

Penn West Conference
Committee On Ministry
Report for 2024

Immediately following last year's Annual Meeting, our committee began a search for 2 new professors for the Academy as a result of resignations as of last May. Our choices were to select Dr. Jonathan Lawrence to teach the Church History Class and Melissa McLean for the Worship and Preaching Class, The Academy had 3 new students starting last fall. We will soon be starting a search to replace George Steffy who retired from the Academy faculty this year. This position is for the New Testament class.

We planned a special program on Active Shooter /Church Safety training but had to cancel it because of lack of interest and registrations.

This year's Pastoral Ethics/Continuing education program is on child sexual abuse and elder abuse; it is a self-paced program on line and each person can do the program at their chosen time.

We sent out a survey about a possible clergy spouse retreat, but that too was dropped for lack of interest.

As of this writing, a Clergy Convocation will soon be held in Lancaster (May 7-9) on "Healing Together".

WE continue to try to get all association's records to the conference office.

Once again, I and the whole committee can't thank David enough for his constant leadership and guidance.

Sincerely,



Barry W. Fillman
Chair of Comm.