

PRESBYTERY OF THE TWIN CITIES AREA
August Treasurer's Report

August 10, 2011

TO: Presbytery Council and Trustees

FROM: Edwin Martin, Treasurer

July 2011 Financial Report

PER CAPITA: As we come to the middle of the summer receipts for Per Capita from congregations are slowly coming up, though still behind budget to date. \$400.7 K has been received, or 55% of anticipated receipts. That is a little behind where we were a year ago.

GENERAL MISSION: Congregations continue to send in their pledges for General Mission. The Presbytery has received \$115.8 K to date or 51% of anticipated receipts. This figure is slightly ahead of last year's receipts to date.

EXPENSES: Much of the activity of the various committees has slowed which gives the Presbytery a positive balance at this point. The Book of Order mandated committees have not spent very much, only 22% of their budgets. The Workgroup committees/teams are basically on target at 58% of budget. Staff and Administrative expenses, the largest part of the budget, are running at anticipated levels: 49% and 56% respectively.

COMMENT: I continue to be concerned about the lack of support for the work of our Presbytery. There are a number of congregations who do not support our work by contributing Per Capita. I feel that the leadership of the Presbytery, Council and other chairs, needs to be more involved in encouraging participation. How does someone not contribute to the on-going administrative work of our denominational family, but then wants to have a voice in the decisions of that family? I am very willing to visit any church to help them understand that though the Presbytery has no means to require participation, there is a moral obligation.

Respectfully submitted,
Edwin Martin, Treasurer