

## **GLOBAL MISSION MEETING MINUTES**

**November 14, 2016**

Present: Ron Vandeberg, Pastor Kelli Schmit, Jane Blank, Janine O-Rourke, Wayne Corey, Bonnie Dirks, Randy Hansen

Opening devotions by Wayne.

### **Refugee Resettlement in our area**

- Ron was not able to get information from Refugee Resettlement Task Force concerning whom to contact for pick-up of large item donation.
- When Ron gets the contact info, Janine will write an article for the newsletter.

### **Uganda / Hope-4-Kids**

- Trip to Uganda is set for March 21 to April 3.
- Bonnie asked Pastor Peter in Sesera what the community most needs. Answer: Latrine.
- Hope-4-kids provided an estimate of \$4000 to build a latrine. It is not clear what this actually buys in terms of size, number of years of use, etc. Bonnie will get more info.
- Request to raise funds needs to be approved by council. Since we don't have all the info yet, at the November meeting Randy will provide a heads-up to the council that formal request is coming in December. We would not start fundraising until January.
- Angie from Hope-4-Kids will be our trip leader.
- An anonymous donation of \$700 was given to the church to be used for the Uganda mission project.
- Janine asked a local 4-H club if they could support project to supply pillow case dresses. This support would come in the form of a grant.

### **Elizabeth Circle Bake Sale**

- Bake Sale is set for December 11 from 7:30 to 11:30. This is the same day as the Advent concert.
- Jane and Janine have been meeting with Elizabeth Circle for the planning activities. Promotional articles for News-U-Can Use and newsletter are written.
- Chris Landerud and confirmation youth will help make lefse on Dec 4 and Rometgrat on Dec 10. Jane and Janine will also learn.
- Remainder of Global Mission committee should take shifts selling and help get the word out for people to bake goods for the sale.
- Jane will talk to Barb Porter-Quam about Thrivent matching funds. It is likely Barb is no longer the Thrivent representative, but she will know who the proper person is.
- Need to coordinate with janitors to setup tables for sale. Ron has door opening duty on the 11<sup>th</sup> so should also be able to help with setup.
- Janine is sending request for baking help to those who signed up to provide food for special events.

- Cash box will be supplied by Thelma.
- Proceeds of sale will be split between Elizabeth Circle causes, refugee mattress fund, and support of Frida Bagonza.

### **Exploring Expansion of Puerto Rico ministry**

- No Update.

### **Liberia / Pastor Palmer**

- Nothing new to report.

### **Tanzania / Bishop Bagonza**

- Frida Bagonza visited our congregation on Oct. 23 and was able to renew a few acquaintances.
- Janet Knutson is working to get info from Frida concerning to whom we should address the check for \$500 that we agreed to give at the last meeting.
- An anonymous donation of \$700 was given to the church to be used to support Frida.

### **Next Meeting:**

Next meeting is on regular scheduled date of Dec 12.

Devotions for next meeting by Mike.