

18th Mo. 5th 1919

September 1919
Oct. 3rd 1919

The Pastoral Committee and Meeting on Ministry & Oversight, held at the home of Richard J. White, Oct. 3rd, 1919. Sixteen members were present. In the absence of the clerk the recording clerk served for the day.

After a devotional service the minutes were read and approved.

James Carey Jr. reported by letter that the Friends Service Committee, on account of its enlarging work felt it would be a serious detriment to the work if Wilbur R. Thomas should leave the Com. at this time, and therefore they ask that we release him from his engagement to us.

John R. Cary spoke of the disappointment of not having Wilbur R. Thomas - as expected, but the disappointment had now given way to a spirit of hopefulness. He believed we might all be counted upon to take hold of the various interests of the church with new courage and enthusiasm.

He expressed the view that we have never had greater opportunity to serve our day and generation - than at the present time. He suggested that a roll be kept of the activities in which our members are engaged, and of these be made from time to time - that we may have information of the ways in which our meeting is touching community life.

It was suggested that a Congregational supper or meeting be held soon. The recording clerk was directed to send this suggestion to Jas. Carey Jr. who is chairman of a Committee to plan for a Congregational Rally.

The need of some one to act a Secretary of Baltimore Local Meeting - giving all or part of his time - giving careful study to the comparative needs of the various departments of work, and

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The Pastoral Com. and Meeting on M & O held its regular meeting. 18th mo. 13th thirteen members were present - The recording clerk being absent Margaret T. Carey was appointed clerk for the day. After a time of prayer the minutes were read and approved.

The Com. to make a list of the young people, members and attenders of the meeting, made a report which was acceptable. It was decided that ^{after} a few corrections ~~are~~ made by the Com. it be duplicated and given to the members of this meeting. It was suggested that there be a com. appointed to whom this list should be referred in order that they might endeavor to interest them in definite work for the meeting. This was approved and the appointment of the com. was left to the clerks.

The question of the development of the ministry and of those prepared for leadership was earnestly discussed. The thought was expressed that the world is open to the Friends message at this time and the call is coming for workers in many of our meetings. The call to the ministry is a deeper matter but perhaps we have not been open enough about it and have not presented the call to the ministry as urgently as we should. It was brought out that perhaps more silence in our meetings might help in bringing forward new people to the ministry. The elders were requested to confer together and take up the question of the development of new

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