

Gospel Light Family Meeting **(6/30/24)**

Meeting began at 11:45

Church Covenant Reading

Prayer (James Gomez)

Ministry Updates

Children's Ministry Update (Susan Gomez)

- Kids' Week
 - Help is still needed in the kindergarten class
 - Sign up online or in person
 - Promotion Sunday is August 3rd

Sunday School Update (Luke Bylsma)

- Taking a break for the month of July
 - Give volunteers a break
 - Focus on VBS
 - Fellowship during the hour
- Planning to move to two month rotations (still upstairs and downstairs)
- Goal is to equip the church by covering extra topics we don't normally have time for in sermons
- December may become another month off

Community Groups Update (Dave Kush)

- "Caring for One Another" has been preparing us!
- Community Groups will be starting up this Fall
- Will help us dig deeper into Sunday sermons and apply them
- Hoping to launch 4 groups (North, Mid, two South)
- Wednesday nights 7-9

Deacon Update (Luke Bylsma)

- Meeting monthly
- Specific areas
 - Benevolence, Widow, & Senior Care (Terry Almond and Chad Sanderson)
 - Building & Grounds (Chad Sanderson and Patrick Morales)
 - Finance (Will Sutton and Terry Almond)
 - Ordinances (Zach Reed and Terry Almond)
 - Technology (Patrick Morales and Will Sutton)
 - Special Projects (Zach Reed and Patrick Morales)

Building & Grounds (Chad Sanderson)

- Current Issues
 - Lights in the sanctuary
 - Urinal replacement
 - Bathroom faucets
 - Outlets in the fellowship hall (use power strips)
- Future Projects
 - Please share needs with Chad before bringing them to the pastors
 - Planning to install a front door keypad
 - Rekey all the doors in the church (improve safety)
 - Thermostat for easier control of HVAC
 - Rear window replacement
 - Gather info on the church building's history for long term projects
- Keys were given to all deacons and pastors
- Need for handy helpers to be on call
- Question: How soon is the front door keypad getting implemented? Answer: Not too soon. Hopefully in a few months.

Parking Lot (Pastor James)

- Trustees signed and moved project forward
- Engineers are working on the plans
- Plans should be finished in about a month, then we will need to talk with the city
- We hope to have the parking lot finished by the end of summer!

Nursery Project (Zach Reed)

- Demolition happened in April and now is at a standstill
- Next steps (all hired out)
 - Electrical work in July
 - Bringing in a mason to help with divided door
 - Dry wall
 - Paint
 - Flooring
- Hoping to finish by the end of August!
- Budget-Less than \$31,000
- Current nursery will begin work after the new one is finished

Membership Update (Luke Bylsma)

- The Kearns are taking a break but are still members
- Recommendations of names to remove from membership
 - Amanda Carmen
 - William and Christel Crenshaw
 - David and Margo Daly
 - Mita Monya
 - Nate and Jane Shivers
- Motion to remove names from membership (Affirmed by Amanda Higgins and Siew Burgess)

Finance Update (Will Sutton)

- Budget is broken into 5 categories
 - Missions
 - Personnel
 - Programs
 - Support
 - Facilities
- Expenses are shared proportionally between all of the churches who use this building
- Growth in our bank account! \$249,596 in January to \$325,933 in June!
- Hard copies of the financial info are available and will be on the old church website
- A question was asked about having access to church members' phone numbers. We will work on a directory soon.

Pastors' Update (Luke Bylsma)

- Pastor James will be taking a sabbatical (90 days)
- He will continue serving as a pastor until December and then retire
- Please help to give the Gomez family a break by not bringing church needs to them during this time
- Commit to pray for them every week
- Gift and prayer

Closing Prayer (James Gomez)

Meeting ended at 12:30