Dr. John Glasson, chairman, presided at the regular meeting of the Official Board of Duke Memorial Church on Tuesday evening, July 9, at 7:45, in the Church Parlor. Following prayer by the Pastor, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Commissions having reports were presented. Mr. Whitford called attention to the Vacation Church School, to be held July 15 through 19.

Mr. Alley, chairman of the music committee, in explaining a survey which had been made recently of the choir enrollment, stated that it had increased during the past four years from 63 to 233, instead of the two original choirs we now have five and he asked for advice and instructions.

Dr. Glasson pointed out the methodist discipline designated two choirs should be in existence and the music committee should come under the business of the Commission on Education.

Mr. Fowler, reporting on Membership and Evangelism informed the Board that meetings were not being held during the summer months but anyone knowing of new comers to the city, or prospective members, to please notify the church office, or him, and visitation would be taken care of.

Chairman of Stewardship and Finance, Mr. T. S. White, Jr., reported that Mr. Bailey Reade had consented to accept the office as church treasurer. After examining the accounts Mr. Reade expressed the need of an assistant. When approached on the matter, Mr. C. J. Jones willingly consented to accept the office as treasurer of the Building Fund, providing this arrangement was satisfactory to the Board.

Mr. Sorrell made the motion that Mr. Jones be accepted as treasurer of the Building Fund, seconded by Mr. Alley. The motion was carried unanimously.

Dr. Glasson welcomed the new members to the Board and each was recognized by standing when his name was called.

A list of the committees of the Board was presented by Mr. Sorrell. On motion, duly seconded, these were unanimously approved. A copy of the committees is attached to these minutes.

The following persons were nominated and elected unanimously to serve with Mr. Bradshaw for the Committee on Nominations: Mrs. J. C. Saunders, Mr. D. A. Sorrell, Mr. R. S. Slattery, Mr. C. E. Phillips, Jr., and Mr. E. C. Brooks, Jr.

Reporting for the Every Member Canvass, Mr. McLean announced that to date \$ 72,000 had been subscribed to the budget, that a few pledge cards were still out and urged the majors and captains to complete the canvass.

Mr. Bailey Reade gave a report on the treasury for the year ending June 30, 1963, total receipts \$ 97,988.00; total disbursements \$ 93,180.03; cash balance \$ 3,107.79; cash balance beginning of year \$ 5,051.36.

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Chairman of the building committee, Mr. J. H. Coman, reported that work was moving satisfactorily. The contracts had been signed by the trustees.

Mr. Slattery, reporting for the committee to which certain work had been delegated, stated the fence had been taken down and would be removed by the end of the week. All items seemed to be moving nicely.

The morning worship service and ground-breaking ceremony/would all be one service, was announced by the chairman. The congregation would move from the sanctuary to the lawn. The great, great grandchildren of the original founder of Bethany Sunday School would be present to perform the actual ground-breaking. Dr. Glasson expressed hope that three of the four living charter members could be present.

Mr. T. A. White volunteered as a one-man committee to try to obtain ten parking spaces in a nearby area for the church staff to use during the day, after Mr. Wilson called attention to the fact that our parking lot would probably be filled with construction equipment during working hours.

The Pastor spoke emphasizing two points. First, expressing his appreciation for the excellent attendance, thanking the members for being present, especially the newly elected stewards. He stated that true loyalty of a member to his position on the Board and to his church is evident by his presence at these meetings. Second, he shared a letter from one of the young members, in which the boy was thanking our minister for bringing him a message on Sunday morning when he was sorely in need of help to solve a serious problem. Had the boy not written this letter, Mr. Bradshaw felt that he would never have known a member was in need of such help. He expressed hope that everyone would be conscious of the many services that might be rendered as a member of the Board, not attending just to the material needs of our church but also to have an outlook for opportunities where spiritual help might be given.

In his remarks concerning the ground-breaking ceremony, he expressed hope that everyone could be present that we might share together in the fruit of an undertaking that was planted over seventy-five years ago.

At the time of discussion of old business, Mr. Dozier reminded the group of the importance of keeping our own pledges to the Building Fund up to date and suggested that we talk with others on this matter. There are thirty-five who made pledges at the time of the Building Crusade but have made no payments to date. He stated that church envelopes had been mailed and that building fund envelopes would be made available soon.

When asked to give a report on the Building Fund, Mr. Jones requested the chairman to call for the motion authorizing preparation of the appropriate resolution to go on record, electing him treasurer of this office.

Mr. John Dozier made the motion which was duly seconded and carried unanimously. Copy of the resolution, prepared by Mr. E. C. Brooks, Jr., is attached to these minutes.

Building Fund report was as follows: June 1963 collections, \$ 8,479.82; paid to architects to date, \$ 10,927.78; cash balance as of June 30, 1963, \$ 114,674.83.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Mr. Bradshaw.

Respectfully submitted,

Ethel Mae Kale, Secretary

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