## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION ON STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE DUKE MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

January 19, 1968

A regular meeting of the Commission on Stewardship and Finance was held in the Fellowship Hall of the Church at 6:00 o'clock P.M. on Wednesday, January 10, 1968 with Chairman, J. A. McLean, presiding.

Members present were:

J. H. Barton
Mrs. A. H. Borland
Dr. Fred Clark
Mrs. Lois Fowler
Dr. John Glasson
General Holsinger
C. J. Jones

J. A. McLean
Reverend Mr. Petteway
R. B. Reade
Norwood Thomas
Dillard A. Teer
Tom White
Alfred Williams

Following opening prayer by the Reverend Mr. Husted, minutes of the last meeting which was held on November 15, 1967, were read, and, upon motion, approved.

The treasurer stated that as of the present date, church cash amounted to approximately \$11,000, day school cash \$2,000, and the building fund balance was \$5,268.20.

The Chairman called to the attention of those present the fact that during the regular meeting held on November 15, 1967, a general discussion had arisen concerning the advisability of changing the regular monthly meeting of the Finance Committee to the third rather than the fourth Wednesday of the month. Upon motion of Dr. Glasson, seconded by Mr. White, and carried, members of the Committee voted to have regular supper meetings with the Visitation Committee on the third Wednesday of the month, before retiring to different halls for a discussion of business problems.

The Commission unanimously approved the selection of Mr. Ran Few as Chairman of the Every Member Canvass, and named May 5, 1968 as Loyalty Sunday.

Following a suggestion by the Reverend Mr. Petteway that Duke Memorial Church take action to change the accounting procedure of the Church to agree with that of the Methodist Conference, a motion was introduced by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Teer, and approved by those present, that a recommendation be made to the Official Board, at its next regular meeting, to change the fiscal year of this Church from July 1st through June 30th to June 1st through May 31st, and that preparation begin at once for the adoption of an eleven month budget to run from July 1, 1968 through May 31, 1969.

Reporting on the World Service obligation of Duke Memorial Methodist Church, the pastor stated that for the year to begin in 1969, the Methodist Conference had requested a "single figure asking" of \$45,000 from this Church. After full discussion, it was the unanimous opinion of those present that Duke Memorial should obligate itself to a lesser figure, and, upon motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. White and carried, the Commission voted to recommend to the Official Board that the sum of \$42,000 be accepted as the total conference obligations of Duke Memorial Church for the proposed eleven month year to begin July 1, 1969.

For the Building Committee, Mr. Teer stated that a series of meetings had been held since July with church architects who had prepared a set of preliminary plans for remodeling the old educational building in successive stages so that only a portion of the building would be under construction at the time. In addition, some of the proposals for reconditioning the old kitchen and making extensive changes in the Pastor's Aides Class had been eliminated, and discussion concerning the need for a completely new wiring job had been held. He further suggested that it might be advisable to prepare a contract on a fixed cost basis as soon as the method and source of securing the money had been determined.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was, upon motion, adjourned after prayer by the pastor.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. Reade, Secretary