



Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church Newsletter



June - August 2015

Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church Greeneville, Tennessee Stated Meeting of Session May 31, 2015

The monthly meeting of Session, at which a quorum was present, was held at the church on Sunday, May 31, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. Present were Moderator Rev. Dr. Brian Wyatt, elders Jimmy Lister, Lisa Balabas, Janice Roberts, Paul Burkey, Charlie Harmon, Charles Brumley, John Morrell and Sandra Carter.

Charles Brumley opened the meeting with devotion and prayer.

Minutes from the March 29 Stated Session Meeting were approved as distributed.

Moderator Wyatt reported on his activities for April and May 2015.

Treasurer's Report

	Jan-Apr	May	Year-to-date
Collected	\$35,418.00	\$6,971.00	\$42,389.00*
Needed to meet budget	\$33,496.56	\$9,851.93	\$43,348.49
Difference	\$1,921.44	\$-2,880.93	\$-959.49
Five Cents a Meal	\$304.15	\$49.30	\$353.45
Building Fund (roof pledges)	\$530.00	\$105.00	\$635.00

Committee Reports

Mission Interpretation and Stewardship

The Pentecost offering total was \$550. The Cemetery offering was \$3,650.00. An update on the loan status: \$630.50 was paid directly into the Cemetery Fund from Nov. 2014 through Feb. 2015, as repayment on \$1,350.00 loan, and an additional \$530.00 has been placed in the Building Fund from "Roof" pledges since February. The committee discussed letting the building fund bank account increase before paying the loan back to the cemetery fund.

Building

Charles's committee met and discussed buying cabinets to hold music for the choir room. He made a motion on behalf of his committee, to the session, that the Jeanette Cross memorial money be used to make the purchase. All were in favor.

Cemetery

The cemetery committee met and discussed the possibility of moving the fence down to the new property line behind the cemetery/pavilion. Charlie made a motion on behalf of his committee that the fence be moved. Motion carried.

Nurture

The committee met and discussed the fall retreat and possible theme ideas. A fellowship breakfast has been scheduled for June 28 during the Sunday school hour.

Youth

Youth program will convene for the summer. The committee will meet in August to discuss the upcoming months and possible activities.

New Business

Charles Brumley has volunteered to be elder commissioner to the Stated Presbytery Meeting at First Presbyterian Church, Kingsport, on June 6, 2015.

A request has been made by Josh Cutshaw to reserve the church as a backup for his wedding on Saturday, September 19, 2015 in case of inclement weather. He works at GL&P, is a friend of the Bowers family. Janice made a motion that we allow him to use the church. Paul seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Next Stated Session Meeting is scheduled for July 26, 2015.

Having no further business, Paul made a motion, seconded by Janice the meeting adjourn.

Moderator Wyatt closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Carter
Clerk

Rev. Dr. Brian Wyatt
Moderator

**Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church
Greeneville, Tennessee
Stated Meeting of Session
July 26, 2015**

The monthly meeting of Session, at which a quorum was present, was held at the church on Sunday, July 26, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. Present were Moderator Rev. Dr. Brian Wyatt, elders Jimmy Lister, Charles Brumley, Kimra Crocker and Sandra Carter. Elders not present were Charlie Harmon, Janice Roberts, Lisa Balabas, John Morrell and Paul Burkey.

Moderator Wyatt opened the meeting with devotion and prayer.

Minutes from the May 31 Stated Session Meeting were approved as distributed. Moderator Wyatt reported on his activities for June and July.

Treasurer's Report

	June	July	Year-to-date (30 June-15)
Collected	\$6,703.00	\$5,676.00	\$49,092.00
Needed to meet budget	\$7,881.54		\$51,230.03
Difference			-\$2,138.03

Committee Reports Building

Charles reported there is a small leak in the roof over the nursery. He has checked and believes it is near the chimney. He has contacted a contractor to further investigate the leak and repair the problem.

Cemetery

An estimate has been quoted on the job of removing the old fence along the cemetery and replacing it with new fencing. Approximately 600 feet of old fencing needs to be removed. Approximately 1000 feet of new fencing will be replaced. The cost is \$6,000.00. The project will be done by Buford Davis. Charles made a motion seconded by Kimra that the project take place and the funding come from either the Cemetery Fund or the Cemetery Investment Fund. Motion carried.

Worship

Fall picnic is scheduled for August 23

New Business

Elder Charles Brumley, commissioner, reported on the Stated Presbytery meeting held on June 6, 2015.

The next Stated Presbytery meeting is on September 8 at Holston Camp. The next

Stated Session Meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2015.

Having no further business, Jimmy made a motion, seconded by Kimra that the meeting adjourn.

Moderator Wyatt closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mission Interpretation & Stewardship Committee

25 August 2015

The Mission Interpretation and Stewardship (MIS) Committee met August 25th for its regular bi-monthly meeting.

The following people attended: Paul Burkey (Chair), Receiving Treasurer Marilyn Brumley, Disbursing Treasurer Sandra Carter, Doyle Edmondson, Joyce Whittenburg, and Doug Roberts.

Sandra and Marilyn provided our current financial status. As of meeting time, we had slightly more than \$10,000 in the general fund. Year-to-date general fund giving is \$59,670 which is about \$9,000 behind pace for the year. While we are ahead of giving for the same time last year, we noted that we have experienced the normal drop off for the summer months. We also need to encourage a rebound as we move into the fall because we have a larger budget than we had last year.

The Committee discussed and approved funding the Montreat Conference in September for Olivia Marengo.

There are two special offerings between now and the next MIS Committee Meeting. They are the Building Fund offering on 30 Aug and the Peace and Global Witness Offering on the first couple Sundays in October.

The Emergency Fund for 2015 has \$500 that has not been used yet.

The Committee spent the balance of its time discussing and approving a recommendation to Session for the 2016 budget. We reviewed the precepts and explained the basis for how Brian, Paul, Marilyn, and Sandra prepared draft that the Committee considered. After modifications, the Committee approved a recommendation that Paul will present to the Session on 27 September.

The meeting adjourned with prayer by Paul.

The next MIS Committee meeting will be in late October or early November.

Paul Burkey

Timber Ridge Presbyterian Women

August 10, 2015

Our meeting was held at the church with nine women in attendance. They were: Wanda Bowers, Vicki Trentham, Marilyn Brumley, Zelma Edmondson, Eleanor Lowery, Beth Morrell, Lee Anne Shelton, Joyce Whittenburg, Edwina Catron.

Joyce thanked Wanda for being our hostess. She asked for announcements and prayer requests and led us in prayer. Our purpose was read in unison. Joyce read from the Mission Yearbook and concluded with prayer. Edwina led our discussion of Lesson 6 of our Bible study entitled "The Aroma of God Among Us".

Our business meeting began with the reading of the minutes from our May meeting. One correction was made and they were approved. The treasurer reported a balance of \$716.44. She also announced that the "Networkers Malaria Prevention" name has been changed to a more health encompassing program "Healthy Women Healthy Families".

Marilyn said that we received a thank you note from Sunset Gap. Beth shared a letter to the Presbyterian Women from Ethan Self.

Our mission projects for the month were Contact Ministries and Ethan Self. Vicki motioned that we give the same amount as last year to Contact which was \$200, Lee Anne seconded and all were in favor.

Wanda made the motion, that we contribute \$200 to Ethan's commissary fund, Beth seconded, and all were in favor.

Our offering was taken. There was no new business. We will begin collecting items for Sunset Gap on September 13th and will continue until the end of October. The meeting was closed with the Mizpah Benediction and we were treated to delicious refreshments served by our hostess, Wanda Bowers.

Our next meeting will be on September 14th at the home of Beth Morrell. The Mission interpretation will be given by Ruth Burkey and Dr. Wyatt will lead Lesson 7 of our Bible study. Lisa will prepare communion on September 6th and our search committee (Zelma and Lee Anne) will give their report.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Morrell, Secretary

Anniversaries

Mr. & Mrs. Randy Trentham	September 07
Mr. & Mrs. Shawn Balabas	October 10
Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Purington	October 12
Mr. & Mrs. Tony Bird	October 25
Mr. & Mrs. Roger Kelly	November 10
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Bowers	November 14
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Burkey	November 24

Happy Birthday

Rev. Margaret Burkey	September 05
Brian Wyatt	September 12
Barbara Jean Smith	September 16
Spencer Morrell	September 19
Dan Burkey	September 20
Louise Kelly	September 23
Zelma Edmondson	September 24
Garrett Goodrich	October 01
Kyle Morrell	October 09
Doug Duncan	October 09
Jim Brumley	October 09
Wanda Bowers	October 10
Addison Goodrich	October 11
Kenton Cobble	October 18
Hannah Crocker	October 22
Caitlin Crocker	October 22
April Marengo	October 23
Amy Cobble	October 24
Douglas Purington	October 25
Olivia Marengo	October 29
Marilyn Brumley	October 29
R.P. Whittenburg	November 10
Sandra Carter	November 19
Charles Brumley	November 23
Paul Burkey	November 24