September 10, 2012

Dear Friends,

For more than six years, The Reverend Douglas Kelly has served you as Regional Representative for the Board of Pensions in the Synods of Mid-America, Lakes and Prairies, and Lincoln Trails. After nearly forty years of serving the Presbyterian Church as a pastor, college chaplain, presbytery executive, synod executive, and Board of Pensions Regional Representative, Doug plans to retire on November 30, 2012. Like me, I know you are grateful for Doug's long and distinguished service among us and that you join me in wishing him God's blessings in retirement.

While excited with Doug about this new and exciting stage in his life, we will miss him at the Board of Pensions. As a friend and a colleague, Doug has brought to his work energy, intelligence, expertise, institutional awareness, and deep devotion to Christian ministry. He will be missed.

I want to assure you, the people that Doug has served, that we are here to serve you. We will soon commence a search for a Regional Representative to succeed him. Of course, that will take a few months. In the meantime, Doug will continue to serve you through November. After that, we at the Board of Pensions and particularly those of us in the Church Relations office, will do everything we can to support you until we have a new Regional Representative trained and in the field. Please do not hesitate to contact the Member Service Team at (800) 773-7752 (800-PRESPLAN) for service matters. To schedule events or to address Church Relations issues, please contact my office directly at (800) 773-7752, extension 7224, or contact me by email at <u>imcfayden@pensions.org</u>.

I know that you join me in expressing thanks to Doug for his service to all of us as a Regional Representative and holding him in our prayers as he commences the joys and blessings of retirement living and service.

Faithfully yours,

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