

**÷Shelby Church Board Meeting**  
**July 15, 2025**  
**Agenda**

**Board Members:** Pastor Daniel Jean-Francois, Lewis Clark, Cindy Bowman, Naomi Peres, John and Ritsuko Triplett

**Opening Prayer:**

**2025-32 Agenda Approval:** The board approved the motion to accept the agenda

**2025-33 Church Clerk Report:**

- May minutes – The board approved the motion to accept the May minutes
- Transfer request from Maritza Whisnant—The board approved the motion to accept her transfer request from Shelby Church to West Charlotte Spanish Church (1st reading 7/19; 2<sup>nd</sup> reading 7/26)
- Laura Jean-Francois will transfer her membership to Shelby Church (Pastor to Lincolnton Church)

**2025-34 Pastor's Report:**

- Transition—closing of the home in a week; 12 minutes from Shelby church
- Goal of the Board- "The spiritual nurture of the church and the outreach of every member." Church Manual, p. 127
- This includes overseeing:
  - The spiritual health and growth of the congregation
  - The coordination of evangelism and mission efforts
  - The fostering of unity and spiritual care within the church
  - The planning and implementation of church programs
- Calendar items- Pastor will be gone for Ministerial Retreat (Aug. 3-6) and Andrews Continuing Education (Sept. 21-25)

**2025-35 Treasurers Report:**

- Review reports for May/June
  - a) There is enough funding for evangelism, Pastor and John will plan an evangelistic event for the fall
  - b) The board approved the motion to accept the May report
  - c) The board approved the motion to accept the June report

**2025-36 Ministry Reports:**

- Elders-
  - Had an elders meeting previous Sabbath (7/12)
  - Will start visitation

- Evangelism/Personal Ministry –
  - Had the first Bible study with Kate & Kenneth Saravia on 7/12
- Sabbath School Superintendent- Possible teacher
  - The board approved that Laura would teach the Sabbath school when her membership is transferred. Pastor will also be part of the rotation.
  - Have more people to do the opening of the Sabbath School (Cindy)
- Pathfinder- N/A
- Children's Sabbath School
  - No leader (Teachers: Robin, Teresa, Kristy)
- Community Service/Food Bank
  - Naomi
- Communication Director- N/A
- Deacons
  - There is no ordained deacon
- Deaconesses
  - No head deaconess (Deaconesses: Teresa, Kristy, Leslie)
- Health and Temperance Ministry- N/A
- Men's Ministry- N/A
- Women's Ministry
  - Priscilla
- A/V Department
  - Lewis & Ritsuko
- Religious Liberty
  - Terry Goldman → Pastor Montes → Cindy has been doing the actual work for the last few years (but not on the records)
  - Liberty Magazine distribution list needs to be reviewed and updated

#### **2025-37 Old Business:**

- Quotes for paint
  - Lewis – No progress, suggested Bob be involved
- Update on the Department of Transportation
  - Lewis received a call on Thursday (7/10). They are going to start cutting down the trees on Thu, July 17
  - The holdup is having fiber optic lines relocated at the bridge over Buffalo Creek. It'll be 30-45 days, and the intended work length at the church is approx. 3 weeks. The church can be accessed for Sabbaths and Tuesday nights, which may be dirt road access when they take out the asphalt for the old parking way.

#### **2025-38 New Business:**

- Spanish group

- Some group of Spanish members are looking to rent the fellowship room again, only temporarily until they find another place to meet. But no move or decision will be made until the Hispanic coordinator of the conference and the leader of the group communicate and a certain process protocol takes place.
- Naomi has information on possible meeting place
- **Foodbank Solution**
  - Currently, the burden is put on one person (Lewis), so we need to examine if this ministry is sustainable
  - Lewis - Current level is sustainable, but developing and building is not realistic
  - Shopping is done at Jay's (surplus store) in Forest City once a month, some items are cheaper or available only at Walmart
  - Inventory can be done during distribution or before the Bible study on Tuesdays
  - It is better to minimize things so we can focus on things that more people can be involved and do well rather than spreading ourselves too thin
  - Lewis will make a list of all the things that need to be done
  - On July 26, Pastor will share the situation with the church and see if there is anyone willing to be involved or lead the ministry
  - On Aug 10, we will have the last food pantry for now if no one else steps up, and let all the recipients know about the pause
- **Power wash siding, gutters, and steeple**
  - Soffits need repaired as well especially on the back side
  - Siding—at the entrance
  - Our policy of getting at least 3 bids per project makes it difficult to proceed due to scheduling, being time consuming (2 hours per quote x 3 quotes), etc.
  - Vendors need to fill out W9. This can make things more difficult as well
  - Pastor will check with the conference about the process before proceeding
- **Proclaim Software to be voted**
  - \$379.99 per year
  - The board approved the motion to continue to use it after the free trial
- **Music Ministry- A Better Covenant Band**
  - Darby and Andrew Schultz from Spartanburg SDA Church have a full-time music ministry and are now booking for 2025
  - Pastor will find out about the cost, etc. and if they need to be booked soon, we will vote through email

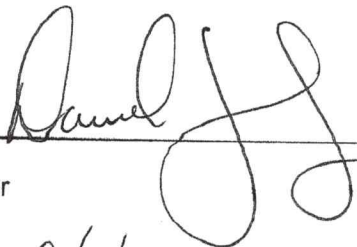
## **2025-39 Additional Topic**

- Naomi steps down from the community service and Priscilla from women's ministry


## **Next Meeting**

- Next Meeting: August 12, 2025

Closing Prayer:

  
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Pastor

9/16/2025  
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Church Clerk

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