Minutes CCMA Meeting Thursday, August 4, 2011 - 8:30 am; Lighthouse Mission Next Meeting is Thursday, SEPTEMBER 1, 2011 at 8:30 am.

We joyfully gathered this morning to give praise to God for our many blessings and for the gracious breakfast hosted by the Lighthouse Mission. Terry Myers, Clovis Municipal Schools Superintendent opened our meeting in prayer. Introductions were made.

Present: John Rollinson, Bill Brewer, Scott Blazek, Bruce Kirby, Roy Martin, Sistar Yancy, Richard Gomez, Curtis Brewer, Steve Reshetar, Jamie Pitts, Terry Myers, Scott Seymour, Joyce Davis, Erinn Burch, Michael Tenoria, Don Reid, Dick Ross, Bonita Knox, Tammy Garner, Shirley Rollinson.

Thank you to Scott Seymour for our devotion about Discipleship and our responsibility to love and live in Christ. How can God change lives? As each person and the culture struggle to maintain relationships - this can only be done in Jesus Christ crucified. The church can be viewed as powerless, archaic, and irrelevant. With Christ as guide the church can again see human transformation, if we take seriously God's call to discipleship, and take seriously the model of discipleship in Christ.

The minutes from July were discussed. Scott Blazek gave a review and passed out the letter written to Mayor Brumfield and the Clovis City Commission members, and a copy of some of the editorials (including Scott Blazek's and Curtis Brewer's letter to the editor as approved by the Ministerial Alliance) in the Clovis News Journal, regarding the Gay Pride Parade on July 9. We discussed this and noted that previously Scott offered a revised revision to the minutes of July 7 which was sent by email. That revision is again included here:

Scott Blazek brought up the Gay Pride Parade to be held on **Saturday, July 9 at 12:45 pm.** The parade will start at 14th and Grand. The ad ran in the Sunday, July 3, Clovis News Journal.

After discussion, with concern that we not judge and that people are hungry for acceptance and noting: our desire is for Jesus to be seen through our community. Two items were discussed: Curtis Brewer and Scott Blazek will draft a letter for our review, and we are being encouraged to go to St. James at noon on Saturday for Prayer. The idea is to watch the parade and pray for the people. You are encouraged to call your friends and family regarding awareness of this event and our call to pray. **Note: The ad says the parade begins at 12:45.**

revised version offered to replace the above standing minutes paragraph is as follows:

Scott Blazek asked about plans for a Gay Pride Parade in Clovis. Most in the room admitted that they were unaware of this. A couple mentioned that this parade was already planned for that very Sat., July 9. Considerable discussion followed, most of which expressed concern regarding this "parade" not being consistent with the image of Clovis as a community of traditional family values and that this parade would be offensive to our vastly Christian community and certainly in opposition to clear passages in the Bible. Some cautioned about appearing judgmental and that our ultimate desire is for Jesus to be seen through our community. By consensus, the group agreed that something should be expressed from the CMA settling on a letter to the *Clovis News Journal*. Scott Blazek and Curtis Brewer offered to draft the letter [which was reviewed/edited by Chairman, John Rollinson before submission]. Alan Brockmeier offered St. James at noon on Saturday as a common place to gather to be in prayer for our community. Everyone was encouraged to call others to be aware of this event and our call to pray. **Note: An ad in the Sun. July 3,** *CNJ* **said the parade would begin at 12:45** at 14th and Grand.

Also, regarding the July 7 minutes Shirley was asking for updates to the Church Contact List for the hospital and was not referring to the 'Pamphlet" of area churches. She asked to take out the reference to the "Pamphlet". Please make note. The July Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report. Jim was absent but assured John that nothing has changed from last month's report. **Announcements:**

Erinn Burch from United Way told us about: 1000 STRONG FOR EDUCATION. In just one hour you can make a difference in a child's life and in the future of our community. Volunteer to read to a child and encourage the success of our youth. Learn more about volunteering in our schools or have an ENMYC representative speak to your business by calling 2-1-1.

UNITED WAY is sponsoring STUFF THE BUS on August 20 from 10 am - 3 pm., at the Clovis and Portales Wal-Mart. When you donate NEW school supplies, register a DESERVING 5-12 GRADER to win a Desktop Computer. Call 2-1-1 for more information.

United Way is offering a way to help with the cost of prescriptions. Dial 2-1-1 to set up your appointment today. Erinn invited us to a WEBINAR on Wednesday, October 5, at 10:00 am in the City Hall Assembly Room, regarding CHARITY TRACKER. Charity Tracker is a secure way to offer help in the community. See charitytracker.com or call 1.888.764.0633.

Also, Erinn encouraged us to partner with the Special Olympics Friday and Saturday, September 16 and 17. We are encouraged to participate in the opening ceremonies, to cheer them on, and to participate in the dance Saturday night. Don Reid echoed the support of this event.

Terry Myers encouraged Whiz Kids and the reading programs throughout our schools and Shirley told a story of a woman who thanked nuns who taught her to read. Reading is fundamental. We shared discussion about Terry's request that each

of the schools be prayed for, before and even after the new school year begins - August 22. Terry invited us to the Convocation on August 19, 8:00 am at Marshall. Erinn wrote down the list of the area school for which the churches can pray. Here is the list of Schools:

Yucca, Prayer Partner - John Rollinson, Lockwood, Don Reid, Parkview, La Casita, Bella Vista, Clovis High School, Mesa, Zia, Lincoln Jackson, Sandia - Scott Seymour, Ranchvale, Barry, James Bickley - Steve Rechetar, Freshman Academy, Cameo - Bonita Knox, Choices - Curits Brewer, Los Ninos. Pick a school and pray. Contact Sabrina Farmer or Bonita to make note of the your school prayer partner.

Tammy Garner updated us about the event at the Curry County Event Center - SHATTERING THE SILENCE on Saturday, August 13 beginning at noon and the bands to play at 2:00 pm. Please pray for this event and the young people who will be attending. There will be a prayer room. You can help by buying a ticket (Master Book Store and Ace Triangle or online at Itickets.com Tammy gave us her cell: 575-693-9074. Please pray and buy a ticket.

Joyce Davis shared about Habitat for Humanity. The ground breaking for the 10th house was held and property was donated for another family for another future build.

Bonita shared about CROP WALK (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) the Date is set for Sunday, October 9. We gather at Trinity Lutheran at 1:30 and the walk begins at 2:00 pm. The route is from Trinity (1705 W. 21) to the High School to 14th to Main around Green Acres and then back to Trinity for a brief Food Bank Presentation. The people of Somalia have walked 300 miles for food, water, and shelter. Please walk in support of people locally, nationally, and globally who walk for basic human needs. We walk because they walk!

Curtis Brewer closed our time in prayer.

Faithfully submitted,

Bonita Knox

A Note from the Secretary: Each month, for your announcements, write down your information to be shared, and give to Bonita. This helps with accuracy and contact information. Be sure to double check the emailed minutes to make any corrections/clarifications quickly. Thank you. The minutes are prepared and sent out as soon as possible following the meeting. If you have not received them within a few days contact Rhonda or Bonita. We can gladly resend them.