

Official Board

Annual Report 2014



One of the first items considered by the 2015 Official Board was to change the church's constitution to allow individuals the opportunity to serve on a board longer than just two terms and we added verbiage to include our Associate Pastor. The congregation approved the amendments in March 2014.

We have been blessed to have many new families worship with us. Our new families have been actively involved in our church activities including volunteering and being a part of our boards and committees.

We have also been fortunate to have received a generous contribution at the beginning of the year so that we did not have to borrow any funds to meet cash flow. This has continued to be a problem in the past, but we were able to keep our heads above water this year. At the end of the year we received several additional large contributions which allowed us to repay most of the funds we had borrowed during previous years. We still have a little more than \$13,000 to repay, but it looks promising over the coming year to have it all paid back.

We had to purchase a new air-conditioner for the sanctuary. The congregation authorized us to pay for it from the interest in the Parsonage Sale Fund. We also had to have extensive work done on removing the contaminated water in the elevator pit. The elevator has been resealed so we no longer have oil leaking out. We are working on resealing the elevator pit because of the continuing problem with ground water seeping in.

This year we had a “Blessing of the Pets” in the Memorial Garden area. Pets were brought in and blessed by Pastor Don and Pastor Donna. It is something that we might want to make an annual event.

Concerts were given by Gwenneth Bean, Chris Valillo and Delbert Yoder during the year. The attendance could have been a little larger, however, the concerts themselves were great!

Small group sessions were held using a program “Not a Fan” which included a video and talking points. Prayer Gatherings were also held during the evening several times a month. Many ideas and prayers were lifted up to the Lord for our church.

We now are taping our Sunday morning sermons and posting them on our website. Many thanks to Heidi Tice for all the work she does at taping and editing for the site.

We are continuing to host a service for Chestnut Fields on the fourth Sunday of each month. Many of our friends and members have been a part of this service and we thank them for their continued presence. We have two of our own members at this location at the present time.

Pastor Donna Rick has been preaching at least once a month and helping with the serving of communion. This provides Pastor Don with a little reprieve and seems to bring in more people to hear her from other denominations.

We want to thank Pastor Don for all that he is doing for our church and the members and friends that attend.

We thank God for His continued blessings on our church, our community and our nation. We pray for a happy, healthy and prosperous 2015 for our members and friends, and our on-going mission is to look back and thank God, to look forward and trust God, and to look around us and serve God.

Respectfully submitted,

Members of the Official Board