

## CORRECTIONS/AMENDMENTS TO STANDARDS

### Part 1: *The Confession of Faith* (Corrections are Bold)

- a. Page 68, OF BAPTISM, I, LINE 8  
“...be continued in **his** church until the end of the world.”  
[NOTE: Needs correcting on Web]
- b. Page 69, OF BAPTISM, VI, line 4  
“saved without it,<sup>o</sup> or that all **that** are baptized are undoubtedly”

### Part 2: *The Shorter Catechism* (Corrections are Bold)

- a. Page 157: Q 30 – “...redemption **purchased** by Christ?”
- b. Page 160: Q 49, A – “Thou shalt not make **unto** thee...”
- c. Page 161: Q 56, A – “...That however the **breakers** of this...”
- d. Page 167: Q 91, A – “...not from any virtue in them **or** in him that...”

### Part 3: Form of Government (Revised Sections) [NOTE: Needs correcting on Web]

- a. Page 214: Chapter X.E.11:  
11. The call shall clearly state the amount of salary and other allowances, and shall include information as to manse, vacation, moving expense, medical and hospitalization insurance and, except for calls to new fields or congregations which are unable to support a pastor (i.e., as an evangelist), shall include provisions for the church to make contributions to the General Synod in support of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Retirement Plan (for churches in the United States) or to a locally-accredited and registered retirement plan approved by the presbytery (for churches located outside the United States), according to the guidelines approved by the General Synod. Calls shall provide for an annual review of the terms of the call. Without such a statement the call shall not be approved. The call shall meet all requirements of the Presbytery before approval. A call shall be presented to a pastor-elect by the Presbytery in which the congregation issuing the call is located.  
[At Bottom of Page: Amendment No. 35 effective June 7, 2006 (X.E.11)]
- b. Page 217: Chapter X.H.1:  
1. The procedure for calls to ministers other than those involving pastoral relationship shall be essentially the same as for calls to the pastorate. The court or agency issuing the call shall present to the Presbytery of which he is a member, which shall retain primary jurisdiction, a call appropriate to the service involved.  
[At Bottom of Page: Amendment No. 36 effective June 7, 2006 (X.H.1)]
- c. Page 218: Chapter XI.B.1:  
1. The session shall have as its primary responsibility the initiation, planning, organization

and administration of programs designed to enable the congregation to carry on the mission of God in Christ's Church by word and deed in the community and also in the Presbytery, the General Synod and the whole world. In order to institute and supervise the general work of the congregation, the Session has the power to appoint boards, commissions, or committees (See Chapter XIV).

[At Bottom of Page: Amendment No. 37 effective June 7, 2006 (XI.B.1)]

d. Page 221: Chapter XII.B.1:

1. The Presbytery shall have as its primary responsibility the initiation, planning, organization and administration of programs designed to enable it to carry on the mission of God in Christ's Church by word and deed in the Presbytery and also in the local congregations, the General Synod and the whole world. In order to institute and supervise the general work of the Presbytery, the Presbytery has the power to appoint boards, commissions, or committees (See Chapter XIV).

[At Bottom of Page: Amendment No. 38 effective June 7, 2006 (XII.B.1)]

e. Page 226: Chapter XIII. Heading:

CHAPTER XIII  
CONCERNING THE GENERAL SYNOD

In order to institute and supervise the general work of the Church, the General Synod has the power to appoint boards, commissions, and committees (See Chapter XIV).

A. ITS PURPOSE

[At Bottom of Page: Amendment No. 39 effective June 7, 2006 (XIII.Heading)]

f. Page 226: Chapter XIII.B.2.b:

b. To institute, create operating rules, and supervise the agencies necessary in the general work of the Church.

[At Bottom of Page: Amendment No. 40 effective June 7, 2006 (XIII.B.2.b)]

g. Page 234: Chapter XIII.D:

D. THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN

ARP Women's Ministries is an organization which encourages and equips the community of Associate Reformed Presbyterian women to minister together for God's glory and purpose, functioning under the ecclesiastical leadership of the General Synod of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.

ARP Women's Ministries accomplishes its purposes through its Board and presbytery and local church organizations.

ARP Women's Ministries shall report to the General Synod on an annual basis.

[At Bottom of Page: Amendment No. 41 effective June 7, 2006 (XIII.D)]

h. Page 235: Chapter XIV.A:

## A. BOARDS

### 1. Purpose.

A board is a body appointed and empowered by a court of the Church to take management of certain specified duties in advancing the mission of the church.

The specified duties shall be set forth and published in a manual of authorities and duties or other document of the appointing court.

### 2. Authority and responsibility.

a. A board shall perform the specified duties entrusted to it without particular instructions from the appointing court but shall follow the general instructions of the court.

b. A board is empowered to study, initiate, and administer programs and funds within its specific area of responsibility, and hold title to properties within its specific area of responsibility.

c. A board is empowered to create and staff an administrative entity for the purpose of carrying out its specified duties. A position description of an administrative officer of a board of the General Synod shall be submitted to the General Synod for inclusion in a manual of authorities and duties. The administrative officer shall report to the board on the basis of his position description.

d. A board shall make an annual report to the appointing court, giving full statement of all business transacted, actions taken during the year, and newly initiated and/or planned programs. The report shall address the specified duties as set forth in a manual of authorities and duties or other document of the appointing court.

e. Any action of a board may be approved, amended, or set aside by the appointing court.

f. A board shall keep full and accurate records of its proceedings in a permanent form which shall be available for review and inspection as required by the appointing court.

### 3. Composition and organization.

a. Members of a board shall be appointed and their terms of membership shall be fixed by the appointing court.

b. A board shall elect its own officers and, subject to the approval of the appointing court, shall adopt a constitution, policy book, and/or by-laws. Changes to governing documents shall be reported to the appointing court.

c. A board may incorporate; however, the provision of its charter and by-laws must always be in accordance with the *Form of Government of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church*.

4. Any newly-elected member of any board or any newly-appointed administrative or teaching employee shall have given satisfactory evidence of his or her belief in and adherence to the basic doctrines of evangelical Christianity as adopted by the General Synod and as set forth in a manual of authorities and duties.

[At Bottom of Page: Amendment No. 42 effective June 7, 2006 (XIV.A)]

i. Page 236: Chapter XIV.B.2: [Change “b” to “c” and insert new “b”]

b. An ecclesiastical commission may be formed to interpret, construe, and apply the constitution and laws of the church to all matters involving constitutionality referred to it by the appointing court.

c.

[At Bottom of Page: Amendment No. 43 effective June 7, 2006 (XIV.B.2.b, XIV.B.2.c)]

j. Page 238: Chapter XIV.C.4: [Add]

4. Any newly-elected member of any Committee shall have given satisfactory evidence of his or her belief in and adherence to the basic doctrines of evangelical Christianity as adopted by the General Synod and as set forth in a manual of authorities and duties.

[At Bottom of Page: Amendment No. 44 effective June 7, 2006 (XIV.C.4)]