



Elders Meeting 12/18/17

Attendance

T. Perkins, 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 November.

- **General Fund** = \$ 455K, **Designated** = \$ 302K, **Disaster Relief** = \$ 413K, **ELC** = \$ 54K
 - Reviewed separate statement that listed all of the Disaster Relief monies to date including, Income, Expense Categories, Total Expense and Net Income.
- **Church Month Expenses** = \$182K, Giving = \$213K , Variance = \$31K
- **Current Building Note Balance** – \$3,886,838
- Reviewed Monthly Bank Statements, P&L, Income Statement, as well as Offering Statement YTD.

Ministry Update

	Worship	Sunday School
	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
November 5	1160	552
November 12	857	639
November 19	798	525
November 26	797	525

II Devotional & Prayer

Psalm 46

God *is* our refuge and strength,

A very present help in trouble.

²Therefore we will not fear,

Even though the earth be removed,

And though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;

³*Though* its waters roar *and* be troubled,

Though the mountains shake with its swelling. *Selah*

⁴*There is* a river whose streams shall make glad the city of God,

The holy *place* of the tabernacle of the Most High.

⁵God *is* in the midst of her, she shall not be moved;

God shall help her, just at the break of dawn.

⁶The nations raged, the kingdoms were moved;

He uttered His voice, the earth melted.

⁷The LORD of hosts *is* with us;

The God of Jacob *is* our refuge. *Selah*

⁸Come, behold the works of the LORD,

Who has made desolations in the earth.

⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;

He breaks the bow and cuts the spear in two;

He burns the chariot in the fire.

¹⁰Be still, and know that I *am* God;

I will be exalted among the nations,

I will be exalted in the earth!

¹¹The LORD of hosts *is* with us;

The God of Jacob *is* our refuge. *Selah*

Key Take Away:

- We need to remember that no matter what happens, no matter what we face, God is our refuge and our strength. This covers everything in our lives.
- Anything that we face in life, we don't have to be troubled.

- We do need to take responsibility or take action but in doing so, do what the Lord would have us do.
- He is to be our refuge. We must walk in obedience and submission to Him.

III Executive Session

IV Facilities Update

- **Underground water leak – (between gym and Youth Bulding)** discovered an underground leak. This is a water feed line to the gym. Old piping that will need to be replaced. We are in the process of getting the piping replaced.
- **Sewer System** – Continued issue with system that discharges from the kitchen in the gym. We are experiencing a grease type “crust” on the tank. Looking at an aeration system to assist.
- **Main building – Nursing Room** – leak in piping under concrete at a faucet in the lavatory area. Will need to remediate a bit of concrete to fix this area.
- **Outdoor Lighting** – continuing to work on lighting for the gravel parking lot area on the south side of the Youth Building (front of gym). Currently working on the footings and painting the poles.
- **Main Sanctuary Foyer** – looking at front wall where we are seeing bubbled paint. We are anticipating another leak. Have been in contact with Firmin Construction and are looking for them to come out and assess the situation to confirm if there is an issue..
- **Education building** – Roof exhaust leaking. This is in the process of getting repaired but was a result of some recent work we had done in order to reduce the humidity in the attic space of the building to eliminate AC condensation and leakage onto ceiling tiles.
- **Light Fixtures Sanctuary** – Continuing to look at lighting fixture replacement in the main sanctuary. Bro Andy continuing to investigate options. (No Change).

V Goals / Events 2018

- **Key Events and Dates for 2018** – Bro Tony passed out and briefly discussed a booklet on the “Key Events” and dates for 2018. The information contained everything from the start of a 21 Day Prayer and Fast to Resurrection Sunday events, VBS, Freedom Sunday (July), Fall Family Fellowship, Thanksgiving Gumbo, Christmas Schedule and Truth Conference. Also contained in the information were the Ministry Goals of each GSBC Ministry.

VI New Business

- **Action Items**

- Welcome Fellowship -1/7 – Sunday Night –Bro Brian Robertson
- Installation Service – 1/14 – Sunday Night –Bro Brian Robertson
 - Jeremy Daily – Appreciation -that evening after service

Closing Prayer