acquire knowledge and information and improve literacy.

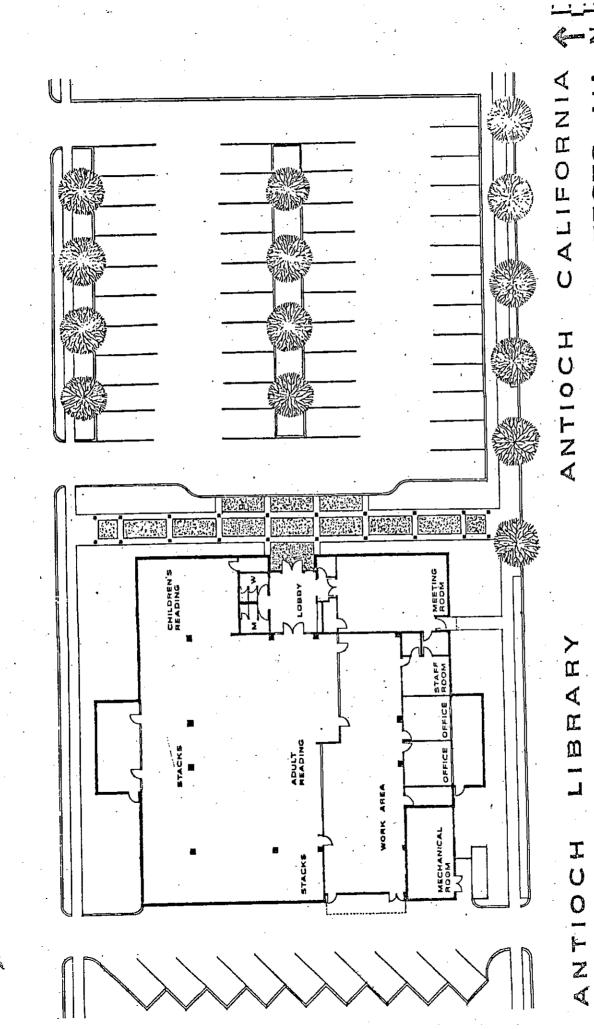
- 4. Library meeting rooms are set aside for educational, cultural, and community related meetings, programs and activities, under the terms of the Contra Costa County Library meeting room use policy. These meetings are generally not held in community libraries that do not have a meeting room. Of the 25 community libraries, 12 community libraries do not have a meeting room.
- 5. The Antioch library, including its meeting room, is 11,000 square feet in size. The Antioch library includes a main area with stacks, a children's reading area, and an adult reading area. The meeting room in the Antioch library is 900 square feet in size. A true and correct copy of a plan depicting the layout of the Antioch library is attached as Exhibit A.
- 6. The Contra Costa County Library is funded by several revenue sources. The main source of library funding is property taxes. Approximately 80 percent of the Contra Costa County Library's budget is from property taxes. The remainder of the Contra Costa County Library's budget is from a combination of city and state funds, grants, fines, and fees. All of the revenue from these sources are placed into a library revenue account in the County budget.
- 7. The maintenance of all library buildings owned by the County, including the Antioch library and its meeting room, is funded from the library revenue account of the County budget. Building maintenance that is funded from the library revenue account includes the cost of utilities, custodial services, painting, and the upkeep of each building's mechanical, electrical, and heating-ventilating-air conditioning systems.
- 8. The County's library meeting room use policy applies to meeting rooms in library buildings owned by the County. Under the policy, non-profit and civic organizations, for-profit organizations, schools, and governmental organizations must pay a fee if they want to use library meeting rooms for meetings that are closed to the general public, for which an admission fee is charged, or at which soliciting or selling is done. A fee charged under the County's library meeting room use policy does not cover the entire

cost of processing a use application. A fee charged under the County's library meeting room use policy does not cover any of the cost of maintaining library meeting rooms.

- 9. Many groups or organizations that are considering using a library meeting room will telephone that library to find out the requirements for using a meeting room before submitting a meeting room use application. Many of these groups or organizations are non-profit or civic organizations, for-profit organizations, schools, or governmental organizations that want to use a library meeting room for meetings that are closed to the general public, for which an admission fee is charged, or at which soliciting or selling is done. When informed that a fee is required, these groups and organizations often will not submit a use application because they do not want to pay a fee. The County library does not keep records of these telephone calls.
- 10. Library staff does not regularly monitor library meeting rooms that are in use to see if the rooms are being used in conformance with the County library meeting room use policy. Library staff relies on the representations an applicant makes in his or her meeting room use application. Library staff will contact a person or group that is using a meeting room if the person or group is using the room beyond the use time allotted to the person or group, and another person or group is waiting to use the meeting room.
- 11. On November 11, 2007, the Contra Costa County Library administration office received an application from Faith Center Church Evangelistic Ministries to use the Antioch library meeting room. The application was signed by Hattie Hopkins. The application indicated that Faith Center Church Evangelistic Ministries wanted to use meeting room on December 15, 2007 for the following purpose: "Prayer, Praise, Wordshop, Purpose to Teach Scripture and Encourage Salvation thru Jesus to Build-Up this Community Overall." A true and correct copy of Faith Center's application to use the Antioch library meeting room is attached as Exhibit B.
- 12. On December 5, 2007, I mailed a letter to Pastor Hattie Hopkins informing her that her application to use the Antioch library meeting room on December 15, 2007 was granted. The letter informed Pastor Hopkins that Faith Center "may use the meeting room

1	for any activity that does not violate the meeting room use policy, including activities that		
2	express a religious viewpoint." A true and correct copy of Faith Center's application to use		
3	the Antioch library meeting room on December 15, 2007 is attached as Exhibit C.		
4	The foregoing facts are within my personal knowledge and if I am called as a		
5	witness in this matter, I can competently testify to the above.		
6	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the		
7	foregoing is true and correct.		
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## Contra Costa County Library

Name of Library ANTIOCH (CONTRA COSTA CO.) LIBRARY
Date of Meeting December 15, 2007
Time of Meeting: From 5:30 to 9:00 Total time 3 /2 Has.
Name of Applicant Pastor Hattie Hopkins (For Faith Ctr. Evangelistic Min.)
Name of Organization Faith Center Church Evangelistic Min. (WM.F.C. Fellowship)
Purpose of Organization TO Build up Community (OPEN FREE TO DUB. 10)
Purpose of Meeting Prayer, Praise, Wordshop, Purpose To Teach Scripture
AND ENCOURAGE Salvation Thru Jesus To Build up This Community
have read and agree to abide by and uphold all rules and policies of the Contra Costa County Library and the branch
OVERAL

I have read and agree to abide by and uphold all rules and policies of the Contra Costa County Library and the branch library governing the use of library premises or equipment, and I understand that thinks to do so will result in loss of future privileges in the use of library meeting rooms. I understand that there is a no refund policy on the fee-based use of meeting rooms.

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Signature Souther Though	Date NOV 17, 2007
Position in organization Founder (President )	OR MARY WARD CO Applicant) Phone (925) 497-8328
business address Fig. Box 162074	Phone (916) 454-4655
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## **County Library**

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December 5, 2007

Contra Costa County



Pastor Hattie Hopkins, Founder / President Mary Ward, Co-Applicant Faith Center Evangelistic Ministry (W.M.F.C. Fellowship) P.O. Box 162076 Sacramento, CA 95816

Dear Pastor Hopkins,

This responds to your application to use the meeting room in the Antioch branch of the Contra Costa County Library on December 15, 2007. Your application specified the times 5:30 to 9:00. We presume you mean 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. You applied to use the meeting room for the following purpose: "Prayer, Praise, Wordshop, Purpose to Teach Scripture and Encourage Salvation thru Jesus to Build-Up this Community Overall." Your application to use the meeting room on December 15, 2007, from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., is granted.

As you know, the meeting room is the subject of ongoing litigation. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals held in Faith Center Church Evangelistic Ministries, et al. v. Federal D. Glover, et al., 480 F.3d 891 (2007) that the County may prohibit religious worship services from the Antioch Branch Library meeting room, in accordance with the "Religious Use" provision of the County Library meeting room use policy. The "Religious Use" provision provides as follows: "Library meeting rooms shall not be used for religious services."

Your signed application to use the meeting room indicates that you have read and agree to abide by and uphold all rules and policies of the Contra Costa County Library governing the use of library premises. We will presume that you understand and will comply with the holding in Faith Center Church Evangelistic Ministries, et al. v. Federal D. Glover, et al., 480 F.3d 891 (2007). You may use the meeting room for any activity that does not violate the meeting room use policy, including activities that express a religious viewpoint. In accordance with the Ninth Circuit's holding, you are responsible for distinguishing religious worship services from other forms of religious speech. (480 F.3d at 918-919.)

Anne Cain

cc:

County Librarian

Greta Galindo, Antioch Acting Senior Branch Librarian