#### SPRING MEETING

#### April 6 and 7, 2008

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#### SPRING MEETING OF THE

#### GENERAL CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

April 6, 2008, 8:00 a.m.

#### PRESENT

Bolivar Alaña, Niels-Erik Andreasen, Jonas Arrais, Delbert W Baker, Rosa T Banks, Lisa M Beardsley, Matthew A Bediako, B Lyn Behrens, Guillermo E Biaggi, Rodney G Brady, Shirley Chang, Carl Patrick Chin, G S Robert Clive, Lowell C Cooper, Gary R Councell, James A Cress, Rajmund Dabrowski, Luka T Daniel, Marino F de Oliveira, A Ganoune Diop, Paul H Douglas, Karnik Doukmetzian, C Garland Dulan,

George O Egwakhe, Verland Erntson, G Thomas Evans, Larry R Evans, Howard F Faigao, Martin W Feldbush, Mark A Finley, Karen M Flowers, Ronald M Flowers, John M Fowler, Ulrich Frikart, Agustin Galicia, Dale Galusha, Ricardo Graham, John Graz, Alberto C Gulfan Jr, Allan R Handysides, Richard H Hart, Ceazar J Hechanova, Keith Rolland Heinrich, Wilmar Hirle, Dan Houghton, Roscoe J Howard III, Eugene King Yi Hsu, Clyde M Iverson Jr,

Daniel R Jackson, Johann E Johannsson, Delbert L Johnson, William G Johnsson, Mikhail F Kaminskiy, Gerry D Karst, Donald G King, William M Knott, Linda Mei Lin Koh, Erton C Kohler, Gary D Krause, Jonathan Kuntaraf, Peter R Kunze, Nancy Kyte, Robert E Kyte, Peter N Landless, Jairyong Lee, Israel Leito, Robert E Lemon, Jean-Luc Lezeau, Jose R Lizardo, Gabriel Egon Maurer, Geoffrey G Mbwana, Lester P Merklin Jr, Armando Miranda,

Baraka G Muganda, G T Ng, Don Noble, Barry D Oliver, Daisy J Flores Orion, Richard Osborn, Orville D Parchment, Vernon B Parmenter, Jan Paulsen, Juan O Perla, Philip Philipsen, Larry J Pitcher, Juan R Prestol, Erika F Puni, John Rathinaraj, Gordon L Retzer, Claude Richli, Angel M Rodriguez, Blasious M Ruguri, Michael L Ryan, Roy E Ryan, Claude Sabot, Donald R Sahly, Charles C Sandefur Jr,

Lawrence Schalk, Don C Schneider, Marti Schneider, Benjamin D Schoun, Ralph E Shelton, Ella S Simmons, Artur A Stele, Hendrik Sumendap, Akeri Suzuki, Gary B Swanson, Lawrence P Tanabose, Halvard B Thomsen, Bradley Thorp, Alberto Timm, Homer Trecartin, 08-4 April 6, 2008, a.m. GCC Spring Meeting

Filiberto M Verduzco-Avila, Ray Wahlen, Gilbert Wari, David Weigley, Bertil A Wiklander, Jeffrey K Wilson, Ted N C Wilson, Harald Wollan, Walter L Wright, Joel Zukovski.

## DEVOTIONAL

The devotional message entitled, "When Faith Asks Jesus Not To Come In," was presented by Denis Fortin, Dean of the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary.

The faith of the Roman centurion who asked Jesus to heal his servant demonstrated what Jesus was attempting to teach when he said that faith should rest on the rock.

Prayer was offered by James A Cress, Secretary of the Ministerial Association.

Prayer was requested for the family of Cornelius M Matandiko, Zambia Union President, who passed away unexpectedly a few days ago. Several officers of the SID returned to the division along with Pardon K Mwansa for the funeral services; for the family of Stennett Brooks, former president of the Northeastern Conference, who was killed in a car accident two days ago.

Jan Paulsen, chair, called to order the first session of the 2008 Spring Meeting.

08SM to MAB

## BEHRENS, B LYN—APPRECIATION

VOTED, To express appreciation to B Lyn Behrens for her 17 years of dedicated service to the General Conference as President and CEO of Loma Linda Adventist Health Sciences Center.

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#### INTRODUCTIONS

Jan Paulsen, President of the General Conference, introduced new members of the General Conference Executive Committee including Richard H Hart, President and CEO of Loma Linda Adventist Health Sciences Center, Barry D Oliver, President of the South Pacific Division, Lawrence P Tanabose, Secretary of the South Pacific Division, Clyde M Iverson Jr, Treasurer of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division, and G Thomas Evans, Treasurer of the North American Division.

#### SEC/ADCOM/08SM to LRE

## 109-08G SPRING MEETING 2008—STANDING COMMITTEES

VOTED, To approve standing committees for the 2008 Spring Meeting, as follows:

#### ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL TO STANDING COMMITTEES

## Ted N C Wilson, Chairman Vernon B Parmenter, Secretary

Members: James A Cress, George O Egwakhe, Roscoe J Howard III, Orville D Parchment.

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

## Jan Paulsen, Chairman Matthew A Bediako, Secretary

Members: Niels-Erik A Andreasen, Delbert W Baker, Rosa T Banks, Shirley Chang, Carl Patrick Chin, Lowell C Cooper, Luka T Daniel, George O Egwakhe, G Thomas Evans, Larry R Evans, Mark A Finley, Agustin Galicia, Alberto C Gulfan Jr, Roscoe J Howard III, Eugene Hsu, Daniel R Jackson, Gerry D Karst, Linda Mei Lin Koh, Erton C Kohler, Jonathan Kuntaraf, Jairyong Lee, Israel Leito, Robert E Lemon, Jose R Lizardo,

Gabriel E Maurer, Geoffrey G Mbwana, Armando Miranda, Pardon K Mwansa, G T Ng, Barry D Oliver, Daisy Jane F Orion, Vernon B Parmenter, Juan R Prestol, John Rathinaraj, Paul S Ratsara, Michael L Ryan, Roy E Ryan, Claude Sabot, Don C Schneider, Ella S Simmons, Artur A Stele, David Weigley, Bertil Wiklander, Ted N C Wilson, Walter L Wright. 08-6 April 6, 2008, a.m. GCC Spring Meeting

#### **STEERING**

## Jan Paulsen, Chairman Larry R Evans, Secretary

Members: Rosa T Banks, Matthew A Bediako, Lowell C Cooper, George O Egwakhe, G Thomas Evans, Mark A Finley, Agustin Galicia, Roscoe J Howard III, Eugene Hsu, Gerry D Karst, Robert E Kyte, Robert E Lemon, Jose R Lizardo, Armando Miranda, Pardon K Mwansa, G T Ng, Daisy Jane F Orion, Orville D Parchment, Vernon B Parmenter, Juan R Prestol, Michael L Ryan, Roy E Ryan, Claude Sabot, Don C Schneider, Ella S Simmons, Ted N C Wilson.

## SEC/ADCOM/08SM to LRE

## 111-08G COMPENSATION REVIEW COMMITTEE—2008 SPRING MEETING - APPOINTMENT

VOTED, To appoint the Compensation Review Committee for the 2008 Spring Meeting, as follows:

#### **MEMBERS**

Wright, Walter L, Chair Lemon, Robert E, Secretary

Presidential
Cooper, Lowell C
Daniel, Luka T
Finley, Mark A
Gulfan, Alberto C Jr
Hsu, Eugene
Karst, Gerry D
Kohler, Erton C
Lee, Jairyong
Leito, Israel
Mbwana, Geoffrey G
Miranda, Armando
Mwansa, Pardon K
Oliver, Barry D
Paulsen, Jan
Ratsara, Paul S

<u>GC Institutional Administrators</u> Andreasen, Niels-Erik Baker, Delbert Hart, Richard H

Laypersons Brown, Gina S Chang, Shirley Chin, Carl Patrick Green, Shelton Pechero, Reuben Daniel Saravia, Evelyn J Young, Debbie

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<u>Presidential</u> contd Ryan, Michael L Schneider, Don C Simmons, Ella S Stele, Artur A Wiklander, Bertil Wilson, Ted N C

<u>Secretariat</u> Bediako, Matthew A Evans, Larry R Howard, Roscoe J III Suzuki, Akeri Tanabose, Lawrence

<u>Treasury</u> Evans, G Thomas Prestol, Juan R Ryan, Roy E Pastor/Front-line Workers Shelton, Ralph Edmond Smith, David

<u>Union Presidents</u> Carlson, Dennis Graham, Ricardo Jackson, Daniel R King, Donald G Patzer, Jere D Retzer, Gordon L Trevino, Max A Weigley, Dave

Departments and Services Dulan, C Garland Koh, Linda Mei Lin

## MISSION STATEMENT OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

The Mission Statement of the Seventh-day Adventist Church was read by Agustin Galicia, secretary of the business session.

### TELL THE WORLD

Michael L Ryan, Mark A Finley, and Homer Trecartin reported on the status of Adventist Mission around the world in a presentation titled, "The Global Mission Vision: 20 Years—Still Here—What Now?"

The delegates broke into groups of two for prayers of consecration, asking for God's blessing upon the project.

VOTED, To record the *Tell the World* report, with the understanding that a resolution will be drafted and presented later in response this report.

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## ASI REPORT

Garwin McNeilus, member of ASI, reported on the work of ASI and Maranatha Volunteers International with *The One-Day Church* project. These are durable and rugged galvanized steel structures with a vented roof, which allow for various wall finishes, and are designed to be erected in one day. Galvanized steel prevents rust for long life. The standard size of these churches is 20 x 35 feet (6.1 x 10.7 meters) and seat approximately 150 people.

These building projects involve local members in church completion, provide church homes to enhance membership retention, establish a permanent Seventh-day Adventist witness in the community, and provide an efficient, substantial design which allows many churches to be built for a reasonable cost. The purpose of this project is winning souls for the kingdom of God.

A prayer of dedication was offered by Matthew A Bediako, for *The One-Day Church* project in the structure that was set up outside the Howard Performing Arts Center.

VOTED, 1. To express appreciation for the presentation and the work which has already been done on this concept, and

2. To encourage further development of the concept and ways to make it available.

## INTERNATIONAL HEALTH AND TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION— LEGAL MEETING

At 11:34 a.m., a legal meeting of the International Health and Temperance Association convened.

## CHRISTIAN RECORD SERVICES, INC-CORPORATION MEETING

Following the legal meeting of the International Health and Temperance Association, a corporation meeting of Christian Record Services, Inc convened.

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Prayer was offered by Richard Osborn, President of Pacific Union College.

Jan Paulsen, Chairman Agustin Galicia, Secretary Larry R Evans, Editorial Secretary Tamara K Boward, Recording Secretary

## GENERAL CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

April 6, 2008 2:00 p.m.

Jan Paulsen, chair, called to order the second session of the 2008 Spring Meeting.

Prayer was offered by Clyde M Iverson, Jr, Treasurer of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

"O taste and see that the LORD [is] good: blessed [is] the man [that] trusteth in him" (Psalms 34:24). During this past year we have had occasion to "taste and see that the Lord is good." We have also had plenty of reasons to need to trust in Him. We have always seen His goodness and we can always trust Him.

Once again it is a privilege to bring a report of the tithes and offerings which God's children have brought with rejoicing to the House of the Lord. As we have been meeting in the Use of Tithe Study Commission this past week, it has been a blessing to be reminded that God instituted the tithing system and allows us to give offerings, not because He needs the money for His work, "the cattle on a thousand hills" are His, but because we need the constant reminder of how He has blessed us.

As we reported at the time of the Annual Council, 2007 has been a year of "Extraordinary Blessings." Not only have tithe and offerings increased but we had the blessing of receiving Extraordinary Tithe of over US\$100 million. These funds will enable the Church to move forward with initiatives in many areas where it would not have been possible at this time without this special blessing.

#### Tithes and Offerings

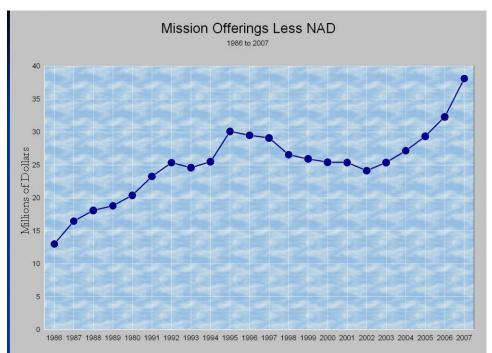
Worldwide tithe was up 9 percent over 2006 and totaled US\$1,781,129,830 as compared to US\$1,602,733,957. Some of that increase in US dollar terms is due to the exchange rate with the weakening US dollar, but there were still major increases in tithe in terms of local currency.

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The tithe that flowed to the World Budget of the General Conference, exclusive of the blocked currency release and Extraordinary Tithe, was US\$86.99 million and was up US\$4.69 million over 2006.

Mission offerings in the North American Division have increased each of the past four

years. This increase of over 12 percent has been very encouraging when it is noted that the amount received in 2003 was at the same level as 1986, 17 years earlier. The mission offerings from divisions, other than the North American Division, have shown steady increases over the past twenty years. There have been fluctuations in US dollar terms due to exchange rate fluctuations and timing of the release of blocked currencies. The increase over that twenty year period has been 199 percent. Mission offerings were up 11.1 percent over 2006 (2 percent in the North American Division and 18.1 percent in the other divisions). The mission offering from the North American Division was US\$24.18 million in 2007 as compared to





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US\$23.78 million in 2006 and US\$38.11 million in 2007 as compared to US\$32.23 million in 2006 from divisions other than the North American Division. Again, part of the increase was due to exchange rates due to the declining value of the US dollar but there were still increases in terms of local currency. We praise the Lord for this trend and must continue to give emphasis to the great need for these non-tithe funds for doing the Lord's work around the world.

#### Conservative Budgeting and Supplemental Budgets

With the increases in tithe and mission offerings and with keeping expenditures under budget at the General Conference headquarters, we ended the year with a US\$23 million increase (exclusive of Extraordinary Tithe) in total net assets. Some of that is related to restricted or allocated funds but US\$14.2 million represents amounts above the recommended working capital.

The General Conference has established a formula for recommended working capital which is 40 percent of one year's unrestricted income plus total restricted and allocated funds. We budget conservatively for the operating budget so we are not forced to make changes during the year if there are downturns in the economy, exchange rate fluctuations or volatility in the investment markets. Then, at the end of the year, we look at our working capital as compared to the recommended level and, if possible, consider a Supplemental Budget. We have no desire to build up working capital at the General Conference. We need to keep an appropriate level of liquidity available to facilitate a smooth operation and to deal with the timing of cash flows. Our appropriations to divisions and institutions, as well as our payments for salaries and most other items, fluctuate very little on a monthly basis but our income is more heavily weighted to the last part of the calendar year.

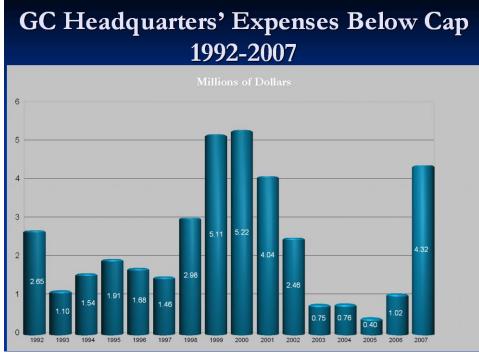
What our Supplemental Budget process does is allow us to be conservative in our budgeting which is based on anticipated income for the year, but then allocate any extra at the end of the year after we have actually received the funds.

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## Operating Cap and the Bottom Line

The General Conference Executive Committee has approved an operating cap for the operation of the General Conference world headquarters. Before 2000, the cap was set at 4.25

percent of NAD gross tithe plus 4.25 percent of tithe remitted from the other divisions. At that time, NAD tithe was US\$657 million and tithe from the other divisions totaled US\$424 million. The cap was reduced to 2 percent of worldwide tithe with the change being phased in over five years from 2001 to 2005. The General Conference worked hard to stay within the cap during the phase in period but naturally was not able to operate



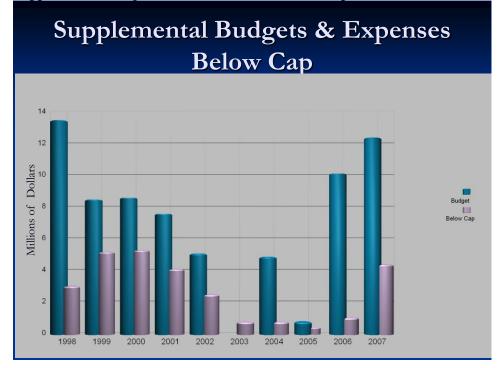
as far under the cap as it had previously. Since the implementation of the cap in 1992, the General Conference has consistently operated under the cap. The amounts under the cap have contributed to the amounts of the Supplemental Budgets available over the years. The Supplemental Budgets have come from a combination of: release of blocked currency that was not in the budget (especially in the early years), tithe and offerings above budget, General Conference headquarters operating under the budget and under the cap. The graph (above) shows the amount the General Conference operated under the cap for each year.

## Supplemental Budgets

Since 1998, when we started the concept of Supplemental Budgets, we have had a voted Supplemental Budget each year except for 2003. These budgets have allowed the divisions and the General Conference to provide funds for items that otherwise would not have been possible. The graph below shows the amount of the Supplemental Budget for each year and next to it the amount that the General Conference headquarters operated under the cap which contributed to

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the Supplemental Budget. The amount shown for 2007 indicated the amount available for a Supplemental Budget but the actual amount will depend on the vote at this meeting.



## Weakening US Dollar

Although the weakening US dollar has actually made the General Conference's financial statement look better by increasing the US dollar amount of tithe percentages and mission offerings from other areas of the world, the overall effect on the Church is not positive. The value of the dollar has greatly reduced what can be accomplished with those funds in the mission territories. During Annual Council, we showed graphs of how the value of the US dollar has fluctuated over the past ten years as compared to each of the currencies where we have division offices located. It showed that there have been both increases and decreases in the value of the US dollar over that period of time, but there has been a major decline over the past four or five years that offsets all of the increase in the previous five years.

## Market Fluctuations

I don't need to tell you that the financial markets have been in great turmoil over the past year. It is everywhere in the news. One almost needs to take Dramamine to keep from getting seasick with all the ups and down of the stock markets. Although the Church is not in the business of building up funds to be invested, there are substantial amounts of retirement funds, endowment funds for educational institutions and other temporary or working capital funds that 08-16 April 6, 2008, p.m. GCC Spring Meeting

need to be invested to both earn returns and to offset the effect of inflation during the time they are held. It is not an easy time for those in the investment area or for those of us who have to deal with the effect of the fluctuations on the availability of funds to do the mission of the Church.

## Extraordinary Tithe

At the time of Annual Council in October of last year, we gave you a major report on the Extraordinary Tithe received by the General Conference. At that time, we reported on the US\$53 million that had been received at that point and on how decisions relative to the use of this "Extraordinary Blessing" would be handled. Since that time we have received the rest of the funds which bring the total a little over US\$101.7 million. There will be a separate report on these funds and the process for deciding on how they will be used but we want to praise the Lord for this "Extraordinary Opportunity."

## Telling the World

The task of taking the gospel to "all the world" is beyond our human capabilities, but God is providing marvelous ways that have never been possible before. With His power and through the means He is providing on the Internet, through satellite TV and radio, podcasts, as well as the printed word and many other ways, we face opportunities that have never existed before. We can praise the Lord for His goodness and love and pray for guidance in telling the world. Let us say, as did the Psalmist: "I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing unto thee among the nations. For thy mercy [is] great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds. Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: [let] thy glory [be] above all the earth" (Psalms 57:9-11).

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## 103-08G OPERATING EXPENSE CAP 2007 - REPORT

In fulfillment of the requirement for the General Conference to live within an operating expense cap of 2.0 percent of gross world tithe (see GCC 91-443, GCC 98-21, and GCC 00-23), it was

VOTED, To accept the report for the Operating Expense Cap 2007, as follows:

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## Operating Expense Cap 2007

Total income basis	\$1,781,129,830
Expense cap at 2% of world tithe	
Expense for 2007	
Expense as a percentage of cap	
Amount under the cap	

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	4,209,332	614,424,903	26,113,058	20,999,068	5,111,990	80.42%
2000	656,938,361	4,235,930	661,174,291	28,099,907	22,877,949	5,221,958	81.42%

## Operating Expense Cap Summary

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YEAR	GROSS NAD TITHE	GROSS NON-NAD TITHE	GROSS WORLD TITHE	CAP	ACTUAL OPERATING EXPENSE	EXPENSE UNDER THE CAP	EXPENSE AS % OF CAP
2.00%*	ŧ						
2001	685,051,305	429,500,692	1,114,551,997	27,913,439	23,862,558	4,044,881	85.51%
2002	707,805,149	434,912,910	1,142,718,059	27,342,516	24,879,758	2,462,758	90.99%
2003	727,180,606	475,704,684	1,202,885,290	26,922,403	26,172,840	749,563	97.22%
2004	762,318,491	555,412,923	1,317,731,414	27,646,624	26,886,383	760,241	97.25%
2005	834,926,654	622,213,348	1,457,140,002	29,142,800	28,740,301	402,499	98.62%
2006	861,581,965	741,151,992	1,602,733,957	32,054,679	31,036,519	1,018,160	96.82%
2007	896,610,322	884,519,508	1,781,129,830	35,622,597	31,304,400	4,318,197	87.88%

\*The following six cost centers were removed from the cap, reducing it from 4.85% to 4.25% (see GCC 98-21):

11050 Adventist World Radio41215 Geoscience Research Center41920 Ellen G White Estate41935 Ellen G White Estate Research Centers61175 Auditing Service61794 TRIPS

\*\*Because of NAD's tithe percentage being phased down from 10.72% to 8.0% over 5 years, and the non-NAD divisions' tithe percentage being increased from 1% to 2% over 5 years, the CAP is also being phased in over the same 5-year period and is calculated as 2% of Gross World Tithe, as follows (see GCC 00-23):

- 2001 1/5 of distance between old and new calculation
- 2002 2/5 of distance between old and new calculation
- 2003 3/5 of distance between old and new calculation
- 2004 4/5 of distance between old and new calculation
- 2005 Full implementation of new calculation

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#### TRE/08SM to JRP

## COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUDITORS' REPORT

Juan Prestol, Undertreasurer of the General Conference, made a presentation covering areas of particular interest in the Combined Financial Statements of the General Conference for the year ending December 31, 2007.

(The Combined Financial Statements and the auditors' report are filed with the official copy of the minutes.)

#### TRE/FinAudRev/08SM to REL

#### AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2007

James E Nyquist, of Maner, Costerisan & Ellis, P.C., read the auditors' opinion for the combined financial statements and for the unitized funds.

VOTED, To accept the 2007 Combined Financial Statements of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists for the period ending December 31, 2007, as recommended by the General Conference Financial Audit Review Committee, (which include the Operating Funds, The Plant Fund, and Other Funds) and the auditors' opinions for the following unitized funds:

Money Fund Bond Fund Income Fund Large Cap U.S. Equity Fund Small Cap U.S. Equity Fund International Fund Emerging Markets Fund Micro Cap & Private Equity Fund Euro Bond Fund

(A copy of the Annual Financial Statements is filed with the official copy of the minutes.)

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#### TRE/FinAudRev/08SM to REL

## AUDIT MANAGEMENT LETTER, POLICY COMPLIANCE REPORT AND RESPONSE

James E Nyquist, of Maner, Costerisan & Ellis, P.C., read the Audit Management Letter and Policy Compliance Report which identified two control deficiencies. Robert E Lemon read the General Conference Management Letter of Response.

VOTED, To accept the 2007 Audit Management Letter, Policy Compliance Report, and General Conference Management Letter of Response.

(The Financial Statements and letters are filed with the official copy of the minutes.)

## TRE/FinAudRev/08SM to REL

## GENERAL CONFERENCE FINANCIAL AUDIT REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT

Max A Trevino, Chairman of the General Conference Financial Audit Review Committee, expressed his appreciation for the work that was done by Treasury.

Gina S Brown, Secretary of the General Conference Financial Audit Review Committee, presented the General Conference Financial Audit Review Committee Report, a copy of which is filed with the official minutes. It was

VOTED, 1. To accept the General Conference Financial Audit Review Committee Report.

2. To select the firm of Maner, Costerisan & Ellis, P.C., to conduct the audit for the General Conference Financial Statements for the remainder of the quinquennium.

#### TRE/08SM to REL

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

VOTED, To receive the Treasurer's Report as presented by Robert E Lemon.

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## GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION MEMBERS' MEETING

At 2:45 p.m. the General Conference Corporation members' meeting was convened, after which the business session of the General Conference Executive Committee reconvened.

## TRE/GCDO08SM/08SM to JRP

## 118-08G PROJECT GUIDELINES FOR EXTRAORDINARY TITHE PROPOSALS

At the Annual Council meetings of October 2007, Jan Paulsen announced a generous tithe gift made available to the world Church. Entities of the Church were invited to submit proposals for worthy projects. Proposals are reviewed and evaluated based upon the following criteria:

1. Scope—Projects will be in harmony with current guidelines on the use of tithe and should relate to areas of outreach and nurture such as:

- a. Internet
- b. Radio
- c. Television
- d. 10/40 Window
- e. Big Cities

f. Unentered areas and people groups (including non-ethnic groups such as secular and postmodern populations)

g. Human resource development needed to make these outreach and nurture projects effective and sustainable

h. Interdivision employee budget

2. Clear Outcomes and Assessment—Proposals will clearly list the outcomes of the projects as well as measurable success indicators that would show accomplishment. Project budgets will include one to three percent of the allocation for assessment.

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3. Achievability—Sufficient documentation must be provided to support the claim that this project can realistically accomplish its objectives within the time and resources provided by the grant.

4. Displacement—Project proposals should explain how the requested funding will make possible what would not have been accomplished through the use of regular tithe available to the division. Extraordinary tithe funding is not to supplant or displace the normal or existing budgetary allocations.

5. Sustainability—Proposals will indicate how the project's accomplishments will be maintained by the recipient organization once the special Extraordinary Tithe allocation has been exhausted.

6. Progress Report—Divisions are requested to send assessment reports on projects September 1 of each year to General Conference Treasury. Any questions or items arising from these reports will be discussed in General Conference and Division Officer interviews.

## PROJECT PRIORITIZATION PROCESS EXTRAORDINARY TITHE PROPOSALS

In order to guide the processing committee in its work, each division president is requested to meet with his officers to make a priority list of Extraordinary Tithe proposals coming from their division, based on the guidelines (see other handout) and the impact they will make on the work in the division.

Each president will then meet with one of the committee members (see list below) to share their prioritized list and discuss any additional details.

General Conference Entities (AIIAS, CWJ, AM) Pardon K Mwansa, Juan R Prestol

East-Central Africa Division Juan R Prestol

Euro-Africa Division Gary D Krause

Euro-Asia Division Homer Trecartin

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North American Division Larry R Evans

South American Division Juan R Prestol

Southern Africa-Indian Ocean Division Pardon K Mwansa

South Pacific Division Larry R Evans

Southern Asia-Pacific Division Gary D Krause

Southern Asia Division Pardon K Mwansa

West-Central Africa Division Homer Trecartin

## FinPl&Bud08SM to JRP

## 121-08G SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FROM 2007 SURPLUS

VOTED, To approve the following additional appropriations from 2007 surplus funds:

Surplus Funds - Working Capital Excess	\$12,234,034
Appropriations to: Adventist University of Africa - Building Program Trans-European Division - Additional needs 10/40 Window Contingency Fund To be distributed by ADCOM	\$ 3,500,000 1,500,000 2,000,000 \$ 5,234,034
Total Appropriations	\$12,234,034

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#### TRE/GCD008SM/08SM to JRL

## 119-08G ADVENTIST WORLD RADIO REMUNERATION SCALE CHANGES

According to the General Conference *Working Policy* Y 05 05, paragraph 6, "The General Conference office and General Conference institutions shall use the remuneration plan structure of the division/country where they are located as the basis for calculating their remuneration plans." Due to its unique ministry, the positions at Adventist World Radio do not follow the regular patterns of other Church institutions. Therefore, after careful study of the rates in the respective world divisions and unions where Adventist World Radio operates, it was

VOTED, To accept the following remuneration scale, structured by Adventist World Radio, for all current positions in the world regions as listed below. New and future positions may be added as necessary. This remuneration scale supersedes all prior scales.

	Percer	ntage
Position	Min	Max
Region Director	090	110
Global Resource Engineer	088	108
Global Training Director	088	108
Site Manager/Controller	088	108
Global Chief Engineer	088	108
Global Frequency Engineer	088	108
Associate Global Frequency Engineer	085	105
Region Chief Engineer	085	105
Associate Region Chief Engineer	082	102
Region Engineer	081	101
Region Controller	081	101
Region Program Director	081	101
Associate Program Director	068	098
Maintenance Director	068	098
Office Secretary*	060	090
Accounting Clerk*	058	088

\*Hourly rate to be established based on local hire.

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## GCSPlan/GCDO08SM/08SM to GOE

## 117-08G GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS ALLOWANCES PROPOSAL—GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION 2010

VOTED, To approve allowances for the 2010 General Conference Session, to read as follows:

CATEGORY**	2005		2010 PROPO	OSAL
	Per Diem	Meal Tickets	Per Diem for	Meal Tickets
		\$10 value	Breakfast/Incidentals	\$16.00 value
GC Delegate/	\$31 USD	2/day	\$30 USD	2/day
GC Committee Member				
Technical Staff	\$31 USD	2/day	\$30 USD	2/day
Spouse of Delegate or				
Technical Staff Not on		2/day		2/day
Official GC Business				
Delegates from Divisions	\$31 USD	*	\$30 USD	*

\*As arranged by division

\*\*No allowances will be granted to children attending the Session.

## NAD/TRE/ADCOM/08SM to RER

## 110-08G ADVENTIST HOSPITAL RETIREMENT PLAN

VOTED, To record that the General Conference Executive Committee, as sponsor of the frozen Seventh-day Adventist Hospital Retirement Plan, authorizes and directs the Retirement Plan Committee, the Plan Administrator, and the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists, as the Plan Trustee, to take any and all necessary actions consistent with provisions of Articles 9 and 10 of the Plan, to terminate the Plan and purchase annuities for Plan participants. The timing of the implementation of this action is understood to be within the discretion of the Plan Administrator and is subject to the following conditions:

1. The written recommendation of the Hospital Advisory Committee for the termination and annuitization of its benefits.

2. The approval of the General Conference Investment Committee.

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3. Compliance with the terms of the Plan Trust, including any necessary and appropriate actions by the Trustee.

4. An appropriate affirmative ruling or guidance is obtained from the Internal Revenue Service, or in the alternative, a written opinion of outside counsel is obtained that the termination/annuitization transaction can proceed without such ruling or while it is still under consideration; and

5. The Plan Administrator determines that all these conditions have been satisfied and that no other reasons exist for not implementing the termination/annuitizations, such as adverse market conditions affecting the Plan assets.

## ANDREWS UNIVERSITY REPORT

Neils-Erik Andreasen presented a report on Andrews University. The report noted there are 1.4 million students enrolled in Adventist schools worldwide. The enrollment at Andrews University is currently 6,433, of which 3,221 attend classes on campus and 3,212 take classes via distance learning throughout the world. Thirty-three thousand students have taken classes and received degrees from Andrews University. Neils-Erik Andreasen also commented on Andrews science, social sciences, and education programs. The report ended with a video presentation on Andrews University.

Prayer was offered by Baraka Muganda, Director of Youth Ministries at the General Conference.

Jan Paulsen, Chairman G T Ng, Secretary Larry R Evans, Editorial Secretary Susan Wolfe, Recording Secretary

## SPRING MEETING OF THE

#### GENERAL CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

April 7, 2008, 8:00 a.m.

#### DEVOTIONAL

The devotional message entitled, "Against All Odds," was presented by R Clifford Jones, Associate Dean of the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary and Professor of Christian Ministry.

Even as the Seventh-day Adventist Church engages in mission with vision and passion, challenges dog its path, making the Church's task difficult and daunting. Some Church leaders, beholding the resources at their disposal against the backdrop of the accumulated challenges of the day, may be inclined to ask like Andrew, "What are these among so many?" (John 6:9) Meager and miserable, our resources seem pitifully incapable of meeting the needs of the hour. Yet, we have been assured of final victory in Jesus. The question we ought to be asking is not "What are these among so many?" but rather "Is God with us?" Ultimately, success will be ours because of the intervention and miraculous work of Jesus Christ, not because of anything we have or are able to do.

Gerry D Karst, chair, called to order the third session of the 2008 Spring Meeting.

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#### PACIFIC PRESS PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION—REPORT

Dale Galusha gave a presentation outlining the history of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, as well as detailing its work today. Its focus is on sharing your faith through literature.

VOTED, To receive the report from Pacific Press Publishing Association.

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#### 08SM to MAB

#### FELDBUSH, MARTIN W-RESIGNATION

VOTED, To record receipt of the resignation submitted by Martin W Feldbush, Director of Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries, for the purpose of retirement, effective April 30, 2008.

#### 08SM to MAB

#### FELDBUSH, MARTIN W—APPRECIATION

VOTED, To express appreciation to Martin W Feldbush for his years of dedicated service to the General Conference as Associate Director and as Director of Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries.

#### SEC/08SM to MAB

#### BRANTLEY, PAUL S-ELECTION

VOTED, To elect Paul S Brantley, Director of the Office of Assessment and Program Effectiveness, as General Field Secretary of the General Conference.

#### SEC/08SM to MAB

### COUNCELL, GARY R-ELECTION

VOTED, To elect Gary R Councell as Director of Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries, effective May 1, 2008.

#### SEC/08SM to MAB

#### CEBALLOS, MARIO-ELECTION

VOTED, To elect Mario Ceballos as Associate Director of Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries.

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## 102-08Ga AUTHORIZED MEETINGS 2008

VOTED, To approve the updated list of Authorized Meetings 2008, with the understanding that attendance at these meetings must also be approved by the administration of each entity, as follows:

DATE	DAY	MEETING
21112		

## April 2008

14-May 3	Mon	Institute of World Mission	Chang Mai THAILAND
14,15	Mon	Biblical Research Institute Committee	Loma Linda CA
16	Wed	Faith and Science Council	Loma Linda CA
20,21	Sun	Oakwood College Board of Trustees	Huntsville AL
22	Tue	Ministry Professional Growth Seminar	Walla Walla WA
29	Tue	Adventist University of Africa Board	Nairobi KENYA
<u>May 2008</u>			
5-8	Mon	World Council of Editors	Nampa ID
8(am)	Thu	Ellen G White Board of Trustees	Silver Spring MD
19, 20	Mon	Loma Linda Boards and Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
20(pm)	Tue	GC Leadership Council	Silver Spring MD
21(am)	Wed	Adventist Health International Services Board	Loma Linda CA
22	Thu	Supporting Ministries Advisory Committee	Walla Walla WA
28(pm)	Wed	RH HHES Board	Hagerstown MD
28(eve)	Wed	RH Board Finance Committee	Hagerstown MD
29(am)	Thu	RH Board	Hagerstown MD
June 2008			
1(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
2	Mon	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI
9,10	Mon	Church Attorney Conference	Silver Spring MD
16-19	Mon	Staff Travel Moratorium	Silver Spring MD
18,19	Wed	PREXAD	Columbia MD
July 2008			
9-13	Wed	Global Internet Evangelism Network	Denver CO

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## DATE DAY MEETING

## July 2008 contd

<u>July 2000</u> col	inu		
14-Aug 2	Mon	Institute of World Mission	Berrien Springs MI
17(am)	Thu	Ellen G White Board of Trustees	Silver Spring MD
18-21	Fri	Adventist Risk Management Board Retreat	Woodstock VT
23(pm)	Wed	RH Board Executive/Finance Committees	Hagerstown MD

## August 2008

13(pm)	Wed	Pacific Press Finance Committee	Nampa ID
14	Thu	Pacific Press Board	Nampa ID
25,26	Mon	Loma Linda Boards and Boards Committees	Loma Linda CA
27(am)	Wed	Adventist Health International Services Board	Loma Linda CA

## September 2008

3-10	Wed	SunPlus Intensive Training Seminar	
7-10	Sun	Adventist Risk Management Conference	San Mateo CA
15-25	Mon	Staff Travel Moratorium	Silver Spring MD
16(pm)	Tue	PARL World Affairs Committee	Silver Spring MD
16(pm)	Tue	IRLA Board	Silver Spring MD
17(am)	Wed	Ellen G White Board of Trustees	Silver Spring MD
17(pm)	Wed	Department Directors/GC President Meeting	Silver Spring MD
18	Thu	GC Leadership Council	Silver Spring MD
22	Mon	Christian Record Services Finance Committee	Lincoln NE
23(am)	Tue	Christian Record Services Board	Lincoln NE
24(pm)	Wed	RH Board Finance Committee	Hagerstown MD
25(am)	Thu	RH Board	Hagerstown MD
30(am)	Tue	International Board of Education	Manila PHILIPPINES
30(pm)	Tue	Griggs University Board	Manila PHILIPPINES

## October 2008

1(am)	Wed	Accred Assoc of SDA Sch, Coll, & Univ	Manila PHILIPPINES
1(pm)	Wed	International Board of Min & Theol Ed (IBMTE)	Manila PHILIPPINES
2,3	Thu	Division Officer Interviews	Manila PHILIPPINES
5	Sun	Council on Evangelism &Witness	Manila PHILIPPINES
6	Mon	Presidents Council	Manila PHILIPPINES
6	Mon	Secretaries Council	Manila PHILIPPINES
6	Mon	Treasurers Council	Manila PHILIPPINES
6(eve)	Mon	Africa HIV/AIDS Office Board	Manila PHILIPPINES
7(am)	Tue	GC & Division Officers	Manila PHILIPPINES

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000001 2000	contu		
7(pm)	Tue	Financial Planning and Budgeting Committee	Manila PHILIPPINES
8(am)	Wed	ADRA Board	Manila PHILIPPINES
8(pm)	Wed	ATN Operating Board	Manila PHILIPPINES
8(eve)	Wed	Adventist World Radio Board	Manila PHILIPPINES
9	Thu	Commission on Ministries, Services, and Structures	Manila PHILIPPINES
9(eve)	Thu	Adventist University of Africa Board	Manila PHILIPPINES
10	Fri	GCAS Board	Manila PHILIPPINES
10(am)	Fri	AIIAS Management Committee & Bd	Manila PHILIPPINES
10(am)	Fri	Church Manual Committee	Manila PHILIPPINES
10(pm)	Fri	Adventist Mission Committee	Manila PHILIPPINES
10(eve)-15	Fri	Annual Council	Manila PHILIPPINES
20,21	Mon	Biblical Research Institute Committee	Berrien Springs MI
23	Thu	Supporting Ministries Advisory Committee	Silver Spring MD
26(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
27	Mon	Andrews University Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
28	Tue	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI
28(pm)	Tue	IWM Administrative Council	Berrien Springs MI
29(am)	Wed	Loma Linda Executive Committees	Loma Linda CA
31-Nov 2	Fri	Oakwood College Board Retreat	Huntsville AL
<u>November 20</u> 20(am)	<u>08</u> Thu	Ellen G White Board of Trustees	Silver Spring MD
December 20	08		
4	Thu	Adventist Risk Management Board	Silver Spring MD
9,10	Tue	Loma Linda Boards and Board Committees	Loma Linda CA
11(am)	Thu	Adventist Health International Services Board	Loma Linda CA
15(am)	Mon	ADRA International Board (Teleconference)	Silver Spring MD
15(ani) 16	Tue	RH Board Executive/Finance Committees	Hagerstown MD
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#### 102-08Gb AUTHORIZED MEETINGS 2009

VOTED, To approve the updated list of Authorized Meetings 2009, with the understanding that attendance at these meetings must also be approved by the administration of each entity, as follows:

**LOCATION** 

FLORIDA

Nairobi KENYA IAD and SAD

## DATE DAY MEETING

## January 2009

13-17	Tue	PREXAD
25-28	Sun	Africa HIV/AIDS Office Board
26-Feb 14	Mon	Institute of World Mission

#### February 2009

13-15	Fri	ADRA International Board and Retreat	
18	Wed	Christian Record Services Finance Committee	Lincoln NE
19	Thu	Christian Record Services Board of Trustees	Lincoln NE
20(eve)-22	Fri	Loma Linda Boards Retreat	
23,24	Mon	Loma Linda Boards and Committees	Loma Linda CA
25(am)	Wed	Adventist Health International Board	Loma Linda CA
25(am)	Wed	Geoscience Research Institute Board	Loma Linda CA

#### March 2009

<u>101011 2007</u>			
1(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
2	Mon	Andrews University Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
3	Tue	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI
3	Tue	IWM Administrative Council	Berrien Springs MI
5	Thu	AIIAS Management Committee and Board	Silang PHILIPPINES
5	Thu	Adventist Risk Management Board	Silver Spring MD
16-20	Mon	Staff Travel Moratorium	Silver Spring MD
18(pm)	Wed	Department Directors/GC President Meeting	Silver Spring MD
19	Thu	GC Leadership Council	Silver Spring MD
24(am)	Tue	Loma Linda Executive Committees	Loma Linda CA
25(pm)	Wed	Pacific Press Finance Committee	Nampa ID
25(pm)	Wed	Adventist Television Network Operating Com	Silver Spring MD
26,27(am)	Thu	Global Mission Issues Committee	Silver Spring MD

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**LOCATION** 

Nampa ID

Silver Spring MD Silver Spring MD

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## March 2009 contd

26	Thu	Pacific Press Board
29	Sun	Council on Evangelism & Witness
30(am)	Mon	Adventist Mission Committee
30(am)	Mon	International Board of Education
30(am)	Mon	Adventist World Radio Board
30(pm)	Mon	Division Officer Interviews
30(eve)	Mon	Griggs University Board
31	Tue	Presidents Council
31	Tue	Secretaries Council
31	Tue	Treasurers Council
31(pm)	Tue	Accred Assoc of SDA Sch, Coll, & Univ

## April 2009

1	Wed	Education Consultation	Silver Spring MD
1(am)	Wed	GC & Division Officers	Silver Spring MD
1(pm)	Wed	Financial Planning and Budgeting Committee	Silver Spring MD
2	Thu	Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
5,6(am)	Sun	Spring Meeting	Huntsville AL
13-May 2	Mon	Institute of World Mission	PHILIPPINES
13,14	Mon	Biblical Research Institute Committee	Loma Linda CA
15	Wed	Faith and Science Council	Loma Linda CA
19,20	Sun	Oakwood College Board of Trustees	Huntsville AL
22(pm)	Wed	RH HHES Board	Hagerstown MD
22(eve)	Wed	RH Board Finance Committee	Hagerstown MD
23(am)	Thu	RH Board	Hagerstown MD
28	Tue	Adventist University of Africa Board	Nairobi KENYA
May 2009			

#### <u>May 2009</u>

<u>Nay 2007</u>			
13-17	Wed	Global Internet Evangelism Network	Montego Bay JAMAICA
19,20	Tue	Loma Linda Boards and Committees	Loma Linda CA
20	Wed	Supporting Ministries Advisory Committee	Silver Spring MD
21(am)	Thu	Adventist Health International Services Board	Loma Linda CA
21(pm)	Thu	GC Leadership Council	Silver Spring MD
31(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
June 2009			

#### June 2009

Mon Andrews University Board

Berrien Springs MI

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#### DATE DAY MEETING **LOCATION** June 2009 contd 15-18 Mon Staff Travel Moratorium Silver Spring MD Hagerstown MD 16(pm) **RH Board Executive/Finance Committees** Tue 17,18 Wed PREXAD Silver Spring MD Geneva SWITZERLAND 23-25 Tue Intl Health Congress on Lifestyle & Primary Care July 2009 13-Aug 1 Mon Institute of World Mission Berrien Springs MI 15-16 VERMONT Wed Adventist Risk Management Board August 2009 19(eve) **PPPA** Finance Committee Wed Nampa ID 20 **PPPA Board** Nampa ID Thu 24,25 Loma Linda Boards and Committees Loma Linda CA Mon 26(am) Wed Adventist Health International Services Board Loma Linda CA September 2009 5 Sat All Africa International Hlth & Temperance Rally Nairobi KENYA 7-10 All Africa (Tri-Division) ICPA Conference Mon Nairobi KENYA **RH Board Finance Committee** 9(eve) Wed Hagerstown MD 10(am) Thu **RH** Board Hagerstown MD

13-16	Sun	Adventist Risk Management Conference	
14-24	Mon	Staff Travel Moratorium	Silver Spring MD
16(pm)	Wed	Department Directors/GC President Meeting	Silver Spring MD
17	Thu	GC Leadership Council	Silver Spring MD
21	Mon	Christian Record Services Finance Committee	Lincoln NE
22	Tue	Christian Record Services Board of Trustees	Lincoln NE
28(eve)	Mon	Griggs University Board	Silver Spring MD

#### <u>October 2009</u>

1,2(am)	Thu	<b>Division Officer Interviews</b>	Silver Spring MD
4	Sun	Presidents Council	Silver Spring MD
4	Sun	Secretaries Council	Silver Spring MD
4	Sun	Treasurers Council	Silver Spring MD
4(pm)	Sun	Church Manual Committee	Silver Spring MD
5	Mon	Council on Evangelism & Witness	Silver Spring MD
5(pm)	Mon	International Board of Education	Silver Spring MD
6(am)	Tue	GC & Division Officers	Silver Spring MD

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## DATE DAY MEETING

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## **LOCATION**

6(pm) Tue Financial Planning and Budgeting Committee Silver Spring MD 6(eve) Accred Assoc of SDA Sch, Coll, & Univ Silver Spring MD Tue 7,8 Wed Commission on Ministries, Services, and Structures Silver Spring MD 7 Wed Africa HIV/AIDS Office Board Silver Spring MD 7(eve) Wed International Board of Min & Theol Ed (IBMTE) Silver Spring MD Adventist Television Network Operating Com Silver Spring MD 8(pm) Thu 8(eve) Thu Adventist University of Africa Board Silver Spring MD AIIAS Management Committee and Board Silver Spring MD 9(am) Fri Adventist Mission Committee Fri Silver Spring MD 9(am) Adventist World Radio Board Silver Spring MD 9(am) Fri Silver Spring MD 9(eve)-14 Fri Annual Council Oakwood College Board of Trustees Huntsville AL 18,19 Sun 19,20 **Biblical Research Institute Committee** Berrien Springs MI Mon 20 Tue Loma Linda Executive Committees Loma Linda CA 22 Silver Spring MD Thu Supporting Ministries Advisory Committee Andrews University Seminary Executive Com Berrien Springs MI 25(pm) Sun 26 Mon Andrews University Subcommittees Berrien Springs MI 27 Andrews University Board Berrien Springs MI Tue **IWM Administrative Council** 27 Berrien Springs MI Tue November 2009 21 Lima PERU Sat World Festival of Religious Freedom December 2009 3 Adventist Risk Management Board Thu Silver Spring MD 8.9 Tue Loma Linda Boards and Committees Loma Linda CA 10(am) Thu Adventist Health International Services Board Loma Linda CA **RH** Board Executive/Finance Committees 14(pm) Mon Hagerstown MD

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VOTED, To approve the updated list of Authorized Meetings 2010, 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>	MEETING	<b>LOCATION</b>
<u>January 2010</u> 12-16	Tue	PREXAD	FLORIDA
<u>February 2010</u> 15	0 Mon	Christian Record Services Finance Committee	Lincoln NE
16(am)	Tue	Christian Record Services Board of Trustees	Lincoln NE
18	Thu	Africa HIV/AIDS Office Board	Nairobi KENYA
21(pm)	Sun	Loma Linda Boards—Education Day	Loma Linda CA
22	Mon	Loma Linda Boards and Committees	Loma Linda CA
23	Tue	Loma Linda Boards and Committees	Loma Linda CA
24(am)	Wed	Adventist Health International Board	Loma Linda CA
28(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
March 2010			
<u>1</u>	Mon	Andrews University Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
2	Tue	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI
4	Thu	AIIAS Management Committee and Board	Silang PHILIPPINES
15-19	Mon	Staff Travel Moratorium	Silver Spring MD
23(am)	Tue	Loma Linda Executive Committees	Loma Linda CA
29,30(am)	Mon	Global Mission Issues Committee	Silver Spring MD
30(pm)	Tue	Adventist Mission Committee	Silver Spring MD
30(pm)	Tue	Adventist World Radio Board	Silver Spring MD
31	Wed	Division Officer Interviews	Silver Spring MD
31(am)	Wed	International Board of Education	Silver Spring MD
<u>April 2010</u>			
1	Thu	Presidents Council	Silver Spring MD
1	Thu	Secretaries Council	Silver Spring MD

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**LOCATION** 

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## April 2010 contd

1         1(eve)         2(am)         4(am)         4(pm)         5         6,7(am)         12,13         14         18,19         27	Thu Thu Fri Sun Sun Mon Tue Mon Wed Sun Tue	Treasurers Council Accred Assoc of SDA Sch, Coll, & Univ Division Officer Interviews GC & Division Officers Financial Planning and Budgeting Committee Council on Evangelism & Witness Spring Meeting Biblical Research Institute Committee Faith and Science Council Oakwood College Board of Trustees Adventist University of Africa Board	Silver Spring MD Silver Spring MD Silver Spring MD Silver Spring MD Silver Spring MD Silver Spring MD Silver Spring MD Loma Linda CA Loma Linda CA Huntsville AL Nairobi KENYA
28(pm) 28(eve)	Wed Wed	HHES Board RH Board Finance Committee	Hagerstown MD Hagerstown MD
29(am)	Thu	RH Board	Hagerstown MD
<u>May 2010</u> 20 25 26 27(am)	Thu Tue Wed Thu	Supporting Ministries Advisory Committee Loma Linda Boards and Committees Loma Linda Boards and Committees Adventist Health International Services Board	Silver Spring MD Loma Linda CA Loma Linda CA Loma Linda CA
<u>June 2010</u> 6(pm) 7 10(pm) 23(pm),24(am) 24-Jul 3	Sun Mon Thu Wed Thu	Andrews University Subcommittees Andrews University Board RH Board Executive/Finance Committee General Conference Session Spiritual Emphasis General Conference Session	Berrien Springs MI Berrien Springs MI Hagerstown MD Atlanta GA Atlanta GA
July 2010			
<u>August 2010</u> 30 31	Mon Tue	Loma Linda Boards and Committees Loma Linda Boards and Committees	Loma Linda CA Loma Linda CA
September 20 1(am) 22(eve)	Wed Mon	Adventist Health International Services Board RH Board Finance Committee	Loma Linda CA Hagerstown MD

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## DATE DAY MEETING

## **LOCATION**

Hagerstown MD

September 2010 contd 23(am) Tue RH Board

## October 2010

000001 2010			
5(am)	Tue	Adventist Mission Committee	Silver Spring MD
5(am)	Tue	Adventist World Radio	Silver Spring MD
6	Wed	Africa HIV/AIDS Office Board	Silver Spring MD
7	Thu	Adventist University of Africa Board	Silver Spring MD
8(eve)-13	Fri	Annual Council	Silver Spring MD
17,18	Sun	Oakwood College Board of Trustees	Huntsville AL
19(am)	Tue	Loma Linda Executive Committees	Loma Linda CA
24(pm)	Sun	Andrews University Seminary Executive Com	Berrien Springs MI
25	Mon	Andrews University Subcommittees	Berrien Springs MI
26	Tue	Andrews University Board	Berrien Springs MI

#### November 2010

## December 2010 9(pm) Thu H

9(pm)	Thu	RH Board Executive/Finance Committees	Hagerstown MD
14	Tue	Loma Linda Boards and Committees	Loma Linda CA
15	Wed	Loma Linda Boards and Committees	Loma Linda CA

## CEW/08SM to MAF

### 120-08G YEAR OF EVANGELISM

In light of Christ's command, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," and His promise, "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come," (Mark 16:15 and Matt 24:14 NKJV) it is

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VOTED, To designate 2009 as the Year of Evangelism and further that this special evangelistic reaping emphasis continue until the General Conference Session in Atlanta in June 2010. We urge every division, union, conference, mission, and local congregation to develop evangelistic plans to reach their designated territory. We encourage every pastor and administrator as well as all of our institutions to be involved in some form of public evangelistic outreach especially during these months of evangelistic reaping leading up to the General Conference Session.

## TRE/FinPl&Bud07AC/GCDO07AC/07AC/101-07Gf/08SM to JRP

## 101-08Gd CALENDAR OF OFFERINGS-WORLD 2009

VOTED, To revise the Calendar of Offerings-World 2009, which reads as follows:

#### <u>January</u>

3	Outreach/Church Budget

10 Division

- 17 Church Budget
- 24 Conference/Union
- 31 Church Budget

#### February

7 Outreach/Church Budg	get
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14 Division

- 21 Church Budget
- 28 Conference/Union

## March

7	Outreach/Church Budget
14*+	Adventist World Radio
21	Church Budget
28	Conference/Union

## <u>April</u>

4	Outreach/Church Budget
11*+	World Mission Budget
18	Church Budget

25 Conference/Union

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<u>May</u> 2 9*+ 16 23 30	Outreach/Church Budget Disaster and Famine Relief (Program provided for NAD only) Church Budget Conference/Union Church Budget
<u>June</u> 6 13 20 27	Outreach/Church Budget Division Church Budget Conference/Union
<u>July</u> 4 11*+ 18 25	Outreach/Church Budget World Mission Budget Church Budget Conference/Union
<u>August</u> 1 8 15 22 29	Outreach/Church Budget Division Church Budget Conference/Union Church Budget
<u>September</u> 5 12*+ 19 26	Outreach/Church Budget World Mission Budget (Unusual Opportunities) Church Budget Conference/Union
<u>October</u> 3 10 17 24	Outreach/Church Budget Division Church Budget Conference/Union

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#### November

- 7 Outreach/Church Budget
  14\*+ Annual Sacrifice (Global Mission)
  21 Church Budget
  28 Conference/Union
- 31 Church Budget

## December

5	Outreach/Church Budget
12	Division
19	Church Budget
26	Conference/Union

## Summary of Offerings

General Conference	6
Division	6
Conference/Union	12
Church	28
Total	52

\*Program provided by the General Conference +Worldwide offering

## ADCOM/08SM to AG-10GCS

## 113-08GS NORTH CENTRAL AMERICAN UNION MISSION— REORGANIZATION

RECOMMENDED, To reorganize the North Central American Union Mission in the Inter-American Division into a union mission and a union mission of churches:

1. The Guatemala Union Mission constituency of Central Guatemala Mission, East Guatemala Mission, Metropolitan Guatemala Conference, North Guatemala Mission, South Guatemala Mission, and West Guatemala Mission; and

2. Belize Union Mission of Churches constituency of Belize Conference, effective May 2008.

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## ADCOM/08SM to AG-10GCS

## 114-08GS NORTH MEXICAN UNION CONFERENCE AND INTER-OCEANIC MEXICAN UNION MISSION— REORGANIZATION

RECOMMENDED, To reorganize the North Mexican Union Conference and the Inter-Oceanic Mexican Union Mission in the Inter-American Division into three unions:

1. The North Mexican Union Conference constituency of Baja California Conference, Gulf Mexican Conference, North Mexican Mission, Northeast Mexican Conference, Northwest Mexican Conference, Sinaloa Mission, and West Mexican Mission;

2. The Inter-Oceanic Union Mission constituency of Hidalgo Veracruz Conference, Oaxaca Mission, Olmeca Conference, South Pacific Conference, and South Veracruz Conference; and

3. The Central Mexican Union Mission constituency of Azteca Mexican Mission, Bajio Mexican Mission, Central Mexican Mission, and Metropolitan Mexican Conference, with their headquarters located in Mexico City, effective May 2008.

## CONNECTING WITH JESUS—UPDATE

Ted N C Wilson presented information regarding the contributions that have been given for this project as well as distribution of these books in various languages. The comprehensive South American Division plans were featured. An appeal was made to all divisions to tailor the implementation of this project for their needs. A plan is needed to not only distribute the books, but to study them using the prepared study guides. It was

VOTED, To receive the Connecting With Jesus update.

# ADVENTIST TELEVISION NETWORK, INC—CORPORATION MEETING

At 10:13 a.m., a corporation meeting of the Adventist Television Network convened, after which the business session of the General Conference Executive Committee reconvened.

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## SEC/ADCOM/08SM to LRE

## ADVENTIST INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (GCC-B)— MEMBERSHIP ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, To adjust the membership of the Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies Management Committee (GCC-B), as follows:

Add	Catane, Agapito (CPUC)
	Choi, Lisa (Layperson)
	Iverson, Clyde M Jr (NSD)
	Monnier, Eric P (BAUM)
	Orion, Daisy J (GC)
	Rathinaraj, John (SUD)
	Roque, Abner (NPUM)
	Sakul, Noldy (EIUC)
	Serrano, Wendell (SPUC)
	Shoji, Masaki (JUC)
	Sumendap, Hendrik (SSD)
	Wollan, Harald (TED)
	Yanaga, Masao (Layperson)
Delete	Dayson, Nestor D (NPUM)
	Hosai, Eiji (Layman)
	Lemon, Robert E (GC)
	Mayr, Siefried G (SSD)
	Nam, Sang Sook (Layman)
	Ng, G T (SSD)
	Sepang, Bobby J (EIUC)
	Shirashi, TakaShi (JUC)
	Tabingo, Remelito A (SPUC)
	Toledanes, Jemuel M (CPUM)
	Upson, Donald W (NSD)
	Watts, D Ronald (SUD)
	Wiklander, Bertil (TED)
Amend	Education Director, SSD; Lekic, Mike (SSD)

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#### SEC/ADCOM/08SM to LRE

## ADVENTIST INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDIES BOARD (GCC-B)—MEMBERSHIP ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, To adjust the membership of the Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies Board (GCC-B), as follows:

Add	Orion, Daisy J (GC)
	Serrano, Wendell (SPUC)

Delete Tabingo, Remelito A (SPUC)

#### SEC/ADCOM/08SM to LRE

## ADVENTIST MISSION COMMITTEE (GCC-S)—MEMBERSHIP ADJUSTMENT

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

Add	Diop, A Ganoune
	Oliver, Barry D
	Trecartin, Homer

Delete Evans, Laurie J

08SM to MLR

## ADDRESSING THE REMAINING GLOBAL MISSION CHALLENGE— RESOLUTION

The Global Mission challenge, which remains after twenty years, is more urgent than ever. The enormity of the task still facing the Church leads us to plead for the power of the Holy Spirit to be poured upon the Church and the world.

In view of the huge and growing mission challenge, it was

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VOTED, 1. To request that the world divisions include in their strategic plans specific initiatives to "reach the unreached" and that:

a. Reports on these initiatives be presented at Annual Councils.

b. Such plans indicate how resources (financial and personnel) will be allocated.

c. Creative methods and models be developed for reaching unreached people groups.

2. To request that the strategic plans of the General Conference, divisions, and unions give high priority to reaching the unreached in each territory of the world.

3. To request that Church leaders and Adventist Mission regularly inform and challenge the Church around the world regarding the scope of the unfinished tasks in the mission of the Church.

## CLOSING COMMENTS

Jan Paulsen gave a heartfelt thank you to Niels-Erik Andreasen and Andrews University for the warm and generous way they provided for the members of the Executive Committee.

He also thanked his colleagues for all the work that was done to prepare for these meetings and the General Conference Executive Committee for their presence and participation.

Prayer was requested for Andrews University and for those who will be travelling home.

Prayer was offered by Jan Paulsen, President of the General Conference.

Gerry D Karst, Chairman Claude Sabot, Secretary Larry R Evans, Editorial Secretary Tamara K Boward, Recording Secretary