

## Pilgrim United Methodist Church

### White House Meeting

November 11, 2009

The White House meeting was opened in prayer by Eric Harger. Those present were: Ed Lamb, Dave Kudwa, Darcy Hallenbeck, Dwight Pierson, Howard Williams, Carol Egres, Chris Cornell, Pastor Ken, and Kathy Lindner, recording secretary. Shirley Rennells was present for a portion of the meeting.

### Old Business

The All House meeting on November 2<sup>nd</sup> went very well. Several were very blessed by the Spirit House Prayer Retreat that was held at the church.

### Special Request

Shirley Rennells made a special fund request for YABS. The group is doing an outreach program that will have them making gift baskets. They will include the Jesus DVD, the four spiritual laws, popcorn, and hot chocolate mix. The cost of the baskets would be approximately \$12.00. They will take orders from the church family. A temporary loan is needed to purchase the Jesus DVD's. The purchase can be put on a credit card, and paid under Miscellaneous Account.

YABS is also sponsoring a Thanksgiving dinner, and will need help to purchase the food. They would like to open this up to the community. She will check with Krogers, Walmart, and Save a Lot for donations. PUMC will furnish \$1000. The money will come from the Special Events fund, and Pilgrims in Missions.

### New Business

Pastor Ken has been fact gathering for a Winter Revival at P.U.M.C. Evangelist John Barrett of the United Methodist Church is available February 13-17, 2010. He would plan to meet with the White House on Saturday evening. He would have charge of the two Sunday morning services, and also Sunday through Tuesday evenings. Since Wednesday (the 17<sup>th</sup>) is Ash Wednesday, Pastor will see if he could stay through Wednesday evening.

The church would be responsible for his flight here. There would be a free will offering each service for him. He prefers staying at a church family home instead of a hotel.

The plan is to have small groups meet after the evangelist is here.

The White House agreed to move ahead with this plan.

The next item on the agenda is to prioritize projects for the church. There are several needs, the most immediate is more storage space. One thought was to build a pole-building, or a fellowship hall. However there is a need for more Sunday school classroom space, and also additional office space. The parking lot is an ongoing repair and improvement process. Additional lighting is needed in the parking lot, and we need to take a look at the roadway transition. How do we do this? Hire a consultant? Have the Trustees meet with people of the church and bounce off ideas? Space for people is definitely needed. The Trustees will prioritize the list.

### White House Reports

**Disciple House** Carol Egres reported a good turnout at the All House meeting. The Men for Jesus attendance has been down. The hunters breakfast is coming up. The Library is updated, and they have recycled the old books. Linda Kelly is the new secretary. Sunday School update was given by Flo Benson. The women's Bible Study Group is studying Ephesians.

**Mission House** Howard Williams said he is excited about the Shoebox Ministry again this year. In the boxes a salvation message is included. Kids can go to a special 6-8 week course for follow-up. Another Haiti mission trip is planned for 2010. He is requesting \$3000. for this trip. White House agreed the money will come from the following: Leadership Team, Pilgrims in Mission, and Special Events.

**Lay Leadership** Darcy Hallenbeck said the Nomination/Leadership Development Committee are praying to fill vacancies in the Houses.

**Lay Leader** Chris Cornell has done some checking on getting a consultant to help us take a good look at what we really need at PUMC, and how to do it. The price for Living Stone Associates, a Christian consulting firm starts at \$13,500 for the basic package, and goes up to \$17,000 to get Eddie Hall himself. Extended coaching is included in the above prices. Due to the amount involved, it would need to go to the congregation first for approval. After much discussion, it was decided to see what comes out of our Evangelism Drive first. We need to move forward, and address our needs in Facilities, Finance, Staffing, and Ministry.

**PPRC** Dave Kudwa wanted to thank the White House for helping sponsor their Africa trip. It was a real blessing to all those that went. We are finishing up a good year.

**Trustees** Dwight Pierson reported the closing went through on the Price Church building. It was sold to Faith Fellowship Bible Church.

**Finance** Ed Lamb requested the rest of the budgets be turned in.

**Vision Team** Pastor Ken reports a shift in the Vision Team. Twenty-five people within the church will have a new structure designed from John Ed Mathison's book. Evaluations are done on the following: Facilities, Staffing, Ministries, and Finance. Our vision needs to be well defined before we have any consultants come in. Do we have the collective knowledge and skills within our congregation to make determinations on facilities without having a firm come in? We need to pray for the right decision as to where God is leading PUMC.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed in prayer by Dave Kudwa.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Lindner  
Recording Secretary