Present: Graham Loveland: Chairperson .Committee: Marc Baker, Wendy Vincent, Hannah Crewdson, Polly Barton

Graham opened the meeting in prayer

1. **Compassion Project: Embu Child Survival Unit**

* There had been some problems in contacting Mike Robbins, area co-ordinator.
* Launch date at Kea church is 6th June with Mike Robbins preaching and introducing the Child Survival project at Embu, Kenya, in both Truro and All Hallows services.
* Hannah offered to draft a piece about the project for Kea Notes and News. Sue Godfrey or Liz Rudling could be consulted about the wider work of Compassion.
* The donation of £50 and £12,450 has been sent to Compassion UK and acknowledgement of receipt given.
* Personal Kea church communication to and from Embu project would be through Compassion UK. Polly was asked to draft an initial letter of introduction telling them about our church activities.

1. **St. John’s Church**

* Marc reported that steady progress was being made on a partnership with St. John’s church, Lemon Street, under the Bishop’s Mission Order. It is situated in a prime position for evangelism among the business, families and general community.
* There is a faithful but older congregation and the PCC have a clear vision to serve the surrounding community.
* They need help to find a suitable Priest -in-charge/Associate Minister ; there has been a 2 year vacancy.
* A proposal that Kea church supports St. John’s for 3 years financially and with love and prayers by raising 2/5ths of the finances per annum ,ie. £20,000 would be more fully discussed at the May PCC meeting. It was agreed by the Missions Working Group to contribute £5,000 per annum from its funds towards this sum. This would run for 3 years from **2021-2023.**
* **The Bishop’s Mission Order** is also involved in the work of Kenwyn church and the Waterside churches ;Feock, Devoran and Perranarworthal. Applicant interviews for Priest-in-charge of the Waterside churches would occur next week.

1. **Missions Funds allocations for the remainder of 2021**

Following the expenditure to Compassion £12,500 Allocations to Wallaces, Mercy Rescue Trust, Foodbank £9,000

Earmarked allocation to St. John’s under BMO £ 5,000

Balance to dispense by Kea church Missions Working Group. **£5,000**

It was also noted we had a £370 p. a. commitment under Compassion to Steve in Peru.

Mercy Rescue Trust would come under review at the end of 2022 and Wallaces’ funding would end at the end of 2022.

After much discussion it was proposed by Graham and agreed by the committee that MWG would allocate to Barnabas Trust £1,500 Tearfund Partnership Church Scheme £1,500

Balance in hand for emergencies £2,000

**With regard to disbursement of the new allocations to Barnabas and Tearfund, it was agreed that it would be simpler to make lump sum donations of the above amounts rather than institute monthly payments which would involve extra work for the church’s finance team. Wendy would ascertain banking details for Tearfund and Hannah would enquire with Liz Rudling whether she has details for Barnabas, otherwise these will need to be obtained.**

1. **Further discussion on communication and publicity**

* We discussed our relationships with mission partners; what it looks like and whether it always needed money. Could we support other partners in prayer? Could homegroups pray for a particular partner, eg. Diana Hallett or Steve Murray?
* There were communication challenges in church. Could we have a deeper investment in a lot of partners?
* It was suggested that the MWG give quarterly updates to the church on the Mission links we have forged. Wendy proposed giving an introduction to the work of Tearfund and later short videos to be shared with homegroups and on the Kea facebook page as well as the missions section on the Kea website. Hannah offered to write a short introduction on the work of Compassion , perhaps consulting with Liz Rudling and/or Sue Godfrey.Hannah would also consult with Liz Rudling on the work of Barnabas Trust. Kay Mumford places articles on the Kea website.
* Communication issues were discussed. Marc said that there is a tendency for the weekly message to become ever longer hence it is important for the church as a whole to avoid bombarding people with so much material that they lose interest. Therefore we need to find ways to empower people to say what they are interested in, ie to enable them to opt in.

**Next meeting would be scheduled for September.**

We hope to be able to meet face to face by then for prayer and easier communication.

Meeting ended with prayer at 8.15pm