

NURTURE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, November 15, 2023

Attending: Gina Strouse, Chair, Pastor Jason Haldeman, Lois Herr, Liz Landis,  
Allison Mattern-Bradley. Note: Ellen Flury excused absence

I. Pastor Jason provided an update on how the church community will continue to process results from the CAT survey, including focusing on those issues at the Retreat scheduled for January 17<sup>th</sup>.

II. OLD BUSINESS

1. Gina reported on:

- a. Allocation of Pavlovitz Event expenses (\$558.10 for transportation, \$551.73 for housing)
- b. Nurture Commission Appointments – All have been renewed for 2024.
- c. Positive feedback from the “Guess Who is Coming to Dinner” event and the interest in having another event in 2024. We discussed the likelihood of having at least one of the dinners being arranged for families with children.
- d. Arrangements for the Christmas Eve Fellowship, which will be handled by Trina Hollinger for Nurture.

2. Pastor Jason presented the results from the initial effort to reach out to parents of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders for Bible Presentations as part of our FAITH MARKERS recognition on December 10<sup>th</sup>. Of the 5 who responded then, 2 plan to be at the church service to receive the Bible, 1 will not be at the service but would like to receive the Bible, and 2 indicated that their child would not be interested in receiving the Bible. Members of the Nurture Commission will reach out to the remaining families to determine if they will participate. Pastor Jason will update the list to add a column with the commission member who will be making the call. We would like to have results from the calls by December 1 if possible, though we can be flexible since the Bibles will not have names inscribed but will have an ECOB label.

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. Committee Representation – we anticipate new Nurture members to be elected for terms starting in 2024 - Liz Landis and Pat Hoffer; and Lois will reach out for the 1-year appointment.
2. Discussion of the CAT Report was deferred until January Retreat
3. Gina reported that the Deacons have given us the list of shut-ins for our Christmas cards writing project. Names will be assigned to us and provided along with cards and stamps.
4. The Witness Commission would like to pursue with us a possible weekend event in 2024 based on the successful one held with John Pavlovitz. Plans for this will be developed in the new year.

The next Nurture Commission meeting will be by zoom at 7 pm on January 17, 2024

Minutes submitted by Lois Herr 11/15/23