

Sharing Team
Monthly Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 11, 2014

Members Present: Tanya, Nancy, Meghan, Tammy, JoVaughn, Sandy

Opening Prayer: Tanya

Old Business:

1. Greeter Sign-Up: Tanya-December. Tammy suggested that next year we ask volunteers to sign up for two weeks at a time. The team agreed. We also discussed having hosts for a month who would engage visitors in conversation after they had been greeted at the door.
2. Canvassing: We will plan to do this again when the weather warms up.
3. I will order the *40 Days with Jesus* devotionals for first time visitors and as give-aways at public functions. Meghan will order the *Life Books* as gifts for teen visitors. Tanya suggested that we put these in the boxes of cookies for the college students that Rhonda Linsley is preparing on Dec. 7th. We will do this if the books arrive in time. These books are free from the Gideons.

New Business:

1. Administrative Council Notes: Sandy shared the following information:
 - Our budget request in the amount of \$3000 for 2015 was approved.
 - The parsonage has been sold. \$140,000: \$50,000 in savings and \$90,000 toward maintenance/repairs for the church
 - There will be a camping program of some sort next year.
 - Nov. 23rd the youth will be in charge of the service. There will be a party for the Leonards from 2-4 that day and we will be decorating the church for Christmas that day from 4-6.
2. Pastor Julius emailed Sandy an article: *5 Things First-Time Guests HATE Doing at Church*. Sandy read this short article to the team and they discussed which items we thought we needed to improve. More signage at doors and inside the church; engaging visitors in conversation after they have been greeted at the door; and putting up the visitor parking signs again were all ideas we intend to follow up on.
3. Stewardship: We discussed helping with Operation Christmas Shoebox and the Hospitality Room. Team members will check their schedules and help out whenever possible.
4. We decided to keep our meeting day on Tuesday, but we will change the time to 6:30 starting in December. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 6th at 6:30.
5. Tammy volunteered to keep the cabinet in the Fellowship Hall stocked with our supplies for first-time visitors.