

4.300 COMMITTEES OF PRESBYTERY: COM, CHURCHES WITHOUT MINISTERS

4.302 Associate Minister Role When the Minister Leaves

- A. Normally an associate minister should not be offered, given nor accept any of the duties previously performed by the minister in addition to those already done by the associate, including:
1. Preaching
 2. Hospital Calling
 3. Moderating Session Meetings
 4. Meeting with Committees.

Rationale: If the associate fulfills any of these functions during the vacancy and remains as associate after a new minister is called, there will be inevitable comparisons.

- B. It will be prudent for the area representatives, session, and associate minister to negotiate a temporary change in the expectations of the associate along with appropriate changes in remuneration, but such changes should not include additional preaching or appointment as moderator on a regular basis.
- C. An associate minister is not eligible to succeed the minister in a church which they have served together G-14.0501f.