

Date: March 10, 2008

To: All Pastors and Clerks of Session

From: JoAnne McMEnamin, Chair, Older Adult Committee

Subject: Older Adult Ministries' **Outstanding Older Adult Award**

The Older Adult Ministries Committee of the Presbytery of New Hope invites your Session to nominate one person for the 2008 Outstanding Older Adult Award, to be honored at the 74<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of New Hope, July 15, 2008 at the Western Boulevard Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, NC. Your nominee should be a person who actively lives out his/her faith in service to the church and community. A nomination form is enclosed listing the criteria.

The purpose of the Older Adult Ministries' award for Outstanding Older Adult is to recognize an older adult 60 years or older who exemplifies positive images of aging personally, in the life of the church and/or community. Further, this nomination process offers an opportunity at every level of the church to recognize older persons who, by their example, serve as role models to all the generations for growing older with a sense of God's grace. We encourage you to honor your nominee. May is an excellent time to do this, in recognition of Older Adults Month.

The process: The Older Adult Ministries Committee of the Presbytery of New Hope respectfully requests that each Session nominate one person and **submit the nomination form to the presbytery by Monday, June 16, 2008**. You may submit your nominations by mail, fax, or e-mail to: René Baker, Older Adult Nomination, 2309 Sunset Avenue, Rocky Mount, NC 27804, or 252.443-5229 or rbaker@nhpresbytery.org. **They must be typed.**

We look forward to your response!

**OLDER ADULT MINISTRIES AWARD  
OUTSTANDING OLDER ADULT  
Presbytery of New Hope**

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**Focus:** When nominating a person for this award, *please focus exclusively on the person's later life activities.*

**Process:** The Older Adult Ministries Committee invites your session to nominate one person for the Outstanding Older Adult Award. The person will be introduced to the Presbytery at the July 15, 2008 meeting at the Western Boulevard Presbyterian Church, 4900 Kaplan Drive, Raleigh, North Carolina.

*Time Line: Nominations should be submitted to your presbytery office (list of contact persons is provided) by Monday, June 16, 2008.*

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The Presbytery of New Hope  
Nomination Form**

**Rationale for Nomination**

In one page or less, elaborate specifically on how the nominee (a faithful member of a church within the Presbytery of New Hope) fulfills the following criteria. ***Please focus exclusively on his/her life after age 60. In addition to the one page or less write-up, please include a 50 word or fewer summary and a photo of your nominee to be included in the Presbytery booklet.***

- What contributions has the nominee made in the life of his/her congregation and community since reaching the age of 60?
- How is this person a role model to other generations and his/her own generation as to how to live fully, particularly in one's later years?
- How have his/her gifts and talents been exhibited, particularly in creative ways?
- How does this person's life bear witness to Christ working in him or her?

***Given his/her contributions to the life and mission of the church, we feel the following older adult member of our congregation merits recognition at presbytery.***

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

AGE \_\_\_\_\_

Family \_\_\_\_\_  
(Spouse, Children, Grandchildren, etc.)

**From: The Session of \_\_\_\_\_ Presbyterian Church**

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_