**TLC Council Retreat**

**Saturday, January 31, 2015**

**9:00 –** Called to order – all members and Pastor in attendance

Pastor opened with meditation & discussion of the Paradigms for Mission Renewal

**10:00** – Council reviewed & brainstormed about goals set at last year’s retreat and

reviewed the TLC mission and vision statements

**Previous goals reviewed.**

**Immediate:**

Clean and update the nursery and add regular staffing on Sunday mornings (done)

Date night for couples with young children (postponed)

Art gallery reception for contributors to Fellowship Hall art gallery (postponed)

**1 year**

Parking lot party for neighborhood teens (possibly as part of 50th celebration)

Healthy initiative (underway via zumba and yoga)

Renovation of fellowship hall (begun and will complete over the next six months)

**3 year**

Day of service (possibly as part of 50th celebration)

Hoardes of youth (under discussion and prayer)

Additional initiatives not included in goals but currently taking place: splash program, revitalized and growing Sunday School classes, beer tasting classes, and others

TLC continues the to build community within our congregation through small groups and short term service projects (book discussion groups & painting rooms in church) and plan to add more.

Lengthy discussion regarding TLC involvement with IHS volunteer opportunities resulted in the following:

* Debtors support group – TLC can provide space – by summer
* Itinerant program – TLC can provide space – by summer
* Provide additional volunteers – TLC can incorporate a day of service in

the fall of 2015 and possibly assist more with the Wishing Well

(Christmas in July?)

* Weatherization & Budgeting in Centre co prison – will gather additional

information prior to making commitment. Best to have one project with a clear beginning and end.

* Christina will update the summary with input from Council and create a timeline.

Megan presented an in depth overview of plans for the 50th anniversary celebration, including budget and proposed funding ideas which will be incorporated into TLC’s ongoing goals for renewal and growth – overview received support and praise by council.

**1200 – Lunch**

Discussed fellowship hall renovation, including pricing and whether to complete renovation at one time or to renovate in stages, and how to fund renovations. There was support for completing the project this coming summer, and initiate a fundraising for TLC’s 50th anniversary for this and other projects.

Christina proposed hosting a pre-school/day care at Trinity and much discussion ensued – Pastor will secure regulations/guidelines from Patton Twp, Megan will contact another church for information and DPW and for directives, and Jeff will contact current employee of another church day care for information – further discussion at February’s meeting

**0100 –** Conversation about new sign for TLC – Pastor, Christina, Megan & Scott will

gather proposals to present at the February council meeting

Council will support Camp Sequanota initiative if Tim agrees to spearhead

Megan will pursue VBS evening program via Camp Sequanota

TLC is meeting the budget at this time and monies are available to fund various planned projects – we will explore combining our money with loan money and fund raising money

Megan moved that we “initiate a fund raising campaign for church improvements to honor our 50th anniversary, with a goal of $50,000 to be raised over the next 18 months” – the motion was seconded by John, and passed unanimously by council

Coffee hour discussion – Viki will communicate with Kathy and Pria to assist Brian with the coordination of a continued coffee hour

Brian will use the storage area for his cleaning supplies once the area is organized

**0205 –** Retreat adjourned at 0205 with The Lord’s Prayer

Submitted by

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