

OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES OF MARCH 5, 1968

The Official Board of Duke Memorial Methodist Church met on Tuesday, March 5, 1968, at 7:45 p.m. in the Bradshaw Room. Mr. Dillard Teer, Chairman, presided.

A meditation was given by Mr. Husted, Associate Minister.

Mr. R. B. Reade, Church Treasurer, gave a financial report for the first eight months, ending February 29, 1968. Total receipts amounted to \$99,964.90, which included \$79,276.30 on pledges plus other contributions; total disbursements \$31,535.00, including \$10,000 paid to the North Carolina Conference on benevolences. The balance of our pledge to the College Fund in the amount of \$10,000 is still outstanding and is to be paid in full in the near future.

The Building Fund has a balance of \$5,500.

Chairman of Commission on Education, Dr. Jim Holsinger, reported that a search for a replacement for our Director of Christian Education is in progress. Miss Carol Vensel will be leaving in April.

Mr. J. A. McLean, Chairman of Commission on Stewardship and Finance, reported that a new organ is to be purchased. A committee has been appointed and is at work making investigation as to our needs for the future. He stated that the budget for 1968/69 is in the making, the Finance Committee is to meet the following Tuesday night at 6:00 p.m. It is the plan of the committee to present the budget at the April Board meeting.

Mr. Jack Cliff, Chairman of Commission on Membership and Evangelism, announced that 35 of the 37 members were present at the last meeting. This Commission continues to function in a satisfactory manner. This year we have had 70 new members join our church, 24 members have transferred to other churches; 20 have been claimed by death, giving a net gain of 26 members. There are 26 members in the membership class which our Pastor is conducting.

Mr. Nicholas Fagan, Chairman of the Methodist Men, announced that there were 103 present at the meeting which has just concluded, this being Ladies Night. He reported that the project "Family Fellowship" has been delayed for the present since more emphasis is being placed on the participation in the Every Member Canvass which is to take place soon. The organization's project will be continued as soon as the canvassing is completed.

Miss Carol Vensel, Director of Christian Education, announced that Vacation Church School will be held June 17 through 21 this year. This is an earlier date than usual in hopes of reaching more children before many leave for vacations. She announced that the Spiritual Life meeting for the Senior MYF group would be held March 22-24 at Camp Rockfish, Fayetteville, N. C.

Mr. Robert Pifer, Chairman of the Music Committee announced that contacts were being made with various companies with regards to our needs for a new organ. He has been informed that it will take from fifteen to thirty-six months in some cases to make delivery after the order is placed. In the meantime it is hoped that our old organ can be kept in condition to fill our needs for the present.

Mr. Teer, reporting for the Building Committee announced that it was his opinion that final drawings for the first floor of the sanctuary building

have been approved for the classes involved. He announced that the plans in progress now do not involve the Pastor's Aides Class. Someone has been appointed to approach this class to see what their needs might be.

Mr. Teer stated that the committee thought they had the money situation for the renovation worked out fairly well until after the reports from the engineers, then there seemed to be some mixed opinions. This problem will be worked out by the Finance Committee.

It was announced that Mr. Ran Few and his committee are busy at work on plans for the Every Member Canvass. The captains and other personnel working will be kept informed as to future meetings, dates and where they will be held.

Mr. Teer stated that from time to time he has received letters from various members of our church regarding custodial and janitorial responsibilities. He said that he had purposely withheld all comments until he could give it more thought and do a little inspecting on his own. Mr. Robert Pifer reminded the Board that a few years back General Holsinger had been appointed to make a survey of just such duties and suggested that he might be the one who could give some light on the matter. After some discussion the following committee was appointed to follow up the matter: W. K. Howard, J. H. Barton, J. W. Cole, W. T. Coman, Robert Lyon, Marcus Copelan, Mrs. Fred Duncan, Miss Anne Garrard, Mrs. Lois Fowler and General J. W. Holsinger. Mr. Teer stated that he would send a letter to each member of this committee in the near future setting a date for a meeting at which time the matter can be discussed.

Mr. Petteway made the following announcements:

1. Every Member Canvass Committee is at work making plans.
2. Our next Board Meeting, Tuesday April 2, will be a joint meeting of the Quarterly Conference. The budget is to be adopted at this time.
3. Services will start April 7, for Holy Week and continue through the 11th. He urged each member of the Board and his family to make plans to attend these meetings and let this week be a meaningful one. Dr. W. A. Kale will conduct our services.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Ethel Mae Kale
Ethel Mae Kale, Secretary

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