

Opened with the moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer. Then did the readings: The Service Prayer, The Twelve Traditions, the Twelve concepts.

Roll call: chair, vice chair(absent), RCM, alt. Rcm, Sec., alt. sec(vacant)., treasurer, alt. treasurer, act., public relations, H&I, web master and alt. webmaster.

Groups: Paris, Never alone, sowing the seed, god, Camden, Lexington, Dyersburg(absent), design for living, Newbern(absent), union city, Henderson(absent)

Chair: Went and spoke at Aspell. Everyone introduced themselves as addicts at Aspell. Very surprised.

Treasurer:

RCM: Nov. 29th at VRC. Going to email me his report. Feb. 7th next Region.

Alt. RCM: waiting on prices for left over stuff from VRC

Paris Free Spirit: Ken R: Our eat and speak is on Jan. 24th, eat at six speaker at 7. Speaker is TBA. Average attendance is 11 and our Christmas party turned out good they all had fun.

Jackson Never Alone: Lee M: Last month Brian H. had a 3year birthday, Terrence W. spoke. Monday and Friday meetings attendance is average 50 people. No birthday this month. We have one new home group member this month. Donation to area is twenty dollars. And Scott B. spoke on Christmas night.

Sowing the seed: Galen E: We have been having really good meetings on both nights. Wednesday we have 10-15 people it's a good quality meeting. Great experience, strength and hope. Saturday has been anywhere between 25-35 people with great support. December birthdays were Juanita with 12 years and Lisa with 1 year. Celebrated on the 20th of Dec at 4pm. Tiffany was out speaker. We still do 4th Saturday candlelight speaker meeting this month it was Sarah P. we still have literature and are planning on doing a Valentine dance on Feb 12th for another literature fundraiser. It starts at 6pm with dinner and dance to follow. We have a \$20 dollar donation for area. Bo S. is celebrating in Jan.

GOD: Frank H: Our Tuesday night meeting are going well we have 30-70 people in attendance. \$20-\$30 dollars in basket. Our Wednesday night meeting is averaging 80-100 people. With \$30-\$40 dollars in basket. We have had 10 new comers this past month. 3 visitors and have no birthdays for Jan. We have a \$25 dollar donation to area. We celebrated 2 birthdays on the 19th of Dec. Russ H, Rusty H both had 2 years. Yolanda L spoke. Lit sales are going well.

Camden: Kenneth T: Average attendance is 14. Eat and speak was on the 19th of

December. Brett E spoke and Cindy M had 7 years. Book sales are up. We need speakers for our speaker meetings. Jan 16th eat and speak eat at 5:30 and speak at 6:30 Donald T is the speaker.

Lexington: Jamie L.: Groups is doing good. New Monday night meeting is a book study night on the book It works How and why. Attendance is 7-10 people at book study and 3 newcomers. No birthdays this month. General attendance is 15-20 people. \$20 dollar donation to area.

Design for living: Kimberly: We had no birthdays last month. Our meeting average is anywhere from 15-40 people. We will be celebrating Michelle E. with 6 years on January 24th and Frank W will be speaking. No concerns and brought donation of \$30 to area.

Union city: Josh D: 20 present for December eat and speak. Speaker was Donald T. Next eat and speak is on 1-9-16 eat at 6 speak at 7 Galen E is speaking. Average attendance is up to 9 per meeting. We had 7 newcomers. No birthdays. We have added a new meeting on Monday nights at 6:30 starting 1-11-16. This will be a basic text study. Literature sales are good and \$18.60 donations to area.

Activities: Kim B: Experience Strength and Hope "Learning to Love:. Saturday February 13, 2016/ From 2-9 at Lambuth United Methodist. 4 spot talk: Marcus from Memphis- speaking on Love through service, April from Mississippi- speaking on you loved me till I could love myself, Paul from Memphis- speaking on Love them where they are at and Trina from Nashville will be speaking on something to do with love. Main speaker is Amanda H from Memphis- will be sharing on Learning to love. With lighting of candles and Dinner with Taco and Potato Soup and sandwiches. Next subcommittee meeting will be after the next area meeting on Jan. 31st.

-Activities Committee would like to ask for \$150 in seed money for the 3rd annual ESH event to be held Sat Feb. 13th at Lambuth United Methodist Church the rent for the event will be \$30. The remainder will be used for feed, drinks, eating utensils, decorations and fliers for the event. I know an average of Sat eating meetings at this location usually has an attendance of 100 plus. I expect that to be a fair measure to go by. At \$120 remaining we are looking at \$1 a person to spend. To help alleviate the cost of feeding such a large crowd I also propose each home group donate one ingredient for soup Taco/Potato. I feel this will also further the unity this activity is designed to promote. Home groups can approve this and bring ingredient to next area. Ingredients will run \$5-\$10 dollars.

Public Relations: no report

H and I: Donald T: We will have a H and I meeting next Friday night 1-8-16 at 8:30 pm in the basement of the hospital by the escalators, If interested the clean time requirements are 6 months for pathways and 1 year for treatment centers. This will also

cover the guidelines of the responsibility of carrying a H and I message, I need all G.S.R's to announce this at meetings this week, I will have a report at the next area meeting.

-H and I- Budget Proposal- Being as our H and I budget was set in 2010, we have exceeded the need and are proposing a new budget set for \$75 dollars for literature and \$50 dollars for meeting schedules. This is a total of \$125. This is due to the increase in groups and H and I facilities.

Out Reach: Frank H: 11-27-15 Miracles happen there were 12 people in attendance, took 2 with me Went to Henderson on 12-11-15, New possibilities arise, 17 people at meeting. Took 9 with us. Went to Free spirit in Paris on 12-13-15 to their eat and speak. Donald T carried the message. Then on 12-25-15 went to Dyersburg's N.A meeting they have new GSR (Kathy). Groups are doing good because when I ask if they are needing help they answer is no.

Webmaster: Ken: Made some cosmetic changes and updated new meeting info and we are looking to change some link problems on the documents page.

Alt Webmaster: going to add events to page also

Old Business: Sec. going to buy ink for printer

New Business:

- H and I made new budget instead of 93 to 125. Passed (because of schedule and more groups:

- Activities: \$150 for the ESH for seed money. (see her 3 papers)

- To use the guide to local services as our area guideline- pass

-Discussed the meaning of visitor, newcomers, and members