

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FORT OGLETHORPE
BUSINESS MEETING October 19, 2016
REPORTING MINUTES OF THE September 21, 2016
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

MODERATOR: Jason Thomas

Members present: 35

The minutes of the August 17, 2016 meeting was approved as written.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Emergency Preparedness plan tabled till October.
2. Work on improving the parking lot to add more "Guest " parking is ongoing and updates on the progress will be made in October. .
3. Organ appraisal is in progress with updated coming in October.

OFFICES AND DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Sunday School and Life Groups –Each Sunday School class is encouraged to use the class directory provided by Pastor Andy to minister to their class members or previous guests who are both active and inactive.

Children and Preschool: Reminder for the annual Trunk or Treat next month.

Worship Ministry: Preparations are underway for a big Christmas Season.

Deacon Ministry: The Deacon Retreat on Aug 20 was a success with 18 of our 21 Deacons present, five which are new Deacons.

Women on Mission: Rena Honeycutt –.The Women on Mission are moving right along. We did pray at all 4 of our local schools for safety and protection from any dangers or evil. On Sunday night, September 14th, after the church picnic, a group of us went to LFO and prayed again. We also want to promote the theme, "Cry for America" that takes place on Friday, Sept 23rd; asking all ladies to pray between the hours of 7:00pm and 10:00 pm. For more information, listen to Moody Radio, 88.9.

Women's Ministry: See Laura Jones for information for Fall Retreat., October 14, 15, and 16. There is still room available if interested. Many of the women expressed interest in going to The Ark Encounter in Kentucky. The Clark Tours has a trip open to anyone on May 9, 10, and 11th. If interested, contact Laura Jones for the phone number. Additional information will be in the Weekly Newsletter.

Men's Ministry: If any of the men are interested, the Men's Ministry Network is hosting an event including dinner on November 10th at Brainerd Baptist BX with Phillip Fulmer as the keynote speaker. Additional information will be in the Weekly Newsletter.

Keenagers' Ministry: There is a trip planned for Mercer Orchards in Blue Ridge, GA on Thursday, Oct 6. A signup sheet will be available.

Treasure and Finance: For the month of August, the General Fund is in good shape, the Legacy Fund is a little behind on funding, and the Mission Giving is on target. For details refer to Financial Summery.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Ronnie Born made a motion to adjourn with Paul Overlin seconding.

Cindy Shipp, Church Clerk