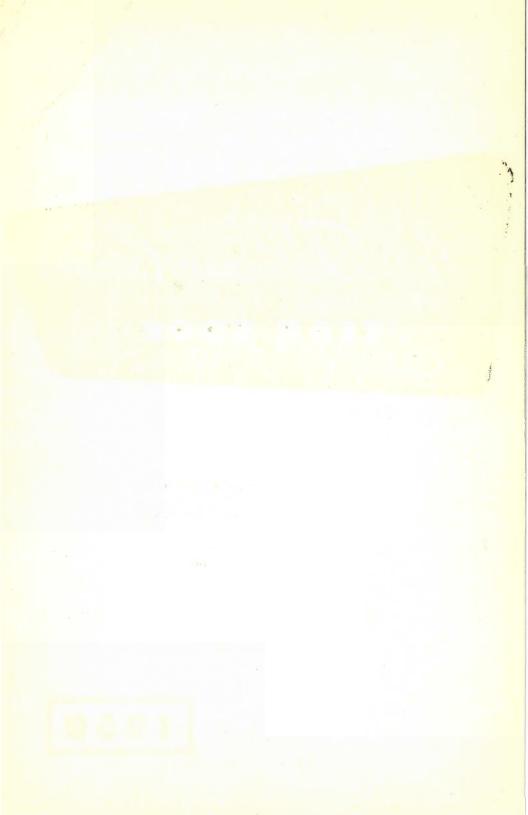
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. . . In Memorium . . .

THE REV. FRANKLIN M. HOTTEL

He fell asleep in Jesus on Sunday, October 24, 1960

The Rev. Franklin M. Hottel was born in Coopersburg, Pennsylvania on August 20, 1882, a son of Solomon and Mary Hottel. He was educated in the Coopersburg School District.



While a young boy he was led to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ through the efforts of a godly layman. He was baptized in Coopersburg just to the rear of the church in a stream.

On March 3, 1906 he was joined in holy matrimony to Miss Ida G. Moyer of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Together they observed their 54th wedding anniversary last March. Sister Hottel was always a faithful companion—godly mother—and able assistant to our Brother Hottel in all of his work in the Church.

He was licensed by the annual Conference in 1905 and began his ministry in the church extension department of the Church in Washington, New Jersey. He labored here until 1907. In 1907 he was assigned to his first Conference appointment—the Fleetwood-Blandon and Terre Hill circuit.

He served the Fleetwood circuit 1907 to 1910. He served the Grace Church in Reading 1910 until 1914. Philadelphia Salem 1914 until 1923—during which time he opened a branch church in Northeast Philadelphia in a section known as Wissinoming. He served as Pastor of the Bethlehem Church 1923 until 1932. He then returned to Reading where he served an additional thirteen years from 1932 to 1945. In 1945 he became Pastor of

the Bethel Church, Allentown, and served until 1948. In 1948 he moved to Shamokin and finished his ministry there in 1954 when he reached the compulsory retirement age.

During these years of ministry Brother Hottel served on many important Boards and committees such as Board of Directors, Board of Foreign Missions, Home Board. He was chairman of his division's Mizpah Grove Camp for many years and also served as treasurer several additional years.

As one reviews the ministry of our Brother Hottel he is impressed with the ministry in SONG the Lord gave him. He loved to sing, and could sing. He led his own congregations and many large conference appointments in songs of praise, adoration and consecration. During the late years one often heard him singing as one would stop to visit him or pass by his home.

Another characteristic of Bro. Hottel's ministry was the intense love God gave him for people of all ages. He was very much at home in Children's work. He was a most successful young people's worker. His ministry among the families of his churches was always most fruitful. Then he could always say just the right word to those in their declining years.

In October of 1954 he was retired from the active ministry and moved to his late home in Allentown, Pa. Again there was no let up—or pause—or period of rest—for he became a most active and faithful member of Bethel Church. He was a class leader, deacon, member of Official Board and even a member of the Church Chorus Choir. For six months in 1955 he served as interim pastor of Newark, New Jersey Church and made a number of new friends and worked in a most acceptable manner. During the years since he became active in the work at Mizpah Grove, he assisted in the establishment of the youth camps at Victory Valley and preached in many of our churches.

Brother Hottel was completely dedicated to the Lord. He was a beloved pastor, faithful counselor, esteemed husband and most godly father. He was the spiritual father of untold numbers.

Besides his wife, Ida G., he is survived by the following children: Harvey W., Bethesda, Maryland; Clarence W., Baltimore, Maryland; Rev. Winifred B., Mount Carmel, Pa.; Verletta M., wife of Byron C. Cassel, Glenside, Pa.; Ruth H., wife of Mr. Herb Cassel, Allentown, Pa.; Grace P., wife of Mr. Ralph Reed, Reading, Pa.; 16 grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the Bethel Bible Fellowship Church, Allentown, Pennsylvania, of which he was a member, in charge of District Superintendent F. B. Hertzog. He was assisted by Pastor A. L. Seifert and some of the ministering Brethren. The Pastors Quartet sang several selections requested by Brother Hottel. Nearly all of the Pastors and Church Extension workers were present, together with many friends and former members to pay him a merited tribute of respect. After the service six of the pastors, serving as pallbearers, carried his body to its final resting place in the Coopersburg Bible Fellowship Cemetery, there to await the resurrection of the dead in Christ.



The Home for the Aging, Nazareth, Penna.

OFFICIAL RECORD

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- **Board of Church Extension:** C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman; A. L. Seifert, Secretary; F. B. Hertzog, Jansen E. Hartman, William A. Heffner, Clayton E. Weber, S. A. Hackman.
- Board of Trustees of the Home: T. D. Gehret, Chairman; E. W. Bean, Secretary; David E. Thomann, Assistant Secretary; Paul I. Wentz, Sr., Treasurer.

Trustees for one year—T. D. Gehret, Earl M. Hosler, Ernest B. Hartman, R. H. Gehman, Timothy H. Gehman, George W. Krigor.

Trustees for two years—F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, David E. Thomann, E. W. Bean, Paul I. Wentz, Sr., Harold A. Mann.

- Board of Education: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood.
 - Members for one year—W. B. Hottel, John H. Riggall, John Stengele, Daniel K. Ziegler.

Members for two years—T. D. Gehret, Byron C. Cassel, Robert W. Gehret, Roy E. Williams.

Members for three years—Jansen E. Hartman, A. L. Wentz, Horace A. Kauffman.

- Committee on Ministerial Candidates: Donald T. Kirkwood, Chairman; Carl C. Cassel, Secretary; William A. Heffner, P. T. Stengele, Jansen E. Hartman.
- Committee on Publication and Printing: John H. Riggall, Chairman; John Dunn, Secretary; Willard E. Cassel.
- Committee Over District Superintendents: W. W. Hartman, Chairman; Frank L. Herb, Jr., Secretary; P. T. Stengele.
- Youth Fellowship General Committee: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, Carl C. Cassel, LeRoy S. Heller, Daniel K. Ziegler, Russell T. Allen, Donal Siegfried, Clyde W. Snyder, Harold P. Shelly, Jr., Warren Zuck.
- Laymen's Benevolent Society: Arthur W. Deppe, President; Allen S. Weiss, Secretary; A. L. Wentz, Treasurer.
- Victory Valley Camp Committee: Carl C. Cassell, Chairman; David E. Thomann, Secretary: S. A. Hackman, Treasurer; F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, Clayton E. Weber, Kermit K. Gehman.
- Sunday School Promotion Committee: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, William A. Heffner.

For one year—Robert W. Smock, James R. Cressman, William E. Miller. For two years—W. B. Hottel, Norman L. Reed, Horace A. Kauffman. For three years—James G. Koch, R. Glenn Rohrbach, Harlan Wolf.

- Beneficiary Society: N. H. Wolf, President; R. C. Reichenbach, Secretary; John H. Riggall, Treasurer.
- Committee on Church Publication: David E. Thomann, R. C. Reichenbach, Robert W. Smock, James R. Cressman, Robert W. Gehret.

Business Rules of the Conference

- 1. Two sessions shall be held daily as follows: From 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and from 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- 2. The Chairman shall take his seat precisely at the time to which the Conference is to convene, open and conduct the devotional exercises. The Secretary shall call the roll and read the minutes of the preceeding session, after which business shall proceed as follows:
 - (a) Committee Reports.(b) Petitions.(c) Unfinished Business.(d) Miscellaneous Business.
- 3. Anyone wishing to speak shall rise and respectfully address the Chair. In case more than one should address the Chair at the same time, the Chairman shall decide who is entitled to the floor.
- 4. No one shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes on any subject unless he receives permission by the Chair.
- 5. No one shall speak the second time until all who desire have spoken. He shall then ask permission of the Chairman.
 - 6. It shall be the duty of the Chairman to preserve order.
- 7. A Resolution to be effective must appear on the Minutes of the current year's proceedings. Said Resolution must appear on the Minutes for at least three successive years before it can be placed in the Standing Rules of the Conference. [Enacted October 19, 1956.]

Committees

Committees appointed by the Chairman, subject to the approval of the Conference:

- Committee on Worship.
- 2. Committee on Communication.
- 3. Committee on Finance.
- 4. Committee on Statistics.
- 5. Committee on Examination of Annual Conference Records.
- Committee on Examination of Local Conference Records.
- 7. Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders.
- 8. Committee on Examination of Applicants for Annual Conference License.
- 9. Committee on Examination of Candidates for Ordination.
- 10. Committee on Resolutions.
- 11. Auditing Committee.
- 12. Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee (Constitution provided for by Annual Conference By-Laws).

Standing Committees

- (a) Appointed by the Chairman
- 1. Committee on Publication and Printing.
 - (b) Elected by Ballot
- 1. Board of Directors.
- 2. Board of Foreign Missions.
- 3. Board of Church Extension.

- 4. Board of the Home.
- 5. Board of Education.
- 6. Ministerial Candidate Committee.
- 7. Committee Over the District Superintendents.
- 8. Youth Fellowship General Committee.
- 9. Beneficiary Society (Officers elected by the Society).
- 10. Laymen's Benevolent Society Officers.
- 11. Victory Valley Committee.
- 12. Sunday School Promotion Committee.

BY-LAWS

(Special Laws and Resolutions)

I.—Annual Conference Members

Members of the Annual Conference shall be as follows:

- 1. All ordained ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church laboring under the direction of the Annual Conference.
- 2. All probationers who have charge of a conference appointment under direction of the Annual Conference.
 - 3. All retired ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church.
- 4. Lay delegate(s) from each church or circuit as provided by the By-Laws.

Advisory members of the Annual Conference shall be as follows:

- 1. Ordained ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church who retain their membership in one of our local churches, and who are engaged in Christian service not directly responsible to our Annual Conference.
 - 2. Church Extension Pastors.
- 3. Missionaries who hold membership in one of our local churches and are under the supervision of the Foreign Mission Board of the Bible Fellowship Church.

Participation in proceedings of the Annual Conference shall be as follows:

- 1. Only members of the Annual Conference shall be eligible to vote.
- 2. Advisory members shall not be permitted to participate in Conference discussions except by request of the Chairman.

All members of the Annual Conference shall be present at each session. In case of absence they shall submit a written report stating cause of absence. [Enacted February 3, 1892.]

The District Superintendents and the delegates of all stations and circuits shall constitute the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee. The Annual Conference may grant the status of a station to a mission church which has contributed a minimum of \$3,000.00 through the steward offering and has petitioned Annual Conference requesting the change declaring that it no longer desires a Home Mission appropriation.

If a station fails to contribute \$3,000.00 steward offering, they shall forfeit their voice in the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee.

The Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee shall have the right to revise the above amount annually.

II.—Applicants and Probationers

- A.—No applicants for the Ministry shall be received into the Conference as Probationers who are not willing to submit themselves unconditionally to the Stationing Committee. [Revised October 17, 1903.]
- B.—All applicants for the Ministry shall be examined by one of the District Superintendents as mutually agreed upon, on our Articles of Faith and Church Discipline.
- C.—No Probationer shall be ordained who is not fully in accord with our doctrine, with the itinerant plan, and submission to the Conference. [Enacted February 3, 1890.]
- D.—Licenses shall be written and given by the Chairman of the Annual Conference and signed by the District Superintendent, as Chairman.

III.-Local Conference Rules

- A.—Each pastor shall see that the Summary Financial Reports are correctly compiled and appended to the proceedings of the last Local Conference of the current year.
- B.—No person shall be elected to the office of Deacon, Class Leader, or Sunday School Superintendent who uses or deals in tobacco. [Enacted February 20, 1897.]
- C.—The Local Conference accounts of the Stewards shall be from quarter to quarter, and the reports on the schedules from October 1 to September 30. In case a Pastor is changed, his allowances shall end with the month of September. The Pastors shall report the amounts received out of the Church Extension Fund at the Local Conference. [Revised October 15, 1910.]
- D.—When any congregation contemplates an expenditure involving an amount in excess of \$500.00 except in cases of emergency, the same shall be submitted to the Local Conference for approval. In no case shall a congregation be permitted to mortgage church property for current expenses. [Enacted October, 1948.]
- E.—Any charges brought against a Pastor or District Superintendent must be in writing and properly signed by the party or parties bringing the charges. [Enacted October, 1947.]
- F.—In case a Local Conference desires to sell church property, they must receive the approval of the Board of Directors before conveying title. [Enacted October, 1948.]

IV.—Boards and Committees

The following Boards and Committees shall, as soon as practicable after their election, elect a President and a Secretary: Board of Directors, Board of Foreign Missions, Board of Church Extension, Board of the Home, Committee on Publication and Printing, Victory Valley Committee and Sunday School Promotion Committee.

The Annual Conference shall elect a Treasurer annually who shall be the Treasurer for the Board of Directors, Board of Foreign Missions, Board of Church Extension, Board of the Home, Committee on Publication and Printing, Victory Valley Committee and Sunday School Promotion Committee.

He shall deposit all the various funds in banks and trust companies approved by the Board of Directors, in the name of the Bible Fellowship Church

Treasurer. The various Boards shall draw on the Treasurer for the funds needed, using form of voucher check furnished by the Annual Conference. They shall not draw beyond the amount of their respective funds except by permission of the Board of Directors.

The Treasurer shall keep an account of the amounts drawn by each Board in a book furnished by the Annual Conference and report to the Annual Conference the standing of each fund, and furnish each member of the Board of Directors annually with a statement itemizing the various securities held and the monies on deposit in banks and trust companies.

All Boards and Standing Committee shall submit a full and classified report of their work, financial and otherwise, to the Annual Conference. They shall hold meetings annually or oftener.

Board of Directors.—The Annual Conference shall elect a Board of Directors annually consisting of six ordained Ministers who are members of the Annual Conference and willing to minister under the direction of our Conference, the discipline and the By-Laws of the corporation, and three laymen in good standing with their Local Conference, which Board shall then organize by electing the following officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

The Board of Directors shall transact all the business of the Corporation which was previously taken care of by the Executive Board for the Annual Conference.

All vacancies occurring between Annual Conference sessions shall be filled by the remaining members of the Board.

The Board of Directors shall have charge of all the property belonging to the Corporation including property now held by the Executive Board in trust for the Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church, except where there is a regularly organized class or church that has a local Board of Trustees and where the Annual Conference has otherwise provided for, by electing a separate Board of Trustees.

The Board of Directors shall determine how and where the money of the Corporation shall be deposited, and also have the right to place it on certificate of deposit, or savings deposit, or make other good, safe and substantial investments.

The Board of Directors shall not buy nor sell property except by the approval of all the members of the Board or by Annual Conference resolution.

The Board of Directors shall have the authority to sell any property deeded to a local Board of Trustees at places where for any reason there is no longer a local Board, or class, or organized church, and execute and deliver a lawful deed and conveyance, and use the net proceeds of the sale of such property for other church properties as it may deem advisable.

The Board of Directors shall have the right to borrow money and issue mortgages or make loans against any property of the Corporation by the ap-

proval of all the members of the Board, or by Annual Conference resolution. The Board shall also authorize the satisfaction and cancellation of any mortgages as notes fully paid.

It shall have charge of all the old Local Conference records, class records, and all other records that are no longer needed by the various classes, boards or committees.

It shall act as a Board of Advisers to the Pastors and the Board of Church Extension in matters relative to the purchasing of properties for church purposes and the erection of churches and parsonages.

It shall act as a Board of Advisers to the Laymen's Benevolent Society in all matters not clearly stated, and in matters of dispute that may arise from time to time between Annual Conference sessions.

It shall purchase all tabernacles and living tents, also the lumber for camp meeting purposes and all new furniture and such articles as may be needed.

It shall designate the place and arrangement for the storing of the Camp Meeting equipage and tabernacle outfits.

Camp Meetings held in Mizpah Grove shall pay into the treasury of the Board of Directors rent for the lumber that they use at the rate designated by the said Board.

In case there is a balance left at the various Camp Meetings after all the expenses are paid, it shall be deposited into the treasury of the Board of Directors.

The title to Church property where the Church is incorporated shall be conveyed directly to the Corporation. In cases where the Church is not incorporated the conveyance shall be made to a Board of Trustees duly elected according to the Rules of the Annual Conference (setting forth their names), their successors and assigns. Whether the title is conveyed to a Corporation or to a Board of Trustees, said title shall contain a trust clause in the following words:

The title to Parsonages shall be conveyed in like manner as the Churches and shall contain the following clause of trust:

In trust, that said premises shall be kept, maintained, and disposed of as a place of residence for the use and occupancy of the preachers of the Bible Fellowship Church who are from time to time duly appointed in said place according to the rules and usages of the said church, and if sold, the proceeds to be used according to the rules of said church. If the congregation controlling this property shall be disbanded the property shall be controlled and disposed of according to the rules of the Bible Fellowship Church.

Foreign Missions.—A.—A General Secretary shall be elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference from among the ordained ministers. By virtue of his office he shall be a member of the Board of Foreign Missions. The Board of Foreign Missions shall consist of the District Superintendents, General Secretary, two ordained ministers and four laymen. All money contributed throughout the conference for the cause of Foreign Missions shall be paid into the Annual Conference Treasury. They shall disburse the funds that they receive for the spread of the Gospel in heathen lands according as they deem good and proper.

B.—Each pastor shall hold a Foreign Missionary Service at each appointment annually soon after Annual Conference and speak on Foreign Missions. At this service a subscription for Foreign Missions shall be taken to be collected before February 1. [Revised October, 1948.]

C.—The members of our Church shall be respectfully recommended to forward their funds for the Foreign Missionaries through the Foreign Missionary Board and not to the missionaries directly, which would lessen or cause to neglect their contributions in the direct channel provided by Conference for the support pledged to our respective missionaries.

D.—The Pastor shall see that the Superintendent of each Sunday School appoint a "Missionary Day" semi-annually. In this service the necessity of establishing and supporting Foreign Missions shall be impressed upon the minds of the children, and an offering taken for the same. [Enacted February 3, 1934.]

E.—The Women's Missionary Societies that have been or may be organized in our churches shall be recognized by and report to the Local Conference.

Church Extension.—A.—The Director of Church Extension shall hold a Church Extension Service annually at each conference appointment in cooperation with the pastor.

B.—Whenever a Pastor and Superintendent of the Sunday School desire, they may be permitted to designate one of the Semi-Annual Missionary Offerings for Church Extension in the place of Foreign Missions, or may have a Church Extension offering in addition.

The Home.—The Annual Conference shall elect a Board of Trustees for The Home consisting of eight ordained ministers and four laymen. They shall be elected for a term of two years in such a manner that the term of office of four ministers and two laymen expire at each Annual Conference.

The Board of Trustees shall have the privilege to elect or appoint a Superintendent or Manager, sub-boards or committees to carry forward the work of the Home and the farm connected therewith, and shall direct all other matters relative to the same.

It shall have the right to purchase additional property from time to time as it deems necessary to carry on the work of the Home and shall also have the right to sell any property that to the best of its judgment it may deem advisable for the interest of the work under its supervision and trust and execute and deliver good and lawful deeds and conveyances for the same, if approved by all the members of the Board, or by Annual Conference Resolution.

It shall have the right to remove any of the present buildings or to erect additions to the present building or erect additional buildings as may be needed to carry on the work of the Home and the farm connected therewith, if approved by all the members of the Board, or by Annual Conference Resolution.

It shall have the right to borrow money and give mortgages or other securities on the properties. It shall have the right to loan out any funds in its possessions on mortgages or other securities or make other investments with the funds that it may have on hand, and also satisfy all mortgages or other securities, if approved by all the members of the Board, or by Annual Conference Resolution.

It shall decide as to who shall be admitted into the Home and on what conditions, and shall also decide to whom and to what extent the Board shall give help to worthy poor throughout the Church.

Contributions for the Home may be made to the Manager or to any of the Pastors, who shall acknowledge the receipt of the same.

Each Pastor shall hold a special service at each appointment on which occasion the Annual Offering for the Home shall be received. The Pastors shall bring this offering to the Annual Conference and pay it into the Annual Conference Treasury as The Home fund.

All money collected for charitable purposes not paid over to the Treasurer of the Board of The Home shall be included in the report of the Treasurer of the local Board of Trustees where collected.

In case there are any poor in any class that need help beyond that given them by their respective classes, the deacon on that charge where there is one, or the Pastor where there is no deacon shall make known the nature of the need to the President of the Board of The Home, who shall bring the matter before the Board. The Board shall assist as it may deem advisable.

Duties of Board of Education

- 1. They shall be responsible for the Doctrines and Practices of the School. They shall safeguard the Fundamental Doctrines of the Bible as set forth in the Discipline and shall enforce the regulations of the Annual Conference.
 - 2. They shall be responsible for the provision of facilities for the school.
- 3. They shall be responsible for the execution of all legal transactions relating to the institution.
- 4. They shall be responsible for all funds received as provided by the Annual Conference.
 - 5. They shall elect the President of the School and define his duties.
- 6. They shall approve all appointments of teachers, administration officers, and major employees upon the recommendation of the President and Faculty Committee.
- 7. They shall give a full report of all activities of the School to the Annual Conference each year. They shall also present a prospective budget for the coming year.
- 8. They shall divide the responsibilities by choosing committees from among their own members, and sub-committees from among non-members of the Board.

9. All members of the Board and Faculty shall sign a doctrinal statement on the fundamental beliefs of the Church annually.

Publication and Printing.—A.—The Chairman shall appoint a committee of three ordained ministers as a Committee on Publication and Printing. This committee shall have charge of the Publication and Printing Fund.

B.—The Annual Conference shall supply class books, steward books, parsonage fund collector's books, trustee books, and all other account books for the different charges to be paid out of the Publication and Printing Fund. All expenses of materials used by the Secretary of the Annual Conference shall be paid by this Fund.

C.—All expenses of committees of investigation, appointed by the District Superintendent, shall be paid out of the Conference Fund. [Revised October 17, 1903.]

Ministers' Retirement Fund.—This shall be a permanent Fund for the benefit of retired ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church.

The object of this Fund shall be to provide and pay annuities to itinerant ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church who by reason of age are no longer qualified to continue in active service; also to provide and pay annuities to the widows of such itinerant ministers according to the rules hereinafter stated.

The Funds shall be sustained by—First—An offering received by each Class Leader in his prayer meeting once a quarter and paid to the District Superintendent at the Local Conference. The District Superintendents shall pay to the Treasurer the amounts received for this purpose at the Adjourned Session and at the Annual Conference.

Second—Each Pastor shall pay into this Fund from his Steward's receipts and from his Church Extension Appropriations and each District Superintendent from his offerings at the Local Conference as follows: One per cent of the first thousand dollars or fraction thereof, 1½ per cent of the second thousand dollars and above. Fifteen hundred (\$1500.00) dollars of the District Superintendents' offerings shall be exempt from assessment to offset traveling expenses. Payments shall be made at the Adjourned Session and at the Annual Conference.

Third—This Fund will also welcome gifts, bequests and devises from any sources.

Fourth—This Retirement Fund shall be deposited with the Treasurer as a separate account and be under the management and control of the Board of Directors of the Annual Conference.

Annuities

First—If a minister of the Bible Fellowship Church has arrived at the age of sixty-five years and is in the judgment of the Board of Directors incapacitated from further serving a charge, he shall be placed on the Retirement List and dating from the time that he has received Annual Conference License, shall receive an Annuity in monthly installments of twenty-four dollars for each year of active service.

Second—A minister having arrived at the age of seventy years may at his own request be placed on the Retirement List and receive an Annuity of

twenty-four dollars for each year of active service of the Bible Fellowship Church of Pennsylvania.

Third—Services rendered after the age of seventy-two years shall in no case increase the Annuity. Annuities shall in no case exceed nine hundred sixty dollars per year. If, however, the money in the Retirement Fund at any time should not warrant the payment of the Annuities in full the Board of Directors shall determine the amount of the monthly installments pro rata.

Fourth—No minister shall be entitled to the full amount of the Annuities unless he and the congregations that he served shall have paid in full as stipulated in paragraphs one, two and three for the period of five years. No exceptions to this rule may be made except by the decision of the Board of Directors.

Fifth—In case a minister is located by the Annual Conference he ceases to be a member of the Retirement Fund. In this case one-half of the dues he had paid into the Fund shall be refunded to him and he thereby forfeits all further claims upon the Fund. A minister who has given thirty years or more of service and desires to change his occupation and be placed on the Local Preachers List shall become an annuitant at the age of seventy years, and receive an annuity for the years in actual service.

Sixth—Widows of deceased ministers who had complied with the provisions of the fund shall receive annuities beginning at the time of the death of the husband provided that the said widow shall have attained the age of sixty-five years or at the time that she shall attain the age of sixty-five years, and continue until the time of her death, or remarriage or her severance from church membership of the Bible Fellowship Church. Widows of ministers who were retired and receiving annuities at the time of marriage shall in no case receive any annuity. Widows' annuities shall be compiled at the rate of \$12.00 for each year that she was the wife of a minister who was in active service, giving his whole time to ministry in the Church, but in no case to exceed four hundred eighty dollars in one year. [Enacted October, 1935, Revised October, 1955.]

The Treasurer shall acknowledge to the various Pastors any contributions which he has received from time to time for this Fund.

Laymen's Benevolent Society.—The Annual Conference shall elect annually a Board of three Trustees from among the laity for the Laymen's Benevolent Society. The annual Conference shall elect and designate them as President, Secretary and Treasurer of said board.

Whenever a member of the Society dies, the Pastor shall return the membership book to the Secretary.

Whenever a member of the Laymen's Benevolent Society fails to pay his contribution till after February 1, after it was due, he shall pay then and thereafter at the rate under which he would re-enter at that time as a beneficiary. The Pastor shall be careful that the names of members shall be written correctly and alike in both the Member's Certificate Book and the Pastor's Book. The Pastor should always be careful to send names of members exactly as recorded when he forwards the respective contributions to the Treasurer through the Secretary. If for any reason or other the names of members should change, then the change should be recorded on the books and the Secretary of the Society be informed accordingly.

Camp Meetings.—There shall be a General Camp Meeting Committee, consisting of two District Superintendents and the officers of each Camp Meeting Committee, to which matters that may refer to Camp Meetings in general may be referred. [Enacted October, 1906.] The offerings at Camp Meetings shall be reported by the Chairman of the General Camp Meeting Committee and be recorded by themselves in the Summary Statistical Report. [Enacted October 16, 1909.]

All bills of Camp Meeting expenses shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Committee in an itemized form giving date of all expenses. The secretary shall have the bill O.K.'d by the Chairman of the Committee and issue an order on the Treasurer, who shall pay such orders when properly signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the Committee.

The Secretary shall enter the bills in his book as they are submitted, and also enter all money as it is received, giving date, and name of party from whom such money is received, making the Camp Meeting Committee creditor for all money received and debtor for all money paid out. He shall also compile a summary of receipts and expenses at the end of the record of all expenses for the year.

The Treasurer shall make himself debtor in his book for all the various amounts of money as they are received and creditor for all money paid out, giving date and name of party or parties from whom the money is received and date and name of party or parties and number of order to whom money is paid. [Enacted October 10, 1908.]

Church Extension Department.—The Board of Church Extension shall recommend applicants to the Committee on Annual Conference License. It shall make recommendations to Annual Conference as to the advisability of admitting Church Extension Churches into the Annual Conference.

Year Books.—A.—The Secretary of the Annual Conference shall be Editor and Publisher of the Year Book. The official minutes of the Annual Conference shall be published therein.

B.—The Secretary of the Annual Conference shall send Year Books to our Foreign Missionaries, to the Eastern and Western Clergy Bureaus and to any other agencies deemed advisable.

C.—The Pastors shall pay for their Year Books within one week after they receive them.

In case a church or parsonage is built or purchased during the year, a photograph of the same shall be taken and a cut inserted in the Year Book next year.

V.-Special Services

A.—Matrimony.—Each pastor shall preach a sermon on Matrimony at each appointment on his charge in the first year.

B.—The Lord's Coming.—Believing that the coming of the Lord is rapidly approaching, therefore we recommend our ministers to give still more earnest prominence to this blessed hope of the Church as we see the Day approaching. [Enacted February 4, 1894.]

C.—As the Scriptures contain a number of instances where children of Godly parents were formally and publicly dedicated to the Lord, (I Sam.

1:24-28; Mark 10:13-16), we heartily encourage our people to dedicate their children to the Lord by prayer and laying on of the hands of the Elders, who shall then furnish proper certificates. [Enacted October 5, 1901.]

D.—Class Meetings.—Each Pastor shall hold a class meeting four times a year in each class, and read the general rules or have them read once a year. [See Discipline.]

E.—Camp Meetings.—Camp Meetings shall be held annually according to the decision of the District Superintendents and Pastors of their respective districts.

VI.—Special Offerings

1.-To be Paid at the Adjourned Session of Annual Conference

A-Beneficiary Fund-Annual.

A free-will offering from each class.

B-Publication and Printing-Annual.

An offering from each church on the basis of forty cents per member according to the membership reported at the last Annual Conference.

C-Ministers' Retirement Fund.

- (a) A quarterly offering taken by each class leader and paid over to the District Superintendent at the Local Conference.
- (b) Ministers' personal offerings from receipts since the Annual Conference.

D-Moving Fund-Annual.

An offering from each Church on the basis of fifty cents per member according to the membership reported at the last Annual Conference.

2.—To be paid at the Annual Conference

E-Foreign Missions.

- (a) Offering for Foreign Missions—Annual.

 Pledges shall be taken between Conference and New Year.
- (b) Missionary Offerings in the Sunday School—Semi-annual.

F-Church Extension-Annual.

Offering for Church Extension Work.

Pledges shall be taken between New Year and April 1.

G-The Home-Annual.

Offering for the Home for the Aging.

This shall be taken on or before Thanksgiving Day.

H—Annual Conference Expenses—Annual.

This amount shall be paid by each class on the basis of fifteen cents per member reported at the last Annual Conference.

I-Ministers' Retirement Fund.

- (a) A quarterly offering received by each class leader and paid over to the District Superintendent at the Local Conference.
- (b) Ministers' personal offerings from receipts since the Adjourned Session. (See Article "Ministers' Retirement Fund").

Note A—Offerings A, B, C, and D shall be paid by the Ministers at the Adjourned Session. All the others shall be paid at the Annual Conference.

Note B—Offering A shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Beneficiary Society.

Note C—The other offerings, E, F, G, H, I, shall be paid to the Bible Fellowship Church; offering E on one check and all the others on a separate check.

Note D—For the convenience of all concerned, all of these offerings should be paid by check or money order. If paid in cash, it should be enclosed in an envelope stating name of the giver, the amount enclosed and the fund for which it is designated.

3.-Miscellaneous Offerings

- (a) Offering for the District Superintendents' Parsonages to be forwarded before April 1 to Jansen E. Hartman, 1020 S. Hall Street, Allentown, Pa. and make check payable to the Bible Fellowship Church.
- (b) Offering for Berean Bible School to be sent by May 1 and make check payable to Berean Bible School, 1020 S. Hall Street, Allentown, Pa.
- (c) Offering for Victory Valley Youth Camp to be sent by March 1 to Jansen E. Hartman, 1020 S. Hall Street, Allentown, Pa. Make check payable to Bible Fellowship Church.
- (d) Offering for Sunday School Promotion to be sent by April 1 to James R. Cressman, 1128 N. New Street, Bethlehem, Pa. Make check payable to Bible Fellowship Church.

VII.-Miscellaneous

A.—Transfers.—When a good standing member moves from one class to another, his or her name shall be transferred at once. [Enacted February 2, 1894.]

B.—Each Pastor shall bring an itemized report to the Annual Conference, according to the form of the report of the Financial Secretary.

C.—No charges shall be brought against any Annual Conference member which have not been recorded in the Local Conference proceedings of their charge, except such as have been committed or discovered since the last Local Conference. [Enacted February 1, 1891.]

D.—Beneficiary Fund.—We recommend each Pastor to make a special effort to swell the Beneficiary Fund to assist the worthy widows of our deceased Pastors. [Enacted October 29, 1904.] An offering for this Fund shall be received some time before the Adjourned Session and a check to the amount be made out to the Treasurer and brought to the Adjourned Session.

E.—Ministers' Retirement Fund.—A free-will offering shall be received in each prayer meeting class once each quarter by their respective Class Leaders for the Ministers' Retirement Fund. [Enacted October 20, 1934.]

F.—Church Extension Funds.—Whenever any District Superintendent desires any money from the Church Extension Fund, he shall inform the Secretary of the desired amount, who shall take note of the same and forward

the request to the Treasurer, who shall forward the same to the District Superintendent, up to the amount appropriated to him at the Annual Conference.

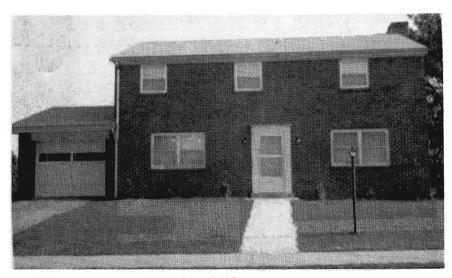
- G.—Collections.—The Pastor shall have charge of the offerings for the Home, Foreign and Church Extension, until the Annual Conference unless needed sooner. The offering for the Ministers' Retirement Fund shall be delivered to the District Superintendent at the Local Conference and reported by the Pastor to the Annual Conference. All collections received on a charge for the building or purchase of churches, parsonages or other purposes on another charge shall be reported to the Pastor where collected. [Enacted October 28, 1904.]
- H.—No offering shall be received for the Secretary of the Annual Ministerial Conventions, but a donation of two dollars shall be given him out of the Collections for expenses for the Ministerial Conventions. The chairman of the Conventions shall see that the above is duly paid.
- I.—The Pastor, by virtue of his office, shall be counted as an officer of the Sunday School. The number of officers and teachers of the Sunday School shall be determined by the number of offices and not only by the number of persons holding the offices.
- J.—Annual Conference Records.—The Committee on Annual Conference Records shall carefully compare the Annual Year Book with the annual Conference Minutes and note any and all errors, make a copy of any and all corrections, omissions or additions and certify in the following form:

We hereby certify that we have examined the Annual Conference Minutes for the Session of_____and found them correct except as follows:

Two copies of this certificate shall be made and signed by the Committee and pasted into two copies of the Conference Year Book, one to be held by the Chairman of the Annual Conference and one by the Secretary. These shall serve as the Records of the Annual Conference.

- K.—The time limit for District Superintendents, Church Extension Director and Pastors shall be nine years.
- L.—The Director of Church Extension shall be recognized as a traveling elder and is a member of the Board of Church Extension.
- M.—The retirement age for District Superintendents and Pastors is established at 72 years.
- N.—The Discipline of the Bible Fellowship Church as passed by the 1951 General Conference and the present Annual Conference Rules are the By-Laws of the Bible Fellowship Church.
- O.—The Director of Church Extension shall under all circumstances function in cooperation with the District Superintendents, and in all matters of importance act only by the approval of the Board of Church Extension.
- P.—In the event of a vacancy in the office of District Superintendent, the Board of Directors shall determine which of the Vice-District Superintendents shall fill the vacancy.
- Q.—All proposals to amend our By-Laws must pass readings at two Annual Conferences by a two-third vote by ballot before final adoption.

- R.—Two copies of the completed work of the Committee on Church Government shall be submitted to each pastor by the Secretary of the Committee immediately upon completion.
- S.—Any church may use a nominating committee to make nominations for Church officers when this desire is expressed by a Local Conference resolution. The pastor shall be chairman of this committee.
- T.—The Board of Directors shall receive all Local Conference petitions. The Secretary of the Local Conference shall be responsible to give a copy of the petition(s) to the District Superintendent at the Local Conference where the petition(s) was passed. The Secretary of the Board of Directors shall send two copies to each pastor.
- U.—All needs for support of missionary work not under the jurisdiction of the Board of Church Extension shall be controlled by the Board of Foreign Missions.
- V.—An offering shall be received for the District Superintendents' Parsonages in a Sunday Service by each pastor and forwarded to the Secretary of the Board of Directors no later than April 1. All checks shall be made payable to the Bible Fellowship Church.
- W.—The traveling expenses for all official church business shall be 8ϕ a mile.
- X.—The Committee on Publication and Printing shall handle the funds relating to the publication of our Church Paper.
- Y.—The Mizpah Grove Cafeteria shall be under the management of the Board of Directors.
- Z.—The Board of Directors shall arrange for sale of literature, etc. at the Book Cottage during the camp meetings.



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Annual Conference Proceedings 1960

The Seventy-seventh Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convened in Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church, 1121-25 North Main Street, Bethlehem, Pa.

The Conference opened at 1:00 p.m., Monday, October 10, with the singing of "The Church's One Foundation." W. F. Heffner led in prayer.

The Chairman of the Annual Conference, F. B. Hertzog, spoke on "The Spiritual Condition of the Church" as revealed in Revelation, chapters two and three

A Prayer and Praise Period followed during which we invoked the blessing of God upon the deliberations of the Conference that we might do His bidding in all things. The brethren witnessed to personal victories, physically and spiritually, as they followed the Captain of our Salvation.

The Secretary, N. H. Wolf, appointed the following assistants: Assistant Secretary, Ernest B. Hartman; Recording Secretary, Robert W. Smock.

The following were enrolled as members of the Conference:

Ministers

Ordained—Russell T. Allen, Paul E. Baer, E. W. Bean, Carl C. Cassel, Willard E. Cassel, John Dunn, Walter H. Frank, R. H. Gehman, T. D. Gehret, John E. Golla, Ernest B. Hartman, Jansen E. Hartman, W. W. Hartman, William A. Heffner, W. F. Heffner, LeRoy S. Heller, Frank L. Herb, Jr., F. B. Hertzog, Earl M. Hosler, W. B. Hottel, C. E. Kirkwood, Donald T. Kirkwood, Richard H. Kline, James G. Koch, R. C. Reichenbach, John H. Riggall, Donald B. Schaeffer, A. L. Seifert, Robert W. Smock, P. T. Stengele, David E. Thomann, N. H. Wolf, J. B. Henry, C. Leslie Miller, H. D. Yarrington, F. M. Hottel, E. E. Kublic, J. B. Layne, E. J. Rutman, A. G. Woodring.

Probationers—James A. Beil, Bert N. Brosius, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., George E. Herb, Robert F. Johnson.

Delegates

Allentown District

Allentown (Bethel), Clarence L. Kauffman, R. Paul Schaeffer Reading, Robert Breitegam Sunbury, William E. Miller York, Edward W. Baker Shamokin, T. LaMarn Manney Hatfield, Daniel K. Ziegler Mount Carmel, Roy E. Williams Royersford, William R. Hunsberger Spring City, R. S. Weidner
Graterford and Harleysville, S. A. Hackman
Nazareth and Catasauqua, A. W. Deppe
Lehighton, Edwin P. Yerger
Walnutport, Burton Deppe
Lebanon, Charles W. Weaber
Lancaster, Horace A. Kauffman
Stroudsburg, George R. Fish

Bethlehem District

Bethlehem, A. Franklin Campbell Philadelphia (Salem), Byron C. Cassel Quakertown, George W. Krigor Emmaus, Paul I. Wentz, Sr. Easton, Allen F. LaRose Fleetwood, Clayton E. Weber Coopersburg, Harold A. Mann Wallingford, Rufus Spedden Allentown (Salem), Allan Palmer Scranton, Carl H. Kellerman Terre Hill, Robert W. Gehret Philadelphia (Calvary), Henry B. Wilkinson Philadelphia (Emmanuel), Edward J. Dietzman Blandon, John I. Mengel Staten Island, N. Y., Elmer Rauscher Zionsville, John L. Shelly

Resolved, That we accept the excuses of the absent delegates and when they arrive they shall be seated in the Conference Bar.

REPORT OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

MONDAY: 1:00 p.m. Opening Address by the Chairman of the Annual

Conference—F. B. Hertzog, D. S.

Prayer and Praise Period (limited to 30 minutes)

TUESDAY: 9:00 a.m. Devotions in charge of T. D. Gehret.

7:30 p.m. Inspirational Service in charge of W. W. Hartman,

Host Pastor.

SPEAKER: C. E. Kirkwood, D. S.

WEDNESDAY: 9:00 a.m. Devotions in charge of Jansen E. Hartman.

THURSDAY: 9:00 a.m. Devotions in charge of P. T. Stengele.

FRIDAY: 9:00 a.m. Communion Meditation by C. E. Kirkwood.

Washing of the Saints' Feet.
Observance of the Lord's Supper.

(The Committee recommends the morning devotional periods be limited to 30 minutes, including singing, prayer and a brief meditation.)

W. W. Hartman, Willard E. Cassel, Walter H. Frank, Committee on Program.

Reselved, That the first seven pews throughout the Church shall constitute the Conference Bar.

The Committee appointed in the Annual Conference of 1959 presented a proposed agenda for this Annual Conference.

COMMITTEES

Committee on Communications: David E. Thomann, Richard H. Kline, Frank L. Herb, Jr.

Committee on Finance: Paul I. Wentz, Byron C. Cassel, S. A. Hackman, Roy E. Williams.

Committee on Examination of Local Conference Records: E. W. Bean, W. B. Hottel, Russell T. Allen, Donald B. Schaeffer, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Richard H. Kline, James A. Beil, Robert F. Johnson, Bert N. Brosius, George E. Herb, T. Lamarn Manney, David F. Gardner, Edwin P. Yerger, Burton Deppe, Charles W. Weaber, Henry B. Wilkinson, Allen F. LaRose, Carl H. Kellerman, Edward W. Baker, George R. Fish, John I. Mengel, John L. Shelly, A. W. Deppe, Allan C. Palmer, Elmer Rauscher.

Committee on Traveling Elders: C. E. Kirkwood, F. B. Hertzog, W. B. Hottel.

Committee on Statistics: Willard E. Cassel, John E. Golla, Jansen E. Hartman, Donald T. Kirkwood, LeRoy S. Heller, John Dunn.

Committee on Examination of Applicants for Annual Conference License: P. T. Stengele, William A. Heffner, W. W. Hartman, W. B. Hottel, John H. Riggall.

Committee en Examination of Candidates for Ordination: C. E. Kirkwood, Jansen E. Hartman, David E. Thomann, R. C. Reichenbach, A. L. Seifert.

Committee on Resolutions: John H. Riggall, A. L. Seifert, Carl C. Cassel, Earl M. Hosler.

Committee on Auditing: T. D. Gehret, Daniel K. Ziegler, James G. Koch, R. Spedden, R. S. Weidner, Clayton E. Weber, Robert W. Gehret, Clarence L. Kauffman, R. Paul Schaeffer, Edward J. Dietzman, Harold A. Mann, Robert Breitegam, William R. Hunsberger, George W. Krigor, Horace A. Kauffman, William E. Miller, A. Franklin Campbell.

Committee on Examination of Annual Conference Records: Frank L. Herb, Jr., Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.

The Chair appointed a Timekeeper and Reporter.

Reporter: R. C. Reichenbach; Timekeeper: James A. Beil.

Resolved, That no member be permitted to leave the Conference Bar without permission of the Chairman, except W. W. Hartman and A. Franklin Campbell.

The following Church Extension ministers were present during the Conference: Alva C. Cassel, Raymond R. Dotts, Robert J. Entler, Reynold D. Gardner, Elwood L. Heiser, Ronald C. Mahurin, Robert E. McIntyre, Leon K. Overpeck, Richard R. Ruth, G. Howard Van Sandt, Norman R. Weiss, Daniel G. Ziegler.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet tonight at 6:30 to 9:00 o'clock.

Adjourned 2:30 p.m. with prayer by John H. Riggall.

Second Meeting

Monday Evening, October 10, 1960

The Second Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m. with singing, "Sweetly Resting," and prayer by J. B. Henry.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The following Reports were read and adopted:

Report of the Bethlehem District Superintendent, C. E. Kirkwood: (See Reports)

Report of the Allentown District Superintendent, F. B. Hertzog: (See Reports)

Report of the Director of Church Extension, William A. Heffner: (See Reports)

Report of the President of Berean Bible School, Jansen E. Hartman: (See Reports)

Report of the Board of Directors: (See Reports)

Report of the Board of Church Extension: (See Reports)

Report of the Board of Education: (See Reports)

Report of the Board of Foreign Missions: (See Reports)

The Board of Foreign Missions recommends J. Barclay Harley and Robert N. Gordon to the Committee to Examine Candidates for Ordination.

Report of the Board of the Home: (See Reports)

Report of the Committee on Finance: (See Reports)

Report of the Committee on Examination of Applicants for Annual Conference License:

We have examined Robert N. Gordon and we are persuaded that he is a man of God who has already served the Lord very commendably on the foreign mission field.

We therefore recommend him for Annual Conference License.

P. T. Stengele, William A. Heffner, W. W. Hartman, W. B. Hottel, John H. Riggall, Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL CONFERENCE RECORDS

We have examined all Local Conference Records and have found them to be correct except for a few omissions and minor errors which were corrected by the Pastors concerned.

The following petitions were found:

Petition #1

Shamokin, Pennsylvania: Resolved, That we petition Annual Conference to clarify the matter of who is permitted to vote in elections of the Youth Fellowship and of the Women's Missionary Society.

Petition #2

Terre Hill, Pennsylvania: Whereas, The Annual Conference has introduced a new system of pulpit supply, therefore, Resolved, That we, the congregation of Berean Bible Fellowship Church, Terre Hill, petition the Annual Conference to reconsider the ruling concerning a nine year limit for Itinerants and remove it.

Petition #3

York, Pennsylvania: Resolved, That we petition Annual Conference to further clarify the duties of the Finance Committee of the Official Board.

E. W. Bean,	George E. Herb,	Edward W. Baker,
W. B. Hottel,	T. Lamarn Manney,	George R. Fish,
Russell T. Allan,	David F. Gardner,	John I. Mengel,
Donald B. Schaeffer,	Edwin P. Yerger,	John L. Shelly,
Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.,	Burton Deppe,	A. W. Deppe,
Richard H. Kline,	Charles W. Weaber,	Allan C. Palmer,
James A. Beil,	Henry B. Wilkinson,	Elmer Rauscher,
Robert F. Johnson,	Allen F. LaRose,	Committee.
Bert N. Brosius,	Carl H. Kellerman,	

Report of the Examiner of Applicants on Discipline: (See Reports)

Resolved, That the candidates who have passed the Examination on the Discipline be referred to the Committee to Examine Applicants for Annual Conference License.

Report of the Committee over the District Superintendents:

We wish to report that to the best of our knowledge and belief, the two District Superintendents have fulfilled their duties well and have served in a Spirit-filled and godly manner.

W. F. Heffner, P. T. Stengele, W. W. Hartman.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to study the petition from the Shamokin congregation and a report be made to this Conference.

The Chairman appointed: R. C. Reichenbach, LeRoy S. Heller, George E. Herb.

Resolved, That the petition of the Terre Hill congregation be denied.

Resolved, That the officers of the Government Committee prepare an interpretative statement in answer to the petition from York, Pennsylvania, to be presented to this Conference at a later date.

Report of the Chairman of the General Camp Meeting Committee: (See Reports)

Adjourned, 9:00 p.m. with prayer by LeRoy S. Heller.

THIRD MEETING

Tuesday Morning, October 11, 1960

The Third Meeting was opened at 9:00 a.m. with singing, "And Can It Be That I Should Gain?" and Earl M. Hosler led in prayer.

T. D. Gehret addressed the Conference on "The Greatness of God in His Person, Possession, Passion, Purpose and Prize," using Titus 2:11 to 14 as the basis of his remarks.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet at 3:00 o'clock. Adjourned 9:40 a.m. with prayer by John Dunn.

FOURTH MEETING

Tuesday Afternoon, October 11, 1960

The Meeting was opened at 3:00 p.m. with the singing of the chorus of "To God Be the Glory" and E. W. Bean led in prayer.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

H. D. Yarrington, of Middletown, Conn., who is engaged in a hospital ministry, briefly addressed the Conference asking for our prayer fellowship.

Walter H. Frank, who has recently been chosen to be Home Director of Greater Europe Mission, headquarters in Chicago, Ill., spoke to us a few words of farewell before leaving for his new assignment. A. L. Seifert led the Conference in prayer to God for the blessing of the Lord on his future ministry.

Resolved, That any exception to standing rules may be allowed by three-fourth $(\frac{3}{4})$ vote of the Annual Conference. The reason for such exception shall be fully spread on the minutes.

The following reports were read and approved:

Report of the Youth Fellowship General Committee: (See Reports)

Report of the Committee on Candidates and Ordination:

Whereas, The Committee has examined George E. Herb, who has served his three year probationary period in the ministry within our Conference and has given evidence that he is called of God to the Christian Ministry:

Therefore, We recommend that he be ordained in the evening service, October 11, 1960.

Whereas, The Committee has examined J. Barclay Harley, who has served as a missionary in Venezuela, South America, under the Orinoco River Mission for the past three years, and Whereas, Brother Harley has served under the surveillance of the Board of Foreign Missions of our church in a manner that indicates that he is called of God to the Christian ministry:

Therefore, We recommend that he be ordained in the evening service, October 11, 1960.

Robert N. Gordon was recommended to this committee by the Board of Foreign Missions for ordination.

The rules concerning probationers (Discipline page 58) Section II, D, page 7, 1959 Yearbook, states, "Probationers that have passed the Reading Course and served their three years' probation and have served as pastor of a congregation for at least one year, shall be examined orally by the Board of Examiners of the Reading Course, and the District Superintendents, as to

their knowledge of the doctrines, rules, forms and general practices and management of the church before being referred to the Committee on Ordination.

Under the provisions of the rule of exception, we recommend that an exception be made in the case of Robert N. Gordon who received Annual Conference License at this Conference, and consequently did not serve the required probationary period subsequent to receiving Annual Conference License as stipulated in the above regulation; and further, that he be ordained in the evening service of October 11, 1960.

The reasons for this action are as follows:

- 1. Robert N. Gordon has served for nine years as a missionary in Venezuela, South America under The Evangelical Alliance Mission. During this period, Brother Gordon has been supported by our church. The Board of Foreign Missions has reviewed his work and recommends him for ordination as a faithful minister of the gospel.
- 2. The type of pastoral and administrative work in which Robert N. Gordon was engaged could be considered in lieu of his spending one year as pastor of a congregation.
- 3. Heretofore, no provision was made for the licensing and the ordination of foreign missionaries. To have Robert N. Gordon comply with the requirements of the above regulation would mean that he could not return to the ministry to which God has called him for another three years.
- 4. To require Brother Gordon to wait until his next furlough to meet the above time requirements would seem to be an injustice and unnecessarily delay his ordination.
- $5. \;\;$ The regulation cited was not designed with the ordination of Foreign Missionaries in view.
- 6. The Committee on Candidates for Ordination has examined Brother Gordon and believe that he is called to the Christian Ministry and recommend him for ordination.

C. E. Kirkwood, A. L. Seifert, Jansen E. Hartman, R. C. Reichenbach, David E. Thomann, Committee.

The above report was adopted by more than three-fourth $(\frac{3}{4})$ vote of the entire body.

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL CANDIDATE COMMITTEE (First Reading)

Report to Annual Conference, 1960

The Ministerial Candidate Committee met six times during the year. The problem of enlisting and choosing men for the ministeries of the Bible Fellowship Church was discussed in the light of the formation of this committee, its objectives and its duties. This committee did not examine any candidates this year.

This committee makes the following recommendations to the Annual Conference:

 The OBJECTIVE of the Ministerial Candidate Committee shall be: To provide the Bible Fellowship Church with a ministry that is called of God, true to the Word, filled with the Holy Spirit, dedicated whole-heartedly to Jesus Christ and thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

- 2. The DUTIES of the Ministerial Candidate Committee shall be as follows:
 - (1) To receive applications from all those who offer themselves for service in the Bible Fellowship Church.
 - (2) To take under care the candidates and probationers while in training.
 - (3) To examine those who offer themselves for service in our Church determining as far as possible the sincerity and genuineness of their call to the ministry.
 - (4) To ascertain as far as possible whether the candidates and probationers have the Scriptural qualifications of a minister of the Word of God.
 - (5) To safeguard the doctrinal purity of the Church by exercising vigilance when examining prospective ministers concerning their beliefs and practices endeavoring to approve only those who are committed without reservation to the authority of the Scriptures and the doctrines and practices of our Church as the system of doctrine taught in Scripture.
 - (6) To license probationers for the Annual Conference prior to ordination.
 - (7) To recommend qualified probationers to the Credentials Committee for ordination examination.
- 3. The TERMS used to designate the classification of those under the care of this committee shall be applicant, candidate and probationer. An applicant is a man who offers himself to this committee for service in the Bible Fellowship Church. A candidate is a man whose application is accepted and who remains under the guidance of this committee. A probationer is a man who has been approved by this committee, has passed an examination on the Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church, and is working under the jurisdiction of the Church Extension or Foreign Mission Board.
- 4. The PROCEDURE to be followed by an individual offering himself for service in the Bible Fellowship Church shall be as follows:
 - (1) The applicant would make known to the Chairman of the Ministerial Candidate Committee his desire to serve in the Bible Fellowship Church.
 - (2) The applicant will fill out and file with the committee an application received from the Chairman, which shall include the following: personal information; approval of his local conference; letters of recommendation from his pastor, a former employer, and a former instructor.
 - (3) The candidate will carry out a program of personal development and training developed in consultation with this committee.
 - (4) When this committee believes that he is prepared and when the candidate is ready to enter the work of the Bible Fellowship Church; upon approval of this committee, the candidate will be recommended to the Church Extension Board or Foreign Missions Board. Part

- of this approval is passing the Examination on the Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church.
- (5) During the time of work with the Church Extension Board or Foreign Missions Board, the probationer will be under the jurisdiction of this committee; and his work will be under the jurisdiction of the Board with whom he works.
- (6) At the end of the probationary period, upon approval of this committee, the probationer will be recommended to the Credentials Committee and his probationary period will cease. To serve as a candidate and probationer does not guarantee being recommended for ordination examination.

Some of the changes from our present system inherent in these recommendations are outlined below:

- This committee would become the first official point of contact for all applicants for service in the Bible Fellowship Church. At present the Church Extension Board and Foreign Missions Board are that point of contact.
- 2. This committee would inaugurate a program of guidance during the training of men who commit themselves to our care that they may be better prepared to serve. At present there is no similar guidance program in any official sense.
- 3. This committee would approve candidates for work under the Boards of Church Extension and Foreign Missions. At present the Church Extension and Foreign Missions Boards alone approve candidates.
- 4. This committee would be responsible to oversee candidates and probationers in all matters that pertain to the man himself, and it would name those ready for examination for ordination. The Boards of Church Extension and Foreign Missions would administer the work of all candidates and probationers. Evaluation of the work done under these Boards would guide this committee in making its final decision. At present the Church Extension Board and Foreign Missions Board in conjunction with the District Superintendents do this.
- 5. This committee would license for the Annual Conference all candidates and probationers whom it accepts for work under the Boards of Church Extension and Foreign Missions. Among other things this acceptance would require passing an examination on the Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church. At present being listed as a Church Extension Minister or having Annual Conference License is our system.
- 6. Functioning according to this outline, this committee would not conflict with the Credentials Committee being proposed by the Government Committee, but would parallel its work prior to examination for ordination. The Credentials Committee would have oversight of the man from the time of his examination for ordination until he would terminate his service with the Bible Fellowship Church; the Ministerial Candidate Committee would have oversight of men prior to the examination for ordination.

This committee feels that these changes are necessary for the following reasons:

- 1. The Bible Fellowship Church needs a uniform standard for all those who serve in its home and foreign ministeries; therefore there should be one group to guide, examine and approve prospective workers.
- The varied possibilities that a candidate for the work of God faces and the specialized needs of laborers in the Bible Fellowship Church demand some system of supervision or guidance for men while they are in training.
- 3. There is a constantly growing need for young men to have evidence to present regarding their intention to serve in a particular denomination; this committee could furnish such information to draft boards facilitating deferment from military service for worthy young men.
- Another growing need in God's work today is the demand for proper recognition for foreign missionaries. If this committee would examine missionary candidates, it could provide the necessary recognition for them also.
- 5. Adoption of this system would mean that in the majority of cases the men serving under our Church Extension Board would be acquainted with our doctrines and practises by taking the Examination on the Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church prior to serving on any field.

Donald T. Kirkwood, Chairman, Carl C. Cassel, Secretary, Jansen E. Hartman. William A. Heffner, P. T. Stengele, Committee.

Resolved, That we extend the time indefinitely.

Report of Committee on Examination of Traveling Elders:

We have examined all the Pastors through their respective delegates and have found our ministering brethren to be true men of God who are preaching the Word and living consistent Christian lives.

We therefore commend them for future service amongst us.

C. E. Kirkwood, F. B. Hertzog, W. B. Hottel, Committee.

Miss Olive Rawn, our Missionary to the Sudan, Africa, gave a few words of greeting to the Conference and closed the meeting with prayer.

Adjourned, 5:05 p.m.

FIFTH MEETING

Wednesday Morning, October 12, 1960

The meeting was opened with singing, "O Word of God Incarnate." Robert N. Gordon led in prayer.

Jansen E. Hartman used the scripture text, Jer. 7:21-24 as the basis of a devotional address on true obedience to God and His Word in daily living and service.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The following reports were read and adopted:

Report of the Committee on Publication and Printing: (See Reports)

Report of the Board of Trustees of the Laymen's Benevolent Society: (See Reports)

Report of the Conference Treasurer: (See Reports)

Report of the Sunday School Promotion Committee: (See Reports)

Report of the Victory Valley Camp Committee: (See Reports)

Report of the Committee to Examine Annual Conference Records:

We hereby certify that we have examined the Annual Conference Records of the 1959 session, and have found them correct with the exception of the following:

- 1. On page 25, "George C. Herb" should read "George E. Herb."
- 2. On page 37, in the Article "God the Holy Spirit" a period should appear after "God" in line 5.
- 3. On page 39, "and" should appear before "of judgment" in the reference, John 16:8.
- 4. On page 56, the word, "unfilled" should read "unfulfilled" in the Article on the Millennium.
- 5. On page 56, in the reference, Isaiah 11:6-9, the word "cockatrice's" should read "cockatrice'".
- 6. On page 88, the heading "Ministers' Retirement Fund," Annual Conference 1959 should appear with Statement D.

The Committee recommends that:

- 1. On page 3, the words "Director Church Extension" be made to read, "Director of Church Extension".
- 2. The dates under "licensed" be corrected after the names of "Church Extension Ministers".

We hereby submit two copies duly certified.

Frank L. Herb, Chairman, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.

Resolved, That we determine who are the preachers willing to Minister the coming year according to the direction of the Conference and our Discipline.

The following ministering brethren responded "yea" to the roll call: Russell T. Allen, E. W. Bean, Carl C. Cassel, Willard E. Cassel, John Dunn, R. H. Gehman, T. D. Gehret, John E. Golla, Ernest B. Hartman, Jansen E. Hartman, W. W. Hartman, William A. Heffner, W. F. Heffner, LeRoy S. Heller, Frank L. Herb, Jr., George E. Herb, F. B. Hertzog, Earl M. Hosler, W. B. Hottel, C. E. Kirkwood, Donald T. Kirkwood, Richard H. Kline, James G. Koch, R. C. Reichenbach, John H. Riggall, Donald B. Schaeffer, A. L. Seifert, Robert W. Smock, P. T. Stengele, David E. Thomann, N. H. Wolf, E. E. Kublic, A. G. Woodring, James A. Beil, Bert N. Brosius, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Robert F. Johnson.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO REVISE AUDITING PROCEDURES

At Annual Conference 1959 it was recognized that a need existed for a simplified method of auditing Local Conference records in order to reduce the time spent on this phase of the work on the floor at Annual Conference.

With that in mind the Conference elected a Committee to study methods of reducing this time. The Committee proposes the following:

- I. The report of the Official Board to the Fourth Local Conference shall include the following:
 - a. Annual Report of the Membership Committee:
 - 1. Members as of previous report
 - 2. Received into Church Fellowship
 - 3. Received by transfer from Bible Fellowship Churches
 - 4. Total increase
 - 5. Died
 - 6. Withdrawn
 - 7. Dropped
 - 8. Transferred to other churches
 - 9. Transferred to other Bible Fellowship Churches
 - 10. Total decrease
 - 11. Net increase or decrease
 - 12. Total membership
 - b. Annual report of the Benevolence Committee:
 - 1. Balance as of last report
 - 2. Receipts
 - 3. Disbursements
 - 4. New Balance
- II. The following accounts for the local Church year shall be closed as of the Fourth Local Conference:

Trustees

Building Fund Collectors

Ministers' Retirement Fund

Sunday School

Youth Fellowship

Women's Missionary Society

Men's Fellowship

Membership Committee

Benevolence Committee

And any other organizations responsible to the Local Conference.

- III. The Local Conference accounts of the Stewards shall be from quarter to quarter, and the reports on the schedules from October 1 to September 30.
- IV. Offerings for Home Missions and Foreign Missions shall be reported for the Conference year and shall be paid to the Conference Treasurer at Annual Conference.

Report of these offerings will be made only to the Finance Committee of Annual Conference and the latter will furnish information with respect to offerings for missions to the Statistical Committee of Annual Conference.

V. The figures included in the above reports I and II to the Fourth Local Conference are the ones to be reported to Annual Conference.

- VI. The Pastor shall send by Certified Mail copies of the Summary Sheet, the Fourth Local Conference Minutes and the Pastor's Summary Statistical Report (omitting reports of offerings for Home Missions and Foreign Missions) to the Statistical Committee, % Host Church of Annual Conference, by Monday of the week prior to Annual Conference week. These records may be submitted in person by Tuesday of the same week.
- VII. The Delegate and Pastor shall certify the correctness of the Local Conference Minutes, the Local Conference Summary Report Sheet and the Pastor's Summary Statistical Report, prior to the mailing thereof; and shall include a statement of Certification with the reports mailed.

They shall be responsible to ascertain that there is no duplication of receipts because of transfers of funds between accounts of the Church and various organizations.

- VIII. The Statistical Committee shall be appointed by the Chairman at the Adjourned Session of Annual Conference. This Committee shall meet on the Thursday prior to Annual Conference.
 - IX. We recommend that the Committee on Publication and Printing assign form numbers to each of the approved report forms.

Daniel K. Ziegler, Chairman, Byron C. Cassel, Willard E. Cassel. Clarence L. Kauffman, Roy E. Williams, Committee.

Report of the Editor of the Bible Fellowship Supplement of the Gospel Herald:

We have served for another Conference year as editor of the Bible Fellowship Church Supplement of the Gospel Herald. Those who have contributed to our church paper during the year have done well and their support is deeply appreciated.

We also appreciate the assistance of William A. Heffner and Harold P. Shelly, Jr. for submitting copy from Home Missions and the Berean Bible School.

The success of our church paper will be realized only if our pastors give it better support.

David E. Thomann, Editor.

REPORT OF THE CIRCULATION MANAGER OF THE B. F. C. EDITION OF THE GOSPEL HERALD

As we began this Conference year the total number of subscribers to the B. F. C. Edition of the Gospel Herald was 641, well below the almost 800 that once subscribed to our Church paper. Due to the introduction of the Club Plan, we had hoped for a substantial increase. Ten clubs were organized through the year, but this has not been enough to stop the continual loss of subscribers. Fourteen of our Churches have 10 or less subscribers evidencing little interest in our present paper.

At the end of the fiscal year we have only 525 subscribers, a loss of 116 from last year. The seriousness of this should be apparent to all and de-

serves earnest consideration and action upon the part of all of us. May I express my thanks to those of you who have energetically presented the Gospel Herald to your people and have aided me in the task assigned to me.

FINANCIAL

Balance in Treasury, October 1, 1959\$ 12.27	
Received for subscriptions 1,546.47	\$1,558.74
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Expenditures:	
To Union Gospel Press\$1,391.01	
To Board of Publication and Printing 60.00	
Refunds and Discounts 29.74	
Expenses of Committee on Publications 48.96	
Secretarial Expenses 13.80	
AMOUNT MANAGEMENT AND	
Total Expenses\$1,543.51	
Balance in Treasury, September 30, 1960 15.23	\$1,558.74

Respectfully submitted, R. C. Reichenbach, Circulation Manager.

Resolved, That we suspend the Rules and adjourn, to meet at the Call of the Chair. Adjourned 11:55 a.m. with prayer by Horace A. Kauffman.

SIXTH MEETING

Wednesday Afternoon, October 12, 1960

The Meeting was opened at 2:30 p.m. with singing "Heavenly Sunshine" and Allen C. Palmer led in prayer.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Additional Report of the Committee on Examination of Applicants for Annual Conference License:

We have examined Elwood L. Heiser, Raymond R. Dotts, Richard R. Ruth, Ronald C. Mahurin, Robert J. Entler, Daniel G. Ziegler, and Norman R. Weiss.

After thoroughly questioning these brethren, we are persuaded that they are called of the Holy Spirit to the ministry of the Gospel.

Whereas, Elwood L. Heiser, an ordained minister in good standing in the Evangelical United Brethren Church has been recommended to this Committee,

Therefore, Be it resolved that Elwood Heiser be accepted as a probationer.

We recommend that all the above mentioned men be granted Annual Conference License.

P. T. Stengele, W. W. Hartman, John H. Riggall, A. L. Seifert, W. B. Hottel, Committee. Report of the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee: (See Reports)

Resolved, That Membership on the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee be limited to those Churches or Circuits and those Missions petitioning for Membership on the Committee under our rules, which received at least \$3,000.00 in Steward offerings during the year.

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Annual Conference appoint a Committee of seven, including the two District Superintendents and five delegates to study the question of financial support of our ministering brethren. This committee shall also study the feasibility of purchasing a group insurance policy covering our Ministers for life insurance, including health and welfare benefits.

He appointed C. E. Kirkwood, F. B. Hertzog, Byron C. Cassel, Clarence L. Kauffman, Robert W. Gehret, Roy E. Williams and Daniel K. Ziegler.

Resolved, That Elwood L. Heiser, Daniel G. Ziegler and G. Howard Van Sandt be admitted to the Conference bar.

 $Resolved, \, \mbox{That all pastors on the coming Sunday fill the pulpits of their new assignments.$

Report of the Committee to Study the Petition of the Shamokin Church:

We would encourage this Annual Conference to adopt a Constitution for the Youth Fellowship defining voting qualifications.

Further, we recommend that the Foreign Mission Board submit to the Adjourned Session of this Annual Conference for adoption, a Constitution for the Women's Missionary Society, and that particular thought be given to voting qualifications.

R. C. Reichenbach,LeRoy S. Heller,George E. Herb,Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO STUDY ARTICLES OF FAITH

(Second Reading)

Article

THE JUDGMENTS

The Scriptures enumerate several judgments which differ as to time, place, subjects and results. All judgment has been committed to the Son by the Father.¹

Through the death of Christ on the cross, the believer's sins have been judged and he has passed from death into life.² In no case do the redeemed come again into judgment concerning their eternal destiny. Each saint, however, will be required to give an account before the judgment seat of Christ regarding his works and conduct.³

The unregenerate will be judged, condemned and banished to eternal damnation in the lake of fire.4

 1 John 5:22— 2 John 5:24— 3 Romans 8:1; II Corinthians 5:10— 4 Revelation 20:11-15,

Article

SALVATION

In the gospel salvation is offered to all men¹ and is received by grace through faith and the instrumentality of the Holy Spirit,² apart from works or human merit.³ Salvation centers in a person, Jesus Christ, and receiving Him⁴ includes the remission of sins on the ground of His shed blood,⁵ the imputation of His perfect righteousness,⁶ the reception of the Holy Spirit⁵ and the impartation of eternal life.8

¹ John 3:16—² John 16:8—³ Ephesians 2:8,9—⁴ John 1:12—⁵ Ephesians 1:7—
⁶ I Corinthians 1:30—⁷ Romans 8:9b—⁸ I John 5:11,12.

Article

THE CHURCH

The Church is the body of which Christ is the Head.¹ All those redeemed by His blood² and born of His Spirit are members of that body and are in mystical union and communion with Christ³ and fellow believers.⁴ The Church is universal and local, visible and invisible. The visible Church consists of all those professing faith in Christ. The invisible Church is composed of all those born of the Spirit.⁵

The purpose of the Church is to edify the saints⁶ and to evangelize the world.⁷

The Head of the Church administers the affairs of His body through overseers chosen by Himself and selected by the people.8

A properly constituted local Church must include the ministry of God's Word, the observance of the ordinances, the oversight by officers, and the exercise of discipline. The overseers of the Church are to be prayed for, obeyed and honored. 11

¹ Colossians 1:18a $^{-2}$ I Peter 1:18,19 $^{-3}$ Romans 6:5,6 $^{-4}$ I Corinthians 1:10 $^{-5}$ I Corinthians 12:13 $^{-6}$ I Corinthians 12:7,11 $^{-7}$ Matthew 28:19,20 $^{-8}$ Ephesians 4:11,12 $^{-9}$ I Peter 5:2,3,5 $^{-10}$ Matthew 18:17 $^{-11}$ Hebrews 13:7,17,24.

Article

SANCTIFICATION

Sanctification is a progressive work of the Holy Spirit in the believer¹ which purifies the life² and conforms the whole man to the image of Christ as the Word of God is believed and obeyed.³ It begins at regeneration⁴ and continues throughout the individual's life⁵ on earth and reaching its completion at the appearance of the Lord Jesus Christ.⁶

¹ II Corinthians 3:18—² I Thessalonians 4:3—³ John 17:17—⁴ I Corinthians 6:11—⁵ Ephesians 4:24,26,27—⁶ I Thessalonians 5:23.

Article

MILLENNIUM

The Millennium is that aspect of the Kingdom of God that will be ushered in when the Lord Jesus Christ returns to the earth to rule in righteousness. The unfilled Messianic prophecies will then be completed. During this period Satan will be bound restricting his deceitful activities. The

created universe will undergo a transformation³ with universal prosperity and peace prevailing on earth.⁴ The saints will reign with Christ⁵ and the earth shall be full of the knowledge and glory of the Lord.⁶

 1 Jeremiah 23:5-8 (See also Isaiah 9:6,7)— 2 Revelation 20:1-3— 3 Isaiah 11:6-9 (See also Romans 8:19-23)— 4 Isaiah 2:4; 35:1,2,7— 5 Revelation 5:10— 6 Isaiah 11:9; 45:22,23.

Article

CIVIL GOVERNMENT

God ordained and instituted civil government¹ for the welfare of society, to promote and to protect the good and to restrain and punish the evil.² It is the duty of Christians to pray³ for those that are in authority, to render due loyalty,⁴ respect and obedience⁵ to them, and to pay taxes and customs demanded of them. Where demands of civil law militate against the supreme and higher law of God, Christians should obey God rather than man.⁶

¹ Daniel 4:17—² Romans 13:1-3—³ I Timothy 2:1,2—⁴ I Peter 2:13,14—⁵ Titus 3:1—⁶ Acts 4:19; 5:29.

Article

MAN

God, by a special instantaneous act, created man in His image¹—holy, righteous and possessing true knowledge²—by forming him out of the dust of the earth and breathing into his nostrils the breath of life and man became a living soul.

Our first parents did not remain in the glorious and happy state of their original creation, but through the subtilty and deception of the devil,³ disobeyed and transgressed the command of God the creator, incurring upon themselves and their posterity the sentence of spiritual and physical death. The guilt and consequences of Adam's sin are imputed to the whole human race so that all men are guilty,⁴ inherently corrupt, totally depraved⁵ and subject to the wrath of God.

 4 Genesis 1:27— 2 Ephesians 4:24; Colossians 3:10 (See also Psalm 8:4-6)— 3 Genesis 3:1-6— 4 Romans 5:12-18— 5 Romans 3:11-18— 6 Ephesians 2:3 (See also Romans 1:18).

Article

SATAN

Satan is a created angelic being who fell from his first estate.¹ He is the god of this age ruling by the permissive will of God.² He exercises authority over the unsaved, tempts the believer to sin and continually accuses the brethren before the throne of God.³

He has been defeated by the finished work of Christ on Calvary. During the millenium he will be confined to the abyss⁴ to be released at the end of this period to lead the armies of evil against God. He will be finally judged and doomed to the lake of fire.⁵

¹ Isaiah 14:12-17; Jude 1:6—² Ephesians 2:2; II Corinthians 4:4—³ I Thessalonians 3:5; Revelation 12:10b—⁴ Revelation 20:2,3—⁵ Revelation 20:10.

Article

RESURRECTION

The bodily resurrection of Christ is the basis for the resurrection of man. At the return of the Lord the bodies of the righteous dead will be raised and the living believers will be caught up together with them to meet the Lord in the air.2 Believers will at the resurrection receive spiritual and immortal bodies like unto Christ's own glorious body.3

The event of the resurrection is divided into two stages, separated by a period of a thousand years and differing both in respect to their subjects and their issues.⁴ The first resurrection includes only the righteous dead.⁵ The second resurrection is universal and occurs at the close of the millennium when all the unregenerate dead are raised to be brought before the great White Throne for judgment.6

¹ John 11:25—² I Thessalonians 4:14-17—³ Philippians 3:20,21; Job 19:25-27— 4 Daniel 12:2—5 Revelation 20:5,6—6 Revelation 20:13.

> C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman, Willard E. Cassel, Secretary, F. B. Hertzog,

T. D. Gehret,

Donald T. Kirkwood, Jansen E. Hartman, A. L. Seifert, Committee.

The report was unanimously adopted.

Resolved. That we proceed with elections.

Board of Directors: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, A. L. Seifert, Jansen E. Hartman, John H. Riggall, Daniel K. Ziegler, Byron C. Cassel and Paul I. Wentz.

General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions: T. D. Gehret.

Board of Foreign Missions: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, T. D. Gehret, Earl M. Hosler, Willard E. Cassel, James R. Cressman, Kermit K. Gehman, Roy E. Williams, Rufus Spedden.

We listened to greetings from our Missionaries: Mrs. Robert Rampy, Charles Mann, J. Barclay Harley and Robert N. Gordon, who have been attending this Conference.

Resolved, That we suspend the Rules and adjourn to meet at 6:30 p.m. Adjourned 4:55 p.m. with prayer by Donald B. Schaeffer.

SEVENTH MEETING

Wednesday Evening, October 12, 1960

The meeting was opened with the use of the hymn, "He Keeps Me Singing." Bert N. Brosius led in prayer.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the previous Meeting read and approved.

Resolved, That we continue with the elections.

Board of Church Extension: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, William A. Heffner, Jansen E. Hartman, A. L. Seifert, Clayton E. Weber and S. A. Hack-

Paul E. Baer gave a brief address, expressing his appreciation of the fellowship of the brethren.

Jansen E. Hartman presented the proposed Berean Bible School Budget for the following year.

REPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

(Second Reading)

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

T.

Business Rules for Annual Conference sessions, see page 5, 1958 Year Book.

II.

Members of Annual Conference (Passed Second Reading, 1959).

III.

Officers of the Annual Conference

Chairman of the Annual Conference

Election—The Chairman of the Annual Conference shall be a District Superintendent elect and shall be elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference at its Adjourned Session.

Duties—1. He shall be the moderator of all sessions of the Annual Conference, directing the sessions according to the Constitution of the Church.

2. (His presiding at the ordination services is held in abeyance until the entire problem of Ministerial Candidates is completed.)

Vice-Chairman of the Annual Conference

Election—The Vice-Chairman of the Annual Conference shall be a District Superintendent elect and shall be elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference at its Adjourned Session.

Duties—1. He shall occupy the Chair and take over the duties of the Chairman whenever the latter is unable to fill the office.

Secretary of the Annual Conference

Election—The Secretary of the Annual Conference shall be elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference at its Adjourned Session, from among the ordained ministers.

Duties—1. The Secretary shall appoint his assistants.

- 2. He shall accurately record the transactions of the Conference, preserve the records carefully and grant excerpts from them whenever required.
- 3. He shall be the Editor and publisher of the Year Book. The official minutes of the Annual Conference shall be published therein.
- 4. He shall send Year books to our Foreign Missionaries, to the Eastern and Western Clergy Bureaus and to any other agencies deemed advisable.

IV.—DENOMINATIONAL OFFICERS

President

Election—The President shall be elected annually by and from the members of the Board of Directors.

Duties—1. He shall be moderator of all the meetings of the Board of Directors.

2. He shall be responsible to oversee the transaction of all matters delegated to the Board.

Vice-President

Election—The Vice-President shall be elected annually by and from the members of the Board of Directors.

Duties—1. He shall be moderator of all meetings of the Board of Directors when the President is unable to be present. He shall serve in the capacity of the President in the event the President is unable to fill his office.

Treasurer

Election—The Treasurer shall be elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference. In the event of a vacancy occurring in the office, the Board of Directors shall appoint a treasurer to fill the unexpired term.

Duties—1. He shall receive and deposit in the bank(s) selected by the Board of Directors, all monies under the control of the Bible Fellowship Church.

- 2. He shall countersign all checks.
- 3. He shall present a written report to the Annual Conference.

District Superintendent(s)

Election—1. District Superintendent(s) shall be elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference at its Adjourned Session, from among the active ordained ministers.

- 2. The tenure of office shall begin after the incumbent has submitted his report to the next annual Conference. The District Superintendent elect shall deal with the matters relative to pulpit supply.
- 3. In the event of a vacancy in the office of District Superintendent, the Board of Directors shall determine which of the Vice-District Superintendents shall fill the vacancy.
- 4. No District Superintendent shall be reelected after having served five (5) years unless he receives two-thirds of the votes of the Annual Conference. After having served as District Superintendent, and leaving the office, he shall be ineligible for election to this office for a period of three years.
- 5. No man shall serve as District Superintendent for longer than nine (9) consecutive years.

Duties—1. (Frequency of visits (possibly 4 including 2 local conferences) and the support was considered and retained for further study.)

- 2. He shall review the duties of the officers accountable to the Local Conference and emphasize the duties of members toward their pastor once each year on each charge.
- 3. He shall meet with the Official Board at least once each year to review the progress of the work.
- 4. He is accountable to the Annual Conference for the performance of his official duties and shall submit annually a written report of his district.
- 5. He shall help the churches and pastors with ideas and methods for promoting the spreading of the Gospel.
- 6. By virtue of his office, he shall be a member of the following: Board of Directors, Board of Foreign Missions, Board of Church Extension, Board of

Education, Committee of Victory Valley, Board of the Home, and Sunday School Promotion Committee.

Vice-District Superintendent(s)

Election—Vice-District Superintendent(s) shall be elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference at its Adjourned Session from among the active ordained ministers.

Duties—He shall fill the unexpired term of the District Superintendent should a vacancy occur in the office.

Church Extension Director

Election—1. A Church Extension Director shall be elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference at its Adjourned Session from among the active ordained ministers.

2. No man shall serve in the office of Church Extension Director for more than nine (9) consecutive years.

Duties—1. He shall be the administrative officer of the Board of Church Extension and shall execute the policies formulated by the Board.

- 2. He shall be responsible for the dispensing of funds allotted to him by the Board of Church Extension.
- 3. He shall exercise supervision of the men laboring under the Board of Church Extension.
- 4. He shall be responsible to promote the program of Church Extension in the Churches throughout the denomination.
- 5. He shall promote an aggressive program of evangelism and church extension.
- 6. He shall be responsible to the Board of Church Extension and shall submit a quarterly written report to the Board.
- 7. He shall under all circumstances function in cooperation with the District Superintendents, and in all matters of importance act only by the approval of the Board of Church Extension.
- 8. He shall submit a written report to the Annual Conference summarizing the activities of the Church Extension Department,

V.

Standing Boards and Committees

Board of Directors

Election—The Board of Directors shall be elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference. It shall consist of the District Superintendents, four ordained ministers and three laymen.

Board of Foreign Missions

Election—The Board of Foreign Missions shall be elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference. It shall consist of the District Superintendents, General Secretary, two ordained ministers and four laymen.

Board of Church Extension

Election—The Board of Church Extension shall be elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference. It shall consist of the District Superintendents, Church Extension Director, two ordained ministers and two laymen.

Duties—1. The Board of Church Extension shall have the authority to establish and aid in the organization of new congregations.

- 2. The purchase of real estate or erection of buildings for Church Extension purposes shall be approved by the Board of Church Extension. This action shall be referred to the Board of Directors for final approval and consummation of legal transactions.
- 3. It shall seek to encourage and stimulate Church Extension activities by the local churches.
 - 4. It shall have charge of the distribution of all money received.
- 5. It shall have the authority to assign Church Extension ministers to churches under its jurisdiction or to other fields of service.
- 6. It shall require the churches under its jurisdiction to adhere to the Constitution of the Bible Fellowship Church.
- 7. It shall recommend applicants to the Committee on Annual Conference License.
- 8. It shall select the man or men from the Church Extension Department necessary to complete the Pastoral Supply Availability List.
- 9. It shall make recommendations to Annual Conference as to the advisability of admitting Church Extension Churches into the Annual Conference.
- 10. The Board shall make a written report of its activities to Annual Conference.

David E. Thomann, Chairman,
Willard E. Cassel, Secretary,
William A. Heffner,
R. C. Reichenbach,
A. L. Seifert,

John H. Riggall, J. E. Golla, Rufus Spedden, A. L. Wentz, James R. Cressman, Committee.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the term "Special Laws and Resolutions" found in front of the Year Book be changed to read "By-Laws."

Resolved, That we elect a Vice District Superintendent to fill the unexpired term of Walter H. Frank.

A. L. Seifert was elected.

Trustees of the Home for Two Years: E. W. Bean, David E. Thomann, Paul I. Wentz, Harold A. Mann.

Committee to Examine Candidates for the Ministry: Donald T. Kirkwood, William A. Heffner, P. T. Stengele, Jansen E. Hartman, Carl C. Cassel.

Resolved, That we print 1200 Year Books to be sold at \$1.00 per copy. Checks shall be made payable and forwarded to N. H. Wolf, Secretary and further,

Resolved, That the offering and Sunday School assessment for Publication and Printing be discontinued; that for Publication and Printing, each church be assessed on the basis of 40 cents per church member as reported at the Annual Conference; that this assessment be divided equally between Church and Sunday School treasuries; and that this assessment be remitted at the Adjourned Session of Annual Conference.

Resolved, That we print 2,000 copies of "Our Continuing Task."

Committee over District Superintendents: P. T. Stengele, W. W. Hartman, and Frank L. Herb, Jr.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and extend the time indefinitely.

Board of Education for Three Years: Jansen E. Hartman, A. L. Wentz and Horace A. Kauffman.

Laymen's Benevolent Society: Arthur W. Deppe, President; Allen S. Weiss, Secretary; A. L. Wentz, Treasurer.

Resolved, That all contributions received for Laymen's Benevolent Society shall be paid by check or money order made payable to A. L. Wentz, Treasurer and forwarded to Allen S. Weiss, 1906 Hilltop Terrace, Bethlehem, Pa.

Adjourned 9:05 p.m. with prayer by Carl C. Cassel.

EIGHTH MEETING

Thursday Morning, October 13, 1960

The Meeting was opened with singing, "Thy Word Have I Hid In My Heart" and Ernest B. Hartman led in prayer.

A devotional message was brought by P. T. Stengele concerning our "Striving Together for the Faith of the Gospel" according to Phil. 1:27.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The elections were continued:

F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood.

Youth Fellowship General Committee: Carl C. Cassel, Daniel G. Ziegler, Russell T. Allen, LeRoy S. Heller, Warren Zuck, Harold Shelly, Jr., Clyde W. Snyder, and Donal Seigfried.

Sunday School Promotion Committee for Three Years: James G. Koch, R. Glenn Rohrbach and Harlan Wolf.

Victory Valley Camp Committee: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, Carl C. Cassel, David E. Thomann, Kermit K. Gehman, Clayton E. Weber, S. A. Hackman.

Conference Treasurer: Paul I. Wentz, Sr.

Whereas, We have elected some men to our Boards and Committees who are not members of the Annual Conference; therefore,

Resolved, That the Conference Secretary inform by mail, all such men of their election.

Adjourned with prayer by Robert W. Smock.

NINTH MEETING

Thursday Afternoon, October 13, 1960

The Meeting was opened with the singing of "God is Love, O How Great." Daniel G. Ziegler led in prayer.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

Resolved, That we excuse William E. Miller after this evening's session.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and extend the time.

Resolved, That a Committee of Seven Ministers including the two District Superintendents be elected to prepare a statement as to our belief concerning the scriptural teaching of the Washing of the Saints' Feet and that this Report be presented at the 1961 Annual Conference.

Reselved, That the Committee to Study Articles of Faith be requested to study the doctrines related to the Tribulation and report on this subject at the 1961 Annual Conference.

Resolved, That we adjourn to meet this evening at 6:30 p.m.

Adjourned 5:10 p.m. with prayer by George R. Fish.

TENTH MEETING

Thursday Evening, October 13, 1960

The Meeting was opened with singing, "Heavenly Sunshine" and prayer by R. Paul Schaeffer.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The following Report was read and adopted:

Summary Report of the Committee on Statistics: (See Reports)

Resolved, That Charles Weaber and John I. Mengel be excused.

Resolved, That we elect a Committee of seven to study articles relative to Moral Standards of the Church.

The following were elected: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, Frank L. Herb, Russell T. Allen, Ernest B. Hartman, William Hunsberger and Daniel K. Ziegler.

Resolved, That we elect a Committee of seven Pastors to study Forms of the Church.

The following were elected:

James A. Beil, R. H. Gehman, Robert W. Smock, W. W. Hartman, Donald B. Schaeffer, Earl M. Hosler and John Dunn.

E. E. Kublic, who is attending his 60th Annual Conference, gave a stirring testimony of the goodness of the Lord and His keeping power.

Resolved, That we elect a committee of seven Ministers, including the two District Superintendents to Study Articles of Faith, including the doctrines of the Washing of the Saints' feet and the relationship of the Rapture to The Tribulation.

The following were elected: F. B. Hertzog, C. E. Kirkwood, Donald T. Kirkwood, Jansen E. Hartman, Daniel G. Ziegler, P. T. Stengele, Robert W. Smock.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

1. Whereas, the Bible Fellowship Church has had in the year just closed leadership in Christlikeness and administration in the persons of her District Superintendents F. B. Hertzog and C. E. Kirkwood; therefore,

Resolved, that we praise God for them and promise to support them in prayer and co-operation in the coming year.

2. Whereas, under the leadership of Jansen E. Hartman, Berean Bible School has made in its first decade significant progress as an educational institution and a contribution to the leadership of the Bible Fellowship Church; therefore,

Resolved, that we thank God for the gifts of leadership given to him and pledge him our support.

3. Whereas, God has demonstrated His faithfulness in enabling each of our Pastors to teach His Holy Word during the past year; therefore,

Resolved, that we cast ourselves upon Him again for the direction and the strength to walk worthy of our calling.

4. Whereas, William A. Heffner, Church Extension Director, has given himself unsparingly to the work of the Church and the interest of young men in our conference; therefore,

Resolved, that we give thanks to God and pray God's blessing and protection upon him.

5. Whereas, God's people in the membership of the Bible Fellowship Church have obeyed Him through another year in giving themselves for His work in our Churches; therefore,

Resolved, that we thank our Lord for these members of His body with whom we are united and pray His abundant blessing upon them.

6. Whereas, Pastor W. W. Hartman and the congregation of Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church, Bethlehem, have provided fine meals and lodging for the 77th Annual Conference; therefore,

Resolved, that we thank them for their generous provision and further

Resolved, that the Secretary of the Annual Conference send Pastor Hartman a copy of this resolution to be read to the congregation.

7. Whereas, the Gehman Bible House, Easton, Pa. has served our churches and Sunday Schools with literature and supplies that are sound in doctrine; therefore,

Resolved, that we recognize the Gehman Bible House as the official agency for supplies for the Bible Fellowship Church.

8. Whereas, N. H. Wolf has served as Editor of the Year Book, Paul I. Wentz as Treasurer of the Annual Conference and T. D. Gehret as General Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board; therefore,

Resolved, that we give the Editor of the Year Book fifty (50.00) dollars and that seventy-five (75.00) dollars be given to the Conference Treasurer and Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions. The first two to be paid by the Committee on Publication and Printing and the last by the Board of Foreign Missions.

9. Whereas, David E. Thomann and R. C. Reichenbach have served acceptably in the offices of Editor and Circulation Manager of the Bible Fellowship Church Edition of the Gospel Herald; therefore,

Resolved, that a gift of one hundred (100.00) dollars be given to the Editor and a gift of twenty-five (25.00) dollars be given to the Circulation Manager. These gifts to be given by the Committee on Publication and Printing.

10. Whereas, The Union Gospel Press has manifested their interest in the Bible Fellowship Church by printing the Bible Fellowship Church Edition of the Gospel Herald; therefore,

Resolved, that we thank them for this service and pray God's blessing upon them, and further,

Resolved, that the Secretary of Annual Conference send them a copy of this resolution.

11. Whereas, W. W. Heffner, after faithfully serving in the ministry of our Church for 44 years, 10 months and three days, has requested to be placed on the retirement list due to physical reasons; therefore,

Resolved, That we thank God for the faithful ministry of Brother Heffner and pledge our prayers on his behalf.

John H. Riggall, Carl C. Cassel,
A. L. Seifert, Earl M. Hosler,
Committee.

Report of the Committee on Auditing:

We have examined the reports and accounts of the following:

District Superintendents' Reports, Director of Church Extension, Conference Treasurer, Board of Directors, Board of Education, Board of Church Extension, Board of Foreign Missions, Berean Bible School, Sunday School Promotion Committee, Committee on Finance, Committee on Statistics, Local Conference Records, First and Second Division Camp Meeting, Camp Meeting Cafeteria Account, General Camp Meeting Committee, Ministers' Retirement Fund, Laymen's Benevolent Society, Beneficiary Fund, Victory Valley Camp, Youth Fellowship General Committee and Gospel Herald Subscriptions.

Some discrepancies were found and adjusted. We find the listed accounts to be in a satisfactory condition.

T. D. Gehret,
Clayton E. Weber,
Horace A. Kauffman,
R. S. Weidner,
William E. Miller,
William R. Hunsberger,
Clarence L. Kauffman,
Robert W. Gehret,
R. Paul Schaeffer,

Harold A. Mann,
Edw. J. Dietzman,
Robert Breitegam,
Rufus Spedden,
James G. Koch,
George W. Krigor,
A. Franklin Campbell,
Daniel K. Ziegler,
Committee.

Definitive Statement Relative to the Petition from York Church:

- 1. By the word "church" we mean all the departments of the Local Conference.
- 2. This Committee would serve in an advisory capacity, since all Official Board Committees are required to report to the Official Board relative to their activities. (See Supplemental Standing Rules, p. 2 Official Board).
- 3. If a budget for the Local Church is desired, this committee would prepare a suggested budget for approval by the Official Board. Final vote would be by vote of the Local Conference.

A. L. Seifert, Willard E. Cassel, Committee.

Adjourned 8:55 p.m. with prayer by the Chairman.

ELEVENTH MEETING

Friday Morning, October 14, 1960

The Meeting was opened with singing, "Arise, My Soul, Arise" and T. D. Gehret led in prayer.

C. E. Kirkwood gave a Communion Meditation from Hebrews 9:13,14 on the Purity of the Cross, bringing Pardon and total Cleansing of Conscience.

The Washing of the Saints' Feet and the Lord's Supper were observed with reverence and humility.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The following report was adopted:

Report of the Committee on Communications:

We, the Committee on Communications, report that we have received word from the following:

Superannuated Ministers:

J. B. Layne

F. M. Hottel

Minister on Leave of Absence:

Paul E. Baer

Missionaries:

Leona and Nina Buck Austin and Ruth Shelly Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Snyder

Ordained Minister Working Under Other Organizations:

C. Leslie Miller

- J. B. Layne has written and states that he regrets that he is unable to be present due to physical reasons.
- F. M. Hottel conveyed his communication through District Superintendent F. B. Hertzog. He reflected that this is the first Annual Conference he missed in 54 years.
- Paul E. Baer has written and indicates he is unable to be present because of his work.

Leonard and Nina Buck have communicated and report the Lord's blessing in their work in spite of some governmental limitations.

The Shellys have sent their greeting from Venezuela.

Both Brother and Sister Snyder have sent written messages telling of their Christian activity and joy in the Lord.

Rev. C. Leslie Miller states that he was planning to be with us but because of unexpected developments he had to change these plans.

Each one have wished the Conference the blessing of God.

Resolved, that we continue to hold J. B. Layne, F. M. Hottel and Paul E. Baer before the Lord that His grace may be sufficient for their every need.

Resolved, that we continue to intercede for and support these missionaries as they labor in the field of God's choice.

Resolved, that we pray God's richest blessing upon our brother Miller as he labors in the ministry of Christian Literature.

David E. Thomann, Richard H. Kline, Frank L. Herb, Jr., Committee

Resolved, that we suspend the rules and extend the time indefinitely. Adjourned 12:03 p.m. with prayer by David Gardner.

TWELFTH MEETING

Friday Afternoon, October 14, 1960

The Meeting was opened with the singing, "Where His Footprints Go I Will Follow" and Edwin P. Yerger led in prayer.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The following report was adopted:

REPORT OF THE PUBLICATION COMMITTEE

The Adjourned Session of the 76th Annual Conference adopted the following resolution: "That the Chairman of the Annual Conference appoint a committee of five to study the possibilities and problems involved in our denomination producing its own publications. This committee shall report at the Annual Conference, October, 1960." We humbly and sincerely offer for your study and prayerful consideration the following facts, conclusions and recommendations. We pray that God may give wisdom to decide the course that we shall follow in this matter.

The Committee met on several occasions and was unanimous in submitting this report.

The Objectives For A Denominational Publication

Believing that it is not enough just to state that we want our own Church Paper or to proceed along a certain path just because we have not done anything else in years gone by, we endeavored to consider the objective and basic need of having a denominational paper. The following objectives were delineated by the members of the Committee:

- That news of our denomination's activities could be presented to all
 of our constituency.
- 2. That specific articles promoting our denominational program could be put before the members and friends of our church.
- 3. That our people might be informed and instructed of our doctrinal position.
- That our members and those who worship with us might be strengthened spiritually.
- 5. That we might have an organ for disseminating information that is produced solely by and for the Bible Fellowship Church.

Reasons Why The Present Set-Up Does Not Achieve The Above Objectives

The Committee endeavored critically to survey the present set-up of publications sponsored or supported by the Bible Fellowship Church: the B.F.C. Edition of the Gospel Herald, the Spotlight and the Sunday School News. The following problems that are presented deal with the official publication of the denomination, namely, the B.F.C. Edition of the Gospel Herald.

- 1. There is a considerable delay in getting news of our Church activities into print and to our people by means of the Gospel Herald. The minimum time for getting anything printed is five weeks, but generally it is much longer.
- 2. There are many subscribers who claim that they read only the insert and that the price is too costly for just the four pages that the Church publishes.
- 3. There has been a continual and serious drop in number of subscribers, portraying the lack of interest that exists in our churches.
- 4. Many of our pastors are not responding in submitting material for publication. There is a feeling that lack of interest in the Gospel Herald has caused some to give little support in this area. The Committee realizes that this could also be true of a strictly denominational paper, but with a publication that receives the approval of our pastors, this situation would be corrected.
- The Committee has found that we do not truly edit the B.F.C. insert in the Gospel Herald. Material submitted by our Editor has been edited, and some even refused for publication by Union Gospel Press.

The Committee also feels that three separate publications are not the answer to our denominational need, but a single organ will promote all phases of our program. Three separate publications are more costly, demand more time, reach only certain segments of our people, do not provide the unity that should exist in the Church.

Ways To Solve The Problem

Believing that the Committee should investigate the possibility of the Church producing its own paper, three areas of investigation were considered. First: purchasing equipment and producing the paper ourselves. Secondly: contracting with a printing firm to produce the paper for us. Thirdly: operating on a basis of mutual production, work to be set up by our own men and only the printing to be done by a printing firm. The Committee decided that only two plans were feasible. We submit both plans.

Plan A

Plan A would involve a contract with the Dorney Printing Co. of East Texas, Pa. This company is set up to produce the entire paper for us with the least effort upon the part of our men. They have devised a simplified method to aid the editor in preparing his material, and such aids are provided without cost. Upon submission of copy the paper would be printed by them within five working days; thus, news of our church could be very quickly brought before our people. The cost of the printing is as follows: \$64 for an 8 page paper and \$182 for a 20 page paper. This would be in lots of 1000 copies. Each photograph would cost an additional \$1.00. We submit the following esimated cost of producing monthly our own 8 page paper of 1000 copies; size of paper and type will be the same as this report.

Printing\$ Mailing\$	25.00
Circulation Manager's expenses	75.00
Additional cost of pictures	60.00
Working Capital for Editor	100.00
Honorariums:	
Editor	100.00
Circulation Manager	25.00
Total \$	1.153.00

The Committee believes that an annual subscription price of \$1.25 per subscription could make the publication self-supporting. As this paper would have its own Youth Department, Foreign and Church Extension Departments, Sunday School Department, we would suggest that contributions be made by these and other branches of our Church in order to make the subscription price of \$1.25 per subscription possible.

The Committee would further point out that the above estimation is based on a monthly publication and that there would be some additional expense to begin such a publication. For example a mailing permit would cost us an initial fee of \$25.00, subscription blanks would have to be printed and an addressograph machine purchased.

Plan B

Plan B would involve purchasing our own equipment and producing a Church paper completely apart from outside aid, except for the photographic process needed to make the offset plates. The Committee met with the representatives of the Addressograph-Multigraph Co. and observed a demonstration of the machines available for our use. Two models were shown and operated, Model #750 and Model #80. Model #750 would be the only practical model for our use if this plan would be adopted. The cost would be as follows: \$1,595.00 for a new machine. A reconditioned machine would cost \$1,050.00.

To operate such a plan and produce a paper, more than the cost of the machine must be taken into account. The cost of plates, paper, ink must all be noted. Further, available manpower must be considered. On the positive side, other denominational reports and brochures could be printed.

Committee Recommendations

The Committee submits the following recommendations:

- 1. That the Bible Fellowship Church publish its own Church paper.
- That we adopt PLAN A as specified in this report.
- That the Annual Conference elect a Committee on Church Publication to direct and manage the Church paper. This Committee shall be elected annually and be composed of three pastors and two laymen; the Editor and Circulation Manager shall be members by virtue of their office.

Carl C. Cassel, Chairman, R. C. Reichenbach, Secretary, James R. Cressman, David E. Thomann,

John Dunn, Committee. Resolved, That the Bible Fellowship Church publish its own church paper and, further,

Resolved, That we adopt Plan A as specified in the Publication Committee report and, further,

Resolved, That the Annual Conference elect a Committee on Church Publication to direct and manage the Church paper. This committee shall be elected annually and be composed of three Pastors and two Laymen; the Editor and Circulation Manager shall be Members by virtue of their office.

Resolved, That the Publication Committee be authorized to establish a subscription rate for our Church paper not to exceed \$1.50, further,

Reselved, That each church be encouraged to secure at least one subscription for every four members of every local church.

Resolved, That the Publication Committee draw up and present to the Adjourned Session of Conference a statement of the prerogatives and duties of the Editor of our paper.

The following were elected:

Editor of Church Paper: David E. Thomann.

Circulation Manager of Church Paper: R. C. Reichenbach.

Committee on Publication: David E. Thomann, R. C. Reichenbach, Robert W. Smock, James R. Cressman, Robert W. Gehret.

Resolved, That we elect a Committee of seven Ministers and three laymen outside of the Board of Directors, to study and formulate proposals for the revision of our Church Government. All work of this Committee is to be approved through the Board of Directors before being presented to the next Annual Conference.

The following were elected: Willard E. Cassel, George E. Herb, William A. Heffner, Donald T. Kirkwood, James G. Koch, R. C. Reichenbach, Carl C. Cassel, A. L. Wentz, Rufus Spedden and Harold Mann.

Resolved, That the Sunday School of every Bible Fellowship Church receive an offering for Victory Valley Camp before March 1, 1961. This offering is to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Board of Directors.

Resolved, That the facilities of Victory Valley be available for limited use by groups from Bible Fellowship Churches. Arrangements for such use of the facilities should be made through the Chairman of the Victory Valley Committee and an offering for this use sent to the Secretary of the Board of Directors.

Resolved, That the dates for the camps in 1961 shall be as follows:

July 8-15—Girls 8-12 years old

15-22—Girls 8-12 years old

22-29—Junior high boys and girls

29-Aug. 5-Junior high boys and girls

Aug. 5-12—Senior high boys and girls

12-19-Boys 8-12 years old

19-26-Boys 8-12 years old

Resolved, That all the Sunday Schools receive and submit their Annual offering to the Sunday School Promotion Committee before April 1, 1961, further,

Resolved, That we hold a denominational Sunday School Convention on Saturday, May 20, 1961 in the Faith Bible Fellowship Church, York, Pa.

Resolved, That the Thirteenth Annual Youth Retreat be held at Victory Valley Camp on September 1, 2, and 3, 1961.

Resolved, That the Committee on Publication and Printing assign form numbers to each of the approved report forms.

Resolved, That October 31, 1960 be set aside as a day when the ministering brethren will be called together to discuss the future of our Camp Meetings, and further,

Resolved, That the Meeting be held at Shamokin at 12:00 noon.

Resolved, That the following recommendations be adopted:

- 1. Proclamation of a day as Berean Bible School Day in the Sunday Schools and Churches at which time offerings shall be received for the purpose of promoting interest and support of the school. Checks for these contributions shall be sent and made payable to the Berean Bible School, 1020 South Hall Street, Allentown, Pa.
- 2. A special offering shall be received at the annual Youth Rallies at each Camp Meeting.
- 3. The laymen on the Board of Education shall constitute a Committee to work with all our churches to promote the advantages of training at Berean Bible School and to formulate a plan to raise \$27,500.00 needed to carry on the Berean Bible School program in the 1960-61 year. The District Superintendents shall be advisory members of the committee.

REPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE-1960

(Second Reading)

The Second Reading of the material passed at the Annual Conference, 1959 will be read from the Year Book, 1959, pp. 45-49.

(First Reading)

We recommend the formation of a Credentials Committee as a substitute for the following:

- a. Committee to Examine Traveling Elders.
- b. Committee to Examine Candidates for Ordination.
- c. Committee to Examine District Superintendents, Local Preachers, Evangelists and Missionaries.
- d. Committee Over the District Superintendents. (Please note that the present Committee Over the District Superintendents is composed of three members—this would be the three members of the Credentials Committee exclusive of the District Superintendents.)
- e. Yeas and Navs Roll Call.

This Committee shall be a standing committee that shall function throughout the year. (The Committee for Examination of Candidates for the Ministry would have jurisdiction over the Candidate until he is ready for ordination. The Credentials Committee would have the jurisdiction over all men who are ordained by the Bible Fellowship Church.)

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Election—The Credentials Committee shall be composed of the District Superintendents and three ordained ministers elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference.

Duties-

- 1. The Credentials Committee shall examine all candidates for ordination. This examination shall take place at least one month prior to Annual Conference.
- 2. It shall recommend candidates for ordination to the Annual Conference. It shall recommend the place and time for the ordination service.
- 3. It shall have the oversight of all men who hold credentials with the Annual Conference.
- 4. It shall receive annually a report from the District Superintendents relative to the pastors on their Districts.
- 5. It shall annually send to all ministers a Faith and Order Questionnaire containing the following:

Faith and Order Questionnaire

- a. Are you willing to subscribe to the Articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church? Yes or No
- b. If you are unwilling to subscribe to the Articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church, state specifically your reason(s).
- c. Will you endeavor to follow the Rules of Order of the Bible Fellowship Church? Yes or No
- d. Are you willing to serve a church(es) as stationed by the Annual Conference through Pulpit Supply? Yes or No
- e. This questionnaire is to be signed and returned to the Credentials Committee by September 1.

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- 6. It shall compile the Availability List for Pulpit Supply on the basis of the District Superintendents' Reports and the Faith and Order Questionnaire.
- 7. It shall deal with charges brought against any minister or cases for suspension presented by the District Superintendents.
 - a. It shall request the accused individual to be present during the hearing of the case.
 - b. It shall have the power to suspend. Any individual suspended shall have the right of appeal to the Annual Conference.
- 8. It shall receive charges brought against any minister which are presented in writing and properly signed by the party or parties bringing the charges.
 - 9. It shall submit a report to the Annual Conference.

The above material was approved Thursday, September 15, 1960 by the Board of Directors for presentation to the Annual Conference, 1960.

A. L. Seifert, Chairman,
Willard E. Cassel, Secretary,
John H. Riggall,
R. C. Reichenbach,
William A. Heffner,
Carl C. Cassel
A. L. Wentz,
David E. The

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A. L. Wentz,
Harold A. Mann,
David E. Thomann,
Rufus Spedden,
Government Committee.

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint a Committee on Publication and Printing.

He appointed: John H. Riggall, John Dunn and Willard E. Cassel.

Resolved, That we excuse S. A. Hackman and Arthur W. Deppe.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules to meet tonight at 6:00 o'clock.

Adjourned with prayer by Elmer Rauscher.

THIRTEENTH MEETING

Friday Evening, October 14, 1960

The Meeting was opened with the singing of "Draw Me Nearer" and T. Lamarn Manney led in prayer.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

Resolved, That the Committee on Government supply copies of the Supplemental By-Laws (Supplemental Standing Rules) to the pastors for use by Delegates and Official Boards. The quantities required shall be submitted by each pastor to the Secretary of the Committee on Government who shall be reimbursed for the cost of the quantities ordered; this cost to be approximately 35ϕ per copy.

Resolved, That the Board of the Home furnish a brochure containing publicity concerning facilities and care available at our new Home at Nazareth, Pa., including a statement regarding entrance requirements.

The following Reports were read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO STUDY ARTICLES OF FAITH

(First Reading)

Article

FREE AGENCY

In his original creation man was endowed with freedom to will¹ and to do good or evil. But by the fall of Adam man forfeited his freedom of the will.

Man has not lost his free moral agency in that he retains the freedom to act in accordance with his fallen sinful nature.²

Apart from God's infinite grace man cannot will or do anything necessary to his salvation.³ God causes man to will and to do His will.⁴

¹ Ephesians 2:1-3—² Romans 3:10-12—³ Romans 9:16—⁴ James 1:18.

Article

THE ETERNAL STATE

There are two final eternal destinies for man, heaven for the righteous and penitent, and hell for the unrighteous and impenitent. At the great white throne judgment, all the enemies of God will be consigned to the place of eternal conscious punishment from which there is no escape. The new heavens and the new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness shall be created as the final state in which the righteous shall dwell forever in the presence of God. 4

¹ Matthew 25:46—² Revelation 20:11-15—³ II Peter 3:10-13—⁴ Revelation 21:3.

Article

ORDINANCES

BAPTISM—Water baptism,¹ the immersion of the believer is a visible testimony to the work of regeneration,² and a mark of identification and union with Christ.³ It has no saving or cleansing power, but is the answer of a good conscience before God, hence, should only be administered to those who have, by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, realized the forgiveness of sins and have the assurance of acceptance with God.

¹ Acts 8:36—² Acts 2:41—³ Matthew 28:19,20; Romans 6:3,4; Colossians 2:11,12.

THE LORD'S SUPPER—The Lord's Supper is an ordinance of the New Testament,¹ wherein, by giving and receiving bread and wine according to the appointment of Jesus Christ, His death is proclaimed.² They that worthily partake feed upon Him to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace,³ have their union and communion with Him confirmed, testify and renew their thankfulness and commitment to God⁴ and their mutual love and fellowship each with the other as members of the same mystical body.⁵

The Scriptures direct that each one examine himself and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup "until He come."

¹ Luke 22:19,20—² I Corinthians 11:26—³ John 6:55,56—⁴ I Corinthians 10:21—⁵ I Corinthians 10:17—⁶ I Corinthians 11:26.

Article

DIVINE HEALING

It is the believer's privilege to seek the will of the Lord in matters of physical healing. This healing whether by natural, medical or supernatural means must come from the Omnipotent God who created the human body. The believer may implore the Lord for physical restoration according to the Scriptures, and if the healing is for the highest glory of God, His miraculous power will be displayed.

¹ James 5:14-16—² John 11:4.

Article

ELECTION

Election is a free act of the sovereign God in which from eternity,¹ and for reasons known only to Himself² and apart from any goodness in man³ He graciously chose from among the fallen mankind a people unto salva-

tion,³ that they might be conformed to Christ's image.⁴ Those so chosen He redeemed⁵ by His Son and seals by His Spirit.⁶

 1 Ephesians 1:4,11— 2 Matthew 11:27 (ASV)— 3 II Timothy 1:9— 4 Ephesians 4:13— 5 II Thessalonians 2:13— 6 Ephesians 1:13.

Article

PERSEVERANCE OF THE SAINTS

Salvation is the work of God from its commencement to its consummation.¹ Those regenerated by the Word of God through the work of the Holy Spirit become partakers of the divine nature.² They are preserved by the power of God³ so that they shall never totally or finally fall away,⁴ but shall persevere unto the end.⁵

¹ Romans 8:29,30—² II Peter 1:4—³ Philippians 1:6; I Peter 1:5—⁴ John 10:27-29; I Corinthians 1:8; I John 2:19—⁵ II Thessalonians 3:3,4.

Article

THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

The Second Coming of Jesus Christ is the personal, visible, bodily return of our Lord to this earth¹ to conform believers to His image and to establish the millennial kingdom. In connection with Christ's return there will be the resurrection of the righteous dead,² the rapture of the saints,³ the salvation of Israel⁴ and the inauguration of the millennial reign.⁵ Following the millennium there will be the resurrection and judgment of the unrighteous. The righteous will be eternally glorified with Him, the unrighteous will be eternally punished.

It is the believer's source of encouragement and comfort, inspiring him to active service for Christ, and is a motive for purification and holy living.⁶ John 14:2,3; Acts 1:11—² I John 3:2; I Corinthians 15:51,52—³ I Thessalonians 4:13-18—⁴ Romans 11:25b,26a—⁵ Revelation 20:6—⁶ I John 3:3.

WE RECOMMEND:

- 1. The election of a Committee of seven to study articles relative to MORAL STANDARDS OF THE CHURCH to include subjects such as: Marriage-Divorce, Lord's Day, Secret Societies, etc. The articles so designated to be included and comprise a portion of the completed "Faith and Order" of our denomination.
- 2. The election of a Committee of seven to study FORMS OF THE CHURCH such as Weddings, Funerals, Baptism, Dedication of Children, Ordination of Elders, etc.

PLEASE NOTE—The Articles of Faith will be printed in the Minutes of the Annual Conference with only the scripture references being given, not being written out as in this report. This is being done to save cost of printing.

C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman,Willard E. Cassel, Secretary,F. B. Hertzog,T. D. Gehret,

Donald T. Kirkwood, Jansen E. Hartman, A. L. Seifert, Committee.

Special Report of the Committee on Publication:

We recommend that:

- 1. The Chairman of this Annual Conference communicate to the Union Gospel Press our decision to terminate the insert for the Bible Fellowship Church edition with the January 15, 1961 issue, and further that he express to them our appreciation for their kind consideration of us during the past years.
- 2. We begin our publication on or about February 1, 1961 and that the first issue be distributed free. February be designated as "Subscription Month."
- 3. The Committee be granted the privilege of studying the matter relative to the name of our church publication and further shall decide on a name after consultation with the District Superintendents.
- 4. The Board of Publication and Printing assist this committee with a loan of \$300 for working capital.

Robert W. Smock, Chairman,
Robert W. Gehret, Secretary,
R. C. Reichenbach,
David E. Thomann,
James R. Cressman,
Committee.

Resolved, That the adjourned session of Annual Conference be held Saturday, April 8, 1961 at 9:00 a.m. in Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church, Bethlehem, Pa.

Resolved, That the next Annual Conference convene in the Bethel Bible Fellowship Church, Allentown, Pa., Monday, October 9, 1961 at 9:00 a.m.

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint a committee of three on Program. He appointed A. L. Seifert, Earl M. Hosler, D. E. Thomann.

Resolved, That we have a Ministerial Convention to be held Monday and Tuesday, May 1-2, 1961 at Victory Valley.

Officers for the Ministerial Convention: John E. Golla, Chairman; John Dunn, Secretary.

Committee on Program: Russell T. Allen, John E. Golla, John Dunn, Earl M. Hosler, P. T. Stengele, C. E. Kirkwood, F. B. Hertzog.

Resolved, That all mid-season offerings be paid at the Adjourned Session of Annual Conference.

Resolved, That the chair appoint a Committee of two to compile a report of the Conference for the Gospel Herald Supplement. He appointed: John Dunn and Carl C. Cassel.

Resolved, That we receive a contribution of $50 \, \phi$ a member for the Moving Fund.

Resolved, That we hold two Camp Meetings in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., the first to be held by the Bethlehem District, July 1 to July 9, 1961 and the second to be held by the Allentown District, July 15 to 23, 1961.

Report of the Committee to Organize the Bethlehem District Camp Meeting:

The Churches of the Bethlehem District and the Missions located at Trenton, N. J., Finesville, N. J., Roxborough, Miller Heights and Macungie

shall comprise this Camp Meeting to be held in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., July 1 to July 9, 1961.

Officers: T. D. Gehret, Chairman; D. E. Thomann, Secretary; Donald T. Kirkwood, Treasurer.

C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman, Robert F. Johnson, Secretary.

Report of the Committee to Organize the Allentown District Camp Meeting:

The Churches of the Allentown District and the Missions located at Millersville, Paradise, Binghamton, N. Y., Denville and Jersey City, N. J. shall comprise this Camp Meeting to be held in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., July 15 to 23, 1961.

Officers: A. L. Seifert, Chairman; N. H. Wolf, Secretary; P. T. Stengele, Treasurer.

F. B. Hertzog, Chairman, Bert N. Brosius, Secretary.

The various Boards reported their organization as follows:

Board of Foreign Missions: C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman; T. D. Gehret, General Secretary.

Board of Directors: F. B. Hertzog, President; C. E. Kirkwood, Vice President; Paul I. Wentz, Sr., Treasurer; Jansen E. Hartman, Secretary.

Board of Church Extension: C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman; A. L. Seifert, Secretary.

Board of the Home: T. D. Gehret, Chairman; E. W. Bean, Secretary; David E. Thomann, Assistant Secretary; Paul I. Wentz, Treasurer.

Board of Publication and Printing: John H. Riggall, Chairman; John Dunn, Secretary.

Victory Valley Camp Committee: Carl C. Cassel, Chairman; David E. Thomann, Secretary; S. A. Hackman, Treasurer.

Sunday School Promotion Committee: Rev. James G. Koch, Chairman; Norman L. Reed, Assistant Chairman; Harlan Wolf, Secretary; James R. Cressman, Financial Secretary.

Youth Fellowship General Committee: Carl C. Cassel, Chairman; LeRoy S. Heller, Secretary; Warren Zuck, Treasurer.

Ministerial Candidate Committee: Donald T. Kirkwood, Chairman; Carl C. Cassel, Secretary.

Committee Over the District Superintendents: W. W. Hartman, Chairman; Frank L. Herb, Jr., Secretary.

Publication Committee: Robert W. Smock, Chairman; Robert W. Gehret, Secretary; James R. Cressman, Treasurer.

Committee on Church Forms: John Dunn, Chairman; Earl M. Hosler, Secretary.

Beneficiary Society: N. H. Wolf, President; R. C. Reichenbach, Secretary; John H. Riggall, Treasurer.

Committee on Articles of Faith: C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman; Daniel G. Ziegler, Secretary.

Resolved, That one (\$1.00) dollar registration fee per tent accompany each order, not refundable and be turned over by the Registrar to each respective Camp Meeting Committee.

Resolved, That the rental of tents shall be eight (\$8.00) dollars each per Camp Meeting in addition to the registration fee to be paid to the Pastors before the Camp Meeting. The Pastors shall pay rents to the Officers of the respective Committee no later than Tuesday of Camp involved, together with a list of names and number of tents.

Resolved, That all tent orders be properly filled in and signed by the person placing the order and be sent to Donald B. Schaeffer, Registrar, no later than June 1.

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint an Agenda Committee of three.

Robert W. Smock, Recording Secretary,

He appointed: John E. Golla, Willard E. Cassel and John Dunn.

Adjourned 8:25 p.m. with prayer by C. E. Kirkwood.

Signed,

F. B. Hertzog, District Superintendent, Chairman, C. E. Kirkwood, District Superintendent, Vice Chairman, N. H. Wolf, Secretary, Paul I. Wentz, Sr., Treasurer, William A. Heffner, Director of Church Extension, Ernest B. Hartman, Assistant Secretary,

Russell T. Allen, Paul E. Baer. E. W. Bean, Carl C. Cassel, Willard E. Cassel, John Dunn, R. H. Gehman, T. D. Gehret, J. E. Golla, Jansen E. Hartman. W. W. Hartman, W. F. Heffner, LeRoy S. Heller, Frank L. Herb, Jr., Earl M. Hosler, W. B. Hottel, Donald T. Kirkwood, Robert Breitegam, Richard H. Kline, James G. Koch, R. C. Reichenbach, John H. Riggall, Donald B. Schaeffer, A. L. Seifert, P. T. Stengele,

David E. Thomann, J. B. Henry, H. D. Yarrington, E. E. Kublic, E. J. Rutman, A. G. Woodring, James A. Beil. Bert N. Brosius. Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., George E. Herb. Robert F. Johnson, Reynold G. Gardner, Elwood L. Heiser, Daniel G. Ziegler, Clarence L. Kauffman, Allen F. LaRose, R. Paul Schaeffer, William E. Miller, Edward W. Baker, T. LaMarn Manney, Daniel K. Ziegler, David F. Gardner, Edw. J. Dietzman. John I. Mengel,

Roy E. Williams, William R. Hunsberger, R. S. Weidner, S. A. Hackman, A. W. Deppe, Edwin P. Yerger, Burton Deppe, Charles W. Weaber, Horace A. Kauffman, George R. Fish, A. Franklin Campbell, Byron C. Cassel, George W. Krigor, Paul I. Wentz, Sr., Clayton E. Weber, Harold A. Mann, Rufus Spedden, Allen C. Palmer. Carl H. Kellerman, Robert W. Gehret, Henry B. Wilkinson, Elmer Rauscher, John L. Shelly.

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I.— DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Allentown District

God has been very gracious in permitting us to complete seven years of service for Him in this Office. We thank Him for the manifestation of His grace, mercy and power during these years. He has never failed us. This seventh year has been filled with much activity throughout the Church and I trust that the record of the year now closed reflects our best effort to please the Lord and to serve the Church for whom He died.

We thank God for sparing each one of our pastors. My observations of the district indicate that they have been mindful of their responsibilities as Overseers of the Flock of God. They are spiritual men who have been conscientious and untiring in the performance of their duties. While they gave themselves wholly to their God given tasks, God was pleased to bless their ministry. Souls were saved and many of the Lord's people have made real progress in their Christian life.

With regret we report that two of our pastors are leaving their charges at this Annual Conference. Pastor W. F. Heffner, Lebanon, Pa., the oldest active pastor of the Bible Fellowship Church, with forty-five years of faithful ministry to his credit, is retiring from the active ministry for physical reasons. Pastor Walter H. Frank, Allentown, Pa., is resigning from his pastorate at Bethel Church to assume the responsibilities of the General Home Director of the Greater Europe Mission. He has made this a matter of prayer and believes that God is calling him into this ministry. We thank God for the privilege of working with these men and of enjoying their fellowship. We shall pray God to continue His favor upon both of them.

The brethren have continued to use the Radio, Evangelistic Services, Missionary and Bible Conferences, Daily Vacation Bible Schools, Visitation Programs, plus the faithful preaching of the Word in their regular services, to reach and win lost souls for Christ. Much blessing has resulted from the use of these means.

The reports at the Local Conferences indicate a good interest and attendance in Church Services, Sunday School and Prayer Meetings, also a real sacrificial giving on the part of many members.

The Camp Meetings, Children and Youth Camps, Youth Retreat and the Regional Sunday School Workers Institutes were all used of God in bringing help and blessing to many hearts. The Women's Missionary Societies are rendering a worthwhile service to the missionaries by their prayers, gifts and correspondence.

We are pleased to report that both Royersford and Spring City congregations have been doing very well since they were assigned their own pastors. Both of them are self supporting. Royersford built a beautiful new parsonage which was dedicated at a service held Sunday afternoon May 29th. It is greatly appreciated by the pastor and his family. The Spring City congregation is still searching for a suitable site to relocate the Church. In the meantime they are raising funds for the same.

The Church at Shamokin received some needed attention during the last year. A new accoustical tile ceiling, new public address system, and wall to wall carpets were installed, all the pews and pulpit furniture were beautifully refinished and the whole interior was painted. A service of dedication was conducted Sunday afternoon August 7th.

The main auditorium of the Church at York was repainted and new carpeting installed. All these improvements have been paid and the indebt-edness was substantially reduced.

The congregation at Sunbury manifested real vision in purchasing a large lot directly across the street from the Church. The several dwellings that were on the lot have been removed and the lot is used for parking purposes.

We reported last year that the Northampton congregation had purchased the St. John's E. C. Church located at Catasauqua, Pa. During this year the church has been renovated, repainted and on Sunday afternoon April 10th it was dedicated. Two apartments have been made out of the parsonage and at this time both are rented yielding a substantial income. The parsonage and Church located at Northampton have been sold. We believe that this Church has an opportunity to make a new start in a new community. These are some of the major building activities on the district, however, minor changes and improvements have been made in other places also.

We sincerely appreciate the valiant service and sacrificial giving of all the pastors and laymen of our Church. The pastors and their families have treated us royally at all times. It has been a real pleasure to fellowship and work with them. Our association with them has helped us and we trust that our visits, ministry and counsel, have brought some degree of help to them and their congregations.

Finally, brethren, it is quite clear that the going has not always been easy, the progress made not as great as we had desired. There have been too many failures and disappointments but don't lose heart, our God will cause us to triumph. Present day conditions in the world and in the Church demand our attention and challenge us to action. This is no time for discouragement or retreat. Problems may multiply, the going become even more difficult, friends may fail us and enemies oppose us, but the Church must serve this present age and fulfill its calling. We thank God for the victories won during 1959-1960 but let us unitedly pray that our efforts under the direction of the Holy Spirit may be more successful in 1960-1961. It is our strong conviction that it won't be long until Jesus comes to receive His own unto Himself. Let us be true to Him until we shall see Him face to face and be like Him forever.

FINANCIAL

Receipts

Balance from last year		\$
Received from Church	Extension Fund	\$6,660.00

\$6,660.00

Expenditures

(a) Appropriations:

Lebanon\$	720.00	
Lehighton\$	840.00	
Walnutport\$	600.00	
Stroudsburg\$1	,500.00	\$3,660.00

(b) Miscellaneous:

Donations to Churches\$1	1,266.37	
Special to Pastors\$1	1,345.00	
Fares and Meals to Pastors	10.83	
Examination of Candidates for Annual		
Conference License\$	95.00	
Telephone, Stationery, Postage, etc\$	135.00	
Ministerial Convention\$	61.80	
Balance in Treasury 10/9/60\$	86.00	\$3,000.00

\$6,660.00

F. B. Hertzog, District Superintendent

II.—DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Bethlehem District

Each year as we pause and review the work on the District we find it very gratifying. This past year has been no exception and we are again led to marvel as we behold the Grace of God in action. There have been many manifestations of blessing from the Lord. Again and again He has met with the people of God as they have assembled week after week. The Lord has kept the Church true to its mission. The mission of the church is to witness. The church does not exist to entertain the masses. She cannot compete with the world in this field. She does not exist to educate the masses, while she is interested in this field, this is not her vocation. The Church does exist to testify and preach a crucified, risen Christ, an enthroned Christ, a living and saving Christ. I can tell all that this has been the work of the Churches throughout the past twelve months, and shall continue to be their work.

The Body of Believers that comprise the district is a most spiritual and dedicated one. The continued preaching and teaching of the Word of God is bearing fruit and the Lord's people are growing. They are willing to take and assume the responsibility that Scripture teaches they should. There exists a sincere hunger for the Word of God and a great respect for the Servants of God.

The Pastors who serve the Churches on the District are consecrated, dedicated and Spirit filled men. They are Pastors who have the interest and care of their Flocks not only on their minds, but in their hearts as well. These servants of God are separated to the ministry and have no entanglements with worldly alliances. They all live by the Gospel, some at great sacrifice, and their wives and families stand by them and share their joys and sorrows. We count it a privilege indeed to be associated with them.

Much blessing resulted from the Camp Meeting held at Mizpah Grove this year. Several testify to being saved as a result of the Gospel preached there. Many others tell of making decisions that have resulted in spiritual growth in their lives. Many young people from the District registered at Victory Valley and were helped by the Word taught. The Regional Sunday School Conventions, Youth Fellowship Retreat and Women's Missionary Society meetings were used of the Lord.

Soon after last Conference our Zionsville Congregation stepped out by faith and purchased a spacious and comfortable parsonage situated right in Zionsville. This, our oldest Church, is being served by their own pastor who now lives among them. Some of the Churches on the District paid off all existing indebtedness. Others have made substantial progress in reducing their debt. Blandon erected a splendid forty-six foot addition to their Church for Sunday School work and other meetings. The Chester Congregation completed the sale of their properties and are now worshipping in temporary quarters in the center of the city. They have housed their Pastor in the remodeled home in Wallingford and are busy formulating plans for their new building.

We praise the Lord and thank Him for His constant care that guards and watches over us as we travel for Him. All of the Pastors have received us most kindly and been very thoughtful. We express our heart felt gratitude for the prayer offered for us and liberal support given by the various Churches. There are many times when we feel very limited in our ability to help and serve as we should. Our sufficiency is of God.

Before I step forever from this year, I pause to thank thee, Lord, for blessings past.

Thy presence has brought joy for every tear, and grace to overcome sin's stormy blast.

Upon the threshold of a new Conference year I pause, new strength to summon for my task.

Whate'er this next year holds I need not fear, The plan is thine — no more need I ask.

FINANCIAL

Receipts

Balance from last year\$	19.37
Received from Home Missions Treasury 7,5	60.00

\$7,579.37

Expenditures

A—Appropriations:

Zionsville	\$1,500.00
Philadelphia, Emmanuel	1,500.00
Staten Island, New York	960.00
Blandon	600.00

- \$4,560.00

B-Miscellaneous:

Churches	\$1,400.00
Pastors	1,260.00
Conventions and Conference	160.00
Forms, Conference materials	61.30
Fares and meals — Pastors	70.00
Telephone — Postage	45.47
Balance in Treasury	22.60

\$3,019.37 \$7,579.37

III.—REPORT OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION DIRECTOR

Oct. 10, 1960

"Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it." I Thess. 5:24

One year ago the Annual Conference called upon me to assume the responsibilities of this office. Recognizing the tremendous task before me, I could only cast myself anew upon His promises, with the confidence that "He will do it." The many promises of prayer support and the indication of increased concern for the expansion and development of the Bible Fellowship Church program was a source of special encouragement.

At the Annual Conference of last year, the Church Extension Department was in need of five new pastors. This need the Lord marvelously supplied with the following brethren being approved and assigned: Raymond R. Dotts, Robert J. Entler, Ronald C. Mahurin, Richard R. Ruth, and Norman R. Weiss. During the Conference Year the Board approved and accepted into our ministry Brother Elwood L. Heiser. Daniel G. Ziegler has been serving under the jurisdiction of the Church Extension Department for the past 1½ years, as assistant to the Pastor at our Bethel Bible Fellowship Church in Allentown.

A most gracious spirit of cooperation and concern was manifested amongst the Board members at all of the Board meetings of the year. Many, many hours were spent in prayer and discussion relative to each of the areas in which we have testimonies. The Director is most grateful for the provision of a lovely parsonage donated to the Board and for the extensive renovations made by the Board. The Church Extension parsonage is located at 424 Ridge Street in Emmaus, Penna.

All of the Church Extension Pastors have worked diligently during the year and their efforts have been blessed of God. Also, their kindnesses and hospitality shown toward their Director and his family have been deeply appreciated.

The Director made approximately 100 visits to the fields, held promotion meetings in nearly all of our Conference churches, and investigated several areas for possible future testimonies. The protecting hand of God was keenly felt in the nearly 30,000 miles traveled.

BINGHAMTON, N.Y.

The work here continues to show growth and development. Pastor Norman R. Weiss was assigned to shepherd the flock for this Conference Year. His deep concern for the souls of unsaved, and genuine love for the children of God under his care, have been greatly instrumental in seeing this work progress closer to the time when Binghamton will be a regular Conference appointment. A proposed 20-million dollar highway construction program through the heart of the city has been a matter of great concern, due to its possible affect upon our church location.

DENVILLE, N.J.

A real impact for Jesus Christ has been made in this community which is only about 20 miles from New York City. Through the able leadership of Pastor Ronald C. Mahurin who was assigned to this Pastorate last October,

the work has forged steadily ahead in all departments. Several have been won to the Lord, and many new adult faces have been seen during the year.

Plans for their new parsonage-church kit structure have been completed and it is hoped that within a few weeks of this date ground-breaking will take place. The finances are in excellent condition, with the people assuming great responsibilities for the support of their Pastor, and the church balance showing approximately \$1,600.00 in the Building Fund. We are trusting God for great things here.

FINESVILLE, N.J.

Pastor Alva C. Cassel was assigned here last October. The difficulties of this rather old and settled community have been many, but the victories won have been more. The people here are evangelistically minded, with a real desire to see the fellow-townspeople won to Christ. Many families have been contacted through visitation, and some results have been seen in the Sunday School and the successful daily vacation Bible School conducted this summer.

JERSEY CITY, N.J.

This is our only testimony in the metropolitan area of New York City. At our last Annual Conference this work was placed under the jurisdiction of the Church Extension Department. Richard R. Ruth was assigned to Pastor the small flock meeting here. Jersey City boasts a 90% Roman Catholic population and many of the remaining 10% are totally irreligious. However, real progress has been seen with a substantial increase in the attendance of all services, the Sunday School doubling its average. Some believers have taken new stands for the Lord. It seems as though this coming year will be a most crucial one as far as the future of this testimony is concerned. Pastor Ruth has labored hard to solidify the work.

MACUNGIE, PA.

This is one of our older conference churches, having been part of our Emmaus-Macungie-Zionsville circuit for many years. With the other two churches of this circuit receiving their own pastors, Macungie was placed under the supervision of the Church Extension Department last year. Robert J. Entler was assigned as Pastor, and has worked effectively throughout the year. Here again the Sunday School has more than doubled, and some new adult faces have been seen. Many people have been dealt with personally, some responding to the claims of Christ. A Bible club held in the church weekly has been a means of contacting many new families. The need for increased adult support is of paramount importance. Your prayers will be appreciated.

MILLER HEIGHTS, PA.

Pastor Raymond R. Dotts has labored most effectively on this field during the year. Due to schooling, Brother Dotts was limited in the time he could devote to this ministry until February at which time he began "full time" pastoral work. This work is in the process of being solidified, with the evidence that the believers are willing to accept the responsibility that accompanies church development. A great deal of work has been done to the

church building, with the installation of a new lighting system, repainting of the sanctuary, and refinishing of the floors. A baby-grand piano has just been added to the equipment of the church. The future of this work is bright.

MILLERSVILLE, PA.

At the beginning of the conference year God wonderfully answered prayer in providing a parsonage for Pastor Gardner and his family, within the town limits of Millersville. For several years the parsonage was located several miles out of town. This new location of the Pastor has proven to be a real asset to the work, bringing him into more direct contact with the people of the community. The work here is not large, although an increase has been seen over the preceding year. A real evangelistic effort has appealed not only to unsaved, but to some Christian families within the area, who are really concerned about the religious-lost. A radio ministry was launched during the year with effective results. Brother Gardner has been well-received by the believers here and has worked untiringly to see the work progress.

PARADISE, PA.

Robert E. McIntyre was assigned as the sixth Pastor in seven years. In spite of the problems this presents, the work continues to move forward. Because the people here truly have a "mind to work", God has proven His faithfulness to them during another year, which has been a year of stabilization rather than one of great growth. A beautiful, well-constructed parsonage, adjacent to the church, was purchased during the year, made possible by a large personal loan arranged through interested individuals in the area. This was a real forward step of faith which we are sure God will reward. Much work has been done amongst the youth, including a very effective daily vacation Bible school during the summer. With the parsonage property next to the church, it will not be long until modern conveniences will be installed in the church building. We are expecting God to continue to bless the efforts of His church in this area.

ROXBOROUGH, PA.

A small nucleus of believers continue to "hold forth the Word" in Roxborough. They love their Pastor, Brother G. Howard VanSandt, who has labored well amongst them. At a recent Local Conference a time of honest evaluation of the past and present of the work resulted in new evidence of consecration and determination of those present to see this coming year really produce for God. The building in which they worship is not conducive to growth and development, and is a serious factor to consider for the future. A strong Bible Club program is being continued, opening many homes to the Gospel. Roxborough needs and deserves our prayers.

TRENTON, N.J.

In last year's report to Annual Conference it was noticed that many had found the Lord through an Evangelistic Campaign in Trenton. This year it is good to report that a number of these, some having come out of Catholicism, are remaining faithful to Christ and are assuming positions of leadership in the work. Pastor Leon K. Overpeck has been wonderfully used of God to shepherd these people, presenting a strong Bible-teaching ministry

with the result of real spiritual growth amongst the believers. The program in Trenton is diversified, appealing to all age groups. It may be well to state here that Pastor Overpeck has felt the leading of the Lord to offer himself for pioneering and development work of our church, and thus chooses to remain within the department of Church Extension. The people here at Trenton are believing God for great things!

THE FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION DIRECTOR

October 10, 1960

RECEIPTS

Balance, October 1959\$	584.00
Church Extension Board	23,080.00
Frick Moving Company	140.00
Promotion Meetings	40.00
Honorariums	42.50
Literature	48.20
Reimbursement from Board	

\$24,251.36 \$24,251.36

DISBURSEMENTS

Regular Appropriations\$	17,390.00
Special Appropriations	851.97
Fares and Meals	943.95
Director's Travel	355.28
Postage	19.00
Insurance	171.83
Promotion	265.87
Office Supplies	36.83
Literature	114.28
Taxes	139.82
Moving	1,526.29
Furnishings	422.16
Assisting Churches	747.90
Miscellaneous	490.01

\$23,475.19

BALANCE, OCTOBER 10, 1960

\$ 776.17 \$24,251.36

Wm. A. Heffner, Director

IV.—REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF BEREAN BIBLE SCHOOL

This is the tenth and final report of the first decade of Berean's operation. It might be well for us at this point to review our founding purposes as well as to note the marks of progress made during this period.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." Matthew 28:19,20. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into His harvest." Matthew 9:37, 38. These two commands of our Lord Jesus Christ were the commissioning verses for the founding of Berean Bible School in 1950. A training School for Christian workers was started because God burdened many for the harvest still un-reaped. Young people in our church were waiting for the opportunity to begin their training for a life of service. A crash program was instituted to meet the challenge. Facilities were improvised first in Bethel Church and later in the apartment buildings purchased on South Hall Street. During the ten years that followed the foundations were laid for the Berean of the present and the future.

God blessed the ministry of Berean Bible School despite many handicaps. Scores of young people were trained and sent forth to various church and missionary vocations. The staff has increased from three to a resident staff of ten with four serving part-time. The original faculty could boast only three degrees. The present faculty has earned a combined total of 18 degrees. The assets have increased to \$136,448 with only \$29,519 in debt.

FOUNDING PURPOSES RE-AFFIRMED

The purposes for which the School was founded remain the same. The need for dedicated trained leadership has not been satisfied. In fact the need for laborers is greater with emphasis on more thorough training and preparation for life's highest callings. God honored the School as it endeavored to work in harmony with the aims of the great commission. We are confident that the Lord will bless these purposes in the next ten years as He has in the past if He should delay His coming.

The Emerging Berean Image

The emphasis on Christian Education based on Biblical revelation is beginning to emerge as the Berean image. That emphasis is grounded on unreserved faith in the authority of the Word of God in all matters. Neither man's reason, tradition and customs, nor church authority takes precedence over the Word of God. (This has not brought us into conflict with the Bible Fellowship Church for both are in agreement on the authority of the Scriptures.) A true world and life-view can only be known through Biblical Revelation.

Further, it is not our purpose to make each student over according to a conceived fixed pattern. Rather, it is our aim that the Holy Spirit mould each student according to the pattern set forth in Jesus Christ. This will result in a proper Spirit directed individualization. Coupled with this is the objective of planting the prime motive of life that is carried in the School seal "that I may know Him". High and worthy objectives such as these can only be realized through the Holy Spirit illuminating the revelation God has given of Himself in His Word.

Education that is Christian

The teaching ministry in the Church of Jesus Christ is carried out by those qualified by God Himself through the Holy Spirit. One is so qualified only after years of disciplined study and subjection to the Master Teacher. One cannot acquire the Spirit's gift by willful effort alone. It is received as a bestowment of God. However, we recognize the need for a disciplined mind trained in the skills of imparting knowledge, understanding and wisdom.

Consequently a program of faculty development has been in progress. God has sent to us those whom we believe are called to the teaching ministry of the church.

Every effort is being put forth to employ the best means to realize the Christian ideals in education. The means must be compatible with the surpassing excellence of the Scriptures themselves. By the grace of our God these ideals are being realized in a measure.

FINANCIAL STABILITY

Once again during this past year as in recent years we have been able to stay within reasonable limits of our budget. All current bills were paid up to date and payments on the debt liquidation were made on schedule. A larger enrollment, expansion of the program, increased services and rising costs have pushed budget figures upwards. The manner by which the Lord has supplied the needs of the school has been a great encouragement to our faith. We are humbled in the presence of the manifestations of His grace. The Lord has raised up a host of Christians who have stood with us in this ministry. Especially was this true when the needs of the School were made known this past summer in the "500 5's for \$5,000" drive. The goal was reached with some to spare. The latter was God's way of providing for our unforeseen needs.

THE ADDITION OF MUSIC COURSES

For many years we have prayed that the Lord would enable us to establish a Music Department at Berean. The standard we had set was high for we wanted to present music courses in keeping with our accreditation goals. We also knew that the people of our churches love music and wanted the best. The Lord has sent us Miss Esther Becker to launch our new music courses and to direct the choir. She comes to us after having served as the head of the music departments of Indiana Central College and Shelton College and has had twenty-two years of teaching experience. The addition of music courses to the curriculum will add much to the effectiveness of Berean's training program.

ACCREDITATION

The question most frequently asked is "How near are we to full accreditation?" An exact answer cannot be given to that question. However it can be said that Berean is not completely unaccredited for recognition of work taken at Berean has been honored by several schools. We can say that we are working diligently with the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges to meet their requirements. Every effort is being made to follow the standards set for member schools. In many areas our program meets accreditation standards but then there are areas where we need facilities or personnel. The library, for example, needs many more volumes. This requires not only money to buy the books but also time to catalog them and space to provide stacks and study area.

It has been recommended that we hire at least another teacher to share the administrative responsibilities but already we are carrying a heavy financial load for a small school. A larger student body would enable us to carry added personnel. Another suggestion given is to offer a wider diversification of courses and activities in order to attract a larger student body. One wonders which comes first, a larger student body or a larger staff. We shall endeavor to follow a program of development that is educationally respectable, sound financially and above all one that embodies basic Biblical concepts and that is honoring to the Lord.

Student Body

Again this year there has been an increase in the enrollment. Berean seeks to give every opportunity for worthy students to avail themselves of its training while at the same time seeking to maintain high academic standards.

One of the staff members commenting on the present student body said, "We certainly have a lovely group of young people studying at Berean."

Brethren, please pray for us and them.

Jansen E. Hartman

V.—REPORT OF THE STATIONING, BOUNDARY AND APPROPRIATING COMMITTEE

The Committee organized with F. B. Hertzog, Chairman, and C. E. Kirkwood, Secretary.

After a time of prayer for the leading of the Lord, there were many testimonies, praising God for His guidance during the past year and particularly for the way He gave gifts to our churches of earnest, hard-working, God-fearing pastors.

1. Allentown District

F. B. Hertzog, District Superintendent

(a) Stations

Allentown (Bethel)—A. L. Seifert
Reading—P. T. Stengele
Sunbury—N. H. Wolf
Shamokin—R. C. Reichenbach
York—James G. Koch
Mount Carmel—W. B. Hottel
Hatfield—Carl C. Cassel
Harrisburg—Frank L. Herb, Jr.
Lancaster—R. H. Gehman
Royersford—Richard H. Kline
Spring City—Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.

(b) Circuits

Graterford and Harleysville—James A. Beil Nazareth and Catasauqua (Northampton)—John E. Golla

(c) Missions

Lebanon—Daniel G. Ziegler Lehighton—Burt N. Brosius Walnutport —John Dunn Stroudsburg—George E. Herb

(d) Retired Ministers

F. M. Hottel, Allentown, Pa.

E. E. Kublic, Lebanon, Pa.

A. G. Woodring, Reading, Pa.

E. J. Rutman, Harrisburg, Pa.

J. B. Layne, York, Pa.

W. F. Heffner, Harrisburg, Pa.

2. Bethlehem District

C. E. Kirkwood, District Superintendent

(a) Stations

Bethlehem-W. W. Hartman

Emmaus—Earl M. Hosler

Philadelphia (Salem)-Donald T. Kirkwood

Quakertown—David E. Thomann

Fleetwood-T. D. Gehret

Easton-Willard E. Cassel

Wallingford (Chester)—John H. Riggall

Scranton-Robert F. Johnson

Philadelphia (Calvary)—LeRoy S. Heller

Terre Hill-Robert W. Smock

Allentown (Salem)—Donald B. Schaeffer

Coopersburg-Elwood L. Heiser

(b) Missions

Philadelphia (Emmanuel)—Russell T. Allen Staten Island—Reynold D. Gardner Blandon—E. W. Bean Zionsville—E. B. Hartman

(c) Ministers on leave of absence:

Paul E. Baer, Easton, Pa.

Appropriations

1. Allentown District

Per	month
Lebanon\$	60.00
Lehighton	70.00
Walnutport	100.00
Stroudsburg	125.00
To be used at the discretion of the District Superintendent in the	
1960-1961 Conference Year\$	3,150.00

2. Bethlehem District

Per	month
Philadelphia (Emmanuel)\$	115.00
Staten Island	100.00
Blandon	50.00
Zionsville	125.00
To be used at the discretion of the District Superintendent in the	

1960-1961 Conference Year ______\$3,150.00

The balance of the Home Mission offering is to be used at the discretion of the Church Extension Board.

3. Church Extension Department

William A. Heffner, Director

(a) Missions to be supplied:

Binghamton, N. Y. (5 Rutherford Street)
Denville, N. J. (Diamond Spring Road)
Finesville, N. J. (Main Road)
Jersey City, N. J. (45 Lincoln Street)
Macungie, Pa. (108 Walnut Street)
Miller Heights, Bethlehem, Pa. (Alternate Route 22)
Millersville, Pa. (62 West Frederick Street)
Paradise, Pa. (Route 30)
Roxborough—Philadelphia, Pa. (407 Green Lane)
Trenton, N.J. (17 Keswick Avenue, Brae Burn Heights)

We recommend that membership on the Stationing, Boundary and Appropriating Committee be limited to those Churches or Circuits and those Missions petitioning for membership on the Committee under our rules, which received at least \$3,000 in Steward offering during the year.

We recommend that the Chairman of Annual Conference appoint a committee of seven including the two District Superintendents and five delegates to study the question of financial support of our ministering brethren. This committee shall also study the feasibility of purchasing a group insurance policy covering our ministers for life insurance including health and welfare benefits.

F. B. Hertzog
C. E. Kirkwood
Clarence L. Kauffman
Harold A. Mann
Clayton E. Weber
Horace A. Kauffman
Byron C. Cassel
A. W. Deppe
Allen F. LaRose
Robert Breitegam
Henry B. Wilkinson, Jr.
Edward W. Baker
David Gardner
T. Lamarn Manney

William E. Miller
Roy E. Williams
S. A. Hackman
Geo. W. Krigor
Paul I. Wentz, Sr.
Rufus Spedden
Daniel K. Ziegler
Carl H. Kellerman
A. Franklin Campbell
Robert W. Gehret
William R. Hunsberger
R. S. Weidner
Allen C. Palmer,
Committee,

VI.—ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HOME

Forty-five years have passed into history since the Annual Conference authorized the purchasing of a property for aging Christians. A Home was provided for a considerable number of Christian Aged, who otherwise would have had no one to care for them. From this viewpoint, the work has been a real pleasure and source of Christian satisfaction.

Thanksgiving is hereby rendered to God for grace supplied, for devoted friends who prayed, and for consecrated workers who made it possible to carry on this worthy part of God's work.

The Manager, Raymond Ritter, and the Matron, Mrs. Ritter, have efficiently looked after the interest of the Home and comforts of the guests.

The Lord favored us with good growing weather so that the crops were exceptionally good. The herd, consisting of seventy-nine head of Holstein-Friesian cattle at the time of this report, is doing well. The principal item of sale is milk. The sales of this item for the year amounts to \$21,992.06.

Employees on the Farm and Dairy at the present time are Edward Nester, Victor Stauffer and Ronald Stauffer.

On February 9th, 1960, the Board acquired a three-story brick building at 38 South New Street, Nazareth, Pennsylvania, as the site of our NEW HOME. The first floor has a large living room, a den, dining room, kitchen and pantry. The second floor has five bedrooms and three baths. On the third floor there are two bedrooms, a large foyer and a bathroom.

The adjoining lot (100 feet by 62 feet) was also purchased for parking and future expansion.

The NEW HOME was opened for occupancy September 9th, 1960. Clara Messner is the Matron and Mary Beyer is her assistant.

Martha Seifert and Alice Werley were transferred here from Center Valley. The Board also received into the Home at Nazareth, Frances Fabel of the Easton Congregation and Mabel Mummey of the Allentown Congregation.

Many friends attended Open House and the Dedication Ceremony, Saturday, October 1, 1960.

Information regarding entrance as guest to the Home may be secured through your pastor.

INCOME

A. Home Account

Balance in Treasury	\$ 1,435.16
Bethlehem property rent\$ 1,020.00	
Berean Bonds redeemed 1,000.00	
Contributions: (special) 6,080.09	
Mr. Frank Schmidt 1,000.00	
Coopersburg Church 52.80	1
Women's Missionary Societies 290.00	
Dividends 116.52	
Guests 1,137.60	1
Interests 80.00	1
Loan 5,000.00)
Offering (1959 Conference) 1,329.27	
Principal on Mortgage 900.00	١.,
Telephone 1.00) . ,
Transferred from Building Fund 12,398.98	}
Transferred from Savings Fund 18,101.02	}
Social Security 92.00	\$ 48,599.28

5. Farm Account		
Cattle	_\$ 2,413.45	
Corn	_ 294.50	
Dividend	_ 23.05	
Gas	_ 17.20	
Gas Refund	_ 147.10	1101
General Fund	_ 1,000.00	
Hay	24.90	
Hogs	_ 2,839.13	
Labor	92.65	
Milk	_ 21,992.06	
Potatoes	_ 814.90	
Scrap Iron	_ 17.20	
Truck		
Wheat	_ 85.50	29,764.64
TOTAL		\$ 79,799.08
EXPENDITURES		
azareth Property		
Home and adjoining Lot		
Appliances and Furnishings		
Advertising		
Electric		
Fuel Oil	_ 243.38	
Insurance		
Lawn Equipment	219.66	
Miscellaneous	_ 145.20	
Sewerage Service		
Taxes	_ 159.12	
Telephone	27.03	
Traveling Expenses and Moving	_ 355.90	
Water Service	17.76	
Working Capital	125.00	44,669.77
enter Valley Home Account		
Building Repairs	_\$ 182.43	
Building Repairs (Bethlehem Property)		
Coal	240.13	
Electric	184.84	
Fuel (Gas)	_ 146.54	
Furnishings	149.30	
Furnishings Guests		
GuestsMedical	157.50 172.51	
Guests	157.50 172.51 4.00	
Guests Medical Miscellaneous	157.50 172.51 4.00 100.00	
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Wage Tax Water and Sewer Service (Beth		$\frac{3.71}{32.75}$	
			¢ 0.509.59
Transfer to Manager's Account		3,629.70	\$ 8,592.53
Farm Account			
Auto Maintenance	\$	192.46	
Artificial Breeding		125.00	
Building Repairs		1,947.28	
Coal		60.20	
Dairy Supplies		291.34	
Electric		280.58	
Feed		6,860.30	
Fertilizer		1,717.64	
Gasoline and Oil		705.37	
Implements		150.00	
Insurance and Taxes		1,189.14	
Machine Repairs		973.12	
Miscellaneous		16.50	
Oats		494.85	
Plants and Seeds		460.29	
Postage		21.06	
Registration, C.T.A.		72.35	
Social Security		378.92	
Spraying Material		2.00	
Straw		295.33	
Twine		107.80	
Veterinary Services		383.90	
Wages and Help		7,192.46	
Wage Tax		72.33	23,990.22
TOTAL			\$ 77.252.52
	UMMARY		,,
Income	!	Expenses	
Balance in Treasury\$ 1,435	.16 Nazareth Prop	perty	\$44,669.77
Home Account 48,599	.28 Home Accoun	it	8,592.53
Farm Account 29,764	.64 Farm Account	t	23,990.23
	- Sept. 14, 1960-		,
TOTAL\$79,799	.08 in Treasury		2,546.50
	TOTAL		\$79.799.0
IN	VENTORY		
	ember 9, 1960		
(a)	The Home		
Property:			
Bethlehem Property		\$12 000 00	
Center Valley			
Nazareth Home and Lot			\$ 60,555.0
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Miscellaneous:		
Canned Goods	\$ 20.00	
Furniture		
Equipment	,	
Office Equipment	,	
Poultry		
Provisions		\$ 5,159.65
Securities:		
Investments and Savings	3.719.81	
Loan	,	3,819.81
TOTAL		
(b) The Farm		
Properties:		
Farms, including land at Home		\$ 37,000.00
Equipment:		
Bottles, Caps and Crates	\$ 53.50	
Dairy Equipment and Supplies	605.00	
Farm Implements	8,209.00	8,867.50
Livestock:		
Holstein Friesian Cattle	\$23,755.00	
Hogs	947.00	24,702.00
Miscellaneous:		
Accounts Receivable	\$ 1.600.00	
Binder Twine		
Firewood		
Oil and Gasoline	36.50	1,662.50
Produce:		•
Barley	540.00	
Corn		
Ensilage	,	
Feed	108.00	
Hay	3,815.00	
Oats	560.00	
Potatoes	900.00	
Straw	1,155.00	
Wheat	977.50	13,071.50
Working Capital		2,889.77
TOTAL FOR FARM		\$ 88,193,27
TOTAL FOR HOME		69,534.46
GRAND TOTAL		
T. D. Gehret, Chairman, E. W. Bean, Secretary,	Ernest B. H R. H. Gehm	,
D. E. Thomann, Assistant Secy.,	Timothy H.	,
Paul I. Wentz, Treasurer,	Harold Man	
Faul I. Welliz, Heasurer,	Casas Vais	

George Krigor, Earl M. Hosler,

Board of Trustees.

F. B. Hertzog,

C. E. Kirkwood,

VII.—REPORT OF THE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP GENERAL COMMITTEE

Interested in the spiritual growth of our young people, the Committee met eight times during the year prayerfully to write a new Constitution for our Youth Fellowships, and to arrange the Twelfth Annual Youth Retreat. Also by request of the Government Committee, we formulated the duties of the Youth Fellowship General Committee.

This year's Youth Retreat emphasized the thought of leadership, and was called "Leaders Led." It was held at our own Victory Valley Camp on September 2, 3 and 4, 1960. Very helpful and challenging messages were given by Professor Glenn Barker, Professor of New Testament at Gordon Divinity School, Massachusetts. Pastor Daniel Ziegler and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Knauer were in charge of special leadership workshops. The spiritual interest of the 102 young people who attended this weekend was most encouraging.

A word of thanks is given to the Victory Valley Camp Committee for extending to our youth the privilege of using such splendid facilities.

The "Spotlight" continued to be a definite ministry among our young people. We express our appreciation to Pastor Robert W. Smock (editor) for this fine piece of work.

Considerable time and interest was given in discussing the Constitution of our Youth Fellowship. This Committee makes the following recommendations:

- 1. The Adoption of this Constitution.
- The Thirteenth Annual Youth Retreat be held at Victory Valley Camp on September 1, 2 and 3, 1961.

Financial Report

Receipts:		
Balance—October 1, 1959	\$	177.82
Registration Fees for Retreat\$	232.00	
Retreat Fees	493.00	
Offering at Retreat	26.89	751.89
		\$929.71
Expenditures:		
Stationery Supplies\$	1.66	
Program Materials	13.25	
Publicity	52.60	
Wages	170.00	
Food and Supplies	187.44	
Telephone	6.25	
Mileage	6.40	
Transportation and Gift for Beds from Camp Bethel	75.21	
Fee for use of Victory Valley	100.00	
Gift to Victory Valley	150.00	762.81
Balance in Treasury—September 27, 1960		166.90

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP SPOTLIGHT

About 500 copies of the Spotlight were distributed in each of the five issues published this year.

Financial

Balance from last year\$	2.24	
Receipts	238.05	\$240.29
		
Expenses\$	220.23	i.
Balance	20.06	\$240.29

Robert W. Smock.

Carl C. Cassel, Chairman, Leroy S. Heller, Secretary, Warren Zuck, Treasurer, Frank L. Herb, Jr., Harvey Fritz, Jr.,
Donald Seigfried,
Daniel G. Ziegler,
Glenn Sheats,
General Committee.

VIII.—REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

October 1, 1960

The Board of Directors met for its regular quarterly meetings and on several other occasions to carry out assignments. Several transactions were completed by the Board at the request of other Conference Boards.

The Board supervised the maintenance of Mizpah Grove and had the oversight of the cafeteria. The auditorium was painted and additional lumber was purchased for tent floors. New swings were erected to provide recreation facilities for the children.

District Superintendent F. B. Hertzog reported the retirement of the Reverend W. F. Heffner from the active ministry. The Board placed his name on the list of retired ministers. Annuities are to be paid in full as of October 1, 1960.

The following resolution is taken from the minutes of the May 12, 1960 meeting of the Board of Directors:

Resolved, that the Board of Directors propose to the 1960 Annual Conference that October 31, 1960 be set aside as a day when the ministering brethren will be called together to discuss the future of our Camp Meetings, and be it further resolved, that the Mizpah Grove Utilization Committee prepare an agenda for that meeting...

Balance Sheet—October 1, 1960—Compared with October 6, 1959 Statement A

ASSETS

	1960	1959
Cash, Board of Directors General Fund	\$10,144.58	\$ 19,474.78
Cash, District Superintendents' Parsonages (deficit)	(2,248.94)	(2,164.62)
Cash, Dormitory Fund	755.00	755.00
Cash, Moving Fund	148.40	824.65

SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONFE.	RENCE	
Cash, Newark Church Property, Proceeds from sale of	\$ 2,267.81	\$ 1,306.05
Cash, Special Aid Fund	1,152.50	1,152.50
Cash, Truck Fund	420.60	269. 08
Cash, Victory Valley (deficit)	(1,149.80)	(10,126.06)
Notes Receivable, Catasauqua Congregation	3,000.00	
Notes Receivable, Coopersburg Congregation	3,000.00	
Notes Receivable, Paradise Congregation	2,644.80	
Mortgage Receivable, First Newborn Tabernacle,		
Newark, New Jersey	12,025.49	12,987.25
Equipment and Furniture:		
Mizpah Grove	831.06	634.99
Victory Valley	2,748.04	525.73
Real Estate:		
Berean Bible School	116,000.00	116,000.00
District Superintendents' Parsonages:		
Allentown District	18,801.80	18,801.80
Bethlehem District	21,807.86	21,807.86
Parsonage for Home Mission Director	16,000.00	16,000.00
Mizpah Grove	90,984.00	90,984.00
Victory Valley	66,623.91	66,623.91
TOTAL ASSETS	\$365,957.11	\$356,856.92
Liabilities and Net Worth		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable (Social Security and Withholding		ł

Accounts Payable (Social Security and Withholding	1	
Taxes) (Deficit)\$	3.41	\$ 14.24
Berean Bible School Bonds Payable	10,000.00	15,000.00
Notes Payable:		
Foreign Mission Board	38,000.00	38,000.00
Special Contract	5,000.00	5,000.00
Laymen's Benevolent Society*	11,244.87	11,244.87
Ministers' Retirement Fund†	16,000.00	16,000.00
Loan from a Friend	6,682.94	7,782.94
Mortgage Payable Berean Bible School	7,835.79	8,217.06
Reserves:		
To Promote Church Extension Department of the	,	
Bible Fellowship Church 10/4/60	14,293.30	14,293.30
To assist needy Missionaries and Christian		
Workers, October 4, 1960	1,152.50	1,152.50
TOTAL LIABILITIES\$	110,205.99	\$124,704.91
NET WORTH		

Net Worth, October 4, 1960	\$232,152.01		
Net Gain in 1960 transferred from			1
Statement B	23,599.11	255,751.12	232,152.01
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH		\$365,957.11	\$356,856.92

^{*}Indebtedness in Allentown District D. S. Home. †Indebtedness in Bethlehem District D. S. Home.

Statement B

Statement of Income and Expenses—Annual Conference—1960 For Year Ended October 1, 1960 compared with Year Ended October 6, 1959 MIZPAH GROVE

Expenses

Expenses				
Balances remitted by camp meet	tings:	1960		1959
Allentown Division	220.00	1.	i	518.64
Bethlehem Division	525.02			87.33
Cafeteria	1,000.00			522.18
Special Contributions	50.00			68.00
Electric Current Sold	300.00			250.00
Sale of Hymnbooks	63.44			99.00
To cover Printing expense	111.06			
Rents—Lumber and Tent	2,151.00			2,322.00
Sale of Old Tents	36.00			18.00
Truck Fund	200.00			200.00
-		4,656.52		4,085.15
Income				
Electric Current	494.09			107.86
Fares and Meals	258.98			640.84
Gas, Bottled, L.P.	10.23	į	1	81.52
Hymn Books	i			49.50
Insurance, Fire and Liability	299.64			362.76
Lumber	720.00			
Maintenance and Repairs:				
Buildings	1,713.63		Í	950.03
Equipment	326.27		İ	121.25
Grounds	715.17	Ì		117.63
Tents	26.00			234.06
Truck	48.48		İ	67.84
Trees	59.00			567.88
Printing	158.05			
Supplies (Nails, Twine, etc.)	177.65	İ		23.00
Taxes, Water & Sewer Rent	370.04			220.16
Telephone	191.74)	į	210.89
Total Operating Expenses		5,568.97		3,755.22
Loss	_	(\$	912.45)	329.93
DISTRICT SUPERINTEND-				
ENTS' PARSONAGES				
Income				
Contributions from Churches	1,424.78	1,424.78	1	1,623.03
Expenses	-		1	
Allentown District Parsonage:	1	1	1	
Insurance	66.13			
Interest	168.67			506.01

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Maintenance and Repairs	85.70	1		
Taxes, Water & Sewer Rent_ Bethlehem District Parsonage:	527.67			342.87
Interest	480.00			480.00
Maintenance and Repairs	98.60			423.86
Taxes, Water & Sewer Rents_	82.33	1,509.10	(84.32)	88.60
Taxes, Water & Sewer Items		2,000.20	(02101)	
		1		1,841.34
				(218.31)
	1			
Loss Carried Forward			(996.77)	*111.61
*Gain				
VICTORY VALLEY				
Income				
Balance from Operation of				
Camps		1,585.17		519.69
Contributions from Groups		195.00		
Contributions, Special		11,169.07		20,378.14
Contributions from Churches	1,909.37			1,746.13
Other Contributions	835.00			
Total Income		15,693.61		22,643.96
	j	15,055.01		22,010.00
Expenses				08.50
Advertising				27.50
Fuel, Coal, Electricity, LP Gas_	497.07			400.97
Hauling				49.00
Fares and Meals	19.11			201 70
Insurance	449.09			621.79
Interest	480.00			480.00
Maintenance and Repairs:	501.00			640.94
Buildings	581.23			649.84
Equipment	138.05			161.07
Grounds	2,182.22			40.00
Trees	40.00			40.00
Printing	7.05			$61.00 \\ 7.29$
Taxes	7.35			60.97
TelephoneSmall Tools	40.02			19.92
	21.95			19.92
Camp Operation	38.95			
Total Operating Expenses		4,495.04		2,579.25
Gain	į	1,100.01		\$ 20,064.71
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MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS Income				
Berean Bible School Bonds,	1		1	I
Retirement of	5,000.00			8,400.00
Berean Indebtedness, Reduction	5,000.00			0,400.00
of	1,481.27			
Other Contributions	1,701.21			180.00
Anna Commencement =======			i	100.00

Special Contribution—Church Extension Director's Parsonage Interest Moving Fund Moving Fund, Home Missions Total Income	8,000.00 608.79 2,212.00	17,302.06		8,000.00 531.46 2,208.50 2,000.00 21,319.96
Expenses				
Attorney Fees Fares and Meals:	30.70			155.33
Articles of Faith Committee -	65.69			
Board of Directors	36.80			358.56
Ministerial Candidate Comm.	74.88			
Government Committee	239.54			365.04
Gift to Mennonite Central				
Committee				50.00
Insurance, Workmen's Compen-	į.			00.00
sation	388.34			181.75
Moving Expense	2.888.25			4,203.16
Safe Deposit Box Rental	16.50			1,200.10
Stationery, Printing, Postage	43.50			55.48
Office, (Equipment and Help)	120.55			33.10
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Total Operating Expenses _		3,904.75		5,369.32
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Gain			\$ 13,397.31	\$ 15,950.64
Net Gain, Transferred to				
Statement A			\$ 23,599.11	\$ 36,126.97

Statement C

Ministers' Retirement Fund

Balance Sheet-October 1, 1960-Compared with October 6, 1959

	1960	1959
ASSETS	\$	\$
CashStocks and Bonds (cost at date of purchase, see note)	13,445.26 47,867.11	, ,
Notes Receivable and Mortgages:		
Board of Directors	16,000.00	16,000.00
Harleysville	1,300.00	2,200.00
Lancaster	2,950.00	2,950.00
Paradise	6,674.99	7,354.02
Walnutport	645.69	956.95
Catasauqua	5,586.33	
TOTAL ASSETS	94.469.38	\$ 91,745.10

LIABILITIES (None) NET WORTH

Net Worth, October 6, 1960\$,		
Gain in 1960 as shown on Statement D	2,724.28	\$ 94,469.38 \$ 91,745.1	0
		\$ 94,469.38 \$ 91,745.1	0

Note-Investments in this account as follows:

Book Value	Mkt. Value Oct. 1, 1960
200 Shares Pennsylvania Power and Light Co. prefer-	
red with dividend of \$4.50 annually\$ 21,536.81	\$ 19,854.00
6 U. S. Government Series F. Savings Bonds 2,220.00	2,787.00
5 U. S. Treasury Bonds, 23/4%, due 1961 4,902.28	4,762.50
2 U. S. Treasury Bonds, 23/4%, due 1961 19,208.02	19,050.00
\$ 47,867.11	\$ 46,453.50

Statement D

Statement of Income and Expenses for Year Ended October 1, 1960 Compared with Year Ended October 6, 1959

Income		1960		1959	
Contributions from Churches _\$	3,683.72	₿	\$ 3,982.38	\$	
Contributions from Pastors	1,894.46		2,052.56		
Dividends	675.00		900.00		
Interest	1,847.10		1,517.00		
Total Income	j	8,100.28		8,451.94	4
Expenses	į		1		
Retirement Annuities	5,376.00		4,416.00		
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Gain Transferred to Statement C	1	¢9.794.90		e 4.025.0	_ 1
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IX FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Seventy-sixth Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Bible Fellowship Church, for the year ending September 30, 1960

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12

To examine the motives and passion that characterized the Church of the first century, making it supremely missionary, will be helpful to us in our day. The early followers of Christ were urged to witness everywhere concerning the "good news". We too need to go forth, in obedience to our Lord's command, with confidence and courage to witness for Him.

The early Church was sensitive to the Gospel imperative to go into all the world. They took their task seriously. There was no doubt in their minds about the divine mandate, nor could there be any doubt concerning the efficacy of their message. They felt themselves to be under obligation to the whole world. To them the command to go and disciple all nations was no light thing. It burned in their hearts. No danger made them shrink, no threatening stopped them. When challenged to discontinue their preaching, Peter and John answered with these impressive words: "Whether it is right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." Acts 4:19, 20.

To the early Christians, Christ was Christianity; and their message was simply this; Jesus Christ and Him crucified. The change that had taken place in their own lives, and the new power that was theirs, constrained them to take the Gospel message to every one that they could reach. Their message was unique and thrilling, and it had to be shared with the world. They never argued the claims of their message, but they proclaimed it with profound conviction and burning hearts.

The evidence that God was guiding and approving of the missionary endeavor of the early Church is seen in the conversion of Paul; the conversion through Peter of Cornelius; the guiding of Philip to approach the Ethiopian eunuch. Peter afterward said, "Who was I, that I could withstand God?" The men of the Antioch Church where the disciples were first called Christians, were directed by the Holy Spirit to, "Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them."

The disciples were poor and unlearned men for the most part, but they spoke with such boldness that wicked rulers bent on destroying them, were amazed and helpless before them. The power and grace of God was upon Paul on his way to Rome, and in the experience that was his as he stood before the proud and wicked Nero. When his friends had fled, Paul could yet say: "The Lord stood with me, and strengthened me; that by me the preaching might be fully known, and that all the Gentiles might hear; and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion." 2 Timothy 4:17

That was a day when danger and peril lurked in every corner of the world for the followers of the Lord. Yet those brave servants of the Lord did not falter, nor were they stopped by any threat. They were the messengers of God to the souls of men and they realized that God was with them, and that He had put the stamp of His approval on what they did.

This presence and blessing of God is just as evident in our day as it was in the Apostolic age. Crisis days are upon us, and decisions must be made that are hard and difficult. But God is with us to give providential direction. Our cause is not lost, though at times it may be facing the severe attacks of the enemy. The Apostle Paul said at Ephesus: "A great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries." Yet Paul fearlessly stayed on. He yearned to preach the gospel in pagan Rome, and finally had his prayers answered even though he was there as a prisoner in chains.

Within recent months there have been strange happenings on the mission front. The Belgian Congo where missionary labors and witness had borne fruit, in transformed lives and in the forming of churches, had now become an Independent State. With the granting of Independence, followed rioting, pillaging, and mob violence. Missionaries who longed to remain and see the native Christians through this time of crisis, found themselves involved in a hopeless situation. There remained for them only one thing, and that was to obey the orders of the authorities and leave. It was a hard thing to do. The trek back home was undertaken with mixed feelings, and with the vexing questions as to what the future might hold.

We need in this hour to guard against a spirit of frustration and despair. The times demand that we cast ourselves upon the Lord and pour out our hearts in earnest prayer. We need to pray that Missionaries who have been forced to return home, shall not lose heart, but shall find the peace of God ruling and His will made plain. Prayer is needed for the native Church and for its leaders in this hour of desperate trial. God is still on the Throne and His cause will not suffer defeat.

The Women's Missionary Societies of our Churches have continued to do much towards caring for the personal needs of our Missionaries. They are an essential part of our missionary program.

Salem Church Philadelphia was host to the Fourth Annual Conferencewide rally, which was held on May 19, 1960. Speakers at the rally were our own Missionaries, Margaret Maass and Olive Rawn. The church was crowded to capacity for the two meetings of this special day.

The Board of Foreign Missions met in regular sessions during the year to transact business and deal with matters pertaining to the missionary program of our Church. Our missionary family now comprises forty-nine adults and also twenty-five children.

The constituency of Bible Fellowship Church have stood by the missionary program with their prayers and sacrificial giving. There has been an increase in giving for missions from year to year. There are a growing number of our people who have come to realize the joy of being partners in this great work, and give evidence of it by their lives of devotion and also their gifts to sustain the work.

Students of Berean have also had a part in missions by raising funds from among themselves for several specific projects.

Several of our young people are presently preparing themselves for future service on the foreign field as the Lord directs. Three of them are enrolled in the Missionary Internship Course in Detroit, Michigan, which began this Fall.

To God be the glory for all that has been accomplished through the year now passed. "The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad."

BRIEF REPORTS OF MISSIONARY PERSONNEL

BAKER, RUSSELL and HELEN

During the year Russell had the privilege of dedicating the new church at Kola Ndoto. It is made of cement block and has a cement floor. The church has a tower, and the roof is made of red asbestos-cement. It is the best building that the Mission has in Tanganyika. There is also a new lighting plant on the Station, which adds much in meeting an important need of the work.

Important changes have come to the Church, in that they now have complete autonomy to govern themselves without any interference from the Mission body. It is an important milestone, and shows the remarkable progress made on the mission field. It is likely that the Missionary will now need to move on to new territory.

The Bakers are now at home on furlough and have made arrangements to stay at Ventnor, N.J. This is their third furlough, having spent three terms on the field. They arrived in the States on August 31, 1960.

BUCK, LEONARD and NINA

The Bucks have now spent two full years in South Africa. Leonard is now giving full time to the work of the African Christian Literature Advance. This requires the setting up and maintaining of the stock on hand, as well as the despatch department.

Leonard continues his interest in photography, and it will be interesting to note the many fine pictures in the 1960 Berean Year Book (The Searchlight) which appear there, and are the result of Leonard's thoughtfulness of Berean School.

Nina has started teaching a Christian Education course at Johannesburg Bible Institute and is enjoying it. She is kept quite busy with her secretarial work.

CAMPBELL, Dr. WILLIAM

The Campbells first came into fellowship with us during the latter part of 1955. He met our candidate committee on December 10, 1955. Serving under the North Africa Mission, they arrived on the field at the close of the year.

Dr. Campbell is chiefly occupied with the work at the Tulloch Memorial Hospital in Tangier, Morocco. The medical work requires from 6 to 8 hours daily. In addition to the hospital work, there are home visits and the continuing study of Arabic. Holly teaches a Sunday school class and helps to shoulder the burden of the work wherever possible.

The North Africa Mission is at work in Morocco for nearly 80 years, and the medical work has been going on for most of that time.



Dr. and Mrs. William Campbell, Karen, Matthew, Baby Ian

The Campbells expect to be home on their first furlough by either late 1960 or the early part of 1961.

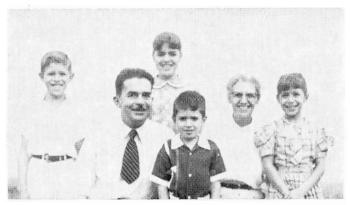
In a recent letter Dr. Campbell relates the following: "By far, the spiritual victory of the year was the Christian funeral of our teacher, Si Abdsalom. It was a real work of the Holy Spirit that provided the opportunity to accomplish what has never been done on this field so far: a public, Christian funeral and burial. The Lord did what Si Abdsalom had often desired but doubted that his family would tolerate, and the Lord was greatly glorified in it.

Several Christians have shown real growth this year. One hospital employee has taken increased responsibility and preaches in the evening to his ward once or twice a week. Another man, a believer for 30 years, is taking more pastoral preaching duty. His wife came to know the Lord 14 months ago and their family constitutes the only actively witnessing family here in Tangier. Two of the women in particular are going on in their faith. One is a student nurse back in training now after a time of illness. The other is an older girl who endures continual persecution in her home from her mother, brother and sisters. These mentioned believers do not keep the Moslem fast and to some extent have not participated in the other yearly feasts having to do with Islam."

CHAPONNIERE, PAUL and THERESA

Upon their return to the Belgian Congo, the Chaponniere family were living in Leopoldville. Paul was working on the staff of ENVOL, and Theresa gave of her time as much as possible to assist in the work there.

During the past year Paul was asked by the French speaking branch of the Scripture Union to take over the responsibility of acting Secretary in Leopoldville and Brazzaville. He was to open a distribution center for their literature work in the French community. Paul was well fitted for this work and eagerly accepted the post, while still continuing to do some work on the staff of ENVOL.



Paul and Theresa Chaponniere with their children

With Independence, troubles mounted in the Congo and it was no longer safe for the women and children of missionaries to remain. Accordingly, Theresa with their four children went to Switzerland where she is at the present time. Paul continues to stay in Brazzaville, but finds it increasingly difficult. Some magazines have been suspended, and there are restrictions placed upon the press. The Chaponniere family need our prayers in these difficult and trying times.

From Switzerland, Theresa writes about the family. Paul had to try to find a small house where he could move their things, and live until the rest of the family could join him. Paulette was to enter a high school in Geneva. If the way would be open for John and Marianne to be with a Christian family, Theresa and Marc would return to the Congo. In the meantime they are living in the high altitude among the fir trees in the mountains. They had the privilege of attending some of the Billy Graham meetings held in Lausanne, Switzerland.

CLAASSEN, MELVIN and MARTHA

The Claassen family were working in the Belgian Congo under the Congo Inland Mission. They had been on the field for nearly two years, having arrived at Kamayala Station on September 26, 1958.

They were ordered to leave the Congo and found temporary refuge at a Methodist Mission in Angola where they waited to see what might happen, and whether it would be possible to return to their Station. However, the government seemed anxious for missionaries to leave and consequently they were taken by U.S. Air Force plane to Germany. There they boarded a chartered plane to New York. Aboard were 97 missionaries including chiláren.

Their future plans for the moment are uncertain, but they hope that it will be possible for them to one day return again to the Congo. For the present they are living in Whitewater, Kansas.

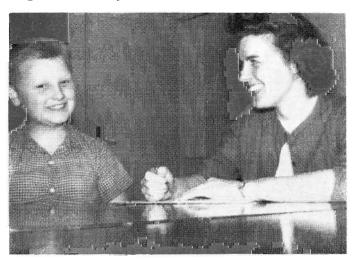
DOVERSPIKE, BETTY MILLER, LOUISE

Working under the Bible Club in Germany, the girls have found a real challenge in their work among the boys and girls. They have now been together in Germany a little over a year. Louise has made good progress in learning the German language.



Louise Miller with a group of German girls who hold a weekly prayer meeting

While their work among the boys and girls is their main occupation, there are also other opportunities, such as hospital visitation, Daily Vacation Bible School and Summer Camps. They also have an opportunity to hold a Bible Club with American boys and girls, and also reach some children in the orphanage that is nearby.



Betty Doverspike with "Hans", a boy won through the Bible Club

Betty had an appendix operation soon after their arrival in Germany a year ago. Louise also had her turn in the hospital, being troubled with retinitis in both eyes. She spent five weeks in the hospital.



American boys and girls holding their Bibles

(Betty Doverspike)

They had been searching for an apartment which they could share together and thus be able to cut their living quarter expense.



Group of Bible Club children

(Betty Doverspike)

Their joy is to see these German children accept Christ and watch them grow in the Lord. It is a rewarding work as progress is noted in their lives, with deeper perception of spiritual things.

DYKE, HERBERT and BETTY

While going out among the different villages during the touring season, the Dykes had an opportunity of meeting some of the high caste people of India. A district Superintendent of police, a school teacher, as well as a very interested Brahman man, permitted them to enter their homes. It was



Nancy, Bruce and Elaine Dyke

a real privilege to visit with them and tell them about Christ Jesus our Saviour.

They have given much time to the building up of the Church. The eleven organized churches in the District were visited during the touring season. In each place, two or three days of special meetings preceded their annual meetings. Progress is being made in their self-government.

Only four of the organized churches have their own Pastor, although they are all being urged to call a Pastor and support him. There are two full time evangelists and several laymen who are witnessing in their villages.

FISHER, HUBERT and MARY

Hubert Fisher was born in Ontario at Bancroft, while Mary Fisher was born in Scotland, although she was brought up in British Columbia.



Hubert and Mary Fisher

Brother Fisher first went to China in 1926. When the doors for missionary service in China were closed nine years ago, they were called by the Lord to labor in Japan, where they have been ever since.

In their work in Japan of opening up new centers to the Gospel, in order to make contacts, Hubert concentrates on house to house visitation, while Mary has English Bible classes for students. Once a group of inquirers and believers comes into existence through these and other means, Bible teaching, personal counselling, prayer meetings and opportunities for the new believers to witness, soon develop a desire to win their own people for the Lord. They begin to work with Hubert and Mary in children's meetings, women's meetings, and other evangelistic meetings. The aim of the missionary is to train them to become responsible for their own group with its evangelistic outreach and as soon as possible call a Pastor, and thus free the missionaries to open up new centers to the Gospel.

The China Inland Mission has 70 missionaries on the field in Japan when at full strength. They are asking God to give them an additional 50 missionaries during the next five years, so that an additional 10 cities can soon be opened up to the Gospel.

The Fishers arrived home on furlough on February 28, 1959 and plan to return to Japan early in January 1961.

GORDON, ROBERT and FRANCES

The Gordon family arrived home on furlough on May 7, 1960. They plan upon their return to the field to work in the mountains of Colombia. The Evangelical Alliance Mission has asked the Gordons to work on plans for a Christian Boarding School somewhat like that which TEAM had in Venezuela. This will necessitate their returning to the field in January of 1961.

The Gordons paid a short visit to Mizpah Grove Camp Meeting this summer. Their oldest boy, Robert Jr., was enrolled at the Victory Valley camp for boys. On Friday, September 9, 1960, Robert and Frances Gordon with their three children, Robert Jr., Stanley and David, met with the Board during their regular meeting, and told of their plans to go to Colombia to engage in the re-opening of schools. This will furnish opportunities to reach the youth in secular education, but also to give instruction in the Bible.

During their recent term in Venezuela they were principally engaged in radio and school work.

GRIEBENOW, Rev. and Mrs. M. G.

From Hong Kong where they are working with the Alliance Press, Brother Griebenow sends word about the great amount of literature in the Chinese language being printed and sent out to individuals and churches. While the doors to China remain closed to missionary personnel, there is still an open door to Christian literature.

Several months ago a branch book store was opened in another busy area of Kowloon. It is called "The Alliance Press Book Center." The Chinese people love to read, and it is the hope of the personnel of the Alliance Press, that many will be reached with the Gospel message through Gospel literature and thus be won to Christ.



Group at Dedication of Book Center in Hong Kong. Seated in front, M. G. Griebenow fourth from the left; John Bechtel fourth from the right

Brother Griebenow continues in his position as Director of this work, and also is taking over the Chairmanship of the China Hong Kong Field which includes Formosa. It is the earnest hope of the missionaries that they will be able to reach out more effectively into Formosa, Philippines and Indonesia.

Five main branches of work are listed. (1) National Churches now numbering thirteen. (2) Alliance Bible Seminary with some over 60 students. (3) Roof-top and school projects. (4) The Alliance Press, literature arm of the work. (5) The Kowloon Tong Chinese Church, having a fine building, congregation and school.

HARLEY, BARCLAY and DOROTHY

Their first term in Venezuela was a busy and active one. For the past year they were at the Orinoco Academy, where they were the house parents to the missionary children staying there. Barclay was occupied much of the time with working on the construction of the additional building of a dormitory. About thirty-five children of missionaries are taking classes in the Academy.

Both Barclay and Dorothy had their hours of teaching in addition to their many other duties.

They arrived home on furlough during July and were able to attend several of the meetings of the second division Camp Meeting at Mizpah Grove. During their furlough they will be living at the missionary apartment at our Berean Bible School.

Their four years would not have been up until December, but the furlough time runs from summer to summer in order to permit the children to have one uninterrupted year of school in the States.

HERTZOG, ROY and DIANE

The Hertzogs arrived in Tangier, Morocco, early in February of this year. As soon as they were settled in their living quarters, they began their language study of French. It has occupied much of their time.

The Board was able to help them financially to secure an automobile which has been a great help in enabling them to travel back and forth from their residence to the headquarters of the Voice of Tangier.



Roy and Diane Hertzog

Roy found many jobs in addition to studying French, such as helping to remodel and rewire the studio and control room. When new equipment was received, he helped to install and prepare another studio for broadcasts.

The Hertzogs have gone forth in obedience to the Lord's command, and are ambitious to use whatever talent and gift they may have for the service and glory of God.

HOPKINS, ROBERT

The big item on the agenda for Robert Hopkins, was the preparation and training of counsellors for the contemplated meetings with Billy Graham. These meetings were scheduled for the month of September in Germany and Switzerland.

It was necessary for Brother Hopkins to instruct the workers for the campaigns, giving practical assignments such as Bible study, memory, and daily devotional time, so that they would not only be equipped to serve as counsellors, but they would also establish habits that would contribute to their future growth and effectiveness.

The Hopkins family now numbers four. Latest addition was the birth of Gary Robert on April 13, 1960. Prayers were answered in the provision of a house that will be their residence, and also the German Navigators head-quarters. The house was in need of repairs, but has since been completely redone on the inside and now is real nice. The outside still looks shabby but the owner promised to have it taken care of soon.

HOYLE, Mrs. DORIS

The Hoyle family is located in the north-west corner of France, near the Belgian border, at the city of Lille. It is their objective to organize Bible study groups, do market evangelism, and to seek to minister as opportunity is afforded with the university students nearby.

In addition to these ministries, they have been giving time to children's work, with DVBS and a Bible Center that is now in operation.

During the summer, there were several evangelistic campaigns held in several different cities. Here the witness for Christ was faithfully given. There was nothing spectacular to report about them, but the Word was preached and some contacts were made which are being followed up. Many thousands of tracts were distributed.

MANN, CHARLES L., Jr.

Charles sailed from Belgium on May 30, 1958 and arriving on the field in the Belgian Congo at once set to work with language study. There were many trips into the bush in village evangelism. Gradually acquiring a knowledge of the language he was able to converse with the natives, and do some preaching.

The Unevangelized Fields Mission, under which Brother Mann was working, has an organized work with chosen leaders in the Congo. They are constantly seeking to expand the work and reach out to new areas.

The troubled Congo with conditions very disturbed, gave reason for the Mission to recall the missionaries. Evacuation was made during July 13-22. The trouble began with an anti-Belgian attitude and deteriorated to an anti-white campaign. The British Vice Counsul ordered the evacuation of all British subjects, and later ordered evacuation of American citizens.

The missionaries of the Unevangelized Fields Mission now at home, are to have a period of rest, after which the Mission will evaluate the possibilities of returning to the Congo or even of working on some other field.

Charles arrived home on July 22, 1960 and was privileged to attend several services of the second division Camp Meeting. He was also one of the counsellors and the missionary speaker at the Victory Valley boys camps.

MAASS, MARGARET

During the latter part of her second term on the field Margaret experienced a time of physical testing. She suffered from what was diagnosed as a slipped disc, which gave her much pain and discomfort. Since the time of furlough was close at hand, she was recommended to return to the States for further treatment. On board the ship, the Lord touched her body and brought healing. A visit to the doctor in Bethlehem proved the healing to be real, and once again Margaret was praising the Lord for the divine touch.

Her second term on the field was spent in Tokyo working with the Japan Sunday School Union. She prepared the Daily Vacation Bible School material and other Sunday school lessons for use in the evangelical Sunday schools of Japan. It was a work close to her heart and which she thoroughly enjoyed.

At present Margaret is attending Wheaton College, in an endeavor to further her education and be better fitted for the work in Japan to which the Lord has led her.

MILLER, SYLVIA

Sylvia arrived on the field for her second term on February 12, 1959. During this term on the field she was able to purchase an automobile which has been a great help in enabling her to visit the 49 schools which are her responsibility.



Sylvia Miller with her panel truck

The work in which Sylvia is engaged, is the day by day traveling to the Government schools to teach the boys and girls. It is in reality Bible Club work and brings her into contact with many children, among which are a number of Catholic boys and girls. Some have openly confessed Christ, and



Sylvia Miller with two Teachers. Mohammedan on the left, a Christian on the right.

thus have brought joy to the missionary as there is fruit for the Seed that has been sown.

In a recent letter she stated that several Catholic boys had accepted Christ. One boy said that he must go to Bible School next year as the call of God was heavy upon him.

Recently a Christian Training Center has been established. It is mostly for such who want to enter Bible School but who have not had enough training in registered schools to meet the requirement of Bible School standards. They had 23 students to start and expect the number to increase as the news is spread regarding the new training center.



Group of Children at a Government School and Sylvia Miller

Things in Tanganyika are quiet and the missionaries are hoping that it will continue to remain that way. They are unaffected by the troubles of the Congo.

MOYER, EDWARD and RUTH

The Moyer family returned to the States on Monday, August 8, 1960. They had been serving under the Berean Mission in the Belgian Congo. One of their last official acts in the Congo was to drive the Director of their Mission, Rev. Reuben Lingquist, to the Airport. He had been on an official visit to the Congo field.

The Moyers' never returned to their Station because of the outbreak of trouble that followed the declaration of Independence of the Congo. They spent several weeks anxiously seeking to find a way to remain on the field, however circumstances proved that it would be unwise for them to stay any longer as missionaries were rapidly being evacuated. Thus it was that after only about eighteen months on the field, the Moyer family were on their way back to the States.

Edward and his family were attending a missionary conference in Ruanda, when the news reached them that the Belgians were fleeing the country. While attending the conference Edward was doing some dental work for the missionaries.

POYSTI, EARL

Earl Poysti has enjoyed a wide ministry throughout Europe during the past few years. He has had the privilege of ministry to groups in Poland, Finland and also behind the iron curtain in Moscow itself. He also was able to enter Berlin and meet with Christians there.

There has also been a radio ministry. Letters with Gospel literature apparently do not reach the people. He tried by registered mail to send literature into Poland but it never reached them. Consequently his being able to enter these countries in person, was a great opportunity and brought spiritual blessing to many.

The Gospel Furtherance Society has asked Earl to return to the States, in order to take over the responsibilities of the Director, Richard Robinson, while he is cooperating with the Pocket Testament League in the extended Scripture campaign throughout Berlin and West Germany.

Earl with his family will stay at the Houses of Fellowship in Ventnor, N.J., during their one year furlough.

RAMPY, ROBERT and MARCELLA

The Rampys have been kept busy with their work at the book store in Puerto La Cruz. They send out Gospel literature from here, and also engage in Gospel ministry wherever an opportunity is afforded.

They report that souls are being saved, and that priests in Venezuela are being alarmed at the rate that Christianity is gaining in Latin America.

Marcella is director of the women's choir in Puerto La Cruz, and reports that they have made very good progress although some could not even read. They have made several public appearances and been well received.

The United Convention of Evangelicals in Cumana during August was a time of blessing and spiritual refreshing for the missionaries. The Rampys had their display of Gospels and literature from the book store and dealt with many visitors to the Convention regarding spiritual matters.

Marcella was hoping to be able to return to the States aboard a tanker, for a brief visit, during which she was to have a physical check-up, as well as taking care of several other important matters.

RAWN, OLIVE

Olive was converted when but a young girl, under the ministry of W. F. Heffner. Through her school years, the Lord was leading and preparing her for His service. Upon the completion of her public schooling, she entered nurses training. After graduating from nursing school, she went to Bible School.

It was during her attendance at Bible School that the Lord definitely led her to surrender her life to Him for full time service. Within ten months after completing Bible School, she was on her way to Africa.

On the Sudan field there were many opportunities to serve and to witness for the Lord. When the government compelled the medical work of the Mission to cease, Olive found other open doors. The latter part of her last



Olive Rawn with her bicycle in village visitation



Acoli Women - Mother and Daughter (Olive Rawn)

term on the field, was devoted to village visitation. With her bicycle, she made many trips to outlying villages and brought the Gospel to many.

Olive returned to the States on furlough on February 12, 1960, and plans to return to the Sudan early in 1961.

SHELLY, AUSTIN and RUTH

The Shelly family is now located at the Bible Institute and Austin is now filling the position for which he had been prepared. He is teaching Church History, Comparative Religions, Personal Evangelism and Homiletics. Ruth is teaching several hours of English each week and also assists in the library. For them it is a busy life, but one which they enjoy as they find themselves in the place of the Lord's own choosing for them.

The privilege of training Nationals is a great opportunity, and they are seeking to make the most of it.

The higher altitude where they live is pleasant and they have found that many things can be raised there that could not be found in other parts of Venezuela.

Their daily schedule calls for early rising, with classes beginning at 7:15 A.M.

SOLT, DAVE

A year ago Dave returned to the States for several weeks in order to secure necessary parts and equipment for YNOL transmitter for Nicaraugua. It was miraculous the way materials were secured and shipped to Nicaraugua, as again and again the Lord answered prayer.

During the first half of 1960, a concentrated effort was made to reach the populace of Nicaraugua. The Latin America Mission conducted an intensive campaign known as, "Evangelism in depth." Among the activities, were the united campaigns, or crusades, in fourteen key cities. It was estimated that more than 120,000 people heard the Gospel. There was house to house visitation, distribution of tracts and booklets, and the country-wide coverage by means of Radio YNOL.



Radio Station YNOL -- Nicaraugua

As a climax to this intensive campaign, there was a parade through the main streets of Managua. Thousands of evangelicals marched, singing in Spanish, "How Great Thou Art." It made a tremendous impression on those who watched and saw the enthusiasm of the marchers as they bore witness for Christ.

Dave and Georgina have been asked by the Board of YNOL to remain in Managua until February of 1961. It is likely that they will then return again to Costa Rica and take up the work with TIFC where Dave was chief engineer.

STENGELE, LAIRD and MARIANNE

The Stengeles returned to India for their second term just a little over a year ago. The work of the CMA in India suffered a real loss in the home call of Rev. L. R. Carner, who was a real spiritual leader of the work. He was the Principal of the men's Bible School at Nargaon.

Laird was asked to temporarily assume the place of Principal and be in charge of administration, until a successor could be appointed. It was a new ministry for the Stengeles and presented them with a real challenge, for these students will be the future leaders of the Church in India.

Carol Sue is now in fifth grade and lives in a hostel with other missionary children.

Following their temporary assignment to the Bible School, they are expected to return to Amravati station again to take up the work with which they formerly were occupied.

TWEDDELL, COLIN and GERTRUDE

Some months ago the Tweddells went to Manila for research work on the Cuyono language. The work of language study in the Cuyono dialect is on the heart of our brother, and he is continuing with it and doing remarkably well. While in Baguio, Colin had the privilege of speaking on "The Christian Ministry as a Career" to about 200 high school students.

The Tweddells are rejoicing in that a full time co-worker has been appointed to assist in the translation work. He is a young Filipino Pastor, a graduate from the ABWE Bible Institute in Manila. He is a quiet, keen young man, who is friendly and endowed with evangelistic gifts.

While the important work of translation goes on with painstaking effort, there are also opportunities for Gospel work, and this is not being neglected.



"Colin Tweddell with Caretaker BACALTOS going out to make tape recordings."

The Tweddells are veteran missionaries. They continue with unabated zeal to press on into new areas, and labor in the strength and wisdom that God provides.

IRWIN, Rev. E. F. The Irwins have arrived in the States on July 8, 1960. They have served in Viet Nam for forty-six years and thus are veteran missionaries.

MILLER, BERTHA. Bertha had hoped to return to the Kamayala Station in the Congo, where she had labored for many years. However, the conditions in the Congo are such, as to make her return for the present impossible. Bertha attended the Camp Meeting at Mizpah Grove this summer.

YOST, GRACE. Grace continues to work with the Southern Highland Evangel mission in Virginia. The work is varied and interesting. Most of her time is devoted to teaching in clubs for boys and girls, and also assisting in the work of the Mission in Grundy.

Grace enjoys the work and feels that she is in the place where the Lord wants her to be.

SNYDER, Rev. C. F. and PHOEBE. These veteran Missionaries live in retirement in Glendale, California. They have spent many years in active missionary endeavor in Tibet. Retirement from active service, has not dimmed in the least their interest in the missionary program. They find opportunities to serve and to witness in their local area.

NEW MISSIONARIES

SCHOFFSTALL, Dr. ROBERT SCHOFFSTALL, MARGUERITE

The Schoffstalls with their two little girls, Bobbie Ann and Beth Anne, sailed aboard a Tanker from New York on September 15th. They are bound for Egbe, Nigeria, where they will be engaged in hospital work under the Sudan Interior Mission.

Prior to their leaving for missionary work, they lived in Harrisburg, Pa. Here Dr. Schoffstall completed four years of residency in surgery in the Polyclinic Hospital. The Schoffstalls are gifted servants of the Lord, who have consecrated their lives to the Lord for full time service on the foreign field. We thank God for them, and pray that they may ever be divinely sustained, as they minister among the people of Nigeria.

Nigeria attained Independence on October 1, 1960. This country covers an area of 373,250 square miles, and has the largest population in Africa. It is a country where yellow fever, blackwater fever, malaria, and many other terrible diseases are being attacked by doctors and nurses in 225 hospitals and 42 leprosaria.

Nigeria has offered to each of her citizens personal freedom and the right to worship God as he chooses.



Dr. and Mrs. Robert Schoffstall, Bobbie Ann and Beth Anne

HATTON, HOWARD. In the early part of 1960 the Hatton family sailed from Seattle, Washington, for Thailand. They are at present living in Bangkok, the capital city of Thailand. Here they are in charge of the production and distribution of literature. They are responsible for the distribution of the Chinese magazine, Dengta.

Howard Hatton was born in Mitu, Yunnan, China, a son of missionary parents. He received his early schooling in the China Inland Mission school. During World War 2, he was in the concentration camp with other children. Later on in 1943, he was repatriated on the Gripsholm to the States.

In the States, Howard attended and graduated from Allentown High School. Following High School he attended Moody Bible Institute and Gordon College. While attending Gordon College, he met his future wife, Lorraine. They attended the candidate school of the China Inland Mission and upon their acceptance as candidates, were appointed to Thailand.

The Hattons have three children, and are now serving their second term on the field.

BROWN, LUTHER. Luther was a member of our Blandon congregation. He had served for some years in the Marine Medical Mission in Seattle. Responding to the call of God, Luther applied to Wycliffe Bible Translators for foreign service. He was nearing the completion of the Jungle Training Course of Wycliffe, in Mexico, when tragedy struck. While returning from an over-night trip, the canoe upset throwing the three men into the river.

Suddenly Luther disappeared from sight and later when a search was made, they found the body on the river bed.

At the age of thirty-three, Luther had given his best for the Lord, and while his untimely death remains a mystery, we bow to the will of God, knowing that there are no mistakes in the Divine Will. Luther's life remains a challenge to others to step in the ranks and respond to the call. His life was lived to the full in complete dedication to the service and will of God.

BIGLEY, JAMES and RENEE. The Bigleys have gone to Detroit, Michigan, where they are presently taking the Missionary Internship Course for missionary candidates. The course runs for seven months.

TO THE POINT

In a monthly prayer letter sent out by the China Inland Mission, this note appeared at the bottom of the prayer requests:

"All the world is a rubbish heap and the only thing that delays the great conflagration is the fact that there are still some jewels hid in it that must be found for the Lord."

OFFICERS — WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY GENERAL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Roy Williams, 2139 Walnut Street, Ashland, Pa.

Mrs. Paul E. Baer, 21 N. Tenth Street, Easton, Pa.

CHURCHES

Mrs. William Hunsberger, 417 N. Seventh Street, Royersford, Pa.

Mrs. Evelyn Trumbore, P. O. Box 426, Lansdale, Pa.

MISSIONARIES ASSIGNED TO CHURCHES

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ALLENTOWN	(Bethel)	Rev. & Mrs. Laird Stengele Miss Betty Doverspike
		Rev. & Mrs. M. G. Griebenow
		Rev. Roy Hertzog
		Mrs. Ronald Hoyle
		Rev. & Mrs. Austin Shelly
		Miss Louise Miller
BETHLEHEM		Rev. Paul Chaponniere
		Miss Margaret Maass
		Rev. & Mrs. Hubert Fisher
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FLEETWOOD-	BLANDON	Dr. & Mrs. Colin Tweddell

HARRISBURG-LEBANONDr. Robert Schoffstall
HATFIELDMiss Olive Rawn
Rev. David Solt
PHILADELPHIA (Salem)Rev. & Mrs. J. Barclay Harley Rev. & Mrs. C. F. Snyder
PHILADELPHIA (Calvary)Miss Sylvia Miller
PHILADELPHIA (Emmanuel)Miss Grace Yost
MOUNT CARMELMrs. Theresa Chaponniere
QUAKERTOWNRev. Charles Mann
READINGRev. Robert Hopkins
Mrs. Marguerite Schoffstall
SHAMOKINMr. Melvin Claassen
SUNBURYMrs. Martha Claassen
GRATERFORD-HARLEYSVILLEMrs. Marcella Rampy
TERRE HILLRev. Robert Rampy
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REGIONAL OFFICERS

Region No. 1

PRESIDENT—Mrs. Robert W. Smock, Terre Hill, Pa. VICE PRESIDENT—Mrs. Robert McIntyre, P.O. Box 32, Paradise, Pa. SECRETARY—Mrs. Rudy Gehman, 532 Prospect Street, Lancaster, Pa. TREASURER—Mrs. Warren Peiffer, Gordonville, Pa.

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PRESIDENT—Mrs. Roy Williams, 2139 Walnut Street, Ashland, Pa. VICE PRESIDENT—Mrs. Leroy Brosius, 881 S. Second Street, Sunbury, Pa. SECRETARY—Mrs. W. B. Hottel, 132 W. Fourth Street, Mt. Carmel, Pa. TREASURER—Mrs. Elva Johnson, Box 40, R.D. #1, Paxinos, Pa.

Region No. 3

PRESIDENT—Mrs. Clayton Weber, Oley, Pa. VICE PRESIDENT—Mrs. John Lee, 812 Pear Street, Reading, Pa. SECRETARY—Mrs. Lillian Stortz, 104 W. Third Street, Collegeville, Pa. TREASURER—Mrs. Henry Metz, Box 296, Harleysville, R.D. #1, Pa.

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PRESIDENT—Mrs. John E. Golla, 16 S. Broad Street, Nazareth, Pa. VICE PRESIDENT—Mrs. Bert Brosius, 438 Cypress Street, Lehighton, Pa. SECRETARY—Miss Kathlyne Stortz, 666 Chestnut Street, Emmaus, Pa. TREASURER— Mrs. Henry Musselman, 923½ Green Street, Allentown, Pa.

Region No. 5

PRESIDENT-Mrs. Horace Evans, 1414 N. New Street, Bethlehem, Pa. VICE PRESIDENT—Mrs. Raymond Dotts, Miller Heights, Pa. SECRETARY-Mrs. Marjorie Wilkinson, 302 Charles Street, Palmyra, N.J. TREASURER-Mrs. Robert Johnson, 1023 Taylor Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

FINANCIAL

September 30, 1959 — September 30, 1960

Receipts

Balance, September 30, 1959 From the Churches, 1959 Conference From the Sunday Schools, 1959 Conference Interest (Bank) Berean Students Berean Apartment Rent Women's Missionary Society Region #3 Victory Valley Interest	_\$50,007.80 _ 23,968.97 _ 1,795.78 _ 325.00 _ 50.00 _ 98.00	\$ 48,662.31 76,725.55
TOTAL		\$125,387.86
Expenditures		
Christian and Missionary Alliance (9 Missionaries, 4 Corinoco River Mission (6 Missionaries, 8 Children) Orinoco River Academy China Inland Mission (6 Missionaries) Africa Inland Mission (4 Missionaries) Congo Inland Mission (3 Missionaries, 2 Children) Missionary Housing, Congo Inland Mission Evangelical Alliance Mission (2 Missionaries, 3 Child Berean Mission Inc. (2 Missionaries, 2 Children) Greater Europe Mission (1 Missionary) Bible Club Movement (2 Missionaries) Unevangelized Fields Mission (1 Missionary) Paul Chaponniere family Gospel Furtherance Society (1 Missionary) Latin America Mission (1 Missionary) Radio TIFC and YNOL Navigators (1 Missionary) North Africa Mission (1 Missionary) South Africa General Mission (2 Missionaries) Voice of Tangier (2 Missionaries) Grace Yost Secretary honorarium Missionary Internship Equipment Dr. Robert Schoffstall Sudan Interior Mission (2 Missionaries, 2 Children) Medical fees for Missionaries Betty Doverspike special Fred and Janet Venable (Jungle Training Camp)	ren)	_ 11,500.00 _ 500.00 _ 9,455.00 _ 6,020.00 _ 3,040.00 _ 1,000.00 _ 4,010.00 _ 3,850.00 _ 2,180.00 _ 1,600.00 _ 2,980.00 _ 1,600.00 _ 1,735.00 _ 1,735.00 _ 1,870.00 _ 4,060.00 _ 4,060.00 _ 1,200.00 _ 50.00 _ 50.00 _ 500.00 _ 1,950.00 _ 320.00 _ 17,000.00 _ 17,000.00 _ 1,950.00 _ 17,000.00 _ 1,950.00 _ 17,000.00 _ 1,950.00 _ 1,700.00 _ 1,950.00 _ 1,950.00 _ 1,950.00 _ 1,950.00 _ 1,700.00

Luther Brown (Jungle Training Camp)	250.00
Sylvia Miller, special for transportation	300.00
Freight Allowance Roy Hertzog	
Olive Rawn, special for transportation	468.90
Charles Mann, Automobile	
Baggage Charge on S.S. (Roy Hertzog)	408.00
Equipment Roy and Diane Hertzog	
Gospel Herald Subscriptions	78.75
Fares and meals for Board and Missionaries	172.64
Travel expenses	70.20
Mimeograph	38.23
Roy Hertzog, Automobile	1,000.00
Berean Bible School missionary program	300.00
Moving furniture to missionary apartment	48.00
Missionaries at Mizpah Grove, honorariums, meals, etc	525.82
Telephone	20.30
Printing Booklets "Continuing Task"	
Year Books	150.00
Printing, letterheads, envelopes	
Miscellaneous	36.19
Postage, stationery, etc.	
Berean Bible School apartment rent	877.50
James Bigley, expenses for Missionary Internship	296.00
_	\$91,580.89
Cash Balance on hand September 30, 1960	\$33,806.97

INVESTMENTS

Loan	to	Board of Directors	\$22,000.00
Loan	to	Victory Valley	\$16,000.00

T. D. Gehret General Secretary

Walter H. Frank, Chairman Kermit Gehman C. E. Kirkwood F. B. Hertzog Willard E. Cassel

Roy Williams James R. Cressman Robert Breitegam,

Board

DIRECTORY OF MISSIONARIES

BAKER, Rev. and Mrs. Russell-Pottstown, Star Route, Pa.

BUCK, Rev. and Mrs. Leonard-P.O. Box 342, Roodepoort, Transvaal, Union of South Africa

CAMPBELL, Dr. and Mrs. William-8 Marshan, Hope House, Tangier, Morocco

CHAPONNIERE, Rev. Paul—B.P. 2172, Brazzaville, Republic of Congo

CHAPONNIERE, Mrs. Theresa—Foyer Missionaire, La Cote Aux Fees, Neuchatel. Switzerland

CLAASSEN, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin-Whitewater, Kansas

DOVERSPIKE, Miss Betty-Wielandstrasse 17, Wiesbaden, Germany

DYKE, Rev. and Mrs. Herbert—Mission House, Anjangaon-Surji, Dist. Amraoti, Berar, India

FISHER, Rev. and Mrs. Hubert—P.O. Box 216, Powell River, B.C., Canada GORDON, Rev. and Mrs. Robert—R.D. #1, Dallastown, Pa.

GRIEBENOW, Rev. and Mrs. M. G.—The Alliance Press, P.O. Box 5105, Kowloon, Hong Kong

HARLEY, Rev. and Mrs. Barclay-1022 South Hall Street, Allentown, Pa.

HATTON, Rev. Howard—Overseas Missionary Fellowship, 135 Pan Rd., Bangkok, Thailand

HERTZOG, Rev. and Mrs. Roy—% Mr. William Mial, St. Jean, Cap - Ferret, Box #3, France

HOPKINS, Rev. Robert—P.O. Box 155, Eschersheim, Frankfurt/Main, Germany

HOYLE, Mrs. Doris—15 Rue, d'Alger, Lille, 4, (Nord) France

IRWIN, Rev. E. F.—260 W. 44th Street, New York, 36, N.Y.

MANN, Rev. Charles L., Jr.—1039 Doylestown Pike, Quakertown, Pa.

MAASS, Miss Margaret—Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois

MILLER, Miss Bertha—251 W. Hively Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana

MILLER, Miss Louise—Wielandstrasse 17, Wiesbaden, Germany

MILLER, Miss Sylvia—P.O. Box 46, Shinyanga, Tanganyika, East Africa

MOYER, Rev. and Mrs. Edward—325 E. Walnut Street, Perkasie, Pa.

POYSTI, Rev. Earl—Gospel Furtherance Soc., P.O. Box 5, Atlantic City, N.J.

RAMPY, Rev. and Mrs. Robert—Puerto La Cruz, Anzoategui, Venezuela

RAWN, Miss Olive—Africa Inland Mission, Torit, Equatoria, Sudan, Africa

SCHOFFSTALL, Dr. and Mrs. Robert—Egbe Hospital, Egbe Via I Lorin, Nigeria, Africa

SHELLY, Rev. and Mrs. Austin—Instituto Biblico Las Delicias, Estado Monagas, Caripe, Venezuela

SOLT, Rev. David—P.O. Box 607, Managua, Nicaraugua

STENGELE, Rev. and Mrs. Laird—Mission Bungalow, Amravati Camp, Berar B.S. India

SNYDER, Rev. and Mrs. Calvin—355 Mission Road, Glendale, 5, California

TWEDDELL, Dr. and Mrs. Colin—Cuyo, Palawan, Philippines

YOST, Miss Grace—Grundy, Virginia

X.—REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GENERAL CAMP MEETING COMMITTEE, 1960

Two Camp Meetings were held during the summer season at Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pennsylvania.

ALLENTOWN DISTRICT
July 2 to July 10—260 tents

BETHLEHEM DISTRICT July 16 to July 24—218 tents

Receipts

	\$4,042.45 4,873.29
Total Receipts	

F. B. Hertzog, Chairman.

XI.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION AND PRINTING

Receipts

Balance in Treasury October 20, 1959\$	564.67
Received from Annual Conference	506.81
Received from sale of Year Books	940.00
Received from Sunday Schools	237.25
Received from Foreign Mission Board	44.19
Received from Church Extension Board	105.81
Received from Gospel Herald Subscriptions	60.00
\$2	2,458.73

Expenditures	
Honorarium to Conference Treasurer	\$ 50.00
Honorarium to Conference Secretary	50.00
Honorarium to Circulation Manager Bible Fel. G. H.	25.00
Honorarium to Editor Bible Fellowship Gospel Herald	100.00
Working Capital for Editor B. F. G. H.	100.00
6 Minute Books	54.96
7500 Secretary Sheets (Sunday School)	
30,100 Sunday School Offering Envelopes	
27,150 Stewardship Envelopes	
20,000 Building Fund Envelopes	
23,000 Steward Envelopes	
Miscellaneous Expenses for Year Book	
Printing 1200 Year Books	
Donation toward Ministerial Conference Expenses	,
5835 Berean Bible School Offering Envelopes	
31,125 Steward Envelopes	

XIII.—REPORT OF EXAMINER OF APPLICANTS ON DISCIPLINE

Raymond R. Dotts	94
Robert J. Entler	95
Robert N. Gordon	85
Elwood L. Heiser	99
Ronald C. Mahurin	90

Richard R. Ruth	95
Norman R. Weiss	90
Daniel G. Ziegler	98
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F. B. Hertzog, Examiner.

XIV.—BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

"For we are laborers together with God: . . . " I Corinthians 3:9

Challenged by the superhuman task of reaching countless souls with the gospel of Christ; having only a few workers and limited finances, J. Hudson Taylor stated his firm conviction that, "God's Work done in God's way and in God's time never lacks God's support." One hundred years later this maxim may still be taken as a challenge and encouragement by those engaged in the ministry of reconciliation.

At the commencement of this Conference year our newly elected Director of Church Extension, William A. Heffner, assumed the responsibility of superintending this phase of our Conference ministry. The Board is well-pleased with the commendable manner in which our Director faithfully performed his duties throughout the year. The election of a full-time Director has been a great asset in acquainting our constituents more fully with the program and progress of our Church Extension work.

There are now ten Church Extension appointments under the jurisdiction of our Board. This represents an increase of two over the previous year. However, it should be stated that each new appointment creates an increased financial burden since none of these churches are self-supporting. The liberal gifts received from many of our churches and Sunday Schools for the work of Church Extension are deeply appreciated.

A well-constructed house adjoining the church property was purchased this year in Paradise providing an excellent parsonage for that church. The Church at Denville, N. J. has completed most of the plans for its new church building. Funds are urgently needed to complete this project.

The Board has had the privilege of interviewing several candidates for Church Extension work during the year. The prayerful interest of God's people is earnestly requested for the laborers presently engaged in this vital ministry.

The following men are licensed by and laboring under the direction of the Board of Church Extension:

> Alva C. Cassel Raymond R. Dotts Robert J. Entler Reynold D. Gardner Elwood L. Heiser Ronald C. Mahurin

Robert E. McIntyre Leon K. Overpeck Richard R. Ruth G. Howard VanSandt Norman R. Weiss Daniel G. Ziegler

FINANCIAL

Receipts

Balance in Treasury, October 1, 1959	\$ 8,807.26
Received from Churches	28,756.55

Lancaster, Pa. Trenton, N. J. Received from Benevolent Society (Lancaster m	300.00 443.70 583.44 ————		
Gift from Paradise for parsonage Gift for Director's parsonage painting Rent received for tent Refund on Insurance		925.00 50.00 50.00 2.55	
Total Receipts			\$53,914.90
Expenditures			
Allentown District Appropriations Bethlehem District Appropriations Conference Entertainment Fund Appropriations for Church Extension Workers Director's Salary Remodeling and Redecorating Director's Parsonae Oil and Utilities for Director's Parsonage Property Settlement Expenses: Fares, Fees, Tel., Taxes Paradise Parsonage (Down Payment) Director's Moving Expenses Mortgage Payments (Trenton property) Attorney Fees Insurance Printing "Our Continuing Task" Water and Sewer (Roxborough property)	nge	7,560.00 660.66	
Total Expenses			. ,
Balance in Treasury, October 1, 1960			1,604.23
			\$53,914.90
The Board of Church Extension has the follo	owing as:	sets invest	ted in Real
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C. E.	Kirkwoo	d. Chairn	nan.

C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman,
A. L. Seifert, Secretary,
W. A. Heffner,
F. B. Hertzog,
J. E. Hartman,
S. A. Hackman,
Clayton E. Weber,
Board of Church Extension.

XV.—REPORT OF THE VICTORY VALLEY CAMP COMMITTEE

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he shall not depart from it." So said the wise man; and so believes the Victory Valley Camp Committee. It is the goal of the Committee to train children and young people spiritually, mentally, socially and culturally.

Under the hand of God this year was a new height in achieving this goal. There were 306 campers at the six weeks of camp. Of these many committed themselves to Christ as Lord and many learned how completely previously made commitments should affect their lives.

No new project was completed for camp improvement this year, but many minor improvements were made. Some of this work was done by volunteer labor from several Churches. The Women's Missionary Groups made contributions of everything from dishtowels to draw-drapes.

The program of Victory Valley was extended to enable young folks of junior and senior high age to attend camp. These two camps were well received by the campers and their parents. The opportunity of presenting the claims of Christ to these older campers resulted in some times of heart searching and blessing in the presence of God.

Victory Valley was the site of the 12th Annual Youth Fellowship Retreat. It was well attended. It is good to be able to accommodate this part of our denominational program on our own grounds.

This committee recommends the following:

- That the Sunday School of every Bible Fellowship Church receive an offering for Victory Valley Camp before March 1, 1961. This offering is to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Board of Directors.
- 2. That the facilities of Victory Valley be available for limited use by groups from Bible Fellowship Churches. Arrangements for such use of the facilities should be made through the Chairman of the Victory Valley Camp Committee and an offering for this use sent to the Secretary of the Board of Directors.
- 3. That the dates for the camps in 1961 shall be as follows:

July 8-15—Girls 8-12 years old 15-22—Girls 8-12 years old 22-29—Junior high boys and girls 29-Aug. 5—Junior high boys and girls Aug. 5-12—Senior high boys and girls 12-19—Boys 8-12 years old 19-26—Boys 8-12 years old

Financial Report

Receipts:

348 Registration Fees\$	696.00
306 Camp Fees 6	3,193.50
Camp Bank Deposits	833.24
Camp Cash Offerings	16.50
Cash Receipts—Snack Shack	52.20
Sale of Craft Supplies	7.20

Sale of Food to Berean Bible SchoolSale of Food to Youth RetreatGifts	149.76 110.00 100.00 100.00 30.15	
Other	11.50	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	8,738.05
Expenses:		
Food	\$2,159.80	
Wages	2,058.80	
Library	,	
Program Materials	229.37	
Handcraft		
Maintenance—Buildings and Equipment	547.65	
Snack Shack	388.26	
Publicity	166.87	
Trucks and Bus	299.10	
Telephone	96.09	
Fuel—Gas and Oil	27.31	
Electricity		
Camp Bank Refunds		
Medical Supplies		
Office Supplies		
Kitchen Supplies		
Film Rental and Postage	21.31	
Sports and Recreation		
Other		
Payment of Snack Shack Supplies for 1959 season	141.22	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$7,152.88	
Balance turned over to Board of Directors	1,585.17	
		\$8.738.0

\$8,738.05

This record of income and expense covers only the operation of the six weeks of camp. For a record of the offerings from the churches, the special donations and the expenses for capital improvement see the report of the Board of Directors.

C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman,
Carl C. Cassel, Secretary,
Walter H. Frank, Treasurer,
Kermit K. Gehman,
F. B. Hertzog,
S. A. Hackman,
Clayton E. Weber,
Committee.

XVI.—REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

It has been a real joy to know that God has afforded to Berean the privilege of teaching the Word of God again for another year. In these dark and troubled days in which we live, it is encouraging to know that "the entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding to the simple." Psalm 119:130.

As we come to the conclusion of another conference year, we pause a moment to review again another year of Berean's history. In doing so, we shall seek to bring to your attention those things which we believe to be of significance in the light of Berean's objectives.

The Board of Education has endeavored to strengthen the program and develop the School in order that its ministry might be enlarged and its effectiveness increased. One step taken to strengthen the program was the addition of another full-time instructor, Miss Esther Becker. Miss Becker, who has had extensive experience in the field of music for nearly 35 years, will be an instructor in music.

Each new step means added responsibility so in the light of this, we are thankful to God and the liberal giving of the many friends of Berean for a total of over \$26,000.00 in contributions as we closed our fiscal year on August 31, 1960.

The State of Pennsylvania has granted us our charter thus completing the incorporation of the School during the past year.

Berean's President, Jansen E. Hartman, the faculty and staff have served very commendably and continually give themselves to the best interests and further development of the School. The fact that President Hartman has been able to devote his full time to the School has been a great help.

It has been a real joy to see our student body increasing. We thank the Lord for 23 new students which gives us a total enrollment this year of 43.

The Board has met five times this year, four regularly stated meetings and one special meeting. The various committees have met a number of times in order to carry out the responsibilities placed upon them.

The Board organized as follows:

Chairman—T. D. Gehret

Secretary-W. B. Hottel

Treasurer—A. L. Wentz

The Board elected the following committees and they organized as follows:

Committee on Finance: Chairman, F. B. Hertzog; Secretary, Byron C. Cassel; Representative to Executive Committee, A. L. Wentz, Jansen E. Hartman, Roy E. Williams.

Committee on Faculty: Chairman, C. E. Kirkwood; Secretary, Horace A. Kauffman; Representative to Executive Committee, T. D. Gehret, Jansen E. Hartman, Daniel K. Ziegler.

Committee on Promotion: Chairman, John H. Riggall; Secretary, Robert W. Gehret; Representative to Executive Committee, W. B. Hottel, Jansen E. Hartman, John M. Stengele.

Committee on By-Laws: Horace A. Kauffman and W. B. Hottel.

Committee on Resolutions: Daniel K. Ziegler and Robert W. Gehret.

Jansen E. Hartman was re-elected President of the School for the term of office from June 15, 1960 to June 15, 1961.

Berean has graduated its eighth class on Friday, May 27, 1960 at 7:45 p.m. in our Bethel Church, Allentown, Pa. Eight day students and five evening students completed their course of study and received their diplomas. This makes a total of 89 graduates in eight years.

The faculty members continue to equip themselves to serve the school better by taking additional training in the summer and winter months. This year the full time instructors are Jansen E. Hartman, Ruth A. Hartman, Donald R. Knauer, Lenora L. Knauer, Harold P. Shelly and Esther Becker. The part time instructors are Carl C. Cassel, Willard E. Cassel, and Donald T. Kirkwood.

The buildings of the School and the house of the President have been kept in good repair. God has enabled us to meet all our financial obligations. For this we want to thank Him.

The Board wishes to express its gratitude to the friends, Alumni, and entire constituency of the Bible Rellowship Church who pray earnestly, and give sacrificially that Berean Bible School may continue its ministry of training young people for Christian service.

The Board of Education recommends to the Annual Conference meeting in Ebenezer Church, Bethlehem, Pa. on Monday, October 10, 1960:

That the following procedures for meeting the needs of Berean Bible School this coming year shall be:

- 1. Proclamation of a day as Berean Bible School Day in the Sunday Schools and Churches at which time offerings shall be received in the schools and churches for the purpose of promoting interest and support of the school. Checks for these contributions shall be sent and made payable to the Berean Bible School, 1020 South Hall Street, Allentown, Pa.
- 2. A special offering shall be received at the annual Youth Rallies at each Camp Meeting.
- 3. The laymen on the Board of Education shall constitute a committee to work with all our churches to promote the advantages of training at Berean Bible School and to formulate a plan to raise \$27,500.00 needed to carry on the Berean Bible School program in the 1960-61 year. The District Superintendents shall be advisory members of the committee.

Statement A	FINAN	CIAL REP	ORT			
Assets		August 31,	1960			31, 1959
I. Current Funds:						
Cash—General Fund	\$	2,067.85 \$		\$	1,547.25	\$
Cash-Student Aid					37.00	
Cash—Memorial Fund	1	175.00			İ	
Accounts Receivable		1,308.13			2,065.73	
Inventories		1,348.29	4,899.27		1,338.08	4,988.06
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II. Loan Funds\$ III. Plant Funds: Land and Buildings 116,	\$ 30.00 \$ 30.00
Furniture & Fixtures 12,3	35.58 11,531.71 118,839.46 12.23 136,447.81 7,307.75 118,839.46
IV. Agency Funds	657.95 296.66
Total Assets	\$142,035.03 \$124,154.18
Liabilities and Net Worth I. Current Funds: Accounts Payable Accounts Payable (Blue Cross) Book Value of Current Funds:	283.67 11.27
Beginning of year 4,1 Add: Gain Transferred	5,299.00
	27.70 9,410.87
Less: Transfer to Plant Funds:	
Debt Reduction 5,000.00 Debt Mortgage1,481.27	8,400.00
New Equipment 803.87 Library Books 804.48 8,0	89.62 4,178.93 1,549.52 619.50 4,140.85
Deferred Credits: Student Aid Application Fees Tuition, Room & Board_	37.00 130.00 425.40 548.50 715.50
Total Current Funds II. Loan FundsCash III. Plant Funds:	4,899.27 30.00 4,988.05 30.00
Notes Payable	5,000.00
Notes Payable, Pres. home_ Bonds Payable Mortgage Payable, Pres. home Net Investment in Plant:	6,682.94 10,000.00 7,835.79
	88,330.44
Transferred from Current	39.46 88,270.44
See: Funds: 8,0	189.62 106,929.08 10,569.02 98,839.46
Total School FundsIV. Agency Funds	141,377.08 123,857.52 657.95 296.66
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	\$142,035.03 \$124,154.18

⁽¹⁾ Title to land and buildings is held by Bible Fellowship Church.

Statement B

Income	August 3	1,	1960		Aug	ıs	t 31, 1959
I. Educational—General: Student Fees\$ Gifts:	3	\$	6,368.00	\$		\$	6,315.00
Churches Sunday Schools Menno Youth	19,627.79 2,936.32 831.86				15,098.94 3,364.97 769.60		
General Memorial Fund	2,783.24 175.00				1,817.84 105.00		
Student Aid Fund	542.00		26,896.21	_	1,703.72		23,060.07
General—Health Fees II. Auxiliary Enterprises:			750.00				20.00
Dining Room Room Rentals	8,412.30 2,670.26				8,077.19 2,541.43		
Apartment Rental	4,075.00		15,157.56		4,650.00		15,268.62
Total School Income		- \$	49,171.77	-		\$	44,663.69
III. School Agencies		1	2,519.13			 -	2,365.31
Total Income		\$	51,690.90			\$	47,029.00
Expenses I. Educational—General:							
a. General Administration \$ b. General Expenses	6,890.32 5,356.53	\$		\$	3,693.84 4,123.95	\$	
c. Instruction	10,052.53				7,889.35		
d. Library	957.87				1,027.51		
e. Operation and Mainte- nance of plant used by							
school	4,956.50				6,176.16		
f. Student Aid	542.00		28,755.75		1,703.72		24,614.53
II. Auxiliary Enterprises: a. Dining Room	9,429.37				8,875.79		
b. Rental Property	2,858.95		12,288.32		1,762.50		10,638.29
Total Operating Expenses Gain Transferred to Statement A		\$	41,044.07 8,127.70			\$	35,252.82 9,410.87
III. School Agencies	· · · ·	\$	49,171.77 2,519.13			\$	44,663.69 2,365.31
Total Expenses and Balances		\$	51,690.90			\$	47,029.00
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W. B. Hottel, Secretary,
A. L. Wentz, Treasurer,

Daniel K. Ziegler,
Robert W. Gehret, F. B. Hertzog, Horace A. Kauffman,
C. E. Kirkwood, John M. Stengele,
Jansen E. Hartman, Roy E. Williams, John H. Riggall,

T. D. Gehret, President Byron C. Cassel, Board of Education.

XVII.—REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION COMMITTEE

Departing from the custom of holding a large Sunday School Convention at a centrally located church, this year the Sunday School Promotion Committee sponsored six regional institutes in strategically located churches throughout the Denomination. The purpose of this change was to assist the schools in facing and solving local problems. The reports received by us indicate that a larger percentage of officers and teachers were able to attend the regional institutes than a Denominational convention. The regionals were conducted by local groups without any control by this Committee. The groups were free to arrange the programs and secure the personnel to the best advantage of their area. Financial assistance was offered to, and needed by, all regions.

Realizing the need of improved facilities at most of our schools a Conference on Facilities for Christian Education in The Local Church was held in Terre Hill on December 5, 1959. A profitable day was spent in discussing problems and considering what others have done and what we can do in our own Denomination.

This year was the beginning of a SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS publication designed to promote Sunday School interest, give helpful information to Sunday School workers, report on what other schools have done and encourage the workers to promote their own class and school. Pastor Harvey Fritz of Spring City is the editor and has served commendably. The newspaper is distributed, free of charge, through the superintendents, with all expenses being paid by this Committee.

"Reaching" is the theme of our next Denominational Sunday School Convention to be held on May 20, 1961. Under the Lord's direction, a very informative and inspirational program is being arranged. Helpful instructions in reaching and teaching the individual for Christ will be presented by men and women used of God in winning of souls for Christ.

A sub-committee is exploring the interest in conducting a Denominational Sunday School Contest.

We request that the Annual Conference meeting on October 10, 1960, in the Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church, Bethlehem, Pa., approve the following recommendations in order that this Committee may continue to function efficiently.

- That all Sunday Schools receive and submit their annual offering to this Committee before April 1, 1961.
- 2. That we hold a Denominational Sunday School Convention on Saturday, May 20, 1961, in the Faith Bible Fellowship Church, York, Pa.

FINANCIAL

Receipts

Balance from Previous Year\$	721.05
Offerings from Sunday Schools	1,186.55
Refunded Honorarium	5.00

Expenditures

Editing Sunday School Publications\$	60.00
Conference on Facilities for Christian Education—Dec. 5, 1959	97.75
Six Regional Sunday School Institutes	433.61
Committee, Printing and Promotion Expenses	313.82
Total Expenses\$	905.18
Balance in Treasury 1	,007.42

\$1,912.60

James G. Koch, Chairman,
Norman L. Reed, Asst. Chairman,
Harlan Wolf, Rec. Secretary,
James R. Cressman, Fin. Sec'y,
F. B. Hertzog,
C. E. Kirkwood,

William A. Heffner, W. B. Hottel, Horace A. Kauffman, Robert W. Smock, William E. Miller, R. Glenn Rohrbach, Committee.

XVIII.—SIXTY NINTH ANNUAL MINISTERIAL CONVENTION

The Sixty Ninth Annual Ministerial Convention of the Bible Fellowship Church convened in the Salem Bible Fellowship Church, Philadelphia, Pa., Thursday, May 5th, 1960 at 9:45 A.M.

The officers were C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman, and Russell T. Allen, Secretary.

The committee on program included: C. E. Kirkwood, F. B. Hertzog, T. D. Gehret, Donald T. Kirkwood, A. L. Seifert, and John H. Riggall.

The Convention opened at 9:47 A.M. by C. E. Kirkwood leading in singing "Holy Ghost With Light Divine" after which P. T. Stengle led in prayer. The Chairman, C. E. Kirkwood, led the Convention in reading Acts 20:24-38 and spoke briefly on the passage. After this praise in prayer was wont to be made and the devotional period closed with the singing of the "Sands of Time."

The Chairman appointed the following:

- Committee on Resolutions—R. H. Gehman, R. C. Reichenbach, John Dunn.
- Committee on Reading the Minutes—Donald B. Schaeffer, Robert W. Smock.
- Committee on Publication—Ernest B. Hartman, James G. Koch, Earl M. Hosler.
- 4. Time Keeper—Robert F. Johnson.

A Panel was held entitled "The Biblical Concept of the Church". The moderator was C. E. Kirkwood and each panelist was allowed to speak 15 minutes each after which questions from the floor were made and answered by the panel. The panel and their topics:

"The Authority of the Church"—Frank L. Herb, Jr.

"The Mission of the Church"—W. B. Hottel

"The Doctrinal Emphases of the Church"-Carl C. Cassel

The roll was called with all the Pastors and the Church Extension Ministers present except Paul E. Baer and W. F. Heffner.

The business of the Convention was taken care of and the morning session was closed in prayer by F. B. Hertzog.

Afternoon Session

The afternoon meeting was opened at 2 P.M. with the singing of "Fairest Lord Jesus" and prayer was offered by William A. Heffner.

The committees gave the following reports:

Committee to read the Minutes—We have read the minutes of last year's Ministerial Convention and have found them correct to the best of our knowledge.

Donald B. Schaeffer, Robert W. Smock, Committee

Committee on Publication—We, the Committee on Publication, recommend that the three prepared papers which were read respectively this morning dealing with the subjects of the Authority, Mission, and Doctrines of the Church, be submitted to David E. Thomann, Editor of the Bible Fellowship edition of the Gospel Herald, to be inserted as he deems advisable. A report also of the 69th Annual Ministerial Convention will appear in the same paper.

Ernest B. Hartman, James G. Koch, Earl M. Hosler, Committee

Committee on Resolutions-

Whereas, the Lord has graciously watched over, preserved and enabled our District Superintendents, Pastors, Church Extension Ministers with their Director and two of our retired Ministers (F. M. Hottel and A. G. Woodring) to be present; therefore,

Resolved, that we thank Our God for His Faithfulness and continue to seek His Face and covet His Hand of Divine blessing upon our service for His Glory.

Whereas, The Pastor and members of the Salem Bible Fellowship Church have so kindly entertained the 69th Annual Ministerial Convention taking care of our temporal needs, therefore,

Resolved, That we extend to them our heartfelt thanks for their Christian love, and further,

Resolved, That we express our appreciation by a rising vote of thanks in the Evening Service.

R. H. Gehman, R. C. Reichenbach, John Dunn, Committee

After this business was disposed of the Pastor's Quartet sang and R. E. Thompson of Detroit, Michigan, gave a very informative and inspiring addess entitled "The Pastor's Relationship to His Congregation."

An informal discussion was held, after which Rev. J. E. Hartman closed in prayer.

Evening Service

The Evening Service was opened by LeRoy S. Heller leading the singing of "The Son Of God Goes Forth To War." The Chairman, C. E. Kirkwood, directed us to stand for silent prayer, after which T. D. Gehret led in prayer.

The Pastors' wives, who were attending their First Annual Bible Fellowship Church Ministers' Wives Convention at Calvary Bible Fellowship Church, Philadelphia, were invited to attend this meeting and sit with their husbands.

The Pastor's Quartet rendered a fine number in song as did Carl C. Cassel who sang a solo. R. E. Thompson gave a very excellent and searching message aimed specifically for the occasion and God spoke to hearts.

The meeting was closed in prayer at 8:15 P.M. by the host Pastor, Donald T. Kirkwood.

C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman Russell T. Allen, Secretary

XIX.—REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER

(a) Board of Directors

Receipts

October 6, 1959, Balance in Treasury\$ Received during the year		\$ 38,857.31
Expenditures		
Expended during the year\$ October 4, 1960, Balance in Treasury		\$ 38,857.31
The Board of Directors has the following funds: Dormitory Fund\$	755.00	
Newark Special Aid	2,267.81 1,152.50	\$ 4,175.31
(b) Ministers Moving Fund		
Receipts		
October 6, 1959, Balance in Treasury\$ Received during the year		\$ 3,201.98
Expenditures		
Expended during the year\$ October 4, 1960, Balance in Treasury	3,053.58 148.40	\$ 3,201.98
(c) Ministers Retirement Fund		
Receipts		
October 6, 1959, Balance in Treasury\$ Received during the year		\$ 24,821.26
Expenditures		
Expended during the year\$ October 4, 1960, Balance in Treasury		\$ 24,821.26

(d) District Superintendent Homes

Expenditures

October 6, 1959, Deficit in TreasuryExpended during the year		2,164.62 1,509.10	\$	3,673.72
Receipts				
Received during the yearOctober 4, 1960, Deficit in Treasury		1,424.78 2,248.94	\$	3,673.72
(e) Foreign Missions				
Receipts				
October 6, 1959, Balance in TreasuryReceived during the year			\$1	25,387.86
Expenditures				
Expended during the year	.\$	91,580.89		
October 4, 1960, Balance in Treasury			\$1	25,387.86
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(f) The Home				
Receipts				
September 15, 1959, Balance in Treasury			Φ	79,799.08
Received during the year	_	10,303.32	ф	13,133.00
Expenditures				
Expended during the year	\$	77,252.52		
September 14, 1960, Balance in Treasury	-	2,546.56	\$	79,799.08
(g) Publication & Printing				
Receipts				
October 6, 1959, Balance in Treasury				2 450 50
Received during the year		1,894.06	\$	2,458.73
Expenditures				
Expended during the year				
October 4, 1960, Balance in Treasury	-	119.98	\$	2,458.73
(h) Home Missions	-			
Receipts				
October 6, 1959, Balance in Treasury				
Received during the year	-	45,107.64	\$	53,914.90
Expenditures	_			
Expended during the year				
October 4, 1960, Balance in Treasury		1,604.23	\$	53,914.90
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(i) Victory Valley

Expenditures

October 6, 1959, Deficit in Treasury\$	$10,\!126.06$	
Expended during the year	5,882.35	\$ 16,008.41
Receipts		
Received during the year\$	14,858.61	
October 4, 1960, Deficit in Treasury		\$ 16,008.41
(j) Sunday School Promotion Commit	ttee	
Receipts		
Balance from previous year\$	721.05	
Received during the year	1,341.55	\$ 2,062.60
Expenditures		
Expended during the year\$	1,055.18	
October 4, 1960, Balance in Treasury	1,007.42	\$ 2,062.60

Paul I. Wentz, Treasurer.

XX.—ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 1961 (a) Ministerial Convention

The Ministerial Convention is announced to be held at the Victory Valley Camp, Zionsville, R. D. on May 1, and 2, 1961. Officers: John E. Golla, Chairman; John Dunn, Secretary.

(b) Sunday School Convention

The Sunday School Convention is announced to be held at the Faith Bible Fellowship Church, York, Pa., Saturday, May 20, 1961.

(c) Camp Meetings

Bethlehem District

The Churches of the Bethlehem District and the Missions located at Trenton, N. J., Finesville, N. J., Roxborough, Miller Heights and Macungie shall comprise this Camp Meeting to be held in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., July 1, to July 9th, 1961. Officers: T. D. Gehret, Chairman; D. E. Thomann, Secretary; Donald T. Kirkwood, Treasurer.

Allentown District

The Churches of the Allentown District and the Missions located at Millersville, Paradise, Binghamton, N. Y., Denville, N. J., Jersey City, N. J., shall comprise this Camp Meeting to be held in Mizpah Grove, Allentown, Pa., July 15 to 23, 1961. Officers: A. L. Seifert, Chairman; N. H. Wolf, Secretary; P. T. Stengele, Treasurer.

(d) Annual Youth Retreat

The Thirteenth Annual Youth Retreat to be held at Victory Valley Camp on September 1, 2, and 3, 1961.

(e) Summer Camps at Victory Valley

The first Camp will begin July 8, 1961 and successive camps will be held till August 26, 1961.

(f) Annual Conference

(Adjourned Session of Annual Conference April 8, 1961 at 9 A.M. in the Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church, Bethlehem, Pa.)

The Seventy-eighth Annual Conference shall convene in the Bethel Bible Fellowship Church, Allentown, Monday, October 9, 1961 at 9:00 A.M.



Parsonage and Parish House, Wallingford, Pa.

XXI REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Appointments	Foreign Missions	Foreign Missions in S. S.	Church Extension	Church Extension in S. S.	Publication and Printing	For the Home	Conference Expense	Total			
	ALLEN	TOWN DIS	TRICT - F	B. HER	rzog, d	. S.					
Allentown (Bethel) Reading Sunbury York Hatfield	\$13,386.09 1,773.45 900.00 993.75 3,953.20	3,120.09 829.20 1,095.95 284.02	1,501.45 700.00 832.50 $1,706.82$	374.01 302.00 337.66 284.03	23.50 25.00 16.00 15.27	58.00 36.00 46.00 75.00	55.05 28.35 26.55 22.50	6,905.55 2,820.55 3,348.41 6,340.84			
Shamokin Harrisburg Mt. Carmel Royersford Spring City	455.17 557.45 921.00 1,262.00 320.46	445.71 356.08 1,164.00 1,088.29 1,017.93		445.71 300.06	5.55 13.14 8.26 28.05 7.92	22.42 50.35 40.00 22.30 22.18	22.05 17.85 19.35 9.60 10.20	1,556.11 1,539.93 3,042.61 3,487.24 1,749.69			
Nazareth Catasauqua (North.) Graterford Harleysville Walnutport	950.00 230.00 520.50 645.00 254.50	375.00 225.00 170.47 126.76 114.50	407.00 234.00 401.50 731.36 185.85	246.00 137.00 75.75 100.00 57.25	7.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.45	27.00 10.00 15.37 15.37 19.26	10.50 5.40 5.40 7.80 8.85	2,022.50 846.40 1,193.99 1,631.29 645.66			
Lehighton Lebanon Stroudsburg Lancaster TOTAL	$ \begin{array}{r} 182.00 \\ 334.50 \\ 103.60 \\ 162.00 \\ \hline \$27.904.67 \end{array} $	136.50 220.17 138.00 140.00 \$14.043.61	$ \begin{array}{r} 143.00 \\ 297.00 \\ 119.60 \\ 184.50 \\ \hline \$15.356.16 \end{array} $	169.33 196.62 138.00 124.63 \$ 5.939.84	5.00 16.50 4.00 4.15 \$229.79	15.00 27.00 5.10 15.00 8 600.74	9.00 8.25 7.05 7.05 8363.90	659.83 1,100.04 515.35 637.33 \$ 64,438.71			
TOTAL \$27,904.67 \$14,043.61 \$15,356.16 \$ 5,939.84 \$229.79 \$ 600.74 \$363.90 \$ 64,438.71 BETHLEHEM DISTRICT - C. E. KIRKWOOD, D. S.											
Bethlehem	\$ 5,441.00						\$ 56.25	\$ 13,022.83			
Emmaus Philadelphia (Salem) Quakertown Easton	1,334.05 2,581.05 1,000.00 2,318.12	449.51 468.05 1,000.00 440.72	1,262.05 1,773.38 1,000.00 1,414.50	355.74 94.52 870.00	23.04 15.00 15.00 21.00	93.29 20.00 40.00 97.39	28.80 24.75 24.15 21.00	3,546.48 4,976.75 3,949.15 4,312.73			
Fleetwood Wallingford (Chester) Coopersburg Terre Hill Allentown (Salem)	2,350.00 1,061.00 1,331.00 1,091.00 227.00	600.00 387.69 580.10 511.88 305.50	1,825.00 737.00 455.25 987.00 186.00	387.69 141.06 396.09 305.50	15.00 13.00 8.00 8.00 7.03	80.00 50.00 52.80 31.00 30.00	21.15 19.35 18.45 15.15 14.55	4,891.15 2,655.73 2,586.66 3,040.12 1,075.58			
Phila. (Calvary) Blandon Scranton Phila. (Emmanuel) Staten Island, N. Y. Zionsville	710.57 290.00 478.00 289.06 328.00 906.50	299.87 729.27 214.49 475.41 50.89 396.77	$\begin{array}{c} 50.00 \\ 250.00 \\ 437.81 \\ 171.50 \\ 107.00 \\ 466.00 \end{array}$	214.49 172.55 29.76	6.33 4.00 11.00 11.85 5.00 6.30	25.63 20.00 13.86 16.10 10.84 14.27	11.40 12.15 10.95 8.25 6.60 6.60	1,253.73 1,305.42 1,380.60 1,144.72 538.09 1,796.44			
TOTAL	\$21,736.35	\$10,511.97	\$14,411.19	\$ 3,473.39	\$205.55	\$ 838.18	\$299.55	\$ 51,476.18			
	EXTENSI		TMENT -	WILLIAM	A. HE	FFNER, I	Director				
Binghamton, N. Y. Denville, N. J. Finesville, N. J. Jersey C'ty, N. J. Miller Heights, Pa.	\$ 560.00 21.10 157.27	106.90 191.14 140.39 251.78						\$ 680.53 106.90 212.24 297.66 251.78			
Millersville, Pa. Paradise, Pa. Phila. (Roxborough) Trenton, N. J. TOTAL	80.19 70.00	297.12 351.07 78.89 245.45				\$ 18.00		377.31 369.07 148.89 245.45			
GRAND TOTAL .	\$ <u>50,</u> 529.58	\$ 1,783.27 \$26,338.85 \$ 2,369.88	\$29,767.35	\$ 9,413.23	\$435.34		\$663.45	\$ 2,689.83 \$118,604.72			
Decrease	Ψ 541.78	Ψ 4,009.08	φ 1,010.00	φ 1,545.92	\$ 71.47	φ 127.05	φ 2.79	\$ 5,305.35			

Paul I. Wentz Byron C. Cassel S. A. Hackman Roy E. Williams Committee

			Min	iste	rs a	nd	Offi	cers	;	Membership						
Appointments	Pastor	Dist. Supts.	Ordained Ministers	Probationers	L. C. Lic. Min. and Evangelists	Deacons	Class Leaders	Stewards	Parsonage or Bldg. Fund Collectors	Baptized	Members Not Baptized	Children Dedicated	Received into Church Fellowship	Received by Trans. from B. F. Churches	Total Increase	
	ALLENTOWN DI	STRI	CT ·	- F.	В.	HEF	RTZC	OG,	D. S							
York Hatfield Shamokin Harrisburg Mt. Carmel Royersford Spring City Nazareth Catasauqua (North.) Graterford Harleysville Walnutport Lehighton Lebanon Stroudsburg	Walter H. Frank P. T. Stengele N. H. Wolf James G. Koch A. L. Seifert R. C. Reichenbach Frank L. Herb, Jr. W. B. Hottel Richard H. Kline Harvey J. Fritz, Jr. John E. Golla John E. Golla James A. Beil James A. Beil John Dunn Bert N. Brosius W. F. Heffner George E. Herb R. H. Gehman TOTAL			1 1 1 1		8	4 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	44 32 22 22 11 12 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11	3 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	10 6 3 9 8 4 2 10 6 5 1 1 3 73		17 10 6 5 4 1 2 1 3 2 2 1 1 4 4 2 2 1 1 6 6 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	27 14 6 14 2 2 7 3 3 4 2 2 92	2 3 3 	27 14 8 14 2 2 3 3 3 	
	BETHLEHEM DIS	TRIC	CT -	C.	E. F	CIRK	WO	OD,	D. S	S.						
Staten Island, N. Y	W. W. Hartman Earl M. Hosler Donald T. Kirkwood David E. Thomann Willard E. Cassel T. D. Gehret John H. Riggall Carl C. Cassel Aobert W. Smock Donald B. Schaeffer LeRoy S. Heller E. W. Bean Robert F. Jchnson Russell T. Allen	1	1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	i i	1		1 1 2 2 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1	222221111111111111111111111111111111111	16 6 10 12 7 2 11 5 1	1 3 2	11 1 2 5 4 1 4 3 6 1	9951113844411	3 4 3 2 2 1 1 4 1	30 4 3 111 9 7 111 4 8 8 8 5 1	
Zionsville Church Ext. Dept Missionaries	E. B. Hartman TOTAL GRAND TOTAL			10	1		26 6 59	27 10	27 9	$ \begin{array}{ c c } \hline 1\\ \hline 71\\ \hline 5\\ \hline \hline 149 \end{array} $	8	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 40 \\ 8 \\ 114 \end{bmatrix}$	81 36	24 13	105	

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XXII PASTOR'S SUMMARY STATISTICAL REPORT

				1	Nem	bers	ship				F	Pastors	s' Ac	tiviti	es		S.	S.	-
Appointments	Died	Withdrawn	Dropped	Transferred to Other Churches	Transferred to B. F. Churches	Total Decrease	Net Increase	Net Decrease	Total Membership	Appointments	Sermons Preached	Pastoral Visits	Prayer Meetings Visited	Sunday Schools Visited	Prayer Meeting Classes	B. F. Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers Enrolled	Scholars Enrolled	Total
			AI	LEN			DIS	ГRIС	T – F	г. В.	HER	RTZOG,	, D. S	;.					
Allentown (Bethel) Reading Sunbury York Hatfield	1	5	1 4	10 2 3	2 3	4 8 8	7		369 189 177 157	1 1 1 1 1	148 252 167	395 1110 440 299	75 75 48 40	45 52 47 47	2 2 1 1	1	56 35 32 31	404 308 331 259	3 3 3
Shamokin Harrisburg Mt. Carmel Royersford Spring City	1	1	3	1	-		2	4	118 125 66 68		182 153 137 150	441 295 571	48 46 43	47 48 50	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1\\1\\1\end{bmatrix}$	1 1 1 1	17 21 16	190 115 108 120	2 1 1 1 1
Nazareth Catasauqua (North.) Graterford Harleysville Walnutport	1		6	1 3 3		2 3 9			70 36 41 53 50	1 1 1 1 1	68 69 67 165	210 159 164 468	39 35 35 43	3 3 49	1 1 1	1 1 1 1	16 18 16 17	83 92 85 93	1 1 1
Lehighton Lebanon Stroudsburg Lancaster	1		2	4 2		5 6 2 121	4 1	4	60 59 43 48	1 1	95	205 257 475	45 50 47	49 46 51 50	1 1 1		19 12 18	107 90 112	1 1 1
TOTAL	10	10		!								7198 WOOD			22	19	511	3599	41
Bethlehem	6		1	6			5	Ī ī	380	1	218	682	70	50		1	62		
Emmaus Philadelphia (Salem) Ouakertown Easton	1 1 3			2	1 1	18		3 13 18	$ \begin{bmatrix} 190 \\ 162 \\ 148 \\ 122 \end{bmatrix} $	1 1 1 1	117 70 70 75	424 349 360 267	32 60	45 48 50	1 1 1		26 27 32	133 212	1 2 1
Fleetwood Wallingford (Chester) Coopersburg Terre Hill Allentown (Salem)	1 2		4 4 8 2 2	2 2 1	4	6	3	5	144 132 118 107 95	1 1 1 1 1	120 135 80 150 130	400 380 251 400 355	44 39 48 50	49 49 48 50 49	1 1 1 1		30 39 24 31 15	240 250 119 208 125	1 2 1
Phila. (Calvary)	1 1 1	12	2 2 3 1	3 3 3		16 4 6 2 3	4	1 1 3	68 85 72 54 41 48	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	146 92 144 184 70 87	342 362 521 439 128 223	47 45 44 47	48 50 50 49 43 50	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1 1	19 21 20 18 13 14	93 183 92 90 60 94	1 1
TOTAL	18			29	28	137	-	56	1966		1888			30 776			Accessory.	2757	-
Church Exten'n Dept. Missionaries Dist. Supts.	1	4	4	4	5	18	37	6	249 27	10	1273 425	3361	428	471	10	10	123	623	7
CRAND TOTAL	201	001	001	COL	471	OTTOL	001	TOOL	LOFOIS	1 12	FOTOI	104401	20071	10701	~11	1 421	LOPOL	COMO	100

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GRAND TOTAL

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Appointments	Total Average Attendance	Home Dept.	Cradle Roll Members	Subscriptions to Gospel Herald	Churches	Parsonages	Increase of Church Property	Present Valuation of Property

ALLENTOWN DISTRICT – F. B. HERTZOG, D. S.

Allentown (Bethel)	649 4	60	1	1	1	\$ 15,000.00 \$	215,000.00
Reading	354	30	21	1	1		200,000.00
Sunbury	241 18	34	16	1	1	7,000.00	52,000.00
York	230	15	26	1	1		90,000.00
Hatfield	216 36	25	16	1	1		105,000.00
Shamokin	184	15	15	11	1		52,000.00
Harrisburg	138	10	14	1	1		90,000.00
Mt. Carmel	104	8	18	1	1		25,000.00
Royersford	109 39	17	16	1	1	26,000.00	56,000.00
Spring City	105 4	10	6	1	1		15,000.00
Nazareth	88	81		11	1		24,000.00
Catasauqua (North.)	79	9		1	1	13,000.00	32,000.00
Graterford	91 6	11	13	1	1		20,000,00
Harleysville	78	6	15	11			15,000.00
Walnutport	82 4	9	2	1	1		13,000.00
Lehighton	80	21	6	1	1		18,000.00
Lebanon	110		6	1	1		22,000.00
Stroudsburg	76		7	1	1		20,000.00
Lancaster	102 7	12	8	1	1		40,000.00
TOTAL	3116 118	300	205	19	18	\$ 61,000.00 \$	$\overline{1,1}04,000.0\overline{0}$

BETHLEHEM DISTRICT - C. E. KIRKWOOD, D. S.

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Bethlehem	375	10	15	21	1	1		125,000.00
Emmaus	221	6	12	12	1	1		84,000.00
Philadelphia (Salem)	112			Ì	1	1		75,000.00
Quakertown	178		15	1	1	1	\$ 3,000.00	63,000.00
Easton	137	4	25	11	1	1		85,000.00
Fleetwood	237	9	47	18	1	1		100,000.00
Wallingford (Chester)	220		5	11		1	3,000.00	60,000.00
Coopersburg	123	8	15	19	1	1	3,000.00	50,000.00
Terre Hill	173	26	130	16	1	1		60,000.00
Allentown (Salem)	116	9	14		1	1		30,000.00
Phila, (Calvary)	97		10	2	1	1		70,000.00
Blandon	164		13	15	1	1	10,000.00	37,000.00
Scranton	91		19	1	1	1		23,000.00
Phila. (Emmanuel)	81		.3	4	1	1		53,500.00
Staten Island, N. Y	57	3	3	[1	1		40,000.00
Zionsville	79		7	4	1	1	12,500.00	20,500.00
TOTAL	2461	75	333	133	15	16	31,500.00	976,000.00
District. Sup'ts.				1				40,609.66
Church Exten'n Dept,	557	13	44	54	9	4	24,500.00	177,000.00
Home for the Aging		10		19.2		-	15,198.14	157,727.73
Camp Properties							20,200.22	157,607.91
Berean Bible School								116,000.00
GRAND TOTAL	6134	206	677	392	$\overline{43}$	38	\$132,198.14	2.728,945.30

				OFFE	RINGS			
Appointments	Foreign Missions	Foreign Missions in S. S.	Home Missions	Home Missions in S. S.	For B. F. Church Home	Church Extension	General Offerings	Parsonage or Building Fund
	ALL	ENTOWN I	DISTRICT -	F. B. HE	ERTZOG,	D. S.		
Allentown (Bethel) Reading Sunbury York Hatfield Shamokin Harrisburg	$ \begin{array}{r} 993.75 \\ 3,953.20 \\ \hline 455.17 \\ 557.45 \end{array} $	3,120.09 829.20 1,095.95 284.02 445.71 356.08	\$ 5,169.08 1,501.45 700.00 832.50 1,706.82 159.50 245.00	$\begin{array}{c} \$ & 2,651.79 \\ 374.01 \\ 302.00 \\ 337.66 \\ 284.03 \\ 445.71 \\ 300.06 \end{array}$	58.00 36.00 46.00 75.00 22.42 50.35		\$ 15,309.90 5,343.59 4,758.50 3,313.85 5,677.13 1,460.87 2,737.97	\$21,283.4 1,339.0 1,264.7 1,918.7 1,668.3 968.1 759.7
Mt. Carmel Royersford Spring City	921.00 1,262.00 320.46	1,164.00 1,088.29 1,017.93	890.00 1,077.00		40.00 22.30 22.18		1,404.45 2,878.73 1,581.91	793.00 810.9 849.0
Nazareth Catasauqua (North.) Graterford Harleysville Walnutport	520.50	375.00 225.00 170.47 126.76 114.50	407.00 234.00 401.50 731.36 185.85	$\begin{array}{c} 246.00 \\ 137.00 \\ 75.75 \\ 100.00 \\ 57.25 \end{array}$	27.00 10.00 15.37 15.37 19.26		3,064.49 2,281.21 1,240.50 1,006.65 773.50	1,038.7 685.0 379.5 462.4 590.5
Lehighton Lebanon Stroudsburg Lancaster	103.60 162.00	136.50 220.17 138.00 140.00	143.00 297.00 119.60 184.50	169.33 196.62 138.00 124.63	$27.00 \ 5.10 \ 15.00$		1,120.51 1,519.70 1,418.95 1,392.04	415.00 583.00 260.00 1,575.50
TOTAL	\$27,904.67						\$ 58,284.45	\$37,644.94
	BETH	LEHEM DI	STRICT -	C. E. KIR	KWOOD,	D. S.		
Bethlehem Emmaus Philadelphia (Salem) Quakertown Easton	1,334.05 2,581.05 1,000.00 2,318.12	\$ 3,601.82 449.51 468.05 1,000.00 440.72	1,262.05 1,773.38 1,000.00	356.06 355.74 94.52 870.00	\$ 243.00 93.29 20.00 40.00 97.39	\$ 750.00 1,823.70 3,440.00	3,348.22 1,094.78 4,020.53 2,528.93	\$ 4,767.90 1,910.90 3,677.60 701.31 921.01
Fleetwood Wallingford (Chester) Coopersburg Terre Hill Allentown (Salem)	2,350.00 1,061.00 1,331.00 1,091.00 227.00	600.00 387.69 580.10 511.88 305.50	1,825.00 737.00 455.25 987.00 186.00	387.69 141.06 396.09 305.50	80.00 50.00 52.80 31.00 30.00	14,702.86	5,773.00 3,176.77 3,129.87 2,715.50 2,068.75	1,677.8 2,297.4 881.8 2,594.2 603.5
Phila. (Calvary) Blandon Scranton Phila. (Emmanuel) Staten Island, N. Y. Zionsville	710.57 290.00 478.00 289.06 328.00 906.50	$\begin{array}{c} 299.87 \\ 729.27 \\ 214.49 \\ 475.41 \\ 50.89 \\ 396.77 \end{array}$		149.93 214.49 172.55 29.76	25.63 20.00 13.86 16.10 10.84 14.27	289.27	2,145.08 2,076.93 2,072.54 2,372.16 1,099.18 1,164.83	666.8 1,389.0 748.0 438.7 617.3 665.2
TOTAL	888.56				18.00		\$_45,005.53 13,698.26 \$116,988.24	4,239.3

				OFFERINGS						
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Appointments	Sunday Schools	District Superintendents	District Superintendents' Parsonages	Ministers in Cash	Ministers in Other Contributions	Ministers' Retirement Fund	Offerings for Missionary or Evangelistic Work			
ALLENTOWN DISTRICT - F. B. HERTZOG, D. S.										
Allentown (Bethel) Reading Sunbury York Hatfield	\$ 6,147.28 3,254.49 3,476.00 1,626.92 2,666.20	\$ 1,096.82 745.84 567.00 525.00 438.04	110.00 39.00 18.00	\$ 7,275.52 5,140.65 3,378.50 3,660.88 4,451.00	\$ 1,000.00 510.00 509.10 541.24 349.26	\$ 160.65 268.00 189.50 106.20 223.11	\$15,228.43 1,310.00 879.46 1,890.47 3,121.43			
Shamokin Harrisburg Mt. Carmel Royersford Spring City	1,619.07 1,447.59 1,311.56 3,995.21 1,878.48	282.70 359.31 465.00 392.00 351.42	27.05 36.29 40.00 44.00 13.53	3,035.75 3,777.27 3,973.00 3,527.50 3,775.93	235.85 1,127.40 634.96 811.50 500.00	47.17 204.65 38.30 123.74 114.00	36.59 521.47 582.80 1,149.11 947.69			
Nazareth Catasauqua (North.) Graterford Harleysville Walnutport	1,574.14 596.15 1,079.73 1,957.22 583.89	210.69 184.23 183.46 177.40 195.00	20.00 15.00 17.65 27.00 11.50	2,402.75 2,073.00 1,447.00 2,499.00 2,452.98	394.00 210.00 200.00 275.00 309.66	86.00 33.85 90.00 73.00 27.65	310.00 165.00 291.44 184.25 325.75			
Lehighton Lebanon Stroudsburg Lancaster	920.08 746.11 991.59 847.50	215.25 233.00 157.50 210.76	17.89 30.00 15.50 19.00	2.377.00 2,688.52 1,649.60 3,320.75	325.00 429.00 290.00 215.00	45.03 96.58 29.00 32.00	33.55 260.43 309.47 140.90			
TOTAL	\$36,719.21	\$ 6,990.42	\$ 674.98	\$ 62,906.60	\$ 8,866.97	\$ 1,988.43	\$27,688.24			
	BETHLEHE	M DISTRI	CT – C. 1	E. KIRKWOO	DD, D. S.					
Bethlehem Emmaus Philadelphia (Salem) Quakertown Easton	\$ 4,511.49 3,999.64 1,594.80 2,638.49 3,273.46	850.84 524.56 477.00 566.89	76.52 100.00 50.00	5,222.50	\$ 594.00 1,113.89 345.00 300.00 474.50	\$ 199.84 233.50 155.60 206.00 140.00	234.78 445.00 314.39			
Fleetwood Wallingford (Chester) Coopersburg Terre Hill Allentown (Salem)	3,398.85 3,463.57 1,107.47 3,039.29 1,314.18	534.00 618.65 410.06 510.00 302.17	41.80 53.00 33.15	3,452.75	431.00 322.00 350.00 500.00 165.00	69.00	510.32 200.00 872.21			
Phila. (Calvary) Blandon Scranton Phila. (Emmanuel) Staten Island, N. Y. Zionsville	816.47 972.13 913.22 1,030.56 624.17 572.53	225.51 317.00 260.00 230.52 140.00 175.97	22.22 19.55 10.00	2,868.25 3,171.39 3,264.25 2,162.81 2,400.98 1,589.30	247.00 385.00 338.55 259.25 147.00 200.00		147.83 42.64 331.66			
TOTAL Church Exten'n Dept GRAND TOTAL	\$33,270.32 5,550.53	$\frac{$7,297.46}{1,120.46}$	\$ 787.88	\$ 62,006.11 10,799.73 \$135,712.44	$\begin{bmatrix} \$ & 6,172.19 \\ 2,679.47 \end{bmatrix}$	\$ 1,828.09	$ \$10,675.6\overline{4} $ 1,544.19			

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				OF	FERINGS				
Appointments	Beneficiary Fund	Sunday School Conventions	Received for Reduction of Church Property Indebtedness	Repairing Church Property	Berean Bible School	For Publication and Printing	Benevolent Society	Relief and Rescue Work	Youth Fellowship
	ALL	ENTOW	N DISTRIC	CT - F. B.		-			
Allentown (Bethel) Reading Sunbury York Hatfield Shamokin	\$ 60.00 84.83 50.00 17.00 34.22 6.05	$$104.01 \\ 25.00 \\ 30.56 \\ 25.00 \\ 30.00$	2,760.66	\$ 640.48	\$ 2,211.83 540.00 398.00 	\$ 30.00 23.50 25.00 16.00 15.27 5.55	3.00	\$ 65.00 555.00	\$ 392.47 87.28 232.02 104.38 107.01 165.49
Harrisburg Mt. Carmel Royersford Spring City	16.00 11.25 34.00 25.58 15.00	32.48 22.17 48.45 30.36	1,170.48 5,679.60		145.72 517.14 1,112.00 202.00 293.79	13.14 8.26 28.05 7.92 7.00	4.50 3.00	92.76 10.00	136.32 58.77 371.89 44.35
Nazareth Catasauqua (North.) Graterford Harleysville Walnutport	10.00 26.45 25.00 10.70	21.62 23.39	1,068.09 955.39 335.33	629.41	178.22 360.29 160.75	5.00 5.00 5.00 5.45	2.50 1.50		42.51 16.12 16.12
Lehighton Lebanon Stroudsburg Lancaster TOTAL	7.00 8.67	$\frac{16.31}{17.58}$	847.02 \$33,271.89	545.00 200.00	112.91 161.75 53.01 356.30	5.00 16.50 4.00 4.15			70.72
101AL								Φ 190.10	\$2,214.10
	BETH	LEHEM	DISTRICT	– C, E.	KIRKWOO	D, D. S			
Bethlehem Emmaus Philadelphia (Salem) Ouakertown Easton	\$ 35.00 60.00 25.00 35.00 21.00	73.71 25.54 25.00	\$ 1,506.88 1,462.70		4,463.29 828.50 962.50 546.04	23.04 15.00 15.00 21.00	8.50	116.20 85.37	111.70 93.69 291.48
Fleetwood Wallingford(Chester) Coopersburg Terre Hill Allentown (Salem)	56.00 20.00 22.00 15.50 10.00	40.00 25.00 18.81 45.00 20.00	3,458.00 1,051.04	\$ 842.40 940.19	1,190.00 327.04 341.67 1,124.50 109.00	15.00 13.00 8.00 8.00 7.03	4.50		129.90 92.50 112.30 209.05 84.05
Phila. (Calvary) Blandon Scranton Phila. (Emmanuel) Staten Island, N. Y. Zionsville	7.00 15.00 19.27 16.70 5.00 16.22	25.90 12.00 20.12 10.69 11.90	2,049.51 1,376.90 540.76	448.11	276.30 32.00 237.42 327.04 93.63 105.13	6.33 4.00 11.00 11.85 5.00 6.30	1.50		$\begin{array}{c} 22.80 \\ 81.86 \\ 12.28 \\ 73.71 \end{array}$
TOTAL			\$13,598.58						
Church Exten'n Dept. GRAND TOTAL	\$854.32	85.49 \$960.92	1,655.27 \$48,525.74	1,183.63 \$ 6,713.58		\$435.34			
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GRAND TOTAL

XXII PASTOR'S SUMMARY STATISTICAL REPORT

				OFFE	RINGS			
Appointments	Women's Missionary Society	Women's Missionary Society (Materials Donated)	Men's Fellowship	Child Evangelism	Annual Conference Entertainment Fund	Annual Conference Delegate Fund	Victory Valley	Total Offerings
	ALLEN'		STRICT -	- F. B. H		, D. S.		
Allentown (Bethel) Reading Sunbury York Hatfield Shamokin	\$ 2,113.25 778.59 268.98 268.66 628.14 358.45			279.03	$\begin{array}{r} 55.05 \\ 28.35 \\ 26.55 \\ 22.50 \\ 22.05 \end{array}$	$\frac{45.00}{78.75}$		\$104,451.50 38,359.61 19,104.36 20,209.77 29,833.71 10,796.50
Harrisburg Mt. Carmel Royersford Spring City	255.97 293.22 194.75 181.48			116.62 127.36	_ 10.20	82.76 34.21 46.00 78.08	48.12 40.00 84.39 32.47	18,064.96 14,559.54 25,036.46 13,591.27
Nazareth Catasauqua (North.) Graterford Harleysville Walnutport	169.29 169.29 48.64	100.00		59.82 25.10 123.46	10.50 5.40 5.40 7.80 8.85		5.50 25.25 30.21	11,836.47 9,336.22 7,785.91 10,001.63 7,269.24
Lehighton Lebanon Stroudsburg Lancaster	194.99 141.31 ——128.81			17.29 15.00	9.00 8.25 7.05 7.05	25.20 90.00 60.00 40.00	51.00 11.24 25.52	6,329.52 10,176.40
TOTAL				(\$1,292.79) C. E. KII			\$ 5,909.35	\$372,664.40
Bethlehem		\$3,107.00 306.54 50.00 25.00	\$ 189.21	\$ 210.33 249.99	\$ 56.25 28.80 24.75 24.15	\$ 122.00 211.00 50.00 50.00	\$ 247.08 6,147.96 110.25 50.00	34,266.55 20,972.71
Fleetwood Wallingford (Chester) Coopersburg Terre Hill Allentown (Salem)	234.60 243.19 213.09 75.35	100.00		227.00 443.85 138.42	21.15 19.35 18.45 15.15 14.55	100.00 59.61	43.00	
Phila. (Calvary) Blandon Scranton Phila. (Emmanuel) Staten Island, N. Y. Zionsville	138.60 68.81 154.81 234.24 20.08 138.50	116.00 88.78 223.70 9.00	128.85 36.42	188.50 102.63 18.46 70.00	12.15 10.95 8.25 6.60 6.60	37.74 24.00 50.00 20.62	20.00 17.94 12.40 22.23	5,828.26 7,686.11
Church Exten'n Dept Mizpah Grove	429.09	294.48		772.63			100.74	

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XXIII		Mi	n. &	Off.						Me	embe	rshi	Р					
Church Extens Department Mission Sunday So	Mission Sunday Schools				Baptized	Members Not Baptized	Dedicated Received Into	Church Fellowship Rec'd by Transfer B. F. Churches	Total Increase	Died	Withdrawn	Dropped	Transferred to Other Churches	B. F. Churches	Total Decrease	Net Increase	Net Decrease	Total Membership
CH	URCH E	XTE	NSIC	N DE	PAR	ГМЕЛ	T -	WILL	AM	А. Н	EFF	NER	, Di	rect	or			
Jersey City, N. J. Macungie R. R. J. E Miller Heights R. G. Millersville R. G. Paradise R. E. Phila. (Roxboro) Trenton, N. J. L. K. G.	Mahurin Cassel Ruth Intler Dotts McIntyre in Sandt Overpeck	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		4 8	1	2 2 7 2 22 2 9 3 3 3 13	31 2 31 49 1	1	4 4	3 4	2	2	3 3 1 2 2 9 18	1	6	34 33 22 13 20 31 16 33 20 27 249
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Appointments	Pas	tor		Sermons Preached	Pastoral Visits	Prayer Meetings Visited	Sunday Schools Visited	Prayer Meeting Classes	B. F. C. Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers Enrolled		Total Enrollment			Home Department Members	Cradle Roll Members	Subscriptions to	Gospel Herald
CH	URCH E	XTE	NSIO	N DE	PART	MEN	T - T	WILLI	AM	А. Н	EFF	NER	, Di	rect	or			
Binghamton, N. Y. Denville, N. J. Finesville, N. J. Jersey City, N. J. Macungie Miller Heights Millersville Paradise Phila. (Roxboro) Trenton, N. J.	N. R. Wei R. C. Mal A. C. Cas: R. R. Rutl R. J. Entle R. R. Dott R. Gardne R. E. McI H. VanSa L. K. Ove	nurin sel er er ntyre ndt rpecl		$ \begin{vmatrix} 156 \\ 106 \\ 94 \\ 92 \\ -91 \\ \hline 136 \\ 159 \\ 174 \\ 139 \\ 126 \\ \hline 1273 \end{vmatrix} $	308 447 325 303 465 184 218 276 570 265 3361	42 49 38 40 47 44 46 41 42 39 428	48 47 49 44 48 46 49 46			17 15 11 8 10 -12 11 18 10 11 11 123	90 68 48 39 42 61 107 26 81 -623	8 5 4 5 7 7 12 3	3 9 7 2 3 2 5 6 2	81 55 42 36 38 69 49 98 67	13			12 10 10 1 7 4 10

			C	hurch Pro	perty	0	FFERING	S
Appointments	Pastor	Churches	Parsonages	Increase of Church Property	Present Valuation of Church Property	Foreign Missions	Foreign Missions in Sunday Schools	For B. F. Home
CHURCH	EXTENSION DEP	ARTI	MEN	T - WILI	LIAM A. HE	EFFNER,	Director	
Binghamton, N. Y Denville, N. J. Finesville, N. J. ersey City, N. J. Macungie	N. R. Weiss R. C. Mahurin A. C. Cassel R. R. Ruth R. J. Entler	1 1 1 1 1	1 1		\$ 9,500.00 3,500.00 22,000.00 23,000.00 7,000.00	21.10	106.90 191.14	
		-,		0.000.00			AF1 F0	
	R. R. Dotts	1 1 1 1 1	1	\$ 8,000.00 16,500.00	7,500.00	70.00	251.78 297.12 351.07 78.89 245.45	\$18.0

	XIII					OFFERIN	GS— (C	ontinued			
Church Dep Mission S	Church Extension Department Mission Sunday Schools Appointments Pastor				Building Fund	Sunday Schools	District Superintendents	Ministers in Cash		Ministers in Other Contributions	Offerings For Missionary or Evangetistic Work
	CHURC	H EXTEN	SION DEP	ARTME	ENT -	- WILLIA	М А. Н	EFFNER,	Dire	ctor	
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Appointments	Sunday School Conventions	Received for Reduction of Church Property Indebtedness	Repairing Church Property	Berean Bible School	Relief and Rescue Work	Youth Fellowship	Women's Missionary Society	Women's Mis. Soc. (Materials Donated)	Child Evangelism	Victory Valley	Total Offerings
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XXIV.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS (Summary)

District Superintendents Ordained Ministers Probationers Local Conference Licensed Ministers Deacons	2 37 16 6 8
Class Leaders	59
Stewards	66
Parsonage and Building Fund Collectors	65
Baptized	$\frac{149}{21}$
Members not baptizedChildren Dedicated	114
	111
Church Membership	
Received into Church Fellowship	209
Received from Bible Fellowship Churches	47
Total increase	$\frac{256}{29}$
Withdrew	39
Dropped	89
Transferred to other churches	72
Transferred to other Bible Fellowship Churches	47
Total decrease	276
Net Decrease	19
Total Membership	4,650
Record	
Appointments	45
Sermons preached	5,870
Pastoral visits	
Prayer meetings visited	
Sunday Schools visited	1,979
Prayer meeting classesBible Fellowship Sunday Schools	51 45
Officers and teachers enrolled	1,059
Scholars enrolled	6,979
Total enrollment	8,038
Total average attendance	6,134
Home department members	206
Cradle roll members	677
Subscribers to Gospel Herald	392
Churches	43
Parsonages	38
Financial	

(a) Valuation

Increase of Church Property\$	132,198.14
Present Valuation of Church Properties	2,728,945.30

(b) Offerings

Foreign Missions\$	50,529.58
Foreign Missions (Sunday Schools)	26,338.85
Church Extension	29,767.35
Church Extension (Sunday Schools)	9,413.23
Bible Fellowship Home for the Aging	1,456.92
Church Extension	21,848.88
General Offerings	116,988.24
Parsonage and Building Fund	66,443.20
Sunday Schools	75,540.06
District Superintendents	14,287.88
Church Extension Director (from missions)	1,120.46
District Superintendents' Parsonages	1,462.86
Ministers in Cash	135,712.44
Ministers in other contributions	17,718.63
Ministers' Retirement Fund	3,816.52
Missionary and Evangelistic Work	39,908.07
Beneficiary Fund	854.32
Sunday School Conventions	960.92
Received for Church Property Indebtedness	48,525.74
Repairing Church Property	6,713.58
Berean Bible School	21,840.99
Publication and Printing	435.34
Benevolent Society	44.50
Relief and Rescue Work	2,032.85
Youth Fellowship	4,411.53
Women's Missionary Society	10,616.13
Women's Missionary Society (donated materials)	7,014.27
Men's Fellowship	1,078.57
Child Evangelism	3,839.60
Annual Conference Entertainment Fund	663.45
Annual Conference Delegate Fund	2,300.21
Camp Meetings	8,915.74
Victory Valley	12,755.95

Total Offerings _____\$ 745,356.86

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Box 351, Middletown, Conn.		1			Box 351, Middletown, Conn.	

3. Superannuated Ministers

Name	Licensed	Ordained	Received Present Charge	Post Office Address
Heffner, W. F	1917	1920		6103 Ann St., Harrisburg, Pa.
Kublic, E. E.	1901	1907		316 Walnut St., Lebanon, Pa.
Layne, J. B	1916	1919		104 N. Gotwalt St., York, Pa.
Rutman, E. J	1937	1940		7809 Sunset Drive, Harrisburg, Pa.
Woodring, A. G	1917	1920		940 Franklin St., Wyomissing, Pa.

4. Church Extension Ministers

Campbell, M. Leslie	4 South George St., Millersville, Pa.
Cassel, Alva C 1958	Finesville, N. J.
Dotts, Raymond R.	Miller Heights, Bethlehem, Pa.
Entler, Robert J	East Texas, Pa.
Mahurin, Ronald C.	523 Lake Shore Drive, Parsippany, N. J.
McIntyre, Robt. E. 1958	Box 32, Paradise, Pa.
Overpeck, Leon K. 1958	28 Keswick Ave., Trenton 8, N. J.
Ruth, Richard R	45 Lincoln St., Jersey City 7, N. J.
Weiss, Norman R.	6 Rutherford St., Binghamton, N. Y.

5. Foreign Missionaries

Buck, Leonard	1958
Buck, Mrs. Nina	
Chaponniere, Paul	
Doverspike, Miss	
Betty	
Dyke, Herbert C	
Dyke, Mrs. Betty	
Gordon, Robert	[1960]1960]
Gordon, Mrs.Frances	
Harley, J. Barclay	1956 1960
Harley, Mrs. Dorothy	
Hoyle, Mrs. Doris	
Schaeffer	
Maass, Miss Marg	
Mann, Chas. L., Jr.	
Miller, Miss Bertha	
Miller, Miss Louise_	
Miller, Miss Sylvia_	
Rampy, Robert	
Rampy, Mrs. Mar-	
cella	
Rawn, Miss Olive _	
Shelly, Austin G	
Shelly, Mrs. Ruth	
Snyder, C. F	
Snyder, Mrs. Phoebe	
Stengele, Laird S	
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Name	Licensed	Post Office Address
Stengele, Mrs. Mary A.		
Yost, Miss Grace		

6. Local Conference Licensed Ministers Allentown District

Gehman, Richard H. 1956	Lancaster, Pa.
Johnson, Ronald L. 1955	Shamokin, Pa.
Knauer, Donald 1952	Reading, Pa.
Raub, Robert 1960	Mount Carmel, Pa.
Schaeffer, Richard _ 1951	Allentown, Pa.

Bethlehem District

Shelly, Harold P.,		
Jr	1956	Quakertown, Pa.

^{*} Director of Church Extension

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Pastor	Exchange	Number
Allen, Russell T	Philadelphia, Saratoga	SA 6-4413
(Emmanuel Church)	Philadelphia, Saratoga	SA 7-8959
Baer, Paul E.	Easton, Blackburn	BL 3-0253
Bean, E. W.	Leesport, Walker	WA 6-3097
Beil, James A.	Collegeville, Huxley	HU 9-2281
Brosius, Bert N.	Lehighton, Drake	DR 7-1277
Cassel, Carl C.	Lansdale, Ulysses	UL 5-2449
Cassel, Willard E.	Easton, Blackburn	BL 2-6352
(Beulah Church)	Easton, Blackburn	$BL\ 2-6321$
Dunn, John	Slatington, Porter	PO 7-4852
Fritz, Harvey J., Jr.	Royersford, Williams	WI 8-3791
Gardner, Reynold D.	New York, Gibraltar	GI 2-2782
Gehman, R. H.	Lancaster, Exchange	EX 3-7677
Gehret, T. D.	Fleetwood, Whitehall	WH 4-4742
Golla, John E.	Nazareth, Plaza	PL 9-1712
Hartman, Ernest B.	Emmaus, Woodring	WO 5-6756
Hartman, Jansen E.	Allentown, Hemlock	HE 4-2251
Hartman, W. W.	Bethlehem, University	UN 6-2703
(Ebenezer Church)	Bethlehem, University	UN 8-5501
Heffner, William A.	Emmaus, Woodring	WO 7-1643
Heffner, W. F.	Harrisburg	JO 4-2568
Heiser, Elwood L.	Coopersburg	5391
Heller, LeRoy S.	Philadelphia, Pioneer	PI 3-3751

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Ziegler, Daniel K.

(84 W. Vine Street, Hatfield, Pa.)

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Pastor	Exchange	Number		
Herb, Frank L., Jr.	Harrisburg, Cedar	CE 2-0821		
Herb, George E.	Stroudsburg	HA 1-0533		
Hertzog, F. B.	Allentown, Hemlock	${ m HE}\ 51732$		
Hosler, Earl M.	Emmaus, Woodring	WO 5-2682		
Hottel, W. B.	Mount Carmel	339-4693		
Johnson, Robert F.	Scranton, Diamond	DI 2-2027		
Kirkwood, C. E.	Bethlehem, University	UN 8-2781		
Kirkwood, Donald T.	Philadelphia, Baldwin	BA 5-5839		
(Salem Church)	Philadelphia, Baldwin	BA 8-5206		
Kline, Richard H.	Royersford, Williams	WI 8-3014		
Koch, James G.	York	5872		
Kublic, E. E.	Lebanon	CR 2-1866		
Reichenbach, R. C.	Shamokin	648-9732		
Riggall, John H.	Chester, Tremont	TR 6-8449		
Rutman, E. J.	Harrisburg	KI 5-0917		
Schaeffer, Donald B.	Allentown, Hemlock	HE 2-7275		
Seifert, A. L.	Allentown, Hemlock	HE 2-0664		
(Bethel Church)	Allentown, Hemlock	HE 5-2331		
Smock, Robert W.	Terre Hill, Hillcrest	HI 5-4401		
Stengele, P. T.	Reading	FR 2-3330		
Thomann, David E.	Quakertown	KE 6-6096		
Wolf, N. H.	Sunbury, Atlantic	AT 6-6106		
Woodring, A. G.	Reading	FR 5-3947		
Ziegler, Daniel G.	Lebanon	CR 2-3945		
Diegrei, Dames G.	200411011			
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Campbell, M. Leslie	Lancaster, Trinity	TR 2-8979		
Cassel, Alva C.	Milford, Wyman	WY 3-7308		
Dotts, Raymond R.	Bethlehem, University	UN 5-2191		
Entler, Robert J.	Allentown, Express	EX 5-3688		
Mahurin, Ronald C.	Boonton, Tucker	TU 7-0391		
McIntyre, Robert E.	Strasburg, Overland	OV 7-5811		
Overpeck, Leon K.	Trenton, Tuxedo	TU 2-2046		
Ruth, Richard R.	Jersey City, Oldfield	OL 9-2650		
Weiss, Norman R.	Binghamton, Raymond	RA 2-4988		
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Members of the Board of D	irectors			
Cassel, Byron C. (747 Hillcrest Ave., Glenside, Pa.)	Glenside, Turner	TU 4-6622		
Wentz, Paul I. (10 S. West Street, Apt. 1C, Allentown, Pa.)	Allentown, Hemlock	HE 7-2775		

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