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CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 11, 2002

THE CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MET ON MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2002. THE MEETING WAS HELD AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL AND OPENED WITH PRAYER. HOWARD PITTMAN PRECEDED THE MEETING.

I. TREASURER'S REPORT: PAUL BRANCH DISTRIBUTED THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR REVIEW. MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT WAS MADE BY DR. CAIN. NORMAN GEHM SECONDED THE MOTION. THE REPORT WAS DISCUSSED. IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE LINE ITEM "TOTAL RECEIPTS" BE CHANGED TO "TOTAL OFFERING" TO ELIMINATE ANY CONFUSION. PAUL REPORTED THAT THE APPORTIONMENT'S HAVE NOT BEEN PAID IN ~~TWO~~ <sup>ONE</sup> MONTHS, BECAUSE OF SHORTAGE OF FUNDS. HE ASKED FOR DIRECTIONS IN WHAT TO PAY FIRST, CHURCH EXPENSES OR THE APPORTIONMENT'S. HE WAS ADVISED TO CONTINUE ON AS HE HAS BEEN DOING.

(February 2002)  
MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING - NONE WERE AVAILABLE. PAM MCCORMICK HAS RESIGNED AS RECORDING SECRETARY. BARBARA GEHM IS FILLING IN ON A TEMPORARY BASIS UNTIL ANOTHER SECRETARY IS ELECTED.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES: NORMAN GEHM REPORTED THAT THE TRUSTEES HAD MET AND FOR THE SECOND MONTH IN A ROW, THERE WAS NO QUORUM. THE TRUSTEES ARE REQUESTING A LIST OF PEOPLE TO CALL WHEN THERE ARE REPAIR PROBLEMS IN THE CHURCH (PLUMBER, ELECTRICIAN, ETC.) THE TRUSTEE OF THE MONTH NEEDS SOME GUIDANCE ON WHO TO CONTACT. HOWARD PITTMAN SUGGESTED THAT WAYNE SMITH BE CALLED FOR EITHER ELECTRICAL OR PLUMBING PROBLEMS, IF HE OR PAUL BRANCH CANNOT FIX THE REPAIR. ANOTHER ITEM THAT WAS BROUGHT UP AT THE TRUSTEES' MEETING WAS THAT SUFFICIENT ADULTS BE ON SITE WHEN USING THE CHURCH FACILITIES FOR YOUTH GATHERINGS. THIS WAS DISCUSSED IN DETAIL. DIANE STANTON FELT THAT SHE COULD HANDLE THE YOUTH AND THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE A PROBLEM. JEFF EVANS REMINDED THE GROUP OF THE FACT IF GUIDELINES WERE IMPOSED, IT WOULD ALSO EFFECT THE SCOUT TROOPS TOO. IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WRITE UP GUIDELINES AND SUBMIT TO THE COUNCIL FOR REVIEW AND VOTE.

MEN'S CLUB - NORMAN GEHM REPORTED THAT THE MEN'S CLUB HAD MET. MR. LEROY PERKINS PREPARED A DELICIOUS MEAL. MORE THAN 30 PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE. PREPARATIONS ARE CURRENTLY UNDERWAY FOR THE BARBECUE. DONATIONS ARE BEING SOLICITED TO OFFSET THE COST.

WOMEN'S CLUB - FRANCIS LEWIS REPORTED THAT THE ELIZABETH WILLIAMS CIRCLE DID MEET AND HAD 10 PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE. THEIR CIRCLE GAVE A \$100 DONATION TO A NEEDY FAMILY WITHIN THE CHURCH. A MEMORIAL WAS MADE FOR RICHARD BACH'S SISTER SHE ALSO REPORTED THAT A MEAL WAS PREPARED AND TAKEN IN TO THE DANIELS' FAMILY.

WORSHIP/MINISTRY REPORT - MILDRED PERKINS REPORTED THAT A YOUTH DIRECTOR IS STILL NEEDED. DIANNE STANTON REQUESTED THAT SHE BE A PART OF THE COMMITTEE THAT IS PLANNING ON GOING TO ST. ANDREWS COLLEGE IN LAURINBURG. THEY ARE HOPING TO SOLICIT A COLLEGE STUDENT THAT MAY BE INTERESTED IN WORKING WITH THE YOUTH AS PART OF THEIR TRAINING/EDUCATION.

MILDRED ALSO REPORTED THAT A NURSERY WORKER HAS BEEN REQUESTED BUT FUNDING IS STILL A PROBLEM.

NURTURE/CONGREGATIONAL CARE - DORIS MILLER REPORTED THAT MARY BACH HAS RESIGNED AS FOOD HOSTESS FOR HER GROUP. SHE ALSO STATED THAT A MEAL WAS TAKEN IN TO THE DANIELS FAMILY AND THEY WERE VERY APPRECIATIVE. SHE ALSO REPORTED THAT SOMEONE IS NEEDED IN OUR CHURCH THAT CAN COMMUNICATE THROUGH SIGN LANGUAGE.

EVANGELISM MINISTRY - NO REPORT GIVEN.

EDUCATION MINISTRY REPORT - MARJORIE PITTMAN REPORTED THAT WE HAD AN AVERAGE ATTENDANCE IN SUNDAY SCHOOL OF 66 FOR FEBRUARY. TOTAL COLLECTIONS WERE \$190.50.

FAMILY MINISTRIES - NO REPORT GIVEN.

BEST YEAR'S CLUB - DON WILSON REPORTED A BAKE SALE AND A YARD SALE IS BEING PLANNED TO HELP WITH THE TRIP EXPENSES.

UMYF - DIANNE STANTON THANKED THOSE WHO FIXED THE KITCHEN DOOR. SHE ALSO STATED THAT THE YOUTH GROUP WOULD LIKE TO DEDICATE A PLAQUE IN MEMORY OF MATHEW BRABOY TO THE YOUTH ROOM. THIS WAS AGREED UPON AFTER DISCUSSION. THE COUNCIL AGREED TO NAMING THE YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS IN MEMORY OF MATHEW BRABOY AFTER A MOTION WAS MADE BY MARJORIE PITTMAN AND SECONDED BY LEROY PERKINS. PASTOR TOM SUGGESTED THAT THE PLAQUE BE WORDED "TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN MEMORY OF MATHEW BRABOY".

DORIS MILLER ALSO SUGGESTED THAT 30 HYMNALS BE PURCHASED FOR THE SANCTUARY AND THAT MEMORIALS BE MADE TO PAY FOR THE HYMNALS. THE COUNCIL AGREED TO THIS SUGGESTION.

DIANE ASKED THE COUNCIL IF CHILDREN'S CHURCH COULD BE MOVED INTO ANOTHER CLASS ROOM, INSTEAD OF USING THE YOUTH ROOM. SHE ALSO SUGGESTED THAT HER SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSROOM BE USED. COUNCIL WAS IN AGREEMENT. SHE ALSO ADVISED THE COUNCIL THAT MONEY WOULD BE NEEDED FOR THE SALKEHATCHEE TRIP. AFTER SOME DISCUSSION, SHE DECIDED TO LET THE YOUTH PLAN SOME FUND RAISERS TO ASSIST WITH THE COSTS.

PPRC COMMITTEE - DR. CAIN REPORTED THAT THE BABY SITTER PROPOSAL DID NOT PASS. \$1000 WAS NOT ENOUGH FUNDS TO PAY A BABY-SITTER FOR PROPOSED TIME FRAMES. IT WOULD COST AT LEAST \$1500.

A PAID CHOIR DIRECTOR HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE PPRC COMMITTEE. . \$5000 WAS BUDGETED FOR PIANIST AND CHOIR DIRECTOR. PASTOR TOM READ THE JOB DESCRIPTION OF THE CHOIR DIRECTOR. THE COUNCIL APPROVED DR. CAIN'S PROPOSAL AFTER A SECOND MOTION WAS MADE BY DORIS MILLER.

PASTOR'S REPORT - UPCOMING CONFIRMATION CLASSES. ONLY ONE PERSON HAS SIGNED UP SO FAR TO ATTEND CONFIRMATION CLASSES. PREACHER SAM HAD A LARGE CLASS LAST YEAR, SO THIS YEAR'S NUMBER MAY BE VERY SMALL.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE - FIRST METHODIST CHURCH AND THE FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE WANTS US TO BE A PART OF THEIR EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE.

THE CHOIR IS WORKING ON AN EASTER PROGRAM.. THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR WILL BE PERFORMING DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL.

A WELCOME PAMPHLET FOR VISITORS WAS REVIEWED.

PASTOR TOM IS ENCOURAGING CHURCH PARTICIPATION IN THE 50-DAY BIBLE STUDY. HE WILL BE TALKING ABOUT THIS MORE IN THE UPCOMING SUNDAYS.

A "MAUNDY THURSDAY" SERVICE WILL BE HELD AT CHRIST UNITED METHODIST. PREACHER TOM REQUESTED THAT THE FIRST PEW BE REMOVED FOR THIS SERVICE.

PRAYER CONCERNS WERE HEARD FROM THOSE IN ATTENDANCE. AFTER CLOSING PRAYER, MEETING WAS ADJOURNED. NEXT MEETING - APRIL 8, 2002.



Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting  
April 8, 2002

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, April 8, 2002. The meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Fellowship Hall. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

Mildred made a motion that Barbara Gehm be nominated as recording secretary for the Church Council. Don Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed. Barbara agreed to accept the position on a temporary basis.

Minutes from the March 11, 2002 meeting were distributed and reviewed. The minutes were approved with a correction that the minutes reflect that the Apportionments had not been paid for one month, instead of two months as indicated in the minutes. Margie Pittman made a motion to accept the minutes. Mildred seconded the motion.

The Treasurer's Report was distributed and reviewed. The Council accepted the Report after a motion was made by Norman Gehm and seconded by Evelyn Smith.

Worship/Ministry Report - Don Wilson asked Mildred if they had checked with St. Andrews on a Youth Director. Mildred reported that she and Dianne had talked to staff at St. Andrews College and the first thing they had to have was a Job Description. Dr. Cain and the PPRC Board would have to write up a Job Description and submit to St. Andrews College.

Best Years Club - Don reported that they had a very successful bake sale. \$807 was raised from the sale. A donation was given in the amount of \$100 to be used to fix up the nursery. Also, a shredder was purchased for the kitchen.

Board of Trustees: Norman reported that the Trustees had met. Action has to be taken on the copier for the church. The lease expires May 31, 2002 on the copier. Information on the cost of purchasing the current Xerox machine and the maintenance on the machine was given out for review. After discussion the Council decided to purchase the current Xerox Machine for \$800 and maintain the maintenance contract for \$17.00 a month. Mildred made a motion to take this action. Norman seconded the motion.

Also, Norman had been given an invoice from Edwards Heating and Air Conditioning for renewal of a maintenance contract for the church and parsonage in the amount of \$700.00. It was decided that Norman would check with Hamer Heating and Air Conditioning on getting a second bid for a maintenance contract before paying this invoice. The heating and air conditioning problem that is in the rental house was discussed. Norman was advised by the Council to ask Hamer Heating & Air Conditioning to give a price on the repair/replacement of the unit in the rental house.

Men's Club - Norman reported that the lawn mower had been picked up and is now in good working condition. The invoice was given to R.L. Rogers. The Barbeque is coming up. Jeff Evans is going to contact Terri Cowan regarding the cakes that will be needed for the barbeque plates. Also, a list of who is going to be working in the kitchen and on what days will be needed. Contacts still have to be made.

Women's Club - Francis Lewis reported that the Elizabeth Williams Circle had met. A Bake Sale has been scheduled on the Saturday of the Men's Barbeque.

Howard Pittman gave out information on the County Wide Revival that will be held on April 15th - 18th. Monday and Tuesday night will be at Christ United Methodist Church and Wednesday and Thursday night will be at Shiloh Baptist Church. Jeff Dunn will be the speaker at Shiloh Baptist Church.

Congregational Care Committee - Doris Miller reported that the Easter Lillies were placed in the Church for the Easter Service. Nothing new to report.

Education Ministry Report - Marjorie Pittman reported that the average attendance for Sunday School during the month of March was 63. A total of \$216.99 was received for Sunday School Offering.

Evangelism Ministry - Linda Collins reported that due to Family problems, she had to take a break, but that she is now back and ready to serve on the Committee.

No further business, meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
May 13, 2002

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, May 13, 2002. The meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Fellowship Hall. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

Terri Holliday presented a brief presentation for the Hearing Impaired from the First Baptist Church of Dillon, S. C. She was accompanied by her husband and left materials for us to review.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting on April 8, 2002 were distributed and reviewed. Margorie Pittman made a motion to accept the minutes. Jerry Kendall seconded the motion. Minutes accepted by Council.

The Treasurers Report for April was distributed and reviewed. Don Wilson made a motion to accept the report. Mildred Perkins seconded the motion. Report accepted by Council.

Reports:

Board of Trustees: Norman Gehm reported that they had not met, but would meet in June. He did present to the Council Maintenance Proposals from Hamer Heating and A.C. (\$1200 a year) and also from Edwards Heating and A.C. (\$700 a year.) Both contracts were for preventive maintenance. No action was taken at present time. He also had a bid from Hamer Heating and A.C. for a new gas pack unit for the rental house. It was suggested that we also get one from Edwards Heating and A.C.

Norman reported that May is the last month to pay on copier. New Maintenance Payment of \$17.00 a month will begin in June. We are in the process of purchasing the copier.

Men's Club – Norman also reported that \$10,152 has been received from the Men's Club Barbeque. This is still not the final report. Also, the Men's Club Meeting for May was rescheduled for Monday, May 20, 2002.

Elizabeth Williams Circle – Frances Lewis reported that they had met. She also reported that the Circle had given several memorials to the church.

Worship-Ministry – Mildred is still waiting on information for the Youth Director.

Missions Ministry - No report.

Evangelism Ministry – No report.

Education Ministry -- Marjorie Pittman reported that for the previous month we had a total of 54 for Sunday School Attendance. \$128.93 was collected during Sunday School. She also reported that we will be having a church social on June 22, 2002, to kick off our Vacation Bible School.

Best Years Club -- Don Wilson reported that the annual Yard Sale was coming up and items had already started coming in. He also advised the Council that some of the items that were in the closet were missing. He further stated that in the future, he or Janet McDonald would be the only two people that would have the key to the room that housed the supplies.

PPRC -- Dr. Cain reported that they had met. A Position Description for the Youth Director had been developed. He read the qualifications and the purpose and goal to the Council.

Howard Pittman reported that a lot on the corner of Hamlet Highway and Williams Drive is being given to the Church by the Williams Family, whose father use to pastor our church many years ago. We will have to be responsible for taking care of the deed and getting the land transferred. The value of the land is approximately \$6000 or more. A motion was made by Jerry Kendal to accept the lot. Dodie Kendal seconded the motion. Council agreed.

Pastor Tom Williams distributed and reviewed our goals from last September's Day of Dreaming.

He reported that he had received an anonymous gift of \$3000 to the Church. He also advised that he didn't think it should go in the general fund. There were several suggestions that the money could be used for (Church Bus or Youth Director's Salary). There was discussion regarding placing the money in a passbook savings. Paul Branch suggested that we put it in the Emergency Needs Fund, because it was inactive and we could place it there for the time being. The Council agreed.

Preacher Tom distributed a calendar for June -- December. After reviewing, it was decided that Homecoming should be on November 17, 2002. It was also suggested that Pastor "Red" Williams, (the family that donated the land to the church) be our guest speaker.

June 9<sup>th</sup> is being set aside as Senior Sunday to honor our graduates. Kevin Collins and Sarah Cain will be graduating.

Leroy Perkins suggested that we do some kind of fundraising in the fall to help with the cost of paying for a Youth Director.

No further business, meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
June 10, 2002

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, June 10, 2002. The meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., in the Church Fellowship Hall. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting of May 13, 2002, were distributed and reviewed. A motion was made by Norman Gehm and seconded by Evelyn Smith to approve the minutes, with an amendment to add "average" to the Sunday School Attendance Report that was made by Marjorie Pittman. Minutes accepted by Council.

The Treasurers Report was distributed, reviewed and discussed. Rev. Williams informed the Board of a \$7000 donation that was given by a church member. The donation was broken down into specified funding. After discussion, the Council agreed to accept the donation.

Reports:

Finance Committee - No Report.

Board of Trustees - Norman Gehm reported that the Trustees had met. There was some discussion regarding a request to move the piano in the sanctuary. The Trustees did not make a recommendation to move the piano. Also, Norman reported that a problem with the A.C. system in the Parsonage was discussed, but no recommendations were made. Also, the Trustees could take no action on the property that was given to the church, until the property is appraised.

Don Wilson made a motion to get <sup>Ronald Hamer</sup> ~~Hamer Heating and Air-Conditioning~~ to check out the cooling system in the Parsonage. If it can be repaired for \$1000 or less, then let them fix it. Marjorie Pittman seconded the motion. Council approved the motion.

Men's Club - Norman reported that they did not meet in May.

Paul Branch gave a final report for the Men's Barbecue of \$9,817.17.

The Council discussed the request to move the piano. After going into the sanctuary to look at where the request was made to place the piano, the request was denied.

Elizabeth Williams Circle - Frances Lewis reported that they had met and had seven (7) ladies present. She reported it to be a very good meeting.

Worship Committee - Kim Carabo is helping out with our Youth. Nothing new to report.

PPRC - Had not met. A Job Description of the Youth Director was distributed and reviewed. The 20 hours listed on the PD was discussed regarding how this time would actually be spent. The PD was received for information.

Best Years Club - \$3,695.61 received from the Yard Sale. Don advised that \$1800 would go toward expenses for the Tennessee Trip in December. \$600 would go towards a one day trip that would be upcoming (Epsworth, the State Capitol, or Shatley Springs). He also reported that a trip to visit Ms. Geneva Liles is being planned, as well as a special gift for her. Also, four (4) smaller tables are being purchased, the kitchen ceiling and doors are going to be painted and in addition, the purchase of a wall plaque in memory or in honor of church members for special gifts or services. There are several other projects the Best Years Club is working on to enhance areas in the church. Also, at least three (3) more fund raisers are being planned.

Don made a motion that the Club be able to spend the money on certain requested items for the church. Marjorie seconded the motion. Dr. Cain suggested that some of the structural repairs go through the Board of Trustees. Rev. Williams reminded all present that the final decision lies with the Church Council. Motion approved.

UMYF - Diane reported that she had asked Kim Carabo to help with the Youth Program.

Lay Leader - No Report.

Education Ministry - Marjorie Pittman reported an average Sunday School attendance of 55. \$164.14 was received in Sunday School Offering for the month of May.

Evangelism - Linda Collins gave a report that she is working with a Committee (with several other pastors) to get the "Jesus Video" in every home. After discussion, Linda made a motion that we have a special Love Offering that would go towards the purchase of the Jesus Video on 06/23 and 06/30. Diane Stanton seconded the motion. Council approved.

LeRoy Perkins advised the Council that the Storage Building needs a double door. Jeff Evans volunteered to work on this. Don Wilson advised that the Best Years Club would donate \$150 towards the materials. LeRoy also suggested that the Epsworth Fund be given to them in person and not mailed. Rev. Williams advised that he was working on this. Mr. Perkins also said he would like to see the mortgage paid off quicker and felt that the church should start some fund raising activities toward this.

Paul Branch made a motion that the \$1800 in the Building Fund be used to pay on the principle. Amy Thomas seconded the motion. Council agreed.

No further business, meeting adjourned with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
July 8, 2002

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, July 8, 2002. The meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., in the Church Fellowship Hall. Rev. Williams opened the meeting with prayer. Special prayer request were made for Gaylon Floyd, Eugene Williamson, and Frank Exum.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting of June 10, 2002, were distributed and reviewed. A motion was made by Norman Gehm and seconded by Mildred Perkins to approve the minutes, with an amendment to change Hamer Heating and AC to Ronald Hamer. Minutes accepted by Council.

Marjorie Pittman advised that no motion was made to accept the \$7000 donation that was brought up in the June Meeting. She made a motion to accept the \$7000 donation. Norman Gehm seconded the motion. Council agreed.

The Treasurers Report was distributed, reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Marjorie Pittman to accept the Treasurer's Report. Mildred Perkins seconded the motion. Council agreed.

Reports:

Finance Committee - No Report.

Board of Trustees - Norman Gehm reported that the Trustees had not met. Work is currently being done on the air conditioner in the church and in the parsonage. A Sign-In/Sign-Out Sheet is being implemented for anything that is loaned out from the church. Don advised that all the long tables have been loaned out and no one knows who all has them.

Men's Club - Norman reported that they did meet in June and plans were made to feed the Salkehatchee youth at the First Methodist Church Family Center. He said that this went very well and thanked everyone who helped with this project.

Elizabeth Williams Circle - Did not meet.

Worship Committee - No Report.

PPRC - No Report.

Best Years Club - Don Wilson reported that the kitchen and ceiling have been painted. A trip to see Ms. Geneva Liles is planned for July 16, 2002. He reported that everything was going good.

UMYF - No Report.

Nurture/Congregational Care - Doris Miller reported that a meal was taken into the Durham Brown Family. He was the father of church member, Jennifer Brown and stepfather of Marilyn Collins.

Education Ministry - Marjorie Pittman reported an average Sunday School attendance of 68. \$188.53 was received in Sunday School Offering for the month of June. She also reported that the covered dish social to kick off vacation bible school went very well.

Evangelism - Linda Collins gave a report on the "Jesus Video". Our church collected \$880.75 through the special offerings that were given for the video. She thanked everyone for their help with this. She also reminded everyone, (especially women) of the Anne Graham Lotz Conference that will be held in November. A new Evangelism Committee is being formed and are planning their first meeting on Tuesday, July 9th at the parsonage. Also, there is an Evangelism Conference that will be held at Springmaid Beach in January, 2003.

Lay Leader - Johnsie Stidd reported that the only thing Anne Graham Lotz is requesting for her conference is prayer. Fifteen minutes is planned for prayer every Wednesday evening at 6:45 p.m. at the church.

Rev. Williams made a motion that our church develop a "mission statement". He asked Howard Pittman to chair the committee to work on this. He would like for this committee to develop some ideas and give a report at our next "Day of Dreaming" in the fall. Linda Collins seconded the motion. Council agreed. Those serving on the committee are: Jeff Evans, Jerry Kendall, Francis Lewis, and Johnsie Stidd, as well as Rev. Williams.

Mr. Leroy Perkins made a motion that we transfer \$50 a month from the General Fund into the Building Fund to go towards the mortgage each month. Doris Miller seconded the motion. After discussion, motion failed to pass.

Jeff Evans reported that the Youth Sunday School class were planning a trip to the Santee on July 24th & 25th. Paul and Catherine Branch will help with chaperoning.

No further business, meeting adjourned with prayer.



Christ United Methodist Church Council  
"Call Meeting"  
July 29, 2002

Pastor Tom advised the Council that he requested the meeting and thanked everyone for coming. He advised that there were some within the church that had concerns regarding the "Male Beauty Pageant". He further stated that before the decision was made to have the pageant, the Church Council should have approved it.

A motion was made by Evelyn Smith and seconded by Mary Bach to have a "Male Beauty Pageant". Discussion followed. Don Wilson advised that the whole purpose for the pageant was to offset expenses for the Nashville Trip in December. Half of the funds would go for the trip and the second half would go towards the "Bus Fund". The pageant is scheduled for September at the Marlboro Civic Center. Betty Evans will be the chairperson. He further stated that he felt that it was a good way the church could come together, laugh, and have a good time. He stressed that there was never any intent to make fun of or be unkind to anyone.

Linda Collins advised that she was the person that brought up the issue. She was concerned with the image that it could be projecting for Christ United Methodist Church. She wanted everyone to think about it before it was voted on. Johnsie Stidd also voiced her opposition.

Those persons present discussed the pros and cons in detail. Pastor Tom commented that this was the way to voice our agreements or disagreements, rather than outside the church. He further stated that nobody should be offended after the meeting is over. He hopes that everyone will continue to love each other.

Norman Gehm made a motion that the vote be cast by secret ballot. Don Wilson seconded the motion. Council agreed. The result of the count was "YES" to have the Male Beauty Pageant.

*These minutes were not distributed - Inspiration Only*

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
August 12, 2002

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, August 12, 2002. Mr. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting of July 8, 2002, were distributed, reviewed, and discussed. Norman Gehm made a motion to accept the minutes. Mildred Perkins seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

Pastor Tom advised that since the July 8th meeting, there had been a change in the Mission Statement Committee. Norman Gehm would serve on the committee instead of Jeff Evans.

The Financial Report was distributed, reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Marjorie Pittman to accept the Treasurer's Report. Evelyn Smith seconded the motion. Council approved.

Finance Committee - No report. A meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, August 22, 2002, at 7:00 p.m.

Trustees - Norman Gehm reported that they had met. They are in the process of getting a bid from Bryant Harrell for the installation of the handicap rails. It was suggested that they also seek at least two other bids before making a recommendation.

Men's Club - Norman Gehm reported that the Men's Club had met. Mr. R.L. Rogers provided the meal. His son-in-law, Mr. Kenny Rouse, spoke to the Club on their recent mission trip.

Elizabeth Williams Circle - Will start back up in September.

Nurture/Congregational Care - No report.

Missions Ministry - Mary Bach reported that a Committee had been formed but had not met.

Pastor Tom advised that he had talked with staff person at St. Andrews College regarding a Youth Counselor. He will be meeting with the PPRC to relay this information.

PPRC - Dr. Cain reported that they will be meeting later this month.

Education Ministry - Marjorie Pittman reported that the average attendance for Sunday School in July was 53. The total Sunday School Offering was \$121.42.

Best Years Club - Don advised that they still have 4 or 5 seats left for the Shatley Springs trip in October.

UMYF - No report.

Evangelism Committee Report - Linda Collins reported that the Committee had met and are working on several goals:

1) A Welcome Folder, 2) Visitation 3) Personal Testimony. (Pastor has already started asking for personal testimonies on Sunday mornings.)

The Committee will be meeting again on August 20, 2002.

Pastor Tom asked that the Mission Statement Committee meet briefly after the Church Council Meeting.

Pastor's Report/Concerns:

Pastor Tom advised the Board that he would like to clean out the room on the right side of the sanctuary and put all of the alter and communion equipment in there. He advised that he would also like to have a sink and water ran so that clean up could be done in the same room.

Also, he would like to go through everything in the Library, throw out, repair, and fix up what ever the need is. Anything questionable, he would ask before throwing it out. A motion was made by Mary Bach to approve his requests for cleaning and fixing up. Dr. Cain seconded the motion. Council approved.

He advised the Council that Susan Brigman has donated a cordless telephone to the Church at no cost.

Mr. Leroy advised that he wants us to continue to pursue getting someone to work the Nursery every Sunday and whenever the need exists. Pastor Tom advised that this is still being looked at. He has asked Terri Cowan to help him with this.

Several prayer request were heard before Pastor Tom dismissed the meeting with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
August 27, 2002

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Tuesday, August 27, 2002. Mr. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting of August 12, 2002, were distributed, reviewed, and discussed. Marjorie Pittman made a motion to accept the minutes. Norman Gehm seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

The Treasurer's Report was distributed, reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Haynes Cain to accept the Treasurer's Report. Mildred Perkins seconded the motion. Council approved.

Finance Committee - Glenn Coward reported that the Finance Committee had met. A recommendation was made by the Finance Committee to the Council, to give Pastor Williams a 1 1/2% Cost of Living increase and a 1 1/2 % Merit Increase, for a total of 3%. They also recommended a 2 % increase for Ms. Ethel Sirt. He also advised the Council that the Finance Committee will be meeting in September to work on the new budget.

PPRC - Haynes Cain reported that their committee had met. The PPRC Committee recommends to the Council that the Pastor receive a 3 % merit increase and a 3 % Cost of Living increase. They also recommended at 3 % increase for Ms. Sirt.

Norman Gehm made a motion that a 3% Merit Increase and 1 1/2 % Cost of Living Increase be given to the Pastor. Dodie Kendall seconded the motion.

All three proposals were discussed in detail by the Church Council and Pastor Williams. Pastor Williams did advise the Council that his insurance rates were being increased by \$70 a month.

Haynes Cain made a motion to the Council that all three proposals be considered and voted on accordingly. Jerry Kendall seconded the motion. The Church Council voted to accept the recommendation made by the Finance Committee to give the Pastor a 3% increase and Ms. Sirt a 2% increase.

Trustees - Norman Gehm reported that he had been in touch with Attorney Harry Easterling regarding the property that is being donated to the church. He advised that Mr. Easterling did need some additional information. Also, a fee of \$50 to prepare the deed and \$10 to record the deed will be charged. A motion was made by Mildred Perkins to pay the amount charged. Haynes Cain seconded the motion. Council agreed.

Men's Club - Norman Gehm reported that the Men's Club had met for August.

Elizabeth Williams Circle - Will start back up in September.

Nurture/Congregational Care - No report.

Missions Ministry - Frances Lewis reported that they had met and had a very good meeting.

Education Ministry - Marjorie Pittman reported that the average attendance for Sunday School in August was 66. The total Sunday School Offering was \$166.48

Best Years Club - No Report.

UMYF - No report.

Jerry Kendall made a motion that the Church pay the remaining balance for Pastor Williams to go on the Nashville Trip in December. Don Williams seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Pastor's Report/Concerns:

Pastor advised the Council that the Disciple II Bible Study will cost \$1,000.

He also advised that the "Day of Dreaming" that was held on Saturday, August 24, 2002, was successful in developing new goals for 2002, 2003, and 2004, which were still posted in the Fellowship Hall. The ideas and goals were discussed. He made a motion recommending that the Council accept the posted goals. Haynes Cain seconded the motion. Council approved. Also, at the Day of Dreaming, a Mission Statement for Christ United Methodist Church was agreed upon. This was written in the Agenda for our Church Council Meeting. Howard Pittman suggested that we print it in large letters and hang it at both ends of the Church. Preacher Tom made a motion that we accept the Mission Statement. Norman Gehm seconded the motion. Council approved.

Youth Director Position is still being pursued. An Intern from St. Andrews College is interested in the position. Pastor will be meeting with him. It was agreed that no salary would be quoted, but that it was negotiable.

He also presented to the Board information regarding a Weight Watchers Program being held at our Church. They could meet on Monday nights from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. The closest Weight Watchers Program is in Laurinburg. He also felt that this was a way to bring people from the community into our church. Dodie advised that the one in Laurinburg is too full and felt that the reception would be very good. Don Wilson made a motion that we allow Weight Watchers to set up their program in our Church and also that the \$100 usage fee be waived. Glen Cowan seconded the motion. Council approved.

Preacher Tom advised that he will be having a special service on Wednesday, September 11th in memory of those that lost their lives one year ago. Also, he advised that a Ministerial Association is in the process of being formed in Marlboro County.

Meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
October 14, 2002

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, October 14, 2002. Mr. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting of August 27, 2002, were distributed, reviewed, and discussed. Marjorie Pittman made a motion to accept the minutes. Norman Gehm seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

The Treasurer's Report was distributed, reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Mildred Perkins to accept the Treasurer's Report. Margorie Pittman seconded the motion. Council approved.

Finance Committee - The Proposed Budget for 2003 was distributed to the Council for review and discussion. Pastor Tom briefly discussed the apportionment's and where it all goes. The total budget is \$6000 more than last year's budget. More mission support was discussed. The following changes were made by motion and approved by the Council:

Pastor Tom made a motion to add \$1500 to the total budget for mission support. \$1200 to be allocated at \$100 a month for missionary couple in Central Asia and \$300 for local missions.

Haynes Cain made a motion to add \$500 to cover the cost of increase in insurance and taxes on church and rental house. Norman Gehm seconded the motion.

\$275 was moved from the postage amount and added to the Evangelism Committee for Brochures.

PPRC - No Report.

Trustees Report - Norman Gehm reported that Attorney Easterling is working on the deed. He also reported that he and Rocky Brown inspected the rental house and some repairs are necessary. They are trying to get bids for the repairs. He has also received (3) three bids for installing handicap rails. The lowest bid has been over \$1200. A discussion followed regarding the possibility of checking with Sharon Lee on an alternative solution. Dodie Kendall made a motion that he seek Sharon's advice on the problem. Linda Collins seconded the motion. Council approved.

Men's Club - Norm reported that the September meeting was very good. Fire Chief Dixon Odom was the guest speaker. Also, Rev. Monty Bishop gave his personal testimony. A delicious meal was prepared by Jerry Kendall and Richard Bach.

Elizabeth Williams Circle - Frances Lewis reported that the circle had met and had six women present. A new devotional book was given to the circle by Johnsie Stidd.

Nurture/Congregational Care - Meals were prepared for Minnie Gore and Mae Freeman's families.

Missions Ministry - Mary Bach was ill and was not in attendance. Frances Lewis reported that the Missions Committee had met with 12 people in attendance. A very good meeting. Visitation of Dundee patients that have no one is being worked on.

Education Ministry - Marjorie Pittman reported that the average attendance for Sunday School in September was 68. The total Sunday School Offering was \$221.49.

Worship/Ministry - Mildred Perkins reported that we will have a "Hanging of the Greens" ceremony on December 1st. Also, a candle light Christmas Eve service is being planned.

Best Years Club - Don Wilson reported that a Chicken and Dumpling Meal is planned for October 25th. A Bake sale is scheduled for Saturday, November 23, 2003. The Best Year's Club Christmas dinner is planned for Friday, December 6, 2003.

UMYF - No report.

Evangelism Committee - Linda Collins reported that the committee had met and had a good meeting. Johnsie Stidd has taken over the visitation. Jimmy Long's was the first planned testimony and was very moving. She also proposed that we as a Church, participate in the Children's Christmas Stocking at DSS. Pastor Tom proposed that he would contact Ms. Susan Huston at DSS for the information before our next meeting. No action would be taken before then.

Pastor Tom made a motion that we honor our past pastors with plaques, from Beulah Days - to current times and present them at Homecoming with the dates that they served our church. Don Wilson seconded the motion. Council agreed. Worship Committee will work on this.

Meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
November 11, 2002

The Church Council Of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, November 11, 2002. Mr. Howard Pittman brought the meeting to order with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting of October 14, 2002, were distributed, reviewed and discussed. Paul Branch made a motion to accept the minutes. Mildred Perkins seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

The Finance Report was distributed, reviewed and discussed. Haynes Cain made a motion to accept the Finance Report. Marjorie Pittman seconded the motion. Finance Report was approved.

Trustees Report: Norman Gehm read a letter from Attorney Easterling saying the deed to the Williams property has been sent to the Clerk of Court's Office to be recorded.

He also informed the Council, that he did talk to Sharon Lee about the high cost of installing handicap rails for the church. Sharon advised that it could go into another need area, such as missions.

Norman advised that Rocky Brown has more information on the repairs of the rental house, but was not present. Some repairs have been made. The air conditioner had been repaired. Mildred Perkins made a motion that we approve up to \$1000 for needed repairs. Haynes Cain seconded the motion. Motion approved.

He also reported that the Men's Club had met. Fish was cooked by Jeff Evans and Tommy Bostic. Norman reported that he was unable to attend the meeting. The men had also met on a Saturday and had cleaned the church grounds.

Worship Committee – Mildred Perkins advised that the "Hanging of the Greens" would be presented on Sunday evening, December 1<sup>st</sup>. She also advised that poinsettias would be placed in the sanctuary during the month of December. The Christmas Program will be presented during worship service on Sunday, December 22, 2002.

She advised that the Pastor Appreciation Day was a big success.

The plaques that have been ordered listing all of the pastors that had served our church, will be picked up and presented during the Homecoming Service.

The use of our church by non-members was discussed in regard to policy. It was decided that the Trustees look at this after the first of the year.

A motion was made by Pastor Williams and seconded by Mildred Perkins to approve Lora Chavis as a Lay Speaker. Motion accepted.



Pastor Williams also read a proposal from Tim Branch and Brett Singleton for Pressure Washing of the church, as well as replacing any rotting board. After discussion, it was decided that a more detail proposal be requested. (Cost per square foot, etc.)

After discussion by the Council, the following Christmas Projects were approved:

Johnsie Stidd made a motion that we get the names of Foster Care Children from DSS, and give to the church to put on the altar for those that would like to assist them with Christmas. Diane Stanton seconded the motion.

Angel Tree/Prison Ministries – Don Wilson made a motion that we get names from the prison for the angel tree, and share them with interested church members. Margorie Pittman seconded the motion.

The Pastor advised that he did want to have a December Church Council Meeting.

Meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
January 13, 2003

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, January 13, 2003. Mr. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting for December were not available. They will be distributed at the February meeting.

The Treasurer's Report for December was distributed, reviewed and discussed. It was suggested that we set up a special account for the "Bus Fund" so that we can see a total dollar amount. It is currently included in the "Special Fund" balance. A motion was made by Linda Collins that we move the balance in the "Building Fund" and pay on the mortgage. (Debt retirement is what the Building Fund is used for). This motion was seconded by Mildred Perkins. Council agreed. A motion was made by Margie Pittman and seconded by Doris Miller to accept the Finance Report. Council agreed.

Finance Committee - No Report.

Trustees' Report - Norman Gehm reported that Pastor Tom has received information that prohibits any action taken on the lot that has been deeded to us, until a special Charge Conference is held. Certain procedures have to be followed before we can sell the property. Norman advised the Council that James Fleming was very interested in purchasing the land. The Board of Trustees felt that he should be given first chance to purchase the property.

A motion was made by Mildred Perkins and seconded by Norman Gehm to schedule a Charge Conference so that action can be taken on the property. Motion approved.

Norman also reported that the repairs on the rental house have been made.

PPRC - No Report.

Women's Club - No Report

Nurture/Congregational Care - Doris Miller reported that a meal was prepared for the Geneva Liles' Family.

Education Ministry - Marjorie Pittman reported that the average attendance for Sunday School in December was 55. The total Sunday School Offering was \$185.03.

Worship/Ministry - Mildred Perkins reported that Ms. Sirts has a complaint regarding the cleaning up after the Weight Watchers Meetings. This was discussed by the Council. It was suggested that Pastor Tom discuss this with Weight Watchers to see if they could assist her with an added increase of \$25

of \$25 a week.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans distributed a tentative agenda for the Best Years Club for 2003. The Agenda was reviewed for suggestions. A Motion was made by Paul Branch and seconded by Margie Pittman to accept the agenda. Council agreed.

UMYF - No report.

Mr. Leroy Perkins asked about the status of a Youth Leader. Pastor Tom reported that he is to meet with Paul Frye and Diane Stanton on the youth leadership.

The church insurance will pay for the hospitalization and injuries for Ms. Evelyn Smith, who fell on the church grounds. Paul has already contacted the insurance company.

Norman Gehm made the request that others be trained on the sound system. People in the church are leaving it on and problems are arising from this. He made a motion that Larry Collins be asked to hold a training session on this. Betty Evans seconded the motion. Council agreed.

January 26th is Souper Bowl Sunday. A special collection will be taken up at the door upon leaving the sanctuary by the youth.

Meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
February 10, 2003

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, February 10, 2003. Mr. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting for January were approved after a motion was made by Norman Gehm and seconded by Marjorie Pittman.

The Treasurer's Report for January was reviewed and discussed. The report was accepted after a motion was made by Norman Gehm and seconded by Mildred Perkins.

Finance Committee - No Report.

Trustees' Report - Norman Gehm reported that Rusty Sides was nominated as Chairman of the Trustees for 2003. Also, Pastor Tom is in the process of scheduling the special charge conference that we must have regarding the property that was donated to the church.

Norman also reported that the repairs on the rental house that was done in December was deducted from the rent. Additional work has been done on the house since December and the rentors deducted it from the January and February rent. It was suggested that Rocky Brown be asked to write a letter to the rentors advising them that any further repairs on the house be approved by the Trustees first. Norman reported that we do not have a termite contract on the rental house.

After discussion, a motion was made by the Pastor to make the Young Adult Sunday School Classroom the new Library. The Young Adults would continue to meet in the room for Sunday School. This was approved after a motion from Norman Gehm and seconded by Mildred Perkins.

Men's Club - Norman reported that the Barbecue was set for May 1st - 3rd.

Women's Club - Doris Miller reported that Johnsie Stidd was elected to replace Ms. Ruby Hall as Chairperson of the Elizabeth Williams Circle. They had met and had 6 persons in attendance. A Bake Sale is scheduled the same weekend as the Barbecue. She also reported that they were going to purchase the labels that go inside the hymnals that reads, In Memory or In Dedication to someone.

Worship Committee - Mildred Perkins reported that a few minor changes had been made in the Morning Worship Service. Also, she had been asked to make a request from the Seniors' Circle regarding the use of our Fellowship Hall. Howard Pittman suggested that they be given a copy of our Rules & Regulations regarding the use of our Fellowship Hall.

Education Ministry - Marjorie Pittman reported that the average attendance for Sunday School in January was 67. The total Sunday School Offering was \$45.40.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans reported that a Fish Frye was scheduled for Friday, February 28, 2003. Also, she wanted to add to the agenda that she had distributed at the January Meeting, that A "Cooling in the Shade" Ice Cream Social, will be held during July. This was made in the form of a motion and was seconded by Norman Gehm. No dissent.

PPRC - Will have a report at the next meeting.

Evangelism - Linda Collins reported that a Church Brochure is still being worked on. Letters and cards are still being sent to visitors. They are now working on the Prayer Triplets.

UMYF - No report.

Pastor Tom reported that \$137.00 was received from the Souper Bowl Sunday offering.

Pastor's Report:

Jerry Kendall will be going and representing our Church at the Annual Conference.

Weight Watchers will be making a monthly donation to our church, since they have been meeting at our church regularly.

After much discussion regarding an increase for Ms. Ethel Sirt, a motion was made by Jerry Kendall to increase her weekly salary by \$5.00, plus her 4% that was effective in January. The motion was approved after being seconded by Jeff Evans.

MYF - Nothing has been done because of the high salary cost of a Youth Director. Pastor Tom reported that he is still planning on meeting and finding other ways to work with the youth.

No further business, meeting was adjourned.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
March 10, 2003

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, March 10, 2003.  
Mr. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting for February were approved after a motion was made by Norman Gehm and seconded by Mildred Perkins.

The Treasurer's Report for February were reviewed and discussed. The report was accepted after a motion was made by Norman Gehm and seconded by Evelyn Smith.

Finance Committee - No Report.

Board of Trustees: No Report.

Men's Club - Norman reported that the men were busy preparing for the Barbecue.

Women's Club - Johnsie reported that they had met and the hymnals are almost ready to be placed in the sanctuary.

PPRC - Pastor Tom reported that the PPRC Committee had met and reviewed the guidelines. He advised that he had discussed the problem with needing volunteers to help out in the church office on Monday - Thursday, from 9:00 - 12:00 noon. He especially needs volunteers that can help with the bulletins and other typewritten data.

Also, more assistance in the nursery on Sunday mornings are desperately needed. The pastor is going to meet with the Young Adult Bible Study Group to get more suggestions on how to solve this problem.

Worship Committee - Mildred Perkins reported that a 5th Sunday Sing and Covered Dish Luncheon is being planned for the last Sunday in March.

Education Ministry - Marjorie Pittman reported that the average attendance for Sunday School in February was 55. The total Sunday School Offering was \$175.55.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans reported that the Fish Frye held in February was a big success. A trip to New York is being planned for Sept. 11th - 14th. Work is being planned on the small room that is being refurbished behind the piano in the sanctuary.

UMYF - Pastor Tom reported that he had an appointment with Paul Frye at 5:30 pm on Wednesday, March 12, 2003, to discuss youth programs. Also, Diane Stanton and Susan Brigman have been asked to attend the meeting.

Evangelism - Linda Collins passed around a beautiful Brochure for review that the Committee has been working on. It was suggested that several bids be received for the copying of the Brochures. A motion was made by Betty Evans to accept the Brochure as is. Norman Gehm seconded the motion. No dissent.

#### Pastors Report:

Pastor Tom suggested that our Church help sponsor the youth that are going to Salkehatchee this summer as well as church members that would like to go on the Emmaus Walk. After discussion, Norman Gehm made a motion that the church contribute up to 50% of the costs of those going from our church. Johnsie Stidd seconded the motion. No dissent.

Mr. Leroy Perkins advised the council that the cost of flowers for our church members (for illness or bereavement) have increased. He made a motion that the cost be increased to \$30 for flowers. Betty Evans seconded the motion.

Meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
April 14, 2003

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, April 14, 2003.  
Mr. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting for March were approved after a motion was made by Marjorie Pittman and seconded by Jeff Evans.

The Treasurer's Report for March was reviewed and discussed. The report was accepted after a motion was made by Norman Gehm and seconded by Mildred Perkins. A motion was made by Mildred Perkins and seconded by Linda Collins to change the Emergency Needs Fund to "C.U.M. Bus Fund". Authorized signatures for this account will be Paul Branch, Betty Evans, and Evelyn Smith. The motion passed.

Finance Committee - No Report.

Board of Trustees: Rusty Sides reported to the Council that they had received several bids to have the carpet shampooed in the church. After discussion, he made a motion to give the bid to Arthur Hamer for \$648.00. Betty Evans seconded the motion. No dissent. Rusty also reported that the lot that the church has for sale, has been advertised. Jim Fleming has already made a bid on it. No action was taken at this time.

Norm advised the council that after a week of rain, there is a leak going into the sanctuary from the steeple. The Trustees will look into this problem at the next meeting.

Men's Club - Norman reported that the men were busy preparing for the Barbecue. Several industries have changed their policies and will not allow us to deliver the plates to them. Other options are being looked at.

Women's Club - Frances Lewis reported that they had met and new hymnals were placed in the sanctuary and the old hymnals that only had words and no music, were removed.

PRC - Pastor Tom reported that the PPRC Committee had met. He advised that there would be changes forthcoming in the fall during the charge conference.

Worship Committee - Mildred Perkins reported that Homecoming is scheduled for November 16, 2003.

Education Ministry - Marjorie Pittman reported that the average attendance for Sunday School in March was 66. The total Sunday School Offering was \$211.60.



(estimates)

Best Years Club - Betty Evans reported that we had \$20,816 in the Bus Fund. The Best Years Club Dinner has been changed to May 10, 2003. The Yard Sale is scheduled for May 31st. She also reported that the trip to New York has been reduced by almost \$300 by changing Tour Groups.

Evangelism - Linda Collins passed around the printed brochures. It was recommended that some be placed in the hospital and Chamber of Commerce.

Missions - Frances Lewis reported that they did meet. It was suggested by the Mission Committee that a special offering be taken up every fourth Sunday for missions. We do currently support three (3) families. Norman Gehm made a motion that the church take up a special mission offering every every fourth Sunday. Mildren seconded the motion. No dissent.

#### Pastor's Report:

For Evangelistic Outreach in the community, a quarterly community type singing was discussed. Pastor Tom reported that the Easters have volunteered to perform for us. In lieu of payment, they would accept a "Love Offering". A motion to contact the Easters at a later date was made by Linda Collins and seconded by Johnsie Stidd. No dissent.

Pastor Tom reported that a county wide revival is planned for April 28th - May 1st.

Pastor Tom will be taking part in the upcoming Easter Sunrise Service scheduled for 7:00 a.m. at Lake Paul Wallace.

Pastor Tom reported that he did meet with Tom Frye, Diane Stanton and Susan Brigman regarding the youth. Most churches that do not have paid Youth Directors, usually use someone in their own church to head up the youth. No one in our church is interested.

Meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Council Meeting Minutes  
June 9, 2003

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, June 9, 2003. Mr. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the May Church Council Meeting were approved after a correction was made to reflect there were 5 prayer triplets, not 15. A motion was made by Jeff Evans and seconded by Marjorie Pittman to accept the minutes.

The Treasurer's Report for May was reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Norman Gehm and seconded by Mildred Perkins to accept the report. No dissent.

Men's Club – Norman Gehm reported that the Men's Club did not meet in May, but they would be meeting in June. They will be feeding the Salkehatchee Group that will be in Bennettsville the end of June. He also reported that they made approximately \$1100 from the Barbecue.

Women's Club – Johnsie Stidd reported that the Elizabeth Williams Circle had met and the program was on how to become a "prayer warrior".

Education Ministry – Marjorie Pittman reported that the average attendance for Sunday School for May was 51 and the total collections were \$128.78

Best Years Club – Betty Evans reported that approximately \$1014 was made from the Yard Sale. A Hot Dog and Ice Cream Social is scheduled for July.

Evangelism Committee – No report.

Missions Committee – did go to the Nursing Home to visit, but did not have enough people for a meeting.

Janet McDonald advised that June 29<sup>th</sup> would be the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Sing and Covered Dish Luncheon.

Trustee's Meeting – Betty Evans made a motion from the Trustees that the Council accept a bid from Jimmy Long for the lot on the corner of Williams Drive for approximately \$10,303.03. \$1000 will be paid down to hold the lot until loan is approved. Estimated time is four months. Mildred Perkins seconded the motion. No dissent.

She also gave a report on the roof repair. The Trustees voted to accept bid in the amount of \$500 from Larry Gardner to patch around the steeple, \$150 to replace loose nails and replace bad shingles on the Sunday School section of the church. In another matter, she advised that a letter is being sent by registered mail to the rentors regarding any further repairs to the house.

Pastors Report:

Pastor Tom reported that he will not be moving to another Church. He will continue to pastor Christ United Methodist Church another year or unless he decides to retire.

Revival Dates – Sunday, October 26 – Wednesday, October 30, 2003. Pastor recommended Pastor Farrell Cox as speaker. Council agreed.

Homecoming – After discussion, a motion was made by Jeff Evans and seconded by Norman Gehm to ask Pastor Mike Smith to be the Homecoming guest speaker. Council agreed.

Pastor Tom advised that he was concerned about the Singing that was planned on August 16<sup>th</sup>. The choir had previously planned to attend a special "Singing" in Wilson, NC. This has created a conflict, so he felt that the "Singing" scheduled for August 16<sup>th</sup> at Christ United Methodist, be canceled until another date.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church

Council Meeting Minutes

July 14, 2003

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday July 14, 2003. Chairman, Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

Preacher Tom introduced Mary Long from the Pee Dee Coalition. She gave a very informative talk, telling about what is being done Against Domestic & Sexual Assault in Marlboro and surrounding counties. The office is being moved to 108 Parsonage St. An effort is being made to open a facility near Wallace as the Shelter and Crisis Center. She ask that this church as well as all the other churches donate to this project. She said 255,000. was needed.

The minutes of the June meeting were approved after a correction was made that 11,000. not 1,100. was made at the Barbecue. Norman Gehm made a motion seconded by Rocky Brown to accept the minutes, which passed.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. Rocky Brown made a motion seconded by Marjorie Pittman to accept this report, which passed.

Rocky Brown presented two bills totaling 300.00 from Brett's Refrigeration for work on the Church Air Conditioners. Brett Singleton said in lieu of payment he would take a tax write-off. Another bill for 783.00 was also presented which will be paid as soon as convenient. He also ask for 1,400.00 tax write-off in lieu of payment for other work to be done in the year 2003. Norman Gehm made a motion seconded by Johnsie Stidd to accept his proposal, which passed.

Norman Gehm reported on the meal that was served to the Salkehatchee Group. He also commented on the great job that was done on the shubbery by Johnny Collins, Kyle Collins and Dr. Haynes Cain. He said the Men's Club are planning to buy tables and chairs for the library.

Marjorie Pittman reported an average of 53 in Sunday School for the year and an average of 121.74 in the offering.

Betty Evans told of the good turn-out for the Hot Dog and Ice Cream Social. She also said the round tables are in need of repair, as some do not open correctly.

Janet McDonald said the 5th Sunday which is August 31 will be the next Sing & Covered Dish Social. She also ask that the rails at the back of the Recreation Room be removed as they are just in the way. Norman Gehm made a motion to have it taken down, seconded by Janet McDonald. This motion passed.

Linda Collins said a meeting about the coming Revival is sheduled for August 10, with Rev. Farrell Cox to discuss ways to help get more people involved.

Paul Branch ask about putting the money for the Bus Fund into a CD, which would pay more interest. Jeff Evans made a motion seconded by Rocky Brown, which passed.

Preacher Tom ask that Howard Pittman appoint persons to serve on th Bus Committee. They are Betty Evans, Paul Branch, and Norman Gehm.

Preacher Tom announced that August 2, is the scheduled time for (Day of Dreaming) from 9:00 AM until 12:00 PM.

Preacher Tom also said a request had been made to use the Recreation Hall for the Thursday morning Art Class. Norman Gehm made a motion to honor the request which was seconded by Janet McDonald. This motion passed.

Preacher Tom also announced the Charge Conference would be Sept. 7.

The meeting closed with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
August 11, 2003

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, August 11, 2003. Mr. Jeff Evans opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting for July were approved after a motion was made by Marjorie Pittman and seconded by Norman Gehm.

The Treasurer's Report for August was reviewed and discussed. The report was accepted after a motion was made by Norman Gehm and seconded by Evelyn Smith.

PPRC - Julia Hodges reported that the PPRC Committee had met. She reported that there was a large increase in the Pastor's health insurance. The PPRC Committee recommended to the Finance Committee that an increase be given to the pastor in the new year to help absorb the increase.

Finance Committee - Paul Branch reported that the Finance Committee had met and agreed to recommend to the Church Council that because of the increase in the pastor's health insurance, they recommended a 4% increase in pay for the new year be given to Pastor Williams. This was discussed in detail by the Council. A motion was made by Norman Gehm and seconded by Johnsie Stidd that the Finance Committee's recommendation of granting the pastor a 4% increase be approved. No dissent.

Pastor Tom also advised that he is almost out of travel funds. He was allocated \$3500 for the year. He requested that this be increased to \$4200 in allocations for next year. A motion was made by Paul Branch and seconded by Norman Gehm to increase the travel amount to \$4200. No dissent.

A motion was made by Marjorie Pittman that the "Total Expenses" and "Total Receipts" be included in the bulletin once a month, as well as the balance remaining on the mortgage, and estimated months left to pay. This needs to coincide with the payment that is made each month. Mildred Perkins seconded the motion. No dissent.

Board of Trustees: Rusty Sides reported to the Council that they had met and had composed a list of people who could make needed repairs in the different areas of the church. He also reported that the Parsonage was inspected and some minor carpentry work was needed. The Board is still looking for carpenters. Paul Branch advised that he thought he knew someone and that he would check on it and get back with him. Also, Norman Gehm reported that the repair work on the roof was done.

Men's Club - Norman reported that they had met at the end of July and had a large number in attendance. A spaghetti meal was prepared by Johnny Collins and Rocky Brown.

Jeff Evans gave a wonderful program on "Friendship". Norman also reported that the Men's Club had received from Ms. Lola Shields, a donation in the amount of \$200 in memory of her father, Mr. Donald Floyd.

Women's Club - Johnsie advised that they had not met.

Worship Committee - Mildred Perkins reported that we would have the 5th Sunday Sing at the end of August. The Revival is scheduled for Oct. 26 - 30, 2003.

Janet McDonald advised that we will be having a Family Ice Cream Social on Sunday, August 24, 2003, at 4:00 p.m. In lieu of this, we will not be having a covered dish on the 5th Sunday Sing.

Missions - Ms. Francis Lewis reported that they had met at the end of July and had a wonderful meeting. She reported that the Missions Committee does have a bank account and will continue to help sponsor Victor Bondarenko. A love offering was taken on this past Sunday in the amount of \$289 to assist Mr. Bondarenko with his travel expenses to come and talk to us. So far this year, she reported that no money had been taken from the church budget to help sponsor this family.

Education Ministry - Marjorie Pittman reported that the average attendance for Sunday School in July was 53. The total Sunday School Offering was \$153.95. In July 2002 the average was 53 and the average Sunday School offering was \$121.42.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans reported that they were getting ready for their trip to New York in September. There are still seats available if anyone else is interested. Also they are working on a 4 ½ hour train ride through the mountains on October 9th & 10th. More information will be forthcoming, as well as a sign-up sheet to see how many folks are interested in going.

Evangelism - Linda Collins reported that the Evangelism Team had met with our Revival Speaker, Rev. Farrell Coxe and was so excited about our upcoming revival. Jeff Evans reminded us that we, the people that regularly attend our church, are the ones that are in need of this revival.

#### Pastors Report:

Day of Dreaming Goals were reviewed. Additional amendments to the Goals were made as follows:

2004 - Purchase Power-Point Equipment  
After School Tutoring Program  
Purchase of a Marquis

Linda Collins made a motion that we accept the amendments to the Day of Dreaming Goals for 2004. Johnsie Stidd seconded the motion. No dissent.

The meeting adjourned with prayer.



Christ United Methodist Church  
Council Meeting  
September 9, 2003

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, September 9, 2003. Mr. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting for August were approved after a motion was made by Jeff Evans and seconded by Mildred Perkins to approve the minutes. No dissent.

The Treasurer's Report was distributed, reviewed and discussed. It was noted that Gary Steen was paid twice for painting. This was in error. Paul Branch is going to call and check on this. Marjorie Pittman made a motion to accept the Report. Johnsie Stidd seconded the motion. No dissent.

Board of Trustees – Rusty Sides submitted a list of needed repairs for the Parsonage. Jeff Evans added that the outside of the church is going to need some carpentry repairs. He suggested that maybe some of the repairs could be combined in the pricing.

Elizabeth Williams Circle – Johnsie Stidd reported that they had met this same date. The program was on daily prayer. The ladies are in the process of planning for the New Year.

Worship – Mildred Perkins reported that our Revival would be coming up in October and Homecoming in November. The Hanging of the Greens will be the first Sunday in December.

Education Ministry Report – Marjorie Pittman reported that the average Sunday school attendance for August was 53. The total Sunday school offering was \$207.85.

Best Years Club – Betty Evans reported that they leave for their trip to New York on 09/11/03. A trip to the mountains of North Carolina is planned for October.

Pastor's Report –

Cottage Prayer times for the revival will start on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. The dates and locations will be posted in the hall.

Pastor Tom reported that the Pee Dee Coalition have contacted him regarding our support. This was discussed. It was decided that we would look at this again after our budget has been completed.

Marlboro Ministerial Association – Pastor Tom reported that they have asked for our Church to start making monthly donations from approximately \$50 to \$100 to assist with meals and hotel accommodations for transits, supported by a voucher system. Jeff Evans suggested that this could possibly come from the Mission Fund that is collected on one Sunday a month from the congregation. Pastor Tom advised that he would check with the Missions Committee on this. Linda Collins made a motion that if the Missions Committee does not approve this that the funds come from our Church Budget. Johnsie Stidd seconded the motion. Motion passed.

In conclusion, the Day of Dreaming Goals was assigned to the designated committees.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Council Meeting  
October 13, 2003

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, October 13, 2003. Mr. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting from September were approved after a motion was made by Marjorie Pittman and seconded by Mildred Perkins to approve the minutes. No dissent.

The Treasurer's Report was distributed, reviewed and discussed. Norman Gehm made a motion to accept the report. Linda Collins seconded the motion. No dissent. It was decided that another payment be made on the principal this month from the Building Fund in the amount of \$1360.

A special request was made to the Church Council by Kyle Collins. He asked if the Council would approve his request to beautify the church grounds as his Eagle Scout Project. This would take a lot of time and effort but felt that this could be done with the support of the church. Betty Evans made a motion to accept his request. Mildred Perkins seconded the motion. No dissent.

Worship Committee – Homecoming is November 16<sup>th</sup>. Mildred Perkins suggested that the doormats be replaced in the church foyer. After discussion, Betty Evans made a motion that we purchase two (2) new mats. Marjorie Pittman seconded the motion. No dissent.

Board of Trustees – No Report.

Elizabeth Williams Circle – No Report.

Missions – Pastor Tom advised that the Missions Group had not met, but felt that they would support the Marlboro Ministerial Association's request for funding.

Education Ministry Report – Marjorie Pittman reported that the average Sunday school attendance for September was 52. The total Sunday School offering was \$137.16.

Best Years Club – Betty Evans reported that the Best Year's Club was getting ready for their Chicken and Dumplings Luncheon on October 24<sup>th</sup>. They are also in the process of planning the Christmas Dinner.

Evangelism Committee – The Evangelism Committee has met and is getting ready for the Revival. A nursery will be provided each evening. Meals will be prepared for Rev. Cox and Pastor Tom each evening of the revival.

Pastor's Report –

There are still two more cottage prayer meetings before the revival.

Pastor Tom advised that he would be posting a full church membership at the Homecoming Service.

Operation Christmas Child – Information will be in the bulletin.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Council Meeting  
November 10, 2003

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, November 10, 2003.  
Mr. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The Minutes from the October meeting were approved after a motion was made by Jerry Kendall and seconded by Mildred Perkins.

Treasurer's Report - Reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Marjorie Pittman to approve the report. Jeff Evans seconded the motion. No dissent.

Finance Committee - Howard Pittman reported that they had met regarding the Conference Pension and also the Pastor's insurance. They will meet again on December 1, 2003.

Trustees' Report - Betty Evans reported that the property closing is scheduled to take place during the month of November. She advised that it is currently in the lawyer's office. Jimmy Long's loan was approved to purchase the property.

Betty also asked for names of carpenters. We have some repair work that needs to be done, but cannot get a reasonable price. She also reported that the rack in the fellowship hall was removed.

Women's Club - Frances Lewis reported for Johnsie Stidd, that they had met.

Worship Committee - Mildred Perkins advised that normally Pastor's Appreciation Day is observed in November. She felt that the 5th Sunday Sing would be a good time to do this. She made a motion that we give him \$250 for Pastor's Appreciation Day. Evelyn Smith seconded the motion. No dissent.

Missions - Mary Bach reported that they did meet. They had given \$200 for missions and \$100 for the Ministerial Association. They were giving a Thanksgiving meal to a needy family. They are also working on baskets to take to our folks in the nursing home for Christmas.

Education Ministry Report - Marjorie Pittman reported that the Sunday School offering for October was \$133.63. The average attendance was 52.

Best Year's Club - Betty Evens reported that the Bake Sale is scheduled for November 22, 2003. The Best Year's Club Christmas Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, December 13, 2003.

PPRC - No report, but will meet the end of the month.

Pastor's Report - Pastor Tom discussed new plans for fellowship meals for the upcoming year. He suggested that there be four (4) Groups used in planning and assisting in the preparation of meals, clean up, etc., instead of the one Hostess Committee that is currently being used.

Paul Branch advised that we had been given a refrigerator, but need a place to store it. He made a motion that we accept the donated refrigerator. Betty Evans seconded the motion. No dissent.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Christ United Methodist Church  
Council Meeting  
December 15, 2003

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, December 15, 2003. Mr. Howard Pittman opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting from November were approved after a motion was made by Jeff Evans and seconded by Mildred Perkins to approve the minutes. No dissent.

The Treasurer's Report was distributed, reviewed and discussed. Jeff Evans made a motion to accept the report. Evelyn Smith seconded the motion. No dissent.

Pastor Tom advised that two positions still needed to be filled, that were not filled at the Charge Conference in September. He presented the names of Joy Burroughs and Kay Knight to co-chair the Education Committee. A motion was made by Howard Pittman to approve the recommendation. Betty Evans seconded the motion. No dissent.

Also, for Youth Ministries, he recommended that Jackie and Kelly Branch along with Brett and Naida Singleton to co-chair the Youth Ministries at our church. Mildred Perkins made a motion to accept his recommendations. Evelyn Smith seconded the motion. No dissent.

Finance Committee – They had met earlier on this same date. The Budget for 2004 was presented, reviewed and discussed. A motion to accept the 2004 Budget was made by Jeff Evans and seconded by Paul Branch. No dissent.

Worship – No Report.

Missions – Mary Bach reported that they had met. They had given \$100 to missions. 23 disaster kits had been prepared by their committee.

Board of Trustees – No Report.

Elizabeth Williams Circle – No Report.

Education Ministry Report – Marjorie Pittman reported that the average Sunday school attendance for November was 57. The total Sunday School offering was \$180.11.

Best Years Club – Betty Evans reported that the Best Year's Club had their Christmas Dinner. Also, they had given a donation to the Men's Club to help with the expense of the column repair.

### Pastor's Report –

Pastor Tom advised that he wanted to meet with all the chairpersons of the 2004 committees ASAP to plan the 2004 calendar year.

Pastor Tom advised that Prison Ministries would take in food for 200 prisoners at Evans Correctional Institute on Monday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>. He volunteered our church to take care of the desserts. Betty Evans advised that the Best Year's Club would volunteer two cases of Little Debbie Christmas Tree Cakes to assist with the desserts.

Betty Evans made a motion that the funds from the sale of the property to Jimmy Long be placed in the General Fund until the next Board Meeting. Jeff Evans seconded the motion. No dissent.

Mortgage Burning – Mr. Perkins recommended that a date for the Mortgage Burning be set as soon as we know the final date of the payoff. This was put in the form of a motion by Mildred Perkins and seconded by Mary Bach. No dissent.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.



**CHURCH COUNCIL**  
**CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
January 12, 2004

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met Monday, January 12, 2004 at 7:00 P.M. in the fellowship hall. Jeff Evans is the new Chairman. Norm Gehm opened the meeting with prayer.

**Minutes** of the last meeting were read. Rev. Williams made a report on the prison trip. He and Richard Back represented our church. They went with David Reed's church group, the First Methodist group, and David Best's church group. They fed about 200 prisoners. Paul Branch made the motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Doris Miller and passed unanimously.

The **Treasurer's** report was given by Paul Branch. One hundred percent of last years apportionments were paid. There are a few bills left and the taxes have to be paid by the 16th. Barbara Gehm made the motion to accept the report. Seconded by Evelyn Smith. Passed. Paul said we were in pretty good shape and we have the money in the budget to pay off the mortgage. We have \$10,114 from the sale of the lot to Jimmy Long. Discussion followed about paying off the mortgage. We have approximately \$800.00 in the Building Fund, also. Roughly , we have about \$9800 to pay on the mortgage. We are paying \$2921.60 per month now. Interest per month is about \$82. Paul suggested to pay it off. Norm Gehm made the motion to use the Building Fund money and what was needed from the sale of the lot to finish paying off the mortgage on the rental house. \$10,647.00 is left to pay. Rocky Brown seconded that motion. It was passed. Rocky Brown said now the Men's Club could donate proceeds from the BarBQue to other projects. We will still have the rent coming in. Jeff asked Evelyn Smith to write a letter to the people who have been sending donations to pay for this house. She is to state that we will be having a mortgage burning soon but we would still appreciate any donations to our church.

**Finance** report. Fred Knight is the chairman but was not present. The new budget was approved at the last council meeting. They need to decide about how to pay the insurance and pension for the minister.

Betty Evans gave a report for the **Trustees**. The lot has been sold to Jimmy Long. Most of the work on the parsonage has been done. Brett Singleton found a fan running in the steeple and has ordered a thermostat to put on it if it is not running continuously for a reason. He will also give an estimate for putting turbans on the

parsonage to help with the cooling system. Betty made the motion for the Trustees to move the new refrigerator into the kitchen area behind the door. Mary Back seconded this. It passed.

Norm Gehm gave the **Men's Club** report. They did not meet last month. This month they will meet and elect new officers.

The **Elizabeth Williams' Circle** report was given by Johnsie Stidd. Brigitta Allemeier gave a program on gossip at their last meeting. They are contributing childrens books to the church library. How can they be checked out? No one has volunteered yet to work in the library. This circle is still sending money to a little Mexican boy. Tom wants to remind everyone that we are trying to restart the Friends in Christ circle.

Barbara Gehm gave a report for the **Worship Committee**. She will have 5 or 6 people on this committee. Their first meeting will be at 6:00 P.M. on Wednesday, Jan. 21. They will need to organize the mortgage burning ceremony. We will need a report on this at our next meeting.

Mary Bach gave the **Missions Committee** report. They will meet Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2004 and will discuss the pancake supper for Strove Tuesday. Strove Tuesday is the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday. They will charge for plates and the money will go to missions.

Doris Miller gave the **Nuture Committee** report. She thanked the ladies for the food prepared during the recent deaths of our church members. Marjorie Pittman's group served at Joe Moore's and Doris Miller's group served at Mamie Flowers'. The Mary Bach group will be the next to serve.

The **Education** report was given by Joy Burroughs and Kay Knight. December average attendance at Sunday School was 43 and the average collection was \$117.82. Having greeters for Sunday School was suggested. Other suggestions were to put names and ages on the classroom doors and sending personal invitations to people. Joy feels people will likely respond when personally asked to do things.

Janet McDonald gave the **Family Ministries** report. This group has not met yet this year but there will be four groups for this. Each group will work for a quarter of the year. They will continue having the Fifth Sunday Singings and dinners.

The **Best Years Club** report was given by Betty Evans. A tentative 2004 schedule was given to look over. She made the motion for this schedule be approved. Janet McDonald seconded this. It was passed.

The **UMYF** report was given by Naida Singleton. Kelly and Jackie Branch and Brett and Naida Singleton will be working with this group. They will start by working with the 5th through 8th graders. They will be taking them to a hockey game February 13 in Florence. They will send out flyers to the parents of these young people. They hope to meet two times per month with an activity each month. They hope to meet on Wednesday. They will have T-shirts printed for them. And one of their projects to raise money may be to sell Krispy Kreme doughnuts. \$500 has been allotted in the budget for the youth and a donation of \$1000 had been given. They were asked to coordinate with Johnny Collins who teaches that age Sunday School class. This UMYF group will include the community.

**PPRC** chairman was absent. No report except that this group will meet with the District Superintendent in a few weeks.

Linda Collins gave the **Evangelism Committee** report. They will meet Thursday, Jan. 22. They want to continue with having testimonies in church. Diane Stanton will do hers this coming Sunday. Linda wanted to know if the membership on this committee was rotating? Tom said no. You stay on this committee until the chairman resigns and then the new chairman can ask you to stay on it or they can pick a new committee. Evangelism and Worship committees do not rotate off. Contact Barbara Gehm or Linda Collins if you know of someone who would like to give their testimony or would like to sing in church. Jeff said, "Evangelism is the agenda we have, not an item on the agenda."

Norm Gehm gave the **Lay Leader** report. He wanted to know if the piano out of the Adult Sunday School class could be exchanged for the one in the choir room since it is in much better condition. Mrs. Frances Lewis will check with her class about that.

**Preacher's** report. Tom said the theme for his conference in Nashville last week was "Awake the Nation". It was on Evangelism. It is our responsibility to win souls for God. He bought a video by the speaker, Adam Hamilton and would like for us to see it sometime. We looked at a calendar for this year. He said he would have the dates correct before the next meeting. If we have other dates to put on the calendar, we need to let him know. He also talked about the possibility of doing a

new picture directory and getting other members involved in doing this project. Betty Evans made the motion that we do a new picture directory and Norm Gehm seconded this. It passed. Tom will get a committee together of people outside of the council to work on this. Tom also reminded us of our Day of Dreaming Goals for 2004.

**Miscellaneous.** Norm went to see Gold City perform. He would like to see more things like this at our church. Tom recommended having an outside group come in once a quarter. Johnsie Stidd said Ray wanted to borrow the meat grinder for the Clio country Club to use the Saturday before the Super Bowl Sunday. Tom pointed out that the guidelines state that things can't be loaned out to anyone for profit. Jeff said Trustees are really the ones that this type question should be referred to. However, this council would have the final say about it. Ray wanted to use it to make barbque for the people in the tournament. They are paying to be in the tournament. So this would be for profit. Therefore, we could not loan it to Ray. Mr. Leroy Perkins said we need the support of everyone to help our church grow spiritually and in numbers.

Tom closed with prayer. Jeff adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully,

Betty Evans

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
March 8, 2004

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, March 8, 2004. Jackie Branch opened the meeting with prayer. Diane Stanton gave a short devotion.

The minutes from the Church Council Meeting for February were approved after a motion was made by Rocky Brown and seconded by Norman Gehm.

The Treasurer's Report for February was reviewed and discussed briefly. The report was accepted after a motion was made by Norman Gehm and seconded by Rocky Brown.

Bonnie Freeman submitted to the Council a written report on the upcoming Picture Directory. She advised that a committee has been formed to work on all the details. Lifetouch will be printing our new Directory. Each family will receive a free 8 x 10" picture. Dates for scheduling appointments will be Sunday, April 4th, Easter Sunday, April 11th, and Sunday, April 18th. The pictures will be taken on Thursday, May 20th through Saturday, May 21st. This information will also be in our next Informer.

Finance Committee - No Report.

Board of Trustees - The Trustees approved a place to hang the Banners on a pole in the Sacristy using brackets. The Trustees need for the Council to approve this decision. Pastor Tom made a motion to accept the Trustees request. Norman Gehm seconded the motion. No dissent.

Men's Club - Rocky Brown reported that they had met and had a good meeting. Matt Knight was the guest speaker. Clean up Day at the church has been scheduled for Saturday, April 3rd. A recommendation was made in the form of a motion by Rocky Brown that the Board purchase an entire case of replacement bulbs. The cost is approximately \$113 plus shipping and handling. Norman Gehm seconded the motion. No dissent.

Women's Club - Johnsie reported that they had met. A Bake Sale is forthcoming.

Worship Committee - Barbara Gehm reported that the Worship Committee had met. The 5th Sunday Sing in February went very well. Carolyn English is working with the choir on the Easter music and trying to get more people to help us out. Pastor Tom has received confirmation that the Bishop will be our guest speaker for the Mortgage Burning Celebration. Our District Superintendent, Quay Adams, will also be attending. Tammy has started the Acolyte Training. The Committee is continuing to meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:00 PM.

PPRC - R.L. Rogers was nominated chairperson.

Missions - Ms. Frances Lewis gave a report for the Missions Committee. She thanked everyone for their help with the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. It was a big success.

At this time, Pastor Tom made a motion/recommendation for our church to start regular visits at Dundee Nursing Home - It was recommended that each Committee take on the responsibility of visiting the Nursing Home at least once a month. The Committee would take turns and Mary Bach would notify each Committee when it was their month for visitation. Norman Gehm seconded this motion. No dissent.

Education Ministry - Joye Burroughs reported that the average attendance for Sunday School in February was 56. The total Sunday School Offering was \$253.83.

Best Year's Club - Betty Evans was not present, but Jeff reported that approximately 350 plates were sold at the March 5th Fish Fry.

UMYF - Jackie Branch reported that they had taken eight (8) kids to the Hockey game in Florence, plus adults. They are going to have a Fund Raiser by selling Krispy Kreme donuts. Plans are also being made to take the youth to a Pelicans Baseball Game in Myrtle Beach. Also, The UMYF have been invited to go to the Santee for a day of fellowship and fun. Jeff and Betty Evans will be hosting this event.

Men's Club - Rocky Brown reported that they have started to work on the Barbecue that is scheduled for April 30 - May 1st.

Pastor's Report - Pastor Tom gave a brief report on the Bishop's visit. Also, he advised that we still have sausage and orange juice left from the pancake supper. He recommended that we have breakfast of sausage biscuits, coffee and orange juice on the morning of our clean up. This was agreeable by everyone.

Also, Pastor Tom advised that the Men's Club is going to support the recommendation to purchase a sign for our church. Pastor Tom had several proposals. R.L. Rogers made a motion for the church to pursue the purchase of a sign. Rocky Brown seconded the motion. Norman Gehm made an amendment to the motion that the Men's Club pursue the legwork and bring back the final recommendation for the purchase of the sign. This was agreed upon by the Council.

Pastor Tom advised that Ms. Sirt has questions about her job as custodian for our church. She wants to know if anyone else in our church would like to have her position. After discussion, Rocky Brown made a motion that we make no changes with the job of custodian. Norman Gehm seconded the motion. All agreed.

No further business, meeting was adjourned with prayer.

**CHURCH COUNCIL**  
**CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**APRIL 12, 2004**

Leroy Perkins opened the meeting with prayer. Seventeen were present. Barry Barrington gave a short devotional titled "Confused on Where We're Going and How We're Going to Get There".

Jeff Evans said he was very proud of the turn out for clean up day and for the Sunday cantata.

Betty Evans submitted the minutes from the last meeting. Barbara Gehm had graciously taken the minutes then for Betty. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept the minutes and Doris Miller seconded the motion. It was passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasurer's report. Nothing has been paid on the apportionments this year so far. The payment schedule was set up so we could skip one month a per but not three. Payments were suppose to be \$14,488 - \$1610.00 per month. Barbara Gehm made the motion to accept the report and R.L. Rogers seconded the motion. It was passed.

Tom Williams gave the Finance report. They have had a brief meeting but a new meeting has been scheduled. Rocky <sup>GRAVES</sup> Brown has resigned as Chairman so they will have to elect a new Chairman at the next meeting.

Paul Branch gave the Men's Club report. Their meeting next week is the last one before the BarBQue. Glen Cowan still has tickets to sell. Rocky Brown is in charge of donations. R.L. Rogers said they only have \$930.00 so far in donations. Men's Club has approved getting a sign for the church. They are looking at different options.

Frances Lewis made the Women's Club report. They need more members. May 14 is the Relay For Life. The Elizabeth Williams circle will donate the money to buy 14 luminaries for cancer survivors. The women will have a bake sale the day of the BarBQue ( May 1). The cantata was taped and will be sent to Dundee..

Barbara Gehm gave the Worship report. They met March 17. They discussed the Easter Cantata and Mortgage Burning. Tom will put something in the newsletter about this. Tom moved praises up to be with the announcements during the church service. They talked about clean up day. They will meet this Wed. for final arrangements for Sunday.

Frances Lewis gave the Missions report for Mary Bach. They met April 7 with 10 present. They gave \$100.00 to hospice. The first Sunday each month money is taken up for Missions but starting in May it will be the second Sunday. Three groups have gone to visit at Dundee in March. The Elizabeth Williams Circle will do both visits this month.

Doris Miller gave the Nature report. Christine Jordan's sister passed away but the church did not do anything.

Kay Knight gave the Education report. March average attendance was 52 and the total offering was \$149.45.

Tom gave the report for Janet McDonald on Family Ministries. Lay Speaking school has been held at our church for three Sunday nights. Janet fed them light refreshments. There will be four groups for the four quarters in the year. We are now in the second quarter. Terry Cowan's group will trade with Marjorie Pittman's group to do the Mortgage Burning dinner.

Betty Evans gave the report on the Best Years Club. They are planning a trip to Branson, Mo. Oct 11 -17, 2004. There are still some seats left. May 8 will be the next dinner. May 29 will be the annual yard sale.

Glen Cowan said the MYF group has been very successful. They are getting more and more kids. We need to decide what the top age for the group should be. We don't want to lose anyone. More alcoholics are needed. Paul said someone had made a donation of \$300 for the MYF group to use.

R.L Rogers said there was no report for PPRC.

Linda Collins gave the report on Evangelism. They met April 5 with four present. They discussed having a monthly worship service at Dundee. Diane Stanton will coordinate this. She needs suggestions. May 15 Southern Sanctuary will perform at our church. They are from Mooresville, N.C. They will take a love offering. We will at least pay them \$150.00. Tom will ask Jerry Kendall to make flyers and we need to start advertising this now. Linda made the motion to allocate \$100 for advertising this group. Glen Cowan seconded this and it passed. We will start a shepherding program. When people are out a couple of times, someone will call them. They will put a Bible verse in the BarBQue plates. Jeff Evans will give his testimony April 25 in church.

Norm Gehm gave the Lay Leader report. He will go to the next Lay Leader class which will be in Marion and starts Sunday night. He spoke at Smyrna's Men's Club meeting last month.

Marjorie Pittman talked about starting the library. Jerry Kendall has the literature on getting this started.

Rev. Tom Williams gave his report. The Bishop and DS will be here for the Mortgage Burning ceremony by April 18. We have a new fax machine. Thanks to Mike Hamilton for this. The Integrity Gospel group from Pigeon Forge will be at Myrtle Beach April 25. Thanks to Jerry Kendall, Dody Kendall, Mary Bach, and Mildred Perkins for the banners and for the rail to hang them on in the Sacristy. Mildred made the Easter banner and the one of our church. Jerry put the rails up in the sacristy to hang them on. A mirror was also hung on the back of the door.



Someone is needed to hang the other pole in the sanctuary before Sunday. He also found some other old records but Marjorie Pittman will take care of this. May 16 is Graduate Sunday. We need to know everyone that graduates from High School or college. We know of Stephanie Collins and Glen Cowan. May 30 - June 2 is the annual conference in Orangeburg at Claflin College. Jerry Kendall and Tom will go. Tom wants the Revival to be before the Branson trip. He would like it to be Oct. 3,4,5, and 6. September would be prayer time for the Revival. Betty Evans made the motion for the these dates. Seconded by Marjorie Pittman. It passed. Tom asked who we would like to invite as the speaker. We decided to ask Jeff Dunn first, Sam Clardy second, and Jody Flowers third. Nor Gehm said the countywide revival is April 26 -29. There will be no prayer meeting that Wednesday. Tom will be the Master of Ceremonies on Wednesday night. Sunrise service was held this past Sunday. Basically the First Methodist church and ours are the ones sponsoring it now. Letters have been sent to all past pastors about the Mortgage Burning ceremony and Jeff Dunn has responded. He will not be able to come.

Jeff Evans, Chairman of Council, said he would go to Columbia and bring back a report on buses. We are trying to have an Emmaus social at our church. We are not trying to set one group apart from the others. It will be for anyone that has been on the Emmaus Walk. It will be a community meeting. He wanted to know how the Council feels about that. Frances Lewis , Barbara Gehm, and Barry Barrington said it was a good idea. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept the motion to have the Emmaus social at our church. Dianne Stanton seconded this. It passed. Tim will put this in the newsletter. Barry Barrington wanted to know when we would have it. Tom suggested we could have the first meeting and from there decide how often. We need to know who from our church has already gone on the walk. The church will only provide the electricity.

Rocky Brown challenged everyone to give time to the BarBQue. Jeff challenged everyone to invite two people to church and Sunday school.

Leroy Perkins wants to sing more "wake up" type songs. He also wanted know if we could cut the first Sunday of each month a little shorter since we have communion. The Worship Committee has tried to work on this.

Dianne Stanton wanted to know if we could hire someone to keep the nursery on Sunday nights during choir practice. Paul said he might know someone that would do this on Sunday night and Wednesday night. Norm Gehm made the motion to have Paul check on this and we would pay \$10.00 per hour. Linda Collins seconded this. It passed.

We adjourned with Tom saying a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Betty Evans



**CHURCH COUNCIL**  
**CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**CALL MEETING**  
April 25, 2004

Paul Branch opened the call meeting with prayer. Twenty members were present. Naida Singleton made the motion that the MYF open a checking account for the money for this group of the church. She will need three or four people to sign the papers for this. Rocky Brown seconded this motion. It was passed unanimously.

Tom Williams talked about the Mothers Day and Fathers Day programs for the church. He thinks the Council men should take care of the Mothers Day program and the Council Women should take care of the Mens Day program. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept Tom's proposal. Jerry Kendall seconded this proposal. It passed unanimously. Joy Burroughs volunteered to be in charge for the womens group and Jeff Evans asked Leroy Perkins to be in charge of the mens group. The money for this will be provided by the church.

Norm Gehm dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**CHURCH COUNCIL**  
**CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
May 9, 2004

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Dianne Stanton opened with prayer. Pat Rogers gave a devotion titled "Evidence of a Living Church". Jeff said we had had the highest attendance the last three weeks and he challenged everyone to invite at least two people to attend church and Sunday School.

The minutes for the April 12 meeting and the Call meeting were given. Corrections were: Rocky Graves was the Finance Chairman not Rocky Brown. Mary Bradshaw and others helped Janet McDonald serve the Lay Leader class.

Rev. Williams wanted to know what price we had agreed on to pay the singing group that is coming. We had agreed on at least \$150. Jeff said we were going to Columbia on Wednesday to look for a church bus. He also said the men and women needed to meet together for their next Emmaus meeting so they could plan for the Emmaus Social.

There is a problem with the person who was hired to keep the Nursery. She can't keep it for the price we pay if we are going to take out taxes. If she is an empty of the church, we have to take out FICA on her. We could have someone self-employed but our liability would not cover them. Tom will check out our insurance policy.(Abuse or neglect- will it cover this?) Paul said the insurance covers Sunday School and visitors. We do not have anyone for now. We need someone for Sunday night (1 hour) and Wednesday night (1 hour). Dianne will keep the nursery Saturday night for the singing. Chad Collins will help her. Jeff asked Dianne to check with that person to find out how much she would need if they have to have taxes taken out.

Glenn Cowan made the motion to accept the minutes with the corrections. Paul Branch seconded this. It passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasure's report. We did not pay the apportionments. We would have if the Men's club had had enough money to pay for the BarBQue meat. We had loaned them \$2555.74. We will be given that money back. Discussion followed. Are the Pension and Health Benefits and Insurance the same thing? Part of the Preacher's salary is the insurance and pension but Paul sends the insurance company \$400. \$125 is paid directly to the Pension Fund so the Preacher won't have to pay taxes on it. \$1657.34 in pension and health benefits is paid per month by the church. Apportionments were cut by \$10,000 but now our bill is separate and is now \$18,000. We got a grant for the first year so we wouldn't have to pay \$22,000. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept the report. Evelyn Smith seconded it. It was passed.

Norm Gehm is the new Finance Chairman. They will have their next meeting May 18. Tom will have a guest speaker for them who will talk on ways the church can raise money through wills, etc.

Betty Evans gave the Trustee report. They are looking into putting turbine(s) on the parsonage to help with the cooling system. Sunday School room doors need painting and so does other trim work. There are some more repairs needed at the parsonage so we wanted to have a PPRC and Trustee tour again some time soon of the parsonage. We discussed putting a timer on the heating/cooling system. Tom said we the Trustees needed to be responsible for opening and closing the church. Howard Pittman has been doing this and maybe a Trustee could do it when he couldn't.

Paul Branch gave the Men's Club report. They made over \$10,000 profit on the BarBQue. They still have some for sale. Jeff said the Men's Club will take over the sign project. They can purchase one for \$2,395 or two for \$4,150. Leroy Perkins wanted to know about putting flowers around the sign. That was turned over to the Men's Club.

Johnsie Stidd gave the Women's Club report. The Elizabeth William's circle met and Doris Miller had the program. They made \$680 on their bake sale. Brigetta gave a report on the child from Mexico that they sponsor. He got a bicycle for Christmas. Their next meeting will be a luncheon.

Norm Gehm gave the Worship report for Barbara. The mortgage burning ceremony went well and the next thing they have is the fifth Sunday Singspiration and dinner on May 30.

Mary Bach gave the Missions report. Visitation is going good. Linda Collins group has it this month.

Doris Miller gave the Nature report. We are glad there were no deaths this month.

There was no Education report but we do know that Vacation Bible School is June 6-10 with the celebration during church June 13. They will be meeting Tuesday, May 11 about Vacation Bible School.

There was no Family Ministries report.

Betty Evans gave the Best Years Club report. They are still working on the Branson, Mo. trip. Their last dinner was a big success.

Glen Cowan gave the MYF report. they have been having 7 to 9 kids. Wednesday is their last meeting for the summer but they will still have a few things throughout the summer.

Rev. Williams gave the PPRC report. Wednesday before Father's Day is moving day. He will be getting another church. Scarlet Tanner will preach the Father's Day service. Women will do the entire service. May 23 he will meet with

the PPRC from Antioch. Our Sunday morning service will be the same. There will be a Charge Conference the last Sunday in June. We will reset salary and other business. There will be Nine members to the new PPRC for the Charge. Both churches now have nine members. Both boards will meet. Glen wanted to know if this is forever. Tom said little churches will join other churches. He and Jerry Kendall removed 35 names on roll. We have taken in more than lost for the last three years. Bishop feels each pastor should serve at least 300 people. Jeff said Tom had indicated money so he asked if the pastor's salary had anything to do with having to take on a partner church. Tom said, "No." Doris Miller said we have about as many as First Church but they will not get another church. Tom said no church is protected from this. Doris Miller asked why they couldn't use lay leaders to do these services. Glen Cowan said if we had the right to say yes or no, why didn't we? Tom said the charge would be called Christ- Antioch because we were the larger church. Doris said she wished Tom had told the DS he would not be able to do as much for our church. Glenn said this was handled wrong. Our church heard about this from outside our church.

Linda Collins gave the Evangelism report. They met and discussed starting June 19 a service at Dundee. Dianne Stanton will coordinate this. Southern Sanctuary will come Saturday night. They want to have refreshments afterwards for everyone. The performance will last about one hour. Dianne said a sign from Pepsi will cost \$18. Paul suggested we put it on the back side of the church where there seems to be more traffic. They need someone to do the next testimony. They asked Glen Cowan and he will let them know.

Norm Gehm said there was no Lay report.

No History report was given.

Marjorie Pittman reported on Archives. She has some movies to be put in the library. Dianne will help Marjorie organize this.

Rev. Williams thanked everyone for their help when the Bishop was here. A report was sent to the Advocate. Graduate Sunday will be May 16. We have 5 college graduates and 4 high school graduates. Annual conference is May 30 - June 2. Tom and Jerry Kendall will go. Revival is Oct. 3-6. Tom wants to recommend inviting Jodi Flowers to do the Revival and Sam Clardy for Homecoming. Jeff Dunn said he could not do the Revival. Glen Cowan made a motion for Jodi to do the Revival and Sam to do the Homecoming. Mary Bach seconded and it passed.

Our next meeting is June 14. Evelyn Smith made the motion to adjourn. Doris Miller seconded and it was passed. Tom dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,  
Betty Evans

14 present  
1 visitor

Council  
June 14, 2004

1st Contribution

Jeff called to order

Linda Collins opened w/ prayer

Steve Goldberg gave devotion - "How The Body Works!"

Jeff - Contract on signs have been signed.

He & Tom went last week.

Levy talked to O'Brien for signs  
to go around. He showed a picture  
of them. 8" lettering will be on it.

New type vinyl will be used. It has  
an 8 1/2" warranty.

Bus Fund - ~~about~~ \$28,999.92 has in it.

Bus is being painted this week.

Will be ready for inspection by  
June 21.

Minutes - Betty Egan

~~Constitution~~ - Betty asked

Question - about \$300 \$150 agreed on  
singing - but \$300 was paid. We  
tried to be firm on what we decide from  
now on

Jeff - Did someone check on money before?

She was not here. Chris is paying  
out of pocket. He asked Paul if  
insurance ~~was~~ covered this for Kayce.  
Tom said he forgot to check it but  
he would

Jeff moved. R.L. Seconded. Passed.

Paul - Treasurer -

Paul is last year may report to compare it to -

Bible School \$250 given. Bills have been turned in. Oh says he still needs to give for the Mrs's Club.

John asked about Uplift <sup>Missouri</sup> - McElroy's & Woodcut ~~was~~ was Uphorn & U. with Budarrato. This June - 2945 but was \$7700 from Bar B Que and rest from elsewhere.

Expenses the yr - <sup>\$ total</sup> 16,649.25. More than last yr. Proportionment payments were paid. <sup>to catch up</sup> That is the difference.

No outstanding bills due. - Paul.

No more questions. Barbara motion Evelyn accepted. Passed.

Norm - Finance -

- ~~Hand~~ <sup>Hand</sup> Letter from Mrs. Co. (Lawson agency) about annuities - Learn more to church & ~~both~~ person, church & co. help it. If Council wants - we can put it out to congregation.

(Jeffy's letter) 7 1/2 % + tax deduction to person. Church can get money now.

Co will come to individuals to explain. Can be for any amount.

Will be put in Newsletter. Norm will write it up.

Brett - Trustees

Pastor's Room - heat & cooling - wants to put  
attic <sup>with thermostat</sup> ventilation fans, blow in insulation (full unit  
about) (needs \$300 worth), weathering  
doors & windows, check underneath to  
see if insulated, (Jerry says no insulation  
under). Other option is changing unit out.  
Other things done will be under \$1000 -  
maybe \$500 (squeaky) Submers - motorized w/thermostat

Trustees - have not spent any of the  
money - we have \$2000 for church passage  
we can spend w/out permission.

Unit is running top notch.

AL - asked if unit size is right. Brett  
said - if floor was insulated & attic fan -  
it would be OK.

Tom said it is only \$500. ~~Jerry wanted~~  
~~to check~~ We could still come back to  
ask for more if we need it. Paul said  
that amount was <sup>usually</sup> ~~OK~~ for Trustees to <sup>2000</sup> ~~spk~~.  
Paul says we need to put out make work  
before winter. Majori says we need ~~about~~  
\$1000 ~~sp~~ - ~~costs~~ board. Barbara 2nd. Passed.

Brett - church unit is going fast. He can't <sup>see</sup> ~~through~~  
He suggest we need to get something  
next year after winter. He has a plan.  
Middle section - is fine. This back  
part is

Thermostat - will take it a long time for heat to come  
turn down ahead of time. down.



proposed ~~the~~ <sup>thermostats</sup> - believe he'll  
save money. \$80 each thermostat.  
He purchased 4. Will donate if we  
will not pay for it.

Sanctuary - <sup>4</sup> ~~1~~ <sup>mechanical</sup> thermostats. 2 were  
at home. Will wear out.  
Vestibule - thermostat - ~~off~~ <sup>needs fixing</sup> wrong.  
~~Will be~~ <sup>can pay for</sup> to cut  
out we

And 7 <sup>therms</sup> to do whole church. \$560  
plus install etc. Betty said he  
would put in for.

Young motion to put them <sup>proposed</sup> on ~~all~~.  
Whole church. Joff - down  
and lock box. Butt - no. Let's  
try like w/out. 2 hrs later will  
return to program even if people missed  
with.

Drill - screws - Wants new jacks ..  
About \$200 for church.

Drum - Joff - motion.  
"I motion be allowed to change all them  
to proposed thermostats & both drills."

Barbara seconded. Passed.

Betty said ~~Barbara~~  
Barbara ~~seconded~~

Monthly payment of \$32.05 for own element.  
Tom - said we sent them a letter stating they need to get

approval first. Rusty said they didn't  
~~have~~ contact ~~them~~. Tom said we need  
But suggested we let it slide & write the  
a letter. They said we need to say  
this is final time. If we keep letting  
them. Will have Rusty write a letter  
& hand deliver. Janet wanted it certified.  
We already have that.

Tom - rental house has pool & trampolines.  
He checked to see if we're responsible.

There is a form we need to check to see  
if they have that form of insurance.  
Rusty called people & they said they  
had a homeowner policy to cover  
pool & trampoline. They were to fax it.  
We have not gotten it. <sup>Egbert wanted to know about</sup> Since. ~~from~~  
said it doesn't matter we are responsible.

Tom said we accept respon., they  
have to get insurance, or get insured  
or they will have to leave.

Jeff will call the renter.

Mrs's Club - Paul

Good attendance. Directed to Bus Fund,  
VB3, & sign  
Left <sup>from Bob B's time</sup> - \$6400 but still have bills  
for sign.

Women's Club - Doris  
- went to magazine store to have book  
the next week.

Writing - Barbara -

Fifth Sunday & Scarlet Dawn next Sun.  
Lolupotshi sent for his part Jan.

Joy Burroth <sup>at home</sup> in the 5 Day  
from alodites.

Jon from Antioch - may be late - Jay  
Linder will go ahead & start  
Kupment in July.

Scarlet Dawn - <sup>Jeffard</sup> Do we pay?

Tom said he gets 4 Sundays per yr. off.

But we have to pay her 30 per week  
at both. They want to give her 100.

We need to pay her 50. Paul <sup>will get</sup> <sup>her</sup> <sup>check</sup>  
Carolyn English has 2 weeks which church  
has to pay for.

Miranda May - not here.

Jan 1/40 took us <sup>to</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>post</sup> Sunday. Have old

\$1100 in that fund. Are sharing in paying  
for Barabara. We are obligated for  
church for \$100 per month, make

donations to Hospice, and some to  
Nedy families in church, I have paid  
about \$100 to Barabara,

Tom <sup>has</sup> \$100 to Mark Co. Ministerial Assoc.

Paul asked about <sup>per yr.</sup>  
Sage Bowl Sunday - Tom will get with  
him.

Doris - Nature - even

Education - an

Janet - Family Ministries  
left 5th Sunday  
in July.

BYC - Best yr. Betty  
- still working in trip.

BYF - going ~~over~~ to Cardinals.

RL - PPAC

Discussed Change PPAC Com

Antioch 3 members - 40%

Ans will be 2004 & 2005 class will be 2006  
next yr 2006 will join.

RL  
Cork Buta

Bill Altman  
Dell Cain

Tom said

~~Change~~ 4:30 on June 27. -

Continuation of the Antioch. We

will vote about new Change PPAC for 1 yr.

Salary for Pastor. <sup>with 14% if we</sup> ~~only~~ wait then

to pay on Pastorage again also. next yr.

Linda - Evangelism

- Will go to Purdue Sat at 2:30 for

Will do a visitation of our church members.

Stargazing - 3 Sundays asked people to commit. 12 people  
signed up.

Will have to decide if this is enough.

Nom - Lay Leader -

Mildred asked to buy up Digital hymnal  
for us. (We'll play every song in book)

~~to that side has part of Bibles.~~

Co \$75 will what if we ship it  
This will go toward bill if we decide  
to have it fixed. Mildred <sup>will</sup> take care  
Nom motion to spend \$75 to see if  
can be fixed. Linda 2nd.

Jerry - Will it be a treat to Laurel.

Nom - no.

Passed.

Jerry - Historian

We try to get Bk up today

264 members now. 17 need to look at.

~~We~~ need to know if want to be on roll.

Tom - said procedure to do this. Took to  
charge conference after trying to reach them.

If you hear nothing from 2nd yr - do same.

3rd yr - at Charge Conf they can be removed.

If we hear from them & they want their  
names removed we can take off 15 charge  
conf.

Jerry stated he was not in favor of taking  
anyone off. Hopefully we would be  
taking someone.

Majorie - Arthur from Diocese School Leaver  
Promotion ~~letter~~ has said will help her.  
Linda wants to know if can check out.  
We can put a bit in there  
Can write name on list for now.  
Videos were donated. Nothing has been  
announced about what is there. Majorie will  
take care of that.

Norm - Checks on outside. Johnny Collins  
Real yard group & Sunday School class.  
Did shoot shoot & fishing that afternoon.

Tom - Review Oct 3 & 4  
Has talked to Jeff Dunn, Jodi Iwama <sup>for the</sup> ~~after~~  
<sup>master</sup> ~~Dratt~~,

Sam will do something - in Nov.  
~~Thom~~ Digested - Carl Henscher in Company man.  
Wants to call him next. ~~that~~ We Okayed.

Antick - Will start at 9:30 for church. so Sam  
can be here on time.

He will begin then on June 20 but Scarlett Sam  
will do first service.

Lizzy - Magazine Church - this screen is clean -  
has announcements on it & soft music before screen.  
Tom would like see church ~~do~~ this. It is a  
Point - it is a fool of new church.

Tom - motion we adjourn.  
Tom closed 1:51 prayer.

CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH COUNCIL  
SUNDAY, JUNE 27, 2004

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Glenn Cowan opened with prayer. This meeting was called to discuss the need for a new computer in the church office. The old one is broken and beyond repair. Rev. Williams had offered to use his computer for a while. Jeff asked Jerry Kendal and Bonnie Freeman to check on a new computer. they recommended a Hewlett Packard from circuit City in Florence. The total package would cost \$1165.93 but there are \$300 in rebates. Jerry made the motion to purchase this Hewlett Packard package. R.L. Rogers seconded this motion. Carol Hutchins asked about what funds were available to purchase this. Jeff said we could get it out of the General Fund or we could ask the Men's Club to purchase it. R. L. Rogers said the Men's club had the money in their account if they chose to do this. Bonnie Freeman and Jerry Kendal will set up the new computer. Jerry Kendal made an amendment to his motion to say that if the Men's club can't purchase it all that we will take the balance out of the General Fund of the church and that the Men's club would get the rebates for their account. This was then voted on and passed.

Jerry Kendal wanted to thank everyone in getting the new church bus for all they had done.

We adjourned.

Respectfully,



Betty Evans

Christ United Methodist Church Council Minutes  
July 12, 2004

Glen Cowan opened with prayer and read a devotional about the Christian's Perspective.

Glen read a Thank You card from Karen and Mike Pittman.

Board of Trustees: No report

Women's Clubs: No report

Worship Committee: No report

Congregational Care: Doris Miller reported that her committee had prepared food for the family of Roxie Wallace and she thanked those that helped.

Sunday School: Kay Knight reported an offering of \$182.51 and an average attendance of 51 during the month of June. Promotion Sunday is being discussed and we were asked to come up with ideas to increase Sunday school attendance.

Finance: Paul corrected the mistake in the financial report from Karen Patterson to Karen Pittman. The bus was purchased during the month of June. The insurance and tags will be paid in July. It will be reimbursed when the tax exempt number is received. RL Rogers moved that the financial report be accepted and Doris Miller seconded. It was passed.

Men's Club: Paul Branch reported that Leroy and Ron fed them a good meal and they had about 18 in attendance. Kyle Collins gave a program outlining his plans for the church relating to his eagle project. This includes landscaping the yard and a flagpole. The flagpole is up.

Family Ministry: No report

UMYF: The trip to Santee has been cancelled.

Best Year's Club: The trip to Branston has been cancelled. There were not enough that signed up to go.

PPRC: RL Rogers reported that the Charge Conference this year will be combined with six members from our church and three from Antioch. The following members will represent our church



PPRC. ( Bill Altman, Jerry Kendall, Carol Hutchins, Gordon Driggers, Jackie Branch, and RL Rogers)

Evangelism: Linda Collins reported that the Evangelism Team met on the first Monday in July. The Team will be holding a service at Dundee on July 17<sup>th</sup>. The Team worked on the Shepherding Project. There are 19 shepherds signed up as of now.

Pastor's Report: Tom reported that Carl Hunsucker will be the revival speaker from October 3-October 6. The Homecoming speaker will be Sam Clardy on November 14<sup>th</sup>. The Charge Conference is coming early on September 12<sup>th</sup> which is a Sunday at 1:30. It will be at our church. The Day of Dreaming is also being planned. The Custodian has resigned as of July 29<sup>th</sup>. The PPRC is responsible for interviewing but Council input is encouraged. An ad will be placed in the paper advertising the job. There will be a job description given to any applicants. Doris Miller mentioned her daughter-in-law might be interested in this job. Tom said he has traveled to Columbia, Florence, and Bennettsville visiting Cora Brewer, Betty's Dad, and Jimmy Jackson in the hospital.

Discussion: Leroy Perkins asked about the rental house. What is being done? There was some discussion about whether to rent it right away or wait. It was decided that the Trustees need to check what shape it is in immediately. The renters forfeited their deposit when they moved out. Tom will call Rusty about this tonight. There also needs to be a plan for renting the house. The Council will wait on a report from the Trustees before deciding what to do with the house. The bus was also discussed. It was suggested that the Trustees come up with a plan as to who will drive the bus, how it will be used, and who will use it.

Tom dismissed with prayer.

*By,  
Linda Collins*

**CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, AUGUST 9, 2004**

Jeff Evans welcomed everyone. Glenn Cowan said a prayer and Joye Burroughs gave a devotional titled, "Commitment to Hope". There were fourteen members and the pastor present.

Jeff thanked everyone for all the things that were going on in the church: Mary for visiting the nursing home, Linda for the Shepherding program, Sunday School starting a new year, and the MYF group. He also asked that we pray for the men going on the Emmaus Walk on Sept. 23. They are Bobby Hodges and Mitchell Watson. Also the signs should be finished tomorrow.

Betty Evans, secretary, thanked Linda Collins for taking minutes in her absence at the last meeting. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept the minutes as written. R.L. Rogers seconded the motion. It was passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasure's report. He has not receive the Mission Society receipt yet. He did not pay the July apportionments. We have only paid 40% so far. We will get a refund on taxes from Gene Moore. Paul will check on that this week. He took \$1500 out of general fund and put it in the bus fund to pay the taxes on the bus. But the taxes only cost \$339. So the Bus Fund owes the general fund \$1500 back. Paul will put that money out of the Bus Fund back into the General Fund. Brett Singleton installed new thermostats in church, compressor, gas pack, an attic fan and thermostat in the parsonage, and blower motor and steeple timer in the church. His bill was \$2394 for parts. He donated his time. We had more in general fund last year than this year because the Men's Club had put all their BarBQue money in it last year. Glenn Cowan made the motion to accept the report. Barbara Gehm seconded it. It was passed.

Norm Gehm, Finance, said they had not met since the last meeting. August 30 is their next meeting.

Rusty Sides gave the Trustees report. He gave out a copy of the rules they had come up with for the bus. Jeff asked if some group was on the road and the bus tears up. What happens? Rusty said the Trustees suggested the church get a credit card to check out with when the keys are checked out. Rusty also said money for the Bus Fund needed to be in the budget every year for maintenance purposes. Trustees wanted to know if we should charge fees for use. Jeff suggested that each

group pay back some to the bus fund every time it is used. Paul said day trips could take up a collection. Jeff said the Trustees should work out something about adding this into the rules for use so we would have money for the maintenance. The driver will need to know to get that. Add to rules that who gets the group together gets the driver. A list of drivers will be provided with the rules. Drivers names are on our insurance policy. Trustees will check on oil, etc., maintenance of bus. Rusty will check on this.

Rusty also said he and Brett had checked on the rental house. The carpet needs cleaning, and it needs painting. He is trying to get this done. He will talk to Paul Branch and Gray Burroughs is calling Mike Williams. We will tour the parsonage tomorrow. Our problem is getting someone to do the work. Trustees recommend that we rent the rental house again for \$650 and the renters take care of their yard. Norm seconded this. It carried. Rusty will get the work done and take out an ad in the paper.

Paul Branch gave the Men's Club report. They had 15 members at the last meeting. R.L. and Jeff had the meal. Jeff Evans talked about the Emmaus Walk. Johnny Collins talked about the landscape project. He had made a beautiful wooden cross that has been put up.

Johnsie Stidd was absent so there was no report from the Women's Club.

Barbara Gehm gave the Worship Committee report. We are to have a Fifth Sunday on August 29, September is their month to visit the nursing home, wants the church to buy another lapel microphone so we could have one for things like the children's story, and gave several special dates coming up. Jeff talked to them about the 2005 BarBQue. He wants to have gospel singers to come that day.

Mary Back gave the Missions report. Nine were present at their last meeting. Dr. Cain's sister is a missionary and they sent a one time donation of \$100 to her in China. She thanked everyone for their visits to the nursing home.

Doris Miller was absent so no Nuture report was given.

Joye Burroughs gave the Education report. July's collection was \$126.36. The average attendance was 38. They have some new ideas for the Sunday School program for attendance like rewards for children with regular attendance for bringing their Bible, etc. There will be new teachers for the Older Adult class. They

are Norm Gehm, Brett Singleton, Jeff Evans and Joye Burroughs. they are to teach once a month.

Janet McDonald was absent. No Family Ministry report.

Best Years report was given by Betty Evans. The hot dog and ice cream social was canceled in July due to illness in Betty's family. The Chicken Dumpling Lunch will be Friday, October 22 from 11:00 to 1:00. December 2, we hope to have a bus trip to eat at Bennett's Seafood at the beach and see one of the Christmas shows. we would also like to take a group to see the Christmas program at Lexington.

Jeff gave the MYF report. He said the MYF washed the church bus while we were at Santee with it and that we had prayer with this kids before we left on their trip.

R.L. Rogers gave the PPRC report. Our church PPRC will meet August 24 to discuss salaries. Both charges will meet on Sept. 12 to discuss the pastor's salary and then it will be presented to the church council.

Linda Collins gave the Evangelism report. We have 24 shepherds and this coming Sunday we will have a service in church sending forth the shepherds. She gave out cards to send to people during the shepherding meeting and they signed some cards that night to send out to 14 people who have been out. they are not going to Dundee this month because of a conflict but they will be back next month. Jackie Bradshaw will give his testimony this month. Fred Knight will do the Sept. testimony.

Lay Leader, Norm Gehm, did not have a report.

Jerry Kendall was absent so no Historian report was given.

Marjorie Pittman, Librarian, said the books were on the shelves in alphabetical order according to the authors name. Once they get the cards filled out we will be able to check out the books, etc. Angela Freeman helped get this arranged.

Tom Williams thanked everyone for all they have done. The Day of Dreaming is set for Sat., Aug, 14 (9-12:30). Aug. 22 is a Housewarming for Cathy and Jimmy Long. Mildred Perkins headed this up. It will be at the church from 3:30 to 5:00 and it is a linen shower. The Christ-Antioch Charge Conference has been moved to Sept. 26 at 1:30. Anyone that is a member can come and vote on reports, salaries, etc. We will have a revival Oct. 3-6 and Rev. Carl Hunsucker will be the minister. We will

have cottage prayer for the revival Sept. 7, Sept. 14, Sept. 21, and Sept. 28. On Nov. 14 we will have a veteran's day celebration. And Homecoming is scheduled for Nov. 21 with Rev. Sam Clardy as the minister. We have hired a new custodian. Her name is Lavon Ward Evans. She worked with Mrs. Cert a few times before starting on her own. Joye Burroughs wants to know if she can clean the nursery. She will do this. She is on a probation period.

Jeff talked about the bus being used. Marjorie Pittman said Karen Pittman got home from the hospital yesterday. Leroy Perkins said he would like Antioch and Christ churches do something together. Carolyn English has invited anyone from either church who would like to sing in the Christmas cantata. Mildred has checked on an instrument to play music before the services begins. (Digital Hymnal)

Paul dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Respectfully,".

Betty Evans

**Christ United Methodist Church Council Meeting**  
**September 13, 2004**

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order and Glen Cowan opened with prayer.

Betty Evans passed out the minutes of the last meeting and R.L. Rogers made the motion to accept these as they were. Barbara Gehm seconded this and it was passed.

The Treasurer's report was given by Paul Branch. Bobby Hodges is not going on the Walk to Emmaus. We will try to have the money for him transferred . He had not paid the pension and insurance before the month was out but it has been paid now for Sept. and Aug. Barbara Gehm made the motion to accept Paul's report . Evelyn Smith seconded this and it passed. We need to keep getting last year's report every month so we can compare the two years.

Brett Singleton gave his cousin's testimony as the devotional. It was an email she had sent Brett about her husband who is in the service. His tank was attacked but his team escaped without harm. He also gave the Youth report. The youth had gone swimming at Glen and Terri Cowans'. One of their goals is to start an Awana group (kindergarten to 6th grade). We have a Junior Youth group (7th - 9th graders). It was suggested to have a part-time youth minister and/or use the rental house. We have Vacation Bible School once a year. 75% of all Christians are saved by the time they are 14 years old. \$250 in Outreach ministries. He asked for \$500 for Youth Program. Tom said Finance Committee will meet soon for next year's budget . he needs to take that to them. Glen suggested we pray about it.

PPRC report was given by R.L. Rogers. He gave the salary proposal for the preacher for next year. It was agreed on. Norm will give that report.

Norm Gehm gave the salary. There will be a 2% wage increase for the pastor. Antioch pays 13% of everything now but will pay 20% of everything in the future. The pastor's salary will be \$53,067 for nest year. We will pay \$42,454. Antioch will pay \$10,613. Reimbursements for 2005 - Christ will pay \$5000 and Antioch will pay \$1000. (Comes out of salary) (See attached report.)

Antioch has not paid anything on the rent on the parsonage for this year. It would be 5x\$130 if we want to go back on this. Tom does not like that idea but he will

ask the DS about this. Tom said annual conference was \$200 per year but he wants to increase that to \$300 (\$240 for Christ and \$60 for Antioch) for each delegate. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept this about the salary for the Pastor and the reimbursements. Evelyn seconded this. it passed. PPRC will discuss the salaries for the other employees and will come back to us with that.

Brett Singleton gave the Trustees report. He and Rusty Sides had gone through the rental house. It needs a little cleaning and a little maintenance. Mike Williams did the work on the facial boards and thresholds. It costs \$350 and this was paid out of the Building Fund. someone did some work on the windows and we're waiting to have these checked. Council wants us to meet about the rental house. Choir room and Glen's room are leaking. Brett is checking our the refrigeration system in the kitchen. The ice machine's new pump is here. Brett said we need to consider a new air/heat system.

Jeff asked Paul if we can borrow money form the Bus Fund to do the work on the rental house and then pay it back. Norm made this motion and Glen seconded it. Paul suggested to leave the money in the Bus Fund until time to pay the bill. Tom will call Rusty about Trustee meeting. Paul wants to know if men and women could have a work day to do the work on the rental house. Paul will call a Men's Club meeting after church Sunday about painting and fixing the rental house.

Men's Club report was given by Paul Branch. Nine were present at the last meeting. Johnny Newton spike on the Mimosa project. They gave him a \$200 donation for this project.

Johnsie Stidd retired as the president of the Elizabeth Williams Circle. Doris Miller is the new president. They have discussed giving money to Cheraw Primary School.

Barbara Gehm gave the Worship Committee report. Christmas cantata practice. It will be Dec. 12 at night. The two churches will come together that night.

Mary Bach gave the Missions report. The VeHorns will be here Dec. 12. They sent \$50 to Cheraw Primary School.

Doris Miller gave the Nuture report. They did the Driggers/Haithcock family food. They had a good turn out to help. Her husband gave a wonderful testimony before the meal.

Tom Williams gave the Education report. 53 was the average attendance last month. \$181.71 was the offering. There is an increase in interest. They will put computerized names on the classes.

Janet McDonald gave the Ministries report. On the fifth Sunday Antioch joined us. In Oct., Brett's youth group will prepare a meal and serve it. They will accept donations for the meal for the youth.

Best Years Club report was given by Betty Evans. There will be a Chicken and Dumpling dinner Oct. 22 from 11 to 1. Plates will be \$6. On Dec 2 some of the members will be going to the beach for a Christmas show and to eat at Bennett's restaurant. We sent \$110 to Cheraw Primary school.

The youth has \$500 in the Youth Ministries Fund. Glen said all kids from 2 to 18 years old are in this group. They need basketball goals in the parking lot. There is volleyball stuff here. They need to get it out.

Linda Collins was not present to give her Evangelism report.

Norm Gehm, gave the Lay Leader report. The choir is paying a baby sitter \$13 or \$14 each time. He feels the church should be paying this. Insurance was discussed. Are we covered? Paul feels that the insurance covers this. Norm made the motion that the choir use their money in the budget to pay for this. This was passed. Norm also wanted to recognize Johnny Collins and Leroy Perkins for their work around the signs.

No report from Jerry Kendall.

Marjorie Pittman gave the report on the Library. She has been working on this and is very close to being finished with it.

Rev. Williams gave his report. There will be a Charge Conference Oct. 9 at Christ United . We will have a revival on Oct. 3-6 and Rev. Sam Clardy will be the speaker. He passed out our Day of Dreaming Goals. (See attached sheet) Norm Gehm made the motion to accept these as our goals. Glen Cowan seconded this and it passed.

Paul Branch said Sharon Lee had given a donation of \$1000 for a Youth Director. Barbara asked her if it could be transferred to Youth and Children activities. She



said yes. Norm made the motion to transfer this \$1000. Barbara seconded this motion and it passed. Paul will do that.

Norm made the motion to adjourn and he closed with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

**CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH COUNCIL  
CALL MEETING  
September 26, 2004**

Ten members and the preacher were present. Rusty Sides made the motion to pay Gary Butler to do the repairs (inside and out) on the rental house. He will be through by Nov. 1, 2004. Brett Singleton seconded this motion. It passed unanimously.

Respectfully,

Betty Evans

Christ United Methodist Church  
Church Council Meeting Minutes  
October 11, 2004

The Church Council of Christ United Methodist Church met on Monday, October 11, 2004. Glenn Cowan opened the meeting with prayer. Kathy Sloan gave a short devotion.

The minutes from the September meeting will be approved at the November Council Meeting.

The Treasurer's Report for September was reviewed and discussed briefly. Paul advised that we have received approximately \$100 from donations for repairs on the rental house. He also advised that he had made an error in the amount of money in the Bus Fund. The correct amount is \$2,162.62 and is listed in September's Report. The report was accepted after a motion was made by Margie Pittman and seconded by Doris Miller. No dissent.

Finance Committee - Has not met since the last Church Council Meeting. Norman Gehm made a motion that \$1000 (maximum) be transferred from the Bus Fund if needed, to pay for repairs on the rental house. This will be refunded when additional funds for building repairs come in. Margie Pittman seconded the motion. No dissent.

Men's Club - Gideons gave the program for the Men's Club. Also a donation was given to Kyle Collins to assist with landscaping of the church grounds.

Women's Club - Doris Miller reported that they had met the first of the month. They also gave a donation to Kyle Collins to assist with landscaping of the church grounds.

Worship Committee - Barbara Gehm reported that the Worship Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, October 20th at 6:00 PM. A Veterans Day Service is being planned for November 14th. Saturday, November 27, 2004, will be a Soup and Sandwich meal after decorating the church for the Hanging of the Greens. November 21st will be Homecoming with (retired) Pastor Sam Clardy bringing the message. The Christmas Cantata is planned for 6:00 PM, on Sunday, December 12th. A church wide Christmas Party including Antioch, is being planned.

Missions - Frances Lewis gave a report. There will be no meeting during November.

Education Ministry Report - Kay Knight reported that the average attendance for September was Sixty (60) and the total offering was \$174.06.

Evangelism - Diane Stanton is the new chairperson. They did meet in October. The Shepherding Program is going good. They will continue to go to Dundee the third Saturday of each month.

Lay Leader - Norman Gehm reported that Kyle Collins has completed his Eagle Scout Project in improving the landscape of the church grounds. The mower is currently at the John Deere Company for repair. Also, he reported that the digital hymnal is going to cost too much for repair.

*Barbara Gehm*

Pastor Tom announced that he would put the Charge Conference Report in the monthly Newsletter.

Also, the Community Thanksgiving Service will be a Trinity United Methodist Church in Bennettsville with Rev. Stephen Love, bringing the Thanksgiving Message. This will be on November 21st at 6:00 PM.

No further business, the meeting was adjourned with prayer.

*Barton M. Helm*

## **CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**

### **Nov. 9, 2004**

Eleven members, one visitor, and Rev. Williams were present.

The Treasurer's report was given by Paul Branch. He said all the apportionments may not be paid this year. We have to pay World Service, Conference Benevolence, and the Episcopal Fund. The main two are the Preacher's Pension and Insurance. If these are not paid, it will effect the preacher's money when he retires. Tom said we actually have until Jan. 15 to pay toward 2004 apportionments. Norm Gehm mad the motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Evelyn Smith seconded. It passed.

Betty Evans gave the minutes. October minutes were prepared by Barbara Gehm. BarBQue will be April 30, 2005. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept these and it was seconded by Mary Bach. It passed. September minutes included: Bobby Hodge's Emmaus money was transferred to Mitchell Watson. In Sept., Tom was asked to talk to the DS about asking Antioch for past rent on the parsonage for this year. The DS said not to do this. No more leaks have been spotted lately. Next month there will be a typed copy of the Sept. minutes available.

R.L. Rogers gave the PPRC report. They did not meet last month but will meet before Thanksgiving. Tom said it was time for the evaluation of the preacher. After the fourth year, the PPRC has to fill out a form if we wish to have him return. It is due back by Dec.. 15. They will also need to discuss the two remaining salaries(the custodian and the pianist).

Norm Gehm gave the Finance Committee report. They met last Thursday and did preliminary work on the budget. If any committee wants an increase for next year, they need to go to their next meeting.

Trustees report - Paul said he fixed the commode in the ladies restroom. Brett will check the sink in the kitchen. The Trustees decided to charge \$650 rent per month on the rental house if the renters keep the yard and \$800 per month if we have to keep the yard. Norm made the motion that we put an ad in the paper. Dianne Stanton seconded this and it passed. It was suggested that Rusty call Bobbie Sue Latham to see if she could help us rent it.

Paul Branch gave the Men's Club report. Roger Williams spoke at their last meeting and they had approximately twenty present.

The Women's Club report was given by Frances Lewis. They met this past Tuesday at a new time of 3:00 PM. They will not have a December meeting. Instead they will go out to eat. They still help support a little boy and they will be sending his Christmas gift.

Norm Gehm gave the Worship Committee report for Barbara. Nov. 14 will be the Veteran's Day Service, Nov. 21 will be Homecoming with Sam Clardy as pastor, and Nov. 27 will be a Soup and Sandwich supper after the Hanging of the Greens.

Mary Back gave the Missions report. They met Wednesday will nine present. Visitation for Dundee has been going on for one year now. In Nov, they will deliver a Thanksgiving dinner to all the shut-ins. They gave money to the church to help with the budget. They voted to give the choir money to help pay the nursery keeper for choir practice. They want money for this to be put in their budget for next year.

Kay Knight gave the report on Education. The average attendance for October was 57. The Sunday School offering for October was \$226.49. The teachers from the First Church and our teachers will work together to organize the 40 Day Adventure for February during the Sunday School time. It was approved to have an assembly before Sunday School. Time will be discussed later.

Janet McDonald was not present to give the Family Ministries report. Homecoming is coming up but we don't have a committee for this. Tom will check with Janet about this.

Betty Evans gave the Best Years Club report. On Dec. 2 there will be a bus trip to the beach for supper and a Christmas show. On Dec. 4 we will have the Christmas dinner. We made over \$1300 on the chicken and dumpling dinner. We paid \$300 to the Building Fund to help with the renovations on the rental house.

No one was present to give the UMYF report. There is a trip planned for Sat. with the First church. Tom will check on this.

Dianne Stanton gave the report on Evangelism. they met Nov. 4 and will meet the third Monday in the month from now on. Shepherding is going well. Birthdays and anniversaries are posted on the bulletin board. Naida Singleton's cousin wants to come to perform on Dec. 1. Youth will be involved with this. The Men's Club has asked them to get gospel groups for the BarBQue. They go to Dundee every third Saturday at 2:30.

Norm Gehm said there was no Lay Leader report.

Marjorie Pittman said she did not have a report for Archives.

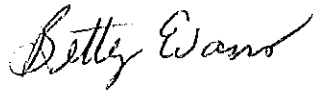
Rev. Williams said he wanted our church to do a Christmas party for the Wallace Family Life Center. He wants to know if anyone was willing to help him with that? If so, contact him.

Jeff Evans, Chairman, said Mr. Pearson's house next door to the church was for sale. Mr. Pearson has been asked to move out or buy the house for \$100,000. He has asked our church to purchase the house and rent it to him. Jeff told him we had a house for rent behind him. Jeff promised he would not approach the son about purchasing the house until Mr. Person decided what he wanted to do. Leroy Perkins

said Mr. Pearson has found an apartment that he will probable take. Jeff asked if the church wanted to purchase the house. And if so, how are we going to use it? Discussion followed. Norm Gehm made the motion that if the son approached the church about buying the house, we were not interested. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. It passed.

Norm Gehm made the motion to adjourn. R.L.Rogers seconded this and it was passed. Paul said a closing prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members Present:

Dianne Stanton

Evelyn Smith

Betty Evans

Paul Branch

Norm Gehm

Frances Lewis

Mary Bach

Kay Knight

R.L. Rogers

Jeff Evans

Marjorie Pittman

**Christ United Methodist Church Council Meeting**  
**December 13, 2004**

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Nine members and the pastor were present. Rev. Williams opened with prayer. Dianne Stanton gave a devotional titled, "Just A Moment".

Jeff said it was an exciting time of the year for our church. We should celebrate Jesus birth but also remember that he was born to die for our sins.

Betty Evans passed out the minutes. Paul Branch will check on getting a credit card to use with the bus. The bus drivers will be responsible for servicing the bus for now. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept the minutes. Dianne Stanton seconded this. It passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasurer's report. When we need more wax for the floors Jeff will check at Carl's to see if we can get some through them a little less expensive. About 85% to 90% of the apportionments will be paid after this month. We have about \$2000 left to pay. Tom will talk about this in the newsletter and from the pulpit. There have been some phone changes. Our web page was canceled and the phone line in the kitchen has been canceled. The kitchen phone will be hooked up to the office line. Internet service was added. Bonnie Freeman will try to install that Tuesday. Unlimited local and long distance calling was added. Our bill should be about \$180 per month now instead of about \$275. Betty Evans made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Glen Cowan seconded this. It passed.

R.L. Rogers gave the PPRC report. They have met twice since our last meeting. They have a proposal to add a 2% increase on the choir director's salary and to evaluate the custodian and maybe give her a 2% raise. The custodian has been relieved of her job. They also did the Pastor's evaluation.

Norm Gehm, Finance Chairman, was absent. Tom will talk to him about trying to meet with his committee before the end of the year.

Rusty Sides gave the Trustees report. Two people want to rent the rental house. One has a small dog and works at the prison.(Andrea Jenkins) The other is an elderly lady whose son and daughter will live with her. He also presented a tenant agreement. He got help writing this from Bobbie Sue Latham. (See attached copy)



Discussion followed about late fees. It was decided to keep it the way it is on the agreement. We discussed giving the renters the option of having a bank draft. The monthly rental fee is \$800 if we keep up the yard and \$650 if they keep up the yard. Rusty made the motion that we accept the first lady that works at the prison to be the renter. Paul Branch seconded this. It passed. Tom suggested we have a police check but it was decided that if she works at the prison then she has already had that. If this lady backs out, Rusty made the motion that we accept the second lady -Georgia McRae. R. L. Rogers seconded this motion. It passed. Marjorie Pittman made the motion that we accept the Tenant Agreement with the following changes: the address of the church to 818 Hamlet Hwy., no pools or trampolines allowed, damage done by animals is the renter's responsibility. The renters will be given the chance to use bank draft. R.L. Rogers seconded this. It passed. The advertisement ran in the paper for two weeks. We need to have three more sets of keys made for the rental house.

Tom said groups that need to use the church at night usually come by the parsonage for the key but sometimes he might not be home. He said the Trustees need to work on a plan about this.

Paul gave the Men's Club report. They had about 15 members at the last meeting. Jeff Evans spoke. Friday night will be their Christmas party. They will take their wives to Pembroke for supper. They will leave at 6:00.

There was no report on the Women's Club.

Tom gave the Worship Committee report. There will be a Christmas Eve service from 6:00 to 6:45 with Individual Family Communion following.

Tom said the Missions Committee made several donations this year. They took a DSS child for Christmas and delivered Thanksgiving lunch to three shut-ins.

Doris Miller was absent. No Nuture report.

Kay Knight gave the report on Education. November's average attendance was 54 and the collection was \$192.59. They are working on doing "The Purpose Driven Life" program in conjunction with First Methodist Church. It will be done during Sunday School hour. Tom will call to cancel the regular literature for the time we will be doing this program.

Janet McDonald was absent. No Family Ministries report.

Betty Evans gave the Best Years Club report. The Christmas dinner was Dec. 4 and they had about 90 members and 10 helpers. There have been two bus trips to the beach for a Christmas show and a meal.

Glen Cowan gave the Youth report. Their Christmas party will be Wednesday at Brett and Naida Singleton's.

The Evangelism report was given by Dianne Stanton. They met last Thursday and she gave everyone an assignment to get entertainment for the Men's Club BarBQue. Dec. 8 Noah Bartlette came and he also performed on Saturday night at the Geddie-Cole Theater.

No Lay Leader report.

No Historian report.

Marjorie Pittman said she did not have anything to report on Archives.

Jeff Evans said the Men's Club wanted to challenge each of the adult congregation to give \$10 to the Men's Club each month in order to help raise \$5000 they need for their BarBQue. They want this to start Dec. 29. Paul made this a motion. Betty seconded it. It passed.

Paul made the motion that a copy of the financial report be added to the newsletter each month. Glen seconded this. It passed.

Rev. Williams said the custodian had been on a 90 day trial period. He let her go and gave her a 2 week notice, which she chose to work out. She will be paid until Dec. 21. They will look at the list of names they chose from before and add the one new one to it. Jerry Kendall, Mildred Perkins, and Tom did the interview last time. Tom also told us he would be retiring in June. Our new pastor will be here for Father's Day.

Paul said he had the county tax notice for the rental house. It was for \$1384.00.

Christmas bonuses were discussed. Last year the pastor was given \$200 and the choir director was given \$50. Glen Cowan made the motion that we give the same

amounts. Paul seconded this and it passed. R.L. Rogers will pass these out during church service this coming Sunday.

Glen dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Christ United Methodist Church Council Meeting  
January 10, 2005

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Eleven members were present and Pastor Tom.

Jeff Evans made the motion to accept the minutes and this was seconded by Doris Miller.

Paul Branch gave the Treasurer's report. He stated that 77.36% of the apportionments have been paid for the 2004 year. At the January meeting, Paul said we needed \$3,200.80 to pay 100% and this has to be paid before 100:00 AM on Jan. 15, 2005. Pastor Tom will make a plea before the church on the 14th to ask the people to give money to go for the apportionments. Norm Gehm made the motion to make up the difference out of the Bus Fund. Seconded by Paul Branch. The motion passed. Tom asked the members to pray about this and ask God's will.

PPRC report - no one present. (Gail Cain Chairperson)

Norm Gehm gave a short report on the meeting on Jan. 9 between Christ's PPRC and Antioch's PPRC with the District Superintendent. The DS and Bishop's Council will meet <sup>on</sup> Easter Sunday and decide who will come to our church. They will notify Gail Cain, our PPRC chairperson.

Finance Committee report - Norm Gehm said they had not met. Jeff asked them to set a date and time for a meeting soon and to contact all of their members.

Trustee report - Rusty Sides was not present to give this. Jeff said the new tenant in the rental house seemed to be very nice and he had invited them to church.

Men's Club report - Paul Branch said they did not meet in Dec. They had their Christmas party Dec. 19 at Sheff's in Pembroke. They took their wives.

Women's Club report- Doris Miller reported they would not have the bake sale this year.

Worship Committee report - Barbara Gehm said they did not meet in Dec. The Christmas music was very good. Carolyn and the choir did a very good job. The Christmas Eve service was good and was well attended.

Missions Committee report - Mary Bach stated they would continue visiting Dunn Dee. They would like to have someone to visit once a week. Jerry Kendall made badges for the people that visit will wear. It has the name of the church on it. Mary said the pancake supper will be Feb. 8. the offering taken up on Jan. 9 will be for the victims of Tsunami - \$950.00.

Nature report- Doris said we had no deaths.

Education report - Kay Knight said the average attendance for Jan. was 60 and the offering was \$102.30. This offering was only for 3 weeks because of the ice we had. Norm Gehm and Jeff Evans will teach the Adult Sunday School Class.

Family Ministries report- no report.

Best Years Club - no report.

UMYF report - no report.

Evangelism Committee report - Dianne Stanton said they met Jan. 6. They will go every third Sat. to Dunn Dee. They are working on the music for the BarBQue.

Lay Leader report - no report.

Archives - no report.

Pastor Tom's remarks - We need the 2005 schedules from all committee activities as soon as possible. He wants to have another Blood Drive maybe in May. The Job Function workshop for the Marion District is on Jan. 23 at Dillon First United Methodist Church from 3:00 until 5:30 PM. The committees should be in attendance. The new custodian is Marie Sanchez. She started Jan 1 and will be on a 90 day trial. Our next meeting is Feb. 21.

Glen Cowan discussed having cottage prayer meetings once a month to pray for a new pastor. The first meeting will be at his house. He made this motion and it was seconded by Mary Bach. It passed.

Jeff made the motion to close. Pastor Tom lead the group in prayer.

Respectfully,  
Marjorie Pittman

Members in attendance Jan. 2005 council meeting:

Kay Knight

Mary Bach

Evelyn Smith

Dianne Stanton

Doris Miller

Barbara Gehm

Marjorie Pittman

Glen Cowan

Norm Gehm

Paul Brach

Jeff Evans

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING  
CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

February 21, 2005

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order and Paul Branch opened with prayer. Eight members, Rev. Williams, and one guest were present. Dianne Stanton gave the devotional titled "No Regrets".

Rev. Williams had asked Carolyn English to come speak to the council about moving the piano. She said it was in a bad spot for the sound to be good and we could possibly just turn the piano around. If we move it we have to have it tuned. Some of the keys tuck in the very cold weather we had. The only other place to put it is on the floor at the front of the sanctuary but the floor is slanted there. A platform would have to be built. Some pews would have to be moved. Rev. Williams said he would pay up to \$500 on moving and tuning it. He suggested Paul Branch and Howard Pittman be put on a committee to research this. Dianne Stanton made the motion to form a committee to research this project. Doris Miller seconded. It passed. Paul Branch, Howard Pittman, Carolyn English, and R.L. Rogers were put on this committee by Council Chairman. Paul Branch will chair this committee and they will do this research as soon as possible.

Everyone received a copy of the minutes from the last meeting. There was a correction on the DS meeting with the Bishop's Council to decide our new minister by Easter Sunday. We do not know when that will be. Barbara Gehm made the motion to accept the minutes. Doris Miller seconded and it passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasurer's report. The money from the rental house went to the General Fund to help pay for the house. Does it need to go to the Building Fund now? Antioch is now sending \$130 for their part of the parsonage rent. It goes to the General Fund. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to leave rental house money in General Fund. Barbara Gehm seconded.

Gail Cain is now the PPRC Chairman for our church. Rocky Brown asked to invite the DS and the new minister to our BarBQue in April. Tom said the new minister could not come to meet with us then. The paperwork for our new minister for the DS has been done.

Finance Chairman Norm Gehm was not here but Jeff Evans gave a report on the new budget. Changes made were: 1.) Pianist salary needs approving, 2.) Custodian is to get a 2% increase after a 90 day trial period, 3.) Music Funds were increased so they could hire a baby sitter, 4.) Youth Ministry Funds were increased. Barbara Gehm made the motion to accept the new budget changes. Gail Cain seconded this and it passed.

Rust Sides was absent so no Trustees report was given. They need to meet to get a new chairman.

Paul Branch gave the Men's Club report. At their last meeting they had about eighteen present and Brett Singleton spoke. They talked about the BarBQue. They have several groups already lined up to sing. Mark Daniels will donate the ice cream. Piggly Wiggly will donate the cabbage for the slaw. Mark Avant at Pepsi will probably donate the Pepsi. Haines Cain and Rocky Brown will cook for their next meeting. A pin will be made for our church members to wear during the BarB Que. Food will be served from 11 to 3. The groups will use the Greene's equipment. Dianne Stanton said the Friends In Christ circle will have a team for Relay For Life. Terry Cowan will be in charge of it.

Doris Miller said the other circle met and there were very few at the meeting.

Barbara Gehm said the Worship Committee met Jan. 19 and went over special dates. Singspiration at the end of Jan., Food Pantry the first of each month, Fill A Pew Sunday idea. They will meet again on Wednesday.

Missions report - Mary was absent.

Doris Miller gave a report on the Nuture Committee. Sylvia Gause had passed away . She said she needed meats for the meals. it was suggested that she make an announcement in church for anyone wishing to help pay for the meats make a contribution and put it in the collection plate. It needs to go through the church. Doris is now in charge of the prayer chain.

Betty Evans gave out the 2005 schedule for the Best Years Club. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to approve it and this was seconded by Barbara Gehm. It passed. There will be a Fish Fry on March 4 and a trip to Lancaster, Pa. September 21- 24. At the last dinner we had about 94 present.

Jeff said the MYF was to leave Friday at 3:00 to go to the Winter Jam in Columbia.

Dianne Stanton gave the Evangelism report. They have been working on the music for the BarBQue. They visit Dundee every 3rd Sat. of the month at 2:30 P.M. They have been asked to supply refreshments for the Lay Leader School.

The Archives report was given by Marjorie Pittman. They are in the process of getting the cards made so they can finish the library.

Marjorie asked about Salkehatchie. Extra BarBQue will be made to feed them. Applications are on the bulletin board.

Doris Miller said we could get the Easter lilies from BiLo but we would have to get 48 and they would be about \$6. She had a deadline of Feb. 26 to order these. Tom and Jeff will both check on this.

Rev. Williams report: 1.) Pulpit exchange was good. Stephen <sup>Love</sup> Lane was the minister here.



- 2.) Lay Speaker's School will be held at our church Feb. 27 and March 6. We will serve refreshments.
- 3.) The Bishop's Bash - March 19 in Columbia. Confirmation students will go.)
- 4.) We need a new answering machine or someone needs to check the old one out.
- 5.) Laity - meet Bishop Taylor at Marion First Church at 3:00 March 13
- 6.) Upcoming Services : Palm Sunday - March 20 - need to get palms. Barbara check on this.  
Maundy Thursday - March 24  
Easter Sunday Service- at First Church  
March 27 - Tom will speak. He wants us to have it next year and do refreshments.  
And their minister will speak.

Next Pastor Prayer meeting will be at the Pittman's on Thursday.  
Our next Council meeting will be March 14.  
Paul made the motion to adjourn. Tom closed with prayer.

Respectfully,



Betty Evans

## **CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 14, 2005**

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order and Norm Gehm opened with prayer. Seven members and the pastor were present.

Minutes of the last meeting were passed out. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept the minutes as written and Norm Gehm seconded this. One correction was the name Steven Love was the visiting pastor instead of Stephen Lane. The minutes passed.

Paul Branch gave the piano report. He said Pastor Tom had met with the man from Hodges Piano about moving the piano to the other side of the church and moving the choir to the opposite side. The piano committee is in agreement to do this if the council approves. It will cost \$375.00 to take it apart and move it. It will probably need to be tuned. Carolyn English would like to be out here, if possible, when they come to move it. Paul Branch made the motion to move the piano to the other side of the sanctuary. Glenn Cowan seconded this and it passed. Tom will call Hodges Piano to do this.

Paul Branch gave the Treasurer's report. We had \$830 bills left to pay at the end of February but they are now paid. Marie Sanchez, our new maid, would like a dust buster to get around the pews. Paul donated one to the church. No apportionment's have been paid this year so far. We need to think about how we will catch up with this. \$2638 needs to be paid weekly to pay our budget. Paul wants to put his report in the newsletter each month. Norm Gehm will write something for the newsletter about how we got in the hole at the beginning of this year. Barbara Gehm made the motion to accept the report and it was seconded by Marjorie Pittman. It passed.

Pastor Tom met with the Bishop today. he was told the target date to tell him and the PPRC who our new minister would be is the first week of April. Cottage prayer for the new pastor will be at Betty and Jeff Evans' house.

The Finance Committee has not met.

The Trustees report was given by Tom. Brett Singleton is the new Chairman. Jeff said water shed on top of church has rotten boards and something needs to be done about that soon. Tom wants the Trustees to have a meeting soon and have Jeff and Paul walk through the church with them.

The Men's Club met but Paul was not able to attend. Jeff said the BarBQue committee met. Dianne Stanton the final list of performers and the order they would perform. Rocky Brown sent letters to Mr. Avant requesting drinks, cups and ice and to BiLo for the pork and beans to be donated for the BarBQue. The Best Years Club will give out cookies. Barbara Gehm will conduct a bake sale the Saturday before Easter to help raise money. Willie Woods is checking on borrowing the stage from Clio. Johnnie Collins has scheduled a cleanup day for this Sat. (19th). A basketball goal was donated by Bret Singleton. Paul said the insurance company said it had to be anchored down for safety.

The Worship-Ministry report was given by Barbara Gehm. They had met and discussed the special services leading up to Easter. Palm branches have been ordered. We need to announce Sunday to be sure to bring flowers Easter Sunday to put on the cross as we enter the church.

Norm Gehm said he had called the Food Pantry but can't get anyone on the phone so he can take the food we collected. So he put it all in our food pantry at the church and it had been used several times this week.

No one was present to give the Missions report. We took the monthly offering Sunday.

Marjorie Pittman gave the Missions report. The church took food for the Robert Collins family this month.

No one was here to give the Education report.

No one was here to give the Family Ministries report.

Betty Evans said the Best Years club held a Fish Fry and cleared about \$1800. A trip to the Amish country is scheduled for Sept. 21-24 and we donated \$50 to the church's Easter Egg Hunt.

Tom read the UMYF report that Bret Singleton gave him. They went to the Winter Jam concert and then had the lock-in. Teri and Glenn Cowan cooked breakfast for them. Johnnie Collins helped with the group. They purchased a basketball goal and two balls. They put 300 pounds of sand in the bottom of the goal.

Evangelism Committee- Dianne was not here but the group is working on the BarBQue and they are going to Dundee every month.

Norm Gehm had no report for the Lay Leader.

Jerry Kendall was absent - no Historian report.

Marjorie Pittman said there was no report for the Archives.

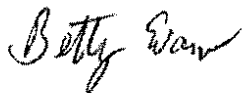
Pastor Tom said the Lay Leader training was very successful. Approximately 60 attended. He will be going to the Bishop Bash on March 19 in Columbia and then will tour Epworth. The cost is \$6 per person and Lamar Freeman will drive the bus. He wants someone to check the answering machine. It is still not working correctly. Norm said he would check the machine. Special upcoming services were listed again. Three families will join our church Sunday: The mark Stubbs Family, Gaylan Floyd will join and be baptized, and Mitchell Watson.

Glenn Cowan said Bible School would be the third week in June and the theme is a cowboy theme. Jeff said he would like Teri to start announcing that in church and also that we need helpers. Glenn also said the tape player in the sanctuary is not working properly.

Our next meeting will be April 11.

We adjourned.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

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Members present: Paul Branch, Jeff Evans, Barbara Gehm, Betty Evans, Norm Gehm, Glenn Cowan, and Marjorie Pittman

**Council Meeting**  
**Christ United Methodist Church**  
**April 11, 2005**

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. There were nine members, <sup>three</sup>~~two~~ guests, and Rev. Williams present. Norm Gehm said a prayer.

Paul Branch gave the Treasurer's report. We owe \$445 for last month bills. We have paid some on the apportionment's. \$20 is in special missions. We need to know what that is designated for. If it is not designated we need to put that in Missions. Betty Evans made the motion to accept this report. Norm Gehm seconded. It passed.

Paul Branch gave the Men's Club report. They met on the 25th with 17 present. Naida Singleton sang. They will feed Salkehatchie probably the first night they come. Paul will get in touch with them.. Rev. Williams said there will not be a city wide revival. Men will meet a week early this month.

Rev. Williams gave his report. Bonnie Freeman want s to give up the job of writing the newsletter. She has agreed to stay until end of July. Trustees met. there are termites in the sanctuary. Seales Pest Control gave a bid for the new section of the church - \$2,000. Jim Hutchins- Trustee- said they wanted to accept this bid from Seales. He also said there were facial boards on the new sanctaury that need replacing. He had brought the carpenter out that works for him. Jim thought we wanted this fixed before the BarBQue. Jeff said we need the Trustees to get 2 or 3 bids on this job before we decide anything. Rocky Brown made the motion for the Trustees to get more than one bid for repairs on the woodwork and painting of the exterior of the church. Norm Gehm seconded. Passed. The pest control problem was discussed. Doris Miller made the motion for the Trustees to get more bids on this job and bring them to the Council. Seconded by Norm Gehm. Passed.

Everyone received a copy of last month's minutes. Corrections: Page 2 - should say -Dianne Stanton gave and Dianne Stanton and Jerry Kendall are finalizing the order of activities, bulletins, and flyers for the BarBQue. Jeff asked Rocky Brown to call Mr. Avant about the drinks for the BarBQue. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept the minutes. Glen Cowan seconded. Passed.

Gail Cain said our new pastor has been selected. After April 18 they will be told who the new pastor is and when they can meet them before announcing who it is. The parsonage will have to have some cleaning done before the new minister comes. Tom said some of their things will be moved soon. She needs to get with Bret and go through the parsonage. Jeff will meet with Barbara Gehm and Gail Cain Wednesday at 6:00 PM to discuss the old and new preacher receptions. Jeff also said we always move our preacher. Jim Hutchins has a trailer and Jeff Evans does also. Gail needs to get the information to the Men's Club so they can plan the move. They also need to discuss how much furniture they have or will we need to get some.

Norm Gehm said the Finance Committee had not met. They need to get Tom to talk about raising money for the church.

Jeff gave the BarBQue report. We are using the Clio stage. We have to help Clio set it up for the Cotton Festival.

We need 6 men to get it. Rocky will announce this in church Sunday. Rocky wants to get a letter to post at the businesses instead of a certain number of invitations. He has sent a letter to Mr. Avant asking for drinks, cup, , and ice. he has not heard from them. Bi-Lo will donate the baked beans. Jerry Kendall has the flyers printed. they have about \$3800 collected for the BarBQue. This is about \$2000 short. They want our prayers and commitment. Jim Hutchins suggested they give specific directions to each group in the church.

Doris Miller- Nuture- We had one funeral this month and the family ate at the church.

Doris Miller - Women' Club - They are supporting the Relay for Life. They are sponsoring 17 from our church. Their money is short.

Mary Bach gave the Missions report. Their visitation schedule has worked. Missions has it this coming month. They gave \$300 to Paul for Missions and \$100 was sent to Dr. Cain's sister who is a missionary. They also gave some to the BarBQue. They now have 9 members.

Kay Knight gave the Education report. We had an average attendance of 5.7 and offering of \$195.55 for March. Friends in Christ Circle have the new recipe books available.

Betty Evans had no report for the Best Years Club.

MYF \_ met Wed. No report.

Dianne Stanton - Evangelism - They will decorate the stage for the BarBQue with flags and the Pepsi people will donate signs to write on.

Mildred Perkins talked about 3'x6' banners for the sanctuary. They will cost about \$200 each. We have six panels that need banners. She would like to start a program where people could buy a banner in honor or memory of someone. Norm Gehm made the motion to start this program. Mary Bach seconded this. Passed.

Norm Gehm made the motion to adjourn. Glen Cowan closed with prayer.

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Members Present:

Mary Bach  
Jeff Evans  
Evelyn Smith  
Doris Miller  
Betty Evans  
Kay Knight  
~~Ruby Brown~~?  
Glen Cowan  
Norma Perkins  
Doris Cain

Guests:

Jim Hitchins  
Mildred Perkins  
Ruby Brown

**Church Council Meeting**  
**Christ United Methodist Church**  
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Jeff Evans opened the meeting with prayer by Rocky Brown. Ten members and Rev. Williams were present.

Rev. Williams gave his report. He felt the BarBQue had been very successful and was proud of the way the people all worked together. The custodian needs a new vacuum. Bobbie Sue Latham will give the church one. Rev. Williams will call to tell her when to bring it. Mrs. Truesdale with the American Red Cross would like to hold another blood drive at our church. Mike Skipper, the coordinator, lives here in town. Tom wants to encourage us to do that. He said the sign will be changed tomorrow. He said we need to get someone to be in charge of it. He wants the Vacation Bible School dates to be put on it. (June 19 - 23, 6-8:30 PM)

Minutes from the last meeting were given out and read. Two corrections were made for the spelling of Avent. Rocky Brown moved to accept them and this was seconded by Norm Gehm. Passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasurer's report. A little over 30% of the apportionments have been paid. The Bus Fund may be paid back this month. Progress Energy Outreach was a need we helped. Circuit City warranty on the computer monitor and printer for 3 years is \$219.99. Insurance payment of \$779.50 was an installment on all our insurance. The bus was bought in June 2004. We need to get a form from the Auditor's Office for a tax exemption. Paul will check on this. Norm made the motion to accept this report. Rocky Brown accepted. Passed.

Gail Cain, PPRC Chairman, gave her report. Our new pastor will be Rev. Dora Gafford. She will move June 15. How she will be moved is still in question. She has a baby grand piano. She loves to have Bible study. She wants a list of shut-ins and people that have lost loved ones in the last six months. Gail has told Tom that we will help him move. She would like to do a meal the day they move.

Norm Gehm, Finance chairman, said they had not met. Jeff said they need to meet because the Trustees will have some issues for them to discuss.

Dr. Haynes Cain, Chairman of Trustees, said the Sanctuary need work. He has talked to David Graham about pressure washing the church, replacing facial boards,



and painting the trim, He has received a bid from Tim Branch to pressure wash the church for \$600.00. Chino Pruitt pressure washes then paints. Norm will have him get up with Dr. Cain. Ricky Jacobs and Allan Caulder are good contractors they can call. Paul Branch took care of fixing the bathtub in the rental house. Bobbie Sue Latham will have her man come give an estimate on repairing the parsonage. what are we doing with the parsonage if they are not going to stay in it? Haynes says it needs to be on a short term lease if we rent it. Haynes Cain and Paul Branch, Jr. are the new co-chairmen of Trustees. Glenn Cowan suggested a new type of bulb for the exit lights and he has members who will buy them. Glenn will install them. Glenn also said the fire extinguishers had not been inspected since 2001. BFPE will inspect them for \$5 each and the hood for \$65 + \$7.50 every link. Glenn made the motion to bring the fire extinguishers up to code. It will cost about \$100 per year. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed.

Paul Branch gave the Men's Club report. Twenty-one were present at the last meeting. Fred Knight spoke. They made the final plans for the BarBQue. On July 2, they will feed Salkehatchie. (BarBQue sandwich, slaw, chips, ice cream).

There was no Women's Club report.

Barbara Gehm gave the Worship Committee report. There will be a drop-in house warming shower for Tom and Margie on May 22 from 3-4:30. A donation of \$250 will be given to Epworth Children's Home in honor of Tom and a plaque will be presented on his last Sunday here. Gail Cain will present this to him from the congregation. Rocky Brown suggested letting the children help with this. All of his children will be invited to the reception. Glenn Cowan suggested asking Terri Cowan to organize the children to sing something and have Gail Cain do the presentation. Barbara Gehm made the motion to send the \$250 donation to Epworth in hi honor. Rocky Brown seconded this. Passed. Rocky will do a certificate about this donation. Antioch is invited on May 22. Norm Gehm will tell the congregation about the reception Sunday while we keep the preacher in the foyer. We will have fifth Sunday sing but not he covered dish at this time. We will have the covered dish at the end of Bible School and for the new preacher on June 26.

Betty Evans gave the Best Years Club report. There will be a yard sale June 4. We had the Mother's Father's Day supper this past Saturday with about 90 present. She thanked the Men's Club for the BarBQue.

Jeff Evans brought up the fact that we need a group for the people 55 and below. We need someone to chair this.

MYF report. Glenn Cowan said they will have a hot dog- car wash on May 21. Jeff brought up the fact that at present we only have 2 bus drivers and that we need more.

Marjorie Pittman had no report for he library.

Norm Gehm, Lay Leader, said Bonnie Freeman wants to give up writing the newsletter at the end of July. Jeff said he talked to Mark Stubbs about Ann doing this. He will talk to Tom about this. Barbara Gehm made the motion that Norm Gehm be in charge of changing the signs outside. Betty Evans seconded this. Passed.

Jeff Evans talked about the banner program for the sanctuary. We will need six. We need to announce this to the congregation. If they want to put one up in honor or memory of someone, they need to let Mildred Perkins know. We will have a ceremony to present all six at one time. Jeff will have Mildred Perkins to announce this Sunday in Church.

Glenn Cowan said Vacation Bible School is June 19 and it will be a cowboy theme. There will be a team to represent our church at the relay for life Friday night.

Norm Gehm made the motion to adjourn. Glen Cowan closed with prayer.

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Members present: Jeff Evans, Barbara Gehm, Norm Gehm, Rocky Brown, Betty Evans, Paul Branch, Marjorie Pittman, Glenn Cowan, Gail Cain, Haynes Cain, and Rev. Tom Williams

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
June 13,2005

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Glen Cowan prayed. Fourteen were present. (12 members, Preacher Tom, and one guest.) Jeff thanked the Worship Committee and PPRC for a job well done for yesterday's church service. (especially Barbara Gehm and Gail Cain) Preacher Tom also wanted thank Terri Cowan for helping the children with their part in that service. Jeff said he had three requests for our church: (1.) Bennettsville Primary School wants donations for materials and labor to build an outdoor classroom - Jeff read a letter from them, (2.) Bulldog football team wants us to sponsor 2 players to the Fellowship Christian Football Camp in Conway. The cost is \$90 per player. This price includes \$15 for a Bible. Jeff read this letter from Dean Boyd, (3.) Fundraiser for Church to sale jewelry-called a Blood Drive for Jesus - any group in the church could do this. It was from a couple in Florence. Norm Gehm made the motion to sponsor two football players to camp. Doris Miller seconded this and it was passed. \$180 will be sent to Marlboro County High School.

Dianne Stanton gave a devotional titled "Best Things In Life Aren't Things."

Betty Evans gave out last months minutes. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept the minutes as written. Barbara Gehm seconded. They were accepted. Paul said we need to check with Gene Moore about the exemption for our bus taxes when the tag notice comes. Jeff asked Mary Bach to talk to the new minister about the Red Cross coming back to our church for a blood drive. Mildred Perkins is working on the Banner Program. She has received material from Cokesbury where we can design our own but they are much more expensive. Five people or groups have already said they would get banners. We need at least six to start with.

Treasurer's report - Paul Branch. This next month we will have two months rent deposited because of a late deposit. Bobbi Sue Latham donated a vacuum but we needed to still have two of ours repaired. The Bus Fund has been repaid. No apportionments were paid this month. The General Conference has changed the billing of the insurance. Our pastor's part will be a direct bill and the administrative part will be put in the apportionments.

Betty Evans made the motion to accept the report. Mary Bach seconded. Passed. Paul Branch said he had a bill for the service agreement on the copier for \$521.50 per year. He made the motion to accept this agreement. Haynes Cain seconded this. Passed.

PPRC - Gail Cain said they would be leaving at 7:30 Wednesday morning to move the new minister. The women will have lunch at our church for them. Gail has bought a potted plant to present her. Norm will do this Wednesday night service and he will fix the outside sign. We are to call Tom when we are through with his name plates off the outside sign and he will come get them. We still have to decide what we are going to do with the parsonage. First repairs must be done. The Trustees and the Finance Committees need to give suggestions about this at the next meeting. Kevin Long said First Methodist is not doing anything Wednesday for the new ministers. Our leftovers will be given to them for their supper.

Trustees - Haynes Cain - have not met. Jeff said he talked to someone about the church roof. Facial boards have rotted. Haynes said he had talked to Tim Seales about spraying the church for termites. He needs the blue prints before he can give an estimate. He would be pulling up the carpet and drilling so he could pump termite poison. The competition would be putting the repellent outside the church. Tom said the carpet in the secretary's office needs cleaning.

Norm Gehm said the Finance Committee has not met because the Trustees have not met. We will probably need about \$10,000 to do the roof, repair the outside of the church, termite treatment, and repair the parsonage. We may be able to wait a little longer on the air conditioner. Jeff asked them to meet before the next council meeting.

Paul Branch gave the Men's Club report. At their last meeting they had 13 present and Howard Pittman gave a report on his trip to Washington. At their next meeting they will finalize their plans on Salkehatchie. They would appreciate any help from the ladies to help with this meal on July 2, 2005. They still have BarBQue for sale.

Doris Miller gave the Women's report and said there would be no more meetings this summer.

Barbara Gehm did not have a report for the Worship Committee but they will meet soon to see if the new minister has any plans for anything.

Mary Bach gave the Missions report. They had met Wednesday with 11 present. They decided to give \$100 to an 11 year old who has cancer. They gave the money to Marlboro Drug for his medicine. His mother has been in the hospital with a heart attack this year, also. They gave \$100 to the New Hope Ranch for girls. They have one new member, Shirley Davis. They will buy one of the banners for \$200. The Mission Committee asked the Council which missionaries they needed to continue to support. Tom said the Van Horns and McLearys met the methodology and the Von De Ricos were on the Mission Security list. The Von De Ricos are no longer associated with that group. The Committee can continue with all of these or none of these. The Committee wants to help Curt and Edna Elliott (Dr. Cain's sister). Norm made the motion to accept another missionary besides the Von De Ricos. Seconded by Evelyn Smith. Passed. The church will continue to support the McLearys and Can Horns.

Doris Miller said no one has needed the services of the Nuture Committee.

Jeff will call Joye to find out who is taking over the teen age class.

Janet McDonald had no report.

Best Years Club report was given by Betty Evans. They raised \$850 at the yard sale. Thanks to everyone that helped.

Jeff Evans said the MYF has raised \$200 at their car wash. They had a pool party at Glen Cowan's last Wednesday. Some of those MYF boys will be helping to move the new minister.

Dianne Stanton gave the Evangelism report. They would like for the prayer room to be used more. They would like to help let everyone know about it. Tom suggested they meet with Mrs. Ella Barnhart and Rev. Gafford. Jeff suggested they invite Mrs. Barnhart to join their committee. Dianne said they were considering doing the "Blood Drop". (jewelry)

Norm Gehm did not have a Lay Leader report but he did ask about where we need to hang the small mission statement and the Relay For Life plaques.

It was decided to hang them in the fellowship hall. Glen Cowan will hang these. He also said no flag was on the pole. The rope is broken. The light at the pole is also not working. Betty Evans said two outside windows are broken in the door at the prayer room. Paul Branch said he would fix this.

Marjorie Pittman said Tom has given a box of books to the library.

Barbara Gehm said we need someone to take flowers to our church family when they are sick or in the hospital or in case of death. Mr. Leroy Perkins is resigning from that job. Doris Miller said she would do this. We send flowers to members, people who come most of the time and are not members, and for deaths of members' immediate family. Mr. Leroy wants the worship music to be played before church starts. Dianne Stanton said she would leave a CD out or put out a sticky note as a reminder. Mildred Perkins suggested whoever is making the announcements should repeat any announcements that are made from the congregation. Norm Gehm said he would be in charge of telling the announcers this.

Jeff Evans said he wanted to thank Ann Stubbs for taking over the Informer. We still do not have anyone to work with the young adult group yet.

Dianne Stanton said the Praise and Worship team needs to raise money for a transpose for their music. They have talked about a variety show but they will bring their decision back to the council before they do anything.

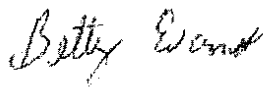
Tom said someone needs to see about the mail pickup. The church's mail is usually delivered around 3:00 week days and earlier on Sat. The telephone and electricity bills are in Paul Branch's name but are delivered to the parsonage. We will need to let him know how much he owes. We need to ask the new pastor how people can contact her. The carpet needs cleaning in the parsonage. They cleaned it when they moved. He said he would clean it after we do the work on the parsonage if we want him to. He thanked everyone for working so well with him. He suggested we have a PR person added to the council so they would be at all the meetings. This would have to go through the Nominations Committee. He will try to be out of the parsonage by noon Wed. but wants to know if he has permission to do last minute things there for a day or two later.

Marjorie Pittman made the motion to purchase a PO box. We will have a

change of address. Norm seconded this. Passed.

We closed with prayer by Pastor Tom.

Respectfully,

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## CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH COUNCIL

July 12, 2005

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Barbara Gehm said the Worship Committee will meet Wednesday night.

Mary Bach said the Missions Committee met with 10 present. Rev. Dora Will help line up a missionary replacement.

Janet McDonald gave the Family Ministry report. We gave a farewell reception with Antioch for Pastor Tom. We had a covered dish supper to welcome Pastor Dora in June. They are thinking about canceling the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday luncheon. The next 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday is in October when the Youth do the lunch for donations. She will check on this.

Betty Evans said the Best Years Club had an ice cream and hot dog social last Saturday night.

The MYF met at Glen and Teri Cowan's Sat. They will go to Santee on August 4 & 5.

Dianne Stanton said the Evangelism Committee will meet Thursday. Mrs. Ella Barnhardt has joined this group.

Norm Gehm, Lay Leader, had no report.

Jerry Kendall, Historian, had no report.

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Rev. Dora said our next meeting is August 8. She said our Day of Dreaming will be on a Saturday in the early fall for everyone in the church. A date will be set as soon as she knows when Charge Conference is. She will get the form for the Men's Club to be chartered. The Men's Club agreed to pay for this. At the Worship meeting Wednesday, she plans to discuss issues like 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, frequency of communion and any changes in the services. She has been visiting at Dundee and the shut ins. There will be an ice cream social at the First Church on July 24.

Norm said the deep freeze is unplugged because there is nothing in it. Leroy Perkins asked about having a promotion Sunday again. September used to be when we did this. Jeff said he would ask Kay and Joye to have a meeting. Dora said she could coordinate SS Promotion Sunday to be the last Sunday in August. Dora dismissed us with prayer.

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Doris Miller gave the Nurture report. We have not needed flowers or food this month.

Barbara Gehm said the Worship Committee will meet Wednesday night.

Mary Bach said the Missions Committee met with 10 present. Rev. Dora Will help line up a missionary replacement.

Janet McDonald gave the Family Ministry report. We gave a farewell reception with Antioch for Pastor Tom. We had a covered dish supper to welcome Pastor Dora in June. They are thinking about canceling the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday luncheon. The next 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday is in October when the Youth do the lunch for donations. She will check on this.

Betty Evans said the Best Years Club had an ice cream and hot dog social last Saturday night.

The MYF met at Glen and Teri Cowan's Sat. They will go to Santee on August 4 & 5.

Dianne Stanton said the Evangelism Committee will meet Thursday. Mrs. Ella Barnhardt has joined this group.

Norm Gehm, Lay Leader, had no report.

Jerry Kendall, Historian, had no report.

Marjorie Pittman, Archives, had no report.

Rev. Dora said our next meeting is August 8. She said our Day of Dreaming will be on a Saturday in the early fall for everyone in the church. A date will be set as soon as she knows when Charge Conference is. She will get the form for the Men's Club to be chartered. The Men's Club agreed to pay \_\_\_\_\_ for this. At the Worship meeting Wednesday, she plans to discuss issues like 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, frequency of communion and any changes in the services. She has been visiting at Dundee and the shut ins. There will be an ice cream social at the First Church on July 24.

Norm said the deep freeze is unplugged because there is nothing in it. Leroy Perkins asked about having a promotion Sunday again. September used to be when we did this. Jeff said he would ask Kay and Joye to have a meeting. Dora said she could coordinate SS Promotion Sunday to be the last Sunday in August. Dora dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

*Betty Evans*

Betty Evans

Those present: Doris Miller  
Dianne Stanton  
Jerry Kendall  
Paul Branch, Sr.  
Janet McDonald  
Evelyn Smith  
Jeff Evans  
Betty Evans  
Norm Gehm  
Barbara Gehm  
Marjorie Pittman  
Mary Bach

Guest: Leroy Perkins

Pastor Dora Gafford

**Emergency Council Meeting  
Christ United Methodist Church  
Sept. 4, 2005**

Thirteen members, two guests, and Rev. Gafford were present.

We have \$300 to hold parsonage for renters until Sept. 20.

We discussed using our rental house to house someone from the hurricane disaster in the New Orleans area. If we can not get out of our agreement with the person who has asked to rent that house, we will rent an apartment for that disaster family. Victims will be in our state this week. We want to "adopt a family". Antioch wants to help with this. Glen Cowan made the motion that our church "adopt a family" for one year. Dianne Stanton seconded this. It passed. Rev. Dora will tell the congregation Sunday. She will contact the DS and try to get a family. She will be on vacation from this afternoon until Tuesday.

Rev. Dora closed in prayer.

Respectfully,



Betty Evans

Those present: Doris Miller  
Haynes Cain  
Gail Cain  
Jeff Evans  
Betty Evans  
Barbara Gehm  
Norm Gehm  
Glen Cowan  
Dianne Stanton  
Paul Branch  
Evelyn Smith  
Jerry Kendall  
Rocky Brown  
Rev. Dora Gafford

Guests: Leroy Perkins  
Richard Bach



**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING  
CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
AUGUST 8, 2005**

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Thirteen members, one guest and the pastor were present. Norm Gehm prayed. Dianne Stanton gave a devotion titled "It Starts With You."

Jeff made the comment that he is interested in getting the Power Point project going.

Minutes of the last meeting were passed out by Betty Evans. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept as written. Seconded by Barbara Gehm. Passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasurer's report. Pension and health plan not in apportionments any more. \$175 was for Dora's insurance and this comes out of her salary. Starting with the new apportionments, maybe as soon as Jan. 2006, we should only be paying for our pastor. No rental check last month. Paul suggested leaving payments for things like Emmaus, Salkehatchie, etc. like they are until they can be discussed for the new budget. Glen Cowan made the motion to accept the report. Seconded by Gail Cain. Passed.

Gail Cain gave the PPRC report. She would like to have another meeting with Dora. They need to replace a Charge PPRC member who is not attending our church now. The Nominating Committee needs to get someone for this. They <sup>may</sup> made just be able to appoint someone for this. Pastor Dora will check on this. They have a tentative meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 6 at 6:00.

Finance report - Norm Gehm. They have not met and he and Pastor Dora have not written the letter to the congregation about the funds for the church repairs. At the last meeting, Jerry Kendall had suggested taking the rental money of \$650 and put it into the maintenance for the upkeep of the church and parsonage. Paul said if it is already set aside it doesn't have to come out of the General Fund. He also said the increase we have had in attendance should bring in more money. Jerry Kendal made this into a motion: The \$650 from the rental house be put into a Maintenance Fund. Mary Bach

seconded this. Passed. Paul will take care of that.

Gail Cain gave Dr. Cain's Trustee report. As far as the repairs on the church- Allen Caulder will not do the painting but can do the other work. Monroe Carter is doing work on the Presbyterian church and he will try to talk to him. Tim Seales says we have termites in the bathroom. No bid from David Graham. Jeff talked to a crew that was working at Piggly Wiggly. The man in charge is Roger Reed. They are running 5 weeks behind. His bid was for pressure washing the church, repairing facial boards, painting, etc. - total was \$11,803. (\$1560 - materials, \$93 - tax, \$10150 - labor) Jeff had Tex Taylor to look about the termites. They are in the Women's bathroom baseboard and exterior wall baseboard has damage and in one corner of sanctuary. He would not give a bid on the sanctuary only because the termites would simply move to the next closest spot. His bid is with a bait system installed (attached copy) . Will have a 10 year contract Then it will need a chemical booster treatment for \$7268. \$600 per year renewable fee. The problem we had seen in the windows was red ant activity. Trustees are to get a bid for whole church from Tim Seales. As far as the painting repairs, Dr. Cain will meet with Monroe Carter tomorrow and we will have call meeting Sunday after church to decide who to go with. Repairs have been done at parsonage except tub repairs. Men's Club paid for these improvements. We have to decide about the use for the parsonage. Barbara Gehm made the motion to rent the parsonage. Glen Cowan seconded this. Passed. We will lose tax exempt status if we rent it until we return it to a parsonage. Where will the money go? Gail Cain suggested the Building Fund. Trustees need to run an ad in the paper about renting it. Norm Gehm made the motion to charge \$750 per month rent with them cutting the grass. Jerry Kendall seconded this. Passed. What to do with the furniture in the parsonage? Norm Gehm mad the motion to store it. Glen Cowan seconded. Passed. Dr. Cain is to check on storage building for this furniture after the house is rented. We have been given five bedroom suits to be given away to needed people. How to handle this? Betty Evans made the motion to give one to the man with cancer that Jimmy Long requested get one. Doris Miller seconded. Passed. Jerry Kendal made the motion that Cody Stanton be given one of these suits. Glen Cowan seconded. Passed. Barbara Gehm will check with Social Services and Marjorie Pittman will check with Hospice. They will notify Dr. Cain if they find any one in need.

Norm Gehm made the motion that Paul Branch secure a line of credit for

our church for \$25,000.00 so we can get the repairs done. Gail Cain seconded this. It passed.

Gail Cain and Linda Quick will be the new coordinators of the new Prime Time Club for our church. It will be for married and single people from 18 to 54. They will have a kick off with an ice cream social/ swim party. Gail made the motion that the council allot their group \$500.00 start up funds. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed. Jeff recommended we make a position on the Council for Linda Quick as Prime Time Coordinator. Jerry Kendall made this into a motion. Norm Gehm seconded. Passed.

Paul Branch gave Men's Club report. 27 people were at the last meeting. Doug Newton was the entertainment along with Rembert Rogers and Mitchell Watson.

Doris Miller said there was not Women's report.

Barbara Gehm - Worship. They have streamlined the bulletin. We will have communion every 3 months. Plans are being made for special communion services.

Mary Bach gave the Missions report. They are close to getting the missionary replacement. We will have a blood drive in the fall.

Doris Miller - Nuture - no deaths.

Kay Knight said the average Sunday School attendance was 51 and the collection was \$217.06. Promotion Sunday will be August 28 and they will recognize all teachers. She wanted to know if anyone was interested in teaching. They will be contacting some people soon.

MYF - the kids went to Santee this past weekend.

Dianne Stanton gave the Evangelism report. They met August 4. They will have a social for the shepherds. There will be a membership drive in September. They have asked Rev. Ben Gafford to preach the revival. They are requesting a copy of the friendship registers each week so they visit these people.

Jerry Kendall - Historian- said he will be through updating our register

soon.

Marjorie Pittman said she had cleaned up the library. She still has a few books to do.

Wanda Brigman will start keeping the bulletin boards.

Rev. Dora said the tape ministry will start again through the Evangelism committee. Charge Conference will be Oct. 2 at First Church. Our reports are due by then. We will have lunch after service on August 28 and there will be a planning session afterwards. We will use some of the leftover bar-b-que for sandwiches. She wants all the chairpersons to stay on for another year. This passed. Everyone agreed. We will receive a certificate for paying 100% of our apportionments. We paid \$15,296.00. Ben has agreed to do the revival. She will get with him to decide exactly when it will be. Lay leaders who do the readings in church need to meet. She asked that we get with our committees before August 28 and get their suggestions for next year. Our next meeting is Sept. 12. She would like for us to have our reports done by then so we would not have to have another meeting.

Glen Cowan dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Those present: Dianne Stanton, Doris Miller, Gail Cain, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Barbara Gehm, Norm Gehm, Glen Cowan, Paul Branch. Jerry Kendall, Kay Knight, Marjorie Pittman, Mary Bach. Guest - Leroy Perkins. Rev. Dora Gafford

**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING  
CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
SEPTEMBER 12, 2005**

Jeff called the meeting to order. Eleven members, one guest, and the pastor were present. Norm Gehm prayed.

Betty Evans gave everyone a copy of the minutes from August 8 and the regular meeting of September 4. Norm made the correction of August 6 date wrong for the PPRC. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept the minutes and Doris Miller seconded. It passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasurer's report. He will check on the bill at Carl's Food Store. The receipts and expenses are close this month. Glen made the motion to accept this report. Barbara Gehm seconded this. It passed.

Haynes Cain gave Gail's PPRC report. They recommended Pastor Dora's salary to be raised by 2% and Carolyn English's (pianist) salary to be raised by 1%. No increase was recommended for the custodian. The Finance Committee has not decided anything. Norm said Council needs to decide now. Norm made the motion for Pastor Dora's salary to increase by 2% and Carolyn English's salary to increase by 1%. Dr. Cain amended the motion to raise Carolyn's salary by 2%. Mary Bach seconded this. It passed.

Norm Gehm said the Finance Committee met September 8. They will meet again on September 28 at 6:00.

Paul Branch gave the Men's Club. 15 were in attendance. The speaker could not attend. Jerry Kendal and Richard Bach prepared the meal. They will elect new officers at the next meeting. They have a charter and it will be framed to be put up in the fellowship hall.

Dr. Cain gave the Trustees report. They have not gotten any other bids on the repairs. The only one they have is for \$11,803 from Triple R Construction. Brett Singleton will get another one in the next few days. We have to do something soon. So as soon as the Finance committee has its next meeting they should call Glen and have him call a meeting to do something about the repairs. Tim Seales gave a bid to spray the exterior of the church for termites. 10 year contract - renewable. \$3500.00 initial treatment and \$350.00 yearly after that. Other bid was Tex Taylor. His bid was \$7,268.00 and \$600.00 yearly for 10 years.

This included putting a station to check on the termites. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept Tim Seales bid. Marjorie Pittman seconded. Passed. Dr. Cain is to let Tex Taylor know that we went with someone else. He will also notify Tim Seales. About the rental house, Dr. Cain went over the list of things needed before the family arrives. Power and water are cut off. Brett said the dishwasher needs a new gasket. Doris Miller suggested taking the old one out and putting shelves in its place. Brett will take care of this matter. In all rental contracts we need to state that we will come in to inspect. Dr. Cain has

already bought some of the things to repair the rental house and Trustees will take care of the list of things that need to be done. Parsonage- Rev. Dora has accepted \$300.00 to hold the parsonage until Sept. 20. Parsonage furniture will be moved to the rental house for the hurricane victims to use. The dining room suit will not be put in the rental house but in storage building at the rental house.

Jeff reported on the hurricane victim family - He has registered in Florence, Columbia, and Myrtle Beach for a family. Kim Short from Hamlet (All Saints Episcopal Church) is leaving Friday for Pascagoula, Miss. To take supplies and possibly bring back a family to us. She will be working through St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Mississippi. She will call Jeff or Dora Saturday for us to accept or deny a family. This is in case we have already gotten a family in the meantime. Glen Cowan and the Missions Committee will work all of this out. The men will possibly move furniture Saturday morning.

For evacuees: Food and Clothing - Northview Harvest Ministries

Shoes - B C Moores (get back to him with shoes sizes)

DSS, gov. and local Red Cross - Barbara Gehm will help with this  
\$50 gift certificate renewable every month - Walmart in Cheraw

Megg's Ford - Stubbs- car

Naida Singleton - dental work

Dr. Cain and Gail Cain - medical

Mattress and box springs - Clio Furniture Co.

Mattress and box springs - New Creations (check on this one)

Haynes will call and have the water and electricity turned on. He will see about getting the refrigerator from Pat Moore.

To secure the money for renovations to the church, Paul needed a copy of the minutes, the deed, and the last statement. Dr. Cain needs one Trustee to go with him to Century Bank in Cheraw to get the church loan. We have enough to pay Tom Seales for the termite work.

Power Point System - If we go from the back of the church it will cost about \$10,000.00. If we go from the middle aisle, it is about 39 feet to screen. We would have to attach a stand to the pew to get the projector up high enough to project over our heads. A power chord will have to run from the front of the church but it would be covered. Norm Gehm made the motion to go from the middle of the church. Doris Miller seconded this. Passed. Gift has already been purchased and will be installed soon now that it has been approved.

Doris Miller said the Women's Circle will meet next Monday. On nature - we have had no deaths. We need a new prayer chain list. This will be announced Sunday.

Betty Evans gave the Best Years Club report. They are planning a trip next week to Pennsylvania. The Chicken and Dumpling Dinner is in Oct.

Marjorie Pittman said she hope to finish the library Thursday morning.

Jeff Evans said the new Prime Time Club met yesterday. 14 people were there. About 40 in our church could be in it. They are trying to line up activities for the group.

We borrowed the Clio Cotton Picking festival stage for our BarBQue and we are to help set it up for their festival. Gray Burroughs will head this up. They are to meet at 9:00 Sat. Sept. 24 at Clio Fire Dept.

The Men's Club has paid for hand bells. Lynn Hodges is to head this up. Christmas will be the first time these are to be used.

Brett Singleton gave the MYF report. They are averaging about 21 to 27 members. They need 2 groups now. They are going on a ski trip in Jan. They are planning to do a fund raiser meal on the next 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday.

Jeff told about a new Wednesday night plan for our church that will start soon. We start having a meal at 5:30 and you will need to sign up for it before that Wed. Cost will be \$3.00 up to \$10.00 per family. We will pick the food up in pans and serve it from these. At 6:15 we will go to MYF (2 groups), Pre-school, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades, or Adult Bible study. We will finish by 7:30. This would be done in Sept., Oct., Nov., Jan., Fe., and March. He wants to know how the Council feels about this. You could call in by Mon. if you were not here on Sunday. Norm Gehm made the motion we accept this. Doris Miller seconded this. Passed. Barbara Gehm will help Dora get teachers for this.

Jeff will get with Mildred Perkins about the banner program.

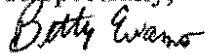
Leroy Perkins said their Sunday School class wants to paint their pews. We gave him the ok.

Mary Bach said the Worship Committee will meet at 6:00 Wednesday. People want a CPR class taught here. Paul said to contact Joy Burroughs. The Missions Committee will see about this.

Bill Stubbs wants to know about the magnolia tree. He would like a Trustee to talk to him. Norm made the motion if he wants to cut it down and remove the debris at no cost to us we would let him. Mary seconded. Passed.

Brett Singleton dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,



Betty Evans

Those in attendance: Glen Cowan, Norm Gehm, Barbara Gehm, Mary Bach, Doris Miller, Marjorie Pittman, Paul Branch, Haynes Cain, Brett Singleton, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Rev. Dora Gafford, and guest- Leroy Perkins.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
~~September~~ 10, 2005  
~~October~~

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Twelve members and one guest were present. Jerry Kendal prayed.

Betty Evans gave out the minutes from the last meeting. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept the minutes as written. Doris Miller seconded. Passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasurer's report. Jeff wanted to know if we are to pay utilities for the rental house. We are and Paul has already received a bill. The rental house (parsonage) rent is going into the Building Fund. Jerry Kendal made the motion to accept this and it was seconded by Glen Cowan. Passed. The Conference Pension and Health was in apportionments before. The General Board of Pension is Dora's pension that comes out of her salary. She pays this.

Paul Branch gave the Finance report for Norm Gehm. They have finalized the budget for 2006. For 2006, the apportionments are \$16,900 higher than this year.

Leroy Perkins and Paul Branch gave the Men's Club report. Johnny Howell spoke at the last meeting. They had between 15 and 18 present. New officers were elected and they are the present ones.

Doris Miller reported on the Ladies. Had very few ladies present. Discussed doing for the shut-ins.

Barbara Gehm said the Worship Committee met in Sept. and did a calendar for the rest of the year. (World Wide Communion, Revival, Advent, Cantata, Homecoming) Dora will streamline the services. Jeff said there will be shorter announcements so chairman are urged to call their committees about meetings and other announcements they need to know.

Pastor Dora's notes - Sept. 12 - Norm Gehm will do service, Sept. 26 - Trunk or Treat and hot dog supper, This will be the kick-off for our Wednesday night services. Barbara will check with Janet McDonald and



Rev. Dora about who will do the food. Sept. 30 - MYF Fundraiser - Spaghetti Dinner- Youth Sunday and Singspiration Sunday- Youth will do service. Dora will not be here.

Dr. Cain gave Gail's report on the Prime Time group. They will go to the dinner theater Friday night. In Nov. there will be a cookout.

There is no PPRC report.

Dr. Cain gave the Trustees report. Triple R will start work on the church in about a month. Tim Seales has been notified to start doing the termite work on the church and Tex Taylor was notified he did not get the bid on the termite work. They have contacted Century Bank about the church loan and the paperwork should be finished in about a week. The parsonage has been rented. No one has talked to Bill Stubbs about the magnolia tree. Someone wants to paint the classroom that has the handprints on the wall at no expense to the church. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to paint the room and Doris seconded it. Passed. Dr. Cain will tell them to go ahead and paint it.

Jerry Kendall said the Missions Committee has taken up about \$800. They have bought supplies and stuff for the hurricane family. They are sending \$100 per month for the United Methodist Missions for one specific one.

Jeff said Pastor Dora would like for us to give 10% of our receipts back on missions. Paul said we probably are already doing that.

Doris Miller gave the Nature report. Evelyn Smith lost her sister but does not want food or anything. Flowers from the church will be given.

Kay Knight - Education - Average attendance in September was 54 and in August it was 51. September offering was \$140.69 and in August it was \$162.21.

Betty Evans said the Best Years Club would not have their chicken and dumpling dinner this year in Oct. There will be a bake sale November 19. On Dec. 1 there is a trip to Carolina Opry (\$50). On Dec. 2 there is a trip to Florence Baptist Temple for their Singing Christmas tree and out to eat (\$2 cost for bus ride). And on Dec. 3 we will have our Christmas party/supper.

Jeff gave the MYF report. We now have so many children that we have two groups. Jan. 6 they will be going on a snow skiing trip. (Fri. - Sun.)

Dianne Stanton said the Shepherd Social scheduled for Nov. 2 will be rescheduled.

Marjorie Pittman said the library books all have cards in them. They are ready to be glued and boxes are here for the cards.

Linda Quick said the Prime Time group has 20 people going to the dinner theater Friday. They will leave at 6:00. The November cookout will be with children.

Dora will call the lady about helping with the banners.

Jeff's report: The light bulb is out on the flag. Glen will fix that. Betty is working on the Power Point and Tammy Collins has agreed to help. There is a small leak in the bus. He wanted to know if he could take it to Buddy Lane to be fixed. Yes. Marjorie Pittman said the Christmas Child boxes are due by the last of November. Jeff got an invitation for our church to go help with the sorting.

Leroy Perkins said we have 4 listening devices and says we need 2 or 3 more. Glen Cowan made the motion to purchase one new microphone and 4 new listening devices. Jerry Kendall seconded. Passed.

Dianne Stanton said someone who does sign language has offered her services. She would like to have that a new ministry here. Dianne will talk to her about this.

Jerry Kendall made the motion to adjourn. Dr. Cain closed with prayer.

Respectfully, *Betty Evans*  
Betty Evans

Those present: Kay Knight, Betty Evans, Doris Miller, Marjorie Pittman, Barbara Gehm, Jerry Kendall, Glen Cowan, Dianne Stanton, Paul Branch, Linda Quick, Dr. Cain, Jeff Evans (Leroy Perkins - guest)

Administrative Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
Called Meeting

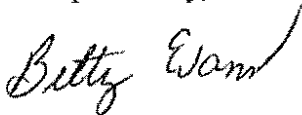
There was an emergency called meeting on Sunday, November 20, 2005 immediately after church. Ten members were present.

The purpose of the meeting was to choose whose names need to be put on the loan which will be obtained for the church to do the repairs on the outside of the church. Norm Gehm made the motion the put Paul Branch (Church Treasurer) and Haynes Cain (Chairman of Trustees) names on the loan. Barbara Gehm seconded this motion and it passed unanimously.

Another subject needed to be discussed was the issue of not having enough money in the Building Fund to pay the contractor until the loan goes through. Norm Gehm made the motion to use money from the General Fund to pay the contractor for the outside work until the loan can go through. Jerry Kendall seconded this. It passed unanimously.

We adjourned.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Respectfully,".

Betty Evans

Members present: Bill Altman, Barbara Gehm, Norman Gehm, Paul Branch, Doris Miller, Mary Bach, Jerry Kendall, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, and Dianne Stanton.

**Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
November 14, 2005**

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Ten members, one guest, and the preacher were present. Norm Gehm prayed and Dianne Stanton gave a devotion titled "On Your Feet In Praise".

Jeff said our church had made large strides this year and we need to continue to move forward.

Betty Evans - minutes of last meeting. Mr. Leroy said Glen had not had a chance to order the new listening devices yet. Dianne is trying to get in touch with the lady who will do sign language for us. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept the minutes. Doris Miller seconded. Passed.

Jeff gave Paul Branch's Treasurer's report. The Pee Dee Heating bill was for the whole summer. We now have one air condition unit not working and some in bad shape. We only have 8 hand bells and we have twelve children. Rev. Dora will check on that. Men's club has given \$400 towards that project. They still have money to buy more bells if needed. Rev. Gafford wants to get them t-shirts and gloves. She will check on this also. Apportionments - We still owe \$1852.80 this year - plus \$128 more on the UMC center. Wednesday night suppers and services are doing good. We are coming out about even each time. The people working on the church expect to be finished by Friday. Barbara Gehm made the motion to accept. Seconded by Gail Cain. Passed.

Gail Cain - PPRC had just met and evaluated the pastor.

Norm Gehm said the Finance Committee had not met. Jeff asked him to coordinate with Paul Branch and Dr. Cain to get the loan money to pay the repairmen by Friday.

Gail Cain gave the Trustee's report for Dr. Cain. Two columns had to be repaired on the church. They were rotten. \$1331 for repairs was added to the previous amount. Tim Seales is working on the termite problem. Terry's Locks will change the lock key on the end of the church tomorrow. The water heater in the kitchen is producing a smell in the kitchen. Dr. Cain and Jim Hutchins are handling that. Norm Gehm made the motion to approve the additional \$1331 for repairs. Seconded by Gail Cain. Passed. End of sanctuary has had holes patched before. These holes were done by a woodpecker. The contractor said he could repaint the stucco and trim around the stain glass window for \$200. Norm Gehm made the motion to let the contractor do this. Janet McDonald seconded this. Passed. Above the cross is a water stain done by the contractor when he was pressure washing. They will fix that. The contractor submitted a bid on painting and replacing the woodwork on the rental house and the parsonage - \$5298.00. The contractor said he

would hang the projector for the power point between the chandelier and the cross. Someone is willing to pay for this if it is passed. Norm made the motion to have the projector hung. Doris Miller seconded. Passed. The Quick family we adopted from Mississippi has moved back home. The church custodian has agreed to clean the rental house for \$200 if we rent a carpet cleaning machine for her. Betty Evans made the motion to do this. Doris Miller seconded. Passed. Norm Gehm made the motion that we try to rent it now. Doris Miller seconded. Passed. Dr. Cain needs to run an ad in the newspaper. The house needs to be ready by Dec. 1. We will have to store the furniture somewhere. The rent is to be \$650 per month with them cutting the grass. Money from rent to go into the General Fund. The parsonage rent is now \$850 per month because we are cutting their grass.

Jeff Evans gave the Men's Club report for Paul Branch. They had met with 25 present. Roger Williams was the guest speaker. Tommy Bostic and Jeff Evans prepared the meal. On Dec. 8 they will go to Sheff's in Pembroke for their Christmas party.

Doris Miller - Women's Club report- had met and discussed doing poinsettias for the elderly for Christmas.

Barbara Gehm - Worship Committee- Hanging of the Greens will be the Saturday after Thanksgiving at 5:00. There will be soup and sandwiches following this. The young people will bring the greenery into the sanctuary during church services on Sunday. Rev. Gafford said she would check on the four advent candles. Homecoming will be Sunday and Rev. Tom Williams will be the guest minister. The Trunk or Treat project went well.

Mary Bach gave the Missions report. They are to meet Wednesday morning. They will help a child for Christmas. They have sent money to the missionaries and to the Olive Gospel Mission for the homeless for Thanksgiving meals.

Kay Knight - Education report- average attendance for Oct. was 47.4 and the collection was \$165.25.

Janet McDonald said there would be a meal after the Homecoming service. She will take care of that and then she will resign from her position.

Betty Evans - Best Years Club - There was a bake sale on Nov. 19 where we made a little more than \$500. On Dec. 1 we will go to the beach to shop, eat and see a Christmas show. On Dec. 2 we will go to Florence to Florence Baptist Temple to see the singing Christmas Tree. On Dec. 3 we will have our Christmas dinner.

Jeff Evans and Gail Cain gave a MYF report. Their trip to the Judgement house in Marion went well. They have a ski trip planned for Jan. They are doing a scratch card project now.

**Dianne Stanton - Evangelism.** Helen Driggers is doing the tape ministry. They are to go to Dundee this Saturday at 2:30.

**Norm Gehm - Lay Leader report.** Reminded us we need to get more CDL drivers. He also thanked everyone for helping Kyle with his Eagle Scout work.

**Gail Cain - Prime Time Club.** There were 27 people at the cookout last Saturday night. The next activity will be a Sweetheart Banquet on Friday, February 10, 2006. We will need to have 25 couples for us to have this at Magnolia on Main.


**Rev. Gafford plans to have a Confirmation Class** the beginning of the year. She will talk to Antioch and First Church to see about combining these classes. (6<sup>th</sup> graders) She would like to have a Faith Promise Service on Dec. 11. Pastor and Financial Secretary will be the only ones to see these. Committee cards will be given out the week before and the following Sunday they will be brought to the altar. She wants a report from Evelyn or Paul about where we are on pledges for the repair work. Maybe we need to print this in the bulletin or newsletter.

**Jeff said Terri and Glen Cowan and Dody and Jerry Kendall took a course on "Giving".** They are certified to teach this now. Dora asked what the cost of this was. The Wednesday night schedule for December will be a little different. 5:30 to 6:30 eat, 6:30 to 7:00 sing carols, 7:00 to 7:30 divide into groups.

**Dianne Stanton - Friends In Christ report.** There is a basket in the vestibule for food for our food pantry. They would like people to donate to this.

**Norm made the motion to adjourn.** Rev. Gafford dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,



**Betty Evans**

**Those present:** Barbara Gehm, Norm Gehm, Gail Cain, Dianne Stanton, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Evelyn Smith, Mary Bach, Janet McDonald, Doris Miller, guest - Leroy Perkins, and Rev. Gafford.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 12, 2005

The Administrative Council met on Monday, December 12, 2005, at 7:00 PM.

Those present made comments about how beautiful the Christmas Cantata was, which was presented on Sunday evening December 11, 2005. The number of people in attendance was one of the largest crowds that we've ever had.

Jeff advised that there were no minutes from the November meeting at this time. Betty's mother had been admitted to the hospital in Florence and she was with her.

Paul Branch distributed copies of the Financial Report for November. This was reviewed and discussed. Repairs are continuing to be made to the church by Triple R Construction Company. The remaining balance on the repairs, are approximately \$1334. Paul advised that approximately 95% of the apportionments have been paid. Marjorie Pittman made a motion to approve the report. Norman Gehm seconded the motion. No dissent.

PPRC – No report but the PPRC Committee did get together to do the annual evaluation on Pastor Dora.

Finance Report – Had not met.

Trustees' Report – The rental house has not been advertised yet. Jeff asked Brett Singleton to get with Haynes Cain about this so we can proceed with renting. The furniture in the house will have to be stored.

Norm advised that the Trustee's need to check on the marquise sign at the back of the church. The glass is loose and wants to come out every time the sign is changed. Jeff said he would check on this. Evelyn Smith asked Brett to check the thermostats in the sanctuary. She advised that the thermostats had been staying at 69 degrees, even when the sanctuary is not being used.

The problem with the heating and air condition was discussed in detail. Pee Dee Heating and Air Conditioning, has given a written proposal of \$12,475 to replace the two units that have gone out. This is with a five-year warranty on parts. Hamer heating and Air Conditioning has been asked to give us a bid on replacement. The folks that work at Hamer Heating and Air Conditioning, had advised Jeff that they had given a bid two years ago, but Norman advised that the bid was on the system at the rental house, not at the church. Norman made a motion to replace both units at the same time, rather than one at a time. Glenn seconded the motion. No dissent.

Paul advised that the line of credit at the bank is for \$25,000. This may have to be increased a little.

Jeff advised that we will have a "Call" Administrative Church Council Meeting the following Sunday, December 18, 2005, immediately after worship service to make a final decision. Hopefully, Hamer H & A.C., will submit one by this time and we'll have at least two on file. We have to proceed with this as soon as possible.

Men's Club -- Paul advised that they did meet in November and there were 16 present. Homer Leviner was the guest speaker. It was decided that the men would take their wives out to Sheff's Seafood on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

Elizabeth Williams Circle -- Doris Miller reported that the ladies had gone out together for lunch for their Christmas meeting. The circle did commit to sponsor one of the DSS families.

Missions -- Mary Bach advised that the Missions Committee has decided to help Mary English on her mission trip. She hopes that the church will help also with this project.

Sunday School/Education -- Kay Knight reported an average attendance for November was 44. Total Sunday school offering was \$159.11. Jeff advised that we really need to work on our Sunday school attendance. New ideas and more teachers are desperately needed.

Family Ministries -- Janet McDonald has resigned. Another Hostess Committee will have to be named for the New Year. Brett Singleton advised that he would take this project on. Brett and Pastor Dora will get together on this.

Best Years Club -- Jeff reported that the Best Year's Club had made a Christmas trip to the beach to shop and take in a dinner and show. The Best Year's Club had their annual Christmas Dinner on December 3, 2005. Also, the Best Years Club went to see the Christmas Program at the Florence Baptist Temple.

Youth Ministry -- Brett advised that a ski trip has been planned for the first weekend in January. He reported that they had 25 to 30 kids involved in Christ United Methodist MYF Program. \$1000 is still available to assist with youth programs.

#### Pastor's Report

The new children's hand bell choir will be performing on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. T-Shirts for the children are being ordered and will be paid for by the Men's Club. Lynn Hodge has been working with the children every Wednesday evening on this.

Christmas Eve Service will be a combined Candle Light and Communion Service. It will be at 6:00 PM, and will last no longer than an hour.

It was decided that on Christmas Day, there would be no Sunday school. Worship Service will be held at 11:00 AM.



She advised that we would have a communion service on New Year's Day, during the regular worship service. She also advised the council to give any comments regarding the communion service to Barbara Gehm or herself (thoughts, comments, etc.).

Before the meeting was adjourned, Jeff dismissed Pastor Dora. After discussion regarding Christmas gifts, Norman made a motion to give monetary Christmas gifts in the amount of \$250 for Pastor Dora, \$75 for Carolyn English and \$50 for our church custodian. Jerry Kendall seconded the motion. No dissent.

No further business, meeting was adjourned.

*(Recorded by Barbara Gehm)*

**CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 9, 2006**

The church council met on January 9 at 7:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall with fifteen members and our pastor present. Glen Cowan said a prayer and Dianne Stanton gave a devotional titled "On Holy Ground" by Charles Stanley. Jeff Evans, chairman of the council, said we had had many blessings this past year and much progress had been made at our church.

Minutes from the Nov. 20 called meeting, Nov. 14 council meeting, and the Dec. 12 council meeting were passed out. Pastor Dora asked if the rent on the rental house was to be \$650 or \$700. We are charging \$700 now and we do not cut their grass. We are charging the parsonage rental fee of \$750 plus \$75 more for cutting the grass. Jeff asked Glen to go ahead and order the listening devices. Norm Gehm said one of the handheld microphones is missing. Glen will get this straight. Dora asked about reimbursing Terri and Glen and Dody and Jerry for their expenses in taking the financial course they are teaching. Marjorie Pittman is replacing Janet McDonald on Family Ministries. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept the minutes. Rocky Brown seconded. They passed.

Paul Branch - Treasurer's report- We borrowed \$10,000 from the bank. The Building Fund has \$1815.00 in it. We still have the heating units to pay for. The travel expense this time is for two months. The pest control is just for the church building. Rocky Brown made the motion to accept this report. Barbara Gehm seconded. Passed.

Gail Cain - PPRC Report - Pastor Dora will stay another year. Evelyn Smith has the pledges everyone made. She said \$105,386 was pledged to the General Fund, \$13,370.24 to the Building Fund, and \$8,740.00 has been paid on the Building Fund so far.

Dr. Cain - Trustees Report - The lock has been replaced on the electrical room. The sanctuary work is complete. The heating units have been replaced. We still need a bill on that. The exit light and the dishwasher or dishwasher drains in both rental houses all still need repair. Also two outside lights need to be called about. The projector will be hung Wednesday.

Paul Branch - Men's Club - They had their Christmas party at Chef's in Pembroke with about 17 present. They have been averaging about 19 in attendance each month. This time they will start working on plans for the BarBQue.

Doris Miller - Women's Club - just met. Went out to eat for Christmas. They will continue with their projects.

Barbara Gehm - Worship Committee - will meet Wednesday at 7:00. The Christmas Eve program was wonderful.

Kaye Knight - Education - We only had Sunday School three Sundays in Dec. Average attendance was 47 and the collection was \$102.56. She will be working on different programs for the classes. The Senior class needs a teacher. The Jr./Sr. class is calling people who have not been and asking for them to return.

Betty Evans - Best Years Club report - Passed out 2006 tentative calendar. Rocky Brown made the motion to accept. Doris Miller seconded. Passed. (attached)

The MYF went skiing this past weekend and had a great time. Tom Jackson, the bus driver, wanted to know if he could take the bus by himself to refuel it. Norm Gehm made the motion to allow him to do this. Glen seconded. Passed.

Marjorie Pittman - Library - no news. Dianne asked if we could keep past sermons on file in the library. Dora said Helen is cataloging these and she is having a shelf made for them. Tapes will be bought with holders. Whoever tapes the service is to bring the tape and put it the box outside of Dora's office where Helen can pick them up. Glen needs labels. Dianne and Dora will check on this.

Barbara Gehm made the motion to pay Glenn, Terri, Dody, and Jerry for their expenses for taking the financial course. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed. Glen will tell Paul the amount. They have eight signed up for it. They will meet Friday night at Glen and Terri's to give out books and decide when they will meet. It is a 10 week study. (1.5 to 2 hours long)

Pastor Dora's report - Kaye Knight will work on the Confirmation class with Dora. The children have to be in or past the sixth grade. They will try to combine our children with other churches for this. The newsletter can be late but we will try to put a monthly calendar in out by the end of each month. Dora will be out on April 9 and May 7. (Her graduation) On January 15, we will have a Planning Session immediately after church. We will have light lunch the go to work.

Jeff Evans' remarks - We need to work on three things: 1.) Attendance for the Wednesday night service, 2.) Sunday School attendance is down, and 3.) Prayer. We need to make prayer the center of our church life this year.

Pastor Dora dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,  
Betty Evans 

Those present: Evelyn Smith, Dianne Stanton, Betty Evans, Jerry Kendall, Doris Miller, Jeff Evans, Glen Cowan, Marjorie Pittman, Norm Gehm, Barbara Gehm, Paul Branch, Gail Cain, Rocky Brown, Dr. Cain, Kaye Knight, and Pastor Dora Gafford.

**Council Meeting**  
**Christ United Methodist Church**  
**February 13, 2006**

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Nine members and the pastor were present. Norm Gehm gave a short prayer and Dianne Stanton gave a devotional titled "His Broken Heart."

Jeff announced that the Sunday School attendance was up. Kaye Knight had put out a letter at the Prime Time supper about going to Sunday School. He suggested we make it a personal project to invite someone to Sunday School.

Betty Evans passed out the minutes of the last meeting. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept them. Gail Cain seconded the motion. It passed.

Paul Branch was absent but had sent his Treasure's report. Jerry Kendall asked what the insurance covered? Was it for the church or the house? (church) Mary English Mission Fund has \$630 in it already. Missions will decide if we will take up money for Mary on the first or second Sunday in March. The Men's Club had decided to pay the remainder of what she needs after this collection - up to \$300. Barbara Gehm made the motion to accept this report. Jerry Kendal seconded this. Passed.

Jeff announced that Mark Stubbs would be the new chairman of Trustees. They will meet this week to discuss some things that need to be done in the church. For example: compressor is out in the sanctuary, paint ceiling in Fellowship Hall, lights needing to be replaced in sanctuary, and the outside of two houses needs painting.

Men's Club - They will charge for the barbecue this year but they will also have a gospel singing from 11:00 to 1:00 and use local talent. They put the Evangelism Committee in charge of the singing and gave them a \$500 budget. 75% of the net proceeds will go to the Building Fund and 25% will go to purchasing a new lawn mower. Jerry Kendall spoke at the last meeting.

Doris Miller is giving up Nurture.

The Women's club met with five members present.

Barbara Gehm said the Worship Committee had met and planned the year.

Kay Knight- Education - average attendance for January was 42. Offering: \$151.26.

The Best Years Club is planning a trip to Vermont in October. Our project for 2006 is to try to purchase new tables for the Fellowship Hall. And we may plan a day trip to Newberry.

Last week we had 40 to 50 people at the Wednesday night service. We will continue to have meals until the end of March. We need another set of hand bells for the children. Jerry Kendall made the motion that we purchase another set and buy them T shirts also. Gail Cain seconded this. Passed.

Dianne Stanton - Evangelism Committee- met in February. They have a new name - "Leroy Perkins Evangelism Team" They will pay for one group for the gospel singing at the barbecue. Prayer cards will be signed on Wednesday night. Someone will send cards to people who have been absent. There will be a Shepherd's Social on May 21 - 4:30 until 5:30. They want to pursue painting the pews in the older adult classroom. They will need to discuss that with the members of that class and a professional will have to do the work. Testimonies will be given every fifth Sunday.

Dianne Stanton - Friends in Christ Circle - will have the Easter Egg Hunt April 15, 2006 from 10:00 until 12:00. The basket for food in the vestibule is for the church food pantry.

Relay for Life is May 12. We will have a church team. They want to have a dance in the Fellowship Hall to raise money. A call meeting will be held when their plans are a little clearer on this project.

Jeff thanked Norm Gehm for filling in for the pastor when she was in the accident.

Rev. Dora said confirmation classes would probably be on Sunday afternoon. District Lay Speaker Training class will be held here. We will not do this next year. It starts this coming Sunday from 4:00 until 8:30.

There may be up to 60 here for that. Dora said she would get the food together for this Sunday. Barbara Gehm is to help her. The second Sunday Dianne Stanton and Betty Evans will get the food and the last Sunday Gail Cain and Linda Quick will do the food. The church will pay the expenses. They will eat about 6:00.

Prime Time - Linda Quick - had a Valentine's Dinner at Magnolia on Main. About 24 attended. In April or May there will be a cookout at Linda Quick's. In June they are planning a trip to Fantasy lake in Fayetteville for the families.

Dianne Stanton dismissed us with prayer.

*Respectfully,  
Betty Evans*

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
March 13, 2006

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Twelve members and Pastor Dora Gafford were present. Norm Gehm said a prayer and Dianne Stanton gave a devotion titled "The Hill Song."

Minutes from the last meeting were passed out. Jeff wants to know if we are to continue with the Wednesday night meals. Norm Gehm made the motion to continue through April with the meals except April 12 because we will have Maundy Thursday service that week. Marjorie Pittman seconded. Passed. Another set of hand bells has been ordered for the "Joybells". Rev. Dora said the confirmation class has not started yet but tentatively will start this Sunday at 6:30. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept the minutes. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasure's report. Insurance last month was on the church and the two houses. Souper Bowl collection goes to local food pantry. This year it was \$117. Dora will help get in touch with them. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept this report. Gail Cain seconded. Passed.

Gail Cain said PPRC needs to schedule a meeting before summer.

Norm - no Finance report.

Mark Stubbs gave the Trustees report. They want to replace the bad ceiling tiles in the fellowship hall. They may take tiles out of other rooms to replace these and put new tiles in other room. Dody Kendall in charge of this project. Each new tile is \$3. Mark Stubbs made the motion to do this. The approximate cost is \$120 with a maximum of \$150. He also made the motion to replace the condenser and compressor in the sanctuary. Compressor will have a one year warranty and the condenser will have a five year warranty. Bid was \$2850 from Brett Singleton. Both motions were made together. Both were seconded by Norm Gehm. Both passed. Norm said there was a place on the marquee that needs fixing.

Paul Branch - Men's Club- At the last meeting there were 14 present. No speaker. Jeff Evans did the meal. They discussed the Barbecue. They have

purchased a new lawnmower.

Barbara Gehm- Worship Committee - need to meet. Rev. Dora said it is our turn to do the Sunrise Service. It will be at 7:00 Easter morning. Betty made the motion to replace the tables in the Fellowship Hall. Barbara Gehm seconded this. Passed. Best Years Club will purchase new ones this year as their project. She is working on a trip to Vermont Oct. 16-21, 2006. The Fish Fry was very successful.

Jeff Evans discussed a part time Youth Coordinator. We have someone interested in this job. Naida needs someone to help coordinate activities outside of the church. WE need to start a Sr. MYF and Sunday School program needs help. This needs to go under PPRC and this person would report to them. This has been turned over to them and they will report back to the council. (Job description, salary, type of person, etc.)

Dianne Stanton - Evangelism - they are working on the Gospel Singing for the Barbecue. Jeff Evans has lined up the Clio stage again .

Friends In Christ Circle - Dianne Stanton gave report. They gave \$100 to Relay for Life and \$100 to the Mary English Fund. Letters will be sent to the ladies of the church wanting them to participate in one of the circles. Headphones are missing, This will be put in the bulletin. We need other people to help Glen run the sound system. Maybe Chase Quick or Raymond Sides . Glen will train. Dianne made the motion to ask Chase and Raymond to do this. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed. Glen Cowan has ordered new receivers for the listening devices and he has ordered one cordless microphone.

Gail Cain - The Youth Group is selling t-shirts and caps. We can have the church name put on them if we sell 32+ shirts. Gail, Dianne, and Dora will coordinate this project.

Dianne Stanton - not having the dance for Relay for Life. She made the motion to help Debbie with her project for selling purple ribbons by putting the announcement in the vestibule. They are \$5 each. Gail Cain seconded this. Passed.

Paul said we have nine people from Christ Church going on Salkehatchie.

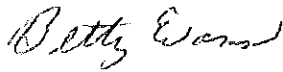


To Bishopville. The church pays half for each one. (\$100 each) The church will give each one a hammer the Sunday before they go.

Rev. Dora - Emile Hamilton's mother's funeral will be tomorrow at 2:00 at Piney Grove Baptist. Clarence Donaldson will have surgery tomorrow at McLeod's. Bulletin covers are ordered. They will be in his week. The copier may need to be replaced soon. Xerox has sent Dora some information on this. Mark Stubbs will talk to Mike Hamilton about this.

Norm Gehm dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Those present: Norm Gehm, Marjorie Pittman, Barbara Gehm, Linda Quick, Jeff Evans, Mark Stubbs, Gail Cain, Dianne Stanton, Paul Branch, Glen Cowan, Evelyn Smith, Betty Evans, Rev. Dora Gafford

**Church Council Meeting  
Christ United Methodist Church  
April 10, 2006**

**Jeff Evans called the meeting to order and Paul Branch opened with prayer. Nine members were present.**

**Minutes of the last meeting were passed out. Barbara Gehm made the motion to accept the minutes. This was seconded by Marjorie Pittman. Passed.**

**Paul Branch gave out the Treasure's report. We are paying half of the expense for thirteen to go to Salkehatchie. The ruling for paying for missions trips- The original was for members only. Norm Gehm made the motion to amend the original to say any person that is an active member of our church program, whose church does not sponsor the mission trip, will be sponsored for half the cost. Mark Stubbs seconded this. Passed. Wednesday night meals will continue for one and one-half months. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept the Treasure's report. Betty Evans seconded. Passed.**

**Mark Stubbs gave the Trustees report. They are pleased with the people doing volunteer work. They had to replace the tiles in the ceiling in the fellowship hall. This cost \$140.00. The air condition unit came in damaged so they had to reorder. This cost \$2218.00. Speakers in sanctuary are fixed. Cables with drivers were needed. Did not need new speakers. Charged \$452.91. Trustees proposal - to get a piano microphone and 4 microphone stands and 4 grill protectors and colored microphone cables (\$140). Norm Gehm made the motion to accept this proposal. Marjorie Pittman seconded. Passed. Mark talked to Mike Hamilton about the copier. Mike gave a proposal for a new copier for \$2640.00. Trustees may do a fund raiser to this later. The vestibule has lights out in the scones and some exit lights are out. The light in the ladies restroom is out also. The parsonage rental house will be vacated the end of the month. Mark Stubbs and Jeff Evans will do a walk through before they leave to see that it is left like it was before they came. They paid a \$200 deposit.**

**Norm Gehm said the Finance Committee met and discussed hiring a program coordinator for the church. This person will help with a variety of things such as; getting special music, youth, Sunday School, etc. They will discuss this later.**

**Barbara Gehm gave the Worship report. They discussed palms for Easter Sunday, study Bibles for graduates in May, Bibles for students in confirmation class, bookmarks for Mother's Day and Father's Day, and the Sunrise Service at our church.**

**The Best Years Club will sponsor a trip to Vermont in October. There will be a yard sale June 4.**

**Kay Knight gave the Sunday School report. April's average attendance was 44 and the collection was \$148.43. She redid the Valentine letter she sent our the Prime Time club and will be sending those out.**

**Marjorie Pittman said the library cards are finished. Marjorie also said the breakfast for the we provided the breakfast for the Sunrise service.**

**Naida Singleton had talked to Jeff about the need for a Senior MYF. They need someone outside of the children's families to talk to them about dating, sex, etc.**

**Norm Gehm made the motion to purchase new hearing devices. Evelyn seconded this. Glen will take care of this.**

**Norm Gehm made the motion to continue Wednesday night meals until school is out or the attendance is off. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed.**

**Norm made the motion to dismiss. Mark Stubbs dismissed us with prayer.**

**Respectfully,**

*Betty Evans*  
**Betty Evans**

**Those in attendance: Kay Knight, Paul Branch, Mark Stubbs, Marjorie Pittman, Barbara & Norm Gehm, Betty & Jeff Evans and Evelyn Smith.**

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
May 8, 2000

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Barbara Gehm opened with prayer. Dianne Stanton gave a devotion titled "My Jesus is Everything" by Anne Graham Lotz. Nine members and Pastor Gafford were present.

Jeff Evans said the Barbeque and Gospel Singing need to be an annual event for our church. They were truly a blessing.

Betty Evans passed out the minutes of the last meeting. Glen Cowan said we have four new hearing devices. We now have six or seven that are working well. Rocky Brown made the motion to put on the Sunday morning announcements that these devices are available. Glen Cowan seconded this and it passed. Barbara Gehm made the motion to accept the minutes. Rocky Brown seconded this. Passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasure's report. The electricity bill is down. The Building Fund loan with Century Bank will be close to being paid off after this month. (Will still owe 3000 or 4000) Only 12 will be going to Salkehatchie instead of 13. Rocky Brown made the motion to accept the report. Evelyn Smith seconded this. Passed.

Dr. Gafford gave the PPRC report. They have decided we need a part time Program Director. (See attachment for description). Their main focus should be on the youth program. ½ hour of hand bells and ½ hour of choir will continue though the summer. Betty Evans made the motion that the salary for this Program Director be \$250 per month with a trial period of six months. Barbara Gehm seconded this. Passed. It will be put in the bulletin. PPRC will do the interviews and will bring it back to the Council. A trustee should be responsible for meetings and etc. at our church to check on things like the heat, air, clean up, etc.

Trustees report- Carpet in office needs cleaning. Mark Stubbs will check with Arthur Hamer about cleaning the two offices and the vestibule. Barbara Gehm made the motion to have this done. Seconded by Rocky Brown. Passed. Materials to fix the rental house doorway has been purchased and will be repaired by Paul Branch and Jeff Evans. Renters in

parsonage will move out by the 15<sup>th</sup>. Do we want to continue to rent it? Everyone agreed that we do. An ad will be put in the paper.

Men's Club - Paul Branch - At the last meeting thirteen were present. Rocky had the devotion. Total sales and donations from the Barbecue was \$14,134.66. This was a profit of \$9,106.26. The new lawn mower has been paid for out of this and the rest will go to the Building Fund.

Barbara Gehm - Worship - Bookmarks will be given to the ladies of the church for Mother's Day. This will be done during the Children's Moment.

Missions- Evelyn Smith -there were 7 ladies present at their meeting on May 3. They gave \$100 to missions and \$100 to two individuals in our church. They are postponing Mission Sunday until June 21. Epworth will be done on Mother's Day.

Marjorie Pittman- we have two boxes of books that have just been donated. There will be a drop-in honoring Dr. Gafford on May 21.

Kay Knight - Sunday School report - Average attendance for April was 45. The offering for April was \$195.94.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans - The annual yard sale is June 3. There is a trip planned for Vermont for Oct. 16-21, 2006.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton- The Barbecue will be an annual event. Martha Hodge will also be trained to work the sound system. Glen Cowan will train Martha, Bill Altman, and Raymond Sides. The Evangelism team needs more participation at Dundee. The Praise team will pay for the microphone that needed to be fixed. The Shepherd's Social will be May 21. The next testimony will be in July and the McClary's will be here for Sunday School.

Circles- Friends in Christ furnished drinks for the MYF lock-in. They will meet the first Saturday of the month at 8:30 A.M. at Magnolia on Main.

Dr. Gafford - Glen Cowan made the motion for her to write the city recreation department requesting them not to schedule their games on Wednesday nights. Everyone seconded this. Dora will do this and write a

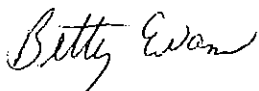
letter to the editor of the Marlboro Herald. She will have Ben Gafford contact other ministers about doing the same. Graduation Sunday will be May 21. The graduates are: Cody Mumford, Mary English, Chad Collins, Laura Cain, Christen McCormick, Steven Hodge, and Rev. Dora Gafford. Nice name plates will be put in the books we give the students in confirmation class. The Salkehatchie workers will get a hammer and be commissioned on June 25.

Barbara Gehm wants to start a Visitation Team. (Visit first time visitors, shut ins, people in the hospital) Glen Cowan made the motion to put funding for this in the budget for next year. Paul Branch seconded this. Passed. Barbara Gehm will be in charge of this.

There will be a drop-in May 21 from 3 to 5 at First Church honoring Dr. Dora Gafford and Dr. Ben Gafford. Their daughters will be giving this with the help of First Church and our church. On May 28 we will honor Dr. Dora Gafford during church service. Carol Hutchins will frame their diplomas. Marjorie Pittman will check with Ben to get an idea for a gift. She will also be given a doctor's bag. After much discussion, Betty Evans made the motion that \$500 be the top amount to put in the gift. Barbara Gehm seconded this and it passed.

Paul Branch dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members present: Barbara Gehm, Dianne Stanton, Marjorie Pittman, Rocky Brown, Paul Branch, Glen Cowan, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, and Evelyn Smith. Dr. Dora Gafford.

Church Council Meeting  
Christ United Methodist Church  
Sunday, May 14, 2006

On Sunday, May 14 there was a called Council meeting immediately following church service.

Marjorie Pittman told that she had talked to Dr. Gafford's husband about a gift for our church to give her for receiving her Doctorate degree. He suggested we give the \$500 that was approved to her to use on payment for her new robe. Marjorie made the motion that we do that. Gail Cain seconded this and it passed.

Doris Miller made the motion that Rocky Brown purchase an A-framed ladder that is tall enough to be able to service our projector. Norm Gehm seconded this motion. Passed.

Respectfully,

Betty Evans

CHURCH COUNCIL  
Christ United Methodist Church  
June 12, 2006

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Norm Gehm prayed . Twelve members and the pastor were present.

Jeff's remarks: We have several going to work at Salkehatchie. Keep them in our prayers. We have from our church going on the next Emmaus Walk. The sermon yesterday was on strengths and weaknesses. We need to work on our Sunday School attendance. He wants to get with Kay and try to come up with some ideas about how to do that. Dianne Stanton said the Friends In Christ Circle would pick up any kids that need a ride to Sunday School. He stated that Tammy Collins was doing a great job with the Power Point.

Betty Evans passed out the minutes of the May 8 meeting and the May 14 call meeting. Pastor Dora will soon write the letter to the editor about the recreation department schedule. Norma Gehm made the motion to accept the minutes as read. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed. They will commission the people for Salkehatchie on June 18.

Paul Branch – Treasurer's report :Mark Stubbs questioned the price of the air condition unit. It was \$2218 but paid \$2845. Linda Quick made the motion to accept as written. Mark seconded. Passed.

Mark Stubbs – Trustees: Carpet has been cleaned by Arthur Hamer. Jeff Evans and Paul Branch fixed the door at the parsonage. Rental house ran in the paper for 3 weeks for \$700 per month. It should have been \$750 plus yard agreement. (\$75 to cut their grass) He will start running it again this week. He will run it for a month. The bus had a problem. It cost \$284.30 to replace a brake vacuum pump. Norm Gehm made the motion to pay for this out of the Bus Fund. Gail Cain seconded this. Passed. Mark said it would cost \$2700 to replace the copier. He suggested we raise this money from church donations. Jeff said the money raising part is Norm Gehm's job as Finance Chairman. Paul asked about the maintenance agreement. It is due now. Mark said he would have Mike Hamilton work on that. The parsonage and the Easterling house both need painting. He had quotes. They chose the one with more detail and experience. It would cost \$3900 labor only to paint them both. Then we would have to pay for the materials. (\$2100 – Easterling and \$1800 – parsonage). They had three bids. This bid



included bleaching, washing, priming, caulking, and painting the houses. This was sent to the Finance Committee.

Paul Branch gave the Men's Club report. Twenty-two were present at the last meeting. Randy Roller gave the program. They paid \$6000 on the mortgage with money made on the Barbeque. At their next meeting they will finalize the plans to feed the Salkehatchie workers at the First Church.

Barbara Gehm – Worship report : On Father's Day they will give out book marks like they did on Mother's Day. The Visitation Team had their first meeting. There will be four different types of visitation. Cookies will be taken on the visits to give the people. Their next meeting is June 28 at 6:00 P.M. We would like to have more people involved with this project.

Marjorie Pittman –Hostess Committee: We did a breakfast for the graduates and their families. Food was prepared for the Hardy family and for the Hodge family. Tables were set up for the Long family meal which was held at our church but was prepared by First Church. Doris Miller and Marjorie will do this job together.

Marjorie Pittman – Librarian : Cards have all been made. Would like someone else to do this job.

Kay Knight – Sunday School: Average attendance in May was 40. Collection was \$132.66. She addressed 25 letters to be sent out to those that do not come to Sunday School.

Betty Evans – Best Years Club: They will sponsor a trip to Vermont Oct. 16-21, 2006. The yard sale made almost \$1000. Things left over from the yard sale went to New Harvest Ministries Outreach in Laurinburg. They helped us with our family from Mississippi.

Gail Cain– PPRC: Gail Cain presented Steve Hodge to be the new Program Director. PPRC has interviewed him already. Initially, he will work on the Sunday School program and the Youth program. He will receive \$250 per month for a six month trial period. He will also work with special programs for the church. At the end of six months he will go before the PPRC. He must attend the Council meetings. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed.

Dianne Stanton – Evangelism: The Shepherd's Social is June 25. It is a drop-in from 4:30-5:30. Jennifer Wilkes will be going to Dundee to play the piano for them. Cards need to be sent to those not coming. The Friends In Christ Circle is talking about pins for perfect attendance in Sunday School.

Linda Quick – Prime Time Club: They will travel to Fantasy Lake in Fayetteville on July 29 for a day of fun. They will take individual cars.

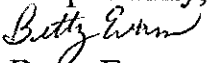
Dr. Dora Gafford – June 25 is the last confirmation class. She will talk to their parents about a date for this service. She wants to do a breakfast for these people like they did for the graduates. August is "Camp Meeting" month. We will have old songs we know. Norm made the motion we have "Camp Meeting" every Sunday morning and evening in August. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed. Salkehatchie workers will be commissioned on June 18. Our June 25 service will begin with the Vacation Bible School program.

Jeff Evans said our preacher is stretched to the limit since she is serving two churches. We need to approach the DS to get our pastor full time for us again. We need to think about that this month.

Paul Branch made the motion that if our Salkehatchie workers came up short and needed more money to finish that we would give them up to \$300. Gail Cain seconded this. Passed.

Dr. Dora said the Red Cross has a blood drive set for June 24 at our church. She will call and tell them not to come then. We have other things scheduled for that time. A Planning Retreat is scheduled for August 5 to go to Santee for the day.

Norm Gehm made the motion to adjourn. We were dismissed with prayer by our pastor.

Respectfully,  
  
Betty Evans

Those present: Dianne Stanton, Kay Knight, Mark Stubbs, Linda Quick, Barbara Gehm, Norm Gehm, Paul Branch, Gail Cain, Betty Evans, Marjorie Pittman, Glen Cowan, Jeff Evans, and Dr. Dora Gafford.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
July 10, 2006

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Eleven members and one guest were present. Rocky Brown opened with prayer.

Paul Branch – Treasurer's report – Paul passed out his report. He made the motion to pay for the ladder for the church from the General Fund instead of the Men's Club. (\$586.18) Glen Cowan seconded this. Passed. Jeff said the suppers on Wednesday night would start back after schools are in session again. Rocky Brown made the motion to accept Paul's report. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed.

Betty Evans – Minutes – The parsonage was rented at \$700 because that is what they saw in the paper. Salkehatchie only used \$40 of the \$300 set aside for them. Paul asked when Steve Hodge officially started his job. Jeff told him to check with Pastor Dora but it was probably June 12. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept. Barbara Gehm seconded. Passed.

Paul Branch- Men's Club – Glen Cowan gave the report on the last meeting. They had about 10 men present. They fed Salkehatchie workers at the first of the month. Jeff suggested adding a salad or something next year for the vegetarians.

Rocky Brown gave the final Bar-B-Que report:

Collected - \$14385.66

Expenses - 5136.40

Profit - \$ 9,249.26

\$6000 of this profit was put on the money the church owed and they also bought a lawn mower for the church.

Dianne Stanton – Women's Club – Friends In Christ Circle met at Magnolia On Main with 2 new members. They now have 8. They need to sell more cookbooks. They will supply food for the swimming party. She also said the Evangelism Team had their Shepherd's Social.

Barbara Gehm – Worship Committee – We will be having August Camp Meetings. Jeff asked her to see if everything is coordinated about that.

The Visitation Committee was scheduled to meet but no one could come. They have delivered 5 bags of cookies to people who have not been in a long time. We need to visit our new renters in the parsonage.

Mary Bach – Missions Committee – They have 8 members. They went to the nursing home and visited and will do this every month. Have helped 3 families in our church. McClarys (missionary family) will be here shortly. We may need to help them some. Jeff wants us to help more financially with Salkehatchie in Bennettsville and Bishopville next year.

Marjorie Pittman – Cora Brewer's daughter did not want us to feed the family the day of the funeral but we did send food over to their house. Library – cards are finished. She would like someone else to take this job. Gail Cain said she would like to help so Marjorie will talk to her. When the McClarys come, Marjorie will have juice and pastries for the entire adult Sunday School classes.

Sunday School attendance is better. Cushions are available. Jr/Sr. Adult class sent invitations out to their social for July 22. Letters have been sent out. There is a Sunday School meeting at 6:00 before the next Men's Club meeting.

Betty Evans- Best Years Club – The trip for Vermont on Oct. 16-21 is full. There will be a hot dog and ice cream social at 6:30 Saturday night for the BYC.

Linda Collins asked to speak to the Council about our apportionments that would go to sponsor The Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice. Their mission is to safeguard abortion. She recommends that we withhold that part of our apportionments if we are paying them. Paul said they are not on our list. It was suggested that Linda write the District Superintendent about this. (Quay Adams)

Jeff Evans – Remarks- He talked about trying to get our pastor back full time. Dora's salary is approximately \$43,514. Antioch pays approximately \$10,000. Our salary did not come down when we became a 2-church charge. We have more pastors coming out of seminary than ever before. Paul said we first need to decide if we can afford this. We now have a pastor with a Doctorate. Much, much, much discussion followed. Norm Gehm made the motion to approach Quay Adams (DS) about making us a

one church charge. PPRC Chairman (Gail Cain), Council Chairman (Jeff Evans) and Pastor Dora need to have an informal meeting with the DS. Glen Cowan seconded this motion. Passed. We need to have growth reports and reports on what all of our committees are doing by the next meeting. We need ideas on how to raise the extra \$10,000 for salary. Then they will set an informal meeting with the DS. Jeff will talk to Pastor Dora about the money. Norm needs to have a Finance meeting as soon as possible.

Rocky Brown made the motion to dismiss. Glen dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

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Betty Evans

Members Present: Norm Gehm, Barbara Gehm, Marjorie Pittman, Evelyn Smith, Mary Bach, Dianne Stanton, Glen Cowan, Rocky Brown, Paul Branch, Jeff Evans, and Betty Evans. Linda Collins was the guest.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
July 23, 2006

There was a called Council meeting held immediately after church on Sunday, July 23, 2006. Thirteen members were present.

Norm Gehm, Finance Chairman, made the motion to take the rental house money for two months and put it in the General Fund to pay for a new copier. It's cost is approximately \$2700.00. The next part of his motion was after that time to use the rental money and Building Fund money to do the painting on the rental houses at a cost of ~~\$4900.00~~<sup>\$3400.00</sup>. Discussion followed. Mark Stubbs seconded this. It was voted on and passed.

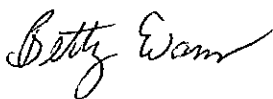
Norm Gehm also made the motion for the church to try to raise an additional \$10,000 so we could pursue the avenue of getting our minister back on a one-church charge. Some ways to do this were mentioned such as; ask 100 people to donate \$100, ask people to put \$5.00 more per week in their offering, put it in the newsletter, and a pledge campaign. This passed.

Doris Miller made the motion for the church to pay for the meat when we feed a family at the time of a death. Barbara Gehm suggested we get it from Carl's since we get our Wednesday night meals from them and they do such a good job. Betty Evans seconded this. It passed.

Norm Gehm made the motion to adjourn. Steve Hodge seconded this.

We were adjourned with prayer by Steve Hodge.

Respectfully,



Betty Evans

Members present: Norm Gehm, Barbara Gehm, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Mark Stubbs, Doris Miller, Bill Altman, Mary Bach, Paul Branch, Jerry Kendall, Steve Hodge, and Dianne Stanton.

**Church Council Meeting**  
**Christ United Methodist Church**  
**August 14, 2006**

Fifteen members and Dora were present. Rocky Brown opened with prayer. Barbara Gehm gave a devotional titled "A Gift For No Special Occasion." Jeff said Sunday night services are great. Norm Gehm made the motion to pay the preachers for Sunday night services \$60. Evelyn Smith seconded this motion. Passed.

Betty Evans passed the minutes out for July 10 and the Call Meeting for July 23. On July 10 - group reports are due. If not prepared, please get them ready soon. Rocky Brown made the motion to accept the minutes from both meetings. Norm seconded this. Passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasurer's report. About 70% of the apportionments have been paid. Dora has the certificate for the 100% apportionments for last year. \$74 was spent on the lunch for the McClarys. Barbara Gehm made the motion to accept the report. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed.

Gail Cain gave the PPRC report. They had met and reviewed salaries and they sent this to Finance. Finance Committee has not met. This needs to be settled by the end of September. Finance will meet soon.

Mark Stubbs - Trustees - It costs \$3900 for painting the Easterling house and the cost of the materials to fix the wood trim. The new copier is \$2700.00. They will put it in Wednesday. We are not allowed very much for the old one so we will try to sell it. Our service contract for the old copier is \$564. This has to be paid by May. Mark will call Paul about this. Paul Branch asked about putting vinyl siding on the houses. Mark has already signed a contract with Chino to start this work but he will check the prices on this. Glen Cowan fixed the lights in the Fellowship Hall. We still have some lights out in the sanctuary. Jeff said the furniture that is being stored needs to be checked. Norm Gehm said the ceiling in the men's restroom needs painting.

Paul Branch - Men's Club report - Fifteen men were present at their last meeting. Lee Herndon did the meal.

Doris Miller - Nuture - Marjorie Pittman is working with her. We fed the Rouse family and the church bought the meat. Smyrna church helped with feeding the Hamer/Pittman family. The prayer chain needs more people on it. Doris will make a new list. We need a night and morning list. She will see Bonnie about putting it in the bulletin or she will call people.

Barbara Gehm - Worship - They have planned out the year already so have not met. Since the last meeting. - Visitation - Bags have been taken to 3 sick people.

Mary Bach - Missions - They have carried food to people who have been in the hospital - until they could cook for themselves. Visited the nursing home.

Kay Knight - Sunday School - July average attendance was 67 and the offering was \$265.60. Promotion Sunday is September 10. Door signs are up. Additional books for classes are here. We may want to have Sunday School class of the month or charts in classes for : bringing their Bible, bringing a friend, attending class, studying lesson - something to recognize the kids. We need to put bulletin boards up in the hallways outside of each class in case someone new comes in they could easily recognize the class they need to go into. Kay made the motion to get these bulletin boards. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed. Mark Stubbs will make sure they get hung.

Betty Evans - wants to put up a Best Years Club bulletin board in the hallway. Rocky Brown made the motion to do this. Doris Miller seconded this. Passed.

Marjorie Pittman - Shoe Box Thermometer - Goal is 100 boxes. This needs to be put on the overhead on Sunday morning. Dec. 9 is the workday in Charlotte, N. C. for this. We are signed up to work at 10:00 and to take at least 25 people. (13 years old and up)

Linda Quick - Prime Time Club went to Fantasy Lake July 29. About 30 attended. This included Prime Time and the youth. Had 5 events this year. Have about \$100 of the \$500 they were allotted for the year.



Steve Hodge - Project Coordinator - Steve made the motion to let Music Masters check on speakers in nursery to see if they can be fixed. Doris seconded this. Passed. Mark will check on this. Betty Evans made the motion to do a new yearbook and that Steve will head this up. This may be coordinated with First Church and Antioch. We need new tripod stands for posters for Narthex.

We will start Wednesday night services again after Labor Day. Barbara will teach 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. We need another teacher still. Nursery for Wednesday night - Marjorie Pittman made the motion we pay the nursery worker \$20. This will be for about 1 ½ hours. (6-7:30) Norm Gehm seconded. Passed. Wilma Cowan will do this job. Volunteers will do this until Wilma gets over her surgery. Dianne Stanton still has the Sunday morning nursery. Barbara Gehm made the motion to pay Kayce Branch \$15 for each of the next two Sunday nights that we are having special services. Linda Quick seconded. Passed. TV/VCR&DVD players- for Sunday School classes - Best Buy - \$218 as is. Have asked for church discount. WE would need 4. Jerry Kendall made the motion to purchase these. Barbara Gehm seconded this. Passed. Salkehatchie - Fund Raiser - Marjorie Pittman made the motion to use our church to have a fish fry. Gail Cain seconded this. Passed. Upgrading projector - We will hold off on this until we get some prices.

Rev. Gafford - Talked about the materials for the Sunday School classes. If we order that it would be used on Sunday morning and Wednesday night. Norm Gehm made the motion to purchase this material and Rocky Brown seconded this. Dora will check with Mike Hamilton on the bulletin boards and the tripod stands. Rocky Brown made the motion to purchase 6 church calendars. Jerry Kendall seconded this. Passed.

If the chairmen reports have not been turned in, please do so by Sunday. Norm Gehm made the motion to adjourn. Gail Cain seconded this. Passed. Paul Branch dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully, Betty Evans *Betty Evans*  
(Doris Miller, Evelyn Smith, Marjorie Pittman, Jerry Kendall, Mary Bach, Rocky Brown, Norm Gehm, Barbara Gehm, Gail Cain, Linda Quick, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Steve Hodge, Paul Branch, Kay Knight, Mark Stubbs, & Pastor Dora Gafford)

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
September 11, 2006

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. Fifteen members and Rev. Gafford were present.

Betty Evans gave out the minutes of the last meeting. Barbara Gehm will be acting secretary during Charge Conference for Betty. TVs have been purchased and are being used on Wednesday nights. The service contract for the copier is \$564 which we should not have to pay. Person from copier company is suppose to check on this. We now have tables for all the TVs. Projector prices are not available yet. Rocky Brown made the motion to accept the minutes as read. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed.

Paul Branch - Treasure Report - 70% of apportionments have been paid through August. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept this report. Glen Cowan seconded this. Passed.

Norm Gehm - Finance - Made the following motion for the salaries:

Pastor salary - add 3% - +\$1305 - NEW \$44,820 (travel -\$5200)

Pianist - add 2 ½% -+\$133.29 - NEW \$5,465.95

Custodian - add 2% - \$75.01 - NEW \$3,825.65

Program Director - no change because new job

Evelyn Smith seconded. Passed.

Norm Gehm - Lay Leader and Jeff Evans - A member of our church has called because the pastor has filed a complaint against the Country Club against them getting a Beverage and Alcohol license. The new owners have asked us to drop this. Barbara Gehm made the motion that we stand with the pastor on this. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed unanimously. We will go to Columbia to fight this.

Mark Stubbs - Trustees -Dody will check on the furniture in storage.

Vinyl siding quote - Wayne Goings gave a quote to do both houses except part around windows and not replacing any boards - \$6600.00. Mark made the motion for the Trustees to go with this and cancel the paint job that they were going to have done. They will use white siding. Rocky Brown seconded this. Paul Branch will get another estimate. Discussion followed.

This passed. Now it will go to Finance for funds.

Thermostats - Brett Singletary suggested not to use these. They can be put in lock out mode. We need to teach a few people how to do this.

EVERYONE needs to abide by this. At night the temperature will go down and this will save on our utility bill. Jeff suggested Mark make an announcement in church about this. Trustees need to be trained. If there is a problem people need to see a Trustee. If this does not work, lock boxes will have to be put on.

Sanctuary Unit - was bad. Brett Singletary wants to donate one as part of his tithes - to replace one of the other units. Mark Stubbs made the motion to accept this donation with Brett installing the unit at no cost to the church. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed.

Paul Branch - Men's Club - 12 members and 2 guests at last meeting. R.L. Rogers did the meal and Jim Woods was the speaker.

Doris Miller - circle - agreed to give money for \_\_\_\_\_.

Barbara Gehm - Visitation - took goodie bag to J.M. Driggers.

Mary Bach - Missions - they have visited the shut-ins and the nursing home every week.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans - We are working on the flower bed near the cross outside.

Linda Collins - Evangelism - They are checking on the Shepherding project. They need more shepherds. They will have fifth Sunday testimonies. On Wednesday night they will have spontaneous testimonies (10 minutes)

Norm Gehm requested that the pastor see about having a Sunday night service with First Church and Antioch.

Rev. Dora Gafford - wants to know what to do about fifth Sunday - if we want to have praise and worship or regular service. She said the first Wednesday night can be designated for testimonies and communion but the pastor will be prepared also if no one wants to give a testimony. Music will be cut back for sharing time.

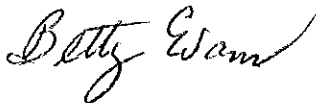
Marjorie Pittman - Church provided breakfast for Confirmation class.

Steve Hodge - Project Director - asked if church pays for anyone wanting to get DSL license. Someone had said they would pay for one person to do this. Someone will be here tomorrow to talk to him about the directory.

Rev. Dora - Sept. 24 is Promotion Sunday. No sponsor to high school year book. Trustees will meet on renting the church and they will get back to us. The city and county have a petition to be able to put a manger scene, menorah, and snowman at the court house. They will pay for it. Glen Cowan made the motion to sign the petition as a church. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed. Chairman will sign for the church. There is a new Gideon camp in Marlboro county. They have asked to come do a church service for us. This will be left up to Rev. Dora. Our Charge Conference will be Oct. 8 at 2:30 at Trinity on Hwy. 9. That morning she will be at First Church for the Homecoming/dedication service.

Norm Gehm made the motion to adjourn. Evelyn Smith seconded this. Passed. Pastor dismissed us.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members present: Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Marjorie Pittman, Barbara Gehm, Paul Branch, Norm Gehm, Mary Bach, Evelyn Smith, Glen Cowan, Linda Collins, Rocky Brown, Jerry Kendall, Doris Miller, Mark Stubbs, Steve Hodge and Rev. Dora Gafford.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
October 9, 2006

Dianne Stanton gave a devotion. Jerry Kendall opened with prayer.

Minutes from the last meeting were passed out. Doris Miller made the motion to accept them as read. Seconded by Mary Bach. Passed.

Paul Branch gave out the Treasure's report. Margie Pittman made the motion to accept as read. Glenn Cowan second this. Passed.

Norm Gehm was not present so the budget will be discussed next month.

Trustees report given by Mark Stubbs. Mark and Jim Hutchins inspected the parsonage. Plumbing problems will be fixed by Paul Branch. Stove and refrigerator problems will be fixed by Jim Hutchins. Floor in the kitchen needs to be repaired. Total repairs will be \$850.00 Mark made the motion to spend \$850.00 to do these repairs. Jerry Kendall second this. Passed. Mark made the motion to spend \$300 to fix the speaker in the nursery. Second by Evelyn Smith. Passed. Vinyl siding discussed - same bid - two people. Lock boxes will be put on the air conditioner.

Paul Branch gave the Men's Club report. At the last meeting, fifteen were present and Charles Malloy was the speaker. Jerry Kendall and Richard Bach did the meal.

Doris Miller - we've had three deaths: Mr. Lewis, Mr. Watson, and Mr. Lackey. The Circle gave a memorial for Reid Lewis.

Kay Knight - Sunday School report - 61 was average attendance and collection was \$197.27.

Marjorie Pittman - Homecoming is October 20.

Best Years Club - Vermont Trip - October 16- 21 and the Chicken and Dumpling Dinner is Oct. 13.. There will be a bake sale and yard sale on November 18, 2006.

Linda Collins - Dundee - room was full. Shepherd program is on a yearly basis (Jan.-Dec.) There will be a lunch on Dec. 3 - recognition. Bill Ratliff will give first testimony. Correspond with visitation committee.

Jerry Kendall - caught up membership register. We have 10 new members.

Mary Bach - Missions - They have two families to give dinner and gifts to. They are also helping a member with medicine.

Steven Hodge - M & M Mission money and on Oct. 18 they youth will serve a meal to raise money.

Salkehatchie fund raiser will be a fish fry on Nov. 11 from 11:00 to 2:00. They will sell 500 plates.

Single church charge discussion.

Mark Stubbs dismissed us.

Respectfully,

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Minutes taken by Jeff Evans

Typed by Betty Evans

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
Nov. 13, 2006

Present:

Dianne Stanton  
Evelyn Smith  
Marjorie Pittman  
Glen Cowan  
Jeff Evans  
Betty Evans  
Mark Stubbs  
Paul Branch  
Rev. Dora Hoff

Jeff Evans called the meeting to order. There were eight members of the Council and Rev. Dora Gafford present. Mark Stubbs opened with prayer. Dianne Stanton gave a devotional titled "Grumpy Old Man".

Minutes of the last meeting were passed out. Glen Cowan made the motion to accept them as read. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed.

Paul Branch gave the Treasure's report. Our storage building rate is going up next month. We only have about 10% of the apportionments left to pay. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept this report. Seconded by Mark Stubbs. Passed. Bus insurance has been paid. This was not put in the budget. We will have to discuss this later.

PPRC will meet Nov. 21 for yearly evaluations. Steve Hodge's evaluation needs to be done before the end of the year so the committee that hired him can evaluate him.

Mark Stubbs - Trustees report - Floor in parsonage has been fixed. George Causey broke the refrigerator tray while moving the refrigerator so he will pay for this. The thermostats have been programmed. Mark asked Paul to talk to the repairman about waiting to do the repairs.

Men's Club - Paul Branch - Sixteen were present at their last meeting. Norm Gehm did the meal. Jackson Cain talked to them about his Eagle Scout project of a bus shed.

Dianne Stanton - Friends in Christ Circle - They are having a ladies at Springmaid Beach the second week of April. It will cost \$100 for Friday and Saturday night. They are feeding a Hospice family for Thanksgiving.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton - They will go to Dundee this Saturday. Martha Hodge gave her testimony on Wednesday night. They need more shepherds. Visitations are going well and so are the cookies.

Jeff asked about the Hanging of the Greens. Betty Evans made the motion

to do this Sunday, Nov. 26 and have soup and sandwiches and dessert afterwards. Marjorie Pittman will organize this. Evelyn Smith seconded this. Passed. This was done so we would not have to take away from our Wednesday night program.

The children will sing during church on Dec. 10 and the choir will have their cantata that night at 6:00. Marjorie will see that everyone brings pickup foods. Everyone is to bring syrup the first Sunday in December. This will be used for the "Breakfast with Santa".

Marjorie Pittman - Homecoming went well. We feed the family of Mrs. Lizzie.

Betty Evans - Best Years Club - We had a yard and bake sale on Nov. 18 and did very good. We went on our trip to Vermont.

Salkehatchie money from the fish fry needs to be put in a bonded chairman account. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to put it in the Best Years Club account and then can write one check to get it out when time comes in June. Glen Cowan seconded this. Passed.

Rev. Gafford - Trustees need to check on something to hold the choir robes. Mark needs to talk to Carolyn English about this. She needs to him what she wants in there. Then they can bring it to Council. On Dec. 24, there will be a Candlelight Communion Service at 6:00. We will hold candle cups. Scouts meet here on Monday and they need a key for Michelle Herndon to get in with them. Dial up internet will increase. Dora was told we could get high speed for \$25. We are paying \$14.90 now but have a \$5.00 discount so actually we pay \$9.90. She will check on this. The 2007 calendars are available and are \$8.00.

Jeff read a letter from the Sheriff's Department. They are having a Christmas party on Dec. 19 for their employees and want contributions from us. He will put the letter on the bulletin board.

Marjorie Pittman - We are to leave at 7:30 on Dec. 9 to go work at Samaritan's Purse in Charlotte from 10:00 to 5:00. If anyone is going they have to fill out a form first. They are expecting 25 of us.

We were dismissed by Rev. Gafford. Respectfully, Betty Evans

*Betty Evans*



Church Council Called Meeting  
Sunday, Nov. 26, 2006

A council meeting was called due to the church bus burning. The Insurance company has totaled the bus and has offered to pay us \$28,500 plus \$300 sales tax. The bus company from Lumberton has a bus for \$28,500 which would leave us with only the cost of about \$500 for putting our name on the bus. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept the insurance company offer of \$28,800 and for 4 or 5 people to go look at this bus and to buy it if it is acceptable. Passed. Paul Branch, Jeff Evans, Lamar Freeman, and Mark Stubbs will go look at the bus.

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Respectfully,

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Betty Evans

Council Meeting  
Christ United Methodist Church  
January 8, 2007

Members Present:

Linda Collins	Lamar Freeman	Mark Stubbs
Glen Cowan	Norman Gehm	Evelyn Smith
Mildred Perkins	Helen Driggers	Mary Bach
Rocky Brown	Steven Hodge	Andrea Watson
Norma Moody	Marjorie Pittman	Jeff Evans
Paul Branch	Dianne Stanton	Rev. Dr. Dora Gafford

Glen Cowan opened the meeting with 17 members, the Pastor, and one guest present.

Opening prayer: Jeff Evans

Harry Easterling, Attorney at Law, was our guest speaker. He would be speaking on Incorporation of the Church. Glen asked him to make his presentation at the beginning of the meeting. Harry explained that an "unincorporated association" is a group of people with their own rules, such as our church, where the people are liable for any legal matters if the church could not stand behind it's legal business (Loans, Finances, etc.) He also explained that an "Incorporation" was where the Church becomes it's own entity, and has the capabilities of doing such things as holding property and doing business, such as obtaining insurance.

Harry stated that filing the appropriate paper work with the State, and following some by-laws could do this. He also explained that two members of the governing board (Trustees) must sit on any other board in the Church. Their responsibility will be to report back to the governing board.

Harry also stated that a Registering Agent must be appointed that is capable of handling the church business. This needs to be someone other than the Pastor. Once this is done things such as the Deed, Insurance, Real Property, Vehicles, and etc. will need to be changed to the new corporation.

Devotion: "Drinking from a Saucer" was the title of Dianne's devotional on giving thanks to God for His overflowing blessings.

Minutes for December 11, 2006 were read, approved, and accepted. Motion given by Marjorie Pittman, second by Mark Stubbs. Voted, Motion carried.

Financial Report for December 2006 was read, approved, and accepted. Motion given by Jeff Evans, second by Mark Stubbs. Voted, Motion carried.

Trustees, Mark Stubbs:

Mark made a statement that the Church needed to act on Incorporating. He stated that someone, such as Paul Branch, be appointed as the Registering Agent. The Incorporation would help protect the Church and the Conference. The trustees would investigate the financial cost of becoming Incorporated, and will report back.

Mark also reported the following:

- K&J Trophy cut the cost of lettering the bus from \$490.00 to \$400.00.
- There was no report on the leak fix and that the Trustees would investigate it.
- The Trustees would meet on the Facility Use Rules and Regulations (To include the bus).

Glen Cowan mentioned that the storage building needed to be cleaned out. There were things that needed discarding, to make storage room for some Church property. He said that he would mention to the congregation, that anyone who had personal belongings in the storage room, to remove them. He would also mention the same motion about the choir room, which is going to be remodeled.

Norman Gehm mentioned that the door on the rear sign needed some repair. Jeff Evans was made aware of it and he would make the repairs.

Friends in Christ Circle: Dianne Stanton

Reported that their Retreat is planned for April 13, 2007 at Camp Pine Hill. Rev. Dr. Dora Gafford will be the leader. Cost is \$100.00 per person. They also reported that they bought a Christmas dinner for a family during the Christmas holidays.

Elizabeth Williams Circle:

Meeting was on January 8, 2007.

Worship Committee: No Report

Missions Committee: Mary Bach

Pancake Supper is planned for February 20, 2007. She also reported that they helped a family at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Family Committee: Marjorie Pittman No Report

Church School: No Report

Lay Leader: Norman Gehm

Norman mentioned that some of the new red hymnals have disappeared. He also stated that the piano in the choir room needed to be changed out with the one in the fellowship hall.

Best Years Club: Jeff Evans

Reporting for Betty Evans, The servers would be taken out this Saturday night. He also presented the proposed 2007 calendar. He also said that Betty would like to know about the directory. The Pastor said that the original plans were to wait until the first of 2007 before continuing the work on the directories.

Youth: Steven Hodge

Steven reported that the youth group took ten baskets to the shut-ins and the nursing home over the Christmas holiday.

Outreach: Helen Driggers

Asked that someone makes sure that the labels get affixed to the tapes (Sunday Service). She would like to have an announcement made that anyone who wanted a copy of the tape, to please contact her. It was suggested that this should be mentioned to Tammy Collins and have it put on the PowerPoint at the beginning of the Worship Service.

PPRC: Jeff Evans

They are scheduled to meet on the following Monday night and that they had some forms to be filed out.

Evangelism Committee: Linda Collins

She reported that Sheriff Fred Knight is scheduled to give his testimony on the first Wednesday service of the month of February. She also reported that there are 23 in the Shepard's Program. Each has four to five families. She said she would like to have a few more Sheppard's. This will also be mentioned to Tammy Collins and have it put on the PowerPoint at the beginning of the Worship Service.

Pastors Report: Rev. Dr. Dora Gafford

The Pastor reported the following:

- Pastor has copies of the 2007 Personnel and she will post copies on the bulletin boards.
- Blood Drive, January 27, 2007, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Volunteers are needed.
- Conference notified that 100% of apportionments were paid for 2006.
- Director for Vacation Bible School is needed. Asked for volunteers, material needs to be ordered
- Salkehatchie Material was received. \$100.00 per person to be paid by May 7, 2007. Camp in Bennettsville – June 30<sup>th</sup> through July 7<sup>th</sup>, Men's Club to prepare meal for June 30<sup>th</sup>. Our group goes to camp June 23<sup>rd</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Pastor made a statement that the budget needed to be prepared 2007.
- Heather Perkins has asked the Church to transfer her membership to Smyrna United Methodist Church.
- A committee needs to be formed and meet to get dates for the events in 2007, by the end of January.
- Pastor has asked Rocky Brown to serve as on the Council as Vice Chairman and he has accepted.

Emmaus Group: Jeff Evans

Fees for Emmaus will increase to \$200.00 starting in May 2007. Scheduled to attend during 2007 are Carolyn English, Lynn Hodge, and Pat Rogers.

Relay For Life: Glen Cowan

Reported that the kickoff meeting is to be held on the following Monday at his home. The first fund raiser, Breakfast with Santa, made over \$800.00

Upcoming Events:

Souper Bowl Sunday	February 4, 2007
Missions Sunday	February 11, 2007
Ash Wednesday	February 21, 2007
Easter Sunday	April 8, 2007
Fish Fry	March 16, 2007
Annual BBQ	April 28, 2007
	April 26, 2007 (Cook Day)
	April 27, 2007 (Business Delivery)

Next meeting was set for February 12, 2007.

The Pastor dismissed the meeting with prayer, adjourning at 8:12 PM.

For Mrs. Betty Evans, respectfully submitted;

Rocky Brown

**Church Council**  
**Christ United Methodist Church**  
**Feb. 12, 2007**

Glenn Cowan called the meeting to order. Eighteen members and Rev. Dora Gafford were present. Norm Gehm prayed.

Betty Evans passed out the minutes from the January meeting. Rocky Brown had taken these for Betty. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept them as written. Jeff Evans seconded this. Passed.

Paul Branch - Treasurer - \$100 was given to the American Cancer Society from the Santa Breakfast project. Balance of Rev. Gafford's travel money was given to her for her education bills. There is \$50 in the account that goes to the Missions Committee and so will the Super Bowl Sunday money. Rev. Gafford will talk to the children about what they want to do with their \$168.63. Rocky Brown made the motion to accept the report. Seconded by Evelyn Smith. Passed.

Mark Stubbs - Trustee report - Rules and regulations for using the bus will be updated and brought before the council. Rev. Gafford needs a list of who is on the bus and a contact number for them when it is used. They have cleaned up the exit way at the fuse box room. Some of the things have been put in the rental storage space and the baptismal steps will be put in the storage building outside of the church. The Men's Club will clean that building out. Jeff has fixed the sanctuary doors. Incorporating the church will cost less than \$500. Harry Easterling will not charge but it will cost to retitle our properties in our official name. Norm Gehm made the motion to go ahead with this. Jeff Evans seconded. Passed. Paul Branch will be the registered agent for the church. A light is needed in the ladies' restroom. Norm Gehm said he had seen squirrels going in and out of the roof. Mark will have Seales check on this since he has the contract for pest control for the church. Mark will bring a specific recommendation about not renting the church out for use later. He would like for us to consider using the rental house for something instead of renting it out for income.

Finance Committee - Howard Pittman is the new chairman.

Paul Branch - Men's Club - Last meeting had fifteen in attendance. Ben

Gafford spoke. Rocky Brown will put up a sign-up sheet for grass-cutting. This will start the third week of March.

Dianne Stanton -Friends in Christ Circle - There is a woman's retreat planned for April. It will cost \$30.

Missions - Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper is Feb. 20 starts at 5:30.

Worship - Mildred Perkins - Feb. 21 is Ash Wednesday. Service is at 6:00, 5:30 supper, and 6:30 Children's Classes. Easter Cantata is Palm Sunday at 6:00, Easter Sunrise service is at 6:30 AM at First Church amphitheater (Scot Andrews will preach), April 5 is Maundy Thursday, Camp Meeting Days will be every Sunday night in August, Nov. 18 is Homecoming and Heritage Sunday, and we will get the church ready for Advent on Nov. 18 (Soup and Sandwich). Mildred made the motion to have Camp Meeting Days every Sunday night in August and Dianne Stanton seconded this. Passed. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to let Hospice have their Candlelight Service at our church on Nov.15 and eat here. Passed.

Marjorie Pittman - Church fed Naida Singleton's family when her sister passed away. Doris Miller was in charge of this.

Outreach - Helen Driggers - Asked for the shepherd's to let them know when someone is sick. Linda Collins said she would talk to the shepherd's about this.

Kay Knight - Education - Sunday School for January. - Average Attendance was 60 and the collection was \$140.82. Last year the average attendance was 44 in January.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans - Fish Fry is March. Tables will be ordered after that. The price is good for the whole year.

Steve Hodge - MYF - Needs the money for them to be transferred into their account. We will need vouchers for this money each month. They will have fundraisers on two Wednesday nights at the end of this month. They will be doing the meals then.

PPRC - Jeff Evans - They have filled out the forms for Rev. Gafford to come




back next year. And they decided she needs to take more time off.

Linda Collins - Shepherd's - Fred Knight will be giving his testimony on Wednesday night. The second Wednesday in March, Betty and Jeff Evans will talk about their trip to Honduras. Keri Branch will give her testimony in May. Every third Saturday they go to Dundee Nursing Home. The Shepherding Program is on the overhead every Sunday.

March 10 - there will be a Hot Dog Supper and Gospel sing to raise money for the Relay For Life.

Rev. Dora Gafford - \$1200 was appropriated for the Youth. \$600 will be put into their account now and \$600 in June. We need to discuss getting furniture and posters for the youth meeting room and we need to decide what room to use. The Community Thanksgiving Service will be Nov. 18. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to donate \$100 to the Ministerial Association Fund. Norm Gehm seconded. Passed. Sonja will do make up pictures for the church directory. Keri Branch will head up Vacation Bible School. There will be Lenten Lunches at First Church and Dora will be the speaker. On June 21 we will have Life Screening at our church. She asked if we wanted to do the faith promises again. Not many filled them out. She will put them in the bulletin.

We were dismissed with prayer by Rev. Gafford.

Respectfully,  
Betty Evans 

Members present: Doris Miller, Dianne Stanton, Helen Driggers, Kay Knight, Evelyn Smith, Andrea Watson, Mildred Perkins, Marjorie Pittman, Norman Gehm, Rocky Brown, Steve Hodge, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Lamar Freeman, Mark Stubbs, Linda Collins, Paul Branch, Glenn Cowan and Rev. Dora Gafford.

**Council Meeting  
Christ United Methodist Church  
March 12, 2007**

**Glen Cowan called the meeting to order. Jeff Evans said a short prayer and Dianne Stanton gave a devotional titled "When I Say I Am a Christian". Twelve members were present.**

**Betty Evans - Minutes of last meeting. Jeff Evans made the motion to decorate for Advent on Nov. 25. Seconded by Rocky Brown. Passed. Sunrise service is at 7:00 instead of 6:30. Rocky Brown made the motion to accept the minutes as written. Seconded by Marjorie Pittman. Passed.**

**Paul Branch - Treasure's Report. Bus Fund has \$532.64 in it. Souper Bowl money goes to Missions. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept this report. Evelyn Smith seconded this. Passed.**

**Norm Gehm - Lay Leader . Bible Study will start Thursday at 10:00 AM. He has information on the SC United Methodist Laity at Lake Junaluska meeting. He has some cards to pass out if anyone would like some.**

**Mark Stubbs - Trustees. Got the information on incorporating the church. They will work on that this month. Bobbie Sue is heading up working on the church rules. The steps for the baptismal have been put in the storage building. Seales does not check on things like our squirrel problem. Mark will talk to someone else about this problem. If the squirrels have gone, they can put up a screen or put out moth balls. Brett Singleton will know how to get up into the attic of the church. Glen Cowan said he would go up there if someone told him how to get into it. Mark will check with Brett about this. Glen went to Lowe's to replace the parsonage light but the ceiling will have to be patched and repainted if we buy a normal light fixture. Jeff made the motion to buy the normal fixture and Paul Branch volunteered to paint it. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed. George will come patch the floor he just installed for free. Thermostat boxes are no longer on. They will have a Trustee of the month to adjust the temperature. Vinyl siding - we have**

been saving the rent money to have it put on for \$6700. We now have that so Mark will get that started. Mark will ask how much it would cost to do the little building also. Jeff Evans said the projector's S-video cable is broken. He will call to see if we can splice it or if we have to order a new cable. If we have to have a new one he will order it and tell Mark.

**Paul Branch - Men's Club.** Fourteen were present and Rev. Ben Gafford spoke. They will feed the ladies on the Women's Retreat on Saturday night. Their Barbeque is coming up so save your wide mouth jugs for sauce.

**Mildred Perkins - Worship.** The Sunday morning visual aids for Lent are going well. Communion will be March 25. Jeff and Betty Evans will speak on their trip to Honduras on March 14. She put out a signup sheet last Sunday for ushers and greeters. The Easter Cantata will be April 1. She will talk to people about organizing the Easter lilies.

**Helen Driggers - Outreach.** Delivered 16 tapes last month.

**Kay Knight - Education.** Feb. average attendance was 47 and the collection was \$125.99.

**Betty Evans - Best Years Club.** The fish-fry had to be postponed because we did not have enough fish. Will bring it before the board before resetting the date. Betty made the motion for the BYC to have a bake sale April 7. Mark seconded this. Passed. Betty made the motion to collect old eyeglasses to send to Honduras. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed. Betty made the motion for the money from the meal this coming Wednesday night meal be given to the church team for Relay for Life since they were donating their left overs from Saturday. Jerry Kendall seconded this. Passed. Rev. Gafford said someone is willing to pay for someone to get their CDL license.

**Jeff Evans - PPRC.** He will get with Rev. Gafford about the date for the Charge PPRC meeting/

**Glen Cowan - Council Chairman.** Raised about \$350 at Gospel Singing for Relay for Life. The next project is to luminaries for \$10 starting the

**week before Easter. Lamar Freeman has asked if we could devise a plan with Second Baptist and Thomas Memorial to use for pickup if the bus breaks down. Jeff Evans will talk to Denny Costner and Glen Cowan will talk to Jim Wood.**

**Dianne Stanton - Evangelism. We need more shepherds because the church family is growing.**

**Rev. Dora Gafford. The cost of the ink for the copier is tremendous. We should use the copier in the Fellowship Hall for regular things and the copier in the office for main church things. Mark said the service contract is due in May. We need to decide what we are going to do about this.**

**Rev. Gafford dismissed us with prayer.**

**Respectfully,**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Respectfully,".

**Betty Evans**

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
April 10, 2007

Rev. Dr. Dora Gafford called the meeting to order in Glen Cowan's absence. Twelve members, Rev. Gafford and two guests (Lynn Hodges and Jackie Branch) were present. Rocky Brown presided.

Minutes - Betty Evans - Last month's minutes were passed out. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept as written. Second by Norm. Passed.

Treasure's report - Paul Branch - Report was passed out. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept this report. Second by Betty Evans. Passed.

Trustees Report - given by Rocky Brown for Mark Stubbs. 1. New bus rules were read. Thomas Memorial and Second Baptist in favor of helping out if there is an emergency bus problem. Jeff said these rules had too much for the bus driver to do. Norm Gehm made the motion to change the wording on #1A and 2A on page 2 and #7 on page 1 to "this is the responsibility of the group leader" instead of bus driver. This should be amended by the Trustees and a copy sent to the two churches that will help us out. Helen Driggers second this and it passed. (Copy of bus rules attached.) 2. Joiners in the rental house had paid all \$700 for March and with a post dated check paid \$350 (half) of April. They requested for April and May to accept \$500 as their rent. Then on April 15 they would pay \$150 more for April and owe \$500 for May. The Trustees accepted this and they were bringing it to Council. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept Trustees decision. Norm Gehm second. Passed. 3. Rules and Regulations of the church were discussed next. Norm Gehm made three motions: 1.) Revise: put "CUMC members or active constituents" may be able to use the church on page one. \$100 deposit is for the custodial work. This will be refunded after a Trustee has checked the church and it is completely clean. 2.) Users are to obtain prior approval from the Best Years Club Coordinator before any use of any articles in Best Years Club closet. 3.) On the last page change "injuries to supervision" and strike out the last sentence. Marjorie Pittman second. Passed.

Men's Club - Paul Branch. Rocky Brown and Haynes Cain did the last meal. Eleven were present. The lawn cutting schedule is out. They will cut

the grass each approximately twice. Mark Stubbs and Fred Knight and a third person will cut the Gerbasi lawn. The men will feed the ladies at their retreat on Saturday night. They also want a bon fire but it is too dry for that. Rocky has BarBQue tickets to sell and he wants people to get up lists at businesses.

Helen Driggers - Outreach. Delivered 26 tapes this month.

Marjorie Pittman - Nuture. We fed Gene Driggers family after the funeral.

Kay Knight - Education. We need two bulletin boards. One for Lynn Hodges' class and one for the hall. The choir room has a bulletin board in there that could be moved. Jeff Evans made the motion to allow the Chairman on Trustees to use his discrepancy on bulletin boards. Second by Norm Gehm. Passed.

Missions - Howard Pittman said he had received a letter from the McClelary family. They do not know if they will be in Germany next year or not.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. The bake sale on April 7 was very successful. We made over \$700. We have collected lots of old eye glasses for Honduras and those will be sent off this week. Jackie Branch is thinking of getting his CDL license. The new tables have been ordered for the Fellowship Hall. We are in the process of planning a trip to Georgia in October.

Youth - Steve Hodge. He met with the Advisory groups for the Jr. and Sr. MYFs and discussed moving the meetings to Sunday night. Norm Gehm made the motion to let the Youth Director, the parents and the young people decide about the move to Sunday night for a trial period. Second by Howard Pittman. Passed.

Evangelism - Linda Collins. Amanda Graham (April) and Kelly Branch (May) will give their testimonies. Need more shepherds. They need help getting singers for the BarBQue. They are working on something for visitation.

Rev. Gafford - Needs to be first on agenda next month. On Wednesday nights we will be concentrating on the Holy Spirit and on Pentecost. (May

27). There will be more concentration on Songs for Pentecost until then. If parsonage is empty by May 10 we could move the stuff out of storage and put it there. Rocky Brown suggested the Trustees check out the storage room at the rental house.

Norm Gehm made the motion to adjourn. Howard Pittman second. Passed.

Respectfully,

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Betty Evans

Members present: Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Paul Branch, Linda Collins, Lamar Freeman, Steve Hodge, Norm Gehm, and Rocky Brown.

Guests: Lynn Hodges and Jackie Branch

Rev. Dr. Dora Gafford

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
May 14, 2007

Glen Cowan called the meeting to order. Twelve members were present. Jeff Evans said a short prayer. Dianne Stanton gave a devotion titled "Parents Who Drugged Me".

Minutes from the last meeting were passed out by Betty Evans. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept them as read. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed.

Treasure's report - Paul Branch. The Pee Dee Bookstore bill was paid twice. Paul will check on this. (\$97.40) Marjorie made the motion to accept. Mildred Perkins seconded this. Passed.

Mark Stubbs - Trustee Chairman. 1.) Heat and air working good. Most of the units were turned off during the winter but are fixed now. 2.) Someone Donated padded chairs to the choir and they are here. Mike Hamilton was asked about these before these were purchased. Mark made the motion to accept these. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed. 3.) The Sunday School rooms need to have a glass window in each door.. Mark made the motion to get prices for having windows put in our doors or for doors with windows in them and being installed. (Need vent at bottom for circulating the heating and air conditioning.) Rocky Brown seconded this. Passed. Jeff will have Ricky Jacobs contact Mark about this. 4.) Rental house- Joiners do not have a job yet. Rent was reduced to \$500 through May. Mark wants to know if we want to extend this. Evelyn made the motion that the Joiners could stay in the house through June for the reduced price of \$500. Paul Branch seconded this. One opposed. Passed. 5.) Storage building - they will get prices and see what is available. 6.) Old round tables- Betty Evans made the motion to let Antioch Church have all of the old round tables they want free of charge. Rocky seconded this. Passed.

Men's Club - Paul Branch. Paul and Howard Pittman had the meal at the last meeting. Nine were present. No speaker. Discussed BarBQue. Rocky said made about \$5000.

Friends In Christ Circle - Dianne Stanton. They had the Easter Egg Hunt



for the kids. They had the Ladies Retreat and the men fed them on Saturday night.

Elizabeth Williams Circle - Doris Miller. They gave money to the BarBQue and to Relay For Life.

Doris Miller asked how far in the family is the church suppose to go for condolences. Evelyn Smith said, " Spouse, father, mother, or child in the immediate family."

Mildred Perkins - Worship. Mother's Day - gave red carnations to all the women and bud vases to 2 oldest (white) and red to the youngest. Graduation Sunday is May 20. There will be a breakfast and special class for them during Sunday School. May 27 is Pentecost. Wear red. Wednesday night services are to tie into this. Father's Day is June 17 and something will be done for them on that day. Heritage Sunday is in Nov. Mildred asked permission to buy a statue and put in a flower bed in memory of Leroy Perkins. Seconded by Marjorie Pittman. Passed.

Helen Drigger's report given by Mildred Perkins - She has delivered 11 tapes in April. Wants people in church to contact shut-ins. Sidewalks need cleaning after the BarBQue and then she will clean the carpet in the office. Paul Branch will have Tim Branch clean the sidewalk.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. 1.) New tables are in. 2.) Trip planned for Oct. 16-19, 2007 to Atlanta and Helen , Georgia. 3.) Yard Sale is June 2 beginning at 7:00 AM 4.) Our next meal is May 26. Betty asked that a copy of the bus and church rules be given out to the church. Mark will make copies of these rules and will make them available for the church to see.

PPRC - Jeff Evans. Have not met but will soon. A Charge PPRC meeting was held but there was no business.

Lamar Freeman wants a copy of the bus rules.

Rev. Gafford was in Marion at a pre-conference meeting. Glen went over her list with us. 1.) Food Pantry - We will still collect food for the Bread of Life but not to stay at our church because it was staying here too long and some went bad. 2.) June 21 we will have a Life Screening here at our

church. Betty Evans made this motion. Dianne Stanton seconded this. Passed. 3.) Bishop's letter. Will take up four offerings at conference and wants to know if we want to contribute to those. (1- Scholarship for Seminary Student, 2- NETS - to help eliminate malaria in Africa, 3- Advanced Special Ministries, 4-HIV Aids). Paul Branch made the motion to give \$25 to each one. Evelyn Smith seconded this. Passed.

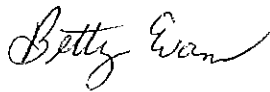
Relay For Life is Friday night and the church is sponsoring a team. (6:00 PM) We need baked goods to sell.

Our church is a Five Star Award winner. (Yeah!)

Jeff Evans made the motion to have the Baltimore Fire Prevention Equipment people to come do a check on our fire extinguishers again. Rocky Brown seconded this. Passed.

Rocky Brown dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members present: Jeff Evans, Glen Cowan, Rocky Brown, Marjorie Pittman, Doris Miller, Dianne Stanton, Evelyn Smith, Betty Evans, Mildred Perkins, Lamar Freeman, Paul Branch, and Mark Stubbs.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
June 11, 2007

Glen Cowan called the meeting to order and Norm Gehm said a short prayer. Fifteen members and Rev. Dora Gafford were present.

Betty Evans passed out the minutes of the last meeting. Paul Branch said Tim Branch did clean the grease off of the sidewalk but will have him check some spots in the parking lot. Mark Stubbs said the renters are in their same situation and they realize they will have to start paying the \$700 rent again after June. Norm Gehm made the motion to accept the minutes as written. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed.

Treasure's report - Paul Branch. Rev. Gafford said the Continuing Education amount is half of what she gets. Christ Church hosted the Ministerial Association. Marjorie made the motion to accept report. Helen Driggers seconded this. Passed.

Howard Pittman - Finance. Will have the half year report next month.

Trustee's report - Mark Stubbs. 1. Doors for Sunday School rooms - Ricky Jacobs has given a bid on doing six doors for \$1200. This price does not include painting the doors. The glass for these has to be tempered with louvered vents on each side of the door. (14x14 glass) They are waiting to get a bid from David Reed. He will ask about the price to replace the glass in the outside door to Fellowship Hall. 2. Parsonage rent. Norm made the motion to go back to the regular amount of \$700 starting in July. Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed.

Men's Club - Paul Branch. Last meeting the guest speaker was from Wycliffe. 35 were present (including the ladies)

Worship - Mildred Perkins. Father's Day is this Sunday and so is the send off for the Salkehatchie group. June 24 is Communion Sunday.

Outreach - Helen Driggers. 17 tapes were delivered this month. She will clean the carpet in the office soon.

Missions - Mary Bach. Had meeting Wednesday and talked about missions. Jeff and Betty Evans met with them and talked about their Honduras trip. Last year the Christmas Eve offering was \$2940 for the Honduras trip for beans and rice. They will probably be in the field four days this February instead of three. Jeff made the motion for the Mission Committee to use pledge cards for people to pledge \$10 per month every month until Christmas Eve for the Honduras fund. Helen Driggers seconded this. Passed.

Marjorie - Fed graduating seniors and their immediate families for breakfast on Graduation Sunday.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. There is a trip planned to Atlanta for Oct. 16-19. We are buying sun visors for Vacation Bible School.

PPRC - Jeff Evans. They met Sunday and discussed problems . (mostly about the youth.) They had four options: 1. Do away with position, 2. Keep it like it was, 3. Keep the position and get another director, 4. Go to all volunteer basis. They decided to recommend to the Council to do away with the Program Director position and go to a volunteer basis. This needs to be organized in July to get things back on schedule as a church family. Linda Collins seconded this. Passed. August 7 is the tentative date for the PPRC meeting for evaluations and budget that that committee is responsible for. Marjorie Pittman, Glen Cowan and the Pastor will get together and decide a date in July. Jeff also said someone wanted to know why the budget was not published. This needs to be put in the newsletter when the budget is done for Charge Conference. Paul suggested to also put a copy on the bulletin board of the yearly and monthly budgets.

Evangelism - Linda Collins. They have discussed visitation. They will meet Thursday night to discuss the Shepherds program. She was pleasantly surprised at all the mission work that we do when she went to Annual Conference.

Jerry Kendall - Historian. We have 275b people on roll.

Glen Cowan - Chairman. He made the motion to let Harold Hudgins use our Fellowship Hall for the training sessions for the spring Men's Emmaus Walk. It will be for three weekends. Marjorie Pittman seconded this.

Passed.

Sunday School report - May average attendance was 46. The offering for May was \$118.67.

Andrea Watson asked why we are not having any Sunday night services? There will be Sunday night services in August.

Norm Gehm asked why we were not having covered dish meals any more? Mildred Perkins said Rev. Tom Williams stopped that.

Howard Pittman dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members present: Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Marjorie Pittman, Andrea Watson, Betty Evans, Jerry Kendall, Mary Bach, Linda Collins, Norm Gehm, Paul Branch, Howard Pittman, Glen Cowan, Jeff Evans, Mark Stubbs, Steve Hodge, and Rev. Dr. Dora Gafford.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
July 9, 2007

Glen Cowan called the meeting to order and Howard Pittman prayed. Thirteen members and Rev. Dora Gafford were present.

Betty Evans - Minutes of the last meeting were passed out. No discussion. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept them. Paul Branch seconded this. Passed.

Paul Branch - Treasure's report. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed.

Howard Pittman - Finance. \$73,00.00 has been collected to date. Apportionments are being paid on schedule. We have already paid 60% for this year. \$600 of the Youth money has been returned to the account. Direct billing on pension has been paid.

Mark Stubbs - Trustees. The bus had a small leak but has been fixed. Cost \$200.00+. Easterling house had to be deplumed because it was stopped up. Wayne Smith did the work for \$450.00. Brett Singleton replaced a unit this week as a gift. There was no charge. We still have a unit that needs some work. Mark Stubbs made the motion to accept the bid from Ricky Jacobs to redo the Sunday School doors and install the glass panes and louvered panels on the doors we already have./ The cost is \$200 each for 6 doors and this does not include the painting. Jeff Evans amended this to add repairing the kitchen door and the pane in the outside door. Mildred Perkins seconded this and it passed. Mildred Perkins asked if we still had the paint for the Fellowship Hall. Bill Sloan wanted to fix the holes in the wall and receptacles. No one knew if there was any. Mark is working on an estimate for painting the sanctuary.

Men's Club - Norm Gehm and Howard Pittman. <sup>Lee Herndon</sup> ~~They~~ served pizza at the last meeting and 16 were present. They discussed Salkehatchie and what to do with the money they had on hand. They gave John Jenkins from Wickliffe \$100.

Evelyn Smith - Women's Clubs- Her circle is not meeting during the summer months.

Mildred Perkins - Worship. They will put sign-up sheets in the bulletins for people to do the acolyte job. This does not have to be a child. It can be an adult.

Helen Driggers - Outreach. Delivered 14 tapes and cleaned the carpet in the offices.

Mary Bach - Missions. They will meet Wednesday.

Marjorie Pittman - Family. Fed the Church wide Planning group. There will be a covered dish following services on the fifth Sunday.

Betty Evans - Best Years Club. We still need 6 more for the trip to Atlanta.

Linda Collins - Evangelism. Had a desert social on June 24 for Shepherds. They will meet on the July 24. Barbara Gehm will give her testimony Wednesday.

Rev. Gafford - In August there will be a district meeting and that is when she will know when our Charge Conference will be. We will need to do nominations and budget before then. We will have the August Camp Meetings on Sunday nights. She has already contacted the ministers. She has asked Jody Flowers and Jeff Dunn but has not heard from them. Others are pending. She had an idea to highlight one family per week from the church family. Missions - Rev. Gafford suggested having a card with all the missions listed on it. Jeff suggested we set goals for the year. We send the Wehorns (Africa) \$125 every month and McClarys (Pennsylvania) \$125 every month from the General Budget for Outreach Missions. (Total \$3000 per year) Dr. Cain's sister in China ever so often is sent \$100 and a missionary in France is sent \$100 per month by the Missions Committee. Jeff Evans made the motion for Paul to write a check out of the General Budget to pay the missionary in France \$100 whenever the Missions Committee did not have the funds. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed. The Jeff Evans made the motion that the church pay \$12,000 for Salkehatchie and Honduras missions together. This is to include any money that comes out of the regular budget and any raised. We will still do the Christmas Eve offering for Honduras. Council will look at it in December and decide how much we send to each place. Howard Pittman seconded this and it passed.

Jeff Evans dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,



Betty Evans

Members present: Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Mary Bach, Linda Collins, Evelyn Smith, Betty Evans, Glen Cowan, Marjorie Pittman, Norm Gehm, Howard Pittman, Paul Branch, Mark Stubbs, Jeff Evans, and Rev. Dora Gafford.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
Monday, August 13, 2007

Rocky Brown presided. Twelve members were present. Norm Gehm opened with prayer and Dianne Stanton gave a devotion titled "The Power of Joy".

Minutes of the last meeting - Betty Evans. Corrections: Lee Herndon served the last meal, Vehorns not Dehorns. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept the minutes. Helen Driggers second this. Passed.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. We will not have to pay SC Conference Insurance or Health and Pension again until October. It was paid twice this month. We have paid 70% of our apportionments. Howard Pittman made the motion to accept this report. Seconded by Mark Stubbs. Passed.

Linda Collins - Evangelism. Dundee visit is third Saturday of each month at 2:30 except this month it will be the last Sat. Kerry Branch gave her testimony the first Wednesday night of this month. They met July 24 and they plan to start a Visitation Team. They will have sign up sheets and they hope to have 12 teams with 2 on each team.

Howard Pittman - Finance. Missions amount changed from \$6,500 last year to \$12,000 for next year. Jeff Evans made the motion to have a fish fry to help raise money for Salkehatchie. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. She has not passed out the acolyte forms. Had planned to have teacher dedication on Sept.2 but does not know if that is still on. Banners are almost ready for dedication.

Family - Marjorie Pittman. Be getting ready to do Christmas boxes again this year. Boxes will be furnished.

Trustees Report - Mark Stubbs. Windows have been installed in hall doors, kitchen door has been rehung, and outside window pane has been fixed. Nursery door - discussion followed about putting a window in that door also. Mark will talk to the Trustees about replacing the door and putting a window in it. Joyner's rent (parsonage) - owe August and half of July. They say they can catch up by middle of Sept. Mark Stubbs made the motion that they get current with their rent by the end of August at \$700 each month. Howard Pittman seconded this. Passed. Jeff Evans suggested Mark make a ledger to keep up with this and have Evelyn call each month when they pay. Vestibule air conditioning unit (in the attic) is out. Brett will have to rent equipment to fix this and it will cost \$4800 to replace it. Jeff Evans made the motion to get two more bids (total of 3 bids). Marjorie Pittman seconded this. Passed. Norm Gehm asked about having the church incorporated. Mark said Easterling is still working on that but he will check on it.



Dianne Stanton - Friends In Christ Circle. Margaret Ann Newton, from Pee Dee Coalition, spoke to their group. They decided to work with them. They gave money to the Men's Club to help with feeding the Salkehatchie group that came, gave money to help with Bible School, and money to John Jenkins of Wycliff.

Paul Branch - Men's Club. Jeff Evans had the meal and had 15 present.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. We now have enough for the Atlanta trip in October. We will have a chicken and dumpling lunch sale in October.

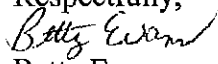
PPRC - Jeff Evans. The Church and Charge PPRCs met last Tuesday. They made recommendations to the Finance Committee on salaries. They had a discussion on Rev. Gafford's travel monies. Antioch will raise their part. Our part is fine. Their next meeting is Oct. 2. Pastor has four weeks of vacation per year and this is determined by the amount of service time.

Outreach - Helen Driggers. Delivered 18 tapes. Twice tapes weren't available. Dianne Stanton suggested we try to get earphones. The old ones are not there anymore. We need a new instruction book for the speaker system. Dianne Stanton made the motion for the Trustees to have the Driggers man from Music Masters in Laurinburg to come train/retrain people, answer questions, and tune up (if needed) our system. Andrea Watson seconded this. Discussion followed. Jeff Evans asked who will line up the people to be trained. Andrea Watson, Dianne Stanton and Jackie Branch were chosen to do this. Motion passed. Mark Stubbs said he would contact Mr. Driggers who lives in McColl.

Jeff Evans asked when Wednesday night suppers were to start back. It was in the Planning Session notes to start Sept. 5. Norm Gehm made the motion that the cost go up to \$4 per person and \$12 per family. Kay Knight will check on teachers.

Pastor's report by Rocky Brown. The pastor will be away on Sept. 16 and Harold Hudgins will be a guest speaker. Do we want to budget an amount to pay him or take up an offering? Howard Pittman said we usually take up an offering as people leave and the Paul writes a check for that amount. Camp Pinehill - We have to pay \$125 rent to use it. Jeff Evans made the motion that the church pay this and the \$3 per person charge. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed.

Howard Pittman dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,  
  
Betty Evans

Members present: Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman, Linda Collins, Helen Driggers, Mildred Perkins, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Dianne Stanton, Norm Gehm, Paul Branch, Mark Stubbs, Lamar Freeman

CUMC - Sept. 10, 2007

Glenn Cowan Called meeting to order.  
Howard Pittman led in Prayer. Linda Collins gave the devotion.  
Minutes of last meeting was passed out - Howard made a motion  
to accept minutes as written - Mark seconded the motion.  
Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report was passed out - Norm made motion to accept  
report - Evelyn seconded - Motion Passed.

Finance Com - Howard Pittman  
Call meeting on Sept 30<sup>th</sup> to Adopt Budget and approve  
Officers and Teachers for year 2008.

Lay Leader - Norm - Everyone needs to bring things through the  
proper channels - Our Pastor.

Trustees - Mark.

Left - Wide  
8 ft - long  
2 ft high  
1 - Jackson - (Bail Break Son) met with trustees - Eagle Project -  
a utility skidder - to park the deer under - and use as the Church  
mudr. Trustees accepted this project - Mark made a motion for  
the Council to accept this project - With no cost to Church - Norm seconded  
the motion - Council Passed.

2 - The Trustees - Voted to stay with Pex War Heating and Cooling -  
go with the Goodman unit - Cost \$4800.00 - Mark made motion  
and Norman seconded - Council Passed - Someone will check with mens  
Club - for the money to pay for unit.

Mark Reported on Parsonage - owed \$2250.00 - Nothing has been paid since July - Mark read a letter to the joyner's to be out of the house by Sept. 14, 2007 - if not the Church will have to take legal action -

Mark made motion to give the joyner the letter - (he would hand deliver tonight) - Howard seconded - Council Passed Motion

Mens. Club - R. L. Poupard the Meal -

Officers for Mens Club

President - Lee Herndon

V. President - Mitchell Watson

Secretary - Rocky Brown

Treasurer - R. K. Rogers

They gave \$1,000.00 - Salkohal.

\$1,000.00 - Henderson

\$500.00 - Shoe Boxes

Worship - Mildred -

Sunday Oct. 7th World Communion Day

Sept 23, teacher dedication and Promotion Sunday -

Mildred said will have banners for hanging soon -

Nov. 18th Homecoming

Nov. 28 - Soup and Sandwiches - decorate for Christmas

Evangelism - Linda Callins -

talked about another Shepherd's Social -

appealed several times for visitation teams - only 3 teams at this time - need 12 teams -

Dora - Bafford - two people to join CUMC on Sunday 9th - she stated we will have some more -

Dora dismissed

Submitted by:  
Marjorie Pittman

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
Called Meeting  
Sunday, September 30, 2007

A church council meeting was called immediately after church. Forms needed to be signed for Charge Conference which is next Sunday afternoon.

The Chairman of the Church Council (Glen Cowan), the Chairman of Trustees (Mark Stubbs), and the Chairman of PPRC (Jeff Evans) needed to sign these. The PPRC had recommended to the Finance Committee to give the minister a 3% increase next year and the Finance Committee was presenting this to Council. Howard Pittman made the motion to accept this. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed.

We have started our "Safe Sanctuary Policy" by putting in the windows in the classrooms. We now have "direct billing".

The parsonage is now vacant. Someone has already called about renting it. There are a few repairs that need to be done first. The woodwork in back of the shower needs to be fixed. Paul Branch will look at this. Norm Gehm suggested we take the next few months to do these repairs instead of renting it.

We will meet at our regular time in October.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
October 8, 2007

Glen Cowan presided. Twelve members and Pastor Gafford were present.

Minutes of the September meeting and a called meeting were given out by Betty Evans. Mildred Perkins made the motion to accept as read. Marjorie Pittman second the motion. Passed.

Treasure's report was given by Paul Branch. Betty Evans made the motion to accept. Evelyn Smith second the motion. Passed.

Howard Pittman gave the Finance report. The budget for 2008 is about \$161,873.15. That is \$3112.95 per week. Howard Pittman made the motion to accept this budget for 2008 when it is finished. Jeff Evans second this motion. Passed. The budget will be published in December or January for everyone to see.

Mark Stubbs gave the Trustees report. The unit in the vestibule is working now. The parsonage is vacant. He had Tim Seals and Wayne Smith to check for leaks in the bathroom and there were none. Woodwork in there needs some work and he will get someone to check on that. It needs painting sooner or later but can be rented as is. Jeff Evans made the motion not to decide about renting the parsonage until after the Trustees meet. Paul Branch second this and it passed.

Kay Knight - Sunday School Superintendent. The average attendance for August was 49 and the offering was \$242.97. Jeff Evans needs a window in his new classroom. They need volunteers for Children's Church for Nov. and Dec.

Mildred Perkins - Worship. Homecoming and Heritage Sunday are Nov. 18. They are asking for old photographs to put up. They need someone to do flyers to put up. Nov. 28 we will decorate for Christmas and have soup and sandwiches. Hospice Candlelight Service will be held here on Nov. 15 and we are to provide a snack.

Betty Evans - Best Years Club. \$1175 was cleared on the Dumpling Dinner. There will be a Bake Sale on Nov. 17 starting at 7:00 AM. We will leave on a trip for Atlanta and Helen, Georgia on Oct. 16.

Jeff Evans - PPRC. They have met and filled out the forms on the pastor and have sent those in. The pastor's consent to return form is due Jan. 15 so it will come out in Nov. Or Dec. Jeff Evans made the motion to have Pastor Appreciation on Oct. 21. This will be a covered dish dinner. Marjorie Pittman second this. Passed. Rev. Gafford will put this in the bulletin. Jeff also said an Emmaus reunion group meets in the church on Saturday mornings. Norm Gehm made the motion to give Sidney McInnis a key to the church so he can open the church for this meeting. Mildred Perkins second. Passed. Jeff also stated that he would like for us to try to get a team together to take to Red Bird Mission in Beverly, Kentucky next year or at least have more to join with the Cheraw group. World Missions apportionments fund this mission in Kentucky. Jeff Evans made the motion for our church to give a check for \$4200 for the beans and rice for the Honduras mission trip. The Men's club has already given \$1000 towards this. Marjorie Pittman second. Passed.

Marjorie Pittman reminded us to be working on the shoe boxes for Christmas.

Rocky Brown said he will resign his position on the Church Council as of Jan. 1, 2008 due to personal reasons. Rev. Gafford said we accept this with regret.

Rev. Dora Gafford thanked everyone for going to the Charge Conference and for serving in their positions. October is Domestic Violence month and the pastors will be trained by Pee Dee Coalition for this at First Church. She asked the church to put in \$50 for this training. Howard Pittman made this motion. Mildred Perkins second. Passed. (Pay to the Ministerial Assoc. of Marlboro County) Pastor Dora also said Mildred Perkins has made a banner to highlight the Sunday School class of the month but we need some criteria. Kay Knight suggested that Dianne Stanton's class be the first to receive this honor. The teacher and students need to be recognized in church. A banner committee was chosen: Kay Knight (chairman), Mildred Perkins, Marjorie Pittman, Kathryn Branch, and Wanda Brigman. This should start in Dec. with Dianne's class. Dora said she would like for each

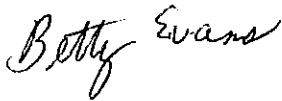
family in the church to have a devotion book called "365 Days Through the Bible". She would like the church to adopt this for 2008 and use this for the Wednesday night services and she could use some of these to preach on. She will check on the price for this.

Mildred Perkins reminded us of Trunk or Treat on Oct. 31. Dora will contact Dianne's circle about planning the games.

Pastor Dora left the room and Jeff Evans talked about Pastor Appreciation. He asked everyone to bring a card or gift as individuals and the church will give some money. He will tell Ben to invite Dora's Father and sister. This will be Oct. 21. Mildred Perkins will decorate for this event and get a card for the pastor. Jeff Evans made the motion to give Pastor Dora \$200 from the church. Norm Gehm second. Passed.

We dismissed.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members present: Mildred Perkins, Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Norm Gehm, Glen Cowan, Mark Stubbs, Andrea Watson, Evelyn Smith, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Kay Knight, Rocky Brown, and Rev. Dora Gafford.

CHURCH COUNCIL  
CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
NOVEMBER 12, 2007

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Glen Cowan presided. ~~Fifteen~~ members, ~~two guests~~, and Rev. Gafford were present. Jeff Evans opened with prayer. Dianne Stanton gave a devotion titled "Grace for the Moment" by Max Lucado.

October minutes - Betty Evans. Howard Pittman made motion to accept. Norm Gehm second. Passed.

Treasure's report - Paul Branch - We have two more apportionment payments this year. Jeff made the motion to accept. Marjorie Pittman second. Passed.

Mildred Perkins - Worship. No pictures have been turned in for Homecoming yet. Banners will be hung Wednesday night after Bible Study. Decorating for Advent will be Wednesday, Nov. 28.

Tim and Kerry Branch - representing the MYF. They have planned a ski trip for Jan. 17-20, 2008 to Boone, NC. Betty Evans made the motion to allow the MYF to go on this trip. They will have to have medical releases. Norm Gehm second this. Passed. Paul Branch said money is coming in for this and we need to decide how to handle this. Jeff Evans made the motion to open an account for this and have Paul sign for it this year. Marjorie Pittman second this. Passed. Paul will put half the allotted money in this account. (Check from the previous MYF account - stopped payment on.)

Marjorie Pittman - Family. Fed Sides family. Hospice Candlelight Service Thursday night at our church. BYC Bake Sale will be here Sat. at 7:00 AM. She will be here at 5:00 on Friday to collect items.

Mark Stubbs - Trustees. The parsonage has hard wood floor damage from a previous leak. Had estimate for repairing this but repair can be done later. Trustees met and discussed use of parsonage. They want to decide on its use month by month. Mark Stubbs made the motion not to rent the parsonage at present but to have it for church functions. Insurance needs to be checked on. Discussion followed. Norm Gehm second this. Rev. Gafford said guidelines and rules would have to be established because of



liability and safe sanctuary. Passed.

Howard Pittman - Finance. Passed out budget for 2008.

Kay Knight - Church School. Average Oct. attendance : 49. October offering :\$160.34. She has not met with group to decide on banner class but will start with Dianne Stanton's class for Dec. Then another class will be chosen in Jan.

Linda Collins - Evangelism. Oct. 28 was the Shepherd's luncheon. Nov. 27 shepherd's will meet with Evangelism Committee. Still need 5 more teams. Have 7 teams now. They talked about updating church brochure.

Helen Driggers - delivered 11 tapes last month.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. Nov. 17 is the Bake Sale to start at 7:00 AM. Dec. 15 is trip to Lexington to see "A Man Called Jesus".

Dianne Stanton - Friends In Christ Circle - fed Pee Dee Coalition Rescue Center a Thanksgiving Dinner. Trunk or Treat was a success. They made sandwiches for the Hospice service. Want to have Souper Bowl that Sunday at the Community Center.

Men's Club - Paul Branch. Norm Gehm was in charge of the meal. Sidney McInnis was the speaker.

Jeff Evans - PPRC. Sam Feazel was at Second Baptist last night and spoke on the Honduras mission. 40 teams had been through that one mission house last year. Over 13,000 proclaimed being saved. Antioch has given \$500 towards this project. He would also like to see a team from our church go to Red Bird Mission in Kentucky next year and request the church pay half of the price for going. He will discuss this later.

Rev. Gafford - The ministers had training with Pee Dee Coalition a few weeks ago. Safe Sanctuary policy is coming to us. We need to collect old cell phones. They can still be used to call 911. We do not have to have another Charge Conference to name a new chairman of council.

Community Thanksgiving is Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church.

Missionary McLeary has sent word that they are in the States and they will

not go back into the mission field. They still need our financial help/ The Christmas Eve donations will go to the Honduras mission. The service is at 6:00 PM. There is a burn out male and female that need furniture and clothes. She will post this in the bulletin. We need to decide what Sunday to do the Faith Promise. Cards will be put in the bulletin on Dec. 16 and 23. Budget will be put in the newsletter, on the bulletin board, and in the bulletin.

Howard Pittman dismissed the council with prayer.

Respectfully,

*Betty Evans*

Betty Evans

Members present?

Mark Skelley  
Marjorie Pittman  
Howard Pittman  
Norm Gilman  
Jeff Evans  
Betty Evans  
Nelen Diggins  
Mildred Perkins  
Linda Collins  
Kay Knight  
Andrea Watson  
Paul Brand  
Evelyn Smith  
Dianne Hatten  
Dun Conlan  
Rev. Dana Pafford

~~Guests~~

Jim Branch  
Kerry Branch

Dec - 10, 2007

Ben Cowan Presided - 15 Members Present - Pastor Hafford Not Present -

Norman led in Prayer - Weave gone duration - "Just a Moment"  
Treasurer's report was given by Paul Branch - "~~Just a Moment~~"

Terry made Motion to transfer the remainder of money into the Youth account -

Norm seconded - Motion Carried

Linda Collins reported on the ~~meeting~~ for Shupards

They plan to do more for Congregational Care - to include the older people.

PPRC - Norman ask about Christmas gifts for staff

Mildred suggested a white table for Pastor -

Norman made Motion to increase each 50.00 - Seconded by - Mildred

Wara - \$300.00

Carolyn \$150.00

Motion Carried -

Blanche Sanchez \$100.00

Mildred - Christmas eve - 6:00 P.M. Service

Helen Driggers - 18 tapes - No Problems

Margaret - Prepared meals for - Sidus Family

" " for Helping Hands Hospice

" " for Hamcoming -

Bake Sale -

Jim - Made Motion - Breakfast with Santa -

They will split money between Youth and Missions

Margaret seconded - Motion - Carried

Mark - reported on problems at the Easterday house -  
had to replace a hot water heater - Wayne Smith put a  
40 gal water heater in -

Problems with Washing Machine drain - Wayne fixed this  
Motion made by Mark to service the fire extinguisher?  
Norm seconded - Motion Carried -

Mark made motion to put window pane in door to Jeff S.S.  
Class - to be in compliance - Jerry seconded - Motion Carried

Howard - have two-3 more Sundays. To ~~bring up~~ must the budget  
for 2007 - last two Sundays - will have a faith promise  
for 2008

Kay Knight - Currence for Nov 54 - Total Money \$176.89  
Kay has not called a meeting with Banner Committee for A.S.  
Kathryn Branch new A.S. Director. Fixed bags for A.S. Children

Jerry - Planning to put pictures of banner in Book - for next Homecoming  
Church membership 266

Diene - feed Pee Dee Collection at Shenandoah -  
need cloths for these people - they will provide a list -  
Friends in Christ Circle - Christmas Party 21st

Don ever not present - ask Alvin to set up Planning Session  
2008 - 12th take down ~~down~~ Christmas decorations - Sang & hand out  
26.. Planning Session

5th Sunday Dec - Singing - With Antioch -

By,  
Margie Pittman

Council Meeting  
Christ United Methodist Church  
Dec. 11, 2007

Jeff Evans opened the meeting . Eight members and Rev. Dora Gafford were present. Paul Branch prayed for us.

Jeff said the cantata was very good. He said our church is growing. The children will sing in church on Dec. 17. Antioch's Christmas program will be Dec. 17 at 5:00.

Betty Evans - Minutes for Nov. and called meeting. We raised over \$3000 for the Salkehatchie work. The bus trip to take the shoe boxes fell through but Howard and Marjorie Pittman took the 103 shoe boxes for us. \$28,300 was actual insurance payment. The check has come. Mark Stubbs was commended on his hard work to get the new bus for us. Hubert Meggs put up the money so we could go ahead and get the bus before the check arrived. Barbara Gehm made the motion to accept the minutes. Seconded by Marjorie Pittman. Passed.

Paul Branch - Treasure's report. Paul had not paid the apportionments when the statement was done so that will show up in Dec. Taxes for the Easterling house is \$1589 and comes out of the Building Fund. This is due in Dec. By mid-February we should have enough income from the renters to do the repairs on the house. Glen made the motion to accept the report. Barbara Gehm seconded. Passed.

Norm Gehm - Finance. The new budget will be presented at the next meeting. PPRC met last Wednesday to evaluate Steve Hodge. They voted to continue him at his present salary with some adjustments to the job. (a little more youth work and better communication)

Mark Stubbs - Trustees. There are still a few issues left with the bus but they will be taken care of soon. The Easterling house has a leak inside but Paul Branch has checked this out. He sealed it around the vent pipe and put stuff on the ridge row. The door into the sanctuary (right side) is splitting and the kitchen door needs to be hung back. Someone will check on this. He has a price on the lettering for the bus. K&J Trophy - \$490 for side and back. Norm Gehm made the motion to allow K&J Trophy to go ahead and

put the lettering on the bus and to take the money out of the General Fund. Seconded by Marjorie Pittman. Passed. Rack for choir robes - Carolyn English gave a drawing and approximate costs for materials - \$200. It will hold the robes and have a cubicle for the books above it for 25 people. Mark Stubbs made the motion of spending up to \$300 on the materials and any more that might be needed Mark will use their funds. Floyd English, Paul Branch , and Glen Cowan will do the labor. Norm Gehm seconded this. Passed.

Barbara Gehm - Worship. We have Candlelight Service on Christmas Eve. Having a yearly plan worked well.

Jeff Evans - Missions. Wants our church to help raise the money to feed the people of Honduras on the mission trip Betty and Jeff Evans are going on in February with the Second Baptist Church. Rev. Gafford suggested using the offering that is taken up on Christmas Eve. It is always used for mission work. Passed.

Marjorie Pittman - We had the soup and sandwich supper with the Hanging of the Greens. The party after the cantata went well. The piano was tuned today.

Betty Evans - Best Years Report . The calendar for 2007 was passed out and Marjorie Pittman made the motion to approve it. Seconded by Barbara Gehm. Passed. The new tables for the Fellowship Hall will be purchased after the new year. The Trustees will need to decide what to they want to do with the old ones.

Rev. Gafford - Do we want to go ahead and incorporate our church for a fee of \$25? Norm Gehm made the motion to incorporate the church. Marjorie Pittman seconded. Passed. The insurance company needs to be notified about Howard Pittman's accident. Paul Branch will take care of this. Rev. Gafford has applications for anyone we know that might need help because of drugs. It is a 90 day program. Rev. Gafford made the motion for getting a Wedding Supervisor to work the days of the rehearsal and wedding and other duties assigned. Right now it cost \$500 for someone to rent the church who is a non-member. The cost would go up to \$600 for non-members - \$100 refundable if they choose to clean up and \$100 for the supervisor. In addition a fee of \$50 can be charged for the Sound System

operator. Mark Stubbs seconded this. Passed. PPRC will advertise for this position on the church. She told Paul not to send in her Dec. personal withholdings but to send in the church's Dec. payment. Rev. Gafford asked if she had any reimbursement money left after Nov. and Dec. could it be used on her education. It was agreed. Dora will be out two weeks after Christmas. The week immediately after Christmas and the first week in January.

Jeff Evans - Quay Adams said he would be in contact in late Nov. about the church becoming a single charge again. He has not heard anything.

Norm Gehm made a motion for the following Christmas bonuses:  
Rev. Gafford - \$250, Carolyn English - \$100, Marie - \$50, and Steve Hodge - \$25. Paul seconded this. Passed. Paul will get cards and let the PPRC Chairman (Gail Cain) present these at the Christmas Eve morning worship. He will mail Marie's to her.

Dora said the January meeting needs to be an extended meeting to do the yearly calendar.

Norm Gehm made the motion to adjourn. Mark Stubbs dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members present : Norm Gehm, Barbara Gehm, Marjorie Pittman, Glen Cowan, Mark Stubbs, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Paul Branch and Rev. Dora Gafford.

CHURCH COUNCIL  
CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
JANUARY 13, 2008

Rev. Dr. Dora Gafford called the meeting to order. Twenty-seven members and Rev. Gafford were present. She gave a devotional titled "Welcome Beginning of the New Year". The Lay Leadership Committee (Nominating Committee) met after charge conference to fill the positions of chairman and vice-chairman of the council. These two people had resigned. Bill Ratliff was nominated as chairman and Dianne Stanton as vice-chairman. Rev. Gafford asked if there were any other nominations from the floor for the year 2008. Howard Pittman moved to close the nominations. This was voted on and passed. Bill Ratliff took over as chairman.

Treasure - Paul Branch: Jeff Evans made the motion to accept. Marjorie Pittman second. Passed. 2008 budget was approved before the conference. Howard Pittman said the budget is just a guideline and it is only for the money that comes in the offering plates.

Evangelism - Linda Collins: We have 22 Shepherds and seven visitation teams.

Missions - Mary Bach: They have 7 people on their committee. Feb. 5 is their one fund raiser - the pancake supper. The table in the vestibule where they are selling tickets will be moved down the hall. Jeff Evans said the Red Bird Mission is Sept. 21-27 and the cost is \$200. He would like a team from our church go. Our church apportionments help sponsor this mission. We used \$4200 for Honduras and \$6000 was budgeted. This leaves \$1800. He made the motion to include Red Bird as one of our missions like Salkehatchie and Honduras and the church pay half of the price to go on this mission. Also for this year only, the \$1800 that was left from the Honduras mission be applied to the Red Bird Mission for supplies. Norm Gehm second and it passed.

Nuture - Marjorie Pittman: We fed the Jimmy Long family.

Worship - Mildred Perkins: Jan. 12 has been set aside to undecorated the church but someone had already done that. There is a workshop Sunday in Dillon for the different chairpersons of the different committees. ( 3-5:30) Our church planning session has been moved to Feb. 2 at 9:00. Feb. 10 is the first Sunday in Lent. Feb. 6 is Ash Wed.

Children - Amy Thomas and Michelle Herndon: Need volunteers to keep the nursery and children's church. They questioned the ages that need to be in there. Rev. Gafford will do some research on this and get back to us. Tim and Kerry Branch will do Bible School.

Youth - Tim Branch: They have a skiing trip this week to Gatlinburg, Tenn. It is completely paid for. They will leave Thursday and return on Sunday. Anyone interested in helping with VBS needs to see them. They want to take the youth to Lake Junaluska this summer. To work at Salkehatchie you have to be 14 by June 1.



Trustees - Jackie Branch: The bus is at the Ford repair place but will be back by next weekend. (less than \$1000) The storage building cost \$80 last year and it has the furniture out of the parsonage in it. He said our fire system needs updating and he will check with the Fire Department about this. Use of parsonage for Sunday School - we will try to all meet in the church instead of having to heat and air condition another building.

Membership - Jerry Kendall: Bill and Pat Ratliff are new members. We now have about 280 members. He will publish a new roster for 2008. Dora Gafford and Betty Evans will meet with the Olan Mills representative on Wednesday about doing a new directory.

Church School - Kathryn Branch: She will be working with the teachers to get new materials to build up attendance. The banner will be given to Dianne Stanton's class first. We have a committee to work on the criterion for the banner. Kathryn will meet with them.

Financial Secretary - Evelyn Smith: \$85,000 pledges were given.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans: A schedule for 2008 was brought before the Council. Jerry Kendall made the motion to accept it. Seconded by Tim Branch. Passed. She will be delegating jobs to people.

Friends in Christ Circle - Dianne Stanton: They had a Christmas party at Herb's. They provided Christmas dinner for the Pee Dee Coalition Shelter. On March 22 there will be an Easter egg hunt from 11:30 until 1:00. On April 11 they will have their second Annual Ladies Retreat at Camp Pine hill. (They would like the men to feed them again.) They still have window stickers for sale. (\$3) They would like the men to take Souper Bowl Sunday over as a project. Pat Altman said Sarah Cousins would like to wash the curtains in the Fellowship Hall by hand and starch them if someone would take them down for her. Tim Branch said he would do this.

Men's Club - Lee Herndon: The Bar-B-Que will be April 25 and 26. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to do away with the entertainment at the Bar-B-Que. Mary Bach seconded this. Passed.

Young Adults - Linda Quick: She and Gail Cain need help with this.

PPRC - Jeff Evans: They met tonight before this meeting and filled out the forms to send to the DS indicating that we would like to have Rev. Dora Gafford to return as our minister. Antioch has done this also. Rev. Gafford will also sign that she would like to return. This year the PPRC chair will be from Antioch - Ramy O'Dell.  
Remy D'Tuel.

Outreach - Helen Driggers: We have a new headset. Jackie Branch will have a training session soon for the sound system.

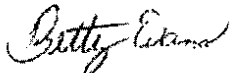
Communications - Betty: Notify me if you have any publicity.

Music Director - Carolyn English: Would like to have a community singing where other churches would be invited to come in and sing -sometime the first part of May. A two-day event. Norm Gehm made the motion to start to work on this. Dianne Stanton seconded this. Passed. She also said she wanted to do a fund raiser for Salkehatchie- a Bar-B-Que chicken plate sale. She will need help with that.

Recording Secretary - Betty Evans: Minutes of the Nov. and Dec. meetings were passed out. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept them. Jerry Kendall seconded this. Passed.

Rev. Gafford: Read the Bible in 365 Days - cost \$14. She will order and we will reimburse the church. Jeff made the motion to order the Max Lucado book 3:16 at \$1.50 each for each family in the church and the extra book that each family would pass out inviting someone to church on Easter Sunday. Jackie Branch seconded this. We will get 125 books for our church. Passed. Confirmation classes will start in February for 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Mary Brown resigned on the Lay Leadership Committee. Kathryn Branch nominated Kelly Branch to fill this position. Jeff Evans seconded this. Passed. Norm Gehm made the motion to adjourn. Jeff Evans dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,



Betty Evans

Members in attendance: Andre Watson, Pat Altman, Dianne Stanton, Amy Thomas, Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman, Michelle Herndon, Lee Herndon, Jackie Branch, Paul Branch, Evelyn Smith, Mary Suits, Linda Collins, Linda Quick, Kathryn Branch, Carolyn English, Mildred Perkins, Mary Bach, Norm Gehm, Janet McDonald, Helen Driggers, Jerry Kendall, Bill Ratliff, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Tim Branch and Rev. Dora Gafford.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
February 12, 2008

Bill Ratliff called the meeting to order and reminded us of our motto "Great in 2008". He read a story titled "What's So Great About Being United Methodist?" and said a prayer. Eighteen members were present. We discussed the sick: Wilma Cowan, Mary and Richard Bach and we were asked to pray for them.

Rev. Dora Gafford said the planning session went well, the Sunday School is growing, and we, as a church, are trying to read the Bible through in a year.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. Report was passed out. Howard Pittman made the motion to accept and Kathryn Branch seconded this. Passed.

Evangelism - Linda Collins. She has mailed out a letter encouraging the shepherds to keep up with the people who are out.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. The altar is decorated for Lent and is beautiful.

Nursery and Young Adults- A list for the nursery through March is already done. Linda Quick and Gail Cain have resigned as leaders of the Young Adult Group (to age 54). Dora will talk to Mitchell Watson about their class discussing this.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept the minutes and Mildred Perkins seconded this. Passed.

Youth - Tim Branch. He and Kerry will go to training this weekend. Pink Flamingo Fund Raiser - pay \$25 to put this in someone's yard or \$10 to get them removed. Feb. 29 they will have a Pray A Thon from 7PM until 7AM. Someone will be praying constantly. They need adults to help. Jeff said any young person who has finished the 9<sup>th</sup> grade can go on the Chrysallis Walk.

Trustees - Jackie Branch. Someone is coming next week to give an estimate on painting the interior of the church. Someone from Pittsburg Paint is coming to fix the vestibule doors. Mark Stubbs gave a quote of \$1500 to fix the bus and Duck Coble is looking at it now to give an estimate. Someone has donated the money for a desk and computer for the office. Jackie will get the stuff out of the storage unit Saturday and we will no longer rent the unit.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. Valentine's Dinner a success. We will have a Fish Fry Plate sell Friday and the money will go toward updating the bathrooms. Howard Pittman is going to be in charge of this project. We want to put hot water in the restrooms, paint and replace some light fixtures, sinks, and vanity, if possible. Howard Pittman made the motion to take the money from the Building Fund if the Best Years Club does not have

enough to do this project. Jerry Kendall seconded this. Passed. (2 abstained)

Membership - Jerry Kendall. The directory committee is updating this information. If there are ever any changes, he should be notified.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. Encourage people to come. Try to get over 60 here.

Friends In Christ - Dianne Stanton. Met Saturday at Magnolia on Main with 8 present. The Women's Conference is May 16-18 at Ridgecrest by Christian Believers United. The Pee Dee Coalition needs help at the shelter. The Easter egg hunt will be March 22 from 11:30-1:00. Youth will hide the eggs. There will be games, an Easter hat contest, decorating eggs. etc.

Men's Club - Paul Branch. Bar-B-Que dates are April 25 and 26. Had 17 at last meeting. Paul Maness spoke.

Jeff Evans said the Honduras team is leaving late next Friday night. His Sunday School class is buying candy to send. (\$50 among them)

Helen Driggers - delivered 15 tapes this month.

Marjorie Pittman said the Community Choir performance will be at 6:00 PM, April 19 & 20 here at our church. Carolyn English will not be here on Palm Sunday so 4 songs from that Easter music will be sung on Easter morning.

Jackie Branch said the Young Adult Sunday School class needs new carpet. The quote runs about \$500. Bill Ratliff suggested trying Larry Geddie in McColl. Jeff Evans suggested getting bids on doing two rooms and the nursery floors. The tape deck messed up Sunday. Jackie will call Music Masters about this.

Rev. Gafford had been asked if Mega Dump could have a meeting here in the Fellowship Hall. Discussion followed. Dianne Stanton made the motion to allow this meeting to be held here. Kathryn Branch seconded this. Motion carried. More discussion. Dora will check more on this. Dianne withdrew her motion and so did Kathryn.

Howard Pittman dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

Betty Evans

Those present: Pat Altman, Bill Ratliff, Norm Gehm, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Linda Collins, Jerry Kendall, Dianne Stanton, Howard Pittman, Kathryn Branch, Marjorie Pittman, Paul Branch, Mary Suits, Jackie Branch, Tim Branch, and Rev. Gafford.

CHURCH COUNCIL  
CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
MARCH 10, 2008

Bill Ratliff called the meeting to order. Fifteen members were present along with Rev. Dora Gafford. She opened the meeting with prayer. Bill will be working the next three meetings so the Vice-Chairman, Dianne Stanton, will preside then.

Treasure's report - Paul Branch. This is the last month to pay on storage unit. Jackie will remove stuff from the storage unit on March 22. Carl's bill was for two months. We paid for the Lay Leaders class refreshments. Mildred Perkins made the motion to accept the report. Marjorie Pittman second. Passed.

Evangelism - Linda Collins. They met Feb. 26 and discussed the Gospel Sing. Linda Collins made the motion to have the Tyner Family come on May 24 or June 7 and the Evangelism team will take up a love offering to pay them. They want to give them around \$400. If the love offering is not enough they want to pay the rest from their budget. Tim Branch second. Discussion followed. Passed.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. Maundy Service is March 20 at 6:00 PM.

Children - Amy Thomas. She is working on the April, May and June schedule for nursery and children's church.

Youth - Tim Branch. The Vacation Bible School material is in and it will be held sometime in June. On March 19 a drama team from Hartsville will perform at our church at 6:30 PM. They are starting a drama team with our youth. They would like to have a Back to School Blast for all age kids.

Family - Marjorie Pittman. Barbara Gehm and Marjorie Pittman are taking plates to shut-ins on Wednesday nights. They are using the leftovers from our church suppers.

Trustee- Jackie Branch. Bus report from Mark. Said Duck has bus to fix. Will only charge \$200 if we are not needed soon. Parts cost \$2000 but may get a cut. Painting inside of church - one bid for this and putting carpet in 5 rooms. Two others did not show up. Will try to get more bids. Jackie made the motion :Kelly and Jackie Branch have volunteered to work with 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders (Club 456) every other Wednesday night. This would free Michelle and Amy up to work with the others. Amy Thomas second this motion. Passed. Kelly and Jackie want to get some material to use for them.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Minutes of the last meeting were passed out. Evelyn made the motion to accept them. Helen Driggers second. Passed.

Best Years Club- Betty Evans. Betty made the motion to have the Best Years Club sponsor a hot dog supper at 6:30 and clown missionary service at 7:30 on

Saturday, July 5. Jackie Branch second. Passed.

Men's Club- Paul Branch. Bar-B-Que tickets are out and they are \$6.00 each. 20 were present at the last meeting. Jerry Kendall gave a history of the Christ Church and Beulah Church. Mildred Perkins came up with the name for Christ Church.

Outreach- Helen Driggers. 14 tapes were delivered last month.

PPRC- Jeff Evans. How much longer do we need to continue Wednesday night suppers? Norm Gehm made the motion that this week be the last week. Howard Pittman second. Passed. One opposed. We will do hot dogs next week if needed because the Hartsville group may want to eat here. Four men and six women are going on the Emmaus Walks that are coming up.

Supplies - Paul Branch. He will put a clip board in the kitchen for a grocery list. We have a courtesy card at Sam's so anyone could get it and get our groceries. Also, the City of Bennettsville Planning Committee has requested for the Country Club to change zone from A1 to A4 meaning they would be able to put a multi-family dwelling out there. This has been tabled for now but will come up again.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. Bathroom remodeling. She will meet with Ricky Jacobs tomorrow to get an estimate and Howard Pittman will get an estimate from Chet Polson.

Jeff Evans thanked the church for purchasing the beans and rice for the Honduras Mission trip in February. We gave out again.

Pat Altman -Friends In Christ. Easter Egg Hunt will be March 22 from 11:30 until 1:00/and there will be a Ladies Retreat April 11-13 at Camp Pinehill.

Rev. Gafford - Do we want to join with First Church at 7:00 to have Sunrise Service or do we want to have one here? Tim Branch made the motion to join First Church. Jeff Evans second. Passed. Antioch will have August Camp meeting on August 3, 10, and 17. Our church will have the service on August 24. Linda Collins will see if the Tyner Family can come then. On August 31 (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday) we will have service and meal at Camp Pinehill starting at 4:00 PM and invite Antioch. Jackie Branch made the motion for the services on August 24 and 31 to take place as above mentioned. Marjorie Pittman second. Passed.

Tim Branch asked for prayer for the school. Prayer was also requested for Norma Moody, Richard and Mary Bach, Ben Gafford, and Eugene Williamson. Bill Ratliff closed with prayer. (Those present: Linda Collins, Evelyn Smith, Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Jackie Branch, Tim Branch, Paul Branch, Pat Altman, Amy Thomas, Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman, Norm Gehm, Bill Ratliff, and Rev. Dora Gafford.)

Respectfully,  
Betty Evans

## Church Council

### Christ United Methodist Church

April 14, 2008

Wianne called the meeting to order. There were 12 members present along with Rev. Kara. Wianne opened with a devotional Prayer Concern - Chet Pelton, Jenie Cowan - Wianne led in prayer.

Treasurer's Report: Paul Branch. Howard made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report - Norm seconded - passed.

Kathryn made motion to accept the minutes - Paul seconded.

Mission: Mary Bach - Mary ask the Church to give some money to help with relay for life - Norm made motion to give \$100.00 - Howard seconded - passed.

Worship: Mildred Pickens - Mildred reminded members - Mothers do and all members were ask to wear red on Pentecost Sunday.

Mildred arranged flower bed - adding a ~~statue~~ statue of an angel in memory of Kelley Perkins.

Youth: Jim Branch. Bible School will be a joint gathering with First United Methodist, Antioch and Christ United.

June 15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> at Christ United. Closing on Thursday night at First Methodist. - The theme will be "Back Party" - There will be a work shop on April 27<sup>th</sup> 3:00 P.M.

Jim made a motion for 2 youth from Antioch to go to Sakhatchie and for the Church to Pay \$100.00 for each child.

Howard seconded the motion. Jim reported about a mission trip to Carolina Beach "Belilee Bay the Sea" - to work on homes and work in the soup kitchen. This will be in July 6-10. Cost - \$295.<sup>00</sup> per person -

Goin' Mille: Good for the Eugene Williamson Family

Jackie Branch - Bus will be ready May + week - a recall on bus. needed pine straw for Church. Jim went to Camp Pine Hill - to see about straw - found cost of straw to 3.25 - A motion was made by Majaine to buy 50 bales of straw and not get what Camp Pine Hill had - Jerry Kendall seconded - Passed

S.S. Kathryn Branch - The banner will be moved in May to be presented on the 27<sup>th</sup> in Church Service.

Elizabeth Williams Circle gave \$100.<sup>00</sup> to Relay for Life

Friends in Christ - There ~~was~~<sup>was</sup> a Ladies Retreat April 11-13. at Camp Pine Hill. With 32 in Attendance. A Thank you to the mensa Club for a good supper Saturday night -

PPRC - discussed paying Worker of CUM - Church -

Youth Director will be pd. \$250.<sup>00</sup> per month - and update job description  
Vacation for Custodian, and Choir Director will be given 2 Vacation



Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
May 12, 2008

Dianne Called the meeting to order - Eleven members were present - Dianne had the devotation and led the group in prayer.

Treasurer's report - Paul Branch - Marjorie made the motion to accept treasurer's report - Mildred seconded - Motion passed

Evangelism - Linda Collins - Mark and Ann Stiebbel visited for Month of May - Shepherd's Meal - May 25<sup>th</sup> 2008.

Worship - Mildred Perkins - There will be a ~~training~~ training session for Acolyte and Crucifer - Mildred & Rev. Dore will set the date for training.

Children - Amy and Michelle will work with Nursery Mark Stiebbel will work with the Children. Mary O'Hanlon & Carolyn will work with them the next week.

Outreach - Helen Briggs - Unable to continue taking tapes to the shut-ins - because of her mother's illness.

Dianne will work with the tapes for awhile

Mission - Mary Back - Not present.

Youth - Jim agreed to accept job work with our youth.

Trustee's - Jackie Branch not present - Rev. Dora states  
the trustee's need to schedule a meeting.

The rug in the Nursery will be taken out and replaced.

Finance - Howard - No report

Jerry Kendall reported our membership is 282

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch - Sunday School doing well.  
need a teacher for grades 9 and up.

Best year - Betty & Jeff Evans - not present -

Best year - meal - Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30

Friends In Christ - reported a new member - Ann Almon -

They gave \$100.<sup>00</sup> to Relay for Life

Mens. Club - had 15 member present - met the Monday night  
before the B-B game.

Rev. Safford - There is a need to re-do the Prayer Chain.

Rev. Dora ask for someone to be in charge of Prayer Chain.

Conference in June - and will be in Florence again this year.

Centioch will be going to Conference this year - Our Church will

give \$50.<sup>00</sup> for - 1. Relief in Kenya - 2. Bible College in Israel -

3 - WMVIM

Rev. Waco stated that Bill and Kathy Sloan would like to  
do Shog lessons. Jerry Kindall made the motion to let them  
give Shog lessons. Kathryn Branch seconded the motion - Passed -

Rev. Waco - Dismissed -

Present, Mildred Perkins

Norm Adams

Andrea

Howard

Mayorie

Jerry

Linda Collins

Kathryn

Paul

Dianne

Rev. Waco -

CHURCH COUNCIL  
CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
JUNE 9, 2008

Bill Ratliff called the meeting to order. Thirteen members and Rev. Dora Gafford were present. "Let's be great in 2008! Do not fear adversity!" Prayer concerns followed.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. We have no more storage building fees. It is empty. Mildred Perkins made the motion to accept the report. Howard Pittman second. Passed.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. Shepherd's Social went well. The church has a lot of new members and children. We need a nursery worker for Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings. Rachel Moody may be interested. We had previously approved to pay someone for Wednesday nights. This would fall under new guidelines and PPRC would have to hire someone. We need to get volunteers for now. Tim Branch will check on Rachel Moody - to see if she is interested.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Marjorie Pittman took minutes for May 12 and April 14. Jerry Kendall made the motion to accept both. Tim second. Passed. Thank you Marjorie!

Lay Leader - Norm Gehm. Duck is working on the bus. Bill Ratliff will go check on it. We need it to take people to Salkehatchie.

Missions - Marjorie Pittman will work on making a new prayer chain.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. She asked if there was any money set aside for the young adults (18 to 55). She and others will fix a meal for them to get a group started like the BYC. Betty Evans made the motion the BYC pay for the first meal. Jerry Kendall second. Passed.

Children - Tim Branch. Vacation Bible School starts Sat. He will go to Second Baptist Bible School to look at stuff they are using. Mark Stubbs is working with other children on Wednesday night. Youth are going to a Water Park sometime. In the Fall, the youth will have "Fifth Quarter", something planned for youth after home football and basketball games.

Trustees - Dora Gafford. They had a meeting after church last Sunday and will meet again on July 11 at 5:30. They will have bids for painting and carpet. Kathryn Branch made the motion to go ahead if we have a motion for \$10,000 or less. Jerry Kendall second. There is termite damage in the ladies restroom in the sanctuary that needs to be repaired while the painting is being done. Dora got a bid on carpet from Geddie's . Installation is \$130 per room. Carpet for 5 classrooms is \$1000. This would be a total under \$2000. Bill said we need to have carpets commercially cleaned. Norm Gehm said the Power Point is broken again. Dora said she would talk to Tim Branch about this. Norm also suggested enclosing the sound system to keep people out that have not been trained to use it. Dora will ask the Trustees to check on this. Dianne Stanton will have Praise music books at the next meeting that we may choose to buy. We need one with a CD. Betty Evans said there is a brand new printer in the extra office (sanctuary) that need to be used. It was purchased with the laptop.

Finance - Howard Pittman. We support Ron VeHorn (Africa) and McClarys (Ethiopia). Wycliff sent a letter to let us know the McClarys are no longer doing this. Howard made the motion to send our June and July payments as usual. Norm second. Passed. "Rural Life" and Epworth were also mentioned.

Historian - Jerry Kendall. We have 286 members. He wants to include the angel in our history. It is in memory of Leroy Perkins.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. Older teens and college kids need a teacher.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. We made \$815.85 on the yard sale. On July 5, we will sponsor Bombin, the clown. Hot dogs at 6:30 and clown at 7:30. We are waiting on Chet Polson to get better and then he will start to work on remodeling our restrooms.

Men's Club - Paul Branch. The ladies joined them at the last meeting. Had 33 present. Sidney Rogers spoke. They will feed Salkehatchie group on June 28. Made about \$8000 on BarBQue.

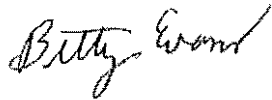
Rev. Gafford - The job description for the Youth Director is completed and she has gone over it with Tim. PPRC needs to meet and approve it. Jackie

and Kelly Branch have agreed to work with the younger youth group at least by Fall. We are working on a way to make the Wednesday night meals more cost efficient to offer them free. We will try this for the first 3 months when we start back in Sept.

PPRC - Are getting ready for Charge Conference. The week after VBS, Dora will be on vacation. Norm Gehm is on standby for this Wednesday night because Dora has been called to jury duty in Columbia.

Dora dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members present:

Mildred Perkins, Andrea Watson, Betty Evans, Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Norm Gehm, Dianne Stanton, Tim Branch, Paul Branch, Kathryn Branch, Jerry Kendall, Evelyn Smith, Bill Ratliff, and Rev. Dora Gafford.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
July 14, 2008

Bill Ratliff opened with "Keep Marching On" and prayer. Twelve members and Rev. Gafford were present.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. We are on schedule with apportionments. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept. Kathryn Branch second. Passed.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. Tyners will be at our church August 24. Camp Pinehill - August 31 for picnic. It starts at 4:00 PM. Kathryn Branch will arrange this with Camp Pinehill. Janet Sides is taking up the Friendship registers every Sunday after church. There is a visitation team. Tim Branch talked to Rachel Moody about keeping the nursery. She will finish at Camp Pinehill in August. She can come talk to Rev. Dora and then PPRC.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. Will have meal for younger adults (18 - 55 yrs. Old) on July 26. Pool party at Paul and Kathryn Branch's.

Youth - Tim Branch. Aug. 16 - Rembert Rogers will play at First Methodist Church - may have a talent show. They are still planning "Fifth Quarter" - after home football and basketball games. Mark Stubbs took the youth out last week on his boat. Thanks Mark! They want to go White Water Rafting but are waiting on prices.

Family - Marjorie Pittman. Prayer chain has been established.

Trustees - Mark Stubbs for Jackie Branch. Bus should be back by next weekend. Mark will check it out before bringing it back to the church. Painting inside of church - Allen Pruitt's estimate - not over \$9500. his. He does not have Workman's Comp. but has General Contractor's Liability Insurance (\$250,000) and Medical Insurance up to \$10,000. Mark made the motion to go ahead and paint using Allen Pruitt. Dianne Stanton second. Passed. Dora will talk to him. They have a bid on purchasing and installing carpet in the five classrooms if there is money left to do this. This will be addressed again after the painting is finished. Outside clean up day will be Aug. 9. Bill Ratliff said we need to have sanctuary carpet cleaned commercially. Tim Branch will talk to Sully Blair about the Power Point. Air conditioner in sanctuary has been fixed by Bret Singletary.

Finance - Howard Pittman. Will meet July 27 at 5:00 - see him about needing money in next years budget. McClarys are in Pennsylvania. We had agreed to pay them for June and July. Howard will bring information

next month on what they will be doing.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. Tim Branch will teach older youth and college age students. Banner will be moved the first of August. Linda Collin's class - the Jr./Sr. Adult class will get it then. We need to move the TVS out of the classrooms or get tables to put them on. (not on floor) Kathryn ranch made the motion to purchase stands if they can't find something suitable for them. Dianne Stanton second. Passed. Dora will check on this. Dianne said there was a lot of old literature in the church. Friends In Christ circle will help Kathryn go this on clean up day.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. Chet Polson will start work on both restrooms in the hall soon.

Friends In Christ Circle - Dianne Stanton. Have 4 new members.

Mens Club - Tim Branch for Lee Herndon. Had about 15 present at last meeting. They talked about feeding Salkehatchie.

PPRC - Dora Gafford. They will meet this Sunday. (July 20)

Communication - Betty Evans. Directory - Just got back the last of the pictures.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Dianne Stanton made the motion to approve. Kathryn Branch second. Passed.

Jeff Evans - Red Bird Mission in Kentucky. Methodist Church sponsored. We have \$1800 left over from Salkehatchie mission. Twelve are going from our church. Each has to pay \$230. (Church pays half of each.) Jeff made the motion for the church to use a total of \$3400 for this mission. Howard Pittman second. Passed.

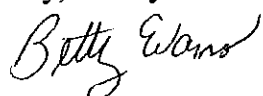
Rev. Gafford - Missions Committee. They will put out an envelope for Contributions instead of standing at the door. They will do promotional literature listing all the missions and explaining them. They will divide this into local, conference, foreign, and miscellaneous groups. Kay Knight asked for \$3500 to furnish a kitchen at the satellite center for Pee Dee Coalition. Dora will check on the specifics of this.

Dianne Stanton - Praise and Worship music - motion to purchase 25 words only books (\$4.99 each), a CD (split track (\$59.99)) of "All the Best Songs of Praise and Worship" Vol. II - not to exceed \$200. Tim Branch second. Passed.

Rev. Gafford dismissed us with prayer.

(Members present: Mildred Perkins, Bill Ratliff, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Dianne Stanton, Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman, Kathryn Branch. Mark Stubbs, Tim Branch, Paul Branch, Norm Gehm, and Rev. Gafford)

Respectfully, Betty Evans





Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
August 11, 2008

Bill Ratliff called the meeting to order and read "What's So Great About Being A Methodist?" Then he lead in prayer. Rev. Dora and nine members were present.

Treasure Report - Paul Branch. Jackie Branch made the motion to accept report and Mildred Perkins second the motion. Approved. Paul said the painter was paid but we still owe \$800 for the paint.

Trustee Report - Jackie Branch. They purchased a vacuum cleaner and Gaylan Floyd paid for it. It will cost \$1700 to carpet the six classrooms, \$1250 for paint and painting the six classrooms, and Arthur Hamer will clean the carpet in the sanctuary for \$798. Paul Branch made the motion to paint and carpet the six classrooms and the clean the carpet in the sanctuary. Marjorie Pittman second. Approved. Howard made the motion to paint first. Kathryn second. Approved.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. Promotion Sunday will be September 7. There will be another training for acolytes soon.

Mens Club - 16 were present at last meeting. Speaker was Bruce Skipper and Jeff Evans served the meal.

Jackie Branch stated Jackson Ferdon has enough money to purchase the shelter for the bus. The Trustees will look and advise the best place for it to be put.

It cost \$2600 to fix the bus. He did not charge for his time. Paul suggested a letter of appreciation and a receipt for tax purposes be written to Mr. Coble. The \$2600 will be taken out of the General Fund.

The Trustees will discuss whether to sell the bus and buy a 15 passenger bus.

Finance - Howard Pittman. The committee worked on the budget and will meet soon to complete it.

Children - Tim Branch not present. Tim and Mark are having a "Back to School" party at the Branch's on Wednesday, August 13.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. Promotion Sunday is first Sunday in September. Tim Branch is teaching the ninth grade - college age class. The banner will be presented the first Sunday in September.

Rev. Dora-

A. Complete budget

B. Rev. Dora and Tim Branch have been working on the telephone bill (less with more)  
Potential - wireless - power point.

Camp Meetings in August have been very successful. (1<sup>st</sup> Sun. - 100, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. -122)  
August 24 is Singing at CUMC and August 31 is picnic at 4:00 at Camp Pinehill.

Rev. Dora reported on the progress with the youth program - by combining three churches. An add will be put in the paper "Post Game on Main". This includes grades 7 through 12.

Rev. Gafford will be on vacation August 18-21.

Homecoming is Nov. 16.

Planning meeting for next year will be the second Saturday in September. Will plan for six months. Will have a light lunch.

Rev. Dora dismissed with prayer.

Submitted by,  
Marjorie Pittman

Members Present:

Mildred Perkins, Jackie Branch, Paul Branch, Kathryn Branch, Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Bill Ratliff, Helen Driggers, Andrea Watson and Rev. Gafford.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
September 8, 2008

Bill Ratliff opened by reading "What's So Good About Being A United Methodist?" and prayer. Fourteen members were present.

Minutes for July and August were passed out. Dianne Stanton made the motion to accept them. Helen Driggers second. Passed.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. Everything is paid to date. 80% of apportionments have been paid. Howard Pittman made the motion to accept. Mildred Perkins second. Passed.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. Elsie Graham and Nancy Goodwin are new members of Evangelism Team. Tyners and Seventh Day were enjoyed. Offering paid \$400 for Tyners and \$100 to Seventh Day.

Lay Leader report for 2008 Conference was presented by Bill Ratliff. Things that need to be added to report: Outreach, Vic-Chairman, Elizabeth Williams Circle, PPRC, Young Adults. Bill will check on this and about Carol Hutchins who has moved. Dianne Stanton made the motion to accept with above changes. Marjorie Pittman second. Passed.

Worship- Mildred Perkins. Nov. 16 is Homecoming. Dianne said we have more new acolytes but we will have to have another training session. Rev. Dora will have to decide on a time for this.

Children - Tim Branch. Rachel Moody will start Wednesday night being our nursery worker. She already has a Sled check because she already works for a nursery. She will work two hours Sunday and two hours on Wednesday but will be paid for five hours weekly. Evelyn Smith made the motion she be paid \$8 per hour = \$40 per week. Paul Branch made the motion that this be in effect pending PPRC approval. Dianne Stanton second. Passed. Jackie and Kelly Branch, Mark Stubbs, and Carolyn English will start working with the younger children on Wednesday nights this week. The schedule will be on rotation.

Youth - Tim Branch. Post Game on Main needs help from all the churches - money and chaperones. There will be an ad in the paper. A police officer has been hired for \$25 per hour. Seventh Day band will play. It will be from 9:30 - 11:30. T-shirts will be available. Youth Sunday is Oct. 19. They will do the service and want to have a meal afterwards. They are trying to raise money to go tubing in Gatlinburg in Jan. They will be selling collard sandwiches at the Arts Festival in Nov. Want to have a car wash Oct. 5. They are working on a play for Christmas. They will help get the shoe boxes ready.

Family - Marjorie Pittman. Fed Keating family. Bought meal for Bradshaw family.

Trustees - Bill Ratliff said the carpet in Prayer Chapel need replacing. Tim will tell Jackie. Duck Coble (James Parnell) needs to be sent a letter of appreciation and a receipt for tax purposes for repairing the bus. Paul will talk to Mark about this. Dianne asked if anyone has done anything about the Power Point? No one has done this. Haynes Cain said the bus shed will be in soon. It will be put on the asphalt by the shed next to the flower bed.

Finance - Howard Pittman. All salaries were increased 3%. There is \$41 difference in the apportionments. Budget is \$9075 over this years. Weekly needs - \$175 more. Money to pay nursery worker will be taken out of children's section of the budget. Bill Ratliff wants to check thermostats. All need to be locked or time set. He will talk to Bret Singletary. Howard Pittman made the motion to accept the new budget. Dr. Cain second. Passed.

Sunday School - Paul Branch gave Kathryn's report. Attendance is about the same. Linda Collins' class got the banner.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. Will be going to Niagara Falls in Oct. We have finished remodeling the restrooms. We paid - \$1600 and the church paid \$545.60. Chet Polson did the work. We will still be putting a changing table . It will cost about \$200.

Communication - Betty Evans. Directory rough draft will be mailed tomorrow. Have put in the paper about the Tyners coming. I will put anything else in the paper if people will let me know what they need.

Friends In Christ - Dianne Stanton. Oct. 5 will have a parking lot yard sale. People are invited to come and sale and give 10% of their sales. There will be a Women's Retreat at Camp Pinehill for one night. Rev. Dora Gafford will lead this. Friday, Oct. 31 we will have Trunk or Treat in our parking lot from 6 to 8. We will not feed them this year.

Men's Club - Paul Branch. 13 members were present at the last meeting. Homer Leviner spoke.

Outreach - Helen Driggers. Delivered 12 tapes. Gordon and Lynn Driggers need someone to help hook up a cassette player. Bill Ratliff will take care of this. Tim will check way to do CD instead of cassette.

Question asked: Do you have to be a member of the church to teach Sunday School? Yes. The Christmas musical will be Dec. 6 & 7 or Dec. 20 & 21. Planning session is St. Sept. 13, (9:30 to 12:00) There will be a light lunch. Howard prayed and we were dismissed. (Members: Bill Ratliff, Howard & Marjorie Pittman, Helen Driggers, Betty & Jeff Evans, Dianne Stanton, Evelyn Smith, Paul Branch, Tim Branch, Norm Gehm, Andrea Watson, Haynes Cain, & Mildred Perkins.) Respectfully, Betty Evans

*Betty Evans*

Church Council  
October 13, 2008

Rev. Dora Gafford opened the meeting with prayer. Bill Ratliff told about Charge Conference. There was a good attendance and we had paid all of our apportionments.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Minutes of the last meeting were passed out. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept as written. Mildred Perkins second. Passed.

Treasure Report - Paul Branch. The money for the bus shed has been taken out of the bus fund (the money that was put in it for that purpose). This left a balance of \$276.13 in the bus fund. Howard Pittman made the motion to accept the report. Helen Driggers second. Passed.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. Have started visiting on Monday nights about 6:30.

Worship- Mildred Perkins. Trunk or Treat is Oct.31 from 6-8. Nov. 16 is Homecoming.

Youth - Kathryn Branch reported. Post Game on Main is going well. Car wash on Oct. 4 made \$150. Jackie & Kelly will be working with 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, & 6<sup>th</sup> graders every other week on Wednesday nights. They have 8-5 coming. This Wednesday they will be going to the corn maze. There is money in the budget for the Youth.

Pastor Appreciation - Jerry Kendall. They will announce to the church on Oct. 19. It will be on Nov. 2. Jerry made the motion to purchase an Advent stole for Dora and have people bring cards which Helen Driggers will take up. Dianne Stanton second. Passed.

Trustees - Jackie Branch. In process of getting carpet for the Sunday School rooms. Bill Ratliff suggested having it put in the prayer chapel also. He will check on a 15 passenger bus.

Finance - Howard Pittman. We are doing ok with our budget but reminded us that the economy may have an effect on everything including our church. Kathryn said she would like to cook the meat for Wednesday nights and have volunteers to do the rest. She will do the menu.

Membership - Jerry Kendall. We have 287 members. He will add Cody Stanton. He will write minutes about statue which was placed in memory of Leroy Perkins.

SS Superintendent -Kathryn Branch. Average attendance -53.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. There is a trip to Niagara Falls Oct. 20-24. I will be resigning as coordinator of the club as of Jan. 1, 2009. We have a trip planned for Dec. 4 to go shopping, to the Billy Graham Library, and to see a Dinner Theater in Ft. Mill, SC. The Bake Sale is Sat. Nov. 22, 2008.

Communications - Betty Evans. The directory proof is in. We are working on it but are waiting on a few things. Hope to send it back this week.

Friends In Christ - Dianne Stanton. Trunk Sale was good. Money will go the Emergency Missions. Dora Gafford, Dody Kendall, and Kathryn Branch are the committee for this. There will be a Ladies Retreat Friday night until Saturday lunch at Camp Pinehill. Trunk or Treat will have security - Oct. 31. They will play games but not feed.

PPRC - Jerry Kendall. Will be getting evaluation forms soon. They are due by Dec. 3.

Outreach - Helen Driggers. Delivered 7 tapes. People need to let her know who is sick or in need of these tapes. Jackie will check on dock to make CDs. We already have \$200 towards that already. Then we need to get a duplicator. That could also be used by the choir. Jackie will also check on Power Point also - with Music Masters. They have already taken measurement.

Rev. Gafford - We have taken in 17 new members, 3 have transferred out, and 3 died. Cody Stanton will be restored as a member. Safe Sanctuary - due by Dec. 31. This includes background checks, windows in doors, Jackie will need to keep up with the fire extinguishers being checked. We just had a walk through with new insurance company. NCD (Natural Church Development) - after first year it will cost \$100 for survey. 30 people will do this. They will rate things from the strongest points to weakest. Men's Club - need to look at keeping the grounds better. Budget for next year - Insurance/pension - Antioch will pay 20% but Paul has already paid 100%. Antioch will reimburse our church their 20% (about \$2900). They will receive a bill for their 20% next year. Easterlings will be relocating back to Bennettsville and wanted to look at the parsonage to rent month to month. They will look at it this Wednesday. Dora will talk to Tim about this. There will be a meeting Monday, Nov. 17 to discuss what to do about the Best Years Club coordinator position. Weddings - we do not rent to outsiders.

Evelyn Smith - Thompsons missed a payment last August (2007) and have not made it up. Dora will talk to them about this.

Andrea Watson - Is there money in the budget for Young Adults? Yes. Dora will find out about that and let Joy & Gray know.

Paul Branch made the motion to adjourn. Jerry Kendall second. Norm Gehm dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,



Betty Evans

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
Nov. 10, 2008

Bill Ratliff opened the meeting with story from the Upper Room. Prayer requests were given and prayer followed. Eleven members and Rev, Gafford were present.

Minutes of the last meeting were passed out by Betty Evans. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept them as written. Mildred Perkins second. Passed.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. The trip to Niagara Falls went well with no problems. On Dec. 4, there will be a trip to Concord Outlet Mills, the Billy Graham Library, and to Ft. Mill to Narrowway Productions to see a Christmas performance. There will be a bake sale on Nov. 22.

Communications - Betty Evans. The directories are in and were given out this passed Sunday after church.

Treasure's Report by Paul Branch. Dora will check on AT&T bill. Apportionments for this month have not been paid yet. He is waiting on the last bill. Dora has given the figures to Antioch on how much they will need to repay our church but she has not heard anything from them about this yet. Betty Evans made the motion to accept the report. Second by Kathryn Branch. Passed.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. Nov. 16 is Homecoming. Dora suggested setting the tables in the hallway. 10:00 Saturday to set up tables and the altar. Betty will put Homecoming and county-wide Thanksgiving Service in the newspaper. The Thanksgiving service will be on Nov. 23 at 7:00 PM. Jackie Branch suggested we go ahead and make plans for our guest speaker for our next Homecoming. Saturday, Nov.29 is when we need to meet to decorate the church for Advent. There will be soup and sandwiches following this. The Christmas cantata will be on Saturday, Dec. 20 and Sunday, Dec. 21. Following the Sunday night performance there will be refreshments and Santa.

Youth - Tim Branch. Have one more week of Post Game on Main. Have at least 50 kids that go. Church Youth group averaging about 20/ They have officers and are working on a play for Christmas. The T-shirts should be in by Friday.

Trustees - Jackie Branch. Carpet and tile should be finished by end of week. Bus- Mark Stubbs is checking on a 15 passenger bus but will not be able to trade in. We will have to sell what we have. Paul asked about having a class on CDL. Projector - Jackie checked on this. (\$7 - 10,000 to get new projector and go wireless. Tim Branch will ask Bobbie Norris to come check on this and give a price to go wireless.

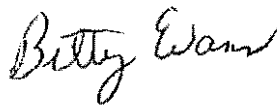
Sunday School Superintendent - Kathryn Branch. A Teen class has been started. Average attendance is 56.

Outreach - Helen Driggers. Delivered 8 tapes. Would like someone to check on prices of something to record Cds. Chet Polson said he could install. Jackie Branch will check on this.

Rev. Gafford - Our next meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 9. The DS will be meeting with Bill Ratliff and Jerry Kendall and others on that Monday night. She has a check for \$227.20 that needs to be deposited from the Prime Time Account. Faith pledges need to be done. Can be put in nativity on January 4. Discussion followed. It was decided that the pledge cards would be given out with the newsletter on Jan. 4 and returned Jan. 11. The next planning session is Jan. 24. Wednesday nights in December - did not do suppers last year but had Bible Study. On Dec. 17, we will go caroling from 5:30-7:00. Then we will have soup and sandwiches. Next week we will start classes at 6:00. Dec. 25 Wednesday night is cancelled.

Jeff Evans made the motion to adjourn. Mildred second. Rev. Gafford dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members present: Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Bill Ratliff, Andrea Watson, Pat Altman, Kathryn Branch, Paul Branch, Tim Branch, Jackie Branch, Rev. Gafford.



Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
Dec. 9, 2008

Bill Ratliff opened the daily devotion from the Upper Room. Twelve members and Pastor Dora were present. Prayer requests were given and Jeff Evans prayed.

Minutes- Betty Evans. Minutes of the last meeting were passed out. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept. Helen Driggers second this. Passed.

Treasure's report - Paul Branch. We still have to pay \$3180.78 for the carpet and linoleum. Apportionments are all paid. Antioch will soon be reimbursing us for their part of the apportionments. Taxes on the rental house are due this month. Mildred Perkins made the motion to accept this report. Jerry Kendall second. Passed.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. Christmas Eve there will be a Candlelight and Communion Service starting at 6:00 PM. The Christmas cantata will be presented on Dec. 20 & 21.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. On Dec. 4 they traveled to Concord Mills in Charlotte, N.C. for shopping, then to the Billy Graham library, and finally to the Narrowway Theatre in Fort Mill for a Christmas show. The last dinner for the Best Years Club was held. Betty Evans has resigned as coordinator of the group.

Communication - Betty Evans. We have given out most of the directories for those who has their pictures taken. We still have some left. The new church brochures are in.

Youth - Tim Branch. 133 shoe boxes were delivered to Charlotte this past weekend. They are being sent to India. They have signed up to work at the distribution center next year. There will be a Breakfast With Santa on Dec. 20 (8-11) in the fellowship hall. They need volunteers. State Farm (Sully Blair) has promised to provide whatever is needed after donations. The youth will do the morning service on Dec. 28. Dec. 31 the youth will go to a New Year's Eve Service at First United's gym. Post Game on Main is still going on. It will be held on Jan. 30 and Feb. 6 after basketball games. They will go to the Winter Jam in Fayetteville on Jan. 10. They have had to move to the front part of the parsonage for their meetings because they are growing.

Trustees- Paul Branch for Jackie Branch. Bret McDonald wants to hold a Blood Drive at the church on Sat., Feb. 7 for his Eagle Scout project. Jeff Evans made the motion to allow this. Pat Altman second. Passed. Bobby Norris is fixing a proposal for going wireless using the equipment we already have. Bus- Jeff Evans said the people interested in getting their license to drive need to get a health exam and then he will have a class for them.

Outreach- Helen Driggers. She delivered 7 tapes.

PPRC- Jerry Kendall. Made the motion for his committee to give the 5 church employees the same Christmas bonus as last year. Pat second. Passed. We now have 285 members. A new register will be ready Jan.1, 2009.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. Their next meeting is Dec. 23. They are doing visitations on Monday nights to shut ins. Friends in Christ are selling Christmas balls for \$5 to raise money for the Relay for Life Team. They would like to have a self-defense class and are checking on this.

Andrea Watson - made the motion to have a free Stroke Clinic at our church on Jan.31. It would be open to the county and last from 10:00 to 2:00. Tim Branch second. Passed. Jeff Evans - There will be an Emmaus Gathering Friday. We will take the church bus and leave from the church at 5:30. We will stop to eat on the way. Janet Sides will be giving the Fourth Day talk and Pastor Dora will do the follow-up. The Christmas Eve offering will go to the Honduras mission.

Pastor Dora Gafford - Jerry Kendall, Bill Ratliff and the pastor met with the DS last night. Discussion followed on our "Safe Sanctuary Policy". Page 2 - our nursery worker is only 19. Should we drop the age to 18 or insert a paragraph about their training? Dora made the suggestion to drop the age to 18 and maybe have training later for teen volunteers. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept the policy with the age changed to 18. Norm Gehm second. Passed. Stewardship - pledge forms will be given out on Jan. 4 and taken up on Jan.11. On Jan. 20 there will be a church planning session from 9 to 12. Sonny Hall has requested to have the Lay Speaking class at our church on Feb. 15, 22, and March 1. He will be allowed to use the church for this but will be asked to provide their own refreshments. Pastor Dora will call him about this. She will be on vacation and will not be here Dec. 28. Poinsettia donations of at least \$10 instead of real flowers will be collected this year for the Mission budget.

Andrea Watson made the motion to adjourn. Pastor Dora dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,



Betty Evans

Members Present: Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Pat Altman, Dianne Stanton, Tim Branch, Jerry Kendall, Norm Gehm, Paul Branch, Bill Ratliff, Andrea Watson, and Pastor Dora Gafford.

**January 12, 2009**  
**Christ United Methodist Church Council**

Bill Ratliff called the meeting to order and read a short devotional. Sixteen members were present.

Treasure's Report -Paul Branch. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept. Dianne Stanton second. Passed.

Missions - Jeff Evans. Met Wednesday. Will meet on Wed. afternoons from now on. They request three things; 1.) Want to put missions bulletin boards up in the hallway. Paul will check on how much the missions committee can or has to spend. Someone from the Missions Committee will do the children's moment on Mission Sunday each month. Jeff made this motion and Dianne Stanton second. Passed. 2.) Want to make a decision on how much money will be sent to Honduras. Budget has \$3000. Needs to be in by second week in Feb. Jerry Kendall made the motion for \$3000. Howard Pittman second. Passed. 3.) Want to have a Red Bird Mission Team from our church. Jeff Evans made the motion. Jerry Kendall second. Passed.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Minutes of the last meeting were passed out. Howard Pittman made the motion to accept. Marjorie Pittman second. Passed.

Best Years Club - Betty Evans. A new picture has been hung in the ladies' restroom. Dody Kendall put it together. (puzzle)

Communication - Betty Evans. Breakfast with Santa article will soon be in the newspaper.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. Planning session will be Jan. 24. They are going to have a training session for acolytes, etc.

Youth - Tim Branch. (report sheet) They have already applied to work Sat. & Sun. next year in Charlotte for Christmas Shoe Boxes. They have hooked up cable to the parsonage for 1 month to watch the Super Bowl. Projector in sanctuary needs to be moved behind light fixture and fixed so the cable will not break. Jeff Evans made the motion to allow the Trustees to do a study on this and report back to Council next month on the projector and recorder. Jerry Kendall second. Passed.

Carolyn English - Homecoming Celebration - want to invite people from the community to participate. Dianne second this. Passed.

Finance - Howard Pittman. Two circles raised \$5000 last year. Wants Trustees to investigate buying the Pearson home. Jerry second. Passed. Dora will take care of mailing the shut-ins a copy of the budget in the Informer along with a pledge card.

Historian - Jerry Kendall. 17 new members last year. Lost 9 last year. New total is 285. (3 by baptisms and 5 in confirmation) He will have a book out at Homecoming that will give the history of the church.

PPRC - Jerry Kendall. Met and recommended for Rev. Dora Gafford to return another year. She accepted.

Sunday School Superintendent - Kathryn Branch. Average attendance - 55.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. Linda Collins and Janet Sides are doing the visitation for January. Elsie Graham, Wanda Brigman and herself will do it for Feb. (Monday nights) Dundee visitation is going good.

Friends In Christ - Dianne Stanton. Made \$260 on ornament sale. Relay for Life is May 15. Have an Emergency Fund of \$185 - from yard sale. If there is a need, contact Rev. Gafford. Ladies' Retreat is March 27. They took 15 to 20 bags of groceries to Pee Dee Coalition from the Clemson-Carolina Souper Bowl. Bought 10 new red bows for them for next Christmas.

Young Adults - Andrea Watson. Have something planned in Feb.

Rev. Gafford - Copier - have spent a lot on it lately especially for colored ink. The use of the office copier needs to be limited. Confirmation classes have been set up. Joy Club - will take care of our own senior citizens and will have a few big things a year. (Schedule attached) Planning Day is Jan. 24. Ring calendar.

Jeff Evans made the motion to dismiss. Howard Pittman second. Passed. Dora dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Betty Evans", written in dark ink.

Betty Evans

Member attending: Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Bill Ratliff, Tim Branch, Paul Branch, Kathryn Branch, Jerry Kendall, Mildred Perkins, Andrea Watson, Ann Inman, Gail Cain, Dianne Stanton, Elsie Graham, Rev. Dora Gafford.

**Church Council**  
**Christ United Methodist Church**  
**February 9, 2009**

Bill Ratliff, Chairman, called the meeting to order with prayer. Fourteen members were present.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Pledge information has not been sent to shut ins yet. Rev. Gafford said she would take care of this. Ann Inman asked that the Trustees check on the cable for the projector and getting it fixed. Bill said he would talk to Jackie Branch about that. Homecoming Celebration is April 25 & 26. They will start practicing this Sunday at 4:00. Kathryn Branch made the motion to accept the minutes. Marjorie Pittman second. Passed.

Treasure Report - Paul Branch. Mildred Perkins made motion to accept. Helen Driggers second. Passed.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. They gave Lynn Driggers a surprise birthday party. Wanda Brigman and Dianne Stanton on for February. They are visiting different people.

Shepherds - Dianne Stanton. The 2008 shepherds will continue through 2009. They will be sending out a letter soon.

Missions - Bill Ratliff for Jeff Evans. Bulletin Boards will soon be put in the hallway about the different missions our church does. Shrove Tuesday is Feb. 24 and they will have a pancake supper from 5:30 to 7:00. Donations will be accepted. Ash Wednesday service will be conducted but no supper that night. They are asking for donations of syrup. Bill Ratliff made the motion for the Missions Committee for the Council to increase their donation for Relay for Life from \$300 to \$500. Ann Inman second. Passed.

Nurture - Marjorie Pittman. Fed Bach family. Church bought chicken and macaroni. Her Sunday School class bought a ham and potato salad.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. The Joy Seekers are having their first party Saturday night. New Worship Committee will meet on Feb. 16 at 6:30.

Children - Bill Ratliff for Amy Thomas. Michelle Herndon and Kay Knight are helping her.

Youth - Tim Branch. Souper Bowl party - had 17 in attendance. They are taking up a collection to put a new roof on the house of a church member. It will cost about \$300. Another member has stepped forward and offered to pay for this. Jeff Evans will help line up adult help for this project. They are averaging 30 youths on Wednesday nights.

\*Trustees - need to set up for regular monthly meetings. They need to get a small table for the laptop. Lee Herndon can fix the cable-hookup. Also need a table for one of the TVs.

Finance - Howard Pittman. Jan. was good. Floyd English got a residential appraisal for the Pearson house. In 2004 - valued at \$69,739. Mr. Pearson paid \$100,000 for it in Dec. 2004. (125' x 210')

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. 20 at Praise and Worship Sunday morning.

Bill Ratliff - Sidney McInnis brought Disaster Relief information and gave it to Fred Knight. He is to let him know if heeds help with this. Our church does have back ups for the rolls.

Friends In Christ - Dianne Stanton. Women's Retreat will be April 17 - 19. Church Picnic will be Aug. 23. Relay for Life team is starting to get organized. They will meet Saturday. The theme this year is "Cruising for a Cure".

Men's Club - Paul Branch. 21 men at last meeting. Bar-B-Que will be April 30, 31, and May 1. Mike Hamilton is making the tickets and they will be ready this week.

Tapes - Helen Driggers. No deliveries this month.

Andrea Watson. 17 people came and had their blood sugar and cholesterol checked at health fair. Got 25 pints of blood at blood drive. The Fellowship Club will be going to Red Bone Alley for Valentine's. They will leave the church at 4:15.

Rev. Dora Gafford - Will do a cover letter to go out with budget to shut ins. There are 7 (1 from Antioch, 1 from First, and 5 from Christ) in the Confirmation Classes and several adults. They will join the church on Easter morning. Lay Speaker School to start this Sunday here. (4-8:30)

Howard Pittman made the motion to adjourn. Mildred Perkins second. Passed.

Rev. Dora dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members in attendance: Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman, Betty Evans, Ann Inman, Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Tim Branch, Paul Branch, Bill Ratliff, Kathryn Branch, Dianne Stanton, Andrea Watson, Mary Suits, and Rev. Dora Gafford.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church -  
March 9, 2009

Bill Ratliff - Chairman, Called meeting to order with prayer.  
Bill read - "What's Great About Being A Methodist?"

Treasurer Report - Paul Branch - Howard made <sup>the</sup> ~~a~~ motion  
to accept the report. Helen Wriggers seconded.  
Motion carried.

Minutes - Betty Evans.

Jeff Evans was ask to put 3 bulletin boards in hall.  
This was done on Wednesday night the 4<sup>th</sup> of March.  
Thanks Jeff - they look nice.

Mildred made motion to accept minutes and Jim Branch  
seconded - Motion Carried

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton - Dianne and Elsie Ashcom visited  
The Henry Livingtons, Gordon & Lynn Wriggers  
and Mrs. Brigitta Allemier - Friday the  
13<sup>th</sup> they will have a surprise birthday party  
for Mary Bach - Dianne encouraged her to go  
with them. Janet Sider working on new list of Baptists  
Ladies retreat 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> of April - Cost 35.<sup>00</sup>

Trustees - Mildred Perkins ask about the house of Mr. Pearson.  
Pastor Goss & Bill Ratliff - are planning to talk with  
Mr. Pearson.

Bill Rattiff - Starts a nut for handicapped again and a sign for our Pastor - Helen Wiggins advise pick up a sign for Pastor -

Working - Midland Parkin -

The Joy Church just party over a dinner - then  
Was 50 people in attendance.

During the 8th March - ~~the~~ training for acolytes  
Midland said they had 13 people. Announcing the list  
for when - Chairperson for women - Sidney Morrison -  
Chairperson for acolytes - Joy Bunn

Chairperson for music - Jim Borch  
Cupric 8th March Sunday

then will be some young people to join the church from  
confirmation class - Pastor Wore has decided this for  
March 29th

for Palm Sunday - met the living trees - for flowers -  
Wednesday night cupric 8th - the Bazaar - the Shrine.

Midland ~~the~~ permission to buy 10 Easter ~~trip~~ bibles by  
Maccabey - in the form of a motion - Evelyn Alexander. Roads -

Japer - Helen Wiggins - Japer, informant and church bulletin

Finance - Howard - report looking good for 1st of Thir year

Paul - Jim Borch - Work on roof for Church member has  
been. Acknowledged - for 14th + 21st, due to rain this  
week-end -



Sunday School - Kathryn Branch - No report  
Nature - Marjorie Pittman - No report

Mildred Made Motion to adjourn - Helen Duggan  
Seconded - Passed -

Time dismissed with prayer -

Members in attendance: Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman  
Paul Branch, Bill Ratliff, DiAnne Stanton  
Andrea Watson, Mildred Perkins,  
Helen Duggan, Evelyn Smith, Tim Branch

**Church Council**  
**Christ United Methodist Church**  
**April 13, 2009**

Bill Ratliff opened with prayer. Fourteen members were present.

Missions - Jeff Evans. Meet first Wednesday of each month. Spent money for major mission and \$500 for pastor to use for emergencies. Mission bulletin boards are almost finished and up in the hallway. Our church gave about \$2700 to Epworth last year. This was the most in the county. They are asking for \$6 per member per church for this year. We gave over \$9 last year. The house the Youth took over to put a new roof on is costing more than anticipated so they will help with that expense. Jerry Kendall made the motion to move the Relay for Life plaques to the hall with missions posters. Howard second. Passed. Dianne Stanton will find the 2009 plaque.

Treasure - Paul Branch. The amount for Epworth listed is for three months. (\$513.23) Mildred Perkins made the motion to accept the report as is. Helen Driggers second. Passed.

Nurture - Marjorie. Fed Confirmation class and their families during Sunday School.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. Easter lillies were bought and will be planted in flower bed after used in church. Mildred made the motion for the church to buy red carnations for the mothers on Mother's Day. Evelyn Smith second. Passed.

Youth - Paul. Have worked another Saturday on the roof job. Will need one more Saturday to finish.

Trustees - Ann Inman. Ann made the motion to pay Linda Quick's two sons \$150 each month (April 1<sup>st</sup> thru Oct. 31) to mow the church yard. Not year round! They will use their own equipment and gas. Howard Pittman second. Passed. (1 opposed)

Pearson House - Mr. Pearson wants \$100,000 for it. Bill talked to him. Bill thinks we should have it appraised and see if we can have it rezoned.

Bill Ratliff - workday is April 25.

Finance - Howard Pittman. Ron VeHorn is in the United States until June. He has been in Africa for 20 years.

Financial Secretary - Evelyn Smith. We have \$145,500.00 in Faith Pledges.

PPRC - Bill Ratliff. Jerry Kendall made the motion to increase Tim Branch's salary by \$50 and make it retroactive to Jan. 1, 2009. (This would make it \$300 per month.) Dianne Stanton second. Passed

Membership - Jerry Kendall. We have 291 members. (7 new and lost 3)

Minutes - Betty Evans. Thank Marjorie Pittman for taking minutes last month. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept them. Howard Pittman second. Passed.

Andrea Watson. Nursery worker is needed. Are there any requirements for this job? Who pays for background check? Hours per week - two Sunday morning and two Wednesday night. \$8 per hour.

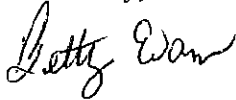
Bill Ratliff. Sound system is not working in vestibule and nursery. Music Masters needs to be contacted. They are also suppose to move the projector. Bill will contact Tim Branch.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. They will have a surprise birthday party for Carolyn Covington on April 24. The Ladies Retreat will this weekend. Working on Relay for Life stuff. Want to sell balloons for the children to let go after church - still in planning. Egg hunt a success.

Videos - Helen Driggers. Delivered 13. Still having problem with the sound part.

Bill Ratliff said Dora wanted him to bring up about having Tim Branch clean the steeple and sidewalks for \$250.00. This was discussed and put on hold. Mildred Perkins made the motion to dismiss. Howard Pittman dismissed us with prayer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members Present: Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Dianne Stanton, Bill Ratliff, Paul Branch, Kathryn Branch, Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Jerry Kendall, Evelyn Smith, Andrea Watson, Ann Inman.

**Church Council**  
**Christ United Methodist Church**  
**May 11, 2009**

Bill Ratliff - Chairman- called the meeting to order and read "Alone With God".

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. No motion was made to accept this report.

Minutes - Marjorie Pittman for Betty Evans. Minutes will be available at next meeting.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. No report.

Trustees - No one from committee was present. Bill Ratliff reported on cleaning the church steeple and sidewalk for \$450.00 or cleaning sidewalk and few places on building for \$250.00. Howard Pittman made the motion for Tim Branch to clean church steeple, sidewalk and building. Jerry Kendall second. Passed. The air conditioning was discussed. Bill asked Tim Branch to contact Pee Dee.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. Mother's Day - gave flowers to each mother. They will do something for the fathers on Father's Day.

Tapes - Helen Driggers. Delivered about 8 per week.

Finance - Howard Pittman. No report. Bill asked Howard to include the Tape Ministry as a budget item next year.

Historian - Jerry Kendall. We have 241 members.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. Average attendance for April was 60.

Nurture - Marjorie Pittman. No report.

Youth - Tim Branch. Need nursery workers. There will be a sign up sheet for this.  
Upcoming Events: 5 Youths to join church this Sunday, Relay for Life (15&16)- they will camp out for this, Amazing Grace race May 23, Waterpark Trip June 10, VBS July 19-23. Recent/Past Events: some were saved at Judgment House at Stewartsvill Baptist, went to CUMC for beach and Christian Concert, watched movie "Fireproof", helped with BBQ, 2/3 finished with roofing project. Final section to be completed ASAP. Future Fundraisers: 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Fishing Tournament Aug. 8. Meet at 6 AM Fish anywhere. Paul Branch, Jr. will mount the biggest fish. Car Wash - date to be announced. Future Events: Tuesday Mornings Out At McDonalds - devotional and fellowship for youth.

Pastor Dora - Joy Seekers will have a soup and sandwich meal on May 18 at 7:00 PM.,

May 24 is graduate Sunday, she will schedule a Worship meeting soon, pleased with Mission work. In order to receive the 5 Star Award next year our SS attendance will have to average about 60. She asked everyone to pray about the Methodist church in general. Most of the issues to come before the conference will deal with the central conference. This could be a sure win for the liberal voters. Pray about all the conferences - that they will not vote central conference out. She will set the time for our next planning session at our next meeting.

Bill Ratliff closed with prayer.

*Recorded by,*  
Marjorie Pittman (for Betty Evans)

Members present: Pastor Dora, Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Howard Pittman, Norm Gehm, Marjorie Pittman, Jerry Kendall, Paul Branch, Kathryn Branch, Andrea Watson, Tim Branch, Bill Ratliff.

CHURCH COUNCIL  
CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
June 8, 2009

Bill Ratliff - Chairman- called the meeting to order and opened with prayer. Pastor Dora was unable to attend. She was in Columbia for a meeting and was going to be late getting back.

Treasurer's Report - Paul Branch gave report. There was an error in the balance of the Building fund. The Report showed \$17,752.83. It should have been \$11,752.83. He advised that the balance in the General Fund includes donations designated for Salkehatchee and Red Bird, in addition to the amount budgeted. A motion was made by Howard Pittman to approve the Treasurer's Report. Jackie Branch Seconded the motion. Passed.

Minutes - Barbara Gehm was filling in for Betty Evans. Minutes for April and May were approved. A motion was made by Howard Pittman and Dianne Stanton seconded the motion. Passed.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton reported that they surprised Woodrow Burr for his Birthday with a visit and a Birthday Cake.

Friends in Christ - Dianne Stanton - Reported that Relay for Life brought in approximately \$5000 from our church. It was a huge success.

Trustees - Jackie Branch - Reported that the AC Unit that controls' Pastor Dora's office has been repaired. The cost was \$2100 and the work was done by Pee Dee Heating and Cooling. Complaint's of the sanctuary being too warm have been received,. This will be checked out. Jackie also reported that they will be doing a walk-through of the parsonage soon to see if it needs anything repaired. He also is going to check with Music Masters for additional training on the videoing of our Sunday Workshop Services. The Council agreed that this is very much needed.

Worship - Mildred Perkins - Flowers were given out to all the ladies for Mothers' Day. They will also be doing something for Fathers Day. New hymnals have been purchased for the sanctuary. A Fall Revival is still being planned. A Family Picnic has been planned at Camp Pine Hill on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Nurture - Marjorie Pittman - A meal was carried in for the family of Janet Graves.

Youth - Paul Branch - The Salkehatchee Workers will be leaving Bennettsville on June 20<sup>th</sup> and will be returning on June 27<sup>th</sup>. He reported that all funds will be turned over for Salkehatchee except for a small amount of money that they will keep out for personal items for the homes they are repairing. The council agreed upon this.

Finance - Howard Pittman - No report. He made a motion that the Church purchase five (5) DVD Players and some Disks. Dianne Stanton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vacation Bible School is planned for July 19<sup>th</sup> for Christ United Methodist Church.

Howard Pittman made a motion to dismiss. The meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Sincerely,

Barbara M. Gehm

Members Present: Bill Ratliff, Paul Branch, Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman, Dianne Stanton, Mildred Perkins, Evelyn Smith, Andrea Watson, Norman Gehm, Jackie Branch, and Barbara Gehm.

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Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
July 13, 2009

Bill Ratliff opened with prayer. Thirteen members were present.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. Have bought 5 DVD players for shut ins who do not have one. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept the report. Howard Pittman second this. Passed.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. Visited Sara Cousins to take birthday cake but she was not home. Visited Betty Odom. Bought DVD player and white table and chairs for Mrs. Ella Barnhardt. (so she could sit outside instead of in her car outside) Gave Woodrow and Dorothy Burr a DVD player. This Thursday will give Sara Bowen a birthday cake and a DVD player. They will also visit Blanche Artibee Thursday. Have visited many others and sent cards.

Friends In Christ - Dianne Stanton. Will hold a yard sale Sept. 5 at the church to start raising money for Relay for Life for next year. This year they raised \$4698.15 total. They will set a date for a one night retreat.

Missions - Jeff Evans. The church is preparing TB packets. Received the money in Sunday's offering for 10 and some will do them themselves. July 30 is the next Red Bird Missions meeting. At 5:30. Mildred Perkins has painted a stone with our church on it to leave up there. This needs to be put out at our commissioning service. Information has been sent off for sled investigations. Red Bird wants half of our money now. 13 of the 17 people going are from Christ Church. (\$1690.00 from our church.) Others are from Smyrna, Dillon, Shiloh, and Clio Trinity. Jeff made the motion for the Emmaus group training for the Men's Fall Walk be able to use our church. (July 25, Aug. 8, Aug. 22, Sept 12.) Howard Pittman second this. Passed. Jeff will let Mike Gibbs know they can use it.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. Bookmarks were given to the Men.

Youth - Tim Branch. Vacation Bible School will be July 19-23. "Studio Go" will be the theme. Their project will be to fill shoe boxes for the Christmas Child Project. The youth will work in Charlotte this year to help with this. They will have an adult class and Jeff Evans will be the teacher. They will be starting Post Game On Main soon.

Trustees - Paul Branch. Air conditioning bill is \$2100 to Bret Singleton. Paul made the motion to pay this out of the Building Fund. Jeff Evans second. Passed. Palmetto Bus Co. does not want our bus as a trade. Norm Gehm, Rev. Dora Gafford, Tim Branch, Dianne Stanton and a few others took the training for the sound system. Need to have another one. Trustees are checking with Chet Polson about building an enclosure around the sound system.



Finance - Howard Pittman. We are about half-way into the year and we have about half of our budget in. 50% of the apportionments have also been paid.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Thanked Barbara Gehm for taking minutes last month. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept them. Kathryn Branch second this. Passed.

Video Ministry - Helen Driggers. Still doing good.

Joy Seekers - Rev. Dora. Schedule for the year is out. Oct. 9 they will travel to Metkin Abby. Jeff Evans will drive the bus. On Nov. 10 they will have a luncheon to honor the veterans.

Andrea Watson- Asked about the church purchasing playground equipment. We have a fenced in yard already. Rev. Dora suggested the Trustees look into this purchase and about the liability insurance for this.

Rev. Dora Gafford - Decorate the church for Advent - Nov. 24. No service on Nov. 25. Oct. 4 is World Day of Communion. Dec. 24 will have Christmas Eve Service. Homecoming is Nov. 15. Youth Sunday is Aug. 23. Aug 30 is the Church picnic at 6:00. Camp meeting dates are: Aug. 2, Sept. 6, Oct. 4, and Nov. 1. Oct. 31 is the Fall Festival for the whole church. Sept. 5 is Relay for Life Yard Sale. Friends In Christ will be in charge. Dora will be on vacation August. 10-22. She will be at the Bishop's School of Ministry at Spring Maid Beach Sept. 15- 18.

Several prayer requests were given and Howard prayed for the group. Bill dismissed us.

Respectfully,



Betty Evans

Members Present: Helen Driggers, Mildred Perkins, Tim Branch, Andrea Watson, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Paul Branch, Kathryn Branch, Bill Ratliff, Dianne Stanton, Rev. Dora Gafford.

**CHURCH COUNCIL**  
**CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**AUGUST 10, 2009**

Bill Ratlif called the meeting to order by telling a story of children arguing over a toy. Fourteen members were present.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Sarah Bowen was not home the night of her visit. Bill Ratlif worked on a DVD player for Mrs. Barnhart but never could get it to work. Yard sale has been postponed until the Spring. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept the minutes. Howard Pittman second. Passed. Betty will not be here for Charge Conference but will get a stand-in.

Treasure Report - Paul Branch. Bus taxes paid July 10. He has applied for an exemption but this will take a few months to get. We will get this money back. Howard Pittman made the motion to accept the report. Helen Driggers second. Passed.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. Gordon Driggers will be given a birthday party. Asked if they could have Bar-B-Que and hot dogs for the picnic with people bringing the side dishes. Bill Ratlif will ask Gray Burroughs about tents. (5:30 - 7:30) Will serve inside and eat outside. Dianne made the motion for the church to spend \$100 on the hot dogs. Kathryn Branch second. Passed.

Missions - Jeff Evans. Met last week. Helped a family in the community whose house burned. Will have one more Red Bird Team meeting before we leave. 17 on the team.

Worship - Mildred. Picnic on the Lawn will be held. The camp meeting will be Sept. 6 with guest speaker Rev. Mark Foster and there will be special music by the Joyful Hearts.

Youth - Tim Branch. Post Game on Main starts Aug. 28 at First Church. Will have a guest speaker, Christian McGarrett (Youth Pastor Church of God in Dillon), and his band on Sept. 25. Tim Branch made the motion for our church to pay half (\$250) for the \$500 ad at the High School. Antioch has agreed to pay \$250. Dianne Stanton second. Passed. They will take the youth to hear Neal Nolan at Victory this Saturday night. They will be going to Winter Jam in Lynchburg, Virginia on Dec. 29, 30, 31. Nancy Goodwin's church will put them up and feed them.

Trustees - Ann Inman. She was concerned about the grass left on the sidewalks. Jackie Branch spoke to them about this and they will blow them off now. Jerry Kendall suggested having written instructions if we hire someone next year to do this job. They are waiting on a written request about the playground equipment.

Finance - Howard Pittman. Not met yet. Have not completed budget for Charge Conference. Dora's salary never went from a one charge salary to a two charge salary.

Membership - Jerry. 297 as of today. Hopes he will have a book ready for Homecoming.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. 40 present last Sunday. Service on Wednesday night in Sept. Joy, Libby Ann and Dianne will teach the children.

Men's Club - Paul Branch. They had a workday at church. They trimmed the shrubbery, trimmed sidewalks, moved wood from building, cleaned yard, etc.

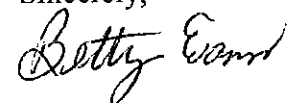
Tape Ministry - Helen Driggers. She is delivering 6 to 10 per week.

Jeff Evans invited the ladies of the church to attend the next Men's Club meeting on Aug. 24 for a Fish Fry and music by the Emmaus Road Quartet. He asked who was doing the Psalter charts in the sanctuary? (Luke Sides) Jeff Evans made the motion to buy new numbers for this or to take them down. Marjorie suggested finding them at Hamilton's or Cokesbury. Tim Branch said he would check on this. He said we basically only need ones. Mildred Perkins said she would talk to Luke Sides about this job.

Ann Inman asked who was in charge of the pencils being sharpened in the sanctuary. Elizabeth Williams circle was doing this. Dianne Stanton will check on this.

Jeff Evans made the motion to adjourn. Howard Pittman second. Jeff dismissed us with prayer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members present: Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman, Ann Inman, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Jerry Kendall, Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Andrea Watson, Kathryn Branch, Paul Branch, Tim Branch, Bill Ratlif, Dianne Stanton. (Pastor Dora is on vacation.)

CHURCH COUNCIL  
CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Sept. 14, 2009

Bill Ratliff opened the meeting with the daily devotional from the Upper Room. Eleven were present.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Mildred Perkins made the motion to approve. Helen Driggers second. Passed.

Treasure Report - Paul Branch. We did get the tax exempt for church bus. It has been paid but we will get the money back. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept. Jerry Kendall second. Passed.

Missions - Jeff Evans. Tuberculosis kits were taken to Columbia. Took about 130. Missions Committee went out to eat and to purchase the items for these kits. The items were purchased with the money that was donated. Red Bird Mission team will leave in two weeks. We have had t-shirts made for this. The Commissioning service will be Sunday during church services. Epworth workday was yesterday and will also be collected next Sunday. The Honduras team will leave in February. The town we are going to does not have a church. The team is trying to raise \$18,000 to help build one. They are still taking up clothes and shoes.

Youth- Tim Branch. Had 117 on Post Game on Main. They are able to give snacks away now. They will go on Dec. 9 to work with the shoe boxes in Charlotte. This is a weekday. He asked Council for permission to invite Neal Nolan (from the Camden Church of God - now an evangelist) to come to have a Youth Revival at our church. Also a love offering would be taken up for him. Rev. Gafford said that she would have to write the District (Quay Adams) for permission for this. Paul Branch made the motion for Rev. Gafford to do this. Mildred Perkins second. Passed.

Trustees - Ann Inman. Have done a walk-through of the parsonage. There were a few minor things that needed to be taken care of. There is no heat or air in the library classroom. It has been suggested to get a portable air conditioner. Debbie Polson is checking about that. The commode in the ladies restroom has been fixed. Bus needs to be cranked and run once a week. Bill Ratliff suggested asking Rusty to do this. Jerry suggested one of the ladies who work in the office. Jeff Evans asked about the vinyl flooring in the nursery. It is coming up. Dody has called George Ingalls about this. Playground equipment tabled for now. Chet Polson is working on enlarging the Sound System space.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. New teachers : Jeff's class- Libby Ann Cook, Mark Stubbs' class - Elsie Graham, Young Adult class - Jeff Evans. We are starting to get kids back on Wed. night.

Videos - Helen Driggers. People are still enjoying them.

"Blackwood Brothers" will be at McColl Church of God Sunday at 4:00.

Bill Ratliff's two years will be up in December. Dianne Stanton will be the new Chairman beginning then.

Rev. Gafford - She has asked Jeff Dunn to come do Homecoming but he can't. Asked who they wanted for backup and they suggested Mike Smith. Margie Williams has had a stroke. And Tom is taking care of her. Charge Conference will be in October.

Jerry Kendall made the motion to adjourn. Kathryn Branch second. Passed. Rev. Gafford dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Present: Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Ann Inman, Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Paul Branch, Kathryn Branch, Andrea Watson, Bill Ratliff, Jerry Kendall, Tim Branch, Rev. Gafford.

## Nominations / Personnel

Linda Collins - does not want  
chairman of Evangelism

Janet Sides - will take her  
place (Dianne will ask)

Will be voted on at conference.

Oct. 4 - Council call meeting  
to approve budget

{ Person & apportionment - lower.  
money - mission increase  
\$50 on Tim's salary.  
\$50 on delegates salary.  
Budget voted on Oct. 11. - Chaz Cong.

Evangelism - education & giving  
two people.

Mike - taking care of ones we  
have, or need. - education

Money for Yacht Committee -  
Jeff motion of \$500 to the  
committee. 2nd - Howard. Passed.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
October 12, 2009

Bill Ratliff opened the meeting with the Upper Room devotion for the day. Fifteen members were present.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept. Kathryn Branch second. Passed.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. Lawn mowing will go through Oct. 31, 2009. Men's Club may take over this next year. Howard Pittman made the motion to accept. Mildred Perkins second. Passed.

Youth - Tim Branch. There will be 2 more Post Games On Main before the playoffs. The youth will carry the shoe boxes to Charlotte on Dec. 9. Sidney Rogers will meet with the youth Wednesday night but the whole church is invited. Some of the youth will be in the play so will not have youth next Wed. They had 29 youth last Wed. night. Winterfest - ~~Jaime~~ Goodwin Love has lined up everything for our youth to go to this in Lynchburg, Virginia. They will leave Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> and return Jan. 2, 2010.

Bill Ratliff - Jackie Branch sent him word that the Jr. Charity League wants to use our church the first Monday of each month and the Boys Scouts also want to use it. Jeff Evans made the motion to let both groups use the building as long as it does not interfere with our church activities. Ann Inman asked Bill about lights needing to be replaced in the sanctuary. Paul Brach said he would take care of that.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. Birthdays this month are Richard Bach and Dorothy Burr. Rev. Dora wants to do something after church on Wednesday night to celebrate Richard's birthday. More people might be able to go then.

Missions- Jeff Evans. The Red Bird Mission trip was successful spiritually and work wise. We had plenty of work and money but not enough time. We took up around \$380 for missions yesterday at church. Money left over from Red Bird will be rolled over to use next year.

Worship - Mildred. Our next camp meeting will be Nov. 1. Nov. 24 - at 6:00 decorate for Advent. Will have soup and sandwiches. Will not have church service Nov. 25. Nov. 15 - Homecoming. Nov. 10 at 2:30 will have meal to recognize the veterans - done by the Joy Seekers. Oct. 31 will Fall Festival at the church. Games, prizes, bingo. Friends In Christ will have hot dogs. Youth will do the games. Norm and Rev. Dora are trying to arrange for Prayer on the Square. Dora will let us know about that. Kathryn Branch made the motion that our church take part in this - as a church.

Chairman PPRC - Wand Brigman. Dianne Stanton made the motion to have Pastor

Appreciation at Homecoming, Andrea Watson second. Passed. Howard Pittman made the motion to spend \$300 on a gift for Rev. Dora. Second by Dianne Stanton. Passed.

Jeff Evans - Trustees need to think about replacing the lawn mower building. Maybe an addition to the metal building would be a possible solution. Bill Ratliff said he would let Jackie Branch (Trustees Chairman) know about this.

Finance - Howard Pittman. Everything presented at Charge Conference was approved. Our church received a certificate for paying 100% of our apportionments in 2008. Our apportionments have come down for next year. We will need \$3240 per week next year. Nurture was added. (\$500)

Video Ministry -Helen Driggers. Doing good. Someone needs to help Dorothy & Woodrow Burr with how to work to DVD player.

Friends In Christ - Dianne Stanton. Retreat is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 13, 2009.

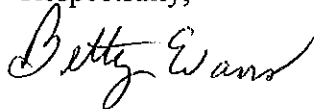
Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. Averaging about 60 each Sunday.

Andrea Watson asked if anyone has checked about the heat/air situation for the Young Adult Classroom. Bill Ratliff said Rev. Dora was suppose to Check with Brett Singleton about extending the duct work to that room. We still need to get three bids before any work is done. Bill will talk to Rev. Dora.

Sidney McInnis - Disaster Preparedness meeting will be held Saturday, Nov. 14 (9-2) at Trinity on Hwy. 38. Some members here need to go.

Mildred Perkins made the motion to adjourn. Helen second. Passed.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Members in attendance: Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Sidney McInnis, Wanda Brigman, Dianne Stanton, Kathryn Branch, Paul Branch, Tim Branch, Norm Gehm, Helen Driggers, Andrea Watson, Mildred Perkins, Bill Ratliff.



Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
Nov. 9, 2009

Chairman Bill Ratliff opened the meeting with prayer. Eleven members were present.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Three corrections were made in last months minutes (careless mistakes). Boy Scouts are not going to use our church. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept. Howard Pittman second. Passed.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. Two things need to be checked on: Carolyn English's salary was on twice and Blanche Sanchez was not paid until the end of the month. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept the report. Helen Driggers second. Passed.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. Dora Moore and ~~Debra~~ <sup>John</sup> Williamson have birthdays this month.

Missions - Jeff Evans. There was a short meeting after church yesterday. A church family needed some help and \$600 will be used for shoe boxes. Have 1 more obligation for the year and they are waiting for that time to come. Two Thanksgiving meals will be purchased- one for the Bachs and one for the Covingtons. The deposit for the Red Bird Team was mailed today for next year.(Sept. 19-25) The Honduras Mission trip is in Feb. The Christmas Eve collection will go to this. The committee will go as a group to purchase the things for the shoe boxes.

Bus - Jeff Evans. The trip to Tennessee gave us many blessings. People went out of their way to help us when the bus broke down. He gave a report on what had been spent so far on the repairs. The bus is in Waynesville, NC being repaired. When it is finished he will go get it. Marjorie Pittman made the motion the church accept the charges for repairing the bus. Evelyn second. Passed. Mildred Perkins asked about the emergency brake. Jeff took the bus to the Ford shop and had that checked before the trip. He explained there was nothing wrong with the brake. It would work fine if the bus is in park but just like every other vehicle, if you put the bus in gear and mash the gas with the emergency brake on it will move some.

Jeff Evans started teaching the Young Adult class Sunday. They got off to a good start with 19 present.

Worship - Mildred. Homecoming and Pastor Appreciation will be Sunday. She will collect cards for Dora at the door. We will deck the halls of the church on Nov. 24. Rev. Gafford wants all classrooms to be decorated also. There will not be a service on Nov. 25. Jenny Fowler Dalton has donated a new Christmas tree to use in our Fellowship Hall. We will have a Prayer on the Square at the Courthouse at 4:30 Wednesday. The flag at the Courthouse needs to be replaced. Bill will talk to Jerry Kendall about this. There will be a Countywide Thanksgiving service at Thomas Memorial on Nov. 22. During the

Homecoming service someone will tell about the church's past, present, and future.

Youth- Bill Ratliff gave Tim's report. They are still going to the Winter Jam in Lynchburg, Va. They attended a concert in Cheraw by Chris Sligh. They need more washcloths and boy's and girl's toys to finish the shoe boxes. Tim wants permission to head up a Youth Revival with Jamie Ragle speaking. Mr. Ragle has said he would come for a love offering and a place to stay and expenses. This would be at the Community Center. No date yet. Voting on this was postponed. Dora needs to still check about this.

Trustees - Ann Inman gave the report. Men's Club will probably take over mowing the lawn again. George Ingalls was to put strips down in the nursery to fix the flooring in there. Rev. Dora checked with Bret about t extending the duct work to the Young Adult classroom. He will come and check this. The Men's Club will use the Bar-B-Que money to get a new storage building. They will contact Ed Coxe. Bill told Ann the door to the counting room has been sticking. Someone needs to check on this. The air conditioning unit at the back of the church was checked by Bret.

Finance - Howard Pittman. Paul fixed the ice maker this week but if it breaks again it will be too expensive to fix. We will need to purchase another one. Ronald Hamer said the price would start at about \$1600. The budget was presented at Charge Conference and was approved.

Bill Ratliff - He and Sidney McInnis are going to a Disaster Control meeting Sat. from 9 to 2.

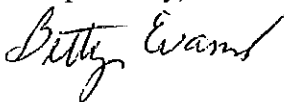
Friends In Christ - Dianne Stanton. They are not having the Fall retreat. They will start making the ornaments to sale for the hall tree. Prayer room door is being locked. This needs to be checked on.

Andrea Watson - Men's Club has bought a new first aid kit and posted it in the kitchen.

Outreach - Helen Driggers. 6 to 9 tapes go out each week.

Mildred Perkins made the motion to adjourn. Howard Pittman second.

Respectfully,

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Betty Evans

Members Present: Anne Inman, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Bill Ratliff, Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Evelyn Smith, Dianne Stanton, Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Andrea Watson.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
December 14, 2009

Bill Ratliff opened the meeting with prayer. Thirteen members were present. This was Bill's last meeting as Chairman. Dianne Stanton will be Chairman of the Administrative Council beginning Jan. 1, 2010.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. Carolyn English had asked for her check early last month. Tim Branch was reimbursed for gas he bought for a family in need down in Dillon. (\$25) They needed help to get home to Washington. Epworth money was for 2 months. 100% of apportionments are paid through Nov. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept the report. Kathryn Branch second. Passed.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton. Did belated birthday for Charles Cousins. They are trying to take Christmas trees to people who do not have one. Gave 10 bags groceries to Pee Dee Coalition. They are selling Christmas ornaments to raise money for Relay For Life.

Missions - Betty Evans for Jeff. Betty made motion for the Emmaus Group to hold their Pot Luck Dinner here on March 6 (8 until 4). Mildred Perkins second. Passed. 10 ham dinners have been ordered for Christmas. They will be voting on who will receive these. They prepared 12 girl and 12 boy shoe boxes for the Shoe Box ministry.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Correction: Under Evangelism change Eugene to Jean. Motion to accept made by Mildred Perkins. Helen Driggers second. Passed.

Worship - Mildred Perkins. Candlelight Service will be Christmas Eve at 6:00 PM. Choir Cantata will be Sunday at 6:00 PM. Refreshments afterwards. Everyone is to bring something. Trees and decorations are to be taken down.

Youth - Tim Branch. Will leave Dec. 30 for Winterfest in Louisville, Ky. Trip will cost \$2250. Need \$1050. Rev. Dora will <sup>not</sup> Antioch if they would like to help with the expense too because 2 of the ones going are from there. Howard Pittman made the motion to make up the difference for the Youth out of the General Funds if they don't collect that much before then. Evelyn Smith second. Passed. Community Youth Revival will not be sponsored by the church. (Feb. 21-25) Jamie Ragel will preach. Dennis Miller will let them use the Community Center free. Jamie will come for a love offering an a place to stay. (Cheraw will take care of this.) Larry Collins, Chad Vick (West Side Baptist in Cheraw) and Rebecca \_\_\_\_\_, etc. will be helping with this.

Bill Ratliff discussed the Christmas bonuses: He made the motion for each of the following to receive the following: Rev. Dr. Dora Gafford - \$300; Carolyn English - Music Director - \$150; Tim Branch - Youth Coordinator - \$150, Marie Sanchez - Custodian - \$100. Passed. Wanda Brigman, PPRC Chairman, will present these this Sunday.

Trustees - Heating at other end of the building. Paul Branch swill check to see if the duct work is cut into those rooms.

Finance - Howard Pittman. Marjorie Pittman made the motion we purchase a new ice machine. Tim Branch second. Passed. Trustees need to get quotes and bring this back for discussion. Bill will talk to Dora about this.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. Averaging 60 each Sunday.

Andrea Watson. Church needs to send a thank you note to Jenny Dalton for donating the Christmas tree to our church for the Fellowship Hall. Kathryn Branch will write it.

Rev. Dora - Johnny D thing will be this weekend. (19<sup>th</sup>). The date to take down decorations is Jan. 6. (5:30 meal, 6:15 devotion, 6:30 take down decorations.)

Howard Pittman made the motion to close. Evelyn Smith second. Passed.

Respectfully,

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Betty Evans

Those in attendance: Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Paul Branch, Kathryn Branch, Tim Branch, Mildred Perkins, Helen Driggers, Betty Evans, Evelyn Smith, Andrea Watson, Bill Ratliff, Dianne Stanton, Rev. Dora Gafford.

2010  
NO January  
minutes

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
January 11, 2010

Dianne Stanton, the new Council Chairperson, opened the meeting with prayer. Thirteen members were present.

Treasure's report - Paul Branch. Reports were passed out. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept. Marjorie Pittman second. Passed.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Minutes of the last meeting were passed out. Rev. Gafford and Kathryn Branch both wrote Jennie Fowler a thank you note for the Christmas tree. Helen Driggers made the motion to accept the minutes. Kathryn Branch second. Passed.

Missions - Jeff Evans. Gave a report on attached sheets. These things were paid out of the Mission donations fund except Red Bird. Total spent in 2009 was \$17,623.26. He also mentioned the homeless in Marlboro County.

PPRC - Wanda Brigman. There will be a joint PPRC meeting Sunday at Antioch at 4:00.

Finance- Howard Pittman. We ended the year a little behind but the church is off to a good start for 2010.

Tape Ministry - Helen Driggers. She is delivering 6 to 9 tapes per week.

Evangelism - Linda Collins has asked to be taken off for this year. Janet Sides will take her place. This is divided into 2 parts now: 1.) Evangelism (Janet Sides) - visit within 24 hours and 2.) Nurture (Dianne Stanton) - church family needs, birthday parties, nursing homes.

Communication - Betty Evans. Gave cantata news to paper. They will put it in. Rev. Gafford said Bonnie will train Pat Ratliff to do Informer.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. We will start having coffee on Sunday mornings before Sunday School. There are approximately 10 for Confirmation class. This will be done during the Sunday School hour. Sidney and Betty McInnis will teach that.

Trustees - Floyd English. 1.) Bus - He called about it today and they have not had a chance to work on it yet in Darlington at Raceway Ford. 2.) Ice Machine - There are 3 brand names. Compared to what we have - it will cost about \$3000. 3.) Heat Unit - Both units at back of church are gone. Brett Singletary gave a bid to replace both of those units and one at the parsonage - \$11,165.00. Ervin Hammer also gave a bid but Brett was about \$1700 cheaper. Floyd made the motion to replace all three units. Discussion followed. Jeff asked who was using the parsonage now. At this time no one is using it. Floyd asked if we wanted to rent the parsonage. Floyd is taking all this back

to the Trustees and will come back with a recommendation for the Council. Sidney McInnis made the motion to check on the price for the 2 units for the church and wait on the parsonage. His motion also stated to go ahead with those 2 if the price was the same. Paul Branch second. Passed.

Men's Club - Sidney McInnis. He is the new president. They went out to eat for their Christmas party. They will replace the storage building with the proceeds from the Bar-B-Que.

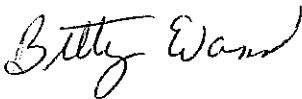
Disaster Coordinator - Fred Knight is the chairman but Sidney McInnis gave the report. Before Christmas, Sidney, Fred, Steve Goldberg, and Bill Ratliff went to a meeting about this.

UMW - Dianne Stanton. The ornament sale did not go very well. They will not do that next year. Dora asked if they have their team yet. If they have their team by Jan. 19, they can get \$100 credit for the team. Dianne will check on this.

Rev. Dora Gafford - Confirmation Class organization meeting will be Jan. 17. The first planning session will be Feb. 8 at our regular Council meeting. We will start at 6:30 and will last approximately 2 hours. All committees need to meet before this. She also said she needs to train lay people to take communion out to shut-ins. She would have to consecrate it before they could take it out.

Dianne Stanton dismissed us. Howard prayed .

Respectfully,

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Betty Evans

Members present: Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Kathryn Branch, Paul Branch, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Floyd English, Sidney McInnis, Helen Driggers, Wanda Brigman, Norm Gehm, Dianne Stanton, Rev. Dora Gafford.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
Feb. 8, 2010

This meeting was a Planning Meeting and Church Council Meeting. Dianne Stanton called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Twenty-three were in attendance. Rev. Dora Gafford said our next planning session would be in June. This meeting was to plan for the first part of the year. We were to work on 5 areas: 1)Worship, 2) Evangelism, 3)Missions, 4)Nurture, and 5)Youth. "If asking someone to come to this church, what would you tell them?" Sunday School and worship are the 2 key elements of church. SUNDAY SCHOOL - need to sent cards out to those who are not attending, teachers should be here and ready at 9:50, teachers should call Kathryn if they are not going to be here, May need more than one teacher, Banner needs to be used to highlight a class and recognize them in church service the first Sunday of every month, Pins - up to 12<sup>th</sup> grade-do 3 month pins then 1 year pins -Dianne's, Elise's, Pat's, and Libby Ann's classes) - will start with March, April, and May - Visiting another church is ok, Have coffee at 9:30. Challenge to get to 100 people. Dianne Stanton and Elsie's class can join together unless others start coming besides Grayson. WORSHIP-make a special effort at greeting time to speak to someone you do not know, Before church greeters should be in place 5 to 10 minutes before service. They need a tag that designates them as the GREETERS. Will try - have ushers pass out visitor cards when visitors raise their hands in church/ or placed in collection plate. Church needs to send them a personal note for visiting. Will stop pew registration. Like announcements on overhead before church - people can not hear when made during church - deadline for these need to be 10:00 Thursday mornings. Children's time - no children have been coming down so have stopped doing it. Not having Children's church any more. Joy will recognize the acolytes this Sunday during Children's moments. Music - have a call to worship, 2 hymns, and 1 song after message. Need guest/special music during offertory. Will start a Sr. handbell ringers group. We then divided into these 5 groups and worked on ideas for each. When we came back together our Council meeting continued.

Rev. Gafford - Ash Wednesday will be here at 6:30. Sunrise service will be at First Church at 7:00 in the amphitheatre. During Lent we will study the Lord's Prayer for our Wednesday night Bible Study. April 3 is Easter Egg hunt (11-12). Maundy Thursday is April 1 at 6:00. Will have Communion.

Jeff Evans - Missions. All mission teams have been suspended by UMCOR into Haiti for now. They are still seeking funds. Wants the church to pray about forming a team to go to Haiti.

Mildred Perkins - Joy Seekers. Want permission for them to have a bake sale ~~at the Bar-~~  
~~B-are~~ on April 30.<sup>3</sup>

Joy Burroughs - Youth. Asked about the money for the Youth program. Need to have a new signer. Jeff Evans made the motion to put \$500 of the budgeted money into the

Youth account. Floyd English second. Passed. Paul will be the only one to sign checks on this now. They are turn their receipts into him.

Relay for Life - Joy Burroughs. Things they have planned to raise money for this are: luminary sales, t-shirts, sign sale, corporate sponsors, and face painting at the Relay.

Dianne closed with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Respectfully,".

Betty Evans

Those in attendance: Dianne Stanton, Bill Ratliff, Carolyn English, Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman, Floyd English, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Sidney McInnis, Norm Gehm, Paul Branch, Kathryn Branch, Evelyn Smith, Elsie Graham, Janet Sides, Gray Burroughs, Joy Burroughs, Mark Stubbs, Kay Knight, Helen Driggers, Mildred Perkins, Doris Miller, Jerry Kendall, Rev. Dora Gafford.



CHURCH COUNCIL  
Christ United Methodist Church  
March 8, 2010

Dianne Stanton opened the meeting with prayer for the sick. Seventeen were present. Minutes - Betty Evans. One correction about the Bake Sale. Bill Ratliff made the motion to accept. Evelyn second the motion. Passed.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch (not present) Haiti collection was taken for two weeks. This is not in receipts but in expenditures. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept. Second by Jerry Kendall. Passed.

Lay Leader's Report - Jeff Evans. Lay Leader school will be April 11, 18, & 25 in McColl.

Missions - Jeff Evans. Met last week. They planned speakers for the year. They will leave the church March 19 for the New Hope Girls Ranch at 4:30. After this visit they will decide if this is something the church needs to help sponsor. Epworth and Oliver Gospel will also be visited. They plan to still support the same things as last year also.

Evangelism - Janet Sides. Have a "new member" bulletin board. Cards for visitors have been ordered. Will not use registers after these come in. Folders for visitors are still being worked on. Presently, Janet is sending a letter to visitors and to those who have not attended in a while.

Nurture - Dianne Stanton. Will visit Mary Bach for her birthday.

Youth - Joy Burroughs. They are adjusting the groups and trying to divide them. They will also be changing the time for some of them to meet. The music ministry will continue. They are debating using the parsonage for a Youth House. Kids will have to stay inside of church until 6:30 because of traffic and safety. They will go on the bus to the "Flood" at Bruce Skipper's church in Lumberton, NC on April 17. There is a Youth Revival in Blenheim on April 28, 29, 30, and May 1. Joy made the motion for the youth to go to this revival and split the cost of the speakers, musicians, and food one night. This money would be taken out of the Youth Fund. Bill Ratliff second. Passed. Janet Sides asked to do a "Sounds of Praise" on May 8 at our church for the youth of the whole county. Adam Pate's group would put this on. No charge but a love offering would be taken. Start at 6:00. Will do some advertising. Bill Ratliff made the motion to do this and use up to \$100. Floyd English second. Passed.

Trustees - Floyd English. Brett Singleton put two new heat pumps in the back of the church. Bus is back and better than ever. Dora: three new rugs for church entrances - each have the Methodist emblem and CUMC name on them. Each would cost about \$200. Also need a rubber matting at the kitchen sink and stove. Jerry Kendall made the motion to proceed with the purchase of the three rugs spending no more than \$1000 and using what is left over from this on the kitchen mats. Howard Pittman second. Passed.

Finance - Howard Pittman. We are a little behind in giving. This may be a result of having missed one Sunday due to snow. The Men's Club will replace the shed with a new building. Paul Branch would like to have this. He will move it. Howard made the motion to let Paul have the building. Jerry Kendall second. Passed.

Membership - Jerry Kendall. 299 members. Sunday School perfect attendance program started in March.

Marjorie Pittman made a motion for the Joy Seekers to have a Bake Sale on April 3 starting at 8:00 AM. Jeff Evans second. Passed.

Friends In Christ Circle - Dianne Stanton. She made the motion for the following dates: March 21- there will be a diaper shower for Rev. Dora's daughter from 3 to 5. April 3- there will be an Easter Egg Hunt from 11 to 12. April 11 - there will be a bridal shower for Amber Nettles from 3 to 5. May 1 - there will be a Bake Sale. May 8 - there will be a Ladies Tea and Fashion Show. Janet made the motion to accept all of these dates. Floyd English second. Passed.

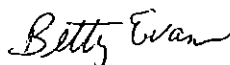
Men's Club - Sidney McInnis. Bar-B-Q is planned for April 30 and May 1. The money made on this will be used to replace the storage building. Jerry Kendall made the motion to borrow the money from the church fund and repay it after the Bar-B-Q. The contract bid for \$2933.45 runs out the end of March. Bill Ratliff second. Passed. Norm Gehm asked about the nursery. Joy will get the Sunday morning nursery schedule from Kathryn Branch and post it by the nursery door.

Joy Club - Mildred Perkins. Friday night there will be a Soup and Sandwich dinner and Bingo at 6:00.

Relay for Life - Joy Burroughs. Still need to register cancer survivors.

Rev. Dora Gafford - April 1 - 6:00 - Maundy Thursday Service; April 4 - 7:00 AM at First Church amphitheater - Sunrise Service ( she will preach); May 23 - Confirmation Sunday (tentative date); May 16 - Graduation Sunday (tentative) - Give "Purpose Driven Life" book and Jeff will conduct the Sunday School class for Graduates and their family; May 9 - Mother's Day. Daylight Savings Time starts Sat. night.

Discussion followed about Vacation Bible School. Bill made the motion to adjourn. Jerry Kendall second. Passed. Rev. Gafford dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully, Betty Evans   
(Attending: Mildred Perkins, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Dianne Stanton, Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman, Janet Sides, Joy Burroughs, Sidney McInnis, Norm Gehm, Floyd English, Evelyn Smith, Bill Ratliff, Jerry Kendall, Pat Ratliff, Gray Burroughs, Rev. Gafford.

## Administrative council meeting for April 12, 2010

Meeting called to order at 7:04 P.M. by Diane with prayer

Treasurer report- motion to accept as submitted by Jerry, seconded by Howard - Passed

Missions- Jeff stated that committee bought two ham dinners for New Hope Girls Ranch Easter weekend. Norm made motion to send \$125 per month, out of the budget, to New Hope Girls Ranch . Jerry seconded the motion- Passed

Nurture- Diane reported about birthday party for Carolyn Covington

Worship-Diane led discussion on keyboard fund for the church, will forward idea to finance committee for more exploration.

Children- Joy reported on upcoming trip to the Flood in Lumberton and youth revival at Salem Baptist Church. Mark commented on the youth being split in two groups, several parents involved in new programs, everything seems to be going well.

Trustees-Floyd explained about Garrison Quicks' Eagle Project proposal- New rugs at all entrances to church, new handrails, new flags, and new planters at doors. No direct expense to church budget but he will need help. Jerry made motion, Katherine seconded - Passed.

Floyd suggested handicap signs on Hamlet Highway side of church. Paul made motion and Jerry seconded- Passed

Finance- Howard gave no report

Lay Leader- Jeff gave no report

Membership- Jerry gave no report

Sunday school- Katherine commented attendance campaign is progressing- averaging 70, goal is 100

Friends in Christ Circle-Womens retreat is April 16 thru 18. Easter egg hunt was a success. Bake sale will be during B-B-Q weekend. Diane suggested church donate \$500 to Relay For Life- Jerry made motion , Floyd seconded- Passed

Mens Club-Paul commented on B-B-Q coming up. Requested movement of funds to mens club from general budget to finance this event then replace money at conclusion of B-B-Q. Norm made motion, Floyd seconded- Passed. Concrete has been poured, waiting on new building.

Young Adults-Joy gave no report

Joy Seekers- Mildred advised of mothers and fathers day meal on May 21. Reported \$400 received from cake sale.

Vacation Bible School discussion- will request input from congregation about all day Saturday event instead of all week.

Video Ministry- Helen gave no report

Communications- Betty will put an add in newspaper about B-B-Q and bake sale.

Pastor- Dora advised Graduate Sunday, Confirmation Sunday, and Pentecost will all be on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of May. Evangelism cards may or may not continue, will reevaluate and move forward. Video introduction to church will be made, by Dora and Rusty, for visitor packets. Council meeting will move to 7:30 to be preceeded at 7:00 by committee meetings not currently taking place. This will begin on May 10.

DORA WILL RETURN NEXT YEAR AS OUR PASTOR!

Norm made motion to adjourn at 8:40, Dora dismissed us with prayer.

Members present- Norm, Jerry, Jeff, Paul, Katherine, Mildred, Helen, Diane, Floyd, Elsie, Mark, Howard, Andrea, Joy, Grey, Dora

Submitted by Jeff Evans

CHURCH COUNCIL  
CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
May 10, 2010

Dianne Stanton opened the meeting by reading the poem "Celebrate Life". Fifteen were present.

Minutes - Betty Evans. March and April minutes were presented. Mark Stubbs made the motion to accept both. Sidney McInnis second. Passed.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept. Howard Pittman second. Passed.

Evangelism - Betty McInnis reported for Janet Sides. At their meeting, Janet gave out packets for visitation and assigned months to each member. Janet will meet with the greeters and have them pass out cards during the service to visitors. They will fill them out and put them in the offering plate.

Missions - Jeff Evans. Money has been sent to New Hope Girls Ranch. They will be here Sunday and will sing for us. Missions would like to pay for them to stop and have lunch on the way home. Salkehatchie - Floyd and Carolyn English are getting things ready for that. Carolyn said all the money has been sent in. There will be a Red Bird meeting in the next two weeks.

Nurture - Elsie Graham. They visited Carolyn Covington on her birthday and today is Ella Barnhart's birthday. Dianne Stanton wants to send card to everyone on the church roll. Elsie talked about cards for birthdays.

Worship - Howard Pittman said Hodges in Florence wants \$2195 for a keyboard. The keyboard needs a sustaining pedal.

Children - Jeff Evans for Joy Burroughs. Want to have a "Flood" on July 24. A love offering would be taken for the band. They will need \$500 to buy pizza to serve. Howard made the motion to give the \$500 and Kathryn Branch second. Passed.

Younger Youth - Mark Stubbs. (up to 6<sup>th</sup> grade) Erin Blair does the lesson and Anne Stubbs does the scripture and crafts. Janet Sides and Joy Burroughs are doing the older group and they are doing good. The revival at Salem Baptist went well.

Dianne Stanton asked permission to take the bus to Wanda Brigman's son's wedding. Rusty Sides will drive. Granted.

Family - Marjorie Pittman. Fed Dennis Miller family.

Trustees - Sidney McInnis gave the report for Floyd English. Fire Extinguisher for

kitchen estimates - Will meet with BFPE Int'l (Laurinburg) 9:00 Wednesday to get estimate. Have Gene Kimrey's estimate - needs new drops and updating. Sidney had the fire marshal to come and check it before he started getting estimates. They also discussed at their meeting : Garrison Quick wants to do the door mats and carpet as his Eagle Scout project. Handrail was put on hold.

Finance - Howard Pittman. We are on schedule with our money. Keyboard cost \$1500 to \$7000. He said someone else needs to check on this.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. We have several kids working hard to get their pins.

Friends In Christ Circle - Dianne Stanton. We have a team working on the Relay for Life. They made \$600 on their bake sale. Paul needs supplies to do the cooking for Relay for Life. He will be doing the BarB Que to help raise money. The circle gave him \$100. Norm Gehm made the motion for that \$100 be taken from the General Fund. Elsie Graham second. Passed.

Men's Club - Sidney McInnis. Thanked everyone for their help with the Bar-B-Que. \$3184.40 will be given back to repay the General Budget for their loan to get the outside building. David Shelton will speak at the next meeting on June 28 and everyone will be invited.

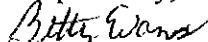
Joy Club - will be having a meeting after church Wednesday night. Mother/Father's Day meal will be at 6:00 PM on May 21.

Lay Member to Annual Conference - Dianne Stanton. Will get to accept the Bishop's Award plaque for our church at 9:30 on June 12 at the Civic Center in Florence.

Tapes - Helen Driggers will be out for two weeks and Betty Graham will deliver the tapes during this time.

Howard Pittman made the motion to adjourn. Sidney McInnis second. Passed. Sidney McInnis closed with prayer.

Respectfully,

  
Betty Evans

Those in attendance: Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Norm Gehm, Carolyn English, Sidney McInnis, Betty Evan, Jeff Evans, Helen Driggers, Mark Stubbs, Dianne Stanton, Elsie Graham, Wanda Brigman, Paul Branch, Floyd English, Kathryn Branch.

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
May 30, 2010

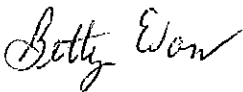
A called Church Council meeting was held immediately after church Sunday, May 30, 2010. Rev. Dora Gafford conducted the meeting. There were three main topics of discussion.

1.) Salkehatchie- On Saturday, July 3, we will feed the group coming into serve Bennettsville area. They also want to show a film on Sunday night, July 4, for this group of people and want permission to use our church for this. This was agreed on and Rev. Gafford will give permission to use our church.

2.) Bus-It is in Darlington and it will cost about \$2600 to be fixed. Trustees made the recommendation to sell the bus as is. Norm Gehm made the motion to sell the bus as is. Jerry Kendall second this motion and it passed. Mark Stubbs will check with the dealer in Lumberton about a date the bus could be taken over there for him to look at and offer a price on. Jeff Evans will take the bus but wants a Trustee to go with him. Joy Burroughs agrees in doing this but suggests we still explore other options of transportation.

3.) Conference - 3 offerings - do we want to make these offerings? Sidney McInnis made the motion to give each \$50. Floyd English second this. It was also asked for our church to give a donation for the District Superintendent's retirement party. Floyd English made the motion to send \$50 to this. Kay Knight second. Some did not vote in favor of this but the majority did. So this was also passed.

Respectfully,

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Betty Evans

## CHURCH COUNCIL

### CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

JULY 11, 2010

Dianne Stanton called the meeting to order. Fifteen were present.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. Bill Ratliff asked if we need to keep insurance on the bus. It is paid for now. Bill made the motion to accept the report. Marjorie Pittman second. Passed.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Howard Pittman made the motion to accept the minutes. Bill Ratliff second. Passed.

Missions - Jeff Evans. A family in the congregation was in need and they were given some financial help. This family needs housing and employment. Collected \$550 yesterday at church for New Hope Girls Home. We have 19 on the Red Bird team - 13 from this church, Paul needs to mail that part of the bill.

Evangelism - Dianne Stanton for Janet Sides. We have several new families coming to our church. Betty and Sidney McInnis sent card and visited for June. Barbara and Norm Gehm will do July.

Nurture - Elsie Graham. They have not visited anyone this month. They need a meeting with the Pastor.

Youth - Joy Burroughs. A "Flood" will be held at our church at 7:00 PM on July 24. Shawn Feldner and Dante Poole will be the speakers. They need to order some materials for the Youth. Have \$387 left in their budget.

Friends In Christ Circle - Dianne Stanton. Our church raised over \$7000 for Relay For Life.

Trustees - Paul Branch for Floyd English. The insurance agent will send someone to go over the stuff about the kitchen stoves. Jeff Evans asked about the bus. He said it could be being used. Sidney McInnis said we need to go pick it up from Lumberton, NC. Jeff ran off bids for buses in 150 mile radius from our church. Bill Ratliff made the motion to bring the bus home. Elsie Graham second. Passed. Jeff Evans will go get the bus. Trustees will need to decide whether to sell the bus somewhere else or to get another one.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. Attendance is low. We need to increase this in order to be eligible for the Five Star Award.

Men's Club - Sidney McInnis. There was a good turnout to feed Salkehatchie.



Joy Club - Bonnie Freeman. They will be having a picnic this Saturday night at 6:00 PM. Are averaging about 30 every month. Have three more events this year. No charge - only donations.

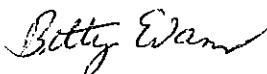
Tape Ministry - Helen Driggers will be out for a while. Bonnie & Lamar Freeman and Rev. Gafford are doing the tapes for now.

Paul Branch wants to know if we want to renew the contract on the copier. (\$540) Sidney McInnis made the motion to renew it. Bill Ratliff second. Passed.

Rev. Gafford - August 5 will get information on our charge conference so our church will need to be having committee meetings in July. Cecil Kinrey called to include our church with Prayer on the Square on Nov. 11. First Church and Christ Church will sponsor this. It will be at 4:00 PM. Post Game on Main - There are 4 home games this year. Antioch, First Church and Christ church sponsored this before. Do we still want to do this? (Sept. 24, Oct. 1, 8, & 22) Will not put add in book this year. Each church will put in \$200 to provide snacks for a total of \$600. Maybe each church could be responsible one night and then the last night all three churches could help. Elsie Graham made the motion to continue this. Howard Pittman second. Passed. Phone Tree - electronically send out messages for the church. Everyone is not getting the messages on the Prayer Chain. Church Picnic - Will be August 29 if we have one this year. Camp Meeting - Dora suggested having it in 4 different homes on each Sunday night in August. Discussion followed. Dora will work with Worship and Evangelism Committees to decide on this.

Rev. Gafford dismissed us with prayer.

Sincerely,



Betty Evans

Those in attendance: Paul Branch, Bill Ratliff, Elsie Graham, Joy Burroughs, Gray Burroughs, Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Sidney McInnis, Bonnie Freeman, Mildred Perkins, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Dianne Stanton, Jerry Kendall, Rev. Dora Gafford.

CHURCH COUNCIL  
CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
CALLED MEETING - JULY 19, 2010

Rev. Dora Gafford called the meeting to order. Nineteen were present.

Rev. Gafford said she was counseling James and <sup>Angela</sup>~~Amelia~~ Driggers. Sheriff Fred Knight had sent them to her. James is in Drug Court. James now has a job in Raeford, NC. Amelia is already working at SoPaco. They have been attending our church and they have 3 little children. They are trying to work out their marriage and want to get their family back together but they need a place to live. Before they can get their children with them they have to have a place to live. Their next Family Court date is this Wednesday. The Guardian Ad Litem said she needs a letter to take with her this Wednesday stating that they have a place for the family to live together. They have found a house that cost \$450 per month rent, plus a \$400 deposit plus \$150 to cut on the electricity = \$1000. She was asking what our church could do for them. Discussion followed. Elsie Graham made the motion to give the Driggers family \$1000 to help them get a new start. Paul Branch second. Passed. Rev. Gafford read the letter she planned to send with the Guardian Ad Litem Wednesday. A check will be given to the landlord. Bill Ratliff made the motion to take these funds out of the General Fund. Jeff Evans second. Passed.

Respectfully,



Betty Evans

Those in attendance: Gray Burroughs, Joy Burroughs, Betty Evans, Jeff Evans, Kathryn Branch, Paul Branch, Marjorie Pittman, Floyd English, Carolyn English, Jerry Kendall, Wanda Brigman, Sidney McInnis, Bill Ratliff, Pat Ratliff, Elsie Graham, Dianne Stanton, Evelyn Smith, Mark Stubbs, Rev. Dora Gafford

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
August 9, 2010

Dianne Stanton opened the meeting with a story by Max Lacado and then had prayer requests. Twenty-one were present.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. Bill Ratliff made the motion to accept. Elsie Graham second. Passed.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Floyd English made the motion to accept. Evelyn Smith second. Passed.

Missions - Jeff Evans. They met last week. Are in good financial shape for the Red Bird Mission. Will not need the remainder of the \$3000 budgeted. Someone asked to take the Girls Ranch to the Lake. He gave the phone number of the Ranch to Mark Sheppard for this. The church is not involved in it.

Evangelism - Janet Sides. Still doing monthly contacts.

Nurture - Elsie Graham. Will go see Gordon Driggers Thurs. Went to see Sara Bowen. They will work with Libby Ann's class to take stuff to Dundee for Christmas.

Youth - Joy Burroughs. Have about 10 attending. Younger kids start next week. Need to order study materials. Asked about tapes that were used for a couples financial class about five years ago. Jerry Kendall has the material. It is on managing money. Joy wants to use this with the kids. They will take the kids tubing. (They have permission slips.)

Trustees - Floyd English. Made motion to keep old bus and start a bus fund to purchase a new one later. Mark Stubbs second. Passed. Dianne Stanton wants to pick up children. She wants to know what would have to be done to do this. Floyd suggested asking Sully Blair. They have decided they need to go ahead with the Fire Protection in the kitchen. The Trustees made the motion to do this at a cost of \$1850 to bring the kitchen up to code. Jerry Kendall second. Passed. Bill Ratliff made the motion for this money to come from the Building Fund. Marjorie Pittman second. Passed. Dead pine trees beside parking lot and at parsonage. York Tree Co. said they would remove the trees at the rental house for \$500 and the 8 pines and stumps at the parsonage for \$1000. For a total of \$1500. Discussion. Men's Club may do this. City may not want them cut. Mike Gibbs was checking on this for the Men's Club. Jerry Kendall will check with Ken Harmon. Paul Branch made the motion to cut all the these pine trees pending the approval of the city for \$1500. Bill Ratliff second. Passed. Parsonage air conditioning. Youth are using the parsonage now. Floyd English said Brett Singletary (Pee Dee Heating & Cooling) gave him an estimate in 2009 for \$3515 for a gas pack. Bill Ratliff made the motion to replace the air conditioning unit in the parsonage not to exceed

\$4000. Jerry Kendall second. Passed. Ice machine in kitchen has been fixed at no cost to the church.

Friends In Christ Circle - Dianne Stanton. Had a successful yard sale. Church picnic will take place of camp meeting on Aug. 29 starting at 4:00 and eating at 5:00.

Men's Club - Sidney McInnis. Will have a speaker this month. Men need to invite more people.

Young Adults - Joy and Gray. Want to do a Bible Study on Sunday nights.

Joy Seekers - Bonnie Freeman. Had picnic in July. About 25 attended. Have 3 more meetings this year.

Tape Ministry - Bonnie & Lamar Freeman and Dora Gafford are delivering 7 or 8 tapes per week. Evelyn said we have had some contributions for this. This will be used to purchase some more tapes.

Family - Bill Ratliff said we fed the Herndon family.

Rev. Gafford - Committees need to meet by next week to get ready for conference. Post Game on Main will be Sept. 24, Oct. 1, 8, & 22. Each church will take a turn doing refreshments and being responsible for a night. (9:00 - 11:00) Charge conference will be at First Church on Sept. 26 at 5:00. Prayer on the Square will be Nov. 11 at 4:00 PM. Homecoming will be Nov. 14. Camp meetings: Ben Gafford - on prayer partners, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday - no meeting because Dora will be gone, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday will be the picnic starting at 4:00 and eating at 5:00. August 29 she will be at her home church for a special program honoring her Dad. Oct. 31 is All Saints Day where we honor all those who have passed away this year. World Communion is first Sunday in Oct.

Rev. Dora Gafford dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,



Betty Evans

Those present: Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Dianne Stanton, Jerry Kendall, Bill Ratliff, Sidney McInnis, Andrea Watson, Floyd English, Paul Branch, Kathryn Branch, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Joy Burroughs, Gray Burroughs, Janet Sides, Rusty Sides, Mark Stubbs, Elsie Graham, Bonnie Freeman, Evelyn Smith, Rev. Dora Gafford.

**Church Council**  
**Christ United Methodist Church**  
**September 13, 2010**

Dianne Stanton opened the meeting by reading "About Jesus - the Eternal King" by Max Lucado. This was followed by prayer requests and prayer. Seventeen were present.

Pastor Dora Gafford had several things to discuss next. First was the upcoming Charge Conference. Bill Ratliff made the motion to accept nominations made by the Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development. Howard Pittman second. Passed.

Budget - Pastor's salary totals \$50,177.95. Accountable Reimbursement is a \$500 <sup>Reduction</sup> change from last year. Jeff Evans made the motion to accept this change in Accountable Reimbursement. Evelyn Smith second. Passed. Mark Stubbs made the motion to approve the complete budget. Paul Branch second. Passed. Bill Ratliff made the motion to put \$1000 in the Miscellaneous Items in the budget. (This is where \$500 for Relay for Life would be taken.) Kathryn Branch second. Passed. Phone Tree - package is \$1099.00 and there is a \$100 if taken out before the end of September. Joy Burroughs will check to see what the School of Discovery uses. Pastor Dora will order the Natural Church Development survey. 30 people will take this and a congregational specialist will come talk to us about our weaknesses and strengths. All Saints Day will be Nov. 7. Homecoming is November 14. Do we want to change to have an afternoon celebration or stay with our morning celebration? It was decided to stay with the morning celebration and invite past ministers to come.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept. Jerry Kendall second. Passed.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Charge Conference will be at Antioch. PPRC will meet at 5:00 will the new DS. Charge Conference will begin at 5:30. Bill Ratliff made the motion to accept the minutes. Evelyn second. Passed.

Lay Leader & Missions - Jeff Evans. Joy Burroughs and Jeff Evans filled in for Pastor Dora last two Sundays. The Red Bird Mission Team will leave Sunday at 7:00 AM. Dillon Methodist Church held a fund raiser for this team yesterday and raised about \$1500.00.

Nurture - Elsie Graham. Will meet tomorrow night. Went to see Gordon Driggers.

Worship - Dianne Stanton. Pastor Dora and Carolyn English have talked about some things for Wednesday nights. The children are preparing something special for Homecoming.

Youth - Joy Burroughs. They have ordered new material for them. They will go to East Dillon Baptist church this Sunday for Judgement House. They may have 30 for this.

They watched the movie "To Save A Life" and had pizza. About 20 attended. They are sending out a letter to the parents of the youth to tell them what is involved here. Their first fund raiser will be a supper next Wednesday night. Meals will be \$6. Joy Burroughs made the motion for the youth to have a pancake supper with Santa on Dec. 10 as a fund raiser. Bill Ratliff second. Passed. Still having Post Game on Main. Sidney Rogers and the Christian Bikers group will talk to the Youth.

Trustees. Paul Branch said a new air system had been put into the parsonage. Joy Burroughs said she did not think it was working properly and has asked Floyd English to get Brett to check it. Norm Gehm says the facial boards on the church need repair. The pine trees have been cut down.

Finance - Howard Pittman. Budget. Age-level (Youth) to \$3000. Missions - increased by adding \$1500 for New Hope Girls Ranch. VeHorns need to be under Missions. Jeff Evans made the motion to leave \$18500. Jerry Kendall second. Passed.

Church School - Kathryn Branch. Had 72 last Sunday. Need to start attendance again from October through December.

Friends In Christ - Dianne Stanton. Collected money for the picnic. Turn out was good. Will meet this Saturday.

Men's Club - Will pay for tree cutting. Neal DeMercer will serve and speak in September.

Young Adults - Gray & Joy Burroughs. Working on something for Christmas.

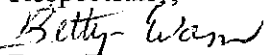
Older Adults - Joy Seekers will have a covered dish on Oct. 9 at 6:00.

Bill Ratliff made the motion to give Larry Grice \$300 and to take it out of Missions.

Pastor Dora told about the "Manhattan Declaration" - a statement about human life, marriage between a husband and wife, and religious freedom. There will be a broadcast on Sept. 19 and Oct. 30 about this. It is asking us to pray and fast for 40 days for our country. (Sep. 20 - Oct. 30)

Pastor Dora dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,

  
Betty Evans

Those attending: Dianne Stanton, Pastor Dora, Evelyn Smith, Elsie Graham, Bill Ratliff, Pat Ratliff, Kathryn Branch, Paul Branch, Marjorie Pittman, Howard Pittman, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Jerry Kendall, Norm Gehm, Mark Stubbs, Joy Burroughs, Gray Burroughs,

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
October 11, 2010

Dianne Stanton opened the meeting with the daily devotional "Careful Focus".  
Seventeen were present.

Minutes - Betty Evans. 2 corrections: 30 will take the survey and change the word "change" in paragraph one to "reduction". Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept. Howard Pittman second. Passed.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. Jeff made the motion to accept. Evelyn second. Passed.

Missions - Jeff Evans. Red Bird was successful. Have sent \$4000 to help keep the school open. Tentatively, have joined Spirit and Truth to help feed people. Gave \$250 to purchase food for 72 bags of food to give out.

Evangelism - Janet Sides. Are still contacting new people with a letter or card.

Nurture - Elsie Graham. Two at a time are going to visit shut-ins. They will make at least one visit or card per month. Then the next month they change names. This started in Oct.

Youth - Joy Burroughs. Their Harvest Sale will close soon. Then they will give a report on how well they did. She asked permission for the Youth to go snow tubing in January. They would also like to attend "Revolutions" the second weekend in February. They are trying to get more details on a host church in Columbia. They would also like to do a Fund Raiser on Dec. 10 - a pancake supper with Santa. They would also like to work at Samaritan's Purse with the shoe boxes. Marjorie and Howard Pittman will head this up. Kids will go to Charlotte, NC to work. They will call Don Evans about shoe boxes. Jeff Evans made the motion to approve all of these things for the Youth. Sidney McInnis second. Passed.

UM Kids - Mark Stubbs said Andrea Watson & Erin Blair want to take these kids to McArthur's Farm Oct. 23 and they want to use the bus. Jeff Evans said he would drive. They would leave at 10:00 AM. Erin will give out permission slips. Mark Stubbs made the motion for this. Kathryn Branch second. Passed. Andrea Watson said the kids will have a singing in Dec. and will have pizza afterwards. They will sing this Sunday in church.

Trustees - Sidney McInnis. Joy Burroughs said boards on church need replacing and the shrubs on the far end need cutting. Dianne Stanton said the choir room is leaking and so is the Fellowship Hall. Sidney said they had discussed the boarding and trim around the

windows and shingles on the parsonage. Chet Polson will check on these things. Sidney and Chet will find a contractor to do these. Paul Branch fixed the leak in the rental house and put stuff on the roof of the parsonage and Fellowship Hall. It has not rained yet to know if it still leaks. There will be a Work Day Saturday, October 16, 2010.

Men's Club - Sidney McInnis. Trees by parsonage and rental house have been cut.

Finance - Howard Pittman. We have a new copy of the budget. There is a change on the Pastor's expenses. And \$1000 was added to Miscellaneous.

Membership - We have 11 new members.

Friends In Christ - Dianne Stanton. Wanda Hayes will speak at their circle this Sat. They are getting ready for Oct. 27 - "Light the Night for Jesus". Youth will be in charge of games. Starts at 5:30. They have been asked to help Pee Dee Coalition to bake cupcakes (purple and white) for Oct. 21.

Older Adults - Mildred Perkins. Nov. 11 is Feed the Veterans. They have a sign up sheet in the hall. They will need help to do the cooking. Dec. 3 is the Christmas supper. It will cost \$7.50 and will be catered. This is half the cost. They are to bring gifts for Dundee. Shelia Lane is making bags for walkers/wheelchairs, etc.

Joy Burroughs said the School of Discovery has a more expensive type of Phone Tree and for that type someone has to go to the sight to make the original announcement. This was tabled for now.

Pastor Dora Gafford - The surveys have been ordered. She would like to have a dinner for the new members of the church and their mentors before the first of the year. She asked permission for the church to purchase the meat for this. Mildred made the motion. Elsie Graham second. Passed. Prayer on the Square is Nov. 11 at 4:00 PM. She is working on something for the Homecoming Celebration - 40th Year! She wants each family to consider giving an extra \$40 gift to missions to celebrate this. The joint Thanksgiving Service will be held at First Church on Nov. 21.

Pastor Dora dismissed us with prayer.

Respectfully,



Betty Evans

Those present: Paul Branch, Kathryn Branch, Howard Pittman, Marjorie Pittman, Dianne Stanton, Sidney McInnis, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans, Gray Burroughs, Joy Burroughs, Janet Sides, Mark Stubbs, Elsie Graham, Evelyn Smith, Andrea Watson, Mildred Perkins, Dora Gafford.



**Church Council**  
**Christ United Methodist Church - Nov. 8, 2010**

Dianne Stanton opened the meeting with the devotional, "That's A Mouthful". Seventeen were present. Mildred Perkins made the motion to give Pastor Dora \$200 from the church for Pastor Appreciation Day. Elsie Graham second this. Passed.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Howard Pittman made the motion to accept them. Second by Kathryn Branch. Passed.

Treasure's Report - Paul Branch. We owe one more apportionment payment. Dora will check on the final amount for this balance. Marjorie Pittman made the motion to accept. Mildred Perkins second. Passed.

Missions - Jeff Evans. They will meet tomorrow. They will discuss shoe boxes, Thanksgiving and Christmas meals and local mission work.

Lay Leader - Jeff Evans. A new bus was discussed. Can get a 26 passenger, gas engine for \$56,000. (800 to 3500 miles on these) Full warranties. Base rate is 7% now. Could use rental house money to pay most of the cost. We can get \$5000 for the old bus in Lumberton. Pastor Dora suggested donating it to Wallace Family Life. Discussion followed. Sidney McInnis made the motion to proceed with pursuing a loan for this. Joy Burroughs second. Passed. Jeff suggested we have a committee to look for a bus. The committee is Jeff Evans, Paul Branch, Sidney McInnis. Paul will check on the loan. Kathryn Branch made the motion to give the bus to Wallace Family Life, if they would accept it. Jerry Kendall second. Passed. Paul Branch made the motion to change the Bus Fund to a checking account and the rest of the money collected could go into that. Second by Marjorie Pittman. Taxes will be paid from the General Fund until the bus is paid for.

Worship - Sidney McInnis. He would like someone to take over being in charge of the ushers. Dianne Stanton said she would ask Mike Phy to do this.

Youth - Joy Burroughs. Will have a supper with Santa on Dec. 10 (6-9). Tickets will be \$5. Can have picture taken with Santa. A snow trip is scheduled for Jan. 21-23, 2011. Dec. 13 they will go to Charlotte to work at Samaritan's Purse at the Distribution Center. They will leave on the bus at 10:00 and work from 2-6 PM. They will go to Revolution Feb. 11-13 and will be housed at Epworth at no charge but will gladly accept donations. She asked permission to have a New Year's Eve party at the Methodist Family Center at First Church. \$5 admission. Dress up. (9 PM - 1 AM) Will sell food and snacks. Jerry Kendall made the motion to approve this. Jeff Evans second. Passed. Sidney McInnis said he would take care of getting paper towels hung in little bathroom beside Dianne's room. Dianne Stanton asked if Wednesday night count could be put in the bulletin.

My Kids - Andrea Watson. 13 kids and 3 adults went to the corn maze.

Family - Marjorie Pittman. Homecoming is this Sunday. Howard is assembling the shoe boxes.

Trustees. Sidney McInnis. Has two bids on doing repair work on the church. Needs one more. The rental house leak is fixed. Paul Branch fixed the ceiling in the Fellowship Hall. Some of the original ceiling panels were found in the attic. Chet Polson is checking on panic bars for the doors.

Finance - Howard. May fall a little short of the budget this year but it will be very close.

Membership - Jerry Kendall. We have 311 members.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. We had 71 in Sunday School last Sunday.

Friends In Christ - Dianne Stanton. Thanked the youth for helping with the Fall Get Together. There will be the Clemson vs. Carolina Food Drive Nov. 21. This food will go to "Feed the Need".

Men's Club - Sidney McInnis. They gave \$350 on the Shoe Box project.

Young Adults - Joy Burroughs. Bell rings too early. She made the motion to ring the first bell at 10:45 AM and the second bell at 10:50 AM. Jeff Evans second. Passed.

Joy Seekers - Mildred Perkins. They are feeding the veterans Thursday. Dec. 3 is their Christmas dinner. Steak supper. Money is due by Sunday.

Pastor Dora - Nov. 11 is Prayer on the Square. The Thanksgiving service will be held at First Church on Nov. 21. The new pastor at Trinity will deliver the message. She will give out the surveys after the first of the year. Jan. 2 she will have a Faith Promise service. Wants to do a dinner for new members before the end of the year. Christmas Eve Communion service will be held at 6: PM. She has asked everyone to donate \$40 for missions to be given by then. Nov. 23 at 5:30 we will meet to decorate the church. This will be instead of Wednesday night service. Nov. 28 she will do Hanging of the Greens.

Jeff Evans thanked Council for use of building to have a fund raiser for the Nicaragua trip in Feb. \$1000 was raised.

Jerry Kendall made the motion to dismissed.

Respectfully, Betty Evans *Betty Evans*

Those attending: Howard & Marjorie Pittman. Paul & Kathryn Branch, Jeff & Betty Evans, Mildred Perkins, Sidney McInnis, Jerry Kendall, Joy & Gray Burroughs, Elsie Graham, Evelyn Smith, Wanda Brigman, Andrea Watson, Dianne Stanton, Rev. Dora Gafford .

Church Council  
Christ United Methodist Church  
December 13, 2010

Dianne Stanton opened the meeting with a devotional titled "The Word Became Flesh". Sidney McInnis prayed. Ten were present.

Minutes - Betty Evans. Minutes of the last meeting were passed out. Bill Ratliff made the motion to accept them. Sidney McInnis second. Passed.

Treasure's report - Paul Branch. Money spent on Franklin Harley (Driggers family) - another group will repay part of this. Youth - \$1728.96 to Country Inn- will be replaced by MYF account. Dora is having Joy Burroughs bonded through the conference. Bus Fund - already started increasing. The deposit paid on the new bus came from the General Fund. Will finance \$50,000 for the new bus. Bill Ratliff made the motion to accept this report. Sidney second. Passed.

Missions - Jeff Evans. When he gave the mission moment in church yesterday, he told what they had done this year. This totaled close to \$50,000. Shoe boxes - Charlotte processed 2,060,000 boxes this year at their facility. Jeff and the Youth took our boxes up today. Our church does a lot of local missions also. New bus - \$56,861. This includes the taxes. Palmetto Bus Company in Columbia. It should be here the last week of January or the first of February. It will have less than 150 miles on it because it will be delivered here from the factory. The old bus will be donated to Wallace Family Life. They have two certified drivers there.

Nurture - Elsie Graham. They sent out Thanksgiving cards and about 20 cards today. They will not meet this month.

Younger Youth - Mark Stubbs. Andrea Watson is doing a great job with the singers from this group.

MYF - Betty Evans spoke for Joy & Gray Burroughs. The New Year Eve dance has been cancelled. They would like to see the phone tree investigated further. Dianne will talk to Dora about this. Would like the bell to ring a little later. Discussion followed this.

Bill Ratliff - need to approve Christmas bonuses. Bill made the motion for the following: Rev. Dora Gafford - \$300, Carolyn English - \$150, and Blanche Sanchez - \$100. Jeff Evans second. Passed. Paul will give Bill checks for this. PPRC (Wanda Brigman) will get the cards for these.

Trustees - Sidney McInnis. Bids for work on church: One bid came in too high (Ronald Locklear), the man from NC did not accept because it would cost him too much to get licensed for SC, and the Bennettsville man was too busy for such a small project. They will continue to find a contractor. It may be Spring before it gets done. Jeff suggested putting an add in the paper. Sidney will talk to the Trustees about this.

Friends In Christ - Dianne Stanton. Food from the Carolina vs. Clemson was taken to Spirit and Truth. They will go to Dundee Saturday at 2:30 on Dec. 18.

Men's Club - Sidney McInnis. No speaker at last meeting. Paul Branch Jr. had the meal. Ladies night was Dec. 7 at Sandy Ocean. They paid for the widows to go. Had 59. They will discuss the Barbeque at the January meeting. They need to work on their attendance.

Sunday School - Kathryn Branch. Last 11 weeks attendance averaged 64.

Dora wanted us to make a decision about the color for the rugs - brown was chosen.

Bill Ratliff adjourned us with prayer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Evans".

Betty Evans

Those in attendance: Mark Stubbs, Sidney McInnis, Bill Ratliff, Kathryn Branch, Paul Branch, Howard Pittman, Elsie Graham, Dianne Stanton, Jeff Evans, Betty Evans.