

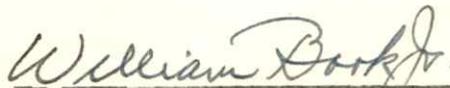
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A Congregational Meeting of the Church was held on the above date. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Rev. Lehmann. Mr. Fred Gross, President of the Church Council presided at the meeting. There was a very small attendance and the Church Council as a whole was very upset at the small turnout.

Mr. Fred Gross, President of the Church Council and Chairman of the Building Committee outlined before the members present the plans and ideas as to the erection and design of the proposed new church. Preliminary plans were submitted to the Congregation for their inspection and approval. Mr. Gross stated that a new Church would cost in the realm of \$198,000.00. Mrs. Virginia Gross brought up the question of how did the Congregation propose to raise the amount necessary to build the new church. This question was deferred until a later time. It was stated by a member of the congregation that about \$9,000 could be raised between now and when the new church would started to be built, that is in the Spring of 1955. This figure was arrived at by taking into consideration the amount of money contributed to the Building Fund on a monthly basis from past record. This will leave a balance of about \$80,000 to be borrowed.

Because of the small attendance Mr. Fred Gross did not feel that the small representation of the Congregation should make any decisions until more members of the church were present. Therefore, a Special Congregational Meeting was called for Friday, October 8, 1954. Rev. Lehmann thought it a good idea that Mr. Gross, President of the Church Council make the announcement from the Church rostrum on the two succeeding Sundays before the Special Congregational Meeting was to take place. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,



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