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Board of Elders

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Minutes – Meeting of January 4, 2011

The January 4, 2011 Elders meeting was opened at 8:30 am with prayer by Pastor Phill. Pastor then shared with us a brochure that has been mailed to many households in our area, sent out by Seventh Day Adventists, publicizing a presentation on their view of what Revelation says about these times. Pastor brought out the fact that this church group teaches Millennialism (the 1000 year earthly reign of Christ) while we believe that we are currently living in the times described in Revelation. However, he was impressed by the quality of the church's marketing effort. The brochure was expensive.

Those in attendance were: Ron Pearson, Chuck Wasem, Paul Stuempfig, Don Poppen, Jack Skriden, Mike Krischler, Merv Tvinnereim, Ron Schumann, Mike Dill, Duane Neal and Pastor Phill. Absent: Don Lee, Tom Goodnight and Vicar Gary.

Pastor Phill led discussion on Chapter 17 (Baptism) of the book, *Called to Believe, Teach, and Confess*. We discussed a number of topics relative to this sacrament...whom should we baptize? how should it be done? how to follow up after the baptism of a non-member? At our next meeting, we will continue discussion on Chapter 17, "Baptism".

Minutes of the December meeting were approved as submitted.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Phill reported that, for the year 2010, our total membership is 819...down 17 from the beginning of last year. He also shared average attendance figures for the last 5 years. In 2010, our average attendance was 485, almost the same as in the previous year but down 82 from five years ago (2006).

Elder Reports

Each elder reported on zone activity in the past month. Most elders reported one or a few families in their zones in need of some follow-up. Don Fountain, husband of Louise Fountain, and Esther Trahms continue to be in failing health.

Church Council Report

Chairman Ron Pearson reported the following from the September Council meeting:

Treasurer's Report (October): YTD Revenue--\$694,636; Expenses--\$598,672.

Approved the expenditure of \$1,805 for Vicar Gary's tuition.

Approved taking \$5,000 out of the undirected Memorial Funds and placing it in the 25th Anniversary budget.

51 Current Month Communion Schedule

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53 Duty Elder, Jack Skriden. First and Third Sat., Jack Skriden and Don Lee. Second and Fourth
54 Sun., Merv Tvinnereim and Paul Stuempfig – early; Jack Skriden and Ron Pearson -- late.

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56 Old Business

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58 The 2011 Elder Duty Schedule was reviewed. No changes to the schedule were made
59 at this time. Pastor Phill stated that there will be the customary two Christmas Eve
60 services on Dec. 24, 2011 (a Saturday) and that there will be one Christmas Day service
61 on Sunday, Dec. 25.

62 Elders are to deliver pictorial directories to those in their zone who have not yet picked
63 them up.

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65 New Business

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67 Discussion on hymn singing vs. meditative piano/organ music during communion
68 distribution on Sunday...moved/seconded/approved to try this on one Sunday a month.
69 This is already being done at some Saturday communion services. Pastor Phill will talk
70 to Byron Blackmore about this.


71 The Hospital Visitation Schedule for 2011 was distributed.

72 There was discussion on better use of the video recordings of our services. Pastor Phill
73 noted that, because of new technologies, the most effective way to distribute the videos
74 will be to access them by streaming video through our church website. Discussion also
75 on what should be offered...sermon only, entire service, download bulletin to follow while
76 viewing service, etc. No action taken.

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78 The next Elders Meeting is scheduled for February 1, 2011 at 8:30 am. Mike Dill will have the
79 closing prayer.

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81 The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Ron Pearson at 9:40 am.

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87 Secretary, Board of Elders

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