

FAMILY OF FAITH CHURCH

Nevada, Iowa.

February 29, 2012

Session Meeting Minutes

The Family of Faith Church Session met on Wednesday, February 29, 2012, at 6:30 PM at the home of Ron and Louise Meals. Those present were Elders Jim Axline, Jason Boyd, Karen Chance, Stacy Dobernecker, Ron Meals, Lori Mensing, and Pastor Scott Milsom.

Pastor Scott called the meeting to order and opened with prayer. The first hour of this meeting from 6:30 to 7:30 PM was spent with Pastor Scott covering the beginning sections of the **Leadership Training Guide** from the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Devotions were represented by the teaching and discussion led by Pastor Scott. Following the training session a regular session meeting was held.

Clerk of Session Report: Ron Meals presented the minutes of the February 15 session meeting. These minutes were accepted and approved.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Scott provided a brief report regarding his use of time the past week or so. He also provided information regarding an upcoming conference for small churches to be held at an EPC church in Dubuque, Iowa. A discussion was held regarding when it would be appropriate to attend other meetings that will be held in the EPC River and Lakes Presbytery. The pastor's report was accepted and approved.

Member's Care Ministry Report: Elder Karen Chance announced her ministry group will be having a meeting this coming week. Karen also updated information regarding church family members who have various needs and situations. She shared how cards are being sent when appropriate. The Member's Care Ministry report was accepted and approved.

Board of Trustees Report: Elder Jim Axline, a new elder to the group, reported that he has had two meetings with the Board of Trustees. Jim distributed two financial reports, one was regarding a list of checks written for the month of February. Also he presented a report showing the total income for the month of February as well as disbursements for this past month. These reports represented a balance of \$10,048.91 the end of February.

Jim also reported that he is working with his group on a budget for the church for better planning and smoother operations in the months ahead. A part of this will be a job description for our pastor as plans are made for increasing his compensation. Jim requested time to meet with elders a short time after this meeting adjourns. The report from the Board of Trustees was accepted and approved.

Christian Education Ministry: Elder Stacy Dobbernecker reported that three couples from our church attended a marriage conference recently held in Des Moines. Stacy reported changes in some Sunday School classes. She will be working with the high school group and Lori Milsom will be teaching 4th and 5th grade groups. Stacy will be meeting with her ministry team to plan additional activities for the youth group. The Christian Education Ministry Team meeting was accepted and approved.

Worship Ministry Team Report: Elder Jason Boyd announced that Jim Garvin is a new member on the Worship Ministry Team. Chris Zook is now in the process of being trained as the third person to handle all of the media process for our church's worship activities. Some discussion was held regarding opportunities for special music for worship. Also it was agreed to discuss and plan possible special worship activities for Easter. Easter Sunday this year is on April 8. The Worship Ministry Team report was accepted and approved.

Evangelical, Mission, and Outreach Ministry Report: Elder Lori Mensing shared with the group arrangements that have been made for our church to be involved in the elementary school carnival next year similar to what other organizations in the community can do. Lori also shared how she will be attending meeting regarding how groups are organizing for the Lincoln Highway Days that will take place in August. She will also be thinking about organizing for other community events such as some kind of a BBQ. The report given by Lori was accepted and approved.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 7, at the home of Karen Chance. Leadership training will take place from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM followed by a Session meeting.

The meeting adjourned with prayer.

Ron Meals
Clerk of Session