

SIXTH BUSINESS MEETING  
Fifty-ninth General Conference Session  
Atlanta, Georgia  
June 28, 2010, 9:00 a.m.

Prayer was offered by Sergio Azevedo of the South American Division, after which there was a time of prayer led by Mark A Finley of the General Conference.

10GCS to AM

CHAPTER 4 OF THE *CHURCH MANUAL* - *CHURCH MANUAL*  
REVISION

VOTED, To approve Chapter 4 of the revised *Church Manual* as presented.

08AC/ChMan/09AC/GCC(Atlanta)/10GCS to AM

DEACONESSES (ORGANIZING A CHURCH) - *CHURCH*  
*MANUAL* REVISION

VOTED, To approve the inclusion of the following paragraph in Chapter 5, Organizing, Uniting, and Dissolving Churches and Companies, Organizing a Church, page 18, of the *Church Manual* revision, to read as follows (see 400GS *Seventh-day Adventist Church Manual* - *Church Manual* Revision, as attached to the official copy of the minutes):

When the nucleus has voted on all potential members, the church is a complete entity and ready for election of officers. Members then should choose a nominating committee, with the officiating pastor serving as chairperson. The nominating committee brings in nominations to fill the various church offices. When these have been elected, the elders should be ordained, unless they have already been ordained as elders. A similar but shorter service should take place for ordination of deacons and deaconesses. The church then is fully organized and ready for service.

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June 28, 2010, a.m.  
General Conference Session

08AC/ChMan/09AC/GCC(Atlanta)/10GCS to AM

PURPOSE FOR ESTABLISHING A COMPANY (ORGANIZIING  
A COMPANY) - *CHURCH MANUAL* REVISION

VOTED, To approve the inclusion of the following paragraph in Chapter 5, Organizing, Uniting, and Dissolving Churches and Companies, Organizing a Company, page 18, of the *Church Manual* revision, to read as follows (see 400GS *Seventh-day Adventist Church Manual - Church Manual* Revision, as attached to the official copy of the minutes):

Where a number of isolated believers reside near one another or where they belong to a small group, house church, or church planting core group, they should consider forming a company of believers for fellowship, worship, and mission with the objective of growing into an organized church or multiplying house churches in that geographical area.

08AC/ChMan/09AC/GCC(Atlanta)/10GCS to AM

THE NEED FOR GUIDELINES FOR ORGANIZING A COMPANY  
(ORGANIZIING A COMPANY) - *CHURCH MANUAL*  
REVISION

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Company status is approved by vote of the conference committee, which, should it become necessary, may subsequently dissolve the company. The division and/or conference should have written guidelines for organizing companies within its territory.

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT #4

VOTED, To approve the following partial report of the Nominating Committee:

General Conference

Vice Presidents Assigned to Divisions:

Guillermo E Biaggi, Euro-Asia Division  
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Education Department

Director: Lisa M Beardsley

Family Ministries Department

Director: Willie Oliver  
Associate Director: Elaine Oliver

Prayer was offered by Lowell C Cooper, General Vice President of the General Conference.

Lowell C Cooper, Chair  
Agustin Galicia, Secretary  
Larry R Evans, Actions Editor  
Tamara K Boward, Recording Secretary