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2020-2021 Annual Report
of a member of the Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley serving out of bounds at
Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson, MS

I have continued, in the past year, in the work to which this presbytery has called and ordained me.

The following is a report of my labors since the August 2020 stated meeting of this presbytery.

Service at Reformed Theological Seminary

I have taught a full load of courses in the Fall Semester of Academic Year 2020-2021. These courses included both core and elective courses. In the Spring Semester, I was on academic sabbatical at RTS. The bulk of my sabbatical was devoted to writing.

I continue to serve as Academic Dean of RTS's campuses in Dallas and Houston, and on the admissions committees of RTS Jackson and RTS Dallas.

I have continued academic advising responsibilities for Seminary students.

Service outside Reformed Theological Seminary

My family and I have faithfully attended morning and evening services on the Lord's Day at First Presbyterian Church, Jackson.

I have also preached 74 times in congregations of this presbytery, other PCA presbyteries, and outside the PCA. On 8 occasions, I administered the Lord's Supper. On at least 70 occasions, I pronounced the benediction.

I served on one ordination and installation commission this past year.

I have just completed my fourth year on the Assembly's Standing Judicial Commission and have faithfully participated in the Commission's work this year.

In June, 2021, I attended General Assembly as a commissioner.

This past year, I have drafted several book reviews, chapters, and articles. My book on the doctrine of Scripture, *For the Mouth of the Lord Has Spoken It: The Doctrine of Scripture* (Mentor) was released in November, 2020. I served as senior editor of (and contributor to) an RTS faculty volume, *Covenant Theology: Biblical, Theological, and Historical Perspectives*, which Crossway is scheduled released in October, 2020.

My book, *A Field Guide to Church Government* (Reformation Heritage) is scheduled for publication, likely in 2022. I have drafted a commentary on Ezekiel that appears in *Lexham Context Commentary on the Old Testament, Volume 4: Major Prophets* (forthcoming). I have drafted and am about to submit a MS to Ligonier,

tentatively titled, *Facing the Last Enemy: A Christian View of Death and Dying*. I have drafted and am about to submit at MS to Crossway, tentatively titled, *A Biblical Theology of the Sabbath*.

Service in the Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley

I have faithfully attended all stated and called meetings of this presbytery during this period.

I am now serving on PMV's Nominations Committee, and, since November, 2020, the Credentials Committee.

I presently serve as PMV's Parliamentarian.

Conclusions and Petition for Extension of OOB Status

2020-2021 has been an eventful year. I am grateful for the opportunity to have undertaken this work that this presbytery has called and ordained me to do. I wish to report a change in my call, since my base salary has increased by approximately 3%; my housing allowance remains unchanged. I am grateful for PMV's permission to have labored Out of Bounds this past year. I respectfully request that PMV grant me permission to labor out of bounds as James M. Baird, Jr., Professor of New Testament, Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson, MS.

Your Servant in Christ,

Guy Waters