

## **Cherry Log Christian Church Board Meeting, January 25, 2014**

Board Members Present: Sharon Meek, Moderator; Jerry Johnson, Vice Moderator; Don Brewer, Chair of Elders; Tom Mitchell, Chair of Deacons, Resource Council; Maureen Hicks, Chair of Discipling Council; Darlene Fike, Chair of Outreach Council; Lynn Barrett, Member-at-Large (via Facetime); Kristi Johnson, Member-at-large, Janet Tripp, Secretary; Caroline Carder, Treasurer; David Griffin, Pastor.

Members not present: John Sugg, Ronald Midkiff, Bill Groce

Invited Guests: Lynette Nelson, Trustee; Phil Slemmons, Trustee

**CHURCH ON THE HILL (COH):** We were able to meet and get to know the folks who are currently renting the COH. There was a spirit in the room and as a followup to this meeting, the trustees (Phil and Lynette) recommended that we take the church off the real estate market for 6 months and allow Calvary to grow their congregation. Caroline will contact Tony Patterson to remove the "for sale" sign and Malinda will contact Pete Hardy to get him to also remove his sign that is lying on the ground. Hopefully, after about 6 months we can revisit the possibility of Calvary purchasing the property. Thank you to both Jackie Lumpkin and Caroline for providing the board with insights into how to proceed with this. After the meeting, Sharon contacted Brent and Sherry and they were very excited and said to say thank you for this opportunity.

**FLOORING:** Feedback from the congregation was to step back from the attorney and just finish the carpet in the fellowship hall and paint the baseboard area. Everyone agreed that this should be our next step. We will give our attorney a couple more weeks to respond to David last letter hoping that the installer and manufacturer might give us some money.

**WELLS:** The wells have been fixed and just waiting for water sample to come back clear. Hopefully within the month the church will have drinkable water again.

**STATE OF THE CHURCH:** David will deliver the "state of the church" on January 26 to the congregation.

**DAVID'S SABBITICAL:** David will be on sabbatical beginning Feb 1. A list of support folks will be sent out to the congregation via email and the February Cherrylogue. Thank you to Jerry for doing the preaching for the entire month of February. As Sharon said to someone this weekend – "It takes a Village to care for a church" and we have a pretty good village. Sharon and Jerry are continuing to work with the Center for Congregational Health in Winston Salem in developing some sort of support during David's last 2 months of sabbatical in May and June.

**MINISTRY COUNCIL REPORTS:** The Board heard from all three councils. Just some highlights were that Jim Weir had given his granddaughters some money to do something for the church. So Caroline's husband Doyle is building a gazebo down in the field behind the little white house in his memory. We hope to develop this area as a place where we can have events and provide a connection with the Labyrinth and the church. Also, we discussed a possible donation of a bus by Hal and Ann for the beginning of a bus ministry. Sharon spoke with Hal and Ann Saturday afternoon, and they are not going to purchase the bus right now. Sharon suggested that Hal and Ann put together a task force to explore the opportunities for a bus ministry and report back to the councils to bring recommendations to the board. Hal and Ann are now in the process of pulling that task force together. The Fellowship Committee talked about putting out a sign-up sheet for Snacks after church on Sundays. This sheet was handed out during the town hall meeting and all three months were filled. Tim is working on guidelines

to be shared with folks. Darlene shared that she and Rox had met with the ladies from Cornerstone Baptist and that they are starting to help with the clothes closet. She extended the same offer to the Calvary church and they said that they would like to help as well. Maureen shared that Georgia Myers is beginning a 12 week curriculum for the youth that should offer a good program.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by

Janet Tripp, Secretary