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Reflections

As you read this, we have said good bye to 2018 and are heading into 2019 with hope and joy in our hearts for all the wonderful blessings that will be heading our way in the new year. This will be my last reflection to you in the newsletter and I wanted to use it to thank everyone at the church for everything you did for me this past year. It truly has been a blessing to get to know so many wonderful people. I wish I could thank everyone in person but I hope you will accept my gracious thanks by way of this newsletter.

We all have so much to be thankful for even when things don't seem like they are going our way. As we begin this new year, always

remember to show thanks to God in all we do and know that God is with us every step of our journey in this life. Continue to do works of good through the church by reaching out to those in need and putting others ahead of ourselves. And remember in times of joy and in times of sorrow we can always turn to God as our strength and guiding light.

May the new year bring you nothing but peace, joy, and happiness in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

Blessings,
Bill Oliver

To the members of Snow Creek Christian Church,

Beth and I want to thank you for your love gift the other Sunday. There are no words to express how grateful I am for the love I have felt from each of you as I have been with you. We feel blessed each day for having you in our lives and thank you for everything you have done for us. Our wish and prayer is that God continues to bless Snow Creek Christian Church for many years to come.

Blessings,
Bill and Beth Oliver

The fruit of the Spirit is Love, Joy, and Peace
Galations 5:22



*THANKS FOR EVERYTHING
REVEREND BILL. WE WILL
MISS YOU. BEST WISHES TO
YOU AND BETH IN THE
FUTURE. DO NOT FORGET TO
VISIT US!*





Board Minutes

Snow Creek Christian Church Board Meeting

11-November-2018

Del Smith called the meeting to order. Del had our opening prayer. Minutes were reviewed. Ruth made a motion to approve and Gusta seconded the motion, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report- G.B. had the following Union bank statements. The church's general checking account with deposits and debits listing the payee for the church's main account as well as the backpack account. G.B noted that the breakfast fundraiser is dispersed with the breakfast going to the church's main account and the craft sales going to backpack.

Bud Hippisley will be taking over the treasurer's position. He is currently working to get the issue resolved with the IRS.

George made a motion to approve the report and Ruth seconded the motion, motion carried.

Pastor's Report- Bill made 22 visits the month Oct/Nov people either at home, hospital or in a nursing facility. He also met with 3 other ministers involved in the Community Thanksgiving service that Snow Creek will be hosting on Sunday, November 18th.

Bill wanted to give thanks to Ken Beall for leading the Children's moment during worship service on November 11. The whole congregation would like to join Bill in thanking Ken for the inspiring and touching moment he shared with the children as well as the adults during the service in which we were honoring our veterans.

Bill would like to encourage every member of the church to attend the services we have coming up during Thanksgiving and the Advent season. He also would encourage everyone to bring a friend. He would like to see attendance pick back up as well as grow. Bill would like to encourage each of us to step up and help out in efforts to continue the work the church is doing in going forward. Bill's time with us is soon nearing the end.

Committee Reports-

Finance- G.B. said the church is currently taking in around \$50,000.00 annually which is about \$20,000.00 short of what is needed for operating expenses. G.B. also had the 2018 and 2019 operating budget outlined and detailed. The budget will be presented at the congregational meeting on November 25th.

Property- Kay said they were working on getting the light on the front porch of the parsonage fixed. They are not having much luck getting anyone to work on the gutters. So far there have not been any more issues with the basement flooding. The sump pump that was installed was not what they were expecting however if the gutters stay cleaned out the water has not been draining back into the basement.

We need to determine the cause of the AEP bill jumping from \$19.00 to \$60.00. G.B. said they are going to check the hot water heater. Phil suggested they check the thermostats while they

are checking the elements.

There was discussion about renting the parsonage and possibly checking into renting to some of the pipeline workers. G.B. will talk to Tracy this week.

Outreach- George said they had put together the list for Christmas baskets this year and it would be a total of 12 baskets.

The church as well as other donors has received a letter from Snow Creek school in regards to augmenting the backpack program this year. There seems to be more need for assistance this year as some students are in need of more generosity. There was a suggestion made that presents be limited to \$40.00 each child and only 1 outfit per child. It was also mentioned that possibly the offering from the Thanksgiving service be donated to aid in assistance with this. Bill suggested maybe looking at an individual to give to as versus a group. There will be more discussion at a later date.

Thad and Dale Montgomery give an annual donation of \$400.00 to backpack.

Old Business- Troy was going to close everything out with the Wells Fargo accounts during the transition from Troy to Bud.

New Business- The church will give out the usual fruit and candy bars during the Christmas program. Michele Beall has agreed to help Janet out with financial secretary. Phil Winn has volunteered to be District Representative.

The Nomination Committee presented the list of officers and their terms. Gusta made a motion to approve and Vivian seconded the motion, motion carried. This will be presented at the Congregational meeting on November 25th.

Pastoral Search- The church is still getting names for pastors from the regional office but there has not been anything promising

Calendar of Events-

Community Thanksgiving on November 18th.

Congregational meeting November 25th to vote on 2019 budget as well as go over current and new officers.

The Christmas program will be December 16th at 6:00 PM.

Bill plans to do a Christmas Eve service at 9:00 PM on December 24th.

Other- The church will give the usual monetary gifts this year as they have in past years. We will be taking up a love offering at the end of upcoming worship services to be applied towards those gifts.

Vivian made a motion to adjourn and Janet seconded, meeting adjourned.

Bill had our closing prayer.

Meeting Adjourned,

Respectively Submitted,

Susan Walker, Secretary

Snow Creek Christian Congregation Meeting

25-November- 2018

The 2019 list of officers as well as elders and Diaconates were presented to the congregation for approval. Ken made a motion to approve the list and Ruth seconded the motion, motion carried.

The congregation was also presented with a purposed operating budget for 2019. Ken made a motion to accept the budget and Ruth seconded the motion, motion carried.

Andrew made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Susan Walker, Secretary

Y o u t h N e w s





CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AND YOUTH SUNDAY OF THE YOUTH AND CHILDREN WERE GREAT! THANKS TO ALL WHO COORDINATED AND PARTICIPATED IN THOSE EVENTS.

YOUTH SUNDAY







Upcoming Events

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| January | 6 | 7:30 am | Men's Prayer Breakfast |
| January | 13 | | Board Meeting after service |



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Krystal Washburn
- 3 Ed Ingram
- 4 Tyler Jordan, Ryan Haynes
- 8 Nancy Compton, Patricia Brown
- 9 Vickie Washburn
- 11 Phil Winn
- 12 Michelle Via
- 13 Lisa Shepherd
- 16 Ashlee Washburn Dalton
- 17 Nancy Martin
- 22 Jonathan Mitchell
- 23 Donald Via
- 24 Colton Haynes
- 29 Curtis Washburn
- 31 Lacey Mitchell

- 20 Mike & Pam Doyle

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