

**Pleasant Hill COB
Church Board Meeting
September 14, 2009**

The Board met with the following people in attendance:

Nurture Commission: Terry Gindlesperger, Dale Harrison, Sally Allison, Jennifer Conley

Stewards Commission: Barry Natta, John Plunkard, Barry Miller, Gloria Rager

Witness Commission: Ginny Babal, Kris Goldberg

Music & Worship Commission: Mike Rager, Cassie Jones

Deacon Representative: Pete Smith

Treasurer: Pete Smith

Pastor: Phil King

Associate Pastor/Youth Director: Russ Peruso

Christian Education Director: Amelia Derr

Church Clerk: Jessie Rager

Dale Harrison, vice board chair, called the meeting to order, and Pastor Phil led devotions.

Minutes: Dale asked for a motion to approve July's board minutes. Mike Rager made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Barry Natta, **Motion Carried.**

Old Business: None.

Executive Committee: Dale asked the executive committee to stay after the meeting to discuss a date for a budget meeting.

Nurture Commission: Terry Gindlesperger gave the report. The following people are being appointed as back-up teachers for Pastor Russ's Sunday School class when he is unable to teach: Jamie Petrunak, Jeff Day, and Gloria Rager. Barry Natta made a motion to approve these appointments, seconded by Cassie Jones, **Motion Carried.** Some Sunday School classes are running out of room because of class growth, and some solutions are being worked on. The commission is hoping to set Pastor Russ and the youth group up with a laptop and projector, with an approximate cost of \$1,500. The stewards volunteered this money from their budget for "Special Projects". The cost of transporting youth to events is growing, and a van may be able to lessen these costs significantly, so this is being seriously looked into. The "We Care" team is still functioning, and is currently working with Campus Ministries. Marsha Smith, Sandy Natta, and Phil King volunteered to be a part of "Springs of Living Water". Two more volunteers should be in place by September 26 if at all possible.

Witness Commission: Ginny Babal reminded us that the bags for District Conference must be turned in by October 18th. A note will go in the bulletin as well. The blood drive this year was less than a success, and the commission is hoping to do something to improve participation next year. Cassie Jones suggested that the drive be a part of an all-day community outreach event, as some churches and organizations do; she also mentioned that most blood drives involve some sort of free meal or snacks as well. A number of suggestions were made, and the commission will do what they can to improve conditions for next year's blood drive. Ginny is hoping to plan for December 12 for the church's day to volunteer for New Day gift-wrapping. If anyone knows of someone who should be added to the shut-in list for Christmas gifts, please let the commission know. They are always open to suggestions for gifts as well.

Stewards Commission: Barry Natta reported that Ehrlich has started its pest control around the church. They will be providing monthly services for now. The blinds in one of the classrooms still need fixed, and the Sunday School class in the chapel has asked for a blind to be installed. A leak in the youth room is being examined. All commissions must have their budgets in by next week.

Music & Worship Commission: Mike Rager gave the report. A group of women is making banners to hang in the church during Advent season. The commission is planning a Music Appreciation Sunday for the end of October. Gift certificates will be given to the praise team, choir, and those who help with the sound and projector. Pastor Phil will be away on November 22 and 29. UPJ Campus Ministries will possibly take one of the Sundays, and Pastor Russ will preach the other. Barry Miller asked if the guest praise team that played a few weeks ago had been paid in any way. Mike will send a thank you card along with a gift of money from the church.

Approval of Reports: Gloria Rager made a motion to approve the reports, seconded by Mike Rager, **Motion Carried.**

Deacon Report: Pete Smith reported that the deacons had their quarterly meeting. Their next meeting will be December 1. Communion is planned for Sunday, October 4. The deacons are hoping to emphasize to the congregation the importance of meditating, fasting, and praying about communion.

Treasurers Report: Pete Smith gave everyone a copy of the report. If anyone wants any of the titles of the line items or anything else changed for next year, please let him know. Also, when someone makes a donation to the New Building or Building Improvement fund, we should really make a note in the bulletin as we do for the Living/Memorial Trust Fund. A donation was made with no recognition. This donation will be mentioned in next week's bulletin and the upcoming newsletter.

Disaster Relief, Camp Harmony, Brethren Home, Brethren Benefit Trust: No reports.

Vision Task Team: The next meeting will be held in October. No report otherwise.

PASTOR'S REPORT August 2009

Phillip A. King

Pastoral Calls

Hospital/Nursing Home	7	
Homes	19	
Funeral Home	1	
School/Work		
Office	4	
		Total 31

Committee meetings	4
Commission meetings	4
Board meeting	1
Staff meetings	4

8 AM Worship	3
Sunday School	3
10:30 Worship	3

Combined Service for VBS Sunday

Anointings	2		
Funerals	2	Bonnie Wallen	3/3/09
		Ross Hunter	8/19/09
Parent/Child Consecration	1	Asher Seth Kosakowski	8/30/09

Activities:

Taught 5 & 6 Sunday School 8/2, Rich Rhodes 70th party 8/2, taught VBS (3 & 4) 8/3,4,5,6,7, District Finance Team 8/6, District CORE team 8/7, Mildred & Lew's 60th party 8/8, Bible School program 8/9, Summer Picnic 8/9, License interviews 8/15, pastor peer meeting 8/20. ordination forms 8/20, Cernic picnic 8/20, Ordination of James Berkebile 8/23, meet with Ron Beachley 8/25, CoB Ministers 8/25, advent committee 8/26, We Care Team 8/27, Blood Drive 8/29, Family Activity picnic at Yellow Creek 8/30, Belva's 92nd party 8/30

I am teaching Pastor's Class preparing 3 for baptism. Baptism will be October 4. I am working on the Springs of Living Water renewal process and preparing a Renewal Team.

Pastor Phil requested approval for vacation November 17 through December 1. Mike Rager made a motion to approve these dates, seconded by Jen Conley, **Motion Carried.**

Associate Pastor Report, Pastor Russell Peruso:

Hospital / Anointing – 1

Pastoral Biblical Advising Sessions – 8

In Office Visits – 10

Home Visits – 6

8:00 services – 4

Youth Sunday Schools (Teaching) - 4

10:30 services - 4

Wednesday Youth Small Group (Teaching) – 6

Youth CBYF Meetings – 4

Youth Organizational / Planning Meetings – 4

Special Youth Events – 1 –Car Wash, Yellow Creek State Park, Del Grosso's

Pastor's Meetings – 3- w/ other District Youth Pastors

Funeral – 1 Ross Hunter

I have prepared for and taught at our normal Sunday School Classes, CBYF Meetings, Wednesday Night Small Group Bible Studies unless we had a youth event to prepare for.

I attended 1 Youth Net Meetings and I held 1 organizational meeting for the 2009 Youth Events, meetings, fund raisers, teachings, and special events.

I am continuing to teaching on Spiritual Warfare and boundary setting on Wednesday night's small group meetings. I have finished up a video series from John Bevere called the "Bait of Satan". We will be doing DVD series "Driven by Eternity" and "Under Cover" by the same author. We will also be studying the book of Romans. At CBYF Sunday night meetings we have begun watching a four part video series called "Choose". For Sunday School we are watching DVD's by Rob Bell on various Relational/ Biblical truths.

Our youth helped at VBS with teaching our youth, had a car wash on Saturday the Aug. 15th, welcomed new youth in to the group at Yellow Creek state park on Sunday Aug 30th, and went to a great concert and rode rides at Del Grosso's Park on Sunday Sept. 6th. We are also selling Sheetz MTO tickets and 2010 Calendars.

I went for a short vacation with my family on Aug. 5-9. I preached at JCS's Chapel on Sept. 10. Picked up new curriculums for Sunday School, CBYF and Wednesday Night Small Group. I attended the Deacon meeting. Some things our youth group is planning for Oct. on the 11 we are going to a corn maze and on the 18 the family kitchen and roller skating and at camp trick or retreat.

Christian Education Report:

Amelia Derr

Worship Services-5

Meetings-3

Office-7

Sunday school

Our new unit is "Building the Tabernacle", this is going very well. Our new service project is to collect items for a local shelter. We have an ongoing memory verse program and continue to have a gathering time following the theme of our unit. Presently we are adding items to our altar table that represent particular items that were used in the tabernacle. Prepared a display board for the Sundays school promotion and had a DVD made showing pictures of the children in action.

The preschool class is going well and they continue to enjoy their new toys etc. that were purchased for them.

Children's Church

Children's church is going well, nothing really to report.

Personal Activities

Attended a meeting in Pittsburgh for Annual Conference 2010

I attended District Women's August event at Brethren Home.

Will be attending a Children's Ministry Conference in Harrisburg on Oct. 2 & 3

I've been asked to write an article for Brethren Press's Living Word Bulletin series to be published in 2010.

Board Chairman: No report.

Other: Pastor Phil suggested that we consider hiring someone to staff the nursery. Parents are growing uncomfortable leaving their children with random volunteers, and many say that they would be more likely to use the nursery if the same person were in there week after week. He proposed that we look into hiring someone at around \$2,000 a year. A job description will be created in time for the Executive Committee's next meeting. This topic will then be brought to October's Congregational Business Meeting.

Barry Natta let us know that Kim Dishong plans to schedule a training for using the AED sometime in October or November.

Approval of Reports: Ginny Babal made a motion to approve all reports, seconded by Gloria Rager, **Motion Carried.**

Pastor Phil closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Church Clerk, Jessie Rager