

ACM Notes for Meeting Held 2/18/06 – NEXT MEETING Sat. March 18, 2006

Team –

Here are the brief notes of our meeting last Saturday. Thanks to all who attended and to Paulo, Scott, Tish and Mark for their on-going support that makes our meetings possible.

HAVE A HEART CAMPAIGN

- Cards sent out receipts already total over \$2000
- Thank you cards printed and being sent after signature by Peter Sipple
- Thanks to Tish, Mark, Peter and the Church office for supporting this campaign
- A very special THANK YOU to Margaret Welsh and Julie Williams for making the Have A Heart Campaign a reality and to all who helped!!!!

MALAWI TRIP 2006

- It was agreed that there would be no Redeemer trip to Malawi in 2006
- Jess Browning will take one of the spots at Open Arms. The second place will not be filled by Redeemer youth and will be released back to Open Arms.
- Other options would be explored, for example joining other GAIA groups going to Malawi, sponsoring a Malawi person to come to the Redeemer, building closer relationships with projects in Malawi, discuss with other Parishes to get ideas for staying close to Malawi, goats as part of liturgy
- Plenty of interest for a 2007 trip

NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS

- Margaret Shepard researched the GAIA nursing scholarships and reported that they are excellent, representing best practices in the area. See attached nursing contract.
- GAIA reported that nursing is an essential part of assisting with correcting the situation in Africa. See attached PowerPoint presentation for details.
- It was agreed that Nursing Scholarships are in line with the ACM Mission and we likely want to support them once our level of commitment / conditions were established by further dialog with GAIA and after final discussion within the ACM.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Barbara Abbott agreed to set dates for ACM related adult education.
- It was discussed that we would focus our next meeting on communications
- To be considered will be (but not limited to)
 - ACM Calendar
 - New messaging based on the evolution of our own thinking over the last 2 years
 - Voice article
 - CoR Web site
 - other churches
 - other communications tools

FUNDING

- Current balance approximately \$20,000

- Further distributions to GAIA will await the final outcome of the Nursing Scholarships discussion

NEXT MEETING

- Will be held at 9:00 a.m. Saturday March 18, 2006

- All welcome. If you have never attended an ACM meeting then please feel free to join us at any time. The ACM committee ramps up/down dynamically based on people's availability. Come once only. Come to every meeting. Stop and start as you please. Join our discussions or stay silent. It is entirely up to you. Children welcome.