

Village Church of Barrington
Minutes of the Congregational Meeting of February 6, 2011

Meeting was opened by Chairman David Norbeck at 12:45 PM with a time of small group prayer.

Quorum was reached.

Minutes from congregational meeting of 11-21-2010 were read and approved.

New Members – 7 individuals have applied for membership and have been interviewed by members of the board. Full Board has also approved their membership.

Motion - To approve the following individuals for membership:

Jim Adkins Lori Adkins Evan Brown

Fran Jerome Jerry Jerome Leslie Porterfield Ronald Porterfield

Motion was seconded and approved. All were then prayed for by the elders.

Senior Pastor Report – David Jones:

- Pastor Jones is very thankful for what the Lord is doing in our church.
- He feels he has connected with 60% of members and regular attendees.
- Attendance averaged 555/month in 2010; January 2011 averaged 609 with 92 kids.
- Visitors continue to attend and all are encouraged to look for greet newcomers.
- 10 to 15 people are the average at Assimilation events and Pastor Jones thanked the Assimilation team.
- We had a strong finish in Giving in 2010, short of the initial budget but on target for our needs.
- January 2011 saw giving up 6.1% over the previous year and overall exceeded \$100K.
- 3 Concerns: (1) Colin Smith called about a rumor that VCB was becoming another Harvest Bible Chapel (not true). (2) previous Church discipline issue has gone viral with the individual posting the letter on the internet claiming she was disciplined due to divorce (not true, it was due to unrepentant marital infidelity). VCB directory has been taken off-line temporarily and elders feel the situation will blow over. We do not want this situation to become an excuse for people to blaspheme God. (3) The Lord deserves our very best including worship and lateness has been observed. Please try to be seated by the VCB News.

Questions were taken from the floor.

- David and Helen's son Andrew is getting married April 30th in Seattle with a 5/14 reception for the couple at VCB.
- Our 50th anniversary celebration planning is underway headed by Ron Velleuer. Dates are October 15 and 16. John Wharton, Dave Barber and Don Lake will be in attendance!
- The Israel 2012 trip has 39 people signed up with a maximum of 50.
- Bruce and Retta Renich have 50% of their support raised to date. They have received their papers to return to work in Papua New Guinea. A send off is planned closer to that date.
- Bruce's responsibilities will be divided up with Tim Brubacher (assuming leadership in Prayer), the Global Impact team, Greg Kist, and Paul and Joyce Rowland.

Impact Ministries – Bruce Renich

- Missions Emphasis Weekend - Always a highlight of the year. We were honored to have many of our missionaries present. Greg Kirschner gave great challenges Saturday night and Sunday morning on living in community. Thanks to all who helped and attended!
- Leaf-raking and Christmas Caroling to the elderly in Barrington - Great fun, fellowship, and connecting with home-owners even in the rain and cold. Thanks to all who showed God's love to our neighbors in this hands-on way!
- Kenya - A significant step forward was made with the transfer of the Kenya community transformation project to the leadership of Larry Barnett. Stand behind him as he takes up this enormous responsibility and

works with Otieno Ochieng and the Global Impact Team to use the developmental principles of helping the people of Usonga location without hurting them.

- **Opportunities** - The open door of opportunity before our congregation is to combine words with works in all the circles where we mix with people. Our heart for the lost must grow to become like that of our Heavenly Father and His Son so that we are always looking for ways to create conversation that leads to the challenges of life and God's role in them. This will lead us into our neighborhoods, our work and recreation, and our extended families using whatever style fits the situation – acts of service, invitations to come & see, studying together, etc. God always stands behind the proclamation of the Gospel – it is filled with His power!

Adult Ministries – John Vosnos

The year 2010 in review:

- **Spiritual Gifts** ministry will be lead by Chris Wallace.
- **Lifelong Learning and Equipping:** added midweek learning opportunities to our effective Sunday morning courses.
- **Ironmen's Fraternity:** 1st full year. More than 40 have given it a try! Men challenged, lives enriched.
- **Women's Ministry:** revitalization to "Women in Ministry"
- **Men's Advance** was highlighted with Paver memorial and paver stones as men ramp up their commitment to Christ.
- **Discipleship:** Multiplication of Men's and Women's groups
- **Home Small Groups**

Great and consistent participation

Involvement in outreach projects

Heightened involvement with missionaries

- **Care Ministry and Benevolence/Deacon Fund:** Numerous families & individuals given varieties of care and support from our Caregivers, Home Small Group communities and our Deacons/Benevolence Funds.

Coming in 2011:

- **Taste of Home Small Groups:** 35 people joined three new HSGs last week. We now have over 65% of adults in HSGs. More opportunities coming for you who are still dragging your feet and depriving the rest of us of the things God has put into you!
- **Marriage and Parenting Focus and Workshops** being planned.
- **Stephen Ministry:** a splendid enhancement of our Care Giving ministry that will equip VCB believers in one-to-one Christian care both within the congregation and to those around us. Taking care upward and outward!
- **Spiritual Gifts Resource Ministry:** Gifts inventory & ministry placement. You can serve the way God wired you!
- **Expanding "Women in Ministry."** More from Carol Marshall.
- **Men's Ministry opportunities**—Iron Sharpening Iron in meaningful male relationships through coordinated ministries: 1) Ironmen's Fraternity 2) Men's Breakfasts 3) Men's Prayer 4) Men's Saturday A.M. Bible Study 5) Men's Advance 6) Memorial Stone Setting
- Unveiling of the "Metal of Honor" Car and beginning of a year long tour on behalf of the children of wounded/slain military personnel.
- **The Heritage Financial Ministries:** personal and family financial planning and budget management to be headed by John Morrison.
- **Benevolence/Deacon's Fund:** New protocol for helping effectively.

Women in Ministry – Carol Marshall

● **Vision Statement** - To develop spiritually grounded, vitally connected women of God who represent Jesus Christ authentically in their world.

● **Mission** - To enrich the spiritual, social and serving life of the women of the Village Church of Barrington. To encourage a deep faith which moves beyond the church body to engage the world we live in with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The women have embraced the Vision and Mission!

● **Highlights:**

- WiM Kickoff Event, October 2010
- 27 Neighborhood Groups have formed. We need connections & see God work, not more things to do.
- Equipping Conference, January 2011
- Book Connections—*Crazy Love* by Francis Chan
- Retreat plans in process for April 8-9
- The first Coffee & Conversations with Carol was held. This is aimed primarily at working women.

Young Adult & Communications - Jim Crouter

● Ministry Highlights

CITV Media Production / Program

Christmas Break with The Tribe – great to re-connect with the college kids.

New Church Directory – Coming Soon...

Getting the word out – New church brochure

Getting the word out – Barrington Magazine

● Ministry Opportunity

New Sign Exploration

Youth Ministries - Gordy Williams

● Club JAM - We've begun having Café JAM once a month. It's got the potential to be a really cool part of our ministry. Will try to teach spiritual discernment to this age group.

Suburban Cowboy- a larger outreach- is coming to Club JAM this year.

● Club ROCK

- Sunday mornings have been focusing on world view formation and apologetics (guided by Alex Renko).

- We have 4 active small groups this year with high participation and good trajectory in each.

- We have one local mission's opportunity lined up for this summer called Revolution of Love where area youth groups come together. We are still hoping to have another, cross cultural trip available as well.

Children's Ministry - Josh Fredlund

Praise for an amazing year:

● AWANA has 150 kids with friends inviting friends!

● Vacation Bible School will re-focus upon Jesus.

● We are partnering with other churches and sharing resources.

Pray for the Year to Come:

● Josh asked all to get involved as we need workers.

● Partnering with parents. Josh is asking for prayer on this.

● Josh encouraged all to check out the web site for the movie "Courageous".

Worship Ministries – Tim Brubacher

● Tim thanked the church for the past year.

● CITV – thanks to Georganna Guritz for her efforts.

● Good Friday service "By His wounds we are healed" and Easter services are being planned.

Budget Review and Proposal – Dick Ehrle:

Dick thanked the Budget team members and reviewed the timeline:

Art Barrett Michael Bruce David Cartwright Kathy Houde David Jones
Jane Shourd Joel Thomason Tim Yager

Goal from Day 1 was to come to the church with a balanced budget.

Cash balance as of 12/31/2010 was \$298,390.

Tithe and Offering Income - 2010 Review

▶ 2010 Actual	\$1,443,211
▶ 2010 Budget	\$1,547,293
▶ Actual versus Budget	- \$104,082 [-6.7%]

Tithe & Offering Income – 2011 Preview

▶ 2011 projection	\$1,510,000
▶ Change from Previous Year	+\$67,000 [+4.6%]

2011 Projected Income Factors

- 1) Recent attendance trends
- 2) Recent giving trends
- 3) Annual adjusted giving history

Budget Summary

1) Administrative Expenses are 55% of the Budget yet has a decrease of \$61, 543 from 2010 Budget.

■ Explained by:

- + Merit increase of 3% effective July 1
- + Full year impact of David Jones
- + New administrative support position (.5 FTE)
- - Annualized expense – Impact Staff Reduction
- + Transition expense for B. Renich
- - Changes in medical and dental plans (BC/BS premium increase was 32% which VCB could not absorb.)

■ Need to address Business Administrator position in 2012 budget.

2) Total 2011 Global Missions Expense is 22.9% of Budget versus 21.9% of 2010 Actual

3) Other Ministry Budget % on a COMP Basis is 8.3% in 2011 versus 7.9% of 2010 Actual.

Motion - To approve the 2011 Budget as presented. Seconded. Discussion and questions ensued.
Motion approved.

Motion was made to adjourn, seconded and approved.

Meeting ended at 2:25 PM.