

Minutes
Executive Council Brethren Church
April 7, 2026

PRESENT: John Pitcock, Grant Showalter, Jennifer Showalter, Cindy Showalter, Pastor Stone, and Carolyn Solomon.

Meeting called to order at 6:04 PM with An opening prayer by Pastor Stone.

PASTOR'S REPORT: See attached.

OUTREACH: No report.

CONGREGATIONAL ENRICHMENT: No report

EDUCATION: No report.

PROPERTY: See attached – MSC to appoint Dorothy Dekmar as head of the Ministry of Property.

STEWARDSHIP: Review for 2025 financial records needs to be done – files are in the office – MSC to ask Mike Funkhouser to head of this review.

HOSPITALITY: We had a lovely EASTER breakfast.

MINISTRY OF SERVICE: This Ministry met and have decided to bless a person/household each month.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: MSC to make Spain the mission offering for April and Paraguay for May.

MSC to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 PM with a closing prayer by Grant Showalter.

Respectfully submitted by

Carolyn Solomon

Recording Secretary

Minutes
Executive Council Brethren Church
February 10, 2026

PRESENT: John Pitcock, Kaye Matthews, Grant Showalter, Jennifer Showalter, Martha Stone, Pastor Stone, and Dorothy Dekmar.

Meeting called to order at 6:05 with an opening prayer by Pastor Dave.

PASTOR'S REPORT: Lots of needs, Church doing good things. See attached.

OUTREACH: No report.

CONGREGATIONAL ENRICHMENT: Kaye: Entry way is much brighter and cleaner. Danny is painting outside the cottage. Martha mentioned we do not have enough ushers. Those who are doing it have been sick or out of town.

EDUCATION: No report.

PROPERTY: Supposed to have six, only have three and no one as a head. A vote was not done because there was a shortage of people to choose from. Danny McAdams has been painting the foyer and bathrooms. He is also painting the outside of the cottage. Poster for roof fund will be made by Jennifer. \$145,000 needed. Martha will get with Jennifer.

STEWARDSHIP: Two recommendations for missionary options. Argentina and Puerto Maldonado. Motion for February and March. Unanimously passed.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Tracking the roof money. Mission gifts added to the bulletin. Charitable contribution receipt letters were sent. Doing good for the year so far.

TREASURER'S REPORT: See attached. All outstanding bills paid and tax collector bills.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. One of the teachers at Agape School, Dawn, wants to rent the fellowship hall on Saturday November 14th for a one day Christians Women's Conference. A custodial fee \$150.00 motion passed and carried unanimously. A donation will be requested. Dave will get more information.

MSC to adjourn the meeting at 6:30.

Closing prayer by Grant Showalter.

Respectfully submitted by

Dorothy Dekmar

Assistant Recording Secretary

Pastor's Report

First Brethren Church of Sarasota

Executive Council

April 2025

Report on February/March

- The Easter service was planned with special music.

Goals for April/May

- Small group series on Emmaus Bible Study.
- Help with planning for camp in June.

Weekly Activities February/March

- Sunday worship practice at 8:30 A.M.
- Children Sunday school class helper.
- Build presentation slides for worship.
- Sunday 10:00 A.M. worship & live stream.
- Nightly 7:00 online devotional on Facebook and YouTube.
- Agape School chapel.
- Youth meeting on Wednesday afternoon.
- Wednesday Bible Study in-person and on Facebook Live.
- Maintain church web site.
- Hospital and other visits.

Non-weekly Activities Feb/March

- Attended Brethren pastor symposium in Ashland, Ohio.
- Executive Council.
- Showfolks Circus Club prayer.
- Agape School board meeting (2).
- Replaced two LED light tubes.
- Showfolks Circus Club dinner prayer (2).
- Three-fold holy communion.

Membership changes

- No changes.

Vacation/sick days

- One week of vacation in March.

Comments

February and March were fairly typical months in the life of the church with a few special events.

This was good because it allowed me to take a week off and help my daughter and her family move from Arizona. I attended the Brethren Pastor Symposium in Ashland, Ohio in February. (Not the best time to go to Ohio). We had the Palm Sunday Communion celebration. I made a lot of hospital visits for many different people as well.

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor David

New Business

- Mission offering for April/May.
 - Spain
 - Paraguay
- Appoint new member(s) to Property.

Minutes for Ministry of Property Meeting

Sunday April 5, 2026

Members in attendance were Grant, Dorothy, Todd, and Josh.

The meeting was called the order.

Dorothy was nominated and voted in as head of the ministry of Property MSP

Grant was nominated and voted in as secretary of ministry of Property MSP

Respectfully submitted,

Grant Showalter.

Financial Secretary Report

Offering budget/month: \$16,225.00

February 2026

Fund Source

Evan & Claire	\$60.00
<i>Offering</i>	\$60.00
General	\$33,932.60
<i>Loan Payment</i>	\$5,000.00
<i>MNMG</i>	\$400.00
<i>Offering</i>	\$14,304.55
<i>Play&Grow</i>	\$3,101.05
<i>Rent Agape</i>	\$11,127.00
Missions	\$205.00
<i>Offering</i>	\$205.00
Roof	\$608.00
<i>Offering</i>	\$608.00

March 2026

Fund Source

Evan & Claire	\$20.00
<i>Offering</i>	\$20.00
General	\$18,716.00
<i>MNMG</i>	\$400.00
<i>Offering</i>	\$14,914.95
<i>Play&Grow</i>	\$3,101.05
<i>Wed AA Beg.</i>	\$300.00
Missions	\$687.00
<i>Offering</i>	\$687.00
Pastor Supp.	\$2,400.00
<i>Offering</i>	\$2,400.00
Roof	\$1,100.00
<i>Offering</i>	\$1,100.00

Sarasota First Brethren Church	
March 31, 2026	BALANCE SHEET
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CURRENT ASSETS	
Checking/Savings	
Everence FCU	
EFCU - Unrestricted	\$17,167
EFCU - Special	\$37,508
TOTAL Everence FCU	\$54,675
EFCU - Capital Savings	\$3
EFCU - Peru Savings	\$25
TOTAL Checking/Savings	\$34,703

Sarasota First Brethren Church	
March 31, 2026	SPECIALS BALANCE
SPECIAL INCOME	
Deacon Fund	\$3,866
CIA	\$350
Youth	\$2,595
Agape School Lunches	\$0
Holiday Flowers	\$61
Outreach	\$0
Resurrection House	\$0
Missions - Clarie & Evan	\$80
Building Improvement /Roof	\$12,976
Handyman Services	\$150
Kitchen Improvement	\$304
Milton Recovery	\$7,478
Memorials	\$7,148
PJH Scholarship	\$2,500
TOTAL SPECIAL INCOME	\$37,508

OUTSTANDING BILLS		MEMO	Amount
DATE	NAME		
4/1/26	Rev. David Stone		\$2,875
4/1/26	Kayla Stone		\$1,200
TOTAL			\$4,075

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INCOME REPORT

				Should be as of report date:	Should be:	
				25.0%	100.0%	
	Year Budget	RECEIVED this YEAR	(\$) Yet to Receive this Year \$ RECEIVED Over Budget	% of Budget for the YEAR	Received this MONTH	% of Budget for the MONTH
Offering General	\$194,700	\$64,281	(\$130,419)	33.0%	\$14,257	87.9%
Other General						
Community Meetings	\$9,000	\$1,500	(\$7,500)	16.7%	\$700	93.3%
Agape Academy	\$40,000	\$16,127	(\$23,873)	40.3%	\$0	0.0%
A Office Building 2435 lg	\$37,500	\$9,303	(\$28,197)	24.8%	\$3,101	99.2%
TOTAL Other General	\$86,500	\$26,930	(\$59,570)	31.1%	\$3,801	52.7%
Benevolence						
Missions	\$10,000	\$1,212	(\$8,788)	12.1%	\$687	82.4%
Total Benevolence	\$10,000	\$1,212	(\$8,788)	12.1%	\$687	82.4%
TOTAL INCOME	\$291,200	\$92,423	(\$198,777)	31.7%	\$18,745	77.2%

Other Income		
Special Income	\$6,613	\$3,520

SPENDING REPORT

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				Should be as of report date:	Should be:	
				25.0%	SPENT this MONTH	100%
				% of Budget for the YEAR		% of Budget for the MONTH
				(\$) Yet to SPEND this Year		
				\$ SPENT Over Budget		
Year Budget	SPENT this YEAR					
SR Pastor						
Base Salary	\$24,705	\$6,176		(\$18,529)	\$2,059	100.0%
Housing	\$50,000	\$12,500		(\$37,500)	\$4,167	100.0%
Health Savings	\$4,600	\$1,150		(\$3,450)	\$1,150	300.0%
Retirement	\$4,785	\$0		(\$4,785)	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL SR Pastor	\$84,090	\$19,826		(\$64,264)	\$7,375	105.3%
Custodian						
Custodian Salary	\$30,000	\$6,594		(\$23,406)	\$1,454	58.1%
TOTAL Custodian	\$30,000	\$6,594		(\$23,406)	\$1,454	58.1%
Extended Expense						
Conf Exp Pastor	\$2,400	\$2,927		\$527	\$2,506	1253.0%
Honorarium	\$750	\$0		(\$750)	\$0	0.0%
Ministry Expense	\$100	\$0		(\$100)	\$0	0.0%
Med Insurance	\$13,000	\$4,692		(\$8,308)	\$2,346	216.6%
TOTAL Extended Expense	\$16,250	\$7,619		(\$8,631)	\$4,852	358.3%
Social Security/FBC						
SS Sr. Pastor	\$5,715	\$1,429		(\$4,286)	\$476	100.0%
SS Custodian	\$2,295	\$616		(\$1,679)	\$171	89.3%
TOTAL Social Security/FBC	\$8,010	\$2,044		(\$5,966)	\$647	96.9%
Office Expense	\$1,500	\$137		(\$1,363)	\$0	0.0%
Service	\$400	\$0		(\$400)	\$0	0.0%
Stewardship	\$800	\$243		(\$557)	\$114	171.1%
Outreach	\$10,000	\$150		(\$9,850)	\$0	0.0%

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SPENDING REPORT

	Year Budget	SPENT this YEAR	(\$) Yet to SPEND this Year	Should be as of report date: 25.0%		Should be: 100%
				% of Budget for the YEAR	SPENT this MONTH	% of Budget for the MONTH
Hospitality	\$600	\$0	(\$600)	0.0%	\$0	0.0%
Congregational Enrichment	\$2,100	\$514	(\$1,586)	24.5%	\$150	85.7%
Education						
Education General	\$1,500	\$214	(\$1,286)	14.3%	\$0	0.0%
Education Youth	\$500	\$0	(\$500)	0.0%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL Education	\$2,000	\$214	(\$1,786)	10.7%	\$0	0.0%
Property						
P Insurance	\$16,000	\$6,025	(\$9,975)	37.7%	\$0	0.0%
Taxes & Assessments	\$6,500	\$6,960	\$460	107.1%	\$0	0.0%
P General	\$56,500	\$13,926	(\$42,574)	24.6%	\$3,604	76.5%
TOTAL Property	\$79,000	\$26,910	(\$52,090)	34.1%	\$3,604	54.7%
Utilities						
Water	\$7,500	\$1,644	(\$5,856)	21.9%	\$506	80.9%
Electricity	\$17,000	\$3,946	(\$13,054)	23.2%	\$1,270	89.6%
Telephone	\$4,000	\$980	(\$3,020)	24.5%	\$327	98.0%
Fire Alarm	\$1,500	\$1,586	\$86	105.7%	\$1,125	900.0%
Waste Services	\$450	\$87	(\$363)	19.3%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL Utilities	\$30,450	\$8,244	(\$22,206)	27.1%	\$3,227	127.2%
Benevolences						
Deacon Fund	\$6,000	\$150	(\$5,850)	2.5%	\$0	0.0%
Missions	\$10,000	\$1,212	(\$8,788)	12.1%	\$687	82.4%
Brethren Church National	\$2,000	\$500	(\$1,500)	25.0%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL Benevolences	\$18,000	\$1,862	(\$16,138)	10.3%	\$687	45.8%
Rental Expense						
R Taxes	\$8,000	\$8,406	\$406	105.1%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL Rental Expense	\$8,000	\$8,406	\$406	105.1%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$291,200	\$82,764	(\$208,436)	28.4%	\$22,110	91.1%