

Attendance:

Joe Rodriguez, Roger Hanggi, Malcolm Tyree, Phil Anderson, Duane Otey, Rick Winford
Guests: Keith Smelser

We opened with prayer for about 30 minutes.

Item 1: Shepherding within the Congregation.

We discussed those who have chosen to worship with another fellowship.

We discussed how to support and care for Conner family with Harmony's treatment.

We discussed shepherding and discipling several unmarried couples in the church living together.

Item 2: Worship Arts

Discussion around creating two teams to lead worship planning; the first team will meet 4-5 times per year and will focus on the "big picture" of the worship celebration and direction, including sermon topics and series, communion schedule, incorporation of all aspects of worship; second team will focus on the music logistics for each service.

Approved

We discussed recognition of Dr. Sam Germany for his 30+ years of leadership.

Approved sending Sam & Teri on a restful vacation trip.

Item 3: Cell Tower

Discussion regarding leasing a small part of the church property to a cell tower company for a monthly lease. Some issues and concerns were raised.

Approved to move forward with cell tower, approved to hire an attorney to review contract.

Item 4: Summer Plans

Malcolm Tyree presented plans for the summer for youth and children. Plans include an alliance with Food on the Move to serve under privileged children, and a strong discipleship training program.

Approved

Item 5: By-Laws

Discussion around the current draft of the by-laws revision and suggested changes and edits. Each elder will continue to review the draft. June Elders' meeting will have a focus on the by-laws revisions.

We plan to present the revised by-laws to congregation this summer and call a church meeting to discuss and vote.

9:10pm Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Winford, Secretary

First Church of God, d/b/a New Life Bible Fellowship & Vida Abundante

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