

Splinters from the Board....



A Brief Report from the General Board meeting of First Christian Church, December 3, 2012

Celebrations Shared!

Steady increases in the number of visitors, a new Young Adults Fellowship Group, a Moment for Mission for the children's Heifer Project that raised over \$350, the finished remodels of the the Mayall Conference room and tiling of the narthex, plans for continued work on enhancing our building's "radical hospitality"!

A budgeting process that one participant described as "deeply spiritual," and increases in pledges for 2013 by well more than a majority of "pledgers." Half a dozen new pledges too!

Full parking lots, running out of communion cups – celebrating signs of continued growth!

The Board's first "all-green" meeting with materials shared "on-screen" instead of printing packets

Questions? Please feel free to contact Moderator Nancy May or Senior Pastor Chuck Blaisdell

Heard with appreciation Associate Pastor Katherine Raley's outreach role with the Colorado Springs Long-Term Recover Group for victims of the Waldo Canyon fire.

Gave thanks for the lives of those members who have died in the last two months.

Actions Taken

Approved the 2013 Annual Operating Budget for First Christian Church. This is the first budget for FCC that is over a half a million dollars. The budget is 95% funded based on a conservative estimate of anticipated gifts and pledges, and the Finance and Executive Committees believe – and the General Board concurred – that with the continuing evidences of growth in our giving and participation, achieving a fully funded budget is very doable.

Copies of the budget are available from Pastor Chuck or can be found on FCC's website firstchristiancos.org in the "Members" section.

Moderator Nancy May appointed Vice-Moderator Don Metz to begin the Nominating Committee process