

Central Christian Church Board Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2017 Meeting

Present:

Jean Prehn, Gunther Prehn, Steve Odom, Cathy Crabtree, Tom Haynes, Tommye Latham, Roger Osborne, Hal Beasley, Jake Lewis, Shane Crabtree, Nicole Martin, Mike Martin, James Jarman, Charlie Williams, Walter Cook, Claire Mobley, Nancy R. Jones.

I.

Meeting was called to order by Hal Beasley and after prayer communion was administered by the Reverend Steve Odom.

II.

The minutes from the November 14th, 2016 meeting were passed around and after a motion and 2nd were approved. The following reports were made:

III. Financial Report
& End of Year Report:

Approved. Written report submitted by Charlie Williams-Ended year with a little left over (full report attached).

IV. Treasurer's Report:

Written report submitted by Roger Osbourne showing a negative net income but a \$10,000.00 plus balance. (see full report attached). Permanent fund \$30,000.00 plus (designated \$14,000.00)

V. Ministry Reports:

a) Pastors Report:

Written and submitted by Pastor Steve Odom- Discussed new classes offered and upcoming events (report attached).

b) Membership Report:

Submitted by Jean Prehn (report attached).

c) Stewardship:

By Wally Cook. Discussed linebacker program & others actions taken to foster stewardship.

d) Worship Committee:

Cathy Crabtree discussed decorations for the sanctuary & upcoming plans.

- e) Education: Nicole Martin-No report this time.
- f) Evangelism: Jake Lewis reported on fall Festival & Halloween- Asked for suggestions for ways to evangelize to new people coming in -maybe get sheparding groups to invite friends.
- g) Outreach: Submitted by Nancy James Needs a volunteers list to provide assistance on as needed basis for nursery programs. Listed task for other suggestions-Claire Mobley asked for packaged socks for VA.
- h) DWM: Written report by Claire Mobley- see attached. Asked for ways they could help with projects.
- i) Elders: Given by Nancy James-(reports attached) of meeting of December 11, 2016 and January 8, 2017.
- j) Deacon: Given by Gunther Prehn- 2017 servant roster is out. No formal report.
- k) Students: Nicole Martin gave update on student activities and upcoming events including February chili luncheon.
- l) Property: Written report submitted by Gunther Prehn-Report attached including a list of things needing attention which is to be accomplished over time as funds permit.

New Business:

1. Pastoral Relations Committee: Has been established by the Board with the following members:

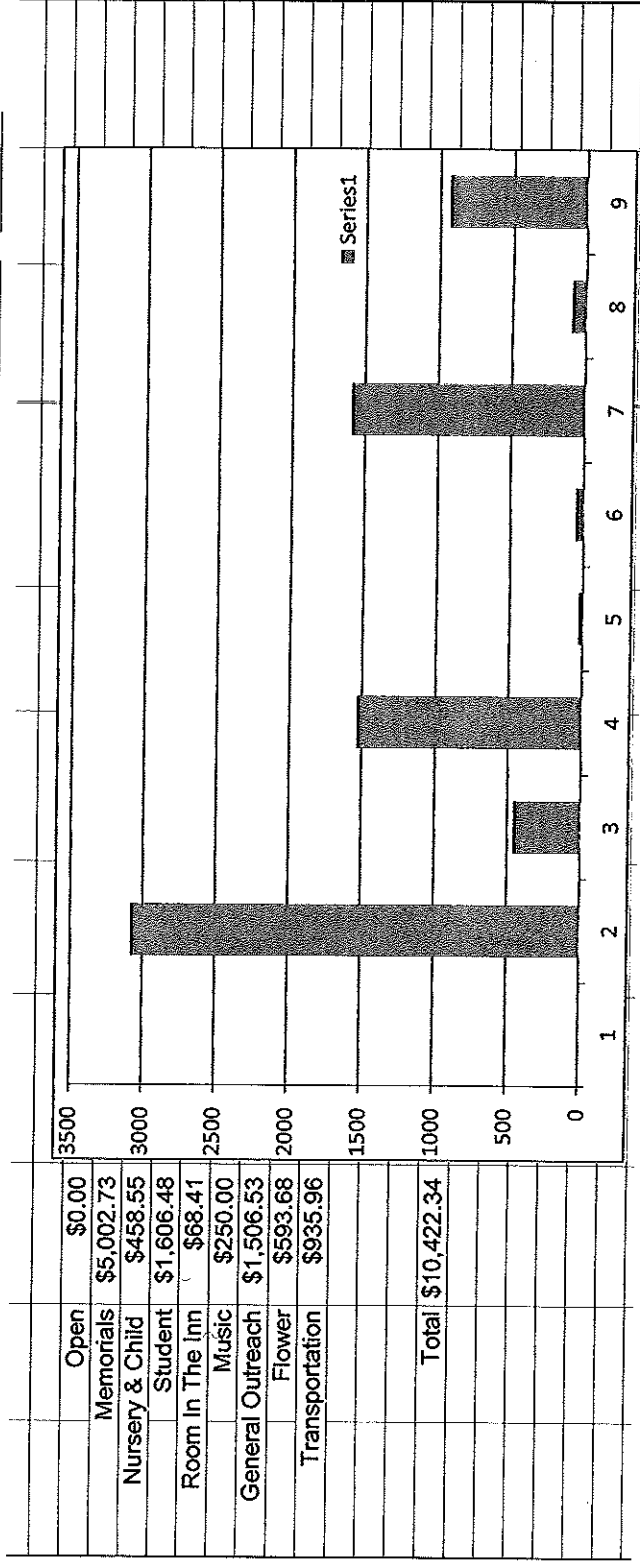
1. Tommy Latham
2. Wally Cook
3. Glenna Waldrep
4. Roseanne Peppers
5. Bill Hollingsworth
6. Beverly Henley

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas J. Haynes, Secretary

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS
YTD Income by Item Summary
 January 1 through December 25, 2016

Service	TOTAL		
	Qty	Amount	% of Sales
Cakewalk	1	169.00	0.1%
Fall Festival	1	30.00	0.0%
Blessing Box (DWF Blessing Box)	6	973.12	0.5%
Linebacker Program (Line Item:)	15	6,820.00	3.5%
Tithes & Offerings (Tithes & Offerings)			
Cash Offering (Cash offering)	2	100.00	0.1%
Sunday School Offering (Sunday School offering)	46	198.50	0.1%
Tithes & Offerings (Tithes & Offerings) - Other	835	170,384.07	87.7%
Total Tithes & Offerings (Tithes & Offerings)	883.00	170,682.57	87.9%
Missions			
Domestic Violence Dinners (Domestic Violence Dinners)	6	324.65	0.2%
Food Bank (Food Bank)	1	5.00	0.0%
Outreach (ACT Ministry and other outreach)	2	400.00	0.2%
Blanket Sunday (Blankets)	19	506.60	0.3%
Christmas Special Offering (BMF Christmas)	4	295.00	0.2%
Domestic Violence (Domestic Violence)	14	175.00	0.1%
Easter Special Offering (BMF Easter)	10	425.00	0.2%
Habitat For Humanity (Habitat For Humanity)	49	239.43	0.1%
Pentecost Special Offering (BMF Pentecost)	5	122.00	0.1%
Reconciliation Offering (BMF Reconciliation)	1	25.00	0.0%
Week Of Compassion (BMF Week Of Compassion)	9	250.00	0.1%
Missions - Other	1	100.00	0.1%
Total Missions	121.00	2,867.68	1.5%
SAVINGS			
Church Cookout	3	145.00	0.1%
Gen Memorials (Honor or Memory of:)	37	1,980.00	1.0%
Room In The Inn (Room In The Inn)	33	796.00	0.4%
Music Fund (Music Fund)	1	100.00	0.1%
Flower Fund (Flower Fund)	3	545.00	0.3%
Youth Gen Savings (Youth Gen Savings)	31	2,803.00	1.4%
SAVINGS - Other	1	32.00	0.0%
Total SAVINGS	109.00	6,401.00	3.3%
Easter Lilies (Easter Lilies)	13	250.00	0.1%
Poinsettias (Easter Lilies)	18	440.00	0.2%
Misc. Income	1	150.00	0.1%
Property Maintenance (Enter Description here)	11	5,450.00	2.8%
Total Service	1,179.00	194,233.37	100.0%
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Treasurer Report 1/9/17

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Total Income:	\$ 191,355.35	

Expenses:

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Ordinary Net Income	\$ (25,558.60)	

biggest costs (removed)	
Property:	\$ (26,450.35)
New heat/ac	\$ (9,400.00)
total	\$ (35,850.35)
Expenses less removed biggest unbudgeted	\$ (181,063.60)
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Pastor's Report January 9, 2017

The Spirit of Early Christian Thought by RL Wilken concluded last night. Our new Sunday Evening Class will read "**Renovation of the Heart: Putting on the Character of Christ,**" by Dallas Willard. Begins January 15.

Next First Sunday Luncheon is February 5 with Shepherding Group 2 hosting.

Next Wednesday Potluck, January 11.

ORGs next Wednesday 1/18, Sylvan Park Diner.

Behind the Four Gospels: Echoes in the Text. Beginning 9:00 AM Tuesday January 17, I will offer a weekly class on the inner workings of the Four Gospels and how each one is filled with "echoes" of the many preceding Jewish scriptures from the Old Testament. Classes will run each Tuesday for an hour through April 4 in the sanctuary.

January Daytrip will be 1/24 at 10 AM to the CokerTire Car Museum in Chattanooga followed by lunch in Chattanooga.

"Little Books" of the New Testament, continues beginning Titus next week. Sundays 9:30 Philemon, 2 Peter, 2 John, 3 John, and Jude yet to come. They give lots of information on how the church was developing in the 3rd and last quarters of the first century, and they deal with "churchly" questions of organization, authority, trust, and how other, more doctrinal issues work themselves out in people's lives.

Joint Service Church on the Way on Christmas Day fell through and Pulpit Swap planned in January also postponed.

Another Jazz Benefit Concert scheduled for March 5 at 3 PM with the **Trinity Jazz Ensemble** for the benefit of the Domestic Violence Shelter.

March 1 Ash Wednesday

April 14 Good Friday

April 16 Easter

Membership Committee – November & December Report for General Board Meeting 1/9/17

Memorial Gifts Given in November and December

Acknowledgement cards were sent for the following gifts to the Memorial Fund:

In Honor of the Mikkelsen family given by Ann Hagerman

In Memory of Gina Mikkelsen given by Ann Hagerman

In Memory of David Kious given by Virginia L. Follis and Lance and Olivia Schade.

A Christmas Honorarium for John B. and Kay Woodfin was given by Ruth Ann and Jerry Smith.

A sympathy card was sent to the family of Tim Bunting who passed away on December 24th.

Submitted by: Jean Prehn, Chair

Committee Members: Darlene Bowman, Carolyn Wilson, Debbie Williams, Hal and Myra Beasley, Meredith Akkerman and Stacy Lewis.

OUTREACH MINISTRY - JANUARY 9, 2017 REPORT

This ministry shall be responsible for promoting a sound program of world and local outreach including both the causes and programs of the Christian church (Disciples of Christ) and local outreach causes.

Each Ministry will consist of a Chairperson chosen by the nominating committee and approved by the General Board, Vice Chairperson, and at least three members of the Congregation or as many as need to fulfill the purpose of the Ministry.

Each Ministry is to compile information into a Ministry Resource book to help future chairpersons and members execute the fulfillment of its purpose. Minutes shall be kept in this resource book of projects, activities and decisions. An advisor shall be selected for each committee from past Chairpersons to serve as a mentor and guide. This person shall be selected by the members of the Ministry by a majority vote at their first meeting. Each Ministry shall meet as often as necessary to make sure the goals and purposes of Christ's Church in this place are moving with a positive momentum.

Current outreach programs at Central Christian Church:

Room In the Inn – Provide meals on a specific Sunday each month. Also provide items needed and provide gift cards at the holiday season. Program is year round.

Nashville Cares – Deliver food bags to Rutherford County residents who have been diagnosed with HIV/AIDS. Program is year round.

Backpack Food Program for school age children – Purchase food items to assemble in Ziploc bags to be delivered and distributed to students who have limited access to food over the weekend. Program follows public school calendar.

Coldest Nights – Prepare and serve food to the homeless population when the temperature drops 32 degrees or below at First Baptist Church (men) and St. Paul's (women). Seasonal.

Downtown Community Church Group – Representatives from the downtown churches meet to discuss collaboration on ways to serve the community.

Domestic Violence – Prepare and serve meal at the Shelter the first Tuesday of every month. Also, support with donations and youth involvement to assist with projects.

Habitat for Humanity/Global Ministries/Outreach Projects from Disciples (state/national)

Events open to the public sponsored by Central Christian

2017 Budget: \$1,500.00 (Room in the Inn and Backpack has separate line items)

***First goal is to form a committee. Jake Lewis has agreed to serve on Outreach since Evangelism and Outreach have similar missions. *Submitted, Nancy James – Outreach Chair*

ELDERS MEETING – JANUARY 8, 2016

Attendance: Mike Martin, Barbara Bekaert, Denis Bekaert, Ty Walker, Steve Odom, David Wilson, Jim Jarman, Wally Cook, Brenda Jarman, Charley Williams, Hal Beasley, and Nancy James.

Joys and Concerns: Roger Osborne's Dad (Randy) in hospital, Carolyn Thompson in hospital, Josh Martin passed Master's program, continued prayers for Barbara Bekaert's recovering from knee surgery, Carolyn Wilson will have knee surgery on March 2, and Martin family still sick.

Shepherding Groups: Discussed purpose of Shepherding groups and role of leaders of each group. Discuss further on agenda of workshop. Steve will highlight the 4 groups each Sunday. The list are already posted at church. Send Nancy ANY changes concerning contact information for the list.

Elder Emeritus: Change to “. . . on the Eldership board, , ,”. It now reads: *Although Emeritus will no longer have a vote on the Eldership board their opinions and concerns should always be taken in consideration on matters of the congregation.* Vote: 11 yes, one oppose – passed. This will be added to the Elder Policy and Procedure.

2017 Goals: Unity statement to be framed and hung in the basement and Education Building. Begin to define ways we could implement unity within the statements listed. Promote and clearly define the role of Shepherding Group leadership and members and make Eldership more accessible to the congregation.

2017 Meetings: Two Saturday workshops – February 25, August 26/ Sunday meetings: April 9, June 11, September 10, November 12, and December 10.

Communion Schedule: Brenda will be scheduling Elders at the table this week so send her any dates you can NOT attend as soon as possible.

Submitted by, Nancy James – Secretary of Elders

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH: ELDERS MEETING – DECEMBER 11, 2016

Attendance: Mike Martin, Roger Osborne, David Wilson, Brenda Jarman, Ty Walker, Steve Odom, and Nancy James.

Joys and Concerns: Barbara Bekaert's knee replacement and the Bekaert's 50th wedding anniversary, Joe Garrison, Nancy Webb in the hospital, Darlene Bowman attending funeral, Sharon Matheny not feeling well, and Mike Martin's job.

Revised Shepherding Group List: Those present agreed the current revised list is ready to go and will be posted beginning January, 2017. The Elders will receive the lists with personal information of each person but Steve will post it with just the names of people in each group. Starting in 2017, there will be 4 Shepherding Groups and there will be one Shepherding Group each month that will host the first Sunday potlucks. Shepherding Group 1 will host the first Sunday potluck on January 1st.


Election of Officers: The following Elders agreed to serve as officers in 2017 – Mike Martin will serve as Chair, David Wilson will serve as Vice Chair and will be other voting Elder at the Board Meetings along with the Chair, and Nancy James will serve as Secretary. Brenda Jarman agreed to compile the list of Elders who will serve at the table in 2017. *Please contact Brenda if there are Sundays you know you will not be available to serve.* Darlene will update the Homebound List for Elders to reference when serving homebound (first Sunday of each month – Elders who serve at the table that Sunday will be responsible to taking communion to those on the list).

Elder Emeritus: The Elders present discussed if those who have achieved Elder Emeritus have voting privileges according to church documents:

10. Terms of Office – Elders & Deacons are selected for a life-time, to serve & give spiritual guidance to the congregation. Those who can no longer serve in this capacity may be elected to an Emeritus status, remaining a strong spiritual example to the Body of Christ. (By-laws)

Article III, Section B – Officer Emeritus: Person who has faithfully served the congregation as elders and diaconate may be elected for life to a position of Emeritus when health or age prohibits active service. They shall be non-voting ex-officio members of the General Board. Elders may preside at the Lord's Table. The purpose of this position is to honor faithful servants of this congregation with the highest recognition and most sincere appreciation the church can give. Candidates for this position are to be nominated by the Board of Elders. (The Design and Covenant of Central Christian Church)

Those present agreed the paragraph above seems to lean toward the position of Elder Emeritus not having voting privileges but can still participate in discussions and be active in areas that



PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT
January, 201

The Property Committee met on January 5, 2017. Members present: Jim Peppers, Beverly Henley, Cathy Crabtree and Gunther Prehn.

Projects for 2017 were discussed:

- Lighting – we will get updated costs to upgrade the lighting in the parlor, Steve’s classroom, office and nursery.
- Windows – we will get cost estimates to upgrade education building windows: (1) 1st floor east and west sides, (2) 2nd floor east and west sides and (3) lobby.
- Painting – we will get cost estimates to paint the following rooms in the education building: (1) office area, (2) parlor, (3) Steve’s classroom and (4) nursery.
- Install 3 programmable thermostats (2 in sanctuary and 1 in basement)
- The committee also discussed ways to use \$3,400 donated by Carty Roberts. When we have all costs determined, the committee will recommend how to use these funds.

We realize the cost for all of these projects may be too much for this year, but it will be a start.