

Evangelism Committee Meeting Minutes

November 3, 2008

6:00 p.m.

In attendance: Dee Lancaster, Craig Czarnota, Kendall Lancaster, Ruby Ludwig, Pastor Karen Oehl, Penny Lienert, and Karen Thielman,

Opening prayer by Craig Czarnotta

Reviewed minutes from the October 6, 2008 meeting. A change was made to read "It was decided that the letter would go out first and then call in several weeks to introduce yourself as the person sending the letter." The minutes were approved as changed.

OLD BUSINESS

The Evangelism budget balance remains at \$261.

Pastor Karen announced that 265 people were attending Sunday school. They have not experienced problems with parking.

Pastor Karen gave us the birthdays of the Special Care People we have had assigned to us previously.

Unattending Members Outreach – Will be several months before we have a new list.

Regular Attending Visitors – letter to be sent and then a contact. There was discussion regarding the contact, when and where this would take place – contact at church or at their home would both be fine.

Areas:

1. North of 82 and west of 21 - Craig and Liz
2. North of 82 and east of 21 - Karen Oehl
3. South of 82 and east of 21 - Ruby and Kendall
4. North of 82 and west of 21 - Penny and Catherine
5. Independence, Seven Hills, Parma - Dee
6. North Royalton, Broadview Heights (west of 176) - Marilyn
7. Northfield, Sagamore Hills – Karen Thielman and Kathy

Discussed current contacts:

First time: deliver loaf of bread with a small note inside

Second contact: Pastor Karen's Letter

Third contact: Neighbor letter

Fourth contact: Neighbor contact by phone, visit or meeting at church

NEW BUSINESS

New Member Classes will be in 2 parts:

November 16 – During Sunday School hour (Ruby, Dee and Karen to help)

Tuesday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m. (Penny, Kendall, and Craig, with Kathy for child care)

December 14 – New Members to join the church at service of their choice (8:45 or 11:15)

Lighting of Brecksville Square – November 30 – requesting Evangelism member's to assist.

City provides cookies

McDonalds provides hot chocolate

Dave Lienert and Dick Hayes to assist Nancy & Skip Smith and Catherine Vastartis

Craig Czarnotta presented an idea of a "Brown Bag Lunch" with music provided. The music team is discussing this idea and evangelism may have some role in this.

Craig also suggested providing some type of outreach to the V.A. Hospital in Brecksville - Kendall will make a contact with VA personal to see what they might need.

Don Krolokowski will coordinate with local papers for any articles or BUMC news that the committee feels should be publicized to the local communities.

Dee closed in prayer.

Next meeting will be Monday, December 1st at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Karen Thielman