

8th and Harrison Church of Christ

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January 28, 2024



Prayer Requests

Ernie & Angel Smith- Maricor Talaver-

Felipa Smith- Olga Manzer- John Sparks- Dorothy Brown-

Jim Wigington

Those with cancer: Mary Lynn Fitch - Larry Onderdonk - Lenny Willingham- Greg Gomez (Olga Manzer's brother)-

Jon Koonce (Sparks nephew)

As always: Frontline works - Missionaries - Peace on Earth -

Widows and Widowers- **All those who are sick**

Announcements

Please join us for a Potluck lunch after service THIS Sunday, January 28th as we Welcome back all our Winter Texans as well as our visitors. Hope you all can join us and don't forget to bring your favorite dish to share with everyone. Please see Cathy Fox or call the church office if you have any questions.

All of the elders met on Sunday afternoon, January 21, 2024. Wayne Bishop chaired the meeting. Bobby Sparks led an opening prayer. Attendance. We were pleased to note that the attendance has once again been over 100 for the last few weeks which have included some mildly unpleasant weather conditions.

Attendance today was 117 and 130 on the previous Sunday Sunday Evenings.

Cindy Reynolds was in the first part of the meeting to discuss the possibility of beginning our Sunday evening worship assemblies once again. We have not been meeting in the evening for the past several years, since the Pandemic. We talked about some of the implications of doing that including those willing to lead, general interest in the congregation, etc. We will do some further informal consulting with members of the congregation including a time of possible discussion during next Sunday's potluck dinner. Elder Meeting Reports. It was suggested that it is helpful to have a written report on the elders' meetings. We will try to do that again in the future. Jacob Vincent will write up an initial report (like this) to be approved and/or amended by the elders prior to any further public exposure, recognizing that some things discussed need to be kept private.

Oklahoma Christian visit. Jeremie Beller, Chairman of the Bible Program at Oklahoma Christian University is scheduled to visit us on the weekend of February 10&11. Hopefully he will be accompanied by a soon-to-graduate Bible and Ministry student. They will visit with us about hiring a minister and will be willing to teach the Sunday morning adult classes and preach. We appreciate Edna Butler advising

us of this possibility. Junior High Class is interested in some kind of community service projects. We tried to think of some possibilities and Wayne Bishop will check further with their teachers to see what might be arranged. East Door Security. It has been called to our attention that the eastern most door on the Multipurpose Building is frequently left unsecured. Successfully locking it does require an additional special push and we have tried twice to have it adjusted to take care of the problem. Arnold Robledo will consult with some contacts in the school district to see if they might have a technician who could advise us on how to make the door more user friendly and secure. Fence Deterioration. Bobby advised that the fences between the middle and the west and east buildings have deteriorated significantly since their installation several years ago. We recommend replacing them with newer, more durable prefabricated units. [Who was going to follow up on this?] Flowers for the Sick. It was asked if we have a policy about sending flowers to folks who are ill or hospitalized. We do normally send flowers for a funeral or memorial service but have not routinely sent flowers to folks who are sick. Often, we don't know of a person's sickness until afterward, in some cases flowers are not allowed in hospital or other facility room and so we decided that it sets an uncomfortable precedent for us to try to do it regularly as a church body. Special Needs. We concluded with health and prayer needs, progress reports, visitor information, etc. for various folks in or visiting the congregation including health concerns for Ernie & Angel Smith, Lana Miller (and family) and others.

Final Prayer was led by Arnold Robledo

Bible Class

Sunday:

Auditorium

Preschool: Room 13

Elementary: Room 23

Youth (Grades 6-12): Upstairs Rooms 15 & 16

Wednesday:

Multipurpose room

Wednesday Night Meal

Brown Bag 6 pm in the MPR.

Wednesday Night Class

7 pm in the Multipurpose Room.

Meeting Times

Sunday

Bible Class 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Wednesday

Bible Classes 7:00 pm

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January Coordinating Elder

Wayne Bishop

Elders

Wayne Bishop (A-Co)

Arnold Robledo (Cr- Hu)

Ernie Smith (Sm -Z)

Bobby Sparks (Re-Sc)

Jacob Vincent (J-Ra)

Missionaries

Dominador Belo-Philippines

Jared Looney-Tampa, Florida

Joel Talaver-Philippines

Adult Bible Classes: 37

Weekly Giving: \$4425.00

Children's Classes: 6

Weekly Budget: \$5,000.00

Youth Group Class: 8

Yearly Giving: \$13,433.76.00

Sunday Worship: 117

Yearly Budget: \$15,000.00

Men's Bible Class: 4

Ladies' Bible Class: 14

Wednesday Night Class: 28

