

WMU
Thomas Village Baptist Church
February 14, 2009

Vanessa Jessee called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Vanessa Jessee, Debbie Aistrop, Peggy Stanley, Teresa Stanley, Ruth Rhoton, Lou Baxley, Jane Carter, Shirley Wells, Susan Carter, Hazel Stanley, Brenda Walsworth, Betty Carter.

PROGRAM

Lou Baxley presented the program on "Prayer Works." 1 Kings 17-19

PRAYER

The group prayed for missionaries and their families, and for special requests for those who are ill, facing surgery, traveling.

REPORTS

Minutes: The minutes of the January 10, 2009 meeting were accepted as presented.

Treasurer: The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented. See attached.

Association WMU: Debbie Aistrop reported that she and Shirley Wells attended the Association meeting on February 2. The group is donating \$500 to the food pantry and the CVBA has added \$1500 for a total of \$2000. The group is organizing a prayer walk and would like to have all the member churches involved in the project. Missionary trips to Belize are being organized for June and August. The annual meeting for WMU is scheduled for May 4 at Community Fellowship—dinner at 6 p.m., meeting at 7 p.m. The annual get-a-way is scheduled for Eagle Eyrie, November 6-7. Holston Valley Hospital Pediatric Floor would like for churches to sponsor snack baskets for waiting room.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Women's Conference: Several items were discussed:
 - Meal for the Conference—Hazel Stanley reported that plans for the meal are moving right along.
 - Speaker—Peggy Stanley reported that the airline ticket for Rita Sweatt has been purchased. Rita will have to stay over Saturday night and fly out Sunday. The cost for the ticket was \$531. Shirley Wells will ask Phyllis Baker if the speaker can stay in one of their cabins.
 - Music—Still need to get someone for the music part of the conference. Several suggestions were discussed. Teresa Stanley, Vanessa Jessee, and Peggy Stanley agreed to check on possible groups and report at the next meeting.
 - Items for Bags—Discussed how to assemble and print the recipe booklets. Several suggestions were made.
 - Decorations—Various groups will be decorating theme trees for the conference. Emphasis will be on simplicity.
 - Registration/Brochure—will be very simple, probably black ink on parchment color paper. Need graphic and confirmation of singers to complete.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Annie Armstrong Mission Giving—scheduled throughout the month of March. March 1-8 is the week of prayer for home missions. The group voted to set our goal for this year at \$1000.
2. Recommendation by the group to send a thank-you to Kay Jessee for doing the calendars this year.
3. The group voted to buy five \$10 gift cards to give as prizes at the Valentine's Day Social.
4. Vanessa reported that Jim Hamilton's cancer has returned. This may impact the mission work he and Elaine are doing in Moldova. The group was asked to pray for him.

The group again reviewed the various mission projects sponsored in past years, the Give-a-Thon in particular. A suggestion was made to include the Middle School and the High School in the project. After much discussion, the group decided to consider doing 20 students at each school. Each student would receive one outfit and one coat.
5. Vanessa reported that MEOC does meals on wheels and asked if WMU/TVBC might be interested in preparing meals for this shut-in group. No decision was made.
6. Group voted to continue the Mother's Day emphasis on Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Ministry.
7. Group voted to continue the Lion's Club/Glasses collection project.
8. Hazel Stanley reported that table covers and bags, made by the Sewing Bees, were delivered to the Southwest Virginia Cancer Center and that more are being made.
9. A question about the location of the AED unit was raised. Vanessa will find out where it is. There was also a question about whether another CPR class should be offered. This is something that will be considered later.
10. Shirley Wells and Lou Baxley invited everyone to sign up for the Women's Bible Study class to begin March 19.
11. An associational Sunday School Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 2, at TVBC.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Saturday, March 14, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Wells, Secretary