

## Minutes of Administrative Board--January 4, 1977

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The meeting was opened with prayer by Mary Whanger.

The December minutes were approved and filed.

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Bill Self welcomed and recognized the new members and the new Chairmen of the various commissions and committees. He read sections from the Discipline on the duties and responsibilities of members of the Administrative Board, and stressed that meetings are open and everyone may participate but only members can vote.

### REPORTS:

Council on Ministries: Mary Whanger, Chairman, announced that an Ecumenical prayer effort for Christian Unity is being held, and on January 20th the meeting will be hosted by our church with seventy churches in our city having been contacted.

Missions: Elizabeth Bookhout, Chairman, reported a good "kick-off" introduction to the Gospel of Mark, by Rev. Ed Smith, to the assembled Adult Classes on Sunday, January 2, with the study to be carried through January. She announced an upcoming study of Cuba on "How the Government Affects Certain Areas of Women's Work". The dates are January 30 and February 1. On January 13th a District Meeting on South Africa is being held in Duke Memorial Church.

Church Properties: Ken Howard, Chairman, gave a full report, a copy being attached to these minutes, on the various church repair projects. A motion by Ken Howard requesting an additional \$1800 to the allotted expenditure for drapes, shades, etc., was seconded by Laney Funderburk. Motion carried.

United Methodist Women: Pat Coman announced that two women from Duke Memorial were District officers. Rhode Fitzpatrick is Vice President and Mary Whanger is Coordinator of Christian Global Concerns. Rhoda was also given a special membership pin by the District.

United Methodist Men: Ed Hammond announced a delightful dinner speaker, our former Frannie Schmidt, who spoke to them on her six months' adventure in Hungary. Basketball uniforms have been purchased for two teams in our church league, it was announced.

Trustees: Ran Few happily announced that the deed to the lot at the corner of Gregson and Memorial Streets had been recorded, and soon some repairs as to lighting, grading, etc., will be started. This area will give approximately fifty parking spaces.

Junior Church: Carolyn Shipp announced this to be such a successful part of our educational program, paid tribute to those who have worked hard to make it such and urged young parents to come to church and bring their small children so they can attend Junior Church.



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Discipleship: Elizabeth Bookbinder, Chairman, reported a good "kick-off" introduction to the Gospel of Mark, by Rev. Ed Smith, to the assembled Adult Classes on Sunday, January 2, with the study to be carried through January. She announced an upcoming study of Luke on "How the Government Affects Certain Areas of Women's Work". The dates are January 30 and February 6. On January 1st a District meeting on Social Action is being held in Duke Memorial Church.

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United Methodist Men: Ed Hammond announced a delightful dinner speaker, our former trustee Schmidt, who spoke to them on our six months' adventure in Hungary. As adult uniforms have been purchased for two teams in our church league, it was announced.

Trustees: Pam Fitzpatrick announced that the deed to the lot at the corner of Green and Memorial Streets had been recorded, and soon some repairs as to lighting, grading, etc., will be started. This area will give approximately fifty parking spaces.

Luther Church: Carolyn Ship announced that to be such a successful part of our educational program, paid tribute to those who have worked hard to make it such and urged young people to come to church and bring their small children so they can attend Luther Church.



<sup>Dec. 26</sup>  
~~College Students~~ The worship service on Sunday, ~~January 2~~, was carried out by the ~~Young people~~ of our church. It was of special interest that the preacher was William Green, one of Duke Memorial's own, who had been approved by the November Charge Conference, and was making his initial appearance in our pulpit.

Maurice Ritchie requested that some future board meeting be addressed as to how our church recruits members, and ways and methods of doing successful recruiting.

Staff: Margaret Ann Biddle reported an effort underway to promote interest in our three Methodist colleges. Scholarships of \$10 are offered to any interested sophomore, junior or senior in high school to go on the caravan February 11th and 12th. She also announced a mountain retreat for the junior high group.

Music: Melba Bartholomew reported some representative of Christmas music at every church-related Christmas function. She also said she staggered the tuning of the twenty-odd pianos so the expense was not so great at any one time.

Mr. Smith expressed his welcome to the incoming board members and his appreciation of everyone's loyalty and dedication and stressed the need to continually recruit members. Duke Memorial loses so many by death. He has maintained his same full pastoral care of making in the past month 50 home visits, 84 hospital visits; , 15 conferences in counseling, 34 meetings other than Sunday School or Worship.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Bob Wallace.

*W. T. Coman*

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Bill Coman, Chairman

*Eunice Mattox*

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Eunice Mattox, Secretary

NEXT BOARD MEETING -- February 8 at 7:45 P.M. in Bradshaw Room

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Wardie Ritchie requested that some future board meeting be addressed as to how our church recruits members, and ways and methods of doing successful recruiting.

Staff: Margaret Ann Ritchie reported an effort underway to promote interest in our three athletic leagues, and a plan of \$10 was offered to any interested sophomore, junior or senior in high school to go on the caravan February 11th and 12th. She also announced a tentative request for the Junior High group.

Wardie: Wardie reported some representative of Christmas music at every church-related Christmas function. She also said she was worried the number of the twenty-odd places so the expense was not so great as any one else.

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The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Rev. Wallace.

W. J. Green  
Bill Green, Chairman

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Wardie Ritchie, Secretary

NEXT BOARD MEETING -- February 8 at 7:15 P. M. in Wednesday Room