

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON  
SPIRITUAL GROWTH AND NURTURE

To the One Hundred Thirty First Council  
of the Dioceses of the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic  
of the Reformed Episcopal Church

Dear Brethren,

The primary function of the committee has been to sponsor a retreat for pastors, their wives and other Reformed Episcopalians involved in the ministry of our church. This year's speaker was the Rev. Kevin D. Skogen who walked us through various themes from the Narnia series by C.S. Lewis. It was a wonderful time of devotion and jocularity.

Thankfully the cost remains the same this year and we are continuing the theme of deep devotion with our sessions.

This year we will again be retreating to Lancaster, PA at the Eden Resort. The retreat will be January 26-28. This year's speakers will be several clergymen from our dioceses who will share insights and testimonies of how specific psalms have ministered to them.

The committee strongly encourages vestries to send their pastor and his wife and others who minister formally in their respective parishes to the retreat. When a pastor is fed and refreshed the congregation benefits. We will be making a concerted effort to contact all Senior Wardens to encourage them toward this end.

Finally, the committee would like to nudge parishes that are strong financially to consider sponsoring a pastor and his wife from another parish in the dioceses who may not otherwise be able to attend the retreat.

“Thank you” to all Committee members who gave their input and feedback.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Rev. Eric W. Jorgensen, Committee Chairman