

Formation Day Planning Committee Meeting Thursday, Dec. 15, 2005

9AM

St. Timothy Church, Walkersville, MD

Present

Linda Lebo, Jim Schrader, April Dietrich, Marian Cochran, Chris Weber, Judy Williams.

Prayer

The meeting began with a prayer, led by Chris Weber.

Program Report

- Chris informed the group that several of the names suggested as presenters at our last meeting have been contacted but are not available (Rev. Jim Donohue, Rev. Rick Hilgartner, Sr. Mary Kate Birge).
- Discussion of Ron Witherup presenting a fundamentalism workshop, instead of one on St. Paul, to be repeated in the afternoon session.
**NOTE: During a phone conversation, 12/19/05, Chris confirmed this workshop with Fr. Witherup: "Biblical Fundamentalism: What Every Catholic Should Know."
- Contact a different presenter to do a St. Paul workshop. Jim suggested Jude Winkler, although he is difficult to book. Mike Gorman from the Ecumenical Institute was also suggested.
- Other workshop suggestions:
 - "SACRAMENTS & SCRIPTURE" – Where do the sacraments come from? Name of Marie Kordes suggested as a presenter. Perhaps have Sadlier sponsor her. Chris will contact Marie.
 - MUSIC MINISTRY WORKSHOP - Chris has met with Rick Hilgartner, Campus Chaplain at the Mount, who suggested the name of George Mueller, from Loyola College in Baltimore, as a possible music ministry workshop presenter.
Linda also suggested the name of a woman who did a music workshop at St. Timothy's in the past, Patty Amato. Linda will email Chris with the contact information.
 - "ADDICTIONS" – May be too narrow a topic. Suggested broadening topic to, "Pastoral Awareness," with Pat Fosarelli as the suggested presenter.
- Chris reported that he has spoken with Bishop Malooly, who is fine with idea of Liturgy of the Eucharist for opening of Formation Day.

Music

In lieu of Cindy Kindl's absence, group felt it better to postpone this discussion.

Miscellaneous

April reported that Benziger will provide the large, zippered, orange bags for participants. No information of obtaining sandal key chains. Marian knows someone who can make book marks – a consideration instead of sandal key chains.

Environment

- Power Point presentation using slides of cities journeyed to by Paul, and displayed chronologically, according to Paul's journeys.
 - Rename classrooms as cities Paul visited.
 - Modify campus maps for folders to resemble the Middle East of Paul's time, with names of places instead of building names and classroom numbers. Suggested "Road to Damascus" sign in Knott Auditorium lobby.
 - Group reflected on what it means to walk in the footsteps of St. Paul.
- Quotes from Paul are often meaningful, example: "In him who is the source of my strength I have strength for everything," Philippians 4:13.

Song, "Strength for the Journey" suggested. If Cindy is not familiar with this, St. Peters, Libertytown, frequently uses this song.

- Altar and tables on stage should be made to look like something Paul would have used – stones, etc.
- Signs: should have two or three self-standing signs. One for in front of Knott Auditorium building, one in front of academic center, one in front of Patriot Hall.
- Maybe have signs for either side of the stage.
- April's husband, Steve, does wood burning and could make signs.
- Don Koza (St. John's parishioner) has access to equipment for making large signs (approx. 42" x 60").
- Suggestion of interspersing names of local cities with those of Paul's – to suggest that the message Paul delivered then is still among us now.

Next Meeting

Thur., Jan. 19, 9am - St. John's, Frederick

Minutes compiled and submitted by Judy Williams.