

G.A. News Brief—San Jose, CA

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The *real* excitement of the General Assembly is about to begin. Committees begin to make their reports and commissions take action on their recommendations beginning at 2:30 today (5:30 p.m. EDT).

On Saturday the commissioners elected the Rev. Bruce Reyes-Chow as the Moderator of the 218th General Assembly. I was thrilled! I had met Bruce at my last meeting of the General Assembly Council. He had come as an observer and I had the opportunity for a one-on-one conversation with him. I discovered he is 39-years-old and deeply committed to congregational transformation and the “emergent church.” In fact, he is a new church development pastor in San Francisco. The more we talked, the more impressed I became. Mission Visioning Council, get ready to invite the G.A. Moderator to Eastminster. We’re in for a treat in 2008-2009.

This evening I’ll provide an update of today’s G.A. actions. Until then...

In Christ’s service together,
Dan Schomer