

SEPTEMBER 2015

Flat Springs Baptist Church Members met for regular business conference on September 13, 2015 with Reverend Dr. Gary McCollough as moderator.

Opening scripture and prayer was by Reverend Dr. Gary McCollough.

The minutes were presented in written form and approved.

Johnny Bridges – Treasurer – presented the financial report in written form. It was noted that we will have a special called business meeting next Sunday to vote on the 2015-2016 Budget.

Reverend Matt Riggsbee – reported the following:

- Children – Wednesday Night Mission Groups and Awana start back. Be in prayer for these important times and for the families involved to be fully vested.
- Youth – Journey – Be in prayer for our youth group. We have such a great group and a good number of youth. Much prayer is needed with a younger group learning how to grow as Christians and become even more unified.
- Family Ministry – FSBC Family Ministry Calendar – Thorough but not exhaustive, calendar is out that shows most of the ministries and events through the course of the next church year. So, families mark your calendars and prioritize as the Lord leads.

Linda Wilson – WMU Director reported the following:

August was a busy month as we end the summer months and begin a new church year. **BLESSING BAGS & BOXES FOR THE HOMELESS:** On August 10, 6 Blessing Boxes of toiletries were delivered to Crystal Smith to distribute at CCCC to students in need, 20 Blessing Bags were delivered to the Women's Homeless Shelter and 20 bags to the Men's Homeless Shelter. Those bags included breakfast bars, cheese, crackers, fruit snacks, nuts, raisins, chicken salad, cereal, tissues, toothbrushes, and rain ponchos – lots of things they can use during the day when they must leave the shelter. THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH for sharing with these folks. The DORCAS Women on Mission enjoyed making the bags, and the children and youth enjoyed contributing items, sorting them, and stuffing the bags August 9.

Thank you, Matt, for your help as well. Matt assists me in so many ways, and I could not do all I do if it were not for him.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND MEAL FOR TEACHERS: Kay Gray was the Lead person to take a meal to Deep River School for the teachers on Wednesday, Aug. 19. The teachers were very appreciative of your thoughtfulness and all the delicious food they enjoyed at lunch that day.

You also contributed many school supplies for low-income students at Deep River School. Barbara Rosser was the Lead person in charge of this mission project and she delivered the supplies prior to school starting. Again, thanks so much for your generosity.

WMU OFFICER INSTALLATION & DINNER: All WMU leaders for the 2015-16

church year were installed Monday night, Aug. 31. Asst. WMU Director Karen Gaines had the tables decorated beautifully and the food was delicious thanks to her and Aaron. Macy and Jackson also helped them. Thanks to all who have agreed to serve as Women on Mission Facilitators and Wednesday night Leaders.

David Aycock – Chairman of the Nominating Committee – noted as a point of information – The Outreach Committee is beginning a new Sunday School Class with the approval of the Sunday School Director. This class will focus on people not currently connected with a class. Rev. Matt Riggsbee will lead this class with a focus on outreach.

David Aycock made a motion from the Nominating Committee to approve the additions and corrections as printed. Church Members voted approved. See attached sheet.

Davis Harris – Baptist Men’s Director – reminded everyone that Saturday, September 26 is church clean-up day 7:30 – 11:30 come and enjoy some fellowship and sprucing up the church. Next Sunday’s breakfast crew is Russell Marks, Joey Thomas, Daniel McFarland and Justin Covert. Reverend Gary will have the devotion. Ronald McDonald House for October is Team 6 – Frank Griffin, Benjamin Keck, Samuel Keck and Harry Haigler. Desert Angels are Martha Ragan and Lisa Leslie.

Brad Boisvert – Sunday School Director – reported an average attendance of 138 and an average offering of \$7,162.91 for the month of August.

Brad Boisvert – brought the following recommendation from the Personnel Committee that the church approve the updated Church Custodian Job Description. Comment from the Personnel Committee – this is a minor revision to better fit the job description to the present needs of the church and provide for signatures of the Personnel Committee Chairman and the Church Custodian. The church members voted and approved the recommendation.

Brad Boisvert brought the following recommendation from the Personnel Committee that the church approve Mr. Tim Clark as the permanent part time Church Custodian at a rate of \$13.00 an hour for a maximum of 12 hours. The church members voted and approved the recommendation.

Judith Nance – Discipleship Director – noted that a new Bible Study will begin “Complete Growth”. Please sign up if you are interested. Still working on a time and date.

Brent Smith – reported from the House & Grounds Committee – still working on the stairways and halls in the back near the Sunday School Office – it has been noted that the entrance to the new building is in need of repair. There is a 2” drop that needs repaired – replacing concrete and fixing drainage problems.

Lou Anne Griffin – secretary for the Medical Resource Committee – reported that the Committee is working on determining what does the church need, space being discussed to store equipment and supplies – and they are working on their “Policy”. Ronnie Page is Chairman of the Committee.

Martha Cagle – reported from the College Away Ministry – they have 13 students participating this year. The Committee has decided to send gift cards to the students instead of packages.

Bill Cotten – Chairman of the Diaconate – brought the following motion that the Church Year Begin September 1 and the Budget Year begin October 1. Policy’s being updated. The church members voted and approve the motion.

Jimmy Allen – Minister of Music – noted that a great time was had at the 5th Sunday Night – singing, food and fellowship. All music groups started last Wednesday night. Annette Keith is still recovering and I am filling in for her.

New Business:

Betsy Phillips made the motion that the church postpone the Deacon Election scheduled for today. 2nd by Gail Hickman. The floor was open for discussion. Bill Cotten noted that it had been discussed with Johnny Bridges and he had asked that the Deacon Election not be postponed. It was noted that Johnny Bridges had asked that his name be withdrawn from the ballot. Carol Smith questioned that we only had 5 names on the ballot with Johnny’s name removed. It was noted that there were only 3 Deacons to be elected and that there were 5 names to be chosen from. A vote by a show of hands noted that the motion failed.

Motion to adjourn was by Gail Hickman, 2nd by Lou Anne Griffin

Closing prayer was by Reverend Gary McCollough

Recorded by: Kim Harris

Approximately 59 members in attendance

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September 20, 2015
Special Called Business Meeting

Flat Springs Baptist Church members met for a Special Called Business Meeting for the purpose of approving the 2015-2016 Church Budget with Chairman of Deacons – Bill Cotten as moderator.

Opening prayer was given by Associate Pastor Matt Riggsbee.

Johnny Bridges, Church Treasurer and Chairman of the Finance Committee, stated “the budget offered for consideration was prepared after considering each request, each line item, and researching publications which offered guidelines and averages for other churches in North Carolina that met our parameters. I thank each member for their time and willingness to compromise on issues they felt strongly about, and this is the way it should be. The Committee moves for the adoption of this document as presented”.

After calling for a vote and there being no opposition, the motion to approve the 2015-2016 Church Budget, passed unanimously.

Closing prayer was given by Randy Keck.

Recorded by: Emma Cotten

Approximately 43 members in attendance.