



The Classis of Ontario, Inc
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF CLASSIS
CELEBRATING THE ORGANIZATION OF THE
GRACE REFORMED CHURCH OF THOROLD, ONTARIO
DECEMBER 5, 1997 AT 8 P.M.

This time of worship was held in the Grace Reformed Church for the purpose of bringing the La Senda Church into full communion in the Reformed Church in America, in the Classis of Ontario.

MINISTERS PRESENT: Lieuwe Schaafsma, John Kapteyn, Leslie Boyd, Ken Ramsay, Abram Blaak, Tom VanderSchaaf, Henry Dekorte, Thomas Meyer.

ELDERS PRESENT: A. Zekveld, Albert Moddejonge, Jerry Koobs, Irene Keunen, Jerry Keunen, Dong Lowe, Barte De Boer, Art Winkler, Art Dubbeldam, Rick Vanee.

When a quorum had gathered for this session, Classis was called to order. The meeting was opened in prayer by the President, the Mr Art Dubbeldam.

The Word was brought by the Rev Ken Ramsay read from Matthew 5 - 14-46 — speaking about the three reasons to shine.

The Classis was asked if they approved the request that a church be formed in Thorold, known as Grace Reformed Congregation The President led us in prayer and the exposition of the Organization Service, Grace Reformed Church was brought into the Classis. Rev Sikkema led the congregation inquired of the congregation if they would be faithful, and they accepted the challenge. Rev Boyd read off the names of those who were confessing members of the new congregation, and these were all received in the membership of the new congregation.

The Charge to the Minister was given by the Rev Lieuwe Schaafsma, and Rev Abram Blaak gave the Charge to the Congregation. Mr Dubbeldam then led us all in prayer for God's mercy .

The Classis also had the joy of witnessing in ordination of Grace Church's Elders and Deacons. They were encouraged by the Rev Boyd after the installation. The Rev Boyd closed the celebration with the benediction of God's grace.

A time of fellowship followed in the Church.

Humbly submitted,

The Rev Abram Blaak
Stated Clerk

Mr Art Dubbeldam
Classis President