

Sept. 28th, '09
Church Council Meeting

Ruth Oatman led us in prayer.

Mary Hudson: I have two things I would like to bring up first; The United States Census 2010 partnership Our participation is needed to advertise and help people in the empowerment center as well as our church to fill out the forms.

This is very important to the state it is how we receive federal money.

The time frame for completion is April 15th, 2010.

The proposal was made by Mary Hudson and was seconded by Roth Oatman. It was passed by the council.

Second; The Nightly Rotation Women's Sanctuary.

There are still many questions that Richard Wible still needs answered. We need about 20 churches to be involved because this is for all New Castle County. I asked that we all pray over this for the next month. We will vote when more information is available.

Kelly Stoneman: I would like to add to the agenda for next month. To discuss how we will handle things that need to be brought to a vote in between meetings.

Jim Faltot: I would like to propose making the year 2010 the year of Shalom.

Sue Symes: B.I.A. is looking for a vision theme for the church. She was thinking Health. Brian suggested, "God has a universal health plan, are you covered?"

Finance could use Vital Signs.

B.I.A. would work in stewardship health, maybe tie in with Joy Smith.

Jim said, "We were working on the Natural Church Development. Maybe we should take the test again."

Ruth Oatman was asked how that committee was going. She said they have been on a hiatus with David doing his DMin.

Sue Symes; I have this course I found on the web. (Please see Sue for a copy.) She thinks it would be great if all the committee's use this theme for the next year. If we present this to the Church that we need to get healthy.

Dayle : This might be a way of up-dating the Natural Church Development. If we use this as our theme we might be able to tap into the church activities.

Sue Symes: The leadership needs to realize that we *really* need to work on making this a healthy church.

Jane : We need to be careful not to bombard the new people that we are not healthy.

Roland Sharp: We need to recognize all the really good things that have been done. We are seeing *lots* of new people.

Jim Faltot was asked what about the year of Shalom. He jested we have this. We can do the year of Shalom next year.

Sue Symes: Next year I thought it could be the year of growth.

Jim Falto: Okay then 2012. He then reminded us that New Members classes are Oct. 11th, 18th, 25th, they start at 12:45pm in Memorial Lounge. We expect a large class.

Calendar

Sue Symes: Bill Clark, can we make a rolling calendar on the web page that all the team members can have access to. We can plug in events after our meetings so that when we come here it can be printed out and it would up-to-date?

Bill Clark said yes the communication team be work on that.

Calendaring was done on chart paper.

Sue Symes: Did everyone sign up for your pictures yet? Encourage everyone on your team to sign-up.

Peter Schmalz: motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Bell