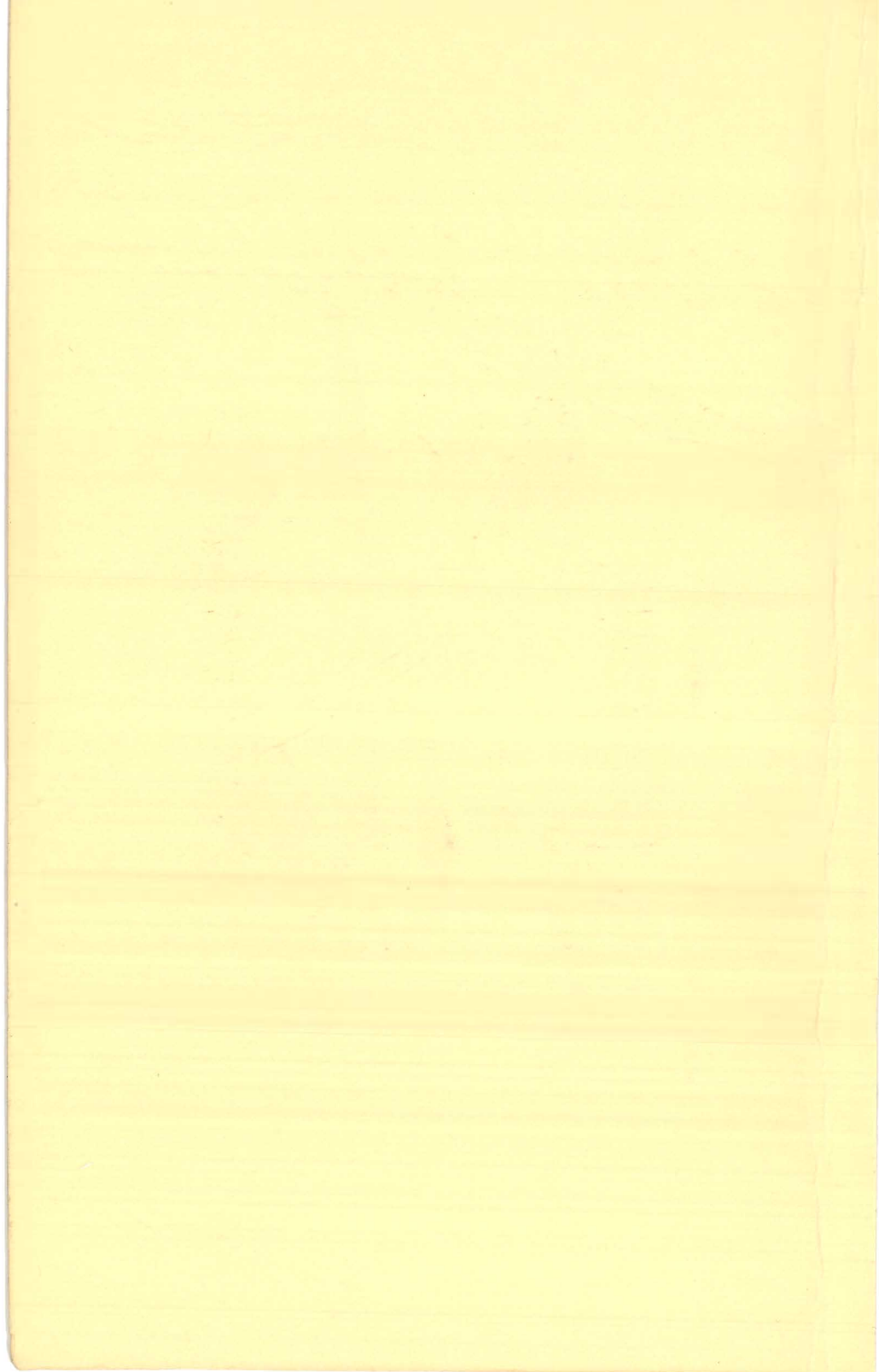


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Eighty-Sixth Annual Conference

of the

Bible Fellowship Church

1969

IN MEMORIAM



Rev. J. B. Layne

Brother Layne was born in Philadelphia on April 2, 1894 and died April 4, 1969, aged seventy years and two days.

Converted February 12, 1911, Brother Layne soon recognized the leading of the Lord in his life and in May of 1913 he entered the work of the Gospel Herald Society. He received Annual Conference License in 1916 and was ordained to the Gospel Ministry in 1919. He continued to faithfully labor in the vineyard of the Lord over a period of forty-six years.

At the Annual Conference in October of 1959, held at Bethel Church, Allentown, Brother Layne requested that he be placed on the retired list due to physical circumstances. For the last decade of his life he maintained his membership in the church at York. Always manifesting a quiet and meditative spirit, he willingly responded to any call to assist in the local work.

In 1917 the church at Sunbury was organized with 45 members, and J. B. Layne as Pastor. Following his pastorate at Sunbury he pastored the following churches: Easton, 1918-1925; Quakertown, 1925-1930; York, 1930-1945; Sunbury, 1945-1952; Lehigh, 1952-1959. He also served at Lebanon, 1916-1917.

He was also active in the conference, serving on the Board of Directors, Church Extension Board and also the office of Vice District Superintendent.

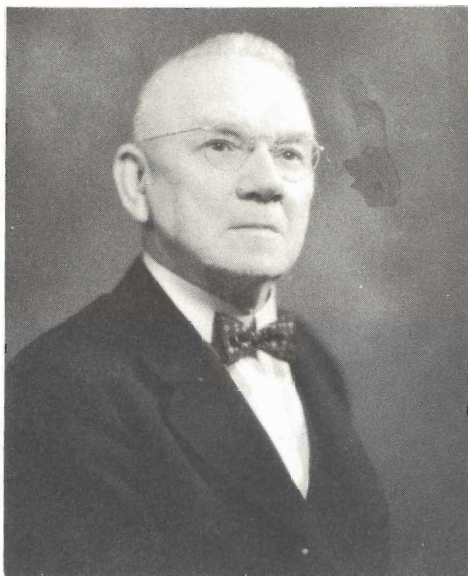
Though unable to take responsibility in the York church at retirement, he committed himself to a concentrated study on prophecy in his home. In spite of diminishing eyesight, he spent several hours daily reading his Bible with a magnifying glass.

For several years he attended the York church unable to hear a single word spoken. His presence was a living testimony to his concern for the House of the Lord. He was in church the Sunday prior to his death.

Brother Layne is survived by his daughter Miriam A. Bahner, several grandchildren: James Bahner and Barbara (Bahner) Harshbarger, Ruth, Lois, Esther and Daniel Habriel, and one brother, Albert, a half sister, Marian Wood, and two great-grandchildren, Cheryl and Christina. His wife, Fannie Minnich Layne, preceded him in death August 1966. A daughter, Dorothy E. Habriel, died in November 1957.

Funeral services were conducted in Faith Church, York, on Tuesday, April 8. His Pastor, Rev. John H. Riggall, preached the sermon, A. L. Seifert read the Scripture and offered prayer, F. B. Hertzog read the obituary. The Pastor's Quartet comprising, Carl C. Cassel, LeRoy S. Heller, William A. Heffner and David E. Thomann, sang several appropriate hymns.

We cherish the memory of a fellow worker; his devotion and loyalty to Christ was exemplary. For him, the toiling, the trials, the weariness of body are over. Absent from the body and present with the Lord. Peace, rest and Home!



Rev. E. E. Kublic

Brother Kublic was born in Germany on September 8, 1878 and was brought over to the United States when very young. He entered the work of the Gospel Herald Society on December 1, 1899. At the Annual Conference held in Bethlehem, Pa., in the year of 1901, he was granted Annual Conference License. Six years later he was ordained to the Christian Ministry at the Annual Conference held at Royersford in 1907.

Brother Kublic served in the ministry of the Bible Fellowship Church for nearly three-score years, pastoring the following churches: Nazareth, two years, four months; Quakertown and Hatfield, four years, eight months; Easton, three years; Emmaus and Macunige, four years; Lehighton and Weissport, four years; Stroudsburg, six years; Mount Carmel, seven years; Stroudsburg, thirteen years; Lebanon, six years. God gave to our Brother a full and fruitful life. Many will remember him for his faithful and devoted ministry, and will have cause to praise the Lord for his influence upon them.

At the Annual Conference held at Allentown, Pa., in October of 1951, Brother Kublic retired from the active ministry. Living in Walnutport, he faithfully attended the services of the Bible Fellowship Church, and was always ready to assist and help wherever there was need. In 1959 he moved to Lebanon and remained there until his death on June 6, 1969. During these years of retirement he attended the services of the church until his physical condition

no longer permitted it. He loved the Lord. He loved the Lord's people, and always appreciated when any of the Brethren came to visit with him.

Brother Kublic is survived by his faithful companion, Clara (nee Curry), Kublic, three daughters: Ferol A., wife of Vernon Sheats, Philadelphia; Dorothy V., wife of Bernard Zeller, Van Nuys, California, and Ethel, wife of Jack S. Herb, Lebanon; a son, Shimer E., Stroudsburg; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Amelia Eister, Sunbury.

Funeral services were conducted from the Rohland Funeral Home, Lebanon, on June 19. The Pastor's Quartet sang several appropriate numbers, Bruce A. Ellingson read the Scripture and led in prayer. The message was brought by District Superintendent A. L. Seifert, and was based on the 23rd Psalm. Interment was made in the Grandview Cemetery in Allentown. Rev. T. D. Gehret brought a brief meditation at the graveside from Hebrews 11:16 "They desire a better country".

Servant of God well done, thy labor and toil are over, the rest is thine. Soon, the trump of God shall sound, and as the saints are caught up to be with the Lord we shall meet again.



Exterior of Royersford Church



Interior of Royersford Church



Interior of Stroudsburg Church



Interior of Paradise Church

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Exterior of Bethlehem Church

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 meeting, 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 Conference Superintendent and the delegates of all Stations and Circuits shall constitute the Stationing Committee. The

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Annual Conference may grant the status of a Station to a Mission Church which has contributed a minimum of \$4,800.00 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 \$4,800.00 to the Pastor, it shall forfeit its voice in the Stationing Committee.

The Stationing 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 Bible Fellowship Church Home
5. Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College
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

14. Sunday School Promotion Committee
15. Historical Committee
16. 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 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.

LOCAL CONFERENCE RULES

A. No person shall be elected to the office of Deacon, Class leader or Sunday School Superintendent who uses or deals in tobacco.

B. The Local Conference accounts of the Stewards shall be from quarter to quarter, and the reports on the Schedule (PS--3) 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.

C. 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, Committee on Publication and 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, 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-

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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

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:

Trustee
 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-3) 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 fourth Local Conference minutes and the Pastor's Statistical Report (PS-3) (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 and the Pastor's Summary Statistical Report (PS-3), 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.
- T. 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.

(end of By-Laws)

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

1. To be paid at Adjourned Session

- A -- Ministers' Retirement Fund
Ministers' assessment from receipts since Annual Conference

- B -- The Home -- Annual
Offering for the Home for the Aging
- C -- 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
2. To be paid at Annual Conference
- D -- Ministers' Retirement Fund
Ministers' assessment from receipts since Adjourned Session
3. To be paid as Directed
- E -- Church Extension -- pledges may be received -- to be paid quarterly to the Secretary of the Board of Church Extension
- F -- Foreign Missions -- pledges may be received -- to be paid quarterly to the General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions
- G -- Pinebrook Junior College -- make check(s) payable to Pinebrook Junior College and send it to Box 481, R. D. #3, East Stroudsburg, Pa. 18301
- H -- Victory Valley Youth Camp -- to be sent by March 1 to _____, Secretary, Board of Victory Valley
- I -- Sunday School Promotion Committee -- check to be sent by April 1 to _____, Financial Secretary of the Sunday School Promotion 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

Pinebrook Junior College
Youth Fellowship General Committee

ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

1969

The 86th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church opened at 10:00 a. m. in the Chapel at Pinebrook on October 13, 1969.

Devotional leader Keith E. Plows led the Conference in singing, "O For a Thousand Tongues". After the reading of Exodus 12:1-14, 21-27, C. E. Kirkwood led in prayer.

The hymn, "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus" was sung.

Chairman A. L. Siefert gave a Communion Meditation concerning "The Finished Work of Christ."

John H. Riggall, Horace A. Kauffman, R. C. Reichenbach, Daniel G. Ziegler and Paul H. Cressman assisted in the Communion Service.

"And when they had sung a hymn" - "Amazing Grace", the Communion Service closed.

The following members answered to the roll call:

ORDAINED MINISTERS: 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, LeRoy S. Heller, Frank L. Herb, Jr., George E. Herb, John H. Herb, Robert F. Johnson, C. E. Kirkwood, Donald T. Kirkwood, Donald R. Knauer, James G. Koch, Paul B. Kuder, Leon K. Overpeck, Keith E. Plows, R. C. Reichenbach, John H. Riggall, A. L. Seifert, Robert W. Smock, David E. Thomann, David J. Watkins, Harold C. Weaver, Daniel G. Ziegler, T. D. Gehret, P. T. Stengele.

PROBATIONERS: Brian Butler, Terris Byrd, Arthur H. Fable, William M. Franklin, William W. Mull, Mark T. Smith, Carl K. Spackman, LeRoy C. Wilcox.

DELEGATES:

Allentown, (Bethel)
Allentown, (Cedar Crest)
Allentown, (Salem)
Bethlehem
Blandon

John L. Deily
R. Paul Schaeffer
Allan C. Palmer
Paul H. Cressman
John I. Mengel

Catasauqua
Coopersburg
Denville, N. J.
Easton
Ephrata
Emmaus
Fleetwood
Graterford
Harleysville
Harrisburg
Hatfield
Lancaster
Lebanon
Lehighton
Maple Glen
Mount Carmel
Nazareth
Paradise
Philadelphia (Calvary)
Philadelphia (Emmanuel)
Quakertown
Reading
Royersford
Scranton
Shamokin
Sinking Spring
Spring City
Staten Island, N. Y.
Stroudsburg
Sunbury
Terre Hill
Wallingford
York
Zionsville

Arthur W. Deppe
Arthur Mack
George Harper
Leonard F. Kessler
Robert W. Gehret
Paul I. Wentz,
Norman L. Reed
Edward A. Stortz
H. Phares Mumbauer
Walter A. Schlager
Clyde W. Snyder
Horace A. Kauffman
Frank L. Herb, Sr.
Willard Blocker
Byron C. Cassel
Roy E. Williams
Norman W. Granda
E. Gerald Hershey
Leon H. Naudasher
Edward J. Dietzman
Harold P. Shelly
Robert Breitegam
William R. Hunsberger
Franklin Mead
T. Lamarn Manney
Paul W. Sensenig
John F. Boyle
Roger S. Bowne
Oscar Barry
Allan F. Smith
J. R. Weber (Absent)
Robert W. Truett (Absent)
Sterling E. Baer
Bright N. Heist

The following members were absent: William A. Heffner, Ronald C. Mahurin, Paul E. Baer, W. F. Heffner, F. B. Hertzog, E. J. Rutman, N. H. Wolf, Robert E. Salzman, Paul G. Zimmerman, W. B. Hottel, Reynold D. Gardner, Sr., J. R. Weber and Robert W. Truett

Communications relative to absence were received from William A. Heffner, F. B. Hertzog, Ronald C. Mahurin, Robert E. Salzman, N. H. Wolf, Paul G. Zimmerman, Alva C. Cassel, J. R. Weber, Robert W. Truett and Paul E. Baer.

Resolved, That the written and oral excuses be accepted.

Whereas, various members of the Conference have asked to be excused from certain meetings, therefore,

Resolved, That these requests be honored.

Oscar Barry, new Delegate from Stroudsburg, was introduced to the Conference.

Resolved, That alternate Delegate Robert Weaver from Terre Hill be seated as delegate.

Secretary James A. Beil appointed Willard E. Cassel as Assistant Secretary and Robert W. Smock as Recording Secretary.

Resolved, That the first nine rows of seats be the Conference Bar.

Resolved, That no one be permitted to leave the Conference Bar without permission of the Chairman except Mark T. Smith.

REPORT OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE (See page 29)

The report was accepted.

The Agenda was presented.

The Chairman appointed the following Committees:

Committee on Auditing: Horace A. Kauffman, Roger S. Bowne, 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, Oscar Barry, John F. Boyle, Robert Breitegam, Brian Butler, John L. Deily, Arthur W. Deppe, Arthur H. Frable, William B. Franklin, Norman W. Granda, George Harper, W. W. Hartman, Bright N. Heist, Frank L. Herb, Jr., John H. Herb, E. Gerald Hershey, Leonard F. Kessler, Paul B. Kuder, Arthur Mack, Franklin Mead, John I. Mengel, William W. Mull, H. Phares Mumbauer, Leon K. Overpeck, Allan C. Palmer, Walter A. Schlagel, Allan F. Smith, Mark T. Smith, Clyde W. Snyder, Carl K. Spackman, Edward A. Stortz, Robert W. Truett, Harold C. Weaver, J. R. Weber, LeRoy C. Wilcox, Paul G. Zimmerman.

Committee on Finance: Paul I. Wentz, Byron C. Cassel, Paul H. Cressman, Robert W. Gehret, Roy E. Williams.

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

Reporter: Keith E. Plows

Tellers: James G. Koch, George E. Herb, Robert F. Johnson, Ronald C. Mahurin, David J. Watkins.

Timekeeper: M. Leslie Campbell

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS (See page 29)

The report was accepted.

Whereas, After prayerful deliberation, Norman R. Weiss has requested that we accept his resignation from active ministry in the Bible Fellowship Church, therefore,

Resolved, That we regretfully accept his resignation and drop his name from our roll of ministers. We pray that he may have divine direction for his future service to God.

Whereas, The Ministerial Candidate Committee has recommended that the Ordination Credentials of Brian Butler and William W. Mull be recognized by the Bible Fellowship Church, and

Whereas, These men have had fruitful years of ministry prior to their service in the Bible Fellowship Church and have served acceptably as probationers in the Bible Fellowship Church, and

Whereas, The Credentials Committee, after an examination of these men, believe that they are called of God to the Gospel Ministry and that they are in accord with the Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church, therefore,

Resolved, That the Ordination of Brian Butler and William W. Mull be recognized at a meeting of the 86th Annual Conference.

Resolved, That the request of Raymond R. Dotts for "inactive status" be granted and that his name be listed as an Ordained Minister on Leave of Absence.

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint a man to prepare a suitable obituary for E. E. Kublic and J. B. Layne to appear in the 1969 Year Book.

The Chairman appointed T. D. Gehret.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS (See page 32)

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That the following be added to the end of the first paragraph on standing rules on page 10 of the mimeographed Faith and Order concerning the election of conference boards and committees: "All retired ministers willing to serve are eligible for election to boards and committees" (Second Reading)

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

Adjourned at 11:40 a. m. with prayer by Robert F. Johnson.

Second Meeting
Monday Afternoon, October 13, 1969

Clyde W. Snyder led in prayer.

REPORT OF THE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP GENERAL COMMITTEE
(See page 32).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That the Youth Fellowship of each Bible Fellowship Church submit 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 at the Adjourned Session of this Conference.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION AND PRINTING (See page 35).

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER (See page 36).

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION COMMITTEE
(See page 106).

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, 1970.

Resolved, That we approve "Let's Get Acquainted" to be printed and made available to our Sunday Schools.

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED

Welcome to our Sunday School! We say "our" because we hope that you will consider making the Bible Fellowship Sunday School "Your" Sunday School. We feel certain that you will enjoy yourself in our Sunday School with its classes for all ages and its emphasis on the study of the Word of God.

You may have already noted the denominational emblem on the front cover. Note the emphasis on the Bible and the Cross! We of the Bible Fellowship Sunday School require that our teachers center their studies on the Word of God and seek to bring each member to a personal knowledge of Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. Note also the joined hands on the emblem. We call ourselves the Bible FELLOWSHIP Church because we believe there is a true fellow-

ship among born-again believers. In fact, if you have not been made to feel "at home", kindly pass the word on to the pastor of our church. We consider it essential that all visitors feel like they are a part of us right from the start!

Our objectives are threefold:

1. The salvation of people through the clear teaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ crucified and risen again, not taking the salvation of anyone for granted, is the primary objective of every teacher and officer.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life."

2. The thorough teaching of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation to every member. We believe the Bible to be the inspired and infallible Word of God, the supreme and final authority for faith and conduct.

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."
II Timothy 2:13

3. The training of every believer to bear a personal testimony, encouraging him to yield his life for whatever purpose God may have for him.

"...Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8

Also of interest to you is the fact that our local Bible Fellowship Sunday School is one of approximately 45 schools located throughout Eastern Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey. As a denomination, we support over 50 missionaries, underwrite a Junior College, and maintain a home for the aging. A summer Bible Conference program and a camp for children and young people are also conducted.

YOUR RESPONSE

We hope you will want to study the Word of God with us through our Sunday School. We invite you to take advantage of our program. The decision is yours. Why not attend regularly each Sunday?

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL CONVENTION (See page 39).

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL CANDIDATE COMMITTEE (See page 41).

The report was accepted.

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

Probationers:

Donald Barnhart, Miller Heights, Pa.	1968
David Branning, Walnutport, Pa.	1967
Leonard Buck, Republic of South Africa	1958
Terris Byrd, Sinking Spring, Pa.	1969
Arthur H. Frable, Lehighton, Pa.	1969
William M. Franklin, Maple Glen, Pa.	1969
Richard Gehman, Kenya, East Africa	1964
Robert Salzman, Cedar Crest, Allentown, Pa.	1969
Theodore Shelling, Baltimore, Md.	1966
Mark T. Smith, Stroudsburg, Pa.	1967
Carl K. Spackman, Mt. Carmel, Pa.	1969
LeRoy C. Wilcox, Scranton, Pa.	1968
Paul G. Zimmerman, Philadelphia, Pa.	1966

Candidates:

David Manney, Ecuador
 Robert Marshall, Allentown, Pa.
 Robert Minnig, Philadelphia, Pa.

Applicants:

Timothy Baker, York, Pa.
 William Bartron, Stroudsburg, Pa.
 Douglas Bowne, Staten Island, Pa.
 Timothy Campbell, Bethlehem, Pa.
 William Duane, Denville, N.J.
 Larry Gradwohl, Nazareth, Pa.
 Gary Hoffman, Catasauqua, Pa.
 Gregory Kletzing, Salfordville, Pa.
 Charles Kramer, Spring City, Pa.
 George Lee, Venezuela
 Rodney Long, Elysburg, Pa.
 Roger Reitz, Shamokin, Pa.
 Jonathan Reynolds, Thompkinsville, Pa.
 Harold Snyder, East Stroudsburg, Pa.
 Keith Stickler, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Richard Taylor, Graterford, Pa.
 David A. Thomann, Harleysville, Pa.
 John Vandegriff, Jr., Boonton, N.J.
 Dana Weller, Aristes, Pa.
 Clyde Whary, Elysburg, Pa.
 Larry Yerger, Detroit, Michigan

Oral reports by the Editor and Business Manager of the FELLOWSHIP NEWS were given.

Robert Minnig and Robert Marshall, Candidates under the Ministerial Candidate Committee, addressed the Conference.

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 5:15 p.m. with prayer by John F. Boyle

Third Meeting Monday Evening, October 13, 1969

Roger S. Bowne led in prayer.

The following were elected:

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

The minutes of the morning and afternoon meetings were read and approved as corrected.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT (See page 102)

REPORT OF THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF CHURCH EXTENSION
(See page 44).

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF PINEBROOK JR. COLLEGE
(See page 52).

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION (See page 54)

The above reports were accepted.

The following articles from the Committee to Coordinate Legislation Proposed By the Board of Church Extension were adopted for Second Reading:

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. *

* 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.

Resolved, That all funds for Church Extension be forwarded to the Secretary of the Board of Church Extension.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PUBLISH FELLOWSHIP NEWS (See page 42).

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	\$	50.00
Board of Church Extension		50.00
Board of Directors of Pinebrook Jr. College		50.00
Sunday School Promotion Committee		50.00
Committee on Publication and Printing		800.00

Checks should be made payable to FELLOWSHIP NEWS and sent to the Treasurer no later than February 1, 1970.

Resolved, That the Committee to Print the Year Book, Committee to Publish FELLOWSHIP NEWS, Committee on Publication and Printing be combined to be called the Board of Publication and Printing, and, further,

Resolved, That each of these committees elect two from its membership, forming a sub-committee to prepare the necessary material for implementing this change.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PINEBROOK JR. COLLEGE (See page 70).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That each church be encouraged to support Pinebrook Junior College at a level of 4% of its annual offerings and that this support be remitted to the college in twelve monthly payments.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH HOME (See page 75).

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VICTORY VALLEY CAMP (See page 78).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That each church make a contribution to Victory Valley Camp. The anticipated budget of the camp indicates need for contribution from the church of approximately 1% of each church's total offerings. Checks should be made payable to Victory Valley Camp and sent to the Secretary of the Board before March 1, 1970.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS (See page 59).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That all funds for Foreign Missions be forwarded quarterly to the General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 8:48 p.m. with prayer by Jansen E. Hartman.

**Fourth Meeting
Tuesday Morning, October 14, 1969**

Devotional leader Keith E. Plows led the Conference in the singing of "Love Divine".

Acts 2:37-47 was read. "My Jesus I Love Thee" was sung after which Clyde W. Snyder led us in prayer.

Paul B. Kuder spoke from Philippians concerning the "Fellowship of Believers".

The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

The following were elected:

Ministerial Candidate Committee: James A. Beil, Carl C. Cassel, Robert F. Johnson, David E. Thomann, David J. Watkins.

The material presented for first reading by the Committee to Study Church Government was considered.

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

Resolved, That the Government Committee conduct open meetings this week to allow any delegate or pastor who desires to express his concerns on the issue of demanding subscription to the Faith and Order by elders, and, further,

Resolved, That the Government Committee shall consider these expressions and bring to this body this week a proposal which shall help us hold a proper standard of faith with graciousness in our present transistion.

Resolved, That the Interim Director of Church Extension be a member of the Board of Church Extension by virtue of his appointment.

Resolved, That we adjourn to meet at 2:00 p.m.

Adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Fifth Meeting
Tuesday Afternoon, October 14, 1969

John H. Herb led in prayer.

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

The following were elected:

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

Board of Foreign Missions: Brian Butler, John Dunn, David E. Thomann, Robert Breitegam, James R. Cressman, Kermit K. Gehman, Roy E. Williams.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules

J. Barclay Harley, missionary to Venezuela, Laird F. Stengele, missionary to India (both supported by the Bible Fellowship Church) and Frank Fendler, Christian Education Director of the Wallingford Church addressed the Conference.

Whereas, Spring City has petitioned for permission to conduct one congregational meeting per year, and,

Whereas, This petition was referred to the Government Committee (see page 14, Year Book, 1968) and,

Whereas, Upon consideration by the Government Committee, the conducting of one congregational meeting per year has merit, therefore,

Resolved, That ARTICLE VIII be revised as follows:

"Because they are 'undershepherds' and not 'lords' the elders shall rule the congregation according to the direction of Christ, the Chief Shepherd, as expressed in the Scriptures; and the needs of the membership. They shall conduct at least one congregational meeting per year to report the status of the work of the congregation; and when they deem advisable, present recommendations to the congregation. The congregation shall have the power to accept, to suggest changes or to reject such recommendations." (First Reading)

We consider this to be the answer to the Spring City petition.

Resolved, That we vote on the second reading of the resolution regarding the office of District Superintendent; then vote on the proposed transitional legislation and the second reading of the proposed form of government.

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

Adjourned at 3:35 p.m. with prayer by James G. Koch.

Sixth Meeting Tuesday Evening, October 14, 1969

Laird F. Stengele led in prayer.

James R. Cressman, Financial Secretary of Board of Directors, addressed the Conference.

The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE LOCAL CONFERENCE MINUTES (See page 86).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That the petition from the Stroudsburg Church be granted and their delegate be seated on the Stationing Committee.

Resolved, That the petition from the Zionsville Church be granted and their delegate be seated on the Stationing Committee.

Resolved, That the figure of \$500 in Number 4 under "Trustees" in our Faith and Order be changed to \$1,000. (First Reading)

The following were elected:

Board of Church Extension: (3 years) Harvey J. Fritz, Jr. (2 years) James G. Koch, (1 year) Bert N. Brosius, (3 years) John Deily, (2 years) Clyde W. Snyder, (1 year) Clayton Weber.

Resolved, That at 11:00 a.m., October 16, 1969, the Annual Conference go into a session as a committee of the whole with the

Credentials Committee leading a discussion on matters related to our unity.

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 8:25 p.m. with prayer by T.D. Gehret

Seventh Meeting
Wednesday Morning, October 15, 1969

"And Can It Be" was the opening hymn. Leon H. Naudasher led in prayer.

The Scripture portion from I Corinthians 15:1-8 and 51-58 was read. The Conference sang, "Full Reward".

Leon K. Overpeck spoke from II Timothy four concerning "Encouragement in the Times of Discouragement".

The minutes were read and approved as presented.

The following were elected:

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

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (See page 87).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet at 1:30 p.m.

Adjourned at 10:06 with prayer by Mark T. Smith

Eighth Meeting
Wednesday Afternoon, October 15, 1969

LeRoy C. Wilcox led in prayer.

The minutes were read and approved as read.

The following were elected:

Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church: Carl C. Cassel, Jansen E. Hartman, Frank L. Herb, Jr., John H. Riggall, Bryon C. Cassel, James R. Cressman, Paul I. Wentz, Horace A. Kauffman.

Norman Fox, Instructor at Pinebrook, Jr. College, addressed the Conference.

REPORT OF THE STATIONING COMMITTEE. (See page 108).

The report was accepted.

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.

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 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.

The above five articles from the Committee to Coordinate Legislation Prepared by the Board of Church Extension passed for Second Reading.

The following were elected:

Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church Home: James A. Beil, A. L. Seifert, Paul I. Wentz.

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. (First Reading)

The above article was originally submitted by the Committee to Coordinate Legislation prepared by the Board of Church Extension in the 1968 report and is found on page 106, 1968 Yearbook.

Resolved, That we adjourn to meet at 7:00 p.m.

Adjourned at 5:35 p.m. with prayer by Walter A. Schlagel.

Ninth Meeting
Wednesday Evening, October 14, 1969

Donald T. Kirkwood led in prayer.

The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE (See page 110).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That the Archivist be appointed by the Chairman of Annual Conference and that his term of office be indefinite.

Harold Snyder was appointed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE (See page 143).

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE POSSIBILITY OF MOVING ANNUAL CONFERENCE TO SPRING (See page 111).

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE MINUTES OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE (See page 111).

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PREPARE THE YEAR BOOK (See page 111).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That the reports of the Conference Superintendent, the President of Pinebrook Junior College, the General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions and the Director of Church Extension be in the hands of the individual assigned to type copy for the Yearbook no later than October 1 of each year.

Resolved, That the minutes of the Wednesday Evening Meeting, October 16, 1968 be opened and that the word "One" be changed to read "Two" as found on page 17 under the subject "2 Elections"; A. Classes." (laymen)

REPORT OF THE DELEGATES TO THE U.S. CONGRESS ON EVANGELISM (Abridged, see page 112).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That the request of Robert W. Gehret to be excused from the Thursday morning meeting be granted.

A brief, but searching period was spent in prayer for peace in the world and our nation, for guidance for our leaders and for a genuine burden for evangelism.

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 9:30 p.m. with prayer by John H. Riggall.

Tenth Meeting Thursday Morning, October 16, 1969

The meeting was opened with the singing of "The Solid Rock". T. Lamarn Manney led in prayer.

Scripture II Timothy 1:8-14 was read and the hymn "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone" was sung.

Robert F. Johnson spoke from II Timothy 1:11, 12 concerning "Appointment", "Persuasion" and "Commitment".

The Ordination Credentials of Brian Butler and William W. Mull were recognized.

Resolved, That the Conference do now resolve itself into a committee of the whole to take under consideration the matters related to our unity.

Resolved, That we arise and report.

Reported at 3:15 p.m.

Moses Chow, Director of Ambassadors for Christ addressed the Conference.

The minutes of the ninth meeting were read and approved.

Resolved, That a brief summary of the Report of the Delegates to the U.S. Congress on Evangelism be included in the reports in the Yearbook, and, further,

Resolved, That the unabridged Report of the Delegates to the U.S. Congress on Evangelism be mimeographed and copies be given to pastors and conference delegates as they deem useful for their individual churches,

Resolved, That we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet to 6:30 p.m.

Adjourned at 3:32 p.m. with prayer by Paul Sensenig.

Eleventh Meeting Thursday Evening, October 16, 1969

F. B. Hertzog led in prayer.

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

Sterling Baker, Missionary to Kenya, (Supported by the Bible Fellowship Church) addressed the Conference.

Whereas, We have been advised that there are other evangelical groups who are planning for simultaneous Evangelism Thrust in 1973, therefore,

Resolved, That we too plan an Evangelism Thrust in 1973 and further,

Resolved, That we seek the Lord for His help that the Bible Fellowship Church become increasingly concerned and zealous in evangelism between now and 1973, and, further,

Resolved, That we commission the Board of Church Extension to develop specific plans and goals for our Evangelism Thrust in 1973 and for such efforts prior to that year, by which we may be increasingly effective in our evangelistic task and by which we might be prepared for the full impact of our 1973 Evangelism Thrust

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE II (See page 114).

The report was accepted.

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

Recessed at 7:08 p.m.

Reconvened at 7:32 p.m.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO REVISE PRESENT PULPIT SUPPLY (See page 114).

The report was accepted.

The problem of Pulpit Supply was discussed.

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 9:16 p.m. with prayer by James A. Beil.

Twelfth Meeting
Friday Morning, October 17, 1969

Conference sang, "Coming Again".

Scripture Philippians 2:1-11 was read and John Deily led in prayer. "So Send I You" was sung.

George E. Herb spoke from Matthew 18:1-9 concerning "Kingdom Greatness".

The minutes were read and approved as read.

The following were elected:

Sunday School Promotion Committee: Leon K. Overpeck, John F. Boyle, Robert W. Truett.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION (II) (See pg 119)

The report was accepted.

Church Extension Director

Election -

(1) The Church Extension Director shall be an ordained minister of the Bible Fellowship Church.

(2) He shall be elected by the Board of Church Extension, subject to ratification by the Annual Conference at an April Adjourned Session, for a three-year term to begin when incumbent has submitted his report at the next Annual Conference.

(3) The Director may, at the discretion of the Board of Church Extension on the basis of the demands of the office at the particular time, serve either full-time or part-time in the office.

Duties - His duties shall include the following:

(1) He shall, by virtue of his office, be a member of the Board of Church Extension.

(2) In the performance of his duties he is in all matters to be working within the policies of the Board of Church Extension. He shall be the executive and administrative officer of the Board. This shall include supervision of churches, missions and ministers under the Board's jurisdiction.

(3) He shall be responsible for devising strategy and tactics for church planting and development.

(4) He shall make studies and surveys to determine likely areas

for locations of new missions.

(5) He shall be responsible for the disbursement of funds allotted to him by the Board of Church Extension.

(6) He shall submit a written report of his activities to the Board of Church Extension at least quarterly.

(7) He shall annually submit a written report to the Annual Conference.

(8) He may personally open missions in new locations.

(9) He may serve as the pastor of a church or mission which is under the jurisdiction of the Board of Church Extension.

(10) He may provide counsel, help and training in principles and methods of church planting and development for men who are working in the Department of Church Extension.

(11) He may actively promote the program of Church Extension throughout the denomination.

The above section on the Director of Church Extension was adopted for second reading.

Whereas, Delegate H. Phares Mumbauer, Harleysville, has been excused from this meeting, therefore,

Resolved, That Alternate Delegate Clayton Deitz be seated as delegate from Harleysville.

Whereas, The Board of Church Extension believes that its present duty of recommending men to the Credentials Committee for inclusion on the Availability List is extraneous to its work of church extension and it a cumbersome anachronism in respect to pulpit supply procedures, therefore,

Resolved, That #7 (page 16, mimeographed Faith and Order) under the duties of the Board of Church Extension be eliminated from our by-laws, and further,

Resolved, That we adopt the following to be added to the duties of the Ministerial Candidate Committee (page 18, mimeographed Faith and Order).

8. To recommend to the Credentials Committee, and to approve annually all probationers whose names are to appear on the Availability List for Pulpit Supply.

The above was adopted for second reading.

The following Budget of the Board of Church Extension - 10/1/70 - 9/30/71 was adopted:

PROPOSED BUDGET
October 1, 1970 - September 30, 1971

Receipts:

Balance brought forward 10/1/70		\$	22,000.00
Offerings	\$ 47,500.00		
Interest	1,200.00		
Tent Rentals	<u>100.00</u>		<u>48,800.00</u>
Total receipts		\$	70,800.00

Expenditures:

Appropriations:

Existing Churches	\$ 3,500.00		
Existing Missions	14,000.00		
New Missions	33,000.00		
Contingency	<u>2,000.00</u>	52,500.00	

Administrative:

Director	6,500.00		
Director's Mileage	1,500.00		
Director's Parsg.	2,000.00		
Director's Oper. A/c	1,500.00		
Taxes	400.00		
Workman's Comp.	100.00		
Board Expenses	<u>500.00</u>	12,500.00	

General:

Contingency	<u>500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>	
Total Expenditures			\$ <u>65,500.00</u>

Balance in Treasury, Sept. 30, 1971 5,300.00

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 Pinebrook Junior College:

The President of Pinebrook Junior College

Delete the existing two sentences.

Read, The President of Pinebrook Junior College shall be elected by the Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College according to its 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 Pinebrook Junior College:

Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College

1. The Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College 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 Ministers	Two Laymen
II One Minister	Three Laymen
III One Minister	Two Laymen

The above resolutions relative to Election of President of Pinebrook Junior College and the composition of the Board of Pinebrook Junior College were adopted for second reading.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY CHURCH MEMBERSHIP (See page 119).

The report was accepted.

The following were elected:

Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College (Class III): David J. Watkins, Nicholas Sheetz, A. L. Wentz.

Editor of FELLOWSHIP NEWS: Robert W. Smock

Business Manager of FELLOWSHIP NEWS: R. C. Reichenbach

Committee to Publish FELLOWSHIP NEWS: David E. Thomann, Harold E. Snyder, Paul T. Rutman

Special prayer was offered in behalf of Mrs. Ron Hoyle, Missionary in France.

Resolved, That we recess until 11:15 a.m.

Recessed at 10:48 a.m.

Reconvened at 11:24 a.m.

The following was elected:

Historical Committee: E. W. Bean

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY ORDINATION FORM (See page 133).

The report was accepted.

FORM FOR ORDINATION OF MINISTERS

After all proper examinations and preparations have been made according to our rules and upon the approval of the Annual Conference at the recommendation of the Credentials Committee, the probationer shall be ready for public ordination to the Christian ministry. The Credentials Committee shall be responsible to make proper preparation for the ordination service. On the day appointed for the service of ordination, a minister shall preach an appropriate sermon. The Chairman of the Credentials Committee, or another member of the Committee, appointed by him, shall afterwards briefly cite the proceedings of the Committee in preparation for ordination and the importance of the occasion.

Then addressing himself to the candidate, he shall propose to him the following questions:

(1) Do you believe in one God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - and do you confess anew the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour and Lord, and acknowledge Him Head over all things to the Church, which is His body?

(2) Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the inspired Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and life?

(3) Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures?

(4) Will you endeavor to follow the government and discipline of the Bible Fellowship Church?

(5) Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?

(6) Have you been inwardly persuaded, as far as you know your own heart, to seek the office of the Christian ministry in response to God's call out of love for Him and a sincere desire to promote His glory in the gospel of His Son?

(7) Do you determine to be zealous and faithful in maintaining the truths of the gospel and the purity and peace of the Church whatever persecution or opposition may arise unto you on that account?

(8) Do you purpose to be faithful and diligent in the exercise of all your duties as a Christian and a minister of the gospel both private and public endeavoring by the grace of God to feed the flock

of which God shall make you overseer, to seek the salvation of the lost and to walk with exemplary piety before men?

The candidate, having answered these questions in the affirmative, shall kneel, he shall be solemnly set apart to the gospel ministry by the offering of prayer and the laying on of hands of ministers according to the apostolic example.

Prayer being ended, he shall rise from his knees; and the minister who presides shall take him by the right hand and say in effect:

(To Candidate) "We give you the right hand of fellowship to take part in this ministry with us."

(To Congregation) "I now pronounce that A.B. is ordained to the gospel ministry, according to the Word of God and the Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church; as such he is entitled to all support, encouragement, honor and obedience in the Lord. In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

Afterward all the ordained ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church present shall welcome the newly ordained brother to the ministry with the right hand of fellowship.

The above form was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS (See page 144)

The report was accepted.

Resolved, That the Statistical Committee make a study of the Pastor's Statistical Summary Form and report to the Adjourned Session.

Resolved, That we adjourn to meet at 2:00 p.m.

Adjourned at 12:36 p.m. with prayer by George Harper.

Thirteenth Meeting Friday Afternoon, October 17, 1969

The Conference sang "O For a Thousand Tongues". Robert F. Johnson led in prayer.

The following were elected:

Youth Fellowship General Committee: William W. Mull, LeRoy O. Herb, John Killian.

The following appointments were made by the chairman:

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

Committee on Program for Next Annual Conference: Donald T. Kirkwood, William A. Heffner, John Deily

Committee on Publication and Printing: Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., John Dunn, David E. Thomann

Committee to Examine Annual Conference Minutes: John H. Riggall, LeRoy C. Wilcox

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

Recessed at 3:52 p.m.

Reconvened at 4:24 p.m.

Minutes of the 12th meeting were read and approved as corrected.

REPORT OF PINEBROOK BIBLE CONFERENCE BOARD (See page 135).

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF PINEBROOK SERVICE BOARD (See page 137).

The report was accepted.

President Jansen E. Hartman spoke concerning the proposed Financial Operation of Pinebrook Junior College for 1969-1970.

Recessed at 5:35 p.m.

Reconvened at 6:15 p.m.

1. Whereas, We, the members of the 86th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church have experienced under God the favors of His divine blessing and guidance under the leadership of our Conference Superintendent, A. L. Seifert, and

Whereas, Pinebrook Junior College has seen the fulfillment of the vision of its leader, Jansen E. Hartman, who has given himself wholeheartedly to the work of God, therefore

Resolved, That we express to God and to these brethren in the Ministry our appreciation for their ministries and pledge our prayer support on their behalf.

2. Whereas, Daniel G. Ziegler has given unstintingly of his

time and devotion to the responsibilities as Interim Director of the Church Extension Department, therefore

Resolved, That we give praise to our God for his ministry, extend to him our appreciation and continue in prayer for the anointing of the Holy Spirit to abide upon him in this labor of love.

3. Whereas, The Ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church have served the Lord, ministered in the Word to the hearts of the people with Godly love and concern, therefore,

Resolved, That we thank God for calling, enabling, and empowering these men for the work of God committed to them by the Great Shepherd, the Lord Jesus Christ.

4. Whereas, Bryon C. Cassel has graciously and conscientiously carried out with diligence and care his responsibilities as Treasurer of the Bible Fellowship Church, therefore,

Resolved, That we extend to him our heartfelt thanks for this ministry, and further,

Resolved, That a gift of \$75.00 be given to him from the Board of Publication and Printing as a token of our appreciation for his service to His Lord.

5. Whereas, The 86th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church has been graciously entertained by the Pinebrook Service Board, assisted by the staff of the Pinebrook Junior College, members of the Berean Bible Fellowship Church of Stroudsburg, and Belvidere Bible Fellowship Church, therefore,

Resolved, That we hereby express our gratitude for their provision and request the Secretary to send a note of thanks to each of the above.

6. Whereas, James A. Beil has served faithfully as Secretary of Annual Conference ably assisted by Willard E. Cassel, Assistant Secretary and Robert W. Smock, Recording Secretary, therefore,

Resolved, That each of these brethren be commended for their fine work and be given a token gift of \$25.00 each from the Board of Publication and Printing.

7. Whereas, Missionaries Laird F. Stengele, J. Barclay Harley, Sterling Baker, Ted Shelling and Moses Chow attended and brought greetings to this Annual Conference, therefore,

Resolved, That we thank God for these faithful servants of Jesus Christ and their interest in the deliberations of this body and pledge them our continued prayer support.

8. Whereas, Retired Ministers F. B. Hertzog and P. T. Stengele

were able to share in sessions of this conference, therefore,

Resolved, That we thank God for the faithfulness of these elder brethren and for their obvious continued concern for the Lord's work.

9. Whereas, T.D. Gehret has been able to attend this 86th Annual Conference and, though retired, continues to serve most acceptably as General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, therefore,

Resolved, That we praise God for his service and ministry to our missionaries and the cause of missions.

10. Whereas, The Berean Church, Stroudsburg and our Zionsville Church have petitioned this 86th Annual Conference to become self-supporting churches and these petitions have been granted, therefore,

Resolved, We praise God for this step of faith and evidence of God's blessing.

11. Resolved, That the Adjourned Session of the 86th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convene at Royersford Bible Fellowship Church, 437 N. Lewis Road, Royersford, Pa., Saturday, April 11, 1970 at 9:00 a.m.

12. Resolved, That the 87th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convene at Pinebrook, October 12, 1970 at 10:00 a.m.

13. 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, and further,

Resolved, That this resolution become item T on page L of the Standing Rules.

14. Whereas, Robert W. Smock has served faithfully as Editor of FELLOWSHIP NEWS and David E. Thomann has assisted him during his illness, and,

Whereas, R. C. Reichenbach has served diligently as Business Manager of FELLOWSHIP NEWS, therefore,

Resolved, That we express our appreciation to these brethren for their labor of love and pledge our cooperation with those who bear these responsibilities during the year ahead.

15. Whereas, Our Lord has called home to their reward, the Rev. J. B. Layne and the Rev. E. E. Kublic after full lives and many

years of service, therefore,

Resolved, That we thank God for their commitment to our Lord and His work and pledge our prayer for their families.

Ted Shelling (supported by the Bible Fellowship Church) missionary serving with International Students Inc., addressed the Conference.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDITING (See page 142).

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS (See page 142).

The report was accepted.

The following were elected:

Pinebrook Service Board: Bert N. Brosius, David E. Thomann, Robert Breitegam.

Pinebrook Conference Board: Mark T. Smith, Lee Boyles (3 years)

Resolved, That we meet in Adjourned Session on Saturday, January 17, 1970, 9:00 a.m. at Grace Bible Fellowship Church, Rose Inn and Beil Avenues, Nazareth, Pa. to consider the following items (1) the second reading of the resolutions concerning the office of District Superintendent, (2) Pulpit Supply, (3) Church Government material.

Resolved, That we approve presentation to our churches of the Administration Budget proposed for 1970-1971 with the understanding that, if the proposed provision for sustaining the office of Conference Superintendent is not required, this sum will be added to the Ministers' Retirement Fund.

ADMINISTRATION BUDGET PROPOSED FOR 1970-1971 COMPARED WITH BUDGET APPROVED FOR 1969-1970

	Proposed for '70-'71	Approved for '69-'70
1. Publication and Printing	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
2. Conference Entertainment	800.00 *	650.00
3. Beneficiary Fund	1,000.00	800.00
4. Conference Superintendent:		
(a) Annual Support	7,700.00	7,350.00
(b) Travel and Utility Grant	2,700.00	2,709.85
(c) Parsonage	1,000.00	1,500.00

5. Ministers' Retirement Fund	5,500.00	5,000.00
6. Moving Fund	3,000.00	4,000.00
7. Expenses for Boards & Committees while transacting Conf. business	1,200.00	1,000.00
8. Other Expenses of Board of Dir.	290.00	290.00
9. Contingencies	500.00	500.00
10. Ministerial Convention Ex.	400.00	400.00
11. To be used at Discretion of Con. Superintendent	3,000.00	3,000.00
Total	\$ 27,590.00	\$ 27,699.85

* Includes \$100 to cover two adjourned sessions.

Resolved, That we adjourn

Adjourned at 7:28 p.m. with prayer by C.E.Kirkwood. The
Doxology was sung.

REPORTS

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM

Devotional Leader: Keith E. Plows

Pianist: Brian Butler

Speakers:

Monday,	Oct. 13, 10:00 A.M.	A. L. Seifert
Tuesday,	Oct. 14, 9:00 A.M.	Paul B. Kuder
Wednesday	Oct. 15, 9:00 A.M.	Leon K. Overpeck
Thursday	Oct. 16, 9:00 A.M.	Robert F. Johnson
Friday	Oct. 17, 9:00 A.M.	George E. Herb

The suggested worship period each morning except Monday will be 30 minutes: 10 minutes for hymns and Scripture reading, 10 minutes for prayer, and 10 minutes for the message. The devotional leader will take charge of the hymn and Scripture period, also the prayer period. Monday's devotional period and celebration of the Lord's supper should be completed in 45 minutes.

Sleeping accommodations are available at Pinebrook. However, persons attending should bring their own sheets, pillow cases, and towels. There need not be any advance reservations that have to be made - enough will be provided so that those desiring to stay can sign up for their rooms on arrival. Of course, food will be provided for the whole period.

Whereas, we have been informed that there are no men to be ordained at this Conference, and

Whereas, Pinebrook has limitations as to seating capacity,

Therefore we recommend that there be no Thursday evening convocation during Conference.

(James A. Beil, John H. Herb, Mark T. Smith, 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. Some brethren who are not presently pastoring a Bible Fellowship Church did not answer yes to question four.

2. Norman R. Weiss wrote a letter of resignation from service in the Bible Fellowship Church.

3. 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.

4. Raymond R. Dotts answered in the negative to question four. He informed the Committee that he has resigned as Business Manager of Pinebrook Junior College. He has requested "inactive status" for the present time since he will be taking non-church-related employment for a period of time and plans to take further schooling.

He requests that his credentials be retained since he feels led of the Lord to devote his future to the cause of Christian Education.

During this past year two of our ministering brethren were called home to be with the Lord. Both of these brethren, Rev. J. B. Layne and Rev. E. E. Kublic were in retirement. We are grateful for the years of dedicated service these brethren devoted to the Bible Fellowship Church. We rejoice in the assurance that they are now with the Chief Shepherd.

The Ministerial Candidate Committee has recommended that the Ordination Credentials of Brian Butler and William W. Mull be recognized by the Bible Fellowship Church.

These men have had fruitful years of ministry prior to their service in the Bible Fellowship Church and have served acceptably as probationers in the Bible Fellowship Church.

The Credentials Committee, after an examination of these men, believe that they are called of God to the Gospel Ministry and that they are in accord with the Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church. We, therefore,

Recommend that the Ordination of Brian Butler and William W. Mull be recognized at a meeting of the 86th Annual Conference.

The Credentials Committee received favorable reports from the District Superintendent concerning the Ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church.

We give thanks to God for each one of our Pastors and for what God has been pleased to do in and through them during this past year. We pray that God shall be pleased to grant fruitful ministries to each of them in the year ahead.

Whereas, after prayerful deliberation, Norman R. Weiss has requested that we accept his resignation from active ministry in the Bible Fellowship Church, therefore,

We recommend, that we regretfully accept his resignation and drop his name from our roll of ministers. We pray that he may

have divine direction for his future service to God.

We recommend, that the request of Raymond R. Dotts for "inactive status" be granted and that his name be listed as an Ordained Minister on Leave of Absence.

We recommend, that the Chairman appoint a man to prepare a suitable obituary for E. E. Kublic and J. B. Layne to appear in the 1969 Year Book.

Paul E. Baer will be, by reason of age, listed as an Ordained Minister in Retirement.

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.	Kirkwood, C. E.
Beil, James A.	Kirkwood, Donald T.
Brosius, Bert N.	Knauer, Donald B.
Butler, Brian	Koch, James G.
Campbell, M. Leslie	Kuder, Paul B.
Cassel, Carl C.	Mahurin, Ronald C.
Cassel, Willard E.	Mull, William W.
Dunn, John	Overpeck, Leon K.
Ellingson, Bruce A.	Plows, Keith E.
Fritz, Harvey J., Jr.	Reichenbach, R. C.
Hartman, Jansen E.	Riggall, John H.
Hartman, W. W.	Seifert, A. L.
Heffner, William A.	Smock, Robert W.
Heller, LeRoy S.	Thomann, David E.
Herb, Frank L., Jr.	Watkins, David J.
Herb, George, E.	Weaber, Harold C.
Herb, John H.	Ziegler, Daniel G.
Johnson, Robert F.	

B. Ordained Missionaries:

Bigley, James	Hertzog, Roy
Gordon, Robert	Shelly, Austin
Harley, J. Barclay	Stengele, Laird F.

C. Ordained Ministers Working with other Organizations:

Cassel, Alva C.	Schaeffer, Donald B.
Frank, Walter H.	Yarrington, Harold D.
Miller, C. Leslie	

D. Ordained Ministers in Retirement:

Baer, Paul E.	Rutman, E. J.
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Gehret, T.D.
 Heffner, W.F.
 Hertzog, F.B.

Stengele, P.T.
 Wolf, N.H.

E. Ordained Ministers on Leave of Absence:

Dotts, Raymond R. Hottel, W.B.
 Gardner, Reynold D., Sr.

(John H. Riggall, Chairman; Frank L. Herb, Jr., Secretary; A. L. Seifert, Willard E. Cassel, James G. Koch, 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 for second reading. All retired ministers willing to serve are eligible for election to boards and committees.

REPORT OF THE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP GENERAL COMMITTEE

This committee met eight times last year to conduct the work which is committed to them. This has unquestionably been the busiest year for the committee since its inception. 1969 was called "The Year of the Net" and many activities were scheduled and planned by this committee in the hope that they would help the local youth fellowships from the local churches to cast out the nets and to bring fish into the Kingdom of God.

The first and largest of these functions was a Rally held at the Pottstown Youth Center on the day after Thanksgiving at which there were 1600 in attendance. That fact was probably the only problem with this Rally because the capacity for the auditorium is slightly over 1000.

We held two winter retreats the first two week-ends of the 1969 year. These were held at Pinebrook, and there were 290 young people at the first retreat and 260 at the second retreat. As we look ahead to next year, we intend, should the Lord tarry, to hold similar retreats because of the good reports that we have heard about them. Dale Linebaugh and Dave Virkler were the speakers at these retreats.

During February and March, the various regions of the Youth Fellowship held Regional Basketball tournaments and the winners of these eight regions met in the Pennfield Junior High School in Hatfield, Pennsylvania to play in a denominational tournament. There were eight teams entered and after the first four games were over, Chris Goppert from Northeastern Collegiate Bible Institute spoke. Then the tournament resumed with Denville being the eventual winner. The enthusiasm for this event was very high, and there were many young people in attendance to see the tournament and hear the speaker.

Once again, it was our pleasure to work in connection with the Sunday School Promotion Committee for the Sunday School Convention Youth Section. There were many fine speakers, and an excess of 200 young people in attendance.

Another unique event was the "Net in New York" which was organized by the Staten Island Bible Fellowship Church. Young people were given their choice of various tours in New York City which culminated in a Rally held at the Christian and Missionary Alliance Gospel Tabernacle on 44th Street. This was a very well organized and highly successful event, and the reports that we have had from the young people indicate that they had a very wonderful time.

We held a Graduation Banquet in the centrally located Americus Hotel in Allentown, Pennsylvania on June 18, 1969. Ray Dillard was the speaker and this function was also quite well attended.

Perhaps our most extensive undertaking was the Youth Week which was held at Pinebrook. Each day we had two special speakers, Bill Knudsen and Stan French; also several Pastors served as teachers of elective courses. These courses were entitled "Creation and Evolution", "The Biblical Morality vs. The New Morality", "How We Got Our Bible", and "Did Christ Have To Die?". There were a total of 67 registered campers and although this number is somewhat disappointing, we feel that the spiritual results were well worth the effort. There were several who made professions of faith in Christ, some who expressed conviction of sin, and a few who dedicated their lives to professional Christian service.

Another unique event was the "Day at the Shore". There were over 200 present at this unstructured day where the young people were free to do as they wished at the shore under the guidance of their Youth Sponsors, but all met together in the evening for a Rally which was led by the Campus Crusade for Christ.

It is recommended that the Youth Fellowship of each Bible Fellowship Church submit an offering for the work of the General Youth Fellowship 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.

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 87th 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

Balance, October 1, 1968	\$	489.50
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Receipts:

Retreat Income	\$	7,329.75
Gifts		128.60
Rally Offering		508.00
Youth Groups		293.00
Graduation Banquet		320.00
Youth Week		1,437.50
Net New York		164.86
Total		<u>\$ 10,671.21</u>

Expenditures:

Mileage	245.82
Mailing	320.63
Retreat Help	75.00
Literature	35.00
Telephone	125.95
Speakers & Musicians	1,131.50
Copyright	12.00

Printing	523.50
Rentals	7,847.70
Trophies	28.10
Decorations	32.16
Films	27.50
Registration Return	<u>12.00</u>

Total \$ 10,417.56

Balance October 1, 1969 \$ 253.65

(Daniel G. Ziegler, Chairman; John Vandegriff, Secretary; Clyde W. Snyder, Treasurer; A. L. Seifert, David J. Watkins, David Hendershot, Ronald C. Mahurin, Daniel G. Ziegler, Robert F. Johnson, Herbert Gilfroy, Harold Snyder, Committee).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION AND PRINTING

FINANCIAL

Receipts:

Balance, October 1, 1968	\$ 3,440.11
Yearbooks	1,040.00
Loan Repayment	100.00
Board of Directors	<u>1,500.00</u>
	<u>2,640.00</u>

Total Receipts 6,080.11

Expenditures:

Conference Treasurer	75.00
Conference Secretary	25.00
Assistant Secretary	25.00
Recording Secretary	25.00
Fellowship News	400.00
Printing	189.00
Yearbook editing etc.,	312.46
Yearbooks	<u>1,171.00</u>
Refunds	<u>4.00</u>

Total Expenses 2,226.46

Balance September 30, 1969 3,853.65

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

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER

Board of Directors (General Fund)

Balance '68	\$	680.19
Receipts		2,389.18
Disbursements		6,273.13
Balance '69		(3,203.76)

Conference Superintendent's Home

Balance '68	\$	5,163.79
Receipts		3,672.52
Disbursements		432.18
Balance '69		8,404.13

Dormitory Fund

Balance '68		755.00
Receipts		-
Disbursements		-
Balance '69		755.00

Moving Fund

Balance '68		(463.99)
Receipts		-
Disbursements		56.19
Balance '69		(520.18)

Truck Fund

Balance '68		347.41
Receipts		-
Disbursements		53.00
Balance '69		294.41

Administration Budget

Balance '68		379.16
Receipts		27,301.38
Disbursements		27,234.82
Balance '69		445.72

Fund to Promote Church Extension

Balance '68		7,971.53
Receipts		4,300.06
Disbursements		5,368.47
Balance '69		6,903.12

Upper Macungie Township Property Fund

Balance '68		6,345.40
Receipts		726,306.00
Disbursements		732,651.40
Balance '69		-

Special Contributions Fund

Balance '68	58.62
Receipts	509.04
Disbursements	86.29
Balance '69	481.37

Revolving Loan Fund

Balance '68	-
Receipts	-
Disbursements	-
Balance '69	-

Pinebrook Fund

Balance '68	-
Receipts	514,331.12
Disbursements	395,336.63 *
Balance '69	118,994.49

Ministers' Retirement Fund

Balance '68	7,583.73
Receipts	36,140.37
Disbursements	37,112.11
Balance '69	6,611.99 (1)

Ministers' Retirement Fund

Balance '68	1,198.10
Receipts	781.37
Disbursements	-
Balance '69	1,979.47

Sale of Berean Bible School Property

Balance '68	-
Receipts	14,877.34
Disbursements	601.00
Balance '69	14,276.34

Health and Welfare Fund

Balance '68	-
Receipts	7,320.78
Disbursements	6,822.64
Balance '69	498.14

Board of Church Extension

Balance '68	13,604.69
Receipts	71,565.05
Disbursements	38,998.99
Balance '69	46,170.75

Board of Mizpah Grove

Balance '68	16,997.00
Receipts	206.00
Disbursements	17,203.00
Balance '69	-

Committee on Publication & Printing

Balance '68	3,440.11
Receipts	2,641.00
Disbursements	2,226.46
Balance '69	3,854.65

Committee on Sunday School Promotion

Balance '68	2,144.95
Receipts	1,429.79
Disbursements	1,448.43
Balance '69	2,126.31

Board of Victory Valley

Balance '68	5,202.72
Receipts	18,231.94
Disbursements	18,234.64
Balance '69	5,200.02

TOTAL CASH ON HAND -213,271.97

* Includes \$147,260.00 invested in U.S. Treasury Bills

(1) Also \$20,000 saving certificates issued by 1st Penna. Bank & Trust Co., of Philadelphia, bearing interest @5% per annum, compounded daily.

Deposited in Conference Fund Account

with 1st. National Bank of Allentown \$ 211,292.50

Deposited with Red Hill Savings &

Loan Association

1,979.47
<u>\$ 213,271.97</u>

Reconcilement with Bank Statement for Conference Fund Account as of September 30, 1969:

Balance as shown on Bank Statement	\$ 211,953.32
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Deposits in Treasurer's account not made until after 10/1/69	
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1,363.42
<u>213,316.74</u>

Checks in transit on 9/30/69	
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2,024.24
<u>211,292.50</u>

Deposited with Red Hill Savings & Loan	
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1,979.47
<u>\$ 213,271.97</u>

Board of Foreign Missions'

Balance '68	\$ 109,111.49
Receipts	148,095.73
Disbursements	128,324.70
Balance '69	128,882.52

Advance contributions for '69-'70

127,485.80
<u>\$ 1,396.72</u>

Balance as of 9/30/69

Depositories for Funds of Board of Foreign Missions:

A. The Fidelity Bank 5% Savings Certificates	76,000.00
B. Phila., Saving Fund Society	51,964.64
C. Foreign Missions Account with First National Bank of Allentown, Pa.	917.88
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	\$ 128,882.52

Reconcilement with Bank Statement for the Board of Foreign Miss.

Balance shown on Bank Statement 9/30/69	\$ 4,674.96
Checks in transit on 9/30/69	\$ 3,757.08
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	917.88

(Byron C. Cassel, Treasurer)

REPORT OF THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH MINISTERIAL CONVENTION

The Seventy-Eighth Ministerial Convention convened on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 20 and 21, 1969, at the Pinebrook Bible Conference.

The Officers of the Convention were: Bruce A. Ellingson, Chairman; LeRoy S. Heller, Vice-Chairman; and Paul G. Zimmerman, Secretary. Other members of the Ministerial Convention Planning Committee were Keith E. Plows and Mark T. Smith.

The Convention commenced on Tuesday morning, May 20, 1969, with singing and prayer led by Bruce A. Ellingson. Brian Butler presented a devotional message entitled "Watching for Souls" based on Hebrews 13:17. The pastors joined together in the Observance of the Lord's Supper.

The Rev. Harold Burkhart, Eastern Director of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship conducted sessions on the subjects: "Understanding Today's Youth" and "Winning an Audience for the Gospel." Small group dialogues were conducted on Tuesday afternoon during which the material presented in the morning sessions were discussed. The remainder of the afternoon was devoted to recreation.

The following resolutions were adopted in the early evening Business Meeting:

Whereas the Ministerial Convention Planning Committee invited Dr. Richard Gray, Director of the Counseling Center, Inc., of Willow Grove, Pa., to speak at the 1969 Convention on the topic "Pastoral Counseling Instruction", and he was unable to accept because of a schedule conflict; and

Whereas Dr. Richard Gray has tentatively accepted an invitation to speak at the 1970 Ministerial Convention on this subject; therefore be it

Resolved, that the subject of the 1970 Ministerial Convention be "Pastoral Counseling Instruction"; and further

Resolved, that Dr. Richard Gray be the principle speaker.

Resolved, that the 1970 Ministerial Convention be held at Pinebrook, the exact dates to be established by the Ministerial Convention Planning Committee.

Resolved, that vice-chairman of the 1970 Ministerial Convention be elected; and further

Resolved, that he serve as Chairman of the 1971 Ministerial Convention.

Resolved, that a secretary of the 1970 Ministerial Convention be elected.

Resolved, that two members of the Ministerial Convention Planning Committee be elected.

Resolved, that the Ministerial Convention Planning Committee be authorized to make preliminary plans for the 1971 Ministerial Convention.

The following were elected to serve as officers of the 1970 Ministerial Convention: Donald R. Knauer, Vice-Chairman (to serve as Chairman of the 1971 Ministerial Convention); Harold C. Weaver, Secretary; M. Leslie Campbell and Bert Brosius, Additional Committee Members. LeRoy S. Heller is to serve as Chairman of the 1970 Ministerial Convention by virtue of a prior election.

Rev. Harold Burkhardt spoke on the subject "Communicating the Gospel to the Now Generation" in the Tuesday evening session. A season of prayer followed.

Ronald C. Mahurin conducted the devotions in the Wednesday morning session speaking on the several gifts of the Spirit bestowed on various members of the Body of Christ and the interdependence of the members of that Body as presented in I Corinthians 12. Rev. Burkhardt conducted a session on the subject "Establishing Them in the Faith", after which small group dialogues were held.

A panel discussion was held in the Wednesday afternoon session in which the respective Chairmen of the small group dialogues participated. Rev. Burkhardt gave his concluding message on the subject, "The Coming Generation and the Call of God".

Appreciation was expressed to the ladies of the Stroudsburg, Belvidere and Maple Glen Bible Fellowship Churches for their preparation and serving the meals.

FINANCIAL

Funds Allocated from the Conference Administrative
Budget \$ 400.00

Expenditures:

Pinebrook Service Board	250.00	
Harold Burkhart -Honorarium	100.00	
Inter-Varsity Materials distributed to Pastors	18.00	
Bulletins for Convention Program	2.25	
Secretarial Expenses (Postage & Phone)	7.05	
Secretary's Honorarium	2.00	
	<u>379.30</u>	
Balance	<u>20.70</u>	\$ 400.00

Bruce A. Ellingson

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL CANDIDATES

The Ministerial Candidate Committee met ten times during the year, interviewing and administering Faith and Order examinations to Bible Fellowship pastors who are under our care, 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. We call 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 envision the need of Assistant Pastors, Christian Education Directors, or part time student help are invited to consult with the Candidate Committee regarding men who may be available to fulfill those needs.

The following men were recommended to the Credentials Committee for recognition of their Ordination Credentials: Brian H. Butler and William W. Mull.

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 Buck, Republic of South Africa	1958
Terris Byrd, Sinking Spring, Pa.	1969
Arthur H. Frable, Lehighton	1969
William B. Franklin, Maple Glen, Pa.	1969
Richard Gehman, Kenya, East Africa	1964
Robert Salzman, Cedar Crest, Allentown, Pa.	1969
Ted Shelling, Baltimore, Md.	1966
Mark T. Smith, Stroudsburg, Pa.	1967
Carl C. Spackman, Mt. Carmel, Pa.	1969
LeRoy C. Wilcox, Scranton, Pa.	1968
Paul G. Zimmerman, Philadelphia, Pa.	1966

Candidates:

David L. Manney, Ecuador
 Robert Marshall, Allentown, Pa.
 Robert Minnig, Philadelphia, Pa.

Applicants:

Timothy Baker, York, Pa.
 William Bartron, Stroudsburg, Pa.
 Douglas Bowne, Staten Island, N.Y.
 Timothy Campbell, Bethlehem, Pa.
 William Duane, Denville, N.J.
 Larry Gradwohl, Nazareth, Pa.
 Gary Hoffman, Catasauqua, Pa.
 Gregory Kletzing, Salfordville, Pa.
 Charles Kramer, Spring City, Pa.
 George Lee, Venezuela
 Rodney Long, Elysburg, Pa.
 Roger Reitz, Shamokin, Pa.
 Jonathan Reynolds, Thompkinsville, Pa.
 Harold Snyder, East Stroudsburg, Pa.
 Keith Stickler, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Richard Taylor, Graterford, Pa.
 David A. Thomann, Harleysville, Pa.
 John Vandegriff, Jr., Boonton, N.J.
 Dana Weller, Aristes, Pa.
 Clyde Whary, Elysburg, Pa.
 Larry Yerger, Detroit, Michigan

(James A. Beil, Chairman; David J. Watkins, Secretary; Carl C. Cassel, William A. Heffner, David E. Thomann, Committee).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PUBLISH FELLOWSHIP NEWS

The FELLOWSHIP NEWS continues to gain the interest of our subscribers. Our official church paper is circulated in 33 states, the District of Columbia and 15 foreign countries, with a total subscription of 1,461.

The Committee again expresses their thanks for the work done by the Editor, Business Manager, sub-editors and the many reporters for their faithfulness in supplying copy each month. In these days when great emphasis is placed upon literature, let us be grateful for our denominational paper and continue to give it our support.

FINANCIAL

Balance - Business Manager(9/1/68)	110.65	
Treasurer (9/13/68)	110.69	
Savings & Loan (9/13/68)	<u>1,460.24</u>	\$ 1,681.58

Receipts:

Subscriptions	2,862.00	
Donations: S.S. Promotion Com., Church Extension; Berean Bible School; Foreign Missions, Publication & Printing	600.00	
Interest	<u>42.50</u>	\$ 3,504.50
Total Receipts and Balances		<u>5,186.08</u>

Expenditures:

Printing 12 issues of Fellowship N.	2,638.90	
Business Manager expenses	163.66	
Honorariums	225.00	
Secretary expenses	100.00	
Typewriter expenses	47.50	
Editor's expenses	424.79	
Typewriter purchased	395.00	
Refunds	<u>6.66</u>	\$ 4,001.51
Balance - Business Manager(9/3/69)	52.33	
Treasurer (9/3/69)	489.74	
Savings & Loan (9/3/69)	<u>642.50</u>	<u>1,184.57</u>
Total Expenses & Year end Balances		\$ 5,186.08

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 Pinebrook Junior College	50.00
Sunday School Promotion Committee	50.00
Committee on Publication & Printing	800.00

Checks should be made payable to Fellowship News and sent to the Treasurer no later than February 1, 1970.

3. That the Committee to Print the Year Book, Committee to Publish Fellowship News and the Committee on Publication and Printing be combined to be called the BOARD OF PUBLICATION AND PRINTING , and further recommend

That each of these committees elect two from its membership, forming a sub-committee to prepare the necessary material for implementing this change.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1970

Income:

Subscriptions	\$ 2,800.00
Donations: \$50.00 each from S.S.Prom.Com. Pinebrook Junior College, Church Extension and Foreign Missions	200.00
Committee on Publication and Printing	800.00
	<u>\$ 3,800.00</u>

Expenses:

Printing 12 issues of F.N.	2,700.00	
Honorariums	225.00	
Secretarial expenses	100.00	
Typewriter maintenance	50.00	
Editor's expenses	450.00	
Postage	75.00	
Business manager's expenses	110.00	
Equipment	90.00	
Total expenses proposed		\$ 3,800.00

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

REPORT OF THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF CHURCH EXTENSION

"For when a few years have come I shall go the way whence I shall not return" (Job 16:22). Each of us individually and all of us as a body recognize that our life on this earth, our time to "be about (our) Father's business," is very brief. The brevity of our time and the severity of the world's spiritual need should give us, like our Master, a divine sense of urgency about doing that business. Our urgency is highlighted by the fact that we live our years under the eye of Him "whose years endure throughout all generations, . . . (whose) "years have no end" (Psalm 102:24, 27). "With the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day" (II Peter 3:8).

Under a sense of urgency, then, we of the Department of Church Extension determined that, though this is a transitional period, we ought not mark time. Though I am merely an Interim Director and though the Board has, hopefully for the last year, been serving under an old set of rules that is passing away, we sought to give our best to the first-priority work of evangelism and church growth. In the work there has been a wholesome and exciting oneness on the Board and in the Department that has assured us that God is at work among us.

A report such as this looks back at the year just passed and forward to the year just arriving. The year that has gone has held both success and failure, joy and sorrow, exhilaration and disappointment. The year to come is ready to be placed on the balance.

I What of the Year that Was?

1. A Year of Liberty. "...it shall be his to the year of liberty" (Exekiel 46:17).

As a fellowship of churches we acknowledge the pressing need to evangelize men and to plant and develop churches. We must also acknowledge with deep concern our failure in recent years to grow and to establish churches with any significant regularity. This has been a year of liberation from thought-patterns, rules, principles and practices that have hindered church planting and growth. Our progress in this is embodied in the proposed legislation from the Committee to Co-Ordinate Church Extension Proposals and from the Board of Church Extension in its Study of the Office of Director. These have passed first reading and must be adopted finally at this Conference. We believe this can be a key factor in our turning the corner into an era of new thrust and success in church planting.

Stimulation from new thinking and liberation from some faulty ideas and methods was provided by participation in two strategic gatherings, both during the week of September 8. All five of the men who labor under the Department attended (at the Board's expenses) the Church Growth Workshop at Willow Grove, Pennsylvania, with Dr. Donald McGavran and his team and Dr. Arthur Glasser. Three members of the Board represented the Bible Fellowship Church at the U.S. Congress on Evangelism at Minneapolis, Minnesota. These delegates will request that the Conference receive their report on the Congress this week.

2. A Year of the Lord's Favor. "...to proclaim, the year of the Lord's favor." (Isaiah 61:3).

Two of the churches in the Department have had very fine years of progress. The work in Belvidere, New Jersey, continues to solidify and grow. Pastor and Mrs. John Herb and their family are loved and appreciated by the congregation, many of whom have become believers in recent years through our testimony there.

Brother Herb is completing five years of labor in Belvidere. He has a fruitful ministry of teaching and training these young believers.

At Walnutport, Pennsylvania, there is a new spirit of enthusiasm and expectancy in an old work. Pastor and Mrs. David Branning, who have lived and labored in Walnutport for the past three years, have had excellent rapport with the people of church and community. The members are unanimous in their high regard for their pastor. The church has enjoyed increases in attendances and finances in the year and has plans for major renovation of the building and paving of a new parking area.

The Board of Church Extension has counseled and followed with interest the attempt by the church in Denville, New Jersey, to establish a branch church in their neighbor-community of Montville. A group has met for many months on Thursday evenings for Bible Study. They expect, Lord willing, to hold their first Lord's Day meetings within the next few weeks. We plan to do all we can to encourage and assist this effort. We solicit prayers among our constituency for its success.

3. A Year of Rest. "...it will be a year of rest for the land" (Leviticus 25:5, Berkeley).

In the Law, God provided for sabbatical years for the land. Some parts of the work of Church Extension have come to plateaus, times for evaluation and decision. For our God, the creative Sabbath rest is not a period of inactivity. Of the divine Sabbath, Jesus said, "My Father is working still, and I am working" (John 5:17). So what, for some, has been a year of rest has, no less, been a year of hard work.

The church at Finesville, New Jersey, is in a period of transition and re-assessment. Pastor and Mrs. Ronald Jansen have labored in this place and been genuinely appreciated by the flock. Mainly due to a change in the geographic distribution of its people, the congregation has dropped its plans to relocate to the east in Holland Township. The lack of population potential and spiritual response in the small village of Finesville and the fact that their ancient building has outlived just about all of its attractiveness, usefulness and structural soundness, makes some kind of relocation desirable, if not mandatory. Since this is the only Gospel testimony in a large area, of considerable present and projected population, its future is important. Toward that end we should pray.

A careful and prayerful evaluation of their prospects has been forced on the Miller Heights, Pennsylvania congregation by the Ebenezer Church, Bethlehem, to a location which is less than a mile and a half from their building. Pastor and Mrs. Donald Barnhart and their family have concluded their first full year in this field. He is guiding both Official Board and congregation in a careful study to determine the Lord's will for the future. Al-

ternatives to continuation in the present location would be to relocate or to seek merger into Ebenezer Church. The people at Miller Heights will appreciate our prayers on their behalf.

Pastor Harold Weaber has served this year as assistant pastor at the Graterford church. His ministry there has been appreciated, and the Weaber family have enjoyed being part of this vital and growing church. They are waiting expectantly for the Lord's provision for future ministry.

4. A Year of Visitation. "I will bring it, ... the year of their visitation - their inspection and infliction of punishment - says the Lord" (Jeremiah 48:44, Amplified).

This was a year of failure for two of our works. While the decisions to close were, in such case, initiated and made by the people in the congregations and reasonable at the point of decision in terms of loss of likely potential and stewardship of church extension resources, yet they must bring us to question why we, as a group, could not succeed in these areas of rather high population density and growth rate.

Because there was no man available, the Board was unable to station a pastor at Millersville last fall. While it is true that the work was in trouble anyway, it is likely that the absence of a resident pastor was a significant factor in the termination of the work. We are grateful for the assistance of a number of men in filling the pulpit at Millersville, and especially for our brother, Norman Jerome, who faithfully and lovingly served there for a number of weeks and whose responsible recommendation that the work be terminated was an important factor in the congregation's decision to close.

Pastor Norman R. Weiss and his family gave unstintingly of themselves to the ministry in Macungie. The congregation's decision to end the work, upon recommendation by the Official Board, was based on a number of factors, including a poor location and inadequate building, limited financial resources and prospects, and a stagnant growth rate.

We are grateful to be able to report that a significant number of the membership of both of these churches has been transferred to other Bible Fellowship Churches nearby.

While there is always the risk of failure when we enter a new community, and while we must be ready to close works that do not show growth and prospect of maturity, we must recognize that our rate of terminations must decrease sharply if we are to extend the church.

5. A Year of Tithing. "... the year of tithing" (Deuteronomy 26:12).

We appreciate the faithfulness of many of our people and churches in giving for Church Extension. Without this giving there could be no Church Extension Department. Some churches have increased their giving this past year. Yet it is disappointing that, according to Official Board estimates in June, our total giving for Church Extension this year will be less than last year. Certainly the percentage of our total offerings that go for church extension is very much (Might we say dismally?) lower than it was a few years ago.

We must dramatically increase our Church Extension giving in the next few years if we are to mount the kind of church planting offensive that is needed. Opening new churches is becoming increasingly costly - but open them we must! We have no choice! Our Master has commanded us. And He commands us to give. "You shall tithe all the yield of your seed, which comes forth from the field year by year (Deuteronomy 14:22)... Then the offering of (the Lord's people) will be pleasing to the Lord... as in former years" (Malachi 3:4).

6. A Year of Drought. "...the year of drought..." (Jeremiah 17:8).

In response to the gross spiritual need of our great urban areas and as an attempt to bridge the widening racial gap, in cooperation with the American Sunday School Union the Board laid plans for an inner-city Sunday School in Philadelphia. This could have begun as a Sunday afternoon effort staffed by people from our Philadelphia area churches, with little outlay of Church Extension funds. It held the possibility of growing into a church. The attempt had to be abandoned, for the present, when but one church officially expressed interest and only three persons indicated willingness to staff the school.

Biggest source of disappointment in the year was the breakdown of a plan that would have seen the opening of three new churches in New Jersey this fall. The Board was unanimous in its sense that this was a God-given plan for us at this point in our history.

We were able to agree on a set of scriptural principles for this effort, based on Acts 13:1-4:

- (1) There should be a team working together in the attempt, "...Barnabas and Saul" (v.).
- (2) They should be experienced, gifted men. Barnabas was the first pastor at Antioch and Saul was his chief assistant (Acts 11:25, 26).
- (3) They should have a specific responsibility, "...the work..." (v. 2).
- (4) Both the church and the men should recognize that the Holy

Spirit has specifically called them (vs. 2).

(5) They must be sent to the work both by the church (v. 3) and the Holy Spirit (v. 4).

(6) They should be sent to establish churches in areas where there is spiritual need (vv. 5 ff.).

We were able to adopt a budget that would have provided the funds needed for the project.

After much study and prayer we were able to decide on a general area: New Jersey, then on a more specific target area: a three-county region in east central New Jersey, and finally, after visiting the region, we focused on three specific communities: New Brunswick, Freehold and Matawan - all having definite areas with very obvious need for the Gospel and evangelical churches. The three were close enough together to permit the infant churches to grow up in conscious relationship to each other, experiencing the kind of inter-church fellowship we know in our denomination.

The Board made an intensive effort to call experienced and gifted men who might reasonably be expected to be available and who would sense God's call to accept this ministry. We were not able to form a team, and so had to postpone the plan for a year.

Our commitment to the truth of the sovereignty of God leads us to say that a postponement must be His will for us now. But our commitment to the truth of the responsibility of men leads us to ask why we could not see the materialization of this church-planting plan right now.

The Scriptures state that among the gifts which the ascended Christ gives to His church are evangelists (Ephesians 4:11). Can it be that there are no evangelists among us? Acts 11 and 13 might indicate that the qualities of the church at Antioch - worship, prayer, fasting, witness, benevolent giving - might be required in a church from which effective church planters are sent forth. Are we severely lacking in these qualities?

Jesus bade us pray to "the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" (Matthew 9:38). Can it be that we have failed to pray? There is a universal mandate from our Lord that all believers should be witnesses (Matthew 28:19, 20; Mark 16:15; Acts 1:8; etc.). Can non-growing churches, made up of non-witnessing Christians spawn new churches? Or can it be that our fellowship of churches is not able to provide the kind of loving concern and nurture that would permit healthy growth in baby churches?

These are hard questions. But we must face up to them, and others like them, in real heart searching in the year ahead. When next year comes around, will we be able to see some new churches born then, should the Lord tarry?

II What of the Year that Is to Be?

The year ahead will be one of two kinds:

1. A Year of Death.

Failure to love the Lord and do His bidding can eventuate in death. "Remember then from what you have fallen, repent and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come and remove your lampstand, unless you repent" (Revelation 3:5). Failure this year to be what the Lord wants us to be may bring a verdict like that on Hananiah, "Therefore, thus says the Lord, 'Behold, I will remove you far from the face of the earth. This very year you shall die, because you have uttered rebellion against the Lord.' The text goes on, 'In that same year, . . . the prophet Hananiah died' (Jeremiah 28:16, 17).

2. A Year of Redemption. "...my year of redemption has come" (Isaiah 63:4). We may include hope and trust that "the year of release is near" (Deuteronomy 15:9). If so, we may anticipate observing "the feast of ingathering at the year's end" (Ex. 34:22).

"Thou crownedst the year with Thy goodness" (Psalm 65:11); "Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance" (Romans 2:4).

"Many years thou didst warn them by the spirit. . . ." (Nehemiah 9:30).

"And he told them this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. And he said to the vinedresser, 'Lo, these three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down; why should it use up the ground?' And he answered him, 'Let it alone, sir, this year also, till I dig about it and put on manure. And if it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.' " " "

Perhaps we should pray along this line: O Thou God of the Ages, hear our prayer. We thank Thee for Thy Gospel, which Thou hast entrusted to us, with Thy commission to propagate and extend that powerful message. Forgive us for our failure to communicate that Good News and to plant new churches. O Lord, (We) have heard tidings of Thee and Thy work, O Lord, fill (us) with fear. In the midst of the years revive Thy works, in the midst of the years make it known! In wrath remember mercy! (Habakkuk 3:2, Berkeley). "Make us glad as many years as we have seen evil. Let Thy works be manifest to Thy servants, and Thy glorious power to their children. Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us, yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it" (Psalm 90:15-17). Amen.

Having prayed that prayer from our hearts, can we not expect to hear our Lord say, "Be glad, O sons of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord, your God; for He has given the early rain for your vindication, He has poured down for you abundant rain, and the latter rains as before... I will return to you the years which the swarming locust has eaten, ... You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, Who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is none else. And my people shall never be put to shame." (Joel 2:23, 25-27).

FINANCIAL

Receipts:

Balance, August 2, 1968	\$	714.58	
Received from Board		1,500.00	
Phillipsburg Offerings		<u>12.50</u>	
Total			\$ 2,227.08

Expenditures:

Special Appropriations	\$	800.00	
Assisting churches		195.00	
Director's Travel		109.62	
New Projects		163.30	
Phillipsburg	128.20		
N. J. Survey	35.10		
Postage		23.50	
Ch. Ext. Board Meals		28.83	
Office Supplies		15.83	
Telephone		126.13	
Pastors' Travel & Meals		157.64	
Millersville closing expenses		107.01	
Miscellaneous		<u>55.00</u>	
Total		1,781.86	
Balance, 9/23/69		<u>445.22</u>	

Total expenditures and Balance \$ 2,227.08

This report has been audited by Ralph D. Cole

- Daniel G. Ziegler

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE

The atmosphere at Pinebrook Junior College is filled with excitement and anticipation as a result of the events of the past year. Projects prayed for over a long period of time suddenly began to appear and become substantive. From the miracle of the Fogelsville "flats" to the successful season of the soccer team, God's providence has been in evidence. God is to be praised for the advances made.

A NEW NAME

Berean Bible School, a name that served us so well for the past nineteen years gave way to a new name, Pinebrook Junior College, a name chosen to identify the institution with its new campus, its new status as a junior college, and its dynamic programs.

APPROVAL BY THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

Efforts to raise the institution to the status of a college over a period of many years were rewarded when the Director of the Department of Public Instruction, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania issued a letter authorizing amendments to the charter of the Corporation on May 27, 1969. These amendments included not only a change of name but the privilege to award associate degrees to those who successfully complete the State approved programs. The decree authorizing the amendments was handed down by President Judge Kenneth Koch of the Court of Common Pleas, County of Lehigh, in Allentown on June 3, 1969. The four programs and degrees authorized are: Associate in Arts, Associate in Religious Education, Associate in Biblical Studies and Associate in Christian Education.

Many benefits of the new status have already been in evidence. Among these are: Pinebrook Junior College is listed officially as one of the approved colleges of this State: accreditation is increased by recognition by a greater number of colleges; the work taken at Pinebrook Junior College has been standardized; the degrees awarded are in accordance with contemporary educational practices.

NEW CAMPUS

The search for a new campus that would be adequate for the development of a collegiate institution came to an end when Conference decreed the purchase of Pinebrook in April 1968. The move to Pinebrook that began a year ago is complete to the extent that all our educational functions are now carried on at Pinebrook beginning with the opening of the Fall term on September 15, 1969.

The Pinebrook grounds with its beautiful 185 acres provides a nature-rich and stimulating environment for the learning process

of a Christian college. The experience of being on these grounds for one month has been most exhilarating.

The college at present is utilizing three motel units for student housing, administrative offices, and library. An additional motel unit that was never completed is being renovated to serve as a classroom. The lower level of the center section of the building designated Overbrook is being remodeled to provide library facilities.

The Administration in conjunction with the Board of Directors is involved in a study to determine the long range goals of the college in order to join in the preparation of a master plan for the utilization of Pinebrook. To date consultations have been held with the Architectural firm of Heyl, Treby, Associates of Allentown to make the best present use of Pinebrook and the most efficient use of resources in the future.

The college administration looks forward to a mutually beneficial relationship with the Conference Board. The bringing to the campus of many outstanding Christian leaders and organizations will be an added educational resource.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT

The college ended the 1968-1969 academic year with the largest number of students enrolled in its history. The opening of the fall term at Pinebrook saw some drop in the overall number of students registered but an increase in the number of boarding students. The fact that State approval and program changes became effective after the close of the school year gave little opportunity for publicity announcements to take full effect. Inquiries about the college have increased considerably. It is anticipated that a larger student body is in prospect for the coming year.

The school has played a vital role in the educating of students who, although they did not graduate, studied at Berean for two or three years before transferring to other colleges. This past year there were six graduates in the day school and three in the evening division who completed the requirements for diplomas. Nine students transferred to other colleges after completing two years work. Each one of the transferring students received substantial credit for work completed at our college.

NEW PROGRAMS

The Pinebrook Junior College maintains its emphasis upon education based upon the presuppositions of Biblical revelation. The goals of education are in keeping with the soteriological work of Jesus Christ in time and eternity. The Bible is not only the textbook in the curriculum but the Book which provides the guiding principles for every discipline. The broadening of the curriculum arose from the need to cast the light of Biblical revelation upon

wider areas of life and the created universe. The purpose of the addition of liberal arts courses is to expose the student to a Christian life and world view that is foundational to a life of service and stewardship.

The new programs of the college are designed to lay a foundation for future study and should be attractive to many more students who for one reason or another have not reached a decision concerning their future vocations. Through curriculum and counseling, efforts are made to assist students to know God's vocational calling for their lives. Pinebrook Junior College now provides an opportunity for a young person to be grounded in Biblical truth regardless of his calling.

FINANCES

It would be more pleasant to by-pass the mentioning of the financial needs of the college. On the one hand the total contributions for the past year increased while on the other hand the cost of maintaining the institution soared. The expense of moving to a new campus over 40 miles away was monumental. Currently much money is being spent on putting existing facilities at Pinebrook into the condition necessary to serve our educational needs.

Hopefully we expect to pay these expenditures and any accrued deficit from money realized from the sale of property in Allentown and Emmaus. This liquidation procedure is nearing completion.

We wish to go on record as stating that we believe that the miraculous manner by which God provided financially through the miracle of the Fogelsville "flats", enabling the purchase of Pinebrook, has in part at least been in answer to hundreds of prayer sessions held at Berean for that purpose. To God be the glory for his matchless grace! That which He has begun, He will complete.

IN APPRECIATION

While we know that any advances made by Pinebrook Junior College have been by the design and grace of God, his instruments for progress have been the Board members who have worked so diligently in Committee meetings, as well as the Administrative officers, faculty and staff members who have worked so creatively to bring Pinebrook Junior College into being. As a result of their efforts, backed by a Church with a concern, Pinebrook Junior College stands as an open door of opportunity to any young person who is seeking a useful life and fruitful service for Jesus Christ.

- Jansen E. Hartman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

The Board of Church Extension met ten times to transact the business committed to its care. It was a busy year filled with dis-appointments and some helpful achievements.

After unsuccessful attempts to continue the work in Miller sville, Pa., the congregation formalized a resolution to terminate service as of January 12, 1969. Many of the members have merged with the Lancaster congregation.

The Bethel Bible Fellowship Church of Macungie, Pa., discontinued services August 17, 1969 and terminates its existence as a Church at this Annual Conference. Pastor Norman R. Weiss served the congregation well and made many endeavours for the continuation of the work.

The Board regretfully acknowledged the resignation from the Bible Fellowship Church of Norman R. Weiss who served the Department with distinction.

Plans have been dropped for an Inner-City cooperative effort with the American Sunday School Union due to lack of sufficient response to form a staff.

The New Jersey Church-Planting Team Project envisioned for the 1969-1970 Conference year has been postponed because the Board was unsuccessful in acquiring men. As study of population growth centers in New Jersey has been made by the Interim-Director, and the field has been visited by the entire board; therefore prayer is requested that God will raise up the needed men for this project next year.

Areas of achievement include the adoption for first reading of "Study of the Office of Director", Board of Church Extension 1969; the adoption for first reading of the Coordinating Committee material which will re-organize the Department and make strategic and long-range planning possible.

The men serving Church Extension attended the Church Growth Workshop at Calvary Presbyterian Church in Willow Grove, Pa. They expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to attend.

The Board paid the expenses of its representatives Interim-Director, Rev. Daniel G. Ziegler and Mr. John Deily to the U.S. Congress on Evangelism in Minneapolis, Minnesota, September 8-14, 1969. Future benefits are expected through the help received at the Congress.

Rev. Daniel G. Ziegler, Interim-Director of the Department of Church Extension, has done a tremendous piece of work while serving in a part-time capacity. He is to be commended for his vision, concern and enthusiasm for the extension of the Bible Fellowship Church.

The following men have served this year under the supervision of the Church Extension Department:

David L. Branning	John H. Herb	Harold C. Weaver
Donald Barnhart	Ronald Jansen	Norman R. Weiss

FINANCIAL

October 1, 1968 - September 23, 1969

Receipts:

Balance brought forward 10/1/69	\$ 1,558.47
Advanced contributions	12,046.22
Total	<u>13,604.69</u>

Offerings:

Churches	\$ 29,724.75	
Sunday Schools	<u>1,026.29</u>	30,751.04
Tent Rent		110.00
Special (G. Ray Klinger estate \$ 1,000)		1,010.00
Parsonage Rent		1,200.00
Millersville Clearance		647.00
Miscellaneous:		
Prospect Mission	67.26	
Millersville	56.35	
Interest	802.69	
Macungie	1,426.30	
U.S. Congress refund	109.91	
Other	<u>29.03</u>	<u>2,491.54</u>
		\$ 36,209.58

Advanced Contributions 1969-1970	<u>35,355.47</u>
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Total Receipts	\$ 85,169.74
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Expenditures:

Appropriations:

For Conference Appointments	9,720.00
For Church Extension Appointments:	

Belvidere	2,700.00	
Finesville	2,940.00	
Macungie	3,795.00	
Miller Heights	3,199.92	
Millersville	675.00	
Walnutport	1,500.00	
Assistant Pastor	2,350.00	
Special	<u>1,495.26</u>	
Total		\$ <u>18,655.18</u>
		\$ 28,375.18

Administration:

Interim-Director	2,166.60	(honorarium)	
Interim-Director	2,100.00	(operation)	
Interim-Director	378.09	(mileage)	
Parsonage Taxes	425.79		
Board Expenses	<u>474.40</u>		
			5,544.88

General:

Assist. to Millersville	1,892.43	
Health Insurance for Pastors	912.78	
Moving	484.34	
Honorarium	100.00	
Tent Repair	150.00	
Tax-Finesville Land	70.00	
Fellowship News	50.00	
U.S. Congress on Evangelism	780.00	
Other	21.20	4,460.75

Total expenses \$ 38,380.81

Balance in Separate Appropriations Account 618.18

Grand Total Expenditures \$ 38,998.99

Summary:

Total Receipts	\$	49,814.27
Total Expenditures		38,998.99
Bal. in Treasury 9/23/69		10,815.28
Advanced Contributions '69-'70		35,355.47
Total Balance	\$	46,170.75

The Board of Church Extension recommends the following for Second Reading:

#1 - Include the following:

Articles I - III, 1968 Yearbook, p.20.

Articles IV, V, VI, VIII, IX, 1968 Yearbook, p.24b.

(Article VII was tabled on December 7, 1968)

#2 - Mimeographed Report: "Study of the Office of Director", Board of Church Extension: Election and Duties, pp.4-6.

Whereas, That the Board of Church Extension believes that its present duty of recommending men to the Credentials Committee for inclusion on the Availability List is extraneous to its work of church extension and is a combersome anachronism in respect to pulpit supply procedures, therefore,

Resolved, That #7 (page 16, mimeographed Faith and Order) under the duties of the Board of Church Extension be eliminated from our by-laws, and further,

Resolved, That we adopt the following to be added to the duties of the Ministerial Candidate Committee (page 18, mimeographed Faith and Order),

8. To recommend to the Credentials Committee, and to approve annually all probationers whose names are to appear on the Availability List for Pulpit Supply. (First Reading)

The Board of Church Extension presents the revised budget for 1969-1970.

REVISED BUDGET
October 1, 1969 - September 30, 1970

Receipts:

Balance brought forward 10/1/69		\$	10,815.00
Offerings	\$ 47,500.00		
Parsonage Rent	1,200.00		
Interest	1,200.00		
Tent Rentals	<u>100.00</u>		<u>50,000.00</u>
Total receipts		\$	60,815.00

Expenditures:

Appropriations:

Existing Churches	3,500.00		
Existing Missions	16,500.00		
Summer Internship	3,000.00		
Assistant Pastors	9,600.00		
Contingency	<u>500.00</u>	33,100.00	

Administrative:

Interim-Director	2,000.00		
Director's Mileage	1,000.00		
Director's Operating	1,000.00		
Parsonage Maint.	500.00		
Taxes	400.00		
Board Expenses	<u>400.00</u>	5,300.00	

General:

Contingency	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	
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Total expenditures 38,800.00

Balance September 30, 1970 22,015.00

The Board of Church Extension presents the Budget for 1970-1971 for adoption.

PROPOSED BUDGET
October 1, 1970 - September 30, 1971

Receipts:

Balance brought forward 10/1/70		\$	22,000.00
Offerings	\$ 47,500.00		
Interest	1,200.00		
Tent Rentals	<u>100.00</u>		<u>48,800.00</u>
Total Receipts		\$	70,800.00

Expenditures:Appropriations:

Existing Churches	\$	3,500.00	
Existing Missions		14,000.00	
New Missions		33,000.00	
Contingency		<u>2,000.00</u>	52,500.00

Administrative:

Director	\$	6,500.00	
Director's Mileage		1,500.00	
Director's Parsonage		2,000.00	
Director's Operating		1,500.00	
Taxes		400.00	
Workman's Compensation		100.00	
Board Expenses		<u>500.00</u>	12,500.00

General:

Contingency	<u>500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>
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Total Expenditures \$ 65,500.00

Balance in Treasury, September 30, 1971 \$ 5,300.00

The Board of Church Extension proposes a Church offering goal of \$50,000.00 for 1971-1972.

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

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

(Year ending Sept. 30, 1969)

"All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations...and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world" (Matt. 28:18-20).

No further argument or persuasion should be necessary to secure the wholehearted application of the disciples of Jesus Christ to the task of evangelism. It is sufficient that the Lord has spoken. To evangelize is to publish the good news that Christ died on the cross to redeem fallen man from sin. Evangelism is not a technique or a program. It is love for the souls of men and women, a consuming passion to win them to Christ. Without it, neither eloquence, nor organization, nor learning, nor orthodoxy will accomplish anything.

Passion for souls was deep within the heart of our Lord. Note His words in John 10:16, "And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd." We live in a world grown dark with fear, blind with sin, cold with indifference, and torn by strife. Of what avail are pacts and treaties and programs of reform, all of which are man's pitiful endeavor to promote peace. We must evangelize, for as Tennyson said: "God may have other words for other worlds, but for this world the word of God is Christ."

This is the age during which the Church is being formed. Acts 15:14, "God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his name." This is what the Holy Spirit is doing now. The body of Christ is being formed. The true Church indwelt by the Holy Spirit, is the object of our Lord's love and care. This Church composed of all who are redeemed and purchased by His precious blood, is the pearl of great price.

Note the word of Ephesians 5:25, "Christ loved the church, and gave himself for it." Among the mysteries revealed in the Bible, none is more important than the mystery of the Church as the body of Christ. Paul calls the Church: "His body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all" (Eph. 1:23). How wonderful is the prospect that Christ will one day present His Bride faultless before Him in glory!

The merchant man who did the seeking and the finding is Christ. The pearl of great price is the Church. It has been pointed out that a pearl is a perfect symbol of the Church because it is formed by secretion, not mechanically, but in a living way, even as Christ adds to the Church (Acts 2:41, 47).

The Gospel does not exhort the sinner to sell all that he has in order to be saved. The sinner has no sacrifice to offer, no gift to give, in order to obtain the pearl of great price. The rich young ruler asked: "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Our Lord's answer was: "go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me." But this is not the Gospel, but the law, which says, "Do and live." The Gospel of grace does not ask the sinner that he sell all that he has in order to receive eternal life. The good news is that, "God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life" (1 John 5:11, 12).

Let us take our bearings. Whither are we bound? In obedience to our Lord's command: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations," let us get on with the task of witnessing and evangelizing. The great consummation of the ages, the Lord's return for His own may not be far away. We may sing with great hope and faith the old hymn:

"The sands of time are sinking, The dawn of heaven breaks,
The summer morn I've sighed for - The fair, sweet morn awakes.
Dark, dark hath been the midnight, But dayspring is at hand,
And glory, glory dwelleth, In Immanuel's land."

Brief notes on Missionary personnel within the year:

HERBERT and BETTY DYKE with their children: Bruce, Elaine, and Joyce, left by TWA plane from Kennedy airport, New York, on Thursday, June 12, 1969. After a twelve month furlough they returned to India for their fourth term. They began their missionary service in 1949. They will be stationed at the Mission House, District Akola, Akot, Maharashtra, India. Their daughter Nancy is remaining in the homeland to continue her Bible school training.

J. BARCLAY HARLEY and DOROTHY with their children: Linda, John, Susan Cae and Robert Glen, arrived from Venezuela aboard a tanker, on June 7, 1969. During their furlough they will be living at 424 Ridge Street, Emmaus, Pa. 18049.

DR. WILLIAM CAMPBELL after repeated attempts to secure a permit enabling him to continue his work at the hospital in Tangier, finally received a firm denial from the Moroccan government. Although the refusal was a keen disappointment, he nevertheless decided to persevere and continue his missionary witness by seeking an open door by means of private practice. By locating in Safi, Morocco, he hopes that through his medical practice he will be able to reach natives by personal witness and practical Christian living.

LAIRD and MARY ANN STENGELE with their boys: Donald and David, arrived by plane from India, at the Kennedy airport, New York City, on June 30, 1969. During their furlough they will be living at 419 Elm Street, Emmaus, Pa. 18049.

Due to circumstances beyond his control, PAUL CHAPONNIERE resigned from Scripture Union. Concerning his experiences he wrote: "We have done what Paul had to do at Athens; start to 'work with his own hands', following the same craft that he had learned earlier in his life. Having prepared for teaching through courses taken at Lehigh University, I am following a somewhat similar course as did the Apostle Paul. A new door of service and opportunity has opened for teaching in a Protestant Boarding School for girls. A full load of teaching, includes: history, natural sciences and philosophy."

STERLING and DOLORES BAKER with Keith and Kimberly, arrived by plane from Kenya, East Africa, on Wednesday, July 30, 1969. A number of relatives and friends were at the Philadelphia airport to welcome them. During their furlough they will be living at 2462 Crystal Lane, York, Pa.

MOSES CHOW has been granted partial support by action of the Board of Foreign Missions, and thus becomes a part of our Missionary Family. He is Executive Director of Ambassadors for Christ, with headquarters at 5711 - 16th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20011.

Over 210 participated in the Chinese Student Conference which was held in June 1969 at Pinebrook. They came from many states, as far as Texas and Cal., also from Canada. The speakers were Rev. Cheng Kor and Rev. Thomas Wang. Afternoon workshops were a high point, considering relevant topics such as careers and Christian service, courtship and marriage, campus witness and contemporary Christian life. During this week, Moses Chow reported that a number of the students came to a genuine faith and acceptance of Christ as Saviour.

A Chinese family week was held at Pinebrook from August 18 to 24. Over a hundred attended this special week which was sponsored by Ambassadors for Christ.

TED SHELLING was married to GRETE GRABER on August 30, 1969. Grete was born in Austria and came to this country while quite young. She graduated from King's College and afterwards became involved in short-term missionary work in Austria. In the states she worked with International Students Inc. Ted and Grete will be living in Baltimore, Maryland, working together with foreign visitors under International Students Inc.

HOWARD HATTON is on loan from the Overseas Missionary Fellowship, to the American Bible Society where he will be engaged in translation work. The Hattons plan to return to the states for furlough in 1970.

DON and ELIZABETH RITTER with their family left for Sweden and their second term, from Kennedy airport in New York, on Sunday, August 3, 1969. They will be engaged in the work at the Scandinavian Bible Institute under Greater Europe Mission.

DAVE and ROSEMARIE MANNEY have moved to Guayaquil, the port city of Ecuador. Dave is the Co-ordinator for the All-Ecuador Gospel Network. New tapes are made while others are received from HCJB to be sent out to some forty radio stations throughout Ecuador. These programs are a mixture of cultural and spiritual, which are delivered free of cost by the radio stations, so long as they use all the programs. In this manner many hear the gospel on their favorite station when they would not bother to listen to HCJB or other Christian stations that they might pick up.

Through visits made regularly to each of the radio stations, Dave comes in contact with the people and has many opportunities for personal evangelism.

THE NEW GENERATION

Christopher Lynn Kauffman - born September 18, 1968

Judy Ann Moyer - born September 25, 1968

Natasha Poysti - born March 7, 1969

Janelle La Rue Hoffman - born April 9, 1969

Stephen John Manney - born May 31, 1969

Timothy Scott Lee - born July 9, 1969

Jonathan Paul Gordon - born April 26, 1969

The Board of Foreign Missions expresses gratitude and appreciation for the excellent response from the churches in their support of Foreign Missions. This is evidence that there is real missionary concern on the part of our people. Interest in the cause of foreign missions is promoted and encouraged, by the sacrificial efforts of our Pastors, through holding missionary conferences, by deputation of missionaries on furlough, the missions program of Pinebrook Junior College and news of our missionary family appearing monthly in Fellowship News.

The Board continues to rent two properties in Emmaus for the use of missionaries on furlough. 419 Elm Street is rented from the Emmaus Bible Fellowship Church, while 424 Ridge Street is being rented from the Department of Church Extension. Missionaries living in these houses do not pay rent and all utilities are paid by the Board.

The Board met in regular session four times during the year. Members serving on the Board during the year were: David E. Thomann, Chairman; T.D. Gehret, General Secretary; A. L. Seifert, Willard E. Cassel, John Dunn, Robert Breitegam, James R. Cressman, Kermit K. Gehman and Roy E. Williams.

Women's Missionary Society

The faithful and devoted service of the various Women's Missionary Societies deserve commendation and praise. Through their prayer interest, personal contacts with missionaries, work projects and in many cases the supplying of clothing and food parcels, they have done much to lighten the burdens and bring cheer to missionaries on the field.

The Annual Spring Rally was held in our Reading Bible Fellowship Church on Thursday, May 8, 1969. Approximately 350 were in attendance for this special occasion. Missionary speakers were: Don and Elizabeth Ritter, Joseph Hoffman, Dave and Georgina Solt. A skit was presented by Betty Dyke, assisted by Nancy Dyke, Carol Sue Stengele, Elaine and Joyce Dyke and Mrs. Herbert Golla.

The six regions of the Women's Missionary Society held rallies in the Spring and Fall of the year. Missionaries on furlough were the speakers. The programs were instructive and informative.

- T.D. Gehret, General Secretary

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS RECOMMENDS THAT ALL FOREIGN MISSION FUNDS BE FORWARDED QUARTERLY TO THE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

FINANCIAL

INCOME:

Balance in Treasury 9/30/68)	\$	334.16	
Received at Annual Conference		125,495.87	
Ray Klinger estate		303.74	
Interest (Fidelity Bank)		1,783.33	
Interest (Phila. Savings Fund)		34.04	
Refund		19.53	
Special contributions		100.00	
Harrisburg Church (Special)		1,271.44	
Total			129,342.11

DISBURSEMENTS:

Africa Inland Mission	16,500.00	
Ambassadors for Christ	600.00	
Christian Missionary Alliance	10,903.50	
Evangelical Alliance Mission	12,408.00	
Greater Europe Mission	10,600.00	
International Students Inc.	4,000.00	
Latin America Mission	6,540.00	
North Africa Mission	4,000.00	
Orinoco River Mission	18,520.00	
Overseas Missionary Fellowship	6,600.00	
Trans World Radio	10,500.00	
Unevangelized Fields Mission	3,000.00	
West Indies Mission	4,000.00	
World Radio Missionary Fellowship	5,616.00	
World Wide Evangelization Crusade	4,500.00	
Wycliffe Bible Translators	2,250.00	
Total		120,537.50

MISCELLANEOUS:

Fellowship News	112.00	
Year Books	38.00	
Utilities	1,071.49	
Telephone	91.39	
Rents	1,305.00	
Secretary	350.00	
Supplies	98.64	
Board Expenses	265.30	
Gary Amey, travel	100.00	
Moving expenses	20.00	
Postage	122.03	
Special help	37.00	
Printing	35.40	
Contingency	90.20	
Total		3,736.45

Jospeh Hoffman - Harrisburg church 1,271.44

Joseph Hoffman, temporary support,
passage (500.00)

GRAND TOTAL

2,000.00
127,545.39

Balance in Treasury, 9/30/69

GRAND TOTAL

\$ 1,796.72
129,342.11

Loaned to the Board of Directors \$2,000.00
(Accounts audited by Robert W. Gehret)



Phoebe and Calvin Snyder taken in 1939

Mrs. Phoebe Brenneman Snyder, born August 31, 1875, went to meet her Lord on September 12, 1969 at the age of 94 after living a long, useful life as a missionary, with her husband, to the Tibetans, Chinese and Moslems.

Phoebe, a daughter of Rev. Daniel Brenneman, a minister in the Mennonite Church, was converted at an early age and was called to the mission field of South China under the Christian Missionary Alliance in 1904.

The Snyders had one son, Albert, whom God allowed to brighten their home for only three and one half years. Later, Mrs. Snyder found comfort in taking into their home a Chinese girl, the daughter of a faithful Chinese co-worker. Before the Snyders left the field to be retired, this girl was married to a Christian man who later became a medical doctor.

After spending some time in retirement, the call of God came to them again to return to China. After working among the young people in Peiping, they soon had to leave the country because of the Sino-Japanese war.

In September of 1950 the Snyders entered the Suppes Memorial Missionary Home in Glendale, California, where Rev. Calvin Snyder died at the age of 92 in 1963. Phoebe remained at this Home until a year before her death.

The Snyders were supported by the Bible Fellowship Church.

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCHES

- BAKER, Mr. & Mrs. Sterling, 2462 Crystal Lane, York, Pa. 17402
- BIGLEY, Rev. & Mrs. James, Letein via Kericho, Kenya, East Africa
- BUCK, Mr. & Mrs. Leonard, P. O. Box 3255, Johannesburg, TVL, South Africa
- CAMPBELL, Dr. William F., Rue Ibn Zeidoune, Safi, Morocco
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- DYKE, Rev. & Mrs. Herbert, Mission House, AKOT, Dist. Akola, Maharashtra, India
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- HARLEY, Rev. & Mrs. J. Barclay, 424 Ridge Street, Emmaus, Pa. 18094
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- LEE, Mr. & Mrs. George, Las Delicias, Caripe, Monagas, Venezuela
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- MOYER, Rev. & 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, Industrivagen 12E, 661 00 Saffle, Sweden
- SHELLING, Mr. Theodore, 4410 Mainfield, Ave., Baltimore, Maryland 21214
- SHELLY, Rev. & Mrs. Austin, Instituto Biblica Las Delicias, Caripe, Monagas, Venezuela
- SOLT, Rev. & Mrs. David, Apartado 1217, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico
- STENGEL, Rev. & Mrs. Laird F., 419 Elm Street, Emmaus, Pa. 18049
- VENABLE, Mr. & Mrs. Fred, P. O. Box 26, Monrovia, Liberia
- HOFFMAN, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph, Under appointment to Colombia, Wycliffe Bible Translators
- (Home Address 561 S. 82nd Street, Harrisburg, Pa. 17111)

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10965

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07603

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Locka Post Office, Miami, Florida, 33054

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Washington, Pa. 19034

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Venable

WYCLIFFE BIBLE TRANSLATORS, Box 1960, Santa Ana,
California 92703

Mrs. Aaron Hoffman
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Hoffman (under appointment to Colombia)

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

General Committee Officers

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)

REGION #1 Ephrata, Harrisburg, Lancaster, Lebanon,
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President - Mrs. Ethel Herb, R.D. #2, Lebanon, Pa. 17042
Vice President - Mrs. Faye Heffner, 6115 Ann Street, Harris-
burg, Pa. 17111
Secretary - Mrs. Virginia Wire, R.D. #2, Box 326, Dover,
Treasurer - " " " Pa. 17315

(Meetings - the last Monday of March and September)

REGION #2 Mt. Carmel, Shamokin, Sunbury

President - Mrs. Mary A. Bickle, R.D. #1, Box 157, Sunbury,
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Secretary - Miss Jeanne Shiner, 936 Chestnut Street, Kulp-
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Treasurer - Mrs. Chester Reitz, R.D. #2, Box 120,
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(Meetings the fourth Wednesday of February and September)

REGION #3 Blandon, Fleetwood, Graterford, Harleysville,
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President - Mrs. Stephanie Mann, 1047 Doylestown Pike,
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Vice President - Mrs. Josephine Seidel, 501 Elm Ave., Muhlen-
berg Park, Reading, Pa. 19605
Secretary - Mrs. Kathryn Dietz, 420 Beck Road, Souderton,
Pa. 18964
Treasurer - Mrs. Joan Springer, Box 29, Lederach, Pa. 19450

(Meetings - the fourth Tuesday of February and September)

REGION # 4 Allentown (Bethel), Allentown (Cedar Crest),
Catasauqua, Emmaus, Lehighon, Nazareth,
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President - Mrs. Sue Weller, R.D. #1, Box 116, Macungie,
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Vice President - Mrs. Jean Brobst, 646 Fernwood St., Emmaus,
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Secretary - Miss Kathlyne Stortz, 666 Chestnut Street,
Emmaus, Pa. 18049
Treasurer - Mrs. Lena Deppe, 1710 McArthur Road, White-
hall, Pa. 18052

(Meetings - the fourth Friday of March and September)

REGION # 5

Allentown (Salem), Belvidere, N. J., Bethlehem, Coopersburg, Denville, N. J., Easton, Finesville, N. J., Miller Heights, Scranton, Stroudsburg, Staten Island, N. Y.

- President - Mrs. Nancy Herb, Box 155, Pequest Road, Belvidere, N. J. 07823
 Vice President - Mrs. Carole Campbell, 25 Florence Ave., Denville, N. J. 07834
 Secretary - Mrs. Doris Cole, 113 Floyd Street, Staten Island, N. Y. 10310
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(Meetings - the first Thursday of March and September)

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- President - Mrs. Hiram Ware, 1032 Price St., Chester, Pa. 19013
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 Secretary - Mrs. Julie P. Zimmerman, 6902 Chelwynde Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa. 19142
 Treasurer - Mrs. Naomi Naudasher, 408 Henry Ave., Palmyra, N. J. 08065

(Meetings - the first Friday of March and September)

(A. L. Seifert, T. D. Gehret, Willard E. Cassel, David E. Thomann, John Dunn, Robert Breitegam, James R. Cressman, Kermit K. Gehman, Roy E. Williams, Board).

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE

The need for teaching men and women the truth of Scripture and leading them to apply these truths to their lives so as to develop a practical Christian world view of life is set forth in Romans 15: 4-6. "For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope. Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus: That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Highlighting this past year were three significant events. Upon petitioning the Department of Public Instruction, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, permission was gained for granting of associate

degrees. Along with this permission an appropriate name change was also made from The Berean Bible School to that of Pinebrook Junior College. The third change has been the moving of the campus from South Hall Street, Allentown, to Pinebrook in the Poconos.

The facilitating of these changes was accomplished only through much planning, praying, and physical exertion by the administration, faculty and board of directors. There still remains much before us in order to obtain the best utilization of the Pinebrook campus. Together with the cooperation of the Pinebrook Conference Board and the Pinebrook Service Board long-range planning is being developed. This board sincerely solicits the prayer of all to accomplish this long-range plan so that our gracious and sovereign Lord will be magnified.

President Hartman has unremittingly given himself to this cause of Christian Higher Education. Throughout the year he has been ably assisted by the Academic Dean, Mrs. Ruth Hartman. Particularly in the area of curriculum development has this assistance been given so as to gain state recognition.

The Board accepted the resignation of Raymond R. Dotts effective August 31, 1969. Gratitude must be expressed to Mr. Dotts for faithfulness and practical advice in accomplishing the varied changes during the year.

The following full-time faculty and their salaries were approved:

Jansen E. Hartman	\$ 7,600.00
Leonard Coppes	7,600.00
Ruth A. Hartman	4,400.00
Karen R. Ettinger	4,200.00
Harold Synder	5,500.00
Norman Fox	5,500.00
Dean Stortz	3,600.00

The following part-time faculty were approved:

Mrs. Carl Cassel	Robert Ringler
Keitha Wittig	James A. Beil
Pauline Fox	

Administrative Personnel approved were:

Joyce Mann	Phyllis Stafford
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The Board met six times this year to conduct its business. Financial problems continue to press heavily upon the college. It is the desire of the Board for each of our constituents to endeavor, before the Lord, to help meet the financial needs. It is also hoped that with the current changes in curriculum, name, and campus, a broader base of support can be attained.

On June 2, 1969, in the Bethel Bible Fellowship Church, Allentown, Pa., six day students were graduated and three evening school students received certificates. It must further be noted that seven students (non-graduating) transferred to other Christian institutions of higher education.

The Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College makes the following recommendations to the 86th Annual Conference at Pinebrook:

1. That the legislation appearing on page 17 of the minutes of 85th Annual Conference be adopted for the second reading.
2. That each church be encouraged to support Pinebrook Junior College at a level of 4% of its annual offerings and that this support be remitted to the college in twelve monthly payments.

PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE
(BEREAN BIBLE SCHOOL)

Asset Schedules
June 30, 1969

Schedule 1

I Current Funds:

General:		
Cash	\$	(5,770.93)
Accounts Receivable:		
Fees-current	\$ 716.77	
Fees-previous students	1,577.11	
Bookroom	491.17	
Blue Cross	20.42	
	<hr/> 2,805.47	
Less:		
Allowance for un-		
collectible accounts	<hr/> 1,415.00	1,390.47
Inventories:		
Supplies	411.03	
Fuel Oil	348.24	
Bookroom	4,435.39	5,194.66
Prepaid Insurance		<hr/> 1,134.80
Total Current Funds - General	\$	1,949.00

PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE
Balance Sheet
June 30, 1969

ASSETS

I Current Funds

General (See Schedule 1)	\$	1,949.00	
Restricted - Cash		<u>4,232.50</u>	\$ 6,181.50

II Loan Funds

Cash		741.39	
Loans - Receivable		<u>1,449.27</u>	2,190.66

III Endowments and Other Non-Expendable Funds. Funds subject to Annuity Agreements Institutional Property

635.33

IV Plant Fund

187,980.89

V Agency Funds

1,699.71

Total Assets \$ 198,688.09

LIABILITIES

I Current Funds

Liabilities	\$	26,606.68	
(Deficit) (Exhibit C)		<u>(20,425.18)</u>	\$ 6,181.50

II Loan Funds

Principal of Funds 2,190.66

III Endowments and Other non-expendable Funds. Funds Subject to Annuity Agreements - Unrestricted Principal

635.33

IV Plant Fund

Invested in Plant

Liabilities - Mortgages Payable	\$	13,582.22	
From gifts & Current funds		<u>174,398.67</u>	\$ 187,980.89

V Agency Funds

Balance of Funds Due to Others 1,699.71

Total Liabilities \$ 198,688.09

PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE
Condensed Statement of Current Income and Expenditures for the
Year Ended June 30, 1969

INCOME

Educational and General

Student Fees	\$ 20,938.20	
Gifts & Grants:		
Unrestricted	44,278.98	
Restricted	9,496.09	
General	<u>1,056.50</u>	\$ 75,769.77
Auxiliary Enterprises		33,486.30
Other Non-Educational Income		<u>422.00</u>
Total Income		\$ 109,678.07

EXPENDITURES

Educational and General

Administration	19,468.89	
General Expense	14,764.36	
Instruction	39,208.71	
Library	1,778.99	
Operation & Maintenance of Physical Plant	<u>14,652.60</u>	89,873.55
Auxiliary Enterprises		27,423.54
Other Non-Educational Expenses		<u>2,660.67</u>
Total Expenditures		\$ 119,957.76

Excess of Expenditures over (under) Income:

Educational and General	14,403.78
Auxiliary Enterprises	(6,062.76)
Other Non-Educational Transactions	<u>2,238.67</u>

Net Excess of Expenditures over Income (Exhibit C) \$ 10,279.69

Exhibit C

PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE
Statement of Current Funds Surplus (Deficit)
For the Year ended June 30, 1969

Balance, June 30, 1968 (Deficit) \$ (3,077.03)

Additions:

Current funds transferred to plant fund:

For acquisition of assets	5,749.41
For retirement of debt	1,469.05
Total	7,218.46

Excess of expenditures over
income for the year ended
6/30/69 (Exhibit B)

10,279.69	17,498.15
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Deductions:

Loan funds transferred to current funds	150.00
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Balance, June 30, 1969 (Deficit) \$ (20,425.18)

(David J. Watkins, Chairman; James A. Beil, Secretary; A. L. Wentz, Treasurer; Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Jansen E. Hartman, Horace A. Kauffman, Donald R. Knauer, Carl E. Rishel, A. L. Seifert, Clyde W. Snyder, Harold E. Snyder, John M. Stengele, Warren L. Zimmerman, Board).

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

The Bible Fellowship Church Home has been blessed by a heritage that bears eloquent testimony to the presence of God in the lives of our forefathers. We are impressed each day with experiences that emphasize the fact that our staff, our administrator, and our Church is forever indebted to those who make our program possible by their responsible leadership.

At this time our guests number sixteen women and one man, most of whom are in fairly good health. This is especially praiseworthy when we consider that their average age is eighty-one years. During the year the following guests died: Mrs. Martha Seifert, age ninety-one, had been a guest of the Home for more than twelve years, and Mrs. Mary B. Shelly, age eighty-eight, who had been a guest for only eleven weeks.

At a meeting on February 13, 1969, the Board of Directors approved plans to renovate the former Miller residence into apart-

ments for the elderly at an approximate cost of \$20,000. The renovation has been completed on this building which adjoins the Home, and five pleasant apartments have been erected. Each apartment has a living room, kitchen, bedroom and bath and may be used by one or two persons. If desired, it can be arranged for the tenants to take meals in the dining room of the main building.

The Board is very grateful for the offerings received from our Churches, the Women's Missionary Societies, and the Ladies Bible Class of Grace Church, Reading, Pa. Also the special gifts from individuals in the amount of \$4,145.00 helped purchase furniture, appliances and other equipment. Throughout the year the Home received donations with a cash value of \$800.00.

Your continued enthusiastic support of the home will be most helpful to us in providing better services to our people. The Home relies mainly on the contributions of our Churches for the upkeep of the Home and for the support of our indigent elderly. Legacies of real estate, stocks, bonds, and cash have played such an important role in the maintenance of the Home. The Board of Directors is grateful to the many friends who have named the Home as Legatee, making continuous service and progress possible.

FINANCIAL

Cash in Bank, 9/1/68	\$	1,035.36
Administrator's Working Capital, 9/1/68		3,986.67

Receipts:

Contributions:

From the Churches	\$	3,600.24	
Members and Friends		4,145.89	
Women's Missionary Societies		30.00	
Ladies Bible Class		600.00	8,376.13

Guests:

Admission Fees	23,500.47	
Room and Board	19,345.00	
Social Security	4,881.56	
Pensions	327.81	
Public Assistance	2,351.84	50,406.68

Sale of Equipment	627.90	
Miscellaneous	866.99	
Dividends and Interest	496.12	
Payments on Investments	520.08	
Sale of Property (38 S. New Street)	36,531.00	
Transfer from Savings Acc't	4,225.67	
Apartment Rental	630.00	43,897.76
TOTAL		\$ 107,702.60

Disbursements:

Food and Supplies	\$ 2,744.05	
Salaries and Wages	31,684.06	
Public Utilities	2,041.79	
Fuel Oil	2,384.85	
Guests Monthly Allowances	543.92	
Funeral and Cemetery	1,365.50	
Medications	1,181.85	
Laundry	453.64	
Furnishings and Equipment	1,387.44	
Maintenance	2,692.69	
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	471.88	
Insurance (property)	547.00	
Refund	6,286.86	
Improvements(Apartment House)	<u>19,260.78</u>	73,046.31
Transfer to Savings Account		20,000.00
Cash in Bank, 8/31/69		3,923.14
Administrator's Working Capital 8/31/69		10,533.15
Petty Cash (Home office)		<u>200.00</u>
TOTAL		107,702.60

Assets:

Cash in Bank	\$ 3,923.14	
Administrator's Working Capital	10,533.15	
Savings Account	28,421.30	
Securities	<u>4,000.00</u>	46,877.59
Notes Receivable		2,750.49
Administrator's Apartment	10,000.00	
Lot (Pine Street)	1,500.00	
Apartment House (5 S. New St.)	35,000.00	
Home (7 S. New St.)	210,000.00	
Equipment and Furniture	<u>14,000.00</u>	270,500.00
TOTAL		\$ 320,128.08

Liabilities and New Worth:

Liabilities	None
Net Worth	<u>320,128.08</u>
TOTAL	\$ 320,128.08

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

(A.L.Seifert, President; T.D.Gehret, Vice-President; Paul I. Wentz, Treasurer; E.W.Bean, Secretary; Paul Cressman, George E. Herb, James A. Beil, Board).

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VICTORY VALLEY CAMP

The Board of Victory Valley Camp makes this fourteenth annual report with a spirit of thanksgiving to God who has led and provided for the development and maintenance of the camp through another year.

We thank God for His presence in the lives of staff and campers this summer in bringing some to a personal knowledge of Himself and in deepening the relationship to Himself of many leaders as well as campers. Harold (Hank) Snyder served as Director of the camp. Robert Minnig and Karen Ettinger served as Boys' and Girls' Program Directors; Donna Bailey directed the Counselor-In-Training program. These staff members provided spiritual and creative leadership which was foundational to an atmosphere of joyful response to God's Word. We praise God for the humility and energy with which they served our Lord and our Camp. Mrs. Harold (Jennie) Snyder lead the secretarial staff, Marilyn Prevatt served as camp nurse, Bill Belli served as Cook and Nancy Fearing as Assistant Cook. Many specialists, counselors and other workers made possible a profitable summer. The leadership personnel pioneered new program ideas in the simultaneous Boys'-Girls' camp this year with good success.

The statistics of enrollment are:

Boys-Girls	<u>Actual Campers</u>	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>
	Week 1	43	22	21
	Week 2	89	46	43
	Week 3	93	49	44
	Week 4	92	47	45
	Week 5	89	44	45
Jr. High	Week 1	46	19	27
	Week 2	<u>33</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>23</u>
Total Campers		485		
Cancellations		<u>15</u>		
Total Registrations		500		

We thank God for providing vision and finances to increase the facilities of the camp. The 2.1 acre pond was completed in the fall of 1968 and is presently stocked with bass and blue gills. About \$15,000.00 was loaned to the camp interest-free which allowed adding three new cabins, installing showers, wash basin and toilets in each cabin which did not have these facilities previously, digging a new well in the Glen area, providing more adequate shower and toilet facilities in the White House for the staff, renovations in the Plateau cabin to provide office space for program directors and new infirmary. The burden of leadership in achieving these physical improvements was borne by Paul I. Wentz, Jr. We praise

the Lord for his talents and dedication to this work. We are thankful for the regular contributions from the churches during the year and for several special gifts toward the improvement program.

The Board continues to study and plan for a long-range development of our program. Immediate needs are provision of additional space in the kitchen and dining area, improving staff accommodations, and debt reduction. The Board is studying possible plans to use the facilities more of the year. We solicit prayer for our Lord's guidance.

We thank God for evidence of worthwhile methods and standards in our camp. Because five years have elapsed since the camp received accreditation as a full member of the American Camp Association, the Association sent their professional standards visitor to the camp again this season. Mr. and Mrs. Sid Geal visited the camp on July 23 and 24. We have been given confirmation again by the A.C.A. that Victory Valley is an accredited camp. Areas of strength are the program and staff for which we thank God. It is significant also that A.C.A. is constantly upgrading their standards and this reflects on the progress made at Victory Valley. This accreditation is evidence of external approval of the methods and standards used by the camp in achieving our objectives.

Neil Montgomery no longer serves as caretaker; he moved from the camp in June. We are thankful for the work Neil invested in the camp during the last ten years. The camp is presently in need of a caretaker.

The program of the camp will accommodate boys and girls in every week of the coming year. The change to simultaneous Boys'-Girls' Camps has been helpful. The schedule for 1970 is as follows:

Boys and Girls age 8 through 12 (grades 2-6)

June 27 - July 4
 July 4 - July 11
 July 11 - July 18
 July 18 - July 25
 July 25 - August 1

Co-ed Junior High School (grades 7-9)

August 1 - 8
 August 8 - 15

We recommend that each church make a contribution to Victory Valley Camp. The anticipated budget of the camp indicates need for contribution from the church of approximately 1% of each church's total offerings. Checks should be made payable to Victory Valley Camp and sent to the secretary of the Board before March 1, 1970.

FINANCIAL Income

Camp Operation

Camp Fees	\$	17,730.75	
Camp Offerings		194.37	
Concessions		506.50	
Handcrafts		462.23	
Snak Shak Sales		822.43	
Total			\$ 19,716.28

General

Contributions from:			
Churches		5,028.57	
Groups		2,829.10	
Special		11,591.85	
Other		478.95	
For debt reduction		69.39	
Total			\$ 19,997.86

Total Income \$ 39,714.14

Expenses

Camp Operation

Fuel and Power	1,413.86	
Food Purchased	4,479.15	
Handcraft	473.63	
Kitchen Supplies	359.13	
Medical	13.95	
Postage & Office supplies	433.75	
Publicity	1,157.60	
Program	656.84	
Pool Maintenance	462.24	
Snak Shak	905.95	
Sports	736.90	
Telephone	311.63	
Truck and Tractor	15.00	
Wages	7,750.26	
Insurance for campers	516.20	
Garbage removal	4.00	
Horsemanship Program	1,600.00	
Miscellaneous	2,053.55	
Total		\$ 23,343.64

General Administration

Fuel and Power	150.50	
Compensation Insurance	181.23	
Fire Insurance	627.00	
Interest expense	612.50	
Maintenance: Buildings	510.88	
Maintenance: Equipment	2,436.86	
Maintenance: Grounds	4,062.47	
Membership	87.00	
Taxes	266.63	
Total		8,935.17
Total Expenses	\$	32,278.81
Gain for the year, trans. to Net Worth	\$	7,435.33

Balance Sheet

Assets:

Cash - General	\$	2,921.38	
Cash - Improvement Fund		2,280.62	
Swimming Pool		24,110.54	
Furniture & Fixtures		8,100.70	
Real Estate, Camp		101,545.34	
Total Assets	\$		138,958.58

Liabilities and New Worth:

Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	21,169.64	
Notes Payable:		
Board of Directors	4,500.00	
Minister's Retirement	7,500.00	
Revolving Loan Fund	6,500.00	
Total liabilities	\$	39,669.64

Net Worth September 30, 1968- 91,853.61
 Gain from 1969-1969 season 7,435.33

Net Worth	\$	99,288.94
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	\$	138,958.58

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

REPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE TO THE 86th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

ARTICLE X from our report to the 85th Annual Conference was defeated (see p. 11, Year Book, 1968)

The following is a revised reading of this Article. We RECOMMEND that this article be known as ARTICLE IX and present ARTICLE IX be known as ARTICLE X. This is done for a more logical sequence of articles.

ARTICLE IX

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

The term shall be decided by the particular church by congregational vote, but shall not be for less than three years. The Board shall be divided into not less than three classes as determined by the congregational vote in each of the particular churches. When a church chooses to elect elders for an unlimited term, the requirement for classes does not apply.

In the event of a vacancy by death, resignation or removal, one shall be elected to complete the unexpired term.

When persons have been 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 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 Articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures?
3. Will you endeavor to follow 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 the members of the church with 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.

All 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.

WHEREAS, Spring City has petitioned for permission to conduct one congregational meeting per year, and

WHEREAS, this petition was referred to the Government Committee (see p. 14 Year Book, 1968) and

WHEREAS, upon consideration by the Government Committee, the conducting of one congregational meeting per year has merit, therefore,

We recommend that ARTICLE VIII be revised as follows:

"Because they are 'undershepherds' and not 'lords' the elders shall rule the congregation according to the direction of Christ, the Chief Shepherd, as expressed in the Scriptures and the needs of the membership. THEY SHALL CONDUCT AT LEAST ONE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING PER YEAR to report the status of the work of the congregation; and when they deem advisable, present recommendations to the congregation. The congregation shall have power to accept, to suggest changes or to reject such recommendations." (Revision in caps.) (Quoted from ARTICLE VIII, p. 22B Year Book, 1967)

Should Revised ARTICLE VIII be adopted by this 86th Annual Conference (first reading) the Government Committee will provide the Agenda of the Annual Congregational Meeting in a subsequent report.

We consider this to be the answer to the Spring City petition.

WE RECOMMEND the approval of the second reading of the following resolution which was approved at first reading in April, 1969

"RESOLVED: that the office of District Superintendent be discontinued and that provision be made for the transitional period; the office to end with the term that exists after new rules have been approved (passed by 2/3 majority)."

This Government Study Committee has faced the problem of developing a proper sequence to allowing the conference to declare its will on this issue. Two alternative present themselves:

FIRST APPROACH: To vote next on the second reading on the resolution regarding the office of District Superintendent; then to vote on the proposed transitional legislation and the second reading of the proposed form of government.

This would allow us to face the question of the office of the District Superintendent first and would allow an indefinite period to discuss transitional legislation.

SECOND APPROACH: To vote next in the 86th Annual Conference on the proposed transitional legislation and the second reading of the proposed form of government then to vote on the second reading of the resolution on the office of District Superintendent no later than April 1970 (a regular adjourned session). If these rules are approved, this would mean that the office of District Superintendent would cease with the report of the incumbent in October, 1970.

This approach may seem to avoid facing squarely the issue of whether or not to have the office of District Superintendent, but the Committee has set up the procedures according to this method because (1) it is more orderly, and (2) it avoids the possibility of a lengthy period during which the office is being phased out.

TRANSITIONAL LEGISLATION

I. Changes on the Local Level

A. The following is a change in the Order of the FAITH AND ORDER.

Page 1, Article II, section 1:

1. Chairman - The Pastor shall be the Chairman

B. Deletions

Page 14, Article - District Superintendent - Section - Duties:

1. He shall review the duties of the officers accountable to the Local Conference and emphasize the duties of members toward their pastor once each year on each charge.
3. He shall meet with the Official Board at least once each year to review the progress of the work.
5. He shall help the churches and pastors with ideas and methods for promoting the spreading of the gospel.

It is recommended that these duties which are performed by the District Superintendent on the local level should be deleted because the continuation on them in a formal manner is no longer necessary.

C. Additions

Page 22, 1968 Year Book - second last paragraph - Add to duties of Pastoral Relations Committee:

This Committee, in the time of crisis, may arrange for counsel of another Bible Fellowship pastor whose judgment is respected by the congregation and pastor.

In the event of the death of an active pastor, this committee shall make itself available to assist the survivors.

II. Changes on Denominational Level

A. The FAITH AND ORDER shall be changed to add:

One ordained minister to the membership to each of the following:

- Board of Directors
- Board of Foreign Missions
- Board of Church Extension
- Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College
- Board of Victory Valley
- Sunday School Promotion Committee
- Credentials Committee
- Youth Fellowship General Committee

B. In September 1970, the present responsibilities of the District Superintendent in Pulpit Supply shall be the responsibility of the Credentials Committee. (This rule will apply only to 1970 and will need to be enacted annually to keep it in force until a new system of pulpit supply makes other provision).

C. The money presently known as "The Appropriation to be used at the Discretion of the District Superintendent" shall be held and distributed by the Board of Directors in the following ways:

1. Any pastor can apply to the Board of Directors for loans from this fund; arrangements for the terms of the loan and repayment shall be mutually agreed upon between the pastor and the Board.

2. The Credentials Committee and the Pastoral Relations Committee (should this body create such a group) shall make recommendations to the Board of Directors for financial aid to be given to needy pastors from this fund.

D. In the case of death or resignation of a pastor the particular church shall bear primary responsibility for filling the pulpit. The Chairman of the Credentials Committee shall be informed immediately (this shall be changed to the chairman of the Pastoral

Relations Committee if such a group is created) and this Committee shall provide help to the church in supplying the pulpit.

MATERIAL FOR SECOND READING - FORM OF GOVERNMENT
(1967 Year Book -

Preamble and ARTICLES I thru III - pp. 10, 11

ARTICLES IV thru IX - pp. 22A-D (Adjourned Session I minutes)

(1968 Year Book -

ARTICLES XI thru XVIII - pp. 11-13

(Jansen E. Hartman, Chairman; Willard E. Cassel, Secretary; Carl C. Cassel, James A. Beil, Frank L. Herb, Jr., John H. Herb, John H. Riggall, Committee)

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 of signatures and minor errors which were corrected by the pastors involved.

The following petitions were found:

"We, the Congregation of Berean Bible Fellowship Church, Stroudsburg, Pa., petition the 86th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convening on Monday, October 13, 1969, at Pinebrook, Stroudsburg, Pa., that this Church be recognized as a station, self-supporting, with all the rights and privileges thereof. This congregation also gratefully acknowledges the financial assistance received in the years past. Thanks to God for His grace and to His faithful people, for all that has been done up to this time."

Petition from Bethlehem, Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church:

"Resolved, that we recommend that the figure of \$500.00 in number 4 under "Trustees" in our Faith and Order be changed to \$1,000.00."

Petition from Zionsville Bible Fellowship Church:

"Resolved, We, the Congregation of the Bible Fellowship Church, Zionsville, Pa., petition the 86th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convening on Monday, October 13,

1969, at Pinebrook, Stroudsburg, Pa., that this church be recognized as a station, self-supporting, with all the rights and privileges thereof."

(E.W.Bean, Chairman; W.W.Hartman, Secretary; Oscar W. Barry, John F. Boyle, Robert Breitegam, Byran H. Butler, John L. Deily, Arthur W. Deppe, Arthur H. Frable, William M. Franklin, Norman W. Granda, George Harper, Bright N. Heist, Frank L. Herb, Jr., John H. Herb, E. Gerald Hershey, Leonard F. Kessler, Paul B. Kuder, Arthur Mack, Franklin Meade, John I. Mengel, William W. Mull, H. Phares Mumbauer, Leon K. Overpeck, Allan C. Palmer, Walter A. Schlagel, Allan F. Smith, Mark T. Smith, Clyde W. Snyder, Carl K. Spackman, Edward A. Stortz, Robert W. Truett, Harold C. Weaver, Jacob Weber, LeRoy C. Wilcox, Paul G. Zimmerman, Committee).

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

The Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church held 12 meetings during the year beginning October 1, 1968 and ending September 30, 1969, to conduct the business of the Corporation.

The following officers were elected for the year: President and Chairman, Arlington L. Seifert; Vice President and Treasurer, Byron C. Cassel; Financial Secretary, James R. Cressman; Secretary, Jansen E. Hartman.

Four Bible Fellowship Churches, Bethany Bible Fellowship Church of Lebanon, Emmanuel Bible Fellowship Church of Sunbury, Calvary Bible Fellowship Church of Walnutport and Faith Bible Fellowship Church of Lancaster sought advice on matters relating to expanding their facilities.

The Board of Church Extension gave notice of the discontinuation of the ministry of the Bible Fellowship Church in Millersville, Pa. The Board has authorized the signing of an agreement of sale for the future relocation of the Finesville Church, has been refinanced from the Fund to Promote Church Extension.

At the request of the Board of Church Extension the mortgage on the lot in Holland Township, N. J., and purchased originally for the future relocation of the Finesville Church, has been refinanced from the Fund to Promote Church Extension.

The properties owned and occupied by the Bethel Bible Fellowship Church of Macungie, now disbanded, have been turned over to the Corporation for liquidation in accordance with the by-laws.

The Pensions Committee exercised supervision over the Ministers' Retirement Fund and made recommendations to the Board at various times on investment policy. Three annuitants

were added during the year, Mrs. Esther J. Hartman, widow of Ernest B. Hartman, Mrs. Mildred L. Henry, widow of J. B. Henry, and Paul E. Baer former pastor. Two pastors, J. B. Layne and E. E. Kublic passed away during the year. Mrs. Kublic, widow of the late E. E. Kublic remains on the list of annuitants.

The Board at the direction of the Annual Conference entered into an agreement with the Prudential Life Insurance Company to provide Health Insurance for the Ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church.

The Pinebrook Junior College requested the sale of the properties used by the Berean Bible School located in Allentown and Emmaus. The home formerly occupied by the President, located at 742 W. Cumberland Street, Allentown, Pa., has been sold. At the end of the year the other two properties were not sold.

The Board has given assistance to the Pinebrook Conference Board, the Pinebrook Service Board and the Pinebrook Junior College from the funds of the Forward with Christ campaign to aid in the opening of operations at the new grounds. The Board also joined with these Boards in long-range planning for the future utilization of the Pinebrook properties. The engineering firm of Fogarasi and Moyer was engaged to make a topographical study of the land. After screening three candidates, the architectural firm of Heyl, Treby, Associates was selected to develop the master plan for the efficient use of Pinebrook.

The Board wishes to go on record as expressing praise to our faithful Heavenly Father for the miraculous way funds were provided for the purchase of Pinebrook. The property located in Upper Macungie Township purchased in 1966 for a total cost of \$214,812.65, was sold for \$676,985.00. The transaction was completed on July 17, 1969. All indebtedness on that land has been paid. From the proceeds of this sale and with money contributed through the Forward with Christ campaign, debts represented by the second mortgage on Pinebrook and \$51,000 borrowed from the First National Bank and \$10,700 of the first mortgage were paid. There is an encumbrance remaining on Pinebrook of \$149,000 in the form of a first mortgage given to the First National Bank of Allentown. While there is money on hand now that could be used for the liquidation of this debt, it was decided that this mortgage should be continued until the long-range master plan for the utilization of Pinebrook is developed. In the meantime the surplus has been invested in government securities or is being used to finance the improvements being made to existing buildings at Pinebrook.

The Board approved the renovation of the motel unit designated Overbrook at Pinebrook to provide library and dormitory facilities for Pinebrook Junior College, and the renovation of Echobrook to become a classroom building. Financial assistance was given to the college to provide housing for the Dean of Men, to move the equipment of the college and to make the alternations necessary to

make the college operational at the new location. This money is to be repaid from the proceeds of the sale of the properties in Allentown, formerly occupied by Berean Bible School.

The Lord is good!

The Board respectfully submits the Administrative budget for the year beginning October 1, 1970 for the consideration of the churches of the Annual Conference. The Board also presents the financial accounts submitted by the Financial Secretary and the Treasurer.

The following petitions have been received from Member Churches and are hereby circulated to the members of the Eighty-sixth Annual Conference to be held at Pinebrook, Stroud Township, Pa., October 13, 1969.

Petition from Zionsville Bible Fellowship Church:

"Resolved, We, the Congregation of the Bible Fellowship Church, Zionsville, Pennsylvania, petition the 86th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convening on Monday, October 13, 1969, at Pinebrook, East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, that this church be recognized as a station, self-supporting, with all the rights and privileges thereof."

This resolution was unanimously adopted by the congregation on Sunday, September 14, 1969.

Petition from Bethlehem, Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church:

"Resolved, that we recommend that the figure of \$500.00 in Number 4 under "Trustees" in our Faith and Order be changed to \$1,000.00."

Petition from Stroudsburg, Berean Bible Fellowship Church:

"We, the congregation of Berean Bible Fellowship Church, Stroudsburg, Pa., petition the 86th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convening on Monday October 13, 1969, at Pinebrook, Stroudsburg, Pa., that this church be recognized as a station, self-supporting, with all the rights and privileges thereof. This congregation also gratefully acknowledges the financial assistance received in years past. Thanks be to God for His grace, and to His faithful people, for all that has been done up to this time."

Statement A

Bible Fellowship Church
Balance Sheet (Note 1)
September 30, 1969-1968

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
<u>Assets:</u>		
Statement B -General Funds	\$ 258,353.59	\$ 260,367.97
Statement D -Fund-Promote		
Church Extension	121,196.59	98,875.64
Statement F -Upper Macungie Prop.	-	242,784.89
Statement H -Special Contributions	6,600.51	6,436.39
Statement J -Revolving Loan (Note 2)	13,500.00	13,500.00
Statement K -Pinebrook	832,260.87	464,820.79
Statement M -Ministers' Retire.	<u>117,917.42</u>	<u>115,063.23</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u>1,349,828.98</u>	<u>\$1,201,848.91</u>

Liabilities and Net Worth

<u>Liabilities:</u>		
Statement B -General Funds	\$ 40,299.48	\$ 48,430.43
Statement D -Fund-Promote		
Church Extension	51,504.80	28,888.25
Statement D -Funds held in Trust	14,314.55	14,314.55
Statement F -Upper Macungie Prop.	-	145,000.00
Statement H -Special Contributions	-	86.29
Statement J -Revolving Loan Fund	-	-
Statement K -Pinebrook	149,300.00	312,485.88
Statement M -Ministers' Retire.	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>255,418.83</u>	<u>549,205.40</u>

Net Worth:

Statement B -General Funds	218,054.11	211,937.54
Statement D -Fund to Promote		
Church Extension	55,377.24	55,672.84
Statement F -Upper Macungie Prop.	-	97,784.89
Statement H -Special Contributions	6,600.51	6,350.10
Statement J -Revolving Loan Fund	13,500.00	13,500.00
Statement K -Pinebrook	682,960.87	152,334.91
Statement M -Ministers' Retire.	<u>117,917.42</u>	<u>115,063.23</u>

Total Liabilities and Net Worth \$ 1,349,828.98 \$1,201.848.91

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 to a small degree because loans are made between the various funds.

Statement B.

General Funds
Balance Sheet
September 30, 1969-1968

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Cash - General Fund	\$ (3,203.76)	\$ 680.19
Cash - Dist.Supt.Parsonage	8,404.13	5,163.79
Cash - Dormitory Fund	755.00	755.00
Cash - Moving Fund	(520.18)	(463.99)
Cash - Truck Fund	294.41	347.41
Cash - Administration Budget	445.72	379.16
Cash - Health & Welfare Insurance	498.14	-
Cash - Proceeds from Sale of Berean	<u>14,276.34</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Cash	\$ 20,949.80	\$ 6,861.56

Accounts Receivable:

Victory Valley	83.33	-
Berean Bible School	1,647.45	1,647.45
The Home Board	-	17.78
Pinebrook	-	1,050.13
Special Contributions Fund	-	86.29
Administration Budget:		
Allentown(Bethel)	150.00	
Allentown(Cedar Crest)	50.00	
Bethlehem	180.00	
Denville	50.00	
Easton	150.00	
Graterford	162.50	
Harrisburg	100.00	
Hatfield	106.67	
Leighton	27.02	
Nazareth	36.00	
Paradise	30.00	
Reading	320.00	
Shamokin	40.00	
Sinking Spring	15.65	

Spring City	50.00		
Staten Island	25.00		
Stroudsburg	69.00		
Sunbury	25.00		
Zionsville	<u>125.00</u>	1,711.84	1,479.94
Health & Welfare Insurance:			
Allentown(Bethel)	69.19		
Coopersburg	21.73		
Bethlehem	21.73		
Harleysville	21.73		
Phila. (Calvary)	21.73		
Quakertown	21.73		
Reading	21.73		
Royersford	21.73		
Scranton	21.73		
Wallingford	21.73		
York	21.73		
R. Dotts	<u>21.73</u>	304.17	-
Notes Receivable - Victory Valley		5,000.00	5,000.00

General Funds
Balance Sheet
September 30, 1969-1968

<u>Assets: (continued)</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
Equipment & Furnishings:		
District Supt. Parsonage	\$ 889.93	\$ 457.75
Real Estate:		
1020 S. Hall St., Allentown, Pa.	100,000.00	100,000.00
South Hall & Cumberland Sts.	-	16,000.00
548 Fernwood St., Emmaus, Pa.	22,470.20	22,470.20
1218 E. Rosemont Drive, Beth.	21,807.86	21,807.86
424 Ridge St. Emmaus, Pa.	16,000.00	16,000.00
Victory Valley	<u>67,489.01</u>	<u>67,489.01</u>
Total Assets	\$ 258,353.59	\$ 260,367.97

Liabilities and Net Worth

Accounts Payable:		
The Home Board	1.45	-
Prudential Life Ins. Co.	85.22	-
Prepayments of Administration Budget		
Allentown (Salem)	29.16	29.16
Blandon	250.00	250.00
Catasauqua	12.00	

Fleetwood	2.32	
Harrisburg	-	100.00
Phila.(Calvary)	50.00	
Terre Hill	4.74	
York	<u>97.50</u>	445.72

Prepayments -Health & Welfare Fund

Blandon	130.38	
Denville	21.73	
Ephrata	217.30	
Emmaus	239.03	
Fleetwood	21.73	
Graterford	21.73	
Lancaster	21.73	
Mount Carmel	21.73	
Paradise	<u>21.73</u>	717.09

Notes Payable:

Board of Foreign Missions	2,000.00	2,000.00
Berean Bible School Contract	5,000.00	5,000.00
To finance 1218 E. Rosemont Drive:		
Revolving Loan Fund	7,000.00	7,000.00
To finance Victory Valley:		
Ministers' Retire. Fund	7,500.00	7,500.00
Revolving Loan Fund	6,500.00	6,500.00
A friend	-	5,000.00

Mortgages Payable:

1st. National Bank of Allentown to finance parsonage at Hall & Cum- berland Street.	-	4,001.27
Lehigh Valley Trust Co. to finance 548 Fernwood St., Emmaus	<u>11,050.00</u>	<u>11,050.00</u>
Total Liabilities	\$ 40,299.48	\$ 48,430.43

Net Worth - Sept. 30, 1968/ 211,937.54

Trans. from Statement C	<u>6,116.57</u>	
	218,054.11	211,937.54

Total Liabilities and Net Worth \$ 258,353.59 \$ 260,367.97

Statement C.

General Funds
Income Statement
Years Ended September 30, 1969-1968

<u>Income</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
Administration Budget:		
Publication & Printing	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Annual Conference Enter.	640.35	640.35
Beneficiary Fund	800.00	800.00
Dist. Supt:		
Annual Support	7,000.00	7,000.00
Travel & Utility Grant	3,400.00	3,400.00
Parsonage	4,794.35	5,215.35
Ministers' Retire. Fund	5,000.00	4,000.00
Moving Fund	3,200.00	3,200.00
Expenses of Boards and Committees while transacting Con. Business	800.00	800.00
Other expenses of Board of Dir.	290.75	280.00
Contingencies	131.02	422.93
Ministerial Convention	400.00	400.00
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Total Administration Budget	\$ 27,956.47	\$ 27,668.93
Reduction in Indebtedness		
Berean Bible School	660.53	585.99
Victory Valley	-	2,000.00
Interest Income	-	464.20
Truck Fund Income	-	387.10
Net Cost of Selling Berean Property	1,617.08	-
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Total Income	\$ 30,234.08	\$ 31,106.22

Expenses

Administration Budget:		
Publication & Printing	1,500.00	1,500.00
Annual Conference Enter.	640.35	640.65
Beneficiary Fund	800.00	800.00
District Superintendent:		
Annual Support	7,000.00	7,000.00
Travel & Utility Grant	3,400.00	3,400.00
Parsonage	696.65	382.44
Ministers' Retire. Fund	5,000.00	4,000.00
Moving Fund	3,256.19	3,770.94
Expenses of Boards & Com. while transacting Conf. Business:		
Agenda Com.	17.58	
Board of Directors	89.82	
Conf. Program	4.30	
Credentials Com.	144.70	

Examine Conf. Re.	10.00		
Govern. Com.	133.74		
Ministerial Cand.	342.02		
Nominating Com.	131.05		
Pulpit Supply Com.	125.59		
Statistical Com.	<u>49.31</u>	1,048.11	960.15
Other Expenses of Board of Directors:			
Stationery	-		96.95
Workmen's Com. Insurance	(41.17)		124.00
Postage	27.97		14.76
Safe Deposit Box Rental	5.00		5.00
Contingencies	352.11		50.00
Ministerial Convention	<u>379.30</u>		<u>421.90</u>
Total Budget Expenses	24,117.51		23,166.79
Truck Fund Expenses	53.00		133.89
Total Expenses	<u>24,064.51</u>		<u>23,300.68</u>
Gain Transferred to Statement B. \$ 6,116.57 \$ 7,805.54			

Statement D.

Fund to Promote Church Extension
Balance Sheet
September 30, 1969-1968

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Cash	\$ 6,772.12	\$ 7,840.53
Accounts Receivable:		
Sinking Spring	3,000.00	3,000.00
Notes Receivable:		
Belvidere Church	11,000.00	11,000.00
Board of Church Extension for use at Finesville, N. J.	7,685.00	3,590.00
Denville Church	9,988.94	10,380.75
Finesville Church	3,636.53	3,786.87
Macungie Church	1,000.00	1,000.00
Miller Heights	1,748.27	1,822.19
Mortgages Receivable:		
Mt. Nebo Church, Binghamton	7,708.97	8,387.97
First Newborn Tab., Newark	2,435.22	4,182.64
Real Estate:		
Sinking Spring Church	43,884.69	43,884.69
Millersville Church	<u>22,336.85</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Assets	\$ 121,196.59	\$ 98,875.64

Liabilities and Net Worth

Accounts Payable -Board of Ch. Ex.	937.30	-
Mortgages Payable:		
Peoples Bank & Trust Co.		
Reading, Pa. on Sinking		
Spring Church	25,888.25	25,888.25
Conestoga Nat'l Bank, Lan-		
caster, Pa. On Millersville		
Church	21,679.25	-
Notes Payable - Sinking		
Spring Loan	<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>3,000.00</u>
Total Liabilities	51,504.80	28,888.25
Trust Funds for Sinking Spring		
Church	14,314.55	14,314.55
Reserve to Promote Church		
Extension as of 9/30/68 /55,672.84		
Loss Transferred from		
Statement E	(295.60)	
Reserve as of 9/30/69	<u>55,377.24</u>	<u>55,672.84</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	\$ 121,196.59	\$ 98,875.64

Statement E

Fund to Promote Church Extension
Income Statement
Years Ended September 30, 1969-1968

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Interest Income	1,257.57	1,180.29
<u>Expenses</u>		
Attorney Fee & Expenses	-	76.94
Property Insurance	-	18.26
Expenses to Maintain Millers-		
ville property	711.09	-
Interest Paid on Millersville, Indet.	<u>842.08</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenses	\$ <u>1,553.17</u>	\$ <u>95.20</u>
Total Gain (Loss) Transferred to		
Statement D.	\$ (295.60)	\$ 1,085.09

Statement F.

Upper Macungie Township Property Fund
Balance Sheet
September 30, 1969-1968

<u>Assets</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
Cash		
Accounts Receivable	\$514,679.07	\$ 6,345.40
Pinebrook Ser.Bd.		
Pinebrook Jr.Col.	15,000.00	435.75
Real Estate-Upper Mac.	20,000.00	--
Township Property		
	--	236,003.74
	<u>549,679.07</u>	<u>242,784.89</u>
Liabilities & Net Worth		
Notes Payable -1st.Nat'l		
Bank of Allentown		135,000.00
Deposit on Agreement to sell Upper		
Macungie Township Pro.to Lehigh's		
Economic Advancement Project,Inc.		<u>10,000.00</u>
Total Liabilities		145,000.00
Net Worth - Sept.30,1968	97,784.89	
Gain Transferred from		
Statement G	<u>451,546.23</u>	97,784.89
Net Worth transferred		
to Pinebrook	549,331.12	
Total Liabilities & Net Worth		242,784.89

Statement G.

Upper Macungie Township Property Fund
Income Statement
Years Ended September 30, 1969-1968

<u>Income</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
Contributions Received	\$ 15,211.75	\$ 22,985.51
Interest Income	3,072.41	7.18
Real Estate Rental	1,675.00	3,400.00
Profit on Sale of Property	<u>440,981.26</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Income	\$ 460,940.42	\$ 26,392.69

Expenses

Property Insurance	(32.00)	94.00
Interest Expense	6,039.25	7,631.25
Maintenance & Repairs	27.00	127.72
Expenses of Planning Committee	-	366.87
Printing & Postage	387.95	1,385.42
Property Taxes	(143.01)	2,835.08
Attorney Fees	3,000.00	-
Surveying	115.00	-
Total Expenses	\$ 9,394.19	\$ 12,440.34
Gain Transferred to Statement F	\$ 451,546.23	\$ 13,952.35

Statement H.

Special Contributions Fund
Balance Sheet
September 30, 1969-1968

<u>Assets</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
Cash	481.37	58.62
Notes Receivable:		
Miller Heights Church	<u>6,119.14</u>	<u>6,377.77</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u>6,600.51</u>	\$ <u>6,436.39</u>
Liabilities and Net Worth		
Accounts Payable - General Fund	-	86.29
Total Liabilities	-	\$ 86.29
Net Worth-Sept. 30, 1968	\$ 6,350.10	
Gain Transferred from		
Statement I	<u>250.41</u>	
Net Worth-Sept. 30	<u>6,600.51</u>	<u>6,350.10</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	\$ 6,600.51	\$ 6,436.39

Statement I.

Special Contribution Fund
Income Statement
Years Ended September 30, 1969-1968

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Contributions Received	-	\$ 800.00
Interest Income	\$ 250.41	-

Expenses

Contributions distributed to:		
Berean Bible School	-	\$ 1,450.00
Victory Valley	-	-
Net Increased (Decrease) Transferred to Statement H.	250.41	(650.00)

Statement J.

Revolving Loan Fund
Balance Sheet
September 30, 1969-1968

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Cash	-	-
Notes Receivable:		
Financing 1218 E. Rosemond Dr./	7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
Financing Victory Valley	<u>6,500.00</u>	<u>6,500.00</u>
Total Assets	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 13,500.00
Liabilities and Net Worth	-	-
Liabilities		
Net Worth - Sept. 30, 1968	13,500.00	13,500.00
Gain/Loss	-	
Net Worth - Sept. 30, 1969	<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, 1969-1968

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Cash	266,254.49	-
Accounts Receivable:		
Pinebrook Jr. College	20,000.00	-
Pinebrook Service Board	32,875.65	-
Furniture & Equip. - Pinebrook	50,617.83	50,617.83

Furniture&Equip. -College	13,368.56	-
Real Estate -Original Purchase	426,286.28	414,202.96
Real Estate -Improve. Echobrook	1,518.30	-
Real Estate - " Overbrook	1,964.50	-
Real Estate - " Unidentified	19,375.26	-
Total Assets	\$ 832,260.87	\$ 464,820.79
Liabilities and Net Worth		
Accounts Payable:		
General Fund	-	1,050.13
Upper Macungie Township		
Property Fund	-	435.75
Notes Payable:		
1st. National Bank of Allentown	-	51,000.00
Mortgages Payable:		
1st. National Bank of Allentown	149,300.00	160,000.00
Pinebrook Foundation, Inc.	-	100,000.00
Total Liabilities	149,300.00	312,485.88
Net Worth-9/30/69	152,334.91	
Gain Trans. from		
Statement L	530,625.96	
Net Worth Sept. 30th	\$ 682,960.87	\$ 152,334.91
Liabilities and Net Worth	832,260.87	464,820.79

Statement L.

Pinebrook
Income Statement
Years Ended September 30, 1969-1968

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Contributions from Mizpah Grove		\$ 152,770.66
Contributions from Upper Macungie		
Township property sale	\$ 549,331.12	
<u>Expenses</u>		
Attorney Fees and Expenses	-	400.00
Printing and Postage	-	35.75
Interest	18,705.16	-
Total Expenses	18,705.16	435.75

Net Gain Transferred to
Statement K

\$ 530,625.96 \$ 152,334.91

Statement M.

Ministers' Retirement Fund
Balance Sheet
September 30, 1969-1968

<u>Assets</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
Cash	6,661.99	7,583.73
Cash-Savings & Loan Account	1,979.47	1,198.10
Accrued Interest Receivable	3,588.58	1,832.58
Stocks & Bonds (See Footnote)	81,411.81	79,147.04
Notes Receivable:		
Berean Bible School	11,000.00	11,000.00
Paradise Church	5,775.57	6,192.83
Victory Valley	7,500.00	7,500.00
Catasauqua Church	-	608.95
Total Assets	\$ 117,917.42	\$ 115,063.23
Liabilities and Net Worth		
Liabilities	-	-
Net Worth -9/30/68	\$ 115,063.23	
Gain from Statement N.	2,854.19	
Net Worth 9/30/69	117,917.42	115,063.23
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	117,917.42	115,063.23

Footnote: The Book Value of this portfolio is as follows:

200 shares of Penna. Power & Light Co. preferred with annual dividend of \$4.50	\$ 21,536.81
25 U.S. Treasury Notes 7 1/2% due August 15, '76	24,875.00
75 shares of Red Hill Savings & Loan Assn. 5 1/4%	15,000.00
4 savings Certificates 1st Penna. Bank and Trust Co. of Phila (5% compounded daily)	<u>20,000.00</u>

Total Stocks and Bonds \$ 81,411.81

Statement N.

Ministers' Retirement Fund
Income Statement
Years Ended September 30, 1969-1968

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Contributions from Administration		
Budget	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Contributions from Pastors	2,540.77	2,541.27
G. Raymond Klinger Legacy	303.74	-
Dividends	900.00	900.00
Interest Income	3,957.02	3,751.30
Gain on Sale of Bonds	2,389.77	-
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Total	15,091.30	11,192.57
<u>Expenses</u>		
Refunds to members who resigned	-	1,481.30
Annuities Paid	12,237.11	11,705.88
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Total	12,237.11	13,187.18
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Net Gain (loss) Transferred to Statement M.	2,854.19	(1,994.61)

(A. L. Seifert, Chairman; Byron C. Cassel, James R. Cressman, Jansen E. Hartman, Carl C. Cassel, John H. Riggall, Paul I. Wentz, Kermit K. Gehman, Frank L. Herb, Jr. Board).

CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

"...Lord, evermore give us this bread." John 6:34b

"The world of the West has made technology its trust, and external sits impassioned preoccupation. When Professor Sorokin was active at Harvard, he saw it coming, and branded ours a senate culture.

To anyone wishing to have the phrase spelled out in a fashion suited to plebians, Professor Sorokin might have called to his aid a zingy sort of rhyme that appeared in the lately-deceased Saturday Evening Post:

"This is the age
 Of the half-read page
 And the quick hash
 And the mad dash
 The bright night
 With the nerves tight
 The plane hop
 With the brief stop
 The lamp tan
 In a short span
 The Big Shot
 In a good spot
 And the brain strain
 And the heart pain
 And the cat naps
 Till the spring snaps
 And the fun's done."

Add to the confusion of our day the proneness of conservative evangelicals to pay nothing more than lip-service to the disciplines that deepens and enrich the life of God in the soul of man, and you have a state of affairs that bodes anything but good for the health of evangelism. The evangelistic impact upon those who are "without," as St. Paul puts it, is blunted by the non-evangelical impoverishment of those who are within." So spoke Dr. Paul S. Rees as he addressed a group of evangelical leaders at the recent Congress of Evangelism; in his effort to focus attention on the plight of man in our generation and the responsibility of the church to meet the present challenge with the gospel of Christ.

The church today must guard against the danger of developing individuals with full heads and empty hearts. A college student recently wrote, "I look around me on Sunday morning at people who were once again leaving the worship service as lonely as when they came in." In this generation the church is probably faced with a day of opportunity unprecedented as disturbed people in every age category are seeking solutions and answers to the most vital issues and questions that confront man - What is the purpose of life? Why are the young people revolting against the establishment? Can the family as a unit be preserved? Is scientific advancement solving or enlarging man's problems? Will civilization as we know it survive? How can peace of heart and mind be obtained?

The man of God and a church which is vibrant with Christ's life, proclaiming the message of God's Word in clearly understood terminology with the practical implications has the answer to these and other related questions. If the truth is presented impartially with conviction some will take time to listen.

Perhaps the Bible Fellowship Church for too long has been guilty of making prolonged and detailed study of methodology and church polity. Is it possible for some to become so engrossed in rules and regulations intended for efficiency of operation that they almost

completely neglect the fulfillment of the obligations placed upon us by Christ's unchanging commission? The primary task and responsibility of the church and its leaders is the evangelization of the lost and the edification of the saints. One is constantly impressed by the simplicity of organization in the early church and amazing accomplishments of the Lord's people in the face of seemingly unsurmountable obstacles. "But God " It appears significant that the Holy Spirit reveals only sparse information relative to meetings for involved discussions, but tells us constantly of the activity of the church and its leaders as they daily faced a hostile unregenerated society with strength received through fervent prayer and intimacy with Christ.

May God grant to our Bible Fellowship Church the spiritual revival so urgently needed now to produce a spirit-inspired ministry which will bring honor and glory to the One who alone is worthy of all the intense devotion He can inspire in our hearts.

Perhaps the greatest need of the Bible Fellowship Church at this time is to launch out in an aggressive program of Church Extension. Most of our churches have adequate facilities presently, or in their future planning, to adequately provide for their needs. Almost without exception, our churches are geographically located in areas where there is excellent potential for future growth. However, if the Bible Fellowship Church is to fulfill God's requirement for our generation it must open new churches in strategic locations where the potential for reaching masses of men is practically unlimited.

The Church Extension Board has given itself to prayer concerning this need and has made studies relating to population growth. It has developed plans for commencing new ministries in densely populated areas which are virtually devoid of a gospel witness. In order for this program to succeed it will require the fullest cooperation of our Pastors and Churches. Men who are aggressive and have given evidence of possessing the gifts needed for reaching people with the gospel of Christ must be willing to make the sacrifices necessary for engaging in pioneer work. Such men must receive adequate financial support for this ministry to make it possible to pursue this work without being over-burdened about the physical needs of their families. Some of our churches in recent years have not seriously analyzed their financial responsibility in making contributions to Church Extension. For more than a decade great stress has been given to the Foreign Mission enterprise which we heartily endorse. It appears to some that our Foreign Mission contributions have almost reached their limit with our present membership. But if more effort and finances are expended in opening new churches by our denomination the Foreign Mission effort will also be enhanced.

Each of us should give very serious thought to the need of extending our borders and do all we can locally to seek to have the Church Extension contributions increased. In recent years we have

experienced the closing of several Church Extension ministries. May God help us to reverse that trend as quickly as possible.

Nearly all our church properties are in excellent condition. Again this year several churches have done extensive work on their buildings and others have engaged in building programs. Here are some of the major items:

ALLENTOWN (Bethel) - Extensive remodeling, renovating and redecorating has been done in the parsonage over a period of months. This has made the interior very attractive.

BETHLEHEM - Their new church building is now nearing completion with dedication services planned for early November. The structure is located in the outlying section of Bethlehem in a very fine suburban area conducive to rapid church growth.

GRATERFORD - They continue to experience God's blessings on their ministry and are seeking the Lord's will regarding the best utilization of the additional property acquired recently.

HARRISBURG - Completed plans for a new addition are in their possession. However, there remains some uncertainty regarding several matters and your prayerful interest will be appreciated.

LANCASTER - This is presently one of our fastest growing Churches and Sunday Schools. The architect's drawings are completed for a new building to be erected adjacent to their present structure. Construction is scheduled to begin this fall.

LEBANON - The Lord's people at Lebanon under the leadership of their Pastor are to be commended for the successful fund-raising campaign recently completed. It has been a source of encouragement to the people in this fellowship and they are presently making plans to construct a new church. They are concerned regarding the need to obtain a buyer for the present property.

QUAKERTOWN - The facilities at this location leave much to be desired to properly conduct a Christian education program. They possess an excellent location on which to erect a future building and have been raising funds to commence this project. Plans are now being formulated for a new Church.

STROUDSBURG - Through the sacrificial giving of these people and much voluntary labor, the Lord has enabled them to renovate and redecorate the sanctuary. They have thus accomplished a maximum of work with a minimum financial expenditure.

EPHRATA - Soon after the inception of our ministry in this location, there was a concern for parking space. Land and a building across the street from the church was purchased during the year. This has provided a parking area and the building is being used for youth activities.

PARADISE - The Lord's people in Paradise have worked diligently and have given sacrificially throughout the year to make possible improvement and extensive renovations to their church building which included new pews and floor covering. They are now completing work which will greatly increase the usefulness of their basement area.

ROYERSFORD - This congregation has experienced much blessing from the Lord in recent years requiring enlarged facilities. Recently they had the joy of dedicating their beautiful new church which includes a number of well-planned areas for the Sunday School and other Christian Education facilities.

SUNBURY - Recently this church purchased a fine piece of property at an excellent location near the city limits. They have experienced substantial growth in their services and are making plans to relocate. At the present time prospects for selling their building are promising.

FINANCIAL

Receipts:

Balance from last year	\$	1,926.32	
Received from Church Extension		<u>9,720.00</u>	
Total			\$ 11,646.32

Expenditures:

A. Appropriations:

Sinking Spring	\$	787.50	
Stroudsburg		1,320.00	
Zionsville		<u>1,500.00</u>	3,607.50

B. Miscellaneous:

Assistance to Churches	\$	2,203.29	
Assistance to Pastors		3,551.00	
Mileage & Meals for Pastors		261.52	
Phone		<u>419.56</u>	6,435.37
			<u>10,042.87</u>
Balance			<u>1,603.45</u>
	\$		<u>11,646.32</u>

- A. L. Seifert

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION COMMITTEE

"The secret things belong to the Lord our God; but the things that are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law." Deuteronomy 29:29 (RSV)

In times when the Sunday School is seriously questioned as a viable force in accomplishing the work of God on earth, our committee stands confident that this nearly 200-year-old arm of the Church can be revitalized to meet the needs of our generation. Our annual Sunday School Convention, which was well attended, featured themes like "Living the Way in the Real Today", "Why Sunday School in 1969?", "Working in the Inner City", "Creative Thinking About the Sunday School", and "What it Takes to be a Young Black Christian".

The Visual Aids Library at Pinebrook Junior College received a \$400 appropriation from the committee to purchase new materials. We have also added tapes of the 1969 Convention addresses and workshops to our holdings. This library is a part of the college library and its materials are available to Bible Fellowship Sunday Schools, without charge, by writing to Mr. Dean Stortz, Librarian, Pinebrook Junior College, Box 481, R.D.#3 East Stroudsburg, Pa. 18301.

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, 1970.

Inasmuch as the Eighty-fifth Annual Conference did not have time to act on our recommendations concerning the Sunday School Promotion and Youth Fellowship General Committees, we are presenting these same recommendations for a comprehensive Christian Education program to the Eighty-sixth Annual Conference.

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).

The Eighty-sixth Annual Conference is also asked to consider the work of our sub-committee on Sunday School Standards and Promotional Aids. In presenting these two papers, we attempt to provide for our schools, with the first, a quick introduction to our Sunday Schools for use with visitors or in visitation; and, with the second, a more detailed description of our school's operation for any interested persons.

FINANCIAL Conference Year 1968-1969

Balance from previous year	\$ 2,144.95
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Receipts:

Offerings from Churches	\$ 1,093.47	
Convention Offerings:		
Adults	264.85	
Youth	30.47	
	295.33	1,388.79
		3,533.74

Expenditures:

Convention expenses including		
printing, speaker's hon, etc.	788.04	
Postage, phone, etc.	131.88	
Printing & promotion	37.51	
Visual Aids Library -Pinebrook		
Junior College	400.00	
Fellowship News	50.00	\$ 1,407.43

Balance in Treasury 9/30/69	\$ 2,126.31
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(John F. Boyle, James R. Cressman, Raymond R. Dotts, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., William R. Hunsberger, James G. Koch, Keith E. Plows, Norman L. Reed, A. L. Seifert, Glenn W. Sheats, Robert W. Truett, Daniel G. Ziegler, Committee).

REPORT OF STATIONING COMMITTEE

The Committee organized by electing Reverend A. L. Seifert, Chairman, and Byron C. Cassel, Secretary, of the Committee.

Delegate Paul Sensenig, of the Sinking Spring Church, was invited to meet with the committee as an advisory member.

It is recommended that Annual Conference promptly bring to the floor for second reading the material shown at page 24b of the minutes of the 85th Annual Conference, paragraphs IV through VIII, articles from the Committee to Coordinate Legislation Proposed by the Board of Church Extension.

We approve the choice of pastor made by each particular church under Pulpit Supply System.

We refer Harold C. Weaver to the Credentials Committee for assignment.

The approved appointments are:

CHURCHES

Allentown (Bethel)
 Allentown (Cedar Crest)
 Allentown (Salem)
 Bethlehem
 Blandon
 Catasauqua
 Coopersburg
 Denville
 Easton
 Emmaus
 Ephrata
 Fleetwood
 Graterford
 Harleysville
 Harrisburg
 Hatfield
 Lancaster
 Lebanon
 Lehighton
 Maple Glen
 Mount Carmel
 Nazareth
 Paradise
 Philadelphia (Calvary)
 Philadelphia (Emmanuel)
 Quakertown
 Reading
 Royersford
 Scranton
 Shamokin
 Sinking Spring
 Spring City
 Staten Island
 Stroudsburg

APPOINTMENT

Carl C. Cassel
 Robert E. Salzman
 Willard E. Cassel
 Frank L. Herb, Jr.
 Donald T. Kirkwood
 Brian Butler
 LeRoy S. Heller
 M. Leslie Campbell
 Paul B. Kuder
 Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.
 Robert W. Smock
 George E. Herb
 David J. Watkins
 David E. Thomann
 R. C. Reichenbach
 Ronald C. Mahurin
 John Dunn
 Bruce A. Ellingson
 Arthur H. Frable
 William M. Franklin
 Carl K. Spackman
 James A. Beil
 William A. Heffner
 Keith E. Plows
 Paul G. Zimmerman
 Donald R. Knauer
 James G. Koch
 Robert F. Johnson
 LeRoy C. Wilcox
 W. W. Hartman
 Terris L. Byrd
 Bert N. Brosius
 Daniel G. Ziegler
 Mark T. Smith

Sunbury
Terre Hill
Wallingford
York
Zionsville

William W. Mull
Leon K. Overpeck
C. E. Kirkwood
John H. Riggall
E. W. Bean

(A. L. Seifert, Byron C. Cassel, Roger S. Bowne, John L. Deily, Sterling E. Baer, Clyde W. Snyder, Leonard F. Kessler, Paul I. Wentz, Arthur Mack, Harold P. Shelly, Arthur W. Deppe, J. R. Weber, Robert W. Truett, Leon H. Naudasher, R. Paul Schaeffer, T. Lamarn Manney, Allan F. Smith, Franklin Mead, Edward J. Dietzman, Willard Blocker, Bright N. Heist, Robert Breitegam, Norman L. Reed, Oscar Barry, Edward A. Stortz, William R. Hunsberger, H. Phares Mumbauer, John I. Mengel, Frank L. Herb, Norman W. Granda, John F. Boyle, Allan C. Palmer, Gerald Hershey, George W. Harper, Roy E. Williams, Walter A. Schlagel, Horace A. Kauffman, Paul H. Cressman, Robert W. Gehret, Comm.).

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Due to the change of location and mode of administration of Berean School, where in the past, the archives materials have been stored, not much has been accomplished during the past year.

With greater library facilities soon to be made available at Pinebrook Junior College, it is hoped new impetus may be given to this aspect of our denomination.

The committee encourages the accumulation of local data by one or several interested individuals of each congregation.

With the passing of older members of our denomination, details and dates become more difficult to finalize. A question and answer conversation with an older member, stenographically or tape recorded, could be held for future reference and/or use in compiling denominational data.

We again emphasize any person who may have items to offer, should contact a member of the Historical Committee, so that proper credit may be given.

Because of the close association with and accessibility to the archives at Pinebrook Junior College, we recommend that Harold Snyder be named archivist.

(Byron C. Cassel, Paul H. Cressman, Raymond R. Dotts, Committee).

COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE POSSIBILITY OF MOVING ANNUAL CONFERENCE TO SPRING

The committee met and evaluated the feasibility of moving Annual Conference to spring. The following were among the reasons for change that we considered:

1. The benefit to pastors' families with children in school in that it would eliminate the need to change schools during the school year.

2. With most churches accelerating their program in the fall, spring seems to be a most appropriate time for change in anticipation of the fall program.

3. Annual Conference conducted in the spring would prove beneficial to ministerial candidates in that it would eliminate the present waiting period between spring graduation and assignment to a church in the fall.

We therefore recommend that the Annual Conference be moved to the first full week in June.

(C. E. Kirkwood, Chairman; William A. Heffner, Leon K. Overpeck, Horace A. Kauffman, Leon H. Naudasher, 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-Fifth Annual Conference and have found them to be correct.

We hereby submit two copies duly certified.

(John H. Riggall, LeRoy S. Heller, Committee).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PREPARE THE YEARBOOK

The committee wishes to express concern over the negligence on the part of many boards and committees to prepare copy according to the prescribed deadlines. This negligence works hardship on Pastor Thomann who must prepare the majority of all copy and logically causes delay in the preparation of the Yearbook.

We recommend that the reports of the Conference Superintendent, the President of Pinebrook Junior College, the General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions and the Director of Church Extension be in the hands of the individual assigned to type copy for the Yearbook no later than October 1 of each year.

(Robert W. Smock, David E. Thomann, Willard E. Cassel, Committee).

ABRIDGED REPORT OF DELEGATES TO THE U.S. CONGRESS ON EVANGELISM

Five thousand delegates from 50 states and 10 nations gathered for the U.S. Congress on Evangelism in Minneapolis, Minnesota, September 8-13, 1969.

The Congress had no legislative authority or enduring organization but its purpose was "To know the truth of the Gospel; to experience the indwelling of the Holy Spirit; to serve in spreading the good news."

The program of the conclave was built around plenary sessions at the Minneapolis Municipal Auditorium, where position papers and major addresses were featured, a daily prayer meeting in the Central Lutheran Church, afternoon "Church-in-Action" groups - workshops in what can be done and what is being done in evangelism, and informal interaction on the personal and small group levels.

While many foundational truths of biblical theology and evangelism were presented, we select four insights which we believe applicable to the Bible Fellowship Church at this time.

1. We need to be renewed (or revived) individually and as churches so that we become witnessing communities of concerned Christians.

The individual life is renewed on the "journey inward" in fellowship with God and in relationship with others, through identification and listening. Believers live in churches, which are God's instruments of evangelism. A renewed church will partake of New Testament "community", characterized by honesty, confession and love. Such a church can be a powerful force in evangelism.

2. We must aim at the goal of every member motivation and involvement in witness and find ways to challenge and train people.

Pastors must choose the "equipping ministry" (Eph. 4:11-16); laymen must demand it.

3. We need to understand the revolutionary times in which we live and develop a revolutionary approach to evangelism.

Revolutionary evangelism demands creativity, boldness and rethinking as to methods, while we reaffirm the only message that is revolutionary enough to meet the needs of these times - the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

"Revolutionary evangelism will mean taking the Gospel to revolutionary people" (Leighton Ford).

We must face this issue of the sin of racism, which rends the Body of Christ and blunts the message we proclaim. Up to now,

the Bible Fellowship Church has been inexcusably silent and immobile in the face of this monstrous evil.

4. There is a crying need for evangelicals to stand together and co-operate in the massive task of world evangelism, and we ought to share in it.

The oneness of evangelicals was demonstrated as Minneapolis. It must be demonstrated in every city, for the authentication of the Gospel (John 13:35;17:21) and for the complete proclamation of the Gospel in the face of the needs of our day.

While at the Congress we learned of a development that, while not part of the Congress, may be the Spirit's means of helping the evangelical churches to implement the burden for united witness in these United States.

As a response to a June, 1967 editorial in Christianity Today, "Somehow, Let's Get Together", evangelical leaders have met in a series of strategic gatherings called "Key Bridge Consultations" which have produced a tentative plan for an evangelistic thrust in U.S. and Canada in 1973. Its general objective is, "To confront every person in America more fully with the Gospel of Jesus Christ in order to make disciples and thereby carry out the Great Commission."

In formulating the preliminary plans great care has been exercised to safeguard the autonomy and conviction of all churches who may participate. The whole plan will be voluntary in all its parts. No permanent organization is intended. Each denomination would participate, as deeply or shallowly as it chooses, in a simultaneous evangelism thrust. Resources would be made available for those who wish to use them.

At Minneapolis a quick survey indicated that at least 23 denominations and organizations are already committed to the endeavor. None of those who were represented at Minneapolis and had considered the idea had rejected it.

This is our first awareness of the development toward a 1973 Evangelism Emphasis. It merits our prayerful consideration.

We came away from the U.S. Congress of Evangelism with the sense that we had shared in something moving and momentous.

A book is soon to be published containing all the position papers and major addresses of the Congress. We commend it to you.

We shall also have tapes of some of the addresses that we considered most outstanding and effective. These will be available through A.L. Seifert for loan, so that our constituency may listen to them and possibly share them with others, thus extending the impact of the Congress.

We recommend adoption of the following:

Whereas, We have been advised that there are other evangelical groups who are planning for simultaneous Evangelism Thrust in 1973, therefore,

Resolved, That we too plan an Evangelism Thrust in 1973 and

Resolved, That we seek the Lord for His help that the Bible Fellowship Church become increasingly concerned and zealous in evangelism between now and 1973, and, further

Resolved, That we commission the Board of Church Extension to develop specific plans and goals for our Evangelism Thrust in 1973 and for such efforts prior to that year, by which we may be increasingly effective in our evangelistic task and by which we might be prepared for the full impact of our 1973 Evangelism Thrust.

(John L. Deily, A. L. Seifert, Daniel G. Ziegler, Delegates)

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE (II)

Whereas, the stationing Committee has referred Harold C. Weaber, to the Credentials Committee for assignment, and,

Whereas, the Credentials Committee is convinced that assignment of men under its care is not a part of its present responsibility, therefore,

Resolved, That we request the Stationing Committee to reconsider its action.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO REVISE PRESENT PULPIT SUPPLY

The special committee appointed by the Chairman of the 85th Annual Conference to study and to present revisions of our present Pulpit Supply System has endeavored to energetically and carefully fulfill the commitment assigned to them. Fully aware of many of the problems of our present system and the dissatisfaction of many of our brethren with its inadequacies, the Committee first set as its task the seeking out of areas of agreement and general principles to be followed. We call them to your attention before presenting the proposed revisions.

General agreement was found in the following areas:

1. The need to eliminate the Annual Poll,
2. The privilege of Pastors to tender resignations to pastorates at any time of the year,

3. The need of free discussion between the Official Board and Pastor to resolve problems,
4. The advisability of the conference, acting in an advisory manner to the local church and as a clearing office for pastoral changes and pastoral supply,
5. The advisability of freedom of communication between Official Board and eligible men to fill vacant pulpits,
6. The continued need for a terminal date, with modifications, for all changes,
7. The introduction of a pastor-church agreement.

The Committee does not believe that it has arrived at a perfect system that will eliminate all difficulties, but is in agreement that the plan hereby submitted will substantially improve our present system and stabilize pastor-church relationships. Liberty and stability are the keywords of this new proposal. May we carefully and prayerfully seek the mind of the Lord and His divine will. We submit the following material for first reading:

I. PROCEDURES BY WHICH THE PULPIT OF A LOCAL CHURCH MAY BECOME VACANT.

A. Vacancies where effective dates are automatically established by action and/or Annual Conference rules. The Credentials Committee shall confirm the date in writing to the first delegate.

1. Death of the Pastor
2. Retirement of the Pastor
3. Election of the pastor to a conference ministry which excludes pastoring the local church.

B. Vacancies where the effective dates are determined by action of the Credentials Committee. Notice of action and the effective date shall be forwarded in writing to both the pastor and the first delegate.

1. Resignation of the pastor from the local church.
2. Resignation of the pastor from the Bible Fellowship Conference.
3. Removal from pastoral eligibility by action of the Credentials Committee.

C. Vacancies where the effective date is determined by action of the local congregation. The Pastoral Relations Committee of the local church shall perform its duties as delineated in the Faith and Order (Page 22 of the 1968 Year Book). If there are problems which the committee cannot resolve, the following procedure shall be used:

1. Meeting of the Official Board and the Pastor
 - a. The first delegate shall preside at all meetings pertaining to the pulpit supply. Two-thirds of the membership of the Board shall constitute a quorum.
 - b. The first delegate, at the request of the Pastoral Relations Committee or a majority of the Official Board, shall ask the pastor

to meet with the Board.

c. They shall discuss the problems with him.

d. If no agreement can be reached between the pastor and the Official Board, the secretary of the Board shall contact the Credentials Committee and request a meeting with them.

2. Meeting of the Official Board and the Credentials Committee

a. The Official Board, with the pastor present, shall discuss their problems with the Credentials Committee.

b. The Credentials Committee may make recommendations to the Official Board.

c. If it appears that the only solution is a change of pastor and if the pastor refuses to resign, then the Official Board shall call a congregational meeting which shall be announced at a minimum of three services.

3. Meeting of the Official Board and the Congregation

a. The first delegate shall invite the pastor to attend the meeting.

b. The Official Board shall present their recommendations for a change of pastor.

c. The pastor may present his reasons for wanting to remain.

d. After adequate time has been allowed for discussion, the members of the congregation (16 years and older) shall vote by ballot on the question, "Do you desire to retain your pastor?"

e. If two-thirds of the congregation present at the meeting favor a change, the Official Board shall request the resignation of the pastor and declare the pulpit vacant.

f. The secretary of the Official Board shall notify the Credentials Committee in writing of the congregation's action and the vote count.

II. FILLING A VACANT PULPIT

A. Filling a pulpit which becomes vacant between Annual Conference

1. Action of the Local Church in obtaining a pastor

a. When a church is without a pastor, the Official Board (excluding the pastor) shall be responsible for all pulpit supply procedures. The first delegate shall serve as Chairman.

b. The Official Board shall confer with the Credentials Committee for a current list of men who are eligible to pastor a Bible Fellowship Church and may ask for their recommendations of men who might be interested in receiving such a call.

c. The Official Board should confer with eligible men prior to election by the Official Board. Details of a Pastoral Agreement should be a part of these conferences.

d. Upon election by at least two-thirds of the membership of the Official Board, the secretary of the Official Board shall notify in writing the Pastor and the Credentials Committee of the results of the election including the vote count. This action and a copy of the Pastoral Agreement submitted to the Pastor shall constitute a call.

2. Action of Pastor and Annual Conference

a. A pastor receiving a call shall make a decision within two weeks of the receipt of the call. His reply shall be written to both the church and the Credentials Committee.

b. All changes in pulpit shall occur on the first Sunday after Annual Conference. Exceptions to this date of change may be approved by the Credentials Committee if they obtain agreement from the two churches involved in the change of pastor. No change may be approved which leaves a pastor without a church.

3. Action of the Local Church

a. The first delegate shall announce to the congregation the acceptance of the call and the effective date.

B. Filling a pulpit which is open or becomes open on or after the last Saturday in September. All information and action shall be conveyed by telephone and confirmed immediately by mail.

1. Action of Annual Conference

a. On the last Saturday in September (day 1) the Credentials Committee shall compile a list of all churches who have no pastor and a list of men who are eligible to pastor a church and who have not been placed.

b. The Credentials Committee shall notify the pastors and first delegates of the churches involved of the complete contents of both lists.

c. The Credentials Committee may make recommendations to the delegates and pastors to pulpit supply possibilities.

2. Action of the Local Church

a. The Official Board shall prepare by Wednesday (day 5) a preference list containing its first and second choices for pastor. The choices shall be made from the list supplied by the Credentials Committee. The Official Board may confer with available men.

b. The first delegate shall immediately notify the Credentials Committee of the order of the preference list.

3. Action of Annual Conference

a. On Thursday (day 6) the Credentials Committee shall inform each pastor of churches having listed his name first or second on its preference list.

b. The Pastor shall consider his first choice(s) and make his decision. He shall convey this decision to the Credentials Committee by Sunday (day 9).

c. By Monday (day 10) the Credentials Committee shall inform the delegate of the acceptance of the call of the church involving a first choice.

d. On Monday (day 10) the Credentials Committee shall inform the remaining pastors of available church(es) involving second choice. All remaining available pastors and churches without a pastor shall be notified of the status of open pulpits and pastor availability.

e. The pastor shall consider his second choice(s) and

make his decision. He shall convey his decision to the Credentials Committee by Thursday (day 13).

f. On Friday (day 14) the Credentials Committee shall inform the delegate of the acceptance of the call of the church involving a second choice.

g. On Friday (day 14) the Credentials Committee shall inform all remaining available pastors and churches without a pastor of the status of open pulpits and pastor availability.

4. Action of Local Church

a. The Official Board shall meet before Monday (day 17) and prepare a preference list designating their first and second choices. The Official Board may confer with available men. These choices shall be submitted to the Credentials Committee at the Annual Conference.

5. Action of Annual Conference

a. The Credentials Committee shall deal with the matter of pulpit supply of all churches who have not received a pastor.

b. No pastor shall be placed without consultation with both pastor and the delegate of the church.

c. All available pastors must be placed.

III THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LOCAL CHURCH AND THE PASTOR

The _____ Bible Fellowship Church of _____, believing that the call of God to minister in the church of Jesus Christ is upon you, and that your ministration in the Gospel will be profitable to the believers of our Local church, hereby expresses its desire to call you to undertake the office of pastor of our congregation. In extending this call we promise you all proper support, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord as you discharge your duties as shepherd of the flock.

In order that you may be free from secular employment and undue material concern, we promise to pay you the sum of \$ _____ yearly in regular (_____ monthly _____ bi-weekly _____ weekly) payments during the time you are the regular pastor of this church, together with the free use of the parsonage and utilities, plus _____ weeks vacation.

In addition to the above we agree to reimburse you for the following:

\$ _____ for the Minister's Retirement Fund

\$ _____ for the FICA self-employment tax

\$ _____ for the Hospital Plan for minister and family

\$ _____ for travel expenses

Also, we promise and oblige ourselves to review with you the adequacy of this compensation annually.

Signed, this _____ day of _____ 19 _____ at _____.

Bible Fellowship Church
Secretary of Official Board

Pastor

If the above material is adopted, we recommend that the Credentials Committee prepare procedural details to carry out their part of the proposed pulpit supply system.

(R. C. Reichenbach, Chairman; R. W. Gehret, Secretary; H. A. Kauffman, W. A. Heffner, John H. Riggall, Committee).

REPORT OF BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION II

The Board of Church Extension announces the following appointments:

Belvidere, N. J.
Finesville, N. J.
Miller Heights, Pa.
Walnutport, Pa.

John H. Herb
Harold C. Weaver
Donald Barnhart
David L. Branning

The Board of Church Extension extended a call to Harold C. Weaver to serve as Pastor of the Finesville, N. J. mission.

The Board of Church Extension extended a call to Robert Minnig to serve under the direction of the Interim Director.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

A Study of the Meaning of Church Membership

"...I will build my church; and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it" (Matt. 16:18). This is the promise of Jesus Christ. That church is built of "living stones" (I Pet. 2:5); people who have been redeemed from sin are, by the same Lord who bought them, brought together into a new society, the church of Jesus Christ, which is called His body.

In the broadest sense, the term "body of Christ" applies to the totality of all believers of all times and places who have been saved through the death of Christ. (cf. Eph. 4). The same phrase may be used to describe a particular group of believers, at a given time and place (cf. I Cor. 12). In the larger sense we speak of the universal, invisible church. In the second sense, we speak of the local, visible church.

"The word ecclesia ("church", or more accurately, "assembly") is used in the New Testament one hundred and fifteen times. Of these instances, one hundred and ten (relate) to the Christian church. Its ordinary use in the New Testament is to designate a specific, local assembly of Christians. The word occurs in this local sense in ninety-two instances") H. Harvey: The Church: Its Polity and Ordinances, p. 27).

Only born-again persons are or will be members of the universal, invisible church (Eph.5:25-27). The local, visible church should be a miniature of the invisible church, an accurate microcosm of the universal. It must, therefore, as far as possible, admit only regenerate persons to its membership.

In our day the doctrine of the universal church is frequently represented in an unbalanced way, so as to depreciate or negate the local church, or to rationalize one's non-membership in a particular church. The use of parts of Scripture to nullify other parts is heresy. Shall we disavow the local church, that the universal church may abound? God forbid!

The need for this study, and consequently, the designation of of this committee, arose when the Annual Conference met an impasse in the matter of adopting an application and questionnaire for prospective members to fill out prior to their being received into church membership.

The discussion that accompanied consideration of the proposed membership questionnaire revealed some deep and basic differences of viewpoint with respect to the meaning of church membership. Some of the questions which were raised or implied at that time include:

- (1) What are the biblical standards for reception into church membership?
- (2) What degree of spiritual growth or maturity can or should be expected of new church members?
- (3) Is membership in a church the right of all believers, or must it be earned?
- (4) Is discipline best administered before or after a person is received into a church?
- (5) How can we establish whether an applicant for church membership is truly regenerate?
- (6) How do practices regarding reception and discipline of members affect church growth?
- (7) How much time lapse should there be between profession of Christ and reception into church membership?
- (8) What are the implications of our fellowship in a denomination for the practices of receiving and transferring members?

I. Scriptural Evidences for Church Organization and Membership

In His Great Commission, Jesus directed His disciples (and the rest of His church), to make disciples, whom they were then

to baptize and to teach (Matt. 28:19,20). The Scriptural record indicates that there was a naturalness and eagerness in Spirit-born disciples to be baptized and to learn. There was a willing submission to baptism and to teaching that implies and includes the acceptance of a formal relationship - church membership. For example, Acts 2:41,42 states, "They then that received (Peter's) word (i.e. became disciples) were baptized," and goes on to tell how they, about three thousand of them, were added to the Jerusalem church and became faithful in the elements of the life of the church - teaching, fellowship, the Lord's Supper and the stated prayer times.

On the strength of the Lord's Commission the apostles commanded disciples to be baptized (Acts 2:38; 10:48) and to learn their teaching (II Thess. 3:4; I Tim. 4:11; Titus 3:14; Phil. 4:9). This indicates assertion of authority by the apostles and subjection by those whom they commanded, implying a formal membership-like relationship.

The word "members" comes from the body analogy (cf. Rom. 12:4, 5; I Cor. 12:12-27; Eph. 4:25; 5:30). It speaks of subjection to the Head, and of mutual co-operation, edification and effectiveness.

In the narrative of the Acts, reference is frequently made to the numbers of believers in the Jerusalem church (e.g. Acts 1:15; 2:41, 47; 4:4; 5:14; 6:1, 2, 5, 7). The great number involved as well as the mechanics of feeding and providing for the people, imply that records and lists were kept.

The organization of the church in the New Testament also implies definite membership rolls for the churches. The officers were apostles, elders and deacons. When the office of deacon was originated (Acts 6), "the multitude of the disciples" were instructed by the twelve, "Look ye out therefore, brethren, from among you seven men of good report," etc. (vs. 3). The record goes on to say that "the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose the seven men (v. 5). It was the practice of New Testament church planters to designate elders in each church, from among the members. This was apparently always done after a time lapse, for solidification of the membership roll and maturation of the potential elders (Acts. 14:23; Titus 1:5; I Pet. 5:1). The numerous commands for believers to obey, submit and be subject to their God-given leaders surely indicate a meaningful, formal membership commitment (cf. Heb. 13:7, 17; I Cor. 16:16; I Pet. 5:5; Eph. 5:21). Furthermore, those leaders are instructed to rule or govern the churches (I Tim. 3:5; 5:17; Acts 20:28; Heb. 13:17, I Pet. 5:1-4).

Local church membership is also implicit in the commands and practice regarding discipline and excommunication (Matt. 18:15-17; I Cor. 5:etc.). If men could be put out of a church, they must also have been received into that body. The practice of letters of commendation (I Cor. 16:3; II Cor. 3:1) also tends to indicate formal membership rolls.

II. The Meaning and Purpose of Church Membership

The purpose of church membership is the glory of God by the establishment of His authority in the individual believer and in the world. If our corporate responsibilities are to be fulfilled in the modern historical context this will demand formal church membership.

Identification of believers by baptism and the Lord's Supper has been weakened because of the fact that peoples and churches with contradictory views on crucial doctrinal issues observe the same outward ordinances. Further, the plurality of churches in any given area make it necessary for the sincere Christian to choose the particular church which comes closest to reflecting the faith and practice of the Scriptures.

When a person establishes a formal bond with a particular church it means that:

- (1) The member is confessing substantial agreement with the doctrinal beliefs and practical application of those beliefs which the particular church proclaims and displays.
- (2) The individual is submitting to the spiritual discipline of the particular church.
- (3) The member becomes partaker of the benefits of corporate guidance and blessing. This includes worship, mutual exhortation, the guidance of the Spirit through elders, the ministry of healing and comfort, establishment of a corporate testimony, participation in witness and service which goes beyond personal capacity for fulfillment, and the expression of the love of Christ within a local community of believers.
- (4) The local body of believers is bearing witness to the fact that the individual member claims to be a part of the body of Christ, and that there is nothing in the life or attitude of the person to disprove this assertion.

III. Reception of Persons to Church Membership

"It is not good that the man should be alone," was the declaration of God concerning man in his pre-fallen innocence (Gen. 2:18). The need, desire and blessing of fellowship is part of man's humanness. Man is, by design of his Creator, a social being. Although all people who are Christians become so individually, by the new birth, it is not God's will that they remain alone. The solitary Christian is an anomaly. The whole weight of Scripture indicates that it is normal, necessary and obligatory for Christians to be gathered together into churches.

This is particularly brought out in the writings and practice of the Apostle Paul. For him, "The unity of all believers in the church

of the living God was a necessary implication of the gospel itself" (Reginald E. O. White: Apostle Extraordinary, p. 61). Thus Paul endeavored repeatedly, and pressed his application, to become part of the church in Jerusalem (implied in Acts 9:26). "He refused to remain in impoverished isolation from all Christ's other 'members'. So, he endeavored to join the disciples at Jerusalem: it is a valid reason still for uniting formally and loyally with the existing Church of Christ... The Christian who pretends he does not need his brethren in nursing the foolish pride that goes before a serious fall... The individualist Christians, therefore, sitting lightly to all Church loyalties, and tempted sometimes to depreciate or 'organized Christianity' must expect no sympathy from Paul" (Ibid, pp. 57, 61, 62).

When a man has been born again by the grace of God he should be received into a church. The church is obligated to receive the new Christian. It is his right as well as his responsibility to become a member of a local church. The Lord has added him to the church when He saved him (Acts 2:47); if a church refuses him they reject the work and word of God. Membership in a church is not a gift, bestowed by the local church, nor a reward that is earned by the believer, but a right that is bestowed by God.

Churches frequently create conditions or pre-requisites for membership that are sufficiently stringent to exclude some, or even many new believers in Christ. It appears that this has sometimes happened with Bible Fellowship Churches. There are a number of reasons why this happens:

1. Standards are set high or requirements are made narrow in order to exclude unbelievers. A church is right in its desire that it not receive unregenerate persons into its membership. Jude 4 describes "certain men" who "crept in privily - ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ." Acts 8:9-24 describes how an unbelieving man, Simon, was received into the church at Samaria, with serious consequences.

The church must seek to discern whether a real work of regeneration has occurred in the heart of a prospective member. This should be on the basis of biblical evidences of new birth. We are mistaken if we believe it right or effective to use extra-biblical standards of cultural and sociological separation as criteria for membership or evidence of regeneration. In an article in the January 31, 1969 issue of Christianity Today, "Let's Drop Rules for Church Membership," Norman L. Geisler says, "Although a local church should desire to have a membership that includes no non-Christians, something is wrong when this desire is carried out at the cost of excluding Christians who sincerely seek membership" (p. 17).

The church that sets up external, cultural, extra-biblical standards for membership may well find that it is accepting the

the hypocritical and rejecting the honest.

If the one extreme of too low standards and too broad acceptance is to be avoided, then the other extreme of too stringent requirements, or superficial, legalistic barriers, is also to be shunned. "Paper" or arbitrary standards that are not biblical cannot guarantee or even promote real spirituality (Mark 7:7, 8; Rom. 14:1; Acts 15; Col. 2:16-23).

2. Standards for receiving new members may inadvertently be based on an abnormal situation rather than the normal. A church should be continually winning people to Christ. The normal should be that these babes in Christ are being received into membership. Often, however, few, if any, are being born into the family of God through our churches. Thus, most of the members received are people who come by geographical or ecclesiastical transfer and have been believers for some time, and who could, consequently, be expected to meet higher or narrower standards. Hence the standards are determined on the basis of the more frequent reception of older believers than the less frequent (but more normal) reception of brand new Christians.

When a believer is young in his Christian life, we may expect some immaturity and inconsistency. It is our responsibility to seek to promote growth to maturity. The church is a nursery to receive the new-born baby and to feed, protect, love and train him; the church is a hospital, to heal the spiritually sick; the church is a school, to instruct and train the spiritual child.

3. The church may, however, conceive of its role and responsibility as to purify and edify the new believer before accepting him into fellowship. This was implied in the report of the Committee on Church Forms, in explaining its proposed membership application and questionnaire. "The Committee is of the conviction that it is far better to delay membership because it can be advantageous to work with individuals concerning their problems before membership is granted than to have to remove them at a later" (Page 2, Report).

While a reasonable case can be made for a time-lapse between profession of faith and reception into membership, and granting that it is logical that the church would teach, nurture and train the new believer during that period, it is not right that, once the customary time has lapsed and the applicant has been acknowledged to be a true believer, his membership should be delayed.

In the process of natural growth, would anyone dare to assert or think that a person would be better prepared for adult participation in family life by being raised as an orphan rather than as a full sharer in the loving life of a wholesome and happy family?

Part of the help the church can give the young believer with his problems comes from the acceptance, love and trust that accompany

the commitment of church membership. The dynamics and discipline of a vital church fellowship should mean a great deal toward his spiritual victory. Discipline, here, is used in the full sense of instruction and training in addition to the punitive, negative sense. "What is often forgotten is that Christian morality is an ideal to be attained as the result of edifying ministry of the church and not a condition to be realized before one enters the church" (Geisler, *ibid*).

4. The church may desire that its membership be an "elite corps" in the army of the Lord. It may seek by stringent and high standards of membership to weed out all sluggards and have only valiant, disciplined soldiers in its ranks. This is a good aim. The objection is that this is not a biblical standard. To be sure, all believers should aspire to this. And, certainly, each church should seek to bring its people up to a high standard. But an army takes green recruits and trains them. It does not require that they be qualified to be generals before they can get in.

It might further be pointed out that if this is the reason for the standards of some of our churches, it is a failure, because few of our churches are really growing (one would assume that elite spiritual warriors would be exceptional soul winners) and few are producing an abundance of outstanding spiritual leaders.

May it not be that admission standards that are narrower than God makes them are driving real believers from our churches, and, thus, hindering the growth of the Bible Fellowship Church?

5. Some professed believers are not accepted to membership in churches because they refuse to meet biblical standards for admittance. For example, some wish to become members of the Bible Fellowship Church but refuse to be baptized by immersion, though we understand believers' baptism by immersion to be a biblical pre-requisite of church membership (see Articles of Faith). Some come, young as they are in the faith, and assert that our Articles of Faith are not acceptable to them. Such persons must be rejected as members, because they are refusing to be subject to the church at the outset. In so doing, they are disobeying Christ and His Word and are thus not fit candidates for membership.

Acts 2:38-42 gives the pre-requisites to reception into church membership. They are:

- (1) Repentance of sin and faith in Jesus Christ.
- (2) Baptism.

The church faces the problem of how to ascertain whether, indeed, the applicant has repented and believed in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. Theologians agree that the applicant should present "credible" evidence of saving faith. The theologians differ as to what "credible evidence" means or what degree of credibility is required (cf. Charles Hodge: Systematic Theology, Vol. III, p. 544).

We do well to accept biblical criteria for credible profession of faith. Conformity to customs or morals that are more cultural than biblical should not be regarded as acceptable criteria. The First Letter of John deals with the question of evidences of regeneration (I John 5:13). While some of the basis of assurance presented in the book are internal, "of the heart" and therefore of personal application only, there are three that may be tested by others:

- (1) Confession of Christ, I John 2:22, 23.
- (2) Righteousness of life, I John 3:10.
- (3) Love of one's Christian brethren, I John 3:10.

These then constitute credible evidence of a regenerate life.

As a church we recognize a double standard within the church in requirements for office bearers and requirements for members (see report of Committee to Study the Problem of Divorce, 1965 Yearbook, pp. 58, 59). On the basis of Acts 2:41, 42 it would be reasonable for the church to hold a dual standard for admittance of persons who have been believers for years as opposed to new believers. Acts 2:42 indicates that in the Jerusalem church, new members were brought into steadfast continuance in being taught the Word, in fellowship, in the Lord's Supper ("the breaking of bread") and the prayers (stated prayer times of the church). A church should be prepared to take the babe in Christ into membership and then lead him on into faithfulness in all parts of the church life. But when a Christian of some year's standing presents himself for membership, a church has a right to expect that his life already demonstrates these normal elements of glad obedience.

Some churches have a sort of reverse dual standard for reception of members. That is, they expect and require more stringent standards for reception of new members than the standards of people who are already members. These churches will tolerate in the lives of existing members that for which they will refuse admittance of new members. If the standards for retention of membership be different from the standards for entrance, the standards for continuing ought to be higher, not vice-versa.

While the early chapters of the Acts seem to indicate that new believers were immediately baptized and brought into full membership in the church, the whole of the New Testament evidence is not conclusive as to whether or not the apostolic church provided for a time lapse between profession of faith and baptism (which was probably the initiatory rite into the church) and/or reception into full fellowship. That period of time may be useful, both as a time for basic teaching and an opportunity for the new believer to demonstrate the reality of the work of God's grace in his life.

Immediacy of full reception of converts on or soon after Pentecost in Jerusalem may not necessarily be normative for practice today. It would be presumed that those Jewish converts

were well schooled in the Old Testament, the only Scriptures that the church possessed at that time. Furthermore, the relationship of the newly emerging church to Judaism was unclear and changing.

Hodge discusses the practice of the early church regarding catechumens, which involved a time lapse between profession and baptism. "If baptism involved a profession of faith, it must involve a profession of faith in certain doctrines; and those doctrines must be known in order to be professed. In the early church, therefore, there was a class of catechumens or candidates for baptism who were under a regular course of instruction. This course continued, according to circumstances, from a few months, to three years" (Ibid., Vol. III, pp. 541, 542). While a delay may be proper and useful, the church should not use or extend this delay so as to force unreasonable and frustrating demands on the babe in Christ for a maturity that is beyond his capacity.

Reception of a believer into membership in a church involves a mutual commitment to a permanent relationship (cf. I Cor. 12:12-27). Present day practices of many Christians and churches, which permit people to move casually from one church in a community to another, do violence to this truth. The Bible never sanctions severance of church ties because of interpersonal problems, which are always to be dealt with and resolved (Matt. 5:21-26; 18:15-20; I Cor. 6:1-8), or for other lesser reasons. Contemporary practice in our culture violates the permanence of the relationship, undercuts the integrity and discipline of sister churches, promotes spiritual and moral laxity among professed Christians and makes the faith look foolish to outsiders.

Because reception to church membership involves mutual commitment to a permanent relationship it should be public. The mutual covenant and acceptance should be clearly stated.

It is the opinion of the committee that it is unadvisable and tends to be destructive of the integrity of church membership to receive children as members.

The Bible Fellowship Church, having its historic roots in Mennonitism, partakes of the Anabaptist heritage. We gladly and reaffirm our belief in the basic Anabaptist convictions, for which many of our spiritual forebears suffered and died; believers' baptism, a regenerate church membership and separation of the church from the state.

In his introduction to Gideon G. Yoder's book, The Nurture and Evangelism of Children, President Paul Mininger of Goshen College wrote that the "vision of our (Anabaptist) forefathers centered primarily around two foci: the Christian life as a personal relationship to the living Christ which can best be described as discipleship and the church as the community of voluntarily committed disciples in whom Christ dwells and through whom He is carrying forward His purpose in history" (p. ix).

Within the Mennonite Church, President Mininger goes on, there "has been the growing conviction that the baptism of small children is incompatible with this high view of the Christian life and the church." There has, he goes on, "been the gradual realization by church leaders that many of our congregations have become, in reality, ethnic and cultural groups, rather than living churches bound together by their common commitment to Christ. This is the result of losing 'The Anabaptist Vision', the admittance into the church of those who were not fully committed disciples and the breakdown of discipline within the brotherhood" (Yoder, ix,x). We in the Bible Fellowship Church might do well to ask ourselves questions along these lines.

Biblical statements on the subject of child evangelism and reception into church fellowship are scant at best. It may reasonably be argued that the virtual silence of the New Testament regarding the conversion, baptism and active life in the church of children should caution us to wait till the individual has "put away childish things" before we presume on the basis of his profession that a genuine regenerative conversion has taken place and admit him to baptism and church membership.

Perhaps the most important statement in Scripture on this subject is in Luke 2:42, which mentions a particular age at which Jesus, the sinless Child, assumed His place, personally, in the life of the Jewish church. "And when he was twelve years old, they went up (to Jerusalem) after the custom of the feast." According to the Law every male of Israel was to appear before the Lord at Pass-over (Exodus 23:14-17; 34:23; Deut. 16:16). This was to be "in the place which (the Lord) shall choose" (Deut. 16:16), which place was Jerusalem, the site of the Temple.

"At the age of twelve a young Jew became 'a son of the Law', and began to keep its enactments respecting feasts, fasts and the like. The mention of age implies that since the Presentation (when He was forty days old; Luke 2:22-24; Lev. 12:2-6) Jesus had not been up to Jerusalem" (Alfred Plummer: The Gospel According to Saint Luke, p. 75). Dare we disregard the fact that Jesus, who always obeyed and fulfilled the Law, assumed His adult responsibility under that Law for the first time at the age of twelve? "This age appears to have been regarded by the Jews as a kind of turning point out of the state of childhood" (J. C. Ryle: Expository Thoughts on the Gospels, Vol. II, p. 82). "It was at the age of twelve that the young Jew began to be responsible for legal observances, and to receive religious instructions; he became a son of the law" (F. L. Godet: Commentary on the Gospel of Luke, Vol. I, p. 146).

John Lightfoot and John Gill, both extensive and careful students of Jewish lore, cite support for the view that the Jews regarded puberty as the time of accountability and assumption of adult responsibility. Lightfoot (cf. Ryle, op. cit., p. 82) cited Rabbinical writers, "Let a man deal gently with his son, till he comes to be twelve years old; but from that time let him descend with him into

his way of living - that is, let him diligently keep him close to that way, rule and act, by which he may get his living." Gill asserts that "according to the maxims of the Jews, persons were not obligated to the duties of the law, or subject to the penalties of it in case of non-performance, until they were, a female, at the age of twelve years, and one day and a male, at the age of thirteen years, and one day" (John Gill: An Exposition of the New Testament, Vol. I. p. 432. Gill quotes several Rabbis to support his statement.)

We should, then, respect puberty as the point beyond which an adult-type commitment to a church, with the depth and permanence implied in that commitment, can and should be made.

This should not be construed to indicate that the young child has no religious capability or response. But we must be willing to distinguish between early religious response in the child and genuine conversion, based on repentance for sin and faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.

Gideon Yoder recognizes the difficulty which early spiritual response poses for the church which is committed to believers' baptism. "Because the child who is being nurtured in the Christian community will make some religious response early, usually around the dawn of self-consciousness (ages three to five), it is difficult in actual practice to maintain the position of believers' baptism.

"While the first response usually results from religious impressions received and while religious experience is largely social throughout the entire period of childhood, yet the child will begin early to assume some moral responsibility within himself. This is the beginning of the development of conscience and does not indicate that the child is ready for conversion unless one thinks of conversion as a long gradual process beginning with first religious impressions and emotional response and ending with confirmation or baptism. And yet this early beginning of the development of conscience and of the acceptance of some moral responsibility is one of the reasons that believers' baptism is a difficult position" (Yoder: *op. cit.*, p. 2).

We hold to believers' baptism because that is what we believe the Scriptures teach. But we may, by our practice, undercut the meaning of that baptism. "In education we have made it easy for the child to respond prematurely. Furthermore, most commitments have been interpreted to mean conversion and readiness for baptism. This has brought to the surface a very significant but embarrassing problem. It has been raised by some educators and theologians in churches which practice infant baptism. The question is, 'How can churches that claim to practice believers' baptism exclusively baptize children younger than they can be confirmed in churches which practice infant baptism?' A second question, which sharpens the first, is frequently raised, 'Don't you want as much

to happen in believers' baptism as we want to happen in infant baptism and confirmation?' These are fair questions and they cannot be evaded. The believers' baptism churches owe the infant baptism churches an honest answer to these questions" (Ibid., p.6).

We should regard believers' baptism and admittance to church membership as at least as meaningful and demanding as the act of confirmation in the churches that practice infant baptism. This is why we should refuse to dilute or confuse its significance by baptizing and receiving into full membership those who cannot understand what these really mean and may not have actually experienced their essential pre-requisites.

"Because of the child's spiritual status there can be no hurry about baptism. Baptism cannot be used as a technique to hold youth. Baptism is meaningful, but it is never more than a symbol. It, of course, symbolizes the new birth. In believers' baptism the youth must be mature enough to make a free and independent decision. This decision can only be made in the light of other alternatives. Social pressure is not used as a technique in securing commitments. To use social pressure is to endanger the first principle of believers' baptism - that of freedom. Perhaps the youth cannot be free enough to make an independent decision much ahead of mental maturity" (Ibid., p. 163).

Many of our churches have had sad and difficult experiences with unbelieving or unfaithful adults on the church roll, who were received when they were very young. No one ought to prevent a child from coming to Jesus (Mark 10: 14), but no one ought to read credible evidence of regeneration into a childish profession, which may have no real repentance and no true transformation of life.

IV. Responsibilities of the Church Toward Members

A church has the following responsibilities toward its members:

(1) To promote the development of Christian character and conduct (Rom. 6:1-23; 12:9-21; 14:1; 15:7; Gal. 5:16-26; Eph. 4:22-5:21).

This is discipline in the full sense of the word - teaching and training in an atmosphere of love, with application of sanctions and punishment when necessary. Discipline always aims at the believer's good and growth.

(2) To maintain purity of life and doctrine among them (I Cor. 5:1-13; I Tim. 1:3-11; Titus 2:1-15; 3:1-11; Heb. 13:9; II John 10, 11; Jude 3, 4; Rev. 2:2, 14, 15, 20.).

Here again discipline is involved.

(3) To instruct and train them for Christian service and to give opportunity to serve (Rom. 12:1-8; I Cor. 12:1-31; Eph. 4:8-16)..

- (4) To help them in other relationships:
 - (a) The family (Eph. 5:22-6:4; I Pet. 3:1-7).
 - (b) The community and state (Rom. 13:1-7; I Pet. 2:13-17).
 - (c) Their employment (Eph. 6:5-9; I Pet. 3:18-21).
- (5) To promote hospitality (Heb. 13:2, 16; III John 5-8).
- (6) To bring comfort (II Cor. 1:3-7).
- (7) To promote harmony and unity (I Cor. 1:10-13; Eph. 4:3).
- (8) To care for its needy (Acts 6:1-8; I Tim. 5:3-16).
- (9) To settle disagreements (Matt. 18:15-20; I Cor. 6:1-8).

V. Responsibilities of Members Toward the Church

A person who becomes a member of a church has the following responsibilities toward his church:

- (1) To live in keeping with the doctrines and standards of the church (John 17:15-17; I Cor. 5:6-11; 6:14-18; Eph. 5:26, 27; Titus 3:10; II John 9, 10; James 1:26, 27).
- (2) To exercise willingly his spiritual gifts within the body (Eph. 4:11-16; I Cor. 12:4: 31; Rom. 12:3-8).
- (3) To minister under the direction of the church (Acts 20:28; Heb. 13:7; I Pet. 5:2, 3; I Tim. 3:1; 4:5; 5:17).
- (4) To bear the message of the church to the world outside (Matt. 28:19, 20; Acts 1:8; Matt. 5:13-16).
- (5) To pray for the ministries of the church (Rom. 10:1; Matt. 9:38; Acts 4:29; Eph. 6:18, 19; Acts 13:2-4).
- (6) To support the program of the church financially (Malachi 3:10; I Cor. 9:13, 14; 16:1, 2; II Cor. 8:7-9; 9:6, 7).
- (7) To submit to those whom God has ordained as rulers in the church (Heb. 13:17, 24; cf. also references under #3 above).
- (8) To attend faithfully the stated meeting of the church (Acts 2:42; Heb. 10:25).
- (9) To demonstrate mutual care and concern for the other members of the church (John 13:34; 15:12, 17; Gal. 6:1, 2, 10; James 5:9, 16).

VI Denominational Implications and Considerations

Bible Fellowship Churches exist in a relationship of interdependence, which includes mutual co-operation, subordination and respect. This relationship, which may be called by the modern word "denomination", has some implications for church membership practices.

Since we are known as a denomination and since there is a flow of members among the churches it is desirable to have a substantial agreement among the churches on the meaning of membership and the general criteria for receiving members. The committee hopes that there might be such general agreement with the conclusions of this study.

Since we are dealing with a number of particular churches, we recognize that there is, and must be, room for some differences in practices and peripheral matters. Just as individual believers are unique so local churches differ and each has its peculiar characteristics. The church and her gospel must engage with and speak to the culture and community in which she lives. Since churches differ and since communities differ, we might expect that practices and standards would differ somewhat from church to church. This is indeed the case, and is partly responsible for this study. In these peripheral matters, which are not of the essence of The Faith, we must allow latitude. Some of the statements of Romans 14, which apply to individual believers, might easily apply to churches too. "But thou, why dost thou judge thy (sister church)? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of God... So then each one of us shall give account of (herself) to God. Let us not therefore judge one another anymore... So let us follow after things which make for peace, and things whereby we may edify one another" (vv. 10, 12, 13, 18).

What we speak for, as desirable, then, is uniformity regarding principles but freedom and diversity regarding application of the principles and peripheral matters. Let us agree to disagree on the latter and have done with bickering. Let us recognize that there is real spiritual value in the local church's working out the application of the principles in her particular situation.

Now, with regard to transfer of members, mutual respect within the denominational relationship demands that every Bible Fellowship Church should be obligated to receive into its membership without question an applicant who is a member in good standing of another Bible Fellowship Church and comes with a letter of dismission from that church, indicating that he is being commended to his new church without reservation. To refuse so to accept the applicant would be to impugn the integrity, judgment and veracity of the sister church.

This committee recommends that we not have a uniform membership application form to be used by all Bible Fellowship

Churches. It is virtually certain that no one could devise a form that could be used with enthusiasm by all of our churches. Furthermore, it may be a good experience for a church to write its questionnaire and, periodically, to review and revise that form, if indeed it finds a form desirable.

The committee suggests that membership committees of local churches study and work with this report and then seek to apply its principles to the local needs.

The committee feels that, whether or not a questionnaire is used, it might be very beneficial to request the applicant for membership to write out a statement, giving in considerable detail a testimony of faith, both experience and belief, including a candid description of his trials and problems in the Christian life. This statement could then be considered and discussed with the applicant at his interview before the Membership Committee.

(Frank L. Herb, Jr., Chairman; Daniel G. Ziegler, Secretary; James G. Koch, Keith E. Plows, David J. Watkins, Committee).

REPORT TO THE 86th ANNUAL CONFERENCE CONCERNING ORDINATION

The Annual Conference in its 1966 meetings asked the Credentials Committee and Candidate Committee to submit a form for ordination that would reflect our understanding of Ordination of Ministers of the Word of God which was summarized in the statement approved by the Conference in 1965.

These two Committees have unanimously approved the following material and present it to you for your approval.

SUGGESTED FORM FOR ORDINATION OF MINISTERS

After all proper examinations and preparations have been made according to our rules and upon the approval of the Annual Conference at the recommendation of the Credentials Committee, the approved probationer shall be ready for public ordination to the Christian ministry. The Credentials Committee shall be responsible to make proper preparation for the ordination service. On the day appointed for the service of ordination, a minister shall preach a sermon adapted to the occasion. The Chairman of the Credentials Committee, or another member of the Committee, appointed by him, shall afterwards briefly cite the proceedings of the Committee in preparation for ordination and the importance of the occasion.

Then addressing himself to the candidate, he shall propose to him the following questions:

(1) Do you believe in one God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - and

do you confess anew the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour and Lord, and acknowledge Him Head over all things to the Church, which is His body?

- (2) Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the inspired Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and life?
- (3) Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures?
- (4) Will you endeavor to follow the government and discipline of the Bible Fellowship Church?
- (5) Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?
- (6) Have you been inwardly persuaded, as far as you know your own heart, to seek the office of the Christian ministry in response to God's call out of love for Him and a sincere desire to promote His glory in the gospel of His Son?
- (7) Do you engage to be zealous and faithful in maintaining the truths of the gospel and the purity and peace of the Church whatever persecution or opposition may arise unto you on that account?
- (8) Do you engage to be faithful and diligent in the exercise of all your duties as a Christian and a minister of the gospel both private and public endeavoring by the grace of God to feed the flock of which God shall make you overseer, to seek the salvation of the lost and to walk with exemplary piety before men?

The candidate, having answered these questions in the affirmative, shall kneel; he shall be solemnly set apart to the gospel ministry by the offering of prayer and the laying on of hands of ministers according to the apostolic example.

Prayer being ended, he shall rise from his knees; and the minister who presides shall take him by the right hand and say in effect:

(To Candidate): "We give you the right hand of fellowship to take part in this ministry with us."

(To Congregation): "I now pronounce that A. B. is ordained to the gospel ministry, according to the Word of God and the Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church; as such he is entitled to all support, encouragement, honor and obedience in the Lord. In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

Afterward all the ordained ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church present shall welcome the newly ordained brother to the

ministry with the right hand of fellowship.

Committee on Credentials

John H. Riggall, Chairman
Frank L. Herb, Jr. Secretary
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James A. Beil, Chairman
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REPORT OF THE PINEBROOK CONFERENCE BOARD

"The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

A year ago the Lord enabled the Bible Fellowship Church to take possession of Pinebrook. His abundant blessings have been in evidence during this time. Almost every week throughout the year reports were received concerning those who professed faith in Christ and others who made new spiritual commitments.

For the first time in our history we have had available facilities to accommodate a large number of people every week of the year and the response from the Bible Fellowship Churches and other conservative organizations has been a source of encouragement. Several groups shared the facilities with us during the summer, making a total of more than 1,000 registered guests in addition to those who came for a day or for individual services. Our Bible Fellowship Pastors together with nationally known evangelical speakers gave excellent Biblical messages which reached the hearts of those who attended. Two additional items which continually impressed our guests were the fine meals and the transformation of the facilities and grounds, which had taken place in such a brief time. A word of special thanks is due our Bethany Church in Hatfield for the many donated hours of labor given to enhance the beauty of Pinebrook with floral gardens and arrangements.

One of the most encouraging aspects at Pinebrook this initial year was the response from our Bible Fellowship Churches and others who conducted convocations for one or more days during the fall, winter and spring months. The Lord enabled us to contact many fine Christian leaders, so that week ends during the winter months were usually filled to near capacity. Our school moved to Pinebrook in September, requiring the use of four motel units for dormitories, offices and classrooms. The remaining rooms are already filled for all the week ends during the coming winter months. Those from Bible Fellowship Churches who desire to come to Pinebrook for activities during the winter of 1971 should make reservations as quickly as possible to avoid disappointments.

At the present time the Conference Board recognizes several urgent needs to properly continue this ministry. There is a

limitation in the number of locations presently available for holding meetings. During the winter months, especially when the weather is inclement, there are now almost no recreational areas remaining. It is hoped that plans can soon be completed to erect a multi-purpose building which can serve as an auditorium and partially as a gymnasium.

The Pinebrook Conference Board appreciates the many hundreds of hours of donated labor and material given by men, women, young people and Missionary Societies throughout our Bible Fellowship Church during the year to improve and operate our conference facilities. Construction costs, renovating and redecorating expenses for numerous projects were, through this cooperative effort, kept at a minimum. We are also deeply grateful for the gifts received from individuals and churches within and outside our Bible Fellowship Church.

FINANCIAL

Income:

Balance on Hand 10/7/68	\$	91.25
Board of Mizpah Grove		12,000.00
Insurance Refund		33.47
Church Contributions		195.00
Private Contributions		1,535.75
Youth Fellowship General Committee		127.00
Offerings (Missionary \$514.05)		4,151.40
Registrations and Meals		35,919.95
Convocations & Conferences		85,040.53
Commissions (Vending Mach. & Tel.)		163.02
Refund		300.25
Snack Shop		<u>4,062.28</u>
Total Income	\$	143,619.90

Expenditures:

Advertising (Printing \$1,669.87)	2,710.76
Athletic Equipment	393.43
Board Expenses (Meals & Mileage)	351.48
Electricity	1,904.39
Food	17,117.25
Fuel (Oil and Gas)	7,673.32
Honorariums (Including travel)	5,109.35
Insurance	310.78
Janitor Supplies	172.14
Kitchen Supplies	1,478.67
Laundry and Linen	758.47
Maintenance and Repairs:	
Hardware, Lumber, Paint, Carpentry	273.24
Plumbing, Heating, Electrical	1,013.05
New Construction	<u>11,145.98</u>

New Equipment	5,663.22
Office Supplies	1,019.78
Pool	1,018.05
Postage	133.00
Rental of Equipment	130.85
Taxes (Employer's Soc.Sec.)	276.46
Telephone	1,144.94
Trash Removal	209.00
Truck Expenses	67.40
Transfer To Pinebrook Service Board	39,000.00
Wages	40,707.87
Travel Expenses (Volunteer Workers)	750.46
Refund on Registrations	<u>190.00</u>

Total Expenditures	\$	140,723.34
Balance for Missionary Funds		514.05
Balance on Hand, Oct. 6, 1969		<u>2,382.51</u>
(Accounts audited by R. W. Gehret)	\$	<u>143,619.90</u>

Accounts Payable - None

Due from Pinebrook Service Board 16,809.20

(A. L. Seifert, Chairman; Ronald C. Mahurin, Secretary; Lee E. Boyles, Treasurer; Kermit K. Gehman, Norman W. Granda, John H. Riggall, Mark T. Smith, Board).

REPORT OF PINEBROOK SERVICE BOARD

Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, into the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel... Be strong and of good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I swear unto their fathers to give them. Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee:..." (Joshua 1:2, 6, 7a).

The Bible Fellowship Church took a similar step of faith when it purchased, then set foot upon the land at Pinebrook Labor Day 1968. It has endeavored not only to have God's truth proclaimed through all its ministries here, but also that it might adhere to the principles in His Word in its organizational and planning stages. Herewith is a composite resume of some of the major items transacted this past conference year - with the endeavor to place the decisions chronologically and yet to follow them through to completion whenever possible:

Before the Pinebrook Service Board's first meeting on November 15, 1968, the roof of the dining hall had its shingles replaced, and work was in progress at Honeybrook to convert the heating system to a hot air installation. This latter job was completed by early December. Insulation also was installed in the ceiling of the dining room and in several motels.

Two major areas were covered in the first meeting which was held November 15, 1968. The first consisted of organizing three committees: Finance: Jansen E. Hartman, Chairman; A. L. Seifert, Harry Bailey; Building and Grounds: George Herb, Chairman; James A. Beil, A. L. Seifert; Auxiliary Enterprises: Gerald Schlonecker, Chairman; Mark T. Smith, Raymond R. Dotts. The second involved initial steps beyond the organization of the above committees. This included action concerning insurance policies, the setting up of financial accounts, the making of preliminary plans for transferring the Mizpah Grove Board materials to this Board, and preparations for the impending move of Berean Bible School from Allentown to Pinebrook.

The December 3, 1968 meeting covered four major items: (1) preliminary plans were made to hire a Business Manager. The plans were consummated when John F. Moran, of the Denomination's Denville, New Jersey church, was hired on May 1, 1969. (2) A preliminary discussion was held concerning the need to have site consultants for overall planning. This matter was consummated in an April 15, 1969 meeting of the combined Boards - Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church, Board of Directors of the Berean Bible School, Pinebrook Service Board and Pinebrook Conference Board when they voted to hire Heyl and Treby Associates of Allentown, Pa. This group has since drawn up plans for the Overbrook Extension of Lounge and Library areas. (3) Authorization was given at this meeting to replace the heating system at Overbrook. The replacement was completed by the end of 1968. (4) The Berean Bible School listed their first specific requests as to buildings needed for their use beginning in September, 1969. The house formerly occupied by Richard Crawford was allocated for the President of the Berean Bible School, and Echobrook was to be studied as to possibilities in educational work. Since that time the house has been occupied by President Jansen E. Hartman, and Echobrook has been renovated and is being used for educational purposes, mainly classrooms. There is some work which remains to be done at this time, but the major work is completed.

It was decided at the February fourth meeting that all of Overbrook should be carpeted, and five rooms at Honeybrook. The latter were completed first, by the end of April, so that visitors of the Sunday School Convention could see what the renovated rooms would look like. Four of the rooms at Overbrook were carpeted in time for the opening of the Conference's Summer season. Also, concerning Overbrook, this unit was assigned to Berean Bible School at this meeting for use as dormitory and office facilities by the commencement of the school year in September, 1969. The remaining rooms of Overbrook have been carpeted since Labor Day, 1969. Another action taken at this meeting was a resolution that the house on the lake would be designated for use by the Business Manager. This meant that the house would need a new heating system and many other alternations. To date, the heating system and insulation on the top portions of the house have

been installed. Work remaining largely consists of putting insulation beneath the house and painting the interior.

Two major actions were taken at the February 18th meeting: (1) A resolution was passed that consideration should be given to erecting a multi-purpose auditorium which both the Conference and the Bible School could utilize. (2) The Berean Bible School received authorization to use the present chapel for class room and chapel services. The Pinebrook Junior College is now using this building as planned previously.

It was on March 11, 1969, that the Board requested the Pinebrook Conference Board to include in their planning of camp site plans for a building, with a laundry, rest rooms, and shower facilities. The building was completed to the extent that the rest and shower rooms could be partially used by the week before the Labor Day weekend. The building is not to be used during this coming winter season. Other actions this date concern the indoor and outdoor swimming pools. A resolution was passed that the outdoor pool should receive the necessary repairs so that it could be used during the summer season. Because of many difficulties, including health and safety regulations, the inferior condition of the pool and machinery thereto, it was used only sparingly during the summer. Another resolution requested that necessary repair work be done to the indoor pool. This pool has served effectively up to this time without many repairs except for the finding and repairing of a leak in the filtering system, but a recent new leakage has again brought the need for possibly replacing the filtering system, and authorization has been given that such repairs be made as soon as possible at the September 12, 1969, meeting.

A resolution was passed on March 24 that the Pinebrook Conference Board would have use of all facilities from the Saturday before July 4 through the Labor Day weekend, and during the remainder of the year they would have use of all facilities which do not conflict with the College's program. Also, on this date the College requested and received authority to utilize Nearbrook and Viewbrook for dormitory and office space after Labor Day.

Three significant actions were taken at the April 10, 1969 meeting: (1) The Board met with Frank W. Moyer, of Forgasi and Moyer, Incorporated, Civil Engineers. This group was later engaged to make a topographic survey via airplane, and their resultant air/photo has been in the hands of this Board since early summer. This survey was made to assist long-range planning as to sewage and drainage needs, etc. (2) The gracious offer by members of the Hatfield church to do landscaping was accepted at this meeting. All who have visited the grounds during the summer have remarked of the beautiful work which was done by this group; (3) The Building and Grounds Committee was authorized to have 75 picnic tables constructed. A member of the Stroudsburg church allowed his facilities to be used in the cutting and drilling of the lumber, and this permitted the construction of the same at a much

reduced cost - and the tables were completed by the Memorial Day Conference.

The May fifth meeting covered a report from the Sunday School Convention, a resolution concerning Overbrook, and housing for college personnel: (1) Over 400 adults and almost 100 children were fed at the Sunday School Convention which was held April 26. (2) A resolution was passed to have preliminary drawings made for an extension of the Overbrook lounge and basement areas for a library in the basement and dean of women's quarters on the rear of the main floor. The cost as per estimate of the contractors amounted to almost \$29,000. Since then, at the September 12 meeting, almost \$1,600 more was authorized for this same project for mahogany pre-finished paneling and a new suspended ceiling for the library area. The work in the library area is almost completed, but much work remains in the upstairs area: (3) A study was authorized for the placing of a trailer for the dean of men. At the September 12 meeting, authorization was placed for the purchase of a 43' x 20' Midway Mobile Home, one which is apparently acceptable with the township officials. The same would be placed in the grassy area west of the toboggan run if feasible.

New equipment was authorized for the Snack Shop at the May 19 meeting. This included an electric grill, deep fryers, bun warmer, exhaust fan, and accessories. The equipment was received and installed in time for the beginning of the summer season. A later resolution (June 23 meeting) to have sufficient air conditioning installed at the Snack Shop has not been carried because of the limited time to work on this project.

Two final actions are reported on the August fifth meeting: (1) Preliminary plans for renovating the kitchen area were authorized. These would include floor covering for approximately 2000 square feet, and new dishwasher with accessories, warming equipment, coffee urn, deep fryer, two rest room facilities, fire extinguishers and plumbing. Other fire protection was authorized at the September twelfth meeting: (2) The Business Manager was authorized to engage a bookkeeper/secretary - and the Pinebrook Conference Board was requested to pay a share of the cost. This latter Board has committed themselves to pay 1/3 of the salary.

Much free labor has been given by individuals from many churches throughout the year, which resulted in saving many thousands of dollars. The Board wants to express its appreciation for the fine cooperation received from so many and also thanks those individuals and churches who made financial contributions to Pinebrook this initial year.

FINANCIAL

Income:

Transfer from Mizpah Grove Board \$ 5,203.00

Church Contributions	1,239.50
Forward with Christ	20,360.50
Pinebrook Conference Board	39,000.00
Private Contributions	1,660.00
Convocations & Conferences	1,483.70
Board of Directors:	
Ministerial Con.	250.00
Conference Ent.	<u>640.35</u>
Snack Shop	1,500.00
Commissions (Vending Mach. & Tel.)	23.85
Meals	33.85
Sunday School Promotion Committee	25.00
Soil Diversion (Dept. of Agriculture)	<u>238.59</u>

Total Income \$ 71,658.34

Expenditures:

Athletic Equipment	\$ 37.76
Electricity	2,223.00
Food	14,471.30
Fuel (Oil and Gas)	2,124.77
Insurance	3,854.30
Janitorial Supplies	654.88
Kitchen Supplies	2,869.14
Laundry and Linen	787.23
Labor and Wages	6,590.70
Maintenance and Repairs:	
Hardware, Lumber, Paint	2,499.57
Plumbing, Heating, Electrical	269.24
Moving Expenses (Bus. Manager)	471.16
New Construction	19,686.85
New Equipment	11,357.13
Office Supplies	357.29
Pool	352.11
Postage	154.81
Rental of Equipment	498.81
Telephone	1,005.96
Trash Removal	642.00
Truck Expenses	389.37
Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>94.33</u>
Total Expenditures	\$ 71,391.71
Balance on Hand, October 2, 1969	266.63
	<u><u>71,658.34</u></u>
Accounts Receivable	\$ 5,623.19
Due from Board of Dir.	11,043.98

Accounts Payable \$ 8,310.20
(Accounts audited by R. W. Gehret)

(Mark T. Smith, Secretary; A. L. Seifert, Harry Bailey, James A. Beil, Gerald Schlonecker, George E. Herb, Jansen E. Hartman, Board).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDITING

The Committee on Auditing has examined the financial reports and accounts of the following:

Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church
Board of Church Extension
Ministers' Retirement Fund
Conference Treasurer
Beneficiary Society
Committee on Publication and Printing

Due to the complexity of procedures used for some of these accounts and to the lack of time and of supporting information needed to conduct a thorough audit, the Committee request that the above boards and committees have their accounts audited prior to Annual Conference in accordance with our By-laws, Rule S. page L, 1968 Yearbook.

The Committee verified the accuracy of the financial reports of the following boards and committees whose accounts had been audited or examined by designated individuals prior to Annual Conference.

Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church Home
Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College
Board of Foreign Missions
Pinebrook Bible Conference Board
Board of Victory Valley
Committee to Publish FELLOWSHIP NEWS
Sunday School Promotion Committee
Youth Fellowship General Committee
Pinebrook Service Board

In the opinion of the Committee, all reports accurately represent the accounts and all accounts appear to be in satisfactory condition.

(Horace A. Kauffman, Roger S. Bowne, William R. Hunsberger, R. Paul Schaeffer, Donald R. Knauer, Leon H. Naudasher, Norman L. Reed, Committee.)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS

We have received communications from missionaries Olive I. Rawn, Austin Shelly, and George Lee, as well as from Walter Frank, C. Leslie Miller and Harold D. Yarrington, all indicating concern for the deliberations of this Annual Conference and their regret of being absent.

We express our gratitude to all who have communicated with the Annual Conference. We thank God for these choice servants who labor faithfully for Jesus Christ in their respective spheres of service and pray that the consciousness of His presence and power may continually be theirs.

(William A. Heffner, Chairman; Bruce A. Ellingson, Secretary; Bert N. Brosius, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., John H. Riggall, Com.).

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

CHURCH	FOREIGN MISSIONS	FOREIGN MISSIONS IN SUNDAY SCHOOL	CHURCH EXTENSION	CHURCH EXTENSION IN SUNDAY SCHOOL	TOTAL
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent					
Allentown(Bethel)	18,800.00		6,300.00		25,100.00
Allentown(C. Crest)	5,160.00				5,160.00
Allentown(Salem)	866.66		200.00		1,066.66
Bethlehem	17,850.00		3,209.00		21,059.00
Blandon	1,000.00		200.00		1,200.00
Catasauqua	300.00		100.00		400.00
Coopersburg	3,000.00		500.00		3,500.00
Denville, N. J.	550.95		550.95		1,101.90
Easton	800.00		100.00		900.00
Emmaus	6,500.00		2,000.00		8,500.00
Ephrata	1,000.00		200.00		1,200.00
Fleetwood	2,900.00		2,200.00		5,100.00
Graterford	3,581.23		850.00		4,431.23
Harleysville	1,500.00		200.00		1,700.00
Harrisburg	2,684.00	369.00	762.00	310.00	4,125.00
Hatfield	9,500.00		4,000.00		13,500.00
Lancaster	1,672.00		776.00		2,448.00
Lebanon	750.00		225.00		975.00
Leighton	400.00				400.00
Maple Glen	1,050.00		900.00		1,950.00
Mt. Carmel	2,207.00	2,793.00	1,000.00		6,000.00
Nazareth	2,525.00		1,272.25		3,797.25
Paradise	700.00				700.00
Phila., (Calvary)	2,000.00		750.00		2,750.00
Phila., (Emmanuel)	1,600.00		100.00		1,700.00
Quakertown	2,500.00		2,500.00		5,000.00
Reading	4,885.98		2,330.01		7,215.99
Royersford	3,500.00		1,200.00		4,700.00
Scranton	587.26		250.24		837.50
Shamokin	4,820.42		800.00		5,620.42
Sinking Spring	1,039.82				1,039.82
Spring City	2,250.00		500.00		2,750.00
Staten Island, N.Y.	500.00		300.00		800.00
Stroudsburg	825.00		200.00		1,025.00
Sunbury	2,635.00	1,230.00	817.00	346.00	5,028.00
Terre Hill	3,500.00		1,000.00		4,500.00
Wallingford	8,000.00		3,000.00		11,000.00
York	8,800.00		1,250.00		10,050.00
Zionsville	790.00	485.49	400.00		1,675.49
Total	133,531.32	4,877.49	40,942.45	656.00	180,006.26
Church Ex. Dep't., Daniel G. Ziegler, Interim Director					
Belvidere, N. J.	580.00				580.00
Finesville, N. J.	156.00				156.00
Macungie	542.88				542.88
Miller Heights	360.00				360.00
Walnutport	300.00				300.00
Total	1,938.88				1,938.88
GRAND TOTALS	135,469.20	4,877.49	40,942.45	656.00	181,945.14
Increase	15,631.50				13,732.01
Decrease		1,130.68	398.52	370.29	

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS

Record

Conference Superintendent	1
Ordained Ministers	46
Probationers	11
Official Board Members	385
Deacons	5

Pastors' Activities

Sermons preached	5,215
Pastoral Visits	15,429
Baptized	180
Children dedicated	91
Weddings	64
Funerals	144

Membership

Received into Church Fellowship	212
Received by transfer from B.F.Churches	49
Total increase	261
Died	62
Withdrawn	28
Dropped	48
Transferred to B. F. Churches	59
Transferred to other churches	46
Total decrease	243
Net increase	18
Total membership	4,532

Sunday Schools

Staff members enrolled	970
Members enrolled	7,044
Total enrollment	8,014
Total average attendance	5,900
Cradle roll members	319
Home department members	192

Church Property

Churches	45
Parsonages	44
Increase valuation of church property	\$ 435,883.
Present valuation of church property	6,067,989.

Offerings

Total income	\$ 1,223,807.
Total offerings	1,185,980.

Disbursements - Benevolences

Conference Administrative Budget	28,997.
Foreign Missions	135,469.
Foreign Missions in Sunday School	4,877.
Church Extension	40,943.
Church Extension in Sunday School	656.
Home for the Aging	4,789.
B. F. Conference Center	5,763.
Pinebrook Junior College	31,787.
Sunday School Promotion Committee	1,102.
Youth Fellowship General Committee	369.
Victory Valley	5,825.
Special Foreign Missions in Sunday Schools	508.

Disbursements

Ministers in Cash	228,289.
Ministers' Supplemental Benefits	15,861.
Sunday Schools	62,981.
Christian Education	19,336.
Parsonage or Building Fund	66,623.
Reduction of Indebtedness	185,713.
Local Benevolent Fund	4,463.
Local Youth Fellowship	6,486.
Local Missions	9,077.
Women's Missionary Societies	11,276.
Adult Fellowship	2,305.
Annual Conference Delegate	4,133.
Radio	2,785.
General Disbursements	381,390.
Library	294.

Total Disbursements	\$1,262,835.
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Additional Statistics

Ministers in other Contributions	11,672.
Women's Missionary Societies (Donated materials)	4,704.

(Willard E. Cassel, LeRoy S. Heller, John Dunn, Donald T. Kirkwood, Committee).

CHURCH	PASTOR	Pastor's Activities										
		Conference Sup't.	Ordained Ministers	Probationers	Official Board Members	Deacons	Sermons Preached	Pastoral Visits	Baptized	Children Dedicated	Weddings	Funerals
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent												
Allentown(Bethel)	Carl C. Cassel	6		12			84	420	2	4	1	6
Allentown(C. Crest)	Robert E. Salzman(s)		1	13	3		90	190	3	2	2	2
Allentown(Salem)	Willard E. Cassel	2		7			89	218				2
Bethlehem	Frank L. Herb, Jr.	1	2	20			137	525		1	2	8
Blandon	Donald T. Kirkwood	2		10			90	317	2			1
Catasauqua	Brian H. Butler		1	5			88	240			1	2
Coopersburg	LeRoy S. Heller	1		10			149	539	7	2	2	4
Denville, N. J.	M. Leslie Campbell	1		7	2		126	324	1			
Easton	Paul B. Kuder	2	7	86			190	3	1	1	5	
Emmaus	Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.	1		12			117	535	17	2	4	3
Ephrata	Robert W. Smock	2	9	130			300	10	2	2	3	
Fleetwood	George E. Herb	1	9	108			244		5		2	
Graterford	David J. Watkins	2	12	120			385	15	1	2	4	
Harleysville	D. E. Thomann	1	10	115			310	10	1		1	
Harrisburg	R. C. Reichenbach	4	10	154			394	4	5	3	5	
Hatfield	Ronald C. Mahurin	1	12	116			377	3	5		5	
Lancaster	John Dunn	1	9	121			551	6	2	1	5	
Lebanon	Bruce A. Ellingson	1	9	91			495	3	3	1	5	
Leighton	Arthur Frable (s)		1	8			82	210				7
Maple Glen	William Franklin (s)		1	6			95	245	6			1
Mt. Carmel	Carl K. Spackman (s)		1	8			111	230		2	2	6
Nazareth	James A. Beil	2	9	85			405	13	11	2	1	
Paradise	William A. Heffner	1	7	126			275	11		2		
Phila., (Calvary)	Keith E. Plows	1	7	75			396	5		1	2	
Phila., (Emmanuel)	Paul G. Zimmerman		1	6			96	262		2		2
Quakertown	Donald R. Knauer	1	10	122			566	10	3	5	5	
Reading	James G. Koch	1	14	175			335	2	5	1	7	
Royersford	Robert F. Johnson	1	9	37			433	10	2	3	4	
Scranton	LeRoy C. Wilcox		1	6			410	5	5	1	3	
Shamokin	W. W. Hartman	1	9	90			350		3	4	8	
Sinking Spring	Terris Byrd (s)		1	6			116	302	8	1	1	2
Spring City	Bert N. Brosius	1	9	119			321		1	1	3	
Staten Island, N.Y.	Daniel G. Ziegler	2	6	115			315	4	1			
Stroudsburg	Mark T. Smith		1	6			127	358				2
Sunbury	William W. Mull		1	12			95	270	10	3	10	10
Terre Hill	Leon K. Overpeck	1	8	127			289		1		2	
Wallingford	C. E. Kirkwood	1	13	109			457		6		6	
York	John H. Riggall	1	13	150			534		1	3	4	
Zionsville	E. W. Bean	1	9	94			292		2	1	1	
Total		1	45	10	364	5	4387	13809	170	86	60	139
Church Extension Dept., Daniel G. Ziegler, Interim Director												
Belvidere, N. J.	John H. Herb		1	7			182	391	6		2	1
Finesville, N. J.	Ronald Jansen			4			230	316			2	2
Macungie	Norman R. Weiss						95	486		3		
Miller Heights	Donald Barnhart		1	5			130	179				
Millersville												
Walnutport	David Branning			1	5		133	248	4	2		2
Total			1	2	21		828	1620	10	5	4	5
GRAND TOTALS		1	46	12	385	5	5215	15429	180	91	64	144

CHURCH	Received into Church Fellowship	Received by trans. from B. F. Churches	Total Increase	Membership						Total decrease	Net Increase	Net Decrease	Total Members
				Died	Withdrawn	Dropped	Transferred to B. F. Churches	Transferred to Other Churches					
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent													
Allentown(Bethel)	5	2	7	3	3	4	5	3	18		11	288	
Allentown(C. Crest)	3		3	3				3	6		3	107	
Allentown(Salem)								1	1		1	76	
Bethlehem	3	2	5	5			1		6		1	270	
Blandon	3	4	7	1					1	6		97	
Catasauqua	2		2	2	8		6		16		14	34	
Coopersburg	10		10	3		4		1	8	2		145	
Denville, N. J.	5		5				3	2	5			54	
Easton	5		5	3	2	10			15		10	69	
Emmaus	10	3	13	1				5	6	7		207	
Ephrata	8		8				1	2	3	5		59	
Fleetwood	2		2	1					4		2	151	
Graterford	21		21	1					1	20		95	
Harleysville	12	2	14	1		1	1		3	11		96	
Harrisburg	3		3	1	1				2	1		134	
Hatfield	6		6	2					2	4		151	
Lancaster	17	10	17	1					1	16		100	
Lebanon	4		4	1					1	3		60	
Lehighton				2				3	5		5	60	
Maple Glen	7		7	1			2		3	4		71	
Mt. Carmel				2			1	1	4		4	94	
Nazareth	7		7	1		4			5	2		111	
Paradise	8	3	11				2		2	9		52	
Phila., (Calvary)	7	2	7	1				1	2	5		71	
Phila., (Emmanuel)	2		2	1				2	3		1	33	
Quakertown	7	4	7	2			2	1	5	2		153	
Reading	2	1	3	2					2	1		292	
Royersford	9		9	2		2			4	5		102	
Scranton	1		1	1			1		2		1	63	
Shamokin	2		2	3		3	1		7		5	131	
Sinking Spring	8		8	1	4		1		6	2		57	
Spring City	9		9	1	5		2		8	1		91	
Staten Island, N.Y.				1	1			1	3		3	37	
Stroudsburg	2	3	5	1	2				3	2		32	
Sunbury	25	4	29	6				6	12	17		232	
Terre Hill		2	2	1	2	1	3		7		5	72	
Wallingford	6		6	1					1	5		213	
York				2		1		2	5		5	183	
Zionsville				1					1		1	49	
Total	204	43	247	61	28	31	32	37	189	130	72	4392	
Church Extension Dep't. Daniel G. Ziegler, Interim Director													
Belvidere, N. J.	4		4							4		20	
Finesville, N. J.												33	
Macungie						11	10	5	26		26		
Miller Heights	1	2	3	1			2	4	7		4	34	
Millersville						6	14		20		20		
Walnutport	3	4	7				1		1	6		53	
Total	8	6	14	1	17	27	9	54	10	50		140	
GRAND TOTALS	212	49	261	62	28	48	59	46	243	140	122	4532	

CHURCH	Sunday Schools						Church Property				
	Staff Members	Members	Total Enrollment	Total average Attendance	Cradle Roll Members	Home Dep't. Members	Churches	Parsonages	Increase of Church Property	Decrease of Church Property	Present Valuation of Church Props.
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent											
Allentown(Bethel)	56	367	423	305	39	18	1	1	45,000.		295,000.
Allentown(C. Crest)	33	213	246	171	8		1	1			250,000.
Allentown(Salem)	15	157	172	112			1	1	5,000.		60,000.
Bethlehem	46	244	290	223			1	1	125,000.		325,000.
Blandon	22	198	220	170			1	1			42,000.
Catasauqua	12	90	102	69			2	1			35,000.
Coopersburg	18	112	130	103		6	2	1			207,000.
Denville, N. J.	18	130	148	102			1	1	20,000.		110,000.
Easton	15	103	118	93		3	1	1	20,000.		120,000.
Emmaus	36	279	315	250	6	9	1	1			231,000.
Ephrata	18	146	164	93	28	11	1	1	15,000.		115,000.
Fleetwood	33	265	298	217	5	3	1	1			200,000.
Graterford	25	266	291	206			1	2	20,000.		113,000.
Harleysville	25	149	174	120	5		1	1			150,000.
Harrisburg	24	219	243	179	8		1	1			90,000.
Hatfield	36	242	278	192	9	65	1	1			137,000.
Lancaster	25	198	223	165	3	7	1	1	8,000.		80,000.
Lebanon	18	121	139	108	7	3	1	1	9,100.		38,100.
Lehighton	15	107	122	91	11		1	1	10,000.		48,000.
Maple Glen	12	104	116	65			1	1			182,500.
Mt. Carmel	16	112	128	85	10		1	1			25,000.
Nazareth	24	183	207	156	23		1	1			99,000.
Paradise	17	155	172	114	1		1	1	16,000.		60,000.
Phila., (Calvary)	19	110	129	95	5		1	1			90,000.
Phila., (Emmanuel)	16	96	112	86	8		1	1			70,000.
Quakertown	26	184	210	160	13		1	1			100,000.
Reading	56	335	391	291	19	11	1	1	100,000.		300,000.
Royersford	17	170	187	140	2		1	1	119,000.		190,000.
Scranton	16	97	113	77			1	1	5,000.		45,000.
Shamokin	26	163	189	152	7		1	1			52,000.
Sinking Spring	13	88	101	82			1	1			55,000.
Spring City	20	164	184	134	9		1	1	10,000.		160,000.
Staten Island, N.Y.	12	92	104	84			1	1			67,000.
Stroudsburg	9	41	50	47			1	1	2,000.		26,000.
Sunbury	32	305	337	258	28	20	1	1	25,000.		100,000.
Terre Hill	22	122	144	112	20	30	1	1			67,200.
Wallingford	41	315	356	251	24		1	2	95,000.		325,000.
York	32	299	331	231	14		1	1			100,000.
Zionsville	16	53	69	62			1	1			33,000.
Total	932	6794	7726	5651	312	186	41	40	649,100.		4,792,800.
Church Extension Dep't., Daniel G. Ziegler, Interim Director											
Belvidere, N. J.	9	75	84	68		4	1	1			75,000.
Finesville, N. J.	8	45	53	37		1	1	1		10,000.	24,800.
Macungie				40						46,000.	
Miller Heights	10	57	67	42	4		1	1			28,000.
Millersville										54,500.	
Walnutport	11	73	84	62	3	1	1	1			18,500.
Total	38	250	288	249	7	6	4	4		110,500.	146,300.
D. S. Parsonage									889.		22,697.
C. E. Dir. Parsonage											16,000.
Home for the Aging									2,500.		270,500.
Closed Church Props.									50,336.		50,336.
Camp Properties											
Upper Macungie										236,004.	
Victory Valley									46,782		133,756.
Pinebrook									48,310.		513,130.
Berean Bible School										15,530.	122,470.
GRAND TOTALS	970	7044	8014	5900	319	192	45	44	797,917.	362,034.	6,067,989.

CHURCH	Disbursements - Benevolences				
	Total Income	Total Offerings	Conference Administrative Budget	Foreign Missions	Foreign Missions in Sunday School
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent					
Allentown (Bethel)	85,471.	84,607.	1,800.	18,800.	
Allentown (C. Crest)	43,476.	43,476.	600.	5,160.	
Allentown (Salem)	14,815.	14,745.	350.	866.	
Bethlehem	72,857.	72,327.	2,160.	17,850.	
Blandon	20,574.	20,574.	500.	1,000.	
Catasauqua	12,377.	12,377.	494.	300.	
Coopersburg	30,948.	30,948.	800.	3,000.	
Denville, N. J.	20,286.	20,028.	300.	550.	
Easton	14,432.	14,432.	300.	800.	
Emmaus	54,750.	51,492.	1,500.	6,500.	
Ephrata	18,660.	18,660.	100.	1,000.	
Fleetwood	33,727.	33,727.	862.	2,900.	
Graterford	38,725.	38,611.	487.	3,581.	
Harleysville	27,414.	27,414.	400.	1,500.	
Harrisburg	26,456.	26,056.	775.	2,684.	369.
Hatfield	49,305.	48,504.	1,997.	9,500.	
Lancaster	27,125.	27,125.	500.	1,672.	
Lebanon	17,395.	17,318.	380.	750.	
Lehighton	12,450.	12,058.	433.	400.	
Maple Glen	26,713.	24,934.	890.	1,050.	
Mt. Carmel	20,001.	20,001.	696.	2,207.	2,793.
Nazareth	29,997.	28,208.	540.	2,525.	
Paradise	16,695.	15,695.	703.	700.	
Phila., (Calvary)	21,053.	21,027.	550.	2,000.	
Phila., (Emmanuel)	14,570.	14,570.	376.	1,600.	
Quakertown	35,527.	33,926.	1,104.	2,500.	
Reading	45,174.	45,174.	1,920.	4,885.	
Royersford	45,046.	43,842.	650.	3,500.	
Scranton	15,655.	10,513.	525.	587.	
Shamokin	20,132.	20,027.	480.	4,820.	
Sinking Spring	15,231.	15,231.	223.	1,039.	
Spring City	31,928.	31,000.	600.	2,250.	
Staten Island, N.Y.	16,558.	14,279.	300.	500.	
Stroudsburg	12,127.	10,209.	252.	825.	
Sunbury	35,505.	35,303.	1,400.	2,635.	1,230.
Terre Hill	23,887.	23,887.	700.	3,500.	
Wallingford	71,718.	71,718.	1,200.	8,000.	
York	37,861.	37,861.	850.	8,800.	
Zionsville	11,840.	11,840.	300.	790.	485.
Total	1,168,461.	1,143,324.	28,997.	133,530.	4,877.
Church Extension Dep't., Daniel G. Ziegler, Interim Director					
Belvidere, N. J.	14,337.	* 11,489.		580.	
Finesville, N. J.	9,545.	* 8,529.		156.	
Macungie	9,445.	* 5,810.		542.	
Miller Heights	8,731.	* 6,065.		360.	
Millersville	2,900.	* 1,875.			
Walnutport	10,388.	* 8,888.		300.	
Total	55,346.	42,656.		1,938.	
GRAND TOTAL	1,223,807.	1,185,980.	28,997.	135,469.	4,877.

* Includes approp. from Brd. of C. E.

CHURCH	Disbursements - Benevolences					
	Church Extension	Church Extension in Sunday School	Home for the Aging	Bible Fellowship Con. Center	Pinebrook Jr. College	Sunday School Promotion Committee
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent						
Allentown (Bethel)	6,300.		100.		3,075.	50.
Allentown (C. Crest)					200.	
Allentown (Salem)	200.		25.		150.	5.
Bethlehem	3,209.		300.		1,835.	
Blandon	200.		25.		150.	10.
Catasauqua	100.		15.		200.	15.
Coopersburg	500.		25.		450.	20.
Denville, N. J.	550.		55.	434.	551.	54.
Easton	100.		40.		300.	5.
Emmaus	2,000.		1,000.		2,000.	50.
Ephrata	200.		30.	65.	100.	10.
Fleetwood	2,200.		40.	1,000.	1,000.	25.
Graterford	850.		30.		720.	25.
Harleysville	200.		50.		300.	10.
Harrisburg	762.	310.	108.		272.	50.
Hatfield	4,000.		200.		2,500.	50.
Lancaster	776.		25.		776.	25.
Lebanon	225.		30.		300.	10.
Lehighton			15.		50.	25.
Maple Glen	900.		20.	480.	525.	15.
Mt. Carmel	1,000.		180.		840.	20.
Nazareth	1,272.		525.		400.	20.
Paradise					150.	15.
Phila., (Calvary)	750.		50.		950.	20.
Phila., (Emmanuel)	100.		20.	428.	300.	20.
Quakertown	2,500.		60.		1,500.	30.
Reading	2,330.		931.	2,602.	3,022.	223.
Royersford	1,200.		50.		1,040.	30.
Scranton	250.		35.	251.	250.	25.
Shamokin	800.		86.		371.	35.
Sinking Spring			15.		65.	5.
Spring City	500.		90.	139.	600.	15.
Staten Island, N.Y.	300.		29.	364.	210.	10.
Stroudsburg	200.		20.		300.	10.
Sunbury	817.	346.	45.		1,177.	25.
Terre Hill	1,000.		200.		2,004.	50.
Wallingford	3,000.		50.		2,500.	25.
York	1,250.		50.		500.	25.
Zionsville	400.		110.		154.	10.
Total	40,942.	656.	4,679.	5,763.	31,787.	1,067.
Church Extension Dep't., Daniel G. Ziegler, Interim Director						
Belvidere, N. J.			10.		150.	5.
Finesville, N. J.					50.	
Macungie			100.			15.
Miller Heights					95.	5.
Millersville						
Walnutport					150.	10.
Total			110.		445.	35.
GRAND TOTALS	40,942.	656.	4,789.	5,763.	32,232.	1,102.

CHURCH	Disbursements					
	Y. F. General Committee	Victory Valley	Special Foreign Miss. in Sunday School	Ministers in Cash	Ministers' Supplemental Benefits	Sunday School
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent						
Allentown (Bethel)	50.	500.		7,500.		3,842.
Allentown (C. Crest)		82.		5,500.		1,122.
Allentown (Salem)	5.	35.		4,550.	120.	857.
Bethlehem		350.		6,300.	1,598.	2,750.
Blandon	10.	25.		5,040.	725.	1,740.
Catasauqua	15.	20.		4,760.		527.
Coopersburg	5.	50.		5,500.	250.	1,134.
Denville, N. J.		18.		5,200.	430.	712.
Easton	5.	25.		5,000.		688.
Emmaus	5.	1,000.		6,633.	1,389.	2,853.
Ephrata	5.	10.		5,760.		1,353.
Fleetwood		100.		6,070.		1,912.
Graterford	10.	75.		5,608.	1,200.	1,428.
Harleysville	5.	75.		4,524.	888.	1,139.
Harrisburg	5.	55.	508.	5,268.		1,910.
Hatfield	25.	350.		6,000.	829.	1,754.
Lancaster	5.	25.		5,689.	753.	
Lebanon	10.	60.		4,600.	150.	1,034.
Lehighton		25.		4,500.		990.
Maple Glen	10.	50.		5,631.	152.	377.
Mt. Carmel		100.		4,810.	143.	1,600.
Nazareth	5.	75.		5,400.		1,062.
Paradise		50.		4,558.		1,075.
Phila., (Calvary)		100.		5,250.	300.	886.
Phila., (Emmanuel)	5.	20.		4,575.		902.
Quakertown	15.	200.		5,250.	1,015.	1,356.
Reading	25.	298.		6,737.	1,200.	4,180.
Royersford	5.	130.		6,550.	246.	1,061.
Scranton		25.		4,744.		645.
Shamokin	5.	41.		4,500.		1,741.
Sinking Spring	5.	15.		3,610.	152.	477.
Spring City	5.	90.		4,680.	856.	725.
Staten Island, N.Y.	15.	20.		4,550.	65.	524.
Stroudsburg	10.	10.		2,880.		320.
Sunbury	5.	25.		6,000.	1,350.	9,993.
Terre Hill	5.	200.		5,500.		1,644.
Wallingford	25.	1,125.		7,700.	800.	1,828.
York	25.	60.		5,700.	1,200.	2,300.
Zionsville	10.	77.		3,470.	50.	928.
Total	335.	5,591.	508.	206,097.	15,861.	61,369.
Church Extension Dep't., Daniel G. Ziegler, Interim Director						
Belvidere, N. J.	5.	5.		4,500.		317.
Finesville, N. J.				4,500.		429.
Macungie	24.	80.		3,924.		811.
Miller Heights	5.	30.		4,048.		
Millersville				720.		55.
Walnutport		119.		4,500.		
Total	34.	234.		22,192.		1,612.
GRAND TOTALS	369.	5,825.	508.	228,289.	15,861.	62,981.

CHURCH	Disbursements					Local Missions
	Christian Education	Parsonage or Building Fund	Reduction of Indebtedness	Local Benevolent Fund	Local Youth Fellowship	
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent						
Allentown (Bethel)	1,762.		13,510	61.	433.	
Allentown (C. Crest)		1,200.	10,530.	269.		30.
Allentown (Salem)	126.		2,700.		15.	100.
Bethlehem	249.	25,163.		65.	215.	1,340.
Blandon	163.		917.	18.	241.	
Catasauqua			613.		26.	
Coopersburg	239.		11,588.	367.	65.	346.
Denville, N. J.	605.	1,281.	5,066.	650.		
Easton	292.		762.			60.
Emmaus	1,701.		10,795.	45.	355.	
Ephrata	160.		3,144.		34.	80.
Fleetwood	296.	1,389.	8,822.	69.	86.	199.
Graterford	635.	12,650.	5,497.		317.	
Harleysville	115.	4,946.	8,933		100.	
Harrisburg	130.			182.	46.	75.
Hatfield	1,732.		3,944	1,200.	299.	1,202.
Lancaster	1,306.		6,498.	50.	62.	225.
Lebanon	38.	5,712.		116.	82.	129.
Lehighton	180.		815.		118.	
Maple Glen	334.	2,214.	2,595.	20.	10.	
Mt. Carmel					21.	
Nazareth	1,163.	1,134.	5,702.	80.		225.
Paradise	846.	2,214.	1,298.	25.	98.	
Phila., (Calvary)	109.		2,613.	55.		266.
Phila., (Emmanuel)	111.		899.	182.	184.	
Quakertown	629.		9,991.		100.	
Reading	321.		6,987.	42.	547.	
Royersford		2,054.	26,088.		98.	845.
Scranton			228.		134.	
Shamokin	28.			17.	291.	301.
Sinking Spring			2,499.	104.		
Spring City	989.		11,311.		45.	756.
Staten Island, N.Y.	262.		3,228.	162.	289.	335.
Stroudsburg	60.	3,119.		20.		
Sunbury	379.	1,240.			113.	1,190.
Terre Hill	327.			35.	71.	
Wallingford	1,533.		8,610.	296.	1,436.	1,063.
York	700.			100.	350.	610.
Zionsville	155.	1,103.	1,547.		60.	
Total	17,675.	65,419.	177,730.	4,230.	6,341.	9,377.
Church Extension Dep't., Daniel G. Ziegler, Interim Director						
Belvidere, N. J.	400.	904.	3,590.	83.	47.	
Finesville, N. J.		300.		64.	49.	
Macungie			1,206.			
Miller Heights	495.		1,782.		49.	
Millersville			937.			
Walnutport	766.		468.	86.		
Total	1,661.	1,204.	7,983.	233.	145.	
GRAND TOTALS	19,336.	66,623.	185,713.	4,463.	6,486.	9,077.

CHURCH	Disbursements					
	Women's Mission- ary Society	Adult Fellowship	Annual Conference Delegate	Radio	General Disbursements	Library
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent						
Allentown(Bethel)	1,534.		175.	1,797.	37,454.	
Allentown(C. Crest)	300.		100.		18,338.	
Allentown(Salem)	317.		120.		5,196.	
Bethlehem	1075.		100.		8,430.	
Blandon	58.		100.		4,945.	294.
Catasauqua	120.		100.		6,001.	
Coopersburg	245.	112.	125.		6,568.	
Denville, N. J.	174.		100.		5,786.	
Easton	33.		80.		5,123.	
Emmaus	900.		225.		16,979.	
Ephrata	37.		100.		7,364.	
Fleetwood	152.		100.		6,342.	
Graterford	271.	279.	100.		12,394.	
Harleysville	150.		60.		5,222.	
Harrisburg	474.		140.		5,731.	
Hatfield	68.	749.	100.		11,223.	
Lancaster	167.		100.		2,982.	
Lebanon			80.		3,904.	
Lehighnton	24.		75.		4,180.	
Maple Glen	516.	146.	75.		9,019.	
Mt. Carmel	146.		100.		4,026.	
Nazareth	442.		100.		5,759.	
Paradise	30.	110.	85.		3,344.	
Phila., (Calvary)	114.	128.	70.		3,613.	
Phila., (Emmanuel)	640.		100.		4,624.	
Quakertown	300.		100.		7,148.	
Reading			115.	891.	13,588.	
Royersford	191.		110.		33,678.	
Scranton	194.		35.		2,703.	
Shamokin	269.		123.		5,758.	
Sinking Spring	181.		85.		5,389.	
Spring City	201.	119.	125.		7,431.	
Staten Island, N.Y.	24.		100.		7,070.	
Stroudsburg	267.		70.	57.	2,074.	
Sunbury	277.		100.	40.	23,854.	
Terre Hill	152.		150.		5,539.	
Wallingford	408.	662.	150.		31,807.	
York	400.		160.		14,638.	
Zionsville	163.		100.		1,805.	
Total	11,014.	2,305.	4,133.	2,785.	367,029.	294.
Church Extension Dep't., Daniel G. Ziegler, Interim Director						
Belvidere, N. J.	48.				3,220.	
Finesville, N. J.					2,858.	
Macungie	101.				2,368.	
Miller Heights	42.				2,151.	
Millersville					1,188.	
Walnutport	71.				2,576.	
Total	262.				14,361.	
GRAND TOTALS	11,276.	2,305.	4,133.	2,785.	381,390.	294.

CHURCH	Total Disbursements	Add. Stat.	
		Ministers in Other Contr.	Women's Missionary Society (Donated)
A. L. Seifert, Conference Superintendent			
Allentown(Bethel)	98,743.	500.	2,846.
Allentown(C. Crest)	43,431.		
Allentown(Salem)	15,737.		
Bethlehem	72,989.	600.	
Blandon	16,161.	125.	
Catasauqua	13,306.	150.	
Coopersburg	31,389.	328.	137.
Denville, N J.	22,516.	250.	600.
Easton	13,613.	360.	
Emmaus	55,930.	600.	
Ephrata	19,552.	600.	
Fleetwood	33,564.	238.	
Graterford	46,157.	140.	
Harleysville	28,617.	171.	
Harrisburg	19,854.	248.	
Hatfield	47,722.	300.	100.
Lancaster	21,636.	421.	
Lebanon	17,610.	450.	
Lehighton	11,830.	135.	35.
Maple Glen	25,029.		
Mt. Carmel	18,682.	280.	105.
N zareth	26,429.	55.	50.
Paradise	15,301.	300.	
Phila., (Calvary)	17,824.	335.	22.
Phila., (Emmanuel)	15,086.	93.	60.
Quakertown	33,798.	100.	
Reading	50,844.	525.	
Royersford	77,526.	557.	95.
Scranton	10,631.	200.	65.
Shamokin	19,666.	450.	183.
Sinking Spring	13,864.	135.	
Spring City	31,527.	259.	
Staten Island, N.Y.	18,357.	50.	20.
Stroudsburg	10,494.	121.	
Sunbury	52,241.	1,200.	40.
Terre Hill	21,077.	460.	55.
Wallingford	72,218.	121.	200.
York	37,718.	200.	
Zionsville	11,717.		50.
Total	1,210,386.	11,057.	4,663.
C. E. Dep't., D. G. Ziegler, Int. Dir.			
Belvidere, N. J.	13,864.	275.	25.
Finesville, N. J.	8,406.		16.
Macungie	9,171.		
Miller Heights	9,062.		
Millersville	2,900.		
Walnutport	9,046.	340.	
Total	52,449.	615.	41.
GRAND TOTALS	1,262,835.	11,672.	4,704.

ROLL AND DIRECTORY OF MINISTERS

I. Ordained Ministers Working Under the Direction of the Bible Fellowship Church:

Name	Licensed	Ordained	Assigned	Phone	Address	Zip Code
Bean, E. W.	1928	1938	1967	215-965-6346	Box 266, Zionsville, Pa.	18092
Beil, James A.	1959	1962	1967	215-759-1712	16 South Broad St., Nazareth, Pa.	18064
Brosius, Bert N. Church	1958	1961	1966	215-948-3791 215-948-9448	25 Pennhurst Rd., Spring City, Pa.	19475
Butler, Brian H.	1968	1957	1967	215-264-1120	235 Walnut St., Catasauqua, Pa.	18032
Campbell, M. Leslie Church	1961	1967	1968	201-627-6706 201-625-1880	25 Florence Ave., Denville, N. J.	07834
Cassel, Carl C. Church	1956	1958	1962	215-432-0664 215-435-2331	529 N. Eighth St., Allentown, Pa.	18102
Cassel, Willard E.	1943	1946	1963	215-797-7271	723 Filmore St., Allentown, Pa.	18103
Dunn, John	1941	1950	1967	717-393-7677	608 Prospect St., Lancaster, Pa.	17603
Ellingson, Bruce A.	1963	1966	1966	717-272-3945	515 Locust St., Lebanon, Pa.	17042
Fritz, Harvey J., Jr. Church	1959	1962	1966	215-967-2555 215-965-2682	313 N. Third St., Emmaus, Pa.	18049
*Hartman, Jansen E.	1942	1946	1949	717-424-1214	Box 481, R. D. #3, E. Stroudsburg, Pa.	18301
Hartman, W. W.	1930	1937	1964	717-648-9732	35 S. Second St., Shamokin, Pa.	17872
Hefner, William A.	1943	1951	1968	717-687-7577	Box 532, Paradise, Pa.	17562
Heller, LeRoy S. Church	1955	1958	1962	215-282-3580 215-282-3161	504 Oxford St., Coopersburg, Pa.	18036
Herb, Frank L., Jr. Church	1954	1957	1964	215-866-2703 215-868-5501	1124 N. Main St., Bethlehem, Pa.	18018
Herb, George E.	1957	1960	1962	215-944-7715	103 W. Pine St., Fleetwood, Pa.	19522
Herb, John H.	1962	1966	1964	201-475-2250	Box 155, Pequest Rd., Belvidere, N. J.	07823
Johnson, Robert F. Church	1958	1961	1963	215-948-3014 215-948-9764	630 Walnut St., Royersford, Pa.	19468

Name	Licensed	Ordained	Assigned	Phone	Address	Zip Code
Kirkwood, C. E.	1937	1940	1966	215-876-8449	723 S. Providence Rd. Wallingford Pa.	19086
Kirkwood, Donald T.	1951	1954	1967	215-926-3097	Box 284, Blandon, Pa.	19510
Knauer, Donald R.	1962	1965	1965	215-536-6096	25 S. Third St., Quakertown, Pa.	18951
Koch, James G.	1950	1953	1961	215-372-3330	1122 Hampden Blvd. Reading, Pa.	19604
Church				215-373-5574		
Kuder, Paul B.	1966	1968	1966	215-252-6352	1113 Whitney Ave., Easton, Pa.	18042
Mahurin, Ronald C.	1960	1959	1968	215-855-2449	75 W. Broad St., Hatfield, Pa.	19440
Mull, William W.	1968	1950	1967	717-286-6106	650 Catawissa Ave., Sunbury, Pa.	17801
Overpeck, Leon K.	1958	1965	1968	215-445-4401	404 W. Main St., Terre Hill, Pa.	17581
Plows, Keith E.	1966	1968	1966	215-288-6369	4426 VanKirk St., Phila., Pa.	19135
Church				215-743-3751		
Reichenbach, R. C.	1937	1941	1964	717-232-0821	3210 N. 4th St., Harrisburg, Pa.	17110
Church				717-234-9192		
Riggall, John H.	1945	1948	1966	717-843-4739	952 N. Duke St., York, Pa.	17404
# Seifert, A. L. (D. S.)	1950	1953	1962	215-868-2781	1218 E. Rosemont Dr. Bethlehem, Pa.	18018
Smock, Robert W.	1950	1953	1966	717-733-2526	111 E. Chestnut St., Ephrata, Pa.	17522
Thomann, David E.	1943	1946	1965	215-256-8253	140 Harleysville Pk. Harleysville, Pa.	19438
Watkins, David J.	1962	1965	1963	215-489-2281	111 Bridge St., Graterford, Pa.	19426
Weaver, Harold C.	1963	1967	1969	201-993-7308	Main Rd. Finesville, N. J.	08820
+ Ziegler, Daniel G.	1960	1963	1964	212-442-2782	243 Taylor St., Staten Island, N. Y.	10310

* President - Pinebrook Junior College

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	
Stengele, Laird F.		1952	

3. Ordained Ministers Working With Other Organizations

Cassel, Alva C.	1958	1962	Athens, Maine	04912
Frank, Walter H.	1939	1942	Greater Europe Mission	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	
Baer, Paul E.	1924	1928 1969
**Gehret, T. D.	1921	1925 1967
Heffner, W. F.	1917	1920 1960
++Hertzog, F. B.	1922	1925 1966
Rutman, E. J.	1937	1940 1955
		813-636-2758
Stengele, P. T.	1918	1923 1961
Wolf, N. H.	1916	1920 1967
		215-395-5691
		717-733-7800
		1334 Northampton St., Easton, Pa.
		2340 Union St., Allentown, Pa.
		6103 Ann St., Harrisburg, Pa.
		7 S. New St., (Rear) Nazareth, Pa.
		204 S. Raymond Ave. R. D. #1, Frost-
		proof, Florida
		Orefield, Pa.
		121 Park Ave., Ephrata, Pa.
		18069
		17522

** General Secretary, Board of Foreign Missions

++ Administrator, Bible Fellowship Church Home

5. Ordained Ministers on Leave of Absence

Name	Licensed	Assigned	Phone	Address	
Dotts, Raymond R.	1960	1965	215-437-1787	1019 S. Hall St., Allentown, Pa.	18103
Gardner, Reynold D., Sr.	1955	1961	717-766-9562	R. D. #2 Mechanicsburg, Pa.	17055
Hottel, W. B.	1944	1947	215-987-6964	R. D. #1 Oley, Pa.	19547
6. Probationers					
Barnhart, Donald	1968	1968	215-865-2191	3446 Freemansburg Ave., Beth., Pa.	18017
Branning, David L.	1967	1966	215-767-4852	20 Cherry St., Walnutport, Pa.	18088
Byrd, Terris	1969	1968	215-678-4294	15 E. Penn Ave., Wernersville, Pa.	19565
Frable, Arthur H.	1969	1968	215-377-1277	137 N. 4th St., Lehighton, Pa.	18235
Franklin, William B.	1969	1967	215-886-4862	418 Roslyn Ave., Glenside, Pa.	19038
Salzman, Robert E.	1969	1968	215-967-1904	421 Elm St., Emmaus, Pa.	18049
Smith, Mark T.	1967	1966	717-421-0533	21 S. 6th St., Stroudsburg, Pa.	18360
Spackman, Carl K.	1969	1968	717-339-4693	132 W. 4th St., Mt. Carmel, Pa.	17851
Zimmerman, Paul G. Church	1966	1967	215-726-4413 215-727-8959	6902 Chelwynde Ave., Phila, Pa.	19142
Wilcox, LeRoy C.	1968	1967	717-342-2027	1023 Taylor Ave., Scranton, Pa.	18510

Lay Members of the Board of Directors

Cassel, Byron C.	215-884-6622
Cressman, James R.	215-867-7334
Kauffman, Horace A.	717-626-8356
Wentz, Paul I.	215-437-2775
Bible Fellowship Church Home, Nazareth, Pa.	215-759-5121
Pinebrook Bible Conference	717-424-1212
Pinebrook Junior College	717-421-3633

DELEGATES TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE - 1969,

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	Paul H. Cressman, 814 Radcliff St., Bethlehem, Pa. 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.	George Harper, 15 Rainbow Trail, Denville, N. J. 07834
Easton	Leonard F. Kessler, 2306 Forest St., Easton, Pa. 18042
Ephrata	Robert W. Gehret, R. D. #3, Ephrata, Pa. 17522
Emmaus	Paul I. Wentz, 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 St., Collegeville, 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, Pa. 19440
Lancaster	Horace A. Kauffman, 25 E. Lemon St., Lititz, Pa. 17543
Lebanon	Frank L. Herb, 436 Locust St., Lebanon, Pa. 17042
Lehighton	Willard Blocker, 123 N. 4th St., Lehighton, Pa. 18235
Maple Glen	Byron C. Cassel, 747 Hillcrest Ave., Glenside, 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. 17527
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., Quakertown, Pa. 18951
Reading	Robert Breitegam, Walnut Rd., R. D. #3, Reading, Pa. 19606

Royersford	William R. Hunsberger, 417 N. 7th Ave., Royers- ford, Pa. 19468
Scranton	Franklin Mead, 431 Clay Ave., Rear, Scranton, Pa. 18510
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, Phoenix- ville, Pa. 19460
Staten Island, N. Y.	Roger Bowne, 503 Moore Rd., Shark River Hills, N. J. 07757
Stroudsburg	Oscar Barry, 1561 Spruce St., Stroudsburg, Pa. 18360
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



Newly purchased annex building at Ephrata

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 - 3100 Hecktown Road		9:30	11:15	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	7:00
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 - 431 N. Lewis Road		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
Miller Heights - 5th and Alternate Route 22	9:30	10:30	7:00
Walnutport - 233 Main Street	9:15	10:15	7:00

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 1970

1. Adjourned Session of Annual Conference
January 17, 1970 at 9:00 a.m. Nazareth Church
April 11, 1970 at 9:00 a.m, Royersford Church
2. Sunday School Convention
April 25, 1970
3. Ministerial Convention
May 19-20, 1970, Pinebrook
4. Victory Valley
Boys and Girls age 8 through 12 (grades 2-6)
June 27 - July 4
July 4 - July 11
July 11 - July 18
July 18 - July 25
July 25 - August 1

Co-ed Junior High School (grades 7-9)
August 1 - 8
August 8 - 15
5. Youth Fellowship Retreats
Winter Youth Retreat, January 2-4, 1970
Winter Youth Retreat, January 9-11, 1970
6. Annual Conference
October 12, 1970 at 10:00 a.m. Pinebrook

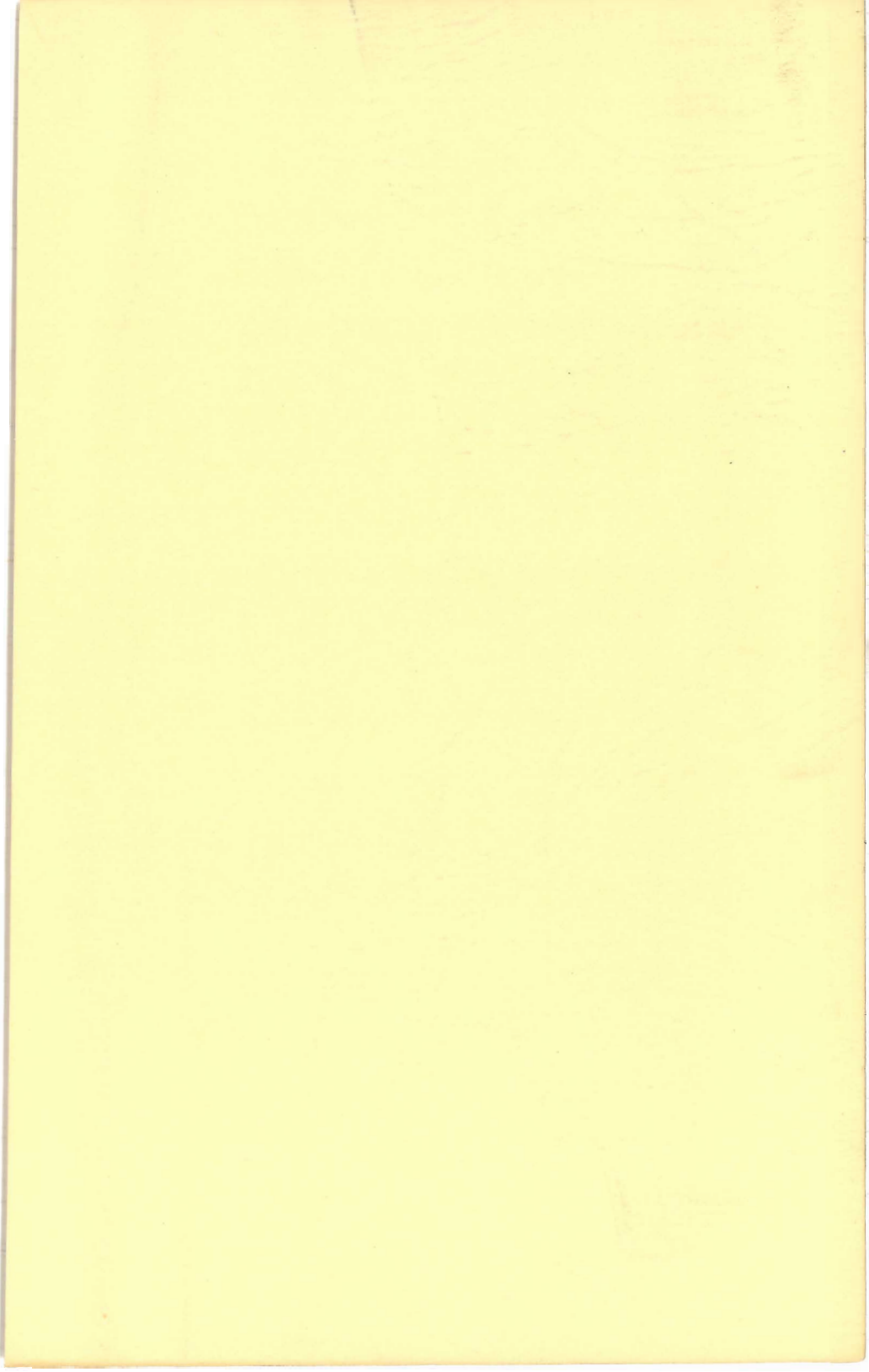
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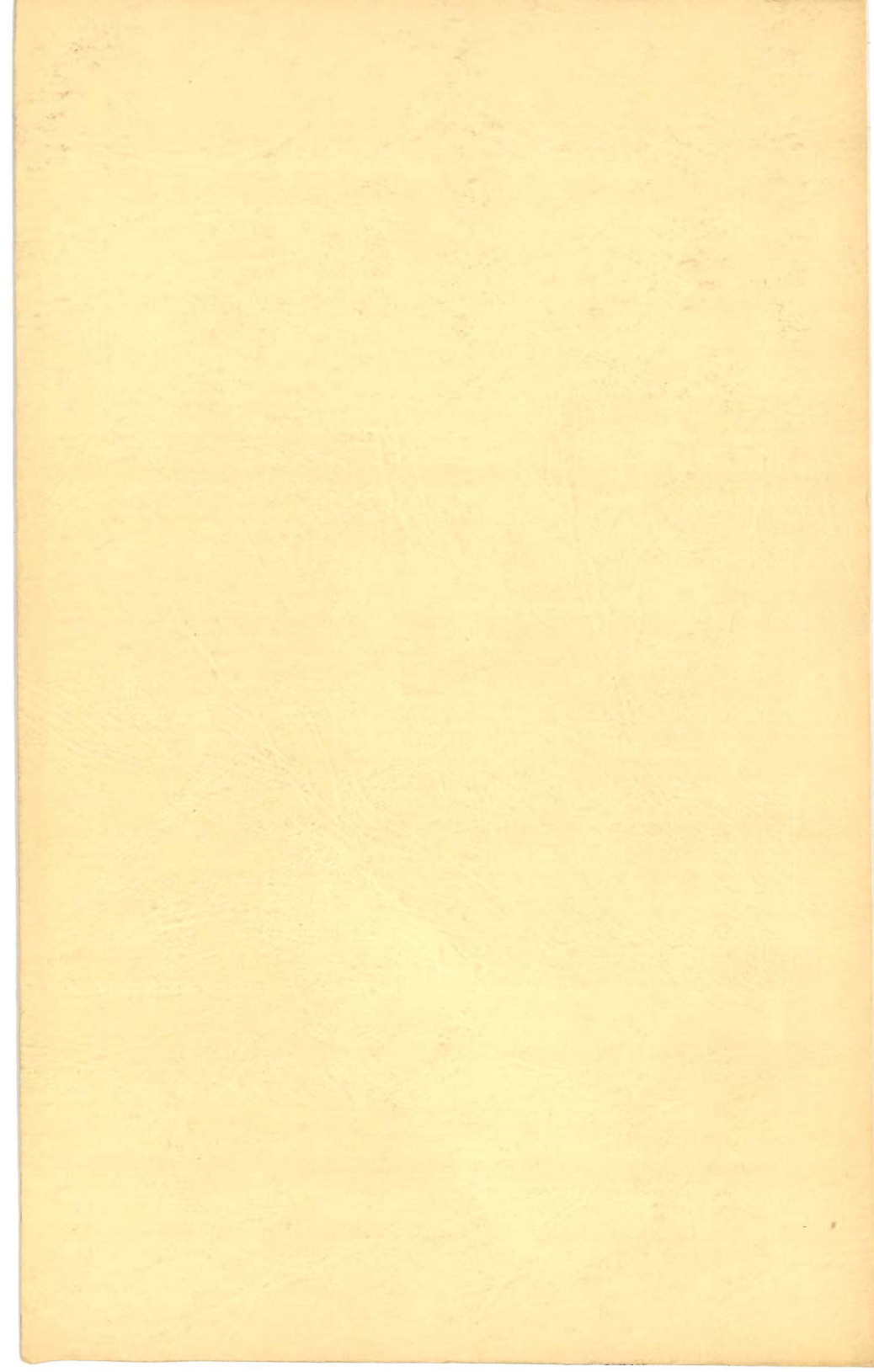
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Fourteenth Meeting
Saturday Morning, January 17, 1970

An adjourned session of the 86th Annual Conference convened at Grace Church, Nazareth, Pa., on January 17, 1970 at 9:00 a.m.

Clyde Snyder led the Conference in singing. The host pastor, James A. Beil, read from John 6:27-40; 44-48. C. E. Kirkwood led in prayer remembering specific requests.

Resolved, That the excuses of the absent members be accepted and the alternate delegates be seated in the Conference Bar.

Resolved, That Alfred Roberts, Harleysville and William Bartron, Stroudsburg, be seated as representatives of their respective churches.

Resolved, That Harold C. Weaber be excused from the afternoon meeting and David E. Thomann be excused at 3:00 p.m.

Recessed at 10:15 a.m.

Business resumed at 10:40 a.m.

Resolved, That the office of District Superintendent be discontinued and that provision be made for the transitional period; the office to end with the term that exists after new rules have been approved. (Second Reading) (Yes - 55, No - 23)

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 12:25 with prayer by Jansen E. Hartman.

Fifteenth Meeting
Saturday Afternoon, January 17, 1970

The meeting opened with singing. Willard E. Cassel led in prayer.

The minutes were approved as corrected.

TRANSITIONAL LEGISLATION

I. Changes on the Local Level

A. The following is a change in the Order of the Faith & Order Page 1, Article II, section 1:

1. Chairman - The Pastor shall be the Chairman
- Delete: Local Conference II, item #3

B. Deletions

Page 14, Article - District Superintendent - Section - Duties:

1. He shall review the duties of the officers accountable to the Local Conference and emphasize the duties of members toward their pastor once each year on each charge.

3. He shall meet with the Official Board at least once each year to review the progress of the work.

5. He shall help the churches and pastors with ideas and methods for promoting the spreading of the gospel.

It is recommended that these duties which are performed by the District Superintendent on the local level should be deleted because the continuation of them in a formal manner is no longer necessary.

C. Additions

Page 22, 1968 Year Book - 2nd last paragraph - Add to duties of Pastoral Relations Committee:

This Committee, in the time of crisis, may arrange for counsel of another Bible Fellowship pastor whose judgment is respected by the congregation and pastor.

In the event of the death of an active pastor, this committee shall make itself available to assist the survivors.

II. Changes on Denominational Level

A. The Faith & Order shall be changed to add:

One ordained minister to the membership to each of the following:

- Board of Directors
- Board of Foreign Missions
- Board of Church Extension
- Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College
- Board of Victory Valley
- Sunday School Promotion Committee
- Credentials Committee
- Youth Fellowship General Committee

B. In September 1970, the present responsibilities of the District Superintendent in Pulpit Supply shall be the responsibility of the Credentials Committee. (This rule will apply only to 1970 and will need to be enacted annually to keep it in force until a new system of pulpit supply makes other provision). The Pastoral Poll Card and the tally of the poll shall remain in the possession of the delegate and be destroyed by him after Annual Conference.

C. The money presently known as "The Appropriation to be used at the Discretion of the District Superintendent" shall be held and distributed by the Board of Directors in the following ways:

1. Any pastor can apply to the Board of Directors for loans from this fund; arrangements for the terms of the loan and repayment shall be mutually agreed upon between the pastor and the Board.
2. The Credentials Committee and the Pastoral Relations Committee (should this body create such a group) shall make recommendations to the Board of Directors for financial aid to be given to needy pastors from this fund.

D. In the case of death or resignation of a pastor the particular church shall bear primary responsibility for filling the pulpit. The Chairman of the Credentials Committee shall be informed immediately (this shall be changed to the chairman of the Pastoral Relations Committee if such a group is created) and this Committee shall provide help to the church in supplying the pulpit.

Whereas, The 86th Annual Conference voted to cease to have the Office of District Superintendent, and,

Whereas, Our action will have an immediate effect on the influence and function of the office and,

Whereas, Our action will make it extremely difficult for the Nominating Committee to abide by our Rules in presenting the required number of Candidates for the office of District Superintendent at our April meeting, therefore,

Resolved, That the Transitional Legislation be adopted and be put into effect as of the 87th Annual Conference by the Rule of Exception and further,

Resolved, That no election for District Superintendent be held in April 1970.

The Report of Pulpit Supply Committee #2 was discussed.

Resolved, That the Committee to Study Pulpit Supply and the Committee to Revise the Present System of Pulpit Supply make a comparison of their papers in parallel columns along with the present system.

The following were appointed to the Statistical Committee:

Willard E. Cassel, LeRoy S. Heller, Donald T. Kirkwood, John Dunn.

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 3:35 p.m. with prayer by Roger Bowne.

Sixteenth Meeting
Saturday Morning, April 11, 1970

An Adjourned Session of the 86th Annual Conference was held at Royersford Church on April 11, 1970.

Pastors Johnson and Reichenbach led in the devotions.

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

Resolved, That the excuses of absent Pastors and Delegates be accepted.

Resolved, That the following Bible Fellowship Missions: Belvidere, New Jersey, Finesville, New Jersey; and Walnutport, Pa., be recognized as Churches and be received into membership at the 87th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church 1970, 1971.

Resolved, That Earl Van Norman from Finesville, N.J., and Philip Link from Belvidere, N.J., lay elders be allowed to sit in the bar as non-voting observers.

The following were elected:

Chairman of Annual Conference - C.E. Kirkwood
Vice-Chairman of Annual Conference - Carl C. Cassel
Secretary of Annual Conference - James A. Beil

Whereas, Albert L. Wentz has faithfully and diligently served the Lord by his interest in Christian Higher Education and,

Whereas, He has given sacrificially of himself in this interest to Pinebrook Junior College from the time of the college's formation to the present, and,

Whereas, In His all wise providence, God has called our brother home,

Be It Resolved, That we give thanks to the Lord for the example and dedication of Brother Wentz and further that we pray that God will raise up others to continue with similar convictions and dedication.

Resolved, That we elect a lay representative to the Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College to fulfill the unexpired term of the late Albert L. Wentz.

The following were elected:

Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College - Carlton Wentz,

Nominating Committee - Bert N. Brosius, John Dunn, Robert F. Johnson, David J. Watkins, Robert Breitegam, John L. Deily, Robert W. Truett.

Resolved, That when a person is elected to two Conference Boards, his name may not be offered from the floor as a nominee for any additional Conference Boards.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION:

The Board of Church Extension elected a Director of Church Extension of the Bible Fellowship Church for a three year term beginning October 1970.

Daniel G. Ziegler was elected and his name is presented to this Adjourned Session of Conference for ratification.

The Office of Director of Church Extension will be part-time for the year 1970, 1971 and he will receive a salary of \$2,500.00.

Resolved, That we ratify the above action of the Board of Church Extension.

REPORT OF THE STATISTICAL COMMITTEE:(See Report p.28F)

The above report was adopted.

Resolved, That we adjourn to meet at 1:30 p.m.

Adjourned at 12:24 p.m.

Seventeenth Meeting Saturday Afternoon, April 11, 1970

Report of the Committee to Combine "Publication Committees"
(See Report, p. 28H)

The above report was accepted.

Resolved, That the above report be referred back for study of finances.

The Conference Administrative Budget was presented as follows: (See pg. 28J)

Resolved, That we adopt the above budget, effective October 1970.

A discussion was entered into relative to the present and future utilization of the Pinebrook facilities.

Resolved, That the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board provide for part-time directorship beginning October 1, 1970.

(Yes 61, No 12)

Resolved, That we adjourn.

Adjourned at 4:30 p.m. with prayer by Jansen E. Hartman.

REPORTS

REPORT OF THE STATISTICAL COMMITTEE

The following report is offered pursuant to the resolution on page 23, 1969 Year Book.

"RESOLVED" that the Statistical Committee make a study of the Pastor's Statistical Summary Report Form and report of the Adjourned Session."

The PS-3 Form - PASTOR'S SUMMARY STATISTICAL REPORT will include the following:

FORM A

Ordained Ministers
Probationers
Elders
Deacons

Baptized
Children Dedicated
Weddings
Funerals
Pastoral Visits
Rec'd into Church Fellowship
Rec'd by Transfer from B.F.Churches
Rec'd by Transfer from other Churches
Total Increase
Died
Withdrawn
Dropped
Transferred to B. F. Churches
Transferred to other Churches
Total Decrease
Net Increase
Net Decrease
Total Membership

FORM B

Total Enrollment
Total Average Attendance
Cradle Roll Members
Home Department Members

Churches
Parsonages
Present Valuation of Church Properties

Total Income
Total Offerings

In most churches these two columns might be identical. TOTAL INCOME would include, above offerings, the following:

Interest
Rent

BUT NOT

Sale of Properties
Loans from banks or individuals

FORM C

Conference Administrative Budget
Foreign Missions
Church Extension
Home for the Aging
Pinebrook Junior College
Board of Christian Education

A combination of Sunday School Promotion Committee and Youth Fellowship General Committee - assuming the passage of pending legislation.

Victory Valley

FORM D

Minister's Salary
Minister's Supplemental Benefits

This shall include: Family Health Insurance
Social Security
Automobile Allowance
Books
Etc.

Administrative Salaries
Christian Education

This shall include: Sunday School
Local Youth Fellowship
Christian Service Brigade
Pioneer Girls
Vacation Bible School
Etc.

Debt Service

This shall include both Principal and Interest

Local Benevolence
Local Missions

This shall include: Missionary Conference
Evangelistic Campaigns
Special Speakers
Rescue Missions, etc.
Etc.

Women's Missionary Society
Annual Conference Delegate
General Disbursements

This shall include: Maintenance of Properties
Local Administrative Expenses
Miscellaneous Expenses
Etc.

Total Disbursements

This is the Total reflected on this PS-3 Form.

(Willard E. Cassel, Chairman; LeRoy S. Heller, Secretary;
John Dunn, Donald T. Kirkwood, Committee)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO COMBINE "PUBLICATION COMMITTEES"

The following report is presented pursuant to the following resolutions:

"RESOLVED: that the Committee to Print the Year Book, Committee to Publish FELLOWSHIP NEWS, Committee on Publication and Printing be combined to be called the Board of Publication and Printing, and further,

"RESOLVED: that each of these committees elect two from their membership, forming a sub-committee to prepare the necessary material for implementing this change." (1969 Year Book, p. 9)

BOARD OF PUBLICATION AND PRINTING

The Board of Publication and Printing shall be composed of three ministers and two laymen elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference. The Business Manager of the FELLOWSHIP NEWS shall be a member by virtue of his office.

DUTIES:

1. The Board of Publication and Printing shall be responsible to publish:

- a. The Annual Conference Year Book
- b. FELLOWSHIP NEWS
- c. Other Conference Literature

2. It shall provide Conference related materials;

- a. Local Church and Sunday School supplies
- b. Stationary, etc. used by the Annual Conference Secretariat

3. It shall determine amount and pay the honorariums of:

- a. Annual Conference Secretariat
- b. Annual Conference Treasurer
- c. Editorial Staff of FELLOWSHIP NEWS
- d. Business Manager of FELLOWSHIP NEWS

4. The Business Manager shall deposit all funds in a bank or trust company approved by the Board of Publication and Printing to be disbursed at the direction of the Board.

5. It shall investigate possible areas of expansion in the field of printing and literature.

6. It shall present a written report to the Annual Conference and also a prospective budget for the ensuing year.

Upon the adoption of the above at SECOND READING, we recommend the following deletions:

1969 Year book, p.B (under Standing Boards & Committees)

- 1. Committee on Publication & Printing
- 2. Committee on Publishing Year Book
- 3. Committee to Publish FELLOWSHIP NEWS

1969 Year Book, p.C (Under Year Books)

- 1. "and Publisher"

1969 Year Book, p.D (Under Boards and Committees)

- 1. Once in each of the first two paragraphs: "Committee on Publication and Printing"

1969 Year Book, p.G

- 1. Complete section "Publication and Printing"

FAITH & ORDER (mimeo) p. 12 (Committees to be Appointed)

- 1. Committee on Publication and Printing

FAITH & ORDER (mimeo) pp.23&24

- 1. Complete section relative to Committee on Publication and Printing.

(Robert W. Smock, Chairman; Willard E. Cassel, Secretary, John Dunn, R. C. Reichenbach, Paul T. Rutman, David E. Thomann, Com,)

ADMINISTRATION BUDGET PROPOSED FOR 1970-1971
 COMPARED WITH BUDGET APPROVED FOR 1969-1970

	Proposed For <u>1970-1971</u>	Approved For <u>1969-1970</u>
1.Publication & Printing	500.00	500.00
2.Conference Entertainment	800.00	650.00
3.Beneficiary Fund	1,000.00	800.00
4.Conference Superintendent :		
a. Annual Support	-	7,350.00
b. Travel & Utility Grant	-	2,709.85
c. Parsonage	-	1,500.00
5.Minister's Retirement	16,195.80	5,000.00
6.Moving Fund	3,000.00	4,000.00
7.Expenses for Boards & Committees while transacting Conf. business	1,200.00	1,000.00
8.Other expenses of Board of Directors	290.00	290.00
9.Ministerial Convention Expense	400.00	400.00
10.To be used at Discretion of Credentials Committee - (This fund formerly controlled by the Conference Supt.)	3,000.00	3,000.00
11.Contingencies	<u>500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>
TOTALS	\$ 26,885.80	\$ 27,699.85
Board of Directors March 24, 1970		

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH PLEDGES TO THE ADMIN-
ISTRATION BUDGET

	Year 1970-1971
Allentown -Bethel	1,900.00
Allentown - Cedar Crest	600.00
Allentown - Salem	300.00
Bethlehem	1,800.00
Blandon	500.00
Catasauqua	384.00
Coopersburg	825.00
Denville N. J.	300.00
Easton	250.00
Emmaus	1,560.00
Ephrata	100.00
Fleetwood	876.00
Graterford	600.00
Harleysville	400.00
Harrisburg	675.00
Hatfield	1,320.00
Lancaster	300.00
Lebanon	440.00
Lehighton	364.80
Maple Glen	900.00
Mount Carmel	780.00
Nazareth	540.00
Paradise	360.00
Philadelphia - Calvary	575.00
Philadelphia - Emmanuel	376.00
Quakertown	1,105.00
Reading	1,920.00
Royersford	650.00
Scranton	150.00
Shamokin	480.00
Sinking Spring	220.00
Spring City	600.00
Staten Island, N. Y.	300.00
Stroudsburg	260.00
Sunbury	1,200.00
Terre Hill	700.00
Wallingford	1,200.00
York	850.00
Zionsville	225.00
TOTAL	\$ 26,885.80

(Bryon C. Cassel, Paul I. Wentz, Sr., Horace A. Kauffman, James R. Cressman, Committee).

