

## Permanent Commissions, Boards, and Agencies

### 2023-2024

Names listed below were accurate as of March 17, 2024. Current lists of individuals who are serving as members of these bodies are found online in the General Synod Directory at [my.rca.org](http://my.rca.org).

An asterisk (\*) indicates serving a final term.

#### GENERAL SYNOD COUNCIL

Nancy Boote	2027*
Calvin Brouwer	2026*
Vivian Campbell	2024 AABC
Michelle Chahine	2024*
Linda Cline	2025*
Devonna Cousins	2024*
Susan Davis	2025*
Brian Engel	2025*
Clair Hoeksema	2027*
Dwayne Jackson, <i>vice moderator</i>	2024* PP, GS
Randy Karcher	2026* RSA
Bradley Kautz	2026* RSFW
Yong Bok Kim	2026* CPAAM
Michael Meyer-Veen	2025*
Sheila Moses	2024* RSNY
Judith Nelson	2024 P, GS
Eric Nichols	2025* RSMAt
Jonathan Opgenorth	2027* RSGL
Carlos Rivera	2024 CHM
Neale Roller	2025* RSMAM
Joshua Scheid, <i>second vice moderator</i>	2024 VP, GS
Jidong Shan	2027*
Kjersten Sullivan	2025* Ecumenical - ELCA
Kimberly Van Es, <i>moderator</i>	2024*
Harris Van Oort	2024* RSH
Patricia Varga	2024*
Hank Vrielink	2027* RSC
Maudelin Willock	2026*
Eddy Alemán ( <i>general secretary</i> )	<i>Ex officio</i>

#### RACIAL AND ETHNIC COUNCILS

##### African American Black Council Executive Committee

Sharon Atkins, *chair*

Winfred Burns, *ministry catalyst for economic development*

Tony Davis, *ministry catalyst for leadership development*  
Earl James, *vice chair*  
Cedric Nelms, *ministry catalyst for social and racial justice*  
Maudelin Willock, *secretary*

### **Council for Native American Indigenous Ministries Executive Committee**

[formal reinstatement by the General Synod Council was not complete as of the date this list was created; council bylaws are nearing completion and executive committee should be elected soon]

### **Council for Pacific and Asian American Ministries Executive Committee**

Jae Hyun Ahn  
Peihuang Chen, *vice president*  
Felix Fan  
Jelty Ochotan  
Leonardy Poluan, *president*  
Narayana Das Rendla  
Ancela Fransisca Rumokoy, *past president, ex officio*  
Melanie Situmorang  
Jui-Lin Ou Yang

### **Global Council for Hispanic Ministries Executive Committee**

Jonatan Basora  
Fabio Sosa, *president*  
Martin Torrealba  
Maria Vera

## **COMMISSIONS**

### **Christian Action**

James Dekker	2026	Ecumenical - Reformed
Anne Elzinga	2026*	
Leah Ennis	2024	
Rodney Haveman	2025	
Edward Lungu	2025*	
Doug Ogden	2026	Ecumenical - ELCA
Bradley Prince	2026*	
Dianna Smith	2024	
Thomas HungYong Song	2026	
Cameron Van Kooten Laughead, <i>moderator</i>	2024*	
Mashona Walston	2025	

## Christian Discipleship and Education

Ellen Balk	2025
Rebecca Koerselman	2026*
Patricia Simmons	2025
Mark Swart, <i>moderator</i>	2024*
Bradley VanderWaal	2024*
LaCosta VanDyk	2026
Jason White	2024

## Christian Unity

Dale Buettner	2024
Nathan Busker	2024
Carlos Corro, <i>moderator</i>	2024*
Stacey Duensing Pearce	2025*
Anthony Elenbaas	2026* Ecumenical - CRCNA
Robert Hoffman	2026
Carol (Kitt) Jackson, <i>vice moderator</i>	2026*
Jeffery Lampen, <i>secretary</i>	2026*
Kim Pavlovich	2025
Eddy Alemán ( <i>general secretary</i> )	<i>Ex officio</i>

## Christian Worship

Rosalyn De Koster	2026
Kent Frens	2024*
Cory Grimm	2025
Ronald Rienstra	2025
Irving Rivera	2025
Beverly Robinson	2026
Troy Van Beek, <i>moderator</i>	2024*

## Church Order

Brian Andrew	2024
Amanda Bruehl	2026
Philip De Koster	2026
Christopher Jacobsen, <i>moderator</i>	2024
Howard Moths	2025*

## History

Aric Balk	2026
Corstian Devos	2026*
Katlyn DeVries, <i>moderator</i>	2025
Daniel Meeter	2024
Douglas Shepler	2024

David Zomer 2025\*

### Judicial Business

Brion Brooks, *vice moderator, secretary* 2024 RSMAM  
Brienne Marriott 2025 RSFW  
Erin Parker, *moderator* 2025\* RSA  
William Peake 2026 RSH  
Edward Thornton 2024 RSMAt  
Carl Visser 2024 RSC  
Susan Vogel-Vanderson 2025 RSGL  
Susanah Wade 2026 RSNY

### Nominations

Tricia Berry, *secretary* 2024 RSH  
Ock Kee Byun 2024\* CPAAM  
Lawrence Dove, *vice moderator* 2026\* AABC  
Nancy Gillis 2024 NAIM  
Linda Gold 2025 RSA  
Suzanne Hart 2025 RSGL  
Dwayne Jackson 2024\* PP, GS  
Dylan Kallioinen 2026 RSMAM  
Albert Plat 2024 RSC  
Christopher Poest 2026 RSMAt  
Patricia Sealy, *moderator* 2024 RSNY  
Jael Serrano-Altamirano 2025\* GCHM  
Eddy Alemán (*general secretary*) *Ex officio*  
Vacancy 2025 RSFW

### Race and Ethnicity

Rolfi Elivo Lopez 2024 GCHM  
Nathan Gullion 2026 NAIM  
Earl James, *secretary* 2025  
Stephen Kim 2025\* CPAAM  
Young Na 2026\*  
Nathan Pyle, *vice moderator* 2026\*  
Riana Shaw Robinson 2024  
Kelvin Spooner, *moderator* 2024\* AABC

### Theology

Lyle Bierma 2026 Ecumenical – Reformed  
Steven Bouma-Prediger 2026\*  
James Brumm, *moderator* 2025  
William (Ruggles) Church 2025  
Nathan Longfield 2026

Micah McCreary	2024	
Carlos Santos	2026	Ecumenical observer - ELCA
Douglas Scholten	2025	
Sara Tolsma	2026	
Matthew van Maastricht	2025	
Robert Whittington	2024	
Vacancy	2024	

## Women

Philip Bakelaar, <i>secretary</i>	2024	
Kristin Brouwer	2026	
Florence Dekker	2026*	
Cedric Nelms	2025	
Claudette Reid	2024*	
Debra Rensink, <i>moderator</i>	2025*	
Barbara Spooner	2024	
Mark Waterstone	2025	

## AGENCIES

### Board of Benefits Services

Eddy Alemán ( <i>general secretary</i> )		
Beryl Banks	2026	
Lynn Barnes	2025*	
Ralph Condis	2024*	
Timothy Cumings, <i>president</i>	2026*	
Lucio Flavio Rodrigues, <i>vice president</i>	2025	
Clair Hoeksema	2027*	GSC Designee
Judith Nelson	2023	P, GS
Wayne Otten	2024	
Seth Weener	2026	

### Church Growth Fund, Inc. Board

Elba Arias-Lopez, <i>secretary</i>	2025	
Michael Bos	2026*	
Joel Bouwens, <i>vice president</i>	2025	
Mark Ellingson	2026	
Michael Molling	2026	
Ronald Rukambe, <i>president</i>	2025*	
Diane Smith Faubion	2024	
Eddy Alemán ( <i>general secretary</i> )		<i>Ex officio</i>

### Ministerial Formation Certification Agency Board of Trustees

Gerald Baraza	2025	
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Scott Christiansen	2024*
Norma Coleman-James, <i>secretary</i>	2025*
Susan Converse	2026
San-Yi Shirley Lin, <i>vice moderator</i>	2024*
Jonathan Opgenorth	2024 GSC Representative
Jacqueline Valdez	2025
Cathleen Wolff, <i>moderator</i>	2025*
Lyle Zumdahl	2026
Eddy Alemán ( <i>general secretary</i> )	<i>Ex officio</i>

### **Pastoral Formation Oversight Board**

Israel Camacho	2024
Norma Coleman-James	2025* MFCA
Gregory Dunlap	2026* NBTS
Victor Folkert, <i>secretary</i>	2025
Daniel Gillett, <i>moderator</i>	2026*
Kristen Johnson	2024* WTS
Micah McCreary	NBTS president
Carol Mutch, <i>vice moderator</i>	2025* CPAT
Chad Pierce	2026*
David Schutt	MFCA interim executive director
Cora Taitt	2024*
Felix Theonugraha	WTS president
Kimberly Van Es	2024* GSC Designee
Eddy Alemán ( <i>general secretary</i> )	<i>Ex officio</i>

### **ECUMENICAL DELEGATIONS**

#### **Christian Churches Together**

Judy Nelson (executive committee)

#### **Christian Reformed Church (Reformed Collaborative)**

Eddy Alemán  
Christina Tazelaar

#### **Creation Justice Ministries**

Robin Suydam (board member)

#### **Churches for Middle East Peace**

Laura Osborne (board member)

## **Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

Dale Buettner (Church Council)

## **Formula of Agreement**

Eddy Alemán

## **Global Christian Forum**

Stacey Duensing Pearce (young adult consultant)  
Wesley Granberg-Michaelson (executive committee)

## **National Council of Churches**

Eddy Alemán (governing board)  
Jeffery Lampen (Christian Education Table)  
Carol (Kitt) Jackson (Faith and Order Table)  
Laura Osborne (Interreligious Table)

## **Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**

Vacancy (Committee on Ecumenical and Interreligious Relations)

## **Reformed-Catholic Dialogue**

Eddy Alemán  
Monica Schaap Pierce  
Laura Osborne

## **World Communion of Reformed Churches**

Lisa Vander Wal (executive committee)  
Chelsea Lampen (CANAAC secretary)

## **World Council of Churches**

Eddy Alemán  
Stacey Duensing Pearce (Central Committee and young adult consultant)

## **INSTITUTIONS**

### **New Brunswick Theological Seminary Board of Trustees**

Valerie Arthur	2025*
Angelita Clifton	2026
Samuel Cruz	2026*
Henry Davis III	2025

Gregory Dunlap, <i>vice moderator</i>	2024* RSMat
Cambria Kaltwasser	2026*
Denise Kingdom Grier	2024* RSGL
Therese McCarty	2025*
Felicia McGinty	2026*
Steven Miller	2025
Michael Morris, <i>secretary</i>	2024 RSFW
Abigail Norton-Levering, <i>moderator</i>	2025* RSA
Zachary Pearce	2025
Albert Plat	2026 RSC
Wilfredo Rodriguez	2025*
Ming-Chen (Grace) Rohrer	2024
Elizabeth Testa	2024 RSNY
Anthony Vis	2026* RSH
Eddy Alemán ( <i>general secretary</i> )	<i>Ex officio</i>

### **Western Theological Seminary Board of Trustees Elected by the General Synod**

*\*Note: Due to Western's shift in relationship with the General Synod in 2022, its board now contains three General Synod-approved trustees.*

Kate Bolt	2025
Rebecca Renner Anderson	2025
Lisa Vander Wal	2025*

### **COLLEGES**

#### **Central College Trustees Affirmed by the General Synod**

Mark Ellingson	2024
Steve Sikkink	2024
Judith Vogel	2024

#### **Hope College Trustees Elected by the General Synod**

Eddy Alemán	2026
Llena Chavis	2024*
Nathan Hart	2025*
Michael Pitsenberger	2026
Matthew Wixon	2027*

#### **Northwestern College Trustees Approved by the General Synod**

Eddy Alemán	2026*
Wayne Van Heuvelen	2025*
Gerald Van Roekel	2027