

Minutes
Evangelism Committee
Jan. 8, 2018

Meeting opened with prayer by Pastor Glenn

Those in attendance were, Pastor Glenn, Carolyn Barden, Linda Lou Austin and Kathie Miller

Absent, Diane Hebert, Maria VanDyke (Linda Lou Austin has joined our committee)

Pastor's Report:

Neither Jane Baker nor Melanie Brinkman are available to present about their programs, 'Human Smuggling' and 'Poverty' so we will table that outreach at this time.

Discussed how to have a community garden and whom would be the recipients of the food. Also how to run it. Pastor will investigate further on how these are run. Watering and care would be the issues and also how to protect from vandalism.

Linda Lou reported on the relationship with the Lion's Club. It is best that we have an ambassador directly with the Domestic Violence Shelter and the manager, Gabriella. Linda brought a sheet that lists the needs of the shelter that are on-going. We could present this list to the church through the email blast and/or have a designated day that members could bring donations for the shelter. Linda Lou was concerned that there is very little storage space at this time for the shelter so furniture is not possible however pots and pans and housewares are.

Regarding our on-going service to the food pantry, it was suggested that the group that has agreed to pick up the donations on the 3rd. Sunday, announce the reminder on the second Sunday. Kathie will contact the members taking care of that.

We had a discussion on how to make the name tags easier to maintain at church each week. We will set the name tag table outside the door for people to pick up before entering. Also we will make sure it is the last thing to go into the van. Pastor will put it in after Bible Study. Kathie will look into a better storage system for the name tags. Kathie will make a sign for the table.

Gift bags tabled till next month

New Business:

- Evangelism will help provide some of the supplies needed for the 5th Anniversary dinner. Maria VanDyk is mostly handling this project. A motion was made by Carolyn Barden, second, Linda Lou that we would donate up to \$200 towards the needs. Motion carried. It was suggested however that we try to get a Thrivent card for \$250. Kathie will check with Pastor on this. We discussed giving the center pieces as gifts, perhaps the oldest or youngest at the table or who has the closest birthday - will leave to Maria to handle this. It was suggested that we provide an actual calendar each month showing church functions, to include when the choir sings, the chimes play, special music, any church activity for the month. We show this each week in the bulletin and the blast but perhaps a calendar page would be helpful. We will continue this discussion.

Parish Nurse - Carolyn Barden will look into what is involved in providing monthly blood pressure checks for our congregation.

Tabled till Feb. having door to door food/personal care drive.

We will have a sign-up sheet for MLC shirts available by next Sun. Jan. 14.

Did not discuss but Kathie will be picking up the cake for Jan. 14, this coming Sat. and will bring to church.

The next meeting will be Feb. 12.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathie Miller