

Mercy Team Meeting Minutes  
February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 7:00 PM

**Attendance:** Mary Lancaster (P), Josiah Colle (P), Steve Phelan (P), Robin Bowin (P), Ritchey Cable (A)

**Opening Prayer:** Steve Phelan

**Devotion:** Mary Lancaster: Hezekiah and Humility – A focus outward instead of inward – Humility agrees and is glad that everything we have is a free gift of God, and that this severs the root of boasting.

**Pastor's Report:** No report – Ritchey to give us a couple dates/times that might work better for him to be able to attend Mercy Team

**January Minutes:** Approved

**HelpNet:** No report

**Walk-in Ministry:** No new walk-ins—Child, Single Man/Single Woman (hygiene/food), and Family bags (minor household/food items) are available

**Card-Making Ministry:** No report

**Care Team Ministry:** Care Team received some heartfelt thank-you's from the folks that receive cards—cards have a big impact! On average, sending out 39 cards/months. Stamps are expensed, line item #7010

Care Team has not had many people needing visits.

**Compassion Meals:** Meals delivered to Fontaine Tebo.

**Compassion Wheels:** No report – see new business

**Memorial Meals:** No report

**Mercy Fund:** *End of January:* Revenue \$10 Expense \$200 Balance \$39,486.54

**Closed Agenda Items:**

1. Josiah is the new moderator
2. Robin is the new clerk
3. Recurring meeting time: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 6 pm
4. 2022 annual report submitted

**New Agenda Items:**

1. Thank you cards: John Russell, Izzy Foreman, Laura Cooper, Connie Summer, Kay Bowin (Josiah to bring cards) (And rest of team, bring mailing address)
2. Compassion Wheels / Pastoral Aid (calling tree) / Care Team Visitors
  - a. Prayer request emails
  - b. First / second service prayer requests
  - c. Do people know what Mercy Team (and teams under that umbrella) do(es)?
  - d. Josiah to bring a 30-second announcement draft to present to team
  - e. Propose 2<sup>nd</sup> service slides rolling advertisement for Mercy Team (and other teams, too)
3. Josiah to get with Ritchey on Mercy/Helps cards and bring prototype cards for March meeting
4. Robin sample box for card drop follow-up next time
5. Caleb to join at March meeting (in-person)

- a. Discuss CPR certification for attendees (weeknight events at church) and an outreach opportunity (Robin to bring some cost estimates to get an idea on feasibility)

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM

**Devotion for February Meeting:** Steve Phelan

**Closing Prayer:** Josiah Colle