

**Press Release of Classis Contracta of Pacific East convened by Aldergrove on June 16, 2022.**

Classis Pacific East was convened on June 16, 2022 by the church at Aldergrove, using an online format. On behalf of the convening church, Rev. Rob Schouten welcomed the participants and opened the meeting in a Christian manner.

This is a “Classis Contracta” hosted by Aldergrove as the convening church, with delegates from Sardis representing the neighboring church in accordance with the Church Order. The sole item on the agenda is the approbation of the call extended by Chilliwack Canadian Reformed Church to Rev. Ben Schoof of the Maranatha (Surrey) Canadian Reformed Church.

Rev. Rob Schouten served as Chairman and Elder Ken Krabbendam as Vice-Chairman / Clerk. The credentials of the attending delegates were found to be in good order.

Chilliwack has provided the relevant documents required to approbate the call to Rev. Schoof. The documents are found to be in good order, the proper announcements have been made, and Lord willing, Rev. Schoof is scheduled to be installed as the Minister of the Word and Sacraments on July 3, 2022 in the 10 am worship service with Rev. J. Visscher presiding.

Rev. Schouten notes with thankfulness that the Lord has provided Chilliwack with a pastor after a lengthy vacancy and wishes Chilliwack and Rev. Schoof the Lord’s continued blessings. He also expresses appreciation for the addition of another minister to Classis Pacific East before closing the meeting with a prayer of thanksgiving.

Elder Ken Krabbendam (Clerk at the time)