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AUMC COUNCIL MINUTES

11-14-13

Attending: Stan Woodle, Sylvia Page, Beth Davis, Rachel Dawsey, Gary Altman, Don Hopson, Glenda Hopson, Heather Hendrick, Sara Whitner, David Parker, Charles Dawsey, Derrick Dawsey, Darrell Ricketts, Ken Chandler, Preacher Heustess, Peachey Jordan, Pam Dyson, Dixie Cox, Steve Weisen.

After calling meeting to order and praying, Stan read Mark 12:28--What is greatest commandment? Stan commented that it is difficult for the church to be in one accord.

Minutes presented & after Sylvia noted that the spelling of Veteran's Day speaker was incorrect: correct spelling Kem. Pam motioned to accept; Darrell second.

Missions-Don-church will be participating in Operation Christmas Child (Shoebox)---shoebboxes must be in by 11/26/13. Church will have an Angel Tree; Don will contact teachers from area schools for families in need. Angel Tree will be set up first Sunday in Dec. Information will be in church bulletin for both events.

Evangelism-Gary shared that his daughter, Sara, who attends Charleston Southern has an opportunity to participate in an outreach singing in Spain in the Summer 2014. Gary would like to host a singing at the church with a meal that he would provide. Sara would sing, and church choir could participate and some of Sara's friends would also sing. A love offering could be taken to help fund Sara's trip. Darrell motioned to have the event and Don seconded.

Evangelism report-Gary requested that each council member host a cottage prayer meeting in Nov. with at least 3 people) Pray for each other church, community. Rachel Dawsey has hosted a prayer meeting.

Children's Ministry-Heather-attendance down

Youth Ministry-Dixie-Hoe Down Inflatable and lunch proceeds \$4000. Youth Sunday went well; Jackson spoke; Andrew sick & could not give his testimony. Dec 13 youth to attend Pirate's Voyage--chaperones needed. Youth will not put on Christmas program; like Little Samaritan's attendance down.

Family Ministries-Pam-Trunk or Treat went well; 11/17 Thanksgiving meal

Sunday School-Wes-no report

UMM-David-Next meeting 11/14; meet at church to go to Dry Dock

UMW-Beth-meeting 11/7; last project for year; Luminaries at Contada

Older Adult Ministry-Beth-last month to Calabash, NC; 11/19 Southern Christmas Show; 12/17 Lunch at church, 11:30am

Music-Sylvia-Veteran's Day Sunday 11/10; Christmas Contada 12/8---encouraged attendance.

Charles Dawsey suggested the phone tree be reactivated--he will volunteer to help if Darrell will instruct. He wants Peachey to email bulletin

Trustees-Darrell-fluorescent lights in fellowship hall changed; trim work, paint & rot damage around windows; painting should be done next wk. Trustees will meet in next couple wks to set 2014 goals.

SPRC-Pat-meeting Sunday, 11/10 at 6pm

Budget approved

Finance-Charles-Operating acc't \$22,000 (rounded); Building fund-\$153,052-- \$22,000 in repairs to be deducted --Charles reminded everyone how important it is to meet our budget--\$7000 deficit at present but bills have been paid. It was shared that church had been presented with certificates of apportionment giving for 2011-2012 by Richard Knight.

Beth Davis took opportunity to share that 12/31 would be her and Frank's last day cleaning church and she knows with the Lord's help she will be able to forgive those that she feels hurt her and Frank's feelings. She is thankful through Bible Study and Preacher's sermons she has been helped.

Preacher Heustess-asked for information on events for Christmas routine, Advent, Christmas Eve, and decorating. He shared that he hears many pitiful situations each wk and donations are appreciated for the Helping Hands Fund. He commended Peachey on her work with people as they come in.

Stan would like for council to consider the safety issue of church, locked doors during worship hr. Possibility of a safety committee--falls under Trustees. Gary concerned that doors should not be locked--we should not succumb to this world.

Don expressed his concerned for lack of attendance--Gary reiterated need for cottage prayer meetings and as we pray, attendance, budget, etc will be taken care of.

Darrell disappointed that some family members of the Saints were not notified so that they could have been there on All Saints Sunday. Darrell had ran in to one family member at Food Lion and that member had not been notified. Preacher did not know family connections---Stan asked Preacher if he needed help. There is a concern that the Preacher has too many out of church responsibilities. Stan encouraged Preacher to ask for help if needed. Heather motioned for meeting to adjourn and Charles seconded.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenda Hopson
Recording Secretary

**AUMC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 9, 2013**

The Church Council met on September 9, 2013; attending: Stan Woodle, Betty Peavy, Sylvia Page, Beth Davis, Don Hopson, Heather Hendrick, Glenda Hopson, Dixie Cox, Pam Dyson, Sara Whitner, Preacher Heutess, Carlisle Dawsey, Steve Weisen, Ken Chandler, Rachel Dawsey, Pat Parker, Darrell and Lisa Ricketts, David Parker, Keith Edwards, Brenda Alvarez, and Charles Dawsey.

After calling the meeting to order Stan read the definition for "calling" from the Bible Dictionary. He also read in Matthew that "many are called but few are chosen." We are called by God and must do the best we can to fulfill the calling.

Preacher Heutess prayed.

A correction to the previous minutes was noted: Sarra Whitner and Beth Davis names were to be added to those attending. Darrell motioned to accept with correction and Charles second.

MISSIONS: Don ---upcoming mission trip to West Va planned for Sept. 27-29--emphasis will be linens, blankets, bedding and winter clothes. The team will furnish breakfast on Saturday and items will be given away after.

Food is needed for Food Banks at Grace Baptist Temple and Pisgah UMC. First Baptist Church has a Give and Get program to help those in need.

EVANGELISM: Gary emailed he is unable to attend; no report; he is encouraging members to have a cottage prayer meeting between now and 12-14.

Pat Parker promoted "Grace Unplugged" Oct. 4; a Christian based movie

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY Heather: Little Samaritans looking at having a Christmas program; food menu changed from a meal to snacks and the time from 5pm to 6pm

YOUTH: Dixie Youth did Backpacks and prayer for the schools; the Youth will be in charge of Inflatables at the Hoe Down on the 21st. Youth Sunday will be the 29th: Jackson Woodle will speak and Andrew Lovell will give his testimony.

FAMILY MINISTRIES: Pam---Family night with Nick Burton was good; upcoming events; 9/22 "Tailgate Family Night"---Oct. Trunk or Treat; Nov. Thanksgiving Luncheon

OLDER ADULT: Beth-- 9-17 Lunch at church; 10-15 Holden's tomatoes & eat at Calabash; 11-19 Charlotte Southern Christmas & 12-17 Lunch at church

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Wes no report

UMM: David---this Thursday with meal and devotion

UMW: Beth---10/3 dinner at Sara J's; November--regular meeting

MUSIC: Sylvia---11-10 Veterans' Program---Speaker Ken Thomas from Macadonia UMC

At this point Darrell motioned that meeting go in to Executive Session & Charles seconded---once discussion ended Darrell moved to close Executive session and return to regular meeting; Charles seconded.

TRUSTEES: Darrell-old parsonage sold; there have been good comments on the new sign; leak in office fixed; work on outside (paint and replace rotting boards); upgrade security lighting; water meter moved, HTC pole gone; discussed replacing lights; Bryant property--house and lot \$45,000.00---future projects: Roof---carpeting; tile in bathrooms & AC in choir.

FINANCE: Charles--reviewed details of proposed budget: Carlisle motioned to accept and Pat seconded---Carried

Other business: Pam motioned to change SS time to summer time hrs; motioned removed when Charles suggested that the people be polled to get an idea of what the majority would like.

PREACHER: The preacher mentioned a new Ministries Compensation Form and suggested that members attend training to learn how it is to be filled out.

Motion to adjourn.

Carried

Respectfully submitted;

Glenda Hopson

Recording Secretary

Sept - 9, 2013

AUMC CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 6, 2013

The Church Council met on May 6, 2013; those in attendance: Stan Woodle, Steve Weisen, Don Hopson, Heather Hendrick, Glenda Hopson, Gary Altman, Charles Dawsey, Darrell Ricketts, Beth Davis, Betty Peavy, Sylvia Page Keith Edwards, Sara Whitner, Rachel Dawsey, David Parker, Pat Parker, Derrick Dawsey, Ken Chandler, and Wayne Chestnut.

Steve Weisen opened meeting with prayer. Stan Woodle read Psalms 91 and asked all to reflect on their personal relationship with God our Saviour.

The minutes from March 4, 2013 minutes were presented and Stan called for a motion to accept. Charles motioned to accept and Darrell second. Motion carried.

MISSIONS: Don Hopson expressed his thanks for the support for the Guatemala Mission Trip that he and Pastor Tony participated in. He shared how the funds were used and the work done to the hospital there. Some money was left over and will be used to buy much needed medicine that they couldn't buy there. The medicine will be purchased here and Pastor Ray Smith's daughter and her husband will take the medicine when they go to Guatemala this summer/fall.

The next West VA mission trip is scheduled for May 17-19. 15 people have signed up to go--the mission emphasis will be food, summer clothes, and linen. Pastor Tony is donating a bunk bed. There are plans to have a song service and cookout on Saturday night.

EVANGELISM: Gary Altman stated that committee meets on Sunday mornings for prayer seeking God's direction. Gary has hosted a cottage prayer meeting and said others are welcome and encouraged to do so. He stated the committee's prayer focus is to pray for one another and for the church and to pray for God's direction. There is nothing planned at this time but there is an idea for a Lay Witness Weekend (weekend of testimonies, worship, prayer and seeking God's direction and reaching out to others).

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Heather Hendrick--children had Easter Program and it went well. Attendance at Little Samaritans has been very low--there has been a discussion to cancel during summer because children have so many other things going on (beach, ballgames, trips, etc).

YOUTH: Dixie Cox--Youth Sunday with Grace Baptist Temple youth was successful. Youth will recognize Graduates and host breakfast for them. Youth are busy and there is consideration for time off during summer months--participation has been low. Next Youth Sunday youth will possibly put on skit but only AUM Youth.

FAMILY MINISTRIES: Pam Dyson--things going pretty good. working on play *Adam's Apple* written by Wayne Chestnut. There will be apple pie and ice cream afterwards. Next Family night will be May 26 and Jay Byrd Harris singing with Chicken Bog.

OLDER ADULT MINISTRIES: Beth Davis--May 21st to Riverbank Zoo; June 18 Lunch at church,

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Wes Lovell--no report

UMM: David Parker--Mother's Day Breakfast 9AM May 12; Men's regular scheduled meeting Thursday, May 9, 7PM

UMW: Beth Davis--June 2 Salad luncheon, proceeds will help youth who attend a Christian camp; June 16 Father's Day Breakfast; June 17 prepare meal for 100 Salkehatchie workers

MUSIC: Sylvia Page--Thankful for choir. She expressed her concern that people are on committees that rarely attend church and these people are making decisions that affect her/our church; need to be more diligent when asking people to serve.

STAFF PARISH: Pat Parker--new preacher and his wife toured parsonage--the announcement will be made May 19 or after--after conference:

Pastor appreciation dinner scheduled for June 24 after church; moving day June 26

The Staff Parish met with new pastor and his wife; DS ran the meeting and SP hosted with a meal. Job descriptions for Church Secretary and Sexton needs to be reviewed--what is expected of them.

TRUSTEES: Darrell Ricketts---issues---contract extended for sale of old parsonage; Carlisle working hard---reduced sale price to \$99,900.00. Will entertain offers. Sanctuary air conditioning duct work needs attention: (deteriorated and collapsed in areas). Lee Lewis looked in to the problem--three bids were given. Lee Lewis awarded bid. Memorial Policy being reviewed.

FINANCE: Operating Account \$21,000.00; Building Fund \$118,00.00 less \$30,000.00---great collection \$10,000.00.

AUMC CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
3-4-13

The Church Council met on 3-4-13; those in attendance: Heather Hendrick, Glenda Hopson, Beth Davis, Betty Peavy, Sylvia Page, Keith Edwards, Peachey Jordan, Sara Whitner, Darrell Ricketts, Rachel Dawsey, Stan Woodle, Steve Weisen, Charles Dawsey, David Parker, Pat Parker, Derrick Dawsey, Ken Chandler and Wayne Chestnut.

Stan read Colossians 1: 9-14 and reminded us to trust in God's Word and His promises.

The **Minutes** from 1-7-13 meeting were presented: Charles Dawsey motioned to accept as read Darrell Ricketts second.

MISSIONS: No report; Don Hopson on mission trip to Guatemala.

EVANGELISM: No report

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Heather Hendrick reported that Little Samaritans would be presenting an Easter Program

YOUTH: no report

FAMILY MINISTRIES: no report

OLDER ADULT MINISTRIES: Beth Davis reported that 13 people went to Webster's in Mullins and good food and fellowship had by all. They will be meeting at the church in March.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: No report

UMM: David Parker reported that the Valentine's Supper was a success

UMW: Beth Davis reported that with the men's help that the Valentine's Supper was a great success and that over \$1,400.00 was raised and since the supper there had been donations and the total is over \$1600.00. She also mentioned that on March 17, the women will have a Chicken Casserole lunch after church with funds raised to be used to Help Stop Hunger

MUSIC: Sylvia Page reported that the choir was working on music for the Easter season.

STAFF PARISH: Pat Parker shared that Preacher Tony would be moving. He expected to receive the profile on the new preacher next week.

TRUSTEES: Darrell Ricketts reported that the fence was up at the old parsonage and that comments had been favorable. He reported that Carlisle Dawsey said there had been some interest shown in the old parsonage but no offers at this time. There is still a little furniture in the house to be moved and that we should be getting it ready for an Open House. He stated that Preacher Tony did purchase the old computer and that there is a new one in the study.

FINANCE: Charles Dawsey reported Operating Budget at \$27,643.07; the Building Account \$113,962.05. A former member, George D Sons, Jr. willed \$10,000.00 to the church.

PREACHER TONY was not present---he was on mission trip to Guatemala.

With no further business motion was made to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenda Hopson
Recording Secretary

AUMC CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

1-7-13

The Church Council met on 1-7-13; those in attendance: Brenda Alvarez, Ken Chandler, Dixie Cox, Charles Dawsey, Derrick Dawsey, Rachel Dawsey, Pam Dyson, Heather Hendrick, Don Hopson, Glenda Hopson, Wes Lovell, Sylvia Page, David Parker, Pat Parker, Betty Peavy, Darrell Ricketts, Lisa Ricketts, Steve Weisen, Sara Whitner, Stan Woodle, Gary Altman, Peachey Jordan, and Pastor Tony Adams.

Pat Parker opened meeting with prayer. Stan Woodle read Romans 8:22-27 and reminded us that the Holy Spirit intercedes on our behalf knowing our motives, intentions, and our thoughts.

After sharing his appreciation to those that attended the meeting Stan called for any Old Business. Darrell Ricketts motioned to accept minutes as presented; Don Hopson second. Motion carried.

MISSIONS: Don Hopson expressed his appreciation for all that helped with the Angel Tree--36 children were helped at Christmas; next mission trip is tentatively scheduled for May. He will be looking into ways to help with local mission projects; any suggestions and ideas are welcome.

EVANGELISM: Committee has not met at this time; Gary Altman will be sending out letters to committee members in next couple of weeks.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Lisa Ricketts shared the need for children to participate.

YOUTH: Dixie Cox shared there were 22 members at MYF on Sunday, Jan. 6. The Youth are sponsoring Souper Bowl Sunday, Jan. 27. Next trip for Youth Feb. 15-17 for a Methodist Retreat in Columbia, and the youth are planning a Shut-In Saturday Feb 23 with plans to help our Shut-ins with chores, etc.

FAMILY MINISTRIES: Pam Dyson: a planning meeting is scheduled for Monday, Jan, 14. Committee is open to ideas and suggestions.

OLDER ADULT MINISTRIES: Rachel Dawsey spoke for Beth Davis (who was at the funeral home because of the death of her aunt). Dates on the calendar and Beth is in process of planning for upcoming events.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Wes Lovell has a concern that SS is not really growing and concerned as to what to do to encourage and build attendance.

UMM: David Parker shared that the Ladies night in December was a success and enjoyed by all. Regular meeting for men would be Thursday, Jan 10 at church with supper and devotion and invited all men to attend.

UMW: Rachel Dawsey said next meeting would be Thursday night, 10th, at Beth Davis' home at 6:30pm. She stated that the MW would team with MM to put on the Valentine's dinner (2/14)--cost of dinner would be \$20 and proceeds would go to the Guatemala mission trip to help buy emfamil and pampers. Money to be given to team to buy supplies there.

MUSIC: Sylvia Page: choir practice started Jan 2, same stuff just more of it. Practice for Easter, Patriotic and Christmas.

STAFF PARISH: Pat Parker: nothing to report.

TRUSTEES: Darrell Ricketts--Darrell Chairman of Trustees--sell of old parsonage--need to get old furniture out of house and get house in order for an Open House. The trustees will be addressing the issue of a barrier for the property line to keep church members from parking in driveway or too close to old parsonage. Rail type fencing and/or shrubbery.

It was presented that the preacher would like to purchase the computer in the Pastor's Study. A motion was made to sell the computer to the Preacher and purchase a new one for the study; Pam seconded, motion carried.

FINANCE: Charles Dawsey stated that we were short in our budget for the year. But bills were paid, apportionments made and mortgage of parsonage made.

The balance in Building account \$102,261.00 and the balance in the operating account \$34,835.00. Charles reminded the council of the upcoming audits in the next few weeks and that there would be reminders in the bulletin.

PREACHER TONY: Preacher Tony shared his concern for the SS program--stating that we needed to reinvite people to church, make telephone calls and send letters. His focus for the new year will see the ministry of AUMC prosper and to make disciples.

With no further business Stan reminded members that Gary Altman wanted members to pray for him and asked that we have a season of prayer will all those that felt led to pray for Gary to do so. But called for a motion to close meeting: Darrell motioned to close and Gary seconded.

A season of prayer closed the meeting. Respectfully submitted: Glenda Hopson, Recording Secretary