



Missions Committee Minutes

April 7, 2025

Those present: Karen Campbell, chair; Betsy Mellon; Peter Raymond; Larry Smith and Jan Corbett, secretary.

Special Guest: Dan Culp

- Meeting opened in prayer by Larry Smith
- Mission mail circulated had been received from Smiths with Native American Youth, Harvest Bridge, Promise of Life Network, New Life Radio, Garrisons, CAN and Haspels
- Minutes of the meeting of March 3, 2025 were approved as read after a motion by Peter Raymond and second by Larry Smith.
- Missionary Partner Focus
 - April: Recipient of Lenten Offering; Easter is April 20.
 - May: Christian Radio for Russia with founder Dan Johnson visiting EM May 25 and a missions potluck at Campbells at 12:30 PM.
- Old Business
 - The motion left on the table from March regarding a proposed contribution to ECO churches affected by the LA fires was voted down as Karen was unable to obtain information regarding their need.
 - Blessing Bags donated to the Food pantry totaled 71.
- New Business:
 - Myanmar Earthquake Emergency Aid through Harvest Bridge: motion proposed by Bod and Ellie Smith via phone that we donate \$1,000 from UNFORESEEN to support their relief efforts. With a second by Larry Smith the motion carried.
 - A request from Fayek for funds to support his efforts to reach out to Muslim Scholars in the Arab World (in last two years 35 have already accepted Christ as a result of this effort). Motion offered by Bob and Ellie Smith via phone that we give \$1,000 to support this ministry. With second by Betsy Mellon the motion carried. Fayek & Nancy plan a September visit.
 - Karen and Laura met with Pastor Bill March 26 to discuss our request for \$5,000. Request was declined by Session April 6 and we have been instructed to spend down the UNFORESEEN funds and then ask for more if needed.
- Distributions: A motion was offered by Betsy Mellon that the regular April distributions of \$7549 be disbursed. After a second by Jan Corbett, the motion carried.
- Comments from Committee:
 - A Sunday featuring the ministry of CAN was suggested.
 - Mercer jail is looking to hire more corrections officers. Visitors are now permitted to bring in Bibles again.
 - Twice Blessed having open house on Saturday, April 12.
- Next meeting May 5, 2025
- Meeting closed in prayer by committee remembering Larry Fleming's upcoming eye surgery and Sally Riddle's throat surgery as well as prayers for people who don't realize that they need Jesus.

Respectfully submitted by Jan Corbett, Secretary.