

Forestville Wesleyan

163 years of ministry, 2021



Beloved
Being Belonging Becoming

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163rd Local Church Conference Agenda
Sunday, June 6 at 1:00pm



Our Mission, To be lifelong followers of Jesus Christ and co-laborers with Him.

Our Message, To be redeemed in the wholeness of love by living a life centered in relationship with Jesus Christ, rejecting self-reliance and walking with each other as a beloved community.

Order of Business

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Our mission and message
 - B. Prayer
- II. Verification of the Roll
- III. Reports
 - A. Secretary
 - B. Local Board of Administration Action Summary
 - C. Senior Pastor
 - D. Assistant Pastor
 - E. Lay Minister
 - F. Sunday School
 - G. Treasurer
 - H. Youth Financial
 - I. Trustee
 - I. Building Financial
 - J. Missions and Outreach
 - J. Mission Financial
 - K. Neighbor to Neighbor
 - L. Neighbor to Neighbor Financial
 - M. Auditor
- IV. Business
 - A. Member Recognition
 - B. Elections
 - 1. Appointment of Tellers
 - 2. Nominating Committee Report
 - C. 2021-2022 Church Budget
 - D. Outlook for the Upcoming Conference Year
 - 1. Ministry Initiatives
 - 2. Ministry Events
 - E. Other Business
- VI. Prayer
- VII. Adjournment

Local Church Conference Minutes
Sunday, May 19, 2019 at 1:00 pm

- I. Call to Order 1:07 pm
 - A. Prayer – Pastor Bruce prayed at 1:11 pm
 - B. Our mission, message and method
 - Our mission**, To become lifelong followers of Jesus Christ, living holy lives of love and service, inviting others to discover God’s goodness and grace.
 - Our message**, To turn from sin and join God’s family trusting in the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ.
 - Our method**, To be transformed by our relationship with Jesus, serving God’s purpose and walking together as brothers and sisters in Christ.

- II. Verification of the Roll – 21 members present, (19 members voted)
 - A. Present at the meeting: Trish Beitz, Doug Day, Bruce Ellis, Patti Ellis, Joshua Ellis, Mary Joan Fleming, Lawrence Gollnitz Sr, Larry Gollnitz Jr, David Holland Jr, Debbie Powell, Darci Paul, Kay Richard, Debbie Rodriguez, Crystal Rose-Williams, Rebecca Thornton, Lenette Wdowiasz, Shawna Wickmark, Gloria Windsor, Jane Wright, Richard Wright;
 - B. Brief discussion of overall membership – removals
 - C. 43 members total

- III. Reports
 - A. Secretary
 - B. Local Board of Administration Action Summary
 - C. Pastor
 - D. Assistant Pastor
 - E. Youth Financial
 - F. Treasurer
 - G. Scholarship Financial
 - H. Sunday School / Christian Education
 - I. Trustee
 - I. Building Financial
 - J. Missions and Outreach
 - J. Mission Financial – able to have surplus and distribute funds to other projects guided/directed by Missions Committee
 - K. Neighbor to Neighbor Financial
 - L. Auditor – Church Treasurer (General) report – reported \$154 for Missions erroneously deposited in Building Fund, will correct and redeposit in correct accounts
 - M. Jane Wright motioned to approve above reports, Trish Beitz gave support, all in favor – motion approved

- IV. Business
 - A. Member Recognition
 - 1. Members removed from membership: Josh DeGolier, Kimberly Gollnitz – of their own accord
 - i. Judi Rose transferred membership to Nazarene Church but still listed in church journal as member
 - 2. Transfer of membership
 - 3. Member Recognition
 - 4. Servant Award: Gloria Windsor
 - 5. New Member
 - B. Elections
 - 1. Appointment of Election Tellers
 - i. Doug Day made the motion, Debbie Day gave support, to appoint Dylan Hawkins as an election teller, all in favor – motion approved.
 - 2. Nominating Committee Report
 - i. Names on ballot as per Nominating Committee

- ii. Jane Wright made the motion to add Debbie Powell's name on ballot for Nominating 2020 Nominating Committee, Doug Day gave support, motion carried
- iii. Debbie Day made the motion to add Crystal Rose-Williams's name on ballot for Nominating 2020 Nominating Committee, Doug Day gave support, motion carried
- iv. Trish Beitz made the motion to add Rich Wrigts's name on ballot for Nominating 2020 Nominating Committee, Doug Day gave support, motion carried
- v. Doug Day made the motion to add Kay Richard's name on ballot for Nominating 2020 Nominating Committee, Trish Beitz gave support, motion carried
- vi. Kay Richard motioned to close/approve nominations for committee, Debbie Rodriguez gave support, all in favor – motion approved

C. Elected to 2019-2020 LBA

- i. Secretary – Shawna Wickmark
- ii. Treasurer – Trish Beitz
- iii. Sunday School Superintendent – Darci Paul
- iv. Trustee – Larry Gollnitz Sr.
- v. Director of Missions – Jane Wright
- vi. Member at Large – Rebecca Thornton
- vii. Church Auditor – Allen Chase
- viii. Offering Tellers – Lenette Wdowiasz
Debbie Powell
- ix. Alternate Tellers – Debbie Rodriguez
Kay Richard
- x. Assistant Treasurer – Sylvester Cleary
- xi. 2019 Conference Delegate – Paul Knoop
- xii. 2019 Conference Alternate – Mark Powell
- xiii. Conference Alternate (second alternate) – Shawna Wickmark
 - 1. As of 2019, due to district recalculation, this church will only need one (1) conference delegate each year (was changed in prior year to two (2) delegates)
 - 2. We will also vote for delegate for current year (2019)
- xiv. 2020 Nominating Committee:
 - 1. Rich Wright
 - 2. Crystal Rose-Williams
 - 3. Debbie Powell

***Please note that Dave Holland and Crystal Rose-Williams were present for conference but did not vote in the election**

D. Church Budget

- 1. Total church budget increase by 2.5% for 2019-2020
- 2. The LBA voted to increase Pastor's salary by 4%;
- 3. Doug Day made motion, Lenette Wdowiasz seconded to approve new items, all in favor – motion approved
- 4. Kay Richard made motion to include Joshua's insurance and \$720 increase to church budget, Darci Paul gave support, motion approved
- 5. May 2019 (budget is set for May 2019 to April 2020) not included in budget presented

E. New Business

F. Outlook for the Upcoming Conference Year

- 1. Projects
- 2. Ministry Events

G. Other Business

VI. Prayer

VII. Adjournment – Joshua Ellis motion to adjourn at 2:31 pm, Trish seconded, all in favor – motion approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shawna Rose-Wickmark
May 19, 2019

Local Board of Administration Summary of Action

May 1, 2020 - April 30, 2021

1. Approved the purchase of a new/used copier for up to \$1,000
2. Approved the replacement/purchase of parsonage storm doors, holding tank and fix the plumbing in parsonage basement
3. Approved to forward the assessment surplus (overpaid for last quarter due to COVID forgiveness of assessment payment) to another church in need as per the District Superintendent
4. Approved to keep Dylan Hawkins at his current position and appoint him as Local Lay Minister
5. Approved the purchase to new TV for conference room
6. Elected Darci Paul as vice chairman of the Local Board of Administration.
7. Designated three months to request funds for auxiliary accounts: March (Missions), July (Family Camp). September (Education).
8. Created internship position for Summer 2020.
9. Approved Joshua Ellis as intern for Summer 2020.
10. Recommended Dylan Hawkins for District Board MD.
11. Approved the plan for the annual church conference for the end of June 2020 - if unable to have in-person conference, then the conference will be postponed until 2021.
12. Approved the assistance of church to help with the planning/hosting of a Medical Staff/Forestville Music Outreach project.
13. Appointed Crystal Rose-Williams as Neighbor to Neighbor Treasurer.
14. Approved the storage of salt/gravel by Matthew Ellis on Forestville property.
15. Approved the purchase of Media Shout 7 for worship.
16. Approved the purchase of Boom Stand.
17. Approved the purchase of books for professional development for church staff.

Who could have imagined the journey of the past year? We have grieved the experience of brokenness and bitter division in the midst of crisis. The walls constructed from the fear of uncertainty have revealed the insufficiency of a self-reliant culture, church and nation. This has revealed our deep need for restoration as disciples of Christ and calling to serve as agents of healing in the world. We must grow to live in the fullness of His life and in the hope in His power.

The year has afforded time to significantly invest in prayer, fasting, conversations around scripture and reading together with individuals. The experience has shaped focus and personal character that comes from fullness in relationship with Christ. We are purposed to develop Christ centered disciples that are growing in emotional health, connecting in life giving relationships and engaging in service that demonstrates the love of God. This is not a program or an event but a slow intentional process that becomes all that we are to live the kingdom of God. The personal growth in character is not an external force that imposes restriction to modify behavior. There is an emergent non-negotiable integrity reflecting the character of God that comes from a heart full of the love of Christ. Our work is growth in abiding with Him.

The 2021 theme "**Beloved**" seemed to be a natural progression from our 2020 theme of "Walking in the Way." Belovedness is a journey of deeply understanding our **being** in God's eyes. This requires the uncomfortable exposure of all the forgotten or secret places of our hearts to discover the embrace and healing of God's love. We can only experience the full work of this love in relationship with Him and others. The act of communion reminds us of this truth that we are made one, **belonging** to and for each other. Always **becoming** is the constant rest/work of abiding in Christ which matures us from self-reliance. God accomplishes this work as we learn how to surrender all that we manage, possess and control. We then can know what it is to be made one in His love.

Overview:

- We spent most of the year suspended from face to face activity.
- We connected digitally whenever possible. *i.e. prayer, small group meetings, S.S., worship, morning reflections*
- We worshipped outdoors from June to September. We were provided with warm and dry Sundays.
- Twice, we provided music as an outreach of encouragement at the Forestville Farmers Market.
- Many building projects were completed and the fellowship hall repair/remodel is ongoing. *Details of these projects are listed in the Trustee report*
- We began the monthly men's fellowship breakfasts in March.
- A primary investment throughout the year has been in prayer, fasting and study.
- We connected with other pastors for prayer and fasting throughout the year.
- Joshua Ellis interned during the summer leading staff book study, preaching, worship planning, teaching, and assisting with maintenance projects.
- Participated in 2 Emotionally Healthy Discipleship webinars.
- I began serving as a point person for district pastoral care.
- I fulfilled pastoral responsibilities and endeavored to live as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

The L.B.A. completed a pastoral call review with the District Superintendent recommending continuing the extended call. The next call review will take place in 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,

Reverend Bruce Ellis

Assistant Pastor's Report 2020-2021

Music

I want to begin by giving a HUGE thank you to our worship team: Celeste Allen, Ryan and Darci Paul, Joshua Ellis, and Dylan Hawkins. Their commitment to our music ministry throughout the pandemic has truly been a blessing. As we resumed meeting in person for outdoor worship (July-September), their willingness to not only share in music, but to help with setting up all of the equipment and tearing it down every week was immeasurable. I am so grateful for our Thursday night rehearsals and for the worship sets they led March-June.

It was a blessing to have Joshua serve as a summer intern last year and to have his help in introducing new music, planning and singing with the worship team.

We had the opportunity to provide music twice at the Forestville Farmer's Market. The first time was an outreach to raise money to help the Forestville fire department. Thank you to all who participated.

Our Christmas season looked quite a bit different this year. Since we were unable to meet together for our traditional celebration through music, we held an on-line carol sing. We prepared some carols and other holiday songs, then opened it up for those who were listening (and hopefully singing along) on-line to message our Facebook feed with requests for their favorites. Thank you again to our worship team for their willingness and flexibility and to Ryan and Dylan for being so tech savvy. Being able to play piano for our traditional Christmas Eve communion was also a highlight for me.

We have been blessed by Celeste's willingness to share her gifts and talents. We will miss her rich contralto and her ability to harmonize with absolutely anything. We wish her all of God's richest blessings and joy as she begins a new chapter in her life with her marriage to Nate McCormick. As Celeste leaves, we are glad to welcome back Simona Lukasik and Adam Lukasik. It is such a privilege to be able to minister with this team God has assembled.

Throughout the year, I have continued to organize, plan and rehearse music for worship and other services including the wedding of Dave and Angel Holland and the funerals of Shelley Williams, Jane Wright and Robert Howard.

Miscellaneous Ministries

Taught Adult Sunday School/Saturday School classes
Shared Thursday/Friday morning reflections

Attended LDJ meetings(as able)
Participated in 'Restore' prayer and fasting times
Participated in 'Beloved' zoom meetings
Participated in prayer meetings
Served at Neighbor to Neighbor as available
Preached quarterly
Helped clean church and annex as needed
Hosted guests(not as many as usual)
Helped set up and take down Christmas decorations
Helped with Easter basket outreach
Helped with meals for Men's breakfast, food pantry, those with health issues
Counseled
Worked 2-4 days/week at Fredonia Pediatric and Adolescent Dentistry

The phrase 'ebb and flow' comes to mind as I think over this past year. To be clear, ebb and flow refers to the inward and outward movement of ocean tides, to the constant fluctuation of decline and increase. We have all certainly found ourselves in this constant place of change and movement. As much as I love to watch the ebb and flow of the ocean and lake, I must confess, I am not always a fan of it in life. I like constancy. There is only one place to find that in the continual motion or rhythm for our lives...in the love of Christ. He is our hope and anchor in the ebb and flow. In the ebb of loss, of illness, of missed gatherings, of grief and disappointment, of social injustice....
In the flow of celebration(Joshua's graduation to name one), of family gathering together once again, of deeds of kindness, of reconciliation....the song writer says...

"This one thing remains....Your love never fails, it never gives up, it never runs out on me...because on and on and on and on it goes, it overwhelms and satisfies my soul, And I never ever have to be afraid..One thing remains, yes one thing remains.....Your love."

Thank God for His constancy in the ebb and flow of His church and our lives. May our dependency on Him continue to grow as we continue to love and serve Him and others in this new landscape of 'church'.

Respectfully submitted,



Rev. Patricia Ellis

YOUTH OVERVIEW:

- Last year we eagerly looked forward to launching a teen youth program and throughout the summer of 2020 I met with 3 different teens, although never all three at once. Meetings with one of the teens continued through the early part of the fall. As Covid made more of an impact in Chautauqua County, we missed several weeks of engagement due to abundance of precaution and awaiting test results. As winter began, the teen, who was actively involved in hockey, was unable to meet.

ASSISTANT'S ROLE OVERVIEW:

- Throughout the year, I met weekly with Pastor Bruce to read, study, pray and cast vision for the Church. I led Monday Morning Reflections each week, engaged in 12 Step Ministry and worked at Neighbor to Neighbor Food Pantry where I created our grocery ordering system which allowed volunteers to maintain safe distance and gave clients a choice as to which foods they wanted.
- I helped to lead our transition to online service and worked to improve the streaming experience through the integration of MediaShout7 and OBS Studio. I also continued to improve the content and functionality of our website, ForestvilleWesleyan.com. I developed Worship slide shows and Announcement Slides.
- I preached on August 16th, October 18th, November 8th, February 7th, February 17th (Ash Wednesday) and April 18th.
- In June and July, I led the Discussion and Prayer Meeting, Jesus and Justice: A Conversation about Racial Reconciliation.
- In July, I served on the Special Event Committee that created the Farmer's Market concert series that raised over \$1,000 for Forestville's new fire truck.
- In August, as a result of the Jesus and Justice conversations, we started meeting with other local pastors and began to develop the Restore Project. We met monthly for 5 months and for several months we met twice weekly for prayer and fasting. We participated in Resurgence City Backpack Day and handed out 100 backpacks and school supplies to neighborhood kids.
- In the Fall, we began work on the Fellowship Hall, I helped with the preparation for construction and developed renderings for the interior remodeling. A project that continued through the winter and is ongoing.
- In January, I contracted Covid-19. The experience was physically, emotionally and spiritually draining, but I am grateful for the love of this community that helped me through.
- In February, I had the opportunity to pray with an individual at the end of life.
- Lent was a spiritual journey through the discipline of fasting culminating in Holy Week. The discipline helped to reveal attitudes, behaviors and things that I have all too often put in the place of God. As a result of that journey, through April, I practiced relying on the fullness of God instead of relying on my coping skills.
- In March and April I led a 6 week Zoom Class focused on our theme "Belovedness" The casual format used short youtube videos and 20 minute conversations twice during the week to connect and consider what it means to be "God's Beloved".

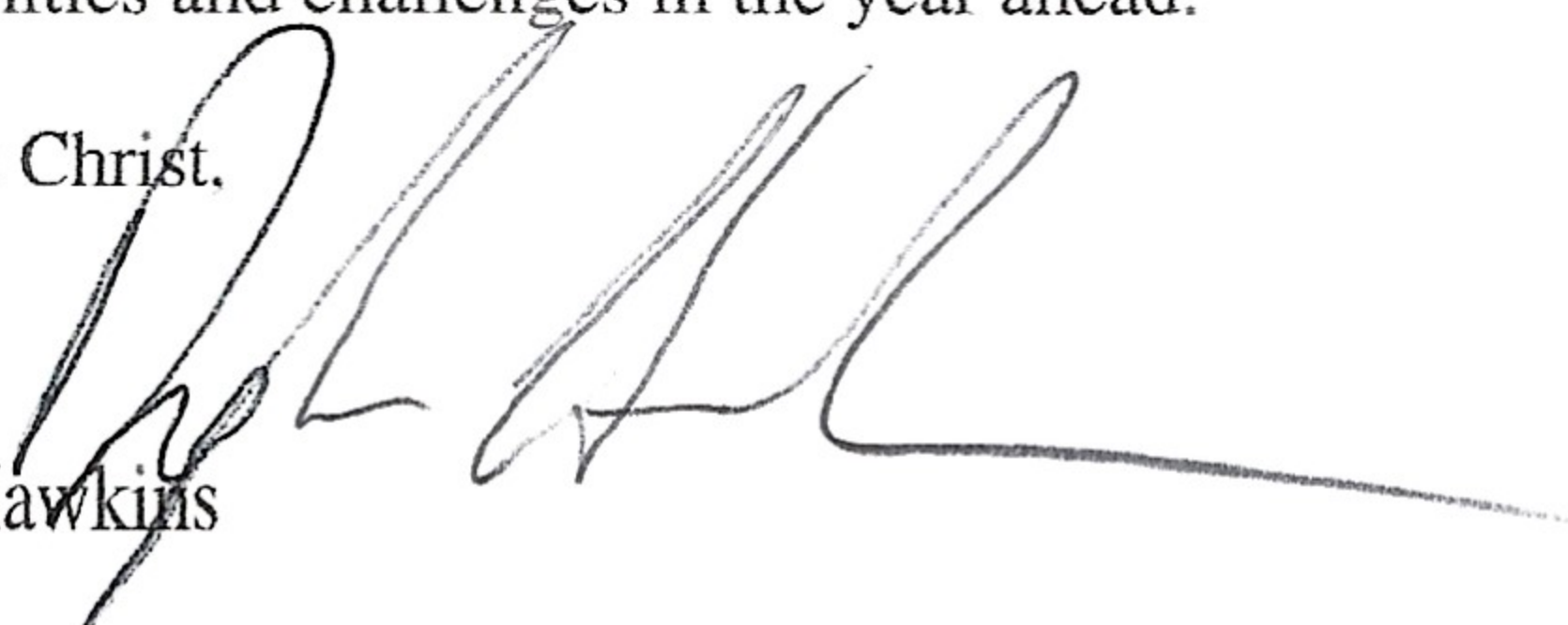
GOALS:

- Recasting the vision for Youth Ministry by shifting the focus from trying to gather youth, to finding time to connect with youth and their families.
- Developing a young adult ministry with the intent of creating and equipping disciples for ministry inside and outside of the church.
- Mental Health Initiative for Neighbor to Neighbor Food Pantry. Connecting clients with providers and finding partnerships to provide funding.
- Take the next step in the Ministry Credentialing process to become a Licensed Minister.
- Continue to engage in the work of the redemption of this world through following Jesus.

I am blessed to serve, and be served by, you. The love of Christ is abundant in this community. I am looking forward to the opportunities and challenges in the year ahead.

Yours in Christ,

Dylan Hawkins



Sunday School Superintendent

2020-2021 Yearly Report

<p>Teacher's responsibilities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be prepared each week with a lesson that connects students with the relevancy of scripture and challenges students to live biblical truth 2. Be timely to start classes, teachers of younger students should be in the classroom by 9:55am 3. Be praying for your students each week 4. Be sure all of your prospective students and absentees are contacted on a regular basis 5. Contact Sunday Superintendent as soon as you know you will not be there for your class 6. Communicate with the Sunday Superintendent with any needs or concerns <i>(i.e. supplies, unresolved behavioral concerns)</i> 	<p>Curriculum Goals:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To be familiar with the books of the Bible and where to find them 2. To memorize the Lord's prayer, the apostles creed and the 10 commandments 3. To understand the qualities of God's character and His work 4. To have a working knowledge of God's plan of salvation 5. To have a working knowledge of the key themes of the Bible 6. To memorize one scripture verse each month appropriate to the lesson or theme 7. To practice applying God's truth to everyday life 8. To offer opportunities for students to accept Jesus's invitation of forgiveness and fellowship
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Average Class Attendance

	PreK-1 st	2 nd -5 th	6 th -12 th	Adult
June 2020	1-4 via Zoom	-	-	5-10 via Zoom
July	1 in-person	1 in person	1 in person	5-10 in person & Zoom
August	1-3 in person	1 in person	1 in person	5-10 in person & Zoom
September	1-2 in person	-	-	5-10 in person & Zoom
October	1-3 in person	-	-	8-10 in person & Zoom
November	1-3 in person	-	-	8-10 in person & Zoom
December	1 in person	-	-	3-8 in person & Zoom
January 2021	1-3 in person & Zoom	-	-	5-10 in person & Zoom
February	3 in person & Zoom	-	-	5-10 in person & Zoom
March	1-3 in person	-	-	5 in person & Zoom
April	1 in person	-	-	5 in person & Zoom

Jr. Church

- No regular meetings due to coronavirus precautions
- Easter Sunday 2021: 4 students

Special Events

- Children's Ministry Project 2021: 30 Easter Baskets assembled and delivered to children and families in the church and surrounding community.

Covid-19 Efforts

- Use of Zoom to include students virtually each week

Superintendent Activities

- Served as a local church board member, attended all meetings
- Taught PreK-2nd Grade Sunday School Classes
- Attended Adult Sunday school classes as able
- Served as a worship team member, attended rehearsals and Sunday morning services
- Assisted with Thursday evening music on Facebook live with the Worship Team (April-August)
- Volunteered weekly at the Neighbor to Neighbor food pantry
- Served as an alternative offering teller

- Committee member for ForestFest 2020
- Assisted with music for ForestFest 2020
- Assisted with odd jobs at the church as able
- Attended and provided music at the Celebration of Life service for Jane Wright
- Provided meals for Wright family
- Assisted with music for the Ash Wednesday service and Sunday, April 18

Future Goals

- Family Fun Events for summer 2021
- Re-boot the Sunday School program
- Rebuild the Jr. Church program

This year has been filled with many new adventures from adjusting to online church services and classes, finding creative ways to maintain connection with the congregation, returning to in person services and classes with new safety protocols, and experiencing another tough loss within our church family. Nothing is too big for God. I am thankful for this truth this year especially, as we have walked through countless challenging and exciting adventures. We will continue to explore what God has for us in the coming year. Please continue to pray for and engage in the ministry here at Forestville Wesleyan.

Respectfully submitted,



Darci Paul
Sunday School Superintendent, 2020-2021

Forestville Wesleyan
Treasurer's Year End Report
May 2020 - April 2021

Beginning Balance **\$ 41,873.76**

Receipts

Tithes and Offerings	\$ 72,232.59	
Other	\$ 0.00	
Total Receipts		\$ 72,232.59

Disbursements

Pastoral Salary	\$ 26,000.00	
Travel reimbursement	\$ 2,004.00	
Wesleyan Pension	\$ 3,120.00	
Health Insurance <i>(Pastor & Joshua)</i>	\$ 480.00	
Life Insurance	\$ 384.00	
Sabbatical account	\$ 600.00	
Parsonage Utilities <i>(electric, phone, fuel)</i>	\$ 2,848.06	
Parsonage Expenses <i>(furnace service, septic, etc.)</i>	\$ 700.00	
Retreats	\$ 0.00	
Total Pastoral Expenses		\$ 36,136.06

Assistant Pastor salary	\$ 2,400.00	
Assistant Pastor health insurance	\$ 240.00	
Assistant salary	\$ 13,100.00	
Internship <i>(Joshua Ellis)</i>	\$ 2,000.00	
Workman's Comp.	\$ 398.28	
Outreach/Ministry	\$ 187.00	
Speaking Stipend <i>(J. Quales)</i>	\$ 400.00	
District Assessment	\$ 6,960.00	
Equipment	\$ 1,753.03	
Church Utilities <i>(electric, phone, fuel, DFT)</i>	\$ 3,222.25	
Maintenance Service	\$ 2,100.00	
Supplies	\$ 2,727.25	
Church Services <i>(tax prep, piano, ADT, trash, furnace, etc)</i>	\$ 2,098.64	
Property/Liability Insurance	\$ 2,735.52	
Taxes	\$ 121.04	
Online Subscriptions/Licensing	\$ 367.23	
Gifts	\$ 280.00	
Total Church Expenses		\$ 41,090.24

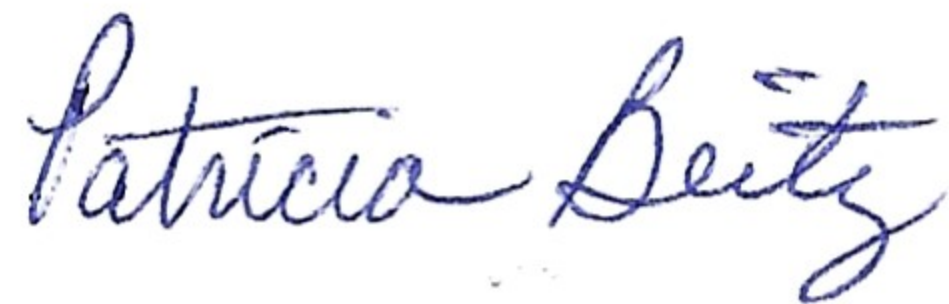
Fellowship Hall Utilities	\$	869.89
Fellowship Hall Supplies	\$	262.51
Fellowship Hall Services	\$	210.00
Fellowship Hall Capital Improvement	\$	4,595.44
Total Fellowship Hall Expenses		\$ 5,937.84

Total Disbursements **\$ 83,164.14**

Ending Balance **\$ 30,942.21**

Balance in Education Fund as of 4/30/21: **\$ 290.94**
Balance in Sabbatical Fund as of 4/30/21: **\$ 2,903.27**

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia Beitz, Treasurer



6460 Main Street
Williamsville, NY 14221

Address Service Requested

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Education Fund

Forestville Wesleyan Church
9603 Prospect Rd
Forestville NY 14062-9518

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Account No. 10097020
Date 04/30/21

Thinking of a home renovation but unsure how to pay for it? Let Evans Bank show you how to take advantage of the equity in your home. Call 1.844.MYEVANS (1.844.693.8267) for more information.

STATEMENT SUMMARY AS OF 04/30/21

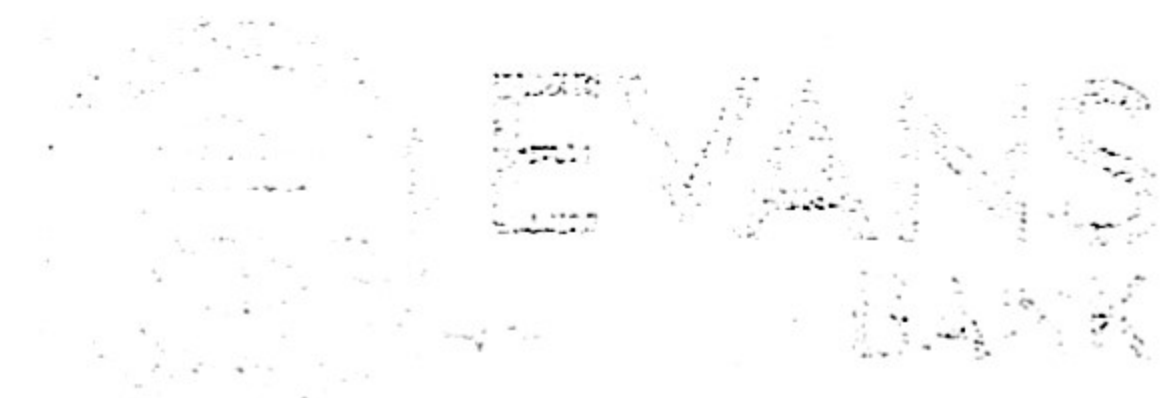
Account Name	Account Number	Balance
NON-PROFIT ORG CHECKING	10097020	290.94

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Summary of Activity Since Your Last Statement

Beginning Balance	4/01/21	290.94	
Deposits / Misc Credits	0	.00	
Withdrawals / Misc Debits	0	.00	
** Ending Balance	4/30/21	290.94	**
Service Charge		.00	





6460 Main Street
Williamsville, NY 14221

Address Service Requested

Sabbatical Fund

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Account No. 20002606
Date 04/30/21

To allow our customers unlimited access to their funds, Evans Bank is eliminating the 6 transaction per monthly cycle limit on pre-authorized, automatic, electronic banking card and telephonic transfers to another deposit account with us or to a third party, which was previously in effect for Savings and Money Market accounts.

STATEMENT SAVINGS Acct 20002606

Summary of Activity Since Your Last Statement

Beginning Balance	4/01/21	2,853.27	
Deposits / Misc Credits	1	50.00	
Withdrawals / Misc Debits	0	.00	
** Ending Balance	4/30/21	2,903.27	**
Service Charge		.00	
Average Collected Balance		2,871	
Minimum Balance		2,853	

Miscellaneous Debits & Credits

Date	Activity Description	Deposits	Withdrawals	Balance
4/20	savings	50.00		2,903.27



**Youth Treasury Report
2020-2021**

Income

Balance forwarded	\$1196.38
Fundraisers(flower sale)	.00
Donations	.00

Total	\$.00
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Disbursements

Fundraisers	\$.00
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Year End Balance	\$1196.38
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Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Patricia Ellis

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Projects Completed:

- Regular building maintenance and repairs throughout the year
- All furnaces serviced
- Fire extinguishers and smoke detectors were regularly serviced
- New sound board and amplifiers were purchased and installed
- Parsonage rain gutters were installed
- Extensive structural repairs were made on the fellowship hall
- Fellowship Hall update was designed
- Fellowship Hall flooring was purchased
- Fellowship Hall refurbishing project is continuing
- Fellowship Hall rain gutter were installed
- Fellowship Hall Blinds were purchased and installed
- Wainscot was installed in the church basement
- New signage was designed/replaced
- Internet infrastructure was improved
- New computer for church office was installed
- Sanctuary balcony and back of sanctuary was refinished
- New foyer table was purchased
- Sanctuary piano maintained/professionally serviced
- Parsonage storm doors were replaced on front and back
- Parsonage Kitchen remodel completed (*shortened soffit, finished trim and tile*)
- Parsonage dishwasher replaced
- Parsonage furnace replaced
- Parsonage office remodeled
- Church Lawn mower repaired

Upcoming Repairs/Maintenance:

- Furnace room outlet/junction box replacement
- Church handicap ramp
- Replacing sanctuary projector
- Replacing monitor in room 102

Upcoming Projects:

- Complete Fellowship Hall remodel
- Fellowship Hall structural repair under rear picture window
- Replace front doors of church
- Exterior wall repair in rooms 102 and 104
- Preschool Room redesign

Study Items:

- Fellowship Hall Handicap Ramp replacement

Church Trustees,

Larry Gollnitz

Debbie Rodriguez

Ryan Paul

Forestville Wesleyan Church - Building Fund Report for May 2020 to April 2021

Opening Balance as of May 1, 2020	\$3,020.47
Add Deposits May 2020 to April 2021	\$19,087.06
Total	\$22,107.53
Subtract Expenses	\$15,844.29
Balance as of April 30, 2021	\$6,263.24

DEPOSITS

May-20	\$59.12
Jun-20	\$160.49
Jul-20	\$40.00
Aug-20	\$0.00
Sep-20	\$11,496.80
Oct-20	\$4,428.25
Nov-20	\$0.00
Dec-20	\$96.80
Jan-21	\$0.00
Feb-21	\$0.00
Mar-21	\$1,492.00
Apr-21	\$1,313.60
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$19,087.06

Expenses

May 5, 2020 - M. Ellis (parsonage garage door))	\$363.29
6/2020 -	\$0.00
7/2020 -	\$0.00
8/2020 -	\$0.00
9/2020 -	\$0.00
10/2020 - Home Depot	\$940.70
10/2020 - Ridout (Parsonage Furnace)	\$2,000.00
10/2020 - Add Lumber (Annex Repairs)	\$2,228.64
11/2020 - Mr. Bruce Ellis (Annex Vents)	\$327.10
12/2020 - Mikes' Seamless Gutters (Church)	\$1,183.00
12/2020 - Ridout (Parsonage furnace)	\$1,650.00
12/2020 - Mr. Bruce Ellis (Annex flooring)	\$2,000.00
1/2021 - Lumber Liquidators (Annex)	\$2,843.84
1/2021 - Matthew Ellis (Bal on Annex Repairs)	\$1,907.72
2/2021 -	\$0.00
3/2021 -	\$0.00
4/2021 - (Check on closed account)	\$400.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$15,844.29

Respectfully Submitted

Deborah L. Cosme-Rodriguez

Missions and Outreach Report

While this year was a major departure from business as usual, our small church continued to have a big impact on our community and around the world. Thank you to all those that have served and contributed.

As the Covid-19 Pandemic placed hardship on many local families, Neighbor to Neighbor Food Pantry saw an increase in clientele. Our support helped to ensure that the shelves remained stocked and that the pantry was able to meet the increased need.

Over the summer, during a time when it was so difficult to find ways to engage with our community, we put on a concert series “Forestville Cares” at the Forestville Farmer’s Market to help raise funds for the Forestville Fire Department’s new fire truck and to help attract people to the new market.

In September, members of our congregation participated in a backpack and school supply hand out at Resurgence City in Buffalo. It was a blessing to serve alongside Pastor Shamenda. We were also able to help Resurgence City financially with the remodeling of their new space.

In November, we helped a family in Forestville that lost their home to a fire. We were able to donate gift cards and provide food from Neighbor to Neighbor Food Pantry.

We have continued to maintain relationship with and pray for Youth For Christ Lebanon. We were also able to send funds to support their project to help feed Syrian refugees in the Bekaa Valley.

We have continued to support Global Partners Missionaries Jim and Karen Pickett in Mozambique, Tim and Tiffany Gallant in Mozambique, and Chris and Melissa George in Perth, Australia as they all share the gospel, teach and make disciples.

Sadly, the biggest impact this year is not one that we had, but one that we felt. The passing of God’s faithful servant and our Mission’s Chair Jane Wright. Jane’s heart for missions was contagious. We hold many fond memories of pledge drives in years past and Jane’s ability to solicit “Goofiness For the Kingdom”. Jane so tactfully made light of her work. The work of feeding the hungry and serving those in need. The work of Jesus. Jane was always looking to get more people involved in doing this work. She wrote in her 2019 Mission’s Report, “If this tired old cancer patient can be involved in Kingdom work anyone can! Join us and be amazed at how God uses you!”

Jane’s own words continue to serve as a calling. We have tremendous faith that God is in the process of equipping someone to continue this important work. If you feel called, let us know!

Your Missions Committee

Mission's Treasury
May 1, 2020– April 30, 2021

Balance - May 1, 2020	\$ 7,388.13
Receipts – May 1, 2020 – April 30, 2021	<u>+\$ 5,660.35</u>
Total receipts	\$ 13,048.48
Disbursements –May 1, 2020 – April 30, 2021	<u>- \$ 6,400.00</u>
Balance on hand – April 30, 2021	\$ 6,648.48

Breakdown of receipts for 2020-2021:

Faith Promise:	\$ 5,660.35
(\$5,448.83 from Sunday church offerings and \$ 211.52 from online Square Inc. donations)	
Total receipts	<u>\$ 5,660.35</u>

Breakdown of disbursements for 2020-2021:

Chris George support	\$1,000.00
Tim Gallant support	\$1,000.00
Jim Pickett support	\$1,000.00
Youth for Christ	\$1,000.00
Local Family Assistance	\$ 200.00
Resurgence City Church	\$1,200.00
Neighbor to Neighbor Food Pantry	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
Total disbursements	\$6,400.00

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Richard

Kay Richard
Treasurer

Neighbor to Neighbor Food Pantry Annual Report 2021

The Pantry has had a wild year adjusting to the ever changing guidelines during the Covid pandemic.

The pantry was able to stay open but the way we met the needs of our clients was completely different. The clients were not able to come into the pantry to receive their food. We had to have them honk their horn when they arrived and we would deliver their food to them while they waited in their cars. At first we packed bags and tried to give them a variety of food then we inventoried our supplies and allowed each family to choose what they wanted to eat. We also added household items to our list like deodorant, shampoo, tooth- paste, laundry soap etc.

We realized that the pantry had to step up to the plate and offer what we could to help those that rely on the pantry. For the first time we were seeing others come because of need from lack of work and having their children being taught virtually and being home not able to access school lunches. We also had emergency deliveries that we had to make because of the Covid. We had to deliver food and drop it off at the end of driveways to those that were quarantined from the Covid.

We still take food out to our clients out of safety for our volunteers and clients. We did have to shut down a week because we had several volunteers that came down with the virus. Almost all or all volunteers have been immunized. We are now beginning

a new chapter at the pantry, We will see where the Lord leads. We are not able to take any clothing because we have no way of showing our clients what we have.

During the last 11months we have had an average of 56 children, 99 adults and 45 seniors per month. Serving several thousand meals for those in our surrounding and immediate areas. God has been faithful with meeting the needs of His people. On our inventory sheets we have given clients places to put prayer request and the people have been utilizing this and we have been able to pray for them and those that they worry about. Continue to lift this vital ministry up in prayer as we move through this pandemic.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Karen M. Cleveland

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR END OF YEAR REPORT

April 30, 2020 – April 30, 2022

Account 7000 (checking)

Beginning Balance	\$4,187.74
Expenditures	\$9,651.61
Deposits	\$9,385.01
Ending Balance	\$3,921.14

Account 6000 (debit)

Beginning Balance	\$3,902.19
Expenditures	\$9,853.76
Deposits	\$11,487.00
Ending Balance	\$5,535.43

Item	Sum of Payment	Sum of Deposit
Bruce Ellis	\$87.00	
Darci Paul	\$100.50	
Deposit		\$885.00
Feedmore NY	\$427.98	
Home Depot	\$2,780.27	
NYSEG	\$1,649.02	
Patton Electric Co	\$88.00	
Paul Harvey	\$1,064.00	
Square	\$0.01	\$0.01
TPS Supply Corp	\$537.18	
Transfer to Debit	\$2,599.00	
Transfer from Debit		\$8,500.00
VanHagues	\$225.00	
Town of Hanover Taxes	\$93.65	
Grand Total	\$9,651.61	\$9,385.01

Item	Sum of Payment	Sum of Deposit
Aldi	\$126.41	
Big Lots	\$154.72	
BJ's	\$73.91	
D&M Refrigeration	\$316.00	\$6.00
Home Depot	\$32.44	
Premium Coffee	\$192.00	
Rite-Aid	\$12.94	
SD Super Market	\$58.09	
Smith's True Value	\$27.99	
Tops	\$140.01	
Transfer from Checking		\$2,599.00
Transfer to Checking	\$8,500.00	
USPS	\$8.25	
UW of SO/ACH		\$1,100.00
Value Home Center	\$31.80	
Walmart	\$179.20	
Grand Total	\$9,853.76	\$3,705.00

Respectfully Submitted,

Crystal G. Rose-Williams

May 5, 2021

Being Belonging Becoming
Beloved

In Memorial

We have been blessed because you were the hands and feet of Jesus...



Jane L. Wright, 1962 - 2021

Church Member Since 1976

Jane made her way home, Wednesday, February 17th. She was a relentless “way pointer” to the love of Christ. Her pursuit of God encouraged faith and was a spark of life to everyone who came near. As a gifted and creative teacher she inspired countless children to love learning and follow Jesus. If there was a ministry project happening here at church, Jane was in the midst of it. Her loyalty to Christ and devotion to the faith community have become a part of who we are. Missions will always bring a smile and a thought of Jane dancing down the aisle. We have been forever be changed by the way she lived faith and loved Jesus.

**For the glory of God, may we live this great story of love
that has been faithfully passed on to us.**

Church Budget

May 2021 – April 2022

Pastoral Support	\$37,044
Salary	\$27,040 (<i>(\$520/week)</i>)
Pension	\$ 3,120
Life Insurance	\$ 200
Health Insurance	\$ 480 (<i>including Joshua</i>)
Social Security	\$ 0
Mileage	\$ 2,004
Parsonage Utilities	\$ 3,000
<i>Gas</i>	<i>\$ 800</i>
<i>Oil/Wood</i>	<i>\$ 1,100</i>
<i>Electric</i>	<i>\$ 1,100</i>
Family Camp	\$ 300
Pastors' and Wives' Retreat	\$ 300
Sabbatical Fund	\$ 600
 Assistant Pastor	 \$ 3,440
Salary	\$ 3,000
Health Insurance	\$ 240
Life Insurance	\$ 200
 Assistant (Lay Pastor)	 \$ 13,520
 Church Expenses	 \$ 15,950
Janitorial (<i>supplies</i>)	\$ 300
Services (<i>tax forms, ADT, Trash, pianos</i>)	\$ 1,200
Snow Plowing/Mowing	\$ 2,100
Church Utilities	\$ 5,670
<i>Electric</i>	<i>\$1,070</i>
<i>Heat (Fuel Oil)</i>	<i>\$2,200</i>
<i>Internet Service</i>	<i>\$ 708</i>
<i>Telephone</i>	<i>\$1,032 (includes two phone lines)</i>
Annex Utilities	\$ 1,400
<i>Gas, heat/stove</i>	<i>\$ 1,400</i>
<i>Electric</i>	<i>\$ 0 (paid by Neighbor to Neighbor)</i>
Property and Liability Insurance	\$ 2,970
Workman's Comprehension	\$ 600
Office Supply	\$ 1,000 (<i>paper, ink, postage, bulletins, etc.</i>)
Equipment	\$ 500
Taxes	\$ 210
 Ministry Expenses	 \$ 3,000
Christian Education/Supplies	\$ 300 (<i>Sunday School/Children's ministry</i>)
Outreach	\$ 1,500 (<i>service projects, tent meeting</i>)
Discipleship Material	\$ 200 (<i>small group resources</i>)
Online Subscription/Services	\$ 400 (<i>Zoom, Song Select, CCLI, Web site</i>)
Stipends	\$ 200 (<i>pulpit supply</i>)
LBA Retreat	\$ 200
Benevolences	\$ 200 (<i>funeral expenses, flowers</i>)
 District/Denominational Assessment	 \$ 8,600 (<i>estimated</i>)
 Total Disbursements	 \$81,554
<i>(Budget Committee; Trish Beitz, Shawna Wickmark, and Bruce Ellis)</i>	

Outlook

Ministry Initiatives

This past year was filled with rapid changes, new challenges, unprecedented uncertainty and immense loss. Despite all of the discomfort, trouble and pain, God has continued to work. As a result of the pandemic, we have been given the space to re-evaluate our ministry and re-focus our mission. As we commit to the mission *to be lifelong followers of Jesus Christ and co-laborers with Him*, we have faith that God will continue to work in and through us.

This mission is not an optional add-on, it is our purpose. The Great Commission is a scriptural command to engage in discipleship. This year, we will commit to this purpose; to be redemptive agents in this world and in doing so experience our own sanctification.

- **Worship**

All disciples worship, but not all who worship are disciples. We worship to celebrate and honor God. This demonstration of reverence is more than a weekly activity, rather it is a way of living. This year independently and as a community, we will worship, not to lift up ourselves, but to lift Him up. As we worship, we find communion with the Father and with each other, we are renewed as the Body of Christ and prepared for mission.

- **Prayer**

Disciples pray. Prayer helps us to understand the direction that God has for our lives. As individuals and corporately, prayer transforms who we are. Prayer is essential in fulfilling Jesus' commands to love God and love our neighbors. This year we will pray in order to give Him praise, to express our grief, to offer thanks, to petition for the needs of others, to ask for forgiveness, and to ask for discernment and direction.

- **Learning and Teaching**

Throughout the Gospels, Jesus is referred to as Rabbi, or teacher. Jesus taught scripture, but he also taught humility and compassion, he taught faith and reliance, Jesus taught the power and love of God. In order to be disciples we must be learning, in order to make disciples we must be teaching.

- **Leadership and Mission**

As co-laborers with Christ, we are called to be on mission. Mission is what we are called to do and who we are called to be. We are called to love God and our neighbors, we are called to live by faith, to trust and obey God (to be disciples) and we are called to **participate** in His purpose of redemption in our world (to make disciples). We will be a community on mission.

PASTOR-CHURCH AGREEMENT INFORMATION

NAME OF CHURCH Forestville Wesleyan

NAME OF PASTOR Bruce Ellis

AGREEMENT FOR THE YEAR OF JUNE 1, 2021 THROUGH MAY 31, 2022

PASTORIAL VOTE INFORMATION:

- 1. No vote was taken because the pastor is serving under a previous call of:
 two years four years extended call.
- 2. The last pastoral vote was taken month 4 day 9 year 2009.
- 3. Date of pastoral vote this year N/A.
- 4. The vote was for: four years extended call.
- 5. Number of ballots cast: in favor; opposed.
- 6. The pastor's reply was Continuing

FINANCIAL AGREEMENT FOR THE COMING YEAR: (NOTE DISCIPLINE PAR. 283)

- 1. Pastor's actual cash salary per week \$520
- 2. Pastor's car allowance per week \$38
- 3. Pastor's pension 12%; other _____
- 4. Pastor's medical and Hospital Insurance paid by the church yes no
- 5. Pastor's equivalent of Social Security paid by the church yes no.
- 6. Parsonage furnished by the church yes no.
- 7. Utilities furnished by the church yes no.
- 8. Other benefits provided Sabbatical Fund

Note: If the pastor is to supplement his church income by outside employment, has this been mutually agreed upon by the pastor and church? yes no.

Vacation Days:

30 Days Paid Vacation (does not include legal holidays/days off) Not to proceed 5 Sundays

Special Meetings (Outside Speaking Invitations, Worship Events, Revivals, Camp Meetings, etc.):

 Days Including Sundays Other approved by L.B.A.

Days Off Each Week:

This year I choose Friday as my day off.

Signatures:

Pastor Bruce Ellis

LBA Vice-Chairperson Daniel Paul

LBA Secretary [Signature]

To be completed by the Vice-Chairman, a copy filed at the church, and the original returned to the District Office.

Nominating Committee Report

Tuesday, May 4, 6:30pm

Local Board of Administration

Secretary:	Mrs. Shawna Wickmark
Treasurer:	Mrs. Trish Beitz
Sunday School Superintendent:	Mrs. Darci Paul
Trustee, 2021-2024:	Mrs. Debbie Rodriguez
Current Trustees:	
Mrs. Debbie Rodriguez	2018-2021 (expiring term)
Mr. Ryan Paul	2019-2022
Mr. Larry Gollnitz	2020-2023
Director of Missions:	
Member at Large:	Ms. Becca Thornton
Church Auditor:	Mr. Allen Chase
Offering Teller: (elect 3 people)	Miss Kay Richard Mr. Adam Lukasik Mrs. Debbie Powell
Alternate Teller: (elect 2 people)	Mr. Richard Wright Ms. Becca Thornton
Assistant Treasurer:	Mrs. Crystal Williams
Depositor	Miss Gloria Windsor
Conference Delegate: (2022 District Conference)	Mrs. Debbie Powell
Conference Alternate: (2022 District Conference)	Mr. Dylan Hawkins
Nominating Committee: (elect 3 people)	

Nominating committee serving in 2021, *Elected Members:* Debbie Powell, Rich Wright and Crystal Williams
L.B.A. Representatives: Ms. Becca Thornton, Mr. Larry Gollnitz
Members of the nominating committee cannot serve two consecutive years.