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Present: Michael Blacksher, Chuck Ewy, Dan Scott, Glenda Hefty, Lisa Thomas, Rhonda Bandfield, Threasa Ballenger, Bob Johnson, Bill Love
Absent: Ethan Blacksher

Michael opened the meeting with a scripture reading from Christ's "Sermon on the Mount" and prayer.

Michael spent some time on leadership development with these questions: Why do we have a church? Why do we have worship every Sunday morning? Why do we have to have Christian education for our children, youth and adults? Why do we serve others?

Agenda:

Review of 2012 Goals. We got a Spiritual Growth Coordinator identified. Sandy Heer.

"Love God" report. Had a good Christmas season.

"Love Others" report. Last season did a parent's night out with 24 children attending. About 17 or 18 were from Portland. A dad and his two children from Portland who attended the PNO have started attending fairly regularly.

"Serve the World" report. Assisted with and helped organized the "Big Event" play day at Portland. Also organized "Portland Pride" t-shirt giveaway where each child got a Portland logo shirt. The Monday Night Women's group helped by donating hats & gloves for each child.

"Love God" looking forward. Still working out worship plans for Easter.

"Love Others" looking forward. Planning an Easter egg hunt on Saturday before Easter inviting the Portland and Sunshine kids. They are working on an idea of offering a class on "Relationships" to the neighborhood held at Portland.

"Serve the World" looking forward. Will be focusing on GOTC day and working on a plan to try to get people from the community to 'volunteer' to work – not just Asbury people. Are currently researching the possibility of hosting a community/mission garden. Also looking forward to the block

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party. We discussed about having some innovative marketing plans for community events, finding a way to talk to people about what we are doing by going at places where they go – school, grocery store, McDonalds, etc. There is also a plan getting worked on to give out books to Portland kids at the end of school.

Finance/Budget Updates. None.

Stewardship Report. Dan is starting to think about approaches for special giving projects. It is the job of the Mission/Vision council to approve special giving projects and ensure that it fits into the mission of the church.

Other Business

- Threasa wanted to see if we could include Jarrett Middle School in our service work and also proposed an idea to create some kind of a health service to the community.
- The M/V Council administrative will rotate meeting chair among the members. The responsibilities of the 'rotating chair' to send out meeting announcements prior to the meeting – the announcements should include the agenda and the minutes from the last meeting. The 'rotating chair' will run the meeting via the standard agenda. Threasa will be the chair for the next meeting.

Next two meetings April 12, 2012 at 6:30pm and May 17th at 6:30pm.

Standard M/V Agenda

1. Spiritual/Leadership Development/Prayer led by the pastor
2. Update on Vision Goals for the year
3. Update on current season ministry goals
4. Set goals for the next season – each team proposes about two ideas and the MVC may choose one of those. If the MVC does not select a plan, it is not to be done.
5. Look at the next season
6. Budget/Finance Updates
7. Next steps for MVC
8. Closing prayer

Meeting was closed with Prayer.

Submitted by Bob Johnson