

United Evangelical Church  
Council Meeting Minutes  
Of Meeting Held June 9, 2003

Attendance: Calvin Gundlach, Harvey Jacob, Samuel Jones, Jr., Bill Myers, Clarence Rowell, Darlene Waters, John Williams, Cass Young and Pastor Oatman.

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

Leslie Earl, chair of the Pastor-Parish Relation's Committee, gave a report on their meeting with the Pastor. Topics that were discussed:

- 1: Congregation poll on communion.
- 2: Water heater replacement in parsonage.
- 3: If outsiders to be invited to our 130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.
- 4: Monetary compensation same for 2003.
- 5: Social Security Benefits to be listed differently so it doesn't show up as taxable.

Minutes were corrected.

**Committee Reports:**

**Financial Report:** Calvin reported that year to date the church has a deficit of \$5,800.00. All bills and benevolences have been paid for May. Harvey reported that with a 1/4 of our expenses paid for year, our budget is even at this time.

**Correspondence:** Thank you cards were received from the Hamer Family and the Ermer Family for our memorials for their loved ones.

**Property:** We have never received our Legal Agreement papers from our lawyer concerning the property next to our Sunday school building. Window in Sunday school building was never bricked up like we were promised. Darlene made a motion and John seconded to have a contractor come in to finish this job. All Council members agreed to this motion. Estimated cost for elevator in narthex to hall is \$50,000.00. Chair lift in stairwell \$8,500.00 installed. Bill will continue to get more estimates. Baltimore City has given us \$2,900.00 for our expenses on clean up from water damages to the basement. An estimate of \$400,000.00 to fix lentils, reinforce roof and parapet wall. Council agreed this should be brought to the Congregation's attention at our November Congregation Meeting. A U.C.C. Cornerstone Fund Campaign was suggested for meeting the expense of fixing our building. Council agreed to let Bill call in a Plummer to look at pipes in Parsonage. Council agreed to let Darlene look into getting stripes painted for parking spaces on St Bridget's parking lot.

**Membership:** A Membership Committee meeting was held to edit the church's website.

**Altar:** Harvey reported for Ursula that the live flowers for the altar is doing well. The new oil candles are also doing well.

**Fellowship:** It was suggested that a 4<sup>th</sup> of July party be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the Sunday School Building. Robert will have to be notified of this to see if he would want to take on this endeavor. Council agreed if Robert is willing.

**Spiritual:** Pastor reported that George estimated we would need \$25,000.00-\$40,000.00 for new equipment for our Contemporary Worship Service. It was suggested we use equipment we have until service gets on its way. Membership Committee will do the marketing for this worship service. Committee is looking for music for our service. Committee is going to Central Presbyterian Church, 7301 York Rd. on June 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. to a contemporary service and is inviting the Church Council to join them. Pastor said our date to start service is September 29<sup>th</sup>, only if we are ready. Next meeting June 20<sup>th</sup>

**Calendar:** See 1<sup>st</sup> half of 2003 Church Events.

**Music:** Choir will have their end of season party on June 26<sup>th</sup>. Choir will end on June 29<sup>th</sup> and resume in September.

**Ushering:** O.K.

**Christian Education:** At our monthly meeting we worked on games for the Church Picnic.

**Pastor' Report:** See Pastor's report. George Lenning, representing Mission Without Borders, will be with us on Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. Chaplin John Oliver will preach on July 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Old Business:** D.C. Impact is not sure if they will have enough applicants for their session. Council agreed if they do not have enough people, they could cancel out their sessions.

**Adjournment:** At 9:30 p.m. the meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.