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## A. REPORT FROM CONFERENCE STATISTICS

The number of Baptisms in our conference has gone from 580 in 2010 to 502 in 2013.

Another interesting glimpse at the statistics shows a continuing shift in the size categories of our churches. Using the designations Corporate (351+), Program (151-350), Pastoral (51-150), and Family (up to 50).

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Corporate (351+)	6	2	2	2
Program (151-350)	32	31	29	27
Pastoral (51-150)	112	113	117	110

The remaining churches are in the family size category.

In 2010 there were 184 churches with under a 100 in average attendance and today we have 189. This number is significant as it is the number generally accepted as the number needed to sustain a full time ordained pastor.

**Initial Report of the Rules Committee  
2014 Pacific Northwest Annual Conference  
June 19-22, 2014**

***Part 1: Report concerning Petitions & Recommendations***

The following are the Rules Committee's responses and recommendations concerning petitions and proposals coming before the Focus Sessions of the 2013 Annual Conference.

**Note: Except as noted below, we consider the portions of petitions headed "Proposed Resolution or Action" to be the resolution under discussion, with the remainder of the printed material to be explanatory material. (cf. Rule V, Sec. 2.(a))**

1. **PCH Page 81, Leadership Development, Petition #AA-2**, concerning a new rule establishing a Fellowship of Certified Lay Ministers. The resolution is in good order, consisting of the "Resolved" section only. The "Rationale" section is explanatory. If adopted as it stands, the Rules Committee will recommend that this new rule be placed as a new Section 10 of Rule XI, Miscellaneous, rather than as a new part of Rule II, Conference Agencies, since the Fellowship would not be an agency of the Annual Conference.
2. **PCH Page 83, Connecting for Missions – Domestic, Petition #CC-1**, in support of Washington State Initiative 594 concerning criminal background checks before all gun sales. The committee's view is that the resolution includes the "How it be carried out? By whom?" section of the submitted material, as well as the "Proposed Resolution or Action" section.
3. **PCH Page 121, Administrative Support, Petition #EE-9**, for a cessation of church trials. The committee's view is that the resolution portion of this petition includes the "Does the resolution have a financial request or implication?" section of the submitted material, as well as the "Proposed Resolution or Action" section, since the finance section specifies a prohibition of the use of conference funds.

***Part 2: Rule changes initiated by the Rules Committee upon direct request.***

1. **Joint Committee on Clergy Medical Leave:** Correct Rule VI, Sec. 1(c)(4)(a) and Rule VI, Sec. 1(b)(1) by replacing "Joint Committee on Incapacity" with "Joint Committee on Clergy Medical Leave". Rationale: This aligns with the new name in the 2012 Discipline, Par. 652. Requested by Lynn Swedberg.
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(1) Two youth members, 12-18 years of age, from each district shall be selected by each ~~District Coordinating Council or its counterpart~~ after considering any recommendations from the District Council on Youth Ministries ~~the Conference Council on Youth Ministries after consultation with the staff of the office of Young People's Ministries and district superintendent.~~ Alternate youth members may be selected.

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Rationale: Consistency with Discipline, which allows for a designated body to select conference location.

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Final Report of the Rules Committee  
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## C. WOMEN WHO WERE ORDAINED AND SERVED CHURCHES PRIOR TO 1959

(Printed here as directed by the Conference, June 18, 1992)

This list includes only those who served churches in the PNWAC following graduation or ordination. It is subject to revision for future publication.

**Abbreviations:** GD, graduated deacon; GE, graduated elder; OD, ordained deacon; OE, ordained elder; R, retired.

**Note:** Most of these women had reached retirement age before they could become members of Conference. In 1959, **Ruth M. Lortz** (1935, OD; 1950, GE) was the first woman to become a member of the PNWAC.

**Anable, Hortense W. Miller Bennet** – 1950, GD, Medical Lake; '51, Avon-Bay View; '53, Nespelem; '55, GE; '56, Hartline; '59, Sumas-Nooksack Indian; '61, Pateros; '62, Cosmopolis, '64, R.

**Apel, Gertrude L.** – 1924, OD, Chewelah; '26, OE, Seattle: Trinity, Assoc.; '30, General Secretary, Washington-Northern Idaho Council of Churches; '59, Federal Way: Marine View; '64, R.

**Cotton, Ruth Smutz** – 1952, OD, orchards-Fern Prairie, Assoc.; '54, OE; '56, Oregon Conf.

**Dealy, Gertrude Caudill** – 1954, GE; '55, Mabton.

**Graves, Mary Jane** – 1947, OE, Clark Fork; '49, Hartline.

**(Kiehlbauch, Annette** – 1952, OD, Seattle: Shaw Memorial; '53, GE, Seattle: South park; '55, Vashon; '56, Edwall; '58, R.

**Koth, Marian R.** – 1954, GE, Nooksack; '56, NW '57, Buena-Liberty; '59, NA; '62, East Mill Plain; R.

**McKee, Mary** – 1931. OD, Silverdale-Tracyton; '33, OE; '35, Congregational in California; '53, Riverton; '59, R.

**Owen, Sophie** – 1946, OD, Orofino-Peck-Cavendish; '49, Pierce; '51, South Bend-Bay Center; '53, GE; '56, NA '66, Nooksack Indian; R.

**Pease, Bessie G.** – 1952, OD, Seattle: Shaw memorial; '53, GE, Seattle: South Park; '55, Vashon; '56, Edwall; '60, R.

**Reisner, Elizabeth Goodall** – 1930, OD, Seward, Alaska; '36, NA; '57, R.

**Weaver, Ethel C.** – 1947, GD, College of Puget Sound; '54, GE

## D. PARTICIPANTS IN ARMED FORCES RESERVE UNITS

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**Robinson, Dirk** - '13 FL, Davenport Edwall

**E. TOTAL COMPENSATION OF CLERGY MEMBERS  
IN EXTENSION MINISTRIES  
FOR THE 2013-2014 CONFERENCE YEAR**

Total compensation includes base compensation, utilities and other housing related allowances, travel allowance, and other cash allowances.

(See ¶ 628 2012 Book of Discipline)

	<u>Base Compensation</u>	<u>Housing</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
<i>Tom, Albright</i>	24,000			24,000
<i>Janette, Anderson</i>	25,000		600	25,600
<i>Aosved, Joel</i>	5,000	500	500	6,000
<i>Carter, James</i>	66,082			66,082
<i>Clark, Genevieve</i>	61,398			61,398
<i>Cooper, Earl (RE)</i>	Not Available			
<i>Degener, Dennis (RE)</i>	Not Available			
<i>Gibson, Terrill (RE)</i>	60,000		2,000	62,000
<i>Hicks, Roberts</i>	52,700		4,800	57,500
<i>Hudson, Roger</i>	37,100	11,650	1,500	50,250
<i>Huycke, Mary</i>	24,170			24,170
<i>Hylkema, Davis</i>	0			
<i>Jeffrey, Paul</i>	24,234	18,000		42,234
<i>Johnson, Carol</i>	4,134	13,175		17,309
<i>Johnson, Alissa Bertch (PE)</i>	47,698		1,000	48,698
<i>Kramer, Kathy (PL)</i>				
<i>Mary Kathrine, Lookingbill</i>	90,000			90,000
<i>McLemore, Douglas</i>	14,500		5,527	20,027
<i>Ortmeyer, John (RE)</i>	Not Available			
<i>Parker, Rebecca</i>	90,088	44,912		135,000
<i>Peach, Ellen</i>	35,865	13,000	12,000	60,865
<i>Phillips, Jennifer</i>	0			
<i>Pierce, Lyda</i>	42,766	24,168		66,934
<i>Poole, Steve</i>	Not Available			
<i>Smith, Jerry (RE)</i>	52,234	40,684		92,918
<i>Smith-Worden, Jana</i>	45,000			15,000
<i>Southwick, John</i>	70,000			70,000
<i>Stewart, Terri (PE)</i>	19,600			19,600
<i>Sygeel, Crystal</i>	25,908	22,332		48,240
<i>Tudor, Brenda</i>	0			
<i>Valera, David</i>	48,860	13,500	18,495	80,855
<i>Van Der Does, Pamela</i>	50,000			50,000
<i>Wendleton, David</i>	70,000	30,000		100,000
<i>Wolle, Angela</i>	Not Available			
<i>Wright, David</i>	52,000		3,000	55,000
<i>Yackey, Kathy</i>	Not Available			