



Elders Meeting 11/20/17

Attendance

D. Dunnam, J. Roberson, E. Allen, M. Loolara, A. Hunter, J. Fralick, H. Dean, T. Thompson, E. Myers, H. Dean

Opening Prayer

I Financial Update

Mrs. Amy Hunter presented and reviewed the financials for the month of October.

- **General Fund** = \$ 460K, **Designated** = \$ 300K, **Disaster Relief** = \$ 428K, **ELC** = \$ 62K
 - Reviewed separate statement that listed all of the Disaster Relief monies to date including, Income, Expense Categories, Total Expense and Net Income.
- **Disaster Relief** – Statement as of
 - Total Balance as of 10/1/17 = \$426K
 - Total Month Donations = \$4K
 - Total Expenses = \$2K
 - Net Balance 10/30/17 = \$428
- **Church Month Expenses** = \$197K, Giving = \$188K , Variance = \$9K
- **Current Building Note Balance** – \$3,909,768
- Reviewed Monthly Bank Statements, P&L, Income Statement, as well as Offering Statement YTD.

II Devotional & Prayer

1 Samuel 30:1-8

30 Now it happened, when David and his men came to Ziklag, on the third day, that the Amalekites had invaded the South and Ziklag, attacked Ziklag and burned it with fire, ² and had taken captive the women and those who *were* there, from small to great; they did not kill anyone, but carried *them* away and went their way. ³ So David and his men came to the city, and there it was, burned with fire; and their wives, their sons, and their daughters had been taken captive. ⁴ Then David and the people who *were* with him lifted up their voices and wept, until they had no more power to weep. ⁵ And David's two wives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the widow of Nabal the Carmelite, had been taken captive. ⁶ Now **David was greatly**

distressed, for the people spoke of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and his daughters. **But David strengthened himself in the LORD his God.** ⁷ Then David said to Abiathar the priest, Ahimelech’s son, “Please bring the ephod here to me.” And Abiathar brought the ephod to David. ⁸ So David inquired of the LORD, saying, “Shall I pursue this troop? Shall I overtake them?” And He answered him, “Pursue, for you shall surely overtake *them* and without fail recover *all*.”

Strengthen Yourself in the Lord.

- David returned to a scene of devastation.
- They had lost their families, their homes their possessions.
- When this happened to them, despair followed.
- When something tragic happens to us despair can follow.
- The Lord doesn’t want us there.
- We have a choice.
- David had a choice.
- David decided to strengthen himself in the Lord.
- When we are in despair, we should do the same.

III Ministry Update

	Worship	Sunday School
	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
October 1	858	577
October 8	926	639
October 15	840	559
October 22	814	536
October 29	806	530

IV Facilities Update

- **ELC** – ELC is and will continue operated as a self-sufficient operation. Ms. Beth’s position will be part of that budget (Preschool and ELC Coordinator).
- **Children’s Ministry Director** –Ms Deleece will start next Monday (after church vote) into this position and be paid out of regular personnel payroll.
- **Termite treatment** – Terry P. still getting a several quotes for this service. This will be for the student worship center. (No Change)
- **AC Units** – there are a few AC units still down as a result of losing a power phase this past Sunday AM. Working through the issue this week with Star.

- **Living Quarters Building** – add skirting. A little more to do with the boring to be completed. (No Change)
- **Education building** – AC drip pan clogging and subsequent overflow from the pans resulted in damage in the children’s worship center. Insulation and sheetrock will need to be replaced. Our maintenance team is assessing the situation. (No Change)
- **Light Fixtures Sanctuary** – Continuing to look at lighting fixture replacement in the main sanctuary. We will be looking at several different scenarios for replacement. The present system cannot receive the replacement LED lighting due to the type of “cans” that we have. Bro Andy continuing to investigate options. (No Change).
- **December 24th – Sunday Morning Sunday School** – Christmas Eve service – 10:30 service only – No Sunday School.

V Executive Session

VI New Business

- **Upcoming Business Meeting -11/26/17** - 6:30 PM Devotion and Business Meeting
 - Audit – will be going over the financials for the church. The P&L for the year and the itemized.
 - 2018 Budget – To take a vote on the 2018 budget at the business meeting
 - Church Loan – Bro Dale will discuss the loan. To be paid off in 10 years.
 - Ms Deleece – we will vote on her this Sunday and she will give a brief presentation on the program.
- **Pastor’s Phone Numbers** – consider making their numbers available to the church.
 - **On call Minister** – consider putting minister on call for needs from congregation after hours.
- **Parking lot area** – where we have the parking ministry. Surface area is still a concern.

Closing Prayer