## Mission Committee

November 8, 2022

**8:45 AM** Bible study/reflections- "Do whatever he tells you to do" John 2:5, Ed Storey

When we read the Bible, we see places where we can "skate". That is, they do not seem to be talking to us. Many times they have a message for us, more than we might be willing to admit. Still, they do not always have a big impact.

There are, however, places where we cannot squirm away. Messages that are aimed directly at us are those that deserve our attention. Mary provides such a message. When the wine ran out at a wedding, early in the ministry of Jesus, she gave us the shortest sermon in the Bible. *Do whatever he tells you to do*. If we took this line to heart and truly obeyed, we would be doing all that we are supposed to.

I like this, because it is a straightforward account of an important event in the life of Jesus. We can follow what transpired and see the consequences of what happened when the servants did what they were told. There are other events and parables that seem to result in endless interpretation and retelling. We hear less about the episode at the wedding; in part because the message is so clear.

We all like to pick and choose what we like whilst we try to ignore what is tough to do. There are times when parables can seem a little unclear. This is not a parable. Rather, a direct account of a pivotal event. There are times when we need a direct message. Something without a lot of wiggle room. I do not know if the mother of Jesus was aware her message would still resonate after two thousand years.

I once had a boss who said: "If I had more time, I would have written you a shorter letter." If we look carefully, much that is written has too many words. There are no spare words here. Whilst I do not always like the directness, it is probably what I need.

I've probably already used too many words. Let us just think about what is in the book of John.

Question: What has Jesus told you to do?

9:00 a.m. Call to order/Prayer

Carol

Stephens

**Announcements-** Prayers for Members -Withdrawal from Mission Committee-Debbie & Rick Myers

Minutes of 10/11/22 Mission Meeting-Approved

Financial Report: Mission Budget Review October 2022

**Doug Clark** 

Mission Reports/Comments- Round Table

Update Reminder: Each person with assigned Mission area should contact assigned agency/Missionary on a regular monthly basis for update and activity. If able or unable to attend meeting, please submit written update or email for committee and minutes.

Amado-GV Food Bank

Kylene Joplin/

Carol Stephens

Posada Community Service

Casa Vida Nueva para Niños Reed Olson

Compañeros en Misión Judy Aguayo

Crossroad Nogales Mission Les Walter

General Mission Support Ed Storey

Hands of a Friend Pat Nau/Kara Fitzpatrick

Mission at Large Ann Ball

Mission Quilts Patti Bright

Operation Mobilization (Pam and Dave L)) Doug Clark

PCUSA Seminary Support Larry Craft

Presbyterian Campus Ministry George Curtis

Bob and Kristi Rice (PCUSA missionaries)

Doug Clark

St Andrews Children's Clinic Kay Brouwer

Valley Assistance Services Steve Larson

Youth On Their Own Mary Horn

Co-chair Ed Storey

Recording Secretary Jim Fitzpatrick,

Member at large Lillian Richardson

## **Old Business**

Mission Breakfast Mission/ missionaries for 2022-2023 Programs

November 12, 2022-Posada Community Service- Sign up/plan 1:00 set up November 11, 2022

January 14,2023- Hands of a Friend

February 11/2023-Rise/Casa Vida Nueva

March 25, 2023- Nogales Crossroads Mission

Noisy Offering- 2022 5th Sunday of month for 2022-2023

October 30,2022-St Andrews Children Clinic- Kay Brouwer-results \$1558.05 Total donated \$5,548.05

January 29,2023- Rise/Casa Vida Nueva-Reed Olson

May 30,2023 Youth On Their Own-Mary Horn

July 30,2023 Posada Life Community Services

October 29,2023 Presbyterian Campus Ministry-George Curtis

Compañeros en Misión Fundraising Fiesta-update of program with 140 attending with \$7,100+ raised

Operation Christmas Child-October/ November Ann Ball-update and review

Thanksgiving Dinner at Crossroads Nogales Mission- update of turkeys/donations-results \$700+

Presbyterian Campus Ministry- Gas light Theater on December 8<sup>th</sup> for the 5p.m. show.

Presbyterian Giving-Christmas Joy (December 18, 2022), One Great Hour of Sharing (April 3,2023) Pastor Christopher and Ed Storey will arrange publicity.

Café Justo- 20 Year Anniversary of Café Justo- November 4 and 5 in Douglas AZ. Judy Aguayo- follow up

Resuming Lunches at Crossroad Nogales on hold

Financial Report for all agencies due (most recent) Crossroads Mission, Community Food Bank (I already entered 6/30/2021 data last year. We need 6/30/2022 data.) Hands of a Friend, St. Andrew's Children's Clinic, VAS, Youth on Their Own (Mary told me it isn't ready yet.)

Voice articles- 4 or more / month- July/August (6) September (11) October (12) November (12)

Review and Update of Mission TV Assignments-

## **New Business**

Mission Outreach 2023-Please review and return 1 week or today

Walk to Defeat ALS December 3, 2022, at 10:00a.m.

**Brain storming** 

**Prayer/ Adjourn**-----Next meeting is 12/13/22, at 8:45 a.m. Room 5 with Zoom