

July 2018 Meeting Executive Summary

There is a lot happening in the life of our church and your Leadership Team (formerly Church Council) is committed to making sure we get more information to you about what is happening. Some of what was discussed was:

- Victor Dingus joined the leadership team to hold a discussion around a recent Demographics Study and how it relates to Long's Chapel. A small study team will be formed with members of the leadership team to discuss ways to give direction and flesh out what it means to be a church that *reaches, grows and serves*.
- Candice Freeman, Child Enrichment Center shared some ministry highlights in the life of the Child Enrichment Center. Some of those highlights include:
 - Chapel is now held for children ages 3-5 every Wednesday led by pastors, staff, and volunteers from the church
 - This year the Child Enrichment Center teamed up with LCKids to offer VBS in the classrooms during the day for children ages 2-5
 - The children participated in National Day of Prayer this year. They also created a small token and said a prayer for each of our pastors.
 - Many center improvements have taken place. Room arrangements developed to have them ready for ratings, new shelving and toys along with rugs, improvements in the playground, and will open a new classroom in August 2018 to help provide care for nine more families.
 - The food program has seen improvements by working with the child and adult food care program to improve the quality of the meals served. All whole grains and mostly fresh produce are served daily. Starting June 1 breakfast was added to the list of offerings.
 - Staff training plans have been implemented and offers training in the classrooms (one-on-one), as a large group, and in small groups. Monthly staff meetings give staff the opportunity to come together and work as a team on some projects.
 - Candice also shared with the leadership team that there are 18 children on the infant waiting list (7 that aren't even born yet!) There are 23 children waiting for a spot in the two-year old classroom. This year they will be able to take everyone on the four-year waiting list for k-prep.
 - Goals for the future include completion of the playground and NC Shape Goals, raise our breastfeeding friendly designation to "4 boxes" we currently have two., add NC Pre-k in 2019 to our program, and get our much deserved five-star rating.
 - The leadership team determined that it is committed to ensuring that CEC continues to remain a vital component of Long's Chapel.
- The June financial report was presented to the leadership team. Revenue through the month of June 2018 was \$687k versus \$686k in 2017. Although 2017 had one extra week of giving than what we have had in 2018. Theoretically this puts the church up \$26k for 2018.

