

**Minutes**  
**LifeWay Retiree Fellowship Annual Meeting and Luncheon**  
**September 8, 2017**  
**First Baptist Church, Nashville**

- 1. Time of Worship** **Alyssa Goins and Joyce Byrd**  
Alyssa Goins and Joyce Byrd led us in singing.
- 2. Opening Prayer**  
Harold Bergen led us in prayer.
- 3. Welcome** **John Gardner**  
John welcomed us and said that this is the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting. John pointed out the program with the reports.
- 4. New Retirees** **John Gardner**  
New retirees were asked to stand. They were asked to give their name and when they retired. There were five.

There are 850 retirees who live close to Nashville. We usually have between 125 and 130 who come to our meetings. There were 133 who signed up to come today.
- 5. Presidential Presentation** **Jim Harvey**  
Jim Harvey presented a plaque to John Gardner for his years of service as President. John came to BSSB/LifeWay in 1973 and retired in 2005 after 32 years.
- 6. Time of Remembrance** **David Seay**  
David called our attention to the names on the back of the program. On this list are the retirees and/or spouses who have died September, 2016 through May, 2017. He added the following names who have died since this list was compiled. Sybil Waldrop, Maurita Fletcher, Jim Taulman, Bob Dean, Mary Katherine McCain, Violet Medlin, Elizabeth Horton, John Steen, Norma Dodson (spouse) and Marsha Lowry (spouse).
- 7. Past Presidents** **John Gardner**  
John recognized the past presidents of our LifeWay Retiree Fellowship:  
Gomer Lesch, Tom Clark, Lloyd Elder, Faye Hawks, Fran Webb and Joe Stacker.
- 8. LifeWay's Presentation**  
Joe Walker, the Acting CFO/Vice President. Joe said that he had been at LifeWay for 31 years and was appointed to this position since Jerry Rhyne retired. He told us about the new building on 11<sup>th</sup> and Charlotte at Capitol View. There will be 9 floors and they will keep the address 1 LifeWay Plaza and the same zip code. There will be a Credit Union, a LifeWay Store and a 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Business on the main floor. There will be a conference room that will hold up to 600 people. The move in date is November 13, 2017.

LifeWay had a good solid financial year in 2017. 2016 they had a record year. Our retiree pension is in good shape, there was 325 million in the trust fund 10 years ago and there is 325 million in the trust fund this year. LifeWay adds to it every year and then spends from that.

Connia Nelson, the Senior Director of Human Resources said she loved the Vision And Values for LifeWay. She said to go on the Website and look at what it's like to work at LifeWay. (Faith Works Here)

Wade Stapleton from the Credit Union said that the Credit Union will be on the main floor of the new building. Phil and Wade will work out of another building where Outback used to be on Westend Avenue. There will be adequate parking at the new building for the Credit Union.

Ron Samuels from Human Resources gave an update on Retiree Open Enrollment. For those 65 and older, there will be no change. The dental and vision has no change. The HRA has no change.

A packet will be mailed out on September 25. Go to One Exchange, if you do want to make changes.

Those under 65, there will be a monthly increase and the deductibles will increase. No change in vision and dental.

There are approximately 1000 employees who will work in the new building, but only 650 will be on site on any given day. Present employees are working from anywhere and are in the building 1-3 days per week.

You can e-mail Human Resources if you have questions – [humanresources@lifeway.com](mailto:humanresources@lifeway.com). The phone number is 615.251.2345.

You can view your Pension Check on line. Human Resources can help you with that.

There will be 3 Christmas Programs this year at LifeWay in the new building. Dates not known yet.

**9. Prayer Before Lunch**

**Morlee Maynard**

Morlee Maynard, President-elect led us in prayer.  
We were dismissed to fellowship before lunch.

**10. Lunch in Fellowship Hall**

Lunch was in the Fellowship Hall. We fellowshiped until lunch was ready. We had pork loin, green beans, salad, sweet potato, roll and dessert and sweet tea.

**11. Drawing**

**John Gardner**

After lunch a drawing was held. Gift cards were handed out by the Credit Union.

**12. Addresses and E-mail addresses**

**Becky Martin**

A sheet was on each table for retirees to update their addresses and e-mail addresses. Becky asked that this be done, only if there were changes.

A framed print of John 14:6 Locations was given to each retiree as a gift.

Hopefully the meeting in April can be in the new building.

We were dismissed.