

**ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED PASTORAL CHARGE**  
**CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**April 30, 2019.**

The regular meeting of the Congregational Life Committee was held on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at Orchard Valley United Church prior to the “Y’All Come” dinner. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. p.m.by the Chairperson, Gail Gordon.

The meeting opened with a reading by Gail, from “Single Abundance” – When Did You Feel Most Beautiful.

Those present were: Cheryl Manzer, Cheryl Sellsted, Gail Gordon, Vangé Leslie and Darlene Hennigar.

Regrets were received from Rebecca Godfrey.

The Agenda was approved.

Vangé agreed to act as secretary.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as circulated. .

**Old Business:**

The March Y’All Come supper was excellent with donations of Over \$300.00.

The car Rally date has been changed from May 18<sup>th</sup> to September 21<sup>st</sup> because of a conflict with Canucopia.

**New Business:**

**Ladybug Tea:** A discussion was held regarding holding a Ladybug tea for the kids. Because May and June are such busy months a suggested date was September 7<sup>th</sup> the first weekend of September and after the Labour Day weekend.

The next Y’All Come Supper will be held Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> The menu will be Cabbage Rolls – Cheryl M, Cheryl S. and Gail will prepare them the day before.

An English Tea is being planned for June 15<sup>th</sup>

There is also a retreat planned for June.

**Outreach Discussion:**

Following our regular meeting the idea of a “Day of Fellowship and Thanksgiving” was discussed at length. It was felt that this would be a way of welcoming new immigrants in the area to meet and mingle with members of the community and also our Church Family.

Congregational life could organize it but would need a good number of people to put it together. We felt the New Minas Civic Center would be a good venue for the event. Gail Gordon to contact Keith Irving with regard to using the Center.

Suggested names to help with this project were Vicky Austin, Krista Anderson, Mindy Tymchuk, and Judy Maxwell.

The suggested date was the Saturday of Thanksgiving Day Weekend. It was felt that it should be at the time of Thanksgiving and most people would be celebrating either Sunday or Monday.

**The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.**

**Next meeting** – will be held on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. prior to Y’All Come supper.

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Evangeline Leslie  
Acting Secretary

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Gail Gordon  
Co-Chairperson