Annual Deacon Report for 2016

For the past year, Roger Dougan, Jim Henneman, and I have served as deacons for Bethel Baptist Church. Our meetings occurred on the third Thursday of each month with both pastors. Our topics of discussion have centered around spiritual, physical and financial needs of the church.

Throughout the year, deacons approved budgets, made recommendations on membership, approved spending of funds for special requests such as Thanksgiving offering, and approved the use of the building by members or organizations that meet the qualifications for use. Two organizations that use the church are Lecom and Lund Martial Arts.

This year, deacons approved the hiring of Deb Shaw as custodian and Howie Shaw for lawn mowing and snow blowing of sidewalks.

Deacons approved the reallocation of missionary funds to the Thomases, the Morgans, and the Wimers when Ida Wells reported that she would no longer need our financial support.

Deacons also approved the purchase of a keyboard for use on Sunday mornings when the older keyboard became unrepairable.

Each year the deacons also approve the breakdown in salaries for both pastors. Each salary must be split between normal salary and housing allowance.

This year the officers of the board were Tom Gribbin as chairman, Roger Dougan as vice chairman I and Jim Henneman as secretary.

Our commitment to serving the Lord in this capacity is greatly aided by the prayers of the people of Bethel Baptist Church. Please continue to pray that we follow our Lord in the way He directs.

In Service to the King,

Tom Gribbin, Chairman