

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SPIRITUAL GROWTH AND NURTURE

To the One Hundred Forty Fourth Council

of the Diocese of the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic of the Reformed Episcopal Church

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The primary function of this committee has been to sponsor a retreat for pastors, their wives and others involved in the ministry of the Church serving in this diocese. Once again we offer special “thanks” to Bishop Gillin and his wife Jan for encouraging and advertising this ministry along with the work of Mrs. Kim Jenkins.

The retreat for 2024 took place on February 1st thru the 3rd at the Eden Resort in Lancaster, PA. The itinerary included times of worship, games, meals and learning sessions as well as free time. During our teaching sessions we watched well done videos on archeological discoveries in the Holy Land as well as receiving background information for each video and a discussion for each session. The sessions were well received and we at St. Stephen’s used the series for adult Sunday School. Those videos can be found at expeditionbible.com.

The next retreat will be held on **February 6th thru the 8th 2025** again at the Eden Resort in Lancaster, PA.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Very Rev. Eric W. Jorgensen