

# **THE PRESBYTERY OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA STATED CLERK'S REPORT**

**Ann Philbrick, Stated Clerk**

**July 26, 2025**

The Stated Clerk presents the following:

- CA 1. **THAT Ken Murchison, Ann Philbrick, and Robbin Buchanan be requested to prepare the minutes of this Presbytery meeting for approval at the October 28, 2025 Presbytery meeting.**
- CA 2. **THAT the minutes of the April 29, 2025 Stated Meeting of Presbytery be approved as submitted.**
- CA 3. **THAT the Presbytery accept the report of membership and worship statistics as submitted by the Sessions on the Annual Statistical Report. (Stated Clerk Attachment 1 – Membership Statistics and Stated Clerk Attachment 2 – Worship Statistics)**
- CA 4. **THAT the July 2025 report of the following Administrative Commission be received and entered into the permanent record of Presbytery: (Stated Clerk Attachment 3)**  
Administrative Commission for Churches Concluding Ministry

## **FOR YOUR INFORMATION:**

5. **THAT the 144th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina will be held on Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at the Rutherfordton Presbyterian Church in Rutherfordton, NC. *THAT the deadline for written reports for this meeting is Thursday, October 2, 2025. THAT the deadline for an overture is Monday, September 29, 2025.***
6. **THAT the following procedure for reviewing sessions records for 2024 in the year 2025, will be as follows:**
- A. **Each clerk will gather the 2024 Session minutes for her/his congregation.**
- B. **No later than September 1, 2025, use the standard checklist to review your records as follows:**
1. **Write the name of your church at the top, indicating “2024” as the year.**
  2. **For each item on the list, check “yes” or “no.”**
  3. **If “yes,” in the column labeled “comment,” indicate one instance where the item can be found in your minutes.**
    - i. **If your minutes are numbered with consecutive pages, just indicate a page number.**
    - a. **If your minutes are not numbered consecutively through the year, indicate the date of the meeting where an instance of the item is found.**
  4. **If “no,” provide any explanation you may want to share in the column labeled “comment.”**
  5. **In the same column labeled “comment,” add any comments you would like to make regarding any item.**

- C. On the reverse side of the checklist—or on another sheet of paper if you prefer—make a note of any issues you have encountered with any items on the checklist. Especially if some are not clear and the parenthetical references to the *Book of Order* do not clarify them, please let us know what may need more explanation.**
- D. If specific questions arise as you work on the checklist, feel free to call Ann Philbrick on her cell number (615-922-0845). She will be happy to help, or to find the help needed.**

**So that we can certify 100% compliance with the review of Session Records at the October 2025 meeting of Presbytery of Western North Carolina, please complete the checklist and return it to the Stated Clerk by September 1, 2025, either by**

- 1. Email to (aphilbrick@presbyterywnc.org) or**
- 2. Regular mail: 114 Silver Creek Road, Morganton, NC 28655**

- 7. THAT the following Session Records for 2024 were submitted and approved prior to the July 2025 packet deadline:**

**Banner Elk  
Brevard-Davidson River  
Brittain  
Grassy Creek**

**Marion, First  
Newland  
Reems Creek-Beech**

**Siloam  
Tryon  
Walnut**

- 8. THAT TERMS OF CALL for 2025 have been received at the Presbytery office and are included in the packet for this meeting. (COM Attachment 7)**

# STATED CLERK ATTACHMENT 1

## PRESBYTERY OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

| CHURCH NAME                          | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|--------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| ARBOR DALE                           | 122  | 91   | 73   | 72   | 72   | 86   | 86   | 89   | 98   | 96   | 97   |
| ASHEVILLE FIRST                      | 755  | 778  | 812  | 741  | 766  | 785  | 793  | 791  | 565  | 575  | 600  |
| BANNER ELK                           | 186  | 188  | 195  | 198  | 196  | 196  | 193  | 184  | 182  | 185  | 183  |
| BELMONT FIRST                        | 781  | 790  | 819  | 851  | 872  | 899  | 873  | 907  | 946  | 980  | 1009 |
| BESSEMER CITY                        | 33   | 32   | 32   | 32   | 32   | 32   | 31   | 31   | 13   | 8    | 8    |
| BLACK MOUNTAIN                       | 596  | 610  | 521  | 546  | 554  | 564  | 564  | 572  | 595  | 624  | 647  |
| BREVARD DAVIDSON RIVER               | 496  | 464  | 430  | 402  | 412  | 410  | 378  | 372  | 343  | 304  | 306  |
| BRIDGEWATER                          | 44   | 45   | 45   | 44   | 43   | 43   | 43   | 41   | 41   | 16   | 17   |
| BRITTAIN                             | 50   | 48   | 50   | 48   | 45   | 32   | 32   | 31   | 34   | 36   | 26   |
| BRITTAINS COVE                       | 42   | 42   | 36   | 36   | 34   | 33   | 29   | 29   | 29   | 29   | 28   |
| BRYSON CITY                          | 94   | 88   | 80   | 82   | 93   | 104  | 107  | 107  | 111  | 109  | 109  |
| BULADEAN                             | 12   | 12   | 15   | 17   | 18   | 19   | 14   | 15   | 15   | 15   | 15   |
| BURNSVILLE FIRST                     | 193  | 133  | 138  | 140  | 139  | 142  | 143  | 139  | 133  | 38   | 39   |
| CALVARY                              | 62   | 63   | 63   | 50   | 50   | 56   | 56   | 57   | 59   | 60   | 63   |
| CANTON                               | 51   | 44   | 45   | 49   | 56   | 54   | 52   | 51   | 51   | 51   | 51   |
| CHERRYVILLE FIRST                    | 283  | 278  | 268  | 239  | 239  | 219  | 213  | 196  | 181  | 206  | 182  |
| COLUMBUS                             | 149  | 150  | 86   | 86   | 90   | 93   | 93   | 92   | 92   | 92   | 92   |
| CROSSNORE                            | 77   | 76   | 77   | 79   | 79   | 81   | 77   | 84   | 85   | 90   | 95   |
| DALLAS FIRST                         | 71   | 69   | 69   | 63   | 58   | 58   | 55   | 57   | 54   | 53   | 53   |
| DIXON                                | 72   | 70   | 70   | 64   | 62   | 62   | 62   | 64   | 62   | 66   | 70   |
| DORLAND MEMORIAL                     | 24   | 24   | 24   | 24   | 31   | 37   | 31   | 29   | 29   | 25   | 25   |
| DULATOWN                             | 124  | 123  | 66   | 65   | 61   | 60   | 59   | 59   | 56   | 62   | 60   |
| ETOWAH                               | 49   | 51   | 50   | 50   | 48   | 46   | 33   | 29   | 27   | 28   | 28   |
| FLETCHER                             | 70   | 70   | 72   | 73   | 71   | 69   | 67   | 67   | 65   | 66   | 65   |
| FOREST CITY FIRST                    | 81   | 81   | 81   | 81   | 31   | 36   | 32   | 22   | 21   | 24   | 23   |
| FRANKLIN FIRST                       | 127  | 128  | 132  | 140  | 100  | 95   | 92   | 84   | 84   | 84   | 84   |
| GASTONIA FIRST                       | 1052 | 1035 | 922  | 932  | 924  | 925  | 855  | 846  | 844  | 848  | 841  |
| GOOD HOPE                            | 21   | 21   | 22   | 21   | 20   | 16   | 16   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 11   |
| GRACE COVENANT                       | 677  | 699  | 654  | 674  | 698  | 722  | 741  | 740  | 733  | 735  | 731  |
| GRASSY CREEK                         | 28   | 28   | 27   | 26   | 25   | 19   | 19   | 19   | 18   | 13   | 8    |
| GREEN MOUNTAIN                       | 10   | 10   | 15   | 15   | 19   | 19   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   |
| GREEN STREET                         | 49   | 48   | 47   | 41   | 43   | 48   | 42   | 40   | 38   | 38   | 36   |
| GREENWAY (Merger of Fairview/United) |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      | 91   | 63   |
| HAYESVILLE                           | 33   | 36   | 33   | 34   | 33   | 32   | 24   | 24   | 18   | 18   | 15   |
| HENDERSONVILLE                       | 34   | 39   | 44   | 47   | 44   | 45   | 44   | 45   | 43   | 41   | 43   |
| HICKORY FIRST                        | 874  | 796  | 783  | 781  | 801  | 835  | 842  | 591  | 625  | 646  | 685  |
| HIGHLANDS FIRST                      | 190  | 180  | 171  | 168  | 185  | 187  | 176  | 177  | 137  | 138  | 145  |
| IRONTON                              | 10   | 12   | 11   | 10   | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 8    |

| Increase/<br>(Decrease) in<br>1 YEAR | Increase/<br>(Decrease) in<br>5 YEARS | Increase/<br>(Decrease) in<br>10 YEARS |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 1                                    | 11                                    | (25)                                   |
| 25                                   | (185)                                 | (155)                                  |
| (2)                                  | (13)                                  | (3)                                    |
| 29                                   | 110                                   | 228                                    |
| 0                                    | (24)                                  | (25)                                   |
| 23                                   | 83                                    | 51                                     |
| 2                                    | (104)                                 | (190)                                  |
| 1                                    | (26)                                  | (27)                                   |
| (10)                                 | (6)                                   | (24)                                   |
| (1)                                  | (5)                                   | (14)                                   |
| 0                                    | 5                                     | 15                                     |
| 0                                    | (4)                                   | 3                                      |
| 1                                    | (103)                                 | (154)                                  |
| 3                                    | 7                                     | 1                                      |
| 0                                    | (3)                                   | 0                                      |
| (24)                                 | (37)                                  | (101)                                  |
| 0                                    | (1)                                   | (57)                                   |
| 5                                    | 14                                    | 18                                     |
| 0                                    | (5)                                   | (18)                                   |
| 4                                    | 8                                     | (2)                                    |
| 0                                    | (12)                                  | 1                                      |
| (2)                                  | 0                                     | (64)                                   |
| 0                                    | (18)                                  | (21)                                   |
| (1)                                  | (4)                                   | (5)                                    |
| (1)                                  | (13)                                  | (58)                                   |
| 0                                    | (11)                                  | (43)                                   |
| (7)                                  | (84)                                  | (211)                                  |
| 0                                    | (5)                                   | (10)                                   |
| (4)                                  | 9                                     | 54                                     |
| (5)                                  | (11)                                  | (20)                                   |
| 0                                    | (1)                                   | 8                                      |
| (2)                                  | (12)                                  | (13)                                   |
| (28)                                 | 63                                    | 63                                     |
| (3)                                  | (17)                                  | (18)                                   |
| 2                                    | (2)                                   | 9                                      |
| 39                                   | (150)                                 | (189)                                  |
| 7                                    | (42)                                  | (45)                                   |
| (1)                                  | (1)                                   | (2)                                    |

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|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| JACK'S CREEK        | 21   | 21   | 24   | 20   | 26   | 18   | 20   | 20   | 20   | 15   | 8    | (7)                                  | (10)                                  | (13)                                   |
| KENILWORTH          | 55   | 67   | 73   | 64   | 70   | 72   | 66   | 58   | 56   | 55   | 62   | 7                                    | (10)                                  | 7                                      |
| KOREAN OF ASHEVILLE | 14   | 14   | 14   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 20   | 20   | 20   | 0                                    | 2                                     | 6                                      |
| LENOIR FIRST        | 369  | 309  | 24   | 31   | 31   | 32   | 29   | 33   | 33   | 28   | 27   | (1)                                  | (5)                                   | (342)                                  |
| LONG CREEK          | 72   | 73   | 74   | 71   | 71   | 71   | 66   | 61   | 63   | 63   | 63   | 0                                    | (8)                                   | (9)                                    |
| LOVE'S CHAPEL       | 14   | 14   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 13   | 11   | 11   | 11   | 0                                    | (2)                                   | (3)                                    |
| LOWELL              | 93   | 101  | 105  | 106  | 104  | 108  | 104  | 104  | 105  | 104  | 59   | (45)                                 | (49)                                  | (34)                                   |
| MARION FIRST        | 152  | 157  | 158  | 157  | 153  | 157  | 154  | 150  | 154  | 152  | 150  | (2)                                  | (7)                                   | (2)                                    |
| MARSHALL            | 74   | 70   | 65   | 40   | 36   | 34   | 35   | 33   | 34   | 33   | 33   | 0                                    | (1)                                   | (41)                                   |
| MICAVILLE           | 33   | 30   | 28   | 25   | 27   | 27   | 25   | 28   | 29   | 29   | 30   | 1                                    | 3                                     | (3)                                    |
| MILLS RIVER         | 120  | 112  | 117  | 127  | 149  | 148  | 112  | 91   | 95   | 96   | 100  | 4                                    | (48)                                  | (20)                                   |
| MONTREAT            | 92   | 92   | 103  | 109  | 107  | 117  | 130  | 136  | 141  | 151  | 145  | (6)                                  | 28                                    | 53                                     |
| MORGANTON FIRST     | 650  | 478  | 492  | 499  | 488  | 427  | 413  | 407  | 403  | 403  | 306  | (97)                                 | (121)                                 | (344)                                  |
| MORRISON            | 77   | 82   | 73   | 71   | 66   | 59   | 58   | 59   | 58   | 55   | 59   | 4                                    | 0                                     | (18)                                   |
| MT. HOLLY FIRST     | 144  | 142  | 139  | 128  | 119  | 119  | 111  | 108  | 110  | 110  | 101  | (9)                                  | (18)                                  | (43)                                   |
| NEW HOPE (GASTONIA) | 164  | 160  | 157  | 162  | 166  | 173  | 157  | 156  | 161  | 156  | 112  | (44)                                 | (61)                                  | (52)                                   |
| NEW HOPE (SKYLAND)  | 119  | 113  | 95   | 89   | 85   | 95   | 101  | 101  | 104  | 108  | 112  | 4                                    | 17                                    | (7)                                    |
| NEWDALE             | 46   | 49   | 50   | 41   | 40   | 21   | 20   | 16   | 18   | 19   | 21   | 2                                    | 0                                     | (25)                                   |
| NEWLAND             | 55   | 59   | 63   | 63   | 68   | 77   | 79   | 82   | 94   | 108  | 116  | 8                                    | 39                                    | 61                                     |
| NEWTON FIRST        | 398  | 412  | 357  | 352  | 329  | 326  | 325  | 308  | 295  | 293  | 289  | (4)                                  | (37)                                  | (109)                                  |
| NORTHMINSTER        | 250  | 247  | 167  | 152  | 149  | 154  | 153  | 153  | 147  | 132  | 132  | 0                                    | (22)                                  | (118)                                  |
| OAKWOOD             | 55   | 54   | 59   | 60   | 63   | 63   | 68   | 67   | 67   | 71   | 75   | 4                                    | 12                                    | 20                                     |
| OLD FORT            | 9    | 9    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 7    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 5    | 5    | 0                                    | (2)                                   | (4)                                    |
| OLNEY               | 69   | 76   | 67   | 66   | 63   | 59   | 54   | 49   | 47   | 46   | 44   | (2)                                  | (15)                                  | (25)                                   |
| PINE STREET         | 30   | 30   | 30   | 30   | 32   | 32   | 32   | 37   | 37   | 36   | 35   | (1)                                  | 3                                     | 5                                      |
| PINEOLA             | 42   | 42   | 45   | 44   | 44   | 43   | 44   | 35   | 34   | 35   | 35   | 0                                    | (8)                                   | (7)                                    |
| QUAKER MEADOWS      | 110  | 86   | 85   | 85   | 84   | 84   | 78   | 77   | 50   | 57   | 43   | (14)                                 | (41)                                  | (67)                                   |
| REEMS CREEK         | 107  | 100  | 102  | 102  | 108  | 107  | 104  | 79   | 82   | 83   | 85   | 2                                    | (22)                                  | (22)                                   |
| RIDGEVIEW           | 17   | 15   | 16   | 10   | 10   | 10   | 9    | 9    | 9    | 8    | 10   | 2                                    | 0                                     | (7)                                    |
| ROBINSON MEMORIAL   | 45   | 45   | 46   | 48   | 48   | 47   | 49   | 49   | 46   | 44   | 42   | (2)                                  | (5)                                   | (3)                                    |
| RUTHERFORDTON       | 342  | 340  | 339  | 340  | 338  | 347  | 344  | 344  | 345  | 347  | 347  | 0                                    | 0                                     | 5                                      |
| RYBURN MEMORIAL     | 33   | 37   | 38   | 37   | 35   | 36   | 20   | 20   | 20   | 21   | 14   | (7)                                  | (22)                                  | (19)                                   |
| SALUDA              | 45   | 42   | 30   | 30   | 31   | 21   | 21   | 18   | 20   | 20   | 12   | (8)                                  | (9)                                   | (33)                                   |
| SHELBY              | 511  | 493  | 490  | 469  | 472  | 465  | 463  | 427  | 418  | 404  | 415  | 11                                   | (50)                                  | (96)                                   |
| SHERRILL'S FORD     | 60   | 80   | 77   | 80   | 93   | 106  | 118  | 114  | 126  | 126  | 128  | 2                                    | 22                                    | 68                                     |
| SHILOH              | 28   | 28   | 28   | 27   | 27   | 20   | 19   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 18   | 0                                    | (2)                                   | (10)                                   |
| SILOAM              | 6    | 6    | 6    | 6    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 5    | 1                                    | 0                                     | (1)                                    |
| SOUTHMINSTER        | 325  | 329  | 324  | 332  | 354  | 362  | 359  | 366  | 366  | 385  | 396  | 11                                   | 34                                    | 71                                     |

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|----------------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| SPRUCE PINE FIRST                            | 108    | 111    | 115    | 103    | 107    | 87     | 84     | 81     | 88     | 92     | 83     | (9)                                  | (4)                                   | (25)                                   |
| SWEETWATER                                   | 50     | 50     | 50     | 48     | 51     | 51     | 51     | 43     | 43     | 45     | 45     | 0                                    | (6)                                   | (5)                                    |
| SYLVA FIRST                                  | 161    | 160    | 162    | 171    | 108    | 109    | 108    | 106    | 110    | 109    | 124    | 15                                   | 15                                    | (37)                                   |
| THIRD STREET                                 | 71     | 72     | 45     | 45     | 45     | 41     | 39     | 39     | 28     | 27     | 25     | (2)                                  | (16)                                  | (46)                                   |
| TRINITY                                      | 335    | 331    | 322    | 308    | 305    | 285    | 282    | 297    | 293    | 298    | 296    | (2)                                  | 11                                    | (39)                                   |
| TRYON                                        | 332    | 328    | 322    | 322    | 249    | 251    | 258    | 258    | 260    | 260    | 256    | (4)                                  | 5                                     | (76)                                   |
| UNION                                        | 174    | 179    | 178    | 178    | 172    | 172    | 162    | 160    | 162    | 164    | 97     | (67)                                 | (75)                                  | (77)                                   |
| UNION MILLS                                  | 20     | 27     | 27     | 25     | 24     | 29     | 29     | 30     | 30     | 30     | 29     | (1)                                  | 0                                     | 9                                      |
| UNITY                                        | 679    | 684    | 516    | 509    | 531    | 577    | 582    | 573    | 596    | 611    | 639    | 28                                   | 62                                    | (40)                                   |
| VIANS VALLEY                                 | 30     | 29     | 29     | 27     | 27     | 27     | 26     | 26     | 14     | 14     | 14     | 0                                    | (13)                                  | (16)                                   |
| WALDENSIAN                                   | 391    | 391    | 386    | 378    | 375    | 370    | 319    | 315    | 315    | 319    | 320    | 1                                    | (50)                                  | (71)                                   |
| WALNUT                                       | 30     | 28     | 28     | 27     | 25     | 25     | 24     | 24     | 20     | 17     | 10     | (7)                                  | (15)                                  | (20)                                   |
| WARREN WILSON                                | 170    | 170    | 169    | 151    | 144    | 140    | 134    | 135    | 136    | 129    | 129    | 0                                    | (11)                                  | (41)                                   |
| WAYNESVILLE FIRST                            | 135    | 133    | 126    | 129    | 146    | 151    | 146    | 143    | 140    | 142    | 149    | 7                                    | (2)                                   | 14                                     |
| HENDERSONVILLE (Members                      | 433    | 433    | 433    | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0                                    | 0                                     | (433)                                  |
| PAINT GAP (Dissolved)                        |        | 8      | 8      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0                                    | 0                                     | 0                                      |
| SWANNANOA FIRST (Dissolv                     | 18     | 18     | 18     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0                                    | 0                                     | (18)                                   |
| ELLENBORO (Members Awaiting Transfer)        |        |        |        |        | 7      | 7      | 7      | 7      | 7      | 7      | 7      | 0                                    | 0                                     | 7                                      |
| WEST AVENUE (Members Awaiting Transfer)      |        |        |        |        | 76     | 20     | 20     | 20     | 20     | 20     | 20     | 0                                    | 0                                     | 20                                     |
| LINCOLNTON FIRST (Members Awaiting Transfer) |        |        |        |        |        |        | 81     | 81     | 81     | 72     | 72     | 0                                    | 72                                    | 72                                     |
| FAIRVIEW (Merged to beco                     | 99     | 97     | 96     | 87     | 70     | 69     | 66     | 65     | 53     | 0      | 0      | 0                                    | (69)                                  | (99)                                   |
| UNITED (Merged to become Greenwa             | 92     | 91     | 83     | 66     | 63     | 61     | 51     | 49     | 47     | 0      | 0      | 0                                    | (61)                                  | (92)                                   |
| CLINCHFIELD (Dissolved)                      | 22     | 18     | 18     | 18     | 19     | 14     | 14     | 12     | 6      | 0      | 0      | 0                                    | (14)                                  | (22)                                   |
| OAK FOREST (Dissolved)                       | 65     | 68     | 67     | 67     | 62     | 60     | 41     | 39     | 38     | 0      | 0      | 0                                    | (60)                                  | (65)                                   |
| TOTALS                                       | 16,338 | 15,888 | 14,793 | 13,992 | 13,903 | 13,906 | 13,559 | 13,025 | 12,754 | 12,735 | 12,559 | (176)                                | (1,217)                               | (3,588)                                |

# STATED CLERK ATTACHMENT 2

## PRESBYTERY OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

| CHURCH NAME            | 2014<br>Worship<br>Attendance | 2015<br>Worship<br>Attendance | 2016<br>Worship<br>Attendance | 2017<br>Worship<br>Attendance | 2018<br>Worship<br>Attendance | 2019<br>Worship<br>Attendance | 2020<br>Worship<br>Attendance | 2021<br>Worship<br>Attendance | 2022<br>Worship<br>Attendance | 2023<br>Worship<br>Attendance | 2024<br>Worship<br>Attendance | Increase/<br>(Decrease) in<br>1 YEAR | Increase/<br>(Decrease) in<br>5 YEARS | Increase/<br>(Decrease) in<br>10 YEARS |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| ARBOR DALE             | 100                           | 87                            | 78                            | 89                            | 94                            | 90                            | 60                            | 95                            | 81                            | 80                            | 87                            | 7                                    | (3)                                   | (13)                                   |
| ASHEVILLE FIRST        | 350                           | 325                           | 286                           | 285                           | 283                           | 282                           | 340                           | 268                           | 300                           | 321                           | 321                           | 0                                    | 39                                    | (29)                                   |
| BANNER ELK             | 190                           | 195                           | 197                           | 198                           | 164                           | 162                           | 158                           | 134                           | 146                           | 212                           | 177                           | (35)                                 | 15                                    | (13)                                   |
| BELMONT FIRST          | 250                           | 213                           | 188                           | 260                           | 170                           | 250                           | 100                           | 150                           | 200                           | 250                           | 250                           | 0                                    | 0                                     | 0                                      |
| BESSEMER CITY          | 17                            | 17                            | 18                            | 15                            | 15                            | 15                            | 6                             | 6                             | 7                             | 7                             | 4                             | (3)                                  | (11)                                  | (13)                                   |
| BLACK MOUNTAIN         | 335                           | 329                           | 320                           | 320                           | 325                           | 288                           | 288                           | 325                           | 350                           | 372                           | 409                           | 37                                   | 121                                   | 74                                     |
| BREVARD DAVIDSON RIVER | 300                           | 300                           | 300                           | 202                           | 204                           | 201                           | 192                           | 105                           | 121                           | 143                           | 143                           | 0                                    | (58)                                  | (157)                                  |
| BRIDGEWATER            | 24                            | 24                            | 24                            | 24                            | 30                            | 32                            | 32                            | 20                            | 20                            | 25                            | 25                            | 0                                    | (7)                                   | 1                                      |
| BRITTAIN               | 33                            | 29                            | 29                            | 30                            | 27                            | 27                            | 18                            | 17                            | 19                            | 21                            | 21                            | 0                                    | (6)                                   | (12)                                   |
| BRITTAIN COVE          | 22                            | 23                            | 23                            | 23                            | 20                            | 18                            | 15                            | 12                            | 12                            | 12                            | 12                            | 0                                    | (6)                                   | (10)                                   |
| BRYSON CITY            | 70                            | 72                            | 75                            | 72                            | 44                            | 74                            | 100                           | 56                            | 60                            | 55                            | 52                            | (3)                                  | (22)                                  | (18)                                   |
| BULADEAN               | 18                            | 18                            | 18                            | 18                            | 15                            | 15                            | 7                             | 7                             | 7                             | 8                             | 8                             | 0                                    | (7)                                   | (10)                                   |
| BURNSVILLE FIRST       | 80                            | 70                            | 73                            | 67                            | 61                            | 57                            | 50                            | 50                            | 49                            | 30                            | 26                            | (4)                                  | (31)                                  | (54)                                   |
| CALVARY                | 32                            | 29                            | 26                            | 28                            | 25                            | 27                            | 20                            | 15                            | 25                            | 29                            | 31                            | 2                                    | 4                                     | (1)                                    |
| CANTON                 | 20                            | 18                            | 17                            | 17                            | 19                            | 19                            | 19                            | 15                            | 15                            | 18                            | 20                            | 2                                    | 1                                     | 0                                      |
| CHERRYVILLE FIRST      | 162                           | 107                           | 150                           | 141                           | 140                           | 138                           | 52                            | 79                            | 90                            | 103                           | 100                           | (3)                                  | (38)                                  | (62)                                   |
| COLUMBUS               | 57                            | 57                            | 52                            | 53                            | 57                            | 57                            | 18                            | 30                            | 31                            | 31                            | 21                            | (10)                                 | (36)                                  | (36)                                   |
| CROSSNORE              | 68                            | 60                            | 60                            | 60                            | 62                            | 68                            | 45                            | 54                            | 80                            | 65                            | 65                            | 0                                    | (3)                                   | (3)                                    |
| DALLAS FIRST           | 47                            | 45                            | 40                            | 35                            | 30                            | 25                            | 23                            | 25                            | 25                            | 25                            | 25                            | 0                                    | 0                                     | (22)                                   |
| DIXON                  | 55                            | 55                            | 50                            | 50                            | 46                            | 46                            | 46                            | 40                            | 40                            | 40                            | 45                            | 5                                    | (1)                                   | (10)                                   |
| DORLAND MEMORIAL       | 18                            | 15                            | 20                            | 20                            | 20                            | 25                            | 20                            | 18                            | 15                            | 15                            | 15                            | 0                                    | (10)                                  | (3)                                    |
| DULATOWN               | 61                            | 35                            | 35                            | 30                            | 57                            | 63                            | 35                            | 30                            | 25                            | 38                            | 45                            | 7                                    | (18)                                  | (16)                                   |
| ETOWAH                 | 49                            | 48                            | 50                            | 41                            | 41                            | 30                            | 10                            | 20                            | 18                            | 18                            | 18                            | 0                                    | (12)                                  | (31)                                   |
| FAIRVIEW               | 45                            | 45                            | 40                            | 40                            | 40                            | 40                            | 25                            | 12                            | 12                            | 0                             | 0                             | 0                                    | (40)                                  | (45)                                   |
| FLETCHER               | 28                            | 31                            | 28                            | 29                            | 27                            | 29                            | 25                            | 24                            | 25                            | 24                            | 26                            | 2                                    | (3)                                   | (2)                                    |
| FOREST CITY FIRST      | 28                            | 30                            | 24                            | 20                            | 20                            | 15                            | 7                             | 10                            | 10                            | 12                            | 15                            | 3                                    | 0                                     | (13)                                   |
| FRANKLIN FIRST         | 65                            | 76                            | 81                            | 76                            | 81                            | 77                            | 50                            | 50                            | 50                            | 50                            | 60                            | 10                                   | (17)                                  | (5)                                    |
| GASTONIA FIRST         | 373                           | 270                           | 254                           | 230                           | 228                           | 229                           | 210                           | 123                           | 142                           | 162                           | 170                           | 8                                    | (59)                                  | (203)                                  |
| GOOD HOPE              | 15                            | 15                            | 12                            | 11                            | 10                            | 10                            | 8                             | 8                             | 8                             | 8                             | 8                             | 0                                    | (2)                                   | (7)                                    |
| GRACE COVENANT         | 292                           | 298                           | 300                           | 300                           | 278                           | 284                           | 550                           | 450                           | 300                           | 300                           | 300                           | 0                                    | 16                                    | 8                                      |
| GRASSY CREEK           | 22                            | 22                            | 22                            | 21                            | 15                            | 14                            | 12                            | 15                            | 14                            | 12                            | 13                            | 1                                    | (1)                                   | (9)                                    |
| GREEN MOUNTAIN         | 11                            | 13                            | 15                            | 25                            | 18                            | 19                            | 16                            | 20                            | 20                            | 20                            | 25                            | 5                                    | 6                                     | 14                                     |
| GREEN STREET           | 38                            | 33                            | 30                            | 32                            | 30                            | 35                            | 20                            | 20                            | 22                            | 25                            | 24                            | (1)                                  | (11)                                  | (14)                                   |
| GREENWAY               |                               |                               |                               |                               |                               |                               |                               |                               |                               | 30                            | 28                            | (2)                                  | 28                                    | 28                                     |
| HAYESVILLE             | 28                            | 28                            | 28                            | 30                            | 27                            | 25                            | 15                            | 12                            | 14                            | 14                            | 18                            | 4                                    | (7)                                   | (10)                                   |
| HENDERSONVILLE         | 36                            | 36                            | 41                            | 38                            | 25                            | 25                            | 25                            | 22                            | 18                            | 15                            | 18                            | 3                                    | (7)                                   | (18)                                   |
| HICKORY FIRST          | 280                           | 269                           | 238                           | 237                           | 239                           | 234                           | 241                           | 275                           | 325                           | 430                           | 490                           | 60                                   | 256                                   | 210                                    |
| HIGHLANDS FIRST        | 164                           | 151                           | 145                           | 145                           | 140                           | 141                           | 74                            | 114                           | 140                           | 166                           | 181                           | 15                                   | 40                                    | 17                                     |
| IRONTON                | 14                            | 14                            | 13                            | 13                            | 12                            | 11                            | 11                            | 6                             | 6                             | 6                             | 5                             | (1)                                  | (6)                                   | (9)                                    |
| JACK'S CREEK           | 22                            | 18                            | 18                            | 18                            | 18                            | 15                            | 11                            | 11                            | 6                             | 5                             | 9                             | 4                                    | (6)                                   | (13)                                   |
| KENILWORTH             | 45                            | 52                            | 50                            | 45                            | 43                            | 45                            | 40                            | 40                            | 40                            | 46                            | 49                            | 3                                    | 4                                     | 4                                      |
| KOREAN PRES CHURCH     | 12                            | 12                            | 12                            | 12                            | 10                            | 10                            | 10                            | 10                            | 14                            | 14                            | 0                             | (14)                                 | (10)                                  | (12)                                   |
| LENOIR FIRST           | 275                           | 275                           | 24                            | 25                            | 25                            | 25                            | 50                            | 50                            | 35                            | 50                            | 50                            | 0                                    | 25                                    | (225)                                  |
| LONG CREEK             | 45                            | 45                            | 45                            | 45                            | 40                            | 42                            | 20                            | 25                            | 27                            | 31                            | 31                            | 0                                    | (11)                                  | (14)                                   |
| LOVE'S CHAPEL          | 12                            | 12                            | 15                            | 11                            | 10                            | 10                            | 10                            | 10                            | 11                            | 11                            | 11                            | 0                                    | 1                                     | (1)                                    |
| LOWELL                 | 56                            | 60                            | 61                            | 56                            | 51                            | 50                            | 34                            | 34                            | 38                            | 35                            | 25                            | (10)                                 | (25)                                  | (31)                                   |
| MARION FIRST           | 122                           | 100                           | 98                            | 97                            | 52                            | 85                            | 83                            | 65                            | 55                            | 57                            | 59                            | 2                                    | (26)                                  | (63)                                   |

# STATED CLERK ATTACHMENT 2

## PRESBYTERY OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

| CHURCH NAME         | 2014                  | 2015                  | 2016                  | 2017                  | 2018                  | 2019                  | 2020                  | 2021                  | 2022                  | 2023                  | 2024                  | Increase/<br>(Decrease) in | Increase/<br>(Decrease) in | Increase/<br>(Decrease) in |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
|                     | Worship<br>Attendance | Worship<br>Attendance | Worship<br>Attendance | Worship<br>Attendance | Worship<br>Attendance | Worship<br>Attendance | Worship<br>Attendance | Worship<br>Attendance | Worship<br>Attendance | Worship<br>Attendance | Worship<br>Attendance | 1 YEAR                     | 5 YEARS                    | 10 YEARS                   |
| MARSHALL            | 23                    | 20                    | 20                    | 18                    | 18                    | 18                    | 12                    | 13                    | 12                    | 14                    | 16                    | 2                          | (2)                        | (7)                        |
| MICAVILLE           | 24                    | 23                    | 18                    | 22                    | 23                    | 18                    | 15                    | 18                    | 21                    | 21                    | 17                    | (4)                        | (1)                        | (7)                        |
| MILLS RIVER         | 59                    | 52                    | 53                    | 60                    | 70                    | 70                    | 50                    | 34                    | 63                    | 51                    | 58                    | 7                          | (12)                       | (1)                        |
| MONTREAT            | 89                    | 90                    | 100                   | 100                   | 100                   | 111                   | 140                   | 160                   | 160                   | 91                    | 90                    | (1)                        | (21)                       | 1                          |
| MORGANTON FIRST     | 250                   | 186                   | 184                   | 177                   | 169                   | 163                   | 150                   | 150                   | 150                   | 150                   | 125                   | (25)                       | (38)                       | (125)                      |
| MORRISON            | 62                    | 62                    | 45                    | 38                    | 33                    | 35                    | 30                    | 30                    | 25                    | 35                    | 35                    | 0                          | 0                          | (27)                       |
| MT. HOLLY FIRST     | 68                    | 63                    | 56                    | 53                    | 57                    | 56                    | 60                    | 46                    | 47                    | 49                    | 47                    | (2)                        | (9)                        | (21)                       |
| NEW HOPE (GASTONIA) | 100                   | 80                    | 80                    | 80                    | 77                    | 80                    | 80                    | 75                    | 55                    | 56                    | 55                    | (1)                        | (25)                       | (45)                       |
| NEW HOPE (SKYLAND)  | 52                    | 53                    | 59                    | 57                    | 62                    | 72                    | 81                    | 69                    | 58                    | 67                    | 95                    | 28                         | 23                         | 43                         |
| NEWDALE             | 40                    | 45                    | 40                    | 29                    | 15                    | 20                    | 10                    | 12                    | 15                    | 15                    | 12                    | (3)                        | (8)                        | (28)                       |
| NEWLAND             | 52                    | 55                    | 64                    | 63                    | 74                    | 87                    | 75                    | 81                    | 83                    | 91                    | 102                   | 11                         | 15                         | 50                         |
| NEWTON FIRST        | 179                   | 167                   | 151                   | 136                   | 148                   | 143                   | 65                    | 87                    | 70                    | 85                    | 91                    | 6                          | (52)                       | (88)                       |
| NORTHMINSTER        | 90                    | 88                    | 71                    | 70                    | 69                    | 69                    | 78                    | 74                    | 60                    | 60                    | 60                    | 0                          | (9)                        | (30)                       |
| OAKWOOD             | 32                    | 32                    | 32                    | 34                    | 35                    | 37                    | 30                    | 30                    | 45                    | 45                    | 60                    | 15                         | 23                         | 28                         |
| OLD FORT            | 5                     | 5                     | 5                     | 8                     | 9                     | 10                    | 10                    | 6                     | 6                     | 5                     | 5                     | 0                          | (5)                        | 0                          |
| OLNEY               | 32                    | 29                    | 22                    | 20                    | 17                    | 15                    | 12                    | 10                    | 10                    | 9                     | 7                     | (2)                        | (8)                        | (25)                       |
| PINE STREET         | 20                    | 22                    | 25                    | 25                    | 20                    | 25                    | 25                    | 25                    | 25                    | 18                    | 18                    | 0                          | (7)                        | (2)                        |
| PINEOLA             | 30                    | 30                    | 30                    | 30                    | 30                    | 30                    | 30                    | 30                    | 30                    | 30                    | 30                    | 0                          | 0                          | 0                          |
| QUAKER MEADOWS      | 45                    | 46                    | 43                    | 38                    | 31                    | 30                    | 25                    | 28                    | 45                    | 45                    | 38                    | (7)                        | 8                          | (7)                        |
| REEMS CREEK         | 78                    | 72                    | 68                    | 60                    | 56                    | 48                    | 45                    | 45                    | 50                    | 50                    | 57                    | 7                          | 9                          | (21)                       |
| RIDGEVIEW           | 25                    | 30                    | 35                    | 40                    | 33                    | 30                    | 30                    | 25                    | 18                    | 18                    | 18                    | 0                          | (12)                       | (7)                        |
| ROBINSON MEMORIAL   | 30                    | 30                    | 35                    | 35                    | 35                    | 35                    | 53                    | 42                    | 30                    | 30                    | 25                    | (5)                        | (10)                       | (5)                        |
| RUTHERFORDTON       | 117                   | 115                   | 115                   | 115                   | 110                   | 112                   | 110                   | 100                   | 100                   | 100                   | 100                   | 0                          | (12)                       | (17)                       |
| RYBURN MEMORIAL     | 17                    | 17                    | 17                    | 17                    | 20                    | 20                    | 15                    | 16                    | 12                    | 12                    | 12                    | 0                          | (8)                        | (5)                        |
| SHELBY              | 182                   | 172                   | 163                   | 155                   | 147                   | 133                   | 162                   | 159                   | 119                   | 137                   | 140                   | 3                          | 7                          | (42)                       |
| SHERRILL'S FORD     | 70                    | 55                    | 57                    | 56                    | 60                    | 75                    | 150                   | 150                   | 150                   | 150                   | 150                   | 0                          | 75                         | 80                         |
| SHILOH              | 14                    | 12                    | 12                    | 12                    | 7                     | 7                     | 7                     | 20                    | 9                     | 9                     | 9                     | 0                          | 2                          | (5)                        |
| SILOAM              | 4                     | 6                     | 5                     | 5                     | 7                     | 5                     | 5                     | 7                     | 6                     | 5                     | 7                     | 2                          | 2                          | 3                          |
| SOUTHMINSTER        | 156                   | 164                   | 154                   | 162                   | 164                   | 158                   | 175                   | 234                   | 234                   | 254                   | 225                   | (29)                       | 67                         | 69                         |
| SPRUCE PINE FIRST   | 97                    | 94                    | 90                    | 80                    | 73                    | 65                    | 40                    | 50                    | 55                    | 40                    | 40                    | 0                          | (25)                       | (57)                       |
| SWEETWATER          | 40                    | 42                    | 42                    | 42                    | 40                    | 40                    | 35                    | 35                    | 35                    | 30                    | 30                    | 0                          | (10)                       | (10)                       |
| SYLVA FIRST         | 95                    | 100                   | 110                   | 98                    | 106                   | 98                    | 53                    | 80                    | 75                    | 91                    | 102                   | 11                         | 4                          | 7                          |
| THIRD STREET        | 35                    | 35                    | 30                    | 28                    | 26                    | 25                    | 20                    | 22                    | 20                    | 17                    | 17                    | 0                          | (8)                        | (18)                       |
| TRINITY             | 199                   | 193                   | 191                   | 175                   | 170                   | 173                   | 43                    | 77                    | 129                   | 133                   | 140                   | 7                          | (33)                       | (59)                       |
| TRYON               | 175                   | 180                   | 122                   | 129                   | 104                   | 106                   | 107                   | 100                   | 120                   | 130                   | 140                   | 10                         | 34                         | (35)                       |
| UNION               | 95                    | 94                    | 98                    | 96                    | 87                    | 77                    | 72                    | 57                    | 51                    | 52                    | 56                    | 4                          | (21)                       | (39)                       |
| UNION MILLS         | 25                    | 25                    | 20                    | 20                    | 20                    | 20                    | 18                    | 17                    | 17                    | 16                    | 15                    | (1)                        | (5)                        | (10)                       |
| UNITED              | 44                    | 42                    | 33                    | 32                    | 28                    | 28                    | 27                    | 21                    | 19                    | 0                     | 0                     | 0                          | (28)                       | (44)                       |
| UNITY               | 365                   | 330                   | 302                   | 276                   | 304                   | 353                   | 344                   | 393                   | 369                   | 418                   | 448                   | 30                         | 95                         | 83                         |
| VIAN VALLEY         | 18                    | 16                    | 16                    | 16                    | 14                    | 14                    | 15                    | 15                    | 12                    | 18                    | 14                    | (4)                        | 0                          | (4)                        |
| WALDENSIAN          | 169                   | 158                   | 149                   | 145                   | 135                   | 132                   | 131                   | 86                    | 100                   | 95                    | 120                   | 25                         | (12)                       | (49)                       |
| WALNUT              | 26                    | 32                    | 28                    | 24                    | 23                    | 23                    | 17                    | 17                    | 9                     | 9                     | 10                    | 1                          | (13)                       | (16)                       |
| WARREN WILSON       | 92                    | 90                    | 86                    | 83                    | 76                    | 76                    | 82                    | 44                    | 57                    | 50                    | 51                    | 1                          | (25)                       | (41)                       |
| WAYNESVILLE FIRST   | 107                   | 104                   | 95                    | 93                    | 92                    | 97                    | 87                    | 57                    | 66                    | 73                    | 74                    | 1                          | (23)                       | (33)                       |

TOTALS

8,370

7,840

7,138

6,918

6,554

6,682

6,132

5,872

5,957

6,333

6,496

163

(213)

(1,887)

Gray indicates no reporting from church. Assumes previous yr total carries forward.

# Stated Clerk Attachment 3

## ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION REPORTS

July 26, 2025

**Churches concluding their Ministry:** The AC currently has oversight of two properties: one from the former Saluda Presbyterian Church and one from the former First Presbyterian Church of Bessemer City. The AC is continuing to pursue steps to transfer the Saluda Fellowship Hall to the Saluda Pop-Up Pantry and the Church Sanctuary to the Saluda Historical Committee. The AC has secured the First PC, Bessemer City building, has done an inventory of contents and is in conversation with a potential buyer. The list of items on the inventory has been shared with the congregations in the hope that some may be requested and used.

Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Brittain, Chair