

May 3, 1966

The regular monthly meeting of our Church Council, held at United Evangelical Church, was called to order on Tuesday, May 3, 1966, by our President, Mr. J. Albert Eader, and opened with prayer by Pastor Rasche.

The reading of the minutes of the meeting held on April 12, 1966 were read and approved. Correction: Spiritual - Progress. Under New Business - outgoing request for transfer; Addressograph - Property. The financial report of receipts and expenditures was discussed and approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Property: Discussion started by Mr. G. Sauer concerning the red carpeting on the altar. Decision made to wait before changing.

A new sexton - Mr. Finnegan was hired May 3, 1966

Speed-O-Print - Mr. Block reported there has been a price change in the equipment. Will be ordered; the new price is \$239.00.

Messrs. Parker and Long continuing efforts to purchase a cabinet.

Membership: Progress

Altar: Progress

Fellowship: Progress

Calendar: Progress

Ushering: Progress

Music: Mrs. Arbalada has tried to maintain the Youth Choir but attendance has been poor, so it has been disbanded. A lengthy discussion concerning church music was held without any concrete decision. Further investigation by Messrs. Johnson and Eader will be undertaken. A committee of Messrs. Johnson, Eader, Bark and Parker will report on this subject at next meeting.

Spiritual: Progress

Finance: Mr. Johnson, because of the press of business, requested that Mr. E. Jones be accepted to do the weekly bookkeeping. Monthly statements and quarterly statements would still be issued by Mr. Johnson. A motion was made by Mr. W. Bark to accept Mr. E. Jones as Assistant Financial Secretary - seconded by Mr. R. Single and accepted.

Auditing: Progress

Enlistment: Met on 19th of April, Pastor Rasche, Mr. Faser and Mr. W. Single in attendance. Discussion held on ways to revitalize the church membership. Under financial aspect the membership committee would review for the past 5 years the financial contributions by the membership. Another aspect would be the home visitation program. A third idea would be Cottage Meetings on additional thoughts - possibly church dinner meetings. Consideration of a pledge system. Involve possibly a time, treasure and talent program to get a more active membership. A possibility of a telephone brigade to get with our membership. Consideration of a congregational meeting after a short Sunday service. Map of the areas in which the membership resides. Small groups invited to meet with the Pastor and/or Church Council. The basic purpose is to get the church membership enlisted more actively in church life.

Council discussion led to the point that present Council is sufficiently burdened. Leaders for the enlistment program should be others; possibly couples, who could actively work on the congregation which only occasionally attend.

Mr. Ed Schwartz graciously volunteered to map the church congregation. Prior to mapping, the membership must be tagged as to active or semi-active participation. Further meeting will be scheduled by Mr. W. Single.

OLD BUSINESS

Vacation Bible School - Mrs. Getz will head this - dates are June 20th to June 30th.
Spring Meeting of Association - 4 delegates voting and guests -
May 22nd - 3 P.M. - Protestant Community Church.
Meeting at Hood College - June 8th, 9th and 10th - Central Atlantic Conf.
Re-dedication of Sundayschool - June 5th

NEW BUSINESS - None

There was no further business to come before the Church Council at this time. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

William Voelker
Acting Recording Secretary