

**PRESBYTERY AND CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
VERBAL REPORT
May 17, 2008**

Grace Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles

Motion #1

The Presbytery and Congregational Development Committee recommends the Presbytery concur with the request of the congregation of Grace Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles, to dissolve the congregation effective, June 30, 2008.

Background:

The congregation of Grace Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles, voted to close the church at a congregational meeting on Sunday, April 20, 2008. Then on Sunday, May 10, 2008 at a congregational meeting the congregation voted to close the church effective, June 30, 2008 and to have a celebration of the ministry and mission of the church on Sunday, June 29 with Worship at 10:30 a.m. followed by a luncheon. People who have been working with Grace since the decision has been made are The Reverend Sharon Yagerlener, Chaplain, member of COM, Barbara Murphy, Karen Vietmeier & Steve Yamaguchi, Staff. PCD and COM will work together to help the church with the celebration on June 29 and help them find church homes and support them in this grieving process.

If the above motion is approved, the presbytery needs to approve the following two “enabling motions”:

“To facilitate the actions necessary to dissolve the Grace Presbyterian Church, the presbytery grants to its Presbytery and Congregational Development Committee and its Committee on Ministry, all authority necessary to provide pastoral care, counsel, advice, and assistance to the congregation.” And further...

“To meet the legal and corporate requirements of closing a church, the presbytery grants to its corporate officers all authority and powers so designated by the church corporation.”

Thank You!