

MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN QUARTERLY

The Northern Quarterly met in regular session January 11, 2014 at Bethlehem FWB church. The congregation was led in song by Bro. Corey Minter: *Look and Live*. Prayer was led by Bro. Eddie Hodges. The host pastor, Bro. Randy Corn gave the welcome. Response was given by Bro. Dwayne James. The Resolutions Committee was named as follows: Chair, Bro. Jon Justice, Bro. Eddie Hodges, & Bro. Bud Hill.

Bro. Eric Sims brought the morning devotion about looking at the past and looking at the future in a way that is God honoring from Philippians 3:7-4:1. We must identify with our Lord Jesus Christ and His sufferings, being conformed to His death. In Scripture, Paul reminds us that he has not yet arrived. We are justified, but the process of sanctification has to continue on... "I must press on". We must look forward to the future not the past. We need to live in one accord, with accountability to one another. Our lives must reflect Christ to others.

The business session began with the seating of the ordained ministers, ordained deacons and delegates. Visitors were recognized. Bro. Randy Riggs introduced some fellow Christians who were immigrants from Russia living in the Franklin area: Bro. Benjamin and his son David. Bro. Benjamin shared about his ministry work with *El Shalom Ministries*. A motion was made to receive delegates, seconded and carried. Mrs. Megan Morgan presented the minutes. A motion was made to receive the minutes, seconded and approved. She then gave the treasurer's report. There was a motion made to receive this report, which was seconded and approved. Bro. Dave Davis dismissed the body for a break.

The Resolution Committee met and made the following recommendations:

1. Be it resolved that we give today's offering to *El Shalom Ministries*.
 2. Be it resolved that the NQ gives a rising vote of thanks to Bethlehem FWB for hosting the meeting.
- The resolutions were voted on individually. Motion made to accept all resolutions, seconded and approved.

Bro. Jon Justice shared the Examining Committee's written report. The report stated, "In summary: An individual who has not been divorced, but whose wife has been divorced (based on Scriptural grounds) may seek licensing and ordination as an elder/bishop or deacon within the Northern Quarterly". There was a motion to receive the report as read, seconded, and approved.

Bro. Dave Davis asked Bro. Mike Bell to present *FWB Family Ministries'* report. Bro. Bell gave his thanks to the NQ churches for their prayers and support. He reminded the body of the *Family Ministries* newsletter that gives quarterly updates. They are still working on their new school building project. They have written a letter explaining their "It's Just a Dollar" campaign to help raise support for the cost of the new building. The *Hope Center* is serving over 450 families in different capacities and 110 babies were born through this ministry in 2013. Bro. Bell encouraged visitors to come see the center; this past year they welcomed 1,636 visitors.

Bro. Phillip Morgan informed the body that the CTS Competition was scheduled for February the 28th & March 1st. He has sent a letter to the NQ churches with information pertaining to the competition. Applications for competitors are due by Feb 1. By February 7th the board will decide whether the competition will require one or two days to complete. On February 14th a program for the competition will be provided to insure all competitors are entered. Special Note: The NAFWB will meet in Fort Worth, TX during July 27-30. This is one week later than usual due to some scheduling complications with the city of Fort Worth. This does mean that the national meetings will be held during the week that Tennessee school teachers will be reporting back to school. Please plan accordingly.

Bro. Verlin Anderson (formerly with FWBIM) came forward and gave thanks for past support from the NQ. He shared with the body his current ministry work with Christian Health Service Core. He still desires to reach the people in Africa with the Gospel. He thanked the body for their continued support and prayers.

Bro. Stan Coker gave a report for Cumberland Youth Camp. The new building has been completed. He thanked God for providing and the NQ for their part in that provision. There is still some cost for the new building and it still needs to be furnished. Bro. Stan would love an opportunity to speak in the local churches. The camp will hold its annual Pastors' Wives Retreat for women in ministry February 7-9th. Due to school schedules, summer camp will begin a week later than normal. Teen week will begin on June 1st and the rest of the summer will continue with the normal 5 week rotation. Bro. Stan shared with the body his new motto: "Every kid- every year." He exclaimed that children need to go to camp every time they are able. He thanked the NQ for their continued support.

New Business:

The Examining Committee met and made the following recommendations:

1. "In summary: An individual who has not been divorced, but whose wife has been divorced (based on Scriptural grounds) may seek licensing and ordination as an elder/bishop or deacon within the Northern Quarterly".

A motion was made and seconded to receive the recommendation. When the floor was opened for discussion, Bro. Gene Parton requested a clarification of the phrases "Scriptural Grounds" and "the culture in which we live." These phrases were then clarified by the Examining Committee.

An amendment was made to add to the recommendation the following: "We recommend that we give \$100.00 from the NQ treasury to Welch College for allowing us the use of the Thigpen Conference Room."

A motion was made to receive the amendment, seconded, and approved.

The amended motion was then voted on and approved.

Mrs. Joy Corn informed the body that CDWAC's spring retreat will be held March 21- 22nd at Montgomery Bell State Park. More information concerning this event will be sent to the NQ churches. Ruth McDonald will be the guest speaker.

A motion was made to adjourn the business meeting, seconded and approved by a standing vote.

The worship service began with a hymn led by Bro. Corey Minter, *How Firm a Foundation* and an offering was given. The congregation then sung, *We're Marching to Zion*. Bro. Roy Jensen thanked the examining committee for their work on the complex issue addressed by their recommendation. He then introduced Bro. John McClure as the speaker for the morning message.

Bro. McClure's theme for the message was "Let God Lead You This Year". The message was about the future and how we will handle the problems and opportunities that will come our way. He read the portion of Psalm 127 that states that if God is not involved in our work then all is in vain. He compared Moses' and Pauls' reliance on God in their efforts. Both were prepared to serve but failed by trying to do it without the direction of God. Many times we let our flesh lead us instead of God. Bro. McClure challenged the body to beware of letting their zeal preclude God's guidance and timing. He exhorted us to: Wait, Listen, & Follow God this year. He then close by reading Proverbs 3:5-6 and leading the body in prayer.

On behalf of Welch College, Bro. Barry Raper thanked the NQ for its support. He reminded the body about Welch College emphasis day on February 23rd and the rally that evening at PVCS. Bro. Barry Simpson dismissed in prayer. The next NQ meeting will be held April 2014 at Covenant FWB, Southside, TN.

Registration Report:

Delegates13:

Visitors: 9

Ministers: 24

Deacons: 1

Total: 47

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Morgan, Clerk

Officers and Committees of the Northern Quarterly 2013-2014:

Executive Committee:

Moderator: Rev. Roy Jensen

Asst. Moderator: Rev. David Davis

Clerk: Mrs. Megan Morgan

Treasurer: Mrs. Megan Morgan

Worship Leader: Rev. Corey Minter

Asst. Worship Leader: Rev. Dwayne James

CTS Committee and Christian Education Committee:

Ms. Misti Waldrop, 2013

Mrs. Margaret Hampton, 2014

Mr. Phillip Morgan, 2015

Mr. Craig Beecher, 2013**

Mrs. Virginia Justice, 2014**

Members at Large:

Rev. Bud Hill, 2013

Rev. Cecil Boswell, 2014

Rev. Mark Milling, 2015

Examining Committee:

Rev. Barry Raper, 2013

Rev. Randy Riggs, 2014

Rev. Ronnie Smith, 2015

Rev. Jon Justice, 2016

Rev. Randy Corn, 2017

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The Northern Quarterly met in regular session April 12, 2014 at Covenant FWB church. Bro. Corey Minter led the congregation in singing "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood." This was followed by an opening prayer. The host pastor, Bro. Jon Justice gave a welcome. A response was given by Bro. Roy Jensen. The Resolutions Committee was named as follows: Chair: Bro. Cecil Boswell, Bro. Chris Camp, & Bro. Mike Callis.

The business session began with the seating of the ordained ministers, ordained deacons and delegates. Visitors were recognized. Mrs. Megan Morgan presented the minutes and a motion was made and seconded to receive them. Bro. Eddie Hodges brought to the body's attention that some corrections of dates needed to be made to the "Officers and Committee" list. Mrs. Morgan said she would review the original nominating committee report and make the needed corrections. The motion to accept the minutes was then voted on and approved. She then gave the treasurer's report. There was a motion made to receive this report, which was seconded and approved.

Bro. Roy asked Bro. Mike Bell to present *FWB Family Ministries'* report. Bro. Bell gave his thanks to the NQ churches for their prayers and support. He reminded the body of the *Family Ministries* newsletter that gives quarterly updates. They are still working on their new school building project, and the *Hope Center* is serving several hundred families in different capacities. Bro. Bell invited the body to a celebration on October 18th to commemorate 75 years of service.

Dr. Ken Riggs reported on behalf of Welch College. He gave an update about the Online Learning program that is being offered. Now the program is offering Associate degrees and a Bachelors of Science degree. This program is for non-traditional adult learners who need an alternative to a traditional classroom setting. He shared how this is opening up new opportunities for adults who may already have a family, job, or career. Some of these adults enlisted are current pastors and lay-leadership in our churches. He encouraged pastors to take some brochures back to their churches and promote this new option for further education and thanked the Northern Quarterly on behalf of Welch College for their continued prayers and support.

Bro. Chad Kivette gave an update about the work at 180 Church in Clarksville, TN. He commenced by thanking the Northern Quarterly for their continued support. He then told about the work that the Lord has been doing through their ministry. They have moved into their new building and since then attendance has only been growing. Their first day in the new building they had 162 in attendance. They are planning on having a building dedication service on May 4th at which Michael Oliver, Clayton Hampton, and David Staton will be guests. Bro. Chad asked for continued prayer for the ministry of the 180 Church.

Bro. Corey Minter then reported on behalf of Cumberland Youth Camp. He shared about the upcoming camp year and its theme—"Go". Due to school schedules, summer camp will begin a week later than normal. Teen week will begin on June 1st and the rest of the summer will continue with the normal 5 week rotation. This year in addition to the traditional summer camp, they will be adding a day camp as well. Bro. Corey shared his burden for the attendance this past year of camp and challenged the body to encourage more youth to go this summer.

Ms. Misty Waldrop then reported on behalf of the CTS Committee and gave a brief report about the success of the competition held at New Hope this past March. They had 53 entries and of those entries 38 were sent on to the State Competition at Welch College on May 2nd & 3rd. They look forward to seeing even more competitors at next year's competition.

Bro. Roy Jensen dismissed the body for the morning break.

Upon returning from the break, Bro. Roy asked Mrs. Megan to share the Executive Committee's Report. Mrs. Megan shared that the Executive committee met briefly at the previous January meeting and voted that Bro. Ed Pierce would be the devotion speaker and that Corey Minter would be the main speaker at July's meeting. A motion was made to receive the report, seconded, and approved.

The Resolution Committee met and made the following recommendations:

1. Be it resolved that we give today's offering to *Daniel and Katie Speer*.
2. Be it resolved that the NQ gives a rising vote of thanks to Covenant FWB for hosting the meeting.
3. Be it resolved that the Northern Quarterly ask each church in the quarterly to receive a love offering for the Tim Osborn Family.

The resolutions were voted on individually. Motion made to accept all resolutions, seconded and approved.

New Business: Bro. Roy Jensen named the Nominating Committee as follows: Chair: Bro. Randy Riggs, Dr. Seldon Buck, and Bro. Eddie Hodges. They would need to meet and report back at the July meeting.

Bro. Daniel Speer came and reported to the body about his and his wife's (Katie Speer) decision to join the International Mission team in Japan. He shared his and Katie's heart for Japanese unbelievers and informed the body that he would be teaching while they are there. They are in the process of raising support and hope to be in Japan full-time by next year.

Bro. Roy led a prayer and an offering was received on behalf of the Speers. Bro. Corey led the congregation in singing "Nothing but the Blood."

A motion was made to adjourn the business meeting, seconded and approved by a standing vote.

The worship service began with Bro. Corey Minter leading the congregation in singing "He Lives!" Bro. Roy Jensen introduced Bro. Wayne Bess as the speaker for the morning message. Bro. Wayne briefly made an announcement about the upcoming Youth Rally at Ashland City FWB on May 17th.

Bro. Wayne's theme for the message was "Who Jesus Is". The message gave 5 facts about who Jesus is: 1. He is the fulfillment of prophecy, 2. He made amazing claims, 3. He had supernatural powers, 4. the tomb was empty, and 5. He transforms lives. He exhorted us to ask ourselves the questions: "What does He mean to you?" and "What will you do with Jesus?"

Bro. Glen Poston also gave a report on behalf of the State Promotional Office. He thanked the Northern Quarterly for their continued support. He shared Bro. Tim Osborn's current medical state. Also, he shared some of what the different local organizations have recently done. He announced that the CE board will be hosting another training day for Pastors and lay-leadership this September in Cookeville. There is going to be a Golf tournament on September the 9th at Pebble Brook golf course. Proceeds will be going to the Panama Ministry Fund. If an individual wants to sponsor a hole it will cost \$100.00; churches are \$50.00 per hole.

The body was dismissed in prayer by Dr. Buck. The next NQ meeting will be held July 2014 at First FWB, Springfield, TN.

Registration Report:

Delegates: 4

Visitors: 12

Ministers: 18

Deacons: 4

Total: 38

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Morgan, Clerk

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Executive Committee:

Moderator: Rev. Roy Jensen

Asst. Moderator: Rev. David Davis

Clerk: Mrs. Megan Morgan

Treasurer: Mrs. Megan Morgan

Worship Leader: Rev. Corey Minter

Asst. Worship Leader: Rev. Dwayne James

Members at Large:

Rev. Cecil Boswell, 2014

Rev. Mark Milling, 2015

Rev. Bud Hill, 2016

CTS Committee and Christian Education Committee:

Mrs. Margaret Hampton, 2014

Mr. Phillip Morgan, 2015

Ms. Misty Waldrop, 2016

Examining Committee:

Rev. Randy Riggs, 2014

Rev. Ronnie Smith, 2015

Rev. Jon Justice, 2016

Rev. Randy Corn, 2017

Rev. Barry Raper, 2018

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The Northern Quarterly met in regular session July 12, 2014 at First FWB church in Springfield, Tennessee. Bro. Dwayne James led the congregation in singing "I'll Fly Away." This was followed by an opening prayer given by Bro. Ronnie Smith. Bro. Dwayne then led the congregation in singing "The Gloryland Way". The host pastor, Bro. Dave Davis gave a welcome. A response was given by Bro. Roy Jensen. The Resolutions Committee was named as follows: Chair: Bro. John McClure, Bro. Cecil Boswell, & Bro. Phillip Morgan.

Bro. Ed Pierce brought the morning devotion about looking at the past and looking at the future in a way that is God honoring from Philippians 3:7-4:1. We must identify with our Lord Jesus Christ and His sufferings, being conformed to His death. In Scripture, Paul reminds us that he has not yet arrived. We are justified, but the process of sanctification has to continue on... "I must press on". We must look forward to the future not the past. We need to live in one accord, with accountability to one another. Our lives must reflect Christ to others.

The business session began with the seating of the ordained ministers, ordained deacons and delegates. Visitors were recognized. Mrs. Megan Morgan presented the minutes and a motion was made to accept them, seconded, and approved. She then gave the treasurer's report. There was a motion made to receive this report and seconded. Bro. Randy Riggs then made a motion to amend the treasurer's report by changing the line items on the report from "Clerk's Fee" & "Treasurer's Fee" to one line item named "Clerk/Treasurer Fee," and increasing the fee to \$100.00. A motion was made to receive the amendment, seconded, and approved by a raise of hands. Then the amended motion was approved by a rising vote.

Bro. Earl Langley came on behalf of Bro. Glen Poston and shared the State Promotional Office's report. He thanked the Northern Quarterly for their continued support of the Osborn Memorial Fund, but gave the reminder that there is still a great need. The printed State Promotional Office report is available as well as the Echo. He reminded the body that there was going to be a Golf tournament on September the 9th at Pebble Brook golf course. Proceeds would be going to the Panama Ministry Fund.

Bro. Earl Langley also gave the report for Welch College. He gave an update about the Online Learning program that is being offered. The college has flash drives available with a promotional video for the Online Program. The Video was shown. Bro. Langley encouraged pastors to request one of the flash drives and to share it with their church families.

Bro. Roy Jensen dismissed the body for the morning break.

Upon returning from the break, Bro. Roy shared that there was not an Executive Committee's Report, but that the board would need to meet during lunch.

The Resolution Committee met and made the following recommendations:

1. Be it resolved that we give today's offering to the Osborn Memorial Fund.
2. Be it resolved that the NQ ask each church in the quarterly to receive a love offering for the Osborn Memorial Fund.
3. Be it resolved that the NQ be in prayer for the National Association meeting.
4. Be it resolved that the NQ give an offering from the general account of \$500.00 to the Osborn Memorial Fund.
5. Be it resolved that the NQ gives a rising vote of thanks to First FWB for hosting the meeting.

The resolutions were voted on individually. Motions were made to accept all resolutions, seconded and approved.

The Nominating Committee report for the 2014-2015 officers and committee members was presented by Bro. Randy Riggs as follows:

Officers and Committees of the Northern Quarterly 2014-2015:

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Rev. Mark Milling, 2015
Rev. Bud Hill, 2016
Rev. Cecil Boswell, 2017

Examining Committee:

Rev. Ronnie Smith, 2015
Rev. Jon Justice, 2016
Rev. Randy Corn, 2017
Rev. Barry Raper, 2018
Rev. Randy Riggs, 2019

Motion was made to receive the complete slate of officers and committee members, seconded and approved. Motion was made to accept the nominations, seconded, and approved.

The Examining Committee met and made the following recommendations:

1. We recommend the acceptance of Aaron Harris as a minister in good standing pending a letter from the Twin City Association of Georgia.
2. As per request of the Portland Association of General Baptists, we recommend sending a letter of good standing for Bro. John Lee.
3. We recommend the acceptance of Bro. Chris Campbell as a minister in good standing pending a letter from the Social Band Association of Arkansas.

The recommendations were voted on individually. Motions were made to accept all resolutions, seconded and approved.

New Business: No new business.

Dr. Seldon Buck spoke on behalf of PVCS. They have celebrated 75 years of ministry. In May 2014 they graduated their 30th graduating class which consisted of 33 students. Dr. Buck shared that they have wonderful students and parents. The school is now offering up to 12 hours of dual enrollment courses. He asked that we encourage more students to attend.

Mrs. Allysa Harvey came and reported on her and her husband Dale's recent trip to China. They were encouraged by the growth in the five girls that were on their team. Also, there were several Chinese people that began to be open to the gospel and spiritual growth. They plan on returning in a year and will be raising support.

Bro. Phillip Morgan came and gave a brief report on behalf of the TN Christian Education Board. They will not be having a training day in September as had been previously reported in another report at the April quarterly meeting.

Bro. Verlin Anderson came and gave a brief report about his ministry. He will be leaving for the Ivory Coast in the fall. There are newsletters sent out quarterly, he encouraged anyone wanting to receive those to sign-up for them.

The worship service began with Bro. Dwayne James leading the congregation in singing "There is Sunshine in My Soul". Bro. Randy Corn led the congregation in prayer. An offering was received. Bro. Dwayne led the congregation in singing, "In My Heart There Rings a Melody". Bro. Roy Jensen introduced Bro. Corey Minter as the speaker for the morning message.

Bro. Corey brought a message from the narrative of Elijah's life beginning in 1 Kings 18:20. He shared three principles from the life of Elijah. He exhorted the members of the Northern Quarterly to be accountable and an encouragement to one another.

The body was dismissed in prayer by Phil Wilson. The next NQ meeting will be held January 2015 at Friendship FWB, Ashland City, TN.

Registration Report:

Delegates: 6

Visitors: 3

Ministers: 23

Deacons: 2

Total: 34

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