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Status of Active Visioning Committee Initiatives

Natural Church Development Survey – Pastor Craig reported that 21 of the 30 surveys distributed have been returned. Rich pointed out that the surveys sent in the mail did not have a cover letter indicating the importance of the survey and returning same in a timely manner, so some returns may be delayed. The committee decided to set the final date for the returns to be in as Sunday, August 18th. Rich will then send all returned surveys to the Natural Church Development Survey group.

Children's Book – Patty reported that both Jan and Chris have reviewed the book, *Jesus Wants All of Me* by Phil A. Smouse, and both have given their approval. Patty purchased 15 books at \$11.99 each with free shipping. The books should be here on August 15th. Discussion continued as to why September was the month chosen for *Bring a Kid to Church Month*. Reasons included: Start of the school year; Start of Sunday School classes; End of the summer months. The committee agreed to move *Bring a Kid to Church Month* to October because September was busy and it was felt that October would be a better time for focusing on the program.

Assimilating New Members – Rich wanted to remind the committee of the importance to recognize, greet and welcome new folks coming to church. Pastor Craig suggested during the greeting time, we might introduce new folks to a church member sitting near them. Rich also reminded the committee to greet new folks when you see them in the community.

New Business / Special meetings – Rich provided copies of materials received from the Annual Conference and the Natural Church Development Survey Group as possible tools to help our church grow and for congregants to become more involved with each other. Discussion about holding special meetings to expand on what was presented at the Annual Conference led to ideas about what could be covered, one being evangelism. Jay agreed to review the content of the Annual Conference to develop topics for three special meetings. Lucy agreed to help. The target date for the first meeting was suggested as Sunday, November 10th following the All Church Pot Luck. Patty suggested that we consider updating and expanding our media equipment.

Next Meeting Date & Time – Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 7:05 PM.

Calendar of Visioning Committee Event

August • Multi-church Pot Luck on the 11th	February • Pot Luck on the 9 th
September •	March •
October • Bring a Kid to Church Month	April •
November • Pot Luck on the 10 th Followed by a program from MN Annual Conference	May • Pot Luck (Date to be set)
December •	June •
January •	July •