MEMORANDUM

TO:

Frank Bartle, Esq., Montgomery Township Solicitor

FROM:

Kenneth Amey, AICP

DATE:

January 22, 2016

SUBJECT:

Liberation House, 1146 Stump Road

As requested, I have reviewed the Montgomery Township Zoning Ordinance definition of "family", along with the information supplied by the attorney representing the principals of the "Liberation House". My comments follow:

- 1. The property is located within the R-1 Zoning District and single family use is permitted.
- 2. The Zoning Ordinance definition of Family considers any number of individuals as a family, but only if comprised of non-transient members who function as the equivalent of a family.
- 3. Based upon the information provided by Frederic Wentz, Esq. in his correspondence of January 15, 2016, the use of this property appears to be the equivalent of a family and would therefore meet the definition of Family in the Zoning Ordinance.
- 4. I would suggest that if the Township is satisfied with the information provided by Mr. Wentz, the use be viewed as the functional equivalent of a family, and that appropriate conditions, including maximum occupancy restrictions, be placed in accordance with the Building and Property Maintenance Codes of Montgomery Township.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the above.