

Press Release of Classis South-West

Held on the 24th of October 2025 at the FRC Baldivis

Rev Arend Witten of Baldivis opened Classis by inviting the delegates to sing Hy 23 and sharing some thoughts from Mark 10:32-45. The disciples jockeyed for position, but this is worldly, and a call for us as church leaders to be slaves of Christ among God's people. We prayed concerning the vacancy of West Albany and that the Lord will bless Rev Dekker in his new calling at Melville. We also prayed for theological candidates Mitchell and Damon Bosveld as they finished seminary and are moving into ministry. We prayed for the church of Bunbury that the Lord will bless the purchase of new property and thanked the Lord that the family Baijal received another child.

The credentials were examined and found to be in good order and the Three Forms of Unity agreed to by all the brothers. The officers for Classis were appointed with Rev Pot as chairman, Rev Kleyn as vice and Rev Witten as clerk. At this point the Classis was constituted.

2 churches asked Classis for advice on matters of church discipline in accordance with articles 74 and 79 of the Church Order. Such advice was given.

Baldivis proposed to give opportunity for Classis to have virtual meetings if there are no extraordinary items on the agenda. Classis agreed to adopt this and add this to our Classis regulations.

Church Visit reports were tabled. As far as appointments go, Rev Kleyn was added to the list of church visitors, for the rest appointments remained the same. Bunbury was appointed as the next convening church for Classis proposed for 24 April 2026. Rev Pot closed the meeting in prayer in his role as chairman.

On behalf of Classis South-West,

Rev Cornelis Kleyn