

Elder Board Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2010

Members Present: Ken Skillman, Bob Fraga, Steve Feazel, Steve Lloyd, Pastor Dave Bruns, Kent Rasmussen, Sam Allen, Bud Lang (Chair)

Special Guests: Pastor Matt Larson/College and Career Ministry

Opening Prayer & Devotion – Steve Feazel

- Steve presented the opening prayer and devotion that was taken from Matthew chapter 10. Steve pointed out the importance of being faithful in doing small acts of service as disciples of Christ.

Approval of the February 14, 2010 meeting minutes – Minutes were approved following MSC by Bob Fraga and Sam Allen.

1. Pastor Matt Larson Pastor of College/20 something's discussed a variety of issues:
 - A. He indicated that he has 25 faithful leaders involved with his ministry.
 - B. The goal of his ministry is to "wake up sleeping Christians" and renew their faith.
 - C. Pastor Matt explained that he is working closely with several young men who would like to enter the ministry.
 - D. Matt is making a special emphasis on producing Christian leaders.
 - E. He asked that the Elders pray for the young people in our church. Specifically he asked that we pray for their protection from the lure of our post Christian culture.

The Elders had the privilege of praying for Matt, his family and his ministry.

2. Pastor Dave Bruns staff report

Pastor Dave discussed several bridge building events and activities:

- A. Continue to work with the local schools this summer.
- B. Continue to hold the Harvest outreach at Halloween. Pastor Dave discussed strategies for reaching the lost during this event.
- C. Discussion was held regarding how to best disciple those new to our church. Small groups were discussed as an efficient way to accomplish this goal.

D. Discussion was held regarding the possibility of implementing an Elder internship/mentoring program to help develop church leaders.

3. Elder reports:

- A. Communion: Steve Feazel reported that the communion service for April will be on the second Sunday instead of the normal first Sunday of the month. This is because Easter falls on the first Sunday.
- B. Men's Ministry: Sam Allen discussed the fact that Alliance Kingdom Builders has partnered with Habitat for Humanity and the City of Paradise in an effort to assist homeowners who are unable to afford necessary house repairs. Sam also mentioned that an upcoming golf tournament and bird hunt will be used as fund raisers for Alliance Kingdom Builders.
- C. Missions: Bud Lang mentioned that the Mission's Committee discussed the idea of not only sending out short term missionaries from our church but also bringing missionaries to our church in order to become better aquatinted.
- D. New Members: Steve Lloyd reported that "Starting Point" will be a new class designed for those interested in learning more about our church and for those who are interested in membership. Discussion was held regarding how to make sure new members find their way into the life of the church. Small groups play an important role in integrating members into the life of the church.
- E. Oak Knoll Ministry: Sam Allen reports that this ministry outreach is going well.
- F. Prayer and Special Populations: Kent Rasmussen mentioned that he would like to have a night of prayer prior at the church to Easter. Pastor Dave mentioned that he will discuss this with Pastor Larry.

4. Old Business:

- A. Pastor Dave discussed the on-going planning for following up with church visitors. Pastor Trevor Davis is taking the lead for this outreach. Presently a visitation team is making initial contact with new visitors who register their attendance. Forms recording the visit are passed on to Elders for follow-up contact.
- B. A brief discussion was held regarding the possibility of adding new Elders to the board.

5. New Business:

- A. Bud Lang discussed the possibility of setting aside the Stephen's Ministry until God raises up someone to coordinate the ministry. The Elders discussed the fact that much one on one ministry is occurring often times as a result of small group ministry. The Elders agreed that the Stephen's Ministry will, for now, be set aside.

6. Pastor Dave Bruns provided training regarding Biblical Eldership. We all discussed the need for training in Bible doctrine. The possibility of a training class on Bible doctrine, similar to CLA, might be helpful.

The meeting was closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Steve Feazel, Secretary.

Next meeting is April 11, 2010