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The Berea UMC Council met on April 26, 2015 in the church sanctuary with Dorine Locklear presiding. Joyce Williams was asked to give the opening prayer and afterwards read the minutes from the previous meeting. Betty Locklear gave a report on missions. Twelve care packages had been delivered this year, two love offerings in the amounts of \$100 and \$150 have been given, \$65 was sent to Hospice as a memorial and two funeral flowers were sent. Betty also reported that she had mailed 40 cards from the Helping Hands Card ministry since the first of the year. Concerning the food pantry, a suggestion was made by Betty that missions buy perishable items for families when the need arises; items such as meats, bread, milk, etc. Griffin Driggers made a motion that the church buy a \$100 gift card for Betty to purchase these food items and Tommy Williams seconded the motion. The card will be reloaded each time it's depleted. Everyone was in agreement and the motion was accepted. Ann Snuggs had a request for the church to purchase some new brooms and other cleaning supplies and also a cabinet to keep supplies in. Griffin made an offer to donate a cabinet which he and Tommy will place in the men's bathroom. Dorine proposed that

the front doors be restrained, but after some consideration, it was decided by the council to paint the doors. Tommy will bring this proposal to the Board of Trustees. A suggestion was made that flowers be sent to any church member or persons that regularly attend Berea whenever that person is in the hospital and everyone was in agreement. Pastor Emily mentioned Homecoming which will be October 11th this year. She asked if there was anyone we would like to invite to bring the message on that day. Betty will ask Keith Bowen, a former member, about preaching that Sunday. If for some reason he can't, Pastor Emily will bring the message. The Council also agreed to have revival at Berea on November 8th, 9th, and 10th at 7:00 each evening. Light refreshments will be served on the last night. Neville Locklear, Jr. Gave the treasurer's report and everyone was given a handout with deposits and expenses for the church that covered the last three years. He pointed out that our mission donations have had a positive effect on our apportionment payments made to conference. With this in mind, he suggested that each year we have a project similar to the Ark, but maybe on a local level such as Epworth Children's Home, Hospice, etc.

The Berea UMC Council met on August 21, 2016 with Pastor Emily presiding over the meeting. Those others that were present were Guffin Diggins, Hilda Hill, Elise Lordey and Joyce Williams. Hilda opened the meeting with prayer. The purpose of the meeting was to set the budget for 2017 and to approve the pastor's salary & reimbursement acct. The Council approved the budget in ~~the~~ the absence of the treasurer. Pastor Emily has agreed for her salary to go back to the minimum salary for a local pastor because of financial problem at Berea UMC. Because there won't be an increase in salary, it was agreed by everyone to help the pastor with her purchase of professional books.

Charge conference is on September 18th and will be at Berea this year. The pastor asked that Council come up with an interesting presentation of what Berea has been doing this year and our vision for the new year. Hilda agreed to work on this. Nominations for positions were named and were agreed upon. Guffin recommended that we ask Jim

Roger preach at Homecoming this year.
He will get in touch with him
Homecoming in October 9.

With ~~no~~ no other business to
discuss the pastor closed the
meeting with prayer.

The Berea UMC Council met on July 10, 2016. Dorine Locklear called the meeting to order and asked Neville Locklear, Jr. to open with prayer. Joyce Williams read the minutes from the previous Council meeting. Ann Swigg then addressed the Council with some concerns that involved decision made at Conference. This issue had been weighing heavy on her mind and after much prayer, she has decided to remove her name from Berea UMC membership and asked the Council to pray for her. Neville, Jr. gave the church's financial report. The Savings acct balance was at \$1200.63 and the checking acct balance was \$68,101. The church had raised \$986 for our quarterly mission and a check for \$1000 was sent to The Pee Dee Coalition.

There was a suggestion made by Pastor Emily to proceed with getting the church incorporated. Griffin Swigg agreed to help Jean with this and to let Jean know that the Council is in support of doing this as soon as possible.

Neville, Locklear, Sr. reported that the Sunday School had \$687.22 in its account.

Pastor Emily told Council about a feature "I call now" which Trinity UMC has where the phone feature notifies congregation members of meetings, prayer requests, cancellations, etc.

After discussing the benefits of this, Neville, Jr. made a motion that ~~Bever~~ Pastor Limely check into seeing what the possibility of adding Berean church members to the list and the cost of doing this. Neville, Sr. seconded the motion and the Pastor will let Council know.

The Pastor also suggested that since Christmas falls on Sunday this year, that both churches worship together. Approval was met by everyone and it was agreed to start the service at 10:30.

The Pastor had a list of duties that Ann had given her that had to be reassigned to others. These duties included oil for the candles which Dorine agreed to be in charge of, cleaning supplies should be bought by those cleaning each month, ~~and~~ Food Pantry Distribution will be taken over by Joye, Norma ^{Smith}, and Annie Jane Allen. Any receipts for purchase should be given to Neville, Jr. for reimbursement.

The Church's Mission will be for Hospice in memory of Betty Locklear, which will start on Sunday, July 17, 2016. Duffin volunteered Diane Duggen to make a poster display for our new mission. With no further

business to discuss, Neville, Sr. closed the meeting with prayer

Kitty - PPRC

Bruce - Board of Trustees

Annette Floyd

The Boer WME Church Council met on Sunday
April 17th 2016. Those in attendance were Ann Burgess, Denise
Forsberg, Bill Hill, Sandra Briggs, Elie Foster,
Dean Pate, Peter Smith, & Neelie Foster, J. + J. Jara
William. The purpose of the meeting was to designate
a mission for the next quarter. After much
discussion, it was decided to support the Pro-Dee
Coalition with our contribution. It was also
decided to send a contribution of \$275⁰⁰ to the
St. Athanasius Board foundation which is a
Conference suggestion. Sheila Foster has agreed
to make deposits for the financial matters
upon the closing of the book in M'Collama
It will be on her way to her work.
Everyone was in agreement with that, ^{and} Neelie
will make sure she gets booked. With
no further business to discuss, the meeting
was adjourned.

Next meeting will be March 3, 2018.

The Berea Umc Council met on January 14, 2018 at 3:00 in the church sanctuary. The meeting was called to order by Dorene Locklear. After welcoming everyone, she asked Sandra Driggs to open with prayer. The immediate item on the agenda was the mission for the first quarter. There were several suggestions but two were decided on: a local Wounded Warrior and Hospice of Madison County. The latter will be for the second quarter. Kitty Stott will check with the local veterans office to find out where to send the donation at the end of the quarter.

The next item was the preservation of the Bible that was donated to the church in 1939. It was decided to purchase a shadowbox that can be mounted on the wall.

Neill Locklear, Jr. gave a report on the church's finances, which are in excellent shape.

Pastor Emily Davis suggested that the PPRC of Berea ~~may~~ want a conversation with the Trinity PPRC about changing the equation of the pastor's salary because Trinity was having serious financial problems.

Neill Locklear, Sr. reported that the Sunday School has \$1400 in its treasure. The only report on the Helping Hand was that we

need more members.

Hilda Hill and Pastor Emily reaffirmed the Council that the church will have revival on March 25-27th with the pastor preaching 2 nights and Rev Wade one night.

Griffin Digger had nothing to report on disaster relief.

The Board of Trustees chairman, Jean Pate reported on several issues. The Fellowship Hall will be getting a new roof and vinyl siding. She also wants to get a list of names who have a church key. Security for the church was discussed and someone will talk to Don Allen Digger about this.

She reported that the church will be incorporated meaning that only the church's insurance company would be responsible if anyone ever got hurt on church property.

Joye Wilham reported on local mission and outreach. There have been 26 food boxes delivered for the new year and 4 Christmas dinners.

With no further business, Hilda dismissed everyone with prayer.

The Berea UMC Council met on Sunday, March 4, 2018 at 4 o'clock. Pastor Emily called the meeting to order and Neville Locklear Jr. prayed the opening prayer. After praying Neville gave the quarterly mission report thus far. The mission had already met its goal with almost a month left for donations. Marlboro County Hospice will be the mission for the second quarter. He also informed council that the roofing and siding on the Fellowship Hall is roughly \$10,000. The Food Bank has supplied three families with food and household items. Hilda Bailey asked that the piano be tuned before Easter and revival. Kitty Stott reported that Mitchell Bowen was building a shadowbox in which to store the Bible and it should be completed soon. The Board of Trustees is still checking on changing the lock on the back door and Sandra has begun to lock the front door at 9:40 on Sunday mornings. The council was also advised to be aware of visitors that we don't know. The church now has a "no backpack" rule on the table and after a motion was made and seconded, the policy was put into effect immediately. Bruce Stott readressed the issue of a peephole in the front door and possible cameras with a monitor. Pastor Emily shared a

concern of hers about membership. Hilda agreed to write a letter and send to those who attend church on a regular basis but are not members and inviting them to become members. Speaking confidentially to council members, the pastor voiced a concern about the possibility of Kathy Lockey's position at Trinity Church being terminated because of Trinity church's financial problems. They are currently paying her \$400 monthly for cleaning and \$400 a month for serving as the pastor's assistant. Council made a motion which was accepted that Berea UMC begin sharing the cost of the latter which would be \$200 monthly. Neville, Jr. will pay this quarterly. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

The Council of Berea UMC met on June 10, 2018 at 4 o'clock in the church sanctuary. Those in attendance were Neville Lockler, Sr. Dorine Lockler, Sandra Driegers, Hilda Bailey, Bruce Stott, Kelly Stott, Billy Allen, Pastor Emily Davis and Joyce Williams. Dorine called the mtg to order and Hilda prayed. First thing on the agenda was choosing a mission for the third quarter. Samaritan's Purse was voted to receive money from the third quarter. Neville, Jr. reported that the current mission had already reached its goal. He also gave a financial report saying that the church ~~was~~ ^{is} in good financial shape. Our appointments are up to date and all bills are paid. Neville, Sr. also reported that the SS is doing well financially. Also, he has terminated the Cokesbury curriculum and has ordered new curriculum for the SS class.

Hilda said that choir practice would resume probably at the end of June. Joyce reported that 7 food boxes had been delivered since the last mtg. and also read the minutes from

the first quarter mtg. Hilda said that she hasn't gotten any response from letters sent out for membership requests.

After all reports were made, Pastor Emily thanked the Council for its support and prayer. She didn't go into details about annual conference but will discuss it more at a fellowship luncheon. The Council was asked to continue praying for the Bishop and all that were involved in decision making. She then asked for new business. Beren will host P+W in Sept. Randy Bousen from Main St. Methodist will come to give his testimony and will invite his congregation to join our P+W service. Homecoming was discussed and Hilda suggested that we ask someone to have the special music on that day. She will ask a group that she is familiar with.

Neelle, Jr. agreed to ask Rev. Dickie Knight to preach on Homecoming Sunday. Pastor Emily asked how we felt about having a joint service again this

Christmas. The council agreed to talk to others in congregation and see what they think.

With no further business the mtg was adjourned.

we've had
enough!!

The Berea UMC Council met for its quarterly meeting on Oct. 28, 2018 at 7 o'clock in the church sanctuary. Those present were Dorie Lobbler who presided over the meeting, Neville Lobbler, Sr., Elsie Lobbler, Sandra Duggen, Kitty Stott, Jean Pate, Neville, Jr., Patty Emily, + Joyce Williams.

~~Neville, Jr.~~ opened with prayer. The following reports were given:

- ① Board of Trustees - Jona Power was contacted to do some repairs from Hurricane Florence damages.
- ② Local Mission - 3 Good Party boxes delivered
- ① Also, a new battery for the vacuum cleaner was purchased
- ③ S.S. - \$1400 in S.S. treasury. The new SS curriculum is liked by the class and Neville will order books for the next quarter.
- ④ Church financial report - a total of \$5,947 has already been given to the quarterly mission. Also reported that ^{there} will be an increase on Berea's payment toward the pastor's salary starting in January. The church is financially sound at the present with all obligations being met; the next mission goal is for Flood Relief.
- ③ Helping Hand - planning a Christmas outing in place of a meeting

After reports were given, the Pastor informed Council

That there were some important meetings being held to discuss the future of the Methodist denomination. One such meeting was in Naxos, the evening the Traditional Plan was agreed to the One Church Plan. She will continue to keep me informed on the outcome of these meetings.

Homecoming for 2019 was discussed and a suggestion was made that we form a Homecoming committee. There was also a suggestion that we have Homecoming catered.

There were queries and concerns expressed as we decided to discuss it more at a later date.

Year questioned the enrollment figures on the board. Council was informed that the roll book was being updated by Willy Bond & Joyce volunteered to help with this task.

~~1~~ The Church Christmas Program was scheduled for Dec. 9th at 6 o'clock.

- 20 Thanksgiving Service on November 18th
- 23 Joint Service for both church at church on Dec 23 at 10 o'clock.

With no further business the Council meeting was closed with prayer.

When
later to
Homecoming

The Lees UMC Church Council met on Jan. 27, 2019 for its regular quarterly meeting. Those members present were Dawn Lochler, Neville Lochler, Sr., Guffin Duggan, Norma Smith, Jean Pate, Bruce Stott, Kitty Stott, Neville Lochler, Jr., Billy Allen, Hilda Bailey, Sarah Duggan, Jose Wilton & Pastor Emily. Neville, Jr. gave a brief report on the Church's previous mission and also explained the increase of our part of the pastor's salary.

- ① After some discussion the Council voted to let our 1st quarter mission be for replacing the roof of Aubrey Pate's home which was damaged by the hurricane.
- ② Norma & Jose gave a report on the Food Pantry. 5 Care Boxes had been delivered since last meeting.
- ③ The Pastor & Hilda may plan for a Revival to be held the end of summer.
- ④ Hilda asked that the jeans be turned and she will find someone who does that.
- ⑤ Neville reported that the SS had \$1900 in the treasury and everyone is still happy with the SS curriculum.
- ⑥ There were some changes made in the new year for the Helping Hands. Norma is the new President and two new members, Peter Deth & Sharon Lochler were welcomed.

⑦ Jean gave the report for the Trustees. There are several issues that need to be taken care of, such as the floor in the Fellowship Hall, the broken window in the church and the church sign. Pastor Coody suggested that those be put on hold until after the Special General Conference. With no further business to discuss, the Council metz was adjourned.

Dear Church Member(s):

The United Methodist Church Conference periodically requests individual church charges to review, update and, if necessary, to correct Membership Records/Rolls.

The vow which is taken at the time of reception into the church states 'members will faithfully participate in the ministries of the congregation by your prayers, your presence, your gifts and your service, and that members will do all possible to strengthen the ministries of the church'.

In order to comply with the request of our Conference, please advise if you wish to remain on active membership status in our records. You may respond to this request in writing or by contacting a member of the Church Council with your verbal response. The Church mailing address is shown below. If possible, please forward your reply by or before December 31, 2019.

Thank you very much for your assistance with this project.

Sincerely,

Berea United Methodist Church
3814 Berea Church Road

Berea United Methodist Church - Meeting of the Administrative Council
June 23, 2019

Present: Pastor Emily Davis, Neville Locklear, Jr., Kitty Stott, Elsie Lockey, Griffin Driggers, Norma Smith, Sandra Driggers and Hilda Bailey

Hilda prayed the opening prayer.

Pastor Emily served as Chairperson and opened the meeting with requests for committee and/or church activity reports, which were as follows:

Hilda noted that the names and addresses are ready for letters to be sent concerning membership and it was decided that she and Pastor Emily will meet the second week of July to compile the letter.

Griffin advised that the church had purchased a window unit air conditioner for a community member the previous week and said that he and Neville, Jr. had discussed the need to increase the approved amount for purchasing a 6,000 BTU unit from \$200 to \$250. Motion was made by Hilda to approve this increase, seconded by Kitty and carried unanimously.

Neville Jr. gave an update on the church's financial status; all apportionments and monthly bills and a check for \$1756.00 was sent to the Community Kitchen, which was our Missions project during the last quarter.

Sandra reported that several from our church are volunteering at the Community Kitchen in Bennettsville every 3rd Monday, and that we served 93 people on June 18.

Pastor Emily then asked for suggestions for our next quarterly mission project. Hilda noted that Joyce had suggested we sponsor Samaritan's Purse, and Neville Jr. advised that he had considered that as well. Pastor Emily suggested that we look into donating to Aldersgate, which are Methodist homes for mentally handicapped and special needs adults. Griffin suggested that we provide school supplies for underprivileged children and to help teachers ensure their classrooms have sufficient supplies for the upcoming school year.

Following discussion of each suggestion, it was decided that our next quarterly mission will be Samaritan's Purse, which was approved unanimously, but, that we would also participate in the other projects that were suggested. We will observe Aldersgate Sunday on August 11, with a special offering being taken, and we will ask Sharon Locklear and Kathy Lockey to assist us with determining what supplies might be needed for either children or teachers and we will ask church members to bring items from the lists each Sunday during the month of August.

The final item noted was an update by Neville Jr. concerning the 2.5% increase in the pastor's salary in the upcoming year, which was approved at the recent PPRC meeting. He also informed us that our apportionments will increase during the upcoming fiscal year, which was expected due to budget changes made during the recent Annual Conference. A motion was made by Kitty, seconded by Sandra, and carried unanimously to approve the increase in the Pastor's salary.

Neville Jr. then closed the meeting with prayer.



Membership Letters - Mailed by Berea Admin
Council - October 2019

Wilburn Bowen

Betty, Bobby, Sr., Bobby, Jr. and Brian
Gibson

Cynthia Gibson Outlaw

Margaret McColl Blades

Geneva Ramsey

Polly Creech

Sadie Deans

Wanda, Erin and Haley Lockey

Tricia Locklear

Jimmy Locklear

Robert Mitchell Locklear

Eric Glenn Locklear

Ellen Jane Locklear

Tabitha Warriax

Jeffrey Gail Locklear

Angus Yates Locklear

Annette McLean

Mary Ann Patterson

Walter and Deborah Petit

Alene Roller

Elmer Smith

The Berea Church Council met on October 6, 2019. Those present were Pastor Emily Davis, Neville Locklear, Sr., Dorine Locklear, Margaret LaBean, Sandra Driggers, Hilda Bailey, Griffin Driggers, Norma Smith, Kitty Stott, Bruce Stott, Elsie Lockey, Neville Locklear, Jr., and Billy Allen.

Griffin prayed the opening prayer.

Dorine asked for committee reports which were as follows:

Griffin reported that an air condition unit was purchased for someone in the community.

Joyce reported on the Food Pantry. Six families had been helped in the last quarter.

Neville, Sr. Reported that the SS had over \$2000 in their treasury.

Neville, Jr. Gave a report on the church's finances. A check for \$1640 was sent to Samaritan's Purse from the third quarter mission. There was also a check sent to Epworth Children's Home in the amount of \$744 and to Aldersgate for \$534.

Board of Trustees assured that the cracked toilet in the women's bathroom would be repaired by Homecoming Sunday. Dorine suggested that hand rails be installed going into the choir and Bruce agreed to take care of that issue.

Sandra reported that the Helping Hands had the new Chrismon ornaments and the ladies would be meeting to paint them. It was also reported that the Helping Hands was founded in 1959, thus making it 60 years old.

New business: Sandra suggested that we hire someone to clean the church each week starting in January 2020. Kitty stated that she was

interested in being hired. A motion was made to pay her \$100 a month. The motion was seconded, voted on, and accepted.

Hilda reported on membership. A letter has been drawn up by Hilda to be mailed to those members who no longer attend church at Berea UMC requesting their permission to remove their names from the membership book. The letter was read to Council along with the names to whom it will be mailed. The letters will go out on October 7, 2019. If there is no response within a two year period, the name will be removed.

New mission: Salkehatchie Outreach was a suggestion as well as Jimmy Swaggert Ministries. Hilda made a motion for the fourth quarter mission be Salkehatchie and after being seconded was voted on and accepted. Also, a check for \$200 will be sent to Jimmy Swaggert Ministries in honor of Norma Smith.

Pastor Emily announced that Debbie Polston would be the delegate for 2020 annual conference, and Sandra and Kitty would serve as alternates. The Pastor also named those that were nominated to serve on committees in 2020, and Council accepted the nominations. This concluded the meeting.

Berea UMC Council Meeting

January 26, 2020

Present: Pastor Emily Davis, Neville Locklear, Sr., Dorine Locklear, Neville Locklear, Jr., Griffin Driggers, Sandra Driggers, Hilda Bailey, Norma Smith, Kitty Stott, Elsie Lockey, and Joyce Williams.

Dorine led the meeting and asked Pastor Emily to open with prayer.

New mission for first quarter: a motion was made, and seconded and accepted to help three families in the community. Five hundred dollars will be given to each family. They are Percy and Virginia Smith, Betty and Bobby Gibson and Roy and Molly Prevatte.

Suggestions for next mission were: House of Hope for Men, Methodist Men's Ramp Mission, Epworth, and Aldersgate.

Griffin has a wheelchair that he will bring and leave at the church.

Dorine turned the meeting over to Pastor Emily, who talked about forming a Safety Team at church to insure the safety of everyone on Sunday mornings. She will have a meeting with those who have concealed weapon permits and want to bring their gun to church.

Joyce closed the meeting with prayer.

6-23-20 Berea Admin Council Meeting

Attendees: Pastor Emily, Neville Jr., Joyce, Norma,
Biley, Annie Jane, Neville Sr., Dorine,
Sandra, ~~Joyce~~, Heidi, Kitty, Griffin

Pastor Emily - Gal. 5: 22 -
Neville Jr. - Prayer

§ Packet of info. concerning resuming in-person
worship was discussed/reviewed with
a question/answer session following.

After the lay-out of the church is reviewed,
Members of Admin. Council will contact
Church/congregation to poll their views
on returning to church under the
restrictions listed in the packet (under
"Prepare" section).

Pastor Emily, Neville Jr., Griffin, Heidi will
meet @ the church @ 5PM on ~~Thurs.~~ Wed.
June 24th to look @ a lay-out plan for
seating.

The Council will meet again on Monday
June 29 @ 6PM to give reports on progress,
and to decide on a date to start the re-opening
process, if applicable.

Meeting closed w/ prayer by Heidi

6-2-20 Meeting of Board WMC Council
Advisi.

Attendees: Kate Smiley, Neville G., Joyce, Norma, Denise,
Neville G., Sandra, Heidi, Beely, Deen, Kitty,
Steve

(1) Agenda: I John 4:1-19 - Kate Smiley
(2) Prayers - Neville G.

(3) Pastor Smiley explained Packets from WMC
St. Conf. to be read as guidelines, to re-open the
Churches. Possible to have Church on June 14 if
we can meet these guidelines. ~~Meeting~~ ~~meeting~~
if ~~we can~~ ~~meet~~ ~~these~~ ~~guidelines~~. ~~Meeting~~ ~~meeting~~ ~~is~~ ~~to~~ ~~decide~~ ~~if~~
we can safely re-open on June 14, after reviewing
the guidelines, she explained the conference's stand
and asked us to read through the packet individually
and group discussion to follow.

Heidi advised that Syntra, Anne had made
Arrangements to ensure our P.H. system is acting
to enable our door service if we decide to go that
route.

Neville G. raised a concern about our not being able
to mitigate the air conditioning in the sanctuary, as well
as citing the issue of the cleaning requirements.

Pastor Emily noted that another ~~area~~ area of concern is that a shield will need to be placed in front of the pulpit before we re-open the Church for service again.

Neville G. advised Church is ^{currently} in good financial standing, titles have been sent to the treasurer over the past 3 months. Also Conference will relieve the Churches of their requirement to pay health care benefits for the pastors for the months of July & August. Conference will compensate the vendors in behalf of the Churches.

Some expressed concern that the Congregation would decline. ~~After discussion, decision was made unanimously to delay opening Church for a while longer.~~

After further discussion, motion made by Neville G. that we vote to delay Church re-opening until 5th of July, and meet on June 23rd to discuss that possibility. Vote was unanimous to meet June 23rd. ~~Relinquish~~

~~Meet again on June 23 to discuss~~



Joyce Williams <bjwilliams0421@gmail.com>

Berea UMC AdminCouncil Meeting - Oct 17 2021

1 message

Hilda Bailey <calliesgirl14@gmail.com>

Sun, Oct 17, 2021 at 5:50 PM

To: Joyce Williams <bjwilliams0421@gmail.com>

There was a 'called' meeting of the Berea UMC Admin Council on October 17, 2021. The purpose of the meeting was to review and approve a list of names to be moved from Active Member Status to Inactive Member Status. These individuals are those who have not attended services or participated in church activities within the last two years, and who, according to the Book of Discipline, should be moved to Inactive status. Those attending were Pastor Emily, Norma Smith, Annie Jane Allen, Neville Locklear Sr, Dorine Locklear, Hilda Hill, Sandra Driggers, Griffin Driggers, Elsie Locklear, and Neville Locklear, Jr. Neville Sr opened the meeting with prayer. Hilda then addressed the meeting, reminding the council that letters had been sent to 36 individuals in October 2019 concerning membership status. She advised that 9 responses were requests to be removed from Membership status, 13 individuals made no response, and 14 responded that they intended to return to Berea and support the church and its ministry, however, they had not done so within the two year guideline established by the Book of Discipline concerning Active Membership. Following some discussion, the names were read (shown below) and a motion made by Griffin Driggers, seconded by Sandra Driggers, and voted upon unanimously to move the list to Inactive Status. It was also stated that each individual on the list will receive a letter from the Administrative Council informing them of the reasons behind the change in status, but they will be welcomed and included in the church family at any time they are able to attend again. They will also be informed as to the steps to become an Active Member in future, should they wish to do so. Those who will be moved to Inactive Status are: Brian Driggers, Gidget Driggers, Bobby Gibson, Sr., Betty Gibson, Bobby Gibson, Jr., Cynthia Gibson, Brian Gibson, Wanda Lockey, Erin Lockey, Haley Lockey, Tricia Locklear, Mitchell Locklear, GlennLocklear, Ellen Locklear, Tabitha Warriax, Jeffrey Locklear, Yates Locklear, Gerald Locklear, Margaret McColl, Walter Petit, Deborah Petit, Jay Petit, Polly Ramsey, Geneva Ramsey, Alene Roller, Kenneth Smith, Annette Oxendine.

The Berea UMC Admin Council held its quarterly meeting on April 3, 2022. Those attending were Pastor Emily, Billy Allen, Hilda Bailey, Kitty Stott, Neville Locklear, Sr., Dorine Locklear, Neville Locklear, Jr. Griffin Driggers, Norma Smith, and Joyce Williams. Dorine opened by asking Neville, Jr. to have the opening prayer. Hilda addressed the Council by announcing that choir practice would start back the first Wednesday in May at 7:00 and would continue each Wednesday after that. Pastor Emily will also restart Hump Day on the first Wednesday in May at 6:00 p.m. In Board of Trustees concerns, Griffin asked that we look at the church sign at the store to see if it needs retouching. We will report our findings back to him. Neville, Sr. reported that the SS treasury was financially stable with a balance of approximately \$2500. Joyce asked that some guidelines be set as to whom flowers arrangements for funeral services should be sent. After some discussion, it was decided to leave as is at the discretion of the flower committee. There will be a canned meat drive held on May 8th and this will be announced in the bulletin. Pastor Emily reminded Council of Easter Service at the cross at 8:00 a.m. with breakfast following in the Fellowship Hall. She also invited Berea folks to May Friendship Day at Trinity Church on May 6th. There will be a cookout at the parsonage beginning at 5:30. We will resume Homecoming Service this year and Joyce will invite Sandra Lisenby to bring the message that Sunday. Pastor Emily's daughter, Susannah, will be arriving in the states for a two week visit on June 7th. She will be arriving by train in Dillon that evening and anyone who desires can welcome her on the platform at the station. Dorine asked about restarting Praise and Worship but at this time there are no plans to do so. Neville, Jr. took the floor to address our second quarterly mission. After some discussion and a suggestion from the pastor to equally allocate funds from both the second and third quarters to both Snapper and Misty Locklear and also to Tammy Caulder. a motion was made by Hilda and seconded by Neville, Sr. and voted upon unanimously to accept the motion. Neville, Jr. then addressed the Council on the matter of payment of the church's apportionments to the Conference to be reduced as a means to increase our mission funds. This was tabled until a later date. After no further business Pastor Emily had the closing prayer.

June 12, 2022 - Quarterly Meeting - Berea UMC Administrative Council

Present: Neville Locklear, Sr., Neville Locklear, Jr., Billy Alen, Kitty Stott, Norma Smith, Hilda Bailey, Griffin Driggers, Annie Jane Allen, Rev. Emily Davis

Pastor Emily called the meeting to order in the absence of the Chairperson. Hilda opened the meeting with prayer

Items Discussed/Reviewed:

- A) Missions - Norma Smith reported there were no food bags made/distributed since the last meeting.
- B) Trustees/Disaster Relief - Griffin Driggers reported there were no specific items to be discussed at this time.
- C) Music/Choir - Hilda Bailey advised she will contact choir members during the upcoming week to schedule a meeting to discuss reorganizing the choir.
- D) Finance - Neville Locklear Jr reported the following items:

All apportionments have been paid, church insurance has been paid and Berea's portion of the salary for the Administrative Assistant has been paid.

With the approval of the Council, the Missions Fund will be rounded up to the nearest dollar in order to ensure an equal amount of the donation is given to each of the two intended recipients.

A tentative plan for funding of the Global Methodist Church ministries, which is one of the options being offered to churches wishing to exit the United Methodist Church, was discussed. An explanation of how the conference would be funded by local churches, and how that funding would affect Berea, had we already become an active member of that GMC. Efforts will continue to keep members informed as other information becomes available.

Pastor Emily reported on the following items:

Some aspects of the initial agreement between the Global Methodist Church and the United Methodist Church concerning the guidelines for churches that wish to exit the UMC have been rescinded. Therefore there is no concrete information to be shared about exit plans and proposals at this time.

Pastor Emily will be relieved during the month of August to take leave by the District Superintendent rather than Rev. Mike Rouse as initially planned since Rev. Rouse is accepting a temporary assignment. The DS has advised that he will not accept pay. Trinity UMC has suggested the two churches join together in a covered dish meal the last Sunday that he is with us. Pastor Emily suggested we might make a donation in his honor to Epworth or another Methodist-supported charity.

An ice cream social for both churches will be held at the home of Bobby Roller on July 31 at 5PM. Attendees are asked to bring cookies, brownies, etc to serve with the ice cream. More information will be given as this plan continues to develop.

No other items being introduced, the meeting was closed with prayer by Neville Locklear, Jr.

Sept. 19, 2022

Berea U.M. Church Admin. Council Meeting
Dorine, Chairperson, called meeting to order.

② Joyce prayed opening prayer.

③ Dorine made suggestion that we order 2 lg. pans
of chicken for Homecoming and Church pay for it.

Joyce suggested announce this in church.
all voted in favor of ordering the chicken.

④ Pastor Emily reported from Nominations Committee

A) Kelda - Rec. Sec.

B) Nurle Sr. - ~~Chair~~ Nom. Committee

C) Margaret - ~~PPRC~~

D) Trustees - Gerald will be asked + Phyllis
asked to return to Justice Board

Then will be voted on @ Charge Conf.

PPRC Meeting - Recommended Pastor sal. for 2023
will increase by 6%. \$42,369.00 total. Bearer
portion will be $\frac{1}{3} = \$13,981.77$. ~~Conference~~ Conference
recommended that accountable expenses remain
as is (travel, conference, etc.)

Council voted in agreement to accept all
recommendations.

⑤ Christmas service will be @ Trinity on Christmas
Day.

⑥ Pastor Emily has been approached by another
local pastor concerning several local churches
converging for revival. Churches would be Trinity,
Berea, Main St. McCole and Pine Grove McCole
Nov. 6 - Nov. 9 one night @ each church.

(7) Discussion was held concerning asking the Cong. to rise when the Pastor & Acolyte enters the sanctuary, it was ~~decided~~ ^{suggested} that Hilda ask the Cong. to rise.

(8) Neville J. - ^{financial} report - of expenses, incl. debts & deposits, ^{also} incl. Mission fund for month of August. He asked Council to consider purchasing a policy to protect churches from embezzlement. He will gather info & bring it to the Council for review. This policy will bind those who deal with church money.

(9) 4th quarter mission was discussed. (October - Dec.) Pastor Emily spoke of the devastation in Puerto Rico due to Hurricane Fiona. We will send a mission to Samaritans' Purse to be sent to Puerto Rico.

Meeting was closed w/ prayer by Hilda

attending:

Joyce, Pastor, Neville Sr, Dorine, Neville Jr, Annie Jane, Norma, Hilda, Billy, Joyce

Berea UMC Church - Admin Council 3/5/23
Call to order +
Prayer - Emily
Acts 2:

Pastor, Norrell Jr, Kitty, Gerald, Norma Betty, Joyce,
Hilda

Emily (asked for)
Other bus. before discussing status of exit process
in other bus. Joyce suggested
Lynne - gift - donation to Comm. Kitchen from Berea

(2) ~~is~~ new business - discussion concerning the
status of the exit process within the UMC as a
whole.

(3) awaiting official letter advising the resolution
to exit has been brought forward and approved by the
Conference. E-crow acct. must be set up by end of
May ~~before June 30,~~

(4) before June 30 - ~~list of local~~ J.P.E.G. Copies of
Membership roster forwarded to Conference
Meeting Minutes
Member roles / records, funerals, etc. ^{birth} deaths
Deeds + Property Records
Proof of Creation of a New Entity & insurance ^{proof}

(5) Once vote is taken at annual conf.
Needs Copies of Quit Claim deed that
Makes transfer from old property to new property

(E) Signed Copy of separation agreement

(3) New identity for the Church needs to be considered by the Congregation.

(A) Council suggest new entity (R)

(B) Congregation meet

Joyce suggested we meet after Service (rather than SS) a few Sundays to get input from ^{entire} Congregation. Council agreed.

(C) Transfer of Membership form printed & sent to all members to offer opp to transition to new entity.

(D) first Cong meet will be March 19th
March 26th

2-11-23 2:00 P.M.

Berea U.M. Church - Meeting Minutes

~~Pastor Emory~~ ~~Tham Phillip~~ ~~Josney Joyce~~
~~Cooper,~~

Meeting led by D. A. Jim Rogers - Creed
Church Conf to vote on separation from SC
Meth. Conf.

D. A. Prayed opening prayer

- ① Projected # required to be paid to conf. to
exit - Conf has not rec'd the info yet
but will respond by letter when it is rec'd,

Description of how meeting + vote will be
conducted was read by the D. A.

- ② Neville Jr presented the financial requirement
to be paid to ~~Conf~~ ^{Conf} to exit as obtained from
appraisals, apporportionments, value of property, Pastor's
Salary, etc \$50,521.61.
and other
required items

- ③ Motion ^{to separate} was
read on behalf of the Church by Neville Jr
in absence of the Chair of Admin Council.

- ④ All req. inf concerning deeds, ^{property, appraisals, financial} etc were put on files
as required by Conf + mailed by Neville Jr
Certified.

D & Joyce offered time for anyone to speak for
or against in approval of the

- (5) There ~~was~~ was one response concerning the
exit ~~and the~~
- (6) Vote ~~was taken~~ by signature of those present
were counted by D & witnessed by Gerald
& Sharon
- (7) Ballots were then handed out by Gerald
& Sharon & ~~voted~~
- (8) ~~Ballots were~~ ^{then} counted by D. & and witnessed
by Gerald & Sharon
- (9) 19 yes
0 no
- (10) Motion to move approved
- (11) Prayer by D &

May 14th 2023

They have made a escrow account. Checks have been made and sent.

Neville read the proposal for voting. Asked if there was any question before we voted. If not we will start the vote

The vote has been done and now the count
Sharon & Gerald have counted the vote with Neville Jr. 20 ballots
we pass 19 yes 1 NO