Press Release: Classis Northern Ontario, March 21, 2019

On behalf of the convening church, the Living Word Canadian Reformed Church of Guelph, Rev. D. Agema began with the reading of Mt. 13:24-30, 36-43 and a brief meditation on these verses. He then led in prayer, followed by the singing of Hymn 76:2,3. In addition to welcoming the delegates, Rev. Agema also noted that Rev. P. Feenstra could not be present due to health concerns and that Rev. J. Moesker (Emeritus minister of Owen Sound) was also dealing with health concerns.

The following officers were appointed: Rev. D. Agema as chairman, Rev. R. Visscher as vice-chairman, and Rev. T. Wierenga as clerk.

A report from a committee appointed by CNO Sept. 27, 2019 to evaluate the manner in which candidates for the ministry are examined, was present for discussion. Input was given and noted by Rev. Wierenga, who is serving as the convener for this committee. A church visitation report was received with thankfulness in regards to a church visit made on June 20, 2018 to Living Word.

The chairman asked the questions set out in Article 44 of the Church Order. Classis was asked to give concurring advice in a matter of discipline. Concurring advice was given.

The convening church for the next classis will be Orangeville Canadian Reformed Church. The suggested date is Friday June 21, 2019. The suggested officers are: Rev. J. Chase as chairman, Rev. T. Wierenga as vice-chairman, and Rev. D. Agema as clerk.

Question period was made use of. The chairman determined that there was no need for censure. The Acts and Press Release were read and adopted.

Following the singing of Ps. 98:3, 4, the chairman led in prayer.

For Classis Northern Ontario, March 21, 2019, Rev. R. Visscher, vice-chairman.