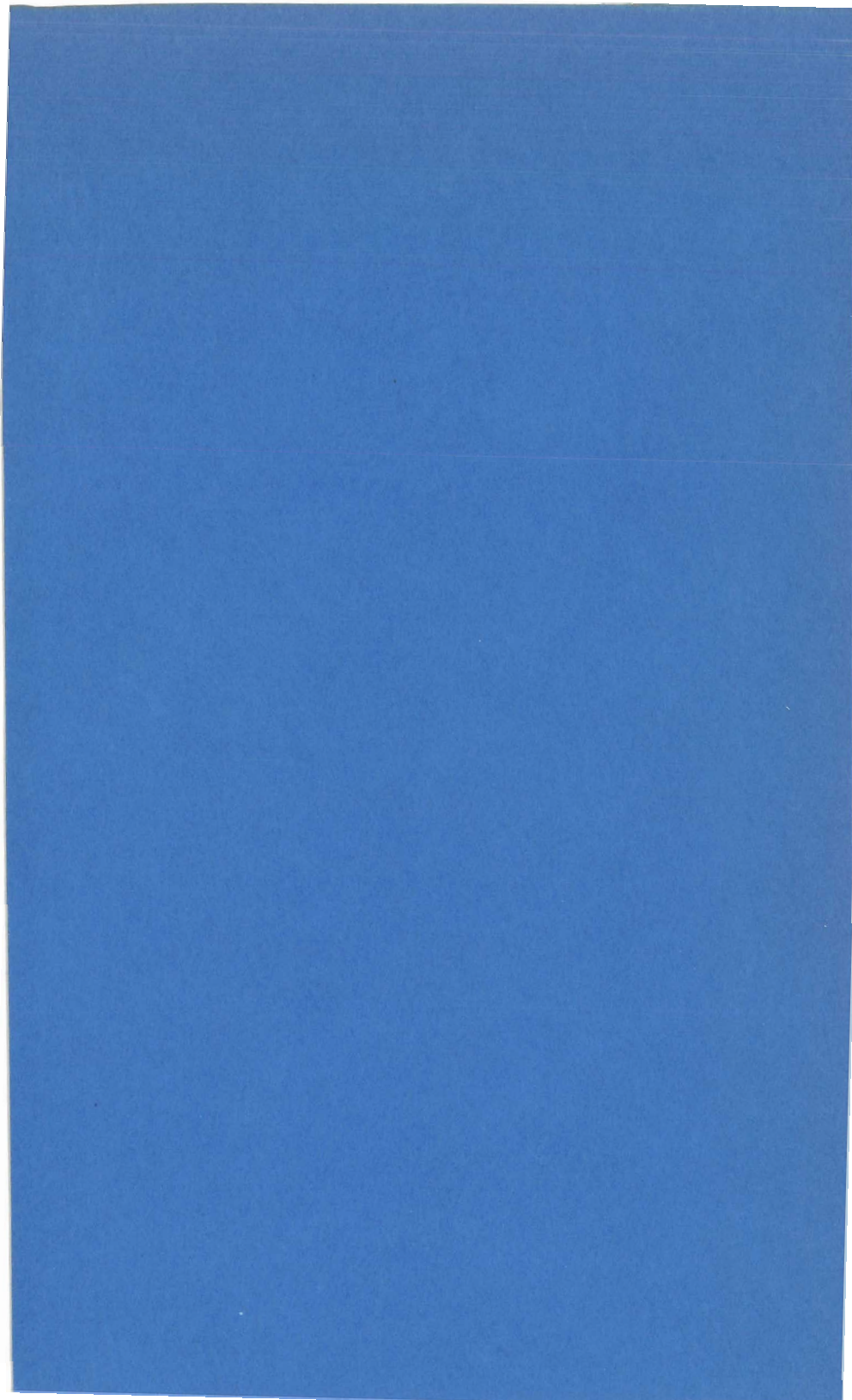


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COMBINED COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE PINEBROOK ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCIAL STRUCTURE

(Note: Not elected as of date of publication)

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 ($\frac{3}{4}$) 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.

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12. The Annual Conference may grant the status of self-support to a church which has contributed the minimum pastor's salary and has petitioned Annual Conference requesting such status declaring that it no longer desires Church Extension appropriation.

(The minimum Pastor's salary is \$5,400.00 effective October 1, 1971)

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 Examination of Local Conference Minutes
4. Committee on Resolutions
5. 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 of Bible Fellowship Church
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. Board of Christian Education
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. Historical Committee

15. Nominating Committee

Year Book -- The Secretary of the Annual Conference shall be Editor 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 when ordered.

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

(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 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 Annual Conference.

B. No Probationer shall be ordained who is not fully in accord with the FAITH & ORDER of the Bible Fellowship Church.

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 allowance 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 congregation desires to sell church property they must receive the approval of the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church before conveying title.

D. The Women's Missionary Society shall report to the Local Conference

CONFERENCE TREASURER

The Annual Conference shall elect a Treasurer annually who shall be Treasurer of the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church, Board of Victory Valley and Committee on Publication and Printing.

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

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 of the Bible Fellowship Church annually with a statement itemizing the various securities held and the monies on deposit in banks and trust companies.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church -- The Annual Conference shall elect a Board of Directors consisting of five ministers who are members of the Annual Conference and willing to minister under the direction of our Conference, the FAITH & ORDER of the Bible Fellowship Church 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, Corporate Secretary and Financial Secretary.

All vacancies occurring between Annual Conference sessions shall be elected 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 saving deposit, or make substantial investments.

The Board of Directors shall not buy nor sell any property except by the approval of all the members of the Board of Directors 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 authorize the satisfaction and cancellation of any mortgage as notes fully paid.

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 of 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 General Secretary, four ordained ministers and four laymen. All money contributed throughout the Conference for the cause of foreign missions shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions. They shall disburse the funds that they receive for the spread of the Gospel.

The members of the church shall be respectfully recommended to forward their funds for the foreign missionaries through the local church and not to the missionaries directly, which would lessen or cause to neglect their contributions in the direct channel provided by Annual Conference for the support pledged to our respective missionaries.

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 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.

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 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 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 as follows: one percent of the first thousand dollars or fraction thereof, $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent of the second 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 source.

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 Bible Fellowship Church.

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 his Probationer's 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 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.

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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 shall become an annuitant at the age of sixty-five (65), 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 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.

MISCELLANEOUS

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

B. 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.

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

D. 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 certification 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.

E. 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.

F. The Secretary of Annual Conference shall receive by September 1, all Local Conference petitions. The Secretary of the Local Conference shall be responsible for sending a copy of the petition(s) to the Secretary of the Annual Conference. The Secretary of the Annual Conference shall send two copies to each Pastor by September 15.

G. 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.

H. The travelling expenses for all official Church business shall be 10¢ per mile. (Effective, October 15, 1971)

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

J. 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

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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. Reports of foreign mission and church extension offerings shall be made by the respective boards 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 a copy of the Annual Financial Report of the Local Church 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.
- K. 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.
- L. 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 cause 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 -- Board of Christian Education -- check to be submitted to the Secretary of the Committee at the Adjourned Session. Check is to be made payable to _____, Treasurer of the Board of Christian Education.
2. To be paid at Annual Conference
 - C -- Ministers' Retirement Fund
Ministers' assessment from receipts since Adjourned Session
3. To be paid as Directed
 - D -- Church Extension -- to be paid quarterly to the Treasurer of the Board of Church Extension.
 - E -- Foreign Missions -- to be paid quarterly to the General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions
 - F -- Pinebrook Junior College -- make check(s) payable to Pinebrook Junior College and send it to Box 481, R. D. #3, East Stroudsburg, Pa. 18301

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- G -- Victory Valley Camp -- to be sent by March 1 to _____, Secretary, Board of Victory Valley
- H -- The Home for the Aging -- Annual Offering for the Home to be sent by April 1
- I -- 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
Board of Christian Education
Bible Fellowship Church Home



A Sunday School Class at Oicha being taught by Benjamin. (Olive Rawn)



Dedication of church at Amiens, France.
(Rev. & Mrs. Ron Hoyle)

ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

1971

First Meeting

Monday Morning, October 11, 1971

The 88th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church was called to order by Chairman, C.E. Kirkwood at 10:00 a.m.

The roll was called as follows:

<u>Church</u>	<u>Ordained Pastor</u>	<u>Delegate</u>
Allentown (Bethel)	James G. Koch	John L. Deily
Allentown (Cedar Cr)		Howard Schaeffer
Allentown (Salem)	Willard E. Cassel	Dale Kemmerer
Belvidere, N. J.	John H. Herb	Philip T. Link
Bethlehem	Frank L. Herb, Jr.	Arden Gackenbach
Blandon	Donald T. Kirkwood	Stanley Kalbach
Catasauqua	Brian H. Butler	Arthur W. Deppe
Coopersburg	LeRoy S. Heller	Arthur Mack
Denville, N. J.		George W. Harper
Ephrata	Robert W. Smock	Robert W. Gehret
Emmaus	Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.	Clifford L. Kauffman
Finesville, N. J.	Harold C. Weaber	H. Walter Stout, Jr.
Fleetwood	Austin G. Shelly	Norman L. Reed
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Terre Hill	Leon K. Overpeck	John M. Slater
Wallingford	C. E. Kirkwood	Robert W. Truett
Walnutport	David L. Branning	Burton Deppe
York	John H. Riggall	Sterling Baer
Zionsville	E. W. Bean	Bright N. Heist

Probationers

Easton	LeRoy C. Wilcox	Leonard F. Kessler
Leighton	Arthur H. Frable	Ernest E. Bauer
Mount Carmel	Carl K. Spackman	Harold L. Snyder, Jr.
Phila. (Calvary)	Keith Yoder	Leon H. Naudasher
Phila. (Emmanuel)	Paul G. Zimmerman	Edward J. Dietzman
Sinking Spring	Terris Byrd	Richard Fisher

ORDAINED MINISTERS - Carl C. Cassel, Donald R. Knauer, David J. Watkins

RETIRED MINISTERS - Paul E. Baer, T. D. Gehret, W. F. Heffner, F. B. Hertzog, E. J. Rutman, P. T. Stengele, N. H. Wolf.

ORDAINED MINISTERS ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE - Reynold D. Gardner, W. B. Hottel

ORDAINED MISSIONARIES - James Bigley, Leonard E. Buck, Robert Gordon, J. Barclay Harley, Roy Hertzog, Edward Moyer, Laird F. Stengele

The following were absent: Arden Gackenbach, Ronald Ensminger, John M. Stengele, Nicholas Sheetz, William W. Mull, Paul E. Baer, W. F. Heffner, Reynold D. Gardner, E. J. Rutman, P. T. Stengele, N. H. Wolf, W. B. Hottel, James Bigley, Leonard E. Buck, Robert Gordon, J. Barclay Harley*, Roy Hertzog*, Edward Moyer*, Laird F. Stengele*

(*Absent due to service on respective fields)

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

The following asked to be excused from various sessions; John M. Stengele, Jansen E. Hartman, Ronald Ensminger, Dale L. Kemmerer, A. L. Seifert, Leon K. Overpeck, Arthur W. Deppe, Clayton Dietz, Clayton Brosius, James A. Beil, Harold E. Snyder, William W. Mull.

Resolved, that these excuses be accepted.

Resolved, that Alternate Delegate Paul H. Cressman be seated as delegate for the Bethlehem Church, and Alternate James E. Weidner for Spring City.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM (See report page 37)

The report was accepted.

Devotional Period - Song leader; Bert N. Brosius; Prayer: Robert Breitegam; Message: Frank L. Herb, Jr.

Resolved, that the first 10 rows of seats constitute the Conference Bar.

The Chairman made the following appointments:

Committee on Finance; Byron C. Cassel, Robert W. Truett, Sterling Baer, Robert Breitegam, Robert W. Gehret, Paul H. Cressman.

Committee On Communications: William A. Heffner, Donald R. Knauer, David L. Branning, William W. Mull, Harold C. Weaber

Committee on Resolutions: Carl C. Cassel, Ronald C. Mahurin, Bruce A. Ellingson, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Leon H. Naudasher, Norman L. Reed, Austin G. Shelly

Committee on Auditing: William R. Hunsberger, Clifford L. Kauffman, Ronald Ensminger, Howard Schaeffer, Dale L. Kemmerer, Stanley Kalbach, Richard Achey, LeRoy C. Wilcox, Harold L. Snyder, Jr., T. Lamarn Manney, John M. Slater, Clayton Brosius, Edward A. Stortz, Clayton Dietz, Bright N. Heist

Committee on Examination of Local Conference Minutes: E. W. Bean, W. W. Hartman, Arthur W. Deppe, Arthur Mack, George W. Harper, Leonard F. Kessler, Carl K. Spackman, Clyde W. Snyder, Ernest E. Bauer, Ralph D. Cole, Edward J. Dietzman, Franklin Mead, Terris Byrd, Harold E. Snyder, Burton Deppe, H. Walter Stout, Jr., Philip T. Link, Richard Fisher, E. Gerald Hershey, James E. Weidner.

Timekeeper: Arthur H. Frable

Reporter: John H. Herb

Tellers: Jansen E. Hartman, Robert F. Johnson, R. C. Reichenbach, George E. Herb, Norman W. Granda, John L. Deily

Resolved, that we approve the above appointments.

The Agenda for this year's session was presented.

Resolved, that we accept the Report of the Committee on Agenda as a guideline.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS (See report page 38)

The report was accepted.

Resolved, that Carl K. Spackman, Paul G. Zimmerman, Arthur H. Frable and Richard J. Gehman be ordained at a service to be held on Thursday, November 18, 1971, at 8:00 p.m. at Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church, Bethlehem, Pa.

The Credentials Committee shall be in charge of this service.

Whereas, Donald T. Kirkwood has requested that his name be placed on the roll of Ordained Ministers On Leave of Absence, therefore

Resolved, that his request be granted.

Whereas, Brian H. Butler has requested that his name be placed on the roll of Ordained Missionaries, therefore

Resolved, that his request be granted.

Whereas, Reynold D. Gardner, by failure to respond to an ultimatum from the Credentials Committee, has indicated that he no longer desires to hold credentials with us, and

Whereas, he has taken membership in a church outside the Bible Fellowship denomination, and,

Whereas, he has been well established in secular employment for the past 6 years, therefore,

Resolved, that his ordination credentials be withdrawn.

Resolved, that the following two resolutions appearing on the Faith and Order Questionnaire be placed in the Standing Rules. (1st Reading)

Resolved, that the mimeographed copies of the Articles of Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church which have been adopted by Annual Conference be our Official FAITH AND ORDER, and, further

Resolved, that this be the Official FAITH AND ORDER to which the pastors shall subscribe.

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

Adjourned at 11:35 a.m. with prayer by Sterling Baer.

Second Meeting Monday Afternoon, October 11, 1971

A Commissioning Service for Brian H. Butler, Missionary to Moorland Bible College, England, was conducted by the members of the Board of Foreign Missions.

The following were elected:

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE: Willard E. Cassel, Frank L. Herb, Jr., James G. Koch, Keith E. Plows, John H. Riggall

REPORT OF THE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP GENERAL COMMITTEE:
(See report, page 40)

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION AND
PRINTING: (See report, page 44)

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER: (See report, page
44)

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION COMMITTEE:
(See report, page 48)

The report was accepted.

Resolved, that the Sunday School Promotion Committee and the
Youth Fellowship General Committee be dissolved as of this
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
Churches. The twelve members of this Board of Christian Ed-
ucation shall be comprised of three classes of two ministers and
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.)

Duties of the Board of Education:

1. It shall provide guidance to the local church in carrying out
the Christian Education Program.
2. It shall provide helpful regional and denominational programs
for any or all aspects of the work of Christian Education.
3. It shall receive funds designated by the Annual Conference
and disburse them for the needs of its work.
4. It shall submit a written report to Annual Conference.

The above legislation was adopted for second reading.

Resolved, that the treasury balance of the Youth Fellowship
General Committee and the Sunday School Promotion Committee
be turned over to the Board of Christian Education.

Resolved, that every church make an annual contribution to 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).

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL CONVENTION: (See report, page 47)

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL CANDIDATES:
(See report, page 50).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, that the following men be recognized in their respective stages of development:

Probationers:

Terris L. Byrd, Sinking Spring, Pa.
Robert Minnig, Freehold, N.J.
D. Thomas Phillips, Neptune City, N.J.
Theodore Shelling, Baltimore, Maryland
Mark T. Smith, Hamburg, Pa. (On leave of absence)
LeRoy C. Wilcox, Easton , Pa.
Keith Yoder, Philadelphia, Pa.

Candidates:

Bernard N. Coble, Scranton, Pa.
Robert L. Draper, Ramtown, N J.
David Manney, Ecquador

Applicants:

William H. Bartron, Monroe, N. Y.
Douglas D. Bowne, Rahns, Pa.
Glenn H. Davis, Columbus, Ohio
John Grady, Boonton, N. J.
Thomas Heimer, Nazareth, Pa.
Charles E. Kramer, Spring City, Pa.
Rodney H. Long, Elysburg, Pa.
Roger Reitz, Shamokin, Pa.
Jonathan Reynolds, Zionsville, Pa.
Keith Stickler, Bethlehem, Pa.
Terry Tareila, Dallas, Texas
Richard Taylor, Graterford, Pa.
David A. Thomann, Harleysville, Pa.
Dana Weller, Bethlehem, Pa.
Frank DeJuna, Staten Island, N. Y.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PUBLISH FELLOWSHIP NEWS: (See report, page 51)

The report was accepted.

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

The following oral reports were given:

Editor of FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Business Manager of FELLOWSHIP NEWS

The following was elected:

CONFERENCE TREASURER: Byron C. Cassel

Resolved, that we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet at 6:30 p. m. Adjourned at 4:26 with prayer by Paul G. Zimmerman

Third Meeting Monday Night, October 11, 1971

The minutes of the morning meeting were read and approved.

The minutes of the afternoon meeting 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

Resolved, that a donation be made to FELLOWSHIP NEWS from the following boards and committees:

Board of Victory Valley	\$ 50.00
Board of Foreign Missions	50.00
Board of Church Extension	50.00
Board of Directors of Pinebrook Jr. College	50.00
Pinebrook Conference Board	50.00
Board of Christian Education	50.00
Committee on Publication & Printing	400.00

Checks should be made payable to FELLOWSHIP NEWS and sent to the treasurer by February 1, 1972.

Resolved, that the following budget for FELLOWSHIP NEWS be adopted.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS BUDGET
1971-1972

INCOME

Subscriptions at \$2.25 each	\$ 3,100.00
Donations: \$50.00 each from Board of Christian Education, Pinebrook Jr. College, Board of Foreign Missions, Board of Church Extension, Board of Victory Valley, Pinebrook Conference Board.	300.00
Board of Publication and Printing	400.00
Total proposed income	\$ 3,800.00

EXPENDITURES

Printing 12 issues FELLOWSHIP NEWS	3,300.00
Honorariums	175.00
Secretarial Expenses	100.00
Editor's Expenses	150.00
Postage	100.00
Business Manager's Expenses	275.00
Equipment	100.00
Total proposed expenses	\$ 4,200.00

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CHURCH EXTENSION: (See report, page 53)

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION: (see report, page 60).

The report was accepted.

The following budget for Church Extension was adopted:
(Yes 42; No 31)

REVISED BUDGET FOR CHURCH EXTENSION
October 1, 1971 - September 30, 1972

Receipts

Balance brought forward 9/20/71		\$ 6,326.61
Offerings	43,935.00	
Rents	1,500.00	
Interest	600.00	
Special gifts and/or loans	3,728.39	49,763.39
		\$ 56,090.00

Expenditures

Appropriations:

Churches	9,100.00	
Missions	23,090.00	
New Missions	10,800.00	
TIE Team	1,000.00	
PISCES	<u>3,600.00</u>	47,590.00

Administrative:

Director	2,800.00	
Director's Mileage	1,900.00	
Director's Parsonage	500.00	
Director's Operating	1,500.00	
Taxes	400.00	
Board Expenses	<u>600.00</u>	7,700.00

General:

Contingency	<u>800.00</u>	<u>800.00</u>
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Total Expenditures		\$ 56,090.00
Balance in Treasury 9/30/72		00.00

Whereas, present procedures for receiving, holding and disbursing Church Extension Funds through the Conference Treasurer are cumbersome and inefficient, therefore

Resolved, that the Board of Church Extension elect a Treasurer from among its membership and that said Treasurer shall receive, deposit and disburse monies assigned to the Board as directed by the Board. (Second Reading)

Resolved, that all Church Extension funds be forwarded quarterly to the Treasurer of the Board of Church Extension.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE PINEBROOK BIBLE CONFERENCE: (See report, page 63).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, that we extend the time.

Resolved, that we adjourn.

Adjourned at 9:10 p. m. with prayer by E. J. Dietzman.

Fourth Meeting
Tuesday Morning, October 12, 1971

The minutes were read and approved as read.

Devotional Period - Songleader: Carl C. Cassel; Prayer: Ronald Ensminger; Message: Frank L. Herb, Jr.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH HOME : (See Report, page 65).

The report was accepted.

Administrator of the Home, F. B. Hertzog, addressed the Conference.

Resolved, that each church make a contribution to the Bible Fellowship Church Home. The anticipated budget of the Home indicates a need for contributions of at least \$8,600 by the churches. Checks shall be made payable to the Bible Fellowship Church Home and submitted by April 1, 1972.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VICTORY VALLEY: (See report, page 81).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, that each church make a contribution to Victory Valley Camp. The camp budget for 1971-72 indicates a need for church contributions of \$5,000. If each church would give at least 1% of its total offerings, this could be accomplished. Checks should be made payable to Victory Valley Camp and sent to the Financial Secretary of the Board before March 1, 1972.

Resolved, that we recess. Recessed at 10:33 a.m.

Reconvened at 10:50 a.m.

Resolved, that the Victory Valley Board be composed of nine men, four ordained ministers and five laymen elected in three classes of three-year terms each. (Initially one class of three laymen would be elected for one-year terms; a second class of three ordained ministers would be elected for two-year terms; and a third class of two laymen and one ordained minister would be elected for three-year terms. Thereafter, each class would be elected for three-year terms.) (First Reading)

The material on Pulpit Supply was considered.

The following missionaries, supported by the Bible Fellowship Church, were introduced to the Conference: Miss Olive Rawn, James Bigley, Ron Hoyle and Richard J. Gehman. Each one spoke briefly.

Resolved, that we extend the time.

Resolved, that we adjourn. Adjourned at 12:05 p.m. with prayer by Bright N. Heist.

Fifth Meeting Tuesday Afternoon, October 12, 1971

Ernest Bauer led in prayer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION: James G. Koch, Clyde W. Snyder.

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

The report was accepted.

Resolved, that all foreign mission funds be forwarded quarterly to the General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Resolved, that this resolution be placed in our Standing Rules

Recessed at 2:54 p.m. Reconvened at 3:15 p.m.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH HOME: James A. Beil, David E. Thomann, Walter A. Schlagel.

Resolved, that the Committee on Credentials and the delegates of all self-supporting churches shall constitute the Stationing Committee.

The following was elected:

GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS: David E. Thomann

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

Adjourned at 4:14 p.m. with prayer by Keith Yoder.

Sixth Meeting Tuesday Evening, October 13, 1971

The minutes of the Tuesday afternoon session were read and approved as read.

A time of sharing was enjoyed by the Conference.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS: John Dunn, T.D. Gehret, R.C. Reichenbach, Austin G. Shelly, Robert Breitegam, James R. Cressman, Kermit Gehman, Paul Truett.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE LOCAL CONFERENCE MINUTES: (See report, page 84).

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE: (See report, page 85).

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE: (See report, page 86).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, that we extend the time.

Resolved, that we adjourn. Adjourned at 9:10 p.m. with prayer by Leon H. Naudasher.

Seventh Meeting Wednesday Morning, October 13, 1971

The minutes of the Tuesday evening session were read and approved as read.

Devotions: Songleader, LeRoy S. Heller; Prayer, Norman W. Granda; Message, Frank L. Herb, Jr.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF VICTORY VALLEY: Carl C. Cassel, John H. Herb, Donald R. Knauer, Ronald C. Mahurin, Harry Bailey, Bright N. Heist, Clayton E. Weber.

Leonard E. Buck, missionary supported by the Bible Fellowship Church, working in South Africa, addressed the Conference.

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE: (See report, page 89).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, that the Historical Committee continue the study of the establishing of a historical center at Pinebrook including projected needs and costs.

Resolved, that we recess. Recessed at 10:15 a.m.

Reconvened at 10:39 a.m.

The following were elected:

EDITOR OF FELLOWSHIP NEWS: Robert W. Smock

BUSINESS MANAGER OF FELLOWSHIP NEWS: R. C. Reichenbach.

The consideration of Pulpit Supply was continued.

Resolved, that we extend the time to no later than 12:30 p.m.

Before casting a ballot, four men led the Conference in prayer.

The following Pulpit Supply System was adopted as a substitute for the existing pulpit supply rules in FAITH & ORDER (mimeo) pp. 8-R-10. (SECOND READING) Yes: 68, No: 10)

The ideal condition in a conference is that of a satisfactory and stable pastoral relation in each church within its jurisdiction. To work to that ideal it is important that a conference have a proper concern for and relationship with the churches which are without pastors.

A. INSTITUTING THE PASTORAL RELATION IN CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS

1. Ministerial Relations Committee. The care of churches without Pastors shall be assigned to the Ministerial Relations Committee.

2. Oversight. The Ministerial Relations Committee shall exercise oversight of churches without pastors in the following ways:

a. The First Annual Conference Delegate shall serve as Moderator of the Official Board.

b. By consulting with the Official Board regarding Temporary Supplies. The Official Board shall meet with the Committee and with its aid and advice secure temporary supplies for its pulpit when it becomes vacant.

c. By advising with the Official Board regarding Stated Supplies. On recommendations of the Ministerial Relations Committee Annual Conference may establish stated supplies. The Committee may arrange for the transfer of stated supplies within the Conference when it seems to be for the best interests of the minister, the church, or the Conference as a whole. In the area of stated supplies, the Ministerial Relations Committee shall at all times work in consultation with the Ministerial Candidate Committee and with the Credentials Committee.

d. By advising churches regarding the calling of a pastor. The Ministerial Relations Committee shall meet and consult with the Official Board of every church that is without a pastor. It shall advise the Official Board regarding the suitability of any person whose name is to be put before the congregation, and shall have the privilege of nominating suitable persons for the Board's consideration. The Annual Conference shall permit a call to be placed in the hands of a minister only when the Official Board of the church has thus consulted the Ministerial Relations Committee and obtained its approval before the name is presented to the congregation.

e. By conferring with the Board of Church Extension and the Official Board of any church receiving aid in the support of its pastor through the Church Extension Fund before recommending or approving the settlement of a pastor or stated supply in such a church.

3. Duty of a Particular Church without a Pastor.

a. Every church should be under the pastoral oversight of a minister, when its pulpit is vacant, shall promptly proceed to elect a pastor in the following manner: The Official Board shall call a congregational meeting to convene at the regular place of worship to elect a nominating committee representative of the whole congregation, whose duty it shall be to nominate a minister to the congregation for election as pastor. Public notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting must be given at not less than three prior regularly scheduled meetings.

The church may elect a nominating committee only after its pulpit has become vacant or after the Ministerial Relations Committee has set a definite future date when the pulpit of the church is to be declared vacant. But the nominating committee shall be free, without the influence of the retiring pastor to carry out the desires of the congregation with reference to the call of a successor pastor.

b. Conference with Ministerial Relations Committee. The nominating committee shall confer with the Ministerial Relations Committee as provided in Section A, paragraph 2.

c. If it appear desirable, the nominating committee may confer with eligible men prior to issuing a formal call so that the parties may become acquainted with the particular needs of the church and proposed methods, opportunities, or obligations.

d. Who is eligible for a call? The Credentials Committee shall issue an annual list of men who are eligible to work as pastors of a Bible Fellowship Church, and this list is to be published in the Year Book and made a part of the proceedings of Annual Conference. Should changes occur in this list while Conference is adjourned, the Secretary of the Credentials Committee shall mail a revised list of such men to all delegates who were members of the last Annual Conference or who may be delegates-elect to the next Annual Conference.

e. The Congregational Meeting. When the nominating committee is ready to report, it shall notify the Official Board, which shall call a congregational meeting at the regular place of worship for the purpose of acting on the report of the nominating committee. Public notice of the time, place and purpose of the meeting shall be given at not less than three prior regularly scheduled meetings.

f. The Congregation's Responsibility in the Election of a Pastor. The order of business for the congregational meeting is as follows:

1. The First Delegate to Annual Conference shall preside, or he may appoint a member of the Ministerial Relations Committee to do so.

2. The Secretary of the Official Board shall act as secretary of the meeting.

3. Prayer for divine guidance shall be made.

4. Statement shall be made concerning those entitled to vote. All members, having attained the age of sixteen (16) years, attending the meeting, but no others, are entitled to vote.

5. The report of the nominating committee shall be made.

6. The question shall be put: "Are you ready to proceed to the election of a pastor?" The question shall be answered by a motion, duly seconded, and approved by a majority of those voting.

7. If they declare themselves ready, the moderator shall declare the name submitted by the nominating committee to be in nomination.

8. The vote shall be taken by written ballot. In every case a majority of the voters present and voting shall be required to elect.

9. On the election of a pastor, if it appear that a large minority is averse to the candidate who has received a majority of votes, and the minority cannot be induced to concur in the call, the moderator shall endeavor to dissuade the majority from prosecuting it further. If the electors be nearly or quite unanimous or if the majority shall insist upon its right to call a pastor, the moderator shall proceed to draw a call in due form. It shall be subscribed by them, certifying at the same time in writing the number of those who do not concur in the call, and any facts of importance all of which proceedings shall be laid before the Ministerial Relations Committee, together with the call.

10. The call shall be in the following form, namely:

FORM OF CALL

"The _____ Bible Fellowship Church of _____, being on sufficient grounds, well satisfied of the ministerial qualifications of you, _____, and having good hopes from our knowledge of you, that your ministrations in the gospel will be profitable to our spiritual interests, do earnestly call and desire you to undertake the office of pastor in said congregation, promising you in the discharge of your duties, all proper support, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord.

"And that you may be free from worldly care and avocations, we, on our part, promise and oblige ourselves to pay you the sum of \$ _____ yearly in regular payments during the time of your being and continuing as the pastor of this church, together with free use of the parsonage and _____ vacation each year.

"And we agree to pay or continue to pay semi-annually into the Ministers' Retirement Fund that requisite percent of said salary which Annual Conference may require you to pay into said fund.

"And we agree to pay or continue to pay annually a sum equivalent to that self-employment tax as may be levied upon you by the Congress of the United States under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act.

"And we agree to pay, or continue to pay, for the Health and Welfare benefits offered by Annual Conference.

"And we promise and oblige ourselves to review with you the adequacy of this compensation annually.

"In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our names this _____ day of _____ A.D. _____.

(Signatures)

"I, having moderated the congregational meeting which extended a call to _____ for his ministerial services, do certify that the call has been made in all respects according to the rules laid down by the Faith and Order, and that the persons who sign the foregoing call were authorized to do so by vote of the congregation.

(Signed) _____
Moderator of Meeting. "

11. The signatures on the call shall be either all those present subscribing to the call: or (upon resolution of the congregation) those members of the Official Board who subscribe to the call. Such a resolution must be publicly voted and must be certified to the Ministerial Relations Committee by the moderator of the meeting.

12. The Annual Conference Delegate(s) shall present and prosecute the call before the Ministerial Relations Committee.

4. Duty of Minister

a. Ministers receiving calls shall reply in writing within three weeks.

b. If it appear desirable, after he has received a call, the minister may confer with the nominating committee so the parties may become acquainted with the particular needs of the church and with proposed methods, opportunities, or obligations.

5. Action of Annual Conference on the Call of the Pastor.

a. Preliminary actions by the Ministerial Relations Committee.

1. The Nominating Committee shall confer with the Ministerial Relations Committee as provided in Section A, paragraph 3 b.

2. The Ministerial Relations Committee must approve the name of the candidate before it is presented to the congregation.

3. Every call must be placed in the hands of the Ministerial Relations Committee by the moderator of the congregational meeting and the Annual Conference Delegate(s). The Ministerial Relations Committee must find that the Nominating Committee had followed the required steps as provided in the Faith and Order.

b. When the call of the congregation is unanimous, or nearly so, the Ministerial Relations Committee may approve the call. If it is unable to approve the call, the Committee must submit the entire matter to Annual Conference at its next session, together with its recommendations. The delegate(s) to Annual Conference shall prosecute the call before the Annual Conference.

c. When a call is approved, the Annual Conference Delegate(s) shall place it in the hands of the minister called.

d. The minister called shall respond in writing within three weeks after having received the call.

B. MAINTAINING THE PASTORAL RELATION

1. Ministerial Relations Committee. On the denominational level the Ministerial Relations Committee is charged with the chief responsibility in maintaining good pastoral relations. It shall be established and elected in order that the spiritual and temporal welfare of the ministers and congregations of the Bible Fellowship Church may be properly sustained. The election of this committee shall take precedence over all other Annual Conference Boards, Committees, and Appointments. Unless Annual Conference otherwise provides, the Committee shall elect its own chairman and vice-chairman who shall serve until their successors have been elected.

To the Ministerial Relations Committee Annual Conference shall assign the supervision of its churches without pastors, Direct access to this Committee shall be available at all times to all ministers in the Conference, and to all members of Official Boards, in matters relative to the spiritual and temporal welfare of the churches in which they severally hold office.

2. Consultation and Advice.

a. Because the relationship between pastor and congregation began under mutual agreement and at the direction of Christ, the Head of the Church, the parties of this relationship bear the chief

responsibility for its proper maintenance through Christ's enabling. Help of the Ministerial Relations Committee shall be sought only when internal discussion of problems results in no mutually acceptable solution.

b. When external help is needed, the Ministerial Relations Committee shall represent Annual Conference in providing such help.

3. Composition and Election of the Ministerial Relations Committee.

a. The Committee shall be elected by Annual Conference.

b. The Committee shall be comprised of three classes and shall be composed of four ordained ministers who are serving as pastors and three laymen who are elders.

c. The term of office shall be for three years; no one is eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms. (At the beginning members shall be in three classes, serving terms of one, two and three years.)

d. Four members shall constitute a quorum. This Committee may, from its membership, establish such sub-committees as may meet its working requirements.

e. When a member of the Ministerial Relations Committee becomes personally involved in a ministerial problem, he shall disqualify himself from acting in such cases.

f. Direct access to this Committee shall be available to all ministers and to all members of the Official Board at all times. In corresponding with the Committee, letters shall be addressed to the Committee's secretary.

4. Duties of the Ministerial Relations Committee.

a. The Committee's role is that of consultation and advice; and, except in unusual circumstances, it is permitted to act only when matters are brought to its attention. To compel attention referrals must be by:

1. Pastors of the conference, regarding matters pertaining to their own churches.

2. Members of Official Boards regarding matters pertaining to their own churches.

b. When difficulties within a particular church are not too widely known, the Committee with the Pastoral Relations Committee of the congregation shall seek a solution to the problem.

c. If the matter has reached the stage of widespread rumor or general knowledge within the congregation and even in the community, a formal and public visit is in order. Except in cases of emergency, arrangements for such visits to a particular church shall be made by contacting the Secretary of the Official Board.

d. It is mandatory that a church or pastor having problems consult with the Ministerial Relations Committee before initiating any action leading to a dissolution of the pastoral relationship.

e. The first consideration of the Ministerial Relations Committee is the maintenance of a happy relationship between pastor and people. If problems arise, the Committee's duty is to work toward resolving the difficulties. Only after every effort to resolve a problem is exhausted, will thought be given to terminating the pastoral relationship.

f. When this Committee cannot resolve a problem submitted to it, the problem shall be brought to Annual Conference for final solution, with the recommendations of the Committee.

g. It shall submit a report to each Annual Conference and make recommendations as to the minimum minister's salary.

5. Minister's Salary. The call of the minister is a covenant between him and the church he serves and involves the following responsibilities:

a. It shall provide a basic salary. In addition, it shall include provision of a parsonage, including payment as an expense paid out of church income, of the cost of heat, light, telephone, and all other utilities.

b. Each congregation is bound by the requirement: We promise and oblige ourselves to review with you the adequacy of this compensation annually.

c. Whatever the amount of the annual payment of salary, each congregation agrees to pay or to continue to pay into the Ministers' Retirement Fund that requisite per cent of said salary which may be fixed by Annual Conference for the participation of the pastor in the Ministers' Retirement Fund.

d. Whatever the amount of the annual payment of salary, each congregation agrees to pay or to continue to pay annually a sum equivalent to that self-employment tax as may be levied upon the pastor by the Congress of the United States under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act.

e. Whatever the amount of the annual payment of salary, each congregation agrees to pay or to continue to pay for the Health and Welfare benefits as offered by Annual Conference.

f. The Ministerial Relations Committee shall approve the call and its details; i.e. the covenant. It shall establish the time the covenant goes into effect. It shall report annually to Annual Conference on the adequacy of the compensation of the pastors. It shall fix the date of the dissolution of the pastorate, at which time the covenant ends.

C. DISSOLUTION OF THE PASTORAL RELATION

Except as Annual Conference may delegate authority to the Ministerial Relations Committee, its approval is necessary to the formation of the pastoral relation and to its dissolution. This authority may be exercised on the petition of the pastor, or on the judgment of Annual Conference without petition. Action taken on "resignation of the pastor or petition of the people" is the normal form of such dissolution. Rules covering the normal process are 1 through 4 of this section. Action taken on the "judgment of Annual Conference, without petition" is effected by administrative discipline as covered by Paragraph 5 in this section.

1. The Normal Process. If a minister desires to resign from his pastorate, he shall submit his resignation to the church by sending a letter to the Secretary of the Official Board, and he shall at the same time submit a copy of said letter to the Chairman of the Ministerial Relations Committee.

a. The Ministerial Relations Committee shall cite the church to appear by members of the Official Board, or the church may so appear upon its own motion, to show cause, if it has any, why Annual Conference should not accept the resignation. If the church shall fail to appear, or if its reasons for retaining its pastor be deemed insufficient, his resignation may be accepted. The Ministerial Relations Committee may approve the resignation and set its effective date. If the Committee is unable to approve the resignation, it must refer the problem to Annual Conference with recommendations.

b. Ordinarily such action presents no difficulties. The usual practice is for the Official Board to call a congregational meeting, in accordance with our rules, to vote concurrence with the minister's resignation. The presentation of the resignation of the pastoral charge by the minister and the concurrence of the congregation leads to the action of Annual Conference dissolving the pastoral relation, and a fixing of the effective date.

2. Churches Desiring Dissolution of Pastorate.

a. If a church desires a dissolution of the pastoral relation, a similar procedure shall be observed. The title of this paragraph implies that problems exist between pastor and people. It is required then, that all procedures set forth in Section B, for maintaining the pastoral relationship have been followed diligently. Nevertheless, the relationship continues to be an unhappy one. But

whether the minister or the church initiates proceedings for a dissolution of the relationship, there shall always be a meeting of the congregation called precisely as prescribed in Section A, paragraph 3e, and conducted in the same manner as prescribed in Section A, paragraph 3f.

If this action is undertaken unilaterally by the church, it must be in the form of a petition to Annual Conference asking that its pastoral relationship be dissolved. This petition must be prepared in consultation with the Ministerial Relations Committee and it must be submitted to Annual Conference through the Ministerial Relations Committee.

b. Unless the pastor resigns, there is no provision for dissolution of the pastoral relationship except as provided in Section C. Paragraph 2a., or in Section C. Paragraph 5.

3. Consultation and Help for Ministers seeking change of Pastorate.

a. Ministerial Relations Committee. A part of the purpose for the Ministerial Relations Committee is to facilitate the exchange of information concerning ministers seeking new pastorates and vacant churches seeking new ministers. Counsel and advice should be given by Ministerial Relations Committee which should insist on such ministers giving information concerning their education, background, and experience, for reference. Suggestions may be given of churches presently vacant, of assistant pastors needed, or of opportunities for those of special talents for administrative work, etc.

b. It may sometimes be wise for Annual Conference, through its Ministerial Relations Committee, to suggest a different calling to one whose experience and disappointment raise a question as to his call to the ministry. Other areas of Christian service, even those open to laymen, may be more suitable to some who have been willing to serve as ministers.

4. Consultation and Help for Churches Seeking a Change of Pastorate. The help of the Ministerial Relations Committee shall be available and willingly given that both church and minister may find satisfactory relations. The friendly help thus given through patience and positive action may prevent the appearance of discord and the resulting harm to both minister and congregation.

5. Dissolution of Pastoral Relation by Annual Conference after Investigation. There are several ways in which irregularities come before Annual Conference for official action:

a. By report of the Ministerial Relations Committee to Annual Conference when it is unable to solve a problem by simple counsel and advice.

b. By the motion of a member of Annual Conference whose conscience requires him to act in regard to the pastoral relationship.

c. By general review and control.

The following were elected:

COMMITTEE TO PUBLISH FELLOWSHIP NEWS: Willard E. Cassel, William Hunsberger, Bruce A. Ellingson

Resolved, that we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet at 3 p. m.

Adjourned at 12:24 p. m. with prayer by Arthur H. Frable.

Eighth Meeting Wednesday Afternoon, October 13, 1971

The meeting opened at 3:00 p.m. with prayer by John M. Stengele, especially remembering Mrs. Donald R. Knauer.

The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

Whereas, we have approved a new system of Pulpit Supply, and

Whereas, several questions have been raised in the discussion on the method of transition, therefore

Resolved, that we proceed to elect the Ministerial Relation Committee today and ask them to bring recommendations to the Conference this week on the steps in making the transition from our old system to our new system.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (3 years) Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Keith Plows

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH: (See Report, Page 89).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, that we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet at 7:30 p. m.

Adjourned at 4:16 p. m. with prayer by James Weidner.

Ninth Meeting Wednesday Evening, October 13, 1971

The meeting was opened at 7:30 p. m.

The minutes were read and approved as read.

A time of sharing from I John was enjoyed.

The following was elected:

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (3 Years) William R. Hunsberger

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE: (See report, page 101)

The report was accepted.

The following were elected:

MINISTERIAL RELATION COMMITTEE: Ministers (3 years) Jansen E. Hartman, John H. Riggall, (2 years) David E. Thomann, (1 year) Ronald C. Mahurin, Laymen (3 years) John Deily, (2 years) Bryon C. Cassel, (1 year) Horace A. Kauffman.

Resolved, that we extend the time to complete the election of the Ministerial Relation Committee.

During the time of the casting of ballots, the body entered into an informal discussion on the operation of the Pinebrook ministries.

Resolved, that we adjourn. Adjourned at 11:14 p.m. with prayer by Leonard Kessler.

Tenth Meeting Thursday Morning, October 14, 1971

The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

Devotions: Songleader, Keith E. Plows; Prayer, E. J. Dietzman; Message, Frank L. Herb, Jr.

Resolved, that Frank L. Herb, Jr., be encouraged to adapt his devotional messages of this Conference for publication in FELLOWSHIP NEWS.

REPORT OF THE PINEBROOK CONFERENCE BOARD: (See report, page 102).

The report was accepted.

The discussion of the work at Pinebrook was continued.

Recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10:50 a.m.

Resolved, that we extend the time to adjourn no later than 12:25 p.m.

Resolved, that we adjourn. Adjourned at 12:25 p.m. with prayer by Richard J. Gehman

Eleventh Meeting
Thursday Afternoon, October 14, 1971

The meeting was opened at 1:30 p.m. with prayer by George Harper. The Minutes were read and approved.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS: (See report, page 104).

The report was accepted.

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

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE SERVICE BOARD (See report, page 106).

The report was accepted.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (Ministers) James A. Beil, Carl C. Cassel, Jansen E. Hartman, James G. Koch, John H. Riggall.

Resolved, that the Finance Committee be discontinued as of the 88th Annual Conference. The "Pastor's Financial Report" shall be discontinued. The information contained in the report of the Financial Committee shall hereafter be complied by the Treasurers of the Boards of Foreign Missions and Church Extension. These Boards shall incorporate this information in their reports to Annual Conference. These Boards shall also furnish the same information to the Statistical Committee so it is available for use by the latter on the Tuesday preceding the first session of Annual Conference.

The Chairman made the following appointments:

COMMITTEE ON AGENDA: Willard E. Cassel, John Herb, Harold C. Weaber.

COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM FOR NEXT ANNUAL CONFERENCE: James G. Koch, Frank L. Herb, Jr., John Deily, Clyde W. Snyder.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION AND PRINTING: John Dunn, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., David E. Thomann.

COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATION OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE MINUTES: David L. Branning, LeRoy C. Wilcox.

COMMITTEE TO PUBLISH THE YEAR BOOK (1972): Robert W. Smock, Willard E. Cassel, David E. Thomann.

Resolved, that the above appointments be approved.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH: (Laymen) Horace A. Kauffman, Byron C. Cassel, James R. Cressman, Robert W. Truett.

Resolved, that the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church be, and it hereby is, authorized to borrow \$50,000, using Pinebrook real estate as collateral if necessary, to provide working capital for the Pinebrook Service Board. The interest on this loan shall be borne by the Pinebrook Conference Board and the Pinebrook Junior College on a ratio of 77.5 and 22.5 respectively.

(Yes 61; No 15)

Resolved, that the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church, the Pinebrook Conference Board, Pinebrook Service Board and the Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College each elect 3 men from their respective membership so as to formulate a committee to study the organizational and financial structure for the management of Pinebrook to report to the Adjourned Session of this Conference with specific recommendations and, further,

Resolved, that the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church shall moderate.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE: (Ministers) LeRoy S. Heller

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

Adjourned at 4:03 p.m. with prayer by Stanley Kalbach.

Twelfth Meeting Thursday Evening, October 14, 1971

The minutes were read and approved as read.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE: (laymen) James Herrold, Clyde W. Snyder, Warren L. Zimmerman

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Committee met and organized by electing Jansen E. Hartman, Chairman and Byron C. Cassel, Secretary.

Following are resolutions adopted by the Committee:

"Resolved, that we declare that our Pulpit Supply System shall become effective at the adjournment of the 88th Annual Conference, October 15, 1971. This means that all relationships established at this Annual Conference shall continue indefinitely. It also means that each of the churches that is without a pastor has the privilege of invoking all of the provisions of our system immediately.

"Resolved, that we declare that the "FORM OF CALL" shall be used by each particular church when it next calls a pastor to its pulpit. It is the recommendation of the Committee, however, that each of our churches make an effort when it is establishing its next budget, to bring its financial support of its Pastor into line with the provisions contained in the 'FORM OF CALL'.

"Resolved, that the Ministerial Relations Committee accept the care of the churches that are without pastors at the adjournment of the 88th Annual Conference on October 15, 1971."

Except as noted below, any communication to the Committee shall be addressed to its Secretary:

Byron C. Cassel, Secretary
Ministerial Relations Committee
Bible Fellowship Church
747 Hillcrest Ave., Glenside, Pa. 19038

If the communication is being sent under the provisions of Section C. Paragraph 1, it shall be sent to the Committee's Chairman:

Rev. Jansen E. Hartman, Chairman
Ministerial Relations Committee
Bible Fellowship Church
1122 Hampden Boulevard, Reading, Pa. 19604

Ministerial Relations Committee:
Jansen E. Hartman,
Byron C. Cassel
John L. Deily
Horace A. Kauffman
Ronald C. Mahurin
John H. Riggall
David E. Thomann

Resolved, that we accept this report and the provisions of this report be adopted as policy.

A time of sharing from I John 5 was enjoyed.

Resolved, that each church contribute an offering or allocate in its budget, a sum of money to help meet the financial need of the Pinebrook Service Board. Checks shall be made payable to the Treasurer of the Board and sent no later than March 1, 1972.

The following were elected:

PINEBROOK CONFERENCE BOARD: Frank L. Herb, Jr., Norman W. Granda

Resolved, that the Board of Directors elect two of their members to serve as non-voting advisory members of the Pinebrook Service Board.

The following were elected:

PINEBROOK SERVICE BOARD: Robert Breitegam, Ronald Ensminger, George E. Herb

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: (Ministers) (2 years) LeRoy S. Heller, William W. Mull, (1 year) David L. Branning, Bruce A. Ellingson; (Laymen) (3 years) Robert W. Truett, (2 years) LeRoy O. Herb, Norman L. Reed, (1 year) Leon H. Naudasher, Willard Stull.

Resolved, that we extend the time indefinitely.

Resolved, that we adjourn. Adjourned at 9:31 p.m. with prayer by Burton Deppe.

Thirteenth Meeting Friday Morning, October 15, 1971

Devotions: Songleader, David E. Thomann; Prayer, T. Lamarn Manney; Message, Frank L. Herb, Jr.

The Conference entered into the observance of the Lord's Supper

The minutes were read and approved as read.

The Pinebrook Junior College Budget for 1971-72 was considered.

Resolved, that we approve presentation to our churches of the following Administrative Budget proposed for 1972-73:

ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET PROPOSED FOR 1972-1973
COMPARED WITH BUDGET APPROVED FOR 1971-1972

	Approved for 1971-1972	Proposed for 1972-1973
1. Publication and Printing	500.00	1,500.
2. Conference Entertainment	1,600.00	1,600.
3. Beneficiary Fund	1,000.00	1,000.
4. Ministers' Retirement Fund	6,000.00	8,500.
5. Moving Fund	5,000.00	5,000.
6. Expenses for Boards & Committ. while transacting Con. Bus.	1,600.00	2,100.
7. Other Exp. of Board of Directors	350.00	350.
8. Ministerial Conv. Expenses	450.00	450.
9. Ministers' Assistance Fund	3,000.00	3,000.
10. Health & Welfare Ins. for Pastors and Dependents	13,024. 12	16,000. *
11. For use by Ministerial Cand. Com. for Interships	1,000.00	1,000.
12. Contingencies	500.00	500.
Totals	\$ 34,024. 12	\$ 41,000.

*Includes insurance coverage (\$31.54/month) for Pastors of 42 churches contributing to the Budget.

Recessed at 10:34 a.m. Reconvened at 10:54 a.m.

Whereas, the Board of Christian Education was created by this Annual Conference, and

Whereas, this Board requires immediately a means to transact financial business, therefore be it by the Rule of Exception

Resolved, that the Board of Christian Education elect a Treasurer from among its membership and that said Treasurer shall receive, deposit and disburse monies assigned to the Board as directed by the Board.

Resolved, that the report of each Board and Committee made to Annual Conference shall include a report by its Treasurer stating the total amount of cash on hand and the depository where this fund is being maintained.

The following budget of the Board of Church Extension was presented:

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION
PROPOSED BUDGET
October 1, 1972 - September 30, 1973

Receipts:

Balance Brought Forward 10/1/72		00.00	
Offerings	\$ 49,000.		
Interest	500.	49,500.00	
Total Receipts			49,500.00

Expenditures:

Appropriations:

Churches	6,000.		
Missions	22,000.		
TIE Team	1,000.		
PISCES	3,600.		
		32,600.	

Administrative:

Director	7,500.		
Director's Mileage	1,800.		
Director's Par. Maint.	600.		
Director's Operating	1,500.		
Taxes	400.		
Board Expenses	600.		
		12,400.	

General:

Contingency	500.	500.	
Total Expenditures			45,500.
Balance in Treasury, 10/30/73			4,000.

The Board of Church Extension calls to your attention the Church offering goal of \$49,000 for 1972, 1973 and the offering goal of \$55,000 for 1973, 1974.

Resolved, that we accept this budget.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDITING (See pg. 113)

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE ANNUAL
CONFERENCE MINUTES (See page 112)

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS:

Whereas, A.L. Seifert has this past year served as Pinebrook Bible Conference Director, therefore,

Resolved, that we thank God for His care and guidance of our brother, and, further,

Resolved, that we express our appreciation to A. L. Seifert for his devotion to this work.

Whereas, we, the members of the 88th Annual Conference, have benefited from the able leadership of our distinguished Chairman, therefore,

Resolved, that we express our appreciation to C. E. Kirkwood for the expeditious way in which he chaired this Conference.

Whereas, David J. Watkins has been used of the Lord in such a remarkable way as President of Pinebrook Junior College, therefore,

Resolved, that we express to God our grateful praise for His leadership and pledge him our faithful prayer support.

Whereas, Daniel G. Ziegler has exhibited such a spirit of enthusiasm and vision as Director of the Church Extension Department, therefore

Resolved, that we praise our God for his missionary zeal and deep concern for the extension of the church, and, further

Resolved, that we express to him our deepest appreciation and pledge to him our continued prayerful support.

Whereas, the ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church have faithfully served the Lord and have sought under God to minister to the needs of their people, therefore

Resolved, that we thank God for calling, enabling and empowering these brethren for the work of the ministry.

Whereas, Byron 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.

Whereas, the 88th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church has been graciously entertained by the Pinebrook staff and volunteers, therefore

Resolved, that we hereby express our gratitude for their provision by a rising vote of thanks at the noon meal on Friday, October 15, 1971.

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 Committee on Publication and Printing.

Whereas, Missionaries James Bigley, Leonard Buck, Richard Gehman, Ronald Hoyle, Olive Rawn and Brian H. Butler attended and briefly addressed this Annual Conference, therefore

Resolved, that we praise God for separating these and all of our missionaries unto His service and assure them of our interest and prayers relative to their ministries.

Whereas, F. B. Hertzog, Administrator of the Bible Fellowship Home has reported to this Annual Conference on its progress and future plans, therefore be it

Resolved, that we express our appreciation for his faithful and dedicated service.

Whereas, T. D. Gehret, General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, reported to this Annual Conference and has served well in this capacity, therefore be it

Resolved, that we express our appreciation for his faithfulness to the task and that God's continued blessing be upon his life.

Whereas, Robert W. Smock and R. C. Reichenbach have been Editor and Business Manager of FELLOWSHIP NEWS and,

Whereas, both of these men have diligently labored in carrying out their responsibilities, therefore be it

Resolved, that we express our appreciation for their dedicated service to this important ministry.

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

Whereas, invitations for the Adjourned Session of Annual Conference have been received from the Lancaster and Lebanon Churches and the Lebanon Church yields to the Lancaster Church, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Adjourned Session of the 88th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convene at the Faith Bible Fellowship Church, Prospect and Hager Streets, Lancaster, Pa. on Saturday, March 25, 1972 at 9:00 a.m.

Resolved, that the 89th Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convene at Pinebrook, Stroudsburg, Pa., October 9, 1972 at 10:00 a.m.

Resolved, that the reading of Page H, 1970 Yearbook, paragraph fifth, "seventy years" shall be changed to read "sixty five" (second reading)

Resolved, that each pastor, shortly after the election of Conference Delegate, shall inform the Secretary of Annual Conference of the results of that election.

Resolved, that yearbooks shall be ordered and paid for at Annual Conference.

Resolved, that all monies which are due to conference boards and committees be forwarded to them prior to August 31 of the year of the year in which they are to be reported.

Resolved, that the instructions on page 125 and 126 of the 1970 Yearbook be inserted in the 1971 Yearbook.

The following is presented for First Reading:

Whereas, in recent years, various boards and committees have presented and Annual Conference has adopted resolutions regarding the receipt of their respective offerings, therefore be it

Resolved, that the following become part of our Standing Rules:

1. Each church shall make an annual contribution to the Board of Christian Education at the Adjourned Session of Annual Conference.

2. Each church shall contribute to the support of Pinebrook Junior College, to be remitted to the college in twelve monthly payments.

3. All Church Extension funds shall be forwarded quarterly to the Treasurer of the Board of Church Extension.

4. Each church shall make an annual contribution to the Bible Fellowship Church Home. Checks shall be made payable to the Bible Fellowship Church Home and submitted by April 1 of each year.

5. Each church shall make an annual contribution to Victory Valley Camp. Checks shall be made payable to Victory Valley Camp and sent to the Financial Secretary of the Board of Victory Valley before March 1 of each year.

6. All foreign missions funds shall be forwarded quarterly to the General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Resolved, that we extend the time.

Resolved, that we adjourn. Adjourned at 12:25 p.m. with prayer by Clayton Dietz.

**Fourteenth Meeting
Friday Afternoon, October 15, 1971**

Donald R. Knauer led in prayer.

The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

The following were elected:

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE: Bright N. Heist

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE
(2 years) John H. Herb (As a replacement for Keith E. Plows, who resigned from the Board)

Resolved, that all material in our Faith and Order By-Laws, Standing Rules or in Minutes of Annual Conference relating to Pulpit Supply, except the material approved on second reading at the 88th Annual Conference be, and hereby is removed from our church law.

Resolved, that the Committee to Publish the Yearbook (1971) publish 1000 copies of the newly adopted Pulpit Supply System for use by the Ministerial Relations Committee. The cost of this publication shall be provided from the funds of the Committee on Publication and Printing.

Whereas, the present rate of eight (8¢) cents per mile does not cover traveling costs, and

Whereas, a higher figure was approved last year for first reading, therefore be it

Resolved, that the traveling expenses for official conference be ten (10¢) cents per mile, effective October 15, 1971, and be it further

Resolved, that we vote by rule of exception.

Resolved, that the term of office for those elected and appointed by this body shall be for the term designated by our Rules for that office or until successors are chosen.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS: (See report, page 113).

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMBINED COMMITTEE TO STUDY PUBLICATIONS:

The following report was adopted - First Reading

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. Stationery, etc., used by the Annual Conference Secretariat

3. It shall determine amount and pay the honorariums of:

- a. Editorial Staff of FELLOWSHIP NEWS
- b. Business Manager of FELLOWSHIP NEWS

4. It shall receive the following funds:

- a. Revenue from FELLOWSHIP NEWS subscriptions
- b. Revenue from Boards contributing to the publication of FELLOWSHIP NEWS
- c. Revenue from sale of Annual Conference Year Books or any other Conference literature authorized to be produced and sold by Annual Conference.
- d. Appropriation from Administrative Budget

5. 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.

6. It shall investigate possible areas of expansion in the field of literature and printing.

7. 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:

1970 Year Book, p. B (under Standing Boards & Committees):

1. Committee on Publication and Printing
2. Committee to Publish Year Book
3. Committee to Publish FELLOWSHIP NEWS

1970 Year Book, p. D (Under Year Books):

1. "and Publisher"

1970 Year Book, p. D (Under Boards and Committees):

1. Once in each of the first two paragraphs: "Committee on Publication and Printing"

1970 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 and 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. Thoman, Com.)

Recessed at 3:02 p.m. Reconvened at 4:03 p.m.

Resolved, that we hold a special adjourned session on Saturday, January 22, 1972 (Alternate date, Saturday, January 29, 1972) at 9:00 a.m. at the Lebanon Bible Fellowship Church to consider the Government Committee's report for Second Reading.

Resolved, that we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet at 5:45 p.m.

Fifteenth Meeting Friday Evening, October 15, 1971

The meeting was opened at 5:45 p.m. with singing and prayer by Donald T. Kirkwood.

The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

Eligibility List as requested by the New Pulpit Supply System:

Bean, E. W.
Beil, James A.
Branning, David L.
Brosius, Bert N.
Byrd, Terris
Cassel, Willard E.
Dunn, John

Koch, James G.
Mahurin, Ronald C.
Minnig, Robert A.
Mull, William W.
Overpeck, Leon K.
Phillips, D. Thomas
Plows, Keith E.

Ellingson, Bruce
 Frable, Arthur H.
 Fritz, Harvey J. Jr.
 Hartman, Jansen E.
 Hartman, W. W.
 Heffner, William A.
 Heller, LeRoy S.
 Herb, Frank L., Jr.
 Herb, George E.
 Herb, John H.
 Johnson, Robert F.
 Kirkwood, C. E.
 Knauer, Donald R.

Reichenbach, R. C.
 Riggall, John H.
 Seifert, A. L.
 Shelly, Austin G.
 Smaock, Robert W.
 Spackman, Carl K.
 Thomann, David E.
 Weaber, Harold C.
 Wilcox, LeRoy C.
 Yoder, Keith L.
 Ziegler, Daniel G.
 Zimmerman, Paul G.

Recessed at 6:20 p.m. Reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

REPORT OF THE STATIONING COMMITTEE (See report, page 115).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, that permission be granted to the Pinebrook Conference Board to make the Conference Director a full-time Director. (Yes 44; No 31)

Resolved, that we adjourn.

Adjourned at 7:44 p.m. with prayer by Jansen E. Hartman.

REPORTS

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM

Theme: "Spiritual Imperatives and Priorities for Our Church Today"

Monday, October 11, 1971

Bert N. Brosius	Song Leader
Robert Breitegam	Invocation
Frank L. Herb, Jr.	Message

Tuesday, October 12, 1971

Carl C. Cassel	Song Leader
Ronald Ensminger	Invocation
Frank L. Herb, Jr.	Message

Wednesday, October 13, 1971

LeRoy S. Heller	Song Leader
Norman W. Granda	Invocation
Frank L. Herb, Jr.	Message

Thursday, October 14, 1971

Keith E. Plows	Song Leader
Edward J. Dietzman	Invocation
Frank L. Herb, Jr.	Message

Friday, October 15, 1971

David E. Thomann	Song Leader
Nicholas Sheetz	Invocation
Frank L. Herb, Jr.	Message

The suggested worship period each morning shall be 45 minutes in length following the roll call. The program shall consist of a hymn, invocation, message and hymn. Keith E. Plows or David E. Thomann shall serve as pianist. The Observance of the Lord's Supper shall be held on Friday morning following the message.

A 30 minute sharing session shall be held each evening Monday through Thursday from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. with the following Scripture readings by the designated pastors:

Monday	E. W. Bean	I John 1:1-2:17
Tuesday	John Dunn	I John 2:18-3:24
Wednesday	W. W. Hartman	I John 4:1-5:12
Thursday	William A. Heffner	I John 5:13-21

(Jansen E. Hartman, Leon K. Overpeck, Norman W. Granda, Norman L. Reed, Committee).

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The Committee on Credentials held nine 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 except those in retirement. All the brethren signed and returned it, having answered all questions in the affirmative, except as follows:

1. Some brethren, not presently pastoring a Bible Fellowship Church did not answer yes to question four.

2. Donald T. Kirkwood has requested that his name be removed from the roll of Ordained Ministers Working Under the Direction of the Bible Fellowship Church and be placed upon the roll of Ordained Ministers on Leave of Absence, effective at the reading of the Stationing Report at the 88th Annual Conference.

3. Brian H. Butler has requested that his name be placed on the roll of Ordained Missionaries. He has been appointed to Moorlands Bible College, Sopley, England, under the Greater Europe Mission.

4. Daniel G. Ziegler answered yes to question four but observed that his duties as Director of the Church Extension Department will place considerable limitations on his time and energy in a pastorate.

The Ministerial Candidate Committee has recommended that Richard Gehman, Carl Spackman, Paul Zimmerman and Arthur Frable be ordained to the Christian Ministry.

Richard Gehman was an instructor for three years at Berean Bible School and has completed one term (4 1/2 years) of service with the Africa Inland Mission as instructor at Scott Theological College in Kenya. He is recommended for ordination by the Board of Foreign Missions.

Carl Spackman, Paul Zimmerman and Arthur Frable have pastored Bible Fellowship Churches during their probationary period and evidence the Lord's approval upon their ministry. They have been under the care of the Ministerial Candidate Committee.

The Credentials Committee, after an examination of these men, believe 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 Carl Spackman, Paul Zimmerman, Arthur Frable and Richard Gehman be ordained at a service to be held on Thursday, November 18, 1971, at 8:00 p.m. at Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church at Bethlehem, Pa.

The Credentials Committee shall be in charge of this service.

Whereas, Donald T. Kirkwood has requested that his name be placed on the roll of Ordained Ministers on Leave of Absence, therefore, we,

Recommend, that his request be granted.

Whereas, Brian H. Butler has requested that his name be placed on the roll of Ordained Missionaries, therefore, we,

Recommend, That his request be granted.

Whereas, Reynold D. Gardner, by failure to respond to an ultimatum from the Credentials Committee, has indicated that he no longer desires to hold credentials with us, and,

Whereas, He has taken membership in a church outside the Bible Fellowship denomination, and,

Whereas, He has been well established in secular employment for the past six years, therefore, we,

Recommend, that his ordination credentials be withdrawn.

We recommend, That the two resolutions appearing on the Faith and Order Questionnaire be placed in the standing rules.

They are as follows:

"RESOLVED: that the mimeographed copies of the Articles of Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church which have been adopted by Annual Conference be our Official FAITH AND ORDER and, further,

RESOLVED: that this be the Official FAITH AND ORDER to which the Pastor shall subscribe."

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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.	Knauer, Donald R.
Branning, David L.	Koch, James G.
Brosius, Bert N.	Mahurin, Ronald C.
Cassel, Carl C.	Mull, William W.
Cassel, Willard E.	Overpeck, Leon K.
Dunn, John	Plows, Keith E.
Ellingson, Bruce A.	Reichenbach, R.C.
* Frable, Arthur H.	Riggall, John H.
Fritz, Harvey J., Jr.	Siefert, A.L.
Hartman, Jansen E.	Shelly, Austin G.

Hartman, W.W.
 Heffner, William A.
 Heller, LeRoy S.
 Herb, Frank L., Jr.
 Herb, George E.
 Herb, John H.
 Johnson, Robert F.

Smock, Robert W.
 * Spackman, Carl K.
 Thomann, David E.
 Watkins, David J.
 Weaver, Harold C.
 Ziegler, Daniel G.
 * Zimmerman, Paul G.

B. Ordained Missionaries:

Bigley, James
 * Butler, Brian H.
 Buck, Leonard
 * Gehman, Richard
 Gordon, Robert

Harley, J. Barclay
 Hertzog, Roy
 Moyer, Edward
 Stengele, Laird F.

C. Ordained Ministers Working With Other Organizations:

Cassel, Alva C.
 Dotts, Raymond R.
 Frank, Walter H.

Miller, C. Leslie
 Schaeffer, Donald B.
 Yarrington, Harold D.

D. Ordained Ministers in Retirement:

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

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

E. Ordained Ministers On Leave of Absence:

Hottel W. B.

* Kirkwood, Donald T.

*Contingent upon approval of recommendations in this report.

(John H. Riggall, Chairman; Frank L. Herb, Jr., Secretary;
 Willard E. Cassel, James G. Koch, Keith E. Plows, Committee)

REPORT OF THE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP GENERAL COMMITTEE

The Youth Fellowship General Committee met five times during the Conference year to plan and implement its work. Following each event or program, a thorough evaluation was conducted at Committee meetings, in some cases based on evaluation forms distributed among young people. The Committee has a keen awareness of its responsibilities to the Youth and Churches of our Conference. We praise God for His working this past year in the lives of many young people. Pray with us for an increasing impact for Christ on this strategic sector of our congregations.

The custom of sponsoring a Conference-wide Thanksgiving Rally was again followed, with the rally held on Thanksgiving Friday at

Christopher Dock High School near Lansdale. Robert Strain was youth speaker, with music provided by Robert Straton and the Image Singers. Although attendance was somewhat less than the last two years, it was felt the Rally was a very worthwhile endeavor. An entirely different program format is being planned for Thanksgiving, 1971.

A fine experience was given of the Lord in the Sno-Glo winter retreats at Pinebrook. 506 young people were registered for the combined week ends in January, with speakers David J. Watkins and Frank Chivalette. Partial fulfillment of a long time desire of this Committee was initiated when the youth sponsors met separately at Sno-Glo.

Representing this Committee, Bruce Ellingson and David Branning attended Urbana Missions Conference over the Christmas holidays, along with a number of youth from our Bible Fellowship Churches. All reports indicated it was a significant highlight in both missionary vision, and in breadth and depth of Christian fellowship.

A basketball tournament was conducted March 20, with a fine spirit of enthusiasm.

178 young people attended the Youth Section of the Sunday School Convention at Reading. Speakers included Bill Knudsen and Elmer Townes; music was provided by the Wagner brothers from the Royersford area.

The most successful Pinebrook Youth Week to date was experienced August 14-21 this past summer. 103 Youth were registered, along with a number of sponsors and staff. Some 80 decisions of various types were registered during the week, including decisions for salvation, confession and forsaking of sin, and surrender to Christ for His will in a career. The principal speaker was Pastor Frank Robinson of Folcroft Union Church, Philadelphia. A variety of classes were conducted each morning by staff members dealing with subjects of concern to youth. Simultaneously with the youth program, a daily well attended morning session was conducted for youth sponsors, spearheaded by Herb Gilfoy. This has been a concern of the Committee for several years. Feedback recorded by the young people on questionnaires was carefully evaluated by the Committee. By continually analyzing both strong and weak points in all programs, the Committee attempts to improve the quality, effectiveness, and relevance of the work undertaken, with the constant intent of both winning young people to Christ, and nurturing Christian young people toward maturity in Christ. While various churches supported Youth Week at Pinebrook in a heartening manner, with some sending a contingent of unsaved youth, other churches seem unconcerned or uncooperative in these attempts. We welcome helpful criticism; we wish to make the programs useful and effective for ALL the churches. Cooperate in every way you can; communicate when you feel you cannot cooperate.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We recommend that the second reading of the following proposed legislation be adopted by this conference. Resolved, that the Youth Fellowship General Committee be dissolved as of the 88th 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 considers a joint report of the Sunday School Promotion Committee and the revised Youth Fellowship General Committee further detailing the above proposed.

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). Until a joint Board is formed, the present system should be followed in providing funds for the Youth Fellowship General Committee.

(Ronald C. Mahurin, Chairman; William W. Mull, Secretary; LeRoy Herb, Treasurer; David L. Branning, Bruce A. Ellingson, Robert F. Johnson, Herbert Gilfoy, Ben Pattison, William Stull, Richard Taylor, Committee).

FINANCIAL

Balance Brought Forward	\$ 175.28
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Receipts:

Annual Gifts		310.00
Ocean City Refund		30.00
Thanksgiving Rally:		
Offering	192.84	
Refreshments	<u>178.15</u>	370.99
Sno-Glo Retreat:		
Registrations		8,871.83

Basketball '71:		
Registrations	160.00	
Refreshments	<u>160.29</u>	320.29
Pinebrook Youth Week		
Pre-registrations		<u>6.00</u> \$ 10,084.39

Disbursements:

Mileage & Tolls		139.32
Postage		42.26
Publicity & Printing		257.35
Refreshments		8.00
Telephone		86.37
Urbana Missions Con.		180.00
Thanksgiving Rally:		
Auditorium Rental	160.40	
Honoraria	285.00	
Refreshments	210.39	
Publicity	<u>33.00</u>	688.79

Sno-Glo Retreats:		
Room & Meals	6,663.45	
Honoraria	318.00	
Recreation	20.00	
Films	52.35	
Registration return	<u>21.00</u>	7,074.80

Basketball '71:		
Auditorium Rental	41.00	
Officials	20.00	
Refreshments	137.16	
Misc. Expense	<u>40.00</u>	238.16

Institute of Basic		
Youth Conflicts		135.00

Pinebrook Youth Week:		
Staff	500.00	
Waitress Tips	80.00	
Games	10.28	
Supplies	7.50	
Party	15.00	
Typing	<u>20.00</u>	632.78

Miscellaneous 15.90 \$ 9,498.73

Balance \$ 585.66

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION AND PRINTING FINANCIAL

Receipts:

Balance Brought Forward 10/1/70	1,934.29
Yearbooks	1,285.00
Board of Directors	500.00
	<u>1,785.00</u>
	\$3,719.29

Expenditures:

Annual Conference Officers	150.00
FELLOWSHIP NEWS	800.00
Yearbooks	1,305.00
Supplies for B. F. C.	333.23
Yearbook Editing	284.80
Miscellaneous	99.35
	<u>2,972.38</u>
Balance in Account 9/27/71	746.91
	<u>\$3,719.29</u>

(John Dunn, Chairman; Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Secretary; David E. Thomann, Committee).

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER

Board of Directors (General Fund)

Balance '70	(5,779.18)
Receipts	10,521.07
Disbursements	2,623.26
Balance '71	2,118.63

Superintendent's Parsonage

Balance '70	9,509.69
Receipts	-
Disbursements	7,062.37
Balance '71	2,447.32

Dormitory Fund

Balance '70	755.00
Receipts	-
Disbursements	755.00
Balance '71	-

Moving Fund

Balance '70	2,394.16
Receipts	1,362.90
Disbursements	1,774.46
Balance '71	1,982.60

Administration Budget

Balance '70	402.32
Receipts	26,805.39
Disbursements	27,207.71
Balance '71	-

Fund to Promote Church Extension

Balance '70	23,640.90
Receipts	40,754.86
Disbursements	53,872.66
Balance '71	10,523.10

Special Contributions Fund

Balance '70	405.57
Receipts	5,895.58
Disbursements	6,301.15
Balance '71	-

Revolving Loan Fund

Balance '70	-
Receipts	13,500.00
Disbursements	13,500.00
Balance '71	-

Pinebrook Fund

Balance '70	31,013.16
Receipts	1,251.61
Disbursements	31,162.65
Balance '71	1,102.12

<u>Ministers' Retirement Fund:</u>	<u>1st. Nat. Bank, Allen.</u>	<u>Red Hill</u>
Balance '70	22,428.29	2,925.18
Receipts	28,120.70	907.47
Disbursements	36,404.95	-
Balance '71	14,144.04	3,832.65

Health and Welfare Fund

Balance '70	375.68
Receipts	16,241.26
Disbursements	17,056.33
Balance '71	(439.39)

Pastors' Assistance Fund

Balance '70	-
Receipts	1,500.00
Disbursements	-
Balance '71	1,500.00

Board of Church Extension

Balance '70	55,995.10
Receipts	75,056.15
Disbursements	86,321.16
Balance '71	44,730.09

Committee on Publication and Printing

Balance '70	1,935.29
Receipts	1,784.00
Disbursements	2,960.48
Balance '71	758.81

Committee on Sunday School Promotion

Balance '70	1,969.48
Receipts	1,175.86
Disbursements	1,921.76
Balance '71	1,223.58

Board of Victory Valley

Balance '70	7,132.38
Receipts	25,925.22
Disbursements	32,460.55
Balance '71	597.05

Totals from above:

Balances '70	155,103.02
Receipts	250,802.07
Disbursements	321,384.49
Balances '71	84,520.60

Except those designated as "Red Hill Savings and Loan Association", all of the cash reported herein is on deposit in a checking account with the 1st National Bank of Allentown, Pa., designated "Bible Fellowship Church Conference Fund Account".

- Bryon C. Cassel, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE EIGHTIETH MINISTERIAL CONVENTION

The Eightieth Ministerial Convention convened on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 1 and 2, 1971 at Pinebrook Bible Conference.

The officers of the Convention were: Donald R. Knauer, Chairman; William W. Mull, Vice Chairman; and John H. Herb, Secretary. Other members of the Ministerial Convention Planning Committee were: George E. Herb and Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.

The Convention began on Tuesday morning, June 1, 1971 with Donald R. Knauer leading in singing, Scripture reading and prayer.

Dr. Lloyd M. Perry of the Trinity Evangelical Divinity School was the main speaker for the Convention. The lectures were based on the theme "Seminar on Biblical Preaching". Each lecture was divided into two parts. The first part was devotional in nature and the second part dealt with some aspect of the science of Biblical preaching. The devotionals throughout the Convention were based on the book of Jonah and Psalm 139.

Two lectures were held on Tuesday morning. Tuesday afternoon was set aside for recreation and relaxation. The business meeting of the Convention was held on Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. and the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, that the subject of the 1972 Ministerial Convention be "Church Growth and the Bible Fellowship Church".

Resolved, that the 1972 Ministerial Convention be conducted in the spring of 1972. Exact dates and place to be determined by the committee.

Resolved, that a Vice-Chairman of the 1972 Ministerial Convention be elected and further that he serve as the Chairman of the 1973 Ministerial Convention. Daniel G. Ziegler was elected.

Resolved, that a Secretary for the 1972 Ministerial Convention be elected. Robert Minnig was elected.

Resolved, that two members of the Ministerial Convention Committee be elected. David L. Branning and Austin G. Shelly were elected.

Whereas the Church Extension Board is preparing guidelines for Evangelism in 1973, therefore Resolved, that the Church Extension Board serve as the Committee to plan the Ministerial Convention for 1973.

The Tuesday evening meeting began at 7:30 p.m. with William Duane leading in prayer and Dr. Perry presenting his third lecture.

A Communion Service was held on Wednesday morning with Frank L. Herb, Jr., in charge. After leading in two hymns, he spoke on I Cor. 11:23-34 and the Lord's Supper was observed. Carl C. Cassel and Austin G. Shelly led in a season of prayer. The fourth and fifth lectures were presented by Dr. Perry.

The last session of the Convention was held at 2:00 p.m. with Richard Gehman leading in prayer and Dr. Perry speaking on the "Glories of Christ" from Revelation Chapter one. The sixth and final lecture was on Dialogical Preaching.

The Convention was brought to a close by singing, "Face to Face" and R. C. Reichenbach adjourned with prayer.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Income:

*Funds Received from Conf. Administrative		
Budget	425.00	
Love Offering from Pastors	<u>88.00.</u>	\$ 513.00

Expenditures:

Pinebrook Service Board	250.00	
Dr. Lloyd M. Perry		
Honorarium and Mileage	238.00	
Chairman's expenses	10.00	
Secretary's Expenses	<u>15.00</u>	
		513.00

* Funds Allocated from the Conference Administrative Budget
\$ 400.00
(Donald R. Knauer, Chairman; John H. Herb, Secretary)

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION COMMITTEE

The Sunday School Promotion Committee met four times during the Conference year to plan, implement and evaluate its work. Numerous sub-committees also spent many hours seeking to effectively fulfill its responsibilities to the broader program of Christian education in the Bible Fellowship Churches.

The sub-committee preparing the Pilot Curriculum on Biblical Doctrine reports good progress in their work. It is anticipated that within the next year this material will be available for adaptation to various age levels in the great and essential ministry of teaching the Biblical doctrines as held by the Bible Fellowship Church.

The Sunday School Convention which was held at the Grace Bible Fellowship Church, Reading, Pennsylvania, was attended by an encouraging number of our people with an exceptionally fine

response in the youth section of the program held at a neighboring church. Approximately 300 adults and 175 youth participated in the Convention. Effort is being made, however, to arouse more interest on the part of the Sunday school superintendents in the Annual Convention since they are the key to getting more of the laymen in attendance. Tentative plans are being made to offer a retreat for the superintendents in possible conjunction with the Convention.

During August the Visual Aids Library was moved to the Royersford Bible Fellowship Church in an effort to serve a larger percentage of the Bible Fellowship Churches more effectively. The Committee is seeking to improve the facilities, the library and the service, including the hiring of a member of the Royersford Church to administer the library.

The following resolution was adopted by the Sunday School Promotion Committee at a meeting held at Royersford, Pa., Thursday, September 9, 1971

Resolved: That we recommend to the Annual Conference meeting at Pinebrook, October 11, 1971, the approval and adoption of the request of the Sunday School Promotion Committee, that the Sunday School Promotion Committee be granted the privilege of having the oversight of all the funds of the Sunday School Promotion Committee, and elect a Treasurer from among their number.

We recommend that each Bible Fellowship Church make a contribution for denominational Sunday school promotion. This contribution should be mailed to the Financial Secretary of the Committee before April 1, 1972.

FINANCIAL

Balance from Previous Year		\$	1,969.48
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RECEIPTS:

Offerings from Churches	1,000.00		
Convention Offerings:Adult	141.00		
Convention Offerings:Youth	34.86	\$	1,175.86
Total			<u>3,145.34</u>

EXPENDITURES:

Convention Expenses including speakers, meals, etc.	969.13		
Printing	398.00		
Committee expenses, misc.	217.74		
Pilot curriculum com.	186.89		
Film Strip library	100.00		
Fellowship News donation	50.00		<u>1,921.76</u>
Balance in Treasury 9/30/71		\$	<u>1,223.58</u>
			<u>3,145.34</u>

(Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Chairman; Leon K. Overpeck, Secretary; Harry Bailey, John F. Boyle, LeRoy S. Heller, William R. Hunsberger, Robert F. Johnson, Leon Naudasher, Keith E. Plows, Norman L. Reed, Robert W. Truett, Daniel G. Ziegler, Committee)

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL CANDIDATE COMMITTEE

The Ministerial Candidate Committee met twelve times during the year in order to administer the Faith and Order examinations to candidates under its care, and screen men for the ministry of the Bible Fellowship Church who give evidence of being born of the Spirit, called by God to the ministry, equipped for service, and in agreement with the Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church. This committee continues to urge its constituents to pray that God would direct to this church men of His own choosing.

The following men were recommended to the Credentials Committee for examination relative to ordination: Arthur H. Frable, Richard J. Gehman, Carl K. Spackman and Paul G. Zimmerman.

The committee recommends the acceptance of the following men as having served satisfactorily during the past year in their respective stages of development:

Probationers:

Terris L. Byrd, Sinking Spring, Pa.
 Robert Minnig, Freehold, N. J.
 D. Thomas Phillips, Neptune City, N. J.
 Theodore Shelling, Baltimore, Maryland
 Mark T. Smith, Hamburg, Pa. (on leave of absence)
 LeRoy C. Wilcox, Easton, Pa.
 Keith Yoder, Philadelphia, Pa.

Candidates:

Bernard N. Coble, Scranton, Pa.
 Robert L. Draper, Ramtown, N. J.
 David Manney, Ecquador

Applicants:

William H. Bartron, Monroe, N. Y.
 Douglas D. Bowne, Rahns, Pa.
 Glenn H. Davis, Columbus, Ohio
 John Grady, Boonton, N. J.
 Thomas Heimer, Nazareth, Pa.
 Charles E. Kramer, Spring City, Pa.
 Rodney H. Long, Elysburg, Pa.
 Roger Reitz, Shamokin, Pa.
 Jonathan Reynolds, Zionsville, Pa.
 Keith Stickler, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Terry Tareila, Dallas, Texas

Richard Taylor, Graterford, Pa.
 David A. Thomann, Harleysville, Pa.
 Dana Weller, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Frank DeJuana, Staten Island, N. Y.

(James A. Beil, Chairman; Robert F. Johnson, Secretary; Carl C. Cassel, David E. Thomann, David J. Watkins, Committee)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PUBLISH FELLOWSHIP NEWS

The Fellowship News is circulated in 27 States, in addition to Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia, and into 16 Foreign Countries. There is presently a total of 1,371 subscriptions, including the college student subscriptions.

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 Victory Valley	\$	50.00
Board of Foreign Missions		50.00
Board of Church Extension		50.00
Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College		50.00
Pinebrook Conference Board		50.00
Board of Christian Education		50.00
Committee on Publication and Printing		400.00

Checks should be made payable to Fellowship News and sent to the treasurer by February 1, 1972.

FINANCIAL

Balance - Business Manager	9/1/70	\$	61.76	
Treasurer	9/28/70		295.33	
Savings & Loan Acct.	9/28/70		<u>1,299.54</u>	
				1,656.63

RECEIPTS

Subscriptions	2,995.04	
Donations: S.S. Promotion Com.,		
Church Ext. Board, Pinebrook Jr.		
College, Board of Foreign Missions,		
Publication and Printing Com.	1,000.00	
Special Issues	<u>60.00</u>	
		4,055.04
Total Receipts and Balances		<u>\$ 5,711.67</u>

EXPENDITURES

Printing 12 issues Fellowship News	3,285.75	
Business Manager Expenses	272.88	
Honorariums for Business Mgr. & Editor	175.00	
Editors Expenses	124.25	
Secretarial Expenses	100.00	
Committee Travel	17.12	
Refunds	6.75	
Total		\$ 3,981.75
Balances - Business Manager 9/1/71	77.17	
Treasurer 9/6/71	1,153.21	
Savings & Loan Acct. 9/6/71	499.54	
		* 1,729.92 *
Total Expenses and Year end Balances		\$ 5,711.67

* 1,700.00 required for printing costs of issues September through January.
- Paul T. Rutman, Financial Secretary

FELLOWSHIP NEWS PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1971-1972

INCOME

Subscriptions at \$2.25 each	\$ 3,100.00	
Donations: 50.00 each from S.S.		
Promotion Com., P.J.C.,		
Board of Foreign Missions,		
Board of Victory Valley,		
Church Ext., Pinebrook Con.		
Board	300.00	
Board of Publication	400.00	
Total Proposed Income		\$ 3,800.00

EXPENDITURES

Printing 12 issues of F.N.	3,300.00	
Honorariums	175.00	
Secretarial	100.00	
Editors	150.00	
Postage	100.00	
Business Manager	275.00	
Equipment	100.00	
Total Proposed Expenses		\$ 4,200.00

(Willard E. Cassel, chairman; William R. Hunsberger, secretary; Paul T. Rutman, Financial secretary; Robert W. Smock, Editor; R.C. Reichenbach, Business Manager, Committee).

REPORT OF CHURCH EXTENSION DIRECTOR

This year has been a positive and productive one in the work of church extension. It has been a season of much planting, watering and cultivating and of some reaping. It has seen the implementation of a strategy of church planting using the team as its basic unit for the effort to establish several new churches simultaneously in a circumscribed geographical area. This has been taking place in East Central New Jersey with encouraging results at this early stage.

The year has also seen progress in the Department's three other churches, the second summer of the PISCES program and the start of another brand new "baby church".

THE TIE TEAM

Taking the name Teamwork In Extension (TIE), the church planting team of Donald R. Knauer, Robert A. Minnig and D. Thomas Phillips has worked closely together through the year, meeting usually weekly and sharing together in many tasks and experiences. The Church Extension Director has functioned as a fourth team member. The working of the team has been characterized by thoroughness, candor, vigor and a wonderful harmony. The team has served with a consciousness that it is blazing a new trail for the Bible Fellowship Church. It has tried carefully to think and re-think, to record and report its work. Each team member has found times in the year when his spirits and faith have been buoyed up by the mutuality of the team experience.

Since there are so many variables in almost all aspects of the three emerging churches, it must be expected that their rate of development will not be identical. At this point the mission of Franklin Township, Somerset County, near New Brunswick, appears to be farthest along. Its attendances and offerings have been highest of the three. Sunday morning services are held in a beautiful new intermediate school, where 70 persons met on a September Lord's Day. A number of adults and young people have recently professed Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. Pastor Knauer is leading his flock into an understanding of commitment in the believer's personal and church life. At least five couples indicate their desire and intention to be committed families.

The Freehold mission meets in a new V.F.W. building, with an average attendance now of about 40. A beautiful, close relationship of sharing and caring has developed among these folks. There have been some remarkable conversions and other evidences of God's gracious working in the lives of people today. Pastor Minnig's ministry of the Word is deeply appreciated. There is already a regular visitation program going in this small group, which has been successful in bringing others to Christ.

The Neptune mission was the last to begin public worship. Though it appears to be the slowest in development, there are evidences of the Lord's blessing, especially in the wonderful life-transformation of one family and the fact that there are, in addition to that family, two others who seem solidly committed to the work, along with Pastor and Mrs. Phillips. A Sunday school was begun just a few weeks ago, helping to boost the attendance at the motel conference room where they worship to a record 20 on its third Sunday of operation.

Some statistics on the TIE ministry as a whole in this first year might be interesting. On a recent Sunday morning there was a total aggregate attendance of 127. There have been at least 66 persons who have made profession of salvation through Christ during the year. Fifteen believers have been baptized. Though public worship at these missions began just six to eight months ago, the people gave an aggregate total of more than \$5,150.00 in offerings.

Some of the greatest and most encouraging results are not statistically demonstrable. Uncounted hours have been spent in group Bible studies and in personal counseling. Many people have begun privately to study and appreciate God's Word for the first time. Immature believers have been helped to grow. "Plateau Christians" of long standing stagnation have been challenged and helped to "press on the upward way". People have indicated response and appreciation in numerous ways. Many have become witnessing Christians for the first time.

All three missions are transcending the traditional barriers that separate people - racial and ethnic, social and economic. People from the missions have participated in our summer camping experiences at Pinebrook and Victory Valley. It is quite possible that there are several future ministerial candidates who are now part of these baby churches.

Few of the people who are active in the TIE missions come from other evangelical churches. Many have come over from dead, humanistic, ritualistic "Protestant" churches. Some have come from the Roman Catholic church. Some have come from the cults - one family now committed belonged to the "Jehovah's Witness" just one year ago and another family from the same cult is apparently moving toward commitment to Christ at one of our missions; another family had been heavily involved in spiritualism. Some have come from raw, unchurched paganism. They come into the freedom of the Christian man, drawn by the sovereign grace of God to faith in the Saviour who died that sinners might live eternally.

Many of the folks associated with the TIE missions feel and express deep appreciation for the denominational relationship, which they have seen and heard about from the start. In addition to its expression in the Team, they perceive this in the coming of other pastors to help in publicizing an opening service, in a Sunday school picnic with the Denville and Staten Island churches, in

visits to their churches by laymen and pastors of other Bible Fellowship Churches and in invitations from other churches for those of the "baby churches" to visit them, in participation in Women's Missionary Society activities and, in an especially touching way, by being the recipients of many gifts through a "Baby Shower" given by the "older sister churches".

DEPARTMENT CHURCHES

In addition to the three new missions we have three churches in the Church Extension Department. All three demonstrate a healthy vigor and vitality. The church in Finesville, New Jersey, continues to reach out, grow and win people to Christ, under the pastoral leadership of Harold C. Weaver. The church is making a profound impact on the lives of people right in its quaint, rural valley-village as well as in the surrounding bi-state countryside. A new roof and a white stucco exterior coat have made the old building shine like new. Much work and planning are going on for other important internal and external improvements on the place.

An entirely different external appearance also characterizes the old building at Walnutport, Pa., plus a completely renovated and redecorated interior. A rededication service on February 7 saw the church packed to capacity with members of the church and many other friends from area churches and the community. David L. Branning has been a faithful pastor and preacher. A systematic program of visitation evangelism is part of the church's life. New families are being reached and won.

The church at Belvidere, New Jersey, has experienced some temporary set-backs this year. Three faithful families have moved from the area, leaving some vacant places that are not easy to fill. Some industries have also departed the area, creating a very tight employment picture, which tends toward a slow influx rate of population growth. John H. Herb has completed seven years of faithful and fruitful ministry in Belvidere. The consistent growth pattern that has prevailed through most of those seven years will surely resume very shortly.

PISCES

The Department's Program of Internships in Summer Church Extension Service, in its second year, proved to be a vital and productive ministry. Twelve exceptional students participated this summer. Of these, five came from Bible Fellowship Churches and seven from others. Two of the latter were fully supported in PISCES by Faith Baptist Church of Brookhaven, Pa. After an Orientation Week in New York City, the participants served in all six Department works and in nine other of our churches. These spiritual and zealous young people (there were seven men and five women) were used with great effectiveness to do the work of evangelism and to bring new vitality to the churches in which they served. Their lives have, in turn, been profoundly affected by their PISCES Summer.

NEW MISSIONS

Through a series of unusual providential circumstances which were unforeseen a few months ago, the Lord led us to the opening of a new mission within the last month. The work is located near the TIE missions and has become part of the TIE Team effort. In late summer, two TIE pastors, five PISCES people and Rev. and Mrs. Bert Brosius led a week of public meetings in the Ramtown Elementary School in Howell Township, Monmouth County, New Jersey. The week's schedule combined morning children's meetings and evening film presentations. Attendances at both series was good, averaging about 100, and there were many who publicly indicated their profession of Christ as Saviour and Lord, most of them young people in their early teens.

The public meetings at Ramtown were followed by a week's survey of the homes in the area. The survey revealed a high degree of spiritual need and a significant number of expressions of interest in a new Bible Fellowship Church - well above the response in any of the three target areas of last year.

The primary target area consists of more than 500 homes in two housing developments. There is no church of any kind in these developments or within more than a mile from them. The surrounding area, already well populated, projects rapid growth in years ahead. It is substantially underchurched.

The spiritual needs of the Ramtown area together with the unexpected response to the Gospel there consisuted strong evidence to both the TIE Team and the Board of Church Extension that we ought to move ahead at once with an attempt to plant a church there. The most serious counter-indication was the apparent shortage of resources. The way of faith seemed to lie in making the attempt, depending on the Lord of all to supply the money and manpower needed.

Robert L. Draper has accepted the Board's call to be pastor of this new mission and has already been working on that field for several weeks. After 13 years as a full-time staff member of Christian Service Brigade, Brother Draper sensed the Lord's direction to return to the pastorate, and that in the Bible Fellowship Church. He applied to the Ministerial Candidate Committee and has been approved to minister by that Committee. His years of experience in the ministry and his work with youth and children are fine assets in his new work.

The role of the three already existing TIE missions in the start of this new one provides a beautiful example of the local church reaching out to nearby areas in evangelism. The three joined in sponsorship of the public phase meetings at Ramtown and each contributed financially, along with the Team treasury, toward some of the expenses. The pastors of the two closest missions, Neptune and Freehold, spent a full two weeks, day and night, working in

Ramtown and these two mission treasuries paid for most of the newspaper advertising and for the living expenses of the PISCES participants who helped at Ramtown. A number of the people of the two missions supported the meetings by attendance. One man from Freehold was present all five evenings and helped to counsel inquirers. The Freehold work also expects to encourage a fine family of recent converts, who have been attending faithfully there, to become part of the new baby church, which is close to their home.

SEMINAR

The men of the Department, along with other pastors, shared in our Church Extension Seminar. February 8 and 9, at Bethel Church in Allentown. Rev. Donald J. MacNair, Executive Director of National Presbyterian Missions, Inc., the church extension department of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, presented in depth his methodology for church planting. This was an extremely valuable conference, strategic for us both in its content and timing.

'73 THRUST

A committee has continued to work on our 1973 Evangelism Thrust. It becomes increasingly apparent that such a thrust will only be effective as particular churches, in the period between now and the beginning of 1973, will give themselves to careful study first of themselves and then to their respective communities. Out of that study, in an atmosphere of faith and prayer, the churches may then plan how to implement the 1973 evangelism program that each needs. Planning will lead to training, preparation and then action. Along with vigorous proclamation of the Gospel, key concepts must include total mobilization of the laity, development of a wholesome, biblical shared-life in the church with open honesty and love between believers and a quick, full acceptance of the newcomer, and the adoption of clear, definable goals for prayer and work. Excellent help along these lines is offered through Christ for Eastern Pennsylvania, which has become a more truly "in-depth" concept within the last year, stressing a goal-centered approach to planning for evangelism through the church. We urge our churches to look into Christ for Eastern Pennsylvania and to become involved.

After the Director attended a KEY '73 Central Committee meeting in St. Louis last December, the Board felt it would be unwise for the Bible Fellowship Church to be officially involved in that effort because of the breadth of its constituency, the uncertainty at that time of its direction and emphases and the lack of theological distinctives and of a clear definition of just what evangelism really is. We pray that KEY '73 will be soundly evangelical and will be significant in its Gospel impact on North America. We believe it will help to create an atmosphere of evangelism in the U.S. and a healthy climate for vigorous evangelistic outreach by all of our churches and others who are full committed to the Gospel.

OTHER MINISTRY

The Director has represented the Department in eight of the non-department churches during the year. He also met with two outside groups to discuss their possible affiliation with the denomination. One of these is an established independent church in New Jersey which is seeking a larger association. This church has indicated preliminary interest. Several conferences have been held with the pastor. A session with the congregation and Board is planned for October 20.

The Director also met on two occasions during the summer with a group of believers in a Central Pennsylvania community not far from an existing Bible Fellowship Church. He also made a survey of the area. These people are considering an attempt to form a new evangelical church there. The group decided at the end of the second meeting not to do anything at present, though this could develop, possibly as a sort of branch church, in the future.

The working relationship with the Board has been warm, wholesome and productive. These are men with a heart for the Lord's work, desire to see it progress and wisdom for sound decision-making in matters of policy and procedure. The Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church and especially its secretary, Jansen E. Hartman have been quite co-operative and helpful in expediting the purchase of parsonages in Freehold and Franklin Township. Brother Hartman gave many hours to this task and invaluable assistance and counsel, based on his broad experience in such matters.

The members of the Staten Island church have been very kind and understanding in their willingness to allow their pastor to devote so much time and energy to directing the Church Extension Department. These humble believers are uncommon Christians. During most of the year Frank E. Chivalette assisted in the pastoral work in Staten Island.

PROJECTIONS

Should our Lord tarry, the next few years will be filled with opportunity for church growth and planting. While we cannot always anticipate how the Spirit may work, we might project a new team attempt in 1973. A few years beyond that could see an effort in one of our desperately needy inner-city neighborhood.

We believe we have concepts and methods that work. We are confronted by gigantic spiritual needs. We need to pray and work to increase available resources and to apply them to the needs.

One way of increasing financial resources will be to set up procedures for people to invest funds at interest to be used to acquire buildings and land in new areas. The board is preparing such a plan and will announce more details shortly. We invite inquiries from people who would like thus to invest in the Lord's work.

Our churches must plan to increase their giving for new church planting. They must see this as of urgent priority and realize that such giving is "seed giving" which will reproduce itself many fold as new churches are formed, grow and then, in turn, give for missions.

A number of our churches will face special opportunities soon. These are the churches who have in the last decade or two built new buildings. After the mortgage burning, will these congregations be willing to settle back and ask less of their members in financial commitment? Will they selfishly look for ways to expend more money on themselves in more fancy buildings, grounds, surroundings and equipment? Or will they seek to divert most of this giving to the furtherance of the Gospel through foreign missions and church extension? The answer to these questions may tell a great deal about the future of our denomination.

Church planting also requires the resource of men. It is urgent that we obey the command to pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest. When we pray that prayer, should we expect that those laborers will come from outside? Perhaps we should focus that prayer a little more sharply asking God to burden young men who are now in our churches to enter the Gospel ministry.

- Daniel G. Ziegler, Director

FINANCIAL

Receipts:

Balance, October 1, 1970	47.70	
Received from Board	7,900.00	
Literature Sales	61.27	
Reimbursements	1,308.63	
Property Deposits	710.00	
Insurance Premium		
(Franklin)	129.63	
Truck Rental (Freehold)	100.00	
Salary Advances	315.00	
Travel Expenses	40.00	
Seminar Luncheon	14.00	
Total		9,317.60

Expenses:

Special Appropriations	67.00
Assistance to churches	300.00
Director's Travel & Meals	206.38
Pastors' Travel & Meals	255.38
Equipment and Repairs	109.96
New Project (Ramtown)	334.85
Postage	374.91
Literature	64.17

Office Supplies		237.90
Telephone		381.94
PISCES		5,013.70
1973 Thrust		191.90
KEY 73	145.50	
Committee	46.40	
Seminar		288.11
Stenographer		108.50
Property settlement (Freehold)		592.08
Insurance Premium (Franklin)		129.63
Truck rental (Freehold)		100.00
Apartment Deposits		45.00
Salary Advances		415.00
Miscellaneous		94.95
Total		<u>9,311.36</u>
Balance, September, 30, 1971		<u>6.24</u>
		\$ 9,317.60

This financial report was audited by Roger S. Bowne
- Daniel G. Ziegler, Director of
Church Extension

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

The Board of Church Extension continues to rejoice in what God has wrought through the various ministries of the Bible Fellowship Church.

"Unto thee, O God, do we give thanks, unto thee do we give thanks: for that thy name is near thy wondrous works declare." Psalm 75:1

Thanks be to the Lord for the fine spiritual development in the lives of the "Baby Missions" of New Jersey. Praise be unto our God for the unusual birth of another "Baby Mission" in Ramtown, New Jersey. "Unto thee, O God, do we give thanks" for raising up a man to serve this new mission.

TIE LINES, edited by the Director, has been the news media used to inform the constituency of what God is doing.

The Board met eight times during the year and praises God for the wonderful Board/Director relationship which has existed. It requires wisdom from above to initiate policy and strategy that is beneficial both to the Department and the Bible Fellowship Church. Brethren, continue to pray for us.

PISCES 1971 has provided dedicated Christian young people another opportunity to serve the Lord under the godly leadership of Daniel G. Ziegler.

During the year Frank Chivalette, serving under the direction of the Board and Assistant Pastor of the Bible Fellowship Church of Staten Island, submitted a letter of resignation to assume a position with another Christian organization.

The Committee on Evangelism for 1973 continues to meet to prepare guidelines for the Bible Fellowship Church.

A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUEST FORM, approved by the Board, has been included with this report. Additional copies may be obtained from the office of the Department of Church Extension.

The Board expresses its sincere appreciation for your faithful prayer and financial support to carry on its ministry.

The following men have served under the direction of this department: David L. Branning, Frank E. Chivalette, Robert Draper, John H. Herb, Donald R. Knauer, Robert Minnig, D. Thomas Phillips and Harold Weaber.

The Board of Church Extension recommends the material presented at Adjourned Session of Conference, April 3, 1971, relative to election of treasurer be presented for second reading.

The Board of Church Extension recommends that all Church Extension Funds be forwarded quarterly to the Treasurer of the Board.

The Board of Church Extension recommends the adoption of the Proposed Budget for 1972-1973.

The Board calls to your attention the Church Offering Goal of \$55,000 for 1972-1973 and the Goal of \$60,000 for 1973-1974.

(James G. Koch, Chairman; Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Secretary; Robert F. Johnson, Financial Secretary; Daniel G. Ziegler, Director; Bert N. Brosius, John L. Deily, John Moran, Clyde W. Snyder, Board)

FINANCIAL

Receipts: Oct. 1, 1970 thru Sept. 20, 1971

Bal. brought forward 10/1/70	\$ 56,010.81
Bal. brought forward - Approp. Acct.	5,684.96

Offerings:

Churches Prepaid '71-72	\$ 40,450.49
Churches	5,383.18
Total	<u>45,833.67</u>

Rent	1,450.00	
PISCES	365.00	
Insurance (refund)	51.00	
Freehold Property (Bd. of D.)	592.08	
Walnutport Loan 1,800 + int.	1,811.21	
Miller Heights closing	12.19	
Special gifts (Jersey ministry)	500.00	
Tent Rental	25.00	
Board of Directors Loan	9,500.00	
Interest	616.00	
Total		\$ 60,756.15
Grand Total		122,451.92

Expenditures:

Appropriations:

Existing Churches	8,640.00	
New Jersey Missions	32,249.76	
Assistant Pastor	6,060.00	
PISCES	5,200.00	
Contingency:Fellowship N.	50.00	
Total		52,199.76

Administrative:

Director	2,500.00	
Director's Mileage	497.73	
Director's Operation	2,700.00	
Board Expenses	377.05	
Taxes and Insurance	725.04	
Assistance to Churches	2,500.00	
Health & Welfare	1,352.96	
Moving Fund	1,362.90	
General Contingencies	159.38	
Total		12,175.06

Loans:

Board of Directors	9,500.00	
Walnutport	1,800.00	
Total		11,300.00
		\$ 75,674.82

Balance in Account 9/20/71	4,295.31	
Balance in Appropriations Acct.	2,031.30	
Churches Prepaid 1971-72	40,450.49	
		\$ 122,451.92

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION
REVISED BUDGET
October 1, 1971 - September 30, 1972

Receipts:

Balance brought forward 9/20/71		\$ 6,326.61
Offerings	43,935.00	
Rents	1,500.00	
Interest	600.00	
Special Gifts and on Loans	3,728.39	
Total		<u>49,763.39</u>
		56,090.00

Expenditures:

Appropriations:		
Churches	9,100.00	
Missions	23,090.00	
New Missions	10,800.00	
Tie Team	1,000.00	
PISCES	3,600.00	47,590.00
Administrative:		
Director	2,800.00	
Director's Mileage	1,900.00	
Director's Parsonage	500.00	
Director's Operating	1,500.00	
Taxes	400.00	
Board Expenses	600.00	7,700.00
General:		
Contingency	800.00	<u>800.00</u>
Total Expenditures		56,090.00
Balance in Treasury 9/30/72		- -

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PINEBROOK CONFERENCE

"This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes." Ps. 118:23

Pinebrook has just completed a very busy year and a summer season which was undoubtedly one of the finest in its long history of spiritual ministry. There are few Bible Conferences which have been in existence as long as Pinebrook and the improved program and facilities are making groups and individuals aware of the fact that it is one of the finest year 'round Christian Conference Centers in Northeastern United States. As a ministry of the Bible Fellowship Church, it is making many aware of our denomination. Every year we have operated this facility has seen an increase in attendance at our meetings and additional requests from groups which are interested in coming to Pinebrook for convocations. Our winter weekends are especially very full with many groups now being turned away due to lack of space.

We are pleased to receive a donation of seats from Ebenezer Church in Bethlehem, which had formerly been used on the balcony of their building located on Main Street. This enabled us to add approximately 100 extra seats in the tabernacle bringing our total seating capacity to over 900. Even with this addition there were occasions during the summer months when practically every seat was occupied.

The following are some totals for the year just completed. It includes those registered for conferences who occupied rooms or spaces in the camping area. It does not include day guests.

Fall - 1,368
Winter - 2,986
Spring - 2,081
Summer - 2,646

However, the significant fact is not the number of individuals who were at Pinebrook throughout the year, but the spiritual fruit and blessings which were in evidence. During the year there were many professions of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Others were brought to a new commitment of their lives to Christ and realization of the fulness of blessings which are the portion of a believer. At least thirty persons were baptized by immersion at Pinebrook this year including some from Bible Fellowship Churches.

Pinebrook was the place where many groups from our Bible Fellowship Churches gathered for convocations during the year. These included the Annual Conference, Pastor's Wives Fellowship, Youth Fellowships, Pioneer Girls, Sunday School classes, Banquets, Sno-Glo Youth Retreats (over 500 present for the two weekends), Married Couples weekend retreats, Ministerial Convention and Women's Missionary Society rallies.

Several new items this year have proven assets to our program. We began to emphasize the "Family Conference" concept with excellent results and increased interest in the varied program. The guests appreciated the activities for different age groups and many new people were attracted to Pinebrook - eight families one week from Michigan. Jim and Violet Herrold deserve much credit for the many hours given to plan some of the excellent social events for various age groups.

Pine Grove, for trailers and tent dwellers, was approximately ninety percent complete when we began our Memorial Day Conference. It now contains electric and water hook-ups for more than thirty sites. The number of tents erected this year was more than double those used our first year at Pinebrook. During the year Pine Lodge was completed. It is a dormitory type building which can accommodate forty. During most of the winter and many of the spring weekends it is filled to capacity. All fourteen cottages, located along route 191, were repaired by using voluntary labor almost exclusively and were ready for occupancy at the commencement of our summer program.

At the time of our Memorial Day Conference we were made aware of the fact that the small organ we had rented would probably not be available for the summer program. Through the efforts of one of the members of the Pinebrook Conference Board we were able to purchase an excellent instrument at a very reasonable price. The cost of a similar organ, if purchased new, would have been \$15,000. Since the organ we purchased was re-conditioned it was priced at \$5,500. The Lord graciously undertook for us and we bought this instrument for \$2,000.

There were designated gifts given to Pinebrook enabling us to purchase carpet for rooms and necessary kitchen equipment. A number of our friends from Bethany Church in Hatfield under the able leadership of Russell and Eleanor Ruch worked diligently to beautify the grounds again this year. In addition to their physical labor all the flowers which were in bloom during the spring and summer were donated to Pinebrook from several sources.

Most established Bible conferences have been engaged in new construction and improving their facilities in recent years. Pinebrook should continue to follow this trend. Efforts should also be made continually to attract additional evangelical groups throughout the year.

A final word of special thanks to the many individuals and groups from our Bible Fellowship Churches who have constantly supported this ministry by their prayers, attending the conferences and donating many hours of labor during the year.

- A. L. Seifert, Director

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

With thanksgiving, we submit this sixty-sixth annual report acknowledging the presence and grace of God. With His guidance and assistance the work has been carried on for another year. The Administrator, Reverend F. B. Hertzog, has looked after the interest of the Home and the comfort of the guests.

The Home is filled to capacity with twenty-six guests of whom twenty-three are women and three are men. During the year two were discharged, four died, and six new guests were admitted to fill the vacancies. To give our guests the required care we employ thirty-one full and part-time workers. The staff has been selected for their experience, competence, and training in new patient concepts, needs, and methods. Six doctors are on call at all times.

There is a need for larger quarters to accommodate additional guests and render the services which they require. The Board has been studying this matter and hopes to approve plans that will provide additional facilities to make our operation financially more economical.

The Board is very grateful to the members of the Bible Fellowship Church for the offerings received. Throughout the year the Home received donations with a cash value of \$540.00.

The continued support of the churches will be most essential in realizing our goal for providing better facilities and services for our people. Also, the Home has been recipient of legacies from a number of wills. Legacies of real estate, stocks, bonds, and cash will continue to play an important role in the expansion and maintenance of the Home through the years.

We recommend that each church make a contribution to the Bible Fellowship Church Home. The anticipated buget of the Home indicates a need for contributions of at least \$8,600.00 by the churches. Checks shall be made payable to the BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH HOME and submitted by April 1, 1972.

FINANCIAL

Receipts:

Cash in Bank, 9/1/70		\$	6,388.26
Administrator's Working Cap. 9/1/70			11,732.74
Contributions:			
Churches	3,998.80		
Members & Friends	<u>2,220.00</u>		6,218.80
Guests:			
Room and Board	93,587.35		
Social Security	7,159.90		
Public Assistance	<u>1,724.00</u>		102,471.25
Apartment Rental	6,620.00		
Dividends & Interest	6,016.54		
Guests' Escrow Fund	22,992.25		
Payments on Investments	<u>2,164.11</u>		<u>37,792.90</u>
Total Receipts		\$	164,603.95

Disbursements:

Food	7,531.79
Medications	1,334.27
Salaries and Wages	74,856.33
Laundry	1,174.69
Public Utilities	2,328.97
Fuel Oil	1,012.21
Insurance (property)	225.78
Workmen's Compen. Ins.	442.00
Furnishings & Equipment	2,252.58
Household Supplies	995.59
Office Supplies	358.05
Maintenance	3,091.28

Miscellaneous	927.33	
Guests' Monthly Allowances	649.73	
Funeral & Cemetery	<u>893.42</u>	98,074.02
Apartment Buildings:		
5 S.New Street	4,297.99	
7 S.New Street (rear)	<u>1,005.48</u>	5,303.47
Transfer to Bldg.Fund		46,405.27
Cash in bank 8/31/71		4,451.49
Administrator's Working Capital 8/31/71		<u>10,369.70</u>
Total		164,603.95

BALANCE SHEET

Assets:

Cash in Bank	4,451.49	
Administrator's Work. Cp.	<u>10,369.70</u>	\$ 14,821.19
Building Fund		49,025.00
Escrow Fund		50,080.00
Administrator's Apt.	10,000.00	
Lot (Pine Street)	1,500.00	
Apartment House (5 S.New)	35,000.00	
Home (7 S.New St.,)	210,000.00	
Equipment and Furniture	<u>12,000.00</u>	268,500.00
Total Assests		\$ 382,426.19

Liabilities and Net Worth:

Liabilities	none
Net Worth	<u>382,426.19</u>
Total Liabilities and New Worth	382,426.19

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; Ernest W.Bean, Secretary; Paul Cressman, James A. Beil, George Herb, Board).

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

(Year ending September 30, 1971)

"O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD". Jeremiah 22:29

We are living in a bankrupt world. The country is in trouble religiously, morally, economically and politically. Where shall

we go, to whom shall we turn in a crisis hour? Men are searching for some way out of the distress and despair that seems to envelope the world like a mist and fog. I doubt if there can be an intense Christian life, intense enough to make headway against the present drift, without a definite faith and conviction, strong enough to lay hold upon God and His eternal Word.

The purpose of Gospel preaching and missionary endeavor, is the salvation of souls. Real preaching is heart speaking to heart with intuitions kindled from above. There is a psychological law which prevents a message making a deeper impression on the soul of a hearer than it is making in the heart of the speaker. That touches the sore place in modern church life. There needs to be more vital preaching with a "Thus saith the Lord!"

There has come a "high-brow! period of objection to emotion in religion. There is no cool dignity in the baseball game or on the golf links; the stock market is not dull and the political convention was not formal. Only religion is to be circumspect and lifeless. When one becomes enthusiastic over games and sports, he is called a "fan". If he enthuses over religion, they call him a "FANatic".

In this decade of the seventies the Church seems to be in retreat. Attendance is faltering and membership is crumbling. We cannot blame emotionalism for there was none of it. It could not be attributed to evangelism for there has been little trial of it. More is being paid for salaries, more for music, more for elaborate churches than ever before. Evidently these things are no remedy. I read of a man who said, "We used to get our new members through the altar, but now we educate them in religion."

"Thy word have I hid in my heart," said the Psalmist. Jeremiah wrote about the fire of holy impulse, "His word was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not stay" (20:9). In 2 Cor. 5:18 Paul reminds us that God "hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation." We need to be stirred by the responsibility that is placed upon us as Ambassadors for Christ. There are some people that get emotionally upset over a TV commercial, but never experience anything about the moving of the Holy Spirit in their heart.

Think of Cornelius. He was a Gentile and although he was a good man, he was not a saved man. In a vision the Lord said: "Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God. And now send men to Joppa and call for one Simon, whose surname is Peter...He shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do." (Acts 10:4,5). Note how God's plans dovetail. Peter is up on the housetop and while waiting for the meal, he fell asleep. He had a vision in which a sheet had been let down to earth in which were all kinds of beasts, creeping things, and fowls of the air.

The messengers from Cornelius had now arrived and were at the door asking for Peter. The messengers were invited to re-

main over night, and in the morning they departed. What a strange company! Several Jews, Peter and three Gentiles traveling down the highway together. When they finally arrived Cornelius greeted them and said, "Now therefore are we all here present before God to hear all things that are commanded thee of God." What an opportunity this was for Peter! When he started out to speak do you think that he said, "I would like to introduce my message by a few simple statements about existentialism that have helped so many people." No he didn't, but he did begin by saying, "Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons."

Peter went on to tell about Christ who had died and was risen from the dead. He became so absorbed in his message that he never did get to say, "And so finally brethren." The Gospel is for all men wherever they may be. Listen to Peter as he says, "To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins."

The Church withers, dies, decays when men lose the wonder of the program of God. We need to be concerned about the unsaved, the lost, the perishing. We cannot escape our responsibility. May by the grace of God we respond by saying, "Here am I, send me!"

NEWS ABOUT OUR MISSIONARY PERSONNEL

AARON AND MARLENE HOFFMAN with their two boys, David and Danny, left from the Allentown airport, July 19, 1971 traveling by plane to San Francisco. From there they traveled on board the S.S. ARCADIA to Sydney, Australia, and from there by plane to New Guinea. Here they will work with Wycliffe Bible Translators.

Aaron's duties will involve him in building projects. Marlene will be teaching literacy classes and also be acting post-mistress on the base. Their field address is: P. O. Box 113, Ukarumpa, E. H. D. Territory of New Guinea.

DOROTHY HARLEY came home on an emergency leave arriving in the States June 16, 1971. Upon examination it was decided that surgery was necessary. She entered the Allentown hospital several days later. Many joined in earnest prayer for her and God heard and answered. There was no malignancy, and after several weeks of convalescing at the home of her parents in Emmaus, Dorothy returned to Venezuela on July 17, 1971.

Barclay met her in Caracas and brought her home. About a week later they were once again aboard the Launch and traveling down along the Orinoco River. Their address: Apartado 175 - Ciudad Bolivar - Venezuela.

STERLING AND DOLORES BAKER left on the S.S. Elizabeth II bound for their second term in Kenya, East Africa. Sterling will be engaged in teaching at the Rift Valley Academy, and Dolores will be working in the hospital. They sailed out from the New York harbor August 19, 1971.

A farewell service was held for them in the York Bible Fellowship Church on Sunday, August 15, 1971. About 250 attended the service. Brief remarks were made by several officers of the church. Pastor John H. Riggall and T. D. Gehret, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, conducted the commissioning of the missionaries as they gathered by the altar. A bus was chartered to convey members and friends to the pier at New York to bid the Bakers God speed on their journey to Kenya.

MATTHEW CAMPBELL, thirteen year old son of Dr. and Mrs. William Campbell, missionaries to Morocco, was instantly killed in an accident April 7, 1971. Together with Karen and Ian, they were on their way to an Easter Camp at St. Johns, Tangier. Traveling in heavy rain, the loaded bus, speeding along, struck a heavy dirt-filled truck that had been parked without lights.

The parents of Matthew have been remarkably sustained through this time of grief. God has given them a real testimony and witness to others by their faith and trust in God.

FRED AND JANET VENABLE arrived in the States July 9, 1971. The reason for their return was due to the physical troubles of Fred, who has been subject to dizzy spells and black-outs on occasion. This has made it impossible for him to continue his work of flying the plane for the Mission in Liberia.

The Venables have gone to Florida to be near to Fred's father, who is aged and needs someone to look after him. The Venables are looking to the Lord in regards to their future ministry and missionary service.

ROY AND DIANE HERTZOG, with their children arrived for a brief furlough on June 16, 1971. They had an exceptionally busy and yet a pleasant furlough. Roy and Diane enjoyed a week at Pinebrook, while the children enjoyed their week at Victory Valley.

The Hertzogs first went to Europe in 1960, serving under Trans World Radio. Roy has been teaching an adult Bible Class, as well as having occasional opportunities for preaching. They left for Monoca aboard the SS Raffaello of the Italian Line on August 31, 1971.

OLIVE RAWN arrived at the Philadelphia airport December 10, 1970, after spending five years on the field during her last term. Olive first went to the field in 1949. She is a faithful and devoted servant of the Lord.

During furlough Olive found many open doors to speak concerning the work of missions. She also served as Nurse at Victory Valley and Pinebrook. Address during furlough: Olive Rawn - 1520 Welsh Road, Lansdale, Pa. 19446

RICHARD AND FLORENCE GEHMAN arrived on furlough December 19, 1970. Their furlough address: 424 Ridge Street, Emmaus, Pa. 18049. They have completed one full term in Kenya where Richard taught in the Scott Theological College.

Richard was the featured speaker at Pinebrook Junior College for the Spring Missionary Lectureship. The evening sessions were devoted to slides, tapes and discussions, with the objective being the acquainting of the students with the land and culture of Kenya, East Africa.

EDWARD AND RUTH MOYER arrived for furlough May 21, 1970. They have served two full terms in Guadeloupe. Their principal ministry has been that of church planting. During their last term on the field Edward was instrumental in supervising the construction of a church and parsonage. Their ministry involves evangelistic efforts, child evangelism, visitation and tract distribution. The blessing of the Lord has been upon their work as souls have been saved and believers strengthened in the faith.

The ordination credentials of Brother Moyer were recognized at the adjourned session of Annual Conference. One of the native Christians has been chosen to be assistant Pastor. This had proven to be a great asset to the local work.

Edward and Ruth, with their three children, Douglas, Jerry and Judy, left by plane for Guadeloupe, September 6, 1971. Duane remains in the States for further schooling.

HUBERT AND MARY FISHER after having served on the foreign field for about 45 years, have returned to the homeland for retirement. They were missionaries for many years in China. When the doors to that land closed, they went to Japan and continued there for twenty years. A farewell service for them was arranged for August 16, and was held in Sapporo. Many believers and friends of these veteran missionaries gathered to express their appreciation for the witness and ministry of these servants of the Lord.

Although the Fishers will be listed as retired, they will by no means abandon their loving concern and prayers for the dear ones in Japan whom they have learned to love. We thank God for Hubert and Mary Fisher, for their zeal, their devotion and sacrifice, to make Christ known among all to whom they had opportunity to witness.

RON AND DORIS HOYLE have had three full terms in France. They arrived on furlough July 31, 1971 and plan to return to France by early January 1972. Their furlough address: 419 Elm Street, Emmaus, Pa. 18049

Church planting is the objective towards which the Hoyles are striving. There has been noticeable progress in the gathering together of a nucleus of believers and the holding of regular church services. In Amiens an old theater was purchased, completely renovated and transformed. The building was used for evangelistic services in October 1970. November 22, 1970, was a memorable day when a large number of friends attended for a special service of praise and thanksgiving for God's provision of this property.

The local newspaper reporting the service had this comment: "A little chapel, unpretentious 'tis certain, but pleasantly and simply furnished."

An Alpine site has also been purchased in Southern France and is being prepared for holding youthcamps and special retreats. It is known as the LaRivoire Camp.

JAMES AND RENEE BIGLEY - James and three of their boys arrived at the Allentown airport, from Kenya, Africa, Tuesday October 5, 1971. On hand to welcome them was his wife Renee, and son Jay. Renee had arrived September 3 to be with her father who was seriously ill. She remained with her parents until the arrival of her husband. Now reunited with the rest of the family, they will be living at 1218 E. Rosemont Drive, Bethlehem, during furlough.

Wednesday, October 6, following a service in Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church, Bethlehem, an informal social and welcome was held for the Bigleys. There were warm greetings and hearty handshakes, from members and friends, expressing their pleasure in having the Bigley family with them again after an absence of nearly five years. Their telephone is 215-868-2781.

LEONARD AND NINA BUCK arrived for furlough July 11, 1970 after nearly five years in South Africa. During their term on the field they were assigned to the Literature Ministry. Leonard has been responsible for the purchasing of stock for the four stores in Johannesburg, With the establishing of the wholesale department, he was given the responsibility of organizing and managing this department.

An important day in the life of Karen Ann, four years old, was the day when she became a naturalized citizen of the United States.

The Bucks spent three months in Wheaton, Illinois at the headquarters building of the Evangelical Alliance Mission. Leonard assisted in the film department of TEAM while in Wheaton. During furlough Leonard reports having been in 37 of the Bible Fellowship churches. In mid September they returned to South Africa.

GEORGE AND CAROL LEE came home March 31, 1971. Due to physical problems which they encountered while in Venezuela, it was decided best for them to return to the States where the needed medical care could be obtained. George was a teacher in the Bible Institute during their term in Venezuela.

JOSEPH AND LOIS HOFFMAN came home on an emergency medical leave, arriving July 27, 1971. Plans for them were to stay at Waxhaw, N. C. at the Wycliffe base until the health of Joe had improved sufficiently for them to return to Colombia. Joe had been afflicted with hepatitis for several months and was advised to return to the States for medical treatment.

The Board of Foreign Missions appreciates the faithfulness of the members and friends of the Bible Fellowship Churches, in their generous support of the foreign missionary program.

The Pinebrook Conference Board has again given a contribution of \$500 for the future provision of permanent housing for missionaries on furlough. The Board has three houses which are made available for housing missionaries on furlough. The Board pays rent for the houses and also pays the utilities.

The Board met in regular session in Nazareth at the Home for the Aging. Members of the Board: David E. Thomann, Chairman; Kermit K. Gehman, Treasurer, T. D. Gehret, Secretary; John Dunn, Brian Butler, R. C. Reichenbach, James R. Cressman, Roy E. Williams and Robert Breitegam.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

The Societies have been very active in their endeavor to care for the needs of the missionaries. The houses that are being maintained for missionaries on furlough have been kept in good repair, food has been placed in the cabinets and refrigerators, for missionaries arriving from the field. Clothing has been supplied for missionaries and their families.

NEW MISSIONARIES

Brian and Maureen Butler were accepted as members of the missionary family of the Bible Fellowship Church by action of the Board of Foreign Missions on September 20, 1971. Brother Butler was invited by the Moorland Bible College to be a member of the faculty and serve as an Instructor. He is well qualified for this position by virtue of his four years of foreign service in Nigeria under the Sudan Interior Mission. He has ministered in the Catasauqua Church of the Bible Fellowship Church for about three and one half years.

A brief commissioning service was held at the Annual Conference at Pinebrook, Monday October 11, 1971 by the Foreign Missionary Board. The Butlers plan to sail aboard the Queen Elizabeth II from New York, Thursday, October 14, 1971.

APPLICANTS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONARY SERVICE

David and Shirley Ream are accepted Candidates. They are presently at Jersey Shore, Penna., with the New Tribes Mission, engaging in language study and also taking the Jungle training course. David is in training to be a pilot.

David and Joy Bastress were interviewed by the Board who recommended that Joy take some further Bible school training before acceptance by the Board. They are appointees of Trans World Radio. A requirement of the Board for wives of prospective missionaries is for them to have at least one year of Bible School Instruction.

David and Mary Ellen Wurm are presently serving a one year appointment under the Central Alaska Mission. They have no definite plans for their future missionary service and are waiting on the Lord for guidance. They have asked for financial assistance from the Board.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

Howard and Lorraine Hatton are with the American Bible Society and receiving full support from them. They have asked that the support formerly given to them by the Board should be discontinued and the money applied to others who are members of the Bible Fellowship Church and in active foreign missionary service.

Fred and Janet Venable have returned from Liberia because of Fred's physical difficulty. He suffered attacks of dizziness and occasional black outs, which forced him to give up his work as a pilot. They are now in Florida where Fred is looking after the needs of his aged father. They are waiting on the Lord for direction concerning their future missionary service.

Robert Gordon has accepted an appointment to the Cherrydale Christian Day school in Virginia. He desires to retain his status as a foreign missionary of the Bible Fellowship Church on leave of absence. They have expressed their firm conviction of again returning to the foreign field in the good will and direction of God.

The Regional Rallies have proven to be a source of information and also encouraged and stimulated missionary activity. The Annual Spring Rally was held in our Hatfield Bible Fellowship Church, which was crowded for both meetings of the day (May 13, 1971) During the morning meeting testimonies were given by Aaron Hoffman, Leonard Buck and Olive Rawn gave a brief message.

The host church provided an excellent meal for the hundreds that attended the meetings of the day. In the afternoon session there were testimonies by Richard Gehman and Edward Moyer. A panel comprising: Ruth Moyer, Florence Gehman, Marlene Hoffman and Nina Buck, with Edward Moyer as Moderator, was very interesting as well as instructive.

- T. D. Gehret, General Secretary

(David E. Thomann, Chairman; Kermit K. Gehman, Treasurer; T. D. Gehret, General Secretary; Brian Butler, John Dunn, R. C. Reichenbach, James R. Cressman, Robert Breitegam, Roy E. Williams, Board).

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

The Board of Foreign Missions has received from the Bible Fellowship Churches, a total of \$139,249.50 for use in the 1971-1972 Conference Year.

HELP WANTED

"The last 50 years have given to us more missionary societies, ministering in more countries, in more ways, and through more media than in any other equivalent period of church history. There is no gift, aptitude, or training that a dedicated young person cannot exploit today for the glory of God in some mission field. I do not know of one God-honoring evangelical foreign missionary society that has not put out "Help Wanted" signs. This is missions' greatest hour."

- Don W. Hillis, in September - World Vision

FINANCIAL

INCOME:

Balance in Treasury, September 30, 1970	\$	4,261.11
Received from the churches		138,194.75
Special Contributions		900.00
Philadelphia Savings Fund - interest		2,829.86
Fidelity Bank - interest		2,800.00
Merchants Bank		1,150.38
Total	\$	150,136.10

MISSIONARY ALLOWANCES:

AFRICA INLAND MISSION	\$	19,200.00
AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST		2,400.00
CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ALLIANCE		14,430.00
EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE MISSION		8,981.00
GREATER EUROPE MISSION		13,300.00
D.M. STEARNS MISSIONARY FUND		3,400.00
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS INC.		5,300.00
LATIN AMERICA MISSION		6,750.00
NORTH AFRICA MISSION		4,500.00
ORINOCO RIVER MISSION		10,200.00
OVERSEAS MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP		4,350.00
TRANS WORLD RADIO		7,500.00
UNEVANGELIZED FIELDS MISSION		3,290.00
WEST INDIES MISSION		6,000.00
WORLD RADIO MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP		7,000.00
WORLD-WIDE EVANGELIZATION CRUSADE		5,500.00
WYCLIFFE BIBLE TRANSLATORS		8,800.00
SUDAN INTERIOR MISSION		3,750.00
	\$	134,651.00

MISSIONARY HOUSING FUND

Balance in Treasury - September 30, 1970	3,800.00
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Received during the year

Pinebrook Conference Board	500.00	
Special Contributions	427.00	
Interest	233.00	1,160.98
Total		\$ 4,960.98

Deposits in Merchants Bank

Certificate # 18531	3,587.00	
Cash - Pass Book	1,373.98	4,960.98

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCHES

Baker, Mr. & Mrs. Sterling, Africa Inland Mission, Kijabe, Kenya,
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18018

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Chow, Mr. Moses, 5711 16th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20011

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Territory of New Guinea

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 07603

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19004
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17315
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LY TO THE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF
FOREIGN MISSIONS

SPECIAL EXPENSES

Utilities	\$1,230.34
Rents	2,230.00
Telephone	230.30
Supplies	201.17
Board Expenses	344.38
Postage	174.78
Missionary Spec.	195.00
Secretary	800.00
Furniture (1218 Ros.)	901.00
Urbana Scholarships	300.00
Fellowship News	113.00
Yearbooks	38.00
Med. Exp. (Venables)	103.00
Taxes (1218 Rose.)	645.41
Roof repairs	44.05
Contingency	103.55
Furnace Service	65.95
Travel Mileage	315.00
	<u>8,007.93</u>

Prepaid Fund

The Board of Foreign Missions has received a total of
\$142,609.56 for use in the 1971-72 Conference Year.

This money is deposited by the Board of Foreign Missions
in the Merchants Bank of Allentown, and the Philadelphia
Savings Fund.

Total Income	\$150,136.10	<u>Expenditures</u>	
Expenses	142,658.93	Miss. All.	134,651.00
Balance 9/20/71	<u>7,477.17</u>	Spec. Exp.	<u>8,007.93</u>
			142,658.93

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VICTORY VALLEY CAMP

Consolidation and growth are two words which could be used to characterize our camping year at Victory Valley. There was consolidation in that there were fewer additions to the physical facilities than in the previous two years. Growth occurred in the number of campers served - an increase of 12% above the previous year's enrollment. These two factors combined to make 1971 a year unequalled in both blessing and efficiency.

The summer program aspect of Victory Valley gives concrete evidence of our Lord's super-abundant provision for work which He has begun. The leadership staff was well qualified, enthusiastic, and "team-effort" minded. Mr. Hank Snyder directed the camp for the third successive year and his wife Jenny served as head of the office staff. Mr. Jonathan Reynolds, as Caretaker, maintained well the existing facilities. In addition during the winter months he renovated some of the rooms in the upstairs of the "White House". During the summer program Jon and his wife Darlene directed the Counselor-in-Training program in a very acceptable manner. Miss Eunice Ettinger directed the girls' program very conscientiously and Mr. Dana Weller did a fine piece of work as boys' program director. Mr. and Mrs. Belli did their usual fine job in the food service area. Both the boys and girls counselors had an unusual amount of maturity and dedication for college age young people. It was this kind of spirit which caused the program to run smoothly despite the record number of campers, rains and other complicating factors. The Lord also provided campers in record numbers this year. Almost 40 of this number were inner-city children. What an atmosphere for blacks and whites to learn to live together in harmony! Several of these campers professed faith in the Lord Jesus. The summer program was an unqualified success in terms of leadership, counselors, and campers. The Lord truly manifested Himself.

<u>Actual campers:</u>	<u>Junior Camp</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>
	1st week	62	22	40
	2nd week	92	44	48
	3rd week	94	46	48
	4th week	95	48	47
	5th week	94	48	46
	Junior High week	93	46	47
	Total	530		
	Cancellations	15		
	Total registrations	545		

The Victory Valley Board rented the camp to many groups during the past year. The fact that many groups returned to rent the camp again this year was evidence that our accommodations and service were satisfying. Renting the camp in this way enables us to pay off our indebtedness and expand our facilities. The object of our expansion is that of reaching more of our youth for Christ.

During the past year a new John Deere tractor with attachments was donated to the "Valley" so that the grounds may be kept more attractive. We thank our Lord for this provision made possible through the Albert L. Wentz and Paul I. Wentz and Associated Foundation.

There is a slide-tape presentation of the camp available for churches and youth groups. Contact Mr. Harold E. Snyder for arrangements.

The schedule for 1972 is as follows:

Junior age (8 to 12 years, 2 to 6 grades) boys and girls

1st week - July 8 to 15

2nd week - July 15 to 22

3rd week - July 22 to 29

4th week - July 29 to August 5

5th week - August 5 to 12

Junior high age (12 to 14 years, 7 to 9 grades) , co-ed

One week - August 12 to 19

We recommend to the 88th Annual Conference at Pinebrook in October, 1971, the adoption of a new by-law allowing the Victory Valley Board to be composed of nine men, four ordained ministers and five laymen elected in three classes of three-year terms each. Initially, one class of three laymen would be elected for one-year terms; a second class of three ordained ministers would be elected for two-year terms; and a third class of two laymen and one ordained minister would be elected for three-year terms. Thereafter each class would be elected for three terms.

We recommend that each church make a contribution to Victory Valley Camp. The camp budget for 1971-72 indicates a need for church contributions of \$5,000. If each church would give at least 1% of its total offerings, this could be accomplished. Checks should be made payable to Victory Valley Camp and sent to the Financial Secretary of the Board before March 1, 1972.

FINANCIAL

Income:

Camp operation:

Camp fees	\$ 19,674.87
Camp offerings	296.05
Concessions	390.50
Handcraft	596.14
Snak shak sales	<u>846.10</u>

21,803.66

General:

Churches	4,495.10
Groups	11,870.75
Special	10,513.31
Cedar Crest note	3,000.00
Reimbursements	163.52
Other	<u>273.35</u>

30,316.03

Total Income

\$ 52,119.69Expenses.

Camp operation:

Camp fuel and power	1,724.23
Food purchases	5,197.89
Handcrafts	540.60
Kitchen supplies	136.88
Postage & Office Sps.	300.21
Publicity	1,316.75
Program	309.68
Pool maintenace	1,660.03
Snak shak	980.18
Sports	52.25
Telephone	394.16
Truck and tractor	170.59
Wages	12,128.27
Camper insurance	933.60
Garbage removal	176.00
Horsemanship	780.00
Miscellaneous	<u>977.49</u>

27,778.81

General administration:

Fuel and power for house	840.64
Insurance - fire	639.00
Interest expense	1,960.62
Maintenance-buildings	3,999.20
-grounds	55.00
-equip.	835.24
Membership fees	215.00
Taxes	1,256.25
Hospitalization	450.78
Medical Expenses	<u>21.00</u>

10,272.73

Total expenses

\$ 38,051.54

Gain for the year, transferred to Net Worth

\$ 14,068.15

BALANCE SHEET

Assets:

Cash - General	97.05
Cash - Summer account	12.46
Cash - Improve.fund	500.00
Inventory	997.10
Accounts receivable	1,300.00
Swimming pool	24,110.54
Furniture & fixtures	14,912.19
Real estate	<u>112,470.99</u>

154,400.33

Liabilities and Net Worth:

Liabilities:

Accounts payable	946.36
Accrued accounts pay	1,000.00
Notes payable:MRF	<u>24,500.00</u>

Total liabilities 26,446.36

Net Worth, Sept. 30, 1970 113,885.82

Gain from '70-71 season 14,068.15Net Worth, Sept. 30, 1971 127,953.97

Total Liabilities and Net Worth \$ 154,400.33

This Financial Report was prepared by John H. Herb, Financial Secretary.

This Financial Report and Account Book was audited by Joyce P. Mann of Nazareth, Pa.

(Carl C. Cassel, Chairman; John H. Herb, Financial Secretary; Donald R. Knauer, Secretary; Harry E. Bailey, Bright N. Heist, Ronald C. Mahurin, Paul I. Wentz, Jr. Board).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE LOCAL CONFERENCE MINUTES

We have examined all the Local Conference Minute Books and found them correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

(E. W. Bean, W. W. Hartman, Arthur W. Deppe, Arthur Mack, George W. Harper, Leonard F. Kessler, Carl K. Spackman, Clyde W. Snyder, Ernest E. Bauer, Ralph D. Cole, Edward J. Dietzman, Franklin Mead, Terris Byrd, Harold E. Snyder, Burton Deppe, H. Walter Stout, Philip T. Link, Richard Fisher, E. Gerald Hershey, James E. Weidner, Committee).

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE

Although the long range future of Pinebrook Junior College is still a matter of serious concern, there have been a number of developments over the past twelve months which, when taken together, seem encouraging to me.

One of our highest priorities has been in the area of establishing stability of faculty and staff. In that regard, we are very pleased that all faculty members have returned for the 1971-72 school year. Two staff vacancies which had been of concern to us have recently been filled. Miss Judith Snyder has recently joined us as secretary. Miss Snyder comes to us from the Denville and Hatfield Bible Fellowship Churches and brings experience as a secretary in industry. Miss Donna Kreiss of our Walnutport Church is a registered nurse who is also involved in part time study with us as she provides much needed nursing service for our students.

Of the fifteen students who graduated on May 24, 1971, ten were from Bible Fellowship Churches.

Student enrollment continues to climb with a fall enrollment of 57 students, 53 of which are full time. We sincerely praise our God for this growth in a year when many Christian and secular schools registered decreases in enrollment. Perhaps the most significant increase has taken place in the area of town students. We continue to enroll more men than women with a considerable number at least leaning toward a career in Christian ministries.

The financial challenge which has been confronting us for the past several years continues to be a cause for great concern. We have recently launched a fund raising drive beginning with our faculty and board, by which we are hoping to reach a balanced budget during the present fiscal year. This goal is a crucial one on at least two accounts. First of all, we are desirous to operate on a fiscally sound basis and secondly our progress in seeking regional accreditation will depend at least in part in our being able to achieve a balanced budget.

We purpose to continue working within the letter and the spirit of the Faith and Order of the Bible Fellowship Church unto the glory of our great God, and we desire your prayerful support to the end that we might be seen as having the same attitude that the disciple Mark saw in our Lord Jesus Christ which moved him to say, "The Son of man did not come to be served but to serve." (N. E. B.)

- David J. Watkins, President

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE

"Sing aloud unto God, our strength; make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob" (Ps. 81:1)

"Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation." (Ps. 68:19)

"Sing forth the honor of His name; make His praise glorious." (Ps. 66:2)

How we do thank and praise our God for His faithfulness during the past year. He has not forsaken us, but continues to make a way for us.

Financial problems are a continuing challenge. For what consolation it offers, this problem besets most older and larger schools. However, we continue to look to Him who knows the end from the beginning, resting upon His promises and praising Him for the enabling which He supplies.

With prospective students we must continually compete with the lure of the larger schools with their laboratories, athletic programs, scholarships and other peripheral attractions. In this area, an aggressive promotional program is beginning to bear fruit. Our enrollment this fall is 57 students, an increase of 7 over last fall's enrollment.

This past spring a team of educators representing the Pennsylvania Department of Education made their annual inspection. As a result of their report, the State has extended for another year their provisional approval of programs offered by the College. The report commended the School for the progress made since the last visit. Looking to God we are endeavoring to implement the suggestions made in the report.

In November, by an unanimous vote, Rev. David J. Watkins was elected to the office of President. This election was ratified by the Adjourned Session of the 87th Annual Conference and on the afternoon of May 24, 1971, Rev. Watkins was installed as President of Pinebrook Junior College.

May 24, 1971 was also graduation day and 15 Associate Degrees were granted.

We wish to express our thanks and gratitude to the Administration and Faculty and Staff who worked so willingly and diligently throughout the year; and for their tangible contributions to the College.

We thank the Alumni for their redecoration of the Student Lounge.

The Board met five times during the year to conduct its business, and the Committee have functioned well, fulfilling their respon—

sibilities. The Board organized with Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Chairman; Nicholas J. Sheetz, Secretary; and Carlton Wentz, Treasurer.

We encourage our churches 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.

More than this, we covet the continual prayers of all saints to the end that God would enable us to overcome all obstacles so that the School may continue to train tomorrow's leaders.

Pinebrook Junior College
Balance Sheet
June 30, 1971

Exhibit A

	<u>Assets</u>	
I. General Funds:		
General	\$11,833.71	\$16,686.99
Restricted-Cash	2,353.28	
Restricted-Receiveables	<u>2,500.00</u>	
II. Loan Funds:		
Cash	1,480.66	
Loans-Receiveable	<u>754.00</u>	2,234.66
III Endowments & Other Non-Expendable Funds:		
Funds Subject to Annuity Agreements		
Institutional Property		35.33
IV. Plant Fund		60,754.31
V. Agency Funds		<u>2,798.39</u>
Total Assets		82,509.68

	<u>Liabilities</u>	
I. Current Funds:		
Liabilities	40,230.07	
(Deficit)	<u>(23,543.08)</u>	16,686.99
II. Loan Funds:		
Principal of Funds		2,234.66
III. Endowments & Other Non-Expendable Funds:		
Funds Subject to Annuity Agreements		
Unrestricted Principal		35.33

IV. Plant Fund	
From Gifts & Current Funds	60,754.31
V. Agency Funds:	
Balance of Funds Due to Others	<u>2,798.39</u>
Total Liabilities	82,509.68

Exhibit B

Pinebrook Junior College
Condensed Statement of Current Income and Expenditures
For the Year Ended June 30, 1971

	<u>Income</u>	
Educational & General		
Student Fees	37,110.38	
Gifts & Grants		
Unrestricted	51,220.63	
Restricted	5,610.87	
General	1,250.00	95,191.88
Auxiliary Enterprises		37,585.26
Other Non-Educational Income		<u>78.00</u>
Total Income		132,855.14
	<u>Expenditures</u>	
Educational & General:		
Administration	32,750.64	
General Expense	12,551.20	
Instruction	50,109.70	
Library	2,227.62	
Operation & Maint. of		
Physical Plant	1,180.72	98,819.88
Auxiliary Enterprises		38,793.89
Other Non-Educational Expense		12,725.47
Total Expenditures		<u>150,339.24</u>
Excess of Expenditures over (under) Income:		
Educational & General	3,628.00	
Auxiliary Enterprises	1,208.63	
Other Non-Ed. Trans.	<u>12,647.47</u>	
Excess of Expenditures over Income-		
Net		17,484.10

(Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Chairman; David J. Watkins, President; Nicholas Sheets, Secretary; Carlon Wentz, Treasurer; James A. Beil, William W. Mull, Keith E. Plows, Donald R. Knauer, Clyde W. Snyder, Warren L. Zimmerman, Harold E. Snyder, Barry Kauffman, John M. Stengele, Board).

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

The past year has been a very frustrating one for the committee. Efforts to permanently locate the archives of our church have to this point proved fruitless.

The committee met once during the past year. It was determined at that meeting that little progress can be made in the collection and classification of archival materials until a permanent site for the Bible Fellowship Church Archives can be found. During the year it was learned that the Pinebrook Service Board was financially unable to provide adequate space for the location of the archives. The Committee, then, was faced with two alternatives: (1) To seek to locate the Bible Fellowship Church Archives at a place other than at Pinebrook, the conference center of our denomination, or; (2) To seek to secure funds from the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church in order to renovate appropriately an already existing building (such as "honeymoon cottage") at Pinebrook to house the Bible Fellowship Church Archives.

The Committee strongly recommends that the 88th Annual Conference authorized the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church to appropriate the funds necessary to provide a suitable location for the archives at Pinebrook, the Bible Fellowship Church Conference Center.

The Committee seeks the continued support of the constituency of the Bible Fellowship Church in its efforts to preserve the historical heritage of the Bible Fellowship Church.

(Paul H. Cressman, E. W. Bean, Raymond R. Dotts, Committee).

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

The Board held four regular and two special meetings during the 1970-1971 year.

Acting in behalf of the Board of Church Extension, the Officers of Board completed the purchase of parsonages in Somerset, New Jersey and Freehold, New Jersey. The property of United Bible Fellowship Church of Bethlehem Township was sold under the provisions made in the by-laws relating to church properties no longer housing a congregation of this fellowship.

The parsonage at 1218 E. Rosemont Drive, Bethlehem, formerly used by the District Superintendent, has been turned over to the Foreign Missions Board to provide housing for Missionaries on furlough.

Consultations on property matters were held with two congregations: Berean Bible Fellowship Church of Terre Hill, and the Graterford Bible Fellowship Church.

Steps were taken by the Board to turn over the Revolving Loan Fund to the Home for the Aging, according to the terms of an agreement made in 1961.

The proposed Administrative Budget of 1972-1973 and the Financial Report are submitted herewith for consideration.

	Approved for 1971-1972	Proposed for 1972-1973
1. Publication and Printing	500.00	500.
2. Conference Entertainment	1,600.00	1,600.
3. Beneficiary Fund	1,000.00	1,000.
4. Ministers' Retirement Fund	6,000.00	8,500.
5. Moving Fund	5,000.00	5,000.
6. Expenses for Board & Committees while transacting Con. Business	1,600.00	2,100
7. Other Expenses of Board of Directors	350.00	350.
8. Ministerial Convention Expenses	450.00	450.
9. Ministers' Assistance Fund	3,000.00	3,000.
10. Health & Welfare Insurance for Pastors and Dependents	13,024.12	16,000.*
11. For Use by the Ministerial Candidates Committee for Internships	1,000.00	1,000.
12. Contingencies	500.00	500.
Totals	\$ 34,024.12	\$ 41,000.

*Includes insurance coverage (31.54/ month) for Pastors of 42 churches contributing to the Budget.

Statement A

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1971-1970

	1971	1970
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Statement B - General Funds	121,519.29	124,255.61
" D - Fund-Promote Church E.	129,792.46	124,671.32
" F - Special Contributions	-	6,301.15
" H - Revolving Fund	-	13,500.00
" J - Pinebrook	665,892.83	734,319.07
" L - Ministers' Retire.	134,337.13	119,420.23
Total Assets	\$1,051,541.71	\$1,122,467.38

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Liabilities:

Statement B - General Funds	12,573.14	27,725.51
" D - Fund-Promote Church E.	26,252.07	28,888.25
" D - Funds Held in Trust	17,950.73	14,314.55
" F - Special Contributions	-	-
" H - Revolving Loan Fund	-	-
" J - Pinebrook	-	-
" L - Ministers' Retirement	-	-

Total Liabilities \$ 56,775.94 \$ 70,928.31

Net Worth:

Statement B - General Funds	108,946.15	96,530.10
" D - Fund-Promote Church E	85,589.66	81,468.52
" F - Special Contributions	-	6,301.15
" H - Revolving Loan Fund	-	13,500.00
" J - Pinebrook	665,892.83	734,319.07
" L - Ministers' Retirement	134,337.13	119,420.23

Total Net Worth \$ 994,765.77 \$1,051,539.07

Total Liabilities & Net Worth \$ 1,051,541.7 \$1,122,467.38

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

Statement B

GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

September 30, 1971-1970

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>
Cash - General Fund	2,118.63	(5,779.18)
" - Superintendent's Parsonage	2,447.32	9,509.69
" - Dormitory Fund	-	755.00
" - Moving Fund	1,982.60	2,394.16
" - Special Fund	1,500.00	-
" - Administration Budget	-	402.32
" - Health & Welfare Fund	(439.39)	375.68
Total Cash	\$ 7,609.16	\$ 7,657.67

Accounts Receivable:

Victory Valley - Interest	200.00	83.33
Pinebrook Service Board	-	2,305.59
Administration Budget:		
Allentown, Bethel	150.00	
Allentown, Cedar Crest	50.00	

Catasauqua	306.00		
Easton	400.00		
Emmaus	360.00		
Hatfield	121.76		
Maple Glen	150.00		
Mt. Carmel	180.00		
Nazareth	90.00		
Paradise	60.00		
Quakertown	305.00		
Reading	160.00		
Sinking Spring	367.15		
Spring City	13.54		
Stroudsburg	69.00		
Sunbury	25.00		
York	<u>115.00</u>		
		2,922.45	2,154.16

Health & Welfare Fund:

Bethlehem	5.03		
Belvidere	31.52		
Finesville	338.24		
Hatfield	31.54		
Maple Glen	26.51		
Reading	31.93		
Sinking Spring	4.39		
Walnutport	<u>21.65</u>		
		490.81	868.06

Statement BASSETS

Notes Receivable - Victory Valley	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Equip. & Furnishings - Supt's Par..	-	889.93
Real Estate:		
1218 E. Rosemont Dr. Beth. Pa.	21,807.86	21,807.86
424 Ridge St., Emmaus, Pa.	16,000.00	16,000.00
Victory Valley Camp	<u>67,489.01</u>	<u>67,489.01</u>
Total Assets	\$ 121,519.29	\$ 124,255.61

LIABILITIES AND NEW WORTH

Liabilities:

Accounts Payable-Pinebrook Jr. Col.	-	78.00
" -Home Board	-	1.45
" -Prudential Inc.Co.Of Am.	-	1,147.10
Prepayments of Administration Budget	-	402.32
Prepayments to Health&Welfare Fund:		
Victory Valley	10.06	
Wallingford	<u>63.08</u>	73.14
		96.64

Notes Payable:

Pinebrook Junior College Contract	5,000.00	5,000.00
1218 E. Rosemont Dr. (Rev. Loan Fund)	-	7,000.00

To Finance Victory Valley:		
Ministers' Retirement Fund	7,500.00	7,500.00
Revolving Loan Fund	-	6,500.00
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Total Liabilities	12,573.14	27,725.51
Net Worth - Sept. 30, 1970	- 96,530.10	
Gain from Statement C	- 12,416.05	
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Net Worth - Sept. 30	108,946.15	96,530.10
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Total Liabilities & Net Worth	\$121,519.29	\$124,255.61

GENERAL FUNDS - INCOME STATEMENT Statement C
Years Ended September 30, 1971-70

	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
Administration Budget:		
Publication and Printing	500.00	500.00
Annual Conference Entertainment	800.00	650.00
Beneficiary Fund	1,000.00	800.00
Conference Superintendent:		
Annual Support	-	7,350.00
Travel & Utility Grant	-	2,709.85
Parsonage	-	1,500.00
Ministers' Retirement Fund	16,195.80	5,000.00
Moving Fund	3,000.00	4,000.00
Expenses of Boards & Coms. while		
Transacting Con. Business	1,200.00	1,000.00
Other exp. Board of Directors	290.00	290.00
Ministers' Assistance Fund	3,000.00	3,000.00
Ministerial Convention	-	400.00
Contingencies	500.00	500.00
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Total Administration Budget Income	\$ 26,885.80	\$27,699.85
Repayment of Victory Valley Loan	6,500.00	-
Special Contribution Fund	6,301.15	-
Miscellaneous Income	200.01	174.04
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Total Income	\$ 39,886.96	\$27,873.89

EXPENSES

Administration Budget:		
Publication and Printing	500.00	500.00
Annual Conference Entertainment	800.00	650.00
Beneficiary Fund	1,000.00	800.00

Conference Superintendent:		
Annual Support	-	7,350.00
Travel and Utility Grant	-	2,709.85
Parsonage	62.37	197.22
Ministers' Retirement Fund	16,195.80	5,000.00
Moving Fund	3,411.56	1,085.66
Agenda Committee	20.66	
Com. To Form Board Publication and Printing	5.33	
Chairman Annual Con.	49.20	
Credentials Committee	889.82	
Government Committee	12.16	
Ministerial Candidate Com.	438.09	
Nominating Committee	19.84	
Program Committee	14.93	
Statistical Committee	59.95	
	1,510.43	1,155.20
Other Exp. -Board of Directors	195.42	224.22
Ministers' Assistance Fund	1,500.00	3,000.00
Ministerial Convention	425.00	454.92
Contingencies	225.40	279.88
Total Budget Expenses	25,825.98	23,406.95
Net Cost of Selling Berean Bible School Properties:		76,828.55
Dormitory Fund Trans. to Pinebrook Fund	755.00	-
Retirement of Applicable from D. S. Parson.	889.93	-
Truck Fund Account turned over to Pinebrook Service Board	-	294.41
Total Expenses	\$ 27,470.91	\$100,529.91
Gain (Loss) Transferred to Statement B	12,416.05	(72,656.02)

Fund To Promote Church Extension *
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1971-1970

<u>ASSETS</u>		<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>
Cash		10,523.10	23,509.90
Accounts Rec. Sinking Spring		-	3,000.00
Notes Rec. -Belvidere		11,000.00	11,000.00
" " Denville		9,156.77	9,581.16
" " Finesville		3,340.25	3,480.07
" " Freehold		10,892.08	-
" " Miller Heights		-	1,684.40
" " New Brunswick		13,703.96	-

Conditional Sales agreement for Macungie Church Blds. - Church of Nazarene	11,200.00	12,400.00
Mortgage Rec. -Mt. Nebo Church Binghamton, N. Y.	6,091.61	6,991.68
Mortgage Rec. -First Newborn Tabernacle, Newark, N. J.	-	1,454.42
Real Estate - Tract of Land- Finesville, N. J.	10,000.00	7,685.00
Real Estate -Sinking Spring Church Property	43,884.69	43,884.69
Total Assets	\$ 129,792.46	\$ 124,671.32

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Note Payable-Didden Greenhouse Profit Sharing	4,000.00	-
Note Payable -Sinking Spring	-	3,000.00
Mortgage Payable, Peoples Bank & Trust Co. Reading-Sinking Spring Church Property	22,252.07	25,888.25
Total Liabilities	\$ 26,252.07	\$ 28,888.25

Net Worth

Trust Funds for Sinking Spring C.	17,950.73	14,314.55
Reserve to Promote Church Ex. as of Sept. 30, '70	81,468.52	
Gain trans. -Statement E	4,121.14	
Reserved as of Sept. 30	85,589.66	81,468.52
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	\$ 129,792.46	\$ 124,671.32

*This fund was derived from the sales of abandoned Bible Fellowship Church properties.

Fund to Promote Church Extension INCOME STATEMENT Years Ended September 31, 1971-1970

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>
Interest Income	\$ 1,100.82	\$ 1,058.62
Rentals at Millersville	-	40.00
Sale of Misc. Prop. Macungie	125.00	58.00
Net Cost of selling Millersville Pro.	-	6,542.27
Net Cost of selling Macungie Parson.	-	6,938.13

Net Cost of selling Macungie church	-	13,000.00
Net Cost of selling Miller Hgts. Pro:		
Consideration	27,500.00	
Clearing Encum.	(11,431.95)	
Selling costs	(2,078.62)	
Total Income	\$ 13,989.43	-
	\$ 15,215.25	\$ 27,637.02

EXPENSES

Interest on Miller Hgts.Note	138.95	-
Misc.Exp - Miller Heights	790.58	-
Misc.Exp - Millersville	-	73.38
Misc.Exp - Macungie	-	867.93
Taxes on land - Finesville	164.58	295.20
Int. on Encum - Millersville	-	309.23
Grant to Freehold	5,000.00	-
Grant to New Brunswick	5,000.00	-
Total Expenses	\$ 11,094.11	\$ 1,545.74
Net Gain Transferred to State.D	4,121.14	26,091.28
		<u>Statement F</u>

Special Contribution Fund*
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1971-1970

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>
Cash	-	405.57
Notes Rec. -Miller Heights	-	5,895.58
Total Assets	-	\$ 6,301.15
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH</u>		
Liabilities	-	-
Net Worth - Sept. 30, 1970	\$6,301.15	
Loss Trans.St.G	<u>6,301.15</u>	
Net Worth Sept. 30, 1971	-	<u>6,301.15</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	-	\$ 6,301.15
		<u>Statement G</u>

Special Contribution Fund
INCOME STATEMENT
Years Ended September 30, 1971-1970

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>
Interest Income	-	200.64

EXPENSES

Contributions distributed to:

Pinebrook Jr. College	-	500.00
Board of Directors, Gen. Fund	<u>6,301.15</u>	<u>-</u>

Net Loss Transferred to Statement F.	(6,301.15)	(299.36)
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*This fund was a gift without the donor having specified how the fund was used.

Statement H

Revolving Loan Fund*
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1971-1970

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>
Cash	-	-
Notes Receivable:		
Financing 1218 E. Rosemont Dr	-	7,000.00
Financing Victory Valley	<u>-</u>	<u>6,500.00</u>
Total Assets	\$ -	\$ 13,500.00

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Liabilities:	-	-
Net Worth-Sept. 30, 1970 \$	13,500.	
Loss Transf. Stat. I	<u>13,500.</u>	
Net Worth -Sept. 30'71	-	13,500.00
	\$	
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	-	\$ 13,500.00

Statement I

Revolving Loan Fund
INCOME STATEMENT
Years Ended September 30, 1971-1970

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>
Interest Income	-	-
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
Paid to B. F. C. Home	<u>13,500.00</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Loss Transferred to State. H	\$ 13,500.00	\$ -

*This fund was created by the dissolution of the Laymen's Benevolent Society, page 45, 1961 Year book.

Statement J

Pinebrook*
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1971-1970

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>
Cash	\$ 1,102.12	\$ 31,013.16
Accounts Receivable:		
Pinebrook Service Board	-	60,032.65
Real Estate:		
Furniture & Equipment:		
Pinebrook Service Board	60,642.24	57,689.59
Pinebrook Jr. College	14,697.61	14,697.61
Property:		
Original Purchase	432,348.78	432,348.78
Marsh Property	15,369.30	15,369.30
Improvement to Bldg.:		
Admin. Building	3,842.88	3,842.88
Bunk House	12,461.92	9,562.61
Bus. Mgr. House - Staff H.	6,598.94	6,598.94
Camping Area, Showers	11,761.29	11,699.05
Chapel	683.90	683.90
Deluxe Cabins	8,744.59	1,861.32
Echobrook	14,494.54	14,494.54
Honeybrook	7,717.26	7,717.26
Kitchen & Dining Hall	12,060.23	11,997.52
Maint. Bldg.	301.03	-
Music Platform	238.28	238.28
Nearbrook	403.93	371.58
Outdoor Pool	2,472.34	2,472.34
Overbrook	47,862.03	45,313.22
Pine Lodge	1,023.50	-
Snack Shop	5,321.01	3,594.61
Sunnybrook	2,705.79	2,520.61
Viewbrook	209.32	199.32
Truck	2,800.00	-
Total Assets	\$ 665,892.83	\$ 734,319.07
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH</u>		
Liabilities	-	-
Net Worth - Sept. 30, 1970	\$ 734,319.07	
Loss - Trans. to S. K	68,426.24	
Net Worth - Sept. 30th	665,892.83	734,319.07
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	\$ 665,892.83	\$ 734,319.07

*This fund represents investments at Pinebrook made by and through the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church.

Pinebrook
INCOME STATEMENT
Years Ended September 30, 1971-1970

Statement K

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>
Contributions from Sale of Berean Bible School Property	-	\$ 48,867.99
Interest Income	-	8,861.00
Contributions from individuals	765.00	496.00
Contributions from Churches	<u>130.00</u>	<u>379.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 895.00	\$ 58,603.99
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
Fire Insurance	20,159.00	-
Taxes	6,856.65	-
Cash to Service Board	40,000.00	-
Workmen's Com. Ins.	2,305.59	-
Interest Paid	-	7,238.04
Power of Attorney	<u>-</u>	<u>7.75</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 69,321.24	\$ 7,245.79
Net Loss Transferred to St. J.	68,426.24	51,358.20

Statement K

Ministers' Retirement Fund*
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1971-1970

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>
Cash	\$ 14,194.04	\$ 22,478.29
Cash-Savings&Loan Account	3,832.65	2,925.18
Accrued Int. Receivable	-	260.62
Stocks & Bonds (See footnote)	71,411.81	71,411.81
Notes Receivable:		
Pinebrook Junior College	20,000.00	-
Paradise Church	4,898.63	5,344.33
Victory Valley	<u>20,000.00</u>	<u>17,000.00</u>
Total Assets	\$ 134,337.13	\$ 119,420.23

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Liabilities	-	-
Net Worth-Sept. 30 '70	\$ 119,420.23	
Gain-Statement M	<u>14,916.90</u>	
Net Worth - Sept 30th	\$ 134,337.13	\$ 119,420.23
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	\$ 134,337.13	\$ 119,420.23

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

200 shares Pennsylvania Power & Light preferred stock with annual dividend of \$4.50	\$ 21,536.81
25 U.S. Treasury Notes 7-1/2% due 8/15/76	24,875.00
75 shares Red Hill S&L Assn. 5-1/4%	15,000.00
1 Savings Cert. 1st Penn. Band & Trust Co. Phila., (5-3/4% compounded daily)	<u>10,000.00</u>
Total Stocks and Bonds	\$ 71,411.81

*This fund is held in the custody of the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church for the benefit of retired ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church, page G, 1970 Yearbook.

Statement M

Ministers' Retirement Fund
INCOME STATEMENT
Years Ended September 30, 1971-70

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>
Contributions from Ad. Budget	16,195.80	5,000.00
Contributions from Pastors	3,644.75	2,575.03
Special Contributions	196.50	-
Dividends	900.00	900.00
Interest Income	<u>5,384.80</u>	<u>4,978.13</u>
Total Income	\$ 26,321.85	\$ 13,453.16
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
Refunds to members who resigned	176.91	208.86
Annuities Paid	<u>11,228.04</u>	<u>11,741.49</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 11,404.95	\$ 11,950.35
Net Gain Trans. to Statement L	\$ 14,916.90	\$ 1,502.81

(Carl C. Cassel, Chairman; James G. Koch, Horace A. Kauffman, Byron C. Cassel, Jansen E. Hartman, Harry Bailey, James R. Cressman, John H. Riggall, Arlington L. Seifert, Board).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Church	Foreign Missions	Church Extension	Total
Allentown (Bethel)	22,000.00	7,260.00	29,260.00
Allentown (C.Crest)	4,625.00	100.00	4,725.00
Allentown (Salem)	800.00	-	800.00
Belvidere	650.00	-	650.00
Bethlehem	15,300.00	3,500.00	18,800.00
Blandon	1,000.00	200.00	1,200.00
Catasauqua	300.00	-	300.00
Coopersburg	3,600.00	600.00	4,200.00
Denville	500.00	380.00	880.00
Easton	500.00	-	500.00
Emmaus	8,000.00	2,125.00	10,125.00
Ephrata	2,000.00	200.00	2,200.00
Finesville	25.00	-	25.00
Fleetwood	3,050.00	2,200.00	5,250.00
Graterford	3,254.43	750.00	4,004.43
Harleysville	4,000.00	400.00	4,400.00
Harrisburg	3,800.00	1,388.74	5,188.74
Hatfield	9,500.00	4,500.00	14,000.00
Lancaster	2,000.00	1,000.00	3,000.00
Lebanon	850.00	300.00	1,150.00
Lehighton	200.00	200.00	400.00
Maple Glen	150.00	150.00	300.00
Mount Carmel	6,000.00	1,000.00	7,000.00
Nazareth	2,480.00	1,125.75	3,605.75
Paradise	700.00	100.00	800.00
Phila. (Calvary)	2,000.00	700.00	2,700.00
Phila. (Emmanuel)	1,800.00	100.00	1,900.00
Quakertown	2,500.00	2,600.00	5,100.00
Reading	5,000.00	3,300.00	8,300.00
Royersford	3,500.00	1,000.00	4,500.00
Scranton	526.84	301.45	828.29
Shamokin	3,601.46	1,000.00	4,601.46
Sinking Spring	1,792.67	-	1,792.67
Spring City	3,000.00	710.00	3,710.00
Staten Island	692.00	330.00	1,022.00
Stroudsburg	800.00	150.00	950.00
Sunbury	3,089.00	1,421.00	4,510.00
Terre Hill	3,500.00	750.00	4,250.00
Wallingford	8,500.00	3,000.00	11,500.00
Walnutport	325.00	-	325.00
York	3,500.00	1,125.00	4,625.00
Zionsville	750.00	25.00	775.00
TOTAL	\$ 140,161.40	43,991.94	184,153.34
INCREASE	4,360.06	2,115.97	6,476.03

We recommend that the Finance Committee be discontinued as of the 88th Annual Conference. The "Pastor's Financial Report" shall be discontinued. The information contained in the report

submitted herewith shall hereafter be complied by the Treasurers of the Boards of Foreign Missions and Church Extension. These Boards shall incorporate this information in their reports to Annual Conference. These Boards shall also furnish the same information to the Statistical Committee so it is available for use by the latter on the Tuesday preceding the first session of Annual Conference.

(Robert W. Truett, Sterling E. Baer, Robert Brietegam, Robert W. Gehret, Paul H. Cressman, Byron C. Cassel, Committee).

REPORT OF THE PINEBROOK CONFERENCE BOARD

The Pinebrook Conference Board held nine meetings during the year. The Board elected the following officers to serve during the year: Chairman, John H. Riggall; Secretary, R. C. Mahurin; Treasurer, L. E. Boyles; Representative to Pinebrook Service Board, N. W. Granda.

The Board has been encouraged to see a steady increase in the use of our facilities. It was impossible to honor all the requests for week-end retreats especially during the winter months. Nine full weeks of summer conference ministry proved to be blessed of God with some of these weeks running at full capacity or near full capacity. There were reports of many professions of faith and Christians being strengthened.

A new horsemanship program and film series were initiated during the summer months.

Much materials and many hours of donated labor has enabled the Conference to continue its program of updating our facilities. Through a personal contact of one of our Board members with the Allen Organ Company we were able to purchase an Allen Organ valued at \$5,500 for \$2,000. This will eliminate the costly rental fees we have been paying for the organ year after year. A 1970 Plymouth Station Wagon was donated to Pinebrook and has proven to be most useful.

Each week a missionary offering was received and \$500 has been given to the Board of Foreign Missions for their special fund toward the construction of missionary housing.

A. L. Seifert, Director of Pinebrook Conference, has given himself untiringly to this ministry. His wife is to be commended for her volunteer time and energy on behalf of Pinebrook.

We feel a deep sense of gratitude also for John Moran and his wife. These dedicated servants of the Lord have given of themselves far beyond what we should expect.

The following resolution expresses the firm conviction of the Board:

Whereas, the program of the Pinebrook Conference Board has greatly increased over the past three years and,

Whereas, the demands upon the part-time director have been increasing rapidly with the growth of the program and,

Whereas, the Conference Board foresees an ever increasing growth of responsibilities and demands upon the part-time director and,

Whereas, the Stroudsburg Official Board has indicated to us their unwillingness to accept a part-time pastor, therefore be it,

Resolved, that we petition the 88th Annual Conference for permission to elect a full-time Director as of October 15, 1971.

(John H. Riggall, Chairman; A.L.Seifert, Director; Ronald C. Mahurin, Secretary; Lee E.Boyles, Treasurer; C.E.Kirkwood, Norman W.Granda, Kermit Gehman, Board).

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance brought forward as of 6/30/70 \$ 11,732.41

RECEIPTS:

Convocations	159,048.43	
Gifts	1,887.00	
Offerings	5,618.19	
Carpet Fund	3,074.00	
Public Address System	40.00	
Refund	313.22	
New Auditorium	392.00	
Miscellaneous	6.00	
Total		\$ 170,378.84
		\$ 182,111.25

EXPENSES:

Advertising	2,617.28
Honorariums	5,249.00
Miscellaneous	8,835.75
Office Equipment	3,290.20
Office Supplies	1,710.02
Pinebrook Service Board	140,713.88
Postage	1,954.68
Refunds	285.65
Secretarial	593.00
Station Wagon Insurance & Maintenance	485.50
Telephone	198.20
Board Expenses	286.19
Meals	17.30
Mileage	114.80
Director's Salary	3,500.00
Director's Health Insurance	265.10
Printing	5,169.08

Contributions	500.00	
Refunds	<u>138.00</u>	\$ 175,795.63

Balance as of 6/30/71 \$6,315.62

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Balance brought forward as of 6/30/70 \$11,732.41

	<u>General Fund</u>	
Balance	\$ 8,542.41	
Receipts	166,912.84	
Expenses	<u>174,119.24</u>	
Balance		1,336.00
	<u>Auditorium Fund</u>	
Balance	\$ 3,190.00	
Receipts	<u>392.00</u>	
Balance		3,582.00
	<u>Carpet Fund</u>	
Receipts	\$ 3,074.00	
Expenses	<u>1,676.39</u>	
Balance		<u>1,397.61</u>
		6,315.62
Amount Due Service Board	\$158,642.00	
Amount Paid	<u>140,713.88</u>	
Accounts Payable	<u>17,928.12</u>	

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS

We have received communications from Paul E. Baer, Raymond R. Dotts, W. F. Heffner and Norman H. Wolf. All have informed us of their deep concern and prayerful interest in the deliberations of this Annual Conference.

On behalf of the Conference we commend these servants of Christ and pledge our continued prayerful concern for them.

(William A. Heffner, David L. Branning, Harold C. Weaber, William W. Mull, committee).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS

Record

Ordained Ministers	47
Probationers	10
Elders	260
Deacons	5

Pastors' Activities

Pastoral Visits	15,787
Baptized	220
Children dedicated	91
Weddings	71
Funerals	110

Membership

Received into Church Fellowship	234
Received by Transfer from B. F. Churches	58
Received by transfer from other churches	21
Total Increase	313

Died	46
Withdrawn	66
Dropped	74
Transferred to B. F. Churches	55
Transferred to other churches	36
Total Decrease	277

Net Increase	36
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Total Membership	4,570
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Sunday Schools

Total enrollment	7,678
Total average attendance	5,815
Cradle roll members	302
Home Department members	180

Church Properties

Churches	45
Parsonages	44
Present Valuation of Church Properties	\$ 6,591,448.

Financial

Total Income	\$ 1,368,064.
Total Offerings	1,309,967.

Disbursements - Conference Benevolences

Conference Administrative Budget	25,304.
Foreign Missions	140,161.
Church Extension	43,992.
Home for the Aging	5,088.
Pinebrook Junior College	32,594.
Board of Christian Education	1,223.
Victory Valley	4,703.

located by Route 191 and installation of a new electrical service for the camping area and adjacent buildings.

The Service Board is in the midst of negotiations with the Pennsylvania Power and Light Company in reference to the re-location of certain telephone poles on our property and is also continuing to seek an answer to the sewage disposal problem with which we are faced.

We covet your prayers as we continue to seek answers to these questions. It is our goal that we might be faithful and wise stewards of the responsibility which has been placed in our hands.

David J. Watkins, Secretary
Pinebrook Service Board

PINEBROOK SERVICE BOARD

INCOME STATEMENT

July 1, 1970-June 30, 1971

INCOME

Dining Room	\$ 1,672.79
College	44,943.22
Conference	154,630.00
Bible Fell. Ch. -Income	405.71
Vend. Mach., Donation, Sal. & Mis.	2,083.66
Snack Bar & Bookstore Income	
(Includes Receivables)	<u>4,795.17</u>

\$208,530.55

OPERATING EXPENSES

Wages	
Adm., Bldg & Grounds	\$12,646.64
Kitchen & Dining R.	27,489.85
Housekeeping	7,129.72
Office	1,866.14
Lifeguard Rec.	918.57
Laundry	3,250.47
Mis. Conf. Help	<u>207.28</u>
Total Wages	53,508.67
Food-Net of Inventory	57,972.29
Dining Room Supplies	14,510.93
Laundry Main. & Supplies	2,461.69
Gen. Main., Repairs and Supplies	10,881.37
Payroll Tax Expense	3,099.87
Electric, Heat and Utilities	5,136.64
Insurance	4,547.48
Legal & Accounting-Misc.	1,799.99
Main. -Auto, Power Equip. & Rec.	2,799.31
Grounds & Road Expense	1,229.00
Real Estate Taxes	1,705.61
Depreciation (Schedule B)	427.92
Bldg. Expenses (Schedule A.)	<u>25,906.97</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXP.	

\$185,987.74

NET OPERATING INCOME	22,542.81
OTHER EXPENSES	
Prior Period Payroll Tax	1,842.81
Bookstore Wages	400.00
Sn. Bar Sup. & Main.	2,369.78
Sn. Bar Wages	<u>2,025.39</u>
	<u>4,395.17</u>
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	<u>6,637.98</u>
NET INCOME	15,904.83

Schedule B

PINEBROOK SERVICE BOARD
SCHEDULE OF FIXED ASSET DEPRECIATION
July 1, 1970- June 30, 1971

Assets	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Life</u>	<u>Deprec. this year</u>	<u>Net</u>
		(Years)	(Months)	
Furn. & Fixtures				
Honeybrook	\$517.69	10	51.77	465.92
Adm. Bldg.	291.00	10	29.10	261.90
Rec. Equip.	132.66	10	13.27	119.39
Capital Improvements				
Adm. Bldg.	771.00	10	(6)	38.58
Chapel	454.31	10	(6)	22.74
Nearbrook	347.34	10	(6)	17.34
Viewbrook	347.33	10	(6)	17.34
Echobrook	550.34	10	(6)	27.54
Overbrook	26.22	10	(6)	1.32
Pine Lodge	733.82	10	(6)	36.72
Deluxe Cabins	593.92	10	(6)	29.70
Tabernacle	256.20	10	(6)	12.84
Bus. Man. Home	285.72	10	(6)	14.28
Honeybrook	409.19	10	(6)	20.46
Sunnybrook	749.71	10	(6)	37.50
Auto & Power Eq.				
(Back Hoe)	500.00	5	(6)	50.00
Bunkhouse	<u>74.20</u>	10	<u>7.42</u>	<u>66.78</u>
Totals	7,040.65		427.92	6,612.73

PINEBROOK SERVICE BOARD				EXPENSES 7/1/70-6/30/71		SCHEDULE A	
	Tot. Amt. Expended	Linen Purchased	Capitol Improvements	Current Dept. on Cap. Improv.	Current Exp. other than Depreciation		
Chapel	\$ 1,148.21	-	454.31	22.74	693.90		
Nearbrook	1,900.92	-	347.34	17.34	1,553.58		
Viewbrook	1,936.57	-	347.33	17.34	1,589.24		
Echobrook	1,535.88	-	550.34	27.54	985.54		
Overbrook	4,227.60	-	26.22	1.32	4,201.38		
President's Home	738.73	-	-	-	738.73		
Honeybrook	4,224.98	211.67	409.19	20.46	3,604.12		
Sunnybrook	3,851.69	185.72	749.71	37.50	2,916.26		
Pine Lodge-Conference	2,127.26	105.84	733.82	36.72	1,287.60		
Outdoor Pool	2,833.51	-	-	-	2,833.51		
Deluxe Cabins	1,944.83	26.46	593.92	29.70	1,324.45		
Marsh Cottage	61.06	-	-	-	61.06		
Tabernacle	464.91	-	256.20	12.84	208.71		
Campers Serv. and Utility Bldg.	1,278.97	-	-	-	1,278.97		
Staff Cabin	42.45	-	-	-	42.45		
Bus. Man. Home	802.42	-	285.72	14.28	516.70		
Bookstore	269.47	-	-	-	269.47		
Adm. Bldg.	2,572.30	-	771.00	38.58	1,801.30		
Totals	31,961.76	(A) 529.69	5,525.10	(B) 276.36	25,906.97		

(A) Purchase of linens represents 2/3 of cost. 1/3 was used as current expense.

(B) Depreciation set up on all capital expenditures charged to individual buildings. A 10 yr. life span was assigned and in the first year, 6 months depreciation was used.

PINEBROOK SERVICE BOARD
SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
JULY 1, 1970 - JUNE 30, 1971

Cash in Bank - July 1, 1970 \$ 1,849.02

RECEIPTS:

Income - Conference	\$	141,680.63
Income - College		36,069.41
Income - Dining Room		1,444.60
Income - Snack Bar		3,500.00
Income - Sale of Salvage		50.00
Income - Contributions & Don.		151.50
Income - Miscellaneous		1,923.28
Total Receipts		184,819.42

TOTAL RECEIPTS AND BALANCE \$ 186,668.44

CURRENT DISBURSEMENTS:

Kitchen & Dining Room - Food	54,260.30
Kitchen & Dining Room -Supplies	
Heat, Utilities	11,036.46
Wages - Bldg. Grounds, Maintenance	12,646.64
Wages - Kitchen & Dining Room	27,489.85
Wages - Housekeeping	7,129.72
Wages - Office Help	1,866.14
Wages - Life Guard & Recreation	918.57
Wages - Laundry	3,250.47
Wages - Snack Shop	2,348.39
Wages - Bookstore	745.00
Wages - Conference Help-Misc.	207.28
Maintenance - Bldg. & Grounds	8,374.93
Maintenance - Admin. Bldg.	1,569.93
Office Supplies - expenses, postage	607.47
Real Estate Taxes	1,992.70
Payroll Taxes	3,923.61
Admin. Bldg. Utilities, Electricity	3,285.25
Fire & Liability Insurance	5,753.78
Legal, Acct. and Auditing	1,227.00
Auto & Power Equip. Main. Repair	1,348.70
Recreation Equip. Expenses	791.51
Grounds & Roads -Supplies & Main.	867.54
Medical Assistance & Fees	111.75
Telephone	1,970.91
Miscellaneous Expenses	156.24
Chapel -Main. , Repairs, Upkeep	685.40
Nearbrook -Main. , Repairs, Upkeep, Col.	1,486.52
Viewbrook -Main. , Repairs, Upkeep, Col.	1,507.69
Echobrook -Main. , Repairs, Upkeep, Col.	945.68
Overbrook -Main. , Repairs, Upkeep, Col.	3,981.23
President's Home -Main. , Repairs, Up.	732.78
Vending Machine (net of income)	41.12

Bus. Mgr's Home - Main., Repairs, Up.	
Conf.	491.00
Honeybrook - Main, Repairs, Upkeep - Conf(a)	3,388.17
Sunnybrook - Main, Repairs, Upkeep - Conf(a)	2,443.70
Pine Lodge - Main, Repairs, Upkeep - Conf(a)	1,267.20
Outdoor, Indoor Pool - Main. Upkeep - Conf.	1,998.02
Deluxe Cabins - Main. Repairs, " - Conf. (a)	1,050.19
Marsh Cottage - Main. Repairs, " "	21.33
Tabernacle - Main. Repairs, Unkeep - Conf.	168.85
Campers Utility Bld. Main. " "	541.95
Staff Cabins - Main. Repairs, Upkeep - Conf.	22.95
Bookstore, Supplies & Repairs	219.85
Snack Bar, Supplies and Repairs	2,137.50
Laundry Supplies and Repairs	2,166.99
Total Current Disbursements	<u>\$ 179,178.26</u>
Excess of Receipts & Balance over current disburs.	7,490.18

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES:

Nearbrook - College	\$ 347.34	
Viewbrook - College	347.33	
Echobrook - College	550.34	
Overbrook - College	26.22	
Honeybrook - Conference (b)	509.86	
Sunnybrook - Conference (b)	824.43	
Pine Lodge - Conference (b)	839.66	
Deluxe Cabins - Conference (b)	1,026.09	
Tabernacle - Conference	256.20	
Business Manager's Home	285.72	
Automotive and Power Equip.	500.00	
Administrative Building	771.00	
Chapel	454.31	
Total Capital Expenditures	<u>6,738.50</u>	

Excess of receipts and balance over current and non-current disbursements	751.68
Add: Non-operating income (B.F.C)	405.71
Cash in bank - June 30, 1971	<u>\$ 1,157.39</u>

(a) Cost of purchase linens apportioned over 3 years - Current Disbursements include current portion.

(b) Includes Non-Current portion of Purchased Linens.

Accounts Receivable as of 6/30/71:	
Conference	\$ 16,961.37
College	9,102.00
Bookstore and Snack Bar	1,637.12
	<u>\$ 27,700.49</u>

Accounts Payable as of 6/30/71	\$ 23,087.19
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SNACK SHOP
JULY 1, 1970 - JUNE 30, 1971

Balance on Hand	\$	1,896.64
<u>Receipts</u>		<u>12,871.54</u>
Total	\$	<u>14,768.18</u>

Expenditures:

Labor and Utilities (Pinebrook Service Board)	3,500.00	
Equipment and Repairs	410.74	
Merchandise	151.11	
Food and Soda Fountain	<u>9,106.74</u>	
	\$	13,168.59
Balance June 30, 1971	\$	1,599.59

BOOK AND GIFT SHOP
JULY 1, 1970 - JUNE 30, 1971

Balance on Hand 7/1/70	\$	190.18
<u>Receipts</u>		<u>10,735.63</u>
Total	\$	<u>10,925.81</u>

Disbursements:

Books, records, tapes	\$	5,346.46
Gifts, souvenirs, stationery	4,708.77	
Supplies	567.24	
Equipment	<u>179.95</u>	
	\$	<u>10,802.42</u>
Balance on Hand 6/30/71	\$	123.39

(Robert Breitegam, Ronald Ensminger, Norman W. Granda,
A. L. Seifert, Warren Zimmerman, David J. Watkins, Comm.)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE ANNUAL CON-
FERENCE MINUTES

We hereby certify that we have examined the Annual Conference Minutes for the session of the Eighty Seventh Annual Conference. We have found a few minor errors which have been noted for correction.

We hereby submit two copies duly certified.

(Harold C. Weaver, LeRoy C. Wilcox, committee)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDITING

The Committee on Auditing has examined the financial reports and accounts of the following:

Beneficiary Society
Committee on Publication and Printing
Committee to Publish FELLOWSHIP NEWS
Business Manager, FELLOWSHIP NEWS
Conference Treasurer
Youth Fellowship General Committee

Due to the lack of time and of supporting information needed to conduct a thorough audit of these accounts, the Committee requests that all boards and committees have their accounts audited prior to Annual Conference in accordance with our By-laws, Rule S, page L, 1969 Yearbook.

The Committee advises that the financial reports of the following boards and committees have been audited 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
Board of Victory Valley
Pinebrook Bible Conference Board
Sunday School Promotion Committee
Board of Church Extension
Pinebrook Service Board

In the opinion of the Committee, all reports accurately represent the accounts and all the accounts appear to be in satisfactory condition.

We recommend, that all monies which are due to conference boards and committees be forwarded to them prior to August 31 of the year in which they are to be reported.

(William R. Hunsberger, Chairman; Clifford L. Kauffman, Ronald Ensminger, John M. Slater, Clayton Brosius, Edward A. Stortz, Richard S. Achey, Harold L. Snyder, Jr., Clayton Dietz, LeRoy C. Wilcox, Dale L. Kemmerer, T. Lamarn Manney, Bright N. Heist, Howard E. Schaeffer, Stanley C. Kalbach, Committee).

REPORT OF PENSION COMMITTEE

Through the gracious help of Richard LeFevre of Bethel Bible Fellowship Church of Emmaus, Pa., the Pension Committee was given the benefit of a study made of the Ministers' Retirement Fund by Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company. Copy of this study is attached to this report.

This study is based on the following assumptions: All of the rules, regulations and benefits for the purpose of the study are the same as now in effect, including the requirement that there be a semi-annual contribution to the fund by all ministers licensed by the Bible Fellowship Church.

It includes at this point of the study no increased annuities or any other added benefit (See page 3 of study)

It does assume a retirement in the future of all ministers at age 65.

It assumes further that at retirement the insurance company will set aside a sum of money sufficient (as found by its actuaries) to guarantee payment of the annuities as planned.

Your attention is directed to page 5 of the study entitled "Analysis of Contributions". Note first the fifth line: Past service valuation for 14 immediate retirements. This refers to the thirteen existing annuitants and to Brother E. W. Bean, who is now more than 65 years of age. The study shows that to pay annuities at the present rate to these fourteen will require setting aside immediately \$98,862.

To have sufficient funds on hand at age 65 for the active ministers (excluding E. W. Bean) their past service will require the fund to contain as of September 30, 1971, \$84,558 (see line 4 page 5 of study).

This brings the total past service valuation to \$183,420 (line 6 page 5 of study). The book value of the fund on September 30, 1970, was almost \$120,000. As of September 30, 1971, it is \$134,000. This indicates a substantial actuarial deficit in the fund, shown in the study as \$63,420.

However, the book value of the fund includes 200 shares of Pennsylvania Power and Light Company preferred stock for a total \$21,536.81. These shares pay an annual dividend of \$900 or 7 1/2% on the present market value of \$60 a share. At the present market value, the book value is overstated by \$9,536. If the fund were turned over to the insurance company, it would have a value of only \$110,000 and the actuarial deficit would be \$73,420.

Page 5 of the study suggest further that to overcome the deficit will require annual payments into the fund, as follows:

In Ten Years	\$9,702 plus \$2,733 or \$12,434
In Thirty Years	7,288 plus 2,733 or 10,021

To prevent increase in deficit by paying interest on	
it -	6,530 plus 2,733 or 9,263

Income of the plan (excluding return on investments) was:

1968	\$ 6,541.27
1969	7,540.77
1970	7,575.03

To be fair to all active ministers, the committee cannot recommend an increase in annuities at this time. To do so before the plan is fully funded would be to dissipate the fund to meet present need to the future detriment and hurt of the active ministers who are investing in the fund in expectation of future benefits.

The Committee suggest that present needs be met out of contributions of Christian men who are moved to help (I Cor. 16:1)

We also urge that each congregation take note of the desirability that annual contributions to the Ministers' Retirement Fund be increased so more adequate provision can be made for the future.

There are advantages in turning over the fund to Massachusetts Insurance Company, viz.:

- a. The fund will be regularly studied by skilled actuaries.
- b. The financial return will be improved.
- c. There will be increased objectivity in administration of the fund.
- d. The Insurance Company will take over a substantial amount of record keeping and routine administrative duties.

But the Insurance Company will charge the fund a minimum of \$1,000 a year for its services. The Committee feels that the Ministers' Retirement Fund of the Bible Fellowship Church is too small to warrant this added expense and that the benefits will be less than the expenses incurred.

We recommend, therefore, that the Conference take no action at this time to turn over the Ministers' Retirement Fund to an insurance company.

We do recommend that each minister re-read and become acquainted with the rules and regulations of the Ministers' Retirement Fund, as they appear on pages G, h and I of the 1970 Yearbook.

(Horace A. Kauffman, Byron C. Cassel, James R. Cressman, Harry Bailey, Committee).

REPORT OF STATIONING COMMITTEE

The Committee organized by electing John H. Riggall, Chairman, and Byron C. Cassel, Secretary.

A call of the roll of self-supporting churches determined that each of them was represented by its delegate.

The Committee approved the choice of pastor made by each particular church under the Pulpit Supply System, as follows:

<u>CHURCHES</u>	<u>APPOINTMENT</u>
Allentown (Bethel)	James G. Koch
Allentown (Cedar Crest)	To be supplied
Allentown (Salem)	Leon K. Overpeck
Belvidere	John H. Herb
Bethlehem	Frank L. Herb, Jr.
Blandon	Arthur H. Frable
Catasauqua	To be supplied
Coopersburg	LeRoy S. Heller
Denville	Willard E. Cassel
Easton	LeRoy C. Wilcox
Emmaus	Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.
Ephrata	Robert W. Smock
Finesville	Harold C. Weaver
Fleetwood	Austin G. Shelly
Graterford	Keith E. Plows
Harleysville	David E. Thomann
Harrisburg	R. C. Reichenbach
Hatfield	Ronald C. Mahurin
Lancaster	John Dunn
Lebanon	Bruce A. Ellingson
Lehighton	To be supplied
Maple Glen	Carl K. Spackman
Mount Carmel	Paul G. Zimmerman
Nazareth	James A. Beil
Paradise	William W. Heffner
Philadelphia (Calvary)	Keith Yoder
Philadelphia (Emmanuel)	To be supplied
Quakertown	Bert N. Brosius
Reading	Jansen E. Hartman
Royersford	Robert F. Johnson
Scranton	To be supplied
Shamokin	To be supplied
Sinking Spring	Terris L. Byrd
Spring City	George E. Herb
Staten Island	Daniel G. Ziegler
Stroudsburg	To be supplied
Sunbury	William W. Mull
Terre Hill	W. W. Hartman
Wallingford	C. E. Kirkwood
Walnutport	David L. Branning
York	John H. Riggall
Zionsville	E. W. Bean

Donald R. Knauer, Robert A. Minnig and D. Thomas Phillips have accepted ministries in the Department of Church Extension.

William H. Duane has resigned as a Probationer.

A.L.Seifert at his request is referred to the Ministerial Relations Committee.

The Committee recommends that for the year beginning October 1, 1972 no change be made in the minimum salary of \$5,400.00 as it appears on page B of the 1970 Yearbook.

(John H.Riggall, Chairman, Byron C.Cassel, Secretary; Clayton Brosius, Robert Breitegam, John M.Stengele, Ronald N.Ensminger, Leon H.Naudasher, Harold E.Snyder, John L.Deily, Robert W. Truett, Sterling E.Baer, Gerald Hershey, Edward A.Stortz, T. Lamarn Manney, Howard E.Schaeffer, Ralph D.Cole, Clifford L. Kauffman, N. W. Granda, Richard H. Fisher, Stanley Kalbach, John M. Slater, William R. Hunsberger, Harold L. Snyder, Jr., Franklin Mead, Frank L. Herb, Jr., Ernest Bauer, George W. Harper, Arthur Mack, James G. Koch, Richard S. Achey, Paul H. Cressman, Bright N. Heist, Horace A. Kauffman, Willard E. Cassel, Keith E. Plows, Arthur W. Deppe, Edward J. Dietzman, James E. Weidner, Leonard F. Kessler, Clyde W. Snyder, Clayton Dietz, Dale Kemmerer, Norman L. Reed, Committee).

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Directions for completing Pastor's Statistical Schedule (PS-3):

FORM A

In compiling the membership of a local congregation, be sure you are beginning with the membership shown in the previous Year Book.

Show additions and losses in the membership and strike a net increase or decrease. You cannot have both. Be sure your membership shown on your schedule agrees with the membership list in the local church. These figures should be shown in the Official Board report of the membership in the minutes of the Annual Congregational meeting.

FORM B

Total average attendance in the Sunday School is an average for the year.

The present Valuation of Church Properties is established by resolution of the Congregational meeting.

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

FOREIGN MISSIONS & CHURCH EXTENSION - Be sure that these figures agree with the amounts your treasurer has forwarded to the different secretaries before August 31st.

FORM D

MINISTER'S SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS - This shall include: Health and Welfare Insurance for the Pastor's family, Social Security paid to you by the church, automobile allowance, etc.

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 MISSIONS - This shall include: Missionary Conference, Evangelistic Campaigns, Special Speakers, Rescue Missions, etc.

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.

THE STATISTICAL COMMITTEE

CHURCH	PASTOR	Ordained Ministers	Probationers	Elders	Deacons	Pastoral Visits	Baptized	Children Dedicated	Weddings	Funerals
Allentown, (Bethel)	James G. Koch	5	-	13	-	-	6	-	1	6
Allentown, (C. Crest)		-	-	9	3	-	3	3	1	-
Allentown, (Salem)	Willard E. Cassel	2	-	6	-	237	-	-	-	2
Belvidere, N. J.	John H. Herb	1	-	6	-	300	4	-	3	3
Bethlehem	Frank L. Herb, Jr.	1	-	14	-	650	3	5	3	10
Blandon	Donald T. Kirkwood	2	-	6	-	327	-	1	-	2
Catasauqua	Brian H. Butler	1	-	5	-	240	4	-	-	-
Coopersburg	LeRoy S. Heller	1	-	10	-	653	5	5	7	5
Denville, N. J.		-	1	5	2	360	4	1	1	-
Easton	LeRoy C. Wilcox	-	-	5	-	470	7	-	1	3
Emmaus	Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.	1	-	12	-	410	7	3	6	5
Ephrata	Robert W. Smock	2	-	-	-	400	5	2	4	-
Finesville, N. J.	Harold C. Weaber	1	-	4	-	469	-	-	-	1
Fleetwood	Austin G. Shelly	1	-	-	-	250	-	4	2	3
Graterford	Keith E. Plows	1	-	11	-	551	7	3	2	2
Harleysville	David E. Thomann	1	-	10	-	360	14	3	-	-
Harrisburg	R. C. Reichenbach	3	-	11	-	346	12	5	1	3
Hatfield	Ronald C. Mahurin	1	-	-	-	370	8	3	1	-
Lancaster	John Dunn	1	-	9	-	608	6	1	1	5
Lebanon	Bruce A. Ellingson	1	-	9	-	353	3	2	1	2
Lehighton	Arthur H. Frable	-	1	-	-	226	-	1	2	2
Maple Glen		-	1	5	-	-	4	-	-	-
Mt. Carmel	Carl K. Spackman	-	1	8	-	360	10	2	2	1
Nazareth	James A. Beil	2	-	9	-	387	19	1	-	3
Paradise	William A. Heffner	1	-	-	-	250	3	-	3	-
Phila. (Calvary)	Keith Yoder	-	1	6	-	142	-	1	-	3
Phila. (Emmanuel)	Paul G. Zimmerman	-	2	6	-	372	2	1	-	2
Quakertown	Bert N. Brosius	2	-	11	-	365	-	1	1	2
Reading	Jansen E. Hartman	1	-	11	-	1004	14	7	2	8
Royersford	Robert F. Johnson	1	-	-	-	479	9	3	1	3
Scranton		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shamokin	W. W. Hartman	1	-	8	-	310	2	5	3	3
Sinking Spring	Terris Byrd	-	1	-	-	410	8	4	-	2
Spring City	George E. Herb	1	-	-	-	239	-	1	-	1
Staten Island, N. Y.	Daniel G. Ziegler	2	1	6	-	407	6	2	1	1
Stroudsburg	A. L. Seifert	3	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	1
Sunbury	William W. Mull	1	-	12	-	354	11	2	4	6
Terre Hill	Leon K. Overpeck	1	-	8	-	309	7	2	6	2
Wallingford	C. E. Kirkwood	1	-	-	-	570	6	8	2	6
Walnutport	David J. Branning	1	-	5	-	325	-	2	2	5
York	John H. Riggall	1	-	12	-	550	6	4	5	7
Zionsville	E. W. Bean	1	-	-	-	218	-	3	-	-
Totals		47	10	260	5	14631	205	91	69	110
Church Extension Missions:										
Franklin Township, N.J.	Donald R. Knauer					397	-	-	2	-
Freehold, N. J.	Robert Minnig					513	15	-	-	-
Neptune, N. J.	D. Thomas Phillips					246	-	-	-	-
Totals						1156	15	-	2	-
Grand Totals		47	10	260	5	15787	220	91	71	110

CHURCH	Received into Church Fellowship	Received by Trans. from B.F.C.	Received by Trans. from Other Church	Total increase	Died	Withdrawn	Dropped	Trans. to B.F.C. Churches	Trans. to Other Churches	Total Decrease	Net Increase	Net Decrease	Total Membership
Allentown (Bethel)	6	5	-	11	4	5	2	8	19	-	-	8	259
Allentown (C. Crest)	9	1	-	10	-	37	-	2	39	-	-	29	93
Allentown (Salem)	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	4	-	-	4	71
Belvidere, N. J.	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	-	-	3	25
Bethlehem	2	3	2	7	7	-	1	5	14	-	-	7	268
Blandon	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	7	12	-	-	12	86
Catasauqua	5	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	41
Coopersburg	10	-	-	10	4	-	2	-	4	10	-	-	151
Denville, N. J.	5	2	3	10	-	-	2	2	6	4	-	-	52
Easton	5	3	1	9	2	-	-	2	1	5	4	-	61
Emmaus	7	1	-	8	3	-	19	1	23	-	15	-	188
Ephrata	11	-	-	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	71
Finseville, N. J.	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	25
Fleetwood	8	10	-	18	-	3	-	4	8	10	-	-	156
Graterford	14	-	-	14	1	-	1	1	3	11	-	-	103
Harleysville	29	5	-	34	-	-	1	-	2	3	31	-	145
Harrisburg	3	-	-	3	-	-	8	-	8	-	-	5	128
Hatfield	5	3	-	8	-	-	5	1	7	1	-	-	157
Lancaster	7	-	-	7	1	-	-	-	1	6	-	-	111
Lebanon	3	-	-	3	1	-	1	-	2	1	-	-	57
Lehighton	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	54
Maple Glen	3	-	-	3	1	6	4	2	3	16	-	13	62
Mt. Carmel	9	-	2	11	1	-	-	2	3	8	-	-	101
Nazareth	13	-	-	13	2	-	3	-	5	8	-	-	119
Paradise	4	-	-	4	-	2	1	-	3	1	-	-	57
Phila. (Calvary)	-	-	2	2	1	-	3	2	6	-	-	4	72
Phila. (Emmanuel)	2	-	2	4	1	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	37
Quakertown	1	2	1	4	2	4	4	5	16	-	12	-	134
Reading	10	2	-	12	1	2	-	4	7	5	-	-	300
Royersford	10	-	-	10	1	-	4	-	5	5	-	-	129
Scranton	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	3	-	54
Shamokin	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	128
Sinking Spring	7	1	-	8	-	-	-	-	5	3	-	-	66
Spring City	2	4	-	6	1	-	-	2	3	3	-	-	99
Staten Island, N. Y.	6	4	-	10	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	50
Stroudsburg	-	10	-	10	-	-	-	1	1	9	-	-	41
Sunbury	9	2	8	19	3	-	-	2	9	14	5	-	234
Terre Hill	4	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	77
Wallingford	12	-	-	12	2	-	1	-	5	7	-	-	226
Walnutport	8	-	-	8	2	-	-	-	2	6	-	-	54
York	3	-	-	3	2	-	8	-	11	-	-	8	180
Zionsville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	48
Totals	234	58	21	313	46	66	74	55	36	277	163	127	4570

CHURCH	Total enrollment	Total Average Attendance	Cradle Roll Members	Home Dept. Members	Churches	Parsonages	Present Valuation Church Properties	Total Income	Total Offerings
Allentown (Bethel)	409	290	35	-	1	1	295,000.	90,976.	88,980.
Allentown (C. Crest)	181	132	3	-	1	1	250,000.	34,162.	34,162.
Allentown (Salem)	104	81	-	-	1	1	60,000.	14,403.	14,403.
Belvidere, N. J.	83	62	-	1	1	1	90,000.	14,908.	12,364
Bethlehem	317	216	7	-	1	1	400,000.	71,863.	70,817.
Blandon	173	120	-	-	1	1	55,000.	18,936.	18,598.
Catasauqua	60	50	-	-	2	1	35,000.	13,282.	13,282
Coopersburg	157	125	-	-	2	1	207,000.	39,244.	39,244.
Denville, N. J.	119	82	-	-	1	1	140,000.	19,317.	19,471.
Easton	125	83	-	-	1	1	120,000.	13,279.	13,279.
Emmaus	285	253	14	8	1	1	231,000.	59,550.	56,739.
Ephrata	188	129	30	26	1	1	115,000.	24,410.	24,410.
Finesville, N. J.	69	50	-	-	1	1	30,000.	12,666.	6,747.
Fleetwood	227	184	3	1	1	1	200,000.	37,668.	37,668.
Graterford	266	208	-	-	1	2	135,000.	38,672.	38,250.
Harleysville	199	153	6	-	1	1	150,000.	39,018.	39,018.
Harrisburg	221	161	12	-	1	1	120,000.	30,597.	30,597.
Hatfield	256	202	6	68	1	1	150,000.	54,117.	51,998.
Lancaster	241	180	9	6	2	1	250,000.	37,868.	37,868.
Lebanon	138	101	15	-	1	-	157,000.	29,468.	28,980.
Lehighton	128	88	11	7	1	1	48,000.	14,827.	14,827.
Maple Glen	95	76	-	-	1	1	190,000.	28,615.	26,785.
Mt. Carmel	108	74	5	-	1	1	25,000.	22,870.	22,596.
Nazareth	184	159	18	-	1	1	115,000.	32,409.	32,271.
Paradise	148	122	-	-	1	1	80,000.	22,831.	21,230.
Phila. (Calvary)	123	97	2	-	1	1	110,000.	21,604.	21,571.
Phila. (Emmanuel)	104	75	4	-	1	1	70,000.	15,368.	15,255.
Quakertown	160	135	9	-	1	1	100,000.	30,321.	28,835.
Reading	441	312	20	11	1	1	300,000.	58,499.	58,499.
Royersford	241	185	4	-	1	1	190,000.	55,476.	52,739.
Scranton	58	53	-	-	1	1	100,000.	9,016.	9,016.
Shamokin	176	151	9	-	1	1	52,000.	24,925.	24,842.
Sinking Spring	145	110	7	-	1	1	88,000.	28,815.	24,715.
Spring City	165	122	5	-	1	1	200,000.	32,606.	32,330.
Staten Island, N. Y.	128	88	-	-	1	1	68,000.	21,744.	19,283.
Stroudsburg	85	58	-	4	1	1	35,000.	11,367.	9,509.
Sunbury	312	235	18	19	1	1	100,000.	35,302.	35,302.
Terre Hill	164	137	11	28	1	1	67,200.	28,806.	28,806.
Wallingford	406	297	25	-	1	2	325,000.	80,848.	80,848.
Walnutport	97	62	-	1	1	1	29,000.	16,397.	14,897.
York	300	215	11	-	1	1	100,000.	40,831.	40,831.
Zionsville	72	60	3	-	1	1	33,000.	12,750.	12,750.
Totals	7658	5773	302	180	45	43	5,615,200.	1,340,631.	1,304,612.
Church Extension Mission - Daniel G. Ziegler, Director									
Franklin Township, N. J.	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,308.	-	2,468.
Freehold, N. J.	-	30	-	-	-	1	25,000.	6,575.	2,108.
Neptune, N. J.	20	12	-	-	-	-	-	5,550.	779.
Totals	20	42	-	-	-	1	25,000.	27,433.	5,355.
1218 E. Rosemont, Beth							21,808.		
424 Ridge, Emmaus							16,000.		
Home for Aging							256,500.		
Victory Valley							67,489.		
Pinebrook							589,451.		
Grand Totals	7678	5815	302		45	44	6,591,448.	1,368,064.	1,309,967.

CHURCH	Conference Adminis- trative Budget	Foreign Missions	Church Extension	Home for the Aging	Pinebrook Jr. College	Board of Christian Education	Victory Valley
Allentown, (Bethel)	900.	22,000.	7,260.	530.	2,950.	110.	500.
Allentown, (C. Crest)	600.	4,625.	100.	-	100.	-	50.
Allentown, (Salem)	300.	800.	-	25.	150.	5.	35.
Belvidere, N. J.	-	650.	-	10.	170.	10.	5.
Bethlehem	1,950.	15,300.	3,500.	400.	2,000.	15.	350.
Blandon	500.	1,000.	200.	100.	200.	-	50.
Catasauqua	225.	300.	-	25.	200.	30.	25.
Coopersburg	825.	3,600.	600.	50.	550.	20.	150.
Denville, N. J.	375.	500.	380.	55.	425.	-	50.
Easton	-	500.	-	40.	-	5.	25.
Emmaus	1,200.	8,000.	2,125.	500.	2,300.	-	500.
Ephrata	100.	2,000.	200.	50.	100.	5.	20.
Finesville, N. J.	-	25.	-	-	-	-	-
Fleetwood	876.	3,050.	2,200.	100.	1,000.	35.	100.
Graterford	763.	3,254.	750.	50.	1,200.	25.	100.
Harleysville	400.	4,000.	400.	85.	1,170.	15.	100.
Harrisburg	675.	3,800.	1,389.	100.	300.	50.	60.
Hatfield	1,638.	9,500.	4,500.	500.	3,000.	155.	500.
Lancaster	300.	2,000.	1,000.	25.	1,000.	25.	25.
Lebanon	440.	850.	300.	30.	380.	20.	60.
Lehighton	392.	200.	200.	25.	50.	15.	25.
Maple Glen	905.	150.	150.	20.	475.	15.	100.
Mt. Carmel	600.	6,000.	1,000.	250.	900.	5.	100.
Nazareth	540.	2,480.	1,126.	900.	575.	20.	25.
Paradise	370.	700.	100.	75.	50.	-	25.
Phila. (Calvary)	575.	2,000.	700.	50.	800.	25.	100.
Phila. (Emmanuel)	376.	1,800.	100.	20.	400.	20.	30.
Quakertown	800.	2,500.	2,600.	200.	1,600.	30.	200.
Reading	1,920.	5,000.	3,300.	300.	2,000.	260.	500.
Royersford	650.	3,500.	1,000.	50.	1,110.	-	250.
Scranton	225.	527.	301.	35.	61.	-	-
Shamokin	480.	3,601.	1,000.	45.	290.	43.	63.
Sinking Spring	-	1,793.	-	-	-	-	-
Spring City	600.	3,000.	710.	60.	1,025.	20.	110.
Staten Island, N. Y.	300.	692.	330.	78.	295.	20.	20.
Stroudsburg	329.	800.	150.	25.	500.	30.	100.
Sunbury	1,200.	3,089.	1,421.	55.	908.	35.	25.
Terre Hill	700.	3,500.	750.	100.	1,125.	25.	100.
Wallingford	1,200.	8,500.	3,000.	50.	2,500.	50.	125.
Walnutport	-	325.	-	-	175.	10.	-
York	850.	3,500.	1,125.	50.	500.	50.	50.
Zionsville	225.	750.	25.	25.	60.	25.	50.
Totals	25,304.	140,161.	43,992.	5,088.	32,594.	1,223.	4,703.

CHURCH	Minister's Salary	Minister's Supple. Benefits	Administrative Assistant's Salary	Christian Education	Debt Service
Allentown, (Bethel)	7,500.	300.	-	6,688.	1,996.
Allentown, (C. Crest)	1,180.	53.	630.	2,185.	13,530.
Allentown, (Salem)	5,025.	511.	-	766.	2,700.
Belvidere, N. J.	4,800.	333.	-	518.	3,590.
Bethlehem	6,600.	1,604.	2,012.	1,565.	16,962.
Blandon	5,700.	1,350.	-	2,260.	-
Catasauqua	5,330.	343.	-	242.	-
Coopersburg	5,800.	1,100.	325.	2,266.	12,054.
Denville, N. J.	4,800.	543.	-	1,096.	4,737.
Easton	5,000.	106.	-	1,869.	842.
Emmaus	7,000.	1,965.	1,117.	6,888.	10,000.
Ephrata	6,050.	1,628.	600.	2,483.	3,459.
Finesville, N. J.	5,800.	-	-	408.	757.
Fleetwood	6,616	328.	-	2,830.	8,737.
Graterford	5,833	1,533.	270.	3,240.	7,470.
Harleysville	5,200	1,400.	-	2,266.	14,579.
Harrisburg	5,200	640.	-	1,935.	5,358.
Hatfield	6,000	1,590.	-	5,290.	3,837.
Lancaster	6,360	1,231.	-	1,460.	14,068.
Lebanon	5,250.	648.	8.	1,208.	2,209.
Leighton	5,000.	364.	-	1,042.	1,146.
Maple Glen	5,419.	275.	-	838.	8,988.
Mt. Carmel	5,460.	338.	-	1,132.	-
Nazareth	6,225.	434.	-	3,495.	5,752.
Paradise	5,180.	1,280.	-	1,226.	2,083.
Phila., (Calvary)	4,845.	650.	-	1,067.	2,398.
Phila., (Emmanuel)	4,800.	588.	-	873.	890.
Quakertown	5,462.	1,572.	-	1,964.	-
Reading	6,700.	1,500.	-	3,932.	-
Royersford	7,020.	1,550.	-	1,990.	22,948.
Scranton	2,175.	53.	-	628.	1,427.
Shamokin	5,106.	-	-	6,953.	-
Sinking Spring	4,650	433.	-	-	11,409.
Spring City	5,460.	1,656.	-	1,721.	8,633.
Staten Island, N. Y.	5,005.	210.	-	1,148.	2,712.
Stroudsburg	3,750.	-	-	532.	-
Sunbury	6,664.	1,538.	1,300.	8,295.	2,000.
Terre Hill	5,775.	1,343.	-	2,295.	-
Wallingford	8,500.	1,500.	5,800.	5,976.	15,072.
Walnutport	5,100.	700.	-	1,132.	3,711.
York	5,900.	1,800.	85.	3,150.	5,373.
Zionsville	5,000.	60.	-	910.	1,546.
Totals	230,240.	35,053.	12,147.	97,762.	222,973.
Church Extension Missions:					
Franklin Township, N. J.	-	1,285.	-	242.	-
Freehold, N. J.	-	310.	-	251.	1,265.
Neptune, N. J.	-	-	-	212.	-
Totals	-	1,595.	-	705.	1,265.
Grand Totals	230,240.	36,648.	12,147.	98,467.	224,238.

CHURCH	Local Benevolences	Local Missions	Women's Missionary Society	Annual Conference Delegate	General Disbursements	Total Disbursements
Allentown, (Bethel)	617.	1,765.	1,329.	200.	24,955.	79,603.
Allentown, (C. Crest)	-	1,730.	165.	100.	7,781.	32,829.
Allentown, (Salem)	-	235.	57.	120.	3,963.	14,692.
Belvidere, N. J.	65.	1,118.	49.	100.	3,632.	15,050.
Bethlehem	60.	2,205.	1,543.	125.	13,206.	69,397.
Blandon	90.	-	-	125.	6,578.	18,153.
Catasauqua	-	366.	113.	125.	4,837.	12,161.
Coopersburg	114.	336.	39.	175.	9,850.	37,854.
Denville, N. J.	349.	1,125.	259.	100.	6,502.	21,296.
Easton	-	-	3.	90.	4,462.	12,942.
Emmaus	182.	-	1,000.	225.	16,185.	59,187.
Ephrata	-	375.	195.	120.	6,917.	24,302.
Finesville, N. J.	295.	164.	35.	-	2,445.	9,929.
Fleetwood	81.	726.	129.	100.	7,880.	34,788.
Graterford	147.	537.	289.	125.	10,003.	35,589.
Harleysville	-	1,225.	390.	125.	5,979.	37,334.
Harrisburg	50.	706.	459.	140.	6,905.	27,767.
Hatfield	1,610.	2,632.	1,164.	150.	6,456.	48,522.
Lancaster	100.	818.	343.	125.	7,865.	36,745.
Lebanon	191.	540.	40.	90.	5,742.	18,006.
Lehighton	15.	155.	184.	75.	4,333.	13,221.
Maple Glen	1,570.	569.	370.	75.	8,072.	27,991.
Mt. Carmel	800.	698.	278.	174.	5,135.	22,870.
Nazareth	242.	1,300.	306.	100.	10,709.	34,229.
Paradise	100.	-	100.	125.	6,663.	18,077.
Phila., (Calvary)	71.	326.	121.	70.	5,939.	19,737.
Phila., (Emmanuel)	134.	718.	245.	135.	2,962.	14,091.
Quakertown	17.	1,643.	300.	150.	4,970.	24,008.
Reading	120.	-	600.	200.	23,142.	49,474.
Royersford	-	6,494.	273.	150.	4,753.	51,738.
Scranton	-	235.	191.	50.	3,320.	9,228.
Shamokin	47.	767.	193.	149.	6,889.	25,626.
Sinking Spring	-	-	324.	100.	12,071.	30,780.
Spring City	-	1,439.	149.	125.	7,180.	31,888.
Staten Island, N. Y.	248.	453.	98.	100.	9,396.	21,105.
Stroudsburg	106.	180.	122.	100.	8,516.	15,240.
Sunbury	-	2,174.	524.	100.	3,954.	33,282.
Terre Hill	-	200.	128.	150.	17,210.	33,401.
Wallingford	330.	3,500.	287.	150.	24,308.	80,848.
Walnutport	108.	257.	283.	125.	2,855.	14,781.
York	100.	2,640.	400.	130.	7,308.	33,011.
Zionsville	-	-	195.	125.	2,736.	11,732.
Totals	7,959.	40,351.	13,272.	5,118.	344,564.	1,262,504.
Franklin Township, N. J.	-	-	-	-	8,001.	9,528.
Freehold, N. J.	-	-	-	-	-	1,826.
Neptune, N. J.	-	29.	-	-	4,601.	4,842.
Totals	-	29.	-	-	12,602.	16,196.
Grand Totals	7,959.	40,380.	13,272.	5,118.	357,166.	1,278,700.

1. 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	18092
Beil, James A.	1959	1962	1967	215-759-1712	18064
Branning, David L.	1967	1970	1966	215-767-4852	18088
Brosius, Bert N.	1958	1961	1970	215-536-6096	18951
+Cassel, Carl C.	1956	1959	1970	717-421-2743	18360
Cassel, Willard E.	1943	1946	1971	201-627-6706	07834
Church			201-625-1880		
Dunn, John	1941	1950	1967	717-393-7677	17603
Ellingson, Bruce A.	1963	1966	1966	717-272-3945	17042
Church			717-273-4802		
Frable, Arthur H.	1969	1971	1971	215-926-4593	19510
Fritz, Harvey J, Jr.	1959	1962	1966	215-967-2555	18049
Church			215-965-2682		
Hartman, Jansen E.	1942	1946	1970	215-372-3330	19604
Church			215-375-2333		
Hartman, W. W.	1930	1937	1971	215-445-4401	17581
Heffner, William A.	1943	1951	1968	717-687-7577	17562
Heller, LeRoy S.	1955	1958	1962	215-282-3580	18036
Church			215-282-3161		
Herb, Frank L. Jr.	1954	1957	1964	215-866-2703	18018
Church			215-868-5501		
Herb, George E.	1957	1960	1970	215-948-3791	19475
Church			215-948-9448		
Herb, John H.	1962	1966	1964	201-475-2250	07823
Johnson, Robert F.	1958	1961	1963	215-948-3014	19468
Church			215-948-9764		

Kirkwood, C. E.	1937	1940	1966	215-876-8449	723 S. Providence Rd. Wallingford, Pa. 19086
Knauer, Donald R.	1962	1965	1970	201-846-8689	140 Drake Rd. Somerset, N. J. 08873
Koch, James G.	1950	1953	1970	215-432-0664	529 N. Eighth St., Allentown, Pa. 18102
Church				215-435-2331	
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	1971	215-797-7271	723 Filmore St., Allentown, Pa. 18103
Plows, Keith E.	1966	1968	1970	215-489-2281	111 Bridge St., Graterford, Pa. 19426
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.	1950	1953	1970	717-424-1212	Box 1, Stroudsburg, Pa. 18360
Shelly, Austin G.	1956	1961	1970	215-944-7715	103 Pine St., Fleetwood, Pa. 19522
Church				215-944-7080	
Smock, Robert W.	1950	1953	1966	717-733-2526	111 E. Chestnut St., Ephrata, Pa. 17522
Spackman, Carl K.	1969	1971	1971	215-886-4862	418 Roslyn Ave., Glenside, Pa. 19038
Church				215-646-1220	
Thomann, David E.	1943	1946	1965	215-256-8253	140 Harleysville Pk. Harleysville, Pa. 19438
*Watkins, David E.	1962	1965	1970	717-424-1214	Box 481 R. D. #3-E. Stroudsburg, Pa. 18301
Weaver, Harold C.	1963	1967	1969	201-993-7308	Main Rd. Finesville, Phillipsburg, Pa. 19426
Church				201-993-7678	R. D. #1, N. J. 08865
@Ziegler, Daniel G.	1960	1963	1964	212-442-2782	243 Taylor St., Staten Island, N. Y. 10310
Zimmerman, Paul G.	1966	1971	1971	717-339-4693	132 W. 4th St., Mt. Carmel, Pa. 17851

+Academic Dean, Pinebrook Junior College
 #Director, Pinebrook Bible Conference
 *President, Pinebrook Junior College
 @Director of Church Extension

2. ORDAINED MISSIONARIES

Name	Licensed	Assigned Ordained	Phone	Address	Zip Code
Bigley, James	1962	1966			
Buck, Leonard	1958	1970			
Butler, Brian H.	1968	1957			
Gehman, Richard J.	1964	1971			
Gordon, Robert	1960	1960			
Harley J. Barclay	1956	1960			
Hertzog, Roy	1959	1968			
Moyer, Edward					
Stengele, Laird F.		1952			

3. ORDAINED MINISTERS WORKING WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Cassel, Alva C.	1958	1962		Athens, Maine	04912
Dotts, Raymond R.	1960	1965	401-831-6998	309 Martin Lane, Lookout Mt. Tenn.	37350
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		3932 W. Bethany Home Rd. Phoenix, Arizona	85019
Yarrington, Harold D.	1942	1952		Connecticut Valley Hospital, Box 351, Middletown, Conn.	06457

4. ORDAINED MINISTERS IN RETIREMENT

Effective					
1924	1928	1969	215-253-0253	1334 Northampton St., Easton, Pa.	18042
1921	1925	1967	215-435-1732	2340 Union St. Allentown, Pa.	18104
1917	1920	1960	717-564-2568	6103 Ann St., Harrisburg, Pa.	17111
1922	1925	1966	215-759-4827	7 S. New St., (Rear) Nazareth, Pa.	18064
1937	1940	1955	813-636-2758	204 S. Raymond Ave., R. D. #1, Frost- proof, Florida	33843
1918	1923	1961	215-395-5691	Orefield, Pa.	18069
1916	1950	1967	717-733-7800	121 Park Ave., Ephrata, Pa.	17522

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DELEGATES TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE - 1971

Allentown (Bethel)	John L. Deily, 514 N. St. Lucas St., Allentown, Pa. 18104	215-432-0403
Allentown (Salem)	Dale L. Kemmerer, 728 S. Carldon Street, Allentown, Pa. 18103	215-797-8921
Allentown (C. Crest)	Howard E. Schaeffer, 712 S. Cedar Crest Ave., Allentown, Pa. 18103	215-432-7410
Bethlehem	Paul H. Cressman, 2525 Jacksonville Rd. Bethlehem, Pa. 18017	215-866-6626
Belvidere, N. J.	Philip T. Link, 97 Lincoln Ave., Oxford N. J., 07863	201-453-2925
Blandon	Stanley Kalbach, 612 Colombia Ave. Temple Pa., 19560	215-929-3534
Catasauqua	A.W. Deppe, 323 E. 9th St., Northampton, Pa. 18067	215-262-4507
Coopersburg	Arthur Mack, 336 N. Main St., Coopersburg, Pa., 18036	215-282-3823
Denville, N. J.	George Harper, 15 Rainbow Lake, Denville, N. J. 07834	201-627-8430
Easton	Leonard F. Kessler, 2206 Forrest St., Easton Pa., 18042	215-253-6318
Emmaus	Clifford L. Kauffman, 16 E. Minor St., Emmaus, Pa. 18049	215-965-4133
Ephrata	Robert W. Gehret, R. D. #3, Ephrata, Pa. 17522	717-733-3883
Finesville, N. J.	H. Walter Stout, Jr., R. D. #4, Easton, Pa. 18042	252-522-6080
Fleetwood	Norman L. Reed, 124 E. Main St., Fleetwood, Pa. 19522	215-944-7029
Graterford	Edward A. Stortz, 104 W. 3rd St., Collegeville, Pa. 19426	215-489-2062
Harleysville	Clayton Dietz, Box 420 Becks Rd. Souderton, Pa., 18964	215-723-4118
Harrisburg	Richard Achey, 3895 N. 6th St., Harrisburg, Pa., 17110	717-238-1962
Hatfield	Clyde W. Snyder, 2129 E. Orvilla Rd. Hatfield, Pa., 19440	215-855-1412
Lancaster	Horace A. Kauffman, 25 E. Lemon St., Lititz, Pa., 17543	717-626-8356
Lehighton	Ernest Bauer, 201 Allen St., Lehighton, Pa. 18235	215-377-3557
Lebanon	Ronald Ensminger, 860 Kimmerlings Rd. Lebanon, Pa. 17042	717-272-9877
Maple Glen	Byron C. Cassel, 747 Hillcrest Ave., Glen-side, Pa. 19038	215-884-6622
Mt. Carmel	Harold L. Snyder, Jr., R. D. #3, Box, 198, Catawissa, Pa. 17820	717-799-5446
Nazareth	Norman W. Granda, North & Whitefield Nazareth, Pa. 18064	215-759-4910
Paradise	E. Gerald Hershey, R. D. #2, Gap, Pa.	717-442-4589

Phila. (Calvary)	Leon H. Naudasher, 408 W. Henry St., Palmyra, N. J. 08065 609-829-7507
Phila. (Emmanuel)	Edward J. Dietzman, 318 Durfor St., Phila. Pa. 19148 215-h07-2622
Quakertown	John M. Stengele, 341 S. 4th St., Perkasio, Pa., 18944 215-257-9070
Reading	Robert Breitegam, Walnut Rd. R.D. #3 Reading, Pa. 19606 215-689-5257
Royersford	William R. Hunsberger, 417 N. 7th Ave. Royersford, Pa. 19468 215-948-4669
Scranton	Franklin Mead, 931 Clay Ave., Rear, Scranton, Pa. 18510 717-347-9079
Shamokin	T. Lamarn Manney, 223 S. Market St. Shamokin, Pa. 17872 717-648-3298
Sinking Spring	Richard Fisher, 307 Old Fritztown Rd. Sinking Spring, Pa. 19608 215-678-7537
Spring City	James E. Weidner, 217 Washington St., Spring City, Pa. 19475 215-948-3321
Staten Island	Ralph D. Cole, 113 Floyd St., Staten Island, N. Y. 10310 212-448-6071
Stroudsburg	Harold E. Snyder, Box 484, R.D. #3 East Stroudsburg, Pa. 18301 717-421-7009
Sunbury	Clayton Brosius, 855 S. 2nd St., Sunbury, Pa. 17801 717-286-1396
Terre Hill	John M. Slater, 431 Maple St., Terre Hill, Pa., 17581 215-445-5781
Wallingford	Robert W. Truett, 4 Brookwood Pl., Brook- haven, Chester, Pa. 19015 215-876-5252
Walnutport	Burton Deppe, 220 New St., Walnutport, Pa. 18088 215-767-4839
York	Sterling E. Baer, 1903 Bannister St., York, Pa. 17404 717-854-2057
Zionsville	Bright N. Heist, R.D. #1 Zionsville, Pa. 18092 215-965-9779

DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES

<u>Church</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>(Time of Services)</u>		
		<u>S.S.</u>	<u>a.m.</u>	<u>p.m.</u>
Allentown (Bethel) - 528 N. Eighth Street		9:30	10:40	7:00
Allentown (C. Crest) - 801 S. Cedar Crest Blvd.		9:30	10:30	7:00
Allentown (Salem) - 641 Genesee Street		9:00	10:15	7:30
Belvidere - Pequest Road		10:00	11:00	7:30
Bethlehem - 3100 Hecktown Road		9:30-11:15	7:00	
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 & Spruce Streets		9:30	10:45	7:00
Emmaus - 418-20 Elm Street		10:15	9:00	7:30
Ephrata - 101 E. Chestnut Street		9:15	10:30	7:30
Finesville - Main Road		9:30	10:45	7:30
Fleetwood - South Richmond Street		10:30	9:15	7:30
Graterford - Route #29, Graterford		9:30	10:40	7:00
Harleysville - 140 Harleysville Pike		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		9:00	10:15	7:30
Lebanon - Mill Rd., N. Cornwall Twnsp.		9:30	10:45	7:00
Lehighton - Cypress & Fourth Streets		9:30	10:40	7:00
Maple Glen - Welsh Road		9:45	11:00	7:00
Mt. 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	7:15
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	7:00
Wallingford - 723 S. Providence Road		9:30	10:45	7:00
Walnutport - 233 Main Street		9:15	10:15	7:00
York - 6th and Duke Streets (North York)		9:30	10:45	7:00
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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 1972

1. Adjourned Session of Annual Conference

January 22, 1972 at 9:00 a.m. Lebanon Church
January 29, 1972 (snow date)
March 25, 1972, Lancaster Church

2. Sunday School Convention

April 22, 1972, Bethlehem, Pa.

3. Ministerial Convention

To be announced through FELLOWSHIP NEWS

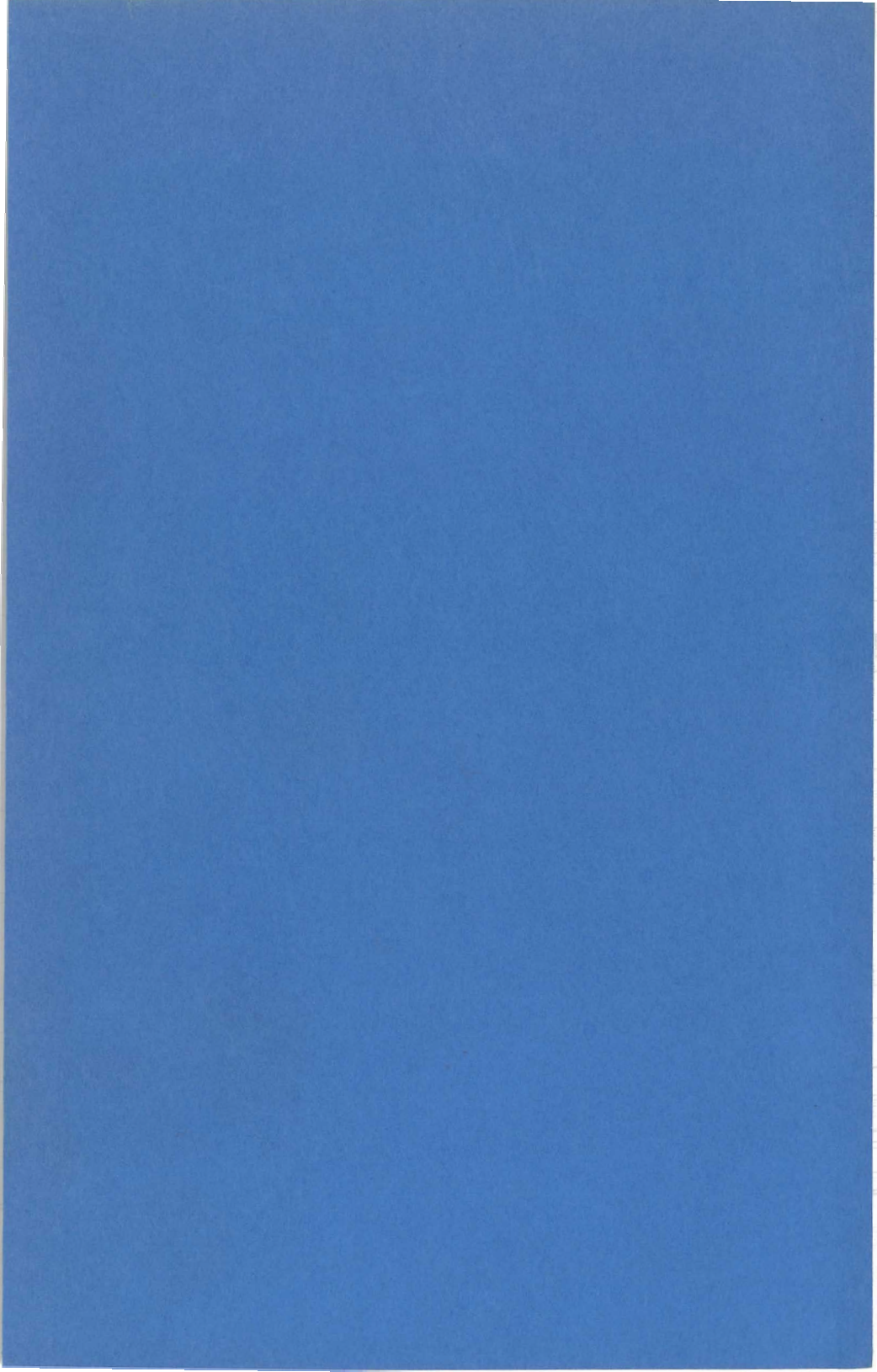
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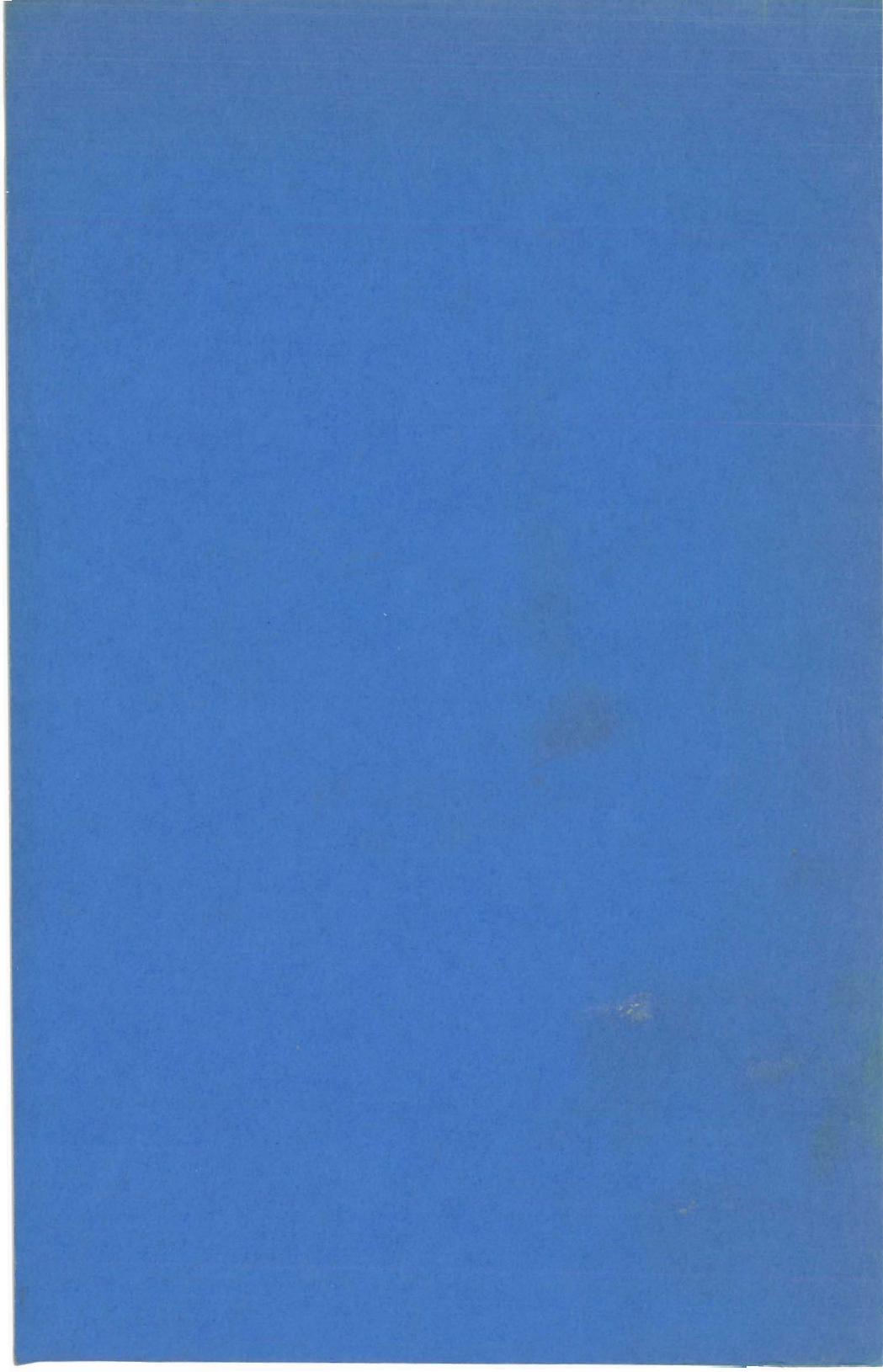
Junior age (8 to 12 years, 2 to 6 grades) boys and girls
1st week - July 8-15
2nd week - July 15-22
3rd week - July 22-29
4th week - July 29-August 5
5th week - August 5-12

Junior High age (12 to 14 years, 7 to 9 grades), co-ed
One week - August 12-19

5. Annual Conference

October 9, 1972 at 10:00 a.m. **Pinebrook**





Sixteenth Meeting
Saturday Morning, January 22, 1972

The devotions were led by the host pastor, Bruce A. Ellingson with a challenge to proclaim the Word of God to a pessimistic world.

The roll was called. The following pastors and delegates were absent: William A. Heffner, W. B. Hottel, Paul E. Baer, W. F. Heffner, E. J. Rutman, P. T. Stengele, N. H. Wolf, Arthur Mack, E. Gerald Hershey, Edward J. Dietzman, Robert W. Truett.

Resolved, that Delbert Seifert be seated as Delegate from Coopersburg.

Resolved, that those absentees who submitted written notices be excused.

Resolved, that Frank L. Herb, Jr., be excused from the afternoon service.

The Report of the Government Committee was considered.

Resolved, that the Government Committee be requested to give consideration to the preparation of an article on the election and installation of Deacons.

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

Resolved, that we adjourn. Adjourned at 12:10 p.m. with prayer by F. B. Hertzog.

Seventeenth Meeting
Saturday Afternoon, January 22, 1972

The session opened at 1:40 p.m. with prayer by David L. Branning.

The following was elected to the Board of Foreign Missions to fill the unexpired term of T. D. Gehret: Paul G. Zimmerman

Consideration of the Report of the Government Committee was continued.

Resolved, that the time of adjournment be 3:30 p.m.

The following was elected to the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board to fill the unexpired term of C. E. Kirkwood who resigned: John H. Riggall.

Resolved, that the time of the opening of the Adjourned session, March 25, 1972 be changed to 10:00 a.m.

The following was elected to the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Home to fill the unexpired term of T. D. Gehret: John Dunn

The following articles were adopted for second reading:

REPORT OF GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

The following is offered to the 88th Annual Conference for adoption at SECOND READING:

THE FORM OF GOVERNMENT

PREAMBLE

The Bible Fellowship Church has adopted this statement of FAITH AND ORDER to declare with clarity and precision its faith and testimony to the glory of God.

The Bible Fellowship Church acknowledges as its sole Head, Jesus Christ, the Son of God and Saviour of men. It submits to the written Word of God and to the presence of the Holy Spirit as its only source of guidance and power in maintaining its redemptive life and work in the world.

The Bible Fellowship Church adopted this FAITH AND ORDER not as a substitute for, but in subordination to, the Word of God. These standards have been received as being based upon the Scriptures; even the elements not drawn directly from the Word have been acknowledged as based upon the general rules and tenor of the Word. These standards seek to provide effective means for the application of the teaching of the Scriptures to the faith, worship, government and discipline of the church. Although these standards have been acknowledged to be of lesser importance than the inspired words of the Scriptures, yet they cannot be neglected without resulting in serious impairment of the life of the Church.

The Bible Fellowship Church acknowledges as brethren all those who share its confession of faith in the person and work of Jesus Christ. It confesses gladly the benefits of the historical and geographical breadth of this fellowship. It acknowledges specifically the benefits derived from similar statements of faith and order devised at many times in the history of the church. It seeks to respond to the responsibilities that these benefits bring by beseeching Almighty God so to indwell it that it may by His grace bring glory to Himself and blessing to men.

ARTICLE I - PRELIMINARY PRINCIPLES

1. That in seeking to be founded upon the Word of God in practice as well as doctrine the Bible Fellowship Church sets forth this form of government as that which is in its judgment most clearly in keeping with the Holy Scriptures.

2. That the formulation of faith and practice must be in submission to the Holy Scriptures because God has not bound the conscience to the doctrines and commandments of men when they exceed or contradict His Word.

3. That every union of particular churches shall have the right, in harmony with the preceding principles, to formulate a faith and order which will seek to provide a basis of fellowship always in submission to the written Word of God.

4. That this form of government shall seek to make of this body a church that operates by written standards, which is not, however, to be understood as being opposed to love or spirit, but rather opposed to disorder and injustices which can so easily pervert right human relationships when authority is personal or when there is no accepted way of deciding issues that inevitably arise among men, however deeply they may be committed to Jesus Christ and to one another.

5. That our Lord, the Head of the Church, for the edification of the body and the evangelization of the world, has appointed officers in the visible church to preach the Gospel, administer the ordinances and exercise discipline.

6. That, though the character, qualifications and authority of church officers are described in the Holy Scriptures, yet the electing of persons to be officer-bearers shall rest with the body.

7. That careful adherence to these principles will contribute to the glory and happiness of the church in that it can own the blessing of our Lord, the Head of the Church universal, and also the approbation of an impartial public.

ARTICLE II - THE CHURCH

Jesus Christ has established His rule upon the earth in the church. The universal church consists of all those persons, in every nation, who make profession of faith in Christ and yield submission to Him and His rule. Because this multitude cannot meet in one place for worship and fellowship, the Scriptures indicate that these believers shall be divided into many particular churches. A particular church consists of professing believers voluntarily associated in submission to the Holy Scriptures, for divine worship, godly living and evangelism. The particular churches seek to demonstrate their participation in the church universal by forming unions with other particular churches which have similar understanding of doctrine and organization.

ARTICLE III - OFFICERS

Having called and assembled His church, our Lord provides for the government of each particular church by conveying authority to officers whom He enables. The continuing officers in the church

are ministers, ruling elders and deacons. The endowed man does not create the office nor does the office clothe the man with power, but the Lord endows the man with gifts and qualifications that enable him to fill the office which God Himself has created.

ARTICLE IV - MINISTERS

The Lord of the Church has given gifts to men called ministers in His church. The office of the ministry is the first in the church in both dignity and usefulness. The one who fills the office is described in the Scriptures by several terms. As he has the oversight of the flock of Christ, he is termed bishop. As he feeds them with spiritual food, he is termed pastor (shepherd). As he serves Christ in the church, he is termed minister. As it is his duty to be an example to the flock in godliness and to govern well in the church of Christ, he is termed elder. As he is sent to declare the will of God to sinners, and to beseech them to be reconciled to God through Christ, he is termed evangelist.

ARTICLE V - ELDERS

In the New Testament church, Christ has provided men called elders whom He has enabled and commissioned to govern with ministers in His church.

Men who bear this office share equally with ministers the authority in and responsibility for the life of the church; but in contrast to ministers, whose primary authority and responsibility is in the Word and doctrine and secondarily in ruling, the primary authority and responsibility of elders is ruling and governing and secondarily in the Word and doctrine.

Those who fill this office should be examples to the flock of their sound faith, their blameless life and conduct and their wisdom and discretion.

Elders, as representatives of the people, are chosen by the membership of the church on the basis of Scriptural qualifications.

ARTICLE VI - DEACONS

The office of deacon is presented in the Scriptures as an office not of ruling, but of service. A deacon should be a man of deep spiritual life, exemplary conduct and sound judgment. (I Tim. 3; Acts 6:1-8). His office is one of sympathetic service to the church and to the distressed, friendless or sick, after the example of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ARTICLE VII - CHURCH GOVERNMENT

By providing spiritually qualified overseers, called elders, Christ enables each particular church to govern itself.

But though the churches are autonomous, they are not independent because they are a part of a fellowship of churches. The basis of this fellowship is mutual conviction of the body of truth set forth in the Scriptures.

The authority of the fellowship is secondary, being derived from the particular churches, and is limited to matters which pertain to the churches in fellowship or to common concerns which churches agree to take care of together.

All authority in the church, whether in particular churches or in the denomination, is moral and spiritual, ministerial and declarative; it is moral and spiritual, negatively, in that the church is unable to use civil force to compel obedience, and positively, in that obedience is incomplete unless it is inward and real as well as outward and apparent; all authority in the church is ministerial and declarative in that the Holy Scriptures are the only rule of faith and conduct and therefore all decisions and laws must be understood as being servants of the Word, announcing that which the body believes the Scriptures to teach with the constant recognition that "councils may err" through frailty inseparable from humanity.

ARTICLE VIII - BOARD OF ELDERS

The Board of Elders shall be composed of the minister and all the active elders of the congregation. The lay elders shall be elected by majority vote of the congregation. They shall be mature men who meet the qualifications of Scripture (I Tim. 3; Titus 1; I Peter 5). The number of elders chosen to serve on the Board shall be established by the congregation by ballot vote upon the recommendation of the Board of Elders.

The minister shall serve as chairman of the Board of Elders; the Board shall elect one of its members to serve as secretary. Two-thirds of the membership of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

The Board of Elders shall have the general oversight of the life and work of the church including the worship, preaching, ordinances, evangelism, visitation, discipline, finances and maintenance of the properties.

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 to 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.

The Board of Elders shall be the channel of communication between the particular church and the fellowship of churches and its organizations. The elders shall nominate from their number and the congregation elect the representative(s) from the particular church to the fellowship-wide level.

ARTICLE IX - ELECTION AND INSTALLING OF ELDERS

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 of office shall be decided by the particular church by congregational vote, but shall not be for less than three years. Where possible, the Board of Elders 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 of office, the requirement for classes does not apply.

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

When a man has been elected to this office and has declared his willingness to accept its responsibilities, he 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 ask 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 rule of faith and conduct?
2. Are you in basic accord with the Articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church?
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 ask the members of the church the following questions:

1. Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive this brother as an elder?
2. Do you promise to yield him all the honor, encourage-

ment and obedience in the Lord, to which his office entitles him?

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

The Board of Elders of each particular church shall decide which men are in basic accord with the Articles of Faith. If any man is not in agreement with the Articles of Faith, this Board shall determine if his disagreement violates basic accord and shall declare if he shall be eligible to serve as an elder. Each elder shall annually declare in writing his basic accord with the Articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church. No man 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.

(Yes 56 - No 20)

Resolved, that the Government Committee be asked to write enabling legislation so that transition can be made from our present Faith and Order to the newly adopted Form of Church Government and present it to the Adjourned Session, March 25, 1972.

Resolved, that we adjourn. Adjourned at 3:20 p.m. with prayer by Richard Gehman.

Eighteenth Meeting Saturday Morning, March 25, 1972

The devotions were conducted by host Pastor John Dunn, speaking from Philippians 3:10.

The roll was called.

The following were absent: William A. Heffner, W. B. Hottel, Donald T. Kirkwood, W. F. Heffner, E. J. Rutman, P. T. Stengele, N. H. Wolf, Dale L. Kemmerer, Richard Achey, Harold L. Snyder, Robert W. Truett, Burton Deppe, Sterling E. Baer.

Resolved, that the written excuses of William A. Heffner, Richard Achey, Robert W. Truett be accepted,

Resolved, that the following Alternate Delegate be seated: Spaulding Sowers, (York).

Resolved, that Arthur Shutt be seated for the day as a representative from Mt. Carmel.

Resolved, that the nine pews of the auditorium be the Conference Bar.

The following were appointed by the Chairman to the Statistical Committee for the 1972 Annual Conference: Willard E. Cassel, John Dunn, LeRoy S. Heller, Paul G. Zimmerman, Donald R. Knauer.

REPORT OF THE PINEBROOK STUDY COMMITTEE (See page 36O).

The report was accepted.

Resolved, that we reaffirm the continuation of the following organizational structure for the operation of Pinebrook:

- (1) Pinebrook Conference Board
- (2) Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College
- (3) Pinebrook Service Board

Resolved, that we approve the following recommendations relative to organizational structure:

To establish a rule providing that all members of the Conference Board and the College Board to be ineligible for voting membership on the Service Board. There shall be seven voting members elected to the Service Board by Annual Conference, and further

To establish a rule providing for appeal by each of the Pinebrook Board to the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church for decision with respect to problems which the three boards, working together, cannot reach a solution.

Resolved, that we approve the following recommendations relative to organizational structure:

To establish a rule limiting the activity of the Conference Board to providing program; promotion; booking of parties operating their own program; and budget; to the extent that the budget relates to the operation of the Conference Board.

To establish a rule limiting the activity of the College Board to faculty; curriculum; library; instruction; and budget, to the extent that the budget relates to the operation of the College.

To establish a rule making Pinebrook Service Board responsible for all business operations (Providing of food service; housing; maintenance; control of improvements to facilities, budget, etc.).

Resolved, that we approve the following recommendations relative to financial structure:

That the Pinebrook Conference Board and the Pinebrook College Board immediately produce a study to show their price lists for services that are adequate to cover the costs of the service produced by the Service Board.

That the Service Board be invested with sole authority for all business transactions (providing of food service; housing; maintenance; control of improvements to the facilities; budget; etc.).

That the Conference Board and the Service Board shall adopt By-laws that will separate the functions and duties of the Conference Director and the Business Manager.

That the Service Board be directed to employ a Business Manager who is qualified to serve all "business" operations of the Conference Board, the College Board, and the Service Board, including the operation and maintenance of the Pinebrook facilities.

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

Resolved, that we adjourn. Adjourned at 12:14 p.m. with prayer by David L. Manney.

Nineteenth Meeting Saturday Afternoon, March 25, 1972

James Bigley, missionary to Kenya, led us in prayer.

Missionaries, James Bigley and David L. Manney, from HCJB, addressed the conference.

The following were elected:

Secretary of Annual Conference: James A. Beil

Nominating Committee: William R. Hunsberger, Norman L. Reed, Robert W. Truett, Willard E. Cassel, John Dunn, George E. Herb, James G. Koch.

Chairman of Annual Conference: Jansen E. Hartman

Vice Chairman of Annual Conference: Frank L. Herb, Jr.

The minutes of the meetings of January 22, 1972 were approved as distributed.

The following was elected to the Board of Church Extension to fill the unexpired term of Robert F. Johnson who resigned: Robert W. Smock.

The following were elected to the Board of Church Extension to fill the unexpired term of John Moran who resigned: Clayton Weber.

The Administrative Budget was approved as follows:

Administrative Budget Approved for 1972-1973
Compared with Budget Approved for 1971-1972

	Approved for 1971-1972	Approved for 1972-1973
1. Publication and Printing	500.00	1,500.00
2. Conference Entertainment	1,600.00	1,600.00
3. Beneficiary Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00
4. Ministers' Retirement Fund	6,000.00	8,500.00
5. Moving Fund	5,000.00	3,000.00
6. Expenses for Boards & Com. while Transacting Con. Business	1,600.00	2,100.00
7. Other Expenses of Board of Directors	350.00	350.00
8. Ministerial Convention Expenses	450.00	450.00
9. Ministers' Assistance Fund	3,000.00	2,000.00
10. Health & Welfare Insurance for Pastors & Dependents	13,024.12	15,593.44*
11. For use by the Ministerial Candidate Committee for Internships	1,000.00	1,000.00
12. Contingencies	500.00	500.00
Totals	34,024.12	37,593.44

*Includes insurance coverage (\$31.54/month) for Pastors of churches contributing to the Budget, except Catasauqua who insures Pastor in another fund.

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH PLEDGES TO THE ADMINISTRATION BUDGET 1972-1973

Allentown Bethel	2,400.00
Allentown Cedar Crest	1,098.48
Allentown Salem	
Belvidere	480.00
Bethlehem	1,580.00
Blandon	800.00
Catasauqua	225.00
Coopersburg	1,200.00
Denville	700.00
Easton	150.00
Emmaus	1,578.48
Ephrata	600.00
Finesville	420.00
Fleetwood	1,152.00
Graterford	960.00
Harleysville	860.00
Harrisburg	885.00
Hatfield	1,740.00

Lancaster	825.00
Lebanon	516.00
Lehighton	785.00
Maple Glen	1,260.00
Mount Carmel	760.00
Nazareth	800.00
Paradise	578.48
Philadelphia Calvary	650.00
Philadelphia Emmanuel	560.00
Quakertown	1,200.00
Reading	2,040.00
Royersford	1,085.00
Scranton	600.00
Shamokin	720.00
Sinking Spring	890.00
Staten Island	720.00
Spring City	890.00
Stroudsburg	680.00
Sunbury	1,560.00
Terre Hill	760.00
Wallingford	1,400.00
Walnutport	150.00
York	1,150.00
Zionsville	375.00
Total	\$ 37,593.44

Resolved, that Robert W.Smock, Robert W.Gehret, Keith Yoder, Leon H. Naudasher, A. L. Seifert be excused at 3:30 p.m.

Resolved, that we approve the following recommendations relative to organizational structure:

That in his conduct, the Business Manager shall consider the Service Board the sole source of policy regulating his business conduct.

That sole authority shall be invested in the Pinebrook Service Board for making all capital improvements, including those which are to be purchased with gifts to be solicited from our fellowship, or from others. Service Board shall obtain concurrence of Board of Directors of Bible Fellowship Church before making any proposed Capital Improvement costing more than \$2,500.00

The Service Board shall not make an expenditure for capital improvement exceeding \$500 unless it has funds on hand with which to pay for the improvement, or unless it has a plan for financing the purchase of it.

Resolved, that the work begun by the Pinebrook Study Committee be continued by the Pinebrook Service Board.

Resolved, we recess. Recessed at 2:55 p.m.

Reconvened at 3:25 p.m.

Whereas, there is a need to present to the Annual Conference the requirement for a sewage treatment at Pinebrook, the estimated cost, the need of financing, therefore be it

Resolved, that we ask the Bible Conference Board and Pinebrook Junior College Board to include in the study required of them today a report on their ability to carry the cost of the sewage treatment plant and to report to this Annual Conference as to their ability to sell the Pinebrook services at the cost involved, report to be submitted at a session to convene at 9:00 a.m. on May 13, 1972 at Allentown, Bethel Church. Conference members shall be responsible to provide their own meals and further,

Resolved, that other matters pertinent to Bible Fellowship Church affairs be reconsidered at this session at the discretion of the body.

REPORT OF GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE BY-LAWS OF PARTICULAR CHURCHES

I. Church Committees

The Board of Elders shall have the general oversight of the life and work of the church including the worship, preaching, ordinances, evangelism, visitation, discipline, finances and the maintenance of the properties.

A. Required Committee

The Board of Elders of every church shall designate a Pastoral Relations Committee composed of three elders. The duties of this Committee shall be: To maintain good relationships between the Pastor and the congregation, to discuss with the Pastor problems that arise and to seek solutions to these problems.

B. Optional Committees

The Board of Elders may organize various committees to assist them in carrying out the work of the Board when such assistance is necessary. The size of the congregation and the nature and amount of work to be done will determine the nature and number of committees appointed.

Should the Board of Elders decide that it needs committees to carry out its work, it may subdivide into committees for particular responsibilities or the chairman of the Board of Elders may appoint committees from among the membership of the congregation, subject to the approval of the Board of Elders,

The chairman of each committee organized shall be an elder of the church. All committees shall be responsible to and subordinate to the Board of Elders and shall report quarterly or as often as the Board deems advisable.

Some suggested committees for consideration are: Membership and Discipline, Ordinances, Building and Maintenance, Missionary, Evangelism, Finance, Christian Education, Benevolence, Music, Visitation.

II. Congregational Meeting.

The congregational meeting of the particular church is composed of any and all members of that congregation meeting in official capacity duly organized according to the ORDER of the Bible Fellowship Church and Article XVIII of the FAITH of the Bible Fellowship Church. Only those members of the particular church conducting the meeting who are present and have attained the age of sixteen years are eligible to vote.

The Board of Elders shall conduct at least one regular congregational meeting each year. Special meetings may be called by action of the Board of Elders. Calls for special meetings shall include a statement of the purpose of the meeting, and no other business shall be conducted. Prayer shall be offered at the beginning and closing of all congregational meetings.

The Pastor shall be chairman of the congregational meeting; the secretary of the Board of Elders shall serve as secretary of the congregational meeting. If either of these officers cannot serve in a specific meeting, another elder shall be chosen by the Board of Elders to bear the responsibility. A quorum shall consist of the chairman, the secretary and all of the eligible voters present.

The congregational meeting(s) shall include the electing of officers, receiving of reports of officers and committees and any other business that may arise. The annual report of the Board of Elders to the congregation shall include a summary of the membership of the congregation and a financial statement. This report shall be the source of the information for the report of the congregation to the Annual Conference.

In an election in which a nominating committee is used, the nominating committee may bring to the meeting nominations of one or more eligible person(s) for each office to be filled. Additional nomination of qualified persons may be made from the floor by any eligible voter.

In an election in which nominations are made exclusively in the congregational meeting, ballots shall be used to nominate the candidates. Two more candidates shall be nominated than the number of officers required. A majority of votes in every

instance shall be necessary for election. After the first ballot has been cast, if there is no election, the name of the candidate receiving the least number of votes shall be dropped. In the event a candidate receives two-thirds of the votes cast in the nominating ballot, he may be declared elected by congregational affirmation.

III. Choosing Leaders other than the Continuing offices of Elders and Deacons

Should the Board of Elders deem it necessary to have offices other than Elders and Deacons, it shall recommend to the Congregation the creation of such offices. If the congregation approves, officers shall be chosen in one of the following ways:

1. Election by Congregation upon:
 - a. Being presented by Nominating Committee
 - b. Being nominated by congregational ballot
2. Appointment by Board of Elders

The following shall be the procedure in case of death, resignation or removal of an officer:

- a. The Board of Elders shall review and act upon the resignation or removal of an officer.
- b. The Board of Elders shall determine the time of a congregational election to fill the unexpired term of the officer due to death, resignation or removal.

Being chosen for one of these offices does not make the office holder a member of the Board of Elders.

Though these leaders may not meet all the Biblical qualifications for the office of Elder, nevertheless their lives shall be in keeping with the Moral Standards of the Church.

IV. Other Organizations in the Particular Church

Officers of organized groups within the church, having a Constitution approved by the Annual Conference, shall be elected according to their by-laws.

1. Sunday School (to be revised) (Mimeo F&O p.4-6)
2. Women's Missionary Society (p.25-26)
3. Youth Fellowship (p.27-29)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We recommend the adoption of the material in this report, I, II, III, IV as final reading.

Whereas, this committee has not completed its work of studying the financial and legal representatives of the church, and

Whereas, each church presently uses trustees,

2. We recommend that each church continue to elect and use trustees with the nominees being limited to those who have been elected as elders, and

We further recommend that this be the procedure used until other provisions are adopted by Annual Conference.

3. We recommend that we delete the material of pages 1-8 of the mimeo FAITH AND ORDER except the Sunday School material which should be revised to fit the new form of Government.

Also we pages 29 and 32 material relative to Pastoral relations Committee is to be deleted.

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

Resolved, we extend the time.

Resolved, we adjourn. Adjourned at 5:04 p.m. with prayer by F. B. Hertzog.

REPORTS

REPORT OF THE PINEBROOK STUDY COMMITTEE

Introduction

Because of considerable concern on the part of a majority of the members of this Conference for the maintenance and development of the program and facilities at Pinebrook, the following action was taken in October 1971:

Resolved, that the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church, the Pinebrook Conference Board, Pinebrook Service Board and the Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College each elect 3 men from their respective membership so as to formulate a committee to study the organizational and financial structure for the management at Pinebrook to report to the Adjourned Session of this Conference with specific recommendations and, further,

Resolved, that the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church shall moderate. (Yearbook 1971, page 25).

The four Boards sent the following representatives:

Conference Board:
Kermit K. Gehman
Norman Granda
A. L. Seifert

College Board:
Harvey J. Fritz, Jr.
David J. Watkins
Carlton Wentz

Service Board:
Robert Breitegam
Ronald Ensminger
George E. Herb

Board of Directors:
Byron C. Cassel
Carl C. Cassel
Robert Truett

The study committee met four times and discussed a wide range of the problems existing at Pinebrook. Each of these twelve brethren participated in the discussions.

This report covers three principal points; viz., Organizational Structure; Financial Structure; and the Unanswered Questions. Each will be dealt with in turn.

Organizational Structure

1. Functions

The broad functions involved in the operation at Pinebrook are:

- (a) A Bible Conference (Program; publicity; promotion; booking of parties operating their own program; budget; etc.)
- (b) A College (Faculty; curriculum; library; instruction; budget; etc.)
- (c) Conduct of a business (Providing of food service; housing; maintenance; control of improvements to the facilities; budget; etc.)

Functions (a) and (b) shown above seem to be reasonable. This report will not relate further to them. The initial consensus of the Annual Conference seems to have been that there should be a Service Board responsible for the furnishing of service to the Conference and to the College. To an important degree, the Pinebrook problem arises in the failure clearly to define the areas of responsibility for those who are to bear the responsibility for these three board functions.

2. Alternative for Meeting Service Needs

Three alternatives are offered for establishing responsibility for service needs:

- (a) To maintain existing organizations; viz.,
 - (1) Pinebrook Conference Board
 - (2) Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College
 - (3) Pinebrook Service Board.

(b) To make the Conference Board and the College Board jointly responsible for the service function.

(c) To make the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church responsible for each of the three board functions.

3. Recommendations as to Organization

We recommend approval of the following:

(a) Continue present organizational structure as described in 2(a) above.

(b) Establish a rule providing that all members of Conference Board and College Board are ineligible for voting membership on Service Board. There shall be seven voting members elected to the Service Board by Annual Conference.

(c) Establish a rule limiting the activity of the Conference Board to providing program; promotion; booking of parties operating their own program; and budget, to the extent that the budget relates to the operation of the Conference Board.

(d) Establish a rule limiting the activity of the College Board to Faculty; curriculum; library; instruction; and budget, to the extent that the budget relates to the operation of the College.

(e) Establish a rule making Pinebrook Service Board responsible for all business operations, as defined in Section 1(c) of this paper.

(f) Establish a rule providing for appeal by each of the Pinebrook Boards to Board of Directors of Bible Fellowship Church for decision with respect to problems which the three boards, working together, cannot reach a solution.

Financial Structure

1. Accounting

Until recently the Service Board established no adequate accounting system. For this there seems to be no explanation other than that the Service Board seemed uncertain of its accounting needs and of how to obtain what it needed.

In December, 1971, its accounts, starting from July 1, 1971, were restated by months. The new system develops monthly bills for the Conference, the College, the Book and Gift Shop, and for the Snack Shop. Accounts Receivable and Payable were established to show, at least on a monthly basis, the financial condition of the Service Board.

Attached to this report is a *financial statement covering the period July, 1971, through February, 1972, made on the new

accounting basis. The first of the reports on this new basis covered July through November, 1971; the second covered December, 1971, and January, 1972; the third covered February, 1972. These reports were turned over to the four users, as follows:

- 1st - about January 14, 1972
- 2nd - about February 18, 1972
- 3rd - about March 17, 1972

This recent development has not provided enough time for any of the users to react to these data in any substantial manner.

We have no answer at this time to the question: "Can the cost of the operation be reduced?" or to the question of how much money should be invested to produce cost reductions.

These financial statements seem to say that substantial losses resulted from the summer program. The account receivable by the Service Board from the Conference Board on August 31, 1971, had increased to \$31,287.36 from \$16,961.37 on June 30, 1971. But at the end of the summer program, the Conference Board had no funds with which to pay its obligation. If the summer program can be made to break even, there might be some prospect of the winter-time operation generating funds for the purchase of improvements. At February 29, 1972, compared with June 30, 1971, the obligations of the four users to the Service Board were as follows:

* Statement will be distributed for February on March 25, 1972.

	<u>6/30/71</u>	<u>2/29/72</u>
Conference	16,961.37	17,011.98
College	9,102.00	15,665.87
Book and Gift Shop	818.96	984.53
Snack Shop	818.96	2,822.16
	<u>27,701.29</u>	<u>36,484.54</u>

(The figures for February 28, 1972 will be supplied on March 25, 1972.)

Also unsolved is the question of whether the Conference Board, or the College Board, can sell these services at a price high enough to cover the costs. If it develops that the selling price cannot be raised enough to cover the costs, we have not yet considered what other alternatives may be available.

2. Recommendations as to Financial Structure

We recommend approval of the following:

(a) Require Pinebrook Conference Board and Pinebrook College Board immediately to produce a study to show their price lists for services are adequate to cover the costs of the service produced by the Service Board.

(b) Invest in Service Board sole authority for all business transactions described in Paragraph 1(c) under "Organizational Structure" herein.

(c) Adopt by laws for Conference Board and Service Board that will separate the functions and duties of Conference Director and Business Manager.

(d) Direct Service Board to employ a Business Manager who is qualified to serve all "business" operations of the Conference Board, the College Board, and the Service Board, including the operation and maintenance of the Pinebrook facilities.

(e) Provide a rule that, in his conduct, the Business Manager shall consider the Service Board the sole source of policy regulating his business conduct.

(f) Invest in Pinebrook Service Board sole authority for making all capital improvements, including those which are to be purchased with gifts to be solicited from our fellowship, or from others. Service Board shall obtain concurrence of Board of Directors of Bible Fellowship Church before making any proposed Capital Improvement costing more than \$2,500.00.

(g) Service Board shall not make an expenditure for capital improvement exceeding \$500 unless it has funds on hand with which to pay for the improvement, or unless it has a plan for financing the purchase of it.

Other Questions to be Considered

The continued operation of Pinebrook by Bible Fellowship Church confronts the Annual Conference with the following questions to which we must find answer:

(a) What is the capital cost of the improvements at Pinebrook that must be made annually for each of the next five years?

(b) How will these improvements be financed?

(c) Is the Bible Fellowship Church willing to subsidize the day-to-day operation at Pinebrook, and to what degree?

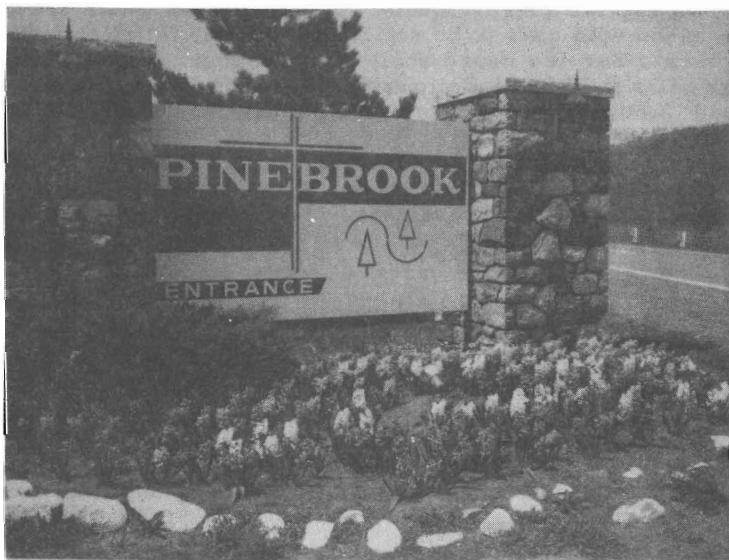
(d) What is the extent to which the Bible Fellowship Church will support Pinebrook Junior College and Pinebrook Bible Conference?

Conclusion

We recommend again approval of each proposal made herein. We further recommend that the study begun by this Committee be carried on by the Pinebrook Service Board.

We believe that the new accounting system, together with the studies yet to be made, will produce either a sound structure organizationally and financially, or they will at the least furnish to this conference a basis for making such further decisions as may be necessary.

(Carl C. Cassel, Byron C. Cassel, Kermit K. Gehman, Norman Granda, A. L. Seifert, Robert Breitegam, Ronald Ensminger, George E. Herb, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., David J. Watkins, Carlton Wentz, Robert Truett, committee).



20th Meeting
Saturday, May 13, 1972

The meeting was opened at 9:00 a.m. with the singing of "O God, Our Help". James G. Koch read from Nehemiah 1:1-4; 2:11-17; giving the devotional message on the theme, "People Need a Dream, a Vision."

Resolved, that the following alternates be seated: John Pfeifer, Cedar Crest; James Roberts, Quakertown; Glen Landan, Shamokin; Nicholas Scheetz, Spring City; Oliver Beil, Walnutport.

Communications were received from C.E. Kirkwood, Daniel G. Ziegler and Robert W. Smock.

Resolved, that we accept the above written excuses.

Resolved, that eight pews in front of the chair and to the right and left constitute the Conference bar.

Resolved, that the minutes of the morning and afternoon sessions of March 25, 1972 be approved as circulated.

Resolved, that the agenda of today be limited to the discussion of the problem of a sewage treatment system at Pinebrook Conference Center and all matters relative to such.

President David J. Watkins, of the Pinebrook Junior College presented a report of the Board of Directors of Pinebrook Junior College as to its ability to carry the services from the Pinebrook Service Board. (See Reports)

Resolved, that we recess. Recessed at 10:20 a.m.

Reconvened at 10:40 a.m.

Missionary Timothy Kauffman from Zaire (supported by B.F. C.) addressed the Conference.

Roger Reitz, stated supply for Catasauqua, was introduced to the Conference.

John H. Riggall, Chairman of the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board, presented a report relative to its ability to carry the services from the Pinebrook Service Board. (See Reports)

The Conference entered into a discussion concerning the building and financing of a Sewage treatment at Pinebrook.

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

Whereas, the Commonwealth of Pa., through Environmental Protection Specialist II for Monroe County, has directed that a sewage treatment plant at Pinebrook Conference Center must be under construction by September 5, 1972, and

Whereas, Hess Associated of Stroudsburg, Pa., has designed a sewage treatment plant satisfactorily adequate to treat existing loads plus some small growth in the load that may be placed upon it, and

Whereas, Hess Associates estimated the plant it has designed can be constructed at a cost of \$84,730 including 15% for overhead and profit to the contractor, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the officers of Bible Fellowship Church be authorized to advise the Commonwealth of Pa., that we will enter into a contract for construction for the proposed sewage treatment plant, the contract to provide that construction shall begin on September 5, 1972, and is to be completed by December 31, 1972.

(Yes, 69; No 3)

Resolved, that the officers of Bible Fellowship Church be, and they hereby are, authorized to make a construction loan to pay for the construction of the sewage treatment plant at Pinebrook Conference Center. (Unanimous)

Resolved, that the officers of the Bible Fellowship Church, be and they hereby are, authorized to place a first mortgage on Pinebrook Conference Center, not to exceed \$125,000, the proceeds to be used to satisfy that note for \$25,000 now owed to First National Bank of Allentown, Pa., and to settle the construction loan made for construction of sewage treatment plant.

(Yes 63; No 3)

Resolved, that the officers of Bible Fellowship Church be directed to arrange for amortization of the proposed mortgage over a period of 20 years; or if not possible, over a period of not less than 15 years, and to provide the opportunity to prepay or to accelerate amortization of the indebtedness without penalty, and be it further,

Resolved, that the Board of Directors of Bible Fellowship Church be authorized to take such other action as may be required to accomplish this project and, that it be required to fill a progress report on this project with Annual Conference in October 1972.

(Yes 65; No 6)

Resolved, that we adjourn. Adjourned at 1:26 p.m. with prayer by E.W. Bean.

REPORTS

PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE

Comparison of Income and Expenses for Services Supplied by the Service Board, May 5, 1972.

In its session on March 25, 1972, the Annual Conference asked the College to produce a study to determine whether its fees would cover the costs of the services supplied by the Service Board. The accompanying material is the result of that study.

The College is committed to the premise that the cost of supplying meals and lodging should be borne by the students. Other educational expenses may legitimately be subsidized by contributions, but not room and board.

The analysis is made on the basis of actual bills from the the Service Board for July 1, 1971, to March 31, 1972, and from estimates of anticipated bills for April 1 to June 30, 1972. The figures as presented by the Service Board's reports are used even though some changes which will reduce the College bills are in the process of being made. These changes will probably reduce costs for July and August in 1971 to approximately the level of the projection made for June 1972.

Comparison of Income and Expenses for Services Supplied
by the Service Board to the College

INCOME

The rates in effect in the 1971-1972 year are \$150.00 per student each semester for room and \$300.00 per student each semester for meals:

This year we have 41 resident students first semester and 44 students second semester.

Income for food costs

85 students x \$300.00 per student = \$25,500.00

Income for room costs

85 students x 150.00 per student = \$12,750.00

EXPENSES

The amount owed to the Service Board is indicated here by months. For July 1971 to March 1972 it is from the actual bills; from April to June 1972 it is from estimates based on previous experience.

Total Service Board bill to College 1971-1972

	<u>Costs</u>	<u>10% charge</u>	<u>Total</u>
July	1,271.64	127.16	1,398.80
August	1,207.45	120.75	1,328.20
September	3,348.45	334.85	3,683.29
October	5,910.04	591.00	6,501.04
November	3,850.30	385.03	4,235.33
December	5,461.46	546.15	6,007.61
January	3,904.37	390.44	4,294.81
February	4,366.26	436.63	4,802.89
March	4,486.03	448.60	4,934.63
April	4,306.34	430.63	4,736.97
May	3,382.84	338.28	4,601.12
June	378.34	37.83	416.17
	<u>41,873.52</u>	<u>4,187.35</u>	<u>46,039.74</u>
Service Board Adjustments			- 749.36
			<u>45,290.38</u>

All meal costs are for students except those supplied to four members of the staff who receive meals as part of their remuneration and those provided to faculty members on campus when teaching. This second group averages four noon meals for five days each week of school.

The costs of heat, light, maintenance are about equally divided between student rooms and the rooms for staff living quarters, office space, classrooms, chapel and library. This division was made on the basis of oil usage; one-half the oil consumed by the college was used in the dormitories and one-half in educational and administrative space.

The following is the tabulation of these costs:

Division of Costs Between Direct Services for Students and other Educational Expenses

	Students		Other		Students	
	Room	10%	Space	10%	Meal	10%
	Costs	Charge	Costs	Charge	Costs	Charge
July	123.34	12.33	1,148.30	114.83	0.00	0.00
Aug.	123.34	12.33	1,084.11	108.41	0.00	0.00
Sept.	635.82	63.58	635.82	63.58	1,930.03	193.03
Oct.	763.26	76.33	763.26	76.33	3,934.85	393.48
Nov.	404.99	40.50	404.99	40.50	2,561.71	256.71
Dec.	1,232.37	123.24	1,232.37	123.24	2,592.72	259.27
Jan.	773.66	77.37	773.66	77.37	1,969.45	196.95
Feb.	921.37	92.14	921.37	92.14	2,144.41	214.44
Mar.	982.63	98.26	982.63	98.26	2,076.78	207.68
April	903.17	90.31	903.17	90.31	2,037.00	203.70
May	816.42	81.64	816.42	81.64	1,375.64	137.56
June	189.17	18.91	189.17	18.91	0.00	0.00
Totals	7,869.54	786.95	9,855.27	985.53	20,622.85	2,062.29

Other		Total
Meal	10%	Service
Costs	Charge	Board
		Bill
0.00	0.00	1,398.80
0.00	0.00	1,328.20
254.84	25.48	3,683.29
448.67	44.87	6,501.04
428.60	42.86	4,235.33
404.00	40.40	6,007.61
387.60	38.76	4,294.81
379.20	37.92	4,802.89
443.40	44.34	4,934.63
436.00	43.60	4,736.97
324.36	32.44	3,721.12
0.00	0.00	416.17
3,506.67	350.67	46,039.74
		- 749.36

COMPARISON

Comparison of income and expenses

MEALS FOR STUDENTS

Income from meal costs \$ 25,500.00

Meal costs for the year

for students 20,622.85

10% charge 2,062.28 22,685.13

Excess of income over expense \$ 2,815.87

ROOMS FOR STUDENTS

Income from room charges \$ 12,750.00

Costs to provide rooms

for students 7,869.54

10% charge 786.95 8,656.49Excess of income over expenses \$ 4,094.51

The estimated division of expenses for providing room space was made on the basis of oil usage. In one month the following was the College oil usage:

<u>Building</u>	<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Student Housing</u>	<u>Other</u>
President's home	371		371
Girl's Dorm	1,245	1,245	
Overbrook (center)	1,054		1,054
Viewbrook (men)	655	655	
Nearbrook (men)	727	727	
Echobrook (C.room)	560		560
Chapel	160		160
Library	201		201
	<u>4,973</u>	<u>2,627</u>	<u>2,346</u>

These figures indicate 52% of the oil was used for student living quarters. Therefore, on most of the items in the college bill from the service board the costs were split equally between student cost and other educational costs for provision of space.

This leads to the conclusion that the charges presently in effect cover adequately the costs of services supplied by the Service Board to students.

These charges have been increased in next year's catalog and can be increased even more so that it appears that the sewage responsibilities chargeable to feeding and housing students can be covered by the college from student income.

The college is presently behind in its payments to the Service Board for two reasons. First, current students presently owe the college \$10,000.00. All of this appears to be collectable by May 12, 1972. Second, contributions are needed to cover the part of these costs by other educational expenses. The college is not yet clear whether its contributions received will be adequate to allow a balanced budget for this fiscal year.

Comparison of Income and Expenses for the responsibility of a mortgage for sewage

In making a projection for next year under conditions similar to this year, the College anticipates the following financial conditions.

INCOME

A budget has been prepared for 1972-73 which is balanced. It anticipates 57 resident students each semester. Present indications lead the College to believe that this is a goal that can be achieved. The charges to students for next year will be \$150.00 per semester for room and \$310.00 per semester for food.

Income for food costs

114 students x \$310.00 per student = 35,340.00

Income for room costs

114 students x \$150.00 per student = 17,100.00

Because of the poor delivery of basic services in heat, light and water during the 1971-72 year, the College has serious difficulty in a major increase in room costs. A presently inadvised increase of \$20.00 per semester would be the maximum advisable at present.

114 students x \$20.00 per student charge for sewage
improvements = \$2,280.00

EXPENSE

These 57 resident students can be housed in the same building which were used by the College this year. Therefore costs are anticipated to be almost identical.

Costs for providing student housing 1971-72	\$ 7,869.54
Cost of living increase 5%	<u>393.48</u>
	8,263.02
10% Charge	<u>826.30</u>
Cost of Housing	9,089.32
Costs for providing student meals	
Average costs per student in 1971-72/\$254.40 x	29,001.60
Cost of living increase 5%	<u>1,450.08</u>
	30,451.68
10% Charge	<u>3,045.17</u>
Cost of Meals	33,496.85

COMPARISON

Comparison of income and expenses for 1972-73

MEALS FOR STUDENTS

Anticipated income from board charges	35,340.00
Anticipated costs for meals	
\$ 30,451.68	
10% Charge	<u>3,045.17</u>
	33,496.85

ROOMS FOR STUDENTS

Anticipated income from room
Charges:

Regular Charge	\$ 17,100.00	
Extra Charge for		
Sewage	<u>2,280.00</u>	19,380.00

Anticipated costs to provide rooms	9,089.32	
Maximum anticipated costs of sewage	<u>4,500.00</u>	13,589.32

The College Board has resolved to guarantee its ability to meet its part of the mortgage obligation for sewage from the A. L. Wentz legacy.

These statistics indicate the basis for the confidence of the College in being able to meet the obligations for room, food service and sewage.

REPORT OF PINEBROOK CONFERENCE BOARD

Total Rooms Days for one year - Sept. 1970 to Sept. 1971
13,548

Increase in the rates of 75¢ per room day - \$10,145 per year

The Conference cost for \$125,000 for 15 years is - \$8,712
2/3rds of \$13,068 - \$ 8,712

Rates will increase

Summer - \$4.50 per week per person

Winter week-end - \$1.50 per person per week-end.

Sept. 1970	5 days - 252
Oct.	16 days - 1,207
Nov.	9 days - 726
Dec.	6 days - 618

Jan. 1971	11 days - 2,664
Feb.	16 days - 2,075
March	11 days - 1,299
April	14 days - 813
May - June	
July	24 days - 2,472
Aug.	18 days - 1,146
Sept.	2 days - 276

13,548

The Conference at full capacity

Summer

A full week is 1,323 rooms days

A full month is 5,292 room days (1,323 x 4)

Winter week-ends

A full week-end is 514 room days

A full month is 2,056 room days (514 x 4)

A Full Year

38,000 room days

14 summer weeks

38 winter weeks

REVISED SYSTEM OF PULPIT SUPPLY



BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH
Adopted Oct. 15, 1971

The ideal condition in a conference is that of a satisfactory and stable pastoral relation in each church within its jurisdiction. To work to that ideal it is important that a conference have a proper concern for and relationship with the churches which are without pastors.

A. INSTITUTING THE PASTORAL RELATION IN CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS

1. Ministerial Relations Committee. The care of churches without Pastors shall be assigned to the Ministerial Relations Committee.

2. Oversight. The Ministerial Relations Committee shall exercise oversight of churches without pastors in the following ways:

a. The First Annual Conference Delegate shall serve as Moderator of the Official Board.

b. By consulting with the Official Board regarding Temporary Supplies. The Official Board shall meet with the Committee and with its aid and advice secure temporary supplies for its pulpit when it becomes vacant.

c. By advising with the Official Board regarding Stated Supplies. On recommendations of the Ministerial Relations Committee Annual Conference may establish stated supplies. The Committee may arrange for the transfer of stated supplies within the Conference when it seems to be for the best interests of the minister, the church, or the Conference as a whole. In the area of stated supplies, the Ministerial Relations Committee shall at all times work in consultation with the Ministerial Candidate Committee and with the Credentials Committee.

d. By advising churches regarding the calling of a pastor. The Ministerial Relations Committee shall meet and consult with the Official Board of every church that is without a pastor. It shall advise the Official Board regarding the suitability of any person whose name is to be put before the congregation, and shall have the privilege of nominating suitable persons for the Board's consideration. The Annual Conference shall permit a call to be placed in the hands of a minister only when the Official Board of the church has thus consulted the Ministerial Relations Committee and obtained its approval before the name is presented to the congregation.

e. By conferring with the Board of Church Extension and the Official Board of any church receiving aid in the support of its pastor through the Church Extension Fund before recommending or approving the settlement of a pastor or stated supply in such a church.

3. Duty of a Particular Church without a Pastor.

a. Every church should be under the pastoral oversight of a minister, when its pulpit is vacant, shall promptly proceed to elect a pastor in the following manner: The Official Board shall call a congregational meeting to convene at the regular place of worship to elect a nominating committee representative of the whole congregation, whose duty it shall be to nominate a minister to the congregation for election as pastor. Public notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting must be given at not less than three prior regularly scheduled meetings.

The church may elect a nominating committee only after its pulpit has become vacant or after the Ministerial Relations Committee has set a definite future date when the pulpit of the church is to be declared vacant. But the nominating committee shall be free, without the influence of the retiring pastor to carry out the desires of the congregation with reference to the call of a successor pastor.

b. Conference with Ministerial Relations Committee. The nominating committee shall confer with the Ministerial Relations Committee as provided in Section A, paragraph 2.

c. If it appear desirable, the nominating committee may confer with eligible men prior to issuing a formal call so that the parties may become acquainted with the particular needs of the church and proposed methods, opportunities, or obligations.

d. Who is eligible for a call? The Credentials Committee shall issue an annual list of men who are eligible to work as pastors of a Bible Fellowship Church, and this list is to be published in the Year Book and made a part of the proceedings of Annual Conference. Should changes occur in this list while Conference is adjourned, the Secretary of the Credentials Committee shall mail a revised list of such men to all delegates who were members of the last Annual Conference or who may be delegates-elect to the next Annual Conference.

e. The Congregational Meeting. When the nominating committee is ready to report, it shall notify the Official Board, which shall call a congregational meeting at the regular place of worship for the purpose of acting on the report of the nominating committee. Public notice of the time, place and purpose of the meeting shall be given at not less than three prior regularly scheduled meetings.

f. The Congregation's Responsibility in the Election of a Pastor. The order of business for the congregational meeting is as follows:

1. The First Delegate to Annual Conference shall preside, or he may appoint a member of the Ministerial Relations Committee to do so.

2. The Secretary of the Official Board shall act as secretary of the meeting.

3. Prayer for divine guidance shall be made.

4. Statement shall be made concerning those entitled to vote. All members, having attained the age of sixteen (16) years, attending the meeting, but no others, are entitled to vote.

5. The report of the nominating committee shall be made.

6. The question shall be put: "Are you ready to proceed to the election of a pastor?" The question shall be answered by a motion, duly seconded, and approved by a majority of those voting.

7. If they declare themselves ready, the moderator shall declare the name submitted by the nominating committee to be in nomination.

8. The vote shall be taken by written ballot. In every case a majority of the voters present and voting shall be required to elect.

9. On the election of a pastor, if it appear that a large minority is averse to the candidate who has received a majority of votes, and the minority cannot be induced to concur in the call, the moderator shall endeavor to dissuade the majority from prosecuting it further. If the electors be nearly or quite unanimous or if the majority shall insist upon its right to call a pastor, the moderator shall proceed to draw a call in due form. It shall be subscribed by them, certifying at the same time in writing the number of those who do not concur in the call, and any facts of importance all of which proceedings shall be laid before the Ministerial Relations Committee, together with the call.

10. The call shall be in the following form, namely:

FORM OF CALL

"The _____ Bible Fellowship Church of _____, being on sufficient grounds, well satisfied of the ministerial qualifications of you, _____, and having good hopes from our knowledge of you, that your ministrations in the gospel will be profitable to our spiritual interests, do earnestly call and desire you to undertake the office of pastor in said congregation, promising you in the discharge of your duties, all proper support, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord.

"And that you may be free from worldly care and avocations, we, on our part, promise and oblige ourselves to pay you the sum of \$ _____ yearly in regular payments during the time of your being and continuing as the pastor of this church, together with free use of the parsonage and _____ vacation each year.

"And we agree to pay or continue to pay semi-annually into the Ministers' Retirement Fund that requisite percent of said salary which Annual Conference may require you to pay into said fund.

"And we agree to pay or continue to pay annually a sum equivalent to that self-employment tax as may be levied upon you by the Congress of the United States under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act.

"And we agree to pay, or continue to pay, for the Health and Welfare benefits offered by Annual Conference.

"And we promise and oblige ourselves to review with you the adequacy of this compensation annually.

"In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our names this _____ day of _____ A.D. _____.

(Signatures)

"I, having moderated the congregational meeting which extended a call to _____ for his ministerial services, do certify that the call has been made in all respects according to the rules laid down by the Faith and Order, and that the persons who sign the foregoing call were authorized to do so by vote of the congregation.

(Signed) _____
Moderator of Meeting."

11. The signatures on the call shall be either all those present subscribing to the call: or (upon resolution of the congregation) those members of the Official Board who subscribe to the call. Such a resolution must be publicly voted and must be certified to the Ministerial Relations Committee by the moderator of the meeting.

12. The Annual Conference Delegate(s) shall present and prosecute the call before the Ministerial Relations Committee.

4. Duty of Minister

a. Ministers receiving calls shall reply in writing within three weeks.

b. If it appear desirable, after he has received a call, the minister may confer with the nominating committee so the parties may become acquainted with the particular needs of the church and with proposed methods, opportunities, or obligations.

5. Action of Annual Conference on the Call of the Pastor.

a. Preliminary actions by the Ministerial Relations Committee.

1. The Nominating Committee shall confer with the Ministerial Relations Committee as provided in Section A, paragraph 3 b.

2. The Ministerial Relations Committee must approve the name of the candidate before it is presented to the congregation.

3. Every call must be placed in the hands of the Ministerial Relations Committee by the moderator of the congregational meeting and the Annual Conference Delegate(s). The Ministerial Relations Committee must find that the Nominating Committee had followed the required steps as provided in the Faith and Order.

b. When the call of the congregation is unanimous, or nearly so, the Ministerial Relations Committee may approve the call. If it is unable to approve the call, the Committee must submit the entire matter to Annual Conference at its next session, together with its recommendations. The delegate(s) to Annual Conference shall prosecute the call before the Annual Conference.

c. When a call is approved, the Annual Conference Delegate(s) shall place it in the hands of the minister called.

d. The minister called shall respond in writing within three weeks after having received the call.

B. MAINTAINING THE PASTORAL RELATION

1. Ministerial Relations Committee. On the denominational level the Ministerial Relations Committee is charged with the chief responsibility in maintaining good pastoral relations. It shall be established and elected in order that the spiritual and temporal welfare of the ministers and congregations of the Bible Fellowship Church may be properly sustained. The election of this committee shall take precedence over all other Annual Conference Boards, Committees, and Appointments. Unless Annual Conference otherwise provides, the Committee shall elect its own chairman and vice-chairman who shall serve until their successors have been elected.

To the Ministerial Relations Committee Annual Conference shall assign the supervision of its churches without pastors. Direct access to this Committee shall be available at all times to all ministers in the Conference, and to all members of Official Boards, in matters relative to the spiritual and temporal welfare of the churches in which they severally hold office.

2. Consultation and Advice.

a. Because the relationship between pastor and congregation began under mutual agreement and at the direction of Christ, the Head of the Church, the parties of this relationship bear the chief

responsibility for its proper maintenance through Christ's enabling. Help of the Ministerial Relations Committee shall be sought only when internal discussion of problems results in no mutually acceptable solution.

b. When external help is needed, the Ministerial Relations Committee shall represent Annual Conference in providing such help.

3. Composition and Election of the Ministerial Relations Committee.

a. The Committee shall be elected by Annual Conference.

b. The Committee shall be comprised of three classes and shall be composed of four ordained ministers who are serving as pastors and three laymen who are elders.

c. The term of office shall be for three years; no one is eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms. (At the beginning members shall be in three classes, serving terms of one, two and three years.)

d. Four members shall constitute a quorum. This Committee may, from its membership, establish such sub-committees as may meet its working requirements.

e. When a member of the Ministerial Relations Committee becomes personally involved in a ministerial problem, he shall disqualify himself from acting in such cases.

f. Direct access to this Committee shall be available to all ministers and to all members of the Official Board at all times. In corresponding with the Committee, letters shall be addressed to the Committee's secretary.

4. Duties of the Ministerial Relations Committee.

a. The Committee's role is that of consultation and advice; and, except in unusual circumstances, it is permitted to act only when matters are brought to its attention. To compel attention referrals must be by:

1. Pastors of the conference, regarding matters pertaining to their own churches.

2. Members of Official Boards regarding matters pertaining to their own churches.

b. When difficulties within a particular church are not too widely known, the Committee with the Pastoral Relations Committee of the congregation shall seek a solution to the problem.

c. If the matter has reached the stage of widespread rumor or general knowledge within the congregation and even in the community, a formal and public visit is in order. Except in cases of emergency, arrangements for such visits to a particular church shall be made by contacting the Secretary of the Official Board.

d. It is mandatory that a church or pastor having problems consult with the Ministerial Relations Committee before initiating any action leading to a dissolution of the pastoral relationship.

e. The first consideration of the Ministerial Relations Committee is the maintenance of a happy relationship between pastor and people. If problems arise, the Committee's duty is to work toward resolving the difficulties. Only after every effort to resolve a problem is exhausted, will thought be given to terminating the pastoral relationship.

f. When this Committee cannot resolve a problem submitted to it, the problem shall be brought to Annual Conference for final solution, with the recommendations of the Committee.

g. It shall submit a report to each Annual Conference and make recommendations as to the minimum minister's salary.

5. Minister's Salary. The call of the minister is a covenant between him and the church he serves and involves the following responsibilities:

a. It shall provide a basic salary. In addition, it shall include provision of a parsonage, including payment as an expense paid out of church income, of the cost of heat, light, telephone, and all other utilities.

b. Each congregation is bound by the requirement: We promise and oblige ourselves to review with you the adequacy of this compensation annually.

c. Whatever the amount of the annual payment of salary, each congregation agrees to pay or to continue to pay into the Ministers' Retirement Fund that requisite per cent of said salary which may be fixed by Annual Conference for the participation of the pastor in the Ministers' Retirement Fund.

d. Whatever the amount of the annual payment of salary, each congregation agrees to pay or to continue to pay annually a sum equivalent to that self-employment tax as may be levied upon the pastor by the Congress of the United States under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act.

e. Whatever the amount of the annual payment of salary, each congregation agrees to pay or to continue to pay for the Health and Welfare benefits as offered by Annual Conference.

f. The Ministerial Relations Committee shall approve the call and its details; i.e. the covenant. It shall establish the time the covenant goes into effect. It shall report annually to Annual Conference on the adequacy of the compensation of the pastors. It shall fix the date of the dissolution of the pastorate, at which time the covenant ends.

C. DISSOLUTION OF THE PASTORAL RELATION

Except as Annual Conference may delegate authority to the Ministerial Relations Committee, its approval is necessary to the formation of the pastoral relation and to its dissolution. This authority may be exercised on the petition of the pastor, or on the judgment of Annual Conference without petition. Action taken on "resignation of the pastor or petition of the people" is the normal form of such dissolution. Rules covering the normal process are 1 through 4 of this section. Action taken on the "judgment of Annual Conference, without petition" is effected by administrative discipline as covered by Paragraph 5 in this section.

1. The Normal Process. If a minister desires to resign from his pastorate, he shall submit his resignation to the church by sending a letter to the Secretary of the Official Board, and he shall at the same time submit a copy of said letter to the Chairman of the Ministerial Relations Committee.

a. The Ministerial Relations Committee shall cite the church to appear by members of the Official Board, or the church may so appear upon its own motion, to show cause, if it has any, why Annual Conference should not accept the resignation. If the church shall fail to appear, or if its reasons for retaining its pastor be deemed insufficient, his resignation may be accepted. The Ministerial Relations Committee may approve the resignation and set its effective date. If the Committee is unable to approve the resignation, it must refer the problem to Annual Conference with recommendations.

b. Ordinarily such action presents no difficulties. The usual practice is for the Official Board to call a congregational meeting, in accordance with our rules, to vote concurrence with the minister's resignation. The presentation of the resignation of the pastoral charge by the minister and the concurrence of the congregation leads to the action of Annual Conference dissolving the pastoral relation, and a fixing of the effective date.

2. Churches Desiring Dissolution of Pastorate.

a. If a church desires a dissolution of the pastoral relation, a similar procedure shall be observed. The title of this paragraph implies that problems exist between pastor and people. It is required then, that all procedures set forth in Section B, for maintaining the pastoral relationship have been followed diligently. Nevertheless, the relationship continues to be an unhappy one. But

whether the minister or the church initiates proceedings for a dissolution of the relationship, there shall always be a meeting of the congregation called precisely as prescribed in Section A, paragraph 3e, and conducted in the same manner as prescribed in Section A, paragraph 3f.

If this action is undertaken unilaterally by the church, it must be in the form of a petition to Annual Conference asking that its pastoral relationship be dissolved. This petition must be prepared in consultation with the Ministerial Relations Committee and it must be submitted to Annual Conference through the Ministerial Relations Committee.

b. Unless the pastor resigns, there is no provision for dissolution of the pastoral relationship except as provided in Section C. Paragraph 2a., or in Section C. Paragraph 5.

3. Consultation and Help for Ministers seeking change of Pastorate.

a. Ministerial Relations Committee. A part of the purpose for the Ministerial Relations Committee is to facilitate the exchange of information concerning ministers seeking new pastorates and vacant churches seeking new ministers. Counsel and advice should be given by Ministerial Relations Committee which should insist on such ministers giving information concerning their education, background, and experience, for reference. Suggestions may be given of churches presently vacant, of assistant pastors needed, or of opportunities for those of special talents for administrative work, etc.

b. It may sometimes be wise for Annual Conference, through its Ministerial Relations Committee, to suggest a different calling to one whose experience and disappointment raise a question as to his call to the ministry. Other areas of Christian service, even those open to laymen, may be more suitable to some who have been willing to serve as ministers.

4. Consultation and Help for Churches Seeking a Change of Pastorate. The help of the Ministerial Relations Committee shall be available and willingly given that both church and minister may find satisfactory relations. The friendly help thus given through patience and positive action may prevent the appearance of discord and the resulting harm to both minister and congregation.

5. Dissolution of Pastoral Relation by Annual Conference after Investigation. There are several ways in which irregularities come before Annual Conference for official action:

a. By report of the Ministerial Relations Committee to Annual Conference when it is unable to solve a problem by simple counsel and advice.

b. By the motion of a member of Annual Conference whose conscience requires him to act in regard to the pastoral relationship.

c. By general review and control.