

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 4, 1990, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

R J Kloosterhuis (Ch), M T Battle (Sec), Roy Adams, Karl H Bahr, Rosa T Banks, M T Bascom, R W Bendall, W Floyd Bresee, W T Clark, D E Crane, G H Crumley, R L Dale, Eric C Fehlberg, Karen Flowers, D F Gilbert, V S Griffiths, J H Harris, T R Neslund, Enoch Oliveira, R L Pelton, G R Ramsey, Humberto M Rasi, G E Rice, Gary M Ross, A C Segovia, P G Smith, E H J Steed, Iris H Stober, Gary B Swanson, F G Thomas, G Ralph Thompson, O A Troy, M C Van Putten, C D Watson, Alan W White, K H Wood, F Donald Yost.

DEVOTIONAL

"A momentous and memorable decade has come to a close," stated R J Kloosterhuis. The 1990s may well bring openings that will permit Global Strategy planning with tremendous impact in some previously unentered areas of the world. For example, the Church has not had a presence in North Korea for 40 years. However, recently visits and direct contact have been made with the North Korean government by Zdravko Stefanovic and Rajmund Dabrowski. A Korean-American from Canada went to China and has been responsible for many baptisms among North Koreans living there. One man who left North Korea 40 years ago with his father was able to return and locate his mother who believes herself to be the only Seventh-day Adventist in her area.

"Another year now opens its fair unwritten pages before you. The recording angel stands ready to write. Your course of action will determine what shall be traced by him. . . .

"If you have . . . given yourself to Christ, you are a member of the family of God, and everything in the Father's house is for you. All the treasures of God are open to you, both the world that now is and that which is to come. The ministry of angels, the gift of His Spirit, the labors of His servants--all are for you. The world, with everything in it, is yours so far as it can do you good. Even the enmity of the wicked will prove a blessing, by disciplining you for heaven. If 'ye are Christ's' 'all things are yours.'"--My Life Today, EGW

PRAYER

Prayer was requested for Eugene Stiles and Roger Coon. Petitions were made by J H Harris, G E Rice, and Humberto M Rasi.

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MINUTES of the meeting held December 21, 1989 were approved.

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

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

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Menzies, John (SPD)--Call of FED as Manager, Taiwan Food Company (FED)
Quintana, Carlos Ariel (IAD)--Call of SAD as District Pastor, W Amazon Miss, Brazil

Releases

Cancel Open call from FED to SPD for President, Bangladesh Adv Seminary and Col

Permanent Returns

Carson, Michael Frederic, English Teacher, Taiwan Adv Col, Taiwan (FED) to NAD, Assignment Completed, eff Jun 90
Vence, Tami Michelle (dtr, E R Vence, AWR-Asia) Guam (GC/FED) to NAD, Education, eff Sep 89
Wiebe, Henri, Physician/Pediatrician, Guam SDA Clinic (FED) to NAD, Personal, eff Jan 90

TRE/GCC to WLM

EXCHANGE RATES

VOTED, To approve the following adjustments to fixed rates of exchange, effective January 1, 1990:

<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	290.00	0.003448
Euro-Africa			
France	FFR	5.80	0.172414
Switzerland	SFR	1.55	0.645161
Far Eastern			
Singapore	S\$	1.90	0.526316
North American			
Canada	C\$	1.16	0.862069

<u>Division/Union</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Local Currency Units Per US \$</u>	<u>US \$ Per Local Currency Units</u>
South Africa	ZAR	2.56	0.390625
South America Brazil	BRZ	18.00	0.055556
Southern Asia India	Rs	16.85	0.059347
South Pacific Australia	\$A	1.26	0.793651
Trans-European Britain	£	0.625000	1.600000

ADCOM/GCC to EO

INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

1. GENERAL CONFERENCE STAFF

ADRA

Christian, Richard

South American Division,
Jan 3-18, 1990 to provide
technical assistance for the
ADRA programs in Peru and
Bolivia.

Gainer, R I
Watts, Ralph S Jr

Far Eastern Division and
Southern Asia Division,
Jan 14-30, 1990 to visit Laos
as members of a fact-finding
team and to evaluate ADRA
projects in Nepal.

Hall, Richard
(Consultant)

Far Eastern Division,
Jan 14-26, 1990 to visit Laos
as a member of a fact-finding
team.

Monsalve, Rodolfo
Stephens, Betsy
Tobing, Sharon
Wolfe, LynnDel

Inter-American Division,
Jan 10-23, 1990 to evaluate the
Strengthening Grant in Haiti.
Travel will be paid from the
Strengthening Grant.

Seidl, Haroldo J

Africa-Indian Ocean Division,
Jan 25-Feb 15, 1990 to visit
institutions which have
received American Schools and
Hospitals Abroad (ASHA) grants.

Church Ministries

Crane, Donald E

Inter-American Division,
Feb 16-19, 1990 and
May 18-20, 1990 to participate
in the Antillian Union
Stewardship Councils to be held
in Puerto Rico and the
Dominican Republic.

Smith, Paul G

Inter-American Division,
Feb 16-28, 1990 to conduct
stewardship seminars.

Office of General Counsel

Nixon, Robert W

USSR, Jan 27-Feb 3, 1990 to
attend a seminar to be held in
Helsinki, Finland and Moscow.

Presidential

Otis, Harold F Jr

Euro-Africa Division and USSR,
Jan 15-Feb 7, 1990 to negotiate
publishing house projects and
to meet with government
officials as well as
AWR/Europe.

2. OTHER DENOMINATIONAL WORKERS

North American Division

Collins, Victor
(Texas Conference)

Inter-American Division,
Jan 29-Feb 26, 1990 to conduct
an evangelistic crusade to be
held in Puebla, Mexico. Travel
will be paid by the South
Mexican Union.

Laabs, Leonard
(Walla Walla College)

Far Eastern Division,
Summer 1990 to inspect and
repair electrical
installations on the mission

and school properties. Travel will be paid by the Guam-Micronesia Mission.

Tucker, LaVerne
(The Quiet Hour)

South Pacific Division,
May 20-June 9, 1990 to conduct evangelistic crusades in the Western Pacific Union and the Central Pacific Union Missions. Travel and crusade expenses will be shared equally among The Quiet Hour, the Western Pacific Union Mission, and the Central Pacific Union Mission.

SPECIALS

South African Union Conference

Krishna, Paul
(Retired Univ Professor)

Southern Asia Division,
January to April, 1990 to assist Robert Wieland in preparing Hindu manuscripts. Travel will be paid by the Southern Asia Division.

4. ADJUSTMENTS

North American Division

Tucker, LaVerne
(The Quiet Hour)

South Pacific Division,
June 2-22, 1991 instead of dates previously voted.

Adjourned

R J Kloosterhuis, Chairman
M T Battle, Secretary
Betty Pierson, Recording Secretary

W. Course, Esq.

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 11, 1990, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

C B Rock (Ch), Samuel Young (Sec), M J Allen, Karl H Bahr, M T Bascom, M T Battle, R W Bendall, C E Bradford, W Floyd Bresee, C D Brooks, G H Crumley, R L Dale, Eric C Fehlberg, P A Gordon, V S Griffiths, J H Harris, W G Johnsson, F L Jones, J Lynn Martell, M J Murray, W L Murrill, R W Olson, R E Osborn, S H Parker, R L Pelton, G E Rice, D E Robinson, D A Roth, A C Segovia, P G Smith, Elizabeth A Sterndale, Iris H Stober, Gary B Swanson, C R Taylor, F G Thomas, O A Troy, M C Van Putten, J C Viera, R S Watts Jr, F Donald Yost.

DEVOTIONAL

The Chairman introduced Charles Cheatham, Secretary of the Allegheny East Conference, who presented the devotional. He quoted the gospel commission and then questioned how we can reach the people in the world with the gospel. The answer is we are guaranteed success by the promise ". . .lo, I am with you always. . ."

We should be baptized by the Holy Ghost from whom we shall receive power. The gifts received from the Holy Ghost are temporary. There will be a time when these gifts will be taken away, but they come to us now when we need them. Many times we are amazed how the Lord helps us accomplish things, but we are able to do so only through the gifts of the Holy Ghost.

First Corinthians 13 teaches us to love our neighbor. It tells us the greatest gift we can receive is love. We must seek this highest gift of all in order to finish the work.

PRAYER

Special prayer was requested for the Nagele family. Recently Charles Nagele became terminally ill with inoperable, untreatable cancer. He was not expected to live through Tuesday night of this week. Prayer was again requested for Eugene Stiles who had a second surgery for a brain tumor. The prognosis is not good. An official invitation was received recently from the government of Laos asking for a team from ADRA to visit the country. Prayer was requested for the doors to be opened so that work can be reestablished there. Our work was closed in Laos in 1975. M E Loewen offered prayer.

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INTRODUCTIONS

Samuel Young introduced Jamie W Spence, Director of Canvasback Missions, Inc. This is a medical group of lay Adventists who render free service to the people in the Marshall Islands in the Pacific. They use an aluminum Catamaran sailing ship, one of the largest of its kind, to reach the people. It was built for this work by volunteers and is manned by volunteers or it could not continue to operate. The crew usually consists of 12 Americans--two physicians and two assistants; four members of a dental team; and four members of the support team who maintain the ship, do the cooking, etc--and 12 Marshallese who are usually health assistants and nurses. The ship is the home of these volunteers for the six months a year they work in the Pacific.

J H Harris, who comes from a shipbuilding family, commented that the ship has the most perfect workmanship he has ever seen on a vessel of this kind. Much of the interior is handcrafted to perfection.

This organization hopes to support and build up the Church. Spence indicated that he wishes to help with the work in China and Mexico also. He and his wife were baptized just nine years ago.

MINUTES of the meeting held January 4, 1990 were approved.

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

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

Appointments

De Pina, Irlando (AID Natl, SAD)--Pastor, Cape Verde Mission (AID)
Natl Returning
Odonkor, Ebenezer (AID Natl, SUD)--Pastor, So Ghana Conf (AID)
Natl Returning
Pletsch, Theodore Daniel (Vancouver, WA)--Physician/OB/GYN, Guam
SDA Clinic (FED) Regularize AVS appt eff Feb 29, 88

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Arteaga, Suzanne Billiet (EUD)--Rescind call as Director,
International Student Affairs, Andrews U (currently employed
locally at IAD office, Miami) Vesting Problem
Astleford, David R L (NAD) Publishing Director, Western Pacific Un
Mission, SPD--Call of TED to transfer to Pakistan Un,
Pakistan

Gomez, Ana Maria Murcia (EUD)--Request of AID as Teacher, Yaounde, Cameroon, AVS/SVA basis, 1 yr
King, Kathleen Helen (SPD)--Nurse, Scheer Memorial Hosp, Nepal (SUD) AVS basis, 1 mo beg Apr 10, 90
Kuechler, Sabine (EUD)--Request of AID as Nurse, Dogba, Cameroon, AVS/SVA basis, 2 yrs
Orsucci, Riccardo (EUD)--Call of AID as Director/ADRA Director, Niger Mission Station
Parker, Lorraine Ruth (SPD)--Nurse, Scheer Memorial Hosp, Nepal (SUD) AVS basis, 1 mo beg Apr 10, 90

Releases

Gudmundsson, Harry (TED) from call to Masanga Hosp, Sierra Leone as Physician/Surgeon (AID) Declined

Permanent Returns

Bafaro, Pierre--Change eff date voted Jul 26, 89 from Jun to Aug 89 (AID)
Franco, Anacleto L, Treasurer, Zaire Un Mission (AID) to FED, Family Considerations, eff Apr 90
Henriette, Adelita (IAD)--Terminal date for return to TED set as Jun 30, 90 (PR voted Jul 5, 89, eff Apr 89)
Navalon, Sofia (dtr, Diego Navalon, Adv U of C Africa, Rwanda) (AID) to EUD, Education, eff Dec 89
Prouty, Robert Stewart, Academic Dean, Adv U of C Africa, Rwanda (AID) to NAD, Family Considerations, eff Jun 90
Scott, Timothy Craig, Mathematics, Biology & Physical Education Teacher, Kamagambo High School & Teachers' Col, Kenya (EAD) to NAD, Term Completed, eff Nov 89
Spaulding, Cameron Earl, Maintenance Director, Inca Un U, Peru (SAD) to NAD, Family Considerations, eff Feb 90

GCO/GCC to RLD

GENERAL CONFERENCE COLLOQUIUM DATE CHANGE

VOTED, To change the date of the General Conference Colloquium from March 7 through 10 to June 6 through 9, 1990.

GCO/GCC to WLM

BUENOS AIRES CHURCH, SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION -
APPROPRIATION

The new church in Buenos Aires which is being built in the Federal District needs to be completed. An evangelistic series is scheduled to be held there very soon with no other building available. The approximate cost of finishing the building is \$116,000. The union has

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pledged \$22,000 and the Florida Church \$15,000 which leaves a balance of approximately \$80,000. On his recent visit to South America, Neal C Wilson challenged the Division to appropriate \$50,000 with the suggestion that the General Conference would then appropriate a similar amount. The extra funds would make it possible to complete and furnish the building. It was

VOTED, To appropriate \$50,000 from the Global Strategy Fund to the South American Division for the Buenos Aires Church.

TRE/GCC to GRT

RIGGS NATIONAL BANK--BANK SIGNATURES

VOTED, To authorize Riggs National Bank to recognize the signatures of D F Gilbert, W L Murrill, I E Grice, or Rowena Rick to sign and make any changes and order for the payment of money for a new account (checking) in the name of General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, Far Eastern Division.

ADCOM/GCC to EO

INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

1. GENERAL CONFERENCE STAFF

ADRA

Tetz, Raymond D
Watts, Ralph S Jr

Peoples Republic of China,
Far Eastern Division,
and Southern Asia Division,
Apr 8-May 6, 1990 to visit ADRA
projects in order to obtain an
overview of the ADRA activities
in the overseas fields, to meet
with government and church
leaders, and to visit various
church institutions.

Education

Griffiths, Victor S

Far Eastern Division,
Jan 29-Feb 28, 1990 to
participate in the Adventist
International Institute of

Advanced Studies (AIAS) and to visit colleges within the division.

Church Ministries

Kangas, Janet L

South American Division,
Feb 14-28, 1990 to gather facts and information for the promotion of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the second quarter of 1991. Travel will be paid by the South American Division.

Health and Temperance

Neslund, Thomas

South African Union Conference and Southern Union Mission, Feb 5-26, 1990 to participate in a temperance rally and workers' meeting in Johannesburg and Swaziland, and to meet with government officials.

Presidential

Otis, Rose M

Euro-Africa Division and USSR, Jan 18-Feb 7, 1990 to participate in discussions regarding a USSR radio broadcast with AWR/Europe.

2. NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION HEADQUARTERS STAFF

Church Ministries

Sahlin, Monte

South African Union Conference and Southern Union Mission, Feb 9-24, 1990 to visit churches, to conduct Ministerial Workers Seminars, and to lecture at Helderberg College.

Presidential

Patterson, Gary B

Peoples Republic of China, Far Eastern Division, and

Southern Asia Division,
Apr 8-May 6, 1990 to visit ADRA
projects in order to obtain an
overview of the ADRA activities
in the overseas fields, to meet
with government and church
leaders, and to visit various
church institutions.

3. OTHER DENOMINATIONAL WORKERS

Adventist Media Center

Richards, H M S Jr

Far Eastern Division,
Feb 15-Mar 4, 1990 to
participate in the Adventist
World Radio anniversary
celebration and to meet other
appointments in Guam-
Micronesia. Travel will be
paid by AWR/Asia.

North American Division

Galusha, Dale
(Northern California Conf)

Trans-European Division,
Feb 24-Apr 22, 1990 to conduct
an evangelistic campaign in
Pori, Finland. Salary and
travel will be paid by the
Trans-European Division.

Johnston, Bruce
(N Pacific Union Conf)
McClure, Alfred C
(Southern Union Conf)
Miller, Cyril
(S W Union Conf)
Tompkins, Joel O
(Mid-America Union Conf)
Wisbey, Ron M
(Columbia Union Conf)

Peoples Republic of China,
Far Eastern Division, and
Southern Asia Division,
Apr 8-May 6, 1990 to visit ADRA
projects in order to obtain an
overview of the ADRA activities
in the overseas fields, to meet
with government and church
leaders, and to visit various
church institutions.

Valle, Javier
(Southern California Conf)

South American Division,
May 17-29, 1990 to conduct an
evangelistic campaign in the
Inca Union. Travel will be
paid by the Southern California
Conference.

Pacific Union College

Winn, Richard

Trans-European Division,
Apr 23-29, 1990 to participate
in the South England
Conference Camp Meeting.
Travel will be paid by the
South England Conference.

Review and Herald Publishing Association

Bowen, George L

Trans-European Division,
Jan 6-9, 1990 to investigate
the purchase of used Bible-line
equipment for the new
publishing house in the USSR.

Euro-Africa Division

Rodriguez, Jose
Tejel, Andres

Inter-American Division,
Jan 15-Feb 5, 1990 to attend
the Colporteur Congress in
Mexico and other meetings with
the Inter-American Division
Publishing Association. Travel
will be paid by the Spanish
Publishing House.

4. SPECIALS

North American Division

Bowers, David
Kreitner, Clinton W
(Reading Rehab Hosp)

Trans-European Division and the
USSR, Jan 16-Feb 5 to visit
rehabilitation centers in
Denmark and the All-Union
Rehabilitation Centre in
Moscow. Travel will be paid by
the Reading Rehabilitation
Hospital.

Bowers, Michaelan K
(Lay Person)

Trans-European Division and the
USSR, Jan 16-Feb 5 to visit
rehabilitation centers in
Denmark and the All-Union
Rehabilitation Centre in
Moscow. Travel will be at
personal expense.

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Wylie, Ronald J
(Lay Person)

Trans-European Division and the
USSR, Jan 16-Feb 8, 1990 to
visit rehabilitation centers
in Denmark and the All-Union
Rehabilitation Centre in
Moscow. Travel will be paid by
the Reading Rehabilitation
Hospital.

Provonsha, Jack
(Retiree)

Trans-European Division,
Apr 23-29, 1990 to participate
in the South England Conference
Camp Meeting. Travel will be
paid by the South England
Conference.

Roque, Pedro
(Retiree)

Inter-American Division,
February 1990 to conduct an
evangelistic crusade in
Bucaramanga, Colombia. Travel
will be at personal expense.

Rosado, Manuel
(Retiree)

Inter-American Division,
Jan 19-29, 1990 to participate
in Prison Ministry Seminars in
the Antillian Union. Travel
will be paid by the Antillian
Union.

ADCOM/GCC to FGT

GENERAL CALLS

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

Detweiler, Stan M (PR-FED)—Teacher, Ozark Adventist
Academy, Arkansas-Louisiana Conference

Adjourned.

C B Rock, Chairman
Samuel Young, Secretary
Fay Welter, Recording Secretary

W. Course, Esq

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 18, 1990, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

F G Thomas (Ch), Samuel Young (Sec), M J Allen, Karl H Bahr, Rosa T Banks, M T Bascom, M T Battle, C E Bracebridge, W Floyd Bresee, Shirley Burton, S Peter Campbell, W T Clark, D E Crane, G H Crumley, R L Dale, G O Engen, Eric C Fehlberg, P A Gordon, V S Griffiths, J H Harris, R H Henning, Warren L Johns, F L Jones, W L Murrill, Enoch Oliveira, R E Osborn, R L Pelton, G E Rice, D E Robinson, D A Roth, A C Segovia, P G Smith, Virginia Smith, E H J Steed, Elizabeth A Sterndale, O A Troy, J C Viera, F Donald Yost.

DEVOTIONAL

F G Thomas, Chairman, read from Isaiah 60:1-3. "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising."

This is a picture of great light covering the whole earth and people being attracted to that light. Verse 2 refers to gross darkness. It is in gross darkness that light is more noticeable, more attractive, and more helpful. Thomas recounted how as a small child he would accompany his mother as she went outside at twilight to hang a storm lantern on a nail on a tree in front of their home. In the very dark of night, this light would guide his father to the right place as he brought building materials by boat across a lake located in front of their mission home in Africa. The light never failed to guide his father home safely.

Are we reflecting the love of Christ in such a way that people cannot help but see it? If people would steer by that light, would it lead them to the right place?

PRAYER

M T Battle offered prayer remembering Don Swan, who is in the hospital with a severe chest infection and high blood sugar, and Virginia Larson who has sent many visual aids to missions overseas. He also remembered the families of the 60 babies who have had heart transplants at Loma Linda University Hospital. It is hoped that this ministry of the Church will impact lives and lead them to Christ.

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INTRODUCTION

Victor S Griffiths introduced S Peter Campbell, senior pastor at the Dupont Park Church and a new member of the General Conference Committee, who represents the Columbia Union Conference.

MINUTES of the meeting held January 11, 1990 were approved.

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

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

Appointments

Cassimy, Clyde Peter (Hercules, CA)--Pastor--Bible Teacher, U of E Africa, Kenya (EAD)

Permanent Returns

Ashley, Donald Keith, Physician/Pediatrician, Mwami Adv Hosp, Zambia (EAD) to NAD, Family Considerations, eff Oct 89

ADCOM/GCC to EO

INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

RECOMMENDED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

1. GENERAL CONFERENCE STAFF

ADRA

De Leon, Hugo

South American Division,
Jan 21-Feb 4, 1990 to prepare
the accounting for the
Strengthening Grant funds in
the Inca Union. Travel will be
paid from the Enhancement
Grant.

Leonard, Theresa
(Consultant)

South American Division,
Jan 24-Mar 14, 1990 to get
acquainted with the PL480
Program in Peru. Travel will
be paid from the Enhancement
Grant.

Lischek, Erich
(Euro-Africa Division)

Eastern Africa Division,
Jan 21-Feb 6, 1990 to review
ADRA projects in Ethiopia and
Zimbabwe. Travel will be paid
by ADRA/Germany.

Stone, Christine
(Consultant)

South American Division,
Jan 24-Mar 14, 1990 to get
acquainted with the PL480
Program in Bolivia. Travel
will be paid from the
Enhancement Grant.

Education

Akers, George H

Southern Asia Division and
Trans-European Division,
May 13-31, 1990 to participate
in a Faith and Learning Seminar
in Hosur, India and to evaluate
Pakistan Seminary and Newbold
College.

Rasi, Humberto M

Trans-European Division,
Feb 2-15, 1990 to conduct
school evaluations in Norway,
Sweden, Denmark, and Finland in
connection with a previously
voted trip to the South
Pacific Division; Southern Asia
Division and Trans-European
Division, May 6-31, 1990 to
participate in a Faith and
Learning Seminar in Hosur,
India; to lecture at Spicer
College; and to evaluate
Pakistan Adventist Seminary and
Newbold College.

Presidential

Mittleider, Kenneth J

Eastern Africa Division and
Euro-Africa Division, Jan 13-
28, 1990 to attend the
Adventist World Radio/Europe
Executive Committee meeting in
Geneva, Switzerland and the
Adventist World Radio/Africa
Executive Committee meeting in
Harare, Zimbabwe.

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Risk Management Services

Fritz, Jerrold E
Mastrapa, Hector

Inter-American Division,
Jan 17-19, 1990 to visit Bella
Vista Hospital for insurance
purposes.

Mastrapa, Hector

Inter-American Division,
Feb 18-23, 1990 to participate
in Life Safety Seminars at
Caribbean Union College and
Andrews Memorial Hospital.

Secretariat

Roth, Don A

Far Eastern Division,
Apr 29-May 16, 1990 to visit
Singapore, Hong Kong, and Guam;
and to participate in the
Philippine celebration and FED
Mid-Year Committee Meeting.

2. OTHER DENOMINATIONAL WORKERS

Euro-Africa Division

Zurcher, Jean
(Retiree)

Inter-American Division,
Apr 8-11, 1990 to participate
in a Teachers' Congress in
Martinique. Travel will be
paid by the French Antilles-
Guiana Union Mission.

Inter-American Division

Robinson, B L

Trans-European Division,
Apr 23-29, 1990 to participate
in the North British Conference
Camp Meeting. Travel will be
paid by the North British
Conference.

Loma Linda University Medical Center

Nelson, Donavan

Far Eastern Division,
Jan 28-Feb 8, 1990 to install
X-ray equipment at Calbayog
Sanitarium and Hospital in the
Philippines and to prepare for
the installation of X-ray

equipment at Seoul Adventist Hospital. Travel will be paid by Adventist Health Services/Asia.

North American Division

The Quiet Hour

Diehl, Hans
Tucker, LaVerne
Zachary, J H

Far Eastern Division,
time to be arranged in 1991, to conduct an evangelistic crusade in Manila, Philippines. Travel and crusade expenses will be shared between The Quiet Hour and the Far Eastern Division.

USSR

Kulakov, Peter

North American Division,
Feb 11-27, 1990 to visit the Adventist Media Center.

3. ADJUSTMENTS

Education

Akers, George H
Rasi, Humberto M

South Pacific Division,
Jan 21-Feb 14, 1990 instead of dates previously voted.

4. CANCELLATIONS

Presidential

Mittleider, Kenneth J

Eastern Africa Division,
Jan 14-28, 1990 for Botswana Survey Commission.

ADCOM/GCC to FGT

GENERAL CALLS

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

Costello, Kevin K (General Conference)—Treasurer,
Texico Conference

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Costello, Teresa L (General Conference)--Office Secretary,
Texico Conference

Martell, Diane (General Conference)--Office Secretary,
Chesapeake Conference

SpProph/GCC to SY

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY BOOK SUBSIDIES

VOTED, To approve the following requests for subsidies for the
printing of Spirit of Prophecy Books:

<u>Division</u>	<u>Language</u>	<u>Pages</u>	<u>Copies</u>	<u>Subsidy</u>
Africa-Indian Ocean Division				
<u>Counsels for the Church, I</u>	Kinyarwanda	203	10,000	\$2,800
<u>Counsels for the Church, II</u>	Kinyarwanda	197	10,000	2,800
<u>That Other Angel</u>	Kinyarwanda	30	1,000	420
<u>Thoughts from the Mount of Blessings</u>	Kinyarwanda	215	10,000	<u>3,010</u>
Total				\$9,030
Far Eastern Division				
<u>Steps to Christ</u>	Tiddim Chin	126	5,000	\$1,764

Adjourned.

F G Thomas, Acting Chairman
Samuel Young, Secretary
Fay Welter, Recording Secretary

W. Carson, Esq

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 25, 1990, 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

C B Rock (Ch), Leo Ranzolin (Sec), Roy Adams, M J Allen, M T Battle, R W Bendall, C E Bracebridge, W Floyd Bresee, S Peter Campbell, W T Clark, D E Crane, G H Crumley, V S Griffiths, J H Harris, F L Jones, Herbert Kiesler, W L Murrill, T R Neslund, R W Osborn, R L Pelton, G R Ramsey, G W Reid, Gary M Ross, D A Roth, William H Shea, E H J Steed, G Ralph Thompson, K H Wood, F Donald Yost.

DEVOTIONAL.

C B Rock opened the devotional with prayer. There is something about winter that makes one more pensive. This brings to mind 2 Cor 4:6,7. "For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us."

We are so frail and earthly. The author who wrote this passage could have chosen gold, silver, or brass to describe where this treasure was, but he chose the least expensive most fragile material-- earthen vessels. Our stay upon the land is brief compared with our progenitors from ancient times. We can testify to how swiftly time flies. As we get older, we do not get up as quickly or move as rapidly as we once did. We manage to look fairly good but if the truth were told, we would have to admit that we are earthen.

But not only are we earthen physically, we are also earthen psychologically, intellectually and spiritually as well. The emphasis of the text, though, is not on our frailty but on the Treasure which we contain. That Treasure is Jesus who makes us earthen vessels of honor and effectiveness. In fact, the more we sense our insufficiencies, the more God can do for and through us.

Nothing should dissuade us from doing what we have to do in such a self-abnegating way that the Lord can take us and use us to His glory. This earthen vessel is not important as long as God gets the praise.

PRAYER

R E Osborn offered prayer remembering R M Rabello, the former Voice of Prophecy Speaker in Brazil who is ill, and the headquarters staff who have to face the hazards of travel in these uncertain times.

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REPORTS

C E Bracebridge shared a letter from Larry S Smedley, an SDA chaplain serving in Panama. Smedley reported being under fire and transporting a wounded Panamanian in his vehicle to a hospital 12 miles away through unsecured jungle. During his short stay since early December of last year, he had 12 services, counseled 93 soldiers, had 724 pastoral encounters, gave away 250 Bibles, and distributed 650 pieces of literature in addition to his regular work as Deputy Division Chaplain. He mentioned that most of his days have been long, 16 to 20 hours, but very safe.

Another SDA chaplain arrived in Panama a few days earlier than he was supposed to through some mistake on the part of the service. Since he and the chaplain he was replacing had little to do, they decided to study the 27 beliefs of Seventh-day Adventists. After intense study the chaplain, who was a member of another Protestant denomination, became convinced of the Sabbath truth. He was scheduled to return to the United States in just a few days to attend an advanced chaplains' school. Upon his arrival back in the States, the first person he met at the school was a Seventh-day Adventist chaplain! As a result of further studies and his commitment to Christ, this non-Adventist chaplain is to be baptized this coming Sabbath.

C B Rock just returned from the Guyana Conference Triennial Session. The field is growing and much progress is being made in building, baptisms, and the work in general. Hilton E Garnett, former Secretary of the East Caribbean Conference was elected President of the Guyana Conference. The former President, Gershom G Byass who gave strong leadership to the field, is now employed as a pastor in Trinidad.

MINUTES of the meeting held January 18, 1990 were approved.

CA/GCC to SEC

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES

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

Appointments

- Song, John Jong-Eun (Battle Creek, MI)—Physician/Urologist, Guam SDA Clinic (FED)
- Ward, Wayne Edward (Deferred Dental Appointee, LLU D-90)—Assignment to Guam SDA Clinic (FED)

Calls and Transfers Between Divisions

Kelm, Leroy Melvin (FED)—Call of SPD as Senior Pilot, Papua New Guinea Miss (SPD)

Releases

Matychuk, Paul from appt as Academic Dean—AYS Advisor, English Bible Center, Taiwan (FED) Declined

TRE/GCC to WLM

EXCHANGE RATES

VOTED, To approve the following adjustments to fixed rates of exchange, effective February 1, 1990:

<u>Division/Union</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Local Currency Units Per US \$</u>	<u>US \$ Per Local Currency Units</u>
Eastern Africa Zimbabwe	ZWD	2.28	0.438596
Euro-Africa Switzerland	SFR	1.50	0.666667
Far Eastern Singapore	S\$	1.89	0.529101
Middle East Cyprus	CYL	0.47	2.127660
South America Brazil	BRZ	35.00	0.028571
Trans-European Britain	£	0.61	1.639344

ADCOM/GCC to EO

INTERDIVISION TRAVEL

VOTED, To approve the following interdivision travel:

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1. GENERAL CONFERENCE STAFF

ADRA

Nyberg, Rigmor
(ADRA/Sweden)

Far Eastern Division,
Jan 24-Feb 7, 1990 to evaluate
the Swedish funded projects in
the Thailand Mission. Travel
will be paid by ADRA/Sweden.

Global Centre for Islamic Studies

Schantz, Borge

Euro-Africa Division,
Feb 27-Mar 8, 1990 to promote
the Islamic Centre and to plan
a mission symposium with
MISSERM.

Office of General Counsel

Johns, Warren L.

Far Eastern Division,
Mar 19-30, 1990 to conduct
legal business in Thailand and
to attend the Adventist
Business Person Seminar in
Singapore.

Public Affairs and Religious Liberty

Tyner, Mitchell A

Eastern Africa Division and
South African Union Conference,
Feb 25-Mar 20, 1990 to prepare
for the 1991 African Religious
Liberty Congress.

Treasury

Osborn, Robert E

Euro-Africa Division and
Trans-European Division,
Aug 2-13, 1990 to conduct
investment and treasury
business.

2. NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION HEADQUARTERS STAFF

Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries

Bracebridge, C E
Feldbush, M W

Euro-Africa Division,
Apr 8-26, 1990 to attend the
annual military retreat in

Garmisch, West Germany and to visit U S military headquarters.

3. OTHER DENOMINATIONAL WORKERS

Christian Record Services

Bretsch, Vernon L

Far Eastern Division and Southern Asia Division, Mar 2-22, 1990 to establish work for the blind.

Geoscience Research Institute

Gibson, L James

South Pacific Division, Jan 24-Feb 6, 1990 to assist with a Faith and Learning Seminar in Australia. Travel will be shared equally between the General Conference Education Department and the Geoscience Research Institute.

Loma Linda University Medical Center

Nelson, Donavan

Africa-Indian Ocean Division, Mar 4-Apr 4, 1990 to inspect and repair X-ray equipment in the hospitals in the Indian Ocean Union, Nigerian Union, Sahel Union, West African Union, and Zaire Union Missions. Travel will be shared equally among the unions.

North American Division

Cerna, Miguel
(Southeastern Calif Conf)

Far Eastern Division, Jan 25-Feb 14, 1990 to conduct lay training seminars in Thailand, Peninsular Malaysia, and Singapore. Travel will be paid by the Southeast Asia Union Mission.

Hill, H Ward
(Union College)

Far Eastern Division, May 17-June 12, 1990 to teach at Central Philippine Adventist

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College and Indonesia Union
College. Travel will be paid
by the Adventist International
Institute of Advanced Studies
(AIAS).

Piantini, Jose
(Arizona Conference)

Inter-American Division,
Feb 17-Mar 17, 1990 to conduct
an evangelistic crusade in the
Central Dominican Conference.
Travel will be paid by the
Central Dominican Conference.

Thompson, Walter
(Hinsdale Hospital)

Trans-European Division,
May 6-27, 1990 to assist with
an evangelistic crusade in the
Polish Union. Travel will be
at personal expense.

Zachary James H
(The Quiet Hour)

Far Eastern Division,
April 1990 to conduct
evangelistic meetings in the
Central Philippine Union
Mission. Travel will be shared
between The Quiet Hour and
Adventist Soulwinners in Action
Network (ASIAN); Far Eastern
Division, Apr 19-May 11, 1991
to conduct evangelistic
meetings in the East Indonesia
Union and the West Indonesia
Union Missions. Travel will be
paid by The Quiet Hour.

USSR

Gusev, S
Kulakov, Peter
Savinov, G A

Euro-Africa Division,
February 5, 1990 to visit the
De-Vau-Ge food factory in
Lueneburg, West Germany.
Travel will be paid from the
USSR health food plant funds.

4. SPECIALS

North American Division

Halversen, Mary
and two children

Trans-European Division,
Feb 8-Apr 1, 1990 to assist in
an evangelistic crusade to be

held in Oslo, Norway. Travel will be paid by the East Norway Conference.

Hooper, Wayne
(Retiree)

South African Union Conference and Southern Union Mission, Aug 1-19, 1990 to participate in music festivals. Travel will be paid by the General Conference.

McPhaul, Donald
(Allegheny East Conf)

South Pacific Division, May 4-20, 1990 to conduct a youth crusade in the Western Australian Conference. Travel will be paid by the Western Australian Conference.

Mittleider, Jacob
(Lay Person)

USSR, Jan 28-Feb 4, 1990 to meet with government officials. Travel will be paid from the Eastern European Project Fund.

Murillo, Efrain
(Retiree)

Inter-American Division, February, 1990 to conduct an evangelistic crusade in Bucaramanga, Colombia. Travel will be paid by the Inter-American Division.

ADCOM/GCC to FGT

GENERAL CALLS

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

Gibbon, Elaine (PR-AID)--Home Economics Teacher-Librarian, Garden State Academy, New Jersey Conference

Gibbon, Richard (PR-AID)--Science Teacher, Garden State Academy, New Jersey Conference

Jong, Annie (FED)--Office Secretary, Risk Management Services, Singapore

Wilcox, Wendell L (PR-FED)--Pastor, Clearlake-Middletown Northern California Conference

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GCC to GRT

APPRECIATION TO NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

G Ralph Thompson expressed appreciation to the North American Division for its help in placing permanent returnees. This makes recruiting missionaries much easier.

PER/GCC to GHC-RetirePlan

BALL, HOMER L--RETIREMENT

RECOMMENDED, To grant NAD Retirement Plan benefits to Homer L Ball following 18.6 years of service, effective February 1, 1990.

PER/GCC to GHC-RetirePlan

BROOKS, GLADYCE--RETIREMENT

RECOMMENDED, To grant NAD Retirement Plan benefits to Gladyce Brooks (survivor benefits based on the service of Charles L Brooks) for 35.86 years of service, effective February 1, 1990.

PER/GCC to GHC-RetirePlan

FREDERICK, CHARLES O--RETIREMENT

RECOMMENDED, To grant NAD Retirement Plan benefits to Charles O Frederick following 36.5 years of service, effective February 1, 1990.

GCC to LR

FREDERICK, CHARLES O--APPRECIATION

VOTED, To express appreciation to Charles O Frederick for over 36 years of denominational service. He served as Business Manager of Spicer College in the Southern Asia Division from 1953 to 1959. He then was employed in the Insurance Service of the General Conference from 1959 to 1983 serving as President for the last five years. In 1983 he became the Project Coordinator for the new General Conference headquarters building. He will be remembered and his work greatly appreciated for the long hours and devoted service he gave to the completion of the new GC building before he retired.

PER/GCC to GHC-RetirePlan

HILLIARD, MARTA M--RETIREMENT

RECOMMENDED, To grant NAD Retirement Plan disability benefits to Marta M Hilliard following 25.3 years of service, effective February 1, 1990.

GCC to LR

HILLIARD, MARTA M--APPRECIATION

VOTED, To express appreciation to Marta M Hilliard for her many years of service to the denomination. She began her service in 1964 at the Review and Herald Publishing Association where she served in the proofroom and then as a secretary. From 1974 to the present she was employed by the General Conference as a secretary in the Communication, Ministerial, GENCON, Archives, Sabbath School and Church Ministries Departments.

Adjourned with prayer by William H Shea.

C B Rock, Chairman
Leo Ranzolin, Secretary
Fay Welter, Recording Secretary

W. Carson, Esq.