

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 5, 1989, 10:00 a.m.

## MEMBERS PRESENT

C B Rock (Ch), D A Roth (Sec), Roy Adams, M T Bascom, M T Battle, B B Beach, M A Bediako, C E Bracebridge, Shirley Burton, W T Clark, D E Crane, G H Crumley, Eric C Fehlberg, C O Frederick, D F Gilbert, P A Gordon, R B Grady, V S Griffiths, G Gordon Hadley, J H Harris, Marion L Hartlein, Tulio R Haylock, F L Jones, H L Lee, J Lynn Martell, W L Murrill, Enoch Oliveira, Leo Ranzolin, Humberto M Rasi, G E Rice, D E Robinson, W C Scales, E H J Steed, Elizabeth A Sterndale, Iris Stober, Gary B Swanson, F G Thomas, G Ralph Thompson, O A Troy, C D Watson, A S Whiting, Ted F Wick, D S Williams, R L Woodfork, Samuel Young.

## DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

Humberto M Rasi, Associate Director of the Department of Education, presented the devotional message, reading Proverbs 16:9 as his text:

"We should make plans--counting on God to direct us.--The Living Bible.

There are three basic lessons we can learn from this text:

1. A true understanding of life and reality demand both the human and the Divine dimension.
2. God created us capable of planning our course, of choosing our way instead of floating like driftwood in denominational bureaucracy.
3. True success comes when human plans are drawn in agreement with God's overall plan--a delicate interfacing between human beings and the omnipotent God.

"All who engage in the work aright, cheerfully and hopefully, will find it a very great blessing. . . . As field after field is entered, new methods and new plans will spring from new circumstances. New thoughts will come with the new workers who give themselves to the work. As they seek the Lord for help, He will communicate with them. . . . All that is done brings to light how much more still remains to be done."--6T 476.

May 1989 be a growing year for each of us and for the General Conference Committee as we make our plans counting on God to direct us.

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Eric C Fehlberg offered prayer remembering the seriously ill and the bereaved.

## INTRODUCTIONS

Marion L Hartlein introduced G L Plubell, newly elected Associate Director of the General Conference Department of Education, and Director of K-12 for the North American Division. He has also been appointed Executive Secretary of the NAD K-12 Board. Before coming to the General Conference he served in the North Pacific Union as Director of the Department of Education.

## REPORTS

Announcement was made of the death of Adele C Warren who served as business manager of Oakwood College for 28 years, and LaVerne Schlehuber who was recently elected president of the Maritime Conference.

MINUTES of the meeting held December 29, 1988 were approved.

GCO/GCC to GRT

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE--ELECTIVE MEMBERS

VOTED, To elect the following individuals as elective members of the General Conference Committee under the provisions of Article V, Sec 1-b which provides for 60 elective members:

Warren S Banfield  
Lowell L Bock  
Wallace O Coe  
D W Holbrook  
Harold F Otis, Jr  
Robert L Woodfork

CA/GCC to SEC

## COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

VOTED, To approve the following report of the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Burtch, Perry Dean (Deferred Dental Appointee, LLU D-89)---  
Assignment to Guam SDA Clinic (FED)  
Hansen, Dan Howard (Austin, TX)---Construction Project Electrician,  
U of E Africa, Kenya (EAD)  
Puesan, Cesar Augusto (Wisconsin Conf)---Prof of Business  
Administration, Montemorelos U, Mexico (IAD) (As provided in  
D 17 25-2)

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Bosadore, Claude (EUD)---Call of AID as Coordinator, AID Translation  
Services  
Kinnersley, Dale (TED)---Call of SPD as Physician, Sopas Adv Hosp,  
Papua New Guinea (SPD)  
Kip, J P Pieter (TED) Physician/General Practice, Maluti Adv Hosp,  
SAU---Call of EAD to transfer at furlough to Kanye Hosp,  
Botswana  
Rowsell, Heath, Surgeon/Vice President for Medical Affairs, Penang  
Adv Hosp, Malaysia (FED)---Call of TED to transfer at furlough  
to Karachi Adv Hosp, Pakistan as Medical Director/Surgeon

Releases

Berkel, Johannes Jan (Hans) (SPD) from call of FED to transfer as  
Academic Dean, SDA English Language Institute, Korea (FED)  
Declined  
LaRoux, Vanessa (SAU) from call as Secretary/Computer Operator,  
Malamulo Hosp & Leprosarium, Malawi, (EAD) Declined

Permanent Returns

Berkel, Johannes Jan (Hans) Coordinator, English Language Ctr,  
Nepal (SUD) to SPD, School Closed due to Visa Problems, eff  
Nov 88  
Cook, Alvin Eric, Evangelist, Potomac Conf (NAD) to SPD,  
Retirement, eff Dec 84 (Remained in NAD)  
DuBosque, John L, Jr (Jack), Ministerial/Spirit of Prophecy  
Secretary, Tanzania Un Mission, Tanzania (EAD) to NAD, Division  
Recommendation, eff Dec 88  
Fisher, Deo Flaiz, Physician/Instructor, Pakistan Adv Seminary,  
Pakistan (TED) to NAD, Family Considerations, eff Nov 88  
Lewis, Don S, Pastor, So California Conf (NAD) to SPD, Division  
Recommendation, eff Feb 84  
Morosoli, Erwin, Pastor, Quebec (NAD) to EUD, Retirement, eff  
Jan 80 (Remained in NAD)  
Villareal, Estela, Accountant, So California Conf (NAD) to IAD,  
Marriage, eff Sep 82 (Remained in NAD)

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GCC to DFG

## GENERAL CONFERENCE HEADQUARTERS

Donald F Gilbert announced that three gas-fired air furnaces are being used in the new General Conference office to heat the building. The electricity has not been installed as promised thus making it impossible to run heavy equipment in the office. It is expected that the building will have full electrical power by January 13.

Road construction on Old Columbia Pike has been taken over by Montgomery County and will begin the latter part of March. At present the storm water drain pipe from the storm water environmental pond is being constructed but very hard rock has been encountered in excavation of the area in bringing the pipeline under Old Columbia Pike to the required level.

The fire marshall has decreed that additional fire hose connections must be installed in the auditorium area and one stairway. This will result in some minimal additional cost. The County fire marshall had previously approved the plan, but has restudied the areas requiring these changes.

Frank L Jones is in Florida contacting a Seventh-day Adventist firm in regard to supplying furniture for conference rooms and other special areas of the new office.

The building construction is moving forward smoothly and on schedule.

ADCOM/GCC to EO

## INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

1. GENERAL CONFERENCE STAFFADRA

Gainer, Romulus I

Inter-American Division, Jan 9-19, 1989 to assess the rehabilitation program in Jamaica and arrange for an ADRA International Workshop.

Education

Akers, George H

Eastern Africa Division,  
Apr 16-28, 1989 to attend the

Institute for Christian College  
Teaching Seminar in Nairobi.

International Health Foods

Fehlberg, Eric C.

Southern Asia Division, Jan 15-  
Feb 9, 1989 to assist in food  
production matters. Travel and  
entertainment will be paid by  
Vegepro Food and Feeds Ltd.

Presidential

Mittleider, Kenneth J

Middle East Union, Jan 22-27,  
1989 to attend a special  
meeting of the Egypt Field.

Rock, Calvin B

South Pacific Division, Feb 14-  
26, 1989 to serve as guest  
speaker for various regions and  
ministers' meetings in the  
Greater Sydney Conference.

Treasury

Robinson, Donald E

Far Eastern Division, May 15-  
23, 1989 for an annual  
administrative visit to Guam.

2. OTHER DENOMINATIONAL WORKERS

Inter-American Division

Cole, Sidney J

Southern Asia Division, Jan 15-  
Feb 9, 1989 to assist in food  
production matters. Travel and  
entertainment will be paid by  
Vegepro Food and Feeds Ltd.

Loma Linda University

White, Ruth M

South American Division,  
Jan 17-Feb 7, 1989 to conduct a  
final evaluation of the ADRA  
demonstration projects in Peru.  
Travel and entertainment will  
be paid from an Enhancement  
Grant.

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North American Division

Gulley, Norman R  
(Southern Coll of SDA)

Moyer, Bruce  
(Potomac Conference)

South Pacific Division, Mar 4-11, 1989 to attend regional meetings in the Greater Sydney Conference. Travel and entertainment will be paid by the Greater Sydney Conference. Inter-American Division, Jan 4-19, 1989 to evaluate the Jamaica Trenchtown ADRA project. Travel and entertainment will be paid by ADRA International.

3. SPECIALS

Eldridge, Paul H  
(Retiree)

Far Eastern Division, Mar 24-Apr 1, 1989 to be the guest speaker at the East and West Japan Conference Camp Meetings. Travel and entertainment will be paid by the Japan Union Conference.

Nagel, Sherman A and wife  
(Retiree)

Africa-Indian Ocean Division, Jan 5-20, 1989 to hold an evangelistic campaign. Funding will come from Nagel's private funds, the Nigerian Union, and the local mission.

USSR

Stele, Artur

Euro-Africa Division, Jan 17-19, 1989 to attend the ADRA meeting in Darmstadt. Travel expenses will be paid by the SDA Church in the USSR and other expenses by Marienhoehe Seminary.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

Rasi, Humberto M

Inter-American Division, Jan 10-22, 1989 instead of the dates previously voted.

Spangler, J Robert

Southern Union Mission, Mar 1-15, 1989 and South African

Union Conference, Mar 15-29,  
1989 instead of dates  
previously voted.

ADCOM/GCC to FGT

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE (ADCOM) (GCC-S)—  
MEMBERSHIP ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, To adjust the membership of the Administrative Committee  
(ADCOM) (GCC-S) as follows:

Add	Appenzeller, R E Bresee, W Floyd Sterndale, Elizabeth
Delete	Griffiths, Victor S Flowers, Karen Ramsey, George R

EAC/ADCOM/GCC to FGT

EASTERN ASIA COMMITTEE (GCC-S)—MEMBERSHIP ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, To adjust the membership of the Eastern Asia Committee  
(GCC-S), as follows:

Add	Burton, Shirley
Delete	Nixon, Robert W

GCO/ADCOM/GCC to FGT

GENERAL CALLS

VOTED, To record the following calls involving the General  
Conference or its institutions:

Grady, W Lee (General Conference/ADRA)—Endowment Fund  
Development Director, Oregon Conference

Otis, Harold L Jr (Review and Herald)—Assistant to the General  
Conference President for Special Projects

Otis, Rose (Review and Herald)—Assistant Director, General  
Conference Department of Communication; Public Relations  
Assistant for Special Projects

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ACM/GCC to CEB

#### ECCLESIASTICAL ENDORSEMENTS

VOTED, To accept the recommendation of the Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries (including the National Service Organization Committee) and grant ecclesiastical endorsement to the following ordained ministers:

Bray, J Daniel (Man-Saskatchewan Conf)—Active duty chaplain,  
US Army  
Castanon, Eliezer (West Puerto Rico Conf)—Active duty chaplain,  
US Air Force  
Ellithorpe, James O (New York Conf)—Active duty chaplain,  
US Navy  
Tomlinson, Michael T (Ark-Louisiana Conf)—Active duty chaplain  
US Navy

GCC to CBR-GCO

#### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE—ROLE

The need was expressed for better communication to members of the General Conference Executive Committee of information on major actions that are taken by institutional boards. The General Conference Executive Committee serves in place of the world constituency between General Conference Sessions. Even though the institutions are governed by constituencies and boards, some members of the General Conference Committee in most cases are members of these constituencies and should therefore be well informed of the actions taken.

It was also suggested that the relationship between the General Conference Executive Committee and other committees and institutional boards needs definition. After considerable discussion, it was

VOTED, To request the General Conference Officers to give study to

1. A procedure to ensure open lines of communication between General Conference institutions and members of the General Conference Executive Committee.

2. The relationship between the General Conference Executive Committee and subsidiary organizational boards and committees.

The suggestion was made that perhaps this item could be discussed at the forthcoming General Conference Colloquium, March 8-11, 1989.

Adjourned

Calvin B Rock, Chairman  
D A Roth, Secretary  
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 12, 1989, 10:00 a.m.

## MEMBERS PRESENT

R J Kloosterhuis (Ch), D A Roth (Sec), Roy Adams, Karl H Bahr, M T Bascom, W Floyd Bresee, Shirley Burton, W T Clark, D E Crane, G H Crumley, R L Dale, D F Gilbert, R B Grady, V S Griffiths, J H Harris, F L Jones, M J Murray, W L Murrill, Enoch Oliveira, R W Olson, R E Osborn, S H Parker, G R Ramsey, G E Rice, P G Smith, J R Spangler, E H J Steed, Elizabeth A Sterndale, C R Taylor, F G Thomas, G Ralph Thompson, O A Troy, C D Watson, Ted F Wick, M K Widmer, D S Williams, F Donald Yost.

## DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

Robert J Kloosterhuis read Psalm 121 from the Revised Standard Version as his text.

We live in troublous times when we hear of tragedies and destruction in many places. We might become accustomed to the horrors of the daily news and although we preach the second coming of Jesus, in our hearts feel that His coming is far in the future. May God help us finish the task, sustained by His precious promise, " . . . The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and for evermore." (Psalm 121:8).

E H J Steed offered prayer.

## INTRODUCTIONS

Elizabeth A Sterndale introduced Dr Muriel Chapman who has served in the medical work of the Church both in North America and in Thailand. At present she is working in the archives of the General Conference in order to secure material for a book she is writing on the history of Seventh-day Adventist nursing.

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MINUTES of the meeting held January 5, 1989 were approved.

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TRE/GCO/GCC to DFG

MEGA MEXICO EVANGELISM - APPROPRIATION

VOTED, To grant \$50,000 from the General Conference Evangelism Fund to the Inter-American Division for Mega Mexico Evangelism.

GCO/GCC to RLD

ANNUAL COUNCIL 1991 SCHEDULE

VOTED, To approve the following schedule of meetings for the 1991 Annual Council to be held in Perth, Australia:

Thursday	Sept 26	-	GC & Division Officer Interviews
Friday	Sept 27	-	GC & Division Officer Interviews
Sabbath	Sept 28		
Sunday	Sept 29	-	GC & Division Officer Interviews
Monday	Sept 30	-	GC & Div Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers
Tuesday	Oct 1	-	GC & Div Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers
Wednesday	Oct 2	-	GC & Division Officers
Thursday	Oct 3	-	GC & Division Officers
Friday	Oct 4	-	GC & Division Officers
Sabbath	Oct 5		
Sunday	Oct 6	-	GC & Division Officers & Union Presidents
Monday	Oct 7	-	GC & Division Officers & Union Presidents
Tuesday	Oct 8-15		Annual Council

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

VOTED, To approve the following report of the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Cooper, Peter (Calimesa, CA)--Director, Gambia Mission Station (AID)  
Giebel, Harald U G (Yucaipa, CA)--Physician/Surgeon, Mwami Adv Hosp, Zambia (EAD)  
Wagner, William (Loma Linda, CA)--Physician/Medical Director, Kendu Adv Hosp, Kenya (EAD)

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Forde, Ronald Ethelberg, Dentist, Lubumbashi Dental Clinic, Zaire, AID--Call of EAD to transfer after furlough to Adv Dental Practice, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

Kettilsland, Anita (TED)—Request of AID as Physiotherapist,  
Masanga Leprosy Hosp, Sierra Leone, AVS/AAV basis, 4 yrs  
Kettilsland, Gjermund (TED)—Request of AID as Maintenance  
Department Director, Masanga Leprosy Hosp, Sierra Leone,  
AVS/AAV basis, 4 yrs  
Kip, J P Pieter (Peter) (TED) Physician/General Practice, Maluti  
Adv Hosp, SAU—Reassign to transfer from Kanye Hosp, Botswana  
to Gimbie Hosp, Ethiopia as Physician/General Practice (EAD)  
Lara, Oswaldo (SAD)—Reassign from Ishaka Hosp, Uganda to Gimbie  
Hosp, Ethiopia as Staff Physician/Surgeon (EAD)  
Lingayon, Eliezer (FED)—Call of AID as Mechanical Arts Teacher,  
Adv Missionary Col, Ghana

Releases

Elliott, Keith Bradley from appt as Agricultural Technician, Minas  
Gerais Adv Academy, Brazil (SAD) Declined

Permanent Returns

Berkel, Johannes Jan (Hans)—Correction of effective PR date to  
Feb 1, 89  
Cook, Alvin Eric to SPD—Dec 1, 1984, termination date for NAD  
responsibility for returning to base division  
Green, Don Jeffrey (son, Robert Jon Green, U of E Africa, Kenya)  
(EAD) to NAD, Education, eff Aug 88  
Morosoli, Erwin to EUD—Jan 1, 1980, termination date for NAD  
responsibility for returning to base division  
Sterner, Jerry Lynn, ABC/HHES Coordinator, E African Un, Kenya  
(EAD) to NAD, Family Considerations, eff Mar 89  
Vail, Wayne Royce, Auditor, Division office (AID) to NAD, Call to  
General Conf, eff Jan 89

TED/BBB/GCC to FLJ

TRANS-EUROPEAN DIVISION, EINDHOVEN EVANGELISTIC  
CENTER, HOLLAND - FINANCIAL PLAN APPROVED

On the recommendation of the Trans-European Division,

VOTED, To approve the financial plan presented for the  
construction of the Eindhoven Evangelistic Center, Eindhoven, Holland,  
at a cost of 1,089,321.60 guilders (approximately \$500,000), with funds  
on hand.

GCC to DFG

GENERAL CONFERENCE HEADQUARTERS

Donald F Gilbert reported that the Maryland Natural Gas line is  
three feet off from the stated location according to the gas company

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records. In relation to the storm water drain pipe that is passing under Old Columbia Pike, the natural gas line comes where a drain and grease separator has been located in the road design. Discussions are in progress to find a solution to the problem. It is anticipated the gas company will be responsible for any additional expense.

Windows have been installed near the lobby, the drywall is being sealed on the third floor, and work on the second floor is beginning to move forward quickly. Interior finishing is being completed from the top floor downward with the bottom floor last. Arrangements have been made with the Herman Miller Company for 27 semi-trucks to carry the systems furniture from Michigan. They will begin shipping approximately March 7. More than 500 offices will be furnished in this way.

Gilbert also stated that he met with some of the leaders of the Forcey Memorial Church in regard to using their parking lot as a park and ride lot until the County has completed the one on Greencastle. They indicated their willingness to approve the request which will be discussed at their board meeting later this month. The County will put in paving and lighting. With this parking lot (over 200 spaces), the 155 spaces in our own lot and the space at St Mark's Episcopal Church lot, there will be sufficient space to care for our park and ride needs to insure occupancy when the building is ready.

Gilbert also mentioned that there is a buyer for the North Building. The building would be available to the buyer between June and July and the General Conference would not pay rent. The new owner will not take possession of the Maryland property until it is vacated by the Church.

ADCOM/GCC to EO

#### INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

1. GENERAL CONFERENCE STAFF

ADRA

Dysinger, P William

Africa-Indian Ocean Division,  
Mar 5-28, 1989 for project  
evaluations.

Inter-American Division and  
South American Division,  
Apr 20-May 21, 1989 for ADRA

Workshop and to help present  
Food Workshop.

Jenson, William H

Euro-Africa Division, Jan 29-  
Feb 17, 1989 for Pre-  
feasibility study for a  
possible PL480 Title II Program  
in Angola and review present  
Office of Foreign Disaster Aid  
Emergency Relief Program in  
Mozambique.

Auditing

Dennis, David D

Trans-European Division,  
Mar 1-12, 1989 to assist with  
Auditors meeting.

Far Eastern Division, May 23-  
July 2, 1989 for auditing and  
seminars.

Church Ministries

Smith, Paul G

Africa-Indian Ocean Division,  
Apr 27-May 31, 1989 to conduct  
Stewardship Seminars.

Health and Temperance

Carman, Eldon E

Eastern Africa Division,  
Jan 13-Feb 10, 1989 to conduct  
a dental clinic survey.

Trust Services

Carter, Thomas G

Africa-Indian Ocean Division,  
Eastern Africa Division, Feb 1-  
19, 1989 for Trust Services  
meetings.

2. ADJUSTMENTS

Moseanko, Rich

Eastern Africa Division, Middle  
East Union, Feb 6-20, 1989  
instead of dates previously  
voted.

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TRE/ADCOM/GCC to DFG&FGT

GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION 1990 PHYSICAL ARRANGEMENTS  
COMMITTEE (GCC-S)--MEMBERSHIP ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, To adjust the membership of the General Conference Session  
1990 Physical Arrangements Committee (GCC-S) as follows:

Add	Adams, Elvin E Bresee, W Floyd Burton, Shirley de Leon, Linda Griffiths, V S Knowles, G E Peters, Evadeane Pinnick, Kathleen Stephenson, J M Trimarchi, J P Troy, Owen A van Putten, M C Wall, Clinton Yost, F Donald Young, Samuel Associate Director, Children's Ministries Associate Treasurer, TRIPS
Delete	Craig, Helen C Hare, Patti Holbrook, D W Nixon, R W Onoffrey, Jodi Wilkins, J F

PUB/ADCOM/GCC to FGT

HENNING, RUDI H--FURLOUGH

VOTED, To approve a regular two-month furlough for Rudi H and  
Edith Henning to Germany, Euro-Africa Division, from May 21 through  
July 20, 1989.

SpProph/GCC to SY

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY BOOK SUBSIDIES

VOTED, To grant the following request for subsidies for the  
printing of condensed editions of Spirit of Prophecy books:

Africa-Indian Ocean Division

	<u>Language</u>	<u>Pages</u>	<u>Copies</u>	<u>Subsidy</u>
<u>Patriarchs and Prophets</u>	Kinyarwanda	551	10,000	\$ 7,714.00
<u>Prophets and Kings</u>	Kinyarwanda	377	10,000	5,278.00
<u>Desire of Ages</u>	Kinyarwanda	556	10,000	7,784.00
<u>Acts of the Apostles</u>	Kinyarwanda	314	10,000	4,396.00
<u>The Great Controversy</u>	Kinyarwanda	420	10,000	<u>5,880.00</u>
	Total			\$31,052.00

Adjourned

Robert J Kloosterhuis, Chairman  
D A Roth, Secretary  
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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## MEMBERS PRESENT

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## DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

Kenneth J Mittleider read Mark 14:1-9, the account of Jesus at the feast in Simon's house and the anointing of His feet by Mary. Portions of the text quoted below are from Phillips' translation.

Because of the raising of Lazarus, "The chief priests and the scribes were trying to think of some trick by which they could get Jesus into their power and have him executed. 'But it must not be during the festival,' they said, 'or there will be a riot.'"

Jesus was sensitive to the feelings of others. When Mary anointed His head and feet (at great personal sacrifice) and "there was a murmur of resentment against her. . . . Jesus said, 'Let her alone, why must you make her feel uncomfortable?'" He also did not reveal Simon's past but by the story He told, Simon knew He read his life as an open book.

The resentment of those present was due to their not understanding the motive behind the anointing. Similarly, before we say something in a critical spirit, we should try to understand the motive and be tolerant of those whose ideas are different from our own. May ours ever be a service of love.

George H Crumley and Elizabeth Sterndale offered prayer making special mention of the North American Division Church Ministries meeting being held in Florida at this time, as well as remembering especially the sick and the bereaved among us.

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MINUTES of the meeting held January 12, 1989 were approved.

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CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

VOTED, To approve the following report of the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Davidian, Richard Dale (Andrews U)—Academic Dean, SDA English Language Institute, Korea (FED)  
George, David Scott (ADRA Worker, Khartoum, Sudan)—Regularize appt eff Aug 85 (MEU)

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Balusson, Jean Francois (EUD)—Call of SAD as Director, Agriculture Program, Pucallpa Adv Agro-Industrial Academy, Peru, eff Aug 88

Releases

Leong, Shee Keong from appt to Penang Adv Hosp, Malaysia as Pediatric Physician on basis of natl returning (FED) Declined

Permanent Returns

Collins, Gary Douglas (son, B N Collins, FED) Singapore (FED) to SPD, Education, eff Jul 89

GCC to DAR

DOUGHERTY FAMILY - CONDOLENCES

The Midland Airways disaster in England claimed the life of Mrs Evelyn Dougherty. Her husband is still in serious condition.

VOTED, To express condolences to William Dougherty and other members of the family and to the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Coleraine, Ireland, upon the death of Mrs Evelyn Dougherty.

ADCOM/GCC to EO

INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

1. GENERAL CONFERENCE STAFF

ADRA

Moseanko, Rich A

Inter-American Division,

Jan 17-25, 1989 to close the  
USAID ADRA project.

Church Ministries

Bingham, Graham

South Pacific Division, Mar 24-  
Apr 16, 1989 to participate in  
the New South Wales Camp  
Meeting, make contacts at  
Avondale College, and attend  
the World Health Food Seminar.

Communications

Haylock, Tulio R

Africa-Indian Ocean Division  
and Euro-Africa Division,  
Jan 15-Feb 8, 1989 to attend  
Adventist World Radio meetings.

Health and Temperance

Pelton, Raymond L

South American Division,  
Apr 16-June 6, 1989 for  
consultation and evaluation of  
medical institutions and to  
conduct seminars.

Presidential

Otis, Harold F Jr

France, Austria, Finland, and  
the USSR, Feb 1-26, 1989 to  
purchase equipment for the new  
press in the USSR and to  
explore the possibility of a  
health food factory.

Otis, Rose M

France, Austria, Finland, and  
the USSR, Feb 1-26, 1989 to  
assist in training church  
leaders and to work with Soviet  
editors on a new health  
journal.

Reynolds, Donald G

South American Division,  
Feb 10-21, 1989 to conduct  
Christian Leadership Seminars.

Rock, Calvin B

Inter-American Division,  
Mar 21-25, 1989 to participate

in the Franco-Haitian Union  
Quinquennial Session.

2. OTHER DENOMINATIONAL WORKERS

Andrews University

Dudley, Roger L

Trans-European Division,  
June 28-July 7, 1989 to attend  
Adventist Teachers' Seminars.  
The West Nordic Union, Swedish  
Union, and British Union will  
pay travel and entertainment.

Johnston, Robert M

Trans-European Division,  
June 12-July 7, 1989 to lecture  
at Newbold College. Newbold  
College will pay travel and  
entertainment.

LaRondelle, Hans K

Euro-Africa Division, Mar 10-  
19, 1989 to attend the annual  
assemblies of the German and  
French Swiss Conferences. The  
Swiss Union will pay travel and  
entertainment.

Miles, Norman K

Trans-European Division, May 2-  
7, 1989 to attend the North  
British Conference Camp  
Meeting. The British Union  
will pay travel and  
entertainment.

Oosterwall, Gottfried

Euro-Africa Division, Oct 11-  
14, 1989 to celebrate the  
centenary of the SDA Church in  
Hamburg, Germany. EUD will pay  
travel and entertainment.

Saliba, Slimen

Inter-American Division, Jan 13  
and 14, 1989 to participate in  
a Hospital Administrators  
Seminar. IAD will pay travel  
and entertainment.

Christian Record Services

Bretsch, Vernon L

Inter-American Division,  
June 8, 1989 to attend the

Division Mid-Year Meetings to  
be held at Montemorelos  
University.

Loma Linda University

Nelson, Donovan C

Far Eastern Division, Jan 18-  
30, 1989 to visit all hospitals  
in the Philippines, to do an  
X-ray equipment evaluation  
survey, and to conduct  
diagnostic tests on equipment.  
Philippine hospitals will pay  
travel and entertainment.

Review and Herald Publishing Association

Bowen, George L

France, Austria, and the USSR,  
Feb 1-14, 1989 to negotiate and  
assist with the purchase of  
press equipment for the USSR  
and help to lay plans for the  
new press. The General  
Conference will pay travel and  
entertainment.

3. Adjustments

Presidential

Reynolds, Donald G

Eastern Africa Division,  
Apr 24-May 13, 1989 instead of  
dates previously voted.

PER/ADCOM/GCC to GHC-RetirePlan

WOODFORK, ROBERT L--RETIREMENT

RECOMMENDED, To grant NAD Retirement Plan benefits to Robert L  
Woodfork following 44.84 years of service, effective March 1, 1989.

GCC to DAR

WOODFORK, ROBERT L--APPRECIATION

VOTED, To express appreciation to Robert L Woodfork for nearly 45  
years of service to the Church. Beginning in 1944 until he joined the  
General Conference staff as a General Field Secretary in 1981, he

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served in pastoral-evangelistic and administrative work. Since 1985 he has served as an Associate Secretary of the General Conference.

PER/GCC to GHC-RetirePlan

KATRIB, MICHAEL Y--RETIREMENT

RECOMMENDED, To grant NAD Retirement Plan benefits to Michael Y Katrib following 33.143 years of denominational service (disability retirement).

GCC to DAR

KATRIB, MICHAEL Y--APPRECIATION

VOTED, To express appreciation to Michael Y Katrib who has given over 33 years of service to the denomination. He began his work in the Jordan Mission as a teacher and in Voice of Prophecy follow-up. He remained in the Voice of Prophecy work and became director in 1964. He continued this work in the Lebanon Mission and the East Mediterranean Field. Since 1979 he has served largely in protection services at the Washington Adventist Hospital and the General Conference.

ADCOM/GCC to FGT

GENERAL CALLS

VOTED, To record the following calls involving the General Conference or its institutions:

Ho, Edmond (FED)--Manager, RMS Field Office, Singapore

Plantier, Cheryl (PR-EAD)--Teacher Aide, Midland Adventist School, Kansas-Nebraska Conference

Rasmussen, Kenneth E (Andrews University)--Treasurer, Southwest Estate Services, Southwestern Union Conference

Adjourned

Kenneth J Mittleider, Chairman  
D A Roth, Secretary  
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 26, 1989, 10:00 a.m.

## MEMBERS PRESENT

C B Rock, (Ch), D A Roth (Sec), Roy Adams, G H Akers, R E Appenzeller, C D Brooks, Shirley Burton, G Tom Carter, G H Crumley, Eric C Fehlberg, Karen Flowers, R M Flowers, J H Harris, F L Jones, Israel Leito, R W Olson, R E Osborn, R L Pelton, G R Ramsey, Leo Ranzolin, G W Reid, A E Schmidt, A C Segovia, Iris H Stober, M C Van Puttten, C D Watson, Alan W White, A S Whiting, M K Widmer, R L Woodfork, Samuel Young.

## DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

Samuel Young, Associate Secretary of the General Conference, presented the devotional message.

"The atmosphere of unbelief is heavy and oppressive. The giddy laugh, the jesting, the joking, sickens the soul that is feeding on Christ. Cheap, foolish talk is painful to Him. . . . Those who enjoy talking should see that their words are select and well chosen. Be careful how you speak."—FE 457.

It is important for us to say something that is true and to be selective in believing what we hear. We often believe what we want to believe. Adventists are supposed to proclaim the gospel and the coming of the Lord. We do not hear this in the church as much as we used to. We do not hear many "Amens" in our church. Are we too intellectual for this now?

Those who enjoy talking should choose their words well. Let us be honest with ourselves and honest with the Lord. Only those who are honest and true will be in the Holy City.

R L Pelton offered prayer.

## REPORTS

Announcement was made of the deaths of Robert H Pierson, former president of the General Conference; Harrison S Evans, MD, who served at Loma Linda for many years; and J Lynn Martell's mother. The families were remembered in prayer.

Leo Ranzolin spent a week with the young people at La Sierra College, Loma Linda University, and Southwestern College. He found it inspirational to see students signing up for volunteer trips to the mission field and to observe the spirit in which they were doing it.

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R E Appenzeller just returned from a trip to the Canadian Literature Evangelist Institute. He reported that a few years ago there was no literature work in Quebec. This year it was well represented with 16 full-time literature evangelists from that area. Three people who were contacted by some of these workers were baptized in Quebec, and 11 baptisms in Ontario were a result of the work of literature evangelists.

G W Reid just returned from an itinerary in India. Eighteen months ago a pastor was sent into an area that was a citadel of Hinduism. There were no Adventists in this city of over one million people, no church, no work, and no interest. Then this pastor was sent in to begin the work. He now has 50 people meeting in three different homes on Sabbath and finds it fairly easy to interest people in studying the Bible. Last year there were 9 baptisms—5 Hindus, 2 Sikhs, and 2 Muslims. The pastor's wife began a church school and has 28 students attending.

Reid also visited Nepal. Even though our hospital there is not very large and the facilities are limited, many influential people wait for a bed there instead of going to a government hospital because of the Christian atmosphere and care received in our hospital.

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MINUTES of the meeting held January 19, 1989 were approved.

GCC to DAR

PIERSON, ROBERT H—CONDOLENCES TO FAMILY

Robert H Pierson, former President of the General Conference, passed away on January 21 in Hawaii where he was serving as a volunteer pastor. When he retired it was not to a rocking chair but to speaking appointments and many volunteer assignments overseas. Several committee members spoke of the encouragement he had given to them when they were young workers. They spoke of his leadership, his love for children, his gentleness, and his dedication. He was an inspiration to those who worked and associated with him. His work was very much appreciated and he will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

VOTED, To extend condolences to the family of Robert H Pierson during this time of bereavement.

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EVANS, HARRISON S--CONDOLENCES TO FAMILY

Harrison S Evans served for many years as chairman of the Department of Psychiatry and last served as vice president for medical affairs at Loma Linda University. In his very quiet way he was instrumental in bringing the staff together on a number of important decisions in regard to the university and medical center. He, too, was very much appreciated for his contribution to the work of the Church.

VOTED, To extend condolences to the family of Harrison S Evans during this time of bereavement.

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTERS

VOTED, To approve the following report of the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Lantry, Jay Harold (Upper Col Conf)--Education Teacher, Bangladesh Adv Seminary and College (FED)  
McLane, Gerard Douglas (Hinsdale Hosp)--Health Educator, Youngberg Adv Hosp, Singapore (FED)

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Maldonado, Sergio (SAD)--Call of AID as Physician/Surgeon, Koza Adv Hosp, Republic of Cameroun  
Taylor, David Maurice (SPD)--Request of FED as Pastor-Teacher, Htee Thay Kee, Thailand Mission (FED) AVS basis, 1 yr  
Taylor, Helen (SPD)--Request of FED as Bible-English Teacher, Htee Thay Kee, Thailand Mission (FED) AVS basis, 1 yr

Releases

Maldonado, Sergio (SAD) from call as Medical Director, Bere Health Center, Chad (AID) Declined  
Paget, Isabel (SPD)--from call as Nurse-Tutor, Kendu Adv Hosp, Kenya (EAD) Declined

Permanent Returns

Green, Robert Jon, Chairman, Education Dept, University of Eastern Africa, Kenya (EAD) to NAD, Budgetary consideration, eff June 89  
Heldt, Jean-Paul Andre, Ophthalmologist, Montemorelos University, Mexico (IAD) to NAD, Budgetary consideration, eff Feb 89  
Yialelis, Leland Wesley, President, Greek Mission, Greece (TED) to NAD, Education, eff Jan 89

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## EXCHANGE RATES

VOTED, To approve the following adjustments to fixed rates of exchange, effective February 1, 1989:

<u>Division/Union</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Local Currency Units Per US \$</u>	<u>US \$ Per Local Currency Units</u>
Africa Indian Ocean	CFA	315.00	.003174
Eastern Africa Zimbabwe	ZWD	1.96	.510204
Euro-Africa France	FFR	6.30	.158730
Switzerland	SFR	1.55	.645151
Middle East Union Cyprus	CYL	.475	2.105263
South Africa Union	ZAR	2.37	.421940
South America Brazil	BRZ	1.35	.740740
Trans-European Britain	L	.564971	1.77

GCC to FLJ

## GENERAL CONFERENCE HEADQUARTERS

F L Jones reported that the electric power was turned on last Friday. The electricians are rushing to complete their work. The dry wall is going up rapidly and soon will be ready to size and paint.

Jones stated he has been working with the county for a long time on the parking lot. He is hoping that a bid will be accepted for it on April 1. Even though the General Conference is paying the bill, the county controls the work and the acceptance of bids. The county has stated that if the job is substantially started by April 15, it will not delay the move to the new building. Jones is still hoping that the move to the new headquarters will take place on April 15.

Four men met with the people from the Forcey Memorial Church. It was agreed that the church's parking lot could be used free of charge five days a week once the resurfacing has been completed. This will provide parking for 200 cars.

The bricklayers will leave on Monday. The carpeting people are ready to come in as soon as the building is ready.

Bids have come in on the North Building and it is highly likely that the price the General Conference has been asking will be realized. Negotiations still have to be completed on the sale and date the new owner can occupy the building. The Lord has blessed. By releasing the first buyer from the purchase of the North Building the General Conference will realize a sizable profit from both the sale and from not having to pay rent before the move to the new building.

ADCOM/GCC to EO

#### INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

1. GENERAL CONFERENCE STAFF

ADRA

Gainer, Romulus I  
Ochoa, Mario H  
Watts, Ralph S Jr

Inter-American Division,  
Apr 12-28, 1989 to attend the  
ADRA International Workshop in  
the Dominican Republic.

Buhler, Gordon  
Flemmer, Kenneth D  
Havens, Douglas F  
Seidl, Haroldo J  
Taylor, David C  
Tetz, Raymond D

Inter-American Division  
Apr 16-28, 1989 to attend the  
ADRA International Workshop in  
the Dominican Republic.

Jenson, William H

Inter-American Division and  
South American Division,  
Apr 18-May 11, 1989 to attend  
the ADRA International Workshop  
in the Dominican Republic and  
SAD Workshop in Peru.

Watts, Ralph S Jr

Southern Asia Division, Mar 10-  
Mar 31, 1989 to participate in  
the opening of the new wing at  
Scheer Memorial Hospital and to  
make other contacts in India.

Church Ministries

Crane, Donald E

Inter-American Division,  
Feb 16-26, 1989 for stewardship  
congresses.

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Knowles, George E & Lillian      USSR, August, 1989 for speaking appointments.

Education

Akers, George H      South Pacific Division, Jan 25-Feb 2, 1989 to serve as lecturer for a seminar and retreat at Avondale College.

Health and Temperance

Neslund, Thomas R      United Arab Emirates, Jan 23-25, 1989 to hold a seminar. The UAE will pay travel and entertainment.

Presidential

Mittleider, Kenneth J      Far Eastern Division, Feb 27-Mar 7, 1989 to study the future of the FED.

Secretariat

Roth, Don A      Far Eastern Division, Feb 27-Mar 7, 1989 to study the future of the FED.

Thompson, G Ralph & Imogene      USSR, May 1-14, 1989 for speaking appointments.

Treasury

Gilbert, Donald F      Far Eastern Division, Feb 27-Mar 7, 1989 to study the future of the FED.

Trust Services

White, Alan W      South Pacific Division, Feb 19-25, 1989 for Trust Services consultations in connection with a trip to the FED which was previously approved.

2. OTHER DENOMINATIONAL WORKERS

Euro-Africa Division

Graz, John      South Pacific Division, Apr 6-23, 1989 to speak at Youth

Congress. The French Polynesia Mission will pay travel and entertainment.

Geoscience Research Institute

Gibson, James L

Trans-European Division, June 28-July 2, 1989 to lecture at the Teachers' Convention to be held at Danish Jr College. The West Nordic Union and Geoscience Research Institute will pay travel and entertainment.

Loma Linda University

Frye, Barbara A

Far Eastern Division, Aug 28 and 29, 1989 to participate in the Eighth Continuing Education Meeting for nurses at Japan Missionary College. JMC will pay travel and entertainment.

Graybill, Ronald D

Euro-Africa Division, Oct 11-14, 1989 to participate in the centenary celebration of the SDA Church in Hamburg, Germany. The West German Unions will pay travel and entertainment.

North American Division

McNeilus, Garwin and Marilee  
(Laypersons)

Euro-Africa Division, France, Feb 1-8, 1989 to negotiate the opening of a vegetarian restaurant in Moscow and equipment for the new SDA press in the Soviet Union. The McNeilus' are traveling at their own expense.

Pearson, Walter L  
(South Atlantic Conference)

South Pacific Division, Mar 3-13, 1989 to conduct regional camp meetings. The Greater Sydney Conference will pay travel and entertainment.

3. SPECIALS

Crews, Dennis  
(Contract Photographer)

Inter-American Division,  
Jan 30-Feb 15, 1989, to

photograph for ADRA Public Relations and fund-raising materials. ADRA/I will pay travel and entertainment.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

ADRA

de Leon, Walter H

Africa-Indian Ocean Division, Feb 12-Mar 6, 1989 instead of dates previously voted.

Ministerial Association

Schmidt, Arturo E

South American Division, Feb 3-Mar 5, 1989 to replace a trip previously voted.

Spangler, J Robert

Africa-Indian Ocean Division, Mar 1-7, 1989; South African Union Conference, Mar 8-15, 1989; and Southern Union Mission, Mar 15-29, 1989 to conduct ministerial seminars.

ADCOM/GCC to FGT

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

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

Add            Butler, L L (elective member)

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KORFF, ERIC A AND LA VERNE—FURLOUGH

VOTED, To approve a regular two-month furlough for Eric A, La Verne, and Deirdre Korff to Pretoria and Klerksdorp, South Africa, South African Union Conference, from July 2 to August 26, 1989.

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COMMITTEE MEMBER REPLACEMENTS FOR J F WILKENS

VOTED, 1. To assign the following individuals to replace J F Wilkens on the various committees on which he served:

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Replace With</u>
AWPS/CDS, Vice Chairman (GCC-S)	F L Jones, VC
Allowances and Adjustments, Secretary (GCC-S)	Karl H-Bahr, Sec
Baltimore Warehouse, Chairman (GCC-S)	Karl H Bahr, Ch
Global Strategy Coordinating (GCC-S)	Karl H Bahr
International Adventist Health-Care Council, Vice Chairman (GCC-S)	W L Murrill, VC
International Adventist Health-Care Council Executive, Vice Chairman (GCC-S)	W L Murrill, VC
Jerusalem Center Coordinating (GCC-S)	R E Osborn

2. To note that the status of J F Wilkens on the General Conference Executive Committee (GCC-S) has changed from a regular member to an ex-officio member.

3. To delete the name of J F Wilkens from the following committees and boards:

Administrative Committee (ADCOM) (GCC-S)  
Appointees (GCC-S)  
Building, Borrowing and Blueprint (GCC-S)  
Eastern Asia (GCC-S)  
Finance (GCC-S)  
General Conference Officers (GCC-S)  
General Conference Session 1990 - Physical Arrangements (GCC-S)  
Investment and Securities (GCC-S)  
NADCOM (NAD-S)  
Remuneration Scale (GCC-S)  
Retirement Plan (GCC-S)  
Tithe and Offering Education Promotion (NAD-S)

ADRA International Board (GCC-B)  
Southern Publishing Association (Africa) (GCC-B)

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GENERAL CALLS

VOTED, To record the following calls involving the General Conference or its institutions:

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Fowler, John (Andrews University)—Conference Secretary;  
Director, Church Ministries; Kentucky-Tennessee Conference

Klatt, Craig (Northern California Conf)—Assistant Director of  
Retail Sales, Pacific Press Publishing Association

Adjourned

C B Rock, Chairman  
D A Roth, Secretary  
Fay Welter, Recording Secretary