



Miami-Dade County Office of Community Advocacy

Location – Stephen P. Clark Center – 111 NW 1st St. Miami, FL 33128 – Room 18-03

AUGUST 14TH, 2025 MEETING

MINUTES

1. Call to Order at 2:07

2. Roll Call

Present

Pastor Donald Clarke Jr. (Vice-Chair) [Presided the meeting]
Rev. Dr. Kay Williams-Dawson (2nd Vice-Chair) [Co-presided the meeting]
Pastor Stephen Alessi
Harold Foster
Pastor Eddy Gervais
Father Elvis Gonzalez
Emmanuel Jimmy Loiseau
Pastor Conrad Molleda
Pastor Marc Mortensen
Lieutenant Alex Trinchet
Dr. Kendall Turcios

Excused

Rabbi MarK Rosenberg (Chair)
Dr. Juan Barek
Rabbi Avrohom Brashevitzky
Phillip Davis Jr.
Rabbi Robyn Fisher
Rabbi Daniel Hadar
Olga Hernandez
Father Patrick O'Neil
Rev. Evelio Vilches

Guests

Luis Ferrer (Guest speaker)
Vanessa Azzam & Betty Hermida (Guest speakers)
Laura Morilla
Elizabeth Regalado

Ursala Price
Claude St Gerard

3. Invocation

- Vice-Chair Pastor Clarke Jr. thanked everybody in the room for participating to the meeting and invited 2nd Vice-Chair Reverend Williams-Dawson to do the invocation.
Rev. Dr. Kay Williams-Dawson thanked GOD for allowing the Board Members to gather one more time and for giving them the opportunity to serve and be a blessing for the community. She concluded by asking GOD to bless our community.

4. Opening

- Vice-Chair Clarke opened the floor to the public for their reasonable opportunity to be heard.
- Elizabeth Regalado, Program Director for Domestic Violence Oversight Board, introduced herself as a member of the community and a staff member of the Office of Community Advocacy. She explained that she just wanted to leave some flyers for an event that her board is holding in October in observance of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and that she's very happy that Pastor Clark is going to be joining their roundtable discussion after the film screening. She added that she knows Mr. Trinchet from serving on a roundtable that they had during National Crime Victims week, so she hopes that the two boards can work together collaboratively in the future on domestic violence as faith and the Church have a very important role in those cases. She finished by thanking the Board and said she will leave the flyers for its Members.
- 2nd Vice-Chair Rev. Williams-Dawson then ask if there was anybody else in the public who wanted to have the floor; No one requested to speak from the public.

5. Vote to approve the meeting Agenda

- 2nd Vice-Chair Rev. Williams-Dawson asked for a motion and a second to approve the August 14th meeting agenda
- Pastor Gervais made the motion to approve the agenda
- Dr. Turcios seconded the motion
- The Agenda was voted on and approved unanimously.

6. Guest speaker Luigi Ferrer

- 2nd Vice-Chair Rev. Williams-Dawson then invited the first Guest Speaker to take the floor.
- Mr. Ferrer introduced himself as the Health Education supervisor at the Florida Department of Health here in Miami, Dade County, and said that he wanted to talk to the Board about National Faith HIV Awareness Day.
He then went on and explained that it's a day dedicated to raising awareness around HIV and enlisting the support of communities of faith in doing this work. From the beginning of the epidemic, houses of faith have played a pivotal role in taking care of people that were dying from HIV, supporting people that were living with HIV, and engaging in HIV prevention. And it has really been a great partnership. He hoped this was not news to any of the Board Members and stated that Miami Dade County has had the highest rate of HIV transmission in the country for the past 12 years. So it's something that affects all congregations, and it's something that we should take advantage of the fact that there is a faith HIV AIDS Awareness Day to bring the message of awareness.

He then added that he was going to share some resources with the Board:

A lot of people use HIV and AIDS interchangeably, and they're not the same. So it's important to know that HIV is a virus that can cause AIDS, and that AIDS is the end stage of HIV disease, if left untreated. But the good news is that nowadays, nobody needs to get to that end stage. There are now many well tolerated, highly effective combination therapy that can prevent people from progressing to AIDS, and prevent transmission to others, because when people are taking their medication the way they're supposed to, and they achieve an undetectable status, they are incapable of transmitting the disease to other people. So that's why it's so important to raise awareness. He added that they diagnose people early, they get them on treatment, get them to be undetectable, because that's how they're going to get to the end of the epidemic. When people living with HIV can no longer transmit the infection. That's a win for all of us. Then he gave some basic facts about HIV here in Miami Dade County: yearly, there are about 11,100 new HIV infections diagnosed which is the highest rate of HIV transmission in the country. About 26% of new AIDS HIV cases are among the African American community. They represent 13% of the population. There's something wrong there. And he added that we need to do more because about 67% of new cases are among Hispanics, and 70% of new AIDS HIV cases are among men who have sex with men. In addition to effective treatment, he said that they also have new HIV prevention tools. "We have pre-exposure prophylaxis that's taking HIV medications before you come into contact with the virus to prevent infection. And we also have post exposure prophylaxis, so even after being exposed to HIV, there is something you can do to prevent that exposure from becoming a lifelong infection". He then added that these are current HIV prevention messages that Religious Leaders from the Board should share with their congregants. Everybody should know their HIV status and get tested. He said that if you're sexually active, you should get tested at least once a year, and if you're really active, then maybe a little bit more often like every three months. He continued and said that everybody should learn how HIV is transmitted and how to prevent it and how to get treated if you're positive, because it's no longer Oh my god, this is horrible, this is a disaster. Now, HIV infection is a manageable chronic condition, because HIV treatment works. HIV treatment can lead to a long, healthy life and prevent transmission to others. And that's the most important part. He then spoke about PTRC which is a health department initiative called test and treat rapid access to care. He said that they want people to initiate treatment within seven days of diagnosis, because they know that people who initiate treatment early do a better job at integrating HIV treatment into their daily routine and have better long-term outcomes. Then he reminded Board Members about some resources that he put on the handout and also different resources for worship services. He presented also a CDC video that's a short five minute HIV 101, that would be great to show in a church group after the service. He then volunteered if any of the Board Members wanted to hold a service around national faith HIV AIDS Awareness Day, which this year was on August 24.

He apologized for the short notice and proposed to bring a health educator to speak to congregants, perhaps do a workshop and added they could set up an outreach table in the back of the sanctuary or in the fellowship hall or bring mobile testing unit and provide HIV testing for congregants after a service when HIV is spoken about.

He then mentioned December 1, which is World AIDS Day and explained that it's a real busy day during which they get a lot of requests. So, for requests around that time, he suggested that they let him know well in advance. He continued and mentioned also the National Week of Prayer during March.

- Lieutenant Trinchet thanked Mr. Ferrer for his presentation on a topic he deems so important “that it hits home in so many different areas”. He continued and explained that from the fire department side, as a paramedic, he ran many calls on individuals with HIV and AIDS and has seen the effects on the body and on the mind. As a licensed counselor and a chaplain, he also provided counseling to firefighters that have gotten HIV because of a patient. And then on a personal note, he thanked Mr. Ferrer again because his cousin died in the 80s because of aids before the medical advancements that we have now. He then asked the following question: “What does Florida Department of Health do? Like, specifically for the individual? Like, if someone would call Florida Department Health, besides education, you know, any type of, like, specific counseling or resources individually for that individual?”
- Mr. Ferrer answered that they do one-on-one counseling on the phone for people seeking HIV information if people want to take an HIV 101, to get sort of the basic information how HIV is transmitted, how it's not transmitted, what people can do to protect themselves. He added that they can provide that individually or as a group presentation And they have a form on their website testmiami.org where people can go to request their services. They also distribute condoms to people and can connect them with HIV prevention programs if they need a little bit more in depth services in that regard. And they have about 24 or so not for profit partners that help the health department do our work like the Borinquen clinic and care resource and all those federally qualified health centers that help them do the work here in Miami.
- Pastor Mortensen thanked Mr. Ferrer for his support and work with the Department of Health and asked him how long he has been working there.
- Mr. Ferrer replied that he’s a newbie at the Florida Department of Health, but he has been doing HIV prevention in Miami-Dade County for over 35 years.
- Pastor Mortensen added that’s it's alarming to hear the county has been in that same top spot for 12 years and asked if there was any way they could get themselves out there.
- Mr. Ferrer replied that it takes political will. Because looking at other cities that were number one like New York, San Francisco, which dropped not just out of the top 10, but out of the top 50, it means that it can be done. It takes being brave. The fact that we’re in the jurisdiction with the highest rates of HIV transmission in the country and have no sex EDS happening in our schools is a huge contributing factor.
- Pastor Mortensen thanked him again for his presentation.
- Mr. Ferrer added that Nobody is better positioned to raise awareness and to educate the public, and... faith readers: “You guys have a voice, you're influential. If you show that you care about this, I remember many years ago, we did an event with Reverend Jesse Jackson in Liberty City, where all the pastors present took an HIV test to show their congregates that there was nothing to be afraid of.
- Mr. Harold Foster asked Mr. Ferrer if there was any medication for people who are careless
- Mr. Ferrer replied that he spoke about it: there’s an HIV vaccine that’s only 36% effective. But he said that people with no HIV can actually take the HIV medication which is 99% effective and is only one pill a day with very little side effects, or two shots every six months.
- Vice-Chair Pastor Clarke concluded by saying that congregations are effective and he thinks a workshop should be organized.

7. Guest speakers Vanessa Azzam & Mrs. Betty Hermida

- 2nd Vice-Chair Rev. Williams-Dawson invited the next speakers to take the floor.
- Mrs. Vanessa Azzam introduced herself as the Program Director of the Elder Affairs Advisory Board and Mrs. Hermida as the 2nd Vice-Chair of the Board.
- They explained that they came before the Board to present the Older Adult Resource Guide that was created with the purpose of assisting our older adults community. It includes everything from where to call for housing, the different insurance plans that they may have, golden passport, all of the essential and a lot of non essential services. They have the digital and hard copies of the guide in English and Spanish are currently working on the Creole version.
- Pastor Alessi asked if they have information on where to get the digital copy of the guide
- Mrs. Azzam answered that it can be found on the Miami-Dade County's website
- Director Laura Morilla intervened to explain that the Elder Affairs Advisory Board is one of the IAB's sister boards in the Office of Community Advocacy, and that there's a PDF form available for the guide which will be sent to Program Director Alex Jospitre who will share it with the IAB Members.
- Mrs. Hermida presented hard copies of the guide which were distributed to the Board and Public Members present. She explained that they were produced with the sensible mindset that older adults have trouble reading
- Pastor Molleda asked the old adults were aware that there are food assistance places that can provide for them; because his church has a weekly food distribution and they get a lot of adults that are struggling with food needs and assistance.
- Vanessa agreed that this is an issue and said that this was the second thing they wanted to ask the Board about which is a collaboration with its Members to come close to the faith-based locations where seniors gathers because they would like to go there, list them, hear them so they could prepare special presentations for them, for any need they can have. It could be about health, about public transportation...
- Mrs. Hermida then explained that they hold the Elder Affairs Advisory Board meeting at a senior center every other month. She also said that certain communities prioritize a need over the other, so they'd like to hear about that, and perhaps take one of the departments back to do a presentation or assist whatever services are most crucial at that moment.
- Pastor Molleda told the speakers that they are welcome to come to his Church. He added that his church is getting between 200 to 250 households and that a lot of them start breaking out in tears when they see if they're getting a pack of food. "They tell us, Pastor, I don't know where my next food was gonna come from; They're struggling financially".
- Vice-Chair Pastor Clarke thanked the two speakers.

8. Vote to approve the April, May and June Minutes

- Vice-Chair Pastor Clarke Jr. asked for a motion to approve the Minutes for April, May and June 2025 meetings
- Dr. Turcios made the motion to approve the minutes for April, May and June 2025
- Pastor Loiseau seconded the motion
- The Minutes for April, May and June were voted on and approved unanimously.

9. Old Business

Update for the IAB following immigration discussions during our June meeting

- 2nd Vice-Chair Rev. Williams-Dawson read the update: "....."and asked Members if they wanted to discuss the update in question.
- Pastor Gervais said, as a Haitian Pastor, immigration is definitely still a hot topic for our county, and especially among our people. He added that Pastor Jimmy could attest to that since his Church has been very pivotal at grabbing the calling of the Haitian Diaspora coming together to see how to help out and deal with this as a legal issue. He continued about Haiti instability and pointed out that most media outlets were discussing about the bounty US Government put on one of the several gangs leaders in Haiti. He then stated that even the February deadline is not sufficient. He believes that until an elected government is put in power instead of just installing people there will still be uncertainty; the People of Haiti will always think that they are not part of the plan and that the US Government is involved. Pastor Gervais then said that he wanted to go on the record and that they definitely need to address this in the faith community. He stated he was going to address it the following Sunday in his church. He thanked Pastor Jimmy Loiseau and Bishop Gregory Tucson of Tabernacle of Glory for spearheading and helping out and try to see how they can legally deal with this situation and how to deal with it as faith leaders.
- Pastor Jimmy Loiseau thanked Pastor Gervais and said Pastor Eddie said a lot of it already. He explained that his Church is not only with faith leaders, but also with civic organizations. They are planning on meeting, hopefully to present a case before the administration and ask to extend TPS for another 18 months until there is stability in Haiti. He added that in he news conference, Judge Janet's comment contradicts what the State Department have said : it's either the country is getting better, it's not so. So there's a contradiction with the actual report. He also added that his Church is working also with different advocacy group, lawyers, immigration lawyers, and with Representative Salazar. Pastor Loiseau also reminded that right now their biggest thing is educating, because there's a lot of misconception and very little education. According to him, many organizations are helping with educating people of what to do but that's the problem. His Church wants to have one central message and a way to do things that's concise and that's clear, and that's 123. He announced that the document to help churches how to deal with officers of law enforcement coming to their to their places of worship is completed and that he will share it with the IAB Member through Program Director Alex Jospitre. He explained it took long because they wanted to make sure, from a law enforcement perspective, they were not doing anything that would impede or show that they are not being compliant which could endanger many of churches with the 501, c3, status.
- Pastor Gervais then painted a picture some heart wrenching cases he had to personally deal with: "last year, got a call from a woman who's taking care of one of the adopted kids we're supporting. Her sister going to the store, the only caretaker for her mother, she was caught in a gang have a shootout and got shot in the head. So now the elderly mother has no caretaker. So now we had to come up with funds to get her out of Haiti so she could go to Brazil to even have a life, leaving her brand new husband and her newborn and the son that we're taking care of to go to Brazil, only for the mother to die in Brazil. Two months ago, I get a call from the caretaker of my parents, family member, yelling hysterically. Please pray, Pastor, please pray. I said, what's going on? She said, My son just called me and I'm hearing gunshots in the background. Gangs were shooting at the school where her son was, and she's hearing the shots on the phone while her son is ducking, wondering if her son is dead or not. Then the phone died. She gets a call back. He finally escaped by jumping on a motor taxi bike. But in order for him to get to the motor taxi bike, he had to jump dead bodies that was in front of the schools; And now that same 50-year-old lady, after leaving all these nightmares, is now hiding under her bed because she thought it was ICE coming to get her

when she saw police investigating a domestic violence next door.” Pastor Gervais then concluded by reminding that this is the emotional trauma and stress of people who've left family members back in Haiti and now they're saying it's okay for them to go back to this country which at this time is on a travel ban list.

- Vice-Chair Pastor Clarke said that it was important to get the information from Pastor Joseph Loiseau before thanking him and Pastor Gervais for informing the Board on this sensitive topic.

Supernatural Conference hosted by Tabernacle of Glory from July 17th to 20th 2025.

- Pastor Loiseau said his Church had a great turnout and it was wonderful conference. He wished to publicly thank the Miami Police which provide security for the event
- Pastor Gervais asked about the number of participants for the three days
- Pastor Loiseau answered eleven thousand people participated

10. New Business

Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Training Course : Health Emergency Lifer Protection (HELP).

- Vice-Chair Pastor Clarke thanked Pastor Loiseau again before handing the floor to Lieutenant Trinchet for the presentation of the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Training Course : Health Emergency Lifer Protection (HELP).
- Lieutenant Trinchet started his presentation explaining that HELP teaches basic lifesaving skills on the medical side of things like early stroke recognition, stop a bleeding, substance abuse, CPR AED training for adults, children and infants. It is free, and open to the community and organizations. He explained that this department has gone into churches, synagogues, mosques, to be able to teach basic medical aspects. He also said it is available to whoever would be interested in providing a two-hour training course for their staff and offered to pass a flyer to the Board Members which indicates how to get a hold of them.
- Pastor Alessi asked Lieutenant Trinchet who he believed should receive such training in a Church
- Lieutenant Trinchet indicated that it could be his ushers, his staff or anybody in the eventuality that something happens like an emergency during service or any other day while the Pastor is not around. He then thanked Vice-Chair Pastor Clarke for his presentation time.

IRS says Religious Institutions can now endorse political candidates

- Vice-Chair presented the topic and asked Board Members any sentiments and/or opinions they may have on it.
- Pastor Alessi said that he thought that it goes in line with our belief system because most leaders choose to express their support to their political leader publicly.
- Mr. Harold Foster indicated that this has been going on for a long time in various congregations.
- Pastor Alessi replied that just because we can doesn't mean that we should, because religious leaders do represent both sides of our communities when it comes to politics. He added that he would never want to personally, it's not his practice to ever want to create a divide. People have it in their families. The last place he personally wants them to experience that divide is when they come through the doors of the churches. So he tries to be very sensitive when it comes to as a pastor, making a statement of support for any political party or platform or candidate. He then finished by saying that he was pastoring before those who became mayors got elected and that he will be the pastor Long after they're no longer mayors.
- Pastor Loiseau, to piggyback on what Pastor Alessi just said, indicated that in his Church they invite candidates on both sides and do interviews with them so they can educate congregants and allow them to make the best choice that they believe it the right one.

And for that, he indicated his church, and his congregation remain always at the center. He thinks they serve their communities better that way, instead of being known as for a particular political group.

- Lieutenant Trinchet agreed with both Pastor Alessi and Pastor Loiseau not only from a church type setting but also from this Board setting which has been around for a while under almost three to four mayors. He indicated that although the mayor has changed, and the commissioners have changed, but the spirit of what this is all about has carried through.
- For Dr. Turcios, even though the IRS allowed this provision, it may not be the wisest rule. He explained that he has conservatives and progressive that sit in his congregation, and he would receive messages from his congregants telling him that they though he was leaning one way or the other. So, for him it is a mixed bag, and he thinks the responsibility of a religious leader is to carry the banner of the cross.
- Pastor Molleda continued and said that one of the things he tries to teach is not to create division and instead proclaim unity; It is to learn what the Scripture tells us, and vote our Godly principle: to stand on unrighteousness, defending the oppressed. He said that he doesn't take sides and ask his congregants to vote the way GOD is telling them to do so.
- Vice-Chair Pastor Clarke think that at the end of the day it is the Pastor's discretion and concluded by stating he agrees with Dr. Turcios, and they have to use discernment especially in these times as we navigate through.

Miami Archbishop rode his bike with the Catholic Bikers to Alligator Alcatraz.

- Vice-Chair Pastor Clarke read the topic: 'On July 20, 2025, Archbishop Thomas Wenski stopped by the State's Everglades detention center for migrants during a Sunday motorcycle ride with other Catholic bikers and prayed a rosary for the detainees at the entrance of the facility since they were not allowed in. However, after weeks of negotiations, the Archbishop's request to provide for the pastoral care of the detainees and the detention center's Staff was accommodated by State Correctional Authorities. And even musicians and support Staff can now be brought to enhance the catholic services. The first mass was held on August 2nd, and invited the Board Members to share their thoughts on it.
- Pastor Gervais jokingly said that he didn't know the Archbishop had a horse with a leather jacket in reference to his motorcycle. He added that he appreciates the Archbishop especially that he helped Haitians in the 70s and that his creole is impeccable.
- Vice Chair Pastor Clarke said it is controversial for him to have detainees on an island surrounded by alligators and that a lot of people think it is inhumane
- Father Gonzalez indicated he was part of the group which initiated the negotiations and that they didn't know who was in charge; so it took a lot of efforts, communicating with people, emails, calling and reaching out to all political leaders, until finally, his Bishop decided to ride his motorcycle and show up there. He was not allowed to go in. But a few weeks later, after finding the person in charge, they were allowed in. He believes it was an issue between the State and ICE. At the end they were grateful they were allowed in.
- Mr. Harol Foster asked if there were Chaplains on call at the facility
- Father Gonzalez replied yes, according to information they received, there are tow employees at the facility. And he added that him and his colleagues go there once a week.
- Mr. Foster asked if Father Gonzalez knew of any statistics for people being deported for the facility
- Father Gonzalez replied that he didn't have such information.

- Pastor Alessi asks how could they as Pastors get access to the facility as well for services or bible study
- Father Gonzalez replied that despite being challenging because of security, it was something they could explore.
- Director Morilla intervened to confirm that someone from the Florida Department of Emergency Management was in charge of the facility and that's who they should get in touch with if other religious leaders other than those of the Catholic Church wanted to visit Alligator Alcatraz as well.

Interfaith dialogue series at Florida retirement home

- Program Director Alex Jospitre gave a brief presentation of this topic which was really an informative one for the Board: 'Rabbi Ralph Kingsley and Reverend Priscilla Felisky Whitehead, both residents of the Florida retirement home VI at Aventura with deep roots in South Florida faith community began talking about topics like GOD, religion and politics, and it was the premises for a new conversation series at the South Florida retirement community.'

11. Ongoing Business / Follow up

Proposition of statement from the Interfaith Advisory Board concerning the partial demolition of the Brickell First Miami Presbyterian Church

- When 2nd Vice-Chair William-Dawson asked about this topic, Program Director Alex Jospitre explained that it was entered by Father O'Neil and never got a chance to be discussed by the Board. He also added that after so long, he didn't believe it to be relevant still because maybe the demolition were already processed. reminded Board Members to complete and send their 2025 Financial Disclosure Form by July 1st as required.
- 2nd Vice-Chair William-Dawson then asked if anybody else had information of the topic.
- Pastor Molleda replied that he heard about it months earlier but never heard anything about it since.
- Program Director Jospitre explained that it was an initiative of the Church itself which would still exist but on a smaller surface.

12. Special Business / Hot Topics

Higher number of mass shootings in the US in July 2025 compared to July 2024:

- After 2nd Vice Chair Pastor William-Dawson read the following information about this topic: 'During the month of July 2025 there were 59 mass shootings in the US in only 18 days which made 309 victims, among them 53 dead, she opened the floor for thoughts and sentiments
- Vice-Chair Clarke believes that more awareness should be brought about people with mental illness having access to guns. He said there's not a lot they can do as a small group but they can provide education to our community.
- Pastor Gervais said he would like to see how many of these mass shootings were actually due to mental illnesses which, according to him, is increasing. He added his wife runs an organization with 8 therapists that are able to give free therapy sessions thanks to a grant from the County.
- 2nd Vice-Chair Rev. William Dawson stated that as licensed therapist she wanted to say for the record that hate is not mental illness and the Interfaith Community should demonstrate what love looks like versus the hate that we hear, we're being fed every day and that's being spewed out, the divisive messages that are rooted in hate...

13. Announcement

Member updates : Welcome back to Dr. Juan Barek

- 2nd Vice-Chair William-Dawson started the announcement with Member Updates during which she welcomed back Dr. Juan Barek who unfortunately had to cancel at the very last minute

- Pastor Aless said that it's because he is now involved with the National Day of Prayer

New Instagram, Facebook and X (former twitter) accounts for the Interfaith Advisory Board

- Program Director Alex Jospitre presented the X and Instagram accounts of the IAB and explained he could not open a Facebook account
- Director Morilla advised Board Members to send their information to Program Director Alex, Jospitre for posting purposes because the county has said that they'd rather have staff do all the postings in order to have some sort of monitoring given that it is a county account and you can't just post anything on it.

Our Chair has been chosen to lead the newly formed Execution Management Team at the Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office (MDSO)

- Director Morilla explained that Chair-Rabbi Rosenberg was not working for the Sheriff's office but was instead a high-ranking advisor to the new Sheriff leading her Execution Management Team .
- Pastor Alessi warmly congratulated Program Director Alex Jospitre of his tremendous, inclusive job as the new IAB Program Director.
- Pastor Alessi then asked about the quantity of Boards in the County and the number of employees assigned to those Board in the midst of the budget cut that has been rumored.
- Director Morilla replied that the county has 90 different boards with only 12 in the Office of Community Advocacy which were managed each by a Program Officer besides the Commission for Women Board and the Social and Economic Development Council which shared the same and unique staff.
- Pastor Alessi concluded by sending a recorded prayer to Mayor Cava: "Mayor together as this cell phone just sweeps this table, your interfaith board is praying that the Lord will give you the wisdom of Solomon to help you manage the budget of this county that is affecting so many people, both your employees, but both those members and neighbors in this community. So we sincerely pray for you that you will find the support and the God given wisdom to make those decisions that you need to make in God's name we pray."
- Father Gonzalez suggested that we bring up for the next meeting the budget cut that could affect the community-based organizations.

14. Adjournment

- Vice-Chair-Pastor Clarke asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 PM
- Moved by Pastor Eddy Gervais
- Seconded by Pastor Marc Mortensen
- Adjournment voted and approved unanimously.