

SPRING MEETING

Silver Spring, Maryland, April 19-20, 2000

SPRING MEETING OF THE
GENERAL CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

April 19, 2000, 8:00 a.m.

PRESENT

Niels-Erik Andreasen, Ronald E Appenzeller, Harold W Baptiste, Graham M Barham, Maurice T Battle, Bert B Beach, Matthew A Bediako, Violeto F Bocala, G Tom Carter, Selma Chaij, Bjarne Christensen, Pyung Duk Chun, Larry R Colburn, Lowell C Cooper, Alipio B da Rosa, Rajmund Dabrowski, Luka T Daniel, Gary B DeBoer, Laurie J Evans, Ronald M Flowers, Robert S Folkenberg, Philip S Follett, Ulrich Frikart, L James Gibson, Malcolm D Gordon, Gordon R Gray, John Graz, Joseph E Gurubatham, Patricia Gustin,

Bert B Haloviak, Allan R Handysides, C Lee Huff, William G Johnsson, Theodore T Jones, Gerry D Karst, Dennis C Keith Sr, Robert J Kloosterhuis, Robert E Kyte, Harold L Lee, Israel Leito, Robert E Lemon, Jose R Lizardo, Reuben Matiko, Ramon H Maury, Benjamin C Maxson, Alfred C McClure, Kenneth J Mittleider, R Martin Moores, Thomas J Mostert Jr, Baraka G Muganda, Ruy H Nagel, Orville D Parchment, Ruth E Parish, Vernon B Parmenter, Jere D Patzer, Jan Paulsen, Larry J Pitcher, Juan R Prestol, Donald G Pursley,

L D Raelly, Leo Ranzolin, Humberto M Rasi, Robert L Rawson, Rick Remmers, Alvin Ringer, Donald E Robinson, Calvin B Rock, Duane C Rollins, Steven G Rose, Michael L Ryan, Roy E Ryan, Donald R Sahly, Charles C Sandefur, Byron Scheuneman, Don C Schneider, Dolores E Slikkers, Virginia L Smith, Ardis D Stenbakken, Richard O Stenbakken, Robert L Swezey, Mack Tennyson, G Ralph Thompson, Athal H Tolhurst, Max A Trevino,

Ulrich Unruh, Mario Veloso, Juan Carlos Viera, D Ronald Watts, Ralph S Watts Jr, Bertil Wiklander, Neal C Wilson, Ted N C Wilson, Edward E Wines, Kenneth H Wood, Naomi A Yamashiro, F Martin Ytreberg, James W Zackrison.

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DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

The devotional message entitled “The Seven Last Words of Christ (#4 and #5)” was presented by Angel Manuel Rodriquez, Associate Director of the Biblical Research Institute.

Jesus addressed first His mother and then His Father. While agonizing on the cross, Jesus thought about His family. He looked at Mary and saw her pain; she was hurting. The Father seemed to be distant, unapproachable, inaccessible. Was He hurting too? Jesus gave to His mother what He was craving for—namely love, concern, companionship. Then He reached out to His Father. He spoke to Him and the response was silence, perhaps the silence of a broken relationship.

His mother! I wonder about her thoughts as she looks at her Son on the cross. Perhaps she thinks about His miraculous birth, or His early years at home, or the moment He left to initiate His ministry. She had great hopes for Him. The angel had planted seeds of hope in her heart. He was the Saviour, the Son of David, the King of Israel. But, today He is on the cross, identified as King, but *dying slowly and rejected by all*. Jesus looks at her. He knows her very well. His words address her real need: “Women, behold your son.”

Jesus’ words indicate that Mary is particularly concerned about her future; she fears being left alone. Joseph is gone and now Jesus is dying. In a few hours she will be left alone, without anyone to care and provide for her. Her future is uncertain and dark. Jesus understands her unspoken fears and He speaks kindly and lovingly to the one His Father chose to be His mother. No, she is not alone. He is still there for her. In the midst of His agonizing experience, Jesus initiates a legal transaction. He uses what appears to be an adoption formula. Mary needs a son, and He provides one for her. “Woman, behold your son!” She understands. And the disciple accepts the legal responsibility entrusted to him by the Master. She is no longer alone. The disciple who was closest to Jesus, the one who perhaps had become more like Jesus than any other, becomes the son of Mary. He takes her home.

Jesus did not want Mary to experience what He was experiencing—loneliness and God’s forsakenness. While on the cross and because of it, He mediated to her companionship and comfort. Mary had no role to play in the saving act performed by Jesus on the cross. She could go home with the disciple. But Jesus, He will go into the darkest regions of human horror with no one to comfort Him. Without His excruciating pain He could not alleviate, and eventually eliminate once and for all, Mary’s personal pain and fear. She can go home, but He will go down deep into the tomb.

Jesus provided for Mary what she needed, but there was no one to provide for His personal need. In fact, no one could have provided for it. He was the rejected one. He had

vicariously become the "wicked." He who had no sin was made sin for us (2 Cor 5:21). Therefore, His question addressed to the Father is of unparalleled importance. It was an expression of undescrivable anguish from One who felt the extreme pain of total separation from the Father.

Yet, the question is not so much about how He felt, but about how God felt. God was treating Him in a peculiar way, totally inconsistent with the way He related to Him throughout eternal ages. God and Christ were experiencing something new, unique, and extremely painful to the Godhead.

We tend to reflect only on the anguish Christ went through as He bore the sins of the world, but we think little about the impact of that experience on God Himself. The phrase "to bear sin" is a technical one meaning to be responsible for sin and liable to punishment. On the cross God, through Christ, assumed responsibility for the sins of the world and their penalty. This was not a metaphor or a way of speaking, but reality itself. Sin was in fact placed on the Sinless One, holiness and uncleanness came into direct contact with each other, and out of that mysterious encounter and confrontation atonement was made for us. The Holy One remained holy and the unclean remained unclean, yet holiness overcame sin and impurity.

On the cross "justice demanded the sufferings of man; but Christ rendered the sufferings of God" (FLB 102). The God who suffered was not only the Son, but the Godhead: "The Omnipotent God suffered with His Son" (UL 223). "The Lord of glory was put to a most shameful death, and God himself was in Christ, suffering with his only-begotten Son" (ST June 18, 1894, paragraph 4). One could perhaps say that on the cross Jesus mediated to the Godhead the penalty for our sin and to us the loving forgiveness of God. The Trinity, the three powers of heaven, participated in the redemption of the human race.

What was the nature of the suffering experienced by the Godhead which moved Christ to ask, "My God, My God, Why have You forsaken Me?" Here is where we confront the inscrutable depths of the atonement. We recognize that "the cross is a revelation to our dull senses of the pain that sin, from its very inception, has brought to the heart of God. Every departure from the right, every deed of cruelty, every failure of humanity to reach God's ideal, brings grief to heaven" (*General Conference Bulletin*, July 1, 1902, paragraph 3). Yet, it appears that on the cross God experienced something He had never before experienced: the penalty for sin. Here our understanding reaches its limits.

"In the darkest hour, when Christ was enduring the greatest suffering that Satan could bring to torture His humanity, His Father hid His face of love, comfort, and pity. In this trial His heart broke. He cried, 'My God, my God, why has Thou forsaken me?'" (MR 12:407). This is a powerful statement. It suggests that even though the Father loved His Son, His love could not

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reach Him. Ellen White adds, "It was necessary for the awful darkness to gather about His soul because of the withdrawal of the Father's love and favor; for He was standing in the sinner's place The righteous One must suffer the condemnation and wrath of God, not in vindictiveness; for the heart of God yearned with great sorrow when His Son, the guiltless, was suffering the penalty of sin. This sundering of the divine powers will never again occur throughout the eternal ages" (7BC 924).

This is one of the most profound statements I have read on the meaning of the cross, and I am not sure I understand it. One member of the Godhead was not able to experience the love of the other two members! Think about that for a moment. How could a member of the Godhead be excluded from the Trinitarian circle of divine unity and love and still have the Trinity, One God? What happened to God at that moment? What did the Godhead experience? This is not speculation, but our confrontation with the mystery of atonement.

Ellen White says there was a "sundering of the divine powers." The phrase "divine powers" is a reference to the Trinity (Ev 316, 615-17). The verb "to sunder" means more than "to separate;" it means "to break or force apart, in two, or off from a whole." It seems to include an element of violence or force. That which should have remained united is torn apart. The price paid by God for the penalty of our sin is this sundering of the divine powers whose full meaning eludes us.

I would dare to say that on the cross there was almost a breaking apart of the Trinity and divine justice was satisfied. A mediator was not available to Jesus through whom the love of God could freely flow to His Son on the cross. God was voluntarily accepting responsibility for the sins of the world and suffering the consequences. The plan of salvation pulled the Trinity apart, but not permanently. This experience of extreme pain within the Godhead took place only once and will never occur again. The mystery of the atonement is located in this impenetrable experience within God out of which came the overabundance of God's grace for the human race.

"My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" The question implies that something was happening to the Godhead. Jesus did not forsake His mother, the Father did not forsake Mary. Only the Son of God was totally forsaken. Therefore, there is no place for rejection and forsakenness in the realm of human inter-personal relationships. God restricted rejection to the intra-Trinitarian relationship, and that happened only once. Through Christ, sin and its penalty reached God; but also through Him, love, compassion, and forgiveness reached us from God.

May our Saviour and Lord be praised for ever and ever. Amen!

Jan Paulsen, Chairman, called to order the first session of the 2000 Spring Meeting.

Prayer was offered by Naomi Yamashiro, Layperson from Hawaii, and Neal C Wilson, former President of the General Conference.

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST
CHURCH

The mission statement of the Seventh-day Adventist Church was read by the Secretary of the meeting.

SEC/ADCOM/GCC to AHT

GENERAL CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (GCC-S)—
MEMBERSHIP ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, To adjust the membership of the General Conference Executive Committee (GCC-S), as follows:

Delete	Maitland, Fitzroy, Pastor NAD
Add	Unruh, Ulrich, Pastor NAD

SEC/ADCOM/00SM to AHT

217-00G EMPLOYEE REMUNERATION AND ALLOWANCE
REVIEW COMMITTEE—2000 SPRING MEETING -
APPOINTMENT

VOTED, To appoint the Employee Remuneration and Allowance Review Committee for the 2000 Spring Meeting, as follows:

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MEMBERS

Presidential

PAULSEN, JAN, Chairman
Bocala, Violetto F
Chun, Pyung Duk
Daniel, Luka T
Evans, Laurie J
Frikart, Ulrich
Huff, C Lee
Leito, Israel
McClure, Alfred C
Nagel, Ruy H
Raelly, L D
Watts, D Ronald
Wiklander, Bertil

Institutional Heads

Baker, Delbert W
Wilson, Ted N C

Laypersons

Bryant, Barbara
Lance, Harold
McNeilus, Denzil
Paulsen, Douglas
Ramirez, Ted L
Renden, Hilda N
Slikkers, Dolores E
Tennyson, Mack
Yamashiro, Naomi A

Secretariat

Baptiste, Harold W
Thompson, G Ralph

Pastors

Remmers, Rick
Unruh, Ulrich

Treasury

Rawson, Robert L, Secretary
Lemon, Robert E
Prestol, Juan R
Rose, Steven G

Union Presidents

Gordon, Malcolm D
Jones, Theodore T
Lee, Harold L
Mostert, Thomas J Jr
Parchment, Orville D
Patzer, Jere D
Sandefur, Charles
Schneider, Don C
Trevino, Max A

Departments and Services

Carter, G Tom
Rasi, Humberto M

WHT/00SM to DER

ELLEN G WHITE RESEARCH CENTER—UNIVERSITY OF
EASTERN AFRICA BARATON

VOTED, To establish an Ellen G White Research Center at the University of Eastern
Africa Baratton in Kenya, Eastern Africa Division.

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PRE/00SM to LR

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WORLD REPORT 2000—REQUEST FOR
ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

A preliminary copy of the Religious Freedom World Report 2000 was distributed to committee members. Members were requested to read the section concerning the territory in which they work and make any necessary recommendations for additions or deletions to the Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Department, in preparation for the final edition of the Religious Freedom World Report 2000.

PRE/ADCOM/GCO&DivPre&Tre00SM/00SM to JP

226-00G PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY
DEPARTMENT—ADDITIONAL ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

VOTED, To authorize the election of an additional Associate Director of the Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Department at the time of the 2000 General Conference Session, with the understanding that budgetary provisions are in place for this position.

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ADCOM/00SM to CBR-00AC

215-00G INTERNATIONAL COORDINATION AND SUPERVISION
OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST MINISTERIAL AND
THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION - REVISED

VOTED, To refer action on the document International Coordination and Supervision of Seventh-day Adventist Ministerial and Theological Education to the 2000 Annual Council, with the understanding that a copy of the 1998 Annual Council action with this title will be available for comparison.

SPD/PRE/ADCOM/00SM to LCC&AHT-05GCS

214-00G SOUTH PACIFIC DIVISION—REORGANIZATION OF
UNIONS

RECOMMENDED, To authorize reorganization of the territory of the South Pacific Division, as follows:

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1. Merge the Trans-Australian Union Conference with the Australian portion of the Trans-Tasman Union Conference to form an Australian Union Conference (in harmony with GC WP B 08 25).

2. Dissolve the Central Pacific Union Mission and redistribute its territories, as set out in paragraph 3. below.

3. Adjust the territorial boundaries of the Western Pacific Union Mission, the New Zealand portion of the Trans-Tasman Union Conference, and the former Central Pacific Union Mission (in harmony with GC WP B 07 15), which would result in the formation of the following new organizations:

a. The New Zealand Pacific Union Conference comprised of the North New Zealand Conference, the South New Zealand Conference, the Cook Islands Mission, the French Polynesia Mission, the New Caledonia Mission, and the Pitcairn Island Attached Church.

b. An expanded Western Pacific Union Mission comprised of the Eastern Solomon Islands Mission, the Western Solomon Islands Mission, the Fiji Mission, the Kiribati Mission, the Malaita Mission, the Samoa Mission, the Tonga and Niue Mission, the Tuvalu Mission, and the Vanuatu Mission.

PRE/00SM to LR

WALK AROUND THE WORLD 2000 - REPORT

May 2000 has been designated by the General Conference Administrative Committee as Adventist Drug Awareness month. As an exhibit of unity against illegal drug usage, the Walk Around the World 2000 will conclude at the General Conference Session in Toronto with a major procession walking from city hall to the convention center (a distance of about one mile). Participants are encouraged to wear their national costumes. It is expected that there will be extensive media coverage.

At 10:45 a.m. the committee was recessed, and at 11:10 a.m. it was reconvened with prayer by Jere D Patzer, President of the North Pacific Union Conference.

PRE/00SM to ACM

227-00G ADVENTIST HEALTH CARE—NORTH AMERICAN
DIVISION

Recent events in Adventist Health Care in Maryland, which have been reported in the public media, have raised concerns about the governance of Seventh-day Adventist health care institutions, including the remuneration of top health care officials.

The North American Division Committee, during its Spring Meeting of April 5, 1989, conducted an extensive review of both the organizational structure of its health system and the remuneration of top health care administrators. The same meeting authorized a remuneration plan for health care institutions which moved away from the denominational wage scale to community rates upon the recommendation of Adventist Health Systems/United States (AHS/US).

AHS/US was an organization which functioned to provide oversight, guidance, supervision, and approval of hospitals' remuneration rates, and was to receive annual reports regarding the same. This organization ceased to exist a number of years ago, and no oversight body has been established to assume its former responsibilities.

The *General Conference Remuneration Scales* booklet for January 1, 2000, pages 2 and 3, which deals with the "Philosophy of Remuneration," section 7, "Variations," and section a. "Institutional," reads as follows:

"a. Institutional—The boards/governing committees of institutions/organizations of the Church whose viability rests on their success in the commercial environment and who do not receive denominational appropriations may establish remuneration levels and/or compensation benefits (allowances) which reflect more closely the remuneration level of the local environment. Such variations shall be made within criteria established by the General Conference Executive Committee, and shall require approval of the division executive committee.

"In divisions where health care institutions are managed as separate but allied structures, the remuneration scale shall be determined by a method as approved by the division/General Conference Executive Committee."

For the above reasons, it was

VOTED, To refer all health care matters affecting North American Division-based denominational health care institutions (except for Loma Linda University Medical Center) and their subsequent remuneration scales to the North American Division.

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NAD/00SM to ACM(DIV)

SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE ACTION
REGARDING ORDINATION/COMMISSIONING

In a statement released by Alfred C McClure, President of the North American Division, the officers of the division wish to make clear that the position of the church in North American has not changed from that which was printed in the *Adventist Review* following the vote of the 1995 General Conference Session. At that time it was stated that the church in North American would not break ranks with the decision of the world Church with regard to the ordination of women. "We continue to stand by that position," explained McClure.

In recent days a news notice was released reporting on a vote of the Southeastern California Conference to issue the same ministerial credential to both men and women pastors.

"While we are supportive of efforts to end discrimination," stated McClure, "the policy of the North American Division and the General Conference is that a minister is ordained to service in the world Church and carries a credential reflecting that privilege. A minister who has not been ordained is issued credentials that are more limited in scope. The Church does not recognize an 'ordained-commissioned' ministerial credential such as that voted in Southeastern California and the North American Division officers urge that no attempts be made to blur the line between ordination and commissioning."

During discussion which followed the above clarifications, it was made clear that the General Conference maintains its commitment to the actions of the 1990 General Conference Session, and the 1995 General Conference Session relating to the ordination of women to the gospel ministry; and to the General Conference Working Policy E 05, Credentials and Licenses, in which are clearly identified the licenses and credentials which are authorized and recognized by the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and the people to whom they may be issued. The General Conference does not recognize any initiatives which move outside of these official positions.

Jan Paulsen, Chairman
Donald R Sahly, Secretary
Athal H Tolhurst, Editorial Secretary
Carol E Rasmussen, Recording Secretary

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GENERAL CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Jan Paulsen, Chairman, called to order the second session of the 2000 Spring Meeting.

Prayer was offered by Niels-Erik Andreasen, President of Andrews University.

00SM to RLR

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 1999 - REPORT

Robert L Rawson reported that 1999 was a very good year under God's blessings.

Jack E Powers, of Maner, Costerisan & Ellis, P. C. read the auditors' opinion for each of the following unitized funds:

- Money Fund
- Investment Fund
- Income Fund
- International Fund
- Emerging Markets Fund
- Pooled Life Income Fund
- Asian Equities Fund
- Global Fund I
- Global Fund II

Gary B DeBoer gave a report of the funds invested by the Investment staff, and introduced each of the staff via their pictures on the overhead screen.

Jack E Powers, of Maner, Costerisan & Ellis, P. C. read the auditors' opinion for the combined financial statements.

Robert E Lemon pointed out areas of special interest in the combined financial statements of the General Conference. He also expressed appreciation to Jack Powers and his auditing staff.

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VOTED, To accept the Audited Financial Statements of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists for the period ending December 31, 1999, and the auditors' opinions included in the reports. (The financial statements are filed with the official copy of the minutes.)

At 3:45 p.m. a meeting was called of the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists. At 3:55 p.m. the meeting of the General Conference Executive Committee was reconvened.

TRE/103-98Ga/ADCOM/StratPl&Bud99AC/99AC/103-99Ga/FinPl&Bud00SM/00SM to REL

103-00Ga OPERATING EXPENSE CAP 1999 - REPORT

In fulfillment of the requirement for the General Conference to live within an operating expense cap of 4.25 percent of gross North American Division tithe and world tithe (see GCC 91-443 and GCC 98-21), it was

VOTED, To record the report for the Operating Expense Cap 1999, as follows:

Operating Expense Cap 1999

Total income basis \$614,365,912.00
 Expense cap at 4.25 percent of total income basis \$26,110,551.00
 Expense for 1999 \$20,999,068.00
 Expense as a percentage of cap 80.42%
 Amount under the cap \$5,111,483.00

Operating Expense Cap Summary

YEAR	GROSS NAD TITHE	WORLD TITHE %	TOTAL	CAP	ACTUAL OPERATING EXPENSE	EXPENSE UNDER THE CAP	EXPENSE AS % OF CAP
4.85%*							
1992	446,977,202	2,616,378	449,593,580	21,805,289	19,152,695	2,652,594	87.84%
1993	454,792,764	2,685,069	457,477,833	22,187,675	21,083,033	1,104,642	95.02%

1994	480,730,812	2,902,438	483,633,250	23,456,213	21,918,901	1,527,312	93.45%
1995	491,795,455	3,226,237	495,021,692	24,008,552	22,098,370	1,910,182	92.04%
1996	507,406,829	2,912,685	510,319,514	24,750,496	23,073,972	1,676,524	93.23%
4.25%*							
1997	534,169,178	4,233,457	538,402,635	22,882,112	21,422,458	1,459,654	93.62%
1998	569,714,074	9,073,464	578,787,538	24,598,470	21,618,414	2,980,056	87.89%
1999	610,215,571	4,150,341	614,365,912	26,110,551	20,999,068	5,111,483	80.42%

*Six Cost Centers were removed from the CAP, reducing it from 4.85% to 4.25% (see GCC 98-21):

- 11050 Adventist World Radio
- 41215 Geoscience Research Center
- 41920 Ellen G White Estate
- 41935 Ellen G White Estate Research Centers
- 61175 Auditing Service
- 61794 TRIPS

TRE/FinPl&Bud00SM/00SM to REL

233-00G GENERAL CONFERENCE WORKING CAPITAL AND
 LIQUIDITY REPORT - 1999

VOTED, To record receipt of the 1999 General Conference Working Capital and Liquidity Report. (See report on page 00-19.)

TRE/FinPl&Bud00SM/00SM to REL(DIV)

232-00G POOLED INVESTMENT FUND BALANCE—
 DISTRIBUTION

The auditors have noted that, since there is no longer any activity in the old Pooled Investment Fund, the \$4,244,556 fund balance is available for reallocation to the operating fund.

The General Conference, in consultation with the divisions, is in the process of developing a major new accounting software (Eclipse) to be used by the denomination around the

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world. In order to make the greatest use of this software, it is felt that it would be preferable to offer it free of charge to all denominational organizations. Development costs to date total approximately US\$1.5 million. Completion cost (to add the features needed to make it meet the needs of most organizations) is anticipated to be approximately an additional US\$2 million.

VOTED, 1. To transfer the unassigned balance of the Pooled Investment Fund to an allocated function in the operating fund to cover the costs of developing the Eclipse Software program.

2. To make the balance of the Pooled Investment Fund available to cover exchange fluctuations to the General Conference operating cap during the phase-in period for the new Tithe Sharing formula.

Jan Paulsen, Chairman
Vernon B Parmenter, Secretary
Athal H Tolhurst, Editorial Secretary
Carol E Rasmussen, Recording Secretary

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS
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 Statement of Working Capital And Liquidity
 December 31, 1999 and 1998

	1999	1998
WORKING CAPITAL		
Total Current Assets	108,738,066.99	100,250,260.24
Total Current Liabilities	(32,116,900.78)	(29,819,840.68)
Total Working Capital	76,621,166.21	70,430,419.56
REQUIRED WORKING CAPITAL		
26% Unrestricted Income (Previous 12 Months) *	34,542,392.95	36,710,838.88
100% Long Term Payables**		10,936.00
Total Restricted Net Assets	15,833,724.10	14,899,301.76
Credit Net Assets of Regular Functions	16,144,374.20	10,164,887.28
Total Requirement	66,520,491.25	61,785,963.92
Working Capital Excess (Deficit)	10,100,674.96	8,644,455.64
Percent of Required Working Capital	115.18%	113.99%
LIQUIDITY STATEMENT		
Cash	53,246,422.90	45,756,341.27
Investments	31,917,249.94	32,736,406.95
Total Liquid Assets	85,163,672.84	78,492,748.22
LESS COMMITMENTS		
Current Liabilities	32,116,900.78	29,819,840.68
Total Restricted Net Assets	15,833,724.10	14,899,301.76
Credit Net Assets of Regular Functions	16,144,374.20	10,164,887.28
Total Commitments	64,094,999.08	54,884,029.72
Liquid Assets Surplus (Deficit)	21,068,673.76	23,608,718.50
Percent of Liquid Assets to Commitments	132.87%	143.02%

* 25% in 1998

**Requirement for the balance of the Long-Term Payables is covered by Other Than Operating Assets

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DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

The devotional message entitled "The Seven Last Words of Christ (#5 and #6)" was presented by G Ralph Thompson, Secretary of the General Conference.

When I was a Bible teacher students sometimes asked, "Why didn't God kill the devil?" Many people have asked that question. There are three reasons why God did not kill the devil.

1. Only God knew what was going on in Lucifer's heart. Created beings could not understand the mystery of iniquity. There is no rational explanation for why sin occurred in a sinless environment, in heaven itself. One-third of the angels believed that Lucifer was right. If God had immediately killed Lucifer, the created beings would always have wondered who was really right.

2. God did not immediately kill Lucifer because fear would have become the basis of worship. For the rest of eternity, everyone would say: "Don't question God. See what He did to Lucifer?"

3. God only accepts worship which springs from love. God had to give Lucifer the opportunity to demonstrate to the universe the error of his theory.

At the cross, Jesus said, "I thirst." "When the darkness lifted from the oppressed spirit of Christ, He revived to a sense of physical suffering, and said, 'I thirst'" (DA 754).

"The spotless Son of God hung upon the cross, His flesh lacerated with stripes; those hands so often reached out in blessing, nailed to the wooden bars; those feet so tireless on ministries of love, spiked to the tree; that royal head pierced by the crown of thorns; those quivering lips shaped to the cry of woe. And all that He endured—the blood drops that flowed from His head, His hands, His feet, the agony that racked His frame, and the unutterable anguish that filled His soul at the hiding of His Father's face—speaks to each child of humanity, declaring, It is for thee that the Son of God consents to bear this burden of guilt."—DA 755

We can never understand the agony and physical suffering of the cross. Why would the Creator, who could speak the word and be delivered, go through the suffering of the cross? He was called a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.

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God did not originate sin, but He did originate a remedy for sin. Back in the eternity of the past, it was decided that human beings would be given the choice to obey or not obey. If humans were to exercise their choice to sin, then Christ would become the Saviour. When Adam and Eve sinned, God was not taken by surprise. He had seen the entrance of sin and had made ample provision to meet the terrible emergency. John 3:16 is a fulfillment of Genesis 3:15. From Eden on, the sacrificial system looked forward to the Lamb who would be slain on the cross.

When Christ triumphantly declared on the cross, "It is finished!" a great cry of joy rang out throughout the universe. Jesus had come with the possibility of sinning, the possibility of failure. He was tempted in all points, just as we are. The temptations were real, in ways in which we cannot comprehend. The devil tempted Him to get Him to fail in His mission. But the more the devil attacked Him, the more He hung on to the promises of His Father.

With the declaration that "It is finished!" the plan of salvation reached its climax. Your salvation and mine was assured. The penalty for sin was paid. God's justice was satisfied. The battle was won at the cross, and from that moment on Satan knew his defeat was certain. Jesus had redeemed lost humanity.

"Christ was treated as we deserve, that we might be treated as He deserves. He was condemned for our sins, in which He had no share, that we might be justified by His righteousness, in which we had no share. He suffered the death which was ours, that we might receive the life which was His. 'With His stripes we are healed.'"—DA 25

Jesus can now give us hope beyond the grave. Death could not hold Him in the tomb because there was no sin in Him. He voluntarily laid His life down and voluntarily took it up. Because Jesus Christ lives, we have hope that we too shall live.

Jan Paulsen, Chairman, called to order the third session of the 2000 Spring Meeting.

Prayer was offered by Kenneth H Wood, Chairman of the Ellen G White Estate Board.

TRE/00SM to RLR&LRC(DIV)

TITHE SHARING—CONTRIBUTION PERCENTAGE REVISION

VOTED, To adopt the following schedule of tithe percentages from divisions, which in five years will result in all divisions contributing equally (2% of tithe) to General Conference operations:

1. Divisions other than the North American Division will increase their tithe percentage contributions in an equal amount from 1% to 2% over a five-year period, as follows:

2001 - From 1.00% to 1.20%
2002 - From 1.20% to 1.40%
2003 - From 1.40% to 1.60%
2004 - From 1.60% to 1.80%
2005 - From 1.80% to 2.00%

2. The North American Division will decrease its tithe percentage from 10.72% to 8% over a five-year period, as follows:

2001 - From 10.72% to 10.00%
2002 - From 10.00% to 9.50%
2003 - From 9.50% to 9.00%
2004 - From 9.00% to 8.50%
2005 - From 8.50% to 8.00%

The 8% from the North American Division includes 2% of tithe for the General Conference operations, as is the case with all other divisions. The additional 6% reflects the North American Division's continuing commitment to the worldwide work of the Church.

3. The General Conference will target an in-house cap of 2% of the world gross tithe for its operational expense, to be phased in during a period of time not to exceed 10 years.

IAD/SEC/ADCOM/00SM to MV

213-00G NORTH AND SOUTH MEXICAN UNION CONFERENCES
SURVEY COMMISSION—APPOINTMENT

VOTED, 1. To appoint a North and South Mexican Union Conferences Survey Commission to study the possibility of realigning the two current unions into three unions.

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MEMBERS*

RANZOLIN, LEO (General Vice President), Chairman
Veloso, Mario (Associate Secretary), Secretary

DeBoer, Gary B (Associate Treasurer)
Galicia, Agustin (IAD Secretary)
Leito, Israel (IAD President)
Martinborough, Gordon O (IAD Vice President)
Maury, Ramon (IAD Treasurer)

INVITEES

President, Secretary, and Treasurer of North Mexican Union Conference
President, Secretary, and Treasurer of South Mexican Union Conference

2. To schedule the commission to meet September 3 to 5, 2000 in Monterrey, Mexico.

*It is understood that commission members not reelected for the next quinquennium will be replaced on the commission by the person elected to their previous position.

SEC/ADCOM/00SM to AHT

FINANCIAL PLANNING AND BUDGETING COMMITTEE (GCC-S)—
TERMS OF REFERENCE ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, To delete a term of reference from the Financial Planning and Budgeting Committee (GCC-S), as follows:

TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. Develop and process short- and long-range strategic planning.

AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

1. Recommend to GCC.

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 GCC/SEC/ADCOM/SEC/ADCOM/ADCOM/GCDO99AC/99AC/102-99Gb/SEC/ADCOM/
 GCO&DivPre&Tre00SM/00SM to HWB-ADCOM+GCDO00AC+00AC(DIV)

102-00Ga AUTHORIZED MEETINGS 2000

RECOMMENDED, To approve the updated list of Authorized Meetings 2000 with the understanding that attendance at these meetings must also be approved by the administration of each entity, as follows:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>April 2000</u>			
26-28	Wed	Inter-American Division Survey	Miami FL
27	Thu	Strategic Planning Committee	Silver Spring MD
<u>May 2000</u>			
1,2	Mon	Oakwood College Board	Huntsville AL
10-16	Wed	Southern Asia-Pacific Division Survey	PHILIPPINES
23(am)	Tue	LLUAHSC Finance & Executive Committees	Loma Linda CA
23	Tue	LLU Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
23	Tue	LLU Board	Loma Linda CA
23(pm)	Tue	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
24	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
25	Thu	Adventist Risk Management Board	Portland OR
25	Thu	Strategic Planning Committee	Silver Spring MD
25-June 10	Thu	GC Staff Travel Moratorium	Silver Spring MD
<u>June 2000</u>			
1-17	Thu	Institute of World Mission	Montemorelos MEXICO
6(pm)	Tue	GC PARL World Affairs	Silver Spring MD
7	Wed	Strategic Planning Committee	Silver Spring MD
8(am)	Thu	R&H Executive & Finance Committees	Silver Spring MD
14	Wed	GC Staff Day	Gaithersburg MD
15(am)	Thu	LLUMC Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
15(pm)	Thu	LLU Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
19-22	Mon	Conf on Electronic Distance Learning	Silver Spring MD
22	Thu	GC & Division Presidents Council	Toronto CANADA
22	Thu	GC & Division Secretaries Council	Toronto CANADA
22	Thu	GC & Division Treasurers Council	Toronto CANADA
22-25	Thu	New Children's Curriculum Training Session	Toronto CANADA

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>June 2000 contd</u>			
23,25	Fri	GC & Division Officers	Toronto CANADA
25-29	Sun	World Ministerial Council	Toronto CANADA
29-July 8	Thu	General Conference Session	Toronto CANADA
<u>July 2000</u>			
10	Mon	Assoc of Adv Family Life Prof Board	Berrien Springs MI
11-29	Tue	Institute of World Mission	Oshawa CANADA
16-28	Sun	Faith & Learning Seminar	Loma Linda CA
18,19	Tue	IHFA Executive Committee	TANZANIA
<u>August 2000</u>			
1-6	Tue	IWM Welcome Home Seminar (Family & Teen)	Berrien Springs MI
11-26	Fri	Institute of World Mission	Collonges FRANCE
13(pm)	Sun	LLU Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
14	Mon	LLU Board	Loma Linda CA
15(am)	Tue	LLUAHSC Finance & Executive Committees	Loma Linda CA
15(pm)	Tue	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
16	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
23	Wed	Christian Record Services Board	Lincoln NE
23,24	Wed	Adventist Risk Management Board	Burlington VT
30	Wed	PPPA Board & Constituency	Nampa ID
<u>September 2000</u>			
5-15	Tue	GC Staff Travel Moratorium	Silver Spring MD
5(eve)	Tue	R&H Board Finance Committee	Hagerstown MD
6(am)	Wed	R&H Board	Hagerstown MD
11	Mon	Inst for the Prevention of Addictions Board	Loma Linda CA
11-13	Mon	Adventist Risk Management Conference	Rochester NY
11-14	Mon	R&H Open House	Hagerstown MD
14(am)	Thu	LLUMC Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
14	Thu	Human Resources Workshop	Rochester NY
14(pm)	Thu	LLU Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
19,20	Tue	GC & Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
19(eve)	Tue	AGCN Operating Committee	Silver Spring MD
20(eve)	Wed	WHAST Operating Committee	Silver Spring MD
21	Thu	GC & Division Presidents Council	Silver Spring MD
21	Thu	GC & Division Secretaries Council	Silver Spring MD
21	Thu	GC & Division Treasurers Council	Silver Spring MD

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>September 2000 contd</u>			
22	Fri	GC Institution Interviews	Silver Spring MD
24	Sun	GC & Division Officers	Silver Spring MD
25(am)	Mon	ADRA Board	Silver Spring MD
25(pm)	Mon	AIAS Board & Management Committee	Silver Spring MD
26(am)	Tue	Financial Planning & Budgeting Committee	Silver Spring MD
26(pm)	Tue	Adventist World Radio Board	Silver Spring MD
26(eve)-Oct 2	Tue	Annual Council	Silver Spring MD
27(eve)	Wed	HSI/Griggs University Board	Silver Spring MD
28(eve)	Thu	IRLA Board	Silver Spring MD
<u>October 2000</u>			
1(eve)	Sun	GC PARL World Affairs	Silver Spring MD
5	Thu	Andrews University Board Constituency	Berrien Springs MI
5-21	Thu	Institute of World Mission	Berrien Springs MI
6(am)	Fri	Andrews University Board Finance Committee	Berrien Springs MI
8	Sun	Andrews University Board Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
8(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
9	Mon	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI
13-28	Fri	Institute of World Mission	Berrien Springs MI
15,16	Sun	Oakwood College Board	Huntsville AL
22	Sun	LLU Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
23	Mon	LLU Board	Loma Linda CA
24(am)	Tue	LLUAHSC Board Committees & Board	Loma Linda CA
24(pm)	Tue	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
25	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
<u>November 2000</u>			
15	Wed	Biblical Research Institute Committee	Nashville TN
29	Wed	Adventist Risk Management Board	Silver Spring MD
<u>December 2000</u>			
12(am)	Tue	LLU Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
12(pm)	Tue	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
13(am)	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
14(am)	Thu	R&H Executive & Finance Committees	Silver Spring MD

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102-00Gb AUTHORIZED MEETINGS 2001

RECOMMENDED, To approve the updated list of Authorized Meetings 2001 with the understanding that attendance at these meetings must also be approved by the administration of each entity, as follows:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>January 2001</u>			
4-20	Thu	Institute of World Mission	Loma Linda CA
8	Mon	Adventist Accrediting Association	Silver Spring MD
16-18	Tue	Global Mission Issues Committee	Silver Spring MD
31	Wed	IRLA Board	
<u>February 2001</u>			
4	Sun	LLUAHSC Constituency Meeting	Loma Linda CA
5	Mon	LLUAHSC Board	Loma Linda CA
6	Tue	LLU Board	Loma Linda CA
7	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
8(am)	Thu	Geoscience Research Institute Board	
8,9	Thu	Biblical Research Institute Committee	Loma Linda CA
14(pm)	Wed	Andrews University Executive Committee	Berrien Springs MI
15	Thu	Institute of World Mission Admin Council	Berrien Springs MI
19-22	Mon	ADRA Pan-Asia Consultation	THAILAND
21	Wed	Christian Record Services Board	Lincoln NE
23-27	Fri	PPPA & R&H ABC Marketing Seminar	East Coast
<u>March 2001</u>			
1	Thu	AIAS Board	PHILIPPINES
8	Thu	Adventist Risk Management Board	Silver Spring MD
15(am)	Thu	LLUMC Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
15(pm)	Thu	LLU Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
16(am)	Fri	Andrews University Board Finance Committee	Berrien Springs MI
18	Sun	Andrews University Board Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
18(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
19	Mon	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI

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<u>March 2001 contd</u>			
19-Apr 6	Mon	World Departmental Advisories	Silver Spring MD
21-25	Wed	International Conference on Religious Liberty	BERMUDA
22-Apr 1	Thu	International Youth Leadership Conference	Sao Paulo BRAZIL
22-Apr 7	Thu	Institute of World Mission	IVORY COAST
26-31	Mon	GC Colloquium & Travel Moratorium	Silver Spring MD
<u>April 2001</u>			
2(eve)	Mon	R&H Board Finance Committee	Hagerstown MD
2-4	Mon	GC & NAD Union Secretaries Council	Victoria BC CANADA
2-4	Mon	GC & NAD Union Treasurers Council	Victoria BC CANADA
3	Tue	R&H Constituency and Board	Hagerstown MD
3	Tue	Ministry Professional Growth Seminar	
3-6	Tue	Seminar for Financial VPs & Managers	Silver Spring MD
5	Thu	PPPA Board	Nampa ID
6-10	Fri	World Stewardship Summit	
11	Wed	Andrews University Executive Committee	Berrien Springs MI
11,12	Wed	GC Officers & Div Presidents Interviews	Silver Spring MD
13	Fri	GC & Division Presidents	Silver Spring MD
15	Sun	Financial Planning & Budgeting Committee	Silver Spring MD
16	Mon	GC Officers & Division Presidents	Silver Springs MI
16	Mon	GC PARL World Affairs	Silver Spring MD
16(eve)	Mon	AGCN Operating Committee	Silver Spring MD
17(am)	Tue	ADRA Board	Silver Spring MD
17(pm)	Tue	Adventist World Radio Board	Silver Spring MD
17(eve)	Tue	WHAST Operating Committee	Silver Spring MD
18,19	Wed	Spring Meeting	Silver Spring MD
18(eve)	Wed	HSI/Griggs University Board	Silver Spring MD
25-27	Wed	Biblical Research Institute Committee	Berrien Springs MI
30,May 1	Mon	Oakwood College Board	Huntsville AL
30-May 18	Mon	SS&PM Curriculum Subcommittee (CR&KG)	Silver Spring MD
<u>May 2001</u>			
17(pm)	Thu	Andrews University Executive Committee	Berrien Springs MI
18-20	Fri	LLU, LLUMC & LLUAHSC Board Retreats	Loma Linda CA
21(pm)	Mon	LLU Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
22(am)	Tue	LLU Board	Loma Linda CA
22(pm)	Tue	LLUAHSC Finance & Executive Committees	Loma Linda CA

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<u>May 2001 contd</u>			
23(am)	Wed	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
23(pm)	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
27	Sun	Oakwood College Constituency Meeting	Huntsville AL
30	Wed	Adventist Risk Management Board	Silver Spring MD
<u>June 2001</u>			
6-11	Wed	ADRA Pan-European Consultation	AUSTRIA
7(am)	Thu	R&H Executive & Finance Committees	Silver Spring MD
13	Wed	GC Staff Day	Gaithersburg MD
14-30	Thu	Institute of World Mission	Berrien Springs MD
21(am)	Thu	LLUMC Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
21(pm)	Thu	LLU Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
<u>July 2001</u>			
9	Mon	Assoc of Adv Family Life Prof Board	Berrien Springs MI
9-27	Mon	SS&PM Curriculum Subcommittee (Primary)	Silver Spring MD
10-15	Tue	IWM Welcome Home Seminar (Family & Teen)	Berrien Springs MI
19-Aug 4	Thu	Institute of World Mission	Bracknell ENGLAND
<u>August 2001</u>			
1-15	Wed	BRISCO Field Conference	Jerusalem ISRAEL
12	Sun	LLU Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
13	Mon	LLU Board	Loma Linda CA
14(am)	Tue	LLUAHSC Finance & Executive Committees	Loma Linda CA
14(pm)	Tue	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
15	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
16	Thu	PPPA Board	Nampa ID
22	Wed	Christian Record Services Board	Lincoln NE
22,23	Wed	Adventist Risk Management Board	Burlington VT
<u>September 2001</u>			
4-14	Tue	GC Staff Travel Moratorium	Silver Spring MD
10	Mon	Inst for the Prevention of Addictions Board	Silver Spring MD
10-12	Mon	Adventist Risk Management Conference	
10(eve)	Mon	R&H Board Finance Committee	Hagerstown MD
11(am)	Tue	R&H Board	Hagerstown MD
13(am)	Thu	LLUMC Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA

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<u>September 2001 contd</u>			
13	Thu	Human Resources Workshop	
13(pm)	Thu	LLU Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
18,19	Tue	GC & Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
18(eve)	Tue	AGCN Operating Committee	Silver Spring MD
19(eve)	Wed	WHAST Operating Committee	Silver Spring MD
20	Thu	GC & Division Presidents Council	Silver Spring MD
20	Thu	GC & Division Secretaries Council	Silver Spring MD
20	Thu	GC & Division Treasurers Council	Silver Spring MD
21,23	Fri	GC & Division Officers	Silver Spring MD
24(am)	Mon	ADRA Board	Silver Spring MD
24(pm)	Mon	AIAS Board	Silver Spring MD
24(pm)	Mon	Crisis Management Seminar	Silver Spring MD
24(eve)	Mon	Financial Statement Audit Review Committee	Silver Spring MD
25(am)	Tue	Financial Planning & Budgeting Committee	Silver Spring MD
25(pm)	Tue	Adventist World Radio Board	Silver Spring MD
25(eve)-Oct 1	Tue	Annual Council	Silver Spring MD
26(eve)	Wed	HSI/Griggs University Board	Silver Spring MD
27(eve)	Thu	GC PARL World Affairs & IRLA Board	Silver Spring MD
<u>October 2001</u>			
2,3	Tue	Risk Management Conference	Silver Spring MD
4-20	Thu	Institute of World Mission	Berrien Springs MI
5(am)	Fri	Andrews University Board Finance Committee	Berrien Springs MI
7	Sun	Andrews University Board Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
7(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
8	Mon	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI
12-15	Fri	Oakwood College Board	Orange Beach AL
21	Sun	LLU Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
22	Mon	LLU Board	Loma Linda CA
23(am)	Tue	LLUAHSC Board Committees & Board	Loma Linda CA
23(pm)	Tue	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
24	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
28(eve)-31	Sun	NAD Yearend Meeting	Silver Spring MD
<u>November 2001</u>			
6-10	Tue	South American Congress on Religious Liberty	Lima PERU

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<u>December 2001</u>			
5	Wed	Adventist Risk Management Board	Silver Spring MD
11(am)	Tue	LLU Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
11(pm)	Tue	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
12	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
13(am)	Thu	R&H Executive & Finance Committee	Silver Spring MD

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RECOMMENDED, To approve the list of Authorized Meetings 2002 with the understanding that attendance at these meetings must also be approved by the administration of each entity, as follows:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>January 2002</u>			
7	Mon	Adventist Accrediting Association	Silver Spring MD
15-17	Tue	Global Mission Issues Committee	Silver Springs MD
30	Wed	IRLA Board	
<u>February 2002</u>			
3	Sun	LLU Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
4	Mon	LLU Board	Loma Linda CA
5(am)	Tue	LLUAHSC Financial Committee & Ex Board	Loma Linda CA
5(pm)	Tue	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
6	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
7,8	Thu	Biblical Research Institute Committee	Loma Linda CA
13(pm)	Wed	Andrews University Executive Committee	Berrien Springs MI
18-Mar 8	Mon	Institute of World Mission	Loma Linda CA
20	Wed	Christian Record Services Board	Lincoln NE
22-26	Fri	PPPA & R&H ABC Marketing Seminar	East Coast
28	Thu	AIAS Board	PHILIPPINES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>March 2002</u>			
7	Thu	Adventist Risk Management Board	Silver Spring MD
14(am)	Thu	LLUMC Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
14(pm)	Thu	LLU Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
15(am)	Fri	Andrews University Board Finance Committee	Berrien Springs MI
17	Sun	Andrews University Board Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
17(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
18	Mon	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI
25-29	Mon	GC Colloquium & Travel Moratorium	Silver Spring MD
<u>April 2002</u>			
1(eve)	Mon	R&H Board Finance Committee	Hagerstown MD
2	Tue	R&H Board & Constituency	Hagerstown MD
2-5	Tue	Seminar for Financial VPs & Managers	Silver Spring MD
4	Thu	PPPA Board	Nampa ID
10,11	Wed	GC Officers & Div Presidents Interviews	Silver Spring MD
12	Fri	GC & Division Presidents	Silver Spring MD
14	Sun	Financial Planning & Budgeting Committee	Silver Spring MD
15	Mon	GC Officers & Division Presidents	Silver Springs MI
15(eve)	Mon	AGCN Operating Committee	Silver Spring MD
16(am)	Tue	ADRA Board	Silver Spring MD
16(pm)	Tue	Adventist World Radio Board	Silver Spring MD
16(eve)	Tue	WHAST Operating Committee	Silver Spring MD
17,18	Wed	Spring Meeting	Silver Spring MD
17(eve)	Wed	HSI/Griggs University Board	Silver Spring MD
18	Thur	GC PARL World Affairs	Silver Spring MD
24-26	Wed	Biblical Research Institute Committee	Berrien Springs MI
29,30	Mon	Oakwood College Board	Huntsville AL
29-May 17	Mon	SS&PM Curriculum Subcommittee (CR&KG)	Silver Spring MD
<u>May 2002</u>			
16(pm)	Thu	Andrews University Executive Committee	Berrien Springs MI
19	Sun	LLU Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
20	Mon	LLU Board	Loma Linda CA
21(am)	Tue	LLUAHSC Finance & Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
21(pm)	Tue	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
22	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
29	Wed	Adventist Risk Management Board	Silver Spring MD

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>June 2002</u>			
4-8	Tue	IRLA World Congress	Cebu PHILIPPINES
5-10	Wed	ADRA Pan-Africa Consultation	KENYA
6(am)	Thu	R&H Executive & Finance Committee	Silver Spring MD
12	Wed	GC Staff Day	Gaithersburg MD
13-28	Thu	Institute of World Mission	Berrien Springs MD
20(am)	Thu	LLUMC Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
20(pm)	Thu	LLU Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
<u>July 2002</u>			
8	Mon	Assoc of Adv Family Life Prof Board	Berrien Springs MI
8-26	Mon	SS&PM Curriculum Subcommittee (Primary)	Silver Spring MD
<u>August 2002</u>			
2-6	Fri	Biblical Research Institute Science Council	
11	Sun	LLU Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
12	Mon	LLU Board	Loma Linda CA
13(am)	Tue	LLU Finance & Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
13(pm)	Tue	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
14	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
15	Thu	PPPA Board	Nampa ID
21	Wed	Christian Record Services Board	Lincoln NE
21, 22	Wed	Adventist Risk Management Board	Burlington VT
<u>September 2002</u>			
3-13	Tue	GC Staff Travel Moratorium	Silver Spring MD
9	Mon	Inst for the Prevention of Addictions Board	Silver Spring MD
9-11	Mon	Adventist Risk Management Conference	
9(eve)	Mon	R&H Board Finance Committee	Hagerstown MD
10(am)	Tue	R&H Board	Hagerstown MD
12(am)	Thu	LLUMC Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
12	Thu	Human Resources Workshop	Silver Spring MD
12(pm)	Thu	LLU Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
17,18	Tue	GC & Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
17(eve)	Tue	AGCN Operating Committee	Silver Spring MD
18(eve)	Wed	WHAST Operating Committee	Silver Spring MD
19	Thu	GC & Division Secretaries Council	Silver Spring MD
19	Thu	GC & Division Treasurers Council	Silver Spring MD

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>September 2002 contd</u>			
19	Thu	GC & Division Presidents Council	Silver Spring MD
20,22	Fri	GC & Division Officers	Silver Spring MD
23(am)	Mon	ADRA Board	Silver Spring MD
23(pm)	Mon	AIAS Board	Silver Spring MD
23(eve)	Mon	Financial Statement Audit Review Committee	Silver Spring MD
24(am)	Tue	Financial Planning and Budgeting Committee	Silver Spring MD
24(pm)	Tue	Adventist World Radio Board	Silver Spring MD
24(eve)-30	Tue	Annual Council	Silver Spring MD
25(eve)	Wed	HSI/Griggs University Board	Silver Spring MD
26(eve)	Thu	GC PARL World Affairs & IRLA Board	Silver Spring MD
<u>October 2002</u>			
10-25	Thu	Institute of World Mission	Berrien Springs MI
4(am)	Fri	Andrews University Board Finance Committee	Berrien Springs MI
6	Sun	Andrews University Board Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
6(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
7	Mon	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI
11-14	Fri	Oakwood College Board	Orange Beach AL
18	Fri	LLU Budget & Finance Committee	Loma Linda CA
20	Sun	LLU Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
21	Mon	LLU Board	Loma Linda CA
22(am)	Tue	LLUAHSC Board Committees & Board	Loma Linda CA
22(pm)	Tue	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
23	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
<u>November 2002</u>			
<u>December 2002</u>			
4	Wed	Adventist Risk Management Board	Silver Spring MD
10(am)	Tue	LLU Executive Committee	Loma Linda CA
10(pm)	Tue	LLUMC Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
11	Wed	LLUMC Board	Loma Linda CA
12(am)	Thu	R&H Executive & Finance Committee	Silver Spring MD

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212-00G COUNCIL ON EVANGELISM AND WITNESS (GCC-S)—
APPOINTMENT

VOTED, To appoint a Council on Evangelism and Witness (GCC-S), as follows:

TERMS OF REFERENCE

AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

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|--|---|
| 1. Develop strategies for the continued affirmation and dissemination of a Bible-based theology of mission. | 1. Power to act. |
| 2. Maintain worldwide church consciousness of the primacy of evangelism and witness in church life. | 2. Power to act. |
| 3. Conduct research, reviews, and evaluations regarding effectiveness of evangelism methods and follow-up, and encourage experimentation and assessment of new approaches to evangelism. | 3. Power to act. |
| 4. Provide a forum for the exchange and coordination of evangelism plans, information, and initiatives among divisions and international evangelism agencies. | 4. Power to act. |
| 5. Identify specific ways in which the General Conference can enhance the evangelism program of the worldwide Church and also define new global evangelism initiatives. | 5. Recommend to appropriate committees through the President. |
| 6. Provide to the Executive Committee, at least annually, an assessment of global evangelistic achievements and challenges. | 6. Power to act. |

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| 7. Develop strategies to maximize evangelism results through appropriate nurture and training of new members. | 7. Recommend to GCC. |
| 8. Identify models of evangelism and evangelistic delivery which are designed for cross-cultural adaptation. | 8. Recommend to appropriate committees through the President. |
| 9. Identify the financial components and parameters for the above initiatives. | 9. Recommend to appropriate committees through the President. |

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PRE/GCO&DivPre&Tre00SM/00SM to LCC(DIV)

230-00G WORLD STEWARDSHIP SUMMIT—DATE AND INVITEES

VOTED, 1. To approve April 6 to 10, 2001 as the date for the World Stewardship Summit.

2. To approve the following invitees to the World Stewardship Summit:

General Conference officers	30
Division officers	36
Division Stewardship Department directors	12
General Conference institutions/entities involved in fund raising	8
North American Division PSI Director	1
General Conference Stewardship Department staff	5
General Conference Trust Services Department	2
Others selected by Summit Planning Committee	12
 Total Invitees	 106

PRE/ADCOM/GCDO99AC/00SM to CBR-00AC

231-00G ADVENTIST HEALTH INTERNATIONAL,
INCORPORATED

VOTED, To refer the item 231-00G Adventist Health International, Incorporated, to the 2000 Annual Council for approval.

PRE/00SM to CBR

MEETINGS WITH 1888 MESSAGE STUDY COMMITTEE, HOPE
INTERNATIONAL, HARTLAND INSTITUTE, AND REMNANT
MINISTRIES - REPORTS

Summary reports of the dialogues between representatives of the General Conference and (a) the 1888 Message Study Committee and (b) Hope International and associates (Hartland Institute, Remnant Ministries) were provided to the Spring Meeting attendees. During these dialogues it was determined that there exist major differences of significant concern in areas of

both theology and practice, between these groups and the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Meetings with these groups have now ended. The General Conference administration requested that Spring Meeting be informed concerning the conclusions reached in these meetings. The Administrative Committee will determine the appropriate response to the reports.

PRE/GCO&DivPre&Tre00SM/00SM to GRT(DIV)

234-00Ga ANNUAL COUNCIL - 2001—TO BE HELD AT GENERAL
CONFERENCE HEADQUARTERS

VOTED, To cancel arrangements to hold the 2001 Annual Council in Jakarta, Indonesia, and to instead hold it at the General Conference headquarters.

PRE/GCO&DivPre&Tre00SM/00SM to JP-GCDO00AC+00AC(DIV)

234-00Gb VENUE OF FUTURE ANNUAL COUNCILS

VOTED, To request the General Conference Executive Committee at the 2000 Annual Council to reconsider whether future Annual Councils should be held away from the General Conference headquarters.

Adjourned.

Jan Paulsen, Chairman
Mario Veloso, Secretary
Athol H Tolhurst, Editorial Secretary
Carol E Rasmussen, Recording Secretary

Robert W. Wilson
Office of General Counsel
May 19, 2000