

## Minutes for Leadership Team Meeting

Monday, May 10, 2010

**Attending:** Pastor Val Waibel, chair person, Bruce Dickerson, Sis Rimer, Linda Stephens, Darin Newcomer, Dawn Trapp, Matt Hoffman, Jim Mullaney, Mike Gossage, Judy and Bob Nesselroad, Nancy and Lonnie Risner, Nancy and Greg Albright, Sue Mc Peek, Ed Gebhart, and Charlene Elam.

Pastor Val for the opening devotion challenges members to draw or write their response to the Great Commission on a paper plate. Each person shared their response with the group.

**Minutes** from the last meeting were reviewed by group. A motion to approve was made by Bruce and seconded by Sue. Motion carried.

**Biznistry Ministry:** Jim made a presentation on this new ministry. A non-profit corporation named Christian Ministry Campus was formed and registered with the State of Ohio. The purpose is to expand God's Kingdom by supporting the mission of LUMC and other ministries through: Christian Principles, Strong Compassionate Leadership, Individual Growth (workers) and Stellar Service to the Community. The Biznistry (Marketplace Ministry) is designed to do ministry while at the same time funding ministries at LUMC and beyond. An ad-hoc group from the church formed and explored a list of 30 potential businesses opportunities that could be set up to support local ministries. The group selected **Kettle Corn**, a portable mobile concession used to sell the product at local festivals. The plan is to attend local festivals and sell the product under the name of **Amaizing Grace**. Members of the Board of Directors include: Jim Mullaney, Darin Newcomer, Matt Hoffman, Ed Gebhart and Pastor Valarie Waibel.

**Treasurer's Report:** The first district apportionment payment has been made. Nothing has been paid to date for conference apportionments, however a payment is planned. We were in the black for the month of April.

**Finance Chairman's Report:** Ed showed a power point presentation regarding church finances. No action required.

**Trustees Report:** Mike presented data regarding the condensate return repair required for the church which included the bids presented by three local companies. Following discussion the following motion was made by Mike: Motion to commit \$16,898 to make repairs to a failed condensate return line located below Fellowship Hall, reconnect a condensate return through the elevator machine room instead of the existing connection to the 2 inch return under Fellowship hall, and relocation of the condensate receiver to a lower elevation in the boiler room. This also included the cost for asbestos abatement of 90 square feet of vinyl asbestos tile

in Fellowship Hall and the carpet tile removal, 1/8 inch floor filler and reinstallation of carpet tiles. Motion seconded by Greg. Motion carried. Work on the project will begin June 7, 2010 and will be completed prior to June 20, 2010. Sis made a motion that the money for this project come from the restricted capital funds as recommended by the Finance chairman. Motion seconded by Matt. Motion carried.

Mike also announced there will be a church wide clean up on Saturday June 19m, beginning @ 9AM. Pastor Val suggested job lists be available so that time is used wisely.

**Nomination Committee:** Pastor Val reported all lay positions filled @ this time.

**SPRC:** Pastor Val presented Tim Crowe's report in his absence. Glen Chastain has been hired as a part time custodian working 10 hours weekly. He will be using a specific task list each day. The search continues for a Youth Leader. Applicable staff raises went in to effect May 1. Staff evaluations continue.

**Spiritual Vision Team Report:** Member of the team are: Pastor Val, Bruce Dickerson, Greg Albright, Kim Newcomer, Sis Rimer, and Cheryl Salzman. Greg reported that the team started its work in January as a continuation of the Vision Team. The method of study being used is the Wesleyan Model (Scripture, Tradition, Reason and Experience). The three starting questions for the Spiritual Vision Team were 1) What specific things can we do/plan/promote which will increase the possibility that a person will have a deeper experience of God? 2) How can we better "make disciples?" 3) How can we make "better disciples?"

**Program Staff:**

Pastor Val reported on the 2010 Church Goals. (1) We continue to have new people visiting with us each Sunday at both worship services. God is answering the prayer of bringing new souls through our doors. (2) Our Spiritual Vision team continues to meet faithfully every Monday. We are being covered in prayer for both the Spiritual Vision Team and the new Immersion Service which will begin on Wednesday Sept 1, 2010. (3) In order to reach out to the surrounding neighborhood, we continue to pray about uses for the house next door and the possibility of a new van, increasing our servant pool, and the new mission venture of the Bonwire Wesley Methodist Church in Ghana, West Africa.

New Member will join on June 27<sup>th</sup>. There are currently 3 possibilities.

On July 25, 2010 Member of the church will meet from 3 to 6PM in the Parlor to review the 2010 Church Wide Goals.

Prayer Time on Sunday will look somewhat different. Prayer requests will be read and members of the congregation, with the request in hand, will make a circle around the alter. Pastor Roy will then lead the congregation with a pastoral prayer and in the repeating of the Lord's Prayer.

Pastor Val will be on Spiritual Retreat from noon May 12 through May 13, 2010.

The Annual Conference will be from June 6, 2010 through June 10, 2010. Attending will be Pastor Val and Pastor Roy, Bruce and Dawn as Delegates at Large from the Ohio River Valley District, and Bob and Judy as Lay Delegates from LUMC.

**Youth Leader:** Pastor Val reported that the search continues for a Youth Leader. David Vernot and Linda Teague continue to teach Sunday School and Pastor Val and Linda continue with the TASC on Wednesday.

**Music Director** Charlene reported the leader for music on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays has changes in the first service. Volunteers are welcome to participate. Special music will continue during the summer. Anyone interested in presenting music for the service should contact Charlene.

### **Children's Ministry**

*Sunday School* continues using "Rock Solid" Materials

*Pathways* will be going to Harbin Park on May 26<sup>th</sup>. Middletown's Van will be used.

*Summer Shine:* Lisa Gebhart continues to do a wonderful job putting everything together.

The first installment of grant money has been received from the district.

Rays of Hope program has a possibility of 2 youth groups plus our own group.

1st meeting for Summer Shine will be June 6<sup>th</sup> at 1PM. (Dawn will have a separate meeting for the food supervisors.)

We will be feeding VBS's for 1<sup>st</sup> UMC (lunch and snack) and Park Avenue (dinner).

*J-Zone* (Jesus Zone) starts on June 14<sup>th</sup>. It is for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades. The plan is to have an active ministry with focus on applying the Great Commission and the Greatest Commandment and scripture passages. The group will meet in the youth room.

Dawn requested a vote of support for the Children's Ministry relating to the utilization of space in the building. Currently the Children's Ministry does not have a dedicated space. The pre-school currently uses the 2 classrooms upstairs for part of the week and the 2 classrooms downstairs for the other days (all classrooms rooms are not used at the same time ). Sis Rimer moved Leadership Team vote to support the Children's Ministry in investigating utilization of

space in the building with the intent to provide a dedicated space for this ministry. Motion seconded by Greg. Motion carried.

**DTM:** Advertising for the **Immersion Service** in going forward using a multi focused approach.( TV/radio ads, Business cards, Facebook, Yard signs and Methodist publication to name a few.)

The planning group is sponsoring a Classic for Christ Cruise In on July 31, 2010 from 12-4PM. A craft show is also being planned for October. Vendors will be able to rent a table and food will be served. More to come on this event at a later date. The Wednesday Night Bible Study group is studying Forgiveness and members are inviting friends in an attempt to double the number in the group.

Bruce is designing the Wednesday Night Worship Services for the “Rays of Hope” participants in July. He will be preaching here at Lindenwald on July 4 and August 14, 2010 and singing June 20th. Seminary will be completed for the year on May 30, 2010. Office hours continue to be Monday and Wednesday 2-4P.M. and his day off is Thursday

**UMW:** Judy reported the women will have a book and bake sale on the same day as the UMM Yard Sale.

**UMM:** Pastor Val reported Mike Gossage was the speaker for the men’s breakfast this month. The Yard sale will be on June 12, 2010.

**Mission/ Evangelism Team:** Nancy reported signs, to be placed out in the neighborhood, are being made for the Community Meal. Each month the team communicates the message of Christ in a different way at each place setting. The team is currently investigating ways to “Bring the Message” to other community events sponsored by the church.

Sis reported members of the van committee were unable to meet. A list of questions (submitted by Bruce) that they will be considering are attached. The committee will report its finding to the Mission and Evangelism committee.

**IT Team:** No meeting this month

Meeting adjourned @ 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Judy Nesselroad