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Called to order:	Bro. Ray Brown
Facilitated:	Bro. Ray Brown
New Member(s)	Sis. Cecilia Hawkins

Note Taker(s):	Sis. Karen Wright	Sis. Carol Kimble is out of town and will join by phone.
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In Attendance:	15	Bro. Ray Brown	Sis. Jessie Brown	Sis. Vivian Smith
Send to: Bro. Terry Watson		Bro. Curtis Harris	Sis. Sherian Harris	Sis. Bobbie Hutchinson
		Sis. Diane LaRue	Bro. Ron Wright	Sis. Karen Wright
		Sis. Mattie Thomas	Bro. Joseph Zeno	Sis. Sandra Edens
		Sis. Connie Bolden	Bro. James Bremby	Sis. Jessie Oliver

Opening Prayer:	Bro. James Bremby
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Theme Song:	This Little Light on Mine	Bro. Curtis Harris
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PRAYER REQUESTS		
BY:	FOR:	ABOUT:
Bro. Ron Wright	Us and family	Death of youngest brother, Dan Wright
Sis. Jessie Brown	Her	Chemo treatments, strength
Sis. Connie Bolden	Sis. Mychelle Scott	Mother's health
	Sis. Creek	Cancer again
Sis. Sandra Edens	Family:	Sister - Carrie Renee - Cancer
		Brother – JC – in hospital with heart failure
Sis. Vivian Smith	Her and family	Daughter – Christina's safety and God's protection
Bro. Curtis Harris	Him, wife, and grandchildren	
Sis. Bobbie Hutchinson	Sister - Blanch	Doctors will discover and be able to treat her blood loss
Closing Prayer:	Bro. Joseph Zeno	

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BIBLE STUDY		Bro. Ron Wright
Ecc 1:1-9	“Vanity”	King Solomon – “The Preacher of Wisdom”
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solomon realizes that his life is largely behind him • Between birth and death, we can’t see past that • He admits that the world is full of mysteries • The measure of mankind is so that we are unsure of our capabilities • Human wisdom has its limits 		
* We cannot figure out the wisdom of God; He ordered all things according to His own purpose!		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mankind has limitations as it is according to God • We need to be patient because of the life God has given us • Solomon determined that we should “FEAR GOD AND KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS” • 2 Chr 1:7-12 - God asked Solomon what he wanted...he replied, “wisdom and knowledge for himself” • 1 Kgs 4:29-34 – Solomon was the wisest man on earth • So as Solomon became ‘Preacher’, he was one who gathered and assembled who provided wise sayings and proverbs • He had it all...still ultimate emptiness • Although he had purposed in himself confidence, it didn’t mean anything 		
* He determined that our commitment to God is the only reason for life!		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solomon expected the worse possible outcome, looking back seemed meaningless • What he wrote was that all he had don’t and tried apart from God was futile 		
* All human accomplishments would 1 day disappear		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solomon tests our faith in that we should trust God alone • All good is only from God! 		
Ecc 12:13 tells us...”FEAR GOD AND KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS; THIS IS MAN’S ALL”		
Sis. Vivian Smith	This was a good lesson and a good reminder	
Bro. Ray Brown	Good lesson	
Bro. James Bremby	Good lesson	
Bro. Ron Wright	I apologize for my blunders; I am not myself tonight.	

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Sis. Connie Bolden	Presentation
I was thinking of us presenting a workshop to prepare the middle-aged members for growing older and to become caretakers for the elderly; preparing them for end of life procedures:	
<i>Caregiving</i>	<i>Grief</i>
<i>Preventative care</i>	<i>Hospice, palliative care</i>
What Bro. Brown and I discussed was using counselors and social workers in the Body of Christ	
Sis. Karen Wright	Is that from MCCC or throughout the Body?
Sis. Connie Bolden	Throughout the Body.
Sis. Jessie Brown	Do you mean in the form if a symposium?
Sis. Connie Bolden	Yes. We can decide as a group what to cover:
<i>Power of attorney</i>	<i>Grief</i>
<i>End of life care</i>	<i>Dementia</i>
<i>Diabetes</i>	<i>Cancer</i>
<i>Caregivers</i>	
Sis. Connie Bolden	Find which resources we would need.
Sis. Jessie Brown	I agree.
Bro. Ray Brown	I agree. We are lacking these options in the church. There are resources provided outside the church where it is given. We shouldn't be afraid to look like other people; we should be taking care of our own. Let's get in the forefront of it before emotions involved and we're not thinking clearly.
Sis. Bobbie Hutchinson	I agree. When my husband passed, I had to go outside to South Baptist in Pearland and they helped. We need to get things in order.
Sis. Connie Bolden	Also, caregivers, psychologists...we need to be proactive inside the Church.
Sis. Vivian Smith	Mental health...it's taboo. We need to accept it among us today. Each of us knows someone in a family which makes it hard to know how to deal with it when the person won't cooperate. We really don't know how to interact with them. For me, it was my child, and my parents weren't much help. We need to step out of our comfort zones to get help from mental health experts. We are also dealing with outside influences; not seeing things that are right under our nose.
Sis. Karen Wright	I can provide information that Bro. Ron Wright and I are using from the Highland Heights COC regarding Grief Counseling.

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Sis. Connie Bolden		Presentation cont'd
Sis. Mattie Thomas	I think it's an excellent idea. I think we should concentrate on one area at a time. Caregivers neglect themselves. The Seasoned Saints should organize and take it to the community. That would also make us more visible and to other congregations. Sometimes taking things to the Elders take forever to get approved. We need to put a plan in place for it to be successful, covering one area at a time.	
Sis. Connie Bolden	I will make a list of ideas and we can get together to decide: 1. To the Seasoned Saints 2. To the community-flyers and to COC.	
Sis. Jessie Brown	Connie, would you spearhead it?	
Sis. Connie Bolden	Yes. Sis. Mattie Thomas, would you help?	
Sis. Mattie Thomas	I have other commitments until July, and I will be traveling almost every weekend. I am available during the week.	
Sis. Connie Bolden	I'm available during the week also.	
Sis. Karen Wright	I can provide the information from Highland Heights COC. I also recommend that each of us establish a relationship with the Elders here. You never know when we may need them.	
Bro. Ray Brown	We have Bro. Terry Watson at our disposal; we work very well together.	
Sis. Mattie Thomas	I have a relationship with all of them. I suggest that we bring in professionals.	
Sis. Connie Bolden	That's why I said, "Board Certified": Bro. Michael Dangerfield, Bobbie Allen's daughter-in-law...	
Sis. Vivian Smith	Do you think the group should prioritize a list regarding which should take place in rank or higher priority and get professional support?	
Sis. Connie Bolden	We will decide which topics.	
Resolution	Sis. Vivian Smith	Could you put something together by the next meeting for us to vote on?
	Sis. Connie Bolden	Yes.

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1.	Ministry Leaders	Bro. Ray Brown	Thank everyone for the work you are doing for the Ministry.
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2.	Bible Study Committee	Bro. Ron Wright	Bro. Ray Brown
	No report tonight		

3.	Gardening Group	Sis. Jessie Brown	Bro. Ray Brown
	Sis. Jessie Brown	We meet every Tuesday at the garden site. Our next meeting is on the 12 th .	
		Present at the last meeting was Carol, Mattie, Bro. Frazier, Jessie, and Bobbie.	
	<i>Pictures</i>	We got the rows done and I purchased plants. We are in the process of making a budget to propose a grant.	
	Resolution	We have some plans in place to determine what the garden will look like.	
		<i>Pictures</i>	
		We have had more people to sign up.	
	Bro. James Bremby	Is that Stacie's dad?	
	Sis. Jessie Brown	Yes, that's Stacie's dad.	

4.	Potluck Committee	Sis. Vivian Smith	Sis. Sherian Harris
		No report tonight	
		Sis. Diane LaRue	

5.	Secretary Committee	Sis. Karen Wright	
	Sis. Karen Wright	The group voted to accept the MINUTES from Feb. 23, 2024. We will include Bro. Terry Watson in our Minutes.	

6.	Social Committee	Sis. Bobbie Hutchinson	No report tonight
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