

Wood County Area Ministries Minutes

Date: September 2, 2010

Location:: St. Thomas More University Parish, Bowling Green.

Attendance:

Norm Almanson, Dayspring
Judy Long, First Presbyterian
Erin Hachtel, FUMC
Don Neifer, St. Mark's
Wib Miller, BG Christian Food Pantry
Mary Jane Fulcher, St. Thomas More
Jean Can, Perrysburg Christians United
Helen Dukes, BG Ministerial Association
Bob Barr, Salvation Army
Lyndsey Dougherty, UCF
Bill Thompson, UCF

Jean Can, Perrysburg Christians United attended and reported on their activities. Each month the agency has \$2,300 a month to distribute to needy people. A CPA assists with the record keeping. The most any one person receives is \$300.00 which is paid directly to the landlord, utility company etc. The money is donated from area churches. They prefer to help with rent.

A problem of how to best help transient people was discussed. We need to continue to discuss homelessness, lack of transportation and look for solutions.

Bowling Green Christian food pantry reported that their resources are down and the need for assistance has increased,

Emergency Food and Shelter Board (FEMA) funds were discussed. Organizations interested in applying for these funds may contact United Way. This is government money and the record keeping must be precise. The notice of awards comes out in January. Funds are distributed twice a year.

Announcements:

United Christian Fellowship: Is working on organizing Talking Circles where people who have been helped by WAM will be invited to come to the new UCF house for a discussion opportunity. UCF's new address is 113 Crim Street. UCF has 4 interns this year. The name of their new location is the Common Good House.

Crop Walk is scheduled for September 25th at the Bowling Green City Park. 25% of the funds raised will stay in Wood County and go to the Christian Food Pantry. 75 % of the funds raised will go to Church World Services. Contact person is Wib 419 352 6476.

St, Mark's open dinner meal on every Wednesday evening has resumed after a summer break. 61 people attended the first meal after the break.

Punt, Pass and Kick will be held on September 18th before the first BGSU home football game.

Next meeting will be on October 7, 2010 at the First United Methodist Church. Pam Butler from the Wood County Health Department will be the speaker.

2010-2011 Meeting Dates:

All meetings are at 4:00 p.m.

October 7, 2010

November 4th

December 2nd

January 6th

February 3rd

March 3rd

April 7th

May 5th

Ministry Reports:

Food Pantries Reporting Information from St.. Thomas More

Households	Children	Adults	Seniors	Total	October
63	43	112	15	170	STM Food

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Jane Fulcher