

DELEGATION OF PRESBYTERY RESPONSIBILITIES

Presbytery of Cincinnati

reported to the Presbytery by the Stated Clerk on March 14, 2006
revisions and additions since then are noted

The *Book of Order* permits a governing body to "delegate particular aspects of its task to councils, board, agencies, commission, and committees, but always on the basis of accountability to the governing body." G-9.0403

The Presbytery of Cincinnati has delegated the following:

To the **Presbytery Council**

Tasks performed when timing between presbytery meetings makes it expedient for the Council to complete the task:

- Confirm the Moderator's designation of a Committee of Counsel (D-6.0302).
- Confirm the Moderator's appointment of an Investigating Committee (D-10.0201b).

To the **Committee on Ministry**

Tasks performed regularly on behalf of the presbytery:

- Conduct "Entrance Interviews" which fulfill the requirement for the presbytery to examine ministers transferring from other presbyteries (G-11.0402) or other denominations (G-11.0404e) after the requirements of G-11.0404a, b have been met.

Tasks performed when timing between presbytery meetings makes it expedient for the COM to complete the task.

- Find in order calls issued by churches (G-11.0502h)
- Approve and present calls for services of ministers (G-11.0502h)
- Dissolve the pastoral relationship in cases whenever the congregation and pastor concur (G-11.0502h)
- Grant permission to labor within or outside the bounds of the presbytery (G-11.0502h)
- Dismiss ministers to other presbyteries (G-11.0502h)
- Appoint moderators of session (G-10.0103b)

All such action shall be reported to the next stated meeting of the presbytery (G-11.0502h)

(additional tasks delegated to COM by the presbytery on February 9, 2010)

- Renewing contracts for Commissioned Lay Pastors continuing service
- Designate appropriate pastors as honorably retired
- Designate mentors for Commissioned Lay Pastors

All such action shall be reported to the next stated meeting of the presbytery (G-11.0502h)

To the **Committee on Preparation for Ministry**

Tasks performed regularly on behalf of the presbytery

- Enroll inquirers, with the provision that the action be reported to the next stated meeting of the presbytery. (G-14.0302e)

To the **Presbytery Moderator** (approved by the presbytery on February 12, 2008)

Tasks performed regularly on behalf of the presbytery

- appoint administrative commissions that ordain and/or install ministers of the Word and Sacrament

Also, the presbytery authorized the celebration of the Lord's Supper at any ordination and/or installation for which a request is made to the Moderator.