

Thalia UMC Church Council  
September 19, 2011

Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. with a prayer led by Charles Winstead

Minutes from the previous meeting were corrected as follows: Dane Mills' daughter's last name is spelled Knutsen. Motion made (Judy Granlund) and seconded (Rusty Barton) to approve. Minutes were approved as corrected.

Committee Reports

Program Council - Dane Mills presented. Report filed.

Trustees - Steve Finlayson - Report filed

Stewardship - Mark McKinney - Heart of Giving, this year's stewardship campaign is going well. Heart Cards are being displayed. The focus is our need as Christians to give because Christ gave to us. Consecration Sunday is Oct 9

Finance - Report filed. Old

Business - none

New Business - Pastor David reported that Charge Conference will be Nov. 14, here at Thalia in conjunction with Lynnhaven UMC. It will begin with a time for worship. The emphasis will be: How can we re-orient how we do things to accomplish the mission of the church? We will examine the notion of "fruitfulness." We need to work up a process for evaluating our fruitfulness in areas such as worship attendance, how much is given to missions, how effective and diverse our small groups are (Bible studies, Sunday School classes, music ministries, et). We must look at the past few years and project into the future. The mainline denominations are getting older, but our primary mission is to all ages. How fruitful are our activities? We must build upon what we have already done. Some ministries may no longer be effective; new ministries may have to be introduced.

Our next Church Council meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 1.

We need to set measurable goals we would like to see realized. Resources are available online. Pastor has list.

Bill White made a suggestion that we obtain a recorder for the secretary to use during the meetings. Charles has one that can be used.

Rawleigh Clary - condition has worsened  
Lois Moore - knee replacement - infected  
Birdie Mae Manning - health deteriorating

Closing Prayer was offered by Mark McKinney.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo-Ann Raber  
Recording Secretary

Attendance:

Jo-Ann Raber  
Charles Winstead  
Joyce Gaus  
Russ Lincoln  
Rusty Barton

Bill White  
Pastor David  
Pat Winstead  
Mark McKinney  
Judy Granlund

Dane Mills  
Steve Finlayson  
Jeri Burtchell  
Bruce Grubb  
Joan Averette