

## Announcements:

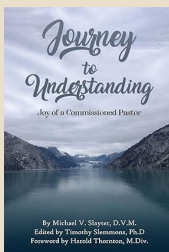
### National Capital Presbytery

and Ebenezer Presbyterian Church, Woodbridge, Va, invite you to the ordination/installation service of **Samuel Sarpong** on Saturday, February 10, 2024, at 1:00 p.m., at Ebenezer Presbyterian Church. Link to online service: <https://www.youtube.com/live/Ph6LtRbjutc?si=VGEHe-b19FTpLC8K>

**The Wilhelmina and Stanley Jashemski Memorial Scholarship Fund** - Wilhelmina and Stanley Jashemski, long-time members of **Takoma Park Presbyterian Church**, sponsored a Sunday school forum in which young adults could explore their faith in an intellectually challenging environment. Their shared commitment to encourage the development of people with potential for inspired, enlightened leadership is reflected in the goals and purposes of the Fund. The Stanley A. and Wilhelmina Jashemski Memorial Scholarship at Takoma Park Presbyterian Church provide financial assistance for students of outstanding intellectual ability as evidenced by prior academic performance, and significant religious commitment as evidenced by formal membership in a religious body, regular participation in its worship life, and active involvement in its service ministry. Information about the scholarship and the application can be found at <https://www.takomaparkpc.org/jashemski-scholarship>. **Applications are due each year on February 15.** For questions, please contact [Jashemski@takomaparkpc.org](mailto:Jashemski@takomaparkpc.org)

**Do you know a high school senior who is discerning a call to ministry? We want to be sure that he/she/they know about The A. Purnell Bailey Pre-Ministerial Program at Randolph-Macon College.**

This scholarship offers half-tuition during a student's freshman and sophomore years at R-MC and full-tuition during the junior and senior years. The Bailey Program includes weekly meetings for vocational discernment, creating a strong, supportive peer group. During a student's tenure in the program, there are many opportunities to visit with Theology School representatives, spend time with persons in a variety of professional ministry roles, and reflect on a personal sense of call. There are two internship opportunities, one for academic credit and one with a financial stipend. Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Virginia enrolls over 1,500 undergraduate students who pursue their academic paths in fifty-five areas of study. The oldest United Methodist College in continuous operation, we are proud to be home to the Bailey Scholars program helping to prepare a new generation of leaders in the Church. Online Bailey Scholar applications are being accepted now, with a deadline of February 5, 2024. The program is open to Christian students of any denomination or Christian tradition. Learn more at <http://www.rmc.edu/academics/pre-ministerial> or by contacting the Rev. Kendra Grimes, Director of the Bailey Scholars Program, at [kendragrimes@rmc.edu](mailto:kendragrimes@rmc.edu) or (804)752-7374.



The author, **Dr. Michael Slayter**, is a graduate of Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine, Class of 1969. In the last fifty-plus years, he has spent time in private practice, twenty-one years in both Air Force and Army Veterinary Corps, and is board certified in veterinary pathology. Before final retirement, he found his niche in diagnostic pathology, during which his Christian journey called him to be a lay minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA). After final retirement, and not satisfied with mere tangential involvement in his church life, he pursued the goal of becoming a Commissioned Pastor. Having completed the required seminary training through University of Dubuque Theological Seminary, he was first commissioned in Central Florida Presbytery in 2016 and again in National Capital Presbytery in 2023. He now lives in Dumfries and is Parish Assistant at First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City where he preaches on a regular basis and moderates the ministry of deacons. He wishes to share what he has learned along the way as motivation to those who find the Christian journey challenging and to those who think they are too old to begin a new chapter in service to Christ and his church. Book available here:

[https://www.amazon.com/dp/1917054580?ref=cm\\_sw\\_r\\_em\\_ud\\_dp\\_ZEVZH4KWJEQY6QV1ND98\\_1](https://www.amazon.com/dp/1917054580?ref=cm_sw_r_em_ud_dp_ZEVZH4KWJEQY6QV1ND98_1)



**SAVE THE DATE - NCP LEADERSHIP TRAINING – April 27, 2024**



**Confirmation Retreat - February 23-25**

<https://www.camphanover.org/confirmation-retreat/>

Bring your confirmation class to Camp Hanover for a time of fellowship, fun, and faith at our Confirmation Retreat. Retreat leader Pastor Adam Bowling will guide participants in exploring the theme Imagine, based on Romans 12:9-21, during this exciting event.