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of the
Bible Fellowship Church
1968

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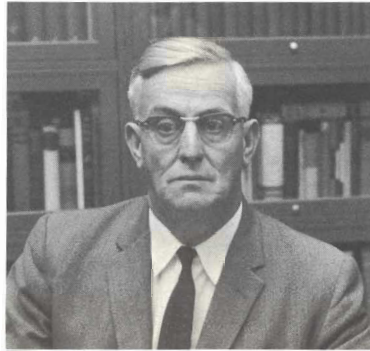
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IN MEMORIAM



Pastor Ernest B. Hartman

Rev. Ernest B. Hartman was born May 17, 1905 at Royersford, Pa. He was one of four sons that were born to Ellsworth and Nora (nee Weidner) Hartman, all of whom responded to the call of God and entered the ministry of the Bible Fellowship Church.

Herbert W. died September 9, 1957 while serving Bethany Church at Mount Carmel. Ernest B. died August 25, 1968, while serving the church at Sinking Spring; Jansen E. is President of Berean Bible School; Wilbur W. is Pastor of Calvary Church, Shamokin, Pa.

His wife, Esther J. survives him, also one son James, one daughter Janet and two grandchildren.

After attending grade school and high school in Royersford, he was employed as a knitter at the Spring City Knitting Mills.

On August 13, 1924 he entered the Gospel Herald Society and labored for the Lord at Harrisburg, Pa., Newark, N. J. and Jersey City, and Chester, Pa. Brother Hartman was licensed by Annual Conference in 1927 and ordained in 1926.

While serving the Chester, Pa., appointment, the church was organized with Ernest as the Pastor. Other appointments served were: Philadelphia, Calvary (1941-1948); Scranton (1948-1952); Graterford-Harleysville circuit (1952-1959); Zionsville (1959-1967). He accepted a call to pastor the Church at Sinking Spring, Pa. beginning his ministry there on Sunday, October 15, 1967. After a brief ministry of about ten months, he was stricken with a serious illness and went to be with the Lord on August 25, 1968.

Brother Hartman was a dedicated servant of the Lord; his loyalty and sincerity could not be questioned. He was loved and respected by all whom he ministered.

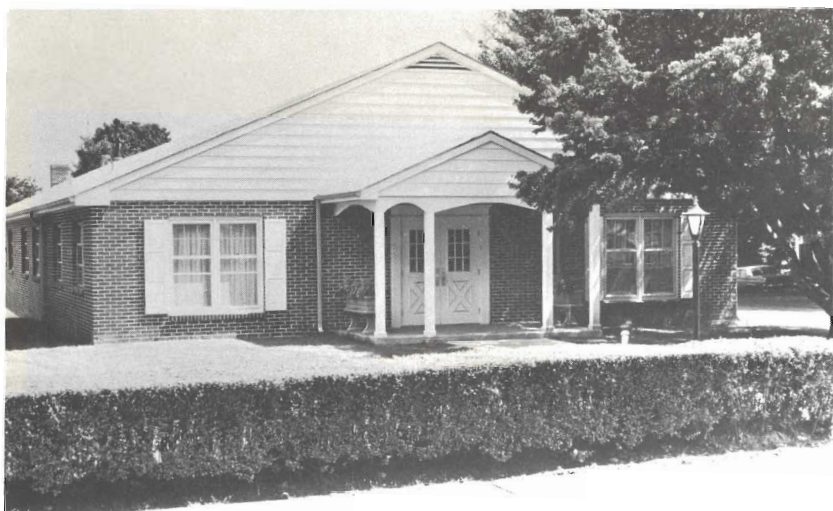
The influences and fragrance of his life remains a precious memory to those who were privileged to know and labor with him. For him, the race is run, and his the rest after toil and labor.



Exterior of Harleysville Church



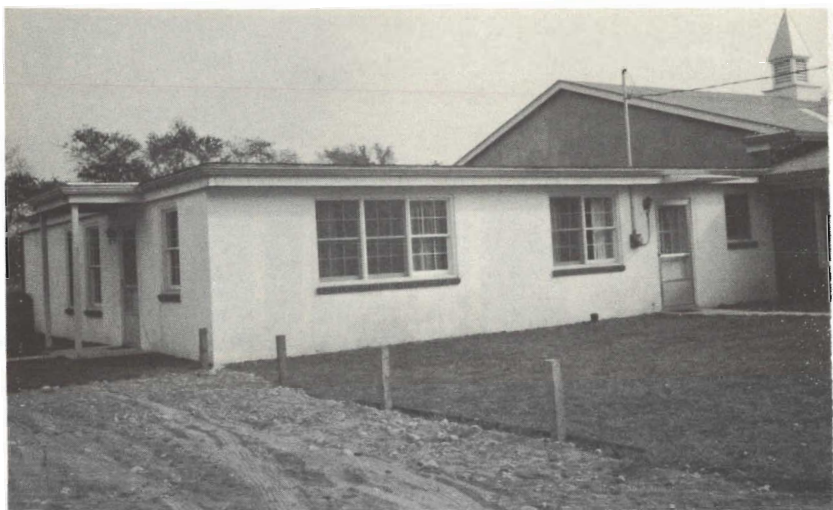
Interior of Harleysville Church



Exterior - Bible Fellowship Church Home, Nazareth, Pa.



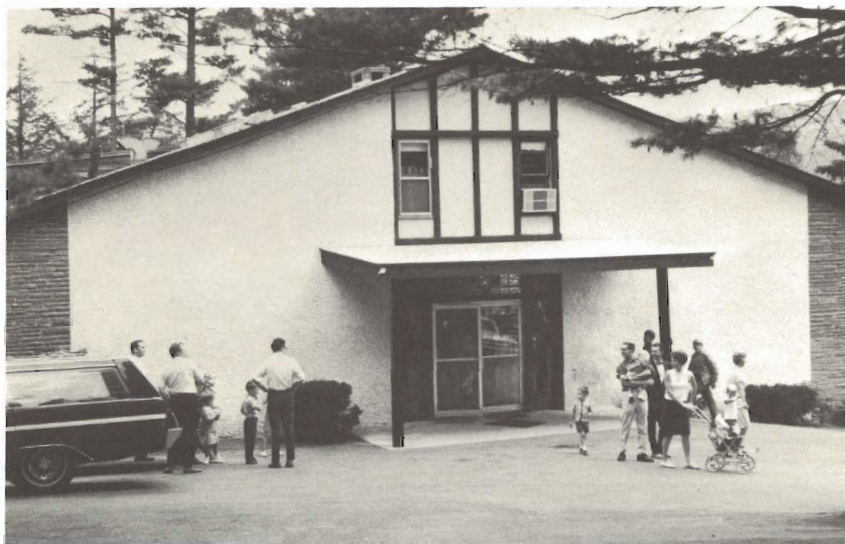
Interior - Bible Fellowship Church Home. Nazareth, Pa.



Parsonage added to Belvidere Church



Newly purchased parsonage at Wallingford



Administration Building at Pinebrook



Dining Hall at Pinebrook

OFFICIAL RECORD

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(1 year) James A.Beil, A.L.Seifert, Paul I.Wentz
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(3 years) John H. Riggall, Norman W. Granda

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Committee on Ministerial Candidates:

Carl C. Cassel, James A. Beil, David E. Thomann, William A. Heffner, David J. Watkins

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David J. Watkins, Secretary

Committee to Publish Fellowship News:

David E. Thomann, Chairman; Clyde W. Snyder, Secretary; Paul T. Rutman, Financial Secretary; Robert W. Smock, Editor, R. C. Reichenbach, Business Manager

Historical Committee:

(1 year) Byron C. Cassel, (2 years) Paul H. Cressman, (3 years) Raymond R. Dotts

Sunday School Promotion Committee:

A. L. Seifert, Daniel G. Ziegler

(1 year) James G. Koch, Robert Truett, John Boyle

(2 years) Raymond R. Dotts, Keith E. Plows, James R. Cressman, Glenn W. Sheats

(3 years) Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Norman L. Reed, William R. Hunsberger

James G. Koch, Chairman, William Hunsberger, V. Chairman, Raymond R. Dotts, Secretary, James R. Cressman, Financial Secretary

Youth Fellowship General Committee:

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(2 years) Ronald C. Mahurin, Daniel G. Ziegler, Clyde W. Snyder
(3 years) Robert F. Johnson, Herbert Gilfroy, Harold Snyder

Daniel G. Ziegler, Chairman John Vandegriff, Secretary
Clyde W. Snyder, Treasurer

Committee on Agenda:

Willard E. Cassel, LeRoy S. Heller, Bert N. Brosius

Committee on Program for Next Annual Conference:

James A. Beil, John H. Herb, Mark T. Smith

Committee on Publication and Printing:

Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Chairman; Norman R. Weiss, Secretary;
David E. Thomann

Committee to Examine Annual Conference Minutes:

John H. Riggall, LeRoy S. Heller

Committee to Publish the Year Book:

Robert W. Smock, David E. Thomann, Willard E. Cassel

STUDY COMMITTEES

Committee on Church Government:

Willard E. Cassel, Carl C. Cassel, Jansen E. Hartman, Frank
L. Herb, Jr., John H. Riggall, James A. Beil, John H. Herb.

Committee on Pensions:

Constituted of lay members of the Board of Directors of the
Bible Fellowship Church (Byron C. Cassel, James R. Cressman,
Kermit K. Gehman, Paul I. Wentz)

Committee to Study Pulpit Supply:

John H. Riggall, William A. Heffner, Carl C. Cassel, Byron C.
Cassel, Bert N. Brosius, Horace A. Kauffman, John L. Deily

Byron C. Cassel, Chairman

Committee to Study Church Membership:

Frank L. Herb, Jr., Daniel G. Ziegler, James G. Koch, David J. Watkins, Keith E. Plows

Committee to Revise the Present System of Pulpit Supply:

William A. Heffner, John H. Riggall, R. C. Reichenbach, Horace A. Kauffman, Robert W. Gehret

R. C. Reichenbach, Chairman Robert W. Gehret, Secretary

Committee to Study the Possibility of Moving Annual Conference to Spring:

William A. Heffner, C. E. Kirkwood, Leon K. Overpeck, Horace A. Kauffman, Leon H. Naudasher

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 preceding 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 by the Chair.

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.

8. Robert's Rules of Order is the basis for our parliamentary procedure.

9. Two copies of the Reports of all Standing Boards and Committees shall be mimeographed and sent to the Pastors one week previous to Annual Conference. Questions may be asked and corrections made before inclusion into the Annual Conference minutes. Reports shall not be read publicly, unless called for from the Conference floor.

10. Any exception to the Standing Rules may be allowed by three-fourth ($3/4$) of the Annual Conference. The reason for such exception shall be fully spread on the Minutes.

11. All proposals to amend our FAITH & ORDER must pass reading at two Annual Conferences by a two-third vote by ballot before final adoption.

12. The District Superintendent and the delegates of all Stations and Circuits shall constitute the Stationing and Appropria-

ing Committee. The Annual Conference may grant the status of a Station to a Mission Church which has contributed a minimum of \$4,500.00 to the Pastor and has petitioned Annual Conference requesting the change declaring that it no longer desires Church Extension appropriation.

If a Station fails to contribute \$4,500.00 to the Pastor, it shall forfeit its voice in the Stationing and Appropriating Committee.

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

13. At the Adjourned Session of the Annual Conference, a Nominating Committee shall be elected, composed of four ordained ministers and three laymen, to present nominees for the elections of the following year's Annual Conference.

Committees

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

1. Committee on Program (Appointed this year for next year's Conference)
2. Committee on Communications
3. Committee on Finance
4. Committee on Examination of Local Conference Minutes
5. Committee on Resolutions
6. Committee on Auditing

Standing Boards and Committees

(a) Appointed by the Chairman

1. Committee on Publication and Printing
2. Committee on Statistics
3. Committee on Examination of Annual Conference Minutes
4. Committee on Agenda
5. Committee on Publishing Year Book

(b) Elected by Ballot

1. Board of Directors
2. Board of Foreign Missions
3. Board of Church Extension
4. Board of Directors of the Home
5. Board of Directors of Berean Bible School
6. Board of Victory Valley
7. Ministerial Candidate Committee
8. Youth Fellowship General Committee
9. Credentials Committee
10. Beneficiary Society (Officers elected by the Society)
11. Pinebrook Bible Conference Board
12. Pinebrook Service Board
13. Committee to Publish Fellowship News

12. Sunday School Promotion Committee
13. Historical Committee
14. Nominating Committee

Year Books -- 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.

The Secretary of the Annual Conference shall send Year Books to the Eastern and Western Clergy Bureaus and to any other agencies deemed advisable.

The Church shall be responsible to pay for Year Books within one week after receiving 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.

By- Laws

(Special Laws and Resolutions)

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 the 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 FAITH & ORDER

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 Board of Foreign Missions of the Bible Fellowship Church.
4. Advisory members shall not be permitted to participate in Conference discussions except by request of the Chairman.

APPLICANTS AND PROBATIONERS

- A. No applicant for the ministry shall be received into the

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Conference as a Probationer who is not willing to submit himself unconditionally to the Stationing and Appropriating Committee.

B. No Probationer shall be ordained who is not fully in accord with our doctrine, with the itinerant plan, and submission to the Conference.

LCOAL 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.

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 from the Church Extension Fund at the Local Conference.

D. In case a Local Conference desires to sell church property, they must receive the approval of the Board of Directors before conveying title.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

The following Boards and Committees shall, as soon as practicable after their election, elect a President and Secretary: Board of Directors, Board of Foreign Missions, Board of Church Extension, Board of Victory Valley, Board of Mizpah Grove, Committee on Publication & Printing 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 Victory Valley, Board of Mizpah Grove, Committee on Publication and Printing 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 Committees shall submit a full and classified report of their work, financial and otherwise, to the Annual Conference. They shall hold meetings annually or more often.

Board of Directors -- The Annual Conference shall elect a Board of Directors annually consisting of five ordained ministers who are members of the Annual Conference and willing to minister under the direction of our Conference, the FAITH & ORDER and the By-Laws of the Corporation, and four 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 substantial investments.

The Board of Directors shall not buy nor sell any 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 approval of all the members of the Board, or by Annual Conference resolution. The Board shall also authorize the satis-

faction 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 Advisors 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.

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:

In trust for the use of the ministry and membership of the...
Church of the Bible Fellowship Church at.....
 subject to the doctrines, laws, usages and ministerial appointments of the Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church of Pennsylvania as from time to time established, made and declared by the lawful authorities of the said church and if the said property shall be sold or encumbered, the proceeds of the sale or encumbrance shall be applied for the use of the aforesaid, subject, however, to the provisions of the law of the church relating to abandoned church properties and of that forbidding mortgaging of real estate for current expenses.

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 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.

Board of Foreign Missions -- 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 be composed of the District Superintendent, General Secretary, three 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.

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.

The members of the church shall be respectfully recommended to forward their funds for the foreign missionaries through the Board of Foreign Missions 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.

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.

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.

Publication and Printing -- 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.

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.

All expenses of committees of investigation, appointed by the District Superintendent, shall be paid out of the Publication and Printing Fund.

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 Fund shall be sustained by -- First, from the Annual Conference Administrative Budget.

Second, each Pastor shall pay into this Fund from his salary and from his Church Extension appropriation and each District Superintendent from his salary as follows: one percent of the first thousand dollars or fraction thereof, $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent of the second

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thousand dollars and above. 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.

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 attained the age of sixty-five (65) he may retire from the active ministry and dating from the time he received Annual Conference license he shall receive an annuity of thirty dollars and eighty cents (\$30.80) for each year of active service payable in monthly installments.

Second -- The retirement age for District Superintendent and Pastors is established at 72 years.

Third -- Services rendered after the age of seventy-two years shall in no case increase the Annuity. Annuities shall in no case exceed twelve hundred thirty-two 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 paragraph 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 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 of 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 the marriage shall in no case receive any annuity. Widows' annuities shall be compiled at the rate of \$15.40 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 six hundred sixteen dollars in one year.

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

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.

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.

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.

MISCELLANEOUS

A. Transfers -- When a good standing member moves from one class to another, his or her name shall be transferred at once.

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 charge shall be brought against any Annual Conference member which has not been recorded in the Local Conference proceedings of their charge, except such as have been committed or discovered since the last Local Conference.

D. 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 then 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.

E. The Pastor, by virtue of his office, shall be counted as an officer of the Sunday School.

F. Annual Conference Minutes -- The Committee on Examination of Annual Conference Minutes shall carefully compare the Annual Year

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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.

G. The Director of Church Extension shall be recognized as a travelling Elder and is a member of the Board of Church Extension.

H. The Director of Church Extension shall under all circumstances function in cooperation with the District Superintendent, and in all matters of importance act only by the approval of the Board of Church Extension.

I. 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.

J. 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.

K. 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.

L. 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.

M. The travelling expenses for all official Church business shall be 8¢ per mile.

N. Each Church shall establish its own minimum support that it will pay its Pastor. This action shall be by the Official Board at a meeting held no later than November 1. Report of this action shall be made to the local congregation not later than November 15.

O. The offering for the Home for the Aging shall be paid at the Adjourned Session.

P. The Conference Secretary shall inform in writing all men who are not present at Annual Conference of their election to Boards and Committees.

Q. The Auditing procedure for reporting to the Statistical Committee shall be as follows:

I. The Report of the Official Board to the fourth Local Conference shall be as follows:

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 or Adult 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 report on the Schedule (PS-2) from October 1 to September 30.

IV. Offerings for Church Extension and Foreign Missions shall be reported for the Conference year and shall be paid to the Con-

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ference Treasurer at Annual Conference.

Reports of these offerings shall be made only to the Finance Committee of Annual Conference on PF-1 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 Church Extension and Foreign Missions) to the Statistical Committee, c/o 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.
- 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.

R. Should the fourth Local Conference be scheduled after the date established for the taking of the Pastoral Poll, all business pertaining to pulpit supply shall be conducted by the Official Board elect.

S. Each Board and Committee shall have its records audited by an auditor(s) chosen by the Board or Committee prior to preparing its report for Annual Conference and that the name of the auditor(s) be included in the report to Annual Conference.

(end of By-Laws)

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

1. To be paid at the Adjourned Session

- A -- Ministers' Retirement Fund
Ministers' assessment from receipts since Annual Conference
- B -- The Home -- Annual
Offering for the Home for the Aging

2. To be paid at Annual Conference

- C -- Ministers' Retirement Fund
Minister's assessment from receipts since Adjourned Session

3. To be paid as Directed

- D -- Church Extension -- pledges may be received -- to be paid quarterly to the Secretary of the Board of Church Extension
- E -- Foreign Missions -- pledges may be received -- to be paid quarterly to the General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions
- F -- Berean Bible School -- make check(s) payable to Berean Bible School and send it to 1020 S. Hall St., Allentown, Pa. 18103
- G -- Victory Valley Youth Camp -- to be sent by March 1 to _____, Secretary, Board of Victory Valley.
- H -- Sunday School Promotion Committee -- check to be sent by April 1 to _____, Financial Secretary of the Sunday School Promotion Committee.
- I -- Youth Fellowship General Committee -- check to be submitted to the Secretary of the Committee at the Adjourned Session. Check is to be made payable to _____, Treasurer of the Youth Fellowship General Committee.
- J -- Conference Administrative Budget -- annually in advance or one-twelfth of the pledge may be paid on the last day of each month starting October 31. Checks shall be sent to _____, Financial Secretary, Board of Directors.

NOTE -- All checks shall be made payable to the BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH except as otherwise noted: See:

Berean Bible School
Youth Fellowship General Committee

ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS 1968

The Eighty-Fifth Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convened in the Bethany Church, Hatfield, Pennsylvania.

The Conference was opened at 10:00 A.M., October 14, with the hymn "Lord of our Life and God of Our Salvation" led by Clyde W. Snyder. Frank L. Herb, Jr., offered prayer. The members of Conference also sang, "Jesus Thou Joy of Loving Hearts".

Conference Superintendent A. L. Seifert read the Scripture lesson from Isaiah 53:1-8 and I Corinthians 11:23-32 followed by the Communion Service.

The Conference engaged in a time of prayer led by Norman R. Weiss and Norman W. Granda.

The following were enrolled as members of the Conference:

ORDAINED: Russell T. Allen, E. W. Bean, James A. Beil, Bert N. Brosius, M. Leslie Campbell, Carl C. Cassel, Willard E. Cassel, Raymond R. Dotts, John Dunn, Bruce A. Ellingson, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Jansen E. Hartman, W. W. Hartman, William A. Heffner, LeRoy S. Heller, Frank L. Herb, Jr., George E. Herb, John H. Herb, Earl M. Hosler, W. B. Hottel, Robert F. Johnson, C. E. Kirkwood, Donald T. Kirkwood, Donald R. Knauer, James G. Koch, Ronald C. Mahurin, Leon K. Overpeck, R. C. Reichenbach, John H. Riggall, A. L. Seifert, Robert W. Smock, David E. Thomann, David J. Watkins, Harold C. Weaver, Norman R. Weiss, Daniel G. Ziegler, T. D. Gehret, W. F. Heffner, F. B. Hertzog, E. E. Kublic, J. B. Layne, E. J. Rutman, P. T. Stengele, N. H. Wolf, Paul E. Baer, Reynold D. Gardner, Sr., Robert Paul, Donald B. Schaeffer.

PROBATIONERS: Brian Butler, Paul B. Kuder, William W. Mull, Keith E. Plows, Mark T. Smith, LeRoy C. Wilcox, Paul G. Zimmerman.

DELEGATES:

Allentown (Bethel)	John L. Deily
Allentown (Cedar Crest)	R. Paul Schaeffer
Allentown (Salem)	Allan C. Palmer
Bethlehem	Myron H. Gehret
Blandon	John I. Mengel
Catasauqua	Arthur W. Deppe
Coopersburg	Arthur Mack

Denville	John F. Moran
Easton	Russell E. Dech
Ephrata	Robert W. Gehret
Emmaus	Paul I. Wentz, Sr.
Fleetwood	Norman L. Reed
Graterford	Edward A. Stortz
Harleysville	H. Phares Mumbauer
Harrisburg	Walter A. Schlagel
Hatfield	Clyde W. Snyder
Lancaster	Horace A. Kauffman
Lebanon	Frank L. Herb, Sr.
Lehighton	Willard Blocker
Maple Glen	Byron C. Cassel
Mount Carmel	Roy E. Williams
Nazareth	Norman W. Granda
Paradise	E. Gerald Hershey
Philadelphia (Calvary)	Leon H. Naudasher
Philadelphia (Emmanuel)	Edward J. Dietzman
Quakertown	Harold P. Shelly
Reading	Robert Breitegam
Royersford	William R. Hunsberger
Scranton	Carl H. Kellerman
Shamokin	T. Lamarn Manney
Sinking Spring	Paul W. Sensenig
Spring City,	John F. Boyle,
Staten Island	Ralph D. Cole
Stroudsburg	George R. Fish
Sunbury	Allan F. Smith
Terre Hill	J. R. Weber
Wallingford	Robert W. Truett
York	Sterling E. Baer
Zionsville	Bright N. Heist

The following were absent:

Russell T. Allen, Earl M. Hosler, W. B. Hottel, W. F. Heffner, E. E. Kublic, J. B. Layne, E. J. Rutman, P. T. Stengele, Paul E. Baer, Reynold D. Gardner, Sr., Robert Paul, Donald B. Schaeffer.

The Chair appointed the following:

Tellers: George E. Herb, Robert F. Johnson, Ronald C. Mahurin, David J. Watkins, Norman R. Weiss, John H. Herb.

Whereas, Ernest B. Hartman, elected Secretary of the Eighty-Fifth Annual Conference, passed on to be with his Lord, therefore,

Resolved, That we elect a Secretary at this time.

James A. Beil was elected.

Resolved, That we recess to the call of the Chair.

The Secretary appointed the following: Willard E. Cassel, Assistant Secretary; Robert W. Smock, Recording Secretary.

Written excuses were submitted by Paul E. Baer, W. B. Hottel, J. B. Layne, P. T. Stengele and Paul G. Zimmerman.

Resolved, That the excuses of the absent members be accepted.

New delegates, Myron H. Gehret of Bethlehem, Russell E. Dech of Easton, Arthur Mack of Coopersburg, E. Gerald Hershey of Paradise, Robert Truett of Wallingford and Bright N. Heist of Zionsville, were introduced.

Resolved, That the first 8 pews constitute the Conference Bar.

Resolved, That no one be allowed to leave the bar without permission except the delegate of the Host Church.

The Chairman appointed the following committees:

Committee on Auditing: Horace A. Kauffman, Raymond R. Dotts, William R. Hunsberger, Donald R. Knauer, Leon H. Naudasher, Norman L. Reed, R. Paul Schaeffer.

Committee on Communications: William A. Heffner, Bert N. Brosius, Bruce A. Ellingson, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., John H. Riggall.

Committee on Examination of Local Conference Minutes: E. W. Bean, John F. Boyle, Robert Breitegam, Brian Butler, M. Leslie Campbell, Russell E. Dech, John Deily, Arthur W. Deppe, George R. Fish, Myron H. Gehret, Norman W. Granda, W. W. Hartman, Bright N. Heist, Frank L. Herb, Jr., E. Gerald Hershey, Carl H. Kellerman, Arthur Mack, John I. Mengel, John F. Moran, William W. Mull, H. Phares Mumbauer, Allan C. Palmer, Walter A. Schlagel, Allan F. Smith, Mark T. Smith, Clyde W. Snyder, Edward A. Stortz, Robert W. Truett, Harold C. Weaver, J. R. Weber, LeRoy C. Wilcox, Paul G. Zimmerman.

Committee on Finance: Paul I. Wentz, Sr., Byron C. Cassel, Ralph D. Cole, Robert W. Gehret, Roy E. Williams.

Committee on Resolutions: C. E. Kirkwood, Carl C. Cassel, Jansen E. Hartman, Keith E. Plows, R. C. Reichenbach.

Reporter: Daniel G. Ziegler

Timekeeper: Leon K. Overpeck

The above Committees were approved.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM (See Report, page 25)

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS (See Report, page 25)

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS (See Report, page 29)

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That we extend the time.

Resolved, That we suspend the Rules and adjourn to meet at 3:00 P.M.

Adjourned 12:13 P.M. with prayer by David E. Thomann

Second Meeting
Monday Afternoon, October 14, 1968

Donald J. Ritter, missionary to Sweden under Greater Europe Mission brought greetings.

Resolved, That the following be added to the end of the first paragraph on page 10 (Mimeo copy of Faith and Order) concerning elections of Conference Boards and Committees: "All retired ministers willing to serve are eligible for election to Boards and Committees." (First Reading)

Resolved, That Paul B. Kuder and Keith E. Plows be ordained during the Thursday evening meeting of this Annual Conference.

Resolved, That we accept the resignations of Russell T. Allen, Earl M. Hosler and Robert Paul and drop them from the roll of ministers.

Resolved, That W.B. Hottel be granted an indefinite leave of absence and he be listed as an Ordained Minister on Leave of Absence.

Resolve, That the Committee on Stationing and Appropriations give consideration to granting W.B. Hottel some financial assistance at this time.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as corrected.

Whereas, This Conference has adopted, in its first reading, a change in the by-laws which establishes the eligibility of Ordained Ministers in Retirement to serve on Boards and Committees of the Annual Conference, and,

Whereas, The 84th Annual Conference decided that Ordained

Ministers in Retirement were eligible to serve on Boards and Committees of Annual Conference, and,

Whereas, We have had an Ordained Minister in Retirement who has served on Boards and Committees during this past year, therefore,

Resolved, That, under the Rule of Exception, such Ordained Ministers in Retirement be eligible to serve on Boards and Committees if elected at this Annual Conference.

Resolved, That Arthur W. Deppe be excused from the sessions for the remainder of this day.

REPORT OF THE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP GENERAL COMMITTEE
(See Report, page 30)

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That each Youth Fellowship remit an offering for the work of the Youth Fellowship General Committee, and that this offering be payable to the Treasurer of the Youth Fellowship General Committee and that it be submitted to the Secretary of said committee at the Adjourned Session of this Conference.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION AND PRINTING
(See Report, page 32)

The Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER (See Report, page 33).

The Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION COMMITTEE
(See Report, page 34).

The Report was accepted.

Resolved, That every Bible Fellowship Sunday School make a contribution for denominational Sunday School promotion. This contribution should be mailed to the Financial Secretary of the Committee before April 1, 1969.

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL CONVENTION (See Report, page 36).

The Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL CANDIDATES
(See Report, page 38).

The Report was accepted.

Resolved, That the following men be recognized in their respective stages of development.

Probationers:

Donald Barnhart	William Mull
David L. Branning	Keith E. Plows
Leonard E. Buck	Theodore R. Shelling
Brian H. Butler	Mark T. Smith
Richard J. Gehman	Austin Sullivan
Ronald Jansen	LeRoy C. Wilcox
Paul B. Kuder	Paul G. Zimmerman

Candidates:

Arthur H. Frable	William M. Franklin
David L. Manney	

Applicants:

Timothy Baker	Ivan H. Martin
William H. Bartron	Robert Minnig
Douglas Bowne	Roger Reitz
Terris Byrd	Jonathan D. Reynolds
Thomas Crossman	Paul Reynolds
William Duane	Abram H. Snavelly
Larry Gradwohl	Harold E. Snyder
Gary Hoffman	Carl K. Spackman
Charles E. Kramer	John Vandegriff
George F. Lee	Dana Weller
Larry Yerger	

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PUBLISH FELLOWSHIP NEWS (See Report, page 39).

The Report was accepted.

Resolved, That the month of January be designated as subscription month and each pastor be urged to encourage subscriptions among the families of his congregation.

Resolved, That Donations be given from the following Boards and Committees:

Board of Foreign Missions, Board of Church Extension, Sunday School Promotion Committee, Board of Directors of Berean Bible School \$50.00 each and the Committee on Publication and Printing \$400.00.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PUBLISH FELLOWSHIP NEWS - BUDGET (See Report, page 41)

The Budget was adopted.

The Editor, David E. Thomann and the Business Manager, R. C. Reichenbach gave oral reports.

The following was elected:

Treasurer; Byron C. Cassel

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet at 6:30 P.M.

Adjourned at 4:43 with prayer by Clyde W. Snyder.

Third Meeting Monday Evening, October 14, 1968

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The following were elected:

Committee on Ministerial Candidates: David J. Watkins, David E. Thomann, Carl C. Cassel, James A. Beil, William A. Heffner.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT: (See Report, page 41)

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CHURCH EXTENSION: (See Report, page 46)

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF BEREAN BIBLE SCHOOL: (See Report, page 48)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH: (See Report, page 53)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS: (See Report. page 67)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION: (See Reports, page 79)

Above Reports were accepted.

Resolved, That all Church Extension Funds be forwarded quarterly to the Secretary of the Board of Church Extension.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH HOME: (See Report, page 82)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MIZPAH GROVE: (See Report, page 84)

The above reports were accepted.

Resolved, That \$4,000 of the existing balance of the Board of Mizpah Grove be assigned to the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board and the remaining balance as of 10/31/68 be given to the Pinebrook Service Board.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VICTORY VALLEY: (See Report, page 88)

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That each church make a contribution to Victory Valley Camp. The anticipated budget of the Camp indicates need for contributions of at least \$5,500 by the Churches. Checks shall be made payable to Victory Valley Camp and sent to the Secretary of the Board before March 1, 1969.

The following were elected:

Committee on Credentials: Willard E. Cassel, Frank L. Herb, Jr., James G. Koch, John H. Riggall.

Resolved, That Paul B. Kuder be excused from the Tuesday and Wednesday morning sessions.

Resolved, That J. R. Weber be excused from the Tuesday morning session.

Resolved, That we adjourn. Adjourned at 8:59 with prayer by James G. Koch.

Fourth Meeting Tuesday Morning, October 15, 1968

The session opened with singing of "Break Thou the Bread of Life" led by Ralph D. Cole. R. C. Reichenbach led in prayer. Daniel G. Ziegler led in devotions around the truth: "God is at Work."

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The following were elected:

Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church: (Ministers) Carl C. Cassel, Jansen E. Hartman, Frank L. Herb, Jr., John H. Riggall.

Carl Spackman, Supply Pastor at Mount Carmel, was introduced.

The following were elected:

Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church: (Laymen)
Byron C. Cassel, James R. Cressman, Kermit K. Gehman, Paul I. Wentz, Sr.

The Report of the Committee to Study Government I, according to Agenda, was considered.

Resolved, That William W. Mull be excused from the sessions this afternoon and Thursday afternoon.

Resolved, That we adjourn

Adjourned 12:05 P.M. with prayer by Donald T. Kirkwood.

Fifth Meeting Tuesday Afternoon, October 15, 1968

Roy E. Williams led in prayer.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as corrected.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE LOCAL CONFERENCE MINUTES: (See Report, page 92)

The Report was accepted.

Resolved, That the Petition of the Paradise Church be granted and their delegate be seated in the Stationing and Appropriations Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY CHURCH GOVERNMENT (See Reports, page 93)

The Report was accepted.

The following articles from the Committee to Study Church Government were considered:

ARTICLE X ELECTING AND INSTALLING ELDERS

Every congregation shall elect elders in keeping with the qualifications set forth in Scripture. Elders must be male members in full communion in the church in which they are to exercise their office.

When persons are elected to this office and have declared their willingness to accept its responsibilities, they shall be set apart in the following manner:

In a service of worship, the minister shall state in a concise manner the warrant and nature of the office of elder together with the spiritual qualifications required for its exercise and the duties to be fulfilled. He shall then address to the candidate, in the

presence of the congregation, the following questions:

1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the Word of God, the only infallible rules of faith and conduct?

2. Do you sincerely receive the FAITH AND ORDER of the Bible Fellowship Church as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures?

3. Do you approve of the government and discipline of the Bible Fellowship Church?

4. Do you accept the office of elder in the congregation and promise faithfully to perform all the duties thereof?

5. Do you promise to promote the purity, peace and unity of the church?

After the elder-elect has answered these questions in the affirmative, the minister shall address to the members of the church the following questions:

1. Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive this brother as an elder?

2. Do you promise to yield him all that honor, encouragement and obedience in the Lord, to which his office entitles him?

After the members of the church have answered these questions in the affirmative by holding up their right hands, the minister shall proceed to set apart the candidate by prayer to the office of elder and shall give to him and to the congregation an exhortation suited to the occasion.

The office of elder is perpetual since it involves the gift of God which cannot be laid aside at pleasure. Yet an elder may become by age or infirmity incapable of performing the duties of his office, or he may, though not chargeable with either heresy or immorality, become unacceptable in his official capacity to a majority of the congregation. For any of these reasons an elder may be declared inactive and therefore he shall no longer serve as a member of the Board of Elders.

If any particular church by congregational vote prefers to elect elders for a limited time in the exercise of their functions, this may be done; provided, the full time be not less than three years, and the Board of Elders be made to consist of three classes, one of which shall be elected every year; and provided that elders, once installed, shall continue to be elders, though inactive when they are not re-elected to serve as a member of the Board of Elders.

All active and inactive elders shall subscribe annually to the

FAITH AND ORDER of the Bible Fellowship Church. No person can be divested of this office except by deposition for failure to maintain standards of doctrine and life in keeping with the dignity of this office, but all elders, whether active or inactive, must maintain proper standards.

The above article was defeated. (Yes 33 No 44)

ARTICLE XI MINISTERS LABORING IN OTHER CHURCHES OR ORGANIZATIONS

An ordained minister of the Bible Fellowship Church, consistently with his ordination vows and without prejudice to his ministerial standing, may properly under certain circumstances and conditions, labor in churches or organizations other than those of the Bible Fellowship Church.

The following rules must be adhered to in such cases:

1. Such labor shall not require the performance of functions inconsistent with his ordination vows required of ministers and other provisions of the FAITH AND ORDER of the Bible Fellowship Church.

2. They shall not be regarded as under the sole jurisdiction of the organization in which they serve. Such an organization must recognize that those who hold credentials with the Bible Fellowship Church are under its discipline in their faith and life.

ARTICLE XII THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

This material has been approved and appears in the mimeo FAITH AND ORDER, page 19.

ARTICLE XIII PROCEDURE FOR RECOGNITION OF A MINISTER

All men who desire to have ministerial credentials with the Bible Fellowship Church shall apply to the Ministerial Candidate Committee. Initial application should be made in writing to the chairman of the Committee; any minister in the denomination can supply the name and address of the current chairman.

Every man who is called to serve as pastor of a Bible Fellowship Church must have credentials with the denomination. Men who who serve as supply pastors for an extended period of time shall be required to establish a proper relationship with this Committee.

Men Entering the Ministry. The Ministerial Candidate Committee divides those under its care into three groups: Applicants, Candidates and Probationers. An Applicant is a man who offers himself to this Committee for service in the Bible Fellowship

Church; young men are encouraged to seek this recognition as early in their educational program as they sense the call of God to the ministry. A Candidate is a man whose application is accepted and who remains under the guidance of the Committee; men move to this group when they near the completion of their educational preparation for the ministry. 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 in a Bible Fellowship Church or in one of the denominational ministries. After a Probationer has served at least two years, he may be recommended to the Credentials Committee for ordination examination. The minimum period of probationary service may be extended; having served as a Probationer does not guarantee ordination. Internship or field work programs enhance the value of this probationary period when churches and men desire.

Men Received from Other Churches. This material has been approved and appears in mimeo FAITH AND ORDER, page 20 - first four paragraphs.

Ordination. The Bible Fellowship Church understands ordination to the Christian ministry as the laying on of the hands of the elders of the Church accompanied by prayer and is the public recognition by the Church of gifts previously given by God to one called to the ministry of the Word of God. The examination for ordination is conducted by the Credentials Committee of the Bible Fellowship Church. As long as an ordained minister maintains a relationship to this denomination he remains under the care of the Credentials Committee subscribing annually to the FAITH AND ORDER.

ARTICLE XIV PULPIT SUPPLY PROCEDURE

This material has been approved and appears in mimeo FAITH AND ORDER, pp. 8-10

ARTICLE XV AGENCIES OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The churches individually and as a body recognize their responsibility for the growth of the church in this country and overseas, for the ministry, for education, for camps and conferences, for youth work, for publications, for ministerial pensions and relief and for other appropriate concerns.

The Annual Conference shall establish boards, committees or offices, temporary or permanent, incorporated or unincorporated for the discharge of these responsibilities.

Such agencies shall perform all their acts as the servants of and in accordance with the rules of the Bible Fellowship Church; they shall be accountable to and submit reports to the Annual Conference as it may require.

The Annual Conference shall be empowered to consider the programs of such agencies with a view to correlating their work, preventing duplication of effort and guiding the development of denominational programs. Each agency shall administer its own program and finances in conformity to policy which has been approved by the Annual Conference.

ARTICLE XVI CHAIRMAN

In order to conduct the business of the Annual Conference in an orderly and efficient manner, a chairman shall be chosen by and from the membership of the Annual Conference.

The chairman by his election shall be considered to possess, by delegation from the whole body, all authority necessary for the preservation of order and directing the operation of the Annual Conference according to the rules of the Bible Fellowship Church. In deciding issues in the meeting of the Annual Conference when there is a tie vote, he shall have the deciding vote. If he be not willing to decide, he shall call for a second ballot; if the result is again tie, the issue shall be lost.

The chairman of the next Annual Conference shall be chosen by ballot at the last session of each Annual Conference. He shall be eligible to succeed himself twice. After the close of the Annual Conference, the Chairman shall have the power to convene the Annual Conference by circulating a written call for such a meeting giving the members sufficient notice to prepare properly to attend.

ARTICLE XVII SECRETARY

Each Annual Conference shall choose from its members by ballot a secretary to record its transactions. It shall be the duty of the secretary, besides the recording of the actions, to preserve the records carefully and to prepare for publication the proceedings of the Annual Conference. He shall furnish certified excerpts from the minutes of the Annual Conference when properly requested; when such excerpts are given, they shall be considered as authentic evidence of the fact which they declare. The secretary shall be empowered to appoint any assistants he needs.

ARTICLE XVIII AMENDMENTS

Amendments or alterations in the Form of Government of the Bible Fellowship Church shall be made only in the following manner; The Annual Conference, after proper discussion, may propose changes to the churches by a two-thirds majority of those voting at the Annual Conference, but the changes shall not be valid until presented to the particular churches and approved by a two-thirds majority of those voting at a succeeding Annual Conference; when the second Annual Conference shall give such approval, it

shall declare that the changes have been adopted and are in effect.

Amendments or alterations in the Articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church shall be made in a way similar to that of amending the Form of Government with the following additions: The elders of each church shall vote upon proposed changes and approval shall be necessary from two-thirds of the churches prior to the second vote of the Annual Conference.

None of the provisions of the second or third paragraphs of this article may be changed except by the process set forth in paragraph two.

The above 8 Articles were adopted for first reading.

Whereas, The Adjourned Session of the 84th Annual Conference did not elect a Director of Church Extension, and,

Whereas, Daniel G. Ziegler was appointed Interim Director for the Conference year 1968-1969, therefore,

Resolved, That Daniel G. Ziegler be a member of the Board of Church Extension by virtue of his appointment.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet at 7:30 P.M. Adjourned at 3:59 P.M. with prayer by Mark T. Smith.

Sixth Meeting

Tuesday Evening, October 15, 1968

This meeting convened at 7:45 P.M.

The minutes were approved as read.

Whereas, Most of our pastors are unable to enter a group health insurance plan and,

Whereas, Mr. Wagner, Insurance Executive, has proposed a plan that seems ideal for our churches and pastors, and is within our financial means, therefore,

Resolved, That he be requested to present this plan to our delegates during this Annual Conference.

The Spring City petition was considered.

Resolved, That this petition be referred to the Committee on Church Government.

The Harleysville petition was considered.

Resolved, That we extend the time.

Whereas, The Pastor and Delegate of the Harleysville Church have stated that they regard the report of the Committee on Credentials as an adequate answer to their petition, therefore,

Resolved, That we consider the petition answered in the report of the Committee on Credentials.

Resolved, That C.E.Kirkwood, Carl C.Cassel and James G. Koch be excused from certain sessions on Thursday.

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 10:04 P.M. with prayer by Robert W.Smock.

Seventh Meeting Wednesday Morning, October 16, 1968

Harold P. Shelly led the Conference in singing, "Jesus I am Resting". Pastor Donald R. Knauer spoke on "The Shepherd's Heart" from Luke 4.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected.

The following were elected:

Board of Church Extension: Bruce A. Ellingson, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., James G. Koch, John L. Deily, Clayton E. Weber.

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

Board of Foreign Missions: (Ministers) Willard E. Cassel, David E. Thomann, John Dunn

The Secretary read a letter of excuse from Alva C. Cassel.

Resolved, That the excuse of Alva C. Cassel be accepted.

Resolved, That we suspend the Rules and recess to the call of the Chair no earlier than 3:30 P.M.

Prayer by Paul G. Zimmerman.

The following were elected:

Board of Foreign Missions: (Laymen) Robert Breitegam, James R. Cressman, Kermit K. Gehman, Roy E. Williams

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE: (See Reports, page 96)

The Report was accepted.

Resolved, That all Foreign Mission funds be forwarded quarterly to the General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, Rev. T.D.Gehret, 2340 Union Street, Allentown, Pa. 18104.

The Berean Bible School Budget was presented.

Resolved, That the Berean Bible School budget for 1968-69 be tabled. (Yes 29 No 26)

Resolved, That David J. Watkins and Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., be excused from certain meetings on Thursday.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS: (See Reports, page 97)

The Report was accepted.

The following were elected:

Board of Directors of Berean Bible School: (Minister) James A. Beil

Resolved, That we suspend the Rules and adjourn to meet at 7:30 P.M.

Adjourned with prayer by T.D.Gehret.

Eighth Meeting Wednesday Evening, October 16, 1968

The meeting convened at 7:40 P.M.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

The following were elected:

Board of Directors of Berean Bible School: (Laymen) C.W. Snyder, Warren L. Zimmerman, Harold Snyder

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE: (See Reports, page 116)

The Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BEREAN BIBLE SCHOOL: (See Reports, page 98)

The Report was accepted.

Resolved, That the following changes be made in the Standing Rules on page R 10 of the mimeo Faith and Order pertaining to the President of Berean Bible School: (First Reading)

The President of Berean Bible School

Delete the existing two sentences.

Read, The President of Berean Bible School shall be elected by the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School according to their by-laws from among men who are in agreement with the articles of Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church. The election of a new president shall be submitted to Annual Conference and be ratified by a two-thirds vote.

Resolved, That the following changes be made on page 22 of the mimeo Faith and Order pertaining to the composition of the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School: (First Reading)

Board of Directors of Berean Bible School

1. The Board of Directors of Berean Bible School shall be composed of: a. The District Superintendent
b. The President of the School
c. Four ordained ministers
d. Seven laymen

2. Election

A. Classes

I Two	Two
II One Minister	Three laymen
III One	One

Resolved, That each church be encouraged to support Berean Bible School at a level equal to 4% of its annual offerings and that this support be remitted to the school in twelve monthly payments. The laymen on the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School shall maintain contact throughout the year with the pastors and Official Boards of each church, keeping them informed of the work of the school and its needs.

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 9:25 P.M. with prayer by John Dunn.

Ninth Meeting
Thursday Morning, October 17, 1968

The meeting opened at 9:00 A.M. with Delegate Sterling Baer leading the Conference in singing, "In Tenderness He Sought Me." John H. Riggall spoke from Romans 12:9-21 on "Love in the Life

of an Elder."

The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

Brian Butler informed us of the serious illness of Arthur W. Deppe. The Conference entered into a time of prayer on his behalf.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY CHURCH MEMBERSHIP: (See Reports, page 104)

The Report was accepted.

Resolved, That Annual Conference approve the filing of an application by Berean Bible School with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Instruction for the granting of associate degrees and such honors as are appropriate to the programs offered.

Resolved, That the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School be authorized to make changes in the Charter of Incorporation necessary to implement the granting of degrees.

Resolved, That we suspend the Rules and adjourn.

Adjourned at 10:23 with prayer by Walter A. Schlagel.

Tenth Meeting Thursday Afternoon, October 17, 1968

The meeting began at 1:45 P.M.

The minutes were approved as read.

The following were elected:

Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church Home: T.D. Gehret, E.W. Bean, George E. Herb, Paul H. Cressman

Resolved, That Brian Butler be excused from the remainder of this meeting, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., and LeRoy S. Heller, Arthur Mack and Roy E. Williams from Friday afternoon's meeting and H. Phares Mumbauer and E. Gerald Hershey from all sessions on Friday.

Resolved, That we elect the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board which shall be composed of the Bible Conference Director (by virtue of his office), three (3) pastors and three (3) laymen. Pastors and laymen shall be elected for three (3) year terms, and further,

Resolved, That for this initial election we elect one pastor and one layman for a term of three (3) years; one pastor and one layman

for a term of two (2) years; and one pastor and one layman for a term of one year.

Resolved, That we recess to the call of the Chair.

Recessed at 2:18 P.M.

Business resumed at 5:21 P.M.

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 5:22 P.M. with prayer by Raymond R. Dotts.

Eleventh Meeting Friday Morning, October 18, 1968

The meeting opened with singing, "In Tenderness He Sought Me". John L. Deily led in prayer. Pastor David E. Thomann read from Philippians 2:1-18 (Phillips)

The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

Whereas, Arthur W. Deppe, Delegate from Catasauqua, was taken ill, therefore,

Resolved, That Joseph Wire, Jr., Alternate Delegate, be seated in the bar.

Resolved, That Brian Butler be excused from the morning meeting.

Resolved, That LeRoy Wilcox and Carl H. Kellerman be excused at noon today.

The following were elected:

Pinebrook Bible Conference Board: (Ministers) John H. Riggall, (3 years), Ronald C. Mahurin (2 years), Mark T. Smith (1 year).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS (See Reports, page 104).

The Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE ANNUAL CONFERENCE MINUTES (See Reports, page 105).

The Report was accepted.

Resolved, That the minutes of the 84th Annual Conference be opened so that the commission reported by the Committee to Examine Annual Conference Minutes can be inserted.

Resolved, That we cast three ballots for the laymen of the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board.

The following were elected:

Pinebrook Bible Conference Board: (Laymen) (3 years) Norman W. Granda (2 years) Kermit K. Gehman, (1 year) Lee Boyles

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO COORDINATE LEGISLATION PROPOSED BY THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION (See Report, page 105).

The Report was accepted.

The following articles from the above report were adopted:

I. Any congregation meeting the standards of Article XVIII of the Faith and Order is a member of the Annual Conference and shall be known as a church.

II. Any congregation which has a relationship to the Bible Fellowship Church but has not yet met the standards for recognition as a church shall be called a mission.

III. When in the opinion of the Board of Church Extension, a mission has attained to the standards set forth in Article XVIII, the Board shall recommend to Annual Conference that this mission be recognized as a church and that it be admitted to the membership of Annual Conference. This recognition will be by a majority vote of Annual Conference.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS (See Report, p. 117)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PLAN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CONFERENCE CENTER (See Report, page 107).

The above Reports were accepted.

Resolved, That we extend the time.

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 12:08 with prayer by Edward A. Stortz.

Twelfth Meeting
Friday, Afternoon, October 18, 1968

The minutes were read and approved.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY PULPIT SUPPLY (See Reports, page 108).

The Report was accepted.

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint a committee of 5 who believe that the present system of Pulpit Supply can be made adequate by revising it to study the problem and present their findings to the Adjourned Session of the 85th Annual Conference.

The Chairman appointed William A. Heffner, John H. Riggall, R. C. Reichenbach, Horace A. Kauffman, Robert W. Gehret.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATIONING AND APPROPRIATIONS (See Reports, page 108).

Resolved, That this Report be referred back to the Committee.

This resolution lost. (Yes 29 No 41)

Resolved, That the Report on the Committee on Stationing and Appropriations be accepted. (Yes 45 No 25)

Resolved, That we recess to the call of the Chair.

Recessed at 4:20 P.M.

Business resumed at 5:15 P.M.

Resolved, That we suspend the Rules and adjourn to meet at 6:00 P.M.

Adjourned with prayer by Norman L. Reed.

Thirteenth Meeting Friday Evening, October 18, 1968

The meeting began at 6:06 P.M.

The minutes were read and approved as read.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDITING (See Report, page 11)

The Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS (See Reports, page 112).

The Report was adopted.

The Conference Administration Budget was presented as follows:

1. Publication and Printing	\$. . . 500.
2. Conference Entertainment	650.
3. Beneficiary Fund	800.
4. District Superintendent:	
(a) Annual Support	7,350.

(b) Travel and Utility Grant	3,400.
5. District Superintendent's Parsonage	1,500.
6. Ministers' Retirement Fund	5,000.
7. Moving Fund	4,000.
8. Expenses for Boards and Committees while transacting Conference Business	1,000.
9. Other Expenses of Board of Directors	290.
10. Contingencies	500.
11. Ministerial Convention Expenses	400.
12. An Appropriation to be used at the discretion of the District Superintendent	3,000.
	<u>\$ 28,390.</u>

Resolved, That we elect a Pinebrook Service Board which shall be composed of the President of Berean Bible School and the Director of the Bible Conference (by virtue of their offices); one member of the Bible Conference Board and one member of the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School who shall be chosen by their respective boards and three (3) members at large. At no time shall there be more than two members, exclusive of the Conference Superintendent, serving from the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School or the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board.

The following were elected:

Pinebrook Service Board: Gerald Schlonecker, George Herb, Harry Bailey.

Resolved, That the work of the Committee on Pensions be continued by a sub-committee of the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church consisting of the lay members of said Board. They shall also consider the problem of health insurance.

Resolved, That regulation number 11 on page 10 of the published By-Laws and Articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church, October 1960, under Pulpit Supply, Annual Conference Action, which reads, "No Pastor shall serve any church longer than nine (9) consecutive years" be eliminated. (Second Reading)

Resolved, That to the standing committees on the Official Board be added a Pastoral Relations Committee of three men. It shall be appointed by the Pastor. Its duties shall be to improve communications between Board and Pastor; between congregation and Pastor; to work for the improvement of relations between Pastor and congregation; to candidly discuss with the Pastor any problems that may arise. (Second Reading).

Resolved, That Daniel G. Ziegler be a member of the Sunday School Promotion Committee by virtue of his appointment as Interim Director of Church Extension. (Yes 36 No 31)

The following were elected:

Sunday School Promotion Committee; Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Norman L. Reed, William R. Hunsberger.

Editor of Fellowship News: Robert W. Smock

Business Manager of Fellowship News: R. C. Reichenbach

Resolved, That Carl C. Cassel be excused from the remainder of this meeting.

The following were elected:

Committee to Publish Fellowship News: David E. Thomann

The Chairman made the following appointments:

Committee on Publication and Printing: Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Norman R. Weiss, David E. Thomann

Committee on Agenda: Willard E. Cassel, LeRoy S. Heller, Bert N. Brosius.

Committee to Examine the Minutes of Annual Conference: John H. Riggall, LeRoy S. Heller.

Committee on Program for Next Annual Conference: James A. Beil, John H. Herb, Mark T. Smith.

Committee to Publish the Year Book: Robert W. Smock, David E. Thomann, Willard E. Cassel.

Committee to Study the Possibility of Moving Annual Conference to Spring: C. E. Kirkwood, William A. Heffner, Leon K. Overpeck, Horace A. Kauffman, Leon H. Naudasher.

Resolved, That W. B. Hottel be given \$400 from the Moving Fund.

Resolved, That an adjourned session of Annual Conference be held at Calvary Church, Coopersburg on Saturday, December 7, 1968, at 9:00 A. M.

Resolved, That we recess.

Recessed at 8:25 P. M.

Business resumed at 8:40 P. M.

The following were elected:

Committee to Publish Fellowship News: (Laymen) Paul T. Rutman, Clyde W. Snyder.

Historical Committee: Raymond R. Dotts

Committee on Church Government: John H. Herb

Committee to Study Pulpit Supply: Bert N. Brosius, John L. Deily

Committee to Study Church Membership: Keith E. Plows

Board of Victory Valley: Carl C. Cassel, Donald R. Knauer, Ronald C. Mahurin, Kermit K. Gehman, Bright N. Heist, Paul I. Wentz, Jr.

Youth Fellowship General Committee: Robert F. Johnson, Herbert Gilfroy, Harold Snyder

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 9:57 with prayer by M. Leslie Campbell.

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Fourteenth Meeting
Saturday Morning, December 7, 1968

The 85th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church met in adjourned session on Saturday, December 7, 1968 at 9:00 a.m. in Calvary Church, Coopersburg, Pa.

Chairman A. L. Seifert read from Psalm 37. R. C. Reichenbach and William R. Hunsberger led the Conference in prayer.

Resolved, that the excuses of the absent pastors and delegates be accepted.

Whereas, Rule 9 of our Rules for Pulpit Supply says, among other things, that "no choices shall be granted without the District Superintendent having consulted with the Pastor involved", and,

Whereas, the practical application of this rule has been not to force a church on a Pastor or to force a Pastor on a church, and,

Whereas, Question "d" of the Faith and Order Questionnaire which must be completed annually by all those desiring to retain credentials with the Bible Fellowship Church, asks:

"d. Are you willing to serve a church as stationed by the Annual Conference through Pulpit Supply? Yes or no.", and,

Whereas, the question quoted from the Faith and Order Questionnaire implies that the Pastor who has not been assigned by the operation of Rules 1 through 6 under "Annual Conference Action" will be consulted but he has no choice except to concur in the action of the Stationing Committee, and,

Whereas, the apparent conflict between our practical application of Rule 9 and question "d." of the Faith and Order Questionnaire should not exist, therefore, be it,

Resolved, that, regardless of precedent, it is the consensus of this Conference that, under the existing rules, a man whose name appeared on the Availability List who is without an assignment by the operation of Rules 1 through 6 must accept whatever assignment is given him by the Stationing Committee; and that every church without a Pastor after the operation of Rules 1 through 6 must accept the man assigned to it by the Stationing Committee; and further, that when there is an unassigned Pastor holding credentials with the Bible Fellowship Church and a duly organized church without a Pastor, the Stationing Committee must assign the Pastor to the church and the said church must acknowledge said man as its Pastor.

The following articles from the Committee to Coordinate Legislation Proposed by the Board of Church Extension were adopted: (First Reading)

IV. Any Church which desires financial aid from the Conference shall make written application to the Board of Church Extension on forms provided by that Board.

V. Financial aid to Churches shall be made by the Board of Church Extension upon approval of the required application.

VI. That all Churches which receive financial aid from the Board of Church Extension shall be under the jurisdiction of the Church Extension Department. The Board of Church Extension and the Director may counsel and advise the Churches under their jurisdiction in matters of pastoral relations and pulpit supply.

VIII. The Board of Church Extension shall participate in Annual Conference Pulpit Supply procedures on behalf of the missions under its jurisdiction to supply pastors for them. It shall seek to call a pastor for each of these missions, according to the By-laws of the Bible Fellowship Church which govern Pulpit Supply in which the Board of Church Extension shall function in lieu of the Official Board.

Resolved, that Allan C. Palmer be excused at 2:00 p.m.

Resolved, that we adjourn to meet at 1:15 p.m.

Adjourned with prayer by Jansen E. Hartman.

Fifteenth Meeting

Saturday Afternoon, December 7, 1968

The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

Resolved, that R. Paul Schaeffer be excused at 2:00 p.m.

The following articles from the Committee to Coordinate Legislation Proposed by the Board of Church Extension was adopted: (First Reading)

IX. For procurement of pastors to open new missions, the Board of Church Extension shall be permitted to call available men. If a pastor accepts such a call he shall notify the Credentials Committee of his acceptance not later than September 1 and reference to his commitment be included on the Availability List. The Board of Church Extension shall confirm to the Credentials Committee his commitment not later than September 1.

Whereas, Harold E. Snyder has resigned from the Youth Fellowship General Committee, therefore,

Resolved, that we elect a replacement for him.

Leroy O. Herb was elected.

Resolved, that moving expenses of churches and missions in the Church Extension Department be included in the Conference Administrative Budget, along with the Moving Fund of all other churches effective October 1969.

Resolved, that when missions are received into Annual Conference membership they be asked to make annual contributions to the Conference Administrative Budget.

Resolved, that resolution two on page 18 and resolution two on page 20 of the 1967 Year Book be presented for Second Reading as follows:

Resolved, that the Board of Church Extension be composed of the District Superintendent and the Director of Church Extension, by virtue of their offices, and three ordained ministers and three laymen who are elected by ballot by the Annual Conference. The elected members of the Board shall comprise three classes of one minister and one layman respectively. Each class shall be elected in turn, for a three-year term. (Second Reading)

It was adopted.

Resolved, that the Board of Church Extension shall, as part of its annual report, present to Annual Conference for adoption a proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1 of the year following. The budget shall include projected needs for planned new church openings.

After being adopted by Annual Conference, the budget for Church Extension may serve as a guide to the churches in their giving for Church Extension. Each Official Board shall, by June 15, submit to the Board of Church Extension its best estimate of the amount the Church may be expected to remit for Church Extension by Annual Conference. (Second Reading)

It was adopted.

Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, noted the following appointments of the Board for the 1968-69 year:

Belvidere, New Jersey- John H. Herb
 Finesville, New Jersey- Ronald Jansen
 Macungie, Pennsylvania- Norman R. Weiss
 Miller Heights, Pennsylvania- Donald Barnhart
 Walnutport, Pennsylvania- David Branning
 Millersville, Pennsylvania- To be supplied

Harold C. Weaber was assigned to the Bible Fellowship Church of Graterford as Assistant Pastor.

Whereas, the approved report of the Stationing and Appropriating Committee did not name pastors for two of our congregations, and,

Whereas, Robert Salzman and Terris L. Byrd are under the care of the Ministerial Candidate Committee and they have been accepted by the churches as supply pastors through counsel with the Conference Superintendent, therefore,

Resolved, that Robert Salzman be recognized as supply pastor for Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church and Terris Byrd be recognized as supply pastor for Sinking Spring Bible Fellowship Church.

Resolved, that the Secretary send a letter to Robert Salzman and Terris Byrd relative to the above action.

Whereas, the Department of Public Instruction of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania requires that an institution of higher education possess an endowment fund of \$500,000 or the equivalent in order to be recognized as a degree granting institution and as a college, and,

Whereas, it is advisable for our Berean Bible School to seek and to maintain such recognition, and,

Whereas, our level of giving to the School in recent years has consistently reached the equivalent of the earnings of such a fund invested at 5% per annum, therefore,

Resolved, that the Annual Conference guarantee the annual support of Berean Bible School in the minimum amount of \$25,000 to be received from Bible Fellowship Churches and from individuals who indicate that their gifts are to be credited to the Bible Fellowship Church.

(Yes 61 No 5)

Resolved, that we hold an adjourned session on March 8, 1969 at Graterford Bible Fellowship Church at 9:00 a.m. The first order of business shall be consideration of the report of the Board of Church Extension regarding duties of the Director of Church Extension.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS (See Report)

The report was accepted.

Resolved, that we extend the time.

Resolved, that delegates only cast a ballot relative to the resolution on Health and Welfare.

Resolved, that the plan for group Health and Welfare benefits to be underwritten by Prudential Life Insurance Company for the ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church and their wives and dependent children be approved.

(Delegate vote: Yes 29 No 3)

Resolved, that we adjourn.

Adjourned 5:25 p.m. with prayer by Leon K. Overpeck.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS

HEALTH AND WELFARE INSURANCE PLAN

UNDERWRITER-Prudential Life Insurance Co., Newark, N.J.

PLAN-To cover ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church

COVERAGE-Husband-wife-dependent children

	<u>Limit</u>
BENEFITS- Semi-private (2 in room) hospital room	None
Misc. hosp. expenses-per hospitalization	\$3,000
Such as....	
Doctors' bills	
Private duty nursing	
Physiotherapy	
X-ray & laboratory examinations	
Treatment by X-ray or Radioactive substances	
Artificial limbs and eyes, casts, splints, trusses, braces, crutches	
Drugs and medicines	
Normal maternity	300
Surgical fees (according to a schedule)	600

Should above named coverages be inadequate to cover described expenses, minister hereupon

himself bears a cost of \$100

Thereafter-major medical insurance covers
80% of excess expenses 20,000

PREMIUM-For minister (Must be paid by church)	\$ 6.30
-For wife and/or dependents (may be paid by church or minister)	<u>15.45</u>
Total monthly premium	21.75

REQUIREMENT-75% of churches must enroll pastor to make plan effective.

All bills for insurance and payment thereof must go through Board of Directors.

PROPOSAL-Send your application with a check for \$21.75 by March 8, 1969, and on the first of each month thereafter to:

Mr. J. R. Cressman, Financial Secretary
Bible Fellowship Church
1128 N. New Street
Bethlehem, Pa. 18018

RESOLVED, that the plan for group Health and Welfare benefits to be underwritten by Prudential Life Insurance Company for the ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church and their wives and dependent children be approved.

NOTE:-Establishment of the plan is subject to two conditions:

a. Approval of this resolution

b. A minimum of 75% of the churches must join the plan.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM

Monday, October 14, 1968 - 10:00 A.M.

Song Leader	Clyde Snyder
Speaker	Rev. A. L. Seifert
Lord's Supper	Rev. A. L. Seifert

Tuesday, October 15, 1968 - 9:00 A.M.

Song Leader	Ralph Cole
Speaker	Rev. Daniel G. Ziegler

Wednesday, October 16, 1968 - 9:00 A.M.

Song Leader	Harold Shelly, Sr.
Speaker	Rev. Donald R. Knauer

Thursday, October 17, 1968 - 9:00 A.M.

Song Leader	Sterling Baer
Speaker	Rev. John H. Riggall

Public Service - 7:30 P.M.

Presiding	Rev. David J. Watkins
Music	Pastor's Octet
Sermon	Rev. C. E. Kirkwood.

Ordination proceedings will be conducted by the Chairman of the Committee on Credentials.

Friday, October 18, 1968 - 9:00 A.M.

Song Leader	H. Phares Mumbauer
Speaker	Rev. David E. Thomann

Note: The devotional period for each morning, except Monday, will be 15 minutes. There will be the singing of one congregational hymn, after which the remainder of the time will be turned over to the speaker of the morning. Speakers should plan a devotional for approximately 10 minutes. It is the hope of the Program Committee that the Monday morning devotion and celebration of the Lord's Supper can be completed in 30 minutes.

(Russell T. Allen, David J. Watkins, Donald T. Kirkwood, Committee).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The Committee on Credentials held three meetings during the year in the performance of its duties.

The Faith and Order questionnaire was sent to each of our ministers holding credentials with us. All the brethren signed and returned it, having answered all the questions in the affirmative except as follows:

1. In some cases Ordained Ministers Working With Other Organizations, Ordained Ministers Retired or on Leave of Absence and Foreign Missionaries, did not answer yes to question four: "Are you willing to serve a church as stationed by the Annual Conference through Pulpit Supply?" The reason for this is obvious and proper.

2. Norman Weiss did not answer yes to question four because he is committed to the Board of Church Extension for the ensuing Conference Year.

3. Letters of resignation for service in the Bible Fellowship Church were received from: Russell T. Allen, Earl M. Hosler and Robert Paul.

4. Daniel G. Ziegler answered yes to question four, but observed that his acceptance of the position of Interim Director of the Church Extension Department will place some limitations on his time in a pastorate.

Several letters were returned with the Faith and Order Questionnaire, raising questions about the following:

1. Is it possible for a person who is Dispensational in his approach to Scripture honestly to affirm his acceptance of our Faith and Order?

2. "Misgivings" concerning the article on "Free Agency" and "Election" were expressed. Do these articles teach a "limited atonement"?

3. Clarification of the article on "Second Coming" was requested.

4. Is the signing of the Faith and Order Questionnaire to be considered binding, as a contract?

The Credentials Committee offers the following answers to these questions, based on our understanding of the Faith and Order:

1. The Committee gets the impression that the issue is taken with some articles simply because the position they represent is not popular with some of our membership. If this is the basis of dissent, the Committee feels it to be the wrong basis on which to proceed. The question must be, is it Biblical? rather than, is it well received? That means that unity must be sought, not by polls but by the demanding task of Biblical Study.

It also means that we must be willing to accept differences of opinion in those areas where Scripture is not sufficiently clear.

We believe the only hope for the Bible Fellowship Church is its confidence that the Bible is the Infallible Word of God and our reliable guide in Faith and Practice. Anything that weakens that fundamental commitment means our ultimate rejection by God.

2. The Committee fully recognizes that there are some differences in emphasis among us. It simply points out that these differences all lie within the framework of our articles of Faith. We know of no denomination that demands as broad a commitment as to that which our pastors subscribe. This represents a commitment to the teachings of historic Christianity in such a degree that it should provide a firm basis of cooperation. Let us not blind ourselves to that vast area of truth in which we all agree. Our differences are really not as great as some would make them.

3. In cases where questions are raised about our articles on "Free Agency" and "Election", the problems seem to be not so much with what these articles say, as with what some brethren are reputed to interpret them to say. No one has made any effort to show them to be unbiblical as they stand. A question has been raised as to whether they teach a "limited atonement", which is considered an unbiblical doctrine by one of the brethren who wrote us. We simply say that it is possible that some of our Pastors may believe in a limited atonement - we are not aware of that - but these articles of Faith do not, and were not intended to teach it.

Certainly these articles do not rule out human responsibility. Nor do they deny that we are to preach the Gospel to every creature. Nor do they deny that we are to "persuade men".

4. The article on "The Second Coming of Christ" clearly teaches a Pre-Millennial return of Christ. It does not deal with the question of the time relationship between the Rapture and the Tribulation.

5. When the articles of Faith were passed many of our Pastors held to a Dispensational approach to Scripture, and did not consider the articles inconsistent with that approach. Many continue to be of that persuasion now and have no difficulty with the Articles of Faith.

6. We believe that our affirmation of the question on the Faith and Order Questionnaire should be considered a commitment which we plan to keep. We do not say it is unalterable, but Christian ethics requires that we be sincere at the time we sign it.

The Ministerial Candidate Committee recommends Paul Kuder and Keith Plows for Ordination. The Credentials Committee, after an examination of these men, believes that they are called of God to the Gospel Ministry.

They have served acceptably during their probationary period within our Conference, and are in accord with the Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church.

We, therefore, Recommend that Paul Kuder and Keith Plows be ordained during the Thursday evening meeting of this Annual Conference.

The Credentials Committee received favorable reports concerning the Ministers of the Conference from the District Superintendent. We are grateful to our Lord for giving to the Bible Fellowship Church, godly, conscientious ministers.

During the year our Brother Ernest B. Hartman was called home to be with the Lord. We express our deepest sympathy to the family in their loss, but take comfort in the glorious assurance we have in Christ.

Whereas, Russell T. Allen, Earl M. Hosler and Robert Paul have resigned from ministry in the Bible Fellowship Church, to minister in other churches,

We recommend that we accept their resignations and drop their names from our roll of ministers.

In a letter dated September 26, 1968, Rev. W. B. Hottel requests that the Annual Conference grant him an indefinite leave of absence in order that he might wait upon God in prayer and seek God's will for the future.

We, therefore, recommend that W. B. Hottel be granted his request and that his name be listed as an Ordained Minister on leave of absence.

We recommend that the Stationing and Appropriations Committee give consideration to granting some financial assistance to Pastor W. B. Hottel.

In order to clarify the function of the Committee we would hereby state that we do not station Pastors, nor do we supply Churches with Pastors between Conferences. Our only relationship to pulpit supply is the preparation and distribution of the Availability List.

The following men hold ordination credentials with the Bible Fellowship Church:

A. Ordained Ministers working under the direction of the Bible Fellowship Church:

Bean, E. W.
Beil, James A.

Johnson, Robert F.
Kirkwood, C. E.

Brosius, Bert N.
 Campbell, M. Leslie
 Cassel, Carl C.
 Cassel, Willard E.
 Dotts, Raymond R.
 Dunn, John
 Ellingson, Bruce A.
 Fritz, Harvey, J., Jr.
 Hartman, Jansen E.
 Hartman, W. W.
 Heffner, William A.
 Heller, LeRoy, S.
 Herb, Frank L., Jr.
 Herb, George E.
 Herb, John H.

Kirkwood, Donald T.
 Knauer, Donald R.
 Koch, James G.
 Kuder, Paul B.
 Mahurin, Ronald C.
 Overpeck, Leon K.
 Plows, Keith, E.
 Reichenbach, R. C.
 Riggall, John H.
 Seifert, A. L.
 Smock, Robert W.
 Thomann, David E.
 Watkins, David J.
 Weaver, Harold C.
 Weiss, Norman R.
 Ziegler, Daniel G.

B. Ordained Missionaries:

Bigley, James
 Gordon, Robert
 Harley, J. Barclay

Hertzog, Roy
 Shelly, Austin

C. Ordained Ministers working with other Organizations:

Cassel, Alva C.
 Frank, Walter H.
 Miller, C. Leslie

Schaeffer, Donald B.
 Yarrington, Harold D.

D. Ordained Ministers in Retirement:

Gehret, T. D.
 Heffner, W. F.
 Hertzog, F. B.
 Kublic, E. E.

Layne, J. B.
 Rutman, E. J.
 Stengele, P. T.
 Wolf, N. H.

E. Ordained Ministers on leave of absence:

Baer, Paul E. W. B. Hottel Gardner, Reynold D. Sr.

(C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman, Frank L. Herb, Jr., Secretary, A. L. Seifert, John H. Riggall, W. B. Hottel, Committee).

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nominees proposed by the Nominating Committee have been contacted and each person whose name is submitted has consented to the nomination.

All names will be submitted in alphabetical order.

Proposed nominees will be announced to the members of Annual

Conference at least one session prior to the scheduled election.

We recommend the following to Annual Conference:

Add to the end of the first paragraph on standing rules on page 10 of the mimeographed Faith and Order concerning election of Conference Boards and Committees, the following:

"All retired ministers willing to serve are eligible for elections to Boards and Committees."

(J.H. Riggall, Chairman; Robert W. Gehret, Secretary; Horace A. Kauffman, James G. Koch, Clyde W. Snyder, David E. Thomann, Daniel G. Ziegler, Committee).

REPORT OF THE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP GENERAL COMMITTEE

"And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men." Mark 1:17. The Youth Fellowship General Committee is launching a program known as "The Year of the Net". The heart of the program is a locally planned and executed youth-to-youth evangelistic witness through the Youth Fellowship and involving all believing youth in the endeavor.

The Youth Fellowship General Committee will sponsor an Evangelistic Youth Rally with Rev. Tom Skinner at the Pottstown Youth Center on Friday Evening, November 29, 1968. Other activities will include three Winter weekends and a Youth Week next Summer at Pinebrook, and various other types of functions to reach youth with the gospel.

The members of the committee met on eight occasions last year to conduct the work committed to them.

It was the privilege of this group to work with the Sunday School Promotion Committee in planning the youth emphasis at the Sunday School Convention conducted at Bethlehem. A staff of well qualified speakers was on hand and over two hundred young people attended the sessions.

The College-Career young people enjoyed a shore retreat held at Ocean Grove, New Jersey, on August 16-18. Pastors Daniel Ziegler and David Watkins were the speakers and thirty eight young people were in attendance.

The Fall Retreat, September 6-8 at Victory Valley Camp was open to the Junior and Senior High young people with an invitation given to pastors and youth sponsors to attend sessions on Saturday. The theme for the weekend as "The Year of the Net". The purpose of this retreat was to train our youth for the 1969 program. Over 100 young people attended. Several stated the inspiration the weekend brought to them.

We recommend that each Youth Fellowship remit an offering for the work of the Youth Fellowship General Committee, and that this offering be payable to the treasurer of the Youth Fellowship Committee and that it be submitted to the secretary of said committee at the Adjourned Session of this Conference.

During the past year a sub-committee from the Sunday School Promotion Committee and a sub-committee of the Youth Fellowship General Committee met to discuss the possibility of coordinating their efforts in order to have a more comprehensive Christian Education Program. Therefore, we request the Eighty-Fifth Annual Conference to approve the following recommendations in order to carry out an effective Christian Education Program:

1. We recommend that the first reading of the following proposed legislation be adopted by this conference. Resolved that the Youth Fellowship General Committee be dissolved as of the 86th Annual Conference, and further resolved, that Annual Conference elect a Board of Christian Education composed of six ministers and six laymen to oversee the work of Christian Education throughout the Bible Fellowship Church. The twelve members of this Board of Christian Education shall be comprised of three classes of two ministers and two laymen, respectively, each class to be elected annually in turn for a term of three years. (To initiate the proposed, two ministers and two laymen shall be elected for a two-year term, and two ministers and two laymen shall be elected for a one-year term).

2. We recommend that Annual Conference consider a joint report of the Sunday School Promotion Committee and the Youth Fellowship General Committee further detailing the above proposal.

3. We recommend that the treasury balance of the Youth Fellowship General Committee be turned over to the Board of Christian Education.

4. We recommend that every church make an annual contribution to the work of the Board of Christian Education at the Adjourned Session of Annual Conference. (We suggest the contribution for each church be at least equal to the combined offerings for Youth Fellowship General Committee and Sunday School Promotion Committee).

FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts:

Balance, October 1, 1967		\$	482.62
Retreat fees	\$	1,529.58	
Sunday School Convention		194.00	
Church Offerings		343.00	

Retreat Offerings	17.40	
Total		2,566.60

Expenditures:

Mileage	\$ 303.72	
Printing	151.90	
Mailing	58.74	
Phone	28.60	
Films for Retreats	25.12	
Sunday School Convention	200.00	
North End Hotel	175.38	
Homestead Restaurant	307.98	
Retreat Food	136.80	
Victory Valley Camp	560.70	
Milford Park	41.50	
Retreat speakers	51.00	
Literature	35.66	
Total		2,077.10
Balance, October 1, 1968	\$	489.50

This report was audited and approved by Mr. Clyde Snyder.

(Daniel G. Ziegler, Chairman; Robert F. Johnson, Secretary; Clyde Snyder, Treasurer; A.L. Seifert, Ronald C. Mahurin, Harold P. Shelly, Jr., David Watkins, Barry Kauffman, John Vandegriff, Ben Pattison, Committee).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION AND PRINTINGReceipts:

Balance Brought Forward 10/1/67	\$ 2,946.27	
Sale of Year Books	\$ 1,139.00	
Trans. from Board of Dir.	1,500.00	2,639.00
		\$ 5,585.27

Expenditures:

Honorarium to Con. Secretary	75.00
Honorarium to Con. Treasurer	75.00
Year Book Editing & Postage	351.36
Year Books	1,096.50
Fellowship News donation	400.00
Adjourned Session Editing	24.80
Adjourned Session Minutes	68.00
Faith and Order for M.C.C.	25.00
5000 Pastoral Poll Cards	29.50
	\$ 2,145.16

Balance in Treasury - 9/30/68	3,440.11	\$ 5,585.27
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(David E. Thomann, Chairman; Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Secretary, Robert W. Smock, Committee).

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER

	Bal. Oct. 1, '67	Receipts	Disburse - ments	Bal. Oct. 1, '68
1. Board of Directors -				
General Fund	5,949.74	2,989.61	8,259.16	680.19
2. Dist. Supt. Home	2,258.87	20,810.00	17,905.08	5,163.79
3. Dormitory Fund	755.00	-	-	755.00
4. Moving Fund	106.95	-	570.94	(463.99)
5. Truck Fund	94.20	387.10	133.89	347.41
6. Administration Budget	462.77	19,206.28	19,289.89	379.16
7. Fund to Promote Church Extension	7,772.63	3,884.10	3,685.20	7,971.53
8. Upper Macungie Town- ship Property Fund (9,671.20)		36,306.38	20,289.78	6,345.40
9. Special Contributions	373.83	1,134.79	1,450.00	58.62
10. Revolving Loan Fund	2,255.13	11,244.87	13,500.00	-
11. Ministers' Retire.	11,770.20	30,947.33	35,133.80	7,583.73
12. Board of Church Ext.	12,553.42	56,957.84	55,906.57	13,604.69
13. Board of Mizpah Grove	7,141.26	26,819.48	16,963.74	16,997.00
14. Com. Publication & Printing	2,946.27	2,639.00	2,145.16	3,440.11
15. Com. S. S. Promotion	2,210.55	1,599.00	1,664.60	2,144.95
16. Board of Victory V.	3,661.14	26,112.30	24,570.72	5,202.72
17. Board for B. F. C. Home (6.86)		47,597.40	47,590.54	-
18. Sale of Mizpah Grove	-	158,400.00	158,400.00	-
19. Pinebrook Fund	-	179,202.96	179,202.96	-

Balance deposited in Conference Fund Account in 1st.
National Bank of Allentown, Pa. \$ 70,210.31

20. Board of Foreign M. 37,144.64 160,908.82 164,941.97 33,111.49

Deposited in Board of Foreign Missions account in 1st
National Bank of Allentown, Pa. \$ 33,111.49

For Ministers' Retirement Fund:

On Deposit in Savings Account with Red Hill
Savings and Loan Association, Emmaus, Pa. 1,198.10

Savings Certificates with 1st Pa. Bank & Trust
Company, Philadelphia, Pa. 20,000.00

For Board of Foreign Missions:

Saving Certificates with Fidelity Bank of Phila. Pa. 76,000.00

Reconcilement of Ledger Balance with Bank Statement for Con-
ference Fund Account with 1st National Bank, Allentown, Pa.

Balance on Bank Statement of Sept. 30, 1968 69,723.62

Board of Director Checks paid by bank but not charged in Sept., 1968, accounts		
#714	11.50	
#715	9.75	21.25
		<hr/> 69,744.87
Deposits in Oct., 1968, included in Sept. Ledger A/c		7,877.89
		<hr/> 77,622.76
Checks in Transit as of Sept. 30, 1968		7,412.45
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Treasurer's Ledger Balance	\$	70,210.31

Reconcilement of Board of Foreign Missions Account with 1st
National Bank of Allentown, Pa.

Balance on Bank Statement of Sept. 30, 1968	30,847.80
Deposit in Oct. 1968, included in Sept. ledger A/c	9,520.49
	<hr/> 40,368.49
Checks in transit as of Sept. 30, 1968	7,257.00
Treasurer's Ledger Balance	<hr/> 33,111.49

(Byron C. Cassel, Acting Treasurer)

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION COMMITTEE

"Him we preach and proclaim, warning and admonishing every one and instructing every one in all wisdom, in comprehensive insight into the ways and purposes of God, that we may present every person mature-full grown, fully initiated, complete and perfect, in Christ." Ampl. Col. 1:28.

This past year much time has been spent in preparing a more comprehensive program for the Sunday Schools and the realm of Christian Education. This was initiated by having a joint meeting with the Sunday School Promotion and Youth Fellowship General Committees to explore related areas of Christian Education. One result of the joint meeting was the unique program of the past Sunday School Convention, which had strong youth and adult emphases. The Convention was well attended; many complimentary remarks were made by those who attended.

The visual aids library has continually supplied our schools with film strips this past year. The past year the committee appropriated \$300 for needed equipment and some of the new split 35mm filmstrips were added to the visual aids library.

We recommend, that every Bible Fellowship Sunday School make a contribution for denominational Sunday School promotion. This contribution should be mailed to the Financial Secretary of the Committee before April 1, 1969.

There has been much expression concerning overlapping of responsibilities between the Sunday School Promotion and Youth Fellowship General Committees and we realize coordination is

essential between the two committees. Also in order to have a comprehensive Christian Education program in the denomination we request the eighty-fifth Annual Conference approve the following recommendations to implement the Christian Education program:

1. We recommend that the first reading of the following proposed legislation be adopted by this conference.

RESOLVED, that the Sunday School Promotion Committee be dissolved as of the 86th Annual Conference, and further

RESOLVED, that Annual Conference elect a Board of Christian Education composed of six ministers and six laymen to oversee the work of Christian Education throughout the Bible Fellowship Church. The twelve members of this Board of Christian Education shall be comprised of three classes of two ministers and two laymen, respectively, each class to be elected annually in turn for a term of three years. (To initiate the proposed, two ministers and two laymen shall be elected for a three-year term, two ministers and two laymen shall be elected for a two-year term, and two ministers and two laymen shall be elected for a one-year term).

2. We recommend that Annual Conference consider a joint report of the Youth Fellowship General Committee and the Sunday School Promotion Committee further detailing the above proposal.

3. We recommend that the treasury balance of the Sunday School Promotion Committee be turned over to the Board of Christian Education.

4. We recommend that every church make an annual contribution to the work of the Board of Christian Education at the Adjourned Session of Annual Conference. (We suggest the contribution from each church be at least equal to the combined offerings for Youth Fellowship General Committee and the Sunday School Promotion Committee).

FINANCIAL REPORT Conference Year 1967 - 1968

Balance from previous year	\$ 2,210.55
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Receipts:

Offerings from schools	1,107.20	
Convention offering		
Adult Section	257.63	
Youth Section	34.17	
	1,399.00	
		3,609.55

Expenditures:

Convention expenses including printing, speakers, honor- ariums, etc.	710.40	
Catered luncheon for Youth	99.78	
Postage, phone, mileage	274.82	
Printing and promotion	29.60	
Berean Visual Aids Library	300.00	
Fellowship News contribution	50.00	<u>1,464.60</u>
Balance in Treasury - Aug.31, 1968		2,144.95

(A. L. Seifert, Earl M. Hosler, James G. Koch, Raymond R. Dotts, Keith Plows, David J. Watkins, James R. Cressman, Glenn W. Sheats, William R. Hunsberger, John F. Boyle, Robert Truett Norman L. Reed, committee).

REPORT OF THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MINISTERIAL CONVENTION

The Seventy-Seventh Ministerial Convention convened on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 21 and 22, 1968 at Victory Valley Bible Camp.

The officers of the Convention were Daniel G. Ziegler, Chairman and Harold C. Weaber, Secretary. The program for the Convention was planned by the Board of Church Extension.

On Tuesday morning, the Convention opened with singing and Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., led in prayer. The theme of the Convention was Evangelism and Church Growth. Two papers were presented by Donald Knauer, "A Study of the Greatest Growth Period in Bible Fellowship Church History" and Donal Nilson, "Why Has Bible Fellowship Church Growth Slowed and Stopped Since 1950?" These papers were followed by a discussion period moderated by James Koch.

In the Tuesday afternoon meeting two papers were presented by Willard Cassel, "Let's Analyze Our Successes: A Look at Churches That Have Grown and Produced Leaders in the Last 20 Years" and Jansen E. Hartman, "Why Did They Die?" An Analysis of Factors in the Demise of Bible Fellowship Churches?" William A. Heffner moderated a discussion period on these papers. Donald T. Kirkwood then presented a paper, "Is This the Time to Expect Bible Fellowship Church Growth?" This paper was followed by a discussion period moderated by John Dunn.

There were two papers presented in the Tuesday evening meeting. Harold Shelly, Jr., presented a paper, "Comparison of Growth of the Bible Fellowship Church and the United Missionary Church Since 1952" and Carl C. Cassel, "The Bible Fellowship

Church in the Cities(100,000 plus population)". A discussion period followed which was moderated by Frank Herb. Then David Watkins presented a paper, "Socio-Economic Factors in Church Growth." Keith Plows moderated a discussion period.

The Wednesday morning session began with a paper presented by Ronald C. Mahurin, "Church Buildings and Growth". Harvey Fritz, Jr., moderated the discussion period following this paper. Two papers were then presented by James A. Beil, "Church Discipline and Growth" and C.E. Kirkwood, "Church Merger and Growth." George Herb moderated the discussion period.

The Wednesday afternoon session began with a tape-recording by Ron Hoyle, "What Can We Learn from Foreign Missions to Help Our Home Churches Grow?" The discussion period was moderated by Russell T. Allen. The business of the Convention was conducted and the various Committees submitted reports.

A resolution was accepted that the next Ministerial Retreat be held at Pinebrook on May 20 and 21, 1968. Earl Hosler was elected chairman. A motion was passed to elect a vice-chairman to serve on the committee and to be chairman of the 1970 Convention. Bruce A. Ellingson was elected. Paul Zimmerman was elected secretary. Mark Smith and Keith Plows were elected to the program committee.

A paper was presented by John H. Herb, "How Can the Ingrown Church Begin to Grow Out." John Riggall moderated the discussion period.

The Wednesday evening meeting was a period of discussion and prayer for the spiritual and numerical growth of the Bible Fellowship Churches.

A word of appreciation is expressed for the delicious meals that were prepared and served by the members of the Zionsville Bible Fellowship Church.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Funds allocated from the Conference Budget	421.90
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Expenditures:

Committee expenses	7.20	
Publicity	26.80	
Food		
Mrs. Heist	63.72	
Earl Godshall	<u>174.75</u>	238.47
Postage	5.12	
Secretary's Honorarium	2.00	

Hostess Honorarium	20.00
Duplication of Reports	<u>122.31</u>

Total expenses	421.90
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Balance	0.00
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(Daniel G. Ziegler, Chairman; Harold C. Weaver, Secretary)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL CANDIDATES

The Ministerial Candidate Committee met twelve times during year, interviewing and administering Faith and Order examinations to Bible Fellowship Church pastors who are under our care, consulting with other committees, boards and officials of the Bible Fellowship Church in reference to mutual responsibilities, and enlisting and screening candidates for the ministry of the Bible Fellowship Church who give evidence of being born of the Spirit, called by God to the ministry, equipped for service, and in agreement with the Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church. This Committee calls upon our people to pray that God might supply worthy candidates for our ministry, and that we might be directed by God in fulfilling all of our responsibilities.

Bible Fellowship Churches that could benefit from part time student assistance are invited to consult with the Ministerial Candidate Committee in regard to men who are presently training for ministry in the Bible Fellowship Church and who may be available for weekend or summer employment. The Committee will supply our churches with names of men suitable for full time Assistant Pastorates w en such men are available, and will co-operate with the Church Extension Department to supply men to churches that are attempting to open new Bible Fellowship Churches in their locality.

The following men were recommended to the Credentials Committee for examination for ordination: Paul B. Kuder and Keith E. Plows.

The Committee recommends recognition of the following men in their respective stages of development:

Probationers:

Donald Barnhart, Miller Heights, Pa.	1968
David L. Branning, Walnutport, Pa.	1967
Leonard E. Buck, Republic of South Africa	1958
Brian H. Butler, Catasauqua, Pa.	1968
Richard J. Gehman, Kenya, East Africa	1964
Ronald Jansen, Finesville, New Jersey	1967
Paul B. Kuder, Easton, Pa.	1966
William Mull, Sunbury, Pa.	1968
Keith E. Plows, Philadelphia, Pa.	1966

Theodore R. Shelling, Washington, D. C.	1966
Mark T. Smith, Stroudsburg, Pa.	1967
* Austin Sullivan, Nazareth, Pa.	1964
LeRoy Wilcox, Scranton, Pa.	1968
Paul G. Zimmerman, Philadelphia, Pa.	1966

* Granted a one year leave of absence.

Candidates:

Arthur H. Frable, Souderton, Pa.
 William M. Franklin, Maple Glen, Pa.
 David. L. Manney, Ecquador

Applicants:

Timothy Baker, York, Pa.
 William H. Bartron, Stroudsburg, Pa.
 Douglas Bowne, Staten Island, New York
 Terris Byrd, Cannonsburg, Pa.
 Thomas Crossman, Allentown, Pa.
 William Duane, Denville, New Jersey
 Larry Gradwohl, Nazareth, Pa.
 Gary Hoffman, Catasauqua, Pa.
 Charles E. Kramer, Spring City, Pa.
 George F. Lee, Venezuela
 Ivan H. Martin, Seven Valley, Pa.
 Robert Minnig, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Roger Reitz, Shamokin, Pa.
 Jonathan D. Reynolds, Thompkinsville, Pa.
 Paul Reynolds, Thompkinsville, Pa.
 Abram H. Snavelly, Bath, New York
 Harold E. Snyder, Crum Lynne, Pa.
 Carl K. Spackman, Mt. Carmel, Pa.
 John Vandegriff, Jr., Boonton, New Jersey
 Dana Weller, Aristes, Pa.
 Larry Yerger, Detroit, Michigan

(Carl C. Cassel, Chairman; David J. Watkins, Secretary; Russell T. Allen, James A. Beil, Earl M. Hosler, Committee).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PUBLISH FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Though each year seems to be at the potential peak for new subscribers, the coming year reflects continued interest in the paper. This year is no exception! Circulation rose from 1466 to 1504 with copies going to 18 Foreign Countries, 33 states and the District of Columbia.

The Committee wishes to express its appreciation to the sub-editors and the local reporters who have been part of the lifeline of the paper.

We propose the following recommendations:

1. That the month of January be designated as subscription month and each pastor be urged to encourage subscriptions among the families of his congregation.

2. Donations be given from the following boards and committees:

Board of Foreign Missions	\$ 50.00
Board of Church Extension	50.00
Board of Directors of Berean Bible School	50.00
Sunday School Promotion Committee	50.00
Committee on Publication and Printing	400.00

Checks should be made payable to Fellowship News and sent to the Treasurer no later than February 1, 1969.

FINANCIAL

Balance - Business Manager		
8/31/67	\$ 107.63	
Treasurer 9/9/67	52.97	
Saving & Loan	<u>1,000.00</u>	
		\$ 1,160.60

Receipts:

Subscriptions	\$ 2,989.40	
Donations: S.S. Promotion		
Com., Church Extension,		
Berean, Board of Foreign		
Missions, Publication and		
Printing Committee	600.00	
Refund on stencils	6.70	
Interest	<u>60.24</u>	3,656.34
Total Receipts and Balances		\$ 4,816.94

Expenditures:

Printing 12 issues of News	2,678.06	
Business Manager Exp.	160.58	
Honorariums for Bus. Manager		
and Editor	225.00	
Refunds	32.50	
Committee expenses	26.74	
Promotional expenses	<u>12.48</u>	
Total Expenses		3,135.36

Balance - Business Manager	110.65		
Treasurer	110.69		
Savings & Loan	<u>1,460.24</u>		
(9/13/68)		\$	<u>1,681.58</u>
Total Expenses & Year End Balances		\$	4,816.94

(Robert W. Smock, Chairman; William R. Hunsberger, Secretary; Paul T. Rutman, Treasurer; David E. Thomann, Editor; R.C. Reichenbach, Business Manager, Committee).

FELLOWSHIP NEWS PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1969

Income		\$	2,880.00
Donations:			
Sunday School Promotion Committee,			
Berean Bible School, Board of Foreign			
Missions, Church Extension Board,			200.00
Board of Publication			<u>400.00</u>
Total Proposed Income		\$	<u>3,400.00</u>
Expenses:			
Printing 12 Issues	\$	2,275.00	
Honorariums		225.00	
Secretarial Expenses		100.00	
Typewriter Maintenance		50.00	
Editors Expenses		450.00	
Postage		110.00	
Business Manager Expenses		115.00	
Equipment		<u>75.00</u>	
Proposed Expenses			3,400.00

(Paul T. Rutman, Treasurer, R.C. Reichenbach, Business Manager).

CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

"...There we saw the giants..."Numbers 13:33a

"...We are well able to overcome..."Numbers 13:30b

God gave command to Moses to search the land of Canaan during one of the most crucial periods in the history of Israel. After forty days of searching out the land the representatives from the various tribes reported their findings to Moses and the congregation of Israel.

Someone has said, "You will always find what you are looking for." The testimony of the spies verified this statement. The majority looked for the negative aspects and saw obstacles and adversities. The longer they searched the more they found and the larger they loomed before them until finally they all appeared as

giants stalking the land. Men of poor spiritual perception always possess that unique ability to make mountains out of molehills. They completely miss spiritual blessings apparent to others due to preconceived ideas which cannot be eradicated from their minds.

After the spies magnified the obstacles they proceeded to minimize their own abilities and completely failed to reckon on the omnipotence of God who had promised to enable them to overcome all difficulties involved in subduing their enemies. In the midst of the resulting confusion it was the minority that had complete confidence in God's ability to bring victory.

World news media confirms the fact that we live in confused and changing time. Political, cultural and moral concepts are being eroded by reaction and rebellion. Newsweek recently reported that national morals had slipped more in the past year than in the fifty preceding years.

But God's Truth is eternal. Man's need for the Gospel is still a matter of life and death. The work of Christ remains the only endeavor of everlasting consequence. There is nothing more worthy of our disciplined prayer and earnest service than the ministry which God has committed to His people.

The outlook of the Church on the future has always been different from the view of non-christian leaders. The expressions of the world leaders lead their followers to say; "Let's eat, drink and enjoy free sex, for tomorrow we will rise in a nuclear cloud or be smothered by the weight of overpopulation. The scientist-inventor Ulric Jelinik visited a college where he and the agnostic Julian Huxley spoke to students. He said, "I listened to Huxley present a dreary picture of the future. He made me feel like digging a hole and crawling in and drawing the shades."

The church has often been accused of being indifferent toward grim realities. However, history proves that in the darkest periods the church has led the way in meeting human need. The concerned Christian does not say, "The world is on the way to destruction, I'll just remain indifferent and see God's Word proved true since there is nothing I can do. The truly dedicated servant of Christ will recognize the world situation and seek to meet the needs of those about him in the strength of Christ. In a day of moral indifference our Bible Fellowship Church has a greater responsibility than ever to meet the needs of men with the truths of God's Word.

The most important advance by the Bible Fellowship Church this past year was the acquisition of Pinebrook after many months of discussion and negotiations with the Pinebrook Foundation. The purchase price finally agreed upon was four hundred thousand dollars which included the land, buildings and a large amount of furnishings. The adjoining farm owned by Richard Crawford was

also purchased for sixty thousand dollars, bringing the total land area purchased to approximately 185 acres.

The enthusiastic response to the "open house" on Labor Day by members and friends of the Bible Fellowship Church was overwhelming with over three thousand visiting Pinebrook throughout the day. We want to express our appreciation for the wonderful volunteer labor donated by many individuals and church groups before and after Labor Day.

Throughout the fall, winter and spring seasons week-end retreats for young people and married couples are being conducted at Pinebrook by various church groups. By the beginning of October reservations were made completely filling the present facilities from the end of December until nearly the end of March. In addition some reservations have been made in all other months until the close of June. Reduced rates are offered to groups from the Bible Fellowship Church. A full program of Bible Conference-type ministry is being planned for the months of July and August.

On Saturday, September 14 a service of dedication was held at our new Home for the Aging at Nazareth, Pa. We are grateful that our God has enabled us to erect this beautiful edifice. The Administrator, Rev. F. B. Hertzog and his wife have gone far beyond the call of duty in meeting the challenge and responsibility involved in this undertaking. We also appreciate the fine staff obtained for the commencement of this phase of our work.

The attendances at Mizpah Grove this summer exceeded that of previous years, as people realized that this was the final encampment at this location. During the two weeks of meetings there were many who indicated their desire for spiritual help and some of these made profession of faith in Christ. In addition those attending the meetings continually spoke of blessings received and a larger number of letters were received than in any recent year testifying of needs met and spiritual growth experienced as God's Word was proclaimed. Those who attended will long remember the memorable closing service as we reflected on the Lord's mercies bestowed upon us in the past and rejoiced in the prospects for the future.

The Mizpah Grove property has been sold to the Allentown School District and the funds received have been applied toward the purchase price of Pinebrook.

A nationally known corporation had expressed interest in purchasing our property located in Upper Macungie Township and prepared an agreement of sale. Later this offer was withdrawn. Presently Lehigh's Economic Advancement Project has expressed an interest in this property and presented to the Board of Directors a sales agreement with the intent to develop an industrial park in this area. The final settlement is contingent upon the availability

of an adequate supply of water and proper sewer facilities. These must be provided by the township or the city of Allentown. The sales agreement requires that forty per cent of the purchase price shall be paid when settlement takes place. If this sale is completed the proceeds from the settlement will be applied towards our present indebtedness on this property and the purchase of Pinebrook.

Each year we have cause for thanksgiving as we learn of local churches engaging in new building programs and other major improvements to properties. Some of the recent developments include the following:

ALLENTOWN (Bethel) is proceeding with the purchase of several properties south of their present church which will provide excellent room for expansion and future parking. They are also planning to make some needed renovations to the parsonage together with redecorating.

BETHLEHEM - After numerous vexing delays work has commenced on their new church edifice which will be located at the outskirts of the city. The eight acres of land at the building site will also provide an adequate parking area.

BLANDON renovated and redecorated their parsonage prior to Pastor Kirkwood's moving last fall. Most of the work was performed by men and women from the congregation resulting in a minimum expenditure of funds.

CATASAUQUA also renovated and completely redecorated their parsonage prior to the arrival of Pastor Butler. In addition they furnished the house since the Pastor's family came from England. Presently they are completing work on their lower church building to provide proper facilities for additional Sunday School class rooms. Several men from this congregation have done most of the work on these projects.

DENVILLE has continued to experience the Lord's blessing in numerical growth and urgently needs additional space for parking. They are now considering the possibility of purchasing one of the properties adjacent to their present building.

HARLEYSVILLE - This congregation for many years worshipped in a small structure with very limited space for their Sunday School program. They are eagerly looking forward to the dedication of their new building on November 24. It is located on the tract of land where their parsonage is presently located.

HARRISBURG has enjoyed steady growth through the years since they moved to the excellent location in the northern section of this capitol city. Permission has been granted by the city officials to proceed with a large addition to their present structure which will

provide additional space for Christian Education facilities and an expanded sanctuary.

PARADISE church is located on a busy highway and possesses one of the most beautiful sanctuaries in the Bible Fellowship Church. The men from the church donated their time and put a new roof on this building making the outside of the building very attractive.

ROYERSFORD continues to rejoice in the Lord's blessing experienced and is now proceeding with their building program at a good location on the outskirts of this community.

STROUDSBURG has recently taken formal action at a congregational meeting to renovate and redecorate the interior of their church building.

WALLINGFORD continues to experience rapid growth requiring additional space. They recently acquired the property north of their present location containing over an acre of land and a spacious stone ranch house for sixty thousand dollars. This house is now being utilized for Sunday School classes and youth activities. They also plan to provide an apartment for missionary couples on furlough.

FINANCIAL

Receipts:

Balance from last year	\$ 1,531.22	
Received from Church Extension	<u>13,080.00</u>	
		14,611.22

Expenditures:

A. Appropriations:

Paradise	2,100.00	
Sinking Spring	1,560.00	
Stroudsburg	1,620.00	
Zionsville	<u>1,800.00</u>	7,080.00

B. Miscellaneous:

Assistance to Churches	2,291.94	
Assistance to Pastors	2,317.43	
Mileage & Meals for Pastors	352.37	
Telephone	627.25	
Printing	<u>15.91</u>	
		5,604.90
Balance	<u>1,926.32</u>	
		14,611.22

A. L. Seifert

REPORT OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION DIRECTOR

The Lord said unto Joshua after the death of Moses, "I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. Be strong and of a good courage...." This message is still the source of strength for men today. It is very evident as we see these pastors and their families at work for Christ that the day of sacrifice and dedication is not passed.

A cooperative spirit prevailed as the Church Extension Board met throughout the year. Many hours were spent in planning for the future of Church Extension for the Conference.

I represented Church Extension in thirteen of the Bible Fellowship Churches as well as in the Berean Bible School. When the request came in November for the Department to try and establish a church in the Phillipsburg Prospect Street Mission, the Board asked me to assume that responsibility. At the date of this writing the prospect for the continuation of this work is questionable.

BELVIDERE, NEW JERSEY

The Church at Belvidere, New Jersey, saw another good year under the leadership of pastor John Herb. The evangelistic endeavors were blessed by the Lord. Several have made professions of faith through the year. There were 96 enrolled in the Vacation Bible School. Women's Missionary Society and the Youth Fellowship were started this year. The driveway and parking area have been improved. The people have contributed two thousand dollars more to the work this year than last year.

FINESVILLE, NEW JERSEY

This year has been a time of testing for both Pastor and Congregation but the blessings of God likewise have fallen. Seven new members were received into the church fellowship and a Bible Club was started in Kitnersville with 15 children in attendance of whom four have received Christ as their Saviour. Once a month the youth distribute literature throughout Finesville and the surrounding areas. Wedding bells rang on May 18, 1968 when Pastor Jansen and Miss Linda Richards were united in holy matrimony. May God grant this couple a fruitful ministry as they serve Him together.

MACUNGIE, PA.

The Macungie congregation received their new Pastor and family last October most graciously. Pastor Weiss has applied himself in a very commendable way and God is blessing the work in this small community. A visitation program and Youth program were inaugurated during the year.

The outside of the church has been painted and a new roof put on. As Pastor and people work together let us pray that God will grant a harvest of souls for His name sake.

MILLER HEIGHTS, PA.

Miller Heights saw another very successful Released Time School for the second year. This gives many new contacts for the church and Sunday School.

Pastor Austin B. Sullivan, Jr., felt lead of the Lord to labor in another type of work and submitted his resignation July 14, 1968. Let us pray for the Sullivans as they labor in the will of the Lord for their lives.

Pastor Donald Barnhart, who has served under Pastor Carl C. Cassel in the Allentown Church since last October, has assumed the pastoral responsibilities at Miller Heights. We trust the Lord will use both Pastor and people for His glory.

MILLERSVILLE, PA.

Pastor Harold C. Weaver and family have labored on this field for the past three years and his earnest desire is to see God do a real work in the hearts of this church and community. An evangelistic endeavor was carried out during the year. June the fourth saw a number of pastors from the Bible Fellowship Churches gather in Millersville to conduct a house to house canvass. We trust some results will come from all the labor put on this field. Will you pray to that end?

WALNUTPORT, PA.

The Walnutport congregation continued to make more improvements during this year. Pastor and Mrs. Branning have applied themselves to the task before them and they are loved by all ages in the church. Will you join them in praying for an outpouring of God's Spirit upon the work?

Pastor and Mrs. Smock conducted a very successful Vacation Bible School during the inbetween week of Camp Meeting. May the Lord use all of these efforts for His glory.

Before I submit my financial report, I want to thank each one for your prayers and praise God for His divine protection over me as I traveled many thousand miles.

After much prayer and careful consideration, I felt it necessary to submit my resignation to the Bible Fellowship Church effective as of August 15, 1968. The Lord has lead me to accept a call to

pastor a church outside the Bible Fellowship denomination. The Church Extension Department will be remembered and we pray that God will grant each one a fruitful ministry. Our prayers also go with brother Daniel G. Ziegler as he serves as the Interim Director of Church Extension. May the wisdom of God and the power of the Holy Spirit be his constant experience.

FINANCIAL

Receipts

Balance October 5, 1967	\$	473.98	
Received from the Board		2,818.59	
Phone Toll Calls		33.56	
Phillipsburg Church offerings		759.38	
Year books		3.00	
Misc.		81.00	
Total			\$ 4,169.51

Expenditures

Special Appropriation	\$	15.75
Assisting Churches		235.39
Director's Travel		1,148.80
Parsonage Repairs		194.46
Repairing Equipment		45.85
New Projects		749.56
Postage		37.53
Church Extension Board Meals		28.00
Literature		17.00
Office Supplies		21.25
Electric - Parsonage & P'burg Church		126.27
Fuel Oil - " " "		419.91
Phone " " "		162.17
Water and Sewer " "		95.08
Pastors Travel and Meals		130.91
Oil Burner Service		15.00
Misc.		12.00
Total	\$	3,454.93

Balance August 2, 1968		714.58	
			\$ 4,169.51

- Earl M. Hosler, Director

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF BEREAN BIBLE SCHOOL

Ours is the task of keeping a treasure - a treasure of knowledge and truth, committed to our care - a heritage of the received Word of God given to the Lord's people for their salvation and preservation. Paul wrote in this vein saying, "O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and

oppositions of science falsely so called: which some professing have erred concerning the faith." (I Timothy 6:20, 21) Berean Bible School was called into existence for the sake of the truth, and the educating and training of young Christians in that truth. With this in mind we shall seek to render in part an account of that stewardship.

ENROLLMENT

Again this fall the number of registrants exceeded the record of the year before. Forty-three full-time and twenty-four in the special student category brought the enrollment in the collegiate division to sixty-seven. The evening school also had a record enrollment of forty-one in the Evangelical Teacher Training Association sanctioned courses.

The scheduling of courses in the evening has made it possible for those who are not able to attend the classes held in the day to begin or continue their education.

FINANCES

The financial support of Berean by the sponsoring church, the Bible Fellowship Church, has reached a new high. Church giving, including Sunday School, came to \$32,429. for the fiscal year which ended June 30, 1968. We are grateful for this display of concern for the continued ministry of the school by our constituency. However, while giving by the church exceeded the budgeted amount by \$4,429. the total allotted from other sources fell short by \$6,682. This coupled with a deficit of \$9,250 in school income and soaring costs brought us into our first operational deficit in recent years. This deficit amounted to \$7,058. Since the school had no cash reserves it was necessary to borrow \$13,500 to meet current expenses to date. It is hoped that in the providence of God that this problem will be eliminated in the near future.

During the past fiscal year \$4,327 was spent on fixed assets and the new plant fund.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Christian service is one of the most important departments of Berean Bible School because of its ministry to the church and community. Every student is required to become involved in some phase of witness and ministry before the completion of his training. Faculty members also participate either in a supervisory capacity or in serving where their services are requested. Scores of assignments are carried out with hundreds in attendance at these events each week. Among the activities conducted besides the convocations sponsored by the school are Gospel Team meetings, a campus Bible Club, Youth for Christ Bible Clubs and musical group activities, Cedarbrook services, rescue mission services,

leadership in Christian Service Brigade and Pioneer Girls units, counseling at retreats and evangelistic campaigns, assistant to the pastor, teaching Sunday School classes, and the personal witness by word, tract and Scripture distribution. During the summer months students forego more lucrative jobs to give their time and talents to camp ministries, Child evangelism and other varied forms of service. We are grateful to know that in this area the requests for assistance often surpass our ability to meet the demand.

The Christian Service ministry is expressive of the continued evangelistic emphasis of the School. While the educational and training program looks forward to the greater future usefulness of the students, yet present concerns demand our attention and efforts. Many now serving as pastors, missionaries and leaders had their taste of personal and public witnessing for Jesus Christ while students at Berean. This past year it was the same. The emphasis is upon the practical application of the principles received through the classroom instruction with a view toward giving confidence through meaningful service. Christian Service with evangelism is the keynote that will always be a part of the Berean program.

DEVELOPMENT

There are several areas that come under the heading of development since they pertain to the future of Berean.

The first is that of the new campus and facilities. The Board has through several of its members participated in the work of the Planning Committee for the Development of the New Conference Center. The work of this committee resulted in the recommendation that the Pinebrook Bible Conference Grounds be purchased as a new site for Berean Bible School and the Bible Conference ministry. This purchase has been authorized by the Annual Conference action and settlement has been made so Berean will have a new campus when the fall term opens in September 1969. Much work lies ahead in planning and making the accommodations necessary to make the facilities suitable for educational uses. We accept this move as being the Lord's will for the school at this time and look forward enthusiastically to the great possibilities that lie ahead for its expansion.

The second is the academic recognition. The quest for greater recognition of Berean as an institution of higher education was vigorously pushed forward on two fronts this past year. Since it was ten years since the initial examination was made by the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges, Berean was scheduled for an examination this past year. A self-study was completed and a team of examiners arrived on campus last April. The examiners report has been received and work is being done to carry out the recommendations made. While many departments of the school were given approval the suggestion made will aid greatly in the

strengthening of Berean as an institution.

For several years now we have also been in consultation with members of the Bureau of Institutional Studies and Services of the Department of Public Instruction, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the purpose of seeking approval to petition the courts of Lehigh County to amend our charter to incorporation to provide authorization to grant degrees. Our first step is to seek authorization to grant associate degrees for our present programs. This action is recommended in a communication to this body by the Board of Directors.

The benefits of the authorization for the power to grant associate degrees are many. However, we would like to list a few of these:

1. Berean Bible School would be recognized as a collegiate institution by the government. The school would then be listed along with other junior colleges as a bonafide institution of higher education operating within the framework of the requirements of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

2. The associate degree awarded would be more expressive of the standard of work completed than a general diploma. The requirements for the honor would be according to general standards and practices of other institutions of like standing. The degree itself would depend upon the programs approved.

3. Approval of Berean to offer programs for which authorization is given to grant associate degrees is an important step toward greater recognition and accreditation for Berean. Now we are unable to use the word college in our title or in any of our publicity. The word school in our title is confusing. We have been identified as anything from a Sunday school to a collegiate institution.

4. Approval and authorization to grant degrees would be for programs that would provide a base for the further development of Berean. The charter change would be broad enough to provide for degrees on a higher level, providing programs for these degrees are approved by the Department of Public Instruction. After college status has been granted the institution must provide evidence that they have the resources necessary to support each program added. Our first step is to seek approval for the program we now offer and for those within the scope of our resources.

5. The recognition sought when acquired would aid those students who transfer to other colleges to complete the requirements for a baccalaureate degree. While several schools, mostly Christian colleges, now grant transfer credit for work taken at Berean there are other schools where its work has not been recognized because of not being on the list of approved schools in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The value of transfer credit should also be upgraded by the step thus saving students who enroll

at Berean both time and money in their pursuit of a baccalaureate degree.

6. Recognition by the Commonwealth will qualify both the school and students for privileges and benefits now provided by law. Male students can now obtain deferments as theological or ministerial students but not as other college students. Former members of the armed services who attend Berean would be eligible to receive the benefits provided by law. There are other advantages such as loans and grants for which the school may be eligible when approval is obtained.

7. Increasing numbers of high school graduates are enrolling in colleges without career objectives. Berean would be in a position to provide at least the first two years of college work with a Christian life and world view to the uncommitted student. After the first two years of Berean, which are parallel to the first two years of many colleges, the student would be in a better position to make a decision relating to his educational program when his career objectives are known more fully.

8. The obtaining of approval and authorization to grant associate degrees should assist in student recruitment. Student enrollment should increase greatly as a result. While there is no guarantee of this yet it will be to our advantage to be able to advertise programs that eventuate in a standardized honor.

9. The increased emphasis upon education in our modern culture has made the completion of the first two years of college as essential as a high school diploma was a decade ago. Jobs for the non-skilled are disappearing. It can be expected that two years of college will be the minimum requirement for many vocations.

10. The best reason for seeking approval and authorization to grant associate degrees as the immediate step in the development of Berean is that it will enable us to fulfill our educational stewardship to our Lord. We consider the said authorization as a means of reaching the objective set before us or preparing students in all areas of life, with a special reference to church vocations and Christian ministries through a program of Biblical, general and professional studies.

One of the obstacles in the way of gaining fuller recognition by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges in the past has been the limitations of our present physical plant. Preliminary observations of the Pinebrook campus by officials of the two agencies have been favorable. Encouragement has been given to the move to Stroudsburg with an emphasis placed on sound planning and the working out of satisfactory working relationship with the sponsoring church.

The requirements for approval by the Commonwealth of

Pennsylvania are established by law. One of the stipulations is the requirement that each college hold an endowment of no less than \$500,000. The officials have indicated that they will waive this requirement if the following recommendation is carried out by this body - from a letter dated April 4, 1968 - "Also, in order to show continuing financial support in lieu of restricted endowment, a resolution by the fellowship conference to guarantee an annual contribution of \$25,000 is essential."

It is urged that this Annual Conference give attention to this matter. Since the church has given in excess of \$25,000 for the past several years there should be no serious objection to a commitment of this nature.

There are indications that a new day is dawning for the Berean Bible School, we beg you to stand with us in this battle for truth.

- Jansen E. Hartman, President

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

The Board of Directors met to conduct its affairs thirteen times during the fiscal year which began October 1, 1967 and ended September 30, 1968. The officers of the Corporation elected for the year were: President and Chairman, Arlington L. Seifert; Vice-President and Financial Secretary, Bryon C. Cassel; Treasurer, Harold W. Griest, Secretary, Jansen E. Hartman.

The Lord in His providence called home the treasurer, Harold W. Griest during the year. The following resolution is taken from the minutes of the Board:

"Whereas, Brother Harold W. Griest a member of the Grace Bible Fellowship Church, Wallingford, Pa., and a member of the Board of Directors and Treasurer of the Bible Fellowship Church for this past year, departed from this life on April 17, 1968 after an extended illness, therefore be it,

Resolved, that we express our thanksgiving to God for the gift of Harold W. Griest and his faithful service to the church for many years, and further be it,

Resolved, that we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his wife and family with the assurance that our God whose way is perfect will sustain them in this hour of bereavement."

Earl M. Hosler resigned from the Board as of August 15, 1968.

The advice of the Board was sought by several churches relative to the disposition or acquisition of property and the erection of new structures. These included churches in the following locations: Nazareth, Quakertown, Harleysville, Lebanon, Harrisburg and Bethlehem.

The Property Committee made its annual survey of the District Superintendent's home and authorized the making of necessary repairs to keep the property in proper condition.

During the year three ministers withdrew from the Ministers' Retirement Fund pension plan sponsored by the church after accepting calls from other churches. Refunds were paid to Earl M. Hosler, Richard H. Kline and Russell T. Allen.

Settlement was made on the house located at 2340 Union Street, Allentown and sold to Pastor T. D. Gehret.

The Mizpah Grove property was sold to the Allentown School District for \$160,000. The net proceeds of this sale, \$152,152.83, were applied to the purchase of the Pinebrook Bible Conference Grounds.

The Board carried out the assignment of negotiating and financing purchase of the Pinebrook Bible Conference grounds given by the Adjourned Session of the Annual Conference on April 13, 1968. The property with buildings and equipment on 185.3 acres located four miles north of Stroudsburg along highway route #191 was acquired from the Pinebrook Foundation and Richard T. and Elizabeth P. Crawford on August 30, 1968, for a total cost of \$460,000 including \$50,000 for personal property. The purchase was financed through the sale of the Mizpah Grove property, the issuing of a first mortgage of \$160,000 to the First National Bank of Allentown, a second mortgage issued to the Pinebrook Foundation for \$100,000, and unsecured loans of \$51,000 obtained from the First National Bank of Allentown. Total indebtedness at the time of purchase was \$311,000.00.

The Board has made an agreement to sell the Upper Macungie property to Lehigh's Economic Advancement Project, Incorporated for the development of an industrial park. The sale price agreed upon is \$5,000 per acre; forty percent of the total price is to be received when settlement is made, with the balance to be paid as the land is sold to industrial and commercial interest. Eighty percent of the total selling price is guaranteed to be paid within five years and a hundred percent within ten years. A down payment of \$10,000 was received when the agreement of sale was signed by the prospective purchasers.

A mortgage indebtedness of \$135,000 remains on the Upper Macungie tract with about \$100,000 having been paid toward the original purchasing price of the land.

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

Board of Directors

The Conference Administrative Budget for the year beginning on October 1, 1969 is presented herewith:

1. Publication and Printing	\$	500.
2. Conference Entertainment		650.
3. Beneficiary Fund		800.
4. District Superintendent:		
(a) Annual Support		7,350.
(b) Travel and Utility Grant		3,400.
5. District Superintendent's Parsonage		1,500.
6. Ministers' Retirement Fund		5,000.
7. Moving Fund		4,000.
8. Expenses for Boards and Committees while transacting Conference Business		1,000.
9. Other Expenses of Board of Directors		290.
10. Contingencies		500.
11. Ministerial Convention Expenses		400.
12. An Appropriation to be used at the discretion of the District Superintendent		3,000.
	\$	<u>28,390.</u>

Bible Fellowship Church

Statement A.

Balance Sheet (Note 1)
September 30, 1968-1967

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
Statement B - General Funds	\$ 260,367.97	\$ 361,751.93
" D - Fund to Promote Church Ext.	98,875.64	97,790.55
" F - Upper Macungie Township Prop.	242,784.89	226,332.54
" H - Special Contribution Fund	6,436.39	7,000.10
" J - Revolving Loan Fund (Note 2)	13,500.00	13,500.00
" K - Pinebrook	464,820.79	-
" M - Minister's Retire.	115,063.23	117,057.84
Total Assets	\$ 1,201,848.91	\$ 823,432.96

LIABILITIES & NET WORTH

Statement B - General Funds	\$ 48,430.43	\$ 64,324.56
" D - Fund to Promote Church Ext.	28,888.25	28,888.25
" D - Funds held in trust	14,314.55	14,314.55
" F - Upper Macungie Township Prop.	145,000.00	142,500.00
" H - Special Contributions	86.29	-
" J - Revolving Loan Fund	-	-
" K - Pinebrook	312,485.88	-
" M - Ministers' Retire.	-	-
Total Liabilities	\$ 549,205.40	\$ 250,027.36

Net Worth:

Statement B - General Fund	211,937.54	297,427.37
" D - Fund to Promote Church Ext.	55,672.84	54,587.75
" F - Upper Macungie Township Property	97,784.89	83,832.54
" H - Special Contributions	6,350.10	7,000.10
" J - Revolving Loan Fund	13,500.00	13,500.00
" K - Pinebrook	152,334.91	-
" M - Ministers' Retire.	115,063.23	117,057.84
Total Net Worth	<u>652,643.54</u>	<u>573,405.60</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	\$ 1,201,848.91	\$ 823,432.96

Note 1 - This Balance Sheet covers only the funds and obligations directly under the care, custody and control of the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church.

Note 2 - This fund was given to the Board of Directors for its use without interest for ten years. On October 1, 1971, the donor directed that it become the property of the Bible Fellowship Church Home.

Note 3 - In this summary no attempt has been made to eliminate duplications, which exist to a small degree because loans are made between the various funds.

Statement B.

General Funds
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1968-1967

ASSETS

Cash - General Fund	\$ 680.19	\$ 5,949.74
" - Dist. Supt. Parsonage	5,163.79	2,258.87
" - Dormitory Fund	755.00	755.00
" - Moving Fund	(463.99)	106.95
" - Truck Fund	347.41	94.20
" - Administration Budget	379.16	462.77
	\$ <u>6,861.56</u>	\$ <u>9,627.53</u>
Accounts Receivable:		
Berean Bible School	1,647.45	1,647.45
The Home Board	17.78	17.78
Pinebrook	1,050.13	-
Special Contributions Fund	86.29	-
Administration Budget:		
Allentown (Bethel)	150.00	
Bethlehem	180.00	
Catasauqua	60.00	
Fleetwood	78.16	

Harleysville	200.00		
Lehighton	26.50		
Maple Glen	70.00		
Paradise	30.00		
Reading	160.00		
Scranton	150.00		
Shamokin	40.00		
Spring City	50.00		
Sinking Spring	17.00		
Staten Island	25.00		
Sunbury	25.00		
Terre Hill	85.00		
York	<u>133.00</u>	1,479.94	1,244.53
Note Receivable - Victory Valley		5,000.00	5,000.00
Equipment & Furnishings:			
Mizpah Grove		-	1,448.89
Dist. Supt. Parsonage		457.75	457.75
Real Estate:			
1020-24 S. Hall St., Allentown	100,000.00	100,000.00	
South Hall & Cumberland St. All.	16,000.00	16,000.00	
548 Fernwood St., Emmaus, Pa.	22,470.20	22,470.20	
2340 W. Union St., Allentown	-	7,556.93	
1218 E. Rosemont Drive, Bethlehem	21,807.86	21,807.86	
424 Ridge St., Emmaus, Pa.	16,000.00	16,000.00	
Mizpah Grove	-	90,984.00	
Victory Valley	<u>67,489.01</u>	<u>67,489.01</u>	
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$ 260,367.97</u>	<u>\$ 361,751.93</u>

General Funds
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1968-1967

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LIABILITIES & NET WORTH

Accounts Payable:			
Ministers' Retirement	\$	-	1,724.53
Prepayments of Administration Budget:			
Allentown (Salem)	\$ 29.16		-
Blandon	250.00		-
Emmaus	-		462.77
Harrisburg	<u>100.00</u>	379.16	-
Notes Payable:			
Board of Foreign Missions		2,000.00	7,000.00
Berean Bible School Contract		5,000.00	5,000.00
To finance 1218 E. Rosemont Drive:			
Ministers' Retire. Fund		-	13,000.00
Revolving Loan Fund		7,000.00	-
To finance Victory Valley:			

Board of the Home	-	16,000.00
Ministers' Retirement	7,500.00	-
Revolving Loan Fund	6,600.00	-
A Friend	5,000.00	5,000.00
Mortgages Payable:		
First National Bank of Allentown to finance parsonage at Hall and Cumberland Streets	4,001.27	4,587.26
Lehigh Valley Trust Company to finance 548 Fernwood St. Emmaus	11,050.00	11,050.00
Deposit on sale of 2340 W. Union St.	-	500.00
Total Liabilities	\$ 48,430.43	64,324.56
Net Worth September 30, 1967-	297,427.37	
Less: Transfer of equip. from Mizpah Grove to Pinebrook	617.83	
Less: Cash proceeds from Sale of Mizpah Grove	152,152.83	
	<u>144,656.71</u>	
Transferred from Statement C:		
Gain in General Fund	7,805.54	
Loss on sale of 2340 Union St. (862.48)	
Gain on sale of Mizpah Grove	60,337.77	
Net Worth September 30 -	<u>211,937.54</u>	<u>297,427.37</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	<u>260,367.97</u>	<u>361,751.93</u>

Statement C.

General Funds
INCOME STATEMENT
Years Ended September 30, 1968-1967

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
Administration Budget:		
Publication & Print.	1,500.00	\$ 1,330.00
A. C. Entertainment	640.65	630.00
Beneficiary Fund	800.00	730.00
District Supt:		
Annual Support	7,000.00	13,000.00
Travel & Utility	3,400.00	4,800.00
Parsonage	5,215.35	2,250.00
Minister's Retire.	4,000.00	4,942.08
Moving Fund	3,200.00	2,200.00
Expenses of Boards &		
Com. while trans-		
acting Con. business	800.00	700.00
Other Expenses of Board of Directors	290.00	290.00

Contingencies	422.93	-
Ministerial Convention	400.00	300.00
Total Administration Budget	\$ 27,668.93	31,172.08
Reduction in Indebtedness:		
Berean Bible School	585.99	1,874.93
Victory Valley	2,000.00	-
Interest Income	464.20	528.50
Truck Fund Income	387.10	25.00
Administration Income and Don.	-	276.92
Gift of Equity in 548 Fernwood Avenue, Emmaus	-	10,100.00
	<u>\$ 31,106.22</u>	<u>43,977.43</u>

EXPENSES

Administration Budget:		
Publication & Printing	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,330.00
A.C. Entertainment	640.65	630.00
Beneficiary Fund	800.00	730.00
Dist. Superintendent:		
Annual Support	7,000.00	13,000.00
Travel & Utility grant	3,400.00	4,800.00
Parsonage	382.44	1,683.72
Ministers' Retirement Fund	4,000.00	4,942.08
Moving Fund	3,770.94	5,109.69
Expenses of Boards & Committees while transacting Con. business:		
Board of Directors	-	78.24
Credentials Committee	122.45	69.67
Statistical Committee	44.89	24.38
Agenda Committee	11.08	-
Government Committee	129.42	483.93
Pulpit Supply Committee	98.90	52.65
Church Forms Committee	-	52.05
Com. Church Membership	118.67	26.45
Historical Committee	14.60	-
Ministerial Candidate Com.	186.64	196.46
Coordinating Committee	135.95	-
Youth Fellowship General	-	90.32
Nominating Committee	97.55	116.31
	<u>960.15</u>	
Other Expenses:		
Directors:		
Attorney Fees	-	236.72
Stationery	96.95	189.65
Workmen's Com.		
Insurance	124.00	185.38
Postage	14.76	-
Safe Deposit Box Rental	5.00	5.00
	<u>240.71</u>	
Contingencies	50.00	
Ministerial Convention	<u>421.90</u>	-

Total Budget Expenses	23,166.79	
Truck Fund Expenses	<u>133.89</u>	<u>269.77</u>

Total Expenses	23,300.68	34,302.47
Transferred to Statement B.	\$ 7,805.54	\$ 9,674.96

SALE of 2340 W. Union St. Allentown.

Selling Price \$ 18,000.00

Selling Expenses:

Transfer & Revenue

Taxes (199.80)

Recording Deed (7.00)

Insurance refund 24.70

Return of taxes 116.71

Return of water &

Sewer rent 4.71 (60.68)Original Investment (18,801.80)

Net Loss Transferred to Statement B. (862.48)

SALE OF MIZPAH GROVE:

Selling Price \$ 160,000.00

Selling Expenses:

Appraisal 275.00)

Transfer taxes (1,600.00)

Original Invest:

Equip. retired (831.06)

Real Estate (96,956.17) (99,662.23)Net Gain transferred to Statement B. 60,337.77Total Gain of General Funds 67,280.83 9,674.96

Statement D.

Fund to Promote Church Extension

BALANCE SHEET

September 30, 1968-1967

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash	7,840.53	7,772.63
Accounts Receivable:		
Sinking Spring Church	3,000.00	3,000.00
Notes Receivable:		
Belvidere Church	11,000.00	11,000.00
Board of Church Exten. for use		
at Finesville	3,590.00	
Denville Church	10,380.75	10,757.23
Finesville Church	3,786.87	3,931.35
Macungie Church	1,000.00	1,000.00
Miller Heights Church	1,822.19	1,893.23

Mortgages Receivable:		
Mt. Nebo Church, Binghamton	8,387.97	9,087.44
First Newborn Tabernacle, Newark	4,182.64	5,463.98
Real Estate:		
Sinking Spring Church	43,884.69	43,884.69
Total Assets	<u>98,875.64</u>	<u>97,790.55</u>

LIABILITIES & NEW WORTH

Notes Payable -Sinking Spring Loan	3,000.00	3,000.00
Mortgage Payable:		
Peoples Bank & Trust Co. Reading, Pa., on Sinking Spring Church	<u>25,888.25</u>	<u>25,888.25</u>
Total Liabilities	\$ 28,888.25	\$ 28,888.25
Trust Funds for Sinking Spring Church	14,314.55	14,314.55
Reserved to Promote Church Ext. as of Sept. 30, 1967	\$ 54,587.75	
Trans. from Statement E.	<u>1,085.09</u>	
	<u>55,672.84</u>	<u>54,587.75</u>
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	<u>98,875.64</u>	<u>97,790.55</u>

Statement E.

Fund To Promote Church Extension INCOME STATEMENT Years Ended September 30, 1968-1967

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
Interest Income	1,180.29	626.61
Proceeds from Sale of Binghamton Property	-	12,090.78
Total Income	<u>1,180.29</u>	<u>12,717.39</u>
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
Attorney Fees & Expenses	76.94	-
Liquidation of Binghamton P.	-	1,663.18
Satisfaction of " Property	-	3,967.71
Property Insurance	<u>18.26</u>	-
Total Expenses	<u>95.20</u>	<u>5,630.89</u>
Total Gain transferred to Statement D.	<u>1,085.09</u>	<u>7,086.50</u>

Statement F.

Upper Macungie Township Property Fund
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1968 - 1967

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash	\$ 6,345.40	\$ (9,671.20)
Accounts Receivable - Pinebrook	435.75	-
Real Estate - Upper Macungie Township Property	<u>236,003.74</u>	<u>236,003.74</u>
Total Assets	<u>242,784.89</u>	<u>226, 332.54</u>
<u>LIABILITIES & NET WORTH</u>		
Notes Payable - 1st. Nat. Bank of Allentown	135,000.00	142,500.00
Deposit on Agreement to sell Upper Macungie Township Property to Lehigh's Economic Advancement Project, Inc.	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>145,000.00</u>	<u>142,500.00</u>
Net Worth Sept. 30, 1967 -		
Net Worth Sept. 30, 1967	83,832.54	
Gain transferred from Statement G.	<u>13,952.35</u>	
Net Worth Sept. 30 -	97,784.89	83,832.54
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	<u>242,784.89</u>	<u>226,332.54</u>

Footnote - The Upper Macungie Township Property consists of 136.93 acres of farmland together with a dwelling and barn located thereon. It is under agreement of sale to Lehigh's Economic Advancement Project, Inc., for \$5,000.00 an acre.

Statement G.

Upper Macungie Township Property Fund
INCOME STATEMENT
Years Ended September 30, 1968 - 1967

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
Contributions Received	22,985.51	55,365.44

Interest Income	7.18	-
Real Estate Rental	3,400.00	1,480.00
Total Income	<u>26,392.69</u>	<u>56,845.44</u>

EXPENSES

Property Insurance	94.00	-
Interest Expense	7,631.25	4,125.00
Maintenance-Repairs	127.72	119.08
Exp. of Planning Com.	366.87	101.40
Printing & Postage	1,385.42	1,713.74
Property Taxes	<u>2,835.08</u>	<u>900.85</u>
Total Expenses	<u>12,440.34</u>	<u>6,960.07</u>
Gain transferred to Statement F.	<u>13,952.35</u>	<u>49,885.37</u>

Statement H.

Special Contributions Fund
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1968-1967

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash	\$ 58.62	\$ 373.83
Notes Receivable -Miller		
Heights Church	6,377.77	6,626.27
Total Assets	<u>\$ 6,436.39</u>	<u>\$ 7,000.10</u>

LIABILITIES & NET WORTH

Accounts - Payable - General Fund	86.29	-
Total Liabilities	<u>86.29</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Worth Sept. 30, 1967 - \$ 7,000.10		
Loss trans. from		
Statement I.	<u>650.00</u>	
Net Worth Sept. 30 -	6,350.10	7,000.10
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	<u>\$ 6,436.39</u>	<u>\$ 7,000.10</u>

Statement I.

Special Contributions Fund
INCOME STATEMENT
Years Ended September 30, 1968-1967

INCOME

Contributions Received	\$ 800.00	\$ 10,000.00
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EXPENSES:

Contributions distributed to:		
Berean Bible School \$	1,450.00	\$ 6,904.90
Victory Valley	-	500.00
To General Fund	-	5,000.00
Total Expenses	<u>1,450.00</u>	<u>12,404.90</u>
Net Decrease transferred to Statement H.	<u>650.00</u>	<u>2,404.90</u>

Statement J.

Revolving Loan Fund
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1968-1967

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash	\$ -	\$ 2,255.13
Notes Receivable:		
Financing 2340 W. Union St.	-	11,244.87
Financing 1218 E. Rosemont Drive	7,000.00	-
Financing Victory Valley	<u>6,500.00</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Assets	<u>13,500.00</u>	<u>13,500.00</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Liabilities	-	-
Net Worth, Sept. 30, 1967	13,500.00	
Gain or Loss	-	
Net Worth September 30 -	<u>13,500.00</u>	<u>13,500.00</u>
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	<u>\$ 13,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 13,500.00</u>

Footnote - This fund was given to the Board of Directors for its use without interest for ten years. The donors directed that on October 1, 1971, it becomes the property of the Bible Fellowship Church Home.

Statement K.

Pinebrook
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1968

ASSETS

Cash	-
Furniture and Equipment	\$ 50,617.83
Real Estate	414,202.96
	<u>\$ 464,820.79</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Accounts Payable:			
General Fund	1,050.13		
Upper Macungie Township			
Property Fund	<u>435.75</u>	\$	1,485.88
Notes Payable:			
First Nat. Bank, Allentown			51,000.00
Mortgages Payable;			
First Nat. Bank, Allentown			160,000.00
Pinebrook Foundation, Inc.			<u>100,000.00</u>
			312,485.88
Net Worth			<u>152,334.91</u>
Liabilities and Net Worth		\$	464,820.79
			Statement L.

Pinebrook
INCOME STATEMENT
Year Ended September 30, 1968

			<u>1968</u>
<u>INCOME</u>			
Contributions from Mizpah Grove		\$	152,770.66
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
Attorney Fees and Expenses	\$ 400.00		
Printing and Postage	<u>35.75</u>		
Total Expenses			435.75
Net Gain transferred to Statement K.		\$	<u>152,334.91</u>

Statement M.

Ministers' Retirement Fund
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1968-1967

		<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash	\$ 7,583.73	\$	11,770.20
Cash - Savings & Loan A/c	1,198.10		-
Accounts Receivable - Admin. Budget	-		1,244.53
Accrued Interest Receivable	1,832.58		1,020.00
Stocks & Bonds (See footnote)	79,147.04		79,147.04

Notes Receivable:

Berean Bible School	11,000.00	-
Paradise Church	6,192.83	6,596.58
Victory Valley	7,500.00	-
Catasauqua Church	608.95	1,329.49
Lancaster Church	-	2,950.00
1218 E. Rosemont Drive	-	13,000.00
	<u>115,063.23</u>	<u>117,057.84</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Liabilities	-	-
Net Worth, Sept. 30, 1967	117,057.84	
Loss from Statement N.	<u>1,994.61</u>	
Net Worth	<u>115,063.23</u>	<u>117,057.84</u>
Liabilities and Net Worth	\$ 115,063.23	\$ 117,057.84

Footnote: The book value of this portfolio is as follows:

200 shares of Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. pfd. with annual dividend of \$4.50	21,536.81
25 U.S. Treasury Bonds (2 1/2% due 1969)	22,610.23
75 shares of Red Hill Savings & Loan -5%	15,000.00
4 Savings Certificates 1st. Penna. Bank & Trust Company of Philadelphia (5% compounded daily)	<u>20,000.00</u>
	<u>79,147.04</u>

Statement N.

Ministers' Retirement Fund
INCOME STATEMENT
Years Ended September 30, 1968-1967

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
Contributions from churches prebudget		1,876.18
Contributions from Ad- ministration budget	4,000.00	4,942.08
Contributions from Pastors	2,541.27	2,804.40
Dividends	900.00	900.00
Interest Income	3,751.30	3,016.31
Gain on sale of securities	-	84.12
Total Income	<u>\$ 11,192.57</u>	<u>\$ 13,623.09</u>

EXPENSES

Refunds to members who resigned	1,481.30	270.96
Annuities paid	11,705.88	8,704.66
Total Expenses	<u>13,187.18</u>	<u>8,975.62</u>
Net Loss transferred to Statement M.	<u>1,994.62</u>	<u>4,647.47</u>

(A.L.Seifert, Chairman; Byron C.Cassel, Vice President and Financial Secretary; Jansen E. Hartman, Secretary; Harold W. Griest (deceased); Carl C.Cassel, Frank L.Herb, Jr., Earl M. Hosler, Kermit K.Gehman, Paul I.Wentz, Board).

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

(for the year ending September 30, 1968)

"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15

From the very first, the Church has been under orders to evangelize. Never have the orders been more urgent than they are at this present time. Spiritual destitution is apparent on every side. One writer speaks of it as, "our plunge toward the abyss of unbelief". In the lives of many we observe the indifference, the bewilderment, the damaging shadows of despair; and the Church must speak an authoritative and a reinforcing word to the need of the age.

The answer to the ills of mankind do not lie in our views, opinions, or speculations, or arguments, but in a clear, decisive proclamation of the gospel. Our primary calling is not to give good advice, but to publish good news. Hear the words of the apostle Paul: "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." Rom. 1:16

And what is this gospel which we are to preach in all the world? Well, it is set forth plainly in the opening verses of chapter 15 of the first epistle to the Corinthians. "I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; by which also ye are saved.... For I delivered unto you first of all that which also I received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures: And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the Scriptures:" That was the gospel that Paul preached. It is the unchanging gospel which meets the need of the human heart. Here is good news for men estranged from God through sin, and this good news we are commissioned to proclaim.

Here then is the mission of the Church, to proclaim the good news of the redeeming work of Christ, to be His witnesses. Jesus said, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all

Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." How desperately the world needs to hear the good news of the love of God and the redeeming work of Christ on Calvary!

We are living in a world of tragic divisions. There is strife between nations, there is distrust in industry, there are broken homes, there are people unwanted and unloved, and we have the only remedy. All that man's ingenuity can devise has been tried, but the gospel has not been given a real chance. Neither the politician nor the social reformer, admirable though the work of these may be, has the answer to the world's plight; but the gospel is still "the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth."

The closing words of the gospel of Mark are an appropriate conclusion to the Great Commission: "And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following."

As this report of the Board of Foreign Missions is presented, giving an accounting of the money received for the support of the foreign missionary program for the 1967 to 1968 conference year, it is well to pause and consider the financial need of this important ministry. The budget for the year was \$129,500.00. This was met by using the money contributed by all the churches of the conference during the year. In addition to this, the accrued interest, also the \$5,000.00 from the repayment of a loan and all of the previous balance was necessary.

The Board is grateful for the interest manifested in the support of foreign missions, but wishes to call attention to the serious need that exists in determining the budget for next year. Living costs are increasing abroad as well as at home. Our missionaries depend upon us and we do not want to disappoint them. May it be our burden to support this ministry of missions, as God has blessed and prospered. The amount that you give will determine the allowances that will be granted to our workers.

The Board of Foreign Missions met in regular session four times during the year. Members serving on the Board during the year were: A.L. Seifert, Chairman; T.D. Gehret, Secretary; Russell T. Allen, Willard E. Cassel, James G. Koch, Roy E. Williams, James R. Cressman, Kermit K. Gehman and Robert Breitegam.

MISSIONARIES RETURNING TO THE FIELD:

Timothy and Wanda Kauffman with their children, left from Kennedy Airport, New York, on Friday, May 10, 1968. After several weeks of traveling they arrived at Nyunkunde, in the Congo. Their address is: B.P. 304 ETCN, Bunia, Republic of Congo.

Roy and Diane Hertzog with their two children, sailed aboard the S.S. Raffaello, Italian Line, from New York, on Friday, May 24, 1968. They returned to Monte Carlo, Monaco, for their third term with Trans World Radio.

Fred and Janet Venable with their four children left from Kennedy Airport, New York, on Monday, July 29, 1968. They returned to Liberia for their second term with World-Wide Evangelization Crusade.

David and Rosemarie Manney left Costa Rica following their completion of language school, and traveled by plane to Quito, Ecuador, arriving there on August 17, 1968. They are beginning their first term with World Radio Missionary Fellowship.

George and Carol Lee are nearing the completion of their language school in Costa Rica, and are looking forward to going to Venezuela, where they will be engaged in a teaching ministry with the Orinoco River Mission.

MISSIONARIES ON FURLOUGH:

Herbert and Betty Dyke arrived in California the latter part of June 1968. After a time of reunion and fellowship with relatives and friends, they came to Allentown, on Tuesday, September 3, 1968. They are presently living at 424 Ridge St., in Emmaus, Pa. Nancy Dyke is attending Berean Bible School.

Don and Elizabeth Ritter have spent one full term in Sweden and will be on furlough until June 1969. Don arrived in the States on April first and Elizabeth with the boys arrived on May 31. They are living at 419 Elm Street, Emmaus, Pa.

David Solt and family returned to the States on furlough June 15, 1968. They tented with us at Mizpah Grove during the Camp Meetings. Following furlough they plan to explore the possibilities of setting up a Radio Station in Mexico.

Joseph and Lois Hoffman from our Harrisburg Church are presently working with Wycliffe Bible Translators. They have completed the Linguistic Course at Oklahoma, and the Jungle Survival Training in Mexico. They are looking forward to be assigned to some specific foreign field in the near future.

The Hoffmans are listed as Applicants with the Board of Foreign Missions of the Bible Fellowship Church.

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS RECOMMENDS THAT ALL FOREIGN MISSION FUNDS BE FORWARDED TO THE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.
ADDRESS: 2340 Union Street, Allentown, Pa. 18104

The Board is renting the property at 419 Elm Street, Emmaus, for the use of missionaries home on furlough. Don Ritter and family are living there now. The Board also arranged through the Board of Church Extension, to rent the property at 424 Ridge Street, Emmaus. At the present time, the Herbert Dyke family is living there.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The constitution and By-Laws of the Women's Missionary Societies of the Bible Fellowship Church may be found in the printed minutes of the adjourned session of the 78th Annual Conference, adopted April 7, 1962.

The churches with organized Women's Missionary Societies, are doing a commendable work in their local gatherings for prayer and project work. Through the keen interest of these Societies, close contact is kept with the missionaries on the field, and the work at the home base is strengthened.

The Annual Spring Rally was held in our York Bible Fellowship Church. Hundreds came from all points of the conference for this special occasion. Missionaries, Roy and Diane Hertzog, Fred and Janet Venable and Don Ritter, were the speakers.

Regional rallies were held in the Spring and Fall of the year. The rallies were helpful in providing information relating to our missionaries. The word from the missionaries, the fellowship with others, the sharing of experiences and ideas, made these occasions refreshing and stimulating.

- T.D. Gehret, General Secretary

FINANCIAL

INCOME

Received at Annual Conference	\$	37,924.41	
Refunds		265.00	
Board of Directors (Repayment of Loan)		5,000.00	
Letter Campaign		2,010.44	
Interest		2,459.26	
Special contribution		922.31	
Special for Literature Work		269.13	48,850.55
Balance in Treasury Oct. 1, 1967		8,094.03	
Deposited in Bank by Treasurer (H.W.G.)		29,050.61	
Certificates of Deposit		46,000.00	83,144.64
TOTAL	\$		131,995.19

DISBURSEMENTS

Africa Inland Mission	\$	16,980.00	
Christian & Missionary Alliance		11,016.00	
Greater Europe Mission		9,237.00	
Latin America Mission		8,700.00	
North Africa Mission		4,000.00	
Orinoco River Mission		18,380.00	
Overseas Missionary Fellowship		6,600.00	
Scripture Union		2,000.00	
Evangelical Alliance Mission		11,688.00	
Unevangelized Fields Mission		3,180.00	
West Indies Mission		3,804.00	
World Radio Missionary Fellowship		5,856.00	
World-Wide Evangelization Crusade		4,000.00	
Wycliffe Bible Translators		5,122.31	
Trans World Radio		10,200.00	
International Students, Inc.		2,700.00	\$ 123,463.31
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Special for Literature Work(Hatton)		269.13	
Theodore Shelling temporary support		1,250.00	
Fred Venable special allowance		500.00	
David Manney temporary support and passage		1,250.00	
George Lee temporary support and passage		1,000.00	
Year Books		38.00	
Telephone		72.45	
Postage		190.65	
Board Expenses		160.69	
Office Supplies		165.00	
Camp Expenses (Mizpah)		268.23	
Rents		1,210.00	
Fellowship News		110.00	
Secretary		700.00	
Printing		78.20	
Utilities		429.96	
Moving expenses		133.89	
Office help		90.00	
Furniture		238.00	
Contingencies		43.52	8,197.72
TOTAL			\$ 131,661.03
BALANCE in Treasury, Sept. 30, 1968			334.16
			\$ 131,995.19
Loaned to the Board of Directors, \$2,000.00			

The accounts of the Board of Foreign Missions were audited by Robert W. Gehret.

(A.L. Seifert, Chairman; T.D. Gehret, General Secretary; Russell T. Allen, Willard E. Cassel, James G. Koch, Robert Breitegam, James R. Cressman, Kermit K. Gehman; Roy E. Williams, Board).

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCHES

- BAKER, Mr. & Mrs. Sterling, Africa Inland Mission, Kijabe, Kenya,
East Africa
- BIGLEY, Mr. & Mrs. James, Litein via Kericho, Kenya, East Africa
- BUCK, Mr. & Mrs. Leonard, P.O. Box 3255, Johannesburg, TVL,
South Africa
- CAMPBELL, Dr. William F. 43 Marshan, Tangiers, Morocca
- CHAPONNIERE, Mr. & Mrs. Paul, B. P. 4242, Kinshasa, Republic
of Congo
- DYKE, Mr. & Mrs. Herbert, 424 Ridge Street, Emmaus, Pa. 18049
- FISHER, Mr. & Mrs. Hubert, 730 Shin Kotoni Machi, Sapporo,
Hokkaido, Japan
- GEHMAN, Mr. & Mrs. Richard, P.O. Box 49, Machakos, Kenya,
East Africa
- GORDON, Mr. & Mrs. Robert, Apartado 75, San Cristobal,
Venezuela
- HARLEY, Mr. & Mrs. J. Barclay, Apartado 75, Ciudad Bolivar,
Venezuela
- HATTON, Mr. & Mrs. Howard, Thailand Bible House, 150 N.
Sathorn Rd., Bangkok, Thailand
- HERTZOG, Mr. & Mrs. Roy, Box 141, Monte Carlo, Monaco
- HOFFMAN, Mrs. Aaron, P.O. Ukarumpa, E.H.D., Territory of
New Guinea
- HOYLE, Mr. & Mrs. Ron, 2 rue des Francs Muriers, Amiens,
Somme, France
- KASSAY, Miss Harriet, Apartado 1307, San Jose, Costa Rica
- KAUFFMAN, Mr. & Mrs. Timothy, B.P. 304 ETCN Nyankunde,
Bunia, Republic of Congo
- LEE, Mr. & Mrs. George F., Apartado 2240 San Jose, Costa Rica
- MANNEY, Mr. & Mrs. David L., Casilla 691, Quito, Ecuador, S.A.
- MOYER, Mr. & Mrs. Edward, 7 cite des Filaos, Capesterre,
Guadeloupe, F.W.I.
- POYSTI, Mr. Earl, Box 141, Monte Carlo, Monaco
- RAWN, Miss Olive, Africa Inland Mission, B.P. 55, Oicha, Bunia,
Republic of Congo
- RITTER, Mr. & Mrs. Don, 419 Elm Street, Emmaus, Pa. 18049
- SHELLING, Mr. Ted, International Students, 2109 E. Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20037
- SHELLY, Mr. & Mrs. Austin, Instituto Biblico Las Delicias, Caripe,
Monagas, Venezuela
- SNYDER, Mrs. Phoebe, 335 Mission Rd., Glendale, California 91205
- SOLT, Mr. & Mrs. David, 105 Dormar Drive, N. Syracuse, N. Y.
13212
- STENGEELE, Mr. & Mrs. Laird, P.O. Box 5, Akola, Maharashtra,
India
- VENABLE, Mr. & Mrs. Fred, P.O. Box 26, Monrovia, Liberia

MISSIONARIES ASSIGNMENTS TO CHURCHES

Allentown (Bethel).....	Roy Hertzog Daniel Mrs. Aaron Hoffman Ted Shelling Rev. & Mrs. Austin Shelly Susanne Joanne David Paul Carole Sue Stengele Donald Lauren Stengele
Allentown (Cedar Crest) ...	Mrs. Ron Hoyle Mr. & Mrs. Laird Stengele
Bethlehem	Rev. & Mrs. James Bigley James Joel Jon Jay Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Fisher Miss Harriet Kassay Earl Poysti
Coopersburg	Mrs. Leonard Buck
Emmaus	Dr. William Campbell Timothy G. Kauffman Jeanne
Easton	Mrs. C. Herbert Dyke Nancy Bruce Elaine
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President	-Mrs. William Hunsberger, 417 N. Seventh Ave. Royersford, Pa. 19468
Vice President	-Mrs. Hiram Ware, 1023 Price Street, Chester, Pa., 10913
Secretary	-Miss Kathlyne Stortz, 666 Chestnut Street, Emmaus, Pa. 18049
Treasurer	-Mrs. David E. Thomann, 140 Harleysville Pike, Harleysville, Pa. 19438

(Conference-wide Rally, second Thursday of May)

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Treasurer	-Mrs. Harry Daugherty, 273 Ridge Avenue, Ephrata, Pa. 17522

(Meetings - the last Monday of March and September)

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Vice President	-Mrs. Guy Weller, Box 144, Aristes, Pa. 17920
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Treasurer	-Mrs. Chester Reitz, R.D. #2, Box 120, Catawissa, Pa. 17820

(Meetings - the fourth Wednesday of February and September)

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(Meetings - the fourth Tuesday of February and September)

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(Meetings - the fourth Friday of March and September)

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(Meetings - the third Thursday of March and September)

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(Meetings - the third Friday of March and September)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

"There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all. But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ." Ephesians 4:4-7

The call to unity must be within the framework of the fundamental doctrines set forth in the Word of God. Unity at any price is faulty, but unity in Christ is essential for the ongoing Church.

Church Extension is committed to the task of establishing a witness "in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria,..." This year has been one of endeavor, but seeing doors close for the moment. Sunday services and a Wednesday evening prayer service began at the Prospect Street Mission of Phillisburg, New Jersey during the year, but lack of development necessitated the termination of that ministry on October 13, 1968. Another area for witness was Hackettstown, New Jersey. All necessary preparations were made to invade this developing area for Christ. The Board decided to withdraw from the scene temporarily when informed that the Missionary Baptist opened a full-time pastor on the field.

The Board met with representatives of American Mission for Opening Closed Churches and the American Sunday School Union of Philadelphia to discuss ways and means of cooperation. Prospects for an Inner-City ministry in conjunction with the American Sunday School Union are in preliminary stages.

Other responsibilities of the Board included: placing Donald Barnhart in a training program under the supervision of Pastor Carl C. Cassel; meeting with the Ministerial Candidate Committee to discuss placement of candidates to assure adequate manpower to supply personnel for Church Extension; trips to churches under its care; placing financial responsibility for pastoral support in the hands of the Official Boards; receiving representatives from the Bible Fellowship Church of Denville, New Jersey and conferring with them on their projected plan of branch-church outreach.

The 1968 Ministerial Convention program was committed to the Board of Church Extension which was held at Victory Valley Camp. The theme for the two-day assembly focused on "Evangelism and Church Growth in the Bible Fellowship Church". Many hours of research and preparation went into the papers presented, thus contributing to an area of study needed within the Bible Fellowship Church. These dissertations can be procured by subject or in complete form at a nominal cost.

It was with deep regret that the Board of Church Extension accepted the resignation of Director of Church Extension, Earl M. Hosler, to be effective on or before September 1, 1968. Rev. Earl

M. Hosler accepted the call to be Pastor of the Grace Gospel Chapel at Rio Grande, New Jersey.

Pastor Austin B. Sullivan, Jr. felt led of the Lord to accept the position of Social Worker in the Children's Welfare Department of Northampton and Lehigh County. Austin terminated his work at Miller Heights Bible Fellowship Church in June and Donald Barnhart was assigned to that charge.

Rev. Daniel G. Ziegler, member of the Board of Church Extension and Pastor of the Bible Fellowship Church of Statén Island, New York, has been serving as Interim-Director since September 9, 1968 and he will continue in this capacity throughout the coming year. Remember him in prayer as he ministers in this capacity.

Contributions by the Bible Fellowship Churches have been a great encouragement to the Board. Advanced contributions enabled the Board to invest in Treasury Bills which have yielded additional income.

The Board of Church Extension has not been able to complete the study on the potential and duties of the Director of Church Extension, however, it will continue to study this assigned area.

Presently the Director's home is being occupied by the Herbert Dyke family on 424 Ridge Street, Emmaus, Pennsylvania. Rent is being received from the Board of Foreign Missions for the use of this facility.

The following men have served under the Department of Church Extension of the Bible Fellowship Church during the year:

David Branning
Donald Barnhart
John H. Herb
Ronald Jansen

Austin B. Sullivan, Jr.
Harold C. Weaber
Norman R. Weiss

FINANCIAL

Receipts:

Balance Bro't Forw'd			
September 26, 1967	\$	4,353.39	
Advance Cont. Bro't Forw'd		<u>8,200.03</u>	\$ 12,553.42
Received from Churches		31,439.67	
Received from Sunday Schools		2,670.23	
Tent Rentals		240.00	
Loans		253.00	
From Board of Directors			
(Finesville Mortgage)		3,590.00	
Miscellaneous		<u>317.85</u>	38,510.75

Advance Contributions from Churches (1968-69)	<u>12,046.22</u>	12,046.39
Total Receipts		\$ 63,110.39

Expenditures:

Appropriations:

For Conference Appointments 13,080.00

For Church Ext. Appointments:

Allentown, (Bethel) 3,500.00

Belvidere, N. J. 3,120.00

Finesville, N. J. 2,760.00

Macungie, Pa. 3,741.00

Miller Heights, Pa. 3,010.03

Millersville, Pa. 2,699.17

Walnutport, Pa. 1,820.38

20,651.28

To Director for Operating expenses 2,000.00

Total		\$ 35,731.28
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Administration:

Director's Salary 5,199.35

Director's Home Maintenance 1,477.18

Taxes 345.02

Board Expenses 308.55

7,330.10

General:

Assistance to Churches 4,532.56

Assistance to Pastors 400.00

Moving Expenses 715.01

Miscellaneous 796.75

6,444.32

Total Expenditures (Grand Total)	\$	49,505.70
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Balance in Treasury September 30, 1968		1,558.47
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Advanced Contributions from churches ('68-69)		12,046.22
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	\$	<u>63,110.39</u>
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The Board of Church Extension presents the following recommendations:

1. That all Church Extension Funds be forwarded quarterly to the Secretary of the Board of Church Extension.

2. That moving expenses of churches and missions in the Church Extension Department be included in the Conference Budget, along with the Moving Fund of all other churches.

3. That when ~~ministers~~ are received into Annual Conference membership they be asked to make annual contributions to the Conference Administrative Budget.

4. That resolutions One, Two and Three on page 18, 1967 Year Book, be presented for Second Reading.

5. That the 1969-1970 Budget for Church Extension be adopted.

(A.L.Seifert, Chairman; Harvey J.Fritz, Jr., Secretary; Daniel G.Ziegler, Interim-Director; James G.Koch, John Deily, Charles Hersh, Board).

BUDGET

Expenditures:

Emergency Loan Fund	\$ 5,000.00
Appropriations:	33,200.00
Existing Churches	4,700.00
Existing Missions	16,500.00
New Mission	10,000.00
Contingency	2,000.00
Administration	11,250.00
Director's Salary	6,000.00
Director's Mileage	1,500.00
Director's Parsonage	2,000.00
Director's Operating A/c	1,000.00
Taxes	275.00
Workman's Comp.	75.00
Board Expenses	400.00
General Contingency	500.00
TOTAL	\$ 49,950.00

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH HOME

We are thankful 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. For eight years the Home was in operation at 38 South New Street, Nazareth, Pa. Clara Messner, the matron, assisted by Kathryn Rosencranz, looked after the interests of the Home and the comfort of the guests. We appreciate their devotion to the task to which God has given them.

Nineteen sixty-eight has been a year of achievement for the Bible Fellowship Church Home. On August 8, 1968, the new home at 7 South New Street, Nazareth, Pa., was approved by the Office of the Aging of the Department of Public Welfare and the Department of Labor and Industry of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Many friends attended Open House and the Dedication Ceremony, Saturday, September 14, 1968. The Administrator, the Reverend F. B. Hertzog, was in charge of the program.

The home will accomodate 28 guests. The bedrooms, which are 16 by 16 feet, are blue, green and beige. Each room has personal toilet facilities, a separate wash basin, large closet, two chests of drawers, two chairs, and separate beds. All rooms have been provided with curtains dividers, vinyl floor coverings or wall-to-wall carpet with matching draperies. The central living room, carpeted in beige-tweed, faces New Street and is located across from the Administrator's office. Modern dietary equipment has been placed in the kitchen to meet the needs of the guests. The dining room facilities can serve 32 guests comfortably.

The Board is very grateful for the offerings received from the Churches, the Women's Missionary Societies, Ladies Bible Class of Grace Church, Reading, Pa., and special gifts from individuals in the amount of \$ 5,783 to help purchase furniture, appliances and other equipment. Throughout the year the Home received donations with a cash value of \$580.

Various people are remembering the Bible Fellowship Church Home in their wills, as well as in their love gifts to the Lord's work. This institution is a non-profit, charitable organization, with all contributions tax deductible. Inquiries relative to admissions, employment or general information should be addressed to the Administrator, the Reverend F. B. Hertzog, 7 South New Street, Nazareth, Pennsylvania 18064.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Credits:

Balance in Checking Account, 9/67	\$	943.14
Administrator's Working Capital, 9/67		1,448.71

Contributions:

Members and Friends	5,783.00	
From the Churches	2,329.00	
Women's Missionary Soc.	360.00	
Ladies Bible Class	300.00	
Estella Benninghof Estate	5,000.00	
Joseph Fable Estate	<u>1,101.82</u>	14,873.82
Social Security, Pensions,		
Public Assistance	7,721.03	
Dividends & interest	1,133.27	

Payments on Investments	18,848.05	
Transfer from Savings	163,604.87	
Miscellaneous	313.20	\$ 191,620.42
TOTAL		<u>208,886.09</u>

Disbursements:

Construction - New building	171,831.83	
Appliances	2,198.03	
Furniture	10,107.17	\$ 184,137.03
Department of Public Welfare	1,428.50	
Food	1,095.67	
Fuel	1,827.68	
Guests monthly allowances	680.92	
Household supplies & repairs	810.86	
Insurance	692.00	
Medical	359.27	
Miscellaneous	371.17	
Public Utilities	2,001.15	
Wages	10,459.81	19,727.03
Administrator's working Capital, 8/31/68		3,986.67
Balance in Checking Account, 8/31/68		1,035.36
TOTAL		<u>\$ 208,886.09</u>

INVENTORY
August 31, 1968

Property:

7 South New Street	\$ 210,000
38 South New Street	35,000
Equipment and Furniture	14,000
Investment & Securities	18,044
TOTAL	<u>\$ 277,044</u>

(A.L.Seifert, President; T.D.Gehret, Vice-President; Paul I. Wentz, Treasurer; E.W.Bean, Secretary; Paul Cressman, James Beil, (Ernest B.Hartman, deceased), Board of Directors).

The Home Board Accounts and this report have been audited by Robert Ringler.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MIZPAH GROVE

Apropos to the very nature of the ministry of Mizpah Grove was the climactic service of the Allentown District Camp on Sunday, July 21 which marked the completion of a most fruitful work at this location. A call to remembrance brought recollections of blessings untold; a challenge to resourcefulness brought to force the responsibility which rests upon the shoulders of members and friends of the Bible Fellowship Church.

The purchase of Pinebrook involves the expanding of the ministry of Mizpah. Gladly then, do we relinquish our ties to those memories so precious, that we might go forward, possessing new land for the testimony of our Saviour.

There were two camps during the summer of 1968 with the Bethlehem District meeting June 29 to July 7 and occupying 219 tents and the Allentown District meeting July 13 to 21 with 230 tents occupied. In addition, four evening services were conducted between camps. Several tent trailers were also used during the camps.

A word of appreciation is due to Harry Bailey of our Reading church and Pastor David E. Thomann who jointly directed the cafeteria operation. Their load was lightened by the cooperation of a most efficient staff.

The spiritual ministry of the camp owes its success to the faithfulness of our Heavenly Father, Who, in His sovereign mercy, chose to use the labors of our Bible Fellowship pastors and visiting speakers to redound to His glory.

The interest of our entire constituency has been revealed both in financial support of the program of Mizpah and in personal response to the purchase of Pinebrook. Attendance at the Labor Day services at Pinebrook far exceeded the expectations of the Board.

Finally, a word of appreciation is due to Superintendent A.L. Seifert who has gone far beyond the call of duty in undertaking the leading of so many people into a land of promise.

By faith we look forward to blessings untold in this new outreach for God.

The books were audited by Walter A. Davis.

We recommend that \$4,000 of the existing balance of the Board of Mizpah Grove be assigned to the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board and that the balance be given to the Pinebrook Service Board.

FINANCIAL Income

Balance 9/16/67		\$	7,141.26
Bethlehem District Camp			
Income	\$ 5,697.77		
Expended	<u>2,562.62</u>	3,135.15	3,135.15
Refund From Beth. Dist.			300.00
Allentown District Camp			
Income	6,499.84		
Expended	<u>2,879.11</u>	3,620.73	6,755.88
			3,620.73

Cafeteria & Store

Income	12,446.88		
Expended	<u>12,024.08</u>	422.80	422.80
Cafeteria Refund			3,000.00
Sale of Hymn Books	34.00		34.00
Sale of Benches	376.00		376.00
Sale of Tents	1,188.00		1,188.00
Sale of Electric Wiring	<u>28.00</u>		28.00
		2,048.80	
Phone refund	42.94		42.94
P.P.&L. Anchor Guy Permit	1.00		1.00
Gift - Benninghoff Estate	2,500.00	2,543.94	2,500.00
TOTAL income - Mizpah Grove		<u>\$ 11,348.62</u>	

PINEBROOK

Pinebrook - Labor Day	9,718.36		9,718.36
From B.F.C. churches	10.00		10.00
Anonymous Gift	<u>1,000.00</u>	10,728.36	1,000.00
Income - Winter Retreats	1,342.50		1,342.50
Advance Deposits - Retreats	100.00	1,442.50	100.00
TOTAL income - Pinebrook		<u>12,170.86</u>	

TOTAL Mizpah-Pinebrook	23,519.48	\$ <u>33,960.74</u>
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Expended - Mizpah Grove

Repairs	98.82	
Insurance	894.19	
Electric	399.32	
Telephone	370.87	
Taxes, Water, Sewer	1,236.53	
Ground Maintenance	314.19	
Equipment	187.50	
Printing & Promotion	143.25	
Contractors	667.00	
Fares	248.59	
Meals	119.48	
Trucks	671.60	
For. to Caf. & Beth. Dist.	3,300.00	
Hardware	25.22	
Postage and Stationery	62.18	
Garbage Removal	180.00	
Rental - Sound System	250.00	
Rental - Organ	100.00	
Rental - Piano	70.00	
Rental - Prayer Tents	125.00	
Don. forward with Christ	1,500.00	
Don. Pinebrook	<u>6,000.00</u>	16,963.74

Balance 9/30/68

	16,997.00
\$	<u>33,960.74</u>

Pinebrook Account
Income

Received from Board of Mizpah Grove	\$ 6,000.00
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Expenditures

Wages - Labor Day Weekend	805.00	
Janitorial Service	257.46	
Laundry	222.82	
Maintenance	609.83	
Cook	300.69	
Kitchen Help	268.85	
Misc. Labor	55.00	
Secretarial Help	29.00	
Life Guard	<u>12.00</u>	2,560.65
Meals for Workers (Prior to 8/30)	250.00	
Inventory Purchases	<u>400.00</u>	650.00
Honorariums:		
C. Leslie Miller	250.00	
Conrad Jensen	100.00	
Organist	10.00	
Pianist	10.00	
Bruce Heffner	10.00	
John Blake	<u>10.00</u>	390.00
Janitor's Supplies	109.10	
Kitchen Supplies	65.05	
Trash Removal	90.00	
Lumber, paint, hardware	409.23	
Athletic Equipment	69.45	
Truck Maintenance	45.40	
Electric	2.82	
Handcraft - Labor Day	7.52	
Stationery	8.00	
Food	1,394.21	
Refund	<u>141.14</u>	1,253.07
Hauling for land fill	180.00	
Organ Rental	45.00	
Miscellaneous Supplies	<u>23.46</u>	2,308.10
Total expenses		<u>5,908.75</u>
Balance 10/7/68		91.25
		<u>\$ 6,000.00</u>

(A.L.Seifert, Chairman; Robert W. Smock, Secretary; Bert N. Brosius, David E. Thomann, Robert W. Gehret, Albert L. Wentz, George E. Herb, Harold A. Mann, Norman W. Granda, Board).

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VICTORY VALLEY CAMP

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High: . . . For thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy work; I will triumph in the works of thy hands." - Psalm 92:1, 4

Indeed the Board of Victory Valley Camp has much to be thankful for this year. We reflect upon the increased number of campers, a total of 459 boys, girls and teens that were helped spiritually, the dedicated staff toiling under many problems, the increased financial support from our churches and the great response of over 70 individuals who raised \$2,000 toward debt reduction on the land, the thousands of dollars of donated materials, equipment and time by interested, dedicated laymen added up to give one of the greatest years all around for Christ.

Many talented persons blended toward forming a creative and interesting program staff: Donna Bailey served as Girls Program Director; Karen Ettinger served as C.I.T. Director and Assistant Coed Director; Don Knauer served as Boys Program and Coed Director; and Joseph Springer served as Assistant Program Director, giving inspiration to the athletic program and tirelessly worked on maintenance. Arthur "Toby" Frable served as Business Manager and horsemanship director. His wife, Betty Lou, served as counselor and head office secretary. Hank Snyder directed the two-week pioneer program for boys in a most successful manner. Rita Cressman directed the waterfront program as Red Cross swim instructor. The counseling staff of both senior and junior counselors inspired many new and stimulating ideas and activities in the area of special programs, sports, archery, music, writing, and nature. We had the faithful services of nurses Joan Springer, Ella Baker, and Janet Walters. Bill Belli served us well with his tasty cooking and his wife, Faye, served as assistant cook.

Seven girls comprised the counselor-in-training this year. Miss Ettinger provided a program of variety and depth in study and experience in Christian service and camping. The C.I.T. project of creating a worship center for the indoor chapel with red curtains, rustic cross, and the inscription, "Victory Through Christ," arcing the cross create a beautiful setting for the chapel. A camping trip to the Poconos was another enjoyable aspect of the C.I.T. program.

Enrollment statistics:

44 staff personnel	Girls Camp - 1st week - 47
7 C.I.T.	2nd week - 71
	3rd week - 61
459 campers	Boys Camp - 1st week - 83
17 refused because of no room	2nd week - 80
23 cancellations	Junior High Camp - 69
499 total registrations	Senior High Camp - 48
	459

A sewage system was installed consisting of septic tanks and four drain fields by Richard Schmick Company of Allentown.

The kitchen of the white house was beautifully renovated. The labor was largely done by the capable skill of our caretaker, Neil Montgomery.

Bright N. Heist donated and installed an aluminum canopy for a doorway on the Recreation Hall.

Paul I. Wentz, Jr., contributed a new washer and dryer, kitchen cabinets, sink, stove, and horsemanship program. Again his son and daughter aided in the horsemanship program.

A new Hobart dishwasher was installed in the camp kitchen this summer.

A 1.9 acre pond is currently being constructed by Vargo Excavating Company of Perkasié. Large donations from several individuals have made this possible. This pond will provide boating and fishing activities for the summer program and ice skating for winter retreats.

We are grateful for the services of our caretaker, Mr. Neil Montgomery, and we share with him in our prayers during this period of his wife's illness.

Development of the camp and its program is dependent in a real way upon our fellow Christians who share the vision of reaching children and teens for Christ through the intensive day to day contact of counselor to camper. We are thankful for the many men who participated in the three Work Days this past year on Saturdays, October 21, 1967, March 30 and May 18, 1968. Over 30 men responded each time.

We praise the Lord for all of you who helped to raise \$2,000 for debt reduction. Our debt is now \$19,000. We thank God for the group of men who are making the 1.9 acre pond possible.

We have several more challenges to meet:

1. To our public school teachers, we urge you to consider counseling at Victory Valley for several weeks.
2. The need to build a new bath house in the Glen area.
3. The need to add kitchen storage and refrigeration, infirmary, program Staff office and meeting rooms.
4. To find someone willing to pay the cost for one cabin unit - a second cabin unit will be donated free.
5. To continue to liquidate our indebtedness of \$19,000.00.

The camp season for the summer of 1969 is as follows:

June 28 - July 5	Girls 8-14 years, grades 2-8
July 5-12	Girls 8-14 years, grades 2-8
July 12-19	Girls 8-14 years, grades 2-8
July 19-26	Boys 8-14 years, grades 2-8
July 26 -August 2	Boys 8-14 years, grades 2-8
August 2-9	Co-ed Camp for Junior High
August 9-16	Co-ed Camp for Senior High

A choice will be given girls and boys in seventh and eighth grades to continue in Girls or Boys camps, respectively, or select Junior High camp involving a co-ed situation, according to their preference.

The board announces a change in the registration fee from \$5.00 to \$10.00. The camp fee remains at \$30.00 and the discount program will be continued.

We make the following recommendations:

That each church make a contribution to Victory Valley Camp. The anticipated budget of the camp indicates need for contributions of at least \$5,550.00 by the churches. Checks shall be made payable to Victory Valley Camp and sent to the secretary of the board before March 1, 1969.

FINANCIAL

Income

Camp Operation

Registration Fees	\$	14,601.35
Offerings		176.44
Handcrafts		357.30
Snak Shak Sales		668.67
Concessions		155.90
Commissions		2.25
		<u>15,961.91</u>

General

Contributions from:

Churches	4,680.90
Groups	1,594.05
Special	3,520.80
Other	248.95
For Debt reduction	<u>1,914.00</u>
	<u>11,958.70</u>

Total income \$ 27,920.61

Expenses

Camp Operation

Fuel and Power	1,534.85
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Food purchased	4,190.95
Handcraft	312.29
Kitchen supplies	88.92
Medical	154.00
Postage and Office supplies	421.59
Publicity	664.06
Program	386.95
Swimming Pool Maintenance	575.70
Snak Shak	547.81
Sports	122.95
Telephone	218.55
Truck and Tractor	226.56
Wages	6,076.92
Insurance for campers	581.15
Concessions	135.30
Garbage removal	14.00
Horsemanship Program	1,490.00
Miscellaneous	441.55
	\$ 18,184.10

General Administration	
Fuel and Power	199.50
Mileage	92.56
Compensation Insurance	98.81
Fire Insurance	440.00
Interest paid	400.00
Maintenance:	
Buildings	1,199.70
Equipment	848.16
Grounds	502.30
Memberships	325.00
Taxes	14.00
	\$ 4,120.03

Total Expenses	\$ 22,304.13
Gain for the year transferred to Net Worth	\$ 5,616.48

Assets

	\$
Cash - General	2,798.72
Cash - For debt reduction	1,914.00
Cash - Pond fund	500.00
Inventory	264.65
Furniture and Fixtures	7,677.16
Swimming Pool	24,110.54
Real Estate	77,700.09
Engineering Expenses in Suspense	495.80

Total Assets	\$ 115,460.96
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Liabilities and Net Worth

Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$	5,107.35
Notes Payable:		
Board of Directors		4,500.00
Ministers' Retirement Fund		7,500.00
Revolving Loan Fund		<u>6,500.00</u>
Total Liabilities	\$	23,607.35
Net Worth September 30, 1967	\$	86,237.13
Gain from 1967-1968 Income		<u>5,616.48</u>
Net Worth		<u>91,853.61</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Worth		<u>115,460.96</u>

(Carl C. Cassel, Chairman; Donald R. Knauer, Secretary; Bright N. Heist, Kermit K. Gehman, Ronald C. Mahurin, A. L. Seifert, Paul T. Wentz, Jr., Board).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE LOCAL CONFERENCE MINUTES

We have examined the Local Conference Records and have found them correct except for a few omissions and minor errors which were corrected by the pastors involved.

The following petitions were found:

The following resolution and petition was presented by the Official Board and unanimously adopted by the Faith Bible Fellowship Church of Spring City at its third Local Conference on June 12, 1968:

Resolved, That Faith Bible Fellowship Church of Spring City, Pennsylvania, petition the Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church meeting at Bethany Bible Fellowship Church, Hatfield, Pa. on October 14, 1968 for permission to eliminate quarterly conferences and to have one annual local conference each year at a date set by the Official Board.

The following petition was passed at the Fourth Local Conference at Harleysville.

Whereas, there has been much misunderstanding concerning two of our doctrines in the Faith and Order, namely, Free Agency and Election, and

Whereas, the continuous attitude of many regarding these doctrines have brought grave concern among our lay members in many of our churches, and

Whereas, many laymen and pastors of our denomination believe

that further study and clarification is needed, therefore,

Resolved, that we, the members of the Faith Bible Fellowship Church of Harleysville, petition the 85th Annual Conference meeting at Hatfield, Pa., October 14, 1968, to reopen the Faith and Order of our denomination and restudy our position concerning these two doctrines.

The following petition was found in the minutes of the Fourth Local Conference at Paradise, Pa.

Whereas, the Lord in His grace has been building His Church, adding to our number, and through the faithful stewardship of His saints, supplying our financial need, and

Whereas, full support for our pastor has been written into our budget for the new fiscal year, and

Whereas, the Bible Fellowship Church at Paradise desires, in view of the urgency of our times and the sufficiency of the Gospel, that funds graciously provided in past years for the establishment of a New Testament Church in our community now be directed to the establishment of other new churches, be it therefore

Resolved, that we, the membership of the Paradise Bible Fellowship Church, hereby petition the 85th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church, convened in Hatfield, Pa., on October 14, 1968, to recognize the Paradise Bible Fellowship Church as a self-supporting Station, with all the rights and privileges that pertain thereto, and further be it

Resolved, that we the Bible Fellowship Church at Paradise express our gratitude to our sister churches in the Bible Fellowship Church for their faithful assistance through the years and to our God for raising up and strengthening this testimony to His grace and for His glory.

(E.W.Bean, Frank L. Herb, Jr., John F. Boyle, Robert Breitegam, Brian Butler, M. Leslie Campbell, Russell E. Dech, John Deily, Arthur W. Deppe, George R. Fish, Myron H. Gehret, Norman W. Granda, W.W. Hartman, Bright N. Heist, E. Gerald Hershey, Carl H. Kellerman, Arthur Mack, John I. Mengel, John F. Moran, William W. Mull, H. Phares Mumbauer, Allan C. Palmer, Walter A. Schlager, Allan F. Smith, Mark T. Smith, Clyde W. Snyder, Edward A. Stortz, Robert W. Truett, Harold C. Weaver, J.R. Weber, LeRoy C. Wilcox, Paul T. Zimmerman, Committee).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY CHURCH GOVERNMENT

The Committee continued its work according to the format approved by the 84th Annual Conference (see p.10, 1967 Year Book).

You will see that the outline has not been completed, so we recommend the continuance of this Committee.

We now offer the following:

1. Material referred for Revision
2. New Material
3. Material for Second Reading

REVISION

ARTICLE X ELECTING AND INSTALLING ELDERS

We offer a complete new wording for the last two paragraphs of the article on page 102.

AFTER PARAGRAPH: "after the members of the church.... suited to the occasion", place the following three paragraphs:

The office of elder is perpetual since it involves the gift of God which cannot be laid aside at pleasure. Yet an elder may become by age or infirmity incapable of performing the duties of his office, or he may, though not chargeable with either heresy or immorality, become unacceptable in his official capacity to a majority of the congregation. For any of these reasons an elder may be declared inactive and therefore he shall no longer serve as a member of the Board of Elders.

If any particular church by congregational vote prefers to elect for a limited time in the exercise of their functions, this may be done; provided, the full time be not less than three years, and the Board of Elders be made to consist of three classes, one of which shall be elected every year; and provided that elders, once installed shall continue to be elders, though inactive when they are not reelected to serve as a member of the Board of Elders.

All active and inactive elders shall subscribe annually to the FAITH & ORDER of the Bible Fellowship Church. No person can be divested of this office except by deposition for failure to maintain standards of doctrine and life in keeping with the dignity of this office, but all elders, whether active or inactive, must maintain proper standards.

ARTICLE XIV MINISTERS LABORING IN OTHER CHURCHES OR ORGANIZATIONS

We offer the following for paragraph one under article on p. 102, 1967 Year Book:

An ordained minister of the Bible Fellowship Church, consistently with his ordination vows and without prejudice to his ministerial standing, may, properly under certain circumstances

and conditions, labor in churches or organizations other than those of the Bible Fellowship Church.

(Please note: the only change is the placing of a comma after the word may - ... prejudice to his ministerial standing, may,...)

NEW - ARTICLE XI THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

This material has been approved and appears in the mimeo FAITH & ORDER, page 19.

ARTICLE XII PROCEDURE FOR RECOGNITION OF A MINISTER

All men who desire to have ministerial credentials with the Bible Fellowship Church shall apply to the Ministerial Candidate Committee. Initial application should be made in writing to the chairman of the Committee; any minister in the denomination can supply the name and address of the current chairman.

Every man who is called to serve as pastor of a Bible Fellowship Church must have credentials with the denomination. Men who serve as supply pastors for an extended period of time shall be required to establish a proper relationship with this Committee.

Men Entering the Ministry. The Ministerial Candidate Committee divides those under its care into three groups: Applicants, Candidates and Probationers. An Applicant is a man who offers himself to this Committee for service in the Bible Fellowship Church; young men are encouraged to seek this recognition as early in their educational program as they sense the call of God to the ministry. A Candidate is a man whose application is accepted and who remains under the guidance of the Committee; men move to this group when they near the completion of their educational preparation for the ministry. A Probationer is a man who has been approved by this Committee, has passed an examination on the FAITH & ORDER of the Bible Fellowship Church, and is working in a Bible Fellowship Church or in one of the denominational ministries. After a Probationer has served at least two years, he may be recommended to the Credentials Committee for ordination examination. The minimum period of probationary service may be extended; having served as a Probationer does not guarantee ordination. Internship or field work program enhance the value of this probationary period when churches and men desire.

Men Received from Other Churches. This material has been approved and appears in mimeo FAITH & ORDER, p.20 - first four paragraphs.

Ordination. The Bible Fellowship Church understands ordination to the Christian ministry as the laying on of the hands of the elders of the Church accompanied by prayer and is the public

recognition by the Church of gifts previously given by God to one called to the ministry of the Word of God. The examination for ordination is conducted by the Credentials Committee of the Bible Fellowship Church. As long as an ordained minister maintains a relationship to this denomination he remains under the care of the Credentials Committee subscribing annually to the FAITH & ORDER.

ARTICLE XIII PULPIT SUPPLY PROCEDURE

This material has been approved and appears in mimeo FAITH & ORDER, pp. 8-10.

The following Articles appear on pp. 103 and 104 of the 1967 Year Book and are presented for First Reading. (Please note because of the expanding of Article XI into three articles the numbers have been advanced.)

ARTICLE XV AGENCIES OF THE CHURCH

ARTICLE XVI CHAIRMAN

ARTICLE XVII SECRETARY

ARTICLE XVIII ADMENDMENTS

MAY WE SUGGEST THAT YOU BRING YOUR 1967 YEAR BOOK TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

MATERIAL FOR SECOND READING

PREAMBLE & ARTICLES I thru III pp. 10 & 11, 1967 Year Book

ARTICLES IV thru IX pp. 22 A -D Adjourned Sessions (I) minutes, 84th Annual Conference.

(C.E. Kirkwood, Chairman; Willard E. Cassel, Secretary; James A. Beil, Carl C. Cassel, Jansen E. Hartman, Frank L. Herb, Jr., John H. Riggall, Committee).

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

The Historical Committee met two times during the year. Consideration was given to matters pertaining to preserving the archival collection, making the historical materials readily accessible to responsible persons who are interested in understanding Bible Fellowship Church history, and encouraging and promoting appreciation for the heritage of our local churches and denomination among our constituency.

The committee encourages formation of, and addition to, local church archives in each of our congregations. The committee seeks the kind of historical appreciation and perspective among Bible Fellowship Church people that will eventuate in significant materials being offered for inclusion in our archives, which are housed at the Berean Bible School. Persons who have such articles

to offer may communicate with the archivist or with any member of the Historical Committee. An accurate description of the materials being offered should be submitted. The materials themselves should not be submitted until the donor is instructed concerning their acceptance.

(Byron C. Cassel, Chairman; Daniel G. Ziegler, Secretary; Paul H. Cressman, Committee).

REPORT OF PENSION COMMITTEE

The Pension Committee during the year continued its study of how to improve benefits available for our ordained ministers after retirement age has been reached. No conclusions have been made. A proposal to use a life insurance company for the investment of the available funds holds promise of producing more than is produced by the present plan. But the development of the study thus far is inconclusive and the committee will continue it and obtain similar proposals from other insurance companies.

With 36 active ministers' Contributions and \$5,000 from the administration budget we are adding to the existing fund at an average rate of \$209.48 per active minister. The proposal we have is based on an average input of \$250.00 a man a year merely to illustrate what can do done.

This is a proposal from Home Life Insurance Company for a plan qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. A plan so qualified permits the self-employed minister to deduct his own contributions to the plan from his taxable income.

Each policy is issued by the company to the individual minister and he can make a contribution to the plan greater than the standard provision for his personal contribution without in any way affecting the other members in the plan, with this increased contribution on his part increasing his own ultimate benefits.

The maximum benefit under our existing program is \$102,68 per man per year, the proposal promises to yield the following results:

Age on entering plan	Cash Value & Dividends at age 70	Death Benefit up to age 70	Average annuity per month at 70
28	\$ 24,867	\$ 9,018	\$ 206
33	19,232	7,647	159
35	16,540	7,114	137
39	13,799	6,087	114
44	10,231	4,884	85
48	7,884	3,992	65
53	5,424	2,964	45

This proposal does not require any part of the reserve that has been developed. While seeking other proposals, we will also study the possibility of using the existing reserve to supplement the annuities for the older men in the group thereby making available to them annuities that, hopefully, might more nearly match those available under the life insurance proposal for men under 39 years of age.

Under this insurance proposal seven options are provided including an election to take a life income with a survivorship, which will guarantee the Pastor a monthly income as long as he lives. At his death, $2/3$ of this amount is continued as guaranteed monthly income for the lifetime of the widow.

Studies are also being made to determine how best to provide life insurance for the pastor's wife and his dependent children.

(Paul I. Wentz, Kermit K. Gehman, Byron C. Cassel, Committee)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BEREAN BIBLE SCHOOL

The great task of equipping men and women for Christian ministry may be summarized by Titus 2:11-15. "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee."

Berean Bible School has faced some major problems this past year as well as major opportunities for advancement.

Several times throughout this year it was necessary to make loans to keep the regular expenses paid. This is indicative of the financial press all schools are facing together with the rise in the cost of living.

A major part of this year was spent in discussing and seeking the answer to what direction the academic program should take. That is, should we pursue a two-year junior college program of liberal arts or continue in the tradition of the three or four year Bible College program?

A vast amount of effort went into the preparation of a self-evaluation study during the past two years. This work was consummated this year. The school applied for accreditation with the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges.

Studies and meetings were part of the task of the planning committee to study the advisability of moving the campus to Pinebrook near Stroudsburg, Pa. At the Adjourned session of Annual Conference on Saturday, April 13, 1968 it was resolved to purchase Pinebrook and in this resolution the decision to move Berean was implied.

President Jansen E. Hartman continues to serve untiringly and and enthusiastically for the cause of Christian Higher education and the Lord.

The Board has accepted the resignation of Mr. Herbert E. Anderson as of September 15, 1968.

The following full-time faculty and their salaries were approved:

	Salary	Housing
Jansen E. Hartman	\$ 7,000.00	Provided
John Pokrywka	3,800.00	\$ 1,500.00
Leonard Coppes	5,900.00	1,500.00
Ruth A. Hartman	2,400.00	Provided
Karen R. Ettinger	3,600.00	Provided & Board

The following part-time faculty were approved:

Mr. William Miller	Mr. Robert Ringler
Mrs. Carl C. Cassel	Dr. Richard C. Ziemer
Mrs. Elizabeth Abbott	Miss Fern Mann
Mr. Theodore S. Bull	

Administrative Personnel approved were:

Raymond R. Dotts	Emily R. Neumoyer
Joyce P. Mann	Mrs. Marie Rohrbach
Judith E. Montgomery	Carole DeLong

On Monday, June 3, 1968 at 7:30 p.m. at Bethel Bible Fellowship Church in Allentown, Pa. six day students and one evening school student were graduated.

The Board met five times during the year to conduct its business. The Committees have functioned sufficiently to enable the school to operate.

The Board organized as follows: Chairman, A. L. Seifert, Donald R. Knauer; Treasurer, A. L. Wentz.

The following committees were organized as follows:

Faculty and Instruction Committee - A. L. Seifert, Chairman; Horace A. Kauffman, Secretary; Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., representative to the Executive Committee; Carl C. Rishel, and Jansen E.

Hartman.

Finance Committee - R.W.Gehret, Chairman; Byron C.Cassel, Secretary; A.L.Wentz, representative to the Executive Committee; David J.Watkins, and Jansen E.Hartman.

Promotion Committee - Donald R. Knauer, Chairman; John M. Stengele, Secretary; David J. Watkins, representative to the Executive Committee, James A. Beil and Jansen E. Hartman.

Executive Committee - A.L.Seifert, Chairman; Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Secretary; A.L.Wentz, David J.Watkins.

Resolutions and By-laws Committee - Horace A. Kauffman and Donald R. Knauer.

An important decision was made when the board passed the resolution to file application to the State of Pennsylvania for the granting of an associate degree of arts in Biblical Studies. The filing of the application is dependent upon Annual Conference approval.

The Board is thankful and grateful for the dedicated staff of faculty, administration and student body. The Board believes a great door of opportunity and unparalled challenge lies ahead in the new campus and curriculum development at Pinebrook.

Many encouraging indications that Pinebrook is a good location for the school have been received.

The Board of Directors of Berean Bible School makes the following recommendations to the 85th Annual Conference at Hatfield.

Whereas, the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School, desires to make the following changes in Article V, Section I of the Berean Bible School By-laws:

that the President of Berean Bible School be elected by the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School for an indefinite term of office, and further

that the President-elect must be ratified by a two-thirds vote at the next session of Annual Conference.

that should any member or group of the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School desire the resignation of the President of Berean Bible School it should be presented in writing to the Executive Committee stating reason for said request, and further

that the Executive Committee should evaluate the request and take such formal action as they deem advisable.

that the election to the office of President of Berean Bible School be men who are in agreement with the Articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church.

that the President of Berean Bible School shall by a member of the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School by virtue of his office.

that the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School be President of the Corporation by virtue of his office.

Therefore, We recommend the proposed changes in the Standing Rules on page R 10 of the mimeographed Faith and Order pertaining to the President of Berean Bible School and on page 22 of the same pertaining to the composition of the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School. (First Reading)

1. The President of Berean Bible School (Page R 10)

Delete the existing 2 sentences.

Read, The President of Berean Bible School shall be elected by the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School according to their by-laws from among men who are in agreement with the articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church. The election of a new president shall be submitted to Annual Conference and be ratified by a two-thirds majority vote.

2. Board of Directors of Berean Bible School (page 22)

a. The Board of Directors of Berean Bible School shall be composed of:

1. The District Superintendent
2. The President of the School (This is an addition)
3. Five ordained ministers
4. Six laymen (Changed from 7 to 6)

b. Election

A. Classes

I Two	Two
II Two ministers	Two laymen (change 3 to 2)
III One	Two

We recommend that each church be encouraged to support Berean Bible School at a level equal to 4% of its annual offerings and that this support be submitted to the school in twelve monthly payments. The laymen on the Board of Directors of Berean Bible School shall maintain contact throughout the year with the pastors and Official Boards of each church, keeping them informed of the

work of the school and its needs.

We recommend that Annual Conference approve the filing of an application by Berean Bible School with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Instruction for the granting of associate degrees and such honors as are appropriate to the programs offered, and further resolved that the Board be authorized to make changes in the Charter of Incorporation necessary to implement the granting of degrees.

BEREAN BIBLE SCHOOL

Balance Sheet

June 30, 1968

	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Exhibit A</u> (Expanded)
I Current Funds		
General:		
Cash	\$ (656.00)	
Accounts Receivable:		
Fees - Current	106.75	
Fees - Previous Stud.	1,633.61	
Bookroom	707.83	
Blue Cross	141.44	
	<u>2,589.63</u>	
Less:		
Allowance for uncollectible		
Accounts	<u>1,415.00</u>	1,174.63
Inventories:		
Food	471.68	
Supplies	947.17	
Fuel Oil	734.89	
Bookroom	<u>5,760.31</u>	7,914.05
Prepaid Insurance		<u>460.00</u>
		8,892.68
Restricted - Cash		<u>1,112.09</u>
		\$ 10,004.77
II Loan Funds		
Cash	\$ 950.71	
Loans - Receivable	<u>1,389.95</u>	2,340.66
III Endowments and Other Non-Expendable Funds		
Funds subject to Annuity Agreements		
Institutional Property		935.33
IV Plant Fund		186,031.48
V Agency Funds		<u>1,857.08</u>
Total Assets	\$	<u><u>201,169.32</u></u>

	<u>Liabilities</u>	
I Current Funds		
Liabilities	\$	13,081.80
(Deficit)(Exhibit C)		(3,077.03) \$ 10,004.77
II Loan Funds		
Principal of Funds		2,340.66
III Endowments and Other Non-Expendable Funds		
Funds Subject to Annuity Agreements		
Unrestricted Principal		935.33
IV Plant Fund		
Invested in Plant		
Liabilities - Mortgages Pay.	15,051.27	
From gifts & Current Funds	<u>170,980.21</u>	186,031.48
V. Agency Funds		
Balance of Funds Due to Others		<u>1,857.08</u>
Total Liabilities		201,169.32
Condensed Statement of Current Income and Expenditures		
For the Year Ended June 30, 1968		

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Exhibit B</u>
Educational and General		
Student Fees	\$ 16,578.13	
Gifts and Grants:		
Unrestricted	42,141.13	
Restricted	3,423.47	
	<u>939.75</u>	\$ 63,082.48
Auxiliary Enterprises		30,571.54
Other Non-Educational Income		<u>16.50</u>
Total Income		\$ 93,670.52

	<u>Expenditures</u>	
Educational and General -		
Administration	22,423.21	
General Expense	8,688.42	
Instruction	21,946.15	
Library	4,835.93	
Operation & Maintenance		
of Physical Plant	<u>12,874.61</u>	70,768.32
Auxiliary Enterprises		25,485.73
Other Non-Educational Expenses		<u>4,475.34</u>
Total Expenditures		100,729.39

Excess of Expenditures over (under) Income -	
Educational and General	7,685.84
Auxiliary Enterprises	(5,085.81)
Other Non-Educational Trans.	<u>4,458.84</u>

Net Excess of Expenditures over Income (Exhibit C) 7,058.87

BEREAN BIBLE SCHOOL
Statement of Current Funds Surplus (Deficit)
For the Year Ended June 30, 1968

Exhibit C

Balance, June 30, 1967 8,329.06

Deductions:

 Current funds transferred to plant fund:

 For acquisition of assets 2,891.23

 For retirement of debt 1,435.99

 Total 4,327.22

 Current funds transferred 20.00

 Excess of expenditures over income

 for the year ended (6/30/68)

 (Exhibit B) 7,058.87 11,406.09

Balance, June 30, 1968 \$ (3,077.03)

(A.L.Seifert, Chairman; Donald R. Knauer, Secretary; A. L. Wentz, Treasurer; Jansen E. Hartman, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., James A. Beil, David J. Watkins, Byron C. Cassel, Horace A. Kauffman, Robert W. Gehret, John M. Stengele, R. Wallace Journey, Carl E. Rishel, Board of Directors).

COMMITTEE TO STUDY CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

The Committee to Study Church Membership has met six times. We have endeavored carefully to explore the problems relating to our subject of inquiry. We are nearing conclusion of our work, but have been unable to complete our report by this time.

We expect to conclude our study shortly and to report to the Conference at the earliest opportunity thereafter.

(Frank L. Herb, Jr., Chairman; Daniel G. Ziegler, Secretary; C. E. Kirkwood, James G. Koch, David J. Watkins, Committee).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received from the following:

Rev. and Mrs. James Bigley, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Buck,
Rev. Alva C. Cassel, Rev. Walter H. Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Richard

Gehman, Rev.C.Leslie Miller, Miss Olive I.Rawn and Mr.and Mrs.Ron Hoyle.

Warm expressions of greeting were received from these servants of the Lord. Each one assured the members of the 85th Annual Conference of their deep concern and continuing prayers for the Bible Fellowship Church.

We express our gratitude to all who have communicated with the Annual Conference, and pray that as they continue to labor in the power of the Holy Spirit, they may find great joy and abundant blessing in their distinct sphere of service for our Lord Jesus Christ.

(William A.Heffner, Chairman; Bert N.Brosius, Secretary, Harvey J.Fritz, Jr., Bruce A.Ellingson, John H.Riggall, Committee).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE ANNUAL CONFERENCE MINUTES

We hereby certify that we have examined the Annual Conference Minutes for the Session of the Eighty-Fourth Annual Conference and have found them to be correct except as follows:

The following Resolution was omitted:

Resolved, That the work of the Committee on Pensions be continued by a sub-committee of the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church consisting of the lay members of said committee.

We hereby submit two copies duly certified.

(John H.Riggall, Chairman; LeRoy S.Heller, Secretary; Committee).

REPORT TO THE 85th ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF COMMITTEE TO CO-ORDINATE LEGISLATION PROPOSED BY THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

The following was prepared for presentation to the Adjourned Session of the 84th Annual Conference. It deals with the material assigned to it by the following resolution:

"**RESOLVED**: that a study committee comprised of two representatives elected by each of the following: Board of Church Extension, Credentials Committee, Ministerial Candidate Committee, Committee to Study Pulpit Supply and Committee on Church Government correlate the proposed legislation submitted to this Annual Conference by the Board of Church Extension with legislation proposed by their respective Boards and Committees, and that this Committee report to the Adjourned Session of this Annual Conference." (p. 19, 1967 Year Book)

After a lengthy and thorough discussion of the various problems which the legislation presented, the Committee makes the following recommendations offered as legislation for First Reading:

I. Any congregation meeting the standards of Article XVIII of the FAITH & ORDER is a member of the Annual Conference and shall be known as a church.

II. Any congregation which has a relationship to the Bible Fellowship Church but has not yet met the standards for recognition as a church shall be called a mission.*

* The term "mission" is used in a technical sense, but this does not preclude the use of the term "church" in any of the congregation's public relations activities.

III. When in the opinion of the Board of Church Extension, a mission has attained to the standards set forth in Article XVIII, the Board shall recommend to Annual Conference that this mission be recognized as a church and that it be admitted to the membership of Annual Conference. This recognition will be by a majority vote of Annual Conference.

IV. Any Church which desires financial aid from the Conference shall make written application to the Board of Church Extension on forms provided by that Board.

V. Financial aid to Churches shall be made by the Board of Church Extension upon approval of the required application.

VI. All Churches which receive financial aid from the Board of Church Extension shall be under the jurisdiction of the Church Extension Department. The Board of Church Extension and the Director may counsel and advise the Churches under their jurisdiction in matters of pastoral relations and pulpit supply.

VII. The Availability list shall include the names of all men who indicate a willingness to pastor a Bible Fellowship Church who are ordained or who are probationers. The Ministerial Candidate Committee shall inform the Credentials Committee of probationers who are willing to pastor a Bible Fellowship Church.

VIII. The Board of Church Extension shall participate in Annual Conference Pulpit Supply procedures on behalf of the missions under its jurisdiction to supply pastors for them. It shall seek to call a pastor for each of these missions, according to the By-laws of the Bible Fellowship Church which govern Pulpit Supply in which the Board of Church Extension shall function in lieu of the Official Board.

IX. For procurement of pastors to open new churches, the Board of Church Extension shall be permitted to call available men. If a

pastor accepts such a call he shall notify the Credentials Committee of his acceptance not later than September 1 and reference to his commitment be included on the Availability List. The Board of Church Extension shall confirm to the Credentials Committee his commitment not later than September 1.

In addition to the above, we also recommend that:

The Fourth resolution on page 18, 1967 Year Book, not be presented for Second Reading.

(Byron C. Cassel, Chairman; Willard E. Cassel, Secretary; Carl C. Cassel, William A. Heffner, Frank L. Herb, Jr., C. E. Kirkwood, John H. Riggall, David J. Watkins, Daniel G. Ziegler, Committee).

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE CENTER PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Committee met several times during the year to carry on the work. This included recommending to the Adjourned Session the purchase of Pinebrook and the planning of the program for Labor Day at Pinebrook.

The Committee makes the following recommendations:

1. Whereas, there was discussion about including Victory Valley Camp in the planning for our Conference Center, and

Whereas, the Conference Center Planning Committee has studied the evidence and has voted to exclude Victory Valley Camp from the Conference Center due to the distinctiveness of the children's and teenage programs and the difficulty of maintaining these programs in close proximity to a school or Bible Conference therefore,

Resolved, that the 85th Annual Conference declare that Victory Valley Camp be excluded from the Conference Center at Pinebrook.

2. Whereas, the 85th Annual Conference will elect the Berean Bible School Board, the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board and the responsibility for the work of the Conference Center at Pinebrook, therefore,

Resolved, that these Boards carry out the commitment with Wolf and Hahn, Architects and further

Resolved, that this committee be dissolved.

(A. L. Seifert, Bert N. Brosius, David E. Thomann, Robert W. Smock, T. D. Gehret, Robert W. Gehret, A. L. Wentz, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Kermit K. Gehman, John H. Riggall, Jansen E. Hartman, Carl C. Cassel, Donald R. Knauer, Committee).

REPORT OF PULPIT SUPPLY COMMITTEE

The Pulpit Supply Committee planned and presented the program held on March 9, 1968, to further the understanding of the Proposed System presented originally in 1966.

The Committee notes the repetition of old difficulties and the occurrence of some new problems as evidence of the continuing inability of the present system to cope with our pulpit supply problems.

The Committee has become aware of a group of men who feel the present system can be adequately revised. The Committee itself did not share this opinion. However, to allow progress it recommends that a committee of five men who believe the present system can be made adequate by revising it be appointed by the Chairman and that it be given the assignment of preparing such a revision and to present it to the Adjourned Session of the 85th Annual Conference.

(Byron C. Cassel, Chairman; William A. Heffner, John H. Riggall, Carl C. Cassel, Horace A. Kauffman, Committee).

REPORT OF STATIONING AND APPROPRIATING COMMITTEE

The Committee organized by electing A. L. Seifert, Chairman, and Byron C. Cassel as Secretary. All of the delegates were in attendance including the delegate from the church at Paradise, Pa., newly added to the Committee.

The Committee ratified the action of the local churches and of the pastors who accepted calls from such churches under our pulpit supply procedures.

After organizing and reviewing the progress made under our pulpit supply procedures, the delegates from the mission churches were invited to join the committee as advisory members.

The record made at the 85th Annual Conference shows that in the year just ended, nine of our churches did not give their ministers in cash the minimum of \$4,500 required for membership in the Stationing and Appropriating Committee that was set as becoming effective October 1, 1968. Without further identifying these churches in this report, they are being encouraged at least to meet this minimum during the coming year.

The following appointments are made:

STATIONS	APPOINTMENT
Allentown (Bethel)	Carl C. Cassel

Allentown (Cedar Crest)	To be supplied
Allentown (Salem)	Willard E. Cassel
Bethlehem	Frank L. Herb, Jr.
Blandon	Donald T. Kirkwood
Catasauqua	Brian Butler
Coopersburg	LeRoy S. Heller
Denville	M. Leslie Campbell
Easton	Paul B. Kuder
Emmaus	Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.
Ephrata	Robert W. Smock
Fleetwood	George E. Herb
Graterford	David J. Watkins
Harleysville	David E. Thomann
Harrisburg	R. C. Reichenbach
Hatfield	Ronald C. Mahurin
Lancaster	John Dunn
Lebanon	Bruce A. Ellingson
Lehighton	To be supplied
Maple Glen	To be supplied
Mount Carmel	To be supplied
Nazareth	Jame A. Beil
Paradise	William A. Heffner
Philadelphia (Calvary)	Keith E. Plows
Philadelphia (Emmanuel)	Paul G. Zimmerman
Quakertown	Donald R. Knauer
Reading	James G. Koch
Royersford	Robert F. Johnson
Scranton	LeRoy Wilcox
Shamokin	W. W. Hartman
Spring City	Bert N. Brosius
Staten Island	Daniel G. Ziegler
Sunbury	William W. Mull
Terre Hill	Leon K. Overpeck
Wallingford	C. E. Kirkwood
York	John H. Riggall

MISSIONS

Sinking Spring	To be supplied
Stroudsburg	Mark T. Smith
Zionsville	E. W. Bean

For the church at Maple Glen, Pa., William M. Franklin has been named as the supply Pastor. Brother Franklin is a graduate of Northeastern Collegiate Bible Institute. He has been working as the supply pastor of Maple Glen Church during the past year.

For the church at Mount Carmel, Pa., Carl K. Spackman has been named as the supply Pastor. Brother Spackman is a graduate of Toronto Bible College and of Westminster Seminary. He has been working as the supply Pastor of the Mount Carmel Church during the past few months.

For the church at Lehighton, Pa., Arthur H. Frable has been named as the supply Pastor. Brother Frable is a graduate of Berean Bible School and Nyack Missionary College. He is doing graduate work at Temple University.

A supply pastor for the churches at Allentown (Cedar Crest) and Sinking Spring has not yet been determined.

We refer our Brother Harold C. Weaver to the Board of Church Extension.

The Committee has set at \$4,800 the minimum salary, not including fringe benefits, as it appears at the top of page B of the 1967 Year Book. This rate is to be effective with the year beginning October 1, 1969.

APPROPRIATIONS

Sinking Spring Church	\$ 75.00 a month
Stroudsburg Church	110.00 a month
Zionsville	125.00 a month

To be used at the discretion of the Conference Superintendent - \$6,000.00 per annum.

The Committee recommends that each mission strive to increase its support of the pastor so that its appropriations can be reduced by at least 20% each year.

CHURCH EXTENSION DEPARTMENT

Daniel G. Ziegler, Interim Director

Belvidere, N.J.	Miller Heights, Bethlehem, Pa.
Finesville, N.J.	Millersville, Pa.
Macungie, Pa.	Walnutport, Pa.

On page 91 of the 1967 Year Book is a recommendation from the Board of Church Extension that the appropriation to the Conference Superintendent made out of funds contributed for Church Extension work be discontinued. Instead of approving this recommendation at page 9 of the 1967 Year Book it was referred to the Stationing and Appropriating Committee.

By study of the problem with the Conference Superintendent it developed that about one half of the appropriation was used to help churches; the balance to help ministers who needed financial assistance.

The Committee recommends that the appropriation be discontinued as of September 30, 1969. Further, that after that date special needs of particular churches be referred to the Board of

Church Extension. Finally, that an adequate sum to be used at the discretion of the Conference Superintendent be included in the Administration Budget.

(A. L. Seifert, Chairman; Byron C. Cassel, Secretary; Robert Breitegam, Norman L. Reed, Paul I. Wentz, John F. Boyle, H. Phares Mumbauer, Arthur Mack, Frank L. Herb, Myron H. Gehret, John L. Deily, John I. Mengel, G. Hershey, Carl H. Kellerman, N. W. Granda, Russell E. Dech, Edward A. Stortz, Robert W. Gehret, Willard Blocker, William R. Hunsberger, Robert W. Truett, Clyde W. Snyder, Allan F. Smith, J. R. Weber, Sterling E. Baer, Allan C. Palmer, Horace A. Kauffman, Roy E. Williams, Ralph D. Cole, R. Paul Schaeffer, Leon H. Naudasher, John F. Moran, T. Lamarn Manney, Edward J. Dietzman, Walter A. Schlager, Committee).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDITING

The Committee on Auditing has examined the following accounts:

- Board of Directors
- Board of Church Extension
- Ministers' Retirement Fund
- Conference Treasurer
- Beneficiary Society
- Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Home
- Committee on Publication and Printing

Due to the complexity of accounting procedures and to the lack of time and of supporting information needed to conduct a thorough audit, the Committee suggests that major boards which have involved accounts give consideration to securing an audit by a certified public accountant prior to Annual Conference.

The Committee verified the reports of the following Boards and Committees whose accounts had been audited or examined by designated individuals prior to the 1968 Annual Conference in accordance with our regulations:

- Berean Bible School
- Foreign Missions
- Mizpah Grove
- Victory Valley Camp
- Fellowship News
- Sunday School Promotion Committee
- Youth Fellowship General Committee

All accounts were found to be accurate and in satisfactory condition to the best of our knowledge.

(Horace A. Kauffman, Norman L. Reed, R. Paul Schaeffer, William R. Hunsberger, Donald R. Knauer, Raymond R. Dotts, Leon H. Naudasher, Committee).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

1. Whereas, We, the members of the 85th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church, have experienced blessing and divine guidance under the leadership of our Conference Superintendent, the Rev. A. L. Seifert, and,

Whereas, Berean Bible School has continued its progressive and expanded ministry to the youth of our denomination under the faithful leadership of the Rev. Jansen E. Hartman, therefore,

Resolved, That we express to God our thanks for their dedication to their ministries and pledge our prayer support on their behalf.

2. Whereas, The Rev. Earl M. Hosler has carried out until the day of his resignation from our ministry his responsibilities as Director of the Church Extension Department, and,

Whereas, He has felt led of the Spirit of God to minister in another portion of God's vineyard, therefore,

Resolved, That we extend to him our appreciation of his ministry while among us and pray that the blessing of the Lord may attend his future ministry.

3. Whereas, The Ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church have served the Lord, attending to His Word and to the hearts of His people with love and concern, therefore,

Resolved, That we thank God for calling, enabling and empowering these men for the divine task imparted to them by the Great Shepherd, the Lord Jesus Christ.

4. Whereas, The Lord has seen fit to call to His eternal home our late beloved brother, Harold W. Griest, and,

Whereas, As Treasurer of the Bible Fellowship Church and Delegate of our Wallingford Bible Fellowship Church he faithfully performed his duties to the best of his ability, and in his life was an inspiration and example to all of the brethren, therefore,

Resolved, That we give thanks to God for the life of service that has been rendered to the Lord by our brother and continue in prayer for his wife and family as they follow in the footsteps of this man of God.

5. Whereas, Byron C. Cassel graciously carried out the responsibilities as Acting Treasurer of the Bible Fellowship Church during the illness of Brother Griest and since his death, and has sought to pursue this task of love with diligence and care, therefore,

Resolved, That we extend to him our heartfelt thanks for this

ministry of love, and further,

Resolved, That a gift of \$75 be given to him as a token of our appreciation for his service this year from the Publication and Printing Fund.

6. Whereas, Bethany Bible Fellowship Church of Hatfield, Pa., with their delegate, Clyde W. Snyder, have entertained this 85th Annual Conference in a most acceptable manner, therefore,

Resolved, That we hereby express our gratitude for their generous provision, and, further,

Resolved, That the Secretary of Annual Conference send Delegate Snyder a copy of this resolution to be read to the congregation.

7. Whereas, Pastor Ernest B. Hartman was elected at the Adjourned Session of the 84th Annual Conference as Secretary of the 85th Annual Conference, and

Whereas, during the past year, Pastor Hartman was taken home by the Lord whom he served, and,

Whereas, Pastor James A. Beil was elected to serve and has served faithfully as Secretary of Annual Conference together with Pastor Willard E. Cassel, Assistant Secretary, and Pastor Robert W. Smock, Recording Secretary, therefore,

Resolved, That each who served receive a gift of \$25.00 from the Publication and Printing Fund.

8. Whereas, Missionary Donald J. Ritter was privileged to attend and to bring greetings to this Conference, therefore,

Resolved, That we praise God for calling Brother Ritter to his work and continue to remember him in our prayers.

9. Whereas, Retired Ministers, N. H. Wolf and F. B. Hertzog were privileged to attend sessions of this Conference, therefore,

Resolved, That we praise God for giving them continued interest in the work of the Lord.

10. Whereas, Retired Minister T. D. Gehret was privileged to attend this Conference, and

Whereas, Brother Gehret has served faithfully as Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Bible Fellowship Church, therefore,

Resolved, That we praise God for giving to Brother Gehret this

past year of health and service in his retirement from the active ministry.

11.Whereas, Our sister church in Paradise, Pennsylvania, has petitioned the Annual Conference to become a self-supporting and full-sharing church in our Fellowship, therefore,

Resolved, That we acknowledge the growth and maturity manifested as a marked indication of the blessing of the Lord on the ministry of the Word, and further,

Resolved, That we commend this body of believers for this step of faith and commitment.

12.Whereas, The Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church Home has realized a long held goal in providing new and enlarged facilities designed for the care of the elderly, in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, and,

Whereas, The Administrator, F.B.Hertzog, has given leadership and inspiration to this project, therefore,

Resolved, That as a Conference we cite both the Board and the Rev. F.B.Hertzog for a job well done, and, further,

Resolved, That we encourage and promote this ministry of compassion and concern in our churches.

13.Resolved, That the Adjourned Session of the 85th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convene at Calvary Bible Fellowship Church, 518 N. Main Street, Coopersburg, Pa., Saturday, April 12, 1969 at 9:00 A.M.

14.Resolved, That the 86th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convene at Pinebrook, north of Stroudsburg on Route #191, Monday, October, 13, 1969, 10:00 A.M.

15.Resolved, That the tenure of men elected to study committees created for a specific assignment shall continue until completion of the specific assignment. Vacancies due to death, resignation or other causes shall be filled by further elections.

16.Whereas, Requests have been received that the time of Annual Conference be moved from the Fall to the late Spring, therefore,

Resolved, That a Committee of five, three pastors and two laymen, be appointed by the Chair to study this matter and bring recommendation to this body at the next Adjourned Session.

17.Whereas, Pastor David E. Thomann has served as Editor of FELLOWSHIP NEWS since its inception in 1960 in a most commendable and sacrificial manner, devoting many hours of labor

of love, and

Whereas, Pastor Thomann will not serve in this capacity beginning the 1968-1969 Conference Year, and,

Whereas, Pastor R. C. Reichenbach has served faithfully as Business Manager of FELLOWSHIP NEWS, therefore,

Resolved, That we express our appreciation to these brethren and pledge our cooperation to those who will serve in these offices during the coming year.

18.Whereas, The Lord in His sovereign grace has called home our beloved and esteemed brother, fellow pastor, and secretary of Annual Conference, the Rev. Ernest B. Hartman, therefore,

Resolved, That we give thanks to our God for the consistent, Christ-like life of Brother Hartman and continue in prayer on behalf of Mrs. Esther Hartman and family.

19.Resolved, That a copy of the resolution dealing with the above named individuals be sent by the Secretary of Annual Conference to the person (s) involved.

20.Whereas, Our contemporary society is characterized by the hatreds of racial antagonisms, the prejudice of self-interest, the violence of lawlessness, the strife of unremitting power struggles, the immorality of anarchy resulting from the rejection of the Word of the living God, therefore,

Resolved, That we address ourselves to the upholding of the standard of righteousness, the practice of justice in all interpersonal relationships, to the advocacy of responsible social actions, to unremitting efforts to call men to repentance and to the free offer of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all men, and, further,

Resolved, That in application we as individual Christians and Congregations should become more fully identified with persons in needs. and to adorn the Gospel of Jesus Christ with good works in our communities emphasizing in proper perspective the here and now and the there and after.

(C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman; Keith E. Plows, Secretary; Carl C. Cassel, Jansen E. Hartman, R. C. Reichenbach, Committee).

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

CHURCH	Foreign Missions	Foreign Missions in Sunday School	Church Extension	Church Extension in Sunday School	Total
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent					
Allentown (Bethel)	18,000.00		6,000.00		24,000.00
Allentown (C. Crest)	3,600.00				3,600.00
Allentown (Salem)	800.00		285.00		1,085.00
Bethlehem	15,300.00		3,500.00		18,800.00
Blandon	421.00	661.10	255.00		1,337.10
Catasauqua	300.00		100.00		400.00
Coopersburg	2,400.00		487.50		2,887.50
Denville, N. J.	660.65		529.31		1,189.96
Easton	1,200.00		200.00		1,400.00
Emmaus	6,160.00		2,000.00		8,160.00
Ephrata	790.00		240.00		1,030.00
Fleetwood	2,032.53	69.08	1,293.20		3,394.81
Graterford	2,698.47		831.77		3,530.24
Harleysville	1,500.00		200.00		1,700.00
Harrisburg	2,266.26	368.00	853.48	262.00	3,749.74
Hatfield	9,000.00		4,000.00		13,000.00
Lancaster	1,022.00	445.00	309.00	291.00	2,067.00
Lebanon	450.00		200.00		650.00
Lehighton	350.00				350.00
Maple Glen	1,030.00		1,180.00		2,210.00
Mount Carmel	2,333.00	2,307.00	1,000.00		5,640.00
Nazareth	2,000.00		1,000.00		3,000.00
Paradise	700.00		31.00		731.00
Phila., (Calvary)	1,939.82		689.82		2,629.64
Phila., (Emmanuel)	1,200.00		100.00		1,300.00
Quakertown	2,500.00		2,500.00		5,000.00
Reading	4,684.50		2,921.74		7,606.24
Royersford	3,000.00		1,500.00		4,500.00
Scranton	800.00	58.20	152.71	97.29	1,108.20
Shamokin	3,510.71		1,081.44		4,592.15
Sinking Spring	724.29				724.29
Spring City	2,750.00		500.00		3,250.00
Staten Island, N. Y.	600.00				600.00
Stroudsburg	660.00		200.00		860.00
Sunbury	2,321.00	1,487.00	925.00	376.00	5,109.00
Terre Hill	3,000.00		1,500.00		4,500.00
Wallingford	7,500.00		3,500.00		11,000.00
York	6,968.60		750.00		7,718.60
Zionsville	755.90	547.00	525.00		1,827.90
Total	117,928.73	5,942.38	41,340.97	1,026.29	166,238.37
Church Extension Dept. - Earl M. Hosler, Director					
Belvidere, N. J.	478.97				478.97
Finesville, N. J.		65.79			65.79
Macungie	590.00				590.00
Miller Heights	240.00				240.00
Millersville	350.00				350.00
Walnutport	250.00				250.00
Total	1,908.97	65.79			1,974.76
Grand Total	119,837.70	6,008.17			125,845.87
Increase	16,145.29		2,201.27		18,346.56
Decrease		3,274.44		1,643.94	4,918.38

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS

Record

Conference Superintendent	1
Ordained Ministers	46
Probationers	11
Official Board Members	393
Deacons	5

Pastors' Activities

Sermons preached	5,353
Pastoral Visits	16,233
Baptized	244
Children dedicated	83
Weddings	55
Funerals	94

Membership

Received into Church Fellowship	248
Received by transfer from B. F. Churches	38
Total Increase	286
Died	37
Withdrawn	27
Dropped	95
Transferred to other B. F. Churches	45
Transferred to other churches	28
Total Decrease	232
Net Increase	54
Total Membership	4,514

Sunday Schools

Staff Members enrolled	984
Members enrolled	6,999
Total enrollment	7,983
Total average attendance	6,061
Cradle roll members	321
Home Department members	170

Church Property

Churches	47
Parsonages	45
Increase of church property valuation	\$ 713,242.
Present valuation of church property	\$ 5,632,106.

Offerings

Total income	\$ 1,138,471.
Total offerings	1,097,584.

Disbursements - Benevolences

Conference Administrative Budget	\$	27,756.
Foreign Missions		119,839.
Foreign Missions in Sunday Schools		6,008.
Church Extension		41,341.
Church Extension in Sunday Schools		1,026.
Home for the Aging		2,764.
Bible Fellowship Conference Center		8,432.
Berean Bible School		30,868.
Sunday School Promotion Committee		1,073.
Youth Fellowship General Committee		356.
Victory Valley		4,904.
Supply Pastor		550.

Disbursements

Minister in Cash	205,675.
Ministers, F.I.C.A. Taxes, Health & Welfare, Automobile Allowances, etc.	7,069.
Sunday School	58,397.
Christian Education	17,000.
Parsonage or Building	47,409.
Reduction of Indebtedness	142,053.
Local Benevolent Fund	4,410.
Local Youth Fellowship	4,763.
Local Missions	15,618.
Women's Missionary Society	12,915.
Adult Fellowship	1,579.
Annual Conference Delegate Fund	3,551.
Radio	2,913.
General Disbursements	288,533.
Library	249.
Foreign Missions (Special)	3,947.
Total Disbursements	\$ 1,062,032.

Additional Statistics

Subscribers to FELLOWSHIP NEWS	1,112
Ministers in Other Contributions	\$ 10,211.
Women's Missionary Society (donated materials)	6,417.

Your attention is called to the change in the column formerly known as Ministers' Car Allowance now enlarged to include all the Ministers' "fringe" benefits.

(Willard E. Cassel, LeRoy S. Heller, John Dunn, Donald T. Kirkwood, Committee).

PASTOR'S SUMMARY STATISTICAL REPORT

CHURCH	PASTOR	Record					Pastor's Activities						
		Conference Sup't.	Ordained Ministers	Probationers	Official Board Members	Deacons	Sermons preached	Pastoral visits	Baptized	Children dedicated	Weddings	Funerals	Received into Church Fellowship
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent													
*Allentown (Bethel)	Carl C. Cassel	6	1	12		81	450	8	4	1	3	15	
Allentown (C. Crest)	William A. Heffner	1		12	3	130	265	25	1	2	2	15	
*Allentown (Salem)	Willard E. Cassel	2		7		82	210	7	1			7	
Bethlehem	Frank L. Herb, Jr.	1	2	20		164	450	6	2	5	6	4	
Blandon	Donald T. Kirkwood	1		10		90	311				1		
Catasauqua	Brian Butler (s)		1	5		54	120		2	1			
Coopersburg	LeRoy S. Heller	1		11		147	507	5	8	1	2	10	
Denville, N. J.	Ronald C. Mahurin	1		12	2	112	431	5	6	1	2	3	
Easton	Paul B. Kuder	1	1	8		83	265				5		
Emmaus	Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.	1		12		115	475	11	2	2	4	7	
Ephrata	Robert W. Smock	2		10		150	375	4	2	1	1	7	
Fleetwood	George E. Herb	1		8		122	336	10	2	1	1	4	
Graterford	David J. Watkins	1		12		110	450	25		3	3		
Harleysville	David E. Thomann	1		10		120	300	13				12	
Harrisburg	R. C. Reichenbach	4		10		118	343	9	5	3	4	8	
Hatfield	Russell T. Allen			12		153	474	8	4	2	3	7	
Lancaster	John Dunn	1		7		106	452	17		1	2	23	
Lebanon	Bruce A. Ellingson	1		9		94	478	2	4	1	2	3	
Lehighton	M. Leslie Campbell	1		7		175	291	2	1	1	2	3	
Maple Glen	William Franklin (s)			8		102	120					5	
Mt. Carmel				5		25	24						
Nazareth	James A. Beil	2		10		76	413		3	3	1		
Paradise	Leon K. Overpeck	1		7		118	270		1			1	
Phila., (Calvary)	Keith E. Plows		1	7		83	407	4			2	6	
Phila., (Emmanuel)	Paul G. Zimmerman		1	7		84	254	1	1				
Quakertown	Donald R. Knauer	1		10		121	547		5	3	4	2	
Reading	James G. Koch	1		14		178	366	3	2	2	4	3	
Royersford	Robert F. Johnson	1		10		135	388	8		1	1	8	
Scranton	LeRoy Wilcox (s)		1	7		132	257			4	1	11	
Shamokin	W. W. Hartman	1		8		135	485	10	3	1	8	11	
Sinking Spring	Ernest B. Hartman			5		140	261					1	
Spring City	Bert N. Brosius	1		9		121	392	7	2	2	2		
Staten Island, N. Y.	Daniel G. Ziegler	2		7		117	293		2	2	1		
Stroudsburg	Mark T. Smith		1	5		134	482			1			
Sunbury	William W. Mull (s)		1	12		69	160		3	1	5	2	
Terre Hill	W. B. Hottel	1		8		130	325		2	2		4	
Wallingford	C. E. Kirkwood	1		13		119	507	40	8	3	8	36	
York	John H. Riggall	2		13		150	452	14	2	1	2	21	
Zionsville	E. W. Bean	1		8		87	314						
Total		1	43	8	362	5	4462	13700	244	78	52	86	238
Church Extension Dep't. - Earl M. Hosler, Director													
Belvidere, N. J.	John H. Herb	1		5		179	464		3	2	1	2	
Finesville, N. J.	Ronald Jensen		1	4		175	388				4	7	
Macungie	Norman R. Weiss	1		7		110	642					1	
Miller Heights	Austin Sullivan			5		157	354				1		
Millersville	Harold C. Weaver	1		3		167	433						
Walnutport	David L. Branning		1	7		103	252		2	1	2		
Total		3	2	31		891	2533		5	3	8	10	
Grand Total		1	46	10	393	5	5353	16233	244	83	55	94	248

CHURCH	Membership										Sunday School				
	Received by trans. From B. F. Churches	Total Increase	Died	Withdrawn	Dropped	Transferred to B. F. Churches	Transferred to Other Churches	Total Decrease	Net Increase	Net Decrease	Total members	Staff Members	Members	Total Enrollment	Total average Attendance
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent															
Allentown (Bethel)	15	1	2	8	1		12	31		299	59	359	418	343	
Allentown (C. Crest)	15							15		110	33	175	208	169	
Allentown (Salem)	7	1	4		1		6	1		77	18	138	156	107	
Bethlehem	4	1		25	2	10	38		34	271	53	279	332	256	
Blandon	2	2	1				4			91	24	196	220	176	
Catasauqua	1	1		1			1			48	15	82	97	84	
Coopersburg	1	11	1				1	10		143	20	121	141	101	
Denville, N. J.	3					1	1	2		54	20	126	146	108	
Easton		2		7			9		9	79	16	91	107	91	
Emmaus	7	4	1				5	2		200	36	268	304	251	
Ephrata	2	9						9		54	17	115	132	97	
Fleetwood		4	1		8	1	2	12	8	153	33	260	293	224	
Graterford										75	22	246	268	205	
Harleysville	2	14	1				1	13		85	16	130	146	100	
Harrisburg		8	3	1	3	2	9		1	133	23	255	278	181	
Hatfield		7	2		6		8		1	147	36	254	290	201	
Lancaster	8	31			2	5	7	24		84	20	167	187	141	
Lebanon	2	5	1	1			2	3		57	20	115	135	100	
Lehighton		3				2	2	1		65	19	119	138	95	
Maple Glen		5	1		5	2	8		3	67	9	89	98	52	
Mt. Carmel						1	1		1	98	17	108	125	83	
Nazareth			1				3	4		4	109	25	193	218	172
Paradise		1							1	43	14	138	152	125	
Phila., (Calvary)		6	1				1	5		66	19	112	131	99	
Phila., (Emmanuel)	2	2			7	5	12		10	34	18	94	112	83	
Quakertown		2	1			2	3		1	151	25	194	219	162	
Reading		3	2	3	2	5	3	15	12	291	55	347	402	297	
Royersford		8							8	97	15	174	189	125	
Scranton		11				2	2	4	7	64	15	98	113	91	
Shamokin		11	3	1	1			5	6	136	26	162	188	156	
Sinking Spring	5	5	1				1	4		55	12	78	90	78	
Spring City										90	18	151	169	135	
Staten Island, N. Y.										40	13	99	112	93	
Stroudsburg					2		2		2	30	11	47	58	46	
Synbury	6	8	2			2	4	4		215	32	309	341	260	
Terre Hill		4		12	2	6	20		16	77	20	124	144	110	
Wallingford		36	3				3	33		208	41	295	336	242	
York		21			5		5	16		188	27	295	322	245	
Zionsville	2	2				3	3		1	50	16	63	79	70	
Total	33	271	34	25	84	39	27	209	167	105	4334	928	6666	7594	5754
Church Extension Dep't. - Earl M. Hosler, Director															
Belvidere, N. J.		2						2		16	8	70	78	68	
Finesville, N. J.		7	1	2		5	8		1	33	8	51	59	40	
Macungie	5	6			4	1	5	1		26	9	43	52	41	
Miller Heights			1				2		2	38	12	62	74	49	
Millersville					7		7		7	20	9	42	51	38	
Walnutport			1				1		1	47	10	65	75	59	
Phillipsburg, N. J.														12	
Total	5	15	3	2	11	6	1	23	3	11	180	56	333	389	307
Grand Totals	38	286	37	27	95	45	28	232	170	116	4514	984	6999	7983	6061

Disbursements - Benevolences

CHURCH	Conference Administrative Budget	Foreign Missions	Foreign Missions in Sunday School	Church Extension	Church Extension in Sunday School	Home for the Aging	Bible Fellowship Con. Center	Berean Bible School
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent								
Allentown (Bethel)	1,892.	18,000.		6,000.		120.		3,030.
Allentown (C. Crest)	850.	3,600.					1,342.	200.
Allentown (Salem)	350.	800.		285.		25.	391.	150.
Bethlehem	2,180.	15,300.		3,500.		250.	1,047.	3,200.
Blandon	500.	421.	661.	255.		25.		120.
Catasauqua	372.	300.		100.		15.		175.
Coopersburg	800.	2,400.		488.		25.		292.
Denville, N. J.	300.	661.		529.		55.	534.	529.
Easton	450.	1,200.		200.		40.	25.	300.
Emmaus	1,050.	6,160.		2,000.		300.		1,325.
Ephrata	100.	790.		240.		10.		140.
Fleetwood	929.	2,033.	69.	1,293.		40.		808.
Graterford	650.	2,698.		832.		30.		968.
Harleysville	400.	1,500.		200.		10.		300.
Harrisburg	650.	2,266.	368.	853.	262.	59.		317.
Hatfield	1,205.	9,000.		4,000.		100.		2,000.
Lancaster	558.	1,022.	445.	309.	291.	15.		600.
Lebanon	330.	450.		200.		30.		240.
Lehighton	395.	350.				15.		50.
Maple Glen	830.	1,030.		1,180.		20.	280.	465.
Mt. Carmel	660.	2,333.	2,307.	1,000.		75.		1,220.
Nazareth	540.	2,000.		1,000.		60.		497.
Paradise	360.	700.	31.			15.		150.
Phila., (Calvary)	500.	1,940.		690.		25.		920.
Phila., (Emmanuel)	368.	1,200.		100.		20.	550.	300.
Quakertown	1,105.	2,500.		2,500.		60.		1,500.
Reading	1,920.	4,685.		2,922.		810.	3,098.	2,749.
Royersford	500.	3,000.		1,500.		35.		960.
Scranton	450.	800.	58.	153.	97.	35.	293.	250.
Shamokin	525.	3,511.		1,081.		55.	112.	263.
Sinking Spring	215.	724.				10.		50.
Spring City	600.	2,750.		500.		20.	134.	670.
Staten Island, N. Y.	300.	600.				38.	377.	210.
Stroudsburg	252.	660.		200.		20.		300.
Sunbury	1,200.	2,321.	1,487.	925.	376.	30.		886.
Terre Hill	1,275.	3,000.		1,500.		100.	249.	1,308.
Wallingford	1,000.	7,500.		3,500.		50.		2,500.
York	850.	6,969.		750.		35.		375.
Zionsville	345.	756.	547.	525.		67.		131.
Total	27,756.	117,930.	5,942.	41,341.	1,026.	2,744.	8,432.	30,448.
Church Extension Dept't. - Earl M. Hosler, Director								
Belvidere, N. J.		479.				20.		150.
Finesville, N. J.								
Macungie		590.	66.					100.
Miller Heights		240.						50.
Millersville		350.						
Walnutport		250.						120.
Total		1,909.	66.			20.		420.
Grand Totals	27,756.	119,839.	6,008.	41,341.	1,026.	2,764.	8,432.	30,868.

CHURCH	Disbursements							
	Sunday School Pro- motion Committee	Y. F. General Committee	Victory Valley	Supply Pastor	Ministers in Cash	Ministers' F.I.C.A. Taxes, Health & Wel- fare, Auto All., Etc.	Sunday School	Christian Educ. Parsonage or Building Fund
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent								
Allentown (Bethel)	50.	50.	500.		7,000.		4,069.	1,760.
Allentown (C. Crest)	10.		74.		5,200.	300.	1,558.	401.
Allentown (Salem)	5.		35.		4,250.	120.	819.	169.
Bethlehem	127.	15.	300.		7,848.		1,250.	272.
Blandon		15.	20.		4,900.	560.	2,531.	13,312.
Catasauqua	15.	15.	25.	550.	2,880.		653.	3,188.
Coopersburg	20.	5.	50.		5,200.	250.	902.	
Denville, N. J.	15.	13.	118.		5,200.		766.	200.
Easton	15.	5.	40.		4,920.		405.	301.
Emmaus	50.	5.	1,000.		6,050.	854.	2,708.	1,457.
Ephrata	10.	3.	10.		5,430.		908.	162.
Fleetwood	25.	10.	300.		5,598.		2,691.	
Graterford	25.	10.	75.		5,450.	300.	1,351.	2,177.
Harleysville	10.	5.	75.		4,524.		638.	1,123.
Harrisburg	50.	5.	60.		5,131.		2,600.	
Hatfield	50.	25.	350.		6,000.	300.	1,334.	2,383.
Lancaster	25.	5.	25.		5,045.	120.		2,201.
Lebanon	10.	5.	55.		4,650.		623.	990.
Lehighton	15.		25.		4,300.		435.	2,173.
Maple Glen	15.	10.	50.		5,387.		342.	170.
Mt. Carmel	20.		100.		4,085.		842.	256.
Nazareth	20.	5.	25.		5,400.		1,168.	439.
Paradise	15.	5.	20.		2,848.		1,178.	
Phila., (Calvary)	20.		50.		5,000.	225.	918.	151.
Phila., (Emmanuel)	20.		20.		4,275.		698.	129.
Quakertown	30.	10.	200.		5,250.	300.	996.	385.
Reading	110.	25.	433.		6,628.	1,100.	3,546.	
Royersford	30.	5.	75.		6,145.		800.	141.
Scranton	25.	5.	25.		4,500.		669.	135.
Shamokin	33.	5.	43.		4,492.		4,169.	71.
Sinking Spring			10.		3,625.		493.	
Spring City	15.	5.	60.		4,680.	480.	650.	1,035.
Staten Island, N. Y.	10.	10.	15.		4,280.		924.	1,253.
Stroudsburg	10.	10.	10.		2,920.		621.	318.
Sunbury	25.		25.		4,961.	420.	5,827.	102.
Terre Hill	50.	5.	200.		5,500.		1,716.	2,264.
Wallingford	25.	25.	125.		7,200.	800.	1,783.	3,931.
York	25.	25.	60.		5,978.	940.	1,895.	
Zionsville	13.	10.	57.		3,400.		810.	200.
Total	1,038.	351.	4,740.	550.	196,130.	7,069	56,286.	15,294.
Church Extension Dep't. - Earl M. Hosler, Director								
Belvidere, N. J.	5.	5.	5.		1,200.		470.	243.
Finesville, N. J.					1,580.		473.	131.
Macungie	15.		77.		1,325.		1,168.	120.
Miller Heights	5.		30.		1,305.			439.
Millersville					1,635.			161.
Walnutport	10.		52.		2,500.			732.
Total	35.	5.	164.		9,545.		2,111.	1,706.
Grand Totals	1,073.	356.	4,904.		205,675.	7,069.	58,397.	17,000.

Disbursements								
CHURCH	Reduction of Indebtedness	Local Benevolent Fund	Local Youth Fellowship	Local Missions	Women's Missionary Society	Adult Fellowship	Annual Conference Delegate	Radio
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent								
Allentown (Bethel)		75.	289.		2,047.		100.	1,989.
Allentown (C. Crest)	10,823.	40.		314.	271.		100.	
Allentown (Salem)	2,793.		3.	50.	123.		100.	
Bethlehem		66.	150.	1,701.	806.		100.	
Blandon	2,027.		117.		132.		100.	
Catasauqua	1,008.		64.		191.		75.	
Coopersburg	8,481.	100.	40.	318.	89.		100.	
Denville, N. J.	3,277.	535.	104.	175.	240.	150.	100.	
Easton	725.	40.		90.	126.		80.	
Emmaus	9,649.	115.	145.	236.	1,500.		225.	
Ephrata	3,120.		20.	20.	10.		50.	
Fleetwood	8,737.		108.		200.		80.	
Graterford	4,698.	599.	286.		254.	134.	100.	
Harleysville	918.		50.		100.		60.	
Harrisburg		150.	91.	2,324.	512.		145.	
Hatfield	3,704.	1,045.	178.	1,813.	268.		100.	
Lancaster	7,112.	75.	32.		162.			
Lebanon	1,050.	81.	32.				80.	
Lehighton	1,241.		76.				75.	
Maple Glen	2,495.	7.			299.	357.	75.	
Mt. Carmel	500.		38.	1,464.	487.		50.	
Nazareth	5,306.	27.	137.	50.	231.		100.	
Paradise	1,299.	32.	116.		147.	133.	60.	
Phila., (Calvary)	2,614.	74.		330.	160.	85.	70.	
Phila., (Emmanuel)	2,390.	230.		370.	230.		75.	
Quakertown	13,843.		100.		300.		100.	
Reading		227.	280.		665.		120.	828.
Royersford			42.	828.	183.		105.	
Scranton	1,762.		24.	125.	163.		35.	
Shamokin		31.	510.	295.	387.		115.	
Sinking Spring	900.	30.	10.		143.		85.	
Spring City	10,610.		10.	820.	205.		125.	
Staten Island, N. Y.	3,208.	75.	25.	320.	69.		100.	
Stroudsburg		24.			154.		70.	76.
Sunbury			114.	1,898.	546.		100.	20.
Terre Hill		30.	171.		151.		125.	
Wallingford	9,652.	417.	911.	1,023.	431.	720.	125.	
York	3,000.	100.	294.	600.	400.		100.	
Zionsville	1,547.	61.	122.		150.		46.	
Total	128,489.	4,286.	4,689.	15,164.	12,532.	1,579.	3,551.	2,913.
Church Extension Dep't. - Earl M. Hosler, Director								
Belvidere, N. J.	3,498.	51.	51.	140.	34.			
Finesville, N. J.	3,590.		19.					
Macungie	1,267.		4.		85.			
Miller Heights	1,283.				111.			
Millersville	2,203.	5.		264.	10.			
Walnutport	1,723.	68.		50.	143.			
Total	13,564.	124.	74.	454.	383.			
Grand Totals	142,053.	4,410.	4,763.	15,618.	12,915.	1,579.	3,551.	2,913.

CHURCH	Disbursements				Additional Statistics		
	General Disbursements	Library	Foreign Missions (Special)	Total Disbursements	Subscribers to Fellowship News	Ministers in Other Contr.	Women's Missionary Society (Donated)
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent							
Allentown (Bethel)	22,693.			69,664.	97	500.	2,270.
Allentown (C. Crest)	8,610.			34,893.	37	25.	324.
Allentown (Salem)	4,207.			14,675.	23	50.	
Bethlehem	12,188.			63,612.	73	473.	656.
Blandon	3,250.	231.		19,053.	17	300.	
Catasauqua	6,438.			12,876.	17	266.	
Coopersburg	7,467.			27,027.	30	137.	50.
Denville, N. J.	2,809.			18,973.	31	450.	343.
Easton	4,360.			13,322.	30	350.	
Emmaus	9,751.		2,847.	52,170.	50	750.	
Ephrata	3,614.			14,637.	18	300.	
Fleetwood	3,078.			28,176.	66	237.	
Graterford	7,548.			27,131.		260.	
Harleysville	11,827.			20,617.	53	476.	
Harrisburg	2,895.			21,121.	52	317.	
Hatfield	9,160.			42,833.	39	100.	
Lancaster	2,773.			21,777.	19	453.	
Lebanon	3,929.			13,066.	22	333.	
Leighton	2,364.			12,052.	17	300.	
Maple Glen	8,880.	18.		23,970.	18		39.
Mt. Carmel	3,024.		1,000.	19,205.			
Nazareth	8,505.			25,187.	35	270.	
Paradise	6,671.			13,780.	13	245.	
Phila., (Calvary)	5,955.			19,727.	23		100.
Phila., (Emmanuel)	3,716.			14,691.	19	104.	29.
Quakertown	8,500.			37,679.	81	120.	
Reading	23,429.			53,575.	81	435.	
Royersford	1,155.			17,570.	28	350.	85.
Scranton	3,157.			12,761.	9	227.	65.
Shamokin	6,025.			21,723.	23	447.	1,071.
Sinking Spring	5,358.			12,688.	17		
Spring City	5,443.			29,030.	52	201.	45.
Staten Island, N. Y.	5,207.			16,086.	15	125.	20.
Stroudsburg	1,140.			8,833.		140.	850.
Sunbury	6,052.			31,144.	33	535.	70.
Terre Hill	5,306.			20,686.	24	169.	
Wallingford	22,924.			62,353.	61	110.	200.
York	12,011.			35,157.	31	156.	200.
Zionsville	1,856.		100.	11,520.	28		
Total	273,275.	249.	3,947.	1,015,040.	1,282	9,711.	6,417.
Church Extension Dep't. - Earl M. Hosler, Director							
Belvidere, N. J.	4,484.			10,835.	12	200.	
Finesville, N. J.	2,026.			7,939.	5		
Macungie	3,573.			8,270.	13	300.	
Miller Heights	2,018.			5,481.			
Millersville	2,007.			6,635.			
Walnutport	1,150.			6,798.			
Phillipsburg, N. J.				1,034.			
Total	15,258.			46,992.	30	500.	
Grand Totals	288,533.	249.	3,947.	1,062,032.	1,312	10,211.	6,417.

ROLL AND DIRECTORY OF MINISTERS

1. Ordained Ministers Working Under the Director of the Bible Fellowship Church:

Name	Licensed	Ordained	Assigned	Address	Zip Code
Bean, E. W.	1928	1938	1967	Box 266, Zionsville, Pa.	18092
Beil, James A.	1959	1962	1967	16 South Broad St., Nazareth, Pa.	18064
Brosius, Bert N.	1958	1961	1966	25 Pennhurst Rd. Spring City, Pa.	19475
Church				215-948-9448	
Campbell, M. Leslie	1961	1967	1968	25 Florence Ave., Denver, N.J.	07834
Church				201-627-6706	
Cassel, Carl C.	1956	1958	1962	201-625-1880	
				215-432-0664	
				215-435-2331	
Cassel, Willard E.	1943	1946	1963	723 Filmore St., Allentown, Pa.	18103
+Dotts, Raymond R.	1960	1965	1962	1019 S. Hall St., Allentown, Pa.	18103
Dunn, John	1941	1950	1967	608 Prospect St., Lancaster, Pa.	17603
Ellingson, Bruce A.	1963	1966	1966	515 Locust St., Lebanon, Pa.	17042
Fritz, Harvey J., Jr.	1959	1962	1966	313 N. Third St., Emmaus, Pa.	18049
Church				215-967-2555	
				215-965-2682	
*Hartman, Jansen E.	1942	1946	1949	1020 S. Hall St., Allentown, Pa.	18103
Hartman, W. W.	1930	1937	1964	35 S. Second St., Shamokin, Pa.	17872
Heffner, William A.	1943	1951	1968	Box 32, Paradise, Pa.	17562
Heller, LeRoy S.	1955	1958	1962	504 Oxford St., Coopersburg, Pa.	18036
Church				215-282-3580	
				215-282 3161	
Herb, Frank L., Jr.	1954	1957	1964	1124 N. Main St., Bethlehem, Pa.	18018
Church				215-866-2703	
				215-868-5501	
Herb, George E.	1957	1960	1962	103 W. Pine St., Fleetwood, Pa.	19522
Herb, John H.	1962	1966	1964	Box 155, Pequest Rd. Belvidere, N.J.	07823
Johnson, Robert F.	1958	1961	1963	630 Walnut St., Roversford, Pa.	19468
Kirkwood, C.E.	1937	1940	1966	723 S. Providence Rd. Wallingford, Pa.	19086

Name	Licensed	Ordained	Assigned	Address	
Kirkwood, Donald T.	1951	1954	1967	Box 284, Blandon, Pa.	19510
Knauer, Donald R.	1962	1965	1965	25 S. Third St., Quakertown, Pa.	18951
Koch, James G.	1950	1953	1961	1122 Hampden Blvd. Reading, Pa.	19604
Church					
Kuder, Paul B.	1966	1968	1966	1113 Whitney Ave., Easton, Pa.	18042
Mahurin, Ronald C.	1960	1959	1968	75 W. Broad St., Hatfield, Pa.	19440
Overpeck, Leon K.	1958	1965	1968	404 W. Main St., Terre Hill, Pa.	17581
Plows, Keith E.	1966	1968	1966	4426 VanKirk St., Phila., Pa.	19135
Church					
Reichenbach, R. C.	1937	1941	1964	3210 N. 4th St., Harrisburg, Pa.	17110
Church					
Riggall, John H.	1945	1948	1966	952 N. Duke St., York, Pa.	17404
#Seifert, A. L. (D.S.)	1950	1953	1962	1218 E. Rosemont Dr. Bethlehem, Pa.	18018
Smock, Robert W.	1950	1953	1966	111 E. Chestnut St., Ephrata, Pa.	17522
Thomann, David E.	1943	1946	1965	140 Harleysville Pk. Harleysville, Pa.	19438
Watkins, David J.	1962	1965	1963	111 Bridge St., Graterford, Pa.	19426
Weaber, Harold C.	1963	1967			
Weiss, Norman R.	1960	1963	1967	213 E. Main St., Macungie, Pa.	18062
=Ziegler, Daniel G.	1960	1963	1964	243 Taylor St., Staten Island, N. Y.	10310

+ Instructor - Berean Bible School

* President - Berean Bible School

Conference Superintendent and Director of Pinebrook Bible Conference

= Interim Director of Church Extension

2. Ordained Missionaries

Name	Licensed	Ordained
Bigley, James	1962	1966
Gordon, Robert	1960	1960
Harley, J. Barclay	1956	1960
Hertzog, Roy	1959	1968
Shelly, Austin	1956	1961

3. Ordained Ministers Working With Other Organizations

Cassel, Alva C.	1958	1962	Athens, Maine	04912
Frank, Walter H.	1939	1942	Greater Europe Missions, 214 N. Hale St., Wheaton, Ill.	60187
Miller, C. Leslie	1928	1933	609 E. Cypress St., Apt. 21, Glendale California	91205
Schaeffer, Donald B.	1955	1958	3938 W. Harmont Dr. Phoenix, Ariz.	85021
Yarrington, Harold D.	1942	1952	Connecticut Valley Hospital, Box 351, Middletown, Connecticut	06457

4. Ordained Ministers in Retirement

	Effective		
** Gehret, T. D.	1921	1925	215-435-1732
Heffner, W. F.	1917	1920	717-564-2568
++ Hertzog, F. B.	1922	1925	215-759-4827
Kubic, E. E.	1901	1907	1951
Layne, J. B.	1916	1919	1959
Rutman, E. J.	1937	1940	1055
Stengele, P. T.	1918	1923	1961
Wolf, N. H.	1916	1920	1967
			215-395-5691
			717-733-7800

** General Secretary, Board of Foreign Missions
++ Administrator, Bible Fellowship Church Home

5. Ordained Ministers on Leave of Absence

Baer, Paul E.	1924	1928	1958	215-253-0253
Gardner, Reynold, D. Sr.	1955	1961	1966	
Hottel, W. B.	1944	1947	1968	
				1334 Northampton St. Easton, Pa.
				R. D. #2 Mechanicsburg, Pa.
				R. D. #1, Oley, Pa.

6. Probationers

Name	Licensed	Assigned	Address
Barnhart, Donald	1968	1968	3446 Freemansburg Ave., Bethlehem 18017
Branning, David L.	1967	1966	20 Cherry St., Walnutport, Pa. 18088
Butler, Brian	1968	1967	235 Walnut St., Catasauqua, Pa. 18032
Jansen, Ronald	1967	1966	Main Rd. Finesville, N. J. 08820
Mull, William W.	1968	1967	650 Catawissa Av., Sunbury, Pa. 17801
Smith, Mark T.	1967	1966	21 S. 6th St., Stroudsburg, Pa. 18360
Zimmerman, Paul G.	1966	1967	6902 Chelwynde Ave., Phila., Pa. 19142
Church		215-727-8959	

7. Supply Pastors *

Frable, Arthur H.	1968	215-377-1277	137 N. 4th St., Lehighnton, Pa. 18235
Franklin, William B.	1967	215-886-4862	418 Roslyn Ave., Glenside, Pa. 19038
Church		215-646-1220	
Spackman, Carl C.	1968	717-339-4693	132 W. 4th St., Mt. Carmel, Pa. 17851

* The following Churches have not received Supply Pastor as of 10/18/68:

Allentown C. Crest) - Cedar Crest Blvd. & Rt. 309 Allentown, Pa. 18104
 Millersville - R. D. #1, Millersville, Pa. 17551
 Sinking Spring - Route 422, Sinking Spring, Pa. 19565

Lay Members of the Board of Directors:

Cassel, Byron C. 215-884-6622
 Cressman, James R. 215-867-7334
 Gehman, Kermit K. 215-965-2971
 Wentz, Paul I. 215-437-2775

Bible Fellowship Church Home, Nazareth, Pa. 215-759-5121
 Pinebrook 717-424-1212
 Berean Bible School
 Office
 Women's Dormitory 215-437-9865
 Men's Dormitory 215-433-9868
 215-433-9034

Faculty and Staff (Residences):

Coppes, Leonard J. 215-432-8159
 DeLong, Carole, F. 215-432-6275
 Dotts, Raymond R. 215-437-1787
 Hartman, Jansen E. 215-434-2251
 Mann, Joyce P. 215-435-4189
 Montgomery, Judith E. 215-797-0585
 Neumoyer, Emily R. 215-434-8296
 Pokrywka, John F. 215-437-2332
 Rohrbach, Marie 215-435-2973

DELEGATES TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE -- 1968

Allentown (Bethel)	John L. Deily, 514 N. St. Lucas St. Allentown, Pa. 18104
Allentown (C. Crest)	R. Paul Schaeffer, 10 E. Spruce St., Emmaus, Pa. 18049
Allentown (Salem)	Allan C. Palmer, 720 E. Juniata St., Allentown Pa. 18103
Bethlehem	Myron H. Gehret, 2324 Jennings St., Bethlehem, 18017
Blandon	John I. Mengel, Blandon, Pa. 19510
Catasauqua	Arthur W. Deppe, 323 E. 9th St., Northampton, Pa. 18067
Coopersburg	Arthur Mack, 336 N. Main St., Coopersburg, Pa. 18036
Denville, N. J.	John F. Moran, 77 Morris Ave., Tabor, N. J. 07878
Easton	Russell E. Dech, 15 S. 17th St., Easton, Pa. 18042
Ephrata	Robert W. Gehret, R. D. #3, Ephrata, Pa. 17522
Emmaus	Paul I. Wentz, Sr., 1003 S. Jefferson St., Allentown, Pa. 18103
Fleetwood	Norman L. Reed, 124 E. Main St., Fleetwood, Pa. 19522
Graterford	Edward A. Stortz, 104 W. 3rd Ave., College- ville, Pa. 19426
Harleysville	H. Phares Mumbauer, Harleysville, Pa. 19438
Harrisburg	Walter A. Schlagel, 633 S. 29th St. Harrisburg Pa. 17111
Hatfield	Clyde W. Snyder, 2129 E. Orvilla Rd., Hatfield 19440
Lancaster	Horace A. Kauffman, 25 E. Lemon St., Lititz, Pa. 17543
Lebanon	Frank L. Herb, Sr., 436 Locust St., Lebanon, Pa. 17042
Lehighton	Willard Blocker, 123 N. 4th St., Lehighton, Pa. 18235
Maple Glen	Byron C. Cassel, 47 Hillcrest Ave., Glen- side, Pa. 19038
Mount Carmel	Roy E. Williams, 2139 Walnut St., Ashland, Pa. 17921
Nazareth	Norman W. Granda, North & Whitfield, Nazareth, Pa. 18064
Paradise	E. Gerald Hershey, R. D. #2, Gap, Pa. 1752
Phila., (Calvary)	Leon H. Naudasher, 408 Henry Ave., Palmyra, N. J. 08065
Phila., (Emmanuel)	Edward J. Dietzman, 318 Durfor St., Phila., Pa. 19148
Quakertown	Harold P. Shelly, 14 S. Hellertown Rd., Quaker- town, Pa. 18951
Reading	Robert Breitegam, Walnut Rd., R. D. #3, Read- ing, Pa. 19606

Royersford	William R. Hunsberger, 417 N. 7th Ave., Royersford, Pa. 19468
Scranton	Carl H. Kellerman, 913 Hickory St., Scranton, Pa. 18505
Shamokin	T. Lamarn Manney, 20 W. Adams St., Shamokin, Pa. 17872
Sinking Spring	Paul W. Sensenig, 540 Fritztown Rd., Sinking Spring, Pa. 19608
Spring City	John F. Boyle, Hasson Rd., R. D. #1, Phoenixville, Pa. 19460
Staten Island, N. Y.	Ralph D. Cole, 113 Floyd St., Staten Island, N. Y. 10310
Stroudsburg	George R. Fish, 47 Spangenberg Ave., East Stroudsburg, Pa. 18301
Sunbury	Allan F. Smith, 515 N. 9th St., Sunbury, Pa. 17801
Terre Hill	J. R. Weber, R. D. #1, Denver, Pa. 17517
Wallingford	Robert W. Truett, 4 Brookwood Pl., Brookhaven, Chester, Pa. 19015
York	Sterling E. Baer, 1903 Bannister St., York, Pa. 17404
Zionsville	Bright N. Heist, R. D. #1, Zionsville, Pa. 18092



Dr. William Campbell and Moroccan Nationals

DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES

<u>Church</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time of Services</u>		
		S.S.	A.M.	P.M.
Allentown(Bethel) - 528 N. Eighth Street		9:30	10:40	7:00
Allentown(Cedar Crest) -801 S. Cedar Crest Blvd.		9:30	10:30	7:00
Allentown(Salem) - 641 Genesee Street		9:00	10:15	7:30
Bethlehem - 1123 N. Main Street		9:00	10:15	7:15
Blandon - Chestnut Street		9:00	10:15	7:00
Catasauqua - 233 Walnut Street		9:30	10:30	7:00
Coopersburg - 518 N. Main Street		9:00	10:10	7:00
Denville - 263 Diamond Spring Road		9:30	10:45	7:00
Easton - 12th and Spruce Street		9:30	10:45	7:30
Ephrata - 101 E. Chestnut Street		9:15	10:30	7:30
Emmaus - 418-20 Elm Street		10:15	9:00	7:30
Fleetwood - South Richmond Street		10:30	9:15	7:30
Graterford - Route #29, Graterford		9:30	10:40	7:00
Harleysville - Route 113, Harleysville		9:00	10:15	7:00
Harrisburg - Division and Reel Streets		9:30	10:35	7:30
Hatfield - West Broad Street		9:30	10:30	7:00
Lancaster - Prospect & Hager Streets		9:30	10:40	7:30
Lebanon - 521 Locust Street		9:30	10:30	7:30
Lehighton - Cypress & Fourth Streets		9:30	10:40	7:30
Maple Glen - Welsh Road		9:45	11:00	7:00
Mount Carmel - 130 W. Fourth Street		9:30	10:30	7:00
Nazareth - Rose Inn and Beil Ave.		9:30	10:30	7:30
Paradise - Lincoln Highway Route 30		9:30	10:35	7:30
Phila.(Calvary) 4416 VanKirk Street		9:45	11:00	7:30
Phila.(Emmanuel) 65th&Dickens Ave.		9:45	11:00	7:30
Quakertown - 27 South Third Street		9:00	10:05	7:00
Reading - Hampden Blvd. & Marion Street		9:30	10:45	7:30
Royersford - 618 Walnut Street		9:00	10:10	7:00
Scranton - 1021 Taylor Ave.		10:00	11:00	7:30
Shamokin - 35 S. Second Street		9:30	10:45	7:30
Sinking Spring - Route 422		10:00-11:30	7:00	
Spring City - Pennhurst Rd. & Bridge Street		9:30	10:45	7:00
Staten Island - 243 Taylor St. (W. Brighton)		9:45	11:00	7:00
Stroudsburg - 23 South 6th Street		9:30	10:30	7:00
Sunbury - Race St. near Sixth		9:30	10:30	7:30
Terre Hill - 407 W. Main Street		8:50	10:00	7:30
Wallingford - 723 S. Providence Road		9:30	10:45	7:00
York - 6th and Duke Streets (North York)		9:30	10:40	7:00
Zionsville - South Vera Cruz Road		9:30	10:30	7:30

CHURCH EXTENSION CHURCHES

Belvidere - Pequest Road	10:00	11:00	7:30
Finesville - Main Road	9:30	10:45	7:30
Macungie - 108 Walnut Street	9:15	10:30	7:00
Miller Heights - 5th and Alternate Route 22	9:30	10:30	7:00
Millersville - R. D. 1	9:30	10:45	7:30
Walnutport - 233 Main Street	9:15	10:15	7:00

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 1969

1. Adjourned Session of Annual Conference
Calvary Bible Fellowship Church, Coopersburg, Pa.
December 7, 1968 at 9:00 A.M.
April 12, 1969 at 9:00 A.M.
 2. Sunday School Convention
April 26, 1969
 3. Ministerial Convention
Pinebrook, May 20-21, 1969
 4. Victory Valley Camps

June 28 - July 5	Girls 8-14 years, grades 2-8
July 5 - 12	Girls 8-14 years, grades 2-8
July 12 - 19	Girls 8-14 years, grades 2-8
July 19 - 26	Boys 8-14 years, grades 2-8
July 26 - August 2	Boys 8-14 years, grades 2-8
August 2 - 9	Co-ed Camp for Junior High
August 9 - 16	Co-ed Camp for Senior High
- A choice will be given boys and girls in seventh and eighth grades to continue in Girls' or Boys' camps, respectively, or select Junior High camp involving a co-ed situation, according to their preference.
5. Youth Fellowship Retreats
College and Career, December 26-28, 1968
Winter Youth Retreat, January 3-5, 1969
Winter Youth Retreat, January 10-12, 1969
 6. Bible Fellowship Church Weeks - Pinebrook
June 28 to July 6, 1969
July 7 - 13
July 14 - 20
 7. Bible Fellowship Church Youth Week - Pinebrook
July 28 to August 3
 8. Annual Conference
October 13, 1969 at 10:00 A.M. Pinebrook

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