

Mount Olive Lutheran Church- Mission & Ministry Council Meetings Summary
(MAY 21 & MAY 28, 2013)

PASTOR'S REPORT:

1. Moore, Oklahoma: Where can people send support? Contributions can be directed to Samaritan's Purse since contributions are not being accepted from LCMS, due to no LCMS congregation affected there.
2. Pastor Haakana is leaving for Gambela, Ethiopia on Thursday, May 23rd and returning Sunday, June 2nd. The purpose of the trip is to provide leadership training for local pastors and lay leaders, as well as to begin groundwork for a guesthouse for missionaries
3. Marriage in Minnesota: There is protection under law for pastors and churches that refuse to perform marriages between same-sex couples. Mount Olive does not need to change anything in its bylaws, but needs to update its wedding policies.
4. Pastor Haakana attended a PLI Senior Pastor Seminar on Staffing Solutions. This took place from May 6th-9th in St. Charles, Illinois. He shared some results from this worthwhile experience.
5. "The Story:" A Vision meeting for our 2013/2014 school year participation in "The Story" was held on April 21st. A total of 55 ministry leaders and teachers were in attendance.
6. On Sunday, June 6, 2013 at 2 p.m., Michael Heiden will be ordained at Mount Olive. Also, Michael and Joy's baby daughter will be baptized on that day.
7. Summer devotionals are available in the Welcome Center.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE TEAM:

1. Reviewed Treasurer's Report and Giving Units Report through April 30, 2013.
2. Discussed and reviewed Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Budget Worksheet.
3. Agreed upon Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Work Program to be presented to the congregation for approval at June 4, 2013 Vision Assembly.

TRUSTEES MINISTRY TEAM:

1. An outdoor spring clean-up day was cancelled due to inclement weather.
2. There will be many projects taking place this week as the preschool year winds down.

ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE:

1. Chuck Drury has completed a financial plan with Gift Planning Services and feels that this is a great service we can offer to our congregation. A committee meeting was held on May 21st to establish procedures.

LOAN STATUS: Current loan balance as of April 30, 2013: \$3,056,211.83.

CAPITAL APPEAL UPDATE FOR 2012/2013: Goal: \$275,000. Pledged: \$207,640.

OPEN FORUM:

1. Fall MMC Elections
2. Staff Appreciation Event to be held this summer.

FUTURE MMC MEETING DATES: 8/20/2013 & 10/15/2013.

FUTURE VISION ASSEMBLY DATES: 6/4/2013 & 12/2/2013.

Respectfully Submitted,

Damon Sandness, MMC Secretary