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OFFICIAL BOARD
MINUTES
OF
REISTERSTOWN METHODIST
CHURCH

June 30, 1941 - March 26, 1950

June 30 1941

The Official Board of Rintontown Methodist Church met at the Church on Monday evening June 30, 1941 at 8 p.m. Those present were: Rev. C. T. Harrison ^{moderator}, Geo. Usher, R. Fox, J. Shambelin, H. deWoss, G. Cherry, R. Owings, W. Wardenheim, W. B. Baker and Miss A. Warrman, Mrs. R. Owings. Messrs L. Cross, Wm Tracy, W. I. Stevenson & E. Purgory part time and Doc. Barnes a visitor.

The first business after the opening prayer by Rev. Harrison was the disposal of the church sign now in front of Grace Church. It was decided to have it taken down reconstructed & erected in front of the new church. Mr. J. L. Shambelin will see that this gets done. It was moved, seconded & carried that Andrew Hubbard be given the job of keeping this sign up to date.

It was then decided that the memorial cross should be brought over from Grace Church and put up in an appropriate place. Messrs W. B. Baker, H. Kay and R. Owings will see that this gets done.

Rev. Harrison will investigate further the possibility of getting the bulletin printed at a reasonable price.

The following nominating committee was appointed to elect a chairman & vice chairman Messrs J. Usher, W. Wardenheim and Miss A. Warrman.

It was moved, seconded & carried the preacher be paid twice a month.

One request as to whether or not Asbury Parsonage could be sold, the secretary read a letter from Harry L. Price, Attorney, stating the property could be sold.

It was stated that Rev. Harrison has asked for police protection for children crossing the road on Sunday morning but this should be followed up and so Mr. J. Shambelin volunteered to stop at Ribesville and make an official request for this protection weekly.

Rev Harrison has had an offer for the pews at Grace Church. It was decided he should get this and any others in writing & take it to the Trustees. Also he should accept written offers for the organ. Mrs Shanklin will contact the Trade Piano Co. and get an appraisal of this organ as a guide to the proper sale price.

The nominating committee retired & then brought in the report of Mr. W^m Comm, chairman and Mr. H. DeWoss Vice chairman. These were duly elected.

The secretary was authorized to purchase a minutes book. Likewise the Record Committee was authorized to purchase the necessary books.

Mr. Comm was authorized to fix all locks on Grace Church so it could be properly locked when not in use.

The Treasurer was authorized to pay any & all bills when due in order to save dis counts.

Mrs Susenicht was again nominated as organist and Mrs Cio Kahl as assist organist.

Mr. H. Von der Linth sent in his resignation as lay leader, which was accepted. Mr. J. Shanklin was nominated to fill this position.

Mr L. Kross and W^m Tracy were requested to select a group of boys to act as ushers on Sunday mornings.

There being no further business the meeting adj.

Respectfully submitted
J. D. Baker, Sec.

June 3. 1941

3A

The W. S. of Grace Methodist
church held their last monthly meeting
this afternoon at the home of Mrs Charles Lapham
and Mrs Frank Orrick.

Called to order by the President
opened with doxological service by
Mrs Harmon assisted by Mrs Ed Bat &

Mrs Roger Hamfula

Roll call 22 members present

Minutes read and approved as read

Worshipers 4.40

Worshipers 2 min. 3.55

Worshipers 17.25

Worshipers 3.95

Colls 29.15

Worshipers 2.50

Worshipers 1.50

Worshipers 5.00

Worshipers 1.50

Worshipers 10.00

Worshipers 10.00

Worshipers 20.50

21.05 on hand

29.15 Collected

50.20

20.50 spent

29.70 in Treas.

Thanks for your cards received
 from Mr. Henry and Mrs. Ber-Whelan
 Mrs. ^{Amo} Lamm thanked us for our help
 and cooperation during their stay with us
 and presented us with a delicious candy
 and a lovely ~~handkerchief~~ to each officer.
 Our meeting then adjourned to meet
 on June 5 with the Astory society for
 election of officers and a new society
 to be formed to be known as the W.S.C. of
 the Rustenston Methodist Church.

Minnie Gore
Secretary

Aug. 4, 1941

The regular monthly meeting of the Official Board of the Rixters town Methodist Church met in the Sunday School room on Aug 4, 1941. Mr. Harrison presiding.

After a prayer by Rev. Harrison the minutes were read & approved. Mr. Harrison reported that the Whitmore Printing Co. gave a price on the Church Bulletin of \$27.50 for eight thousand. Mr. Trimes made the motion that we purchase the bulletins from them.

Miss Addie Macmillan & Mrs. J. L. Shanklin were appointed to construct the bulletin and have it printed.

It was reported that the cross was taken down from Grace Church and delivered to Mr. Rumbert Loe to be painted.

The signs have been removed from the front of Grace & Asbury Churches.

Mrs. J. L. Shanklin was appointed to select and purchase a new sign from Mr. C. O. Knight.

Mr. Loe was asked to be removed from the committee to get ushers for Sunday morning services and Mr. Chas. Ferguson was appointed in his place to serve with Mr. Wm. Tracy.

Mrs. Louis Macmillan asked for an increase of \$2.00 weekly for her services in the choir. Mrs. Corron and Mrs. Harry Condon were asked to see her & ask if she will continue to play for the sum of \$2.00 weekly as we feel that at this time we can not play any more.

Mr. P. B. Walsh reported on the Dist. Stewards meeting. The Church is to be assessed the sum of \$20.00 a year for the District parsonage to help clear up a debt on same.

Mr. Wm. Berryman reported the findings of the representatives from the Ins. & Elec. Co. in reference to the lighting in the Sunday School room.

The committee reported that Mr. Frother will act as janitor for the two Church buildings for the sum of \$20.00 monthly.

Rev. Harrison was granted a vacation of two weeks this month.

The Treasurer submitted a report that was most pleasing for the first two months.

The Property Committee failed to make a report.

Respectfully submitted
J. L. Shanklin, acting Sec.

The regular monthly meeting of the Official Board of Kingston Methodist Church met in the S. S. room on Wed. night Sept. 3, 1941 at 8 p.m. Wm Conover presiding.

Rev. C. T. Harrison opened the meeting with a prayer. Those present were, Mr. R. B. Balen, Addie Wammang, Jr., Mrs. T. Shanklin, Harry M. Moss, Harmon Trines, Geo. Uhler, P. B. Walsh, C. P. Goy, Robert Livinge and John Shanklin.

The Bulletin Comm. composed of Miss Addie Wammang, Jr. and Mrs. John Shanklin reported that the bulletins were printed and being used, also that they purchased 6,000 instead of the proposed 8,000 at a reduction of \$5. This Comm. was dismissed with thanks.

The committee to erect the cross in the church reported that the cross is painted & ready for use. It will be placed this Sat. Sept 6th.

John Shanklin reported that he had seen Mr. C. O. Knight in reference to a bulletin sign. Mr. Knight recommended a sign 24" x 30" at a cost of \$36. less 10%. The former face letter may be used if a new sign or bulletin board was purchased. Mr. P. B. Walsh made a motion that we purchase one. Mr. Wm Conover and J. T. Shanklin to meet the sign when it is delivered.

Mr. Wm Conover reported that the committee had seen Mrs. Summell and she would not hold at her price of \$4.25 weekly but she felt she could not do it for less than \$8. The committee is to see her again and explain that the Board feels that \$2. is all the Church is able to pay at the present time. If Mrs. Summell is unable to do this the Board will have to see about getting a new organist.

Since Mr. Robt Livinge works with the Mr. Robertson he was asked to see him in reference to the Parsonage properties instead of the former Committee and report to the Board. (This is a Trustee item and will be taken up with them)

Mrs. Shanklin reported that Mr. A. Haring of the Peed Piano Co. has estimated the organ, in the former Grace Church, to be worth at least \$500. Mr. Harrison and Mr. J. T. Shanklin are to contact four Churches believed interested in the organ. The Churches are to be asked \$600 for the organ. If they are not interested it is to be turned over to Mr. Haring to sell.

It was m. o. & carried to sell the piano in former Grace Church.

if a buyer can be found. The Board will consider any fair offer for same.

The Treas. report was read & approved. The books show a balance of \$66.23 on hand. Meeting adj.

Respectfully submitted
John T. Shanklin, acting sec.

The regular monthly meeting of the Official Board of the Ristertown Methodist Church met in the S.S. room at 8 p.m. Oct 6, 1944. The meeting was opened by Rev. C.T. Harrison with a prayer. Mrs. W. W. Corroon presided. Those present were: - Rev. C.T. Harrison, Messrs. W. W. Corroon, W. W. Wachman, P. B. Welch, H. DeWore, J. L. Fungmil, H. O. Thomas, H. Vandermine, W. R. Baker, T. C. White, W. L. Stevenson, L. Cross, R. Dunning, J. T. Shanklin, C. P. Gray, C. O. Knight Jr. Mrs. J. T. Shanklin & Mrs. Stumpf.

It was un. 5. & carried to have the cross erected permanently in the present position. Work will be done by committee - J. T. Shanklin & H. R. Baker.

The following comments were made on the new bulletin sign - Too small and not water tight. It was decided it should be returned & an investigation will be made as to what suitable one is available. Rev. Harrison will take care of this.

A letter addressed to the Secretary from Mrs. Sweeney was read giving her resignation effective at once with an offer to continue playing until the end of Oct. If anyone could be found to fill her place before this time she requested she be notified. The resignation was accepted with the offer to play until Nov 1st and the problem turned over to the music committee. This committee is Mrs. & Mrs. Sweeney, Mrs. C. Kohl, Addie Mummough & Anna Shanklin.

A report regards the former Grace Organ was as follows: - a letter rec'd from Mr. Hornig stated he was unable to solicit any buyer for the organ but would be glad to turn over any leads to us. His business connection prevents further help. The only offers received were \$250 & \$350. Other contacts will be investigated & if none found an ad will be placed in the Balt. Sun Paper.

Mrs. Corroon was told he should again try his brother-in-law & sell if \$500 could be obtained.

No offers have been received for the pews.

It was passed on motion to set up a committee consisting of two men from the Official Board and 3 ladies from the Woman's Society to investigate and report back the possibilities of moving the Kiwanis Club, Camp Fire Girls, Boys Club and all other social activities over to the former Free Church, making that the recreation center and concurrently move the entire S.S. over to the Church building, thus consolidating the activities and securing one place of worship the other the social center of the Church. The two men appointed to this committee were:- Messrs. J. T. Shanklin & L. Cross.

The Treas. report was read showing a balance of \$1.13 with approximately \$45.00 of unpaid bills outstanding. The Benevolent Treas report showed a balance of \$43.92. Both reports were accepted on motion.

Mrs. Strong recommended we give to the Army Camp boys the piano out of the kitchen. Passed on motion to do this after Mrs. Forbes had been called and her permission obtained. This is to be done as a courtesy as she originally gave this piano to the S.S.

Mrs. Foster made a request to purchase a piano if any could be sold. It was passed on motion to give Mrs. Foster the piano out of the small rear S.S. room.

Passed on motion to get a key made for the Communion Cabinet

" " " " 2 keys " " Church (additional keys)

" " " " 2 Chains repaired (Mr. J. L. Fingrich will see this is done)

" " " " bench cut to fit where piano was moved from in church

" " " " to take up flower fund collection over the last Sun in the quarter having put it in the bulletin the previous Sunday.

A request was made that all entries for the bulletin be put in Mrs. J. T. Shanklin's hands by 11 a.m.

It was suggested the committee on the roll should contact Rev. Harrison and get their work started.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
J. T. Shanklin, Sec.

There was a special meeting of the Official Board on Nov. 17, 1941. Pres. Wm. Carrison in the chair.

Rev. Harrison led in prayer.

The purpose of the meeting was explained as to whether the official board really thought Mrs. Susimil should be retained as an organist.

Harry Vandersmith reported that Mrs. Susimil had notified him that she would return on Dec. 1st to resume her duties as church organist.

The choir now serving the church were at the meeting and Mr. Chas. Knigles acting as spokesman for them asked that the choir and organist be left as it is that they are getting along nicely and felt they would rather continue without Mrs. Susimil.

After a much discussion by all members present, a ballot was cast for or against the return of Mrs. Susimil. The vote was 10 against her return & for her return all members present voted.

Mrs. Wm. Hooper was ^{nominated} ~~appointed~~ as temporary Organist. She accepted under the condition that the members try to get another Organist.

Rev. Harrison asked if the board would support him in a revival to be held after the first of the year. The members said they would help him.

Respectfully

John Shanklin secretary.

The regular monthly meeting of the Official board was held in the Sunday school room on Dec. 1, 1941. Mr. Purgoy led the meeting.

New Business was the only thing taken up. Motion made and seconded that the board permit Mr. Grothe and someone that he ~~could~~ can secure build a toilet for the boys & girls to be in two sections at the former, Seash Church, Lumber to be purchased from The Pies Lumber Co.

Mr. Grothe to be notified to clean up former Ashby Parsonage grounds.

Mr. McElhattan is to be asked to inspect the trees in front of the Sunday School building and report condition and recommendations to the board through Mr. Grothe.

Morris Baker asked that the board appoint an acting secretary until he could resume his duties this was done.

Respectfully Submitted
John A. Shanklin

The regular monthly meeting of the Official Board was held in the Sunday School room on Jan 5, 1942. Mrs Corron presiding.

The meeting opened with a prayer by Rev. E. T. Harrison. After the reading and approval of the previous minutes the regular business was attended to.

It was reported that the trees in front of the Sunday school bldg could not be cut back satisfactory and Mr Corron is to see about having them removed and report at the next meeting.

Mrs Welsh offered the services of his truck to take Mr. Harrison to Baumgartner's to return the Bulletin board that was purchased last year and found to small for our purpose.

Mrs Hooper asked that the board pay for training some one to play the organ as she feels she cannot continue to play indefinitely and that we should have some one to replace her should she become ill or ~~and~~ cannot be there on a Sunday. John Shoultz is to ask Roger Fjelling to consider this offer.

Motion ~~made~~ and seconded that the Church purchase the new ritual to place in the former Grace Hymnals.

Mr Harrison made a report about the leaders and teachers course at Westminster Church.

Mr Harrison asked the board to approve an Evangelistic Service to start on Feb 23/1942 this was granted and Mr Harrison is to appoint his own Committee

The Treasurers Report was read by Mr Robt Owings.

^{was also hoped}
Members Present. Harry W. Duro, Phillip B. Welch
Wm Corum, Elmer P. Puzey, Harry J. Jondumick, Robt
Owings, Geo. E. T. Harrison, John Shanklin

Respectfully Submitted
John Shanklin Acty Secy.

MARCH 1942

The regular monthly meeting of the Official Board of Peisterstown Methodist Church was held at the Parsonage. ~~Mr Wm Corcoran~~ Presiding.
Rev. Harrison

The reverend Lewis of Provident Church led us in prayer.

Rev. Lewis then was given time to talk and ask us to consider Provident Church's offer of \$300.00 Cash and a balance of \$50.00 for the new organ now in the former Grace Church.

Offer was ~~repeatedly~~ talked over and declined.

Mr Harrison returned the bulletin Board to Baumgartner Co. check will be sent to the treasurer.

Reported that Mr Roger Gringling is practicing on the organ and will probably be ready to take lessons soon.

At the request of the General board and Bishop it was voted to take an extra collection on communion Sunday.

Motion made and seconded that we purchase 300 packages of envelopes for next year and share a better discount.

Mr Soudermanth reported he has purchased 2 cord of wood.

Rev. John Shanklin acty Secy

1942

The regular monthly meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church was held in the Sunday School room on April 6th.

Those present were: Messrs. Lorrain, Gingrich, Wiley, Harrison, Vondersmith, Gach, Singling, Rogers.

Mr. Lorrain reported that he had seen Mr. McElhatton and stated that the trees in front of Grace Church could not be trimmed.

The Grace Organ was reported sold to the Sydney Church for \$450 which amount has not been paid.

The Committee voted to back up the young people in plastering and flooring the Grace Building.

Mr. Harrison was appointed to ask Ed Elise to make a bulletin for in front of the church.

Mr. Harrison and Mr. Vondersmith were to get together in regard to the Every Member Campaign.

The Treasurer reported \$19.32 on hand.

Rep. Roger W. Singling

The regular monthly meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church was held in the Sunday School room on May 4th 1942.

Mr. Harrison led in prayer.
Those present were Messrs. Harrison, Welsh, DeBross, VanderSmith, Gooch, Hiler, Durings, Gregory, Corbourn, Singling, Jengich, Cross, Worchins.

Mr. Corbourn reported that the trees in question were not considered dangerous and could be adjusted by filling cement in bad places.

The Organ still not paid for.

Planned Stansfield will fly bulletin.

Every member's names will under way.

The treasurer gave his report of \$19.32 on hand moved and seconded have certificate framed and send the bill to Elmer

Adjournment

Resp Roger W. Singling
Mr. Hiler reported that deeds could be gotten in 45 days transferred to the Reisterstown Church. This would include all properties held by both churches. moved and seconded that a check for \$11.25 be sent Michael P. Smith to cover expenditures involved in getting deeds.
Mr. Corbourn of the building reported work progressing.

Treasury Treasurer reported \$66.68 on hand.

Benevolence Treasurer reported \$77.87 on hand;
owe 187.71

Resp Roger W. Singling

The regular meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church was held in the Church July

Those present: - Rev. Harrison, Nelson, DeRoss, Popelersmith, & J. L. Perry, Cross, Baker, Grier, Mrs. Mummaugh, Miss Mummaugh.

Letter received with Money Order for \$25.00 paid on receipt of the Organ sold to the Suelbrook Church; making total \$75.00 paid leaving balance of \$37.50 due.

Reported vines to extension eight broken and contacting rain spout, moved & seconded have wires fixed by E. J. Gaeffer.

Harry Popelersmith to have shaffer dugth work.

Mrs. Mummaugh asked if anyone had grapes to make grape juice.

Treasure Report

Building Committee reported parsonage completely and need \$779.22 to complete.

Quarterly Conference to be called by Rev. Harrison.

Moved & seconded have all interested in purchasing Grace Parsonage hand in written bids. If none received by Aug 17 place put in hands of an Agent/Trustee to be called on August 17th.

Rev. Roger & G. H. G. H. G.

The regular monthly meeting of the official Board of the Peistertown Methodist Church was held on Sept. 8, 1942. Mr. Lorum opened the meeting by having Rev. Harrison lead in prayer. Those present were:- Lorum, Harrison, Donaldsmith, Gingrich, De Pass, Mrs. Cross, Kingling. Harry Donaldsmith of the finance committee reported everything taken care of.

Mr. Lorum called for new business. Building Committee reported building bill paid and the committee was discharged with thanks. The organ question was discussed. Nothing more paid. Mr. Harrison to see about this. It was also to see about having the more print 7000 bulletins for use in church.

Mr. Lorum was to see Mr. Gothe about fixing the "no parking" sign. Reported that wire in the rear of the church fixed. Moved and seconded to obtain the services of Mrs. Helen B. Kroe as organist at 3.00 a Sunday until Addie or somebody is able to take over.

Moved and seconded that Mr. Gingrich see Mr. Gothe in regard to fixing the Church roof and have same fixed. Adjournment moved & seconded.

Resp. Roger W. Kingling

The regular meeting of the Official Board of the Peistertown Methodist Church was held on October 5th with the following present: - messrs Lorrain, George, John Harrison, De Lee, Vondersmith, Kelsch, Walter, Cross, Joe, Durin, and Lingling.

Rev. Harrison opened the meeting with a prayer.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Reported that "no parking" sign fixed and bulletins ready.

Reported that windows in back of the Sunday School need putting. Mr. Gothe to do the work.

Nothing reported paid on the organ sold to suborg.

oted to pay organist monthly.

Voted to donate iron fence at the parsonage to the Red Cross.

Moved and seconded to sell furnace to Mr. Lorrain at \$30.00

Current Treasurer reported \$384.99 collected; \$188.51 expenditures; balance \$196.48 through September

Benevolence Treasurer reported \$200 paid in World Service leaving balance \$111.39

Moved and seconded get 5 ton coal for Community Hall. Spuy Vondersmith to handle this.
Opposite of Vondersmith, Kelsch and Welsh to have garage built at the parsonage.

Nov. 2, 1942

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Balance Oct 1, — 19648

Current Envelopes 161.69

Plate Collection 3782

Heat Envelopes 1285

World War Relief 5215

Church School 1000

W. S. C. S. — 1000

Total Receipts 480.99Expenses

Pastor Salary — 15000

Flower Fund 1900

Church Extension 1900

Communion War Relief 3300

Repair Electric Wires 250

Janitor Salary 2000

Organist for Oct — 1200

Total Expenses 255.50Balance — 225.49Received 20.00 for Finance
from Mr. Korman

Reisterstown, Md.
Apr. 5, 1943.

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church held their regular monthly meeting on the above date.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the pastor.

The following officers were present, Mr. H. De Moss, William Corraun, Mrs. Edward Schaeffer, Rev. E. T. Harrison, Elmer Perego, George A. Uhler, John Shanklin, Walter Turnbaugh, Dudley Gooch.

Report of the Treasurer,

Receipts Bal.	177.48
Collection	278.50
	<hr/>
	455.98
Expenses	172.00
	<hr/>
	283.98

Expenses { Pastor's Salary - 150.00
Janitor 22.00
172.00

John Shandlin was appointed a committee of one to repair the carpet around the furnace, reported finished and was discharged with a vote of thanks.

Moved and seconded to allow the Male Gospel Chorus to practise in the Sunday School Room every Wednesday night, motion carried.

Moved and seconded to let Mr. Grothe put up the sink in the kitchen and to get Mr. Durham to help him with the necessary work, also to fix the cut off on the water, motion carried.

It was decided that the W. S. G. S. was to buy the wax and pay for the waxer, the Official Board to see that the linoleum is first cleaned, Mr. Grothe to put the wax on and be paid for his work.

Moved and seconded that Mr. & Mrs. Meekins be sent a letter of thanks from the Official Board for the donation of paint made by them for the Sunday School Room, motion carried.

Moved and seconded that the trees at the parsonage be trimmed back, cost not to exceed ten dollars, motion carried.

Moved and seconded we adjourn, motion carried
H. J. Vanderweith, Secy, pro tem

Reisterstown, Md.
May 3, 1943.

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church held their regular monthly meeting on the above date, with the following officers present, Rev. E. T. Harrison, Mr. Lenwood Cross, H. De Moss, Elmer Perego, John Gingrich, Donald Christoff, Ruth Mummough, Mrs. Edward Shaffer, William D. Berryman Jr.

Meeting opened with a prayer by the pastor.

Mrs. Edward Shaffer was appointed a committee of one to see what can be done about the linoleum in the Sunday School Room floor.

Reported that the sink had been put in the kitchen and the cut off put on the water.

Reported progress on the garage at the parsonage.

The envelopes for the church offering to be given out on May sixteenth.

Dr. Earmshaw asked to buy the former Grace Church building, decided

to lay the request aside.

Moved and seconded a committee be appointed see the Deer park congregation and let them know that they will be welcome to join with us, committee as follows,

Donald Christif, Linwood Cross,
Harry De Moss and Wm D. Berryman

Treasurers report.

Current Envelopes	203.50
plate collection	70.05
Easter Envelopes	52.50
Lenten Boxes	28.03
Bal. from March	283.98
	<hr/> 665.68
Expenses	315.34
	<hr/> Bal. 350.34

Moved and seconded we adjourn,
motion carried.

H. J. Vandermuth, secy, pro tem

Peisterstown M. E.
May 3, 1943.

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The Official Board of the Peisterstown
M. E. Church met on the above date with
the following officers present.

Rev. E. T. Harrison, Mr. Linwood Cross,
H. De Moss, Elmer Perego, John Gungish,
Donald Christie, Ruth Mummough, Mrs.
Mummough, Mrs. Edward Scheffer, Wm D
Berryman

Mrs. Edward Scheffer appointed a committee of one
to see what can be done about the linoleum
on the Sunday School Room floor.

Reported that the sink had been put in
the kitchen and the cut off has been put on
the water

Reported progress on the garage at the
parsonage

Envelopes to be put out on May 16th

Docta Eamshear asked to buy the old Grace
Church, decided to lay it on the table

Moved + seconded a committee be appointed to
see the Deer Park congregation + let them know that
they will be welcome to join with us; Committee as
follows, Donald Christie, Mr. Linwood Cross;

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of the Peestertown Methodist Church met at the church with Bro. Harry De Moss presiding. Rev. Harrison led those present with a short prayer.

There was no reading of the minutes as they were ~~not~~ sent to the meeting.

Members present Rev. Harrison, Mrs. Edw. Schaffer, Harry De Moss, Harry Vandermyth, Lenwood Crow, Donald Chutthoff, John Shanklin.

Motion made and seconded that John Shanklin remove ~~the~~ registers in the church.

As the nominating committee was not present the board moved and seconded that all members of the board of Stewards not active and being members of the quarterly conference be dropped.

The board also made all nominations for the church official board for the coming conference year.

Moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 10.10.

Respectfully
John A. Shanklin.
Arthur L. Lutz

Reisterstown, Md.
Sept. 7, 1943.

The regular meeting of the official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church was held on the above date with the following officers present,

Mr. H De Moss, Linwood Cross,
Mrs. Edward Shaeffer, Mr. P. B. Welch,
William Corroum, & Rev. E. T. Hansen.
Meeting opened with a prayer by the pastor
Mrs. Shaeffer reported progress
on the Sunday School Linoleum.

The secretary ^{is} to write the German Club a letter and ask them to be a little more considerate of the linoleum on the Sunday School room floor.

Mr. Corroum is to fix the leak on the roof of the parsonage.

Mr. Rowe ^{is} to be asked by Harry Vandusmith to fix the pipe organ

Worldwide communion to be held on the first Sunday in October (Oct 3)

Moved & seconded we adjourn, motion carried
H. J. Vandusmith, Secy. - Pro

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The regular meeting of the official board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church was held on October 5, 1943. Mr. Corroumn presided. The following were present - Rev. Harrison, the Ministers & Moss, Vondersmith, Uhler, Welsch, Owings & Goch.

Following a prayer, led by Rev. Harrison, the minutes of the September meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Corroumn & Robert Owings are to repair, as best they can, the roof on the parsonage.

The organ has been repaired through the kindness of Mr. Wroe. A letter of thanks is to be written to him. Mr. Wroe reported that the bellows in the organ are nearly gone.

A report from the Church Treasurer was read and showed a balance of \$393.34. Balance in the building fund \$486.41. Treasurer of Benevolences reported a balance of \$88.88.

The 4th Sunday in October will be World Service Sunday. Envelopes will be distributed both through the Sunday School and the Church.

It was moved and seconded that the following bills be paid - Mr. Dyer's \$16.22, Reisterstown Lumber Company \$265.82, G.B. Caltrider 1.75.

After discussion it was moved, seconded and passed that the egg stove which was formerly used in the small Sunday School room, but which is now not in use, be sold to Harry Vondersmith for \$5. This amount is to be added to the building fund.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Acting Secretary

The regular meeting of the official board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church was held November 2, 1943 in the Church School Room. Mr. Corrum presided. Following a prayer by Rev. Harrison, the minutes of the October meeting were read and approved. The following members were present: Rev. Harrison, Mrs. Olive Schaeffer, the Mistess Welch, Owings, Corrum, Cross, Perego, Uhler and Christoff.

Mr. Corrum and Robert Owings reported that upon inspection of the parsonage roof it was found that a repair job would not be sufficient, therefore they purchased a good grade of shingles and with the help of Mr. Archibald Murray of Deer Park, they began to re-roof the leaking section. To date this job is not completed since there are no more shingles available. As soon as it is possible to purchase additional shingles, the roof will be completed. It was moved and seconded that a vote of thanks be given to Misters Corrum, Owings and Murray for their prompt and efficient work.

The Church Treasurer reported a balance of \$482.99.

Balance in Church Benevolence \$236.92

Balance in Building Fund \$209.18

Our church is large and while we are paying our current expenses, we have not been enlarging our building funds sufficiently. This is necessary if we ever hope to build. Additional finance in large sums is necessary. A working church grows, but many of our members are inactive. Now is the time to add to our building fund. After hearing discussion concerning the above, it was decided, by the board members, to select the best possible committee from members of the entire church. Each division of the church is to be represented. Each church division is to be notified of the board's action, to discuss same, and in the very near future there is to be held a joint get-together meeting of each and every department of the church.

with the purpose of discussing the question of the building of a new church. The following board members were asked to contact the church groups.

Women's Committee - Mrs. Schaeffer + Mr. Harrison

Sunday School - Mr. Cross + Mr. Peregory

Young People - Mr. Peregory

The Sub District is having an Institute beginning the second Monday night in January and continuing for the following six weeks. Mr. Harrison, asked permission, on behalf of the members of the sub district, to use the church hall for these meetings. The Board of Education of the Sub. District is to pay all expenses. Permission was granted.

Complaints concerning janitor service, in both the church building and the church hall, have been voiced to members of the board. Formerly, the Board gave the members of the local Red Cross, permission to use the back rooms of the church hall. The women of the Red Cross are willing to buy coal or oil for heating purposes, but would like to have church hall rooms warm and also have the building locked. After discussion, it was moved and seconded that Mr. Peregory contact Mr. Harry Vondermuth and try to obtain, from Morris Baker, a copy of the minutes containing an itemized list of janitorial duties agreed upon by the board and our janitor, Mr. Grothe. A letter stating that complaints about janitor service have been received from various sources, and a list of duties to be cared for by the janitor, is to be written and sent Mr. Grothe.

Harry Vondermuth was appointed a committee of one, to order coal as necessary and have the bin filled as full as possible at all times.

It was suggested that composition chair treads be purchased and placed on each leg of the chairs, thereby helping to save wear on the floor of the Sunday School Room. This suggestion was not passed upon.

There being no further business, the meeting

adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Acting Secretary

The monthly meeting of the official board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church was held on Tuesday, December 7, 1943, in the Church School Room. Rev. Harrison presided. The following members were present. Rev. Harrison, Mrs. Olive Schaeffer, the Misses Weloch, Peregory, Vondersmith. Following a prayer by Rev. Harrison, the minutes of the November meeting were read and approved as read.

It was reported that the parsonage roof was completed. The secretary ^{was} to write to Mr. Roy Gardener & Mr. Arthur Geist and thank them for their help in fixing the garage doors of the parsonage garage.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$437.29
Building Fund \$209.18

Church Benevolence - No report. Mr. Peregory stated that \$250 had been paid to World Service out of the benevolence.

It was reported that the following committee chairmen have been chosen to represent the various church groups in connection with planning to raise money to add to our building fund.

Official Board - Mr. Weloch, Donald Christell

Young People - Margarite Frank

Sunday School - Elmer Peregory

Women's Group - Mrs. George Mummaugh

After January 1, 1944 this committee is to be called together for the purpose of organizing definite plans for raising money for the church building fund. These plans, are in turn, to be brought to the church congregation as a whole and discussed.

It was moved & seconded that the bill for stencils for the church bulletin, be paid.

Harry Vondersmith reported that he had been unable to get the minutes of the official board from Mr. Baker since he had no way of contacting him. The secretary was asked to write a letter asking for these minutes since the board wants to check on janitorial duties agreed upon in an earlier board

meeting.

It is impossible to obtain any hard coal at this time, therefore soft coal will have to be used.

Communion sets, for use both in camps and at the front, have been purchased and sent to each and every Methodist Chaplain now serving with the armed forces of the U. S. \$16,000 has been spent for these sets. Each church is being asked to contribute as much money as they possibly can to pay for these sets. A complete set costs \$70. The combined congregations of Deer Park and Reisterstown Methodist Church will be asked to help. Individual as well as church group subscriptions will be asked for. Mr. Harrison will announce and explain this on Sunday Dec. 12th. Elmer Perego will be in charge of the money collected.

The official board moved and seconded that \$30 be donated toward a communion set.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Acting Secretary

Correction made - Jan. 4, 1944.

The regular meeting of the official board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church was held on Tuesday, January 4, 1944 in the church school room. A majority of members were present. Mr. De Moss presided. Following a prayer by Rev. Harrison, the minutes of the December meeting were read and the following correction made. Mr. Roy Gardener and Mr. Arthur Geist should have been thanked for helping to fix the garage doors and not for helping to repair the roof as was read in the previous minutes.

Mr. Meloch expressed the opinion that now is the time for each and every division of the church to start working together, not pulling separately, to really begin to organize plans for enlarging our church. It would be a good idea to have a joint meeting of committees, discuss the problem thoroughly and decide definitely on an amount of money to be set as a goal to reach by Easter 1944. After discussion it was decided that the representatives of the official board be authorized to express at this joint committee meeting the following opinion of the members of the official board - first \$50,000 to be our tentative goal for our building fund and second \$10,000 of this \$50,000 to be our goal for Easter 1944.

The committee members will meet on Tuesday Jan. 11 at 8:30 P. M. in the Sunday School Room.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$497.03

City Missionary Drive begins January 10.

Mr. Harrison reported that the Gas and Electric and Telephone Co. cut the trees around the parsonage and that an excellent job was done. An old swamp maple tree at the lower edge of the Parsonage garden, which is of no value at all, is shading both the parsonage garden and Mr. Cole's garden. It should be cut. Permission to have it cut was granted Mr. Harrison.

Water is nearly to the fire box of the furnace in the Recreational Hall basement. Mr. Grothe has been unable to make fire for fear of breaking the grate.

#13.75 was turned over to Elmer Perego to be added to the Communion Set Fund.

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Acting Secretary

The regular meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church was held February 1, 1944 in the Church School Room with Mr. Corrumn presiding. Other members present were the Misses Harrison, De Moss, Perego, Cross and Christiff. Following a prayer by Rev. Harrison the minutes of the January meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Harrison recommended that the old cherry tree in the parsonage garden be cut. No decision was made.

After discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed that a ceiling floor and 2 braces be placed in the garage at the parsonage. Elmer Perego is to see that necessary lumber is obtained. Mr. Corrumn volunteered to help with the work.

The treasurer of the building fund reported a balance of \$156.63. It was moved and seconded that this old building fund balance be kept, by the present treasurer, as is and be used for necessary repairs.

After discussion, Mr. Harrison was granted permission to make arrangements for and to see that a light is installed in the parsonage garage.

Mr. Meredith Hale, member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church, asked Mr. De Moss to ask the official board if they would like to sell the former Grace Church. Upon presentation of the matter, the board discussed same, moved and seconded that they did not wish to dispose of the building now being used as a recreational hall, and that the secretary write Mr. Hale stating same.

Treasurer reported a balance - \$493.41

Bishop's Crusade will last from now until Easter.

It was moved and seconded that 2 extra keys be made for the front doors of the recreation hall.

A total of \$146.75 has been collected to date for the Communion Fund. \$55 of this was donated by the Deer Park Church and the balance from the Reisters

town Methodist Church groups and Individual subscriptions.
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor D. Turnbaugh
Acting Secretary

The regular monthly meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church was held March 7, 1944. Mr. Corroum presided. Members present were the Misters Welsch, Harrison, Corroum, Uhler, Cross and Christiff and Mrs. Olive Schaeffer.

Following a prayer by Rev. Harrison the minutes of the February meeting were read and approved.

It was reported that to date no lumber suitable for the garage ceiling had been obtained. Mr. Corroum volunteered to search further for useable lumber at a reasonable price.

Mr. Harrison reported that the maple tree had been felled and partly cut up. The cherry tree has been cut so that it will die.

Since Mr. Harrison has been unable to secure wire necessary for wiring the garage, the work is still undone.

The Seventh Day Adventist, Young People would like to rent the Church School Room one Friday evening each month. After discussion it was moved and seconded that they be granted the privilege of using the room one Friday night each month. The exact night is to be decided by them. There is to be no charge, but it is expected that they donate money sufficient to cover the cost of additional heating and light for the building.

On Wednesday, March 22, the Young Adults will have a social in the Recreation Hall. All are invited.

There will be a three hour Service on Good Friday. Everyone is urged to come.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor D. Turnbaugh
acting Secretary

April 4, 1944

The official board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Rev. Harrison presiding. Officers present were Rev. Harrison, Elmer Gregory, Donald Christiff, Mrs. Edward Schaeffer and Harry Vondergrith.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the pastor.

It was decided to let the young people of the Seventh Day Adventists meet in the Sunday School Room the fourth Friday each month.

Treasurer's report - Balance \$35.88, 19

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
H. J. Vondergrith
Secretary Protem

Copied by E. B. Turnbaugh



The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on May 2, 1944 in the Church School Room with Mr. Carruynn presiding. Members present were Rev. Harrison, the Misses Vondersmith, Peragoy, Nelsch, Uhler, Robert Quings, Gore, Carruynn, Mrs. Mummaugh and Schaeffer. Following a prayer by our pastor, the minutes of the April meeting were read & approved as read.

Rev. Harrison reported that the Bulletin Board to be placed in front of the church, is completed and ready to be placed. Mr. Hampt made it and is to be asked, by Rev. Harrison, for a bill covering same.

Mr. Archibald Murray cut the tree at the parsonage and also cut the wood up. There is about 2 cord of wood there. The secretary is to write to Mr. Murray thanking him for his work and requesting a bill for his labor and time.

It was reported that Mr. Grothe said that 2 loads of stone had been put in the drive and that Campbell's man would be here soon to roll same. Cinders are needed and, also a pipe is necessary to prevent the driveway from washing out. After discussion it was moved and seconded that

- 1.) one additional load of stone be placed in the drive
- 2.) Mrs. Schaeffer contact Mr. Lee and see if he will haul the cinders from Mr. Nelsch's as soon as possible
- 3.) Necessary pipe is to be properly installed so as to prevent any further washing of the drive.

The rain spouts on the church seem to be stopped up. This is causing the building to leak. It was moved & seconded that Mr. Nelsch contact Mr. Zipp & have him thoroughly inspect the roof and the spouts and repair same.

There is no insurance on the parsonage and an insufficient amount on the Church property. Following a lengthy discussion it was decided that Mrs. Gingling be asked to have the underwriters examine

the church property and the parsonage to determine whether we may get the following amounts of insurance

Church \$28,000

Parsonage 5,000

Garage 500

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$431.51
Benevolence Balance \$203.23. World Service not yet paid.

It was moved & seconded that the election of a lay leader be postponed until Adjournment Quarterly Conference.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Acting Secretary

June 13, 1944

Called Meeting

An informal called meeting was held in the church corridor with Mr. Corroddum in the chair. Rev. Brashears led in prayer.

Mrs. Schaeffer explained that there are two bedrooms in the parsonage which must be furnished. The W.S.C.P. will buy furniture for one room if the official board will purchase the second one.

After discussion it was moved and seconded that the official board purchase furniture for one bedroom. The selection of necessary pieces is to be made by the Women's Purchasing Committee.

Following this the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

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Reisterstown, Maryland.

To the:

May 17th 1944.

Official Board of The Reisterstown Methodist
Church, to Mrs. Turnbaugh —

I received your nice letter and
feel amply repaid for any work I
have done.

I am happy at any time to do
anything for the Church or Parsonage
or minister.

Sincerely

Archibald F. Murray

July 3, 1944

The official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on July 3, 1944 in the Church School Room with Mr. Corrour presiding. The following members were present - Mrs. Schaffer, ~~Miss~~ Frank, ~~Miss~~ Welch, Corrour, De Moss, VonderSmith, Brashers, and Gingrich. Following a prayer by Rev. Brashers, the minutes of the May meeting and the special meeting of June 13 were read and approved as read.

Mr. Welch reported that Mr. Japp had been contacted, but to date no work had been done on the rain spouts.

Mr. Hampt will complete the bulletin board and send bill for same.

Mr. Uller reported that the Insurance Underwriters had examined the church properties and the following amounts of insurance had been taken out.

Church	\$18,500	
Recreation Hall	\$7,000	
Parsonage	\$5,000	
Garage	\$500	21,000

The driveway is partly finished. The stones have been laid and the drainage pipe installed, but the cinders have not yet been spread. A suggestion, that the cinders be spread more thinly, was made. Mr. Lee and Mr. Skipper are to be contacted to help haul the cinders.

Mr. Corrour expressed a desire to withdraw as chairman of the board, but it was moved and seconded that he be re-elected.

It was moved and seconded that Rev. Brashers' moving expenses amounting to \$36.05 be paid.

Mr. Schaffer is to install a light in the parsonage garage.

A screen door is needed for the front of the parsonage. Mr. Corrour volunteered to properly install same at an early date.

Following discussion it was moved and seconded

that the pastor, acting as a committee of one, purchase necessary stationery ^{and mimeograph material} for Church use and present the bill to the Board. Church Bulletins which cost 50¢ per week are to be bought, to replace bulletins now in use.

Communion will be observed the first Sunday in each month. Mrs. Mummaugh was given permission to purchase communion needs and present bill for same to the board.

Envelopes not yet distributed are to be mailed out.

Rev. Brashears expressed a desire that this year be a very fine one. He likes Reisterstown and the parsonage. He hopes to stay here a long while. This can be, if the people of the Methodist Church will work together for the Kingdom of Christ.

Mrs. Schaeffer explained that one sewing machine in the Red Cross Sewing Room had been broken and also garbage had been left. It was felt that the young people who used the Recreation Hall were responsible. No decision was made. Margarette Frank explained that the Campfire Girls, ^{the Rec Group} needed a piano for their meetings and would like to have the door leading from the Recreation Hall to the Sunday School Room left open so they might secure the piano. After lengthy discussion it was moved & seconded that the Reisterstown Recreation Group be allowed the use of the Recreation Hall until rescinded by the official Board.

Mr. Grothe is to have the door open the last Thursday night in every month. It was felt that a chaperon was needed for these young folk. Rev. Brashears and Harry Vondersmith are to act as chaperons.

Mrs. Schaeffer presented a bill of \$102.76 which represented the part to be paid by the official board, on the newly purchased furniture. It was moved & seconded that this bill be paid.

The following committee was appointed to contact other heads of the various church divisions and plan a reception for the pastor & his family - Harry Vondersmith, Mr. Welsch, Mrs. Ray.

Mr. Cross, is to be notified by Mr. Corriveau, to

instruct Mr. Grothe concerning the cleaning of the
Recreational Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

August 7, 1944

The regular meeting of the Official Board of the Ristratown Methodist Church, met on August 7, 1944 with Mr. Corroumn in the chair. Other members present were Misses Welch, De Moss, VonderSmith, Peregry, Cross, Rev. Brashears, Mrs. Schaffer & Mummough. Following a prayer by Rev. Brashears, the minutes of the July meeting were read & approved.

The bulletin board is still unfinished.

The screen door at the parsonage has been installed. A rising vote of thanks was given Mr. Corroumn for his excellent work.

Mr. Jupp has promised to repair the roof as soon as possible.

It is very necessary that the Recreation Hall be thoroughly cleaned. The ladies now cleaning the church auditorium cannot take on added responsibilities. After discussion it was moved & seconded that a committee is appointed to thoroughly investigate janitorial duties & present salary and determine the possibilities of getting complete janitor service for the 2 churches bldgs. Mr. Welch & Mr. De Moss were appointed.

Rev. Brashears reported that church stationery is on hand and the bill for same has been presented to the treasurer.

The light in the garage has not yet been installed but work on it will be started during the next week. It was moved & seconded that light wires be run over head rather than underground as previously decided upon.

Paint & brushes are at the parsonage. It was moved & seconded that an evening be selected & the men asked to come together & paint the kitchen & partry. Mr. Corroumn is to select the evening.

After discussion, Harry VonderSmith was appointed head usher to arrange for ushering at the morning service.

Suggestions for improving the morning service will be appreciated by the pastor if they are given to him. Rev. Brashears would like to have a map of the town if anyone has one.

Permission was granted Rev. Brashears to house his trailer in the back shed.

Suggestions for the Fall & Winter Program are to be brought to the next board meeting.

A group of the young people of our church directed by Mr. & Mrs. Chaney are anxious to form a music & dramatic club & would like the use of the Recreation Hall. After discussion it was moved & seconded that we grant the privilege of using the hall for dramatic club purposes, but in close collaboration with the pastor.

Treasurer reported a balance of \$393.71

Building Fund \$ 393.71

It was decided that we buy 4 large offering plates. Rev. Brashears is to take care of this purchase.

It was moved & seconded that the men of the church meet on Thursday evening at 7:30 & help to haul cinders. Mrs. Schaffer is to contact Mr. Lee & Mr. Corrum is to get in touch with Mr. Skipper.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

September 11, 1944

The regular monthly meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on September 11, 1944 with the following members present - Rev. Brashears, Misses Couroum, Uhler, Peigoy, ^{Welch} and Mrs. Mummaugh. Following a prayer, led by Rev. Brashears, the minutes of the August meeting were read and approved.

The light in the garage has been installed.

The bulletin board is still unfinished, but Rev. Brashears will contact Bill Hampt and endeavor to get it completed.

Offering plates have been bought and paid for.

Before winter it will be necessary to have another cinder haul.

Mr. Welch reported that the janitorial committee had as yet found no one to fill the job as janitor for both buildings. It was suggested, by Mr. Couroum, that Mr. Wilson of Chateaufort Ave. be contacted to see if he were interested.

Mrs. Mummaugh expressed her thanks, on behalf of the Women's Christian Temperance, for the wonderful response made by the Official Board and the members of the Methodist Church, in contributing to the Ambulance Fund. \$50 was donated.

Rev. Brashears would like to have the kitchen in the parsonage painted. Sept. 25 was selected as the night, and the announcement is to appear in the bulletin on the following 2 Sundays.

Mrs. Ermskar had requested the privilege of using our pipe organ and which to take lessons. Permission was granted.

On October 1 we will observe World Wide Communion. Letters will be sent to our entire membership inviting them to partake of this holy sacrament wherever they may be.

Rev. Brashears would like the official board

to request the finance committee to prepare a budget to be distributed to the people of our church, so that they will know the expected disbursements.

Mr. Grothe asked that the official board get the last bench in our auditorium cut in half, so that during a funeral the bench may be removed by one person. At present the size of the bench makes it impossible to be moved without help. After discussion, it was moved & seconded that Mr. Baseman do the work at the expense of the board.

The chair at the Communion table needs repair. Rev. B. volunteered to have this work taken care of. Expenses will be met by the board.

Treasurer reported a balance of \$380.10

Building Fund \$156.63

The bill for installing the garage light at the parsonage was presented & ordered paid.

It was suggested that the committee in charge of raising money for the building fund meet & discuss the possibilities of launching a campaign during October & November.

Church books are to be audited.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

October 2, 1944

The official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on October 2. Members present were Sisters, De Moss, Vonderemith, Uhler, R. Guring, Kelsch, Peregry, Gengerich. Rev. Brashears and Mrs. Mummaugh & Schaeffer. Mr. De Moss acted as chairman. Following the prayer, the minutes were read and one correction made - the word previous should be used instead of the word following.

Old Business was as follows.

The bulletin board is to be finished this week.

The communion chair is also to be repaired the following week.

The kitchen is not yet painted. October 16, at 7 o'clock was selected as the date for the painting to be done.

A budget has been prepared by the Finance Committee & is ready for print.

New Business

It was moved & seconded that Mr. Gooch check the furnaces in both the church and the recreation building. Elmer Peregry is to contact Mr. Gooch.

A donation of 1 T. of coal ^{given} by the Red Cross Group, to be used to help "heat" the sewing rooms, was 'gratefully accepted by the board.

It was moved & seconded that all doors and cupboards in both buildings be securely locked and that the pastor be given keys for same.

A letter ^{announcing} explaining the "Crusade For Christ" was read. Our church is to be asked for approximately 2 to times our present world service quota.

Treasurer reported a balance of \$226.79
Bldg. Fund \$113.38

World Service Balance - \$320.57

Adjournment:

Respectfully
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

November 6, 1944

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on November 6 in the Church School Room. Members present were Rev. Brashears, Mrs. Olive Schaffer & Misses Corroumn, VonderSmith, Gingerich.

Following a prayer led by our pastor, the minutes of the October meeting were read and approved.

Old business was as follows: -

1. Locks are being installed in the church buildings
2. The budget has been fully prepared and ^{is} ready for print.
3. Mr. Corroumn reported that Mr. Wilson would not consider the job of janitor for both buildings.
4. The Bulletin Board is completed.
5. The communion chair is being repaired.

New business: - ^{The} kitchen has been painted.

1. Mr. Cross and Mr. Corroumn are to inspect the furnace in the former Grace Church and see that any necessary parts are either repaired or replaced so that the furnace may be satisfactorily used.
2. It was brought to the attention of the board that the Kiwanis is anxious to have the rear of the former Grace Church equipped as a kitchen & dining room with running water etc. They will be willing to furnish part of the money to carry on this work if the Board will supply the rest. After discussion, it was moved and seconded that a committee composed of Mr. Cross, Mr. Corroumn, Rev. Brashears and Mr. Harry VonderSmith be appointed to work with the committee from the Kiwanis Club and find out definitely what the Kiwanis think about it and just how much help can be expected.
3. It is necessary to repair the pillars on the Grace Building. Mrs. Turbaugh is to contact Mr. Leppo and get an estimate on repairs for same.

4. Beginning with our next communion, the idea of having wafers and having 18 come to the table each time from alternate sides, will be adopted.

5. The church building is in need of painting on the exterior. Mr. Harrison is to be contacted & an estimate gotten on the cost of painting wood work and ^{brick} ~~brick~~.

A ^{treasurer's} report showing a balance of \$ 333.53 was read. ^{from the W.C.F.U}

A letter of thanks to our Church people was read.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

350 South Main Street
Reisterstown, Maryland
October 30, 1944

Mrs. Walter Turnbaugh, Secy. Official Board
Reisterstown Methodist Church
Reisterstown, Maryland

Dear Mrs. Turnbaugh:

The Reisterstown W.C.T.U.
wishes to thank you for your generous donation
toward the Maryland W. C. T. U. Ambulance
Fund.

However, as a matter of
explanation, approximately \$2,000.00 only was
collected, which amount was not sufficient to
purchase an ambulance, and too, no ambulance
was available at present time if goal had been
reached. Therefore, a motion was passed at
the State Convention at Hampstead authorizing
the State Officers to use their own discretion
as to what they purchased with this amount of
money, probably it would be a Station Wagon.

Thanking you again for
your wonderful cooperation to this great and
worthy cause, I remain

Very truly yours,

Olive E. Shaeffer

Olive E. Shaeffer
Acting Secretary
Reisterstown W.C.T.U.

November 28, 1944

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on November 28 in the church vestibule. Members present were Rev. Brashear, Mrs. Olin Schaeffer and the Misses Nelsch, Robert Owings, Gingerich, Harry Vonderemith, Peregoy and Corroymn.

Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashear the old business was heard ^{representatives}

1. The Kiwanis ^{representatives} will meet with the committee from the official board to discuss possible changes in the location of the church kitchen & dining room on December 12.
2. Mr. Leggo will not repair the porch and pillars on the Grace Building, but will redo entirely for \$300 - \$325. After discussion, it was decided to postpone any action until April.
3. Upon hearing a report from Mr. Corroymn concerning the condition of the furnace in the Grace Building, it was regularly moved & seconded that the furnace be repaired as found necessary.
4. The altar chair has been repaired free of charge by Mr. Fred Mormann, a friend of Rev. Brashear. The Secretary was asked to write a note of thanks.
5. The church painting committee has not been able to contact Mr. Harrison.

New Business

1. After discussion it was moved and seconded that the ladies who now clean the Church be employed to clean the entire Grace Building every other week for the sum of \$8 per month.
2. The Board gave special permission to the Sub District to hold their Institute during January & February in our church buildings. They are to pay for light and fuel.
3. A donation of \$10 per year from the Talent

Club for use of the Grace Building was accepted by the board.

Rev. Brashear explained the Crusade For Christ Movement to the board. 25 million dollars is to be raised by all Methodism. \$2,215.50 is the quota for our Church and Deer Park. This money must be subscribed before March 1945, but is payable up to January 1946.

To get this matter of the Crusade for Christ to the people of our congregation, it was suggested that the pamphlet "The Crusade For Christ" be placed in each church member's hand and be read & discussed by the pastor & congregation. Pledge cards are to be distributed on Dec. 17 following the presentation to the congregation. Letters to members unable to be at church, will be sent explaining this drive. A separate Treasurer will be appointed to keep all records and money.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Sec.

January 2, 1945

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The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on January 2nd in the church school room. Members present were Rev. Brashears and Messrs. Corroumn, Welsh, Peregoy and Vondersmith. Meeting opened by the Chairman, Mr. Corroumn, after which we were lead in prayer by Rev. Brashears.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Old Business: (1) On Dec. 12th the committee from the Official Board was unable to meet with Kiwanis representatives to discuss changes in location of church kitchen and dining room from our regular church building to the Grace Building. Another date was set, Tuesday Jan. 9th at 8:00 P.M., following Kiwanis meeting. Committee will make a report at next Board meeting.

(2) Mr. Corroumn reported that furnace in Grace Building had been repaired.

(3) Harry Vondersmith contacted Mr. Marion Harrison and he is going to give us two estimates; One, for painting outside woodwork of church; the other, for painting the whole church.

(4) Rev. Brashears reported that he was a little disappointed in that the pledges for "Crusade For Christ" were coming in a little slower than he expected up to the present time, but that he was far from being discouraged. He is going to send out a letter to each church member on roll early next week. Then on the following Sunday he is going to ask each person to bring his personal pledge and place it on the altar. He also said that he hoped the Woman's Society would be very generous as to its pledge, and that in most of the churches this organization was assuming approximately 1/5 of the apportionment of the whole amount pledged for the church.

New Business: Rev. Brashears reported that Mr. Grothe would like a representative from each organization to notify him as to meetings to be held in the church so he could arrange to have fire. However, Mr. Peregoy suggested that each Sunday a church bulletin, in which all meetings should be published, be placed on Bulletin Board in vestibule, and he volunteered to do same.

(2) According to church news in a Towson paper, Rev. Harrison is listed as pastor of Reisterstown Methodist Church instead of Rev. Brashears. Mr. Corroumn is to get in touch with editor and have this correction made.

(3) Treasurer's report, showing a balance of \$331.01, was read.

(4) After a discussion on the condition of the pipe organ, it was regularly moved and seconded that Harry Vondersmith contact Mrs. Louis Susemihl to find out the name of the man who fixed it several years ago when she was organist, and then get in touch with him to obtain an estimate on general overhauling of same.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Olive Shaeffer
Acting Secretary

February 6, 1945

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on February 6th. in the church school room. Mr. Colbourn presided. Members present were Rev. Brashers, Misses Stevenson, Vondersmith, Welsch, De Moss, Perego, Cross and Mrs. Schaeffer. Following a prayer, lead by Mr. Brashers, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Old Business

1.) Due to bad weather, the meeting with the Kiwanis representatives scheduled for January 9th was postponed. February 14th was suggested as a convenient date for the meeting.

2.) The estimate for the needed church painting is not in.

3.) The furnace is to be patched until Spring and as soon as the fire can be dispensed with, a new section will be purchased and installed. (This was carried from the discussion at a called meeting on Sunday February 4.)

New Business

1.) The following report concerning the "Crusade for Christ" was made.

	Amount Subscribed	Amount Paid In	No. of Subsc.
Over Park	\$ 4 21	\$ 4 21	23
Reisterstown	\$ 17 91	\$ 9 59	58
Total	\$ 22 12	\$ 13 80	81

It was moved & seconded that the Official Board instruct the finance committee to send a form letter to each member who hasn't yet contributed and enclose an envelope and ask them to contribute. Expense of same to be taken out of receipts.

2.) Number of Advocate Subscribers - 18

- 3.) Amount contributed to Missionary & Church Extension Society - \$56
- 4.) Rev. Brashears hoped to have a meeting one night each week during Lent, but due to the fuel shortage, this will be impossible. However three services will be held - one on Wednesday, one Thursday and one on Friday evening, during Holy Week. Special speakers will be secured for 2 of the 3 services.
- 5.) The secretary is to write a letter of thanks to Mrs. Berryman, thanking her, Mrs. Eliza Gwinger & Mrs. Naomi Kalue for filing the church membership cards.
- 6.) A shingle is off the Parsonage roof. Repair is needed.
- 7.) The water meter froze over during the recent cold spell. It was opened. The Board will pay any expenses in connection with this.
- 8.) It was moved and seconded that Lenten boxes be purchased so they can be distributed the first Sunday in Lent. The secretary is to contact Dudley Bosch.
- 9.) Treasurer reported a balance of \$349.77

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

March 5, 1945

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on March 5, 1945 in the Church Auditorium. Members present were Rev. Brachear, the Mistere, Welch, Courcumn, Uhler, Vonderomith, Cross + Gingerich. Following the prayer led by Rev. Brachear, the minutes of the February meeting were read and approved.

Old Business

- 1.) New subscribers to the Christian Advocate have not received the paper as yet. Rev. Brachear will write and find out why.
- 2.) The Committee which met with the Kiwanis on February 14, 1945 brought back the following report. The Kiwanis felt that the women of our church wanted a kitchen & a dining room in the former Grace Church. They are pleased with the dining room in the Church School Room, but would like to have toilet facilities. If such facilities are installed the Kiwanis will help finance same, but would guarantee no amount or percentage of the total cost. After discussion of the above details, it was moved and seconded that the Committee be discharged with thanks, since, under present conditions we are not able to install any toilet facilities.
- 3.) Shingle on the parsonage roof to be repaired in the near future.
- 4.) To date, no estimate for the painting of the church, has been received.
- 5.) Harry Vonderomith is to contact Mrs. Rusemihl, see who has been repairing our organ and try to have it repaired in the very near future.

New Business

- 1.) 18 Young People are studying for church membership and will be brought into the church on Palm Sunday.
- 2.) A bill for \$1.50 from Mr. Grothe for helping repair the furnace in the Grace Building was presented & ordered paid.
- 3.) Benevolences are a bit short, but with the contributions from the Sunday School and the Lenten Boxes, this amount should be easily made up.
- 4.) Young Adults felt they should pay something toward fuel & lights in the church building since they use same once a week. The Board will be willing to accept a donation, but will make no charges.
- 5.) The Pastoral Relations Committee will have to be nominated at the next Quarterly Conference. After discussion as to the number of members on this committee the board came to the following agreement - "We the Board give this as an opinion, that we have a pastoral Relations Committee of not more than 5 members from the two Churches - Deer Park & Reisterstown."
- 6.) Mrs. Wilson would like to purchase the bench in the rear of the Sunday School Room. Since the bench is used when needed, it was moved & seconded that we keep the bench.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
 Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
 Secretary

* April 1945 - Meeting was a Conference - no minutes for this book.

May 7, 1945

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date at the church. Members present were Rev. Brashears, Mister Corroumn, Welsch, Vonderemith, R. Owings, De Moss, Singerich, Peregoy + Mrs. Schaeffer. Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashears the following old business was discussed.

1.) The shingle on the parsonage roof has not been repaired. Mr. Corroumn + Robert Owings volunteered to do the repair work the following Wednesday evening.

2.) The organ has been repaired and the bill paid, however the bellows must be sent to the factory and be rebuilt since temporary repair will no longer do. Rev. Brashears will write to the Mohler Organ Co. in Hagerstown + get an estimate as to price of rebuilding + the length of time needed for the work to be completed.

3.) Harry Vonderemith reported that an estimate of \$800-900 for painting the entire church was given by Mr. Harrison.

New Business -

1.) Before conference convened we are to select a lay leader and a financial secretary. Mr. J. Singerich is to contact Donald Christy to discuss the possibilities of him taking a job.

2.) A letter addressed to Rev. Brashears, from Eileen Grothe, was read in which the writer stated facts concerning her father's ignitorial duties, complaints and resignation. It was moved + seconded that the Board accept Mr. Grothe's resignation as of June 1, 1945.

3.) Mr. Corroumn + Mr. Cross are to repair door knobs in the Sunday School room of the

- former Grace Church + send the bill to the Board.
- 4.) The Board of Trustees are to meet Friday evening, May 11. Mr. Brashear will notify members.
 - 5.) Benevolence Treasurer reported a balance of \$112.61
 - Treasurer balance - \$369.76
 - 6.) It is necessary that the Finance Committee meet to fix the pastor's salary for the coming year.
 - 7.) A letter from the Young Adults concerning their gift of \$20 toward expenses of lighting & heating, was read.
 - 8.) A card of thanks from the Family of the late Mrs. D. Yingling was read.
 - 9.) Harry W. is to contact Mr. Baseman & have the benches fixed.

Meeting adjourned,

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Sec.

May 27th 1945

A called meeting of the Official Board was held following the morning worship on the above date. Rev. Brashear reported that a man, Evan Gaither, colored, would take the job as janitor and would keep the fires up & also take care of the cleaning. It was moved & seconded, after discussion, that Evan Gaither be employed, to do all the janitorial work for the sum of \$45 per month.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Sec.

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Your kind expression of sympathy
is gratefully acknowledged
and deeply appreciated

The Family of
Mrs. S. S. Yingling.

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April Bal

369.76

Current Envelopes 238.65

Plate Collection - 4528²

Communion Cal- 8.84

Easter Envelopes 375

Heat 50

Initial Envelopes 60

Thanksgiving " 100

Xmas " 100

Mother's Day Collection 65.25

" " " Deer Park - 3900

Sunday School 1500

W. S. P. S. 1000

John H. Jones - Donation 1500

813.63

Receipts 813.63

Expenses

379.28

May Bal - 434.35

over -

Current Expenses

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Pastor Salary —	167.24
Janitor — Mr. Sackin	8.00
" Mr. Brothe	20.00
Upper Rooms - S. School	2.70
Conference Claimants	29.00
Gas & Electric	14.14
Benevolence Treas -	104.25
Organist - 3 Specials	21.00
Methodist Publ. House	6.50
Mastu Product Co.	<u>6.45</u>
	379.28

19 Butler Road
Glyndon, Md.
April 24, 1945

Mr. Elmer Peregay, Treas.
Reisterstown Methodist Church
Reisterstown, Md.

Dear Mr. Peregay: .

Recently the Executive Committee of the Young Adult Group of the Reisterstown Methodist Church voted to pay the church treasury \$20. to help defray the expense of lighting & heating the building where we meet. It was decided we pay half now and the balance six months later.

I am enclosing a check for \$10.00 to cover the first payment.

Yours Truly,
(Mrs) Dorothy L. Seaboes
Secretary - Treasurer.

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Reisterstown, Md.

May 2, 1945

Dear Mr. Braschere,

It is with a heavy heart that I begin writing this letter. Probably I shouldn't write it at all but when you see someone you love being hurt you will do most anything.

I suppose I should begin by telling you that my father has been making fire at the church for five years. In that time there has not been once that he didn't have the buildings very comfortable if it was in his power ^{to} do so. That

168 F is until just the other Sunday. I will admit he should ^{have} had heat but I do not feel that all of the blame should be placed on him alone. If the present man cannot furnish the necessary fuel, it seems to me that there are places from whom the coal could be purchased. Aside from the fact that there should also be proper kindling furnished. I will wager not one of the members of the congregation would do and work as my father has done this year and take all the insults he has taken and still keep their mouths shut and their heads held high.

Another thing that has come to the fore now, and I'm glad it will be settled now is the fact that another person will have to be gotten to take care of the church. Possibly this has already been done.

No one seems to know anything about it. That is none of the so called officials of the church know anything about looking for a new man.

And yet a lot of the women have talked it around until finally the

rumor has gotten back to me. 686
I know that for at least two
months some one has been
trying to find another person
to fill my fathers place. A
Church organization in my
opinion would be the last
place where underhanded work
would be carried on. And yet
I feel that just that is the
way things are going now. The
women of the church wanted
to be sure of another person
before they said anything to
my father. If he doesn't do to
suit the people why not

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H tell him so that he can correct his mistakes. Don't let the people criticize him when he isn't around and when he is around be so nice to him. He doesn't that kind of way of living and neither do I. It takes a lot to make him angry but when he gets angry you can't know it's for a good reason.

I'm writing this letter to you because I don't know who else on the official board to write it to.

It is a matter that should be brought up before the board I feel sure.

Therefore if the members would be so little as to not give him any notice when he is no longer needed please accept this as his resignation. He will of course make fire Sunday because the board will not have met by that time.

After that I cannot assure you what he will do.

It is a shame that when the world as a whole is in such a chaos that trifles such as this have to occur.

I suggest that when a new person is employed he be given his duties in writing and also from whom he should take his orders. I feel that if this had been done in the past things would not be the way they are. By my fathers hardship may someone profit.

Sincerely yours
Aileen Grothe

June 4, 1945

The regular meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with the following members present - Rev. Brashear, Mrs. Schaeffer & the Misses Uhler, H. Vondersmith, R. Cwings.

Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashear, the old business was discussed.

1. No additional information has been secured concerning repair of the organ.
2. The shingle on the parsonage roof has been fixed.
3. No lay leader or financial secretary has been selected.
4. The Committee on Finance met and set the Pastor's salary at \$2450. This is a \$125 advance over last year. This ~~amount~~ ^{action} was moved, seconded and passed by the board.
5. The door knobs on the former Grace Building have been repaired.
6. Mr. Baseman has been contacted and he will repair the benches and install necessary locks on the church property. The church is to be kept locked.

New Business—

1. Curtains (blinds) are needed in our church.
2. An awning is needed for the parsonage porch. Mr. Brashear is to get information on price of same if any are available.
3. Mr. Brashear volunteered to lend his mower for use on the church property.
4. It was moved and seconded that Mr. Welsch contact Mr. Zepp and have the furnaces in both buildings repaired so they'll be ready for use in the fall.

5. It was suggested that more ^{hymn} books of the latest issue be secured for use in the church.
6. On June 12 Rev. Brashears is going to the hospital and for 4 Sundays there will be supply ministers. Services will be held as usual.
7. Treasurer reported at balance of 434.35-
Benepolences balance - \$176.51
- The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

August 6, 1945

The regular monthly meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with the following members present - Rev. Brashear, Mrs. Schaffer & the Mistars Cross, Peregoy, H. Vondermiltz, Fingerich, De Moss, Helich and Corroumn.

Following a prayer by the pastor, the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Old Business

A bill of \$1.00 for the Bulletin Board was received from Bill Hampt. It was ordered paid.

Neither the benches nor the pews have been repaired, but this will be taken care of.

Pillars on the former Grace Church are in need of repair. After discussion it was moved & seconded that the matter be turned over to Mr. Cross & Mr. Corroumn who would get estimates and if necessary call the board together to present their findings so that work might begin immediately. A special collection will be asked for to help defray this expense.

No Lay Leader or Financial Secretary has been appointed.

To date no estimate for window blinds has been secured from Catrider. It was suggested that J. W. Mather of Westminster be contacted & an estimate gotten.

Rev. Brashear volunteered to find out if supplementary sections including the rituals for the hymnals are still available and if so, get a price on same.

New Business

A storm door is needed for the kitchen

door on the Parsonage. Rev. Brashears was authorized to secure a door at the lumber company.

Revised apportionments were read. ^{There is} A difference of \$29.00 (twenty-nine dollars) ^{addition} as over last year.

Treasurer reported a balance of \$352.23

Building Account Balance - \$34.60

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

August 20, 1945

A called meeting of the Official Board was held on the above date to discuss the probable renting of the Sunday School Room and Kitchen for use by organizations other than those of our own church. After discussion it was moved, seconded and passed that the ^{Kitchen} Sunday School Room ~~Kitchen~~ nor equipment be rented for use by anyone except our church Groups.

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Schedule Of Service Charges

THE REISTERSTOWN SAVINGS BANK

REISTERSTOWN, MD.

Revised August 1, 1945

Due to increased cost of handling your account and the low return on investments of all kinds, it has become necessary to revise our charges on checking accounts as follows:

All accounts with no exceptions subject to a carrying charge of \$.25 per month.

All check books to be paid for by the customer at \$.02 per check regardless of number of checks, checks requested by mail to be charged to customers account.

Customers who use own printed checks \$.02 per check chargeable to the account monthly.

Imprinting checks \$2.00 for each 500 checks or at cost whichever is greater.

Additional charges made for the following services:

Checks certified for non customers	\$.50 each
Stop Payments	\$.50 each
Checks Returned for N.S.F.	\$.50 each
Checks Returned Post dated	\$.50 each

The above service charges are in conformity with sound banking practice that requires balances in checking accounts adequate to compensate the bank for service rendered.

In the event that rates at which money can be loaned improve, the schedule will be adjusted accordingly.

October 1, 1945

The monthly business meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church was held on the above date. Members present were Rev. Brashear, Mrs. Schaeffer and the Misses Corrumm, Welch, Vondersmith, Peregoy & Uhler. Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashear the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

New Business

1. A letter from the Mohler Organ Co., stating that they could repair the bellows for \$133 if they were removed from the organ & sent to Hagerstown, was read. Following discussion, it was moved and seconded that Harry Vondersmith contact Mr. Waters have him remove the bellows as soon as possible and send it to be repaired.
2. No estimate, for repairing the pillars on the former Grace Church, is available at this time.
3. Mr. Mather in Westminster will fit blinds to rollers for about \$1.50 each if the rollers are brought to the store. Rev. Brashear volunteered to see that the blinds were taken to Mather's.
4. Supplementary sections for hymnals have been purchased & will be placed in the older books.
5. Mr. Baseman will build the storm door for the parsonage as soon as material is available. Rev. Brashear will investigate possibilities of securing same from Refenider in Westminster.
6. It was moved & seconded that a vote of thanks be given Mr. Baseman who so

kindly repaired the benches and placed locks on the cupboard doors.

7. One furnace in the Sunday School room cannot be repaired and the furnace in the Grace Building needs 2 new sections. Also the pipes need to be properly installed. Mr. Zepp agreed to install 2 new sections in the furnace, fix the pipes and put a new ^{pipeless} furnace in the Sunday School room for about \$500. After lengthy discussion it was moved & seconded that the chairman be authorized to complete arrangements for the installation of the boiler and new furnace & also at the same time have installed city water. Mr. Zepp is to be asked to make all necessary arrangements for meter, etc.

8. No Lay Leader or Financial Secretary has been selected as yet.

Treasurer reported a balance of \$193.11.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh,
Secretary

October 7, 1945

A called meeting of the Official Bd. met on the above date following morning worship. Upon close inspection it was found that the bellows in the organ did not need to be removed to be fixed. Mr. Meyers, agreed to overhaul the bellows & tune the organ for \$100. It was moved & seconded that this be done rather than removing the bellows & sending them to Hagerstown.

October 31/45

A called meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Rev. Brashears presiding. Members present were Rev. Brashears, Mrs. Shaeffer and the Misses Usher, Melsch, Robt. Owings, Ole Moss, Gengerich, Peregry, Harry Tonderomith & W. Berryman. Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashears the following old business was carried on

1. The organ has been repaired. Mr. Meyers will send the bill.
2. The furnaces have been completed, but city water has not been installed. However, Mr. Zepp will take care of same.
3. Blinds for the church auditorium have been purchased and paid for - amount \$18.45.
4. Storm door which is really an end on the parsonage porch, has been completed.
5. No lay leader or financial secretary has been chosen.
6. Treasurer reported a balance of \$236.70.

New Business

1. The cellar door on the former Grace Church is in need of repair. Lumber necessary to do the work has been bought and Mr. Baseman is to do the work. The Board authorized this action.
2. Evangelism - Each church during the fall and winter, is conducting an evangelistic campaign. Mr. Guy H. Black is to be in Balto. on Nov. 12, 13, 14, & 15 to conduct schools of evangelism. Also at that time guest ministers from neighboring states, will be with us and aid us in an evangelistic campaign in our own neighborhood. Workers from our church, our own pastory & the guest pastors, will meet at the church each evening for four consecutive

days beginning November 12 and have supper and plan the evenings work. After supper, teams of two each, will visit in our community. All homes of those people, who for one of several reasons should be in our church, will be visited. Following these visitations, all workers will meet at the church again and discuss results. Following a clear explanation of the above, cards were distributed requesting signatures of interested workers.

Since this meeting is just one week from our regular board meeting and because all necessary business had been attended to, it was decided to postpone the regular November meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor D. Turnbaugh
Secretary.

January 7, 1946

The Official Board of the Keisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date in the Sunday School Room with the following members present - Rev Brashears, Mrs. Kay & the Misses Percy, Singerich, VonderSmith & Cross. Following a prayer led by Rev Brashears the minutes were read and approved.

New Business

1. Evangelistic Campaign is not yet complete, but results have been gratifying. 4 teams made 60 calls. There were 11 first decisions for Christ and 6 received by transfer. The last Sunday in January is the date for inviting others to join our church. Board members should make these new members feel at home in our church and community.

2. Cellar door incomplete, but will be completed very soon.

3. The pledges for the Crusade for Christ have not all been paid. Keisterstown quota \$2,205 Pledges \$2,389 Paid in \$1,900 Still Owning \$300.

Rev. Brashears was authorized to send letters asking that unpaid pledges be paid by January 31, 1946.

4. New envelopes are to be furnished all new church members.

5. Treasurer reported a balance of \$40.91. Building Fund Balance \$4.60.

6. A bill for \$577.⁰⁰ for the furnaces, was presented. After discussion, it was decided to collect a ^{for the} subscription to help finance these furnaces.

7. Church extension offering to be

taken at a regular church service during January.

8. A "Fellowship Supper" to be held during the early spring. ~~was decided~~ ^{was decided} the object would be purely social & good fellowship. A committee representing each church group will formulate more detailed plans.

9. It was moved & seconded that the bill for carrying water out of the cellar not be paid the janitor, since he hasn't met his duties fully.

10. Mr. Corrigan & Mr. Cross were authorized to make arrangements to replace needed rain spouting on the Grace Church.

11. Rev. Bishops is to contact Mr. Zepp & get an estimate on cost of converting to oil.

12. Mrs. Mummaugh has resigned as Communion Steward and Mrs. Bruchl & Mrs. Turnbaugh will act in Mrs. Mummaugh's place.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Sec.

78 A Dec Bal— \$ 40.91

Current Envelopes 150.85

Plate Collection 30.77

Com. Collection 793

W. S. C. S. 10.00

Xmas Envelopes 7.00

Heat " 25

Child Care 200

Elizabeth Caples 12.75

Missionary & Church Ext. 12.00

Crusade For Christ 10.00

Upper Room 05

Receipts 284.51

253.27

31.24

Expenses

Pastor's Salary 176.00

C. For Christ 10.00

Church Extension 12.00

Gas & Electric 10.27

Janitor 45.00

253.27

February 4, 1946

The Official Bd. of the Risterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with the following members present - Rev. Brashears, Mrs. Harry Ray & the Misses Welsh, St. Vondersmith, Gingrich, & Uhler. Rev. Brashears called the meeting. The following business was taken care of.

1. Cellar door in Grace Building completed.
 2. Letters are to be sent to members asking for subscriptions to help pay for the furnaces. ^{\$22.50} The W. S. C. S. will probably donate ~~\$100.00~~ ^{\$100.00} and the G. O. Y. Club ~~\$30.00~~ ^{\$30.00}.
 3. Possibilities of securing an oil burner, were discussed, but no action taken.
 4. It was moved and seconded that Mr. Zepp be contacted in reference to the fact that new furnace is not adequate.
 5. Financial report showed a balance of \$31.24.
- There being no additional business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,
John Gingrich
Secretary Protem

March 13, 1946

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Rev. Brashears as chairman. The following members were present - Robert Owings, Harry Vondersmith & Elmer Perego.

Minutes were read and approved after changing the ^{amount of the} donation of the ^{W.S.C.S.} from \$150 to \$100 and adding a donation of \$50 from the Sunday School for the furnace.

The Roof on the Grace Building has been repaired, but is in need of paint. After discussion Robert Owings and Elmer were appointed to take care of buying the paint, and the Official Board members will put it on.

It was suggested that rather than have the Board meeting each month, regardless of the business to be taken care of, we call Board meetings when necessary. No definite action was taken.

The Board moved & seconded & passed that \$6 be donated to help purchase hymnals to be used at Montrose School for Girls. Once a month our Pastor goes to Montrose and holds service. The service is lacking in ^{dignity} ~~formality~~ due in a measure to lack of hymnals. Eleven ministers are dividing the responsibility of purchasing the hymnals.

Report on money collected or promised for the Furnaces was as follows

Cash donated	\$ 339
Promised	73
	<hr/> 412
Balance needed	165.65
Total	<hr/> \$ 577.15

Treasurer reported a balance of \$4.18
with several bills outstanding.
Balance in benevolences \$65.06.

The Oving Mills School was donated
a collection plate which is no longer needed
in the church.

Adjournment

Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

March 24, 1946

Following the morning worship service a
called meeting of the Board was held at
which time Donald Christoff was appointed
chairman of the collection of canned, dried,
& other non-perishable foods for starving
Europe & Asia.

Adjournment

Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

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15 May 6, 1946

Meeting of Official Board
as there was so few members
present it was decided
that we would dispense
with a formal meeting
and just discuss in general
the conditions and recom-
mendations in the church

The Treasurer Elmer
Gregory gave his report
we have a balance of
\$26.40. The Treasurer also
reported that we should
pay out in full this year

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Rev. Brashers had an estimate on Oil Burners from Mr Zipp. One unit in ~~the~~ Recreation Hall @ 275⁰⁰ Two units in Rusticton Church @ 267⁵⁰/₁₀₀ ~~each~~ each. The units will be complete with one 275 gal Tank in each bldg. To be located by the Owners.

The Financial Secty Dudley Gooch resigned his capacity to be effective the end of this conference year. It was suggested that Rev. Brashers contact

Norman McKinley to see if
 he would accept this duty
 also Rev Brashear is to
 contact Milton Peacock to
 act as asst financial Secy
 And Andrew Hubbard to
 be asst to Elmer Peryour
 our Treasurer for current
 expenses

The Youth Fellowship
 group was discussed and
 some solution for their
 lack of attendance noted
 No action could be taken
 on this subject.

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G. T. ZEPP

CONTRACTOR

WIRING - PLUMBING - HEATING

ARCADIA, UPPERCO P. O., MD.,

4/1/1946

M Asbury M. E. Church☐ ESTIMATE☐ WORKReisterstown, Maryland (West side)

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	TOTAL
	We are pleased to quote for oil burner installation for each hot air furnace as follows:-		
1	General Automatic oil burner or equal		
	1- Thermostat		
	1- Air Stat-control	No. 1 furnace	
	1- Draft-A-Stat		
	All wiring for the above.		
	Same for No. 2 Hot air furnace (No. 2 furnace)		
	The above to be supplied by 1- 275 gal. basement oil tank in cupboard or under step space.		
	Installed for the sum of:-		\$525.00
	Respectfully submitted,		
	<i>G. T. Zepp</i>		
	G. T. Zepp		

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G. T. ZEPP

CONTRACTOR

WIRING - PLUMBING - HEATING

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M Asbury M. E. Church☐ ESTIMATE☐ WORKReisterstown, Maryland(Social Hall)

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	TOTAL
	The following to be installed for oil		
	burner job as follows:-		
1	General Automatic or equal oil burner with:		
	1- Thermostat T-11		
	1- Steam Pressuretrol T-44		
	1- Stack switch R-119		
	(Minneapolis Honeywell controls)		
	1- Draft-A-Stat		
1	275 gal. basement oil tank with gauge.		
	Pipe to be installed for fitting & venting.		
	Wired and complete ready for use for the		
	sum of:-		\$275.00
	Respectfully submitted,		
	<i>G. T. Zepp</i>		
	G. T. Zepp		

Mr. Zepp
Contract
for Oil Burners
May - 1946

May 20, 1946

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Mr. Corroon presiding and the following members present - the Messrs. Welsh, Shanklin, Vondersmith, Uhler and Rev. Brashears. Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashears, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Unfinished Business

1. A financial Secretary has not yet been appointed. It was moved and seconded that the following young men be contacted and if they accept the office, be appointed.
 Norman McKins - Financial Secretary
 Milton Percock - Assistant
 Andrew Hubbard - Assist. to the Treasurer.

2. The furnaces are not yet paid for. A balance of \$121 remains. Possibility of securing an oil burner were discussed. It was moved and seconded that the following committee be appointed to get prices and recommendations on installing steam heat and an oil burner in the church and constructing a building in the rear of the church to house same - Rev. Brashears, Mr. Welsh, Mr. Shanklin.

3. Mr. Haines is to be contacted to see if he will mow the lawns and cut the hedge. Also he is to sweep pavements and keep the grounds clean. Mrs. Berryman is to pay Mr. Haines and Elmer will pay Mr. Berryman.

4. Mrs. Schaeffer is to ask the ladies who formerly cleaned the interior of the church, to clean weekly.

New Business

1. Harry Vondersmith and Elmer Perry

were appointed to secure the ^{church} \$50 for material to redo the hall floor with tile. John Shanklin, Bob Owings and Mrs. Corroumn will do the work.

2. Treasurer reported a debt of \$54 but assured us that it would be taken care of by the following Sunday's collection.

Benevolence Treasurer reported a balance of \$24.54.

Respectfully
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Sec.

June 12, 1946

The official board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with the following members present - Rev. Brachears, Misters Welch, Geist, Uhler, Shanklin & Moss, Robert Owings, Cross & Turnbaugh. Rev. Brachears opened the meeting with a prayer. The minutes of the May 20th meeting were read and approved.

Unfinished
Business

Mr. Nelson Owings was appointed Financial Secretary and Walter Turnbaugh is to act as an assistant.

Mr. Haines is working on the lawn and hedge and the ladies are cleaning the church regularly.

Although Mr. Zepp had no estimate ready, he recommended blowers to transfer heat to the Sunday School Room and front hall due to lack of a basement under the building. Radiators would be installed upstairs. After lengthy discussion concerning a new heating plant ^{representing} the building, construction of a building in the rear of the church to house the furnace and rest rooms, it was moved & seconded that Mr. Morris Baker be requested to plan a room in the rear of the present building large enough to house the furnace and toilets as well.

New Business

All books for the past year are to be examined by the auditing committee before September. The ^{new} ^{see books} ~~Treasurer's~~ books are to be examined immediately before turning them over to the new financial secretary.

Mr. Arthur Geist & John Shanklin volunteered to inspect the roof of the church building and make recommendations concerning condition & repairs.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Eleanor B. Turnbaugh

July 1, 1946

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with the following members present Rev. Brashears, Mrs. Schaeffer and the Messrs Uhler, Vonderomith, Corroum, Nelson Owings, Peregrin, Geist, Shanklin, Robert Owings, and Turubough. Following a prayer, the minutes were read and one correction made.

Mr. Corroum called for Committee reports. The Auditing Committee reported that all books except 3 have been audited and found satisfactory. The 3 will be done as soon as they are given to the Committee.

Recommendations from Mr. Zepp, concerning installation of an oil burner were read and discussed. It was moved and seconded that the Committee meet with Mr. Zepp and decide definitely what is to be done concerning the heating. Also the Committee is to get at least 2 competitive bids and more explanation about installation. Mr. Arthur Geist was appointed as an additional member on the furnace committee.

A report, ^{from Mr. Shanklin} containing recommendations for repairing the roof, was read. It was moved and seconded that we accept the report and act on the suggestions. Mr. J. Shanklin & Mr. A. Geist were appointed to serve on the Roofing Committee and were asked to get estimates and call a meeting of the Board the following Sunday to present their estimates.

It was moved and seconded that the Board of Trustees be authorized to have approved a loan of \$7000 - Drawing \$1250 ^{\$1300} immediately and the balance to be held without interest to be drawn out as

needed.

It was felt that we should have a congregational meeting to present the matter of the need of better heating & accompanying cost.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$79.46.

Rev. Brashears was granted a two week vacation. During his absence ^{from the pulpit} on Aug. 4 & 11 regular services are to be held with guest ministers.

Financial Secretary Book has not yet been received.

All envelopes still at the church, were given to various members of the board, to be distributed.

The Committee on the chandelier is going to complete work on same. There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

July 7
Called meeting

September 9, 1946

The Official Board of the Leisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Mr. W. Corruman presiding. Members present were Rev. Brashears, H. VonderSmith, E. Peregory, J. Shanklin, W. Furnbaugh, P. Welsch, L. Uhler, H. De Moss and Mrs. Ray and Mrs. Schaeffer. Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashears, the minutes of the July meeting were read and approved.

The following Committees reported -

1. Auditing - All books have been audited and found satisfactory.

2. Furnace - The possibility, of using the present furnace but adjusting the size to fit the building, was discussed. The committee was authorized to contact Mr. Zepp and have him install a proper sized furnace in place of the present one which is highly unsatisfactory.

3. Roofing Committee - The contract has been given to Mr. Bollinger and work will begin as soon as is possible - probably this week.

4. Chandelier Committee - The chandelier is to be wired where it is. It was suggested that a wheel + pulley be installed to make moving and cleaning easier. Harry VonderSmith, John Shanklin and Mr. Corruman are to do the work.

New Business

The bucket a day stove has been installed in the parsonage and is working fine. The board authorized payment of bill for installing same and also the reimbursement of \$5 paid for the stove + due Rev. Brashears.

The possibility of selling lots off the rear lot of the parsonage was discussed. Mr. Uhler was asked to see if the deed is

a reversionary deed.

Eleanor Hecog, Pete Berryman and Mr. Geo. Uhler were appointed to secure a janitor who for the sum of \$25 a month would take care of the furnaces in both the Grace Building & the Ashbury Building and also would care for the lawn, hedge, walks and the rest of the Ashbury Building as far back as the cemetery. The janitor is to build fires when needed & in time to properly heat the buildings.

Mr. O. Warner donated 2 ^{trailer} loads of fire wood. Rev. Brashears, John Shanklin and Walter Turnbaugh volunteered their services to haul it and place it in the proper places.

Mrs. Schaeffer, a representative from the W.S.C.S. was present and reported that the W.S.C.S. would donate \$10 per month to help pay the Janitor.

It was suggested we drop Mutual Insurance and take out non assessable insurance as well as additional insurance if possible. A committee consisting of Mr. Geo. Uhler, Mr. P. Welsch & Mr. John Shanklin was appointed to investigate and bring a written report of prices, recommendations etc. concerning necessary insurance for the buildings.

Treasurer reported a balance of \$64.31. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh, Sec.

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WALLACE M. BRASHEARS
Minister

Churches
REISTERSTOWN
DEER PARK

September 14, 1946

To Whom it May Concern:

At the regular meeting of the
Official Board of the Reisterstown
Methodist Church, held on July 1, 1946,
the following resolution was passed -

" It was moved and seconded
that the Board of Trustees of the
Reisterstown Methodist Church be
authorized to borrow \$1500 to cover
the cost of roofing the Asbury Church
Building."

Eleanor B. Turnbaugh

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Current Envelopes	142.20
Plate Collection	33.83
Initial Envelopes	85
W.S. C.S.	20.00
July Bal	57.01
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	253.89

Expenses

Pastor Salary —	176.00
Upper Room	2.50
Gas & Electric	4.78
Stenants	2.30
Methodist Publ. House	4.00
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	\$189.58

Bal Aug — \$64.31

October 7, 1946

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Rev. Brashears presiding. Members present were the Sisters ~~Conner~~, St. Vondrasmith, Shanklin, Kelsch, Robert Owings, Geist and Cross and Mrs. Berryman. Following a prayer the minutes of the September meeting were read and approved.

The following old business was taken care of
Furnace Committee - Mr. Zepp will install a larger furnace as soon as it is available. The only charge will be in the difference on price of the ^{larger} furnace.
Janitor Committee - John Jones will accept job including items listed in minutes of September 9, 1946.

Insurance Committee - After hearing a report on a 5 pp. Insurance plan aimed to increase insurance on the church properties, it was moved & seconded that the committee get prices on the following amount of insurance.

Asbury - 25,000

Parsonage - 10,000

Grace - 7,000

Asbury 2,000

44,000

Furnishings -

Roofing Committee - All work is done except sprouting. Snowboards will be put up in the near future. Rev. Brashears will sell enough seasoned lumber to make these snow boards. John Shanklin and Mr. Geist volunteered to do the work.

The following new business was presented.

1. Mrs. Berryman would like a key to the church. Rev. Brashears volunteered to see that she gets one.
2. The Communion Steward was authorized to purchase glasses as needed. John Shanklin is to

contact Earle Gore and see if he'd like to donate an additional tray. This communion set was originally a gift from Mr. Gore's father.

3. It was suggested we put a notice in the bulletin asking for donations of hymnals since the green books are not easily usable at communion. No further action was taken.

4. A loan of \$1500 has been granted. Every 3 months a new note is given therefore we get the money at 04 $\frac{1}{2}$ interest. It is the aim to repay this loan in 18 yrs. time. Each quarter about \$187.50 will be needed.

In order to get the money, it was suggested that envelopes be distributed to cover a 2 year period of donations. One envelope will be used each month so that regular donations will come in. A letter will be sent each member and also personal visits made. By the following committee ^{was appointed} Mrs. Helen Berryman and the Sisters H. Vondusmith, John Shanklin, William Corrowmn and Arthur Geist. This committee will arrange for the collection of money. Mr. W. J. Stevenson is to be asked to serve as secretary of the money and records concerning same.

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh, Sec.

Roofing
Committee

November 4, 1946

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Rev. Brashears presiding. The following members were present. Mrs. Schaffer, the Mistery Cross, Shanklin, G. Uhler, H. Vopder-Smith and Peregrin. Following a prayer, the minutes of the October meeting were read and one correction, concerning the committee on roofing, made.

Old Business - 1.) Envelopes for roofing donations are on the way. The committee will meet and arrange for distribution of these envelopes. All persons using the envelopes are expected to give \$1 per month or more. Lesser donors will not need envelopes.

2.) A report from the Insurance committee stated that \$4,000 worth of additional insurance on a 5 year plan, can be had for \$81.37 the first year and \$27.12 each year thereafter with the U. S. F. & G. Company. It was moved and seconded that we take the additional insurance. Mr. Uhler was authorized to get policies now in effect and lend same to the company agent so that names on the new policies will be identical to those on the old ones.

3.) Mr. Geist said that he could get necessary repair and floor work done at a minimum cost. then a work party will be held and the hall can be redecorated at a small cost.

New Business - 1.) Church attendance is very poor. Young Folks are needed in our church services. Several suggestions, for attracting young people to our church were given. @ having an adult sit with children & young people

in church @ cutting services short so that the entire service will last only one hour.

It was also suggested that we have no sermon on Communion Sunday & that the ritual be followed in full.

2. The roof over the Sunday School Room of the Grace Building needs painting. Mr. Cross will contact Norman Perkins ^{for paint} and see that the work gets done.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh, Sec.

January 6, 1947

The official board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on January 6, 1947. The following members were present - Rev. Brashears, Mrs. Schaffer and the Misses Corrum, Cross, Geist, Turnbaugh, Peregory, & Tondersmith. Also Mrs. Poe, Ray, Geist and two representatives of the W. S. C. S. were there. Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashears, the minutes of the November meeting were read & approved.

Old Business

The Roofing Committee reported that no additional work had been done on the Grace Sunday School room due to the weather. The committee is to continue work.

The Hall repair Committee is continued.

All envelopes, for contributions toward the cost of the new roof, have not been distributed as there haven't been a sufficient number of people to distribute them.

New Business

The boys of Reisterstown, as well as a group of boys from Pikesville under the direction of M. L. Rice wish to use the Grace Building Recreation Hall for basketball & games. Rev. Brashears volunteered to chaperone the boys 2 nights per month. He would like additional chaperones so the boys from ages 10-15 might play once each week. It was moved & seconded that the following committee take charge of the matter. Rev. Brashears, Elmer Peregory, Robert Owing & Walter Turnbaugh.

Elmer Peregory read a treasurer's report showing balance of \$10.41.32. At present \$70.35 is needed to meet the present in-

surance premium. After lengthy discussion, the representatives of the W. S. C. S. volunteered to lend this amount to the church treasury.

Harry Vondersmith reported that Henry Madden had consented to try the job as janitor. He guarantees he will get heat if the furnaces are working properly.

The members of the W. S. C. S. present, asked permission of the Board to use the larger room (J. Dept.) of the childrens' Sunday School room as a kitchen and to equip it fully. After discussion it was moved & seconded that plans be drawn and submitted at the next board meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh, Sec.

February 3, 1947

The Official Bd. of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met ^{at the parish} on the above date with the following members present - St. Vondersmith, Rev. Brashears, Mr. Geist, Geo. Uhler, E. Peregory, N. Funnbaugh and the Mrs. Elizabeth Owings, Geist, Schaeffer & Peregory, Ray.

Following the praying of a prayer by Rev. Brashears, the minutes of the January meeting were read and approved.

Old Business

Rev. Brashears reported that Mr. Elmer Randall is in charge of the boys at the recreation hall. A good group of boys has shown up and it has been necessary to divide them into 2 groups - the 10-14 yr. olds who meet on Wednesday night and the 14-16 yr. olds who meet on Monday nights. Pikesville boys have not been invited as yet as it is necessary to care for our local boys first. The committee is to be continued.

The Roofing Committee & the Vestibule Repairing Committee are also to be continued. The Kitchen Building Committee reported through Mr. Geist that no definite plans have been made since the room in the Grace Bldg. is too large and wall partitions too weak to hang cabinets. The bldg. isn't heated at all times and modern plumbing requires heat. The following committee was appointed to meet with the committee from the W.S.C.S. and to bring in definite recommendations concerning what is wanted and what can be had in the kitchen

Mr. Arthur Geist, chairman

Mr. Corryman

Mr. Bob Owings

Insurance Committee reported that \$55,000 worth of insurance will be had on our church when details are completed possibly by the next meeting of the Bd. The W.S.C.S. decided to

It was moved & seconded that the Bd. give a vote of thanks to the W.S.C.S.

give the 70 to the Official Board, rather than lend it as was done at the January 1947 meeting.

New Business

The West Baltimore District is holding an Evangelistic Home Visitation Campaign in February. Recruits for home visitation are asked for. Workers will meet at the church and then go out to make calls on new prospects. New members to the town, who are Methodists, as well as non-attending members, will be visited. The following will help the pastor with visitation -

H. VonderSmith

E. Peregry

Fred Linker

Telep Berryman

A preparatory class will be held for children who want to join with the church.

Treasurer reported a balance of 65.30.

There being no additional business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh, Sec.

April 7, 1947

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with the following members present - Rev. Brashears, Misses Cross, St. Vondersmith, Shanklin and Turnbaugh and the Misses Schaeffer + Tay. Following the praying of a prayer led by Rev. Brashears the minutes of the February meeting were read + approved.

Old Business -

Insurance - We are now insured for the following amounts:

Insurance

Church	\$25,000
Parsonage	10,000
Garage	500
Grace Bldg.	7,000
(Grace) Contents	250
(Asbury) Contents	2,000
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	\$44,750

The question as to whether the furniture in the parsonage is covered or not, was brought up.

Committee on Evangelism reported that due to inclement weather, no visiting was done.

Preparatory Class is progressing and the following children will be received into our church on Mother's Day -

Joan Mitten	George Oursler
Jane Mitten	Elaine Oursler
Barbara Lybe	Shirley Cook
Margaret Fisher	Shirley Esterday
Corothy Ray	and Lionel Whitcomb

who is not quite 10 years of age, but upon recommendation of the pastor and approval of the board, is to be admitted.

7 members have been received into our church

by letter, since January.

New Business

The Base Boards have fallen off ^{the} Church vestibule. Rev. Brashears volunteered to replace them if authorized by the Board. Such authorization was given.

It was moved & seconded that the following bills be paid

Raymond ^{Downey} (for helping to clean church yard)	\$1.50
J. Madden ("cleaning balcony")	1.00
E. Furbrough ("Communion glasses")	4.00

The following flower committee was appointed - Anna Shanklin

Eleanor Furbrough

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Furbrough, Sec.

May 5, 1947

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Rev. Brashears in the chair. The following members were present: The Misses Peregoy, Curnbaugh, Shapkin, Bob Cwings, Harry Vondersmith + Gingerich. Following a prayer the minutes were read + approved.

Old Business

1. The board thanked Rev. Brashears for fixing the base board in the church vestibule.
2. Insurance - The committee reported that the furniture in the parsonage is not insured. The first payment \$ 370.65 on the insurance is due. The possibility for paying same was discussed. After discussion it was moved + seconded that the ^{amount} necessary to meet this insurance be borrowed from the Cemetery Fund. The Bd. of Trustees is to be asked to lend the Official Bd. the amount + it is to be paid back with interest if not more than 3%. A 6 mo. note is to be given.
3. Insurance - All policies were turned over to Mr. Geo. Uhler.

4. Roofing Committee - Mr. Stevenson submitted the following report.

Paid on note - \$ 500.00

On hand to pay - \$ 205.98

Interest paid - \$ 22.00

2. Sunday's collections not turned over to Mr. Stevenson as yet.

New Business :-

1. Report on Benevolences - Robt. Cwings

\$ 750 - World Service Already Paid

\$ 186.15 - on hand ^{Out}

\$ 128.85 - still owed

Have 6 more Sundays to obtain this balance.

2. Every Member Canvas to be made by mail. Every person is to be reached by letter. Everyone will be asked to secure envelopes from the church.

3. Elmer Peregory is to instruct F. Madden (the janitor) about summer duties.

4. Mr. Zepp has a large furnace & he will put it in.

5. A lower committee is to get money as needed from Elmer Peregory.

6. Two collections will be taken on Mother Day - 1 for Gaithersburg, our own.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,

Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Sec.

June 1947
Note given to amount of \$378 to Trustees of First Methodist Church, to pay insurance.

July 7, 1947

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Rev. Brashears presiding. Members present were the Misses Vondersmith, Turnbaugh, Peregrin, Cross + Mrs. Schaeffer. Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashears, the minutes were read + approved.

- The following business was taken care of
1. The envelopes which have yet not been taken were distributed to members, addressed + sent to be mailed.
 2. Mr. Zepp hasn't put in the furnace as yet. A balance of \$75.33 is still owed Mr. Zepp.
 3. Mr. Elmer Peregrin handed in his resignation as treasurer, but agreed to continue until a new treasurer is found. Harry Vondersmith is to contact Charles Knight + see if he will take Elmer's place.
 4. Records of the Ashbury Church prior to 1921 are needed, but are not obtainable. Any information would be appreciated.
 5. It was moved + seconded that Mr. Brashears take a vacation during the last week of July + the first week of August.
 6. A card of appreciation for flowers sent to the late Mr. Chas. B. Fowell, was read.

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Sec.

September 8, 1947
 The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Rev. Brashears presiding. Members present were Misters Pobletts, Knight, Turnbaugh, Shanklin, B. Owings, Geist, H. Fondermuth and Peregoy. Following the prayer and reading of the July minutes the following old business was taken care of:

1. John Shanklin is to get in touch with Mr. Zapp and try to have the furnace installed immediately.
2. Records ^{of Pastors} prior to 1921 still are missing. Any information concerning same would be greatly appreciated.
3. The roof on the Grace Sunday School must be repaired before cold weather. John Shanklin is to inspect the roof, plan for necessary repairs and to supervise the work. The men of the Official Board are to assist John.

New Business

1. Insurance - \$350 is still owed on same. Mrs. John Shanklin donated her commission of \$20 on the insurance premium still owed. A vote of thanks was given.
2. Taxes - the secretary is to write the tax commissioner and ~~secure~~ ^{request} an exemption number for our church to use when purchasing goods to be used in the church.
3. A letter of thanks is to be written to each of the following ^{thanking them} for their services: Elmer Peregoy who served 14 yr. as treasurer and Nelson Owings who served

one year.

4. It was moved and seconded that the flower committee send Rev. Brashear's son flowers.

5. After discussion, the conference apportionments for 1947-48, were accepted but it was also moved and seconded that the following committee meet with New Park and try to get them to increase their support to church finance. The committee is composed of John Shanklin, Charles Knight, Elmer P. Gregory & Mr. Welsch.

6. Treasurer reported a balance of \$265.74 ~~on~~ on Sept 1, 1947.

7. A vote of thanks was extended Tink & Charles for their acceptance of the jobs of financial secretary & Treasurer.

8. Bob, Dudley, Tink and Charles will meet on Thursday, September 11, to get treasurer's books up to date.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,
Eleanor B. Turnbull
Sec.

November 6, 1947

The regular meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date. Rev. Brashears presided. The following members were present - Mr. Cross, Bob, Gwings, Walter Turnbaugh and Mrs. Schaeffer. Following the prayer led by Rev. Brashears, the minutes were read.

Old Business

1. Rev. Brashears reported that the church's tax exemption number is 1265.
2. The Roofing Committee is to be held over. Nothing has been done on the Grace Building roof.
3. Mr. Zepp will install the furnace as soon as possible.
4. Insurance money is being taken care of.
5. Rev. Brashears thanked the board for flowers sent his son.

New Business

1. The Boy Scouts of Reisterstown must leave present meeting place due to lack of space. The American Legion, whose job it is to secure a meeting place for them, asked that the Grace Building be made available to them. It was decided that a 6 mo. trial use of the building be granted.
- ✓ 2. The Youth Fellowship was disbanded for the summer. There needs to be a reorganization & several attempts have been made, but all have failed. A movie machine, available for use by the youth for Sunday Night services, may be a

way of meeting this need. After discussion of this matter, the following committee was named to investigate and survey possibilities of securing a movie machine.

Rev. Brashers

Harry TonderSmith

Mr. Cross

Mrs. Ray

3. Tink asked that all the boys who helped him so efficiently to get the financial books up to date, be thanked.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Sec.

December 3, 1947

The regular meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date. Rev. Brashears presided. The following members were present - Chas. Knight, Norman Meekins, Mr. Cross, D. Geist, Elmer Peregrin, H. Vonderweith and the Misses H. Berryman, H. Traye & E. Shaffer. Following the prayer led by Rev. Brashears, the minutes were read.

✓ The committee on the movie machine reported progress. The price of the machine is \$579. ^{\$125} is now in hand. Mr. Folkmer is willing to bring the machine out for a show on a Sunday night without any advertising and then bring it on a week night and answer any questions. The committee is to be continued.

* A letter was read from Doris Hammond, on behalf of the Young People of the church, requesting that dancing be allowed in the Recreation Hall at our Church socials. After a discussion it was decided to hold the letter in abeyance and a general meeting be held for the reason of discussing the matter & securing a vote from the entire church.

A motion was made & seconded that a substitute be secured to fill the pulpit until Mrs. Brashears is recovered.

A motion was made and seconded that a plate be purchased for the board in the hall thinking the J. O. Y. for choir & balcony curtain.

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur Geist
Sect. Protem.

(Copied by E. B. Furbrough)

To the Official Board:

The young people of our church have asked that I, as one of their Sunday School teachers, request of you permission for them to dance in our recreation hall. We understand that it is not against the principles of our Church that chaperoned dances be allowed, and also that other Methodist Churches have dances for their young people.

It is not our request that public dances be held and a fee charged, but rather that dancing be included in our parties and socials.

As in all other activities sponsored by our Church for young people we propose that two or more older people be present at any socials that would include dancing.

We believe that there are very few members who would object to permitting our young people to dance in the hall. Our school and other organizations hold dances, which our young people attend with their parents approval.

We are allowed to dance square dances in the hall, and our young people cannot understand why these are permitted and popular dances banned. It may stimulate interest in youth organizations within our church if they are permitted to have forms of recreation they favor. If our young people cannot dance in an approved place, there are many undesirable places at which they may dance.

You may feel that allowing dancing in our hall would cause some criticism. However, we point to All Saints Church, which has for some time sponsored a Youth Canteen featuring dances. We believe that this organization has the approval of the majority of people of our town, and a great number of our young people attend it.

We ask that you reconsider the question and advise us of your decision.

Sincerely,

Doris R. Hammond

January 5, 1948

The regular meeting of the Ellettsville Methodist Church's Official Board met on the above date. Rev. Brashear presided. The following members were present - the Messrs. Pabletto, Shanklin, Cross, Curnbaugh, Vondersmith, Meekins, Knight & Mrs. Sheffer. Following the prayer led by Rev. Brashear, the minutes of the Dec. meeting were read.

Old Business

1. Moved & seconded that a congregational meeting be held on Wednesday Jan. 21, 1948 at 8 P.M. for the purpose of bringing before the church congregation the possibility of allowing dancing in the recreational hall and the ^{possible} addition of Sunday School rooms to the present church structure.

(S.S. Addition)

2. A Findings Committee was appointed to organize facts concerning need for additional Sunday school space and to present such findings at the congregational meeting. Members are

John Shanklin, chairman
Norman Meekins
Harry Vondersmith
Arthur Geist
Morris Baker

Mr. Shanklin presented a tentative plan for an addition to the present Sabury Bldg.

3. The following committee for presenting facts about the request for dancing to the congregation was appointed.

Chas. O. Knight
Marie Knoblock
Helen Berryman
Marguerite Frank

Garland Pabletto

- ✓ 4. The committee on the Movie Machine reported that an evening for showing same will be arranged. At present \$200 is in hand for the machine.

New Business

1. Mrs. Wroe has been asked by the Episcopal Church to take the position open there as organist. She is not desirous of it. It is felt that Mrs. Wroe's salary should be raised to \$5 per week. After discussion it was moved and seconded & passed that Mrs. Wroe's salary be \$5 per week for her services.

2. Rev. Brashears urged that as many as possible attend the Missionary & Church Extension Society meeting on Wed. Jan. 14th at Westminster that everyone support this worthy cause.

3. Chas Knight asked Rev. Brashears to explain to the congregation, the correct use of the envelopes.

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
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HARRY F. OGDEN,
PRESIDENT

R. HOWARD BLAND,
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD



Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Corporation

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CHARLES A. HANCOCK
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

December 9, 1947

Reisterstown Methodist Church
246 Main Street
Reisterstown, Maryland

Gentlemen:

Through the Ray Reid Agency at Essex, Maryland, we have issued policies 1168, 1169, 1170, 1171 and 1172. These policies replace policies 1120, 1121, 1122, 1123 and 1124.

We have been advised by Mr. Reid that you returned for flat cancellation policies 1120 to 1124 inclusive, but the policies have been lost in transit.

In order that there may be no misunderstanding as to the amount of insurance in force, please have copy of this letter signed by the Secretary of your official board and returned to us in the enclosed envelope.

Thanking you, we are,

Yours very truly,

C. A. Hancock

CAH:DF

Signed _____

Secretary - Official Board
Reisterstown Methodist Church

Special Congregational Meeting - January 21/48

Following a prayer, led by Rev. Brashears, the congregation present elected Rev. Brashears as presiding officer. The need of the congregational meeting, as recorded in the minutes of the Board meeting of January 5, 1948, were read by the secretary.

John Shanklin, chairman of the Findings Committee, read a report stating tentative plans for additional Sunday School space to be added to the present Asbury structure, and asking permission of the congregation to allow a committee to go ahead, have plans drawn up and proceed with getting bids for the construction of such an addition. It was moved and seconded & passed that the present findings committee be continued and that they go ahead with their plans for such a building.

* Charles Knight, chairman of the Committee for preventing facts concerning dancing in our recreational hall, read the letter from Doris Hammond, written in behalf of the Young People of the church, asking that with the chaperone of 2 or more older people, the youth be allowed to dance socially in our church recreational room. This is not to be open to the public, but is for the ^{church} youth who wish to include dancing as a part of their party activities.

* The chairman explained that since 1939 when the churches united to form the present Methodist Church, & the church discipline was changed, no word is given concerning dancing. So, while the church looks suspiciously toward dancing, there is

nothing ^{said} against dancing in the discipline.

After lengthy discussion, both for and against dancing within our church activities, it was moved and seconded that the congregation give the Young People permission to dance at Church socials and parties. A committee of 4 appointed by the congregation, & to consist of 2 representatives from the Young People and 2 from the Official Board, is to be appointed to draft a set of regulations to govern such dancing.

A secret vote, by ballot, on the above question was held with the result that the motion passed by a vote of 23 for and 13 against.

It was moved and seconded that the congregation recommend to the committee appointed whether the building to be used for dancing is to be the Church Bldg; the Community Hall or both.

A secret vote, by ballot, on this question was held with the following results

Church Building	7
Community Hall	19
Both Bldgs.	10

The following committee was appointed to draft regulations for dancing.

Bill Lee
Patsy Gardener
Harry Vonderwilt
Eleanor Turnbaugh

It was moved & seconded that the meeting adjourn.
Respectfully, Eleanor B. Turnbaugh, Sec.

February 2, 1948

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date at the Parsonage. The following members were present. Rev. Brashears Mrs. A. Shaeffer and the Ministers Corrum, H. Vondersmith, John Shanklin, Turnbaugh, R. Ginnip and C. Knight. Following the praying of a prayer led by Rev. Brashears, the minutes of the previous meeting were read & approved.

Old Business

1.) Building Committee reported that the ladies had expressed a desire to meet with the official Board Building Committee to discuss possibility of having a kitchen also when the Sunday School rooms are added. John S. is to contact the ladies and arrange for such a meeting. The Building Committee is to be continued.

✓ 2.) Committee on Movie Machine. The movie, as scheduled, was shown. Only 20 people attended. It was a good picture. At present ^{the sum of} \$225 is on hand & the Sunday School is giving a supper to help finance it. The Committee is to be continued.

New Business

1.) The Cemetery fund is in the Reisterstown Savings Bank. It was suggested that the money be put in a building and loan of Glyndon where rate of interest would be higher. Official Board to recommend such procedure to the Trustees.

2.) Report from the Official Board Committee on dancing in Recreation Hall ^{was} read. No changes were made.

- Suggested copies be posted in Recreation Hall.
3. The Victory Meeting will be held on Friday Night, February 6, 1948. Dr. Stiger is a wonderful speaker.
 4. A Junior Choir has been started by Janne Berryman. The Jr. Choir leader will be under direction of the Senior Choir Leader and work subject to her. It was moved + passed that we make money available for the Jr. Choir.
 5. Hymnals are needed badly. Moved and Seconded, enough books be ordered on consignment to meet present needs - that is to replace all green books. Eleanor Turnbaugh to collect money.
 6. Treasurer reported a Balance of \$479.40 ~~plus~~ \$225 ^{which is} Movie fund. Total
 7. Boy Scouts were given permission Nov. 6 to use Grace Bldg. Mr. Newitt is to inspect the building. Boys want room for cupboards + materials. The matter was left open.

There being no additional business,
the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Eleanor D. Turnbaugh
Sec.

April 5, 1948

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with the following members present - Rev. Brashears, Shanklin, Cross, Corroum, B. Owinig, Turnbaugh, Elmer Perego, H. Vondersmith & Gingrich & Mrs. Olive Shaffer.

Mr. Corroum acted as chairman. Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashears and the reading of the minutes, the following old business was handled.

Building Committee - Haven't gone any further

✓ Movie Committee - Sunday School
Supper money \$138 added to the
\$225 all ready in hand for the
movie.

Recreation Hall & Dancing Rules not posted, but should be.

Hymnal Committee - Collected \$73.50

Bought 57 hymnals
Sold & Paid for 49
Sold - Not paid for 5
Not sold 3

Boy Scouts - do not want our building
Moved to All Saints Church.

Floor in Hall Committee - to be repaired by L. Woodward @ 36¢ a sq. ft. Material to be red asphalt with black border. Hall now in need of paint.

Roof - Sunday School roof still leaks. Moved & seconded that John Shanklin do necessary repairing on roof & send bill for same.

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To be filed -

REISTERSTOWN METHODIST CHURCH
Estimate of Budget June 1947 to June 1948

CURRENT EXPENSE

Pastor- - - - -	\$2125.00
District Superintendent - - - - -	114.00
Bishops - - - - -	37.00
Conference Claimants- - - - -	249.00
Janitor Service - - - - -	576.00
Heat - - - - -	225.00
Gas and Electric- - - - -	125.00
Insurance - - - - -	87.00
Upkeep and Repair - - - - -	300.00
Musio and Organ - - - - -	100.00
Organist - - - - -	156.00
Printing, Postage, Bulletin - - -	150.00
Miscellaneous- - - - -	300.00
Water Tax - - - - -	40.00
Total - - - - -	<u>\$4584.00</u>

BENEVOLENCES

World Service and Annual Conference	\$ 894.00
Missionary and Church Extension -	42.00
General Administration Fund- - -	20.00
Jurisdictional Conference- - - -	10.00
Total- - - - -	<u>\$ 966.00</u>
	<u>\$4584.00</u>
	<u>966.00</u>
Grand Total+ - - -	<u>\$5550.00</u>

New Business

Mr. Harry De Moss, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees and Mr. Wm H. Berryman, Custodian of the Cemetery) have resigned. It was moved & seconded that the secretary express in writing our regrets and our deep appreciation of their long terms of faithful service.

Mr. Whippo has taken over as Custodian of the Cemetery & John Shanklin, Treasurer of Trustees.

Quarterly Conference will meet on April 15, 1948. All reports are to be in before that date.

Treasurer of Benevolence reported a balance in Benevolence of \$160.99. About \$195 is needed yet, but will be taken care of.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully
Eleanor D. Tuenbaugh
Secretary

Meeting of the Reisterstown Methodist
Church Board of Trustees Wednesday
May 12th 1948 at 8:00 P.M.

Present William T. Corroum, Wm. D. Berryman,
Harry Vandersmith, Wallace M. Brashears
also Cemetery Caretaker George Whippo.

These regulations and prices were
adopted

There will be no more plain graves
permitted.

The prices for ^{opening} graves shall be
Brick and slate \$50.00
Vault \$40.00

Two grave lots \$45.00

The person who digs the graves
shall receive Brick & slate \$18.00
Vault \$16.00

The purchase of a power mower
was approved.

Signed
Wallace M. Brashears
Chm.

May 3/48

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with the following members present - Rev. Grashers, Wm. T. Coroum, John Shanklin, E. Percy & H. Vondersmith.

The Finance Committee recommended that the pastor's salary for 1948-49 be raised to \$2800. This recommendation was voted on and passed.

The Building Committee ^{is to be} continued with the following additions: Mr. Coroum, Robert Owings, Roy Gardner, Donald Christill.

✓ Movie Committee to be continued.

The following report on the hymnal purchase was read.

Sold & paid for	53	-	\$79.50.
Sold & not paid	2		
Not sold	2		

John Shanklin reported on the roof on the Grace Building. He also reported that the Hall floor in the Asbury building has been laid.

It was moved & seconded that the switch box in the Asbury Hall be fixed or renewed. Mr. Tuschmidt to do the work.

Any church furniture that is moved is to be put back by the persons who moved it before Sunday services.

Since there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,

H. J. Vondersmith Sec. Protm
(Copied by Eleanor B. Turnbaugh)

September 15, 1948

The Official Bd. of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date. Rev. Brashears was in the chair & the following members present - E. Peregry, W. Turnbull, R. Yungling, J. Shanklin, C. Knight, G. Whippo, P. Welsch, L. Cross, P. Fisher, H. Vondermuth, L. Poblitta, J. Kengerich, E. Channey.

Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashears the following old business was taken care of:

1. Church Roof in Grace Bldg. has been fixed in all places where repair seemed necessary but it is still leaking.
2. Church envelopes are all distributed except a few whose out-of-town addresses have not yet been secured. It was suggested that envelopes be purchased in January thereby saving money. No further action was taken.
3. The Building Committee reported that no further action has been taken since no agreement can be reached. A member of the W.S.C.S. is to be appointed to serve on the Building Committee.
- ✓ 4. Movie Committee - Have \$360 toward the projector. Committee is to continue. The committee was authorized to purchase a machine not costing more than \$400.
5. Flooring Committee is to be thanked for the excellent job done in securing linoleum for the hallway and for the expediency in getting the work done.

New Business

1. A letter of resignation from Robert Gwings was read and accepted. Moved &

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Sept 15, 1948

The Official Board
of Rutherford Methodist Church:

I hereby resign from the
office of Benevolence Treasurer
as of May 31, 1948.

Cordially,
Robert H. A wings

To be recorded
kept.

On Monday evening, Jan. 5th at the Official Board meeting of the Church, a committee was appointed to present to the congregation, a plan for a new Sunday School Bldg. The committee composed of John Shanklin, Chairman, Arthur Geist, Norman Meekins, Harry Vondersmith, and Morris Baker, present the following report:

They suggest a building 70x45, basement type, 3' in the ground and 9' above the surface. This type will enable us to erect another story at some future date. This building will start at the rear^wall of the present building and extend 70' toward the cemetery and will accomodate three class rooms for the children who now are in the Grace Bldg. two lavatories ~~and~~ a boiler room. ^{+ a small assembly room} The boiler room is being planned to accomodate a unit large enough to take care of all present and any future buildings.

The committee suggest a cinder block and brick masonry construction for outside walls, cinder block partitions. The inside face of all walls to be painted. A roof deck of the type to be used as a floor upon the erection of a second story.

The entire plan is being made so that when the church is prepared to do so, we may tear down the present Church building and erect a new Church on the present site without interference to any of the construction now being planned.

The committee suggests that the congregation allow them to have plans drawn and get bids on this construction.

The opinion of the committee is that it will require \$30,000 to erect this building, however, this is only an approximate figure, having no definite plans with which to work.

seconded that a letter of thanks be sent Robert. His treasurers book, was turned over to Harry Vonderomith to be audited. Walter Turnbaugh was elected Generall Treasurer.

2. Harry Vonderomith asked that the W.S.C.S. books be sent in to audit. Rev. Brashers said he would see that this is done.
3. The treasurer reported that we are falling short of our money needs at present. Expenses are going up, but contributions are not. The following comparison of money needs was made

	1947-48	1948-49
Dist. Superintendent	\$ 135	* 154
Bishops Fund	43	42
Conference Claims	319	392
General Administration	20	20
World Service	1055	1305
Church Extension	42	42
Stabilization Fund	84	84
To be paid by pastor	64	

Approximate Increase \$ 4.25

4. We are without a janitor. Mr. Brashers will contact Mr. Merkel to see if he will take the job. A grave digger is also needed.

5. The Youth Fellowship Institute will be held at our Grace Bldg., beginning the second week in October. Lights in that bldg. are in need of repair. John S. volunteered to put bulbs in the lights. Children are not to play until after Youth Fellowship Institute has been held.

6. It was moved & seconded that the practice of buying flowers for the

(Flowers)

sick and dead be discontinued, but flowers from the altar are to be disposed of as the committee sees fit. It was also moved & seconded that the flower committee get their money on Communion Sunday from the plate, bank it & spend it out of their own fund. This is subject to accounting with Financial Secretary. (G. Poblitta)

7. H. Vondersmeth would like to purchase one old radiator now in the shed behind the church. It was moved & seconded that he be allowed to inspect them & if he wishes to buy one, set a price.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Durnbaugh
Secretary

Regulations for Dancing

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4. All regulations written herein are subject to the review, approval and change of the official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church.

1. All who attend sociale (which include dancing) must be guests of members or constituents of our church & while there, are under jurisdiction of the chaperone.

2. All sociale (+ dances must be over and the building closed by 12 Midnight.

3. No dances are to be held for profit.

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4. There is to be no drinking of alcoholic beverages ~~and no smoking.~~

5. There is to be no smoking (by order of the fire underwriters)

6. Dancing must be kept clean by the young people.

7. All dates for such socials must be cleared with the pastor.

8. Every dance must be chaperoned by ² responsible adults. Below is a list of available chaperones (if notified in time)

Mrs. C. O. Knight
 Harry Vanderamuth
 Rev. W. Preshears
 Eleanor B. Furnbaugh

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John T. Shanklin
 Anna U. Shanklin

9. Dances are to be sponsored by
 organizations of the Reint. Meth.
 Church and ~~are~~ ^{the building} not to be used
 by the general public.

10. All dancing is to be done in the
 recreation hall. The hall is to be
 cleaned ^{up} after each affair.

October 4, 1948

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with the following members present -
 Mr. Knight, Whippo, Brashears, Vondermuth, Cross, Chaney, Shanklin, Turnbaugh, and Mrs. Whaffer. Mr. Corroum was in the choir. Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashears, the minutes of the Sept. meeting were read & approved.

The following Old Business was taken care of

1. Building Committee reported that lights in the Grace Bldg. have been repaired. As yet the Committee on the new Bldg. hasn't met. The W. S. C. S. will appoint a member as of Thursday next.

✓ 2. The Movie Committee have investigated several machines. At present it is felt that the Bell Home is too expensive. The De Vry is #345 and will be looked at by the committee who will report at the next meeting.

New Business

1. Treasurer's Report showed a balance of \$61.83 as of Sept. 30/48. This does not include \$360.62 which is for the movie projector. Mr. Knight also reported that at present our expenses are exceeding our receipts. After discussion it was moved & seconded that the Finance Committee get together a letter to be read before the congregation,

making a drive for a raise in contributions in the envelopes and also making clear differences between benevolences and current expenses, sides of our envelopes. Also a report, of last year's expenses & this year's probable expenses, is to be read before the congregation.

2. After lengthy discussion it was moved & seconded that Mrs. Shaeffer place a want ad in the Community News as an aid in securing a much-needed janitor. Rev. Brashers is to hire if he finds an acceptable man through this ad or otherwise. The salary \$25 per month is to remain as is.

3. A motion was made that John Shanklin contact the athletic club and explain that they may meet in the Asbury building if they so desire and ask if they will pay \$5 per night to meet the expense of providing fire in the building.

Charles Knight volunteered to care for the furnaces one week and Rev. Brashers volunteered to care for them a week, since we have no janitor.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
 Eleanor D. Turnbaugh
 Sec.

November 24, 1948

On the above date the officials of both the Deer Park Church & the Reisterstown Church met for the purpose of discussing proposed increases in our budget and ways of dealing with them. Members present were the Ministers Les T. Vaughn, John N. Tinkler, Garland Poblito, John Gingrich, Mrs. T. Courroum, Chas. O. Knight, Harry Vondremith, Robert H. Cwings, George Uhler, George Whippo, Walter Turnbaugh, & Reverend Wallace Brashear and the Misses Anne Wolkhill, B. Hall, Olin Shaeffer, Charles Green, A. F. Murray, Jetta Tillman, Les Vaughn, George Vaughn, Elizabeth Bowers, Helen Bergman, Peggy Fisher and Eleanor Turnbaugh.

After a prayer, led by Rev. Brashear, the following chart of explanation concerning last year's budget and the 1948-49 budget was explained by Rev. Brashear.

	Total		Reisterstown		Deer Park	
	'47-'48	'48-'49	'47-'48	'48-'49	'47-'48	'48-'49
Pastor	2450	2800	2125	2400	325	400
Jist. Super.	135	154	114	*128	21	*26
Bishops	43	42	37*	*37	6	*5
Conf. Claims.	319	392	249	*306	70	*86
World Service	1055	1305	894	*1105	161	*200
Miss. & Ch. Ext.	42	42	42	35		*7
General Admin.	20	44	44	*37		*7
Conference Claim.		*84		*74		*10
Endowment	→					
Total	4064	4863	3505	4122	583	761
			Less Last Yrs.	3505		583
			Increase	617		178
			Less Pastor's Salary	325		75
				292		103

* New figures for '48-'49

Questions were asked by board members. Rev. Brashear explained that our churches have given generously and he is in sympathy with the efforts put forth. He asked that we take at least a part of the increase, and reach it if we could. We must pay the Pastor, Dist. Superintendent, Bishop & Conference Claims, but the rest is up to our generosity.

After discussion, it was moved and seconded we accept apportionments as they were in 1947-48. Vote was unanimous.

It was moved and seconded that this meeting be a quarterly conference.

Since there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

December 13, 1948

The regular meeting of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church was held on the above date with the following members present: Messrs. Garland Poblet, Elmer Peregrin, George Whippo, John Shanklin, Harry Wundersmith, Roger Yungling, Charles Knight, Mrs. Olive Shaffer, Anna Shanklin, Miss Peggy Fisher and Rev. Brashears.

Rev. Brashears opened the meeting with a prayer. The minutes of the previous board meeting and the Joint Meeting of Deer Park and Reisterstown Church of Nov. 24 were read and approved.

John Shanklin reported that the Reisterstown Athletic Club will continue to meet at the church until they find another place or decide to stay at our church regularly and pay \$5.00 per night.

There is to be a meeting of the Finance Committee as soon after Christmas as possible to discuss ways and means to raise more funds for the church current expense treasury.

The Movie Committee has purchased a Bell & Howe Machine costing \$95.00 complete. The Board sanctioned the expenditure of \$400 for a movie machine. The Committee will be responsible for the amount over \$400 and will endeavor to raise all the money. In case they do not the church will be responsible for \$40. There is a balance of \$115 on the machine.

The Movie Committee is to set up a regulation of some sort as to who will be able to use the equipment and the operation of same.

The Pastor has been asked for the use of the Grace Bldg. for basketball practice. It is not advisable to allow the usage unless the lights are covered. John Shanklin is to ask the Trivianis Club if they will cover same so that the Bldg. may be used without damage.

to player or property.

Moved & seconded that we clean out the sheds and the objects we don't need we will give to the Good Will or some other organization that can use them.

The Bldg. Committee (Robert Swings, Don Corroumn, Mr. Cross) is to get an estimate on draining two front downspouts with tile to rear of church to get rid of the water lying in front of the Church & they are to report at the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report Balance ^{on hand} \$12.10.
 Movies ~~But~~ Money owed \$622.14

Benevolence Treasurer's Report -

Balance June 1, 1948 - \$18.91

Receipts to Nov. 21, 1948 - 662.16

Balance \$681.07

Paid out 610.00

Balance - Dec. 6 \$71.07

Needed to complete year's payments \$570.00

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
 John Franklin
 Secretary Protem

(Copied by E. Furbough)

January 3, 1949

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Mr. Corraun presiding. Members present were Ministers Yinding, Vondrasmith, Knight Meekins, Perego, Whippo, Brachens, Turnbrough and Mrs. Shaffer ^(Truher).

After a prayer led by Rev. Brachens, the minutes of the December meeting were read and approved as read.

Old Business

1. Doors in the Grace Bldg. have been left open. It is necessary to make sure the building is locked. It was reported that children are using skeleton keys to open locks. If this continues, the law will be called and steps taken to stop it. The committee named to ~~fix~~ ^{check} the lights in the Grace Bldg. with protectors is to be continued. Mr. Truckins volunteered to put something over the lights if the Kiwanis do not help do it.

2. Building Committee is to be continued and a report made at the next meeting.

3. Movie Committee reported that \$60 more has been added to the fund to pay for the machine. This leaves a balance of \$55. Some people do not feel that the movie machine is advantageous nor pictures necessary in the church. The officials can help overcome this of its use "feeling" by "talking up" the merits and trying to emphasize its value in modern education.

New Business

1. A meeting, in connection with Church Extension and Membership, will be held in Westminster, Jan. 15 at 5 P.M. The officials are urged to attend.
 2. Subscriptions to the Christian Advocate are wanted.
 3. Advance program of Methodist Church is starting soon. Material on same will be available soon.
 4. It was moved and seconded an estimate be gotten from Ed. Shaeffer on repairing switch box and on running a line to the chandelier. The chandelier should be reassembled, ^{wired} and put in place. Mr. Corroym volunteered to contact John Shanklin about same.
 5. Mr. Knight felt that the furnace should be paid for, but since the furnace isn't satisfactory and Mr. Zepp is to install a proper furnace, but hasn't done so, it is not necessary to pay for same as yet.
- There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
 Eleanor G. Turnbaugh
 Sec.

February 7, 1949

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Mr. Corroum presiding. Other members present were the Misses Vonderknecht, Cross, Peregrin, Whippo, Turbaugh & Peggy Fisher.

Old Business

1. Bids are being gotten from several plasterers for the repair work to be done in the Ashbury Sunday School Room. However, Mr. Corroum, Chairman of the committee is not in a position to go on, or order the work done, as there are no funds available in any special account and the treasurer is not present to give an account of the current funds.

2. Mr. Corroum & John Shanklin are going to try & get the chandelier fixed if possible.

3. 6 people from the Reisterstown Church & 7 from Deer Park were in attendance at the Church Extension Meeting in Westminster. Dr. Spickard spoke on "Some Missions in Balto. & Vicinity" & a movie of same was shown.

New Business

1. Carpet in the church needs repairing badly. Secretary is to contact the president of the W.C.S. & ask her to get someone to get an estimate on the cost of a runner to be put across the back of the church & down the 2 aisles.

2. Lights in Grace Bldg. have not been fixed. Secretary is to contact John Shanklin about same.

There being no additional

business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh Sec.

March 7, 1949

The regular meeting of the Official Board of the Leisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with the following members present. Rev. Brashears, Mrs. Schaffer, ~~Shanklin~~ Mildred Shanklin, TonderSmith, Chaney & Turnbaugh.

Rev. Brashears presided. After a prayer the minutes of the February meeting were read and approved.

The following Old Business was brought before the Board.

1. The chandelier is not yet fixed. No bid has been gotten for repairs to the switch box. Since this work has previously been authorized, it will be unnecessary to get bids. Oliver Shaffer is to call Mr. Crass and get him to contact Ed. Shaffer and have work done.

2. Basket covers for lights in the Recreation hall are ready to be installed, but can't be put up because the rafters and baskets aren't located together. It will be necessary to bore holes in the ceiling for the bolts. The board gave Mr. Shanklin permission to install the light covers in the proper manner.

3. Plastering has been done.

4. A report on the price of carpeting was given. It was too expensive. Committee to be continued. No CS representative to contact Butler Bros. for an estimate.

New Business

1. The Ladies on Mildred Poe's circle have

bought a second-hand steam table for \$16.
Mrs. Poe's circle will pay \$7.50. The Official Bd.
will pay the balance.

2. The Men's Supper will be April 30th.
John Shanklin was appointed Chairman of Affairs
with Mr. Curran, Tonderomith, Grackles,
C. Paney, Yinging + Turnbaugh as assistants.
The committee will meet to make arrangements
on Monday Mar. 14 at Turnbaugh's home. Rev. B.
will advertise same in bulletin.

3. Mr. Shanklin suggested that 2 suppers be
held each year - one in the fall + one in the
spring. The fall supper to be oyster + to be
put on by the ladies with the men as helpers.
The spring supper to be a beef supper, served by
the men with the ladies as helpers. The
secretary is to contact Mrs. Stenerson, president
of the W.S.C.S.

4. It was moved + 2nd the Bd. authorize
expenditure of \$3.60 for books for (children's)
class. ^(preparatory)

There being no further business, the meeting
adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Sec.

April 4, 1949

The Officials of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with the following members present: Rev. B. Masters Shanklin, Corrumm, Whippo, Chapney, Turnbaugh, Vondermuth, Gingrich, Cross, Melkins, Knight & Yeagling & Mrs. Sterenson, Berryman & Peregry.

Mr. Corrumm presided. Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashears, the minutes of the March meeting were read and a correction made - namely the words "children's class" were to be changed to "preparatory class".

Old Business

1. Chandilier not yet fixed. Ed. Shaeffer will wire same if it is brought to church. Rev. Brashears volunteered to secure the chandilier from Mr. Ray. Ed. Shaeffer hasn't fixed switch box as yet. He will run wire to chandilier & install a reel so it can be lowered & raised.
2. Basket covers are not yet up.
3. Carpet Committee - Butler Bros. will not give retail estimates.

New Business

1. The Grace Bldg. is in bad condition. There is no heat due to water in the cellar. It was suggested that the bldg. be sold. After lengthy discussion a committee composed of Harry Vondermuth, Rev. Brashears, Mrs. Sterenson or a W. S. C. S. representative, Mrs. Peregry and Mr. Cross (Chairman) was appointed and given authority to contact Dr. Spicnall to see if the sale of the Grace Bldg. is permissible & to see what restric-

time of sale there may be.

2. Rev. Brashears will take the broken window from the Grace Bldg., to the Lumber Co. & have it repaired.
3. Men's Supper - Everything is going along nicely.
4. A bill ^{for pumping the Grace cellar} from L. Perkins for the sum of \$20 was presented & ordered paid.
5. Mr. Knight will get a man to pump the cellar out when needed.
6. The secretary is to contact Mr. Corrigan and Bob. Quigg to have them take care of the drain tile which was ordered fixed in December 1948.
7. Treasure reported a balance of \$258.12.

Report - on Dr. Spicual said -
There is no objection to sale of Grace Bldg. to parties to whom we contemplated selling it.

May 2, 1949

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with the following members present - Rev. Brashears, the Ministers Cross, Corrum, Turnbaugh, Shanklin, Berryman, Gingrich, Knight, Meekins, Chesney, R. Gwings & Vondermuth & Mrs. Peregoy, Stevenson, Berryman, & Gwings.

Following the reading of the minutes of the April meeting, Rev. Brashears led in prayer.

Old Business

1. Rev. Brashears took the window, from the Grace Bldg. to the lumber company, had it repaired & replaced same.
2. The chandeliers in at Ed. Shaeffer's & will be repaired soon.
3. A pump to pump water out of the Grace Bldg. cellar has been bought from Mr. Dusemihl, who gave us a discount on it. A bill for \$41.50 was ordered paid. The men are asked to get together & help install it.
4. At present there are no buyers for the Grace Bldg. It was moved and seconded that the present committee be continued and that they contact someone to plan some way of selling the building at an asking price of \$15,000. Restrictions on sale are to be listed.
5. New Building - Morris Baker has been contacted & will find old plans drawn up some time ago to see if they are still as usable as they were at the time they were drawn. It was moved & seconded that the people who gave money for the new church be contacted & asked if they are willing to have money used to build on to &

repair present building. Such a letter is to be signed by the chairman & secretary of the board and on each letter there is to be a place for the donor's signature. The secretary will contact Mr. Welch for such a list.

6. John Shanklin resigned as chairman of the Bldg. Committee. His resignation was accepted with thanks for service already rendered. It was moved & seconded he be appointed a member of the committee.

7. Norman Meekins was appointed chairman of the committee with Bob Owings as vice-chairman.

Committee members are

Mrs. M. Peregrin

Mrs. Hemmons

Mrs. A. Owings

Mrs. M. Fox

Mr. Corrigan

" Roy Gardner

" Don Christoff (didn't accept)

" A. Geist

" J. Shanklin

" H. VonderSmith

" M. Baker

8. Organ Pipe is not yet fixed.

9. The ladies of the Church will be glad to help the men with their supper in the spring. Any Saturday except the 2nd Saturday in November will suit the ladies to help the men with a fall supper.

Since there was no new business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Sec.

June 6, 1949

The Official Bd. of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Mr. Corroon in the chair. Rev. Brashear led in prayer. Members present - Rev. Brashear, the misters Corroon, L. Cross, R. Gwings, H. Tondersmith, N. Meekins, E. Chaney, J. Shanklin & Mrs. Berryman, Stevenson, He & Fegroy. The following committees reported. Committee on Church Bldg. Nothing done on the drains.

Committee on Sale of Grace Bldg. John Shanklin reported showing the Bldg. to Mrs. B. Gwings & a group from the Christian Science Church by a group from our church.

Committee on Supply - reported that supper profits amounted to \$196.07 which has been turned over to the Treasurer.

New Business

A bill for \$115.38 was presented by the Board of Trustees. This money represents balance due and interest on the loan of \$370. Ordered paid

Two additional members were appointed on the Bldg. Committee - Marie Knobloch and Naomi Kay.

A committee composed of John Shanklin, Eleanor & Walter Surnbaugh & Rev. Brashear was appointed to contact Mr. P. Welch to see if he will continue ^{acting} as ^{acting} treasurer of the Bldg. fund. It is to be explained that we wish to become active in this project & if Mr. Welch isn't able to act as treasurer the Committee is to nominate a person to fill this job and present same at the next meeting.

After long discussion about the

Mr. G. asked to draw plans as long
 as we couldn't agree on plans formerly
 drawn by Mr. Baker and needs it was suggested that M.
 Baker be dropped as the architect and
 Harry Owens be asked to draw plans for the
 new bldg after the committee meets to settle
 details on same. It was suggested the bldg.
 contain lavatories, boiler room, stage, 3
 Sunday School rooms & a kitchen.

Members present stated their willingness
 to have the money they donated to the bldg
 fund used in any way the church sees fit
 to use it on improvements. The Chairman
 & the secretary are to contact the rest of the
 donors.

Meeting adjourned -
 Respectfully
 John T. Shapkin
 Acting Secretary

Copied by Eleanor B. Turnbaugh -

16 June 1949,

Dear Mr. Brashers-

Mrs. Brashers informed me that the old church on the east side of Reisterstown road is for sale. I am quite anxious to do some work among Presbyterians in Reisterstown. I wonder if the Stewards of your church would consider my using the church this summer to see if anything can be done. If we can do something I'm sure we would like to purchase the church and continue its service in the Gospel to the honor of Christ.

Would it be asking too much to ask you to present to your official Board any one of these propositions?

Use of main hall for evening services
 Use of " " " 2 wks Bible School
 " " " " 1 wk Evangelistic services.

I'm sure we could arrive at better understanding if I were to see you. If you'd care to speak with me, please let me know and I will be most happy to come.

to your home.

Sincerely
James E. Moore.

July 5, 1949

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Rev. Brashears presiding. Other members present were R. Ewings, H. Vondersmith, and Olive Shaeffer.

Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashears, the minutes of the June 6, 1949 meeting were read.

Old Business

Drains have not been repaired but, in view of the fact, that a new bldg. is to be built, it is felt that the drains can be put in then.

Bldg. Committee - Progress is being made. Plans are being drawn for the building.

New Business

A letter, directed to Rev. Brashears, from Rev. Moore of Mt. Washington Presbyterian Church asking to rent the church hall, was read. It was discussed. The secretary is to write Rev. Moore stating that the building is for sale, and we would be glad to discuss same, however, it is not for rent.

Mr. Newcomber, who is caring for our Cemetery will take care of the Grace Bldg. & Ashbury Bldg. & to keep his time and the bill is to be paid out of the Janitor's fund. Rev. Brashears will contact Mr. Newcomber.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Sec.

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July 11, 1949

Rev. James E. Moore, Pastor
Mt. Washington Presbyterian Church
Mt. Washington
Balto., Md.

Dear Mr. Moore: ^{addressed to Mr. Brashear,}

Your letter ^{inquiring} of ~~inquiring~~ concerning the use of the Reisterstown Methodist Church Hall and addressed to Mr. A was read at the Board Meeting. The building is for sale & we should be happy to have you contact Mr. Brashear concerning same. However we do not wish to rent the building. Should you be interested in

Very sincerely,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Sec.

September 12, 1949

The regular meeting of the Officials of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date with Mr. Corrum presiding. Other members present were Misses A. Gelst, W. Furbaugh, H. Vondersmith, J. Gingrich, N. McKie, R. Owings; Rev. Brashears & Mrs. O. Shaffer, M. Percogy, W. Stevenson, N. Kay and Miss P. Fisher.

Rev. Brashears led in prayer. The minutes were read and one correction made.

Old Business

1. The Presbyterians do not want to ^{buy} ~~rent~~ our Grace Building. Mr. Hale of the 7th day Adventists said that he would see that the Building Committee is informed of our desire to sell. They, however, wish a building with a basement.

New Business

1. Mrs. Forbes will pay for a window pane if someone installs same in the window on the south side of the church.
2. Dump pump is needed in the Grace Bldg. Mr. Corrum will install it immediately.
3. A janitor is still needed. Rev. Brashears is to contact Irenus Johnson concerning the job.
4. Coal bill from last winter is to be paid if money is available. Harry will order more coal only when the bill is paid.
5. Benevolence Treasure reported a balance of \$46. This money should be sent in quarterly. Arrangements ^{to pay same in quarters} between the various treasurers of Reist. & Deer Park should be made.
6. Turnage pipe at parsonage is in need of a joint of pipe where damper fits. Mr. Naylor ordered to fix same.
7. 2 shovels & 2 axes are needed.

Mr. Corrum to secure same.

for every organization
to get busy to help
get the 50%
necessary. Pledges
which are sure
will be honored
as part of the 50%.
It is important
that the urgency
of this matter be
brought before the
various organizations

8. New Building - Rev. Brashears was to contact the district Superintendent to find out the amount of money necessary before we can be permitted to start the bldg. 50% is necessary on a major project. Equations make no difference. It will be necessary

Mr. Meekins reported that he had an affirmative answer from all donors except one. Donald Christiff will send in resignation as treasurer of the Bldg. Fund.

9. It was moved and seconded that the Grace Bldg. be securely locked and anyone desiring to use the bldg. should contact Rev. Brashears. A responsible adult is to accompany any group. This adult must be responsible for the condition of the bldg.

10. Mrs. M. P. Smith desires to use Grace Bldg. for youth events under auspices of Women's Club of Glyndon.

11. Building Committee - Blue prints are out. Contractors are slow due to fact that wiring + plumbing specifications are not clear. Some changes which mean saving money are to be made. Mr. William Stederson was elected treasurer of the bldg. fund.

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Tunbaugh
Secretary

October 3, 1949

The regular meeting of the Official Board met on the above date with Mrs. Corrum presiding. Others present were the Misses Shanklin, Brashears, Meekins, H. Tonder Smith, Cross, Geist, R. Owings & the Mrs. Piregoy, Ray & Shaeffer.

After a prayer, led by Rev. Brashears the minutes of the September meeting were read and approved.

Old Business

1. Shovel got mixed. John S. will bring back the shovel which belongs to the church and is supposed to be used in the Asbury Bldg. An ax must be bought.
2. John S. will contact a person whom he feels will take the job of janitor.
3. Furnace pipe at the parsonage has not been fixed. John S. will fix same.
4. \$77 has ^{yet to} be paid on the coal bill. \$100 has been paid.
5. Window in Church auditorium has been fixed.

New Business

1. Treasurer reported a balance of \$63.48 on hand Sept. 25, 1949.
2. After discussion, concerning apportionments for the present year, it was moved and seconded that we pay what we paid last year plus additional assessment of \$7 on Bishop's Fund & \$24 for General Administration Fund - a total of just \$31 more.
3. Mrs. Orem asked for ^{was given} permission to use the Asbury Sunday School Room for the 4H Club to hold a play on Friday Oct. 7.

+ Report from Chairman N. Meekins on the new building.

A Tentative cost - about \$30,000

B This would include installation of an oil burner to heat both the church auditorium and the new bldg, rewiring, church school rooms, a kitchen, lavatories & necessary cupboards.

C The blue prints are available to all.

D 10% contingency fund necessary.

E Will be necessary to have \$35,000. Workers are needed to go out and get pledges & money from people in our church & community.

Mr. Meekins asked that this information be kept within the official Board until it is officially announced.

A committee, composed of the following are to organize a committee to take care of collecting the money.

Harry Vonderbrugg

Norman Meekins

Mr. Corrigan

John Shanklin

Marion Pezenny

Rev. Brashear

On Sunday just after the worship service, a meeting will be held to confirm the board's nomination.

One week from Sunday a congregational meeting is to be held at which time the entire plans will be explained. Before this date arrangements of same are to be sent to our congregation.

5. After discussion it was decided that

the bench, sitting in the Asbury Sunday School,
is not for sale.

There being no further business, the
meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh, Sec.

Special Meeting
October 9/49

After worship Service 11 A.M.

Mr. VonderSmith submitted the following list of
names of those who will solicit funds for the
new Bldg. The Bd. confirmed the nominations.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE TO SOLICIT FUNDS FOR
NEW BUILDING

Mr. Harry Vondersmith, Chrmn.
Norman Meekins
Miss Bessie Meyers
Mrs. Harry Kay
Mrs. George Maynard
Mrs. Edward Shaeffer
Mr & Mrs Arthur Geist
Miss Helen Geist
Mr. Charles O. Knight
Mr. Walton Warehime
Mr & Mrs W. I. Stevenson
Mr & Mrs Earl Chaney
Mr & Mrs Walter Turnbaugh
Mr. Morris Baker
Mr. Roger Yingling
Mr & Mrs Nelson Owings
Mr & Mrs Elmer Peregoy
Mr & Mrs Robert Owings
Mr. Linwood Cross
Mr. William T. Corroum
Mr & Mrs Garland Pobletts
Mr. Dudley Gocch
Mr & Mrs William D. Berryman
Miss Peggy Fisher
Mr & Mrs John C. Bennett
Mrs. George Oursler
Mrs. George Flory
Mrs. Thomas Poe
Mr. John Shanklin
Mrs. Alice Long
Mrs. Doris Hammond
Mrs. Earl Gore
Mr. George Uhler
Mrs. Max Robertson
Mr. John Gingrich
Mr. Robert Seohnlein
Mr. Roy Gardner
Mrs. Ralph Caples
Mrs. Roger Stansfield

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REISTERSTOWN METHODIST CHURCH
REISTERSTOWN, MARYLAND

October 22, 1949

Dear Members and Friends of Reisterstown Methodist Church:

Enclosed please find an explanation of improvements and additions which we are going to carry out on the Reisterstown Methodist Church.

This work is most urgent, and we are now at the point where we must ask all of our members and friends to do everything possible in order to provide the funds for this project. Many of us are not aware of the need for the proposed construction, but we think that close examination of the enclosure will convince you that it is an all-important one.

Our Finance Committee is charged with the task of raising the money for this addition and improvement. One or two members of this committee will visit you within the next few days. In the interest of our future church, please be as generous as possible.

Very truly yours,

Finance Committee

REASONS FOR NEW PROJECT

1. The present heating plant is inadequate and presents a fire hazard of the worst type.
 - (a) Furnaces are situated in the Sunday School room where children can come in contact with the heated surfaces.
 - (b) The heat outlets come through the floor in the church auditorium at a point near the rear where a fire would trap the entire audience without a chance to escape, since both of the wooden stairways are beyond this point.
2. At the present time the Sunday School room is only useful to a limited extent, because the two furnaces block the vision of an area of approximately 25% of the room. The small stage which must protrude into the front of the room necessarily causes an added waste of seating space. Due to this wasted space, the church organizations and Sunday School only have the church auditorium in which to present plays, etc.
3. The organizations who raise large portions of money for the church have very poor facilities for holding suppers and other affairs which require an efficient kitchen and a large dining space.
4. Present rest rooms are only an excuse.
5. Additional facilities are needed where we can train the large groups of small children from the cradle roll to the lower school ages. At the present time we have a Sunday School enrollment of 180, and approximately 100 of these are in the age group mentioned.

WHAT ADVANTAGES DOES OUR PLAN OFFER IN THE OLD BUILDING

1. A hot water heating plant will replace the present hot air furnaces.
2. The wash rooms and lavatories will be within the building, located where people in the present building or the proposed building have access without having to enter the other section.
3. With the removal of the present furnaces, the fire hazard will be eliminated and will allow full use of the rear of the present Sunday School room.
4. A stage slightly larger than the one which now protrudes into the Sunday School room will be recessed into the wall, allowing full use of the forward section of the Sunday School room and allowing the Sunday School and other church organizations to present their performances here.

ADDED FACILITIES OFFERED BY NEW BUILDING

1. Primarily the new building will contain three new classrooms, planned to take care of the present and future classes in the age group mentioned previously.
 - (a) The rooms will be so arranged that, at a minimum of expense, partitions can be moved to divide the area into more or less rooms in future years.
 - (b) Rooms will be adequately lighted with ample daylight.
 - (c) The corridors and rooms are so arranged that there will be two doors in each room, allowing for escape in case of fire.
 - (d) The ceilings are to be plastered; walls will be painted and floors in asphalt tile.
 - (e) The corridors from the Sunday School rooms in the rear will extend forward, allowing access to the large Sunday School room in the present building.
2. Provision for and installation of a complete new kitchen, to be arranged so that suppers can be served with maximum efficiency, using the unobstructed area in the Sunday School room to serve suppers, luncheons, etc.
3. A small extension will be built on the back of the new building to house the heating plant which will serve the new building and the present structure, and will also be of a capacity sufficient to take care of a reasonable amount of added structure.
4. There will be an unfinished (except flooring) room on the second floor of the new structure adjoining the church auditorium. A door will lead from the pulpit into this room. The room could serve as a vestry room or classroom, and will be used immediately to house the blower for the organ. It will also lead to the fire escape.
5. A steel fire escape will be built from the roof of the new structure and will be reached by way of the room mentioned above. This will allow escape from either the front or the back of the church auditorium.

INCIDENTAL

1. A small area adjoining the rest rooms on the first floor, to be available for the storage of choir robes.

INCIDENTAL (CONTINUED)

2. A small alcove adjoining the robe room to contain the central switch and service for electricity. The renovated wiring system in the present building will be tied in at this point, as well as the wiring from the new structure.

COST OF CARRYING OUT THE ABOVE PLANS

Approximately \$35,000.00.

Amount of money needed to start this project - approximately half.

Amount of money available - approximately \$9,000.00.

Amount of money we must necessarily raise in order to start this project immediately - \$8,500.00.

NOTE:- The blueprints covering the plans for the proposed new building are available to any and all who wish to see them. Contact any member of the Building Committee.

Norman W. Meekins, Chairman
Robert Owings, Co-Chairman
William Corroum
Roy Gardner
Arthur Geist
John Shanklin

Rev. Wallace Brashears
Harry Vondersmith
Mrs. W. I. Stevenson
Mrs. Elmer Peregoy
Mrs. Robert Owings
Mrs. Thomas Poe

Mrs. Garland Pobletts
Mrs. Harry Kay

October 31/49

The regular meeting of the Official Board was held on the above date, with the following present: Messrs N. Corroon, E. Cherrey, J. Gough, A. Geist, G. Poblette, N. McKinnis & H. TonderSmith, Rev. Brashear & the Mrs. J. Kay, M. Peregrin, V. Stevenson, O. Schaeffer, M. Geist.

Old Business

Shovels & axes have been procured.

Janitor has been secured

Furnace pipe in parsonage has been fixed.

New Business

The following committee was appointed to sell the Grace Building

Norman McKinnis

Mr. Cross

John Gough

Rev. Brashear

Arthur Geist

Norman McKinnis reported that C.O. Knight would like to buy the newest of the two furnaces which are now in the Sunday School if and when the new building is built.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

H. J. TonderSmith
Acting Secretary

(Copied by Eleanore B. Turnbaugh)

November 6, 1949

Special Meeting

At a congregational meeting held during the 11 A.M. Worship Service, it was unanimously voted by the congregation that the building committee proceed & build the proposed building.

November 4/49
Special Meeting

It was ordered that Mr. M. J. Steenson, newly appointed treasurer of the Building Fund, be handed all accounts and funds of the former Building Fund Committee.

This order is to be written by the secretary and signed by the chairman, Mr. Corum and the Secretary, Eleanor Turnbaugh.

Since there was no additional business, it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh, Sec.

November 20/49
Meeting After 11 a.m.
Worship Service

A special meeting of the Official Board was called immediately after church, with Mr. Corum in the chair. The purpose of the meeting was first to discuss the possible sale of the Grace Building and second to discuss, at the suggestion of a member of the Committee in charge of the New Building, the problem of additional bids which some feel are necessary.

Mr. Edward Newes reported to the board that he had inspected the Grace Building, but had not seen the deed nor gone into legal detail concerning the building. He made the following points and enlarged on them.

1. Several possible uses might be made of the Grace Bldg, but the lot is very shallow & the problem of sewage disposal is great. Also he doesn't know how the lot is zoned.

2. He doubt an apartment or store could be made, due to size of lot and improper sewage disposal.
3. He wants no commission and will accept no compensation.
4. He has an offer for \$6000 from a reliable and prospective buyer who has not said for what purpose he desires the property.
5. The value of the property may change due to the prospective new road, the possible sale of the property adjacent to the Grace Bldg. on the south.
6. If we do not wish to sell the building at present there is a possibility of putting the property on open market for 6 mo. or so and then sell.

After hearing Mr. Hewis' report, it was moved and seconded that a meeting of the Board be held tomorrow, Nov. 21 for the purpose of deciding the question concerning the sale of the Grace Property.

disregard this
 Robert Griggs, on behalf of the Building Committee explained to the Board that there has been criticism of the Bldg. Committee, because only one bid for the General Construction had been gotten. R. McKins, Chairman, is ^{concerned} upset because of this criticism, and asks the Board's support of the Committee's action. Discussion followed at which time the following points were discussed & questions asked.

1. How was notification of bidding given public notice?
2. Securing additional bids (at least 3) was considered by some to be necessary.
3. It is not a reflection on the committee, but rather a safety measure to protect us in the future against undue criticism, that they be asked to secure at least 3 bids.

~~Disregard
all this~~

4. Some felt the committee should be allowed to proceed since several contracts had been let on some work and also in fairness to the one contractor who submitted a bid which is felt to be very fair.

5. Some felt a supervising architect should be employed.

No conclusions could be drawn and it was moved & seconded that the question be carried until the meeting tomorrow Nov. 21. It is to be voted upon at this meeting.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Quenbaugh
Sec.

November 21, 1949

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date. The following members were present: Misses Baker, Shanklin, Turnbaugh, McKim, Corrum, R. Owens, Berryman, Yingling, Pablette, Gingrich, Peregory, G. Geist, Gooch, W. Vonderomith, Rev. Brashears and the 'Mrs. Ray, Shaffer, Berryman, Stevenson, Peregory.

Following a prayer led by Rev. Brashears the minutes of the three previous meetings were read and approved.

Unfinished Business

Facts ^{pertaining} to the sale of the Grace Building were explained and discussed at the November 20th meeting (see minutes). It was moved and seconded and passed with unanimous vote that the Grace Building be sold to Mr. Louis Susemihl for \$6,000 cash. Mr. Susemihl is to be asked, if he has no immediate use for the building, to allow the children of our Sunday School to occupy same until he wants the space.

The transfer of the property will be handled by the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Vonderomith read a report from Mr. Stevenson, our Building Fund Treasurer, who reported

Pledges to date \$895.27

Cash to date \$1681.00

Mr. Vonderomith added that we have about \$26,000 available from various sources.

The question of where to borrow funds is up to the finance committee who will recommend to the Trustees.

New Business — A motion was made, seconded &

passed to have Mr. Bennett serve on the Board of Stewards. This will be voted upon at the next Quarterly Conference.

It was moved, seconded and passed that Mr. E. Hewes be written a letter of appreciation for his help and cooperation in selling the Grace Building.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted -
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh, Sec.

December 5, 1949

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met at the church on the above date. The following members were present - Rev. Brashears, Misses A. Geist, G. Poblette, L. Cross, Bennett, Meekins, H. Tonder-smith & also Mrs. Stevenson, Peregoy, Shaffer. The meeting was opened by prayer led by Mr. Cross.

A motion was made & seconded that Mr. L. Susenbuhl be granted permission to make minor repairs to the former Grace Building at no expense to the church. Motion passed.

The question of securing a new Treasurer was discussed.

Moved & seconded we have the church treasurer bonded. Motion carried & also to find out cost of burglary insurance.

Motion made & seconded that Mr. Bennett be made a member of the Official Board subject to the approval of the Quarterly Conference. Motion passed.

It was moved, seconded & passed that the finance committee be requested to secure a report of the financial condition of the church & report to the Official Board by Dec. 15, 1949.

It was moved & seconded that Mr. Brashears be made a committee of one to settle the matter

Copy given to Rev. Brashears

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REISTERSTOWN METHODIST CHURCH

Reisterstown, Maryland
November 14, 1949

By the order of the Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church, Reisterstown, Maryland, it is Ordered this 14th day of November, 1949, that Mr. William I. Stevenson, newly elected Treasurer of the Building Fund of the Reisterstown Methodist Church be handed the accounts and books of the former Building Fund Treasurer, Mr. Philip B. Welsh, Sr.

William I. Stevenson
Chairman of the Board

Wallace M. Brashears
Pastor, Reisterstown Methodist Church

Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary.

REISTERSTOWN METHODIST CHURCH

Reisterstown, Maryland
November 14, 1949

Upon a Resolution passed by the Official Board of Reisterstown Methodist Church, Reisterstown, Maryland, that Philip B. Welsh, Acting Treasurer of the Building Fund of Reisterstown Methodist Church, turn over the funds of said Building Fund to William I. Stevenson, the newly elected Treasurer of said Fund, of which Donald Christhilf was former Treasurer, he having resigned.

William I. Stevenson
President of Board

Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

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William I. Corouin
President of Board

Eleanor B. Turnbough
Secretary

The Methodist Church
BALTIMORE WEST DISTRICT — BALTIMORE CONFERENCE
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BALTIMORE 7, MARYLAND

J. TURNBULL SPICKNALL
DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

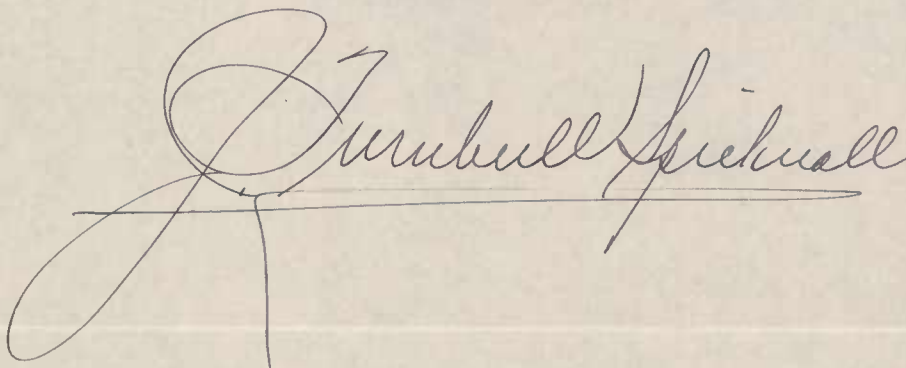
November 28, 1949.

The Reverend Wallace M. Brashears,
Reisterstown,
Maryland.

Dear Wallace:

Inasmuch as the Reisterstown Methodist Church has obtained in cash and pledges the sum of \$28,000, they are hereby authorized to proceed with the erection of their new addition to cost approximately \$35,000. Also, this letter will approve the sale of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, building for \$6,000.

Very sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "J. Turnbull Spicknall". The signature is written over a horizontal line and features a large, looping initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

of the remaining fund owed on the small furnace.
Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting
adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
H. J. Vondermith
Acting Secretary

(Copied by E. Turnbaugh)

Jan. 11, 1950.

The regular meeting of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met
on the above date with these members present - Rev. Brascheus,
the Minister R. Owings, H. Vondermith, C. Knight, Meekins,
Sherklin, Geist, Corum and Mrs. C. Shaffer, T. Stenson,
M. Perry.

After a prayer led by Rev. Brascheus, the minutes of the
December 1949 meeting were read & approved.

Old Business

Rev. Brascheus reported that he had contacted Mr.
Jepp who hasn't let him know how much we owe
on the furnace.

Mr. Knight, Treasurer, reported
receipts for year to Dec. 25/49 \$1,950.00
Expenses \$1,931.57
Balance \$18.51
Benevolence Balance \$272.41

Nothing as yet has been paid on Conference
Claimants, Missionary Extension, etc.

After discussion, it was moved and seconded
& passed that the Financial Secretary separate the
Sunday money and deposit Current Expenses to the
Treasurer of Current Expenses and Benevolence to the
Credit of the Benevolence Treasurer, beginning Febru-
ary 1, 1950.

Our Financial Secretary is to select an
assistant to help him.

It was moved & seconded that we reconsider the
motion concerning the bonding of the Treasurer.
It was moved, seconded & passed that Bonding Motion be

laid on the table.

The question of burgular insurance was discussed. Harry Tondermitt explained a policy which covers theft, larceny etc. It was moved, seconded & passed that we buy such a policy. Harry will take care of same.

New Business

Mr. Munkin of the Building Committee volunteered to answer questions concerning the new building. One question - that of the room on the 2nd floor was discussed. It is necessary and will be used.

It is necessary that a special permit be granted for our building. The building will be posted for 10 days.

There is no plot of the ground belonging to our church. In the future this property should be surveyed to determine what belongs to our church.

Mr. Geist is doing the superivising of the building. He has done a grand job. He & Mr. Clark are working together.

The cupboards in the kitchen were donated & installed by Mr. Geist. Moved & seconded to take them back.

Mr. Brashers asked that we have a good group of people to attend the ^{missionary} ^{& Church Extension} ~~Neotoma~~ ^{Society} Meeting. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Furbush
Secretary.

January 30, 1950

The official Board of the Reisterstown Church met on the above date with the following members present - Rev. Brashear, Messrs A. Geist, R. Owings, W. Corrum, L. Cross, Bennett, J. Shanklin, N. Merkins, N. Turnbaugh and Mrs. Hay, Peregoy and Stevenson. After a prayer, led by Rev. Brashear the meeting was opened by the Chairman, Mr. Corrum.

Mr. Hewes, our agent in connection with the selling of the former Grace Building, made the following report which he asked be kept confidential.

Mr. Hewes has been unable to clear the title to the Grace Methodist Church Building. In a deed uncovered, dating from 1850, a restriction to the property states that should the property cease to be used as a Church property, it would be reverted back to bank heirs. Judges have been called in, but it may be some time before it can be cleared up. Mr. Susemihl is anxious to get the sale cleared. If possible, Mr. Hewes would like to have the old records to use in helping to straighten this up. Also, Mr. Hewes will be glad to send a letter renewing the selling contract, if the Board wishes. After hearing the above report it was moved, seconded and passed that Mr. Hewes be given such records as necessary to straighten up the matter. Any records are to be kept in a safe place and returned to the Board. It was also moved and seconded that Mr. Hewes be asked to continue as our agent and that Mr. Susemihl be asked to renew his contract with expiration date on or before 6 months from today (Jan. 30, 1950)

The minutes of the December meeting were read and approved.

New Business

Rev. Brashear has cards for United Protestant Appeal. Also, cards are being sent through the mail.

The Finance Committee met. They are going to put out a letter asking for a boost on current expenses and benevolences.

The Quarterly Conference will be held on March

Rev. Brashers said that he was eligible for retirement in June. If he retires, it will be necessary to secure another minister for a year. Rev. Brashers' health has been bad and has hindered him, however he would be willing to stay with us another year. He wanted an opinion from the Board members. It was suggested that the Pastoral Relations Committee meet and discuss the matter with Rev. Brashers and then report to the Board.

On February 13, the Baltimore Districts are launching a campaign of visitation and evangelism. Rev. Brashers would like workers. Mr. Corrigan, Mrs. Perego, Mrs. Shaffer and Mrs. Sternesson volunteered. The Board members were asked to submit names of prospective church members.

The Building Committee reported the following.

1. It has been recommended that the rear 2nd floor room be eliminated. It is not felt that the room is needed and the labor costs involved could well be applied to other costs. There will be a door for a fire escape.

2. It was recommended that the floor in the present Sunday School be removed, cemented & tiled to join in with the new part of the building.

The Board accepted the above recommendations.

The furnace is shooting fire. It is necessary to patch it. John Shanklin volunteered to do same to the best of his ability.

It is felt that the Church Extension Society should be contacted immediately to gain financial support.

(3)

Since the Grace Bldg. no longer needs to be cleaned, it was suggested that the cleaning ladies be contacted and arrangements made where by their wages might be reduced \$4 per month. The Sunday School has been giving \$8 per month toward cleaning, but are pressed for money and are reducing their giving to \$4 per month.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor B. Turnbaugh
Secretary

March 6, 1950

The Official Board of the Reisterstown Methodist Church met on the above date at the home of Walter Turnbaugh. Rev. Brachear. The ministers Poblitta, Geist, Cross, R. Ownige, Bennett, Shanklin & Meekins were present and also Mrs. Geist and Stevenson. Rev. Brachear acted as chairman. Mrs. Cross led in prayer. Following the reading of the minutes of February the following old business was reported.

Finance Committee - The Committee met, composed and sent a letter stating needs of our church and asking for support. Contributions are coming in. T. Poblitta reported that \$102 had been donated during past two weeks.

Selling of Building - Rev. Brachear reported that our church has been doing business under the name of Tabernacle Chapel. Records from 1848 have been found. It will be necessary to have our name changed legally to the Reisterstown Methodist Church. Michall Smith is working on the proper forms and he will send necessary papers & instructions to Dr. Spicknall. It will be necessary, after a lapse of 10 days, to call a meeting of the congregation to vote on the name change. Until this is done, the Trustees cannot give a deed. The property has been held as church property nearly 100 years, therefore a clear title may be gotten through court as soon as the Bd. of Trustees is made competent to give the deed.

On Tuesday Jan. 31 Rev. Brachear took the figures and visited Dr. Spicknall concerning aid from Church Extension Society. Dr. Rand has been contacted and he has ordered Dr. Spicknall to sign necessary papers.

Turnances has been repaired.

The Bldg. Committee reported progress. We now have a permit. It was moved, seconded & passed that the fact that Judson Yinding and Mrs. Yinding, adjacent property owners, gave no opposition of the erection of the addition to our building, be recorded.

Pastoral Committee is to be continued. Scoring the Bldg.

Ladies on Clearing committee stopped when the Grace Bldg. was sold and they are satisfied to take a pay reduction.

Three Evangelism Teams went out. Results were gratifying.

Benevolence treasurer reported receipts \$ 824.69
 paid out 809.00
 Balance \$ 15.69

approximately \$50 to pay yet on World Service

There was no treasurer's report. It was felt that a Treasurer's report should be made at every Board meeting. The Finance Committee should be responsible to wait upon the Treasurer. They should continue their work send Treasurer's books to the audit Committee, then report to the Board. Recommendations might then be made.

Our banking account is overdrawn. It was moved, seconded & passed that the Pastor call Charles Knight and order no more checks be issued until our bank balance is covered.

The Building Committee reported that it will be necessary to buy oil for our Building. The Contractor has been authorized to fill the tank. It is necessary to decide from whom we are going to buy oil. This is to be carried until such time that it is necessary to make a decision.

It was suggested that men of the Official Bd. take turns firing the furnace, thereby saving the janitor's fee. It was moved & seconded we fire the janitor. A list of volunteers fire men was made & will be posted.

On Sunday March 26 the Pastor will preach a special sermon for the youth of our church as it is Youth Sunday.

There being no additional business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
 Eleanor B. Farnbaugh
 Secretary.

April 3, 1956

Official Board First Church

Dear Members:

I wish to submit my resignation as Treasurer of the Rantersdown Methodist Church, effective May 1, 1956. Due to my present position I feel I cannot spend the sufficient amount of time necessary for the Treasurer's duties. If you are unable to acquire a new Treasurer by this time I will be willing to continue until June 1, 1956.

Sincerely
Chas. C. Knight Jr.

