

GASHLAND DISCIPLESHIP TEAM MEETING AGENDA/MINUTES

Date/Time: 12/5/23 7:00pm				Location: GEPC Library			
PRESENT(P) ABSENT(A) EXCUSED(E)				PRESENT(P) ABSENT(A) EXCUSED(E)			GUESTS
Michael Morefield (Elder)	P	A	E	Laura Cooper	P	A	E
Caleb Mason (Staff)	P	A	E	Lake McGinty (Intern)	P	A	E
Mike Brink (Elder)	P	A	E	Matt Martinie	P	A	E

Agenda

I. Opening Prayer – Laura Opened in prayer.

II. Follow-Up Business Items (Review of Previous Minutes/Action Items)

A. Approve Previous Minutes

B. Conversations Update for Spring: RT is going to try something new for our Spring Conversations series. They are going to have a social hour after the meal instead of the teaching time. There is discussion on potentially utilizing the fellowship hall during this time. Each week would be different (trivia, bingo, dessert and coffee, game night etc).

C. DT Emphasis planning

1. DT Emphasis for 2024 is Come and See (John 1:39)

a) The heart behind this is to invite people to live missionally.

b) Caleb will introduce emphasis Sunday January 7th.

c) Pray for missionaries during service, pass out prayer cards to SS, prayer for the lost on the back of the communication card, 4:10 serve days, book of the month on evangelism, utilize porch for book of the month and missionary focus.

d) Other ideas for the year:

(1) Actual training on evangelism in Sunday School Class or Conversations

(2) Prayer meeting for the lost

(3) Testimonial for missionary or how people have been sharing their faith, or missed opportunities.

(4) Challenging people to be in community, be around unbelievers, do a neighborhood picnic

(5) Skit during conversations for case study for evangelism

2. Next Month we will plan out calendar for year.

3. Book of the month for February will be Placed for a Purpose. Team discussed having a process for an organic book club to take place each month. We will have a sign up sheet online and in the library.

D. Core Areas/Goals of Discipleship for Team to consider addressing

1. Increased SS and Conversations attendance
 - a) Team discussed rebranding SS to appeal to wider audience. We will revisit this next month. Team discussed promoting SS quarterly with graphics/postcards. We also discussed potentially ways to do a three week shuffle that would encourage people to try different classes. These ideas will be revisited next meeting.
2. Systematic theology
3. Family Discipleship
 - a) Laura Cooper brought up the idea to have some family events that promote discipleship. We discussed having a mother/daughter, mother/son, father/daughter, and father/son events. DT voted to approve this idea. Laura is going to drive this idea. Next month we will develop calendar for these events.
4. Multi-generational discipleship
5. Conquer Series (Lake) - Mike Brink will bring this action item up in session to discuss.

III. New Business

A. Miscellaneous- Next Meeting Time - 2/6/24

IV. Closing Prayer –

<u>Action Items</u>		
Recommendations/Plan of Action	Completion/ Follow-Up Due Date	Who is Responsible?

<p>Proposals Requiring Session Approval or Diaconate Requests</p> <p>Note: The Coordinating Team is the natural connection between the Session and the Diaconate. Any requests to the session and/or its committees need to be given in time for their meeting, the second Thursday of the month.</p>	<p><u>Summary of Proposal</u></p>	<p><u>Session Approval or Diaconate Requests?</u></p>
<p>Next Meeting Date</p>		

V.

Michael Morefield

Minutes Recorder