

# Faith Development Meeting

Date: November 13, 2017  
 Convener:  
 Recorder: Jenny Hobson and Rachel Small Stokes  
 Members Present: Jenny Hobson  
 Staff Present: Rachel Small Stokes, Chris McKenzie  
 Members Absent: Jenny Bromley, Ashley Cochrane, Kelly Madden, Jane Mecham  
 Staff Absent:  
 Next meeting: Sunday, December 3, 12:30pm

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Decisions Made</u>	<u>Action Needed</u>	<u>By Whom</u>	<u>Follow-up Date</u>
<b><u>Devotional</u></b>	Jenny read from a children's book of prayers by a WV author, in honor of Rachel's announcement of her pregnancy.			
<b><u>Nativity Play</u></b>	Rachel has found a script to adapt. Roles needed: Someone to help adapt the script – Jenny Hobson People to help fix up costumes – <i>Soliciting volunteers</i> Child Herders – Rachel will ask Children's Church teachers Narrator (adult?) Scripture Reader(s) – youth members?	Seek volunteers	Rachel	
<b><u>Nursery</u></b>	Rachel has hired Elly Green and Michelle Mecham to share the job as Childcare Assistant to Hope Tarter. Some paperwork still need to be completed, but they have filled out applications, been Safe Sanctuaries trained and interviewed.	DONE, except for paperwork. Follow up with Dave needed.	Rachel	
	Nursery needed quick access to first aid, so Rachel ordered a kit with extra bandaids that is now in the nursery.	DONE		
	Ashley Hammond donated a working glider to the nursery. Paul Jacobs picked it up and delivered it, and Dave Kobersmith disposed of the old one.	DONE		

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## Budget Update

Reviewed latest church budget. Request for Maggie Park to be assistant is still in the requested budget, but pledges are coming in very low so far, so cuts may still need to be made before the December budget meeting. We will monitor.

## Youth Group Update

Chris requested the board's help in setting goals and priorities. Recent behavioral issues and a large group have made it necessary to clarify priorities of whom and how we serve. He will send out an email with questions for online discussion with board members. This may look like a mission and vision statement for the youth group. Of particular concern: what "growth" goals are; how to sustain the current group without alienating new people; how to direct faith development.

Email list of requests from board Chris

## OWL update

Chris had an excellent experience at training and feels very convicted that this is important for us to do. It will also be time intensive and possibly expensive, so lots of planning is needed. Carla Gilbert will be a co-leader, but Diana Hultgren is also trained and available as backup. Parent consent will be vital. There are about 35 lessons at 45 min each, so it's a big program, and we might need to see if we can prioritize those lessons. Kent, Rachel, Carla, and Chris will gather to think through next steps.

Set up a meeting of Kent, Rachel, Carla, and Chris

Rachel

Church council has asked us to think about expenses for 2018. Ideas so far: additional youth group worker; additional child care workers; nursery room improvements/renovations; van or bus for FD activities, especially youth group.

## WNL update

No significant report

## All Y'all Faith Days

Tabled til next meeting since none of organizers were present.

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**Closing prayer** Rachel closed with prayer.

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