

Minutes of Elders' Session – 2nd May 2017

In the chair — Rev. Robert Bebb.

There were 16 Elders present and also Sioned Williams

MATTERS ARISING:

- 1) The application for the proposed entry to the Ministry by Joshua Pamar and the service of release for Rev. Robert Bebb had been approved by Presbytery.
- 2). Church Administrator.- an application had been received from one of our members. This was now under consideration.
- 3). "Heaven to Earth" a musical based on the story of Adam and Eve, was to be shown at the Motorpoint Arena on the 15th-18th January 2018. A programme of introduction was to be shown on Tuesday 30th May in Cardiff.
- 4). Sara Morris had introduced Prayer for Wales but no further information was to hand.
- 5). Prayer meetings. It was suggested that not enough prominence was given to prayer especially for future ministry. With this in mind it was decided to hold the first of monthly prayer meetings on 21st May 2017 on a Sunday morning 10.15 - 10.45 in the middle hall, focusing on the future ministry of the church. Minister to announce from the pulpit and also put in announcements. The prayer meeting on 13th June would also focus on future ministry.
- 6). Christmas services. There would be one service on Christmas Day at 11.00 taken by Joshua Pamar.
- 7). Service of Release. Presbytery will take the service. It was suggested that Glynis Owen be approached to give the sermon.
- 8). Information for congregation after Robert's retirement. Rather than have several people involved, it was suggested that Iris Taylor be the first one to approach should the need arise.

UPDATE FROM GROUPS.

Christian Aid.

- A Tea has been arranged for the afternoon of Saturday 1st July 3-5p.m., at Park End. All welcome.
- A return visit was planned by Mari and Moses on Sunday 15th October and they would take the morning service.
- Maria Rosario Felizco, who is the agent for the work of Christian Aid in the Philippines is to address a meeting at Crwys Church on Monday 8th May at 2.00p.m. This would be an English meeting.

Pastorate Committee.

- No interest had been shown so far in the future ministry.
- It was reported that Rev. Stephen Nantlais Williams would point Irish ministers in our direction.

Worship Group.

- A number of issues regarding the form and content of worship in the services were discussed. Feedback from some members was considered. The Elders thanked

Rob Tucker for all the work he has done in arranging the musicians particularly given the constraints of availability for several key people over the past months. The session fully supported the range of content and styles delivered, understanding not all will find all songs helpful.

ON THE AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING~ The Future Ministry.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 30th MAY 2017.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

- a). The next Presbytery meeting would be held at Ystrad Mynach on Saturday 29th July 2017.
- b). Church trip to Tenby. Open to all. Cost likely to be £12 for adults and £6 for a child. Further information from Nick Perry
- c). Evening service 21st May ~ Sioned Williams to preach and Keith Hawkins to administer Communion.
- d). It was decided that the next theme for preaching services would be The Fruits of the Spirit
- e). John James was happy to help out at family services.
- f). The Lempriere legacy. Bob Webb to see how many bibles would need replacing in the pews.
- g). A folder from I-teams had been received. It was decided it would be distributed to Elders to read and their thoughts be brought back to the next meeting.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting and members stood for the Grace.

Agenda Elders Session 30th May 2017

1. Apologies
2. Church Report.
3. Prayers
4. Minutes of the meeting May 2nd 2017
5. Main items & Matters arising –
Future Ministry arrangements

Update from Groups
 Pastorate
 Worship
6. Main Focus for next session
7. Date of next meeting – 27th June 2017
8. AOB