

Press Release of Classis Central Ontario, March 21, 2014

On behalf of the convening church, Burlington Fellowship, Rev. J.L. van Popta, calls the meeting to order. After reading Matt 16: 24-28 and 27:32, Rev. J.L van Popta leads in prayer. The delegates from Ebenezer church examine the credentials. All the churches are lawfully presented; three brothers attended by teleconference. Classis is constituted. Ebenezer is thanked for use of facilities for classis. The following officers are appointed: Chairman – Rev. J.L. van Popta, Vice-chairman – br. John Hordyk, Clerk – Rev. D. W. Vandeburgt

Under memorabilia, the chairman noted the following:

- various vacancies in churches and their efforts to call new ministers were remembered.
- the health concerns of Rev and Mrs. Mulder in Evergreen Terrace, Dr. J. Dejong in Shalom Manor, Rev D. Dejong in the Netherlands were remembered.
- retired ministers were remembered in their various works of service in the churches
- Fellowship has moved forward with building plans

The agenda is established.

Reports:

- letter received from brothers from Rehoboth who reviewed the books of the Committee for needy churches; books are in good order

Question period according to Article 44 of Church Order:

- Ottawa will be appealing Article 110 of General Synod
- Rehoboth sought advice regarding a case of church discipline

Appointments:

- convening church for next classis is Burlington – Waterdown, June 13, 2014
- suggested officers for next classis: Chairman – Rev. D.W. Vandeburgt, Vice-Chairman – delegate from Burlington Waterdown, clerk- Rev. G.Ph. VanPopta

Personal question period is held.

The chairman notes that censure is not required and thanks the delegates for their brotherly cooperation.

The Acts are read and approved.

The press release is read and approved.

The chairman requests the brothers to sing Hymn 64:1,2

Rev. D. W. Vandeburgt closed the meeting in prayer.

For Classis, J. Hordyk (vice-chairman)