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Dear Pastors and Clerks of Session,

The Prayer Room Subcommittee of the COLA Worship Committee is requesting your assistance. As you undoubtedly know by now, the 224th General Assembly, originally planned to be in Baltimore, will now be conducted in a completely virtual format. At the same time, Baltimore will still be “hosting” the event, and so our preparations in support of the meeting continue.

The Prayer Room Subcommittee is creating a virtual prayer room where commissioners, and other participants can find rest and spiritual nourishment. One of the components of this project will be two videos comprised of photos being woven together to reference and support various Scriptural passages used in the liturgy. To add a Maryland flavor for these videos, we are asking for submissions of local photos. These photos may be something of scenic beauty in your area, your church, from a floral or memorial garden, or of congregants in prayer and meditation. We are looking primarily for photos that inspire hope or joy or pride in Baltimore, and photos that make us think of God's goodness or sustaining presence.

We request that these submissions be made with the understanding that they will be displayed publicly, devoid of any copyrights. We thank you in advance for your generosity, but we would caution that while we hope to use as many photos as possible, we may not be able to use all of them. Please send your pictures electronically to Steele Glenn, at [steeleglenn50@gmail.com](mailto:steeleglenn50@gmail.com). They will be kept in a separate file, and upon completion of this project they will be deleted to protect individual privacy.

For those submitting photos please include the following wording in your accompanying email to Steele. “These photos are submitted by (individual or church name) with the understanding that they may be publicly displayed for no fees or royalties, and that they will be destroyed after utilization in the virtual 2020 General Assembly Meeting.”

Again, thanks in advance for your support of this project. Commissioners to the 224<sup>th</sup> General Assembly will be challenged in many new ways; we hope this effort will provide important spiritual support for their service to the church.

On behalf of the Committee,

RE Steele Glenn, Fallston Presbyterian Church