

## Minutes

### Natural Church Development Meeting

January 3, 2010 12:15 p.m.

Attending: Jana Abbott, Joy Leimer, Tom Yingling, Anna Flynn, Mike Honas, Zoe Hoyle and Jeremy Koehler.  
Absent: Joan Bowen and Pastor Jacobson.

Jana Abbott called the meeting to order.

#### **Old Business**

##### Neighborhood Shepherd program

Joy Leimer has made contact with Woodland United Methodist Church of Derby and invited them to Gloria Dei for a presentation of their program during the Christian Education hour on February 7, 2010. Joy will also put an announcement in the February newsletter and the January 31 and February 7 bulletins of this upcoming program.

##### Wedding Shower – February 14

Zoe Hoyle passed around the proposed invitation for the honored couples and discussed other plans for this event. Invitations will go out January 18 with a RSVP date of February 7. NCD team will meet at church on Saturday morning, February 13 for set up and baking muffins. The honorees will have reserved seating and the NCD team will serve their food. Jana will check with Pastor regarding reserved seating at worship services, recognition at worship service and bulletin listing.

#### **New Business**

Anna Flynn brought a proposal from the Social Ministry/Outreach committee to identify all benevolent giving to make the congregation aware of all the various causes supported by not only the Social Ministry's budgeted donations but by other groups and individuals at Gloria Dei. We decided to compile a list of all the recipients of benevolent giving (both time and money) and in-kind contributions (e.g. Go Zones food contributions, Crop Walk peanut butter contributions) in 2009. Going forward in 2010 we would like groups and individuals to keep track of their benevolent giving apart from their regular church offering. The consensus of the NCD team was that many in the congregation are not fully aware of Gloria Dei's caring and benevolent giving outside of Gloria Dei's walls. Jana will draft a communication for blast e-mail in this regard.

The NCD team briefly discussed whether any additional activities to improve Loving Relationships should be pursued by the NCD team after the Neighborhood Shepherd program and whether a third round of NCD should be undertaken when we have completed our work on Loving Relationships.

The meeting was adjourned. Next NCD meeting will be Sunday, February 21, 2010, 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jana Abbott