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Deacon Agenda

July 9, 2019

Deacons Present: Todd Hopkins; Chad Kaemingk; Nate Kruse; Darin Svennes; Cory Wellnitz; Bret Wynja

Deacons Absent:

Others Present: Mary Morgan, Executive Pastor

Mercy, Service, and Outreach

- Leaders in ministries of service
- Serve those in distress and need
- Minister to the sick, poor, hurt, and helpless
- Aid the victims of the world's abuse
- Express the social concerns of the church
- Show compassion and manifest the love and care of Christ

Acts of Mercy / Service

Benevolence Request

Thank you note for anonymous donor for the Safe Families for Children host family child care bill.

Pastor Discretion Fund

David Marrowbone (605-519-0137) stopped looking for gas money. He said he has an appointment The Community Outreach on Thursday, June 20. He left Rapid City and his job when his wife Collette who was hospitalized from May 24 through June 7 due to significant surgery on her nose (internally). They are staying (or hoping to stay? Not sure) at AGP Studio Apartments, and he is looking for work but also needs to be there for continuing care for his wife. I told The Community Outreach that we are willing to help with gas money up to \$50. He was also looking for food they could eat in their apt, and I said that perhaps you could help with a referral to the food pantry. Following is the response from The Community Outreach: "We met with David this morning. Unfortunately, his car is not insured at this time, so we were unable to help with gas. He said he is looking for liability coverage and I advised him to come back to our office once he secures this so we can help with a gas voucher at that time.

There is no referral needed for the Feeding South Dakota food pantry, so I gave David our food resource handout. It has information on Feeding South Dakota, as well as numerous other food giveaways and local meals served. We were also able to help him with \$40 for

the Goodwill so he could get a few needed clothing and household items.”

We reimbursed The Community Outreach \$40 to the Goodwill.

Missions Policy – Continue work on our Missions Policy. See above list under “Mercy, Service, and Outreach.”

JJ TenClay (jjtenclay@rca.org) talked to the deacons about the misunderstanding regarding her current role with the RCA as a missionary with immigrants at our May meeting. No decision made about reconsidering our decision to discontinue our support. RECAP: See May Deacon Minutes.

David Glader with the Union Gospel Mission (605-941-8510); daveglader@msn.com) talked with deacons about Good News Church partnering with them to serve with this transformational and catalytic mission at our May meeting. No decision was made. RECAP: See May Deacon minutes.

Missions Policy – potential guidelines for future focus and decision-making

Refresh your memory on the document from the March meeting. “What are some criteria that a mission committee might use in deciding which missionaries and projects to support?”

As we’ve worked these past months, what has God been telling us about the vision we’re to move toward with our missions? What long and short term goals will help get us there? With all that we’ve researched and heard from those requesting our support, what guidelines do we want to set that will help lead us toward that vision?

A-D Todd Hopkins Prayer Request Actions

Jay and Linda Beek and family are fostering two boys.

Aimee Brodkorb's mother, Ruth Waldner, suffered a stroke. Although her mom continues to struggle with high blood pressure, some confusion & balance, thankfully, her stroke was minor & drs feel there should be no residual side effects. She's to remain in the hospital until her BP and confusion improve.

Sally Brondsema's recent MRIs and PET scan showed no active cancer. She continues with periodic chemo infusions.

Chris and Alisha DeHaan are fostering four children.

Tonya Brockmueller's mom, Shirley Van Peurse, is receiving maintenance treatment for breast cancer.

Center of Hope requested prayers for their volunteers and employees as a beloved guest, Ken Gunderson, passed away after being involved in a car-bicycle crash on 6/11.

E-H Chad Kaemingk Prayer Request Actions

Susan Endres has ongoing debilitating back pain.

Renae Gingrich's dad is receiving treatment for multiple myeloma.

Good News Children's Center 1) that the Holy Spirit would work in the hearts of the children as they hear and learn about God's word; 2) For the teachers to have patience, grace & endurance as they teach & address behaviors with challenging children; 3) For the dad

of 6- and 8-yr, who has been diagnosed with cancer; 4) For 2 families going through divorce; 5) For a family with 6 kids (3 attend GNCC) who along with their mom left a very abusive relationship. The abuser is in jail, but is being released & so the mom & children are needing to move in fear that her abuser will come back to find them; 6) That God would send families to fill our open spots in the 1- and 2-year-old rooms.

Carissa Hanisch is being treated for a chronic illness.

Jeff Hanisch is undergoing workup for cardiac problems. Prayers are appreciated for the diagnostic process and for patience, peace and calm as they wait for results.

Danica Hanson requested prayers for her coworker, Kathy, & adult son, Michael, who was diagnosed with Hodgkins lymphoma and is not doing well.

Curtis Henery's father, Roger Henery, passed away Sat., 6/22/19.

I-L Darin Svennes Prayer Request Actions

Gene Knock is in Palisade Manor and receiving hospice care.

Taylor Hetland's grandpa, Royce Hetland, age 81, peacefully went home to Jesus today. Taylor is the fiancée of Tyler Van Voorst, Good News Connections Pastor.

Marilyn Larson is starting in-home hospice care. Recent PET scan showed no new cancer in any organs, but her primary area of cancer is progressing and there are no more options to treat it. Her doctors estimate she has approximately 6 months.

Frances Lee is in the nursing home.

Michelle Krier's cousin, Rhonda Imbery, continues to receive chemotherapy for cancer.

M-P Bret Wynja Prayer Request Actions

Laura Minor is being treated for thyroid cancer.

Gertrude Overweg is a shut-in.

Scott Oden's mom is being treated for breast cancer.

Ron and Linda Ortman's son-in-law, Richard, is undergoing treatment for aggressive cancer but continues to be weak and tired. Recent tests are inconclusive.

Pvt Mady Obang Oweet (son of Scott & June Odens) will be serving in Germany.

R-T Nate Kruse Prayer Request Actions

Lance Roseland continues with treatment for APL, a type of leukemia.

Rosa Schepel has metastatic liver cancer.

Brett Smith's stepdad, Chris, has metastatic cancer but is receiving immunotherapy treatment and periodic infusions and doing well with that.

U-Z Cory Wellnitz Prayer Request Actions

Kaylene Van Lingen had foot surgery several weeks ago & fell 6/30 injuring her shoulder & surgical foot/leg. She had x-rays, and all looked ok but will need to continue using the scooter.

Tyler Van Voorst's fiancé, Taylor Hetland's, grandpa, Royce Hetland, age 81, peacefully went home to Jesus today.

Cora Van Der Ziel is in Dow Rummel.

Bret & Cambria Wynja & family welcomed their baby boy, Tucker, on 6/09/19.

Stewardship

- Gather and distribute the offerings of the congregation
- Give personal attention to the distressed
- Responsible for all congregational concerns such as providing for the support of the Minister of the Word and Sacrament
- Exercising careful stewardship of all funds, goods, and properties

Stewardship of Finances

Financials – Todd Hopkins

Stewardship of Facilities and Property

Maintenance Report – Included with pre-meeting information.

Paint for East wing – Upper level needs paint and lower level needs touch-ups. Matt Moen had said he was interested but has since resigned. The upper level needs to be done before the week of August 22. See quote received from Chad Kaemingk's contact.

Kortan Memorial Stone - What are we going to do with the Kortan memorial stone that was in the old sign? It is behind the garage. Awaiting Darrell Kortan's design and quote from his friend, who is a landscaper.

Stewardship Education

What will the deacons do to educate people on giving in 2019?

Educating people on the purpose of this year's building fund.

3 Min. Video of missionaries we support. Waiting for missions policy.

Need a letter for a statement that will be sent mid-July or early August.

Other