

Group History

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District 15

Group Service Number -172510

Monday through Friday 7 AM Meeting

Formed about 1988 or 89

A group of young men, with no more than a year sobriety. Mike M was instrumental in getting it going.

Mike M, Don P, Jim K, Dan M, Sol, Brett S and Bron S were among the early members

The first meeting was held in the basement of the Church of Religious Science at 400 E. College St, in Fallbrook

7 AM

We are still meeting in the same room at the same time.

We have 54 members on our phone list, with about an average attendance of 30.

We are a discussion meeting, we read "As Bill Sees It".

We started the meeting at the Church of Religious Science. At one time we had a flooding problem and we moved to a small building at the Presbyterian Church on Stage Coach in Fallbrook. We were there for about 2 years when they tore the building down to expand the church. We moved back to the Church of Religious Science, also referred to as "The Hilltop Center".

In the beginning there were only about 8 of us. So almost everyone had to be a secretary. We often did not have the money for rent, so had to pitch in at the end of each month.

The men who started the meeting had very little experience in AA. They wanted a short meeting, with few readings or other distractions. They decided to not celebrate birthdays, to not have GSR or Intergroup reports, to

only read Hazelton's "Twenty Four Hours A Day" and "A Vision For You" at the end of the meeting. After someone complained that "Twenty Four Hours A Day" was not AA approved, we switched to "As Bill Sees It".

Several years after the group was formed, a member announced that she was going to become our GSR. No one argued with her. I believe that this would have been when we registered with N.Y. and got our service number.

Our meeting prospered and over the past several years a majority of the DCM's have come from our group.

Several years ago some of us decided that we wanted to take our birthday celebration at our home meeting, so we decided that birthdays could be celebrated, but only on Mondays.

Just a note of interest. Several years ago, 2 of our most senior members passed away. Sully Sullivan, and Margaret Sully. I thought that it was too bad that no one had talked to them, and learned about the early meetings. We formed a committee, and talked to all the old timers we could find. We wrote "History of Fallbrook AA". There were a lot of lapses, but we did our best. I think our DCM Paul has a copy of it.

Keep up the good work