## **Committee on Latino Hispanic Ministries**

Chairperson for 2016 – Mr. Luis Niño – ninonicoyal@aol.com

Usual Meeting Dates – third Saturday of even numbered months

Mission and Responsibilities –

To support and strengthen various Latino-Hispanic congregations, missions and ministries within the Presbytery; to assign pastors to their work and guide congregations in their mission as commissioned by the Commission on Ministry; and to assist the Presbytery to become more aware of the needs and gifts of Latino-Hispanic congregations and missions.

- 1. to work closely with Presbytery and Missional Community leadership to plan and promote programs of training, education and fellowship designed to meet the needs of Latino-Hispanic people in ministry and affirm their role as an integral part of the whole Presbytery;
- 2. to promote involvement of Latino-Hispanic people in the total program, mission and worship of the Presbytery;
- 3. to act in concert with the Commission on Ministry to establish pastoral relationships in Latino-Hispanic Congregations and to guide the ministry of those missions/fellowships which are not yet chartered as congregations of the Presbytery;
- 4. to develop and maintain open lines of communication with other ethnic groups and congregations, as well as with the general leadership of the Presbytery;
- 5. to develop ways to respond to and work with developing and emerging Latino-Hispanic constituencies within the bounds of the Presbytery;
- 6. to coordinate with the Latino-Hispanic Caucus of the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic, and with the North Carolina Latino-Hispanic Commissioned Ruling Elder Program (CRE) and/or to develop our own CRE program.
- 7. to assist the Committee for New Church Development and the Committee for Church Revitalization and Transformation to understand the needs and opportunities of the Latino-Hispanic Community;
- 8. to work with other ethnic groups and other committees of Presbytery in a common advocacy for racial justice and inclusiveness.

Special Events – Annual Joint Worship and Fellowship