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GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 5-12, 1974

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Two Hundred Ninety-second Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 5, 1974, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

W Duncan Eva, D H Baasch, W Melvin Adams, M T Battle, J W Bothe, C E Bradford, W J Brown, W J Cannon, Victor H Cooper, W W Fordham, J H Hancock, M Carol Hetzell, B J Kohler, W R Leshner, N W Litchfield, M E Loewen, C D Martin, D A McAdams, J W McFarland, Garland J Millet, R E Osborn, W E Phillips, H F Rampton, M H Reeder, A H Roth, Milo Sawvel, Clark Smith, F A Soper, Michael Stevenson, Ella May Stoneburner, C D Watson, Herbert White, Bruce M Wickwire, K H Wood, A G Zytoskee.

OTHERS PRESENT

Karl Bahr, Orley Berg, H D Burbank, F E J Harder, L P Hartzler, R W Olson, Betty Stirling, F Donald Yost.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

W Duncan Eva read 2 Peter 1:1-11 (NEB) and expressed grateful praise for the balanced instruction of the Bible. He stated that it is not new knowledge we need, but a new experience.

"His divine power has bestowed on us everything that makes for life and true religion, enabling us to know the One who called us by his own splendour and might. . . .

"With all this in view, you should try your hardest to supplement your faith with virtue, virtue with knowledge, knowledge with self-control, self-control with fortitude, fortitude with piety, piety with brotherly kindness, and brotherly kindness with love. These are gifts which, if you possess them, will keep you from being either useless or barren in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Prayer was offered by K H Wood.

INTRODUCTION

F E J Harder presented L P Hartzler to the Committee, who is the chief educational planner for UNESCO in Liberia.

REPORT

M T Battle reported the total amount of Ingathering raised through November 30 is \$3,747,411.45 which represents a per capita of \$7.61 in the North American Division. Four unions and 24 conferences showed gains over last year's achievement for the same period.

December 5, 1974

MINUTES of the meeting held November 27, 1974, were approved.

(A-954) REGIONAL PUBLISHING STUDY COMMITTEE--
INVITEES

VOTED, To invite the following persons to attend the meeting of the ad hoc Regional Publishing Study Committee to be held in Nashville, Tennessee, December 9, 1974: O L Driskell, W Duncan Eva, C L Paddock, S C Robinson.

(A-953) NAD SPANISH LITERATURE STUDY COMMITTEE

VOTED, To appoint an ad hoc North American Division Spanish Literature Study Committee, to meet in Denver, Colorado, December 16, 17, 1974 (GCC 74-381):

Committee appointed:

Eva, W Duncan, Chairman	Henderson, Gordon (Ga-Cumb Conf)
Wickwire, Bruce M, Secretary	Hernandez, Pascual (Florida Conf)
Alonso, Eradio (New Jersey Conf)	Lauda, C H
Appenzeller, Ron (Southwestern Un)	Manchego, Bernardo (Ohio Conf)
Baer, F L (Pacific Press)	Martinez, Horloni (Southeast Calif)
Barnes, Charles (Columbia Un)	Mazat, W L (Southern Un)
Battle, M T	McAdams, D A
Benavides, Eliezer (Pacific Un)	Neira, Juan (So Calif Conf)
Bernet, Paul (Atlantic Un)	Peverini, Tulio (Pacific Press)
Blacker, W J (Pacific Press)	Proctor, J W (Lake Un)
Campos, Jose (Pacific Press)	Riffel, Benjamin (Pacific Press)
Chaij, Fernando (Pacific Press)	Ristau, Eric (Southern Un)
Chapman, Robert (Illinois Conf)	Rosado, Manuel (New Jersey Conf)
Chuquimia, David (Cent Calif Conf)	Santa Cruz, Oscar (Gr New York Conf)
Collins, Sergio (Pacific Press)	Tompkins, Joel (New Jersey Conf)
Dias, Fred (Layman, Florida)	Torres, Eugene (Texico Conf)
Dombrosky, S L (Florida Conf)	Trevino, Max (Texas Conf)
Fernandez, Silvio (Ga-Cumb Conf)	Wilson, Neal C
Glenz, Edwin (Pacific Un)	Wollard, W R (Pacific Press)

(A-582) NAD PUBLISHING COUNCIL--STANDING REGIONAL PUBLISHING
ITEMS SUBCOMMITTEE

At the 1974 Annual Council, the North American Division Committee on Administration approved a new standing subcommittee of the North American Division Publishing Council, to be known as the Regional Publishing Items Subcommittee (NADCA 74-135), and it was

VOTED, To name the following persons to serve on the standing Regional Publishing Items Subcommittee, in harmony with the amended personnel as voted in NADCA 74-186:

Wilson, Neal C, Chairman
Bradford, C E, Vice-chairman
McAdams, D A, Vice-chairman
Wickwire, Bruce M, Secretary
Kemmerer, M E, Treasurer
Eva, W Duncan, Advisor to the Publishing Department

(Regional Publishing Items Subcommittee - contd)

Anderson, G W - Assoc Publishing Dept Director, Columbia Union
*Barber, T S - Publishing Dept Director, Lake Region Conference
Barnes, C M - Publishing Dept Director, Columbia Union
Battle, M T - Lay Activities Dept, General Conference
Brown, Olice - ABC Manager, Northeastern Conference
Cleveland, E E - Ministerial Assn, General Conference
*Cleveland, H L - President, Allegheny West Conference
*Dorsey, Edward - President, Allegheny East Conference
*Dudley, C E - President, South Central Conference
Fordham, W W - Regional Department, General Conference
Forquer, Hugh - Book Dept Manager, Review and Herald
*Kirkland, O D - Publishing Dept Director, Southwest Region Conf
Mackey, O W - Assoc Publishing Dept Director, Southern Union
*Marshall, J - Publishing Dept Director, Central States Conference
*McClamb, Silas - Publishing Dept Director, Northeastern Conference
Reynolds, L B - Sabbath School Dept, General Conference
Ristau, Eric - Publishing Dept Director, Southern Union
Robinson, W R - Editor, The Message Magazine, Southern Publ Assn
*Smith, T R - Publishing Department Director, South Atlantic Conf
Willis, C M - Assoc Mgr, Periodical Dept, Southern Publishing Assn
Wollard, W R - Book Department Manager, Pacific Press

* Rotate midterm.

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

VOTED, To accept the following report from the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Tkachuk, Jeanette (Saskatchewan)--Reassignment as nurse from Yuka Hospital to Mwami Hospital, Zambia, Trans-Africa Division

Calls and Transfers

Lee, Paul W (Aust Div)--Request of Far Eastern Division to serve as teacher, English Language School, Phom Penh, Cambodia, Adventist Volunteer Service Corps worker

Releases

Elick, John W from call to Inca Union College, So American Division.
Declined
Everest, Clarice from call to South American Division office
Pauwels, Jacques from call to Kivu Adventist College, Trans-Africa Division. Health

Permanent Returns

Fletcher, Laura Helen (daughter, A G Fletcher, Trans-Africa Div) to Australasian Division. Effective December 16, 1974, education
Newton, William from Bella Vista Hospital, Inter-American Division, Effective January 31, 1975
Petersen, Arnold L, III (furlough-residency, Inter-American Division)
Declined invitation to return.

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(Appointees - contd)

Permanent Returns - cont

Triantafilo, Eunice and Joshua (children, Efino Triantafilo, Greek Miss)
to Ecuador, South American Division.. Education

EXCHANGE RATE ADJUSTMENTS--SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION

VOTED, To approve the following adjustments in the fixed rates of exchange within the South American Division, effective December 1, 1974, thus amending GCC 74-331:

<u>Country</u>		<u>Local Currency</u>	<u>US\$</u>
<u>South American Division</u>			
Chile	Escudo	E ^o 1,520.00	.0006579
Uruguay	Peso	o/u 2,100.00	.0004762

GENERAL CALLS

VOTED, To pass on the following General calls:

Blackie, David (Loma Linda Univ)--Head of Occupational Therapy Department,
New England Memorial Hospital
Brown, Marvin (Metro New York Evangelism)--Pastor, South Atlantic Conference
Heiner, Ralph (Gen Conf)--Pastor, Michigan Conference
Strickland, Robert A (Pacific Un Coll)--Associate campus business adminis-
trator, Loma Linda University, Loma Linda campus
Tate, Walter (Review & Herald)--Manager, Office Services, General Conference

Adjourned.

W Duncan Eva, Chairman
D H Baasch, Secretary
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

Two Hundred Ninety-third Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 12, 1974, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

W Duncan Eva, D H Baasch, M T Battle, G J Bertochini, J W Bothe, C E Bradford, W J Brown, W J Cannon, Victor H Cooper, K H Emmerson, W W Fordham, J O Gibson, J H Hancock, M Carol Hetzell, W A Howe, E W Howse, J N Hunt, B J Kohler, J C Kozel, W R Leshner, B J Liebelt, N W Litchfield, D A McAdams, J W McFarland, Garland J Millet, R E Osborn, W L Pascoe, W E Phillips, A V Pinkney, H F Rampton, Leo Ranzolin, M H Reeder, R M Reinhard, L B Reynolds, A H Roth, V W Schoen, L A Shipowick, F A Soper, E H J Steed, Michael Stevenson, Ella May Stoneburner, C D Watson, A L White, Bruce M Wickwire, K H Wood, Ethel Young.

OTHERS PRESENT

Ralph Ahnberg, Karl Bahr, Orley Berg, Betty Stirling, L R Van Dolson, F Donald Yost.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

W Duncan Eva, Chairman, read Titus 2:7 to 3:8 (NEB) a portion of which follows:

"For the grace of God has dawned upon the world with healing for all mankind; and by it we are disciplined to renounce godless ways and worldly desires, and to live a life of temperance, honesty, and godliness in the present age, looking forward to the happy fulfilment of our hope when the splendour of our great God and Saviour Christ Jesus will appear. He it is who sacrificed himself for us, to set us free from all wickedness and to make us a pure people marked out for his own, eager to do good."

If we want to understand the truth, know it, and love it, we must live it.

E W Howse offered prayer.

INTRODUCTION

H F Rampton presented Ralph Ahnberg, Vice-president of the radio program, "Your Story Hour."

REPORTS

V W Schoen read the report for the fourth week of the Ingathering campaign. The total amount raised through December 7, 1974, is \$4,760,244.51. In the fourth week, \$1,012,833.06 was raised which represents more than half of the goal reached. Three unions and 22 conferences showed gains over last year's achievement for the same period.

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(Reports - contd)

J C Koziel reported on his visit to the Afro-Mideast Division. Middle East College has the largest enrollment in its history, over 200 college students. Baptisms in this division this year will reach a figure between 16,000 and 17,000, the greatest gains being in the African sections of the field. He also made special mention of the institutions at Kendu Bay, the Africa Herald Publishing House working at top efficiency trying to meet the requests for literature, and the Kendu Mission Hospital which is engaged in a rebuilding and expansion program.

MINUTES of the meeting held December 5, 1974, were approved.

(A-955) INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES/ESDA BANK ACCOUNT

Resolved, That the Suburban Trust Company, Takoma Park, Maryland, be and hereby is, authorized to recognize the signatures of K H Emmerson, Treasurer, and/or J F Knipschild and/or N W Litchfield and/or B A Martin, to sign or make any changes and orders for the payment of money for the account Number 30-0140-4 in the name of Institutional Services/ESDA. All prior authorizations for this account are hereby annulled and canceled.

(A-955) INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES/ESDA BANK ACCOUNT

Resolved, That the Virginia National Bank, Arlington, Virginia, be and hereby is, authorized to recognize the signatures of K H Emmerson, Treasurer, and/or J F Knipschild and/or N W Litchfield and/or B A Martin, to sign or make any changes and orders for the payment of money for the account Number 6500846 in the name of Institutional Services/ESDA. All prior authorizations for this account are hereby annulled and canceled.

(A-956) BUGEMA ADVENTIST COLLEGE--UPGRADING

On the request of the Afro-Mideast Division and the recommendation of the Department of Education and the Administrative Committee,

VOTED, To authorize the expansion of the theological training program at Bugema Adventist College, Kampala, Uganda, in harmony with the recommendation that during 1974-75 the third year of courses will be offered, after which a progress report shall be submitted with a view to authorization of the fourth year of the theological course in the near future. It is further understood that the following conditions will be implemented as soon as possible:

1. A new library-media center
2. An adequate annual appropriation for books and periodicals
3. Additional faculty, including a fully-trained, full-time librarian
4. Instructional facilities and materials
5. Increased operating expenses
6. More division between the college and secondary programs
7. Increased post-secondary offerings in liberal arts and other junior college areas.

(A-45) FRANCOPHONE COLLEGE IN AFRICA--ADJUSTMENTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE

VOTED, To make adjustments in the members of the Board of Directors and the Master Plan Committee for the Francophone College in Africa, thus amending GCC 74-437 and 74-438, as follows:

Board of Directors:

Add: President, Indian Ocean Union Mission (Eugeen Vervoort)
Substitute: President, Cameroun Training School (Marcel Fernandez)
(replacing Richard Lehmann)

Master Plan Committee:

Substitute: Fernandez, Marcel - President, Cameroun Training School
(replacing Richard Lehmann)

RATCLIFFE, A G--FURLOUGH

In harmony with the policy,

VOTED, To approve a three-month furlough to Australia for A G Ratcliffe of Napa, California, beginning January 6, 1975.

(A-408) WITNESSING MANUAL FIELD PROJECT--TRAINING
SESSION

On the recommendation of the President's Administrative Council,

VOTED, To authorize a special training session for field testing of the Witnessing Manual, as recommended by the Witnessing Manual Committee, to be held in Washington, DC, January 27-29, 1975, and that those attending be of the following: (See NADCA 74-189)

1. Five pastors (from the churches selected)
2. Five Mission '75 coordinators from the unions representing the churches selected
3. Five union Lay Activities Directors representing the churches selected
4. George Knowles
5. Don Gray
6. A representative appointed by each of the General Conference departments involved: Lay Activities, Ministerial, Publishing, Sabbath School, Temperance, Youth.

(A-928) SAHEL PROJECT--EXPENSES, COMMITTEE

On the recommendation of the Seventh-day Adventist World Service and the President's Administrative Council,

VOTED, 1. To adopt the report concerning an agricultural program for the Sahel in Africa, a copy of the complete report being filed with the General Conference Committee Minutes. The salary, salary-related, transportation, outfitting, furlough, and other expenses of the SAWS representative (Jack King, see GCC 74-431) shall be provided as follows:

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- a. One-third by SAWS
- b. One-third by the General Conference
- c. One-sixth by the Euro-Africa Division
- d. One-sixth by the Northern Europe-West Africa Division

Since a five-year project is envisaged these funds shall be provided annually as a special appropriation by the above organizations.

2. To appoint an ad hoc committee to be responsible for the execution and operation of the Sahel project, which is under the general supervision of SAWS:

Committee appointed: W Duncan Eva, Chairman; H D Burbank, Executive Secretary; M T Battle, H D Johnson, B J Kohler, Jack King, M E Nebblett.

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES--REPORT

VOTED, To accept the following report from the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Camacho, Elber S (Loma Linda Univ Med Center)--Physician (Gen Pract & Internal Med) Bella Vista Hospital, Puerto Rico, Inter-American Division (North Amer Div based)

Campbell, Samuel George (Worcester, Mass)--Education/Communication Director, East Jamaica Conference, Inter-American Div, national

Clarke, Wilton E L (Iowa City, Iowa)--Science/mathematics teacher, Middle East College, Beirut, Afro-Mideast Division

Sugiura, Yuzuru (Riverside, Calif)--Teacher, Japan Union Mission, Far Eastern Division, national returning

Calls and Transfers

Reierson, Gunstein (N Eur-W Afr)--Call of Afro-Mideast Division as staff physician, Empress Zauditu Memorial Adv Hospital, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Rosenquist, Roger Dale (Deferred medical)--Transfer from Latin America to Far Eastern Division

Releases

Achata, Livia Ofelia from call as secretary, South American Division

Clark, Leon from call as physician, Bangkok, Thailand, Far East Div

Permanent Returns

Colburn, Keith K from Bangkok, Thailand, Far Eastern Division. Education, effective October 14, 1974

Edsell, William S from Nairobi, Afro-Mideast Division. Personal, effective July 1, 1975

Fanselau, Harold A from Argentina, South American Division. Assignment completed

Massey, Herald (son of R M Massey) from Iran Field, Afro-Mideast Div to Southern Asia Division. Education, effective April 1, 1974

Nicola, Quintes P from Rawalpindi, Pakistan, Southern Asia Division. Personal, effective Nov 17, 1974

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(Appointees - contd)

Permanent Returns

Palm, Hugo W from Afro-Mideast Division, Beirut, to N Eur-W Afr Division. Education, effective July 1975

Rada, Renato G from Empress Zauditu Memorial Adv Hospital, Ethiopia, Afro-Mideast Division to Far Eastern Division. Personal, effective June 17, 1974

Ratcliffe, Roger G (son, A G Ratcliffe, Calif) to Australasian Division Effective 1969

Torres, Kyna S (daughter, W D Torres) from Kendu Hospital, Kenya, Afro-Mideast Division to Far Eastern Division. Education, effective June 1974

Torres, Wenceslao, III (son, W D Torres) from Kendu Hospital, Kenya, Afro-Mideast Division to Far Eastern Division. Education, effective June 1974

Werner, Gunther Trautwin from Ruby Nelson Mem Hosp, Southern Asia Div to Euro-Africa Division. Education, effective December 1974

BELLA VISTA HOSPITAL EXPANSION--SHORT-TERM LOAN

On the recommendation of the Borrowing and Distribution of Funds Committee,

VOTED, To approve the borrowing of up to \$930,000 by the Antillian Union, Inter-American Division, on a short-term loan basis, so construction may proceed on the expansion of the Bella Vista Hospital, Puerto Rico. Hill-Burton funds have been approved and promised for this project.

GENERAL CALLS

VOTED, To pass on the following General calls:

Mulholland, Raymond B (Rev & Herald)--Electrician, Maintenance Dept, General Conference

Witz, Lowell D (Rev & Herald)--Worker in Computer Center, Andrews University

Adjourned

W Duncan Eva, Chairman
D H Baasch, Secretary
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES OF MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 19-26, 1974

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Two Hundred Ninety-fourth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 19, 1974, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

K H Emmerson, C E Bradford, M T Battle, G J Bertochini, L L Bock, W J Brown, E E Cleveland, Victor H Cooper, W W Fordham, A Edwin Gibb, J O Gibson, J H Hancock, M Carol Hetzell, W A Howe, H D Johnson, M E Kemmerer, J C Kozel, N W Litchfield, C D Martin, D A McAdams, J W McFarland, A C McKee, Garland Millet, W E Phillips, A V Pinkney, Leo Ranzolin, Fernon Retzer, L B Reynolds, A H Roth, V W Schoen, L A Shipowick, E H J Steed, Ella May Stoneburner, C D Watson, F C Webster, Herbert White, Bruce M Wickwire, K H Wood, A G Zytkoskee

OTHERS PRESENT

Karl Bahr, H D Burbank, C M Clark, D A Delafield, Betty Stirling, DeWitt Williams, F Donald Yost

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

Kenneth H Emmerson, Chairman, expressed the thought that at this season of the year, it is especially appropriate to think of Christ, His life and sacrifice, and of our need for His strength in the performance of our assigned tasks, for as He said, "Without Me, ye can do nothing." He continued by reading the following from Steps to Christ, page 73:

". . . Our growth in grace, our joy, our usefulness,--all depend upon our union with Christ. It is by communing with Him, daily, hourly,--by abiding in Him,--that we are to grow in grace. He is not only the author but the finisher of our faith."

We must recognize that we can do the work and be what He wants us to be if we take Christ.

Kenneth H Wood offered prayer.

REPORTS

V W Schoen presented the report for the fifth week of the Ingathering campaign citing the experience of a couple in Nebraska who seven weeks ago knocked at a door, received a donation from the lady of the house, had a short prayer, and invited the lady to come to their church on the following Sabbath. She came and last Sabbath was baptized. Now she too is involved in Ingathering. He commented on a recent report found in a news magazine to the effect that other organizations soliciting funds at this time have experienced a decrease in giving as high as 50% in some areas, but the report in Ingathering this week is \$1,155,053, the second million-dollar week this year. The total to date is \$5,915,297.84 which is less than for the comparable period in 1973, but we must remember that 32% of the churches started a week later this year. Three unions and nine conferences have to date exceeded their totals of last year.

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Minutes of the meeting held December 12, 1974, were approved.

(A-957) MILLER, T P--FURLOUGH

In harmony with the policy,

VOTED, To grant T P Miller of the General Conference Auditing Department a furlough to Britain, June 1 to August 31, 1975. (Furlough begins three months earlier than the date on which it is due, in order to accommodate the Millers' meeting a school problem.)

(A-959) RANZOLIN, LEO--FURLOUGH

In harmony with the policy,

VOTED, To grant Leo Ranzolin of the General Conference staff a furlough to Brazil, South America, July 21 to August 31, 1975. (The furlough is shorter than the three months allowable, but due to school schedules and the General Conference Session, the Ranzolin family is requesting only 40 days for this term.)

(A-960) GENCON BOARD, GCIS, INC (CALIFORNIA)--
PANEL OF NAMES

On recommendation of the Treasury,

VOTED, To approve the following lists of names for consideration by the GENCON Agency, Incorporated and GCIS, Incorporated (California) for directorships on the respective boards:

GENCON Agency, Inc.
Charles Frederick
Beverly Hoggan
Virgil Mayer
Betty Minton
Stanton Parker
J W Peeke
Wayne Taylor

GCIS, Inc. (Calif)
Henry Brummett
Betty Minton
Stanton Parker

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES--REPORT

VOTED, To accept the following report from the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Raunio, Leo Lorenz (Andrews University)--Librarian/Teacher, Solusi College, Rhodesia, Trans-Africa Division

Calls and Transfers

Figols, Jose (Swiss Union, Euro-Africa Division)--Call of South American Division as Stewardship Secretary, Austral Union, Argentina
Martinez, Rachel (Puerto Rico, Inter-American Division)--Call of South American Division as nurse, Quito American Clinic, Ecuador, as national returning

(Appointees - contd)

Releases

Liebelt, Lance from appt to Ethiopian Adv College, Afro-Mideast Div
Manley, James O from appt to Bugema Adv College, Uganda, Afro-Mideast
Div
Sanford, Thomas Lee from appt to Laos, Far Eastern Div
Thompson, Leroy K from appt to Hong Kong Adv Hosp, Far Eastern Div
Thorpe, Elva E (Australasian Div) from SOS assignment to Indonesia
Union Col, Far Eastern Div

Permanent Returns

Gaver, Paul Edgar from Taiwan, Far Eastern Div, Personal, effective
November 17, 1974
Long, Pauline from Solusi College, Rhodesia, Trans-Afr Division.
Retirement, effective December 11, 1974

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY SUBSIDY--TONGAN
COUNSELS FOR THE CHURCH

On recommendation of the Spirit of Prophecy Committee,

VOTED, That a subsidy of \$676.43 be granted from the Spirit of Prophecy Book Subsidy Fund for the publication of Counsels for the Church, Vol. 1 in the Tongan language.

EXCHANGE RATE ADJUSTMENTS--INTER-AMERICAN
AND EURO-AFRICA DIVISIONS

VOTED, To approve the following adjustments in the fixed rates of exchange within the Inter-American and Euro-Africa Divisions, effective January 1, 1975:

<u>Country</u>			<u>Local Currency</u>	<u>US\$</u>
<u>Inter-American Division</u>				
Colombia	Peso	Ps	26.50	.0377358
<u>Euro-Africa Division</u>				
Israel	Pound	£	6.00	.1666667

OVERSEAS TRAVEL ADJUSTMENT

On recommendation of the Overseas Travel Committee,

VOTED, To adjust the dates for the following overseas travel approved January 24, 1974:

R B Caldwell So Amer Div, from Apr 14-May 11 to Nov 4-
Dec 6, 1974.

GENERAL CALLS

VOTED, To pass on the following General calls:

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(General Calls - contd)

Gessner, Naomi (Voice of Prophecy)--Office secretary, Carolina Conference
Lee, Harold (Perm Ret, Inter-Am Div)--Dir of Development & Public Relations,
Oakwood College
Liebelt, Lance (Pacific Press, Cent Branch)--Manager, Adv Book Center,
Carolina Conference

Adjourned

Kenneth H Emmerson, Chairman
C E Bradford, Secretary
Eunice Rozema, Recording Secretary

Two Hundred Ninety-fifth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 26, 1974, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

C O Franz, Roy F Williams, D H Baasch, R Curtis Barger, G J Bertochini, C E Bradford, W J Brown, R B Caldwell, W J Cannon, E E Cleveland, R M Davidson, A Edwin Gibb, J O Gibson, J H Hancock, D W Hunter, Gordon Hyde, D S Johnson, H D Johnson, J F Knipschild, C D Martin, Garland J Millet, R W Nixon, R E Osborn, W E Phillips, L B Reynolds, V W Schoen, E H J Steed, Michael Stevenson, Carl Sundin, C D Watson, F C Webster, A L White, Herbert White, K H Wood.

OTHERS PRESENT

H D Burbank, L R Van Dolson Leo and Gloria Van Dolson, Jr, Betty Stirling, DeWitt Williams.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

Clyde O Franz, Chairman, read Psalm 91:1-7 and commented on the protection of the Lord experienced by all of us so many times and in so many places. When tragedy does strike, such as the accident that took the life of Paul Steiner in England a few days ago, or the cyclone that ravaged Darwin, Australia, on Christmas Day, we must remember that this is the work of the enemy. The Chairman requested Arthur White to inform the committee of the latest information regarding the automobile accident in which Paul Steiner was involved. H D Burbank also reported on the Darwin cyclone and steps being taken to bring relief. D W Hunter reported on the progress of the literature work in the Philippines where by October one union had already exceeded the sales goal for the year, and Mountain View College had witnessed a sizeable number of baptisms as the result of the witnessing of the students.

Betty Stirling offered prayer.

INTRODUCTION

Leo Van Dolson presented his son Leo, Jr and his wife, Gloria. They are under deferred medical appointment to the Trans-Africa Division.

REPORTS

V W Schoen brought an encouraging report on the sixth week of the 1974 Ingathering campaign. The total for the week was \$990,832.96 bringing the total to date to \$6,906,130.80. His dream of having a third consecutive million dollar week was not realized, but the deficit reported last week comparing figures with the same period of 1973 has been reduced to \$36,295.33. Two unions have reached one million dollars this year: Columbia and Southern.

J F Knipschild told briefly of the method in Ingathering employed in the Frederick, Maryland church. Announcement was made in the newspaper of the plan of the Frederick SDA Church to place a gift of Steps to Christ in every home in the city with the suggestion that some might be interested in lending financial support to the work of the church. The results have been gratifying.

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(A-963) OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OF PLATES AND POSITIVE PRINTERS AND DIVISION OF INITIAL EXPENSE

Annual Council '74 amended the policy, "Ownership and Control of Plates and Positive Printers and Division of Initial Expense" (GC Working Policy, page 137 by adding an introductory paragraph bearing the number "1". Inadvertently, an error crept into the wording of section "e" of paragraph "1".

VOTED, To record the correct wording for section "e", paragraph "1" of the policy "Ownership and Control of Plates and Positive Printers and Division of Initial Expense" (AC Booklet 1974, page 63, paragraph 1-e) as follows:

"e. No charge for initial expense, when printing plates are sold to publishing houses that receive operating appropriations." And further

To authorize the Publishing Department to implement the policy as it was intended until it can be amended by Annual Council '75.

(A-936) INNER CITY AFFAIRS CONFERENCE--RICHARD BARRON

VOTED, To invite Richard Barron of the Lake Union to attend the Inner City Affairs Conference to be held in Washington, DC, February 14-18, 1975.

(A-967) LEOPOLDO A AVILA--FURLOUGH

In harmony with the policy,

VOTED, To authorize a furlough for Leopoldo A Avila of the Pacific Press Publishing Association from July 8 to October 5, 1974.

(A-968) AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION--YOUTH DIRECTOR

H W Palm, recently appointed acting Youth Director of the Afro-Mideast Division, has asked to be relieved because of lack of experience in the activities of this department. The Afro-Mideast Division has recommended that his resignation be accepted and that W S Edsell, Youth Director for the East African Union be elected Afro-Mideast Division Youth Director.

VOTED, (1) To accept the resignation of H W Palm as acting Youth Director of the Afro-Mideast Division, and

(2) To elect W S Edsell as Youth Director of the Afro-Mideast Division.

(A-969) SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION AUDITOR

Samuel Alberro, Auditor of the South American Division, has submitted his resignation and application for sustention. The South American Division has recommended that his resignation be accepted, and that Paulo Sanchez, Assistant Treasurer and Controller, Pacific Press Publishing Association, be elected Auditor of the South American Division.

VOTED, (1) To accept the resignation of Samuel Alberro as Auditor of the South American Division, and

(2) To elect Paulo Sanchez as Auditor of the South American Division.

OVERSEAS TRAVEL

On the recommendation of the Overseas Travel Committee,

VOTED, To approve the following overseas travel:

Authorizations

J W McFarland

Euro-Africa Div, Paris, Jan 24-Feb 10, 1975
5-Day Plan for United Nations Organization
under-developed countries personnel; and
additional itinerary within European part of
the Division.

Robert W Olson

Euro-Africa Div, one month, Sept/Oct 1975 for
Spirit of Prophecy Emphasis Weeks in the colleges
in Europe.

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES--REPORT

VOTED, To accept the following report from the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Gaskell, Arthur (Huntington Beach, CA)--Physician/surgeon, Saigon Adv
Hosp, Far Eastern Division

Pinero, Fernando (Hialeah, FL)--Dean of Men, Instituto Colombo-Venezolano,
Inter-American Div. National returning.

Calls and Transfers

Brody, Ron (Australasian Div)--Call of Far Eastern Div as Surgeon, Bang-
kok Adv Hosp, Thailand

Brinkman, Egbert B (No Europe-W Afr Div)--Assignment of Deferred Medical
Appointee to Antillean Adv Hosp, Curacao, Inter-American Div.

Releases

Brody, Ron (Australasian Div) from call of Far Eastern Div as relief
physician, Southeast Asia Union Mission.

Bryner, Urs Markus from appt to Saigon Adv Hosp as physician, Far Eastern
Division.

Umboh, J B Th (Far Eastern Div) from call to Inter-American Div as Pastor/
evangelist, Surinam Mission.

Permanent Returns

Pritel, Philip A, Physician, Saigon Adv Hosp, Far Eastern Div. Personal,
effective January 20, 1975.

Adjourned.

Clyde O Franz, Chairman
Roy F Williams, Secretary
Eunice Rozema, Recording Secretary

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SAHEL PROJECTS

Agreed, I. To adopt the following report which represents the considered observations and conclusions of the Board.

A. Sahel Needs and Possible Projects

1. The disastrous drought and famine conditions prevailing in the Sahel countries of Africa are by no means a sudden and unexpected occurrence but a logical development of long standing and worsening factors. These conditions will not easily change and endeavors to bring effective help will of necessity be of extended duration.

2. A number of national and international organizations, including USAID, are making large sums of money available to voluntary agencies to finance various approved and carefully planned programs to produce, and educate the population to produce, food and bring other assistance of the kind that will help toward a solution of the basic problems of the area.

3. The countries of the Sahel have never been easy to enter with the Advent message, and to build up a strong and representative work in them presents many problems. Present distressing conditions do provide an opportunity for the exercise of Christian compassion that could well open doors and, as indicated, money is available to assist in financing projects we as a church might undertake. In this manner the way may be prepared for an established work that would be warmly welcomed. However, careful but imaginative planning and a willingness to try new approaches and methods appears to be called for.

4. Whatever programs are planned must help meet present urgent short-term needs on the one hand and on the other must also contribute to a long-term solution of basic problems. Furthermore, programs must be so planned that they will be continued in satisfactory form after the initial work by expatriate personnel has been completed.

5. Careful study of the whole situation, including on-the-spot investigation by Jack King, leads to the following observations and conclusions.

a. The organizations prepared to finance programs and projects, while regarding national boundaries, view the Sahel area as a whole and it would therefore be prudent that we deal in a similar way, in our initial and overall planning.

b. Because of the technical aspects of the agricultural and other projects envisaged, even though they may be short-term at first, and because projects must be, and must appear to be, carefully planned and executed, a project supervisor with special qualifications in agriculture is needed urgently for an initial period expected to be about five years.

c. Such a project supervisor should, it is believed, be a representative of SAWS and under its direction. He would, of course, work in the closest cooperation with the unions (and divisions) functioning in the Sahel and relate to their projects regardless of the source of their funding.

d. The duties of such a SAWS representative could be:

(1) To keep in close touch with needs in various countries and opportunities to meet them. This would involve maintaining close and cordial contacts with governments and keeping the situation in each country under study.

(2) To assist the unions (and divisions) in planning, securing government approval of the financing for new projects, and in supervising their establishment and operation as well as the operation of existing projects.

(3) To help insure, while maintaining the highest standards possible both technically and in the welfare aspects of the work, that the church is properly represented and that its witness is clear and distinct and that opportunities for suitable followup are not lost.

(4) To serve in his capacity as the SAWS representative in the Sahel in receiving USAID funds and to assist in whatever ways are possible in regard to projects financed by SIDA and other similar organizations.

(5) The salary, salary-related, transportation, outfitting, furlough, and other expenses of this SAWS representative could be provided as follows:

(a) One-third by SAWS.

(b) One-third by the General Conference.

(c) One-sixth by the Euro-Africa Division.

(d) One-sixth by the Northern Europe-West Africa Division.

Since a five-year project is envisaged these funds could be provided annually as a special appropriation by the above organizations.

(6) It is believed that such a plan for a SAWS representative in the Sahel would place the divisions involved in an advantageous position and open the way for development of a well-based work in this needy area. Moreover, organizations prepared to assist voluntary agencies will the more readily place confidence in the plans and projects we present.

6. General Conference counsel should be sought in regard to details of the control of this plan should it be adopted. It is considered advisable that a small committee with representation from SAWS be set up by SAWS to deal with the initial execution and operation of the plan and projects under the overall supervision of SAWS.

7. It is recognized that as soon as projects agreed upon by the divisions are established, primary responsibility for their continued operation shall rest entirely with the division and that national and expatriate staff, regular and voluntary, shall be under the direction of the local mission and/or union. The SAWS representative shall stand as a counselor and liaison with SAWS and, as needed, with funding organizations and governments.

8. Finally, it should be agreed that it is essential to successful and smooth effective operation that there be the closest cooperation with the two divisions involved on the part of SAWS and its representative in the Sahel. It is firmly believed that given the will to do so, such cooperation can be readily attained by careful counseling, courteous consideration, and a spirit of understanding. The goals to be attained are well worth it.

B. Creating a Source of Experienced Voluntary Workers

I. If projects are to be set in operation in the Sahel, there is need of a supply of experienced voluntary workers willing and able to take responsibility. We suggest the following plan to provide this source from which to draw for anticipated needs:

1. United Nations agencies and other organizations are doing much to meet acute needs in underdeveloped countries and their personnel gain valuable experience. They are in need of various classes of skilled workers from time to time and there are willing and qualified SDA members who could respond to invitations to serve. Such workers could and would give a strong witness for the church in hitherto unentered countries and when they have gained experience would constitute a small reserve from which the church could draw for anticipated needs in the Sahel area of Africa and perhaps for other areas.

2. With this in view the following is suggested:

a. That we encourage carefully screened and selected younger SDA members to make themselves available for service in Africa and if at all possible in Sahel countries, with United Nations and similar agencies.

b. That the SAWS be authorized to appoint a suitable person to investigate the possibilities of voluntary service by SDA members with the UN and other agencies, securing necessary information as to how to proceed to arrange appointment of such selected individuals to voluntary service in these agencies.

c. That the Euro-Africa and Northern Europe-West Africa Divisions, as they deem it desirable, give study to the appointment of individuals to make similar investigations in the countries of their divisions.

d. That realizing the great importance of careful selection, counsel be sought from the General Conference Secretarial and Youth Departments as to the criteria that shall be set up to guide in the selection of prospects and the best methods of contacting and recruiting them through existing channels. It is essential that clear procedures be established.

II. That we recommend the following steps and procedure in the adoption of this report:

1. That it be studied at the forthcoming Annual Council at Loma Linda by SAWS representation with the presidents of the Euro-Africa and Northern Europe-West Africa Divisions. Such modifications in it being made as may be necessary.

2. That it be then presented to PRADCO through ADCOM for its study, suggestions and approval and passed to the two divisions for study by their committees and hopefully endorsement at their year-end meetings.

3. That it then be presented to the General Conference Committee for its final approval.

4. That we look forward to its implementation as from January 1, 1975, or as soon thereafter as possible, and that therefore the organizations mentioned in paragraph 5d be prepared when/if approval is given to provide their proper share of the total appropriation as calculated by the General Conference Treasury.

5. That the General Conference Committee appoint upon recommendation of SAWS a SAWS representative in the Sahel and that arrangements be worked out for his location and in regard to other matters as may be necessary.

6. That PRADCO approve the plans worked out for the implementation of paragraph 3 under I B, and approve the appointment of the individuals mentioned in sub-paragraphs 3b and c so that they can commence work as soon as possible.

Committee suggested: W. D. EVA, Chairman; H. D. Burbank, Executive Secretary;
M. T. Battle, H. D. Johnson, B. J. Kohler, Jack King,
M. E. Nebblett.