

**The United Reformed Churches in North America**  
**Synod Nyack 2012**  
**Press Release #4**  
**Friday, June 14, 2012**

**Final Push**

With the early sun reflecting upon the Hudson River, the sovereign Lord blessed the delegates of Synod Nyack with another beautiful display of His glory in creation. Somewhat energized by a night's rest, the body set itself to make the final push through the agenda material. Among the delegates there was a spirit of relief for the work already accomplished mixed with a spirit of focus upon the heavy work that still awaited.

**Fraternal Greetings**

Early in the day, the body had the wonderful opportunity of receiving an address from the fraternal delegate of the Reformed Churches of New Zealand (RCNZ). Furthermore, the later afternoon gave opportunity to hear a report from the Committee for Ecumenical Contact with Churches Abroad (CECCA). With joy, the body affirmed its ecumenical relations with numerous foreign denominations and federations.

**Processing Appeals**

Friday also presented the delegates the weighty work of processing numerous appeals. Rest assured, the assembly felt the heavy weight of dealing carefully with such matters. It concluded this portion of the deliberation by earnest calling upon [the] God of reconciliation.

**Miscellaneous Matters**

As the day drew on, the assembly dealt with the item of adopting a budget for the federation. The adopted budget gave the federation "askings" equaling approximately \$13.10 per family.

**Synod Adjournment**

In closing matters, by way of re-appointment, Rev. Bradd Nymeyer was elected to the functionary of Stated Clerk. In addition, Rev. Doug Barnes was elected as Alternate Stated Clerk.

At the end of a long yet profitable week of ecclesiastical work, the delegates set the next meeting of Synod, to be convened by Trinity URC –Visalia, CA, for mid-June in 2014, DV. Just prior to adjournment, the chairman addressed the body with words of warm wisdom. As the delegates began their trips back to their home and loved ones, it was with the desire and conviction that the Lord would bless the work the assembly had done for the good of His people and the glory of His name.

Humbly Submitted,

Rev. Greg Lubbers

Second Clerk of Synod Nyack