

## **Press Release - Classis Pacific, June 5, 2014**

Rev. Justin Roukema opens classis on behalf of the Canadian Reformed Church of Abbotsford. He invited all to sing Ps. 133:1, 2. He read Colossians 4:2-18 and led in prayer.

Yarrow reported on the credentials of all the delegates and classis was constituted with all delegates present. Rev. A. Witten was appointed chairman, Rev. J. Roukema was appointed vice chairman and Rev. R. Schouten was appointed clerk. Then the agenda was adopted.

Classis received a letter from the ICRC URC (Abbotsford). The chairman read the letter to the classis and there was a brief discussion concerning its content.

There was one instruction from one of the churches for advice from classis.

The church visitors were happy to report that to hear that in all the churches things are regulated and done in full harmony with the Word of God, the office bearers could fulfill the duties of their office faithfully, the adopted order is being observed and maintained.

The chairman asked whether the ministry of the office bearers is being maintained, whether the decisions of the major assemblies are being honoured, and whether there is a matter in which the consistories need the judgment and help of classis for the proper government of their church. All the churches answer yes to the first two questions. All but one answer no to the third question. Advice is given to one of the churches with respect to the third question.

Classis appointed Aldergrove as the convening church for the next classis, to be convened on September 25, alternate date to December 4. Then various appointments were made. Classis suggests that next classis appoint Abbotsford as chairman, Aldergrove as vicechairman, Chilliwack as clerk.

There were no questions for question period.

The Acts of classis and press release are read and approved.

Rev. R. Schouten led in prayer and the meeting was closed.