# THE 106<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION ROCKY MOUNTAIN MINISTRY NETWORK OF THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD NETWORK COUNCIL VICTORY LIFE CHURCH, GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO APRIL 24 - 26, 2023

GENERAL SESSION #1 - MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2023 - 6:30 PM

**Rick DuBose**, invited guest speaker and **Assistant General Superintendent of the Assemblies of God**, ministered on the evening Network theme, "Seasons, Part 1". An extended time of corporate prayer and worship concluded the evening service.

WORLD MISSIONS AFTER-PARTY - MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2023 - (8:00 PM - 9:00 PM)

BUSINESS SESSION #1 - TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023 - 9:30 AM

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

**Superintendent Roncone** called the business meeting of THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD, DBA ROCKY MOUNTAIN MINISTRY NETWORK, to order at 9:30 AM. He shared that the purpose of meeting was three-fold:

- 1. To give a full report of all relevant activities and ministry occurring in the past year.
- 2. **To conduct elections** and business competently in a spirit of unity.
- 3. **To build faith** in our Network as we work together to meet the challenges of the coming year.

#### SCRIPTURE READING AND OPENING PRAYER

**Superintendent Roncone** began the business session sharing a devotional thought, including a reading of **James 1:5-8 (NIV)**, saying "If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. Such a person is double-minded and unstable in all they do." After sharing, **the Chair** invited **Pastor Josh Cook** of **Victory Life Church** to pray and invite God's blessing and guidance upon all business and activities of the **106**<sup>th</sup> **Annual Convention** of the **RMMN Network Council** of the Assemblies of God.

## THE 106<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION ROCKY MOUNTAIN MINISTRY NETWORK OF THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD NETWORK COUNCIL

#### **WELCOME SPECIAL GUESTS**

**Superintendent Roncone** welcomed new ministers, inviting each to stand and introduce themselves and their ministry role. **The Chair** led in prayer thanking God for each new minister, asking God's blessing upon them and their respective churches and ministries.

The Chair welcomed U.S. and World Missionaries, inviting them to stand and be recognized. The Chair greeted and recognized previous Network Superintendents' Don Steiger, Bob Cook, and Phil Neely and their spouses. The Chair also recognized host pastors Josh and Sara Jane Cook, expressing appreciation to them and to the Victory Life Church staff for their hard work and hospitality. Host-site pastors Josh and Sara Jane greeted the Council.

#### **OPENING COMMENTS**

**Superintendent Roncone** highlighted a few parliamentary guidelines and meeting tips to follow in order to have a productive meeting. **The Chair** further shared business meeting tips and a voting tutorial video was presented. **The Chair** presented the following individuals who would assist the Council in session by serving on the Facilitator Team:

- 1. Chair: Superintendent Gene Roncone.
- 2. Finance Report: Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant.
- 3. Zoom Host Administrator: Linda Bottoms.
- 4. On-Site Facilitator: Shawn Reine.
- 5. Solutions Desk: Susan Cassell.
- **6.** Roster Committee: Susan Cassel (Chairperson), assisted by Nicole Polanco.
- 7. Tellers' Committee: Linda Bottoms (Chairperson) assisted by Nicole Polanco.

NC-2023-0001 A motion prevailed to accept each facilitator team.

#### ROSTER REPORT

**Superintendent Roncone** called for a report from the **Roster Committee** in order for the Council to establish a guorum. **The Chair** reported as follows:

#### Roster Report #1

April 25, 2023, as of 9:45 AM

Ordained	95
Licensed	
Delegates	
TOTAL VOTING CONSTITUENCY	144
Certified	
Visitors	55
TOTAL REGISTRATION	204

NC-2023-0002 A motion prevailed to accept the roster report as presented.

#### **RECEIVING OF MINUTES**

**Superintendent Roncone** referred to the previous year's minutes that were made available in draft form on the Network Council webpage two weeks prior to today's meeting. After receiving a motion and a second to get them before the assembly for deliberation, **the Chair** asked if there were any corrections. Having received none, the minutes were placed before the assembly as presented.

NC-2023-0003 A motion prevailed to accept the previous minutes of the 105<sup>th</sup>

RMMN Network Council at Highpoint Church in Aurora, Colorado,

dated, April 25-27, 2022, as presented.

#### PROCEDURAL MOTION

To enable the Council to move forward with elections and give ministry reports while waiting for election results, **Superintendent Roncone** asked for a motion empowering the **Council** to do so.

NC-2023-0004 A motion prevailed to intersperse reports between elections.

#### **ELECTION OF NETWORK ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT**

**Superintendent Roncone** introduced the electoral process involving nomination reports from Sectional Council for subsequent voting on nominees. Beginning with the highest office, the **Chair** invited **Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant** to read Network bylaw qualifications and duties for the office of **Network Assistant Superintendent**. **John** presented a nomination report from each Sectional Council giving a list of qualified, available, and willing individuals nominated by each section. Each nominee was contacted and vetted for their qualification, willingness, and availability to serve.

The **Chair** introduced the remaining qualified nominee candidates being presented, which are: **Steve Chavez** (10 nominations), **Josh Cook** (10 nominations), and **Alex Lucero** (90 nominations). The **Chair** invited former RMMN Superintendent, **Don Steiger**, to pray over the election process.

#### TELLERS' REPORT FOR NETWORK ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

**Superintendent Roncone** asked the **Tellers' Committee** to provide a report on the first electoral ballot for the office of Network Superintendent, with the **Chair** reported the following:

#### FIRST REPORT ON ELECTION OF NETWORK SUPERINTENDENT

Votes Cast	152
Needed to Elect	101

#### **Electronic Total**

Steve Chavez	20
Josh Cook	23
Alex Lucero	109

**Superintendent Roncone** shared the first electronic ballot voting results, confirming the following outcome: **Steve Chavez** (20 votes; 13%); **Josh Cook** (23 votes; 15%); and **Alex Lucero** (109 votes; 72%). The **Chair** declared that **Alex Lucero** exceeded the two-thirds

number of votes required for election, receiving a 72% majority vote to serve a three-year term as **Network Assistant Superintendent**. The **Chair** invited **Alex** to greet the Council, who expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve the Network.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

**Superintendent Roncone** relinquished the chair to **Assistant Superintendent Alex Lucero**, before sharing the Superintendent's report. **Superintendent Roncone** expressed gratitude to the Council for the opportunity to serve as RMMN Superintendent. He remarked that as a leader, he welcomes the question, "What has the Network done for me or my church?". Sharing a conviction that healthy ministers build healthy churches, he further asserted that the prime directive of the Network Office is to serve ministers first and churches second.

**Superintendent Roncone** confirmed that the purpose of the Network Office is to bring eternal hope to Colorado and Utah by embracing the following four initiatives:

- **Empower ministers**: Credential, equip, resource, and credential ministers.
- **Resource churches**: Resource, train, and network churches.
- Build community: Connecting, including, and collaborating.
- Facilitate the future: Creating opportunities for the Assemblies of God in Colorado and Utah by establishing long-term vision, new and innovative income streams, and church multiplication.

**Superintendent Roncone** remarked that the annually published *WE Report*, serves as the single best resource that provides a detailed account of every significant accomplishment regarding the four initiatives within a calendar year. It is updated throughout the year and made available online, providing a single resource detailing all things involving Network activity. The most updated version of the report can be accessed at <a href="https://www.generoncone.org/we">www.generoncone.org/we</a>.

**Superintendent Roncone** acknowledged **Susan Cassel**, who is retiring after 18 years having faithfully served three RMMN Superintendents. He honored **Susan**, who received a warm round of applause in appreciation of her many years of service. **Superintendent Roncone** announced **Amanda Rosinski**, a newly hired RMMN administrative assistant who was privileged to overlap **Susan** in the position, resulting in six weeks of job training. He further expressed appreciation and love for **Rhonda Roncone**, who also serves as his administrator handling all things related to new initiatives and visionary items from the Superintendents' office.

**Superintendent Roncone** expressed appreciation for the Network office staff and for the Presbytery, who understand the ministry priority of financing vision. He further expressed appreciation for every network minister and for the relationships shared with the following three former RMMN Superintendents: **Bob Cook**, **Phil Neely**, and **Don Steiger**. He invited the Council to show appreciation for their contributions.

**Superintendent Roncone** remarked that it is an honor to serve the Network. **The Chair** invited questions pertaining to the Superintendent's Report and there were none.

NC-2023-0005 A motion prevailed to accept the Superintendent's Report.

Afterward, **Alex Lucero** relinquished the chair to **Superintendent Roncone**.

#### **ELECTION OF WEST SLOPE EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER**

**Superintendent Roncone** asked **Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant** to read the qualifications and duties for the office of **Executive Presbyter**. The **Chair** requested a nomination report from Network Council be presented, confirming **Josh Cook** was the only nominee who was nominated by **Mountain**, **San Juan**, **West Central**, and **Northwest** sections as the qualified nominee for the consideration of **West Slope Executive Presbyter**.

#### ROSTER REPORT

**Superintendent Roncone** called for a report from the **Roster Committee** in order for the Council to establish a guorum. **The Chair** reported as follows:

#### Roster Report #2

April 25, 2023, as of 9:59 AM

Ordained Licensed Delegates	29
TOTAL VOTING CONSTITUENCY	144
CertifiedVisitors	
TOTAL REGISTRATION	204

NC-2023-0006

A motion prevailed to accept the roster report as presented.

**The Chair** invited East Slope Executive Presbyter **Steve Chavez** to pray over the election process. **The Chair** instructed voters to prepare, reminding that a two-thirds majority is required to pass. After voting, **the Chair** closed the polls.

#### TELLERS' REPORT FOR WEST SLOPE EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER

**Superintendent Roncone** asked the Tellers' Committee to provide a report on the first electoral ballot for the office of West Slope Executive Presbyter, with **the Chair** reported the following:

#### FIRST REPORT ON ELECTION OF NETWORK SUPERINTENDENT

Votes Cast	152
Needed to Elect	101

#### **Electronic Total**

Josh Cook 151 (99%)

**The Chair** expressed appreciation for **Josh Cook** and for his faithful service. **He** invited **Josh Cook** to greet the Council, who expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve the Network.

#### RATIFICATION OF PRESBYTERS

**Superintendent Roncone** invited **Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant** to read the qualifications and duties for **Sectional Presbyter**. **The Chair** requested a nomination report from the Network Council be presented, confirming the names of each qualified candidate having previously received a two-thirds vote in each section.

**The Chair** explained that during the **2023 Sectional Council**, each section nominated a person within their section to serve as Sectional Presbyter, which the bylaws require each nomination to be ratified by the Network Council in session. **The Chair** asked the **Tellers' Committee** to provide a report on the first electoral ballot for the ratification of Presbyters, with the **Chair** reported the following:

- Metro South Caleb McNaughton.
- Southern Section Bill Woods.
- Mountain Section Michael Dominguez.
- San Juan Darby Davis.
- West Central Chris Peterson.

**The Chair** instructed voters to prepare, reminding that a two-thirds majority is required to pass, and invited Northern Section Presbyter, **Rob Rocca**, to pray over the election process. After voting, **the Chair** closed the polls.

#### **TELLERS' REPORT FOR SECTIONAL PRESBYTERS**

**Superintendent Roncone** asked the chair of the **Tellers' Committee** to present a report of the ratification ballot for the office of Sectional Presbyter, and **the Chair** reported as follows:

## FIRST REPORT FOR RATIFICATION OF SECTIONAL PRESBYTERS Electronic Total

San Juan – Darby Davis Votes Cast: 150	128 (85%)
Needed to Elect: 100	
Mountain – Michael Dominguez	135 (90%)
Votes Cast: 150	100 (0070)
Needed to Elect: 100	
Metro South – Caleb McNaughton	133 (89%)
Votes Cast: 150	
Needed to Elect: 100	
West Central – Chris Peterson	135 (90%)
Votes Cast: 150	
Needed to Elect: 100	
Southern Section – Bill Woods	130 (87%)
Votes Cast: 150	
Needed to Elect: 100	

**The Chair** confirmed that each nominee received the required two-thirds vote and declared each elected to the office of **Sectional Presbyter**. **The Chair** expressed appreciation for the Presbytery.

#### GENERAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER (ORDAINED FEMALE) NOMINATION

**Superintendent Roncone** explained that every three years, the General Council permits each Network to present one nominee for the consideration of the seat of **Executive Presbyter** by an Ordained female. The Presbytery serves as the nominating committee, presenting qualified candidates to the Council for consideration.

**The Chair** credited RMMN with being one of the few Networks having elected females in leadership without bylaw legislative requirements and from peer recognition, despite gender distinctions. The Presbytery nominated the following individuals to be ratified by the Network Council in session:

- Heidi Franco
- Noreen Lemon
- Kelly Preston

The Chair informed that each vetted nominee meets all qualifications for the office, intending for one nominee to be presented for vote at General Council for a seat on the **General Council Executive Presbytery**. Having clarified voting instructions and reminding that a majority vote is required to pass, the Chair invited former RMMN Superintendent **Bob Cook** to pray over the election process. After voting, the Chair closed the polls and asked the Tellers' Committee to combine the results of the electronic and paper ballots and present a report.

#### TELLERS' REPORT FOR GC (ORDAINED FEMALE) EXECUTIVE PRESBYTER NOMINATION

**Superintendent Roncone** asked the chair of the Tellers' Committee to present a report of the Network's nominees for the office of General Council (Ordained Female) Executive Presbyter, and the chair reported as follows:

## FIRST REPORT FOR RATIFICATION OF GC (ORDAINED FEMALE) EP NOMINATION Electronic Total

Heidi Franco 38 (27%)

Votes Cast: 143

Needed to Elect: 72

Noreen Lemon 52 (36%)

Votes Cast: 143

Needed to Elect: 72

Kelly Preston 53 (37%)

Votes Cast: 143 Needed to Elect: 72

## SECOND REPORT FOR RATIFICATION OF GC (ORDAINED FEMALE) EP NOMINATION Electronic Total

Heidi Franco 25 (17%)

Votes Cast: 146

Needed to Elect: 74

Noreen Lemon 50 (34%)

Votes Cast: 146

Needed to Elect: 74

Kelly Preston 71 (49%)

Votes Cast: 146 Needed to Elect: 74

## THIRD REPORT FOR RATIFICATION OF GC (ORDAINED FEMALE) EP NOMINATION Electronic Total

Heidi Franco 1 (1%)

Votes Cast: 148

Needed to Elect: 75

Noreen Lemon 41 (28%)

Votes Cast: 148 Needed to Elect: 75

Kelly Preston 106 (71%)

Votes Cast: 148 Needed to Elect: 75

The Chair confirmed that Utah Executive Presbyter Kelly Preston received more than the sufficient votes required and confirmed Kelly as the nominee of RMMN for the 2023 General Council in session. The Chair invited Kelly to greet the Council, who expressed gratitude for the opportunity to represent the Network.

#### **ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**Assistant Superintendent Alex Lucero** expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve RMMN. **Alex** shared sentiment about the Network moving forward. **The Chair** invited a motion to receive the Assistant Superintendent's report.

NC-2023-0007 A motion prevailed to accept the Assistant Superintendent's Report.

#### **RESOLUTION 1: MERGING SOUTHEAST SECTION INTO SOUTHERN SECTION**

**Superintendent Roncone** invited Secretary/Treasurer **John Bryant** to read the following (Resolution 1) aloud:

## Rocky Mountain Ministry Network Resolution 1 Merging Southeast Section into the Southern Section

Whereas, The Southeast Section, currently having five churches has been unable to find qualified, willing, and available ordained ministers within the section to serve as it's presbyter for over a decade, and

Whereas, The Network after four years has tried to assist the section by educating its ministers, offering scholarships for ministers to advance their credential to the ordained level and raise up local leadership has exhausted all possible solutions to meet our Network bylaw requirement that the section be represented on the Network Presbytery (Article V, Section 3a and Article VI, Section 2a), and

Whereas, The Presbytery believes the section would best be served continuing their local fellowship meetings in an informal manner while being formally merged with the neighboring Southern Section until they are large enough to sustain their own section, be it therefore

Resolved, That the Network Bylaws Article VI, Section 1, c, (1), (a) be amended by adding the word "and" in between the words "Pikes Peak" and "Southern" and deleting the word "Southeast" from the list of sections within the East Slope Region to read.

#### (1) Geographical Regions

- (a) **Eastern Slope of Colorado**: Denver Metro North, Denver Metro South, Northern, Northeast, Pikes Peak, and Southern and Southeast.
- (b) **Western Slope of Colorado**: San Juan, West Central, Northwest and Mountain.
- (c) Utah: Northern and Southern.

Sponsored by the unanimous vote of the Network Presbytery in their January 2023 meeting.

**Superintendent Roncone** expressed appreciation for the pastors serving in the **Southeast** section. He noted the unanimous Presbytery decision which recommends the merger of the two sections, for reasons stated within the resolution.

**The Chair** provided ample opportunity for members to speak in favor of or against the resolution. After a time of discussion was afforded a question was called from the body requesting an end to debate, which was acknowledged by **the Chair**, receiving a second and a unanimous vote to end discussion.

The Chair then presented Resolution 1 requiring a two-thirds majority vote for passage. The Chair called for a voice vote on the resolution. Afterward, based upon verbal responses the Chair declared the vote passed. However, a request from one voting Council constituent requested the Chair provide a hand vote. Having acknowledged the request, the Chair offered an electronic vote provision to determine a more accurate result, instructing members that a 'Yes' vote was in favor of Resolution 1, and a 'No' vote was against Resolution 1. After electronic votes were cast, the Chair declared the voting closed.

## FIRST ELECTRONIC VOTE FOR RESOLUTION 1 Electronic Total

For Resolution 1: 'Yes' 106 (71%) Against Resolution 1: 'No' 43 (29%)

**Superintendent Roncone** confirmed that **Resolution 1** passed by more than the two-thirds needed, receiving 106 'Yes' votes (71%) in favor of the resolution, with 43 'No' votes (29%) against. **The Chair** expressed appreciation for the diverse group of members and praised their exercise of civility during the process.

#### SPECIAL GUEST REPORT

**Superintendent Roncone** invited **Josh Herndon**, **Consulting Specialist** at **Church Extension Plan**, to greet the Council and share a report. A brief **CEP** promotional media was presented. After concluding, **the Chair** expressed appreciation for **Josh** and RMMN's partnership with **CEP**, encouraging members to contact **Josh** for retirement considerations.

#### **NETWORK SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant** expressed gratitude for having the opportunity to serve the Network. He further expressed appreciation to **Superintendent Gene** and **Rhonda** for their godly Network leadership. Additionally, **John** offered appreciation to the Presbytery and to **Judy Bass**, his administrative assistant. **John** further offered appreciation to every RMMN minister for their obedience to the Lord with their faithful monthly giving of the tithe, offerings, and ministerial dues to RMMN.

Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant referencing the Presbytery-approved Annual Financial and Audit Report provided in advance of Council, presented the Budget and Finance and Presbytery-approved financial reports and the Independent Auditors' Report. John remarked that RMMN members were given opportunity in advance of Council to review and ask related questions from the provided reports. John also confirmed that the Presbytery and Budget and Finance Committee were given opportunity to review the Independent Auditors' Report and engage in discussion with the certified public accountant. Furthermore, John confirmed that RMMN received a "clean report" audit from the Adams Group, LLC, Certified Public Accountants.

Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant acknowledged the ongoing efforts of a successful finance partnership between RMMN Finance and Your Church Admin (YCA), the accounting office of the Illinois District Council of the A/G. The Chair distinguished an important implemented practice of recent years where the auditor presents the audit report to the Presbytery and RMMN Finance Committee, allowing for questions and discussion. The Chair asserted the importance of the Presbytery having access to the auditor. After time for questions and discussion was afforded, the Chair requested a motion to receive the financial report.

NC-2023-0008 A motion prevailed to accept the Financial Report.

The Chair commended John for his efforts serving as Secretary/Treasurer. The Chair reaffirmed his commitment to mobilizing every Network dollar in support of ministers and churches. He summarized the current monthly budget review process, which involves the Chair and Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant, who reviews each budget line-item and corrects what's noted while simultaneously creating a real-time 2024 corresponding monthly budget draft. The Chair concluded by expressing appreciation to each minister for their faithfulness in giving.

**Superintendent Roncone** recognized pastor **Chris Peterson**, inviting him to greet the body, noting his efforts of intentional mentoring transition in his church. **Chris** greeted the body, presenting **Pipeline Ministries** and how individuals may connect to financially partner together.

#### VIRTUE COLLEGE

**Superintendent Roncone** recognized pastor **Phil Steiger** of **Living Hope Church**, Colorado Springs, CO, confirming their new endeavor to offer **Virtue College**, in collaboration with **Trinity Bible College**, of Ellendale, ND.

#### CHURCH MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT REPORT

Superintendent Roncone invited Shawn Reine, Church Ministries Department director, to share an annual report. Shawn expressed appreciation to Superintendent Roncone for entrusting himself, Assistant CMD director, Linda Bottoms, and the entire CMD ministry team with the responsibility of resourcing RMMN churches and ministers. Shawn highlighted ministry wins, confirming increases in missions giving with Speed the Light and BGMC, and encouraged the body to utilize offered CMD church and minister resources. Superintendent Roncone expressed appreciation for Shawn Reine, noting his hard work and for exceeding ministry expectations. The Chair further expressed appreciation for Linda Bottoms and for the entire CMD ministry team.

NC-2023-0009

A motion prevailed to accept the report for the Church Ministries Department.

#### **CAMP CEDAREDGE REPORT**

**Superintendent Roncone** invited **Glenn Jones**, Director of **Camp Cedaredge**, to share an annual report. Afterward, **Superintendent Roncone** thanked **Glenn** for his outstanding efforts and acknowledged the great impact **Camp Cedaredge** has accomplished in serving Network churches.

NC-2023-0010

A motion prevailed to accept the report for Camp Cedaredge.

#### **CHI ALPHA REPORT**

**Superintendent Roncone** invited **Daran Lemon**, Director of **Chi Alpha**, Utah, and **Nate Banke**, Director of **Chi Alpha**, Colorado, to share ministry reports. **Nate** Banke and **Daran** Lemon greeted the body and highlighted ministry, expressing appreciation for continued partnership and support with the Network.

Feeling prompted by the Holy Spirit, **Superintendent Roncone** invited present **Chi Alpha** missionaries to come forward and stand beside both directors. **The Chair** further invited the entire body to respond by coming forward to stand with and pray over each Chi Alpha leader. **The Chair** led in prayer on behalf of each Chi Alpha leader, asking for a divine move of God to occur upon every represented college and university campus. **The Chair** concluded this time of extended prayer and Spirit-driven movement by expressing appreciation to the Council for **Nate Banke** and **Daran Lemon**.

NC-2023-0011

A motion prevailed to accept the report for Chi Alpha.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Having concluded business, the Chair said a motion to adjourn would be in order.

NC-2023-0012

A motion prevailed, and the business meeting adjourned at 11:56 AM.

#### <u>APPRECIATION TO HOST CHURCH</u>

## 2023 RMMN NETWORK COUNCIL Resolution of Appreciation

**Whereas** the ministers and delegates of the Rocky Mountain Ministry Network of the Assemblies of God have convened for the 105th Network Council, April 24-26, 2023, in Grand Junction, Colorado and

**Whereas**, Victory Life Church, its lead pastors, and staff have hosted this Council with gracious hospitality, generosity, and selfless service, and

**Whereas,** our Network team, Presbytery, committees, and volunteers have served this Council well, be it therefore,

Resolved, that this Council in session wishes to express deep appreciation to Pastors Josh and Sara Jane Cook, the staff and congregation of Victory Life Church, and be it further Resolved, that we express our appreciation to Superintendent Roncone, the Network office staff, guest speakers, Victory Life Church worship team, workshop leaders, and individuals who served on various committees.

Sponsored by the unanimous vote of the **Network Presbytery**.

NC-2023-0013

**A motion prevailed** to accept the Resolution of Appreciation.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Having concluded business, the Chair said a motion to adjourn would be in order.

NC-2023-0014

**A motion prevailed**, and the business meeting adjourned at 11:56 AM.

#### PLENARY SESSION - TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023 - 1:45 PM

**Rick DuBose**, **Assistant General Superintendent** of the Assemblies of God, led plenary session "Seasons, Part 2", encouraging ministers and concluded with prayer.

#### PLENARY SESSION - TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023 - 3:00 PM

**Rick DuBose**, **Assistant General Superintendent** of the Assemblies of God, led plenary session "Seasons, Part 3", encouraging ministers and concluded with prayer.

#### GENERAL SESSION #2 - TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023 - 7:00 PM

During the evening general session, **Superintendent Roncone** recognized the **CTC School of Pastoral Ministry** graduates. Afterward, **Superintendent Roncone** preached a timely message on Spirit-Driven Leadership, referring to the biblical text Acts 11:25-30, sharing how to sustain a spirit-friendly heart, encouraging the following priorities:

1. Sustain Sensitivity (Romans 8:14).

- 2. Embrace Interruptions (John 3:8).
- 3. Enlarge Perspective (Acts 11:29-30).
- 4. Guard Dependencies (Acts 11:28).

**Superintendent Roncone** recognized **Susan Cassell** for 18 years of faithful ministry serving three former RMMN Superintendents as administrative assistant at the Network office. **Pastor Roncone** concluded, emphasizing how Agabus was directed *through the Spirit* to respond to the Spirits' leading, offering "When it comes to spiritual effectiveness, sooner or later each one of us must decide what "through" means for our own life and ministry." The service concluded with an extended time of prayer at the altar.

#### U.S. MISSIONS AFTER-PARTY - TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023 - (7:00 PM - 9:00 PM)

#### MEMORIAL SERVICE - WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2023 - 10:00 AM

**Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant** led the memorial and communion service by honoring the lives and ministries of the following ministers and spouses who received their eternal reward in the past year:

#### **Ministers**

Rev. Daniel Hughes (O)	May 4, 1928 - March 21, 2022
Rev. Marjorie Reid (L)	January 20, 1938 - April 4, 2022
Rev. Howard Skinner (O)	March 25, 1929 – July 20, 2022
Rev. Cleta Logan (L)	August 01, 1929 - July 23, 2022
Rev. John Rowe (O)	June 14, 1944 - September 9, 2022
Rev. Thor Johnson (O)	March 31, 1952 - September 18, 2022
Rev. Donald Kreutzer, Sr. (O)	August 12, 1927 - October 31, 2022
Rev. Mark Thompson (O)	January 06, 1960 - December 31, 2022

#### **Ministers' Spouses**

Marilu Hoferman (Spouse of the late Rev. Boyd Hoferman)	April 30, 1927 – May 12, 2022
"Ginger" Joan Berhman (Spouse of Rev. William Behrman)	March 25, 1935 - August 11, 2022
Rev. Althea "Dolly" Henderson (Spouse of Rev. Donald Henderson)	January 23, 1940 - January 9, 2022

#### LUNCH BREAK & PEER INTERACTION, APRIL 26, 2023 - (11:15 AM - 1:30 PM)

#### POWER SESSIONS - Wednesday, APRIL 26, 2023 - (1:30 PM - 2:45 PM)

The following concurrent **Power** break-out sessions were provided for ministers and their spouses:

- Mariah Bradford: Minister's Wives.
- Mark Renfroe: What's Changing with Missions.

#### ORDINATION SERVICE: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2023 - 7:00 PM

**Superintendent Roncone** and his wife **Rhonda** welcomed invited guests and ministers to the Ordination Service. Afterward, **Victory Life Church's** worship team led worship.

#### **RECOGNZIED CERTIFIED MINISTERS**

Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant recognized the following Certificate of Ministry candidates: Micah Aragon, Melissa Briseno, Randall Burcham, Alan Calhoon, Jonathan Davis, Kaci Downey, Nicole Farley, Jeremie Hartrup, and Kristen Stephens. Former RMMN Superintendent Phil Neely led in prayer on behalf of the Certified ministers.

#### **RECOGNZIED LICENSED MINISTERS**

Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant recognized the following Certificate of Licensed candidates: Jeffrey Brown, Joshua Garboski, Loraine Speicher, Cody Van Pelt, Austin Hines, Peter Kluth, and Nick Ohrdorf. Former RMMN Superintendent Don Steiger led in prayer on behalf of the Licensed ministers.

#### ORDINATION SERMON

**Superintendent Roncone** welcomed and introduced special guests, **Doctors Paul** and **Carol Alexander**, of **Trinity Bible College & Graduate School**. They team-preached and delivered a dynamic ordination sermon.

#### 50-YEAR RECOGNITION (Class of 1973)

Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant recognized Rev. Vernon & Janice Finck, Rev. Jay & Linda Littlefield, and Rev. Stan & Gevena Rutkowski to recognize ministry couples for 50 years of ordained ministry. A media presentation followed, honoring each couple.

#### **ORDINATION CHARGE**

**Superintendent Roncone** gave the ordination charge to each candidate receiving their Certificate of Ordination before receiving their mantle through the laying on of hands by the **Network Presbytery** while **Secretary/Treasurer John Bryant** recognized the following:

- 1. Nicholas & Robin Dalfonso, both being ordained, laying on of hands by Sam Scalf and Josh Cook.
- 2. Sandra Forslund with spouse Darrel, laying on of hands by Rob Rocca.
- 3. Daniel Gilboy with spouse Casey, laying on of hands by Lonnie Campbell.
- 4. Robert Gonzalez with spouse Jessica, laying on of hands by Jim Brummett/Jason McManus.
- 5. Lance Austin Hines; laying on of hands by Chris Peterson/Josh Richardson.
- 6. James Saulter with spouse Christine; laying on of hands by Michael Dominguez/Paul Speicher.
- 7. Kari Stewart with spouse Jeffrey; laying on of hands by Kelly Preston.
- 8. Nathanael Ward with spouse Kelly; laving on of hands by Stan Formby.
- 9. Forrest White with spouse Allyson; laying on of hands by Noreen Lemon/Alex Lucero.

The evening service concluded **Council** with the **VLC** worship team singing a song of blessing over participants and concluded with a powerful time of prayer. The **Council** was invited to remain for fellowship and to congratulate the **Ordination Class of 2023** and their families, during the ordination reception which immediately followed.

Respectfully Submitted,

John H. Bryant

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