

1 **OVERTURE 17** from Mississippi Valley Presbytery (to MNA)  
2 "Change the Boundaries of Covenant and Mississippi Valley Presbyteries"  
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4 **Whereas** the geographic center of Covenant Presbytery has shifted significantly north and  
5 west in recent years as evidenced by the frequency of stated meetings in the Memphis  
6 area and parts of Arkansas; and  
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8 **Whereas** Lowndes, the county in Mississippi where Main Street Presbyterian Church (the  
9 only PCA church in the county) is located, is on the southernmost border of Covenant  
10 Presbytery and borders The Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley on its southern  
11 border; and  
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13 **Whereas** the Session of Main Street Presbyterian Church wants to have more regular  
14 participation in the stated meetings of Presbytery; and  
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16 **Whereas** the Session of Main Street Presbyterian Church finds this participation difficult due  
17 to the locations where many of the stated meetings of Covenant Presbytery are held;  
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20 **Whereas** the locations of the stated meetings of The Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley are  
21 usually closer to Columbus, MS, and often significantly so, than the locations of the  
22 stated meetings of Covenant Presbytery; and  
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24 **Whereas** The Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley has in the past acted in similar situations  
25 to allow the transfer of churches in Winona, MS; Ackerman, MS; Delhi, LA and  
26 Rustin, LA, into the Presbytery  
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28 **Therefore, be it resolved** that the Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley overtures the 2025  
29 General Assembly to transfer Lowndes County in Mississippi from the geographic  
30 bounds of Covenant Presbytery to the geographic bounds of The Presbytery of the  
31 Mississippi Valley.  
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34 *Adopted by the Mississippi Valley Presbytery at its stated meeting, February 4, 2025.*  
35 *Attested by TE Chris Wright, stated clerk*