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**Report from Synod Assembly
to the Presbytery of Elizabeth
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The April 26, 2006 meeting was the last Synod Assembly under the twice-a-year configuration. From now on, the Synod of the Northeast will be meeting only once a year, in October. Leadership will be conducted by two newly elected executives. Elder Mary Lynn Flowers will be the Synod Executive for Administration and Stated Clerk, and she'll basically stick around the Synod office in East Syracuse, NY. The Rev. Clint McCoy will be the Executive for Partnerships; his job will be mostly out in the field working with Presbytery Partnership Groups.

"Remind me," you might say. "What are Presbytery Partnership Groups?" The Synod has been sectioned off into five Presbytery Partnership Groups (PPGs). All the Presbyteries in the state of New Jersey, plus the Eastern Korean Presbytery, are one partnership group. These groups will meet at least twice a year (our PPG has already gotten together this past February and March—both times in New Brunswick) to find out what they have in common, how they can cooperate in doing Christ's work, how they can develop new ministries, how they should use mission dollars, to name a few things. It's kind of at the exploring and getting-to-know-each-other stage right now. We'll see where God leads us!

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