
General Assembly Papers web catalog

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1997 GENERAL ASSEMBLY ISSUES

Office of the General Assembly and GAC, VIDEO

The issues to be discussed at the 1997 G.A. in Syracuse, New York, are summarized for the commissioners who will be attending.

1997-98 HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE AND STUDY GUIDE

Office of the General Assembly BOOK

Approved by the 210th General Assembly (1998). This year's update lifts up five categories of human rights' concerns: civil rights, political rights, economic rights, social and cultural rights, and religious rights.

2001 COMMISSIONER ORIENTATION

213TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

PCUSA VIDEO

This video covers the orientation for commissioners to the 213th G.A. 2001.

208TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY ISSUES

PCUSA VIDEO

The video covers some of the issues expected to come up at the 1996 General Assembly in Albuquerque, N.M., June 29 to July 6.

ACTION OF THE 204TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY (1992)

ON THE MAJORITY REPORT, PROBLEM PREGNANCIES

Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA BOOK

Excerpt from the 1992 Minutes of the General Assembly, Part I.

ALCOHOL USE & ABUSE: THE SOCIAL AND HEALTH

EFFECTS. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY PCUSA.

Office of Social Welfare/Program Relations The Program Agency BOOK

Adopted by the 198th (1986) General Assembly. (See also: Alcoholism/Drug Awareness file.) Study Guide available, same title. Two Reports: Report and Recommendations on the Social and Health Effects of Alcohol Use and Abuse; Implementation of an Expanded Churchwide Address to Alcohol-Related Problems.

ALL THE LIVE LONG DAY: WOMEN AND WORK

Office of the General Assembly PCUSA BOOK

A Study Paper and Recommendations adopted by the 200th General Assembly (1988), PCUSA

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BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

Copy 2. Presbyterian Charismatic Communion BOOK

Presbyterian Charismatic Communion BOOK
 This is a report of the Theological Commission to the 169th Regular Session of the Reformed Churches in America (June 1975).

CALL TO CHURCH INVOLVEMENT IN THE RENEWAL OF PUBLIC EDUCATION

The Educational & Congregational Nurture BOOK
 This report was adopted by the 199th (1987) General Assembly. The pamphlet acknowledges the history of Presbyterian Churches' concerns for public education, examines the realities of today and indicates strategies for our church's engagement with public education at each court level.

CALL TO THE CHURCHES TO ENGAGE THE ISSUES OF PUBLIC EDUCATION IN STUDY AND ACTION

Education in the Society The National Council of Churches of Christ BOOK
 A document commended to churches for study and discussion. General Assembly reports.

CATALOG OF THEOLOGICAL STATEMENTS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.) GENERAL ASSEMBLIES

Office of Theology and Worship, CMD, PCUSA BOOK
 The catalog indexes theological statements from 1935-1996 of the PCUS, the UPCNA, PCUSA, UPCUSA, and PC(USA). It includes major statements that have appeared in the G.A. Minutes and whose subject matter is either directly theological or includes a strong theological component and that are of continuing significance to church theology today.

Office of Theology and Worship, CMD, PCUSA BOOK
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CENTRAL AMERICA UPDATE: A REPORT TO THE 199TH (1987) GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PCUSA

Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA BOOK
 This report investigates the human rights situation, progress of democracy, and progress toward economic justice in El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua.

CHANGING FAMILIES

A CHURCHWIDE STUDY DOCUMENT

Task Force on Changing Families General Assembly Council, 2001 BOOK
 This study document was prepared by the Task Force on Changing Families of the Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy to encourage the church to study this issue and offer feedback to the task force and committee as they prepare and propose a policy statement for the 214th General Assembly (2002).

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CHRISTIAN OBEDIENCE IN A NUCLEAR AGE

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 PCUSA
 BOOK

CHURCH & SOCIETY: 1992 GENERAL ASSEMBLY ISSUE

JULY/AUGUST 1992

Social Justice and Peacemaking Unit, PCU BOOK
 Articles include: The Church and the Urban Crisis; The Church in U.S. Society; The Church in its own Life; and a Special Section--Beyond Los Angeles.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: 2002 GENERAL ASSEMBLY ISSUE

JULY/AUGUST 2002

PCUSA, 2002 PERIODICA
 2002 General Assembly Issue. Articles included are: "That All May Enter" 25th Anniversary; The Church in U.S. Society; The Church in Global Society; Response to September 11 and other Social Justice Actions of the 214th General Assembly 2002.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: A VISION FOR THE CHILDREN, THE CHURCH

SEPT/OCT ISSUE 1997

PCUSA PERIODICA
 Martha Bettis Gee wrote the introduction on A Millenium of the Child. Sections include: Let Children be Children; Let Children be Safe and Secure; Let Children be First; Let Children be Welcomed and Belong.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: AGENDA FOR TRANSFORMATION

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 1993

Social Justice and Peacemaking Unit, PCU PERIODICA
 Articles address cutting-edge concerns in U.S. society.They include Theology of Transformation, The Role of Govt.,Toward a New World Order, A New Paradigm for Health Care, Politics of Hunger, New Community Development Vision, The Role of Media, The Role of the Teaching Elder, and more.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2001

National Ministries Div; GAC; PCUSA, 20 PERIODICA
 Vol. 92, No. 1. Asia and the Pacific: the impact and sustainability of globalization. Introduction by Peter A. Sulyok, Coordinator of the Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy, PCUSA.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: CALLED TO FREEDOM ISSUE

MAY/JUNE 1989

Social Justice and Peacemaking Unit, PCU PERIODICA
 "Called to Freedom," from the Seventeenth Biennial Social Welfare Ministries Conference, held in Tampa, Florida, Feb. 2-5, 1989.Copy #2 - Copy #1 for Reference only

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CHURCH & SOCIETY: CHILDREN: NOT WHOLE YET	SEP/OCT 2000		PCUSA, 2000	PERIODICA	Sermons and articles cover an array of concerns for children's situations today, including issues of health, of war, and of poverty.
CHURCH & SOCIETY: COMMUNICATION FOR HUMAN DIGNITY	NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1997		National Ministries Div., PCUSA	PERIODICA	This issue concerns identifying and defining the range of justice issues as they pertain to the media. The articles provide concrete steps that can be taken within the Reformed faith and ecumenical communities to address the various media affronts to human dignity and to reinforce the media efforts to augment positive values.
CHURCH & SOCIETY: CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS	MAY/JUNE 2000		PCUSA 2000	PERIODICA	Articles on nine constitutional amendments covering laws to protect citizens that have not been applied evenly or equally to all persons. Targets various problems that should be addressed.
CHURCH & SOCIETY: CREATING PEACEABLE KINGDOM FOR CHILDR	JAN/FEB 2004	Child Advocacy Office/ Presbyterian Peacemaking	PCUSA - National Ministries Division	PERIODICA	Provides a forum for the church on subjects of social concern for Christians. It includes reflective comment on social issues, models and resources for individual and group study and action, and articles to encourage dialogue among persons with religious commitment.
CHURCH & SOCIETY: DANCE, CHILDREN OF GOD!	MAY/JUNE 1995 ISSUE: PHEWA BIENNIAL	National Ministries Division	PCUSA	PERIODICA	This issue covers the PHEWA Biennial held in New Orleans. The articles, taken from 15 of the 31 workshops, reflect the diversity of the ministries and issues currently before the church.
CHURCH & SOCIETY: ENCIRCLING CARE	MARCH/APRIL 2002	National Ministries Division	General Assembly Council, PCUSA, 2002	PERIODICA	Encircling Care: A New Vision for Congregational Caregiving
CHURCH & SOCIETY: ETHICS OF LIFE & DEATH	MAR/APR 2001		PCUSA, 2001	PERIODICA	This issue dicusses making healthy Christian choices. Articles cover genetic technology and human cloning; responsibility for the uninsured; long-term illness, homophobia, death & dying, all within the context of the church as a community of moral discourse.

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PCUSA PERIODICA

Articles are divided into the following sections: The Church in Its Own Life; The Church in U.S. Society; and The Church in Global Society.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1994

JULY/AUGUST 1994

National Ministries Division, PCUSA PERIODICA

This issue contains statements and resolutions from the 206th General Assembly (1994) on the following: The Church in its Own Life; The Church in Global Society; The Church in U.S. Society. INCLUDES RESOLUTION ON RE-IMAGINING CONFERENCE CONTROVERSY.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1995

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 1995

National Ministries, Div., PCUSA PERIODICA

This issue contains statements and resolutions from the 207th General Assembly (1995), which strongly favored reconciliation. Articles, statements, and resolutions are divided into the following sections: The Church in U.S. Society; The Church in Global Society; The Church in Its Own Life.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1996

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 1996

National Ministries Div., PCUSA PERIODICA

This issue covers social justice actions of the 208th General Assembly. Articles are divided into: The Church in its Own Life; The Church in Global Society; and The Church in U.S. Society.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1997

JULY/AUGUST 1997

National Ministries Div., PCUSA PERIODICA

This issue covers social justice actions and conferences, as well as the commissioners' issue vote. Articles are divided into: The Church in Global Society; The Church in U.S. Society; The Church in its Own Life; From the Common Ground Conference; From the Racial Justice and Reconciliation Conference.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1998

JULY/AUGUST 1998

National Ministries Div., GAC, PCUSA BOOK

Social justice actions of the 210th General Assembly. Contains articles on the church in global society, the church in U.S. society, and the church in its own life.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1999

JULY/AUGUST 1999

Natl. Ministries Div., GAC, PCUSA PERIODICA

Social Justice actions of the 211th G.A. (1999) in the following areas: The Church in Its Own Life; The Church in Global Society; and The Church in U.S. Society.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2000

JUL/AUG 2000

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			PCUSA, 2000		PERIODICA
		Social justice actions of the 212th General Assembly			
CHURCH & SOCIETY: GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2001					
	JULY/AUGUST 2001				
			National Ministries Div., GAC, PCUSA, 20 PERIODICA		
	Social justice actions of the 213th General Assembly. The lead editorial, Rooted and Grounded in Love, by Syngman Rhee, Moderator of the 212th General Assembly. Articles cover issues under three general topic headings: The Church in U.S. Society, The Church in Global Society and The Church in its Own Life.				
CHURCH & SOCIETY: GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2003					
	JULY/AUGUST 2003; VOL. 93, NO. 6				
	Hargleroad, Bobbi Wells, editor		National Ministries Div., GAC, PCUSA, 20 PERIODICA		
	Social justice actions of the 215th General Assembly. The introduction is by Fahed Abu-Akel, Moderator of the 214th General Assembly. Articles cover National Issues and Global Issues and Peacemaking.				
CHURCH & SOCIETY: GLOBAL ETHICS					
	SEPT/OCT 1998				
			PCUSA		PERIODICA
	Significant conversations about the struggle for core ethical standards at the threshold of the new millenium.				
CHURCH & SOCIETY: HATE					
	SEPT/OCT 1999				
			National Min. Division, PCUSA		PERIODICA
	This issue looks at hate. Though it does not offer many solutions, the articles have questions for reflection, discussion, and action. A service for wholeness and healing is included.				
CHURCH & SOCIETY: HOLY HUMOR, SACRED LAUGHTER...					
	MAY/JUNE 1997: PHEWA BIENNIAL				
	National Ministries Division		PCUSA		PERIODICA
	This issue covers the PHEWA Biennial Social Welfare Ministries Conference in Charlotte, NC, Jan 16-19, 1997.				
CHURCH & SOCIETY: HOMELESSNESS					
	MAY/JUN 2000				
			PCUSA, 2001		PERIODICA
	Articles cover the nature, causes, and responses to the enduring problem of homelessness in the United States. In the last 25 years, the ranks of the homeless have included a growing number of women and children. The church community is an important advocate and source of support, but the tragedy continues and we are called to even deeper commitment.				
CHURCH & SOCIETY: HOPE & CHALLENGE OF RECONCILIATION					
	MAY/JUNE 2002				

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National Ministries Division
 General Assembly Council, PCUSA, 2002 PERIODICA
 The Hope & Challenge of Reconciliation Today. Reflections on The Confession of 1967 after 35 years.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: HOPE FOR A GLOBAL FUTURE

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 1997

National Ministries Div., PCUSA PERIODICA

This issue focuses on the denomination's 1996 report entitled "Hope for a Global Future: Toward Just and Sustainable Human Development." Sustainable development is defined as the process of change in the world's economies that advances human well-being without degrading the physical or social environment.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE FULLNESS

OF LIFE, VOLUME 88, NO. 4, MARCH/APRIL 1998 ISSUE

PCUSA PERIODICA

This issue marks the 50th anniversary of the universal declaration of human rights. Includes special supplement on the PCUSA welfare conference.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: JUBILEE TIME

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 1996

National Ministries Div., PCUSA PERIODICA

The speeches, sermons, poetry, and prayers that were part of the Fifteenth Anniversary of the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program and the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the United Nations, held in August 1995 on Long Island at the Presbyterian Peacemaking Jubilee Conference.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: JUST PEACEMAKING, SOVEREIGNTY

NOV/DEC 1996

National Ministries Division, PCUSA PERIODICA

This issue contains a variety of articles by different authors that pursue the exploration of a "just peacemaking", beginning with the viewpoint of a Devil's Advocate.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: JUSTICE AND ONLY JUSTICE...

MARCH/APR. 1997

National Ministries Division PCUSA PERIODICA

The articles in this issue address and, sometimes, challenge the criminal justice system. Authors address the sentencing system; the hurts and needs of the victims, the offenders, and the community; gun control; police accountability; the response of the PCUSA.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: LEARNING TO DIALOGUE

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 1992

Social Justice and Peacemaking Unit, GAC PERIODICA

This issue, "Learning to Dialogue," is subtitled, "Building Interreligious Community." Included are the New Pluralism, case studies, the next conversation (emerging issues), tools for discussion and study, and another dialogue--beyond Los Angeles.

CHURCH & SOCIETY: LOOK AT THE WORLD THROUGH WOMENS EYES

MAY/JUNE 1996

Title 1	Title 2	Author	Publisher	Media	Summary
		National Ministries Division	PCUSA		PERIODICA
		Subtitled, "Bringing Beijing Home." Articles stem from the UN Fourth World Conference on Women that met in Beijing China in September 1995. Topics include The World; The Conference; Theology and the Church; The World Through Young Women's Eyes; and Bringing Beijing Home.			
CHURCH & SOCIETY: MARATHON OF HOPE					
					MARCH/APRIL 1996
		National Ministries Division	PCUSA		PERIODICA
		Subtitled "Renewing the Journey with Central America." These articles guide us through a look at today's Central America and the Latin American theology.			
CHURCH & SOCIETY: MISSION IN THE 1990S					
					SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 1993
			PCUSA		PERIODICA
		Sub-titled: Commitment to God's Hopeful Vision. Articles include Action by the 205th General Assembly (1993); Partnership in Mission; The Poor as Christ for the Rich.			
CHURCH & SOCIETY: NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRY					
					MARCH/APRIL 2000
			PCUSA 2000		PERIODICA
		This issue reveals the diversity of the many Native Americans--educators, lay leaders, students, clergy--and their perspective on issues that affect the Native American people directly.			
CHURCH & SOCIETY: POWER AND LANGUAGE					
					NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1998
			PCUSA		PERIODICA
		Addresses the power of language to hurt, heal, wound or nurture.			
CHURCH & SOCIETY: PRESBYTERIAN 101 ISSUE					
					NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1991
			Social Justice & Peacemaking Unit, PCUS		PERIODICA
		The articles in this issue introduce adults and older youth to some basic ideas of the Reformed tradition. An excellent study resource (including a study guide) for church officers, church school teachers, and new members as well as for anyone else who wants to know more about their Presbyterian heritage.			
CHURCH & SOCIETY: RACISM IN THE GLOBAL VILLAGE					
					JAN/FEB 2001
			PCUSA, 2001		PERIODICA
		Articles focus on the causes, persistence, practices, and impact of racism and racial discrimination, not exclusively in the United States, but around the world.			
CHURCH & SOCIETY: REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS					
					NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1994

Title 1	Title 2	Author	Publisher	Media	Summary
			PCUSA		BOOK
					Articles help readers better understand what it means to be a refugee and to know more about the international picture. Notes accompany many articles on how gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing benefit these sojourners. Themes of fright and flight are woven into the drama of the refugees.
CHURCH & SOCIETY: RE-IMAGINING GOD...COMMUNITY...					
	MAY/JUNE 1994		National Ministries Division, PCUSA		PERIODICA
					A special issue that reproduces a sampling of presentations heard by participants at the Re-Imagining Conference in November 1993 at Minneapolis, MN. This conference sparked a major controversy within the PCUSA; the issue is to be addressed at the June 1994 General Assembly.
CHURCH & SOCIETY: RELIGION, VIOLENCE, TERRORISM					
	MAY/JUNE 2004; VOL. 94, NO. 5		Church and Society, PC(USA), 2004		BOOK
					Church & Society. This issue provides readers with an opportunity to be guided by the materials that enlightened the Presbyterian Work Group on violence, religion and terrorism as it's authored the critical resolution that will be reviewed by the 216th General Assembly 2004.
CHURCH & SOCIETY: SEEKING THE PLACE OF THE CITY					
	NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1995		National Ministries Div., PCUSA		PERIODICA
					Subtitled "The Next Decade in Urban Ministry," this issue concentrates on a particular action by a Presbyterian General Assembly. Articles are categorized: Person-centered and Interpersonal; Congregationally Enacted and Interacted; Community Partnered; Nurtured and Connected by Governing Bodies; Seminary-equipped; Given Vision, Experience in Worship.
CHURCH & SOCIETY: SOCIAL POLICY WITNESS					
	NOV/DEC 1999		PCUSA		PERIODICA
					Where the church's role in social witness has been recently and the challenges of the coming millenium.
CHURCH & SOCIETY: SPECIAL REPRINT, BEYOND GENERAL					
	ASSEMBLY, BEYOND LOS ANGELES, JULY/AUGUST 1992		Social Justice & Peacemaking Ministry Uni		PERIODICA
					This special reprint includes The Church and the Urban Crisis, Statement of Concern and Call to Action by the 204th General Assembly (1992); Urban Ministry; and a Special Section called Beyond Los Angeles. First-person experiences are shared in sermons and reflections. There are addresses to the G.A. and urban strategies, both past and present.
CHURCH & SOCIETY: SPIRITUALITY, COMMUNITY, AND JUSTICE					
	NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1992		Social Justice and Peacemaking Unit, PCU		PERIODICA
					Included in this issue are articles on Isaiah 58, a discussion of John Calvin, the experience of the African-American Christian community in the United States, and an autobiographical reflection on all of them on the theme of spirituality, community, and justice.

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CHURCH & SOCIETY: THE YEAR WITH EDUCATION					
JANUARY/FEBRUARY 1998					
			PCUSA	PERIODICA	
Articles on Christian Education, Public Education, Higher Education, Theological Education, and Global Education, marking the G.A. Year with Education.					
CHURCH & SOCIETY: TOWARD A COMPREHENSIVE HISPANIC					
STRATEGY. JAN/FEB 2000					
			PCUSA	PERIODICA	
Each of these articles provide glimpses of Hispanic culture and tradition. Articles are in English but contain a brief summary in Spanish. Questions for discussion and reflection end each article.					
CHURCH & SOCIETY: TOWARD A WORLD COMMUNITY					
SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 1994					
			National Ministries Division, PCUSA	PERIODICA	
Subtitled, The United Nations and the Future. This issue consists of three substantive parts. 1) A brief overview of the relationship of the Presbyterian Church to the U.N.,2) Toward an Ethos of World Community--articles for discussion,3) A handbook of resources on the U.N., on worship, and suggested action activities.					
CHURCH & SOCIETY: VIOLENCE: ROOTS, REALITIES					
JANUARY/FEBRUARY 1995					
			PCUSA	PERIODICA	
No longer an issue that people face somewhere else, violence is now "down the street, in our schools, and in neighborhoods only a few miles away." This issue helps church people look at the issue and recognize their own complicity in it and also learn what the church might do to help halt the escalation of violence in our society.					
CHURCH & SOCIETY: WALKING WITH AFRICANS					
MARCH/APRIL 1995					
			National Ministries Division, PCUSA	PERIODICA	
This issue focuses on Africa and the articles have been divided into four major sections: An Event: A Year with Africa; The Church and Democratization; Issues to Confront; and Reflections on Mission in and from Africa.					
CHURCH & SOCIETY: WELCOMING ANGELS IN OUR MIDST					
MAY/JUNE 1999: PHEWA CONFERENCE					
			PCUSA	PERIODICA	
Articles on the Biennial Conference of PHEWA (Presbyterian Health, Education and Welfare Association) in Jan. 1999 in San Diego					
CHURCH & SOCIETY: WHILE THE EARTH REMAINS					
MARCH/APRIL 1990 ISSUE					
			PCUSA	PERIODICA	
Papers of the Presbyterian Eco-Justice Task Force.					

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BOOK

This compilation of contemporary policy statements assembles many of the General Assembly actions of the past three decades with regard to the criminal justice system. Topics include Corrections and Alternatives; Capital Punishment; Gun Control; Juvenile Delinquency; Legal Aid; Privacy Issues; Victims; and more.

CHURCH: RESPONDING TO RURAL AMERICA, A REPORT

APPROVED BY THE 203RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY (1991)

Evangelism & Church Development Minist BOOK

This document contains the two most recent papers on rural ministry: "The Church: Responding to Rural America" and "Rural Community in Crisis," adopted by the 203rd General Assembly (1991). This report details the emerging new focus on rural ministry in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and makes recommendations for developing a comprehensive strategy.

COMPOSITE REVIEW OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY

STATEMENTS ON PEACEMAKING AND THE ARMS RACE

PCUSA

BOOK

This pamphlet quotes material from G.A. Minutes from the 158th-194th UPCUSA and from the 95th-121st PCUS meetings.

DISCIPLINES OF READINESS

Brueggemann, Walter

PCUSA

BOOK

Occasional Paper No. 1, by the Theology and Worship Unit, is being made available to congregations for study and for comment. It is an address, given by Dr. Brueggemann, professor of Old Testament at Columbia Theological Seminary, at the dedication of the Presbyterian Center in Louisville, KY.

EDUCATING FOR JUSTICE MODELS

The Synod of the Northeast, PCUSA

BOOK

This manual contains social witness policies and ministries and was produced by participants in a workshop sponsored by Synod's Ministry Agency and the General Assembly Advisory Council on Church and Society.

ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Advisory Cte Social Witness, PCUSA

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Policy statements, papers: Hope for a Global Future (GA 1996), Church & Society (1997), Debt, Jubilee (1994), etc.

FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN, BEIJING, CHINA

Office of Women's Advocacy, NMD

PAMPHLET

Report on the conference and NGOL Non-Governmental Organizations Forum Sept. 4-15, 1995, Beijing. 208th GA approved.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY ORIENTATION

214th GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 2002

Title 1	Title 2	Author	Publisher	Media	Summary
		Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA	PCUSA, 2002		VIDEO
		This video covers the orientation for commissioners to the 214th G.A. in Columbus, Ohio, June 15-22, 2002.			

GOD ALONE IS LORD OF THE CONSCIENCE

Office of the General Assembly	PCUSA	BOOK
Policy Statement and Recommendations regarding religious liberty. Report of the Committee on Religious Liberty and Church/State Relations, adopted by the 200th General Assembly (1988), PCUSA.		

GROWING IN THE LIFE OF CHRISTIAN FAITH

Theology and Worship Ministry Unit	PCUSA	BOOK
A report on faith development approved by the 201st General Assembly (1989) for study. Explores the nature and dynamics of growth in the Christian faith and what the Reformed Tradition has to say about how people come to Christian faith and participate ever more fully in the life of faith.		

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 205TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY [1993]

	Media Services, PCUSA	VIDEO
Features the G.A. held June 2-9, 1993 in Orlando, Florida.		

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 206TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

WICHITA, KANSAS - JUNE 10-17, 1994

	Media Services, PCUSA	VIDEO
Excerpts of the General Assembly that dealt with the issue of the Re-Imagining Conference. An overview of the entire meeting, with emphasis on the joy experienced when schism did not take place.		

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 209TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SYRACUSE, NEW YORK, JUNE 14-21, 1997

	Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA	VIDEO
This video capsulizes the proceedings of the 209th General Assembly, including the vote to amend Amendment B and to send the amendment to the presbyteries for approval. Patricia Brown, an elder from Cincinnati, is elected Moderator for the 1997-98 term.		

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 210TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.), CHARLOTTE NC, 1998

	Office of General Assembly, PCUSA	VIDEO
This video capsulizes the proceedings of the 210th G.A., held in Charlotte, North Carolina, June 13-20, 1998. The Reverend Douglas Oldenburg is elected moderator and will serve the PCUSA during his 1998-99 term.		

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 211TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

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OGA, PCUSA

VIDEO

Highlights of the 211th G.A. held at Fort Worth, Texas, June 19-26, 1999. Freda Gardner elected moderator for 1999-2000.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 212TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA, 2 VIDEO

This 22-minute video contains highlights of the 212th General Assembly, held in Long Beach, CA, June 24-July 1, 2000.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 213TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

Office of the General Assembly

PCUSA, 2001

VIDEO

Featured highlights of the General Assembly held June 9-16, 2001 in Louisville, Kentucky.

HOMOSEXUALITY: EXTRACTS FROM SOCIAL POLICY

COMPILATION (COVERING 1970 - 1991)

BOOK

The Presbyterian General Assemblies have addressed the issue of homosexuality in three broad categories: 1) Legal rights of gay men and lesbians in society; 2) Relationship gay men and lesbians have with the church; 3) Possible ordination of homosexuals as deacons, elders, or ministers.

HOPE FOR A GLOBAL FUTURE: TOWARD JUST AND

SUSTAINABLE HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND STUDY GUIDE

Cte on Social Witness Policy, OGA, PCUS BOOK

Approved by the 208th General Assembly (1996), PCUSA, this policy statement addresses international issues in the economic structures, calling for abundant living in caring communities in a way that is less materialistic and more frugal.

HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE AND STUDY GUIDE

Office of the G.A., PCUSA

BOOK

Designed to encourage engagement with and focus on human rights, this booklet focuses on five types of rights--civil, political, economic, social and cultural, and religious.

HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE AND STUDY GUIDE: 1990-1991

Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA BOOK

Approved by the 203th General Assembly (1991). Significant developments that occurred during 1990 concerning the human rights conditions in specific countries.

HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE AND STUDY GUIDE: 1995-1996

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Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA BOOK

Approved by the 208th General Assembly (1996), this is a yearly update that follows a number of human rights concerns on a country-by-country examination. Included is a focus on the United States of America.

HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE AND STUDY GUIDE: 1996-1997

Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA BOOK

Approved by the 209th General Assembly (1997), this is a yearly update that follows a number of human rights concerns on a country-by-country examination. Included is a focus on the United States of America.

HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE AND STUDY GUIDE: 1999-2000

General Assembly Council, 2000 BOOK

This Update and Study Guide, approved by the 212th General Assembly (2000) is provided to help the church focus on human rights issues brought to the attention of the General Assembly, for the most part, by partner churches.

HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE: RESOURCES

PCUSA BOOK

Contains the following material: Human Rights Updates from 1990 through 1997; Church & Society, March/April 1998; Salt, Light, and You Resource Sheet

**INTRODUCTORY GUIDE TO A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH,
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)**

PCUSA BOOK

Background, overview, and content of the statement presented to presbyteries in 1990 for approval.

IS CHRIST DIVIDED?

Office of the General Assembly PCUSA BOOK

Report of the Task Force on Theological Pluralism Within the Prebyterian Community of Faith. Commended for study and information by the 200th General Assembly (1988), PCUSA.

JUNE 16, 1994 G.A. REPORT OF THE G.A.C. REVIEW

CTE CONCERNING THE RE-IMAGINING CONFERENCE

DMS, PCUSA VIDEO

This video covers the General Assembly Council Review Committee's report to the 1994 General Assembly on the Re-Imagining Conference that had taken place Nov. 1993 in Minneapolis, MN, and that had provoked a furor throughout the PCUSA. Main concerns--feminist theology, Sophia, milkand honey, gay/lesbian celebrations.

LIFE ABUNDANT: VALUES, CHOICES AND HEALTH CARE

THE RESPONSIBILITY AND ROLE OF THE PCUSA

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**LOVING GOD WITH OUR MINDS: THE MISSION OF THE
PCUSA IN HIGHER ED WITHIN THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY**

PCUSA PAMPHLET
A BRIEF SUMMARY of the full report presented by the Committee on Higher Education to and adopted by the 203rd General Assembly (1991). The report is before the church during 1992-94 for study.

MILITARY AND SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE OF WOMEN

Office of Women's Advocacy, NMD PAMPHLET
Resolution on the Military and Sexual Exploitation and Abuse of Women, approved by the 210th GA, PCUSA

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PCUSA PAMPHLET
Prepared by the Office of Theology and Worship, this pamphlet includes all the material available to the 210th General Assembly (1998) as it voted to strike the present English translation and insert the contemporary translation prepared by the English Language Liturgical Consultation.

OLDER ADULT MINISTRY: GROWING IN THE ABUNDANT LIFE

Task Force on Older Adult Min., G.A., PC PAMPHLET
Report of the Task Force on Older Adult Ministry, adopted by the 204th General Assembly (1992), Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), for study and implementation. The report proposes seven priority issues to be addressed by the church in the next decade, with strategies suggested for each arena of the church.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE CRISIS IN CENTRAL AMERICA:

AN APPEAL TO PRESB. & OTHER CHURCHES IN THE U.S.

Office of the General Assembly PCUSA BOOK
A policy statement adopted by the 200th (1988) General Assembly.

Office of the General Assembly PCUSA BOOK
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**PARA-CHURCH GROUPS: A REPORT ON CURRENT
RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS**

Discipleship and Worship Program, UPCU BOOK
Examines groups and ministries that are clearly Christian but not affiliated with generally recognized denominational structures.

**PLIGHT OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN FORCED
INTO INTERNATIONAL PROSTITUTION**

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Office of Women's Advocacy, NMD, PCU PAMPHLET

Approved by the 209th General Assembly (1997), PCUSA. Lured by false promises of a job and earnings, many girls, young women and, increasingly, boys from impoverished backgrounds are trapped into leaving their homes and end up in brothels in urban centers. This resolution lists the problems, suggests steps to ameliorate situation.

PORNOGRAPHY: FAR FROM THE SONG OF SONGS

Office of the General Assembly PCUSA BOOK
 1988 Social Policy Report

PREPARING FOR THE 2002 GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA PCUSA, 2002 VIDEO
 This video covers the General Assembly issues and budget to come before the 214th General Assembly to be held in Columbus, OH June, 15-22, 2002. It also includes the 29 minute orientation for commissioners.

PRESBYTERIAN SOCIAL WITNESS POLICY COMPILATION

Advisory Cte on Social Witness Policy, PC BOOK
 A compendium of social witness policies adopted by the General Assemblies of the PCUSA and its predecessor denominations. Similar actions are grouped together. It summarizes the teaching ministry of the church and defines its vision of social righteousness.

PRESBYTERIAN UNDERSTANDING AND USE OF HOLY

SCRIPTURE

Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA BOOK
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PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH MEETING 1/25/97

[G.A. MODERATOR BUCHANAN VISIT]

Presbytery of Elizabeth AUDIOCASS
 A talk by the General Assembly Moderator John Buchanan at a meeting of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, January 25, 1997, at the Korean Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth.

PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH MEETING 3/18/97

[AMENDMENT B DISCUSSION AND VOTE]

Presbytery of Elizabeth AUDIOCASS
 Two audiocassettes covering the discussion regarding Amendment B (Fidelity in Marriage, Chastity in Singleness) at the Presbytery of Elizabeth meeting held March 18, 1997 at New Providence Presbyterian Church.

PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH: MEETING OF MARCH 18,1997

"AMENDMENT B" DISCUSSION AND VOTE

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Presbytery of Elizabeth

VIDEO

A taping of the March meeting that included a discussion and the vote on Amendment B--"Fidelity in marriage; chastity in singleness" amendment passed to the Presbyteries for vote by the 1996 General Assembly.

PROBLEM PREGNANCIES AND ABORTION: THE 204TH

GENERAL ASSEMBLY (1992) RESPONSE TO THE REPORT...

Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA BOOK

The Majority Report of the Special Committee on ProblemPregnancies and Abortion, presented to the 204th GeneralAssembly.

REPORT FROM ALBUQUERQUE: HIGHLIGHTS OF THE

208TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Media Services, PCUSA

VIDEO

Part I: 15:15 minutes titled "Video Snapshot" records the major decisions set in the context of the Assembly's life together in Albuquerque from June 29 to July 6, 1996.Part II: 13:10 minutes titled "Leadership Changes" gives both outgoing and in-coming leaders a chance to speak directly to church members.

REPORT ON THE GIRL CHILD

Advocacy Cte. for Women's Concerns, NM PAMPHLET

Approved by the 209th General Assembly (1997), PCUSA. This report is a follow-up report to the one submitted to the 208th GA (1996). The girl child was one of the 12 critical areas of concern addressed there.

REPORTS TO THE 203RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY (1991)

PART I AND PART II

G.A. Special Cte on Human Sexuality, PC BOOK

Part I: Keeping Body and Soul Together: Sexuality, Spirituality,and Social Justice.Part II: Minority Report of the Special Committee on Human Sexuality.Both parts will be presented to the G.A. in June 1991.This is copy 2; copy 1 is for Reference only.

RESOLUTION ON CHRISTIAN RESPONSIBILITY AND A

NATIONAL MEDICAL PLAN [ADOPTED BY 1991 G.A.]

Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA BOOK

The resolution, with study guide attached, outlines 13 elements of an equitable medical plan, based upon the church's biblical and theological mandate. These elements become the criteria for evaluating legislative and administrative actions.

RESOLUTION ON THE MIDDLE EAST

PCUSA

BOOK

Developed by the Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy, this resolution was adopted by the 209th General Assembly (1997) to further the challenging experience of study, discussion, and connection in mission with partner churches and peoples in the Middle East.

RESOURCES FOR STUDY OF "CHRISTIAN OBEDIENCE

IN A NUCLEAR AGE"

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	Office of the General Assembly		PCUSA		BOOK
	Background papers and appendixes (not reviewed or approved by the General Assembly)				

RESTORING CREATION FOR ECOLOGY AND JUSTICE

PCUSA BOOK
 A report adopted by the 202nd General Assembly (1990), Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) This represents a major policy on environmental issues for the church.

PCUSA BOOK
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SELECTED THEOLOGICAL STATEMENTS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH G.A.s

PCUSA BOOK
 Covers General Assemblies from 1956-1998 & contains texts of continuing significance for the church.

SOCIAL POLICY COMPILATION 1946-1995

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Advisory Committee on Social Witness BOOK
 A compendium of social witness adopted by the General Assemblies of the PCUSA and its predecessor denominations. It presents each policy statement, summarizes the teaching ministry of the church, and defines its version of social righteousness.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PROBLEM PREGNANCIES AND

ABORTION, MINORITY REPORT TO 204TH G.A. (1992)

Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA BOOK
 Copies of the Minority Report contained in the 1992 Minutes of the General Assembly, Part I.

STANDARDS OF ETHICAL CONDUCT

Office of the General Assembly PAMPHLET
 This report to the 210th General Assembly (1998) by the Special Committee on a Professional Code of Ethics is titled "Life Together in the Community of Faith." It contains standards of conduct for members, employees, volunteers, and ordained officers of the PCUSA. The last section contains references and examples.

STATEMENT ON POST-VIABILITY AND LATE-TERM ABORTION

Advisory Committee On Social Witness Policy General Assembly Council, PCUSA, 2002 PAMPHLET
 A response prepared by the Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy (ACSWP) and the Advisory Committee on Litigation (ACL) which was approved by the 214th General Assembly (2002). The response is the committees' comment on Monitoring Report on the Implementation of General Assembly Policy on Abortion.

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STUDY AND ACTION GUIDE FOR THE 1987 AND 1988					
	CENTRAL AMERICA REPORTS				
	Office of the General Assembly		PCUSA		BOOK
	Nine 1-2 hour sessions.				
STUDY PAPER ON FAMILY VIOLENCE					
			Office of the General Assembly, PCUSA		PAMPHLET
	Copy 2				
THEOLOGICAL UNDERSTANDING OF THE RELATIONSHIP					
	BETWEEN CHRISTIANS AND JEWS				
	Office of the General Assembly		PCUSA		BOOK
	A paper commended to the church for study and reflection by the 199th General Assembly (1987).				
TRANSFORMACION DE LAS IGLESIAS Y LA SOCIEDAD					
	MEDIANTE ENCUENTROS CON NUEVOS VECINOS				
	Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy		Office of General Assembly, 1999		BOOK
	In Spanish: Approved by the 211th General Assembly (1999) as a Study and Reflection Guide for the whole Christian Church and the society to which it ministries. Drawn upon biblical sources and insights from the Reformed tradition it gives renewed definition to Presbyterian understandings concerning immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers. A challenge for the whole church to extend ministries of hospitality and public advocacy.				
TRANSFORMATION OF CHURCHES AND SOCIETY					
	THROUGH ENCOUNTERS WITH NEW NEIGHBORS				
	Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy		Office of General Assembly, 1999		BOOK
	Approved by the 211th General Assembly (1999) as a Study and Reflection Guide for the whole Christian Church and the society to which it ministries. Drawn upon biblical sources and insights from the Reformed tradition it gives renewed definition to Presbyterian understandings concerning immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers. A challenge for the whole church to extend ministries of hospitality and public advocacy.				
	Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy		Office of General Assembly, 1999		BOOK
	In Korean: Approved by the 211th General Assembly (1999) as a Study and Reflection Guide for the whole Christian Church and the society to which it ministries. Drawn upon biblical sources and insights from the Reformed tradition it gives renewed definition to Presbyterian understandings concerning immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers. A challenge for the whole church to extend ministries of hospitality and public advocacy.				
VOCATION AND WORK: CHALLENGES IN THE WORKPLACE					
	Committee on Social Witness Policy		PCUSA		BOOK
	A Resource Paper prepared by The Task Force on Issues of Vocation and Problems of Work in the United States. Reexamines the meaning of vocation and takes a hard look at the relationships between work and community as well as work and service to God. It provides a social analysis as well as biblical and theological reflection.				

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WHY AND HOW THE CHURCH MAKES A SOCIAL POLICY

WITNESS

Committee on Social Witness Policy	PCUSA	BOOK
A background paper for Churchwide study, discussion and feedback. This background paper is not a statement already adopted, it is a preparatory step toward a later report to General Assembly by this committee. It can be used at synod or presbytery forums, at session committee meetings and at local church study groups.		

WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Copy 2.	Office of the General Assembly, UPCUSA	BOOK
Report of the Special Committee to the 182nd General Assembly.	Office of the General Assembly, UPCUSA	BOOK