

COMBINED WORSHIP, MEMBER NUTURE AND EDUCATION COMMITTEES

November 6, 2016

This meeting was called based on a charge by the Church Council. The purpose of the meeting was to develop ideas to bring young people (teenagers to young adults/parents up to age 35) into our congregation and to further develop ways to keep their interest in our Church.

Attendees: Melissa Brown, Mattie Verzino, Heidi Flower, Christa Zaldivar, Carol Rivard, Yountae Kim, Chris Kingsbury, Carolyn Brown, Carla Heister, Tim Krauss, Mary Rogers.

Mary Rogers led the meeting by introducing the process of brainstorming. In brainstorming, everyone should participate, there should be no criticism of any ideas as even the craziest idea may lead to a solution. Thought processes to keeping in mind when brainstorming (in order to prevent mind blocks) are:

- 1) Changing your perspective; e.g. instead of thinking of yourself as a middle-aged woman – think of yourself as a teenage boy; instead of thinking of yourself as Caucasian – think of yourself as Hispanic.
- 2) Parallels – think of what attracts a different group than those we are considering – for example – what attracts the middle-ages group.
- 3) Reverse Storming – where you think of what is keeping them from coming and coming up with ideas to battle those negatives.

Brainstorming Process is:

- 1) Define and agree on the objectives.
- 2) Brainstorm ideas and suggestions having an agreed upon time limit.
- 3) Categorize/condense/combine/refine
- 4) Assess/analyze effects or results
- 5) Prioritize options/Rank as appropriate
- 6) Agree to action and time scale
- 7) Control and monitor follow-up.

In this meeting we ended the meeting after categorizing the ideas. Our ideas are listed below by category:

CATEGORY	IDEA	For Teens ?	For Young Adults ?
Idea Gathering	Check with Asbury and other churches	Yes	Yes
	Connect with Conference – Youth Leaders and Reference Materials	Yes	Yes
	Contact Middle/High Schools/ Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts	Yes	
	Canvass Congregation	Yes	Yes
	Be Open – Ways to Listen	Yes	Yes
Get the Word Out	Open House	Yes	Yes
	Bring a Friend to PUMC – worship and events	Yes	Yes
	More Contemporary Activities	Yes	Yes
	Traveling Open House	Yes	Yes
	Block Party	Yes	
	Events	Yes	Yes
	Welcome Gifts		Yes
	Website/Signage/Advertising	Yes	Yes
Events	Child Care For Events		Yes
	Host Youth Retreat	Yes	
	Monthly child care/family activity		Yes
	Other family support		Yes
	Paint Party	Yes	
	Master Chef	Yes	Yes
	“Serving” Saturday (Mission)	Yes	
Programs	Youth Room/Group	Yes	
	Additional Sunday School Class	Yes	
	Study Center	Yes	
	Follow up on Attendance	Yes	Yes
	Youth Meeting – Back for Sermon	Yes	
	Games	Yes	
	Alternative Music	Yes	

Everyone is to further consider the ideas for our next meeting on January 8, 11:30. We will continue with the Brainstorming Process where we left off.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Rogers