December 2008 Stewards Minutes

STEWARDS MINUTES Seekers Church December 7, 2008

Present: Marjory Bankson (notetaker), Peter Bankson, Ken Burton, Lewise Busch, Jeannine

Caracciolo, Pat Conover, Cynthia Dahlin, Jane Engle, Sue Johnson, Muriel Lipp, David Lloyd

(worship), Aeren Martinez, Sandra Miller, Trish Nemore, Keith
Seat (moderator), Margreta

Silverstone, Deborah Sokolove.

Absent: Brenda Seat

For Next Month: January 4, 2009

Moderator...David Notes...... Jeannine
Worship.... Sandra Angels..... Margreta, Lewise

Worship began in the dark, with only a small candle-flame to signal Advent.

Budget for 2009 was approved as presented by FOG with additions made last month.

Marjory reminded us of the percentages represented by each category:

INCOME

Contributed 240,000 Building use 30,000

EXPENSES

Giving to others........... 83,000 31%

(+15,000 to Bokamoso in '08)

 Community life.......
 13,900
 5%

 Building Ops.......
 59,700
 22%

 Building Purchase......
 56,750
 21%

 Staff.......
 270,000
 100%

Proposal to reallocate \$10,000 of 2008 funds from loan repayment to food programs was

approved. After considerable discussion, we agreed to

* guarantee at least \$40,000 (of the planned \$50,000) would be used for loan

repayment;

* a committee of Pat, Sandra and Aeren decided on the following distribution:

\$6,000 to the National Capital Food Bank;

\$2,000 to Shepherd's Table (where we direct people who come for help);

\$2,000 to Potter's House for their after-hours feeding program.

Christmas Offering was approved as follows:

- * \$1200 already approved by Stewards for a particular SSIHC family;
- * \$1200 for Bernadine Johnson's family (formerly with SSIHC);
- * any additional monies for the four students from the Central African Republic who are

currently living at 2025 Mass. Ave.

Update on 2025 was offered by Keith and Kate, followed by SOUL
TALK, fabulous dinner and a

spirited reading of "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever!"