

Good Samaritan Episcopal Church  
Bishop's committee Meeting  
April 9, 2016 9 am

Present: The Rev. Irene Tanabe, the Rev. JaR Pasalo, Debbie Nishihira, Lori Chun, Margaret Kitamura, Jessica Lum, Harvey Oakes, Les Hata, Myrtle Kaneshiro, and Don Botsai of Epiphany Church.

Kahu Irene opened the meeting with a prayer followed by an hour long bible study.

A summary of the recent workshop with the Rev. Eric Law followed with certain main points highlighted . They were:

- 1) Strengths and Gifts: community outreach ,people's fellowship; willingness to work with other churches, passionate young members, many "Marthas";
- 2) 2) Challenges and Struggles: church growth, parking accessibility, changing leadership and division of opinions;
- 3) Uncertain mission policies and challenge of possible closure: division of opinions and conflict resulting in decreased cohesiveness.

Bishop's Committee approved Lori Chun as check signer for the church. Debbie Nishihira will check all requests for approval.

EAM conference will be June 16 -19 in Vancouver , Canada. Debbie moved and Lori seconded to approve expenses to send Gavin Nishihira, Taylor Omuro , Melissa Morinishi and Debbie Nishihira as chaperone. Expenses are not to exceed \$7,000. Accepted.

Next meeting is May 21 at 9 am. Meeting adjourned at 11: 10 am.

Respectfully,

Myrtle Kaneshiro, Clerk