

January 29, 1984

The annual Congregational meeting of the United Evangelical Church was called to order by president, George Tuerk on Sunday, January 29, 1984 at 11:45 a.m.

Light refreshments were served.

The minutes from the previous Congregational meeting were read and approved as read.

Mr. Tuerk said financial booklet which was distributed to every one was made for all to read and to shorten the course of the meeting. Any questions pertaining to the book can be submitted to Council members or written and placed on collection plate.

Mr. Single made comments of the financial conditions of the church for Mr. Parker. He noted we exceeded budget by \$8,700.00, the year was successful and we succeeded ourselves.

Major problem is heating church and church school building. Heating is 8% to 10% of the budget. We joined Co-op Oil organization for fee of \$20.00 and this permits us to purchase fuel from Carroll Independent Oil Co. - a real saving. Members of the Congregation can join for a fee of \$2.00.

The search for a permanent pastor continues. The parsonage is in need of repairs.

The Church spent money to clean Friendship Hall and Kitchen.

Pastoral Search Committee is scheduled to meet on January 30th to interview a candidate from Southeast Pennsylvania. We have profiles on 15 or 16 candidates. We will set a priority list of these candidates. The Search will continue vigorously.

Co-op. brochure can be picked up at desk.

The ladies who worked hard to clean parsonage were thanked. Parsonage now available to Pastor and Mrs. Schaefer whenever necessary.

Future use of parsonage up in air. Some pastors want to have own home and others prefer parsonage. Future use of parsonage will be voted on by congregation as a whole. Church Council will recommend but congregation will make final decision.

Mr. Tuerk called on Pastor Schaeffer to say a few words. ~~Some~~ ~~pastors~~ Pastor thanked the people who worked so hard to clean parsonage; began on Thursday, Jan. 5th to instruct confirmation class; his services to Johns Hopkins Hosp. were inherited from Dr. Lehmann. adding it is a rich and rewarding experience-a hospital know all over the world; would like to see attendance printed in Sunday bulletin

so we can see our increase in attendance. Pastor Schaefer thanked us for our courtesy and warm welcome.

OLD BUSINESS - none.

NEW BUSINESS

Gift from Church School in the amount of \$500.00. Presented by Mr. Myers.

Mr. Myrick spoke regarding new Senior citizen home to be built on ground given by Zion Church adjoining their Church property. Mr. Myrick said they asked for \$5,000.00. Mrs. Fader read minutes from November, 1983 Church Council meeting. No decision made as ~~yet~~<sup>vet</sup> as we do not know how much we will have to spend to secure a new pastor.

The project will not be forgotten.

The question was asked about church having a bingo to make some money. Mr. Tuerk said organizations are now playing bingo and we have also had a raffle for the benefit of the Heat Fund.

A motion was made we adjourn. Pastor Schaefer closed the meeting with all saying in unison "The Lord's Prayer."

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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