

Summerville Presbyterian Church
Mission and Benevolence Ministry Team
Meeting Minutes – October 1, 2009

Present: John Franks, Joseph Friday, Susan Ockerman, Phil Muller, Sherry Roberts, Lamar Carney

Rev Lamar Carney opened the meeting with prayer

The minutes from September 3, 2009 were approved as written.

Communications:

Thornwell School: John received a letter from the Thornwell School asking for support and prayers.

SC School for Deaf and Blind: John received some information from the SC school for the Deaf and Blind. He will post this information on our bulletin board.

Turks: John received some information regarding the Medical Benevolence Foundation describing some alternative Christmas Giving Ideas (attached).

Haiti Ministry and Auction: The Haiti auction is set for November 7, 2009 at 6:30 PM. The auction theme will be based on the Family Feud.

Blood Drive: The Blood Drive is scheduled for November 1st. David and Susan Ockerman will help Sharon with the registration tables for the Blood Drive.

Mission Trip – Costa Rica: The commissioning of the Mission team will be October 11th during the 8:45 Am Service.

Hispanic Ministry – Evangelism Sunday Update: John reported that approximately 30 Hispanic congregation members and 75 SPC members attended the event.

Habitat for Humanity: Susan Ockerman reported the next Apostles build date is October 24th. Our church is responsible for Lunch and arrangements have been made for more than enough food. They will meet at church at 7:30 Am and return at approximately 3:30 PM.

Thanksgiving Basket Project: Rev Lamar Carney reported that this event will be at St John's Church starting at 11:00 AM on November 21st. Lamar is preaching at the service. Our other responsibility is to come up with a list of 200 names for families that could be helped with a Thanksgiving dinner. Lamar and John will contact Wayne Mayberry to see if he could obtain a list like he did the year before. Lamar will also put an article in the bulletin asking for donations of Greenback Stamps that will help reduce the cost of the food items.

Finances: John reported the Ministry Teams Budget was in good shape. John stated he was asked to account for the total session mission goal of 15% by the end of 2010. John gave the following accounting which he will present to Session.

\$21,000	Mission Ministry budget
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200	Visitor Activities - Evangelism
750	Special events - Evangelism
2,000	Vacation Bible School - CE
100	Relay for Life - Programs
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Peacemaking Offering: This is set for October 4th. The material will be put in the Bulletin. Joseph will write an additional article for the Bulletin and ask Mike or Lamar to announce this Offering rather than do a Minute for Mission because there is a lot going on during the service.

2009 Accomplishments/2010 Goals for Annual Report: Joseph will e-mail the Mission sections of last year's annual report and the Ministry team is asked to make responses back to him for our goals and accomplishments for this year's report. We will finalize during next month's meeting.

Spring Mission: There was a consensus among the group to plan "March Mission Madness". The Ministry Team will create mission opportunities for the Church during the month of March. There were several opportunities presented such as: Low Country Food Bank, Pushing Forward, Low Country Children's Center or Orphanage, Water Missions, and One of the Beach Sweep Groups. Joseph Friday will research and send info on these opportunities and we will discuss next meeting. The Ministry team was asked to e-mail ideas and thoughts to Joseph Friday. He will assemble these ideas for discussion during our November Mission Meeting in order to firm up our spring 2010 mission plans.

Advent Conspiracy: John asked the group for possible ideas for recipients of the gifts. Several suggestions were made such as; Harvest Home, Palmetto House, Habitat, and the United Way.

New Business: No new business

The next meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2009 @ 7:00 PM

John Franks closed the meeting in prayer.

Item for Session Discussion:

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