

President Ginny Clark opened the meeting with a word of welcome and the group singing, "Jesus Loves Me". This was followed by prayer. Beulah Latta introduced Dr. Reginald W. Ponder, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Methodist Retirement Homes, Inc. and Mrs. Carol Roycroft, Marketing Director for Croasdaile Village. Dr. Ponder gave an overall view of the homes at Cypress Glenn in Greenville, Wesley Pines at Lumberton, Quail Ridge at Pinehurst, and Methodist Retirement Community in Durham. He outlined the plans for building Croasdaile Village. Carol Roycroft displayed architectural drawings for the project. They anticipate completion of Croasdaile Village by the end of 1998. Brochures giving further details were distributed. Questions and answers followed.

Business:

Minutes of the February general meeting were approved as distributed. Ginny presented the treasurer's report showing we have paid \$2681.26 toward our Conference pledge of \$3600.00. Beulah Latta reported the motions approved by the Executive Committee at the April 6 meeting for raising funds for our 1997 mission projects. They are as follows: (1) Ann Wilson moved that we suggest individual monetary contributions from UMW members. Motion was seconded and approved. (2) Eathy Shepherd moved that we have a soup/bake sale (to go) in the Fall of 1997. Motion was seconded and approved. (3) Ann Wilson motioned that Ginny pursue the purchase and sale of paring knives. Motion was seconded and approved. These were approved by this general meeting today.

Ginny reported excellent attendance from our UMW at the District Mission Study held on May 3 at Mt. Sylvan UMC. The subject was "China", led by Rev. Dr. Bob O'Keefe and Dr. Lily Chou. She encouraged our attendance at the next District study which will be held at Trinity UMC on June 7. Dr. Gayle Felton will serve as leader. The third study will be held at Oxford UMC on July 12 with LaNelle Smith as leader. Ginny also reported on the District Day Apart, held at Mt. Bethel UMC on April 12, led by Rev. Laura Early.

Metta Metcalf, our representative to the Adult Day Care Center at Duke Memorial, asked for volunteers to help with birthday parties for that group each second Tuesday morning.

Elizabeth Luck announced the availability of paring knives for sale at \$5 each. We were encouraged to support this effort as one of our fund raisers.

Hilda Coble displayed pictures of batik prints, handmade in China, which may be obtained by placing orders through Mrs. Lolly Holmes at 286-1748. Prices vary according to each print.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m., followed by luncheon served by Doris Rodenhizer. Approximately 30 were in attendance.


Beulah Latta, Recording Secretary

