UMW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING Bradshaw Room Sunday, April 24, 1994 2:30 p.m. Minutes

Call to Order and Opening Prayer - Mary Whanger

<u>Members present</u>: Dorothy Sander, Edith Johnson, Betty Craig, Hilda Coble, Metta Metcalf, Eugenia Dixon, Jennifer Nifong, Martha Brown, Lucille Mortland, Charlotte Corbin, Mary Lee Bailey, Reid Burton, Mark Wethington, Mary Whanger.

<u>Treasurer's report</u> -- Jennifer Nifong reported that the savings account has been closed out and the money transferred to the checking account. All allocations have been paid up to date, and we have a current balance of \$6650. The next Pledge to Mission payment of \$900 is due May 31.

According to Durham District Calendar, in July local Units should elect new officers, establish pledge to mission, and select candleburning honors. 1) Pledge to mission, 2) 1994 officer list, and 3) membership number due to District Secretary by Sept. 30.

1) Pledge to mission

See accompanying work sheet. It was voted to accept the pledge sheet as proposed, with the purpose of UMW to be added. The pledge sheet will be the July UMW insert in Insights, with the request that each member return it to her circle treasurer by Sept. 1. Circle treasurers will turn in the amount pledged to Jennifer by September 15.

A packet of cards for Gift to Mission and one for Gift in Memory will be provided for each circle leader. Jennifer can have these for us for distribution at the June 4 general meeting. Gift in Memory cards available from Service Center pkg./10 for postage only. Gift to Mission cards must be ordered by Dist. Treas.

Circle treasurers to Jennifer may place checks and cash in a sealed envelope with Jennifer's name and leave it in the UMW box in the office. Jennifer usually goes by the office on Wednesdays and Sundays.

Because of the delay in our financial administration, we do not have a budget for this year. Mary has consulted with our pastor about this, and stated that it seems to her that it will be very difficult to come up with a budget for this year, and recommends that for this year we take care of commitments and needs as they arise and work toward preparing a budget for 1995. This should be done before the end of the year.

2) Officers: Mission Coordinators

Christian Personhood - It was suggested that our group use the old title of Spiritual Growth, as being more meaningful.

Supportive Community Christian Social Involvement Christian Global Concerns

There was some discussion about these areas of emphasis. We do not currently have these officers, probably because of difficulty of finding persons to accept these responsibilities. Therefore, we all need to be aware of ways to make sure that we do not overlook these areas of our purpose. Our March 4 program had to do with Christian Social Involvement (IHN), and our June 4 program will be on Christian Global Concerns (Peru).

3) Membership: Edith sees that new church members are invited. Circle chairs please keep Mary Lee informed of changes in membership.

How to host (set-up, clean-up) June 4 and Sept. 17 brunches and Dec. 4 refreshments? Circle 8 will host the June 4 brunch, and Circle 3 & 1 will host the Sept. 17 brunch. The cost of the brunch was set at \$3.00 per person (Motion by Mary Lee Bailey, seconded by Reid Burton). Each circle telephone volunteers will call their members for reservations for the brunch, and will state that if one makes a reservation she must come or, if she cannot be there, she will need to pay for it. Reservations may be cancelled not later than the Sunday preceding the brunch, which is also the day by which the circle telephone volunteers must report the number coming to Mary. Either call Mary (489-3279) or leave the message in the UMW box in the church office.

<u>Each circle</u> leader please appoint a Communications person to be responsible to sending circle news to Dorothy Sander for the Newsletter by the third week of each month.

Matthew Study, May 22-26, 7:30-9:00 p.m. A sign-up sheet was passed for 2 or 3 people each night to serve as greeters and also to direct people to child care.

Ways and Means -- Betty Craig reported that we cleared \$900 from the VSB luncheon, and requested \$100 of that amount to buy replacement spoons, sugar bowls, etc. Since these are needed before we will have a general meeting, it was decided that in this instance, the Executive Committee would take action for the Unit. This request was approved (Eugenia Dixon made the motion and Edith Johnson seconded.)

<u>Fall Festival</u> -- Dorothy Sander said that she is thinking of an October date for the Fall Festival, but we will need approval of Council on Ministries. There was some discussion about the date, and about various projects for this.

<u>Church van</u> -- There has been a request to use the van to bring residents of the Methodist Retirement Community to the general meetings. Mary Lee Bailey volunteered to drive.

World Day of Prayer, Church Women United, May Fellowship meeting, Temple Baptist Church, May 6, 10:00-12:30. We have been asked to help with the program by have 4 volunteers to be readers. Those 4 are Hilda Coble, Ruth Holsinger, Ruth Phelps, and Elizabeth Bookhout.

These minutes prepared by Mary Whanger.