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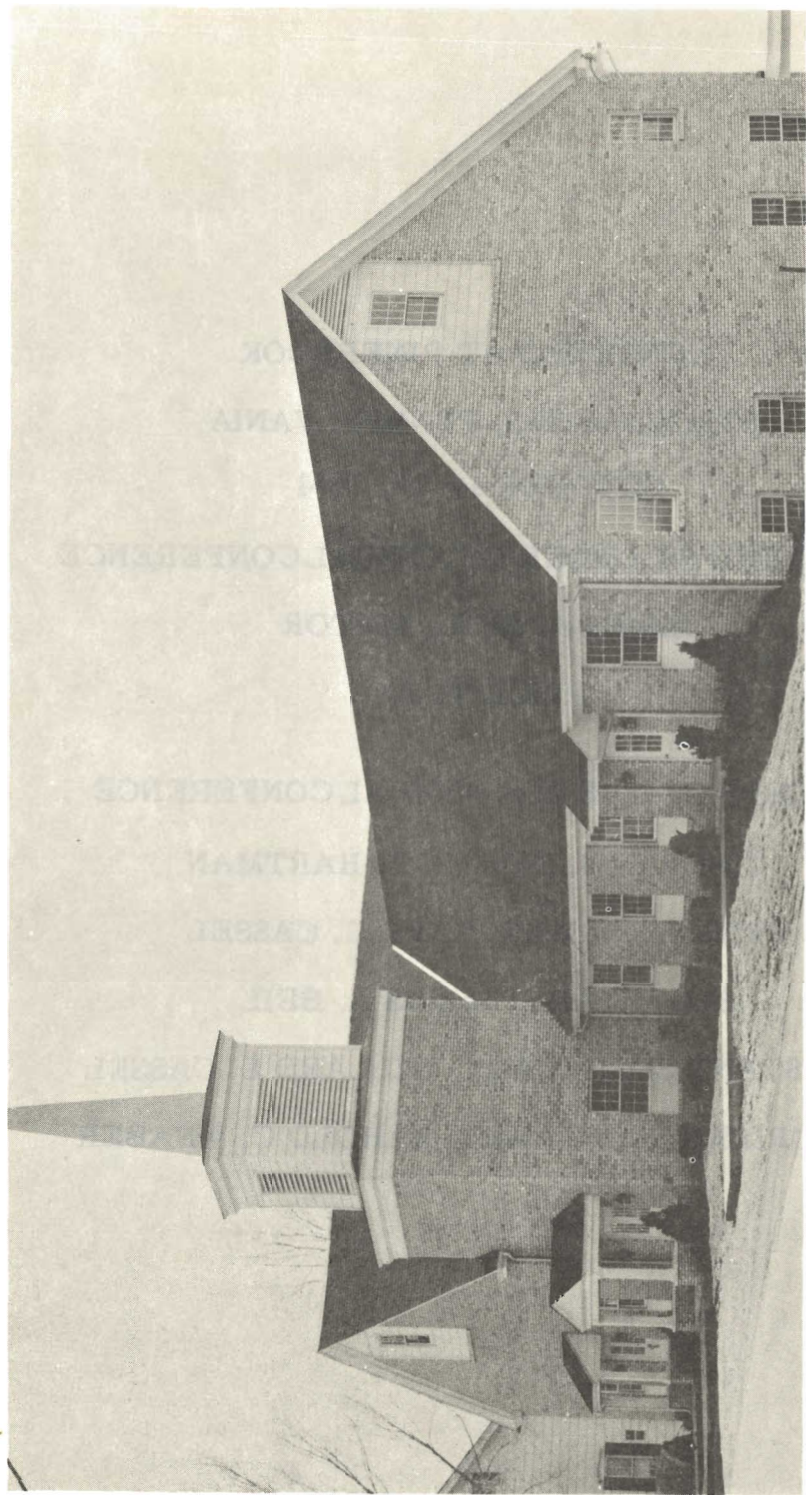
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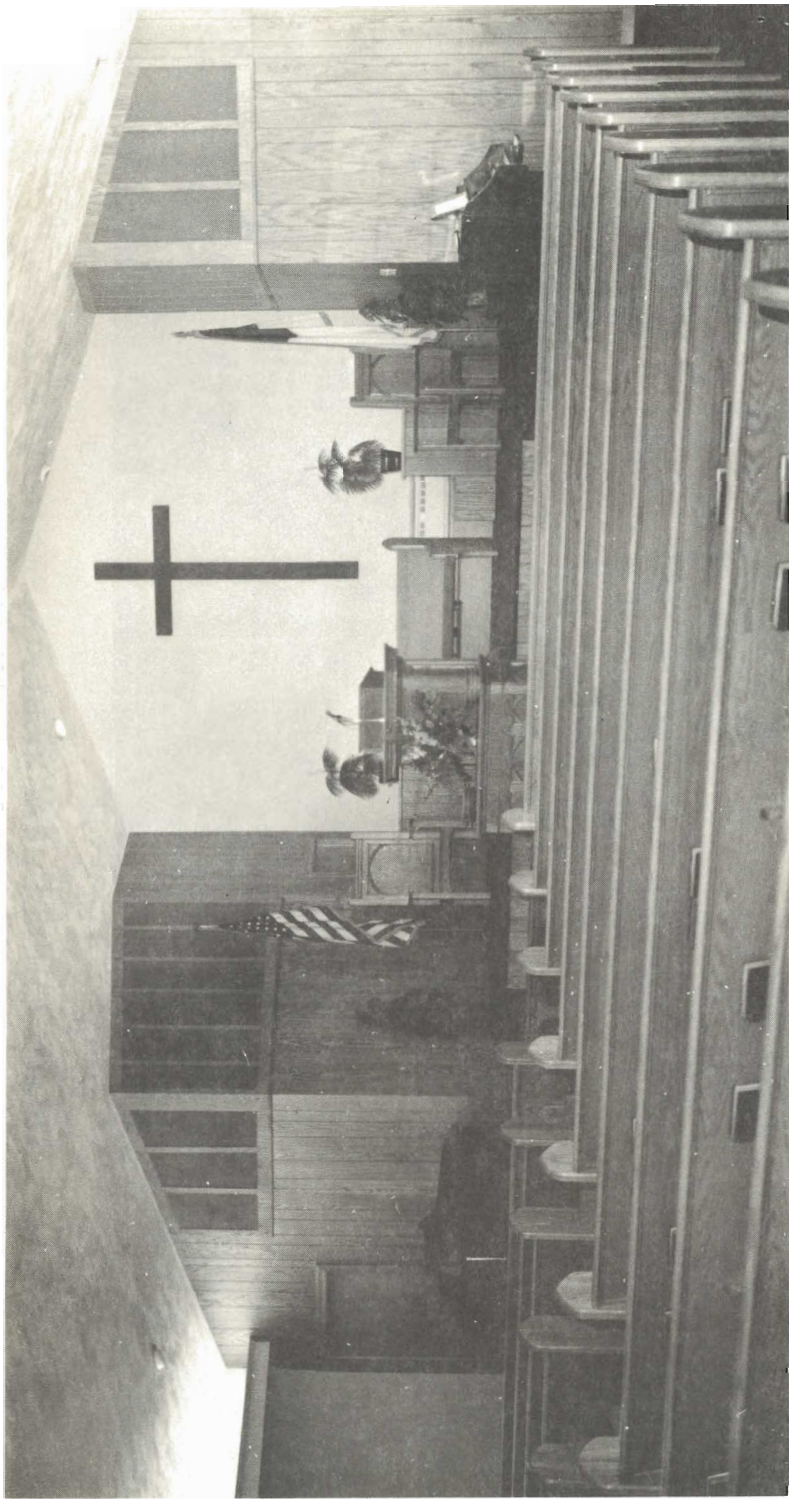
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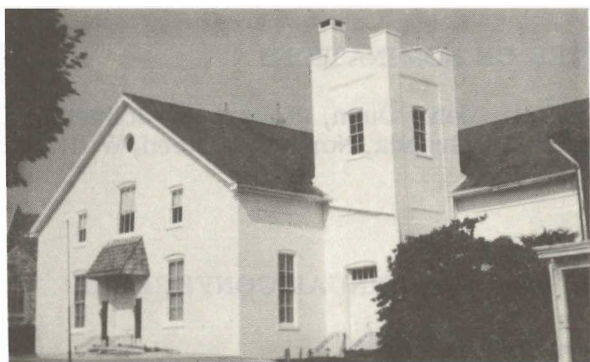
Roy Hertzog, Carl C. Cassel, John H. Herb, Daniel G. Ziegler, Robert W. Smock, Jansen E. Hartman

MINISTERS' RETIREMENT FUND

Ministers' Retirement Fund - Pastor's payment is figured on the basis of 1-1/2% of his salary. Half of the whole assessment is to be paid by April 1 - the remainder at Annual Conference.

Make checks payable to the BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH and mail to Horace A. Kauffman, 25 E. Lemon Street, Lititz, Pa. 17543.

The rate for calculating Annuities from Ministers' Retirement Fund in the 1974-75 year is \$55.00 for each year of active service (See page 11)



NEWLY PURCHASED EPHRATA CHURCH

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS TO BE MADE TO ANNUAL
CONFERENCE AGENCIES

MONTHLY -

Conference Administrative Budget - (beginning October 31st; pledge may also be paid annually in advance.)

Make checks payable to the BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH and send them to Horace A. Kauffman, 25 E. Lemon Street, Lititz, Pa. 17543.

Pinebrook Junior College - checks to be made payable to PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE and sent to Box 481, R. D. #3, East Stroudsburg, Pa., 18301 (Contributions may also be made quarterly).

QUARTERLY -

Church Extension - make checks payable to BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION and send them to Daniel G. Ziegler, Treasurer, 1049 Kenyon Ave., Plainfield, N. J. 07060.

Foreign Missions - Make checks payable to BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS and send them to David E. Thomann, Box 1, Stroudsburg, Pa. 18360

BY MARCH 1

Victory Valley Camp - make check payable to VICTORY VALLEY CAMP and send it to John H. Herb, 723 S. Filmore Street, Allentown, Pa. 18103

BY APRIL 1

Board of Christian Education - make check payable to BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION and mail to William R. Hunsberger, Treasurer, 417 N. 7th Avenue, Royersford, Pa. 19468

Home for the Aging - make check payable to BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH HOME and send to 7 S. New Street, Nazareth, Pa. 18064

ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS - 1974

First Meeting

Monday Morning, October 14, 1974 - 10:00 a.m.

Chairman Jansen E. Hartman called the assembly to order.
F. B. Hertzog led in prayer.

The roll was called and established as follows:

Allentown, Bethel - James G. Koch - John L. Deily
Allentown, Cedar Crest - Roy Hertzog - R. Glenn Rohrbach
Allentown, Salem - John H. Herb - Allan C. Palmer
Bethlehem - Frank L. Herb, Jr. - Warren L. Zimmerman
Blandon - Arthur H. Frable - John I. Mengel
Denville, N. J. - Willard E. Cassel
Easton - LeRoy C. Wilcox - Russell E. Dech
Emmaus - Harvey J. Fritz, Jr. - Clifford L. Kauffman
Ephrata - Robert W. Smock - Robert W. Gehret
Fleetwood - Austin G. Shelly - Norman L. Reed
Graterford - Keith E. Plows - Edward Stortz
Harleysville Clayton Dietz
Harrisburg - R. C. Reichenbach - Darwin C. Wagner
Hatfield - Ronald C. Mahurin - Clyde W. Snyder
Lancaster - John Dunn - Horace A. Kauffman
Lebanon - Bruce A. Ellingson - David Herb
Lehighton Ernest E. Bauer
Maple Glen - Carl K. Spackman - Byron C. Cassel
Mt. Carmel - Paul G. Zimmerman - Harold L. Snyder, Jr.
Nazareth - James A. Beil - Norman W. Granda
Paradise - William A. Heffner - L. Donald Miller
Quakertown - Bert N. Brosius - L. James Roberts, Jr.
Reading - Jansen E. Hartman - Robert Breitegam
Royersford - Robert F. Johnson - William R. Hunsberger
Shamokin - Harold C. Weaver - T. Lamarn Manney
Sinking Spring - Terris Byrd - Donald Long
Stroudsburg - Robert A. Minnig - Harold E. Snyder
Sunbury - LeRoy S. Heller - Clayton B. Brosius
Terre Hill - W. W. Hartman - Robert L. Weaver
Wallingford - David L. Branning - Edward Shockley, Sr.
Walnutport Oliver W. Beil
York - John H. Riggall - Sterling Baer
Zionsville - E. W. Bean - Bright N. Heist

Catasauqua - Roger Reitz - Arthur W. Deppe
Coopersburg - Donald D. Reitz - Michael Guttman
Finesville - D. Thomas Phillips - H. Walter Stout, Jr.

Phila., Calvary - Keith L. Yoder - Leon H. Naudasher
 Phila., Emmanuel - Dana E. Weller - Horace Manuel
 Scranton - Bernard N. Coble - Carl H. Kellerman
 Spring City - Richard Taylor - R. Stanley Weidner
 Staten Island, N. Y. Ralph D. Cole

CHURCH EXTENSION: Robert L. Draper, Donald R. Knauer,
 William W. Mull, Daniel G. Ziegler

PINEBROOK MINISTRIES: Carl C. Cassel, George E. Herb,
 David E. Thomann, David J. Watkins

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Donald T. Kirkwood, A. L. Seifert

RETIRED MINISTERS: Paul E. Baer, W. F. Heffner, F. B.
 Hertzog, E. J. Rutman, N. H. Wolf

ORDAINED MISSIONARIES: T. James Bigley, Brian H. But-
 ler, Leonard E. Buck, Richard J. Gehman, Robert F. Gordon,
 J. Barclay Harley, Edward Moyer, Laird F. Stengele

Letters of excuse were read from H. Walter Stout, Paul E.
 Baer, Donald T. Kirkwood, W. F. Heffner, N. H. Wolf, C. E.
 Kirkwood, A. L. Seifert.

Requests for absences for various reasons were asked by
 Byron C. Cassel, Clyde W. Snyder, David J. Watkins, Carl C.
 Cassel, George E. Herb, David E. Thomann, Donald R.
 Knauer.

RESOLVED: that the above excuses and requests be grant-
 ed.

RESOLVED: that the first 9 rows constitute the Conference
 Bar.

Secretary James A. Beil appointed Willard E. Cassel, As-
 sistant Secretary and Harold C. Weaver, Recording Sec-
 retary.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE
 Report was accepted.

RESOLVED: that the Agenda be adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM (See page
 37)

Report was accepted.

Chairman Jansen E. Hartman presented a Keynote message from Romans 1:1-15.

The Lord's Supper was observed.

RESOLVED: that we adjourn. Adjourned at 12 noon with prayer by John Dunn.

Second Meeting

Monday Afternoon, October 14, 1974 - 1:30 p.m.

The meeting was opened with prayer by E. W. Bean.

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

The following Delegates, attending Annual Conference for the first time: Horace Manuel, R. Glenn Rohrbach, Michael Guttman, L. Donald Miller, Donald Long, were introduced to the Conference.

Men in various stages of development with the Ministerial Candidate Committee were introduced to the Conference.

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE (See page 38)

Report was accepted

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE. (See 40)

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL CANDIDATE COMMITTEE (See page 43)

Report was accepted.

RESOLVED: that when a Probationer is called through the Pulpit Supply System, to serve as a pastor or in another ministerial capacity, he shall be a voting member of the Annual Conference.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER. (See page 44)

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (See page 46)

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL CONVENTION (See page 48)

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION AND PRINTING (See page 50)

Report was accepted. The following budget was adopted:

BOARD OF PUBLICATION AND PRINTING Budgets for 1974-75

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Income:

1,300 subscriptions @ 2.50	3,250.	
Donations from Boards	300.	
Board subsidy	<u>875.</u>	4,425.

Expenditures:

Printing 12 Issues Fel. News	3,750.	
Secretarial Help	100.	
Editor's Expenses	125.	
Business Manager's Exp.	250.	
Maintenance of Machines	<u>200.</u>	4,425.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION AND PRINTING

Income:

Administrative Budget	2,500.	
Year Books	1,550.	
Faith & Order booklets	<u>150.</u>	4,200.

Expenditures:

Fellowship News subsidy	875.	
Year Books	1,550.	
Honorariums	250.	
Debt Reduction:		
Principal	600.	
Interest	125.	
Church Supplies	<u>800.</u>	4,200.

RESOLVED: that the month of January be designated as Fellowship News Subscription Month and that each pastor seek to increase his number of subscriptions to meet the goal of 1,300 subscriptions.

RESOLVED: that donations of \$50.00 each be given from the following: Boards of Victory Valley, Foreign Missions, Church Extension, Christian Education, Pinebrook Junior College, Pinebrook Bible Conference. (Checks should be

made payable to the Board of Publication and Printing and sent to the Business Manager by February 1, 1975).

RESOLVED: that the price of the Year Book be \$1.50.

The following were appointed Tellers: Robert F. Johnson, Keith E. Plows, John L. Deily, Austin G. Shelly, Norman W. Granda.

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE (See page 53)

Report was accepted.

RESOLVED: that the following Duties of the Historical Committee be adopted at FIRST READING:

1. To determine policy and procedure by which the Archivist can maintain and supplement the historical materials of the Bible Fellowship Church.

2. To assist the Archivist in the collection of relevant historical materials.

3. To maintain denominational archives for the accumulation of materials and memoirs relating to the history of the denomination.

4. To encourage each local fellowship to maintain a file of important documents related to the historical development of their local fellowship.

5. To make an annual report to the Annual Conference.

The following appointments were made by the Chairman and approved by the Conference:

COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS: R. C. Reichenbach, Bert N. Brosius, Terris Byrd, Warren L. Zimmerman, Russell E. Dech.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS: Robert W. Smock, Paul G. Zimmerman, David L. Branning, Carl K. Spackman, William R. Hunsberger, L. James Roberts, Jr., James G. Koch

TIME KEEPER: LeRoy C. Wilcox

REPORTER: Richard Taylor

COMMITTEE ON AUDITING: Norman L. Reed, Edward Shockley, Sr., Clifford L. Kauffman, Clayton Dietz

COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE LOCAL CHURCH MINUTES: E. W. Bean, W. W. Hartman, R. Glenn Rohrbach, Arthur W.

Deppe, Clyde W. Snyder, Ernest E. Bauer, Ralph D. Cole, Harold E. Snyder, Oliver W. Beil, R. Stanley Weidner, L. Donald Miller, Donald Long, Leon H. Naudasher, Horace Manuel, Bright N. Heist, John I. Mengel, Darwin Wagner, Harold L. Snyder, Jr., T. Lamarn Manney, Edward Stortz, Clayton B. Brosius, David Herb, Robert Weaver, Michael Guttman.

RESOLVED: that we extend the time.

The following were elected:

MINISTERIAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE: (3 years) Jansen E. Hartman, James G. Koch, John L. Deily

CONFERENCE TREASURER: Robert W. Gehret

EDITOR-PUBLISHER OF FELLOWSHIP NEWS: Willard E. Cassel

BUSINESS MANAGER: R. C. Reichenbach

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE: (3 years) Bright N. Heist

RESOLVED: that we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet at 6:30 p.m. Adjourned at 3:36 p.m. with prayer by W. W. Hartman.

Third Meeting

Monday Evening, October 14, 1974 - 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was opened in prayer by Dana Weller.

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

The following were elected:

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE: John H. Riggall, Frank L. Herb, Jr., Keith E. Plows, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Willard E. Cassel

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

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION (See 67)

Report was accepted.

Whereas, the Board of Church Extension certified that the Englishtown, N. J. mission has attained the standards in Article 18 of the Faith & Order, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: that the Englishtown, N. J. mission be recognized as a church and received into Annual Conference membership.

Clinton W. Crankshaw, delegate from Englishtown, N. J. was invited to sit in the Conference bar.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH HOME (See page 74)

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VICTORY VALLEY (See page 81)

Report was accepted.

RESOLVED: that the following duties of the Board of Victory Valley be adopted at FIRST READING:

1. To formulate objectives and policy for the camp.
2. To plan the year-round camp program.
3. To develop and maintain the site of the camp.
4. To formulate and maintain the standards of the camp.
5. To secure and provide for the training of the camp staff.
6. To supervise the financial and business matters of the camp.
7. To promote the camp to the public.
8. To evaluate the camp and its program.
9. To report to the Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (See page 85)

Report was accepted.

The following was adopted at SECOND READING:

MINISTERS' RETIREMENT FUND OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

I. NAME

The name of this fund shall be the Ministers' Retirement Fund of the Bible Fellowship Church.

II. PURPOSE

The Ministers' Retirement Fund shall be a permanent fund to provide and pay annuities to ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church who by reason of age have retired from active service and also to widows of such ministers according to the rules hereinafter stated.

III. ADMINISTRATION

This fund shall be controlled by the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church and operated by the Committee on Pensions under the direction of the Annual Conference.

IV. ELIGIBILITY

A. Every minister who is licensed or who has been ordained by the Bible Fellowship Church is a member of the Fund so long as he is working under the direction of the Annual Conference and his name continues to appear on the list of men eligible to serve as a pastor of a Bible Fellowship Church.

B. When a man receives license with the Bible Fellowship Church, the Ministerial Candidate Committee shall notify him of the requirement for payments into the Fund and its benefits.

C. A man having less than thirty years of active service to the Bible Fellowship Church and no longer meeting both requirements set forth in Paragraph A of this section of these rules, ceases to be a member of the Fund, except as provided in Paragraphs D and E of this section. When a minister ceases to be a member of the Retirement Fund, the money he paid into the Fund shall be refunded to him; and he by receiving this refund shall forfeit all further claims on the Fund.

D. Should a minister no longer meet both eligibility requirements of Paragraph A of this section because he is

awaiting a call to the pulpit of a Bible Fellowship Church, his membership in the Fund will continue so long as he desires, and this period between calls will be included as years of active service as this term is used in Section VIII, Paragraph A, 3. However, to maintain the continuity of his service, a minister covered by this paragraph shall on April 1 and at Annual Conference of each year make his contribution to the Fund in accordance with the provision of Section V, Paragraph B based on the minimum salary currently prescribed for a pastor by Annual Conference.

E. Should a minister, after having accepted a refund as provided in Paragraph C of this section, return to work under the direction of Annual Conference, he may return the refund to the Fund and the years of service represented by the refund, will be included in the base for calculating his annuity.

V. CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUND

The Fund shall be maintained by the following:

A. Contributions through the Annual Conference Administrative Budget.

B. Contributions from each member who shall pay into this Fund one and one-half percent of his salary. One half of this payment shall be forwarded to the Financial Secretary of the Board of Directors on or before April 1 and the balance shall be paid at Annual Conference each year.

C. Gifts, bequests and devises from any sources.

VI. RETIREMENT AGE

A. A minister of the Bible Fellowship Church who has attained the age of sixty five (65) years may retire from active service.

B. It is mandatory that a minister retire at the end of the month in which he attains the age of seventy-two (72) years.

C. A minister who has given thirty (30) years or more of service to the Bible Fellowship Church may retire from the active ministry prior to age sixty-five (65)

and be eligible for an annuity at age sixty-five (65).

VII. DISABILITY

A minister who has given twenty-five (25) years or more of active service to the Bible Fellowship Church may become eligible for an annuity at the end of the month in which he becomes totally and permanently disabled.

VIII. ANNUITIES

A. For Ministers

1. No annuity will be paid unless a minister has met the requirements of Section VI and has paid in full according to Section V, B at least five years.

2. The annuity for a retired minister shall be calculated at the rate established annually by Annual Conference by a two-thirds majority vote at one reading.

3. A minister's annuity will be based on his years of active service to the Bible Fellowship Church subject to a maximum of forty (40) years.

4. Services rendered after the age of seventy-two (72) years shall not increase the annuity.

5. If at any time the money in the Fund is insufficient to pay the annuities in full, the Board of Directors shall determine the amount of monthly installments pro rata.

6. No minister shall be entitled to the full amount of his annuity unless he has paid in full as according to Section V, B. The years of service shall be reduced for each year in which he was a member of the Fund, but failed to make the required payments.

B. Annuities for Widows

1. The widow of a deceased minister 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 widow shall have attained the age of sixty-five (65) years or beginning at the time that she shall attain the age of sixty-five (65) years.

2. A widow's annuity shall be calculated at one-half the rate of Section VIII, A for each year that she was the wife of a minister during which he was in active service in the Bible Fellowship Church subject to a maximum of forty (40) years.

3. The annuity shall cease if the widow remarries.

C. All annuities cease at the time of the death of the annuitant.

RESOLVED: that the rate for annuities from the Ministers' Retirement Fund for the 1974-75 year be \$55.00 per year of service.

RESOLVED: that the petition of the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church Home regarding payments into the Ministers' Retirement Fund be referred to the Committee on Pensions.

RESOLVED: that we adjourn. Adjourned at 9:00 p.m. with prayer by Oliver W. Beil.

Fourth Meeting

Tuesday Morning, October 15, 1974 - 9:00 a.m.

During the devotional time, the Pastors' Quartet sang; Keith L. Yoder spoke from Luke 12 and the members of Conference gathered in groups of four for prayer.

Laird F. Stengele, one of our missionaries to India, addressed the Conference.

The minutes of the Third Meeting were read and approved as corrected.

The following were elected:

MINISTERIAL CANDIDATE COMMITTEE: Robert F. Johnson, Ronald C. Mahurin, Paul G. Zimmerman, David J. Watkins, Carl C. Cassel

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS (See page 97)

Report was accepted.

The following legislation relative to the election of the

Board of Foreign Missions was adopted at SECOND READING:

The General Secretary be elected for a term of three years and that the Board be divided into three classes:

Two Pastors and two laymen elected for one year

One Pastor and one layman be elected for two years.

One Pastor and one layman be elected for three years.

Thereafter each class shall be elected for three years.

RESOLVED: that the Board of Foreign Missions prepare general duties under which it is to operate.

Recessed at 10:40 a.m. Reconvened at 11:14 a.m.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE (See page 127)

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE (See page 128)

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PINEBROOK BIBLE CONFERENCE (See page 132)

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE PINEBROOK BIBLE CONFERENCE BOARD (See page 133)

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF PINEBROOK SERVICE BOARD (See page 138)

Report was accepted.

RESOLVED: that we extend the time.

RESOLVED: that we adjourn. Adjourned at 12:16 p.m. with prayer by Norman L. Reed.

Fifth Meeting

Tuesday Afternoon, October 15, 1974 - 1:30 p.m.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Donald Long.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: (3 years), Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Keith E. Plows, William R. Hunsberger, R. Glenn Rohrbach

BOARD OF PUBLICATION AND PRINTING: Willard E. Cassel, Arthur H. Frable, E. Ray Burger, Gary Sterner

The minutes of the Fourth Meeting were read and approved as read.

The SECOND READING of Legislation concerning the Administrative Budget was adopted:

THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET

The Administrative Budget was initially established by Annual Conference meeting in October 1964. The following summarizes that legislation and changes which have been made subsequently.

I. Preparation of the Budget

At Annual Conference, the Board of Directors shall present a proposed budget covering expected expenses for the conference year that will begin 12 months later. The Budget will include the following expense items:

- A. Publication and Printing
- B. Conference Entertainment
- C. Beneficiary Fund
- D. Ministers' Retirement Fund
- E. Moving Fund
- F. Expenses for Board and Committee Business
- G. Other Expense of Board of Directors
- H. Ministerial Convention
- I. Ministers' Assistance Fund
- J. Health & Welfare Ins. for Pastors & Dependents
- K. Ministerial Candidate Committee Fund for Internships

II. Subscription to the Budget

A. By April 15, following Annual Conference, each church through its delegate, or an alternate officer, shall forward to the Financial Secretary of the Board of Directors his church's pledge of the amount it will contribute toward the proposed budget.

B. At its May meeting, the Board of Directors will review the pledges received for the proposed budget.

C. The Board will distribute to each church a report of the total amount subscribed. This report shall be presented to the Board of Elders of each church.

D. Should the budget be undersubscribed, opportunity will be given to each local church to increase its pledge. Notice of increases should be forwarded to the Financial Secretary by August 15.

E. At its September meeting, the Board of Directors will consider any adjustments to proposed budget expenses that will bring the budget into balance with the total pledged. This recommendation shall be submitted to the Annual Conference as part of their Annual Report.

III. Adoption of the Budget

The recommendation of the Board of Directors will be presented to Annual Conference for approval. Increases in pledges or alterations to budgeted expenses may be proposed prior to adoption.

IV. Payment of Budget Pledges

A. Pledges to meet these budget needs should be considered as binding as any other vow made before the Lord.

B. Payments may be made quarterly or annually in advance. If monthly payment is preferred, one-eleventh of the pledge should be paid each month from October to August of the following year.

C. All payments should be completed by August 31, prior to the next Annual Conference.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH: James A. Beil, Carl C. Cassel, Jansen E. Hartman, Frank L. Herb, Jr., James G. Koch, Horace A. Kauffman, James R. Cressman, Robert W. Gehret, Byron C. Cassel

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE LOCAL CHURCH MINUTES (See page 142)

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE (See page 142)

Report was accepted.

The following legislation concerning Deacons was adopted for SECOND READING:

BOARD OF DEACONS

The Board of Deacons shall be composed of all deacons duly elected by and from the congregation, and who meet the qualifications of the Scriptures. They shall be mature men who demonstrate spiritual wisdom and compassion so that they might serve the needy in a Christ-like and merciful manner. The number of deacons chosen to serve on the Board of Deacons shall be established by the congregation by ballot vote upon the recommendation of the Board of Elders.

The Board of Deacons shall serve under the direction of the Board of Elders and shall elect a chairman and a secretary from among the membership of the Board. The secretary shall be responsible to report the actions of the Deacons to the Board of Elders. Two-thirds of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

The general responsibility of the Deacons is one of sympathetic and benevolent service to the church, the distressed, friendless and sick, showing the mercy and concern of the church for the material and natural needs of others. The Deacons shall assume the responsibility to care for such specific benevolent and material services as directed to them by the Board of Elders.

The function of the Deacons is to see that the material and natural needs of the church constituency are met so that the Elders can give freely of their time and concern to the spiritual needs of the congregation.

Electing and Installing Deacons

Each congregation may elect deacons in keeping with the qualifications set forth in Scripture. Deacons must be male members in full communion in the church in which they are to exercise their office.

The term of office shall be determined by the particular church by congregational vote, but shall not be for less than three years. Where possible, the Board of Deacons shall be divided into not less than three classes as determined by the congregational vote in each of the particular churches.

In the event of a vacancy by death, resignation or removal, one may be elected to fill the unexpired term of office.

In a service of worship, the minister shall state in a concise manner the warrant and nature of the office of deacon together with the Scriptural 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. Do you accept the office of deacon in the congregation and promise faithfully to perform this ministry of service?
3. Do you promise to promote the purity, peace and unity of the church?

After the deacon-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 a deacon?
2. Do you promise to give him all the honor, encouragement and support 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 deacon and shall give to him and to the congregation an exhortation suited to the occasion.

Keith Anderson, missionary candidate to Ecuador, addressed the Conference.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION (3 years), William A. Heffner, Clyde W. Snyder

GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS (3 years), David E. Thomann

Donald D. Reitz requested to be excused from this evening's meeting. This request was granted.

Recessed at 3:05 p.m. Reconvened at 4:10 p.m.

Mr. & Mrs. Sam Thiogarajan addressed the Conference.

RESOLVED: that we suspend the rules and adjourn to meet at 6:30 p.m. Adjourned at 4:20 p.m. with prayer by Bright N. Heist.

Sixth Meeting

Tuesday Evening, October 15, 1974 - 6:30 p.m.

During devotions, the Conference body lustily sang: "The Full Reward" (authored and composed by the late C. H. Brunner, pastor among us for many years); LeRoy S. Heller sang: "Make Me a Captive Lord" and Horace A. Kauffman spoke on "I Love My Pastor."

The minutes of the Fifth Meeting were read and approved as read.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS: (3 years) Paul G. Zimmerman, James R. Cressman; (2 years) Roy Hertzog, Robert Breitegam; (1 year) Austin G. Shelly, R. C. Reichenbach, Paul Truett, Kermit K. Gehman

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE: (3 years) LeRoy S. Heller, James Herrold, Clyde W. Snyder, Warren L. Zimmerman

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH HOME: (2 years) E. W. Bean, John Dunn, Paul G. Zimmerman, Paul H. Cressman (1 year) William A. Heffner

RESOLVED: that we extend the time.

RESOLVED: that we adjourn. Adjourned at 9:05 p.m. with prayer by James G. Koch.

Seventh Meeting

Wednesday morning, October 16, 1974 - 9:00 a.m.

During the devotions the Conference sang "No Other Plea;" Richard Taylor spoke from Luke 9; Bert N. Brosius sang: "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say." The body entered into a season of prayer.

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

RESOLVED: that the order of the day be consideration of Petitions and Recommendations.

The following petition was submitted by the Easton Bible Fellowship Church Board of Elders:

Whereas, the Scriptures nowhere state that a divorced person or one married to a divorced person may not be an Elder,

Resolved; that we petition the Annual Conference convening in October, 1974, to amend Section E - By-Laws for Particular Churches, #5 - Miscellaneous By-Laws, letter i to read, "No person who has been illegitimately divorced or married to an illegitimately divorced person may be a member of the Board of Elders."

RESOLVED: that we grant the petition of Beulah Bible Fellowship Church, Easton, Pa., as a FIRST READING (Resolution was defeated; 2/3 affirmative vote necessary; Yes - 46; No 38).

RESOLVED: that the Chairman appoint a Committee of four ordained ministers and three laymen to reconsider our denomination's definition of illegitimate divorce and standard prohibiting illegitimately divorced people or those married to illegitimately divorced people from holding the office of Elder.

RESOLVED: that we recess to meet at 1:30 p.m. Terris Byrd led in prayer.

Ernest E. Bauer led in prayer after the recess.

Whereas, the Faith & Order of the Bible Fellowship Church mandates that the Ministers' Retirement Fund shall be sustained through the Annual Conference Administrative Budget, and

Whereas, the amount of individual church contributions to

the Annual Conference Administrative Budget is voluntary so as not to burden churches in financial straits, and

Whereas, some of the Bible Fellowship Agencies which would be affected by the legislation of a mandated percentage payment into the Fund for each employee are in similar financial straits, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: that all Bible Fellowship Agencies which employ men fulltime who are members of the Ministers' Retirement Fund be required to make an annual pledge and payment to the Annual Conference Administrative Budget.

RESOLVED: that the above provision become effective immediately.

RESOLVED: that the above two resolutions be our answer to the petition of the Bible Fellowship Church Home.

The following petition from the congregation of the Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church was submitted:

The congregation of the Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church presents the following petition to the Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church, and requests that it be considered at the Annual Conference in session October 14-16, 1974:

Whereas, Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church of Allentown has had difficulties in the past over issues relating to our present Faith & Order, and

Whereas, most, if not all, members of the Official Board believe that various Articles of Faith do not clearly express (without serious loopholes) the position of our local congregation, and

Whereas, a hyper-Calvinist candidate for Pastor was recommended to Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church by the Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church, October 16, 1968, which we believe could have been avoided and should be avoided in the future with a Doctrinal Statement of Faith that presents a better balance between Divine Sovereignty and human freedom, and

Whereas, this hyper-Calvinist candidate (upon the recommendation of the Annual Conference) was accepted as Pastor of Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church and subsequently caused division and many other related problems, and

Whereas, this Pastor stated that his doctrinal position was closer to the Articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church than that of the doctrinal position of the Cedar Crest Church. (And if this is true, we believe that the Ar-

ticles of Faith should be altered so that hyper-Calvinistic individuals cannot subscribe to it); and

Whereas, we believe the balance between Divine Sovereignty and human freedom is inadequately described yet agreed to by many outstanding Calvinists. C. H. Spurgeon, for example states: "Brethren, be willing to see both sides of the shield of truth. Rise above the babyhood which cannot believe two doctrines until it sees the connecting link. Have you not two eyes, man? Must you needs put one of them out in order to see clearly?" and

Whereas, we believe "faith" to be of sufficient importance to merit a more significant place in our Faith & Order, and

Whereas, we, in formulating our By-Laws and local church government in accordance with Annual Conference, have experienced some hesitancy to accept the responsibilities of the position of Elder as expressed in the question, "Are you in basic accord with the Articles of Faith of the Bible Fellowship Church?" therefore,

Resolved; By the Official Board that Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church form a Doctrinal Committee to establish the basic and common ground on which we of Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church can unite our efforts in the work of the Lord. The work of this Committee would be to formulate acceptable alterations and additions to the present Faith & Order (see attached preferred wording as agreed upon by the Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church) and

Resolved; that we of Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church petition Annual Conference to establish a Doctrinal Committee to evaluate possible alterations and additions to the Faith & Order with one of the goals being to improve the balance between Divine Sovereignty and human freedom.

Resolved; that we request a decision concerning this petition from Annual Conference no later than October, 1975.

The Congregation of the Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church approved this Petition on August 7, 1974.

RESOLVED: that we establish a committee to study our doctrinal statement whose duty shall be to examine our statement of the balance between Divine Sovereignty and human responsibility and if necessary to propose possible alterations and additions to the Faith & Order (Yes 70; No 14).

RESOLVED: that the Committee report concerning this

petition no later than October, 1975.

Whereas, the Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church petition to the 91st Annual Conference contains the statement that a particular Pastor was "recommended to the Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church by the Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church," and

Whereas, some agencies of the Bible Fellowship Church have a considerably different interpretation of the events referred to in the statement quoted above, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: that we affirm the right of the Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church to hold to the position which it has taken with respect to this incident, but that we make it clear the Annual Conference does not endorse their interpretation, and be it further

RESOLVED: that we inform our brethren from Cedar Crest that we sympathize with them concerning the difficulties which they have experienced in the past and assure them of our continuing prayers for their spiritual welfare.

The Pastor and Delegate representing Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church wish to assure the 1974 Annual Conference that no malice or ill-will was intended in the content of the petition calling for an evaluation of our Faith & Order. Rather, it was intended to give background to support the reason for their request.

Recessed at 3:05 p.m. Reconvened at 3:25 p.m.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS (See page 143)

Report was accepted.

Statistical Analysis, by Daniel G. Ziegler: The net increase of 174 in membership during the 1973-74 year is the highest increase in 46 years. This is the seventh straight year of increase.

The 468 baptisms is the second highest in our history. The total number of baptisms for 1972, 1973, 1974 which is 1234, is the highest three-year figure we have ever had surpassing the 1931-32-33 total by 59.

A word of caution: the 1234 baptisms for the three years has been balanced by a net increase in membership of only 339, pointing up the importance of encouraging and urging all who profess Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord and follow Him in baptism to further follow His will by being in-

corporated into the membership of His Church on earth.

RESOLVED: that the Committee on Statistics make provision for the reporting of Disbursements for Pinebrook Bible Conference Board and Pinebrook Service Board on the Pastor's Summary Statistical Sheet.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE ANNUAL CONFERENCE MINUTES OF 1973 (See page 145)

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS (See page 145)

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, Jansen E. Hartman has chaired the 91st Session of Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church with proficiency and charity, therefore

RESOLVED: that we express our appreciation to the Chairman for the leadership he supplied.

Whereas, A. L. Seifert has faithfully served the past six years as Director of the Pinebrook Bible Conference and has felt led to pursue other areas of service, therefore

RESOLVED: that we ask God's blessing on Brother Seifert and continue to uphold him in prayer, and further

RESOLVED: that we pledge our prayerful support to the newly-elected Director, David E. Thomann.

Whereas, David J. Watkins, President of Pinebrook Junior College and Carl C. Cassel, Academic Dean of the College continue to display God-given wisdom and direction in the ministry of our school, therefore

RESOLVED: that we ask God to richly bless the President and Dean and to give them continued vision and purpose.

Whereas, the faculty and staff of Pinebrook Junior College have served with loyalty and dedication, therefore

RESOLVED: that we thank God for their commitment to this ministry.

Whereas, Daniel G. Ziegler has exercised great interest

and concern in developing the ministry of Church Extension, therefore,

RESOLVED: that we continue to ask God to bless this ministry and give courage and strength to the Director.

Whereas, F. B. Hertzog has admirably served as Administrator of the Bible Fellowship Church Home, therefore

RESOLVED: that we praise God for our brother's wise and loving leadership and that we express our deep appreciation and prayer support for him, and further

RESOLVED: that we commit ourselves to continued interest in the Home under its Administrators, F. B. Hertzog and James A. Beil.

Whereas, David E. Thomann, General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, has faithfully fulfilled the responsibilities of this office, therefore

RESOLVED: that we thank God for our brother's labors and assure him of our prayers for the future.

Whereas, God has given to us a devoted and loyal missionary family laboring under the care of the Board of Foreign Missions, therefore

RESOLVED: that we praise God for them and their spirit of sacrificial dedication, and further

RESOLVED: that we pledge ourselves to consistent prayer and financial support on their behalf.

Whereas, Editor-Publisher Willard E. Cassel and Business Manager R. C. Reichenbach have once again demonstrated a diligent spirit in their preparation and circulation of FELLOWSHIP NEWS, therefore

RESOLVED: that we assure them of our deep appreciation for their labors.

Whereas, Robert W. Gehret, Conference Treasurer; James R. Cressman, Health and Welfare Secretary and Horace A. Kauffman, Financial Secretary, have sacrificially met their responsibilities, therefore

RESOLVED: that we express to them our thanks for their services during the past year.

Whereas, James A. Beil has diligently served as Secretary of the 91st session of Annual Conference, and

Whereas, Willard E. Cassel has ably assisted the Secretary and

Whereas, Harold C. Weaber has faithfully carried out the tedious job of Recording Secretary, therefore

RESOLVED: that we thank these brethren for their service and that each of them be given a token gift of \$25.00 from the Board of Publication and Printing.

Whereas, the Lord has been pleased to bless our church with an unprecedented increase in the number of baptisms and members, therefore

RESOLVED: that we praise God for these evidences of His blessing on the Bible Fellowship Church ministry.

Whereas, there are a number of pulpit vacancies in our denominational churches, therefore

RESOLVED: that we beseech God to raise up men of His choice to stand in the gap, and further

RESOLVED: that we pray for an outpouring of the Spirit of the living God on our pastors and the churches to which they will minister this coming year.

Whereas, God has blessed the labors of the ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church; as they have faithfully served the Lord and His Church this past year, therefore

RESOLVED: that we thank God for these servants of Christ and that we uphold them in continual prayer.

Whereas, God has blessed the 91st session of Annual Conference with delegates from each of the churches, and

Whereas, these men have graciously given of their time and spiritual concern at the Conference, therefore

RESOLVED: that we thank God for these servants.

Whereas, the 91st Annual Conference has been most graciously entertained by the Pinebrook Staff and other volunteers, therefore

RESOLVED: that we express our appreciation to them with a rising vote of thanks at the evening meal on Wednesday.

Whereas, because of physical limitations, C. E. Kirkwood has felt led of the Lord to tender his resignation after many years of outstanding service to the Bible Fellowship Church, therefore

RESOLVED: that we pray the Lord's guidance upon him and his ministry-in-retirement and further

RESOLVED: that we request his pastor to present to him at a local service a Bible containing the signatures of the members of this Annual Conference.

RESOLVED: that the 92nd Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church convene at Pinebrook on October 13, 1975 at 10:00 a.m.

RESOLVED: that the following become part of the Standing Rules:

1. Yearbooks shall be ordered and paid for at the Annual Conference. Payment shall be made to the Board of Publication and Printing.

2. All monies which are due to Conference Boards and Committees shall be forwarded to them prior to August 31 of the year in which they are to be reported.

Robert W. Smock, Paul G. Zimmerman, David L. Branning, Carl K. Spackman, William R. Hunsberger, James G. Koch, L. James Roberts, Jr., COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDITING (See page 145)

Report was accepted.

The following were elected:

BOARD OF VICTORY VALLEY: (3 years) Arthur H. Frable, John H. Herb, Robert L. Draper

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE ANNUAL CONFERENCE MINUTES OF 1972 (Corrections appear in certified copies).

The Budget of Pinebrook Junior College proposed for year beginning, July 1, 1974 was presented for information.

The following Budget was approved:

ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET APPROVED FOR 1974-75
COMPARED WITH BUDGET APPROVED FOR 1973-74

	Approved for 1973-74	Approved for 1974-75
1. Publication & Printing	2,000.00	2,500.00
2. Conference Entertainment	2,400.00	2,500.00
3. Beneficiary Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00
4. Min. Retirement Fund	9,500.00	10,000.00
5. Moving Fund	1,000.00	2,700.00
6. Exp. for Bds. & Com. while trans. A.C. bus.	2,250.00	2,250.00
7. Other exp. Brd. of Dir.	450.00	300.00
8. Min. Convention Exp.	450.00	500.00
9. Ministers' Assistance Fund	100.00	100.00
10. Health & Welfare Insurance for Pastors & Dependents	19,718.32	20,148.48
11. For use by M.C.C. for Internships	250.00	150.00
12. Contingencies	<u>1,080.16</u>	<u>(120.52)</u>
TOTALS	40,198.48	42,027.96

RESOLVED: that the travelling expenses for all official Church business shall be 12¢ per mile, effective, October 1, 1975.

The following budget was presented:

ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET PROPOSED FOR 1975-76
COMPARED WITH BUDGET APPROVED FOR 1974-75

	Approved for 1974-75	Proposed for 1975-76
1. Publication & Printing	2,500.00	2,500.00
2. Conference Entertainment	2,500.00	2,500.00
3. Beneficiary Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00
4. Min. Retirement Fund	10,000.00	10,500.00
5. Moving Fund	2,700.00	5,250.00
6. Exp. for Bds. & Com. while trans. A.C. Bus.	2,250.00	3,000.00
7. Other exp. Brd. of Dir.	300.00	400.00
8. Min. Conv. Expenses	500.00	500.00
9. Min. Assistance Fund	100.00	500.00
10. Health & Welfare Insurance for Pastors & Dependents	20,148.48	20,600.00
11. For use by M.C.C. for		

Internships	150.00	250.00
12. Contingencies	<u>(120.52)</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
TOTALS	42,027.96	48,000.00

RESOLVED: that we extend the time.

RESOLVED: that we suspend the rules and recess to meet at 6:30 p.m. Recessed at 5:14 p.m. in prayer by Paul G. Zimmerman.

Reconvened at 6:40 p.m.

During devotions the Conference sang "Praise the Saviour;" Daniel G. Ziegler sang: "Jesus, Where're Thy People Meet." Robert L. Draper spoke on the topic: "I Love My People."

Recessed at 8:25 p.m. Reconvened at 8:50 p.m.

RESOLVED: that we suspend the rules and extend the time.

Whereas, the Board of Church Extension has asked for a revision of Article IX of our Moral Standards, therefore

RESOLVED: that Article IX read as follows: (FIRST READING)

Alcoholic Drinks: Since the use of alcoholic drink is the cause of incalculable misery in the world, the evil influences of which are enormous in their effects upon society at large, no person shall be permitted to become a member of the Bible Fellowship Church who makes such drinks, deals in them, or uses them as a beverage. Any member who does so shall be brought under the discipline of the Church. All members of our denomination should use their influence against this evil.

R. Glenn Rohrbach, John I. Mengel, L. Donald Miller, Robert Weaver asked to be excused from Thursday morning meeting.

RESOLVED: that these requests be granted.

RESOLVED: that we adjourn. Adjourned at 9:40 p.m. with prayer by Harold L. Snyder, Jr.

Eighth Meeting

Thursday morning, October 17, 1974 - 9:00 a.m.

During devotions, the Conference sang, "Oh, to Be Like Thee;" Dana Weller spoke from Nehemiah 6; the Pastors' Quartet sang and the body entered into a season of prayer.

Edward Stortz led in prayer at the opening of the business session.

The minutes were read and approved as corrected.

RESOLVED: that part d, of the Faith & Order Questionnaire as it appears in the Faith & Order on page 77, be changed to read:

d. If you desire to retain credentials with the Bible Fellowship Church this questionnaire must be returned by September 1. Failure to do so may result in your credentials being withdrawn. (SECOND READING)

Whereas, the Ministerial Candidate Committee has recommended Bernard N. Coble, Roger Reitz and Dana Weller for ordination, and Donald D. Reitz for recognition of his ordination, and

Whereas, each of these brethren has served acceptably as a Pastor of a Bible Fellowship Church for several years, and

Whereas, after examination, we believe each of them to be called of God to the Gospel ministry and to be in accord with the Faith & Order of the Bible Fellowship Church, therefore

RESOLVED: that Bernard N. Coble, Roger Reitz and Dana Weller be ordained at a service of ordination to be held in Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church, Bethlehem, Pa. on November 21, 1974, 8:00 p.m. and that the ordination of Donald D. Reitz be recognized at this same service.

RESOLVED: that the following legislation be adopted for FIRST READING:

Categories of Ministry

All ordained men who hold Ordination Credentials with the Bible Fellowship Church subscribe annually to the Faith & Order.

The categories of ministry are as follows:

I. Ordained Ministers working under the Direction of the Bible Fellowship Church.

II. Ordained Ministers working under the Direction of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Bible Fellowship Church.

III. Ordained Ministers working with other Organizations
(See Article IX, p. 27 - Faith & Order)

IV. Ordained Ministers on Leave of Absence

1. An ordained minister, who for personal reasons, resigns from an active ministry of the Bible Fellowship Church may be granted this classification by the Credentials Committee.

2. An ordained minister having resigned from his active ministry and having accepted no other ministry with the Bible Fellowship Church within one year may be classified under this category.

3. This classification shall be reviewed annually by the Credentials Committee.

V. Ordained Ministers in Retirement

1. These men draw retirement benefits from the Bible Fellowship Church.

The following men are eligible to serve in the Bible Fellowship Church:

I. Ordained Ministers Working Under the Direction of the Bible Fellowship Church

Bean, E. W.
Beil, James A.
Branning, David L.
Brosius, Bert N.
Byrd, Terris L.
Cassel, Carl C.
Cassel, Willard E.
Coble, Bernard N.
Draper, Robert L.
Dunn, John
Ellingson, Bruce A.
Frable, Arthur H.
Fritz, Harvey J. Jr.,
Hartman, Jansen E.
Hartman, W.W.
Hertzog, Roy
Heffner, William A.
Heller, LeRoy S.

Herb, Frank L., Jr.
Herb, George E.
Herb, John H.
Johnson, Robert F.
Knauer, Donald R.
Koch, James G.
Mahurin, Ronald C.
Minnig, Robert A.
Mull, William W.
Plows, Keith E.
Reitz, Donald D.
Reitz, Roger
Reichenbach, R. C.
Riggall, John H.
Shelly, Austin G.
Smock, Robert W.
Spackman, Carl K.
Thomann, David E.

Watkins, David J.
 Weaber, Harold C.
 Weller, Dana E.

Wilcox, LeRoy C.
 Ziegler, Daniel G.
 Zimmerman, Paul G.

II. Ordained Missionaries

Bigley, James
 Butler, Brian H.
 Buck, Leonard E.
 Gehman, Richard J.

Gordon, Robert
 Harley, J. Barclay
 Moyer, Edward
 Stengele, Laird F.

III. Ordained Ministers Working with Other Organizations

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

Schaeffer, Donald B.
 Yarrington, Harold D.

IV. Ordained Ministers on Leave of Absence

Kirkwood, Donald T.

Seifert, A. L.

V. Ordained Ministers in Retirement

Baer, Paul E.
 Heffner, W. F.
 Hertzog, F. B.
 Miller, C. Leslie

Kirkwood, C. E.
 Rutman, E. J.
 Wolf, N. H.

VI. Probationers Working Under the Direction of the Bible Fellowship Church

Bartron, William H.
 Dodge, Dennis
 Manney, David
 Phillips, D. Thomas

Taylor, Richard
 Vandegriff, John
 Yoder, Keith L.

RESOLVED: that at FIRST READING the words Ministerial Relations Committee be substituted for Credentials Committee in Article XIV, A, #3, 'd' of the Principles of Order.

The following were elected:

PINEBROOK BIBLE CONFERENCE BOARD: (3 years)
 Frank L. Herb, Jr., Norman W. Granda

PINEBROOK SERVICE BOARD: Robert Breitegam, George E. Herb, Donald Matz, Gerald Schlonecker, Sterling Baer, L. James Roberts, Paul Clymer

RESOLVED: that we extend the time.

The following were elected:

Chairman of the 92nd Annual Conference: Carl C. Cassel
 Vice-Chairman of Annual Conference: Frank L. Herb, Jr.
 Secretary of Annual Conference: James A. Beil

RESOLVED: that we adjourn. Adjourned at 12:24 p.m. with prayer by Roy Hertzog.

Ninth Meeting

Thursday Afternoon, October 17, 1974 - 1:30 p.m.

Robert F. Johnson led in prayer.

The minutes of the 8th Meeting were read and approved as corrected.

The following were elected:

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: James A. Beil, John Dunn, Robert F. Johnson, James G. Koch, Norman W. Granda, Norman L. Reed, William R. Hunsberger.

Whereas, the Scriptures instruct us that men who minister the Word are entitled to and worthy of the financial support of the Lord's people, and

Whereas, such support should be adequate to provide for the man of God and his family, and

Whereas, we are presently in a period of inflated and rapidly rising living costs, and

Whereas, each church should recognize its obligation to do all it can to be sure that the income it provides for its pastor increases with the cost, and

Whereas, the Ministerial Relations Committee has suggested that such increases should be at least 7% for the 1974-75 Conference year, therefore,

RESOLVED: that we strongly encourage each church to strive to provide for its pastor a salary that is at least equal to the average gross income of its constituent households, and further

RESOLVED: that we encourage each church to increase its pastor's salary for 1974-75 to at least 7% above the pre-

vious year's salary and further

RESOLVED: that it is the sense of this Conference that the minimum salary adequate for a pastor serving a Bible Fellowship Church, including supplemental benefits, should be \$7,500.00 for the 1974-75 year.

RESOLVED: that the following Budget be adopted:

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR CHURCH EXTENSION - 1975-76

Receipts:

Churches	57,000.	
Interest	2,500.	
Special Gifts	<u>5,200.</u>	64,700.

Expenditures:

Appropriations:

Existing Missions	20,500.	
Two New Missions	16,600. *	
PISCES	2,400.	
Team	<u>1,200.</u>	40,700.

Administration:

Director's Salary	8,000.	
Director's Sup. Benefits	1,450.	
Parsonage	3,700.	
Travel & Meals	2,775.	
Office Expenses	2,000.	
Board Expenses	650.	
Con. Administrative Budget	125.	
Workmen's Compensation	250.	
Fellowship News Assess.	<u>50.</u>	19,000.

Reserves:

Capital Fund	4,000.	
Contingencies	<u>1,000.</u>	<u>5,000.</u>

Total Expenditures 64,700.

* Includes moving expenses for two families.

The following Committees were appointed by the Chair and approved by the Conference:

TO STUDY THE PROBLEM OF DIVORCE: Paul G. Zimmerman, Robert A. Minnig, Keith E. Plows, William A. Heffner, R. Glenn Rohrbach, William R. Hunsberger, Donald T. Kirkwood, LeRoy C. Wilcox

RESOLVED: that the following men who are under the care of the Ministerial Candidate Committee be accepted:

PROBATIONERS:

William H. Bartron, Belvidere, N. J.
 Dennis Dodge, Staten Island, N. Y.
 David Manney, Ecuador, S. A.
 D. Thomas Phillips, Finesville, N. J.
 Richard Taylor, Spring City, Pa.
 John Vandegriff, Reading, Pa.
 Keith L. Yoder, Philadelphia, Pa.

CANDIDATES:

Kenneth Good, Lehighton, Pa.
 William Graybill, Paradise, Pa.
 Charles Kramer, Spring City, Pa.
 Jonathan Reynolds, Zionsville, Pa.
 Thomas Rodway, Elysburg, Pa.
 Thomas Shorb, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Richard Schmoyer, Allentown, Pa.
 Robert Ulrich, Tallman, N. Y.

APPLICANTS:

Frank DeJuana, Staten Island, N. Y.
 John Grady, Denville, N. J.
 Thomas Heimer, Nazareth, Pa.
 Kenneth Keeler, Morwood, Pa.
 Rodney Long, Elysburg, Pa.
 Robert Lundeen, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Richard Rohrer, Perkasio, Pa.
 Jeffrey Stickler, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Robert Smith, Coopersburg, Pa.
 R. George Snyder, Orefield, Pa.
 David A. Thomann, Stroudsburg, Pa.
 James Wickstead, Hatfield, Pa.
 Harold Wittig, Ramsey, N. J.

RESOLVED: that each church make a contribution to Pinebrook Bible Conference. Checks should be made payable to Pinebrook Bible Conference. (FIRST READING)

RESOLVED: that the following duties of the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board be listed in the Bible Fellowship Church Faith & Order: (FIRST READING)

1. It shall provide a year round program for the proclamation of the Gospel.

2. It shall have the oversight of the spiritual ministry of all conferences and convocations planned throughout the year.
3. It shall elect annually the Pinebrook Conference Director. The Director shall be the executive and administrative officer of the Pinebrook Conference Program.
4. It shall be responsible for promoting its ministry and program.
5. It shall apply to the Service Board for the facilities needed to execute the program they have developed.
6. It shall review the adequacy of existing facilities and make recommendations to the Service Board for improvements and additions.
7. It shall promote the use of our facilities by evangelical groups in order to have the facilities occupied as close to capacity as possible throughout the year.
8. It shall submit a written report to Annual Conference.

The following Committee appointments were made by the Chair and approved by the Conference:

AGENDA: James A. Beil, Willard E. Cassel, Harold C. Weaber

COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE ANNUAL CONFERENCE MINUTES: Robert A. Minnig, Harold E. Snyder

COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS: John Dunn, Willard E. Cassel, LeRoy S. Heller, Paul G. Zimmerman, Donald R. Knauer

RESOLVED: that the Service Board members be elected for a term of 3 years in classes as follows: (FIRST READING)

- I. Three men for 3 years
- II. Two men for 2 years
- III. Two men for 1 year

Thereafter each class shall be elected for three years.

RESOLVED: that each church make a contribution to the Pinebrook Service Board.

RESOLVED: that the QUALIFICATIONS & DUTIES OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP be adopted at SECOND READING:

QUALIFICATIONS AND DUTIES OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Anyone desiring to be a member of the Bible Fellowship Church shall give testimony and evidence of faith in Christ and the new birth. He shall be in sympathy with the FAITH & ORDER, be baptized by immersion subsequent to salvation and manifest holiness toward God and separation from the world (Acts 2:41-47).

Duties: Commitment to Christ and the Bible Fellowship Church shall be manifest by the joyful acceptance of the following responsibilities:

1. To live in keeping with the doctrines and standards of the church as found in the FAITH & ORDER (John 17:15-17; I Cor. 5:6-11; 6:14-18; Eph. 5:26,27; Titus 3:10; James 1:26, 27; II John 9,10).
2. To exercise willingly his spiritual gifts within the body (Eph. 4:11-16; I Cor. 12:4-31; Romans 12:3-8).
3. To minister under the direction of the church (Acts 20:28; Heb. 13:7; I Peter 5:2,3; I Tim. 3:1; 5:17).
4. To bear the message of the church to the outside world (Matthew 28:19,20; Acts 1:8; Matthew 5:13-16).
5. To pray daily for the pastor and the ministries of the church (Romans 10:1; Matt. 9:28; Acts 4:29; Eph. 6:18,19; Acts 13:2-4).
6. To support the program of the church financially with the regular giving of tithes and offerings (Mal. 3:10; I Cor. 9:13,14; 16:1,2; II Cor. 8:7-9; 9:6,7).
7. To submit to those God has ordained as rulers in the church (Heb. 13:17, cf. also references under #3 above).
8. To attend faithfully the stated meetings of the church (Acts 2:42; Heb. 10:25).
9. To observe the Lord's Supper (I Cor. 11:23-28).
10. To demonstrate mutual care and concern for the other members of the church (John 13:34,35; 15:12,17; Gal. 6:1,

2, 10; James 5:9,16).

RESOLVED: that Section C (Narcotics) in the article on Harmful Indulgences in the FAITH & ORDER be revised at FIRST READING to read as follows:

Narcotics and dangerous drugs: Recognizing the dangers of the use of narcotics and other dangerous drugs, we solemnly warn and admonish our people to have no part with the illegal use of or traffic in them. The only legitimate use of narcotic and dangerous drugs is when they are prescribed by competent physicians. In all other instances our every influence should be exerted against this growing evil of drug abuse (Rom. 6:16; I Cor. 6:19,20).

The following were appointed by the Chair and approved by Conference:

COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM FOR 1975 ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., William W. Mull, David E. Thomann, Carl C. Cassel.

RESOLVED: that the Chairman appoint a Committee of 6 ordained ministers to study the doctrinal problem defined in the answer to the Cedar Crest petition.

RESOLVED: that Jansen E. Hartman be a member of this Committee.

The following were appointed by the Chair to serve on the doctrinal study Committee. They were approved by the Conference: Roy Hertzog, Carl C. Cassel, John H. Herb, Daniel G. Ziegler, Robert W. Smock, Jansen E. Hartman

RESOLVED: that we adjourn. Adjourned at 3:10 p.m. with prayer by Carl C. Cassel.

REPORTS

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM

Monday, October 14, 1974

10:30 a.m. Solo: Carl C. Cassel

Keynote Address: Jansen E. Hartman (Followed by the observance of the Lord's Supper. Jansen E. Hartman in charge.)

Tuesday, October 15, 1974

9:00 a.m. Music: Pastors' Quartet

Devotions: Keith L. Yoder

6:30-7:15 p.m.

Music: LeRoy S. Heller (solo)

Message: Horace A. Kauffman: "I Love My Pastor"

Wednesday, October 16, 1974

9:00 a.m. Music: Bert N. Brosius (solo)

Devotions: Richard Taylor

6:30-7:15 p.m.

Music: Daniel G. Ziegler (solo)

Message: Robert L. Draper: "I Love My People"

Thursday, October 17, 1974

9:00 a.m. Music: Pastors' Quartet

Devotions: Dana Weller

Song Leader for all morning sessions: LeRoy S. Heller

Pianist for all morning sessions: David E. Thomann

Song Leader for evening sessions: William A. Heffner

Pianist for evening sessions: Keith E. Plows

Morning Session Format:

Congregational Hymn

Ministry in Music

Devotions (10 minutes)

Prayer Sessions (15 minutes) - Jansen E. Hartman in charge

Frank L. Herb, Jr., Chairman; Robert W. Smock, Secretary;
Ronald C. Mahurin, COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

"How then shall they call upon Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him in whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? Just as it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring glad tidings of good things.' "

There were times when the Committee, had it been setting the schedule, would have arranged things differently. But the Committee wishes above all else, to be led by the Spirit. We believe God has been providing for the needs of our Churches.

Resignations from pastorates during the past year were as follows:

Church	Pastor	Effective Date
Lehighton	Terry Tareila	10/31/73
Wallingford	C. E. Kirkwood	6/30/74
Nazareth	James A. Beil	9/1/74
Harleysville	David E. Thomann	9/15/74
Staten Island	Dennis Dodge	9/30/74
Walnutport	David L. Branning	9/30/74
Mount Carmel	Paul G. Zimmerman	11/15/74
Shamokin	Harold C. Weaber	Not fixed

By the application of our pulpit supply procedures, the following calls issued by our churches for a pastor were successfully completed:

Church	Pastor	Effective Date
Spring City	Richard Taylor	10/7/73
Coopersburg	Donald D. Reitz	3/4/74
Lehighton	# Kenneth Good	6/9/74
Reading	* John Vandegriff	10/1/74
Wallingford	David L. Branning	10/1/74
Nazareth	Paul G. Zimmerman	11/15/74

Approved as a supply pastor

* Pastor Vandegriff, by the application of our pulpit supply procedure, was called as a second pastor of Grace Bible Fellowship Church, Reading, Pa.

As of September 30, 1974, the following churches are seeking

pastors:

Church	Date of Vacancy
Harleysville	9/15/74
Walnutport	9/15/74
Staten Island	9/30/74
Mt. Carmel	11/15/74
Shamokin	Not fixed

Following is a list of men who are without assignment under Annual Conference and are willing to work as pastor of a Bible Fellowship Church:

Alva C. Cassel	Charles Kramer
Dennis Dodge	Richard Schmoyer
William Graybill	Robert Ulrich
Donald T. Kirkwood	Harold C. Weaver

Listing these men in the preceding table does not imply in anyway that men not listed have been excluded from the list of men eligible to serve as pastor of a Bible Fellowship Church.

Generally speaking, the Committee believes the needs of our churches for a good relationship between pastor and people are being met by our pulpit supply procedures. The Committee urges each delegate whose church is seeking a pastor to read carefully and to be sure that his Board of Elders understands all of the rules and that the rules are being followed, giving special attention to:

1. The duty of each church without a pastor actively to be seeking a pastor. Faith & Order, Article XIV, Section A. Paragraph 3 (a).
2. The normal process for dissolving a pastoral relationship is for the pastor to submit his resignation.
3. Men eligible for a call are named on the list of men who are eligible to work as pastors of a Bible Fellowship Church issued by the Credentials Committee.

For the guidance of the pastor, we also suggest that he review again Faith & Order, Article XIV, Section C, Paragraph 3(a).

It is the recommendation of the Ministerial Relations Committee that the minimum salary for each pastor serving a

church be set at \$7,490, effective October 1, 1974. This will include his cash salary, plus all fringe benefits. Each church was informed by letter dated June 17, 1974, of the Committee's intention to make this recommendation.

Jansen E. Hartman, John H. Riggall, John L. Deily, Ronald C. Mahurin, Horace A. Kauffman, William A. Heffner, Byron C. Cassel, COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

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

The Faith & Order Questionnaire was sent to each of the ministers holding Credentials with the Bible Fellowship Church. All of the brethren signed and returned it, having answered in the affirmative except as follows:

1. Two Questionnaires were not received as of September 12, 1974. This will be dealt with by the Committee.

Arlington L. Seifert requested an indefinite leave of absence from ministry in the Bible Fellowship Church.

The Credentials Committee granted this request.

Alva C. Cassel requested that his name be replaced on the availability list. The Credentials Committee granted this request and informed the Ministerial Relations Committee of his availability.

Whereas, the Ministerial Candidate Committee has recommended Bernard N. Coble, Roger Reitz and Dana Weller for ordination, and Donald Reitz for recognition of his ordination, and

Whereas, each of these brethren have served acceptably as pastors of Bible Fellowship Churches for several years, and,

Whereas, after examination, we believe each of them to be called of God to the Gospel ministry and to be in accord with the Faith & Order of the Bible Fellowship Church, therefore,

RESOLVED: that we recommend to the 91st Annual Conference that Bernard N. Coble, Roger Reitz and Dana Weller be ordained at a service of ordination to be held in Ebenezer

Bible Fellowship Church, Bethlehem, Pa. in November, 1974, and that the ordination of Donald Reitz be recognized at this same service. (Date and time to be announced).

The Credentials Committee shall be in charge of this service.

The Credentials Committee recommended that \$2,000 be contributed to the "Ministers' Equalization Fund" from the "Ministers' Assistance Fund."

We recommend that the following legislation be adopted for second reading:

RESOLVED: that part 'd,' of the Faith & Order Questionnaire as it appears in the Faith & Order on page 77, be changed to read:

d. If you desire to retain credentials with the Bible Fellowship Church this Questionnaire must be returned by September 1. Failure to do so may result in your credentials being withdrawn.

We recommend that the following legislation be adopted for first reading.

CATEGORIES OF MINISTRY

All ordained Ministers and Ordained Missionaries hold Credentials with the Bible Fellowship Church and subscribe annually to the Faith & Order. The categories of Ministry are as follows:

- I. Ordained Ministers Working Under the Direction of the Bible Fellowship Church
- II. Ordained Missionaries
 1. These men work under the direction of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Bible Fellowship Church
- III. Ordained Ministers Working with Other Organizations
(See Article XI, p. 27 - Faith & Order)
- IV. Ordained Ministers on Leave of Absence
 1. Any man who for personal reasons resigns from an active ministry of the Bible Fellowship Church may be granted this classification by the Credentials Committee.
 2. Any man having resigned from his active ministry and having accepted no other ministry with the Bible Fellowship Church within one year shall be classified under this category.

3. This classification shall be reviewed annually by the Credentials Committee

V. Ordained Ministers in Retirement

1. These men draw retirement benefits from the Bible Fellowship Church.

We recommend that the Ministerial Relations Committee produce and circulate the Eligibility List. Both the Ministerial Candidate Committee and Credentials Committee shall inform the Ministerial Relations Committee of their respective eligible men (This would be a change in the Faith & Order, page 32, part d).

The following men are eligible to serve in the Bible Fellowship Church:

I. Ordained Ministers Working Under the Direction of the Bible Fellowship Church:

Bean, E. W.	Johnson, Robert F.
Beil, James A.	Knauer, Donald R.
Branning, David L.	Koch, James G.
Brosius, Bert N.	Mahurin, Ronald C.
Byrd, Terris L.	Minnig, Robert A.
Cassel, Carl C.	Mull, William W.
Cassel, Willard E.	Plows, Keith E.
Coble, Bernard N. *	Reitz, Donald D. *
Draper, Robert L.	Reitz, Roger *
Dunn, John	Reichenbach, R. C.
Ellingson, Bruce A.	Riggall, John H.
Frable, Arthur H.	Shelly, Austin G.
Fritz, Harvey J., Jr.	Smock, Robert W.
Hartman, Jansen E.	Spackman, Carl K.
Hartman, W. W.	Thomann, David E.
Hertzog, Roy	Watkins, David J.
Heffner, William A.	Weaber, Harold C.
Heller, LeRoy S.	Weller, Dana E. *
Herb, Frank L., Jr.	Wilcox, LeRoy C.
Herb, George E.	Ziegler, Daniel G.
Herb, John H.	Zimmerman, Paul G.

II. Ordained Missionaries

Bigley, James	Gordon, Robert
Butler, Brian H.	Harley, J. Barclay
Buck, Leonard	Moyer, Edward
Gehman, Richard J.	Stengele, Laird F.

III. Ordained Ministers Working with Other Organizations

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

IV. Ordained Ministers on Leave of Absence

Kirkwood, Donald T.	Seifert, A. L.
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V. Ordained Ministers in Retirement

Baer, Paul E.	Kirkwood, C. E.
Heffner, W. F.	Rutman, E. J.
Hertzog, F. B.	Wolf, N. H.

VI. Probationers Working Under the Direction of the Bible Fellowship Church

Bartron, William H.	
Dodge, Dennis	Taylor, Richard
Manney, David	Vandegriff, John
Phillips, D. Thomas	Yoder, Keith L.

* Contingent upon approval of recommendation for their ordination in this report.

John H. Riggall, Chairman, Frank L. Herb, Jr., Secretary, Willard E. Cassel, Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Keith E. Plows, COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL CANDIDATE COMMITTEE

The Ministerial Candidate Committee met on nine occasions during the year to accomplish the work committed to it. Several interviews were conducted with men interested in serving in the Bible Fellowship Church. A number of men have been approved to serve in the pastorate of this church.

The Ministerial Candidate Committee shall conduct a seminar on pastoral theology during the next year at Pinebrook Junior College.

Bernard N. Coble, D. Thomas Phillips, Roger Reitz and Dana Weller were recommended to the Credentials Committee for an examination relative to ordination.

Donald Reitz was recommended to the Credentials Committee

for recognition of his ordination credentials.

The Committee recommends the acceptance of the following men who are under its care:

PROBATIONERS:

William Bartron, Belvidere, N. J.
 Dennis Dodge, Staten Island, N. Y.
 David Manney, Ecuador, S. A.
 Richard Taylor, Spring City, Pa.
 John Vandegriff, Englishtown, N. J.
 Keith L. Yoder, Philadelphia

CANDIDATES:

Kenneth Good, Lehighton, Pa.
 William Graybill, Paradise, Pa.
 Charles Kramer, Spring City, Pa.
 Jonathan Reynolds, Zionsville, Pa.
 Thomas Rodway, Elysburg, Pa.
 Thomas Shorb, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Richard Schmoyer, Allentown, Pa.
 Robert Ulrich, Tallman, N. Y.

APPLICANTS:

Frank DeJuana, Staten Island, N. Y.
 John Grady, Denville, N. J.
 Thomas Heimer, Nazareth, Pa.
 Kenneth Keeler, Morwood, Pa.
 Rodney Long, Elysburg, Pa.
 Robert Lundeen, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Richard Rohrer, Perkasio, Pa.
 Jeffrey Stickler, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Robert Smith, Coopersburg, Pa.
 R. George Snyder, Orefield, Pa.
 David A. Thomann, Stroudsburg, Pa.
 James Wickstead, Hatfield, Pa.
 Harold Wittig, Ramsey, N. J.

James A. Beil, Chairman; Robert F. Johnson, Secretary,
 Carl C. Cassel, David E. Thomann, David J. Watkins, COM-
 MITTEE

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER

Board of Directors (General Fund)

Balance, 9/30/73	4,473.86
Receipts	47,538.72
Disbursements	44,764.18
Balance, 9/30/74	7,248.40

Moving Fund

Balance, 9/30/73	847.36
Receipts	1,000.00
Disbursements	673.50
Balance, 9/30/74	1,173.86

Fund to Promote Church Extension

Balance, 9/30/73	16,231.07
Receipts	5,669.36
Disbursements	1,781.67
Balance, 9/30/74	20,118.76

Amortization Fund of the Indebtedness
for above Fund

Balance, 9/30/73	3,000.00
Receipts	3,000.00
Disbursements	-----
Balance, 9/30/74	6,000.00

Pinebrook Fund

Balance, 9/30/73	15,776.00
Receipts	39,893.93
Disbursements	17,858.93
Balance, 9/30/74	37,811.00

Ministers' Retirement Fund:Farmers First Bank

Balance, 9/30/74	63,614.75
Receipts	28,116.40
Disbursements	49,369.78
Balance, 9/30/74	42,361.37

Red Hill Savings & Loan

Balance 9/30/73	5,806.02
Receipts	934.76
Disbursements	-----
Balance, 9/30/74	6,740.78

Pastors' Assistance Fund

Balance, 9/30/73	3,004.76
Receipts	1,600.00
Disbursements	2,200.00
Balance, 9/30/74	2,404.76

Ministerial Candidate Committee
Internship Program

Balance, 9/30/73	2,000.00
Receipts	250.00
Disbursements	-----
Balance, 9/30/74	2,250.00

Victory Valley

Balance, 9/30/73	2,445.98
Receipts	8,028.33
Disbursement	10,469.45
Balance, 9/30/74	4.86

TOTALS

Balance, 9/30/73	117,199.80
Receipts	136,031.50
Disbursements	127,117.51
Balance, 9/30/74	126,113.79

The balance of the above funds is on deposit in a checking account with the First National Bank of Allentown; Red Hill Savings and Loan Association and the Farmers First Bank.

The books and this report have been audited by Walter A. Davis.

Robert W. Gehret, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Since one of the primary functions of an elected Board is to meet, the Board of Christian Education met four times during the Conference year. Keenly aware of the manifold implications of Christian Education at the denominational as well as the local level, the Board earnestly solicits the prayers of God's people in the Bible Fellowship Church.

Of course a major portion of the Board's work and time consists of planning, executing and evaluating the programs conducted under its sponsorship during the year. However, it

has also attempted from time to time, to grapple with the possibilities of new, creative approaches to our programming, to consider areas of responsibilities where we provide no significant denominational help. Further to this, the Board would heartily welcome suggestions from our broader constituency as to better, or new, or more effective ways that our churches might do their thing together in Christian Education. Equally, let us know where we might be carrying excess baggage in programming. Now we occasionally say this (once a year), but couldn't we have some thoughtful feedback at times?

The Annual Thanksgiving Youth Rally was conducted by the Black Truth, a group of young singers and speakers from Newark, N. J., at Reading, with a very good attendance. New formats for this Rally were discussed, with no decision.

Pastor LeRoy S. Heller was sent by this Board to Urbana '73 Missionary Convention. Pastor Heller brought back an enthusiastic report. Young people from various B. F. Churches attended Urbana '73.

Sno-Glo retreats were again conducted at Pinebrook the first two weekends of 1974. Near capacity groups of campers heard speakers Ronald C. Mahurin and A. Brandt Reed. Gratifying reports of the working of the Holy Spirit among the youth were reported from Graterford, Freehold, Lebanon and Sunbury, including a lasting work in the daughter of the Secretary of this Board.

The Christian Education Convention was held April 27, at our Graterford Church, with the Youth Section at Schwenksville. Keynote speakers were William Knudson (adult) and Jack Largent (youth). Attendance at the adult section was about 250, about on par with 1973. The Board expressed disappointment that more of our churches were not represented. Is the problem insufficient loyalty to our cooperative programs, lack of support by incoming pastors, over exposure to S. S. Conventions? You can help!

Rather impromptu, but successful, basketball tournament was held under the leadership of Emmaus laymen. While Pinebrook Week reported only sixty-four in attendance with but thirteen from Bible Fellowship Churches, some very favorable comments were submitted by the young people on what Pinebrook meant to them. The speaker was Ron Conover of Toms River, N. J.

This Board wishes to serve all our churches, asks, if not

begs, for suggestions and prays that God will mightily use all of our churches together in the year before us.

FINANCIAL REPORT

(September 20, 1973 - September 3, 1974)

Balance, 9/20/73	1,346.17
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RECEIPTS:

Contributions from churches	1,550.00	
Studies in Bib. Doctrine sales	39.00	
1973 Superintendents' Retreat	108.00	
Thanksgiving Rally	168.09	
Sno Glo Retreats	4,050.50	
Christian Ed. Conv. Offering	165.30	
Audio Visual Library	17.00	
Basketball Tournament	20.00	<u>6,117.89</u>
		7,464.06

EXPENDITURES:

Board expenses (mileage, meals, phone, postage)	692.19	
Audio Visual Library	81.89	
1973 Superintendents' Retreat	104.50	
1973 Youth Week	39.72	
Board of Pub. & Printing	50.00	
Urbana '73	121.85	
Thanksgiving Rally	295.57	
Sno Glo Retreats	3,459.22	
Christian Ed. Convention	842.27	<u>5,687.21</u>
Balance, 9/3/74		<u>1,776.85</u>
		7,464.06

Account was audited by Richard I. Erb, Old State Road, Royersford, Pa.

Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Chairman; Keith E. Plows, Vice-Chairman; William W. Mull, Secretary; William R. Hunsberger, Treasurer; David Branning, Bruce A. Ellingson, LeRoy S. Heller, Leon H. Naudasher, Norman L. Reed, Harold E. Snyder, Robert W. Truett, Roy E. Williams, BOARD

REPORT OF THE 83rd MINISTERIAL CONVENTION

The Eighty-third Annual Ministerial Convention of the Bible

Fellowship Church was held on Monday and Tuesday, May 20-21, 1974 at Pinebrook Conference Center.

The following were members of the Convention Committee:

William A. Heffner, Vice-Chairman
Austin G. Shelly, Secretary
Arthur H. Frable
Paul G. Zimmerman

The theme of the convention was "The Fruits And Gifts of the Spirit." Dr. Kenneth S. Kantzer, Dean of Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, Illinois was the speaker. Dr. Kantzer gave an excellent and accurate analysis of parts of I Corinthians chapters 12-14. There were five study sessions with added time for interaction.

A business session was held on Tuesday morning with the following action taken:

1. Resolved: that a vice-chairman be elected for the 1975 Convention. He shall serve as the Chairman of the 1976 Convention. Austin G. Shelly was elected.
2. Resolved: that a secretary be elected for the 1975 Convention. Roy Hertzog was elected.
3. Resolved: that two members-at-large be elected for the 1975 Convention. Robert L. Draper and Ronald C. Mahurin were elected.
4. Resolved: that the Convention Committee for 1975 shall determine the date, place, subject and length of the 1975 Convention.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Income:

BFC Administrative Budget	450.00	
Registration Fees @ \$3.00	129.00	
Postage & Telephone	<u>17.00</u>	
		596.00

Disbursements:

Pinebrook Bible Conference	384.00	
Speaker - Travel	127.00	
Speaker - honorarium	68.00	
Postage & Telephone	<u>17.00</u>	
		596.00

Balance

Willard E. Cassel, Chairman; Austin G. Shelly, Secretary

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION & PRINTING

INCOME:

Balance, 8/16/73		808.81
Fellowship News	3,225.00	
Administrative Budget	2,000.00	
Year Books	1,570.42	
Faith & Order	3,269.25	
Miscellaneous	<u>221.88</u>	
Total income		<u>10,286.55</u>

Total Funds 11,095.36

SUMMARY

Cash balance, Dauphin Deposit Bank	808.81
Administrative Budget Allotment	<u>2,000.00</u>

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Income:	
Donations from Boards	300.00
Subscriptions	<u>2,925.00</u>
	3,225.00

Expenditures:	
Printing Fellow. News	3,550.00
Editor's expense	102.96
Secretarial help	100.00
Repairs, equipment	<u>413.53</u>
	<u>4,166.49</u>

Deficit (941.49)

FAITH & ORDER

Income:	
Loan from Bd. of Dir.	1,500.00
Faith & Order	<u>1,769.25</u>
	3,269.25

Expenditures:	
Repayment of loan	1,500.00
F & O & Ch. Supplies	<u>1,848.29</u>
	<u>3,348.29</u>

Deficit (79.04)

YEAR BOOKS

Income:

Sale of Year Books	1,570.42	
Expenditures:		
Printing & Postage	<u>1,478.80</u>	
Balance		91.62
Loan from Bd. of Dir. for Equipment		
Payment on loan	700.00	
Interest, 7%	<u>221.09</u>	
		921.09
MISCELLANEOUS		
Income:		
Bd. of Christian Ed.	157.35	
Pinebrook Service Brd.	25.00	
Interest	<u>39.53</u>	
		221.88
Expenditures:		
A. C. Expenses	77.59	
Brd. & Bus. Manager	58.94	
Honorariums	<u>250.00</u>	
		386.53
Balance in Dauphin Deposit & 1st Federal Savings & Loan		794.16

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

Income:		
Balance 9/1/73	78.24	
Subscriptions	<u>3,117.60</u>	
		3,195.84
Expenditures:		
Transferred to P & P.	2,925.00	
Refund	2.50	
Business Manager's exp.	<u>225.22</u>	
		3,152.72
Balance in Dauphin Deposit		<u>43.12</u>
		3,195.84
Cash balance, Bd. of Pub. & Printing		794.16
Cash balance, Fellowship News Account		<u>43.12</u>
Total cash on deposit		837.28
Indebtedness to Board of Directors		1,800.00

All accounts have been audited by Charles Kline

BOARD OF PUBLICATION & PRINTING
Budgets for 1974-75

Fellowship News

Income:

1,300 Subscriptions @ 2.50	3,250.	
Donations from Boards	300.	
Brd. of P & P. Subsidy	<u>875.</u>	
		4,425.00

Expenditures:

Printing 12 Issues F. N.	3,750.	
Secretarial Help	100.	
Editor's Expenses	125.	
Business Manager's Exp.	250.	
Maintenance of Machines	<u>200.</u>	
		4,425.00

Board of Publication & Printing

Income:

Administrative Budget	2,500.	
Year Books	1,550.	
Faith & Order Booklets	<u>150.</u>	
		4,200.00

Expenditures:

Fellowship News Subsidy	875.	
Year Books	1,550.	
Honorariums	250.	
Debt Reduction		
Principal	600.	
Interest	125.	
Church Supplies	<u>800.</u>	
		4,200.00

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the month of January be designated as Fellowship News Subscription Month: that each pastor seek to increase his number of subscriptions to meet the goal of 1,350 subscriptions.

2. That donations be given from the following:

Board of Victory Valley	50.00
Board of Foreign Missions	50.00
Board of Church Extension	50.00
Board of Christian Education	50.00
Board of Pinebrook Jr. College	50.00

Board of Pinebrook Bible Conference

50.00

300.00

(Checks should be made payable to the Board of Publication & Printing and sent to the Business Manager by February 1, 1975)

3. That the price of the Year Book be \$1.50.

Willard E. Cassel, Chairman; Arthur H. Frable, Secretary; R. C. Reichenbach, Business Manager; E. Ray Burger, Gary A. Sterner, BOARD

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

The Historical Committee has had the occasion during the past year both to serve and be served. The location of the fire-proof files, in which most of the archival material is stored, is the same -- the rear of Classroom 'C' in Echobrook. Those who are interested in doing research for any purpose should contact the Archivist, Mr. Harold E. Snyder at Pinebrook Junior College.

The Fleetwood fellowship has been assisted this year in documenting its history for a centennial celebration. The minutes of the Annual Conference in the 1870's, which are written in German script, revealed that the 100th anniversary of their church had already passed. The celebration was a success despite that discovery.

The Committee was also served during the past year by several persons from different churches. Paul H. Cressman donated a book of local conference minutes from the early 1900's of the Bethlehem congregation. Ralph D. Cole, from the estate of Emma Donnelley, Staten Island, N. Y. has brought a collection of old Gospel Heralds to supplement our supply.

Because of the lack of space and adequate facilities to house all of the materials which individuals want to donate, the Committee sees itself confronted with the task of creating a priority list of materials to be accepted. We feel that this can be done during the coming year. Distribution of the list will be made to the churches so that they can submit materials which we can accommodate at our present location.

The Committee hopes to both serve and be served in a far

greater dimension during the coming year.

We recommend the adoption of the following duties for the ongoing work of the Historical Committee:

1. To determine policy and procedures by which the Archivist can maintain and supplement the historical materials of the Bible Fellowship Church.
2. To assist the Archivist in the collection of relevant historical materials.
3. To maintain denominational archives for the accumulation of materials and memoirs relating to the history of the denomination.
4. To encourage each local fellowship to maintain a file of important documents related to the historical development of their local fellowship.
5. To make an annual report to the Annual Conference.

E. W. Bean, Paul H. Cressman, Bright N. Heist, COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CHURCH EXTENSION

"Shout for joy, O barren one, you who have borne no child; Break forth into joyful shouting and cry aloud, you who have not travailed; For the sons of the desolate one will be more numerous Than the sons of the married woman," says the Lord. -- Isaiah 54:1

Long ago, the prophet Isaiah, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, looked forward to the time when Israel would be fruitful and great and glorious, following a period of desolation and barrenness. In Isaiah's prophecy, the promise of fruitfulness and growth, in chapter 54, is sequent to the beautiful detailed predictive description of the atoning death of Jesus Christ in chapter 53. The chapter reveals an expansiveness and splendor that earthly Israel has never achieved. The last verse of the chapter, "This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord," allows us to see ourselves in its description, along with God's servants throughout history. And the Apostle Paul, in Galatians 4:26,27, applies this text to "the Jerusalem above," which "is free; (and) is our mother," that is to the spiritual, true, universal Church, to which all Spirit-born men belong as citizens, even as they sojourn on the earth.

For these reasons we may correctly apply this text to ourselves as part of Christ's true Bride (v. 5). And a con-

sideration of some facets of the chapter provide a framework for this my sixth report to Annual Conference.

P R O M I S E S

The great promises of the Lord are ours because of our personal relationship to the God of sovereign grace who has called us to Himself (v. 6). He is our Maker and Redeemer -- "the Lord of Hosts,...the Holy One of Israel,...the God of all the earth" (v. 5). His promises to us are as sure as has been His promise to Noah and more certain and permanent than the mountains and the hills (vv. 9,10). What are some of these promises?

1. "You will not be put to shame,...you will not be disgraced; But you will forget the shame of your youth, and the reproach of your widowhood you will remember no more" (v. 4).

Recently I had occasion to talk with a man and his wife who live in an area where there is not presently located a Bible Fellowship Church. They have expressed some interest in a new church forming in their community. While explaining who we are and where we have come from, I showed them that we are not a fly-by-night outfit or an off-beat cult but that we have 47 churches in three states and that we began in 1858. Their next question, "If you're 116 years old, why do you have only 47 churches?" caused me some discomfort and consternation. "Well, for much of that period we were a German language church, tied to the rural Pennsylvania Dutch farm culture. As a result, we have been somewhat provincial and ingrown in our attitude and our outreach." The answer admitted some shame and reproach. "But we have begun five new churches since 1970 and plan for even more in the next few years."

Our shame and reproach will be removed as the Lord brings us greater growth and new churches. Years of non-growth and few new churches are being succeeded by growth years (this is the seventh straight year of membership increase, with an acceleration that is clear and strong) and by the birth of vigorous young churches. We who are the Bible Fellowship Church today can do little about our past but interpret and explain it. By God's grace we can do much in the present and near future that will dissolve and dissipate the shame, disgrace and reproach of a barren and desolate past.

2. "For the sons of the desolate one will be more numerous

...'' (v. 1).

The result of the sacrificial death of Christ is that "He will see His offspring,...He will see it and be satisfied" (53:10,11). Our Everlasting Father shares His progeny with "the Jerusalem above,...our Mother" (Galatians 4:26), the Church. He desires and wills that a particular part of that Church, such as ours, grow and share in receiving and nurturing those children.

The TIE project in East Central New Jersey is part of this birth and growth process. From three little "nothings" in 1970, TIE has grown to five healthy children four years later. The newest TIE mission, which is at the same time the oldest, Englishtown, elected a Board of Elders early in the year and has since been under the oversight of that Board. This Conference may recognize the development of this young church by receiving it into Annual Conference membership.

After four years of faithful service as pastor in Englishtown, John Vandegriff felt led of the Lord to resign. He has accepted a call of the Reading Church to serve as associate pastor. We should pray for the brothers and sisters at Englishtown as they seek the Lord's choice to minister in their midst.

The other four TIE missions have evidenced growth and progress during the year, which shows up in baptisms, membership accessions, financial growth and organizational development. It can be more warmly told in the lives and testimonies of new brothers and sisters who are being saved and transformed through the ministry of the new churches.

Most striking development this year has occurred at Howell Township, which has enjoyed a steady influx of conversions and additions. The work became an organized mission with the public reception of 43 persons to its first membership roll on September 29.

One could hope for more rapid progress of the missions at Franklin Township, Freehold and Neptune, and we should pray to that end, particularly as they work through some difficult and critical stages and problems in the process of becoming churches.

3. "You will spread abroad to the right and to the left" (v. 3).

For a year and a half I have been leading a home Bible study

group in Poughquag, Dutchess County, New York. This was recounted in some detail in my 1973 report. Early in the current year I prepared a study of the area and our effort there for the Board of Church Extension, on the basis of which the Board accepted a series of goals for the year at Poughquag which particularly focused on finding or winning four or five potential committed families. The gathering of these families would signal the time to proceed with a full church planting attempt in that Mid-Hudson area.

A three-phase summer evangelistic thrust in Poughquag was staffed by four PISCES persons and a number of believers from the target area. The three parts, which all occurred within an eleven-day period, were a Teen Week, "Days of Discovery" for children and a Family Film Festival. As the Word of God was taught and the Gospel presented there was response. An especially encouraging result was that contact was established with two potential committed families, who subsequently have participated in the Bible studies.

Based on the achievement of these goals and the evident responsiveness of the people in the target area, the Board voted at its September 10 meeting to make Poughquag our newest mission location and to proceed with an attempt to call an organizing pastor to serve there. The 1974-75 budget provides an appropriation to assist in the first year's operation of this new mission.

4. "Whoever assails you will fall because of you....No weapon that is formed against you shall prosper; and every tongue that accuses you in judgment you will condemn" (vv. 15,17).

This promise anticipates and parallels Jesus' statement, "I will build my church, and the gates of Hades shall not overpower it" (Matthew 16:18). We move ahead, believing and counting on our Lord's promises.

Our two western New Jersey churches mounted intensive summer outreach programs. Each included a children's VBS type series, a Family Film Festival and an extensive house-to-house visitation project. The Finesville effort was directed toward Holland Township in Hunterdon County, attempting to form a nucleus of a new church there. The Belvidere target was that town and its immediately surrounding municipalities. In each there were new families contacted with the Gospel and for the churches.

At Belvidere, the summer project was a factor in a new spirit of encouragement and in some growth. New people

have recently begun attending the small congregation, projecting hope for increasing progress in the 1974-75 year.

Many months ago, Pastor D. Thomas Phillips began to do a great deal of door-to-door canvassing in Holland Township. A weekly Bible study was established. The summer outreach was intended to build on and expand the contacts that had been obtained through canvassing and the Bible study. Presently the results there are being followed-up and assessed against a previously determined set of goals to see whether it appears feasible to move ahead with a new church attempt in Holland. At the same time a small congregation continues to worship in the village of Finesville.

5. "And all your sons will be taught of the Lord; And the well-being of your sons will be great" (v. 13).

The fifth summer of PISCES, our program for learning and service by collegians and seminarians, was small but effective. While we were unable to provide any funds from our regular budget, concerned persons and churches gave \$2,155.00 to make PISCES possible in the summer of '74.

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Kramer served for the full summer. Charles is a son of the Spring City church, a graduate of Pinebrook Jr. College, a candidate for the Bible Fellowship Church ministry and was a participant in the first PISCES in 1970. Charles and Arlis engaged in visitation outreach at Freehold and Neptune, spent a week in Connecticut in survey work for future potential locations for new churches, assisted in the evangelism programs of Finesville and Belvidere and directed the Poughquag project. In the latter program, Randy Kaiser and John Troxell worked with them. Randy (PISCES '73) is a son of the Freehold congregation. John might be called a "son-in-law" of the Blandon church, which is the home church of his wife Bonnie Kline. They met while they were both PISCES people in 1971.

We anticipate that PISCES '75 will have more participants than this year's program and will effectively fulfill the dual objective of evangelistic service and learning for the young people who participate.

6. "And you descendants will possess nations, and they will resettle the desolate cities" (v. 3).

In the biblical usage, the word "nation" does not mean precisely what it does in the modern sense, but rather something closer to tribe or clan or linguistic group. We believe that

God's purpose and promise for the Bible Fellowship Church is that we break out of a cultural and ethnic, as well as a geographic, narrowness to reach and win to Christ and our church people of different "nations." These will be culturally, socially, economically and, perhaps, in physical appearance different from us. Our acceptance of them may be as difficult for us as it was for the Jewish believers in the first century to accept Gentile believers. May God grant that we ultimately emerge on the side of acceptance and growth!

How could one better describe the spiritual state of the great cities of America than "desolate?" Evangelical churches, including our own, have fled the city and/or died there. They are, for the most part, a pagan "wasteland" that needs to be "resettled" for Christ. When we "lift up (our) eyes and look on the field, that they are white for harvest" (John 4:35), we must see America's cities. Our goals for the future must include "resettling" them.

Part of our work in preparation for "spreading abroad" and "possessing the nations" and "resettling the desolate cities" is to survey and plan. Areas surveyed during this year included parts of the states of Connecticut, Delaware and Vermont and the counties of Orange, Dutchess, Rockland and Ulster in New York, Hunterdon and Union in New Jersey and Bucks and Philadelphia in Pennsylvania.

During the year, I have had opportunity to consult with the pastors of at least four of our churches outside of the Department concerning their growth problems and potential. I preached a series of messages, "Church Growth Principles from New Testament Churches," at a missionary conference in one of our churches, led two church growth workshops for outside groups and have served on the planning committee for the annual Northeast Church Growth Seminar at Nyack College. My continuing service as interim pastor of our Neptune Mission has kept me active in seeking growth of a church on a particular field.

I M P E R A T I V E S

Isaiah 54 contains not only glorious promises but also challenging imperatives. Very often God's promises are attached to His commands in such a way that obedience to the commands is a condition for fulfillment of the promises.

1. "Shout for joy...Break forth into joyful shouting and cry aloud...." (v. 1).

The idea of women or couples being dejected and crushed because they are childless or elated and shouting because they have many children is rather strange in our day of "planned parenthood," "zero population growth" and abortion on demand. But in biblical times, children were regarded as a blessing from the Lord and barrenness as a reproach. Spiritually, the church ought to partake of that attitude today. If we be barren and fruitless we are dismal, desolate, disgraced and desperate. If we bear spiritual progeny we are happy and we rejoice. "How blessed is the (church) whose quiver is full of (spiritual children)..." (Psalm 127:5), "(She) shall be like a fruitful vine within (the) house (of her heavenly Husband)" (Psalm 128:3).

When God is blessing us with children and as we anticipate more, let us shout for joy. During the year I have been privileged to tell in ten of our churches and in two outside churches what the Lord is doing. Some of the pastors in the Department and their people have had opportunity to tell their story at various places. Through TIE Lines, the pages of Fellowship News and by all possible means we are "cheerleaders of praise." We are in the process of producing a slide-tape presentation that we might draw forth more shouting.

2. "Fear not for you will not be put to shame; Neither feel humiliated, for you will not be disgraced...." (v. 4).

Why should we fear, when we know that "the God of all the earth" has called us, has planned and directed that we have spiritual children and goes with us and before us? He is greater than the one who is in the world (I John 4:3). "If God is for us who is against us?" (Romans 8:31).

So we ought not fear economic conditions or dangers, indifference or opposition, the baffling or the unknown. Of old, in Corinth, the Lord appeared to Paul in a vision, at a time when perhaps he was ready to give up or slack off in his church planting project in that great wicked city. "Do not be afraid any longer," He said, "but go on speaking and do not be silent; for I am with you, and no man will attack you in order to harm you, for I have many people in this city" (Acts 16:9,10). Paul obeyed the Lord and did a great work for God in Corinth.

This is a day of unprecedented need and opportunity in America. God has called us into being and placed before us a great challenge. He bids us move ahead without fear, to do His most important work. He promises His presence and blessing. We

must obey Him!

3. "Enlarge the place of your tent...." (v. 2).

The image of the tent in the text is certainly appropriate. The Church is a pilgrim, nomadic people on earth. Our citizenship is in "the Jerusalem above" (Galatians 4:26), and like Abraham we live "as an alien in the land..., as in a foreign land, dwelling in tents...." (Hebrews 11:12).

When we know that the family is going to grow we must make room. "Stretch out the curtains of your dwellings" -- enlarge the area, provide for more. When a tent is to be made larger, one must stretch existing fabric, sew on more, "Lengthen your cords and strengthen your pegs" (v. 2). The tent will go higher and wider, the cords must be made longer and the stakes, which hold it up, must be made stronger.

For this expansion to take place there must be planning and provision of materials. During the year the Board of Church Extension has adopted a plan, a set of goals, a "DESIGN FOR ENLARGEMENT." The goals give us an idea how much provision for expansion we must make for a given future period:

- (1) Three new church starts by the end of 1975 (Poughquag is the first of these).
- (2) Twenty more new church beginnings from 1975 through 1985.
- (3) Entrance into three new states by 1978
- (4) At least two inner-city church planting attempts by 1985.

These goals anticipate our obedience to the Lord's directives in Isaiah 54. The Board will aim to see the goals met or surpassed. Hopefully, in a few years we may be able to revise them upward. We ask the churches to ratify these goals and to unite in stretching out the curtains, lengthening the cords and strengthening the stakes.

An adequate response will include giving of money and persons (young men to be pastors, key families to be part of new churches, parts of congregations to become the nuclei of new congregations), prayer and, perhaps, some changes in attitudes and in organization.

To begin to meet these goals, a dramatic increase in fi-

nancial support must be forthcoming. My 1973 report chronicled the precipitous decline in percentage of total offerings given by our churches for church extension from 1962 through 1973. That decline continues apace. Last year, for the first time ever, this percentage fell below 3%, to 2.98. This year's giving has gone lower still, with the actual total gifts from churches decreasing \$2,156.00 -- and this despite cost rises in the vicinity of 12% for the year.

Some comparisons between 1962 and 1974 tell much. If the churches had given for church extension last year at the same 5.72% that they did in 1962, we would have had \$88,614.00 with which to extend the church this year. Instead, we have received for the coming year's ministry \$2,277.00 less than the churches gave us in 1962 for the following year's budget. Cost comparisons between the two years show how drastically our real support for church extension has fallen away. In 1962 the minimum for a pastor's salary and supplemental benefits (there were none then) was \$3,000.00 per year; and most men who served in the Department at that time received less than the minimum. In the year just passed, the cost of the minimum salary package was \$7,458.00 an increase of 149%. Yet the churches with few noble exceptions, are giving less for church extension! In 1962 the Director's salary and benefits (none) cost the Department \$4,100.00. The 1974 cost was \$8,350.00, an increase of 106%. Yet the churches are giving less for church extension! In 1962 the cost of mailing each first class letter was 4¢; today it is 10¢, an increase of 150%. Yet the churches are giving less to church extension! In 1962 the cost of gas for home use was \$1.56 per 1,000 cubic feet; today it is \$2.85, an increase of 85%. Yet the churches are giving less to church extension! In 1962 the cost of electricity was \$1.75 per 100 kilowatt hours; today it is \$4.95, an increase of 183%. Yet the churches are giving less for church extension! In 1962 the cash reimbursement for travel in transacting denominational business was 8¢ per mile; today it should be at least 14¢, an increase of 75%. Yet the churches are giving less for church extension! In 1962 one gallon of heating oil cost 12.5¢; today it is up to 36.2¢, an increase of 190%. Yet the churches are giving less for church extension! Most of these costs have more than doubled over the last twelve years; some have almost tripled. The list could go on and on -- one devastating increment after another. Yet the churches are giving less in 1974 for church extension than they did in 1962!

The conclusion is inescapable: Instead of enlarging and lengthening and strengthening, we have been reducing and shortening and weakening. Can we in any way be proud of this

or rationalize our performance or justify ourselves? No! we have been shamefully disobedient to our Lord's clear directives.

The Board of Church Extension asks the churches to "remember therefore from where you have fallen, and repent and do the deeds you did at first" (Revelation 3:5), to return to the level of at least 5% of total offerings for church extension. Some churches could comfortably do much better than that. If we had received 5% of last year's total offerings, we would have had more than \$34,000.00 additional to apply to our task this year than we have had, and the Board should have been able to project higher goals for new church planting than we presently can.

The Board has prepared a revised budget for 1974-75 that provides for funding for a new mission in Poughquag, New York. That provision is less than the Board deems adequate for a first year's appropriation, yet the budget anticipates income that is \$6,000.00 to \$7,000.00 more than we can presently expect to receive by our most optimistic projections. But we dare not refuse to enter that open door which the Lord has placed before us.

The 1975-76 proposed budget looks toward two more new missions (again at less than adequate provision) and expects contributions from the churches during the coming year to take a significant jump toward the 5% goal -- to \$57,000.00, an increase of \$15,000.00 or 36% over this year. We must find a way to do it!

The churches will have opportunity in the next two years deliberately, knowingly, decisively and clearly to answer "yes" or "no" by their giving. Either yes, we want to travail and bear children and spread abroad and possess nations and resettle desolate cities and we will enlarge our place and lengthen the cords and strengthen the stakes, or no, we do not want spiritual children and we have no intention of making room for them.

If in the future the Church Extension Department will have to refuse to enter needy areas which promise to be ripe and fruitful harvest fields because of lack of resources, it will be equivalent to "spiritual birth control." If for lack of funds, we shall have to abandon places like Poughquag, where the groundwork has been laid and the work underway, it will amount to "spiritual abortion." And if these things happen will we not indeed be "barren, desolate, shamed, humiliated, disgraced, reproached," and soon dead? "But, beloved, we

are convinced of better things concerning you" (Hebrews 6:9).

Our Lord has commanded us to "spare not" (v. 2). And He has supremely taught us what it means to "spare not," while at the same time assuring us that we cannot outgive Him: "He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?" (Romans 8:32).

If our response be one of obedience to these imperatives and if we stay true to the Word of God and the God of the Word, then the future of the Bible Fellowship Church, should the Lord tarry, will be glorious, according to the assurances of Isaiah 54. With the shame of our youth and the reproach of our widowhood behind us (v. 4), we may joy in our spiritual sons and descendents (vv. 1,3). Our Husband and Redeemer will gather us with great compassion (v. 7) and everlasting lovingkindness (v. 8). He will not be angry with us nor rebuke us (v. 9) but will keep us through His unshaken covenant of peace (v. 10). Isaiah pictures the glory of such a church in terms of gems -- antimony, sapphires, rubies, crystal and other precious, sparkling stones (vv. 11,12) (When that happens, Lord, keep us humble; let us be busy in Your work, concerned for Your glory and looking only to You.). We shall be established in righteousness ("Let it be, dear Lord, let it be!"), and free from oppression and terror (v. 14).

" 'And their vindication is from Me,' declares the Lord" (v. 17).

F I N A N C I A L

RECEIPTS:

Balance, 9/19/73	98.45	
From Board of Church Ex.	5,900.93	
Literature Sales	<u>5.71</u>	
		6,005.09

DISBURSEMENTS:

PISCES		1,431.16
New Project (Poughquag)		247.38
Office:		
Equipment & Supplies	165.07	
Printing	396.70	
Postage	428.54	
Telephone	<u>332.94</u>	
		1,323.25

Parsonage:		
Fuel Oil	519.07	
Utilities	731.02	
Improvements & Mainten.	305.00	
Insurance	<u>192.43</u>	
		1,747.52
Director's Travel & Meals		968.89
Pastors' Travel & Meals		10.63
Board Expenses		129.29
Reference Materials, Maps, Books		70.09
Miscellaneous		<u>13.00</u>
		5,941.21
Balance, 9/21/74		<u>63.88</u>
		6,005.09

The depository for the balance, and all funds in this account is a checking account with the First National Bank of Allentown, under the name "Church Extension Department of The Bible Fellowship Church."

This financial report and account book have been audited by Ralph D. Cole.

Daniel G. Ziegler, Director

REPORT OF FUND TO EQUALIZE PASTORS' SALARIES

The Ninetieth Annual Conference, on October 10, 1974 passed a resolution establishing a minimum figure for the salary package of a pastor of a Bible Fellowship Church at \$7,000.00. This is published on page 21, 1973 Yearbook. On the same date, the Conference adopted the following resolution:

Resolved: that each church that is presently supporting its pastor at or above the new minimum salary give a liberal offering to the Board of Church Extension, designated for increasing the salaries of those men who are working under the Board of Church Extension for less than this minimum salary. This offering shall be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Board of Church Extension by November 30, 1973. The amount needed to fully provide for this is \$3,529.50 (1973 Yearbook, page 31).

At the time of the adoption of the resolution, there was an informal understanding to the effect that the distribution of grants from the fund established thereby be made also to those pastors outside of the Church Extension Department

whose salaries were below the minimum figure.

Twelve churches contributed to the Fund. Gifts were received from two individuals. A major contribution of \$2,000.00 came from the Ministers' Assistance Fund, by action of the Credentials Committee.

Disbursements of the Fund were made on May 9, 1974 to seven pastors, three of whom are working within the Church Extension Department and four who are serving other churches, to equalize their salaries at \$6,632.94. Grants ranged from \$146.82 to \$1,023.45.

The following is a complete financial report:

RECEIPTS:

From Churches:

Allentown, Bethel	210.00
Bethlehem	300.00
Denville	60.00
Graterford	100.00
Harleysville	197.00
Hatfield	600.00
Mt. Carmel	100.00
Quakertown	150.00
Sinking Spring	50.00
Sunbury	113.00
Terre Hill	35.00
York	122.00

(Includes \$25.00 from
W. M. S.)

	2,037.00
From Individuals	40.00
From Ministers' Assistance Fund	<u>2,000.00</u>
Total	4,077.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

Grants to seven pastors, whose salaries were below the \$7,000.00 minimum	4,077.00
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Daniel G. Ziegler, Treasurer
For the Board of Church Extension

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

“And he entered the synagogue and continued speaking out boldly for three months, reasoning and persuading them about the kingdom of God.

“But when some were becoming hardened and disobedient, speaking evil of the way before the multitude, he withdrew from them and took away the disciples, reasoning daily in the school of Tyrannus. And this took place for two years, so that all who lived in Asia heard the Word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks.

“So the Word of the Lord was growing mighty and prevailing” (Acts 19:8-10, 20).

The Church went where men could be won and there witnessed and preached the Word that men might believe, become disciples, form churches of Christ and be found in them at the end. Proclamation and witness were means of discipling. Mission meant winning men for Christ and organizing them into churches, that they in turn might disciple more men and organize more churches. This is the church planting principle in the New Testament and the objectives of the Board of Church Extension.

In God's purpose, many people today are ripe for the harvest. His evident intention is that white fields should be reaped. In this kind of a world God will constrain His servants to reap the harvest. The same Holy Spirit who inspires men to claim the world for Christ, also inspires them to concentrate their efforts on those areas where men are gladly coming to the Saviour.

The Board held six regular meetings during the year. The Board is organized as follows:

James G. Koch, chairman; LeRoy S. Heller, secretary; Daniel G. Ziegler, treasurer; Arthur H. Frable, Robert W. Smock, John L. Deily, Clyde W. Snyder, Clayton E. Weber.

The Board adopted the following four goals:

1. Begin three new churches by the end of 1975
2. Enter three new states by 1978
3. Attempt to plant 20 new churches from 1975-1985
4. At least two of these churches be in the inner-city areas.

Steps have been taken toward opening a new mission in

Poughquag, New York.

The Board of Church Extension recommends the following changes in legislation pertaining to the Board's duties and work:

1. Delete #5 under Duties of the Board, page 69, Faith & Order.
2. Delete #4 & #5 under Rules Relative to Status of Churches, page 71, Faith & Order.
3. That #6 under Rules Relative to Status of Churches, pages 71 & 72 of Faith & Order be revised to read as follows:

All churches which receive financial aid from the Board of Church Extension shall be under the jurisdiction of the Church Extension Department as long as they continue to receive such aid and until three years after the date of their receiving the last payment of such aid. After a church has ceased to be under the jurisdiction of the Church Extension Department, it shall not again come under that jurisdiction or be eligible to receive financial aid from the Board of Church Extension except when a need for financial aid shall be occasioned by its participation in the start of a new Bible Fellowship Church or mission, in which case the Board of Church Extension may appropriate such financial aid. The Board of Church Extension and the Director may counsel and advise the churches under their jurisdiction in matters of pastoral relations and pulpit supply. (Italics indicate added text of the revision)

We recommend the following:

1. That the Annual Conference adopt the proposed Budget for 1975-76
2. That the churches consider giving for church extension at a rate of 5% of their total annual offerings. Such a level of giving is needed to provide for an aggressive program of church planting evangelism which will be an adequate response to the spiritual needs of America now. Further, 5% of their total offerings has been the average rate of church extension giving of our churches throughout most of our history. Smaller churches which find a 5% goal unrealistic might consider offerings of \$10.00 per member as a goal.

3. Whereas, the Board of Church Extension certifies that the Englishtown, N. J. mission has attained the standards in Article 18 of the Faith & Order, therefore be it,

Resolved: that the Englishtown, N. J. mission be recognized as a church and received into Annual Conference membership.

F I N A N C I A L S T A T E M E N T

RECEIPTS:

Balance, 9/21/74		37,676.51
From Churches:		
Prepaid for 1974-75	42,201.80	
Designated for Current Ex.:		
Director's Support	1,270.00	
PISCES	285.00	
General	255.00	
	<u> </u>	44,011.80
General Contributions:		
Director's Support	340.00	
PISCES	1,870.00	
New Project Poughquag	289.50	
Salary Equilization Fund	4,077.00	
Undesignated	1,629.09	
	<u> </u>	8,205.59
Interest		2,101.05
Reimbursements & Refunds:		
Director's Travel	1,172.78	
Other	8.30	
	<u> </u>	1,181.08
Total		93,176.03

EXPENDITURES:

Appropriations:	
Churches & Missions:	
Belvidere	7,200.00
Englishtown	1,200.00
Franklin Township	3,000.00
Freehold	5,050.00
Finesville	3,900.00
Howell	7,000.00

Neptune	<u>25.00</u>	27,375.00
TIE Team		300.00
PISCES		<u>1,550.93</u>
		29,225.93
Administration:		
Director's Salary	7,200.00	
Director's Sup. Benefits	1,150.00	
Director's Parsonage (mort)	1,878.96	
Director's Travel	1,914.72	
Director's Operating Acc.	4,350.00	
Board Expenses	223.60	
Administrative Budget	100.00	
Fellowship News Assessment	<u>50.00</u>	
		16,867.28
Other:		
Salary Equalization Fund	4,077.00	
Loan to Freehold Mission	536.67	
Fund Toward Amortization	<u>3,000.00</u>	
		<u>7,613.67</u>
Total		53,706.88
Balance, 9/24/74		<u>39,469.15 *</u>
		93,176.03

* This balance is deposited as follows:

Checking account with The First National Bank of Allentown under the name "Bible Fellowship Church, Board of Church Extension"	156.83
Regular Savings Account with The Savings Bank of Central Jersey	440.00
Investment Savings Account with the Savings Bank of Central Jersey	13,872.32
Certificates of Deposit:	
The First National Bank of Allentown	10,000.00
City Federal Savings & Loan Assoc.	10,000.00
North Plainfield State Bank	5,000.00

NOTES:

- (1) The Board holds the following Notes, receivable upon the sale of the former Freehold parsonage, 85 Helen Ave., Freehold, N. J.:

Fund to Promote Church Extension	3,400.00
Freehold Mission	536.67
	<u>3,936.67</u>

(2) A summary, therefore, of the actual fiscal position of the Board:

Balance, 9/24/74	39,469.15
Notes	<u>3,936.67</u>

Total	43,405.82
Less Prepaid for 1974-75	<u>42,201.80</u>

Surplus	1,204.02
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(3) The Board has \$6,000.00 on deposit with the Conference Treasurer in the Fund Toward Amortization of Indebtedness of the Fund to Promote Church Extension.

This financial report has been prepared by Daniel G. Ziegler, Treasurer.

This report and account book have been audited by Roger S. Bowne.

REVISED BUDGET - 1974-1975

RECEIPTS:

Churches	42,500.	
Interest	2,300.	
Special Gifts and/or Loans	<u>10,097.</u>	54,897.

EXPENDITURES:

Appropriations:

Churches & Missions		OR
Belvidere	7,500	7,500
Englishtown	2,400	2,400
Franklin Township	-----	-----
Freehold	4,500	4,500
Finesville	3,900	3,900
Howell	4,000	4,000
Neptune	-----	6,800
Poughquag	8,300	-----
New Missions	<u>3,000</u>	<u>4,500</u>

33,600	33,600
<u>1,000</u>	

PISCES

TIE Team	<u>200</u>	
Total		34,800

Administration:

Director's Salary	8,000	
Dir. Sup. Benefits	1,343	
Parsonage:		
Mortgage	1,880	
Utilities	600	
Fuel Oil	500	
Insurance	200	
Maintenance	400	
Travel & Meals	2,400	
Office Expenses		
Printing	550	
Equip. & Supplies	490	
Postage	500	
Phone	420	
Board Expenses	500	
Administrative Budget	73	
Workmen's Compensation	191	
Fellowship News Ass.	<u>50</u>	18,097

Reserves

Capital Fund	1,000	
Contingency	<u>1,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>

Total Expenditures		54,897
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Approved by the Board of Church Extension, September 10, 1974.

PROPOSED BUDGET - 1975-1976

RECEIPTS:

Churches	57,000	
Interest	2,500	
Special Gifts	<u>5,200</u>	64,700

EXPENDITURES:

Appropriations:

Existing Missions	20,500	
Two New Missions	16,600 *	
PISCES	2,400	
Team	<u>1,200</u>	40,700

Administration:		
Director's Salary	8,000	
Dir. Sup. Benefits	1,450	
Parsonage	3,700	
Travel & Meals	2,775	
Office Expense	2,000	
Board Expenses	650	
A.C. Admin. Budget	125	
Workmen's Compensation	250	
Fellowship News Assess.	50	19,000

Reserves:

Capital Fund	4,000	
Contingencies	1,000	5,000

Total Expenditures 64,700

* Includes moving expenses for two families.

Approved by the Board of Church Extension, September 10, 1974.

RESOLUTION FROM THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

The following was found on the October 7, 1974 minutes of the Board of Church Extension:

Resolved: that we request the Ninety-First Annual Conference meeting at Pinebrook beginning October 14, 1974 to revise Article IX of our moral standards to read as follows:

“Alcoholic Drinks: The use of alcoholic drink being the cause of incalculable misery in the world, the evil influences of which are enormous in their effects upon society at large, no member shall be permitted to make such drinks, to deal in them, or to use them as a beverage. Any member who does so shall be excommunicated. We recommend that all members of our denomination use their influence against this evil.

James G. Koch, Chairman; LeRoy S. Heller, Secretary; Daniel G. Ziegler, Treasurer & Director; Arthur H. Frable, Robert W. Smock, John L. Deily, Clyde W. Snyder, Clayton E. Weber, BOARD

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

The Board of Directors met in four regular and three special meetings to transact business during the year. With thanksgiving we submit this Sixty-Ninth Annual Report, acknowledging the presence and grace of God. With His guidance, the work has been carried on for another year.

The construction of the proposed wing to the facility is being held in abeyance because the building variance as granted by the Nazareth Zoning Board has been appealed. Meanwhile, the present structure has been updated to comply with the Life Safety Code of the State of Pennsylvania. We are now completing the installation of an automatic sprinkler system which is electrically interconnected with the fire alarm system. A new water main was then needed to supply adequate pressure and has been installed. A new hood, with automatic fire extinguishing equipment and ventilation equipment, has been installed for the kitchen range. Smoke barrier walls and fire resistant partitions have been completed at three locations and the openings protected by self-closing doors of fire resistant construction. The Life Safety Code required this \$40,000 capital expenditure.

Through the ministry of Reverend Hertzog and his staff, our institution was able to make life a little happier and more comfortable for a great number of persons. Our guests suffer from a great variety of ills incident to old age, and the Home has provided the best care possible under the circumstances. During the year, seven guests died and there were seven admissions. Our 27 beds are all occupied, with an occupancy rate of 99%. Since we have a waiting list it does not require a long time to fill a bed when vacancies occur.

The Reverend Franklin B. Hertzog, Administrator of the Home for the past eight years, has submitted his resignation to be effective at such a time that the Board of Directors finds a qualified, licensed replacement. Everyone connected with the Home is very grateful for the services of Brother Hertzog and his wife and the Board has accepted his resignation with regret. We pray that God's favor be upon them in abundant measure for many years to come.

Pastor James A. Beil was elected to be the Assistant to the Administrator at a Special Meeting of the Board on June 27, 1974. Upon completing the training program and the required courses, and upon being licensed by the State of Pennsylvania, Mr. Beil shall be appointed Administrator of the Home by the

Board of Directors.

To provide for the aging with the best medical care, attention and love involves staggering costs. Your contributions to provide new beds and equipment are urgently needed. Your continued enthusiastic support of this program will be most helpful to us in realizing our goal for enlargement and in our providing better services to our people. The anticipated budget of the Home indicates a need for contributions of at least \$10,000 by the churches.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance Sheet:

A.

Assets

General Fund

Cash	40,154.50	
Accounts Receivable	5,419.67	
Inventory Food	1,157.96	
Inventory Supplies	1,486.75	
Total Assets, General Fund		48,218.88

Board of Directors Fund

Cash - Checking	2,964.88	
Savings	22,035.42	
Cert. of Deposit	78,300.00	
Investments		
(Market Value at 8/7/74		
\$74,714.88)	117,075.76	
Total Assets, Brd. of Dir.		220,376.06
Fund		323,143.61
*Plant Fund Assets		

Total Assets	591,738.55
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Liabilities

General Fund

Accrued Payroll Taxes	3,082.81
Family Assistance	900.00
Due Patients	952.94

Total Liabilities	4,935.75
General Fund Balance	43,283.13
Total Liabilities & Fund	
Balance	48,218.88

Board of Directors Fund		
Trustee - Escrow Fund	15,500.24	
Brd. of Dir. Fund Bal.	<u>204,875.82</u>	
Total Liabilities & Fund		
Balance		220,376.06
Plant Fund Balance		<u>323,143.61</u>
Total Liabilities		591,738.55

* Title to land and Building is held by Bible Fellowship Church, Inc.

Statement of Income & Expenditures: B.

Income:

Patients		
Room and Board	167,704.00	
Personal Laundry	3,480.00	
Extra Linens	<u>3,760.03</u>	
Total Patients		174,944.03

Contributions		
Churches	6,889.43	
General	1,269.00	
Mr. & Mrs. Howard Shelly -		
Memorial	2,000.00	
Mr. & Mrs. Paul I. Wentz	3,000.00	
Mr. Wilson Wieand - Mem.	500.00	
Building Fund	4,957.75	
Gifts in Kind	<u>429.46</u>	
Total Contributions		19,045.64

Other Income		
Dividends & Interest	14,827.46	
Apartment Rent	6,782.00	
Vending Machine	<u>2.20</u>	
		<u>21,611.66</u>

Total Income		215,601.33
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Expenditures:

Patients	108,138.79
Special Services	209.00
Plant Operation & Mainten.	10,257.29
General & Administrative	18,017.68
Apartment & Lot	
5 S. New St.	3,016.60

7 S. New St.	887.23	
Pine St. Lot	<u>33.01</u>	
Total Expenditures (Schedule 2)		<u>140,559.60</u>
Excess of Income over Expenditures - Net (Exhibit C)		75,041.73

Statement of Change in Fund Balance: C.

General Fund Balance, 7/31/73		20,626.00
Adjustments:		
Excess of Income over Expenditures for year ended 1/31/74	75,041.73	
Transfer to:		
Brd. of Dir. Fund	16,976.85	
Plant Fund	<u>35,407.75</u>	
	(52,384.60)	
Net Adjustments		<u>22,657.13</u>
General Fund Bal. 7/31/74		43,283.13
Board of Directors Fund 7/31/73		187,898.97
Adjustments:		
Transfer from General Fund		<u>16,976.85</u>
Brd. of Directors Balance 7/31/74		204,875.82
Plant Fund Balance at	7/31/73	7/31/74
Home	191,906.74	225,412.51
Furniture & Equipment	34,683.14	36,585.98
Apartments	30,000.00	30,000.00
Improvements	29,645.98	29,645.98
Pine Street Lot	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
	287,735.86	323,143.61
Adjustment Transfer from General Fund	<u>35,407.75</u>	
	323,143.61	323,143.61

Schedule of Investments:

1.

	Dollar Cost	8/7/74 Market Value
12 shs. PP&L. 41/2 Pf.	1,224.00	558.00
18 shs. Pub. Ser. El. & Gas	1,368.00	243.00
9 shs. Columbia Gas System	225.38	167.63
8 shs. Cincin. Gas & El.	203.00	171.00
14 shs. Cen. Ill. Light & Gas	738.50	197.75
20 shs. Consumer Power Co.	609.38	222.50
50 shs. PP&L. 9.00 Cum Pf.	5,300.00	4,200.00
100 shs. GAC 4.00 Conv. Pf.	4,600.00	400.00
175 shs. GAC 4.00 Conv. Pf.	6,387.50	700.00
20 shs. Pa. Gas & Water 4.10 pf.	1,150.00	700.00
5 M. GAC 51/2 due 1976	4,275.00	4,050.00
5 M. Texas Eastern Trans. 5% due 1981	4,197.50	3,900.00
3 M. GAC 47/8 due 1983	1,905.00	1,920.00
15 M. Lake Central Airline 6% due 12/31/83	10,275.00	7,200.00
8 M. Metro Edision 6-7/8%	7,480.00	5,200.00
9 M. Metro Edison due 10/1/92	8,190.00	5,850.00
8 M. Allied Chem 6.60% 8/1/93	7,320.00	5,760.00
23 M. McCrory Corp. 7-1/2 5/15/94	18,112.50	9,315.00
4 M. Carolina Power & Light 7-3/4% 10/1/01	4,140.00	2,900.00
23 M. United Telephone of Penna.	23,345.00	16,560.00
240 shs. Excelsior Income Shares, Inc.	6,000.00	4,500.00
	117,075.76	74,714.88

Schedule of Expenditures:

2.

Patients		
Wages		93,940.81
Food:		
Meats	3,564.01	
Groceries	5,700.71	
Dairy Products	1,490.31	
		10,555.03
Kitchen Supplies		137.96
Replacement Dishes, Etc.		102.42

Equipment Repairs	32.20
Housekeeping Contracted Services	275.00
Housekeeping Supplies	463.38
Trash Removal	280.00
Medicines & Supplies	10.84
Medical Stationery	45.85
Medical Supplies - Paper Goods	1,933.30
In-Service Training Program	<u>362.00</u>

Total Patient 108,138.79

Special Services:

Barber & Beauty Supplies	4.35
Newspapers & Magazines for Patients	59.95
Recreation - Activities	125.23
Vending Machines	<u>19.47</u>

Total Special Services 209.00

Plant Operation & Maintenance

Heat - Fuel Oil	1,751.83
Electricity	3,773.94
Water	564.87
Sewer	519.08
Maintenance Supplies	494.67
Maintenance Services	740.95
Outside Services	2,338.81
Maintenance Repairs	<u>73.14</u>

Total Plant Operation & Maintenance 10,257.29

General & Administrative

Office Supplies	362.19
Telephone & Telegraph	850.73
Advertising - Employment	354.03
Dues & Subscriptions	332.00
Legal Fees	100.00
Conference Expense	354.55
Payroll Taxes	8,224.78
Insurance	1,160.54
Professional Assistance	4,398.32
Gifts & Contributions	1,195.50
Board & Committee Exp.	<u>785.04</u>

Total General & Administrative 18,017.68

Apartments & Lots
5 S. New Street

Fuel Oil	1,938.05	
Maintenance & Repairs	338.91	
Taxes	674.64	
Trash Removal	<u>15.00</u>	
Total 5 S. New Street		3,016.60
7 S. New Street		
Electricity	282.56	
Fuel Oil	408.67	
Insurance	28.00	
Telephone	86.36	
Water & sewer	<u>81.64</u>	
Total 7 S. New Street		887.23
Pine Street Lot Taxes		<u>33.01</u>
Total Expenditures		140,559.60

The Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church Home, has resolved to petition Annual Conference to consider the following resolution:

Whereas, Pastor James A. Beil has accepted a full-time position as Assistant to the Administrator of the Bible Fellowship Home, and

Whereas, Brother Beil desires to retain his membership in the Retirement Fund of the Church, and

Whereas, the Home Board is willing to pay the premium to the Conference Administrative Budget, and

Whereas, the Board was unable to find out what premium other ministries of the Church were contributing to the Fund, therefore, be it

Resolved: that Annual Conference determine a premium that all organizations must pay into the Retirement Fund for each member that they employ retaining membership in the Ministers' Retirement Fund.

Paul H. Cressman, President, James A. Beil, Vice-President, Ernest W. Bean, Secretary, John Dunn, Treasurer, Wilbur W. Hartman, William A. Heffner, Clifford L. Kauffman, BOARD

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VICTORY VALLEY

The current year has been one of usefulness to the Lord and His people in ministering to 594 campers. The staff sought to teach the Word of God in class sessions and by example of life. Many professed to new found faith in Jesus as Savior; others indicated new understanding of the written Word.

The leadership staff was a combination of new and returning members:

Jonathan Reynolds - Director
 John B. Harley, III - Boys' Program Director
 Shirley Humbyrd - Girls' Program Director
 Ken Schmoyer - Counselor-in-Training Director

The Board wishes to thank our Lord for providing these dedicated leaders with concern for Him and for young people.

The American Camping Association reviewed the camp site, facilities and program this year, and although official word has not yet been received, every indication is that the camp has been approved to continue in full membership in the association.

The tentative schedule of dates for camp in the coming year is as follows:

June 29-July 5 - Orientation week for Staff
 July 6-July 12 - Junior camp - 1st week
 July 13-July 19 - Junior camp - 2nd week
 July 20-July 26 - Junior camp - 3rd week
 July 27-August 2 - Junior camp - 4th week
 August 3-August 9 - Junior camp - 5th week
 August 10-August 16 - Junior High camp

These dates are announced as tentative because the Board has not yet resolved a problem with the days of arrival and departure of campers. This tentative schedule reflects the current thinking of the Board to change the time of arrival for campers to Sunday afternoon. The time of departure would remain on Saturday morning. The Board is willing to hear any comments the members of the Conference would offer concerning this change.

The contributions from churches came to a new high this year (\$5,656). The Board expresses appreciation for this evidence of desire to participate in the work of the camp.

The general financial condition of the camp is not as strong as it has been during the last several years. This is the result of not realizing the full income anticipated through rentals and camp fees, and because of general inflation. Some progress was made again in the reduction of indebtedness of the camp (\$2,000).

During the summer a walk-in refrigerator was constructed at the cash outlay of \$900; it is valued at \$2,000. One reason for the low cost was the use of a motor and compressor once used in the cafeteria at Mizpah Grove and contributed to Victory Valley when that property was sold.

If financial arrangements can be made, the Board anticipates winterizing the cabin called "Knoll." This facility, in addition to the winterized cabin built last year, would make the camp more attractive for winter rentals. The income from these rentals would help to sustain and develop the camp facilities. The capacity for group rental when the winterization is complete (January, '75), will be 35-60. The rates established for winter rental are as follows:

Winter Retreat - Friday night thru Monday - 3:00 p.m.

with meals (9) per person \$24.00

without meals per person \$10.50

Winter Retreat - Friday night thru Sunday

with meals (5) per person \$15.00

without meals per person \$ 7.00

Winter Retreat - Friday night thru Saturday afternoon

with meals (2) per person \$ 7.00

without meals per person \$ 3.50

Arrangements for rentals should be made through Jonathan Reynolds at the Valley.

The Board had hoped to hire Jonathan Reynolds as a full-time director-caretaker; however, the financial situation does not allow this at the present time. He will remain with the camp in the capacity in which he has served during the last several years. The Board anticipates hiring him full-time in September, 1975.

The Board passed the following resolution at one of its meetings in an attempt to fairly provide the facilities of the Valley for all Bible Fellowship Churches.:

Resolved: that all Bible Fellowship Churches receive a 15% discount for group rentals or that any Bible Fellowship Church which contributes to the Valley at least 1% of its total offerings (according to the last issued conference yearbook) receive a 50% discount on the rental of the

camp facilities (facilities do not include food service or summer fees).

The Board makes the following recommendations:

(1) That each church make a contribution to Victory Valley during the year. Contributions in the amount of 1% of the total giving of each church would provide sufficient help for the camp at this time.

(2) That the Annual Conference approve the following duties of the Victory Valley Board:

1. To formulate objectives and policy for the camp.
2. To plan the year-round camp program.
3. To develop and maintain the site of the camp.
4. To formulate and maintain the standards of the camp.
5. To secure and provide for the training of the camp staff.
6. To supervise the financial and business matters of the camp.
7. To promote the camp to the public.
8. To evaluate the camp and its program
9. To report to the Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church.

FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME:

Camp Contributions		
Churches	5,656.00	
Gifts	2,005.00	
Camp Offerings	191.31	
Rental fees	7,583.30	
Camper fees	24,436.85	
Concessions		
Crafts	806.54	
Snak Shak	1,476.64	
Dry Goods	634.60	
Notes and Legacies	1,629.33	
Miscellaneous & Refunds	308.90	
		44,728.55

EXPENDITURES:

Program and Staff	
Salaries	8,794.12
Payroll taxes	2,234.26
Educational materials	577.31

Recreational materials	156.46	
Horsemanship Program	1,636.36	
Miscellaneous	<u>445.10</u>	13,843.61
Administrative Expenses		
Salaries	1,805.87	
Payroll taxes	480.00	
Office Supplies & Postage	<u>678.77</u>	2,964.64
General Expenses		
Publicity & Promotion	1,585.00	
Health Expenses	285.60	
Telephone	588.02	
Camper Insurance	581.40	
Membership & Conv. Fees	170.00	
Travel Expenses	73.61	
Interest	980.00	
Taxes	<u>20.86</u>	4,284.49
Food Service		
Salaries	1,858.58	
Payroll Taxes	480.00	
Kitchen Supplies	515.67	
Food	7,747.89	
Garbage removal	<u>270.00</u>	10,872.14
Buildings and Grounds		
Salaries	1,268.30	
Payroll taxes	366.83	
Workmen's Compensation	192.22	
Hospitalization	457.92	
Janitorial Supplies	75.14	
Fire & Liability Insurance	777.00	
Camp Fuel & Power	2,692.12	
House Fuel & Power	968.20	
Repairs & Maintenance		
Buildings	1,795.02	
Equipment	1,310.18	
Pool	<u>1,383.53</u>	11,286.46
Concessions		
Crafts	1,021.50	
Dry Goods	725.62	
Snak Shak	<u>1,800.46</u>	3,547.58
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		46,798.92

LOSS FOR THE YEAR, TRANSFERRED TO
NET WORTH

(2,070.37)

44,728.55

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS:

Cash - General Account	4.48	
Cash - Summer Account	11.87	
Inventory	771.24	
Two G.A.C. Bonds (6% Senior		
Debentures, due 1/1/80	1,600.00	
Swimming Pool	24,110.54	
Furniture & Fixtures	18,565.44	
Real Estate	123,951.99	
		169,015.56

LIABILITIES:

Accounts payable	5,526.74	
Note payable Min. Ret. Fund	8,500.00	
Note payable Brd. of Dir.	4,500.00	
Net worth, Sept. 1, 1973	152,195.73	
Loss from 1973-74 season	(2,070.19)	
		169,015.56

Harry Bailey, Carl C. Cassel, Arthur H. Frable, Bright N. Heist, John H. Herb, James Herrold, Ronald C. Mahurin, Harold E. Snyder, Clayton E. Weber, BOARD

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIBLE
FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

The Board of Directors has sought to serve the denomination by caring for the business and financial needs of the churches during the year.

Four churches sought advice from the Board concerning their properties. They are the congregations at Maple Glen, Quakertown, Stroudsburg and York.

The Board submits to the Annual Conference the Administrative Budget for the 1974-1975 year and a proposed Administrative Budget for 1975-1976. It also recommends approval as second reading of the legislation on the method of developing this budget each year (see 1973 Yearbook, pp. 22-24).

The Board added Brother C. L. Miller to the list of annuitants of the Ministers' Retirement Fund effective January 1, 1974, with thirty years of service. It also recommends the approval at second reading of the new legislation on Ministers' Retirement Fund (see 1973 Yearbook, pp. 8-12) and an increase in the rates for annuitants to \$55.00 per year of service.

The Board approved the use of Farmers First Bank, Lititz, Pa. as agent for the investing of the funds of the Bible Fellowship Church for which the Board of Directors is responsible.

The Board began work on two projects during the year which are important, but incomplete. It is seeking to reduce to writing its understanding of its duties which it will submit to the Annual Conference; it is also seeking further certification of the Internal Revenue Service for denominational agencies to issue valid receipts for contributions.

The financial records of this Board and its report to this Conference have been audited by Walter A. Davis, Ephrata, Pennsylvania.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Ministers' Retirement Fund:

1. We recommend the approval at second reading of the new legislation for the Ministers' Retirement Fund as found on pages 8-12 of the 1973 Yearbook.
2. We recommend that the rate for annuities from the Ministers' Retirement Fund for the 1974-1975 year be \$55.00 per year of service.

Administrative Budget:

3. We recommend the final approval of the attached Administrative Budget for 1974-1975 year.
4. We recommend the initial approval of the attached Administrative Budget for the 1975-1976 year.
5. We recommend the approval at second reading of the new legislation for the Administrative Budget as found on pages 22-24 of the 1973 Yearbook.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET PROPOSED FOR 1975-1976 COMPARED WITH BUDGET PROPOSED FOR 1974-1975

	Proposed 1974-1975	Proposed 1975-1976
1. Publication & Printing	2,500.00	2,500.00
2. Conference Entertainment	2,500.00	2,500.00
3. Beneficiary Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00
4. Ministers' Retirement Fd.	10,000.00	10,500.00
5. Moving Fund	2,700.00	3,000.00
6. Exp. Boards & Committees while Transacting A.C. bus.	2,250.00	2,250.00
7. Other Exp. Brd. of Dir.	300.00	400.00
8. Ministerial Conv. Expenses	500.00	500.00
9. Ministers' Assistance Fund	100.00	500.00
10. Health & Welfare Insurance for Pastors & Dependents	20,148.48	20,600.00
11. For use by Min. Cand. Com. for Internships	150.00	250.00
12. Contingencies	(120.52)	1,000.00
Totals	42,027.96	45,000.00

PLEDGES TO THE 1974-1975 ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET

Allentown, Bethel	2,500.00
Allentown, Cedar Crest	1,260.00
Allentown, Salem	475.00
Belvidere	483.00
Bethlehem	1,760.00
Blandon	800.00
Catasauqua	225.00
Coopersburg	1,200.00
Denville	850.00
Easton	150.00
Emmaus	1,870.00
Englishtown	483.00
Ephrata	725.00
Finesville	240.00
Fleetwood	1,380.00
Franklin	483.00
Freehold	100.00 *
Graterford	1,200.00
Harleysville	900.00
Harrisburg	950.00
Hatfield	1,750.00
Howell Township	483.00
Lancaster	1,100.00

Lebanon	600.00
Lehighton	760.00
Maple Glen	1,260.00
Mount Carmel	800.00
Nazareth	1,050.00
Neptune	25.00 *
Paradise	657.96
Philadelphia - Calvary	600.00
Philadelphia - Emmanuel	600.00
Quakertown	800.00
Reading	2,300.00
Royersford	1,225.00
Scranton	600.00
Shamokin	780.00
Sinking Spring	950.00
Spring City	990.00
Staten Island	720.00
Stroudsburg	825.00
Sunbury	900.00
Terre Hill	800.00
Wallingford	1,400.00
Walnutport	225.00
York	1,250.00
Zionsville	450.00
Board of Church Extension	93.00 *
Total	42,027.96

* Insurance coverage is not included in these pledges.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET PROPOSED FOR 1974-1975
COMPARED WITH BUDGET APPROVED FOR 1973-1974

	Approved 1973-1974	Proposed 1974-1975
1. Publication & Printing	2,000.00	2,500.00
2. Conference Entertainment	2,400.00	2,500.00
3. Beneficiary Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00
4. Ministers' Retire. Fund	9,500.00	10,000.00
5. Moving Fund	1,000.00	2,700.00
6. Exp., Boards & Committees transacting A.C. business	2,250.00	2,250.00
7. Other Exp. Brd. of Dir.	450.00	300.00
8. Ministerial Conv. Exp.	450.00	500.00
9. Ministers' Assistance Fund	100.00	100.00
10. Health & Welfare Ins. for Pastors & Dependents	19,718.32	20,148.48

11. For use by Min. Cand. Com. for Internships	250.00	150.00
12. Contingencies	<u>1,080.16</u>	<u>(120.52)</u>
Totals	40,198.48	42,027.96

BALANCE SHEET - September 30, 1974-1973 A.

ASSETS	1974	1973
Statement B, General Funds	88,895.97	88,336.65
Statement D, Promote C. Ex.	277,025.86	274,390.82
Statement F, Pinebrook	776,766.76	741,725.96
Statement H, Min. R. F.	<u>183,235.23</u>	<u>176,083.02</u>
Total Assets	1,325,923.82	1,280,536.45

LIABILITIES

Statement B, General Funds	5,344.48	6,168.19
Statement D, Promote C. Ex.	86,769.66	89,370.40
Statement F, Pinebrook	50,000.00	50,000.00
Statement H, Min. R. Fund	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities	142,114.14	145,538.59

FUNDS HELD IN TRUST

Statement D, Promote C. Ex.	78,060.92	77,195.33
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NET WORTH

Statement B, General Fund	83,551.49	82,168.46
Statement D, Promote C. Ex.	112,195.28	107,825.09
Statement F, Pinebrook	726,766.76	691,725.96
Statement H, Min. R. Fund	<u>183,235.23</u>	<u>176,083.02</u>
Total Net Worth	1,105,748.76	1,057,802.53

Total Liabilities Trust

Funds & Net Worth	1,325,923.82	1,280,536.45
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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 various funds.

BALANCE SHEET (General Funds)

B.

ASSETS	1974	1973
Cash - General Fund	7,248.40	4,473.86
Cash - Moving Fund	1,173.86	847.36
Cash - Ministers' Assis. Fund	2,404.76	3,004.76
Cash - MCC Internship Fund	2,250.00	2,000.00
Total Cash	<u>13,077.02</u>	<u>10,325.98</u>
Accounts Receivable:		
Att. Fee, Pinebrook Con.	75.00	
Administrative Budget:		
Englishtown	120.75	
Freehold	50.00	
Howell Tnsp.	141.50	
Maple Glen	105.00	
Scranton	50.00	
Walnutport	<u>50.00</u>	
	517.25	755.00
Health & Welfare Fund:		
Howell Tnsp.	430.16	
Coopersburg	38.10	
P. J. C.	38.16	
Vic. Valley	<u>114.48</u>	
	620.90	766.66
Workmen's Compensation:		
P.J.C.	124.57	
Vic. Valley	<u>192.22</u>	
	316.79	—
Notes Receivable - General Fund		
Victory Valley	5,000.00	5,000.00
Brd. Of Pub. & Printing	1,800.00	2,500.00
Notes Receivable - Ministers' Assistance Fund:		
Brd. of Pub. & Printing	-	1,500.00
Victory Valley	<u>67,489.01</u>	<u>67,489.01</u>
Total Assets	88,895.97	88,336.65
LIABILITIES		
Prepayment, H & W. Wallford	114.48	90.19
Note payable Pinebrook Jr.		
College Contract	5,000.00	5,000.00
Account payable		
Workmen's Compensation In.	-	1,078.00

Prepayments to Ad. Budget Fleetwood	<u>230.00</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities	5,344.48	6,168.19

NET WORTH

Net Worth, 9/30/73	82,168.46	
Gain from Statement C	<u>1,383.03</u>	
Net Worth, 9/30/74	<u>83,551.49</u>	<u>82,168.46</u>
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	88,895.97	88,336.65

INCOME STATEMENT - General Funds C.

INCOME	1974	1973
Administrative Budget	40,648.13	38,976.56
Donations	180.21	10.00
Health & Welfare Insurance	4,016.16	5,092.38
Interest Income	304.42	691.67
Victory Valley Payment, Loan	<u>-</u>	<u>7,500.00</u>
Total Income	45,148.92	52,270.61

EXPENSES

Gift for Victory Valley	-	10,000.00
Interest to Victory Valley	-	375.00
Uncollected Pledges	-	1,098.16
Publication & Printing	2,000.00	2,005.73
Annual Conference Enter.	2,500.00	1,600.00
Beneficiary Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00
Health & Welfare Ins.	23,212.99	21,285.31
Ministers' Retirement Fund	9,500.00	30,307.86
Moving Fund	673.50	3,715.42
Ex., Brds. & Com. transacting Annual Confer. Business		
Agenda	36.29	
Membership	85.94	
Credentials	671.65	
Government	146.35	
Min. Cand.	306.09	
Nom. Com.	48.02	
Min. Relations	418.41	
Statistical	110.41	

Board of Dir.	301.72		
Pinebrook Joint			
Committee	<u>100.52</u>	2,225.40	2,413.26
Expenses, Brd. of Dir.		4.00	266.70
Ministers' Assistance Fund		2,200.00	1,421.80
Ministerial Convention		<u>450.00</u>	<u>433.35</u>

Total Budget Expenses	43,765.89	75,922.59
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Gain (loss) Transferred to Statement B	1,383.03	(23,651.98)
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D.

BALANCE SHEET - Fund to Promote Church Extension

ASSETS	1974	1973
Cash	20,118.76	16,231.07
Interest Rec. - Freehold	256.06	41.88
Interest Rec. - Howell Tnsp.	1,078.89	543.89
Notes Receivable - Belvidere	11,000.00	11,000.00
Notes Receivable - Denville	7,777.00	8,255.40
Notes Receivable - Finesville	2,826.40	3,009.36
Notes Receivable - Freehold	10,242.08	10,242.08
Notes Receivable - Howell	16,029.51	16,029.51
Notes Receivable - Franklin	13,703.96	13,703.96
Mortgage Rec. - Ch. of Naz.	8,683.14	9,300.00
Mortgage Receivable - Mt. Nebo Church, Bing'ton, N.Y.	3,943.00	4,666.61
Real Estate - Plainfield	42,760.00	42,760.00
Real Estate - Sinking Spring	43,884.69	43,884.69
Real Estate - Howell	32,314.76	32,314.76
Real Estate - Franklin	36,771.94	36,771.94
Real Estate - Freehold	<u>25,635.67</u>	<u>25,635.67</u>
Total Assets	277,025.86	274,390.82

LIABILITIES

Account Payable, Legal Holland Twp.	-	220.00
Notes Payable - Personal	10,000.00	11,000.00
Mortgage - Sinking Spring	21,161.91	21,161.91
Mortgage - Freehold	8,305.00	8,681.09
Mortgage - Howell	11,005.40	11,005.40
Mortgage - Franklin	16,391.94	16,881.44
Mortgage - Plainfield	<u>19,905.41</u>	<u>20,420.56</u>
Total Liabilities	86,769.66	89,370.40

FUNDS HELD IN TRUST

Freehold	17,330.67	16,954.58
Franklin	20,380.00	19,890.50
Howell Township	21,309.36	21,309.36
Sinking Spring	<u>19,040.89</u>	<u>19,040.89</u>
Total Funds held in Trust	78,060.92	77,195.33

NET WORTH

Net Worth, 9/30/73	107,825.09	
Gain, trans. - Statement E	<u>4,370.19</u>	
Net Worth, 9/30/74	<u>112,195.28</u>	<u>107,825.09</u>
Total Liabilities, Trust Fund and Net Worth	277,025.86	274,390.82

E.

INCOME STATEMENT - Fund to Promote Church Extension

INCOME	1974	1973
Interest Income	4,536.71	1,732.64
Sale of 424 Ridge, Emmaus	-	5,390.00
Sale of Holland Tnsp. Lot	-	3,503.46
Brd. of Ch. Ex. Payments on Plainfield Mortgage	<u>515.15</u>	<u>579.44</u>
Total Income	5,051.86	11,205.54

EXPENSES

Interest	<u>681.67</u>	<u>737.08</u>
Total Expenses	681.67	737.08
Net Gain transferred to Statement D	4,370.19	10,468.46

BALANCE SHEET - Pinebrook *

F.

ASSETS	1974	1973
Cash	37,811.00	15,776.00
Interest, Rec., Service Brd.	-	283.47
Note Payable, Service Brd.	3,600.00	-
Real Estate:		

Furniture & Equipment:

Pinebrook Service Board	60,642.24	60,642.24
Pinebrook Jr. College	14,697.61	14,697.61

Property:

Original Purchase	433,421.78	433,421.78
Marsh Property	15,369.30	15,369.30

Improvements to Buildings:

Admin. Building	4,044.63	3,842.88
Bunk House	12,461.92	12,461.92
Bus. Mgr. & Staff House	6,598.94	6,598.94
Camping Area, Shower, etc.	11,761.29	11,761.29
Chapel	683.90	683.90
Deluxe Cabins	8,774.59	8,774.59
Echobrook	14,563.95	14,494.54
Honeybrook	7,751.24	7,717.26
Kitchen & Dining Hall	12,060.23	12,060.23
Maintenance Building	301.03	301.03
Music Platform	238.28	238.28
Nearbrook	403.93	403.93
Outdoor Pool	2,472.34	2,472.34
Overbrook	47,862.03	47,862.03
Pine Lodge	1,023.50	1,023.50
Snack Shop	5,321.01	5,321.01
Sunnybrook	2,711.24	2,705.79
Viewbrook	209.32	209.32
Truck	2,800.00	2,800.00
Sewage Plant	69,181.46	59,802.78

Total Assets	776,766.76	741,725.96
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LIABILITIES & NET WORTH

Note Payable - 1st National Bank

Allentown	50,000.00	50,000.00
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Net Worth, 9/30/73	691,725.96	
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Gain, transferred from

Statement G	35,040.80	
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Net Worth, 9/30	726,766.76	691,725.96
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Total Liabilities & Net Worth	776,766.76	741,725.96
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* This fund represents investments of Pinebrook made by and through the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church.

INCOME	1974	1973
Contributions, P.P.&L Land Easement Settlement	35,000.00	-
Contributions, Individuals	575.00	9,884.61
Contributions, Churches	150.00	175.00
Interest	<u>5,068.67</u>	<u>918.46</u>
Total Income	40,793.67	10,978.07
EXPENSES		
Interest	3,677.87	364.71
Legal Fees	<u>2,075.00</u>	<u>128.98</u>
Total Expenses	5,752.87	493.69
Net Gain, transferred to Statement F	35,040.80	10,484.38

BALANCE SHEET - Ministers' Retirement Fund H.

ASSETS	1974	1973
Cash	42,361.37	63,614.75
Cash - Savings & Loan Acc.	6,740.78	5,806.02
Interest Rec., P. J. C.	-	1,200.00
Stocks & Bonds (see footnote)	101,412.81	71,411.81
Dividend Receivable	237.50	-
Notes Receivable:		
Pinebrook Jr. College, 6%	18,872.08	20,000.00
Paradise Church, 6%	3,610.69	4,405.44
Victory Valley, 6%	8,000.00	10,000.00
Lancaster Church, 8%	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Assets	183,235.23	176,083.02
LIABILITIES & NET WORTH		
Liabilities		
Net Worth, 9/30/73	176,083.02	
Gain, Statement I	<u>7,152.21</u>	
Net Worth 9/30	<u>183,235.23</u>	<u>176,083.02</u>

Total Liabilities & Net Worth	183,235.23	176,083.02
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Footnote: The Book Value of this portfolio is as follows:

100 shares Phila. Electric Co. PFD 9.50%	10,000.00	
200 shares Penns. Power & light Co., PFD 4.5%	21,536.81	
200 Chase Manhattan Corp. Bonds	20,001.00	-
25 U.S. Treasury Notes 7 1/2% due 8/15/76	24,875.00	
75 shares Red Hill Savings & Loan 5 1/4%	15,000.00	
1 savings Certificate, 1st Penns. Bank & Trust Co. Phila., (5 3/4% comp. daily)	10,000.00	
Total Stocks and Bonds	101,412.81	

* 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 F, 1972 Yearbook.

I. INCOME STATEMENT - Ministers' Retirement Fund

INCOME	1974	1973
Contr. from Admin. Budget	9,500.00	8,500.00
Contr. from Pastors	4,242.96	4,105.20
Dividends	1,137.50	900.00
Interest Income	8,622.05	6,330.10
Sale of 1218 E. Rosemont Dr. Bethlehem, Pa.	-	29,269.13
Total Income	23,502.51	49,104.43
EXPENSES		
Annuities Paid	16,350.30	11,553.41
Total Expenses	16,350.30	11,553.41
Net Gain, transferred to Statement H.	7,152.21	37,551.02

Jansen E. Hartman, Chairman; Carl C. Cassel, Frank L. Herb, Jr., Horace A. Kauffman, Byron C. Cassel, James R. Cressman, John H. Riggall, James A. Beil, Robert W. Gehret, BOARD

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS (Year Ending 9/30/74)

“Go ye and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world” (Matthew 28:19,20).

It is from this well-known and well-worn text that we take our present starting point, on the ground that these words are not confined to the official representatives of the Church whom we call the clergy, but that they give a general direction to the whole body of the Christian people, or the church. The passage states, “all Christians are commanded to go.” The word is not “stay and teach,” but “go.” The word “teach” implies two things: the one teaching how to become Christians, the other teaching Christians what to observe. Let the promise be noted, and that its condition is obedience to the preceding demand, so that if we go and teach, and teach all, then Christ pledges Himself to be with us; to be present to the end of the world, and to be present as the words mean, every day of such a life and duty.

The work laid upon Christians by the Lord is that of reaching in the double sense as mentioned above. We must teach sinners how to take their place at the Lord's feet.

First, it is the work that carries out the purpose of the Lord's atoning death. He died that sinners might be saved through His precious blood.

Second, it is the work which is nearest to the heart of God. God so loved the world that He gave His Son for this special end.

Third, it is the work for which there is pledged the whole power and grace of the Godhead. “All power is given unto ME in heaven and in earth; go ye therefore.” The power referred to in this passage is authority, but it implies that He who has the authority will use all His power to establish it.

Fourth, it is the work which love to men and belief in the awful doom of sinners, and belief in God in heaven, calls every one to undertake and carry out.

And the question is raised, “How is the work of bringing sinners to the feet of Christ to be done, as far as we instrumentally can do it?” The answer is, “Ye shall be witnesses

unto Me'' (Acts 1:8).

Are you allowing the Lord to use you as HIS WITNESS?

The command is to "GO!" There are those who can't go and the Lord knows the reason. But we ALL can GO as Sandra Goodwin expresses in her poem "Traveling on My Knees."

Last night I took a journey
To a land far 'cross the seas;
I didn't travel by boat or plane,
I travelled on my knees.

I saw so many people there
In deepest depth of sin,
And Jesus told me I should go.
That there were souls to win.

But I said, 'Jesus, I can't go
And work with such as these.'
He answered quickly, 'Yes, you can
By travelling on your knees'

He said, 'You pray; I'll meet the need,
You can and I will hear;
Be concerned about lost souls,
Of those both far and near....

And so I tried it, knelt in prayer,
Gave up some hours of ease;
I felt the Lord right by my side
While travelling on my knees.

As I prayed on and saw souls saved
And twisted bodies healed,
And saw God's workers' strength renewed
While laboring on the field.

I said, 'Yes, Lord, I have a job,
My desire Thy will to please;
I can go and heed Thy call
By travelling on my knees.'

The Board met four times during the year, conducting and transacting the business of Foreign Missions. The members of the Board were faithful in their attendance and gave excellent advice, counsel and spiritual help to the missionaries interviewed.

At the present time the Bible Fellowship Church is supporting 42 missionaries and their families, under 16 mission boards.

During the year Douglas and Lois Emr were appointed missionaries to work under the Africa Inland Mission in Newark, N. J. Before the year was ended the Emrs were called to work in an integrated church in Philadelphia. Keith and Carol Anderson, from our Terre Hill Church, have been accepted as missionary candidates to serve in Ecuador under the Berean Mission. They are planning to leave for Texas in the beginning of the year for language study. Paul and Betty Everhart, members of the Wallingford Church were accepted as missionary candidates and will serve the Lord in Alaska under the Arctic Mission. The Joe Hoffman family has requested to have their names removed from the active missionary list until a later time. Connie Hartman, appointed for one-year service in Austria, will go back to serve for an indefinite period. Two of our missionaries, Dorothy Harley and Shirley Ream, were hospitalized and underwent surgery. Continued prayer is requested for these choice servants of the Lord.

Several missionaries were home on furlough during the year. The Ritters and Moyers were in the States for a short time. The Harleys and Stengeles will remain in the States for one year, returning to the field, the Lord willing, sometime during the Spring of 1975.

Moses Chow, director of the Ambassadors for Christ, moved the headquarters from Washington, D. C. to Paradise, Pa. The Dykes left for India on June 24. The Bakers returned to Africa in January of this year. William and Holly Campbell have had a long time of testing in Morocco. They were brought before the courts to testify concerning their work and preaching the Gospel. At the time of this writing nothing definite has been determined concerning the outcome of the trial.

We give thanks to the Lord for His faithfulness in dealing with all of our missionaries. Several have undergone testing, but God was with them. They have reached out as far as they could by faith and are trusting the Lord to do the rest for their lives. They deserve all our support.

The Board gratefully acknowledges the generous giving from members and friends of the Bible Fellowship Church which continues to make possible the granting of support to our dedicated and consecrated missionaries. Giving to the mission-

ary program has increased some during this year and we are praying that the Lord will continue to lay the matter of missions upon all the hearts of His children. How long we will have to bear the witness into all the world, only the Lord knows. His business requires haste!

Many expressed their interest and desire concerning a home for our furloughed missionaries. Gifts are still being received for this purpose. Almost \$30,000 has been invested and held in reserve for this project.

The Women's Missionary Societies have done well again this year in helping to meet the needs of our missionaries.

Regional meetings of the various societies were held during the spring and fall with much interest shown. Not every region is large but the interest is high for missions. We are happy for the new region in the New Jersey area among the "baby churches" and the concern they have to reach out with the gospel. To many of the ladies in the New Jersey area the work of missions is something new. Praise the Lord for their concern. The Annual Conference-Wide Missionary Rally was held in Bethlehem on May 9 with more than 375 in attendance. Missionaries taking part were: Betty & Herb Dyke, Dorothy & Barclay Harley. The Ukrainian Gospel Singers, sponsored by the Pocket Testament League, provided music and testimonies during the two sessions. Carl Moyer, missionary to Tanzania, gave the closing message and challenge.

As General Secretary, I have worked under the direction of the Board of Foreign Missions, carrying out the responsibilities and duties of the Board. It was great joy to work with men whose interests are for missions and who are willing to back up their interest with great action. I thank the Lord for His wisdom and strength given to me during the year, and for the brethren who are so understanding and helpful.

While the day of GRACE is still upon us, let us ALL proclaim Jesus Christ as Saviour of those that put their trust in Him. Praise the Lord!

Maranatha, (O Lord Come)

David E. Thomann, General Secretary

The Board makes the following recommendation:

The General Secretary be elected for a term of three

years and the Board be divided into three classes:

2 pastors and 2 laymen to be elected for 1 year

1 pastor and 1 layman be elected for 2 years

1 pastor and 1 layman be elected for 3 years

Thereafter each class shall be elected for 3 years.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts from Churches for 1973-74 use		154,260.32
Expenditures (Missions)		
Africa Inland Mission	28,318.00	
Ambassadors for Christ	3,400.00	
Christian & Missionary Al.	15,900.00	
Evangelical Alliance	8,616.00	
Greater Europe Mission	22,988.00	
International Students, Inc.	5,780.00	
International Com. of Christ.	2,400.00	
Latin America Mission	8,007.50	
New Tribes Mission	1,200.00	
North Africa Mission	4,500.00	
Orinoco River Mission	7,510.00	
Pocket Testament League	3,395.00	
Unevangelized Fields Mission	3,575.00	
West Indies Mission	6,675.00	
World Radio Missionary Fel.	8,608.00	
Wycliffe Bible Translators	6,436.00	137,308.50
Board	403.63	
Electric and Utilities	656.96	
Fellowship News	112.50	
Mileage	390.35	
Missionaries, special	4,861.24	
Miscellaneous	375.63	
Printing & Publicity	150.45	
Postage	133.87	
Rents	3,120.00	
Secretary honorarium	1,000.00	
Supplies	66.09	
Phone	83.10	
Year Book	39.00	
Missionary Internship	726.00	12,122.73
		149,431.23
Transferred to Housing Fund		4,800.00
Receipts from churches over expenses		29.09
		154,260.32

Other Receipts:

Interest	16,768.60	
Miscellaneous	415.49	
Rents	435.00	
Specials	<u>4,724.22</u>	22,343.31
Balance of receipts over expenditures		22,372.40
Received from churches for 1974-75		164,919.91
Received from other sources		<u>22,343.31</u>
Total		187,263.22

Housing funds held in certificates in Red Hill, Harleysville Savings and Loan and Merchants Bank of Emmaus.

Other money held in certificates and savings in the Harleysville and Red Hill Savings & Loan and First National Bank of Pen Argyl.

Checking account held in Harleysville National Bank.

Accounts and books audited by Charles Wieand, C.P.A.

MISSIONARY ALLOWANCES

Africa Inland Mission

Baker, Mr. & Mrs. Sterling	8,550.00	
Bigley, Rev. & Mrs. James	10,700.00	
Gehman, Rev. & Mrs. Richard	6,425.00	
Rawn, Miss Olive	3,000.00	
Emr, Mr. & Mrs. Douglas	5,000.00	33,675.

Ambassadors for Christ

Moses Chow	3,600.00	3,600.
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Christian & Missionary Alliance

Dyke, Mr. & Mrs. Herbert	7,980.00	
Stengele, Mr. & Mrs. Laird	7,920.00	15,900.

Evangelical Alliance Mission

Buck, Rev. & Mrs. Leonard	8,925.00	8,925.
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Greater Europe Mission

Butler, Rev. & Mrs. Brian	6,400.00	
Hoyle, Mr. & Mrs. Ron	8,100.00	
Ritter, Mr. & Mrs. Don	8,425.00	
Frank, Rev. & Mrs. Walter	1,200.00	24,125.

International Community of
Christians

Hartman, Miss Connie	2,400.00	2,400.
International Students, Inc.		
Shelling, Mr. & Mrs. Ted	5,900.00	5,900.

Latin America Mission		
Solt, Dr. & Mrs. David	6,750.00	
Solt, Miss Lillian	2,000.00	8,750.
New Tribes Mission		
Ream, Mrs. Shirley	1,200.00	1,200.
North Africa Mission		
Campbell, Dr. & Mrs.	4,500.00	4,500.
Orinoco River Mission		
Harley, Rev. & Mrs. Barclay	7,600.00	7,600.
Pocket Testament League		
Poysti, Mr. & Mrs. Earl	3,400.00	3,400.
Unevangelized Fields Mission		
Kauffman, Mr. & Mrs. Tim	3,900.00	3,900.
West Indies Mission		
Moyer, Rev. & Mrs. Edward	6,900.00	6,900.
World Radio Missionary Fel.		
Manney, Mr. & Mrs. David	8,800.00	8,800.
Wycliffe Bible Translators		
Hoffman, Mr. & Mrs. Aaron	3,200.00	
Hoffman, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph	6,900.00	10,100.

R. C. Reichenbach, Chairman; David E. Thomann, Secretary; Kermit K. Gehman, Treasurer; Roy Hertzog, Austin G. Shelly, Paul G. Zimmerman, Robert Breitegam, James R. Cressman, Paul Truett, BOARD

The Lord has supplied the Bible Fellowship Church with devoted, consecrated missionaries who are doing a great job in spreading the gospel to the ends of the earth. Ministries are found in literature and Bible translation, construction and technical assistance, education, medicine, radio and television and establishing churches. The work that the Campbells are doing in Morocco is not spectacular, but they are doing God's will in a land that is difficult. Moses Chow, laboring with his own people, is finding a fruitful ministry in the United States. The supervision that Dave Manney has undertaken in Ecuador has proven again to be successful in the eyes of the Lord in the reaching of countless number of people for Christ. Church planting in Guadeloupe by the Moyers has seen results which honor the Lord. Sweden has always been a difficult land to work in and at times the going was hard, but again the Lord is using the Ritters in a ministry that is used on a one-to-one basis. The work of International Students, laboring among foreign students in these United States by the Shellings, is rewarding. Many students, hearing the gospel for the first time in America, have gone back to their native land with changed lives. Working behind

the scenes with the New Tribes Mission, Shirley Ream is doing a useful ministry among students studying for mission work. Please pray for all of our missionaries.

The following reports have been submitted by our missionaries. Read them carefully, then pray and give of your money to continue to help support them on the field.

MISS OLIVE RAWN: Greetings once again for the yearly report. The Lord has been good and I greet you all in His precious Name.

How quickly the year flies by and I praise the Lord for His hand upon me through another year. It has been a full and busy year in all ways.

My children's class on Saturday afternoon has continued and 2 girls from the medical work have come to help and do some of the teaching too and are doing well. My big thing is to have the lessons translated in time for them to study. We have had a few professions of faith through the year. The crowds have not been so large more recently and that is better to keep order and for teaching. But some seem to drop off when they get to a certain age. The boy, Tito, that seemed so promising in learning the verses and beginning to read the Bible has not come for a long time. I see him on the path at times and he is friendly but I can't get him back. His little brother, Yona, still comes at times. Pray for our Medical children and Teacher's children -- they are so lax in coming and seem to act that they have had enough of the Word. I fear some reflects the home attitude - or they would be encouraged to come.

Hospital work is ever busy at Oicha. (Yonama) Angwandia is doing a good job in leading the hospital work - not an easy task to do. He will have his vacation in August and we will be looking to the Lord to keep difficult operative cases back -- for we wouldn't have someone for emergency surgery. Grafele, who was out of the work for one year is back -- pray for him. Benjamin makes no effort to be right with the Lord -- pray for him. His daughter has just left the work -- due to a pregnancy out of wedlock. She was one of the Midwives and capable too. The last of the local Midwives will be married August 3rd and so we are at the lowest ebb again for maternity help.

Jewell continues to train young girls and some of this year's

class will now go on to midwifery study - will take a while until they are responsible. We have the girls from further North continuing to help -- but we are fearful of a restless spirit among some.

Classes will be begun for some of the aides in the hospital work, too. The young men are looking for more schooling. They will have classes for those in the work first. So Oicha will again be somewhat of a place of schooling. Helpers are needed and without some training it is very difficult.

I continue to be Hospital Treasurer - takes a lot of time in the book work and I'm still learning -- never had that proper classroom training! Since the Crossman's left I have the station books likewise. They don't take as long but to keep check on the fuel supply, etc. for our electrical works, etc. all takes a constant check on things.

The Hospital bought Mr. Crossman's truck when he left and that is something else to keep a check on. Yona is the driver for it -- when he is gone the mechanic for the station is gone! Olive can start the motor, etc. but she has not done the water system for pumping the water. We are trusting to have another responsible man come and learn with Yona to be a helper. Pray that we'll be getting the right one -- there are too many things in use to guard. Thieving is getting to be a big problem all over. My cook had poles for his cookhouse and many were stolen one night. No wonder he was sort of far off some days in the work, after all the expense he put in to get them.

Pray as we adjust with new personnel this year -- Ericksons -- school and church; Wikert's MCC couple for schools; Margaret Clapper coming back to Pygmy and Bible school work; Nina Smith with the orphans and school -- still not well physically; Jean and Beth Schram in the leprosy work and Jewell and I in the hospital work.

My physical problem at the end of the year seems to be OK. The report came back negative and so I praise the Lord and want to serve Him with the strength He gives daily. I'm not quite to my second youth as yet -- like my rest time each afternoon to keep going in the evenings. Tonight isn't the best way -- Jewell must have had to call for more work in surgery, for the lights continue to burn and thus you are getting my letter! It is 10 p.m. and 1/2 hour extra so far in having lights. What would you do if each evening lights went off at 9:30? Light another lamp as I do sometimes for finishing up some book that I just want to be sure I don't forget

where I was!

I thought with Margaret's coming I'd have to make a move in where I live. But the David Downings will go to Aba as they return instead of staying here. The Church has asked if they would consider working there. The medical work needs help there too -- and we have to trust the Lord to work out for us here as furlough time comes around -- Jean goes next year and I should be in '76, D.V. Perhaps the Lord will come back first and we won't need to be concerned. What a wonderful day that will be to see our precious Lord face to face and praise and thank Him for all He has done for us.

Thank you one and all and all the Bible Fellowship Churches in their interest and prayers for me. I do covet your continued prayers and help daily for me and each of our fellow workers.

I want to be faithful in praying for you folk too. As I get letters I can pray more intelligently and I do try and write and answer too. Be patient with me in my writing too.

Olive Rawn

THE HARLEYS: Furlough for the Harleys began in April, 1974 instead of June as had been planned because of the serious illness of Dorothy's father with leukemia. This early arrival in the United States allowed the discovery in Dorothy of a tumor which proved in this case to be malignant. A mastectomy was performed on her on July 15, 1974 and a five-week series of cobalt treatments followed. Trusting the Lord for complete healing, a return for further service is planned for the end of furlough. A continuing ministry with the houseboat of the Orinoco River Mission - the "Buena Esperanza"



(Good Hope) is planned to further the growth of Christ's Church with teaching among the Christians and an outreach in evangelism in some of the many still unreached areas of the Orinoco River Basin. The two youngest children, Susan Cae and Robert Glenn, will return to Venezuela to continue their education at the Orinoco Academy, the boarding school for missionaries' children.

Barclay and Dorothy Harley

THE BIGLEYS: The Bigleys began their missionary service in 1962. They are now serving in their third term.

James: is the assistant caterer at the Rift Valley Academy, specializing in training nationals in the art of cooking and baking. He has 15 men under his supervision of whom 8 are cook and baker trainees. The training program includes field trips to commercial bakeries and restaurants as well as classes at R.V.A.

Every week Jim travels many additional miles as sales representative for the Africa Inland Church Literature Department. He sells Bibles, New Testaments, hymnals and A.I.C. publications to national retail outlets.

Renee: is a wife, mother, private duty nurse and nursing instructor at the Kijabe Medical Center. She handles all the resident doctor's appointments for her fellow missionaries and private patients. Instruction classes with the student nurses, as well as ward supervision give Renee many opportunities to witness for Christ.



THE BIGLEY FAMILY

The Bigley Home: is youth-oriented among the students of R.V.A. with young people's meetings, class sponsorship and Sunday school classes.

Their sons are Jimmie, a ninth grade student; Joel, seventh; Jon, fourth; and Jay in the second grade.

The Bigleys would greatly appreciate your continual prayer support for the above ministries. They are very conscious of your faithfulness to them throughout the year and are very grateful for such good Christian friends and prayer partners.

James and Renee Bigley

THE BAKERS: After a short furlough, the Bakers returned to Kijabe, Kenya on January 9, 1974 for a third term.

Sterling is team teaching in grades five and six at the Rift Valley Academy where Kimberly is in grade four and Keith grade ten. Four hundred eight students were enrolled last year at R.V.A. from the church in Kenya and forty-two mission organizations working in thirteen African countries. Sterling is assisting in developing a Boys' Brigade Program and coaching soccer. Sterling and Delores are co-sponsoring Keith's tenth grade class. This provides a great opportunity to encourage these young people in the ways of the Lord.



Delores has recovered from her kidney problem enough to work periodically in the operating room of Kijabe Hospital. She continues to be on daily medication.

On Sundays Sterling works with Kijabe Bible School students in small local churches. A temporary church building has been erected at Largonott Town while some twenty-five believers have been added to Kenton Town Church during the past year.

Continuing in prayer for God's richest blessings on your ministries for the Lord.

We remain with "deep appreciation" for the faithful support of the family over the years.

Sterling and Delores Baker

MISS LILLIAN SOLT: Goodwill Caravans takes as its example the ministry of Jesus Christ: "Teaching...preaching...healing" (Matthew 9:35). Desiring to help meet the needs of the rural Costa Ricans, the Caravans take doctors, nurses, agronomists, dentists and literacy experts to a given rural area. With the cooperation of the community leaders, the team works for five days -- treating the sick, pulling teeth, helping the agriculture problems and selling literature.

Man's deepest need is to know God, and the desire to share Christ and His love is the motivation behind all of our activities. Throughout the day, there are opportunities for evangelism through personal contacts, children's classes and the book table. In the evenings there are services which include preaching, singing and Christian films to which all are invited. An important aim is always to strengthen and encourage the local church.

That, however, is just part of the job. The Caravan team also tries to teach the importance of preventing illness through such things as proper diet, sanitary facilities, the boiling of drinking water, wearing shoes and brushing teeth. These are basic needs which often go unrecognized by the poor people. But because of the Caravan team has shown genuine concern for their everyday problems, the people are more ready to listen to the teaching. Change comes slowly, but there is exciting evidence of the progress being made.

Apart from the Caravan ministry we also work one dispensary in the northern part of the country, and participate in the department of Family Well-being. The latter is a special department of Goodwill Caravans dedicated to helping families in the poor barrios of San Jose.

My secondary job while we are not on a Caravan is to work on educational materials. Presently I'm working in the area of tapes to be played all day while the people sit around waiting in line for their medical consultations. You see, the only answer to their real problems is not incurative but preventive medicine.

Lillian Solt

THE BUTLERS: Brian and Maureen, with their children (Clare 17, Stephen 14, and Michael 11) are working at Moorlands Bible College in England (under the Greater Europe Mission).

Moorlands is near the city of Bournemouth, almost exactly in the middle of the south coast. It is about 30 miles from Southampton.

Moorlands Bible College was founded in 1948 but in 1970 the Greater Europe Mission was asked to assume responsibility for its continuation. The Butlers were appointed to the staff in late 1971 after several years of association with the Bible Fellowship Church.

Brian has many responsibilities in the college. He lectures in Christian Doctrine and Practical Theology. He is also the College Librarian, and is in charge of the acquisition and processing of books. Maureen also helps in this aspect of the work, since she is a professional librarian. Brian also has been choir director and has taken the College choir into churches and given concerts in the area around the college.

The Butlers spend quite a lot of their time counselling students both on a formal and informal basis. They open their home on Friday evenings to groups of students for relaxation and fellowship.

The Butlers also have been increasingly burdened for work among foreign students. Bournemouth is the second largest center (outside London) in Britain for English language institutes. Something like 50,000 foreign students from virtually every country in the world come to Bournemouth for periods of 3 weeks to 6 months to learn English. This is a tremendous mission field, and the Butlers have sought to make contact and offer a Christian testimony to some of these students. They hope to increase their work in this area during the coming year.

They are also involved in helping at a local evangelical church near their home. Maureen leads a Bible class for young teens, and they have a Bible study each week in their home. Brian is out preaching in different churches for about two out of three Sundays.

Life is very busy, but in view of the many things to be done, and the swift passing of time, there is nothing to compare with the Lord's work. In view of this, they covet the prayers of God's people to sustain and strengthen them, and thus to

share in this ministry.

Brian and Maureen Butler

MISS CONNIE HARTMAN: Austria, with its fairytale-like enchantment, is one of the most spiritually dark countries in Europe. This past year the Lord made it possible for me to share His light in the area around Villach in southern Austria. Our ministry attempts to reach people of all ages. Children's work consists of six clubs which we hold in three different villages. Many of these children come from socially deprived homes, so they eagerly accept our love and interest. Our Saturday evenings are spent with a small group of teens who come to our mission house for a social and devotional time.

We also attempt to reach people through our Sunday services and three other meetings during the week. Our outreach is broadened through the ministry of our choir which meets to practice once a week. Many of the songs are in the local dialect in an attempt to reach people in the language they understand best.

Perhaps the most difficult and yet most rewarding work I'm involved in is the area of home visitation. I praise God for each open door and heart. I am excited about future possibilities for home Bible studies and other ministries as more people are willing to let His light dispel their darkness.

Connie Hartman

THE SOLTS: We want to thank you and the Bible Fellowship Churches for your continuing support both financially and prayerfully, and now to Lillian as well. The Lord bless you for your faithfulness.

We have had a good summer with our boys and we have been able to get quite a bit of work done because they were here to help. We were able to do work at the stations in Central America and of course get to see Lillian, taking her shipment with us. We praise the Lord that we had no trouble whatsoever at the borders.

Probably our greatest reason for rejoicing this year is that we saw the graduation of close to 30 students that we have been teaching during the past four years; 10 from the Baptist Seminary who are all in full-time pastorates now and 18 from our Presbyterian Theological Education by Extension Seminary have been licensed and should be ordained within the next year. We have only 9 ordained Presbyterian pastors

in this presbytery and this will give us triple that number. Our hearts are rejoicing for this real advance.

Film showings have been increasing. We have 25 trained projectionists and 12 projectors and over a 1,000 film showings this past year. There were 100 during Easter week alone. We also placed a special TV children's program in Merida and got over 600 responses from the children which have been followed up with literature and a Rally.

With the help of the boys we have relocated the radio studio which will be used to increase our local radio programs broadcast from Merida. Though we have not been given a frequency as yet, there are signs that it may be forthcoming. Keep praying about this.



DR. & MRS. DAVID SOLT

Several groups of summer workers helped out in fixing up the Mission home where we are staying to accommodate more guests. We also built 30 benches for camp. The last two weeks of camp will be especially for pastors and their wives at which time we want to present a special Seminar on Church Growth and try to set some goals for next year. Pray that they may be realized and that we'll see real growth in the local churches during 1975.

Dave and Georgina Solt

THE STENGELES: This past year, just prior to returning home for our present furlough in June, 1974, we were engaged once again as houseparents for missionaries' children at Longcroft Hostel in Kodaikanal, South India. This hostel is located in the Palni Hills at a 7,000 foot elevation and is situated just about two city blocks from Kodaikanal

School which the children attend. It is an ideal location for this purpose and is very cool (sometimes cold) which makes it very conducive for studying. One does not have to constantly battle the heat nor try to concentrate in such extreme temperatures which exist on the plains.

In addition to our hostel duties as father and mother to the children who are living in the hostel with us about 1,000 miles from their parents on the plains of Central India (and this includes leading the "hostelites" in devotional periods) Laird taught 7th and 8th grade mathematics at the school, took charge of the intramural sports programs and assisted in the coaching of some of the sports and physical education classes. Laird also had occasions to speak in the mid-morning chapel. He also chaperoned some school field trips and sports engagements. Mary Ann taught and assisted in the 1st and 2nd grade classrooms, as well as teaching in the Sunday School on Sundays.

This was a very interesting and rewarding year of ministry at the hostel as we tried and endeavored to be like "real parents" to these many children who are away from their "real parents." It is a very important ministry, for the children must be taught and brought up with proper Christian discipline and nourishment early in their young lives.

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6.

Laird and Mary Ann Stengele

THE HOFFMAN: "For Thou art great and doest wondrous deeds; Thou art God" Psalm 86:10. We do praise the Lord for the wondrous deeds He has done for us this year. We praise Him for the good health and protection He has given us. Danny especially has had several illnesses and accidents that could have been serious and we praise the Lord for His care.

We praise the Lord for the good school situation we have here for our children.

We praise the Lord that we can be a part of the team here in Papua, New Guinea giving God's Word to the Bibleless languages and churches. Our part is in a support role -- doing our part so the translator can give full effort to linguistics, literacy and Bible translation. We praise the Lord for faithful friends who are praying for us and giving us the



THE AARON HOFFMAN FAMILY

financial support that enables us to be here.

Marlene is now working as the bookkeeper-secretary in the construction office. She continues to forward mail to those in the villages and on furlough.

Aaron's job consists of managing base construction and coordinating men and materials for translator's village houses. This has been a very busy year for building houses for translators in the village situation.

We praise the Lord as we see New Testaments being completed. Three New Testaments are in the hands of the people and eight more are ready for printing.

One of the exciting things is the national interest in vernacular literacy and a desire of Papua New Guineans to do Bible translation. In preparation for these programs we are sending teams to areas where national translators will be working to make up alphabets and do basic linguistic analysis. For the first time it looks possible to complete the job of giving the people of Papua New Guinea God's Word in their own mother tongue.

Aaron and Marlene Hoffman

THE HOYLES: Church activities in Amiens resumed in September 1973 with a dynamic layman leading the youth, and

a renewed ministry among pre-adolescents every other Saturday. Three French women and Doris taught the weekly Bible club for children. In November a special film-showing of Two-A-Penny at the University in cooperation with IVCF brought 120 youth together, followed by a showing in the church the next evening with 75 present. The Christmas program was attended by 100 people.

Of special interest was the arrival of four short-term missionaries in late September and a fifth in March. Being resident in the city during their language study gave the team the opportunity to adapt to the culture and the church families and to be involved in youth activities and IVCF.

At the Annual meeting in February, seven adults requested membership in the church. During the first six months of 1974 a monthly Friday evening meeting was held where the practical problems of couples were considered in light of Scriptures as well as a monthly Sunday afternoon training session for evangelism for adults.

Special evangelistic outreach included a concert by a converted night-club singer, the distribution of Gospel tracts in 30,000 homes and apartments in Amiens and the sale and distribution of Christian literature at a State Fair booth for eleven days. A Bible stand is manned each Saturday and Sunday at the local markets.

Monthly offerings average \$425 and indebtedness on the property valued at \$65,000 is presently at \$3,000.

The Hoyles spent three busy weeks heading up the youth camp in August. Two teen-age girls were converted and others grew in the Lord. Our praise to God for the steady progress made in renovation work -- four new rooms added this summer.

Ron and Doris Hoyle

THE DYKES: With what swiftness the year of furlough flew by! We missed out on some of the rich fellowship in the B.F. Churches by being in Nyack, N. Y., but we do feel that the Lord had led it that way for the children's sake. We have given the General Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions a detailed account of places visited and the generous way in which you have treated us. Between the two of us we visited 22 churches and had 38 meetings with you excluding the Sunday school exposures. As you are aware we serve with the Christian and Missionary Alliance and are required to go on



two tours during the furlough year. Herb was away from home for about 15 weeks on these tours -- one in Canada and one in North and South Carolina. He had some 65 meetings in some 36 churches making a total of somewhere around 68 churches and 115 meetings for both of us.

We left New York on the 24th of June ('74) and arrived in India on the 27th with a day's stopover in Rome. Even though our passports have not been found we have obtained new ones and trust no one will try to use them wrongly. Our unaccompanied luggage came through with very minor damage, but with heavy duty. We shall enjoy our things the more -- at least we should!

We are stationed at Amravati and shall oversee some work developing in Nagpur 90 miles to the east. There are hundreds we should minister to in the rural areas to the west where we have lived and served before. Our hearts cry out for an anointing from the Lord that will break through the sin and lethargy surrounding us. Please intercede on our behalf. Already there are opening up opportunities to speak in Youth rallies and some regular ministries as the leading of devotions in a Christian hostel. We have met several non-Christian families and trust we can be a constant witness to them.

With much gratitude to God for His faithfulness and many thanks to wonderful friends we look for an unprecedented harvest in India because so many of you will be praying for us.

Herb and Betty Dyke

THE KAUFFMANS: A year has slipped by since our return to Zaire. It has been a stormy year, full of frustrations and bewilderments as the mission is endeavoring to fit into and work with the national church program. But then it is through the storms that we lean more heavily on the Lord and enjoy His presence and direction.

Various delays have arisen in our proposed move to the Ekoko station. However, the station has been re-opened. Our nurse has been moved up there during July and most of our furnishings and equipment are already there. As soon as our children are back in school at Rethy Academy, we will be making our final move there.

Our activities this past year included language study, assisting in a local church building project, transporting and purchasing supplies for various other stations, repairs and maintenance of mission vehicles and various other missionary chores.

Among other activities Wanda has successfully taken Brenda through her first grade course here at home.

As we begin work at Ekoko, our building program there will be minimal, therefore our type of ministry will be changed somewhat from our past term. We anticipate doing more direct work in the district churches along with the pastor whom we worked with at our last station.

We are expecting new blessings from the Lord as He directs us during the coming year.

Tim and Wanda Kauffman

THE POYSTIS: Our hearts are full of gratitude for the opportunity of being co-laborers with the Lord and to you for your faithful support and prayers in our behalf. Your support has enabled us to meet our financial needs and your prayers have upheld us in the battle of winning the lost for the Lord Jesus Christ.

The past year has been in many ways outstanding. Let me mention two examples.

First, we have witnessed a rapid growth of the work of broadcasting time and stations, as well as in the number of programs. The number of different weekly radio programs which we produce in the Russian language has nearly doubled. These programs are now beamed through seven stations totaling



THE HAPPY POYSTI FAMILY

twelve hours a week. Though our small staff is overworked yet we are thankful to the Lord for this opportunity to preach the Word to the Russian people while it is still possible.

Secondly, it has been a year of gathering much fruit. Under the present conditions, it is not possible for us personally to visit our target area, but with radio we visit daily hundreds and thousands of home. The information we receive from various sources tells us that the programs penetrate into every corner of Russia and that countless numbers listen. Many are accepting Christ as the Saviour of their lives. I would like to quote from a few letters we have received:

From the Soviet Union someone writes: "I greet you heartily brothers and sisters. Peace to you. Dear brother, we thank you for your constant concern for us. You showed to me the true way of life and happiness and I now rejoice with my new friends. I can't express it all in my little letter. I only want to ask you not to forget us in the future as well. I have the hope of soon meeting you all. Greetings to all of your young people."

Another person from the Soviet Union writes this: "How are you, dear editor? I don't know in what other way to address you. Recently I caught your program on my transistor. I liked it and I ask you please to send me the schedule of your programs, the day and the hour when it will be broadcast. I don't know what to do, for I stand at the dividing of the roads, between doubts and should I believe in God or not. I would ask you to send me at least one prayer about how God created

the earth and people. I await your answer with impatience. May the Almighty God protect you."

From Siberia a man writes: "I count it necessary to write to you that we are receiving blessings from your ministry. I underline especially your programs through which you seek to have contact with the listeners from our country, answer their questions and fulfill their requests. It will be pleasant for you to hear about my neighbor who used to live in the country where there were no Christians. After a long time of wavering he finally received salvation through one of your programs."

Last September, the Lord sent a young man, Vanja Peters, to work with us. He recently arrived from Russia. Vanja has proven to be a dedicated and tireless servant of the Lord. In addition to the heavy load of building programs, he and our three oldest sons have completely redone our studio to improve the quality of the programs and the efficiency of producing them.

We would very much appreciate your prayers for our work, that the Lord might give us the right words to meet the needs of our listeners. Pray for much additional workers to help us with the increasingly heavy workload. Pray also faithfully for our listeners, and our brothers and sisters in the Lord who are living under constant oppression and persecution.

Just as we finish writing this report, the Lord answered prayer about additional workers. A couple who are of German extraction, but born, raised and converted in Russia, have made themselves available for full-time service. Their names are Herrmann and Maria Hartfield. With perfect knowledge of the Russian language, active for several years in Christian service in Russia, and a "graduate" of a prison term for the Gospel, Herrmann and his wife are an answer to prayer beyond our fondest expectation. Please pray that the Lord will undertake for their support.

Earl and Pirkko Poysti

THE BUCKS: The Lord has continued to bless us and our work during the past year. As a family we have been well and we thank the Lord for the way He has cared for us as He always does.



TEAM'S LITERATURE BUILDING - CENTER OF ACTIVITY FOR THE BUCKS

Most of our activity has been centered about our work in TEAM's Literature ministry here in South Africa. July 25, 1974 marked our first anniversary in our new Literature Center. This new building has enabled us to expand our ministry in many ways. I am still managing our wholesale department and a staff of 10 people. We control a stock of books and Bibles worth over a quarter of a million dollars. It is encouraging and exciting to see how the Lord continues to meet with people through this medium of communication.

One lady found Christ through reading one of our books. She led her African servant to the Lord and now they conduct a Bible study each week for the servants in the residential area. A school teacher bought a copy of 'BY SEARCHING' by Isabel Kuhn, found the Lord and proceeded to lead several other teachers to the Lord.

As our literature work continues to grow spiritually and physically we can only thank the Lord for what "HE" has done through us. Praise the Lord with us and continue to pray for us.

Leonard and Nina Buck

THE GEHMANS: This past year has been filled with God's favor upon us and a wonderful sense of divine guidance. With a student body of 33 men and 2 girls from every part of Kenya and several other countries besides, we are involved daily



THE GEHMANS

in fulfilling Paul's charge to Timothy, "And the things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, these entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also" (II Timothy 2:1).

Our responsibilities generally include the following: teaching a full college academic load, supervising Christian Service ministries of students, working with several senior students as they pastor churches, preaching on Sundays in churches and schools, entertaining guests in the home and other responsibilities related to a school ministry. During the holidays there have been opportunities of speaking in youth camps.

A new opportunity was given to Dick to study and prepare instructional materials on African Traditional Religion during three months of release from teaching. This has been followed up by further research in the University Library and the collection of rare materials on the subject. The purpose is to relate Traditional Religion to the Christian faith so that our graduates will have a mature Biblical perspective on this contemporary issue.

As the year closed an added responsibility was given to Dick. With the prolonged illness of the Principal, Dick was made the acting Principal, and this in addition to a full load of teaching and plans for a concerted student-recruitment program in schools and churches every Sunday.

The partnership of friends in the Bible Fellowship Church

who support us and pray for us is deeply appreciated. "Unless the Lord build the house, they labor in vain who build it" (Psalm 127:1). Please continue to pray with us that God Himself by the Holy Spirit will be pleased to call forth many more young people and equip them for the ministry through His servants at Scott Theological College.

Richard and Flo Gehman

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCHES

(Change of address during the year will be given in the Fellowship News)

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 Harley, Rev. & Mrs. Barclay, 422 Elm Street, Emmaus, Pa. 18049 (phone 215-967-4567)
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Mexico
Solt, Miss Lillian, Apdo 10-250, San Jose, Costa Rica, Cen-
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10965

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Rev. & Mrs. Edward Moyer

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Opa Locka, Miami, Florida 33054

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WYCLIFFE BIBLE TRANSLATORS - P.O. Box 1960, 219 W.
Walnut St., Santa Ana, California 92702

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(Conference-Wide Rally, Second Thursday of May)

Region #1 (Ephrata, Harrisburg, Lancaster, Lebanon, Para-
dise, Terre Hill, York)

(Meetings - the last Monday of March and September)

Region #2 (Mt. Carmel, Shamokin, Sunbury)

(Meetings - the third Tuesday of March and September)

Region #3 (Blandon, Fleetwood, Graterford, Harleysville,
Hatfield, Quakertown, Reading, Royersford,
Sinking Spring, Spring City)

(Meetings - the fourth Tuesday of March and September)

Region #4 (Allentown, Bethel, Allentown, Cedar Crest, Cata-
sauqua, Emmaus, Lehighton, Nazareth, Walnut-
port, Zionsville)

(Meetings - the fourth Friday of March and September)

Region #5 (Allentown, Salem, Belvidere, Bethlehem, Coopersburg, Scranton, Stroudsburg, Easton, Finesville)

(Meetings - the third Thursday of April and September)

Region #6 (Maple Glen, Phila., Calvary, Phila., Emmanuel, Wallingford)

(Meetings - the last Thursday of March and September)

Region #7 (Denville, N. J., Staten Island, N. Y., Englishtown, Neptune, Franklin, Howell, Freehold, N. J.)



EPHRATA CHURCH - EDUCATIONAL BUILDING

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE

Four years of service as the President of our College has brought me to some new understandings and has confirmed some previously held opinions. When viewing these years as a whole I become profoundly aware of the mercy of God in providing strength to those who bear day to day responsibilities at Pinebrook Junior College. I believe that all of us have gained a deeper understanding of the monumental nature of the task that lies before us in seeking to establish a high quality throughly Christian Liberal Arts Junior College. Because of this we have also gained a new appreciation of the greatness of our God for He has sustained us during these years.

I believe we also have a new appreciation for the difficulty of reaching a Christian understanding of all things. We have also seen more clearly the great challenge of implementing Christian attitudes and actions in all phases of the life of the College.

While we would hope that we are the kind of persons who would be coming to new understandings all the days of our lives, it is also comforting to confirm some previously held notions. We have been confirmed in our conviction that there is a market of potential students and a need for a college like Pinebrook Junior College. While there are Christian colleges that are more highly developed than we are in many respects, very few Christian colleges are making as strenuous an effort to present all disciplines from a united Christian perspective.

We also remain convinced that the hearty support of Bible Fellowship Churches is crucial to our survival. On our part we reaffirm our commitment to serve the Bible Fellowship Church in any way that will be of benefit to our churches and consistent with our purposes. Along these lines, this past year an Evening College of the Bible was held in conjunction with the Emmaus Bible Fellowship Church. We have also created a speakers' bureau which makes our people available to you to speak on many topics in varied settings.

We are pleased that total enrollment for the fall of 1974 has reached ninety. This is the fifth successive increase in enrollment for which we praise the Lord.

Although we were able to balance our operating budget for the second consecutive year, financial stability has not yet been

achieved. Some way must be found during the next few years to liquidate debts which have grown out of past operating deficits. Any meaningful physical development awaits a solution of this problem.

On September 25-27 a team of evaluator, under the direction of the Pennsylvania Department of Education, conducted an evaluation of Pinebrook for the purpose of deciding whether Pinebrook should be recommended to the Secretary of Education for final approval as a degree granting institution. Pray with us as we await the receipt of the official findings of this team and the decision of the Secretary. We are presently pointing toward a visit by a team from Middle States in the Spring of 1975 to decide whether we might be accorded candidate status with that organization.

I praise the Lord for a concerned Board of Directors, a loyal, talented and dedicated group of colleagues and students who are anxious to learn. May our great God continue to sustain and enable us as we seek to honor Him through our College.

David J. Watkins, President

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PINEBROOK JUNIOR COLLEGE

The Board of Pinebrook Junior College met three times during the year to conduct business. Harvey J. Fritz, Jr. served as Chairman, Nicholas J. Sheetz, Secretary and Carlton R. Wentz, Treasurer. The Executive Committee also functioned during the year and each sub-committee entrusted with the oversight of a basic area of college life met with the administrator who bore the day to day responsibilities in that area. The basic areas of concern are Academic, Business, Development and Student Life. It is believed that the direct contact of the area administrators and the Board sub-committees is serving the purpose of helping the Board members to come one step closer to the operation of the College and it also gives the Administrators a deeper awareness of the concerns of the directors.

Final approval for charter revisions which are satisfactory both to our Board and the Department of Education was gained during the year.

The rank of Assistant Professor was created by the Board. John E. Brueckmann and Barry Traver were elevated to this

rank. Work is being continued in the implementation of a complete ranking system.

During the year the Board of Directors also mandated the beginning of a modest retirement program which it is hoped will be in operation before the end of the year.

A class of twenty-three, largest in the history of our College, graduated on May 4, 1974. A total student body of ninety, also the largest in our history, is registered for the fall semester, 1974.

John B. Harley, III has left the employ of the college after one year of service with the hope of entering seminary to prepare for the ministry. David A. Thomann has joined the professional staff as Director of Admissions and Director of Athletics. Mr. Alan Riggall has joined the full-time staff as Librarian.

New part-time instructors are: Dr. Arthur Amundsen - Psychology; Mrs. Lindsey Horsey - Voice & Piano; Mrs. Susan Wood - Women's Athletics

We are grateful that income exceeded running expenses for the second consecutive year; however, it is urgent that a way be found to liquidate debts growing out of past deficits. An increased student body, higher rate structure and a broadened base of giving are seen as three avenues to the solution of this problem. Pray and work with us toward this end.

On September 25-27, 1974, a team of educators under the direction of the Pennsylvania Department of Education visited our campus to determine whether the College should receive final approval to grant the Associate in Arts degree. We now await their official decision which should be rendered before the end of 1974.

Continued educational development and progress toward a more favorable financial situation were cited by the team as high priority concerns. Along with these concerns the team urged the College to seek consideration by the denomination of moving toward a self-sustaining Board of control. Since the Board has not had opportunity to study this recommendation, it has no recommendations to the Annual Conference concerning the matter at this time.

The Board has also authorized the administration to seek candidacy status with the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Dr. Elizabeth Woods of Middle

States is presently consulting with the College with the goal of a Middle States team visiting our campus in the spring of 1975.

We urge all saints to pray for Pinebrook Junior College each day.

We urge our churches to support Pinebrook Junior College at a level of four percent of their budget and that this support be remitted to the College in twelve monthly payments or four quarterly payments.

(Each Pastor and Delegate has been given a complete copy of the Audited Financial Report compiled by W. N. Serfass & Co. The following is considered by the Administration of the College to be the crucial financial area.)

BALANCE SHEET June 30, 1974

Assets:

General Funds:

General (Schedule 1)	14,534.09	
Restricted - Cash	<u>6,186.98</u>	20,721.07

Loan Funds:

Cash	327.77	
Loans - Receivable	<u>2,398.89</u>	2,726.66

Plant Fund (Schedule 1)		93,549.45
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Agency Funds (Schedule 1)		<u>1,918.93</u>
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Total Assets		118,916.11
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Liabilities:

General Funds:

Liabilities (Schedule 2)	59,147.71	
(Deficit)	<u>(38,426.64)</u>	20,721.07

Loan Funds:

Principal of Funds (Schedule 2)		2,726.66
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Plant Funds:

From Gifts & Current Funds		93,549.45
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Agency Funds:

Balance of Funds due to Others (Schedule 2)	<u>1,918.93</u>	
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Total Liabilities		118,916.11
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Condensed Statement of Current Income and Expenditures
For the Year Ended June 30, 1974

Income:

Educational & General

Student Fees	78,440.22	
Gifts & Grants		
Unrestricted	63,913.14	
Restricted	2,455.25	
General	<u>2,569.27</u>	147,377.88

Auxiliary Enterprises		<u>71,071.48</u>
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Total Income (Schedule 3)		218,449.36
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Expenditures:

Educational & General

Administration	51,585.44	
General Expense	28,420.57	
Instruction	48,481.59	
Library	6,846.94	
Operation & Main. of Plant	<u>8,897.55</u>	144,232.09

Auxiliary Enterprises		57,751.95
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Other Non-Educational Expense		<u>15,431.80</u>
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Total Expenditures (Schedule 4)		217,415.84
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Excess of Income Over (Under) Expenditures:

Educational & General	3,145.79
Auxiliary Enterprises	13,319.53
Other Non-Educational Transactions	<u>(15,431.80)</u>

Excess of Income over Expenditures -

Net (Exhibit C)	1,033.52
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David J. Watkins, President; Harvey J. Fritz, Jr., Chairman;
Nicholas J. Sheetz, Secretary; Carlton R. Wentz, Treasurer;
LeRoy S. Heller, James Herrold, Clyde W. Snyder, Warren
L. Zimmerman, William W. Mull, John H. Herb, Donald R.
Knauer, Barry Kauffman, Arthur Amundsen, BOARD

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PINEBROOK BIBLE CONFERENCE

... "Our help comes from the Lord..." Psalm 121:2

It is with deep gratitude to the Lord for His unfailing blessings upon our labors that I submit this final report as the Director of the Pinebrook Bible Conference. During these six years we have seen this ministry grow rapidly, so that during most of the year there is now insufficient room to accommodate all those who desire to come to Pinebrook.

After much thought and prayer, I submitted my resignation to the Chairman of the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board on May 24, 1974. I also have requested a leave of absence for an indefinite period. Many reports have been circulated concerning reasons for my resignation. The actual reason as very simply stated to the Bible Conference Board is as follows:

"Whereas, I do not believe that the Conference-Center type of ministry, which the Lord has shown to me, can be properly and fully developed with the use of Pinebrook's facilities by two organizations, and the multiplicity of denominational boards involved in the operation,

"Therefore, I hereby submit my resignation as Director of the Pinebrook Conference Center, effective September 15, 1974."

Our Lord by His Spirit has again met the supreme need of many individuals as evidenced by the professions of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ made at Pinebrook during the year. Others, who already had the assurance of salvation, made new commitments to our Saviour and realized more fully the blessings which are the portion of every believer. Several baptismal services were conducted at Pinebrook during the year by pastors from the Bible Fellowship Church and outside groups. It is unfortunate that, for the first time in our six years of experience at Pinebrook, the registrations for the Summer Bible Conference declined. There were several contributing factors. However, the reason given by most was the poor food service in the summer of 1973. Also some expressed fears concerning a gas shortage at the time when they would have sent in their registrations. Our meals improved this past summer and registrations next year should reveal a sizeable increase.

The "Pinebrook Presents" radio correspondence from

listeners has been steadily increasing during the year. Many writers express spiritual needs and others reveal much appreciation for this ministry. We are now airing the program in the metropolitan area of New York City and northern parts of New Jersey over an AM station with a potential listening audience of many millions. My son, Dale, who serves as the host of the broadcast, spends many long hours preparing the radio tapes and overseeing the correspondence. He also fills the position of Public Relations Director and Manager of the Book and Gift Shop. I owe a word of personal thanks for the talent the Lord has given to him and the sacrificial way in which he has assisted me at Pinebrook for several years in various capacities.

The Bible Conference Board has chosen as the new Director a man who has evidenced continual devotion and loyalty to the Bible Fellowship Church during his years as a pastor. May all our pastors and churches give Pastor Thomann the support he will need to serve successfully in this responsibility. I am pleased that, prior to his taking this new position, it was possible for me to have all the winter weekends completely filled. Also much of the work has been completed in obtaining personnel for the summer program.

I want to express my personal appreciation and thanks to the many groups and individuals from the Bible Fellowship Church who have supported the ministry at Pinebrook by their prayers and gifts. As my wife and I enter a new phase of ministry, we solicit the prayerful interest of God's people. Since moving to our new location the Lord has opened an opportunity to supply the pulpit for a congregation in our area and it appears the Word preached is bringing blessings to hearts.

A. L. Seifert

REPORT OF PINEBROOK CONFERENCE BOARD

Recently, the state of Illinois received national attention and acclaim for their efforts in saving human lives through their state wide emergency room treatment program. The governor of this state believes as many as twenty-five percent of the people who die due to accidents could be saved if treated soon enough. The financial cost of this program is in the millions. When questioned about the cost, the governor replied, "Who can put a dollar value on the worth of a life?"

The cost of operation of Pinebrook Bible Conference is, like everything else, continually rising. This past year our expenses rose to an all time high of \$286,795. Yes, the expense

is great but, we ask, who can estimate the value of souls?

Week after week throughout the year souls have been receiving spiritual emergency room treatment at Pinebrook and by the power of the Holy Spirit have been saved. "This is the Lord's doings, and it is marvelous in our eyes."

With these inestimable blessings, have also come some disappointments. The prime week of the summer was reserved for the Bible Fellowship Church. We did not operate at full capacity that week. We are of the opinion that with the proper emphasis given on the local level we could, and should, fill a week with our Bible Fellowship Church families. Some other weeks were also well below capacity reservations. We must continue to upgrade our facilities and food service if we are to continue to reach people with the Gospel through the Pinebrook ministries.

The Reverend A. L. Seifert submitted his resignation to our Board. We accepted the resignation with regret. Brother Seifert has been the director of Pinebrook Bible Conference since it was purchased six years ago. During this time he and his wife, Ruth, have given themselves without reservation to this ministry. He has been a director with vision and courage. Many of his proposals to the Board, are now realities. It is the desire of our Board that, as the Lord has been pleased to crown the efforts of our director with success in the past, He will continue to richly bless him in whatever field of service he labors.

We made the matter of the selection of a new director one of top priority and much prayer. We are indeed grateful to the Lord for providing this leadership in the person of David E. Thomann. On July 18 David E. Thomann was elected by a unanimous vote of our Board and he began his official duties on September 16, 1974. We call upon all our constituents to join with us in praying for and supporting our new director and his wife.

We wish to express appreciation to our Director of Public Relations and Manager of the Book Store, Mr. Dale Seifert. Only those intimately associated with Pinebrook could fully appreciate this young man's dedication to this ministry. We thank the Lord that Dale will continue to minister at Pinebrook in this capacity.

We also wish to express appreciation to those churches who have indicated their interest and support in this ministry by

placing the Pinebrook Bible Conference in their budgets.

We recommend the following:

1. That each church make a contribution to Pinebrook Bible Conference Board.
2. That the following duties of the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board be listed in the Bible Fellowship Church Faith & Order:
 1. It shall provide a year-round program for the proclamation of the Gospel.
 2. It shall have the oversight of the spiritual ministry of all conferences and convocations planned throughout the year.
 3. It shall elect annually the Pinebrook Conference Director. The Director shall be the executive and administrative officer of the Pinebrook Bible Conference Program.
 4. It shall be responsible for promoting its ministry and program.
 5. It shall apply to the Service Board for the facilities needed by them to execute the program they have developed.
 6. It shall review the adequacy of existing facilities and make recommendations to the Service Board for improvements and additions.
 7. It shall promote the use of our facilities by evangelical groups in order to have the facilities occupied as close to capacity as possible throughout the year.

Amount brought forward	26,275.18
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GENERAL FUND

Balance	8,216.56	
Receipts	280,253.63	(Schedule I)
Expenses	<u>286,794.80</u>	(Schedule II)
Balance		1,675.39

AUDITORIUM FUND

Balance	11,240.36	
Receipts	2,904.45	
Expenses	<u>800.00</u>	
Balance		13,344.81

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CARPET FUND

Balance	(181.74)	
Receipts	(181.74)	
Balance		-----

RESERVE RADIO FUND

Balance	7,000.00	
Expenses	7,000.00	
Balance		-----

Total		15,020.20
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SCHEDULE I

Receipts:

Convocations		242,939.86
Gifts		4,148.44
Offerings		10,746.96
New Auditorium		2,904.45
Radio		8,822.98
Missions		221.50
Miscellaneous		
Dining Room	378.00	
Telephone refunds	1,109.70	
Bookstore refund	1,000.00	
Radio Reserve Fund	7,000.00	
Gymnasium Fund	800.00	
Carpet Fund	181.74	
		<u>10,469.44</u>

Total		280,253.63
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SCHEDULE II

Expenses:

Pinebrook Service Board	183,072.14
Advertising	1,617.67
Honoraria	10,892.07
Office Equipment	2,304.40
Office Supplies	2,532.17
Postage	2,894.60
Telephone	3,308.43
Payroll	24,144.41
Printing	14,384.02
Director's Health Insurance	457.92

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Board Expense		390.58
Auto Insurance & Maintenance		1,114.43
Accident Insurance		1,877.35
Recreation Equipment & Leasing		3,636.56
Employees' Tax & Social Security		7,031.78
Linen Rental		6,066.20
Radio		15,703.78
Equipment Purchase & Servicing		1,141.27
Refunds		751.00
Transfer to Auditorium Fund		3,140.50
Miscellaneous:		
Room Rental	43.52	
Subscriptions	48.25	
Carpet Fund	181.74	
Donation	50.00	
Permits	10.00	
		<u>333.52</u>
		286,794.80

Accounts and Report audited by James Bertsch, Accountant
for William A. Emmerick, Inc.

BUDGET - July 1, 1974 - June 30, 1975

Service Board	200,000
Advertising	3,000
Honoraria	12,000
Office Equipment	2,000
Office Supplies	3,000
Postage	3,500
Telephone	3,000
Payroll	27,500
Printing	17,000
Director's Health Insurance	475
Board Expenses	450
Auto Insurance & Maintenance	1,250
Accident Insurance	2,000
Recreational Equipment & Leasing	4,000
Employees' Tax & Social Security	7,500
Linen Rental	6,250
Radio	16,000
Refund	500
Equipment Purchasing and Servicing	1,500
Workmen's Compensation	100
Miscellaneous	1,000
Contingencies	<u>1,000</u>
Total	313,025

John H. Riggall, Chairman; A. L. Seifert, Director; Ronald C. Mahurin, Secretary; Lee E. Boyles, Treasurer; Frank L. Herb, Jr., Kermit K. Gehman, Norman W. Granda, BOARD

REPORT OF THE PINEBROOK SERVICE BOARD

Greetings in the name of our Blessed Redeemer!

"Whoever serves, let him do so as by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belongs glory and dominion forever and ever" (I Peter 4:11, New American Standard Bible). The Pinebrook Service Board has sought to serve the Lord and to serve the Pinebrook Bible Conference Board and the Board of Pinebrook Junior College by the Lord's wisdom, grace and enabling in order that each aspect of ministry on the Pinebrook Conference grounds might result in glory to God through Jesus Christ.

The Pinebrook Service Board met thirteen times during the past year in order to transact its business. The following projects were either accomplished during the year or are currently in progress:

1. The installation of new ceiling planking in dining hall
2. Purchase and installation of two oil burners for Overbrook and one oil burner for the dining hall
3. Sewer treatment plant supervision; running electric to plant and related works (in operation as of July 16, 1974)
4. Purchase and installation of a new fryer, grill top stove and oven for kitchen
5. Roof work at Overbrook completed and at Honeybrook half completed.
6. Purchase of back hoe
7. Relocation of stream from under Sunnybrook to between Sunnybrook and Nearbrook units. This was done to stop flooding in Sunnybrook and also on the roadway in front.
8. Expansion of camping area
9. Planning of new bunk house
10. Remodeling of Nearbrook 8 & 9 and 14 & 15 into two rooms
11. New concrete walk and landscaping at the rear of the Administration Building
12. Water supply lines to Overbrook and cabins, new pump and water lines to Honeybrook and new water line to Administration Building
13. Purchase of three washers
14. Survey of Land with preliminary land use study for mas-

ter plan proposals of Pinebrook. The report included slope of land, forms, access circulation and parking facilities, existing facilities and unknowns.

15. Certified operators for the Sewer Treatment Plant
16. Updating inventory of kitchen utensils
17. Operation of dining hall and snack bar
18. New archery stop
19. New lighting for camping area
20. New furnace for Nearbrook
21. Remodeling of one cabin
22. Continual repairs and maintenance of existing buildings and grounds.

We would like to thank all those who have shared in the partnership of love and service in helping the Service Board carry out its functions, especially those who worked at Pinebrook on our work days. Also a special thanks to the people from the Hatfield Church and the Ruch family for the flowers and plants that help beautify Pinebrook.

We recommend that Service Board members be elected for a term of 3 years in classes as follows:

- I. Three men for three years
- II. Two men for two years
- III. Two men for one year

Thereafter each Class shall be elected for 3 years.

All money is on deposit at First National Bank of Eastern Pennsylvania, Stroudsburg Office.

The books were audited by Miss Joyce Mann.

We recommend that each church make a contribution to the Pinebrook Service Board.

BALANCE SHEET - June 30, 1974

Assets

Cash	22,107.20
Accounts Receivable - Conference Board	442.83
Accounts Receivable - College	11,901.84
Accounts Receivable - Book & Gift Shop	65.82
Prepayments	493.57
Inventories - Food	1,000.00
Inventories - Kitchen Supplies	319.58
Inventories - Materials for Maintenance	1,098.74
Property Accounts -	
Administration Building	2,359.39

Archery Backstop	143.33
Back hoe	5,000.00
Beacon Hill Road (new)	510.66
Cabins	1,687.57
Camp Ground	1,113.50
Chapel	696.26
Echobrook	714.75
Farm House	10.00
Honeybrook	4,230.44
Kitchen and Dining Room	16,992.94
Lake House	613.05
Main Water Supply	768.49
Marsh House	79.63
Nearbrook	2,500.27
Overbrook	5,980.73
Personal Property	12,097.21
Pine Lodge	600.50
Sewage Treatment Plant	361.89
Shower Building	595.43
Staff House	135.43
Diverting stream around Sunnybrook	5,409.28
Tool and Machine shop	795.75
Snack Shop	4,243.65
Sunnybrook	3,030.84
Tabernacle	600.00
Viewbrook	<u>1,930.99</u>
Total Assets	110,631.56

Liabilities and Net Worth

Loan from Bible Fellowship Church	4,000.00
IRS & FICA Taxes withheld	971.56
Local Wage Taxes Withheld	161.54
Penna. State Income Taxes withheld	336.06
Accrued Payroll taxes (FICA)	367.71
Audited Bills payable	16,862.48
Accrued Accounts Payable	3,388.12
Accrued School Taxes Payable	1,882.61
Accrued County & Township Taxes payable	209.06
Depreciation Taken To Date	<u>940.14</u>
Total Liabilities	29,119.28
Net Worth	<u>81,512.28</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	110,631.56

INCOME STATEMENT for year ending June 30, 1974

REVENUE

Conference	177,116.30	
College	61,989.67	
Snack Shop	13,776.57	
Book and Gift Shop	789.84	
Washers and Dryers	524.90	
Food Vending Machines	1,083.67	
Soda Vending Machines	1,968.83	
Gifts from Churches	4,327.00	
Cash discounts earned	122.16	
Miscellaneous	<u>19.60</u>	261,718.54

OPERATING EXPENSES

Payroll	54,439.09	
Payroll taxes	3,184.24	
Maintenance Bills Payable	8,697.86	
Food	84,872.87	
College Work - Study Program	5,545.62	
Bookstore - Power, Heat & Insurance of Content	540.00	
Garbage Removal	1,772.00	
Kitchen Supplies	7,596.73	
Conference Supplies	2,576.44	
Propane Gas	3,364.37	
Service Board Supplies	326.59	
Electricity	16,181.41	
Heating Oil	16,783.88	
Contract Labor - Food	24.00	
Telephone	145.47	
Snack Shop - Candy	1,191.63	
Snack Shop - Soda	2,683.25	
Snack Shop - Food	1,657.01	
Snack Shop - Food for vending machines	894.39	
Snack Shop - supplies	315.34	
Interest on construction loan for sewage treatment plant	2,953.13	
Tax Accruals	3,480.60	
Fire Insurance	7,093.92	
Automobile Insurance	197.00	
Liability Insurance	1,545.00	
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	1,119.96	
Depreciation charges on College Furniture	<u>626.76</u>	<u>229,808.56</u>

NET GAIN

31,909.98

Robert Breitegam, Gerald Schlonecker, George E. Herb, Donald W. Matz, Paul G. Zimmerman, Harold C. Weaver, Ronald N. Ensminger, BOARD

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE LOCAL CONFERENCE MINUTES

We have examined all the Local Conference Minute books and have found them in good order. A few failed to list the names of the elected Elders and Officers. We found a petition to this Conference in the minutes of the Cedar Crest Church. Copies of this petition have been circulated to the Conference members.

Ernest W. Bean, W. W. Hartman, R. Glenn Rohrbach, Arthur W. Deppe, Clyde W. Snyder, Ernest E. Bauer, Ralph D. Cole, Harold E. Snyder, Oliver W. Beil, R. Stanley Weidner, L. Donald Miller, Donald Long, Leon H. Naudasher, Horace Manuel, Bright N. Heist, Harold L. Snyder, Jr., Darwin C. Wagner, John I. Mengel, T. Lamarn Manney, Edward A. Stortz, Clayton B. Brosius, David Herb, Robert L. Weaver, Michael Guttman, Clayton Dietz, COMMITTEE

REPORT OF GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

The Government Committee reports that a series of paragraphs will be written in which the subject of Discipline in the Church will be discussed in principle with the basic ideas coming from the Scriptures and with applications to be made to the organizational structure of the Bible Fellowship Church. The following topics will be the subjects of these paragraphs:

1. Nature and Purpose of Discipline: what the Bible has to say about the distinctive characteristics of church discipline and its purpose.
2. Jurisdiction: description of the place of original jurisdiction and provision for appeal.
3. The Judicial Process: description of the ways in which accusations should be brought, kinds of evidence admissible, fairness in notification of accusation, method of establishing a body to hear a case and similar topics.
4. Censure and Restoration: description of the types or

degree of discipline to be administered and the basis on which restoration can be granted.

5. Appeals and Protests: description of the ways in which appeals and protests can be lodged in cases where necessary.

The Government Committee began a study of the office of Deaconess and brings the following recommendation:

WE RECOMMEND that the churches study the roll of women in the Scriptures while this Committee makes a similar study and determines the feasibility of making a recommendation on the office of deaconess.

The legislation on the BOARD OF DEACONS on pages 13-15 of the 1973 Year Book will be presented for Second Reading.

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

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS

RECORD:

Ordained Ministers	52
Probationers	10
Elders	294
Deacons	21

PASTOR'S ACTIVITIES

Pastoral Visits	19,823
Baptized	468
Children Dedicated	100
Weddings	83
Funerals	132

MEMBERSHIP:

Received in Church Fellowship	408
Received by Transfer from B.F. Churches	34
Received by Transfer from Other Churches	49
Total Increase	491
Died	52
Withdrawn	35
Dropped	150

Transferred to B. F. Churches	29
Transferred to Other Churches	51
Total Decrease	317

Net Increase	174
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Total Membership	4,909
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SUNDAY SCHOOLS:

Total enrollment	8,742
Total Average Attendance	6,323
Cradle Roll Members	206
Home Department Members	164

CHURCH PROPERTIES:

Churches	47
Parsonages	46
Present Valuation of Church Properties	\$8,801,150
Total Income	\$1,875,123
Total Offerings	\$1,819,672

DISBURSEMENTS - CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES

Conference Administrative Budget	\$ 39,285.
Foreign Missions	164,944.
Church Extension	42,743.
Church Extension (Special)	1,270.
Bible Fellowship Church Home	7,619.
Pinebrook Junior College	34,291.
Board of Christian Education	1,501.
Victory Valley	5,450.
Pinebrook	3,290.

DISBURSEMENTS - LOCAL BENEVOLENCES

Ministers' Salary	\$ 302,318.
Ministers' Supplemental Benefits	60,299.
Administrative Assistant's Salary	24,714.
Christian Education	120,304.
Debt Service	266,411.
Local Benevolences	8,021.
Local Missions	79,519.
Women's Missionary Societies	14,324.
Annual Conference Delegate	5,761.
General Disbursements	659,921.
Total Disbursements	\$ 1,841,974.

WE RECOMMEND: that if a Pastor's schedule is not in the hands of the Committee on Statistics by 9:30 a.m. of the Thursday prior to Annual Conference, the facts from that church(s) will not be included in the current year's report.

Willard E. Cassel, LeRoy S. Heller, John Dunn, Donald R. Knauer, Paul G. Zimmerman, COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE MINUTES

We hereby certify that we have examined the Annual Conference Minutes for the session of the Ninetieth Annual Conference.

We have found some errors which have been noted for correction.

We hereby submit two copies duly certified.

Roger Reitz, Warren L. Zimmerman, COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS

The 91st Annual Conference of the Bible Fellowship Church has received communications from the following:

Miss Olive Rawn, Brian Butler, Paul E. Baer, W. F. Heffner, N. H. Wolf, C. E. Kirkwood, A. L. Seifert, Donald T. Kirkwood, Walter H. Frank and C. Leslie Miller

Each one has expressed a real interest in the 91st Annual Conference, pledging their prayerful concern for the deliberations of the work.

We thank God for each of these servants of our Lord and promise our continued prayer for them in their labors for the Lord.

R. C. Reichenbach, Bert N. Brosius, Terris L. Byrd, Warren L. Zimmerman, Russell Dech, COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDITING

The Committee advises that the Financial accounts of Boards and Committees have been audited by designated persons prior to Annual Conference and upon examination of the ac-

counts, it is the opinion of the Committee that they are in satisfactory condition.

Norman L. Reed, Clayton Dietz, Edward Shockley, Sr.,
Clifford L. Kauffman, COMMITTEE



EPHRATA CHURCH - INTERIOR

		Ordained Ministers	Probationers	Elders	Deacons	Pastoral Visits	Baptized	Children Dedicated	Weddings	Funerals
Allentown, Bethel	James G. Koch	3		12	1	415	4	1	1	4
Allentown, Cedar Crest	Roy Hertzog	1		9		120	13			1
Allentown, Salem	John H. Herb	1		7		398	3		2	2
Bethlehem	Frank L. Herb, Jr.	1		16		600	11	6	2	7
Blandon	Arthur H. Frable	1		7		437	2	2	1	2
Catasauqua	Roger Reitz		1	4		275	5			2
Coopersburg	Donald D. Reitz	1	1	7		564	10	2	3	2
Denville, N. J.	Willard E. Cassel	1		5	2	227		1	2	2
Easton	LeRoy C. Wilcox	1		3		300	4	1	1	3
Emmaus	Harvey J. Fritz	1		12		624	11	4	4	1
Ephrata	Robert W. Smock	2		8		400	50	5	4	
Finesville, N.J.	D. Thomas Phillips		1	1		218				
Fleetwood	Austin G. Shelly	1		7		380	11	3	2	4
Graterford	Keith E. Plows	1		11		822	8	1	7	3
Harleysville	David E. Thomann	2		9		410	7		3	2
Harrisburg	R. C. Reichenbach	3		11		393	15	3	3	6
Hatfield	Ronald C. Mahurin	1		4	7	369	19	3	2	3
Lancaster	John Dunn	1		10		743	22	1	4	6
Lebanon	Bruce A. Ellingson	1		6	3	383	7	2	1	2
Lehighton				7		73				
Maple Glen	Carl K. Spackman	1		2	3	230	5		1	2
Mt. Carmel	Paul G. Zimmerman	1		9		390	6	1	2	6
Nazareth	James A. Beil	2		9		450	5	1		2
Paradise	William A. Heffner	1		4	5		30	8	3	
Phila., Calvary	Keith L. Yoder		1	4		165	6		2	
Phila., Emmanuel	Dana Weller		1	5		224	11	3	3	1
Quakertown	Bert N. Brosius	4		8		386		1	1	4
Reading	Jansen E. Hartman	1		10		935	50	4	2	6
Royersford	Robert F. Johnson	1		8		486	22	3	4	5
Scranton	Bernard N. Coble		1	5		421		1	1	6
Shamokin	Harold C. Weaber	1				528		1	4	4
Sinking Spring	Terris L. Byrd	1		4		509	12	4	2	1
Spring City	Richard Taylor	1	1	6		512	6	3	1	3
Staten Island, N. Y.	Dennis Dodge (s)	2	1			305		2		
Stroudsburg	Robert A. Minniq	4		7		684	6	1		1
Sunbury	LeRoy S. Heller	1		9		1,041	33	4	2	7
Terre Hill	W. W. Hartman	1		9		405	19	2	1	2
Wallingford	C. E. Kirkwood	1		14		435	7	12	4	12
Walnutport	David L. Branning	1		5		280	10	4	3	5
York	John H. Riggall	1		9		900	11	6	3	8
Zionsville	Ernest W. Bean	1		8		320				2
Totals		49	8	291	21	17,757	441	96	81	128

CHURCH EXTENSION MISSIONS

Belvidere, N. J.	William H. Bartron	1				442	4			1
Englishtown, N.J.	John Vandegriff		1	3		225		3	1	
Franklin Township, N.J.	Donald R. Knauer	1				636				1
Freehold, N.J.	William W. Mull	1				344		1		2
Howell, N.J.	Robert L. Draper	1				235	23		1	
Neptune, N. J.						184				
Totals		3	2	3		2,066	27	4	2	4
Grand Totals		52	10	294	21	19,823	468	100	83	132

	Received into Church Fellowship	Received by Trans. from B.F. Churches	From Other Churches	Total increase	Died	Withdrawn	Dropped	Trans to B. F. Churches	Trans to Other	Total decrease	Net Increase	Net decrease	Total Membership
Allentown, Bethel	6			6	3	4				10		4	241
Allentown, Cedar Crest	16			16	1	3	7	2		13	3		105
Allentown, Salem	3			3							3		72
Bethlehem	15	5		20	5		9		2	16	4		286
Blandon	1			1	2				1	3		2	79
Catasauqua	3	2		5							5		42
Coopersburg	12	2		14	2		34			36		22	129
Denville, N.J.	3	1		4			2		4	6		2	51
Easton	4	2		6	1		4			5	1		65
Emmaus	23		1	24	1	1	7	2	3	14	10		206
Ephrata	14	2	7	23					2	2	21		119
Finesville, N. J.													9
Fleetwood	6			6	2					2	4		171
Graterford	10		5	15	1			2		3	12		132
Harleysville	4			4	2		15		4	21		17	146
Harrisburg	19			19	2		2			2	17		151
Hatfield	25		3	28	1	5	11	1	7	25	3		134
Lancaster	22	1		23	4	5	6		2	17	6		129
Lebanon	5			5	1	4				5			64
Lehighton		2		2		1				1	1		56
Maple Glen	7	1		8			2	2		4	4		59
Mt. Carmel	1			1	1	1			2	4		3	83
Nazareth	5	4		9	3		15		1	19		10	119
Paradise	33			33							33		139
Phila., Calvary	1			1		3	7	4	4	18		17	54
Phila., Emmanuel	1			1							1		36
Quakertown					4	1		2	1	8		8	120
Reading	17	3		20	2	3		2	1	8	12		325
Royersford	23	2		25	2		3		2	7	18		172
Scranton							1		2	3		3	44
Shamokin	1			1	2			3		5		4	130
Sinking Spring	2	2		4							4		80
Spring City	2		4	6		2	16			18		12	99
Staten Island						2				2		2	42
Stroudsburg	9	2		11	1			4		5	6		60
Sunbury	24			24	4					4	20		250
Terre Hill		2		2	1		1	2		4		2	85
Wallingford	5			5	2		4		11	17		12	213
Walnutport	8			8	1				1	2	6		74
York	6			6	1		6		1	8		2	166
Zionsville													53
Totals	336	31	22	389	52	35	150	29	51	317	194	122	4,790

CHURCH EXTENSION MISSIONS

Belvidere, N.J.		1	1	2							2		19
Englishtown, N.J.	25			25							25		25
Franklin Township, N.J.	25		3	28							28		28
Freehold, N.J.													
Howell, N.J.	22	2	23	47							47		47
Neptune, N.J.													
Totals	72	3	27	102							102		119
Grand Totals	408	34	49	491	52	35	150	29	51	317	296	122	4,909

	Total enrollment	Total Average Attendance	Cradle Roll	Members Home Dep't.	Members	Churches	Parsonages	Present Valuation of Church Prop.	Total Income	Total Offerings
Allentown, Bethel	365	243				1	1	350,000.	99,173.	98,166.
Allentown Cedar Crest	213	177				1	1	250,000.	52,634.	52,622.
Allentown Salem	119	80		2		1	1	65,000.	17,527.	17,452.
Bethlehem	357	222				1	1	425,000.	86,422.	85,795.
Blandon	150	132				1	1	68,000.	27,549.	19,636.
Catasauqua	65	56				2	1	40,000.	17,626.	17,626.
Coopersburg	164	141	11			2	1	275,000.	63,443.	63,443.
Denville, N.J.	113	79				1	1	140,000.	25,020.	24,932.
Easton	80	70				1	1	140,000.	14,972.	14,972.
Emmaus	305	246	11	6		1	2	300,000.	84,886.	78,045.
Ephrata	481	293	37	20		2	2	330,000.	53,804.	53,023.
Finesville, N.J.	28	18				1	1	60,000.	10,627.	6,307.
Fleetwood	331	248	8	4		1	1	220,000.	57,825.	57,825.
Graterford	317	234	4			1	2	338,000.	58,754.	58,504.
Harleysville	194	149	6			1	1	160,000.	60,038.	59,305.
Harrisburg	228	161	6			1	1	265,000.	49,558.	49,558.
Hatfield	243	195	7	65		1	1	150,000.	68,813.	65,457.
Lancaster	297	213	6	4		2	1	300,000.	48,964.	48,964.
Lebanon	188	134				1		175,000.	35,106.	32,404.
Lehighton	136	90	11	6		1	1	65,000.	16,667.	16,667.
Maple Glen	97	68				1	1	224,000.	30,092.	29,668.
Mt. Carmel	92	73	1			1	1	50,000.	29,076.	27,632.
Nazareth	220	155	22			1	1	125,000.	40,523.	40,523.
Paradise	246	170	8			1	1	135,000.	41,963.	40,073.
Phila., Calvary	109	73	4			1	1	125,000.	19,237.	19,127.
Phila., Emmanuel	56	45	6			1	1	70,000.	15,574.	15,460.
Quakertown	211	156	12			1	1	160,000.	43,203.	42,007.
Reading	588	397	19	11		1	1	410,000.	105,139.	102,588.
Royersford	287	222	4			1	1	350,000.	80,127.	77,461.
Scranton	73	62				1	1	130,000.	15,558.	14,484.
Shamokin	162	129				1	1	93,000.	29,663.	29,495.
Sinking Spring	180	127				1	1	91,000.	31,400.	31,400.
Spring City	202	133	3			1	1	300,000.	43,374.	43,304.
Staten Island, N. Y.	84	58				1	1	75,000.	20,032.	17,648.
Stroudsburg	145	80		4		1	1	75,000.	19,058.	17,172.
Sunbury	304	196				1	1	175,000.	52,168.	52,168.
Terre Hill	162	125	8	28		1	1	245,000.	41,584.	41,584.
Wallingford	366	256				1	2	325,000.	92,280.	92,280.
Walnutport	94	63		1		1	1	42,000.	15,579.	15,579.
York	328	282	12	12		1	1	40,000.	82,117.	82,117.
Zionsville	63	54		1		1	1	35,000.	17,369.	17,369.
Totals	8,443	6,105	206	164	45	44	7	7,371,000.	1,814,524.	1,769,842.

CHURCH EXTENSION MISSIONS

Belvidere, N.J.	32	32				1	1		12,116.	6,850.
Englishtown, N.J.	40	30				1	1			11,331.
Franklin Township, N.J.	74	48						36,772.	15,438.	12,438.
Freehold, N.J.	51	31						68,300	13,764.	6,930.
Howell, N.J.	80	60						32,315.	16,524.	9,524.
Neptune, N. J.	22	17							2,757.	2,757.
Totals	299	218				2	2	137,387.	60,599.	49,830.
Plainfield Parsonage								42,760.		
Home for the Aging								286,558.		
Victory Valley								165,628.		
Pinebrook								808,867.		
Grand Totals	8,742	6,323	206	164	47	46	8	8,801,150.	1,875,123	1,819,672.

	A. C. Admin Budget	Foreign Missions	Church Extension	Home for the Aging	Pinebrook Jr. College	Board of Christ. Education	Victory Valley	Pinebrook	Church Extension Special
Allentown, Bethel	2,500	19,000	7,030	1,250	2,555	75	400	625	
Allentown, Cedar Crest	720	6,600	100	100	100		100		
Allentown, Salem	461	600		20	100	5	20		
Bethlehem	1,793	16,450	3,500	700	2,000	35	350	200	
Blandon	800	1,000	300	150	400	50	100		20
Catasauqua	225	350		30	225	50	30		
Coopersburg	1,200	4,100	800	175	600		100		
Denville, N.J.	800	660	860	85	650		70		25
Easton	150	300	75	40	25	10	40		
Emmaus	1,740	8,820	2,375	500	2,500	50	500		
Ephrata	660	2,600	200	200	25	20	30	25	
Finesville, N.J.	480								
Fleetwood	1,275	5,000	3,500	200	1,500	35	400		
Graterford	1,150	4,814	1,000	100	1,200	50	100		
Harleysville	900	7,000	100	225	2,000	31	200	300	
Harrisburg	900	4,000	250	200		20	50		
Hatfield	1,750	9,875	5,300	500	3,700	100	500	200	1,225
Lancaster	1,000	4,000	600	100	1,125	25	50	100	
Lebanon	540	1,500	875	50	1,020	50	90	350	
Lehighton	270	250	50	25	100	40	25		
Maple Glen	1,260	363	413	20	700	15	75	150	
Mt. Carmel	750	3,000	650	100	900	25	100	25	
Nazareth	960	3,675	1,505	320	625	25	25		
Paradise	200	925	100	200	50	25	100		
Phila., Calvary	723	2,000	700	50	800	50	100		
Phila., Emmanuel	600	1,900	100	25	400	25	35		
Quakertown	900	2,800	600	200	1,600	25	100		
Reading	2,100	10,000	3,300	300	2,000	200	500	500	
Royersford	1,210	5,000		400	1,110	50	250		
Scranton	650	484	281	77					
Shamokin	765	5,116	1,254	35	30	35	35		
Sinking Spring	950	2,403	242	100					
Spring City	900	4,000	950	100	1,051	70	230	365	
Staten Island, N.Y.	720	768	225	39	80	20	20		
Stroudsburg	534	850	650	75	550	100	250		
Sunbury	900	5,000	1,300	85	1,000	50	75		
Terre Hill	800	120	200	100	500	30	100		
Wallingford	1,400	10,000	2,000	500	2,000	50	125		
Walnutport	200	400	25	75	675	10			
York	1,250	8,175	1,000	50	275	50	60	400	
Zionsville	400	1,000	75	100	120		115	50	
Totals	37,486	164,898	42,485	7,601	34,291	1,501	5,450	3,290	1,270

CHURCH EXTENSION MISSIONS

Belvidere, N. J.	483		235						
Englishtown, N.J.	275								
Franklin Township, N.J.	483								
Free old, N.J.	150								
Howell, N.J.	483								
Neptune, N.J.	25	23	23						
Totals	1,899	23	23						
Grand Totals	39,285	164,944	42,743	7,619	34,291	1,501	5,450	3,290	1,270

	Minister's Salary	Minister's Sup. Benefits	Administrative Assist. Salary	Christian Education	Debt Service	Local Benevolences	Local Missions	Women's Missionary Society
Allentown, Bethel	7,900	937	5,179	5,328		61	4,416	2,750
Allentown, Cedar Crest	7,095	1,033	680	5,128	12,930	394	2,986	350
Allentown, Salem	6,057	633		1,108	2,766		200	88
Bethlehem	7,500	1,700	2,365	2,782	18,957	105	4,111	750
Blandon	6,250	1,750		2,450	404	125	3,027	50
Catasauqua	6,325	503		642	885		985	72
Coopersburg	6,300	2,088		1,277	10,449	426	4,100	100
Denville, N.J.	5,600	1,600		774	4,919	363	578	223
Easton	5,600	393		469	1,139		40	515
Emmaus	7,833	2,925	1,503	9,355	10,836	27	6,419	1,200
Ephrata	7,200	2,420	2,900	4,846	5,224		7,782	201
Finesville, N.J.	5,400	627		188	300	112	610	
Fleetwood	7,540	1,553		4,265	7,717		596	288
Graterford	7,200	1,600		3,274	20,352	300	1,269	853
Harleysville	6,500	2,195		2,339	10,480	200	1,624	350
Harrisburg	6,131	1,694		2,177	3,440	25	75	489
Hatfield	7,000	1,700	2,760	6,435	7,354	1,183	3,410	243
Lancaster	7,620	1,560	617	2,689	15,533	100	620	171
Lebanon	7,250	300	60	1,342	18,189	56	450	325
Lehighton	3,827	379		2,130	3,413		167	392
Maple Glen	7,460	686		490	8,290	710	160	72
Mt. Carmel	6,500	628		1,250			1,369	229
Nazareth	6,710	784		3,698	4,800	169	1,062	215
Paradise	6,654	2,524	2,307	2,570	3,552	50	1,700	127
Phila., Calvary	5,875	1,060		1,021	2,675	21	800	281
Phila., Emmanuel	6,284	717		794		90	510	103
Quakertown	6,194	2,015		4,811	12,039	740	777	300
Reading	9,100	2,795	2,247	13,645	11,053	486	1,170	872
Royersford	8,125	2,500		4,144	3,469	50	13,642	113
Scranton	6,177	651		681	3,391	45	346	182
Shamokin	6,276	729		5,415	1,362	38	317	199
Sinking Spring	6,678	1,658		2,365	2,178	100	1,048	266
Spring City	5,994	1,305		2,264	16,389	134	1,040	200
Staten Island, N.Y.	5,660	632		818	3,720	295	435	131
Stroudsburg	6,456	435		1,197		62		169
Sunbury	6,600	2,975	440	2,894		303	625	365
Terre Hill	7,042	1,000		79	4,182	570	5,305	136
Wallingford	6,500	4,750	3,550	6,145	11,000	284	4,123	337
Walnutport	6,000	291		1,289	1,980	73	384	172
York	7,000	1,550	106	3,100	9,202	93	360	300
Zionsville	6,715	300		1,222	1,707			120
Totals	272,128	56,675	24,714	118,910	256,246	7,790	78,638	14,299

CHURCH EXTENSION MISSIONS

Belvidere, N.J.	5,695	412		71	3,590			
Englishtown, N.J.	5,670	210		175	1,710		714	
Franklin Township, N.J.	6,000	1,683		416	1,781			
Freehold, N.J.	6,725	649		121	2,884		145	
Howell, N.J.	6,100	600		588	200	110		25
Neptune				23		121	22	
Totals	30,190	3,554		1,394	10,165	231	881	25
Grand Totals	302,318	60,229	24,714	120,304	266,411	8,021	79,519	14,324

	Annual Conference Delegate	General Disburse- ments	Total Disbursements
Allentown, Bethel	150	30,086	90,242
Allentown, Cedar Crest	150	15,098	53,564
Allentown, Salem	50	5,467	17,575
Bethlehem	200	26,822	90,320
Blandon	135	31,675	48,686
Catasauqua	130	14,136	24,578
Coopersburg	175	603	32,493
Denville, N.J.	125	6,705	24,037
Easton	100	6,603	15,499
Emmaus	225	26,727	82,635
Ephrata	150	10,529	45,012
Finesville, N.J.	150	2,667	10,534
Fleetwood	150	18,846	52,865
Graterford	150	12,469	55,881
Harleysville	200	14,412	49,056
Harrisburg	140	22,211	41,802
Hatfield	200	19,508	72,943
Lancaster	200	11,563	47,673
Lebanon	100	8,743	41,290
Lehighton	75	8,182	19,325
Maple Glen		8,098	28,962
Mt. Carmel	150	10,964	26,640
Nazareth	150	11,288	36,011
Paradise	150	19,054	40,288
Phila., Calvary	70	4,866	21,092
Phila., Emmanuel	135	3,966	15,684
Quakertown	175	7,539	40,815
Reading	300	38,022	98,590
Royersford	195	10,852	51,110
Scranton	50	4,260	17,275
Shamokin	141	4,990	26,737
Sinking Spring	90	4,295	22,373
Spring City	125	11,118	46,235
Staten Island, N.Y.	100	20,186	33,849
Stroudsburg	100	3,243	14,671
Sunbury	150	16,871	39,633
Terre Hill	150	79,934	100,248
Wallingford	200	28,121	81,085
Walnutport	75	4,120	15,769
York	150	45,843	78,964
Zionsville	150	5,087	17,161
Totals	5,761	635,769	1,769,202

CHURCH EXTENSION MISSIONS

Belvidere, N.J.		1,394	11,880
Englishtown, N.J.		2,552	11,306
Franklin Township, N.J.		4,618	14,981
Freehold, N.J.		4,692	15,366
Howell, N.J.		8,412	16,518
Neptune		2,484	2,721
Totals		24,152	72,772
Grand Totals	5,761	659,921	1,841,974

1. ORDAINED MINISTERS WORKING UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

Licensed		Ordained		
Bean, E. W.	1929	1938	215-965-6346	Box 266, Zionsville, Pa. 18092
& Beil, James A.	1959	1962	215-759-3053	462 Gail Drive, Nazareth, Pa. 18064
Branning, David L.	1967	1970	215-876-8449	723 S. Providence Rd Wallingford, Pa. 19086
Brosius, Bert N.	1958	1961	215-536-6096	25 S. 3rd St., Quakertown, Pa. 18951
Byrd, Terris L.	1969	1973	215-678-5166	Green Valley Rd., R.D.#5, Sinking Spring, Pa. 19608
*Cassel, Carl C.	1956	1959	717-421-2743	891 Queen St., Stroudsburg, Pa. 18360
Cassel, Willard E.	1943	1946	201-627-6706	25 Florence Ave., Denville, N. J. 07834
Church			201-625-1880	
Coble, Bernard N.	1972	1974	717-342-2027	1023 Taylor Ave., Scranton, Pa. 18510
Draper, Robert L.	1972	1973	201-458-3438	53 Sunset Drive, Howell, N. J. 07731
Dunn, John	1941	1950	717-393-7677	608 Prospect St., Lancaster, Pa. 17603
Ellingson, Bruce A.	1963	1966	717-272-3945	130 S. First Avenue, Lebanon, Pa. 17042
Church			717-273-4802	
Frable, Arthur H.	1969	1971	215-926-4593	Box 284, Blandon, Pa. 19510
Fritz, Harvey J., Jr.	1959	1962	215-967-2555	313 N. 3rd St., Emmaus, Pa. 18049
Church			215-965-2682	
Hartman, Jansen E.	1942	1946	215-372-3330	1122 Hampden Blvd., Reading, Pa. 19604
Church			215-375-2333	
Hartman, W. W.	1930	1937	215-445-4401	404 W. Main St., Terre Hill, Pa. 17581
Heffner, William A.	1943	1951	717-687-7577	Box 532, Paradise, Pa. 17562
Heller, LeRoy S.	1955	1958	717-286-6106	650 Catawissa Ave., Sunbury, Pa. 17801
Herb, Frank L., Jr.	1954	1957	215-866-2703	1124 N. Main St., Bethlehem, Pa. 18018
Church			215-868-5501	
Herb, George E.	1957	1960	717-424-5548	R.D.#4, Box 231, E. Stroudsburg, Pa. 18301
Herb, John H.	1962	1966	215-797-7271	723 S. Filmore St., Allentown, Pa. 18103
Hertzog, Roy	1950	1968	215-435-6625	816 N. St. Elmo St., Allentown, Pa. 18104
Church			215-432-3903	

Licensed Ordained

Johnson Robert F. Church	Licensed 1958	Ordained 1961	215-948-3014	630 Walnut St., Royersford, Pa.	19468	154
Knauer, Donald R.	1962	1965	215-948-9764			
Koch, James G.	1950	1953	201-846-8689	140 Drake Rd., Somerset, N. J.	08873	
Church			215-432-0664	529 N. 8th St., Allentown, Pa.	18102	
Mahurin, Ronald C. Church	1960	1959	215-435-2331			
			215-855-6046	75 W. Broad St., Hatfield, Pa.	19440	
			215-855-2449			
Minnig, Robert A.	1970	1972	717-421-0533	21 S. 6th St., Stroudsburg, Pa.	18360	
Mull, William W.	1968	1950	201-431-2174	81 E. Main St., Freehold, N. J.	07728	
Plows, Keith E.	1966	1968	215-489-2281	111 Bridge St., Graterford, Pa.	19426	
Reichenbach, R. C. Church	1937	1941	717-232-0821	3210 N. 4th St., Harrisburg, Pa.	17110	
			717-652-9900			
Reitz, Donald D. Church	1973		215-282-3580	969 Butternut Rd., Coopersburg, Pa.	18036	
			215-282-3161			
Reitz, Roger	1972	1974	215-264-1120	235 Walnut St., Catasauqua, Pa.	18032	
Riggall, John H.	1945	1948	717-764-0755	675 Woodland View Drive, York, Pa.	17402	
Shelly, Austin G. Church	1956	1961	215-944-7715	103 W. Pine St., Fleetwood, Pa.	19522	
			215-944-7080			
Smock, Robert W.	1950	1953	717-733-2526	116 Church Ave., Ephrata, Pa.	17522	
Spackman, Carl K. Church	1969	1971	215-643-7963	1814 Farmview Rd., Maple Glen, Pa.	19002	
			215-646-1220			
%Thomann, David E. For Missions	1943	1946	717-424-5528	Box 480, R.D.#3, E. Stroudsburg, Pa.	18301	
			717-424-5528	Box 1, Stroudsburg, Pa.	18360	
			717-424-1212			
Pinebrook Bible Con.			717-424-1214	Box 481, R.D.#3, E. Stroudsburg, Pa.	18301	
Watkins, David J.	1962	1965				
Weaver, Harold C.	1963	1967		6902 Chelwynde Ave., Phila., Pa.	19142	
Weller, Dana Church	1972	1974				
			215-726-4413			
			215-727-8959			
Wilcox, LeRoy C.	1968	1972	215-252-6352	1113 Whitney Ave., Easton, Pa.	18042	
#Ziegler, Daniel G.	1960	1963	201-753-6978	1049 Kenyon Ave., Plainfield, N.J.	07060	
Zimmerman, Paul G.	1966	1971	215-759-1712	95 E. Beil Ave., Nazareth, Pa.	18064	

& Assistant Administrator, Bible Fellowship Church Home
 * Academic Dean, Pinebrook Junior College
 % Director, Pinebrook Bible Conference
 ! President, Pinebrook Junior College
 # Director of Church Extension

2. ORDAINED MINISTERS WORKING UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

Licensed Ordained

Bigley T. James	1952	1966
Buck, Leonard E.	1958	1970
Butler, Brian H.	1968	1957
Gehman, Richard J.	1964	1971
Gordon, Robert	1960	1960
Harley, J. Barclay	1956	1960
Moyer, Edward	1970	1970
Stengele, Laird F.	1952	1952

3. ORDAINED MINISTERS WORKING WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Cassel, Alva C.	1958	1962	207-654-3241	Athens, Maine	04912
Dotts, Raymond R.	1960	1965	302-697-1422	211 Weeks Drive, Camden, Del.	19934
Frank, Walter H.	1939	1942		G.E.M. 214 N. Hale, Wheaton, Ill.	60187
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 ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

	Licensed		Ordained	
Kirkwood, Donald T.	1951	1954	215-536-6611	132 S. 10th St., Quakertown, Pa.
Seifert, A. L.	1950	1953	717-676-3800	Box 48, Newfoundland, Pa.

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5. ORDAINED MINISTERS IN RETIREMENT

Baer, Paul E.	1924	1928	215-257-5422	115 Diamond St., Sellersville, Pa.
Heffner, W. F.	1917	1920	717-564-2568	6103 Ann St., Harrisburg, Pa.
Hertzog, F. B.	1922	1925	215-759-4827	7 S. New St. (rear) Nazareth, Pa.
Kirkwood, C. E.	1937	1940	215-566-9328	1295 N. Providence Rd., Media, Pa.
Miller, C. Leslie	1928	1933	805-642-2436	1215 Anchors Way Drive, #163 Ventura, California
Rutman, E. J.	1937	1940	813-636-2758	204 S. Raymond Ave., R.D. #1, Frostproof, Florida
Wolf, N. H.	1916	1920	717-733-7800	121 Park Ave., Ephrata, Pa.

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6. PROBATIONERS

Bartron, William H.	1974	201-475-2250	Box 155, Pequest Rd., Belvidere, N. J.
Dodge, Dennis	1973		
Phillips, D. Thomas	1971	201-993-7308	Main Rd., Finesville, Phillipsburg,
Church		201-993-7678	R. D. #1, N. J.
Taylor, Richard	1973	215-948-3791	25 Pennhurst Rd., Spring City, Pa.
Church		215-948-9448	
(Vandegriff, John	1974	215-375-8884	1210 Hampden Blvd., Reading, Pa.
Yoder, Keith L.	1971		

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() Pastor to Youth, Grace Church, Reading, Pa.

7. SUPPLY PASTORS

Good, Kenneth	215-377-1277	137 N. 4th Street, Leighton, Pa.	18235
Graybill, William	215-767-4852	20 Cherry St., Walnutport, Pa.	18088

8. CHURCHES TO BE SUPPLIED

Englishtown		Tennent Rd., Englishtown, N. J.	07726
Harleysville		140 Harleysville Pk. Harleysville, Pa.	19438
Mt. Carmel		132 W. 4th St., Mt. Carmel, Pa.	17851
Phila., Calvary		4426 VanKirk St., Phila., Pa.	19135
Shamokin		35 S. Second St., Shamokin, Pa.	17872
Staten Island		243 Taylor St., Staten Island, N. Y.	10310

LAY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Cassel, Byron C.	215-884-6622	747 Hillcrest Ave., Glenside, Pa.	19038
Cressman, James R.	215-867-7334	1128 N. New St., Bethlehem, Pa.	18018
Gehret, Robert W.	717-733-3883	R. D. #3, Ephrata, Pa.	17522
Office	717-733-1673		
Kauffman, Horace A.	717-626-8356	25 E. Lemon St., Lititz, Pa.	17543

ADDITIONAL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Home for the Aging	215-759-5121	7 S. New St., Nazareth, Pa.	18064
Pinebrook Jr. College	717-421-3633	East Stroudsburg, Pa.	18301
Pinebrook Bible Conference	215-282 4000	Box 1, Stroudsburg, Pa.	18360
Victory Valley Camp (J. D. Reynolds)	215-965-5609	R. D., Zionsville, Pa.	18092

DELEGATES TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Allentown, Bethel	John L. Deily	215-432-0403	514 N. St. Lucas St., Allentown, Pa.	18104
Allentown, C. C.	R. Glenn Rohrbach	215-691-8986	1906 Eastman Ave., Bethlehem, Pa.	18018
Allentown, Salem	Allan C. Palmer	215-797-1118	720 E. Juniata St., Allentown, Pa.	18103
Bethlehem	Warren L. Zimmerman	215-866-5410	1451 Lenox Ave., Bethlehem, Pa.	18018
Blandon	John I. Mengel	215-926-5149	Box 728, Blandon, Pa.	19510
Catasauqua	Arthur W. Deppe	215-262-4507	323 E. 9th St., Northampton, Pa.	18067
Coopersburg	Michael Guttman	215-257-7169	Box 132, Green St. Silverdale, Pa.	18962
Denville, N. J.				
Easton	Russell E. Dech	215-253-4995	15 S. 17th St., Easton, Pa.	18042
Emmaus	Clifford L. Kauffman	215-965-4133	16 E. Minor St., Emmaus, Pa.	18049
Englishtown, N. J.	Clinton W. Crankshaw	201-446-9662	3 Park Ave., Englishtown, N. J.	07726
Ephrata	Robert W. Gehret	717-733-3883	R. D. #3, Ephrata, Pa.	17522
Finesville, N. J.	H. Walter Stout	215-252-6080	R.D. #4, Stout's Valley Rd. Easton, Pa.	18042
Fleetwood	Norman L. Reed	215-944-7029	124 E. Main St., Fleetwood, Pa.	19522
Graterford	Edward A. Stortz	215-489-2062	104 W. 3rd St., Collegeville, Pa.	19426
Harleysville	Clayton Dietz	215-723-4118	Box 420, Becks Rd., Souderton, Pa.	18964
Harrisburg	Darwin C. Wagner	717-564-3874	540 N. 65th St., Harrisburg, Pa.	17111
Hatfield	Clyde W. Snyder	215-855-1414	2129 E. Orvilla Rd., Hatfield, Pa.	19440
Lancaster	Horace A. Kauffman	717-626-8356	25 E. Lemon St., Lititz, Pa.	17543
Lehighton	Ernest E. Bauer	215-377-3557	201 Allen St., Lehighton, Pa.	18235
Lebanon	David Herb	717-273-1355	922 Water St., Lebanon, Pa.	17042
Maple Glen	Byron C. Cassel	215-884-6622	747 Hillcrest Ave., Glenside, Pa.	19038
Mt. Carmel	Harold L. Snyder, Jr.	717-799-5446	R. D. #3, Box 198, Catawissa, Pa.	17820
Nazareth	Norman W. Granda	215-759-4910	North & Whitefield, Nazareth, Pa.	18064
Paradise	L. Donald Miller	717-687-6852	31 Hillcrest Ave., Strasburg, Pa.	17579
Phila., Calvary	Leon H. Naudasher	609-829-7507	408 W. Henry St., Palmyra, N. J.	08065
Phila., Emmanuel	Horace Manuel	215-727-8176	6247 Reedland St., Phila., Pa.	19142
Quakertown, Pa.	L. James Roberts, Jr.	215-536-8475	518 Juniper St., Quakertown, Pa.	18951

Reading	Robert Breitegam	215-689-5257	Walnut Rd., R.D. #3, Reading, Pa.	19606
Royersford	William R. Hunsberger	215-948-4669	417 N. 7th Ave., Royersford, Pa.	19468
Scranton	Carl H. Kellerman	717-343-7361	913 Hickory St., Scranton, Pa.	18505
Shamokin	T. Lamarn Manney	717-648-3298	223 S. Market St., Shamokin, Pa.	17872
Sinking Spring	Donald Long	215-775-1241	205 N. Sterley St., Shillington, Pa.	19607
Spring City	R. Stanley Weidner	215-948-7283	132 Bridge St., Spring City, Pa.	19475
Staten Island, N. Y.	Ralph D. Cole	212-448-6071	113 Floyd St., Staten Island, N. Y.	10310
Stroudsburg	Harold E. Snyder	717-421-7009	Box 484, R.D. #3, E. Stroudsburg, Pa.	18301
Sunbury	Clayton B. Brosius	717-286-1396	855 S. 2nd St., Sunbury, Pa.	17801
Terre Hill	Robert L. Weaver	215-286-9017	Box 113, Morgantown, Pa.	19543
Wallingford	Edward Shockley, Sr.	215-833-5493	1201 Mildred St., Woodlyn, Pa.	19094
Walnutport	Oliver W. Beil	215-262-9751	R. D. #2, Northampton, Pa.	18067
York	Sterling Baer	717-854-2057	1903 Bannister St., York, Pa.	17404
Zionsville	Bright N. Heist	215-965-9779	R. D. #1, Zionsville, Pa.	18092

APPENDIX

For Your Information:

Directions for completing Pastor's Statistical Schedule.

The Annual Report of the Board of Elders to the Congregation shall be the source of information for this Schedule.

It shall contain:

1. Report of the Membership Committee

- a. Members as of previous report
- b. Received into Church fellowship
- c. Received by transfer from Bible Fellowship Churches
- d. Received by transfer from other churches
- e. Total increase

- f. Died
- g. Withdrawn
- h. Dropped
- i. Transferred to Bible Fellowship Churches
- j. Transferred to other churches
- k. Total decrease

- l. Net increase or decrease (not both)
- m. Total Membership

In compiling this membership report, be sure you have begun with the figure for total membership shown in the previous Yearbook.

2. Benevolence Committee

- a. Balance as of last report
- b. Receipts
- c. Disbursements
- d. New balance

3. Financial Report

FORM B

Total average attendance in the Sunday School is an average attendance 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 figures might be identical. **TOTAL INCOME** would include, above offerings, the following:

Interest, Rent, Church Extension Appropriation

BUT NOT

Sale of properties, loans from banks or individuals

FORM C

The figures which you show for Foreign Missions and Church Extension must agree with the amounts which you have sent to the respective Treasurers. We assume that the Treasurers' Reports are correct.

FORM D

The Minister's salary shall be from October 1 to September 30.

Minister's Supplemental Benefits - This shall include: Social Security and Ministers' Retirement Fund paid to you by the church, automobile allowance, books, 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 Pastor shall send by Certified mail a COPY of the Annual Report of the Board of Elders to the Congregation and the Pastor's Statistical Report (PS-3) to the Committee on Statistics, % PINEBROOK BIBLE CONFERENCE, BOX 1, STROUDSBURG, PENNA. 18360 to arrive by Monday of the week prior to Annual Conference week. These records may

be submitted in person by Tuesday of the same week.

The Delegate and Pastor shall certify the correctness of the Report and the Pastor's Statistical Report (PS-3), prior to the mailing thereof; and shall include a statement of Certification with the report mailed.

If the Pastor's Statistical Schedule (PS-3) is not in the hands of the Committee on Statistics by 9:30 a.m. of the Thursday prior to Annual Conference, the facts from that church(s) will not be included in the current year's report.

The Committee on Statistics shall be appointed by the Chairman at the last meeting of Annual Conference. This Committee shall meet on the Thursday prior to Annual Conference.

THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS

ADDENDA, FAITH & ORDER

ADDENDA FOR FAITH & ORDER

The following is to be added to "b. Other Miscellaneous By-laws of Annual Conference" on page 83:

9. Each Pastor shortly after the election of the Conference Delegate and Alternate Delegate shall inform the Secretary of the Annual Conference of the results of these elections.

10. The Report of each Board and Committee made to Annual Conference shall include a report of its treasurer stating the total amount of cash on hand and the depository where this fund is maintained.

11. 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.

12. Yearbooks shall be ordered and paid for at the Annual Conference. Payment shall be made to the Board of Publication and Printing.

13. All monies which are due to Conference Boards and Committees shall be forwarded to them prior to August 31

of the year in which they are to be reported.

The following are additions to the FAITH & ORDER:

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Article IX (a)

BOARD OF DEACONS

The Board of Deacons shall be composed of all deacons duly elected by and from the congregation, and who meet the qualifications of the Scriptures. They shall be mature men who demonstrate spiritual wisdom and compassion so that they might serve the needy in a Christ-like and merciful manner. The number of deacons chosen to serve on the Board of Deacons shall be established by the congregation by ballot vote upon the recommendation of the Board of Elders.

The Board of Deacons shall serve under the direction of the Board of Elders and shall elect a chairman and a secretary from among the membership of the Board. The secretary shall be responsible to report the actions of the Deacons to the Board of Elders. Two-thirds of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

The general responsibility of the Deacons is one of sympathetic and benevolent service to the church, the distressed, friendless and sick, showing the mercy and concern of the church for the material and natural needs of others. The Deacons shall assume the responsibility to care for such specific benevolent and material services as directed to them by the Board of Elders.

The function of the Deacons is to see that the material and natural needs of the church constituency are met so that the Elders can give freely of their time and concern to the spiritual needs of the congregation.

Electing and Installing Deacons

Each congregation may elect deacons in keeping with the qualifications set for in Scripture. Deacons must be male members in full communion in the church in which they are to exercise their office.

The term of office shall be determined by the particular church by congregational vote, but shall not be for less than three years. Where possible, the Board of Deacons shall be divided into not less than three classes as determined by the

congregational vote in each of the particular churches.

In the event of a vacancy by death, resignation or removal, one may be elected to fill the unexpired term of office.

In a service of worship, the minister shall state in a concise manner the warrant and nature of the office of deacon together with the Scriptural 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. Do you accept the office of deacon in the congregation and promise to faithfully perform this ministry of service?

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

After the deacon-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 a deacon?

2. Do you promise to give him all the honor, encouragement and support 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 deacon and shall give to him and to the congregation and exhortation suited to the occasion.

Page 61 - #6. Qualifications and Duties of Church Membership

Anyone desiring to be a member of the Bible Fellowship Church shall give testimony and evidence of faith in Christ and the new birth. He shall be in sympathy with the FAITH & ORDER, be baptized by immersion subsequent to salvation and manifest holiness toward God and separation from the world (Acts 2:41-47).

Duties: Commitment to Christ and the Bible Fellowship Church shall be manifest by the joyful acceptance of the following responsibilities:

1. To live in keeping with the doctrines and standards of the church as found in the FAITH & ORDER (John 17:15-17; I Cor. 5:6-11; 6:14-18; Eph. 5:26,27; Titus 3:10; James 1:26, 27; II John 9,10).
2. To exercise willingly his spiritual gifts within the body (Eph. 4:11-16; I Cor. 12:4-31; Romans 12:3-8).
3. To minister under the direction of the church (Acts 20:28; Heb. 13:7; I Peter 5:2,3; I Tim. 3:1; 5:17).
4. To bear the message of the church to the outside world (Matthew 28:19,20; Acts 1:8; Matthew 5:13-16).
5. To pray daily for the pastor and the ministries of the church (Romans 10:1; Matt. 9:28; Acts 4:29; Eph. 6:18,19; Acts 13:2-4).
6. To support the program of the church financially with the regular giving of tithes and offerings (Mal. 3:10; I Cor. 9:13,14; 16:1,2; II Cor. 8:7-9; 9:6,7).
7. To submit to those God has ordained as rulers in the church (Heb. 13:17, cf. also references under #3 above).
8. To attend faithfully the stated meetings of the church (Acts 2:42; Heb. 10:25).
9. To observe the Lord's Supper (I Cor. 11:23-28).
10. To demonstrate mutual care and concern for the other members of the church (John 13:34,35; 15:12,17; Gal. 6:1, 2, 10; James 5:9, 16).

The following supersedes the material - Ministers' Retirement Fund, pages 66-68:

MINISTERS' RETIREMENT FUND OF THE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

I. NAME

The name of this fund shall be the Ministers' Retirement Fund of the Bible Fellowship Church.

II. PURPOSE

The Ministers' Retirement Fund shall be a permanent fund to provide and pay annuities to ministers of the Bible Fellowship Church who by reason of age have retired from active service and also to widows of such ministers according to the rules hereinafter stated.

III. ADMINISTRATION

This fund shall be controlled by the Board of Directors of the Bible Fellowship Church and operated by the Committee on Pensions under the direction of the Annual Conference.

IV. ELIGIBILITY

A. Every minister who is licensed or who has been ordained by the Bible Fellowship Church is a member of the Fund so long as he is working under the direction of the Annual Conference and his name continues to appear on the list of men eligible to serve as a pastor of a Bible Fellowship Church.

B. When a man receives license with the Bible Fellowship Church, the Ministerial Candidate Committee shall notify him of the requirement for payments into the Fund and its benefits.

C. A man having less than thirty years of active service to the Bible Fellowship Church and no longer meeting both requirements set forth in Paragraph A of this section of these rules, ceases to be a member of the Fund, except as provided in Paragraphs D and E of this section. When a minister ceases to be a member of the Retirement Fund, the money he paid into the Fund shall be refunded to him; and he by receiving this refund shall forfeit all further claims on the Fund.

D. Should a minister with less than thirty years of service no longer meet both eligibility requirements of Paragraph A of this Section because he is awaiting a call to the pulpit of a Bible Fellowship Church, his membership in the Fund will continue so long as he desires, and this period between calls will be included as years of active service as this term is used in Section VIII, Paragraph A, 3. However, to maintain the continuity of his service, a minister covered by this paragraph shall on April 1 and at Annual Conference

of each year make his contribution to the Fund in accordance with the provision of Section V, Paragraph B based on the minimum salary currently prescribed for a pastor by Annual Conference.

E. Should a minister, after have accepted a refund as provided in Paragraph C of this section, return to work under the direction of Annual Conference, he may return the refund to the Fund and the years of service represented by the refund, will be included in the base for calculating his annuity.

V. CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUND

The Fund shall be maintained by the following:

A. Contributions through the Annual Conference Administrative Budget.

B. Contributions from each member who shall pay into this Fund one and one-half percent of his salary. One half of this payment shall be forwarded to the Financial Secretary of the Board of Directors on or before April 1 and the balance shall be paid at Annual Conference each year.

C. Gifts, bequests and devises from any sources.

VI. RETIREMENT AGE

A. A minister of the Bible Fellowship Church who has attained the age of sixty five (65) years may retire from active service.

B. It is mandatory that a minister retire at the end of the month in which he attains the age of seventy-two (72) years.

C. A minister who has given thirty (30) years or more of service to the Bible Fellowship Church may retire from the active ministry prior to age sixty-five (65) and be eligible for an annuity at age sixty-five (65).

VII. DISABILITY

A minister who has given twenty-five (25) years or more of active service to the Bible Fellowship Church may become eligible for an annuity at the end of the month in which he becomes totally and permanently

disabled.

VIII. ANNUITIES

A. For Ministers

1. No annuity will be paid unless a minister has met the requirements of Section VI and has paid in full according to Section V, B at least five years.
2. The annuity for a retired minister shall be calculated at the rate established annually by Annual Conference by a two-thirds majority vote at one reading.
3. A minister's annuity will be based on his years of active service to the Bible Fellowship Church subject to a maximum of forty (40) years.
4. Services rendered after the age of seventy-two (72) years shall not increase the annuity.
5. If at any time the money in the Fund is insufficient to pay the annuities in full, the Board of Directors shall determine the amount of monthly installments pro rata.
6. No minister shall be entitled to the full amount of his annuity unless he has paid in full as according to Section V, B. The years of service shall be reduced for each year in which he was a member of the Fund, but failed to make the required payments.

B. Annuities for Widows

1. The widow of a deceased minister who has complied with the provisions of the Fund shall receive annuities beginning at the time of the death of the husband provided that the widow shall have attained the age of sixty-five (65) years or beginning at the time that she shall attain the age of sixty-five (65) years.
2. A widow's annuity shall be calculated at one-half the rate of Section VIII, A for each year that she was the wife of a minister during which he was in active service in the Bible Fellowship Church subject to a maximum of forty (40) years.

3. The annuity shall cease if the widow remarries.

C. All annuities cease at the time of the death of the annuitant.

The material adopted by the 91st Annual Conference (1974) -- The Administrative Budget (See page 13, this volume) is identical with the material which appears on pages 80-82 of the FAITH & ORDER.

The following is a revision to the FAITH & ORDER - 5. Agencies of the Annual Conference; c. Board of Foreign Missions, page 68:

Election: A General Secretary shall be elected annually by ballot by the Annual Conference from among the ordained ministers for a term of three years. 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 elected for a term of three years in the following classes:

- I. Two ministers - two laymen
- II. One minister - one layman
- III. One minister - one layman

The following is a revision to the FAITH & ORDER - 5. Agencies of the Annual Conference; 1. Credentials Committee - "The FAITH & ORDER Questionnaire" d, page 77:

d. If you desire to retain credentials with the Bible Fellowship Church this questionnaire must be returned by September 1. Failure to do so may result in your credentials being withdrawn.

(A copy of the FAITH & ORDER plus a copy of a current yearbook will give you a complete revised FAITH & ORDER.)

DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES

	Time of Services		
	SS	a.m.	p.m.
Allentown, Bethel, 528 N. 8th St.	9:30--	11:15	7:00
Allentown, C. Crest, 1151 S. Cedar Crest Blvd.	9:30	10:30	7:00
Allentown, Salem, 641 Genesee St.,	9:00	10:15	7:30
Belvidere, Pequest Rd.	10:00	11:00	7:30
Bethlehem, 3100 Hecktown Rd.	9:30--	11:15	7:00
Blandon, Chestnut St.	9:00--	10:45	7:00
Catasauqua, 233 Walnut St.	9:30	10:30	7:00
Coopersburg, 518 N. Main St.	9:00	10:15	7:00
Denville, 263 Diamond Spring Rd.	9:30	10:45	7:00
Easton, 12th & Spruce Sts.	9:30	10:45	7:00
Emmaus, 418-20 Elm Street	10:40	9:30	7:00
Englishtown, Tennent Rd.	9:45	11:00	7:00
Finesville, Main Rd.	10:00--	11:30	7:00
Ephrata, Church & Locust Streets	9:15	10:30	7:30
Fleetwood, South Richmond Street	10:30	9:15	7:30
Graterford, Route 29	9:30	10:40	7:00
Harleysville, 140 Harleysville Pk.	9:00	10:15	7:00
Harrisburg, 1250 Colonial Road	9:30	10:45	7:00
Hatfield, West Broad Street	9:30	10:30	7:00
Howell, 53 Sunset Dr., Howell, N. J.	9:45	11:00	7:00
Lancaster, Prospect & Hager Sts.	9:00	10:15	7:30
Lebanon, Mill Rd., Cornwall Township	9:30	10:40	7:00
Lehighton, Cypress & Fourth Sts.	9:30	10:40	7:00
Maple Glen, Welsh Road	9:30	11:00	7:00
Mt. Carmel, 130 W. 4th St.	9:30	10:30	7:00
Nazareth, Rose Inn & Beil Aves.	9:30	10:30	7:30
Paradise, Lincoln Hyway, Rt. #30	9:30	10:35	7:15
Phila. Calv., 4416 VanKirk St.	9:45	11:00	7:00
Phila. Emm., 65th & Dickens Ave.	9:45	11:00	6:30
Quakertown, 27 S. 3rd St. 1811 <i>Old Bethlehem Pike north</i>	9:00	10:05	7:00
Reading, Hampden Blvd. & Marion St.	9:30--	11:15	7:00
Royersford, 431 N. Lewis Rd.	9:00	10:10	7:00
Scranton, 1021 Taylor Ave.,	10:00	11:00	7:30
Shamokin, 35 S. 2nd St.	9:30	10:45	7:30
Sinking Spring, Route 422	10:00--	11:30	7:00
Spring City, Pennhurst Rd. & Bridge	9:30	10:45	7:00
Staten Island, 243 Taylor St.	9:45	11:00	7:00
Stroudsburg, 23 S. 6th Street	9:30	10:30	7:00
Sunbury, Race St. near Sixth	9:30	10:30	7:30
Terre Hill, 407 W. Main St.	9:30	10:30	7:00
Wallingford, 723 S. Providence Rd.	9:30	10:45	7:00
Walnutport, 233 Main St.	9:15	10:15	7:00
York, 675 Woodland View Drive	9:30	10:45	7:00
Zionsville, S. Vera Cruz Rd.	9:30	10:30	7:30

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