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The 150th General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, was opened at 8 p.m. with the hymn "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." The Rev. Kenneth A. Horner, Jr., co-host pastor for the Synod, presided. After the invocation, an offering was received. Then the Rev. Lynden Stewart, also co-host, read from Isa. 52:13 to 53:12 and led Synod in prayer. The hymn, "The Church's One Foundation" was sung, followed by a solo sung by Mrs. Mack Weiford. Chaplain John M. MacGregor, the retiring moderator, preached the convocation sermon, based upon I Peter 1:1-19.

Then the Synod sang the communion hymn, "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed." Chaplain MacGregor and Mr. Horner administered the Lord's Supper, assisted by six elders. After singing "To God Be the Glory," the moderator recessed the meeting by pronouncing the benediction.

Chaplain MacGregor called Synod to order at 9:40 p.m. and called upon the Rev. Everett DeVelde to lead in prayer. Dr. Richard Gray made a speech nominating Dr. Marion D. Barnes. Dr. J. O. Buswell, Jr. moved that nominations cease. On motion, the clerk cast a white ballot for Dr. Barnes.

In the absence of Dr. Barnes, Mr. MacGregor opened the nominations for Vice-Moderator. On motion, Synod voted to allow the new moderator to appoint a vice-moderator.

On motion, Synod adjourned, making the first order of business in the morning the presentation of Dr. Barnes as Moderator. Dr. Franklin S. Dyrness led in closing prayer.

**SATURDAY SEDERUNT**

The retiring moderator, Chaplain John M. MacGregor, called Synod to order with the singing of "O for a Thousand Tongues," followed by prayer offered by Mr. McGreggor Scott.

Dr. Richard Gray then escorted the new moderator, Dr. Marion D. Barnes, to the podium. After expressions of surprise and gratitude, the moderator appointed the Rev. William McColley to serve as vice-moderator.

**FORMATION OF ROLL:**

*Ministers present at first roll call:* R. Adelman, W. H. Albany, L. Andres, W. O. Armes, A. M. Baldwin, W. S. Barker, L. D. Billiter, G. L. Blomquist, R. A. Bonner, G. R. Bragdon, E. Breen, S. R. Brown, J. O. Buswell Jr., J. W. Buswell, F. S. Campbell, W. R. Case, J. P. Clark, W. A. Collins, R. H. Countess, R. L. Craggs, F. P. Crane, T. G. Cross, R. Dameron, C. D. Darling, C. D. DePrine, III, E. C. DeVelde, L. L. Donaldson, F. S. Dyrness Sr., F. S. Dyrness Jr., E. R.

Eckerson, R. Edmiston, T. H. Engstrom, D. Fannon, R. Fiol, B. R. Fiol, D. F. Fleece, W. H. Folds Jr., W. George, P. R. Gilchrist, B. E. Gordon, E. G. Gray, R. W. Gray, C. T. Grayaon, D. C. Harris, H. D. Hight, C. B. Holliday, K. A. Horner Jr., J. K. Hunt, R. W. Hunt, G. Jaggard, E. Johnson, T. F. Jones, A. L. Kay, J. M. Kay Jr., J. S. Keifer, W. Kirwan, W. B. Leonard Jr., J. M. MacGregor, D. J. MacNair, W. A. Mahlow, G. Malkus, N. K. Malkus, N. McCall, W. D. McColley, D. R. McDonough, W. E. McNutt, W. Mersman, W. Meitling, E. A. MiddeImann, G. C. Miladin, A. F. Mogninot Jr., J. E. Morton, W. Myers, C. H. Oakley, J. L. Palmer, J. Perry, W. G. Phillips, E. Potoka, H. S. Powlison, J. L. Ransom, H. A. Rapp, R. L. Reymond, L. J. Roberts, J. W. Sanderson, A. E. Scott, W. Shannon, R. L. Shaw, F. Shepperson Jr., B. R. Short, T. Sidebotham, W. Siddons, J. Singleton, S. Smallman, J. A. Smith, E. A. Steele, III, C. A. Stewart, L. H. Stewart, R. W. Stewart, M. F. Stowe, R. H. Swayne, W. J. Swenson, J. C. Taylor Sr., P. W. Taylor, III, R. Tevebaugh, E. D. Thomas, K. Thurman, G. E. Tonnessen, W. B. Wallis, S. S. Ward, R. P. Warren, D. M. Watson, M. A. Weiford, H. G. Welbon, R. A. Wildeman Sr., H. B. Williamson, W. R. Wolfgang, R. Wright, M. Youndt, J. M. L. Young.

*Elders present at first roll call:* W. Arndt (Liberty, Balto., Md., alt.), N. P. Barker (Lookout Mountain, Tn.), M. D. Barnes (Lookout Mountain, Tn., Moderator), J. Belz (Lookout Mountain, Tn., alt.), R. S. Birchler (Walker, Ia.), W. J. Bonner (Cherry Hill, N.J., alt.), J. C. Brown (Newark, Del.), R. M. Coie, (Woodland Hills, Cal.), P. H. Eastburg (Cherry Hill, N.J.), W. M. Finch (Liberty, Baltimore, Md.), M. Frangipane (Bricktown, N.J.), P. Goldsborough (Media, Pa.), W. G. Grantham (Wilmington Manor, Del.), R. B. Gray (Pittsburgh, Pa.), H. W. Grup (Duanesburg, N. Y.), W. F. Herd (Newark, Del.), H. E. Hunt (Bethany, New Castle, Del., alt.), R. D. Jewell (Glenmore, Alberta, Canada), W. D. Laverell (1st RP, Indianapolis, Ind.), A. E. Loose (Lancaster, Pa.), D. G. MacLean (Faith, Wilmington, Del.), E. L. Mobley (Savannah, Ga.), F. D. Peace (Huntsville, Al.), W. M. Ragsdale (Myrtle Beach, S.C.), C. A. Richardson (Willow Grove, Pa.), M. Scott (Cherry Hill, N.J., alt.), G. D. Shaw (Elgin, Ill.), V. H. Smick (Evangelical, Baltimore, Md.), P. Stam Jr. (Covenant, St. Louis, Mo.), J. L. Stites (Bricktown, N.J. alt.), R. A. Titmus (Pittsburgh, Pa.), W. A. Vannoy (Faith, Wilmington, Del.), E. G. Wentling (Berea, Wilmington, Del.).

*Ministers present for part of Synod, but not at first or last roll call:* R. H. Cox, D. K. Dykema, E. Fackler, R. W. Graham, R. G. Hamilton, P. H. Morison, R. G. Rayburn, A. Shelor, F. Smick Jr., A. D. Umbreit, K. Wallace.

*Elders present for part of Synod, but not for first or last roll call:* S. Egrie (Ventnor, N.J.), S. Elder (Annapolis, Md.), N. M. Kennedy (South Beaver, Pa.), D. Morris (King of Prussia, Pa.), W. M. Smith (Lexington, N.C.), F. G. Wayne (Johnstown, N.Y.).

*Ministers absent with excuse:* R. A. Aeschliman, W. M. Alling, G. A. Anderson, R. V. Beesley, R. L. Brinkley, Sr., R. B. Brown, D. G. Buchanan, Jr., C. Bunzel, J. A. Cox, H. T. Cross, W. L. Detlor, F. F. Fiol, G. R. M. Gilchrist, A. F. Glasser, C. F. Gwin, Jr., A. E. Hegeman, A. J. House, R. Hoyle, B. T. Hubbard, G. P. Hutchinson, R. Kamrath, J. Little, J. H. McClintock, J. McFar-

land, E. T. Noe, J. P. Richmond, R. Shaffer, L. E. Sheldon, Jr., S. G. Shepperson, C. M. Sorenson, F. R. Steele, R. B. Strom, L. T. Van Horn, T. Waldecker, J. R. Werner, J. D. Winscott, L. H. Withington, K. Wolf, R. O. Wolf, J. B. Youngs.

**ADOPTION OF DOCKET:** On motion, the proposed docket was adopted, with provision that the fraternal delegate of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church, the Rev. LeRoy Oliver, address the Synod at 10:15 a.m. Saturday.

**ELECTION OF ASSISTANT CLERK:** The Rev. Frank Crane was duly nominated and elected.

**SEATING OF CORRESPONDING MEMBERS AND VISITING BRETHREN:** The following men were introduced to Synod and seated by proper motion as follows:

*Corresponding members:* Wilbur Casedy, Jack Clemmer, Philip Edelmeier, George H. Fielding, W. Carroll Hammell, John Hudson, Rev. LeRoy Oliver, Dr. J. Robert Vannoy, Rev. Jack White, Wilbert J. Williams.

*Visiting brothers:* Rev. Edward Bangs, J. Render Caines, Walter (Jerry) Cross, Rev. E. Bradford Davis, W. C. Flemming, R. W. Golden, Wyman W. Goodell, Donovan L. Graham, Norman Krueger, Thomas A. Nicholas, Rev. Don W. Rogers, Jan Senneker, Rev. Martin H. Smith, Wm. Strannon, Dale A. West.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Letters of excuses were passed on to the Attendance and Expense Committee. Several letters of greetings, many from our chaplains and missionaries, were posted. Other communications were referred to the appropriate committee either for information or further action.

The clerk read the following overtures by title and these were referred to the Bills and Overtures Committee, except Overture F which was referred to the Judicial Commission:

*OVERTURE A—Petition Trustees to increase Lamb Fund*

*OVERTURE B—Petition Fraternal Relations re. W.S.C.*

*OVERTURE C—Change ratio of delegates to Synod in FOG*

*OVERTURE D—Mandatory examination by Presbyteries of all ministers transferring*

*OVERTURE E—Change 2nd Ordination Vow*

*OVERTURE F—Advise re. licensure of Mr. Bogenrief*

*OVERTURE G—Counsel re. Baptizing children of non-members*

*OVERTURE H—Meaning of “false doctrine” in FOG*

*OVERTURE I—Clarify the disposition of one who is under suspension*

*OVERTURE J—Amend Book of Discipline to allow “inactive” status*

*OVERTURE K—Extend bounds of Florida Presbytery*

*OVERTURE L—Re: Dispensational Committee Report*

*OVERTURE M—Minor’s voting privileges.*

*OVERTURE N—Retain present 2nd Ordination Vow*

*OVERTURE O—Continuation of Study on Speaking in Tongues*

*OVERTURE P—Official Synod Insignia*

*OVERTURE Q—Presbyteries to elect for Nominating Committee of Synod*

*OVERTURE R—Change FOG re: preparation for the ministry*

*OVERTURE S: Definition of Gospel ministry and consideration of pastoral counseling as a possible ministry for ordination*

*OVERTURE T—Enlarging description of the ministry (similar to Overture S)*

*(Editor's note: for convenience, the overtures and their answers are placed together in these minutes. See pages 33, 82-85, 89, 112-119.*

**STATED CLERK'S REPORT:** The Stated Clerk augmented the following report with some additional remarks:

Fathers and Brothers in Christ:

As I come to the end of my first year of service as Stated Clerk of Synod it is with gratitude to the Lord Jesus Christ, the great Head of the Church, that He has enabled me to fulfill some of the responsibilities laid upon me by Synod.

The minutes of 1971 were ready for mailing by the first of August. Unfortunately not realizing that deacons were to receive these as well as ministers and elders until after I had received the files from my predecessor, we were short quite a few copies. However, through the good work of Cross Printing Company in Wilmington, we were able to order additional copies so as to complete the mailing.

It has been a real pleasure to serve with Chaplain John MacGregor and the Administrative Committee, the activities of which are reported elsewhere.

Official correspondence of Synod has been handled as promptly as time and secretarial help permitted. Numerous inquiries have come to our office, many of which required lengthier answers than I was able to give at the time, much of it requiring considerable research. Hopefully, as I get better acquainted with the many facets of our church, I shall be able to more efficiently handle these items. One item, however, needs to be mentioned. It is exceedingly difficult to emulate my predecessor, the late Harry Meiners, in the way he maintained voluminous correspondence with members of the RPCES throughout the world.

I have tried to keep pastors and churches, clerks of presbyteries and committee chairmen apprised of Synod business. It certainly is helpful to have the assistance of Covenant College's Office Services facilities which has cut down on what otherwise would be time consuming labor.

In coordinating vacant pulpits and candidates for church pulpit, I have only been able to keep various parties informed. However, with several pulpits being vacant for some time now and also with candidates being available, it seems to me that much more work is required to bring

God's man more quickly to the place of service God intends. Lord willing, I plan to develop more meaningful questionnaires both for churches and candidates. We are glad that in many cases we have been able to assist in locating a man in a church.

During the past year I have not had the opportunity to represent the RPC,ES except in just a few instances. It is my hope that in the coming year this area of my duties might be expanded. It always is a pleasure to preach the Word. Many churches in our denomination are fairly small and do not feel free to invite an outside speaker. The Administrative Committee in its proposed budget is making funds available so as to encourage the Stated Clerk to fellowship and encourage some of these brethren. If I could be of service in building up the Body of Christ, I would consider it a real privilege.

It is my duty to announce to the General Synod that there are now 331 ministers in our Synod (see FOG, ch. IV, 1, e). According to paragraph f, each presbytery will have to elect ninety percent of their ministers or the next whole number below ninety percent, with an equal number of elders as commissioners to the next General Synod. It is my opinion that this reduction would not work hardship on any presbytery, since there never is a 100% attendance of any one presbytery at a Synod meeting. Furthermore, it would force Clerks of Presbyteries to properly verify all commissioners to Synod. (se FOG, ch. IV, 1, b).

With respect to *Statistics*, I am sorry to say that there are 20 churches delinquent in sending their statistical reports. This has been a perennial problem. Without complete reports sent to the Statistician long before Synod, no meaningful evaluation can be given. I therefore urge pastors, clerks of sessions and treasurers to be prompt in their statistical reporting—if at all possible to give a report for the calendar year even though the fiscal year may be otherwise.

In the past, statistics have included mission churches. I propose to have the missions statistics separate from the particular churches. However, I do need the assistance of the clerks of presbyteries to keep me informed of the status of each church.

As of this writing, two churches have been dissolved from our presbyteries. Our Great Plains Presbytery now has only two churches and seven ministers. The Midwestern Presbytery continues to be our largest. Synod might give serious thought to rearranging the boundaries of these two presbyteries to lessen the load of such a large one and strengthen the weaker one.

May I share a very deep concern with you. Obviously, in this position, one hears of the many activities and issues of our various churches and presbyteries. Perhaps the matter of greatest concern is what seems to be the roaring activities of Satan, pouncing around seeking whom he may devour. This is so evident when churches are divided, homes broken, presbyteries laboring under a heavy cloud. I sincerely believe the Lord has great things for us, as a denomination and as particular churches.

Yet, I am equally convinced that the Devil, the destroyer, is doing all he can to disrupt this testimony of Christ. Dare we have spontaneous or planned meetings for prayer to our Sovereign Lord to overrule the divisive activities of the Usurper? Let us by His sovereign grace, claim the victory through the shed blood of Christ our Redeemer and Lord.

Sincerely and Respectfully,

Paul R. Gilchrist  
Stated Clerk

**ERRATA FOR MINUTES OF 1971:** Please make the following corrections:

- Inside front cover: Treasurer's initial—"Charles W. Donaldson"
- Page 90: In paragraph 3, after line 5, a whole line is missing. Please add: . . . keys of the kingdom of heaven exercised those keys in the preaching to the Jews on the . . .
- Page 92: In the first full paragraph, second sentence, change "if" to "is"
- Page 93: Fourth line from bottom, change "pages 7-22" to "page 722"
- Page 95: In first full paragraph, in the parenthetic sentence, change "with" to "without."
- Page 95: In third paragraph, fifth line, capitalize "Both" and insert a period just before it.
- Page 103: At the end of "Answer to Overture D" add (However, see p. 130)
- Page 120: Top of page, third line, add "(see p. 63)"
- Page 133: After the roll call add new paragraph:  
"The Stated Clerk read the minutes of the Sixth Sederunt. On motion these were approved as read."
- Page 136: Add to Nominating Committee under 1st column: Paul Alexander under Board of CTI, replace James Keifer with John Cummer.
- Page 137: Under Administrative Committee, remove Frank Smick, Jr., and add Arthur L. Kay, James L. Ransom.
- Page 175: After "Statistics" add "and 162-173"

**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT:** The chairman of this past year's committee presented the following report:

Fathers and Brethren:

The Administrative Committee met three times during the past year, September 30, December 15, March 15.

The Moderator, Stated Clerk and Treasurer reported on their activities. Plans for the 150th General Synod have been made, with Rev. Kenneth Horner and Rev. Lynden Stewart appointed as co-hosts of Synod Arrangements Committee.

After considerable discussion, the committee felt that the suggestion of having a FAMILY CONFERENCE in 1974 around the time of Synod

would not be feasible because of the problem of conducting Synod sessions while with their families.

Regarding the status of the Evangelism Committee, the Committee discussed the possibility of placing its functions as a department of NPM. However, the committee recommends that the Evangelism Committee be continued for one more year as a temporary committee and that the Administrative Committee study the matter and report to the 151st General Synod.

As for the BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION in 1974, Rev. James Ransom was appointed chairman of a committee to plan for it. The History of the Church Committee was asked to serve with Mr. Ransom.

The present consideration is that we celebrate the bicentennial by (1) convening Synod at an historical place, such as Philadelphia, Lancaster or Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; (2) gathering all memorabilia of past history and activities of the Reformed Presbyterian Church; (3) having a worship service which would show by its format some of the past—such as singing Psalms and hearing some old sermons and messages, and (4) having key speakers as guests for the occasion.

Mr. Ransom reported that the Covenanters had approached the OP's about celebrating together in 1974 and that they were considering asking the RPC,ES to celebrate with them in 1975. A suggested alternative to these considerations would be that all three churches might be able to celebrate together in 1974. The Synods would conduct their business sessions separately but come together for the celebration and fellowship.

Since the INTER-AGENCY COORDINATING COMMITTEE is recommending to Synod that it not be continued next year (see report of Inter-Agency Committee on page 13) the Administrative Committee discussed the composition and representation of the committee. During discussion it was agreed to recommend to Synod that the Administrative Committee be composed of the Moderator, Stated Clerk, the retiring Moderator and two other representatives appointed by the Moderator plus the Executive Secretary of the agencies or a Board Member. However, the agency representative would serve without vote.

Upon the TREASURER'S REPORT, the committee approved the recommendation that receipts and expenditures for Ministerial Welfare be reported separately and that projections not be included in Synod Budget. Also, the committee approved making the fiscal year for the Synod Treasurer's Fund to be from April 1 to March 31. This would facilitate both the planning for budget and the reporting to Synod of the financial state of the fund. The Administrative Committee agreed to recommend that Synod urge all churches to contribute \$1.00 per member for Synod treasury.

*PROPOSED BUDGET 1972-1973:*

*Receipts*

Income from 150th Synod—Registrations	\$1,000.00	
Offerings	500.00	
Church Support	10,250.00	
Agency Support	1,000.00	
Individual Gifts	700.00	
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		\$ 13,450.00

*Expenditures*

150th Synod Expenses		
Arrangements	200.00	
Clerical Help	400.00	
Guest Speakers	300.00	
Travel Expenses	1,500.00	
Promotion	500.00	
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		2,900.00
Stated Clerk		
Salary	2,000.00	
Office Rental	500.00	
Office Expenses	700.00	
Clerical Help	1,500.00	
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		4,700.00
Assistant Clerk Honorarium	100.00	
Treasurer's Expenses	25.00	
Archivist's Expenses	25.00	
Travel Expenses: Moderator, Stated Clerk,		
Administrative Committee	1,500.00	
Printing and Mailing of Minutes	3,000.00	
Fraternal Relations Committee	500.00	
Other Committees	500.00	
Miscellaneous	200.00	
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		\$ 13,450.00

*RECOMMENDATIONS*

1. We recommend that the Evangelism Committee be continued for one more year as a temporary committee and that the Administrative Committee of Synod study the future status of the Evangelism Committee and report to the 151st General Synod.
2. We further recommend that Synod approve the projected plans for the Bicentennial Celebration in 1974. We recommend to Synod a tri-synod effort with Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America and the Orthodox Presbyterian Church, to convene in Pennsylvania

in 1974. If this should not be feasible we recommend that Synod plan to meet in Willow Grove, Penna., in 1974. In any case, for the 1974 Synod, the emphasis should be on the histories of both older Reformed Presbyterian Church and the more recent Bible Presbyterian/Evangelical Presbyterian Church. There would also be an emphasis on fellowship, testimony and celebration.

3. We recommend that Synod accept the invitation to meet at Covenant College in May 18-24, 1973.
4. We also recommend to Synod that the Administrative Committee be composed of the Moderator, Stated Clerk, Retiring Moderator and two other representatives appointed by the Moderator plus the executive officer of the agencies or a board member. However, the agency representative would serve without vote.
5. We recommend to Synod the adoption of the proposed budget and urge all churches to contribute \$1.00 per member for Synod.

Respectfully,

John M. MacGregor, Chairman

Paul R. Gilchrist

Richard W. Gray

Wilber B. Wallis

Charles W. Donaldson

Kenneth A. Horner

Donald J. MacNair

Arthur L. Kay

James L. Ransom

Synod adopted the recommendations 1 through 4. Recommendation 5 was adopted with the following addition: "and that we request presbyteries to instruct churches being received concerning their responsibility to support financially the Synod."

**APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:** The moderator appointed the following commissioners to serve on the Standing Committees of Synod:

*Audit committee:* R. Edmiston (Chm.), R. Titmus, E. Thomas, H. Hight, G. Shaw.

*Bills and overtures:* J. MacGregor (Chm.), J. Young, W. Barker, C. A. Lutz, G. Miladin, N. Barker, E. Smick, T. Sidebotham, F. Shepper-son, E. Eckerson, D. Dykema, A. Baldwin, L. Billiter

*Attendance and Expense:* W. Collins (Chm.), R. Dameron, S. Birchler, F. Peace, G. Grantham.

*Memorials:* J. W. Buswell (Chm.), J. C. Brown, B. Fiol.

*Resolutions:* Max Belz (Chm.), N. Kennedy, W. D. Laverell.

*Presbytery Records:* W. Siddons (Chm.), A. Moginot, R. Adelman, R. Tevebaugh, E. Breen, H. Williamson, D. Fannon, R. Countess, P. Taylor III, D. Watson, A. Scott, H. Grup, R. Jewell

*Parliamentarian:* J. O. Buswell, Jr., J. Young (assistant).

**INTER-AGENCY CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE REPORT:** Chaplain MacGregor made the report for the Committee.

Fathers and Brethren:

The Inter-Agency Coordinating Committee met twice this past year, in October and in January.

The following duties were assigned to the committee by the 149th General Synod.

- 1) Meet at beginning of Synod year at the call of the Moderator
- 2) Review plans for agencies
- 3) Coordinate accounting for Fiscal Years
- 4) Work out cooperative administrative functions such as coordination of promotional activities and the computerization of any functions amenable to such treatment
- 5) Conduct a self-study for each agency and make such available to Synod.

With regard to the matter of self-study, the committee through Mr. MacNair pursued the possibility of using the services of Christian Service Fellowship—an organization which has done this kind of work for several mission organizations. The Kerj Foundation which has backed this agency, had voted just before our contacts, to discontinue their evaluation services. As an alternative response to Synod the committee agreed to publish an Inter-Agency Directory wherein each agency would (1) define its purpose, (2) its scope of operation, (3) its accomplishments and (4) its plans for the future. Furthermore, all the committees of Synod were asked to submit a paragraph regarding the service they were performing on behalf of Synod.

The committee heard a report from Mr. Don Shaw about coordination of some of the overlapping work of each agency through computerization. For example, servicing the names and addresses of the different mailing lists could be handled for the same cost as under present arrangements. However, many more services could be rendered, such as keeping a 50 word record on each file space, archival storage space, etc. Also, in general accounting, there would be greater efficiency in servicing the payroll, receivables, payables, donor lists and pledges. The greatest cost is in getting started. There would be the need of coordinating, programming and having an instructor educating secretaries to work on computer cards, etc. Eventually one person would be able to manage this for the denomination's agencies. As a pilot project, it was decided that National Presbyterian Missions and Covenant Theological Seminary would start by mechanizing a minister list.

The following *Guide to Proportionate Giving* was prepared and sent to the churches earlier in the year. This was based on the projected needs of the agencies and what they expected to receive from the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

	<i>Needed from RPCES</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>Amount/ Member</i>
WPM	\$ 460,000	46.4	\$ 32.45
CTS	220,000	22.2	15.56
Covenant College	120,000	12.1	8.46
CTI	35,000	3.5	2.46
Home Board	13,000	1.3	.91
NPM	134,000	13.5	9.46
Synod	10,000	1.0	.70
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	\$ 992,000/ year	100.0%	\$ 70.00/member/year

For statistical purposes and as a means for study and comparisons, the agencies will be giving to Synod their financial report on a calendar year basis. However this does not mean their fiscal year need be changed, since some are forced to have a June 30 fiscal year. It was felt that this same principle would readily apply to statistical reports from churches also. Some churches may have a March 31 fiscal year, but it could be possible for them to report to Synod as of Dec. 31 without changing their fiscal year.

In view of the following factors: (1) that the job description for the Inter-Agency Coordinating Committee and Administrative Committee somewhat overlap, (2) that a tremendous burden of carrying on committee work with such a large number representing several agencies scattered throughout the country and (3) that the transportation cost for committee members was not warranted, the Inter-Agency Coordinating Committee voted to make the following recommendations to Synod:

- 1) that the Inter-Agency Coordinating Committee be discontinued,
- 2) that the Administrative Committee of Synod take up the responsibilities of the Inter-Agency Coordinating Committee.
- 3) that the Administrative Committee be composed of the Moderator, the Stated Clerk and two others appointed by the Moderator, plus one representative (Executive officer or board member) from each of the six major agencies (namely: CTI, WPM, NPM, Board of Home Missions, Covenant College and Covenant Seminary). No one would have more than one vote.

Respectfully submitted,

John M. MacGregor, Chairman

Recommendations 1 and 2 were adopted by Synod. However, in the light of the action of Synod on recommendation 4 of the Administrative Committee (see page 11), it was moved, seconded and passed to postpone indefinitely any action on recommendation 3.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** The preliminary report and ballot was presented by the chairman of the Committee, the Rev. Eugene Potoka.

Synod was recessed with prayer at 9:45, then reconvened at 10 a.m. with prayer by Dr. J. Oliver Buswell, Jr.

**FRATERNAL GREETINGS:** Dr. Richard Gray, in the absence of Dr. Robert G. Rayburn, introduced the Rev. LeRoy Oliver, fraternal delegate from the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. Mr. Oliver made an eloquent address to the Synod.

**WORLD PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS:** The Rev. William A. Mahlow augmented the following report with oral remarks, then called on missionaries John Hunt, Sanders Campbell, Hugh Powlison, Bruce Fiol, Werner Mietling, Dr. John Taylor, Sr., George Bragdon, and the Vice President of WPM, Dr. Franklin S. Dyrness, to speak.

Fathers and Brethren:

At this writing, WPM is operating in nine foreign fields and has operated in two others. One (Formosa) was temporarily abandoned because of the lack of volunteers, and one (Grand Cayman) was left because the local church outgrew the need of help from WPM.

At present our personnel numbers 87 adults and 83 minor children. There are 58 full missionaries, 10 candidates assigned to a field, 5 candidates as yet unassigned, 6 associates, and 1 technical assistant, while 7 are now retired or semi-retired.

The administrative staff of five people consists of a general secretary, an associate general secretary, a comptroller, a deputation secretary, a promotion secretary and there are five regular staff members.

During the past year we have been saddened by the death of one of our missionaries, the Reverend Nickles A. Cochran. Mr. Cochran helped pioneer our evangelistic and radio work among the Quechua Indians of Peru. He was especially loved by the Peruvian nationals, and his service for Christ will tell for time and eternity.

Financial growth has been steady; our annual income is now approximately \$615,000. Approximately 30% of our income is from outside the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Of the new candidates received this year, 5 have come from Reformed Presbyterian background, 3 from Southern Presbyterian background, 3 Baptist, 2 Australian Presbyterian, 1 United Presbyterian, 1 Independent and 1 from a Brethren church in Europe prior to affiliation with an R.P. Church in the USA. All are now or will be members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

There has been significant growth on the fields in a number of areas. Membership in our churches in Kenya is up 25%, while the average rate of church growth in Africa is only 7%. Enrollment in our seminaries

and Bible institutes has taken an upswing in Chile, Peru and Kenya, with good enrollment in India, also. Extension seminary principles are being developed in Chile and Peru and Bush Bible institutes in Kenya; with the exception of Arabia all fields report the salvation of souls. We continue to use all available means of evangelism with the end in view of establishing churches. Radio, literature and medical work are proving valuable in some areas, though our emphasis is on personal confrontation, personal evangelism and the preaching and teaching of the Word to reach men and women for Christ and to build the Church.

We have seen God's hand in Lester Gates' receiving permission to return to Jordan to complete the construction of the hospital after having been expelled from the country, and in Jack Armes' gradual recovery from a debilitating attack of hepatitis. The political upheaval in Chile has not held back the witness, though missionaries with children of school age may not feel they can return on schedule due to temporary problems in the education of their children.

Japan continues to be one of the fields of greatest challenge and difficulty and need, and "few there be" that are willing to consider appointment there. We need to believe God when He says, "Is there anything too hard for the Lord?"

In serving the home churches, we have this year produced and distributed the WPM Catalogue for pastors, church libraries, candidates and others interested in WPM. This is primarily a reference work. It also serves as a self-study of the organization, purposes, plans and work of WPM. Brochures on each field have been prepared for promotional purposes, and other literature has been produced. The *Newsletter* continues to be popular, with approximately 20,000 copies circulated. An audio-visual presentation giving the general work and purpose of the Board has been prepared. This has been presented in 27 churches, schools and presbyteries thus far, with good reception, and there have been a considerable number of Minute Men and Intercessor enlistments, as well as faith promises, resulting from it.

Our missionaries on furlough and the staff personnel have been in demand and extremely busy in conference work this year, not only in the Reformed Presbyterian Church but in Southern Presbyterian and other churches as well. The faith promise plan has been used in many churches to raise missionary giving not only to WPM but to others. More complete planning of missionary conferences by WPM staff in collaboration with the churches has proved fruitful when used. The Candidate School was attended by over 80 different people throughout the week, including missionaries, staff, candidates, board members, young people and some visitors, and it proved to be a real success. We found that including some young people from our churches in part of the school was stimulating and helpful to the missionaries and to the young folks. Student Missionary Internship is being planned to give college students a year on one of our fields, assisting in the work and gaining firsthand

knowledge of missionary work. The Student Missionary Involvement program is well under way. Last summer students visited and worked in Peru and Grand Cayman; this year teams are planned for Peru, Chile, Kenya, India and Japan. "EXPLO '72" in Dallas will include representation from WPM along with Covenant College, Covenant Seminary, and National Presbyterian Missions, in a joint effort. The WPM Auxiliary's regular meetings have been instrumental in stirring considerable additional missionary interest.

Over the last two years we have about broken even as far as our General Fund is concerned—i.e., our income has about equalled our expenditures. But this has not wiped out the debt of some \$60,000 that had been accumulating over the years. We urge churches which support WPM and increase their giving, to increase the amount to the General Fund as well as to missionary needs.

During the past year the Cranes and Gilchests have returned to Chile, the Emersons and Omerlys to Peru, the Fearnows to Arabia, the Hosmans to Kenya, the David Fiols to India and the Fretts to Japan.

During the coming year we plan to send out the following:

*Missionaries to return  
to the field:*

Bruce Fiols—India  
Sanders Campbells—Kenya  
John Hunts—Korea  
Emily Cochran—Peru  
Hugh Powlisons—Peru  
Addison Soltaus—Japan  
Ruth D. Masso—Peru

*Candidates now assigned  
to be sent out:*

Beverly Moore—Arabia  
Gareth Tonnessens—Kenya  
Joseph Littles—Peru  
Wesley Ulrich—Jordan  
W. Gerald Crosses III—Chile  
Russell Barretts—Peru

*Candidates not yet assigned, but to be assigned and sent to a field:*

John Longs, David Goodrums, Wilma Cross

Our plans in WPM are to keep pressing on until the job is done. We expect the Lord and not men to give us the signal as to when the work is accomplished. Meanwhile, our commission is to preach Christ in every nation of the world, to every people, to every tribe, to every tongue; to establish churches wherever we have an opportunity to preach, teach, do personal work, and make Christ known. The field is the world.

While forward strides have been made and revival fires have been seen in Africa, Indonesia, places in South America, and so on, there are still tremendous areas of the world where the Christian witness is at present but a weakly flickering candle compared to the need. May we strengthen our stakes and lengthen our cords and press on until all the world shall hear.

Respectfully submitted,

William A. Mahlow  
General Secretary

P.S. At the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of World Presbyterian Missions, Inc., the following action was passed, having been previously initiated at the Annual Meeting June 17, 1971 and communicated to Board Members before the Semi-Annual Meeting was held:

“The amendment to Article IV, Section 6 of the By-Laws, as presented and voted on at the June 17, 1971 Board meeting—inserting in Section 6 after the words ‘the time of Synod’ the following, ‘or the next meeting thereafter. The President may be re-elected only twice in succession.’ was placed on the Docket. This amendment had been circulated to the Board members and announced for consideration at this meeting. Voted to adopt this amendment.

Article IV Section 6 then reads:

‘Section 6. Officers. The officers of the Board of Directors and of the corporation shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary and Treasurer. The Recording Secretary and Treasurer may or may not be the same person. All officers shall be elected annually at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors at the time of Synod or the next meeting thereafter. The President may be re-elected only twice in succession. Every officer shall serve until his successor is chosen.’

#### CASH STATEMENT

April 1, 1971—March 31, 1972

Balance—4/1/71		\$ 57,656.55	
<i>Receipts:</i>			
General Purposes	\$ 67,996.64		
Support —missionaries	376,082.53		
—WAM	7,298.81		
—GRB	1,845.00		
Special Funds—Designated	119,458.31		
Income—Endowments	6,254.97		
Income—Estates	4,794.80		
Personal Gifts	10,079.05		
Books and Tracts	161.28		
Sinking Fund	2,087.85		
Newsletter	132.25		
Missionary Accounts Receivable	7,689.08		
Rental Income	2,555.00		
Notes Receivable—WJC	1,828.97		
Various Misc. Receipts	11,427.37	\$ 619,691.91	
			\$ 677,348.46
<i>Disbursements:</i>			
Personal Gifts	\$ 10,681.40		
Missionary Salaries	119,889.97		

Pre-College Allowance	6,086.39	
Children's Allowance	35,106.25	
Direct Expense of Missionaries	32,579.86	
Field Expense of Missionaries	46,178.68	
Special Purposes—Designated	137,246.82	
Missionary Accounts Receivable	8,420.41	
Salaries:		
Executive	\$16,280.00	
Clerical	37,306.93	
Misc.	<u>8,341.47</u>	61,928.40
Executive Expense		4,285.87
Executive Housing		4,734.00
Sinking Fund		5,830.00
General Headquarters Ex-		
pense	<u>138,686.29</u>	611,654.34
FICA & Taxes Withheld		<u>(11,204.83)</u>
		<u>600,449.51</u>
Balance—3/31/72		\$ 76,898.95
Distribution of Balance:		
Checking Account	\$ 51,283.15	
On Hand	50.00	
Savings Account	<u>25,565.80</u>	\$ 76,898.95
Various Misc. Receipts:		
Mortgage Rec.—George Cooper	\$	235.04
Loan to Kenya Mission		577.42
Loan to Chile Mission		474.82
Loan to Korea Mission		1,744.95
Loan to Japan Mission		782.89
Transfer Account—Christmas Appeal		2,384.34
Direct Expenses of Missionaries		466.57
Expense in Missionary Fields		90.00
Insurance on Wages		695.61
Maintenance of Office		57.39
Postage		31.22
Stationery, Supplies and Expense		13.45
Telephone and Telegraph		209.14
Electricity and Other Utilities		230.05
Insurance		371.20
Missionary Expense Chgd. to General Fund		26.03
Interest Expense—Borrowed Funds		2,254.13
Expense—Candidate School		15.00
Other Expense		590.12
Audio Visual		<u>178.00</u>
	\$	11,427.37
General Office Expense:		
Headquarters Equipment	\$	2,100.00

Notes Payable	2,030.01	
Federal & State Income Tax, S. S.	10,772.18	
Mortgage Payable	2,299.99	
Mortgage Payable—Lehigh Road	216.47	
Missionary Benefits—Missionaries'	12,614.90	
Books and Tracts	137.42	
Children's Education Allow. (Hdq.)	190.00	
Director's Meeting Expense	3,004.36	
Taxes on Wages	2,835.37	
Insurance on Wages	16,971.71	
Pension Fund Payments	16,284.30	
Dues and Subscriptions	3,320.04	
Maintenance of Office	11,108.89	
Postage	6,189.58	
Publicity and Printing Same	21,345.71	
Stationery, Supplies and Expense	4,823.47	
Telephone and Telegraph	2,058.80	
Professional Fees—Auditors	1,525.00	
Electricity and Other Utilities	2,529.58	
Insurance	1,406.85	
Missionary Expense Chgd. to General Fund	3,220.06	
Automobile Expense	183.90	
Interest Expense—Borrowed Funds	2,794.54	
Expense—Missionary Candidates	701.20	
Expense—Candidate School	4,153.05	
Other Expense	1,175.43	
Advertising (Magazine) Display	1,507.97	
Audio-Visual	1,185.51	\$ 138,686.29

Synod ratified the action of the Board amending Article IV, Section 6 of the By-Laws of WPM as voted on at the June 17, 1971 Board meeting. Dr. Peter Stam concluded the report by encouraging the use of missionary prayer letters.

**ELECTIONS:** Mr. Potoka presented the ballot for members of WPM: \*J. O. Buswell, Jr. INC, \*John Christie INC, \*LaVerne Donaldson INC, \*George Johnson INC, Robert Swayne, John Clark, \*Nelson Malkus INC, \*Gus Blomquist, \*Robert Edmiston, \*Paul Gilchrist, \*Linleigh Roberts 2/3. William Swenson was nominated from the floor. Nominations were closed.

**REVISION OF STANDING RULES:** On motion, Synod amended the docket to receive the report of Standing Rules Committee at this point. Dr. Gilchrist presented the report with some preliminary remarks.

It was moved, seconded and carried to provisionally adopt the Standing Rules *ad seriatim*.

The report was interrupted with recess for lunch at 12 noon. Dr. Young

led in closing prayer. Synod then reconvened at 12:50 p.m. with prayer by the Rev. Willard Armes.

On motion, Synod adopted provisionally the Standing Rules, except for chapters XII to XV, and continued the revision committee for another year according to recommendations 1 and 2. The following Standing Rules were adopted as amended.

#### *CHAPTER I—GENERAL RULES*

The General Synod shall have full power over its own proceedings and shall be governed by the Word of God, the Westminster Standards, the Form of Government, the Book of Discipline and the following Standing Rules of Synod. Cases that may arise which are not provided for in the foregoing Rules shall be governed by Robert's *Rules of Order*.

#### *CHAPTER II—MEETINGS*

- 1) Meetings shall be held in conformity to the Form of Government, chapter IV, section 7.
- 2) The Moderator or Prolocutor shall take the chair precisely at the hour to which the Synod stands adjourned, and shall immediately call the members to order; and, on the appearance of a quorum, the meeting shall be opened with prayer.
- 3) If a quorum be not assembled at the hour appointed, any two members shall be competent to adjourn from time to time, that an opportunity may be given for a quorum to assemble.

#### *CHAPTER III—MODERATOR AND VICE MODERATOR*

- 1) The Moderator shall be elected and the Vice Moderator shall be elected or appointed by the Moderator and serve in accordance with the Form of Government, chapter IV, section 6a and 7, c-g.
- 2) It shall be the duty of the Moderator, at all times, to preserve order and to endeavor to conduct all business before the Synod to a speedy and proper result.
- 3) He may propose what appears to him the most regular and direct way of bringing any business to issue.
- 4) He shall always ascertain and announce the name of the member to whom he gives the privilege of the floor, prevent members from improperly interrupting each other and require them, in speaking, always to address the chair.
- 5) He shall prevent a speaker from deviating from the subject, and from using personal reflections.
- 6) He shall silence those who refuse to observe order.
- 7) He shall, when the deliberations are ended, put the question and call for the vote.
- 8) In all questions he shall give a clear and concise statement of the

question being voted upon, and the vote being taken, he shall declare how the question is decided.

- 9) When in doubt on a point of order, the Moderator may ask advice of a parliamentarian or may submit the question to the Synod for decision.
- 10) The Moderator shall appoint all committees, except in those cases in which the Synod shall decide otherwise. He shall name a convener of each special committee of the Synod, whether elected or appointed. Ordinarily the first person appointed, or the person elected with the highest number of votes shall be named convener.
- 11) When a vote is taken by ballot the Moderator shall vote with the other members. In other cases, if the Synod be equally divided, he shall possess the casting vote. If he be not willing to decide, he shall put the question a second time; and if the Synod be again equally divided, and he decline to give his vote, the question shall be lost. The Moderator may also vote to make a tie when the vote is not by ballot.
- 12) He shall, upon the election of the Moderator of the succeeding Synod, present the gavel to him.
- 13) The Moderator shall serve as chairman of the Administrative Committee.
- 14) He shall be available for the denomination to represent the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, to the general public and to the churches.
- 15) The Moderator shall not have authority to speak for the church on any matters which the General Synod has not specifically stated in its minutes, nor will he have authority to institute any actions and/or programs in the name of the General Synod which have not been specifically called for in the minutes of the General Synod.
- 16) He shall be responsible for the Convocation Address and Communion Service at the opening sederunt of the succeeding Synod, and shall preside until his successor is elected.
- 17) The retiring Moderator shall prepare for the new Moderator a list of suggested committee chairmen and personnel for all standing committees before the opening of Synod, based on pre-registration data. The prerogative of appointments rests on the new Moderator.
- 18) He may render a report to the succeeding Synod, separately or with a report of the Administrative Committee.

#### *CHAPTER IV—CLERKS AND STATISTICIAN*

- 1) The Stated Clerk shall be elected and serve in accordance with the Form of Government, chapter IV in general and section 6b in particular.
- 2) It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to keep notes of the several articles of business which may be assigned for particular days, and to inform the Moderator to call them up at the time appointed.

- 3) He shall be responsible for relating any new business of Synod to past decisions and programs of the General Synod.
- 4) He shall be a consultant to the new and the former Moderator of General Synod as they make their assignments necessary for the standing committees of the General Synod.
- 5) He shall be responsible for the official minutes of each General Synod meeting.
- 6) He shall be custodian of the gavel.
- 7) He shall be responsible for the immediate printing of the minutes following the General Synod meeting and for their distribution. This is to be accomplished within a maximum of ninety days after Synod is completed.
- 8) In accordance with the provision of section 22 below, he shall be responsible for official denominational correspondences including necessary correspondence with the Chief of Chaplains in conjunction with the head of the Committee of Chaplains of Synod, etc.
- 9) He shall act as a confidential clearing house for churches seeking pastors and pastors seeking churches.
- 10) He shall act as statistician to collect data properly, present it and to distribute.
- 11) He shall act as coordinator of job descriptions, services, and source of supplies for the clerks of the various presbyteries.
- 12) He shall inform promptly all persons, committees and judicatories of actions of the Synod which directly affect them and act as the source of information relative to Synod's instructions to individuals, committees, agencies, or judicatories.
- 13) He shall act as secretary for the Administrative Committee of the General Synod.
- 14) He shall be responsible to communicate to the church or its agencies any opinions of Synod's legal counsel that would affect their work.
- 15) He shall be available for the denomination to represent the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, to the general public and to the churches.
- 16) He shall work with the Administrative Committee and Treasurer of the General Synod to prepare an annual budget for the administration of Synod's needs and to propose ways and means to meet it. The budget shall include:
  - a. Costs for the General Synod meetings
  - b. Costs for Administrative Committee meetings.
  - c. Costs for funding especially appointed committees of General Synod.
  - d. Costs for the Clerk's salary, allowances, traveling expenses, etc.
- 17) He shall prepare a rough draft of a proposed agenda for the next meeting of the General Synod to be presented to the Administrative Committee for their consideration, refinement and adoption.

- 18) He shall be responsible for the collection and distribution to Synod commissioners of agency reports to General Synod.
- 19) He shall prepare a list of sommissioners at each General Synod meeting for the use of the various committees and Moderator during the course of the meeting of General Synod.
- 20) He shall work with host pastor in preparing for the meetings of General Synod in at least the following specialized areas:
  - a. To determine that there is adequate press coverage of the General Synod.
  - b. To determine that there is adequate means for caring for financial transactions both of the General Synod officially and of the com-missioners to General Synod.
  - c. To be sure that ways and means are available to produce special reports, lists of nominees, etc., during the course of General Synod, probably via mimeographing.
  - d. To insure adequate facilities for his own needs in order to properly service the General Synod during its meetings.
- 21) He shall be responsible to the Moderator of General Synod, as chairman of the Administrative Committee.
- 22) The Stated Clerk shall not have authority to speak for the church on any matters which the General Synod has not specifically stated in its minutes, nor will he have authority to institute any actions and/or programs in the name of the General Synod which have not been specifically called for in the minutes of the General Synod.
- 23) The Assistant Clerk shall be elected annually and shall serve under the direction of the Stated Clerk.

#### *CHAPTER V—TREASURER*

- 1) The Treasurer shall be elected and serve for a term of three years. (cf. Form of Government, IV, 6b.)
- 2) He shall be custodian of the funds of the General Synod and shall disburse them as directed by Synod according to the budgeted items. Disbursements shall be paid upon presentation of bills, but guided by the following priorities:
  - a. Printing and mailing of Synod minutes.
  - b. Salary of Stated Clerk, office and secretarial expense.
  - c. Treasurer's expense and Assistant.
  - d. Travel.
    - 1) Stated Clerk.
    - 2) Synod committees' budgeted expense.
    - 3) Commissioners' travel expense.
- 3) He shall report annually to Synod all receipts and expenses, and shall submit his records to the Audit Committee for examination.
- 4) He shall assist the Administrative Committee of Synod in preparing a budget to be adopted for the ensuing year by Synod.

## *CHAPTER VI—ORDER OF BUSINESS*

- 1) At the commencement of the Synod, the commissioners shall select a Moderator, Vice Moderator (in conformity with chapter III, 1), Stated Clerk (if necessary) and an Assistant Clerk
- 2) Adoption of docket. The docket may be amended, after its adoption, by a two-thirds vote.
- 3) Report of communications received.
- 4) Following the adoption of the docket, appropriate committees shall be erected by motion to consider the various communications to the Synod which require action, and to report to the Synod with the recommendations as to their dispositions. The committees shall be appointed by the Moderator unless Synod shall decide otherwise.
- 5) At the second sederunt of the Synod, the Moderator shall appoint the standing committees. Also, the Administrative Committee shall report on the financial condition of Synod and a proposed budget shall be presented. (See also chapter XVII, section 1.)
- 6) The six agencies of Synod shall present their reports during the second and third sederunt, not to exceed forty-five minutes and allowing time for discussion. Elections to the agencies shall normally follow immediately upon their report or as soon as possible thereafter.
- 7) At the beginning of each sederunt the minutes of the previous day's business shall be read for approval, and at the close of the meeting of the Synod, the minutes of the Synod shall be approved.

## *CHAPTER VII—OVERTURES*

- 1) Overtures shall be prepared by presbyteries and be in the hands of the Stated Clerk of Synod 45 days prior to Synod and in the hands of commissioners 15 days before Synod. For exceptions, see chapter XIX.

## *CHAPTER VIII—REPORTS*

- 1) To receive a report means to bring the matter up for consideration or adoption or both. When a report or paper has been read on the floor it is then in that position, and no motion to receive is necessary. A motion to receive is necessary only if no place has been provided for the matter on the docket and the Synod desires to consider it at a certain time in the order of business. In this case a motion to receive the report should precede the reading of the report.
- 2) If a report or paper contains only a statement of fact or opinion for the information of the Synod, there is no necessity for action upon it. But if the Synod desires to endorse the statement and thus assume responsibility for it, the proper motion is to adopt it.
- 3) If the report or paper contains a recommendation, there should be a motion to adopt the recommendation. If there is more than one rec-

ommendation, the normal procedure is to consider the recommendations *seriatim* on motions to adopt them.

- 4) It is in some cases advisable, after a report or paper has been received, to refer the matter to a special committee of the Synod which is to report at a later time in the Synod. In that event all consideration of the matter is postponed until the special committee reports.
- 5) When recommendations of reports and papers are before the Synod for adoption, discussion about the body of the reports or papers should be brought up under the separate recommendations pertaining to those sections. If those sections do not properly pertain to or bear upon any one recommendation, those parts may be considered after all recommendations have been voted upon. When no recommendations are contained in the report or paper, discussion about any part of it is in order as the report or paper has been received.
- 6) All reports of committees, and other papers read on the floor of the Synod shall be recorded in the minutes as read. If the matters presented in such reports or papers are to become the action of the Synod, any difference between the original form of the paper as read on the floor and the final action of the Synod shall be recorded as amendments to the motion to adopt the report or paper.
- 7) If a paper is not read on the floor of the Synod, it may, on motion, be recorded in the minutes, provided it has been presented to the commissioners in writing at least two weeks prior to the Synod.
- 8) Committees which have been instructed to circulate their reports among the sessions and churches six weeks prior to the meeting of the General Synod shall forward their reports to the Stated Clerk of Synod at least two weeks prior to their circulation date, and he shall have them manifolded and sent out together.

#### *CHAPTER IX--DEBATE*

- 1) No member in the course of debate, shall be allowed to indulge in personal reflections.
- 2) If more than one member rise to speak at the same time, the member who is most distant from the Moderator's chair shall ordinarily speak first. In the discussion of all matters where the sentiment of the Synod is divided, it is proper that the floor should be occupied alternately by those representing the different sides of the question.
- 3) When more than three members of the Synod shall be standing at the same time, the Moderator shall require all to take their seats, the person only accepted who may be speaking.
- 4) Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the Moderator, and shall treat his fellow members, and especially the Moderator, with decorum and respect.
- 5) No speaker shall be interrupted, unless he be out of order, or for the purpose of correcting mistakes or misrepresentations.

- 6) Only properly accredited representatives from corresponding bodies of other denominations shall be seated as corresponding members in the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod.

#### *CHAPTER X—DECORUM*

- 1) Without express permission, no member of the Synod, while business is going on, shall engage in private conversation; nor shall members address one another nor any person present, but through the Moderator.
- 2) It is indispensable that members of the Synod maintain gravity and dignity while judicially convened; that they attend closely in their speeches to the subject under consideration, and avoid prolix and desultory harangues; and when they deviate from the subject it is the privilege of any member, and the duty of the Moderator, to call them to order.
- 3) If any member act, in any respect, in a disorderly manner, it shall be the privilege of any member, and the duty of the Moderator, to call him to order.
- 4) If any member consider himself aggrieved by a decision of the Moderator, it shall be his privilege to appeal to the Synod.
- 5) No member shall withdraw permanently from the Synod without giving notice to the Moderator. While Synod is in session, members should remain in session, and not leave the session unless absolutely necessary.

#### *CHAPTER XI—VOTING*

- 1) Members ought not, without weighty reasons, to decline voting, as this practice might leave the decision of important questions to a small proportion of the Synod.
- 2) When the Moderator has commenced taking the vote, no further debate or remark shall be admitted, unless there has evidently been a mistake, in which case the mistake shall be rectified, and the Moderator shall recommence taking the vote. The Moderator shall determine when all the ballots have been collected, and thereupon announce the closing of the poll. Should the hour for adjournment or recess arrive during the voting, it shall be postponed to finish the vote, unless the majority shall vote to adjourn; in which case the voting shall on the reassembling of the Synod, take precedence of all other business until it is finished.
- 3) The yeas and nays on any question shall not be recorded, unless one-third of the members present request a roll-call vote. If division is called for on any vote, it shall be by a rising vote without a count. If on such a rising vote the Moderator is unable to decide, or a quorum rise to second a call for “tellers,” then the vote shall be taken by

rising, and the count made by tellers who shall pass through the aisles and report to the Moderator the number voting on each side.

- 4) In all elections a majority of the ballots cast shall be requisite.
- 5) In elections when the number of nominees exceeds the number of persons to be elected, if after the first balloting the required number of persons is not elected, the name of the person or persons receiving the lowest number of votes shall be dropped from the list of nominees on each succeeding ballot, provided that the resultant number of remaining nominees be never less than one more than the number of persons to be elected. If the Moderator deem it wise in view of a long list of nominees for a particular office, and there is no objection from the floor, he may declare that a larger number be dropped on the first ballot.

#### *CHAPTER XII—ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF SYNOD*

- 1) The Administrative Committee shall be composed of the Moderator, the Stated Clerk, and two others appointed by the Moderator, plus one representative from each of the six major agencies (executive secretary or board member.)
- 2) The Administrative Committee shall function between Synods to assist in carrying out the actions of Synod, to assist in promoting the interests of the church as a whole by being an expiditing body, a clearing house, and a guiding voice for all activities and programs of Synod not specifically assigned to other agencies, committees or officers. It shall present a report to Synod.
- 3) The Administrative Committee shall be responsible for arrangements for the following General Synod. It shall present to Synod plans for the time and place of the next General Synod.
- 4) The Administrative Committee shall present to each General Synod a report on Synod's financial condition and a proposed budget for the coming year.
- 5) The Administrative Committee shall review the job description and the performance of the Stated Clerk at the end of the term.
- 6) The Administrative Committee shall not have authority to speak for the church on any matters which the General Synod has not specifically stated in its minutes, nor will it have authority to institute any actions and/or programs in the name of the General Synod which have not been specifically called for in the minutes of the General Synod

#### *CHAPTER XIII—AGENCIES*

- 1) Agencies shall be continuing and permanent boards. Each shall be composed of three classes, the term of each class being three years, members being chosen by ballot at the annual meeting of General Synod. Vacancies which occur between General Synods shall be filled by the next succeeding annual Synod.

2) There shall be six agencies, namely:

Board of Home Missions  
Christian Training, Incorporated  
Covenant College  
Covenant Theological Seminary  
National Presbyterian Missions  
World Presbyterian Missions

#### *CHAPTER XIV—SERVICE COMMITTEES*

1) Service Committees shall be permanent committees, composed of three classes, the term of each class being three years, members being chosen by ballot at the annual meeting of Synod. Vacancies which occur between General Synods shall be filled by the next succeeding annual Synod. The following shall be elected:

Chaplains Committee  
Fraternal Relations Committee  
Judicial Commission  
Knollwood Presbyterian Lodge  
Lamb Fund Aid Committee  
Magazine Committee (Mandate)  
Ministerial Welfare and Benefits Committee (Hospitalization)  
Nominating Committee  
Pension Fund Committee  
Reformed Presbyterian Foundation  
Trustees of Synod

#### *CHAPTER XV—STANDING COMMITTEES*

1) Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Moderator to stand during the continuance of Synod. The appointment of these committees shall be announced during the second sederunt of the Synod. The following committees shall be erected:

Attendance and Expense Committee  
Audit Committee  
Bills and Overtures Committee  
Presbytery Records Committee  
Resolutions Committee (Memorials)

#### *CHAPTER XVI—SPECIAL COMMITTEES*

1) Special Committees shall be erected to serve until the next General Synod. They shall be elected or appointed as determined by the General Synod, and may be continued by succeeding Synods if they so decide.

#### *CHAPTER XVII—BUDGET AND TRAVEL EXPENSES*

1) The Administrative Committee shall present to each General Synod

at its second sederunt a report on Synod's financial condition and a proposed budget for the coming year. Thereafter all actions of Synod which include a financial obligation shall be related to this proposed budget. A final budget will be adopted before each Synod adjourns.

- 2) No officers or members of the Synod shall have authority to commit the Synod to expenditures beyond the budget. All budgeted expenditures shall be authorized by the Administrative Committee or by the committee for which budgetary provision has been made.
- 3) At least a one dollar fee for General Synod expenses shall be included in each registration, and an offering be received each evening of the General Synod for the General Fund of Synod.
- 4) Ministers who are not pastors shall be asked to contribute \$10 per year to Synod's General Fund.
- 5) The General Synod shall urge its churches which do not contribute regularly through their budget to receive a special offering for the Synod on each Day of Prayer which it designates.
- 6) Travel compensation shall not be given to commissioners to the General Synod unless:
  - a) They attend every session of the Synod, or
  - b) a request is granted at the time of their enrollment to excuse an early departure from the Synod.

Men who are allowed to leave by later Synod action shall receive not more than half the amount they would otherwise be entitled to, except those who are excused because of an unforeseen emergency.

- 7) Formula for payment of travel expenses of Synod's commissioners.
  - a) Estimate of next year's Synod travel expenses, based on average of the last five years.
  - b) Multiply this figure by a travel differential factor accounting for the anticipated geographical change of location for Synod (possibly 1½ or 2)
  - c) Divide this product by the average number of delegates attending the past five years.
  - d) Add this figure to registration fee for every commissioner.
  - e) Pay travel expenses from the fees received.
- 8) The following Travel Expense formula is suggested as a guideline for all Agencies and Committees of Synod
  - a) Travel—Commercial Airline at tourist rates (where available) or mileage at \$.08 per mile per car, when a private car is used. Where the board member or missionary is normally located within fifty miles of the meeting place, no mileage will be allowed.
  - b) No salary compensation or contingent liability expenses will be assumed. No expenses will be paid unless the party is in attendance for the full meeting. (Exceptions may be made by vote of the board or committee.)
  - c) Expenses will be reimbursed only to the extent that other sources, other denominational agencies, or Synod do not cover the same.

- d) Agencies are cautioned to limit the size of their Executive Committees to provide for most efficient function, with economy in mind, and to endeavor to choose men who are geographically located near their headquarters.

### *CHAPTER XVIII—PRESBYTERY RECORDS*

- 1) Rules for keeping Presbytery Minutes
  - a) The Minutes of the presbytery shall be kept in lock-type record books with consecutive numbered pages.
  - b) The minutes shall be typewritten or pirnted, or reproductions from typewritten or printed masters, and shall be neat and legible.
  - c) The minutes shall state the date and place of each meeting, and the times of convening and adjourning.
  - d) If a meeting is held at a date, time, or place other than that for which it is called, such facts shall be recorded in the minutes, together with a statement of the reason(s) therefore.
  - e) The name of the person serving the meeting as Moderator shall be determinable from the minutes.
  - f) If the Stated Clerk is not present, a Clerk Pro Tem shall be selected and his selection shall be indicated in the minutes.
  - g) The minutes shall state the names of those present at each meeting, using the following categories:
    - 1) Ministers
    - 2) Elder commissioners (with indication as to churches they represent)
    - 3) Alternate elder commissioners (with indication as to churches they represent)
  - h) The names of ministerial members absent without excuse and of churches not represented by elder commissioners shall be indicated in the minutes of stated meetings.
  - i) The portion(s) of the call for a special meeting stating the purpose of the meeting shall be recorded verbatim in the minutes.
  - j) The minutes shall identify those who have offered opening and closing prayer at each particular session.
  - k) The minutes of each meeting shall be approved by the presbytery at the same or a subsequent meeting, such approval being recorded in the minutes. When minutes of a previous meeting (or meetings) are approved, the date(s) of said meeting(s) shall be given.
  - l) The minutes shall state that which is required to describe intelligibly the motions adopted and business transacted, together with such additional information as the presbytery deems desirable for historical purposes.
  - m) Each main motion shall normally be recorded in a separate paragraph. Subsidiary and procedural motions may be recorded in the same paragraph with the main motion to which they pertain.

Main motions may be recorded in the same paragraph if they are closely related and pertain to the same item of business.

- n) The minutes of the meetings of the presbytery shall appear in the minute book in the order in which the meetings occur. When a previous action of the presbytery is referred to, the date of the meeting in which the action occurred shall be given.
  - o) Insofar as possible, erasures, interlineations, and footnotes shall be avoided.
  - p) Documents and their specific location may be referred to in the minutes, and filed separately in a file maintained by the Clerk.
  - q) The Stated Clerk shall be responsible for the custody of the Minutes of the presbytery, and he shall be responsible for the presentation at each stated meeting of the minutes of such portion thereof as the presbytery may direct.
  - r) The minutes of each meeting of the presbytery shall be signed by the Moderator or Clerk of the meeting.
  - s) The Stated Clerk shall be responsible for the presentation to the General Synod for approval of all minutes of the presbytery which have been approved by the presbytery and not previously approved by the General Synod.
- 2) Rules for examining Presbytery minutes
- a) Presbyterial minutes shall be examined for conformity to (a) the Primary and secondary standards of the church, as to the substance of the actions and recorded, (b) the Synod's Rules for Keeping Presbytery Minutes, as to form structure, and minimum content, and (c) appropriate standards as to use of the English language.
  - b) Each set of presbyterial minutes shall be read by at least two members of the committee.
  - c) The committee may divide its work so that two or more members examine minutes primarily as to form and two or more members examine them primarily as to substance.
  - d) The finds of the committee, with respect to the minutes of each presbytery, shall be reported under the following categories, as appropriate:
    - 1) Notations: Typographical errors, misspellings, improper punctuation, non-prejudicial misstatements of fact, etc., may be reported under this category. Also failures to provide proper or sufficient information or identification, prejudicial misstatements of fact, etc., may be reported under this category.
    - 2) Exceptions: Violations of the Synod's Rules for Keeping Presbytery Minutes and actions which in substance appear not to conform to the Standards of the church or to be out of accord with the deliverances of General Synods, may be reported under this category.
  - e) The committee shall prepare a report concerning the minutes of each presbytery. The filling out of a form designed for the purpose, for each presbytery, shall meet the requirements of this sec-

- tion. After action by the Synod, one copy of the report shall be sent by the Stated Clerk to the presbytery. A second copy shall be retained by the Stated Clerk in a permanent file. A third copy shall be kept in the records of the committee which shall be maintained in a suitable binder. The custody of the records of the committee shall be the responsibility of the Stated Clerk.
- f) Notations and exceptions in the committee's reports shall be disposed of as follows:
    - 1) Notations shall normally be sent to the presbyteries by the Stated Clerk without being read before the Synod or recorded in its minutes.
    - 2) Exceptions shall be read before the Synod, recorded in its minutes, and disposed of as the Synod determines.
    - 3) The Synod shall adopt an appropriate motion with respect to the minutes of each presbytery, the following forms being examples:
      - a) That the minutes of the-----Presbytery be approved without exception.
      - b) That the minutes of the-----Presbytery be approved with the exceptions noted.
  - g) The Presbyteries shall take note in their minutes of exceptions taken by the Synod together with the corrections or explanations adopted by the presbytery to rectify them. The presbyteries shall advise the next General Synod of the disposition they have made of the exceptions.
  - h) Reports to the Synod from the presbyteries concerning disposition of exceptions taken by past Synods shall normally be referred to the committee without being read before the Synod. The committee shall examine such reports and shall report to the Synod its judgment as to the suitability of the disposition that has been made. The committee shall also present recommendations concerning all exceptions taken by previous Synods or committees, that have not been disposed of suitably.

#### *CHAPTER XIX—SUSPENSION OF STANDING RULES*

Any section of the Standing Rules may be suspended at any meeting of Synod, and for that Synod only, by a three-fourths vote of the members present.

#### *CHAPTER XX—AMENDMENT OF STANDING RULES*

The Standing Rules may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Synod the amendment having been proposed at the preceding Synod, either by way of overture from a presbytery, by a committee of the General Synod or by the Committee on Bills and Overtures, to which proposals by individual members shall be submitted.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) The Committee for Revising the Standing Rules of Synod recommends the above revisions be adopted provisionally as the Standing Rules of Synod, and
- 2) that the committee be continued for another year to work out the details of composition, description and duties of the agencies and committees listed in chapters XII, XIII, XIV, and XV.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul R. Gilchrist, Chairman  
J. Oliver Buswell, Jr.  
R. Laird Harris

Wilbur Siddons  
Wesley G. Vannoy  
Robert Hastings

It was moved, seconded and passed that Synod erect an Agency and Committee Records Committee and instruct the Revision of the Standing Rules Committee to present an appropriate description of composition and responsibilities for such a committee to the 151st General Synod.

Synod adjourned the sederunt with prayer by the Rev. Samuel Brown.

## MONDAY SEDERUNT

The Moderator called the Synod to order with the singing of "O for a Thousand Tongues," and prayer by the Rev. Egon Middleman.

**MINUTES OF FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SEDERUNTS:** The minutes of the first two sederunts were distributed and approved.

**BILLS AND OVERTURES:** On motion, Synod heard a brief report from the Bills and Overtures Committee presented by the Rev. John MacGregor. Regarding *Overture A, Petition Trustees to increase Lamb Fund*, the Committee recommended that Synod refer this matter to the Board of Trustees and to the Lamb Fund Committee to discuss jointly and to report back to this Synod. This recommendation was approved. (See page 89 for report on Overture A).

**COVENANT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY:** Dr. Robert G. Rayburn presented the report of the Seminary and expanded this verbally. The report follows:

Fathers and Brethren:

The sixteenth year of Covenant Theological Seminary has been a year of testings and of significant blessings. The testings have come because of several unexpected developments. The first was a small drop in enrollment—the first we have experienced. Several factors contributed

to the lower enrollment not the least of which was the general economic condition in the country. We do believe the drop was temporary, and we are setting our sights toward increasing this year's enrollment of an even 100.

Our second test came with the loss of Mr. Louie Barnes, Jr., our Director of Development. Because Mr. Barnes had originally come to study at the seminary as one who had been called of the Lord into the gospel ministry, we certainly could not complain against his decision to accept a call to pastor a large church in California, but we felt his loss in the program here very keenly. At the time this report is being written, we have not yet found a replacement for Mr. Barnes. We are asking the Lord to give us one soon.

To balance the disappointments we have mentioned, however, God has given us some unusual blessings. He has brought to our campus a fine group of new students with very excellent promise and there have been significant spiritual victories won in many lives.

We were able to announce in February the appointment of Dr. William S. Barker as our new Dean of the Faculty and Associate Professor of Church History. This is the first time since the seminary was founded that we have had a full-time professor of Church History, and it is a special joy to welcome to the faculty one of our own graduates who has already as a young man distinguished himself as a scholar-teacher and administrator at Covenant College.

Following hard upon our appointment of Dr. Barker came the thrilling news that Dr. J. Barton Payne, a noted Evangelical Old Testament scholar, was accepting our offer of a post of Professor of Old Testament to share this department with Dr. R. Laird Harris. This brings Dr. Payne, who has served most recently on the graduate faculties of Wheaton College and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, not only to Covenant Seminary but also into the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, for he is one with us in our witness for the Reformed Faith.

These two appointments round out a seminary faculty for which we believe Reformed Presbyterians can certainly praise God. We expect the news of this enlargement of our faculty to have a very beneficial effect on our recruitment for the fall.

Along with the addition of faculty members, however, comes a significant financial challenge. If the RPC,ES is to have a top-ranking seminary with highly trained scholars on its faculty, we must very frankly face the necessity of providing the required finances. Covenant Seminary faculty members serve sacrificially; they have repeatedly demonstrated their dedication to the Lord and to the church in their splendid attitude concerning the seminary's financial limitations. We have no right, however, to take advantage of these men and every church must re-examine its own commitment to the training of our future ministers and missionaries. Attached to this report is an itemized listing of gifts received from our denominational churches. Eleven of the 126 churches

provided more than half of the gift income. Our denomination does not have wealthy churches, but we believe that with careful stewardship we can properly support all our agencies.

The growth in our Covenant Seminary Club has not been as large as we had hoped. At the end of 1970 we had 410 members giving \$6,290 per month. At present we have 598, which is more than one-fourth of our goal of 2,000 members. They are distributed as follows:

<i>Membership Contribution</i>	<i>Number of Seminary Club Members Contributing</i>	<i>Total Monthly</i>
\$ 5	260	\$ 1,300
10	197	1,970
15	35	525
20	31	620
25	36	900
30	7	210
50	20	1,000
100	10	1,000
150	1	150
200	1	200
	598	\$ 7,875

Covenant Seminary has submitted its institutional self-study to the North Central Association with an application for membership which if accepted would mean full regional accreditation. The preparation of this self-study has involved more than two years of effort on behalf of the administration and faculty under a committee headed by Dr. W. Harold Mare. We earnestly solicit the prayers of the entire Synod that the North Central Association will act favorably on this application at its meeting next March. We recognize, however, that among the most vitally important matters before us are (1) the necessity of bringing our current operation into the black by the end of our fiscal year, June 30, and (2) increasing our Seminary Club membership substantially so that the visitation team from the North Central Association which will come in the fall will recognize that since we have minimal endowment funds the club membership provides a "living endowment" for the school.

The 20% increase in giving over the past year is encouraging. The monthly totals of gift income for the past two calendar years is as follows:

<i>Gifts and Grants</i>	<i>1970</i>	<i>1971</i>
January	\$ 13,5	\$ 19,2
February	10,6	17,6
March	10,8	15,2
April	11,7	19,8

May	16,9	13,6
June	9,3	23,5
July	15,1	20,8
August	10,1	15,0
September	11,4	19,0
October	12,7	15,9
November	14,4	14,1
December	51,1	31,6
	\$ 187,6	\$ 225,3

It is evident, however, that if the seminary is to be recognized as having a stable financial base the regular gift income will need to be substantially increased.

Our faculty members have been widely used throughout the denomination and in other evangelical churches during the past year. They have conducted seminars, Bible conferences and evangelistic campaigns and have contributed substantially to the widening appreciation of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod in the nation.

The fine class of young men who will be graduated by the time our annual Synod meeting is held in Harvey Cedars include, as usual, a large percentage of men who will be serving the Lord in the churches and mission activities of our denomination. We earnestly seek to serve the interests of our own church in every possible way.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert G. Rayburn  
President

### COVENANT SEMINARY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1971

#### *INCOME*

Gifts and Grants		\$ 225,462.60
General Fund	\$ 218,198.98	
Library Bldg. Fund	2,335.17	
Student Aid	4,928.45	
Student Accounts		58,067.31
Miscellaneous Income		2,430.87
Residence Halls		1,366.00
Dining Halls		1,097.43
Other Enterprises		1,001.88
Rental Income		1,500.00
Interest & Dividends		403.63
		\$ 291,329.72
Loans		15,900.00
Remunerations & Refunds		6,984.14



R.P. Church, Cherry Valley	-----	10.00	10.00
Colorado:			
Evang. Pres., Colorado Springs	7,575.00	1,348.00	8,923.00
Emmanuel R.P., Denver	160.00	-----	160.00
Covenant R.P., Wheatridge	60.00	145.00	205.00
Connecticut:			
Presbyterian Church, Manchester	280.00	20.00	300.00
Delaware:			
Evang. Pres., Newark	2,620.50	701.00	3,321.50
Bethany R.P., New Castle	427.00	147.00	574.00
Berea Pres., Wilmington	159.00	-----	159.00
Faith Pres., Wilmington	4,529.00	2,438.22	6,967.22
Florida:			
Westminster Pres., Ft. Walton Beach	1,563.30	70.00	1,633.30
Covenant Pres., Lakeland	1,510.00	105.00	1,615.00
Covenant Pres., Naples	1,748.26	480.00	2,228.26
First Pres., No. Port Charlotte	234.00	152.00	386.00
Immanuel Evang. Pres., Goldenrod	-----	50.00	50.00
Grace Pres., Pinellas Park	7.00	5.00	12.00
Faith Pres., Sarasota	550.00	50.00	600.00
First Pres., Valparaiso	-----	5.00	5.00
Georgia:			
Faith Pres., Savannah	396.74	205.00	601.74
Illinois:			
Westminster Pres., Alton	59.00	260.50	319.50
Evang. Pres., Carbondale	130.00	20.00	150.00
Grandcote R.P., Coulterville	1,342.35	660.00	2,002.35
Faith Bible Pres., Cutler	18.00	345.00	532.00
Westminster Pres., Elgin	4,285.58	2,347.00	6,632.58
Bethel R.P., Sparta	25.00	200.00	225.00
Indiana:			
First Bible Pres., Indianapolis	749.00	155.00	904.00
First R.P., Indianapolis	80.00	205.00	285.00
Westminster Pres., Muncie	1,555.00	90.00	1,645.00
Westminster Pres., Vincennes	7.50	32.00	39.50
Iowa:			
Indian Creek R.P., Cedar Rapids	80.66	25.00	105.66
Bible Pres. of Cono Center, Walker	188.19	235.00	423.19
Kentucky:			
R.P. Mission, Owensboro	-----	350.00	350.00
Maryland:			
Evang. Pres., Annapolis	818.57	220.00	1,038.57
Evang. Pres., Baltimore	1,717.15	1,100.00	2,817.15
Evang. Pres., Elkton	134.00	8.00	142.00
Liberty R.P., Randallstown	100.00	26.00	126.00

Timonium Pres., Timonium	300.00	150.00	450.00
Michigan:			
Christ Church, Grand Rapids	462.50	225.00	687.50
Missouri:			
Bethel Pres., Affton	817.25	299.00	1,116.25
Glen Ridge R.P., Chesterfield	767.00	1,486.56	7,253.56
Lafayette Pres., Ellisville	-----	258.00	258.00
Hazelwood R.P., Hazelwood	1,782.75	1,828.08	3,610.83
Covenant Pres., St. Louis	10,120.50	15,558.75	25,679.25
Grace and Peace, St. Louis	105.00	7,135.00	7,240.00
Olive Branch Pres., St. Louis	232.00	70.00	302.00
Nebraska:			
Trinity Pres., Kearney	2,355.00	135.00	2,490.00
New Jersey:			
Calvary Pres., Brick Town	100.00	15.00	115.00
Evang. Pres., Camden	777.50	390.00	1,167.50
Covenant Pres., Cherry Hill	2,504.33	4,441.00	6,945.33
Seaside Bible, Seaside Heights	16.50	-----	16.50
Evang. Pres., Trenton	810.00	455.00	1,265.00
Ventnor Pres., Ventnor City	-----	-----	-----
Evang. Pres., Williamstown	184.00	60.00	244.00
New Mexico:			
Westminster R.P., Alamogordo	253.85	35.00	288.85
University Pres., Las Cruces	839.53	842.00	1,680.53
New York:			
R.P. Church, Duanesburg	781.16	100.00	881.16
Westminster Pres., Newburgh	728.00	268.00	996.00
North Carolina:			
Second St. Pres., Albemarle	625.00	-----	625.00
Faith Pres., Charlotte	436.05	55.00	491.05
Lednum St. Pres., Durham	20.00	-----	20.00
Meadowview Pres., Lexington	100.00	-----	100.00
R.P. Church, Reidsville	-----	205.00	205.00
Trinity Pres., Wilmington	164.82	-----	164.82
North Dakota:			
Reformed Pres., Dodge	-----	25.00	25.00
R.P. Church, Underwood	445.00	219.35	664.35
Ohio:			
Trinity Pres., Columbus	300.00	251.00	551.00
Robinwood Pres., Youngstown	239.28	725.00	964.28
Oklahoma:			
First Pres., Minco	543.80	756.00	1,299.80
Calvary Pres., Stilwell	-----	47.00	47.00
Christ Pres., Tulsa	15.00	865.00	880.00
Pennsylvania:			
Christ Pres., Beaver Falls	468.21	1,105.50	1,573.71

R.P. Church, Darlington	156.55	170.00	326.55
View Crest Community, Eighty-Four	288.33	210.00	498.33
Bible Pres., Enon Valley	436.55	60.00	496.55
Covenant Pres., Glen Mills	527.00	100.00	627.00
Rocky Springs Pres., Harrisville	-----	-----	-----
Beechwood R.P., Havertown	-----	25.00	25.00
Fairveiw R.P., Industry	151.20	-----	151.20
Calvin Pres., Irwin	711.00	190.00	901.00
Calvary Pres., King of Prussia	-----	-----	-----
R.P. Church, Kittanning	240.00	-----	240.00
Westminster Pres., Lancaster	520.00	445.00	965.00
Lansdale Pres., Lansdale	570.00	-----	570.00
Evangelical Pres., Levittown	2,108.81	117.00	2,225.81
Calvary Pres., Media	100.00	200.00	300.00
Christ R.P., Newcastle	271.00	45.00	316.00
Christ Reformed Pres., Oreland	78.70	818.29	896.99
Fifth R.P., Philadelphia	280.00	-----	280.00
Third R.P., Philadelphia	250.00	60.00	310.00
First R.P., Pittsburgh	2,971.39	784.00	3,775.39
Faith R.P., Quarryville	2,496.00	211.99	2,707.99
Titusville Pres., Titusville	-----	218.00	218.00
Calvary Pres., Warminster	233.08	176.00	409.08
Calvary Pres., Willow Grove	1,450.00	717.50	2,167.50
South Carolina:			
First R.P., Anderson	148.98	10.00	158.98
R.P. Church, Charleston	-----	220.00	220.00
St. Andrews Pres., Columbia	50.00	-----	50.00
Augusta Street Pres., Greenville	2,380.00	680.00	3,060.50
Mitchell Road Pres., Greenville	1,115.00	225.00	1,340.00
Shannon Forest Pres., Greenville	1,300.00	1,235.00	2,535.00
Faith Pres., Myrtle Beach	500.00	10.00	510.00
Walnut Grove Pres., Roebuck	50.00	-----	50.00
South Dakota:			
R.P. Church, Lemmon	104.01	-----	104.01
Tennessee:			
First R.P., Lookout Mountain	1,735.20	514.00	2,249.20
First R.P., Memphis	557.50	355.00	912.50
R.P. Church, Nashville	700.00	45.00	745.00
Texas:			
Westminster Pres., Bedford	120.00	110.00	230.00
Town North Pres., Dallas	-----	400.00	400.00
Westminster Pres., Gainesville	1,195.50	1,045.00	2,240.50
Virginia:			
Calvary Pres., Hampton	20.00	1.00	21.00
McLean Pres., McLean	1,195.00	438.00	1,633.00

Stony Point R.P., Richmond	10.00	-----	10.00
Westminster R.P., Suffolk	-----	10.00	10.00
Washington:			
Westminster Evang. Pres., Everett	910.00	680.00	1,590.00
Covenant Pres., Issaquah	543.01	105.00	648.01
First Evang. Pres., Seattle	1,453.00	433.00	1,886.00
Highline R.P., Seattle	146.38	50.00	196.38
Faith Evang. Pres., Tacoma	929.45	419.00	1,348.45
Wisconsin:			
Bible Pres., Merrill	1,134.20	8.75	1,142.95
Canada:			
Glenmore R.P., Calvary	405.00	-----	405.00
Crestwood Pres., Edmonton	-----	5.00	5.00
Covenant R.P., Newcastle	25.00	-----	25.00
Westminster Pres., Nova Scotia	-----	75.00	75.00
	<u>\$ 94,273.17</u>	<u>\$68,241.49</u>	<u>\$162,514.66</u>

**LECTIONS TO COVENANT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY BOARD:** The nominating Committee presented the ballot for members of Covenant Theological Seminary: \*Paul Alexander INC, \*Charles Holliday INC 2/3, \*Hughson INC, \*Don MacNair INC, \*E. T. Noe INC, \*Richard Ellingsworth, \*Robert Gray, \*Joel Patterson, \*William Ragsdale, \*Ted Smith, Howard Oak-Rev. Stephen Smallman and Rev. George Miladin were nominated from floor. Nominations closed.

**BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS:** The Rev. Samuel Ward expanded the written report with a slide illustrated presentation of the Oklahoma Mission.

#### Fathers and Brethren:

Rev. Hayes Henry returned to the Oklahoma Mission near Stilwell in June, 1971, so the work has been in operation since its reactivation almost a year. The Board has held one meeting at the mission site and was well pleased to see the work that is being carried on by the Henrys. Their field covers about seventy-five square miles of rugged rural area. We have a stone church building at Peavine that is in good condition. Mr. Henry has a preaching station in a community building about seven miles from Peavine and services are held regularly in both locations. The work among the young people is especially encouraging.

Support for the Oklahoma mission has been sufficient from the very first month to pay expenses in full. Since that time we have been able to meet the regular expenses. We had thought that it would take some time for the income to come up to the needs, but we are especially thankful to the Lord for this full provision.

The Board feels that as soon as possible other missionaries should be sent to the field. This is our present concern and we present this matter to the denomination for the concern of all of us.

The Board stands ready to serve the Synod in other capacities if it is called upon to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles B. Holliday, Secretary

**BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
3/31/71 through 3/31/72**

Balance March 31, 1971		\$ 529.12
<i>Income:</i>		
Houston Account:		
From Churches and Individuals	\$ 374.95	
Board of Trustees (accumulated income from investments)	2,973.52	
Board of Trustees (Current Income from investments)	592.11	
Transferred from savings acct. 3/16/72	400.00	
	\$ 4,340.58	4,340.58
Oklahoma Account:		
From Churches and Individuals	\$ 7,902.07	
NPM (fund held in escrow)	86.50	
	\$ 7,988.57	7,988.57
Refund from travel expenses	23.00	23.00
Total income for year		\$ 12,881.27
<i>Expenses:</i>		
Houston Account:		
Retirement Payments	\$ 2,400.00	
Hospitalization (Miss Foster)		
Inter-County	\$ 63.20	
Personal Policy	98.00	
	\$ 161.20	161.20
Transferred to savings account 8/16/71	2,000.00	
	\$ 4,561.20	\$ 4,561.20
Oklahoma Account (begun 6/1/71):		
Salary	\$ 3,910.81	
Housing Allowance	1,000.00	
Car Allowance	1,000.00	
Summer VBS & Camp program	350.00	
Hospitalization	290.00	
Pension	90.00	

Donation to repairs on E. Peavine building (Calvary Pres. Church) by Burry's Church	100.00	
Gift to help Karen Rutherford	7.00	
Adjustment on Canadian check	.30	
	<u>        </u>	
	\$ 6,748.11	\$ 6,748.11
<b>Board Expenses:</b>		
Publicity (Letters sent out announcing the re-opening of Oklahoma Mission	\$ 619.25	
Travel		
To Board meeting in Okla.	\$ 104.24	
To Inter-Agency meetings	<u>191.00</u>	
	\$ 295.24	295.24
Room & Board at Okla. meeting		25.00
Phone Calls		3.00
<b>Office Expenses:</b>		
Imprinted Checks	\$ 4.84	
Addressograph plates	52.11	
Receipt books	13.17	
Envelopes	9.30	
Postage	<u>28.59</u>	
	\$ 108.01	<u>108.01</u>
		\$ 1,050.50
		<u>\$ 1,050.50</u>
Total Expenses for year		\$ 12,359.81
Total Income		\$ 12,881.27
Total Expenses		<u>\$ 12,359.81</u>
Balance on hand March 31, 1972		521.46

**FRATERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE:** With the consent of the Synod, Dr. Rayburn presented the report of the Fraternal Relations Committee. He first introduced the Rev. Jack White, Director of Religious Affairs of Geneva College as the fraternal delegate from the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. Mr. White augmented the message of greetings that he had given at the Sunday morning service by further greetings and remarks at this particular time.

Dr. Rayburn then presented the report of the Committee itself which had been distributed, and especially emphasized the recommendations concerning a basis of the union with the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. The report follows:

Fathers and Brethren:

Your Fraternal Relations Committee has taken care of the appointment of fraternal delegates to the annual synods or assemblies of the several churches with which we have established fraternal relations both in this country and abroad.

We are sure, however, that your main interest as far as this committee's work is concerned is in the progress of our talks with the Committee on Ecumenicity and Inter-Church Relations of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church with respect to the possible merger of our two denominations. We are pleased to report that at our most recent joint meeting with this committee it was voted without dissent that the two committees would recommend to their respective synod and general assembly the following two actions which our committee hereby recommends to this synod:

1) The adoption of the following as the *Basis of Union* between the Orthodox Presbyterian Church and the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod: (Note: This statement leaves out the Adopting Act from the original printed statement which was circulated, but otherwise it has been amended by the joint committee in only one paragraph by an addition which is italicized.)

#### *I. PREAMBLE*

The Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, and the Orthodox Presbyterian Church are churches in the United States of America having one Lord, one faith, and one baptism. In determining to unite in one Scriptural order and to remove every barrier to full fellowship in the service of Christ, these churches come acknowledging both God's grace and their sins in days past and trusting in the renewal of the Holy Ghost for days to come.

They would first make mention of what Christ has wrought in their confession and service.

Both churches come rejoicing in one Sovereign Saviour, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Both churches believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice. Both churches therefore have sought to be obedient to Scripture in teaching and life, in order and worship. Because the inspiration and divine authority of Scripture have been questioned and denied within the professing church, the acknowledgement of the Bible to be the Word of God written is the more necessary for those who would stand today in the apostolic gospel: "that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures and that he was buried; and that he hath been raised on the third day according to the Scriptures."

These two churches have a common background in our struggle to maintain the clear teachings of the Word of God that our Lord Jesus

Christ was born of the Virgin Mary, worked mighty miracles, offered up himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice and to reconcile us to God, that on the third day he rose again from the dead with the same body with which he suffered, with which also he ascended into heaven, and there sitteth at the right hand of his Father, making intercession.

Modernism, old and new, in denying these doctrines and the infallibility of the Word that teaches them, denies the Lord of the Word and casts aside the scepter of his rule in his church. Since the fellowship of the church of Jesus Christ must be grounded in the truth the spread of apostasy brings division. Our churches exist because we have chosen to obey God rather than man in conflict with false teaching in the church.

Yet in opposing such denials of doctrines essential to the Word of God and our secondary standards, these churches have not reduced the whole counsel of God to a few fundamentals of Christian faith.

Rather with the renewal of obedience to the Word of God there has come a renewal of rejoicing in the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures. Both churches have adopted the Confession of Faith in virtually identical form, a form that precedes the modifying amendments made to the Confession by the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America in 1903. The two churches have one Confession, a Confession that expresses the glorious fullness of the Reformed Faith, declaring without equivocation that salvation is of the Lord. *Soli deo gloria!*

New obedience to the revelation of the grace of God in Jesus Christ has kindled new desire for holy living. Both churches have manifested deep concern that Christians be not conformed to this world in an age of license, but rather be transformed into the image of Christ. These churches have turned again to the law of God, believing that contemporary immorality springs not only from the lusts of the flesh but also from hatred of the truth. The apostasy that casts off the authority of God's Word of commandment revealed in Scripture is at the last more destructive than guilty sensuality.

Because both churches teach obedience to the revealed commandments of Christ they have also sought to apply these specific commandments to modern life.

The Orthodox Presbyterian Church has called attention to the specific instruction of our subordinate standards, particularly the Larger Catechism, on the requirements of the Word of God for holy living. The Westminster Larger Catechism so applies the Ten Commandments, warning that each commandment implies the specific forbidding of all sins of that kind, "together with all the causes,

means, occasions and appearances thereof and provocations thereunto" (Q. 99).

The plan for the union of the Reformed Presbyterian Church with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church to form the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, contained a declaration on the Christian life in which the united church emphasized the applicability of God's commandments to questions of conduct and practice that arise in the modern world.

The acknowledgement of Scripture as the infallible rule of faith and life has therefore borne fruit in both these churches in specific exposition and application of the Bible to learn what man is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of man. In life as in faith the rule of the Word of God is both specific and inclusive. As the church is led into all truth by the Word, so is it led into all righteousness: whatever we do, individually in our hearts, together in our homes and communities, or corporately in the church of Christ, we are to do to the glory of God.

In uniting their witness, these churches would seek to grow in love and new obedience to Christ, finding in that obedience the remedy for both legalism and antinomianism. We dare not build a hedge around God's law, adding to it the burdensome traditions of men. Neither may we ever cease to hear in the law the voice of the living God, whose will and nature are revealed in his commandments. Yet respect for the liberty of the sons of God must not dampen our pastoral zeal to warn those in our charge against particular sins and against those practices in contemporary life that become frequent occasions of sin. When the mass media pander to unlawful sexual appetites, the Saviour's warning about the lustful look must be part of the church's instruction. When respect for human life is cheapened by glorified violence or when the proper function of the body is impaired through narcotics, stimulants, and hallucinogenic drugs, the church must teach that our bodies are for the Lord and oppose those who exploit for gain those desires that rebel against God's ordinances for human life. Apart from the courageous application of Scripture to individual and social sins in the context of modern life the church cannot fulfill the whole ministry of the Word of God. *As the occasion demands, such application must be made not only by pastors and sessions, but also by presbyteries, synods, and general assemblies according to the principles of Chapter XXXI of the Confession of Faith (Of Synods and Councils), which are based upon the Council of Jerusalem (Acts 15).* The forming of Christian consciences to prove the things that differ is most necessary so that the church shall not be conformed to the lawlessness of an unbelieving world.

Nowhere does the direction of the Word of the Lord appear more clearly in the witness of these churches than in the work of missions

and evangelism. Not only do the doctrines of grace require the seeking of the lost by those who are drawn by the Son of God to know the Father's heart of mercy; the express command of the arisen Saviour sends his disciples to the ends of the world and the end of the age. In obedience to Christ's Great Commission the Orthodox Presbyterian Church and the Reformed Presbyterian Church have carried forward constantly expanding missionary programs at home and abroad. Concern for the soundness of the missionary message in the former Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. led to the establishment of the Independent Board for Presbyterian Foreign Missions, and to the division that was forced upon those who refused to surrender that testimony. In the work of World Presbyterian Missions of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod and the Committee on Foreign Missions of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church the cause of truly Presbyterian missions has prospered. More than one hundred and ten missionaries now serve in thirteen countries with the support of these agencies. In addition, the gospel is preached by more than thirty-six men supported at least in part by corresponding home mission agencies. Evangelism is also served by the printed word through the labors of our committees on Christian education.

In contrast to the secularized evangelism that would substitute political action for the proclamation of Christ's kingdom, the Biblical evangelism to which these churches are committed recognizes that Christ must be obeyed in his program; that the gospel must be preached to all nations, and that until he comes only the sword of the spirit may be wielded in his name. These churches have sought to manifest the compassion of Christ by deeds of mercy and to proclaim the gospel of Christ by words of power, but the power they claim is spiritual. "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh; (for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but mighty before God to the casting down of . . .) imaginations and every high thing that is exalted against the knowledge of God. . . ." (II Corinthians 10:3-5).

In so speaking of the witness of our churches we know that we have nothing that we have not received and that we have this treasure in earthen vessels. We would therefore with lowliness, meekness, forbearance, and long suffering give diligence to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. To this end we of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, and the Orthodox Presbyterian Church would remove every wall of partition that divides us, manifesting in one fellowship of order and service that unity under the Word of Christ that we profess as members of his body.

We do confess that all saints that are united to Jesus Christ their Head, by his Spirit, and by faith have fellowship with him in his grace, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory; and, being united to one another in love, have communion in each other's gifts and graces.

As God now offers to us opportunity we would assume the obligation of our profession to extend and maintain toward one another a holy fellowship and communion in the worship of God, in performing such other spiritual services as tend to our mutual edification, and in relieving one another according to our several abilities and necessities.

May the ascended Lord fill us with his Spirit and bless this work of ministering till we all attain unto the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a fullgrown man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

## *II. THE DOCTRINAL STANDARDS*

The text of the Confession of Faith of the Assembly of Divines at Westminster in 1646, except for those slight revisions adopted by the Orthodox Presbyterian Church (the text is available in the *Trinity Hymnal* and also as a separate pamphlet from the Committee on Christian Education of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church).

The text of the Westminster Larger Catechism in its original form, with the amendments adopted by the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod in reference to answers 86-89 which seek to ensure neutrality in regard to the eschatological sequence (these amendments are found in the Minutes of the 141st General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, General Synod, 1964, page 20).

The text of the Westminster Shorter Catechism in its original form.

## *III. STANDARDS OF GOVERNMENT, DISCIPLINE AND WORSHIP*

A. The Form of Government of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, as amended by the joint meeting of the two committees on January 9, 1969 to change Chapter 1, Section 5 from "All rules, constitutional, permanent or temporary, adopted by any court of the church are of force only as based upon or in accord with the Scriptures." to read "All rules, constitutional, permanent or temporary, adopted by any court of the church are of force only as based upon, *and* in accord with the Scriptures" (Committee's italics). It is proposed that this Form as amended, the present Form of Government of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church and also the Second Revised Version of the Proposed Revision of the Form of Government of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church be referred to a Committee on Form of Government in the united Church for further study and recommendations.

B. The Book of Discipline of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. It is proposed that this book, the present Book of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod and also the Proposed Book of Discipline of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod

be referred to a Committee on the Book of Discipline in the united Church for further study and recommendations.

C. The Directory for Worship of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. It is proposed that this Directory and the Proposed Directory of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod be referred to a Committee on the Directory for Worship in the united Church for further study and recommendations.

2) To instruct the Fraternal Relations Committee to work with the Committee on Ecumenicity and Inter-Church Relations of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church to prepare a Plan of Union to be submitted to the 1973 General Assembly and Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert G. Rayburn  
Chairman, Fraternal Relations Committee

It was moved and seconded to adopt recommendation 1. After considerable discussion the orders of the day were called for at 10:00 a.m. However, it was moved, seconded and carried to continue discussion for 15 minutes.

At 10:15 a.m. Synod recessed with prayer by the Rev. Max Belz. At 11:00 a.m. the assembly was reconvened as Elder Gordon Shaw led in prayer.

A motion that discussion of the Fraternal Relations Committee report be continued at this time was made. However, a motion to postpone this discussion until 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday morning was seconded and carried. (Continued on page 77).

**COVENANT COLLEGE:** The Vice Moderator, Rev. William McColley, took the chair. Dr. Marion D. Barnes, president of Covenant College, presented the report for the College which was expanded orally. He read several communications, one from a student who had especially been appreciative of the course "Foundations in Modern Culture," and a commendatory letter from the Georgia State Department of Education.

Other speakers included Dr. Nicholas Barker, the newly appointed Dean of the Faculty; Dr. Franklin Dyrness, Chairman of the Financial Affairs Committee of the Board who spoke commending Mr. John Barnes, the Business Manager and now Vice President for Business Affairs; the Rev. C. Don Darling, Director of Development.

After further discussion Synod gave a rising vote of appreciation to Dr. William Barker for his efforts toward Covenant's accreditation. The report follows:

Fathers and Brethren:

Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift!

We are indeed grateful unto God for all that He has done for Covenant

College in times past, for the gift of His Son, the firm foundation of Jesus Christ on which this institution is based and whose motto exalts Him in the quotation from Colossians “. . . that in all things He (Christ) might have the pre-eminence.”

Covenant College is grateful to God also for the denomination which controls it and for the involvement of so many of our fathers and brethren in their ministry at Covenant College last year.

The spiritual thrust of Covenant College has been accompanied by great blessing. We started the year with our spiritual emphasis week scheduled somewhat after the start of school in order to give the students a chance to get settled and to be able to devote their time more responsively to the spiritual ministry of those participating. This year we used primarily our own people, Dr. Sanderson, Dr. Barker, Dr. Young, Mr. Jones, in order to impress our students with the continuing nature of our spiritual testimony and to give the whole program the appearance of being more indigenous than imported. The series of meetings with Dr. Buswell was unquestionably a major highlight of our spiritual year. His time with us will be remembered for a long, long time by all those present and his ministry of the Word will have a continuing impact on us for years to come.

Covenant College is grateful also this year for the ministry of the several R.P. agencies on campus. Mr. Mahlow presented the missionary challenge on behalf of W.P.M. and he had the able assistance of Mr. Harvey Conn of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. The ministry of these men was very greatly appreciated. Mr. MacNair presented N.P.M. to our students in a challenging way and spent a whole week with us, which we expect to continue to bear much fruit. We were pleased and blessed to have Dr. Rayburn from the Seminary to deliver our commencement address and we expect a substantial number of our young men will be going to Covenant Seminary next fall. The student body also responded extremely well to the ministry of Mr. Henry Krabben-dam, an O.P. minister from the West Coast and indeed we are deeply grateful to God for the ministry of all of these servants to the needs of our hearts.

#### *Other Highlights of the Year*

In the academic area, the publication of Mrs. Steensma's book entitled TO THOSE WHO TEACH has had a continuing impact on the Christian educational world. Further, the new course started last year entitled, The Foundations of Modern Culture continues to be an academic stand-out, not only in our school, but in the peer group of schools to which we relate. These lectures, given by several of our professors, taken by all entering students, will be taped next year and will be made available to those of you who may desire to have them.

Covenant College was admitted this year to membership in The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, which means that it became

accredited. This represents the achievement of a long standing goal toward which much prayer, money, sweat and tears have been expended. We are deeply grateful to God for that achievement, particularly since we believe it has been brought about without any sacrifice of our spiritual values.

The construction program has made great progress. The dormitory is now finished, will house a hundred students and will be very much needed next year. The library and physical education buildings are expected to be completed by the beginning of September and will be in full use during the coming academic year. We have not named the dormitory or the physical education building, but the library will be named for Mr. Stanley Kresge's mother.

A major gift by Mr. Stanley Kresge, a fine Christian businessman of Detroit, Michigan, will continue to have a major impact on the college for years to come. His gift of a total of \$235,000 was divided essentially in two parts: \$135,000 for the completion of the library and \$100,000 for the Kresge Collection for Christian Learning, by which is meant a collection of books constituting all of those titles which we are able to identify and acquire that have had a major impact on the Christian position of the several disciplines that we deal with at the college. The initial part of this collection will be oriented toward undergraduate study and instruction, but we expect to develop a substantial reference collection also.

Student activities have continued vigorous, meaning, amongst other things, the students in the Christian Service Activities have been involved in an inner city work at Third and Cherry in downtown Chattanooga, which has been sponsored by the local R.P. church and staffed primarily by faculty and students from Covenant College. This work is gaining substantial recognition by the City of Chattanooga and we expect that it will continue to grow.

Further, I can report that we expect to have the air clean in Chattanooga by Friday, October 13. This date has been designated "Clean Air Day" for Chattanooga. The Chamber of Commerce of Chattanooga got your president involved in this some time ago and according to their own admission they feel that this is the piece of work of all that they have done and sponsored in the last four or five years of which they are most proud.

### *Continuing Challenge*

The recruiting of faculty and staff continues to be a major challenge. Subsequent to the announcement of accreditation and in some instances slightly before, we suffered a total loss of seven faculty members and one major administrative staff member. During the past year it has been necessary to replace the business manager, the development director and the dean of the faculty. In addition, it has been necessary to replace a number of faculty people. We are particularly grateful to

God for His providing able replacements for those that have gone and we believe that the quality of the faculty and the staff at Covenant College still stands very high indeed.

Whereas gifts to capital projects have been very encouraging, gifts to our operating expenses are very discouraging. The college will operate in the red this year for the first time in the last 3 years. Particularly distressing in this regard is the lack of RPCES support. Not only is support extremely weak in the financial area, but we observe a declining relative enrollment of R.P. students. The percentage of R.P. students in Covenant College has continued to go down over the past several years in spite of all of our efforts so far to change that trend. In view of the fact that so many of our R.P. people have told us that when we become accredited, our support would increase, we trust that we will see a substantial change in both regards during the coming months. We cannot overemphasize, however, the seriousness of this problem to the college's well-being and to the administration's emotional stability.

*General Outlook*

We believe that the outlook for Covenant College is indeed bright. We believe that sooner or later the Reformed Presbyterian Church will begin to realize what it has in the college and what it stands to use or to lose and will therefore begin to support it in earnest. We also believe that the college is unique in its combination of its spiritual and academic thrust and is a credit to the denomination and to the Chattanooga community. We do earnestly solicit more involvement on the part of our fathers and brethren in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion D. Barnes  
President

COVENANT COLLEGE  
INFORMATION STATEMENT—CURRENT OPERATIONS  
January 1—December 31, 1971

*REVENUES*

Educational and General:	
Student Fees	\$ 449,727.80
Governmental Appropriations	50,845.75
Gifts (Private)	190,436.12
Other Sources	<u>4,994.16</u>
Total Educational and General	\$ 696,003.83
Student Aid:	24,774.34
Auxiliary Enterprises:	<u>452,324.31</u>
<b>TOTAL CURRENT REVENUES</b>	<b><u>\$1,173,102.48</u></b>

## *EXPENDITURES*

Educational and General:		
Instructional	\$ 270,892.19	
Library	67,083.08	
Student Services	72,872.12	
Maintenance of Plant	103,711.41	
General and Administrative	94,054.19	
Development and Public Relations	43,565.40	
General Institutional	<u>23,315.46</u>	
Total Educational and General		\$ 675,493.85
Student Aid:		79,036.22
Auxiliary Enterprises:		<u>392,509.53</u>
TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSITURES		\$1,147,039.60
NET MARGIN FROM OPERATIONS		<u>\$ 26,062.88</u>
TRANSFERS:		
To Loan Fund	\$ 4,635.17	
To Plant Fund for Equipment	<u>2,400.70</u>	
Total Transfers		<u>7,035.87</u>
		19,027.01
LOANS TO OTHER FUNDS (Primarily Plant Fund for Debt Retirement, etc.)		<u>32,954.18</u>
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT) OF CURRENT FUND REVENUES		<u>\$ (13,927.17)</u>

## COVENANT COLLEGE LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN, TENNESSEE

### BALANCE SHEET December 31, 1971

#### *UNRESTRICTED CURRENT FUND:*

##### *Assets*

Cash	\$ 38,863.81	
Notes Receivable (Net)	14,994.46	
Inventories (at Cost)	31,125.30	
Prepaid Expenses	19,761.81	
Travel Advances	400.00	
Due from Net Investment	<u>598,679.87</u>	
Total Assets		<u>\$ 703,825.35</u>

##### *Liabilities and Fund Balance*

Notes Payable	\$ 159,575.00
Accounts Payable	22,163.75
Due to Restricted Current	768.29

Due to Loan Fund	75.35	
Due to Unexpected Plant Fund	62,342.50	
Due to Agency Fund	1,146.68	
Accounts Receivable Credits	8,200.04	
Total Liabilities		\$ 254,271.61
Fund Balance—Unappropriated		449,553.64
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance		<u>\$ 703,825.35</u>

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**RESTRICTED CURRENT FUND:**

*Assets*

Cash	\$ 23,292.39	
Accounts Receivable—U.S.	55,630.06	
Deposits	4,425.00	
Due from Unrestricted Current	768.29	
Total Assets		<u>\$ 84,115.74</u>

*Liabilities and Fund Balances*

Fund Balance—College Work Study	\$ 57,686.80	
—Federal Library Program	1.86	
—E.O.G. Program	21,810.25	
—U.S.A.F. Program	4,000.00	
—Trans World Airlines	425.00	
—American Negro History Course	191.83	
Total Fund Balances		<u>\$ 84,115.74</u>

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**LOAN FUND:**

*Assets*

Cash	\$ 25,154.53	
Notes Receivable		
College	\$ 4,657.58	
National Defense Loans	163,475.40	
	168,132.98	
Due from Unrestricted Current Fund	75.35	
Total Assets		<u>\$ 193,362.86</u>

*Liabilities and Fund Balances*

Fund Balance —College Loan Program	\$ 6,955.21	
—National Defense Loan Program	186,407.65	
Total Fund Balances		<u>\$ 193,362.86</u>

**ENDOWMENT AND SIMILAR FUNDS:**

**Assets**

Cash	\$	3,330.78	
Investments—Collective Fund		59,475.47	
Investments—Common Stocks		40,599.73	
Total Assets			<u>\$ 103,405.98</u>

**Liabilities and Fund Balances**

Fund Balances—Various Funds			<u>\$ 103,405.98</u>
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**UNEXPECTED PLANT FUND:**

**Assets**

Cash	(\$	10,801.67)	
Unamortized Bond Expenses		4,183.35	
Due from Unrestricted Current Fund		62,342.50	
Construction in Progress		786,039.86	
Total Assets			<u>\$ 841,764.04</u>

**Liabilities and Fund Balances**

Bonds Payable	\$	810.46	
Notes Payable		662,500.00	
Accrued Interest Payable		7,097.08	
Accrued Taxes Payable		718.44	
Total Liabilities	\$	671,125.98	
Fund Balance		170,638.06	
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance			<u>\$ 841,764.04</u>

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**NET INVESTMENT IN PLANT:**

**Assets**

Land	\$	557,621.55	
Buildings		424,502.43	
Improvements other than Buildings		153,490.06	
Equipment		229,476.81	
Construction in Progress		129,934.72	
Total Assets			<u>\$ 1,565,025.57</u>

**Liabilities and Fund Balances**

Bonds Payable	\$	247,939.54	
Notes Payable		55,688.98	
Deposit on Sale of Property		7,139.50	
Due to Unrestricted Current Fund		598,679.87	
Total Liabilities	\$	909,447.89	

Fund Balance	655,577.68
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 1,565,025.57</u>

**AGENCY FUND:**

*Assets*

Due from Unrestricted Current Fund	\$ 1,146.68
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,146.68</u>

*Liabilities and Fund Balances*

Fund Balance —Agency Fund	\$ 969.96
—Men's Dorm Council	151.72
—Women's Dorm Council	25.00
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$ 1,146.68</u>

**ELECTION:** Mr. Potoka, the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented a ballot for Covenant College: \*James Alston INC, \*Frank Dyrness Sr. INC 2/3, \*Graham Gutsche INC, \*William Mahlow INC, \*Robert Rayburn INC, \*Donald Semisch INC, \*Donald Stanton INC, \*Walter Walstrum INC, Keith Edwards. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed.

**ELECTION:** Mr. Potoka then presented the ballot for the Board of Home Missions. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Synod voted to have the Clerk cast a white ballot for the names presented which follow: \*Martin Freeland INC, \*Carl Stewart INC, \*David Sutton INC, LaRue Fritz.

Synod recessed for lunch with prayer being led by the Rev. Allan Baldwin. At 1:30 p.m. the sessions were opened with prayer by Elder Buck Gray.

**CHRISTIAN TRAINING, INC. REPORT:** The Rev. Arthur L. Kay, after making further comments on the printed report which was distributed, called on the president of the Board, the Rev. George Smith, to make some remarks and introduce other members of the staff. Mr. Smith introduced the Rev. Robert E. Edmiston who is coming to CTI as Associate Executive Director. Then the Rev. Donald J. MacNair spoke on the cooperation between CTI and NPM in starting new churches. The Rev. John Buswell spoke about the internship program with CTI and Coventry House in connection with the work of Covenant Theological Seminary. Discussion followed.

**Fathers and Brethren:**

The Great Commission makes it clear that full obedience to our Lord involves making disciples of men—teaching them all things that Jesus taught. Christian Training, Inc. has been charged by the RPC,ES with assisting churches, and especially leaders and future leaders within our churches, to fulfill that commission. Synod had designated CTI as “the

Educational Board of the RPC,ES.” In attempting to understand that rather broad designation in ways that will lead to practical action within a Biblical framework, the Board of CTI operates from the following Scriptural principles:

- 1) That the visible church is God’s place for training Christians. The primary ministry of CTI therefore is to assist the leaders of the local church to carry out their ministry to the body of Christ. This means CTI trains those, who in turn, train others (II Tim. 2:2). CTI’s ministry to individuals becomes valid only as it in turn builds up the Body. (Eph. 2:19-22; 4:11-16).
- 2) That the Church is a family in Christ but also a family of families. The family was created by God to be the primary and essential social unit and is still that. The Church, on the other hand, was brought into being by God as a part of the redemptive work of Christ made necessary because of sin. CTI therefore believes that a major emphasis in its ministry to churches must be assisting them to build Christian homes and to build a Christian community. (Gen. 2:18-25; Deut. 6:3-9; Acts 2:38,39; 16:31; Eph. 6:1-4).
- 3) That the Biblical goal for Christian training is conformity to the image of Jesus Christ, i.e., producing mature Christians. The mark of Christian maturity is love. In that maturity in Christ involves the whole man, CTI feels responsible to assist in rebuilding the relationships of Christians to God, to others, and to themselves. The dynamics of this renewal (actually a restoration of the creation order) take place within the church (which is a family) and the family (which make up the church). (Matt. 22:36-40; I Cor. 12,13; Eph. 4:21-5:2; 5:21-6:9; Col. 3:12-4:1).
- 4) That the Great Commission is not fulfilled by making available a certain body of truth. That truth must be passed on in such a way so as to be understood and used by the disciple. Christian Training, Inc., therefore, is committed to teaching both how to communicate and what to communicate. (Matt. 28:19,20; I Tim. 1:5; II Tim. 3:14-17; James 1:22-27).

It should be noted that this essential understanding of its purpose has been significantly influenced by Paul’s letter to the Ephesians, especially chapters four and five. CTI accepts the same role as apostles, prophets, evangelists and pastor-teachers, who have been given to the Church to equip believers to minister to one another. The agency is a resource which local churches can use to help themselves “grow up into Him, which is the Head, even Christ.” On this basis the Board of CTI has not felt its areas of interest should be confined to what in recent evangelical Christianity has been denoted “Christian Education.” To the contrary it has felt compelled to include within its scope all that is involved in the process of Christian growth.

There follows a discussion of CTI’s present ministry to the churches of the RPC,ES. That its actual ministry is less than that described above

should be attributed to lack of time, personnel and material resources, not lack of vision. CTI exists to serve the denomination. Suggestions as well as requests for help are most welcome.

### *CTI AND OTHER AGENCIES*

Although CTI is given to local churches, by virtue of its broad sphere of responsibility the agency intersects and at times overlaps the work of the other agencies of Synod. With the encouragement of the Board, the Director has worked hard at coordinating agency work in these instances. A good example has been the close cooperation of CTI, WPM, Covenant College, and NPM in the work of Student Summer Service. CTI is working with NPM to help in training officers of newly formed churches. Beginning in the summer of 1972, CTI's program will include training interns from Covenant Seminary in Christian Education. It is hoped that such cooperation will be enlarged.

### *LITERATURE MINISTRY*

The Evangelical Book Store is a mail-order book and supply store established to serve Synod and its churches. Through it Christian Training, Inc. has been able to recommend and sell at a discount Christian books of general spiritual benefit as well as those furthering the Reformed faith and materials distinctive to the RPC,ES. This has also been an outlet for the modest publishing efforts of CTI. Several churches use the book store as a source of supply for their own book tables and also order their Sunday School and VBS materials through CTI. Individuals and churches should feel free to order from the catalog that is issued periodically.

During 1971 the book store did \$45,600 in business. The profits realized were turned back into the operation of CTI.

### *PUBLISHING MINISTRY*

CTI's policy is to primarily publish literature that is distinctive to the RPC,ES or not available from other sources. The *Church Officer's Training Series* is an example—included are the following titles: *Church Government: The Elder*, *Church Government: The Deacon*, *Church History: Part I*, *Christian Doctrine*, and (available in 1972) *Christian Life and Service*.

During 1971 *The Biblical View of the Sexes*, by Florence Brown, was published. This excellent study (available in teacher and student manuals) is suggested for use in 8th and 9th grade levels of Christian Day Schools and Sunday Schools.

Other CTI titles are: *The Biblical Basis of Infant Baptism* by Ken Horner, *Biblical Church Government* by Ken Horner, *Synod Study Report on Racial Questions*, *William the Baptist* by William Chaney.

Later in 1972, CTI will publish *The Standards of the RPC,ES*. This

useful book will contain the *Westminster Standards* plus *Form of Government*, *Book of Discipline*, and *Directory of Worship*.

### *STUDENT SUMMER SERVICE*

Christian Training, Inc. organizes teams of young people (older high school and college students) who serve in local churches, often mission situations. The youth receive intensive training and provide needed workers. During the summer of 1972, the CTI director will conduct a Field Director training seminar for the six pastors who will head-up projected teams. This year, Regional Representatives in each presbytery have assisted in promoting, recruiting, and selecting volunteers for the program.

### *ADVANCE IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION*

CTI attempts to encourage local church leaders to engage in self-evaluation that will help define purpose, set goals and develop meaningful activities. The Director is available for "on-the-scene" assistance. During 1971 the "Advance" sub-committee prepared and distributed an in-depth questionnaire surveying the total local church program. Returns provided an interesting insight concerning the uniqueness of each local congregation. It was evident that CTI or anyone else could not provide, from a distance, a set of "answers" to the problems of a local program.

### *COMMUNICATION SEMINARS*

Christian Training, Inc. conducts "Life in Perspective" week-long seminars and weekend retreats at Coventry House stressing the importance of inter-personal relationships. On request, communication clinics, clinics with the same emphasis are conducted by the Director in local churches. The specific goal of these activities is to provide the opportunity for each participant to become aware of his own God-given strengths and to assess his present values so that he can set meaningful and realistic goals that will result in service for God, caring relationships with others, personal satisfaction and recognition of God's sovereignty. Some local churches have employed techniques used at Coventry House in order to strengthen training and fellowship. Many individuals, Christian and non-Christians, have been confronted with the claims of the Gospel and the importance of acknowledging the Lordship of Christ. Breakdowns in parent-child relationships and marital difficulties have been effectively dealt with as Biblical perspectives have been taught and applied.

### *PROJECTED PLANS FOR THE FUTURE*

At its December meeting the Board of Christian Training voted unanimously to employ Rev. Robert Edmiston as an Associate Director. Bob is a graduate of Covenant College and Westminster Seminary. He

served as Assistant to Dr. Richard Gray at Calvary Presbyterian Church in Willow Grove, Pa., and was organizing pastor for the Christ Reformed Presbyterian Church in New Castle, Pa. Presently he is doing promotional work for World Presbyterian Missions. Bob will begin with CTI in July.

The decision was a leap of faith. CTI will need an additional \$8200 in 1972 to pay the bills and substantially more in 1973. But it's a move that should strengthen and broaden CTI's ministry to the church. Already, in-depth talks are underway with Don MacNair to lay the groundwork for ways in which NPM and CTI can cooperate more closely to benefit mission congregations.

R. McDonald (Mack) Gray will be the first participant in CTI's Internship in Christian Education. Mack is a student at Covenant Seminary. He and his wife Karen will move to Connecticut in May and stay for 14 months. Part of the training will be with George Smith, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Manchester. Part will be in the Coventry House program supervised by Art Kay. Part will be gaining an understanding of how Christian Training helps local churches.

The internship in Christian education is planned in cooperation with Covenant Seminary. The idea is to offer students recommended by the Seminary an extensive exposure to the leadership training programs offered by CTI.

In June 1972, the headquarters of CTI will move to Coventry, Conn. where much-needed enlarged office and book store space is available and where Coventry House activities can be conducted on a year-round basis.

This is a crucial year for Christian Training, Inc. There is a need for increased financial support. There is a need for CTI to do an even more effective work with the RPC,ES. What is truly needed is increased prayer that God will provide the resources to do a work that will glorify Himself through us.

Respectfully submitted,  
Arthur L. Kay  
Executive Director

CHRISTIAN TRAINING, INC.  
GENERAL FUND  
FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 29, 1972

*INCOME*

Gifts from Churches & related Organizations	\$ 14,490.24
Personal Gifts and Honorariums	3,901.30
Robert Young Bequest Fund	352.60
Cedarville College Fund	202.49

Reformed Presbyterian Foundation	404.68
Student Summer Service	408.22
Coventry House	1,115.00
Miscellaneous	31.06
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<u>20,905.59</u>

**EXPENSES**

Executive Director		
Salary	\$	7,440.00
Housing		3,000.00
Pension Payments		240.00
Hospitalization		388.14
Social Security		538.20
Travel Expenses		3,273.63
Assistant Director—Salary		2,400.00
Office Manager		
Salary		4,560.00
Pension Payments		240.00
Other Expenses		
Payroll Taxes		230.22
Board Meetings & Other Travel Expenses		1,009.91
Office Supplies & Expenses		2,137.56
Office Equipment		413.00
Synod Contribution		60.00
Robert Young Bequest Fund Expense		330.56
Printing—"ITEMS"		1,248.00
Reformed Presbyterian Foundation		200.23
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<u>27,709.45</u>
Rec'd From Dept. of Publications		<u>7,200.00</u>
<b>NET EXPENSES</b>		<u>20,509.45</u>
Excess Income Over Expenses	\$	<u>396.14</u>
Bank Balance 3/1/71		988.20
Net Income for the Year ended 2/29/72		396.14
Loan for Book Publication		1,000.00
Bank Balance 2/29/72		<u>2,384.34</u>
Fund Balances & Liabilities		
C.T.I. General Fund	\$	780.71
R.Y.B. Account		254.15
O.E. Account		79.48
H. H. Hughes, Jr. Legacy Account		270.00
Note Payable		1,000.00
	\$	<u>2,384.34</u>
<b>INCOME</b>		
Sale of Books & Supplies	\$	42,148.34

## EXPENSES

Purchases	\$ 33,702.69
Overhead—C.T.I. General Fund	7,200.00
Postage & Freight Expenses	749.85
Office & Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>101.11</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>41,753.65</u>
NET INCOME	<u>394.69</u>
Bank Balance 3/1/71	\$ 1,125.85
Net Income	<u>394.69</u>
Bank Balance 2/29/72	<u>\$ 1,520.54</u>

It was moved and seconded that CTI publish the *Book of Discipline, Form of Government* and *Directory of Worship*. There was an amendment to include the *Confession of Faith* without the proof texts. However, Synod voted to refer these recommendations back to CTI for their consideration.

**ELECTION:** Mr. Potoka presented the ballot for CTI: \*Robert Gray INC, \*Darrell Harris INC 2/3, \*Harold Hight INC, \*John Cummer INC, \*Stephen Smallman INC, \*George Smith INC, \*James Kiefer, John Clark, Sr., Bryant Black. Nominations from the floor included the Rev. William Kirwan and the Rev. Everett DeVelde. Nominations were closed.

**ARCHIVIST REPORT:** On Motion, the Docket was amended to receive the report of the Archivist. The Rev. Edward A. Steele, III presented the following report:

### Fathers and Brethren:

1. For the first time the Archives have a place of their own: a large closet on the second floor of Edwards Hall on the Seminary campus. The Seminary has loaned a small table, chair and filing cabinet.
2. The Stam materials and the Buswell papers which were on campus have been unpacked, roughly sorted and placed in the Archives.
3. Through the *Bulletin News Supplement* and a letter included in a mailing from the Stated Clerk of Synod we have advertised that we are "open for business." One presbytery, one Synod agency and several individuals have sent some very helpful and appropriate materials. Would all of you review the letter you received from the archivist through the Clerk and resolve to include the Archivist on your mailing list? All materials sent should be addressed in care of the Seminary.
4. Several trips were made by the archivist to St. Louis to attend Board of Trustees meetings. On those occasions the Archives were given attention.
5. The budget stipend for '71-'72 is \$25. The archivist has been frugal: the current balance is \$25. The annual stipends are to be col-

lected towards the purchase of a fire-proof and secure filing cabinet. There are already materials in the Archives which warrant such storage. At the present rate of support Synod should have adequate storage in about ten years.

6. The archivist recommends that Synod vote a stipend of \$50 for 1972-1973.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward A. Steele III  
Archivist, RPC,ES

The recommendation of item 6, that Synod budget \$50 for the Archivist, was adopted.

**REPORT OF MINISTERIAL WELFARE AND BENEFITS AND HOSPITALIZATION:** On motion, the Docket was amended to hear the reports of Ministerial Welfare and Benefits and Hospitalization. Dr. Dyrness presented this report and commented further on the report and answered questions from the floor.

Fathers and Brethren:

Synod's Hospitalization Plan has been operating since 1965. In 1969, it began as a self-insured Plan. The coverage has always been through the inter-County Hospitalization Plan and Blue Shield. This insurance has been well received throughout the denomination. There have been 130 claims between April 1–December 31, 1971, totalling \$28,767.45. This does not include Blue Shield or 65 Special claims.

As of June 1, 1971, group Term Insurance was added through Ministers Life and Casualty Union. We are glad to report there have been no deaths or claims so far.

There are 231 subscribers in the Hospitalization Plan, giving protection to approximately 1,000 individuals. There are 236 separate Term Insurance policies, a number of which are with double coverage.

In 65 Special, 79 persons over 65 years of age are covered for Hospitalization and Surgical-Medical benefits. The number enrolled continues to grow.

A reserve of \$16,110.32 has been established from insurance refunds, bank interest and service charges not needed for operating expenses. This serves as a buffer should the Plan experience a period of excessive claims.

A list of actual claims paid in the last three quarters of 1971 is a part of this report, along with a Statement of Income and Disbursements.

A new booklet has been printed outlining the benefits offered by Synod's Plan and is now available.

Though hospital and medical costs continue to rise, the Plan charges re-

main virtually unchanged for the present. The following prices include hospital coverage, diagnostic and Blue Shield 100.

	<i>MONTHLY COST</i>
Single Subscriber	\$ 10.00
Husband & Wife (no maternity or children)	25.00
Husband & Wife (with maternity and children under 19 and up to 23)*	30.00
Parent and one child under 19 and up to 23*	25.00
Parent and children under 19 and up to 23*	18.50
Related dependent under 65	12.00
65 Special	5.10

\*Unmarried dependent children 19 to 23 who are full-time college students, will be covered at no extra charge.

Term Insurance coverage is only for ministers, missionaries, employees of churches, agencies and related organizations. It is not open to Elders, Deacons or Trustees. Ministers may secure double coverage at an additional \$2.00 per month.

Term Insurance Benefits at \$2.00 per month are as follows:

<i>ATTAINED AGE</i>	<i>INSURANCE AMOUNT</i>
Less than 31 years	12,000.00
31 years but less than 36 years	10,000.00
36 years but less than 41 years	7,500.00
41 years but less than 46 years	5,000.00
46 years but less than 51 years	3,000.00
51 years but less than 56 years	2,000.00
56 years but less than 61 years	1,300.00
61 years but less than 66 years	1,000.00

The bookkeeping work of the Plan is done in the office of the Quarryville Presbyterian Home at no cost to the Plan.

Inquiries should be addressed to Hospitalization, R.D. 2, Box 12-A, Quarryville, Pennsylvania 17566.

Respectfully submitted,

F. S. Dyrness, Treasurer  
Charles L. Eckardt, Asst. Treas.

#### HOSPITALIZATION PLAN

Claims paid for period April 1 through December 31, 1971

<i>NAME OF INSURED</i>	<i>NUMBER</i>	<i>TOTAL AMOUNT</i>
<i>INSURED</i>	<i>OF CLAIMS</i>	<i>PAID</i>
Ackley, G.	11	\$ 1,383.00
Alexander, P.	1	499.41

Auffarth, R.	1	82.50
Bair, C.	1	1,076.25
Baker, D.	1	30.00
Baldwin, A.	1	6.00
Blakely, W.	2	44.50
Bland, A.	1	397.50
Brauning, W.	1	20.50
Broadbooks, E.	2	75.00
Brown, S.	1	368.40
Crane, F.	2	266.35
Cochran, E.	1	228.40
Cross, D.	2	162.90
Cross, W.	2	210.25
Deputy, L.	2	19.00
Dyrness, F., Jr.	3	25.50
Fackler, G.	1	11.50
Fearnow, G.	2	1,807.85
Fiol, B.	3	67.50
Fiol, D.	1	22.33
Fiol, F.	1	42.00
Francis, D.	1	36.50
Frett, C.	2	1,210.75
Gilchrist, J.	1	14.60
Gonzalez, T.	1	5.00
Grayson, C.	1	1,150.34
Gutknecht, R.	1	36.00
Haddon, C. A.	2	942.05
Harris, D.	1	17.25
Hein, D.	1	119.20
Henderson, D.	2	435.70
Hicks, D.	2	598.90
Hight, H.	2	24.50
Hopkins, D.	2	482.95
Hosman, J.	1	995.59
Isa, N.	1	7.50
Jackson, D.	1	15.00
Johnson, R.	2	623.00
Jones, A.	1	9.90
Kay, A.	4	77.10
Kay, J.	1	549.50
Kelley, A.	1	355.45
Lefever, R.	1	7.50
McCall, N.	3	53.50
McNutt, W.	3	34.50
Meiners, H.	2	799.22
Noe, E.	4	292.30
Potoka, E.	1	10.00
Rineer, L.	2	2,055.25

Schmoyer, R.	2	1,112.75
Schneider, L.	2	35.00
Shafer, R.	1	339.95
Shannon, W.	4	831.00
Soltau, A.	1	442.30
Steele, E.	1	24.00
Stewart, C.	2	64.75
Stewart, L.	2	95.00
Swayne, R.	3	98.65
Taylor, G.	2	318.14
Thomas, E.	1	208.00
Thompson, D.	1	55.00
Tyson, E.	1	440.80
Umbreit, D.	1	85.50
Ward, S.	2	22.50
Watson, D.	3	90.00
Wiest, J.	3	108.55
Wildeman, R., Jr.	5	942.35
Wildeman, R., Sr.	1	2,356.80
Wolfgang, W.	1	15.75
Van Horn, L.	1	192.75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>25,685.23</b>
Plus 12% paid to Inter-County		3,082.22
		<b>\$ 28,767.45</b>

**HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE  
HOSPITALIZATION**

Treasurer's Report to the 150th General Synod  
May 12-18, 1972

**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS  
April 1, 1971—December 31, 1971**

**RECEIPTS:**

Balance, March 31, 1971	\$ 22,886.78	
Hospitalization Payments	50,744.68	
Life Insurance Payments	4,102.00	
Service Charges	615.20	
Interest on Savings Account	766.81	
Refund from Inter-County Hospitalization	<u>1,762.22</u>	\$ 80,877.69

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Inter-County Hosp. Plan, Inc.	49,483.18
Ministers Life & Casualty Ins. Co.	4,471.14
Refund of Overpayments	141.06
Refund of Payments at Death	25.50

Postage, Stationery & Telephone	<u>189.39</u>	\$ <u>54,310.27</u>
CASH BALANCE, December 31, 1971		\$ 26,567.42

**STATEMENT OF CONDITION  
DECEMBER 31, 1971**

**ASSETS**

**CASH**

Farmers National Bank, Quarryville, Pa.	4,300.01	
Roosevelt Savings Bank, New York	<u>22,267.41</u>	<u>26,567.42</u>

**LIABILITY AND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Hospitalization Payments received in Advance	9,686.10	
Life Insurance Payments received in Advance	<u>771.00</u>	10,457.10

**EQUITY**

Reserve	16,110.32	<u>16,110.32</u>
		<u>26,567.42</u>

Number of subscribers, not including dependents:

Life—236; Hospitalization—231; and 65 Special—79

There were 130 claims totaling \$28,767.45. This does not include Blue Shield 100 or 65 Special.

At 3:00 p.m., Synod was recessed for the seminars, with prayer by the Rev. Seth Dyrness. The Rev. Al Lutz led Synod in prayer at 4:00 p.m., reconvening the assembly.

**NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS:** The president of National Presbyterian Missions Board, the Rev. Wilbur Siddons, presided and after opening remarks, introduced the Executive Director of NPM, the Rev. Donald J. MacNair, to give the report which follows:

Fathers and Brethren:

**I. PURPOSE**

The objects and purposes of this corporation are to aid in the establishment and support of churches under the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, to promote the propagation of the Gospel pursuant to the doctrines of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, and to perform such other duties as may be delegated to it by said Synod.

**II. SCOPE OF OPERATION**

A. Establishing New Churches

1. Making the initial contacts:
    - a. Generate contacts by national advertising.
    - b. Generate contacts by means of Vanguard Committees (under the supervision of NPM's executives).
    - c. Generate contacts by follow-up of RPs who move, by referrals from RPs, etc.
  2. Developing initial contacts:
    - a. NPM executives, with initial help from Vanguard Committees, and in association with the local presbytery, carry out outreach and development programs until strength is sufficient to establish a mission church. (Note: This will usually demand the extended presence and work of the Associate Executive Directors.)
    - b. Preparation to locate and situate the organizing pastor—primarily the work of the Associate Executive Director.
    - c. Establish a budget and, if necessary, arrange for R-AP.
    - d. Enlist prayer support.
    - e. Provide specialized training for organizing pastors.
  3. Consultant responsibilities:
    - a. For the development of the mission church into a particular church.
    - b. For the presbytery's task to assess the qualifications to become a particular church.
    - c. For the continued development of the particular church for some time after it is constituted.
    - d. For building programs, finances, etc.
  4. Denominational responsibilities:
    - a. To keep the denomination aware of its responsibilities for church extension.
    - b. To generate the financial base from which to proceed with the work.
    - c. To encourage the denomination by reporting the work of God through NPM.
- B. Church Building Programs
1. Building Club
  2. Revolving Building Fund Loans
  3. Guaranteed Bonding Programs
  4. Planning Advice and Consultation
- C. Promote RPCES
1. National advertising.
  2. Involvement in national and regional organizations (especially professional ones) and rallies (e.g., Congress on Evangelism).
  3. Speak at colleges and seminaries.
  4. Work with college and seminary students.
  5. Point of contact with ministers seeking a relationship with the RPCES.
- D. Service to RPCES
1. Assist existing RPCES churches to solve growth, development,

location, building, etc., problems, upon written request from the Session.

2. Service the administration of small denominational or regional programs if needed.
  3. Service to specialized problems of local churches.
  4. Service open to pastors and/or elders in conjunction with any training programs for organizing pastors.
  5. Occasional teaching opportunities at seminars and seminaries.
  6. Occasionally helping seminary students locate pastorates.
  7. Addressing and mailing service provided Covenant Theological Seminary, the Reformed Presbyterian Foundation and occasionally for Christian Training, Inc.
- E. Promotion of National Presbyterian Missions
1. Monthly Newsletter and Prayer Calendar.
  2. Presentation to local churches, to presbyteries and General Synod; participation in missionary conferences, etc.
  3. Annual Thanksgiving Thankoffering.
  4. Preparation and publishing of books, brochures, tapes and mission material for public use.

### III. ACCOMPLISHMENT OF OBJECTIVES

National Presbyterian Missions has now developed a definite approach to the task of establishing Reformed Presbyterian Churches. It is explained in detail in "The Birth, Care and Feeding of a Local Church" by the Reverend Donald J. MacNair, the Executive Director of NPM (Perspective Press).

Two Associate Executive Directors, the Reverend Nelson K. Malkus and the Reverend James L. Ransom, now work full time with Mr. MacNair in assisting presbyteries in the task of establishing new churches.

From 1964-1971 there has been an average of four churches per year established. This represents processing well over 200 initial contacts.

NPM has responded to calls for assistance from existing Reformed Presbyterian Churches for consultative help, and, occasionally, for financial help.

Between January 1, 1969 and December 31, 1971, National Presbyterian Missions has invested the following finances in the development of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod:

● Reducing Assistance Program (R-AP)	\$ 54,157.29
● Building Club	10,175.65
● Bond Programs Guaranteed (accumulative to date)	335,000.00
● Revolving Building Fund Loans	44,500.00
● Denominational Promotion	16,573.95

### IV. PROJECTED PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

In 1969, NPM published a five-year Projection for Growth. It is as follows:

## GOALS:

- Establish at least 40 new churches or mission churches each year by the end of 1975.
- Foster a uniform method of establishing churches (without loss of the church's individuality, of course!) throughout the denomination, guiding the presbyteries in doing the bulk of the work.
- Make effective financial techniques available to the local churches to assist them in their building programs.
- Continue to improve the effective use of administration time and funds.
- Improve the communication of vital NPM opportunities to members of the RPCES.
- Increase the degree of overall responsibility of the entire Board of NPM for these developments.
- Achieve 100% participation in NPM support by RPCES churches.

## KEY TO INCREASING NEW CHURCHES

- Three full-time Associate Executive Directors to be employed by the fall of 1974.
- Each man would be seeking to establish ten new churches per year.
- Each man eventually would have responsibility for a geographical region.

## KEY TO MORE REALISTIC ASSISTANCE TO BUILDING PROGRAM:

- Enroll 2,000 members in the Building Club.
- Increase the size of the Revolving Building Fund and increase the size of loans made.

This projection is half over. Its development is directly on target.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald J. MacNair  
Executive Director  
National Presbyterian Missions

## NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS, INC.

Balance Sheet  
December 31, 1971

### ASSETS

#### Current Assets

Cash—On Demand	\$ 40,620.93
—Savings	10,935.57
Advances	380.00
Deposits	<u>425.00</u>
	\$52,361.50

Investments			
Certificates of Deposit	\$	10,000.00	
Stocks		4,137.00	
Bonds		<u>12,500.00</u>	26,637.00
Receivables			
Accounts Receivable	\$	237.35	
Loans Receivable		<u>67,866.96</u>	68,104.31
Fixed Assets			
Furniture and Equipment	\$	4,914.93	
Vehicles	\$	6,626.67	
Less Allowance for Replacement		<u>2,500.00</u>	4,126.67
Real Estate		<u>32,000.00</u>	<u>41,041.60</u>
Total Assets			<u><u>\$188,144.41</u></u>

### *LIABILITIES*

Accruals			
Accrued FICA and Withholding	\$	318.48	
Accrued State Withholding		<u>20.04</u>	\$ 338.52
Loans Payable			58,585.00
Mortgage Payable			18,846.04
Funds Held in Trust			<u>3,430.00</u>
Total Liabilities			\$ 81,199.56

### *EQUITY BALANCES*

General Fund Equity	\$	70,926.97	
Revolving Building Fund Equity (Cash \$12,856.96)		22,138.92	
Escrow Equity		725.00	
Manse Equity		<u>13,153.96</u>	
Total Equity Balances			<u>106,944.85</u>
Total Liabilities and Equity Balances			<u><u>\$ 188,144.41</u></u>

## NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS, INC.

### Summary of Operations

For Year Ended December 31, 1971

<i>INCOME</i>	<i>Actual 1970</i>	<i>Year-to-date 1971</i>
Gifts—Unrestricted	\$ 84,030.39	\$ 82,872.86
—Restricted—Administration	2,266.80	1,630.40
—Restricted—Churches	33,644.87	19,152.78
Revolving Building Fund	1,266.32	23,651.50

Other Income	6,551.30	6,905.09
Total Income	\$ 127,759.68	\$ 134,212.63
Less Income for Other Funds		35,428.26
Total General Fund Income	\$ 127,759.68	\$ 98,784.37

### *EXPENDITURES*

Personnel Expense	\$ 21,733.88	\$ 28,686.46
Office Expense	13,202.98	9,183.93
Rent and Utility Expense	8,675.12	10,847.80
Travel Expense	15,363.93	17,300.54
Promotional Expense	5,180.53	6,143.42
Church Mission Payments	43,571.24	25,132.69
Revolving Building Fund	9,500.00	8,500.00
Other Expense or Payments	3,405.48	2,745.80
Total Expenditures	\$ 120,633.16	\$ 108,540.64
Less Expenditures for Other Funds		19,827.07
Total General Fund Expenditures	\$ 120,633.16	\$ 88,713.57
Total Income Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 7,126.52	\$ 10,070.80

Mr. MacNair then called the Rev. Robert Craggs to speak about the experiences in Brick Town, N.J. The Rev. Nelson Malkus, Associate Executive Director of NPM, spoke regarding the work in new cities such as California City, Calif. Mr. MacNair then used transparencies to illustrate several matters that needed to be brought to the attention of the Synod. Following some discussion, Mr. MacNair presented the following three recommendations:

- 1) It was moved, seconded and carried that Synod designate Sunday, November 19, 1972 as NPM's Thanksgiving Thankoffering Sunday.
- 2) It was moved, seconded and carried that Synod propose to each local church that it develop a Vanguard Committee.
- 3) Synod approved to petition each presbytery to set a goal to establish a given number of new churches this coming year (at least one) and to report to the 151st General Synod what goal it set and what progress it made in achieving the goal.

**ELECTIONS:** The Nominating Committee presented the following ballot for NPM: \*Richard Aeschliman INC, \*Richard Gray INC 2/3, \*Robert Hoyle INC, \*Kyle Thurman INC, \*Joel Belz INC, \*Wilbur Siddons INC, \*Carl Darger INC, \*Peter Vant Slot, \*Paul Taylor, DeWitt Watson, Jr. The names of the Rev. Dale Umbreit and the Rev. Robert Craggs were added to the ballot from the floor. Nominations were closed.

At 5:30 Dr. Barnes reported that Governor George Wallace had been shot while campaigning in the State of Maryland. Therefore, as Synod adjourned for the day, he called upon the Rev. John M. MacGregor to lead in prayer for our nation and for Governor Wallace in particular.

## TUESDAY SEDERUNT

Synod was called to order with the singing of "Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken" and prayer by the Rev. Bruce Fiol.

**MINUTES OF MONDAY SEDERUNT:** The minutes of Monday's Sederunt were distributed in mimeographed form. These were approved.

**CHAPLAINS COMMITTEE:** The Rev. William Leonard expanded the report with oral comments.

Fathers and Brethren:

The Chaplains Committee, through its chairman, assists in the procurement of Chaplains from the denomination for the armed forces, Army, Navy, Air Force and the Civil Air Patrol. It coordinates the endorsing procedures required by these services through Presbytery, Synod and the Chaplains Committee. It represents the denomination, for chaplaincy matters, in the offices of the Chiefs of Chaplains, and assists active and reserve chaplains were needed. It disseminates information on chaplaincy matters throughout the Synod. For service and information contact the Chairman at the address given at the end of this report.

### *CURRENT ROSTER:*

*United States Army:* Robert H. Ackley (CPT), Walter Ronald Case (CPT), Howard T. Cross (LTC), John Harris Langford (CPT), David P. Peterson (CPT), James E. Singleton (CPT).

*United States Navy:* Robert A. Bonner (Captain), Robert H. Fiol (Lt), Arthur E. Hegeman (LCDR), Robert B. Needham (Lt), Thomas E. Sidebotham (LCDR)

*United States Air Force:* Beryl T. Hubbard (Cpt)

*Reserve Chaplains:* Alan K. Austin (Navy), Patrick Morison (Air Force), Jerome W. Brock (Navy), Robert G. Rayburn (Army).

*Civil Air Patrol:* George Ackley (Major Asst. Wing Chaplain, Washington), Daniel Fannon (LTC Wing Chaplain, Ohio), LaRue Fritz (Major Squadron Chaplain, Pennsylvania)

*Retired Chaplains:* William B. Leonard, Jr. (CDR, Navy), James S. Martin (LTC, Army), John M. MacGregor (Col., Army), J. Norman McConnell (LTC, Air Force), William Myers (Air Force), Laurence H. Withington (Major, Air Force), John B. Youngs (LTC, Army)

**PHASE DOWN PERIOD:** Openings for active duty chaplains, in all branches, from our denomination this year will be *very* limited. However, there is a corresponding increase in the *reserve* components as active duty numbers decrease.

**CLERKS OF PRESBYTERIES, TAKE NOTE:** Correct addresses are important!

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
Office of the Chief of Chaplains  
Washington, D. C. 20314

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
Bureau of Naval Personnel  
Office of the Chief of Chaplains  
Washington, D. C. 20370

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
Command Chaplain  
Air Force Military Personnel Center  
Randolph Air Force Base, Texas 78148

When writing regarding CAREER RESERVE STATUS:

U. S. Air Force  
Department of the Air Force  
Office of the Chief of Chaplains  
Washington, D.C. 20330

*PALM SUNDAY OFFERING* of \$160 was received from the Air Force Chaplain Fund, and forwarded to Covenant Theological Seminary

*NEWS FROM THE FIELD:*

W. Ron Case, Hunter Army Air Field, Savannah, Georgia, has applied for "indefinite status," received an outstanding efficiency report for the period 9 August 1970 to 17 February 1971, involved in a "Coffee House Ministry" and preaching at main Post Chapel.

Howard T. Cross, selected for promotion to Colonel, expected by end 1972. Completes 3-year tour Hawaii in August 72 (Has been stationed outside continental U.S. for seven years, longer than our missionary tours) Expects orders to East Coast assignment. Now serving as Deputy Command Chaplain, U.S.A., Pacific.

Arthur E. Hegeman, now serving Naval Air Station, South Weymouth, Mass, expects change of duty September 1972 to Naval Communication Station, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Beryl T. Hubbard has seen real spiritual revival in his work at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, with growing Bible Study groups, folks coming to Christ weekly, averaging over 500 in Sunday School, active in our Ft. Walton Beach church, received an award from Air Force Systems Command citing his ministry with the single airmen, has applied for Career Reserve Status, and reported to Alaska 29 February for a one year remote tour on four radar sites, one just 34 miles from Siberia. Family remaining in Florida.

James S. Martin was returned from active duty as of 30 September 1971. No current address.

Patrick H. Morison was released from extended active duty with the USAF as of 31 July 1971.

Thomas E. Sidebotham, Marine Corps Air Station, Beaufort, S.C., working with three fine chaplains and with active group of Navigators, ministering to 1100 homes in base housing, with evidence of the moving of God's Spirit in areas removed from the influence of the church.

James E. Singleton expects to be released to inactive duty on or before June 14, 1972, from Fort Carson, Colorado, is candidating in several churches in the Synod. Let us pray for the Lord's leading for Jim and Bev and His blessing as they expect their second child, August 1972.

Brethren, let us pray faithfully for these fellow ministers in uniform who serve our Lord and the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, in a very difficult, dangerous and challenging time in our nation's history.

Respectfully,

William B. Leonard, Jr., Chairman  
6520 Old Ranch Road  
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80908  
Phone 303/495-2740

This report was expanded by Chaplains Robert Bonner, Walter Case, James Singleton, Thomas Sidebotham, Robert Needham.

**ELECTIONS:** Mr. Potoka presented the ballot for the Chaplains Committee. The two names listed on the ballot were Rev. William Leonard and Rev. Stephen Smallman. Synod voted for the Clerk to cast a white ballot for these two names.

**ELECTIONS:** Mr. Potoka then presented the ballot for Ministerial Welfare and Benefits Committee: Frank Dyrness, Sr. INC, Charles Eckardt INC. Dr. Charles Donaldson was nominated from the floor. Upon motion, the nominations were closed, and the Clerk was instructed to cast a white ballot for these three men.

**EVANGELISM COMMITTEE:** Dr. Thomas G. Cross gave the report of the Evangelism Committee, as follows:

Fathers and Brethren:

Evangelism is what it is all about. We all recognize that evangelism is a primary responsibility of every Christian. Our Synod needs to find ways and means of being helpful to all our churches and agencies in fulfilling this obligation to evangelize. Your Evangelism Committee is addressing itself to this problem.

For the past two years we have promoted personal evangelism using as a tool what has become known as the "Coral Ridge Plan." In 1970 we had eleven of our men attend the Clinic in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. In 1971 we had fifteen clinicians and this year we were limited to ten spaces and these were filled.

All who have attended testify to great personal blessing and many pastors have instituted this program in their own churches. Where it has

been faithfully used over a period of time there has been spiritual fruit.

It is our intention to have a group at the Clinic next year and any who would like to attend should send a letter of application to this Committee as soon as you know you are able to attend. The cost will be approximately \$150.00 plus travel to Ft. Lauderdale from your home. The Clinic will be held in the first quarter of 1972.

Your Committee would like very much to promote (1) evangelistic meetings, (2) Bible conferences in our local churches, (3) youth retreat evangelism, (4) child evangelism and (5) evangelistic music.

We feel that there is a larger reservoir of talent for evangelism within our church than most of us realize. Your committee, by means of a questionnaire, sought to ascertain our potential as a Synod and we are delighted to report that we had an excellent response.

We are willing to offer our services as a referral agency at this time. We are able to submit names of men who have been recommended to us in each area. We will cooperate with any church which may desire help in setting up meetings.

We had 19 men recommended by others as most capable for evangelistic preaching and we have 44 others who have indicated desire to be used in this work. Thirty-five of our men were recommended by others as capable for Bible conferences and 58 others have indicated desire to serve in this work. We have a good number of recommendations of our men for personal evangelism seminars, youth retreats, and leaders for evangelistic music.

In the past year three members of your Evangelism Committee participated in the Evangelism Conference sponsored by the Presbyterian Evangelistic Fellowship at Montreat, N.C. This conference was the largest ever conducted at Montreat with well over 2,000 conferees.

Your Committee by unanimous action has voted to cooperate with P.E.F. in sponsoring an Evangelism Assembly to be held at Covenant College, June 8th-11th. Two of the speakers are members of our Synod and we would urge our churches to encourage attendance.

It is our hope that every church of this denomination will plan for an evangelistic outreach during the coming year and request help where necessary.

We are looking forward to recommending next year a plan for setting up a permanent committee on evangelism. We request your prayers that God may raise up an evangelist who may become a fulltime director for this major responsibility of our church.

Send all correspondence to:

Evangelism Committee  
Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod  
207 Mitchell Road  
Greenville, South Carolina 29607

*Evangelism Committee recommendations for Synod actions:*

1. That the present Evangelism Committee, now being made up of seven men, be enlarged by means of each Presbytery appointing or electing a member of their respective Evangelism Committee to the Synod Committee. (The intent is to have 15 members).
2. That the churches of Synod needing assistance in evangelism be encouraged to seek the aid of the Evangelism Committee in any of the following areas:
  - 1) Evangelism Services
  - 2) Personal Evangelism Seminars
  - 3) Bible Conferences
  - 4) Youth Retreats
  - 5) Child Evangelism

3. That the following budget be adopted:

Travel Expenses	\$ 700.00
Postage	150.00
Printing	200.00
Secretarial Assistance	200.00
Office Supplies	200.00
Miscellaneous	50.00
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Total	\$ 1,500.00

Thomas G. Cross, co-chairman

Dr. Cross then called on the Rev. Willard Armes, the Rev. George Ackley, and the Rev. Arthur Herries to give testimonies regarding the Coral Ridge Plan which had been instituted at their respective churches. Dr. Rayburn then spoke concerning the opportunities in mass evangelism.

It was moved that the Committee be requested to present a study paper to the 151st General Synod evaluating the contemporary evangelistic methods and theology, and commending biblical principles of evangelism. This motion was seconded and carried.

Another motion was voted on by Synod and passed, that the Administrative Committee be encouraged to have a series of seminars at the next Synod on the method and theology of evangelism.

The time of recess having come, a motion was seconded and passed to recess, and that the report of the Evangelism Committee be continued after the report of the Fraternal Relations Committee. (Continued on page 78).

The Rev. William Mahlow recessed Synod with prayer. At 11:00 a.m. the Rev. George Smith opened the session in prayer.

**FRATERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT (continued from page 49):** Recommendation No. 1 which had already been before the Synod for consideration was carried after considerable discussion.

Synod recessed with prayer by the Rev. William Mahlow. Rev. Carl Derk reconvened the Synod at 1:35 p.m. with prayer.

Recommendation No. 2 of the Fraternal Relations Committee was moved, seconded and passed.

**EVANGELISM COMMITTEE REPORT (continued from page 77):** Rev. Dr. Thomas Cross presented recommendation No. 1. Synod adopted this. Recommendation No. 2 also was adopted. Recommendation No. 3 was passed with the understanding that the Committee was authorized to raise the necessary funds.

**ELECTION:** Mr. Potoka presented the nominations for the Fraternal Relations Committee: \*Thomas Cross INC, \*Richard Gray INC, Lynden Stewart. Others nominated were Rev. James Perry and Rev. Robert Palmer. The nominations were closed.

**MAGAZINE COMMITTEE:** Mr. Joel Belz made additional remarks to the following report:

Fathers and Brethren:

Guarded optimism is the context in which *Mandate* presently operates. The new policy of dispensing with subscriptions has been popularly received, and financial support has greatly increased during the first four months of the new policy. More details concerning the financial situation are included below.

A prime goal now is to add as many names of individuals to the mailing list as possible. Pastors should note that because of second class mailing rates, it is far less expensive to mail to individual addresses than it is to mail in bulk to churches. Naturally, it is also more likely that copies thus mailed will also be read more thoroughly. A few churches have sent in their entire directories, and some of them have accompanied their directories with generous gifts for the newspaper's continued work.

Such acceptance increases our editorial responsibility. We reaffirm our desire to be positive, to call to the attention of our people issues of significance. We do not have the resources or the commitment to duplicate what some other journals are doing, and hope that we can be accepted for what we are—a forum for discussion of denominational issues.

The financial report for the year follows:

Balance on hand, April 1, 1971	\$ 83.55
Receipts: (Subscriptions and Gifts)	
Cash	25.50
Checks	2,800.29
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	2,825.79

Assets:	
Bank Balance, March 31, 1972	7.47
Liabilities:	
Starkey Printing Company	\$ 450.00
Joel Belz, typesetting	75.51
Master's Agency (cartoons)	6.00
Evangelical Press Association (dues and news service)	115.00
	<u>\$ 646.51</u>
Disbursements:	
Bank charges	20.15
Joel Belz, typesetting	1156.25
Diana Belz, mailing list maintenance	140.96
Editorial costs—travel to Evangelical Press Association convention and to meeting of Synod Evangelism Committee	190.10
Film Development	4.45
Interest on short-term loan	.94
Kickoff Mailing Service	419.93
Kinch Printing, for subscription notices	9.47
Phone	18.50
Postage	80.15
Postage meter	24.00
Starkey Printing Co.	300.00
Summerville News (printing)	536.97
	<u>\$2,901.87</u>
Balance on hand, March 31, 1972	\$ 7.47

Note: It is of substantial significance that \$908.06 of the total expenditures of \$2,901.87 was for bills carried over from the previous year. At the beginning of the current year, our indebtedness was over \$1500.00. As indicated above, that has now been reduced to \$646.51. As soon as that indebtedness is removed we will consider the possibility of more frequent publication or an 8-page paper. In either case, we shall also be continually adding to our expenses as we enlarge our mailing list. It is therefore important that our present base of support be maintained and broadened so that we can do these things.

The editor has continued to serve without reimbursement except for typesetting charges, and would like the opportunity to continue to do so. In such a case, he will appreciate the continued counsel and suggestions of the members of Synod.

Respectfully,

Joel Belz, Editor  
for the *Mandate* Committee

Mr. Mahlow spoke on behalf of the Committee, emphasizing the need for funds and, on motion, an offering was received for the *Mandate* totalling more than \$350.00

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Magazine Committee prepare a proposal of editorial policies to be submitted to the 151st General Synod in 1973 for approval.

**ELECTION:** The Nominating Committee presented the ballot for the Magazine Committee: Ray Dameron, Peter Stam, John Young, Charles Donaldson. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed. (See page 111 for further action).

**HISTORY OF THE CHURCH COMMITTEE:** The Rev. Wyatt George made additional remarks augmenting the report, which follows:

Fathers and Brethren:

The History of the Church Committee has worked toward an immediate goal of publishing the approximately 500 page manuscript on the history behind the RPC,ES produced by the Rev. George P. Hutchinson. The work will be produced in an attractive clothbound book form by the 1973 Synod, if all goes as planned. The book should be of value to lay historians as well as to students of Church History who would have particular delight in the valuable footnotes. Furthermore, the work should have a good reception in Presbyterian and Reformed circles beyond our own. We are privileged to labor toward the completion of this volume with the expectation that each pastor will lead the way in securing a volume.

The year ahead of us, the Lord willing, will provide opportunity for the committee to encourage the production of detailed histories of the major agencies of Synod.

We likewise plan to work closely with the Archivist in the collection of valuable historical items related to the R.P.C. To illustrate the value of this, when you read Mr. Hutchinson's book, you will see anew how the Lord can bring glory to Himself in the preserving, collecting, and writing items of Church History.

We request of Synod a sum of \$60.00 to make possible telephone calls, secretarial services and other misc. expenses during the coming year.

The committee expresses its thanks to the 1971 Synod for bringing us into being and asks this Synod to uphold us in prayer that our labors be sustained.

Respectfully submitted,

Wyatt George, Chairman	G. P. Hutchinson
W. S. Barker	E. A. Steele III
J. Belz	

On motion, the recommendation that the Committee be continued another year was carried. A recommendation that \$60.00 be granted this Committee for its miscellaneous expenses was moved, seconded and passed.

**KNOLLWOOD PRESBYTERIAN LODGE:** Then Mr. Wyatt George reported on Knollwood Lodge.

Fathers and Brethren:

This past summer, Reformed and Orthodox Presbyterians gathered in almost equal number in northern Wisconsin for a time of physical relaxation and spiritual refreshment. This summer saw 102 guests using the facilities on Red Cedar Lake for a total of 458 guest days.

The Board of Trustees will be operating the Lodge again this summer. By the time of General Synod, brochures for the summer should already have been distributed. Included in the brochure will be general information concerning the Lodge, rates, and the host and hostess.

We are still concerned that the Lodge continues an operational deficit. The board feels it must become self-supporting in the near future as it can not expect such generous gifts from private sources in the future as it has in the past. Self-support, of course, can only be accomplished by more individuals, families and friends using these excellent facilities each summer. We would appreciate very much the help our pastors and sessions can lend us in promoting Knollwood Presbyterian Lodge among our church members. Any time they spend at Knollwood will be a fine investment; they will richly experience the beauty of God's creation and Christian fellowship.

Since the 1971 vacation season the Board has taken corrective measures that it hopes will reverse the operating deficit of the past few years. First, Mr. Robert Vasholz, last year's host, has been employed to promote the Lodge during this year's off season. Second, special interest groups of the RP-OP communions are being encouraged to use the facilities during the first and last weeks of the 1972 season, weeks when fewer regular vacationers register. (Reformed Presbyterian Churches or Agencies could well consider Knollwood for week long retreats or conferences). Third, we are putting forth a greater effort to get RP and OP leaders to spend a week at Knollwood. It is our conviction that their presence will stimulate more interest in Knollwood and fellowship between the two churches.

The financial report for the year 1971: (Figures presented here are according to the fiscal year Oct. '70-Sept. '71; however, since the Lodge operates only in the summer, these figures are substantially the same as a calendar year tabulation would show).

*Receipts*

Balance on Hand first of year	\$ 1,889.27
Operating receipts	3,799.00

Contributions	1,355.00	
Capital Improvement loan	<u>2,785.00</u>	\$ 9,828.27
<i>Disbursements</i>		
Operating Expense	\$ 7,248.99	
Capital Outlay	<u>2,462.24</u>	
		\$ 9,711.23
Balance on Hand		<u>117.04</u>
		<u>\$ 9,828.27</u>

The Board has ordered that the books be audited. It is assumed this will be done before the Lodge opens this summer.

Present officers are: Rev. Donald Stanton, President; Rev. J. Wyatt George, Vice-President; Rev. Willard Armes, Secretary; and Dr. George Knight III, Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wyatt George

**ELECTION:** The chairman of the Nominating Committee presented the ballot for the Knollwood Presbyterian Lodge: \*Wyatt George INC, \*John Lewis. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed.

The adjournment time of 3:00 p.m. having arrived, it was moved and seconded to amend the docket to extend the time fifteen minutes. However, a substitute motion was made that we amend the docket to meet at 4:00 p.m. This substitute was seconded and carried. As the main motion, it passed. Synod then recessed with prayer being offered by the Rev. Sanders Campbell. At 4:00 p.m., Synod reconvened at the call of the Vice-Moderator, the Rev. William McColley, who called on Chaplain Robert Needham to lead in prayer.

**BILLS AND OVERTURES:** Chaplain MacGregor, the Chairman of the Committee presented the following report:

*OVERTURE B—Petition Fraternal Relations re. W.S.C.*

Midwestern Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod hereby requests the Fraternal Relations Committee of said Synod to report to the fall stated meeting of said presbytery the progress made in preparing a modernization of the Westminster Shorter Catechism.

**ANSWER:** The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod respond to this overture by directing the Fraternal Relations Committee to report its progress on this matter to all the presbyteries by September 15, 1972. Synod adopted this recommendation.

*OVERTURE C—Change ratio of delegates to Synod in FOG*

WHEREAS, the Form of Government in IV:1:b reads, “Until such time as there are three hundred ministers in this Denomination, all ministers able to attend a meeting of the Synod shall be enrolled as members thereof. . . .”; and

WHEREAS, even though there are over three hundred ministers in our Synod, (as reported by the Stated Clerk of Synod), we do not (as the Form of Government in IV:1:d implies) have a possible number of six hundred commissioners; and

WHEREAS, there is an increasing number of ministers on the rolls of our presbyteries involved in secular employment or ministering outside the bounds of our agencies and churches, and it hardly seems right to include them in the count requiring us at this time to go to a percentage of ministers; and

WHEREAS, We have actually never come near the six hundred figure in attendance at any of our Synod meetings since union in 1965, making the figures of the Form of Government seem unrealistic; and

WHEREAS, we would like to see the Form of Government give a more equitable representation to churches and pastors with a clear statement rather than one that is simply advisory in nature as is presently under study by the Form of Government committee;

THEREFORE, Midwestern Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, in Pro re Nata Meeting 8 November 1971, respectfully overtures the 150th General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, meeting in Harvey Cedars, New Jersey, 12-18 May 1972, to amend the Form of Government in IV:1:b to read as follows:

“Until such time as there are four hundred ministers and two hundred churches in this Denomination, all ministers able to attend a meeting of the Synod shall be enrolled as members thereof. . . .”;

And also, that appropriate changes be made in IV:1:c, :e, and :g.

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod respond to this overture by retaining the present stipulations of the Form of Government in accordance with the report of the Stated Clerk (see page 7). This recommendation was turned down by Synod. A motion that Synod adopt the overture of Midwestern Presbytery was seconded. Then, on motion, Synod referred the matter to the Form of Government Committee.

*OVERTURE D—Mandatory examination by Presbyteries of all ministers transferring.*

Fathers and Brethren, we the members of the Southwest Presbytery present for your consideration the following Overture:

WHEREAS, historically a departure from the faith has often been re-

lated to a neglect of responsibility to examine a minister going from one Presbytery to another,

AND, WHEREAS, the Form of Government contains no provision for a mandatory examination by the Presbytery receiving a minister from another Presbytery of the Synod,

THEREFORE, we the Southwest Presbytery meeting at Sherwood Shores on March 10-11, 1972 do respectfully overture the 150th Synod meeting in Harvey Cedars, New Jersey, May 12-18, 1972, that it clarify and amend where necessary the Form of Government to incorporate into it the principle of a mandatory examination for every minister who seeks transfer from one Presbytery to another.

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod refer this overture to the Form of Government Committee with the recommendation that F.O.G. V,6.g be amended to require a doctrinal examination, and that Synod urge presbyteries to put this practice into effect immediately. Synod adopted this recommendation.

#### *OVERTURE G—Counsel re baptizing children of non-members*

The New Jersey Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod meeting at Star Cross, New Jersey, March 25, 1972, respectfully overtures the 150th Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod meeting at Harvey Cedars, New Jersey, May 12-18, 1972 for a solution to the question of what children shall be baptized in our churches.

While recognizing that the basic necessity for the performance of the ceremony of baptism of children is that at least one parent be a believer in Christ, we desire counsel as to whether this parent, or these parents, must be members of the local church where the covenant child is baptized.

We find reasons to require that they should be members since the name of the child is placed upon the roll of covenant children of the church. The vows taken can only be properly fulfilled if the parent, or parents, take full advantage of the ministry of the church in their effort to bring up their children in the understanding and nurture of the Lord. It is the expectation of believing parents that the child who is baptized shall eventually declare his own faith in Christ and become a communicant member of the church confirming his own baptism, and thus it makes good sense that the parent also be a member of the church.

Problems which arise if a blanket rule is made that such parents must be members of the particular church in which the child is baptized are that a missionary or minister who is not himself a member of the local church may wish to have his child baptized at the church; a Christian who holds membership in a church elsewhere and has not seen fit to transfer to the church may wish to have his child nevertheless enrolled

as a covenant member of the church where he wishes him baptized and brought up.

The matter becomes important when a neighborhood family expresses an interest in having a newly born child baptized, and the pastor or elder must state the policy of the church to that parent. Shall the answer be simply that we baptize the children of church members only, or shall there be a period of time during which efforts are made to lead the parent to Christ (if not a Christian), and to lead the person to greater interest in the church and in future membership.

Assuming that the goal is membership for the parent as well as the new-born child, shall we refuse to baptize the child until the parent has joined, or can we allow a period of time during which the effort is made to bring the parents into the church while not refusing baptism until the time of their joining?

We would request information from Synod with respect to procedures to follow in this matter.

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod respond to this overture by declaring (1) that in no case should the local church baptize an infant, none of whose parents or foster parents is a believer (see FOG, II,3); (2) that a parent or foster parent of an infant to be baptized in a local church should ordinarily be a member of that church; and (3) that exceptions to (2) occur in the case of such believing parents as missionaries, chaplains, ministers who are not members of the local church where they worship, and lay people living where there is no evangelical church that practices infant baptism. After considerable discussion, Synod adopted the recommendation.

At 5:30 p.m. Synod adjourned with the Rev. Richard Tevebaugh leading in closing prayer.

### WEDNESDAY SEDERUNT

Dr. Barnes called the Synod to order with the singing of hymn, "O Could I Speak," after which the Rev. George Bragdon led in prayer.

**MINUTES:** The minutes for the Tuesday Sederunt were approved as distributed.

On motion, Synod voted to amend the docket to permit the Memorial Committee to report at 1:30 p.m.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** In the absence of the Treasurer, Dr. Charles Donaldson, his father, the Rev. L. LaVerne Donaldson presented this report, taking the occasion to announce the birth of his grandchild Joel Schultert Donaldson. The report of the Treasurer was accepted, as follows:

Fathers and Brethren:

It has been a great privilege for me to serve as treasurer during this past year. In many ways it has been a very encouraging year. I believe the Lord has blessed in certain specific ways:

1. The entire debt of \$2,000.00 to the Meiners family was paid. (The report below shows \$1,900.00, but an additional \$100.00 was sent directly to Mrs. Meiners by the New Jersey Presbytery.)
2. About half of our churches contributed to Synod expenses giving about \$700.00 more than was projected in the budget adopted by the 149th Synod.
3. All bills were paid, and as far as I know, there are no outstanding debts.
4. The balance this year is about \$1,300.00 greater than last year's balance.

While we can be very thankful for all of this I would not want to give the impression that we can now become slack in our support of the operation of Synod. There are a number of things we could do with increased support from churches.

1. Support from agencies could be gradually decreased.
2. Expenses of the various committees of Synod could more fully be met. This might mean that committees could do a more effective job in carrying out their work.
3. More help could be given to Synod commissioners from churches which are unable to pay travel expenses to Synod.
4. The Moderator and Stated Clerk could be permitted to do more traveling to represent the Synod in various churches.

During the next year I would like to encourage more member churches to contribute \$1.00 per member per year. I would also like to see the agencies continue their support to the extent of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1% of funds they receive from denominational sources. If church support increases substantially, agency support can be reduced in the future, but I do not believe we are ready for this reduction yet.

Once again let me say how much I have appreciated this opportunity to serve.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles W. Donaldson  
Treasurer

INCOME AND EXPENDITURES  
for period from May 11, 1971 to May 8, 1972

*INCOME:*

Balance May 11, 1971		\$1,705.88
Receipts		
Income from 149th Synod	\$ 516.97	
Church Support	8,710.19	
Agency Support	808.02	
Individual Gifts	373.61	
Designated Gifts		
Ministerial Welfare	290.00	
Meiners Debt	1,577.50	
<i>Mandate</i>	25.00	
Fraternal Relations	50.00	
Westminster PC, Concord, NC (legal fees)	60.00	
Miscellaneous		
Minutes	69.00	
Forms and Certificates	33.71	
		12,514.00
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR REPORT PERIOD</b>		<b>\$ 14,219.88</b>

*EXPENDITURES:*

149th Synod Expenses		
Arrangements & Promotion	\$ 500.00	
Clerical Help	220.00	
Guest Speaker	100.00	
Stated Clerk		
Salary	2,111.03	
Office Rental	500.00	
Office Expenses	645.43	
Clerical Help	495.00	
Assistant Clerk Honorarium	100.00	
Treasurer's Expenses	4.44	
Archivist's Expenses	25.00	
Travel Expenses: Moderator, Stated Clerk, Ad. Com.	1,212.00	
Printing and Mailing Minutes	2,614.29	
Fraternal Relations Com.	197.50	
Other Committees	1.03	
Ministerial Welfare	175.00	
Meiners Debt	1,900.00	
<i>Mandate</i>	25.00	
Statistician's Expenses	15.52	

Meiners Funeral	118.00
Juliusson Funeral	17.78
Baptismal Certificates (printing)	65.00
Equipment (Tape Recorder)	44.95
Westminster PC, Concord, NC	60.00
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	11,146.97
BALANCE ON HAND MAY 8, 1972	\$ 3,072.91

**REPORT OF DIVORCE AND REMARRIAGE COMMITTEE:** Dr. Donaldson reported for the Committee recommending that Synod continue the work of the Committee and that the Committee be composed of new members appointed by the moderator in order that a wider representation of the church be possible. This recommendation was adopted by the Synod. An attempt will be made to have a deeper exegetical study of these matters to be presented by the new committee. The report submitted is as follows:

- I. The Bible does not answer all practical questions in regard to divorce and remarriage. Instead it gives us helpful principles which are to be applied to specific situations.
- II. The Biblical ideal is that marriage is between one man and one woman for life.
- III. However, owing to the weakness of the flesh and the activity of Satan, this ideal is often unrealized. In such cases the mercy of God should lead us to make every effort toward the restoration of the lives of those involved.

There can be no such restoration without true repentance for sin committed. Where such repentance is evident whether in the case of those who have become new creatures in Christ subsequent to divorce or in the case of believers who have been divorced, we have assurances of the complete forgiveness of God.

- IV. Such divorced persons should be encouraged to serve the Lord with a whole heart, believing that past sins are gone.
  - 1) Where reconciliation is possible it should be sincerely sought.
  - 2) If reconciliation appears impossible such persons sincerely seeking the counsel of God may remarry. It would not be consistent with the forgiveness of God to forbid remarriage, and require such persons to forego the marriage state.
- V. "It is scripturally justifiable in the light of the experience of Paul as recorded in I Tim. 1:12-16, to allow a party who was a divorcee before becoming a Christian and who has since his profession of faith shown a firm allegiance and obedience to Jesus Christ to be considered as a candidate for the offices of the church." (28th Synod of the E.P.C. 1964, p. 43.)

The committee feels that the same principle applies to the repentant

believer. That is, that he also may be considered as a candidate for the offices of the church.

- VI. It is also felt that each case must be decided on its own merits by the court of jurisdiction.

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David Hein, chm.  
G. W. Anderson  
L. L. Donaldson  
D. Fleece  
T. Jones

**LAMB FUND:** Elder McGregor Scott expanded on the Committee’s report verbally, responding first of all to *Overture A* which had been committed to the joint committee of Lamb Fund and Board of Trustees of Synod.

#### *OVERTURE A—Petition Trustees to Increase Lamb Fund.*

Midwestern Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod hereby petitions the trustees of said synod to seek ways of increasing the principal of the Lamb and Theological Fund.

The recommendation of the joint committee was: “The Lamb Fund Committee respectfully requests the local churches seriously consider placing Lamb Fund Aid in their annual budgets. It is also our intention to use the *Mandate* and *Bulletin Supplement* to advertise the importance of increasing the amount of money available for aid/loan use by (1) making cash gifts to the Fund for annual distribution, and (2) giving cash, securities or legacies to the capital investment funds of the Synod Trustees from which most of our income is derived. The report follows:

Fathers and Brethren:

The Trustees of the Lamb and Theological Fund have met regularly during the past year discharging their responsibilities as designated by Synod.

Aid Loans totaling \$7820.00 were distributed equally to the following approved applicants:

W. B. Acker III	Thomas Kennedy	John C. Pickett
Stanley Armes	Stephen Leonard	Jayne Sickert
Render Caines	Wm. Mahlow Jr.	Timothy Stigers
Mack Gray	Frederick Marsh	Thomas Troxell
Ross Graham	Frederick McFarland	Bruce Young
George Johnston	Robert Petterson	

It should be observed that the amount available for distribution last year included approximately \$2100.00 above the monies received from Synod Trustees. This represents cash repayments of loans from men who failed to remain in the RPCES long enough to cancel their indebtedness.

The Trustees have been made aware of some ambiguities in the instructions for aid-loan applications. Also we have found it impossible to complete the processing of applications for synod approval between the time most presbyteries meet in April and Synod meeting in May. Too, it seems to be much more practical to establish the deadline for accepting applications and the cut off date of the funds available for distribution to coincide with the end of our fiscal year June 30.

For these reasons we are recommending a revision in the General Information instructions as follows:

1. Lamb Fund Aid Loans are available to young men desiring to prepare for the Gospel Ministry of our denomination. Such young men must be members in good and regular standing of one of our churches for a period of two years or more, having completed their college course, be admitted to a seminary, and have need for financial assistance.
2. If funds permit, aid loans shall be at the rate of \$500.00 maximum per school year of at least 12 credit hours per semester. If less than 12 credit hours per semester are taken, the amount of aid loan shall be reduced proportionately. Hours of study taken, in addition to a normal year of credit hours, may be held in reserve until the applicant's Seminary course is completed and degree received. Such reserve hours may be then used for an application of an additional year or portion of a year of aid loan should the applicant desire to request this even though his Seminary work has been completed in less than the normal number of years. However, no applicant shall be eligible for more than three full years of Seminary aid loan, which may be spread over a four year period.
3. All credit hours used in figuring Lamb Fund Aid Loans must be for studies taken in Seminary following Presbytery's recommendation for such aid loan.
4. If the demand for Lamb Fund Aid Loans becomes too great and the

average amount available for each applicant drops below \$500.00 per year, then the balance available shall be prorated amongst the applicants. Funds available for distribution on June 30 of each year shall be the basis for the above.

5. An application shall be made by the applicant who must be under care of Presbytery for each year aid loan is desired. Blanks for this purpose may be secured from the Clerk of Presbytery. Completed applications shall be presented to Presbytery for review and if found to be satisfactory, Presbytery shall then recommend him for aid loan. The Presbyteries shall submit with each name, a statement regarding his educational background, his intention regarding the ministry of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, and a carefully thought out written endorsement of each applicant. Completed applications including blank signed notes must be received by the Lamb Fund Secretary by June 30 of the year aid loan is expected.
6. Every applicant shall be required to sign a blank judgment note for the amount of the aid loan, which note shall bear 6% interest per annum from the time it is due until paid. This note must be signed by a reputable co-signer who is willing to be legally bound in case of default and who is satisfactory to Presbytery and the Board of the Lamb and Theological Fund. When these requirements have been met, the Treasurer of the Board of Lamb and Theological Fund shall send a check for one-half the amount of the approved aid loan to the applicant. Checks will normally be mailed in September and January provided the Lamb Fund Treasurer has been notified by the institution that the applicant has been enrolled. If, for any reason, a student reduces his credit hours below 12 or should he discontinue his studies, he shall so notify the Lamb Fund Treasurer before the start of the next semester.
7. When one who has received aid loan begins after ordination to serve the denomination as a pastor, missionary or in a denominational agency, the obligation or repayment of the aid loan shall be reduced 20% for each year of service. Failure to continue in such a capacity with the denomination for five years, shall obligate the person to repay the balance not cancelled by the above arrangement. It shall be the responsibility of the recipient of this aid loan to notify the Lamb Fund Trustees annually of his status in the denomination until the terms of this application have been fully met.
8. When one has completed his formal education and after two years has not found a place of service as outlined in paragraph 7, above, he shall notify the Committee. He shall be obligated to repay the total amount of aid-fund loan received with interest.
9. This information shall be placed on the application blank and the applicant by signing the blank shall acknowledge that the conditions under which he receives the aid loan are agreeable to him and that he will abide by these conditions.

10. Any change in these arrangements may be made by the Lamb Fund Committee or by direct action of Synod and in keeping with the Lamb Will.

We also recommend that:

- 2) No credit for reduction of aid-loan obligations be granted to participants who are currently receiving aid-loan grants.  
 3) That *final* approval of applications be the sole responsibility of the Lamb Fund Trustees.

Respectfully submitted,

McGregor Scott, Secretary  
 11 Maple Lane  
 Collingswood, N.J. 08108

P.S. The following men were approved for loans in 1972-73:

William Acker	Fred Marsh	Robert Petterson
Stanley Armes	Fred McFarland	John Pickett
Don Clements	Barry McWilliams	Bruce Young
John Hill	Hugh Midberry	Stephen Young
Charles Holliday	Thomas Kennedy	Rick Tyson
Stephen Leonard	Terry Nixon	Timothy Stigers

**FINANCIAL REPORT: LAMB FUND TRUSTEES**

Provident National Bank  
 Oct. 12/71—April 17/72

<i>Checking A/c</i>		<i>Savings A/c</i>	
10/12/71	Deposit \$ 4000.00	10/12/71	Deposit \$ 1541.48
11/18/71	17 checks 3910.00	1/31/72	Transfer to
	90.00		Checking A/c 1500.00
12/17/71	Deposit 2326.24		41.48
	2416.24	1/31/72	Interest 9.28
2/16/72	Deposit, Int. 23.55		50.76
	2439.79	Balance	50.76
2/16/72	Deposit 1500.00		
	3939.79		
2/16/72	17 checks 3910.00		
	29.79		
3/17/72	Bank charges 1.00		
	Balance 28.79		

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Ernest Breen, Treasurer

Recommendation 1 that the general information instructions be revised was adopted by Synod. Recommendation 2 was adopted, and Recommendation 3 was adopted.

**ELECTIONS:** Mr. Potoka presented the ballot for the Lamb Fund: \*Franklin Dyrness Sr. INC, \*McGregor Scott INC, William Herd, Ralph Ruth INC. The Rev. A. L. Herries was added. Nominations were closed.

**PENSION FUND:** Rev. Charles Holliday, the president of the Fund, introduced the report and Dr. Franklin Dyrness answered questions on it. The report follows:

Fathers and Brethren:

The Pension Fund Committee met four times during the past year.

The action of the 1971 Synod, Page 22 of the Minutes, relative to considering a change in the Plan to give Participants a vested interest, was carefully considered. The Committee voted not to make any change since the Plan does provide a liberal provision of protection for each Participant.

The following Participants died during the past year: Reverend Nickles A. Cochran, Reverend Harry H. Meiners, Jr., Reverend Linwood Gebb, Reverend Oliver Juliusson. Mrs. Elizabeth Olin of the Covenant Seminary Staff resigned during the past year.

At present there are 260 Participants in the Pension Plan, representing the majority of our ministers and missionaries. Most Presbyteries now require churches calling a pastor to include him in the Pension Plan.

Twelve retired persons and dependents were paid Pension benefits for a total of \$4,235.07 this past year.

### CASH STATEMENT

April 1, 1971—March 31, 1972

Balance—4/1/71		\$	7,380.53
Receipts:			
Contributions for Participants	\$	40,028.50	
Cash Realized—Bonds Matured		5,700.00	
Interest Received—Church Bonds		1,960.00	
Dividends Received on Securities		8,720.00	
Late Payment Penalties		34.80	
Cash Surrender Value—Life Ins.		628.33	
Life Insurance—Premium Refund		68.90	
Insurance—Death Payments			
Meiners	\$	4,037.56	
Cochran		1,139.90	5,177.46
Miscellaneous Cash Received		17.26	
Transfer from Savings Account		33,000.00	95,335.34
			<u>\$ 102,715.87</u>

Disbursements:

Transfer from Savings Account	\$27,000.00		
Insurance Premiums Paid	12,288.12		
Purchase of Investments	53,612.03		
Pensions Paid	2,735.07		
Death Benefits Paid	1,500.00		
Office Expense	866.99	98,002.21	98,002.21
Balance—3/31/72 Checking Account		\$	4,713.66
Balance—3/31/72 Savings Account			<u>12,876.04</u>
Total Cash		\$	17,589.70
Total Life Insurance in effect as of 3/31/72			595,000.00
Total Investments—Book Value			287,289.92
Stocks and Corporate Bonds (included in the above investments)			
Market Value—3/31/72			258,841.54
Book Value			<u>247,483.19</u>
Approximate Gain		\$	11,358.35

A full audit by a C.P.A. firm will be made and a report given to the Stated Clerk of Synod for the Minutes of Synod.

The Bookkeeping for the Plan continues to be done through WPM at no charge and is under the supervision of Miss Katherine Richards. We are most grateful for this splendid service to the denomination.

Respectfully submitted,

F. S. Dyrness  
Secretary

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. ARTICLE XIII on "early Termination of Employment." In first paragraph where it reads, "or a Participant under 65 years of age who has been an employee for not less than five years"—add "*and has sixty or more months participation credit.*" Also, in second paragraph where it reads, "in the event a participant under 65 years of age who has been an employee for less than five years"—add "*with less than sixty months of participation credit.*" Recommended by auditors.
2. Add to ARTICLE XIII the following paragraph:

*"Non-ordained participants with less than sixty months of participation credit, shall forfeit all such credit when they cease employment, unless within six months thereof, they secure other employment in one of our denominational churches or affiliated organizations covered by the Plan. Ordained participants (having less than*

*sixty months of participant credit) should not lose their accrued credit unless they leave the denomination.” Recommended by the auditors.*

3. When contact is lost with a participant, after such individual has not been heard from by the Pension Committee, Presbytery or Synod and who is no longer on the roll of a Presbytery and no known address can be secured; that such individual be dropped from the Pension Fund and any credit in his account be placed in the Reserve Account.
4. When a Pension is due and the participant cannot be located for two years, that his name be dropped from the Plan and any balance in his account added to the Reserve Account.
5. That all participants in the Pension Plan be required to notify the Committee of any change of address of occupation.
6. That the balance of \$699.02 in the account of Reverend Oliver Juliusson be given in a lump sum to his widow.
7. That Pension benefits be granted Mrs. Elizabeth Olin, in the amount established by the auditors.
8. That Mrs. Nickles A. Cochran be granted the full Pension benefits of her husband for ten years beginning July 1, 1971, and thereafter to be reviewed. The amount to be \$305.19 a year. Payments are to continue as long as there are minor children and thereafter as long as she does not re-marry.
9. That Mrs. Harry A. Meiners be granted the full Pension benefits of her husband for ten years beginning July 1, 1971, and thereafter to be reviewed. The amount to be \$502.98 per year. Payments to continue on same basis as is recommended in paragraph number 8.
10. That Mrs. Linwood Gebb be granted the full Pension of her husband for ten years beginning July 1, 1971, and thereafter to be reviewed. The amount to be established by the auditors. Payments shall only continue as long as she does not re-marry.

Recommendation 1 was adopted by Synod. Recommendation 2 was adopted. Recommendation 3 was adopted. Recommendation 4 was adopted. Recommendation 5 was adopted. Recommendations 6 through 10 were adopted all together.

On motion, Synod empowered the Pension Fund Committee to process all of the individual accounts of the Pension Committee, pending legal counsel's advice, and to report all actions to subsequent Synod meetings.

On motion, Synod changed the Pension Plan as follows: "Payments to a widow shall continue whether she remarries or not."

The time for recess having arrived, the moderator called on the Rev. William Mahlow to lead in prayer. At 11:00 a.m., Synod reconvened with prayer being offered by the Rev. Robert Stewart.

**PRESBYTERIAL RECORD REPORT:** On motion, Synod amended the docket to permit the chairman of the Presbyterian Records Committee to report. Mr. Siddons recommended that the following minutes be approved:

*California Presbytery:* Exceptions:

1. No record of meetings being constituted with prayer (pages 73, 75, 77).
2. No signatures of the moderator when space is provided (74, 77, 79).

*Delmarva Presbytery:* Exceptions:

1. In the record of a pro-re-nata meeting there should be included the names of the subscribers to the call of the meeting (pp. 13, 24, 31, 39, 40).
2. No record of the pro-re-nata meeting of Aug. 23, 1970 was closed with prayer (p. 15).

*Florida Presbytery:* Exceptions:

1. Signature of the moderator is missing (pp. 57, 89).
2. Committee of the Whole never arose to report by action (p. 74).
3. No record of opening prayer and constituting the meeting (p. 78).
4. No record of closing prayer (p. 89).

*Great Plains Presbytery:* Exceptions:

1. According to the minutes Norman McCall was licensed on April 6, 1971 and ordained on June 24, 1971, about 2½ months apart. There is no record of meeting the time requirement of 6 months between licensure and ordination, but rather its violation.

*Midwestern Presbytery:* Exceptions:

1. "Common consent" used in lieu of proper action.
2. A large portion of these minutes are verbose, redundant, extraneous and not germane. (It is strongly recommended by the Synod's Committee on Presbyterian Records that the Clerk of Midwestern Presbytery revise his method of recording the permanent minutes to comply with the Guidelines for Clerks of Presbyteries issued by the Stated Clerk of the General Synod.)

*New Jersey Presbytery:* Exceptions:

1. The minutes of the meeting of January 4, 1972 (an adjourned meeting) do not appear to have been approved at the following stated meeting on Jan. 15, 1972.

*Northeast Presbytery:* Exceptions:

1. Minutes do not state that Presbytery was constituted with prayer and/or by whom (pp. 5, 11).
2. Minutes do not state that Presbytery was closed with prayer and/or by whom (pp. 5, 11, 14).
3. On page 10, item No. 24 it is recorded that Dale West was received as a licentiate; but no record is made if he was received from some other Presbytery or by examination and approval of Northeast Presbytery or just what was the source and medium by which he fulfilled the requirements for licensure.

*Pacific Northwest Presbytery:* Exceptions:

1. Moderator's signature missing (page 235).

*Philadelphia Presbytery:* Exceptions: None.

*Pittsburgh Presbytery:* Exceptions: None.

*Rocky Mountain Presbytery:* Exceptions:

1. Immediately after a committee is dissolved it is called upon to make a report (p. 244).
2. After Presbytery votes to go into a Committee of the Whole there is no record of rising to report to Presbytery (p. 246).

*Southeast Presbytery:* Exceptions:

1. Actions taken in meeting of May 19, 1971 (p. 112) needed ratification; minutes of the same meeting were read and approved but there is no record of any ratification (p. 117).

*Southwest Presbytery:* Exceptions:

1. No signature of clerk (p. 80).

Synod adopted the recommendations of the Presbyterian Records Committee. (For further actions see pages 110, 111).

**ELECTION:** Mr. Potoka presented the ballot for Pension Fund Board: \*Floyd Rundle INC, \*Robert Stewart INC. Nominations were closed, there being no further nominations.

**REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION:** The Rev. Donald J. MacNair gave the following report:

Fathers and Brethren:

The Reformed Presbyterian Foundation has continued its ministry throughout the past year primarily through mailings. Several new contracts have been written.

The Foundation is the servant of the church. The work has again been primarily beneficial to the outreach agencies of the church. It is our desire to expand the service of the Foundation to local congregations. This service is of course already available. Until the Foundation employs a full-time officer, however, this service should be asked for since the Foundation is not in a position to seek out these opportunities.

During this year Mr. Gordon Shaw was elected treasurer of the Foundation. The remainder of this report will be comments on the financial statement and balance sheet of the Foundation by Mr. Shaw.

D. J. MacNair, President

THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION  
Balance Sheet  
December 31, 1971

*ASSETS*

Current Assets

Cash—Checking	\$ 10,476.86	
—Trust	245.60	
—Savings	<u>3,182.40</u>	\$ 13,904.86

Accounts Receivable	3,071.15
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Investments

Savings (Wellston Bank)	\$ 1,100.00	
Savings Certificate	10,000.00	
A. G. Edwards Account	52.47	
Notes Receivable		
Government—		
@ Cost	10,022.19	
Agency	40,618.31	
Stocks and Bonds		
Bonds—@ Cost	37,415.02	
Common and Preferred		
Stocks—@ December		
31, 1971 Market		
Value	<u>70,326.62</u>	169,534.61

Annuities—Insurance Companies	90,840.80
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Fixed Assets

Office Equipment	<u>291.45</u>
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Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 277,642.87</u></u>
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*LIABILITIES*

Accruals

Accrued Withholding and FICA	\$ 257.79	
Accrued Pensions	<u>190.88</u>	\$ 448.67

Undistributed Income	433.31
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Annuities —Foundation Insured	\$ 11,627.50	
—Insurance Companies	<u>90,840.80</u>	<u>102,468.30</u>

Total Liabilities	\$ 103,350.28
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*FUND BALANCES*

Restricted	\$ 158,152.71	
Unrestricted	<u>16,139.88</u>	
Total Fund Balances		<u>174,292.59</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances		<u><u>\$ 277,642.87</u></u>

Mr. Gordon Shaw made several comments on the financial situation of the Foundation.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** Dr. Franklin Dyrness gave the following report:

Fathers and Brethren:

The Board of Trustees met several times during the past year to deal with various important matters of Synod under its jurisdiction.

The capital funds totalling \$309,264.00 have been serviced by this Board. A report of the securities, income and disbursements are a part of this report in the form of the Treasurer's report.

A report has been made to the Internal Revenue Service through Attorney Donald Semisch, Legal Counsel for the denomination, reporting all our churches and any changes in same. This is most important to insure the tax-exempt status for our churches and agencies. The identification number for the entire denomination is 23-6399328. A letter from Attorney Semisch is a part of this report, in which he outlines the services rendered in legal matters.

The Commercial Blanket Bond covering all the Boards, Agencies and Committees of the denomination where funds are handled, continues in full force.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Trustees  
Charles B. Holliday  
Secretary

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
EVANGELICAL SYNOD**

**STATEMENT OF INCOME**

for the period April 1, 1971 to December 31, 1971\*

**INCOME**

Investment Income	
Mortgages and Notes	\$ 2345.69
Dividends and Interest from Stocks and Bonds	5892.52

Interest on Savings Accounts	1663.21	
Interest on John Buchanan Trust	<u>2435.31</u>	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$ 12336.73</b>

**EXPENSES**

Legal Retainer (Denomination's Attorney)	225.00	
Auditing Fee	290.00	
Mortgage Collection Commissions	20.57	
Telephone	26.38	
Stationery and Postage	6.14	
Safe Deposit Boxes	3.00	
Board Meeting Travel Expense	30.00	
Secretary's Minute Book	<u>18.36</u>	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<u>619.45</u>
<b>NET INCOME FOR THE PERIOD</b>		<b>\$ 11717.28</b>

**DISTRIBUTION OF NET INCOME:**

National Presbyterian Missions	1242.03	
Board of Home Missions	861.22	
Christian Training, Inc.:		
Robert Young Bequest	276.53	
Cedarville College Fund	108.96	
Lamb Fund (Note A)	4281.50	
World Presbyterian Missions	4900.17	
Elizabeth Taylor Memorial Fund	46.87	
		<u><u>11717.28</u></u>

Note A: Current income held by the Trustees in accordance with instruction received from the Lamb Fund Committee.

\*Report for nine (9) month period, by request of the Administration Committee. For Statement of Income and Distribution for January 1, 1971 to March 31, 1971, see "Schedule E."

**STATEMENT OF CONDITION**

December 31, 1971

**ASSETS**

**CURRENT ASSETS**

*Cash in Banks*

Lancaster County Farmers National Bank Checking Account	1866.20
Philadelphia Savings Fund Soc. Savings Account (5%)	12297.17
Roosevelt Savings Bank, New York Savings Account (5%)	16313.49

Waterville Savings Bank, Maine Savings Account (5%)	4084.70	
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>\$ 34561.56</b>
<b>INVESTMENTS (at cost)</b>		
Mortgages Receivable (Schedule A)	42049.21	
Notes Receivable (Schedule B)	25898.53	
Stocks and Bonds (Schedule C) (Market Value \$177,353.77)	150817.96	
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS</b>		<b>218765.70</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>\$ 253327.26</b>

**LIABILITIES AND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Payable for Real Estate Taxes on Mortgages	846.01	
Income Held for Lamb Fund	4281.50	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>5127.51</b>

**EQUITY**

Capital Funds (Schedule D)	246799.75	
Reserve-Appreciation on Sale of Investments (Note B)	1400.00	
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>248199.75</b>	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>		<b>\$ 253327.26</b>

Note B: By action of 142nd General Synod

**SCHEDULE A**  
**Mortgages Receivable**

<i>Mortgager</i>	<i>Int. Rate</i>	<i>Location of Property</i>	<i>Balance</i>
First Ref. Presby. Church	3%	Pittsburgh, Pa.	\$ 14961.79
Calvary Presby. Church	6	Warminster, Pa.	10750.00
Open Door Children's Home	6	Houston, Ky.	7599.33
Charles J. Scavetti	5	Phila., Pa.	1067.91
Michael R. and Eleanor Panunto	6	Phila., Pa.	1140.07
Anne W. Miller	6	Phila., Pa.	2158.44
Alexander and Daisy Davis	6	Phila., Pa.	2028.27
William L. and Anna M. Loh	6	Phila., Pa.	104.54
Edward Levine	6	Phila., Pa.	2238.86
<b>TOTAL MORTGAGES RECEIVABLE</b>			<b>\$ 42049.21</b>

SCHEDULE B  
Notes Receivable

<i>Maker</i>	<i>Int. Rate</i>	<i>Location of Property</i>	<i>Balance</i>
Beechwood Community Ref. Presby. Church	5%	Havertown, Pa.	\$ 2451.77
Calvary Presby. Church	5	King of Prussia,	8331.02
First Ref. Presby. Church	5	Indianapolis, Ind.	6000.00
Lansdale Ref. Presby. Church:			
Church	3	Lansdale, Pa.	2633.80
Manse	5	Lansdale, Pa.	1906.84
The Presbyterian Church	5	Manchester, CN	<u>4575.10</u>
			\$ 25898.53

SCHEDULE C  
Stocks and Bonds

<i>No. of Shares or Par Value</i>		<i>Cost</i>	<i>Unit Market Price</i>	<i>Total Market Value 12/31/71</i>
120.453	Allegheny Power System, Inc.	\$ 2694.89	22	\$ 2649.97
417.969	American T and T Co.	27920.18	44.75	18704.11
20	American T and T Co.—4.00 Pref.	1008.84	59.25	1185.00
195	Associated Dry Goods, Corp	5274.38	58	11310.00
\$3000.	Bethany Presby. Church— 6% Bonds	3000.00	100	3000.00
500	Chase General Corp	25.00	.125	62.50
100	Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co	2617.04	26.125	2612.50
\$28000.	Covenant College—6% Bonds	28000.00	100	28000.00
\$5000.	Daylin Corp.—5% Bonds	2711.11	73	3650.00
200	Detroit and Canada Tunnel Corp.	3100.00	17	3400.00
200	Eagle-Richer Industries, Inc.	4528.94	26.25	5250.00
892	First Penna. Corp.	13998.07	37.375	33338.50
\$3000.	Immanuel Evan. Presby. Church 7% bonds	3000.00	100	3000.00
171	Keystone Custodian Fund— Series B-4	1871.61	8.88	1518.48
\$7000.	Lykes—Youngstown Corp— 7½% Bonds	3574.19	71.875	5031.25
400	National City Lines, Inc.	5050.00	28.50	11400.00
110	Niagra Mohawk Power Corp	2242.92	16.75	1842.50
226	Penn Square Mutual Fund	1970.70	7.96	1798.96
48	Proctor and Gamble Co.	2031.00	78.50	3768.00

242	Puritan Fund, Inc.	2341.37	10.44	2526.48
203.913	Putnam Income Fund, Inc.	1974.44	8.21	1674.13
91.632	Putnam Investors Fund, Inc.	691.82	9.05	829.27
52	Standard Oil Co. of N.J.	4083.03	73.75	3835.00
114	Talcott National Corp.	2593.50	19.75	2251.50
2	United States National Bank	62.00	27.625	55.25
\$8000.	U.S. Treasury—2½% Bonds (Due 12/16/72)	6979.20	98.5625	7885.00
45	Warner-Lambert Co.	2769.83	79.75	3588.75
374.926	Wellington Fund	5412.96	11.84	4439.12
48	Westgate—Calif. Corp.	468.00	7.50	360.00
100	Wilmington Trust Co.	5500.00	38.75	3875.00
100	F. W. Woolworth Co.	3322.94	45.125	4512.50
		\$ 150817.96		\$ 177353.77
	Unrealized Gain	26535.81		
		<u>177353.77</u>		

SCHEDULE D  
Capital Fund (at cost)

National Presby. Missions	\$ 32790.77
Board of Home Missions	22718.67
Christian Training, Inc.:	
Robert Young Bequest	7300.00
Cedarville College	2894.16
Lamb Fund	113000.00
World Presby. Missions	66864.15
Elizabeth Taylor Memorial Fund	<u>1232.00</u>
	\$ 246799.75
World Presby. Missions, held by Provident National Bank, Phila.	<u>62464.85</u>
	\$ 309264.60

SCHEDULE E  
Statement of Income  
For the Period January 1, 1971 to March 31, 1971

*INCOME*

*Investment Income*

Mortgages and Notes	\$ 1188.91
Dividends and Interest from Stocks and Bonds	1471.21
Interest on Savings Accounts	312.96
Interest on John Buchanan Trust	<u>777.91</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>3750.99</b>

*EXPENSES*

Legal Retainer (Denomination's Attorney)	75.00	
Commercial Blanket Bond, covering all agencies of the Denomination	442.00	
Mortgage Collection Commissions	10.95	
Telephone	9.83	
Postage	18.51	
Board Meeting Travel Expenses	25.00	
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TOTAL EXPENSES		581.29
NET INCOME FOR THE PERIOD		<u>3169.70</u>

DISTRIBUTION OF NET INCOME:

National Presby. Missions	335.99	
Board of Home Missions	234.56	
Christian Training, Inc.:		
Robert Young Bequest	76.07	
Cedarville College Fund	28.53	
Lamb Fund	1156.94	
World Presby. Missions	1324.93	
Elizabeth Taylor Memorial Fund	12.68	
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		<u>3169.70</u>

Each year, these statements have been examined by Miller, Miller and Co., York, Penna., Certified Public Accountants, and an audited copy sent to the Clerk of Synod for inclusion in the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles L. Eckardt  
Treasurer

Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod  
Box 12-A, RD No. 2  
Quarryville, Pennsylvania 17566

Attention: Dr. Franklin S. Dyrness

Dear Dr. Dyrness:

In response to your request regarding an indication of services rendered to the denomination for the year 1971, I am setting forth the following:

*Pension Fund:*

Review of Tax Return  
Correspondence with Miller and Company (4 letters)  
Correspondence re: Laugesen (letters received—6, letters sent—5)

*World Presbyterian Missions:*

Correspondence with Gordon Taylor regarding legal transactions in India

Preparation of Parental Consent and Waiver of Liability for Summer Missionary Service

Correspondence and Telephone Calls regarding the status of the Mission Property in Peru

*General Services:*

Annual Report of denomination

Preparation and Filing of Non-private Foundation

Status, Form 4653

Misc. Correspondence

I usually receive phone calls or miscellaneous letters regarding general advice which have been responded to. I have not listed items which I regard legal services for the College since I am a member of the Board and it is difficult to distinguish between Board services and legal services.

Should any further explanations be desired, I will be happy to respond.

Very truly yours,

Donald A. Semisch

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**ELECTION:** Mr. Potoka presented the ballot for the Reformed Presbyterian Foundation Board members: W. Alling INC, W. Gerstung INC, R. Palmer INC, V. Pierce INC, E. Smick INC, H. Smith INC. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed.

Mr. Potoka then reported the following recommendation of the Nominating Committee that the Reformed Presbyterian Foundation Board bring to Synod a plan whereby members are elected in classes. This was adopted by Synod.

**AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT:** Rev. Robert Edmiston, as Chairman of the Committee, made the following report:

The Committee examined the CPA audited financial reports of the following boards and agencies, audited by the following firms:

1. World Presbyterian Missions—Miller, Miller & Co.
2. Christian Training, Inc.—Niessen, Dunlap & Pritchard Co.
3. Covenant Seminary—Glenn Ingram & Company
4. National Presbyterian Missions—Swanson, Ogilvie & McKenzie Co.
5. Pension Fund—Miller, Miller & Co.

The Committee examined financial reports of the following boards and found the reports to be in order. Reports audited by CPA are to be given to the Stated Clerk.

1. Covenant College (See pages 52-55).
2. Board of Trustees (See pages 99-105).

The financial reports of the following board and agencies were found to be in order. There was neither the time nor the substantiating data available to fully audit the books:

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|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Health and Welfare Committee | 4. Knollwood Lodge   |
| 2. Lamb Fund                    | 5. Mandate Committee |
| 3. Treasurer of Synod           | 6. Home Missions     |

Suggestions for improving the financial record keeping of the boards and agencies have been made to the respective parties.

*Recommendations:*

1. As in past Synods, we recommend that boards, agencies, and committees handling over \$10,000 annually, especially those agencies having one or more fulltime employees, have their books audited by a CPA firm.
2. We recommend that Synod's Administration Committee present to the 151st General Synod a plan to reorganize the various financial committees of Synod (Board of Trustees, Reformed Presbyterian Foundation, Lamb Fund, Health and Welfare Committee, Pension Fund, and Synod's Treasurer's Fund) combining them into one.

**AUDITING COMMITTEE**

Robert Edmiston, Chairman  
 Gordon Shaw  
 Harold Hight  
 Robert Titmus

The report was adopted by Synod.

Recommendation 1 was adopted. Recommendation 2 was substituted as follows: "That the Administrative Committee present a plan to the 151st General Synod for consolidation of the unified financial management of the above-mentioned committees." After further discussion a motion was made to refer back to the Audit Committee. This was seconded and carried.

Synod recessed at 12:15 with Rev. Eugene Potoka leading in prayer.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE:** At 1:30 p.m. the Rev. John W. Buswell led Synod in prayer as he opened the Memorial Service. He was assisted by Elder Joseph C. Brown who read the scriptures from I Thessalonians 4:13-18.

The following memorials were read by Mr. Buswell:

*Rev. Oliver C. Juliusson*

Rev. Oliver C. Juliusson, a minister in the Reformed Presbyterian Church for twenty-four years, was called into the presence of his Lord on February 3, 1972, after suffering a heart attack some time

earlier. The fifty-eight-year-old minister was moderator of the Rocky Mountain Presbytery at the time of his death.

Rev. Juliusson served his Lord in pastorates in Minneapolis, Minn.; Merrill, Wisconsin; Pittsburgh, Penna.; Coulterville, Ill.; and Wheat Ridge, Colo. He had just completed work toward a Masters Degree at the University of Northern Colorado. He also served on the Board of Trustees of Covenant College for many years.

Rev. Oliver Juliusson, a true servant of God, was a true servant of Christ's Church. We shall miss him very much, especially the true wisdom he possessed and his kind and loving expressions, but we know that for him to depart this life and be with God is far better.

#### *Rev. Nickles A. Cochran*

The Rev. Mr. Nickles A. Cochran passed from us on May 29, 1971. He was a graduate of Columbia Bible College, Columbia, South Carolina, and Faith Theological Seminary, Wilmington, Delaware. Upon completion of his seminary training, Nick served as a chaplain with our armed services during World War II. In 1947 he became a missionary with his wife, Emily, and their first daughter, then age two, in the land of Peru. He labored for a number of years under The Independent Board for Presbyterian Foreign Missions and joined World Presbyterian Missions when this board was formed. He and his family lived in Huanta, Peru, a town 9,000 feet in the Andes Mountains, working among the Quechua Indians. His work included Bible institute teaching, itinerant evangelism, establishing churches and leadership training. One of his greatest achievements was the establishment of a radio station by which means the gospel is still being beamed to the people of the entire area of his ministry. We should be much in prayer for Emily and their five daughters.

#### *Dr. Linwood George Gebb*

Dr. Linwood George Gebb was taken from us suddenly in an automobile accident July 26, 1971. His early ministry was in Texas and Florida, but in 1950 because of the apostasy within the Presbyterian Church, U.S., Dr. Gebb led in the formation of what is now the Covenant Presbyterian Church, Lakeland, Florida. After this he served as pastor of the Bible Presbyterian Church, Enon Valley, Pennsylvania, and in 1965 became pastor of the Asheville Bible Church in Asheville, North Carolina.

Dr. Gebb was an active participant on various boards and agencies of the Bible Presbyterian Synod and served as the Moderator of the Seventeenth General Synod of the Bible Presbyterian Church in 1954. He also maintained a daily radio ministry which originated at Black Mountain, North Carolina and was also heard in Puerto Rico for a period of six years. Lindy Gebb will long be remembered as a friendly, person-

ble, Christian gentleman, as well as a faithful pastor and counselor of many.

#### *Alfred R. Zimmerman*

Mr. Alfred R. Zimmerman, Elder of the Bible Presbyterian Church of Merrill, Wisconsin, was suddenly called Home on August 15, 1971, while vacationing in Canada. He had lived in the Merrill area since his birth on November 16, 1917.

He had an active interest in the work of the Lord, having served as a Deacon; and at his death, was also a Trustee and Sunday School Secretary.

#### *Roelof J. Kiers*

On May 21, 1971, after a severe illness of several months, at the age of 62, Mr. Roelof J. Kiers, an elder in the Covenant Presbyterian Church of St. Louis, was called into the presence of his Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

On January 25, 1956, the congregation elected Mr. Kiers to be an elder. He served on the Session faithfully and took the responsibilities of his office seriously, considering that his best efforts were required in the oversight of the church family to insure their spiritual well-being.

Mr. Kiers was endowed with a splendid singing voice, loved good music and the old hymns of the faith, and was active in the church choir for many years. With a keen interest in the work of National Presbyterian Missions, he also served as chairman of the Vanguard Commission of the Midwestern Presbytery.

#### *George P. Sim*

Elder George P. Sim died April 2, 1971, Colorado Springs, Colorado. Of strong Scottish Presbyterian background, his love for the Westminster Shorter Catechism, his invaring good humor under all kinds of circumstances, endeared him to all members and firends of the church. Under the ministry of the Rev. F. O. Seamans in Westminster Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) ordained an elder, serving for ten years, until First Bible Presbyterian Church was begun, with the Rev. W. B. Leonard, Jr., organizing pastor.. Mr. Sim was a charter member of the new church, and elected an elder on February 3, 1953, serving faithfully for some fifteen years until ill-health forced him to retire. His widow, Ruth Sims, continues faithfully in the church.

#### *Wilbur Verne Wright*

Elder Wilbur Verne Wright died May 25, 1971, Colorado Springs, Colorado. Ordained a Deacon in the First Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Colorado Springs, becoming a member of First Bible Presbyterian Church of that city in 1954, then elected and ordained and installed

as elder, April 24, 1955. He served as Treasurer of the church from 1958 to 1963, and again from 1967 to the time of his death in 1971. Teacher of the Men's Bible Class for many years; Tenor Soloist, and Choir Director, he was a man who gave of himself and his means unstintingly for the cause of Christ. The Lord took him home three days following a fire at his business, in which he was seriously burned. His widow, Maybelle, continues faithfully in the church.

*Edwin Coover*

Our Lord has seen fit in His almighty judgment to call home on November 26th, 1971, one of His faithful servants, Edwin Coover. Mr. Coover has served faithfully as an Elder, Officer and Member of Calvary Presbyterian Church of Media, Pennsylvania, since its establishment in 1957, giving of his time generously in attendance at services, having a deep prayerful concern for the youth of the congregation, the constant use of his home as a center for church social activity, and of his active participation in the upkeep and maintenance of church property, as a testimony to the glory of God.

*Chester H. McChesney*

Mr. Chester H. McChesney went to be with the Lord on April 23, 1972. His father was one of the first elders in the Darlington Reformed Presbyterian Church. Chester was elected to the Session of the church in 1938, and served until 1967. One of his sons serves on the Session at the present.

*Samuel P. Finlay*

Samuel P. Finlay went to be with the Lord he loved, from his birth and whom he joyously served, on December 26th, 1971. He followed his spiritual pilgrimage as an elder and Sunday School Secretary in the Bible Presbyterian Church of Collingswood, N.J. Later, with Rosanna, his wife, they transferred membership to Covenant Presbyterian Church in Cherry Hill and then in 1961 both membership and Elder to Faith Presbyterian Church of Sarasota, Florida, which position he held until his death.

*Verna Lair Engstrom*

Verna Lair Engstrom, wife of Rev. Ted Engstrom, Merrill, Wisc., was suddenly ushered into the immediate presence of her Lord on August 15, 1971, while vacationing in Canada. She was born in West Grove, Pa., November 2, 1931, attended local schools there, and graduated from the University of Delaware in 1952. She completed her M.A. in Math at Ohio State University, and then completed her M.R.E. work at Covenant Theological Seminary, being in its first graduating class in 1957. She taught at Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa.; a Christian

High School in Philadelphia; and at Covenant College; and then did substitute teaching in the Merrill Public Schools.

*Hjalmar J. Stevenson*

Hjalmar J. Stevenson, Elder of the Bible Presbyterian Church, Merrill, Wisc. was suddenly called Home to Glory on April 24, 1972, at age of 73. He had attended the Worship Service at the church the preceding day, cheerful as usual. Mr. Stevenson was a charter member of the church, and an Elder on the first Session, elected to that office in July, 1936. He had previously served as Elder in the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. He was active in the work of the church through the years, having served as commissioner from the local church to Presbytery and Synod.

The Memorial Service was then closed with prayer being offered by the Rev. Bruce Fiol.

**PRESBYTERIAL RECORDS (continued from page 97):** Mr. Siddons presented an answer to the Rev. Dr. Gordon H. Clark's questions concerning the propriety and legality of actions by Midwestern Presbytery.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

You have referred to the Presbyterial Records Committee the letter of Dr. Gordon H. Clark, dated April 21, 1972 in which he raises two points and questions the legality of the ordination of a man-under-care. The points are: (1) the vote to ordain had over 25% negative vote on motions to proceed to ordination, and (2) the absence of an interval of six months between licensure and ordination.

The action taken by the Midwestern Presbytery (see Presbytery minutes pages 32, 33, 34 and 54) does not violate the Form of Government, Chapter V, Section 5, paragraphs g and h (pages 54 and 55) in regard to the negative vote; nor has the Presbytery been improper in regard to the six-month requirement in that the Presbytery waived that requirement by proper vote (see Presbytery Minutes, page 54).

Respectfully submitted,  
Wilbur Siddons, Chairman  
Presbytery Records Committee  
May 17, 1972

Synod adopted the answer of the Presbyterial Records Committee. It was moved that the response of the Presbyterial Records Committee to Dr. Clark be transmitted to him. This was seconded and passed.

The Presbyterial Records Committee then reported:

Presbytery Records Committee completes its report by indicating that

Presbytery minutes were NOT submitted to the 150th General Synod by *Southern Presbytery* nor *Saharanpur Presbytery*.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wilbur Siddons, Chairman  
Presbytery Records Committee

**ELECTIONS:** Dr. Barnes called upon the vice moderator to preside. Mr. Potoka presented the ballot for the Board of Trustees: \*Franklin Dyrness, Sr. INC, \*Charles Eckardt INC, \*Wesley Vannoy INC. Added to that ballot by nominations from the floor: John Clark, Harold Rapp and Robert Stewart. Nominations were then closed.

On motion, Dr. Peter Stam was elected to fill the vacancy in the Class of 1973 of the Magazine Committee. This was carried.

**SYNOD BUDGET:** Synod's Budget was presented as changed by previous actions and was finally adopted by Synod at this time.

SYNOD BUDGET  
1972-73

*Receipts*

Income from 150th Synod

Registrations	\$ 1,000.00
Offerings	500.00
Church Support	10,250.00
Agency Support	1,000.00
Individual Gifts	<u>785.00</u>

\$ 13,535.00

*Expenditures*

150th Synod Expenses

Arrangements	200.00
Clerical Help	400.00
Guest Speakers	300.00
Travel Expenses	1,500.00
Promotion	<u>500.00</u>

2,900.00

Stated Clerk

Salary	2,000.00
Office Rental	500.00
Office Expenses	700.00
Clerical Help	<u>1,500.00</u>

4,700.00

Assistant Clerk Honorarium

Treasurer's Expenses	100.00
Archivist's Expenses	25.00
	50.00

Travel Expenses: Moderator, Stated Clerk,	
Administrative Committee	1,500.00
Printing and Mailing of Minutes	3,000.00
Fraternal Relations Committee	500.00
Other Committees	560.00
Miscellaneous	200.00
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\$ 13,535.00

**BILLS AND OVERTURES:** Chaplain John MacGregor reported for the Committee on the following overtures (For previous action on overtures see pages 82-85, 89).

*OVERTURE E—Change 2nd Ordination Vow*

WHEREAS, Synod has recognized a need for clarification of the second ordination vow by the following actions:

- 1) The appointing of a committee to “study . . . question two and the apparent ambiguity therein, with a view toward revision if necessary.” (148th General Synod: July 1970)
- 2) The reception of the committee’s report, referring it to the presbyteries for study (149th General Synod: May 1971), and

WHEREAS, Synod has had an entire year for study of the report wherein is found abundant evidence that the mind of American Presbyterianism as seen in its official actions for 181 years (1729-1910) has been most clear and without ambiguity, ruling that the ordination vow binds the subscriber to receive and adopt the Confession and Catechisms rather than some undefined system of doctrine;

THEREFORE, The California Presbytery, most solicitous to bring our denomination into closer conformity with the mind of the church in that period when she had the highest regard for truth, overtures the 150th Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod to:

- 1) Aver its conviction that the second ordination vow binds the Subscriber to the Confession of Faith and Catechisms which he has vowed to receive and adopt as his own confession; not just so far as they happen to contain the system of doctrine taught in scripture, but because he recognizes them to be a faithful summary of scriptural doctrine;
- 2) Revise the second ordination vow to read: “Do you sincerely receive and adopt the doctrinal standards of this church, namely, the Westminster Confession of Faith, and Catechisms, Larger and Shorter, as your own confession of faith, and as a faithful summary of scriptural doctrine?”
- 3) Recognize that the second ordination vow assumes neither an *ip-sissima verba* (every word) subscription nor the absence of any reservations. What it does assume is that the subscriber having honestly examined any and all reservations is willing to subordinate the same

—without any wounding to his conscience—so as to pledge his active support of the standards which he recognizes to be a most faithful summary of scriptural doctrine.

**ANSWER:** The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod adopt Overture E as follows:

Recommendation (1) as is.

Recommendation (2) as is.

Recommendation (3) with the following revision: Recognize that the second ordination vow assumes neither an *ipsissima verba* (every word) subscription nor the absence of any reservations (doubts or questions) nor the absence of possible honest disagreements. What it does assume is that the subscriber having honestly examined any and all reservations is willing to subordinate the same—without any wounding to his conscience—so as to pledge his support of the standards which he recognizes to be a most faithful summary of scriptural doctrine. Furthermore, when honest disagreement with any article does exist, the subscriber is to make known the exception(s) to the appropriate judicatory (presbytery/session) prior to the taking of the vow.

**ACTION:** It was moved and seconded to adopt recommendations 1, 2, and 3. Recommendation 1 lost. Recommendation 2 was amended as follows: to strike out “and as a faithful summary of scriptural doctrine” and to add: “and as embodying the system of doctrine taught in Holy Scripture.”\* and an asterisked footnote: \* “The second ordination vow assumes neither an *ipsissima verba* (every word) subscription, nor the absence of any reservations (doubts or questions) nor the absence of possible disagreements. What it does assume is that the subscriber, having honestly examined any and all reservations, is willing to subordinate the same—without any wounding to his conscience—so as to pledge his support of the standards. Furthermore, when honest disagreement with any article does exist, the subscriber is to make known in writing the exception(s) to the appropriate judicatory (presbytery/session) prior to the taking of the vow.”

On a procedural motion the previous question was passed. Dr. William Barker and Dr. Richard Gray asked that their negative votes be recorded.

At 3:20 p.m. Synod recessed with prayer. The Moderator reconvened Synod at 4:20 p.m. by asking Mr. William Bonner to pray.

The vote on recommendation 2 as amended lost by ballot count, 76 to 42, a 2/3 vote being required by F.O.G., VI, 2.

Recommendation 3 was amended and adopted as follows:

Synod recognizes that the second ordination vow assumes neither an *ipsissima verba* (every word) subscription nor the absence of any reservations (doubts or questions) nor the absence of possible honest disagreements. What it does assume is that the subscriber having honestly examined any and all reservations is willing to subordinate the same—without any wounding to his conscience—so as to pledge his support of the standards. Furthermore, when honest disagreement with any article does exist, the subscriber is to make known in writing the exception(s) to the appropriate judicatory (presbytery/session) prior to the taking of the vow.

#### *OVERTURE N—Retain present 2nd Ordination Vow*

The Rocky Mountain Presbytery overtures the 150th General Synod of the RPC,ES to find the second ordination question acceptable in its present form. We ask that application of this question to candidates for ordination be the prerogative of presbyteries without further changes by Synod.

We further note that it is not by rewriting already good vows that we will keep our church from either unbelief or unreformed doctrine, but by failure on the part of presbyteries to apply the present vows to the counsel and examination of candidates for ordination. For example, the Presbyterian Church U.S. (Southern) still has as its official standards the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms, but in many cases men lie in taking their vows of subscription to those standards, and often presbyteries do nothing about it.

We further request that Synod go on record requiring a regular study by all elders and officers within the RPC,ES of the Westminster Standards.

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod respond to Overture N by requiring regular study of the Westminster Standards by all elders and officers within the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod. Synod adopted this recommendation.

#### *OVERTURE H—Meaning of “false doctrine” in FOG*

The Rocky Mountain Presbytery respectfully overtures the 150th General Synod for clarification of the meaning and scope of the words “false doctrine” in chapter II, the Particular Church, paragraph 2; communicant members on page 7 of our *Form of Government*.

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod respond to this overture by declaring that, in view of the fact that FOG, II, 2 puts “false doctrine” parallel to “flagrant sin” as a contradiction of a person’s Christian profession, “false doctrine” here means either adherence to views contrary to the evangelical

Christian faith or propagation of doctrines contrary to the Westminster Standards in such a way as would disrupt the peace, purity, and unity of the church. Synod adopted this answer.

At 5:30 p.m. Synod adjourned this sederunt. Elder Anson Loose prayed.

At 7:30 p.m. Synod was called to order by the Moderator, Dr. Marion Barnes, who led in prayer.

Since this session was not scheduled in the docket, but having been agreed upon informally, the Synod on motion found the call to be in order without dissenting vote.

#### **BILLS AND OVERTURES (continued):**

*OVERTURE I—Clarify the disposition of one who is under suspension*  
Southern Presbytery respectfully overtures the 150th Synod of the RPC,ES meeting at Harvey Cedars, New Jersey, May 12-18, 1972 to clarify a point in our Book of Discipline regarding the disposition of persons under suspension. It appears that there are only two alternatives: (1) To keep suspended person under discipline or (2) to restore him to good standing in the membership. Presbytery feels that there should be a third alternative: that of dropping the suspended person from the roll. This seems to be the wisest way to deal with a suspended person who has removed himself from the geographical jurisdiction of a church and remains out of contact for a prolonged period.

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that in the case of a suspended person removing himself from the geographical jurisdiction of a church and remaining out of contact for a prolonged period, a practice analogous to Provision 5 of Chapter VII "Cases Without Full Process" be exercised. That is that after a two year period of faithful attempts at restoration, the suspended person be dropped from the roll with the reasons recorded. On motion, this was adopted.

#### *OVERTURE J—Amend Book of Discipline to allow "inactive" status*

Southern Presbytery respectfully overtures the 150th Synod of the RPC,ES meeting at Harvey Cedars, New Jersey, May 12-18, 1972 to amend Chapter VII of the Book of Discipline to include a new paragraph 5 as follows:

"When a member ceases to attend regular services but is judged by Session to be sincerely seeking affiliation with another evangelical body, he may be placed on an inactive roll, depriving him of the right to vote and hold office."

Present paragraph 5 would then become paragraph 6 and the numeration of subsequent paragraphs changed accordingly.

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod respond to this overture by observing that the potential

dangers of an inactive roll are greater than the convenience to be realized thereby. Synod adopted the committee's recommendation.

*OVERTURE K—Extend bounds of Florida Presbytery*

WHEREAS, the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Grand Cayman, British West Indies has requested entry into the Florida Presbytery, and WHEREAS, the Florida Presbytery has voted to receive said church, and

WHEREAS, the Cayman Islands lie approximately four hundred miles outside the limits of the continental United States,

Be it therefore resolved that the Florida Presbytery of the RPC,ES henceforth include the islands of the Caribbean Sea.

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod adopt the resolution contained in this overture and that this be incorporated in the legal description of our presbyteries' boundaries. This was adopted.

*OVERTURE L—Re: Dispensational Committee Report*

The Florida Presbytery requests Synod to make the report of the Dispensational Committee available to the churches in logical order.

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod request Christian Training, Inc. to publish the reports by the Committee on Dispensationalism to Synod's meeting in 1970 and 1971 for the benefit of our presbyteries. Synod adopted this recommendation.

*OVERTURE M—Minors' voting privileges*

The Rocky Mountain Presbytery overtures the 150th General Synod of the RPC,ES as to why minors are not permitted to vote in non-corporate (legal) matters, viz. election of officers, church business, etc., asking for Synod's evaluation and further research. (A study paper is enclosed with this letter entitled "Committee on Privileges of Church Membership Regardless of Age")

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod respond to this overture by referring to FOG, II, 6, which states in its second paragraph that "all communicant members of a particular church shall be entitled to vote in meetings of the congregation, unless an age limit is specified in the rules governing the particular church," and by referring this overture, with the attached study paper, to the Form of Government Committee for consideration of possible deletion of the restrictive clause. We further recommend that Synod direct the Form of Government Committee to consider amending FOG, II, 5, and II, 7c (both of which pertain to voting age requirements for Corporation matters) so as to bring them

into accordance with legal age requirements of the various states. Synod adopted this recommendation.

*OVERTURE O—Continuation of Study on Speaking in Tongues*

The Rocky Mountain Presbytery overtures the 150th General Synod of the RPC,ES, requesting the Synod Study Committee on Speaking in Tongues be continued and that a study be made regarding the possible correlation and or parallel between the modern tongues movement and the current trends and emphasis on demonology. This would envision due note being taken regarding the Scriptural distinctions as they are given concerning demonology and the similarities that are stated through false claims being made regarding the possession of spiritual gifts.

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod respond to this overture by recommending again that the presbyteries study last year's report on tongues-speaking, and by appointing a new committee to study the separate question of contemporary demonic activity in contrast to the power of the Holy Spirit. This was adopted.

*OVERTURE P—Official Synod Insignia*

The Pittsburgh Presbytery respectfully overtures the 150th General Synod that Synod adopt Synod's letterhead cross insignia now being used, as the official insignia of the RPCES and investigate the possibility of having outdoor signs made which could be purchased by the individual churches for display.

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod refer this overture to the Fraternal Relations Committee for their consideration in developing a plan of union with the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. On motion, this was adopted.

*OVERTURE Q—Presbyteries to elect for Nominating Committee of Synod*

The Pittsburgh Presbytery respectfully overtures the 150th General Synod that Synod adopt the procedure of having the individual presbyteries elect their own members to serve on the nominating committee of the Synod.

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod refer this overture to the Standing Rules Committee for their consideration as they work out the details of the composition, description, and duties of the Service Committees (Chapter XIV). This was adopted.

*OVERTURE R—Change FOG re: preparation for the ministry*

The Southern Presbytery meeting at Huntsville, Alabama October 8-9, 1971 hereby respectfully overtures the 150th General Synod of the

RPC,ES meeting in Harvey Cedars, New Jersey May 12-18, 1972 to change the Form of Government as follows:

1. Chapter V, Section 5b—After the word “preparation” in the second paragraph of the section add the words “which shall include opportunities for the public ministry of the Word under the supervision of presbytery.”
2. Chapter V, Section 5f—In the first paragraph of the section delete the words “and at least two years. . . .” to the end of the sentence, replacing these words with the clause:

“A candidate for the ministry shall ordinarily prepare for licensure not later than the completion of the second year of seminary. Under extraordinary circumstances a candidate may present himself for licensure without the usual academic qualifications.”

*ANSWER:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod respond to this overture by appointing a committee to study these matters and report to the 151st General Synod. This was adopted by Synod.

*OVERTURE S—Definition of Gospel ministry and consideration of pastoral counseling as a possible ministry for ordination*

Philadelphia Presbytery: Because of the emergence of pastoral counseling as a possible ministry for ordination “not accompanied by installation in the pastoral charge” (FOG p. 61) and because there is not complete unity in the Presbytery and perfect clarity in the Form of Government in reference to pastoral counseling, Philadelphia Presbytery overtures the 150th Synod meeting at Harvey Cedars May 13-18, 1972:

1. To consider the definition of the gospel ministry as given in the Form of Government (p. 50)
2. To re-examine the exegesis of I Timothy 5:17,18 as used in this definition.
3. To consider the vocation of pastoral counseling as a possible ministry for ordination “not accompanied by installation in the pastoral charge” (FOG, p. 61) and the relationship of such a ministry to the Church (as congregation or congregations).
4. To clarify, if necessary, the Form of Government on this whole matter.

*OVERTURE T—Enlarging description of the ministry (similar to Overture S)*

Philadelphia Presbytery: Whereas the Form of Government prescribes ordination for the ministry primarily for the pastorate, (ch. V, 4a,b,c, p. 50,51) and

whereas it also prescribes ordination for those in some specialized ministries other than the pastorate (V, 5s, p. 61), and

whereas in the past 50 years the ministry has developed considerably and new specialized ministries have emerged

We therefore overture the 150th General Synod to make a study of Scripture and the ministry today with a view to possible 1) enlarging the description of the ministry; and/or 2) adding to or deleting from the list of specialized ministries recognized as exceptions; and/or 3) providing for oversight of a minister not laboring in a pastorate; and/or 4) providing the machinery for a man to withdraw from the responsibilities for which he was ordained when he is called to some other area of service.

*ANSWER TO OVERTURES S and T:* The Bills and Overtures Committee recommends that Synod respond to these overtures by appointing a committee to study these matters and to report to the 151st General Synod. Synod adopted the committee's recommendation

*OVERTURE F—Advise re. licensure of Mr. Bogenrief*

WHEREAS, the Philadelphia Presbytery at its October 9, 1971, meeting examined Mr. Robert Bogenrief for licensure.

AND, WHEREAS, Mr. Bogenrief stated his theological position to be in conflict with the Westminster Standards regarding the Sabbath. See Form of Government, Chapter 5, Section 3-(2); the Westminster Confession, Chapter 21, especially Sections 7 and 8; the Larger Catechism, Questions 115-121, especially 116 and 117; the Shorter Catechism, Questions 57-62.

AND, WHEREAS, the Presbytery over voiced protest did license Mr. Bogenrief to preach.

NOW, THEREFORE, we overture the 150th Synod to advise the Philadelphia Presbytery whether the action taken regarding the licensure of Mr. Bogenrief was proper and in keeping with the Standards of the Denomination and, if not, to give the proper instruction to the Philadelphia Presbytery in this matter.

**JUDICIAL COMMISSION (Overture F had been referred to the Judicial Commission):** The Rev. Kenneth A. Horner, Jr. reported for the Commission. He first asked for a ruling as to whether *Overture F* had been placed in the hands of the Judicial Commission for their recommendations to Synod or for judicial action.

On motion, Synod asked for judicial decision on *Overture F*. The report of the Commission follows:

Brethren:

The Judicial Commission has had one matter referred to it since last year's report. This was the overture from Faith Reformed Presbyterian Church submitted through the Philadelphia Presbytery which concerned the licensure of Mr. Robert Bogenrief.

Mr. Bogenrief appeared for licensure examination on October 9, 1971. He stated that his theological position was in conflict with the Westminster Standards regarding the Sabbath. There was a motion that presbytery defer the licensure and that Mr. Bogenrief be given more time to study the Sabbath question.

This was amended to require that the candidate write a paper on the Sabbath question to the satisfaction of the Candidates Committee. A negative vote was recorded. The amendment carried, but the main motion was lost. It was further voted to license Mr. Bogenrief but that before his ordination and by the time of the next stated meeting in January he submit his paper on the Sabbath.

At the meeting of Presbytery on January 8, 1972, the Candidates Committee presented a report on the paper submitted by Mr. Bogenrief, and Mr. Bogenrief was questioned by members of the presbytery. Presbytery approved the report of the committee to accept the paper.

There were six negative votes recorded. The matter was submitted to Synod as an overture by vote of Presbytery in response to request from the Quarryville Session that the overture be so submitted.

The Synod referred the matter to the Synod Judicial Commission. The Commission conducted two sessions about the matter, in one of them interviewing Mr. Bogenrief regarding his views. Our conclusions are as follows:

- I. The Matter before us should have been presented to Synod in the form of a complaint rather than an overture. Actions of church courts that are objected to should be brought to the next higher court through first a notice of complaint, and then the complaint itself, within the time limits prescribed in the Book of Discipline, and signed by the required persons.
- II. We regard it as unwise for a presbytery to vote to license a man who declares that he takes exception to the Confessional view of the Sabbath and consider that the candidate for licensure should have made his study and prepared his paper before being licensed.
- III. It seems apparent to the Commission that Mr. Bogenrief's position in two points is still not fully resolved concerning the scripturalness of our Standards:
  1. the "appointment of the Sabbath between creation and Sinai, and
  2. the use of the word "whole" in the "whole time in the public and private exercises of /God's/ worship" and the exclusion of all public amusements on the Sabbath.

However, it is our conviction from reading the paper submitted and from talking with the candidate that the licentiate's views are in sufficient harmony with the Confessional view that we believe his licensure should stand.

**ELECTIONS:** Mr. Potoka distributed ballots for the Nominating Committee election: DMV \*Robert Warren INC, GP \*Robert Wildeman, Sr. INC, PH \*Eu-

gene Potoka INC, PNW William McColley, Patrick Morison, SA Dr. John Taylor Sr., SO \*Ron Shaw. Rev. James Morton (NE) and Rev. Gerald Malkus (SE) were nominated. Nominations were closed.

**ATTENDANCE AND EXPENSE COMMITTEE:** Rev. Winslow Collins gave a hilarious report. It was moved, seconded and passed that the expenses of commissioners be handled by the Committee.

At 8:40 p.m. Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. Martin Freeland.

#### THURSDAY SEDERUNT

Dr. Barnes called the meeting to order with the singing of hymn, "Not I but Christ." The Rev. Samuel S. Ward led in prayer.

**MINUTES:** Minutes of Wednesday's Sederunt were approved as distributed.

**ELECTIONS:** Mr. Potoka mentioned that there was need of a runoff election for the Nominating Committee representative for the Pacific Northwest Presbytery, between Mr. McColley and Mr. Morison.

**ELECTIONS:** Then Mr. Potoka presented the ballot for the Judicial Commission: Thomas G. Cross, William A. Mahlow. Nominations from the floor included Rev. Frank Smick, Paul Alexander, Everett DeVelde, Ronald Shaw. Nominations were closed.

**FORM OF GOVERNMENT REPORT:** Dr. Robert Reymond presented the report for the Form of Government Committee:

Fathers and Brethren:

The Form of Government Committee of the Synod has not received during the past year any suggested changes to the Book of Discipline or the Directory for the Worship of God, to be studied by the Form of Government Committee and then to be presented to the 150th Synod of the RPC,ES.

The Committee, however, did have referred to it by the 149th General Synod (see 1971 Synod Minutes, pp. 15, 16, 103) Overture D, which suggested that the entire last sentence in Chapter IV, Section 1, paragraph f of the Form of Government be deleted and that the following sentence be substituted for it:

"The Presbyteries shall exercise diligent care to give the particular churches as fair representation as is practicable when selecting their ministerial and their ruling elder delegates;

and that Chapter IV, Section 1, paragraph j of the Form of Government be amended by changing the third sentence to read as follows:

“The Presbyteries shall elect their quotas of elder commissioners from among the elders designated by the sessions to represent their congregations in their presbyteries.”

This committee is ready to receive in the coming year any suggested changes of the documents mentioned above. Since Christian Training, Inc. is in the process of publishing the denomination's standards, including the Confession of Faith, the Form of Government Committee suggests that it be allowed to accumulate suggested changes over the next two years, including the above-mentioned Overture D. During this interval of time, the Synod can then give the published Form of Government, Book of Discipline and Directory for the Worship of God an opportunity to be further tested in the life of the Church. During the same period, the Form of Government Committee can think through and integrate any and all suggested changes.

We suggest the committee then report to the 152nd Synod proposed changes to these documents to be considered by that Synod and then be sent down to presbyteries for their consideration. This procedure will allow the published documents to be tested for three years before being changed.

*Recommendations:*

1. That the Form of Government, Book of Discipline and Directory for the Worship of God as presently published be tested for three years.
2. That the Form of Government Committee be allowed to accumulate suggested changes to these documents until 1974, when it will report such changes to Synod to be considered and then sent down to the presbyteries for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard M. Gray  
Robert G. Rayburn  
Robert Reymond  
DeWitt Watson  
W. Harold Mare, Chairman

Recommendation 1 was moved, seconded and lost. Recommendation 2 was moved, seconded and lost.

There was a motion that Synod ask the Form of Government Committee to bring recommendations regarding the setting aside by judicatory the provisions of the Form of Government and report the same to the 151st Synod. This motion was seconded and carried.

The Stated Clerk reported on the Presbytery actions concerning the Form of Government changes that had been sent down to the presbyteries for their action. Nine presbyteries (Florida, Great Plains, Midwestern, New Jersey,

Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Pacific Northwest, Southern and Southwest) reported "yes" on the recommendation, and Synod then declared the change in the Form of Government to have been adopted. (See Minutes 1971, p. 15 on Overture B).

**SYNODICAL REPORT:** Mrs. Wilber Wallis gave the report and expanded on this orally. The report follows:

The 23rd annual meeting of the Women's Synodical Society was convened at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 13, 1972, in the conference lounge at Harvey Cedars, New Jersey. Approximately 100 women were present for the business meeting and luncheon which followed. Of these, 37 were voting delegates representing churches throughout eight of our national presbyteries. The remainder were hostesses and non-voting R.P. women, with one visiting O.P. member, Mrs. LeRoy Oliver. We were happy to have with us two of our great mothers in the church, Mrs. J. O. Buswell, Jr. and Mrs. Peter Stam.

Mrs. Jean Shaw, our retiring Vice President and Program Chairman, sketched the plans for the "Hospitality Corner" for each of the three morning sessions of prayer and seminar discussions, May 14 through 16: Monday, a survey of R.P. church history, led by Mrs. Betsy Clark George; Tuesday, "Tomorrow's Family in Tomorrow's Church," led by Mrs. Jean Shaw; and Wednesday, a critique of "Jesus Christ, Superstar," led by Mrs. Marie Wallis. The hostesses for these occasions were the ladies from our nearby New Jersey churches of Cherry Hill, Trenton, Seaside Heights, Bricktown, Williamstown and Ventnor.

This schedule of events along with Synodical minutes and reports, and Synod's docket, were enclosed in a portfolio and given to each, as they were greeted by our hostess, Mrs. Kenneth Horner, who was our Program Committee member in charge of arrangements.

In her treasurer's report, Mrs. Helen Hunt noted a balance of \$45.30 as of May 8, 1972. The offering for the day added \$110.00 to that balance. Synodical, through its executive committee voted the same day that \$50 of that amount be sent to the Audio-Visual Dept. of Covenant Theological Seminary for its many kind services.

Outstanding among the reports presented by the chairmen of our standing committees was the one submitted by Mrs. Ruth Buswell Noe, our retiring Education Committee chairman. Though she could not be present at Synodical, she sent along with her mimeographed report, the slide and tape program she had prepared during the past year entitled, "Our Stake in the Little Red Schoolhouse." This audio-visual summary of the work our churches are doing in the field of Christian day schools—from the nursery through high school—was presented to the women during the Saturday morning session.

The president's report was submitted in the form of an enlarged list of Audio-Visual Resources which you will receive with this report. We presently have 8 different programs available to any who write in, speci-

fyng a date on which they wish to use them. These range all the way from a history of our church to a narration of the discovery and significance of the Dead Sea Scrolls. With these programs we have been able to reach out beyond the bounds of our own denomination. But our first purpose, of course, is to serve our own church.

Each year in Synodical we elect or re-elect half of our executive committee. This was our concluding business, followed by the installation of these new officers, as the retiring Moderator of Synod, Chaplain John MacGregor brought a challenging message and closed our meeting with prayer.

With the new officers installed, the Synodical Executive Committee for the coming year is made up as follows:

President—Marie Wallis, St. Louis, Mo.

Vice-President—Marjorie Eckerson, Duanesburg, N.Y.

Recording Secretary—Shirley Reymond, St. Louis, Mo.

Treasurer—Helen Hunt, Indianapolis, Ind.

Corresponding Secretary—Bernice Killam, St. Louis, Mo.

Education Committee Chairman—Betsy George, Carbondale, Ill.

Fellowship Committee Chairman—Jane MacGregor, Lkt. Mtn., Tn.

Missions Chairman—Florence Malkus, Memphis, Tn.

Before and during the luncheon we heard testimonies from our NPM and WPM women, Mrs. Marian Weiford from Ballston Spa, New York, Grace Campbell from Kenya, East Africa, and Judy Fiol from India, as well as from two of our chaplains, wives.

Now, since the Word of God tells us that the virtuous woman “looketh well to the ways of her household,” we thought the Women’s Synodical could provide a service to our whole household of faith by providing three pages of instructions on the Minister’s Federal Income Tax responsibilities. We gave these sheets to the women, who are often the book-keepers in our households, but the Clerk of Synod thought the men should have these, too. So we are very happy to be able to supply this information.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Wallis, President

Women’s Synodical Society

May 1972

## AUDIO VISUAL RESOURCES

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(Watch *Bulletin News Supplement* for new programs)

The following Sound-Slide Programs are available through the courtesy of the audio-visual department of Covenant Theological Seminary and the Women’s Synodical Society of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod. No fee has been set for the use of these programs, but you are encouraged to take an offering to help cover the expenses involved in maintaining such a service.

A slide projector and a reel-to-reel tape recorder for 3¾ speed are the necessary equipment you will need. Send all requests to: Mrs. Wilber B. Wallis, Covenant Theological Seminary, 12330 Conway Road, St. Louis, MO 63131. Phone: (314) 822-1721.

*PROGRAM 1—Churches of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod.* A transcontinental tour of the local churches which make up the denomination, this series is narrated by Marie Wallis of St. Louis and includes music appropriate to the visual content of the program, as do all of the programs listed. The set is up-dated each year following Synod. (45 minutes)

*PROGRAM 2—History of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod.* Beginning with details of the Protestant Reformation in Scotland and England the program has encouraged many who have seen it to extend their knowledge of church history. Those interested in this program for October or November, in commemoration of Reformation Day, should send their request well in advance. (50 minutes)

*PROGRAM 3—Covenant Theological Seminary.* President Robert G. Rayburn takes the viewer on a guided tour of the suburban St. Louis campus of the denominational school, introducing students, faculty, and staff along the way. (35 minutes)

*PROGRAM 4—Land of the Bible: From Dan to Beersheba.* Vivid color shots of Jerusalem and other parts of contemporary Israel do what words cannot do, according to Dr. Wilber B. Wallis, who has studied in the land of the Bible on several occasions. He says: "Israel's variety and charm must be felt. Deeper than all is the spirit and industry of the gifted and devoted citizens of this teeming little land with its roots so deep in history and so full of promise and prophetic portent for the future of the entire world." Narrated by Mrs. Wallis. (45 minutes)

*PROGRAM 5—Miracle on Mount Zion.* Narrated by Dr. G. Douglas Young, founder of the American Institute in Jerusalem, this program tells the story of this work, of which Covenant Seminary is a part as an "Associated School." (35 minutes)

*PROGRAM 6—Miracle of the Ages.* The story of Messiah's redemptive work in pictures and song, dwelling on some of the dramatic aspects of that last week before the crucifixion. Especially appropriate for Christmas or Easter, it develops the thought of I Timothy 3:16. (45 minutes)

*PROGRAM 7—Our Stake in the Little Red School House.* This lively description of the involvement of our churches in Christian day schools is narrated by Mrs. Ted Noe of the Cono Christian School. (20 minutes)

*PROGRAM 8—The Dead Sea Scrolls.* Dr. R. Laird Harris, Professor of Old Testament at Covenant Theological Seminary, narrates the story

of the Dead Sea Scroll discoveries and points out their significance.  
(30 minutes)

## MINISTER'S FEDERAL INCOME TAX FORMS

I. FORM 1040-ES. Declaration of Estimated Tax for Individuals. Ministers are considered self-employed and must file a declaration of estimated tax. You pay your combined self-employment tax together with your estimated income tax in four installments. (There is a penalty for underpaying your tax during the year.)

II. SCHEDULE SE (FORM 1040). Computation of Social Security Self-Employment Tax. Legally you may be an employee; but for Social Security purposes, *you*, rather than your employer, pay the Social Security tax. You must include in your earnings from self-employment (but not for income tax purposes—see below, under III) the rental value of a parsonage or a housing allowance. Determine the dollar amount of the rental value of a parsonage (when you do not receive a housing allowance), and include this amount with any part of your compensation which is designated for utilities, furnishings, or running expenses in maintaining a home. This Parsonage Allowance should be entered in Part III of the 1971 Schedule SE on line 8 (f). Write in "Parsonage Allowance" where it says "Specify." All other income earned from your services as a minister should be entered on line 8 (d). *You decrease your self-employment income by the expenses you incur in performing your ministerial duties.* This net income should be carried over from line 26 of Schedule C. Then compute your self-employment tax.

III. SCHEDULE C (FORM 1040). Profit from Business or Profession. Only 3 lines are of concern to you on this form. Actually Schedule C-1 at the bottom will concern you more. On line 1 include all your professional income. Your parsonage Allowance is *excluded* from this income (even though it is counted for Social Security purposes). See the sheet on "TAX-FREE\*\* PARSONAGE ALLOWANCE." Then in the blanks at the bottom of the page (Sch. G-1) list your professional expenses. See "CHECKLIST OF DEDUCTIONS FOR MINISTERS." Total these expenses and enter total at line 24. Subtracting this amount from line 1, you will have your net profit which must then be entered on Schedule SE, Part III line 8 (d) and also on line 34 of Form 1040.

IV. SCHEDULE A (FORM 1040). Itemized Deductions. If you have contributed substantial amounts for non-professional or personal expenses such as church contributions, medical costs, interest, and taxes ("a minister who owns his home does not sacrifice tax deductions allowed to all homeowners, whether or not these are included in his parsonage allowance") it may pay you to itemize your deductions on Schedule A. Otherwise you can save time, and perhaps a few headaches, by taking the standard deduction which is more generous this year than last.

V. FORM 1040. U.S. Individual Income Tax Return. This is the Tax Return which every breadwinner must fill out, even though he may not be required to pay any taxes. You must include all other schedules (with this Form when you mail in your Return), with the possible exception of Schedule A. If you choose to take the standard "built in" deduction, it is not necessary for you to itemize your non-professional or personal deductions on Schedule A. But all the other Forms and Schedules listed here are required of a minister of the gospel.

\*\*This offers the greatest single source of tax savings to a minister, provided he meets the simple requirements of the tax law.

### TAX-FREE PARSONAGE ALLOWANCE OR COST OF HOME OWNERSHIP

Under Section 107 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, an ordained minister is allowed to *exclude* from taxable income the parsonage allowance paid to him as part of his compensation, to the extent the church-employer has designated it *in advance*. The law sets no ceiling or maximum for this allowance (except that it cannot be your entire compensation, and it must accurately reflect your costs in providing and maintaining a home). It is recommended that you give your church-employer at the beginning of your service an estimate of your needs, since official action designating the parsonage allowance must be taken in advance (in November or December for the following year). A sample form for estimating expenses follows:

*(hypothetical) Amounts*

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|--|------------|
| 1. Installment payments on PURCHASE OF HOUSE<br>(or RENT on leased premises) | \$1,800.00 |
| 2. Garage rental (if not included above)                                     | 180.00     |

**UTILITIES AND RUNNING EXPENSES**  
(incl "furnishings, appurtenances etc.):

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|---|-----------|--------|
| 3. UTILITIES  |           |        |
| Electricity   | \$ 200.00 |        |
| Telephone   | 215.00    |        |
| Water   | 55.00     |        |
| Heating   | 200.00    |        |
| Gas   | 150.00    |        |
| Total   | 820.00    | 820.00 |
| 4. INSURANCE, ASSESSMENTS, PERSONAL PROPERTY<br>TAX ON THE HOME, ETC. |           |        |
|   |           | 100.00 |
| 5. REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE  |           |        |
| Trash removal   | 50.00     |        |
| Termite control   | 50.00     |        |
| Maintenance policies  | 85.00     |        |

Rug cleaning	30.00	
Water conditioning	20.00	
Hardware supplies	150.00	
1/10 new roof	50.00	
Repair of typewriter	25.00	460.00
<b>6. FURNISHINGS</b>		
Minor household purchases	100.00	
1/10 office furniture	185.00	
1/10 automatic washer	20.00	
1/10 new refrigerator	25.00	
1/10 new rug, etc.	40.00	370.00
<b>7. SPECIAL EXPENSES (not occurring each year)</b>		<b>1,500.00</b>
Examples: Sewer installation, painting, driveway paving, airconditioning, etc. (The IRS interprets "home" to mean more than the bare walls of an apartment or a house. Home includes furnishings, appurtenances, such as a garage, sidewalks, front and back yards.)		
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED PARSONAGE ALLOWANCE</b>		<b>\$ 5,230.00</b>

All of the above is *excluded* from the minister's gross income. However, a minister who owns his home does not sacrifice tax *deductions* allowed to all homeowners, whether or not these are included in his parsonage allowance. For example, all taxpayers are permitted to deduct mortgage interest and taxes paid on personal residences

This information is taken from Minister's Federal Income Tax Guide (1970); the examples are prepared by Marie Wallis.

### CHECKLIST OF DEDUCTIONS FOR MINISTERS

You deduct your ministerial expenses on Schedule C, Form 1040. These expenses are deducted from your income even though you do not itemize your personal nonbusiness deductions and elect to take the standard deduction or the minimum standard deduction instead.

1. Unreimbursed expenses of operating your car when used in your profession.
2. Books you purchased wholly for use in your profession that have a short useful life. Books that have a long useful life must be depreciated.
3. Cards, notices, and stationery paid by you and essential to your profession.
4. Costs of attending meetings and conventions of your professional group.
5. Gifts required by your profession.
6. Membership fees paid to professional societies.
7. Magazines, journals, and periodicals necessary for your profession.

8. Traveling expenses when you are away from home on a trip that is essential to your profession.
9. Ministerial clothing not suitable for ordinary wear (i.e., pulpit or academic robes).
10. Armed Forces uniforms. If you are a Reservist in the Armed Forces you may deduct, to the extent not reimbursed, the cost of your uniform if you are restricted by military regulations from wearing it except while performing your duties as a Reservist. In computing the deduction, the cost must be reduced by any nontaxable uniform allowance you receive. (For further explanation, see text)\*

\*Minister's Federal Income Tax Guide, 1970 Edition, Meredith Press.

Mrs. Wallis introduced the new officers of the Women's Synodical, Shirley Reymond, Helen Hunt, Jane MacGregor and hostess Dorothy Horner.

**RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE:** Rev. Max Belz presented the following resolutions:

*Resolution 1.*

The 150th General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, in session May 12 through May 18, 1972, expresses thanks to the Harvey Cedars Bible Conference, Rev. Al Oldham and staff, for the warm welcome and Christian hospitality extended to commissioners and guests during the days of Synod. This was adopted by Synod.

*Resolution 2.*

The tax-supported schools of our nation are, in our opinion, bringing about the establishment of a secular, humanistic religion (man-centered rather than God-centered) in the hearts of American boys and girls. This tax-supported religion strikes at the root of social morality.

We concur with the recent statement of President Richard M. Nixon, "We seek an educational free market in the United States. Non-public schools give parents the opportunity to send their children to institutions of their own choosing. The non-public schools, moreover—whether Catholic, Protestant, Jewish or even non-sectarian—often add the dimension of spiritual values to the educational process. The children who attend these schools are offered a moral code by which to live. . . . The reasonable preference of parents in this matter should be respected by Governmental agencies."

We believe Christian parents will do well to seek some form of tax relief for those who choose private education for their children. Whether or not this relief is obtained, we urge the establishment of Christ-centered private schools to help provide what Mr. Nixon calls, "a vigorous, diverse system" to meet the challenge of the tax-supported humanistic religious establishment.

Resolution 2 was amended so that the third paragraph would read as follows:

We urge the establishment of Christ-centered private schools to help provide what Mr. Nixon calls, "a vigorous, diverse system" to meet the challenge of the tax-supported public education which fosters a humanistic religious establishment.

It was moved to refer the question of whether or not Synod should go on record as desiring "to seek some form of tax relief for the private education of their children" to a study committee to be appointed by the moderator, to report to the 151st General Synod. The previous question was moved. That was carried. The vote on the motion to refer to study committee passed.

The motion to adopt resolution 2, with paragraph 3 as amended was seconded. It was then moved that the whole matter be referred to the Study Committee. It was seconded. After the previous question had been called for and carried, the motion to refer passed.

#### *Resolution 3.*

The 150th General Synod of the RPC,ES, in session May 12 through May 18, 1972, expresses thanks to Miss Josephine Wilson of W.P.M. for her invaluable secretarial services in typing and mimeographing reports, minutes and various other papers for Synod. Synod adopted this resolution.

#### *Resolution 4.*

The 150th General Synod of the RPC,ES, in session May 12 through May 18, 1972, expresses its sincere gratitude to the host pastors, the Rev. Messers Kenneth Horner and Lynden Stewart, as well as to Mrs. George Pinner, who served as registrar, for their faithful work in preparing and arranging for this Synod. This resolution was adopted.

Synod then gave a rising vote of appreciation to the Moderator for the expeditious way in which he presided. The same was done for the Stated Clerk and his assistant.

The Moderator appointed Dr. Wallis to be the convener of the Judicial Commission.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:** This was taken up primarily with announcements.

#### **THE FINAL ROLL CALL:**

*Ministers present at last roll call:* G. H. Ackley, R. Adelman, W. H. Albany, D. Alexander, P. H. Alexander, L. Andres, W. O. Armes, A. M. Baldwin, W. S. Barker, M. Belz, L. D. Billiter, W. W. Blakely, G. L. Blomquist, G. R. Bragdon, W. J. Brooks, M. Brown, S. R. Brown, F. S. Campbell, J. P. Clark, W. A. Collins, R. H. Countess, R. L. Craggs, F. P. Crane, R. Dameron, C. H. Derk, E. C. DeVelde, F. S. Dyrness, S. Dyrness, E. R. Eckerson, R. Edmiston, T. H. Engstrom, D. Fannon, B. R. Fiol, W. H. Folds, Jr., M. C. Freeland, W.

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*Elders present at last roll call:* N. P. Barker (Lookout Mountain, TN), M. D. Barnes (Lookout Mountain, TN, Moderator), J. Belz (Lookout Mountain, TN, alternate), R. S. Birchler (Walker, IA), J. C. Brown (Newark, DE), L. Brown (Lakeland, FL), E. M. Cochran (Shannon Forest, Greenville, SC), M. Frangipane (Bricktown, NJ), W. D. Gibson (Enon Valley, PA), P. Goldsborough (Media, PA), W. G. Grantham (Wilmington Manor, DE), R. B. Gray (Pittsburgh, PA), H. W. Grup (Duanesburg, NY), W. F. Herd (Newark, DE), R. D. Jewell (Glenmore, Alberta, Canada), W. D. Laverell (1st RP, Indianapolis, IN), A. E. Loose (Lancaster, PA), E. L. Mobley (Savannah, GA), F. D. Peace (Huntsville, AL), C. A. Richardson (Willow Grove, PA), M. Scott (Cherry Hill, NJ, alternate), A. E. Shaffer (Darlington, PA), V. H. Smick (Evangelical, Baltimore, MD), P. Stam Jr. (Covenant, St. Louis, MO), R. A. Titmus (Pittsburgh, PA), W. G. Vannoy (Faith, Wilmington, DE).

**THE MINUTES OF THURSDAY'S SEDERUNT:** The minutes for the day were read by the Clerk and were approved as read.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 10:45 a.m., Synod adjourned. After the singing of Psalm 133, the Moderator declared:

“By virtue of the authority delegated to me, by the Church, let this Synod be dissolved, and I do hereby dissolve it, and require another Synod the members of which shall be chosen as provided in our Form of Government, to meet at Covenant College, Lookout Mountain, Tennessee, during the week of May 18-24, 1973.”

**BENEDICTION:** The Moderator closed the Synod meeting with prayer and then pronounced the benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul R. Gilchrist  
Stated Clerk of Synod

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19090. Rev. Richard W. Gray, D.D. Rev. David F. Fleece (Asst.)  
(215) 659-0554  
*Clerk of Session:* Leslie P. Cruise, 1045 Davis Grove Rd., Ambler, PA  
19002

**PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY:** Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia  
*Moderator:* Rev. C. LaRue Fritz  
*Stated Clerk:* Rev. Harwell Williamson

Trinity Presbyterian Church, 3728 Snouffer Rd., Columbus, Ohio  
43085. Rev. Richard L. Brinkley, Sr. (614) 889-8551  
*Clerk of Session:* Lee Kendrick, 3581 Karikal, Westerville, Ohio 43081

Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Box 5052, Poland, OH 44514.  
Rev. Donald F. Hicks. (216) 757-4608  
*Clerk of Session:* Dr. Charles McGowen, 16 Centennial Dr., Poland, OH  
44514.

Robinwood Presbyterian Church, 471 Mathews Road, Youngstown, Ohio  
44512. Rev. William R. Wolfgang. (216) 758-5628  
*Clerk of Session:* Walter E. Hooper, 731 Mapleridge Drive, Youngstown,  
OH 44512

Chapel Reformed Presbyterian Church, 3435 Dutch Ridge Road, Beaver,  
Pa. 15009. Rev. Harwell B. Williamson.  
*Clerk of Session:* Vernon Deffenbaugh, 3525 Dutch Ridge Road, Beaver,  
PA 15009

Christ Presbyterian Church of Chippewa, Blackhawk Road, Beaver Falls,  
Pa. 15010. Rev. Richard Rowe. (412) 843-1423

Reformed Presbyterian Church, Gen Del., Darlington, Pa. 16115.  
Rev. William J. Brooks. (412) 827-2928  
*Clerk of Session:* James McChesney, R.D. 1, New Galilee, PA 16141

Viewcrest Community Reformed Presbyterian Church, R.D. 1, Thomas-  
Linden Dr., Eighty Four, Pennsylvania 15330.

Bible Presbyterian Church, East Vine Street, Enon Valley, Pa. 16120.  
Rev. David Sutton. (412) 336-4447

Rocky Springs Reformed Presbyterian Church, R.D. 2, Box 372, Harris-  
ville, Pa. 16038. Rev. Daniel Fannon.  
*Clerk of Session:* James H. Depew, R.D. 4, Slippery Rock, PA 16057

Fairview Reformed Presbyterian Church, R.D. 1, Box 172, Industry,  
Pa. 15052. (412) 643-8104  
*Clerk of Session:* Herbert W. Nida, R.D. 1, Industry, PA 15052

Calvin Presbyterian Church, 63 Woodall Avenue, Irwin, Pa. 15642. Rev.  
Samuel S. Ward. (412) 863-1192  
*Clerk of Session:* Harold Harris, 115 Cherry Lane, Irwin, PA 15642

- Reformed Presbyterian Church, R.D. 4, Kittanning, Pa. 16201. Rev. C. LaRue Fritz. (412) 543-3702  
*Clerk of Session:* Joseph C. Wilson, R.D. 2, Worthington, PA 16262
- Christ Reformed Presbyterian Church, 334 East Moody Avenue, New Castle, Pa. 16101. Rev. David B. Hopkins.  
*Clerk of Session:* William R. McGuire, 117 Decker Drive, New Castle, PA 16105
- First Reformed Presbyterian Church, 12900 Franktown Road, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15235. Rev. Charles B. Holliday. (412) 793-7117

## ROCKY

- MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERY:* Nebraska, west of Highway 81, Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, Arizona  
*Moderator:* Rev. Leonard T. Van Horn  
*Stated Clerk:* Rev. Arthur Scott
- Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 2511 North Logan Ave., Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907. Rev. Arthur E. Scott. (303) 634-1365  
*Clerk of Session:* O. Edwin Peterson, 516 North Walnut, Colorado Springs, CO 80905
- Village Seven Presbyterian Church, 4050 So. Nonchalant Circle, Colorado Springs, CO 80917. Rev. Wm. B. Leonard, Jr. (303) 495-2741  
 or (303) 596-7199  
*Clerk of Session:* Gerald F. Hardcastle, 4310 Rocklawn Circle, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80915
- Covenant Reformed Presbyterian Church, West 44th and Ingalls, Wheat Ridge, Colorado 80033. Rev. James Singleton. (303) 424-8889
- Trinity Presbyterian Church, 2525 Avenue A, Kearney, Nebraska 68847.  
 Rev. James Perry. (308) 234-6091  
*Clerk of Session:* Ezeldon Dishman, 1203 E. 31st St., Kearney, NB 68847
- Westminster Reformed Presbyterian Church, 1530 Roosevelt Ave., (P.O. Box 932), Alamogordo, New Mexico 88310. Rev. Theodore W. Martin. (505) 437-8140  
*Clerk of Session:* E. Wayne Melton, 1738 Van Court, Alamogordo, NM 88310
- University Presbyterian Church, Wisconsin Ave. off Locust, (P.O. Box 3277), Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001. Rev. Leonard T. Van Horn. (505) 524-9492  
*Clerk of Session:* Francis M. Burke, Rt. 1, Box 1711, Las Cruces, NM 88001

**SOUTHEAST PRESBYTERY:** North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia  
(except Dade and Walker Counties)

*Moderator:* Rev. Wyatt H. Folds, Jr.

*Stated Clerk:* Rev. Richard D. Tevebaugh

Faith Presbyterian Church, 4719 LaRoche Ave., Savannah, Georgia 31404.

Rev. Everett C. DeVelde, Jr.

(912) 354-0037

*Clerk of Session:* Elton L. Mobley, 2044 Speir St., Savannah GA 31406

Second Street Presbyterian Church, 2nd and Hearne Sts., Albemarle, North  
Carolina 28001. Rev. David Alexander. (704) 982-6824

*Clerk of Session:* J. P. Mauldin, 602 W. Main St., Albemarle, NC 28001

Faith Presbyterian Church, 1805 East Seventh St., Charlotte, North  
Carolina 28204. Rev. Richard D. Tevebaugh. (704) 375-3501

*Clerk of Session:* O. K. Griffith, Rt. 3, Box D-337, Charlotte, NC 28208

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Cabarrus Ave., Concord, NC 28025.

Rev. Carl M. Sorenson, Stated Supply.

*Clerk of Session:* Harold Watkins, 191 Tournament Dr. SW, Concord,  
NC 28025

Lednum Street Presbyterian Church, 2403 Lednum St., Durham, North  
Carolina 27704. (919) 477-3171

*Clerk of Session:* J. C. Simpson

Meadowview Presbyterian Church, 204 Beethoven Avenue, Lexington,  
North Carolina 27292.

Reformed Presbyterian Church, 605 S. Main St. (P.O. Box 1047), Reids-  
ville, North Carolina 27320.

*Clerk of Session:* F. T. Durham, Rt. 1, Ruffin, NC 27326

Trinity Presbyterian Church, c/o 202 Wayne Dr., Wilmington, North Car-  
olina 28401. Rev. Wm. H. Albany. (919) 762-0542

*Clerk of Session:* Alan L. Brown, 121 Cheyenne Trail, Wilmington, NC  
28401

First Reformed Presbyterian Church, Bowen Community Center, P.O.

Box 3031, Anderson, SC 29621. Rev. James A. Wiest. (803) 224-1078

*Clerk of Session:* Joseph E. Whitfield, 218 Burson Rd., Anderson, SC  
29621

Reformed Presbyterian Church, c/o 15 Ophir Dr., Charleston, S.C. 29407.

Rev. Gerald P. Malkus.

(803) 766-7336

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 1118 St. Andrews Road, Columbia,  
South Carolina 29210. (803) 722-4825

*Clerk of Session:* Denis Yeo, 1901 Apple Valley Rd., Columbia, SC  
29210

Augusta Street Presbyterian Church, 705 Augusta St., Greenville, South  
Carolina 29605. Rev. Alfred Mersman. (803) 235-2642

*Clerk of Session:* W. H. McCall, 15 Forest Circle Drive, Greenville, SC  
29611

Mitchell Road Presbyterian Church, 207 Mitchell Rd., Greenville, South Carolina 29607. Rev. Thomas G. Cross, D.D. Mr. Robert Caldwell (Asst.) (803) 268-2218  
*Clerk of Session:* Arnold Jackson, 209 Merrifield Drive, Greenville, SC 29607.

Shannon Forest Presbyterian Church, Route 2, Garlington Rd., Greenville, South Carolina 29607. Rev. Clarence A. Lutz. (803) 288-0436  
*Clerk of Session:* Larry Moore, 7 Shelburne Rd., Greenville, SC 29607

Faith Presbyterian Church, 805 79th Ave., North, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29577. Rev. Wyatt H. Folds, Jr. (803) 449-7972  
*Clerk of Session:* Leon McLaurin, Arcodion Shores, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

Walnut Grove Presbyterian Church, Rt. 1, Box 314A, Roebuck, South Carolina 29376. Rev. Eulice D. Thomas. (803) 576-5296  
*Clerk of Session:* Paul Finch, Rt. 1, Roebuck, SC 29376

*SOUTHERN PRESBYTERY:* Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi  
Dade and Walker Counties of Georgia  
*Moderator:* Rev. George A. Anderson  
*Stated Clerk:* Mr. Charles F. Edgar, 1112  
Bessemer Rd., Huntsville, AL 35805

Covenant Presbyterian Church, Box 882, Shelton Road, Auburn, Alabama 36830. Rev. Robert H. Cox.  
*Clerk of Session:* Fred C. Schlich, 806 Cary Dr., Auburn, AL 36830

Reformed Presbyterian Church, 3100 University Dr., N.W., Huntsville, Alabama 35805. Rev. Paul H. Alexander. (205) 536-0065  
*Clerk of Session:* Duane V. Mattson, 3809 Jamestown Dr., Huntsville, AL 35805

Reformed Presbyterian Church, Avalon and Firestone Aves., Muscle Shoals, Alabama 35660. Rev. Harold A. Rapp. (205) 383-3251  
*Clerk of Session:* Charles F. Edgar, 1112 Bessemer Rd., Huntsville, AL 35805

Ryder Memorial Bible Presbyterian Church, Route 3, Bluff City, Tennessee 37618. Rev. Martin Freeland. (615) 538-8592  
*Clerk of Session:* W. M. Foster, Rt. 3, Bluff City, Tenn. 37618

First Reformed Presbyterian Church, Scenic Highway, Lookout Mountain, Tennessee 37350. Rev. Thomas F. Jones. (404) 831-8575  
*Clerk of Session:* Rudolph F. Schmidt, 5 Frontier Bluff, Lookout Mtn., TN 37350

First Reformed Presbyterian Church, 1625 W. Massey, P.O. Box 17651, Memphis, Tennessee 38117. Rev. Carl T. Grayson. (902) 684-2073  
*Clerk of Session:* Allen W. Aven, 2296 Ridgeland, Memphis, TN 38138

Reformed Presbyterian Church, c/o 3223 Spears Rd., Nashville, Tennessee  
37207. Rev. Ronald Shaw. (615) 226-1697  
*Clerk of Session:* John Schrader, 416 Bonnowood, Hermitage, TN 37076

**SOUTHWEST PRESBYTERY:** Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas  
*Moderator:* Elder D. J. Murphy, 215 E.  
Tennie St., Gainesville, TX 76240  
*Stated Clerk:* Rev. Thomas Waldecker

First Presbyterian Church, Box 156, Minco, Oklahoma 73059.  
Rev. Thomas Waldecker. (405) 352-4966  
*Clerk of Session:* W. A. Woodworth, Minco, OK 73059

Calvary Presbyterian Church, Rt. 3, East Peavine, Stilwell, Oklahoma  
74960. Rev. Hayes T. Henry.  
*Clerk of Session:* Robert L. Fields, Rt. 2, Lincoln, AR 72744

Christ Presbyterian Church, South New Haven Ave at E. 28th St. (P.O.  
Box 7013), Tulsa, OK 74114. Rev. Leroy E. Sheldon, Jr. (918)749-5102  
*Clerk of Session:* John W. Cleary, 6142 So. Victor Ave., Tulsa, OK  
74136

Westminster Reformed Presbyterian Church, 1810 Brown Trail, Bedford,  
Texas 76021. Rev. James J. Conrad. (817) 282-2338  
*Clerk of Session:* Frank J. Feister, 617 S. Hampshire, Saginaw, TX  
76079

Reformed Presbyterian Church of North Dallas, (no mail)  
Richardson, Dallas, Texas 75080. Rev. John H. Langford.  
*Clerk of Session:* Peter Vant Slot, 4416 Dalny, Dallas, TX 75214

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Denton and Scott Streets, Gainesville,  
Texas 76240. Rev. E. Kyle Thurman. (817) 665-5164  
(Sherwood Shores Chapel under this church).  
*Clerk of Session:* D. J. Murphy, 215 E. Tennie St., Gainesville, TX  
76240

**SAHARANPUR PRESBYTERY:** Northern India  
*Moderator:* Rev. Johnson Dean  
*Stated Clerk:* Rev. Ernest C. Singh

Reformed Presbyterian Church, Bhogpur, Dist. Dehra Dun, U.P. India.  
Rev. Johnson Dean.  
*Clerk of Session:* David G. Fiol, Children's Home, Bhogpur, Dist. Dehra  
Dun, U.P. India

Reformed Presbyterian Church, Dehra Dun, U.P. India.  
Rev. J. Cornelius.  
*Clerk of Session:* Mrs. C. H. Josaph, Zaccha Bachcha Kender, Dehra  
Dun, U.P. India

Reformed Presbyterian Church, Rishikul P.O., Deopura, Hardwar, U.P.,  
India. Rev. Ernest C. Singh.

*Clerk of Session:* S. F. Masih, QN 703/2/I BHEL, Ranipur, Hardwar,  
U.P. India

Reformed Presbyterian Church, 3 Civil Lines, Roorkee, U.P., India.

Rev. Jos. D. Hmar, Supply Pastor.

*Clerk of Session:* Stanley Ramsey, 2 Civil Lines, Roorkee, U.P., India

Leper Asylum Reformed Presbyterian Church, Chandar Puri, Ambartalab,  
Roorkee, U.P., India. Licentiate Eric Masih.

*Clerk of Session:* Stanley Ramsey

\*Not current statistics  
 \*\*Church has failed to  
 supply statistics  
 (M) Mission Church

	Communicant Members	Covenant Children	Families	Elders	Deacons	Trustees	Adult Baptism	Infant Baptism	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE			MEMBERSHIP CHANGES				FINANCES											
									Sunday A.M. Worship	Sunday P.M. Worship	Midweek Prayer Mtg.	Sunday School	Increase		Decrease		General Oper- ating Budget	Capital Improvements	Benevolences	Total Receipts	Manse Provided	Pension Plan	Hospitalization	Social Security			
<b>CALIFORNIA PRESBYTERY</b>																											
Reformed Presbyterian, Canoga Park, CA	61	60	35	3	6		1	6	115	65	23	89		7				1	19536		3614	23150	N	Y	Y	N	
Covenant Evangelical Presby. Chatsworth, CA	90	44	40	3	5		2		130	65	25	135		14	3	5		3	2	16789	4305	1148	22242	N	Y	Y	N
First Reformed Presbyterian Yucaipa, CA	15	4	9	2		2	1	1	35	12	12	20		1	10	4				8000	4500	425	12925	N	Y	Y	N
<i>Totals:</i>																											
Ministers	10																										
Churches	3	166	108	84	8	11	2	4	7	280	142	60	244	22	10	7	5	3	3	44325	8805	5187	58317				
Missions	0																										
<b>DELMARVA PRESBYTERY</b>																											
Evangelical Presbyterian Newark, DE	326	71	164	9	8			8	316	137	35	299	175	15		6	1			27618	20124	16795	64537	Y	Y	Y	Y
Bethany Reformed Presby., New Castle, DE	105	52	45	3	5			2	165	84	15	120	150	5		6	1		6	21924	6417	1790	30131	Y	Y	Y	Y
Manor Presbyterian, New Castle, DE	47	12	26		2				50	25	15	50	75	4	2		2	1	5	9462	980	786	11228	Y	Y	Y	N
Berea Presbyterian, Wilmington, DE	60	63	39	2	4				85	25	20	60	25			2	1			13673	3358	2701	19732	Y	Y	Y	Y
Faith Presbyterian, Wilmington, DE	531	73	308	8	8			7	333	134	59	260	200	13	7	8	3	7	25	58844	12060	33810	104714	Y	Y	Y	N
Evangelical Presbyterian, Annapolis, MD	174	92	62	5	10	1		1	275	125	30	180	77	3	9	2				48539	16550	6131	71220	N	N	N	N





*GREAT PLAINS PRESBYTERY*

Reformed Presbyterian, ** Dodge, ND																					
Alexander Reformed, * Underwood, ND	45		14	5	3		40	25	15	30			4329	704	1920	6953	Y	Y	N	Y	
Reformed Presbyterian, Lemmon, SD	60	15	35	4	4		35	4	4	25	10		2	4845	400	696	5941	Y	N	N	N
<i>Totals:</i>																					
Ministers	7																				
Churches	3	105	15	49	9	7		75	29	19	55	10		2	9174	1104	2616	12894			
Missions	0																				

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									Sunday A.M. Worship	Sunday P.M. Worship	Midweek Prayer Mtg.	Sunday School	Increase		Decrease			General Oper- ating Budget	Capital Improvements					Benevolences		
<b>MIDWESTERN PRESBYTERY</b>																										
Westminster Presbyterian, Alton, IL	62	23	38	3	4			45	15	10	35	60	2			2	10784	388	1032	12204	Y	Y	N	N		
Evangelical Presbyterian, Carbondale, IL (M)	22	14	11		3		2	55		10	50	38	1	1	3	2	8337	400	360	9097	Y	Y	N	N		
Grandcote Reformed Presby., Coulterville, IL	232	36	120	5	5	5	4	75	20	10	105	50	11	1	5	7	16828		7314	24143	Y	Y	N	Y		
Faith Bible Presbyterian, Cutler, IL	21	16	20	3			1	35	12	10	35	32				2	6505	668	752	7925	Y	N	N	N		
Westminster Presbyterian, Elgin, IL	108		55	6	2		1	120	46	8	91	93	2	5		1	15940	11227	7192	34359	Y	Y	N	Y		
Bethel Reformed Presbyterian, Sparta, IL	135		50	6	7	1	1	112	43	28	90	65	3		1	2	1	3	27573	1660	4530	33763	Y	Y	N	Y
First Bible Presbyterian, Indianapolis, IN	87	15	48	3	5		1	71	19	11	60	68	4	2	7	1	14	17680	1472	4703	23855	Y	Y	Y	Y	
First Reformed Presbyterian, Indianapolis, IN	65	20	35	3	1		1	65	20	9	45	40	6	8	7	1	18000	11000	5000	34000	Y	Y	N	N		
Westminster Presbyterian, Muncie, IN *	64	19	25	4	5			77	32	6	60	76					27615		11338	38953	Y	Y	Y	N		
Westminster Presbyterian, Vincennes, IN **{M)																										
Indian Creek Presbyterian, Cedar Rapids, IA (M)	17	12	5		3		1	21	12	16	16						6102		360	6462	Y	Y	N	N		
Bible Presbyterian, Walker, IA	53		30	4			1	70	60	60	65			3	4	1	4	7023	1026	12590	20639	Y	N	Y	Y	

Christ Reformed Presbyterian, Grand Rapids, MI	78	44	51	3	3		2	110	47	25	90	34							1	17420		2882	20302	Y	Y	N	N	
Bethel Presbyterian, Affton, MO	54	25	34	2	3			56		20	25	18	1	3		2				10849	2500	2419	15769	N	Y	N	Y	
Glen Ridge Reformed Presby., Chesterfield, MO	50	33	27	3	4		2	6	83	36	16		62	2	14	4				17587		2823	20410	Y	N	N	Y	
Lafayette Presbyterian, Ellisville, MO	28	19	13	2	2			2	46	32	7	39	31	1	2				10	10325		185	10510	Y	Y	Y	N	
Hazelwood Reformed Presbyterian, Hazelwood, MO	120	60	62	5	6			7	132	76	20	106	77	5	22		7	3		25831	2664	5947	34442	Y	Y	N	Y	
Covenant Presbyterian, St. Louis, MO	417	215	223	14	19		2	8	312	152	57	330	294	14	23	1	9	4	5	54563	15159	39025	108747	Y	Y	Y	N	
Olive Branch Presbyterian, St. Louis, MO	43	8	33	2		8	3	1	52	22	49	38	6		2					7999	702	2896	11597	Y	N	N	N	
Grace and Peace Fellowship, St. Louis, MO (M)	52	12	20	2		1	2	5	130		40	80			29		7			17140	454	1500	19094	N	N	N	N	
Bible Presbyterian, Merrill, WI	78	12	52	2	3	2	1		55	18	9	33	22	1	2		3			6789	255	4029	11073	Y	Y	N	N	
<b>Totals:</b>	1786	583	952	72	53	33	17	44	1722	662	382	1404	1098	55	93	30	57	22	4	40	330,890	49575	116877	497344				
Ministers	65																											
Churches	17	1695	545	916	70	53	26	15	36	1516	650	316	1258	1060	54	63	27	48	22	4	40	299,311	48721	144657	462691			
Missions	4	91	38	36	2		7	2	8	206	12	66	146	38	1	30	3	9		31579	854	2220	34653					

## AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

## MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

## FINANCES

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													Increase	Decrease																
<b>NEW JERSEY PRESBYTERY</b>																														
Calvary Presbyterian, Brick Town, NJ	48	14	29	2	4		2	60	20	15	80	96	7						1		2	16295		980	17275	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Covenant Presbyterian, Cherry Hill, NJ	238	23	85	8	3	8	2	9	258	131	30	221	120	18				8	7	3	28790		15210	44000	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Evangelical Presbyterian, Camden, NJ	85	8	48	8	2	3		1	89	35	20	102					2				18241	4800	14770	37811	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Seaside Bible Church, Seaside Heights, NJ	**																													
Evangelical Presbyterian, Trenton, NJ	70	19	40	6	3		1	82	45	18	83	85							7	2	29826		8319	38145	Y	Y	Y	N		
Ventnor Presbyterian, Ventnor, NJ	39	13	25	2	2	1	2	50	19	5	42	50									14	8809	152	1463	10424	Y	Y	N	Y	
Evangelical Presbyterian, Williamstown, NJ	40	22	27	2	2	2	1	55	20	10	70	93									9608		1150	10758	Y	Y	Y	N		
<b>Totals:</b>																														
Ministers	16																													
Churches	7	520	99	254	28	12	18	2	16	594	270	98	598	444	25	2	8	15	5	16	111569	4952	41892	158413						
Missions	0																													
<b>NORTHEAST PRESBYTERY</b>																														
Covenant Reformed Presbyterian, Newcastle, New Brunswick, Canada																														** (M)
Westminster Presbyterian, Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada	70		47	4	8		1	85	75	30	50	75	4							1	14334		6508	20842	Y	N	N	Y		
Presbyterian Church of Manchester, CT	110	50	67	5	6		1	3	140	40	15	88	128	10	7	2	2				19300	2000	5874	27174	Y	Y	N	N		

Grace Reformed Presbyterian, Ballston Spa, NY	15	20	9	3	1		1	5	45	25	16	60		2	4	1	1	2	10152	2700	232	13084	Y	N	Y	N		
Duanesburg Reformed Presby., Duanesburg, NY	128	78	44	3		6		2	125	50	20	112	150	8		2	1	2	18209	8612	8372	35193	Y	Y	N	Y		
Covenant Presbyterian, Johnstown, NY	86	14	22	4			1		50	10	6	46	40	1		2		1	12064		941	13005	N	N	N	N		
Westminster Presbyterian, Newburgh, NY	95	8	63	5	3	6	3	4	90	37	15	66	68	4	7		3	2	12	15780		4560	20340	Y	Y	Y	Y	
<i>Totals:</i>																												
Ministers	15																											
Churches	6	504	170	252	24	18	12	6	15	535	237	102	422	461	27	16	10	7	7	14	89389	13312	26487	129638				
Missions	1																											

*PACIFIC NORTHWEST PRESBYTERY*

Glenmore Reformed Presby., Calgary, Alberta, Canada	33	19	11	1			4	3	79	41	28		70	4	4				15683		2126	17809	N	Y	N	Y			
Crestwood Presbyterian, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada	55	10	30	4	3		1		80	18	10	48	72	5		1			13549		1911	15460	Y	N	N	Y			
First Reformed Presbyterian, Bellingham, WA	43	5	30	6	2				58	30	20	25						1	10739	5475	665	16879	N	N	Y	N			
Westminster Evangelical Presby., Everett, WA	331	66	180	10	7	8	1	9	175	65	25	105	75	7	3	4	3	8	32330		9027	41357	Y	Y	Y	Y			
Covenant Presbyterian, Issaquah, WA	99	45	42	5	7			1	85	17	10	70	93		3		1		15092		4964	20056	Y	Y	Y	Y			
Alderwood Evangelical Presby., Seattle, WA	34	14	26	4	3				45	12	8	48	115	4	1				9450	100	1822	11372	N	Y	N	N			
First Evangelical Presby., Seattle, WA	186	47	96	7	6			3	160	100	25	120	145	2				2	1	10	19186	10300	15445	44931	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Highline Reformed Presbyterian, Seattle, WA (M)						18		1	23	17	5	23							3763		1083	4846	N	N	Y	N			
Faith Evangelical Presby., Tacoma, WA	304	42	160	12	12		3	3	290	80	18	150	109	5				7	45473	500	10161	56134	N	N	Y	Y			
<i>Totals:</i>	1085	248	593	49	40	8	9	20	995	380	149	589	679	27	11	5	4	18	1	10	165265	16375	47204	22844					
Ministers	17																												
Churches	8	1085	248	575	49	40	8	9	19	972	363	144	566	679	27	11	5	4	18	1	10	161502	16375	46121	223998				
Missions	1			18				1	23	17	5	23							3763		1083	4846							



PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

Trinity Presbyterian, Columbus, OH	66	23	33	4	2		5	6	68	31	13	59	97	9	6		1	19	12163	3892	1556	17610	N	Y	N	Y	
Robinwood Reformed Presbyterian, Youngstown, OH	80		25	3	4	1	2	1	47	31	21	35				24	2	118	23910	19203	4882	47995	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Chapel Reformed Presbyterian, Beaver, PA	100	58	57	3		1		1	62	30	7	52	53	6				7	7933		437	8370	Y	N	Y	Y	
Christ Presbyterian, Beaver Falls, PA *	30	14	12	2					80	35	20	75							8847		1793	10640	N	Y		N	
Darlington Reformed Presby., Darlington, PA	125	28	61	5		6	1	1	60		9	40	26	6	1	1	1		8539		2639	11178	Y	Y	N	Y	
Viewcrest Community Reformed Presby., Eighty Four, PA *	88	35	44	3	3				110	45	20	80							13726		3275	17001	Y	N		Y	
Bible Presbyterian, Enon Valley, PA *	125	17	62	7								85							10687		4163	14850	Y	Y		Y	
Rocky Springs Reformed Presby., Harrisville, PA	39	29	17	3			2	48	20	10	47	20		5				5	6889	695	2742	10326	Y	Y	N	N	
Fairview Reformed Presbyterian, Industry, PA	81	24	43	6		5	3	1	65	20	6	60	70	3	2	1	1	2	10394	600	1840	12834	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Calvin Presbyterian, Irwin, PA	78	31	34	4	3		1	2	58	24	12	57	91	4	1		4		9861	4187	1126	15173	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Immanuel Presbyterian, Poland, OH (M)	175		81	4	8	8	2		135	70	30	90							4086	7381		11467	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Reformed Presbyterian, Kittanning, PA	69	43	30	3	2	2	2	2	90	40	17	62	53	7	7		1		12012	6071	2005	20088	N	N	N	Y	
Christ Reformed Presbyterian, New Castle, PA	47	14	15	5					50	30	12	40	35		4	3	3	6	12425		1392	13816	N	N	N	N	
First Reformed Presbyterian, Pittsburgh, PA	343	125	170	9	11	9	4	14	275	110	45	205	175	14	12	18	4		32768	3834	15139	51741	N	Y	Y	Y	
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>1446</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1148</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>174240</b>	<b>45863</b>	<b>42989</b>	<b>263089</b>				
Ministers	19																										
Churches	13	1271	441	603	57	25	24	18	30	1013	416	192	897	620	49	38	22	36	6	157	170154	38482	42989	251622			
Missions	1	175		81	4	8	8	2		135	70	30	90							4086	7381		11467				

	Communicant Members	Covenant Children	Families	Elders	Deacons	Trustees	Adult Baptism	Infant Baptism	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE				MEMBERSHIP CHANGES					FINANCES										
									Sunday A.M. Worship	Sunday P.M. Worship	Midweek Prayer Mtg.	Sunday School	Increase		Decrease			General Oper- ating Budget	Capital Improvements	Benevolences	Total Receipts	Manse Provided	Pension Plan	Hospitalization	Social Security			
<b>ROCKY MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERY</b>																												
Evangelical Presbyterian, Colorado Springs, CO	560	220	253	8	22	13	10	443	199	72	385	583	22	15	29	12	3	20	69683	15647	17490	102820	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Emmanuel Reformed Presby., Denver, CO	49	7	22	2	1			60			65								6240	1000	735	7975	N	N	N	N		
Covenant Reformed Presby., Wheat Ridge, CO	19	6	13	2	2			30	15	7	19	22							6325		562	6887	N	N	N	N		
Trinity Presbyterian, Kearney, NB	76	14	44	4	4		2	103	52	26	74	48	6		2				14085	667	7097	21849	Y	N	N	Y		
Westminster Reformed Presby., Alomogordo, NM	102	26	31	4		2	2	67		24	51		2		6	3			19297	9559	1299	30155	Y	Y	N	N		
University Presbyterian, Las Cruces, NM	192	76	95	5	4	4	10	7	188	100	62	120	129	15	5		10	2	5	23640		9198	32838	Y	Y	Y	Y	
<b>Totals:</b>																												
Ministers	10																											
Churches	6	998	349	458	25	33	6	25	19	891	366	191	714	782	45	20	35	27	5	25	139270	26873	36381	202524				
Missions	0																											
<b>SOUTHEAST PRESBYTERY</b>																												
Faith Presbyterian, Savannah, GA	62	3	37	3	3	3		5	85	65	22	65	62			3	1	15	18530	1000	2034	21564	Y	Y	N	N		
Second Street Presbyterian, Albemarle, NC	241	32	108	8	8	1	1	1	175	70	20	115	100	3	1		2		18120	7544	2840	28504	Y	N	N	Y		
Faith Presbyterian, Charlotte, NC	221	20	98	9	7		2	3	108	56	12	90	90	5	2	2	3	4	4	17571	1318	7260	26149	Y	Y		Y	



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									Sunday A.M. Worship	Sunday P.M. Worship	Midweek Prayer Mtg.	Sunday School	Increase		Decrease			General Oper- ating Budget	Capital Improvements	Benevolences	Total Receipts	Manse Provided	Pension Plan	Hospitalization	Social Security			
<b>SOUTHERN PRESBYTERY</b>																												
Covenant Presbyterian, Auburn, AL	24	9	13	3	3			25	15		16				2			9718	138	9856	N	N	N	Y				
Reformed Presbyterian, Huntsville, AL	166	94	62	7	6		5	2	175	85	20	121	300	19	10			11	46153	8427	54580	Y	Y	Y	Y			
Reformed Presbyterian, Muscle Shoals, AL (M)	22		8	1			1		25	9	6	23		1	1			1	6100	467	6567	Y	Y	N	N			
Ryder Memorial Bible Presby., Bluff City, TN	28	5	13	2		1	2	1	47	31	25	52	99	2	3				2952		527	3479	N	N	N	N		
First Reformed Presby., Lookout Mountain, TN	151	50	51	7	6		6	3	370	300	50	85	65	11	2	17	10		7	15287	12511	17806	45604	N	Y	Y	Y	
First Reformed Presbyterian, Memphis, TN	105	12	52	7	6	5	1		78	53	34	62		3	19		7	1	2	27048		2464	29512	Y	Y	Y	N	
Reformed Presbyterian, Nashville, TN	22	17	12	2	1			2	35	26				2	9				10250	1627	2006	13883	N	N	Y	Y		
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>117508</b>	<b>14138</b>	<b>31835</b>	<b>163481</b>					
Ministers	33																											
Churches	6	496	187	203	28	22	6	14	8	730	510	129	336	464	37	43	19	17	1	20	111408	14138	31368	156914				
Missions	1	22	8	1			1		25	9	6	23		1		1				6100		467	6567					
<b>SOUTHWEST PRESBYTERY</b>																												
Calvary Presbyterian, East Peavine, OK	19		8	2	2			23	38	30	55	55				1			3523	468	28	4020	N	N	N	N		
First Presbyterian, Minco, OK	74	11	42	4	2		3		52	34	22	55	30	5		3	2		13572	598	3257	17427	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Christ Presbyterian, Tulsa, OK	50	7	20	3			1		50		19	35	21	2	7				2	13535	8243	2410	24188		N	N	N	

Westminster Reformed Presby., Bedford, TX	46	10	24	2			3	44	24	10	33	76	8	2			11760	520	12280	N	Y	N	N		
Town North Presbyterian, Dallas, TX	41	9	17	3	3			57		8	45						15640	2713	18353	Y	N	N	Y		
Westminster Presbyterian, Gainesville, TX	198	24	110	6	4		6	4	200	73	41	101	110	6	15	2	2	20000	20000	4695	44695	Y	N	Y	N
Sherwood Shores Chapel, Sherwood Shores, TX (M)	(Statistics included with Gainesville church)																								

**Totals:**

Ministers	11																						
Churches	6	428	61	221	20	11	10	7	426	169	130	324	292	21	22	5	3	4	2	78030	29309	13623	120963
Missions	1																						

**SAHARANPUR PRESBYTERY**

Reformed Presbyterian, Bhogpur, U.P., India	71		6	3			1	135			125													N	N	N	N	
Reformed Presbyterian, Dehra Dun, U.P. India	64	35	28	3		3	1	30		10	16		3												Y	N	N	N
Reformed Presbyterian, Hardwar, U.P., India	30	29	17	2			2		35		18		6		1										Y	N	N	N
Leper Asylum Presby., Roorkee, U.P. India	18			1			2	20																	N	N	N	N
Reformed Presbyterian, Roorkee, U.P. India	73	45	26	2			3	70			20		1												N	N	N	N

**Totals:**

Ministers	9																										
Churches	5	256	109	77	11		3	9	255	35	10	179	10												1	5	4
Missions	0																										

## SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

				AVERAGE ATTENDANCE										MEMBERSHIP CHANGES						FINANCES								
	Communicant Members	Covenant Children	Families	Elders	Deacons	Trustees	Adult Baptism	Infant Baptism	Sunday A.M. Worship	Sunday P.M. Worship	Midweek Prayer Mtg.	Sunday School	Increase			Decrease			General Oper- ating Budget	Capital Improvements	Benevolences	Total Receipts						
													D. V. B. S.	Profession of Faith	Reaffirmation	Transfer of Letter	Letter of Dismissal	Death					Ordination Dropped from Roll					
California	10	3	0	166	108	84	8	11	2	4	7	280	142	60	244	22	10	7	5	3	3	44325	8805	5187	58317			
Delmarva	28	15	0	2271	570	1162	72	73	14	10	39	2280	916	355	1830	1135	56	92	36	15	23	42	362299	173027	108893	644219		
Florida	19	9	0	1007	155	520	47	36	3	7	12	938	353	201	646	577	39	40	26	35	16	1	24	163923	31900	45034	240857	
Great Plains	7	3	0	105	15	49	9	7				75	29	19	55	10						2		9174	1104	2616	12894	
Midwestern	65	17	4	1786	583	952	72	53	33	17	44	1722	662	382	1404	1098	55	93	30	57	22	4	40	330890	49575	116877	497344	
New Jersey	16	7	0	520	99	254	28	12	18	2	16	594	270	98	598	444	25	2	8	15	5	16	111569	4952	41892	158413		
Northeast	15	6	1	504	170	252	24	18	12	6	15	535	237	102	422	461	27	16	10	7	7	14	89839	13312	26487	129638		
Pacific Northwest	17	8	1	1085	248	593	49	40	8	9	20	995	380	149	589	679	27	11	5	4	18	1	10	165265	16375	47204	228844	
Philadelphia	40	13	0	1882	873	846	76	44	30	21	35	1764	687	256	1453	882	83	54	18	45	13	1	26	281874	114731	82417	479022	
Pittsburgh	19	13	1	1446	441	684	61	33	32	20	30	1148	486	222	987	620	49	38	22	36	6	157	174240	45863	42989	263089		
Rocky Mountain	10	6	0	998	349	458	25	33	6	25	19	891	366	191	714	782	45	20	35	27	5	25	139270	26873	36381	202524		
Southeast	29	15	1	1962	300	888	68	62	5	18	29	1595	928	465	1202	872	70	67	85	35	18	1	49	273973	104848	83954	462775	
Southern	33	6	1	518	187	211	29	22	6	15	8	755	519	135	359	464	38	43	20	17	1	21	117508	14138	31835	163481		
Southwest	11	6	1	428	61	221	20	11		10	7	426	169	130	324	292	21	22	5	3	4	2		78030	29309	13623	120963	
Saharanpur	9	5	0	256	109	77	11			3	9	255	35	10	179													
<b>TOTALS:</b>																												
CANADA	5*	3	1	158	29	138	9	11		5	4	244	134	68	98	217	13	4	1					43566		10545	54111	
INDIA	9	5	0	256	109	77	11					255	35	10	179		10						1	5	4			
USA	314	124	9	14520	4130	7036	579	444	169	162	286	13754	6010	2697	10729	8099	544	504	306	301	139	11	429	2298613	634812	674844	3608269	
TOTAL	328	132	10	14934	4268	7251	599	455	169	167	290	14253	6179	2775	11006	8316	567	508	307	301	141	16	433	2342179	634812	685389	3662380	

\*Pastors serving in Canada.

### TOTAL MEMBERSHIP:

Ministers	328
Communicants	14934
	<u>15262</u>
Covenant	4268
	<u>19530</u>

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### PSALM 133

Behold how good a thing it is,  
And how becoming well,  
Together such as brethren are  
In unity to dwell.

Like precious ointment on the head,  
That down the beard did flow,  
Even Aaron's beard, and to the skirts  
Did of his garments go.

As Hermon's, the dew that doth  
On Zion's hill descend;  
Jehovah blessing there commands,  
Life that shall never end.

*(Tune: Manoah)*

