Berryville, VA, exploratory bible study with growth. Rejoice with us that He has blessed our present gospel discipleship, evangelism and church planting with much contentment, fruit, and joy, and that He will continue to open new doors (Col. 4:2-6)."

RHM Ministry Opportunities at a Glance



Teaching/Organizing Home
 Missions Exploratory Berryville Bible
 Study / 2 Berryville Outreaches /
 Summer Internship and Mentoring
 Jeremy Colon in church planting
 /Praise God for our one-year
 anniversary in Berryville!
 /Discipleship of some folks in
 Berryville who are new to the faith/

Berryville Bible Study- Summer 2025

Clark County Fair Outreach/Flea Market Outreach.

- Visiting our Organized Congregations and Mission Works for Ministry and RHM Presentations.
- Outreach/Evangelism Seminars: Berryville, VA; Vienna, VA; Purcellville, Va; Columbia, MD
- Charge to John Paul Holloway as Pastor of Acacia Reformed (May).
- New Covenant Christian School Graduation Speaker (June).

- Speaker at Youth Seminar Hosted by All Saints OPC (PSE) (June)
- Serving on Trinity Reformed, West Creek, and Word of Life Sessions.
- Teaching on the Person and Ministry of the Holy Spirit at Machen Fall Single's Retreat (September)
- Upcoming RHM Ministries: Mentoring/Teaching/Working with Emmaus Presbyterian Church in joining OPC/ Potential Opportunity in Hanover, Maryland (Sept. 2025) / Non-affiliated former PCA congregation in Lewes, DE, that desires to connect with the OPC (Sept. 2025)
- **Coming Soon**: Church Planter and Evangelism Conference: Spring 2026! Please save the date/advertise (see pg. 5).
- Coming Soon: Youth Evangelism/Apologetic Conference (PMA)-Grace, Vienna
- Teaching Biblical Theology Course (Fall-Spring 2025-26) at Providence Preparatory Academy.
- Monthly Gospel Ministry at Cottage Classical School in Winchester, VA (Fall-Spring 2025-26).
- Writing Newsletters for Prayers and Praise Reports and Updates.





Tidewater Youth Conference- June 2025 (PSE)

Please pray for my regular visiting of organized congregations in the PMA for regional home mission's ministry. / Pray for my regular visiting of mission works in the PMA for regional home mission's ministry. / Pray for my regular Gospel ministry opportunities in discipleship and evangelism at Berryville, Providence Prep, and Cottage Schools. / Pray for my maximal fruitfulness and maximal joy as a husband, father, minister, and RHM. / Pray for opportunities for Gospel witness and new friendships for church planting and discipleship. / Pray for ongoing wisdom in church planting, mentoring, shepherding, and counseling as an RHM. / Pray as I continue to serve on our PMA's Candidates and Credentials Committee.

Pray as your RHM serves in these specific ways: Word of Life- Serving on session/ministry and mentoring / Emmaus Presbyterian Church- Assisting congregation in serving as a pastoral-ministerial guide in transferring into the OPC / West Creek OPC-Serving on session/mentoring and ministry / Berryville Bible Study- Continuing to teach twice monthly and shepherd the folks who attend. / Church Planting/Evangelism Summer Intern / Trinity Reformed, Lanham, MD- Serving as a minister/elder. /Candidates and Credentials Committee for PMA.



Emmaus Presbyterian Congregation-Spring 2025

Missionary (PMA) Prayer and Praise Newsletter- Special Edition Praise God for the Acacia Reformed OPC Particularization Service!

On Saturday, May 24th, 2025, the Presbytery of the Mid Atlantic met to receive Acacia Reformed,

Manassas, Virginia, as a particular congregation of the presbytery and the Orthodox Presbyterian Church! Praise God for Pastor John Paul Holloway being installed as the first pastor of the congregation (he has served as church planter/organizing pastor for the last three years!). Praise God for Stephen Mouring (Elder) and Jared Grigg (Deacon) being installed as officers. Praise the LORD for His goodness in raising up and gifting Sam Lee, Mark Stevens, and Daniel Sabbaugh as elders who were ordained and installed. Praise God for raising up





and gifting Andrew Anderson as a deacon, who was installed, having been ordained in the past. On this special day we heard a sermon and a charge to the congregation from Pastor Phil Proctor, a charge to the pastor from Pastor Charles Biggs (RHM), a charge to the officers from Pastor John Paul Holloway, and the event was moderated by Pastor Tom



Martin. Please pray for this congregation as it continues to make Christ known in Manassas, Virginia, and continues to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ!







New Home Missions Logo¹



- *Ecclesiological* We believe that the church is the body and kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ, "out of which there is no ordinary possibility of salvation" (WCF 25.1-2). Gospel ministry must therefore be centered in the ministry of the visible church, and the spread of the gospel must involve the planting of new churches (Rom 10:14-17, Acts 13:1-3, Acts 19:8-10). This is symbolized in our logo-mark by the seedling plant.
- *Missiological* Because the Lord Jesus has promised to be with his church "to the end of the age" (Mt 28:20), and because he has poured out his Spirit to empower and equip his church (Eph 4:11-16), we believe that his power to convert and transform sinners is ever-present, in every age, with every new mission work (WSC 88). This is symbolized in our logo-mark as the roots of the seedling plant forming the paw of the

Lion of Judah.

• Theological – Through the planting and growth of churches that celebrate and proclaim the gospel, the Lord Jesus expands his kingdom and destroys the work of the devil (1 Jn 3:8), fulfilling the promise of salvation first preached to our first parents in Eden (Gn 3:15, Rom 16:20). This is symbolized in our logo-mark as the paw of the Lion of Judah crushing the head of the serpent. Nevertheless, the devil will continue to war against the church until the end of the age (Eph 6:10-20), symbolized in our logo-mark as the tail of the serpent intertwining with the growing plant (Mt 13:24-30, Acts 20:28-31).

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¹ From our OPC Home Missions Committee





Our prayers and hopes for each of our presbytery's church planting and evangelism seminars:

- 1. Exalt and gaze together upon the Risen-Ascended-Enthroned CHRIST together.
 - 2. Grow in COMPASSION for the lost.
 - 3. CONNECT with one another for edification and church planting.
 - 4. COMMIT yourself afresh to the Great Commission.
 - 5. CULTIVATE a culture of evangelism in your family and congregation.







Summary of Sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ

"Called and Sent" (vocatio et missio) - Who We Are as Christ's Church - John 17:17-18, 20:21-23



A Brief Presentation of the Gospel in Six Steps²:

- 1. Revelation 4:11
- 2. Isaiah 53:6a, Romans 3:23
- 3. Hebrews 9:27
- 4. Isaiah 53:6b
- 5. 1 Peter 1:3-4
- 6. John 3:36





² From Matthias Media.