Clovis Christian Ministerial Alliance

Minutes of the Zoom Meeting of Thursday, January 7, 2021, 8:30 a.m.

Present : Erin Burch (United Way), Kaitlan Ducken (Arise), George Hostler (Salvation Army), Roy Martin (Parkland Baptist), Carla Miller (Pregnancy Resource Center), Solomon Nakka (Indian Community), Casey Peacock (United Way), John Rollinson (St. James' Episcopal), Shirley Rollinson (ENMU Religion Program), Eric Saed (Trinity Lutheran), Kevin Tuttle (Hillside Christian), Darrell Underwood (Servants Heart Chapel), Dean Williamson (New Life AoG), Sistar Yancy (Christian Believers' Education)

Opening Prayer : Dean Williamson

Introductions : Dean Williamson

Scripture Meditation : *Dean Williamson* on Gen. 16:13 "You are the God who sees me". God saw Hagar in the wilderness, and provided for her. God sees all our situations and will provide for us.

Minutes of last Month's Meeting : Shirley Rollinson

 Treasurer's Report : Dean Williamson for Lemuel Perry
 - no financial activity during the past month

 Previous Balance :
 \$ 384.13

 Current Balance :
 \$ 384.13

Voluntary membership dues of \$25 are now being accepted. Funds are used for donations to various causes, advertising, etc.

Guest Presentation : Solomon Nakka (pastor of the Indian community). Pastor Nakka gave his testimony. He is a firstgeneration Christian, brought up in a Hindu family in India. When he was in college he was invited to help with a Christian meeting, and as a result, after searching and prayer, he asked Jesus to be his Lord and Savior. He joined Campus Crusade for Christ, and as a Christian, he was able to help deliver his mother from visits by an evil spirit. He had a vision and a call to preach to Hindus. India is a country of many countries, with many languages, cultures, and peoples. The first Christians in India trace their history to the mission of the Apostle Thomas, but still only about 2% of the population is Christian. There is no Christian radio network. Indians like to worship many gods.

In 2011 Pastor Nakka started his Mission to the Unreached Multitudes (MUM). It now supports 14 full-time missionaries and has 7 churches. They focus on evangelism to children, and reach the parents through the children. They hold Summer Camps and have Children Feeding Centers. \$300 will feed 73 children for a month. They also have a ministry to lepers. COVID has resulted in all churches bieng locked down, and pastors are facing hardships. The MUM ministry was able to give a gift of \$35 to each pastor, or \$10 to pastors' families. Pastor Nakka hopes to go back to India in March 2021. At present there is opposition to Christians in India by a Hindu radical group, and the Prime Minister is a strong Hindu, so persecution of non-Hindus is starting. Pastor Nakka is available for more information, phone 575-366-3366

Announcements :

1. The CCMA Facebook page is becoming more active. It will be a place for notification of Meetings and news of the community. At present the main Administrator is Josh McVey; Shirley Rollinson has been added recently, and Dean Williamson is going to ask Josh to add Eric Saed also. Eric Saed remarked that it could be a good resource to help pastors new to the area to locate community resources such as Grief Support. Ray Martin said it would be a good idea to have a group of Administrators. Shirley Rollinson said that before we go much further it would be a good idea for the Steering Committee to work on some guidelines as to what was, or was not, appropriate, and how to deal with inappropriate posts. The CCMA facebook page is at https://www.facebook.com/clovischristianministerialalliance

2. Shirley Rollinson announced that there are still places available in the "Science and Religion" course which she will be teaching online at ENMU this semester. It goes beyond Creationism, Evolution vs. Us, and deals also with some of the ethical problems raised by scientific and medical research; it includes interviews with leading scientists from a variety of religions who integrate their religious faith with their scientific work. One may audit the course if one does not want to take it for College Credit. Further details from Shirley Rollinson rollinsondr@yahoo.com or Shirley.Rollinson@enmu.edu

Closing Prayer : Kevin Tuttle

"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful; and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more, as you see the day drawing near." Hebrews 10:23-25

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