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Southwest: Gerald V. Walder, 1225 W. River Drive, Mankato 55601, 345-5330

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MINNESOTA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Statistician . . . . . . . . Harold A. Clark

Legal Title: “Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church”
II. BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

A. CONFERENCE PROGRAM COUNCIL—CONFERENCE COUNCIL ON MINISTRIES

Chairman: Kathleen Haining
Vice-Chairman: Ray Boehlke
Secretary: Lyle Schreiber
the presiding bishop
the district superintendents
the conference secretary
the president and one other representative of the conference youth organization: Marcia Dunn, Blaine Karsten
the president and one other representative of the conference Women's Society of Christian Service: Mrs. Alan B. Larson, Mrs. Kenneth Dowell
the conference lay leader and the associate lay leaders
one lay person from each district:
Central: Everett Day
Metropolitan East: Mrs. David Cervenka
Metropolitan North: Mrs. Erma Craven
Metropolitan South: Mrs. E. E. O'Brien
Northeast: Thomas Moberg
Northwest: Mrs. Alfred Gedde
Southeast: Donald Riegel
Southwest: Loren Shelgren
chairman of age-level and family departments designated by the council ministers at large: Alex Ramos, Virgil Coburn, Donald Walkes
four lay persons at large, at least two of whom shall be women: Mrs. Roscoe Haining, Ralph Klinkerfues, Mrs. John Gridley, Lyle Schreiber
one representative from each of the following boards and agencies:
The Board of Education
The Board of Evangelism
The Board of Health and Welfare Ministries
The Board of the Ministry
The Board of Missions
The Board of Christian Social Concerns
The Commission on Ecumenical Affairs
The Commission on Enlistment and Christian Vocation
The Commission on Worship
The following shall be members without vote:
salaried and volunteer conference staff
the conference treasurer
two members of the Commission on World Service and Finance
one member of the Policy, Structure and Strategy Committee
one member of the Commission on Archives and History
one member of the Committee on Interpretation
one member of the Committee on Communication

COMMITTEES OF THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM COUNCIL

Committee on Interpretation:
Delmont K. Gordy, Mrs. Delburn Kurtz, Mrs. Paul Lundeen, R. Deane Postlethwaite, John Jakway, Emery L. Wallace, Marvin Andros, Stanley Hanks, Reuben I. Lackey

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C. Wallace Green, Robert Stemme, By Napier, Duane Luneman, Fran Faber, Mrs. Paul Allen, Larry Zimmerman, Howard Krueger, Marshall Genshow

Committee on Planning and Research:
Laymen: Fremont Fletcher, Clyde A. Ruebel, Monte Mason, Dr. William Carr
Ministers: Jerry McInnis, William G. Law, Chester Pennington, R. F. Marks
Ex-Officio: Bishop Paul Washburn
District Supt: Wayne Ireland

B. CONFERENCE BOARDS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Class of 1971: Robert Engstrom, Edward Hoffman, Bennett Brudevold, William Kvale
Class of 1973: Robert Painter, Perry Hultin, Al Pope, Robert Warzetha

BOARD OF PENSIONS

Class of 1972: Ministers: Jay N. Bostrom, William Kvale, Clifford M. Wittstruck, Stanley Propp
Laymen: G. B. Spencer, Dr. S. A. Whitson, Donald E. Bridgman, James Urbach
Laymen: Theodore Drackley, Richard Parish, William Boyles, Lyle Buller

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Chairman: Clemmet Peterson

Section on Local Church:
Chairman: Alvin Meier
Children's Ministry: Mrs. Willard Krinkie, Mrs. John Redman
Youth Ministry: Marcia Dunn
Adult Ministry: Wayne Abdella, Kenneth Rice
Family Life Ministry: Gordon Wendland
Others: Mrs. Robert Naas, Mrs. Marvin Wiegreffe, Elizabeth Suiter

Section on Camps and Conferences:
Chairman: James Schneider
John Brudevold, Mrs. A. D. Headley, Mrs. William Hudson, Robert Hunter,
Milton Lentz, Clemmet Peterson, Earl Werner, Vernon Schendel

Section on High Education and Campus Ministry:
Chairman: Bruce Buller
Mrs. Ivan Burnison, Lyle Christianson, James R. Nelson, Mrs. Clarence
Richardson, Mrs. George Skewes, Lonnel Moon, Don Fredrick, Mary
Kaffron

Staff: Donald Germain

District Superintendent: Paul Metzger

Camps and Conferences

Chairman: James Schneider

Board of Education Members (Section on Camps and Conferences): John
Brudevold, Mrs. A. D. Headley, Mrs. William Hudson, Robert Hunter,
Milton Lentz, Clemmet Peterson, Earl E. Werner, Vernon Schendel

Additional Members:
Children’s ministry: Mrs. Willard Krinkie
Youth Ministry: Barbara Metzger
Adult Ministry: Wayne Abdella
Family life Ministry: E. Gordon Wendland
WSCS Representative: Mrs. Curtis Paulson
Board of Trustees Representative: Edward Hoffman
Board of Laity Representative: Claude Bewell

District Directors of Camping and Junior High Work:
Central: Laurence Foote
Metropolitan East: Robert Hoeft
Metropolitan North: J. Harley Thompson
Metropolitan South: David Schneider
Northeast: James Roe
Northwest: Ronald Hume
Southeast: John Phillippe
Southwest: Ed Bissell

Camp Boards of Management (Representatives):
Decision Hills—Theodore Drackley
Frontenac—Claude Bewell
Kingswood—Larry Boardman
Koronis Assembly Grounds—Roy Marks
Wilderness Camps (Spen Lake, Ko-Wa-Kan)—Dwight Haberman
Northern Pines—Alex Ramos
Star Lake—Ed Shannon
Trail Camp—Douglas Marks
Koronis Assembly Representative: Richard Smith
At Large: Peter Law, Joyce Haberman, Harold Biederman
Staff: Donald L. Germain
District Superintendent: Willard Allin

Higher Education and Campus Ministry

Chairman: Bruce Buller
Board of Education Members (Section on Higher Education and Campus Ministry):
Mrs. Ivan Burnison, Lyle Christianson, James R. Nelson, Mrs. Clarence Richardson, Mrs. George Skewes, Lonnel Moon, Don Fredrick, Judy Pentz
Additional Members:
Representative, Hamline University: Dean Charles Walker
Representative, Association of Campus Ministers:
At Large: Mrs. Kenneth Beck, Carl Caskey, Donovan Hull, Howard Jones, Dr. Forrest Moore, Robert Ouradnik, Clair D. Wilcoxon, Ed Stevens, Clem Nagel Jr.
Ex Officio: Bishop Paul Washburn
Conference Director of Education or other staff member: Charles Purdham
Additional Youth Members:
Five youth to be named by Board of Education
District Superintendent: Paul Metzger

Minnesota Commission, United Ministries in Higher Education

United Methodist Representatives:
Forrest Moore, Donovan Hull, Mrs. George Skewes, Lyle Christianson, Bruce Buller

Children's Ministry

Board of Education Members (Section on Local Church): Mrs. Willard Krinkie, Elizabeth Suiter, Mrs. John Redman
District Directors:
Central: Mrs. Kenneth Parker
Metropolitan East: Robert Havens
Metropolitan North: Mrs. Donald Day
Metropolitan South: Mrs. Robert Burton
Northeast: Mrs. Richard Anthony
Northwest: Mrs. Howard Jones
Southeast: Mrs. Glen Gardner
Southwest: Mrs. Maynard Lawrence
At Large: Mrs. John Schindler, Mrs. Lyle Schrieber, Constance Carothers, Mrs. Richard Greengo, Mrs. John Grimm, Mrs. Robert Kugler
Staff: Donald L. Germain
District Superintendent: Gerald Walder
Youth Ministry Council
Calendar year of 1971

Adults
Bob Hunter
Ronald Hillstrom
Tom Brennan
Larry Nielsen
John Fair
Thomas Wright
Roger Lynn
Bob Ford
Peggy Swain
Don Berglund
Mrs. Curtis Paulsen
Edwin O. Bissell
Kenneth Nicholson
Don Utzman
Mrs. R. Dean Headley

Youth
Beth Moore
Perry Olson
Lili Church
Blaine Karsten
Nancy Vennhuis
Cora Lee Flora
Roxann Ness
Mike Turner
Margaret Reko
Bill Holland
Marilyn Fenner
Lynn Decker
3 additional youth members

District Directors of Youth Ministry

Central: Larry Nielsen
Metro East: Bob Gamble
Metro North: Tom Wright
Metro South: Larry Houseman

District Superintendent: Thomas Walker

Adult Ministry

Chairman: Wayne Abdella

Board of Education Members (Section on Local Church): Kenneth Rice

District Directors:
Central: Joyce Haberman
Metropolitan East: Kenneth Wellman
Metropolitan North: Richard Lunde
Metropolitan South: Clarence Richardson
Northeast: Donald Mielke
Northwest: Clinton Becker
Southeast: John Payne
Southwest: Howard Krueger

At Large: Wilfred Plummer, Mrs. Charles Hayes, Kenneth Rice

Staff: Donald L. Germain

District Superintendent: Allen Flohr

Family Life Ministry

Board of Education Members (Section on Local Church): Gordon Wendland, chairman

District Directors:
Central: Richard Gist
Metropolitan East: Mrs. Earl Rode
Metropolitan North: James McChesney
Metropolitan South: Mrs. Wesley Meligren
Northeast: Eugene Grover
Northwest: Bernard West
Southeast: Harold Stuart
Southwest: Mrs. John Redman

At Large: Duane Lunemann

Staff: Donald L. Germain

District Superintendent: Wayne Ireland

WSCS Representative:

College Age Youth: Margaret Dagg, Pengilly
Youth Representative: Marie Samuelson, St. Paul

BOARD OF EVANGELISM

Chairman: Richard Smith

District Superintendent: E. R. Praetorius

Conference Secretary or Director of Evangelism: Floyd Bosshardt

District Secretaries of Evangelism:
- Central: Marvin Repinski
- Metropolitan East: Forest Strnad
- Metropolitan North: Paul Ingelin
- Metropolitan South: Joseph Grostephan
- Northeast: Donald Haarup
- Northwest: Royal Steiner
- Southeast: Earl Toy
- Southwest: Keith Duehn

One pastor and one layman from each district:
- Central: Kenneth Rogers, Stanley Lindholm
- Metropolitan East: Charles Nelson, Mrs. Dewey Force
- Metropolitan North: J. Harley Thompson, Robert Drake
- Metropolitan South: Norman Lidke, Donald Gilbertson
- Northeast: Lawrence Zimmerman, Mrs. Donald Mielke
- Northwest:
- Southeast: T. R. Moritz, Elmer Wright
- Southwest: Dwight Hendricks, Harold Jagodzinske

Laywoman from WSCS: Mrs. Charles Purdharn

Representative of Conference UMYF: Jane Jagerson, Beth Moore

Member of National Board: George Chant, Russell Praetorius

“No More than 10” At Large,
Ellis Saxton
Representative of the Board of Laity:

BOARD OF MINISTRY


DISTRICT BOARDS OF THE MINISTRY

CENTRAL DISTRICT: Frederick J. Krueger, L. C. Nielsen, Delmont K. Gordy, Kenneth O. Beck, Roy E. Marks

METROPOLITAN EAST DISTRICT: Ray Boehlke, Clare Karsten, Thomas Gotschall, Virgil Coburn, Ronald Guderian

METROPOLITAN NORTH DISTRICT: D. J. Lunemann, Gordon Minehart, Robert Bailey. From Conference Board—Charles Purdham, Donald Walkes, C. C. Peterson


NORTHEAST DISTRICT: Dwight Haberman, E. J. Walker, Willert Zahl, Wilbert Traver, Willard Bell, Harry Jones

NORTHWEST DISTRICT: Alex Ramos, Kenneth Wiley, Robert Fegan, Clinton Becker, Ronald Hume, John Fair, Fred Atkinson

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT: Stanley Hanks, Clemmet Peterson, Earl Toy, Merle Dunn, Harlyn Hagmann. From Conference Board—Richard Harper

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT: Herbert F. Cook, Perry Hultin, Dwight Hendricks, Oley Wilson, Forrest Davis. From Conference Board—Marvin Eppard

AID FUND FOR MINISTERIAL STUDENTS

Board of Laity: Glenn Shaw, Walter Merkel

Board of Ministry: Emery Wallace, Mary MacNicholl

Ex officio: Registrar of Board of Ministry, Richard Reynolds
BOARD OF HEALTH AND WELFARE MINISTRIES

District Representatives:
Central:
   Metropolitan East: Burton Passer
   Metropolitan North: Edward Foote, Lloyd Burquest
   Metropolitan South: Donald Woodward, Dr. Wayne Chadburn
Northeast: Dale Sanders, Dr. Martin Munson
Northwest: LaVerne Johnson, Arnold Johnson
Southeast: David Achterkirch, Dr. Kenneth Berge
Southwest: H. F. Cook, Mrs. C. W. Spear

Hospital and Home Administrators and Chaplains:
Staff Representative: John Espie

Cabinet Representative:

BOARD OF THE LAITY

Conference Lay Leader: Wally Green
*Associate Conference Lay Leader—Stewardship: Warren Schultz
*Conference Director of Stewardship: John Espie
*Associate Conference Lay Leader—Lay Life and Work: Dr. Milton Mootz
*Secretary: Dr. Harry Kitts
*Treasurer: Mrs. Blake Sower
*Conference Director of United Methodist Men: Dave Schultz
*Conference Director of Lay Speaking: Dana Zimmerli
*Conference Director of Lay Leadership Training: Kermit Wolf

District Lay Leaders:
   Central: Dr. Donald Mattson
   Metropolitan East: Fred Irwin
   Metropolitan North: George Ewing
   Metropolitan South: Robert Schmidt
Northeast: Ray Kolbe
Northwest: Paul Gress
Southeast: Dale Hugus
Southwest: Winfield Forsberg

*An associate lay leader of life and work and an associate district lay leader of stewardship and finance from each district will be elected by district Boards of the Laity.

One minister from each district on the board and on its Commission of Stewardship and Finance:
Central: Layen Adelmann
Metropolitan East: Burton Passer
Metropolitan North: Donald Walkes
Metropolitan South: Bennett Brudevold
Northeast: Leslie Drake
Northwest: John Fair
Southeast: Glenn Quam
Southwest: John Miller

Conference President of WSCS: Mrs. Alan B. Larson

Representative of United Methodist Youth: Valerie Clark, Morris

Three Age-level coordinators:
The district superintendents

*Elected by the Board of Laity

BOARD OF MISSIONS

Chairman: Jack Parriott

Executive-Missionary Secretary: Floyd Bosshardt

Section on Parish Development

Chairman: Delton Krueger

District Superintendent: Thomas Walker

Metropolitan Ministries:

Three District Representatives; North—George Ewing; South—Bruce Buller; East—Joseph Pilate

At Large: Ralph Quiggle, John Schindler, Gordon Minehart, Bert Nienaber, Wally Green, Bob Engstrom, Melvyn Budke, Mrs. Erma Craven, James Clayton

One High School Student: Donna Anderson

One College Student: Hervey Greer

One Young Adult: Jerry McRoberts

Three Metropolitan Superintendents:

Five additional under plan of Union to be named by Board of Missions:

Bryan Peterson, Rollie Robinson, Clare Karsten, James Schneider, Bruce Erickson

Smaller Communities:

Five District Representatives: Northwest—Don Garber; Northeast—Dwight Haberman, secretary; Central—Delton Krueger; Southwest—Dr. John Watkins; Southeast—Dave Roberson

At Large: Ted Colescott, Chairman; Jack Parriott

Conference WSCS President: Mrs. Alan B. Larson

Representative from Board of Education: Bruce Buller

One High School Student: Chad Piehl

Church and Community Workers;

District Superintendents: Clarence Nicholas, Gerald Walder
Section on Church Extension

Chairman: George Chant

Eight District Representatives:
- Central: Hillis Myers
- Metropolitan East: Frank DeCourcy
- Metropolitan North: Lyle Krumrie
- Metropolitan South: George Chant
- Northeast: Arthur Kramer
- Northwest: Ronald Hume
- Southeast: Merle Dunn
- Southwest: Dudley Keech

Three Representatives from City Unions:
- St. Paul—Herbert Lancaster
- Minneapolis—Herman Carlson
- Duluth—Maynard Eng

Conference Secretary of Evangelism: Floyd Bosshardt

Chairman of Minimum Salary: David Gray

At Large: Stuart Joranson

District Superintendent: Russell Praetorius

Section on Education and Cultivation

Chairman: Delmont Gordy

Eight District Representatives:
- Central: Delmont Gordy
- Metropolitan East: Dennis Ruhnke
- Metropolitan North: Clayton Burgess
- Metropolitan South: Conrad Hanson
- Northeast: William Kvale
- Northwest: Howard Jones
- Southeast: Paul Bosshardt
- Southwest: Rex Logan

Eight WSCS District Missionary Education Chairmen:
- Central: Mrs. Bernice Nehring
- Metropolitan East: Mrs. E. T. Hare
- Metropolitan North: Mrs. Ezra Miller
- Metropolitan South: Mrs. Joseph F. Anderson
- Northeast: Mrs. Edwin Jessen
- Northwest: Mrs. Robert Aldrich
- Southeast: Mrs. W. C. Bicknese
- Southwest: Mrs. Matthew C. Smith

Representative of Board of the Laity: John Vandermyde

WSCS Chairman of Missionary Education: Mrs. Paul Lundeen
UMCOR Representative: Omar Hardin
Jurisdictional Rep. on National Board: Mrs. W. W. Zahl
District Superintendent: Gerald Walder

BOARD OF CHURCH LOCATION AND BUILDING

CENTRAL DISTRICT: Ministers—Frederic J. Krueger, Lawrence W. Hogenson, Robert Stemme
Laymen—Hillis Myers, Bryant Spencer, Leon Pease


METROPOLITAN EAST DISTRICT: Ministers—Omar Hardin, Tom Gotschall, Alvin C. Meier,
Laymen—Richard Talbott, Ralph Klinkerfues, Harold Krinkie

METROPOLITAN NORTH DISTRICT: Ministers—Roderick McDonald, Arthur Hill, Robert McClelland
Laymen—Robert Gerke, John Thuirer, George Ewing

METROPOLITAN SOUTH DISTRICT: Ministers—Wayne Abdella, Bennett Brudevold, Douglas Marks
Laymen: William Theil, Harold Larson, Frank Reese

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT: Ministers—Alquinn Toews, Allyn Hanson, Robert Rollin, Carlton Forshee, Robert Painter
Laymen—James Gross, Herb Braatz, Charles Ramthun, P. Earl Schwab, Sidney Chase

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT: A—Walter Crabtree, Jack Parriott, Keith E. Duehn, Clarence Blue, Oliver Martin, Allen Higgins
B—John Miller, Donald Lyon, John Rebstock, Darrell Fauskee, Neil Frakes, John A. Meyer

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS

Executive Committee:
Chairman: W. T. Horst
Vice-Chairman: Howard Bredesen
Secretary: Mrs. Lyle Schreiber
Assistant Treasurer: Jerald Jackson
Public Relations: Mrs. E. E. O'Brien
Chairman, General Welfare: Charles Berg
Chairman, Human Relations: Gary Bruening
Chairman, World Peace: Mrs. Ralph Howe
WSCS Conference Secretary of Christian Social Relations: Mrs. Gordon Gilman
Eight District Directors:
  Central: Kenneth Beck  
  Metropolitan East: William Cox  
  Metropolitan North: C. C. Peterson  
  Metropolitan South: Douglas Marks  
  Northeast: James Ross  
  Northwest: William Butterfield  
  Southeast: Manning Van Nostrand  
  Southwest: Carlton Bauer

District Superintendent: Willard Allin

Program Staff: Charles Purdham

Eight District WSCS Secretaries of Christian Social Relations:
  Central: Mrs. Elmer Herzberg  
  Metropolitan East: Mrs. James Reynolds  
  Metropolitan North: Mrs. Glyde Snyder  
  Metropolitan South: Mrs. Warren Sprague  
  Northeast: Mrs. Dale Shanks  
  Northwest: Mrs. George Privatsky  
  Southeast: Mrs. W. H. Lillie  
  Southwest: Mrs. Harlan Lieske

Youth Representative: Chairman of Legislative Affairs—Marcia Dunn

Student Representative: LeRoy Gasner

Lay Members at Large:
  Mrs. Gene Thompson, Mrs. Lawrence Larson, Mrs. Wegner Collins, Mrs. Robert Murray, Mrs. Erma Craven, Henry Southworth, Evan Hollingsworth, Donald Ackland, Harry Ross, Mrs. Kenneth Wagner, Douglas Olson, Mrs. Andra Florenz, Mrs. Donald Mielke, Ed Schoppert, Ernest Schafer, Tom Strahan, Sam Richardson

Ministers at Large:

Advisory: Dwight Culver, Paul Engstrom, Donald Irish, Leonard Boche

Member of General Board: Deane Postlethwaite

C. CONFERENCE COMMISSIONS

COMMISSION ON WORSHIP

Chairman: Lowell Reinking

District Directors: (one minister and one layman from each district)
  Central: Richard Collman, Mrs. Frederic Krueger
  Metropolitan East: John Richardson, Mrs. C. Dudley Merk
  Metropolitan North: Thomas Wright
Metropolitan South: Charles Dundas, Mrs. David Schneider
Northeast: Mrs. Harry Dack, Irving Palm
Northwest: Richard Kretzschmar, Mrs. David Gray
Southeast: Roger Parks
Southwest: Dale Wordelman, Mrs. A. F. Krosch

At Large: Robert Kendall, Robert Scoggin, Richard Waggoner, Mrs. Leslie Gasner, Carlton Bauer, Mrs. Brady Mann

COMMISSION ON ECUMENICAL AFFAIRS

Chairman: Mrs. A. O. Hoistad
Vice-Chairman: Glenn Martin
Secretary: Dennis Ruhnke

District Representatives: (One minister and one layman from each district)
- Central: Joyce Haberman, Lyle Day
- Metropolitan East: Robert Laidig, Mrs. A. O. Hoistad
- Metropolitan North: Robert Bailey, Benjamin Greer
- Metropolitan South: Bruce Buller, Mrs. Charles Hoyt
- Northeast: Philip Weiler, Neil Waldo
- Northwest: David Gray, Mrs. Henry Holand
- Southeast: Roger Parks, Mrs. Richard Ormsby
- Southwest: Edward Stevens, Mrs. Merle Fellman

Smaller Community Ministries: Delton Krueger

District Superintendent: Paul Metzger
Program Staff: Charles Purdham
Ex Officio: Bishop Paul Washburn

Campus Ministry Representative: Carl Caskey
Youth Representative: Chairman for Ecumenical Affairs
WSCS Representative: Mrs. Kenneth Dowell
Board of the Laity Representative: John Espie

National Council of Churches Representative: Lyle Christianson

United Methodist Delegates to:
(A) JUMP (Joint Urban Ministries Project): Charles Nelson, Wilson Yates, Bruce Buller, Margaret Kretting
(C) Young Adult Program: Steven Schomberg, Joseph Pilate, Clare Karsten
(D) Department of Indian Work, Minnesota Council of Churches: Miss Mona Monegar, Mrs. Helen West, Glenn Martin
Minnesota Council of Churches Ecumenical Committee:
Class of 1971: Mrs. Erma Craven, Mrs. Robert Munson, Richard Hoffman, Leonard Harkness, Mrs. Arthur Hoistad, Clemmet Peterson, Deane Postlethwaite, Robert Laidig, Mrs. Alan Larson, Gene Halverson, Harold Dayton, Donald Mielke, Mrs. Harold King

Class of 1972: John Espie, Mrs. Robert Murray, Oscar Mayes, Benjamin Greer, William Law, Glenn Martin, Russell Hubbard, Mrs. Edward Martin, Glenroy J. Kunau, Dr. Arthur Flemming, H. F. Cook, Melvyn Budke, Mrs. Harold Lueck

Class of 1973: Kenneth Beck, George Chant, Mrs. Charles Hoyt, Bruce Buller, Mrs. David Cervenka, E. J. Walker, Philip Weiler, Dennis Ruhnke, Charles Nelson, Carl Caskey

Representative to Silver Bay Committee: Philip Weiler

CAPITAL FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT AND FINANCE COMMISSION
Class of 1971: C. G. Retherford, Wesley Mellgren, William Kirchner
Class of 1972: James Hesketh, Frank DeCourcy, Howard Paschke
Class of 1973: George Reppe, Deane Postlethwaite, Bennett G. Brudevold

Representative of Board of Trustees: Alvyn L. Pope
Representative of Board of Missions: George W. Chant
Representative of Conference Office of Finance: John Espie
District Superintendent:

COMMISSION ON ARCHIVES AND HISTORY
President: R. S. Heitke
Vice President: LeRoy Klaus
Historian, Ex. Director: Orval C. Dittes
Secretary: Jay Bostrom
Consultants: C. W. Schevenius, C. W. Rife, E. F. Baumhofer
District Superintendent:
Alternate of Representative of WSCS: Mrs. Glenn Shaw

Class of 1971: Miss Gertrude Gove, Ally Hanson, Richard Gist, Clinton Becker, Eugene Grover

Class of 1972: Ernest Lowe, George Butters, M. E. Jarchow, Roy Lockhart, R. S. Heitke

Class of 1973: LeRoy Klaus, Jay Bostrom, Orval C. Dittes, Mrs. Wesley Happel, Harold Kraft

Class of 1974: Carl Mahle, W. T. Butterfield, Philip Hinerman, Clayton Burgess, Ed Pfeifer

Representative to Program Council:
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Representative of Cabinet: Clarence Nicholas
Conference Program Director: Charles Purdham
Conference Director of Youth Ministries: Donald L. Germain
Chairman or Member of Board of the Ministry: Robert Painter

One representative each from Board of:
Christian Social Concerns: Carleton Bauer
Education: Clemmet Peterson
Evangelism: Richard Smith
Health and Welfare Ministries: Edward Foote
Laity: Dr. Harry W. Kitts
Missions: Frank DeCourcy

Conference WSCS Chairman of Missionary Education: Mrs. Paul Lundeen
Campus Ministry Representative: Fred Atkinson
A Deaconness: Verda L. Aegerter
Youth Representative: Marie Samuelson

District Secretaries of Enlistment for Church Occupations:
  Central: Vinton Beckstrom
  Metropolitan East: Melvyn Budke
  Metropolitan North: Wendell Ankeny
  Metropolitan South: Richard Smith
  Northeast: Robert C. Howard
  Northwest: Jonathan Law
  Southeast: Carlton Forshee
  Southwest: David Bosshardt

At Large: Roderick McDonald, Myrtle Immer, Judy Knobloch, C. O. Becker
Staff: Floyd Bosshardt

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Ministers: Donald Sheffield, E. Jerry Walker, Harlyn Hagmann, Kenneth Giere, Robert McClelland
Laymen: Willis A. Kerns, Everett Savage, Robert Anderson, Calvin Rice, William Bevan, Wesley Mellgren

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1971: David Gray, Jack Parriott, R. Perry Anderson, Ronald Rieke
1972: Arthur Goold, Myles Giese, Mrs. Blake Sower, John Rebstock
1973: Ronald Guderian, Kenneth Wellman, William Merritt, Dr. Cecil Fuller

One District Superintendent:
D. CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE SESSIONS

1971: Mrs. Alan B. Larson, Ezra Budke, Thomas Brennan
1972: Mrs. H. A. Rasmussen, Donald Walkes, Kenneth Beck
1973: Mrs. Forrest Moore, Gordon Minehart, Wally Green

Two District Superintendents:
Bishop Paul Washburn
Conference Secretary: Gerald Young
Conference Program Director: Charles Purdham
Host Pastor:

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Chairman: Harold Zart
1971: William Larson, Keith Duehn
1972: Harold Zart, J. Alpha Genmill
1973: Roger Anderson, David Schneider
1974: Russell Hubbard, George Johnson

One District Superintendent:
Alternate: Thomas J. Griffith
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Nominated by the Cabinet:

Ministers:
M: Lewis Allin, Frank DeCourcy, Harold Dayton
E: Ed Stevens

Laymen:
M: Mrs. Roscoe Haining, Glenn Shaw, Mrs. Wegner Collins, Monte Mason
E: Mrs. Wesley Mellgren

Elected by Districts:
Central: Charles Berg
Metropolitan East: Clare Karsten, Robert Laidig
Metropolitan North: Robert Bailey
Metropolitan South: Clifford Rutherford
Northeast: John Jakaway
Northwest: John Fair
Southeast: B. C. Siewert
Southwest: Ralph High

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Dexter Miller, Ralph Shoemaker, John Blackford, Thomas Brennan, Howard Krueger, Clarence Richardson

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One minister and one layman from each District:
Central: Lauritz Nielsen, Lyndon Abraham
Metropolitan East: Delburn Kurtz, Monte Mason
Metropolitan North: Gordon Minehart, Vern Curtis
Metropolitan South: Deane Postlethwaite, Fran Faber
Northeast: Leslie Drake, Gene Halverson
Northwest: Edward Shannon, Ed Fabian
Southeast: Merle Dunn, Arthur Hill
Southwest: John Miller, Mrs. Dana Zimmerli

District Committeemen:
Central:
Metropolitan East: Leonard Harkness, Omar Hardin
Metropolitan North:
Metropolitan South: Warren Schultz, Bruce Buller
Northeast:
Northwest:
Southeast: Robert E. Rollin, Vernon T. Clark
Southwest: Wayne Ankeny, Herbert F. Cook

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COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

Members: Calvin Peterson, Winfield Haycock, Clayton Burgess, Ernest Lowe, Herbert Frank

Alternates: Dwight Haberman, Frank DeCourcy, Omer Leske, Marvin Eppard, Paul Ingelin

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Laymen: Fremont Fletcher, Clyde A. Ruebel, Monte Mason, Dr. William Carr

Ministers: Jerry McInnis, William G. Law, Chester Pennington, R. E. Marks

Bishop Washburn, ex officio

One District Superintendent:

COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS

District Representatives:
- Central: Ezra H. Budke
- Metropolitan East: Omar Hardin
- Metropolitan North: Stuart Joransen
- Metropolitan South: Ralph Shoemaker
- Northeast: John White
- Northwest: Verne Schendel
- Southeast: Frank Christenson
- Southwest: Harold Kraft

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At Large: (Elected by Board) Willard Allin, Edward Shannon, Lloyd Burquest

Staff: Donald L. Germain

NOMINATIONS FOR FRONTENAC CAMP

For election by Annual Conference:
1971: Darrell Dotzenrod, Virgil Coburn, Charles Bauer
1972: Richard Harper, Glenn L. Quam, Russell Hubbard
1973: Harold Clark, Robert Tard
1974: Warren E. Sommerfield, Delburn Kurtz, John Phillippe

Elected by Frontenac Corporation:
1971: John Blackford, Robert Rollin, Ron Haase
1972: Roy Wittenborg, P. Earl Schwab, Claude Bewell
1973: Kermit Wolf, Albert Nienaber, Jr., Robert Hoeft
1974: Thomas Gotschall, Forest V. Strnad

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Kermit Decker Class of 1974
Cliff Heitke Class of 1974
David Schneider Class of 1974
Roy Marks Class of 1973
Omer A. Leske Class of 1973
Emanuel Skafte Class of 1973
Layen R. Adelmann Class of 1972
Earl E. Werner Class of 1972
Mrs. Wesley Mellgren Class of 1971
W. G. Manz Class of 1971
Vernon Schendel Class of 1971

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Delmont Gordy, Pastor of Paynesville Church
Ray Bochlke, Trustee representative

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BEMIDJI STATE COLLEGE

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Class of 1972: Clemmet A. Peterson, Dwight Haberman
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The Central District Lay Leader:
The Southwest District Lay Leader: Winfield Forsberg
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Southwest District director of youth: Thomas Brennan
Central District director of camping:
Southwest District director of camping: Edwin Bissell
Corporation president: Edwin Bissell
Conference director of camping: Donald Germain

CORPORATION OF ASBURY METHODIST HOSPITAL


III. DAILY PROCEEDINGS

Monday Afternoon

Call to Order—The 116th session of the Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church was called to order by Bishop Paul A. Washburn at 1:30 P.M. on Monday, June 8, 1970, at Skoglund Athletic Center at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota.

Worship Service—Lowell Reinking led the conference in the opening worship.

Welcome—Bishop Washburn introduced Dr. Sidney A. Rand, president of St. Olaf College, who welcomed the conference to the campus.

Roll Call—The secretary announced the roll call of ministers and laymen.

Delegates Expense—Dwight Hendricks instructed the members on the preparation of the expense cards.

Introductions—Bishop Washburn introduced Clarence Nicholas and Thomas Walker, newly appointed district superintendents, to the conference. Also presented were the wives of the superintendents and the two men, I. S. Cowman and Clarence Richardson, whose terms as superintendents have been completed.

District Superintendents’ Report—The district superintendents’ report was read by Clarence Richardson who moved its adoption. Seconded and carried.

Introduction of Youth Members—Bishop Washburn introduced the youth members to the conference and asked if it was willing to allow the youth the privilege of speaking. It was voted and approved.

Conference Staff Report—Wilbur Grose presented the composite report of the conference staff. It was moved and seconded to refer the items of the report to the proper legislative committees. Passed. (Bishop Washburn noted that Wilbur Grose and Fred Smith would be retiring from active service this conference.) The conference staff was introduced.

Legislative Committee References—Wilbur Grose recommended the following resolutions found in the pre-conference reports be considered by legislative as follows:

- U. S. policy toward Portugal-Africa in U.N. to #11
- Draft Appeal to #10
- Women’s Rights to #10
- Parimutuel betting to #9
- Racial intermarriage to #10
- Abortion to #9
- Population Explosion in the U. S. to #9
- Pollution to #10
- Project Equality to #10
- Communication to #21
- Ecumenical Affairs to #1
- Education, Local Church to #4
- Education, Camps to #2
- Education, Higher to #3
- Education, recommendations to annual conference to #17

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Enlistment and church occupations to #17
Evangelism to #5
Health and Welfare to #9
Laity, Stewardship and Finance to #12
Laity, Lay life and work to #15

Recess—The conference was in recess.

Further References—For Christian Social Concerns Toby Horst moved the reference of the following items to the appropriate legislative committees:
Highway safety and drinking drivers to #9
Drug and alcohol concerns to #9
Birth control through sterilization to #9
Macalester College U. N. proposal to #11
Student dissent and the polarization of society to #11
Support of Hatfield-McGovern resolution to #11
The Church and American society to #10
Civil liberties and dissent to both #10 and #17
Church-government relations and education to #10
The Church and tax exemptions to #10

Passed.

Floyd Bossardt moved these references from the Addendum to Report of Missions as follows:
To #6—Minutes of Urban Ministries Department of Parish and Development section and minutes of section of Minnesota Missions and Church extension.
To #6—Minutes of two sections, allocation of $30,300 interest money, church extension procedure policy and recommendation regarding Jonathan Religious Corporation.
To #7—Minutes of section and record of conference salary supplement.
To #8—Minutes of section, statement defining Advance Special giving, list of Advance Special projects, record of missionaries receiving support from Minnesota churches and Peruvian Earthquake Appeal.

Passed.

Wilbur Grose moved the recommendations of the Program Council regarding communications and T. A. N. E. be referred to #21. Passed.

Bruce Buller moved that the Program Council recommendation about the United Ministries Constitution be referred to #3. Passed.

John Espie moved that the supplemental report of the Trustees be referred #14. Passed.

Moved that Christian Advocate to ministers be referred to #10. Passed.


Clem Peterson moved that item #6 of Program Council recommendations (Emergency Aid Fund) be referred to #17. Passed.

Wilbur Grose moved the Program Council recommendation on housing for ministers be referred to #17 (Ministry) and #14 (Trustees). Passed.
Wilbur Grose moved the Program Council recommendations on Willson Associates, Inc. study be referred to #18, #19 and #20. Passed.

Wilbur Sayles moved the Laity recommendations in the pre-conference reports, page 29, be referred to #15. Passed.

Recognition—Kathleen Haining, chairwoman of the Program Council, introduced Fred Smith and Wilbur Grose, retiring conference staff members, and presented each with a plaque of recognition and a check.

Program Director-elect—Bishop Washburn introduced Charles Purdham who is to be the new program director.

St. Olaf Center Director—Amil Anderson was introduced to the conference.

Calvary Church—Mr. Wynn, lay member of Calvary moved that the request for funds for his church be referred to Missions (#6). Passed.

Conference Preacher—It was moved, seconded and carried to take a ballot for the conference preacher for 1971. Ballots were taken.

Words of Testimony—The bishop called on anyone to express a word of testimony and encouragement to the conference. Several members responded. The motion was made, seconded and carried that the conference stand in silent prayer for Dr. Paul Snyder during his illness. It was done and concluded with prayer by Bishop Washburn for all persons and situations mentioned during the testimony.

Greetings—It was moved to send a telegram of greeting and congratulation to Judge Harry A. Blackmun (Christ Church, Rochester) in recognition of his being sworn in as an Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court. Carried.

First consent Calendar—The secretary read the first consent calendar. It was comprised of the 1969 reports of boards and agencies as follows:

- Ecumenical Affairs
- Education
- Evangelism
- Hamline University
- Health and Welfare Ministries
- Montevideo Methodist Home, Inc.
- Walker Methodist Residence and Nursing Home, Inc.
- Paul Watkins Memorial Methodist Home
- Laity (excluding items one through four on pages 68-69 of pre-conference book)
- Minnesota Council of Churches
- Missions
- Women's Society of Christian Service
- Commission on World Service and Finance (Pages 75-76 of pre-conference book)

Privilege—J. Harley Thompson introduced J. W. Lillico to the conference who spoke a few words of admonition and appreciation.

Willson Associates, Inc. Report—Bishop Washburn gave some introductory remarks about the report and introduced Dwight Peterson, one of the associates, who reported on the study to the conference.
Additional References to Legislative Committees—It was moved, seconded and carried that the Items #1 and #2 of Program Council recommendations in the pre-conference reports and the mimeographed Items #3 and #4 from the Program Council be referred to legislative committees as follows:

Item One—(nominations or appointments to program agencies between conference sessions, page four of pre-conference book) to #1

Item Two—(Program staff tenure of six years, page 4 of pre-conference book) to #1

Item Three—(Archives and History be represented on Program Council) to #1.

Item Four—(Membership of Planning and Research Committee) to #1.

Recess—Bishop Washburn led the conference in prayer and the session was in recess.

Episcopal Address and Memorial Service—Members of the conference gathered in the Boe Memorial Chapel to hear the reading of the memorial roll by Wilbert Traver and the episcopal address. Thomas Wright was the liturgist and Bishop Washburn addressed the conference on the subject, "Let My People Go."

Tuesday Morning

Worship—The conference began the morning with worship in Boe Chapel led by William Kvale. Dr. Chester Pennington, Conference Preacher, brought the message on "Half-Truths and a Whole Gospel."

The morning was spent with the legislative committees in session considering proposals for presentation to the conference.

Tuesday Afternoon

Call to Order—Bishop Washburn called the conference to order and led in prayer.

Courtesies—Lyle Koerper, Director of Development of Westmar College, was introduced to the conference.

Board of Ministry—Charles Purdham introduced Russell Hubbard who read the names of the men retiring at this conference: Paul R. Brown, Wilbur D. Grose, Harley E. Hiller, Henry H. Lewis, John G. Lewis, Carl H. Linden, I. Hsin Liu, Axel C. Long, Merlin W. McGladrey, Ralph H. Manwiller, Frederick M. Smith, Roy C. Thompson, Delbert S. Tryon, Roy Wiberg and Stanley Williams (The latter three by a ¾ vote in accordance with The Discipline, par. 363.1). They were presented pins and certificates and each made a few remarks to the conference. Bishop Washburn asked Gerald McCullough, Ed Foote and Richard Harper to say a word of appreciation in response. The conference joined in the singing of "Blest Be The Tie."

Courtesies—Dr. Jameson Jones, president of Iliff School of Theology, was introduced to the conference.

Legislative Committee #10—Social Concerns (Human Relations)—Larry Nielsen moved that the resolution on extremism be included as a part of the legislative committee recommendation. Passed. It was moved, seconded and carried to concur with the resolution on extremism. Richard Wiggins moved a substitute motion that the report of this legislative committee be accepted without discussion and spend the next hour in prayer. Defeated.
It was moved, seconded and carried to accept the resolution on pollution.
The resolutions on racial intermarriage were regularly adopted.
The conference accepted with approval the recommendation to adopt the resolution on women's rights.
The resolution on civil liberties and dissent was recommended for adoption. Ed Foote moved to delete on page one of the background material the last sentence of paragraph four, beginning "Generally, law enforcement . . ." Following discussion, the motion to delete was adopted. Jonathan Low moved to amend paragraph A on page two of the background material of this resolution by adding the words "of Jesus Christ" following the words "the stance." Adopted. The main motion to adopt the amended resolution carried.

Recess—The conference was in recess.
Project equality was the first resolution considered following recess. It was regularly adopted.

Courtesies—Reuben Job of the General Board of Evangelism was introduced to the conference. He presented Bishop Washburn with the 100,000th copy of the bishop's book, "The United Methodist Primer," to which Bishop Washburn responded with gratitude.

Legislative Committee #9—Social Concerns (General Welfare)—Dorothy Gridley recommended the adoption of the resolutions on abortion. Richard Mathison moved to delete the first resolution (repeal of existing abortion laws and place abortion procedures under Medical Practices Act) in the pre-conference book on page 18. It was rejected. The main motion to adopt the two resolutions was adopted.

Parimutuel betting was considered next with the motion to adopt the resolution as recommended by the legislative committee instead of as the pre-conference reports define it. Cal Daniels moved a substitute motion to leave the resolution as in the pre-conference reports. Carried. The main motion to adopt the resolution was adopted.

The resolution on population was regularly adopted.

Birth control through sterilization was considered in two resolutions which Dorothy Gridley moved be adopted. Robert Stemme moved the deletion of the second resolution (equal consideration for male and female). Defeated. It was moved to strike the words "equal consideration with" and add the words "greater emphasis than." It was defeated. Both resolutions were then regularly adopted.

Legislative Committee #11—Social Concerns (World Peace)—Brought by Stanley Hanks, who moved concurrence on the first resolution: U.S. policy toward Portugal-Africa in the U.N. The motion was made to delete the resolution. It was moved by James Koerner to amend the resolution by deleting the last two sentences of the paragraph, beginning with "The General Assembly . . .," and replace with the sentence: "We urge that nations apply economic sanctions and diplomatic pressures to achieve this goal." The motion to delete the whole resolution failed. Koerner's motion was adopted, as was the main motion to accept the changed resolution.

The resolution on draft appeal was presented. It was moved to delete the reference to a "stand-by selective service system," which failed. The main motion was adopted.

Extension of Time—A motion to extend the time of the session was defeated.

References—Bruce Buller presented the following resolution to be referred to legislative committee #9: “Resolved, that the Minnesota Annual Conference take all necessary action to urge the Minnesota State Legislature to enact change in public school-aid formula, change in teacher contract negotiations, change in policies which would inhibit adequate facilitating of urban education.” Referred.

Standing Rule—Perry Hultin put before the conference for twenty-four hours notice changes in Standing Rule #III.

Benediction—Bishop Washburn called on Dr. Charles Sweet to give the benediction for adjournment.

Tuesday Evening

The conference met in Boe Chapel at 7:30 P.M. Bishop Washburn introduced Wilbur Grose, member of the Board of Directors of Rust College, and announced Clarence Nicholas as a new member of the Rust College board. Wilbur Grose introduced the director of the choir of Rust College, Mrs. Lassaye Van Buren Holmes, and Charles Holmes, Director of Development of Rust College. The choir then presented its musical program.

Following the choir, Bishop Washburn introduced Dr. Alton Motter, executive director of the Minnesota Council of Churches, who spoke on his ecumenical hopes for the future.

Bishop Washburn then introduced Dr. Robert Huston, executive secretary for the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs. Following his address, the conference adjourned.

Wednesday Morning

The conference was called to order. Carleton Bauer led the worship and President William A. McMillan of Rust College brought the message. The Male Quintet of Rust College sang “It Is No Secret” and “How Great Thou Art.”

Order of the Day—The Board of Ministry chairman, Charles Purdham, introduced Richard Reynolds, registrar, and Marvin Eppard, assistant registrar. It was announced that only ministers in full connection could vote on the matters of the Board of Ministry.

Question 22—Eight were approved as full-time lay pastors; four as part-time lay pastors; and two student lay pastors. Twelve ministers from other denominations were approved for service in the conference.

Question 26—Harvey A. Anderson was admitted as an associate member.

Question 24—Arthur E. Kramer and John H. Simonds, coming from other Christian churches, had their elder’s orders recognized.

Question 25—Arthur E. Kramer and John H. Simonds were admitted from other Christian churches as probationary members.

Question 27—Fourteen men were admitted on probation and elected to deacon’s orders.

Question 28—Eight men were continued on probation as students in theological school; fourteen men were continued on probation as theological graduates.

Question 29—Ronald R. Wells was discontinued as a probationary member.
Question 30—Eight were admitted into full connection and elected to elder’s orders. Bishop Washburn led the conference in the singing of “Joy to the World.”

Question 35—Jerry R. Cole was ordained deacon after election by this conference to accommodate the Ohio Sandusky Conference.

Question 36—Russell Dunlop was readmitted as a member in full connection.

Question 40—Six men had their conference membership terminated by voluntary location; one had his membership terminated by involuntary location.

Question 44—Merlin R. Burgette, Edward S. Martin and LeRoy Roesti were granted disability leave at this session.

Question 47—One lay pastor, Roy N. Wiberg, was retired this year.

Resolution: In compliance with Paragraph 663, section 5 of the Book of Discipline, the Board of Ministry reported that all ministerial members of the conference have been found to be blameless in their life and official administration. Passed. Charles Purdham introduced Duane Lunemann who spoke on the Ministerial Education Fund. It was moved to adopt the report for inclusion in the Journal. Carried.

Transfers—Bishop Washburn read the seven names of those transferring out of the conference and introduced those seven men transferring into this conference. It was moved to include them in the Journal. Passed.

Hamline University Trustees—The following persons were approved as trustees of Hamline University: Class of 1972—Jerald H. Jackson (replaces Wilbur Grose); Class of 1974—Mrs. Dwayne O. Andreas, George A. Butters, Daniel C. Gainey, Ernest E. Lowe, Paul W. Neal, William C. Norris, James C. Otis, Jr., E. W. Rawlings, Hubert D. Wheeler.

Courtes y—Dr. John F. Schafer, Executive Secretary of the World Division of the Board of Missions of The United Methodist Church and Al Hooke, staff member of the General Board of Laity and former director of the Office of Finance in the former Minnesota Methodist Conference were introduced to the conference.

Cokesbury Check—Jack Eldridge of Cokesbury presented the bishop with a check for $15,457.15.

Recess—The conference was in recess.

Capital Facilities—Al Pope moved the adoption of the report of the Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission with one change, the reduction in the recommendations on the ceiling on the amount the commission can borrow, loan or guarantee from $4,200,000 to $3,750,000. It was adopted.

Board of Trustees—Perry Hultin moved that the conference go into corporate session. Carried. Robert Rollin moved that Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4 in the pre-conference reports be adopted and that items from the legislative committee #14 (Conference properties re: capital facilities) to become 5 and 6 be adopted. It was done. He further moved that item 7 (legislative committee #14) calling for deletion of the words “with the approval of the conference” fifth line from the top of page 398 in the 1969 Journal be approved. Adopted. A further recommendation to become item 9 regarding the sale of the LeCenter property of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church was proposed for adoption and it was done. It was moved to accept the full report. Carried.
Order of the Day—Dr. John F. Schaefer addressed the conference. Floyd Bosshardt moved we receive the address with much appreciation and refer its content to the Board of Missions. Toby Horst recommended the message be referred to all local churches. Lyle Christianson suggested that the tape of the address be made available to all local churches. Both suggestions were agreeable to the maker of the motion. The motion with the suggestions were approved.

Harkness Motion—Leonard Harkness, chairman of legislative committee #6, moved that his report on Missions—Metropolitan Areas be made the order of the day at 3:00 P.M. Passed.

Offering—Alex Ramos moved that, in light of the presentation of Dr. Schaefer and the concern of the conference, an offering be taken to send some youth in summer mission outside the United States. Carried. Roger Lynn moved that the administration of the funds raised to send youth into the mission field and the selection of the youth be conducted by the Conference Youth Council. Carried.

Lunch—The conference was adjourned for lunch.

Wednesday Afternoon

Conference Preacher—Bishop Washburn read the names of the men who received ten or more votes. Peter Law moved that E. R. Praetorius, who received the highest number of votes, be elected conference preacher for 1971. It was done.

Standing Rules—Perry Hultin placed before the conference for action on Thursday a change in the Standing Rules regarding Minimum Salary and Mutual Aid whereby the base salary for 1971 is increased from $6,000 to $6,400 (Page 371 of the 1969 Official Journal and Yearbook) and on page 372, (9), delete the entire sentence.

Legislative Committee #9 on Social Concerns-General Welfare—Dorothy Gridley moved the concurrence with the resolution on the public school-aid formula. Passed. Mrs. Gridley moved concurrence with the resolution on the "Baggie Bill." Adopted. She further moved the adoption of the resolution on drug and alcohol concerns. Adopted. Miss Passer, one of the youth members, urged someone to move the adoption of the proposal concerning change of the penalty of possession of marijuana. It was so moved and adopted.

Legislative Committee #10 on Human Relations—Larry Nielsen presented the resolution on the Church and Tax Exemptions. Lyle Christianson moved an amendment that, at the end of the first paragraph, add "We further request that the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota Annual Conference bring an updated estimate of cost at the 1971 session of the annual conference." This was accepted by the committee. Paul Brown moved that since the resolution required action of the Board of Trustees, it be referred to that board for report at the 1971 annual conference session. Lost. The motion was made for development guidelines for the interpretation of the phrase "in lieu of taxes" in the first sentence of the first paragraph. Carried. The complete report of the committee was then adopted.

Youth Members Response—Miss Passer, youth member of conference, asked for some one to move that the Board of Christian Social Concerns take the responsibility to develop methods of stimulating the local church to take conference proposals and resolutions seriously and develop them into action. It was regularly moved, seconded and carried.
Legislative Committee #11 on World Peace—Stanley Hanks presented the committee report:

A. It was moved to adopt the Senate Amendment No. 609. Adopted.
B. The “Carlton” resolution on dialogue was presented. Adopted.
C. The “Macalester” resolution on Indochina was brought for adoption. Dr. Arthur Fleming moved an amendment for the first paragraph, so that it would read as follows:

Resolution: We support the passage of a concurrent resolution by the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate (such as House Concurrent Resolution 613) reaffirming this nation’s support of the United Nation’s peace-keeping and peace-making role and declaring that it is the policy of this nation to take the initiative and to urge that:

A. The United Nations send an international supervisory force to Indochina to effect and maintain a cease-fire.
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D. A United Nations Indochina Relief Agency be enacted to solicit funds and volunteers to aid the area in recovery and development. Adopted.

Dr. Fleming further moved the following in place of the second paragraph:

We commend the action of a group of college and university students from the state of Minnesota identified as the Committee for United Nations Action in Indochina in advocating this course of action and in support of their efforts urge that:

a. every possible effort be made to inform the members of the churches making up this conference of this action and to enlist their support for it;

b. this conference, working through the Minnesota Council of Churches, seek to enlist the support of other denominations in the state;

c. the appropriate officers of the conference, working through the Division of World Peace of the Board of Christian Social Concerns, solicit the support of The United Methodist Church; and

d. the appropriate officers of this conference urge the delegates from The United Methodist Church to the General Board of the National Council of Churches to obtain the support of that body. Adopted.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the entire report of the committee be adopted.

Legislative Committees #18, #19, #20 on Willson Study—Fremont Fletcher moved that we receive the Willson study with appreciation with a special gratitude to Dwight Peterson. Unanimously approved.

It was moved to adopt Recommendation I regarding duties of the district superintendent. Adopted.

Recess—The conference was in recess.

Order of the Day—Leonard Harkness, chairman of the legislative committee #6 on Missions—Metropolitan, present the resolution on Ministry at Calvary Church. It was moved to amend by adding $8,000 support for 1970 and an additional $18,500 for 1971. Peter Law moved a substitute motion that of the conference monies allocated to Calvary ($16,500), $8,250 be allotted for the
salary of the minister to the United Methodist congregation and $8,250 be allotted to the People's Church for program, not salary for the next conference year.

**Extension of Time**—By common consent, the time was extended. Jerry Walker moved to refer this matter to the Commission on World Service and Finance who, with the Program Council, would seek diligently to find funds and report back to conference Thursday morning. Dr. Arthur Fleming moved an amendment to the Walker motion that it is the sense of this body that the commission to which the motion is referred should do everything within its power to report back a program that will result in providing $8,000 for 1970 and $18,500 in 1971. There was a call for a rising vote. The Fleming amendment was lost 263 to 241.

**Adjournment**—Mrs. Wolertz asked the bishop's permission to dismiss the conference with prayer. It was granted and the conference was adjourned.

**Wednesday Evening**

**Ordination**—The conference joined together in Boe Chapel for the service of ordination. The Minnesota United Methodist Ministers Chorus, directed by Rev. Harold Bierderman, sang the anthem, Handel's “Hallelujah, Amen.” Bishop Washburn preached the ordination sermon, “The Irreducible Essence of Ordination.” Fourteen men were ordained deacon and four men and one woman were ordained elder, following which there was a reception for the ordinands.

**Thursday Morning**

**Greetings**—LeRoy Klaus moved that the greetings and salutations of this conference be sent to Miss Natale Doxey, Director Emeritus of Music, Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi. Passed.

**Limit of Debate**—Ralph Klinkerfues moved that debate be limited to two minutes with pro and con opinions alternated. Passed.

**Communion**—Upton Dahle moved that the Communion service be held at 1:00 P.M. Norma Larson moved a substitute motion that it be conducted at the close of the conference, that we might go home in peace and unity. The substitute was adopted.

**Legislative Committee on Management Study (Willson Associates) #18, 19, 20**—The following recommendations were presented by Fremont Fletcher.


Page 50: Recommendation II.

A. Eleven legislative economic regions for planning. Concurrence. Passed.

B. Eleven regions as one of basic criteria for district structure. Recommend no judgment on final district structure. Recommend that Committee on Policy, Structure and Strategy determine number of districts and report to 1971 Annual Conference. Passed.

C. Cabinet policy commitment to initiate assessment of “parish” concept throughout Minnesota Conference. Concurrence. Passed.

Page 53: Recommendation III. Recommend adoption of Recommendation III, 1, with the word “authorized” substituted for the word “adopted”,
and ask the conference to refer Recommendation III, 2, for further study to the Superintendents Counseling Committee and to the Section on Parish Development of the Conference Board of Missions. Passed.


Page 55: Recommendation V. Re-ordering of priorities of A, 1, 2, 3, 4 (deferred 4a, 4b, 4c and 4d, pending final determination of conference staff arrangements) and 5, and suggest that the recommended sequence be followed. Passed.

B. Program Council name changed to Conference Council on Ministries. Concurrence. B, 1, 2, 3 (with exception that “would” in first sentence be changed to “may”) and 4. Concurrence. Passed.

C. Provided for in the Discipline.

D. Recommend with amendment to provide introductory statement: “We recommend interpretation of the following statement consistent with the above.” Passed.

Page 58ff: Recommendations VI and VII. Reorganization of conference professional staff. Agree with goal and direction and recommend their reference to Conference Council on Ministries for study and possible implementation. Jerald Jackson moved amendment that the conference staff relationships to specific boards and agencies be maintained until the annual conference rules otherwise. Passed. Main motion on VI and VII passed.

Page 59: Study for redefinition of duties and responsibilities of each conference board, commission and committee. Concurrence. Perry Hultin moved an amendment to include the Trustees in the study. Passed.

Page 59: Recommend study of duties and responsibilities of each commission and committee. Ken Beck moved the amendment that the study be deferred for one year in order to assimilate and implement the present report. Passed 288 for; 190 against. Fremont Fletcher moved the amendment that the staff, Cabinet, boards and agencies implement the approved segments of the study. Passed.

Corporate Session—Bishop Washburn called the conference into corporate session.

Conference Pensions, Inc.—Clifford Wittstruck, executive secretary, gave the report. Carl Mahle read the motions concerning the minutes, nominations and appreciation which were passed. (These minutes may be found in the Pension report.) The corporate session was adjourned.

Recess—The conference was in recess for a few minutes.

Introductions—Fred Smith introduced to the conference the members of the Vocational Involvement Program.

Legislative Committee #21 on Communications—William Kvale presented the report. Recommended publication of “Happenings” for 1971 at estimated cost of $25,450 with 1971 budget adjusted accordingly. James Minehart moved for the purpose of clarifying the discussion the deletion of the $25,450 from the budget. It was passed. David Wilcox moved to substitute the words “to be paid for by subscription” for the words “and that the 1971 budget be revised accordingly.” Passed. Bob Bailey moved to amend the motion: “Inasmuch as T.A.N.E. is no
longer available to The Conference without charge beginning January 1, 1971, we recommend the publication of a Conference news sheet to be included in the conference mailing.” Passed. The main motion was then passed. William Kvale moved a substitute motion for the second recommendation of the Legislative Committee #21: “The Conference expresses its concern and regret that a time when a new enthusiasm for the local parish ministry is surfacing, a general board of the church should, on its own authority, curtail its services to that same local ministry.” It was passed, as was the main motion. The other motions of the committee were adopted.

Legislative Committee #13 on Budget and Apportionments—It was moved that the conference develop adequate visual aids for telling the story of the Christian Service Fund in Minnesota (film or filmstrip). It was approved.

World Service and Finance—Willis Kerns presented the Christian Service Fund formula.

Joint Committee on Calvary Church (World Service and Finance and Program Council)—The report was made that there was no change in the 1971 budget. Out of the 1970 budget $6,000 could be gotten from the Commission on Minimum Salary, $4,000 unused funds of the Committee on Conference Sessions and a special gift of $8,000 designated for Calvary Church, totalling $18,000. Kathleen Haming made a recommendation on behalf of the Program Council on the handling of the funds, but no action was taken. Peter Law withdrew with the approval of the seconder his motion of Wednesday afternoon, which called for $8,000 in 1970 and $18,500 for 1971 for Calvary Church.

Legislative Committee # 6 (Calvary Church)—Discussion continued about the minority report of this committee. Burton Passer called for the personal privilege of allowing Mrs. Louise Hoistad to address the conference to suggest a substitute motion for the Legislative Committee's recommendation on funding for Calvary Church. Granted. Her recommendation, moved by Paul Metzger, was “that, in view of the report from World Service and Finance and the Program Council, that these monies be allocated to fund the Calvary Church program for the conference year 1970-1971.” Jerry Walker called for the previous question (Legislative Committee's recommendation). Defeated. Question was then called for the Hoistad substitute motion which passed. Bruce Buller moved that the People's Church pay their full Christian Service Fund apportionment. Approved. Willis Kern recommended $600 as a likely figure. Mr. Wynn, lay member of Calvary Church, expressed appreciation to the conference for their trust and faith. The rest of the report of Legislative Committee # 6 was passed with approval.

Legislative Committee # 7 (Missions—Smaller Communities)—Parish and Community Development. All items were adopted with amendments to # 7 and # 10. #7 to read as follows: “Open opportunities in smaller communities for meetings which will address themselves to Afro-American, American Indian and poverty culture study and discussion.” # 10: “Study and develop a pattern for writing churches ecumenically across denominational lines including the holding of property jointly under one corporation, leadership personnel, lines of authority and the joint use of property.”

Legislative Committee # 8 (Missions—World)—Minute Review. Motion as follows:

“Whereas the minutes of the Education and Cultivation Section of the Board of Missions have been received for information and review, and whereas they show the activities of the year and future plans,
Therefore, be it resolved that they become a part of the permanent record of the Board and be implemented with budgetary limitations.” Adopted. Advance Special Guidelines motion as follows: “Be it resolved that the following definition of Advance Special giving be the guideline for Minnesota:

Advance Special giving is a term applied to missional giving and classified into extra General Advance Giving or Conference Advance Giving. Other benevolent giving should be entitled differently.

A General Advance Special is over and above giving for projects, personnel and program in the World, National or Overseas Relief division or department of the Board of Missions of The United Methodist Church. (¶ 873)

A Conference Advance Special is giving beyond existing allocations for missional program, projects and personnel of the Annual Conference Board of Missions and set apart for support by action of the Education and Cultivation Section of that Board. (¶ 874).

In its publicity and promotion of Advance Specials, the Board of Missions will accept for listing those projects which are administered by another Board, Agency or District of the Minnesota Annual Conference and formally voted by them as worthy of benevolent support.

The deadline date for such listing shall be set by the Education and Cultivation Section of the Board of Missions and its promotional responsibility limited to such a listing.

Joe Grostephan moved that Christian Medical College and Brown Memorial Hospital of Ludhiana, India be included in the Advance Special projects (passed); Lyle Christianson moved the inclusion of Camphor United Methodist Church (passed) so that the approved Advance Special list is as follows:

Advance Special Projects—Administered by World, National, or UMCOR:

World
1. Wonju Christian Hospital (Korea)
2. Constantine Hostel (Algeria)
3. Mrewa Library (Rhodesia)
4. Lodhipur Institute (India)
5. Wesleyan Theological Seminary (Philippines)
6. Christian Medical College & Brown Memorial Hospital (Ludhiana, India)

National
1. Rust College
2. Alaska Methodist University
3. Emma Norton Residence (St. Paul)
4. Red Bird Mission (Kentucky)

Overseas Relief
1. Emergency response in relief, rehabilitation, resettlement

Advance Special Projects—Administered by Conference Board of Missions
1. Mobile Ministry
2. Indian Work
3. New Churches in Development
4. Urban Ministries Projects—St. Paul Urban Parish, Minneapolis
   Inner City Parish, Calvary Church (Minneapolis)
5. Camphor United Methodist Church—St. Paul
Recommend for Advance Special Listing by Conference Boards, Agencies or Districts

1. Wesley Foundations  — Relationship — Bd. of Education
2. Hamline University  — Relationship — Bd. of Education
3. Vocational Involvement Program  — Relationship — Enlistment
4. District Managed Camp Sites — Relationship — Bd. of Education
5. Conference Managed Camp Sites  — Relationship — Bd. of Education
6. Hospitals and Homes — Relationship — Health & Welfare
7. District Projects — Relationship — District Units

Regarding missionary personnel support, a motion was made and approved that “a record of missionary personnel support be published through the conference mailing. This record is to indicate supporting churches and the home church of the missionary.”

Earthquake in Peru: Background: Excerpt from an S.O.S. letter from Dwight S. Busacca of the Board of Missions—“Peru has had a critical earthquake! There are thousands dead, many more thousands critically injured, and vast areas where there is total loss of property. UMCOR has released $10,000 immediately! More funds will be needed! These funds will be used to deliver tents, blankets, vaccine, food, etc. It is great to be part of a team that has Christian concern and the denominational machinery to implement that concern. Thank you for your help!” Motion: recommend that an offering be received at this Annual Conference session for the emergency caused by the earthquake in Peru. It is further resolved that the delegates publicize this and request an offering in their local church. These funds are to be sent through the Conference Treasurer marked: UMCOR, Peru Earthquake. Passed.

Missions report, B.1. page 29 of pre-conference reports amended by motion to read: “Keep before our people the needs of all nations who, in their struggle for self-determination, need and request a broad Christian ministry to aid them.” Adopted.

B.2. of page 30 amended by motion to add the following: “Because of our Western spiritual upheaval we recommend that the nature of our world missionary effort be that of dialogue with other cultures, ideologies and religions in the hope that we will learn as much as we offer. This would not be to the depreciation of the Gospel but that our understanding of God’s Word might be deepened and we all might move toward world community...” Approved.

Announcement—Those not going to communion were informed they could give an offering at the door as they left the conference floor.

Legislative Committee #12 (Stewardship Education)—Kermit Wolf presented the recommendations after studying the pre-conference report on pages 28-29. He moved the adoption of the goals on page 28 (#1 through 6). Adopted. He moved the amending of #7 to read: “In all programs, encourage continued flexibility and adapt details to age levels, type of community, size of church and council on ministries approach to mission.” The amendment was approved. He moved the amending of #8 to read: “Continue consulting service by conference stewardship and others to provide assistance at the request of local churches in such areas as the Every Member Visitation program, special gifts and bequests and volunteer service.” Passed. He then moved that the following recommendation be referred to the Committee on Communication: “As a matter of stewardship of communication, we recommend that the conference mailing be sent out quarterly and that these mailings be discussed at a Council on Ministries meeting. Adopted.
Thus the entire report was approved. John Espie then gave an evaluation of the dollar resources of our conference as follows:

$12,175,396.00  Reported expenditure—450 churches in 1969
  8.4%  Increase compared to previous year
139,074  No. of members, 450 churches, end of 1969
   1%  Decrease
$87.50  Per capita spent in 1969
  9.4%  Increase per capita
$9,599.00  Estimated Effective Buying Income for a Minnesota family of 4 in 1968 (E.E.B.I.—Sales Management magazine)
$10,100.00  Estimated Effective Buying Income for 1969 (projected)
60,000  No. of families estimated in United Methodist Church in Minnesota
$606,000,000.00  Total Estimated Effective Buying Income for United Methodist families
  2%  Expended through our 450 churches.
  58%  Increase 1959-1968 (EEBI)
  5.8%  Average increase per year.

Courtesies—The conference secretarial staff, Mae Olson, Alice Greer, Laurel Toy and Julia Dahl (Bishop Washburn’s secretary) was presented to the conference by Wilbur Grose.

Christian Service Fund Computation Method—Ed Foote moved reconsideration of the method for computing the Christian Service Fund to bring it into harmony with the Discipline. Carried.

Nominations—B. C. Siewert presented the report of the Committee on Nominations’ corrections and moved the adoption of the report without full reading. Adopted.

Resolution—Charles Purdham presented the following resolution for approval:

"Whereas the General Conference has asked the annual conferences and local churches for substantially increased funds for the twelve colleges that historically have served black persons, and

Whereas there has been a history of cooperative relationships and active good will between Rust College and the Minnesota Annual Conference, and

Whereas adequate responses do not come merely as a result of good intentions,

Be it therefore resolved that this session of the Minnesota Annual Conference requests the bishop and cabinet to name a committee of laymen and ministers to design and lead a program with the objective of significant increases in race relations contributions.” Approved.

Fund for Reconciliation—Kathleen Haining provided information for the conference on the Fund for Reconciliation.

Archives and History—The report of the Commission on Archives and History was made to the conference by Roy Heitke who moved its adoption. Passed.

World Service and Finance—Willis Kerns moved the adoption of the 1971 budget which had been distributed. Approved. He also moved that item B. #5.
the report of the Committee on Standing Rules (which had been deleted from their report) be included as a part of the report of World Service and Finance and to read as follows: "For the year 1971 the following shall be authorized to appeal for funds: Good Will Industries; Southwest Minnesota State College Area for Campus Religious Center Building; the Vocational Internship Program; the Southwest Methodist Concern Fund; the Lakeview Methodist Home, Fairmont; the Paul Watkins Memorial Methodist Home, Winona; the Wesley Foundations; Kingswood Camp; Northern Pines Camp; and the Hamline Development Fund. Passed. The entire report was approved.

Appreciation—Ed Foote made a motion of appreciation to Bishop Washburn for his Christian love, brotherliness and leadership. Approved.

Greetings—Greetings from the Central Illinois Conference were received.

St. Olaf College—The motion was made to express our appreciation to St. Olaf College for hosting the conference. Passed.

Statement From Youth Delegation—A statement from the youth delegation was read for approval and adopted as follows:

Many very important issues have come before this Annual Conference. The youth delegation has attempted as strongly as possible to express some of the views of youth. We hope now that the issues debated and resolved here will be expounded on and carried home by youth delegates, lay delegates, ministers and everyone who has attended this conference. We hope that the congregations of every church in Minnesota will accept and implement these actions. These actions have shown that the church will not be static but will always attempt to minister more fully to the world.

The Youth Delegation would like to give special thanks to Reverend Roger Lynn and Mrs. Curtis Paulsen for their guidance and inspiration. Also many thanks are extended to Bishop Washburn for his great understanding.

Gratitude—The motion was made and approved to extend gratitude to Ken Beck and the Committee on Conference Sessions for their work.

Minutes—Approval was given to a motion that the minutes be printed in the Journal as corrected by the Committee on the Journal.

Adjournment—Norma Larson moved that the conference be adjourned following the service of Communion. It was adopted and the conference was led in prayer by Bishop Washburn.

Miss Foster reported the totals for the offerings taken at conference: Rust College, $1,407; Youth in summer mission, $1,023; Ministerial Education Fund, $458. The motion was regularly made, seconded and carried to adopt the treasurer's complete report.

Standing Rules—Willis Kerns moved the adoption the Standing Rules changes as presented. An amendment was moved to delete B.5 from the World Service and Finance Commission recommendation and place it in their report. The amendment and original motion carried by a required three-fourths majority.

Legislative Committee #1—Ecumenical Affairs—The Program Council's (Conference Council on Ministries) recommendations on page 4 of the 1970 pre-conference reports were considered: 1. Interim appointments/nominations for program agencies were approved. 2. Tenure of ministerial staff employed by Conference Council on Ministries identical to district superintendents, not retroactive, approved 275 to 215.
Courtesies—Eugene Meyers on behalf of the Conference Board of Health and Welfare Ministries introduced to the conference Miss Janet Paulson from the School of Nursing of the Methodist Hospital of Minneapolis; Mrs. Louise Olson, volunteer from the Methodist Hospital of Minneapolis; Mrs. Gladys Blomfield, Miss L. Courtier and Mrs. Elma Campbell, all residents of the Walker Residence; Miss Mabel Eide of the staff of the Walker Residence; Rev. Gordon Patterson, Administrator of the Lakeview United Methodist Home, Fairmont, Minnesota; Rev. Harris Halstead, Administrator of Brookside Manor, Montevideo, Minnesota.

Lunch—The conference was adjourned for lunch.

Thursday afternoon

The conference was reconvened with Dr. Paul Hayes leading the conference in prayer.

Courtesies—Dr. Hayden Stright, former Executive Secretary of the Minnesota Council of Churches, was presented to the conference. Rev. R. B. Desai, president of Gujarat United Theological Seminary of Ahmedabad, India, was introduced.

Standing Rules—It was moved to change the base salary figure of $6,000, 1969 Journal, page 371, C.2.b(1), to $6,400 and delete (9) on p. 372. Approved.

Legislative Committee #1—Ecumenical Affairs—#3, representative from Commission on Archives and History be granted voting membership to Conference Council on Ministries, defeated. #4, membership of Committee on Policy, Structure and Strategy, approved. #5, proposed Constitution for United Ministries in Higher Education, approved. #1 (p. 23 of pre-conference reports), distribution of ecumenical information, approved. #2, p. 23, study of COCU, approved with this amendment:

"On recommendation of Bishop Washburn who is a member of the "COCU" Council, we recommend that every local church enter into serious study of the COCU "Plan of Union" beginning in the fall of 1970. The Commission also advises that this study be done in the local church before entering into studies or discussion with other churches or denominations." #3, p. 23, Ecumenical Affairs Commission as instrument of communication, approved. #4, p. 23, compliance with Discipline, ruled out of order. #5, p. 23, approved with three directives added (see report). #6, p. 23, help other commissions keep ecumenically aware, approved. #7, non-concurrence, approved by conference.

Legislative Committee #2—Camping—The motion that we urge the Conference Council on Camping be encouraged to continue their efforts in producing a descriptive brochure and an audiovisual piece depicting camping styles available to United Methodists of Minnesota, and that this material should be made available to ALL districts was approved.

Legislative Committee #3—Higher Education—#2, resolution for adoption of Constitution of the Minnesota Commission for United Campus Ministries and channeling of budget allocations for Wesley Foundation and UMHE through the new state commission. Approved. #3, resolution for support of Hamline University. Approved. #4, resolution for support for Rust College. Approved.

Legislative Committee #4—Local Church—Recommended concurrence with items on children's work, family life and adult work. Approved. Youth ministry: Concurrence with following amendments at the end: "That the conference direct the section of the local church of the Board of Education and the
Council of Youth Ministries explore ways of changing the composition of the Council on Youth Ministries that it might more adequately represent the district interests. The committee requests that all of the education services available be listed and distributed to the Council on Ministries of the local churches." Approved. Concurrence on motion that each district seriously consider having district youth rallies. Approved. Concurrence on motion that the Conference Council on Youth Ministries find or publish a song book for youth with orientation sessions. Amended and approved by conference to have the Council on Youth Ministries publish a bibliography of songs for youth.

Certification—It was moved that the name of Elsie Naylor be added to the list of those certified as a Director of Education. Approved.


Legislative Committee #16—Worship—Recommended concurrence with proposed Convocation on Worship with amendment by addition, "that this convocation be a part of a continuing schedule of workshops emphasizing the purpose, elements and techniques of worship." Approved. Concurrence on motion supported shared worship experiences with "COCU" churches. Approved.

Legislative Committee #17—Ministry—#1, Emergency Aid Fund For Ministerial Students. Richard Reynolds moved this be referred to the Board of Ministry. Carried. #2, Enlistment and Church Occupations, Concurrence. Passed. Program Council item 6, amend to read "will in part be funded" and remove the word "emergency" in both places. Approved. #3, Program Council item 7, concurrence with 7 and 7.a. and refer 7.b. and 7.c. to Trustees for study. Passed.

Program Council—1971 Annual Conference program, p. 10 of pre-conference reports, approved. Item 10 on mimeographed sheet named Conference Program Staff: Program Director, Charles B. Purdham; Associate Program Director, Floyd E. Bosshardt; Director of Nurture, Donald L. Germain; Director of Stewardship, John C. Espie; Director of Communication, Grace E. Carlock. Approved.

ROLL CALL, JUNE 8, 1970, MINISTERS

EFFECTIVE:


PROBATIONERS:

SUPPLY:
Engelbretson, A.K.; Collman, R.F.; Sterling, D.M.

RETIRED:

DEACONESS:
Aegerter, V.L.

JUNE 9, 1970

EFFECTIVE:

PROBATIONER:
Rowen, W.A.

SUPPLY:
Nagel, C.J.

RETIRED:
Dittes, O.C.; Hayes, P.G.; Roesti, L.P.; Schendel, E.M.; Schmitt, A.S.

JUNE 10, 1970

EFFECTIVE:
Engstrom, P.H.; Wittstruck, T.K.

PROBATIONER:
Soderfelt, A.N.

RETIRED:
Wiberg, R.N.

JUNE 11, 1970

EFFECTIVE:
Plummer, W.B.; Wilcoxon, C.D.

EXCUSES:
IV. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
THE BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Minutes of the Minnesota Annual Conference held in Skoglund Athletic Center at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota, from Monday, June 8, 1970, through Thursday, June 11, 1970, Bishop Paul A. Washburn, presiding. Date when organized 1856. Number of this session: 116.

PART I. ORGANIZATION AND GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Who are elected for the quadrennium: (¶ 661.6, 909)
   Secretary? Gerald W. Young, 832 Park Lane—South St. Paul, Minnesota 55075.
   Statistician? Harold A. Clark, 121 N. McPhail Ave.—Caledonia, Minnesota 55921.
   Treasurer? Betty Jean Foster, 122 W. Franklin Ave—Minneapolis, Minnesota 55404.

2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? (¶ 661.1) Yes.

3. Bonding and auditing:
   a) What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded, and in what amounts? (¶ 913, 1508) See Standing Rule III-A-5.
   b) Have the books of said officers or persons been audited? (¶ 909, 913, 1508) Yes.

4. Have the conference boards, commissions, and committees been appointed or elected?
   a) Annual Conference Program Council? Yes.
   b) Board of Christian Social Concerns? Yes.
   c) Board of Education? Yes.
   d) Board of Evangelism? Yes.
   e) Board of Health and Welfare Ministries? Yes.
   f) Board of the Laity? Yes.
   g) Board of the Ministry? Yes.
   h) Board of Missions? Yes.
   i) Board of Pensions? Yes.
   j) Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference? Yes.
   k) Commission on Archives and History? Yes.
   l) Commission on Enlistment for Church Occupations? Yes.
   m) Commission on Minimum Salaries? Yes.
   n) Commission on World Service and Finance? Yes.
   o) Committee of Investigation? Yes.
   p) Committee on Publishing Interests? Yes.
   q) Conference Women’s Society of Christian Service? Yes.
   r) District Boards of Church Location and Building? Yes.
   s) District Committee on the Ministry? Yes.

5. Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept their respective records upon and according to the forms prescribed by The United Methodist Church? (¶ 664.6) Yes.
6. What is the report of the statistician? (See report)
7. What is the report of the treasurer? (See report)
8. What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts? (See report)
10. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charger within the conference to be raised for the support of the district superintendents for the ensuing year? (¶ 908) $178,800.
11. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of the pension and benefit programs of the conference? (¶ 1380.4, 6) $573,600.
12. What are the apportionments to this conference:
   b) For the Episcopal Fund? $39,000.
   c) For the General Administration Fund? $21,037.
   d) For the Interdenominational Co-operation Fund? $10,890.
   e) For the Temporary General Aid Fund? $15,423.
   f) For the National Ministerial Education Fund? $116,624—suggested goal.
   g) For the maintenance of our institutions of higher learning? $21,180.
13. What is the percentage division between world service and conference benevolences for the current year: (¶ 902)
   World Service? 39.9%.
   Conference benevolences? 60.1%.
14. What are the reports, recommendations and plans of the conference agencies:
   a) What is the report of the Board of Pensions? (¶ 1380) See Report.
   b) What is the report of the Board of Mission of disbursements of missionary aid within the conference? (¶ 1366) See report.
   c) What is the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance? (¶ 898, 918) See report.
   d) What is the report of the Commission on Enlistment for Church Occupations? (¶ 666) See report.
   e) What are the other reports? See Section VI.
15. What United Methodist institutions or organizations are approved by the conference for pension responsibility? (¶ 1379.4g) None.
16. What date is determined for Golden Cross Enrollment Sunday? (¶ 1178) October 25 or at Christmas.
17. Conference lay leader (¶ 1250):
   a) Name. Wally Green, 4627 Chateiain Terrace, Minneapolis, Mn. 55422.
   b) What is his report? See report of Board of the Laity.
   c) Who are district and associate district lay leaders? (¶ 1264) See Section II.
18. What local churches have been:
   b) Merged (¶ 1547-48):
1) United Methodist with United Methodist

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2) Other Mergers

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c) Discontinued or abandoned? (¶ 130, 351.2, 1550): Greenwood, Holly, Union Grove.

d) Relocated and to what address? Arlington Hills United Methodist Church—759 East County Road B—St. Paul, Minnesota 55104.

e) Changed name of church?

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f) Transferred into this conference from other United Methodist conference(s) and with what membership? (¶ 688)

2) Previously this quadrennium

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g) What other changes have taken place in the list of churches? See report of conference statistician and list of appointments.

19. What changes have been made in district and charge lines? See Plan and Basis of Union, 1969 Journal, Section II-B.

PART II. PERTAINING TO MINISTERIAL RELATIONS

20. Are all the ministerial members of the conference blameless in their life and official administration? Yes.

21. Who constitute the Conference Committee on Investigation? (¶ 1740.1) Calvin Peterson, Clayton Burgess, Ernest Lowe, Herbert Frank; Alternates: Dwight Haberman, Frank DeCOURCY, Omer Leske, Marvin Eppard, Paul Ingelin.

22. Who are eligible to be appointed as:

a) Full-time lay pastors? (¶ 348.1) and what progress has each made in the course of study? George E. Beck, first year; J. Ronald Galer, complete, elder; Leo C. Hagmann, complete, elder; James E. Jameson, introductory studies; Gordon D. Johnson, complete; Gordon H. Langmade, third year, deacon; Wesley E. Pope, complete, elder; John W. White, complete, elder.

b) Part-time lay pastors? (¶ 348.2) and what progress has each made in the course of study? James M. Alexander, complete, elder; Myles K. Giese, second year; Charles D. McClintic, introductory studies; Richard R. Reahard.

c) Student lay pastors? (¶ 348.3) and in what schools are they enrolled? Gerrit Molenaar, Austin Junior College; Lewis Miller.
23. What lay pastors are granted pension credit on account of approved full-time service during the past year? (¶ 1379.3b) Harvey Anderson, George Beck, Russell Dunlop, J. Ronald Galen, Leo Hagmann, Gordon Johnson, Gordon Langmode, Wesley Pope, John White, Warren White.

24. What preachers, coming from other Christian churches, have had their orders recognized?

   a) As deacons? None.
   b) As elders? Arthur E. Kramer, ULCA; John H. Simonds, LCA.

25. Who have been admitted from other Christian churches? (¶ 375-375.3)


26. Who have been admitted as Associate Members? (¶ 323) Harvey A. Anderson.

27. Who are admitted as Probationary Members and what progress have they made in their ministerial studies? (¶ 329)

   a) As students in approved schools of theology? Charles W. Ankeny, 4th year; Otis P. Borop, Jr.; Walter D. Flewsner, 2nd year; Thomas A. Gotschall, 2nd year; Randall M. Harvey, 2nd year; Ramon A. Olson, 2nd; Arthur Standring, 3rd year; Lynn Pries, 3rd year.

29. Who are discontinued as Probationary Members? Ronald R. Wells.

30. Who are admitted into full connection? (¶ 333) Frederick D. Atkinson, Calvin G. Daniels, Lloyd J. Daniels, Robert L. Gamble, James E. Roe, Steven F. Schomberg, M. Elizabeth Suiter, Thomas R. Wright.

31. Who have been elected deacons? (¶ 312)

   b) Theological students? (¶ 312.2) David E. Dutcher, David R. Ecker, James P. Harris, Ronald L. Nicholas, Douglas Pederson, Reginald Penner, Gregrey Renstrom, Gene F. Rick, Duane Sarazin, Jack D. Smith, Alcyd N. Soderfelt, Hugh Stephenson, H. Grant Tanner, Wilson Yates.

32. Who have been ordained deacons? (¶ 314) David E. Dutcher, David R. Ecker, James P. Harris, Ronald L. Nicholas, Douglas Pederson, Reginald Penner, Gregrey Renstrom, Gene F. Rick, Duane Sarazin, Jack D. Smith, Alcyd N. Soderfelt, Hugh Stephenson, H. Grant Tanner, Wilson Yates.
33. Who have been elected elders: (§ 314)  
   a) Theological graduates? (§ 314.1) Frederick D. Atkinson, Calvin G. Daniels, Lloyd J. Daniels, Robert L. Gamble, James E. Roe, Steven F. Schomberg, M. Elizabeth Suiter, Thomas R. Wright.

34. Who have been ordained elders? Lloyd J. Daniels, James E. Roe, Steven F. Schomberg, M. Elizabeth Suiter, Thomas R. Wright.

35. Who have been admitted or ordained to accommodate other conferences:  
   b) Ordained after election by this conference:  

36. Who are readmitted? (§ 367)  
   b) As Members in Full Connection? Russell Dunlop.

38. Who have been received by transfer?  
   Edwin Bittenbender—Lucknow—June 10, 1970  
   William Cox—Missouri West—April 1, 1970  
   Wallace Henk—Congo—September 1, 1969  
   Donovan E. Hull—Kansas East—June 8, 1970  
   Milton R. Lentz—South Iowa—January 1, 1970  
   Justus E. Olson—East Wisconsin—October 1, 1969  
   Steven F. Schomberg—Iowa—May 15, 1970

39. Who have been transferred out?  
   David R. Anderson—Pacific Northwest—June 1, 1970  
   Charles W. Emery—Northern Illinois—June 7, 1970  
   Orvel I. Lundberg—West Michigan—June 1, 1969  
   Elvin Miller—North Indiana—July 15, 1969  
   Ivan H. Nothdurft—New York—April 1, 1970  
   Douglas I. Norris—California-Nevada—September 1, 1969  
   Donald W. Sneller—New York—July 1, 1969

40. Who have had their conference membership terminated:  
   a) By voluntary location? (§ 366) Robert Bedford, William Gausman, Taylor Hare, Philip F. Morgan, Eugene Tate, David Wilcox.  
   b) By involuntary location? (§ 368) Dwight Jarvis.

41. Deceased  
   c) What Members in Full Connection have died during the year?

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<td>George E. Martin</td>
<td>July 21, 1885</td>
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<td>November 18, 1883</td>
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<td>Thomas A. Stafford</td>
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<td>Floyd A. Kufus</td>
<td>September 2, 1891</td>
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<td>Clinton H. S. Koch</td>
<td>June 10, 1891</td>
<td>August 3, 1968</td>
<td>1908</td>
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<td>John W. Rossiter</td>
<td>December 2, 1888</td>
<td>March 23, 1970</td>
<td>1930</td>
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<td>William J. Barr</td>
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<td>May 9, 1970</td>
<td>1915</td>
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42. Who are the supernumerary ministers and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? (¶ 358) Charles H. Hawn (7), E. A. Schoppert (14).


44. What actions have been taken concerning disabled ministers and lay pastors?
   c) Who are granted disability leave at this session? (If Probationary Member or Associate Member, so indicate.) Merlin R. Burgette, Edward S. Martin, LeRoy Roesti.

45. What members in Full Connection have been retired?

47. What lay pastors have been retired:

48. Who are appointed to attend school? (¶ 352.7)
   b) Probationary Member? Robert Almquist, Lexington; David Dutcher, Wesley; David R. Ecker, UTS Minn.; Walter Flesner, St. Paul; James P. Harris, Northwestern Univ.; Randall Harvey, St Paul; Ramon Olson, St Paul; Lynn L. Pries, ETS; Douglas Pederson, Garrett; Gregery Renstrom, St. Andrew's, Scotland; Gene F. Rick, ETS; Duane V. Sarazin, ETS; Jack D. Smith, St Paul; Hugh Stephenson, UTS Minn.; H. Grant Tanner, St Paul.
   c) Members in Full Connection? Monroe Bell, Washington Univ.; Duane G. Grage, Univ. of Chicago; Loren J. Grage, Southern Methodist University; Robert D. Kendall, Univ. of Minn.; Russell L. Kleinbach, Boston; Howard Mueller, Garrett; Robert Pfalz, Univ. of South Dakota; Thorne Wittstruck, Yale.

49. What is the number of:
   Pastoral charges? 319; Readmitted? 1; Lay Pastors? 27; Discontinued? 1;
Received as Associate Members? 1; Withdrawn? 0; Received as Probationary Members? 16; Expelled? 0; Received into Full Connection? 8; Located? 7; Transferred In? 7; Deceased? 8; Transferred Out? 7; Retired made effective? 0; Received from other evangelical churches? 2.

50. What is the number of ministers?

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<td>Total Number Ministers</td>
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Grand Total All Ministers 520

PART III. CONCLUDING BUSINESS

52. Where shall the next Conference Session be held? Referred the Cabinet and Conference Sessions Committee.

53. What changes have been made in appointments since last Annual Conference Session? See Statistician's Report.

54. Where are the preachers stationed for the ensuing year? See list of appointments, Section V.
CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION

This is to certify that at 8:00 p.m. on the ninth day of June, 1970, at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota, I ordained

David D. Dutcher, David R. Ecker, James P. Harris, Ronald L. Nicholas, Douglas Pederson, Reginald Penner, Gregrey Renstrom, Gene F. Rick, Duane Sarazin, Jack D. Smith, Aleyd N. Soderfelt, Hugh Stephenson, H. Grant Tanner, Wilson Yates

Deacons in The United Methodist Church.

At the same time and place, assisted by the district superintendents and other elders, I ordained

Lloyd J. Daniels, James E. Roe, Steven F. Schomberg, M. Elizabeth Suiter, Thomas R. Wright

Elders in The United Methodist Church.

Paul A. Washburn, Bishop
Minnesota Area
The United Methodist Church

57
V CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

PASTORS EMERITUS

Every minister holding the retired relation in the conference is esteemed for age or long service, or in disability, and by the charges he has served is revered and supported as a pastor emeritus. (Figures after name indicate year retired.)

Adelmann, L. M. .... '60
Anderson, Alfred ... '54
Asp, Obel .......... '64
Bailey, G. E. ....... '58
Barr, W. J. .......... '56
Baumhofer, E. F. ... '56
Beckendorf, A. L. ... '50
Bell, G. R. .......... '62
Brann, M. L. ....... '52
Brand, O. W. ....... '70
Brown, P. R. ....... '66
Buller, W. H. ....... '66
Bushendorf, S. E. ... '59
Butters, G. A. ...... '69
Cooney, E. B. ...... '58
Cooper, L. R. ...... '66
Dahle, U. E. ....... '59
Dittes, O. C. ...... '66
Dorn, R. E. ....... '60
Douglas, R. G. ...... '67
Dowler, J. E. ...... '61
Dripps, A. E. ...... '64
Duel, R. W. ...... '49
Eckhoff, G. A. ..... '57
Fleagle, W. A. ..... '53
Folmers, P. E. ..... '68
Frank, C. B. ...... '54
Frank, H. S. ...... '59
Friedman, Henry ... '67
Gilchrist, F. C. ... '18
Gresham, John ... '68
Groenig, E. D. ..... '56
Grose, Wilbur D. .... '70
Harkness, A. R. ... '57
Hayes, P. G. ...... '61
Hedike, F. W. ..... '50
Henry, H. D. ...... '48
Hiller, Harley ...... '70
Hilton, V. E. ....... '69
Jackson, O. D. ..... '61
Johnson, Lorenzo ... '57
Kaslow, G. W. ..... '55
Klaus, L. H. ...... '69
Knol, Herman ...... '68
Kottke, I. E. ...... '67
LaGrone, C. M. .... '66
Lambert, Blaine ... '53
Leach, J. A. ...... '59
Lewis, Henry H. ... '70
Lewis, John G. ... '70
Lillico, J. W. ...... '51
Lindem, Carl H. ... '70
Link, A. J. ...... '56
Liu, I. Hsin ...... '70
McGladrey, Long, Axel '70
McGuire, D. S. ... '60
Mercer, R. H. ... '60
Miller, R. E. ...... '62
Monson, O. S. ...... '67
Moore, C. W. ...... '67
Morgan, G. R. ...... '67
Morris, C. L. ...... '60
Mueller, H. E. ..... '60
Nanninga, J. J. ... '65
Nielsen, Immanuel ... '65
Northern, M. P. ... '68
Nygaard, A. R. ..... '66
Nymark, J. A. ... '58
Olafsson, S. S. ... '63
Paine, Charles F. ... '70
Parish, E. C. ...... '57
Parish, John ...... '52
Paulson, Lee...... '62
Pavey, C. B. ...... '63
Peterson, H. M. ... '60
Peterson, W. R. ... '60
Podoll, E. G. ...... '59
Potter, R. J. ...... '59
Putnam, I. E. ..... '47
Reed, C. W. ...... '52
Rideout, Theodore ... '62
Rieff, E. L. ...... '69
Robinson, J. S. ... '58
Roesti, LeRoy P. ... '58
Rogers, G. H. ....... '68
Saunderson, G. C. ... '58
Schenkel, A. A. ... '51
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Schvenienus, C. W. ... '58
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Sechrist, F. L. ... '69
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Shields, W. E. ... '59
Smith, Frederick ... '70
Snyder, P. J. ... '63
Soltau, Henry ... '53
Spong, F. A. ... '64
Spurlock, R. B. ... '64
Talikka, Peter ... '54
Thede, Harvey ... '60
Thompson, Roy C. ... '70
Tryen, Delbert S. ... '70
Utzinger, E. J. ... '66
Utzman, A. B. ... '69
Volkmann, Max ... '69
Wells, G. Ronald ... '63
Werner, R. R. ... '50
Wiener, W. H. ... '59
Williams, Frank ... '57
Williams, Stanley ... '70
Windsor, J. E. ... '60
Witt, B. G. ... '63
Workman, L. A. ... '56

Approved Supplies:

Gabriel, J. J. ... '68
Gustafson, E. L. ... '68
Hamilton, G. E. ... '67
Hartman, Elsie ... '62
Hendricks, R. E. ... '60
Overmire, R. E. ... '65
Ramey, A. M. ... '68
Sanaker, J. A. ... '65
Sanders, Leslie ... '68
Tingley, A. W. ... '63
Wiberg, Roy ... '69
CENTRAL DISTRICT
Clarence R. Nicholas, Superintendent (1)
424 Golf Terrace, Litchfield 55355

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<td>Harold M. Brueland (PM)</td>
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(RS) Minnesota Conference member in retired relationship serving a church.
(LP) Lay Pastor
Ministers in full connection in other conferences or denominations are indicated by the conference or denominational title.
(AM) Associate Member (PM) Probationary Member

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EPISCOPAL MESSAGE

LET MY PEOPLE GO

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Rise up early in the morning and stand before Pharaoh and say to him, ‘Thus says the Lord, the God of the Hebrews: Let my people go that they may serve me.’”

Exodus 9:13

The Jerusalem Bible

I saw a brick. Ten years ago it was under special guard at The Oriental Institute hard by the campus of The University of Chicago. It was made by Hebrew slaves in Egypt more than twelve hundred years before Christ. Its symbolic worth is revealed in the fifth chapter of Exodus. Listen!

... Pharaoh gave this command to the ... slave-drivers and to the overseers. “Up to the present, you have provided these people with straw for brickmaking. Do so no longer; let them go and gather straw for themselves. All the same, you are to get from them the same number of bricks as before, ... They are lazy, and that is why their cry is, ‘Let us go up and offer sacrifice to our God.’ Make these men work harder than ever, so that they do not have time to stop and listen to glib speeches.”

Exodus 4:6-9, 12-18

The Jerusalem Bible

So the people scattered all over the land of Egypt to gather stubble for making chopped straw. The slave-drivers harassed them. “Every day you must complete your daily quota,” they said, “just as you did when straw was provided for you.” And the foremen who had been appointed for the sons of Israel by Pharaoh’s slave-drivers were flogged, and they were asked, “Why have you not produced your full amount of bricks as before ...?” The foremen went to Pharaoh and complained. “Why do you treat your servants so?” they said, “No straw is provided for your servants and still the cry is, ‘Make bricks!’ And now your servants have been flogged! ‘You are lazy, lazy’ Pharaoh answered, ‘That is why you say, ‘let us go up and offer sacrifice to Yahweh.’ Get back to your work at once. You shall not get any straw, but you must deliver the numbers of bricks due from you.”

Exodus 5:6-9, 12-18

The Jerusalem Bible

To whose bondage ... to whose oppression ... to whose predicament did that brick under heavy guard point? Did it point only to the plight of those Israelites enslaved in Egypt? Or, did it point also to Pharaoh’s enslavement as an oppressor? Or, did it point, perchance, to the predicament of every man who knows not the exodus ... the liberating ... the setting free ... God graciously promises and provides?

For many years I have been fascinated by the life of Joseph and by the Exodus event. These led the Israelites to knowledge of God as the one “who brought his people out of Egypt.” The same people God led into Egypt in the time of Joseph to save their lives he led out of Egypt in the time of Moses to save their lives again. God’s intention to liberate his people is nowhere more sharply enunciated, save in the life, death and resurrection of our Lord, than in the line he spoke to Pharaoh through Moses. Using Moses (and Aaron) he said, “Let my people go, that they may serve me.”
As Christians affirming rootage in Judaism, confessing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, carrying Wesleyan tendencies and alive in 1970, how do we think, speak and act relative to God’s intention enunciated in this line... “Let my people go, that they may serve me”? For instance, what is our understanding of the inclusiveness of God’s phrase “my people”? Whom does God want liberated so that they may serve him?

If we confine our understanding of the Exodus God offers to the historic event in which Moses, Pharaoh and the Israelites participated, we will be convinced that Exodus is for remnant communities of chosen people. The Exodus text indeed suggests this. Yahweh said to Moses,

I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slavedrivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow...

And now the cry of the sons of Israel has come to me, and I have witnessed the way in which the Egyptians oppress them, so come, I send you to Pharaoh to bring the sons of Israel, my people, out of Egypt.

Exodus 3:7-10

The Jerusalem Bible

I have thought much of late about God’s remnant people for these times. God is never without the people who carry the word of his liberating grace through troubled times... The people who said, “God brought us out of the house of bondage.” Who are these people now? I confess that do not know. I do know, however, that to think one’s self to be a remnant person is to reveal pride which belies liberation and I know that most communities which have contended that they were remnant people in days past have turned out not to be remnant at all. Will you understand me if I warn those among us who think they preach the gospel properly to souls and those who think they act the gospel properly to systems to beware of boasting, even inwardly, about their special status with God. In the light of the full gospel which is addressed both to souls and to systems evangelism must be concerned with the proclamation of God’s power to transform individuals and communities and the remnant people will include persons who see all valid forms of ministry as derived from Christ’s ongoing ministry to all men.

Maimonides once asked, “How can individuals caught in an evil society be wholly saved and how can a society made up of evil individuals be wholly saved?” He broke out of his own circular and revolving question by saying salvation would come when some charismatic person arrived to lead men and groups of men to freedom under God.

That charismatic person has arrived! He is God’s liberating Word enfleshed in Christ. He is among us. It is our mission to proclaim him through our think-speak-act sequences and we are called to do this without prideful contention that we are God’s remnant people.

Must not our understanding of God’s phrase, “My people,” if we are Christians, include more than a remnant community of chosen people? To be sure the Israelites were in bondage. They were enslaved brickmakers. But Pharaoh was also in bondage. He was an enslaved brick user. He used bricks to build the cities of Pithom and Ramses, perhaps to house and civilize his subjects but, much more probably, to articulate his personal status among kings. Did not God, who is known to us in Christ, when he sent Moses to Pharaoh, mean to say, “Let Pharaoh go from his particular bondage that he may serve me”? How could the enslaved Israelites be freed from debasing brick making unless at the same time Pharaoh was freed from prideful brick using?
If we can believe that Pharaoh was included in God’s “my people” can we not believe that every man is included and that all men are included in his “my people”? No lesser understanding will do for a person who trusts what Jesus Christ reveals about God’s grace.

Carlyle Marney’s new book THE COMING FAITH is eloquent about God’s will to give his grace to all men. Permit me to read from Marney. He is obviously indebted to St. Paul, to Karl Barth and to Wilhelm Pauck. Now . . . Marney . . .

“. . . here is St. Paul’s great discovery. Paul knows Jesus Christ before he knows Adam. Christ is first, he is progenitor of man. Adam is incidental and trivial, not primal, just early. This makes for Paul an astounding difference.” (p. 47, Ibid.)

“Adam and all his descendants, that is, all human history, its beginnings, its fallings and risings, its sin and redemption, must be seen under the aspect of Jesus Christ in whom God became man, in whom God has declared himself incontrovertibly and unchangeably for man.” (p. 48, Ibid.)

“When Paul describes sin it is so bad we throw it up or throw it out by saying he was talking about perverts. When Paul describes salvation it is so universal that Jews and Gentiles wind up in the same category. But when he really says what he means, that in Christ Jesus us saved and those lost are under the same grace and in the same status before God, then we really become unbuckled.” (p. 56, Ibid.)

“God loves everybody. We Christians have no special place in his love. This is the good news . . . our only advantage is that we now know this.” (p. 58, Ibid.)

“And what do we know? That we can set no theological limits to the love of God: He loves where and whom he will and calls ‘all things’ unto himself in the Man Christ-Jesus. Our hearing of his call confers on us no special or better status. Our only specialness is that we now know about his love for all men.” (p. 58, Ibid.)

When Jesus returned to Nazareth he stood up to read during the synagogue service. It was not what he read that threatened the worshipers. Remember he read:

The spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
Because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim release of the captives  
And recovering of sight to the blind,  
To set at liberty those who are oppressed,  
To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.  

St. Luke 4: 18-19

But when he stated and then explained that he was himself the effective expression of God’s liberating race enfleshed among them they were scandalized and . . . Led him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built that they might throw him down.

There he was offering freedom under God’s grace to every man and they became unbuckled. But this is how Christians understand

Let My People Go.

Let the Israelites go, let Pharaoh go, let every man, every Adam and every Eve go that they may serve me.
Now I must turn to the second part of the text... the therefore part... the “so what” part... the practical part: “Let my people go that they may serve me.”

God does not liberate his people to turn them into libertines. He does not set them free to do as they please... to do their own self-centered thing. He liberates them to serve his liberation movement. He expects those he brought out of the house of bondage to serve in terms of his gracious word to man. Read again the preface to the Decalogue:

“I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt out of the house of bondage (therefore) you shall have no other Gods before me.”

We know the good news he wants us to think and say and do. How do we think-say-do it? We know that our Lord is directing forgiveness, justice, peace, love and hope toward all men. How are we aiding him in his ministry? We know the lines and actions for a servant life. How do we speak and act them?

When I come upon questions like these I cannot escape the conclusions that when God liberates an individual he expects that individual to act like he has been liberated and that when persons whom he has liberated congregate he expects their fellowship to reveal their freedom. So...

“You are the salt of the earth. Be salt.”
“You are the light of the world. Be light.”
“You are set free. Show your freedom in your serving.”

Are we United Methodists in Minnesota really liberated by God? Or, perhaps it would be better to ask, are we in the process of being liberated by him? Permit me to make this question poignantly in two theological languages.

In one of these languages I must ask, have we been saved from original sin which is to be freed from the will to be central... even more central than God... in circles where we live and work? Are we being sanctified day by day which is to be increasingly freed from the works of the flesh and the devil and to be increasingly controlled by the fruits of the spirit... love... joy... peace... patience... kindness... goodness... faithfulness... gentleness... self-control? Do those who understand this language really mean

All to Jesus I surrender
All to Him I freely give
I will ever love and trust Him
In His presence daily live?

In the other of these languages I must ask, have we so understood the nature and use of power and so ordered that understanding under the authority of Christ that our activisms come out as cooperation with God’s liberation movement and not just as additional political moves of egocentric human beings? Are we really motivated day by day with longings for the coming of God’s rule among men so that the cup of water given for Christ is not polluted by arrogance, bungling and genocide but still holds the freshness of his grace?

It is my judgment... after much consideration of the matter... that there are many persons and groups of persons in and around our congregations who intend to serve God faithfully as implied in either one or both of these languages. These persons and groups are our community of trust.

I have noted, however, in going in and out among you, that some of you... while longing to be within a mature community of trust... find it very difficult to trust your fellow United Methodists. You live in suspicion of... and consequently in fear of, the very persons who are worthy, under Christ, of your confidence. You do not seem to know that the validity of the Gospel is in the Gospel itself and not in you. You do not seem to know that every Christian's
ministry is crippled ... so crippled that it can not be the model of ministry for every other Christian and can not be the central ministry of the church. Only Christ's ministry can be central.

It is Christ's faithfulness to us which makes it possible for us to be somewhat faithful. His trustworthiness ... however perceived and claimed by us ... makes us trustworthy and gathers us into trustworthy community. I rejoice tonight in the numerous evidences of such trustworthiness among us. Such persons and groups can serve God in diverse ways ... even in contradictory ways ... with the cluster of their ministries forming not a chaos but a many splendored whole ... a community of trust ... under God's banner.

Let my people go that they may serve me.

Prayers

When the record of these times is finally written it will be identified ... I think ..., as a period in which there was an avalanche of prayers offered by enslaved people seeking liberation and the abundant life. We seldom identify these expressions as prayers. We call them opinions, ideologies, demands, sit-ins or demonstrations. No matter what we call them most of them possess characteristics of prayer. Now, it is as though there were ten thousand ships at sea beaming Save Our Ship with only a few Coast Guard cutters available to respond to the calls for help. I hope we United Methodists are being sufficiently liberated by God's grace in these times so as to be free to hear humanity's contemporary calls for help.

Many of these communications which I have called prayers are very sophisticated. Usually they do not seem to be directed toward God but toward men. They overlook ... and sometimes scoff at ... our conviction that men need some awareness of deliverance by God in order to hear and make functional responses to their prayers. Please hear some of these pleadings for exodus now with full awareness that we may be called to help answer them.

The first prayer I want to read deals with the plight of the third world. It reveals how developing nations and developed nations are in the same sinking ship and was spoken in April of this year by Dr. Theodosius Doszhansky of New York University.

... the carrying capacity of our planet is clearly visible. Runaway population growth and the deterioration of the environment are the most urgent and nonpostponable problems facing man today.

We need to frame a new ethic of social responsibility in procreation. The whole domain of sex life and family building we have traditionally held to be private affairs, in which the interests of the individuals concerned are the chief and only determinants. But this must inevitably change.

The relative affluence enjoyed by people in so-called developed countries cannot be made universal with the 3.5 billion people which the world contains, much less for the at least six-billion expected by the year 2000. Nobody in his right mind will propose that we kill people or deliberately shorten their lives, therefore the number of births has to be reduced.

That is a prayer!

The second prayer deals with the plight of an individual needing salvation. I read it in an article about Gamblers Anonymous. One man said,

There is a tremendous gap between the pain that we have suffered and the understanding we have of it. We talk about those awful years that are behind us, of borrowing money and
stealing and embezzling, of living day by day behind a facade. But what we really think about is this—we think of the love we lost and the love we were unable to find and the love we were unable to give.

Such prayers are still being uttered by thousands of souls in a terrible mix of bondages. They are the prayers of souls needing the Savior.

The third prayers in two voices were written by younger persons after a summer spent in service projects. The first voice said,

Man is on the moon! MAN—the same man that sits in a one-room shack made of rotting wood with rags stuffed in holes and windows held together with masking tape. Or—the man sitting in his plush living room in his big house, never noticing the poverty-stricken as he drives by. Who is the really poor man? From what I've seen among our mountains, it could be either, neither, or both.

The second younger voice said.

When we toured the Freedom Tower in Miami (where the Cuban refugee flights land), I saw a small blackboard on which was written these four words: 'Now is the time.' These words had much meaning for me. It's time to start acting instead of talking; time for love instead of hate; peace instead of war; food instead of hunger; and hope for the people who have given up hope. The time isn't yesterday, because we can't change what has been done. The time isn't tomorrow, because tomorrow may be too late. Rather, 'Now is the time!'

Those are in part the prayers of youth.

The fourth prayer is from the world of the minority people. Bishop Mortimer Arias of Bolivia spoke these lines as he observed our United Methodist relationships to minority groups in this country.

What you do here in your own house will affect, like it or not, the whole church around the world—for better or for worse. So, your newly discovered responsibility to the minority groups is part of your witness to the rest of the world. That is why we must be most happy for your concern and involvement in the transformation of American society.

This is a question of justice. These minority groups are not asking for charity but for justice. They feel they have been robbed and they are demanding more than token money. You cannot dismiss them with a wave of your hand or a pious declaration of good will and understanding. Justice is inherent in the Gospel, and these minorities have in front of their eyes big churches, big budgets, machinery, luxury and irrelevancy. These facts make your burden heavier and your responsibility unavoidable.

Surely we can hear minority groups praying in that!

Hear me, a Christian and especially a Wesleyan Christian does not turn deaf ears to such prayers. He hears them and prays for himself that God will involve him both in the prayers and in the actions which answer those prayers.

Resources

We United Methodists possess many resources which we will deploy increasingly to help God free both individuals and communities from their bondages. Permit me to speak of three such resources.
The free pulpit: The membership of our preachers is in our Annual Conferences. Their amenability is to their fellow ministers in those conferences. They are under the appointive power of bishops by which they are settled in their places of work. Our church properties are held in trust for the whole church. These facts of our United Methodist life are the best guarantees we have that our preachers will be free to preach the whole gospel.

It is my understanding that God's saving, healing and emancipating grace was revealed to us through Jesus Christ and is now at work in the world through the Holy Spirit. That grace is directed toward individuals and God intends thereby to convert and transform persons. That grace is directed toward communities and God intends thereby to convert and transform societies. Both of these thrusts of the good news must be preached if the whole counsel of God is to be uttered. If a preacher preaching about individual salvation exposes the secret sins of individuals or if in preaching about social salvation he exposes our cruel systems he will undoubtedly be accused of not preaching the gospel by those who smart under his proclamation. If he preaches one of these thrusts to the exclusion of the other he will be failing as a preacher of the whole gospel.

Dr. Hollenweger, a member of the Swiss Reformed Church and a Pentecostal said recently, "... today there is a need to see that salvation is not only about the minor evils in the world. It is also, as the Scriptures tell us, a world and life transforming power before which tremble the impersonal devils of today's power machines."

Preachers, hear me, proclaim as responsibly as you can the whole counsel of God. Laymen, hear me, do all in your power to encourage your preacher to preach even that under which you smart. Your salvation both as a person and as a citizen of the world depends upon your continuing to hear and act upon the whole gospel.

The conference structure: This conference is now in possession of and will confront, study and respond to the report of Willson Associates. It forces us to think about the structure of our common life as United Methodists in Minnesota. That structure is one of our major resources.

The report commends itself to me in many ways. First, it takes local church reactions to the conference church organization seriously. Second, it indicates that we have not yet discovered the effectiveness and power of our connectionalism. Third, it proposes communication systems, personal, structural and technical destined to enrich our connectional life. Fourth, it indicates, in a preliminary way, what priorities are front and center now for district superintendents and conference program staff. Fifth, it proposes an institute to equip all of us for more effective ministry. Sixth, it recognizes the fact that our stewardship of hours, abilities and material possessions is yet far from adequate.

There are also some questions which I am asking about the report and I hope this conference will ask them also. First, has the theory of political regionalism for Minnesota been tested sufficiently so as to commend these regional boundaries to us as district boundaries? An article by Bernie Shellum and Robert Franklin in The Minneapolis Tribune of Sunday, May 31, leads me to doubt the present maturity of this regional proposal. Second, does not this report lack an adequate appraisal of the boards and agencies of the conference and especially at the point of how their valid missional activities will be coordinated and administered? Third, do we understand this report as proposing not fewer conference employees but more; eleven men on the districts, three men in the program staff; additional persons as needed to administer the work of education, evangelism, missions, social concerns and finance?

I am confident that this conference will deal in depth with this report and with the lives of men and women which may be affected by the response we
make to it. The report is now the property of the conference and only the conference can act with regard to it. In doing so the conference will be dealing with a resource for mission.

Committed property and money: Our church buildings are exceedingly valuable resources and, if idle much of the time, they are very expensive. I find myself encouraged when I see our buildings being used to shelter nursery schools, day care centers, community meetings and other activities which may be quite extra-church. The antenna which I have out indicate that there is much more of this kind of building use than most of us surmise. There can be much more dedication of our buildings for the good of our neighbors.

It is my hope that at an early date we may be able to sublet a significant portion of the fourth floor at The Church Center as primary evidence that those of us who work there seek always to conserve resources for the church’s service and not an expanding empire for conference servants.

When the reports were all in at the end of our last fiscal year we had given 95.6% of all the dollars we had agreed to expect ourselves to give. In addition to that we gave, in 1969, over $100,000 to the Fund for Reconciliation and almost $250,000 in Advance Specials. That turns me to singing doxologies. I know some people call conference apportionments “taxes” and that some of our people don’t want us to risk dollars in the hope that alienated peoples will be reconciled but I am forced to conclude that such persons are but a small minority among us. I believe that most of our people see the relationship of tithes and offerings to God’s proclamation.

“Let my people go that they may serve me.”

Three glorious opportunities for working with God through giving are immediately before us. We can, if we will, do much more through our Fund for Reconciliation. We probably will not reach our official goal of $500,000 but if we reach a total of $260,000 we will keep pace with the total goal of our church. We have twenty-two months before General Conference of 1972 in which to do again as much as we have done in the last fifteen months.

The recent special session of our General Conference asked us to join with United Methodists in all the states to give five million dollars in new money annually for Black colleges. We have been doing something annually for Rust College. Consequently we have some good public relations going for us already. Our fair share of the new money will be about $65,000. Surely we can give these dollars to speak more effectively to the empowerment of Blacks in our time.

A third opportunity we have for the commitment of resources is to our inner city ministries. We have twelve increasingly competent and specialized ministers at work in three population concentrations and some lay supporters of their work are emerging. There are 50,000 persons in the Dale-Selby Area where we have four congregations related to the St. Paul Urban Parish. There are almost numberless persons in the South Minneapolis area where we have three congregations related to the larger Inner City Project and in the North Minneapolis area where we have one congregation. Only three of the eight congregations indicated have any possibility of keeping even one minister at work in their areas and the members of these congregations are only partially free to be servant people in their own neighborhoods. It is unthinkable that we in any way slacken our commitment to mission in these areas but only this conference can make the decision as to what resources we will commit to these multitudes in their efforts to find the humanity which is truly their right under the Gospel and under the constitution of the United States.

To be sure our resources are meager . . . dreadfully meager . . . when measured against the human needs which cry at us out of thousands of bondages. Sometimes we try to not hear the prayers of our fellows and of ourselves. But in
our most sanctified moments we know that we are hearing them and we also
know that the God who in Christ brought us out of the house of bondage will
not let us rest until we serve him by trying to set others free to serve him. We
know that the only way we can evade serving within God's actions to free souls
and systems from sin and degradation is in slipping back into bondage ourselves.
In neglecting the enslaved who need God's grace we enslave ourselves. We know
that we are called now to commit more and more of our resources to serve Him.

That brick hangs around every man's neck. God wants it and all it stands for
lifted off of every neck and he needs our help in the lifting of it.

We can not do the lifting God has already done in Christ but we can
participate in his steadfast lifting. Here is our finest destiny to share with God in
setting souls and systems free to serve him. Not many souls and systems are free
as God wants them to be. Freedom under God's grace is not fully here but it is
on the way and this is the good news we proclaim and try to perform. I still
believe the hymn which says,

The peoples hunger for thee, Lord;
The world is waiting for thy Word.

For what word do the people wait?
Let my people go that they may serve me.

THE ORDINATION SERMON

EXPLODING UNDER THE IMPLODING WORD

... if I preach the Gospel, I can claim no credit for it; I can
not help myself. 1 Corinthians 9:16—New English Bible

There are times . . . and they fall without mercy upon service-oriented
professions . . . and they descend unannounced . . . and they spend themselves
mostly in winnowing . . . times when persons within those serving professions
must either rediscover the essence of their work or give it up. Such times have
come for ordained ministers, and the signs of these times are in the lines of vision
for all persons who care about the Church.

Now, many of the students in schools of theology do not know if they either
tend toward or desire ordination. Their indecision is strengthened by their
proximity to the "now" generation bristling with demands for authenticity. Their
wrestling with the meaning and worth of ordination is prelude to their acceptance
of orders in a way it was not prelude for many of us who have been ordained
long since. On balance, this struggling is . . . I believe . . . great gain for the
church because by it some are happily led away from ordination while at least
some others are refined and toughened for it.

Now, many . . . sometimes I think far too many . . . ordained persons are
either seeking ways out of ordination or wishing they could find ways out. They
numbered in the thousands in 1969 and can be thought of . . . I believe . . . as the
new dispersion of ministers into nonchurch arenas which cry unwittingly for the
presence of persons who carry the Living Word. It is necessary, at the very least,
to ponder whether or not God is leading some persons out of ordination in order
to lead them into more faithful and effective servant roles.

To be sure, these somewhat negative factors indicate that these are times
which demand that ordained ministers must rediscover the irreducible essence of
their work, but there are affirmative factors, also, which make the same
demands. At its Uniting Conference in Dallas in 1968 The United Methodist
Church adopted some very important definitions of ministry. The following was
included:
Ministry in the Christian Church is derived from the ministry of Christ, the ministry of the Father through the Incarnate Son by the Holy Spirit. It is a ministry bestowed upon and required of the entire Church. All Christians are called to ministry, and theirs is a ministry of the people of God within the community of faith and in the world. Members of The United Methodist Church receive this gift of ministry in company with all Christians and sincerely hope to continue and extend it in the world for which Christ lived, died and lives again. The United Methodist Church believes that Baptism, Confirmation, and responsible membership in the Church are visible signs of acceptance of this ministry. pp. 106-107 The Book of Discipline

Will it not be true, as non-ordained ministers of The United Methodist Church discover and claim their ministries, that ordained ministers will be forced to rediscover the irreducible essence of their work?

Now, in addition to these factors, The Consultation on Church Union is about to publish a Plan of Union which further proves that the time for winnowing has come. That Plan includes the following:

. . . All members of the Church, children, youth, men and women, are grafted into the People of God by baptism or by Baptism-Confirmation, and thereby commissioned for ministry. With direct access to God, they share in Christ's priestly ministry for all men. All share in the commission and authority of the whole church under Christ. Their ministry is expressed by proclaiming the mighty acts of God in Christ Jesus, by celebrating in the eucharist the joy of his resurrection, by mediating his atoning and reconciling work to the world, and by acting responsively to God's will that his whole creation be renewed.

The chapter continues,

. . . the laity understands itself as a functional participant in the whole ministry. On the one hand, the ordained Christian lives and acts in the world as well as in the church; ordination does not exclude him from the laos. On the other hand, the lay person is more than a consumer of the enabling fellowship of the church. He is a producer, an ambassador of the church in the world. Neither the lay person nor the ordained person is to be defined in apposition to the other.

When truths like these are in the minds of some persons, and when they are widely disseminated, and when the fullness of their time comes, what will ordained ministers do? They will . . . I believe . . . if they are truly called of God and set apart by His Church find meaning for their lives in the irreducible essence of their work.

Proposition: The United Methodist Church adopted a somewhat new position on the essence of ordained ministry in April of 1968. It is new because it is tri-dimensional rather than bi-dimensional. Hear it!

God in Christ, by the Holy Spirit, has called and still calls his whole church to minister in his name and under his authority and grace. In exercising this ministry the church is required to perform certain ministries which the whole Church can perform only through ordained ministers. Ordination is the rite (action) of the church by which some are entrusted with the authority to be ministers of Word, Sacrament and Order. p. 109—The Book of Discipline
Ah, so these are the basics of the work of clergymen, but do they constitute the irreducible essence... the last ditch minimum of professional uniqueness for ordained ministers?

Consider the ministry of sacraments; is it an irreducible essential? Have not non-ordained ministers been permitted times without number to preside at the sacraments out of sheer necessity? Are not house church, underground church and guerrilla church communion services held frequently with little regard for resolutions of Faith and Order problems and often without benefit of clergy? And do not these practices at least raise the question as to whether the ministry of sacraments is irreducible essence of ordained life? I know the position of the church. I support it. I try to lead my Minnesotans to follow it, but the practices of these times... expedient and liberated... make me wonder whether ordained ministers will be able to keep the sacraments within their private domain.

Consider, also, the ministry of Order; is it an irreducible essential? The book says, "To be ordained to the ministry of Order is to be authorized to equip the laity for ministry, to exercise pastoral oversight and to administer the Discipline of the Church." p. 110—Ibid.

Is not this emphasis a strange mixture of magisterial and ministerial roles? The ministerial portions probably belong within the ministry of the Word. The magisterial ones are exceedingly difficult to carry out in these times. Surely ordained ministers are not the sole equippers of the saints for servanthood. And what thinking person would contend that a minister has any more forceful tool than gospelized moral suasion when it comes to administering discipline? Suffice it to say that I am now forced to wonder if ordained ministers will be able to keep the ministry of Order within their private domain.

These considerations hack away at the roots of the tree of ordination as we have known it, but they do not destroy the plant, because the irreducible essence of the ordained life still remains unhacked. It is the ministry of the Word. We say, "To be ordained to the ministry of Word is to be authorized to preach the Word of God." p. 109—Ibid.

This is... I believe... the irreducible essence of the ordained ministry... to be a minister of the Word.

St. Paul wrote in his first letter to the Christians at Corinth of how his ministry was dominated by the faith that he was under the Word... under the gospel. The New English Bible puts the apostle's words as follows: "Even if I preach the Gospel, I can claim no credit for it; I cannot help myself; it would be misery to me not to preach." 1 Corinthians 9:16

Clarence Tucker Craig in exegesis of this text wrote, "St. Paul had no choice about preaching the gospel. From the day that the risen Christ appeared to him, a divine compulsion had driven him..." p. 103 The Interpreter's Bible, Vol. 10

May I put Dr. Craig's statement in the idiom of my theme? "St. Paul had no choice about being a minister of the Word. From the day that Christ, the Living Word, imploded in Him, a divine compulsion to explode under the imploding Word had driven him."

There is the irreducible essence of the ordained ministry... to explode under the imploding word. It is to be so much under the Living Word bursting inward that one cannot help himself from allowing that word to burst out of him.

Now, perhaps I should just stop here and leave the fleshing out of my thesis to those who desire to do so, but I cannot stop here. I must at least point to some openings into it. So in somewhat sketchy and staccato fashion let us consider the imploding word and then the exploding that follows implosion.

There was and is the imploding word in creation. God said, "Let there be
light." God said, "Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together in one place, and let the dry land appear." God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed." God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light upon the earth." God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth and across the firmament of the heavens."

"God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kind." Then God said, "Let us make man in our image."

Selections from Genesis 1: 3, 6, 9, 11, 14, 20, 24, 26
Revised Standard Version

Of this "God said" bit, Dr. Gerhard Von Rad wrote,

The idea of creation by the Word preserves . . . the most radical and essential distinction between creator and creature. Creation cannot be even remotely considered an emanation from God; it is not somehow an overflow or reflection of his being, but is, rather, a product of his personal will. The only continuity between God and His work is the Word . . . This creative word in distinction from every human word, is powerful and of the highest creative potency. pp. 49-50, Von Rad, Genesis

I perceive that this creative word not only did but does yet burst into us . . . it is the imploding word . . . and as such is the irresistible power within the ministry of the word.

Again, there was and is the imploding Word in Jesus Christ. Hear the prologue to the Gospel according to St. John again under awareness of the imploding Word!

When all things began, the Word already was. The Word dwelt with God, and what God was, the Word was. The Word, then, was with God at the beginning, and through him all things came to be; no single thing was created without him. All that came to be was alive with his life, and that life was the light of men. The light shines on in the dark, and the darkness has never quenched it.

. . . the Word became flesh; he came to dwell among us, and we saw his glory, such glory as befits the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. St. John 1: 1-5, 14 New English Bible

Of this portion the late Archbishop William Temple wrote,

The Word did not merely indwell a human being. The Word is Jesus; Jesus is the Word. And it is said that the Word became flesh because "flesh" is the part of human nature commonly associated with frailty and evil. In Jesus the flesh is the completely responsive vehicle of the spirit. The whole of Him, flesh included, is the Word, the self-utterance of God, and "He pitched His fleshly tent among us." pp. 13-14, Temple. Readings in St. John's Gospel

I perceive that this Christ-Event not only did but does burst into us . . . is the imploding word . . . and as such is the irresistible power under the ministry of the Word.
Illustrations of exploding under the imploding word are multitudinous. Permit me to hold up only a few. In James Michener’s book, *The Source*, there is an unforgettable account of how a faithful Jewish father, Yigal by name, allowed the Word to explode out of him on the day when his city and his family were about to be destroyed. The description is compelling:

On the day when it became apparent to all that the town must collapse with the next sunrise, Yigal gathered his family for the last time to discuss with them what a good Jew should be. “You children may live your lives as slaves in some far country,” he said with little outward emotion, “and it may be difficult for you to remain Jews. But if you will remember only two things it will be easy to be faithful. There is but one God. He has no assistants, no separations, no form, no personality. He is God, one and alone. The second thing never to forget is that God has chosen Israel for special duties and responsibilities. Perform them well.” He hesitated and his voice broke, “Perform them well.”

But Yigal’s exploding of the Word was more than words, it was also drama and action. The story continues,

He stayed with his children for some hours, talking with them about the various countries to which they might be taken, after which he gathered all the elders of the family and formed them in a circle about the young ones. The older Jews held hands as Yigal said quietly, “Wherever you go in slavery, remember this moment. You are surrounded by the love of God. You are never alone for you live within the circle of God’s affection.

pp. 418-419, Michener. *The Source*

That kind of exploding under the discipline of the imploding Word is the Ministry of the Word.

Then there was that explosion under the discipline of the imploding Word on August 28, 1963 in Washington, D.C. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said,

I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave-owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood. I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heat of injustice, sweltering with the heat of oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice. I have a dream that one day in Alabama...one day right there in Alabama, little black boys and little black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and little white girls as sisters and brothers. I have a dream today. I have a dream that one day every valley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plain, and the crooked places will be made straight and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all flesh shall see it together. This is our hope.

Yet again, there has been always and there is now the imploding Word in human cries for help. Bob Rowland’s poem entitled, “Listen, Christian”, bursts inward like a Word from God for many of us. Hear it!

I was hungry and you formed a humanities club and discussed my hunger.

Thank you.

I was imprisoned and you crept off quietly to your chapel in the cellar and prayed for my release.
I was naked and in your mind you debated the morality of my appearance.
I was sick and you knelt and thanked God for your health.
I was homeless and you preached to me of the spiritual shelter of the love of God.
I was lonely and you left me alone to pray for me.
You seem so holy; so close to God, but I'm still very hungry and lonely and cold.
Thank you.

It is literally true that
Where cross the crowded ways of life,
Where sound the cries of race and clan,
Above the noise of selfish strife,
We hear your imploding Word, O Son of Man.

Now, not one of these illustrations suggests that such exploding is a simple act. It is, rather, the act of a person thoroughly tutored in the meanings and actions of Christ's age-long invasion of human souls and human systems. It is the act of a person thoroughly prepared in mind, in heart and in relationships for faithful servanthood under Christ. It is the act of a person who knows what explosions stem appropriately from the imploding Word of God and what ones do not. It is an act employing many expressional forms.

Such exploding can hardly be confined to pulpit events. It is surely appropriate to the several portions of sanctuary celebrations, but even as it can not be limited to pulpits it can not be limited to sanctuaries. It is equally appropriate to an ordained minister's personal life, his family life, his pastoral life, and his recreational life. Dr. R. E. C. Browne wrote: "Ministers of the Word must frequently recall that what they do when they are not speaking makes their speech truthful."

So, the transmittal of the Living Word is more than the irreducible essence of the ordained ministry—it is the desirable life style... a life style of Word, deed and action.

Because the imploding Word is God's eternal and contemporary "Yes" to mankind, disciplined exploding under that Word is also affirmative. Even its proclamation of and active functioning in judgment intends to be constructive. By this standard much that has been going over sacred desks of late must be labeled as clerical masochism or sadism. What I'm talking about keeps company with affirmation, with faith, with hope and with the power of the resurrection. It's dominant motif is,
The strife is o'er, the battle done;
The victory of life is won
The song of triumph has begun
Alleluia.
The powers of death have done their worst,
But Christ their legions hath dispersed;
Let shouts of holy joy outburst.
Alleluia.

Such is the life of the ordained minister who says, "I cannot help myself; it would be misery to me not to preach."

I wish I could believe that all Christians can be equally ministers of the Word in the way I have described that ministry. Perhaps they can in limited
ways. But even to do that most of them will need to be led into it. They will need persons who excel them by far in both formal and informal preparation for the ministry to the Word. To be thus prepared and thereafter available to others is to possess the irreducible essence of the ordained ministry.

One of my Minnesota ministers, thoroughly prepared, wrote to his congregation just before Easter: "... there is that which comes among us, comes again and again, to give us new life and joy in daring. Our strength is not in ourselves, nor is our hope in the fate of institutions, but in the Lord of Life, even Jesus Christ whom no death can hold." Thomas Payne.

That's what I mean by exploding under the imploding Word, and this is what justifies the continuation of a thoroughly trained ordained ministry. Out of that training come some who say, "I cannot help myself; Christ the living Word has imploded in me and I must explore under that Word."
VI. REPORTS OF THE CONFERENCE

THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

What A District Superintendent Does

Before I was appointed to this ministry, Bishop Nall slipped me a copy of *The Role of the District Superintendent* by Dr. Murray Leiffer. I read the book, but little if any of what is in this report came from it, and it has not been my main handbook during these six years.

Obviously in this as in all other ministeries the answer to “What a District Superintendent Does” must be stated in personal terms. There can be no “formula”, no list of guidelines that will tell you “how to do it.” It is my firm conviction that the most important elements in anyone’s ministry are the quality of personhood he or she possesses (or is in the process of achieving) and the depth and vitality of the knowledge of Christ toward which that person is pressing. This is not primarily an office; it is a ministry, a mission, and it has been a privilege beyond anything I could have asked or thought to have shared the mutual trust, the joys and adversities of lay members and ministers and their families during these years.

In “Division Three—Episcopal Supervision”, Article 9 (¶58) *The Book of Discipline* (1968) we read: “In each Annual Conference there shall be one or more district superintendents who shall assist the Bishop in the administration of the Annual Conference and shall have such responsibilities and term of office as the General Conference may determine.”

We now turn to §354 of the 1968 Discipline from which we select a few of the “duties of the District Superintendent” as listed there. I want only to add to the disciplinary statements some interpretive and (in a few cases, I think) corrective comments in the light not only of my own experience, but that of my colleagues. (Numbers are those of sections in the *Discipline.*)

1. They shall “travel through the District in order to preach and oversee the spiritual and temporal affairs of the church.” A quarter of a million miles by car alone must give some kind of credentials for a commentary. I see no way to avoid this travel if one is to be faithful in this ministry. When feasible, we have asked persons and groups to come to see us. The telephone and mail are useful for much of our communication, but there are still many “duties of the superintendent” that cannot be performed except with his presence where the need exists. It is well over two hundred miles from Wadena to the two Northwest District churches farthest from there; which makes them almost four hundred miles from Minneapolis. But the distance does not lessen the need for the person appointed to this ministry to be in the far points of the district on occasions that require his presence.

The district superintendent is not just a traveler; he travels “in order to preach and oversee the spiritual and temporal affairs of the Church.” I have preached less than half the 312 Sundays I have been on the district. The other times I have shared the preaching efforts of those who are the ministers of the churches. Several times I have worshiped in churches of other denominations and this too has been good.

3. “To administer the program of the Church within the bounds of his district in cooperation with the pastors and the Charge Conferences.” I wish here to express appreciation for the responsible and dedicated lay persons who really are the Church.

The three items mentioned as administrative responsibilities are “pastors’ salaries, continuing education for ministers and financial support of all conference and denominational causes.” The failure of churches to do their part in
these matters is much more often due to the neglect and/or resistance of the pastoral leadership than to any other factor.

4. “To supervise the work of the pastors in his district and counsel with them concerning their pastoral responsibilities, continuing education and other matters affecting their ministry and personal life. He shall be available for counsel with each pastor’s family.” No other “duty” of the superintendent should ever take priority over the pastoral ministries stated or implied in this section. In this connection I want to express in bold terms my personal rejection of the oft-repeated statement, “You can not trust a district superintendent.” This is fiction. I have served with (or under as you like) fourteen superintendents. Some of them have been helpful to me and some have not. The responsibility in either case was not all theirs. If they were pompous, authoritarian, judgmental, always in too much of a hurry for anything I needed, careless with confidences, before they were appointed to a district these shortcomings were visible to a more critical constituency on the district. But I have not known anyone who became a different kind of person when he was appointed a superintendent. One reason for this (as I regard it) fictional reputation superintendents have been given is that, working the “givens and the possibles” of imperfect church members, imperfect ministers, and our own imperfect and inadequate selves, it is simply impossible to arrive at perfect combinations.

5. “To appraise the needs and opportunities of churches within his district; to evaluate fields of labor; (help churches to close when they have reached the end of their usefulness in mission) and within an ecumenically responsible perspective to initiate new forms of ministry.”

This means being open to change. A form or style or custom of any phase of ministry is not irrelevant because it is old or conventional, but neither is it relevant because it is new. In these days of rapid change we simply must tune in on what we are doing in every phase of the church’s life to see if anybody is listening and understanding and responding.

6. “To counsel with pastors and Committees on Pastor-Parish Relations concerning assignments and to consult with the bishop regarding the appointment of persons approved by the Board of the Ministry.”

I wonder whether the person who wrote this brief and simple statement did not know anything about the anguish connected with the appointment process or whether he had been so deeply involved in it that he simply could not bear to state it more in detail. Maybe neither. I am reminded here of a statement once made by Winston Churchill on the merits of democracy: “It is surely the worst possible form of government—except all the others that have been tried.” I believe more than ever that the appointment system is the best known procedure for bringing a congregation and a minister into a functional relationship with each other. A few honest conversations with ministers or laymen of other denominations will reveal considerable evidence to support this view. But let no one conclude that it is a simple or easy process.

The most difficult phase of the appointment responsibility is trying to make right decisions involving the vast majority of laymen and ministers who are doing all they can to be helpful. I implore each and every one of you to join me in supporting those who are and will be appointed to this ministry by our prayers and every cooperation we can give them. Be aware of the need of the bishop and members of his Cabinet for special help in the months preceding the Annual Conference session as they give themselves to “the appointment of persons approved by the Board of the Ministry”, as well as others who may be serving as “lay pastors.”

7. “To emphasize ministerial recruitment and education and to advise and encourage (or discourage if this seems more appropriate) candidates for the ministry.”

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In this as, in fact, in all phases on ministry and mission, the real work is
done in the local parish. Therefore we address this word to laymen and
ministers alike. The Church needs dedicated, trained and strong leaders. Most of
them will come through some contact with a local church. How long since one
came from your church? They must also come from families. But of all the
students in United Methodist seminaries two years ago, seventy-five percent of
them stated that they had been discouraged from going into the ministry by some
member of their own families.

I call your attention to one other word in this section and ask that each one
of you accept it as something you can do for your minister all his or her life, and
that ministers can and must do for each other. I refer to the word “encourage.” I
do not need to cite statistics to support my statement that there are a lot of
discouraged ministers around. And it may well be that the most deeply discour­
egaged have not, and may not, become “dropouts.” (Let no one interpret this as a
judgmental statement regarding those who quit the full time ministry.) Many of
these have fought long hard battles to stay in. Some of them are casualties of the
thoughtless but essentially cruel neglect of persons like you and me. Regardless of
how strong our faith in, and dependence upon, God may be, we desperately need
each other these difficult days. My dictionary states that “encourage” means “to
inspire with courage, spirit, and hope.” Let us, every one of us, “encourage” each
other in the work of our ministry in the spirit of Christian love.

This next is not listed among the “duties of a District Superintendent” but
with full assurance that I speak for my colleagues and brethren, I want to express
our deep appreciation for Bishop Washburn’s leadership. All of us are aware of
his competence in the skills of chairmanship and the enlistment of persons who
can carry out the mission of the Church. For those who are privileged to work
with him in the close and sometimes intense relationship on the cabinet, the deep
and abiding sense of Christian brotherhood which he helps us experience, mostly
by demonstration, means more to us than his fine skills. We are proud and
grateful that, in the workings of Providence, you, Paul and Kathryn, came to be
with us here in Minnesota.

10. Participate with the other district superintendents in submitting a report
to the Annual Conference reflecting the state of the conference and setting forth
recommendations along with other information pertinent to the operation of the
Annual Conference.”

Obviously this report has not followed this guideline too closely. We would
however like to set forth a few signs of hope and promise that stand out in bold
relief against some of the conditions in our society to which others will no doubt
refer before this conference is adjourned. About two years ago, several here
heard Alan Walker say, “Everywhere I go in the world I find a dearth of hope, a
loss of nerve, a sense of defeat among Christians.” We could name some even
better reasons for such a mood now than then. But the signs of hope and
prospects for a world which was created and is sustained by God are as valid as
ever. Let’s look at a few contemporary evidences.

Youth are on the march, and they are not going to be stopped until some
things are changed. War, for example, must be abolished if the values we hold
most dear are to prevail.

At our General Conference in St. Louis, the delegates voted to seat ten
youth delegates who were selected by the Council on Youth Ministries on the
floor with the privilege of speaking. The General Conference responded further
to requests of youth by giving them representation on all major boards and
agencies and youth-dominated committee to determine the distribution of the
youth-raised Youth Service Fund. Now it is up to us in the Annual Conference to
implement the recommendation “to eliminate the age twenty-one limit for
conference members and to give each district two youth members of Annual Conference.”

The increasing number and variety of ministries designed to meet the real needs of real people where they are is surely a sign of hope for a “servant church.” We would call especial attention to the ministries supported by the Fund for Reconciliation, and along with this, urge a more adequate response to this appeal than we in Minnesota have yet made.

The church must continue to bring information to help our people—all people—understand that the prevalence of poverty “in the shadow of our prosperous piety” is intolerable; that racism must be eradicated; that drug addiction, including alcoholism, can and must be cured. The Gospel is indeed “Good News for Modern Man” and we who claim to be followers of Christ must be more industrious in the business of implementing this “Good News” in terms of the needs of all God’s people. We dare not do less than is required.

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WILLSON ASSOCIATES MANAGEMENT STUDY

PERPECTIVE OF THE STUDY

The overall perspective of this management study of the Minnesota Conference of The United Methodist Church has been to assess the relationship of the “local church” to the “conference”.

By definition, the “local church” can be readily identified. It can be defined as a congregation of United Methodists, banded together as an institutional body, in a specific geographic location. The Minnesota Conference is composed of 456 such individual units, grouped into 317 “charges” for the purpose of ministerial assignments and for managerial or administrative purposes.

The “conference”, on the other hand, can be interpreted as having several different definitions.

1. One definition is associated with those resident at the conference offices in the Minnesota Church Center at 122 West Franklin in Minneapolis.

2. A second definition expands this to include the balance of the Cabinet, even though they are located at their residences throughout Minnesota.

3. A third definition extends No. 2 above to include the conference boards, agencies, commissions and committees of the conference.

4. A fourth definition would add the dimension of the “General Conference”, a somewhat unknown quantity, but nonetheless, an integral factor of which the Minnesota Conference is a part, and which has an impact on a variety of areas when considering both the local church and the Minnesota Conference.

5. A fifth definition is related to the “Annual Conference”, in this context referring to the general assembly of delegates and alternates from Minnesota United Methodism held annually in June.

We have outlined these various definitions of “conference” since they will be referred to within this report, but also because they represent the lack of clear
understanding of this terminology by the majority of United Methodist laity, and to a lesser extent, ministers of the Minnesota Conference.

Within the context of these definitions, our perspective of this management study has been aimed at assessing the relationship of the local church to the "conference" as outlined in the third definition noted above; i.e., inclusive of conference cabinet, program staff, Program Council, boards, agencies, commissions and committees.

Varying degrees of study emphasis has been placed on these relationships and the associated functions and responsibilities. Primary stress has been given to the Cabinet (both as individual district superintendents and as a group, including the bishop), the program staff, and the Program Council. However, because of the close inter-action of these groups with other officially designated organizational units denoted above, specific structural recommendations are made regarding boards, agencies, commissions and committees to facilitate the management of the entire conference.

An underlying question permeating the entire study is the concept of "connectionalism". As a basic tenet of The United Methodist Church, it has been assessed indirectly from the standpoint of the relationship of the local church to the conference. It should be noted here, and kept in mind throughout the reading of the report, that we have been concerned with the "connectional system"—its strengths and weaknesses; its needs and opportunities. We have emphasized this "message" wherever our examination has taken us. It is not an assessment of personalities, individual competences, "power pockets", or lobbies. The response to the context of this message has been uniformly positive. The attitude of concern and interest expressed by the many persons and groups with whom we have met has reflected only the desire to make the connectional system work effectively; thus to ensure a viable institution responsive to people's needs today and in the years ahead.

CURRENT MAJOR PRESSURES ON THE INSTITUTIONAL CHURCH

It would be limiting to assess the organization and operation of The United Methodist Church without injecting the perspective of the larger "community" within which it serves, and the resultant pressures which serve to inhibit or enhance the contribution that the institutional church does, can or should make to that "community".

In order to serve, the church must respond to individual and group needs; to respond, the church must understand those needs; to understand, it must listen as well as search for answers.

Among those pressures which seem to be exerting the most influence on United Methodism in Minnesota are the following (parenthetically, it might be noted that perhaps these pressures are also reflected in other denominations, but that is not our point of concern):

1. The current expression "doing your own thing" is not limited to the youth of our churches or the youth of our society. The essence of lay and ministerial opinion, based on our surveys, stresses the ability of the local church to determine how best to serve its membership and the local community at large in which it resides. This is not a rejection of connectionalism; it does indicate the necessity for evaluating the various expressions of connectionalism represented by organization structure, functions and programs.

2. A corollary pressure stems from the increased level of education, shared knowledge, understanding and sophistication represented in both the laity and ministers of United Methodist congregations throughout Minnesota. Wherein there are (and will continue to be) differences in the level of formal educational training, particularly among the laity, the communica-
tions vehicles at work in our society provide a significant common denominator in terms of exposure to the daily events and activities in both secular and religious life. The implications of this fact has a direct bearing on The United Methodist Church; in addition to the desire for more “local” initiative, there is the reverse reaction to a high degree of “directive” planning from centralized authority, modified by the nature of that direction and its effectiveness and application to the local situation.

In brief, the content and approach of direction from a centralized authority must be determined in a participatory framework, not in a vacuum which represents a “directive” approach.

3. The United Methodist Church is faced with a presently high and increasingly competitive position for the time of its members—lay and ministerial alike.

There is a slowness in the institutional church to recognize that a church member is serving his or her role as a practicing Christian where involvement in community affairs—e.g., scouts or analogous youth groups; welfare organizations; political activity; et al—usurps the time previously devoted to “church” affairs.

Further, the church is no longer the center of community activity as it once was, even in out-state, non-metropolitan areas. In addition to “local competition” from schools and other secular organization, television provides a viable option to attending a church program or a church meeting; the ease of travel to larger centers of activity—for cultural, athletic or entertainment purposes—also provide viable options.

The essence of this pressure is the type of organized church involvement expected of the layman. Thus, a major problem in The United Methodist Church stems from its over-organization; the volume of “meetings”, for example, many of which are non-productive. This tendency permeates the organizational structure of The United Methodist Church from the “local” level to the “conference” level. To many laity and ministers, the term “involvement” means attending meetings, not necessarily making a constructive contribution to “witnessing” the message of the church.

In brief, “organization” in The United Methodist Church has tended to become an end in itself, not a vehicle for performance.

4. A fourth pressure, inextricably woven with those previously mentioned, has been the “dehumanization” of the church organization. This does not imply a lack of concern for one’s fellow man, but rather the mood of United Methodists suggests something less than a uniform “climate for commitment”.

There is a deep concern that The United Methodist Church is applying its resources, both financial and human, to administrative, planning and other managerial tasks which speak more to the perpetration of the institution than teaching the brotherhood of man and the message of Jesus Christ. Later in this report we speak of the trend toward denominationalism expressed through ecumenicity, a force which, from our assessment, is as strong or stronger in out-state areas than in the metropolitan areas. This pressure reflects the concern that an institutional church body makes a constructive contribution “where the action is”—on the local scene. This does not imply a de-emphasis on denominationalism, but it does express a new form of denominationalism—an effort to create a “local climate for commitment” in which both laity and minister can see tangible evidence of their efforts and find satisfaction in identifiable results.
The size of an organization—both in terms of numbers of participants and geographic dimensions—has a severe impact on the degree of dehumanization in any large organization. In this context, the organizational structure of The United Methodist Church in Minnesota has not kept pace with the growth in numbers (of members) nor, to a lesser degree, its geographic dispersion. The traditional linkage embodied in the connectional system has contributed to the breakdown in human relationships within and between the parts of organization. In the process, The United Methodist Church, as an organizational entity, has grown less responsive to people within its “body”, and dehumanization has been the result.

We address ourselves to these pressures as we explore the needs and opportunities for change available to The United Methodist Church in meeting the challenges of the 1970’s.

ROLE OF THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

Our use of the word “role” herein is all inclusive. From one perspective, it deals with the categorical duties, responsibilities and authority of the district superintendent. From a second perspective, it also deals with the methodology, techniques and relationships of the district superintendent, or in essence, the manner of executing and implementing duties, responsibilities and authority.

Both aspects have been assessed, and conclusions reached. Our review has been conducted on the premise that it was necessary to assess the role of the district superintendent outside the Discipline definition of his duties in order to determine the real needs and opportunities open to this office. We have then applied our findings to the disciplinary requirements in order to make our recommendations meaningful and adaptive.

The Connectional Relationships of the Superintendency

“Connectionalism”, as a principle of United Methodism, is most frequently identified with the office of the district superintendent. Within that context, the two most tangible evidences of this relationship are symbolized by:

1. The appointment function of the district superintendent, i.e., recommendation for appointment of ordained ministers to a church or a charge in the Minnesota Conference, with actual appointment made by the Resident Bishop.
2. “Calling” and serving as presiding officer of the Charge Conference of the local church. Although a declining symbol or function, this is the second major manifestation of the role of the district superintendent.

These two activities can be also defined as the strongest current evidence of “vertical connectionalism”. It speaks to the linkage between the “conference” and the “local” church institution. There is little evidence of the understanding of or opportunity for “horizontal connectionalism”, which might be defined as the connectional relationship between all 456 United Methodist churches throughout the conference. The best evidence of “horizontal connectionalism” might be represented by the bishop’s Cabinet, composed of all eight district superintendents, and as a group, emphasizing that connectional relationship “across” the conference.

The reasons for emphasizing connectionalism in an assessment of the role of the district superintendent are straightforward:

1. Traditionally, ecclesiastically and structurally, this office has served as the link between the bishop, the church at large and the local church.
2. Today, and in the future, those appointed to this office have the opportunity to re-establish the validity and creativity of the “link”, but only under significantly changed conditions and criteria.
It must be re-emphasized at this point that our assessment, conclusions and recommendations relate to the system, not to present or past incumbents of these offices. Only in this way could we, and can the conference, deal with this segment of the conference organizational structure.

**Conditions and Criteria for Change**

There are four major areas which must be assessed in remolding the role of the district superintendent:

1. Redefinition of the priority of responsibilities for these offices.
2. Restructuring of geographic areas served by the district superintendent.
3. Recognition and identification of the differences between districts, and the implications of those differences on the functions and relationships between the district superintendent and the district.
4. Recognition that the office of district superintendent is a unique and distinct position, with select responsibilities and duties requiring specialized talents and training.

As noted previously, we have examined the district superintendency from the perspective of the men presently occupying these offices, through personal interviews, and from the perspective of the local church, through the mechanisms of questionnaires, open hearings, and selected representative church studies. Our findings and conclusions follow.

**Disciplinary Guidelines**

The *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church (1968) outlines the “Duties of the District Superintendent” in Section X, ¶354.1-12.

While specific in tone, the latitude of interpretation of these prescribed duties by individuals appointed to this office tends to make it a highly "personalized" office in terms of priorities, leadership style, and judgmental interpretation which may not be in the best interests of the office, the conference or the local church. Our findings lead us to the following conclusions:

1. **Priorities**

Certain priorities must be established as to the primary utilization of the working hours of the district superintendent. Some of these priorities are established by a reordering of the prescribed duties; others must be determined by joint decision of the bishop and the individual district superintendent; others must be determined in conjunction with the local churches under his ecclesiastical jurisdiction.

In so noting, we are speaking to the strong desire on the part of local congregations to restore the role of the district superintendent as a counselor and guide to both minister and laity within their district; to assist, but not direct, the local church in defining their mission as a single church, in a parish sense, or in an ecumenical context, through the injection of the broader perspective of the work of his entire district, and where applicable, the mission of the general church.

This also speaks to the request for consistency from appointment to appointment as district superintendents serve their tenure and pass their responsibilities to the next appointee. Consistency depends partly on defining priority of duties; it also must be reflected in the selection of men appointed to these offices, based on well defined characteristics amenable to performing the tasks outlined.

**RECOMMENDATION I**

We would recommend the following reordering of the duties of the district superintendent:

A. Pastoral-Laity Relationships
1. "... to (supervise)* the work of pastors in his district and counsel with them concerning their pastoral responsibilities ..." Sections of ¶ 354.4.

(* our interpretation of the word 'supervise' would be more appropriately expressed as 'guide')

2. "... to appraise the needs and opportunities of churches within his district; to evaluate fields of labor; and within an ecumenically responsible perspective to initiate new forms of ministry, mergers, yoked fields, and long range planning and the establishment and closing of churches, (in close coordination and counsel with pastors and congregations (laity) within his district)"* ¶ 354.5.

*(parenthesized additions are our recommended addition to, or at least, interpretation of this defined study).

As number one and two priority, the district superintendent works toward restoring his strong ties and relationships between himself, his pastors, and the congregations which he serves—not through directives, but through consultative and participatory involvement. He then will be in a better position, on a continuing basis, to exercise priority on duty number 3.

3. "... to counsel with pastors and committees on pastor-parish relations concerning assignments and to consult with the bishop regarding the appointment of persons approved by the Board of the Ministry.” ¶ 354.6.

This duty should not be viewed as one to exercise only in a time of crisis or conflict; it must be exercised as a continuing program of building relationships and understanding of needs and capabilities. If not, it becomes a barrier to performance, not an assist.

It is further recommended that, in conjunction with the above, it be adopted as a policy guideline that the district superintendent devote 70% of his working time to these three priorities, which in our opinion, constitute both the criteria and conditions for making the office of district superintendent a viable element of the connectional system of The United Methodist Church.

B. Administration

Prior to recommending additional priorities, under the category of "administration", presentation of some conclusions are in order as a preface.

—our findings lead us to conclude that the Charge Conference or the Annual (local) Church Conference no longer serve the purposes for which they were originally intended. They are viewed, in the majority, as an item of traditional protocol, not as an opportunity for communicative dialogue. The district superintendent will provide a more meaningful service by concentrating on the three priorities identified above, plus flexible scheduling of informal conversations that a highly structured reporting session does not provide. Ministers and laity alike expressed little concern over the district superintendent meeting with parishioners on an informal basis, even without the pastor’s knowledge, although common courtesy would prescribe informing the pastor of such a visit and suggest his involvement. This, of course, implies a sensitivity on the part of the district superintendent as to when and where this is possible, but it also suggests another vehicle for building relationships. (Reference, ¶ 354.2)

—The role of the district superintendent as "... administrator of the Conference Program ... (and) ... to urge financial support for all Conference and denominational causes" places him in direct conflict with the priorities 1 and 2 noted above if these items are an area of emphasis in implementing his role as counsel and resource to the local church.

Conversely, if it is the perspective of the district superintendent to
determine ways and means for adapting the conference program to a district, or more particularly to a local church or charge, then he is both "administering the Conference Program" (to be discussed later in this report) as well as interpreting it realistically to the local level. This may appear to be a subtle difference, but it is a meaningful difference.

Further, our findings lead us to conclude that "urging financial support" is essentially a communications problem. While the local minister is, in the end, the communicator who establishes the need for his church or parish to support these causes, the district superintendent must also establish the need to the pastor, not as a directive, but as a justifiable program which the laity is asked to support.

The "Climate for Commitment to Conference Causes" connotes communication—our study strongly indicates that such communication is undergoing severe testing as to its effectiveness. This should be a natural point of conversation between district superintendent, pastor, and laity if an ongoing communicative relationship has been established between all parties involved.

Also, from an administrative standpoint, to correlate "... encourage adequate salaries for pastors, and to promote a concern for continuing education for ministers ..." (¶ 354.3) seem out of context with the "administration of the program of the Church (and) its support" (paraphrased). Salary and education concerns are subjects related to the functions noted in priorities 1, 2 and 3 above, particularly 3, and should be recognized as periodic agenda items for such counseling sessions.

Finally, from an administrative standpoint, the Discipline does not refer to a series of specific activities which consumes a sizeable proportion of the working time of a district superintendent. Those activities are attendance at meetings, conferences, and similarly convened group sessions in which he serves as a participant, a representative, a consultant, or simply to gather information. This imposition has markedly reduced the "district" effectiveness of the office, and served to detour his physical presence from the district as well as limiting the organizational and spiritual guidance which he seeks to provide and is charged to provide.

Consistent with these conclusions, we make the following additional recommendations regarding Priorities:

4. "To administer the program of the Church within the bounds of his district in cooperation with the pastors and the Charge Conference (laity) ... and to (identify and communicate the need) for financial support of all conference and denominational causes."
   (parenthesized items are our additions or interpretations; ¶ 354.3)

5. "To (recruit ministers for the Conference) and to advise and encourage candidates for the ministry"
   (parenthesized items are our additions or interpretations; ¶ 354.7)

6. To be assigned to or required to be a member of boards, agencies, commissions, external to the conference only where it is deemed reasonable for him to serve as a consultant on specific matters requiring his expertise, or where he is to serve as a decision-maker on a continuing basis.
   (our addition; not now provided for in the Discipline)

C. Legal Duties

We would assess that ¶¶ 354.9, 354.10, 354.11 and 354.12 are reasonable duties which must be discharged and are properly vested in this office, and are interpreted as a delegated responsibility.
No "legal" priorities have been defined since these represent periodic responsibilities, to be performed largely "on call". However, it does identify one of several factors which are unique to this Office, and as such, should be recognized as requiring special orientation, if not specialized training upon assumption of the Office of District Superintendent.

2. Leadership Style
A few comments related to leadership style follow, primarily to amplify what has been previously expressed.

The office of district superintendent is a highly sensitive position—sensitive in the sense of needing to be responsive to ministers and laity alike who are within his district; sensitive also in terms of needing to guide without directing, and to urge without promoting.

This demands a "leadership style" which emphasizes consultation and participation. Yet it also requires initiative. The district superintendent must seek to initiate the type of relationship we have defined above; our study has identified the need for increased initiative by the district superintendent in this matter.

CONFEREICE DISTRICT STRUCTURE

The type of rule ultimately prescribed for the district superintendent has a direct bearing on the number and structure of districts within the Minnesota Conference.

Had not the need for an "on-the-scene" counseling style of district superintendent been a point of major concern, particularly in out-state areas, the requirement for tailoring the number and size of districts to accommodate that type of ministry might have varied from our conclusions and recommendations below. Variations to its need are reflected in the next section of this report.

It is our conclusion that to successfully implement the redefined role of the district superintendent outlined above, district size and geographic orientation must be revised. To leave the districts as they are presently structured would be equivalent to blocking the first step toward achieving the goals of the revised office.

It is imperative that these criteria be met regarding district structure, through proper weighting of these criteria to provide for a balanced work area.

1. the number of churches within the proposed district.
2. the number of ministers associated with these churches.
3. the number of members in each congregation.
4. the location of each church within selected radii from a central point in the proposed district.
5. the total geographic area included in the proposed district.
6. a geographic region limited in mileage from a central point to permit a parish or church visit within a normal work day or less.

A second conclusion relates to the structure of the district in terms of demographic information available (with ease) for analysis. From our observation and discussions, such information must be developed locally through surveys, or researched from various data sources that may relate to a particular community or region. This is an expensive and exhausting process if approached with serious goals; it is also poor utilization of manpower who, at best, are semi-skilled in research techniques; also, it is expensive in the sense that it detracts from the time which could be devoted to analyzing, interpreting and relating that information to the community, region, church, et al. Finally, it is probably less than accurate, having to be partially constructed from raw data, and partially from multiple sources with different bases.
What we are identifying here is the need for the information base of socio-economic data which is standardized, readily available, and related to a consistently, uniformly prescribed geographic area.

REGIONAL ECONOMIC DISTRICTS

The 1969 Minnesota State Legislature adopted the concept of regional redevelopment throughout the State. As a result, it also approved the creation of 11 regional economic areas.

The primary "objective criteria" for delineating the economic regions were these: (1)

- reasonable similarity in both demographic and employment characteristics;
- location and accessibility of regional centers and sub-centers;
- relative homogeneity of agricultural and industrial composition;
- present focus of state department and agency office locations;
- location of present and planned regional research, service, and educational centers.

In discussions with state government departments and agencies, the present status of the program is as follows:

- the placement of transitional counties will be resolved before the end of 1970, and firm regional lines will be established and approved by the governor by that date.
- future collection and dissemination of various types of statistical data from all state government departments, as well as smaller governmental units, will be based around the economic regions.
- the federal government will also recognize, upon final approval by the state, these economic districts as the basic units for collection, processing and publication of federal statistical data related to Minnesota.

With this strong evidence of the availability of a ready-made information base, its potential value is obvious. Its use for assessing the socio-economic needs of districts and their relationship to the United Methodist churches, planning for future ministries to respond to growth patterns in urban areas or shifts in population characteristics in other geographic areas, and numerous other applications support the creditability of adopting these economic districts as the district structure for The United Methodist Church in Minnesota. Figures 1 through 4 present specific reference material on these regional systems.

Minnesota Economic Regions
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Figure 3
Overlay maps showing determinants of State Regional Centers

- Selected State Regional Centers

Urban Area
Largest City in Region, 1960
Wholesale Trade Center
Site of 4-year college
Site of Jr. College
Location of largest Number of State office Locations
MINNESOTA REGIONAL SYSTEMS, Total Population within Specified Radii of Identified Regional Centers and Sub-Centers.

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Gross population within 45 miles of Regional Centers only: 4,744,088

Further, we have examined the application of the tentatively established economic regional boundaries to the dispersion of local churches and charges within the Minnesota Conference. Table 1 (which follows) presents our tabulation of the distribution and realignment of churches when applied to the above concept. The treatment of the seven county metropolitan area as one district of the conference is discussed in the next section of this report.

It is our conclusion that the criteria for the determination of district boundaries are met by this regional system and that, in addition, The United Methodist Church will be able to plan, analyze, and evaluate in concert with other organizations—governmental and non-governmental, and concurrently have access to established information sources and information flows.

**RECOMMENDATION II**

A. We recommend adoption of the eleven legislatively established economic regions to serve as the statistical base for all planning and analysis activity within the Minnesota Conference.

B. We recommend adoption of the eleven economic regions as the basis for the district structure of the Minnesota Conference, each, or in combination, to be managed by a district superintendent.
The composition, size and dispersion of these districts are shown on Table 1. Detail data providing the basis for this Table is provided in Appendix A.

This district structure will require the appointment of two additional district superintendents, plus a Director of Metropolitan Parishes, responsible to the district superintendent of the Metropolitan District. Specifically prescribed duties and responsibilities other than those covered in Recommendation I, and which are essentially unique to a specific District, should be developed.

We have some concern about recommending the new District 1, due to the limited number of churches (see Table 1), even allowing for the geographic size of the district. Alternatives to a full-time district superintendent for this district should be explored.

Also, we have concern over new District 10. It appears to be on the borderline as to its managability, in the context of the role of the district superintendent. It is suggested that the viability of this being covered by a district superintendent be examined closely prior to a decision on these lines.

**TABLE 1**

**DISTRIBUTION DATA RE PROPOSED MINNESOTA CONFERENCE DISTRICTS**

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The remainder of the districts, however, appear to be good balance, and consistent with the criteria prescribed.
We are content with the proposal for the Metropolitan District. We believe both it logical and workable.

C. We recommend a policy commitment be made by the Cabinet to initiate an assessment of the potential expansion of the "parish" concept throughout the Minnesota Conference. It should be examined from both a denominational and ecumenical standpoint. Local churches are already pursuing this approach to "mission" vigorously; the Cabinet should serve as a leader and develop appropriate policies regarding this approach, and to provide assistance—spiritual and organizational—to exploration of these vistas.

DISTRICT CHARACTERISTIC DIFFERENCES

We recognize that the redefined role of the district superintendent will not meet complete approval, nor does it necessarily reflect a unanimous demand for this concept of the role. Considering the range and variety of our surveys, however, there is surprising uniformity in the message supporting this type of a role.

There are exceptions to what, up to this point, has been outlined as an "all-purpose" definition of duties. While it does serve as a base, we must acknowledge and handle two major exceptions.

First, the large church (membership and several staff) is more self-reliant, if for no other reason than the ministerial staff have each other to serve, in part, the counseling role prescribed for the district superintendent. In this setting, the district superintendent serves, to a degree, in a counseling or guidance role; however, his major contribution might be as a resource person through his contacts, inside and outside the conference, or through ministerial recruitment.

These "exception" situations apply to the "large church" anywhere in the conference. However, the "large church" is the exception rather than the rule even in the metro area, but yet the metro area itself has characteristics which set it apart from other districts. This is the second exception:

Our perspective of metro is reflected in three groupings:

1. the "downtown" and "inner-city" church grouping, which varies widely in services provided and type of parishioner participating;
2. the "suburban" or "residential area" church grouping, essentially serving a relatively limited radius of families residing in that area;
3. the "semi-rural" church grouping, or to use a coined word, "rurban", located beyond the suburbs, in many cases small communities for whom the distance gap between city and town is closing.

In this setting, the church has a more versatile and volatile district unit through which the superintendent must function. We would urge recognition of these unique characteristics:

1. the "larger downtown" churches and their relationship to the district superintendent has been discussed above; relatively autonomous, the district superintendent can rely on their own competence and capability, requiring only periodical involvement.
2. the "inner-city" church(es), once strong and independent entities, now respond to a different ministry, without substantial resources, and look to the central church for assistance.
3. the "suburban" or "residential area" church, while somewhat self-contained and self-reliant, tends to seek its guidance and inter-action from peer churches, either United Methodist or other denominations. The proximity of the district superintendent by telephone should reduce the pressure on him to assure personal visits are imperative.
4. the “rurban” church has most of the characteristics of similarly sized and
located churches outside the seven county metro area. Hence, the “basic”
role applies directly.

In these situations then, we conclude that the district superintendent must re-
order district priorities to provide for adaptation of the counseling/guidance role
where it is most applicable—the inner-city and the “rurban” groups. Both groups
are adaptable to the “parish concept”, provided there is a realistic commitment
made to their support—spiritually and financially—once such parishes are estab-
lished. Within the parish framework, the district superintendent can perform his
“basic” role.

In brief, we conclude that the scope of these unique characteristics require
variations in the organization of the Metropolitan District.

RECOMMENDATION III

We recommend that:

1. the “parish” concept be adopted as a strategy for serving the inner-city
   and “rurban” church groupings,

2. to provide specialized resource leadership for present and proposed par-
   ishes, establish an Office of Director of Metro Parishes, subordinate to the
district superintendent. Basic criteria for this position would be: special-
ized training in parish organizations; an ordained minister; previous ser-
vice and experience in both inner city and smaller community ministeries.
The district superintendent’s primary work areas to be:
   a. adapting his “basic” role to “downtown” and “suburban” churches;
   b. assisting the Director of Metro Parishes, primarily through developing
      policy and strategy;
   c. participating in community organizations and programs.

Under these guidelines, we believe the Metropolitan District can be served
by one district superintendent, assisted by a specialist in parish development and
administration.

UNIQUENESS OF THE OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

We choose to take issue with the prevailing view that this office is an
enlargement of the ministerial role in the local church. While there are some
analogies, we believe it is significant to recognize that there are more differences
and unique aspects, most of which have already been identified.

RECOMMENDATION IV

In this perspective, we recommend that upon appointment to the office of
district superintendent, the appointee be required to participate in a series of
academic-type courses directly related to his new duties. These courses would
include the following subject areas:
   —counseling techniques
   —motivation
   —leadership
   —administrative practices
   —policy development
   —church law
   —organization theory

This series of courses could be scheduled on several bases, but to be
completed within a time limit of three months after appointment.
In addition, the retiring district superintendent, in conjunction with the bishop, should provide for a well-planned orientation period of no less than one day, or more than three days, in order to provide for a limited "on-the-job" orientation, and to provide for an orderly transfer of responsibilities.

It is our view that the role of the district superintendent is sufficiently unique to merit this investment.

THE ROLE OF THE PROGRAM COUNCIL

Our assessment of the laity's understanding and the ministerial evaluation of the functions of the Program Council, and the utilization of the priorities and guidelines generated through its efforts, reflect rather low scores on both counts. Among the major critical emphases are these:

1. the composition of the council is not representative, at least to the degree that it permits ideas to flow upward from the local church through to the council.
2. the conference program has only limited application to the local church.
3. the program emphasis is urban-oriented; as such it may be useful information, but not adaptable to local needs.
4. shifts in program—priorities, emphases, content, schedules—are too frequent for the local church to absorb, adapt and apply; the result is overlap or uncompleted programs.
5. the time span between program development by the Program Council and implementation by the local church is too lengthy; the 'punch' has been softened by time.
6. there are few alternatives in an approved conference program which provide for local church adaptation to its unique needs—rural or urban; educational level variations; differences in economic status; et al. Result is an ambivalent attitude to the conference program by the local church; in most cases, programs are 'round-filed'.

These reactions suggest both a credibility gap as well as a communications gap.

Conversely, from our assessment of the functioning of the Program Council and the executive committee through participation in their regular and/or special sessions, we conclude that the practical working relationship between the boards, commissions and agencies of the conference does not function smoothly, due in part to uncertainty as to how much and what kind of guidance these agencies should or can expect from the Program Council preparatory to their input of specific program recommendations.

Further, the lack of prescribed priorities assigned to the wide range of functions outlined in ¶ 841.10 (see Table 2) of the Discipline leads to operational paralysis by attempting to treat each with equal importance.

The question of need for a Program Council at all is an underlying concern among many lay and ministerial members of the Minnesota Conference. These questions are asked: do we need a "Conference Program"?; of what relevance is it to the local church?; does the "Conference Program" speak to the real issues, or are they created because a "Conference Program" is a requirement?

To each and all we would respond positively, but with some reservations. There is a need for a conference program, in order to provide a focus throughout the connectional system.

Its relevance to the local church is in question, primarily because the communication lines are so entangled with red tape that the results of the long process of evolving program emphases contributes to the lack of credibility when the task is completed. It becomes a "headquarters" thrust.
From all the evidence, the “issues” or subjects selected as program emphases are real, but their reality is submerged by lack of adequate communication to the local church as to why they were selected. Further, the lack of viable options to select an emphasis which might be pertinent to the local church creates the impression that it must seek to incorporate all of the emphases into the local church program planning for a given church. This is interpreted as a “directive” which is not well founded, either in the sense of local church interest, resource availability, or time availability to achieve those goals.

Finally, our research has identified that the Program Council should be redesignated, or be concurrently identified, as the Conference Council on Ministries. It is our view that the creation of this new organ by the General Conference as a part of the reorganization of the local church is extremely well conceived and represents a perceptive organizational design. Further, it has been well received by the local churches, and brings into focus the necessary emphasis on program at the local church level, and provides an effective vehicle for ensuring performance. If The United Methodist Church in Minnesota is to maximize this tool in the local church, it needs a recognizable counterpart at the conference level. Part of the rationale for this is psychological—to create a recognition that this part of the organization is also connectional. A second part of the rationale is to provide for a realistic organizational base for coordinating and implementing conference program. At present, boards, commissions and committees essentially operate in their own sphere with periodic corroboration at the Program Council level. Serving on the Program Council as a “representative” is not analogous with holding a portfolio of responsibility identified as a key “ministry” role in the Council on Ministries. The sense of union and commitment is explicit in the Council on Ministries concept; it is only implicit (and frequently absent) from the concept of the Program Council.

In brief, the lack of a Conference Council on Ministries is symptomatic of an organizational problem within The United Methodist Church—it only goes “part way” toward instituting changes in the system, which leads to partial success, or viewing it negatively, partial failure, in achieving the original objective.

The relationship of program staff to the Program Council is examined in the following section of this Report.

RECOMMENDATION V

A. We recommend the continuation of the Program Council, in the context of the central program planning and coordinating agency of the Minnesota Conference, but with the provision of a re-ordering of its priorities relating to functions and activities. We have selected three functions which, in our opinion, represent the primary responsibilities to which the Program Council must direct its efforts, which must be implemented annually in the sequence outlined, based on the Discipline, ¶ 841.10:

1. “to study the mission of the Annual Conference and the local churches of the Conference and to determine program priorities and emphases which will assist the Conference and the local churches to perform their mission. (10a)”

2. “to receive program recommendations from the local churches, the District and Annual Conference agencies, and the Jurisdictional and General Program Councils, to evaluate these recommendations, and to formulate a coordinated Conference program to be presented to the Annual Conference for consideration. (10c)”

3. “to study and coordinate the budget askings of the Conference agencies as they relate to Conference programs and to make recommendations in accordance with the procedure set forth in the standing rules. (10j)”
As corollaries to these primary responsibilities, the following Discipline designated functions would be executed as follows:

4. “to provide for this implementation and administration of the program adopted by the Conference. (10d)”

This requirement is met by delegation as follows:

a. re the local church, through the District Superintendent, as a part of his “basic” function (see Recommendation I).

b. re Conference transmission of educational and/or promotional materials, through the Conference Director of Communications (see Recommendation VI).

c. re training programs, either of a subject nature (e.g. worship) or organizational, through the Conference Director of Training (see Recommendation VI).

d. re Conference-wide program implementation, through the appropriate Conference or District Board, Commission, or Committee.

5. “to give leadership in research and planning for the Conference and to cooperate with other research and planning agencies. (10h)”

“to describe, coordinate, and organize opportunities to serve within the mission. (10b)”

In our view, these activities are synonymous with execution of the three primary responsibilities noted above.

B. We recommend the redesignation or concurrent designation of the Program Council to be the Conference Council on Ministries. The rationale for this recommendation has been outlined above. Functions and responsibilities are unchanged. The structural implications are as follows:

1. The chairman of the Program Council becomes the chairman of the Conference Council on Ministries.

2. The chairman or presidents of conference commissions, committees and boards are also designated and assume the equivalent role of work area commission chairman consistent with their present position (e.g. the president of the Board of Missions is designated “Missions Work Area Commission Chairman”)

3. Age level coordinators for the conference would need to be appointed. These would be unpaid positions, except where they may be filled by a salaried staff person.

4. Other conference committees, commissions and boards would relate to the Conference Council on Ministries as they relate to the local church Council on Ministries.

a. “to interpret the Conference program to the local churches with a view to gaining the financial support needed in order to implement that program. (10k)”

This is already prescribed for in the Discipline in the Duties of the District Superintendent (§ 354.3). We have discussed this facet of the role of the District Superintendent and its implications in Recommendation I.

b. “to provide program resources and assistance in program planning and implementation in local church. (10e)”

“to provide channels of communication between Annual Conference agencies and local churches. (10g)”

These functions cannot be adequately performed by other than an individual whose responsibility it is to concentrate on communica-
tion techniques and actual transmission of resource materials. These functions should be locally delegated to the Conference Director of Communications.

c. "to provide for staff personnel for implementing and administering the Conference Program. (10f)"
The Executive Committee of the Program Council (or Council on Ministries), acting as a Personnel Committee, serves the function of recruitment, selection (with consultation), and salary administration of Conference Staff. This should continue, but in the context of serving this function for clerical personnel and the staff designated in Recommendation VI.

D. We recommend modification of the following statement to make it consistent with the above:

"the Council staff shall be responsible, in cooperation with the district superintendents, for implementation of the Conference program (841.9b).

Modification:

"the implementation of the Conference program shall be the responsibility of the Conference Staff and the District Superintendents consistent with their designated responsibilities relating to Conference program."

While we recognize this is a disciplinary change, we feel it is necessary if such a statement would stand and be misconstrued.

THE ROLE OF CONFERENCE PROGRAM STAFF

Our examination of the role of the conference program staff has been done in depth, with the program staff—as individuals and a group—and outside it.

Our conclusion is that the context within which the role of these individuals was cast originally was ill-conceived. Over the years since inception, the basic errors have been compounded. The present expectations of tasks to be planned and performed by the staff is only exceeded by the structural obstacles which must be overcome prior to successful achievement of objectives sought.

In this climate, we believe the present professional staff is to be commended for each individual’s dedication, perseverance, competence and sense of mission. Their contributions and services have been many, but they are clouded from visibility by the obstacles originally created.

We believe that the concept of conference staff service in subject areas (e.g., worship, mission and social concerns) is not justifiable as a conference staff function under the “umbrella” of “program”. It does not relate logically to the designated duties of conference boards, committees and commissions.

Neither does the Discipline provide for any specific designation as to how the staff is to be organized. Hence, additional duties have been added to the staff (e.g. staff assignments to districts), which creates a demand for multi-functional knowledge if the role is to be properly and responsibly executed.

We believe that if salaried staff personnel are required to provide for full-time program implementation, guidance and coordination, it should be the responsibility of the specific board or commission to employ such staff personnel under their direction. This relates to such functions as are now represented on the program staff. Specifically, these include the subject areas of worship, education, social concerns, higher education and campus life, missions, evangelism, and youth and camping.

We recognize that these conclusions have a historical precedent; i.e., this approach has been applied previously in education, particularly. However, it is our opinion that if full-time salaried staff assistance is necessary to service a particular subject area from the conference level, such as education, or youth and camping, or missions, then both the workload and economics of such a position should be substantiated by that board or commission. Without this direct accountability, it becomes “someone else’s cost”.

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This speaks directly to our Recommendation VI.

We have determined that a major share of the program staff’s workload relates to two areas:
1. Training
2. Communications

It is in these areas that we find a common ground which can justifiably be called a conference staff role.

Training is a continuing requirement for laity and pastor alike—a factor which has been underemphasized in the sense of it being an objective for the conference. The need for better trained lay persons—in the specifics of lay positions which contain functions unique to the church; the specifics presented in specialized seminars on worship, church school materials, church teacher training, social concerns issues, et al, is required. Similarly, pastors need and require a continuing educational opportunity, and this may be accomplished through both internal and external conference programming. This is a strong need, and should be recognized by appointment of a specialist in the training field.

Communications, or the need for it, abounds in the conference. From our research, however, it appears that it is questionable whether the right kind of communication has been utilized. We are not dealing here with personalized communication in the connectional system, which has already been dealt with in the role of the district superintendent. We are dealing with the written word and contemporary techniques, such as television, audio-visuals, etc. We are also dealing with resources as opposed to promotion—both are types of communication. This need is a strong one, and should be embodied in a specialist whose full-time responsibility is this range of conference communications.

Our exception to the rules we have outlined is stewardship. A Conference Director of Stewardship is required to serve local churches in two ways:

1. Assisting in the development of on-going stewardship programs applicable to the local church;
2. Assisting local churches in the conduct of finance and/or stewardship “drives” for budgetary purposes.

This is not a “coordinating” function; it is a direct service function, and as such can be best categorized in the same context as training and communications.

RECOMMENDATION VI

We recommend the reorganization of the conference professional staff as follows:

1. The establishment of a position entitled Director of Training. To meet the Discipline requirement, this position will also carry the sub-title of Conference Program Director, although the duties of that position will not be conducted as previously.
2. The establishment of a position entitled Director of Communications. His responsibilities, in large part, are represented in the defined duties of the Committee on Communications.
3. The retention of the present staff position of Director of Stewardship, but with a redefinition of duties and responsibilities as noted above.

These positions should be so defined as to have a consultative relationship with the Program Council (Conference Council on Ministries), as prescribed above, and with appropriate permanent boards and/or commissions of the conference, but with a line-of-command responsibility to the bishop.
INSTITUTE FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION
RECOMMENDATION VII

We recommend the establishment of an Institute for Continuing Education of the Minnesota Conference of The United Methodist Church.

This Institute, as we are proposing it, is not a physical facility. It is rather an attempt to focus on the training or continuing education needs for laity and ministers throughout the conference.

The course or seminar offerings of the Institute would be developed around expressed needs of local churches as well as from the needs of various elements of the conference organization.

It would seek to develop continuity of content, regardless of subject matter presented.

It would use, as instructors and lecturers, persons skilled in teaching the subject matter or techniques to be presented, based on the needs defined in the above process. These would be drawn from local, regional or national sources, from within The United Methodist Church or outside its staff and/or membership.

It would be a “floating” Institute, providing scheduled opportunities for continuing education at various locations throughout the state.

It would provide for repetition of programs during a year, so that laymen and ministers have an option to attend at their convenience, not at the convenience of the sponsor.

It could take the format of a year-round Institute, blocks of time during the year, or as a concentrated summer activity.

It would be the primary responsibility of the Conference Director of Training.

We believe this Institute would not only respond to a need, but do so in an exciting, innovative and constructive way.

CONFERENCE BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES
RECOMMENDATION VIII

We recommend a redefinition of the duties and responsibilities of each board, commission and committee of the Minnesota Conference, in order to eliminate duplication of activity, to provide a positive focus for the role each is expected to provide to the mission of The United Methodist Church in Minnesota, and to ensure consistency with other actions proposed in this report.

We have already referred to interaction of these groups with those organizations we were commissioned to study. Using this report as a base, it would seem appropriate for the Annual Conference to establish a task force to study these specific bodies.

STUDY PROCEDURE

Briefly outlined below is the procedure used for performing our research and analysis.

1. Interviews with each member of the program staff, each district superintendent, and the bishop.
2. Several group assessment sessions with the program staff; sessions with the executive committee and the full Program Council; and a session with the Cabinet.
3. Discussions with State of Minnesota officials regarding state planning.
4. Development of questionnaires and analysis of responses from approximately 1,600 mailed, one-half to ministers and one-half to lay officials of local churches. Response was high, well above any normal standard; 50% from ministers and 30% from laity.
5. Held ten (10) open hearings, of 3 to 3.5 hours duration each, throughout the state; total persons participating: 225.
6. Examined 16 local churches throughout the state, meeting with both ministers and laymen to obtain their specific views.

In this process, we estimate having obtained the opinions and suggestions of over 2,000 United Methodists in Minnesota.

Staff of Willson Associates participating in this study were:

Dwight D. Peterson, Principal Associate, who directed the study, conducted the majority of the research and analysis and is the author of this Report.

Paul N. DuVal, Senior Associate, who assisted in the interviewing and in the questionnaire development.

R. A. Willson, Principal Associate, who assisted in the development of the study framework, and periodically in evaluating, objectively, the data and information compiled and its analysis.

**PROGRAM COUNCIL—CONFERENCE COUNCIL ON MINISTRIES**

The Conference Program Council met to organize on the final day of the 1969 Annual Conference. The officers and executive committee members elected were chairman, Mrs. R. F. Haining; vice-chairman, Ray Boehlke; secretary, Donald Walkes.

**Lay Members:** Ralph Klinkerfues, Mrs. Erma Craven.

**Ministers:** Clemmet Peterson, Alex Ramos, Burton Passer.

Ex officio members of the executive committee: Bishop Paul Washburn, E. Russell Praetorius (Cabinet representative), Betty Jean Foster, Wilbur Grose, Floyd Bosshardt.

This committee has met monthly through the year. Action concerning personnel, preparation of recommendations for the total council and referred business from other church agencies are among the items acted upon by the executive committee.

The total Program Council has met four times during the year.

Committees named by and responsible to the council are:

- **Committee on Communications:** Wallace Green, chairman; Robert Stemme, Fran Faber, Larry Zimmerman, Howard Krueger, Duane Lunemann, Mrs. Paul Allen, By Napier, Marshall Genshaw.

- **Committee on Interpretation:** Dean Postlethwaite, chairman; Delmont Gordy, Mrs. Delburn Kurtz, Stanley Hanks, John Jakway, Mrs. Paul Lundeen, Emery Wallace, Marvin Andros, Reuben Lackey.

Three sub-committees were named by the chairman to work in areas of specific responsibility and bring recommendation to the executive committee:

- **Personnel:** E.R. Praetorius, chairman; Burton Passer, Alex Ramos.

- **Budget:** Lyle Schreiber, chairman; Ralph Klinkerfues, Betty Jean Foster, Donald Walkes, Gerald Young.

- **Program:** Clemmet Peterson, chairman; Ray Boehlke, Erma Craven, Norma Larson, Merle Dunn.

One of the functions of the Program Council as stated in the Plan of Union is “to give leadership in research and planning for the conference . . .” In an effort to perform this function, and following the plan voted by Annual Conference, the Willson Associates, Management Consultants, of Minneapolis were engaged to make a study of selected aspects of our conference organization.
Many hours of Program Council time went into this study, both as an object of study and as the body to whom reports were made. The completed results and recommendations were presented to the Program Council on March 18 and are now in the hands of all members of the Annual Conference, lay and ministerial. Careful and open-minded consideration must be given to the recommendations. More than mere professional competence went into the research and conclusions, for most of the work was done by a member of the firm who is also a dedicated United Methodist layman, Dwight Peterson. Mr. Peterson shared the concern of the members of the Program Council that we might find the best possible ways in which to function so that our goals for the church might be realized more fully.

The priority items—CRISIS OF FAITH, UNDERSTANDING AND RECONCILIATION and COMMUNITY PROBLEMS—named as emphases for 1970 were adopted also for 1971. All program suggestions coming to the Program Council from its member agencies were evaluated in the light of these priorities. Each new item was also measured by these questions:

a. Does it fit the program priorities?

b. Does it coincide with the calendar?

c. What about budgetary provisions?

d. Is it conference-wide, jurisdictional or general church level?

e. Is it essential?

f. To whom is the proposed program directed and who will give leadership?

This kind of probing resulted in the conference program recommendations for 1971.

In response to Annual Conference action, the December 11 meeting was a specially designated open meeting, at which time any persons or groups were invited to request time on the agenda to share their concerns with the Program Council. In addition, dates of all board and agency meetings were listed in the conference mailing, with the information that all such meetings are open.

It is the responsibility of the Program Council to recommend to the conference a budget for program areas. Budget requests were solicited from all conference boards and agencies, and hearings were held in a joint session of the World Service and Finance Commission and the executive committee of the Program Council on March 6. After consideration by the budget sub-committee, the executive committee and the total Program Council, the painful decisions were made and you have the results in the 1971 budget recommendations. It is important for all to realize that the balance between what we know to be our mission and the necessity for responsible fiscal planning is a difficult one to find. There is no one who enjoys the process of trying to weigh crying needs against monetary limitations.

Everything done in the Program Council is with the awareness of our need to serve the local church. All of us on the council are also working members of local churches, and bring that kind of "grass roots" knowledge and climate with us. However, we are also able, by reason of our special assignments, to see an over-all picture that is not always clear to the man or woman in the local church. We are keenly aware of our need to listen to the voice from the individual pew and pulpit, but we also plead for you to have listening ears, reading eyes and understanding hearts!

This Annual Conference will find two of the members of our program staff requesting the retired relationship. We wish to express our profound appreciation for the years of dedicated and skilled churchmanship and leadership that Wilbur Grose and Fred Smith have shared with Minnesota Conference.

I also want to thank the members of the Program Council and executive committee for their long hours of work and deliberation and their great good will and patience.

Mrs. R.F. (Kathleen) Haining, chairman
REPORT OF CONFERENCE PROGRAM STAFF

At the request of the Executive Committee of the Program Council, this composite report of the work of the conference program staff for the calendar year 1969 is herewith presented.

It was a year of transition. During the first six months the members of the Program Staff served in separate conferences but worked in close cooperation. Preparation for the Plan of Union required a major investment of time and leadership. Since the union of the two conferences in June 1969, we have been learning to work together as a united staff in the United Conference.

Responsibilities of the program director have included frequent consultations with individual staff members and a monthly meeting of the program staff. The program director has served in a liaison capacity with the Program Council including its Executive Committee and with the Cabinet. There have been periodic joint meetings of Cabinet and program staff.

Program and budget building through various stages have been a major responsibility.

Total Staff Leadership

The five members of your program staff assisted in preparation of documents in their respective areas of responsibility, for consideration by the Commission of the Plan and Basis of Union. All of us served as resource leaders in the Plan of Union hearings that were scheduled throughout the conference in April and May.

All staff members were involved in a program of training for members of Council on Ministries. One staff member, one district superintendent and one field worker represented Minnesota at the planning session in Nashville for a Regional workshop for which Minnesota was the host at Lake Koronis in September. Some 80 ministers and laymen from Minnesota participated. We see this as an example of the kind of cooperative enterprise needed—general agencies of the church, conference staff and cabinet, district volunteer workers and finally training for local churches. Although people came from five states to the Koronis experience with varied and to some extent contradictory expectations, the net effect throughout the conference we judge to be positive. We hope to see this followed up either annually or bi-annually with other kinds of training opportunities.

There has been a major involvement of staff time during this year meeting with Dwight Peterson, our conference Management Consultant, as he has been conducting studies of conference structure including program staff, Cabinet and conference procedures.

Under our major areas of responsibility we shall indicate our involvement as members of the conference program staff in the various phases of our work.

Relationship of Program Staff with Conference Boards and Agencies

The program director served as staff liaison with the Board of Christian Social Concerns. He met regularly with the Executive Committee. On May 23 he represented the board, presenting a position paper, at the Fraser-Karth Hearings on National Priorities in St. Paul. As our United Methodist representative to the Council on Religion and Race, he recommended and implemented double financial commitments from the various denominations in order to provide a sound financial base for this organization. Other programs with which he had involvement were the Washington Seminar and the United Nations Seminar. A major priority has been working with a Task Force on White Racism in preparation for conference-wide consultations—September 24 to November 1, 1970.

As staff liaison on the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs, the program director served as the consultant for the commission, as well as representing our
denomination in the Minnesota Council of Churches (Finance Commission and Christian Social Relations). He has also been a member of the Advisory Council of the United Theological Seminary.

He has worked closely with the Commission on Higher Education of the Board of Education in program and budget development and evaluation. Other responsibilities in this area included serving on the Board of Trustees of Hamline University and of Rust College. He also served on the Fund for Reconciliation Publicity Committee.

The associate program director’s responsibility for the year 1969 was unique among the staff, since the first half of the year his function was across a broad span of activity as the one (E) staff person and thus related to a large number of units working toward the union in June. A tabulation for the first six months of the year indicated he participated in no less than 58 meeting occasions with the two conference involvements; 16 additional in (E) mission and church expansion and 11 in (E) education and 4 in ecumenical activity.

The associate program director has a relationship with the Board of Missions that did not exist prior to the union of the two conferences. As the program staff person in Outreach, he has a relationship to the Board of Missions by disciplinary appointment by the bishop, becoming the executive secretary (¶ 363.1) and also the conference missionary secretary (¶ 363.2); hence the executive-missionary secretary title. In this relationship, he performed the function formerly carried on by Stan Hanks and also had the portfolio responsibility of Church Extension, formerly carried by Frank DeCourcy. In the bringing together of the former Church and Community Commission and the Metropolitan Coordinating Commission into one section of the Board of Missions known as “Parish and Community Development”, the associate program director had a new staff relationship in these areas.

Appointed by the bishop as conference secretary of evangelism with its disciplinary responsibilities, he has served as staff in this relationship, as well as on the Commission on Enlistment for Church Occupations. As a former EUB staff on the Program Council, he functioned many times as a liaison related to the fields of education, church extension, capital facilities, program and finance.

He served on the executive committee of the Fund for Reconciliation and as an interpreter to the churches.

The director of nurture and communications had staff responsibilities for the Board of Education, Commission on Worship, Committee on Communications and the Board of Ministry.

He has worked closely with the Commission on Worship for the whole of 1969, as commissions of the two conferences united in advance of union. This commission sponsored workshops on contemporary music at St. Johns at Collegeville, on “Crises in Worship” at Northfield and on the “Use of the Visual in Worship” at Duluth. The commission edited an “Anthology of Contemporary Worship Materials,” mimeographed and distributed by the nurture office. Workshops were planned for lenten worship during January of 1970.

As liaison staff person in communications, he has worked with the commission in re-organizing according to the new Discipline, and subsequently worked with each of the four sub-committees: (1) Audio-Visual, where all the audio-visual libraries were brought together into the Church Center; (2) Public Relations, where plans have been developed for a conference newspaper and other P.R. features, the TOGETHER Area News was written and edited and news releases distributed; (3) TRAFCO, where work was done in cooperation with the chairman of this sub-committee in developing radio spots and recordings, and where arrangements were made to have several United Methodists appear on the John Gallos TV show on Sunday mornings; and (4) Person-to-
Person, where, with the aid of representatives from four other agencies, plans have been developed for some dialogue/retreats.

As staff person with the Board of Ministry, he has worked with the continuing education committee.

The associate director of nurture has had responsibilities in the areas of Youth Ministry Council, the Board of Education, Camp Council, Camp Boards of Management, Enlistment Commission and the Committee on Voluntary Service of the Quadrennial Emphasis.

The Youth Ministry Council involved three council meetings plus conferences with the council president and administrative work of the council. Two new programs of the council were initiated—the Isle Royale Trail Hike and the European Travel Seminar.

In the Board of Education, he had a specific relationship with the Local Church Section, Family Life Council and was a staff member in the general area of education.

In his work with the Camp Council, the associate director of nurture attended two two-day meetings, met with eight district committees of camping to establish the 1970 camping calendar, attended 16 meetings with the boards of management of our campsites, gave leadership to five sub-committees of the council to implement the Plan of Union for 1970, provided leadership training for the Crow Wing River Camp (a new program), gave Boundary Waters canoe training for local church leaders and initiated a Conference on Summer Activities for all camp leaders, local churches and districts. In addition to assisting local churches in their own camp program, he recruited and hired core staffs for Star Lake and Camp Koronis. He developed the conference camping brochure which has been mailed to over 25,000 children and youth; he gave presentations at the annual meeting of the W.S.C.S. and at the United Methodist Men's Congress.

Under his direction a "campership" program for needy children and youth has been developed. He personally led the Isle Royale Trail Camp and gave directions to the Boundary Waters Canoe Camp as well as providing complete outfitting for both programs and administering conference-owned equipment for this specialized type of camping.

All program and management personnel at Star Lake are under his direction. Through his leadership a number of innovations in camping have been initiated. In the absence of year-around personnel at Star Lake, he is the administrative officer for its Board of Management.

As staff liaison person on the Commission on Enlistment, he has attended commission meetings and has been responsible for the recruitment, training and evaluation of the Vocational Involvement Program.

The director of stewardship worked with the following boards and agencies: Board of Laity, Board of Trustees, Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission, Board of Health and Welfare, Minimum Salary and Mutual Aid, Special Gifts Ad Hoc Committee and Fund for Reconciliation Committee.

As a member of the Board of Laity, he has carried out the stewardship program for 1969 with assistance of other board members, cabinet, conference staff and others. Included are these highlights: (1) Conference Stewardship School at Little Falls with 16 laymen and 21 clergymen in attendance and (2) local church seminars in seven cities involving approximately 250 local people. He worked with conference lay leaders in the re-organization of the board and, activating Stewardship and Finance Commission under the Plan of Union, arranged and held meetings, prepared material and acted as coordinator for the board, took part in the United Methodist Men's Congress at Owatonna and Purdue and at several district retreats, planned the stewardship program and
proposed budget for 1970 and 1971 and presented it to the Board of Laity and Program Council.

As an agent for the Board of Trustees, he worked closely with the treasurer, legal representatives, tenants and others in the management and maintenance of conference insurance, legal proceedings and properties. He has attended eight board meetings during the year and has served as advisor to the Investment Committee and Insurance Committee of the board and carried out other assignments upon request.

He coordinated the development of the “Christian Service Fund Story” book and promotional materials. Approximately 8,000 books were distributed through local church meetings and mailings in 1969 to help interpret how and where apportionment dollars go to work.

For the Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission, the director of stewardship handled all correspondence and fee collections through his office. He served as liaison between commission, local churches, district superintendents, unions, district boards of church location and building and staff representatives of the Board of Missions. He has met ten times with local church groups in this connection, has served as temporary treasurer of the Minnesota Methodist Foundation and served as liaison for them with churches and individuals.

He has represented the staff at meetings of the Board of Health and Welfare, served as finance committee chairman in late 1969 and developed and arranged for printing and distribution of Golden Cross posters and mailings with cooperation of board and institutional members.

He represented the staff at meetings of Minimum Salary and Mutual Aid Commission, and he served as convener in 1969 of the Special Gifts Ad Hoc Committee, where he developed and published the plan which was presented to the Uniting Conference to be incorporated into the stewardship program for 1970 and 1971.

The director of stewardship was elected by the conference to serve on the Fund for Reconciliation Committee. Here he served in a publicity area and arranged for speakers and materials during 1969.

Relationship with Districts

A joint meeting of the Cabinet and staff decided that the assignment of program staff as liaison to districts would strengthen our total ministries. The assignments were: Donald Germain, Northeast; John Espie, Northwest and Southwest; Floyd Bosshardt, Central and Metro-East; Wilbur Grose, Metro-North and Metro-South; and Fred Smith, Southeast.

Members of the program staff served as resource leaders at the 23 sub-district training sessions for local church Council on Ministries members, in which 1,722 United Methodists participated during the month of October.

The program director participated in three consultations on the Northeast District to interpret the Christian Service Fund. The director of nurture acted as a resource leader at three sub-district workshops on the Northwest District on “Pastor-Parish Committees” which were planned in 1969 and held early in 1970. The director of stewardship counselled with district superintendents and lay leaders about stewardship programs, meeting with the district council and superintendent of two districts and providing resources in this area. The associate director of nurture gave leadership at District youth rallies and District ministers’ meetings.

Service to Local Churches

The program staff members prepare and submit resource materials to the program director for coordination and for inclusion in the conference mailing,
ten issues of which were sent to pastors, lay leaders and other local church leaders.

All members of the program staff have served in response to invitations from local churches in consultations and training sessions with local church leaders. They have responded to numerous invitations to serve as guest preachers in the churches of our conference. They have frequently consulted with pastors and laymen in their local churches, in the conference offices and by phone.

The associate program director gave guidance and direction to the completing of the Normandale Hylands Church and also devoted a major block of time during the year to the property purchase and construction of the Pilgrim Church in Plymouth Village. Most of the correspondence and interviews in the office were related to the promotion of special support for missions and in giving assistance to the itineration of missionaries on furlough to the churches of the conference. The production of the "Minnesota in Mission" booklet, which was distributed to all local churches to help in their mission giving, was prepared by the associate program director. He shared in the preparation of the missionary montage which contained pictures of our United Methodist missionaries from Minnesota and was distributed throughout the conference.

The director of nurture met with several building committees and architects and provided field service, through a team of workers under the general leadership of Mrs. Russell Hubbard.

The associate director of nurture conferred with youth and adults in ten local churches and gave camping presentations in 17 local churches.

The director of stewardship accepted invitations from local churches for 92 consultations, presentations and training sessions. This also involved some cluster group work with the church that invited him as host to others in the area. During 1969, through the stewardship director, Warren Schultz was trained and continued to give his outstanding service as a consultant in stewardship matters in the local churches. Alvin C. Meier, in a similar capacity and in cooperation with the Board of Missions, directed a successful campaign for Forest Lake Church to underwrite a new program and building. (The church exceeded goal by 10% and doubled giving!)

Office

The program director is responsible for the operation of the United Methodist office, with specific duties delegated as follows: Betty Jean Foster, supervisor of clerical personnel and Peggy Reko, administrative secretary. On the full time secretarial staff are Mae Olson, Alice Greer and Grace Carlock, with Vida Dorn and Joyce Woll as part-time secretaries.

We were saddened, in the closing days of 1969, by the sudden death of Mrs. Fran Thaxter, who had been the office receptionist for the past ten years. Letters were sent to all United Methodist pastors in Minnesota, encouraging applicants for the position. Laurel Toy, of St. Charles, was chosen and is serving effectively.

The office is able to answer many requests by phone, mail or drop-in for help such as choosing curriculum, audio-visuals, resource books, worship suggestions, missionary speakers, camping inquiries, stewardship resources and ideas, youth seminar information and confirmation training.

On the Job Training

In keeping with the policy of the Program Council, members of the staff were encouraged to participate in training and enrichment experiences. During 1969 the program director availed himself of the following opportunities: National Fellowship of Conference Directors of Evangelism in Kansas City; the National Council of Churches Regional Consultation in Des Moines; and the Conference of Program Directors of The United Methodist Church in Chicago.
The associate program director attended four meetings with the Bishop's Linkage Group in New York to keep abreast of urban events across the nation, a meeting at Nashville to train for Council on Ministries workshops and a meeting with COSMOS representatives to understand the world mission involvement of the church.

The director of nurture attended during 1969 the National Council of Church's section on Christian Education in Chicago; National Camping Association meeting, also in Chicago; the Northland Recreation Leaders Lab which included an emphasis on human relations; the United Methodist Conference on Education Ministries in Chicago; a Graduate Group Dynamics Lab at Camp Iduhapi; three workshops on worship sponsored by our own conference; and in-service observation and training at Wesley Counselling Center in Minneapolis.

The associate director of nurture received on-the-job training at the Convention of the American Camping Association of which he is a member, the Northland Recreation Lab, the United Methodist Conference on Educational Ministries and Graduate Group Dynamics Lab.

The director of stewardship is affiliated with the National Association of Church Business Administrators and as such, met several times with seminars on stewardship here in Minneapolis, as well as attending the national training event. He attended the General Board of Laity training for stewardship directors in Chicago in February 1969 and the Annual Conference Schools on Stewardship.

General church agencies

The program director served on the Rust College Board of Trustees and as a member of its Executive Committee, and as an officer of the National Fellowship of Conference Directors of Evangelism.

The associate program director served as chairman of the Minneapolis Regional Personnel Committee of the General Board of Missions in its interviewing responsibility with missionary candidates, served on the Jurisdictional Program Council, and as a member of the Entertainment and Program Committee for the General Conference in preparation for the St. Louis Special General Conference session and the Atlanta Quadrennial session.

The director of stewardship served as a member of the coordinating committee for the Regional Consultation for Conference Directors of Stewardship, and made a presentation to the General Board of Laity at the February 1969 workshop for the Conference Board of Laity.

Conclusion

We have endeavored to give an account of our stewardship as your conference program staff. It is our hope and prayer that the achievements of 1969 have provided a foundation for continuing cooperative ministries to the people of Minnesota through The United Methodist Church.

We express deep appreciation to our co-workers in local churches; to our competent, dedicated, and cheerful secretaries; to the Program Council, the district superintendents and to Bishop Washburn.

Wilbur D. Grose—Program Director
Floyd E. Bosshardt—Associate Program Director
Fred M. Smith—Director of Nurture and Communications
Donald L. Germain—Associate Director of Nurture
John C. Espie—Director of Stewardship
The viability of a program, whether designed for a local church or an annual conference, is demonstrated when that program celebrates life as God's gift and reveals by word and action the love which is so vividly portrayed in the life of Christ. For this to be effected in the lives of people, the church must take from its past those treasures without which it would be impoverished. It must also be heroic enough to admit when it is milling around in outmoded structures of the past and set itself to the task of developing new structures and programs.

It is to this end the following program is proposed for 1971 to the Minnesota Annual Conference:

Rationale: This program is divided into five sections.

**SECTION I** establishes the priorities.

**SECTION II** consists of four major concerns with which every local church and conference board and agency should deal in 1971.

**SECTION III** lifts high priority calendar items designed to help accomplish the major concerns of Section II.

**SECTION IV** consists of recommendations from boards and commissions.

**SECTION V** is a calendar of new and ongoing events which are significant programs of the continuing ministry of the church.

**SECTION I**

The Priority of the Minnesota Conference shall be:

- The Crises of Faith
- Reconciliation
- Community Problems

**SECTION II**

The church as the affirmative body of Christ must be involved in new, expanding, changed and existing ministries. Therefore, major effort shall be placed in the following four areas of concern:

a) The local church Council on Ministries shall make a determined effort to become aware of areas of alienation within the church and within the community.

b) The local church Council on Ministries shall assume greater responsibility in establishing program objectives and initiating meaningful and effective programs in the local setting.

c) The boards and agencies of the conference shall create or participate in programs which will effect reconciliation within a particular board, between boards and agencies, and they shall attempt to be sensitized to the areas which they are serving.

d) Special effort should be made to establish and maintain effective lines of communication from the local church to the conference and from the conference to the local church.
### 1971 CONFERENCE PROGRAM WORK SHEET

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2. Reconciliation
3. Community Problems

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<td>Learn how to apply theological principles to life of persons and church</td>
<td>Bring people into a setting where this can happen—Stewardship schools</td>
<td>Jan. 29-30-31, February 5-6-7, 13-14-15, 19-20-21</td>
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<td>Intra-board sensitizing to alienation within the board, to build bridges between persons</td>
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**OBJECTIVE (Why)**

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<td>Strengthening relationships within our conference by encouraging understanding and respect among our ministers in a convocation experience.</td>
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<td>Continue the Voluntary Involvement Program (VIP) to give young adults an opportunity to understand and experience active involvement with creative ministries in Camp, urban, rural church and community settings. Enlist youth and plan employment</td>
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<td>An opportunity to meet, think and dialogue Ministers' Convocation</td>
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**AGE GROUP OR FAMILY**

- Adult-Youth

**SOURCE (From Whom)**

- Commission on Worship
- 1 & 2 Commission on Enlistment
- 142 Board of Evangelism
1971 CALENDAR

JANUARY
7 Executive Committee—Program Council
9 Central and Southwest District Corporation Annual Meeting
13 Conference Staff
18 Board of Pensions
18-19 W.S.C.S. Conference Executive Committee
19 Board of Trustees
20 Urban Department Meeting—Board of Missions
23 Youth Ministry Council
25 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission
26 Section on Local Church of the Board of Education
26-27 Board of Ministry
27-28 Cabinet
28 Higher Education (evening)
29 Higher Education (all day)
29-30 Ecumenical Affairs Commission
29-30-31 STEWARDSHIP SCHOOL—Southwest District

FEBRUARY
1 Lake Koronis Assembly Grounds Board
4 Executive Committee—Program Council
5-6-7 STEWARDSHIP SCHOOL—Southwest District
5-6 Star Lake Board of Management
8 Commission on Enlistment for Church Occupations
10 Conference Staff
13-20 WASHINGTON SEMINAR
13-14-15 STEWARDSHIP SCHOOLS (1) S.W. District (2) Metropolitan Area
14 RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY
15-16 Camps and Conferences Committee
16 Board of Education
16 Board of Evangelism
19-20-21 STEWARDSHIP SCHOOL—place to be determined
20 Communications Commission
22 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission
22-23 Board of Missions
23 Worship Commission
24 ASH WEDNESDAY—LENT BEGINS

MARCH
1 Budget Askings In
1-2 Cabinet
4 Christian Social Concerns Board
5 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
10 Conference Staff
11 Executive Committee—Program Council
13 Executive Committee—Board of Laity
16 Board of Trustees
17 Program Council (on budget)
18-19 Cabinet
21 ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
24 Urban Department Meeting—Board of Missions
29 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission

APRIL
1-2 Cabinet
7 Conference Staff
11 **EASTER SUNDAY**
13-14 Board of Ministry
15 Executive Committee—Program Council
16-17 Ecumenical Affairs Commission
16-17 **CONFERENCE ON EXTREMISM**
17 Youth Ministry Council
19 W.S.C.S. Conference Executive Committee
19-20-21 **CONVOCATION ON THEOLOGY OF WORSHIP**
20-21 **W.S.C.S. ANNUAL MEETING—Mankato**
24-25 **THIRD ANNUAL CONGRESS FOR MINNESOTA UNITED METHODIST MEN**
26 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission

**MAY**
3-4 Cabinet
8 Lay Life and Work, Stewardship and Finance Section Meetings
    Board of Laity
10 Board of Pensions
12 Conference Staff
19 or 16 Special Sunday devoted to concerns of Health and Welfare
16-19 B.W.C.A. Canoe Training
16-19 **CONVOCATION ON MEDICINE AND THEOLOGY—St. Paul**
18 Board of Trustees
19-20 Board of Ministry
2nd and District W.S.C.S. Meetings
3rd weeks Urban Department Meeting—Board of Missions
19 Executive Committee—Program Council
21-22 Camp Koronis Training
24 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission
27-28 Cabinet

**JUNE**
1-2 Cabinet
1 Executive Committee and Board of Laity Annual Meeting
1 Annual Conference
15-18 **RETIRED MINISTERS’ DINNER—Annual Conference**
18 Conference on Summer Activities (Star Lake)
19 **REGIONAL W.S.C.S. SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION**
20 **W.S.C.S. CONFERENCE SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION**
21 **EUROPEAN YOUTH TRAVEL SEMINAR**
22-28 **SUMMER CAMPS**

**JULY**
5-11 **SUMMER ASSEMBLY—Koronis**
11 **ASSEMBLY SUNDAY—Koronis**
14 Conference Staff
20 Board of Trustees
20 **SUMMER CAMPS**

**AUGUST**
11 Conference Staff
14 Lay Life and Work Section, Stewardship & Finance Section—Board of Laity
30 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission
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**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The program of the Conference Board of Education is divided into three sections: the local church, camping, and higher education. Each section has its own chairman and a staff member who works with it. The report covers the calendar year of 1969. During the first six months the boards of the two former conferences were working together very closely but with separate budgets. Much detailed work was completed in preparation for the union of the conferences. During the first half of the year Bruce Buller was chairman of the EUB Board of Education and Paul Neal of the Methodist Board of Education. Since July 1,
1969, Clem Peterson has been the chairman of the United Board; Mrs. Betty Naas, the vice chairman; and Wayne Abdella, the secretary. The conference treasurer is the treasurer of the board.

**Section I: SERVICE TO THE LOCAL CHURCH**

This section and the four committees on Ministries to Children, Youth, Adults and Families met in January, 1969 to complete arrangements for the year and to project a 1970 program. These were all joint committees of the two conferences. In February two observation schools were held, one at Detroit Lakes and one at Mankato. The out-of-state resource leader was Rev. Robert Havens, assisted with several workers from within the conference. This practical kind of demonstration-teaching was very favorably received. In the fall of 1961 churches in the Rochester vicinity had similar opportunities under the leadership of Miss Elizabeth Suiter. Miss Suiter also arranged for a laboratory school for nursery and kindergarten to be held at Rochester. Although the lab school is held in 1970, the preparation for it and arrangements with two Nashville resource people were made in 1969.

One of the major services of the Section on Local Church was rendered through its voluntary conference and district leaders who participated in the training on the Council on Ministries held at Lake Koronis in September, 1969, and who later gave leadership in the district and sub-district meetings throughout the state. Out of this grew requests for additional service to neighboring local churches.

**Field Service**

For several years the Conference Board of Education has made available consultative service in the area of church school work by specially trained persons living at different places in the state. This made them easily accessible to local churches who also felt that these people understood the opportunities and problems of churches in that part of the state. This service was subsidized by the Board of Education to the extent of $3000 in 1969. It was under the general direction of Mrs. Russell Hubbard. This service is still available upon request to the district or conference office.

**Section II: MINISTRY THROUGH CAMPING**

Both of the conferences which came together in June of 1969 have a long tradition of camping. By the process of union all of the skills and leadership as well as the facilities of the two conferences were made available to the entire state and the program for both conferences was contained in joint publicity. The attendance at summer camps under the auspices of the conference or districts is only part of the story. Many local churches are providing special opportunities for their own children, youth, adults and families. In many cases the Conference Director of Camping has been responsible for providing training for local churches as well as helping them with their planning and equipment. In order to more accurately report this broader program, pastors were asked to submit a special report along with their Annual Conference report blanks. An analysis of these reports reveals the following:

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Grand total: 10,026 persons participated in some experience during 1969 representing the church out-of-doors for 56,796 days.

Not included are numerous local church family camps of various lengths.

Section III: CAMPUS MINISTRY THROUGH HIGHER EDUCATION

During the first half of 1969 a complete survey of the campuses of tax-supported colleges and universities in Minnesota was conducted by an ecumenical team. This idea originated with the Conference Board of Education and Rev. Bruce Buller represented us throughout the entire survey. In the last six months of 1969 the Committee on Higher Education and Campus Ministries was organized according to the new conference pattern. It considered formal relationships with the interdenominational "United Ministries in Higher Education." A committee on constitutions was recommended with Rev. Robert Ouradnik as chairman and other representatives named. The committee made budget adjustments for 1970 in the light of allocations from the Annual Conference. Communications continued with Hamline through Dean Charles Walker and Chaplain Donovan Hull who are members of the Conference Committee on Higher Education and Campus Ministry. Budget requests for 1970 were received from the various institutions and Wesley Foundations and year-end funds were allocated to campuses, salary and pension requirements for each campus. The committee noted growth of United Ministries on most of the campuses of the state colleges and at the University of Minnesota.

The program of the Conference Board of Education is of two kinds: (1) the ongoing program as it is found in the local churches week after week and year after year. We call attention to fresh materials available as curriculum resources and to shifting emphases in discovering how pupils learn and therefore how teachers teach. (2) The Conference Board of Education is ready to project whatever training opportunities are needed to assist the local churches to carry on their program. The board is also ready and anxious to cooperate with any other agency in the conference sharing its resources, leadership and experience in those programs which call for the skill of learning. Lasting changes in society will not be made unless there are changes of attitude, and this is essentially education. The board is organized under three sections:

A. Section of the Local Church

1 Children's work in 1971 will be concerned with the area of relationship, particularly relationships in the family. Workshops will be planned in locations where there can be cooperative participation. There will be parent discussion groups to help children grow into responsible adults. It is planned that the Council on Youth, Adult and Family will cooperate in children's work. Previews in curriculum resources, especially for new teachers, will be continued in each district as there is need.

2 Family life—There will be planned, in February 1971 in each district, a retreat experience for married couples. These will be held on weekends and with provided time for reevaluation and renewal for couples. All district Family Life Coordinators and wives would attend a similar retreat previous to the district retreats. A listing of resources in terms of material and persons in the area of family life will continue to be supplied through the conference mailing. The Family Life Committee
will be responsible for family camping in 1971 in cooperation with the Conference Committee on Camps. The committee will undertake to discover successful family life programs in local churches and to share these through the conference mailing.

3 Adult work—The Christian education of adults is the concern of the total church and the Conference Board of Education is anxious to share with other agencies in programs which challenge adults to grow in both their understanding and practice of the Christian faith. The chairman of the Adult Committee has been working with several other persons in developing some person-to-person retreats and other experiences as an agency of reconciliation among individuals with diverse interest and concerns.

4 Youth Ministry—The youth work of the conference is carried on under the auspices of the Council on Youth Ministries which is composed of both youth and adults. Since programs for 1971 must be planned and conducted by and for people who are not yet at the age of membership in the Council on Youth Ministries, it is difficult to project. The council is constantly evaluating and experimenting and can be depended upon to respond to needs as they see them.

That the conference direct the section of the local church of the Board of Education and the Council of Youth Ministries explore ways of changing the composition of the Council of Youth Ministries that it might more adequately represent the district interests.

The legislative committee requests that all of the education services available be listed and distributed to the Council of Ministries of the local churches.

We recommend to the conference that each district seriously consider having district youth rallies and that we encourage the local churches to participate in these rallies.

The conference recommends to the Council of Youth Ministry that it publish a bibliography of songs for youth and that a series of orientation sessions, orienting adult leaders and youth be planned.

B. Section on Camps

The section on camps undertakes to provide (1) training of leadership, (2) publicity and promotion and (3) facilities for the wide spread camping program of the Minnesota Conference. In addition it correlates both program and personnel for the camps which originate with age group committees or with local churches. The section attempts to anticipate trends and needs and respond to them. Examples of this in 1970 are specialized experiences sponsored by the council on youth ministries such as the “Action-Reaction” Camp to be held in the Twin Cities using church basements, the European Seminar and the increasing opportunities for trip camping by hiking or canoe. At Star Lake and Koronis in 1970 there will again be an employed program director and a core staff of specially trained college students as counselors. It is anticipated that this trend toward more employed program leadership will continue in 1971 and beyond.

Since the camping program covers the entire summer no attempt is made here to give dates and places for 1971. A questionnaire for local churches to use in reporting the extent of their participation in camping was mailed with the pastor’s report blanks for 1969. Accurate reporting will make it possible to present the annual conference a comprehensive statement annually, and to serve as a basis of evaluation of this phase of the church’s ministry.
We urge the Conference Council on Camping be encouraged to continue its efforts in producing a descriptive brochure and an audio-visual piece depicting camping styles available for United Methodists by spring 1971. Further, this material should be made available to all districts.

C. Higher Education

The United Methodist Church in Minnesota supports its continued relationships in campus ministry through the Wesley Foundations and in a growing way through United Ministries in Higher Education. On state college and university campuses we share united pastoral leadership, program building, individual ministry to persons who may be students, faculty, administration or staff persons. With our growing ecumenical commitment will need to come new forms of structure which enable greater sharing.

Our budget support for this cutting edge of our culture needs to be maintained in strong support. Our understanding of those persons who enter into ministry in these institutions of higher education need our continued communication.

We share with Hamline University. This continued relationship needs our support with concern and budget. Rust College in Holly Springs, Mississippi is also part of our concern in higher education. We endeavor to upgrade education for those persons in need of our sharing in this way.

Every local church needs to see its place in ministry to growing campuses. With the commuter student, the community junior college, the growing populations of students and faculty in state colleges and universities, we all share in this ministry. Creative activity needs to be ventured in every local church.

RESOLUTION: WHEREAS WE HAVE HEARD THE REPORTS OF CAMPUS MINISTRIES ON STATE COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES; AND

WHEREAS, WE UNDERSTAND OUR GROWING ECUMENICAL COMMITMENT AS DENOMINATION AND IN LOCAL UNITED MINISTRIES

WHEREAS, WE HAVE CONSIDERED THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTION FOR UNITED MINISTRIES IN HIGHER EDUCATION WHICH WOULD UNITE OUR MINISTRY WITH THAT OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN, UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, CHRISTIAN CHURCHES—DISCIPLES, AND MORAVIAN CHURCHES, AND

WHEREAS, WE RECOMMEND THAT AS AN ANNUAL CONFERENCE, WE BECOME COMMITTED TO THIS UNITED MINISTRY, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE RECOMMEND THE ADOPTION OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE MINNESOTA COMMISSION FOR UNITED MINISTRIES; IN HIGHER EDUCATION AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR WESLEY FOUNDATION AND UMHE BE CHANNELED THROUGH THIS NEW STATE COMMISSION.

RESOLUTION: WHEREAS, WE HAVE HEARD THE REPORT OF THE WORK AT HAMLINE UNIVERSITY AND HAVE SHARED SOME INSIGHT INTO HER PROBLEMS AND OPPORTUNITIES, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE COMMEND OUR CHURCHES TO THE SUPPORT OF HAMLINE UNIVERSITY THROUGH UNDERSTANDING THE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS FROM OUR
CHURCHES, THROUGH THE IMPACT WHICH SHE GIVES TO THE COMMUNITY OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND THROUGH OUR APPROVAL OF BUDGET SUPPORT

RESOLUTION: WHEREAS WE ARE DEEPLY AWARE OF THE NEEDS MET BY RUST COLLEGE AND SHARE THE DESIRE TO ASSIST HER IN DETERMINING HOW BEST TO MINISTER IN HIGHER EDUCATION, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED THAT THE CHURCHES OF THE MINNESOTA CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH BE REQUESTED TO GIVE FINANCIAL SUPPORT THROUGH THE RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY OFFERING, THROUGH ADVANCE SPECIAL GIVING, AND THROUGH THE BUDGETED SUPPORT OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

SUMMARY OF THE UMHE CONSTITUTION

The establishment of a State Commission of United Ministries in Higher Education would effect an amalgamation of the work of the state or regional committees on higher education of the United Methodist, the United Presbyterian, the United Church of Christ, the Moravian Church and the Christian Church, particularly as their work relates to campus ministry. Such a commission will probably eventually include the equivalent committees of the American Baptist and Episcopal Churches although it is not possible for them to enter at this time.

The proposed constitution creates a state body of representatives (up to 5) elected or appointed from each denominational body and representatives from each campus where a ministry is supported and organized. These latter representatives are selected by the local organization. Non-voting representation consists of the campus ministers, state denominational staff assigned oversight of higher education concerns, and national UMHE staff.

The Commission is charged with the responsibility on behalf of all the denominations involved to coordinate planning and resources for campus ministry throughout the whole state, to solicit funds from the denominational bodies it represents and distribute them as it determines will be most effective, to counsel local campus ministry committees and boards, to initiate the formation of new local boards, to interpret campus ministry to the denominations involved, to establish priorities and long range goals for campus ministry throughout the state.

The organization of the Commission is traditional with the customary officers, executive committee and task committees of personnel, business and finance, communication and interpretation, and philosophy, research and planning.

A state Commission becomes effective upon the ratification of the constitution by any two of the existing state agencies for campus ministry; the United Methodist, the United Campus Christian Ministry (currently representing Presbyterian, United Church, Moravian and The Christian Churches), the American Baptist or the Episcopal Committee on Higher Education.

An addendum to the proposed constitution sets forth guidelines which direct the new agency to create a ministry responsive to the total University (not simply students, faculty, or other segment), that is creative of a community and not just a staff position, that participates in the humanistic, secular movements of our time, that is program more than building centered, that respects the sacramental ministries of each denomination, and which respects existing relationships between local campus ministries and local congregations. Professional staff will be called according to the procedures of denominational polity of the person being called.
The United Methodist Committee on Higher Education wishes the freedom to negotiate the total number of denominational representatives on the Commission reducing the number from the amount approved by the United Campus Christian Ministry Commission. However, if it is necessary to have a large committee for the first few years to secure a level of trust in the operation, then the full size presently suggested is acceptable.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The following persons are recommended for recertification as Directors or Ministers of Christian Education: Constance Carothers, Kathryn Kenyon, M. Elizabeth Suiter, Betty Lee.

The following new persons are recommended for certification as Ministers of Christian Education: Dale Wordelman and Joyce Haberman.

The following persons are recommended for recertification as Ministers and Directors of Music: Monroe Bell, Muriel Hansen, Mrs. Roy Harris, Charlotte Krueger, Mrs. Wesley Kugler, Merrill Miller, Robert Scoggin, Pearl Shoemaker and Richard Waggoner.

Clem Peterson, chairman

HAMLINE UNIVERSITY

The 1969 report to the Minnesota Conference described Hamline University's decision to move forward in a ten-year development program with a price tag of 26½-million dollars. Members of the Minnesota Conference may rightly ask after the first year, "How are you doing?"

The answer: "Quite well."

(1) Almost three million dollars of new construction has been completed and is occupied. Three new dormitories, a heating plant addition, and a maintenance shop have been added to existing campus facilities.

(2) Four blocks of city street have been vacated, closed and added to the campus for expansion purposes and another two blocks (Ellis Ave.) have been partially vacated and restricted to no parking.

(3) Fifteen old houses have been demolished and a black-topped parking lot has been developed which accommodates 175 cars.

(4) Goheen Hall has been demolished (after 87 years of service).

(5) The Bush Memorial Library is under construction (estimated cost, equipped—$3,500,000).

(6) More than seven million dollars has been raised in new capital funding in the form of grants, gifts, pledges and federal financing. This is one-fourth of Hamline's goal in the first year of the capital campaign.

(7) Preliminary architectural planning has been authorized by the trustees for a new classroom building.

The clearest indication a college can have that its progress is noted and approved is the number of students who seek admission. Students and their parents who must pay a substantial portion of the rising cost of collegiate education cannot be fooled or misled. Education is much less costly at tax-supported institutions and only if value exists on campus can the private college hope to compete for capable students.

Hamline's freshman class in the fall of 1969 showed the largest percentage increase of any four-year coeducational college in Minnesota, according to the enrollment survey by the Minnesota Higher Education Coordinating Commission. In a year when a half-dozen private colleges and the University of Minnesota had decreases in freshman enrollment, Hamline made an outstanding record of attracting new students.
Freshman enrollment increased 3.5 per cent last fall in all of Minnesota's 54 collegiate institutions. Hamline's increase was 37.9 per cent, more than ten times greater than the average increase.

Members of conference will ask, "Who are the students coming to Hamline in increasing numbers?"

The 400 Hamline freshmen (83 per cent from Minnesota) are, first of all, very good high school students. Almost all of them (94%) come from the upper half of their high school graduating class and earned grades in high school of B or better (86%). Their parents have middle-class incomes (44% from 10 to 20 thousand dollars; 20% above 20 thousand dollars) and backgrounds (45% of their fathers have college degrees; 31% of their mothers).

They came to Hamline because of the excellence of its academic programs (more than half give this reason), its location in the Twin Cities, its size, and the friendly atmosphere on campus.

Finally conference members should ask, "Is Hamline worthy of our continued support?"

I know of only two directions from which the answer can come: need and/or academic excellence.

The small church-related undergraduate colleges are experiencing difficult financial days. Operating deficits are universally oppressive. Hamline was not able to balance its $3,724,205 operating budget last year by a $12,369 deficit amount. Obviously Hamline is not immediately hurt by such a small deficit but after many years of a balanced budget the financial squeeze of inflation is painfully evident for the first time.

The academic excellence of Hamline has been reported so often to the Minnesota Conference that it scarcely needs repetition. By every objective standard (60% of the faculty hold the Ph. D. degree) Hamline is a quality undergraduate college and is steadily improving.

If quality undergraduate liberal arts education is to exist outside the mammoth tax-supported educational complex, then Hamline and its hundreds of other sister colleges merit support. That support must come from private foundations, from business and industry, from loyal alumni and friends and from the concerned related church at increasing levels.

The United Methodist Church is studying the meaning of church-college relatedness at the national level as it affects 130 institutions and at the state level as it affects one institution, Hamline. Such study is important and meaningful for the future. But the practical challenge today on church-related campuses is the struggle for sufficient support to operate.

May it not be said that when the colleges needed their related church the most, they were financially rejected. The colleges were founded by men and women of greater faith, commitment and vision than that.

Rather, let it be said that when the small church-related colleges in America cried out for help, an answer came from an understanding and sympathetic church: "Here am I."

"In their small and friendly communities, in their emphasis upon excellent teaching, in their care for the whole person, in their stress upon creative traditions and the total campus environment, the church-related colleges bring to the nation priceless possibilities for changing the whole direction of higher education." —1969 Yearbook, United Methodist Church

I proudly present a developing Hamline University to the Minnesota Conference for understanding commendation, prayerful concern and willing support.

Richard P. Bailey, president
COMMISSION ON ECUMENICAL AFFAIRS

A. Ecumenism is the outreach of the church beyond its own structure in every phase of its function; thus is a part of activity engaged in with other religious bodies. It is an enriching adventure which is growing and will become increasingly important as United Methodists join with the other denominations in the study and evaluation of the Consultation on Church Union during the coming two years.

B. The commission met in January and May for two Friday afternoon and Saturday morning sessions to conduct business and study. The executive committee met as required and meetings of commission members present at conference workshops were also held.

C. District representatives of this commission have prepared a presentation on current and existing ecumenical programs and involvements in local communities in their districts.

D. Recommendations were made as follows:

1. That the district superintendents inform ministers on their districts of the ecumenical nature of campus ministry, asking them to make use of their students in the interpretation of campus ministry to local churches and that the superintendents include the names of campus ministers who could serve as resource persons. The suggestion was added that churches be encouraged to use their Ecumenical Affairs Commission in this interpretation.

2. That the conference support the denominational share of 17¢ per member for the Minnesota Council of Churches by $24,000.00 and that we also support our share of the Coalition Budget in the amount of $10,000.00. This $10,000 is to be pro-rated to the five areas of concern as listed by the Council of Churches.

3. That $2,000.00 be our commission expense budgeted for 1971. The designation of the budget to be left to the discretion of the commission.

4. That registration and expenses for Minnesota Council of Churches Assembly delegates be paid as much as possible to the annual meetings.

5. On recommendation of Bishop Washburn who is a member of the "COCU" Council, we recommend that every local church enter into a serious study of the COCU "Plan of Union" beginning in the fall of 1970. The commission also advises that this study be done in the local church before entering into studies or discussion with other churches or denominations.
6. Be the instrument of communication of all the ecumenical projects, agencies and councils of which The United Methodist Church is a part.

7. Help to find ways, guidelines and evaluations of new endeavors as they arise:
   a. Compilation and dissemination of experience in ecumenical parishes and ministries and a list of resource groups.
   b. Provide information and help for those who wish to enter into ecumenical ministries or parishes, eq lists of resource group and past experiences.
   c. Study the requirements of the Discipline which cause problems in regard to ecumenical relationships.

8. Help keep all other commissions aware of their ecumenical function and feed the new materials to them as they become available.

Mrs. Arthur O. Hoistad, chairman

COMMISSION ON ENLISTMENT AND CHURCH OCCUPATIONS

1. Continue the Voluntary Involvement Program (VIP) to give the on-coming generation an opportunity to understand and experience active involvement with creative ministries in camp, urban and rural church and community settings.

2. Establish and maintain effective rapport with high school counsellors, enabling them to intelligently place church occupational possibilities before the students with whom they counsel.

3. Make deliberate efforts to broaden adult understanding (in the commission and outside) of youth's viewpoint and understanding of the church and its vocational needs.

4. Keep youth informed on current opportunities for serving in the name of Christ in a wide and comprehensive range of positions and places.

5. Channel helpful information in this area of concern to pastors through district leadership.

THE BOARD OF EVANGELISM

1. Strengthen relationships within our conference by encouraging understanding and respect among our ministers in a convocation experience.

2. Undergird the evangelistic thrust of our churches by creating occasions when the proclamation of the Word is central at large gatherings.

3. Assist pastors and lay people to become effective agents of change in personal and community life through developing pastoral exchanges in preaching, teaching and witnessing.

4. Seek to bridge the gap between generations by a week-long Christian community experience in a semi-camp environment.

Recommendations

A—The Council on Ministries in each church shall

1—Make a study of what evangelism is referring the Council on Ministries to the New Testament and appropriate materials of the General Board of Evangelism.

2—Ask: Are we doing the job? How can we do it better where we are: Among children, youth and adults?

3—Consider which of the following methods could be used in the local church and use those best fitted to their local situation: New life missions, lay witness evangelism, music evangelism and visitation evangelism and/or seek to be creative in finding and using new effective means of evangelism.
Continued production of announcements for radio.

Ministers' Convocation this fall.

For the Annual Conference sessions: Love feast each morning; booth with literature, tapes and filmstrips which will enable you to better do the work of an evangelist in your home community.

Call on each minister, each conference executive and district superintendent to look upon themselves first of all as evangelists, the bringer of the good news.

Pray for each other. Jesus said, "You are my disciples if you love one another." We need to undergird one another with our prayers and deep concern as we work on the various committees and boards that we might, as a conference, be a miniature of God's kingdom of love in order that we might more effectively proclaim the good news of God's love in word and deed.

The title of our board indicates that our primary concern is the proclamation of "good news"—the good news of God's love and concern for man which has been revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. We deeply believe that this proclamation must permeate every facet of the church: our worship, our missions, our Christian education and our Christian social concern. Therefore, we look upon our work as being closely connected with these other areas. When a hungry man is fed in the name of Christ, this is a part of proclaiming the good news of God's concern. When this person is educated, this also can be a part of proclaiming the good news of God's love. But when the educated, well fed man states, "Life is an unpleasant interruption of nothingness which I would not willingly inflict upon anyone," somehow this man has missed a dimension of life that feeding his body and educating his mind has not fulfilled. This points out the bankruptcy of man without spiritual resources. How many people today are affluent in every area of life except the spiritual! How much people need to know the good news that there are spiritual resources available to enable them to live triumphant, victorious lives!

Our great goal is to bring people to live in response to God's love for them and for all mankind. Our basic proclamation always needs to be "God so loved the world." We must ever invite the response, "If God so loved us we also ought to love one another."

Evangelism Review

During 1969 the Board of Evangelism played an important part in bringing together the ministers of the United Conference in a convocation experience at Hillcrest Church in Minneapolis, an experience which dealt with the "Crisis of Faith" in our world today.

Earlier in the fall representatives from the board attended the United States Congress on Evangelism held in Minnesota and caught the new sense of commitment which evangelism has made to meet the racial and social needs of our day.

The United Methodist Council on Evangelism held at Cincinnati in January was attended by four representatives from the board. Tapes of addresses given by Bishop Gerald Ensley, Leighton Ford, Jim Doughty and Maurice King are available from the conference office. They deal with the new direction in which leaders of evangelism are thinking today.

The Board of Evangelism supported the production of short spot announcements which are to be played on local radio stations. The Lay Music Evangelism program, supported by the board, was used in many congregations.

Through Program Council direction the board, in consultation with youth and age group coordinators, is conducting an experimental ministry in inter-generational Christian living to be held July 6-12 at Lake Koronis. Youth, ninth
grade and older, and concerned adults will explore the Christian faith in depth through discussion, expression and celebration of that faith. Among those in leadership will be Bishop Paul Washburn and Dr. Joe Yeakel, General Secretary of the Board of Evangelism.

On the concluding Sunday, a large assembly (between one and two thousand United Methodists within a few hours travel time of the assembly grounds) will be called together to witness to their faith and hear an outstanding guest leader's challenge to Christian living.

Richard R. Smith, chairman

BOARD OF HEALTH AND WELFARE MINISTRIES

The Board of Health and Welfare Ministries had a significant year in 1969, orienting itself to the new structure provided by General and Annual Conferences and its goals and objectives. District representatives and administrators and chaplains of hospitals and homes make up our board.

The Board has a liaison function between the Annual Conference and six institutions. These include two hospitals: Rochester Methodist and Methodist in St. Louis Park; and four homes for the aged: Walker, Minneapolis; Watkins, Winona; Lakeview, Fairmount; and Brookside, Montevideo.

The board also has a concern outside the walls of institutions wherever there are health and welfare needs. A few such areas are foster homes for children and youth and care of mentally retarded.

A continuing concern of the board is the formidable factor of public funds in the field of health and welfare, particularly federal grants and loans. One can hardly move in the health and welfare field without involvement with public funds. While issues are the prerogative of the Board of Christian Social Concerns, services are on our agenda.

Specific responsibilities of the board include the United Methodist chaplaincy in St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester; promotion of the Golden Cross offering for benevolent causes in the six institutions; support of nursing education at Methodist Hospital, St. Louis Park and planning for a convocation on theology and medicine in St. Paul in May, 1971.

Sensing the need to help the Health and Welfare Representatives of local churches to fulfill their ministries, we plan open meetings of our board for these persons.

In discussing health and welfare ministries both inside and outside the institutions, we sense the urgent need for trained personnel and we seek to share this concern with the Annual Conference Commission on Enlistment for Church Occupations.

1. Convocation on Medicine and Theology in conjunction with State Medical Convention in St. Paul 3rd week in May—Sunday through Wednesday (exact dates to be set)
2. Continue to relate to community problems of mental retardation, foster homes for children, youth and aged, numerical increase of people 65 and over and drug addiction
3. Special Sunday—2nd or 3rd Sunday of May—devoted to concerns of health and welfare.

Burton A. Passer

MONTEVIDEO METHODIST HOME, INC.

The past year has been a year of miracles for Brookside Manor. Many "firsts" have been achieved. On July 1, 1969, a new financial plan was arranged whereby our loan repayments became current, and with businesslike management, no future financial crisis is anticipated. On September 5, our facilities became 100%
occupied for the first time. There has been no loss of revenue from the tenants in
the history of the institution and every department and piece of equipment is
operating at optimum efficiency. During the year, when almost every community
was affected with a high rate of influenza, the residents of Brookside Manor
escaped with only a few cases.

It is with pride and joy that Brookside Manor received full certification from
the National Board of Health and Welfare Ministries of The United Methodist
Church, which is a much sought after rating given upon the recommendation of an
independent team. The team is made up of 15 persons with specific skills in the
area of health and welfare and who can make professional assessments as to
whether a church-related agency meets the various standards of excellence.

The residents themselves must be recognized for their financial gifts and
moral participation in adding to the convenience and beauty of our building and
grounds. The residents' financial participation this year was no less that $700 in
appreciation for their love for Brookside Manor. (One member of the Board of
Directors contributed $1,000 for redecorating and refurbishing the business office.)

The monies received through the conference treasurer from the United
Methodist Churches in the Minnesota Conference from Golden Cross and confer­
ence benevolence offerings were very much appreciated.

Harris Halstead, administrator

WALKER METHODIST RESIDENCE AND NURSING HOME, INC.

The annals of 1969-1970 of the Walker Methodist Residence and Nursing
Home disclose that both facilities operated at full capacity. We received the envi­
vable certificate of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals, following
a routine survey, as we also were recertified for Medicare.

We have found the Hennepin County Welfare agency and kindred groups
within the State of Minnesota cooperative in extending Medicaid, as well as sup­
plementary support for those of limited income. This rapport with them is valued
and appreciated. It is recognized and accepted that there is increasing need for
supplementary funds, over and above the fixed income such as pension, Social
Security, etc. It is to the credit of this nation that the federal, state and local wel­
fare programs recognize that the individual worth and personal dignity require the
acknowledgement of their contribution to society, by way of Old Age Assistance
grants and the benefits of Medicaid. Medicare is costly to administer, but the
security that it affords our men and women is not to be disregarded.

The waiting list, heavy with applicants needing extensive nursing care, is a
challenge to us. We share in the universal problem of staffing and are grateful
for the loyal, dedicated fellow workers of long tenure. We would appreciate the
steering of anyone to us who is interested in serving on the home mission front,
as we look upon our work.

Through the Activities Department the spectrum of entertainment and rec­
reation is broad and varied. We feel it is a major factor in the zestful spirit of
living that prevails here. The nursing care, under the direction of Mrs. Eleanor
Bold, R.N., and Dr. Henry H. Hoffert, Medical Director, is a source of pride and
satisfaction. The financial operation is sound, but there is real concern felt for
the increased costs of living and the impact upon our rate structure.

The Woman's Auxiliary, under the leadership of Miss Ruth Harvey, presi­
dent, has done a great deal to develop the attractive "plus" aspects of Walker
Methodist Residence. The money-raising projects such as the ice cream social, so
loyally supported by residents of the metropolitan area, and the Fall Festival
later, have made it possible for them to establish a second beauty shop and pro­
cceed with the construction of the Country Store (formerly the coffee shop) in the
"A" Building, in addition to sponsoring the birthday parties, with the able assist-
ance of Mrs. Janet Jacobson. Another important project of this group during the past year has been the purchase of a mending machine. The public relations work of the Woman's Auxiliary is prized.

Each year is filled with blessings, but also many changes. It is with deep sorrow that we speak of the death of Mrs. Florence Varner, who served as the secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Walker Methodist Residence from the time of its beginning until her death. Her gracious, dedicated spirit of Christian service was reflected, we know, wherever she was and her service to The United Methodist Church is not only immeasurable but enviable. Our debt to Mrs. Varner is great.

Our appreciation goes to each member of the conference for his prayerful support and continuing cooperation. We seek to serve those older members of society who have given so much of themselves and toward this end we pledge ourselves.

Mrs. Campbell Keith, administrator

PAUL WATKINS MEMORIAL METHODIST HOME

The home is one of your arms of service to the aged in today's world where the number of aged is growing faster than the number of newborn children.

Service is being provided to over one hundred people regardless of race or creed. The outstanding problem is the lack of facilities to meet the demand arising for sheltered care and nursing care.

The financial support of churches in the Southeast District, and especially the United Methodist Churches in Winona, assists in the large amount of charity work done by the home for the residents on public assistance.

The home is a member of the Conference on Geriatric Care of the Minnesota Hospital Association; a member of the American Association of Homes for the Aging; is affiliated with the National Association of Health and Welfare Ministries of The United Methodist Church; and is accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals and Long Term Care Institutions. The home operates under a license by the Department of Health of the State of Minnesota.

Eugene K. Meyers, administrator

METHODIST HOSPITAL

At our last annual meeting the following projects were being planned or just started:

1. The Meadowbrook Medical Building (on our land)
2. Completion of the eighth floor
3. Progressive Coronary Care Unit
4. Expansion of our Surgical Suite
5. Northeast addition
6. Long-Range Role & Program Study
7. Medical Education Program
8. Negotiations for the sale of the Asbury property and Tourtellotte Home
9. 10th Anniversary activity plans

1. The Meadowbrook Medical Building is now nearing completion. Some tenants have already moved in and more are soon to follow. This six story ($4,500,000) building provides 120,000 square feet of high quality space. Even though Methodist has no money invested in this project, we feel it to be extremely important to our future growth and progress.
2. The eighth floor is now complete and brings our total bed capacity to 435.
3. The new progressive Coronary Care Unit on the fourth floor is also complete. This brand new concept in caring for heart patients has been very well received and we feel sure it will substantially lower the fatality rate of serious coronary cases that reach the hospital.
4. The new operating rooms were completed in April. These will help ease the problem of scheduling surgery. Two additional operating rooms will be finished at a later date.
5. Plans for the large addition to the Northeast corner of the building have progressed rapidly and bids were taken in May. Actual construction should start in July. This expansion will include an expanded Emergency and Out-patient Department, Physical Medicine and Clinical Laboratories, new areas for Inhalation Therapy, Admitting Department, New Chronic and Acute Kidney Dialysis Units, Nursing Service offices and the library. This is a very important addition as it will be the basic structure to support the major portion of the East tower to be built at a later date as extra beds are needed. The cost of this addition will be approximately $4,500,000.
6. Our Role and Program Study, conducted for us by the consulting firm, has been completed and formed the basis for our Long-Range Plan as formulated by our Long-Range Planning Committee.
7. A definite program of medical education has been established this year and Dr. John Flinn has been engaged as a full time Director of Medical Education.
8. The sale of the Asbury Hospital property and the Tourtellotte Home property to the North Central Bible College was finalized during the year.
9. Again this year a series of breakfasts were held at the hospital for various businessmen of the suburban area. These breakfasts were part of our tenth Anniversary as a suburban hospital.

During the year we leased the entire third floor of the Medical Building for our use as an Extended Care Facility. The building owners will custom finish it for us and it will be directly connected to the hospital with an enclosed bridge. The use of one floor of the Medical Building gives us the opportunity, on a five year lease basis and without a large capital investment, to test the need for and feasibility of providing extended care.

While we often use quantitative measures such as statistical indices, new building and equipment to demonstrate growth and progress, the main thrust of our energies is directed to the improvement of the quality of service rendered.

A pilot project for unit managers was begun in February to remove non-nursing administrative duties from nurses and get them back to the bedside. The program is still in the development stage but is progressing satisfactorily. Non-nurse assistants are being trained to relieve the head nurse of clerical duties allowing her more time for direct supervision and management of patient care. A nurse consultant was invited to assist in objectively reviewing our present organization in relation to the increasing specialties in medical treatment, the increasing numbers of patients and the complexity of services to be rendered.

The medical staff and the hospital embarked upon a very exciting adventure to provide high quality emergency medical care to the communities we serve. The incorporation of E.P.P.A., Emergency Physicians Professional Association, culminated many months of investigation and planning. This is a pioneering effort in our metropolitan area and after six months of operation, we are most pleased with the quality of emergency service that we feel has been provided to our community.

In July Dr. John H. Flinn, who had served on the faculties of the medical schools of the University of Rochester and the University of Wisconsin, joined us
as full time Director of Medical Education. A high priority is being established for the continuing education of the Medical Staff. In the field of undergraduate medical education, tentative plans under the University of Minnesota's new curriculum include assignment of approximately 20 second year medical students to Methodist Hospital for training and clinical medicine over a period of four quarters. In the area of postgraduate training of young physicians, affiliations with the University and with the Hennepin County General Hospital are now in the planning stages.

We are mindful of the fact that hospital service always has been and will continue to be personal service, but are also very sensitive to the increasing costs of health care and hospital care specifically. To this end we have become involved in several joint programs to share services with other hospitals in the community, including a joint purchasing program in pharmaceuticals, which has resulted in substantial savings for our hospital (these savings in large part have been returned to the patient through lower charges); much of our printing is being done by a print shop serving a number of metropolitan hospitals, a joint contract for a computer time sharing program as well as a joint laundry venture. Development of realistic fiscal controls in our internal operation have produced financial resources which have made it possible for us to make the capital improvements without increasing our debt while still maintaining a rate structure that is at or below the median in our area.

The hospital auxiliary continued its invaluable service to Methodist. There is no more dedicated or hard working group of volunteers in any hospital in the country. Again in 1969 they gave over 50,000 hours of time and contributed in excess of $25,000 for monitoring equipment and teaching aids for our new Coronary Care Unit and have pledged $20,000 to help furnish our two new operating rooms.

The dedicated performance of our auxiliary is beautifully summed up by one respondent to a Minneapolis Star Poll taken recently to find out what people thought about hospitals. This respondent, speaking of Methodist said, "I was impressed with its courteous service. The Volunteers give the impression they want to be there."

Again, 1969 at Methodist was a year fruitful with the results of people working together... our doctors, our nurses, our student nurses and nursing school staff... our administration and operating staffs, our auxiliary volunteers, and members of the board and corporation.

Projects Started During the Past Year

A new Physical Medicine Department, Emergency and Outpatient Department, Clinical Laboratories, Inhalation Therapy and Pharmacy.

Future Building and Expansion Plans

Following completion of the present construction, two operating rooms with supporting expanded post-anesthesia recovery area, lounge, locker space and a classroom will be completed in the Surgical Suite. Central Supply will be enlarged as well as the cafeteria.

C. G. Retherford
Chairman of the Board

BOARD OF THE LAITY

After a stormy organizational beginning at last Annual Conference, a time of unprecedented challenge, I can report that the Board of the Laity is, for the most part, organized and already functioning to carry out our Discipline-directed objectives. It is our intent to carry forth our program within the
established objectives and priorities of our Annual Conference. Several main emphases stand out above others and should be given mention in this report. First of all, we are very fortunate in our conference to have a full time staff-related Director of Stewardship. John Espie, with the full cooperation and support of Neal Wood, Associate Conference Lay Leader for Stewardship and Finance, has done an outstanding job in his area of concern this past year. This is an on-going emphasis that now falls under the organization of the Board of the Laity. The stewardship schools completed in February and already scheduled for district and local church implementation this year and next attest to the vitality and great need for this work.

As this report is being written, the second annual Congress for United Methodist Men is being finalized and, under the direction of Dr. Milton Mootz, Associate Conference Lay Leader for Lay Life and Work, promises to be the best ever. April 11th and 12th, 1970, are the dates, and Mankato, Minnesota is the place. Local committees, under the direction of Maynard Lawrence, have done an outstanding job. Al Worthington and Bill Mann headline the event, with the Saturday afternoon County Fair promising to be the focal point of the entire week end. In this informal atmosphere the men in attendance will be given the opportunity to see how to put the inspiration received into tangible reality in their home church situations.

The Southwest District has been given the "pilot district" emphasis this year, and it is there under the direction of Winfield Forsberg, District Lay Leader, that Stewardship and Lay Leader Training programs will be given full implementation. Budget limitations make it possible to only have this type of concentration in one district this year. It is our intent, and we have budgeted accordingly, that the Northeast District receive this emphasis in the year 1971. Lay Speaking is being expanded. Under Dana Zimmerli, this program promises to be an outstanding one. For too long, the church in general has looked upon the service of Laymen's Sunday as the only outreach of the Board of the Laity. This is a false assumption, and the program as outlined by this director will prove that the voice of the laity shall be heard throughout the whole church.

It is my belief that with the new structure, the Board of the Laity is truly that—the board of all the laity of the church: men, women, youth, children. . . . And from the ranks of the laity, the church is hearing a voice that it dare not ignore. For too long, the laity has been delegated to a position of second class relationship in the structure within the organizational church; perhaps not technically, but for all purposes, in reality. The blame for this must be shared by the laity and the ordained members of conference alike. Both of us must realize the truth of this and must resolve that this shall not continue. For only when the church has the vitality of consecrated lay men and women does it have the potential to change the world. The greatest need today is the confrontation of the spirit of man with the spirit of God with changed individuals going forth to answer the great physical and psychological needs in our world today. There is a growing cry from the pew today for this to be the direction of the church and it cannot be ignored.

I have been privileged to serve as Conference Lay Leader for this past year. Several facts repeatedly come to the forefront, and I repeat them here:

1) The position of Conference Lay Leader cannot continue to be filled on a voluntary basis. Salary support must be given to this position. The person filling the position must be able to respond to its demands and do so within the limitations of financial reality of this day. I further see a great need within the church today for a full-time lay counter-part serving with every ordained pastor from the local church up through the conference position of Bishop.

2) Lay representation at Annual Conference cannot continue to exist as it has in
the past. Great leaders have been in the ranks, but for the most part the local church representation has not reached the standards that are required by our church and society as we now face them. Representation must be on a per diem basis for the lay people so that we are sitting as a starting equal with our clergy counterparts.

Even with this as a reality, we must move our Annual Conference to a weekend so that our best lay representation can be present. As a Board of the Laity, under the Lay Speaking program, we stand ready to help implement this with a Conference Sunday, structured on the same lines as Laymen's Sunday.

3) Lack of communication is unavoidable in certain instances within a large organization such as our Annual Conference. However, the extent to which it does exist is a grave concern within our board. Only when we have complete coordination, cooperation, participation and openness from local pastors, district superintendents and our bishop is it going to be possible to move forward and give full implementation to all our programs, both task-force size and on-going.

4) We must once again come to the point where we can disagree and still stand in the oneness of Christ. This is not possible within our church today. Even the points that I am raising here will bring me subject to criticism. Let one point be plain: I love God and I love the church. I came to know God through the church and I stand full-strength behind the church. I am an United Methodist by choice and find myself daily more resolute in the decision that this is where I want to be. But if I think my church is wrong, then I must have the freedom and open love to express this concern and expect the same in return, both from clergy and fellow lay men and women.

As lay members of Annual Conference, we are privileged to briefly play a role in and be a part of the great oneness which is shared by the ordained ministry. We thank you for this opportunity. I thank you for the opportunity that has been mine to serve my church in this way.

However, I do feel that my greatest personal responsibility to God's call upon my life is through my lay music ministry. I look forward to continuing the oneness we have shared as I hope to work with all of you in our conference and in others, presenting the message of Christ through music and the spoken Word. Doors continue to open whereby I can serve God in this way. I must follow this call. So it is with very mixed emotions that I must announce to you my decision not to be available to serve as conference lay leader in the future. I ask your full cooperation with the new personnel of the Board of the Laity of our conference. May God's richest blessings be yours, always!

Wilbur Sayles, conference lay leader

BOARD OF LAITY

STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE COMMISSION

PURPOSE:

To help people take effective personal and corporate action in these areas by increasing their awareness and understanding of Christian stewardship and by showing them specific ways to reflect their faith through commitment and action.

GOALS:

1. Conference stewardship schools for local church stewardship and finance leaders, age level coordinators and clergy. Locate in Southwest District area, with major emphasis on church participation from that district. Relate stewardship to priorities of conference.
2. Follow-up program in church cluster groups in all districts represented at the school leading to development of one and two year comprehensive stewardship programs geared to type of mission.

3. Enlarge use and effectiveness of parish communication programs such as: two year stewardship program, "Visitors for Christ" program, monthly mailing.

4. Develop and promote A-V presentations of results achieved by churches in Minnesota with Every Member Commitment and other stewardship programs.

5. Cooperate with other agencies in focusing attention on problems of:
   a. pollution and other areas of environmental stewardship.
   b. money management by age levels.


7. In all programs, increase flexibility and gear detail to age levels, type community, size of church, council on ministries approach to mission and improve evaluation & report potential.

8. Continue consulting service by conference stewardship director and others to churches upon request. Add two field people to supplement this work and that of National Boards (ie: Board of Missions Field Service).

Budget & program steps to be developed upon approval of these goals. (See also Lay Life & Work Commission proposals).

John C. Espie, conference stewardship director

BOARD OF THE MINISTRY

The Board of the Ministry is not basically a “program” structure. Our primary task has been that of working with persons preparing for the ministry. At the 1968 General Conference, however, the responsibilities of this board were broadened to encompass ministry from recruitment to retirement. It is in some of these newly acquired areas that we get into “program”.

In the area of recruitment our particular charge is that of enlistment for the ministry of word, sacrament and order. In a joint effort with the Conference Commission on Christian Vocations and the Cabinet we have begun a study on the ministry in an attempt to get the kind of information that will make recruitment as realistic and effective as possible.

Three members of our board serve with three members from the Board of the Laity on the Tuition Grant and Emergency Aid Fund Committee. This is a program of financial assistance on the basis of need for ministerial students in college and seminary. Twenty-one loans or grants were authorized last year.

An effective ministry in the rapidly changing world today requires continuing education so that a man can increase his understanding and improve his skills. A main thrust of our conference continuing education emphasis has been the sabbatical leave program. Five persons participated in the program last year; three requests for the current year have been approved. In addition to the sabbatical leave program the concept of continuing education is being broadened to cover a variety of short term experiences.

The counseling services program of this board has been in existence for three years. Its increasing use by ministers and their families indicates that it is meeting a real need.

Most of the program responsibilities of this board are financed by the Ministerial Education Fund. This is a new apportionment in 1970 authorized by the
General Conference of 1968. Seventy-five percent of the Ministerial Education Fund apportionment goes to the seminaries; twenty-five percent stays within the Annual Conference for recruitment, financial aid to ministerial students and continuing education. The Ministerial Education Fund is not a benevolence to which people contribute on an occasional or spontaneous basis. It is an apportionment and as such provides a systematic ongoing method through which the church supports ministerial education.

Charles B. Purdham

MINNESOTA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

In the annals of the Minnesota Council of Churches, the year 1969 will be known as a year of testing. It could also be known as the year when our various member-denominations were equally tested. Perhaps the depth of today's challenge can be better understood if we remember the observation that the "whole of American life is changing so fast that perhaps three centuries of change are now squeezed into something like 75 years. In terms of social change, we live to be 300 years old!"

The council's response has been threefold: (1) an interim revision of its internal structure to provide for greater flexibility; (2) a widening of its ecumenical base through increased Protestant-Catholic cooperation; and (3) a deepening of conciliar-denominational staff understanding.

The operation on the council's organizational structure was performed at a special four-hour session of its Board of Directors on December 19. One result of that meeting was to streamline the administrative functions of the council through the creation of an Administrative Committee and a Program Cabinet to replace the former 24-member Executive Committee.

The Administrative Committee will consist of the council's officers and all full-time denominational executives or their appointees and will act for the board between its three yearly meetings. The Program Cabinet will consist of all department chairmen, the council staff and additional persons who may be elected for reasons of their special competence. In addition, a forum of executives is provided for, through which two or more denominations may create coalitions to meet needs more quickly and which may not now be met by the council. It may also be open to other non-member religious bodies in the state.

The interim nature of these changes is emphasized in view of the board's earlier assignment to a Special Evaluation Committee headed by Dr. Arthur S. Flemming. This committee is now engaged in longer and deeper explorations which could result in a completely new and more inclusive ecumenical structure for Minnesota.

Related to such reorganization is the re-structuring which has taken place within the council's Department of Indian Work. As a result of nearly a year-long study by three largely Indian sub-committees, the department membership is now two-thirds Indian and now has an all-Indian staff headed by Mr. E. G. (Hap) Holstein, a Minnesota Chippewa Indian who began his duties December 1, 1969. An all-Indian Committee from within this department planned the entire afternoon and evening program of the council's 1970 General Assembly. The assembly theme, "Indian Goals for the '70s", which was also considered in 12 work groups, each with Indian leadership, reflected the new mood of Indian people, especially Indian youth.

Unusually significant developments have taken place in Protestant-Catholic cooperation. Probably the most important was the joint meeting of Minnesota's Protestant and Catholic judicatory heads December 9-10 at the Jesuit Retreat House near North St. Paul. This historic "first" in our state brought all of
Minnesota's Catholic bishops except one to spend two days together in conversations with practically all of the major Protestant heads. Bishop Paul A. Washburn was present and participated by leading the group in an unusually effective devotional service.

The above meeting will hopefully give impetus to even greater Protestant-Catholic working cooperation which already exists in varying degrees in such areas as Indian ministry, religion-in-public-education, radio-TV including a new educational development TV series, Minnesota State Pastors' Conference, inter-seminary education, audio-visual library and evaluation, migrant work, ecumenical lay and youth encounters, planning, legislation and race.

A significant development of the year was a series of joint conciliar-denominational staff meetings. The all-day meeting between the staff of your conference and the staffs of the Minnesota, Greater Minneapolis and St. Paul Area Councils of Churches held Oct. 13, 1969 resulted, in the opinion of this writer, in a greatly increased mutual understanding of our respective goals and philosophies of operation.

In addition to carrying on the council's high-priority program services to meet human needs, other important new developments during the year included:

1. The issuance of the 1969 36-page legislative guidelines, "Justice for All Minnesotans."
2. Establishment of eight regional legislative education-action units throughout the state.
3. Production of an educational development 6-part TV series, "Discovering to Grow," for teachers and parents.
4. Conducting church and community planning consultations at Bemidji, St. Cloud and St. Peter.
5. Town and Country institutes held in Martin, Washington, Rice, Dodge, Wasca, Norman, Mahnomen and Sibley counties.
6. Staff leadership to provide financial assistance for the People's Cooperative Store of North Minneapolis.
7. Coordination of United Clothing Appeal for overseas relief by Church World Service and Lutheran World Relief.
8. Christian education coordination between the Minnesota, Greater Minneapolis and St. Paul Area Councils of Churches through the services of a joint director-coordinator, Mr. Gerald Fahrenholz.
10. The launching of a study of the 7-county Twin Cities area which will show the sociological, economic and demographic trends of the area as they relate to the metropolitan mission of the Church.
11. Expansion of the council's audio-visual library to include resources and participation of the Catholic Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis, the Minnesota Synod of the Lutheran Church in America and the Minnesota Conference of The United Methodist Church.
12. The acceptance of a call by the Rev. Willis J. Merriman to join the staff of the Wisconsin Council of Churches beginning February 1, 1970; Mr. Merriman has provided aggressive and effective leadership in the areas of Christian Social Relations and Ecumenical Relations during his five years of service. In view of potential developments which may grow out of the council's Interim Structure report, his duties will temporarily be carried by other staff members.
13. The decision of Indian staff member, Mrs. Yvonne Warhol, to enroll in the University of Minnesota to complete her work for her degree. Her work on our staff, especially with the Minnesota Vacations Visits Program, has been most outstanding.
The leadership of United Methodist clergy and laity has also been a source of added strength: Mr. Leonard L. Harkness, who has now completed a two-year term as one of the council's most outstanding lay presidents; the Rev. Kenneth O. Beck, chairman of the council's Department of Christian Social Relations and chairman of the council's newly established Program Cabinet; Dr. Arthur S. Flemming, chairman of the council's Special Evaluation Committee; and board members Bishop Paul A. Washburn, Arthur R. Anderson, Rev. Ray Boehler, Rev. Bruce Buller, Mr. Richard P. Hoffman and Mrs. Arthur Hoistad.

Amid these turbulent times, your council leadership seeks to keep an open mind and heart toward the new opportunities and directions God is now seeking to lead his people. The challenge of our times requires the highest possible degree of ecumenical response. The cooperation of your conference is a source of strong encouragement as we respond to that challenge.

Alton M. Motter, executive director

BOARD OF MISSIONS

The Board of Missions of the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church seeks to be a truly representative body that keeps the church in mission.

The responsibilities of the board are worldwide, extending to five continents, and yet congregational in concern. It is involved in fulfilling yesterday's promises, in maintaining on-going programs and inaugurating new adventures on unmarked trails. It is mindful of the rural population decline and the cry of the small church for existence as it listens to the demands of the inner city for ministry in meaningful personal relationships. The board senses the outward thrust of suburbia, with its ever increasing demand for an effective witness, but is equally alert to our need to support a mobile ministry among those sparsely populated centers scattered far and wide in our northland.

Recognizing these challenging needs and realizing that these opportunities for effective witness in mission are really "one mission," it has been the objective of the board to seek to establish an intra-board sensitivity that would allow the board to act as a unified body in Christ. We have sought to lay a foundation upon which we can set our priorities, evaluate our program emphasis, discard our trivia, maintain our essentials and risk our future on certain meaningful adventures of faith that will keep us relevant, effective and faithful in our mission for Christ in our ever-changing world. We feel that progress has been made.

When we stand back far enough from the events of 1969 to get a broad perspective of the work of the Board of Missions, as an artist would stand back from a painting to note the general effect and not the small detail, we note the following:

New Structures

The Board of Missions is composed of 65 members, 30 of whom are lay persons. It is organized into four major sections: a section of Parish and Community, a section of Minnesota Mission and Church Extension, a section of Education and Cultivation and a section known as the Bureau of Research and Survey that undergirds the board in its program of evaluating and initiating.

Union this year has re-formed the structure and regrouped the persons carrying on the work of the board. The Church and Community Commission and the Metropolitan Coordinating Commission have been linked to become a Parish and Community Development Section of the board, serving both Urban Ministries and Smaller Communities' needs.

Church extension and salary supplement responsibilities are being administered through the Minnesota Missions and Church Extension section of the board.
The whole range of informing and motivating persons in our churches to become involved in the task of aiding undeveloped nations across the world continues to be carried on through the Section of Education and Cultivation.

Urban Emphases

A shift in dollars and personnel to make the ministry of the church more effective in the urban setting is another general observation that can be made. The grouping of churches with declining membership in the inner-city area and the joining of staffs in an ecumenical parish relationship has been effected during the year. An increase in dollars was allocated for this purpose in 1969 and a similar or greater increase is programmed for 1970. A study of budget provision for the Department of Urban Ministries shows the extent of this effort. The Headwaters Parish, with its grouping of rural churches, has been added to the conference program and has followed the insight gained in the Central Minnesota Parish.

The problems of the core city, with its racial, economic and sociological tensions, will not disappear through wishing. The church has a serious responsibility to continue its involvement with all forces, government and voluntary, in seeking to improve the human environment in order to release the spiritual capacities in man.

Church Expansion on Plateau

Church expansion for 1969 saw the completion of the Normandale Hylands Church and the start of construction of the Forest Hills (in Forest Lake) and Pilgrim (in the village of Plymouth) new church buildings for the new congregations organized and worshipping in temporary quarters during the past two years. Each first unit should be completed by mid-summer.

Due to a shifting of support, we are not in a position to start any new construction in 1970 but will be active in securing new sites and setting aside resources for 1971 construction. Being held in escrow is a significant amount for the possible construction of a service building for Camphor Church, St. Paul.

The Minneapolis Union has been active in securing one site and probing for another in Anoka County for churches in the future. The continuing expansion of the metropolitan area to the southwest, the predicted trend for the past three decades, is continuing and we must plan for churches, either denominational or ecumenical, in such developing residential areas.

Away from Home Mission Support

While the report of missionary enterprises across the nation and world by our conference was not a distinct and outstanding feature of 1969, nevertheless a continuing background of this form of Christian mission is essential to an understanding of the more dramatic events in the immediate foreground.

It is interesting to note that the support of world missions maintained itself at a high level, with only a 2% reduction in spite of the withdrawal of dollars for philanthropic purposes by the public in general. Dollar figures regarding this support are submitted by our conference treasurer and are worth studying. Advance Special support of Minnesota projects increased approximately 20% in 1969 over 1968. The response to the Fund for Reconciliation appeal and the Emergency Appeal for Hurricane Camille testify to the fact that our United Methodists are sensitive to the needs beyond their doorsteps.

The Board of Missions does not consider itself the all-inclusive agent of the church in mission, but it does conceive of itself as pioneering in many areas requiring creative insight and dedication.

Merle A. Dunn, president

WOMEN’S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

“To unite them in a Christian fellowship to make Christ known throughout
the world.” These words found in the purpose of the Women’s Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild reflect on this past year of the society and guild whose 28,087 members have completed an exciting and fulfilling year of furthering the purpose by studies, programs and projects which challenge them to respond to God’s redemptive purpose in the world.

The 1969 School of Christian Mission was held at Hamline University June 23-27 with 256 women and 30 Senior High youth attending. This was the first time youth were a part of the student body and their presence and participation made the school a success as all took classes relevant to the main theme, “Reconciliation: Prescription for a Broken World.”

In January, 65 society and guild conference and district officers spent three days at the Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Francis in Rochester participating in a “pilot project on inter-personal relations” sponsored by the North Central Jurisdiction Society-Guild whose team of six led in this project with ecumenical over-tones due to the hospitality and participation by the Sisters. A film, tape and copies of materials used during the pilot project in Minnesota are now available for all societies and guilds throughout the nation for use in planning similar experiences.

The 1970 Annual Meeting was held in Winona April 14 and 15. The theme, “The Gift of God Within You,” derived from the Scripture relating to our new SEMinar Action groups relating to the problems and concerns of women in today’s world. Leaders inspired the women to return to their churches and communities and become involved as responsible Christian women. Bishop Washburn and Mrs. Wayne Harrington, president of the Women’s Division were featured speakers giving further challenge to the 700 women present.

The national Assembly May 7-10 in Houston, Texas found 48 delegates representing the Minnesota Conference as a part of the 10,000 United Methodist women who attended the Assembly whose theme was “Choose Life.”

Our pledge to missions for the seven months period of our being a united society-guild was $105,000. We continually strive, through study, prayer, gifts and service to develop a personal responsibility for the whole task of the church at home and overseas.

I have indeed been privileged to have served as conference president for this first year following union. I take great pride and absolutely no credit for the many hours given by the women in Minnesota who, in the various avenues of service in their local churches and communities, reflect the purpose of our being an organization within the structure of The United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Alan B. Larson, president

COMMITTEE ON MOVING

The moving of the household goods of our ministers and widows shall be under the supervision of the Committee on Moving, elected by the Annual Conference for the quadrennium. The committee shall consist of seven members, including one district superintendent named by the Cabinet, with the remaining members to be divided equally between laymen and ministers. The Annual Conference shall elect the chairman, who shall be the director of moving.

Procedures and policies shall be as follows.

1. The conference shall, on recommendation of the Committee on Moving, employ one moving company, associated with a nation-wide carrier, to schedule and move ministers’ household goods, in consultation with the director of moving and the Cabinet. (Mover for 1970 is Metcalf Storage & Van Co.)

2. The conference shall pay 100% of the moving expenses of ministers and
widows. The conference shall be billed directly and anything over the limitations stated below will be billed to the pastor, who in turn shall pay this amount to the conference treasurer.

LIMITATIONS:

a. **MAXIMUM WEIGHT**: 12,000 pounds

b. **LIMIT FOR PACKAGE AND WARDROBE SERVICE**: $50.00

c. **FOR MINISTERS COMING DIRECTLY FROM SEMINARY**, the maximum weight for which moving expenses will be paid shall be 7,000 pounds.

d. **FOR RETIRED MINISTERS, AND WIDOWS OF MINISTERS WHO HAVE DIED WHILE IN ACTIVE MINISTERIAL SERVICE**, the conference shall pay the total moving expense, **for one move only**, except that the maximum claim allowed for such moves shall not exceed 2½ times the average claim allowed for intra-conference moves the preceding year.

e. **PAYMENT SHALL NOT COVER** storage, servicing of appliances, warehousing, handling in and out of warehouse or storage insurance for any move.

f. Payment for **ONE EXTRA PICKUP** will be allowed in situations where pastor’s study is located other than at the parsonage.

g. When a minister in effective relation is appointed to a **ONE-YEAR SABBATICAL LEAVE**, his household moving expenses shall be paid to and from the place of his sabbatical appointment, **upon his return** for an appointment in the Minnesota Conference, **provided** that the maximum claim allowable for each move shall not exceed 2½ times the average claim for intra-conference moves the preceding year.

h. **FOR MINISTERS COMING FROM OUTSIDE THE CONFERENCE** for appointment within the Minnesota Conference, the maximum claim allowable shall not exceed 2½ times the average claim for intra-conference moves the preceding year.

i. **ADJUSTMENTS** in moving policy and expense may be made upon recommendation of the Cabinet and the Committee on Moving.

3. The Mutual Benefit Insurance Society shall act as the insurance company for insuring ministers’ household goods while they are being moved.

Harold W. Zart, chairman

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Pursuant to the 1968 *Book of Discipline* of The United Methodist Church and in accord with the by-laws of the respective corporations involved, the Boards of Trustees of Minnesota Annual Conference (Methodist) and Minnesota Conference (Evangelical United Brethren) have conscientiously endeavored to execute all responsibilities delegated to their administration. During the year of 1969 the above Boards of Trustees met as follows: Minnesota Conference (Evangelical United Brethren), March 24; Minnesota Annual Conference (Methodist), February 25, April 10, June 9 with a continuation meeting on June 12. Following the Declaration of Union and the adjournment of the first session of the new United Methodist Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church on June 13, the duly constituted Board of Trustees met as follows: June 19, July 23, September 30 and November 24.

The function of the Board of Trustees, as directors of the corporation, is essentially two-fold: (1) to hold and manage real estate owned by the corporation and (2) receive and hold in trust all donations, bequests and devises of any kind or character, real or personal, that may be given, devised, bequeathed or conveyed to the Annual Conference and administer all such property and funds on behalf of the conference corporation.
PROPERTY

The Board of Trustees, at the close of 1969, was maintaining responsibility for 16 residences, plus mission and camp property. Mortgage payments, maintenance and improvements are provided for the properties to the extent of the demand and available budgeted funds.

A first mortgage of $800.00 on the Nett Lake Property having been liquidated in 1968, a second mortgage of $2,500.00 was liquidated this year and negotiations are in process to deed the 39 acres involved to the Bois Forte Band of the Nett Lake Indian Reservation.

With the termination of the tenancy of the Rev. Peter Talikka, negotiations are in process to dispose of the Finnish Mission property in Chisholm, Minnesota.

The 5628 Sheridan Avenue South, Minneapolis, property was sold on a contract for deed.

In the transition period of union, the 425 Schletty Lane property in West Saint Paul was made available to the Robert Nave family (on furlough) until July 1, 1970.

The Northeast District parsonage at Duluth, the Southwest District parsonage at Mankato and the Metropolitan South District parsonage (6310 Washburn, Minneapolis) were extensively renovated during the summer.

THE HELEN H. BENNETT MEMORIAL FUND

During the year of 1969 the following persons were granted financial aid from the Helen H. Bennett Memorial Fund: Rev. Marlen W. Johnson, Miss Callie Couts, Rev. Roy N. Wiberg and Rev. Joseph W. Pilate.

INSURANCE

An umbrella policy of liability insurance in the amount of one million dollars over and above our previously existing limit of one-half million dollars was contracted for in June. A new evaluation of our properties is being made by our Insurance Committee and all properties will be insured to their full value with the premium based on 90% of value.

FINANCES

The conference treasurer, Miss Betty Jean Foster, serves as treasurer of the conference corporation. A full report of the corporation assets will be presented at Annual Conference and subsequently printed in the conference journal. In summary, as of December 31, 1969, the total permanent trust funds and real assets of the corporation were $1,917,525.00. The corporation liabilities, mostly in the nature of mortgages on residences, camp property and promissory notes to the National Board of Missions, stand at $220,940.00. Property and fund equities amount to $1,696,585.00.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the report of the two Boards of Trustees to their respective corporate sessions of the conferences of 1969, as recorded in the Official Journal and Yearbook, be approved without reading and that the same be made a part of the permanent record of the corporate session.

2. That the conference secretary insert on page one of the 1970 Official Journal and Yearbook the legal name of the conference which is "Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church."

3. That the Pokegema Community Methodist Church be discontinued (all provisions of the 1968 Book of Discipline, ¶ 1550, regarding discontinuance having been met), and that the property be sold and proceeds administered pursuant to the recommendations of the Metropolitan East District Board of Church Location and Building. Legal description of property as follows: "Located on the East half (½), of the square piece of land containing one (1)
acre, located in the new North East (NE) corner of the North West quarter (NW 1 quarter), of the North East quarter (NE 1 quarter) of section two (2), township Thirty-nine (39), range Twenty-two (22) West (W) of the Fifth (5) principal meridian according to the government survey thereof in the County of Pine, State of Minnesota." Recorded in Book 82, page 203. The Incorporation Book is Book Y of Miscellaneous, page 591.

4. That the Holly United Methodist Church, in Murray County, Minnesota, be discontinued (all provisions of the 1968 Book of Discipline, ¶ 1550, regarding discontinuance having been met), and that the property be sold and proceeds administered pursuant to the recommendations of the Southwest District Board of Church Location and Building. Legal description of property as follows: "Located in the northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter (NE¼) of Section Twenty-One (21), Township One Hundred Eight (108) North, Range Thirty-Nine (39) West of the 5th P.M., described as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of the said Northeast Quarter (NE¼), running due south Ten (10) rods, thence due west Sixteen (16) rods to the place of commencing."

5. That the Greenwood Methodist Church in Corcoran Village, Minnesota, be discontinued (all provisions of the 1968 Book of Discipline, Paragraph 1550, regarding discontinuance having been met), and that the real estate property be sold to the Greenwood Methodist Cemetery, Greenfield Village, Minnesota, for the sum of one dollar ($1.00). Legal description of the property as follows: Section 007-119-23, Section 7, Township Block 119, Range 23, So. 10 R of W 16, R of SW, 1 and 4, EX Road Acreage .80.

6. That the Union Grove Methodist Church in Meeker County, Minnesota, be discontinued (all provisions of the 1968 Book of Discipline, Paragraph 1550, regarding discontinuance having been met) and that the real property of said church heretofore conveyed to the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church be sold and the proceeds administered pursuant to the recommendations of the Central District Board of Church Location and Building, said real property being described as follows: Beginning at a point twenty-six (26) rods south and thirty-six and one half (36½) rods west of the Quarter post on the section line between Section Thirty-two (32) and Thirty-three (33) of Township One Hundred Twenty-one North (121N), Range Thirty-two West (32W), thence running south Thirteen (13) rods, thence west Eight (8) rods, thence North Fifteen (15) rods, thence east Eight (8) rods, thence south Two (2) rods, to the point of beginning, containing 120 square rods, Meeker County, Minnesota.

7. That in the 1969 Official Journal and Yearbook, page 398, that in the fifth line from the top of the page the words "with the approval of the conference" be deleted.

8. That the following resolution proposed jointly by Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission, Members of the Minnesota Methodist Foundation, and the Annual Conference Board of Trustees be adopted:

Be it resolved that the assets of the Permanent Church Extension Fund of the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church be transferred to the Minnesota United Methodist Foundation (successor to the Minnesota Methodist Foundation). The principal of this fund to be preserved and invested as directed by the Conference Board of Trustees and the Trustees of the Minnesota United Methodist Foundation in such a manner to retain the identity of the fund. The income from said investments to be made available to the Section on Church Extension of the Board of Missions of said Conference. The principal of this fund shall be subject to withdrawal only for the purpose of paying legal demand made pursuant to obligations of said Conference incurred under guarantees of loans made by Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission.

Perry Hultin, president
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*Values updated by Board of Trustees with the exceptions of the starred items; the starred items are shown at their estimated value at 12/31/68.
COMMISSION ON WORSHIP

Believing that there is need for study of the "Theology of Worship" by both ministers and laymen, the commission proposes a conference wide "Convocation on Worship" for not less than three days for ministers and laymen in the spring of 1971. This convocation shall be a part of a continuing schedule of worships emphasizing the purpose, elements and techniques of worship.

Suggested dated are April 19, 20, 21, 1971 or April 26, 27, 28, 1971 or May 3, 4, 5, 1971.

Suggested resource leaders are Donald Saliers—Yale, James White—Perkins and John Deschner, who was at the St. Louis Convocation.

Committee in charge is Richard Collman, Tom Wright, Allen Flohr and Lowell Reinking.

The commission will continue to circulate worship resources and hopes to update both its manual for the Worship Commission and its Anthology of Contemporary Worship.

The commission cosponsors a music camp with Hennepin Avenue Church. It is anticipated that this will continue in 1971.
SECTION IV
CAPITAL FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT & FINANCE COMMISSION
FINANCIAL RESUME (December 31, 1969)

Number of guarantees (pledges) received from churches 246
Total amount of guarantees received from churches $1,205,000
Conference assets—bishop's residence, district and other
parsonages (estimated equity value) 999,372
Permanent Church Extension Fund 611,859
Assets of Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission 28,614

Total Assets $2,844,845

Loans to or guarantees of loans made to churches, camps, homes
and the conference Board of Trustees (not including loans
previously repaid) 2,108,650

RECORD OF GUARANTEES

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NORTHWEST
Moorhead (Grace) 30,000 Revised

SOUTHEAST
Dexter 20,250 Released 5/68
Preston 40,000 Pd. Up 2/69
Watkins Home 15,000
Watkins Home 15,000*

SOUTHWEST
Lakeview Methodist Home 115,000 Pd. Up 11/69
Magnolia 14,000

20 open $2,123,650
Conference released from
Guarantee by Lenders
a. Prior to terms of guar. (7) 310,000
b. Upon completion of guar. terms (3) 140,000

Total 30 $2,573,650
*New in 1969

RECOMMENDATIONS
As provided in paragraph D, section VII, of the bylaws of the commission, we ask the conference to approve the ceiling on the amount which the commission may borrow, loan or guarantee at $3,750,000 for the year ending 1971.

A. L. Pope, chairman

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS WORK AREA
General Welfare

1. A welfare system that permits hunger to exist and fails to provide adequately for many children in this rich land is certainly in need of revision. That our government is aware of this is evidenced by President Nixon's proposals for welfare reform and the high priority which the matter has had on the agenda of the Governor's conference.

The size of our agricultural surplus indicates that we have capacities for meeting the problems of hunger beyond our borders as well as at home.

An informed people will be in the best position to guide their representatives as they frame new approaches to these issues.

2. Alcoholism and drug abuse are matters of deep concern because they are widespread and because those close to persons who have these problems are also drastically affected.

It is becoming increasingly apparent that our present methods for dealing with these problems are not adequate and that new and more effective solutions must be found.

The Committee on General Welfare of your conference Board of Christian Social Concerns will be prepared to offer help to any local church which desires to consider these issues.
World Peace

1. WORLD POPULATION problems emphasis as described in the United Nations packet in the August conference mailing. In the developing world the rate of population growth jeopardizes the best efforts of governments for the economic and social development of their peoples. This emphasis would look at the hunger problem around the world, including the recent study of poverty in America. The worldwide water pollution problem in connection with this coincides with the Earth Care emphasis.

2. THE MILITARY-INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX AND OUR FOREIGN POLICY. This emphasis in study and action looks at the specter of political, military and economic pressures that influence United States security policy, military strategy, armed forces and defense spending. After the ABM system was such a close vote, it appears that pressure put on by the people can greatly influence other military expenditures.

In the August ENGAGE magazine a lead article states, “The most crucial escalation yet in the nuclear arms race is presently being launched by the United States and the Soviet Union in plans to deploy MIRV, Multiple Independently-targeted Reentry Vehicle.” Also in question from Walter Mondale is a proposed nuclear attack carrier aircraft costing from $500 to $600 million to build, and army tanks planned in 1963, which will not be ready until 1974, with original estimates already risen 528%. There cannot be a study of this complex without looking at our whole foreign policy. We, the “salt of the earth”, must be informed and concerned to multiply our efforts and mobilize others to take immediate steps to prevent impending threat to world order and peace.

Our committee will give further help and information to any local church Social Concern Commission for these projects for study and action. Contact Mrs. Ralph Howe, 12160 Mississippi Drive, Osseo, Minnesota 55369. Phone: 421-5849.

Human Relations

The two major areas the Committee on Human Relations would encourage the local church to deal with this year are extremism and earth care (pollution).

1. The tendency of many segments of our society to polarize toward extremist positions should be given serious study by the Christian church. Serious discussion of any of the vital issues of today drives many persons and groups into diametrically opposed camps, and positions are defended with increasingly frightening fanaticism. Family life education in the schools, the war in Vietnam, racial disturbances, campus unrest, methods of maintaining law and order and various political concepts are only a few of the issues which divide many parts of our society. The church must be informed about the issues and seek to understand the extremist positions, so that we may be a redemptive and reconciling agent.

2. It has been said of the problem of pollution that, if we don't begin immediately to find answers and reverse trends, within a few years nothing else will matter much. The earth won't be able to support human life. “The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof” is ample reason for Christians to be concerned with the conservation and constructive development of our God-given natural resources.

Charles Berg, General Welfare
Leone Howe, World Peace
Gary Bruening, Human Relations

There is a great deal of pressure on the church to be less involved in social concern and action, and it would be an easy time for the church to retreat. It has retreated before! The Methodist church in early America, for instance, left no doubt of its attitude on slavery. Attacking slavery as a moral blight on America it expressed disapproval of members who held slaves and required traveling
preachers to free their slaves. Indeed an early feature of American Methodism was its integrated churches. "Black Harry" Hosier, a free Negro, was a traveling companion of Francis Asbury, sometimes substituting for the bishop. But then the pressure began. The church was "meddling" and in 1836 the Methodist Church declared, much to its discredit, that it had no "right, wish or intention of interfering in the civil and political relations between master and slave as it existed in the slave-holding states of the union." Reminiscences of Luke 23!

The following material is submitted for your consideration, not on the basis of "meddling" or not "meddling" but rather on this basis: "Does it represent an expression of the Christian faith that we, as the Minnesota Conference, wish to make?"

UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD PORTUGAL-AFRICA IN THE UNITED NATIONS.

Background: The United States is at present supporting Portugal in its attempt to maintain an African empire despite the rebellion of its subjects in every area and the opposition of most of the world (While the US has voted "yes" in the UN on 'declaratory' resolution which affirms the rights of all peoples in the Portuguese-ruled territories, it has refused to support any resolution which would achieve such self-determination for the people of Angola, Guinea and Mozambique). The U.S. is allied militarily with Portugal (Through the NATO and the strategic value of the Azores base, arms and aid from U.S. is contributing to the African conflict. Out of the U.S. arms sales of 1½ to 2 billion per year, 5 million is received by Portugal); its economic interest in the African territories are growing (since Portugal relaxed foreign investment regulation in 1965, major U.S. companies have invested. Oil is the biggest product and Portugal received 50% of the profits; by 1970 she will be self-sufficient in oil. The money doesn't stay in the country nor in fair wages to the African workers); and its influence has already prevented meaningful United Nations action to aid nationalist struggles for freedom.

RESOLUTION: THAT WE SUPPORT THE UNITED NATIONS BY ACTION OF PETITIONING THE PRESIDENT, THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND UN DELEGATE TO SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE 1965 SECURITY COUNCIL WHEN IT CALLED ALL NATIONS TO REFRAIN FROM OFFERING ANY ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING ARMS SUPPLIES, WHICH WOULD ENABLE PORTUGAL TO CONTINUE SUPPRESSING THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORIES. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY (1965). WE URGE THAT NATIONS APPLY ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AND DIPLOMATIC PRESSURES TO ACHIEVE THIS GOAL.

DRAFT REPEAL

Background: (1) The number of young men qualified for military service has exceeded the number of men needed by the armed forces since the Korean conflict, which means that the present system of conscription coupled with the subsistence level pay scales for draftees in the armed forces places upon those drafted a tremendously unequal share of the real costs of national defense.

Professor John K. Galbraith has commented: "The draft survives principally as a device by which we use compulsion to get young men to serve at less than the market rate of pay. We shift the cost of military service from the well-to-do taxpayer, who benefits by lower taxes, to the impecunious draftee." (quoted from "Why Draft Repeal?" by Mark Morris, National Peace Literature Service, American Friends Service Committee, page 18).

(2) The Selective Service System as it presently operates intrudes coercive elements into the life of maturing young men in our society just at the point
where they should be expected and encouraged to take responsibility for the course of their own lives. The Selective Service System has claimed that "the club of induction has been used to drive out of areas considered to be less important to the areas of greater importance in which deferments are given, the individuals who did not or could not participate in activities which were considered essential to the defense of the Nation." (from a document entitled "Channeling," which was issued in July, 1965, by the Selective Service System, and withdrawn in 1967)

(3) Our experience with the warfare in Southeast Asia suggests that the Selective Service System has provided the administration with a means of escalating the U.S. military presence and commitment in Southeast Asia without adequate structures of review and consent by the Congress and the people. Such flexibility tempts us to rely on armed might rather than upon non-military means of settling international disputes. An army raised by voluntary principles could provide a needed check to such a temptation.

**RESOLUTION:** WE CALL FOR REPLACEMENT OF THE PRESENT SELECTIVE SERVICE LAW BY LEGISLATION INSTITUTING A PLAN FOR VOLUNTEER ARMED FORCES WITH INCREASES IN PAY AND OTHER BENEFITS SUFFICIENT TO ATTRACT THE NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS IN THE REGULAR MILITARY FORCES AND RESERVES REQUIRED BY OUR DEFENSE NEEDS ALONG WITH A STAND-BY SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM WHICH COULD BE ACTIVATED ONLY BY THE CONGRESS AND ONLY IN THE EVENT OF U.S. INVOLVEMENT IN A DECLARED WAR. WE FURTHER CALL FOR STRONG CIVILIAN CONTROL OF THE MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT.

**WOMEN'S RIGHTS**

*Background:* Because the church must always be sensitive to the possible exploitation of human beings and seek ways to alleviate oppression wherever it may be found, both for the sake of the oppressed and the oppressor, we look with keen interest on the liberation movements that have sprung into existence which seek to awaken our society to the abusive and discriminatory practices leveled against women.

We are hearing new and accusative voices saying to us that women in our society have been forced to accept roles that mark them as inferior to men, that take from them their unique human rights and that cast them in purely functionary roles.

We agree with those who say that it is neither wrong nor disgraceful for a woman to find her personal fulfillment in other than a wifely or maternal role. We deplore the discriminatory practices in hiring and job preparation and in wages that often prevail against women. We are especially angered by the "playboy" philosophy that depicts women as sexual objects whose sole purpose is the gratification of male sexual desires. We believe it is degrading to use "sex appeal" in the merchandising of products and services.

**RESOLUTION:** IN THE LIGHT OF THE MANY DEHUMANIZING ROLES THAT WOMEN ARE FORCED TO ASSUME, WE CALL ON THE CHURCH TO SPEAK A PROPHETIC WORD AGAINST THE SOCIETY THAT HAS MADE SUCH CONDITIONS POSSIBLE. WE CALL ON THE CHURCH TO EXPOSE HERSELF TO THESE PROPHETIC VOICES, TO ASK WHY IT IS THAT THERE ARE SO FEW WOMEN AMONG THE ORDAINED CLERGY, TO ASK WHY IT IS THAT SO FEW WOMEN ARE MEMBERS OF LOCAL CHURCH BOARDS OF TRUSTEES; IN OTHER WORDS, TO ASK OF OURSELVES HOW DEEPLY WE HAVE BEEN INFECTED BY THE SOCIETAL DISEASE OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN.
PARI-MUTUEL BETTING

Background: There has been a continuing effort to legalize pari-mutuel betting in past sessions of the Minnesota legislature and we have every reason to believe that this effort will be continued in the next session. Since such past studies as the “White Paper” of the Minnesota Council of Churches and others indicate that the practice of pari-mutuel betting has many detrimental effects, we are of the firm belief that the evils of gambling will and do far outweigh any benefits argued in favor of such practices.

RESOLUTION: THE MINNESOTA CONFERENCE TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTION TO BRING ABOUT THE DEFEAT OF ANY LEGISLATIVE BILLS IN THE NEXT SESSION OF THE MINNESOTA LEGISLATURE THAT WOULD ALLOW PARI-MUTUEL BETTING OR GAMBLING OF ANY KIND IN OUR STATE; THAT ALL CHURCHES, THEIR MEMBERS AND CONSTITUENTS BE INFORMED OF ANY SUCH BILLS AND BE ORGANIZED TO WAGE A STRONG STATE-WIDE CAMPAIGN TO PREVENT THE PASSAGE OF SUCH BILLS; THAT OUR CHURCH’S INFLUENCE BE BROUGHT TO BEAR UPON OTHER DENOMINATIONS, SOLICITING AND ENCOURAGING THEIR COOPERATION IN THIS MATTER.

RACIAL INTERMARRIAGE

Background: Our society tends to reject people who choose to marry interracially and children of such marriages are rejected by our society. There is nothing biblically, theologically and morally wrong with the principle of racial intermarriage and in fact if the marriage is one of true love and honest commitment (as all marriages should be) then God approves of it and gives his blessing.

RESOLUTION: THE CHURCH OUGHT TO HELP PEOPLE WHO MARRY INTERRACIALLY AND THEIR CHILDREN BY USING ITS MORAL INFLUENCE TO PROTECT AND SUPPORT THESE PERSONS.

RESOLUTION: THE CHURCH SHOULD ENCOURAGE ITS MEMBERS AND OTHERS TO ADOPT RACIALLY MIXED CHILDREN.

ABORTION

Background: The existing law of Minnesota states that abortion may not be performed on any woman unless it is necessary to preserve her life. This inflexible stand does not protect the lives or health of women and their existing families, and does not permit doctors to exercise their best medical judgment in accordance with the highest standards of medical practice. This law discriminates against the poor, as the affluent can go abroad for abortions.

RESOLUTION: THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH URGE THE LEGISLATURE TO REPEAL THE EXISTING ABORTION LAWS OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA AND PLACE ABORTION PROCEDURES UNDER THE MEDICAL PRACTICES ACT.

RESOLUTION: WE GO ON RECORD FAVORING A UNIFORM ABORTION POLICY IN ALL FIFTY STATES.

POPULATION EXPLOSION IN THE UNITED STATES

Background: It is imperative that we come to grips with the problem of increasing population in this country. A 1% increase does not seem large until we realize that it means that we add about the population of the State of Minnesota to our nation each year. This growth adds increasing pressure in areas where our problems are...
already severe. Some examples are increasing demands for electric power and sewage disposal, more pupils for our schools, more people in our swollen cities where overcrowding lowers the quality of housing and elevates the level of crime. It also makes for greater loads for our mass transit systems, increases demand for automobiles which overload our roads and even increases the trash that litters the countryside.

It should be clear that we cannot afford this kind of growth when we have been so unsuccessful in coping with these problems with our present population. It is not likely that we will be successful in asking the rest of the world to control its population until we have demonstrated a willingness to control our own.

RESOLUTION: WE RECOMMEND A NATIONAL GOAL OF NO POPULATION INCREASE, TO BE ACHIEVED BY SEEKING TO LIMIT FAMILIES TO TWO CHILDREN.

EXTREMISM

Background: There is growing concern in our nation, in our state, in our communities and in our churches over the attempts of many groups and individuals to polarize public opinion through extremist statements and activities, both of the far right and the far left. Because we believe that one of the major missions of the Christian Church is to be an agent of reconciliation (II Corinthians 5: 18) not only of man to God, but of man to his fellow man, it is necessary for us to take the initiative to seek a better climate for reconciliation and to provide the leadership which is necessary in this endeavor.

One of the most difficult problems in the entire area of extremism is that the very word “extremist” has different connotations to different persons. After examining many of the almost unlimited materials available we would like to share with you portions of one of the leaflets published by the National Congress of Parents and Teachers. It is concise, clear and applies to both right and left extremism.

A. EXTREMIST GROUPS

Most of us believe in the right of others to hold and to express views, even extreme ones, that differ from our own, Extremist groups try to stifle free expression of views opposed to their own.

Most of us believe that free access to information and a diversity of opinions are essential in a democracy. Extremist groups try to purge school and public libraries of publications that are objectionable to them. Most of us believe the public schools should not indoctrinate students in the political, economic, religious or social views of any group. Extremist groups put pressures on schools to adopt courses and textbooks that reflect their views.

Most of us believe that criticism of public institutions and officials is healthy, but that criticism should be informed, constructive and based on facts. Extremist groups make irresponsible, venomous and near-libelous attacks on individuals, institutions and organizations that disagree with them.

Most of us believe that political, social and economic change should be brought about by legal, democratic procedures, Extremist groups use coercion, intimidation and even violence to prevent or force change.

Most of us believe that patience, good will and intelligent, cooperative effort are needed to deal with complicated issues and problems. Extremist groups are likely to believe there are easy, simple, fast solutions to complex problems and to advocate oversimplified, very often dangerous, measures.

Most of us believe in rule by the majority, subject to criticism by a “loyal opposition.” Extremist groups believe in rule by their own minority and label any opposition as disloyal.
B. TACTICS OF EXTREMIST GROUPS

1. Front groups—Extremist groups set up front organizations with high-sounding, patriotic names to promote their views.

2. Free speakers—They offer to provide free speakers in order to spread their propaganda.

3. Infiltration—They infiltrate democratic organizations like the PTA and try to capture key positions like the program chairmanship. They send representatives to meetings with prepared, loaded, unanswerable questions to harass speakers whose views differ from theirs. They prolong meetings so they can make minority decisions after the worn-out majority has gone home.

4. “Divide and conquer”—They try to discredit state and national organizations and create distrust of their leadership in order to isolate local associations and capture control of them. They encourage irrelevant programs and debates over organizational details to disrupt the work of an organization and divert it from its own productive activities.

5. Blacklisting and labeling—They probe into the personal history and political affiliations of educators, clergymen and authors and label as “subversive”, “un-American”, “radical” those whose beliefs and affiliations differ from theirs.

6. Hysteria and fear—They create fear and insecurity by highly emotional, inflammatory charges of subversive influences in schools, government and community organizations.

7. Coercion and intimidation—They threaten investigations of school administrators, teachers, librarians and members of school and library boards who resist pressures for conformity to their views. Some groups use social ostracism, economic pressures and even violence to silence disagreement and impose their views on a community.

8. Misrepresentation—They make false charges and use quotations taken out of context. They distribute smear literature and poison-pen pamphlets, usually imported from outside the community.

Reprints of this material may be obtained from the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, 700 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, for 15 cents each or $5.00 per 100 copies.

POLLUTION

Background: There can be few people in our society today who have not become aware of the staggering implications of our continued failure to control pollution of all kinds and to become better stewards of the earth which God has given us. To aid the churches we will:

(1) Develop a set of guidelines which will aid local churches to organize and carry out a local church Conference on Ecology.

(2) Petition General Conference to designate one Sunday each year as Ecology Sunday. We have suggested that this Sunday be the same as Rural Life Sunday.

RESOLUTION: URGE THAT LETTERS AND TELEGRAMS BE SENT FROM THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE TO THE PRESIDENT, THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, OUR TWO SENATORS, AND ALL OF THE CONGRESSMEN FROM MINNESOTA, URGING A RESHAPING OF OUR NATIONAL SPENDING PRIORITIES TO INCLUDE VASTLY ENLARGED SUMS OF FEDERAL MONEY TO FINANCE THE FIGHT AGAINST POLLUTION.

BIRTH CONTROL THROUGH STERILIZATION

RESOLUTION: That United Methodists consider voluntary sterilization as an acceptable method of birth control.
RESOLUTION: That, because a vasectomy for a male is a simpler surgical procedure than a laparoscopy for a female, we (suggest) that male sterilization be given equal consideration with the sterilization of females. PASSED!

"BAGGIE BILL"

RESOLUTION: That the United Methodist Church vigorously support the concept of screening motor vehicle drivers (now being called the Baggie Bill) as proposed by the Minnesota and Metropolitan Safety Councils, and strongly urge adoption of amendments by the 1971 Minnesota Legislature of Minnesota statutes 169.121 and 171.08.

PUBLIC SCHOOL LEGISLATION

RESOLUTION: That the Minnesota Annual Conference take all necessary action to urge the Minnesota State Legislature to enact change in public school-aid formula, change in teacher contract negotiations, change in policies which would inhibit adequate facilitating of Urban Education.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL CONCERNS

RESOLUTION: That we observe the second Sunday in November to emphasize drug and alcohol concerns for the purpose of:

a. educating our people on the nature and extent of alcohol and drug abuse problems from theological, ethical, and sociological perspectives.

b. fostering understanding and acceptance of the dimensions of Christian responsibility, especially with addictive and dependency disorders.

RESOLUTION: That we support and become involved with:

a. the public schools in their curriculum for teachers, pupils and parents.

b. community-wide efforts to provide services and facilities that are preventive as well as rehabilitive.

c. that we ourselves individually exercise self-discipline and watchful concern over habit formations that might jeopardize a Christian witness.

PENALTY OF POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA

RESOLUTION: Dangers have not been shown to be great enough to justify felony penalty. Laws are not enforced to the degree which they are written and the people involved are not observing the law. The United Methodist Conference of the United Methodist Church (Minnesota Annual) supports a revision of the penalty for possession and sale of marijuana to a more realistic level; that of a misdemeanor instead of a felony.

THE CHURCH AND TAX EXEMPTIONS

Background:
The General Conference of the United Methodist Church has spoken to the churches in these words:

"We urge churches to consider at least the following factors in determining their response to the granting of immunity from property taxes:

1. Responsibility to make appropriate contribution, in lieu of taxes for essential services provided by the government;

2. The danger that churches become so dependent upon government that they compromise their integrity or fail to exert their critical influence upon public policy.

"We support the abolition of all special privileges accorded to members of the clergy in American tax laws and regulations; and call upon the churches to deal with the consequent financial implications for their ministers. Conversely, we believe that all forms of discrimination against members of the clergy in
American tax legislation and administrative regulations should be discontinued. We do not believe that the status of an individual under ecclesiastical law or practice ought to be the basis of governmental action either granting or withholding a special tax benefit.

(Daily Christian Advocate, May 1, 1968, page 459, No. 261)

RESOLUTION:
WE ACCEPT THE PRINCIPLE THAT CHURCHES DO HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAKING APPROPRIATE CONTRIBUTIONS IN LIEU OF TAXES FOR ESSENTIAL SERVICES RENDERED BY THE GOVERNMENT. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS REFERS NOT ONLY TO LOCAL CHURCHES BUT TO ANNUAL CONFERENCES WHICH OWN PROPERTY. WE ENCOURAGE THE RESPECTIVE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO BRING THIS PRINCIPLE TO BEAR IN THEIR EXECUTION OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PROPERTIES THEY HOLD. WE ASK THAT FISCAL 1973 REFLECT THE DECISION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MINNESOTA ANNUAL CONFERENCE, AND THAT IT BE A TARGET DATE FOR LOCAL CHURCH BOARDS OF TRUSTEES. WE FURTHER REQUEST THAT THE TRUSTEES OF THE MINNESOTA ANNUAL CONFERENCE BRING AN UP-DATED ESTIMATE OF COST TO THE 1971 SESSION OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE. WE ACCEPT THE PRINCIPLE THAT THE STATUS OF AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER ECCLESIASTICAL LAW OR PRACTICE SHOULD NOT BE THE BASIS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTION EITHER GRANTING OR WITHHOLDING A SPECIAL TAX BENEFIT. WE ENCOURAGE OUR MEMBERSHIP TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION ON THE STATE AND NATIONAL LEVEL THAT REFLECTS THIS PRINCIPLE.

Background: Many resolutions are passed which remain in the record without action. Members of local churches sometimes are not informed of any conference proceedings.

RESOLUTION: THAT THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS TAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO DEVELOP METHODS OF STIMULATING THE LOCAL CHURCH TO TAKE THE PROPOSALS AND RESOLUTIONS SERIOUSLY, AND DEVELOP THEM INTO ACTION.

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 609
RESOLUTION: THAT THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF MINNESOTA SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT:
SEC.—(A) UNLESS THE CONGRESS SHALL HAVE DECLARED WAR, NO PART OF ANY FUNDS APPROPRIATED PURSUANT TO THIS ACT OR ANY OTHER LAW SHALL BE EXPENDED IN VIETNAM AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1970, FOR ANY PURPOSE ARISING FROM MILITARY CONFLICT; PROVIDED THAT, FUNDS MAY BE EXPENDED AS REQUIRED FOR THE SAFE AND SYSTEMATIC WITHDRAWAL OF ALL UNITED STATES MILITARY PERSONNEL, THE TERMINATION OF UNITED STATES MILITARY OPERATIONS, THE PROVISION OF SUCH ASSISTANCE TO SOUTH VIETNAM IN AMOUNTS AND FOR PURPOSES SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED BY CONGRESS, THE EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS, AND THE ARRANGEMENT OF ASYLUM FOR VIETNAMESE WHO MIGHT BE PHYSICALLY ENDANGERED BY THE WITHDRAWAL OF UNITED STATES FORCES, AND FURTHER PROVIDED, THAT THE WITHDRAWAL OF UNITED STATES MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM VIETNAM SHALL BE COMPLETED NO LATER THAN JUNE 30, 1971, UNLESS THE CONGRESS BY JOINT RESOLUTION, APPROVES A FINDING BY THE PRESIDENT THAT AN ADDITIONAL STATED PERIOD OF TIME IS REQUIRED TO INSURE THE SAFETY OF SUCH PERSON.
NEL DURING THE WITHDRAWAL PROCESS.

(B) UNLESS CONGRESS SHALL HAVE DECLARED WAR, NO PART OF ANY FUNDS APPROPRIATED PURSUANT TO THIS ACT OR ANY OTHER LAW SHALL BE EXPENDED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1970, TO FURNISH TO LAOS ANY MILITARY ADVISORS, OR TO SUPPORT MILITARY OPERATIONS BY THE FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER COUNTRY IN OR OVER LAOS.

(C) UNLESS CONGRESS SHALL HAVE DECLARED WAR, NO PART OF ANY FUNDS APPROPRIATED PURSUANT TO THIS ACT OR ANY OTHER LAW SHALL BE EXPENDED, AFTER 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF ENACTMENT OF THIS ACT, TO FURNISH TO CAMBODIA ANY DEFENSE ARTICLE OR ANY MILITARY ASSISTANCE OR ADVISORS, OR TO SUPPORT MILITARY OPERATIONS BY THE FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER COUNTRY IN OR OVER CAMBODIA.


CARLTON RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION: WE CALL ON THE LOCAL CHURCHES TO INITIATE DIALOGUE BETWEEN STUDENTS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION AND COMMUNITY BY INVITING STUDENTS TO PRESENT THEIR VIEWS TO THE CONGREGATION AND PARTICIPATE IN DIALOGUE WITH THEM. TO BEGIN THIS DIALOGUE, WE PROPOSE THAT SEVERAL SUNDAYS IN THE NEAR FUTURE BE DESIGNATED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MACALESTER RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION: WE SUPPORT THE PASSAGE OF A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION BY THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE UNITED STATES SENATE (SUCH AS HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 613) REAFFIRMING THIS NATION'S SUPPORT OF THE UNITED NATION'S PEACE-KEEPING AND PEACE-MAKING ROLE AND DECLARING THAT IT IS THE POLICY OF THIS NATION TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE AND URGE THAT:

A. THE UNITED NATIONS SEND AN INTERNATIONAL SUPERVISORY FORCE TO INDOCHINA TO EFFECT AND MAINTAIN A CEASE-FIRE;
B. THE SUPERVISORY FORCE INTERPOSE BETWEEN DISPUTANTS AND IMPLEMENT PHASED WITHDRAWAL OF ALL EXTERNAL FORCES;
C. AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF ALL INTERESTED PARTIES, INCLUDING DISPUTANTS, BE CONVENED IMMEDIATELY, WITHOUT PRIOR CONDITIONS, TO ENACT A POLITICAL SOLUTION FOR ALL OF INDOCHINA;
D. A UNITED NATIONS INDOCHINA RELIEF AGENCY BE ENACTED TO SOLICIT FUNDS AND VOLUNTEERS TO AID THE AREA IN RECOVERY AND DEVELOPMENT.

WE COMMEND THE ACTION OF A GROUP OF COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY STUDENTS FROM THE STATE OF MINNESOTA IDENTIFIED AS THE COMMITTEE FOR UNITED NATIONS ACTION IN INDOCHINA IN ADVOCATING THIS COURSE OF ACTION AND IN SUPPORT OF THEIR EFFORTS URGE THAT:
A. EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT BE MADE TO INFORM THE MEMBERS OF THE CHURCHES MAKING UP THIS CONFERENCE OF THIS ACTION AND ENLIST THEIR SUPPORT OF IT;

B. THIS CONFERENCE, WORKING THROUGH THE MINNESOTA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, SEEK TO ENLIST THE SUPPORT OF OTHER DENOMINATIONS IN THE STATE;


D. THE APPROPRIATE OFFICERS OF THIS CONFERENCE URGE THE DELEGATES FROM THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH TO THE GENERAL BOARD OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES TO OBTAIN THE SUPPORT OF THAT BODY.

CIVIL LIBERTIES AND DISSENT

Background: Our society for the past two decades has been accumulating the effects of cultural change. The rapidity of change, the accumulation of technological innovation, the multiplication of contrasting life styles, the polarization of ideologies and the subsequent decline in authority of traditional methods of social control have produced what is described by social scientists as "culture shock."

Accompanying this "culture shock" is the understandable tendency on part of many people to suppress the seemingly obvious means by which this social change is brought into our society. Such suppression, it is felt, will thwart what is perceived to be the destruction of "our way of life."

There are numerous examples of the conflict between those who seek change and those who feel they are preserving the value of what we have known: the invasion of a University professor's home without a warrant thus interrupting a fund raising effort to protest the ABM installation; the shootings at Kent and Jackson State Colleges; the rise of the Black Panthers and the subsequent efforts to remove them forcibly from the community; the spending of cities across the nation on riot armament when monies could be spent in determining the cause of violence; the many measures now being advanced through the Federal Justice Department to "expedite" the prosecution of law and order (e.g., preventive detention, search without a warrant, elimination of bail, and so forth); and the effort of many cities to collect dossiers on each individual identified in any protest or meeting of dissent.

It is a well-known maxim in criminology that every society has the crime it deserves. A corollary to that maxim might be that every society has the liberty it is willing to tolerate. When a people is not willing to tolerate what they deem excessive, the attempt to control that excess is made. The examples given above illustrate some of those methods of control. Such methods are often used because it is perceived that this is what will be tolerated and desired by the majority of Americans.

"The Politics of Protest," a section of the National Commission on Causes and Prevention of Violence, concludes with these words:

An approach that gives equal emphasis to force and reform fails to measure the anticipated consequences of employing force; and it fails to appreciate the political significance of protest. If American society concentrates on the development of more sophisticated control techniques, it will move itself into a destructive and self-defeating position. A democratic society cannot depend upon force as its recurrent answer to long-standing and legitimate grievances. This nation cannot have it
both ways; either it will carry through a firm commitment to massive and widespread political and social reform, or it will develop into a society of garrison cities where order is enforced without due process of law and without the consent of the governed.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Church is basic to the creation and articulation of values. It must therefore be enabled to speak clearly and, at times, unequivocally to those values which both preserve the best of what has been, but also enables people to understand that all human institutions are under the judgment of God and can be improved. Before addressing ourselves to matters of society as a whole the Church must look to itself and God’s Will for it. Two recommendations are in order.

A. The Church needs to articulate a theology that maximizes personal dignity in the flux of present social change. This is something other than either the advocacy of specific social reform or the judgment of unjust institutions, important as those are. This must be the attempt to find and work for continuities of value patterns. We must trace the path from that which is important in the old order and that which now finds resonance in a new expression in an emerging new order. Today’s Christian might well adapt the stance of Jesus Christ: “I came not to destroy the law, but to fulfill it.”

B. In the establishing of ways leading to new styles of life the ordained ministry is in a uniquely vulnerable situation. The forces in society at large that would suppress and fear what it does not yet understand operate also within the life of the Church. In order to insure a continuity of witness to relevant and needful values, there should be established an arbitration panel to review any new appointment a pastor may receive if that pastor feels he is being appointed to another charge in order to avoid facing issues which need to be faced. Such a panel would be activated only at the request of the individual pastor in question. The panel would consist of the following: one clergyman appointed by the Bishop, one clergyman who is a member of the Board of Social Concerns, one clergyman named by the pastor in question, the Chairman of the Pastor-Parish Relations Committee of the local church in question, a layman chosen by the pastor in question, and a lay member of the Board of Social Concerns. The pastor in question would be a part of the panel with voting privileges. The Bishop could reconsider the appointment upon a vote of the majority of the arbitration panel.

2. We commend and endorse those who are advocating the updating of law enforcement practices to more humane methods in line with the findings of behavioral sciences; the random sample method of jury selection that is now gaining increasing acceptance in Minnesota Courts; those who are working for increased facilities in trial procedures that expedite due process of law, who advocate greater resources to defend people of little or no economic means and who are making our prisons institutions of genuine reform.

3. We urge all people to oppose measures presently being advocated in the name of law and order that would lead to preventive detention and the searching of homes without warrant; to oppose the increasing complications necessary for peaceable assembly for purposes of protest and dissent; and to oppose wiretapping and electronic surveillance.
4. We urge the Federal Communications Commission to increase the mandatory amount of time spent by radio and TV for public affairs broadcasting. We urge major communications media (particularly that of television) to mount an effort to bring together in prime time television dissident elements of our community so that they may face each other for all to see and evaluate. Riots, protests, demonstrations are becoming counter-productive. If violence is to be minimized, new structure of communication must be utilized. We call upon television to use its great potential to inform the public and provide the arena for a more peacable and rational approach to the social changes pouring in upon us.

PROJECT EQUALITY

We urge a renewed effort on the part of Minnesota United Methodists to participate more completely in Project Equality. Plans have been developed to enlist district leadership in an effort to contact every local church which has not yet entered the program and ask them to consider it once again. There is continued effort to encourage all conference-related institutions to become a part of Project Equality. James Schneider is serving as Project Equality Co-ordinator for United Methodism in Minnesota.

Project Equality is a joint effort on the part of over 1,500 congregations of all denominations in Minnesota, to encourage fair employment practices in the companies with whom they do business. Quality, cost, service, and hiring practices should all be considered legitimate factors in determining where to buy. Currently, over 900 companies in Minnesota have signed commitments to the principles of hiring minority personnel who are qualified and available. (At present about 25%, or 104 United Methodist congregations are committed.) Project Equality has found the support of such well known Minnesota companies as General Mills, Pacific Gamble Robinson, Coca Cola, Minnegasco, and the Northern States Power Co. Mr. Donald Peddie, Personnel Director of the Minneapolis Star and Tribune, speaks highly about Project Equality, as does Mr. C. E. Jurgenson of Minnegasco. Congregations who are interested in examining or re-examining their attitude toward Project Equality are encouraged to check with the office in the Church Center (336-3397) to secure the names of speakers who might be able to assist them, both from the Project Equality point of view and from the cooperating companies' points of view.

Project Equality, with a more realistic budget for 1970, made possible by increased support from the 14 cooperating denominations (including Roman Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant, Jewish) will be able to do much more in keeping congregations informed of its efforts. (The United Methodist share in this is approximately three cents per member.) Informed people are much more capable of supporting a worthy project.

With better funding, cooperating companies will also be receiving more help from the administrators of Project Equality in carrying out their commitments to be equal opportunity employers. "Compliance review" is the technical phrase to describe the kind of assistance which the administration offers a company who is serious about using the skills of all people, regardless of their race or national background.

Contingent upon administrative policy to be reviewed June 30, 1970, our own United Methodist Annual Conference here in Minnesota will be acting to accomplish two goals:

1. Inform all congregations of the goals and methods of operation of Project Equality, encouraging commitment to it.
2. Establish a method of keeping congregations informed of actions which are taking place. These goals will be implemented using the insights of District Directors of Social Concerns who will be planning their strategy early in the fall of 1970.

So that you might know what the Board of Christian Social Concerns has been doing this year, let us review our activities and plans for the future.

—A Conscientious Objector’s Review Committee chaired by Oley Wilson has been established and has met with young men of draft age throughout the conference.

—Arturo Vilankulu of the Mozambique Free Front spent five days at the conference speaking to 15 church and student groups. Mrs. Ralph Howe made the arrangements.

—The United Nations Seminar guided by Deane Postlethwaite and the Washington Seminar led by Gary Bruening challenged 150 young people to greater interest and involvement in their world.

—A Religion and Race Task Force chaired by Wilbur Grose has arranged for a three-phase program to be led by the national Commission on Religion and Race in the fall of 1970.

—Howard Bredesen has worked with the Plymouth Youth Center in developing a “Journey to the City” program to familiarize outstate young people with the metropolitan area.

—We have cooperated with the Minnesota Council of Churches’ Department of Social Action, the Minnesota Council on Alcohol Problems, the Minnesota Council on Religion and Race and Project Equality in carrying out our responsibilities.

—Manning Van Nostrand has been asked by the board to promote environmental education in the conference. We have approached a Minnesota college and the Minnesota Council of Churches to sponsor a state-wide seminar on ecology. In order to be fully informed and supportive of others’ efforts, the board has become a member of MECCA (Minnesota Environmental Control Citizens Association), MCEI (Minnesota Committee for Environmental Information) and MERD (Minnesota Environmental Resources Council), three groups working for better care of the natural environment. We have worked for a more conscious ecological position in the “Social Creed.”

—Mrs. E. E. O’Brien will be seeking support for stronger drinking-driving legislation.

—Gary Bruening is chairing a Task Force on Extremism that will provide materials to help understand and combat extremism and plan a seminar on the subject in the spring of 1971.

The areas of responsibility assigned to the Board of Social Concerns are wide and varied. We have attempted to deal with only a few of these issues, capitalizing on the talents, interests and concerns of board members in response to our understanding of the world.

W. T. Horst, chairman

COMMISSION ON COMMUNICATION

Purpose:

—To communicate in an up-to-date way to all United Methodists in Minnesota how individuals and churches and the conference are fulfilling their Christian mission. At present only about 20,000 homes receive Together magazine with its Minnesota Area News Edition inserted. It takes about four weeks
for the publication to arrive in Minnesota homes after it is sent in for printing. A conference publication printed in Minnesota could provide the news while it is news.

-To provide a sounding board for current issues in the church through printing of provocative statements and responses and letters to the editor.

Content:

- Action news... what individuals are doing in fulfilling their mission as Christians.
- Action pictures, cartoons, graphics.
- Provocative statements, usually quoted from some other source, with reactions from at least two people printed with the statement.
- Letters to the editor in response to above or on other issues.
- Mostly Minnesota news—some news of the general church.
- Minimum emphasis on programs of boards, agencies, etc., except where they can be developed into an interesting news story.
- NO calendar of events, built-in sections such as women's page, age groups, etc.
- Light, folksy writing, without being flippanat.

Proposed name: Minnesota United Methodist HAPPENINGS

Proposal:

To print and distribute one issue of 60,000 copies in the spring of 1970. Use it as sample in proposal to Annual Conference. If conference approves future publication, two issues in the fall of 1970 and ten issues in 1971.

Estimated cost for four-page, tabloid size paper, one issue:

First issue, most of work done by present conference staff; professional as editorial and layout adviser; bulk delivery to churches: $2,200

Future issues if outside editor and clerical help are hired; bulk delivery to churches: $2,700

Additional costs after first few issues if change is made to desired individual mailing list: $350

Plus initial preparation of addressing stencils: $3,600

Financing: to paid for by subscription.

Other Forms of Communication

2. Share with other agencies in improving person to person communications in Minnesota Conference.
3. Utilize more fully the opportunities of radio and TV through better use of available persons on regular programs. Develop some 30 second “spots” for TV and radio.
4. Continue news releases to daily and weekly press.

THE MUTUAL BENEFIT INSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

“I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will tell of all thy wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in thee, I will sing praise to thy name, O Most High.” Psalms 9:1-2.
The Mutual Benefit Insurance Society has had a good business year. The treasurer's annual report to the Board of Directors, as of December 31st, 1969, showed total receipts of $13,281.07, with disbursements of $4,409.75. This resulted in an addition to reserves of $8,871.32. Our total reserves as of December 31st, 1969 were $122,399.57.

The secretary's report showed a total of $2,427,795.00 of insurance. The amount of reinsurance carried of this total is $332,200.00. So Mutual Benefit Insurance Society is carrying a risk hazard of $2,095,595.00.

During the year 1969 we have revised our Constitution, so that we have been accepted as an auxiliary organization of the Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church. The Board of Directors, through the efforts of the secretary, have secured an agreement with the Preferred Risk Mutual Insurance Company of Des Moines, Iowa to write jointly with them a Special Multi-Peril Church Policy, with each company contributing to and accepting designated risk hazards covered by this policy. There are still several legal items to be solved before we can offer this to our congregations, but we hope during 1970 we will be able to make this available.

The Board of Directors have voted to increase the amount of a loan from our reserves from the former $10,000.00 to a maximum of $20,000.00 and have set the interest rate at 5 1/2 %. These loans are available to all Minnesota United Methodist congregations but are limited to the amount of money available—50% of our reserves.

We do wish to thank the ministers for their cooperation; without this cooperation we could not operate as efficiently as we are.

B. C. Siewert, President. R. E. Wordelman, Secretary.

The Members of the Board of Directors, as of December 31st, 1969 are,

Class of 1971—R.E. Marks, Harold Kraft, A.N. Kleinhuizen.
Class of 1972—H.F. Cook, B.C. Siewert, Reuben E. Wordelman.

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President—B.C. Siewert, Vice President—A.N. Kleinhuizen
Secretary—R.E. Wordelman, Treasurer—R.E. Marks,

CONFERENCE BOARD OF PENSIONS

1. That the Annuity Rate for the calendar year of 1971 be $60.00 from the funded program; $5.00 per year of service from the Layman's Fund; $1.00 per year of service from Pensions, Inc. (this is in addition to the $40,000.00 given by Pensions Inc. toward the funded program); and $2.00 per year of service from the "Deposit Account", making a total of $68.00 per year of service.

2. That we approve Ernest A. Fritschle's years of service, February 1964 to September 1965, and grant him pension credit in the Minnesota Annual Conference for that period.


4. That the Hospital-Medical Expense Insurance subsidy be increased to $25.00 per quarter beginning January 1, 1971.
5. That the annuity rate for full-time Lay Pastors be the same as for the regular Conference claimants.

6. The General Board of Pensions furnish the Conference Secretary a list of all changes in additional years of service granted to claimants of our conference, to be printed in the Conference Journal.

7. That the report of the Treasurer of the Conference Board of Pensions be printed in the minutes without reading.

ANNUAL MEETING OF MINNESOTA CONFERENCE PENSIONS, INC.

The annual corporate session of Minnesota Conference Pensions, Inc., was held in Skoglund Athletic Center at St. Olaf College at 9:30 a.m. on Thurs., June 11, 1970, with Bishop Paul A. Washburn presiding.

Clifford Wittstruck, executive secretary, reported that the General Board of Pensions 6% interest on our funds had amounted to almost $28,000 during the seven months ending Dec. 31, 1969, and that therefore we could expect about $48,000 interest income for the full year ending May 31, 1970. Of this amount our directors had voted to appropriate $40,000 toward the funding of the $60 per year of service basic pension annuity, and of the balance enough to provide an additional $1 per year of service.

As of Dec. 31, 1969, our funds for investment totalled $815,120.33. Mr. Wittstruck reported several known trust funds and bequests totalling some $250,000 that will eventually come to our pension fund. Also some $40,000 of former E.U.B. resources will be added to the fund. A Mr. Root, in proposing to include our fund in his will in the amount of $62,000, had described it as "a pittance". Mr. Wittstruck assured him that we do not regard such generous gifts as "pittances"!

Carl Mahle, secretary, referred to the offer of a year ago to help our retired men recover, as a federal income tax deduction, the amounts they had paid toward our pension fund prior to 1945, the year of our entering the Reserve Pension Fund plan. He reported further developments:

"Soon after conference last summer we asked of, and received from, our General Board of Pensions the detailed information to help the retired minister recover, tax-free, against his pension income, all personal contributions he made toward the pension program of the conferences he had served. For federal income tax purposes this recovery may be made within three years from the date of his first pension payment.

"Accordingly we duplicated this information and sent a copy to each of the eighteen ministers of this conference who had retired in the three preceding years. Along with it we sent the record of whatever contributions he had made to our permanent pension fund up to 1945. We shall do this again for those sixteen ministers who are retiring this year. The record of their 3% of salary contributions under the Reserve Pension plan they may secure from the General Board of Pensions."

Mr. Mahle then made the following motions, all of which were seconded, and approved by the vote of the members of the corporation:

1. That the minutes of our 1969 annual corporate session, as recorded on Pages 150 and 151 of the 1969 Conference Journal and Yearbook, be approved without reading.

2. That we elect these persons nominated to be directors in the Class of 1973: Wilfred Plummer, Donald Germain, Charles Joe, Edwin Bissell, and Norman Jentink.

3. That the following officers elected by the directors be approved by this
corporation: Norman Jentink, president; Roscoe Haining, vice-president; Clifford Wittstruck, executive secretary; Edwin Bissell, treasurer; and Carl Mahle, secretary.

4. That we express to Orval C. Dittes our appreciation of his excellent work in preparing and sending the Christmas newsletter to our retired men and women, and our hope that he will be able to continue in this special ministry.

A motion to adjourn the corporate session was approved.

Carl W. Mahle, Secretary

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE 1970 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The conference treasurer's report consists of the four following parts: a description of the purview of the Office of Conference Treasurer, a report on the treasurer's activities during the year 1969, a report of changes made in conference treasurer's staff, and the financial reports for 1969. Because the Office of the Conference Treasurer is uniquely constituted in the Minnesota Annual Conference and, because therefore, there is no place either in The DISCIPLINE or the Conference Journal of the Minnesota Annual Conference where the duties and responsibilities of the Treasurer are fully described, it seems in order to begin this report with a description of the purview of the conference treasurer's office.

I. Purview

In electing to constitute the conference treasury as the depository for all conference-related boards and agencies not separately incorporated within the State of Minnesota, the Minnesota Annual Conference transferred to the conference treasurer's charge the funds normally held by from 35 to 40 part-time treasurers around the state. In terms of responsibilities, this election made the conference treasurer accountable to up to 40 different organizations within the annual conference, in addition to the Commission on World Service and Finance and the Council on World Service and Finance. Translating this into statistical terms for 1969, this means that the conference treasurer's office received over 7000 checks totaling $2,679,599.00. These checks were deposited and duly credited to over 1000 separate accounts in the treasurer's books. Approximately 5000 checks were written, disbursing $2,618,729.00, and were charged to over 1250 accounts. Over 160 detailed treasurer's reports were prepared for the various organizations to whom the conference treasurer is responsible, some of them, as in the cases of the Board of Missions and the Board of Trustees, were from six to ten pages in length. Detailed accounts were maintained for each of the 455 local churches of the Minnesota Annual Conference and a monthly statement was mailed to each church treasurer and pastor. A report was made monthly to each district superintendent, showing the remittances received from each church on his district. This very general description of the scope of the conference treasurer's responsibilities excludes two areas of responsibility which are extraordinarily demanding, namely, the Board of Trustees and the Program Council.

The function of the Board of Trustees is to hold and manage real estate owned by the annual conference, and to receive and hold in trust all donations, bequests and devises, of any kind or character, real or personal, that may be given, devised, bequeathed or conveyed to the annual conference and to administer all such property and funds on behalf of the annual conference. The function of the conference treasurer as the treasurer for the Board of Trustees is to take charge of funds and serve as the executor, and
to maintain the records of the real assets and liabilities of the annual conference. The cash and real assets of the annual conference entrusted to the Board of Trustees totaled $2,255,129.00, as of 12/31/69. The liabilities incurred on behalf of the annual conference totaled $441,163.00, and the fund equities (including equities in real property) totaled $1,813,966.00. The treasurer serves also on the Sub-committee on Investments of the Board of Trustees and, in accord with the guidelines agreed upon in this committee, is responsible for the investments of funds entrusted to the Board of Trustees. This management of funds, along with the collection and record keeping involved in the maintenance of the Loans Receivable accounts of the Permanent Church Extension Loan Fund, the disbursements for the parsonage repairs and mortgage payments, the maintenance of records and of permanent files documenting the transactions in regard to real assets and liabilities and the various donations, bequests and devises held in trust, and the preparation of detailed reports to the Trustees represents a considerable investment of the conference treasurer's time. The Program Council, too, demands much of the conference treasurer's time.

The conference treasurer is a non-voting member of the Program Council, a member of the Executive Committee of the Program Council and served also in 1969 on the Executive Committee's Sub-Committees on Wage Scales for Secretaries, on Office Layout, and on Budget. During the six month period from July 1st through December 31, 1969, an estimated 120 hours were spent in attending meetings and in activities relating to these responsibilities. In addition, the conference treasurer also served as the Office Manager and the Director of Clerical Personnel for the Program Staff until December, when, at the request of the Treasurer, the Executive Committee reassigned the Office Manager responsibility to the Program Director's portfolio. Up until the reassignment, an estimated 40% of the Treasurer's time was involved in activities relating to these responsibilities.

In describing the purview of the Conference Treasurer, some of the conference treasurer's activities during 1969 have also been described. However, these few examples hardly suffice to describe what happened in 1969.

II. Activities

Nineteen hundred and sixty-nine was a soul-stretching but satisfying year for the conference treasurer. The year divides quite naturally into the pre-conference period, and the post-conference period.

The pre-conference period was filled with the closing of the books for 1968; preparing the year-end reports; working with the auditors; opening the books for 1969; receiving funds and disbursing funds; making reports; attending meetings; working with various boards, commissions, and committees in providing historical data and guidance for preparing the 1970 budget; preparing some 1970 budgets; assembling all 1970 budgets and preparing them for presentation; working with World Service and Finance in preparing income projections and researching and preparing data for the development of the Christian Service Fund Share Distribution formula and the formula for the district superintendents' salaries; receiving and completing the local church report to the annual conference, Table II, Financial Report; tabulating the Table II reports for printing in the conference journal; serving as a resource person at pre-conference hearings as well as at numerous meetings on Union; and working with former EUB treasurers and the chairman of World Service and Finance on plans to effect an orderly transition of the treasurers' functions from the two former conferences to the new conference, should the Union be completed. The pre-conference period was a busy one, but the post-conference period was even more so.

Immediately following the 1969 Annual Conference (the Uniting Confer-
ence) the plans for an orderly transition of treasurer’s functions so carefully prepared prior to conference were put into effect. In short order, the churches of the new Minnesota Annual Conference Of The United Methodist Church were rearranged into eight new districts, and the records of their Christian Service Fund and apportionments, the payments made towards these, and the records of all special gifts were entered into the conference treasurer’s data processing system; instructions were sent out to the former EUB church treasurers on how to remit on the new system, and beginning the first of August, each local church began receiving a monthly statement of its account with the conference treasurer, and each district superintendent a report on each church in his district; the books and funds of the former EUB conference treasurer, and the treasurers of its boards, commissions, and committees were turned over to the former Methodist conference treasurer. The books of the two former conferences were closed into a new set of books set up for the new conference as of June 30, 1969; and the 1969 budgets of the two former conferences were combined; the various capital assets held by the two former conferences were transferred into the name of the new conference (some 65 checking and savings accounts, and 6 stock accounts); applications were filed for Federal and State Employer’s numbers, for a Federal Income Tax Exemption determination as a non-profit organization, and the certification of Waiver of Exemption from Taxes (FICA) was filed; reports were prepared, meetings were attended, hundreds of letters written, and at least thousands of questions answered over the telephone. All in all, it was a very strenuous but satisfying year.

III. Changes In Staff

Early in the year, the treasurer’s executive secretary, Mrs. Marion Duffy, a highly skilled woman, was forced to leave to seek a more remunerative position. Up until this time, the treasurer's office had employed this one person as a secretary/bookkeeper, and used the half-time services of the clerk receptionist employed by the Program Staff. It had become increasingly obvious that with the concept of the central treasury and its ramifications for the conference treasurer, this was inadequate staff support for the treasurer. Consequently, upon approval of the Commission on World Service and Finance, the treasurer changed the job descriptions and assignments, and, in effect, hired an additional half person to assist in the treasurer’s office.

In considering the alternatives, the treasurer decided the best investment for staff assistance would be in a Junior Accountant and a Clerk/Bookkeeper. Early in the year Miss Doris Nystedt was hired as the Clerk/Bookkeeper, and Mrs. Donald (Maureen) Jacobson was hired as the Junior Accountant. In return for providing the stewardship director with assistance with his statistical work, he shares his secretary, Mrs. Benjamin (Alice) Greer with the treasurer. This deployment of talents has seemed to benefit both offices. During the past year, both new employees have grown satisfactorily in the knowledge necessary in doing their respective jobs well. The treasurer is satisfied that this change in personnel has been a step in the right direction, both for economy of operation and efficiency.

A number of reports have been prepared for this annual conference, but all of them were not ready in time for publication in the Conference Program and Reports. Therefore, some reports appear in the aforementioned publication and some will be included in a packet with this report. For your ready reference, a list of the reports available and where they are located follows:

A. Commission on World Service and Finance

1. Report of the Annual Conference Treasurer
2. Proposed Budget for 1971
WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE REPORT

1. The report on the audit of the conference treasurer's books was received from Larson Allen Weisher and Company CPA's and placed on file.

2. The salary of each conference employee who is a minister under appointment does include an allowance for utilities of $800 in lieu of payment of utilities.

3. Changes to the conference standing rules are being proposed to update, clarify and consolidate those sections pertaining to the Commission on World Service and Finance. These changes will be submitted through the Committee on Standing Rules.

4. All statutory reports required of this commission, including the recommended budget, are included in the reports of the conference treasurer. The conference treasurer's report is hereby made a part of the reports of this commission as is the report on 1971 Christian Service Fund Computations.

5. The transition from two conferences to one conference has been accomplished in an orderly fashion. Combining the budgets and books of a number of treasurers was not an easy task. We have asked the treasurer to include in her report a resume of what was required and what will be continued to be required of the treasurer's office. If you think of your treasurer as performing the function of controller-treasurer of a financial organization of several million dollars, you will have an idea of what we require of her.

Many changes have been made in conference financial systems over the past few years. Some functions are being performed on tabulating equipment. Computation of Christian Service Fund shares is done on a computer. Other portions of the statistics and financial systems will be transferred to tab equipment or computers whenever it becomes economical to do so.

We produce the same types of accounting statements for your conference executives as are produced by businesses of comparable size. Boards and agencies have timely information in order to keep proper check on expenditures against budget and to modify actions as required.

In addition to affording the conference with modern efficient financial reporting, the central treasury also produces more than enough income to offset its
increased cost. With all of the funds in one bank account we can keep more money at interest. Also the conference treasurer can spend the time necessary to actually manage conference investments in somewhat the same way as professional investment counselors would do. We have increasing amounts of money invested in the money market at considerably higher interest rates.

6. Two subcommittees of the commission worked all last year on:

(1) Uniform accounting and reporting by local churches in order that better information can be available to this commission as well as other conference groups.

(2) Christian Service fund computation formula to arrive at more equitable askings from each local church.

It is expected that these two committees will continue to work next year and into the future to make refinements in our formula and is to ask additional criterias as uniform accounting makes this possible.

Willis O. Kerns

MINNESOTA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST MINISTERS' WIVES ASSOCIATION

The Minnesota Conference United Methodist Ministers' Wives Association met on June 10, 1970 at St. Olaf College at Northfield.

It began with a "Fellowship Hour" in the Fireside Lounge beginning at 11:30 A.M. This was followed by the noon luncheon in the cafeteria with 183 wives in attendance.

The president, Mrs. Charles Dundas, extended a welcome and offered table grace. Bishop Paul Washburn spoke briefly expressing his appreciation for the help the minister's wife gives her husband and lay people in the work for Christ and the Church.

Following the luncheon, Mrs. Willard Allin and Mrs. Charles Dundas dramatized the "Parsonage Peanuts" skits.

The president introduced our Bishop's Wife, Mrs. Paul Washburn, who responded with a greeting. The District Superintendents' wives, the new wives in the conference, and the present officers were introduced.

Mrs. Paul Metzger reported for the Nominating Committee the following slate of officers for 1971: President: Mrs. James Minehart, Vice President: Mrs. Frederic Krueger, Secretary: Mrs. L. R. Adelman, Treasurer: Mrs. Ted Colescott.

These officers were elected by the casting of a unanimous ballot.

The Nominating Committee for 1971 was elected from the floor: Mrs. John Miller, Mrs. Dudley Keech, Mrs. Jack Parriott.

Those serving on the State Wives' Retreat Committee are: Mrs. Bruce Buller, Mrs. Allen Flohr, Mrs. Delburn Kurtz, Mrs. E. Jerry Walker, Mrs. Kenneth Wiley, Mrs. Manning Van Nostrand, Mrs. Frederic Krueger, Mrs. Dwight Hendricks.

The theme of the program was "Celebration" with appropriate name tags and table decorations. The stimulating program, under the direction of Mrs. James Minehart, consisted of group singing with guitar accompaniment, choral readings and vocal selections. The program concluded by singing the song, "Allelu".

Mrs. Marvin C. Andros, Secretary
VII. MEMOIRS

WILLIAM J. BARR

William J. Barr was born December 2, 1888 at Belfast, Ireland, the son of Samuel and Emily Barr. He passed away on May 9, 1970 at the Walker Methodist Home in Minneapolis. The funeral service was on May 12, from the Hobart United Methodist Church with Rev. Norman E. Lidke, Dr. George Butters and Rev. Arthur Hill, Jr. officiating. Burial was in Lakewood cemetery.

He attended elementary and high school in Belfast, Ireland. His college work was at Queen's University and Hamline University. He was admitted on trial in 1913, was ordained deacon and became a full member of the Minnesota Conference in 1915. He was ordained elder in 1917. He began his ministry in 1911 at the Glenwood and Villard churches. Then Buffalo 1913, Beardsley 1916, Duluth Central Ave. 1921, District Superintendent of Fergus Falls District 1934 and Prospect Park, Minneapolis 1935. He retired in 1956.

He was married on October 21, 1914 to Lillian Arrowood at Kimball, Minnesota. He is survived by his wife, Lillian of Minneapolis, two sons, Wesley Barr of Toronto, Canada, Dr. Ronald Barr of Bethesda, Md., and one daughter Mrs. Florence Westrum, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Dr. Barr, widely known as “Billie” Barr was a former trustee of Asbury Methodist Hospital and of the Wesley Student Foundation. Hamline University gave him an honorary doctor’s degree. He was a member and chairman of Draft Board 28, was past grand chaplain of Minnesota Masonic Lodges, Royal Arch Lodges and Knights Commandery. He also had served as chaplain of the Zuhrah Temple of the Shrine and State DeMolay and chaplain of the Minneapolis Optimist Club.

W. J. DAVIDSON

W. J. Davidson, the son of John William and Jane Warner Davidson was born on August 16, 1870 in Dakota County, Minnesota. He died February 28th, 1970 at the St. Peter Community Hospital. Funeral services were held March 3rd at the LeCenter United Methodist Church with Rev. Harvey Anderson, Rev. Roy Harris, Rev. Charles Dundas and Rev. E. R. Praetorius officiating. Burial was in Lake Gorman Cemetery.

He attended elementary school in Rural Stevens County and the Minneapolis School of Business. He received his call to the ministry shortly after a Billy Sunday Revival in Worthington about 1904. He started serving churches in 1909 when he went to Milroy, Amiret and Nettiewyynnt. In 1910 he went to the Methodist Churches of Deadwood and Lead in South Dakota, returning to Minnesota in 1911 to serve the Eagle Lake church, to LeCenter and Cleveland in 1913. He was married to Lydia Nelson who died during his pastorate at Ellendale and Geneva during 1915-20. He also was appointed to Delavan, 1920, Janesville, Elysian, 1921, Winthrop, 1925, Lynd, Amiret, 1927, Bigelow, 1929, Ruthton, Altoona, Verdi, 1932, LeCenter, Cleveland, 1942, Vasa, 1947, Madison Lake, 1949. He was ordained Local Deacon in 1919 and Elder in 1925. He retired in 1954.

He was married on July 10, 1923 to Margaret Reynolds in St. Paul, Minnesota. He is survived by his wife, Margaret who lives at LeCenter, Minnesota. Two sons, William of Wilmington, Delaware, T. Warner, a member of the Minnesota Conference and serving as Chaplain at the Rochester State Hospital, and two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Smith of Weston, West Virginia and Mrs. Jean Metking of Fairmont, Minnesota.

He rendered community services as follows: State Chaplain of Spanish War Veterans; Commander, Schamcastle Camp, Spanish Am. War Vets, at Waseca;
National aide on the Staff of the Commander in Chief, National Headquarters, Washington, D. C. United Spanish War Veterans and LeCenter Public School Board.

PAUL L. GROVE

Paul L. Grove was born November 18, 1883 in New York City, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Grove. He passed away on October 26, 1969 at the University Hospital in Minneapolis. Funeral service was held on October 30, 1969 at the Wesley United Methodist Church in Minneapolis with the Rev. John B. Oman officiating. Burial was in Roselawn Cemetery, St. Paul.

Tuberculosis broke up a promising business career for Paul in Chicago and led to a trip out to South Dakota and North Dakota where he taught country school, rode horse-back, took up a claim and regained his health. There the Lord called him to the ministry. He attended Dakota Wesleyan for two years, graduated from Northwestern University and from Garrett Biblical Institute in 1911. He was admitted on trial in 1910 and ordained deacon in 1911. In June of 1911 he was married to Frances Phillips at Springfield, Ill. They went to the Mission field in Korea where he became a full member of the Korean Conference in 1912 and was ordained elder in 1913. He spent the years 1911 to 1921 in Korea, the last few years as District Superintendent. Poor health caused a resignation and return to Minnesota. He became a member of the Minnesota Conference in 1921. The preaching appointments followed: Jeffers 1921, Redwood Falls 1922, Faribault 1926, St. Paul Fairmont Ave. 1932. He retired in 1951 taking a year of travel and then served North Branch from 1952 to 1957. He then moved to Minneapolis.

Preceding him in death were four of his five children and his wife, Frances on June 15, 1956. He is survived by one son, Wendell P. Grove of Cathedral City, California.

CLINTON H. S. KOCH

Clinton H. S. Koch was admitted on trial in Bengal in 1906. He was ordained deacon in 1907, full member in 1908 and elder in 1909. He served the India Mission starting in 1905, the New Mexico Mission in 1924. He became a member of the Minnesota Conference in 1928, had a sabbatical leave in 1931. He took the supernumerary relationship in 1934 and located at his own request in 1937. He was readmitted to the Minnesota Conference in 1950 and then retired in 1950.

He died on August 3, 1968 at Denver, Colorado.

FLOYD A. KUFUS

Floyd A. Kufus, son of John and Olivia (Waite) Kufus was born September 2, 1891, in Pipestone, Minnesota. He passed away November 22, 1969 at the Winsted, Minnesota hospital. Funeral service was held from the Howard Lake Methodist Church with Rev. Donald Kinzer, Rev. Carl F. Baumhofer and Rev. Roderick MacDonald officiating. Burial was in the Dassel Cemetery. He attended elementary and high school in Pipestone, Minnesota, received his BA from Hamline University and his S.T.B. from Garrett. He was united in marriage to Maude Pendergast on July 16, 1918 in Minneapolis.

He was admitted on trial in 1921, ordained deacon in 1922 and admitted to full membership and ordained elder in the Northern Minnesota Conference in 1923. He was appointed to Lake Wilson in 1920, Roscoe, Ill. in 1921, Cass Lake 1923, Moorhead 1924, Brainerd 1928, Minneapolis Lake Harriet 1932, Detroit Lakes 1934, Hutchinson-Spring Grove-Lake Jennie 1940, Hastings-Newport 1945.
and Arlington 1947. He retired in 1957. He was treasurer of the Pension Fund in the Northern Minnesota Conference and was dean at Northern Pine Institute. He was a member of Kiwanis, the American Legion and the Masonic Lodge.

He is survived by his wife, Maude, at Howard Lake, one daughter, Eleanor, Mrs. Patrick Henry of Silver Springs, Maryland, and two sons, Wayne of St. Paul and Roland of Anoka. Floyd had an illness of eight and one half years and was always patient and had a smile for everyone in spite of his condition. He was never bedridden except the last three weeks in the Winsted Hospital but during the entire illness he never walked alone. The last five years it was difficult to carry on a conversation even though his mind was perfectly clear. His last words were a struggle, from inside the oxygen tent, but he said the entire Lord's Prayer and then lapsed into a coma which lasted three days.

GEORGE EARLE MARTIN

George Earle Martin was born on July 21, 1885 at Cadiz, Ohio. His parents were William and Josephine Martin. He graduated from the Hopedale, Ohio High School and had his B.A. degree from Ohio Wesleyan University. He had also done advanced study at the University of North Dakota and at Wesley College, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

On October the 6th, 1910 he was married to Nellie M. Ortman.

Brother Martin fulfilled a meaningful ministry for his Lord Jesus Christ. He was pastor in the following places: In the North Dakota Conference, at Leeds, Cavalier and Hope. In the Minnesota Conference at Le Sueur, Plainview, Redwood Falls, Worthington and Waseca.

He was the Registrar and Chairman of the Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications for twenty years in the Minnesota Conference.

Innumerable were the worthy causes which he aided besides being a minister. He had been a Boy Scout Leader, Chairman of Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults, member of the Kiwanis Club, and a member of the Masons Lodge. Reverend Martin had also been Chairman of the Nobles County Ministerial Assn. and a Trustee of our Walker Methodist Home in Minneapolis.

A winsome, agreeable, perceptive man of God, who ever saw the needs of the individual in the crowd, and who, like his Master, ministered to that person in need. Rev. Martin passed to that higher life on Sept. 24, 1969 at Portland, Oregon. His funeral was held at Waseca, Minnesota two days later. Sharing in the funeral services were: Rev. Solomon Bass, Rev. Willard Allin, Rev. Burton Passer, Rev. James Smith and Rev. Dallas McNeil. His place of burial is in the Woodville Cemetery at Waseca, Minnesota.

Surviving him is his widow, Nellie M. Martin and two daughters, Mrs. L. D. (Earline) Anders and Mrs. C. K. (Charlotte) Anderson, both of Portland, Oregon.

He was: "A man who faced life with genuine hope; Serene and joyous beyond earth's small scope".

JOHN W. ROSSITER

John W. Rossiter, son of Isaac and Emelia Peterson Rossiter was born June 10, 1891 in Charlotte, Iowa. He passed away Monday, March 23, 1970 in Canyon, Texas. Funeral service was held from the United Methodist Church of Fairmont, Minnesota with The Rev. Clarence R. Nicholas officiating. Burial was in Fairview Memorial Park, Fairmont. He attended elementary school in Charlotte, Iowa, high school in University Park, Iowa, at the Central Holiness
University Academy and John Fletcher College and one year at Penn College, Oskaloosa, Iowa. He was united in marriage to Ida L. Van Loon on August 30, 1921 in Tomah, Wisconsin.

He was admitted on trial in the South Iowa Conference in 1921, was admitted as full member and ordained Deacon in 1930 and ordained Elder in 1933 in the Minnesota Conference. He was appointed to Ladora, Iowa 1921, Oxford, Iowa 1922, then to the Minnesota Conference at Milroy-Amiret 1923, Ruthton-Altoona-Verdi 1926, Dodge Center 1930, Tracy-Nettiewyynnt 1937, Springfield-Sanborn 1943, Jackson 1946, Paynesville 1955, Raymond 1957. He retired in 1960 and then was appointed associate at Fairmont from 1960 to 1967.

During his membership in the Minnesota Conference he served on the following committees: Sustentation, Pro Rating, State of the Church and Social Action, Abandoned Church Property, Board of Missions, Minimum Salary, Moving Expense, and Stewardship Council. He worked tirelessly in scheduling the Rust College Singers on the District. He was named Conference Visitor to Rust at the Conference in 1943. He edited the Christmas Letter for the retired Methodist ministers and widows for five years, 1962-66. He either conducted or arranged for the Sunday evening vesper services at the Lakeview Methodist Home at Fairmont until his death. He took pride in keeping church property in repairs and attractive. To this end he secured enough help to make three large flower beds at Lakeview home. He edited the bimonthly letter to the church's homebound members and friends from 1966 to 1969. He was a Boy Scout worker for about seven years and was Assistant Scoutmaster at Dodge Center.

He is survived by his wife, Ida of Fairmont, Minnesota, one daughter, Frances Virginia of Canyon, Texas and one son, John W. of St. James, Minnesota and four grandchildren in St. James, Minnesota.

Clarence Nicholas wrote of him: His death is the culmination of a fruitful life in the service of Christ His Lord. He had that mind within him which was also in Christ Jesus. His daily life displayed the spirit of utter self-giving love. He shared his love for Christ by inviting others into the fellowship of the Kingdom of God. He shared his love by sharing his flowers. There are many places throughout this state, and other states, where the flowers given by John Rossiter will bloom this spring and in springs yet to come as living memorials to him.

HENRY CAESAR SCHOLBERG and ELLA CONRAD SCHOLBERG

Henry Caesar Scholberg, son of Ole Peter and Maren Johnson Scholberg, was born on Oct. 11, 1879, at Rushford, Minn. He attended public schools at Ortonville, Minn.

He graduated with the Class of 1906 from Hamline University, where he also received his M.A. degree in 1917. He was awarded the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree by Hamline in 1945.

On March 23, 1906, he and Ella Conrad, another graduate of Hamline in the Class of 1906, were married in Minneapolis. He also became a member on trial of the Minnesota Conference in 1906, and in 1908 a full member of the Bombay Conference in India, where the young couple had gone to serve as missionaries.

Their conspicuous service as Christian missionaries in India covered the years 1906 to 1944. Mr. Scholberg was the author of "Concise Grammar of the Hindi Language," published by Oxford University Press.

During a long furlough for health reasons in the years 1925 to 1928, the Scholbergs served churches of the Northern Minnesota Conference at Perham, Thief River Falls, and Appleton. Again after retirement from the mission field in
1945 they served the church at Frazee for several years until 1951, when they moved to Daytona Beach, Florida. There Mrs. Scholberg died on March 29, 1969.

Dr. Scholberg had served for many years as Minister of Visitation at the Community United Methodist Church in Daytona Beach, and taught the Adult Men's Bible Class, and actively supported Bethune-Cookman College.

The church in Daytona Beach gave him a reception on his 90th birthday, Oct. 11, 1969. The following day he taught his Sunday School class as usual, was honored in the morning service in which he took part, and passed away shortly afterward as he was about to have dinner with his family. Thus he witnessed as a good minister of Jesus Christ to the very end, as had his good wife and helpmate.

His memorial service was held on Oct. 14, with the Rev. B. B. Williams officiating, and the son Henry Cedric Scholberg giving the eulogy. Burial was in the Bellevue Memorial Park in Daytona Beach.

Their survivors include their five children: Miriam Scholberg Cook of Daytona Beach, Fla., Dorothy Scholberg Cox of Howell, Mich., Ruth Scholberg Paape of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, Helen Scholberg Ammons of San Francisco, Calif., and Henry Cedric Scholberg of Minneapolis.

THOMAS A. STAFFORD

Thomas A. Stafford was born April 23, 1885 at Enniskillen in northern Ireland, the son of John and Elizabeth Stafford. His early education centered in mathematics, with training both for teaching and business, but as a young man he felt the call to the Lord's service, and studied toward a degree at the Model School, Enniskillen, while working on the Great Northern Railway in Ireland, and serving as a local pastor of a church. When he was 21 he received and answered a call to become a pastor in northern Minnesota.

Dr. Stafford was admitted on trial in 1907, and to full membership in 1909. He was ordained Deacon in 1908, and Elder in 1911. He served churches in Paynesville, Litchfield and Monticello before being called to the Board of Pensions in 1917. In 1922 he enrolled for work toward a Master's degree in statistical method and actuarial science at the University of Chicago, and received a D.D. degree from Garrett Biblical Institute in 1935. He retired in 1952.

Dr. Stafford was united in marriage with Mary Anna Fullerton at Montreal, Canada, May 30, 1907. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Chester H. (Grace) Lunde, Chicago, Illinois, and a sister, Mrs. Margaret Carson, Victoria, B. C., Canada.

Dr. Stafford was a truly unique individual, with interests and capacities and honors too broad and numerous to even begin to enumerate them in this brief tribute. It has always been with particular pride and joy that we of Minnesota could say, "He belongs to us."

Perhaps Dr. Stafford will be remembered most significantly for his work with the Board of Conference Claimants, which in turn became the General Board of Pensions. He served these Boards as assistant treasurer, treasurer and General Secretary. The United Methodist Church must ever be grateful to Dr. Stafford for the Reserve Pension Fund. Long after his retirement he continued to take an active interest in these programs.

To list the boards, committees and programs in which he participated is impossible here. Suffice it to say that his interests and concerns were broad even beyond his chosen field, and that he gave himself without stint, indeed with zest.
and joy, to any call to serve. Artist, scholar, author, he leaves behind him a rich heritage. For us, he served as a delegate to four General Conferences, and to the Uniting Conference of 1939. His works that have been published in the fields of poetry, church symbolism, and inspirational and devotional materials have deeply enriched our lives. He took a keen interest in the historical societies of the conference and the general church. In addition, he loved gardening and flowers, an interest he somehow found means to maintain even when he lived in an apartment.

Somehow it is hard to imagine Tom Stafford as any other way than in action, but at the close of his life he had been an invalid for three and a half years as the result of a stroke and a broken hip. He responded to the call to God's Eternity at Bethany Hospital, Chicago, November 10, 1969. A Service of Memory was held for him in the Thomas A. Stafford Chapel, 1200 Davis Street, Evanston on November 12, and funeral services were conducted on November 13, in the Tittle Chapel, First Methodist Church, Evanston, with the senior pastor, Dr. Dow Kirkpatrick, Dr. Claire Hoyt, Dr. Henry Shillington, and Dr. Kenneth Thompson participating. Interment was in the mausoleum at Memorial Park Cemetery, Evanston, Illinois.

EDWARD W. STODGHILL

Edward W. Stodghill, son of James and Francis Stodghill, was born at Dudley, Iowa, October 25, 1884. He lived a full and vigorous 85 years, and received a quick summons to the Eternal Kingdom at his home in Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 23, 1969. He attended country school through the elementary grades, took his High School training at the Academy of Iowa Wesleyan University, and graduated from Iowa Wesleyan in 1910. He received the S.T.B. degree from Garrett Biblical Seminary in the Class of 1915, and an M.A. degree from Northwestern University. Iowa Wesleyan honored him with the D.D. degree.

October 26, 1910 he was united in marriage with Helen Hanawalt, the daughter of a Methodist minister, at New Sharon, Iowa. She, with one son, Merrill, and one daughter, Mrs. Harry (Evelyn) Dack, survive him.

He was admitted on trial in the Iowa Conference in 1910, received into full membership and ordained Deacon in 1912, and ordained Elder in 1915. In Iowa he served at Muscatine, Libertyville, Danville, and Burlington Grace; in Minnesota, Duluth Lester Park, Minneapolis North, Virginia, and as Visitation Pastor at Brooklyn Center following his retirement; in Dakota at Brookings and from 1945 until his retirement with the Board of Education in Nashville, where he became Director of Student Loans, granting the first Student Loans under this significant program.

No recitation of his "appointments" can tell the story of the warmth, dedication, and love which marked Edward W. Stodghill's ministry. He will be long remembered among us for his smile, the clasp of his hand, the warmth of his friendship. He was one who had a special concern for youth, and the crowning opportunity for service of his ministry came in the years he touched the lives of so many young people through his work in Nashville with the Board of Education. It is a sincere and honest tribute to Ed to be able to say that "he lived on tip-toe to the very last."

Funeral services were held at North United Methodist Church October 27, 1969, with interment in Crystal Cemetery, Minneapolis. Robert Bailey and Clarence Nicholas officiated, with six of the younger members of the Conference, special friends of Edward W. Stodghill, acting as pallbearers.
MRS. E. H. (MINNIE) BOLLENBACH

MRS. E. H. Bollenbach, nee Wilhelmina Krinkie, was born January 27, 1871, at Blue Earth, Minnesota, daughter of Frederick and Whelmina Krinkie. She attended general school in Blue Earth, Minnesota, Carleton College at Northfield, Minn., and Mankato Teachers College, at Mankato, Minn.

She was married to the Reverend Edward H. Bollenbach on September 21, 1893, at Blue Earth, Minnesota. A great help to her husband in church work, she shared with him his pastoral appointments in the following fields of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church in Minnesota: Pipestone, Luverne, Bellingham, Redwood, Courtland, Wadena, St. Paul (Winnifred St.), and Superintendent of the Minneapolis District, and the Mankato District.

Mrs. Bollenbach was prominent in conference and district activities of the E. U. B. Church: she was State President of the Women's Missionary Society; at the Quadrennial Convention at Marion, Ohio, she presented charts and formulas on program making for the W. M. S.; she was State President of the Junior Department.

She taught public school, gave piano lessons, always worked with young people in the various churches; she was an ardent flower gardener and an artist in oil and water color painting.

She assisted her husband in his various offices of honor and trust in the conference: State Treasurer of the Missionary Society, supervised the building of many large churches in Minnesota. He originated the "Living Memorial" Fund to increase the Permanent Church Extension Fund to help build new missions.

In retirement Mrs. Bollenbach kept her membership in the Hope United Methodist Church in Faribault, for twenty years, while she attended the United Methodist Church in Clermont, Florida, where she was a member of the W. S. C. S.

Reverend and Mrs. Bollenbach celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary in Florida; he lived to the age of 95, she, to 98. Their home had been on the beautiful shore of Lake Minnehaha.

She died on July 30, 1969, at Clermont, Florida, and was laid to rest in the Oak Hill Cemetery in that community.

She is survived by one son: Mr. Willard M. Bollenbach, of St. Paul, and one daughter: Mrs. Jon. (Margaret B.) Middleton, of Clermont, Florida.

Mrs. Bollenbach was a talented writer and speaker. We quote from an article she contributed to the "Evangelical Messenger", one of her favorite thoughts: "And God saw everything that He had made, and, behold, it was good." Then in another of her writings: "In nature there is great beauty and satisfaction, but after all we feel there is a Rock that is more beautiful and gives greater satisfaction in life, and that Rock is Christ. Our dedication should be in the spirit of Watts as he sings:

"Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my life, my strength, my all."

MRS. E. CLAYTON BURGESS

Mrs. E. Clayton Burgess was born September 6, 1904, at Buffalo, New York. She was the daughter of Martin and Grace Hershberger. She attended the Hazeldell Elementary School and the Shaw High School in Cleveland, Ohio. She received special training in Christian Education at the National Deaconess Training School at Des Moines, Iowa.

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Louise married E. Clayton Burgess on August 24, 1926, at South Euclid, Ohio, which was the location of Clayton's Student Charge at that time. During their forty-four years of married life, she was a parsonage queen in United Methodist churches in the states of Ohio, Massachusetts, California and Minnesota. They came to our St. Anthony Park Church in St. Paul in 1953 where they served six fruitful years. They became the minister and wife at our Central United Methodist Church in Winona in 1961. His third church was our Community United Methodist Church in Columbia Heights, Minneapolis. After a couple years of a lingering illness, Louise quietly passed away in the Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis on July 31, 1969.

The funeral service was held at the Columbia Heights Methodist Church and was led by Bishop Paul A. Washburn, Dr. George A. Butters, Dr. Orval C. Dittes, Dr. Edward W. Foote, Dr. Virgil C. Jump and Dr. Ernest E. Lowe.

Immediately upon her arrival in our Minnesota Annual Conference, she was invited by the Executive Secretary of The Board of Education to serve as a member of a team of the Minnesota Conference of Education to work in local church centers as an accredited Teacher in Observation Schools. She gave leadership in seventy-two of these Conference-wide Observation Schools in the six years she worked with the Board of Education. She was likewise accredited in Laboratory School Training; and in this capacity she conducted several Laboratory Schools in and out of Minnesota in Nursery and Kindergarten Departments. She proved to be an excellent teacher. While in California, she served as an accredited Director of a Day Nursery School in our Methodist Church in Santa Monica. When she moved to St. Paul, she likewise set up a Day Nursery in our St. Anthony Park Church, which has been in continuous service ever since. Her Nursery work in St. Anthony Park Church was pioneer work. The teachers she worked with and trained in this school are working in Nursery Day Schools in other parts of the Twin Cities, today.

Louise was the mother of three children. A daughter: Mrs. George (Rosalonde) M. Schurr, who married a United Methodist minister. She lives in Flagstaff, Arizona. There were two sons, both United Methodist ministers: E. Clayton Burgess, Jr., who is serving our United Methodist Church in South Glens Falls, New York; and David P. Burgess, who is the Associate minister in our Hillcrest United Methodist Church in Bloomington, Minnesota. Her husband, E. Clayton, is at our Columbia Heights United Methodist Church, Minneapolis. Certainly Louise took her rightful place in this dedicated ministerial home; and, out of it has come three very able and willing servants of our beloved United Methodist Church.

We shall miss Louise in many capacities, as we have already missed her, for she was a gracious person, a perfect hostess in her home, a companion you liked to be with a lot, a Christian worker that always did her part with that extra "plus"; and, most of all because of her genuine qualities, she was deserving of the title "queen" in her home. She was always that. Indeed, we give thanks for Louise Burgess, for her life was beautiful in every respect and meaningful because she exemplified the spirit of our Christ and hers.

Written by Rev. and Mrs. Orval C. Dittes

MRS. C. C. (LORENA) CLARKE

Mrs. C. C. Clarke, nee Lorena J. Downard, was born October 26, 1890, at Livingston County, Illinois. She attended elementary and high school in Iowa. She was married to the Reverend C. C. Clarke at Union County, Iowa, on October 26, 1911. She dedicated many years to being helpmate, wife and mother. Reverend Clarke preceded her in death.
Mrs. Clarke died on February 26, 1969 and was laid to rest in the cemetery at New London, Wisconsin. She is survived by two sons: Mr. Donald M. Clarke of New London, Wisconsin, and Mr. Thomas D. Clarke of Los Angeles, California.

MRS. J. A. (ADA) DOWNING

Ada E. Hobley was born February 13, 1885 in England the daughter of Richard and Fanny Hobley. She was married on December 28, 1909 in Rugby, England to the Rev. C. A. Downing. She died on April 30, 1970 at the New Hope Nursing Home and the funeral service was held on May 4, 1970 at the Grace United Methodist Church in Kiester, Minnesota with burial at Fairview Cemetery in Kiester. The Rev. Donald Walkes and the Rev. Howard Krueger officiated at the service.

She served with her husband in United Brethren Churches at Grey Eagle, Hewitt and Kiester. He preceded her in death on August 9, 1945. She had been living at the New Hope Nursing Home in Minneapolis at the time of her death. She is survived by one son, Percy A. Downing of Minneapolis.

MARGARET P. (MRS. ALVA S.) EARL

Margaret B. Palmer, daughter of John F. and Rebecca Palmer, was born Sept. 6, 1887, at Fairmont, Minnesota. She attended Hamline University.

She was married to Alva E. Earl at Fairmont on June 22, 1915. They had no children, but joyfully served the children and youth in the twenty-four Methodist churches they served in Minnesota.

Following their retirement in 1949 they resided at Penney Farms in Florida until his death on June 21, 1966.

One who knew her well at the Memorial Home Community at Penney Farms wrote of her, "Mrs. Earl was a grand person and always was doing for others. She was a good patient while in our Clinic, and helpful to other patients, and had a host of friends."

Mrs. Earl died on Feb. 22, 1969, and the Rev. Charles Cole conducted a funeral service for her in the Penney Memorial Church on Feb. 27. Interment was in the Memorial Home Community Cemetery.

EMMA BERTHA GOETZ

Emma Bertha Goetz, nee Emma Schendel, was born in Olivia, Minn., on July 18, 1875, and peacefully departed this life on April 15, 1970, in Burbank, Calif., at the ripe age of nearly 95 years.

She was reared in a Christian home, and at an early age accepted Christ as her Savior, and joined the Evangelical Association, now the United Methodist Church, at Olivia, and remained a faithful member until the time of her death.

In 1898 she was joined in marriage with Theodore Kuske of Olivia. One daughter, Lulu, was born to this union. After eight years of happy married life her husband died. Her second marriage was to the Rev. Silas B. Goetz, then pastor of the Evangelical Church at Olivia. Together they served churches in the Minnesota Conference at Olivia, Bellingham, Hutchinson, and Minneapolis. After retirement they and their daughter moved to Alhambra, California, where they joined, and became faithful members of the Calvary Evangelical United Brethren Church.

Sister Goetz was a faithful pastor's wife, always interested and active in the work of churches they served. She made friends easily, and always was an
inspiration to all both in and outside the church. She was held in highest esteem in all of the churches. In July of 1956 her husband preceded her in death.

Mrs. Goetz is survived by her daughter Lulu (Mrs. C. E.) Erffmeyer of Naperville, Illinois; four step-daughters, Mrs. Augusta Nonnamaker of Mt. Cory, Ohio, Mrs. C. B. Frank of Buffalo Lake, Minn., Mrs. Monetta Schendel and Mrs. J. A. LaGue, both of St. Cloud, Minn.; one stepson Julius Goetz of Miami, Florida; one sister, Mrs. Rachel Michel of Olivia; one brother, Reuben Schendel of Appleton, Minn.; beside other relatives and a host of friends.

The memorial service for Mrs. Goetz was held in the Emmanuel United Methodist Church at Olivia on April 22, 1970, with the Rev. C. B. Frank and the Rev. Stanley Propp officiating. The pallbearers were all nephews of Mrs. Goetz. Her interment was in the Olivia Cemetery beside her first husband.

MRS. ARTHUR (ETHYL) HALTER

Ethyl C. Halter was born on April 11, 1889 on a farm in St. Francois County, Missouri, the daughter of Theodore and Laura Agnes Chandler. She attended the secondary schools in Farmington, Missouri. She had her B.A. degree from Carleton College, in Farmington. She also attended the Missouri State U at Columbus, Missouri. Always a scholarly and capable person in languages, she taught Greek and Latin for a time to theological students at Carleton College of Farmington, Missouri.

She married Reverend Arthur Halter on August 10, 1915. Three daughters were born and survive. They are: Mrs. Donald Cullmore, Mrs. Raymon Colin and Mrs. M. Hetzler. Mrs. Halter died on August 28, 1969 and burial was at De Sota, Missouri.

A true helpmate to her husband, the couple served churches at Springfield, St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph, Missouri, in Redfield, South Dakota and Rockwell City, Iowa, and then at Trinity in Minneapolis and Springfield, Minnesota. Also for eight years as District Superintendent of the Sedalia, Missouri District. They retired from the active ministry in June of 1952 and Rev. Halter preceded her in death on February 16, 1953.

Mrs. Halter gave of herself unceasingly to the many tasks of the parish ministry along with her husband. A gracious, perceptive, loyal person was she. Her love for children and youth enabled her to teach Sunday School until she was past seventy years of age.

"She is numbered with those who served Christ well:
A noble life portraits—more than words can tell."

M. LOUISE (MRS. F. J.) JOHNSTON

Mrs. M. Louise Johnston died on Sept. 10, 1968. Information regarding her birth and early life is not available, except that she was born Mary Louise McKinley, daughter of the Rev. William McKinley, member of the Minnesota Conference.

She was married to the Rev. Frederick James Johnston in 1903, the year he was admitted on trial in the Northern Minnesota Conference. They served several charges in that conference before being appointed to the New Mexico Mission in 1927, where they served until 1949.

At the time of her husband's death on April 18, 1953, there were two surviving daughters, Mrs. A. S. Allen of El Paso, Texas, and Muriel P. Johnston of Claremont, California.
MRS. WILLARD I. KERN

Mrs. Willard I. (Bertha) Kern was born at Bowdoinham, Maine on Oct. 17, 1880. She received her education at the Latin high school of Cambridge, Mass. She attended Radcliffe College and Harvard University, from which latter institution she received her A.B. degree “Cum Laude.” She taught for one year in Syracuse, New York.

She was married to The Reverend Willard I. Kern on Sept. 6, 1905 in her home town of Bowdoinham, Maine.

Together with her husband they served churches—nine in all—Reverend Kern had been a District Superintendent and also hospital Chaplain in Rochester.

Three children came to make their home with the Kerns, Leon, Dorothy and Philip. There were eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

After Dr. Kern’s death in 1937, Mrs. Kern came to Rochester. She built her life around The First Methodist Church (Now Christ U. Methodist Church) in Rochester. For twenty-nine years she worked in the wonderful tireless capacity of Parish Visitor. She aided the Ministers of the church significantly, in the preparing of the infants and children for Baptism and others for church membership.

She was active in the W. S. C. S. and in the former Missionary Society. She was a member of the College Club, the Eastern Star, the PEO and the D.A.R. She shared her life in the total “outgoingness” of love, concern, wisdom and perception, for others. She was conversant with the times in which she lived; the radiance of her gentle spirit reached out and took many, many persons of diverse cultures and backgrounds into her great heart of love.

Mrs. Kern died on July 1st, 1969. Her final resting place is a Rochester cemetery. Dr. Winfield Haycock, Senior Minister of Christ United Methodist Church and Reverend Clemmet Peterson, Associate Minister, officiated at her funeral service. Fitting passages of Scripture from 1 Corinthians 13, John 14, Psalm 23 and Proverbs 31 were read at this service, along with Matthew 25: 34-40 which verses particularly sum up her basic life philosophy. Steadfast was both her faith and her witness to Christ, in countless ways always, and ever as she “walked among men.”

Encapsuled within this bit of verse from an old poet, was indeed her philosophy.

"LORD, HELP ME LIVE FROM DAY TO DAY:
THAT EVEN WHEN I KNEEL TO PRAY, MY PRAYER MAY BE FOR—OTHERS".

MRS. BLAINE (MARION) LAMBERT

Marion Ethel Hunt was born June 6, 1886 the daughter of Frank W. and Nellie Louisa (Morse) Hunt in Carthage, New York. She was married on August 30, 1911 to Blaine Lambert in Mankato, Minnesota. She passed away on October 14, 1969 in Minneapolis. Funeral service was held from the Park Avenue United Methodist Church with Dr. P. C. Hinerman and Rev. Jerry Ebbonga officiating. Burial was in Lakewood Cemetery, Minneapolis.

Mrs. Lambert audited classes at Drew Seminary while her husband was attending the school. Together they served churches in Rush City-North Branch, Long Prairie, Osakis, Berndt, Wadena, Hibbing, Duluth Central Ave., Hector, Taylor’s Falls, Kasson and Lamberton-Sanborn. They retired in 1953, and made their home in Minneapolis.

She is survived by her husband, the Rev. Blaine Lambert of Minneapolis, one
son, Dr. Frank L. Lambert of Occidental College, Los Angeles, California and one daughter, Mrs. Ledyard Avery of York, Pennsylvania.

She was District Secretary, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Duluth District, Conference Secretary, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Northern Minnesota Conference and of the Rock River Conference. She was delegate to National W.F.M.S. Conference in Erie, Pa., Columbus, Ohio and Pasadena, California. She also served on the Board of Church Women, City of Duluth.

LYDIA LUELLA MAHLE

Lydia Luella Hildenstein was born on March 29, 1887, at Mount Vernon, Missouri. She was the second of four children of Elizabeth Weiss and the Rev. John George Hildenstein, a member of the St. Louis German Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

She attended Central Wesleyan College in Warrenton, Missouri, graduating with distinction from its music department in 1905. She became director of the music department of St. Paul's College at St. Paul Park, Minnesota.

Another member of the college faculty, Walter E. Mahle, became her husband in a ceremony conducted by her father at Mascoutah, Illinois, on September 2, 1908.

Thus began her career as a minister's wife and helpmate which was to last through nearly sixty years until her husband's death on Feb. 6, 1968. Together they served twenty churches of Minnesota Methodism. Six children were born to them, and they remember her as a beautiful, talented, and devoted mother.

Her children agreed that "Mother always played church music as it should be played." In all the churches they served she helped out wherever her musical ministry was required or requested, never crowding out a local musician. All her children, inspired by their parental example, have served willingly in the music programs of their churches and communities. We may well believe that in the heavenly places she will continue her faithful ministry of "singing and making melody unto the Lord with all her heart."

Up until her last brief illness she continued to inspire the residents of the nursing home at Plainview with her playing and singing of hymns. There she died on January 21, 1970, having reached the age of nearly 83 years.

Her funeral service was held at the Woodbury United Methodist Church in Washington County, Minnesota, on Jan. 24, 1970. Officiating were the Rev. Clare W. Karsten and the Rev. Ronald J. Guderian. Mr. Stanley Parrish sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee" using Mrs. Mahle's musical setting for that hymn. Interment was in the Woodbury Church cemetery.

She is survived by her children: The Rev. Carl W. Mahle of Renville, Minn.; Dr. Donald G. Mahle of Wabasha, Minn.; Corwin E. Mahle of Watsonville, Calif.; James R. Mahle of South St. Paul, Minn.; Burton P. Mahle of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa; and Mary E. (Mrs. Donn) French of St. Louis Park, Minn. There are fourteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She is survived also by her sister, Mrs. Malinda Baenziger, of Iowa City, Iowa.

MRS. JOHN PAYNE

Mrs. John Payne, nee Rosa Lee Crocker, was born February 16, 1911 at Des Arc, Arkansas. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. Newton Crocker. She attended elementary school and high school at Palestine, Illinois, and the University of Illinois. On February 7, 1931 she was united in marriage to Rev. John Payne at Robinson, Illinois.
Rev. and Mrs. Payne served the following fields in Illinois: Moccasin, Blairsville, Dennison, Atwood, Hindsboro and Owaneco. They came to Minnesota in 1950 and served at Alexandria, St. John's in St. Paul, Preston and at the time of her death at Spring Valley.

Mrs. Payne died on November 25, 1969 at Spring Valley. Funeral services were held at Spring Valley on November 28th, and burial was at Alexandria, Minnesota. Bishop Paul Washburn, Rev. Willard Allin and Rev. Paul Bosshardt officiated at the funeral service, the ministers sang as a group and Marvin Anderson sang a solo.

Mrs. Payne is survived by her husband, Rev. John Payne of Spring Valley, and five children, Mrs. David Carlton (Geraldine Anita) of Taylorville, Illinois, Harold E. Payne, George W. Payne and Mrs. Kenneth Anderson (Alta Ruth) all of Minneapolis and Johnny Lee Payne of San Francisco, California.

MRS. JOHN D. (S. ARLEEN LEECE) PERRILL

S. Arleen Leece was united in marriage to John D. Perrill in December of 1933. The life of this couple was spent in a number of different communities for her husband was a teacher in the public schools and a Methodist minister, pushing forward toward his seminary education. They served churches in Kansas and then as Religious Education Director in Central Methodist Church, Oska­loosa, Ia., in Linwood Methodist Church, Kansas City, Mo., and in First Methodist Church, Rochester, Minnesota from 1955-58.

They had two daughters, Constance Joleen and Meredith Elaine. She was preceded in death by her husband who passed away on November 4, 1961. At the time of her death her residence was in Oakland, California.

MRS. IRVIN (EVA H.) SEAGER

Mrs. Irvin Seager, nee Eva Marie Hellickson, was born July 5, 1881, at Mabel, Minnesota, a daughter of Henry and Anna Hellickson. She attended school at Mabel, Minnesota, graduated from South High in Minneapolis, and attended a school of music in St. Paul, Minnesota.

She was married to the Reverend Irvin Seager on January 1, 1909, at Mabel. They served several churches in Minnesota until her husband retired. He preceded her in death on May 31, 1943. She is survived by two nephews, G. Haring Sanders of St. Louis Park, and Harry B. Sanders of Detroit, Michigan. Also two nieces, Mrs. Eleanor Thorne of St. Paul, Minnesota and Mrs. Doris Althoff of Cannon Falls, Minnesota.

Mrs. Seager died on January 4, 1970, at Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis, and funeral services were conducted at the Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church in Minneapolis, with the Reverend J. R. Leonard officiating. Her body lies at rest in the Acacia Cemetery.

MRS. JOHN (OLGA T.) SCHENCK

Olga C. Thompson was born May 22, 1891 in River Falls, Wisconsin, the daughter of Kristian and Kurstine Thompson. She passed away on May 11, 1970 at Deer River, Minnesota. The funeral service was held in the Deer River United Methodist Church with the Rev. James Roe, officiating. Burial was in the Schendia Cemetery at Deerwood.

She attended the University of Wisconsin and on December 28, 1921 was united in marriage to John W. Schenck at Proctor, Minnesota. They served in churches together until the death of her husband in 1945.
Olga Schenck is survived by two daughters, Mrs. E. E. Deason of Tick Fau, Louisiana and Mrs. R. D. Copick of Newport News, Virginia and by two sons, Paul T. Schenck of Deer River and Daniel J. Schenck of St. Paul.

MRS. CHARLES A. THIEL

Mrs. Charles A. (Elizabeth) Thiel was born on October 30, 1884 to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pflueger at Stillwater, Minnesota. On April 20, 1904 she was married to Rev. Charles A. Thiel at Staples, Minnesota.

Rev. and Mrs. Thiel served the following pastoral fields: Hatton, North Dakota, Howard, South Dakota and the following in Minnesota: Greenwood, Hawley, Nerstrand, Bertha and Hokah.

Mrs. Thiel had an unfailing Christian faith which was an inspiration to those who knew her and a source of strength upon which she constantly relied.

Death came to Mrs. Thiel on December 26, 1969 at St. Louis, Missouri. The funeral service was held at St. Louis on December 29th, with Dr. Wesley Hager of Grace United Methodist Church in charge. Burial was in Lakewood Cemetery, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Her survivors include the following children: Viola Thiel, St. Louis, Missouri; William Thiel, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Nathaniel Thiel, Charlotte, North Carolina; Naomi Kindel, Cincinnati, Ohio; and Charleen Hess, Allentown, Pennsylvania.

MICHAEL JOHN BRENNAN

Michael John Brennan was born on May 7, 1969 at Mankato, Minnesota to Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Brennan. He passed from this life on August 10, 1969. The funeral service was held August 12th, at Amboy with District Superintendent Rev. G. V. Walder in charge. Burial was at Vernon Center. On August 17th, a Memorial service was held with District Superintendent Rev. W. Allin in charge.

Michael is survived by his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Brennan, a sister, Deborah, and a twin brother, Thomas, all of Vernon Center, Minnesota.

1971 Christian Service Fund Share Formula

The formula used to compute the 1971 Christian Service Fund shares, for the churches of the Minnesota Annual Conference, is as follows:

The Christian Service Fund shall be distributed to the individual churches on the basis of:

a. $21.00 per member,

b. less 10% of the churches' total 1970 budgeted staff salaries,

c. provided the maximum limit shall be 108% of the churches 1970 amount per member.

d. No church shall be assigned a per member share of less than $12.00.

e. No church shall be assigned a per member share of more than $21.00.

f. No church shall be assigned a per member share less than that of 1970, except as provided in (e.).

This formula limits the increases in per member shares to 8%, and the total per member share to not more than $21.00, nor less than $12.00. It limits decreases to the level of $21.00 and provides up to a 10% credit on the churches 1970 total budgeted staff cash salaries, within the above limits.
The 1971 Christian Service Fund formula will distribute to the churches shares totaling $2,182,870, which is an increase of 4.95% over the total shares distributed for 1970. Of the total shares distributed, $102,870 is estimated as non-collectable, leaving $2,080,000 as the total cash available for 1971.
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### Financial Report

**Hepburn East District**

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<td>60601</td>
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**Notes:**
- All salaries are in USD.
- Experience is measured in years.
- Gender is self-identified.
- Education levels include Bachelor, Master, and PhD.

**Total:**
- 4 people listed
- Total salary: $320,000
- Average salary: $80,000
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**The United Methodist Church**

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The Board of Pensions of the United Methodist Church, Incorporated in Illinois

Treasurer
### Combined Christian Service Fund Payments

#### CENTRAL DISTRICT
- **Churchill:** 30.00, 24.00, 54.00, 8.00, 36.00
- **Clear Lake:** 105.19
- **Corwell:** 8.00, 340.00
- **Cosmo:** 210.00
- **Minneapolis, Burnsville - Grace:** 167.45
- **Jordan:** 285.00
- **Le Center:** 167.00
- **Minneapolis - Bloomington, Epworth:** 1,883.00
- **Mille Lacs:** 2,812.00, 2,070.00
- **Minneapolis, Downtown, Portland: 555.00
- **Prior Lake:** 29.14
- **Waverly:** 1,270.00

#### METROPOLITAN SOUTH DISTRICT
- **Burnsville - Grace:** 1,379.64
- **Cannonville:** 2,003.25
- **Cleveland:** 1,00.00
- **Hutchinson:** 167.00
- **Jordan:** 255.00
- **Le Center:** 167.00
- **Minneapolis, Bloomington, Epworth:** 1,883.00
- **Minneapolis, Downtown, Portland:** 555.00
- **Prior Lake:** 226.00
- **Waverly:** 702.00

#### METROPOLITAN EAST DISTRICT
- **Brook Park:** 10.00
- **Inver Grove Heights - Mount Bethel:** 906.00
- **Newport:** 865.00
- **Northfield:** 1,000.00
- **Red Wing:** 402.00
- **Rosemount:** 20.00
- **Saint Paul - Camphor:** 602.00
- **Cleveland Avenue:** 820.47
- **Epworth:** 849.36
- **Hamline:** 1.00
- **Olivet:** 201.88
- **Salvation Army:** 666.00
- **Walker:** 1,005.00

#### METROPOLITAN NORTH DISTRICT
- **Champlin:** 1,919.00
- **Minneapolis, Edina, Calvary:** 4,689.00
- **First University:** 1,921.47
- **Harrington:** 203.25
- **Hennepin Avenue:** 1,921.47
- **Riverview:** 1,410.00

#### NORTHEAST DISTRICT
- **Chisholm:** 1,270.00
- **Crookston:** 217.00
- **Duluth, Bethany:** 211.00
- **Forest Lake:** 200.00
- **Emily:** 215.00
- **Eau Claire:** 1,473.00
- **Ely:** 215.00
- **Finlayson:** 1,00.00
- **Hibbing:** 200.00
- **Hoyt Lakes:** 1,473.00
- **McGregor:** 219.00
- **Meadowlands:** 540.00
- **Northome:** 162.00
- **Pequot Lakes:** 162.00

#### TOTALS
- **Central District:** 111.00
- **Metropolitan South District:** 214,273.66
- **Metropolitan East District:** 7,667.00
- **Metropolitan North District:** 11,821.99
- **Northeast District:** 10,363.25

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**Grand Total:** 23,847.24
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Membership of Council

the presiding bishop, Paul Washburn


the conference secretary, Donald L. Walkes

the president and one other representative of the conference youth organization:

the president and one other representative of the conference Women's Society of Christian Service: Mrs. Alan B. Larson, Mrs. Kenneth Dowell

the conference lay leader, Wally Green

Associate lay leader: Warren Schultz, Milton Mootz

one lay person from each district:

   Central: Everett Day
   Metropolitan East: Mrs. David Cervenka
   Metropolitan North: Mrs. Erma Craven
   Metropolitan South: Mrs. E. E. O'Brien
   Northeast: Robert Van Kleeck
   Northwest: Mrs. Alfred Gedde
   Southeast: Donald Riegel
   Southwest: Loren Shelgren

chairman of age-level and family coordinators: Miss Constance Carothers, Gordon Wendland, Robert Hunter

two ministers at large: Alex Ramos, Virgil Coburn

four lay persons at large, at least two of whom shall be women: Mrs. Roscoe Haining, Ralph Klinkerfues, Mrs. John Gridley, Lyle Schreiber

one representative from each of the following boards and agencies:

   The Board of Education, Clemmet A. Peterson
   The Board of Evangelism, Richard R. Smith
   The Board of Health & Welfare Ministries, Burton A. Passer
The Board of the Ministry, Ray Boehlke
The Board of Missions, Jack R. Parriott
The Board of Christian Social Concerns, W. T. Horst
The Commission on Ecumenical Affairs, Mrs. A. O. Hoistad
The Commission on Enlistment and Christian Vocation, Claire Siple
The Commission on Worship, Lowell Reinking

The following shall be members without vote:
salaried and volunteer conference staff, Charles Purdham, Floyd E. Bosshardt, Donald Germain, John Espie, Mrs. Walter Carlock, Harold O. Clark
the conference treasurer, Betty Jean Foster
two members of the Commission on World Service and Finance, Kenneth Giere, Harlyn Hagmann
one member of the Policy, Structure and Strategy Committee, William G. Law
one member of the Commission on Archives and History, Orval C. DiHes
one member of the Committee on Interpretation, Deane Postlethwaite
one member of the Committee on Communication, C. Wallace Green

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Committee on Communications:
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Laymen: Fremont Fletcher, Clyde A. Ruebel, Monte Mason, Dwight Peterson
Ministers: Charles Sweet, William G. Law, Chester Pennington, R. E. Marks
Ex-Officio: Bishop Paul Washburn
District Superintendent: Wayne Ireland

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Class of 1974: Robert Engstrom, Edward Hoffman, Bennett Brudevold, William Kvale, Sec.
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Laymen: G. B. Spencer, Willis Heim, Donald E. Bridgman, James Urbach

Laymen: Theodore Drackley, Richard Parish, William Boyles, Lyle Buller

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Conference Director of Education: Donald L. Germain

I. Section on Local Church

Chairman: Alvin C. Meier
Conference Coordinator of Children’s Ministry: Constance Carothers
Conference Coordinator of Youth Ministry: Robert Hunter
Chairman of Conference Youth Council: Perry Olson
Conference Coordinator of Adult Ministry:
Conference Coordinator of Family Life Ministry: Gordon Wendland
District Superintendent: Paul Metzger
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  Mrs. John Grimm
  Mrs. Charles Hayes
  Clarence Richardson
  Howard Krueger
  Donald Mielke
  Miss Elizabeth Suiter
  Harold Stuart
  Mrs. Lee Lundgren
  James McChesney

II. Section on Camps and Conferences

Chairman: James Schneider
  Mrs. A. D. Headley
  Mrs. William Hudson
  Robert Hunter
  Earl Werner
  Clemmet A. Peterson
  Milton Lentz
  Vern E. Schendel

Youth member to be named by the Conference Board of Education

District Superintendent: Willard Allin
III. Section on Higher Education and Campus Ministry

Chairman: Bruce Buller
Mrs. Ivan Burnison
Lyle Christianson
James Nelson
Mrs. Clarence Richardson
Mrs. George Skewes
Lonnel Moon
Don Frederick
Mary Kaffron

Staff: Donald L. Germain

District Superintendent: Paul Metzger

CONFERENCE COUNCIL ON CAMPS AND CONFERENCES

Chairman: James Schneider

Board of Education Members (Section on Camps and Conferences): Mrs. A. D. Headley, Mrs. William Hudson, Robert Hunter, Earl Werner, Clemmet A. Peterson, James Schneider, Vern E. Schendel, Milton Lentz, Youth member to be named by the Conference Board of Education.

District Superintendent: Willard Allin

Additional Members:
Children's Ministry: Mrs. Willard Krinkie
Youth Ministry: Meg Reko
Adult Ministry:
Family Life Ministry: E. Gordon Wendland
W.S.C.S. Representative: Mrs. Curtis Paulson
Board of Trustees Representative: Edward Hoffman
Board of Laity Representative: Claude Bewell

District Directors of Camping and Junior High:
Central: Laurence G. Foote
Metro East: Robert E. Hoeft
Metro North: Robert Ford
Metro South: David Schneider
Northeast: James Roe
Northwest: Ronald Hume
Southeast: John Phillippe
Southwest: Ed Bissell

Camp Boards of Management (Representative)
Decision Hills: Theodore Drackley
Frontenac: Claude Bewell
Kingswood: E. Larry Boardman
Koronis Assembly: Roy E. Marks
Northeast District:
Northern Pines: Alex Ramos
Wilderness Camps: Dwight Haberman
(Ko-Wa-Kan and Spen Lake)
Star Lake: Edward F. Shannon
Trail Camp: Douglas K. Marks

Koronis Assembly (Representative)
Richard Smith

At Large:
Peter G. Law
Joyce Haberman
Harold Biederman
Staff: Donald L. Germain

COUNCIL ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAMPUS MINISTRY

Chairman: Bruce Buller

Board of Education Members (Section on Higher Education and Campus Ministry): Mrs. Ivan Burnison, Lyle Christianson, James R. Nelson, Mrs. Clarence Richardson, Mrs. George Skewes, Lonnel Moon, Don Fredrick

Additional Members:
Representative, Hamline University: Kenneth Janssen
Representative, Association of Campus Ministers:
At Large: Mrs. Kenneth Beck, Carl Caskey, Donovan Hull, Howard Jones, Dr. Forrest Moore, Robert Ouradnik, Clair D. Wilcoxon, Ed Stevens, Clem Nagel Jr.

Ex Officio: Bishop Paul Washburn

Conference Director of Education or other staff member: Charles Purdham

Additional Youth Members: Five youth to be named by Board of Education

District Superintendent: Paul Metzger

Minnesota Commission, United Ministries in Higher Education

United Methodist Representatives:
Forrest Moore, Donovan Hull, Mrs. George Skewes, Lyle Christianson, Bruce Buller

CONFERENCE COUNCIL ON YOUTH MINISTRIES

ADULTS
District Youth Directors:
Central: Larry Nielsen
Metro East: Bob Gamble
Metro North: Fred Atkinson
Metro South: David Burgess
Northeast: Donald Selgers
Northwest: Calvin G. Daniels
Southeast: Lorne Grage
Southwest: Tom Brennan

YOUTH
Class of 1972:
Blaine Karsten
Bill Holland
Meg Reko
Steven Pieh
Mary Rasmussen
Jon Yearous
Kevin Peterson
Debra Mertasdorf

At Large:
John Fair
Larry Houseman
Don Berglund
Mrs. Curtis Paulson
Edwin O. Bissell
Don Utzman
Mrs. A. Dean Headley

Class of 1973
Julie Rodgers
Susan Stemme
Pam Anderson

Conference Youth Coordinator: Robert Hunter

District Superintendent: Tom Walker

Conference Director of Nurture: Donald L. Germain

DISTRICT COORDINATORS

Central District:
District Director of Family Ministry: Richard Gist
District Director of Adult Ministry: Stanley Propp
District Director of Youth Ministry: Larry Nielsen
District Director of Children's Ministry: Mrs. Ken Parker
District Director of Camping: Larry Foote

Metro East District:
District Director of Family Ministry: Mrs. Earl Rode
District Director of Adult Ministry: Ken Wellman
District Director of Youth Ministry: Bob Gamble
District Director of Children's Ministry: Robert Havens
District Director of Camping: Bob Hoefft
Metro North District:
- District Director of Family Ministry: James McChesney
- District Director of Adult Ministry: Richard Harper
- District Director of Youth Ministry: Fred Atkinson
- District Director of Children's Ministry: Mrs. Warren Sims
- District Director of Camping: Bob Ford

Metro South District:
- District Director of Family Ministry: Mrs. Wesley Mellgren
- District Director of Adult Ministry: Clarence Richardson
- District Director of Youth Ministry: David Burgess
- District Director of Children's Ministry: Carol Schendel
- District Director of Camping: Dave Schneider

Northeast District:
- District Director of Family Ministry: Gene Grover
- District Director of Adult Ministry: Don Mielke
- District Director of Youth Ministry: Don Selgers
- District Director of Children's Ministry: Mrs. Richard Anthony
- District Director of Camping: James Roe

Northwest District:
- District Director of Family Ministry: Mrs. John Fair
- District Director of Adult Ministry: Cal Daniels
- District Director of Youth Ministry: Mrs. John Schindler
- District Director of Camping: Ron Hume

Southeast District:
- District Director of Family Ministry: Harold Stuart
- District Director of Adult Ministry: John Payne
- District Director of Youth Ministry: Loren Grage
- District Director of Children's Ministry: Mrs. Raymond Lee
- District Director of Camping: John Phillippe

Southwest District:
- District Director of Family Ministry: Mrs. John Redman
- District Director of Adult Ministry: Howard Krueger
- District Director of Youth Ministry: Tom Brennan
- District Director of Children's Ministry: Ed Bissell
- District Director of Camping: Ed Bissell

BOARD OF EVANGELISM

Chairman: Richard Smith
District Superintendent: E. Russell Praetorius
Conference Secretary or Director of Evangelism: Floyd Bosshardt
District Secretaries of Evangelism:
Central: Marvin Repinski
Metro East: Forest Strnad
Metro North: Paul Ingelin
Metro South: Joseph Grostephan
Northeast: Donald Haarup
Northwest: Royal Steiner
Southeast: Earl Toy
Southwest: Keith Duehn

One pastor and one layman from each district:
Central: Lluid Daniels, Stanley Lindholm
Metro East: Charles Nelson, Mrs. Dewey Force
Metro North: J. Harley Thompson, Robert Drake
Metro South: Norman Lidke, Donald Gilbertson
Northeast: Harold Dayton, Mrs. Donald Mielke
Northwest: Ed Bittenbender, Robert Bates
Southeast: T. R. Moritz, Elmer Wright
Southwest: Dwight Hendricks, Harold Jagodzinske

Laywoman from WSCS: Mrs. David Cervenka

Representative of Conference UMYF: Jane Jagerson
Member of National Board: George Chant, Russell Praetorius

“No More than 10” At Large:
Philip Hinerman
Robert Stemme
Delburn Kurtz
Mrs. Edwy Dibble
Harold Kraft
Ora Sarazin
Edward Foote
John Leonard
Carl Almquist

Representative of the Board of Laity: Wilbur Sayles

BOARD OF MINISTRY

DISTRICT BOARDS OF THE MINISTRY
METROPOLITAN EAST: Clare Karsten, Thomas Gotschall, Virgil Coburn, Ronald Guderian. From Conference Board - Ray Boelhke

METROPOLITAN NORTH: Gordon Minehart, Robert Bailey, Donald Walkes, C. C. Peterson. From Conference Board - Duane J. Lunemann


NORTHEAST DISTRICT: David Kruell, K. James Davis, Wilbert Traver, Willard Bell, Harry Jones. From Conference Board - Willert Zahl

NORTHWEST DISTRICT: Alex Ramos, Kenneth Wiley, Robert Fegan, Clinton Becker, Ronald Hume, John Fair, Fred Atkinson. From Conference Board - Emery Wallace

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT: Stanley Hanks, Clemmet Peterson, Earl Toy, Merle Dunn, Harlyn Hagmann. From Conference Board - Robert Painter

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT: Perry Hultin, Dwight Hendricks, Oley Wilson, Forrest Davis. From Conference Board - Herbert F. Cook

BOARD OF HEALTH AND WELFARE MINISTRIES

District Representatives:
Central: Lester Wolter
Metro East: Burton Passer, Joseph Camp
Metro North: Edward Foote, Eugene Meyers
Metro South: Donald Woodward, Dr. Wayne Chadbourn
Northeast: Dale Sanders, Dr. Martin Munson
Northwest: LaVerne Johnson, Arnold Johnson
Southeast: David Achterkirch, Malcolm I. Lindsey
Southwest: H. F. Cook, Mrs. C. W. Spear

Hospital and Home Administrators and Chaplains

Staff Representative: John Espie

Cabinet Representative: Wayne Ireland

BOARD OF THE LAITY

Conference Lay Leader: Wally Green

Associate Conference Lay Leader - Stewardship: Warren Schultz

Conference Director of Stewardship: John Espie

Associate Conference Lay Leader - Lay Life and Work: Dr. Milton Mootz

Secretary:
Treasurer: Mrs. Blake Sower

Conference Director of United Methodist Men: Dave Schultz

Conference Director of Lay Speaking: Dana Zimmerli

Conference Director of Lay Leadership Training: Kermit Wolf

District Lay Leaders:
- Central: Merle Voris
- Metro East: Fred Irwin
- Metro North: George Ewing
- Metro South: Robert Schmidt
- Northeast: Ray Kolbe
- Northwest: Les Wagner
- Southeast: Dale Hugus
- Southwest: Loren Shelgren

One minister from each district on the board and on its Commission of Stewardship and Finance:
- Central: Layen Adelmann
- Metro East: Burton Passer
- Metro North: Donald Walkes
- Metro South: Bennett Brudevold
- Northeast: Leslie Drake
- Northwest: John Fair
- Southeast: Glenn Quam
- Southwest: Peter Law

Member At Large: Mrs. Wanda Harper

Conference President of WSCS: Mrs. Alan B. Larson

Representative of United Methodist Youth:

Three Age-level coordinators: Constance Carothers, Robert Hunter

The district superintendents: Allen Flohr, Gerald Walder

BOARD OF MISSIONS

Chairman: Jack Parriott

Executive-Missionary Secretary: Floyd Bosshardt

Section on Parish Development

Chairman: Delton Krueger
District Superintendent: Tom Walker

Metropolitan Ministries:
Three District Representatives: North - George Ewing; South - Bruce Buller; East - Joseph Pilate
At Large: Ralph Quiggle, John Schindler, Bert Nienaber, Wally Green, Bob Engstrom, Melvyn Budke, Mrs. Erma Craven, James Clayton
One High School Student: Donna Anderson
One College Student: Henry Greer
One Young Adult: Jeny McRoberts
Three Metropolitan Superintendents: E. Russell Praetorius, Allen Flohr, Paul Metzger
Five additional under plan of Union to be named by Board of Missions: Bryan Peterson, Rollie Robinson, Clare Karsten, James Schneider, Bruce Erickson

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Five District Representatives: Northeast - Dwight Haberman; Northwest - Don Garber; Central - Delton Krueger; Southwest - Dr. John Watkins; Southeast - Dave Roberson
At Large: Ted Colescott, Chairman; Jack Parriott
Conference WSCS President: Mrs. Alan B. Larson
Representative from Board of Education: Bruce Buller
One High School Student:
Church and Community Workers:
District Superintendents: Clarence Nicholas, Gerald Walder

Section on Church Extension

Chairman: George Chant

Eight District Representatives:
Central: Larry Hoganson
Metro East: Frank DeCourcy
Metro North: Lyle Krumrie
Metro South: George Chant
Northeast: Arthur Kramer
Northwest: Ronald Hume
Southeast: Merle Dunn
Southwest: Dudley Keech

Three Representatives from City Unions:
St. Paul - Herbert Lancaster
Minneapolis - Herman Carlson
Duluth - Maynard Eng

Conference Secretary of Evangelism: Floyd Bosshardt

Chairman of Minimum Salaries: David Gray

At Large: Stuart Joranson
District Superintendent: E. Russell Praetorius

Section on Education and Cultivation

Chairman: Delmont Gordy

Eight District Representatives:
Central: Delmont Gordy
Metro East: Dennis Ruhnke
Metro North: Merrill Harris
Metro South: Conrad Hanson
Northeast: William Kvale
Northwest: Howard Jones
Southeast: Paul Bosshardt
Southwest: Rex Logan

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Metro North: Mrs. Ezra Miller
Metro South: Mrs. Joseph F. Anderson
Northeast: Mrs. Edwin Jessen
Northwest: Mrs. Robert Aldrich
Southeast: Mrs. Everett Friehheit
Southwest: Mrs. Matthew C. Smith

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WSCS Chairman of Missionary Education: Mrs. Paul Lundeen

UMCOR Representative: Omar Hardin

Jurisdictional Representative on National Board: Mrs. W. W. Zahl

District Superintendent: Gerald Walder

BOARD OF CHURCH LOCATION AND BUILDING

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West: Robert Stemme, Joyce Habermann, Randall Harvey, Bryant Spencer, Robert Hasland, Wesley Zimmerli

NORTHEAST DISTRICT: A. George Nelson, William Hamlin, Harold Dayton, Wilbert Traver
B. John Comstock, Oscar C. Johnson, Leslie Drake, Kenneth Jones, Robert Bean, Vincent Palmer

METROPOLITAN EAST DISTRICT: Omar Hardin, Tom Gotschall, Al Meier, Richard Talbott, Ralph Klinkerfues, Tom Andrews

METROPOLITAN NORTH DISTRICT: Roderick McDonald, Robert McClelland, Stuart Joransen, Robert Gerke, John Thuirer, George Ewing

METROPOLITAN SOUTH DISTRICT: Wayne Abdella, Bennett Brudevold, Douglas Marks, Robert Engstrom, Frank Reese, Warren Shultz

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT: Alquinn Toews, Allyn Hanson, J. Carlton Forshee, James Ross, Donald Kinser, James Cross, Herbert Braatz, Charles Ramthun, P. Earl Schwab, Sidney Case

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT: A. Walter Crabtree, Jack Parriott, Keith Duehn, Oliver Marti, Harold M. Davis, Donald Toppin
B. John Miller, Donald Lyon, John Rebstock, Darrell Fauske, Neil Frakes, Dale Kassel

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Chairman, General Welfare: Charles Berg
Chairman, Human Relations: Manning Van Nostrand
Chairman, World Peace: Mrs. Ralph Howe
WSCS Conference Secretary of Christian Social Relations: Mrs. Gordon Gilman

Eight District Directors:
Central: Kenneth Beck
Metro East: William Cox
Metro North: C. C. Peterson
Metro South: Douglas Marks
Northeast: Richard Vork
Northwest: William Butterfield
Southeast: Manning Van Nostrand
Southwest: Carlton Bauer

District Superintendent: Willard Allin

Program Staff: Charles Purdham

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Central: Mrs. F. H. Gates
Metro East: Mrs. James Reynolds
Metro North: Mrs. Philip K. Zietlow
Metro South: Mrs. Loren Benson
Northeast: Mrs. Dale Shanks
Northwest: Mrs. George Privatsky
Southeast: Mrs. W. H. Lillie
Southwest: Mrs. Harlan Lieske

Youth Representative:

Student Representative:

Lay Members at Large:
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Ministers at Large:

Advisory: Dwight Culver, Paul Engstrom, Donald Irish, Leonard Boche

Member of General Board: Deane Postlethwaite

C. CONFERENCE COMMISSIONS

COMMISSION ON WORSHIP

Chairman: Lowell Reinking

District Directors: (one minister and one layman from each district)
Central: Richard Collman, Mrs. Frederick Krueger
Metro East: Arthur Hill, Mrs. C. Dudley Merk
Metro North: Thomas Wright
Metro South: Paul Munion, Mrs. David Schneider
Northeast: Mrs. Harry Dack
Northwest: Richard Kretzschmar, Mrs. David Gray
Southeast: Dennis Hier
Southwest: Dale Wordelman, Mrs. A. F. Krosch

At Large: Robert Kendall, Robert Scoggin, Richard Waggoner, Mrs. Leslie Gasner, Carlton Bauer, Mrs. Allen Moline

District Superintendent: Allen Flohr

COMMISSION ON ECUMENICAL AFFAIRS

Chairman: Mrs. A. O. Hoistad

Vice-Chairman: Glenn Martin
Secretary: Dennis Ruhnke

District Representatives: (one minister and one layman from each district)
- Central: Jerry White, Lyle Day
- Metro East: Robert Laidig, Mrs. A. O. Hoistad
- Metro North: Robert Bailey, Benjamin Greer
- Metro South: Charles Dundas, Mrs. Walter Peterson
- Northeast: Neil Waldo
- Northwest: David Gray, Mrs. Henry Holand
- Southeast: Roger Parks, Mrs. Richard Ormsby
- Southwest: Edward Stevens, Mrs. Merle Fellman

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District Superintendent: Paul Metzger

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Campus Ministry Representative: Carl Caskey

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- C. Young Adult Program: Steven Schomberg, Joseph Pilate, Clare Karsten
- D. Department of Indian Work, Minnesota Council of Churches: Miss Mona Monegar, Mrs. Helen West, Glenn Martin

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Class of 1972: John Espie, Mrs. Robert Murray, Oscar Mayes, Benjamin Greer, William Law, Glenn Martin, Russell Hubbard, Mrs. Edward Martin, Glenroy J. Kunau, Dr. Arthur Flemming, H. F. Cook, Melvyn Budke, Mrs. Harold Lueck
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Class of 1974: C. G. Retherford, Wesley Mellgren, William Kirchner

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Representative of Board of Missions: George W. Chant

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District Superintendent: Wayne Ireland

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District Superintendent: Willard Allin

Alternate of Representative of WSCS: Mrs. Glenn Shaw

Class of 1972: Ernest Lowe, George Butters, M. E. Jarchow, Roy Lockhart, R. S. Heitke

Class of 1973: LeRoy Klaus, Jay Bostrom, Orval C. Dittes, Mrs. Wesley Happel, Harold Kraft

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Class of 1974: Carl Mahle, W. T. Butterfield, Edward Foote, Clayton Burgess, Emery Wallace

Class of 1975: Lewis Allin, Allyn Hanson, Richard Gist, Clinton Becker, Eugene Grover

Representative to Program Council: Orval C. Dittes

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Conference Program Director: Charles Purdham

Conference Director of Youth Ministries: Donald L. Germain

Chairman or Member of Board of the Ministry:

One Representative each from Board of:
Christian Social Concerns: Carleton Bauer
Education: Clemmet Peterson
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Health and Welfare Ministries: Edward Foote
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Metro North: Wendell Ankeny
Metro South: Richard Smith
Northeast: Robert C. Howard
Northwest: Jonathan Law
Southeast: Carlton Forshee
Southwest: David Bosshardt

At Large: Roderick McDonald, Jerry McRoberts, Myrtle Immer, Judy Knobloch, C. O. Becker

Staff: Floyd Bosshardt
District Superintendent: Clarence Nicholas

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Ministers: Donald Sheffield, E. Jerry Walker, Harlyn Hagmann, Kenneth Giere, Robert McClelland

Laymen: Willis A. Kerns, Everett Savage, Robert Anderson, Calvin Rice, William Bevan, Wesley Mellgren

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1972: Arthur Goold, Myles Giese, Mrs. Blake Sower, John Rebstock

1973: Ronald Guderian, Kenneth Wellman, Executive Secretary, William Merritt, Dr. Cecil Fuller, Chairman


One District Superintendent: Clarence Nicholas

D. CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE SESSIONS

1972: Mrs. H. A. Rasmussen, Mrs. H. Ray Piper, Kenneth Beck

1973: Mrs. Forrest Moore, Sec., Gordon Minehardt, Chairman, Wally Green

1974: Mrs. Alan B. Larson, Ezra Budke, Warren Nyberg

Two District Superintendents: E. Russell Praetorius, Willard Allin

Bishop Paul Washburn

Conference Secretary: Donald Walkes

Conference Program Director: Charles Purdham

Host Pastor:

COMMITTEE ON THE LAY WORKER

Robert Scoggin, Mrs. Dale Kenyon, Mrs. Myrtle Immer, Richard Lundy, Deane Postlethwaite, Mrs. Vern Scholer, Miss Verda Aegerter, Lawrence Whiteley, Fred Atkinson

One Representative from Board of Ministry: Peter Ramstad
DELEGATES EXPENSE COMMITTEE

Chairman: Dwight Hendricks

Others: Roy Lockhart, Tom Gotschall, Ronald Galer, Truit Nordstrom, Dale Sander, Leo Hagman, Elmer Huckel, Jerome White

COMMITTEE ON COURTESIES

Forest Strnad, Oley Wilson, Allyn Hanson, Theodore Moritz, David Bosshardt, LaVerne Johnson

COMMITTEE ON JOURNAL

Kenneth Wellman, E. H. Pfeifer, David Kruell

COMMITTEE ON MOVING

Chairman: Harold Zart

1972: Harold Zart, J. Alpha Genmill

1973: David Schneider

1974: Russell Hubbard, George Johnson

1975: William Larson, Keith Duehn

One District Superintendent: Gerald Walder

Alternate: Thomas J. Griffith

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Ministers:
M: Lewis F. Allin, Harold Dayton, James McChesney
E: Delburn Kurtz

Laymen:
M: George Ewing, Mrs. Wegner Collins, Mrs. Blake Sower
E: Mrs. Wesley Mellgren

Elected by Districts:
Central: Charles Berg
Metropolitan East: Robert Laidig
Metropolitan North: Robert Bailey
Metropolitan South: Clifford Rutherford
Northeast: John Jakaway
Northwest: John Fair
Southeast: B. C. Siewert
Southwest: Ralph High
District Superintendent: Willard Allin

COMMITTEE ON STANDING RULES

Dexter Miller, Edward Foote, John Blackford, Thomas Brennan, Howard Krueger, Clarence Richardson

SUPERINTENDENTS COUNSELING COMMITTEE

One minister and one layman from each District:
  Central: Lauritz Nielsen, Lyndon Abraham
  Metropolitan East: Delburn Kurtz, Monte Mason
  Metropolitan North: Justus Olson, William Merritt
  Metropolitan South: Deane Postlethwaite, Fran Faber
  Northeast: Leslie Drake, Gene Halverson
  Northwest: Edward Shannon, Ed Fabian
  Southeast: Merle Dunn, Arthur Hill
  Southwest: John Miller, Mrs. Dana Zimmerli

District Committeemen:
  Central:
  Metropolitan East: Leonard Harkness, Omar Hardin
  Metropolitan North:
  Metropolitan South: Warren Schultz, Bruce Buller
  Northeast: John Anderson, Eugene Grover
  Northwest:
  Southeast: Stanley Hanks, Vernon T. Clarke
  Southwest: Wayne Ankeny, Herbert F. Cook

COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

Members: Calvin Peterson, Winfield Haycock, I. S. Cowman, Ernest Lowe, Keith Duehn

Alternates: Dwight Haberman, Frank DeCourcy, Omer Leske, Carlton Forshee, James McChesney

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Ministers: William G. Law, Chester Pennington, R. E. Marks, Charles Sweet

Bishop Paul Washburn, ex officio

One District Superintendent: Wayne Ireland

COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS

District Representatives:
  Central: Ezra H. Budke
Metropolitan East: Omar Hardin
Metropolitan North: Stuart Joransen
Metropolitan South: Ralph Shoemaker
Northeast: John White
Northwest: Vern E. Schendel
Southeast: Frank Christenson
Southwest: Harold Kraft

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BOARD OF HAMLNE TRUSTEES


Ex-officio: President Richard Bailey, Bishop Paul Washburn

STAR LAKE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

Chairman: William Lee

District Representatives:
- Central: Ronald Galer
- Metropolitan East: C. J. Anderson
- Metropolitan North: L. Edwin Erickson
- Metropolitan South: Tom Goetz
- Northeast: Lawrence Zimmerman
- Northwest: Roscoe Haining
- Southeast: John Phillippe
- Southwest: Edwin O. Bissell
At Large:
1974: Wayne Hanson, Howard Rasmussen
1973: William Lee, Leon Chamberlain
1972: Bruce Goldner, John C. Rowe

At Large: (Elected by Board)
1973: Lloyd Burquest, (Youth Member)
1972: Willard S. Allin, Edward F. Shannon

Staff: Donald L. Germain

NOMINATIONS FOR FRONTENAC CAMP

For election by Annual Conference:
1972: Richard Harper, Glenn L. Quam, Russell Hubbard
1973: Harold Clark, Robert Tard
1974: Warren E. Sommerfield, Delburn Kurtz, John Phillippe
1975: Darrell Dotzenrod, Virgil Coburn, Charles Bauer

Elected by Frontenac Corporation:
1972: Roy Wittenborg, P. Earl Schwab, Claude Bewell
1973: Kermit Wolf, Albert Nienaber, Jr., Robert Hoeft
1974: Thomas Gotschall, Forest V. Strnad
1975: John Blackford, Robert Rollin, Ron Haase

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Mrs. Wesley Mellgren                     Class of 1975
W. G. Manz                             Class of 1975
Vern E. Schendel                        Class of 1975
Kermit Decker                          Class of 1974
George Farnum                          Class of 1974
David Schneider                        Class of 1974
Roy Marks                              Class of 1973
Omer A. Leske                          Class of 1973
Emanuel Skafte                         Class of 1973
Layen R. Adelmann                     Class of 1972
Earl E. Werner                         Class of 1972

Central District Superintendent, ex officio: Clarence Nicholas
Delmont Gordy, Pastor of Paynesville Church
Roy Boehlke, Trustee Representative
Donald L. Germain, Conference Director of Nurture
Business Manager: Russell Portinga

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Class of 1974: James Schneider, James McChesney

Class of 1973: Wayne Ireland, Earl Werner
Class of 1972: Clemmet A. Peterson, Dwight Haberman

Staff: Donald L. Germain

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - DECISION HILLS

Central District Representative elected by District Conference:
- Minister: Kenneth Beck
- Laymen: Ted Drackley
- Layman: Mrs. Donald Kienholz

Southwest District Representative elected by District Conference:
- Minister: Oley Wilson
- Layman: C. J. Krause, Jr.
- Layman: Mrs. Glenn Shaw

Central District Representative elected by the Annual Conference:
- Minister: Ronald Galer
- Minister: Larry Hoganson
- Layman: Mrs. James McLaren
- Layman: Keith Hein

Southwest District Representatives elected by Annual Conference:
- Minister: Marlowe Potter
- Minister: Dwight Hendricks
- Layman: Winfield Forsberg
- Layman: Mrs. Norman Little

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- President of the Corporation: Edwin O. Bissell
- Central District Superintendent: Clarence Nicholas
- Southwest District Superintendent: Gerald Walder
- Central District Lay Leader: Winfield Forsberg
- Southwest District Lay Leader: Loren Shelgren
- Central District Youth Director: Larry Nielsen
- Southwest District Youth Director: Tom Brennan
- Central District Camp Director: Larry Foote
- Southwest District Camp Director: Edwin Bissell
- Conference Director of Nurture: Donald L. Germain

UNITED MINISTRIES IN HIGHER EDUCATION IN MINNESOTA

Lyle Christianson, Donovan Hull, Forrest Moore, Mrs. Ruth Skewes, Bruce Buller

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Forrest Moore, Mrs. Gayle Yates, Leonard Harkness, Robin Peterson, Vernon Jensen
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United Methodist Representatives: Wagner Collins, Charles Dibley, Mrs. Rowena Deweese

WESLEY FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES - BEMIDJI

Lewis Downing, Thomas Walker, Clair Siple, Mrs. Elna Peters, Burton Hoag

UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRY - DULUTH, SUPERIOR UNITED METHODIST REPRESENTATIVES AND WESLEY FOUNDATION BOARD

Glenn Martin, Curtis Miller, A. Dean Headley, Mrs. Charlene Gustafson, Eugene Grover, Miss Hazel Hanson, Mrs. Robert Bean, Irving Palm, George Starr, James Ross, Dean Lind, Oscar Johnson, James Ross, John Schindler, Mrs. Walter Olson, Harry Jones, Richard Nordstrom, Lloyd Dedon, Mrs. Harry Dack, Wayne Ireland, Victor Buller, Robert Carlson, Mike Schaul

JOINT MINISTRIES IN HIGHER EDUCATION IN MANKATO AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WESLEY FOUNDATION AT MANKATO

Class of 1972: Dr. Dwain Peterson

Class of 1973: Dr. E. Dale Peterson

Class of 1974: Mrs. Richard Hamer

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Ex-officio Members: Edward Shannon, Thomas Walker, Richard Kretzschmar

WESLEY FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS - MOORHEAD

Class of 1972: Chester Sautter, Russell Berg, Leland Scott, James Condell, Jonathan Law, Ilona Bryson

Class of 1973: Thomas Williams, Merle Newton, David Little

Class of 1974: Beatrice Lewis, Bernard Curtis, Mrs. Dorothy Thomsen, Thomas Collins

Ex-officio Members: Edward Shannon, Thomas Walker
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United Methodist Representatives: (To be supplied) Melvin Penner, Dennis Miller, Henry Boots, Mrs. Ira Carlson, Norman Ashcraft, Mrs. Gerald Simpson, Bob Stemme, Kenneth Rice

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Central - Immanuel Parish: Harlyn Hagmann, Mrs. Ann Blakely

McKinley Parish: Glenn Quam, Larry Tomten

WESLEY FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES - WINONA

Class of 1972: Ernest Buehler, Glenn Quam, Henry Scharmer, Mrs. Archie Lackore

Class of 1973: Miss Lois Simons, Norman Decker, Richard Horton, Clarence Currier

Class of 1974: H. C. Hagmann, Mrs. James Gordon, R. A. Parks

WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

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Vice-President: Mrs. Kenneth Dowell

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District Superintendent: Tom Walker

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Ex officio Members: Bishop Paul Washburn, Rev. Clare Karsten, Miss Margaret Wilson, Mrs. Alan Larson, Mrs. Dana Zimmerli, Jr., Mrs. Kenneth Dowell, Dr. E. Russell Praetorius - District Superintendent

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Class of 1972: Glyndon Mayo, Miss Beth Bishop, Gerald Walder, Ernest Lowe, Einer Nelson, E. A. Thayer, Rudolph Messerli

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Rev. Clare Karsten  
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III. DAILY PROCEEDINGS

of the

One Hundred Seventeenth Session

MINNESOTA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

of

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Held at
St. Olaf College
Northfield, Minnesota
June 7-10, 1971

DONALD L. WALKES, Secretary
3855 Crystal Lake Blvd.
Robbinsdale, Minnesota 55422
III. DAILY PROCEEDINGS

Monday Afternoon - June 7th, 1971

1. Call to Order: The 117th Session of the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church was called to order by Bishop Paul Washburn at 1:00 P.M. on Monday, June 7th, 1971 at Skoglund Athletic Center, at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota.

2. Worship Service: The Worship Service was led by Jerry Walker.

3. Greetings: Dr. Sidney Rand, President of St. Olaf College, was introduced by Bishop Washburn. Dr. Rand welcomed the conference to the St. Olaf Campus.

4. Motion Carried to Adopt the Agenda.

5. Standing Rules: Bishop Washburn read standing rules under which the Annual Conference session operates. The cabinet recommendations were read by Willard Allin and adopted:

   (1) That the program as prepared by the Conference Session Committee be the official program with the theme, "In His Name Serve!"

   (2) That the bar of the conference be established as the ground floor and stage of the field house and that all visitors and guests be respectfully requested to sit only in the bleacher sections when the conference is in session.

   (3) That the times set be observed as far as possible and that orders of the day be limited to those requiring a specified notice. In the event of delay occasioned by debate, the order is to be followed consecutively as printed in the conference program.

   (4) That total presentations of boards and agencies be limited to twenty minutes except as stipulated in the conference program with individual speeches limited to ten minutes. Visitors to the conference, except for those invited for evening programs, will come under this rule.

   (5) That requests for presentation of guests be made to the Committee on Courtesies for presentation at the end of morning and afternoon sessions. The Cabinet wives and spouses of Conference program staff persons are to be presented Thursday at 10:15 A. M.

   (6) Requests for excuse from portions of the conference sessions shall be made through the district superintendents.

   (7) That these recommendations be made a part of the bylaws for this session with any change requiring a two-third vote.

   (8) That Donald Walkes be elected as conference secretary and Harold A. Clark as Conference statistician with their assistants to be named by them.
(9) That Carlton Forshee, Roy Heitke, and Emory Wallace be the committee on the Journal and that their report be the first order of business each day.

(10) That the Board of the Ministry report for the entire conference on the character of the ministers as provided for in paragraph 663, Book of Discipline.

(11) That the Cabinet be empowered to make necessary adjustments in personnel on boards, commissions and committees following changes in appointments.

(12) That all details of arrangements for business sessions including distribution of printed materials be cleared through the Management Subcommittee of the Conference Sessions Committee, Gordon Minehart, chairman, Mrs. Peggy Reko, floor manager.

6. The Secretary announced the Roll Call of Ministers and Laymen.

7. Youth Delegation: Motion carried that the youth delegation be seated on the floor of the conference with privilege of speaking.

8. Delegate Expense: Dwight Hendricks instructed the members of conference on the preparation of the expense card.

9. District Superintendents' Report: The District Superintendents' Report was presented by Allen Flohr. Motion carried to receive the report. Superintendent Nicholas reported the death this morning of the infant daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Lauritz Nielsen of Olivia. John W. Jakway offered prayer on behalf of this family. Motion carried that the conference send expressions of sympathy to the Nielsen family. Bishop Washburn expressed his appreciation for the work of the cabinet.

10. Staff Report: The composite report was presented by Charles Purdham and motion carried to receive the report. Bishop Washburn spoke in appreciation for the staff personnel.

11. Board of Ministry partial report: Richard Reynolds introduced the following persons who are to be received in full connection and ordained as elders this conference session:

   C. Wendell Ankeny
   Robert N. Dunn
   S. Mark Garrison
   Thomas A. Gotschall
   Richard W. Ireland
   Arthur E. Kramer
   Douglas R. Nicholas
   William A. Rowen
   Bill P. Russell
   Dale A. Sanders
   Kenneth Stewart
Motion to receive these men in full connection carried, (only ministers in full connection voting). Motion carried that they be granted elders orders. Motion carried that the orders of Bill Russell from the Church of the Nazarene and Arthur Kramer from ULCA be recognized. Motion carried that E. Taylor Hare and Thomas Payne be readmitted to full connection from voluntary location. Russell Hubbard introduced Ed Martin and recommended that he be retired after 39 years of service. Ed Martin spoke words of gratitude to the Minnesota Conference. His retirement was granted.

12. **Report of the Minnesota Council of Churches**: Dr. Alton Motter, Executive Secretary of the Council, presented the report. Motion carried to receive the report with appreciation.

13. **First Consent Calendar**: The secretary read the First Consent Calendar comprising the 1970 reports of boards and agencies as follows:

- Council on Ministries
- Conference Calendar
- Board of Health and Welfare
- Montevideo Methodist Home, Inc.
- Board of The Laity
- Board of the Ministry
- Board of Missions
- Commission on Communications
- Committee on Moving
- Policy Structure & Strategy Committee
- Women's Society of Christian Service
- The Minnesota Council of Churches
- Board of Missions Report - Record of National Board Support
- Enlistment for Church Occupations

14. **References to Legislative Committees**: References were made as follows:

From the Council on Ministries - Conference newspaper, a full-time staff person assigned to Stewardship and Lay Work, policies with reference to priority payments, revised budgets of the Board of Christian Social Concerns and the Board of Missions to Committee No. 4.

Challenge Giving - Committee No. 8.

From the Board of Missions - Net Lake Residue for Onamia-Vineland Indians, Guidelines for Aid and Funding Requests, Minutes of the Smaller Communities Department to No. 7.

Advance Special and Challenge Giving, Minutes of the Education and Cultivation Section, Minutes of the Board of Missions and Executive Committee to No. 8.

Church Extension Money for Camphor Church, Minutes of Minnesota Mission and Church Extension Section, Minutes of Urban Ministries Department to No. 6.
Income from Permanent Church Extension Funds to No. 14.

From the Communications Committee - Conference Newspaper to No. 17 and No. 13.

Enabling action to support the ministry of Camphor United Methodist Church in the Summit-University Community to No. 6.

Program Proposals - Board of Laity to No. 12 and No. 20.

People's Church to Committee No. 6.

An Open Letter to No. 13.

From Christian Social Action, Rust College, and Hamline University to Committee No. 13.

Abortion Law and No-strik e Law for Teachers to No. 9.

15. Reduction in Number of Districts: Charles Sweet moved that for the 1973 conference year, beginning in July, 1972, this Minnesota Annual Conference reduce the number of its Districts from eight to six, that the 1972 budget be amended (with reference to the second half of the 1972 fiscal year item for District Superintendents Fund) to read $175,584 instead of $200,584 and that consideration of these changes be now referred to the Legislative Committee on Budget and Apportionments (No. 13) as a part of its work report for this Session of the Conference. Motion Carried.

16. References Continued: Minimum Salary to Committee No. 16.

From the Board of Christian Social Concerns - Request to reinstate Funding, the 1973 Budget to Committee No. 13.

Rust College and Hamline University to Committee No. 13 and No. 5.

Distribution of Funds to No. 13.

Conference Program Staff to No. 13.


Reinstatement of Funds to the 1972 budget to No. 6.

Palestinian Refugee Problem, State of War Message, The Right to Know, to No. 11.


The Ecology Crisis, Public Aid to Parochial Schools, and Individual Liberty & Army Surveillance to No. 9.
Board of Education 1971-72 Programs to No. 4.

Board of Education 1971-72 Proposals to No. 2.

Board of Education Higher Education to No. 3.

Board of Evangelism Report to No. 5.

Board of Trustees to No. 14.

Commission on Archives and History Report and Recommendations to No. 19.

Commission on Ecumenical Affairs Report and Recommendations to No. 1.

Commission on Worship Report and Recommendations to No. 18.


17. **Consecration of Lay Worker**: Motion carried that William McPherson be consecrated to the office of Lay Worker at the service tonight.

18. **Order of the Day**: Motion carried that debate on the number of district superintendents for the Minnesota Conference be the order of the day at 10:00 A.M. Tuesday, June 8.

19. **Motion to Extend Time in order to complete the afternoon agenda lost.**

20. **Recess**: The Conference was in recess.

**Monday Evening**

21. **Episcopal Address and Consecration to the Office of Lay Worker**: The Conference assembled in the Boe Memorial Chapel for worship. Thomas Wright and Lowell Reinking were liturgists. Music was provided by the Brooklyn Church Choir. Richard F. Collman was organist. Bishop Washburn addressed the conference on the subject “In His Name Serve”. William McPherson was consecrated to the office of Lay Worker.

**Tuesday Morning**

22. **Worship**: The conference met in Boe Memorial Chapel, led by Carlton Bauer, liturgist, and Richard Harper, organist. Dr. E. Russell Praetorius brought the message on the theme, “Priority One”.

23. **Call to Order**: Bishop Washburn called the conference to order and led in prayer.

24. **Committee on Journal**: Carlton Forshee reported that the Journal for Monday was reviewed and he moved its approval. Motion was seconded and carried.
25. **First Ballot for Delegates to General Conference:** Willard Allin read the names of the lay and ministerial tellers as follows:

**List of Lay Tellers:**

I  
Glenn Darling  
Mrs. Lawrence Korda  
Mrs. Bernice Nehring  
Paul Gress  
Lowell Schrupp  
Stanley Allen  
R. S. Rasmussen  
Winfield Forsberg  
Charles Russell  
Mrs. Harry Dack  
Dr. Cecil Fuller

II  
Dr. Kenneth Miller  
Arlyn Martig  
A. J. Michalaski  
Margaret Kimble  
Mrs. Al Koenig  
James Robinson  
Robert Kirchner  
Mrs. Francisco Rodriguez  
Mrs. B. N. Weseman  
George Olson  
Mrs. Kenneth Dowell

III  
Mrs. Warren Hardy  
Lon Moon  
Reginald Mead  
Douglas Blakeman  
Mrs. Darrell Newcomb  
Mrs. Paul Boening  
Howard Paschke  
Miss Margaret Townsend  
William Hnatko  
Murray Payne

**List of Ministerial Tellers:**

I  
Frederick D. Atkinson  
Robert L. Gamble  
M. Elizabeth Suiter  
Kenneth James Davis  
Earl Edward Stephan  
David Mead  
Vinton G. Beckstrom  
John L. Phillippe  
Lester C. Wolter  
Dwight Wesley Hendricks  
Don Dee Maronde  
David Bosshardt  
Russell Kleinbach

II  
Calvin G. Daniels  
James E. Roe  
Thomas R. Wright  
Loren James Grage  
Thorne Kermit Wittstruck  
Roger Parks  
David P. Burgess  
Donald E. Selger  
Earl Andrew Almquist  
Peter Gentry Law  
Marvin Eugene Repinski  
Paul H. Bosshardt  
Norman C. Witt

III  
Lloyd J. Daniels  
Steven F. Schomberg  
Richard Forrest Collman  
Allan Paul Olson  
Richard Gist  
James A. Baker  
David D. Kruell  
Kenneth L. Wellman  
John Jay Fair  
Roy Eugene Lockhart  
James Dean Truax  
Lavern Lee Johnson

B. Bishop Washburn instructed the members of conference regarding the election of lay and ministerial delegates to General Conference by reading Paragraphs 39 and 40 from the Discipline.
C. Both lay and ministerial ballots were cast.

26. **Order of the Day**: Debate on the number of Districts. Charles Sweet offered the motion that for the 1973 Conference Year, beginning in July, 1972, this Minnesota Annual Conference reduce the number of its Districts from eight to six, that the 1972 budget be amended (with reference to the second half of the 1972 fiscal year item for District Superintendents’ Fund) to read $175,584, instead of $200,584. The motion was seconded. Kenneth Beck offered a substitute motion that the Conference establish seven districts. The motion was seconded. After considerable discussion, the Conference indicated by a show of hands that it was ready to vote upon the substitute motion. The motion lost. Richard Mathison moved to cut off debate and called for the question. The motion was seconded and carried. The original motion by Charles Sweet carried.

27. **Introduction**: W. T. Handy Jr., representing the Publishing House, was introduced by Bishop Washburn. He presented a check of $15,713.81 to the Conference Treasurer which represents the share from the Publishing House to the Conference Board of Pensions.

28. **Point of Personal Privilege**: Bruce Buller requested the conference to stand in prayer in behalf of Minneapolis mayoralty candidates, Mr. Charles Stenvig and Mr. Harry Davis and their families, on this election day. Their pastors, Jonathan Leonard and Warren Nyberg, led in prayer. The conference sang the first verse of “Amazing Grace”.

29. **Report of the Conference Treasurer**: The report was presented by Betty Jean Foster. Motion carried to receive the report with gratitude to Betty Jean Foster.

30. **Report of the Commission on World Service and Finance**: The report was presented by Willis Kerns. Motion was made and seconded to adopt the report.

31. **Order of the Day**: Motion carried that the Legislative Committee No. 6 report pertaining to Camphor Church be the Order of the Day at 2:30.

32. **Recess**: The conference was in recess.

**Tuesday Afternoon**

33. **Call to Order**: The Conference sang “O God Our Help in Ages Past”.

34. **Report on the First Ballot for Delegates to General Conference**:

A. Lay delegates elected: Wesley Mellgren, Lyle Schreiber, and John Espie. Motion carried that the biographical sketches for laymen receiving more than five votes on the first ballot and all persons who were nominated by the local churches through due process, be distributed before the second ballot.

B. Ministers: No election.
35. A second ballot for ministerial delegates was cast.

36. **Introductions**: Ray Anderson, new state staff person for U. M. H. E. and John Preston, U. M. H. E. campus minister at Winona, were introduced. Mr. Pat Marx, coordinator of the Joint Legislative Coalition, was introduced and spoke briefly.

37. Report of the Commission on World Service and Finance was continued. The report was adopted. See report.

38. **Order of the Day**: Legislative Committee No. 6 report concerning Camphor Church. Motion made and seconded to adopt the recommendations: Church Extension Money for Camphor Church and Enabling Action to Support the Ministry of Camphor Church. Joe Camp, lay leader of Camphor Church, expressed the concerns of the local congregation. The motion was made and seconded to amend the original motion that the monies received from the sale or rental of the two district parsonages which become expendable during the 1972-1973 conference year be used to help underwrite the rebuilding and program of Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church. The motion lost. Motion carried that the matter of support for Camphor church be laid on the table to be lifted at such time as the Bishop shall determine, in the evening session, at which time a committee which the Bishop shall appoint, shall make recommendations as to the guidelines to be followed in implementing conference action.

39. **Recess**: The conference was in recess.

40. The second ballot for lay delegates to General Conference was cast.

41. Report of the second ballot for ministerial delegates to General Conference. No election. Motion made and seconded that in case of no election on the third ballot for E. U. B. delegates that the two persons receiving the most votes became candidates. The motion lost.

42. The third ballot for ministerial delegates to General Conference was cast.

43. **Quadrennial Emphasis Committee-(Reconciliation Fund) report**: The report was presented by Kathleen Haining. Robert Bailey moved the adoption of the Quadrennial Emphasis Committee report and that churches of the Minnesota Annual Conference join in the General Church emphasis in the fall of 1971 to further underwrite Minnesota's share in the Reconciliation Fund. The motion was seconded and carried.

44. **Moving Expense Committee Report**: The report was presented by Harold Zart. Motion carried to adopt report. See report.

45. **Report of the Commission on Minimum Salaries and Mutual Aid**: The report was presented by David Gray. The report was held over until the evening session.

46. **Introduction**: Walter Albritton, Director of the Department of Koinonia Ministries of the Board of Evangelism, was introduced.
47. Greetings: Gary Lueck presented greetings from the Alaska Conference.

48. Camphor Committee: Bishop Washburn appointed the following persons to the Committee: John Espie, Joe Camp, Joe Pilate, Wally Green, Norma Larson, Willis Kerns, Paul Metzger.

49. Request for Prayer: Tom Walker requested the conference to be in prayer in behalf of Lloyd Osborne, who recently suffered a heart attack and for Mrs. Royal Steiner, who is undergoing surgery on Wednesday. Motion carried to send our good wishes, our concern, and the assurance of our prayers to both of these persons.

50. Greetings: The Conference received greetings from Irving Putnam.

51. Recess for Dinner: The Conference sang “Joy to the World” and was in recess.

Tuesday Evening

52. Call to Order: Bishop Washburn called the Conference to Order and led in prayer. The Conference joined in praying the Lord’s Prayer.


54. The Third Ballot for Lay Delegate to General Conference was cast.


56. Fourth Ballot for Ministerial Delegate to General Conference was cast.

57. Request for Prayer: It was announced that the husband of Norma Larson is very ill in the hospital. Bishop Washburn asked Dr. Winfield Haycock to lead the Conference in prayer.

58. Address: Bishop Washburn introduced Miss Theresa Hoover from the Women’s Division of the Board of Missions, who addressed the Conference. Lyle Christianson moved that the material presented by Miss Hoover be gratefully received and made available in writing to the members of the Annual Conference. The motion was seconded and carried.

59. Report of the Third Ballot for Lay Delegate to General Conference: There was no election. Motion carried that should an election not be effected on the fourth ballot, that all be eliminated but the top three vote-getters on the succeeding ballot.

60. Fourth Ballot for Lay Delegate to General Conference was cast.

62. Fifth Ballot for Ministerial Delegation to General Conference was cast.

63. Report of the Camphor Church Committee: Background material was presented by John Espie, Paul Metzger, Tom Payne and Pastor Joe Pilate. John Espie outlined the possible financing for the building project. Mathison moved that all matters relating to Camphor Church be referred back to the committee until such time as the committee can present recommendations in mimeographed form to the members of the Conference for study. Paul Metzger moved to amend the previous motion that only the plan for financing the building program be referred back to the committee with instructions to fix goals and time schedules. The amendment was seconded and passed. The amended motion of Mathison passed. The recommendations of Legislative Committee No. 6 pertaining to Camphor Church were passed, except those matters pertaining to the building program.

64. Proposed Change in Standing Rules:

A. Under Miscellaneous Recommendations, (page 396, 1969 Journal), Program Council new number 6. Whereas there is a leak of clarification with regard to how Mann Fund Resources will be committed for the purpose of making studies, therefore be it resolved that it is the understanding of this Annual Conference that the Board of Trustees has jurisdiction over the Mann Fund, and be it further resolved that the Council on Ministries be charged with the determination of what studies shall be funded by these resources.


A. Rules of Procedure

f. (p. 376) to Read:

The Program Council will allocate the total amounts allowed for program and benevolences according to a system of priorities to be developed by the Program Council and will furnish the Commission on World Service and Finance with this recommended allocation. Each board and agency will allocate the total amount granted to it according to its priorities.

65. Order of the Day: Clem Peterson moved that the report of Legislative Committees Number 2, 3 and 4 be the order of the day following the report of the Board of Ministry on Wednesday morning.

66. Proposed Change in Standing Rules: Page 375, III World Service and Finance, Section A. Rules of Procedure, Paragraph 9, to be amended from $25,000.00 to $250,000.00.

67. Recess: The conference was in recess.
Wednesday Morning

68. **Call to Order:** Bishop Washburn called the conference to order.

69. **Worship:** The conference was led in worship by Glenn Martin, liturgist and Richard Waggoner, organist.

70. **Committee on Journal:** Roy Heitke reported the proceedings were reviewed and found in order and moved the adoption of this part of the journal. They were adopted.

71. **Alternates to Jurisdictional Conference:** Motion carried to elect two alternates in each category (lay delegates, EUB; lay delegates, Methodist; ministerial delegates, EUB; ministerial, Methodist) “for jurisdictional conference.”


73. First ballot for lay delegate to jurisdictional conference was cast.


75. First ballot for ministerial delegates to jurisdictional conference was cast.

76. **Order of the Day:**

   Report of the Board of Ministry:

   Who are eligible to be appointed as:

   a. Full-time lay pastors (No. 348.1) and what progress has each made in the course of study?

      George E. Beck - second year
      J. Ronald Galer - completed, elder
      Leo C. Hagmann - completed, elder
      James E. Jameson - first year
      Gordon D. Johnson - completed
      John W. White - completed, elder

   b. Part-time lay pastors? (No. 348.2) and what progress has each made in the course of study?

      James M. Alexander - completed, elder
      Myles K. Kiese - second year
      Richard R. Reahard - first year
      Elmer Suderman - first year

   c. Student lay pastors? (No. 348.3) and in what schools are they enrolled?
d. Ministers from other denominations?

Richard Scheerer (U. C. C.)
Elton Brown (U. C. C.)
Ronald Hess (Pres.)
Albert A. Kosower (U. C. C.)
Erwin Boettcher (Moravian)
Neal Lloyd (United Presb.)
Robert Paulson (Wisc. Conf.)
Donald M. Sterling (U. C. C.)
Leslie H. Sanders (U. C. of Canada, R. S.)
E. C. Steffy (Mennonite)
Dean Carlson (United Presb.)
Willard Vannett (Alliance)
David Jamieson (U. P.)
Daniel Busch (U. C. C.)
Edwin Werner (N. D.)
Carl Clausen (U. C. C.)
Douglas Ostlund (U. C. C.)

What preachers, coming from other Christian churches, have had their order recognized? (P. 375.2)

a. As deacons? None

b. As elders? Calvin Hanson, U. C. C.

Who have been admitted from other Christian churches? (P. 375-375.3)

b. As Probationary Members? Calvin Hanson

Who have been admitted as Associate Members? (P 323) Warren T. White

Who are admitted as Probationary Members?

a. With degrees from accredited or approved colleges and credits from accredited or approved schools of theology? (P 327.1-327.2)


Who are continued as Probationary Members and what progress have they made in their ministerial studies? (P 329)

a. As students in approved schools of theology? David Dutcher, 2nd yr.; Ronald Nicholas, 2nd yr.; Gregory Renstrom, 2nd yr.; Gene Rick, 2nd yr.; Duane Sarazin, 2nd yr.; Jack Smith, 2nd yr.; Alice Soderfelt, 2nd yr.; Grant Tanner, 2nd yr.

Who are discontinued as Probationary Members? John Simonds

Who have been elected deacons: (P 312)


Who have been ordained deacons? Stephen Boehlke, Daniel Hair, James Horn, Mary Kraus, Loren Nelson, Lynn Pries, Charles Ramberg, Neil Westby, Warren White, Curtis Wilbur, Robert Zeimes.

Who have been elected elders: (P 314)


Who have been ordained elders? Robert Dunn, Richard Ireland, Douglas Nicholas, Dale Sanders.

Who are readmitted? (P 367)

b. As Members in Full Connection: E. Taylor Hare, H. Thomas Payne.

Who have had their conference membership terminated?

a. By voluntary location? (P 366) James Truax, Gerald Young.


Who are the supernumerary ministers and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? (P 358) E. A. Schoppert (15)

Who are granted sabbatical leave? (P 356) Ira Allen, Mary MacNicholl, Burton Hoag.

What actions have been taken concerning disabled ministers and lay pastors?

c. Who are granted disability leave at this session? (P 357) Merlin Burgette, LeRoy Roesti.

What members in Full Connection have been retired?
a. This year? Arthur Goold, A. Dean Headley, Wilfred Plummer, Stanley Williams, E. Taylor Hare, according to P 362.2. Delbert Tryon, Ray Thompson, according to P 363.1.

What lay pastors have been retired?

a. This year? Wesley Pope.

Who are appointed to attend school (P 352.7)

b. Probationary Member? David Dutcher, Wesley; Randall Harvey, St. Paul; Ronald Nicholas, St. Paul; Gregory Renstrom, St. Andrews; Gene Rick, ETS; Duane Sarazin, ETS; Jack Smith, St. Paul; Grant Tanner, St. Paul; Stephen Boehlke, Princeton; Daniel Hair, Asbury; John A. Harris, Yale; James W. Haun, Perkins; James A. Horn, Garrett; Mary Kraus, Boston; Loren Nelson, Illif; Charles Ramberg, Perkins; Allan Vrieze, Chandler; Neil Westby, UTS-Dayton; Curtis Wilbur, MethSo-Ohio; Robert Zeimes, UTS-Minn.

Above actions were duly passed by vote of the ministers in full connection. Arthur Goold, Wilfred Plummer, Rev. and Mrs. Headley, and Rev. and Mrs. E. Taylor Hare and Wesley Pope were called to the platform and each spoke briefly. The report of the ministerial education fund was presented by Duane Luneman. See Report.

Motion carried to adopt this portion of the report of the Board of Ministry and to print it in the Journal.

77. Transfers: Bishop Washburn read the list of transfers out of the Minnesota conference:

Jerry D. McInnes Elder to Nebraska June 1, 1971
Morris J. Morgan Elder to North Indiana May 24, 1971
Douglas Pederson Deacon P.M. to West Michigan June 17, 1971
Lynn Pries Deacon P.M. to Northern Illinois June 10, 1971

b. Bishop Washburn read the list of ministers transferring into the conference:

Jerald Barnhart Elder from South Dakota Nov. 1, 1970
Russell A. Huffman Elder from North Dakota July 1, 1971
Larry David Gilmore Elder from Iowa June 9, 1971
Alan Smiley Deacon P.M. from Central Pa. June 9, 1971

Jerald Barnhart and Alan Smiley were introduced to the conference and each spoke briefly.

78. Greeting: Rev. and Mrs. Delbert Tryon. Ed Foote reported that Mrs. Delbert Tryon was in the hospital in the cities and he moved that we send greetings and our concern to both of them during this conference session. Motion Carried.
79. **Order of the Day:** Report of Legislative Committee No. 2 - Education, Camping:

Recommendation No. 1 regarding camping was approved as amended. Recommendation No. 2 regarding camping was approved.

The report of Legislative Committee No. 3 - Higher Education:

Recommendation No. 1 Challenge Giving and Rust College was approved as amended. Recommendation No. 2 relating to Race Relations offerings and Rust College was approved. Recommendation No. 3 - Section of Higher Education - was approved. Recommendations No. 4 and No. 5 regarding Hamline University and Rust College were tabled until receiving another report from an additional committee.

The report of Legislative Committee No. 4:

The recommendation was approved.

80. **Recess:** The conference was in recess.

81. The conference sang the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy".

82. Report of the first ballot for lay delegate for jurisdictional conference. There was no election.

83. Motion carried that ballots for election shall be on the basis of the following formula:

- Ballot 2 - full
- Ballot 3 - top 21 candidates
- Ballot 4 and succeeding ballots to be reduced by 3 for each position elected.

84. The second ballot was cast for lay delegates to jurisdictional conference.


86. Reading of election results. Motion carried that in subsequent reading of the election results, those with less than 10 votes not be included in the reading.

87. Second ballot for ministerial delegate to jurisdictional conference was cast.

88. **Order of the day:** Corporate Session

   a. Report of the Board of Trustees. Perry Hultin, chairman of the board moved that we become a corporate session. Motion carried.

Report of the Legislative Committee No. 14 by Douglas Marks:
It was moved and seconded that we approve the first recommendation regarding income from permanent church extension funds. Motion seconded. Floyd Bosshardt moved to amend by inserting after the word return in the last line, these words "assuring a minimum of $20,000 per year". Fremont Fletcher moved to amend the amendment as follows: "that the Board of Trustees explore with the trustees of the United Methodist Foundation the concept of providing for current use an agreed percentage from either income or principal so as to permit freedom of the investment and yet permit some budgetary planning." This amendment lost. The Amendment to the motion lost. The original amendment was approved.

Recommendation No. 2 was approved.

Recommendation No. 3 approved.

The corporate session of the Board of Trustees was adjourned.

B. The conference convened in corporate session as Board of Pensions, Inc. with Clifford Wittstruck acting chairman. The report was presented by Carl Mahle, secretary. The following four motions were introduced by Carl Mahle and each was duly approved:

1. That the minutes of our 1970 annual corporate session, as recorded on pages 195 of the 1970 Conference Journal and Yearbook, be approved without reading.

2. That we elect these persons nominated to be directors in the Class of 1974: Robert James, William Friesen, Roscoe Haining, Bernard Curtis and Wolf Aussendorf.

3. That the following officers nominated by the directors be elected by this corporation: Norman Jentink, President; Roscoe Haining, Vice President; Clifford Wittstruck, Executive Secretary; Edwin Bissell, Treasurer; and Carl Mahle, Secretary.

4. That we commend and thank Orval C. Dittes, retired but tireless in good works of faith and love, for compiling and sending the Christmas newsletter to our retired men and women.

As Executive Secretary Mr. Wittstruck reported that additional money had been added to our Permanent Funds, including $500 from the Estate of Luella Mahle, and almost $20,000 from former E.U.B. Conference funds. The Permanent Fund balance at the end of 1970 was over $858,000. We had also over $19,000 in "Current Funds," making our total endowment assets for pensions about $878,000 as of Dec. 31, 1970.

These funds are invested for us by the General Board of Pensions of The United Methodist Church, and currently are yielding 6 percent interest income. This should bring an estimated income of over $52,000 during 1971. Of this amount our directors had voted to appropriate $40,000 toward the funding of
the $60 per year of service basic pension annuity, and of the balance enough to provide an additional $2 per year of service, toward the proposed total pension annuity during 1972 of $69 per year of service.

Mr. Wittstruck reported also that in the next 30 to 60 days our Permanent Fund would be increased by some $40,000 from the disposition of the Jessie B. Grubbs Trust under the Will of Jessie T. Cobb.

The report was received for printing in the Journal. The following resolution to correct the record was presented by Jay Bostrom:

The 1970 Journal omitted on page 40 of the conference:

"giving of the report of the Conference Board of Pensions by Clifford M. Wittstruck, executive secretary and Jay N. Bostrom, chairman. Conference voted approval. This included the report and actions given on pages 194-195 and 237-238 of the 1970 Journal."

The Budget was presented by Clifford Wittstruck. The recommendations and resolutions of the Conference Board of Pensions were approved. See report.


89. Recess: The conference was in recess with prayer by Kenneth Beck.

Wednesday Afternoon

90. Call to Order: Bishop Washburn called the conference to order with prayer.

91. Report of the 2nd ballot for lay delegates to jurisdictional conference.
Elected: Sam Richardson, Fremont Fletcher, Winfield Forsberg, Norma Larson, Calvin C. Rice.

92. Proposal for election of alternate delegates to jurisdictional conference. Motion carried with regard to EUB lay delegates that we vote for two on the next ballot and the two highest be elected without majority vote (plurality). Regarding Methodist lay delegates, that the next two highest on the final collective ballot be the alternate lay delegates to the jurisdictional conference.

93. The third ballot for lay delegates to jurisdictional conference was cast.

95. The third ballot for ministerial delegates to jurisdictional conference was cast.

96. Report of the Statistician. The report was presented by Harold Clark. Motion carried to accept the report.

97. Introduction: Bishop Washburn presented George Peterson, chairman of Hamline University Board of Trustees, and President Bailey. Both spoke in the interests of the university.


99. The fourth ballot for lay delegates to jurisdictional conference. Ballots were cast for two reserves on the EUB side and one Methodist lay delegate.

100. Report of the Council on Ministries. The report was presented by Kathleen Haining.

A. Motion carried that the lay members of the conference staff, Grace Carlock and John Espie, be approved for the coming year.

B. A list of possible objectives for the Minnesota Annual Conference during the coming quadrennium was distributed and members of the conference were asked to rate them in order of their desired priority.

C. The report of the Council on Ministries was adopted.

101. Order of the Day: Motion carried to make the reading of the appointments the order of the day at 4:30 P.M.


103. The 5th Ballot for ministerial delegates to jurisdictional conference was cast.


105. The report of Legislative Committee No. 9 was presented. Resolution A was adopted. Resolution B was adopted. Resolution C, a motion was made and seconded to adopt. A motion to lay the resolution on the table was defeated. A motion was made and seconded to amend the motion by inserting in the third line after the word woman, "after undergoing counseling that she might be fully aware of the physical, psychological and spiritual aspects of such an act". The amendment carried. The motion as amended carried.

107. The 5th ballot for lay delegate Methodist and lay reserve delegates Methodist to jurisdictional conference was cast.

108. Report of the 5th ballot for lay delegates and lay reserve delegates Methodist to the jurisdictional conference. Elected - Fran Faber, delegate; Mrs. Kenneth Dowell and Mrs. Louise Hoistad, reserves.


110. The 6th ballot for Methodist ministerial delegates and the 1st ballot for EUB reserve delegates to the jurisdictional conference was cast.

111. Recess.

112. Report from legislative committee No. 10. Recommendation 1 - rights of homosexuals was adopted. Recommendation 2 - white racism, motion made and seconded to amend by adding the following, "We also express our approval of such action on human rights guidelines as voted by the Minneapolis School Board." The amendment lost. The recommendation was approved. Recommendation No. 3 - education, was adopted. Recommendation No. 4 - ecology crisis, by common consent the words "other than those adopted" was inserted in the 8th line after the word children. A motion was made and seconded to amend the recommendation by adding between the two paragraphs of the resolution these sentences: "Man, as a God-created being, does not own the earth. Mankind's happiness, prosperity or survival is not of ultimate concern. Rather, 'the Earth is the Lord's, and all its fullness' and man, as tenant upon God's earth, having been given dominion over all the things of the earth, has also been given the responsibility to give as much consideration to the rights of non-human life and the preservation of natural resources as he does to his own." The motion to amend carried. The amended resolution was adopted.

113. Order of the Day: Motion carried that Legislative Committee No. 13 be the order of the day Thursday at 9:00 A.M.

114. Order of the Day: The reading of the appointments was done by Bishop Washburn.

115. Recess: The conference recessed by singing "Blest be the Tie that Binds" and the Bishop leading in prayer.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

116. Service of Ordination: The Conference met in Boe Memorial Chapel for the Service of Ordination and Memorial Service at 8:00 P.M. Music was provided by the conference ministers chorus under the direction of
Harold Biederman. Richard Waggoner was the organist. The Memorial Roll was read by Stuart A. Joransen.

Bishop Paul Washburn preached the ordination sermon on the theme “Equipping the Saints”. Ordinands were presented by Charles Purdham and Richard Reynolds. A reception for the ordinands followed the ordination service.

**THURSDAY MORNING**

117. **Call to Order**: Bishop Washburn called the conference to order.

118. **Worship**: James Ross led in worship.

119. **Report of the Committee on Journal**: Carlton Forshee reported that the committee examined the journal for Wednesday and found it correct. Motion carried to approve the journal.


121. The 6th ballot was cast for ministerial delegates to jurisdictional conference.

122. **Youth Council responsibility**: Motion carried that if the proposed amendment No. 6 to the constitution is approved by the general church, the youth council be given responsibility for the selection of two such youth delegates from each district. This would begin with the selection of delegates for the 1972 Annual Conference.

123. **Order of the Day**: 9:00 A.M. Report of Legislative Committee No. 13. Recommendation No. 1 - carried. Recommendation No. 2 - motion made and seconded to adopt. Bill Kearns offered the following substitute motion. Resolved for 1971 and 1972 and for all subsequent years until changed by subsequent action of this conference. (1) all budget items of benevolences shall be put on ratio division (2) all conference expense items that are not benevolent shall be assigned priorities by the program council. Motion carried to refer this matter to the Commission on World Service and Finance in order to provide a list of those items on priority and those on ratio division.

124. Report of the 6th ballot for ministerial delegates for jurisdictional conference. There was no election. Motion carried that if there is no election on the next ballot, the top four vote getters be candidates.

125. The 7th ballot for ministerial delegates to jurisdictional conference was cast.

126. **Legislative Committee No. 13 (cont.)** Recommendation No. 4 - motion made and seconded to approve. Motion
to delete No. 3 in recommendation No. 4 failed. A motion to refer to the committee for clarification failed. An amendment to insert the word "conference" in item No. 3 just before the word "staff" and after the word "staff" to add in parenthesis (to mean those employed by the Council on Ministries) carried and the addition following the word "filled" "by hiring a replacement". Motion carried for a separation of the question so that items No. 1 and 2 will be considered only under recommendation No. 4. Item No. 3 will be moved for consideration with recommendation No. 5. Items No. 1 and 2 were approved. Recommendation No. 5 carried including the addition of item No. 3 from recommendation No. 4.

127. Report of the 7th ballot. Elected - Clarence Nicholas. Motion carried that if there is an election on the next ballot, the persons running 2nd and 3rd be the reserve delegates.

128. The 8th ballot for ministerial delegates for jurisdictional conference was cast.

129. Legislative committee No. 13 cont.

Recommendation No. 6 was carried.

Recommendation No. 7 was tabled until the report of Legislative Committee No. 17 is available.

Recommendation No. 8 tabled until standing rule is considered.

Recommendation No. 9 motion made and seconded to adopt. Buller moved and it was seconded to lift from the table and to substitute for the recommendation recommendations 4 & 5 of Legislative Committee No. 3. Motion was made and seconded to divide the question and consider Hamline University first. Motion failed.

130. Order of the day: Bishop Washburn presented the wives of the conference staff and the superintendents and Mr. Washburn. Mrs. Tom Walker spoke in behalf of the wives.

131. Recess.

132. Report of the 8th Ballot for ministerial delegates to the jurisdictional conference. There was no election.

133. The 9th ballot was cast for ministerial members to the jurisdictional conference.

134. Legislative Committee report No. 13. Continuation of consideration of recommendation No. 9. Kenneth Beck moved a substitute for the substitute motion as follows: "I move as a substitute for all that is before us that these two institutions receive as follows: (1) Rust College from the regular budget $45,000 (2) Hamline University (a) from regular budget $40,000 (b) Challenge Giving $32,500. It is further the sense of this
conference that the allocation of funds granted Hamline University from the budget that high priority to the Black Studies Program and scholarships for black students be given. Motion carried.

Recommendation No. 10 - non-concurrence was approved.

Recommendation No. 11 - the non-concurrence of the committee was not approved.

135. Report of the 9th ballot for ministerial delegates to the jurisdictional conference. Wayne Ireland was elected.

136. The first ballot for ministerial reserve delegates to jurisdictional conference was cast.

137. Report of legislative committee No. 10 continued.

Recommendation No. 5 was approved.

Recommendation No. 6 was carried as amended.

138. Legislative Committee No. 11

Recommendation No. 1 - Motion to amend by deletion of the date was seconded. The motion lost. The following motion to amend was carried: Add at the beginning of the paragraph "because we judge our present military involvement in Indo-China as immoral". The recommendation carried.

Recommendation No. 2 approved.

Recommendation No. 3 approved.

Recommendation No. 4 approved.

139. Sending a letter: Motion carried that a letter be sent to the president of the United States and to the senators and representatives from the State of Minnesota on the ending of the war and the matter of economic aid.


141. Legislative Committee No. 5.

Recommendation No. 1 adopted, as amended.

Recommendation No. 2 adopted.

Recommendation No. 3 adopted.

Recommendation No. 4 adopted as amended.
Recommendation No. 5 adopted as amended.

Recommendation No. 6 adopted.

142. Afternoon business session. Motion carried to reconvene at 1:30 P.M.

Recess. Bishop Washburn led in prayer and the conference was recessed.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

144. Call to Order - The Conference was convened with prayer by A. B. Utzman.

145. Recertification

A. As Directors or Ministers of Christian Education: Harold Biederman, Constance Carothers, Joyce Haberman, Kathryn Kenyon, Betty Lee, M. Elizabeth Suiter, Dale Wordelman.

B. As Ministers and Directors of Music: Monroe Bell, Roberta Harris, Charlotte Krueger, Mrs. Wesley Kugler, Merrill B. Miller, Robert Scoggin, Pearl Shoemaker, Richard Waggoner.

C. Certification as Directors of Music for the first time: Elsie Nayler, Sheila Olson, Roger Towler

Motion carried to recertify these persons.

146. Report of Legislative Committee No. 15.

Recommendation No. 1 - Approved.

Recommendation No. 2 - Approved.

147. Report of the Special Committee on Camphor Church - The report was presented by John Espie.

Motion carried and supported to approve the report. The following amendment to the motion was passed: "To include in the goal, projections for operating budget for the next Quadrennium".

148. Legislative Committee No. 12. - The report was approved.

149. Legislative Committee No. 20. - Motion made and seconded to adopt.

a. The Conference action previously taken in regard to Conference Staff was interpreted to mean Conference Program Staff. Mathison moved and his motion was seconded to amend as follows: After Council on Ministries, add "and that the work presently done by John Espie for the Board of Trustees or by one or more of the present Program Staff members." The amendment was approved. The recommendation as amended was approved.
Recommendation No. 1 - Motion was made and supported to approve. Wayne Ireland offered a substitute motion that “we look with favor upon the request and move its careful consideration by the Section on Urban Ministries of the Board of Missions in its 1972 budget allocation”. The motion to substitute carried by a vote of 216 to 187.

The substitute motion carried.

Recommendation No. 2 - Motion made and seconded to adopt the recommendation. Richardson moved an amendment which was seconded “that no additional money be granted Calvary Church”. Motion was made by Mathison and supported to substitute for all that is before us that the Conference include $15,500 in its budget for the People's Church in 1972. The motion to substitute was carried. The motion to adopt the substitute carried.

151. Recess.

152. Report of Legislative Committee No. 16 -

Recommendation No. 1 - Motion made and seconded to adopt. The recommendation was not adopted.

Recommendation No. 2 - Motion carried to adopt.

153. Report of Legislative Committee No. 7 -

Recommendation No. 1 - Motion to adopt as amended carried.

Recommendation No. 2 - Carried as amended.

Recommendation No. 3 - Motion carried to adopt.

154. Mr. Dennis Wynne of People's Church was given an opportunity to speak to the Conference.

155. Report of Legislative Committee No. 8 -

Recommendation No. 1 - The Conference voted to approve.

Recommendation No. 2 - The Conference voted with the Committee non-concurrence.

Recommendation No. 3 - Conference voted with the committee concurrence.

Recommendation No. 4 - Voted approval

156. Report of Legislative Committee No. 1 -
Recommendation No. 1 - Adopted.

Recommendation No. 2 - Motion made and seconded to adopt. Louise Hoistad offered the following amendment: "that 4 cents per member be designated as funds for Indian work". This amount to be taken from the total proposed Program - Budget Worksheet as is the $1500 for the Twin Ports Ministry. The amendment was seconded and approved. The Recommendation was approved as amended.

157. Report of Legislative Committee No. 17 - Motion made and seconded to adopt. Amendment proposed in behalf of youth. The Youth Council proposed an amendment to the motion regarding the Conference newspaper that a portion of the newspaper be set aside to youth news and that Youth Council be responsible to supply this news. The amendment was approved. Substitute motion for all that is before us. The communications of United Methodist news and information continue to be distributed from staff communication persons through the Conference Mailing in local church papers. The motion carried to accept this substitute motion for the main motion. The substitute motion carried.

158. Fran Faber moved that this Minnesota Annual Conference go on record, first, as favoring a conference newspaper for improving communications; second, as giving the Committee on Communications permission to obtain funds from any source outside the conference budget, including subscriptions for the publication of this newspaper. The motion was seconded and carried.

159. Report of Legislative Committee No. 18 - The recommendation was accepted.

160. Report of Legislative Committee No. 19 -

Recommendation No. 1 - Adopted.

Recommendation No. 2 - Adopted.

Recommendation No. 3 - Adopted.

161. Budget for 1972: The Budget was presented by Willis Kerns. Motion carried to adopt.

**Budget Categories and Priorities**

Since Budget categories I and II in general represent that portion of the Christian Service Fund shares over which local churches have no option, and in general what the Annual Conference has no option, these items will be paid in full.

Those items in Category III-B which are deemed by the Conference Council on Ministries as warranting priority rating due to contractual obligations of an agency or board of the conference or due to Salary
Commitments or due to other considerations sufficient in the judgments of the Council on Ministries to be so considered, shall be placed on a priority list by the Council on Ministries.

All items of this section not included in the priority listing drawn by the Conference Council on Ministries shall be put on Ratio Division.

Motion made and seconded to adopt these recommendations. A motion to table the recommendations lost. Clem Peterson offered the following amendment: "I move Item II-d be considered in the pro-rata division and shall be dealt with by the World Service and Finance commission in the same way that Item III-b shall be considered by the Council on Ministries."

Purdham moved a substitute motion for all that is before us. All items in the budget except those General Conference apportionments which cannot be reduced be subject to revision if there is a deficit, and that the Conference Council on Ministries and World Service and Finance Commission be asked to develop a system of prorating. The World Service and Finance Commission, in consultation with the Council on Ministries, shall be given authority to adjust the World Service and Conference Benevolence portion of the Christian Service Fund on the basis of the acceptance by the local churches of the Conference as provided by the Discipline. The motion was seconded and carried.


Under Miscellaneous Recommendations, (page 396, 1969 Journal) - Whereas there is a lack of clarification with regard to how Mann Fund Resources will be committed for the purpose of making studies, therefore be it resolved that it is the understanding of this Annual Conference that the Board of Trustees has jurisdiction over the Mann Fund, and be it further resolved that the Council on Ministries be charged with the determination of what studies shall be funded by these resources. Motion carried to adopt.

163. Report of the Nominating Committee:

A. Election by priority - Motion carried that in the election for members to the Nominating Committee the three highest on the first ballot be members of the Committee. Elected: Ministers - Lewis F. Allin, Harold Dayton, James McChesney, Delburn Kurtz. Laymen: George Ewing, Mrs. Wegner Collins, Mrs. Blake Sower, Mrs. Wesley Mellgren.

B. The following resolution was approved:

Whereas: there has been a rule in the former Methodist Conference that no one will be elected to more than two major boards or commissions as elected by the Conference; and

Whereas: It is difficult to ascertain which Boards are major and which are minor and some minor committees entail much work; and
Whereas: there is a desire to involve more people in the work of the Conference rather than “over load” a few with too much responsibility;

Therefore: Be it resolved that no person be elected by Conference to more than two Boards, Agencies, or Committees. This would not include district election or institutions which make their own nominations, or representatives being designated to Program Council, etc.

C. Willard Allin moved that persons nominated by the Nominating Committee for the ensuing year be approved, with the understanding that necessary corrections may be made. The motion was seconded and carried.

164. Youth Delegation:

The youth delegation would like to officially thank the Minnesota Conference for giving us a voice and a seat on the Conference floor. This has been a period of great insight into the workings of the Annual Conference. It has helped us understand the problems in and the functions of the structure of our church.

We appreciate the support given the motion submitted by our Youth Council. We were especially impressed with the Ordination Service. We're grateful for the facilities afforded us by St. Olaf College, and the special attention given to us by Amil Anderson.

We were deeply impressed by the wisdom, capability, and availability of our Bishop.

We wish to thank the convention body for their patience and explanations extended to us. We look forward to more youth having voting privileges next year. Thank you!

165. Cabinet Recommendation: Russell Praetorius moved that the tenure of office of all persons serving under district elections be continued for the 1971-72 Conference year with the provision that the District Superintendent be empowered to fill all vacancies existing as of June 10, 1971. The motion was seconded and carried.

166. Consent Calendar: Motion carried to approve all the items on the Consent Calendar.

167. Committee on Journal: Carlton Forshee reported for the committee, stating that the Journal for the Thursday morning session had been examined and found correct. He moved its approval. The motion was seconded and carried.

168. Bishop Washburn commended the Conference for its patience through the week, and Charles Sweet commended the Bishop for his understanding and excellent leadership.

169. The Conference adjourned at 6:00 P.M.

170. The Conference gathered for a closing Communion Service.
ROLL CALL, JUNE 7, 1971 MINISTERS

EFFECTIVE:

Abdella, Wayne J.; Achterkirch, David B.; Adelmann, Layen R.; Allen, Ira B.; Allin, Lewis F.; Allin, Willard S.; Almquist, Earl A.; Andros, Marvin C.; Ankeny, C. Wendell; Asp, A. Lloyd; Atkinson, Frederick O.; Austin, S. Herbert; Bailey, Robert B.; Baker, James A.; Barnhart, Jerald R.; Barrett, Emery G.; Bass, Solomon A.; Bauer, Carlton E.; Barnhart, Jerald R.; Becker, Clinton O.; Beckstrom, Vinton G.; Bell, Monroe; Bell, Willard V.; Berg, Charles H.; Biederman, Harold R.; Bissell, Edwin O.; Bittenbender, Edwin L.; Blackford, John C.; Boehlke, Ray; Bosshardt, David E.; Bosshardt, Floyd E.; Bosshardt, Paul H.; Bostrom, Jay N.; Bredesen, Howard W.; Brennan, Thomas D.; Brown, Elton W.; Brudevold, Bennett G.; Budke, Ezra; Budke, Melvyn R.; Buller, Bruce W.; Burgess, David P.; Burgette, M. R.; Burnham, Charles B.; Butterfield, William T.;

Caskey, Carl C.; Caton, Paul W.; Chant, George W.; Christenson, Franklin T.; Christianson, Lyle T.; Clark, Harold A.; Clayton, James P.; Coburn, Virgil M.; Colescott, Ted G.; Collman, Richard F.; Cook, Herbert F.; Cowman, Ivan Stephen; Cox, William E.; Crabtree, Walter D.; Culver, Dwight W.; Curtis, Bernard B.; Daniels, Calvin Grant; Daniels, Lloyd J.; Davidson, T. W.; Davis, Forrest D.; Davis, K. James; Day, Donald E.; Dayton, Harold E.; Decourcy, Frank L.; Downall, Donn C.; Dreischbach, Frank; Duehn, Keith E.; Dundas, Charles O.; Dunlop, Russell S.; Dunn, Merle A.; Ecker, David R.; Eppard, Marvin B.; Engstrom, Paul H.; Erikson, Bruce R.; Fair, John Jay; Flohr, Allen W.; Foote, Edward W.; Foote, Larry G.; Ford, Robert R.; Forshee, J. Carlton, Frank, Herbert S.;


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RETIRED


ROLL CALL - TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 1971

EFFECTIVE:

Burgess, E. Clayton; Griffith, Thomas J.; Maronde, Don D.; Nagel, Clem J.; Oman, John B.; Passer, Burton A.; Schmitt, Albert S.; Selger, Donald E.; Toews, A. L.; Waggoner, Richard D.; Wilcoxon, Clair D.

RETIRED:

Lewis, Henry H.; Linden, Carl H.; Nygaard, Alvin R.; Pope, W. E.; Workman, Lee A.;

ROLL CALL - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 1971

EFFECTIVE:

Newton, J. Marshall; Sheffield, Donald S.; White, Warren.

PROBATIONERS:

Brueland, Harold; Harvey, Randall; Westby, Neil.

ASSOCIATES:

Anderson, Harvey A.

RETIRED:

A. Dean Headley.

U.C.C.

Scheerer, Richard.
ROLL CALL - THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 1971

RETIRED:

Overmire, Ray E.

EXCUSES:

IV. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
THE BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Minutes of the Minnesota Annual Conference held in Skoglund Athletic Center at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota, from Monday, June 7, 1971, through Thursday, June 10, 1971, Bishop Paul Washburn, presiding. Date when organized 1856. Number of this session: 117

PART I. ORGANIZATION AND GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Who are elected for the quadrennium: (¶ 661.6, 909)
   Secretary? Donald L. Walkes, 3855 Crystal Lake Blvd-Robbinsdale, Minnesota 55422.
   Statistician? Harold A. Clark, 110 N. Prairie, Sherburn, Minnesota 56171.
   Treasurer? Betty Jean Foster, 122 West Franklin Ave., Minneapolis, Minnesota 55404.

2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated (¶ 661.1) Yes.

3. Bonding and auditing:
   a) What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded, and in what amounts: (¶ 913, 1508) See Standing Rule III-A-5.
   b) Have the books of said officers or persons been audited? (¶ 909, 913, 1508) Yes.

4. Have the conference boards, commissions, and committees been appointed or elected?
   a) Annual Conference Program Council? Yes.
   b) Board of Christian Social Concerns? Yes.
   c) Board of Education? Yes.
   d) Board of Evangelism? Yes.
   e) Board of Health and Welfare Ministries? Yes.
   f) Board of Laity? Yes.
   g) Board of the Ministry? Yes.
   h) Board of Missions? Yes.
   i) Board of Pensions? Yes.
   j) Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference? Yes.
   k) Commission on Archives and History? Yes.
   l) Commission on Enlistment for Church Occupations? Yes.
   m) Commission on Minimum Salaries? Yes.
   n) Commission on World Service and Finance? Yes.
   o) Committee of Investigation? Yes.
   p) Committee on Publishing Interest? Yes.
   q) Conference Women's Society of Christian Service? Yes.
   r) District Boards of Church Location and Building? Yes.
   s) District Committee on the Ministry? Yes.
5. Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept their respective records upon and according to the forms prescribed by The United Methodist Church? (¶ 664.6) Yes.

6. What is the report of the statistician? (See report, page 241 of Journal.)

7. What is the report of the treasurer? (See report, page 230 of Journal.)

8. What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts? (See report, page 132 of Journal.)


10. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of the district superintendents for the ensuing year? (¶ 908) $175,584.

11. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of the pension and benefit programs of the Conference? (¶ 1380.4, 6) $603,870.

12. What are the apportionments to this conference:
   a) For the World Service Fund? $375,325.
   b) For the Episcopal Fund? $46,220.
   c) For the General Administration Fund? $24,102.
   d) For the Interdenominational Co-operation Fund? $11,909.
   e) For the Temporary General Aid Fund? $13,654.
   g) For the maintenance of our institutions of higher learning? $193,300.


14. What are the reports, recommendations and plans of the conference agencies:
   a) What is the report of the Board of Pensions? (¶ 1380) See report.
   b) What is the report of the Board of Mission of disbursements of missionary aid within the conference? (¶ 1366) See report.
   c) What is the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance? (¶ 898,918) See report.
   d) What is the report of the Commission on Enlistment for Church Occupations? (666) See report.
   e) What are the other reports? See Section VI.

15. What United Methodist institutions or organizations are approved by the conference for pension responsibility? (¶ 1379.4g) None.

16. What date is determined for Golden Cross Enrollment Sunday? (¶ 1178) First Sunday in May.
17. Conference lay leader (¶ 1250)
   a) Name: Wally Green, 4627 Chatelain Terrace, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55427.
   b) What is his report? See Report of The Board of The Laity.
   c) Who are district and associate district lay leaders? (¶ 1264) See Section II.

18. What local churches have been:
   b) Merged (¶1547-48:
      1). United Methodist with United Methodist
      Name of 1st church    Name of 2nd church    Name of merged church
      Blooming Ferry        Normandale Hylands     Normandale Hylands
   c) Discontinued or abandoned? (¶130,351.2,1550) Minnesota Lake.
   d) Relocated and to what address?...Arlington Hills, 759 E. County Rd. B.,
      St. Paul 55117; Ada, 510 West Thorpe Ave. 56510; Alexandria, 6th Ave. East
      53608; Fergus Falls-Grace, 1100 Friberg 56537.
   g) What other changes have taken place in the list of churches? See report of Conference statistician and list of appointments.

PART II. PERTAINING TO MINISTERIAL RELATIONS

20. Are all the ministerial members of the conference blameless in their life and official administration? Yes.

21. Who constitute the Conference Committee on Investigation? (¶1740.1) I.
   S. Cowman, Keith Duehn, Winfield Haycock, Ernest Lowe, Calvin Peterson,
   alternates: Frank DeCourcy, Carlton Forshee, Dwight Haberman, Omer
   Leske, James McChesney.

22. Who are eligible to be appointed as:
   a) Full-time lay pastors? (¶348.1) and what progress has each made in the
      course of study? George E. Beck, second year; J. Ronald Galer, completed,
      elder; Leo C. Hagmann, completed, elder; James E. Jameson, first year;
      Gordon D. Johnson, completed; John W. White, completed, elder.
   b) Part-time lay pastors? (¶348.2) and what progress has each made in the
      course of study? James M. Alexander, completed, elder; Myles K. Kiese,
      second year; Richard R. Reahard, first year; Elmer Suderman, first year.
   c) Student lay pastors? (¶348.3) and in what schools are they enrolled?
      Gordon H. Langmade, St. Paul School of Theology; Gerrit
      Molenaar, Mankato State College; William Thornton, United Theological
      Seminary; Louis Miller, United Theological Seminary.

23. What lay pastors are granted pension credit on account of approved full-
    time service during the past year? (¶1379.3b) George Beck, J. Ronald Galer,
    Leo C. Hagmann, James Jameson, Gordon Johnson, Gordon Langmade,
    Wesley Pope, and John W. White.

24. What preachers, coming from other Christian churches, have had their
    orders recognized?
    a) As deacons? None.
    b) As elders? Calvin Hanson, UCC.

25. Who have been admitted from other Christian churches? (¶375-375.3)
    a) As Probationary Members? Calvin Hanson.
26. Who have been admitted as Associate Members? (¶323) Warren T. White.

27. Who are admitted as Probationary Members?

28. Who are continued as Probationary Members and what progress have they made in their ministerial studies? (329)
   a) As students in approved schools of theology? David Dutcher, 2nd yr; Ronald Nicholas, 2nd yr; Gregory Renstrom, 2nd yr; Gene Rick, 2nd yr; Duane Sarazin, 2nd yr; Jack Smith, 2nd yr; Alcyd Soderfelt, 2nd yr; Grant Tanner, 2nd yr.

29. Who are discontinued as Probationary Members? John Simonds.


31. Who have been elected deacons: (¶312)
   a) Lay pastors received into Associate Membership? (¶312.1) Warren T. White.


33. Who have been elected elders: (¶314)

34. Who have been ordained elders? Robert Dunn, Richard Ireland, Douglas Nicholas, Dale Sanders.

36. Who are readmitted? (¶367)
   a) As Members in Full Connection? E. Taylor Hare, H. Thomas Payne.

38. Who have been received by transfer?
   Jerald Barnhart—Elder—South Dakota—Nov. 1, 1970
   Larry David Gilmore—Elder—Iowa—June 9, 1971
   Russell A. Huffman—Elder—North Dakota—July 1, 1971
   Alan Smiley—Deacon P.M.—Central Pa.—June 9, 1971

39. Who have been transferred out?
   Jerry D. McInnes—Elder—Nebraska—June 1, 1971
   Morris J. Morgan—Elder—North Indiana—May 24, 1971
40. Who have had their conference membership terminated:
   a) By voluntary location? (¶366) James Truax, Gerald Young.

41. Deceased
   c) What Members in Full Connection have died during the year?

Retired:

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42. Who are the supernumerary ministers and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? (¶358) E. A. Schoppert (15).


44. What actions have been taken concerning disabled ministers and lay pastors?
   c) Who are granted disability leave at this session? Merlin Burgette, LeRoy Roesti.

45. What members in Full Connection have been retired?
   a) This year? Arthur Goold, E. Taylor Hare, C. Dean Headly, Edward Martin, Wilfred Plummer, Roy Thompson, Delbert S. Tryon, Stanley Williams.
47. What lay pastors have been retired:
   a) This year? Wesley Pope.

48. Who are appointed to attend school? († 352.7)
   b) Probationary Member? David Dutcher, Wesley; Randall Harvey, St. Paul; Ronald Nicholas, St. Paul; Gregory Renstrom, St. Andrews; Gene Rick, ETS; Duane Sarazin, ETS; Jack Smith, St. Paul; Grant Tanner, St. Paul; Stephen Boehlke, Princeton; Daniel Hair, Asbury; John A. Harris, Yale; James W. Haun, Perkins; James A. Horn, Garrett; Mary Kraus, Boston; Loren Nelson, Iliff; Charles Ramberg, Perkins; Allan Vrieze, Chandler; Neil Westby, UTS-Dayton; Curtis Wilbur, MethSo-Ohio; Robert Zeimes, UTS-Minn.
   c) Members in Full Connection? Russell L. Kleinback, Boston University; Howard Mueller, Garrett Theological Seminary; Robert Pfeil, University of South Dakota; Earl E. Stephan, University of Iowa; Thorne Wittstruck, Yale University.

49. What is the number of:
   Pastoral Charges? 315; Readmitted? 2; Lay pastors? 13; Discontinued? 0; Received as Associate Members? 1; Withdrawn? 1; Received as Probationary Members? 14; Expelled? 0; Received into Full Connection? 11; Located? 2; Transferred In? 4; Decensed? 5; Transferred Out? 4; Retired made effective? 0; Received from other evangelical churches? 1.

50. What is the number of ministers?

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PART III. CONCLUDING BUSINESS

52. Where shall the next Conference Session be held? . . . Referred to the Conference Sessions Committee.

53. What changes have been made in appointments since last Annual Conference Session? . . . See Report of Statistician.

54. Where are the preachers stationed for the ensuing year? . . . See list of appointments, Section V.
CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION

This is to certify that at 8:00 p.m. on the ninth day of June, 1971, at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota, I ordained

Stephen Boehlke, Daniel Hair, James Horn, Mary Kraus,
Loren Nelson, Lynn Pries, Charles Ramberg, Neil Westby,
Warren White, Curtis Wilbur, Robert Zelmes
Deacons in the United Methodist Church.

At the same time and place, assisted by the District Superintendents and other elders, I ordained

Robert Dunn, Richard Ireland, Douglas Nicholas, Dale Sanders
Elders in the United Methodist Church.

And at 7:30 p.m. on the fourteenth day of June, in the Blue Earth First Church, I ordained

Wendell Ankeny
Elder in the United Methodist Church.

Also to be ordained Elders in the United Methodist Church

William Rowan at 10:45 a.m. September nineteenth in Fairmont,
Kenneth Stewart at 4:00 p.m. September nineteenth in Columbia Heights,
Mark Garrison at 8:00 p.m. October seventeenth in Central Park Church, St. Paul.

Paul Washburn, Bishop
Minnesota Area
The United Methodist Church
V CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

PASTORS EMERITUS

Every minister holding the retired relation in the conference is esteemed for age or long service, or in disability, and by the charges he has served is revered and supported as a pastor emeritus. (Figures after name indicate year retired.)

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## CENTRAL DISTRICT

Clarence R. Nicholas, Superintendent (2)
424 Golf Terrace, Litchfield 55355

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(LP) Lay Pastor
(RS) Minnesota Conference member in retired relationship serving a church.
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639 Jackson Street, St. Paul 55101

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   Mark Garrison

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EPISCOPAL MESSAGE

IN HIS NAME SERVE

what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus sake.

II Corinthians 4:5
Revised Standard Version

Grace and Peace

I speak this, my third episcopal message to United Methodists in Minnesota, asking for grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Other Two

In 1969 I said we are in covenant with God and with one another, held individually, held collectively in God's steadfast love, obligated to be ministers; many as laymen, some as pastors and teachers and one as overseer of the spiritual and temporal affairs of the church. It is clear to us, I trust, that we are not free to forsake our places in these covenants without the consent of those with whom we are held in contract.

In 1970 I said we are called to freedom in Christ. "For freedom Christ has set us free", but we know that we are not fully free as long as there are those who are in bondage. Therefore we are called to assist others, individuals and communities, to freedom in Christ. "Let my people go" is the ceaseless demand of the one who "for freedom has set us free."

This evening I lift a third indicator of how we should understand ourselves. People and congregations in covenant, to be sure! Free in Christ and seeking freedom for others, to be sure! But more! We ought to be able to say with St. Paul,

...what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus sake.

That's what I want us to ponder tonight. I think God wants us to ponder it and the human family will rejoice at any evidence in us that we identify ourselves as servants for Jesus sake.

Our Lord did not hesitate to act as a servant. The evidence is in the thirteenth chapter of the Gospel according to St. John. Listen!

Jesus rose from supper, laid his garments aside, and girded himself with a towel. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which he was girded.
He came to Simon Peter; and Peter said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" Jesus answered him "What I am doing you do not know now, but afterward you will understand." Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part in me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "He who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but he is clean all over; and you are clean, but not all of you."

When he had washed their feet, and taken his garments, and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord; and you are right, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

Our Lord was a servant.

**Philippians 2:1-11**

St. Paul understood our Lord to be a servant. In his Epistle to the Philippians he included this understanding in one of his eloquent descriptions of Christ. Wrote he,

Christ Jesus... though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The words of St. Paul leading into this description are equally important. They exhort Christians to walk in Christ's servant way. Listen!

...if there is any encouragement in Christ, any incentive of love, any participation in the spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfishness or conceit, but in humility count
others better than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which you have in Christ Jesus, who emptied himself, taking the form of a servant.

II Corinthians 10:5

You see, St. Paul did much more than understand our Lord's servanthood. By something far more than a simple moralistic attempt to imitate Jesus... probably out of deep gratitude for his own washing in the love of Christ... but more probably out of his increasing awareness that nothing could separate him from that love, he claimed the servant role for himself. He said,

what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus sake.

This text in the original Greek reads,

...ourselves your slaves (dō̔ulos) for Jesus sake.

But of the many translations I have in my library, all, save one, translate this text as

...ourselves your servants (dī̔akonos) for Jesus sake.

This is, indeed, an interesting and significant switch. You see, the word slave (dō̔ulos) emphasizes status. The slave is one owned by an important person. The slave carries out important orders issued by important people. But the word servant (dī̔akonos) emphasizes something else; not status but ministry. It has to do not with position but with performance. It has to do not with respectability but with responsibility. It has to do not with honor but with helpfulness. It is oriented to ministry... ministry that is relevant... ministry that is practical... ministry that is specific. With ministry in mind then, let us study Jesus during his foot washing servanthood.

He responded to a specific need. The disciples' feet were dusty, itching. They had been on the road. Jesus simply washed their feet. In so doing he responded to their need for clean feet and also for identity. He met specific needs. He used what was at hand on their needs. Taking a basin, water, a towel, his own hands, his own personhood, all immediately available, he used them to serve his weary friends.

He served them promptly. They had just come off the road. Their need was immediate so Jesus, the host at the table, responded immediately. There was no delay. He served them promptly.

There's the model - instructing us, coming from the one who helps us to be as servants for Jesus sake!
Dimensions of Servanthood

Servanthood for Jesus sake is pluriform, having dimensions which may seem at first to be contradictory. They are at the very least paradoxical. Servanthood may be either corporate or personal.

Several weeks ago a devastating tidal wave swept up the Bay of Bengal. Thousands upon thousands of Pakistanis were drowned and millions were left destitute. United Methodists through gifts to the United Methodist Committee on Overseas Relief airlifted an entire hospital into East Pakistan to care for some of the people. The hospital is little enough but it is something. It is corporate servanthood.

In a third story flat on Diversey Parkway in Chicago, reached only by a rickety old back stairway lived a paralyzed and elderly woman. Another elderly and arthritic woman from the Parish of the Holy Covenant climbed those stairs three times a day carrying hot meals, helping the crippled woman out of and into bed, caring for her every need. That is personal servanthood.

Servanthood may be expressed either faith-to-faith or faith-to-unfaith.

Our Camphor congregation is our last stand in the Dale-Selby area of our capital city. We have a faithful company of people there and a faithful pastor. They are convinced that they should stay in that neighborhood and stay to meet the real needs of the immediate neighborhood - needs for medical services, needs for legal counsel, needs for community organization, needs for child care, needs for Christ.

It is true there are two other black churches in the neighborhood but in some very significant ways those congregations are not really in the neighborhood. Their style of ministry is very far from what we United Methodists expect of ourselves as servants of whole persons and of whole communities.

Camphor Church needs a new building, has needed it for a long time. That new building must be multipurpose and totally functional; designed for seven-day-a-week use. But Camphor Church can neither build the building nor sustain an adequate ministry in that area without our help. They must not be violated by our domination of them but they need our help.

If we United Methodists in Minnesota can serve Camphor Church in terms of their needs, we will be expressing faith-to-faith servanthood.

The largest Indian Reservation in Minnesota centers around Franklin Avenue in Minneapolis. Within that area some low cost housing is to be built with federal assistance. A group, predominantly Indian in makeup, has been awarded the contract for the South High Housing Project but needs money for the development of the sponsoring group. Our people are participating in this by granting just $1,000 out of The Fund for Reconciliation.

That's faith-to-unfaith servanthood.

Servanthood may be oriented either to relief or to reform. It is possible either
to put a warm coat over on old man’s cold body or to work for the reform of civil rights legislation, and to do either or both for Jesus’ sake. Within Christ’s Church it is not necessary for relief oriented servants to malign reform oriented servants or for reform oriented servants to shout “band aid” at Christians whose talents allow them to do no more than offer a cup of cold water in Christ’s name. The Christians who neither serve nor desire to serve in either way have my pity, but servanthood can go either way or both ways, toward relief or toward reform - and in Christ’s name.

Servanthood may be either sophisticated or menial. When a wealthy man gives a library to a college providing a throbbing intellectual center for a student body, that’s sophisticated servanthood. Or, when young adults who have been all the way through the drug culture come out on the other side of it dedicated to helping others avoid a hapless journey through that nightmarish way that’s sophisticated servanthood. But when a person kneels to tie a child’s shoestring or stands tall to clean up after the bed pan that wasn’t there that’s menial servanthood. These, too, sophistication and meniality are dimensions of servanthood.

So servanthood may be personal or corporate. It may be faith-to-faith or faith-to-unfaith. It may be toward relief or toward reform. It may be sophisticated or menial. But to be the kind of servanthood God requires it must be “for Jesus’ sake.” That is its chief dimension.

Barriers to Servanthood

There are three overworn and outmoded understandings of churchmanship which stand as barriers in the way of our knowing ourselves

... as servants for Jesus sake.

The first of these barriers is our notion that the church exists primarily for those who are members of it. This notion has come to me in two ways of late:

A woman wrote asking me to move her pastor. “He”, she said, “doesn’t feed me spiritually. Therefore he must go.” I don’t know the woman but I think I recognize her idea of the church. For her it is a kind of restaurant where on a weekly basis she can have her spiritual hungers satisfied. If, however, she knew the church as God’s people using divine resources, resources which must be expended in order to be received, she wouldn’t think of allowing her pastor, no matter how poor he was, to stand in the way of her being a

... servant for Jesus sake.

The president of a school of theology said to me a fortnight ago, “Most of the people who crowded worship services and joined churches for status reasons after World War II have left the churches. They have left because they have discovered that the status they receive at church, the status as servants for Jesus sake, just isn’t marketable in the markets where they choose to buy and sell status.

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To be sure, self-centered churchmanship blocks our saying that we are servants for Jesus sake.

The second of these barriers to servanthood is our notion that the church must succeed. To be sure the church must have objectives, goals, plans for action, evaluations, prioritizing, but not to the degree that these mechanisms block voluntary servanthood rising out of compassion.

Do you suppose the priest who neglected the brutalized man along the road to Jericho was on his way to read scriptures for the largest congregation in the area? And do you suppose the Levite who passed by on the other side had just one more call to make in order to reach his daily quota for collections?

Hear me! It is not the first business of the church to succeed. The church's first duty is to be faithful in ministry, in short, to own its role as servants for Jesus sake.

The third of these barriers to servanthood is our notion that as Christians we have become all we can become, we've done all we can do, we've given all we can give. This is the "it is finished" attitude, the antisacritification attitude, toward churchmanship. Some of our people no longer expect to grow in grace, and some of them no longer expect to do great exploits they have never done before under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. This is especially apparent when we talk about church finances.

I have been listening to comments about church finances. Three different messages come through.

Some are saying, "Because we don't approve of some specific ministries our church performs we won't support any ministries." Because we disapprove, for instance, of the 7 cents per member dedicated to The National Council of Churches we refuse to participate in providing the $80 per member - a sum ministering in thousands of ways to millions in Minnesota and in more than 50 countries around the world.

One United Methodist layman at St. Charles, Illinois, a Mark Thackaberry, said to his fellow members:

Last Sunday, 19 members from our church went to Chicago and visited Christian Fellowship and Armitage Avenue U. M. Churches. Christian Fellowship has three worship services on Sunday: English for American born Japanese, Japanese for those born in Japan, and Spanish language services. The two pastors spend 120 hours per week in ministry. They have youth groups, choirs, Sunday School (a unique item in inner-city churches,) adult fellowship, A Drum and Bugle Corps with no place else to go uses the
buildings; on Monday and Friday, Project PushUp; Thursday, English classes are attended by Spanish, Japanese, Chinese and Hindu; Friday is both Girl and Boy Scouts; Saturday, creative art classes for Asian Americans 13 and younger.

Armitage Avenue holds regular worship services, has none of the church related groups we know. The building houses a free medical clinic staffed by medical students from Northwestern. They have a breakfast program and provide counseling service to people of the area. It strives to reach the people in any way it can with its almost non-existent resources. It is used by 50, 70, 100 people daily, all day and into the night. Those who have never visited a tired old slum church building in a run-down, depressed, multi-racial ghetto can't even visualize how drab, dingy and forlorn a house of God can be!

When I realize that some United Methodists withhold pledges because a tiny percentage of benevolence money goes to institutions such as these I describe, because they hate the unfortunates to whom these churches minister when I realize that these withheld benevolences cause missionaries to go unpaid, campus ministry to give up, orphanages and retirement homes to curtail activities, seminaries to close, I just can't understand it.

Others are saying, "Congregational and Conference budgets are like loaves of bread - loaves which cannot be enlarged. Therefore they can be and must be cut differently." The line is "shift priorities." The following facts, however, may instruct us before we wield the knife.

Our Minnesota Area stood first in the nation with about ten other episcopal areas in paying 1970 World Service askings in full. I rejoice in this because World Service dollars are the bread of our church's mission.

Our Minnesota Area stood sixth in the nation in 1970 in per capita giving to Advance Specials. I rejoice in this also, for these, too, are the bread of our church's mission at state and national levels.

Putting these factors together it may seem that we are depriving ourselves at some points in order to do more for others. Surely, if we know to what we are called, we will wrestle long and hard before we agree to the reversal of this direction.

Still others are saying, "We have just discovered new life in Christ, learning that all we are and have belongs to him. We now know that nothing about us, our public relationships, our families, our souls and bodies, our possessions have full meaning apart from commitment to Christ. All is Christ's!"
Many of our congregations in Minnesota have found genuine spiritual power not only at the mourner's bench but at the offering plate. In fact the bench and the plate are never far apart in the life of truly committed Christians and congregations. Some of the churches now happily engaged in ministry, even at higher costs, are:

Albert Lea, First
Aldersgate in Minneapolis
Austin, First
Centenary in Mankato
Danube and Middle Creek
Epworth in St. Paul
Fairmount Avenue in St. Paul
Fergus Falls, Grace
Fergus Falls, Peace
Fridley
Long Prairie

The notion that the church exists primarily for its members, the notion that the church must succeed and the notion that churchmen have become all they can become, done all they can do, given all they can give, are formidable barriers to servanthood in Christ's name. Some of our people are caught behind these barriers. They are like stagnant waters caught behind a dam when the waters have receded, but the future which God is giving to his church is not with the caught ones. The power of the gospel to save humanity is not with them. It is with those who by the help of the Holy Spirit have broken through these barriers and have found themselves identifiable

... as servants for Jesus sake.

Opportunities to Serve in His Name

The Christian or the congregation wanting to serve in Christ's name can begin immediately and such service must be addressed to contemporary needs... not to yesterday's needs... not even to tomorrow's needs. Few preachers now need a sack of oats for the feeding of a horse and few parishioners have any need now for immunization against germs carried on the surface of the moon. Present needs of persons and communities call now.

The simple needs of people for clean air, pure water, food, shelter, for knowledge, emotional stability, happy homes, just communities; for forgiveness, faith, love, joy, all wait for help from persons sharing Christ's compassion.

The suffering of people under population explosion, poverty, polution, racism, war, wait for private and public servants who care about the saving of humanity.
But the simple needs of people and the suffering of people cannot be dealt with apart from doing something about the sins of the people. Souls and systems, characterized by immorality, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, anger, selfishness, dissension, party spirit, envy, drunkenness, carousing and the like still need persons to come to them as servants for Jesus sake.

Yes, the Christian or the congregation wanting to serve mankind in Christ's name can begin immediately, but how? First, by identifying a specific need. Second, by using what is at hand to meet that need, and third, by getting at it promptly. To be sure, that's radical Christianity. It is Christ's kind of Christianity and it is possible because it does not demand perfection. It demands only performance within plausible and possible limits.

Perhaps just a few questions will lead to awareness of the servanthood to which we are called:

Has some person tempted beyond endurance or being unjustly treated known our support?

Have our state and federal legislators had the benefit of our judgments on issues about which they have had to make decisions affecting the commonwealth?

Have we done anything, even picked up an empty can or a tumbling newspaper, in order to protect the whole creation?

Sir James Jeans said, "If a baby drops his rattle he will start reverberations that will continue until they reach the outermost star."

How have we responded to youthful interest in and searching for Jesus?

What is our compassion quotient when we hear of persons pleading for deliverance from drug addiction?

What are our most inward, perhaps unspoken, convictions when we hear of children starving in East Pakistan or Chicago?

How do we answer humanity's pleading for deliverance?

Does the following quotation speak of us?

Our impulse to mission and unity comes from the gospel we proclaim. Our God is a self-giving God, who comes to us in His Son Jesus Christ. This man, who gave himself freely and fully to us, continually makes accessible to us the grace and peace of a living and loving God. All His gifts come through His Spirit, who is doing new things among us through His liberating, surprising power.
These gifts are often clearly seen and appropriated in our day-by-day associations within congregation and community. Many of the channels and tokens of God's self-giving are unnoticed and readily overlooked; acts of quiet neighborliness; the simple integrity and honesty of people in their dealings with one another; personal and public prayers of praise and intercession; the singing of psalms and hymns; the giving and spending of money; the celebration of festivals and sacraments; voluntary participation in public affairs; dependability in secular vocations; courageous efforts to secure justice and peace in national life.

pp. 9-10 “The Consultation on Church Union”

It is in meanings like these that we may claim our identity as servants for Jesus' sake.

Conclusion

Let us end at the very heart of the matter. The servanthood to which we are called is only in the fifth place for our sake. It is in the fourth place for the church's sake. It is in the third place for the world's sake. It is in the second place for the whole creation's sake. But it is in the first place for Jesus' sake. What does that “for Jesus sake” mean?

It means that our servanthood is because of Jesus Christ. We serve because he first served us. Inward spiritual experience of his acting to meet our needs releases us to act to meet the needs of others. How then do some say that evangelism is no longer relevant? It is of primary importance if increasing numbers of persons are to become free to serve. Our servanthood is because of Jesus Christ.

“For Jesus sake” means that our servanthood is for the purposes of Jesus Christ. The ends which we seek through servanthood are not of our choosing. They are of his choosing. Inward conviction about His coming kingdom is needed if we are to seek proper ends. How then do some say that prophets are no longer needed? They are the spokesmen of the kingdom to our generation and we had better hear them. Our servanthood is for the purposes of Jesus Christ.

Finally, “for Jesus sake” means that our servanthood is in behalf of Jesus Christ. Once he took our place. He lived, died and rose again on our behalf. Now we are to live in his behalf - literally “for him.” How then do some say that prayer is no longer important? It is from communion with him that we learn to live for him. Our servanthood is in behalf of Jesus Christ.

Our servanthood is for Jesus' sake. Nothing short of that will open to us the privilege of knowing ourselves as servants.

- Paul Washburn
ORDINATION SERMON

EQUIPPING THE SAINTS

His gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, for the equipment of the saints, for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.

Ephesians 4:11-13
Revised Standard Version

Ordination sermons can redirect ministers. Two months ago one brother wrote saying that he had decided to leave his pastoral role. He went on to say that the factor that had finalized his decision was the re-reading of last year's ordination sermon and he referred me to the exact paragraph. I wonder if you would like to hear that paragraph? Here it is:

Now, many - sometimes I think far too many - ordained persons are either seeking ways out of ordination or wishing they could find ways out. They numbered in the thousands in 1969 and can be thought of, I believe, as the new dispersion of ministers into nonchurch arenas which cry unwittingly for the presence of persons who carry the Living Word. It is necessary, at the very least, to ponder whether or not God is leading some persons out of ordination in order to lead them into more faithful and effective servant roles.

That paragraph served to redirect at least one life and only time will prove whether or not the redirection was gain for the kingdom. But this isolated incident causes me to evaluate with even greater care what I will say tonight under the theme “Equipping The Saints.”

This is hardly a novel theme. Within “A Plan of Union” of The Consultation on Church Union where the ministry of Presbyters (or Elders, as we know them) is described, there is the following line,

“Presbyters are leaders of the parishes and congregations in helping to equip and renew God’s people for mission in the community... the nation, and the world.”

p. 47 “A Plan of Union”

Within The Book of Discipline the very first sentence on the duties of a pastor reads as follows:

“A pastor is responsible for ministering to the needs of the whole community as well as to the needs of the people of his charge, equipping them to fulfill their ministry to each other and to the world to which they are sent as servants under the Lordship of Christ.”

Par. 350 The Book of Discipline
And within St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians:

"... His gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, for the equipment of the saints, for the work of ministry."

In subsequent verses St. Paul uses three metaphors to say why Christians need to be equipped.

He thinks Christians should not be like children - unsettled, flighty, temperamental, irresolute, frivolous, moody, but possessing "... mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ."

He thinks Christians should not be like wallowing ships "... which bob up and down on the waves and veer every way ... first this way and then that ... with every gust of wind that blows," but steady, persistent, pressing toward the shores chosen before the voyage.

He thinks Christians should not be like gamblers hanging over the edge of a gambling table trusting their fortunes and their fellowship to each sleight-of-hand of the man who handles the gambling device.

The apostle envisioned the church as being much more than that and he thought he knew what kinds of men would make the difference. Apostles - those who witness to the risen Christ contribute to the equipping of the saints. Prophets - those who announce what God is doing contribute to the equipping. Evangelists - those who carry faith to those who have no faith - contribute to the equipment. Pastors - those who care for the people contribute; teachers - those who nurture the people, equip the saints.

There is room for almost any slant in ministry. What's your slant? Are you slanted toward apostolicity, toward prophecy, toward evangelism, toward pastoral life, toward teaching? Whatever your slant, it is my understanding that part of your task is the equipment of the saints.

Now those of you seeking elder's orders here tonight have been graduated from college and from theological school and you've had at least one year under appointment but I would like to ask three questions about your ability to equip the saints - the persons who will be entrusted to your care.

Do you know how to help a human being to freedom in Christ? That is essential equipment. I am not asking, now, about your theological understanding of conversion and sanctification even though we might discuss that with profit. One of the biggest theological questions of our time in the ecumenical arena now is "What do we mean by conversion?" and I hope the question really interests us because it is coming front and center on the world scene.

I am not asking, now, about your ability to teach a confirmation class and your ability to conduct a confirmation service.
I am asking about your ability and mind to help a person to freedom in Christ.

Do you know how to help a human being repent? That's part of the way to such freedom for repentance is primarily a matter of helping a person face his true condition with candor - to see what his condition is doing to himself, to his family, to his community and to God and to be heartily sorry for that which is amiss in what he sees. Oh, I know this is not very popular now - many parishioners say confessions with tongue in cheek - we all do that - but it is necessary for a sinner to repent. But that's only part of it.

Do you know how to help a human being find acceptance in Christ's love? You can help him to read about this leap of faith in Tillich's sermon or in the New Testament. Do you know Tillich's matchless lines:

Do you know what it is to be struck by grace?

It strikes us when we walk through the dark valley of a meaningless and empty life. It strikes us when we feel our separation is deeper than usual, because we have violated another life, a life which we loved, or from which we were estranged. It strikes us when our disgust for our own being, our indifference, our weakness, our hostility, and our lack of direction and composure have become intolerable to us. It strikes us, when, year after year, the longed-for perfection of life does not appear, when the old compulsions reign within us as they have for decades, when despair destroys all joy and courage. Sometimes at that moment a wave of light breaks into our darkness and it is as though a voice were saying 'You are accepted, you are accepted by that which is greater than you, and the name of which you do not know. Do not ask for the name now; perhaps you will find it later. Do not try to do anything now; perhaps later you will do much. Do not seek for anything; do not perform anything. Do not intend anything. Simply accept the fact that you are accepted.'

pp. 161-162 *The Shaking of The Foundations*

The scriptures are even more powerful in conveying Christ's acceptance to men in portions like the fifteenth chapter of St. Luke, and many do accept Christ's acceptance of them while reading the scriptures but I tell you it helps mightily to have a pastor who is a transmitter of that same acceptance.

It is still exceedingly important to help persons through repentance and faith to freedom in Christ.

Do you know how to help the saints celebrate their freedom in Christ? Isn't it passing strange that just when we're really finding out what worship is our people have taken to singing 'I Cannot Come.'

I cannot come, I cannot come to the banquet, don't trouble me now.
I have married a wife, I have bought me a cow.
I have fields and commitments that cost a pretty sum. Pray, hold me excused, I cannot come. From "The Wedding Banquet"

and while many people are singing "I Cannot Come" the under thirty crowd is singing:

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess, within the veil,
A life of joy and peace.

What's going on here? I'll tell you what's going on. Many, many people are taking freedom in Christ seriously and they are celebrating that freedom lavishly. The lost chord has been found and those who hear it are striking up the band. The Halleluiah Chorus is loose in the world and the Doxology is being sung triple forte like it is supposed to be sung.

Some pastors experimenting with worship wrote that worship is participative:

Worship is an action in which people take part. It is not something observed or attended but is something done. Worship may be thought of as a drama where members of the congregation are actors and the minister and others are the prompters. To encourage participation, the active verb form may be used to identify the various parts ("Confessing our sin"), the minister's performance role minimized, corporate prayer and other corporate speaking parts maximized and phrased to express the real feelings of the congregation.

They insisted that it is also celebrative:

Worship is a festal occasion, a time of joy and conviviality, it is not solemn. (Private meditation is something other than corporate worship and will, of course, have entirely different
Worship is celebration, because it expresses joy in what the Spirit has done and is doing in the world, and because the last words of history are new life and victory. Christians, therefore, do not live out their lives in morbid dramatization of that somber sabbath before Easter; Christ has set us free for faith, hope, and love.

And they insisted that it is real:

Worship is basically upbeat, positive, and it is authentic only when the members of the congregation are involved in the painful, ongoing struggles for wholeness, self-renewal, truth, social justice and human dignity, that characterized Jesus. The church that avoids the prophetic ministry, that refuses to become vulnerable in order to minister to the world's brokenness, is going through a charade which renders its celebration shallow and trite. Celebration is real not when Christians have managed to avoid the pain and dirt of life, but whenever in the face of defeat and failure in their secular ministries they can proclaim that Christ is in charge of history.

That has to do with equipping the saints.

Do you know how to help the saints serve others in Christ's name? Dr. E. N. Humen was one of the finest men I ever knew. He could lead a group of campers through a woodland and identify every tree, every blade of grass. He was a botanist and that was his business.

We are pastors. What's our business? Well in part our business is to help the saints to serve others. Can we help the saints identify poverty, sorrow, crises, and teach them what to do when they see these conditions? Can we help them to identify hate, injustice and oppression and teach them what to do when they meet such circumstances?

I have a wonderful memory of how four persons learned to serve in Christ's name. All of them retired early in the same year and went forth as missionaries to live off their pensions. One woman, a high school principal, went to Japan to teach English. Another woman, a college dean, went to Cairo to teach English in a Presbyterian college. The man and his wife went to Bangkok to build a college and to build a water and sewer system for that vast city. One of the women has retired again. The second only is now at Wausach Academy in Utah and the man and his wife are still in Bangkok after eight years still trying to build a water system for the city. If we can help people to serve that way we will be . . .

I have asked three questions: Do you know how to help persons to freedom in Christ? Do you know how to help persons celebrate their freedom in Christ? Do you know how to help persons serve in Christ's name? If we can help to equip saints thus our ministry will be rich indeed. God bless you in it.
VI REPORTS OF THE CONFERENCE

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

In writing any kind of a report, there is always the problem of knowing what to include, what to omit, and how to avoid detailing the obvious. There are two things I want to mention about the nature of this year's report. One is that this is a kind of composite report of all the superintendents. While one has assembled the material, each of the others has contributed in providing material to be included. The second item of interpretation is that we have tried to illustrate how we as superintendents have responded to the suggestions made by the Willson Associate Management Studies of a year ago. Beyond these two things we have listed some general impressions and some recommendations.

The Willson Study recommended that seventy per cent of the superintendent's time should center around three priorities:

1) To "supervise" or "guide" the work of pastors on his district and counsel with them concerning their pastoral responsibilities.

2) To appraise the needs and opportunities of churches within his district; to evaluate fields of labor; and within an ecumenically responsible perspective to initiate new forms of ministry, mergers, yoked fields, and long-range planning, and the establishing and closing of churches.

3) To counsel with pastors and Pastor-Parish Relations committees concerning assignments and to consult with the bishop regarding the appointment of persons approved by the Board of the Ministry.

I - The Three Priorities of the Superintendent's Time

The Rev. H. Thomas Walker writes concerning our response to these priorities.

On point one, he says:

"In general, the superintendents seek to use this approach realizing that it is a delicate matter to guide without being directive. It is equally delicate to help a man accept accountability for the effectiveness of his ministry without his feeling stifled for what he may consider needlessly accounting and endless reporting. Much of the work of 'guiding' is done in informal settings at coffee or perhaps over lunch, rather than an impersonal directive from 'headquarters.' One difficulty is that many of those who reject the idea of a superintendent being a supervisor are the very ones who ask him to impose his authority on persons to compel them to accomplish certain tasks."

On point two, he says:

"Where lengthy, involved reports of last year's activities consumed much of the time in years past, now the general pattern for Charge Conferences is to ask the local church to describe, define and project its own future ministry with reference to its peculiar needs. Whatever the particular style, the cabinet has taken seriously its obligation to help the local church define and mobilize itself for responding to the particular needs of its area."

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On point three, he responds:

"In general the feeling of the cabinet is that it is advantageous to act on this recommendation of the Willson Report. Here the obvious task is to build relationships and to help local committees recognize their special roles, as well as suggest possible approaches to respond to the needs of the pastor and church. The report urges the cabinet to give seventy per cent of its time to the above areas of concern. This would seem to indicate that it is the task of each superintendent to be in local churches seventy per cent of the time. However, this would be a misreading of the report. Much of the necessary analysis of a certain local situation can well take place in the superintendent's office. A part of the work with committees on Pastor-Parish Relations may take place at meetings of the cabinet. It is the conscientious conviction of the cabinet that the very least each superintendent can do is to give seventy per cent of his time to the above matters."

The Rev. Willard Allin comments on the same theme in the following manner:

"The fact that Mr. Peterson listened carefully both to the superintendents then serving and to ministers and lay people before subjecting the whole to rigorous analysis has made his findings both credible and acceptable to those who must seek help to implement them.

Each superintendent had, and undoubtedly still has, his own style of leadership which determines the way in which he applies himself to the three basic priorities relative to the local church. Each district also has its own particular characteristics which seem to indicate an individualistic approach. For that matter, each church situation is different from the next.

To this writer, for whom one of the first acts as a superintendent was an interview with the consultant, the priorities as stated by the Willson Report seem natural and logical. Some, who may have begun their tenure under other circumstances, may find them binding and burdensome if interpreted literally. Nevertheless, some of the distinctions between administration and pastoral-laiity relationships seem arbitrary and unnecessary.

For instance, all of the superintendents have delegated and authorized certain kinds of Charge Conference action, such as election of officers and review of membership, to conferences conducted by the local pastor or other elder. Some have delegated all of the Charge Conference business and have worked primarily with the local church Council on Ministries. Most superintendents, however, have been experimenting with new styles of Charge Conferences and have discovered that with reports reduced to a minimum the conferences can become opportunities for the participation of larger number of laity than just the Council on Ministries in dialogue concerning the purpose, goals and objectives of their own church. Because this is done at a Charge Conference and in the presence of the superintendent, it has greater authority in the eyes of the people, and at the same time reveals to the superintendent a great deal about the vision and commitment to the church."
Just as the church is asked to define its goals, similar principles of 'management by objectives' are being used in counseling with ministers. Direction in analyzing the actual purposes of the churches they serve in relation to a well thought out Christian purpose, in the setting of reasonable, realizable goals for their churches, and in thinking through their personal goals and objectives has been received with appreciation by ministers to whom it has been offered."

II - Administration

The second recommendation centered around administration and the nature of the Charge Conference and the superintendent's relation to the Conference program and causes.

The Rev. Wayne Ireland responded to the recommendation in this area by saying:

"There has been continuing effort to make the local church Charge Conference more than dull, routine reporting sessions. In some instances, these efforts have succeeded with creative lay and clergy leadership appreciative and enthusiastically responsive. Unfortunately, in some other instances, the creative possibilities and functional necessity of any administrative meeting--Charge Conference or otherwise--is not appreciated and is suspect. On the local church level there is need for a greater awareness that creative administration is one of the viable keys that unlocks, and releases for mission, the latent resources of a local church and community. Invariably churches cognizant of the proper place of good administration are actively involved in meaningful mission. Conversely, all too often where Conference, district and local church administration is held in low regard the local church is floundering, anemic and struggling with the problems of self-perpetuation.

We covet the opportunities for person to person meeting. We welcome the chance to sit with minister or laymen. We make ourselves available to the local churches of the Conference. Again, the opportunity to meet with the local church boards, commissions and committees is welcomed. We solicit the help of the Annual Conference to understand, magnify and enlarge this administrative aspect of the responsibility or assignment of the district superintendent.

Dr. E. Russell Praetorius comments on the administrative recommendation by saying:

"New forms of conducting Charge Conferences are underway. Most Pastor-Parish Relations committees are now meeting annually with the superintendent, adequate financial support for pastors continues to be urged yearly at budget building time, and the legal affairs of churches are receiving the careful attention they deserve.

The shift of the role from policeman to counselor awaits the realization by boards and agencies that the superintendent is not the one to wield the nightstick over the head of every 'delinquent' or recalcitrant pastor, and that, in fact, it is the duty of every pastor and lay member to present and secure support of the Christian Service Fund Share in the local church."
It is agreed that the day of General Church or Annual Conference devised program plans that are superimposed upon every local church is rightfully over, and the adaptation of program is desired. This does not mean, however, that a church or pastor may bypass or ignore program areas that are not within the purview of their own private stance. Every United Methodist Church deserves the right to be genuinely exposed to the full spectrum of the church's mission. Such exposure is the responsibility of the district superintendent, pastor and lay member cooperatively through the local Council on Ministries.

III - Leadership Style

The Rev. Gerald V. Walder comments on this area as follows:

"Because of the diversified needs of the eight districts of the Conference, and because the district superintendents are people with different talents, personalities and work styles, each superintendent has kept in mind the total perspective of the office, but, at the same time, in order to accomplish the task, he has, with liberty and determination, done his 'own thing'. The time which was normally spent in time consuming oral reports was given over to a time of evaluation of the ministry of the church. Each church, through the direction of the district superintendent, must be aware of its mission and purpose in the community, in the Conference, as well as in the total mission in God's world. In some instances 'opinion polls' were taken by the district superintendent of those officials present at the Charge Conference. These were compiled by the superintendent's office and returned to each church to help motivate them to set goals and to be conscientious of how others see the long-range life of their mission in the United Methodist Church. In every instance of the eight districts there is a concern on the part of the cabinet members that goals and long-range planning be a part of every church's experience. The life style of the district superintendent is evident as to how this goal is being presented in each of the eight districts.

The district superintendents have been sensitive to the need of relating to ministers and laity alike. To accomplish this need each superintendent, in his own manner, has endeavored to be accessible to people through individual visits to ministers, small group meetings for a time of sharing, or inviting the minister and lay leader to visit and to share their aspect of needs and goals in their particular church. In some instances this need has been accomplished by the superintendent as he has worshipped as a visitor in church on a Sunday morning as one of the congregation and visited informally following the services. To another district superintendent the need of relating to ministers and laity has been as the worship leader, preacher or guest leader and speaker for a special event, meeting or district activity."

The Rev. Paul O. Metzger, in writing on this style of leadership, says:

"The times require new organizational structure and new leadership styles through all of the institutions of our culture. Everywhere, in industry and in government, the older bureaucratic type of management hierarchy, with its centralized planning and vertical chain of communication and command, is yielding to new more flexible structures that encourage cross communication
among structural units, utilize ad-hoc task forces to solve special problems outside the competence of top management, and permit the input of creative ideas and decision-making at all levels of the organizational structure. The church, too, must respond with new, more flexible structures and new operational methods to a changing world in which it seeks to fulfill its mission. Today's proliferation of specialized ministeries, young adult, campus, industrial, inner-city, etc. reflects a growing need for the church to break out of a structure designed to deal with problems that didn't exist a few years ago and extend its ministry to a variety of special situations that cannot be brought under the umbrella of traditional structures. Within this context of decentralized decision-making and program-planning the role of the superintendent is less characterized by the word 'authority' than by the word 'enablement'; his task is not to call the local church to accountability in the fulfillment of a standardized ministry and conference program but to enable the local church to define and execute its own ministry. This changed role of the superintendent affects his leadership style at the following points:

1) It affects the appointment procedures. Given the new diversity of local situations to which appointments are made, the priority question is not whether a particular minister is sufficiently accomplished in the conventional skills of the ministry to be appointed to a larger post, but whether his personal-interest, temperament, experience, training, and skills equip him for a particular appointment. Each of the superintendents endeavors to bring to the appointment process a knowledge of each appointment to be filled on his district, of the particular tasks required there, and of the congregation's own understanding of its needs and opportunities.

2) It requires the superintendent be, not so much a promoter of a centrally planned program, or even an enforcer of Conference policies and directives, as a consultant to the local church to encourage it, stimulate it and assist it in defining its own goals and objectives and in evaluating its faithfulness in fulfilling them. Our Minnesota Cabinet uses a variety of methods and devices to accomplish this: questionnaires at Charge Conference, small group discussions, goal-setting devices, visits to local church Councils on Ministries and Pastor Parish Relations committees, etc.

3) It requires the superintendent to be a resource person for the local church, rather than an expert who is, himself, competent to guide and direct the local church's program in every place. We must rely upon the competence of those under our supervision to develop ministerial styles and types of program adequate to the needs of the local situation and provide them with personal and conference support in their implementation. We see in our contacts with local congregations, especially the Charge Conference, an opportunity to offer the resources of the general church, the conference, the district and perhaps also other churches to enable the local church to respond to its missional opportunities.

4) It requires that he be the point of linkage between the local churches of his district and the larger ministry of the church at the district and conference level, and in ecumenical mission programs. We recognize that a large part of the church's missional vocation is greater than any local congregation can accomplish alone, and that many of the world's most urgent needs can only be
dealt with as local congregations pool their resources of money, influence, and manpower, in joint missional efforts in a more broadly based ministry. We do not view Conference or ecumenical programs as apart from or other than the program and ministry of the local church, but as extensions of them - as that part of the local church's mission that can only be done effectively in a larger context. And we endeavor to be agents through whom local churches may be related to the churches' larger efforts to create a society of freedom and justice under God."

IV - Parish Groupings and Training Events

Other recommendations of the Willson Report have to do with parish groupings and training events for district superintendents.

The Rev. Clarence R. Nicholas reacts to these suggestions as follows:

"We feel that the parish concept, churches working together in the basic area of administration and programming, needs further study and opportunities. Throughout our Conference we have parish organizations in both inner-city and rural sections of our state. In these places the churches have been able to carry on programs which, by themselves, they would never be able to do. In the area of administration, it is an economical procedure both in time and finance. In programming it makes possible the use of talents other than those which one minister or one church can contribute. We would like to recommend that churches in the rural, suburban, urban and inner-city consider parishes as a means of working together. Above all we feel it is a grass roots expression of ecumenicity when churches of different communions work together in a parish.

The office of the district superintendent is a different but not unique type of ministry. We concur with the Willson Report which recommends that a large portion of the time of the superintendent be spent with the ministers and people on his district in interpersonal relationships. Therefore, certain types of training experiences should be made available to those who come into this office. The motivation should be that of the sharing of Christian love with the ministers and people of the district. Training has been offered to the superintendents of our Minnesota Annual Conference in the past year. On September 14 through 17 the jurisdictional training school was held at Garrett Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois. The first day was given to the training of new men in the superintendency and the other three days for all superintendents. On September 24 through 26 your superintendents were a part of Phase One-Consultation on Racism-held at Camphor Memorial Church in St. Paul. This was excellent training in the area of interpersonal relationships across racial lines. On November 2 and 3, Mr. Dwight Peterson of Willson Associates, met for two days with the members of the Cabinet in training for adaptation of the Willson Report to the work of our Conference. From this has come a program of goal setting which the cabinet as a whole hopes will be advantageous to the entire Annual Conference."

Impressions

As we view the work of the past year, there are some impressions which we
want to share:

1. It has been good to see increased work being done in many churches in the area of adult education.

2. It is our impression that our Conference minimum salary plan has been helpful to many churches and ministers in arranging more adequate salary support.

3. Significant work is being done in our three inner-city projects which involve new forms of ministry and the meeting of a variety of human needs.

4. Special training sessions have been provided by the Conference stewardship, worship, education, racism and communication areas which have been helpful to laymen and ministers who attended.

5. The Council on Ministries plan is functioning well in many of our churches and some of its potential is being realized.

6. There is increased concern in almost all of the churches about being involved in mission in the community. In varying degrees churches are “acting” in the community.

7. We are impressed with the quality of lay leadership in the churches. More people are serving with real commitment. Capable people are accepting responsible leadership in the church.

8. Ministers are meeting the multi-form demands of ministering in today's world with faith and courage, and at times, with considerable frustration.

9. We feel that more use might be made in local churches of help that is available in the Conference staff. Some seem to feel that it is a sign of weakness to ask for help - actually, it may indicate strength.

10. There is a need in many churches for more family-type programs. Much of our church activity separates families.

11. There is need in most churches to involve a larger percentage of the membership in accepting responsibility for the work of the church. The core group is often quite small in terms of percentage.

12. More and better work needs to be done in reaching and involving new people. In many of our churches substantial numbers of persons need to be received just to balance the loss of those who move away. We are still under the mandate to “make disciples.”

Recommendations

It is our hope:

1. That we will find some way to publish a conference newspaper which will regularly reach the homes of all the members of our churches.

2. That our pension payments to our retired ministers can be increased to a higher level. Our pension amounts are low as compared with many other conferences. Only three out of fourteen conferences of the North Central Jurisdiction are lower than ours.
3. That our benevolence percentage at least keep pace with increases in the other part of local church budgets.

4. That a computerization of church membership lists, officers and other data to benefit both Conference and local churches be made so that there would be more immediate access to information concerning talents and abilities of people. This could be a fringe benefit of a Conference newspaper.

5. That all of us help our local churches to become more effective in helping persons commit themselves to Jesus Christ.

6. That all of us help to meet the need for greater understanding of our commitment to the Christian Service Fund as a ministry of the local church.

7. That all of us work toward discovering missional opportunities in our own communities.

8. That in the coming year churches with the help of the district superintendent and the conference staff work at defining purposes and goals of the local church.

9. That we give increased attention to training for church membership for both children and adults. That this involve training in discipleship as an involved and working member of the Body of Christ.

**Conclusion**

In conclusion, we want to express our appreciation for the leadership of Bishop Washburn, both in the work of the cabinet and the total work of our conference. He has continued to lead the way in a larger ministry through our church in so many ways. His good judgment, his brotherly spirit, his patience, his Christian insights, have all helped us to see the potential of really being the church in ever larger measure. We have appreciated, too, the gracious, friendly hospitality of Mrs. Washburn as she has moved in our midst. We feel that we are a favored people in our episcopal leadership.

We want also to express our appreciation to the conference staff for their fine spirit of cooperation, and to the ministers and laymen of our conference who have been workers together in the great tasks of the church.

Willard S. Allin  
Wayne L. Ireland  
Paul O. Metzger  
Clarence R. Nicholas  
E. Russell Praetorius  
Gerald V. Walder  
H. Thomas Walker  
Allen W. Flohr
On the final day of Annual Conference, June 11, 1970, officers and members of the executive committee were elected as follows:

**Chairman:** Mrs. R. F. Haining

**Vice-Chairman:** Ray Boehlke

**Secretary:** Lyle Schreiber

**Executive Committee members:** Betty Jean Foster, Ralph Klinkerfues, Mrs. E. E. O'Brien, Burton Passer, Alex Ramos, Donald Walkes, E. Russell Praetorius, Bishop Paul Washburn, Charles Purdham, Floyd Boshardt.

Three committees appointed by and responsible to the Council on Ministries are: Communications, C. Wallace Green, chairman; Interpretation, R. Dean Postlethwaite, chairman; Planning and Research, William G. Law, chairman. The membership of these committees is listed in the 1970 Journal on page 7.

During the year the executive committee has met eight times and the total Council twice. All Council meetings are open to any interested conference member.

In an effort to make better use of our space and to effect an economy in operation, a major relocation of offices occupied by our staff was undertaken in the fall of 1970. The space formerly occupied by the EUB staff before union was sub-let to Youth Research Center. Costs of remodeling will be recovered in approximately two years because of the saving in rent. This plan was authorized by the executive committee and carried out under the supervision of the Program Director.

Because we wanted to give both visibility and audibility to the voice of youth, four young people of post-high age were invited to sit on the Council as advisory members (in addition to the two youth who are voting members by action of Annual Conference). They were: Sandra Gedde, Margaret Dagg, Curt Dunn, and Ron Hillstrom.

At the October meeting of the Council, half the day was spent seeking ways to function helpfully in relation to the local church and to other conference agencies.

Budget and program hearings were held simultaneously in early March. Because of the limitations of anticipated income as projected by World Service and Finance, major cuts in both program and budget for 1972 had to be recommended to the Council and subsequently by the Council to the Annual Conference.

Because we genuinely want to hear from the local church, we asked our eight district representatives (lay persons) to visit in at least three churches at council on ministries meetings. Visits were made in six districts, and response was such that we feel this program of listening ought to be expanded in the future. An obvious need expressed was for more and better communication, both ways.

Awareness of this need prompted the Council on Ministries at its March meeting to approve and endorse the projected conference newspaper, although it was impossible to provide budgetary support.

Other program and budget recommendations appear in reports which follow. We believe that the United Methodists of Minnesota will continue to be good stewards, and that the ministry we attempt together in the name of Christ will be supported.
We wish to express our appreciation for the fine spirit and the professional excellence of our conference staff, every member of which seems endlessly willing to carry new responsibilities and to be more flexible than we have any right to expect.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Council on Ministries approves and endorses without budgetary support the establishment of a conference newspaper.

2. The Conference Council on Ministries accepts and endorses the recommendation of the Board of Laity to have a full-time staff person assigned to Stewardship and Lay Work, but working under the Council on Ministries.

3. Whereas possible deficits in 1971 receipts cannot further be absorbed by Annual Conference program, therefore be it resolved that the Annual Conference reconsiders and modifies the present policies with reference to priority payments, and further be it resolved that we feel that, if necessity determines, there should be proportionate cuts across the budget, including World Service payments to the General Church.

4. The Council on Ministries approves the revised budgets of the Board of Christian Social Concerns and the Board of Missions (as on the mimeographed sheets) and recommend the substitution of these for the budgets printed in the 1972 Proposed Program-Budget Worksheet booklet.

Mrs. R. F. (Kathleen) Haining, Chairman

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM STAFF

INTRODUCTION

The Conference Staff is a team ministry to local churches, to the districts, and to Conference boards, committees, agencies, etc., seeking to equip each for its portion of the mission of the church.

We are deliberately using the phrase “Conference Staff” rather than “Program Staff.” In the Plan of Union and in the Willson Report, we were termed both Conference Staff and Program Staff. Conference Staff is a more inclusive term, and we choose to use that because the word “program” has some limiting connotations that we would like to avoid.

We propose the use of the term “Team Ministry,” in contrast to “Program.” Ministry is a good New Testament word and it is consistent with the new terminology “Council on Ministries.”

In listing our ministries we give first priority to the local church. It seems to us that this is the area to which our ultimate thrust must always be directed. We take whatever way possible to remind ourselves that this is our first priority.

Our ministry to the districts is somewhat harder to define. Out of the fall meeting of the Conference Council on Ministries came this as one of three objectives for that group: “to serve as ‘enablers’ to the districts as they
clarify their goals and carry out their ministries.” The implementation of this is in large part dependent upon the initiative and organization of the district structures and these vary greatly across the conference.

Furthermore, we have a ministry to and through the Conference boards, committees, and agencies. And again the nature of this ministry is somewhat blurred. As a group the staff is directly responsible to the Conference Council on Ministries, but individually we are related to particular boards and/or committees and often it is these relationships that determine how our time is spent. Until the functioning of these various conference boards and committees and their relationship to the Conference Council on Ministries has been clarified, the full development of a team ministry among the Conference Staff members will be very difficult.

We have chosen to use the word “equip” (in relationship to the definition of our ministry above) as an inclusive term which would cover many things such as initiate, stimulate, motivate, facilitate, coordinate, and communicate. The basic idea is that we would seek to use ourselves and our resources so as to assist them in carrying out their particular mission.

We believe the word mission is fundamental to this whole statement. Our task is not simply to strengthen the structure of the institution; but rather to help the persons and organizations involved to overcome their barriers, to respond to their areas of need, and to extend their outreach into society and into the lives of other persons.

Hopefully, you will see this statement of ministry reflected in the following sections of this report.

LOCAL CHURCH

Our ministry to the local churches of the Minnesota Annual Conference has taken many forms. Through staff visits we have contacted more than 100 of our churches directly. We have conducted Youth Ministry Workshops; Stewardship Evaluation sessions with subject areas including visitation, mailings, budget planning, stewardship seminars, borrowing, Christian family money management, and membership conservation; audio-visual workshops; and training sessions for the Council on Ministries. We are increasingly convinced that in the concept of the Council on Ministries, as well as in the leadership of those persons who constitute these councils, we have a tremendous potential for the strengthening of the church and its work.

In addition, your Conference Staff has arranged for the support and itineration of missionaries throughout the conference. Communication projects have included the monthly Conference Mailing, “Minnesota in Mission” (brief statements regarding the Annual Conference-approved World, National, and Conference Advance Specials), “Invest Yourself,” “Church Occupations and Voluntary Service,” “The Christian Service Fund Story,” “The Audio-Visual Catalog,” and other means through which we have sought to inform and encourage the congregations of this conference.

Other forms of ministry to local churches have included working with them to plan and carry through programs related to specific needs which they have recognized. Among these have been work with those who are concerned about a ministry to persons at leisure. The phrase “leisure revolution” is no longer an exaggeration, and raises one of the key issues before the churches of this state as they seek to prepare their members for a more meaningful use of leisure and as they work to develop a ministry to those who come within their parish in the pursuit of leisure.

DISTRICT

Again, at the district level, there is great variety to our ministry. Here are but a few illustrations: a district school in youth ministry at Wells for the
Southwest District, comprising three evening sessions; youth rallies in the following districts—Northwest, Metro-East, Southwest, Central, Metro-North, and Southeast; various sessions with the seven district committees on camping; a stewardship development and training program for clergy and local lay leaders in the Southwest District; the consultation on White Racism, with its various sub-district programs throughout the state. In addition, members of our staff have met with district ministerial groups dealing with various topics from continuing education to person-to-person communications, and have served as resource persons at the pre-Conference district meetings.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Each staff person is related to several of the conference structures. At this point we see as one of our goals that of helping each board or committee to see how its work fits in to the total mission of the conference.

Various staff functions are utilized by the boards and committees of our Annual Conference. In the process we find ourselves involved in helping to assemble material, planning with immediate objectives and long-range goals, budget study and analysis, leadership recruitment and training, publicity and promotion, and evaluation. Out of this process of planning have come a variety of significant programs (though by no means can we as a staff claim credit for these): Stewardship Schools, worship workshops, the European Travel Seminar, the Vocational Involvement Program, Voluntary Service Projects, Communications workshops, and the Lay Witness Mission held as a pilot project at Richfield Church last fall. One of the projects that holds particular promise for the future is the New Life Mission with its four foci on Content, Commitment, Community, and Compassion. And certainly in this day of ecumenical relationships, we know that no church or denomination stands by itself in being a witness to the Christian faith. Projected ahead to 1973 is a simultaneous “each in his own way” evangelistic thrust which promises to be more than a paper plan.

General statements such as the preceding do not do justice to the unique variety of our ministries throughout the year. Again we need to turn to some specific illustrations: one of us serves as the coordinator of the Boundary Waters Canoe Trip program which makes available to local churches canoes and equipment for wilderness canoe tripping. Two of our group (along with a number of other persons from across the conference) worked on pilot audio-visual programs — The Jackson Story and the Christian Service Fund Story. Others have served as resource leaders at the Women’s Society of Christian Service annual meeting, and have arranged promotional displays at district retreats and at the Annual Men’s Congress. The last issue of the Minnesota TOGETHER Area News Edition (TANE) was published in December 1970, and has been succeeded by a news sheet (MINNE-MEMO) distributed through the district superintendents’ mailings. Two of us are involved in property purchase, maintenance, and follow-through on taxes and insurance.

General coordination is given our work by the Conference Council on Ministries. Following the recommendation of the Willson Report, we have worked with the Conference Council on Ministries in attempting to help set some goals for its operation and to think more specifically about necessary changes in procedure if it is to function as a council on ministries.

TEAM RELATIONSHIPS

Clearly there is an interdependence within the staff in the performance of our assignments. In outreach, the information through the Director of Communications is of greatest help. The Director of Nurture coordinates the mailing of publicity for the Summer Assembly sponsored by the Board of Evangelism, with the camp mailing. The Director of Stewardship is an active
liaison in the new supportive role of the department of Church Extension. The Director of Outreach provides mission information that helps to "get the word around". The Conference Treasurer has readily available figures needed to guide in the disbursement of funds. The Program Director keeps channels open for any cross-referencing that is needed to serve the local churches and to strengthen the work of the staff.

One of the fringe benefits for the conference staff is that of working within the larger structure of the conference office, with its personnel. We find this total group to be a disciplined, dedicated unit knit together by strong bonds of concern for Christ and His church. For them, and to them, we express our personal appreciation.

CONCLUSION

As a team ministry, we are keenly aware that we are part of a larger team. And sometimes it becomes painfully clear that the team as a whole has not as yet agreed upon what are its goals. One cannot help but be impressed with the activity and the creativity of United Methodism throughout this conference. But to those who view the church from the bleachers of the world around us there must be some question as to the lack of clearly visible goalposts. And in all probability the oft-mentioned problems of lethargy and morale are related to this same lack of clearly-stated objectives. We as a Conference Staff urge you to set as a high priority the establishment of commonly agreed upon goals that are definable, achievable, and readily identifiable with the "upward call of God in Christ Jesus".

Charles Purdham
Floyd Bosshardt
Grace Carlock
John Espie
Donald Germain
1971 REVISED CALENDAR

(Program events are in CAPS; Conference Administration and promotion meetings in lower case)

SEPTEMBER

9  Conference Staff
10-11 Higher Education
14  Frontenac Board of Directors
15  Board of the Ministry
16  Executive Committee-Conference Council on Ministries
17-19 DISTRICT ENLISTMENT RALLIES
19-24 Archives and History Workshop
21  Board of Trustees
23  Board of Christian Social Concerns
25  Conference Council on Youth Ministry
25  FILM FESTIVAL
25-26 WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD CONFERENCE WEEKEND
25-Oct. 5 INTERBOARD SCHOOLS
27  Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission
27-29 MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT — Northern Pines

DISTRICT AND SUB-DISTRICT W. S. C. F. FALL WORKSHOPS

OCTOBER

4-8 YOUTH MINISTRY LABORATORY SCHOOL
  Conference Staff
  8-9 W. S. C. S. Conference Executive Committee
  8-9 Star Lake Board of Management
11-12 MINISTERS’ CONVOCATION
14  Executive Committee-Conference Council on Ministries
15-16 Commission on Ecumenical Affairs
16  Lay Life & Work Section, Stewardship & Finance Section — Board of Laity
16  Communications Committee
16-23 UNITED NATIONS SEMINAR
18  Board of Pensions
18  Lake Koronis Assembly Grounds Board
18-19 W. S. C. S. Conference Executive Committee
19  Campsite Managers’ Meeting - Lake Koronis
20  Conference Council on Ministries
21-29 General Board of Missions Meeting-Leamington Hotel
24  MISSION FIELD DAY
25  Board of Missions Section Meetings
25  Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission
26  Board of Evangelism

NOVEMBER

1-2 Conference Camp Council - Decision Hills
  2  Worship Commission
  8-10 NEW LIFE MISSION TRAINING
  10 Conference Staff
1972 CALENDAR

(Program events in CAPS; Conference Administration and promotion meetings in lower case)

DECEMBER
2 Executivé Committee - Conference Council on Ministries
8 Conference Staff
15 Conference Council on Ministries

JANUARY
4 Executive Committee-Christian Social Concerns
5 Conference Staff
6 Executive Committee-Conference Council on Ministries
14-15 Commission on Ecumenical Affairs
17-21 DISTRICT AGE-LEVEL AND FAMILY LIFE COORDINATORS WORKSHOPS
20 Board of Trustees
26 Board of Ministry
29 Communications Committee
29 Frontenac Board of Directors
31 Lake Koronis Assembly Grounds Board
31 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission

FEBRUARY
1 Executive Committee-Christian Social Concerns
2 Conference Staff
3 Executive Committee-Conference Council on Ministries
6-10 NEW LIFE MISSIONS — PHASE I
8 Commission on Enlistment for Church Occupations
8 Worship Commission
10-12 Conference Board of Education
10-12 Conference Camp Council
10-12 Section on Local Church
10-12 Conference Council on Youth Ministry
11-12 W. S. C. S. Conference Executive Committee
11-13 STEWARDSHIP SCHOOL
12 Board of Health & Welfare Ministries
19-26 WASHINGTON SEMINAR
15 Board of Evangelism
16 ASH WEDNESDAY
18-20 STEWARDSHIP SCHOOL
21-22 Board of Missions (Sections Meetings and Full Board)
25-27 STEWARDSHIP SCHOOL
27-Mar. 2 NEW LIFE MISSION — PHASE II
28 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission
MARCH
1  Conference Staff
1  Program Requests in to Program Director
1  Budget Requests in to Conference Treasurer
7  Board of Christian Social Concerns
10-12 Jurisdictional Society Guild Meeting (Chicago)
11  Executive Committee - Board of the Laity
14  Conference Council on Ministries
16  Board of Trustees
27  Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission

APRIL
2  EASTER
4  Executive Committee-Christian Social Concerns
5  Conference Staff
11-12 Board of the Ministry
13  Executive Committee-Conference Council on Ministries
14-15 Commission on Ecumenical Affairs
24  Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission

MAY
1-22 Stewardship District Meetings
1-15 Executive Committee-Christian Social Concerns
3  Conference Staff
8  W. S. C. S. Conference Executive Committee
9  Board of Health & Welfare Ministries
9  Frontenac Board of Directors
9  W. S. C. S. ANNUAL MEETING - Christ Church, Rochester
10  W. S. C. S. Conference Officers Training
13  Lay Life & Work Section, Stewardship & Finance Section — Board of the Laity
14-17 B. W. C. A. Canoe Training
16  Executive Committee-Conference Council on Ministries
17-18 Board of Ministry
18  Board of Trustees
19-20 Spring Camp Training
22  Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission

JUNE
6  Executive Committee-Christian Social Concerns
7  Conference Staff
12-15 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
(during Ann. Annual Meeting of Executive Committee-Board of the Laity Conf.)
11-15 W. S. C. S. North Central Regional School
13-16 Conference on Summer Activities
15-July 6 EUROPEAN YOUTH TRAVEL SEMINAR
SUMMER CAMPS
22  Board of Trustees
24  W. S. C. S. Conference Dist. Officers Training-St. Peter
25  W. S. C. S. CONFERENCE SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION-St. Peter
26  Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission

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JULY
SUMMER CAMPS
SUMMER ASSEMBLY - Lake Koronis
31 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission

AUGUST
SUMMER CAMPS
1 Executive Committee-Christian Social Concerns
28 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission

SEPTEMBER
5 Executive Committee-Christian Social Concerns
6 Conference Staff
DISTRICT WORKSHOPS INTERPRETING CHRISTIAN SERVICE FUND
12 Executive Committee-Conference Council on Ministries
14 Board of the Ministry
15-30 DISTRICT STEWARDSHIP MEETINGS
21 Board of Trustees
22-23 Conference Council on Youth Ministries
25 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission
30 FILM FESTIVAL (Alternate Date Oct. 7)
DISTRICT ENLISTMENT WORKSHOPS
DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST MEN RETREATS
DISTRICT AND SUB-DISTRICT W. S. C. S. FALL WORKSHOPS

OCTOBER
3 Board of Christian Social Concerns
4 Conference Staff
7 Board of Health & Welfare Ministries
9-10 Board of Missions - Section Meetings
12 Executive Committee-Conference Council on Ministries
13-14 Ecumenical Affairs Commission
14 Communications Committee
16 Lake Koronis Assembly Grounds Board
18 Conference Council on Ministries
23 Board of Evangelism
29-31 Conference Camp Council
30 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission
DISTRICT WORSHIP WORKSHOPS
UNITED NATIONS SEMINAR

NOVEMBER
1 Conference Staff
7 Executive Committee-Board of Christian Social Concerns
14 Worship Commission
15 Executive Committee-Conference Council on Ministries
16 Board of Trustees
17 Executive Committee-Board of the Laity
18 Board of the Laity
27 Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission

DECEMBER
5 Executive Committee-Christian Social Concerns
6 Conference Staff
13 Executive Committee-Conference Council on Ministries
THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS

The Board of Christian Social Concerns has a very broad range of responsibilities as assigned by the "Discipline." To accomplish some of those responsibilities we work with the General Board of Christian Social Concerns as well as with some interdenominational and secular agencies. The work of the Board is carried out by an Executive Committee and three committees: World Peace, General Welfare, and Human Relations.

The goal of all our activities is to seek reconciliation among various groups in the church, the nation, and the world. However, seeking reconciliation is itself frequently alienating! Some, feeling this tension, recommend that social concerns be optional and that the Church instead shore up its institutional walls.

But if the Church is "the body of Christ" can we in faith expect not to suffer? Do not we have an obligation to SEE the world: the dispossessed and oppressed and poor and war-weary? Our activities and resolutions are submitted in this spirit; that the church as "the body of Christ" seeks reconciliation among the people even at the price of tension and discomfort within the Body.

WORLD PEACE

PALESTINIAN REFUGEE PROBLEM

Background: A study committee has met and studied this situation this past year and has decided that we would not try to give a political solution, but to treat it as we did the Biafra situation and look to the human need of the Palestinian Refugee problem. There are estimated to be 1,500,000 Palestinians being kept off the Jewish state soil. It is estimated that more than 80% of Israel's total area and more than two-thirds of its cultivable land belonged to Arabs, now refugees. Nearly all the olive groves, half the citrus groves and 10,000 shops and business being operated in Israel in 1953 belonged to the Palestinians who are now being prevented from returning.

In the Christian Science Monitor, Joseph Harsch writes, "the United States has contributed about $500 million for the support and education of the Palestine refugee over a 20 year period. It amounts to about $20 per refugee. Whatever was done to make even the possibility of 'generous' contributions visible to the refugees, nothing was done to give them a prospect for someday finding what they could call a permanent home."

RESOLUTION: THAT ALL NEGOTIATIONS ON PEACE AND ARMS SUPPORT BE DONE THROUGH THE UNITED NATIONS, NOT THROUGH MAJOR POWERS; THAT ARMS AID BE DISCONTINUED FROM OUTSIDE POWERS TO THE MIDDLE-EAST NATIONS; THAT A *CONFERENCE WIDE OFFERING BE DESIGNATED FOR THE PALESTINIANS IN 1971.

*Such as the Thanksgiving offering.

STATE OF THE WAR MESSAGE

Background: President Nixon has said that the United States desires "a political settlement that reflects the will of the South Vietnamese people." So Americans have supported this goal of freedom for Vietnam so far, with 46,000 of its men's lives and 250 billion dollars worth, believing we are working for peace in the world.
If we are for freeing persons, why did our government give $200 million to Spain in military aid and a loan of 16 American warships to a country that is under a dictatorship? Similar military aid is given to Portugal for use of the Azores Shores, a country that suppresses people in three of their colonies in Africa. While supposedly encouraging self-determination, the "United States sent $168 million worth of military aid to Greece during the past three years while publicly proclaiming a selective arms embargo against that country's military rulers." (Mpls. Tribune, Oct. 5, 1970.) Now again, our government is extending the war and military aid to Cambodia and Laos, giving support to governments that will not free the people, as we in America believe our motive to be. We sympathize with the families of prisoners of war and regret that our government has put them in the position of having no standing as P.O.W.'s. We hold that total withdrawal is the way to free these P.O.W.'s.

RESOLUTION: THEREFORE, WE BELIEVE THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE IS A DIRECT TURN OF PRIORITIES; THAT ECONOMIC AID SHOULD BE GIVEN RATHER THAN MILITARY AID; THAT WE START IMMEDIATE AND TOTAL MILITARY, PARAMILITARY AND CIA WITHDRAWAL FROM INDO-CHINA BRINGING ABOUT THE RELEASE OF THE PRISONERS OF WAR; AND THAT WE SUPPORT LEGISLATION SETTING A WITHDRAWAL DEADLINE BY DECEMBER 31, 1971.

THE RIGHT TO KNOW

Background: Senator Stuart Symington, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and chairman of a 1970 inquiry into U.S. overseas military commitments, reported: "the United States in the past decade has built up a worldwide network of military bases and security commitments to other nations without the knowledge or approval of Congress and the public." The report criticized the administration's reluctance to give information about the deployment of U.S. nuclear weapons in foreign countries, saying it represents a special kind of commitment.

The Pentagon is acting on its own, through the A.I.D. (Agency for International Development) and C.I.A. In a recent article, the British historian, Arnold Toynbee, writes that the CIA has become more feared than the Communist in countries around the world. So we ask, what control do we have over this, if Congress had to investigate for two years to find out what has been happening?

RESOLUTION: THAT WE, THROUGH OUR ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES, HAVE THE RIGHT TO KNOW THE POLICIES AND PRACTICES OF THE MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT. THE POWER OF THE PENTAGON MUST BE RESPONSIBLE TO THE PEOPLE. THEREFORE, LET US INSIST THAT OUR ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES CONTINUE TO INVESTIGATE AND TO HOLD THE MILITARY ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR ACTIONS.

HUMAN RELATIONS

RIGHTS OF HOMOSEXUALS

Background: Homosexuals are probably the largest minority group in Minnesota, according to projections of the Kinsey Institute on Sex Research which found four per cent of American men and three per cent of American women to be exclusively homosexual. In contrast, all minority races in Minnesota combined totaled only one and one-fourth percent in the 1960 census.
Conrad Balfour, Minnesota Commissioner of Human Rights, has said that his lawyers advised him that neither “sex” nor “creed” provisions of the state human rights law cover homosexual discrimination over jobs. Balfour said he would ask the 1971 Legislature to change the law.

RESOLUTION: THE CHRISTIAN FAITH TEACHES THAT, THOUGH ALL MEN HAVE FALLEN SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD, EACH MAN HAS A PRECIOUS DIGNITY IN THE EYES OF GOD. IN THE LIGHT OF THAT CENTRAL TEACHING OF THE CHURCH, THE MINNESOTA CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH RECOGNIZES THE RIGHT OF HOMOSEXUALS TO EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. THIS CONFERENCE FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS TO SEND A LETTER TO GOVERNOR WENDELL ANDERSON INDICATING OUR SUPPORT OF A LAW INSURING EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOMOSEXUALS’

WHITE RACISM AND EDUCATION

Background: The Kerner Commission Report in 1968 indicted American society with racism. This charge of racism seeks to differentiate between personal prejudice and social arrangements by which certain groups within society are excluded from full participation. This exclusion is accomplished by means of patterning our social institutions in such a way that “rules and regulations,” rather than individuals, as such, keep people apart. The classic examples of this racism in our society has been the pattern of education in the South and the pattern of housing in the North.

Traditionally, the American system of public education has been the gateway by which an ethnic group could gain standing and acceptance within the society as a whole. In the resolution of racial conflict and the establishment of full and first-class citizenship for all groups in our society, therefore, the institution of public education undoubtedly will play a crucial role. It is important to move beyond considerations of individualized attitudes of a particular white person for particular persons of another color, and to move into a clear understanding of how patterns of social life work to exclude people of color. Such an understanding is but the pre-requisite of social change.

According to Charles E. Wilson’s article, “Racism in Education” (White Racism, Schwartz and Disch, Dell Pub., 1970), racism is deeply embedded in this central institution of education in our society. Wilson says, “The racism which pervades the public school system is at one and the same time subtle, unintentional, unthinking, as well as brutal and deliberately offensive. And more important, this middle-class racism is disguised in a clever rhetoric. Sometimes the talk is liberal, affirming goodwill and genuine social concern and at other times speaking in a subtle racial code: ‘neighborhood schools,’ ‘jungle,’ ‘due process,’ ‘professional rights,’ ‘cultural deprivation,’ and, o yes — ‘love for the children’ But generally, behind the words exists an entire reality which protects the professional educator’s self-esteem at the expense of the children; protects the educator’s status at the expense of the community’s interests; protects whites at the expense of the Blacks; protects the middle class from competition with those who they feel aren’t ready, or don’t deserve to have the good things of this glutted society.” There is at the heart of racism in our public education a fatalism which sees members of ethnic groups as permanently impaired to deal with the demands of the present. The response to this impairment (sometimes known as “cultural deprivation”) is often one characterized by a kind of humanistic colonialism.
Wilson enumerates some of the ways in which racism manifests itself in the operation of our institutions of public education: (quoted)

1. segregation of teachers and students by race
2. gerrymandering of students to avoid desegregation
3. discriminatory hiring practices on all levels of personnel from janitorial to pedagogical
4. discriminatory purchasing of supplies, books, and materials
5. discriminatory budget practices which systematically rob the poor to educate the upper and middle classes
6. test standards and practices which are designed to make professional advancement limited for members of minorities in competition with others
7. discriminatory practices in school building maintenance and repair, which insures that school buildings and school facilities for minorities remain less adequate than those for the powerful or influential
8. purchasing of text materials which present racially biased, whether overt or subtle, treatment of school subjects

One final consideration in this issue is that local control of public education has high priority in the contemporary credo of community life. We seem to pride ourselves on the fact that public education, because of this local control, is responsive to the wishes and directives of public opinion.

RESOLUTION: LET US RECOGNIZE THE PERSISTING NEED TO BECOME SENSITIVE TO THE FORMS OF WHITE RACISM THAT EXIST. LET US RECOGNIZE A GENERAL NEED FOR US TO BECOME INFORMED ABOUT THE CURRICULUM OF PUBLIC EDUCATION IN OUR COMMUNITIES, RECOGNIZING THAT OUR SCHOOLS PLAY THE DOMINANT ROLE IN IMPARTING ATTITUDES AND VALUES TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. LET US RESOLVE TO ENGAGE IN THAT KIND OF CREATIVE DIALOGUE WITH SCHOOL OFFICIALS AND SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS THAT WILL ILLUMINATE PATTERNS OF RACISM AND THEN ENLIST THE AID OF ALL MEN OF GOOD CONSCIENCE TO FIND PATTERNS OF INSTITUTIONAL LIFE AND PERSONAL VALUES THAT MORE VIVIDLY REFLECT THE ACCEPTANCE THAT GOD DEMONSTRATES TO ALL HIS PEOPLE.

EDUCATION IN THE PROCESS OF LEGISLATION

Background: Government continues to become a dominant force in every life. If our Christian community is going to have any realistic hope of making visible its faith, the ways by which government operates will have to be more clearly understood.

RESOLUTION: LET US HAVE, UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS, AN OPPORTUNITY FOR UNITED METHODIST CHRISTIANS, THE OPPORTUNITY FOR EDUCATION IN THE PROCESSES OF STATE GOVERNMENT, SUCH AN OPPORTUNITY COULD BE A WORKSHOP GIVING LAY AND CLERGY A FIRST-HAND EXPOSURE TO THE METHODS AND ISSUES WHICH OCCUPY OUR STATE LEGISLATURE.

THE ECOLOGY CRISIS

Background: At every point in the current discussions which range about the ecology issue, value conflict is evident. It is becoming increasingly clear that we cannot continue to destroy the earth's resources, strain the earth's living space, encumber the earth with waste, and expect to continue living on the earth.
In this new ecological apocalyptic the messiah is Science. Or at least that is a very popular interpretation of the times. A different interpretation of the same milieu looks upon apocalyptic scientism with the criticism that it demands nothing of the individual but the continuation of his present life style. What we would hope would be an interpretation nearer the spirit of Christ in terms of examining fundamental values by which we actually live. Barring some technological messian, man must perform a radical transformation on the values that constitute his life style. Survival is at stake.

RESOLUTION: LET US SEEK TO RELATE OUR CONTEMPORARY LIFE STYLE, WITHIN THE UNDERSTANDING WE HAVE OF THE LIMITS OF OUR RESOURCES, TO THE VALUES IMPLICIT IN CHRIST’S TEACHINGS. CHRIST SAID, “... BEWARE OF ALL COVETOUSNESS; FOR A MAN’S LIFE DOES NOT CONSIST IN THE ABUNDANCE OF HIS POSSESSIONS.” (LUKE 12:15) THIS KIND OF REALIZATION MUST BE MADE SPECIFIC IN THE DEMANDS WE PUT ON SUCH BASIC RESOURCES AS ELECTRICITY, TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS, AND SO FORTH. OF ALL MEN, WE ARE A SOCIETY WHICH GLORIES IN ITS ABUNDANCE OF POSSESSIONS. WE FIND THAT WE CANNOT SURVIVE ECOLOGICALLY OR SPIRITUALLY WITH SUCH VALUES.

LET US BEGIN TO INCREASE OUR EVALUATION OF HUMAN LIFE TO SUCH A POINT THAT WE DO NOT BRING LIFE INTO THE WORLD UNLESS WE HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING THAT RESOURCES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO SUSTAIN THAT LIFE WITH AT LEAST MINIMUM DIGNITY. THIS CALLS FOR, IN OTHER WORDS, A CAREFULLY THOUGHT THROUGH POPULATION POLICY. GENERALY, WE MUST RE-EXAMINE OUR POLICY ON INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR CHILDREN, THE GRANTING OF AID TO FOREIGN NATIONS WHICH REFUSE TO CURB POPULATION, AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FAMILY PLANNING CLINICS IN THOSE AREAS WHICH NEED THEM.

PUBLIC AID TO PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS

Background: The proverbial issue of parochial schools is once more upon us. Once again legislatures are being asked to find ways to make public monies more available to parochial education. Once again cries are heard in the land which invoke the traditions of church and state separation.

Four aspects of the problem will be considered as background to the resolution proposed. The first is that the separation of church and state is experiencing some re-definition. Although the issue is complex, a number of things can be said which suggests the direction of this re-definition. Aid from governmental sources does in fact go to institutions which are primarily religious in nature. The question has become one of defining the uses to which that aid is put. There are churches, church-related colleges and universities and parochial schools that are receiving substantial sums of state aid to perform functions on a non-sectarian, public interest basis. Everything from hot lunch programs to facilities for OEO operations, to science equipment has been defined as legitimate uses of public funds in religious-oriented institutions. Moreover, it is a rather common practice for public schools to take over the function of certain educational tasks which parochial schools are unable to fulfill such as language training, science and advanced mathematics courses. To summarize, the issue of the separation of church and state has been re-defined in terms of use and function rather than structure and form.
The second consideration is that new methods of finance have been devised. Rather than defining the financial arrangements as one existing between the state and its educational institution, tax credit or a voucher system has been suggested as an alternative means of funding education at the same time as the state preserves individual initiative.

One of the basic values in American society, in the third place, is one in which competition plays a key role. There is no particular reason why public education needs monopolistic control over the education of the nation's youth. With the tax structure that presently exists it becomes increasingly difficult for viable alternatives to exist. Moreover, it is said in other fields of endeavor that competition is a positive value producing a greater attention to excellence of service. Without competition, many feel, an institution or business becomes complacent and finally ineffective. The merits of our nation's system of public education could be illuminated, strengthened and verified in a situation where viable alternatives are available.

The fourth consideration is that America is now recognized as a pluralistic society. In a nation which is developing varying sets of life styles is it not consonant with such pluralism to develop a system of education which more nearly meets the variety of our people's needs rather than struggling to construct a structure broad enough to create a consensus through the medium of education? In a technologically sophisticated, socially pluralistic society could there not be devised means whereby necessary social consensus is created that are more adequate than a common education? Indeed, does public education build the kind of society that matches our technical, political, social and international milieu? Or, is it more likely that a more specialized, and yet pluralistically-oriented system of many educational models be a more creative way to meet our society's needs?

Out of these various considerations, the following resolution is advanced.

**RESOLUTION:** THE UNITED METHODIST CONFERENCE OF MINNESOTA GOES ON RECORD AS BEING POSITIVELY RECEPTIVE TO FINDING THOSE MEANS WHEREBY GOVERNMENTAL FUNDING CAN BE ADOPTED AS A BASIS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS OUTSIDE WHAT IS NOW KNOWN AS PUBLIC EDUCATION, PROVIDED THOSE SYSTEMS MEET COMMONLY ACCEPTED STANDARDS OF EDUCATION AND CIVIL RIGHTS.

**INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY AND ARMY SURVEILLANCE**

*Background:* Robert Froehlke, assistant secretary of defense for administration, told the Senate Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights (Mpls. Tribune, March 3, 1971) that the U.S. Army presently maintains information regarding the activities and attitudes of one out of every eight Americans, some 25 million persons in this country. Such activity, we are told, was begun with the prompting of various disturbances across the country relating to civil rights and anti-war demonstrations. And, this surveillance has extended from high government officials to lowly citizens.

**RESOLUTION:** UNITED METHODISTS ARE CALLED UPON TO DEFEND WITH ALL THEIR VIGOR THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS WHILE THEY STILL HAVE THEM. THIS INCLUDES THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH, FREEDOM OF ASSEMBLY AND CIVILIAN CONTROL OF THE MILITARY.
TO: Legislative Committee No. 9 - Social Concerns - General Welfare

SUBJECT: Abortion Law

PETITION:
Be it resolved that the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church urges the Minnesota Legislature to enact a law which provides that the decision to terminate pregnancy be made by the woman and be it further resolved that the law provide that termination of pregnancy be conducted only by a licensed medical practitioner.

SUBJECT: No strike-law for teachers

PETITION:
Be it resolved that the Legislature repeal the no-strike law for teachers.
Be it resolved that if the law is not repealed, compulsory binding arbitration be instituted.

TO: Legislative Committee No. 13 - Budget and Apportionments

SUBJECT: Request to reinstate Funding

PETITION:
That we ask the Annual Conference to reinstate Draft Counseling the Minnesota Council of Alcohol Problems, and Rust College to the original budget request.

SUBJECT: The 1973 Budget

PETITION:
Motion that we recommend to the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church that when 1973 budget cuts are made, line cuts are to be made by the boards and agencies. Only percentage cuts may be made by the Conference Council on Ministries.

W. T. Horst, Chairman

THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION 1970

The Conference Board of Education is divided into three sections: Section on Local Church, Camping and Higher Education. In giving consideration to our ministries and responsibility, we give first priority to the local churches of the Minnesota Conference. It seemed to us that this is the area to which our ultimate thrust must always be directed. The Conference Board of Education and the staff of the Nurture Office seeks to strengthen the teaching ministry of the local church and its 9,000 officers, teachers and counselors, the 70,000 children, youth and adults enrolled in its church school as well as those informal and short-term educational activities which belong to the total life of the local congregation. As an extension of the ministry of the local church, the Board is also concerned with the educational work of the church carried
on away from home at various campgrounds, retreat centers, and on the mountain and canoe trail. It is the agency which gives direction and support to the mission of the church on the college campus.

Section on Local Church

I. Service to the Local Church: Direct service to the local churches is provided by:

A. The Nurture Office: The Conference Director of Nurture and his staff is able to answer many requests by phone, mail, or personal conferences at the conference office such as choosing curriculum, audio visuals, resource books, worship suggestions, camping inquiries, etc. The Conference Loan Library and United Methodist curriculum display are current and are an invaluable service to local church leaders.

B. Field Service to Local Churches: In addition to the availability of the professional program staff of the Board of Education, four specially trained persons living in various parts of the state have been available on call to assist local church school teachers, youth counselors and education leaders in their educational ministries. Increasing numbers of local churches are availing themselves of this consultant service. Such inquiries will be welcomed and are an important part of the service to the local church by the Conference Board of Education.

C. District Ministries: Support and guidance has been given district age level coordinators whenever possible. A renewed interest in literature previews and training enterprises for church school leaders will provide continued opportunities for a team ministry to the local church by the district age level coordinators and the Board of Education. The Board stands ready to provide leadership and resources to district leaders.

D. Training for Pastors in Confirmation Training: In September fourteen Confirmation Training Laboratory Schools were conducted throughout the state for the pastors of our conference. Over 100 pastors participated in the laboratory experience as preparation for the teaching of the new confirmation curriculum resources now available for use in our churches.

E. Family Life: A number of persons from Minnesota participated in the National Conference on Family Life in Chicago last October. The Conference Nurture Office would be pleased to provide to local church Family Life Coordinators resources in terms of materials and persons in the area of family life.

F. Youth Ministries: The youth work of the Conference is carried on under the auspices of the Council on Youth Ministries which is composed of both youth and adults. In addition to sponsoring senior high summer activities such as trip camping by mountain hikes or canoe tripping and the Youth Ministries Workshop, the Council has experimented with a newsletter to all local youth leaders, sponsored a high school travel seminar to Europe and encouraged youth participation in the “Journey to the City” program and in the Annual Conference sessions through the seating of a youth delegation.
II. 1971-72 Programs: In 1971-72 five major programs are recommended to local churches through the Section on Local Church:

A. Field Service: The on-going service to local churches through the field service will continue and be expanded. The field workers will be given opportunity to broaden their influence by attaining a "working knowledge" of the other work areas of the local church so that assistance can be given to local churches beyond educational concerns. Local churches are encouraged to request the services of this consultant service.

B. A Program of Awareness: The Section plans a program to enable the local church to re-think the goals and means of Christian Education at the local level. This plan sees Christian Education as one means of revitalizing the local church as each church examines its purpose and ministry and that purpose in relation to Christian Education.

C. Age-level Coordinators Workshops: The Section on Local Church has recommended to the Conference Council on Ministries that coordinators workshops be held across the conference in January or February, 1972, for local church age level and family coordinators.

D. Youth Ministry: A program to assist local congregations, including its youth, to "come alive" to ministry will be implemented in the fall through a Leadership Laboratory in Youth Ministry. Each local church during 1972 will have the opportunity to strengthen its youth ministry through the availability of twenty-four trained consultants.

E. Marriage Enrichment Retreat: A Marriage Enrichment Retreat at Northern Pines during September 27-29, 1971 will provide time for re-evaluation and renewal for couples.

Camping as Ministry

Church camping is a part of the total ministry of the church. The nature of Christian camping is such that it offers opportunities for learning not duplicated elsewhere. Some things can be learned best in a classroom situation; others can be learned more effectively in a camp. Christian living and Christian growth are the core of a church-related camping program. Since no other arrangement of church life affords as great an opportunity for continuous Christian nurture and growth as does living together under trained Christian leaders, 24 hours a day, six or more days in an atmosphere of Christian love and community, camping is ministry as an extension of the local church ministry in a different setting.

The most recent available figures indicate United Methodists in the year of 1970 spent 55,000 camper days in a camp setting. This number of hours is about 7 times more than all United Methodists spent in worship and church school for the same one year period! We are convinced that living together with Christian leaders who in turn are convinced that Christian birth and growth happens best in a living setting is far too important to be treated as an extra in the life of the church. Nowhere else in the life of the church can young and old, rural and urban, black and white, liberal and conservative, actually live together for more than an occasional hour or so.

Increasing numbers of local churches are providing special opportunities for their children, youth, adults, and family to participate in the Church Out-of-Doors. In many cases the Conference Director of Nurture has been
responsible for providing training for local church leaders as well as helping them with their planning and equipment.

The Section on Camps and Conferences and the Director of Nurture are charged with the responsibility of (1) training of leadership, (2) publicity and promotion, (3) coordination of Minnesota's outstanding program of 60 camping opportunities, and (4) facilities for the wide-spread growing year-round camping program.

I. 1971-72 Proposals:

A. 1971 Summer Program: In 1971 over 60 camping opportunities are available to United Methodist people and over 27,000 information brochures and registration forms have been mailed to United Methodists throughout the state. Registration and coordination of this program will be handled by the Conference Nurture staff.

B. Interpretative brochure: The Conference Committee on Camps and Conferences working within the limits of its budget is seeking to produce a descriptive brochure and an audio visual piece depicting campstyles available to United Methodists in Minnesota. We recognize the need for our people to become familiar with all the fine facilities enabling the church out-of-doors to function.

C. Campsite study: The Conference Committee on Camps and Conferences attempts to anticipate trends and needs and respond to them. The Minnesota Conference can be proud of its camping program and facilities. To assure maximum use of our sites throughout Minnesota we are convinced that there is a need for a professional study. Plans are now underway to provide the conference with such a study.

Section on Higher Education

Following the directive of the Annual Conference, the Committee on Higher Education has moved to united ministry through United Ministries in Higher Education with United Presbyterians, United Church of Christ, Disciples, and Moravians. Five persons represent United Methodists on the State Commission. All local campus ministries — formerly Wesley Foundations — have united or are in the process of completion of the move to sharing in UMHE.

It is imperative that local churches understand this broad ministry to the issues and persons in higher education and share fully in our responsibility. The Committee will take this communicative task seriously. In this united ministry, personnel, budget, and program are "shared responsibility". State college and university campuses are the focus of campus ministry now, but the broader implications of all of higher education in Minnesota are under consideration.

Hamline University is supported with budget. She is ably represented on the Committee on Higher Education. Special consideration is urged for a minority studies program — because of budget cuts this is difficult to support as we would like to do.

Rust College has come to full regional accreditation; we need to continue her support in Race Relations Sunday offerings, in Advance Specials, and in
our budget allocations.

The directives for budget curtailment cause continued re-evaluation of personnel and program. As necessary as this may be, the priority for ministry to higher education is one which we can validate for our day. We feel that the Annual Conference needs to continue to make this commitment also.

Recommendations to the Annual Conference

The following persons are recommended for re-certification as Directors or Ministers of Christian Education: Harold Biederman, Constance Carothers, Joyce Haberman, Kathryn Kenyon, Betty Lee, M. Elizabeth Suiter, Dale Wordelman.

The following persons are recommended for re-certification as Ministers and Directors of Music: Monroe Bell, Roberta Harris, Charlotte Krueger, Mrs. Wesley Kugler, Merrill B. Miller, Robert Scoggin, Pearl Shoemaker, Richard Waggoner.

The following new persons are recommended for certification as Directors of Music: Elsie Nayler, Sheila Olson, Roger Towler.

Clemmet A. Peterson, Chairman
Donal L. Germain, Director of Nurture

THE BOARD OF EVANGELISM

The Board of Evangelism sets itself to the task of assisting individuals and churches to be translators of the good news into thought and action, “that they might have life, life in all its fullness”. In this task it sees itself a part of and not apart from all other ministries of the church.

During the past year the Board sponsored the Summer Assembly, a Lay Witness Coaching Conference, and the Ministers’ and Wives’ Convocation. It assisted in the Lay Music Mission and the creation of radio broadcasting “spot” messages.

Scholarship assistance was given to enable twelve ministers to be among the 38 Minnesotans in attendance at a most significant Congress on Evangelism at New Orleans in January of 1971.

Priorities

There are three specific programs toward which the Board is devoting its energies. The current 1971 one is the Lay Witness Mission. Now in the planning stages is the 1972 New Life Mission, and anticipated is the “Key ’73” ecumenical emphasis. One centers on the strengthening of personal witness and commitment, the other upon church-wide revitalization, and the third upon Christian community impact. These are not mutually exclusive efforts, but may be chosen by churches according to need, circumstances, and leadership.

Our Board has chosen to give priority to these three models among several creative patterns recently developed by the General Board of Evangelism. Our current experience with the Lay Witness Mission, with seven churches involved this spring, unitedly testifies to a most wholesome evangelization among people.

Specific information and training material is available for examination by pastors and lay leadership at the place of the Annual Conference.
The one single thing a church can do to be informed and abreast of current evangelistic thought and action is to become a subscriber to the regular "TIDINGS" mailings which distribute one copy of each evangelistic tool produced during a year. More than $15.00 worth of publications are received through a $7.50 subscription.

Continued under Board sponsorship will be the Summer Assembly, which this year will be the 50th in its long significant history; the Ministers’ and Wives’ Convocation, the Lay Music Mission, and the creation of radio "spot" announcements.

We invite Conference delegates to take the opportunity during the Annual Conference session to visit the Evangelism display and audio-visual projection room. Delegates are also cordially invited to participate in the daily morning Love Feast prayer groups.

**Recommendations to Annual Conference**

1. Sanction the Lay Witness Missions for our churches.
2. Recommend the New Life Mission pattern to our churches.
3. Endorse United Methodist participation in the "Key '73" program in cooperation with other churches in our communities.
4. Encourage participation in the Ministers’ and Wives’ Convocation.
5. Endorse the Summer Assembly.

**BOARD OF HEALTH AND WELFARE MINISTRIES**

Seeking to meet human need in the health and welfare field in the name of Christ has again been the motivation of our Board this past year. This has embraced the six institutions related to the Conference as well as new ministries.

The Board has a pilot project for group homes for retarded adults and is studying pastoral care in hospitals, thinking especially of those patients without the care of their own pastor. Local church Health and Welfare Representatives of the area were included in an open meeting of the Board in Fairmont.

Because of the difficulty in getting the attendance of both doctors and ministers at a Conference-wide convocation on theology and medicine, the Board accepted a plan of the State Medical Association for a seminar for the clergy as a part of its annual convention in May. However, the Board is still hopeful of sponsoring a convocation that would involve doctors and ministers in some of the pertinent theological issues in medical practice.

We were reminded at our national convention in Denver that as various boards of the church get "outside the walls" and into new forms of mission, they will undoubtedly find themselves designing similar ministries. However, there need not be duplication or overlapping. This can be avoided through coordination in the Conference Council on Ministries.

The Denver meeting centered on the uniqueness of the Church’s health and welfare ministries, and a quality of personnel was stressed as a major part of this uniqueness. It would follow, then, that every effort be made to achieve this kind of personnel within our Conference institutions and wherever else we minister.
In 1970, Minnesota United Methodists gave $3,174.46 for benevolent homes of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church and $2,034.18 through Golden Cross for benevolent causes in the six United Methodist homes and hospitals in Minnesota. This year all such support is through the Golden Cross offering, and all United Methodists are urged to give this their wholehearted support.

Burton A. Passer, Chairman

MONTEVIDEO METHODIST HOME, INC.

Brookside Manor, located near junction of highway 7 and 29, is a four story building with 79 apartments. Much could be said about our dining room, planned and unplanned activities and the uniqueness of our facility. However, if more information is wanted, please write, visit or telephone requesting specific information.

I trust that everyone will consider the use made of Golden Cross funds as being not only desirable but worthy of the support by members of the United Methodist Churches of the Minnesota Annual Conference.

Brookside Manor is a glorified apartment house offering social service but no medical care. Everyone is active and functions alone. Independence and freedom to make their own daily schedules characterizes our home. At present we have 61 women and 20 men. During 1970, there were 100 different residents. Our average occupancy for the year was 82.4 residents. Brookside Manor has 12 employees and the operating budget was $127,324.

Our residents hold active membership in many different Protestant and Catholic Churches; however, a very ecumenical spirit was manifested when they very enthusiastically voted from the bazaar funds $1,000 to build 260 feet of sidewalk between the Montevideo Methodist Home and the new Montevideo United Methodist Church building which is now under construction.

The one and only purpose for the existence of Brookside Manor is to provide a retirement home for active senior citizens in order that they may have independence, serenity and enjoyment in living. The administrative staff is always available for social services which are frequently needed. What does Brookside Manor accomplish for its residents? In almost every instance, the individual within three weeks of taking up occupancy displays an improvement in health: physical, mental and psychological. Very often the improvement is so dramatic that this has become our reputation. The residents themselves, relatives, friends and physicians of the community attest to this. The will and desire of the individual to reside as long as possible at Brookside Manor demonstrates what environment and God can do.

Harris Halstead, Administrator
BOARD OF THE LAITY

The board of laity . . . may it respond well to the wishes and desires . . . as well as the problems of the conference members. And may it also respond equally well to its responsibilities. For the description of the duties of the laity are well documented in the discipline. Their assumption rests within the discipline of the laity.

We have been fortunate in having excellent district leaders with the ingenuity as well as the desire to carry out programs far beyond any expectation. And many of these were done simply by their work without any prodding or assistance from conference staff or leaders.

If we were to catalog this year, I feel relative to conference leaders and staff, it has been a year of planning and learning. Handicapped with the inexperience of a new lay leader, these people have all done exceptional jobs in assuming responsibilities and duties. But if extra credit is being given . . . it should come first to the district leaders and their people for carrying out projects thru their own work and desire.

One of the principle goals of our coming years is to make known in deed and action that the word laity is not and does not mean only male participation. For only thru a board composed of both men and women will we achieve the total possibilities before us.

As we look toward the coming years, I feel it can be with a good deal of expectancy. With the organization and planning being done . . . with the excellent and dedicated lay people both men and women . . . the work of the laity can be effective. And in no time have we seen more need for the laity in action and belief. Not just for our church . . . but for what we represent to the world.

Wally Green, Conference lay leader
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| Leadership Development    | To train volunteer leaders for above programs | a) 4 new assoc. dist. lay Leaders or clergy to school  
                            |                                               | b) Conf. L. L. & Spec. Gift Chim to Seminar                                    | volunteer leaders               | spring & fall  | $1,150   | Stewardship & Finance Commission of Board of Laity |
| Interpretation of         | a) improve understanding of support           | a) Enlist Cabinet support for district program  
                            |基督教 Service Fund (Program Budget Book E-1 (pp. 11) | b) Provide tools for & to local interpretation  
                            |                                               | c) Reverse trend in C.S.P. percentage of collections.                        | Local Church Leaders            | 15 days during | $900 (1972) budget plus $300 for Av development from 1971 budget | Lay Life and Work Commission of Board of Laity |
| Promotion and Training in | Train in local church and District Meetings   | Work through Conference Directors (staff and volunteer), Lay Leaders & Pastors Seminars, Lay Speaking and Mens Seminars, Planning and Executive Sessions, and local, district and Conference | Local church Lay & clergy       | On call        | $850     | Lay Life and Work Commission of Board of Laity |
| Laity Programs            |                                               |                                                                                  |                                  |                |          |                                   |
| Lay Meetings, United Mens Congress (Program Budget Book E-3) | Inform, Inspire and motivate Laity to Minister today and tomorrow. | a) Cooperate with W.S.C.S.  
                            |                                               | b) Cooperate with other agencies  
                            |                                               | c) Sponsor annual Congress          | all people                    | Quarterly      | $1,300   | Executive Committee of Board of Laity |
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BOARD OF THE MINISTRY

The year 1970 brought the Ministerial Education Fund into being as a part of the program of the Board of the Ministry. Authorized by the 1968 General Conference, the Ministerial Education Fund is a nationwide effort of the entire church to accept responsibility for the enlistment and education of its ministers.

Within Minnesota the Conference Treasurer received $55,762.66 in 1970 for the Ministerial Education Fund. This was 47.9% of our apportionment. Of that amount 25% was retained as Minnesota's share of that Fund. The balance (75%) was distributed by the Department of the Ministry for current education expenses of the fourteen United Methodist Theological Schools and for other educational needs of the ministry.

Expenditures from the Ministerial Education Fund within Minnesota during 1970 were for two basic items — continuing education and aid to ministerial students. Under the heading of continuing education
— two men attended three-week seminars at nearby seminaries;
— one man was assisted in a clinical training program;
— four persons participated in the sabbatical leave program.

Aid to ministerial students has provided grants and/or loans to thirteen persons in college or seminary.

Another effort of the Board of the Ministry is its Counseling Resources program. Because of its built-in anonymity we do not have a record of the number of persons participating in this service. However, expenditures for Counseling Resources have increased from $1,919 in 1969 to $3,158 in 1970.

In recent months the counseling resources has added to its available services a career evaluation program. This is not simply an emergency service offered to men facing crises in their ministry. Our Board urges the use of the career evaluation service as the basis on which an individual can develop his own long-range continuing education program.

The above items pertain to the program aspects of our work and are but a portion of the total responsibility of this board. Our over-all concern is with persons in ministry from recruitment to retirement. This includes interviews with, and assistance to, these persons at each step of the way — lay pastor, probationary membership, full connection, location, and retirement. This is both a privilege and a responsibility and we pray that we may be worthy of both.

Respectfully submitted, Charles Purdham

A PROPOSED MOTION FOR SPONSORSHIP OF THE CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER BY THE MINNESOTA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF MINISTRY ON MAY 19, 1971

It is moved that the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church become a sponsor of the Career Development Center, New Brighton, Minnesota, effective July 1, 1971, and that individual United Methodist participants in the Center program pay one-fourth toward their career evaluation and the Annual Conference pay three-fourths from the Ministerial Education Fund.

1. Basic information about the Career Development Center
   1. The purpose of the Career Development Center is to provide professional
guidance and counseling for professional church workers and candidates for church related occupations.

2. The procedure centers around:
   a) An inventory of interest, need, ability and personality assessment by a clinical psychiatrist who assists in finding clues to one's strengths and weaknesses, present frustrations and future hopes.
   b) Focus on one's achievements and failures through the use of interviews and questionnaires in a process designed to bring fresh understanding about potentially fulfilling and satisfying vocational options.
   c) Examination of the considerations necessary to be more effective in one's present position.
   d) Exploration of the future clarifying the need for goal setting and future planning using the information gathered in the vocational and personality interview and testing program.

3. The cost for a non-sponsoring denomination at present is $250 per participant. For supporting denominations the cost is $200, with advance payment toward the program of $10 per eligible minister annually by the Annual Conference from the Ministerial Education Fund.

4. An eligible minister may participate in the program by writing to the Career Development Center, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, 3000 Fifth St. N.W., New Brighton, Minn. 55112, Telephone (612) 633-4311.

*II. Eligible Ministers for participation in the program and counted toward Annual Conference prepayment sponsorship are as follows:

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1. The cost for a six-month period at the annual rate of $10 per year would be $1800.
2. The above schedule will allow 12 ministers to participate in the program at $150 (Conference share) plus $50 (individual participant's share) for the period July 1-December 3, 1971.
3. The cost for the calendar year 1972 will be based upon the statistical report on the number of ministers at the 1971 Annual Conference.
III Supporting statements for the motion

1. The Board of Ministry believes that sponsorship of the Career Development Center provides a valuable addition on our program of support for the practicing minister within the Minnesota Annual Conference.

2. The total cost for each participant is reduced from $250 to $200 per participant in sponsoring denominations.

3. The convenience of the Career Development Center (located on the campus of the United Theological Seminary, New Brighton) makes participation relatively easy. Participants have come from as far as the Rocky Mountain Conference of the United Methodist Church.

4. Our participation demonstrates an ecumenical sensitivity for a worthwhile project as we share with other denominations in giving our support.

5. The financial support for us as a sponsoring body is possible through funds presently available in the Ministerial Education Fund.

Statistics have been obtained from the 1970 Yearbook, Page 56, and the Report of the Conference Relations Committee as it pertains to lay pastors.

BOARD OF MISSIONS

The work of the Board of Missions of the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church is a story of people. People like yourself who ever stand in need of the mercy and grace of God. People with fears and anxieties, desires and ambitions, hopes and disappointments who attempt to find meaning and purpose in life in these contradictory times. They are people for whom Christ died. Some know He died for them, but many do not.

To fulfill the ministry delegated to it by The Discipline The Board functions through three major sections: The Section on Mission and Church Extension, The Section on Education and Cultivation, and The Section of Parish Development which is composed of The Department of Urban Ministries and The Department of Smaller Communities. The Sections on Mission and Church Extension and Parish Development carry on the work of The Board and The Section on Education and Cultivation promotes the work of the other two Sections.

The Section on Mission and Church Extension is concerned with the planning and establishing of new mission churches and relocation of established congregations. This long range program involves considerable time anticipation and ecumenical cooperation and a 5-year follow-through. We have not established a new church for four years now. This problem could be solved with dollars.

The Section on Parish Development has a two-fold thrust. The Department of Urban Ministries serves in metropolitan areas where no one church is able to carry the load, but where together we can help meet the needs. Here, again, the department is limited by a lack of dollars. The Department of Smaller Communities attempts to do outstate what Urban Ministries does in the cities. With decreasing population in most of outstate Minnesota the job that needs to be done far exceeds resources. In the years ahead we are going to need large dollar increases in the area of minimum salaries and mutual aid.

Our budget "crunch" is serious. Besides limiting our outreach for Christ and His Church, it creates tensions within the Board as the several interests compete for available funds. The task to be done is not either/or. It is both/and! We MUST continue to establish new churches, if we are to fulfill our
responsibility to help church new communities. We MUST continue and increase our ministry in urban areas. This is the only hope we have to help bring meaning and purpose out of hopelessness and cruelty. In rural areas we MUST shoulder our increasing responsibility to help maintain ministries in areas of declining population. In this ministry ALL areas are PRIORITY.

We have the resources to do the job that needs to be done. What we lack is the will and the commitment to do it! The Section on Education and Cultivation has a tremendous task to help make us all more sensitive and responsive to our brothers' need for Christ's sake. Only then will we do what is necessary to marshall the resources to do the job that desperately needs doing. As never before may we join hands to serve Christ in our time in those areas that are too big for anyone alone, but that together we can do to the glory of God to hasten that day when every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess Jesus Christ.

Jack Parriott, Chairman

"CHALLENGE GIVING"
For our Mission in Minnesota

The World Service Commission and the Conference Council on Ministries (Program Council) propose Challenge Giving as a means to secure additional support for ministries in Minnesota beyond that which is included in the Christian Service Fund budget.

It is hoped that this will encourage local churches to examine possible ministries and to select those projects through which they feel they can have more direct participation.

Our proposal is that Challenge Giving be conveyed to local churches together with the Christian Service Fund and Ministerial Education Fund apportionments. It is recommended that each Administrative Board establish a Challenge Giving goal equal to 10 percent of its Christian Service Fund share. Particular projects for Challenge Giving would be adopted by the Administrative Board upon recommendations from the local Council on Ministries. It is asked that each local church report to the District Superintendent its Challenge Giving goal and the particular projects it will support.

Support for these Challenge Giving ministries would be remitted through the Conference Treasurer. Challenge Giving would be listed as a part of the monthly and annual reports of the treasurer's office.

The Conference Council on Ministries has recommended that Challenge Giving include those items formerly listed as Minnesota Conference Advance Specials, leaving the "Advance Special" terminology to apply specifically to World and National projects as promoted by the General Board of Missions.

The Annual Conference would make a significant effort to promote and/or interpret these Challenge Giving items to the local churches. This would include the provision of materials by which the local church could interpret these projects to their congregations. Hopefully, the promotion of Challenge Giving will also strengthen the support of the Christian Service Fund.

A listing of Challenge Giving items is as follows:

**Ministries of Social Concern:**
- Minn. Council on Alcohol Problems
- Ecumen. Draft & Military Counseling Serv.
- Rural-Urban Relations
**Ministries in Outreach:**
- Mobile Ministries
- Pine Bend Indian Mission
- Camphor Church, St. Paul
- Church Extension
- St. Paul Urban Parish
- People's Church, Minneapolis
- Oakland Avenue Church, Minneapolis
- Inner City Project, Minneapolis
- Uptown Neighborhood (Joyce Church)

**Ministries in Health & Welfare:**
- Brookside Manor, Montevideo
- Lakeview United Meth. Home, Fairmont
- Paul Watkins Mem. Meth. Home, Winona
- Walker Meth. Residence, Mpls.
- Rochester Methodist Hospital, Rochester
- Methodist Hospital, St. Louis Park
- Emma Norton Residence, St. Paul

**Ministries in Education:**
- Camping—
  - Star Lake Wilderness Camp
  - Northern Pines Camping & Retreat Facilities
  - District-Managed Campsites
- Higher Education—
  - Rust College
  - Hamline University
  - Hamline Univer. Special Program for Minority Students
  - United Ministries in Higher Education—
    - Bemidji State College
    - Duluth Branch, Univ. of Minn.
    - Mankato State College
    - U of Minn., St. Paul and Mpls.
    - Marshall State College
    - Moorhead State College
    - Winona State College
    - Univ. of Minn., Morris Branch
    - St. Cloud State College

**Ministries through History and Archives:**
- The writing of a history of the United Methodist Church in Minnesota

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**A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROJECTS THAT ARE LISTED under “CHALLENGE GIVING”**

**Ministries of Social Concern:**

**Minnesota Council on Alcohol Problems**—This is an ecumenical, voluntary agency, dedicated to the education of the public regarding alcohol pro-
blems and the provision of supportive and curative agents for the alcoholic. In the past it has been in the Christian Service Fund budget for $4,900.

**Ecumenical Draft and Military Counseling Service** - This is a center to coordinate the various draft counseling services now available, to provide counseling services throughout the state, and to train additional persons to assist in military draft counseling. This program has the approval of the Minnesota Council of Churches and was recommended to the denominations for funding. The*Conference Board of Christian Social Concerns had recommended a budget item of $2,000 for this project.

**Rural-Urban Reconciliation** - This is a program to deal with the growing problems of youth entering the city from rural areas and relatively unprepared for the new styles of life that are possible for them. The Board of Christian Social Concerns had recommended $455.00 for this project.

**Ministries in Outreach**

**Mobile Ministry** - The Mobile Ministry serves the upper St. Louis County area of Minnesota, the churches at Kabetogama and Crane Lake. This is a ministry to serve the needs of the entire community, with a special responsibility to those who spend their vacation time in that area. It has been dependent upon about $4,000 annually in Advance Special Giving.

**Pine Bend Indian Mission** - This outpost, located on the White Earth Indian reservation in Mahnomen County, is ministering to all residents of the area, young and old.

**Camphor Church, St. Paul** - This church serves the black community in a redevelopment area of St. Paul. The construction of a new building for this congregation is of immediate necessity.

**Church Extension** - With the continuing population movement to the suburbs, new churches to serve young families are essential. To enable an organizing group to establish itself, additional funds from Conference agencies are needed during much of the initial five-year period.

**St. Paul Urban Parish** - Linked in a team ministry are six pastors serving the following churches: Camphor Memorial, Central Park, Olivet, Salem, and St. John's United Methodist and Goodrich Avenue Presbyterian. Program support enables an enlarged service.

**People's Church, Minneapolis** - This church has re-oriented its ministry and is making a serious effort to relate to a segment of the black community which is issue-oriented. A drug counseling and treatment program is one of its main thrusts to the surrounding community.

**Oakland Avenue Church, Minneapolis** - Along the Portland Avenue axis in South Minneapolis, an integrated community is developing. Support for this church provides assistance in community projects.

**Inner City Project** - In Minneapolis, Epworth, Simpson, and Walker United Methodist Churches are teamed with Stewart Memorial and Bethlehem Presbyterian and Minnehaha United Church of Christ. Mothers’, children's, and senior citizens' programs, drama theater, community young adult recreation programs, and study classes for parents of handicapped children are special features of the ministries of our churches in this project.

**Uptown Neighborhood** - Joyce Church - The resources of Joyce United
Methodist Church located in a drastically changing part of Minneapolis have been stretched to the limit. Neighborhood services provided include a child care center, nursery school, mothers' club, senior citizens' group, thrift shop, and a coffee house.

Metro North and South District Missionary Society - This is an organization to assist in the establishment and strengthening of the ministry of the United Methodist Church within the bounds of the North and South Metropolitan Districts.

Ministries in Health and Welfare:

There are many ways our related Homes and Hospitals can provide independence, love, care, and personal dignity, along with the specialized services they offer. Resources through church channels help insure these goals. The annual Golden Cross offering is not sufficient to care for the need.

Brookside Manor, Montevideo - A home for persons 62 years of age or more, with a policy of maintaining a normal household environment that promotes and requires independent living. Some social services and other help is available. Their motto is Independence.

Lakeview United Methodist Home, Fairmont - Located in southwestern Minnesota, it provides both nursing and resident facilities featuring care, skills, and a home-like atmosphere. Their motto is "Love in Action".

Paul Watkins Memorial Methodist Home, Winona - A home serving needs of the elderly. Concerned care is their motto and is demonstrated through a special emphasis on rehabilitation and helping residents maintain special activity interests.

Walker Methodist Residence and Nursing Home, Minneapolis - There is a Health Care Center as well as varied residential facilities. Their residents continue a creative, expectant life through a variety of services.

Rochester Methodist Hospital, Rochester - Their program of serving humanity refelects a ministry that is both ecumenical and international in scope.

Methodist Hospital, St. Louis Park - Has traditionally been involved in educational programs, and has an accredited 3 year diploma school of nursing enrolling about 130.

Emma Norton Residence, St. Paul - A home for young adult women, who are not residents of the Twin Cities, and need a Christian, home-like situation to live in while attending school and/or working in the area.

Ministries in Education:

Camping-

Star Lake Wilderness Camp - This is a conference owned facility in northern Minnesota, providing wilderness camp programs for junior highs, senior highs, and families.

Northern Pines Camping, Retreat and Meeting Facility - This is a new structure which expanded the facilities of the Northern Pines Assembly Grounds on the Northwest District to a year-round program.
District-Managed Campsites - An expanding program of Christian Education in the out-of-doors is carried on at Decision Hills, Frontenac, Kingswood, and Koronis.

Higher Education -
Rust College - This school, ministering primarily to black students, received accreditation only this past year. In part, this accreditation is dependent upon continued financial support from ours and other conferences. $5,000 has been removed from the Christian Service Fund Budget and is added to the Challenge Giving listing for Rust College. In addition, Rust College received $13,500 in Advance Specials in 1970.
Hamline University - This is our United Methodist College in St. Paul. $5,000 for Hamline has been removed from the Christian Service Fund budget and is to be included within Challenge Giving.
Hamline University Special Program for Minority Students - This started last year and is a special program to extend Hamline's outreach to and program with students of minority racial and ethnic backgrounds. For this program Hamline has requested $20,000 of the Minnesota Annual Conference.
United Ministries in Higher Education - Beginning with this past year, all campus work at state colleges and universities is now being done ecumenically through the United Ministries in Higher Education. This includes United Presbyterian, United Church of Christ, Christian Church, and Moravians, as well as the United Methodist Church. This is a ministry not only to students but to the total campus community. At present we are at work through the following centers:

- Bemidji State College
- University of Minn., Duluth Branch
- Mankato State College
- U of M., St. Paul and Mpls.
- Marshall State College
- Moorhead State College
- Winona State College
- Univ. of Minn., Morris Branch
- St. Cloud State College

Ministries through Archives and History:
The writing of a history of the United Methodist Church in Minnesota. Because the histories of the former Evangelical United Brethren and Methodist Churches and their antecedents have not been brought up to date for a good many years, it seems necessary at this time to begin work on such a project. The Commission on Archives and History has requested $3,000 as a first step in this project which would extend over the next four years.

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REFERENCES
from
THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

TO: Legislative Committee No. 7 - Missions - Smaller Communities

SUBJECT: Nett Lake Residue for Onamia-Vineland Indians

BACKGROUND:
With the closing of the Nett Lake Indian work there is, in the Nett Lake Account as of January 1, 1971, $465.00 in cash and $889.00 in a contract for deed.

So that this money may be continued in use for the benefit of Indians:

PETITION:
That the net proceeds in the Nett Lake Fund, as they become available, be earmarked for the Onamia-Vineland Indian communities to be disbursed upon recommendation of the Board of Missions.

SUBJECT: Guidelines for Aid and Funding Requests

BACKGROUND:
In funding mission projects and churches in need there are a multiplicity of sources from which aid is requested.

In order to make objective, responsible judgments, there is need for a better collating procedure than we now have.

PETITION:
That the Annual Conference request the Conference Council on Ministries to establish a task force to prepare, for the 1972 Annual Conference Session, guidelines for providing a clearing house for all financial requests made by local churches from national, state, or other sources. This clearing house shall:

1. establish guidelines and procedures for helping churches making requests so as to show their need in view of their total ministry.
2. be responsible for receiving and evaluating the request and the supporting documents.
3. channel these requests to the proper agents of the Annual Conference, or other agents as specified, along with a copy of the supporting documents, including the evaluation made.
4. faithfully record the requests and a record of the amount given to the church by the agent contributing funds.
5. be responsible to the Annual Conference.

TO: Legislative Committee No. 7 - Missions - Smaller Communities

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Smaller Communities Department
BACKGROUND:
The Board of Missions, by discipline, is to report to the Annual Conference. The minutes of the Department of Smaller Communities for 1970 are available at this session of Annual Conference.

PETITION:
That the minutes of the Department of Smaller Communities be reviewed for clarity and completeness and recommended for file with the Board of Missions and the Conference Council on Ministries.

TO: Legislative Committee No. 8 - Missions-World

SUBJECT: Advance Special and Challenge Giving

BACKGROUND:
The 1970 Annual Conference adopted a definition and guidelines for Advance Special selection and listing (Page 42, paragraphs 2-6, 1970 Conference Journal). Over the years, second mile giving, originally related to missions away from home, has also been applied to projects with the Annual Conference.

The restrictions placed upon requests for an allocation through the projected Christian Service Fund budget have compelled a search for additional money for Conference ministries and the creation of a category called "Challenge Giving".

PETITION:
That "Second Mile" giving (contributions above and beyond apportionments and allocations) be divided into Advance Special and Challenge Giving categories.

Advance Special giving refers to voluntary support of World and National projects and personnel as listed and promoted by the General Board of Missions of the United Methodist Church.

Challenge Giving refers to voluntary support of projects and causes of the Minnesota Conference as determined by its action.

For the year 1972, Advance Special and Challenge Giving will be as follows:

Advance Special Giving
World Division:
Missionary Personnel assigned to Minnesota
Philippine Wesleyan College (Cabanatuan City)
St. Anthony Church and Education Bldg. (Parana, Brazil)
Conference Building (Freetown, Sierra Leone)
Technical Education Commission (India)
Nave Institute (Lodhipur)
Baroda Institute
United Christian School
Ingraham Training Institute

National Division:
Missionary Personnel assigned to Minnesota
Alaska Methodist University
Puerto Rico Pastoral support
Red Bird Kentucky, Girls' Dormitory

Challenge Giving

Ministries of Social Concern:
Minnesota Council on Alcohol Problems
Ecumenical Draft and Military Counseling Service
Rural-Urban Relations

Ministries in Outreach:
Mobile Ministry
Pine Bend Indian Mission
Camphor Church, St. Paul
Church Extension
St. Paul Urban Parish
People's Church, Minneapolis
Oakland Avenue Church, Minneapolis
Inner-City Project, Minneapolis
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Metro North-South District Missionary Society

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Ministries in Education:
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Star Lake Wilderness Camp
Northern Pines Camping, Retreat and Meeting Facility
District-Managed Campsites

Higher Education--
Rust College
Hamline University
Hamline University Special Program for Minority Students

United Ministries in Higher Education--
Bemidji State College
Duluth Branch, University of Minnesota
Mankato State College
University of Minnesota, St. Paul and Minneapolis
Marshall State College
Moorhead State College
Winona State College
University of Minnesota, Morris Branch
St. Cloud State College

Ministries through Archives and History:
The writing of a history of the United Methodist Church in Minnesota.
TO: Legislative Committee No. 8 - Missions--World

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Education and Cultivation Section

BACKGROUND:

The Board of Missions, by discipline, is to report to the Annual Conference. The minutes of the Department of Education and Cultivation for 1970 are available at this session of Annual Conference.

PETITION:

That the minutes of the Department of Education and Cultivation be reviewed for clarity and completeness and be recommended for file with the Board of Missions and the Conference Council on Ministries.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Board of Missions and Executive Committee

BACKGROUND:

The Board of Missions, by Discipline, is to report to the Annual Conference. The minutes of the Board of Missions and its Executive Committee for 1970 are available at this session of Annual Conference.

PETITION:

That the minutes of the Board of Missions and its Executive Committee be reviewed for clarity and completeness and be recommended for file with the Board of Missions and the Conference Council on Ministries.

TO: Legislative Committee No. 6 - Missions--Urban Ministries

SUBJECT: Church Extension Money for Camphor Church

BACKGROUND:

When Heritage Church was discontinued, the sum of $56,034 invested from Church Extension Funds was returned to the Conference Treasury. The 1969 Annual Conference took the following action: "It was moved, seconded, and carried that the $56,034 from the sale of the Heritage United Methodist Church be placed in the Conference Treasury Reserve and held for distribution after the conference session in 1970". (Pg. 35, 1969 Official Journal)

PETITION:

That the $56,034 from the sale of the Heritage United Methodist Church, placed in the Conference Treasury Reserve by the 1969 Annual Conference and "held for distribution after the conference session of 1970", be released for the St. Paul Camphor Church project, upon request of the Department of Minnesota Missions and Church Extension of the Board of Missions and adequate notice to the Conference Treasurer.

SUBJECT: Minutes of Minnesota Mission and Church Extension Section
BACKGROUND:
The Discipline requests that a report be made to the Annual Conference by
the Board of Missions. The minutes of the Section on Minnesota Mission and
Church Extension for 1970 are available for review at this Annual Conference.

PETITION:
That the minutes of the Department of Minnesota Mission and Church Extension be reviewed for completeness and clarity and be recommended for file with the Board of Missions and the Conference Council on Ministries.

SUBJECT: Minutes of Urban Ministries Department

BACKGROUND:
The Board of Missions, by discipline is to report to the Annual Conference.
The minutes of the Urban Ministries Department for 1970 are available at
this session of the Annual Conference.

PETITION:
That the minutes of the Department of Urban Ministries be reviewed for clarity and completeness and be recommended for file with the Board of Missions and the Conference Council on Ministries.

TO: Legislative Committee No. 14 - Conference Properties

SUBJECT: Income from Permanent Church Extension Funds

BACKGROUND:
The Centennial Fund (M) and the Permanent Church Extension Funds (E) and other dedicated bequests for church extension purposes are now held and administered by the Minnesota United Methodist Foundation. The Church Extension Department of the Board of Missions depends greatly upon these earnings to carry out its work.

PETITION:
That the Minnesota United Methodist Foundation invest the Permanent Church Extension Fund so that there be income of a minimum of 5 percent of the principal per year, which income is to be disbursed at the request of the Department of Minnesota Missions and Church Extension of the Board of Missions upon a 90-day notice.

TO: Consent Calendar

SUBJECT: Record of National Board Support

BACKGROUND:
The National Division of the General Board of Missions requests that its grants to Annual Conference be made a matter of public record. Such
listing helps to understand we are a receiving as well as a giving Conference. It also documents one of the several sources from which our local projects receive aid.

PETITION:

That the following projects and salary aid to Minnesota be noted with appreciation and printed in the Journal:

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TO: Legislative Committee No. 6 - Missions-Urban Ministries

SUBJECT: Enabling action to support the ministry of Camphor United Methodist Church in the Summit-University Community.

BACKGROUND:

Camphor United Methodist Church is involved in a meaningful mission to a section of St. Paul residents who need the resources and support of the Camphor congregation. It has amplified the voices of the disenchanted and the disinherit ed. It has been an advocate for them in dealing with City Hall, Housing and Redevelopment Authority, Welfare, the Courts, etc.

To continue this ministry of advocacy, so desperately needed in the Summit-University Community of St. Paul, to demonstrate to needy and oppressed people, the love of God in Christ, through a ministry to personal, social, and economic needs, and to maintain a center of Christian fellowship, nurture, and worship for members of the Camphor congregation.

PETITION:

Be it therefore resolved that the Minnesota Conference of the United Methodist Church affirm Camphor Church as an on-going mission of the Conference to the black community of St. Paul.

That all funds on hand that have been set aside by the Conference Board of Missions be released as soon as feasible to Camphor Church.

That a special Conference-wide campaign be authorized to raise whatever
additional funds are needed to provide a suitable building for the Camphor congregation, such campaign to be conducted by a special committee appointed by Bishop Washburn.

That the Conference continue to support the mission of Camphor Church by supplementing the congregation’s budget for ministerial leadership and other local church program needs, such supplementary funding to be provided through the Conference Board of Missions budget and subject to annual review and evaluation as are all such projects.

It is anticipated that non-conference funding be secured to underwrite the costs of whatever community projects or programs center in the church.

Submitted by Camphor United Methodist Church
Approved by the Committee on Urban Ministries, June 4, 1971

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the Annuity Rate for the calendar year of 1972 be $60.00 from the funded program; $5.00 per year of service from the Layman’s Fund; $2.00 per year of service from Pensions, Inc. (this is in addition to the $40,000.00 given by Pensions, Inc. toward the funded program); and $2.00 per year of service from the “Deposit Account”, making a total of $69.00 per year of service.

2. That the annuity rate for full-time Lay Pastors be the same for the regular Conference claimants.

3. That the General Board of Pensions furnish the Conference Secretary a list of all changes in additional years of service granted to claimants of our conference, to be printed in the Conference Journal.

4. That the report of the Treasurer of the Conference Board of Pensions be printed in the minutes without reading.

5. RESOLUTION CONCERNING RETIREE’S RENTAL ALLOWANCE

Whereas: the United States government has recognized in its Income Tax regulations that monies designated as “Allowance for the rental value of a parsonage or home” for a minister is exempt from taxation; and

Whereas: the United States government has also recognized in its Income Tax regulations that monies paid by a minister for the utilities of such a “parsonage or home” for a minister to be exempt from taxation; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: that the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, in Session duly called, June 9, 1971, Bishop Paul A. Washburn, presiding, that one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) of the total annuity paid to each retired minister shall constitute a rental allowance, paid as part of the retired minister’s compensation for past service, to the extent that it is used for the cost of house rent, purchase of a home, or other costs involved in the maintenance of a home, including taxes and insurance.
RESOLVED: that an additional allowance of five hundred dollars ($500.00) shall constitute a utility allowance for the minister's said "parsonage, home or place of residence."

The above resolutions to be effective for the current calendar year, beginning January 1, 1971, and for the year 1972.

This is in accordance with paragraph 860: code section 107, regulation paragraph 1:107-1, of the Internal Revenue Service.

MINNESOTA CONFERENCE PENSIONS, INC.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Balance on hand May 31, 1970 (Last Report) $103.63
Deposited June 18, 1970 (National Board of Pensions) $500.00
Total $603.63

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Check book balance as of May 26, 1971 $369.88
Bank statement balance as of April 30, 1971 $369.05

Edwin O. Bissell, Treasurer
2751 Broadway Ave.
Slayton, Minnesota 56172
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Pursuant to "The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church 1968" (paragraphs 1519 and 1521) and in accordance with the "Agreement of Union and Articles of Incorporation of Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church" (pages 361-365 of the 1969 Official Journal and Yearbook) and of the "By-Laws of the Board of Trustees Minnesota Annual Conference" (page 381 of the 1969 Official Journal and Yearbook), the Board of Trustees has conscientiously endeavored to execute all responsibilities delegated to its administration.

During the year of 1970, the Board of Trustees met on the following dates: January 20, March 10, May 19, June 24, September 16 and November 12.

The function of the Board of Trustees, as directors of the corporation, is essentially two-fold: (1) to hold and manage real and personal estate owned by the corporation and (2) to receive and hold in trust all donations, bequests and devises of any kind or character, real or personal, that may be given, devised, bequeathed or conveyed to the Annual Conference and administer all such property and funds on behalf of the conference corporation.

PROPERTY

The Board of Trustees, at the close of 1970, was maintaining responsibility for 16 residences, plus mission, shrine and camp property. Mortgage payments, maintenance and improvements were provided for the properties to the extent of the demand and the available budgeted funds.

In January, the Board met with Rev. Donald Germain, Associate Program Director, to work out the procedure necessary to transfer the titles of the various separate camp properties to the Board of Trustees, Minnesota Annual Conference, in compliance with the first sentence of the first paragraph of Part II of "A Plan for the Administration of Camping" as recorded on page 411 of the 1969 Official Journal and Yearbook. Our Attorney was instructed to develop the necessary legal instrument for the uniform transfer of titles. The implementation of the transfers of titles was delegated to Mr. Germain.

The following resolution was adopted on March 10, 1970: "Resolved that the action of the Bethany United Methodist Church, Rochester, Minnesota, extending for five years the due date of the 5% debenture bonds in the principal amount of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000.00), originally issued by the Minnesota Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, the primary liability for the re-payment of which was assumed by said Bethany United Methodist Church by agreement date August 24, 1969, and the giving of written notice to the holders of said 5% bonds, be authorized, ratified and confirmed."

A residence for the Program Director, located at 2735 Scott Avenue, Minneapolis, was purchased in June, 1970.

The Finnish Mission Parsonage, 224 Second Street, N. E., Chisholm, was deeded to the Board of Trustees of the United Methodist Church of Chisholm in June to be used or disposed of at the discretion of the Board for the benefit of the local church.

The 7128 Lyndale Avenue South, Richfield, property was sold in July, 1970.

The Central District Parsonage at Litchfield was extensively renovated during the summer and fall.

During the summer a survey was completed of our property in the Nett Lake Indian Reservation. Two acres had been sold on contract for deed to
Donald and Margaret Hackey, and the remaining 28 acres were deeded to the Bois Forte Indian Band of the Nett Lake Reservation.
The 425 Schletty Lane, St. Paul Property, was occupied as of November, 1970, as the Metropolitan East District Parsonage.
At the close of the year, the 1927 Simpson Avenue, St. Paul, property was in the process of being sold, with finalization taking place in early 1971.
On the basis of a study of the current mill rates in the respective communities where conference-owned property is held, the Board of Trustees projected and reported to the 1969 Annual Conference that it would cost about $23,500.00 on a non-homestead basis to place conference-owned properties on the tax rolls. In compliance with a request by the 1970 Annual Conference, the Board of Trustees updates this estimate to be about $30,000.00.
In compliance with the referral for study made at the 1970 Annual Conference in regard to housing allowance to ministers in lieu of a church-owned parsonage, the Board of Trustees decided that no further guidelines are needed at this time. (See page 47, 1970 Official Journal and Yearbook.)

THE HELEN H. BENNETT MEMORIAL FUND

During the year of 1970, the following disbursements were made:
$1,545.00 toward the support of a retired lay employee of the Conference;
$600.00 toward the support of a minister in a retirement situation; and
$200.00 toward the funeral expenses of a widow of a United Methodist Minister.

FINANCES

The Conference Treasurer, Miss Betty Jean Foster, serves as treasurer of the Conference Corporation. A full report of the corporation assets will be presented at Annual Conference and subsequently printed in the Conference Journal. In summary, as of December 31, 1970, the total permanent trust funds and real assets of the Corporation were $2,056,079.12. The Corporation liabilities, mostly in the nature of mortgages on residences, camp property and promissory notes to the National Board of Missions, stand at $954,698.17. Property and fund equities amount to $1,101,380.95.

INSURANCE

All properties of the Annual Conference have been updated during this year in their valuation for the purpose of adequate insurance coverage.

INSURANCE AVAILABLE TO THE LOCAL CHURCHES

(1) The Board of Trustees, working with Bachman-Anderson, Inc., developed a special policy for insuring Conference Property.
The program provides mandatory coverage on: Real & Personal Property, Comprehensive General Liability, Non-Owned Auto, Blanket Crime, Workmen's Compensation. Optional coverage is available on: Contents of Parsonage, Owned Automobiles, Fine Arts and Glass.
Most of the Conference Properties have been insured under this
program at a considerable savings in premium and improved coverage. There are ten churches currently taking advantage of the program.

The program is available to all churches and organizations that are a part of the Annual Conference. Contact Mr. Donald E. Maddaus, Bachman-Anderson, Inc., Pioneer Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55101 (phone: 612-227-8483).

(2) We also commend the attention of our churches and organizations to the Mutual Benefit Insurance Society which offers a Special Multi-Peril Church Policy (see pages 193-194 of the 1970 Official Journal and Yearbook). Some of our Conference Properties have been insured with this Society.

TRANSFER OF PERMANENT CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

In accordance with the resolution adopted by the 1970 Annual Conference (page 175 of the 1970 Official Journal and Yearbook) the assets of the Permanent Church Extension Fund of the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church were transferred to the Minnesota United Methodist Foundation on January 1, 1971.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the report of the Board of Trustees to the Corporate Session of the Annual Conference of 1970, as recorded in the Official Journal, be approved without reading and that the same be made a part of the permanent record of the corporate session.

2. That the conference secretary insert on page one of the 1971 Official Journal and Yearbook the legal name of the conference which is "Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church."

3. That the following recommendation, approved at the 1970 Annual Conference Corporate Session, but not printed in the 1970 Journal, be printed in the 1971 Journal for the purpose of legal record:

"WHEREAS, the church building formerly occupied by the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Le Center, Minnesota, is no longer required, and Whereas, said property is the property of the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church pursuant to action of the Minnesota Conference of the United Methodist Church (EUB) (1968 Record, page 111),

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the President and the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, successor to the Minnesota Conference of the United Methodist Church (EUB), are authorized and directed to execute a limited warranty deed conveying the following described property situated in Le Sueur County, Minnesota, to wit:

Lots Number 11 and 12 in Block Number 3 of Solberg's Addition to Le Sueur Center, Minnesota, according to Plat of said addition
on file and of record in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for said County and State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proceeds from said sale be administered pursuant to the recommendations of the Metropolitan South District Board of Church Location and Building."

4. That the Minnesota Lake United Methodist Church, Minnesota Lake, Minnesota, be discontinued (all provisions of The Book of Discipline 1968, paragraph 1550, regarding discontinuance having been met), and that the property be sold and that the proceeds be administered pursuant to the recommendation of the Southwest District Board of Church Location and Building. Legal description of the property is as follows:

Lots 11 & 12; Block 1; Kremer's Addition, Village of Minnesota Lake, Faribault County, Minnesota.

Perry H. Hultin, President

THE COMMISSION ON ARCHIVES AND HISTORY

We begin our report to the Annual Conference with words of gratitude to God and our many co-workers for the very fine record of work accomplished through our Commission on Archives and History throughout this conference year. Our commission has sponsored several work-days in which we moved libraries, archives, storage materials and furniture. We had one mid-year meeting of our commission on October 22, 1970. Our Executive Committee has held four meetings. Throughout the year, we have completed the plans made at our fall planning meeting; and we are pleased to report several of these achievements in this annual report.

1. At our last Annual Conference session, it was decided to add a Historical Society as a part of our on-going Commission of Archives and History program. The officers of the Commission will serve as officers of The Historical Society. This was done to give us a closer relationship to the local church history and records committee and the historian in each local church. This has already helped us in correspondence and in obtaining more contacts with the ministers and committee members in the local church.

2. In the fall of 1970, our Historical Library room was enlarged four feet by twelve feet. This extra four feet gives us a room twenty by twelve feet in size. This has made room for an additional seven by seven foot bookcase. Too, we were able to move our large archive cabinet to a new
room location, which has added greatly to the efficiency of our filing. Our four files were moved together, which contain local church archives and our conference depository materials. We added a second store room in the basement, which has made it possible to store many surplus materials and books. We need a map and picture file; and, some day, we hope to add this to our filing equipment. It is needed to preserve large pictures, maps, floor plans for buildings—churches, parsonages and our institutional buildings. Indeed, we are grateful for this additional room.

3. We are pleased to report many new historical books, which have been purchased and given to our Historical Library. We regret the passing of Dr. Clarence W. Rife, who served our organization as an officer and a consultant for many years. His funeral was held in The Hamline United Methodist Church on November 25, 1970, with the Rev. Ernest E. Lowe bringing a most comforting message and a fitting tribute to the rich life of this fine Christian layman, a former professor of history in Hamline University. A few weeks later, Mrs. Rife presented our Historical Library with some forty history books from Dr. Rife's fine library.

Earlier in the year, the Rev. George A. Butters gave our Historical Library forty historical books, which we deeply appreciate. Your executive secretary gave several helpful books of Methodist biography from his library to our Historical Library. One of the significant books purchased this year was a DIRECTORY OF AMERICAN MUSEUMS, which is invaluable in locating museums and their personnel. Related to our own museum program, we added a SHOW CASE to our equipment for displaying museum artifacts and historic museum pieces. “This Show Case was presented by our United Methodist Church Commission on Archives and History in honor of the Rev. Earl F. Baumhofer, D.D., in recognition of devoted service to The Minnesota Annual Conference and outstanding contributions to its Historical Society.” Dr. Baumhofer has likewise given our Historical Library many valuable books and did a grand job in binding and micro-filming many of our archival Annual Conference Year Books and Methodist Periodicals.

4. Our NEWSLETTER will have five issues this conference year. This instrument has been designed to make direct contacts with all levels of the Minnesota Conference United Methodist Church—conference, district and local church. It goes out with the monthly mailings to our pastors and designated laymen in each local church. In turn, it has brought many interesting inquiries and many constructive results throughout the year. All of this we appreciate very much.

5. DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES have been appointed from the membership personnel of our commission to our eight districts of the Annual Conference. They will assist the local church and district groups with closer contacts relative to our required commission responsibilities. They will work with our district superintendents in planning training institutes and in obtaining speakers for local church workshops.

6. Our commission polled its members regarding our total program at the fall meeting to learn needed information regarding the effectiveness of our program on the district and local church levels in particular, in what we named “AN INTEREST FINPER.” It proved to be very helpful in seeing places where our commission could improve its services. There was a unanimous response to this five page questionnaire, which further indicated a genuine loyalty on the part of our members to the commission in doing the things our church expects us to do. Again, we were most grateful for this loyalty.
7. Some fifteen autobiographies have been received from retired ministers during the conference year, which reveal full and fruitful lives of Christian service. We have a large number of these documents on hand, which we desire to bind into a book for safe-keeping. The original autobiography copies will be kept in our fire-resistant archival files. Ministers in our retired ranks, who have not written such an autobiography to date, are strongly urged here to write one. These are important in reference work in years ahead.

8. Histories of our Local Churches are still a premium request. So many churches in the Annual Conference do not have up-to-date histories. Here, again, these histories when kept up-to-date, are invaluable in reference work and studies made of individual churches, persons in the churches, church events and many other events of the church’s life and program. Dates are very important in any church history.

9. Our Commission on Archives and History is the official agency for our Annual Conference DEPOSITORY. Boards, commissions and agencies of the United Methodist Church are reminded again to bring in their records for safe keeping, especially the records of the former E.U.B. and Methodist Churches. We have a new church; and the old records should be placed in our Conference Depository without fail!

10. In the early fall of 1971, our Commission will sponsor District Training Institutes to assist local church pastors and local church history and records committees to better do their required work. Dr. John H. Ness, our national executive secretary, will be our resource leader for these training institutes. District Superintendents, pastors and church workers are expected to attend.

11. At the Annual Conference in Northfield this coming June, our commission will have a rotating projection of 2” by 2” colored slide pictures taken in Minnesota on the wall or screen in the St. Olaf College Field House Lobby, which will be shown throughout the day. Too, we have a portable SHOW CASE in which our commission will display historical artifacts and illustrate different United Methodist Church historical events. We have planned to designate a noon hour for our friends and members of the Annual Conference to eat together, to listen to a brief historical presentation and to see a few beautiful pictures. We are hopeful that a place will be made for the presentation of our Annual Report to the entire Annual Conference at the June Conference.

12. This coming summer, we plan to sponsor two historical tours — one starting from Hamline University in St. Paul; and the other one from our Hennepin Avenue Church in Minneapolis. The tours will cover many of our United Methodist historical sites and institutions of our beloved church. The tour will be made in Greyhound Buses and will be directed by Dr. Earl F. Baumhofer. Laymen and ministers alike are urged to take one of these informative tours. A real interest has been shown already. Fifty persons can ride in a bus and the tour will last four hours.

13. Our Commission has started a library of phonograph and tape recordings of church celebrations and events. When a local church has an anniversary, or when a District or the Annual Conference has significant events of importance, recordings of these programmed events should be made for historical reasons. It is hoped that local church, district and conference leaders will include recordings as a part of their preparation. We already have recordings of two uniting conferences, several excellent sermons and lectures related to church events. Our entire Annual Con-
ference can make valuable contributions to our historical program by entering into this plan immediately.

14. Our Commission has been working on a request idea of writing a History of The United Methodist Church in Minnesota to 1968. The antecedents of this great church will be included as a vital part of the history. Some progress has already been made in this project, for we have fifteen ministers and laymen committed to research and note-taking for the writing of a composite history. Our bishop, District Superintendents, Conference staff members, pastors and laymen will enter into this needed project with a genuine interest and with a dedicated desire to make this monumental work possible. This has been one of our major planning projects this year; and between now and January of 1972, we hope to make real strides in getting this history on its rightful way. We appeal to every member of our Annual Conference to lend a skillful hand in realizing the result we desire after three or four years of laboring together.

15. Our chairman of this commission, who served as librarian-historian of our former E. U. B. Church Historical Society, worked with his former commission in writing a brief history called: TEN LATER YEARS. The Rev. Roy S. Heitke not only wrote the history, but had it mimeographed and distributed to the members of the Annual Conference in 1969. I would like to add that the Rev. Mr. Heitke's volunteer efforts as a librarian-historian have produced some excellent records, for which our entire church is most grateful.

16. Another major project this past year has been the card indexing of the 1,500 volumes of books and the numerous archive items in our Historical Library. We have four four-drawer files that are filled to capacity that must be indexed. We have two basement storage rooms that are filled to capacity that must be indexed and put in such order that desired materials can be located for research and study purposes. Mrs. Dittes is assisting your executive secretary in doing this important and time-consuming job.

17. The Rev. Roy S. Heitke and yours truly will be delegates to the 1971 North Central Jurisdictional Conference for Archives and History in Jacksonville, Illinois, July 6-8, 1971. This is a conference planned for the training of old and new officers in Annual Conference Commissions of Archives and History; and at least two of our commission officers are required to attend. Last year, this Jurisdictional Conference was held in our own Hamline University in St. Paul, July 5-7. The resolutions committee of that conference expressed their gratitude for the excellent program our Minnesota Conference Commission planned and executed; for the excellent entertainment accommodations provided by Hamline University; and for the largest attendance ever for such an assembly. We are grateful again for this fine achievement.

18. HISTORICAL MARKERS were placed on “The Old Log Cabin Church and Parsonage” and “The HISTORIC RED ROCK”, which are located on our Newport Church property. A similar church marker was placed on the former E.U.B. “Old Salem Church Shrine” located in St. Paul about one quarter of a mile from our Salem United Methodist Church. This was the first church building erected by the Evangelical Association in Minnesota. A beautiful historical marker was placed on our Taylors Falls United Methodist church in Taylors Falls, which is the third oldest church building in continued service in our former Methodist church buildings. Bishop Paul A. Washburn was the honored guest-
preacher at the morning Communion Service, which was an introductory part of the Anniversary program. Your Executive Secretary was the guest-speaker for the afternoon historical service — their 110th Anniversary service. One week later, your Executive Secretary was the Sunday morning guest-preacher at the Monticello Anniversary in two services. This was their 115th anniversary of continued service in the same original church building. The Rev. Allen Flohr, District Superintendent, was their Saturday afternoon guest-speaker at a Historical Service. Significant at this program was their unusually large museum display, which occupied a large basement room in their new educational building.

19. One of the services rendered by our commission is a "REQUESTED SERVICE PROGRAM". Your Executive Secretary compiles lists of pastors for church anniversary programs; makes our archival records available to pastors and churches who come to the library for factual materials desired; does research for birth dates in old abandoned and discontinued churches to be used by government agencies for military and Social Security reasons. In the past conference year, we have assisted our bishop’s office in complying with their research requests. We have likewise helped our treasurer with archival materials for research she has had to do. We have completed forty-two requests in this requested service program to persons and local churches. This is often regarded as one of our most important services, for often church records are the only source that persons can turn to for a required identity from our government and industrial institutions. Again, we are grateful we can render this important service.

20. The Commission on Archives and History is a vital arm of the church, which was given a commission rank at the 1968 General Conference with seven pages of described responsibilities for the general, conference, district and local church levels. This is found in paragraphs 1400 through 1412 in The Book of the Discipline for 1968. History furnishes the background and a lot of factual materials for any significant change with the church; and, again, that is why history is written, preserved and interpreted by historians as an important part of our united desire "to make history".

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we as a conference place the responsibility of studying historical sites and landmarks in our United Methodist Church upon The Commission on Archives and History and that the proper approval can be given to churches and institutions for appropriate Historical Markers, which are furnished and paid for by the Commission.

2. That we ask our commission to continue their research and study of Local Church Histories; and that this commission encourage the local church to keep their histories up-to-date at all times.

3. That we continue to encourage our retired brethren to write their own autobiographies for our historical library and archives. These autobiographies are used often for research and study.

4. That our United Methodist Churches use our Commission representatives, who have been appointed to serve in the district where they reside to be of service to our churches in matters regarding historical needs. They are prepared to give this service.
5. That our Commission continue to bind copies of our Annual Conference Year Books, our church periodicals, autobiographies, anniversary programs and other important church records for historical purposes. We invite each local church to send us anniversary bulletins, church-parish papers, pictures and other helpful archival materials.

6. That we continue the employment of our part-time librarian-historian, the Rev. Orval Clay Dittes, D.D., and as the executive secretary for the leadership responsibilities of your Annual Conference Commission on Archives and History.

7. That we as the United Methodist Church learn to be “history minded”. Indeed, such a trained mind is essential to any progress our church can and will make. All of this is related to the building of the Kingdom of God under His guidance and the guidance of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Rev. Orval Clay Dittes, Executive Secretary

CAPITAL FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT AND FINANCE COMMISSION

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20 open
Conference released from
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a. Prior to terms of guar. (8) 460,000
b. Upon completion of guar. terms (4) 155,000
Total 32 $2,903,650

*New in 1970

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

As provided in paragraph D, section VII, of the bylaws of the Commission, we ask the Conference to approve the ceiling on the amount which the Commission may borrow, loan or guarantee at $4,500,000 for the year ending 1972.

A. L. Pope, chairman
COMMISSION ON COMMUNICATIONS

If you communicate we will understand your thought or idea in the manner in which you see it. We may agree or disagree — but we will know what you mean.

This is the business of the communications commission to bring to the conference and the general public the messages of the people and groups within the conference.

This commission acts in both direct and indirect ways. Indirectly, by such projects as the AV library which we catalog, maintain and update. Assistance is given in the preparation of radio and TV spots as well as guidance and training to those doing on air programming. News releases and special public relations projects also fall within our role. And, we are beginning to acquaint ourselves with the possibilities in person to person communication.

However, it is in the direct exchange of ideas that we are most anxious to serve. The media to be used should be that of a conference newspaper. Conference members are in need of more knowledge of conference projects, plans, work and the use of their funds. We feel it is particularly important that they receive this information regularly. And soon.

Wally Green, Chairman

REFERENCE from COMMISSION ON COMMUNICATIONS

TO: Legislative Committees No. 17 (Communications) and No. 13 (Budget and Apportionments)

SUBJECT: Conference Newspaper

RECOMMENDATION:
That the Minnesota Annual Conference publish a newspaper to be distributed to every United Methodist family unit in the Conference, beginning in 1972. It is further recommended that an additional $18,000 be added to the conference budget and that the communications committee be authorized to raise additional funds by voluntary giving to meet the expense of the newspaper and a computer mailing system for distribution of the paper.

BACKGROUND:
At present the Minnesota Conference communication piece having the largest circulation is MINN-E-MEMO. This one page newsletter is distributed to 7,000 United Methodist ministers and lay people in positions of leadership in the local church as a supplement to the district newsletters. This very small amount of information reaches 10,000 fewer family units than the now defunct Together Area News Edition did.

Purpose of a publication with distribution to every family unit would be to broaden the communication base of understanding of what churches, individuals, and conference boards and agencies are doing to fulfill their Christian mission; and to provide a platform (through letters to the editor) for dialogue on issues important to United Methodists in Minnesota.
The use of pictures, dialogues, and human interest and organizational reporting would increase interest in the church and its life.

Because of the present financial situation, the conference Council on Ministries took the following action: "Motion adopted that the Council on Ministries approve and endorse without budgetary support the establishment of a conference newspaper." This motion was adopted after visits in local churches revealed the need for more and better communication. (See third and fourth paragraphs from the bottom of page 2 of the Conference Program and Report.)

The Commissions of Stewardship and Finance and of Lay Life and Work of the Conference Board of Laity at the October 17, 1970 meeting "passed a resolution that the Board of Laity state that we are in favor of the newspaper to each family in the Conference as proposed in the Communications Commission of the Conference to be recommended to the Board of Laity."

At the annual meeting of the Board of Laity, November 21, 1970, it was "moved by Warren Shultz that the Board of the Laity support the action of the October 17 meeting in favor of a Conference newspaper and that the action of this Board be presented to the Annual Conference. Seconded by Zimmerli. Motion carried."

On Saturday, April 24, 1971, the Men's Congress meeting in full business session passed the following resolution: "that the Men's Congress support the recommendation to Annual Conference for a Conference Newspaper."

There is in the 1971 Conference budget for the Communications Committee $5,000 being held for setting up the computer system.

The computer mailing system could fill some other needs, such as other conference mailings to ministers, lay leaders, WSCS presidents, etc. In addition, if the information is made available when the system is set up, local churches may make use of the system for their own membership mailings. The churches would pay their own fees for use of the system, but the original feeding in of information would be included in the cost.

The $18,000 being asked would be 12.93 cents per member.
## CONFERENCE NEWSPAPER BUDGET

### Printing

- 60,000 copies, 4 page tabloid on Rotanews paper: $9,400
- 10 issues at $940 per issue
  (Includes composition, printing, single-spot color, individual addressing, and drayage to post office)
- Printer's picture cost: $850
- **Total printing cost**: $10,250

### Editorial

- Consultant: $1,600
- Photography: $1,000
- **Total editorial cost**: $2,600

### Distribution

- Postage: $9,600
- Return postage for keeping up mailing: $600
  (estimated 10 percent return)
- Quarterly check of computer lists: $1,200
- Maintenance of lists (names in and out): $1,750
- **Total distribution cost**: $13,150

**TOTAL**: $26,000
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I. The Ecumenical Affairs Commission should encourage awareness and understanding of ecumenism at all levels by dialogue, through Councils of Churches, and in the process of unions of churches. It should stimulate studies, plan programs, cooperate in special ecumenical endeavors, and encourage conversation and fellowship with members of other Christian Churches. It calls for a cooperative relationship with all members of the Churches.

A. Eight Aims are listed in the “Guidelines for Ecumenical Affairs” which is a resource system for the Local Church Council on Ministries. They are:

1. To manifest more fully the oneness we have in Jesus Christ.
2. To demonstrate Christian Unity and Mission in specific ways.
3. To reexamine and restructure our own individual denominations and churches organization in the light of ecumenical requirements.
4. To understand the entering into specific organic unions from a new vantage point as opportunity rather than as a threat.
5. To prevent self-defeating competition and conflict.
6. To cooperate with churches and church related organizations in everything we can do together.
7. To cooperate in all forms of ecumenism.
8. To be drawn closer together as Christians in love and insight and understanding.

B. Our Ecumenical task is three fold in Kind:
   (a) Conciliar — between councils
   (b) Churchly — Consultation on Church Union
   (c) Community — Our missional responsibility in action functions and programs.

II. The Commission met in October, January and May for part of Friday through Saturday morning sessions to conduct business and study. Bishop Washburn presented his interpretation of our responsibilities and suggested we include a study of the Wesleyan Tradition. Dr. Chester Pennington presented this as a study in January and, Rev. Charles Purdham led in a workshop on C.O.C.U. Our May study will include the “Guidelines for Ecumenical Affairs”. We are aware of and desire to meet the needs of the individual members in the local churches.

III. Recommendations from the Commission are as follows:

(a) Commission to keep its operating budget within $1,200.00 for 1972.

(b) That we continue support to the Minnesota Council of Churches by requesting the Budget and Finance Commission to approve the Council’s 24¢ per member designation. Further that $1,500.00 of the remaining 20¢ per member designation be allocated for the Twin Ports Ministry. By so doing, we
extend our approval of the work of the Minnesota Council of Churches and urge the United Methodist members to also give their support to the Councils at their local level.

Mrs. Arthur O. Hoistad, Chairman

COMMISSION ON MINIMUM SALARIES AND MUTUAL AID

In order to allow churches an opportunity to catch up to the minimum salary schedule for 1971, and in view of the fact that the economy of the country shows signs of leveling off, we propose no changes in the minimum salary schedule for 1972. The proposed base salary for 1972 would be $6,400. (For more details concerning the schedule, consult pages 371-3 of the 1969 Official Journal and Yearbook).

COMMISSION ON ENLISTMENT FOR CHURCH OCCUPATIONS

Our ministry during 1970 included the Vocational Involvement Program in which four college youth participated. Greater emphasis was placed on church involvement and less on camp counseling. We continued a major thrust to High School youth by mailing more than 700 copies of “Church Occupations and Voluntary Service” to vocational counselors in the High Schools of Minnesota. We provided the booklets and they were distributed by the office of the State Board of Education. Other copies of this booklet and a companion publication, “Invest Yourself”, were made available to pastors, camps and institutes through our Conference Office.

Ministry to college campuses in Minnesota has been continued as we provide the “Job Data Book” to thirteen campus chaplains. This includes a monthly updating of information related to specific positions available. One of our members, Chaplain Fred Atkinson, surveyed the campus workers who receive this service and found it being used regularly as a resource in vocational counseling.

In planning for 1972 our Vocational Involvement Program was re-evaluated and it was decided that this current year, 1971, will terminate the program. Our reasons are two: (1) we question a program that involves so much expenditure of time, administration and money and reaches such a small number of persons; (2) continued rising costs and more limited budgets continue to reduce the number of “VIPs” we can enlist. This year we limited the program to three students and another year it might have been necessary to go to two. We have changed our emphasis in an attempt to reach larger numbers of youth.
DISTRICT RALLIES - beginning this fall. We expect to hold in each District, the week-end of Sept. 17-19, a program with emphasis to High School youth on church occupations. Three Districts have already made plans. Hopefully this will be a cooperative effort involving the:

- District Secretary of Church Occupations
- District Superintendent
- District Board of the Ministry
- District United Methodist Youth Fellowship

We feel there is need to move away from specific programming at the Conference level which reaches only a small, selected number of youth - rather to move closer to the local churches within the Districts. Hopefully local churches will become more involved in enlistment through their local Enlistment Secretaries, pastors and youth counselors. By programming at the District level we seek to bring this to pass.

The ministry through High School vocational counselors and college chaplains will continue, as will availability of materials for local churches and camps.

Clair Dwight Siple, chairman

COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE

1. The report on the audit of the conference treasurer's books was received from Larson Allen Weisher and Company CPA's and placed on file.

2. The salary of each conference employee who is a minister under appointment does include an allowance for utilities of $1200 in lieu of payment of utilities.

3. All statutory reports required of this commission, including the recommended budget, are included in the reports of the conference treasurer. The conference treasurer's report is hereby made a part of the reports of this commission as is the report on Christian Service Fund Computations.

4. For the year 1972 the following shall be authorized to appeal for funds:
   - Goodwill Industries; Southwest Minnesota State College Area for Campus Religious Center Building;
   - the Vocational Internship Program; Decision Hills;
   - the Lakeview Methodist Home, Fairmont;
   - the Paul Watkins Memorial Methodist Home, Winona;
   - the Wesley Foundations;
   - Kingswood Camp;
   - Northern Pines Camp;
   - the Hamline Development Fund;
   - Camphor Church;
   - and the Conference Commission on Archives and History.

5. The Christian Service Fund shall be distributed to the individual churches on the basis of:
   a. $22.00 per member,
   b. less 10 percent of the churches' total 1971 budgeted staff salaries,
   c. provided the maximum limit shall be 108 percent of the churches 1971 amount per member.
   d. no church shall be assigned a per member share of less than $13.00,
   e. no church shall be assigned a per member share of more than $21.00,
   f. no church shall be assigned a per member share less than that of 1971, except as provided in (e).
This formula limits the increases in per member shares to 8 percent, and the total per member share to not more than $21.00 nor less than $13.00. It limits decreases to the level of $21.00 and provides up to a 10 percent credit on the church's 1971 total budgeted staff cash salaries.

6. The budget for 1972 is presented to this Conference showing a recommended increase of 1.3 percent in total. General church items which are Disciplinary are computed according to formulae defined by General Conference action have increased $34,535. Items which are computed according to formulae dictated to us by prior Annual Conference action have increased $62,054.

Items which are under the control of the Commission on World Service and Finance and/or the Conference Council on Ministries have decreased $69,921.

7. We wish to point out some inconsistencies between the Discipline as adopted by General Conference of 1968 and various actions of this Conference:

A.
1. The Discipline provides that the entire amount of the askings for World Service shall be apportioned to the churches and that local churches shall have an option to accept or not accept the World Service asking.
2. The Discipline provides that the Conference Treasurer will remit a percentage of all benevolence giving to the treasurer in Evanston based on the percentage that the World Service asking bears to Conference benevolences.

The result of these provisions is that if a church should elect not to pay the optional World Service asking, whatever they do not pay is made up from the giving of other churches who do pay benevolences.

B.
This Conference has elected in all past years to accept the total World Service asking as a conference item and we have paid it in full. About 50 percent of our budget is made up of mandatory items that must be paid in full. The result now is that all non-payments of World Service askings and non-payments of mandatory items are absorbed by our annual Conference Program.
WORKSHEET FOR CHRISTIAN SERVICE FUND SHARE

The data needed to compute the Christian Service Fund share for your church, using the formula in 5 above, is printed on the accompanying pages. The references on the blanks to be filled in below, are to the columns containing the data needed, as follows:

(A) Budgeted Staff Salaries
(B) Membership
(D) Full Share on Formula x Membership
(E) Maximum Per Member (108% x 1971 Per Member)
(F) Total 1972 Christian Service Fund Share
(J) 1971 Per Member
(K) Full Share on Formula Per Member

District ______________________
Church Name ___________________
Church Number _________________

Per Member $22.00

a. $22.00 per member
b. less 10% x \( (A) \) \(\frac{(A)}{(B)}\) \( (B) \)
   Full Share on Formula, per member, before \( (K) \) limitations are applied (below).

c. Maximum limit is 108\% x \( (J) \)
d. Not less than 13.00
e. Not more than 21.00
f. Not less than ________ (J)

Therefore, the condition ________(a less b, or c, or d, or e, or f) applies.

Compute your Christian Service Fund Share
\[ \frac{(J)}{\text{Membership}} = \frac{(F)}{\text{Per Member}} \]
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| Burnsville-River Hills       | 7,725             | 402      |
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**Total:** $282,573 $14,692
COMMISSION ON WORSHIP

Among the functions and purposes of the Conference Commission on Worship are the following:

a. To stimulate the interests and concerns of worship within the bounds of the Conference.

b. To gather and make available the best resources for worship for our churches throughout the Conference.

c. To explore ways in which we can look at what we are doing, stimulate creativity and review worship guidelines.

Our Commission has worked at these objectives by providing Lenten Workshops in Mankato and Little Falls in January and February of 1970. Further efforts in reaching these goals is the Convocation on Worship planned for April 19th and 20th at First United Methodist Church in St. Cloud. This opportunity for all Pastors, local church commission chairmen and chairmen of the Council on Ministries and other laymen will offer tremendous help in the field of worship.

Commission members are diligently working on a revision of the Worship Manual. In the very near future this revised manual will be available.

Also members of the Commission are working on a supplement to the Anthology which was previously made available.

It is recommended by the Commission that in 1972 we carry out a program designed for each district of the Conference. This would be done with considerable help and guidance from the District Representatives on the Conference Commission. We feel this is one of the ways our Commission can be more helpful to the local church and bring greater stimulus to the local Church Commission on Worship.

Our Commission also attempts to offer assistance and give encouragement to the Children’s Music Camp and the Minister’s Chorus.

Lowell A. Reinking, Chairman

COMMITTEE ON MOVING

The moving of the household goods of our ministers and widows shall be under the supervision of the Committee on Moving, elected by the Annual Conference for the quadrennium. The committee shall consist of seven members, including one district superintendent named by the Cabinet, with the remaining members to be divided equally between laymen and ministers. The Annual Conference shall elect the chairman, who shall be the director of moving.

Procedures and policies shall be as follows:

1. The conference shall, on recommendation of the Committee on Moving, employ one moving company, associated with a nation-wide carrier, to schedule and move ministers’ household goods, in consultation with the director of moving and the Cabinet. (Mover for 1971 is Metcalf Storage & Van Co.)
2. The conference shall pay 100% of the moving expenses of ministers and widows. The conference shall be billed directly and anything over the limitations stated below will be billed to the pastor, who in turn shall pay this amount to the conference treasurer, except that for moves outside the State of Minnesota the Conference shall be liable for up to $1000.00 only, the remainder being the responsibility of the person being moved, to be paid (in cash or certified check) at the time of delivery directly to Moving Company. (C.O.D.)

LIMITATIONS:

a. MAXIMUM WEIGHT: 12,000 pounds

b. LIMIT FOR PACKAGE AND WARDROBE SERVICE: $50.00

c. MAXIMUM FOR MOVES WITHIN THE METROPOLITAN AREA SHALL BE: $450.00. Any amount beyond this figure shall be the responsibility of persons being moved.

d. FOR MINISTERS COMING DIRECTLY FROM SEMINARY, the maximum weight for which moving expenses will be paid shall be 7,000 pounds.

e. FOR RETIRED MINISTERS, AND WIDOWS OF MINISTERS WHO HAVE DIED WHILE IN ACTIVE MINISTERIAL SERVICE, the conference shall pay the total moving expense, for one move only, except that the maximum claim allowed for such moves shall not exceed $1,000.

f. PAYMENT SHALL NOT COVER storage, servicing of appliances, warehousing, handling in and out of warehouse or storage insurance for any move.

g. Payment for ONE EXTRA PICKUP will be allowed in situations where pastor's study is located other than at the parsonage.

h. When a minister in effective relation is appointed to a ONE-YEAR SABBATICAL LEAVE, his household moving expenses shall be paid to and from the place of his sabbatical appointment, upon his return for an appointment in the Minnesota Conference, provided that the maximum claim allowable for these moves shall not exceed $1,000.

i. FOR MINISTERS COMING FROM OUTSIDE THE CONFERENCE for appointment within the Minnesota Conference, the maximum claim shall not exceed $1,000.

j. ADJUSTMENTS in moving policy and expense may be made upon recommendation of the Cabinet and the Committee on Moving.

3. The Mutual Benefit Insurance Society shall act as the insurance company for insuring ministers' household goods while they are being moved. (Amount of Policy $7,500 per move — in addition to the sixty cents per pound insurance carried by mover).

Harold W. Zart, Chairman
POLICY, STRUCTURE AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE

The Policy, Structure and Strategy Committee has also served as the Planning and Research Committee of the Conference Program Council, at the Council's request.

During the past year, two items have been referred to this committee. The Annual Conference asked that the projected study by Willson Associates, Inc. of the Commission and Board structure of the conference organization be carried out, and the project was referred to the committee. The Conference Program Council asked that its role be studied, particularly at the point of how it should function as a "Conference Council on Ministries," and that was referred to the committee.

In response to these requests the committee has launched an investigation which is as yet unfinished. We have been in correspondence with other annual conferences which have encountered similar problems, and to the plan of one conference — The Rocky Mountain — we have given prolonged study. It may be possible for us to have a preliminary report ready by our annual conference meeting.

The plan we are tentatively projecting stresses lay participation, the locating of program responsibilities in the districts, and a de-centralization, resulting in diminished importance of conference boards and agencies. The membership of the program council is re-constituted to relate it to the districts, and it functions as a Council on Ministries.

William Law, Chairman

QUADRENNIAL EMPHASIS COMMITTEE

(Reconciliation Fund)

In recognition of the agonies, divisions and hurts of the world, the 1968 General Conference asked United Methodist people to search their hearts and pocketbooks and to come up with $20,000,000 over a four-year period to be used for reconciliation work. The Minnesota Conference, in response to this priority asking, established a committee of laymen and clergy who have been meeting regularly since October, 1968. Our task has been to interpret reconciliation needs, to receive the gifts of money from individuals and churches, and to make the hard decisions about where to place that money to effect reconciliation between persons and groups.

People are divided because of age, economics, theology, race, politics, geography, education and value systems. We don't hear one another because our communication is poor and because we are self-centered. Dividing walls are being built every day in every community in which any of us lives. Reconcilers will seek to dismantle those walls, or to build bridges over them. Too many of us, when asked about reconciliation needs or experiences in our home churches express the feeling that "we don't have that problem."

Perhaps we need to return with deeper searching to the Sermon on the Mount, the scriptural foundation for this whole emphasis.

No matter how people have been hurt by society, no matter in what bizarre ways they lash out at those who hurt them, no matter how criminal we consider their acts, there is not one who is not a child of God. There is not one who is outside the concern and care of the Christian Church as it seeks to be a reconciler in a broken world.
Those who have served on this committee over the past years have been hearing the cries of the hurt ones clearly, and we have tried to respond to them with integrity and compassion. Our major frustration has been in trying to match inadequate funds with mountains of need.

About half the national goal of $20,000,000 has been raised. For Minnesota Conference we set a goal of $500,000, which would have been exceeded if each United Methodist had pledged $1 for each year of the quadrennium. With one year remaining we have raised $165,519.50.

But we must not despair, and we do not. We rejoice that these dollars, which would not have been used for reconciliation if this fund had not existed, have produced exciting results, both in our state and in projects across the nation.

The following projects have been funded (in whole or in part) by our Minnesota half of the money raised in our conference:

**American Indian Movement** ($5,000) to help provide a housing specialist to work with helping Indian people find adequate housing in the Twin City area.

**House of the Sojourner** ($1,100) an experiment in ghetto living for middle class white families. Funds were used for training opportunities for participants and for insurance and utilities on the house.

**PUMP, Project for the Underprivileged and to Motivate People** ($10,000) provided a person to work with poverty level families, helping them to find ways of relating to government agencies and the community in general. This was located in Northwest District, covering a five-county economically depressed and sparsely populated area.

**Project Blacktop** ($2,850) an inner city summer recreation program sponsored by Park Avenue Church in Minneapolis.

**Oakland Avenue Community** ($4,500) a drop-in recreation and counseling center for youth in a changing neighborhood, sponsored by Oakland Avenue Church, Minneapolis, and staffed with seminary students.

**Ecumenical Minorities History Seminar** ($175) a study of American Indian history undertaken by an ecumenical group in Princeton, Minnesota.

**Communi-Action Program** ($3,000) the much-publicized Lenten ecumenical program of study and action, an attitude changing experience, undertaken in St. Paul and Minneapolis.

**People's Cooperative Grocery Store** ($10,000) a cooperative store established to meet the needs of the black residents on the north side of Minneapolis.

**Twin Ports Ministry to Seamen** ($1,500) an interdenominational ministry to seamen in the Duluth-Superior harbor, with involvement of the local churches.

**Youth Service Project** ($1,700) a program of education for social studies teachers (Minneapolis) in the field of social change.

**Calvary Day Care Center** ($8,000) a day care center designed to free the mothers to seek employment or education to prepare for employment, north Minneapolis.

**Sioux Trails Project** at New Ulm ($5,000) a creative approach to dealing with the juvenile delinquent, in which the community assumes responsibility for rehabilitation, keeping them in the community in homes staffed by trained personnel, and involving community participants.

**Project Migrant Resettlement** ($1,500) work with Mexican Americans in St.
Paul, helping them get located, find jobs, housing, and with the number of legal problems that meet newcomers to the state—driver's licenses, for example.

Home - a place to go when nothing else is open ($900) a drop-in center for young adults living in the near-downtown section of Minneapolis. The center is housed in the basement of the Loring-Nicollet Neighborhood Center.

Mississippi Voter Registration ($1,000) college students from Minnesota went to Mississippi during their Easter break to assist in getting voters out to register. The money was used to pay part of the transportation costs.

Indian Community Organization ($1,000) a drawing together of divergent Indian groups by Indians in Minneapolis to create an organization that will train and support their own people for community action and decision making.

In addition to the above projects, we are supporting persons (United Methodist Voluntary Service) in the following amounts and programs:

- **$150 monthly** (for one year) subsistence for a "patient's advocate" working in the West St. Paul Community Health Center with Mexican American people. Language is a real barrier.
- **$200 monthly** (for one year) subsistence for a full time worker in the Women's Counseling Service in Minneapolis.
- **$200 monthly** (for one year) subsistence for a worker with Mexican American students at the University.
- **$50 monthly** (for one year) supplemental funding for a worker in the New City Family Revival, a program for pre-school children from poverty level families in south Minneapolis. This person is partially funded by the national Fund for Reconciliation.

We have tried to put Fund for Reconciliation money in "risk" places - into projects that might have difficulty finding backing from conventional sources. We believe that if change is to be made, those who believe in Christ's way will dare to risk in order to give change and reconciliation a chance. We have had to say "no" to many projects and "we can't give you all you ask for" to almost all, but there were none who came with project presentations who did not merit our help and prayerful support.

We strongly urge those who have done nothing about the Reconciliation Fund, or who have done nothing since 1969, or those who have done too little, to seriously consider the importance of being reconcilers in this torn and bleeding and angry world. Your gifts can still be of tremendous value and importance.

-- Kathleen Haining, Secretary Quadrennial Emphasis Committee

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON CAMPHOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Guidelines for raising Building Fund Gifts

**ASSIGNMENT:**

A. Set a $ goal
B. Set a deadline for obtaining goal
C. Recommendations for release of funds raised
A. Goal - $100,000
To be raised thru:
1. Appeals to and covenants with interested persons
2. Covenants with interested churches and other organizations
3. Projections for operating budget for the next quadrenium.

B. Deadlines:
1st - September 30th - $50,000 - progress goal
2nd - January 1st - $100,000 - action goal (GO!)

C. Recommendations for release of funds raised
1. Recommend appointment of a committee by the Bishop and chaired by him to raise and administer funds during campaign.
2. Recommend that all gifts and pledges be made out to Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church for the Camphor United Methodist Church.
3. Recommend solicitation of both cash gifts and pledges to be paid by December 1972 (or in 1973).
4. Funds to be released to Camphor U.M. Church:
   a) When Action Goal is reached
   b) When loan has been secured and total funding is assured (on or before January 1, 1973).

D. Recommendation
Approval of these guidelines and request of Bishop Washburn to chair committee appointed by him.

Respectfully submitted,
John C. Espie, Chairman
Conference Special Committee for Camphor

WORK SHEET

| Estimated Cost of Building          | $260,000 |
| Conference Pledged Funds (Church Extension) | 96,000  |
|                                      | $164,000 |
| Camphor Building Funds              | 7,000    |
|                                      | $157,000 |
| Guaranteed Mortgage Loan           | 40,000   |
|                                      | $117,000 |
| Actual & Tentative Church Commitments plus Requests for Builders Appeal (St. Paul-Metropolitan East) | 20,000 |
| Total                               | $ 97,000 |
| Goal for Special Appeal             | $100,000 |
WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Entering the '70's has found the WSCS responding to the phrase found in the WSCS and WSG PURPOSE: "to increase their knowledge of the concerns and responsibilities of the church in the world."

The School of Christian Mission held June 29-July 2, 1970 was the basis for year round studies and programs in the local societies which continually strive to meet the challenges and responsibilities, awareness and concern for people in this country as well as overseas. 267 women and 40 youth with a faculty of 9 shared in this school whose theme was "The Word" which reflected the three studies: "The Americas", "How The Word Gets Around" and "Psalms."

Twenty-one Conference officers, District Presidents and District Guild Chairmen attended the North Central Jurisdiction Society/Guild meeting in Chicago on October 2-3-4, 1970 when Dr. Cynthia Wedel, first woman President of the National Council of Churches charged us with the responsibility of being "Women of Today" (not yesterday or tomorrow)!

With this inspiration we have moved into a new calendar year as directed by the Women's Division, of program, finance and officer responsibility for the Local Society and Guild, recognizing the change as a valuable asset in furthering our PURPOSE as well as realizing the advantage of uniformity within the local church structure.

We continually seek to effectively witness and serve as Christians. Our Pledge to Missions to the Board of Missions this past year totalled $221,000. $12,500 of this sum was given in support of the Emma Norton Residence. In addition $3,000 was given in scholarship aid to three persons in religious education. Countless Local Societies are involved in local community projects or sponsor projects such as Day Care Centers, Nursery Programs etc. as an outreach of their responsibility in the Mission of the church.

"Discovery-Decision", theme of the 1971 annual meeting held May 11, 1971 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Mankato found 800 women stimulated by their involvement in determining a simulated Board of Missions' challenging task. To preface this Stephen Brimigion, Treasurer of the National Division of the Board of Missions gave an address. A final summation of the day's involvement was a discussion between Mr. Brimigion and Bishop Paul Washburn, who is also a member of the National Division of the Board of Missions.

The new emblem of the WSCS is based on the scripture II Timothy 1:6. Further on in this same chapter of II Timothy these words are found: "for the spirit that God gave us is no craven spirit, but one to inspire strength, love and self-discipline. Keep before you an outline of His sound teachings, living by the faith and love which are ours in Christ Jesus." This is what 28,000 members of the Women's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild are challenged to do as we continue to be an integral part of the church in the '70's!

Mrs. Alan B. Larson, Conference President

Report of the MUTUAL BENEFIT INSURANCE SOCIETY
for the 1971 Annual Member's Meeting to be held
on Monday, June 7, 1971 at 10:00 a.m.

"The plans of the mind belong to Man, but the answer of the tongue is from the Lord. All the ways of a man are pure in his own eyes, but the Lord weighs

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the Spirit. Commit your works to the Lord, and your plans will be established.”
Proverbs, 10: 1,2,3

Mutual Benefit Insurance Society has had a good growth for the year 1970, the Annual Treasurer’s report showed total receipts of premiums of $10,673.18, compared to the total receipts of premiums for 1969 of $7,714.90. With interest earning, etc. there was a total added to reserves of $10,172.16. The total of our reserves as of December 31, 1970 was $132,571.73. A total of loss claims paid in the year 1970 was $820.59.

We certainly want to commend the Ministers and the Congregations for whom we carry insurance, for their fine job of taking care of their property and holding our loss claims down to a minimum. However, we do want our Policy Holders to report all losses. We are ready, willing, and able to pay all losses covered under our Broad Hazard Coverage.

The Secretary’s annual report lists the following:

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During the year 1970 we have improved our financial standing by an increase in reserves. We have written six new policies with a total insurance coverage of $280,700.00. We are now offering the Special Multi-Peril Church policy for all congregations that qualify. We also have the “Comprehensive General Liability Policy” for the congregations where the risk does not warrant the Special Multi-Peril Policy. The Secretary can write the Workmen’s Compensation Insurance for congregations that cannot secure it locally. We have the “Comprehensive Personal Liability” insurance coverage for Ministers. For further information on this, see or write the Secretary.

The Directors have voted to adjust the Insurance rate of premium for Personal Property, Homes and Parsonages, Cottages, etc. to the rate which has been in effect for these properties the last four years of the policy term. This means that the first year premium will be no larger than the last four years. The Directors have removed the ceiling of $40,000.00, which has been in effect on Parsonages and Homes. However, our retention before reinsurance on Churches remains the same-$20,000.00.

The Board of Directors are looking forward to a bright future for MUTUAL BENEFIT INSURANCE SOCIETY

B. C. Siewert, President
501 4th Avenue N.E.
Waseca, Minnesota 56093

R. E. Wordelman, Secretary
633 Lyndale Avenue North
Spring Valley, Minn. 55975
Members of the Board of Directors as of December 31, 1970 are:
Class of 1971 - Rev. R. E. Marks, Rev. Harold Kraft, Mr. A. N. Kleinhuizen
Class of 1972 - Rev. H. F. Cook, Rev. B. C. Siewert, Mr. R. E. Wordelman

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President - Rev. B. C. Siewert
Vice-President - Mr. A. N. Kleinhuizen
Secretary - Mr. R. E. Wordelman
Treasurer - Rev. R. E. Marks

MUTUAL BENEFIT INSURANCE SOCIETY
1970 Treasurer's Report

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| Disbursements -   |        |          |          |
| Claims paid       | 876.40  | 1,933.88 | 820.59   |
| Board Meetings    | 232.73  | 217.49   | 101.10   |
| President's Compensation | 25.00  | 25.00    | 25.00    |
| Treasurer's Compensation | 150.00 | 150.00   | 150.00   |
| Secretary's Compensation | 300.00 | 300.00   | 300.00   |
| Secretary's Commissions | 309.60 | 572.51   |          |
| Mileage - Telephone | 238.16   |          |          |
| Re-insurance premiums | 490.65 | 2,289.35 |          |
| Bank Charges      | 20.45   | 10.95    | 10.35    |
| Postage           | 238.87  | 268.87   | 41.00    |
| Printing and Supplies | 75.19   | 61.19    |          |
| Refunds           | 36.85   | 64.00    |          |
| Audit             |         |          | 25.00    |
| Premium overpayment refund | 40.00 |          |          |
| Loan overpayment refund | 19.30 |          |          |
| **Total Disbursements** | $2,353.40 | $4,409.75 | $4,460.09 |
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**INSURANCE COVERAGE**

**available from MUTUAL BENEFIT INSURANCE SOCIETY**

**ARTICLE V. Insurable Property (Quoted from the Constitution)**

This Society may insure only the following property: Churches and Parsonages of the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, including all buildings used in connection therewith; bulletin boards and signs; audio-visual equipment; household goods, cottages and homes of its Ministers', Minister's Widows, or Ministers' who have sustained a direct Conference relation because of Official position; and all real and personal property owned by the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church and its auxiliaries.

The Minnesota Standard Fire Insurance policy form shall be used with specific hazard coverages as follows:

1. **Fire and Lightning.**

2. **Extended coverage, specifically stated:**
   - Windstorm, Tornado, Hail, Riot, Civil commotion, Vehicle, Aircraft, Explosion, Smoke, Falling objects, Vandalism and Malicious mischief, Weight of ice-snow-sleet (not roof leakage), Accidental water damage (not overflow or flood), Collaps of building, Glass breakage (limited to $500.00 per occurrence), and Property theft (except money).

3. **Money theft - Optional with additional premium.**
A Special Multi-Peril Church Policy with contributing insurance coverage by Preferred Risk Mutual Insurance Company of Des Moines, Iowa.

**Coverage 1.** Hazard coverages the same as above under 1,2,3, plus a number of extended property coverages.

**Coverages 2.** Comprehensive General Liability and Medical Payments; Bodily injury and property damages; Physical damage to property of others, regardless of liability; Nonowned auto Liability and medical payments; Hired car and buses Liability and medical payments. Products consumed on and off premises. Coverage for- Premises and operations-Volunteer maintenance & construction worker. New construction, structural alterations.

**Blanket Fidelity Bond** for Church Officials, $1000.00.

*Optional but highly recommended*- Personal Liability of Clergy and Family.

We have now available through Mutual Benefit Insurance Society's office but written by Preferred Risk Mutual Insurance Company the following coverages:

- Institutional Comprehensive General Liability and Medical Payments. Coverages the same as under Coverage II of the Special Multi-Peril Church policy, but excluding the Fidelity bond coverage. (This policy is used where a Multi-Peril policy does not qualify).
- Workmen's Compensation Insurance coverage as required by the Minnesota Workmen's compensation laws.
- Personal Liability and Medical Payment coverage for the Clergy and family.

In most cases our premiums are less and coverages broader than our competitors. There are no deductibles for windstorm and hail, we pay losses from the first dollar on up.

We do ask the help of the Ministers and the Church laymen to secure underwriting information, so that it is not necessary for the Secretary to visit the Property to secure this information. This is one of the main reasons our premium rates are very competitive. If interested write to the Secretary.

R. E. Wordelman, Secretary
633 Lyndale Ave. N.
Spring Valley Minn. 55975
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**The Minnesota Council of Churches**

*Looking Ahead Ecumenically*

During 1970 ecumenicity in Minnesota moved forward along three fronts.

The most significant development was the creation on July 21 of the Minnesota Study Committee for Christian Cooperation (MSCCC). The Committee, chaired by Dr. Arthur S. Flemming, President of Macalester College, is made up of about 25 judicatory heads of the denominations belonging to the Minnesota Council of Churches (MCC), the state's Roman Catholic dioceses, the non-MCC Lutheran bodies, and other Protestant representatives.

The Committee has met several times since July to exchange views and
explore possible ways by which a more inclusive ecumenical agency could be created for Minnesota. While the MSGCC shows no signs of being ready to discuss possible organizational patterns for the future, good rapport and a strong sense of mutual trust are being developed among its members.

The SECOND major development was the formation of the Joint Religious Legislative Committee (JRLC). Made up of representatives from the Minnesota Council of Churches, the Minnesota Catholic Conference and the Minnesota Rabbinical Association, this is probably the most inclusive religious legislative coalition to be developed in any state in the nation. Its three-fold program of research, study, and action is designed to translate the moral and ethical concerns of our religious bodies into legislative realities.

More than 65 experts worked over many months to produce more than 15 position papers on agricultural workers, alcohol and drug abuse, consumer affairs, criminal justice, ecology, education, family life (including sex education and divorce reform), housing, human rights, Indians, legalized gambling, peace-war, senior citizens, taxation and welfare. More than 100 recommendations growing out of these studies are being presented to the 1971 Minnesota State Legislature. Legislative action units totaling some 500 persons in 75 Minnesota communities are cooperating with the JRLC Coordinator, Patrick Marx, in carrying out its objectives. In addition, some 60 University of Minnesota students are cooperating with the Committee as part of their class assignments.

A THIRD major development is related to other ecumenical coalition-sponsored and jointly-financed projects. In addition to JRLC, the following are especially noteworthy:

A. A cooperative arrangement with the Northern Minnesota District of the American Lutheran Church to jointly call a full-time Coordinator and Consultant for Indian Work in northern Minnesota. Mr. Donald F. Bibeau, Chippewa Indian from Ball Club, was selected to fill this position beginning June 15, 1970. His office is located in Cass Lake.

B. The creation of Churches United for Mexicanos (CUM). Bringing together the MCC denominations, the state's Catholic dioceses, and other non-MCC Lutheran bodies, the purpose of this coalition is to encourage Mexican-American leadership, not only in helping to meet the needs of the state's Mexican-background migrant workers, but also in providing the necessary job-training and education for the increasing number of Mexican-Americans who are electing to relocate in Minnesota and develop a non-migratory way of life. This rather inclusive ecumenical coalition seeks to support the efforts toward greater cultural identification and self-determination now taking place among Mexican-American peoples.

C. The Minnesota Vacation Visits Program now co-sponsored by Council and Catholic sources, will be known as the Minnesota Friendship Visits Program in 1971. While most of the 600 black, Indian, and white children and youth who spent 10 days in an inter-cultural visit with more than 350 host families throughout the state did so during the summer vacation days of 1970, a number are also involved in year round visits and a growing number of “reverse” visits are also taking place.

The inclusiveness of these coalitional operations is indicated by the fact that while the formal membership of the denominations belonging to the Council total only 36.2% of Minnesota's religious population, the percentage of the state's religious population cooperating in these coalitional operations is now 93.5%.

The Council's 1970 ecumenical ministry has also been marked by these developments:
1. The important work done in the field of planning and research, particularly in Twin Cities studies, Jonathan, Todd-Ottertail-Wadena (TOW) counties study, and the new Tri-State Interfaith Development Enterprise (TIDE).

2. The numerous radio and television broadcasts including the 6-part series for parents and teachers, “Discovering To Grow,” carried on all of the state’s educational TV stations in the spring, and repeated in the fall of 1970.

3. Responsibility for promoting “King - Montgomery to Memphis,” the 3-hour film on the life of Martin Luther King, Jr. in the nation-wide Mar. 24 showing, attended by some 4,000 persons in Minnesota who contributed more than $21,000 toward a 3½ million fund to continue the work started by Dr. King.

4. The continued expansion and services of the Council’s Audio-Visual library which filled requests from local Protestant and Catholic churches throughout the state totaling nearly 6,000 items.

5. Responsibility for the efficient management and economical operation of the Minnesota Church Center used by some 25,000 persons annually, continuing to make it literally a “spiritual nerve center” for much of Minnesota church life.

6. The continuance of the state-wide Ecumenical Youth Encounter and the Minnesota State Pastors’ Conference in new formats which have provided meaningful experiences in relevant ecumenical encounters.

7. Explorations to bring about the objective study of religion in Minnesota’s public schools.

8. Participation, after two years of operation, in the evaluation of the Twin Cities Metropolitan Church Commission involving cooperative relationships with the Greater Minneapolis and the St. Paul Area Councils of Churches.

9. Recommendations to the denominations for special financial support for the Twin Ports Ministry to Seamen and a state-wide Draft and Military Counseling Service.

Your Conference has been ably represented on the Council’s Board of Directors by Bishop Paul A. Washburn; Mr. Leonard P. Harkness, immediate past-president; the Rev. Kenneth O. Beck, Chairman of the Department of Christian Social Relations; the Rev. Ray Boehlke; Rev. Bruce Buller; Dr. Arthur S. Flemming; Mr. Richard P. Hoffmann; and Mrs. Arthur O. Hoistad.

We are deeply appreciative of your Conference’s financial support, but it is with deep pain that we must report the necessity of curtailing some services because of reduced income.

As we take the long look ahead ecumenically, the future pathways are not clearly discernible. But of two things we can be very sure: God wills a greater unity for his people, and in that unity, he wills a greater service to meet the desperate human needs of our day. Let us continue to work together to meet that challenge!

Alton M. Motter, Executive Director
MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS

1. RESOLUTION CONCERNING CONFERENCE STAFF

BE IT RESOLVED:
That there be no additions to the Conference staff during the 1971-1972 Conference year;
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:
That the number of Conference Program Staff be reduced by one, effective not later than the beginning of the 1972-1973 Conference year.

I move that these resolutions be referred to the Legislative Committee on Budget and Apportionments.

Ref: Legislative Committee No. 13

2. RESOLUTION CONCERNING CONFERENCE STAFF

BE IT RESOLVED:
- That conference staff be held at the number now employed.
- That no additions to the staff be made during the ensuing conference year.
- That a staff vacancy occurring during the conference year not be filled.
- That the staff be reduced by one beginning with the 1972-73 conference year if no full-time vacancies occur prior to that time.

Ref: Legislative Committee No. 13

3. RESOLUTION CONCERNING RUST COLLEGE AND HAMLINE UNIVERSITY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:
1. The amount for Rust College be set at $45,000 (as in 1971) and that this be included in the regular 1972 Conference budget, rather than in a list of Conference Advance Special Challenge Giving.
2. The budget for Hamline University to be $47,250, of which the first $20,000 shall be for Minority Students' Scholarships. $25,000 for Hamline University to be on the Conference Advance Special Challenge Giving list.

Ref: Legislative Committee No. 5 and No. 13

4. RESOLUTION: DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

Be it resolved that the Council on Ministries determine the budget amount that each Board and Agency receives but the Board or Agency then determines the distribution of the funds granted to it.

(Addition to Item f., p. 376, Plan and Basis of Union, 1969 Journal)

Ref: Legislative Committee No. 13

5. RESOLUTION: POLICY ACTIONS OF WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE, COUNCIL ON MINISTRIES AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Be it resolved that all policy actions of the World Service and Finance and the Council on Ministries and its Executive Committee for the previous
conference year be presented to the Annual Conference for approval and ratification.
Ref: Legislative Committee No. 13

6. RESOLUTION: CHALLENGE GIVING
   Be it resolved that all things listed in the challenge giving category be called Conference Advance Specials and that they be administered by the appropriate agency.
Ref: Legislative Committee No. 8

7. RESOLUTION: MINIMUM SALARY SCHEDULE
   Be it resolved that the minimum salary schedule for 1972 be established on the basis of a 5 percent increase in the $6,400.00 figure (i.e., $320.00 increase).
Ref: Legislative Committee No. 16

8. REQUEST: RESTORATION OF GRANT-EMMANUEL CHURCH
   Emmanuel Church, Minneapolis, is asking the Conference to restore the modest grant of $500.00, included in the 1971 budget, but dropped from the 1972 budget. The pastor and congregation of this inner city church feel this is just, in view of the thousands that are being given to other inner city works in the city of Minneapolis.
Ref: Legislative Committee No. 6

9. RESOLUTION: CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLE'S CHURCH
   The annual conference renew its full support of the People's Church by adopting it's budget request for the remainder of 1971 of $10,510 and the calendar year of 1972 of $22,020.
Ref: Legislative Committee No. 6

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE NO. 1 - ECUMENICAL AFFAIRS
Recommendation No. 1, Item III (a) page 195 was adopted.

Recommendation No. 2, Item III (b) page 195 was amended and adopted as follows:
   That we continue support to the Minnesota Council of Churches by accepting the Budget and Finance Commission proposal (Page 17-18 of the Proposed Program-Budget Worksheet) of $29,440 totally, of which $27,940 will go to Core budget and $1,500 to Twin Ports Ministry, and that 4 cents per member be designated as funds for Indian work. This amount to be taken from the total Proposed Program Budget worksheet as is the $1,500 for the Twin Ports Ministry.
COMMITTEE NO. 2 - EDUCATION-CAMPING

Recommendation No. 1 page 158, I. C. Campsite study was approved and amended by adding:

The study should include a survey of public and private facilities other than those owned by the United Methodist Church as related to possible program usage by the conference program of camping. Cost of the study is recommended from yet unallocated camp facilities development funds of 1971.

The Legislative Committee concurs in the recommended amount of $39,900 for development, and program and expense items of $4,950 and $2,260.

COMMITTEE NO. 3 - HIGHER EDUCATION

Recommendation No. 1, Challenge Giving page 158, Higher Education. Adopted with the following amendment:

That all local United Ministries in Higher Education work be designated for Challenge Giving.

Recommendation No. 2, Rust College page 158, Rust College. Adopted with the following amendment:

That all race relations offerings collected within the Minnesota Conference be designated for Rust College rather than the 12 Black College divisions of these funds.

Recommendation No. 3, Higher Education page 158, Approved.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE NO. 4 - EDUCATION-LOCAL CHURCH


LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE NO. 5 - EVANGELISM

Recommendations, page 159

1 Lay Witness Mission. Amended to read: Promote the Lay Witness Missions for our churches. Adopted.


3 "Key "73" Adopted.

4 Convocation. Amended to read: Encourage participation in the Ministers' and spouses' Convocation, and recommend that lay people of the local churches try to make it possible for the ministers and their wives to attend.

5 Summer Assembly. Amended to read: “Endorse the Summer Assembly which is held the first full week in July at Lake Koronis Assembly Grounds”.

Committee No. 6 - Missions-Metropolitan (page 222)

Recommendation No. 1, Restoration of $500 budget item to Emmanuel Church. The following action is the approved substitute for the committee report:

"It is recommended that we look with favor upon the request and move its careful consideration by the Section on Urban Ministries of the Board of Missions in its 1972 allocation."

Recommendation No. 2, Support for Peoples Church. Amended and approved as follows:

July-December 1971 1972

Present Board of Missions Commitment $8,250 $15,500

NEED.....Program 4,360

.....Minister 6,150

Total 18,760 15,500

Committee No. 7 - Missions-Smaller Communities (page 173)

Recommendation No. 1, Nett Lake Residue. Amended and approved as follows:

That all the monies remaining in the Nett Lake Fund, as they become available, be earmarked for the Onamia-Vineland Communities, for their inter-racial work, to be disbursed upon recommendation of the Board of Missions.

Recommendation No. 2, Guidelines for Aid and Funding Requests. Amended and approved as follows:

A We endorse the idea of greater coordination of funding of projects and churches, when conference monies are involved, and encourage the Conference Council on Ministries to set up proper procedures to achieve this end, and to report their plan to the 1972 Annual Conference.

B We also encourage the Conference Council on Ministries to make available, to local churches, information on the possible sources of non-church funds.

Recommendation No. 3, Minutes of the Smaller Communities Department.

That the minutes of the Smaller Communities Department be accepted and placed on file with the Board of Missions and the Conference Council on Ministries.

Committee No. 8 - Missions-World

Recommendation No. 1, Concurrence with the proposal on the sheet entitled "Advance Special and Challenge Giving." (page 174)

Recommendation No. 2, Concerning the motion by Carl Caskey that it be resolved that all things listed in the challenge giving category be called Conference Advance Specials and that they be administered by the appropriate agency, the Committee voted Non-Concurrence. (page 222)
Recommendation No. 3, Regarding the proposal page entitled "CHALLENGE GIVING" that each Administrative Board establish a Challenge Giving goal equal to 10 percent of its Christian Service Fund Share, the Committee voted Non-Concurrence. (page 168)

Recommendation No. 4, Regarding the request that the minutes of the Department of Education and Cultivation be reviewed for clarity and completeness and be recommended for file with the Board of Missions and the Conference Council on Ministries and the request that the minutes of the Board of Missions and its Executive Committee be reviewed for clarity and completeness and be recommended for file with the Board of Missions and the Conference Council on Ministries, the Committee passed a substitute motion to receive the above mentioned minutes without review. (page 176)

The Conference adopted the report.

COMMITTEE NO. 9 - SOCIAL CONCERNS-GENERAL WELFARE

Recommendation No. 1, No Strike law for Teachers. (page 155)

Be it resolved that the Legislature repeal the no-strike law for teachers.
Adopted.

Recommendation No. 2, Compulsory Binding Arbitration. (page 155)

Be it resolved that if the law is not repealed, compulsory binding arbitration be instituted. Adopted.

Recommendation No. 3, Abortion Law. (page 155)

Be it resolved that the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church urges the Minnesota Legislature to enact a law which provides that the decision to terminate pregnancy be made by the woman after undergoing counseling so that she might become fully aware of the physical, psychological, and spiritual aspects of such an act. And be it further resolved that the law provide that termination of pregnancy be conducted only by a licensed medical practitioner. Adopted.

COMMITTEE NO. 10 - SOCIAL CONCERNS-HUMAN WELFARE

Recommendation No. 1, Rights of Homosexuals page 150. Adopted.


Recommendation No. 3, Education page 152. Adopted.

Recommendation No. 4, Ecology page 152. Amended and adopted as follows:

Let us seek to relate our contemporary life style, within the understanding we have of the limits of our resources, to the values implicit in Christ's teachings. Christ said, "... Beware of all covetousness; for a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions" (Luke 12:15). This kind of realization must be made specific in the demands we put on such basic resources as electricity, transportation systems, and so forth. Of all men, we are a society which glories in its abundance of possessions. We find that we cannot survive ecologically or spiritually with such values. Man, as a God-
created being, does not own the earth. Mankind's happiness, prosperity or survival is not of ultimate concern. Rather, "the Earth is the Lord's, and all its fullness," and man, as tenant upon God's earth, having been given dominion over all the things of the earth, has also been given the responsibility to give as much consideration to the rights of non-human life and the preservation of natural resources as he does to his own. Let us begin to increase our evaluation of human life to such a point that we do not bring life into the world unless we have a clear understanding that resources will be available to sustain that life with at least minimum dignity. This calls for, in other words, a carefully thought through population policy. Generally, we must re-examine our policy on income tax deductions for children other than those adopted, the granting of aid to foreign nations which refuse to curb population, and the establishment of family planning clinics in those areas which need them.

Recommendation No. 5, Public Aid to Parochial Schools page 153. We recommend the following substitute resolution:

The United Methodist Conference of Minnesota goes on record as recommending that the State legislature undertake an in-depth study of public aid to parochial schools prior to any further increases in such aid. It is further recommended that this study include, but not necessarily be confined to, the following areas:
1 Public funds presently available to parochial education from all government sources.
2 The actual holdings and resources of those agencies and institutions offering parochial education.
3 The kind of tax exemptions and special privileges that these holdings and resources presently enjoy.
4 The value of curriculum and program resources already available to and being used by parochial schools which are provided by public education.

We further recommend that the Conference Board of Christian Social Concerns be instructed to submit copies of the above resolution to Gov. Anderson, to Senate and House majority and minority leaders, and to chairman of Senate and House Tax Committees. Adopted.

Recommendation No. 6, Individual Liberty & Army Surveillance.

United Methodists are called upon to defend with all their vigor their constitutional rights and responsibilities. This includes the freedom of speech, freedom of assembly and civilian control of the military. Adopted.

COMMITTEE NO. 11 - SOCIAL CONCERNS — WORLD PEACE

Recommendation No. 1, State of the War Message page 149

Because we judge our present military involvement in Indo-China as immoral, we believe we need a reordering of priorities—that economic aid should be given rather than military aid to the countries of Indo-China; that we start immediate and total military and paramilitary withdrawal from Indo-China, hopefully, bringing about the release of the prisoners of war; and that we support legislation (SF 376 and HF 4100) setting a withdrawal deadline by December 31, 1971. Adopted.
Recommendation No. 2, Priorities page 150
We believe the ordering of priorities, replacing military aid with economic aid, should mark United States foreign policy world wide. Adopted.

Recommendation No. 3, Palestinian Refugee Problem page page 149
Background: Inasmuch as the political situation in the Middle East is so complex, yet is causing so much grief to so many people, we are concerned that the best interests of all parties directly involved be furthered by peaceful means.

In particular, we are concerned about the Palestinian Refugee problem.

Resolution: That the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church urges its Board of Christian Social Concerns to communicate as effectively as it knows how, to all known agents of change, its concern that all negotiations on Middle East peace and arms support be done through the United Nations, thus enabling the discontinuance of the arms race involving outside powers.

Be it further resolved, it is urged that all congregations in the Conference receive an offering for Palestinian refugees in 1971, to be disbursed by the Conference Treasurer through M.C.O.R. Adopted.

Recommendation No. 4, The Right To Know page 150 Adopted.

COMMITTEE NO. 12 - STEWARDSHIP EDUCATION
Recommendation No. 1, Program Proposals-Board of Laity-1972 page 163 Adopted.

COMMITTEE NO. 13 - BUDGET AND APPORTIONMENT
Recommendation No. 1, Remittance of Receipts

Recommendation No. 2, Possible Deficits in 1971 page 55 and paragraph 123 Order of the Day-of minutes.

Recommendation No. 3, Number of Districts. See Paragraph 26 of minutes.

Recommendation No. 4, Conference Staff page 221
1 That conference staff be held at the number now employed.

2 That no additions to the staff be made during the ensuing conference year. Adopted.

Recommendation No. 5, Reduction of Conference Staff
1 That the staff be reduced by one beginning with the 1972-1973 conference year if no full time vacancies occur prior to that time.

2 That a conference staff vacancy occurring during the conference year not be filled by hiring a replacement. (Conference staff means those employed by the Council on Ministries). Adopted.
Recommendation No. 6, Revised Budgets—page 141 No. 4 Approved.

Recommendation No. 7, Communications—page 191 Tabled.


Recommendation No. 9, Rust College and Hamline University. See minutes, para. 134.

Recommendation No. 10, Policy actions—page 221 was not approved.

Recommendation No. 11, Reinstatement of Draft Counselling and Minnesota Council on Alcohol Problems—page 155 was not approved.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE NO. 14—CONFERENCE PROPERTIES

Recommendation No. 1, Income from Permanent Church Extension Funds. that we decline the petition and further we reaffirm the prerogative and responsibility of the Minnesota United Methodist Foundation to invest these funds as they determine and endorse in principal investment to allow both for capital growth and yet maintain a continuous reasonable return for Church Extension purposes. Adopted. page 177

Recommendation No. 2, Capital Facilities Borrowing—page 190 Approved.

Recommendation No. 3, Board of Trustees—page 183 Approved.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE NO. 15—HEALTH AND WELFARE MINISTRIES

Recommendation No. 1, Golden Cross Objectives—page 161 that the Conference Board of Health & Welfare Ministries develop informational and promotional material on Golden Cross objectives and accomplishments. Adopted.

Recommendation No. 2, Golden Cross Sunday—that Golden Cross Sunday be the first Sunday in May, or another time designated by the local church, with an offering to be taken to be used among the Health and Welfare institutions for needy persons. Adopted.

COMMITTEE NO. 16—MINISTRY AND ENLISTMENT

Recommendation No. 1, Minimum Salary—page 196

Be it resolved that the minimum salary schedule for 1972 be established on the basis of a 5 percent increase in the $6,400.00 figure (i.e., $320 increase). The Recommendation was not approved.

Recommendation No. 2, Sponsorship of the Career Development Center—page 165

1. Basic information about the Career Development Center

1 The purpose of the Career Development Center is to provide professional guidance and counseling for professional church workers and candidates for church related occupations.
2 The Board of Ministry shall be the agency providing appropriate responsible relationship to the Career Development Center on behalf of the Annual Conference.

3 Renumber 2. to 3., 3. to 4., and 4. to 5. The Recommendation was adopted.

COMMITTEE NO. 17 - COMMUNICATIONS
Recommendation No. 1, Conference Newspaper Substitute for the Committee recommendation.

The communications of United Methodist news and information continue to be distributed from staff communication persons through the conference mailing in local church papers. Adopted.

COMMITTEE NO. 18 - WORSHIP
Recommendation No. 1, Worship Workshop page 208 Approved.

COMMITTEE NO. 19 - ARCHIVES AND HISTORY
Recommendation No. 1, Recommendations of the Board page 188

That recommendations 1,2,3,4,5 and 7 remain as written. Approved.

Recommendation No. 2, History of Minnesota United Methodism

That recommendation No. 6 in report read as follows:

We recommend the support in principal of the writing of an up-to-date History of Minnesota Methodism to include all antecedents of the Minnesota Conference of the United Methodist Church with publication target date of 1975. Approved.

Recommendation No. 3, Area Training Conferences be added as No. 8

We recommend that five area training conferences; under the leadership of Dr. John Ness, Archivist for the denomination, be held September 19-24 for the purpose of assisting members of local church History & Record Committees.

To be referred back to the Commission as it should be a part of the Commission report.

COMMITTEE NO. 20 - BOARD OF THE LAITY
Recommendation No. 1, Duties of the Conference Director of Stewardship page 141

The Board of Laity legislative committee concurs with the Conference Council on Ministries in recommending that the present duties of the Conference Director of Stewardship be redirected to a full time person in the area of Lay Life and Work and Stewardship and Finance, and working under the Council on Ministries, and that the work presently being done by John Espie for the Board of Trustees be arranged for by one or more of the present Program Staff members. Approved.

Recommendation No. 2, Program Proposals of the Board of Laity for 1972, page 162

The Board of Laity legislative committee concurs with the Program Proposals of the Board of Laity for 1972. Approved.
# Conference Treasurer’s Report to the

## MINNESOTA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

For the year ending December 31, 1970

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### ASSETS

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1 Stock at Market Value at December 31, 1970.

2 Intra-account balances not included in Total Conference totals.

3 1970 Christian Service Fund Shares, received in the period from January 11, 1971 through March 31, 1971, were set up as a receivable.

4 The Real Property Assets are recorded at cost, according to figures supplied by the Board of Trustees, instead of at current appraised value.
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## MINISTERIAL SUPPORT AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

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### III. WORLD SERVICE & CONFERENCE MINISTRIES (Benevolences)

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#### B. Conference Benevolences

1. **Program Administration:**
   - Annual Conference Council on Ministries
     - **a. Staff support**
       - 1) Salaries: 52,295
       - 2) Fringe Benefits: 4,080
       - 3) Housing & Travel allowances: 12,000
       - 4) Expenses: 5,000
     - **b. Proportionate share of business office budget:** 63,950
   - **Sub-total:** 118,234

2. **Program Interpretation:**
   - Annual Conf. on Ministries
     - **a. Committee on Communications**
       - 1) Executive Committee: 5,250
       - 2) Age Level & Fam. Life Councils: 874
     - **Sub-total:** 5,250

3. **Annual Conference Projects:**
   - **a. Institute for Continuing Education (training):** 98
   - **b. Christian Social Concerns**
     - 1) Annual Conf. Projects:
       - Conference Workshops: 700
       - Ecumenical Draft Counseling: 320
       - Legislative Newsletter: 1,000
       - U. N. & Washington Seminar: 135
     - **Sub-total:** 2,185

   - 2) Contrib to Auton. Agencies:
     - Plymouth Youth Center: 945
     - Mnns. Council Alcohol Problems: 4,750
     - **Total:** 10,415

#### TOTAL PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION AND INTERPRETATION

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#### Annual Conf. Program Agencies

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3) Board expense                            | 2,850 | 1,374 | 1,400 | 1,300|

Total                                        | 15,500 | 13,391| 12,000| 11,000|

f. Missions

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2) Education & Cultivation

| Promotion expense                            | 2,185 | 1,537 | 2,000 | 1,600 |
| Section expense                              | 1,220 | 841   | 950   | 950   |
| Total                                        | 3,405 | 2,378 | 2,950 | 2,550 |

3) Smaller Communities

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### Commission on Archives & History

1. **Conference Project:**
   - History of United Methodist Church in Minnesota
   - Contributions: $3,240
   - Commission expense: $3,240
   - Total: $6,480

### Commission on Capital Facilities Development & Finance

1. **Contributions to Autonomous Agencies:**
   - Minnesota Council of Churches:
     - Core Budget: $35,000
     - Twin Ports Ministry: $1,500
   - Committee expense: $1,650
   - Total: $36,650

### Committee on Ecumenical Affairs

1. **Contributions to Autonomous Agencies:**
   - Committee expense: $3,000
   - Total: $3,000

### Committee on Enlistment for Church Occupations

1. **Conference Programs:**
   - Voluntary Involvement: $1,500
   - Task Group Projects: $175
   - Total: $1,675

### Commission on Worship

1. **Conference Programs:**
   - Ministers' Chorus: $150
   - Music Camp: $100
   - Training Workshops: $250
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Footnotes:

1. Jurisdictional Conference: The apportionment figures from the Jurisdictional Conference for the newly merged Minnesota Annual Conference were not available until 1970. In 1969, therefore, the Conference budgeted $1,666 more than was disbursed, and in 1970 we disbursed $709 more than was budgeted.

2. Contingencies:
   - District Superintendent's Counselling Committee: $360
   - General Conference Delegates Expense: $996

3. These Benevolence items with unpaid balances have first claim on late payments of 1970 Christian Service Fund Shares.

4. These Benevolence items with unpaid balances have second claim on late payments of 1970 Christian Service Fund Shares.

5. The People's Church: This seeming over-payment is the result of the 1970 Annual Conference action guaranteeing the People's Church a total of $33,500 for the 1970/71 program year.

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MINNESOTA ANNUAL CONFERENCE  

Dated: March 17, 1971  

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## Minnesota Conference Pensions, Inc. (Permanent Funds)

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**Total Credits:** $3,667,403.88

**Total Balance:** $109,871.96

## Disbursements

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**Total Receipts:** $858,231.64

**Total Disbursements:** $852,090.23

**Total Interest at 6 percent to 12-31-70:** $845,830.23

**Total Balance:** $12,401.41

**Total Additional Payments:** $2,617.00
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**THE BOARD OF PENSIONS OF THE METHODIST CHURCH INCORPORATED IN ILLINOIS**

By: Donald McKee
REPORTS OF:

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HAROLD A. CLARK, Statistician
Caledonia, Minnesota

and

CONFERENCE TREASURER
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BETTY JEAN FOSTER, Treasurer
122 W. Franklin Avenue
Minneapolis, Minnesota
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Additional Notes:
- The above data is based on a recent census conducted by the federal government.
- Data includes all households and their respective numbers of occupants.
- The average home size is calculated by dividing the total number of occupants by the number of homes.
- The average number of persons per household is calculated by dividing the total number of persons by the number of families.

Source: Census Bureau, Government of the United States

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VII. MEMOIRS

CHARLES HAMILTON HAWN IV

Charles Hamilton Hawn IV was born November 28, 1923 at Braddyville, Iowa to Rev. and Mrs. Woodworth L. Hawn. He graduated from high school at Van Meter, Iowa, received his B.A. degree from Simpson College, attended Garrett Theological Seminary for one year and earned his B.D. from Eden Theological Seminary, St. Louis, Mo.

He enlisted in the army during his sophomore year in college and served about four years during W.W. II.

He was united in marriage at Denver, Colorado, July 30, 1945 to June Belle Mond and five children were born to them, Walter, Barbara, Raymond, Ginger, and Richard.

Charles was received into the Iowa-Des Moines Conference of the Methodist Church and ordained Elder in 1954; He had the distinction of being the fifth generation of fully ordained Methodist ministers of the Hawn family to serve charges in Iowa, previously serving four years in the Illinois Conference.

In 1960 he transferred to the Minnesota Conference, serving the Nashwauk-Pengilly charge. In 1962 he was appointed to the Warren charge, but it was discovered that he was suffering from Cushing's disease, and he spent more than a year in Veteran's Hospital in Minneapolis. Because of the severity of this illness Brother Hawn could no longer serve a charge. He requested supernumerary relationship in 1964 which was continued until his death.

He moved his family to Wyoming, entered the University of Wyoming to become certified as a teacher, and taught a small class on the elementary level in Rawlins, Wyoming, until his death.

Charles had served as a chaplain in the army reserves from which he was given a medical discharge in 1963; He rendered service to his country, and as a Methodist minister sought to serve his Lord. Those who served with him could not have known the difficulties he faced nor the handicaps he carried. These he was set free from through death at Rawlins, Wyoming, July 30, 1970. In all he was a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

Memorial services were held at Shellrock, Iowa on August 4, 1970 and interment was at the Riverside Cemetery at Shellrock.

FRED W. HEDTKE

Fred W. Hedtke, son of Mr. and Mrs. August Hedtke, was born October 16, 1880 at Henderson, Minnesota. He attended elementary school and high school there and then attended the University of Minnesota.

In 1909 he was married to Violet Burk at Duluth, Minnesota.

During World War I he was a minute man, selling war bonds. During his pastorate at Renville, he served as a scout leader. He was also a mason.

He was ordained a deacon in 1916 and an elder in 1920. During his ministry he served the following appointments: Cleveland, Washburn, Bethel, Hettinger Ct., Roseau, Perham, Ada, Browns Valley, Raymond, Renville and Delano. He retired in 1950.
Following his retirement, he lived in Jackson, Minnesota. During this time he worked in the Bingham Lake Church for five years. He professed interest in smaller churches where he could be involved in a "personal" ministry to each member of the congregation. It is said that in Jackson the congregation regarded him as a kind of patron saint.

He is survived by his wife, Violet, and one son, Ruel Hedtke, who reside in Jackson, Minnesota.

He passed from this life on December 5, 1970. The funeral services were held December 8th at the United Methodist Church in Jackson with burial there in Riverside Cemetery. The pastor, Rev. Peter G. Law, officiated at the funeral service.

OSCAR S. MONSON

Oscar S. Monson, son of Daniel and Molly Monson, was born Feb. 11, 1901 in Fillmore County near Cherry Grove. Oscar received his first formal education at Cherry Grove Elementary School. Later he went on to attend Chicago Evangelistic Institute now Vennard College.

On Sept. 22, 1925 he was united in marriage to Laura Waelde at Detroit, Minn.

When the Reverend Mr. Monson entered the former Evangelical Conference, he was accepted with several others without a formal education. He was one of the last so received. Within a few years college and seminary were required.

Upon entering the Conference in 1924 he served the E.U.B. Churches at Luverne (Steen & Pleasant View). He went on to serve Appleton (Madison, Correll & Fairfield), Redwood Falls (Middle Creek & North Redwood), Rochester First, Hope Mpls., Marshall, and Winona-South Ridge. In 1967 he was superannuated and went on the staff at Rochester Christ United Methodist Church. Here he served as Visitation Pastor.

Oscar Monson was on the Board of Evangelism of the E.U.B. Church and the Lake Koronis Assembly Grounds Board. He sang for 45 years in the Pastors' Men's Chorus. He was Vice President of Vennard College Board of Trustees.

He relied upon God's power and knowledge. He was cognizant of his need and God honored his ministry.

Because of the work of the ministry of Mr. Monson several people have felt the call of God to full-time church-related vocations. These include 7 pastors and one wife who are now serving United Methodist Churches. There are also 4 other pastors serving other denominations because of the influence of Mr. Monson.

He passed from this life on Dec. 20, 1970 while attending a Christmas program at Evangel United Methodist Church in Rochester. Officiating at the funeral service were: Bishop Paul A. Washburn, Merne Harris, President of Vennard College; Rev. Willard Allin, S.E. Dist. Supt.; Rev. W.R. Thomas, Congregational pastor at Sleepy Eye; Robert C. Painter, Evangel United Methodist; Rev. Winfield S. Haycock and Rev. Clemment Peterson both of Christ United Methodist Church. Burial was at Cherry Grove Cemetery near Spring Valley with Rev. Herb Frank of Cherry Grove officiating.
Oscar is survived by his wife Laura of Rochester, daughters Mrs. William (Ruth) Enger of Princeton, Minn. and Mrs. Gunther (Naomi) Schaaf of Columbia Heights, Minn. and one son Richard Monson of Rochester.

"We give thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those thy servants who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labor."

EARNEST C. PARISH

Earnest C. Parish was born on July 28, 1891, the son of Rev. J. J. & Martha Parish, at Seaforth, Ontario, Canada. He passed away on October 9, 1970 at Eagle River, Wisc. Funeral Services were held at Sandstone, Minnesota on October 13, 1970 with Rev. Earl Snader, officiating, assisted by Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Martin. Burial was at the Spring Park Cemetery at Sandstone, Minnesota.

He came with his parents to Minnesota in 1897, receiving his elementary education at Pine City and his high school training at Pine City and Grand Rapids. He received his college training at Hamline University and his Theological training at Boston Theological Seminary. He served churches at Sandstone (Student pastorate); Fosston, Minn.; Paulina, Iowa; Detroit Lakes, Minn.; Fargo, N. Dak.; and Central Park Methodist Church of St. Paul. He was then elected to the Superintendency of the St. Paul District where he served for five years, after which he assumed the leadership of the Wisconsin United Temperance Movement, where he served for 12 years before retiring, and still in retirement, he served as pastor of the Phelps United Church of Christ during the Summer months. Winter months during retirement were spent in the warmth of the South but his deep interest and concern in the welfare of people never wavered.

On June 14, 1916 he was united in marriage to Violet May Lynds at Sandstone, Minn.

He is survived by his wife, Violet, now residing at the Calhoun Beach Manor in Minneapolis, by two brothers, Rev. John Parish of Anoka, Minn., and Rev. George Parish of San Mateo, California, and one sister, Mrs. Stanley Kenderdine of Billerica, Mass.

Dr. Earnest Parish, together with his father and four brothers were all Methodist ministers and his sister married a Methodist minister.

From the CHALLENGE of Alcohol Problems Council of Wisconsin, we quote, "In a very real sense an era of concern over problems relating to alcohol passes with the death of Earnest Parish. In a period of transition from the legalistic period of the past which had become weakened through the period of prohibition and the early years of repeal to the intellectual approach and methods of education of the present, he loomed large in importance and influence. Well will he be remembered for his great contributions to this serious and important cause."

GEORGE WITTHAUS

Rev. Mr. George Witthaus was born on October 10, 1888 in Berger, Missouri, the son of Mr. & Mrs. Henry and Henrietta Witthaus.

He attended the county school near Berger, Missouri, the Warrenton High
School at Warrenton, Missouri, and graduated from Central Wesleyan College at Warrenton. Among his other educational attainments were studies at Warrensburg State College in Warrensburg, Missouri and Central Business College, Sedalia, Missouri. His seminary work and training were accomplished by correspondence while he was working in the bank at Sedalia.

On October 10, 1915, George was married to Lottie Prentiss at Sedalia, Missouri. Death came to George Witthaus on January 29, 1971, while he was a resident at Starbuck, Minnesota. The funeral service took place on February 1, 1971, at Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church in Benson, Minnesota. Burial was at Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in White Bear Lake, Minnesota. Officiating at the funeral service was Rev. Mr. Thomas Gotschall, pastor of Asbury United Methodist Church, St. Paul, Minnesota. Assisting also at the funeral service were Rev. Mr. Paul Dumke, a Lutheran pastor and personal friend of George's, and Rev. Mr. Ernest Mancini, Associate Pastor of Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church in Benson.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Lottie Prentiss Witthaus, of Minnewaska Home in Starbuck, Minnesota and a daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Witthaus Homquist of Benson. George was preceded in death by his son, Dr. Melvyn Witthaus of White Bear Lake, Minnesota.

Rev. George Witthaus served in three conferences during his ministry. In Missouri he served churches in St. Louis, Fair Play, Knobnoster, Pleasant Hill, Lockwood, Holden and Adrian, from 1921 through 1933. From 1933-1935 he served as Superintendent of the Central Wesleyan Orphanage.

In Minnesota, charges were held at Nerstrand-Dennison-Kenyon-Prairie Creek; St. Paul Asbury-Epworth, Redwood Falls-New Avon, and Asbury from 1933-1952.

Transferring to South Dakota, he served as Associate Pastor at First Church in Sioux Falls until 1956 when he retire. Later pastorates included Associate Pastor at Hudson River Road Church, St. Paul, and pastor of the St. Francis Methodist Church.

A special memorial service in his honor is scheduled at St. Francis, Minnesota, for Sunday morning, June 27, 1971.

LILLIAN CLARK BOONE

Lillian Clark Boone was born September 28, 1890, in East Lynne, Connecticut, the daughter of Byron and Mary Clark. She was a graduate of Emerson College, Boston, Massachusetts, and taught speech in Murray State Teachers College in Kentucky, at the University of Maryland, and elsewhere.

The ill health of her parents forced her to give up her teaching career and she had to devote much of her life to their care. During this time she was very active in the Community Church at Niantic, Connecticut and also in the State Historical Society. She became a close friend of the pastor, Rev. Francis Boone and his wife.

Following his retirement and the death of his first wife, the Rev. Mr. Boone returned to Niantic and he and Lillian were united in marriage at Niantic August 9, 1959. Mr. Boone was in poor health during these years and she devoted herself to his care until his death on January 20, 1965.

Mrs. Boone came from strong pioneer stock in New England and retained a
vital interest in church and community affairs until the time of her death September 21, 1969. She was laid to rest in the Union Cemetery, Niantic, Connecticut.

Lillian Boone was an only child. She is survived only by the children of her husband by his first wife.

MAE L. SCHMITT

Mae L. Schmitt was born on November 21, 1899 on a farm near Dale, Indiana; the daughter of George and Laura Kaetzel. She attended the nearby elementary school and completed the eighth grade. She took special Deaconess training and graduated from the Dorcas Institute in Cincinnati, Ohio. The Class hymn had a profound and lifelong influence on her life. One stanza of this hymn embodies Mae's entire philosophy of life:

"Help me to live from day to day,
In such a self-forgetful way,
That even when I kneel to pray,
My prayers shall be for others!"

She attended Sunday School from earliest childhood and took her Catechism instruction in German and English, in preparation for membership in the Santa Claus Methodist Church, then a part of the Central German Conference. One of the abiding sources of blessings, and the expression of her Christian faith was the playing of Christian hymns. She began her musical activities as a teen and continued throughout her entire life.

She was married to Rev. Albert Schmitt on October 28, 1927, in the Santa Claus Methodist Church. Her parsonage life began in the Barth Memorial Methodist Church in Nashville and continued throughout ten parishes for almost forty-three years.

She loved her Church and sought in every possible way to live the Christian life in each of the parishes as a definite part of a team ministry. She gave herself without reserve to many tasks and opportunities, serving in church school, youth fellowship, Women's Society and in many other activities. Hers was a very tender and winsome ministry within the bound of her physical limitations.

She especially enjoyed the years of retirement when she was free from the responsibilities and pressures of parsonage life. She passed away quietly and peacefully at home on October 7, 1970. Her going was that of one lying down for peaceful sleep and pleasant dreams. "Well done" are expressive words for her life.

Funeral services were held in First United Methodist Church, Duluth, October 9, 1970, with Dr. E. Jerry Walker officiating. A second service was held at Santa Claus United Methodist Church, Dale, Indiana, October 10, with an old friend, Rev. Carl Allinger officiating. Her body was laid to rest under a large white oak tree in the church cemetery, where she and her future husband had spent many hours in their dating years.

She is survived by her husband, Rev. Albert Schmitt of Duluth and one daughter, Mrs. Richard (Ruth) Flannelly, of Arlington, Virginia.
ROSEMMA MAE KOSOWER

Rosernma Mae Kosower was born September 5, 1916 at Sharpsville, Pa. to Clayton Albert and Armina Wheeler. She graduated from the Sharpsville High School and the Shanango Valley Commercial Institute. She married the Reverend Albert A. Kosower in the Grace United Church of Christ in Sharpsville on July 22, 1941. They were blessed with three children, a son, Robert E., who lives in Delano, Minnesota, a daughter, Ruth Anne Jones who lives in Ely, Minnesota, and a son, Paul R. who makes his home in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

She was a warm, gracious Christian who was everything a congregation could hope for in a minister's wife. She made theirs a team ministry, sharing, supporting, upholding in every way, never overbearing. She was active in the Women's Society and in the program of education in the church. Convinced about the power of prayer and disciplined Christian life, she organized and developed prayer groups in four of the churches they had served, and these continue to function as prayer units. The youth of the churches were blessed by her influence. When working as a secretary for the church she performed in an exact and neat way.

She was appreciated in her home as a faithful Christian mother and wife. Her husband gives her this tribute, "It was both a great privilege and joy to work with her in the Christian ministry." Those who knew her regarded her as an exemplary Christian. True to her faith to the moment of her death, she was released from this life on November 9, 1970 while a patient of metropolitan General Hospital in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Service of Memorial was held at the Delano United Methodist Church with interment at Sunset Memorial.

 Participating in the service were Rev. Allen Flohr, Rev. Carl Hansen, Rev. Donald Schmidt, and Father Benedict Deichel.

We praise God for the life she lived as part of a parsonage family and member of the family of God.

JANIE MORRISON TURNQUIST
(Mrs. Gustavus Morrison)

Janie Mildred Maxwell Morrison Turnquist was born in Humbolt, Minnesota, June 29, 1903. She was educated in local schools, then went to Abbott Hospital, Minneapolis, for Nurses' training. She did post graduate work at the University of Minnesota. For a number of years she was a public health nurse in Minneapolis.

In 1926 she married Gustavus Morrison, a young Methodist minister from Boston. To this union four children were born: Enid, Mrs. Vernon Bell, of Rockford, Illinois; Lillian Anderson, of Delano, Minnesota; Bud Morrison of White Bear Lake, Minnesota; and Dr. Charles Morrison of Brunswick, Maine.

For thirty years Janie was a parsonage wife, participating actively in local church and district work wherever her husband was appointed, in Montana and in Minnesota, including assignments in Proctor, Olivia, and New Ulm.

Following Gustav's death in 1956 she became the resident nurse at the Walker Home for Senior Citizens in Minneapolis. In 1958 she was united in marriage to Herbert Turnquist of Chicago.
In 1967 Mr. and Mrs. Turnquist moved to Roseville, where Janie again was very active in various areas of church work, in Women’s Society of Christian Service, the 3-20’s Club, art groups and elsewhere.

Janie ended her mortal life on April 4, 1971 at Masonic Memorial Hospital, Minneapolis, after a battle with leukemia. Memorial services were held at Centennial United Methodist Church, Roseville, with the Reverends Lyle T. Christianson and Carl H. Linden participating. Interment was at Lakewood Cemetery, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

She is survived by her husband and her four children. She was much loved by those who knew her in mortal life and has left a rich legacy of Christian devotion and service.

CHRISTINE MUELLER

Christine Mueller was born March 14, 1964 in Racine, Minnesota, the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Howard Mueller. She attended the first grade at the Hoyes School, Evanston, Illinois. She was stricken with a very quick acting form of leukemia and passed away on January 4, 1971. A Memorial Service was held at First United Methodist Church, Evanston, January 5, with Rev. Robert Harmon officiating and a second service was held January 7 at the United Methodist Church in Danube, Minnesota, with Bishop Paul Washburn and the Rev. Layen Adelman participating. Interment was in the church cemetery at Danube.

Christine is survived by her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Mueller, Garrett Theological Seminary, Evanston, and by one sister, Janey.

SARAH ANNE NIELSEN

Sarah Anne Nielsen, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Lauritz Nielsen, was born at Olivia, Minnesota on July 21, 1970. She died after a brief illness at the Wilmar Hospital on June 7, 1971. Memorial Services were held at the Faith United Methodist Church, Olivia on June 9, 1971, with Rev. Clarence Nicholas and Rev. Charles Sweet officiating. Interment was at Olivia.
ANY person who contributes the sum of $1,000 or more to the Pension Fund of the Minnesota Conference may designate a relative or friend in whose name this gift shall be held in honor or as a Memorial. Churches or Sunday Schools contributing a like amount may have the same privilege. The name thus honored shall appear year after year on a special page in the Conference Minutes.

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MABEL E. WENBERG  
From Estate of Mabel E. Wenberg ........................................ 1,000.00
## IN MEMORIAM

### VIII. ROLL OF THE DEAD

"They rest from their labors"

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(1) Change from spring to fall.
(2) In 1868, by change of boundaries, two districts were cut off. One was placed in the Detroit Conference and one in the Northern Wisconsin.
(3) In 1877, the Swedish work was set off to form the Swedish Conference.
(4) In 1880, the Norwegian work organized into a separate conference.
(5) In 1884, the part of our work in North Dakota was organized into the North Dakota Mission.
(6) In 1894, the Minnesota Conference was divided into the Minnesota and Minnesota Northern Conference.
(7) In 1924, the Northern German Conference was incorporated in the Minnesota Conference.
(8) Change from September to June.
(9) In 1942, the Central Northwest Conference (Swedish) dissolved, and its churches in Minnesota became part of the Minnesota and Northern Minnesota Conference.
(10) In 1943, the Norwegian-Danish Conference dissolved, and its churches in Minnesota were merged with the Minnesota and Northern Minnesota Conferences.
(11) In 1948, the Northern Minnesota and Minnesota Conferences were merged to form the Minnesota Conference. For historical record of Northern Minnesota Conference see 1948 Year Book.
(12) In 1969, the Minnesota Annual Conference was united with the Minnesota Conference of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church to form the Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church. A session of the united conference followed separate conference sessions.
HISTORICAL—Northern Minnesota Conference

(a) THE CONFERENCE HISTORY

The NORTHERN MINNESOTA CONFERENCE was formed by the action of the Minnesota Conference at its 40th Session, held in Duluth, in 1894, in pursuance of an Enabling Act passed by the General Conference in 1892. The Minnesota Conference, from which it separated, was organized in the spring of 1856. In 1899, by a change of boundaries, two districts were cut off, which became parts of the District and the Northwest Wisconsin Conferences, respectively. In 1894 that portion of the Conference that extended into North Dakota was organized into the North Dakota Mission, leaving the State of Minnesota in one Conference.

The division of the Minnesota Conference in 1894 divided the State into two Conferences, the Minnesota and the Northern Minnesota, the latter of which comprises about two-thirds of the State. In 1898, following the Uniting Conference, the Northern Minnesota Conference recognized as a Conference of The Methodist Church, under the Declaration of Union whereby The Methodist Episcopal Church, The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and The Methodist Protestant Church became a United Church, to be known as The Methodist Church. In 1940 it was changed from a Fall to a Spring Conference.

The Northern Minnesota Conference, by vote of its 1947 session, was merged with the Minnesota Conference in a Uniting Session at Hamline Church and Hamline University, June 15, 1948, at which time the Minnesota Conference became a state-wide Methodist Conference by The Declaration of Union, June 16, 1948.

(b) SESSIONS OF THE CONFERENCE (1895-1948)

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1930: Breckenridge
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1933: Minneapolis-Calgary
1934: Breckenridge
1935: Minneapolis-Westey
1936: Minneapolis-Westey
1937: Minneapolis-Hennepin
1938: Minneapolis-Westey
1939: Duluth-First
1940: Hibbing-Spine
1941: Minneapolis-Hennepin
1942: St. Paul-Hamline

1943-1948: Minneapolis-Hennepin

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## Annual Conference Sessions

(Two listings for each year; Former (Ev.) and (UB), until the combined listing 1952)

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X. MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION I. CONFERENCE STRUCTURE

A. STANDING RULES

I. ANNUAL CONFERENCE SESSION

A. Procedure

1. The business meetings of the Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church shall be conducted according to regular parliamentary procedure as outlined in Robert's Rules of Order, Revised.

2. Voting shall be by show of hands unless otherwise ordered by the conference. No member shall vote on any question who is not within the bounds of the conference at the time the question is put to vote.

3. The chairman shall appoint special committees which have been ordered if the conference has not provided otherwise.

4. All reports which are to come to the attention of the Annual Conference for action shall be printed and bound in a report book and mailed to the members of the Annual Conference at least thirty days prior to the session. The conference secretary shall supervise the preparation and sending of these reports. Recommendations for conference action shall be separately indicated.

5. There shall be a “consent calendar” prepared by the conference secretary. It shall list the reports which contain no recommendations for conference action and also the reports which in the judgment of the conference secretary will not require debate.
   a. Items on the first consent calendar shall be presented in writing during the opening business meeting of the conference.
   b. The first consent calendar shall be presented for adoption the following day.
   c. Items may be deferred from the first consent calendar to a second consent calendar at the request of any conference member.
   d. The second consent calendar may be presented for adoption no sooner than four hours after adoption of the first consent calendar.
   e. Items may be removed from the second consent calendar by a written petition of ten conference members.

6. Copies of all motions and amendments shall be delivered in writing to the secretary.

7. All persons not members of the Annual Conference desiring to address the conference shall first obtain consent of the Committee on Courtesies. Time limit for statements shall be determined by the presiding officer.

8. These rules shall not be suspended except by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.

9. Any proposed change or amendment to the Standing Rules shall be presented in writing the day prior to the proposed action thereon.

B. Standing Committees

There shall be the following standing committees nominated by the Committee on Nominations and elected by the Annual Conference.

CONFERENCE SESSION. The Committee on Conference Session shall consist of the members divided
2. COURTESIES—The Committee on Courtesies shall consist of seven members. It shall welcome visiting guests and inform the presiding officer of their presence.

3. JOURNAL—The Committee on Journal shall consist of three members. It shall review the journal of conference proceedings and report daily as to its accuracy.

4. MOVING—The Committee on Moving shall consist of eight members divided into four-year terms with two in each class.

5. NOMINATIONS—The Committee on Nominations shall consist of 16 members, composed equally of laymen and clergy, with at least one person from each district. During the Annual Conference each district shall meet to elect one member of the committee. The Cabinet shall nominate 16 persons of whom 8 will be elected by the Annual Conference. The Cabinet shall elect one of its members to serve ex officio, and he shall convene the committee for organization. This committee shall include in its responsibilities the nomination of chairmen and secretaries of conference boards and committees. Maximum tenure on boards, commissions and committees of the united conference shall be eight years. This provision shall take effect at the beginning of the 1972 quadrennium.

Every member of the Annual Conference shall receive a questionnaire regarding his choice of conference responsibilities. Also, individuals under board, commission or committee assignment shall be advised if they are to be dropped.

6. STANDING RULES—The Committee on Standing Rules shall consist of five members. It shall initiate or process and edit all proposed changes and additions to the standing rules.

7. SUPERINTENDENTS' COUNSELING COMMITTEE—The Superintendents' Counseling Committee shall consist of one minister and one layman from each district elected by the Annual Conference. The function of this committee shall be: 1) to assist in understanding and interpreting the role of the district superintendent, 2) to be concerned for the personal well-being of the district superintendent and his family, 3) to keep the district superintendent advised concerning relations between the district superintendent and his district, and 4) to meet at least annually.

There shall be in each district a like committee which shall include the Annual Conference representatives from that district, plus one other minister and one other layman elected by a district meeting to be held at the time of Annual Conference.

8. POLICY, STRUCTURE AND STRATEGY—There shall be a Committee on Policy, Structure and Strategy, elected by and amenable to the Annual Conference. The committee shall be composed of eight members, four ministers and four laymen. The bishop and a district superintendent shall be ex officio. No person shall accept election to the Committee on Policy, Structure and Strategy and at the same time retain elective membership on another board, commission, or committee representing the Program Council. The Committee on Policy, Structure and Strategy shall have the following functions:

a. To conduct study and research of long-range needs of the ministry and conference.

b. To engage in long-range planning with emphasis on purpose, program and organization of the Minnesota Conference.

c. To consult with and report to the Program Council.
These committees shall consider and act upon all reports and items referred to them by the Annual Conference directly or through the conference secretary. Action of the committee on each item so referred shall be reported to the conference with a record of the number of affirmative or negative votes, and abstentions.

The report of the legislative committees shall be in printed form and available to the conference members prior to conference action thereon.

The initial meeting of the legislative committees shall be held on the opening business day of the Annual Conference or as scheduled by the Conference Sessions Committee and thereafter at such times, other than during conference sessions, as the business may require.

The entire membership of the Annual Conference, lay and ministerial, shall be divided by lot to form the legislative committees.

The legislative committees shall be as follows and as otherwise established by the conference:

1. Ecumenical Affairs
2. Education
   a. Camping
   b. Higher Education
   c. Local Church
3. Evangelism
4. Missions
   a. Conference—Metropolitan
   b. Conference—Small communities
   c. World
5. Social Concerns
   a. General Welfare
   b. Human Relations
   c. International Affairs
6. Stewardship
   a. Stewardship Education
   b. Budget and Apportionments
   c. Properties
7. Worship
8. Ministry

D. Election of Lay Members

1. Lay members of the Annual Conference shall be elected for the quadrennium by the pastoral charges in accordance with § 146.1 of The Book of Discipline and Section VII, Article I, of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church.

II. MINISTRY

A. Ministerial Standards And Qualifications

1. REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

   a. No applicant for admission as an associate member shall be accepted unless he shall have completed one-fourth of the work required for a Bachelor of Divinity degree or equivalent first professional degree in a seminary approved or accredited by the University Senate, or shall have been admitted as a full-time approved supply pastor in the Minnesota Annual Conference (Methodist) at or before the 1967 Annual Conference and shall have reached the age of fifty by the adjournment of the 1967 session of the Annual Conference.

   b. No applicant for admission as a probationary member shall be accepted unless he shall have completed one-fourth of the work required for a Bachelor of Divinity degree or equivalent first professional degree in a school of theology accredited or approved by the University Senate.

   c. No applicant for admission as an associate member, probationary member or full member who is more than thirty-five years of age shall be accepted, except by a three-fourths vote of the members of the Board of the Ministry present and voting and a three-fourths vote of the ministerial members of the conference present and voting.

   d. No applicant for admission into full connection shall be accepted unless he shall have received a Bachelor of Divinity degree or equivalent first professional degree in a school of theology accredited or approved by the University Senate.
e. No applicant for admission into full connection shall be accepted unless he shall have served one year under full-time appointment in the Minnesota conference, with a written evaluation of this year of service from the district superintendent being required by the Board of the Ministry. This rule shall be effective for all those received as probationary (on trial) members in 1966 and thereafter. Exception to this rule may be made only by a three-fourths vote of the members of the Board of the Ministry present and voting and a three-fourths vote of the ministerial members of the conference present and voting.

f. A minister seeking admission into full connection on credentials from another denomination shall be a probationary member for at least one year.

2. RELATIONSHIPS AND QUALIFICATIONS

a. The Board of the Ministry appointee to the District Committee on the Ministry may be the secretary of the District Committee. The appointee shall submit a copy each to the resident bishop, to the conference board registrar and to the district superintendent of all District Conference and/or District Committee action concerning the ministry.

3. LAY PASTORS AND LICENSE TO PREACH

a. Requirements for lay pastors shall be as set forth in §§ 338-349 of the 1968 Discipline.

b. Lay pastors shall comply with the North Central Jurisdiction pastor’s school requirement that introductory studies be taken in residence.

c. Studies for license to preach shall be taken through the correspondence office of the Department of the Ministry, or students may take any college course for license to preach which is approved by the Department of the Ministry.

B. Administration and Service

1. PROVISIONS FOR THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION OF THE CHARGE

In order that there may be an efficient use of a minister’s time, talents and education, each charge of the Minnesota conference shall provide for its minister [and associate minister(s)] a study, preferably in the church building, which shall be equipped with a desk and chairs, adequate filing space, sufficient book shelves, proper lighting and a modern typewriter.

b. Shall also provide all of the modern office machines necessary for the efficient conduct of the charge’s business, and shall pay for all office expense, such as postage, stationery, office supplies, etc. In cases where the office equipment is owned by the minister, the charge shall pay all of the repair and maintenance costs.

c. Is strongly urged to provide secretarial help for the parish, and office space separate from the pastor’s study.

d. Shall pay the basic telephone costs for the parsonage and the church, and the long distance calls applicable to the charge.

2. VACATIONS

Congregations shall grant ministers an annual vacation of at least one month, with pay, including at least four Sundays which the pastor in consultation with the Committee on Pastor-Parish Relations may choose. The Committee on Pastor-Parish Relations, with the pastor’s guidance, shall provide for services in the church while the pastor is on vacation.

The minister shall be given the privilege of dividing his vacation into two or more periods of time.

These policies shall also apply to district superintendents and other personnel of the conference.
For seminary graduates taking work for the first time in the Minnesota conference, the following graduated schedule shall be considered a minimum, and is to be worked out in consultation with the Committee on Pastor-Parish Relations of the charge served:

First year: two weeks vacation  
Second year: three weeks vacation  
Third year: a full month’s vacation

Vacations should be scheduled with discretion in relationship to camp and/or conference responsibilities.

Any minister who moves may feel free to take his vacation during the first summer on the new charge.

3. PULPIT SUPPLY
When a minister is away from his charge on any Sunday NOT included in his vacation time, service in the conference or district camping program, or other absences required by the Annual Conference, or sickness or family emergency, he shall pay for the pulpit supply.

4. CONTINUING EDUCATION
Each charge is urged to budget an annual amount for refresher courses and in-service-training opportunities for its minister(s).

5. REPORT FORMS
The bishop and Cabinet shall produce and distribute to the churches such Quarterly and/or Annual Report forms they deem necessary for the efficient and orderly conduct of all the charges of the Annual Conference.

6. TERMINATION OF PASTORATE
The bishop and Cabinet shall annually determine the termination date for the salary and pastoral service of ministers moving to a new charge.

7. RETIREMENT
Upon retirement, a superannuated itinerant minister may have a field of labor assigned to him, other than the field from which he has been retired, if there is need for ministers to supply the field.

It shall be the policy of the Minnesota conference that superannuated ministers shall not be asked to serve as nominees for boards and agencies of the conference.

8. SPECIAL APPOINTMENT
Each district superintendent shall be responsible to ascertain desired changes of relationship to the charge conferences by any members of the conference under special appointment.

9. RECORD OF THOSE HAVING SIGNED THE DECLARATION OF PURPOSE
The conference secretary shall include in the journal a list of the names of all who have signed the declaration of purpose to enter the ministry, and it shall be the duty of the registrar of the Board of the Ministry to provide this list to the conference secretary.

10. PASTORAL SERVICE
Whereas, pastoral service on a field is a responsibility of the minister in charge, and that to request such service from others than the minister in charge,
breaks loyalties, hinders the work of the kingdom and embarrasses ministers, therefore, be it

Resolved, that it be the recommendation of this conference that no minister perform pastoral acts in any parish other than the one assigned to him, except by invitation of the minister in charge, or in cases of emergency with the subsequent notification of the district superintendent.

Be it further
Resolved, that we ask our laymen to refrain from requesting pastoral service from a former pastor, or from a pastor from another parish, thus embarrassing both the pastor in charge, and the pastor asked for such service.

Be it further
Resolved, that we recommend that retired ministers refrain from making their homes within the charge which they had been serving immediately prior to retirement.

C. Minimum Salary And Mutual Aid

1. ADMINISTRATION

a. There shall be a Commission on Minimum Salary and Mutual Aid consisting of six laymen, six ministers, one district superintendent (ex officio) and the conference treasurer (advisory). The six laymen and six ministers shall be arranged in three classes to be elected by the Annual Conference, each class to serve for three years. This commission shall be amenable to the Annual Conference.

b. The commission shall elect annually a chairman, a vice-chairman and an executive secretary.

(1) The executive secretary shall be elected in the spring prior to Annual Conference and shall act as convener for the commission at the first meeting following Annual Conference.

(2) The chairman and the vice-chairman shall be elected at the first meeting following Annual Conference.

(3) It shall be the duty of the executive secretary to keep accurate records of all transactions of the commission. Official information and answers to questions shall be channelled through the executive secretary.

(4) The conference treasurer shall be treasurer of the commission and shall serve as an advisory member.

c. All funds handled by the Annual Conference having to do with salary subsidies in this conference, including national funds, shall be administered by this commission in cooperation with the Cabinet and/or the Board of Missions.

2. MINIMUM SALARY SCHEDULE

a. There shall be a minimum salary including utilities for each charge in the Minnesota conference to be calculated upon three factors:

   (1) Base salary
   (2) Increments for seniority of the minister
   (3) Increments for membership of the charge

b. The minimum salary schedule including utilities for ministers in full connection giving full-time service for 1972 shall be as follows:

   (1) Base salary: $6,400
   (2) Seniority: There shall be added to this base an amount equal to 2% of the base salary for each year of service completed under appointment in the Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church or either of its predecessors, up to a maximum of ten years of service.
All ministers, now members of either the Minnesota Conference (EUB) or the Minnesota Annual Conference (Methodist), shall have their years of seniority determined by the number of years they have served full-time in the Christian ministry following ordination.

Ministers received into the Minnesota conference by transfer of credentials shall henceforth have their seniority tenure status determined by the Board of the Ministry at the time of their acceptance into the Minnesota conference.

(3) Membership: There shall be added to the base an amount equal to 3% of the base salary for each 50 members, or portion thereof, on the charge above the first 200 members.

(4) In those churches where this minimum schedule would result in an increase of more than $500 in 1970 over 1969, the local charge must pay the minimum salary in 1971.

(5) In those churches where this minimum schedule would result in an increase of more than $1,200 in 1971 over 1969, the local charge may take $700 of the increase in 1971 and must pay the minimum salary in 1972.

(6) When a minister serves under appointment to a new mission church or other special ministry within the Minnesota conference, the minimum salary shall include an increment for 401 members.

(7) The base salary, schedule of increments for seniority, and the schedule of increments for membership shall be reviewed annually by the Minimum Salary and Mutual Aid Committee of the Minnesota conference.

(8) Charges unable to meet this minimum salary may be served in combination with other churches, may be temporarily assisted by receiving an appropriation as an aided field, or may be discontinued. A single church with a multiple staff will not be aided.

c. Multiple Staff
The minimum salary including utilities of a minister in full connection under appointment in the Minnesota conference who is a member of the ministerial staff of a church (other than the senior pastor) shall include the base salary plus 5% of the base salary per year for each year of service under appointment in the Minnesota conference, up to a maximum of ten years.

d. Associate Members
The minimum salary, including utilities, of an associate member of the conference giving full-time service in the Minnesota conference shall be 90% of the minimum salary using all factors of the minimum salary schedule.

e. Lay Pastors
The minimum salary, including utilities, of a lay pastor giving full-time service in the Minnesota conference shall be 80% of the minimum salary using all factors in the minimum salary schedule.

f. Yoked Charges
When a charge of the Minnesota conference is yoked with a church of another denomination and served by a minister who is a member of the Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church, the minimum salary shall be determined by the provisions of the Minnesota conference, and when a charge of the Minnesota conference is yoked with a church of another denomination and is served by a minister of that denomination, the minimum salary shall be determined by the provisions of the other denomination.
g. Exceptions
In the event that it should seem necessary and advisable to make an exception to the rules stated above, the matter must be referred to this commission.

h. No minimum salary shall exceed 200% of the base figure.

3. MUTUAL AID
There shall be a program of mutual aid administered by this commission.

a. The conference Cabinet shall report emergencies of ministers and/or their families and shall budget an amount needed. The conference treasurer shall pay the amount ordered by this commission upon the written request of the executive secretary.

D. Memoirs
Memoirs for ministerial members of the conference, minister’s wives and/or widows, and lay pastors who have rendered full-time work and died in service shall be prepared by or under the direction of the Committee on Memoirs, said committee to consist of one representative from each of the districts of the conference. Such memoirs, after having been edited by the secretary, shall be printed in the yearbook.

E. Moving Ministers’ Household Goods
The moving of the household goods of our ministers and widows shall be under the supervision of the Committee on Moving, elected by the Annual Conference for the quadrennium. The committee shall consist of seven members, including one district superintendent named by the Cabinet, with the remaining members to be divided equally between laymen and ministers. The Annual Conference shall elect the chairman, who shall be the director of moving.

Procedures and policies shall be as follows.

1. The conference shall, on recommendation of the Committee on Moving, employ one moving company, associated with a nation-wide carrier, to schedule and move ministers’ household goods, in consultation with the director of moving and the Cabinet.

2. The conference shall pay 100% of the moving expenses of ministers and widows subject to the following limitations:
   a. MAXIMUM WEIGHT: 12,000 pounds
   b. LIMIT FOR PACKAGE AND WARDROBE SERVICE: $50.00
   c. FOR MINISTERS COMING DIRECTLY FROM SEMINARY, the maximum weight for which moving expenses will be paid shall be 7,000 pounds.
   d. FOR RETIRED MINISTERS, AND WIDOWS OF MINISTERS WHO HAVE DIED WHILE IN ACTIVE MINISTERIAL SERVICE, the conference shall pay the total moving expense, for one move only, except that the maximum claim allowed for such moves shall not exceed 2½ times the average claim allowed for intra-conference moves the preceding year.
   e. PAYMENT SHALL NOT COVER storage, warehousing, handling in and out of warehouse or storage insurance for any move.
   f. Payment for ONE EXTRA PICKUP will be allowed in situations where pastor’s study is located other than at the parsonage.
   g. When a minister in effective relation is appointed to a ONE-YEAR SABBATICAL LEAVE, his household moving expenses shall be paid to and from the place of his sabbatical appointment, upon his return for an appointment in the Minnesota Conference, provided that the maximum claim allowable for each move shall not exceed 2½ times the average claim for intra-conference moves the preceding year.
h. FOR MINISTERS COMING FROM OUTSIDE THE CONFERENCE for appointment within the Minnesota conference, the maximum claim allowable shall not exceed $2\frac{1}{2}$ times the average claim for intra-conference moves the preceding year.

i. ADJUSTMENTS in moving policy and expense may be made upon recommendation of the Cabinet and the Committee on Moving.

3. The Mutual Benefit Insurance Society shall act as the insurance company for insuring ministers' household goods while they are being moved.

### III. WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE

#### A. Rules Of Procedure

1. The conference treasurer, the chairman and vice-chairman of the Commission on World Service and Finance, the conference program director, and the associate conference program directors, may, any or all of them, be authorized by the Commission on World Service and Finance to sign conference checks.

2. The conference treasurer shall have custody of, and disburse all conference funds; and also the funds of all conference boards, commissions and committees, and organizations which are not separately incorporated.

3. At the end of every fiscal year, balances of all budgeted funds shall revert to the conference treasury reserve. Exceptions to this rule may be made on request to the Commission on World Service and Finance if the funds have in fact been designated for specific purposes. All funds of the former EUB conference indicated as designated shall remain dedicated for a period of one year beyond the date of union. At this time, an evaluation by the board or agency and Commission on World Service and Finance shall be made to determine whether such fund shall remain dedicated or be returned to the treasury reserve.

In accord with the Basis of Union agreement, for the record the following (EUB) accounts are dedicated for Missionary Expansion purposes:

1. Missionary Expansion Account
2. Mankato Account
3. Normandale Hylands Account
4. Pilgrim Account
5. Kroehler Stocks (488 shares)
6. Eagle Point property in Washington County
7. Pilgrim Church site in Plymouth Village
8. Fund for Renewal (for specific creative and renewal purposes).

In order to assure continuity of the Church Extension Program into the United Conference the following grants from (EUB) funds shall be allocated as follows:

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4. The Commission on World Service and Finance may, upon the special request of the Cabinet and/or the Program Council, transfer budgeted funds from one account to another.
5. The blanket bond shall be continued whereby all conference treasurers and other persons authorized to sign checks (see 1. above) are covered by office and not by name. Any future treasurers shall be included upon their election. The following treasurers are to be covered:

- Conference Treasurer
- Old Frontenac Point
- Conference Entertainment and Travel
- United Methodist Men
- Northern Pines Methodist Camp Corporation
- Decision Hills Methodist Camp
- United Methodist Youth Fellowship
- Southwest Methodist Concern Fund
- St. Paul District Methodist Builders
- Lakeview Methodist Home
- Lake Koronis Assembly Grounds
- Mutual Benefit Insurance Society

6. As directed by the Discipline of The United Methodist Church, the Commission on World Service and Finance will engage a certified public accountant to audit the conference financial records annually, no later than 120 days after the close of the conference fiscal year.

7. The conference treasurer shall perform the duties of treasurer as outlined in the Discipline of The United Methodist Church, the minutes of Annual Conference, and the directives of the Commission on World Service and Finance. The conference treasurer may, with the approval of the Commission on World Service and Finance, assume other responsibilities as may be requested or determined.

8. All employees of the conference, including district superintendents, will be compensated for all ordinary and necessary conference business expenses, including air and rail fare or automobile travel at ten cents per mile and lodging while away from home.

9. The conference treasurer is authorized to borrow up to $250,000 if needed for conference operations. Any borrowing shall be repaid within the next fiscal year.

10. The procedure for developing the conference budget to be presented to the Annual Conference shall be as follows:

a. The Program Council shall request all boards, commissions and committees to present budget requests for their operation and for conference benevolences to the conference treasurer.

b. The conference treasurer shall check these budget requests for accuracy and documentation and shall notify the requesting group of any inaccuracies. Budget requests will then be forwarded to the program director.

c. The executive committee of the Program Council and the Commission on World Service and Finance in joint session, or in committee if such arrangement is mutually agreeable to both groups, shall conduct budget hearings.

d. The Commission on World Service and Finance shall determine the total amount of the conference budget. When through a program of the Commission on Stewardship of the Board of the Laity and the Commission on World Service and Finance a uniform system of reporting by local churches of all funds received by its groups and organizations has been effected in all the churches of the conference, then the total amount of the conference budget shall be annually increased by no more than the two-year average of the annual increase in funds received in the local churches. Until such a
uniform system of reporting has been effected, the total amount of the conference budget shall be annually increased by no more than $1.50 per member of the total membership of the conference.

e. The Commission on World Service and Finance shall advise the Program Council of the proposed total amount that the commission will recommend for the operation of conference program and benevolences.

f. The Program Council will allocate the total amounts allowed for program and benevolences according to a system of priorities to be developed by the Program Council and will furnish the Commission on World Service and Finance with this recommended allocation.

g. The Commission on World Service and Finance will receive the recommended allocations for conference program and benevolences and will prepare the final budget for presentation to the Annual Conference, including such recommended allocations.

h. Should any request for budgetary funds come before the conference at its annual session which has not been included in the budget, or any changes requested within the budget, these shall first be referred to the Commission on World Service and Finance. If, in consultation with the Program Council, equitable adjustments can be made within the budgetary limitation, the Commission on World Service and Finance shall so report to the conference, which may then take action within those limits.

i. Should any cause then be voted by the conference in excess of the budgetary limitation, that cause shall not be apportioned to the churches, but included under the category of optional expenses.

B. Recommendations for the Guidance of Conference Boards, Commissions and Committees

1. Meals for members attending meetings called by conference organizations will be paid for from the budget allocated to that organization. Actual meal expense will be paid but the total amount shall not exceed $5 per day.

2. The travel allowance for those attending meetings called by conference boards and commissions shall be ten cents per mile. Traveling together is encouraged whenever it is feasible. Payments shall be made by voucher. In no instance shall anyone collect in full unless he attends the entire meeting or is excused by the chairman, nor shall a person be paid by more than one agency for the same trip.

3. Funds budgeted for one purpose may not be used for any other purpose without prior approval of the Commission on World Service and Finance. Requests for budget changes should be made through the Program Council which may forward the request to the Commission on World Service and Finance.

4. Each conference board, commission and committee shall designate one person to serve as budget coordinator. Before any payment will be made by the conference treasurer, it shall be the duty of the budget coordinator to approve and review all vouchers for completeness. The conference treasurer, with ten days notification, will prepare financial reports.

5. As required by the Discipline of The United Methodist Church, all boards, agencies, colleges or hospitals requesting authorization for conference-wide appeals for funds from local churches must receive approval from the Annual Conference. This request is to be reviewed annually by the Commission on World Service and Finance and submitted to the Annual Conference.

"For the year 1972 the following shall be authorized to
appeal for funds: Good Will Industries; Southwest Minnesota State College Area for Campus Religious Center Building; the Vocational Internship Program; the Southwest Methodist Concern Fund; the Lakeview Methodist Home, Fairmont; the Paul Watkins Memorial Methodist Home, Winona; the Wesley Foundations; Kingswood Camp; Northern Pines Camp; and the Hamline Development Fund. Passed. The entire report was approved.

6. That all reports to be published in the pre-conference publication and in the Annual Conference journal be kept as short as is consistent with clarity to reduce publishing costs. It is recommended that expression of merit and words of appreciation be deleted from printed reports.

C. Recommendations for the Guidance of Local Churches

1. The conference treasurer will publish a complete list of all shares (apportionments) in the conference minutes, and will also advise each local church of its conference share.

2. Local churches shall make monthly remittances to the conference treasurer.

3. Shares (apportionments) are a primary responsibility of each local church and take precedence over any special gifts or Advance specials.

4. Emphasis shall be placed upon the following special offerings: Golden Cross, Student Day, Fellowship of Suffering, Hour of Sharing, Race Relations, and Fund for Reconciliation.

5. All churches which do not specifically pay parsonage utilities should pass a resolution each year, at the meeting which sets the pastor's salary for that year, as follows: The pastor's cash salary includes an allowance for utilities of $—— in lieu of payment of utilities.

6. Churches should pay actual expenses of the minister including automobile expenses at the rate of ten cents per mile, or an expense allowance equal to a reasonable estimate of such expenses.

7. The conference treasurer will close the conference financial books by January 10, and churches should have final remittances to his office by that date.

8. The local church may appeal its Christian Service Fund share (apportionment) through its district superintendent to the fall meeting of the Commission on World Service and Finance. All unpaid shares (apportionments) shall be published in the Annual Conference journal and shall remain a liability until properly appealed.

9. That all churches carry workmen's compensation insurance for all employees, including the pastor.

10. That all churches make adequate provision for automobile liability insurance covering all cars that may be used for transporting persons or groups in activities under church sponsorship.

11. All charges shall provide either a parsonage or a housing allowance for the ministers appointed to serve them. Minimum equipment and furnishing shall include a gas or electric range, refrigerator, living room carpeting and drapes. The "Standards for the Parsonage Home" as adopted by the Minnesota Annual Conference and printed in the 1957 journal of the Methodist conference shall be used as a measure of the adequacy of parsonage housing.

D. Method for Sharing (Apportioning) the Budget Adopted by the Annual Conference

1. The local church shall share and pay one sum representing World Service, conference benevolences and administrative items. The Commission on World Service and Finance shall provide adequate publicity to indicate the
amounts or percentages of World Service, conference benevolences and administrative costs.

2. The method for apportioning the conference needs shall be as follows:
   a. A base factor per member shall be determined by the Commission on World Service and Finance.
   b. Multiply the membership of each church by the base factor (step a), to give the gross share.
   c. Determine the smaller of:
      1) 16% of the minister's support (cash salary and utilities. Do not include travel allowance or the support of associate ministers.
      2) 16% of the gross share (step b).
   d. Subtract step c from step b to give the individual church share of the Christian Service Fund.

IV. LOCAL CHURCH

A. Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the local church shall be the calendar year. (¶ 151.2)

B. Program Year

The program year shall be the calendar year.

C. Election of Local Church Officers

It is recommended that a Charge Conference or Annual Church Conference be held in November, December or January for the purpose of electing the officers of the local church. The various organizations within the church shall hold elections of officers no later than the time of the Charge Conference or Annual Church Conference except as otherwise provided. The tenure of office shall begin in the month of January.

V. PENSIONS

A. PENSIONS

1. The Pension Code of the Discipline of The United Methodist Church shall be the bylaws of the Board of Pensions of the Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church beginning at the time of the union of the conferences and thereafter.

2. There shall be sixteen members on the Board of Pensions in the united conference elected according to the provisions of the Discipline of The United Methodist Church, and two ministers and two laymen shall be from the former EUB conference and six ministers and six laymen shall be from the former Methodist conference, and there shall be one representative from the Cabinet appointed by the Cabinet, who shall be an advisory member.

3. The following shall be the plan for a pension program in the united conference:
   a. Estimated Total Assets $3,261,000
   b. Estimated Total Liability ($60 SA @ 5%) 6,370,000
   c. Estimated Unfunded Liability 4,552,000
   d. Twenty-five year level equivalent 322,000
   e. Estimated Total 9% Contributions 235,000
4. The following shall be the method of payment of pension contributions and self-employment taxes of ministers in the United Conference.
   a. 9% contribution shall be paid by the conference and apportioned to the churches.
   b. 3% contribution shall be paid by the local church direct to the General Board of Pensions in Evanston, above and in addition to the minister's salary.
   c. Self-employment tax shall be paid by the minister.

5. Ministers in the Minnesota Conference of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church shall continue to participate in the Death Benefit Program of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church on the basis of non-duplication of death benefits (see under "C" below) as provided for in pension legislation by the General Board of Pensions regarding the Death Benefit Program.

6. For any member of the Minnesota conference of The United Methodist Church who is under special appointment, including conference agencies, and who wishes to maintain his annuity claim on the Minnesota conference, it is required that beginning January 1, 1970, his employing agency shall make an annual payment to the conference treasurer of an amount not less than 9% of the average salary of the conference, and it is also required that beginning January 1, 1970, his employing agency shall make an annual payment to the conference treasurer of an amount not less than 3% of the average salary of the conference, which amount shall be credited to his personal contributions account.

7. Whereas, beginning January 1, 1970, in the Minnesota conference of The United Methodist Church all charges shall pay the 3% personal contribution for pensions of their ministers over, above, and in addition to his cash salary including utilities, and whereas, such personal contributions will be held in individual accounts of the General Board of Pensions, and will be considered taxable income in the year paid and tax free at retirement, therefore be it RESOLVED:
   that all ministers of the Minnesota conference be reminded that after January 1, 1970, all 3% personal contributions payments made by the charges of the conference over, above and in addition to the cash salary including utilities of the minister shall be reported by the minister as income for tax purposes in the year the payments are made by the charge.

B. HOSPITALIZATION

1. The following shall be the Group Hospitalization Insurance Plan in the United Conference. The premium cost to the ministers enrolled shall be reduced by a subsidy of $20 per quarter from the Board of Pensions of the Minnesota Conference.
A
PROGRAM OF GROUP INSURANCE
DESIGNED FOR
THE MINNESOTA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUMMARY OF BENEFITS
Hospital Daily Room Benefit—Up to 120 days ........ Semi-private Room Charge
Hospital Services Benefit—Up to 120 days .................. 100%
Out-Patient Hospital Emergency Accident Benefit ........ 100%
Diagnostic X-Ray and Laboratory—Maximum Benefit ...... $ 50.00
Doctors' Calls in Hospital—Up to 120 days .......... 3.00
Maternity Benefit ................. 150.00
Surgical Relative Value Work—Multiplied By ................ 3.00
Surgical Maximum Benefit .................. 300.00
Major Medical Benefits
Major Medical Maximum Benefit ................. 10,000.00
Major Medical Cash Deductible ................. 100.00
Major Medical Coinsurance Percentage ........... 75%

SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY PREMIUMS*
Member Only .................................. $ 36.60
Member with Dependents ..................... 72.80
* less amount of subsidy

2. Eligibility for membership in the Group Hospitalization Insurance Plan shall include all ministers serving within the bounds of the Minnesota conference who are:
   a. Members in full connection with annuity claim including special appointees.
   b. Associate members of the conference with annuity claim.
   c. Members on trial serving with annuity claim.
   d. Lay pastors serving with annuity claim.
   e. Lay employees as defined by carrier.
   f. Members of the conference appointed to attend school regardless of where the school is located.

All persons now in either of the plans of the former conferences shall not be denied membership in the new plan.

C. DEATH BENEFIT PROGRAM
1. There shall be a death benefit plan in the united conference which shall be Plan B of the Death Benefit Program of the General Board of Pensions of The United Methodist Church.
All provisions and programs outlined above shall be subject to periodic review by the Board of Pensions of the Minnesota Annual Conference which shall make adjustments at its discretion.

BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINNESOTA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH
Incorporated June 16, 1948 — By-Laws Adopted Same Day

I.
The business of this Board of Trustees shall be the full government of this corporation, as provided by the Discipline of The Methodist Church.

II.
The Board of Trustees shall meet immediately following the session of the annual meeting of the corporation at which vacancies in the Board of Trustees are filled, at a place designated by the retiring president of the board, for the purpose of selecting officers thereof, as provided by the Articles of Incorporation, namely, a president, a vice-president, a secretary and an assistant secretary, and a treasurer, and transacting such business as may come before the board.

The board may be called in special session by the president thereof at any time by notice mailed ten days before such meeting; or by three members of the board on a notice mailed five days in advance of such meeting.

Seven members of the board shall constitute a quorum, but a lesser number may vote to adjourn to another time, one day's notice to be given the other members of the board.

III.
The officers shall constitute an executive committee, to transact such business as may be committed to them by the Board of Trustees. They may be convened on call of the president of the board.

IV.
All legal instruments shall be signed by the president, or vice-president, and secretary or assistant secretary of the Board of Trustees.

V.
The funds of this corporation may be deposited for investment by the Board of Trustees with The Board of Pensions, incorporated in Illinois, of The Methodist Church, or with any trust company selected by the board.

Otherwise such funds shall be invested in such securities as are legal for the investment of savings banks funds in Minnesota.

VI.
The corporation shall have a checking account and may have a savings account in such bank, or banks as the board may from time to time determine.

VII.
This corporation shall have no seal.

B. DISTRICTS

The Book of Discipline, ¶ 390.3, states one of the bishop's duties to be "To form the districts according to his judgment, after consultation with the district superintendents, and after the number of the same has been determined by vote of the Annual Conference."

The conference's decision as to the number of districts is, however, dependent upon geographical, sociological and economic factors on the one hand, and considerations of the functions of the district superintendents and the desires of the bishop on the other.

Certain basic principles have emerged from consultations with the bishop
and superintendents and with other ministers and laymen as well as from the results of a survey of ministers and laymen in both conferences:

Districts should, insofar as possible, be determined with consideration for natural and sociological factors and for problems of distance and travel.

Ways should be found to deal with the community-wide problems of the Twin City Metropolitan Area on a metropolitan basis. This area is a sociological, economic and cultural entity containing half of the population of the state and two-fifths of the United Methodists. It will double in population by the year 2000. A team or cooperative ministry of the metropolitan superintendents is suggested.

The work load of superintendents should be relatively the same. If portfolios are assigned, the size of districts should be adjusted accordingly.

Superintendents should live on the districts served. District headquarters should be located with consideration both for access to churches of the district and to the Twin Cities.

Because the districts are the basis for representation on many conference boards, they should be approximately equal in membership.

The Sub-Committee on District Boundaries and the Joint Commission on Union have, therefore, reviewed these considerations and with the counsel of the bishop and Cabinet offer the following recommendations:

1. The Minnesota Annual Conference shall be composed of eight districts.
2. The work of the district superintendents and its relationship to that of the conference program staff shall be included in the professional evaluation of staff services and requirements during the first year of union.
3. The superintendents of the metropolitan districts shall have functional responsibilities over the three districts upon assignment of the bishop.
4. District boundaries are subject to adjustment annually.
5. Districts shall be composed as follows:

**CENTRAL DISTRICT**

1. Appleton, Milan
2. Atwater, Oak Park, Rosendale
3. Balaton, Lake Benton
4. Bellingham, Madison
5. Buffalo Lake
6. Central Minnesota
   - United Methodist Parish
   - Becker, Clear Lake, Clearwater
   - Milaca, Zimmerman
   - Princeton, Onamia, Spencer Brook
7. Clarkfield
8. Clinton, Graceville UCC
9. Cosmos, Lake Lillian
10. Danube, Middle Creek
11. Fairfax, Franklin, Morton
12. Hector, Churchill
13. Hendricks, Ivanhoe
14. Koronis Parish
   - Belgrade
   - Hawick, Union Grove
15. Litchfield
16. Marshall (E), Lynd
17. Marshall (M)
18. Montevideo, Rosewood
19. Morgan, New Avon (M)
20. Odessa, Correll
21. Olivia (E), Osceola, Olivia (M), Bird Island
22. Ortonville
23. Paynesville (E)
24. Raymond
25. Redwood Falls
26. Renville
27. St. Cloud (E), Graham
28. St. Cloud (M)
29. Stewart
30. Tracy
31. Wabasso, New Avon (E)
32. Waite Park
33. Willmar
34. Wood Lake, Echo

**METROPOLITAN EAST DISTRICT**

1. Afton (St. Croix Valley United)
2. Castle Rock, Little Prairie
3. Circle Pines (Gethsemane)
4. Farmington
5. Hastings
6. Inver Grove Hgts. (Mount Bethel)
7. Lindstrom
8. Nerstrand
9. Newport
10. North Branch, Cambridge
11. Northfield
12. Pine City, Brook Park
13. Red Wing
14. Rosemount

**St. Paul, City of**
15. Arlington Hills
16. Calvary
17. Centennial
18. Christ
19. Cleveland Avenue
20. Epworth
21. Fairmount Avenue
22. Faith
23. First-Trinity
24. Hamline

25. Holman-Asbury
26. Hope
27. Lake Drive (Mahtomedi)
28. Mounds Park
29. Peace (Shoreview)
30. St. Anthony Park
31. St. Paul's
33. Salem
34. Wesley
35. White Bear Lake
36. Woodbury
37. South St. Paul
38. Stanton, Randolph
39. Stillwater
40. Taylors Falls
41. Wyoming, Forest Lake

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**METROPOLITAN NORTH DISTRICT**

1. Annandale, Kimball, South Haven
2. Anoka
3. Bethel
4. Buffalo
5. Champlin
6. Delano (Delano UCC)
7. Elk River
8. Greenwood
9. Howard Lake, Montrose
10. Maple Grove, Hanover

**Minneapolis, City of**

11. Bethlehem
12. Blaine
13. Brooklyn Center
14. Brunswick
15. Calvary
16. Columbia Heights
17. Coon Rapids
18. Faith
19. First University
20. Fridley
21. Golden Valley
22. Grace (E)
23. Grace (M)
24. Harron
25. Hennepin Avenue
26. North
27. Olivet
28. Pilgrim
29. Prospect Park
30. Riverview
31. Sunrise
32. Trinity
33. Monticello
34. Mora, Ogilvie
35. Osseo
36. St. Francis, Cedar
37. Wayzata (Messiah)

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**METROPOLITAN SOUTH DISTRICT**

1. Arlington
2. Brownton
3. Burnsville (Grace)
4. Burnsville (River Hills)
5. Eden Prairie
6. Excelsior
7. Faribault (E), Prairieville
8. Faribault (M)
9. Hopkins
10. Hutchinson (E)
11. Hutchinson (M)
12. Jordan, Lydia
13. Lafayette, Brighton, Winthrop
14. LeCenter, Cleveland
15. LeSueur (M), LeSueur (E)

**Minneapolis, City of**

16. Aldersgate
17. Asbury
18. Bloomington Ferry
19. Edgewater
20. Emmanuel
21. Epworth
22. Good Samaritan
23. Hillcrest
24. Hobart
25. Minnehaha
26. Normandale Hylands
27. Oakl and Avenue
28. Park Avenue
29. Peace
30. Portland Avenue
31. Richfield
32. Simpson
33. Southwest United Methodist Parish
34. Walker
35. Wesley
36. Morristown, Blooming Grove
37. Mound
38. Norwood, Mayer
39. Prior Lake
40. Waterville, Cannonville

NORTHEAST DISTRICT

1. Aitkin, Pine Lake
2. Aurora, Hoyt Lakes
3. Big Falls
4. Brainerd (E)
5. Brainerd (M)
6. Chisholm, Buhl
7. Cromwell
8. Crosby, Deerwood
9. Deer River
10. Bethany
11. Central Avenue
12. Chester Park
13. First
14. Lester Park
15. Riverview, Norton Park
16. University
17. Wesley, Hillside

Duluth, City of

18. Woodland
19. Ely
20. Emily
21. Eveleth
22. Finlayson
23. Grand Rapids, Coleraine
24. Hibbing, Kelly Lake
25. Hill City, Swatara
26. Kabetogama, Mobile Mission
27. McGregor, Fleming, Palisade
28. Meadowlands, Brookston
29. Moose Lake, Barnum
30. Nashwauk, Marble, Pengilly
31. Northome
32. Pine River, Pequot Lakes
33. Proctor
34. Two Harbors
35. Virginia

NORTHWEST DISTRICT

1. Ada, Beltrami
2. Akeley, Cass Lake
3. Alexandria
4. Bemidji
5. Bertha, Hewitt, Wrightstown
6. Breckenridge, Foxhome
7. Browns Valley, Beardsley
8. Clarissa, Eagle Bend
9. Crookston
10. Deer Creek, Henning, Ottertail
11. Detroit Lakes
12. Fergus Falls (E)
13. Fergus Falls (M)
14. Fosston, Erskine, Pine Bend
15. Frazee, Vergas
16. Glenwood, Glenwood UCC
17. Grey Eagle, Long Prairie UCC
18. Hawley
19. Herman, Chokio
20. Humboldt
21. Little Falls
22. Long Prairie, Clotho
23. Menahga, Hubbard, Sebeka
24. Moorhead
25. Morris
26. Motley
27. Norcross, Taylor, Tenney
28. Park Rapids
29. Pepperton
30. Perham, Dent, Richville
31. Roseau
32. Sauk Center, Osakis, Villard
33. Staples
34. Thief River Falls
35. Verndale, Central
36. Wadena
37. Warren

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT

1. Albert Lea
2. Austin (E)
3. Austin (M)
4. Austin Fellowship
5. Blooming Prairie, Lansing
6. Byron
7. Caledonia
8. Chatfield, Fountain
9. Cherry Grove
10. Dexter, Brownsdale
11. Dodge Center
12. Douglas
13. Elgin
14. Ellendale, Geneva
15. Eyota
16. Gordonsville, Glenville
17. Hammond
18. Harmony, State Line
19. Janesville, Elysian
20. Kasson, Pleasant Corners (E)
21. LaCrescent, Dakota, Dresbach
22. Lake City, Zumbro Falls
23. Mabel, Newburg
24. Mazeppa
25. Money Creek, Ridgeway, Witoka
26. Owatonna

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

1. Adrian, Magnolia
2. Alden, Minnesota Lake
3. Blue Earth (E)
4. Blue Earth (M)
5. Ceylon, East Chain
6. Delavan, Pleasant Prairie
7. East Blue Earth
8. Elmore
9. Fairmont
10. Granada
11. Heron Lake, Bingham Lake, Okabena
12. Jackson
13. Jasper, Trosky
14. Jeffer's, Red Rock, Amo
15. Lake Crystal, Madelia
16. Lakefield
17. Lamberton (E)
18. Lamberton (M), Germantown, Sanborn
19. Luverne
20. Madison Lake
21. Mankato (E), Eagle Lake
22. Mankato Centenary (M)
23. Mankato Wesley Foundation
24. New Ulm (M)
25. North Mankato
26. Pipestone (E), Salem
27. Pipestone (M)
28. Rice Lake, Kiester
29. Ruthton, Verdi
30. St. Clair, Beauford
31. St. James, Trimont
32. Sherburn, Welcome (M)
33. Slayton, Lake Wilson
34. Sleepy Eye (E), New Ulm (E)
35. Sleepy Eye (M)
36. Springfield
37. Steen
38. Vernon Center, Amboy
39. Walnut Grove, Holly
40. Welcome (E)
41. Wells (E)
42. Wells (M)
43. Windom
44. Winnebago
45. Worthington (E), Bigelow
46. Worthington (M)

SUMMARY

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C. PROGRAM COUNCIL

There shall be an Annual Conference Program Council. (¶ 841)

1. Purpose. The purpose of the conference Program Council shall be: (a) to receive program recommendations from the local churches, the district agencies, the Annual Conference agencies, and the jurisdictional and General Program Councils; (b) to develop these recommendations into a coordinated program to be recommended to the Annual Conference for consideration, amendment, and adoption as the Annual Conference program, and (c) to provide implementation for and administration of the coordinated program as adopted by the conference.

2. Membership. The membership of the Annual Conference Program Council shall be on a quadrennial basis as far as possible and shall consist of the following:

- the presiding bishop
- the district superintendents
- the conference secretary
- the president and one other representative of the conference youth organization
- the president and one other representative of the conference Women's Society of Christian Service
- the conference lay leader and the associate lay leaders
- one lay person from each district
- chairmen of age-level and family departments designated by the council
- two ministers at large
- four lay persons at large, at least two of whom shall be women
- one representative from each of the following boards and agencies:
  - The Board of Education
  - The Board of Evangelism
  - The Board of Health and Welfare Ministries
  - The Board of the Ministry
  - The Board of Missions
  - The Board of Social Concerns
  - The Commission on Ecumenical Affairs
  - The Commission on Enlistment and Christian Vocation
  - The Commission on Worship
- The following shall be members without vote:
  - salaried and volunteer conference staff
  - the conference treasurer
  - two members of the Commission on World Service and Finance
  - one member of the Policy, Structure and Strategy Committee
  - one member of the Commission on Archives and History
  - one member of the Committee on Interpretation
  - one member of the Committee on Communication

3. Officers. The officers of the council shall be a chairman, a vice-chairman, a secretary who shall be elected by and from the council, and a treasurer who shall be the conference treasurer.
4. Executive Committee. There shall be an executive committee consisting of the officers, the bishop, one district superintendent chosen by the Cabinet, the program director and the associate program director of the council, and five other members to be elected annually by the council. Approximately one half of the members of the executive committee shall be laymen. The executive committee other than the employed staff shall act as the personnel committee of the council.

5. Committees, Task Forces, and Consultations. The council shall appoint a Committee on Interpretation and a Committee on Communication. It may appoint such other committees, task forces, and consultations as may be deemed essential to the effective discharging of its responsibilities.

6. Age-level Departments. The council shall appoint age-level departments as it deems necessary to the performance of its duties and related to the total life of the church.

7. Director. The council shall elect, upon nomination by the bishop and district superintendents in consultation with the executive committee, an executive officer, to be known as the conference program director. He shall be in consultative relationship to the conference Cabinet on matters relating to coordination, implementation, and administration of the conference program.

8. Staff. All Annual Conference program staff shall be employed by, directed by, and amenable to the council. Ordained ministers on the staff are subject to being appointed by the presiding bishop.

9. Relationships. The council shall have the following relationships including the amenabilities indicated:

   a) All District and Annual Conference agencies shall submit the elements of program which are to be promoted in, supported by, or implemented by the local churches of the conference to the council for consideration, approval, coordinating, and calendaring prior to presentation to the local churches. The council may request District or Annual Conference agencies to implement a program for the entire conference.

   b) The council staff shall be responsible, in cooperation with the district superintendents, for the implementation of the conference program.

10. Function. The functions of the Annual Conference Program Council are:

   a) To study the mission of the Annual Conference and the local churches of the conference and to determine program priorities and emphases which will assist the conference and the local churches to perform their mission.

   b) To describe, coordinate, and organize opportunities to serve within the mission.

   c) To receive program recommendations from the local churches, the District and Annual Conference agencies, and the jurisdictional and General Program Councils, to evaluate these recommendations, and to formulate a coordinated conference program to be presented to the Annual Conference for consideration.

   d) To provide for implementation and administration of the program adopted by the conference.

   e) To provide program resources and assistance in program planning and implementation for local churches.

   f) To provide staff personnel for implementing and administering the conference program.

   g) To provide channels of communication between Annual Conference agencies and local churches.

   h) To give leadership in research and planning for the conference and to cooperate with other research and planning agencies.
i) To cooperate in ecumenical projects and events which have been approved by the conference.

j) To study and coordinate the budget askings of the conference agencies as they relate to conference program and to make recommendations in accordance with the procedure set forth in the standing rules.

k) To interpret the conference program to the local churches with a view to gaining the financial support needed in order to implement that program.

11. There shall be a Committee on Interpretation, (6842) composed of nine chosen by and amenable to the conference Program Council, having the following functions:
   a) To promote the program of world service and other general benevolence causes in the pastoral charges of the conference in cooperation with the Division of Interpretation of the General Program Council.
   b) To coordinate the promotion of all approved general and conference benevolence causes, including general and conference Advance specials, the One Great Hour of Sharing, the Fellowship of Suffering and Service, the Interdenominational Cooperation Fund, and other general benevolence causes except as otherwise directed by the General Conference.
   c) To assign the responsibility for the promotion of approved causes that do not clearly belong to an existing agency.

12. There shall be a Committee on Communication, which shall combine the functions of public relations, television, radio and film communication, and publishing interests composed of nine, chosen by and amenable to the conference Program Council, having the following functions:
   a) To promote the principles of good communication.
   b) To provide a conference public relations office.
   c) To promote the use of mass-communication methods and materials by the local churches.
   d) To establish audio-visual libraries and assist in training audio-visual librarians.
   e) To produce and distribute programs for conference-wide use.
   f) To serve other agencies of the conference.
   g) To cooperate with other agencies to organize and train local church inter-commission audio-visual committees.
   h) To cooperate with the Division of Television, Radio and Film Communication in the promotion and placement of television and radio programs within the conference.
   i) To cooperate with the Department of Communication of the Minnesota Council of Churches and other appropriate agencies.
   j) To promote the interests of the publishing houses.

**D. BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES**

The boards, commissions and committees of the conference shall be organized in accordance with the provisions of the Discipline. Where the disciplinary structure is mandatory, it is referred to in this document by its paragraph number in the 1968 Discipline. Where it is optional, and where it is adopted for the Minnesota Annual Conference, a specific statement will be made to that effect, again with reference to the paragraph of the permissive legislation.

According to the Plan of Union of the two denominations, representation on these boards by the uniting conferences is based upon the total local church membership of each conference with the further stipulation that initially the
former EUB representation will be twice that to which it would be entitled on a proportionate basis. The ratio of church membership is 8:1 between the two conferences. Therefore the initial ratio of representation will be 4:1. The number to be named to each board by each conference is indicated. Each conference will follow its own procedures for electing its share of the membership for terms beginning in 1969.

Unless otherwise indicated maximum tenure on the boards and agencies of the conference shall be eight years. Those who have served on a similar board in one of the former conferences for two quadrenniums or less may serve one additional quadrennium.

I. Board of Trustees (¶ 1519—1521)

Membership:

Six ministers at least thirty years of age
Six laymen at least thirty years of age
Total membership 12
Methodist 9
EUB 3

The first Board of Trustees shall be structured as follows:

Class of 1970: Class of 1971: Class of 1972:
One EUB minister One EUB layman One EUB minister
One Methodist minister One Methodist layman One Methodist minister
Two Methodist laymen Two Methodist ministers Two Methodist laymen

The bylaws of the Board of Trustees as printed on page 199 of the Official Journal and Yearbook of the 1968 Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church (Methodist) shall be accepted, with the exception that the words "an auditor" in Section II be deleted, and the word "and" be placed in front of "a treasurer."

II. Board of Pensions (¶ 1380)

Membership:

8 ministers elected quadrennially in two classes for eight year terms
8 laymen elected quadrennially in two classes for eight year terms
Total membership 16
Methodist 12
EUB 4

The first Board of Pensions shall be structured as follows:

Class of 1972: Class of 1976:
One EUB minister One EUB minister
One EUB layman One EUB layman
Three Methodist ministers Three Methodist ministers
Three Methodist laymen Three Methodist laymen

III. Board of Education (¶ 1104-24)

Until such time as the General or Annual Conference shall determine otherwise, the Minnesota conference Board of Education shall function in three sections as follows:

A. Section on the Local Church including the work of committees and councils on children's ministries, youth ministries, adult ministries and family ministries and the service of the board to those corresponding ministries in the local church, as described in the Discipline.
B. Section on Camps and Conferences.

C. Section on Higher Education and Campus Ministry.

Membership: (¶ 1105)

12 persons representing local church activities
10 persons representing camp activities
8 persons representing campus ministry and higher education

Total membership: 30

Methodist: 24—10, 8, 6 in above categories
EUB: 6—2 in each category

The conference Program Council through its personnel committee shall name the conference director or directors of education. (¶ 1109.1)

District directors of education shall be nominated initially by staff persons presently responsible for education and/or nurture, to take their several offices following election at the uniting conference. (¶ 1123.1)

1. Committee on Camps and Conferences (¶ 1111.2)

Membership:

conference director of Christian education
three members of the Board of Education including a youth and a young adult (one EUB, two Methodist)
conference directors of camps and conferences, children's ministry, youth ministry, adult ministry
one district superintendent elected by the Cabinet
chairmen of district committees of camps and conferences
one from each camp board of management 7 (2 EUB, 5 Methodist)
one from conference Board of Trustees
one from Women's Society of Christian Service
one from conference Board of the Laity
six members at large (3 EUB, 3 Methodist)
one from Koronis Summer Assembly (EUB)
one from other assemblies or camp meetings

Total membership: 34

Methodist: 27
EUB: 7 (as indicated above)

2. Committee on Christian Higher Education and Campus Ministries (¶ 1114)

Membership:

the bishop
one district superintendent
conference staff person related to higher education
conference director of campus ministry
eight members of Board of Education
one representative of Hamline University
one member of Association of Campus Ministries
ten members at large at least five of whom shall be students

Total membership excluding ex officio: 20

Methodist: 16
EUB: 4

In addition or supplementary to specified disciplinary functions, the following shall pertain to the committee's work in this conference:

— to equip persons in colleges and universities to be ministers in their work;
— to provide for requirements of the Discipline, including financial support of campus ministries and institutions;
—to study problems of higher education and campus ministry and to provide a channel of communication for those engaged in campus ministry and those responsible for policy making;
— to encourage ecumenical ministries;
— to offer support to new campuses and newly developing campus ministries;
— to consider the adequate support of United Methodist institutions of higher education.

This committee shall be responsible for our common ministry with the state colleges and the University of Minnesota and shall seek the best ways to fulfill this ministry in mission and ecumenical endeavor.

This committee shall continue to support related institutions of higher education—Hamline, Rust, North Central, Westmar (recruitment only), Garrett, Evangelical Theological Seminary—and fulfill existing relationships subject to the review of the future commitments of the new United Methodist Church.

3. Council on Youth Ministry (¶ 1122)

Membership:
15 youth (5 EUB, 10 Methodist; EUB: 3 for 1 year, 2 for 2 years)
15 adults (5 EUB, 10 Methodist)

The document pertaining to the work of the Youth Council is included in SECTION V.

IV. Board of Evangelism (¶¶ 1146-1155)

Membership:
one district superintendent
conference secretary or director of evangelism
the district secretaries of evangelism
one pastor and one layman from each district
laywoman from Women's Society of Christian Service
layman from Board of the Laity
representative of conference United Methodist Youth Fellowship
“no more than ten” at large named by board after organization

Total membership 39
Methodist 31
EUB 8

V. Board of the Ministry (¶ 665)

Membership:
thirty ministers in full connection

Total membership 30
Methodist 24 (maximum)
EUB 6 (minimum)

(The committee recommends an initial division of twenty-two Methodist and eight EUB)

Executive Committee:
Chairman
Vice-chairman
Secretary
Budget Coordinator
Registrar
Chairman, Committee on Conference Relations
Standing Committees
Interview Committee
Committee on Conference Relations
Committee on Continuing Education
Committee on Ministerial Education Fund
Committee on Counseling Elders
Committee on Recruitment
Committee on Counseling Resources
Committee on Ministerial Standards
Committee on Ordination

VI. Board of Health and Welfare Ministries (¶ 1173)
Membership:
- one ministerial and one lay member from each district
- member of general board within conference
- administrators of hospitals and homes related to conference,
ex officio without vote
Total voting membership 16
  Methodist 12
  EUB 4

VII. Board of the Laity (¶¶ 1247-1260)
Membership:
- conference lay leader 1
- associate conference lay leaders 2
- district lay leaders 8
- associate district lay leaders 16
- district superintendents 8
- members of general and jurisdictional boards
- conference directors of program activities 3
- directors of adult, youth and children's work 3
- conference president of United Methodist Men 1
- conference president of WSCS 1
- conference president of UMYF 1
- minister from each district 8
Total membership 52
  Methodist 41
  EUB 11

A. Commission of Lay Life and Work
Membership:
- district lay leaders
- associate district lay leaders for Lay Life and Work
- associate conference lay leader for Lay Life and Work
- district superintendents
- directors of adult, youth, children's work
- president United Methodist Men
- president of WSCS
- president of UMYF
B. Commission of Stewardship and Finance

Membership:
- associate conference lay leader for Stewardship and Finance
- district directors of stewardship
- minister from each district
- one district superintendent

ex officio:
- conference director of stewardship
- bishop
- conference lay leader

VIII. Board of Missions (§§ 1358-1373)

A. Section on Parish Development and Community Service (¶ 1370)

(30 including a superintendent)

1. Department of Urban Ministries (18)
   - 3 district representatives (metropolitan)
   - 1 at large
   - 11 representing urban mission concerns
     - 1 from high school
     - 1 from college
     - 1 from young adults

2. Department of Smaller Community Ministries (11)
   - 5 district representatives (outstate)
   - 2 at large (smaller communities)
   - WSCS president
   - representative from Board of Education
     - 1 from high school
     - church and community worker

B. Section on Minnesota Missions and Church Extension (15) (¶ 1366)

1. Department of Church Aid and Department of Church Extension
   - 8 district representatives
   - 3 representatives from city unions
   - conference secretary of evangelism
   - chairman of Minimum Salary Committee
     - 1 at large
     - a superintendent

C. Section on Education and Cultivation (20) (¶ 1362)

- 8 district secretaries
- 8 WSCS district representatives
- conference lay leader
- WSCS chairman of missionary education
- Overseas Relief Committee representative
- one superintendent

It is understood that the Bureau of Research and Survey works with all three sections, two members from each section.

Total membership 60
- Methodist 48
- EUB 12

In the Minnesota Annual Conference, the Board of Missions shall fulfill its disciplinary responsibility within the following structure.

Organization
The board shall be organized initially into three major sections: (1) Parish
Development and Community Services (¶ 1370); (2) Minnesota Missions and Church Extension (¶ 1366); and (3) Education and Cultivation (¶ 1362).

A. The Section on Parish Development and Community Service shall include a Department of Urban Ministries and a Department of Small Communities, each functioning in its area of service with allocated budget. The Department of Urban Ministries shall be appointed and organized in harmony with The Book of Discipline (¶ 1369.1) and shall include within it the functions performed by the Metropolitan Coordinating Commission of the former Methodist conference. The Board of Missions may co-opt persons with specialized skills in order to carry out these functions.

B. A Bureau of Research and Study shall be established to be supportive to the three sections (¶ 1367).

C. The sections and departments shall be organized with a chairman and recording secretary, named by the conference nominating committee. Other organization shall be at the discretion of each group.

D. There shall be an executive committee of the board consisting of the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary of the board, section and department chairman, and the president of the conference Women’s Society of Christian Service, with the conference treasurer and conference staff assigned to the board serving as advisory members.

Membership

The membership of the board shall consist of the bishop, 60 members as named in the Discipline (¶ 1358) and as recommended by the conference nominating committee.

Meetings

The board shall meet annually to review its work, adopt budget and prepare recommendations for Annual Conference. The sections shall meet semi-annually, one meeting of which may be in conjunction with the annual meeting, at which time program will be planned or executed. The departments may meet as frequently as their program requires and budget provides. Special meetings of the board may be called by the executive committee.

Relationships

The board, as an agency of the Annual Conference, is responsible for coordinating its program through the conference Program Council and functioning within the conference established budget. The Program Council, which includes the Cabinet, will make staff assignments according to request and feasibility.

IX. Board of Christian Social Concerns (¶ 1004-5)

Membership:
- district directors of Christian Social Concerns
- a district superintendent
- member of General Board residing in Minnesota
- conference WSCS secretary of Christian Social Relations
- district WSCS secretaries of Christian Social Relations
- a high school youth
- a college student
- other ministers and laymen at large to bring total membership to sixty
with approximately equal representation of ministers and laymen and among the laymen of men and women.

Total membership 60
Methodist 48
EUB 12

Executive Committee:
Chairman
Vice-chairman
Secretary
Assistant treasurer
Public Relations chairman
Chairman, General Welfare
Chairman, Human Relations
Chairman, World Peace
WSCS conference secretary of Christian Social Relations

X. Commission on Worship (¶ 1387)
one minister from each district
one layman from each district
one district superintendent
members at large

XI. Commission on Ecumenical Affairs (¶ 1391)
at least one minister and one layman per district
others as conference may direct
Total membership 14 (Minimum)
Methodist 11
EUB 3

XII. Commission on Archives and History (¶ 1411)
two persons from each district
four members at large
(in four classes of five members each for four-year term)
three or more consultants selected by the commission
Total membership 20 (excluding consultants)
Methodist 16 (four per class)
EUB 4 (one per class)

XIII. Commission on Enlistment for Church Occupations (¶ 666)
Membership:
representative of the Cabinet
conference program director
conference directors of youth and adult work
chairman or member of Board of the Ministry
one representative each from Boards of Christian Social
Concerns, Education, Evangelism, Health and Welfare
Ministries, Laity and Missions
conference WSCS chairman of missionary education
representative of the Campus Ministry
a deaconess
one youth not over eighteen years of age
district secretaries of enlistment for church occupations

XIV. Committee on the Lay Worker (¶ 667)
Membership:
"no fewer than six nor more than fifteen members, of whom two-thirds shall be laity. It shall include one representative from the Board of the Ministry."
XV. Commission on World Service and Finance (§§ 898-918)

There shall be a Commission on World Service and Finance, nominated by the district superintendents and elected by the Annual Conference.

Membership:
- five ministers
- six laymen

Total membership 11
Methodist 8
EUB 3

MISCELLANEOUS RECOMMENDATIONS

Program Council

1. During the first year of union the conference program staff shall consist of not to exceed five full-time persons. During the year a thorough evaluation of staff services and requirements shall be made, and the number of persons employed as conference program staff for the second year shall be determined following such objective evaluation.

2. The conference treasurer, who is not included in the five above, shall be amenable to the Commission on World Service and Finance rather than the Program Council.

3. The total conference staff shall include the full-time staff persons employed by the Program Council, the Board of Missions and the Commission on World Service and Finance.

4. The executive committee of the Program Council, in consultation with the bishop, shall arrange for any needed change in the headquarters' office layout and shall assign office and other space.

5. In order to maintain the 1:4 ratio, the nominating committees shall fill the chairmanships of conference boards, commissions and committees as follows:

**EUB:**
- Board of Evangelism
- Board of Missions
- Commission on Worship
- Commission on Archives and History
- Nominating Committee

**Methodist:**
- Board of Pensions
- Board of Trustees
- Board of Education
- Board of the Ministry
- Board of Health and Welfare Ministries
- Board of the Laity
- Board of Christian Social Concerns
- Commission on World Service and Finance
- Commission on Enlistment for Church Occupations
- Capital Facilities Development and Finance Commission
- Committee on Interpretation
- Committee on Communication
- Committee on Policy, Structure and Strategy
- Committee on Conference Session
- Committee on Courtesies
- Committee on Moving
Committee on Standing Rules
Superintendents' Counseling Committee

6. Whereas there is a lack of clarification with regard to how the Mann Fund Resources will be committed for the purpose of making studies, therefore be it resolved that it is the understanding of this Annual Conference that the Board of Trustees has jurisdiction over the Mann Fund, and be it further resolved that the Council on Ministries be charged with the determination of what studies shall be funded by these resources.

b. The minimum salary schedule including utilities for ministers in full connection giving full-time service for 1972 shall be as follows:

(1) Base salary: $6,400

"For the year 1972 the following shall be authorized to appeal for funds: Good Will Industries; Southwest Minnesota State College Area for Campus Religious Center Building; the Vocational Internship Program; the Southwest Methodist Concern Fund; the Lakeview Methodist Home, Fairmont; the Paul Watkins Memorial Methodist Home, Winona; the Wesley Foundations; Kingswood Camp; Northern Pines Camp; and the Hamline Development Fund.

Commission on World Service and Finance

1. The district superintendents' salaries shall be determined annually on the basis of the average salary for the preceding year of the senior pastors of the top twenty-five churches plus a 3% increment and actual utilities.

2. World service, salaries and pension funds shall receive priority in payment from the conference budget.

3. Effective July 1, 1969, the treasurers' functions and the approved 1969 budgets of the two conferences shall be combined into one function. One treasurer's report shall be issued for the entire year; however, a report shall be published in the 1970 conference journal indicating the amount of funds combined on July 1, 1969.

4. The full amount of the General Conference asking for the Ministerial Education Fund shall be apportioned to the churches of the conference separately from the apportionment for the conference budget.


6. The present travel expense policies for the respective conferences shall remain without change for the balance of 1969.

7. Over the period of the balance of this quadrennium, the Commission on World Service and Finance shall effect such changes as are necessary to place all churches on the same basis for sharing the Christian Service Fund.

Board of Missions

1. Through the Department of Urban Ministries of the Board of Missions the Annual Conference shall relate to, elect members of, and support the Joint Urban Mission Project, the Greater Urban Parish and the Metropolitan Young Adult Ministry.
Board of Trustees
1. The Mutual Benefit Insurance Society shall be granted the privilege of continuing as a permissive organization of the Annual Conference. Its existing constitution is recognized, and it is requested that it be printed and separately distributed by the society for the information of the conference.

2. The Minnesota United Methodist Federal Credit Union is recognized as a federally chartered autonomous credit union operating within the Minnesota Annual Conference.

3. The Minnesota Statutes Annotated as printed on pages 52 and 53 of the 1968 Official Record of The United Methodist Church (EUB) shall be printed each year in the Official Journal and Yearbook of the Minnesota Annual Conference.

4. The program and budget of the Old Salem Historical Shrine shall be the responsibility of the Historical Society of the conference.

5. The Annuity Fund of the Minnesota Conference (EUB) shall continue until its current obligations are fulfilled.

6. The Centennial Revolving Loan Fund (Methodist), now known as the "Centennial Account," and the Permanent Church Extension Fund (EUB) shall become the Permanent Church Extension Fund of the Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church. This fund shall serve as a credit base for the Capital Facilities Development Program and for emergency short term loans to churches within the conference for church extension or expansion purposes. The annual income from the fund shall be used for church extension as directed by the proper division of the Board of Missions with the approval of the conference. In order that the Permanent Church Extension Fund might continue to grow, the conference shall sponsor a "Living Memorials" program (as previously administered in the EUB conference) promoted annually through the stewardship department of the church. Such "Living Memorials" shall be added to the Permanent Church Extension Fund.


8. It is recommended that the conference trustees sell two conference-owned houses, no longer needed for staff or superintendents, and apply the proceeds where, according to their judgment, the best interests of the conference shall be served.

Pensions
1. Minnesota Conference Pensions, Inc. shall be continued in the Minnesota Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church as a pension corporation existing for the benefit of the retired or disabled ministers of the conference and their widows and children in accordance with its Articles of Incorporation printed in the 1948 journal of the Minnesota Annual Conference of The Methodist Church.

Official Journal and Yearbook
1. One journal with proceedings in three sections, for the separate conferences and the united conference, shall be published for 1969.

Education
1. A committee shall be appointed to evaluate the current Summer Assembly Program (EUB) and to project plans for continuing, adjusting or discontinuing it. Its report shall be presented to the Board of Education at the fall, 1969, meeting. The committee shall include:
the 1969 director of Assembly Program Committee, Richard Smith, convenor
the director of youth ministries
three youth selected by conference Council on Youth Ministries
the director of evangelism
the director of education
the president of the Board of the Ministry
four lay people including the conference lay leader, a layman named by the
Board of the Laity, an EUB minister's wife, and a woman named by the
WSCS.

Health and Welfare
1. The former EUB conference and the Uniting Conference shall accept continuing financial responsibilities for the support of the homes of the former EUB Church as set forth in ¶ 1173.2 and ¶ 1169.11 of the Discipline. Monies raised through the annual Christmas offering in the former EUB churches shall be channeled through the Minnesota Annual Conference treasury to the Central Treasury Council on World Service and Finance. Support shall continue for the following homes until such time as the conference is released from this responsibility by the General Board of Health and Welfare Ministries. It is recommended the Annual Conference raise at least the same amount ($4,342.80*) as was raised in 1966 (1967 figures not available).

The former EUB homes receiving support are:
Flat Rock Children's Home, Flat Rock, Ohio
The Western Home, Cedar Falls, Iowa
Friendly Acres, Newton, Kansas
Haven Hubbard Memorial Home, New Carlisle, Indiana
The Otterbein Home, Lebanon, Ohio

* Recommended by North Central Jurisdictional Ad hoc Committee, Health and Welfare Ministries meeting in Chicago, October 17, 1968.

SECTION II.

MINNESOTA STATUTES ANNOTATED

The following provisions will apply to most Churches but are superseded by the provisions of the nonprofit corporation law, Chapter 317 of Minnesota Statutes Annotated, for those Churches which have been incorporated under this law which first became effective in 1951 or for those Churches which have elected to come under this law. Reference should be made to Chapter 317 for the provisions applicable to such Churches.

315.06--Trustees, Terms, Election; Quorum

The term of office of the trustees shall be three years and until their successors are qualified. Immediately after their first election they shall be divided by lot into three classes, the first class retiring at the end of the first year, the second at the end of the second year, and the third at the end of the third year; and, as near as may be, one-third of the whole number shall thereafter be chosen annually. Two trustees may call a meeting of their board, and, when assembled, a majority of their whole number shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business. FIFTEEN DAYS before the expiration of the term of office of any trustee the clerk shall give notice of the election of his successor, by posting the same at the place where the society statedly meets for worship, therein stating the NAME of the TRUSTEE and the TIME AND PLACE of election; and in addition to such notice the minister or some other officer of such church or society shall give
PUBLIC NOTICE of such election to the congregation at least one week before the election. These foregoing provisions shall apply to filling vacancies by death, resignation, or removal.

315.07—Voters, Qualifications

No person belonging to any such church, congregation, or society shall be entitled to vote at any election after its incorporation until he has been an attendant on public worship in such church, congregation, or society at least six months before the election, and contributed to its support according to its usages and customs. The clerk of the trustees shall keep a register of all persons who desire to become stated hearers in such church, congregation, or society, and therein note the time of such request, and he shall attend all subsequent elections in order to test the qualifications of such votes in case of question.

LEGAL FORM FOR NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that at the church of the Minnesota Conference of the United Methodist Church, situated in the city of County of 

and State of Minnesota, on (name of day) the day of 196 at the hour of o'clock in the noon of said day, there will be a meeting of the qualified voters of said society for the purpose of electing trustees of said society, caused by the expiration of the term of office of the following named trustees, to wit:

and

Dated this day of 19...

President.

Secretary.

317: 26—Sale or Encumbrance of Real Estate

The Minnesota Legislature (Ch. 710, 1963) has provided that all churches, whether or not they were incorporated under Chapter 315 or Chapter 317, may now use the simplified procedure of a single mailed notice preceding a congregation meeting to authorize the sale or encumbrance of real estate. This eliminates the statutory requirement for four successive weekly notices if the church chooses the new procedure. The Conference has recommended that all churches use the new procedure. This procedure, which is set out in Section 317.26, Subdivision 2, of Minnesota Statutes, provides that the church board shall approve a resolution recommending the sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, encumbrance, or other disposition, and submit it for adoption at a meeting of the members with voting rights, which meeting may be an annual, regular, or special meeting. A notice stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting is to be sent or delivered by a duly authorized person to each voting member at his address according to the last available church records not less than five nor more than thirty days before the meeting, excluding the day of the meeting. Unless the Articles or By-Laws require a greater vote, the statute provides that the resolution is adopted upon receiving the affirmative votes of a majority of the members who vote upon the resolution.
XI. Pastoral Records

(C) Record of Ministerial Service

This record is published in keeping with the requirements of the Discipline and the orders of the Minnesota Annual Conference. All admissions, ordinations and appointments are in the Minnesota Conference unless otherwise indicated. Conference names are abbreviated and in (CAPS) type. Dates are for the first year of each appointment, and unless it is otherwise indicated that appointment continued until the date of the next listed appointment. Records are from the journals of the Minnesota Conference and the service records of the Board of Pensions. Errors or omissions should be reported to the conference secretary in writing. Information regarding members' education has been personally solicited and that published is limited to degrees received.

Easily recognized terminology of the church is abbreviated. Commonly used abbreviations include: Adm (Admitted), OT (On Trial), P (Probability-beginning 1968), FM (Full Member), AM (Associate Member), Ord (Ordained), D (Deacon), E (Elder), Ed (Education), App (Appointments), AS (Attending School), Sup ( Supernumerary), SL (Sabbatical Leave), DS (District Superintendent), Ct (Circuit), R (Retired), L (Located).

Ordination dates are not included when they coincide with admission on trial and full membership.


ACHTERKIRCH, DAVID B.—Ed: AB Hamline 1935; BD Drew 1938; Adm: OT N Y 1931; FM 1939; Ord: D 1938; E 1939; App: Kerhonkson 1938; Pine Bush 1939; Hurleyville 1941; MINN Preston 1943; N MINN Ada-Beltrami 1946; Balaton-Lybd 1952; Byron 1958; Pine Island 1964

ADELMANN, LAWRENCE M.—Ed: BA North Central 1923; BD E. T. S. 1925; Adm: FM 1926; Ord: E 1928; App: Lamberton Ct. 1925; Zion 1930; Sargeant 1936; Sargeant-Kasson 1939; Sargeant 1940; Kenyon 1955; R 1960; Sargeant 1963-65


ALLEN, IRA B.—Ed: BA Simpson 1937; BD Garrett 1940; DD Simpson; Adm: OT IOWA DESM 1937; FM 1939; App: AS 1937; Sioux City Wall Street Mission 1940; Malvern 1941; Chaplain USA 1942; Sidney-Thurman 1946; MINN St. Paul Central Park 1947; DS Northwest 1958; Mpls. Asbury 1964; SL 1971


ALLIN, WILLARD S.—Ed: BA Minnesota 1942; BD Drew 1945; Adm: OT N MINN 1942; FM 1945; Ord: D 1944; E 1945; App: AS 1942; Two Harbors 1945; Brainerd 1949; St. Paul Cleveland Ave. 1955; Mpls. Edgewater 1964; DS Southwest 1969


ANDERSON, ALFRED—Adm: OT NORW-DAN 1924; FM 1927; Ord: D 1924; E 1930; App: Canby 1921; Lake Lillian 1922; Omaha, Neb. 1927; Newburg 1929; Stoughton, Wis. 1934; Hillsboro, N. D. 1937; Superior, Wis. 1943; N MINN Duluth Asbury-Hillside 1947; International Falls 1953; R 1954; Brownsdale-Dexter 1954-56


ASP, A LLOYD—Ed: BA Minnesota 1932; Garrett; Adm: OT W WISC 1940; FM 1942; Ord: D 1943; E 1954; App: Soldiers Grove Cj 1939; Chemek Cj 1942; Hudson 1946; MINN Lake City 1952; Hector-Churchill 1959; Duluth Wesley-Brookston 1963; Adrian-Magnolia 1966; Jordan- Lydia 1969

ASP, OBED—Adm: OY NORW-DAN 1921; FM 1923; Ord: D 1923; E 1927; Central NW Loc. 1931; Readm: W WISC 1935; App: Lewis 1934; Colfax 1936; Niellsville 1939; Glenwood City 1943; MINN Lake City 1952; Hector-Churchill 1959; Duluth Wesley-Brookston 1963; Adrian-Magnolia 1966; Alden-Minnesota Lake 1968


AUSTIN, S. HERBERT—Ed: BA Mullikin 1927; BD Garrett 1931; Adm: OT PAC NW 1932; FM 1935; App: St. Maries, Id. 1931; Farmington, Wash. 1934; Grafton, Ill (S) 1937; W WISC Albany 1939; Mazomanie 1942; Montfort 1944; Durand 1950; MINN Morgan-New Avon 1953; Preston-Lanesboro 1955; Adrian-Magnolia 1958; Raymond 1963; Alden-Minnesota Lake 1968

BAILEY, GORDON E.—Adm: OT 1923; FM 1925; Ord: D 1925; E 1927; App: Mpls. Simpson (A) 1923; Mpls. Trinity 1927; DS Duluth 1940; Hibbing 1945; St. Paul Trinity 1953; R 1958; Stewartville 1958-61


BASS, SOLOMON A.—Ed: BA Cumberland 1939; BD Vanderbilt 1942; Adm: OT TENN 1935; FM 1937; Ord: D 1937; E 1939; App: Rome-Mt. Olive 1935; Jacob's Hill Cj 1936; Smyrna 1940; Chaplain USA 1942; Tracey City 1946; NE OHIO Brewster 1947; Bridgeport 1952; MINN Detroit Lakes 1958; St. Paul Cleveland Ave. 1964; Waseca 1967; Stewartville-Summer Center 1970


BAUMHOFER, EARL F.—Ed: PhB Hamline 1913; MA Hamline 1916; STB Boston 1918; Adm: OT 1915; FM 1918; App: Cedar Mills-Spring Grove 1909; Zimmerman 1910; Eden Prairie-Bloomington Ferry 1911; S NEW ENG Hanover 1914; Parker's Lake-Golden Valley 1915; Mora 1918; Duluth Woodland-Gary 1919; Eveleth 1921; Hibbing 1923; Crookston 1926; Mpls. Lake Harriet 1929; Fergus Falls 1932; DS Litchfield 1938; Conf. Bd. of Education (Ex Sec) 1944; SL 1947; Mpls. Council of Churches 1948; R 1956

BECK, KENNETH O.—Ed: BA Hamline 1948; BD Garrett 1951; Adm: OT 1948; FM 1951; Ord: D 1950; E 1951; App: AS 1948; Mpls. Oxboro-Bloomington Ferry 1951; Raymond 1953; St. Paul Christ (Dayton's Bluff) 1956; St. Cloud 1963

BECKENDORF, ARTHUR L.—Adm: OT 1910; FM PHILIPPINES 1917; App: Missionary Philippine Islands 1917; Bd. of Missions 1931; CALIF Harmony 1934; MINN Dodge Center 1937; Lake Benton 1940; St. Paul Midway 1943; West St. Paul 1946; R 1950
BECKER, CLINTON—Ed: BA North Central 1950; BD Evangelical Theological Seminary 1953; Adm: FM 1953; App: Odessa 1953; Fergus Falls Peace 1959; Chaffield, Fountain 1971


BELL, GEORGE R.—Ed: AB Cornell (Iowa) 1924; AM Northwestern 1927; BD Garrett 1929; Adm: OT UPPER IOWA 1923; FM ILL 1928; Ord: D 1928; E 1929; App: Des Moines First (A) 1927; ILLINOIS 1928; W WISC 1937; MINN Springfield 1952; Mora-Ogilvie 1956; Farmington 1959; R 1962; Brookside Manor, Montevideo 1967


BENJAMIN, WALTER W.—Ed: OT 1951; FM 1953; Ord: D 1952; E 1953; App: AS 1951; Prof Morningside College 1957; N IOWA 1958; FM 1946; Ord: D 1943; E 1946; App: AS 1942; Delaware St Paul’s 1944; Wilshire 1947; MINN Waterville-Janesville 1951; Alcoholic Referral Center 1962; Duluth Hillside-Norton Park 1964; Tracy 1966

BIESBELL, EDWIN O.—Ed: BS Ohio State 1936; BD Garrett 1944; Adm: OY OHIO 1942; FM 1946; Ord: D 1943; E 1946; App: AS 1942; Delaware St Paul’s 1944; Wilshire 1947; MINN Waterville-Janesville 1951; Kimball-Annandale 1953; Cosmos 1956; add Prior Lake 1962; Little Falls-Royalton 1957; Lake Lillian-Spring Grove 1951; Clinton 1961; Winnebago 1964; Slayton-Lake Wilson 1966

BLACKFORD, JOHN C.—Ed: BS Hamline 1942; BD Asbury 1945; Adm: OT N MINN 1945; FM 1947; Ord: D 1945; E 1945; App: AS 1942; Chaplain USN 1944; Mpls Park Ave. (A) 1946; N DAK New Rockford 1948; MINN Hastings 1951; Lindstrom 1959


BRANN, MERTON L.—Adm: OT 1909; FM 1911; Ord: D 1911; E 1917; App: Fountain 1909; Beaver Creek 1910; AS 1911; Minneiska 1914; Eyota 1915; Amiret 1916; N MINN Montrose 1917; Kimball 1918; Becker 1920; Browns Valley 1925; Appleton 1929


BROWN, PAUL R.—Ed: AB Iowa State Teachers 1926; MA Iowa 1933; BD Garrett 1933; Adm: OT N IOWA 1935; FM 1937; Ord: D 1937; E 1938; App: AS 1935; Jesup -Littleton 1938; Olin-Hale 1938; Traer 1945; Riceville-McIntire 1948; Paulinna-Gaza 1951; Coggan-Silver Creek 1955; Clarksville 1958; Lake Park 1961; MINN LaCrescent-Dakota Dresbach 1965; R 1970; Waterville-Cannonville 1970

BRUDEVOLD, BENNETT G.—Ed: BBA Minnesota 1940; BD Drew 1944; Adm: OT N MINN 1941; FM NEWARK 1944; Ord: D 1943; E 1944; AS 1941; NEWARK Jersey City Bethlehem-Our Savior's 1944; Jersey City Bethany 1945; MINN Mpls. Aldersgate 1947

BRUDELAND, HARRY M.—Ed: Mpls. Hillcrest (A) 1962; PM MINN 1965; App: Kasson 1964; Orchard Gardens 1967


BULLER, WM. H.—Ed: BA Westmar 1929; BD E.T.S. 1932; Adm: FM 1932; Ord: E 1934; App: Fairmont 1932; Springfield 1938; Mayer 1943; Pequot Lakes 1946; South Haven 1953; Kasson 1960; R 1966


BURGESS, E. CLAYTON—Ed: AB Baldwin-Wallace 1926; STB Boston 1929; MTh USC 1940; DD Baldwin-Wallace 1959; Adm: OT S CALIF 1929; FM 1930; Ord: D 1927; E 1929; App: Bishop 1929; Merced 1931; Paso Robles 1933; Artesia 1935; Chino 1939; Long Beach 1944; West Los Angeles 1950; MINN St. Paul St. Anthony Park 1953; Winona Central 1961; Mpls. Columbia Heights 1966; Howard Lake-Montrose 1970

BURGETTE, MERLIN R.—Adm: OT NW IND 1943; FM 1946; App: Leiters Ford Ct 1943; Lakeview-Maple Grove 1945; Flora 1948; Thornton 1949; IND Bath 1951; Indianapolis Inmanuel 1954; Osgood 1956; Corydon 1959; Shelbyville Trinity-Manilla 1964; MINN Sleepy Eye 1968


BUSHENDORF, S. E.—Adm: OT 1920; FM 1924; Ord: D IOWA 1924; E W WISC 1928;
App: Cedar 1924; Adkansaw 1925; Downing 1927; Colby 1932; Sup 1933; S. Holcomb Ct 1934; Cadott 1938; Boyceville-Cedar Falls 1941; Cumberland Ct 1944; N DAK Oakes- Glover-Cogswell 1948; MINN Jeffers-Amo 1951; Staples 1953; Glenwood-Villard 1958; R 1959; Ely 1959-60


CATON, PAUL W.—Ed: BA Hamline 1935; BD Drew 1938; DD Hamline; Adm: OT 1933; FM NY 1938; App: East Branch 1940; Edenville 1942; Chaplain USA 1946; Poughkeepsie Hedding 1949; Pleasantville 1950; Chaplain USA 1950; MINN Richfield 1952


COOK, HERBERT—Ed: BA North Central 1940; BD E. T. S. 1941; Adm: OT 1935; FM 1942; Ord: E 1944; App: Spring Valley 1941; Springfield 1947; Buffalo Lake 1954; Wells Evangelical 1965
COONEY, EDWARD B.—Adm: OT DAK 1914; FM 1918; Ord: D 1918; E 1920; App: Bradley 1914; Wessington 1915; Esmond 1917; Tulare 1919; Plankinton-Dudley 1922; Leola 1926; Miller 1929; Geddes 1933; N. MINN Brooklyn Center 1934; Mpls. Minnehaha 1942; DS Litchfield 1944; Mpls. Park Ave. 1949; DS St. Paul 1952; R 1958

COSS, THURMAN L.—Adm: OT NE OHIO 1951; FM 1953; Ord: D 1952; E 1953; Hamline University 1953; MINN 1959; California Western University 1966

COWMAN, IVAN STEPHEN—Ed: BA Kansas Wesleyan 1930; BD Garrett 1937; Adm: OT NW KAN 1929; FM 1933; Ord: D 1933; E 1935; App: Mentor 1930; Republic 1931; Culver-Tescott 1934; WIS Brodhead 1937; Mineral Point 1939; MINN St. Paul 1942; DS Northwest 1953; Conference Office of Finance 1958; DS Central 1964


CULVER, DWIGHT W.—Adm: P 1944; FM 1949; Ord: D 1946; E 1949; App: AS 1944; Prof Purdue Univ. 1949; NW IND 1950; Prof St. Olaf 1963; St. Catherine 1968; MINN 1969


DAHLE, UPTON E.—Adm: OT NORW-DAN 1922; FM 1924; Ord: D 1923; E 1925; App: Fremont, Neb. 1924; Duluth Bethany 1925; N MINN Ogilvie 1928; Cromwell-McGregor 1930; Ada-Beltrami 1933; Eagle Bend-Clarissa 1935; Perham-Dent-Richville 1938; Osseo 1942; Mpls. Olivet 1945; Chatfield 1951; Gordonville-Glenville 1952; Blooming Grove 1956; R 1959


DAHLE, UPTON E.—Adm: OT NORW-DAN 1922; FM 1924; Ord: D 1923; E 1925; App: Fremont, Neb. 1924; Duluth Bethany 1925; N MINN Ogilvie 1928; Cromwell-McGregor 1930; Ada-Beltrami 1933; Eagle Bend-Clarissa 1935; Perham-Dent-Richville 1938; Osseo 1942; Mpls. Olivet 1945; Chatfield 1951; Gordonville-Glenville 1952; Blooming Grove 1956; R 1959

DAHLE, UPTON E.—Adm: OT NORW-DAN 1922; FM 1924; Ord: D 1923; E 1925; App: Fremont, Neb. 1924; Duluth Bethany 1925; N MINN Ogilvie 1928; Cromwell-McGregor 1930; Ada-Beltrami 1933; Eagle Bend-Clarissa 1935; Perham-Dent-Richville 1938; Osseo 1942; Mpls. Olivet 1945; Chatfield 1951; Gordonville-Glenville 1952; Blooming Grove 1956; R 1959


DAVIS, K. JAMES—BA Minnesota 1965; MDiv Garrett 1968; Adm: OT 1966; FM 1969; App: AS 1966; Duluth Campus Ministry 1969

DAYTON, HAROLD E.—Ed: BA Morningside 1937; BTh Garrett 1942; Adm: OT NW IOWA 1936; FM 1940; Ord: D 1940; E 1943; App: AS 1938; Larchwood 1942; Ocheydan-Harris 1944; MINN Excelsior 1949; LeSueur 1954; Montevideo 1960; Crookston 1967; Duluth Central 1971

DECOURY, FRANK L.—Ed: BA Hamline 1934; BD Drew 1937; Adm: OT 1936; FM 1939; App: Wykoff-Fountain-Fillmore 1937; Brownsdale-Dexter 1941; Sherburn 1947; Redwood Falls 1957; Minister Church Extension 1963; St. Paul Arlington Hills 1969

DITTES, ORVAL C.—Ed: AB Hamline 1924; BD Garrett 1926; DD Hamline 1952; Adm: OT N MINN 1924; FM 1926; App: AS Mt. Greenwood, Ill. 1924; WISC Hartford
MINN Hibbing 1942; DS Duluth 1945; Ex Sec Bd of Ed 1951; Hutchinson 1959; Duluth Hillside-Norton Park 1962; St. Paul Centennial (A) 1964; Hopkins (A) 1965; R 1966; St. Paul First-Trinity (A) 1967

DORN, ROBERT E.—Ed: BA Gustavus 1928; DD Hamline; Adm: OT NOR GERM 1921; FM 1923; Ord: D 1923; E MINN 1925; App: Blooming Grove 1921; St. Peter-Cleveland 1925; LesSueur 1928; Mankato 1933; DS St. Paul 1948; Mpls. Joyce Memorial 1952; R 1960


DOWLER, JAMES E.—Adm: OT 1920; FM 1925; Ord: D 1925; E 1928; App: Barnum-Moose Lake 1920; Crosby 1921; Coleraine-Taconite 1927; Annandale 1928; Delano-Cassell-Armstrong 1932; Ely 1937; Hill City 1948; Pine City 1956; Hill City-Swatara 1962; Wood Lake-Echo 1963

DOUGLAS, RAY H.—Ed: BA Nebraska Wesleyan 1953; ThM IIIff 1957; Adm: OT NEB 1953; FM MINN 1957; Ord: D 1955; E 1957; App: Paynesville Ct 1957; Stillwater 1965; St. Paul Hamline (A) 1965; Brainerd 1966


DREISBACH, FRANK W.—Ed: BA Hamline 1927; BD Garrett 1930; Adm: OT 1924; FM 1929; Ord: D 1929; E 1930; App: Bloomington Ferry 1924; AS 1926; Ada 1930; Perham-Dent-Richville 1931; Mpls. Grace 1933; Brainerd 1935; Anoka 1942; Renville 1946; Alexandria 1947; Byron-Douglas 1950; Stewartville 1954; Waterville 1958; Caledonia-Hokah 1960; Plainview 1962; R 1964


EASTBURN, DAVID J.—Adm: OT IOWA DESM 1939; FM 1943; Ord: D R RIV 1940;
E MINN 1943; App: Luverne 1942; Blue Earth 1944; Fergus Falls 1948; Chaplain, Rochester 1951

ECKHOFF, GUSTAV A.—Adm: OT NOR DAN 1925; FM 1928; App: Scandinavian, Detroit, Mich. 1925; Manistee 1927; Forest City, Iowa 1930; Duluth Bethany 1932; Milan-Canby 1939; N MINN Milan 1943; Glenwood-Grave Lake 1944; Pine River-Emily 1947; Akeley-Hubbard 1950; Hawley 1954; R 1957; Hawley 1957; Northome Ct. 1958; Menhga-Sebeka 1959-61


EDDY, JOHN—Adm: OT 1956; FM 1960; Ord: D 1957; E 1960; App: AS 1956; Mankato (A) 1960; Manistee 1927; Forest City, Iowa 1930; Duluth Bethany 1932; Milan-Canby 1939; N MINN Milan 1943; Glenwood-Grave Lake 1944; Cass Lake-Guthrie 1947; Menhga-Sebeka 1959-61

ENGELBRETSON, ALICE—Adm: AM 1968; Ord: D 1933; E 1935; App: Foxhome-Rothsay-Barnesville 1927; Duluth Norton Park-Gary-Brookston 1929; Crosby-Deerwood-Bay Lake 1929; Humboldt-St. Vincent 1934; Cass Lake-Guthrie 1947; Menhga-Sebeka 1959-61


FLEAGLE, WALTER A.—Adm: OT 1925; FM 1927; Ord: D 1927; E 1929; App: Brook Park 1925; Villard-Westport 1926; Bertha 1929; North Branch 1930; International Falls 1934; Warren 1943; Mpls. Bethlehem-Crystal 1950; R 1953


FLOHR, JOHN R.—Ed: John Fletcher College; BD Drew; Adm: OT NEWARK 1933; FM 1933; App: NEWK West New York; Jersey City St. Paul's Palisades, Westwood; Roseland First; MNN Tracy 1943; Owatonna 1949; Anoka 1960; R 1968

FOOTE, EDWARD W.—Ed: BA Hamline 1933; BD Drew 1936; STM Temple 1942; DD Hamline 1942; Adm: OT N JERS 1932; FM 1935; Ord: D 1935; E 1936; App: Castle Rock 1932; NJ Browns Mills 1934; Jamesburg 1936; Trenton Central 1938; Highland Park 1942; MNN St. Paul Central Park 1944; Mpls. Hobart 1947; DS Central 1951; Director of Finance 1954; Mpls. Hobart 1960; DS Southeast 1965; Duluth First (A) 1969; Mpls. Trinity 1970


FRANK, C. B.—Adm: FM 1909; App: Pequot Lakes 1908; Racine 1910; Duluth 1914; St. Paul (Pine St.) 1918; DS 1920; St. Paul First 1928; Faribault 1935; Stewardship Sec. 1937; Mpls. First 1940; Buffalo Lake 1946; R 1954; Mayer 1964

FRANK, HERBERT S.—Ed: BA North Central 1933; BD E. T. S. 1936; Adm: FM 1937; Ord: D 1936; App: Fergus Falls (A) 1914; St. Paul Calvary 1915; Missionary to China 1919; Danube 1927; Missionary to China 1928; Belligham 1940; Farmington 1945; Sleepy Eye 1953; R 1959

FRIEDMAN, HENRY—Adm: OT GENESEE 1923; FM 1927; Ord: D 1927; E 1928; App: AS 1923; WISC Brandon-Ladoga 1927; Mosinee 1929; Watertown-Johnson Creek 1933; W WISC La Crosse Salzer 1940; Eau Claire 1943; S DAK Rapid City First 1953; MINN Thiel River Falls 1958; Owatonna 1962; R 1967


GISCHRIST, F. C.—Adm: OT 1913; FM 1915; Ord: D 1913; App: Norwood-Lester Prairie 1913; Clinton 1917; R 1918


GOOLD, ARTHUR T.—Ed: AB Syracuse 1931; BD Drew 1939; MST Union 1944; Adm: OT N NY 1931; FM 1934; Ord: D 1934; E 1936; App: N NY Fernwood (Student serving under Superintendent Sept. 1930-April 1931); Vermillion 1933; Chaumont 1932; As 1933; Northwestern 1934; Clinton 1936; NEW YORK CONFERENCE Bellvale-Edenville-New Milford 1938; New York City 18th Street 1940; SOUTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE Timber Lake 1946; Canistota 1949; Woonsocket-Cuthbert 1950; Tripp-Delmont 1952; Alpena-Virgil 1954; MINNESOTA CONFERENCE Rice Lake 1956; Castle Rock-Dundas-Little Prairie 1957; Lake Crystal 1960; LeCenter-Cleveland 1962; Deer Creek-Henning-Ottertail 1967; R 1971
GORDY, DELMONT K.—Ed: BA Indiana Central 1944; BD United Dayton, Ohio 1947; Adm: FM 1933; Ord: E 1942; App: Wrightstown 1933; Viola St. Charles 1935; Grey Eagle 1937; Greenfield Ind. 1942; Otterbein Home, Ohio 1944; Hewitt-Wrightstown, Deer Creek-Ottertail 1947; Austin 1951; St. Paul Calvary 1956; Paynesville 1967


GRAY, DAVID L.—Ed: BS St. Olaf 1955; ThM 1959; Adm: OT 1956; FM 1959; Ord: D 1957; E 1959; App: AS 1956; Atwater-Rosenendale 1959; Little Falls 1963; Crookston 1971

GRESHAM, JOHN—Ed: AB Gustavus 1925; BD Garrett 1930; Adm: OT IDAHO 1930; FM 1938; App: Ontario, Ore. 1930; Boise Immanuel 1931; MINN Walnut Grove 1934; Springfield 1937; Chaplain USNR 1943; N. Mankato 1946; MSPs. Trinity 1952; DS Southwest 1957; Mpls. Hennepin Ave. (A) 1963; R 1968; Mpls. Wesley (A) 1968


GROE, WILBUR D.—Ed: BA DePauw 1921; STB Boston 1924; STM Boston 1926; Adm: OT NEW ENG 1923; FM 1925; App: NEW ENG Newton Highlands, Mass. 1923; Ill Urbana Trinity and Wes Fd 1926; Taylorville 1929; IND Indianapolis 51st St. 1930; DETR Saginaw Jefferson Ave. 1937; MINN St. Paul St. Anthony Park 1943; Mpls. Simpson 1953; Mankato 1958; Conf Prog Dir 1965; R 1970; Fridley (A) 1971

GROSTEMPHAN, JOSEPH H.—Ed: BA Minnesota 1939; STB Boston 1942; Adm: OT 1940; FM 1943; Ord: D 1941; E 1943; App: AS 1940; Herman-Chokio 1942; Park Rapids 1946; Waterville-Janesville 1953; Waterville 1955; Mpls. Walker 1958; Mpls. Emmanuel 1962

GROVER, EUGENE F.—Ed: BA Hamline 1941; BD Yale 1944; Adm: OT N MINN 1942; FM 1945; Ord: D 1944; E 1945; App: AS 1942; Mpls. Olivet 1945; Clarissa-Eagle Bend-Moran Ct. 1945; Beardsley-Browns Valley 1950; Coleraine-Grand Rapids 1954; Coleraine 1955; Caledonia-Hokah 1956; Atkin-Pine Lake 1960; Duluth Wesley-Hillside 1966


HALL, WILBUR C.—Adm; OT 1928; FM 1930; Ord: D 1930; E 1932; App: AS 1932; Rice Lake 1930; St. Paul Wesley Chapel 1931; AS 1932; Ellendale-Geneva 1936; Morristown-Warsaw 1939; Arlington 1941; Chaplain USA 1943; St. Paul Dayton's Bluff 1947; Chaplain USAF 1952; SL 1970; Two Harbors 1971


HALLAND, BARRIS—Ed; BD Asbury 1945; Adm; OT 1942; FM 1945; App; AS 1942; Deadwood-Central City 1945; Faith 1947; Hazel-Thompson 1950; DeSmet-Lake Preston 1953; Onida-Agar 1958; SL 1960; Two Harbors 1971

HANKS, STANLEY G.—Ed; BA Hamline 1952; BD Drew 1955; Adm; OT 1952; FM 1955; Ord: D 1953; E 1955; App: AS 1952; Golden Valley 1955; Austin First 1966

HANSON, ALLYN H.—Ed: BA Hamline 1929; BD Garrett 1932; Adm: OT 1928; FM 1931; Ord: D 1931; E 1932; App: Greenwood 1928; AS 1929; Waite Park 1932; Mpls. Richfield 1937; Mora-Brook Park 1941; Nashwauk-Marble-Pengilly 1944; Aitkin 1948; Fairfax-Franklin 1956; Harmony-State Line 1961; Kasson-Pleasant Corners 1968


HARRIS, ROY M.—Ed: BA John Fletcher 1940; BD Asbury 1947; Adm: OT W WISC 1944; FM MINN 1947; Ord: D 1947; E 1948; App: Benton 1944; MINN AS 1946; LeCenter 1947; Breckenridge-Foxhome 1951; Olivia-Bird Island 1960; Grand Rapids 1965; Dodge Center 1970

HARTF, EMIL M.—Adm: OT 1930; FM 1936; App: AS 1930; Hayden Goodwill Inc., Boston 1939


HAVENS, ROBERT W.—Ed: AB Asbury 1950; BD Drew 1953; MA Scarritt 1958; Adm:
HAYCOCK, WINFIELD S.—Ed: BA Hamline 1939; STB Boston 1942; Adm: OT N MINN 1940; FM 1942; Ord: D 1941; E 1942; App: AS 1940; Mpls. Hennepin Ave. (A) 1943; Duluth First 1949; Rochester Christ (First) 1962

HAYES, PAUL G.—Ed: AB Franklin and Marshall 1917; BD Boston 1920; BVST Hartford 1921; DD Wesley (N. D.) 1949; Adm: OT PHILA 1917; FM 1920; Ord: D 1921; E 1923; APP AS 1920: Mpls. Hennepin Ave. (A) 1943; Duluth First 1949; Rochester Christ (First) 1962

HEADLEY, A. DEAN—Ed: BA Dakota Wesleyan 1933; BD Drew 1938; Adm: OT DAK 1943; FM 1939; Ord: D 1938; E 1939; APP AS 1934: White Lake 1937; Sturges 1940; Huron 1945; MINN Proctor 1946; Eveleth 1949; N. DAK Grand Forks Wes Fd and Wesley College 1951; MINN Anoka 1953; Owatonna 1960; Thief River Falls 1962; Duluth First (A) 1965; Sabbatical 1966; R 1971; Cromwell 1971

HEITKE, ROY S.—Ed: BA North Central 1930; BD E. T. S. 1934; Adm: OT 1928; FM 1935; Ord: E 1937; APP Kasson 1934; Worthington 1939; Morristown 1944; Fergus Falls 1948; Fairmont 1953; Cherry Grove 1960; Wasca 1964; Sargeant 1967


HENDRICKS, MARVIN L.—Ed: BA Indiana Central 1939; BD United Dayton, Ohio 1944; MA Indiana; Adm: FM 1944; APP Pleasant Prairie 1944; Calif. Whittier Congregational Church 1946; Conn. Bethlehem Federated 1949; Prof. Indiana Central 1951

HENRY, HARRY D.—Adm: OT DES MOINES 1917; FM 1922; Ord: D MICH 1922; E 1923; APP Beaver-Berkley 1917; Maxwell 1918; R RIV Dundee 1919; MICH Hillsdale 1922; Burton Heights 1926; IOWA Iowa City 1930; DESM President Iowa Wesleyan; MINN Winona Central 1938; R 1948


HILL, ARTHUR L.—Adm: OT NEWARK 1958; FM MINN 1960; APP AS 1958; MINN Richfield (A) 1960; Blaine 1965; Stillwater 1971

HILLER, HARLEY E.—Ed: BA Westmar 1924; BD E.T.S. 1926; Adm: FM 1925; Ord D 1926; E 1927; APP Ia. Correctionville 1923; Ill. Union Congregational Aurora 1924; St. Paul Winifred 1926; Blue Earth 1930; Duluth 1946; DS 1950; Treas. Gen. BD. of Pensions 1963; R 1970


HILTON, V. E.—Ed: Beloit 1928; BD (Bonebrake) United Dayton, Ohio 1937; Adm: FM 1926; APP Lima Center Wis. 1926; Wis. Cascade 1929; Ohio Trotwood 1934; Wis. Ontario 1937; Rochester Homestead 1939; Blue Earth 1958; R 1969
HINERMAN, C. PHILIP — Ed: AB Asbury 1940; BD Asbury 1943; Adm: OT LOUISVILLE 1941; FM NE OHIO 1945; App: Adena 1943, E. Liverpool 1944, Bellaire 1948; MINN Mpls. Park Ave. 1952


HUBBARD, RUSSELL L. — Ed: BS Michigan 1936; BD Drew; Adm: OT DETROIT 1936; FM 1940; Ord: D 1938; E 1940; App: AS 1936; Lexington 1940; Inkster 1942; Detroit Metropolitan (A) 1944; Royal Oak (A) 1946; MINN Ex Sec Conf Bd of Ed 1948; DS Duluth 1951; St. Cloud 1955; Monticello 1957; Sup 1959; Lakefield 1963; St. Paul Woodbury 1967


HULTIN, PERRY H. — Ed: BA Hamline 1938; BD Union 1941; STM Hartford 1949; Adm: OT WISC 1942, FM MINN 1949; Ord: D NY EAST 1941; E W WISC 1942; Chaplain USA 1942; AS 1946; MINN Montevideo-Rosewood 1949; St. Paul First 1952; Stillwater 1956; St. Paul Centennial 1961; Mankato 1965


INGELIN, PAUL W. — Ed: BS Hamline 1953; BD Drew 1956; Adm: OT 1955; FM 1957; App: AS 1955; Coleraine 1956; Duluth First (A) 1959; Aurora-Hoyt Lakes 1962; Mpls. Grace 1965


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IRELAND, WAYNE L.—Ed: BA Hamline 1943; BD Garrett 1946; Adm: OT 1943; FM 1946; Ord: D 1945; E 1946; App: AS 1943; Wadena 1946; Mpls. Calvary 1949; Duluth Central Ave. 1952; Worthington 1959; DS Northeast 1969


JACKSON, OLIN D.—Ed: BA Dakota Wesleyan 1917; BD Garrett 1924; DD Dakota Wesleyan 1937; DD Harnline 1954; Adm: OT DAK 1919; FM 1921; Ord: D 1921; E 1924; App: Hudson Ct 1919; AS 1922; Salem 1924; Brookings 1927; Mpls. Joyce Memorial 1938; Rochester 1949; DS Northeast 1955; R 1961; Bloomington Ferry 1961-67


JAMES, ROBERT H.—Ed: BA Southwestern 1944; ThM Iliff 1956; Adm: OT SW TEX 1944; FM 1946; App: Runge 1944; Bruni 1947; Lyford 1948; Barksdale 1950; AS 1951; S DAK Rapid City First (A) 1954; Draper-Vivian 1957; Burke-Herrick-St. Charles 1957; Frankfort-Ashton 1960; MINN Slaton-Lake Wilson 1963; Nerstrand-Kenyon 1966; Elmore 1969


JOHNSON, LORENZO —Adm: OT 1914; FM 1916; Ord: D 1916; E 1918; App: Cutler Ct 1913; Holyoke 1915; Hubbard Ct 1916; Deer Creek Ct 1918; PUGET SOUND Pe Ell 1920; Ridgefield Ct 1921; N MINN Moose Lake-Cloquet 1923; Deerwood Ct 1925; Pine City 1929; Raymond 1934; Little Falls 1935; Clearwater-Waite Park 1942; Renville 1947; R 1957


JOHNSON, I. WESLEY —Ed: BA Dak. Wesleyan 1930; STB Boston 1939; Adm: OT 1925; FM 1932; Ord: D 1932; E 1935; App: Morristown-Warsaw-Blooming Grove 1932; Echo-Wood Lake 1935; AS 1938; N. Mankato-Eagle Lake 1939; Marshall 1946; Fergus Falls 1951; Worthington 1953; Brainerd 1959; Redwood Falls 1966


JORANSEN, STUART A.—Ed: BS Northwestern 1941; BD Garrett 1948; Adm: OT CNSW 1939; FM 1941; Ord: D 1939; E 1943; App: Chicago Union Ave. 1937; Mpls. Ebenezer 1940; N MINN Chaplain USA 1943; AS 1946; Anoka-Champlin 1948; Windom 1953; Hibbing 1961; Duluth First (A) 1963; Mpls. Trinity 1965; Stewartville-Summer Center EUB 1966; Mpls. North 1970

KARSTEN, CLARE W.—Ed: BA Hamline 1948; STB Boston 1951; Adm: OT 1948; FM 1950; Ord: D 1950; E 1951; App: AS 1948; Harmony-State Line Granger 1951; Winona
McKinley-Homer 1953; Austin Fellowship 1958; Mpls. First-Wesley Foundation 1964; St. Paul Central Park 1967

KASLOW, GEORGE W.—Adm: OT 1925; FM 1927; Ord: D 1927; E 1931; App: Doran Chapel 1925; Goodhue 1925; Goodhue-Mazeppa 1926; Kellogg-Weaver-Minneapolis 1927; Wykoff-Fountain-Fillmore 1929; LaCrescent-Dakota-Dresbach 1933; Lamberton-Johnsonville 1935; N MINN Little Falls-Royalton 1945; Milaca-Onamia 1951; SL 1952; Mpls. Bethlehem 1953; R 1955

KEECH, DUDLEY A.—Ed: BA Hamline 1939; STB Boston 1942; Adm: OT 1940; FM 1944; Ord: D 1941; E 1944; App: AS 1940; Blooming Prairie-Lansing 1942; Kellogg-Weaver 1945; Gordonsville-Glenville 1948; Lake Benton-Hendricks-Ivanhoe 1952; Heron Lake-Okabena 1957; Winnebago 1966


KLAUS, LEROY H.—Ed: BA Hamline 1925; BD Garrett 1932; Adm: OT 1928; FM 1930; Ord: D 1930; E 1932; App: Mabel-Proper 1928; AS 1930; St. Paul Olivet 1932; Byron 1933; Northfield 1937; American Red Cross 1945; Philippine Missions 1946; Winona McKinley 1947; Pipestone 1949; Willmar 1958; St. Paul Hamline (A) 1961; Stillwater 1965; R 1969


KNOL, HERMAN—Ed: BA Hope 1929; BD New Brunswick 1932; Adm: OT 1934; FM 1936; App: Wykoff-Fountain-Fillmore 1933; Harmony-State Line-Granger 1937; Lake City-Zumbro Falls 1943; Blue Earth 1948; Mpls. Harron 1954; North Mankato 1958; Elk River 1965; R 1968; Winona Central (A) 1968; Mazeppa 1970

KOTTKE, I. E.—Ed: BA North Central 1921; BD E.T.S. 1923; Adm: FM 1924; Ord: E 1926; App: Nerstrand 1923; Marshall 1926; Rochester 1932; Buffalo Lake 1934; Paynesville 1946; Hutchinson 1957; R 1967

KRAFT, HAROLD—Ed: BA North Central 1948; BD E.T.S. 1951; Adm: FM 1951; App: Deer Creek-Ottertail 1951; Rice Lake-Brush Creek 1957; St. Clair-Beauford 1963

KRAFT, VIRGIL A.—Adm: OT PAC NW 1935; FM 1937; Ord: D 1936; E 1937; App: Sequim, Wash. 1935; Niles Center, Ill. 1937; AS 1940; N MINN Mpls Wes Fd-First 1941; SL 1949; Chaplain Dir Methodist Studies Univ of Chicago 1950; Radio Inst of Chicago 1954; Associate and Pastor Peoples Church of Chicago 1957; Fellowship of Faith, Inc., Chicago 1968

KRAMER, ARTHUR—FM 1971; App: Ely 1967


KRUEGER, DELTON H.—Ed: BA Hamline 1951; BD Drew 1954; Adm: OT 1951; FM

KRUEGER, HOWARD W.—Ed: BA Macalester 1961; BD United Dayton, Ohio 1964; Adm: FM 1964; App: Zion; Salem-Ebenezer 1964; Redwood Falls, Middlecreek 1965; Rice Lake-Kiest 1967


LAGROKE, C. MERRITT—Ed: BA Oklahoma City 1925; BD Garrett 1929; Adm: OT OKLA 1923; FM 1926; Ord: D 1926; E 1929; App: AS 1924; Cuthrie-West Side 1929; Chandler 1930; Perry 1932; Lawton 1935; IOWA DESM Centerville 1936; Perry 1940; N MINN Mpls. North 1943; St. Paul Fairmount Ave. 1951; Crookston 1955; Mpls. Joyce Memorial 1960; Winona McKInley 1963; R 1966

LAIDIG, ROBERT V.—Ed: BA Juniata 1938; BD Drew 1942; Adm: OT CENT PA 1938; FM 1942; Ord: D 1941; E 1942; App: Pine Grove Mills 1937; Wilburton-Johnson City 1939; Harveyville 1942; Stewartstown 1947; MINN Mpls. Walker 1951; Excelsior 1958; St. Croix Valley United 1967

LAMBERT, BLAINE—Adm: OT 1913; FM 1915; Ord: D 1911; E 1913; App: Rush City-North Branch 1913; Long Prairie 1914; Osakis Ct 1916; Bemidji 1918; Dist. Miss. 1920; Dist. Evang. 1923; Wadena 1925; Hibbing 1926; DS Duluth 1928; Duluth CentraI Ave. 1934; Hector Ct 1935; SL 1937; Chicago Evang. Inst. 1937; Taylor’s Falls 1941; Kasson 1948; Lambert-Sanborn 1952; R 1953


LAW, WILLIAM G.—Ed: BA Puget Sound 1930; BD Garrett 1933; Adm: OT PAC NW 1930; FM MINN 1933; Ord: D 1932; E 1933; App: AS 1930; MINN Newport 1933; Morrisstown 1933; Farmington 1939; N MINN Mpls. Edgewater 1943; DS St. Paul 1958; Austin First 1961; St. Paul Hamline 1966
LEACH, JAMES A.—Adm: OT WILM 1913; FM 1915; Ord: D 1915; E 1917; App: Church Creek 1913; Saddlersville 1917; Greensborough 1919; Berlin 1923; Wilmington Union 1924; N Y OR kingston Trinity 1929; Middleport 1932; N NY Watertown Asbury 1935; KANS Manhattan 1938; W OKLA Oklahoma City Wesley 1941; SL 1943; N MINN Mpls. Minnehaha 1944; DAK Watertown 1946; MINN Worthington 1949; St. Paul Cleveland Ave. 1953; Faribault 1955; R 1959

LEMASTERS, CLARENCE E.—Adm: OT IND 1949; FM 1951; Ord: D 1951; E 1952; App: Butlerville 1949; Glenwood 1951; MINN Sauk Centre 1952; Ada-Beltrami 1955; Chaplain USN 1959

LEONARD, JONATHAN R.—Adm: OT WISC 1960; FM NEBR 1963; App: Pleasant Prairie-Wesley Chapel 1960; AS 1961; NEBR Cozad (A) 1963; AS 1966; KANS Manhattan 1938; W OKLA Oklahoma City Wesley 1941; SL 1943; N MINN Minneapolis 1944; DAK Watertown 1946; MINN Worthington 1949; St. Paul Cleveland Ave. 1953; Faribault 1955; R 1959

LEMASTERS, CLARENCE E.—Adm: OT IND 1949; FM 1951; Ord: D 1951; E 1952; App: Butlerville 1949; Glenwood 1951; MINN Sauk Centre 1952; Ada-Beltrami 1955; Chaplain USN 1959

LEONARD, JONATHAN R.—Adm: OT WISC 1960; FM NEBR 1963; App: Pleasant Prairie-Wesley Chapel 1960; AS 1961; NEBR Cozad (A) 1963; AS 1966; KANS Manhattan 1938; W OKLA Oklahoma City Wesley 1941; SL 1943; N MINN Minneapolis 1944; DAK Watertown 1946; MINN Worthington 1949; St. Paul Cleveland Ave. 1953; Faribault 1955; R 1959

LEONARD, JONATHAN R.—Adm: OT WISC 1960; FM NEBR 1963; App: Pleasant Prairie-Wesley Chapel 1960; AS 1961; NEBR Cozad (A) 1963; AS 1966; KANS Manhattan 1938; W OKLA Oklahoma City Wesley 1941; SL 1943; N MINN Minneapolis 1944; DAK Watertown 1946; MINN Worthington 1949; St. Paul Cleveland Ave. 1953; Faribault 1955; R 1959


LEWIS, HENRY H.—Ed: BS Hamline 1929; BST Garrett 1932; Adm: OT N MINN 1930; FM 1932; App: AS 1930; Frazee-Vergas 1933; Mpls. Lake Harriet 1934; DAK Sioux Falls First 1935; DS Southern 1960; MINN Hastings 1966; R 1970

LEWIS, JOHN G.—Ed: BS Minnesota 1924; STB Boston 1928; STM Boston 1929; Adm: OT NEW ENG 1926; FM N MINN 1929; Ord: D 1927; E 1929; App: AS 1926; N MINN Perham 1929; Thief River Falls 1930; Mpls. First-Wesley Foundation 1931; Mpls. Hobart 1937; Crookston 1942; St. Paul Fairmount Ave. 1955; St. Paul St. Paul’s 1965; R 1970


LILlico, J. WILBERT—Ed: DD Albert 1907; DD Hamline 1936; Adm: OT N MINN 1930; FM 1931; Ord: D 1917; E 1913; App: Glencoe 1911; Duluth Merritt Memorial 1913; Detroit Lakes 1918; Virginia 1923; DS Litchfield 1930; MINN DS Winona 1938; Red Wing 1939; Worthington 1944; Chaplain Rochester 1947; R 1951

LINDEN, CARL H.—Ed: BA Morningside 1931; ThM Illiff 1935; ThD Illiff 1937; Adm: OT CENT NW 1929; FM 1931; Ord: D 1931; E 1935; App: Sioux City Bethel 1928; Denver Immanuel 1931; Lafayette 1936; St. Paul Midway 1940; Galva, Ill. Grace 1942; Chaplain USA 1943; MINN Lambert 1946; Lutterv-Magnolia 1950; Duluth Lester Park 1956; Rochester (A) 1958; Redwood Falls 1963; St. Paul Centennial (A) 1966; R 1970

LINK, A. I.—Adm: OT 1922; FM 1924; Ord: E 1926; App: Mound Prairie 1922; Fergus Falls 1925; Kenyon 1930; Odessa 1939; Lamberton 1945; R 1956; Lambertson Emmanuel 1971

LIU, I. HSIN—Ed: BA Yenching 1920; MA Boston 1923; MRE Southern California 1925; Adm: OT N CHINA 1937; FM 1941; Ord: D 1941; E 1941; App: Hua En Shigh Church 1922; Sup. Elem. Schools 1922; Cont. Chr. Ed. 1924; AS 1947; Straford, Va. United 1952; MINN Morristown-Elysian 1956; Dodge Center 1960; Blooming Prairie-Lansing 1963; St. Paul Central Park (A) 1965; Stanton-Randolph 1966; R 1970; Wood Lake 1970


LOGAN, REX VERNON—Adm: DAKOTA Cred Presbyterian Church 1957; FM 1958; App: Clear Lake 1957; Watertown 1960; Mino 1965; MINN Jeffers-Amo 1968

LONG, AXEL C.—Adm: OT IOWA DESM 1934; FM NW IOWA 1936; App: Beaconsfield-Grand River 1934; Cushing 1935; Holstein-Cushing 1936; Pocahontas 1938; Rock Rapids 1943; Laurens 1948; Tipton 1952, MINN St. Paul Wesley 1963, Austin First (A) 1966; R 1970


McGILLADREY, MERLIN W.—Adm: OT 1938; FM 1941; Ord: D 1939; E 1941; App: AS 1938; Mpls Richfield 1941; Chaplain USA 1942; Anoka-Champlin 1946; Chaplain USAF 1945; St. Paul Hamline 1942; Prof. Garrett 1946; Gen. Bd. of Education 1953.

MCGLADREY, MERLIN W.—Adm: OT 1938; FM 1941; Ord: D 1939; E 1941; App: AS 1938; Mpls Richfield 1941; Chaplain USA 1942; Anoka-Champlin 1946; Chaplain USAF 1945; St. Paul Hamline 1942; Prof. Garrett 1946; Gen. Bd. of Education 1953.


MERCER, RUSSELL H.—Adm: OT 1923; FM 1925; Ord: D 1925; E 1927; App: Wykoff 1923; Farmington 1926; Stillwater 1929; Winnebago 1934; Fairfax 1937; Hastings 1941; Nerstrand 1942; Waterville 1945; Wadena 1951; Wells 1956; R 1960.


1939; New Brunswick Pitman 1942; West Grove 1945; Freehold 1948; Trenton Pearson Mem. 1952; MINN Mpls. Wesley (A) 1961; Crookston 1964; Mpls. Brunswick 1967; Mpls. Edgewater 1969

NAGEL, CLEMENS I.—Ed: BA North Dakota State 1962; STB Wesley 1965; Adm: OT 1963; FM 1965; App: AS 1963; Bemidji (A) Campus Minister 1966; Excelsior (A) 1969; Sherburn-Welcome Emmanuel 1970

NALL, T. OTTO—Adm: OT 1922; FM 1926; Ord: D 1924; E 1926; App: Medford 1919; Asst Ed Epworth Herald 1922; Editorial Bd. Christian Advocate 1934; Managing Editor 1941; Editor 1948; Bishop MINN Area 1960; Bishop Hongkong-Taiwan 1968


NANNINGA, J. J.—Adm: OT OKLA 1934; FM 1936; Ord: D 1936; E 1938; App. Butler 1934; Delhi 1936; Duke 1938; Blair 1942; Granite 1944; Eldorado 1946; W OKLA SL 1947; Sup 1948; MINN Bigelow (S) 1947, 1948, R 1965

NEAL, PAUL W.—Ed: BA Hamline 1941; BD Garrett 1944; MA Northwestern 1949; Adm: OT N MINN 1941; FM NW IOWA 1943; Elgin, Ill. 1941; NW IOWA Renwick-Hardy 1943; MINN Columbia Heights 1948; Albert Lea 1955; St. Paul First-Trinity 1963; South St. Paul 1971


NICHOLAS, CLARENCE R.—Ed: BA Hamline 1941; BD Garrett 1944; Adm: OT N MINN 1941; FM ILL 1944; Ord: D ILL 1943; E 1944; App: ILL Roanoke-Benson 1942; W Oregon 1943; MINN Farmington-Rosemount 1947; St. Paul St. Paul's 1951; Mpls. Edgewater 1958; Fairmont 1964


NIELSEN, IMMANUEL—Adm: OT 1935; FM 1937; App: Lake Benton-Ivanhoe-Hendricks 1935; Walnut Grove-Holly 1937; Vernon Center-Amboy 1939; Lakefield 1943; Duluth Wesley 1949; Detroit Lakes 1952; Austin First (A) 1958; R 1965


NORTHEM, M. P.—Adm: FM 1927; App: N.Y. Conf. 1923; Ill. Conf. 1925; Minn.
Odessa 1928: Preston St. Charles 1931: Preston-Spring Valley 1935; Pipestone 1936; Cherry Grove 1950; Bellingham 1960; Bellingham-Madison 1963; R 1968

NYBERG, WARREN A.—Ed: BA Hamline 1943; BD Garrett 1946; Adm: OT 1943; FM 1946; Ord: D 1945; E 1946; App: AS 1943; American Church, Montevideo, Uruguay 1946; Mpls. Harron 1951; Red Wing 1954; Mpls. Minnehaha 1961

NYGAARD, ALVIN R.—Adm: OT NOR DAN 1933; FM 1935; App: Mpls. Bethlehem 1933; NW IOWA Lake Mills 1940; Chaplain USA 1943; MINN Vernon Center-Amboy 1946; Willmar 1950; Mpls. Simpson 1958; R 1966

NYMARK, JOHN A.—Adm: OT 1920; FM 1922; Ord: D 1921; E 1927; App: N MINN Hawley 1947; Motley 1950; Glenwood 1952; Clarkfield 1954; R 1966

OBERG, CLAYTON A.—Ed: BA Hamline; STB Boston; Adm: OT N MINN 1942; FM 1945; Ord: D 1944; E 1945; Milaca-Onamia-Ogilvie 1945; Little Falls-Royalton 1951; Ononville 1958; Willmar 1962; Anoka 1966; Waseca Faith 1970

OLAFSSON, SVEINBJORN S.—Adm: OT 1929; FM 1931; App: Cromwell-McGregor 1929; AS 1930; Lester Prairie-Norwood 1931; Princeton 1933; Morris 1936; Coleraine 1938; Thief River Falls 1940; Duluth Central Ave. 1943; Mpls. Trinity 1949; SL 1952; South St. Paul 1953; Little Falls-Royalton 1961; R 1963


OMAN, JOHN B.—Ed: BS Temple 1939; STB Temple 1940; STM Lutheran (Phila) 1945; DD Temple 1953; Adm: OT N JERS 1939; E 1941; Ord: D 1938; E 1941; App: Browns Mill 1938; Pointville 1939; Trenton Wesley 1942; Trenton First 1944; MINN Mpls. Wesley 1955


PAINE, CHARLES F.—Adm: OT NEBR 1942; FM 1948; Ord: D E 1942; App: Chaplain USN 1942; N MINN Hopkins 1945; Hill City-Swatawa-Palisade 1947; Chaplain Federal Correction Institutions 1948; Sabbatical 1969


PARISH, JOHN L.—Ed: OT 1900; FM 1909; Ord: D 1906; E 1920; Eden Prairie-Bloomington Ferry 1906; Beardsley Ct 1907; Clearwater-Silver Creek 1908; Sup 1910; Deer River 1916; Fosston Ct 1918; Sup 1919; Duluth Grace 1920; Villard Ct 1921; Ely 1924; Olivia Ct 1926; Brainerd 1932; Pine City Ct 1934; Clinton-Ortonville 1936; Elk River-Monticello 1942; Elk River 1945; LaFayette-Winthrop 1949; Glenwood-Villard 1950; R 1952


PLUMMER, JOHN L.—Ed: BS Purdue 1955; MDiv Garrett 1968; Adm; OT 1965; FM 1968; App: Racine-Grand Meadow 1963; LaCrescent-Dakota-Dresbach 1970


POTHEE, E. E. G.—Ed: FM 1919; App: Mankato 1917; Fairmont 1919; Deer Creek 1922; Rochester 1925; Fergus Falls 1932; Paynesville 1935; St. Paul Faith 1944; Without App. 1952: Sup. 1954; R 1953; Lamberton-German town 1953; Zion-Salem 1954


POTTER, ROY J.—Adm: OT 1919; FM 1921; Ord: D 1921; E 1923; App: Welcome-Triumph 1919; Wood Lake-Hanley Falls 1921; W WISC Belleville 1923; MINN Lake Benton-Ivanhoe-Hendricks 1925; Slayton-Lake Wilson 1927; Lakesfield-Jackson 1931; Winona McKinnion 1935; Wells-Delavan 1939; N MINN Mpls. Grace 1947; St. James-Triumph 1954; Morris 1957; R 1959


PRICE, JOHN W.—Adm: OT MICH 1944; FM 1944; Ord: D 1942; E 1944; App: Ex Sec YMCA, U of Minn. 1946; YMCA, U of Ill. 1951


PUTNAM, IRVING E.—Adm: OT DESM 1906; FM 1908; Ord: D R RIV 1909; E 1912; App: Bridgewater, Ia. 1905; R RIV Chicago Simpson 1908; Chicago Albany Park 1910; Harvey First 1917; Joliet Richard 1921; River Forest 1926; MINN St. Paul First 1932; DAK Sioux Falls First 1936; SL 1943; N MINN Mpls. Wesley (A) 1944; R 1947


RAMOS, ALEX—Ed: AB Taylor 1958; BD Emory 1961; Adm: OT N GA 1960; FM

ROESTI, LEROY P.—Ed: BA North Central 1937; BD E.T.S. 1937; Adm: FM 1937; Ord: E 1939; App: Ill. Big Woods Congregational Naperville 1936; Minn. Olivia 1937; St. Cloud 1938; Marshall 1944; East Blue Earth 1951; Sergeant (one month) 1965; Superannuated (Health) 1965; Disability leave 1969

ROGERS, GILBERT H.—Ed: BA Hamline 1930; BD Garrett 1934; Adm: OT 1929; Ord: D 1932; E 1934; App: Goodhue 1929; Delavan-Easton 1932; Zumbro Falls-Mazeppa 1933; Alden-Pickerel Lake 1936; Kasson 1939; Wells 1947; Springfield 1956; R 1968


ROLLIN, ROBERT E.—Ed: BA Minnesota 1948; BD Garrett 1952; Adm: OT 1948; FM 1952; Ord: D 1950; E 1952; App: AS 1948; Hill City-Swatara 1952; St. Paul Holman 1955; Austin First (A) 1962; Lake City-Zumbro Falls 1965; Hutchinson Vineyard 1971


RUE, LAWRENCE J.—Ed: BA Goshen 1943; BD Bethany 1946; ThD Iliff 1958; Adm: Ch of Brethren 1942; FM COLO 1951; Ord: D E 1951; AS 1942; MINN Farmington-Rosemount 1951; Rosemount 1956; St. Paul Hamline (A) 1957; Northfield 1960; Excelsior 1967


SACHSE, LEONARD W.—Ed: BA John Fletcher 1939; BD Garrett; Adm: OT DAK 1943; FM 1947; Ord: D 1947; E 1949; App: DeSmet-Lake Preston 1943; Hartford 1948; Yankton 1951; MINN Proctor 1960; Sherburn-Wellcome 1965; Elk River 1968


SAUNDERTON, GEORGE C.—Adm: OT WISC 1922; FM 1924; Ord: D 1924; E 1928; App: Oxfordville-Plymouth 1922; Evansville 1925; Harford 1930; Kaukauna 1933; N DAK Minot 1938; N MINN Chisholm-Buhl 1946; North Mankato 1949; R 1958

SCHENDEL, E. M.—Ed: BA North Central 1930; BD E.T.S. 1932; Adm: FM 1932; Ord: E 1934; App: ILL. South Shore Chicago 1931; Minn. Kasson 1932; Kasson-Sargent 1933; Bellingham 1934; Rochester 1939; Hutchinson 1946; Blue Earth 1949; Waseca 1958; Sleepy-Eye-New Ulm 1964; Sargeant 1966; R 1966

Schevenius, Carl W. — Adm: OT Nor-Dan 1906; FM 1908; Ord: D 1906; E 1910; App: Virginia 1903; Duluth Bethany 1908; Prof Nor-Dan Seminary 1911; Evanston, Ill. Our Saviour’s 1914; DS Chicago 1915; Mpls. First Nor-Dan (Asbury) 1924; DS Mpls. (Nor-Dan) 1934; Superior, Wis. Grace 1940; N MINN 1943; R 1943

Schindler, John W. — Ed: BS North Dakota (Ellendale) 1934; BD Evangelical T. S. 1935; Adm: OT 1962; FM 1963; Ord: EUB; App: Duluth Central Ave. 1961; Fergus Falls Peace

Schmitt, Albert S. — Ed: AB Evansville 1924; BD Vanderbilt 1927; Adm: OT CENT GERMAN 1925; FM 1927; Ord: D 1925; E 1928; App: Barth Mem, Nashville, Tenn. 1925; Boonville, Ind. Ebenezer 1928; Seymour, Ind. Trinity 1932; IND 1939; Mooresville 1941; Chaplain USNR 1943; N MINN Duluth Lester Park 1946; Brooklyn Center 1951; Duluth Wesley 1959; Ely 1963; R 1966; Duluth First (A) 1966


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