

St. John Evangelism Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

November 7, 2017- 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Joanne Renner, Tim McDermott
Visitors Present: Pastor Toensing, Terry Dittmer, Adam Hughes
Next meeting: Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

I. Opening

Pastor Toensing opened the meeting with prayer.

II. Meeting Topics

- a. Time & Talent Survey – The committee discussed the currently collected Time & Talent surveys. It was noted that further distributions may include, but not be limited to, mailings and/or church mailbox placements. Committee members Joanne Renner & Donna Hillgren had spent time combing through the surveys and categorizing responses into sub-groups to be used when information is needed by groups or individuals. Tim will work to ensure enough copies are provided to the individual Boards noted in the survey that would provide feedback to the congregational member by way of the Board so connected to their stated talent or desire to participate. It is hoped that board members would reach out to those connecting members and thank them for their offering of service and keep them in mind when help is needed in the future. At such point, the collected survey for each individual would be imported into a useful tool, such as the church Servant Keeper Membership Program.
- b. Second Layer of Greeterism – It was earlier presented to the Board of Evangelism a suggestion to focus more energy on helping to identify visitors each Sunday, thereby assisting the Greeters and the Elder on duty with the helpful guidance of pointing visitors to the registration book and visitor's packets. The Board has made, and will continue to make, encouraging statements that each member of St. John should be serving in this role by default. However, the Evangelism Board will do what it can as individual members to that end. It was also brought up by one of our visitors that the church could double-up on our Greeter assignments, thereby providing added eyes on potential visitors. All agreed this to be a potential, worthwhile trial.

III. Study

Pastor Toensing continued the topical discussion of the book, "5 Things you can do to Witness Christ". The group present highlighted with good discussion topics covered in the third chapter, in part. Further, continued study and conversation in completing Chapter 3 will continue at our next meeting.

IV. Adjournment

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer at 8:40 p.m.