

Forestville Wesleyan

165 Years of Ministry



Local Church Conference
May 21, 2023

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
- IV. Business
 - A. Recommendation from the Local Board of Administration to add a second Member at Large position to serve on the board. (*this position would be elected annually*)
 - B. Elections
 1. Appointment of Tellers
 2. Nominating Committee Report
 - C. 2022-2023 Church Budget
 - D. Outlook for the Upcoming Conference Year
 - E. Other Business
- VI. Prayer
- VII. Adjournment

Local Church Conference Minutes
Sunday, May 22, 2022 at 1:00 pm

- I. Call to Order 1:21 pm
 - A. Our mission, message, and method – Pastor Bruce read each aloud and shared thoughts
 - 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.
 - B. Prayer – Pastor Patti prayed at 1:31pm
- II. Verification of the Roll – 13 members present
 - A. Present at the meeting: Trish Beitz, Bruce Ellis, Patti Ellis, Debbie Powell, Darci Paul, Kay Richard, Debbie Rodriguez, Crystal Rose-Williams, Gloria Windsor, Richard Wright, Dylan Hawkins, Lawrence Gollnitz Sr., Lawrence Gollnitz Jr.
 - B. 39 members total
- III. Reports
 - A. Secretary
 - Patti Ellis motioned to approved the minutes from 2021, Lawrence Gollnitz Sr. gave support, all in favor – motion approved
 - B. Local Board of Administration Action Summary
 - C. Senior Pastor
 - D. Assistant Pastor
 - E. Lay Pastor
 - F. Sunday School
 - G. Treasurer
 - Debbie Powell suggested a sign-up sheet to cover lawn care in place of contract with Earthworks, discussion about difficulty with follow through of volunteers
 - Discussion about the District Assessment, approximately \$4,500 is owed, District Superintendent has recommended we wait to pay balance while he evaluates the situation
 - Dylan Hawkins asked if Sarah Derck had been paid for speaking at the Beach Worship last summer, Trish Beitz will send a check for \$150 (\$100 speaking stipend plus \$50 for travel)
 - 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
 - Trish Beitz motioned to approve above reports, Kay Richard gave support, all in favor – motion approved
- IV. Business
 - A. Member Recognition –
 1. Beloved members that have gone home to be with the Lord in the last year: Lee Holland
 2. Service Award: Kay Richard
 - B. Elections
 1. Appointment of Election Tellers
 - i. Kay Richard made the motion, Crystal Rose-Williams gave support, to appoint Patti Ellis and Trish Beitz as election tellers, all in favor – motion approved.
 2. Nominating Committee Report
 - i. Names on ballot as per Nominating Committee

- ii. Crystal Rose-Williams moved to reduce the number of regular offering tellers to two and keep the alternate offering tellers to three, Kay Richards gave support, all in favor – motion approved
 - iii. Dylan Hawkins motioned to close/approve nominations for committee, Debbie Rodriguez gave support, all in favor – motion approved
 - iv. Crystal Rose-Williams nominated Dylan Hawkins and herself for the Nominating Committee, Trish Beitz nominated Lawrence Jr., all accepted the nomination
 - v. Dylan Hawkins moved to vote for Church Auditor, Offering Tellers, Assistant Treasurer, Depositor, Nominating Committee via voice vote, Patti Ellis gave support, all in favor – motion approved
3. Elected to 2021 – 2022 LBA
- vi. Secretary – Shawna Wickmark
 - vii. Treasurer – Trish Beitz
 - viii. Sunday School Superintendent – Darci Paul
 - ix. Trustee – David Heald
 - x. Director of Missions – Debbie Powell
 - xi. Member at Large – Shannon Heald
 - xii. Church Auditor – Allen Chase
 - xiii. Offering Tellers – Simona Lukasik
Debbie Powell
 - xiv. Alternate Tellers – Kay Richard
Richard Wright
Becca Thornton
 - xv. Assistant Treasurer – Crystal Rose-Williams
 - xvi. Depositor – Gloria Windsor
 - xvii. 2022 Conference Delegate – Debbie Powell (voted on last year)
 - xviii. 2022 Conference Alternate – Dylan Hawkins (voted on last year)
 - xix. 2022 Nominating Committee:
 - 1. Dylan Hawkins
 - 2. Crystal Rose-Williams
 - 3. Lawrence Gollnitz Jr.
- C. 2021 – 2022 Church Budget
- 1. Crystal Rose-Williams made motion to approve 2021 – 2022 church budget, Patti Ellis gave support, all in favor – motion carried
- D. In Memorial, Lee Holland

V. Prayer – Dylan Hawkins closed with prayer at 3:40pm.

VI. Adjournment – Trish Beitz made the motion to adjourn at 3:41 pm, Darci Paul gave support, all in favor – motion approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shawna Rose-Wickmark
May 22, 2022

Local Board of Administration Summary of Action

May 1, 2022 – April 30, 2023

1. Approved Pastor to discuss assessment with District Superintendent and to pay whatever is agree upon.
- 2.
3. Approved the Nominating Committee Report.
4. Approved the budget/recommended to the Local Church Conference.
5. Approved Pastoral Agreement Form.
6. Approved the elimination of the district life insurance policy and continue with the life insurance through the Wesleyan Pension fund.
7. Accepted Pastor's Sabbatical, dates September 24, 2023 through November 6, 2023.
8. Approved allowing church staff to be included as ex officio members of L.B.A.
9. Approved the merger of savings and debit account together with into one account.
10. Approved the election of conference delegate for the current year of the conference at the Local Church Conference.

Kingdom Community, Being One that others may believe Jesus

Looking back on the year, I am grateful for how God filled each day with direction and provision. His abundance always counters our thoughts of lack. We are never without hope in His presence. In *John 15:4-5* He tells us to, "Abide in Me, and I in you...I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing."

As a faith community everything we do should point to the center of being "in Him." There is deception in being busy, productive and accomplished without "abiding." The distraction of working toward a result rather than being in relationship with Jesus is anti-Christ. This kind of work can often bring harm to us in overwork, being anxious and disappointed in failed expectations. It can cause harm to others in our judgement, anger and resentment. However, if the work we do flows from our being with Christ, it bears the fruit of "Kingdom life." This was the message through previous the year. We experimented with different ways of speaking about it in sermons, structures of worship and styles of meeting.

"Kingdom Life," is the pursuit of abiding in a centering love for God above all else. This kind of love for God transforms how we think and what we do. The result of loving God first makes it impossible for us not to love others. This has led us, in 2023, to think about "Kingdom Community." Living in this kind of community is a commitment to each other beyond the bond of a common interest or self-concern.

"Kingdom Community" becomes an impossible picture when our love is shaped by the voice of, "Be significant...Make a name for yourself...Protect what is yours." These powerful influences around us and inside us have been at work from the beginning of humanity. They misdirect our love and create false ideas of significance that cause harm and lead us to isolation. This year we are examining God's picture of community. We want to experience His story of significance and to work toward making His name great among us. We want to care for the good news of life and the promise of God's love that makes us one. This year we want to explore being one with God and experiment with simplicity, Sabbath, service and celebration in ways that will help us to be His "Kingdom Community."

Overview of responsibilities:

- Regular calendar events were held with the exception of the unusual weather events. *i.e. Prayer, Small Group Meetings, Sunday School, Worship, Christmas Eve Communion, Christmas Music Gathering, Ash Wednesday, Seder, Good Friday, Easter Breakfast, monthly Men's Breakfast, Church Picnic, Church Conference, Outdoor Worship*
- We continued online ministry. *i.e. Facebook reflections and podcast style conversations*
- Engaged with the Forestville Farmers Market once each month in June, July and August
- Time was given to building projects. *i.e. completed schoolhouse and parsonage bathroom projects*
- Met weekly with many individuals through the year to read and pray.
- Regular care for buildings and grounds to ensure our facilities are ready for use.
- Served through Neighbor to Neighbor each week.
- Met with local school superintendents
- Regular ministry meetings were conducted *i.e. missions, trustees, L.B.A., staff, various committees*
- Performed 1 wedding, 6 funerals/memorial services

May the continuing journey with Jesus bind us together; in our ideas about one another, our preferences, our politics, our pain and our brokenness that we would be wholly His to be holy in love for each other.

Respectfully Submitted,

Reverend Bruce Ellis



Assistant Pastor's Report 2023-2024

Music

I truly count it a blessing to be a part of our worship team. I am thankful for their heart to serve in this ministry of music. They participate in weekly rehearsals as well as coming before Sunday School to prepare for worship and to go over the music 'one more time'. They also participate in extra rehearsals that are needed for additional services (funerals, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Christmas, etc.)

One of the highlights of the year (musically) has been our evening of 'Christmas Carols and Cookies'. This is the second year that we have joined together to sing classic Christmas songs as well as traditional and contemporary carols (fellowship and cookies included). The schoolhouse provides a warm and inviting venue to celebrate the music of the season and to fellowship with one another. A special thank you to Sandra Leary for playing all of the 'jazzy' Christmas music that was a part of the traditional songs, and to Stephen Paul for sharing his vocal and guitar talents. It was a great evening.

Thank you to Darci Paul, Simona Lukasik, Adam Lukasik, Dylan Hawkins, Bruce Ellis and Ryan Paul for their offering of time, talent and tech skills. Thank you again to Sandra Leary for playing the piano during worship when I was away.

Women's Ministry

Our ladies did meet together several times throughout the year. Some of the activities included a continental breakfast at the Schoolhouse, a bonfire hosted by Debbie Powell, Pancakes on the Patio at the parsonage and a Saturday outing to East Aurora for lunch, Vidler's and icecream (yes, that first Saturday in November was almost 80 degrees). My hope is to have more gatherings throughout this coming year.

Miscellaneous

These are some of the other ministry opportunities in which I have participated throughout the year:

Taught Adult Sunday School class

Shared Friday morning reflections on Facebook

Preached once a quarter

Attended District Conference, Refresh Camp, LDJ (as work scheduled permitted)

Participated in LBA Retreat, LBA, Local Church Conference, Missions Meetings

Helped to assemble church journal and Easter mailing

Participated in Coffee and Conversation outreach at Forestville Farmer's Market

Outlook

For many years, church growth was defined mostly by the metrics of the number of attendees and the amount of giving. In spite of neither an increase in attendees nor in giving, I believe this year was a tremendous year of growth for Forestville Wesleyan Church. In a cultural moment, when churches around the country are faced with challenges of declining attendance and engagement as well as shifting cultural values and beliefs, I believe these metrics only serve to discourage us. In fact, I don't believe they ever accurately captured what it means for a church to be "growing". Instead, I have been encouraged by the tremendous spiritual growth of our small congregation.

Jesus teaches us to prioritize seeking God's Kingdom and Righteousness and to love God with all our heart, soul, and mind. He calls us to follow Him, take up our cross, and deny ourselves. In the beginning of the year, we discovered that sort of Kingdom Life looks very different from twenty-first century American life. In the second half of the year, we practiced living differently together in Kingdom Community. During the journey, I have witnessed a growing love and hunger for God's word. Together we not only survived difficult moments, but we actually helped each other grow in faith. We experienced the power of prayer. We practiced hearing God's voice. We celebrated God's goodness instead of cursing the day. We struggled with what it means to be a community of Christ followers. This type of spiritual growth is far more abstract and difficult to quantify than counting noses and nickels, but from my perspective it is the type of growth we are called to.

In the year ahead, I am eager to see the growth that God will continue to cause in and through each and every one of us. I am deeply appreciative of the opportunity to grow alongside all of you and humbled by your trust in me to be a helper in your growth.

Significant Engagements

- Preaching and Communion
- Practicing Sabbath
- Daily Reading and Prayer
- Monday Morning Reflections
- Twelve Step Ministry
- Neighbor to Neighbor Food Pantry
- Chautauqua County Addiction Response Ministry
- HRSA Rural Communities Opioid Response Program Meetings
- Maintenance and Renovation of our facilities

Yours in Christ,



Dylan Hawkins

Sunday School Superintendent

2022-2023 Annual Report

Teacher's responsibilities:

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.e. supplies, unresolved behavioral concerns*)

Curriculum Goals:

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

Average Class Attendance

	PreK-1 st	2 nd -5 th	6 th -12 th	Adult
June 2022	2	4	-	10
July	2	4	-	7
August	2	4	-	8
September	2	4	-	6
October	2	4	-	9
November	2	4	-	10
December	2	4	-	11
January 2023	-	1	-	7
February	-	1	-	9
March	1	1	-	10
April	1	1	-	9

A Year in Review...

Sunday School continues to be one of our most attended programs. The adult Sunday school maintained at least 7-10 students and the children's programming maintained 4 to 5 students for several months, with at least 1 or 2 each week the rest of the year. I have heard from many that they've enjoyed meaningful discussions and engagement throughout the year, through these ministries. The children's program has enjoyed the addition of Simona Lukasik as team teacher, covering classes when I am away and helping out when there are many students in attendance. I am excited to see where this next year will take the church body as we continue to keep our doors open and trust God in the process. Please continue to pray for and engage in the ministries here at Forestville Wesleyan.

Jr. Church

- No regular meetings (due to limited staffing)

Special Events

- School Supply Drive, September
- Easter Fun Fest, April (canceled due to weather)

Superintendent Activities

- Served as a Local Board of Administration member and Vice Chair, attended most meetings
- Taught mixed grades Sunday School Classes
- Served as a worship team member, attended most weekly rehearsals and Sunday morning services
- Attended Ladies Campfire (June 2022)
- Attended church picnic (June), Harvest Dinner (October), and Souper Bowl (February)
- Helped lead music when Pastors were away (August, December)
- Helped collect supplies for School Supply Drive (September)
- Helped plan and facilitate Christmas Carols and Cookies event (December)
- Helped plan and facilitate music for the Ash Wednesday service (February)
- Helped plan and collect supplies for Easter Fun Fest (canceled due to weather, Easter baskets were delivered instead – Thank you Dylan and Pastor Bruce for delivering!)

Respectfully submitted,



Darci Paul

Sunday School Superintendent, 2022-2023

Forestville Wesleyan
Treasurer's Year End Report
May 2022 - April 2023

Beginning Balance	\$ 20,475.57
Receipts	
Tithes and Offerings	\$ 62,471.27
Other	\$ 0.00
Total Receipts	\$ 62,471.27
Disbursements	
Pastoral Salary	\$ 27,560.00
Travel Expense	\$ 2,400.00
Wesleyan Pension	\$ 3,120.00
Life Insurance	\$ 192.00
Sabbatical account	\$ 600.00
Parsonage Utilities <i>(electric, fuel)</i>	\$ 2,778.81
Parsonage Expenses <i>(pest spray)</i>	\$ 125.00
Total Pastoral Expenses	\$ 36,775.81
Assistant Pastor salary	\$ 3,000.00
Assistant Pastor Life Insurance	\$ 192.00
Assistant salary	\$ 13,780.00
Workman's Comp.	\$ 461.72
Speaking Stipend <i>(B. Farrow, S. Derck)</i>	\$ 250.00
District Assessment <i>(through Oct. 2021)</i>	\$ 7,861.00
Church Utilities <i>(electric, fuel, phone, DFT, propane)</i>	\$ 5,679.44
Supplies	\$ 347.95
Church Services <i>(tax prep, piano, ADT, trash, pest spray)</i>	\$ 1,311.52
Property/Liability Insurance	\$ 3,415.25
Taxes	\$ 98.95
Online Subscriptions/Licensing	\$ 290.00
Bank fee	\$ 15.00
Retreat <i>(P. Ellis, D. Hawkins)</i>	\$ 229.00
Total Church Expenses	\$ 36,931.83
Schoolhouse Utilities	\$ 1,796.65
Schoolhouse Supplies	\$ 0.00
Schoolhouse Services <i>(pest spray, furnace)</i>	\$ 832.11
Total Fellowship Hall Expenses	\$ 2,628.76
Total Disbursements	\$ 76,336.40
Ending Balance	\$ 6,610.44

Balance in Education Fund as of 4/30/23: \$ 291.94
Balance in Sabbatical Fund as of 4/30/23: \$ 4,105.33

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Beitz

Patricia Beitz, Treasurer

**Youth Treasury Report
2022-2023**

Income

Balance forwarded	\$1191.38
Donation	1000.00

Disbursements

\$0

Year End Balance

\$2,191.38

Respectfully submitted,

Rev Patricia Ellis

Rev. Patricia Ellis

Projects Completed:

- Regular building maintenance and repairs cared for throughout the year
- Regular care for the church grounds and parking lot
- Church and Schoolhouse and Parsonage furnaces serviced/repared
- Fire extinguishers and smoke detectors were regularly serviced
- Church, Schoolhouse and Parsonage were sprayed for insects (*this has also controlled rodents*)
- Schoolhouse renovation completed
 - Flooring/trim installed
 - Two new cupboards installed
 - Installation of barn wood shelves, storm window for pictures, replacement of the original schoolhouse clock, original schoolhouse map, original schoolhouse books
 - All final touchup complete
 - Piano cover made
 - Marketplace Bosch dishwasher installed
- Parsonage Bathroom replacement completed
- Sanctuary piano regularly serviced
- Received donation of brass altar set and preschool room chairs from South Dayton, UMC

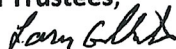
Upcoming Projects:

- Replace front doors of church
- Grading around schoolhouse to insure proper drainage away from building
- Decrease excessive humidity under Schoolhouse

Study Items:

- Schoolhouse Handicap Ramp replacement
- Preschool Room redesign
- Exterior wall repair in rooms 102 and 104
- Garage roof on the parsonage

Church Trustees,


Larry Gollnitz


David Heald

Debbie Rodriguez

June 2022 - \$47.95	\$275.92
July 2022 - \$528.53	\$81.01
Aug 2022 - \$1,618.82	\$414.57
Sept 2022 - \$710.16	\$870.26
Oct 2022 - \$319.12	\$334.47
Nov 2022 - \$444.75	\$199.75
Dec 2022 - \$338.24	\$ -0-
Jan 2023 - \$38.54	\$678.71
Feb 2023 - \$135.04	\$81.89
Mar 2023 - \$583.15	\$965.84
April 2023 - \$47.95	\$114.80

TOTAL - \$5,550.49 **\$4,561.34**

OPENING BALANCE - \$3061.18
+ \$5550.49

TOTAL \$8,611.67
-\$4561.34

CLOSING BALANCE \$4050.33

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah L. Cosme

Deborah L. Cosme

Forestville Wesleyan Missions

Reaching around the corner and around the world with the message and love of Jesus.

How then shall they call upon Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? Just as it is written. "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring glad tidings of good things!"

Romans 10:14-15

Missions Report

May 2023

This year has been a testament to small but mighty! Though our numbers have lessened since coming out of COVID, the congregation has been most faithful in mindfulness to our theme of Kingdom Community. Though a difficult financial climate has affected us all, the commitment to community needs both near and far has not faltered.

Together, we have impacted with...

Our annual Chili cook-off, with this year's proceeds benefitting Jericho Road

Helping toward the ongoing housing costs for a member of Pastor Barb's congregation in Buffalo

A Special offering for emergency relief for Ukraine

Continuing to support our missionaries, the Pickett's and the George's

Collected warm clothing to benefit refugees through Jericho Rd

Compiled lice treatment kits for our local schools

Keeping a presence at the Forestville Farmers Market offering "Crafts for Kids"

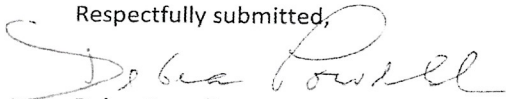
April was my first opportunity to fill some very big shoes left by Jane Wright. Our theme of Mr. Rogers Neighborhood was used to highlight the work of our missionaries and the Neighbor to Neighbor food Pantry.

A special thank you to Mr. Rogers (Adam), Mr. McFeely (Dylan), Lamb Chop and Cookie Monster for helping to bring the spirit of being a neighbor.

In our focus toward Kingdom Community, my vision for the coming year is a deeper awareness of how to love our neighbor... with eyes to see and spirits willing.

"We love because He first loved us."

Respectfully submitted,



Debra Powell

Mission's Treasury
May 1, 2022– April 30, 2023

Balance - May 1, 2022	\$ 10,341.81
Receipts – May 1, 2022 – April 30, 2023	<u>+\$ 8,059.17</u>
Total receipts	\$ 18,400.98
Disbursements –May 1, 2022 – April 30, 2023	<u>- \$ 6,694.71</u>
Balance on hand – April 30, 2023	\$ 11,706.27

Breakdown of receipts for 2022-2023:

Faith Promise:	\$ 7,499.17
(\$6,759.00 from Sunday church offerings and \$740.17 from online Square Inc. donations)	
Ukraine special offering	\$ 120.00
Soup -er Bowl	<u>\$ 440.00</u>
Total receipts	\$ 8,059.17

Breakdown of disbursements for 2022-2023:

Darci Paul – Kid's Easter program	\$ 79.71
Chris George support	\$1,500.00
Jericho Road - Soup Bowl	\$ 440.00
Jim Pickett support	\$1,500.00
Local Family Assistance	\$ 700.00
Wesleyan Emergency Relief Fund – Ukraine	\$1,475.00
Neighbor to Neighbor Food Pantry	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
Total disbursements	\$6,694.71

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Richard

Kay Richard
Treasurer

Annual Report 2023
May 21, 2023



This past year, Neighbor to Neighbor Food Pantry was a powerful demonstration of Kingdom Community and God's provision. Every Tuesday, a small community of volunteers served the larger community around us. During the 375 hours spent in the Schoolhouse, we shared the challenges and joys of life with each other, we served, we told and retold stories, we laughed, we ate, we prayed— we lived in community. Each of the 1,000 grocery orders filled represented an opportunity to engage with members of our community. Sometimes that consisted of a quick hello and a word of encouragement, other times a longer meaningful conversation, often we had the opportunity to share a moment of prayer.

Alongside this offering of community, we fed a lot of people. This year we filled over 1,000 grocery orders representing nearly 3,000 people or 27,000 individual meals. This was an increase from 800 orders last year (which is an increase of 25%). Through the monthly Food Express we distributed additional food boxes to 1,100 households (this number is the same as last year). In total, we distributed an estimated 65,000 pounds of food and an additional 37,000 pounds of food through Food Express. This amount of food is a powerful testimony of God's provision. While poverty, unemployment, low income, chronic physical and mental health conditions and larger economic forces that impact our community continue to create food insecurity, we continue to be able to provide high quality, nutritious food choices for our clients.

God provided a small but mighty army of volunteers to distribute the combined 51 tons of food. It never ceases to amaze me that there are always enough hands to get the job done. When one person steps away, another seamlessly fills the spot. Among those who God has called to this ministry are Pastor Karen Cleveland, Pastors Bruce and Patti Ellis, Gloria Windsor, Rich Wright, Mark and Debbie Powell, Pastor Steve and Cindy Paul, Daryl Clarke, Paul Harvey, Mike Opie, Shawna Wickmark, Lois Potmesil and many other people who showed up at exactly the time they were needed most.

God provided financially too. Between grants and generous private donations all of our operating expenses were covered. Thank you to Crystal Rose-Williams for her service as Neighbor to Neighbor Treasurer.

This ministry continues to be a powerful demonstration of the love of Christ in Villenova Township and beyond.

In Service



Dylan Hawkins

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR END OF YEAR REPORT

May 1, 2022 – April 30, 2023

Account 7000 (checking)

Beginning Balance	\$7,309.84
Expenditures	\$7,397.75
Deposits	\$2,655.20
Ending Balance	\$2,567.29

Account 6000 (debit)

Beginning Balance	\$5,139.09
Expenditures	\$651.37
Deposits	\$4,681.00
Ending Balance	\$9,168.72

Account 7000 (checking)

Item	Total
Deposit	\$2,655.20
Dylan Hawkins	\$3,000.00
Evans Bank Lockbox	\$125.46
Feedmore	\$449.33
Nuisance No More	\$460.00
NYSEG	\$1,929.95
TPS	\$1,433.01
Grand Total	\$7,397.75

Account 6000 (debit)

Item	Total
BJ's	\$42.50
Deposit	\$4,681.00
Dollar General	\$23.98
National Pen Co LLC	\$206.38
Premium Coffee	\$313.00
Walmart	\$65.51
Grand Total	\$651.37

Respectfully Submitted,

Crystal G. Rose-Williams

May 1, 2023

Church Budget

May 2023 – April 2024

Pastoral Support	\$35,920	
Salary	\$26,000	decrease of \$1,000
Pension	\$ 3,120	
Life Insurance	\$ 0	decrease of \$200
Health Insurance	\$ 0	
Social Security	\$ 0	
Travel Expense	\$ 2,400	
Parsonage Utilities/Maintenance ..	\$ 3,500	
Gas	\$ 300	
Oil	\$ 1,500	
Electric	\$ 1,200	
Maintenance ..	\$ 500	
Family Camp	\$ 300	
Pastors' and Wives' Retreat	\$ 0	decrease of \$300
Sabbatical Fund	\$ 600	
Assistant Pastor	\$ 3,000	
Salary	\$ 3,000	(\$250/month)
Health Insurance	\$ 0	
Life Insurance	\$ 0	decrease of \$200
Assistant (Lay Pastor)	\$13,670	(\$260/week)
Family Camp	\$ 150	
Church Expenses	\$13,220	
Janitorial (supplies)	\$ 300	
Services (tax forms, trash pickup, piano)	\$ 700	decrease of \$500 (canceling ADT service)
Snow Plowing/Mowing	\$ 2,100	
Church Utilities	\$ 4,920	
Electric	\$1,070	
Heat (Fuel Oil)	\$2,700	
Internet	\$ 550	
Telephone	\$ 600	decrease of \$432 (cost transferred to Pastor)
Property and Liability Insurance ..	\$ 3,600	increase of \$550
Workman's Comprehension	\$ 700	
Office Supply	\$ 500	(paper, ink, postage, bulletins, etc.)
Equipment	\$ 300	decrease of \$700
Taxes	\$ 100	
Schoolhouse Expenses	\$ 920	
Services (piano)	\$ 120	decrease of \$580
Utilities	\$ 800	
Gas, (heat/stove) ..	\$ 800	decrease of \$600 (Church pays for one fill/N2N covers remaining)
Electric	\$ 0	(paid by Neighbor to Neighbor)
Ministry Expenses	\$ 1,400	
Christian Education/Supplies	\$ 300	(Sunday School/Children's ministry)
Outreach	\$ 500	(service projects, events, mailings) decrease of \$500
Discipleship Material	\$ 0	(small group resources) decrease of \$200
Online Subscription/Services	\$ 400	(Song Select, CCLI, Web site)
Stipends	\$ 200	(pulpit supply)
LBA Retreat	\$ 0	decrease of \$200
Benevolences	\$ 0	(funeral expenses, flowers) decrease of \$200
District/Denominational Assessment	\$ 6,300	(estimated) decrease of \$300
Total Disbursements	\$74,430	Total decreases of \$5,912 / Total increases \$550
Projected Income (based on 2022/23)	\$63,894	(-\$10,536)

PASTOR-CHURCH AGREEMENT INFORMATION

NAME OF CHURCH Forestville Wesleyan Church

NAME OF PASTOR Bruce Ellis

AGREEMENT FOR THE YEAR OF JUNE 1, 2023 THROUGH MAY 31, 2024

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~~ \$520
- 2. Pastor's car allowance per week # 46
- 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 FMV Parsonage # 8,400
Utilities # 3,000

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 as approved by the L.B.A.

Days Off Each Week:

This year I choose Friday as my day off.

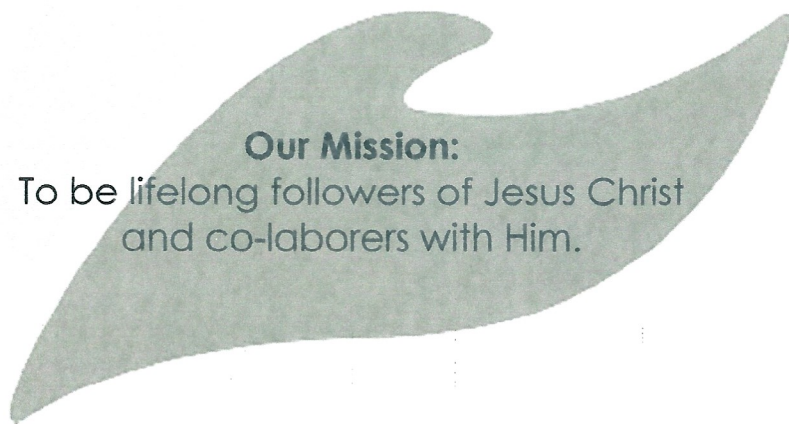
Signatures:

Pastor Bruce Ellis

LBA Vice-Chairperson Daniel Howell

LBA Secretary [Signature]

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



Our Mission:

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

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