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MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS AND RELIGIOUS MEETINGS OF THE 1990 SESSION JULY 28, 1990 THROUGH AUGUST 11, 1990

INTRODUCTION

The 1990 Session surely was a sign that we are approaching the time of the restitution of all things and the purification of the church. Both world and church events reveal that time is running out.

Many of the issues discussed at the Session were, to say the least, challenging, and at times controversial. Weighty decisions were made that will decide the direction of God's work in this crucial hour of our world.

All in all, though, the grace of God was sufficient. His will and blessings were manifested as another Session was recorded in the ledger of Heaven, and the annals of history.

SABBATH, JULY 28, 1990

The big event, the long-expected event, the auspicious event was finally occuring for the General Association of Davidian Seventh Day Adventists at Mt. Carmel Center. It convened with an inspiring singspiration session. We thanked God heartily for His guidance through the past years and for bringing us together once more for this propitious event.

After the vibrant and hearty song service, conducted by Brother P. Nosworthy (New York), the chairman, Brother R. Williams (California), welcomed the

delegates from the east, west, north, and south. Brethren came from: Jamaica, Connecticut, Philadelphia, Florida, California, St. Lucia, Martinique, New York, Tennessee, England, Georgia, Massachusetts, Barbados, Trinidad, New Jersey and South Carolina. The theme for this Session was "Clearing the King's Highway".

Brother N. Archer (California) gave an encouraging world-field report. Brothers Felupeai and Campbell then rendered a touching message in song afterwhich Brother D. McCoy (New York) conducted a thought-provoking Sabbath School lesson study.

The main feature of the day was the sermon which was delivered by Brother G. Green (S. Carolina). The subject was in keeping with the theme. He stressed that among us are antitypical doubters, complainers, office seekers and faultfinders, admitting one great truth one day and forgetting it the next day, yet expecting to be sealed with the Seal of God and to stand with the lamb on Mt. Zion! He also emphasized that the very ones guilty of such sins are those who are most capable and who should know better, however, they were the biggest hindrance to the work.

After an appetizing luncheon, the meeting reconvened at 3:00 p.m. with song service by Brother J. Fepuleai. Sister D. Chambers (England) then fed the little lambs.

An informative lecture was then given by

Sister C. Horne (California), on the subject of Health Reform, during which we were forcibly reminded that "Health is Wealth".

Testimony time, conducted by Sister T. Burke (New York), was interspersed with duets, solos and choral pieces. Our hearts were blessed as we heard how the Lord had providentially blessed his people during the past years.

Brother T. Davis climaxed the day with a dynamic vesper thought. He emphasized that many of us who prophesied in the name of the Lord and who now teach the Rod message will hear from the Lord, "I never knew you, depart from me ye that work iniquity." He reminded us that not until our own hearts are humbled and refined and made tender by the grace of Christ will we be sealed by the angels of God.

Thus began the 1990 Session.

BUSINESS MEETING - SUNDAY, JULY 29

A rousing song service was conducted by Brother E. Stanford (Mt. Carmel Center), afterwhich an inspiring thought for prayer was given by Brother A. Hibbert (Mt. Carmel Center), taken from 1 Ans. 67,69. It reminded us that it still is the devil's supreme effort at this time to cause time to be wasted and the work to go undone. Hence, we were challenged to arouse ourselves in overcoming this deadly device of the enemy.

Preliminaries:

Brother A. Hibbert stated that the vice president and the secretary of the Asssociation would act as chairman and secretary respectively until the officers were elected to preside at the Session.

Roll Call:

Members present: delegates, ministers, and Bible workers.

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40. A. Hibbert **
41. J. Seraphin **
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42. S. Smith **
43. J. Gully *
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(Delegate-***, Bible Worker-*, Minister-**. There were 43 voting members).

Card-holders present:

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Officers elected for the Session:

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1.	Chairman:	Р.	Smith
2.	Secretary:	Μ.	McCoy
3.	Sgt-At- Arms:	N.	Archer

WORLD FIELD REPORT:

Brother A. Hibbert continued by taking us on a short trip throughout the world field. Overall, we observed the rapid growth of God's work all around the world. God is truly prospering and blessing His cause.

The report covered the following aspects of the cause--the work along with the various countries where the message is experiencing new or rapid growth, or where specific changes have occurred.

<u>Universal Publishing Association</u> Yucaipa, <u>California:</u>

Sister F. Frye gave us a glimpse of the splendid work done since August 1988 - January 1990. The following was reported:

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Tract 5	18,000
GCS	15,000
WHR	30,000
Tract 2	10,000
Tract 6	6,000
SRp	6,000
SS Lessons	36,000
various TGs	20,000/year
SOP compilations	

The budget for Yucaipa is \$919.00 per week which maintains the entire oper-

ation. Eight-hundred and forty (840) persons are enrolled in the Bible correspondence course. At least 3,000 of each tract has been printed, and a total of 50,000 copies of literature were printed for the General Conference Session of 1990.

The missionary reports covered the following areas: England, Puerto Rico, Venezuela, Holland, Africa, Canada, Philippines, Martinique, South America, India, France, Indonesia, Trinidad, France, Jamaica and the U.S.A. It was particularly noted that the work in the Far East and Africa is growing very rapidly. There are still hundreds in Africa who are corresponding with the office but have not yet been organized into groups. In the Philippines, the number of believers has exceeded well over a thousand. Brother T. Davis is scheduled to make another trip to both the Philippines and Indonesia, as well as other Far Eastern countries.

Tape Ministry

The Tape Ministry has distributed over 4,000 tapes at the General Conference Session to various parts of the world.

Thus ended our long but well-spent trip and our hearts were truly blessed in observing the evidences that the Lord is truly leading and blessing His work.

The Session then took a short break. On returning we had a short reading taken from 4 Ans. 90, and prayer was offered by Brother C. Escoffery.

Treasurer's Report

Sister V. Rose gave a very favorable financial report. We have seen where the Association's income has increased by over 23 percent while the total expenditure has increased by over 21 percent. Thus, We have a total increase of over one and one half percent over 1989. She then closed with a reading from 1502:3 and GW:224.

Headquarters

Brother A. Hibbert informed us that approximately 1 acre (2 parcels) of property was sold because of encroachments by two of our neighbors.

The siding for the main building was done last year by just a few dedicated brethren. A foundation and floor of a dining area was erected and hopefully, by God's grace, be finished in the near future. The said building would also provide family housing above the dining area.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch. After lunch we returned with a prayer thought given by Brother P. Smith. Other preliminaries were discussed and the meeting closed for the remainder of the afternoon.

Indeed, "Clearing the King's Highway" is a great challenge. But by the Lord's grace, we can meet it and be ready when the King shall return.

BUSINESS MEETING - MONDAY, JULY 30

The Session reconvened promptly at 8:00 a.m. Our hearts rejoiced as we observed that everyone was eager to continue. After the song service, conducted by Sister M. Wright, Brother P. Smith prepared our hearts for prayer by reading from 11 SC4:8 which instructed us that as workers for the King, we should accomplish all that God requires of us if we would yield to that still small voice of God.

The business discussions resumed with the repealing and amending of some of the by-laws made at the past Session. Again the Spirit of the Lord prevailed and all things were done decently and in order. Thus ended another eventful day.

BUSINESS MEETING - TUESDAY, JULY 31

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow." Following a restful night, the

delegates reassembled for a new day of deliberations. Song service was conducted by Brother P. Smith who also read from 5T:274, as a prayer thought. We prayed that the sweet Holy Spirit would take posession of each waiting heart that we would not hinder the work which God was doing.

A request was made that the Session investigate a previous decision made by the council.

The remainder of the day was spent amending by-laws. Another eventful day passed.

BUSINESS MEETING - WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1

"Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love!" Praise God, another splendid day was granted to us in the furtherance of the Lord's work. Once again the prayer thought, taken from 5T:277, was read by the chairman. It reminded us that we must use our talents to the glory of God instead of debasing them in sordid worldly interest.

We then focussed our attention on Brother Victor's accident. We discussed how the Lord would have us assist him. The business discussion continued with an encouraging presentation on the tape and video ministry by Brother E. Gully. Funds were requested to facilitate a smoother operation in this ministry. The Session then mandated the incoming council to formulate strategies to boost and implement a full audio and video ministry by next session so that tangible results would be fully realized.

We resumed after lunch with a prayer thought and prayer by the chairman. We then engaged in a lengthy climactic and perplexing discussion on the relocation of the headquarters.

A prayer meeting was planned for that evening to ask the Lord for guidance in deciding where His headquarters should be located. This long day's work was finally

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BUSINESS MEETING - THURSDAY, AUGUST 2

"O what a wonderful, wonderful day, day we will never forget!" Surely this day was a blessed one in which we started with the usual song service, and prayer thought from 5T:158, led out by the chairman.

The business discussion continued with the relocation of the Headquarters, however by the guidance of the Holy Spirit and through the casting of ballots, the Session voted for the Headquarters to remain at Mountaindale.

We briefly discussed the transferring of the printing press from California to New York. It was noted however, that if the cost of transferring the printing from California to New York is as great as buying a new one, then a new press should be purchased for Headquarters.

Returning from lunch, we had a prayer thought, prayed and the discussions continued.

The most solemn event of the Session began with a thought from TM:321. We were reminded that men should be appointed in the interest of the cause, who are unselfish and who honor and fear God. After prayer the nomination of persons for the Executive Council began.

Heaven came down and glory filled our souls as we adjourned the meeting for the day.

BUSINESS MEETING - FRIDAY, AUGUST 3

Let there be love shared among us! Oh how we needed this love to further the Lord's work as our hearts bowed in gratitude to God as Brother P. Smith petitioned the throne of grace.

The chairman read from 5T:617,619, on the selection of leaders and after

ballots were cast for each position, prayers were offered to the Lord.

ELECTED OFFICERS:

Vice-President T. Harrison

Treasurer V. Rose

Secretary F. Frye

Council Members
D. McCoy

R. Williams
J. Seraphin
C. Escoffery

DIRECTORS:

Ministerial Director A. Hibbert

Education Director

E. Stanford

Benevolent Director G. Kerr

Medical Director C. Horne

<u>Independent Director</u> C. Escoffery

SABBATH, AUGUST 4

Another six days' work is done, another Sabbath is begun! Truly the Sabbath was a blessing as we enjoyed the Sabbath program chaired by Brother E. Stanford. We had an inspiring song service conducted by Brother J. Fepuleai. The opening remarks were given by the chairman, afterwhich Brother E. Stanford gave a heartwarming mission report. Our thought for prayer was given by Sister J. Wilcutt. Our hearts were blessed with special

music by Brothers J. Fepuleai and L. Campbell. We had a most interesting Sabbath School study presented by Brother M. Wallace, continuing in line with the theme. He admonished us to continue clearing the King's highway. Brother C. Escoffery watered our souls with the sermon for the hour. His topic was, "Where Do We Go From Here?" (After the 1990 Session).

After enjoying our spiritual food so immensely, it was only appropriate to have our physical food which was deliciously prepared.

At 3:00 p.m. we returned for the second portion of our worship where Brother L. Wilson conducted the song service. Brother B. Brown blessed us with a thought for prayer. Immediately after, Sister D. Chambers fed the children with spiritual food which encouraged them to obey the word of God regardless of how strong the temptations of the world seemed.

Sister C. Thompson gave a presentation on Health Reform. It was timely and very interesting. She convinced us that Satan is doing everything possible to bring diseases on our bodies through the food we eat. We should be very careful as health reformers to read labels before purchasing any foods.

Following a short break it was time for the dedication of the 1990-1992 Executive Council. Brother A. Hibbert presented the brethren before our heavenly Father entreating Him to give them wisdom and counsel in dealing with the affairs of His people. Supper then followed, afterwhich we came together and concluded the day's activities with vesper by Brother T. Archer.

BUSINESS MEETING - SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

After a restful night, we experienced a sweet spirit among us as we entered into

our usual prayer thought and prayer.

The first item for discussion was on financial support for Davidian children and youth who attend the S.D.A. church schools. The California Board presented the following outlined program as criteria for recommended students:

Major Points:

- The child chosen from the California area is to be sponsored by the California group who shall collect funds to assist this one child.
- 2. She must maintain at least a "C" average.
- The parents must be first and second tithe payers.
- 4. The parents must be card holders.
- Family income must be a factor.
- 6. The child should not be wayward.
- This financial assistance is only for tuition; the parents are responsible for other fees, eg. books, registration.
- 8. The type of school should be S.D.A.
- 9. The age limit is 16 years.

Conclusion:

The chairman of this program, however, should prepare guidelines to be presented to the Education Department so that all local areas can implement the program in the world field.

Next was the discussion of "The Restoration of Rest Homes and Medical Center". The Association should assist Sister Horne with her health center as much as possible. The Association is in need of establishing its own rest home and medical center.

On returning from lunch, we continued with a prayer thought and invited God's presence once more to reign within our meetings.

The next item for discussion was the granting of cards to those in questionable

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Thus concluded a well spent day.

BUSINESS MEETING - MONDAY, AUGUST 6

Praise be to God in heaven above, He sent us another day in His infinite love. We bowed in humble acknowledgement of his mercies.

The Wanda Blum booklets were discussed. The Session objected to printing them. The remainder of the morning was spent on the subject of redesigning the Rod literature covers and also taking out portions from the Rod books and publishing them. What was the conclusion?

Oh how happy we were that the controversial business of the Session was concluded as we embarked upon the second half of the program--the religious aspect.

During this segment, the major question for discussion was "When did the War(s) of Revelation 12 take place?

Conclusion:

- There was a conflict before creation where Satan was expelled.
- Before Christ was born, there was another eruption.
- 3. There is one great war.

The premise of Exeklel 47 was then discussed. It was concluded that the prophecy of Ezeklel 47 is to be applied to two periods:

1. The S.O.A. church (En-gedi)

 The time of the House of David, the Loud Cry at which time the fountain of Zechariah 13 will be opened for sin and uncleanness.

BUSINESS MEETING - TUESDAY, AUGUST 7

Hear the Rod, the Saviour crieth, hear it

speak the words of truth! Brother P. Smith read 1 TG:14.23 for a prayer thought, afterwhich we petitioned the throne of grace.

Our first discussion for the day was the special resurrection. <u>Conclusion</u>: This takes place during probationary time.

The question about who is the David in the Kingdom was discussed. The Session concurred that this is to be Brother Houteff.

Our last items for discussion were "Government Structure" and Teaching Only That Which Is Published." Conclusions: The BRC will investigate these topics.

BUSINESS MEETING - THURSDAY, AUGUST 9

At 8:30 a.m. the Session reconvened promptly with song service and prayer by the chairman.

The topic for discussion was contributing financially on the Sabbath to S.D.A. churches.

Next for discussion was "Kneeling in the Sanctuary". It was concluded that each individual do as the Holy Spirit impresses.

Ministerial licenses were granted to:

T. Davis (New York)
D. McCoy (New York)
R. Williams (California)
T. Paul (St. Lucia)
N. Williams (Jamaica)

Upon receiving recommendations from their respective Board of Directors, each will be granted Ministerial Licenses.

Officers elected for the Biblical Research Committee:

N. Archer * Y. Gully N. McCallum

M. Wallace R. Shortt

I. Muwonge P. Nosworthy * CHAIRMAN

G. Green R. Roberts

Officers for the Religious Liberty Committee:

- S. Smith
- C. Escoffery
- T. Davis
- J. Gully
- P. Nosworthy *
- L. Wilson
- E. Stanford

* CHAIRMAN

It was decided that all remaining issues be referred to the new council as the Session ended on a high note and with thanksgiving to God.

BUSINESS MEETING - FRIDAY, AUGUST 10

To bring our eventfully memorable 1990 Session to a close, we received a very interesting study on the Assyrian Confederacy. With the present crisis in the Middle East, it was indeed a most timely subject, reminding us that most profound prophecies are unfolding before our very eyes.

Brother A. Hibbert, the teacher, carefully pointed out that the English-speaking world, especially the U.S.A. is depicted by the term Assyria (antitypical Assyria). We also learned that World War II is still unfinished and that it will be terribly worse when the war resumes. In fact, it came out that the greatest of all wars will be fought in the Holy Land (2 TG:41.18).

More importantly, the Rod forewarned that the Confederacy of nations formed around this time to oppose Communism and win the war, would actually fail by God's will and providence. Also, Assyria would be beaten down. We, the only people enlightened by these prophecies are further charged to oppose this Confederacy in the words, "Say ye not a Confederacy" to all those desiring it. We learned, also that although Jacob's

time of trouble would result from protesting against this confederacy, we must still fearlessly perform our duty.

The bright side of the study brought out that God's church is to be liberated during Assyria's fall (14 Tr:13-15; 18-22). Praise the Lord indeed! Brother/Sister, the entire heavenly universe is ready to do its part on behalf of God's people; Satan is already intensely and diabolically working with his entire horde of demons: the stage is already set; we are truly on the verge of a "stupendous crisis". The only problem is that we the people of God, have not yet renounced all our idols. Brother/Sister, please let's immediately cast them away at this belated 11th hour. Thus, instead of perishing, we shall be among that "great and strong people", "men wondered at" -- that mighty army of 144,000.

Yes, beloved brethren, shall we not look up as the great and dreadful day of the Lord rushes upon us and as our redemption draweth nigh? May God help us to do so.

SABBATH, AUGUST 11

Hail peaceful day, divinely blest! Indeed this is the day that the Lord has blessed was brought forcibly to our minds through a dynamic song service led by Brother L. Wilson. After remarks given by the chairman, Brother E. Stanford gave an inspiring mission report. Brother F. David then gave the thought for prayer. Brother A. Hibbert presented a most soul-stirring lesson study--a continuation of the "Confederacy" which awakened us from our slumber realizing that our redemption draweth nigh. As we approached noon, Brother T. Harrison delivered the message of the hour, a soul-searching presentation, "Watch Words" for all Davidians after the 1990 Session: Watch, Pray, and Work.

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Brother J. Fepulcai. We sang with the spirit, understanding that indeed God is love. Once again the children in our midst were recognized as Sister Debbie Chambers conducted the children's corner with songs and recitations. This was followed by a duet in gratitude to God.

Sister M. McCallum gave a presentation on dress reform followed by Sister J. Willoughby, who gave an informative lecture on the subject of health reform. We were reminded that indeed, "Health is Wealth." After a short break, Brother S. Smith presented the newly chosen ministers before our heavenly Father, entreating him to give them wisdom and knowledge to obey the dictates of the will of God.

The congregation participated in a question and answer discussion, followed by testimonies and songs.

We had a short break for supper, then Brother J. Tsaku led us in vesper at which time we reflected on the day's and week's activities. Thus ended another long but eventful and soulchallenging Session. Truly the Lord in Zion reigneth!

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EXERCISE - INDISPENSABLE TO HEALTH

ELLEN G. WHITE

Attention to health is one of our most important duties. We owe this to ourselves, to society, and to God. Young men and young women are proverbially careless in regard to their health...

Exercise is indispensable to the health of every organ. If one set of muscles is used to the neglect of others, the living

machinery is not being worked intelligently.

When physical exercise is taken, the circulation is quickened. The heart receives blood faster and sends it to the lungs faster. The lungs work more vigorously, furnishing a greater amount of blood, which is sent with stronger power through the entire being. Exercise gives new life and strength to every part of the body.

The nerves gain or lose strength in accordance with the way in which they are treated. If used too long and too severely, they are overtaxed and weakened. If used properly, they gain strength.

In order to have health, equilibrium of action must be maintained. The mind must harmonize with this....If physical exercise is regarded as drudgery, if the mind takes no interest in the exercise of the different parts of the body [the benefits will not be realized]. The mind must be interested in exercise of the muscles.

In the education of the youth, physical exercise must be combined with mental taxation.

Perfect obedience to God's commands calls for conformity to the laws of the being....

The time spent in physical exercise is not lost. The student who is constantly poring over his books, while he takes but little exercise in the open air, does himself an injury. A proportionate exercise of the various organs and faculties of the body is essential to the best work of each. When the brain is constantly taxed while the other organs are left inactive, there is a loss of physical and mental strength. The physical powers are robbed of their healthy tone, the mind loses its freshness and vigor, and a morbid excitability is the result.

In order for men and women to have well-balanced minds, all the powers of the being should be called into use and developed....

-Reflecting Christ, p. 147.

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ARTICLE I - HEADQUARTERS

Section I - Name

(a) This Association shall be hereafter known as: The General Association of Davidian Seventh Day Adventists - Mt. Carmel, and abbreviated throughout these by-laws as GA of D.S.D.A. - MC. 3 Ans. 64.

Section II - Function

(a) The Headquarters is to carry forward the work as depicted by the Shepherd's Rod, in all points, i.e., the distribution of literature, fellowship cards, and setting up of the Davidic-Levitical Institute; to accomplish the general purposes outlined in the tract entitled, "Mount Carmel Training Center".

Section III - Objectives

- (a) The Executive Council is to acquire a full operational staff for the Association, i.e. a full-time printer and maintenance supervisor, in order that its Bible workers and ministers may be able to accomplish a greater work in the field and also that the literature may flow abundantly "to every one grass in the field." (Zech. 10:1).
- (b) The Executive Council is to employ full-time world evangelists whose duties would include organizing and establishing new groups for the year.
- (c) The Executive Council is to fully establish the E.W. Society as a means to acquire names of Adventists.

ARTICLE II - THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Section I - Names of eligible individuals

- (a) The Session is to elect a group of certified (card-holding) members to form the Executive Council.
- (b) The Council is to consist of seven (7) members.
- (c) As far as possible the Executive Council should reside at headquarters or

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- (d) No officer of the Council should remain in the same position for more than two consecutive terms. The Vice-President should not be a novice according to 1 Tim. 3:1-6, and should at least serve two years on a local board.
- (e) Under no conditions should husband and wife serve as officers of the same Council.

Section II - Officers

The officers for the term 1990-91 are as follows:

Vice President	Brother	Τ.	Harrison
Secretary	Sister	F.	Frye
Treasurer	Sister	٧.	Rose
Member	Brother	J.	Seraphin
Member	Brother	D.	McCoy
Member			Escoffery
Member	Brother	R.	Williams

Section III - Authority

- (a) "The Executive Council shall be patterned after the council described in Acts 6:2-6." LD:9.
- (b) "It shall have full executive and administrative power between sessions of the Association." LD:9.
- (c) "It shall be vested with authority to grant credentials and licenses, and to fill vacancies that may occur in any of the Association's offices, save the office of the President." LD:9.
- (d) "A majority of the full membership of the council shall, after due notice to available members, constitute a quorum of the Executive Council." LD:9.
- (e) "Meetings of the Executive Council may be called by the chairman or by any

member of the Council so appointed or delegated by him." LD:3

Note: This Session mandates the Chairman to call a meeting if and when any member of the Council so requests.

- (f) "Meetings may be convoked at any time." LD:9.
- (g) "Meetings shall be held at the General Headquarters unless otherwise designated by a quorum of the council." LD:9.
- (h) The Executive Council is granted to base its voting procedures on a simple majority vote (at least four must vote yea or nay) unless there is a unanimous vote. In that case, the matter must be referred to the other council members.
- (i) "Minority meetings of fewer than seven (7) members of the council may be held at the General Administrative office for the transaction of necessary or routine business." LD:9
- (j) All important issues outside of routine matters should be presented before the full membership so that the entire Executive Council can participate in the final vote.
- NOTE 1. Section III, (h) is understood by the 1990 Session to constitute meetings dealing with basic operational day-to-day functions.

Section IV - No President

- (a) Because Brother Houteff was the last "President" of the GA of DSDA-MC, the present Association cannot elect a President, but must elect a Vice-President to serve as chairperson of the Executive Council, and to be its spokesperson.
- (b) The Vice President cannot act independently of the Executive Council, but his actions should reflect its decisions.

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question." (TM:302).

Section V - The Pledge

(a) The members of the Executive Council are to verbally repeat the pledge of allegiance found in 13 TR:35.

"We pledge our hearts, our minds, our hands, our all, first to the flag of God's eternal kingdom, and to the Theocracy for which it stands, one people made up of all nations, and bound by the cords of everlasting love, liberty, purity, justice, peace, happiness, light and life for all; and the second as Americans, to the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Section VI - Removal of a Council member

(a) The Executive Council is granted the authority after following the procedure set forth in Matthew 18:15-18 to temporarily suspend a Council member during investigation of an alleged violation of the Bible, Testimonies, or the Rod message. However, the final decision is to be made by the majority vote of all the card-holding members throughout the world field, by ballot, after receiving a detailed signed report of the Council and the one(s) in question.

Section VII - Decisions which warrant Session Approval

(a) All major decisions outside of previous legislation to be made between Sessions must go to the standing delegation for their vote.

NOTE: "Outside of previous legislation" means matters that have not been dealt with at previous sessions. It is not intended to override any previous legislations.

(b) In case of an urgent crisis, that demands overriding a previously legislated decision. A ballot should first

be sent to the delegation for approval of the override. Then the council can proceed with the procedure in "a" of Section VII, Sh

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(c) Any Card holder can submit an item for overriding.

NOTE: "Standing delegation" includes delegates, Bible workers and ministers. Both ballots should be sent at the same time.

Section VIII - Council Terms

(a) That the previous Council will operate 30 days after Session in conjunction with the present Council and also that during Session, routine business will continue to be handled by the out-going Council.

ARTICLE III - SESSIONS

Section I - Sessions Bi-Annually.

- (a) No Session should be held for next year, (1991). From this Session, it would be held bi-annually. But wherever feasible, a convocation is to be held between Sessions somewhere in the world field.
- (b) This Association shall hold regular sessions at such time (See "a" above) and place as the Executive Council shall designate, by a notice published in the Symbolic Code, the official organ of the organization, in two (2) consecutive issues before the date of the opening of the session.

Section II - Special Session

- (a) The final decision for calling a special session is to be made by the majority vote of all card-holding members in the field.
- (b) Decisions at special sessions shall have the same force as those at a regular session.
- (c) In the case of calling a special session, the card-holder(s) should send a written request and reasons to the Council and after due consideration, the Council

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- (c) All delegates and voting members elected to Session representing any branch, area, or group, shall comprise the standing delegation between Sessions until the next election of delegates.
- (d) Each area, branch, or group, shall turn in the names of their standing delegates who shall have all rights and privileges whether or not the delegates attend Session, so that in all matters, each field is fully represented at all times.
- (e) All standing delegates are to be given monthly reports less personal business and they are in turn to inform their respective boards of information pertaining to said reports.
- (f) All ministers and credentialed teachers who are active (recommended by their local Board or by the Executive Council if there is no Board nor card-holders in the area) have the privilege to attend and vote at Session business meetings.
- (g) Any Area or Branch of the Association shall by majority vote, replace its delegates any time prior to the commencement of the Session.
- (h) Those elected as delegates from Branches should be active card-holders.

Section VI - Session Funds

- (a) The Executive Council is to immediately establish a Session Travelling Fund to assist delegates, ministers, and credentialed teachers of those branches that send their funds (tithes and offerings) directly to headquarters. The Executive Council is to keep the field abreast as to the progress of this fund.
- (b) Those branches who do not send funds (tithes and offerings) directly to the headquarters are responsible to establish a Session fund for their delegates, teachers and ministers. The headquarters may assist such branches that are incapable of financing such travelling.

Section VII - Special Instructions on Session Procedures

(a) Information about Session procedures is to be sent to all potential delegates before they come to Session. Thereby, enabling them to participate more effectively and proficiently. Perhaps special classes could be given at DLI to facilitate this matter. (Example - parliamentary procedures, terminology, etc.)

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

Section I - New Members

- (a) To all Davidians who request a fellowship card for the first time, the Executive Council must send them an application form, (long form) together with a letter stating the procedure for submitting applications.
- (b) All applicants for the Certificate of Fellowship must first send their completed forms to the local Board of Trustees for recommendation before submitting it to the Council. If, however, there is no Board in that area then the applicant will submit it directly to the Executive Council for their approval by a majority vote before their cards can be signed by the Vice-President and issued.

NOTE: Space will be provided on the application form for the signature of the referer.

- (c) All fellowship cards will be issued directly to the applicants, but the Boards will be informed by the Council who has been sent a card.
- (d) If there is an objection to the person receiving his/her fellowship card, a letter of explanation must be sent to the Executive Council along with the application form. Please note, however, that all applications must be forwarded to the headquarters.

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Section II - Current Members

- (a) To every Davidian who already holds a valid fellowship card in a year, the Executive Council must mail that same year (during the first week of January), the SHORT application form for him if he desires to renew his fellowship card for the coming year. Each application is to be returned by March 1 of that same year.
- (b) All fellowship cards will expire March 31st.
- (c) All those renewing their Certificate of Fellowship must follow the same procedure stated in Article IV, Section 1 (b).

Section III - Fellowship Cards

- (a) Any valid card-holding member of the GA of DSDA-MC has a right to receive the following benefits/privileges:
- To attend all religious and business meetings at a group meeting and at a Session.
- To be eligible (if otherwise qualified by the bylaws to hold a local office or an Executive Council office.
- To teach in the name of the Association.
- To have visitation rights to the Headquarters.
- To inspect the Association's financial records at the headquarters (personal records are exempt).
- 6. To attend the Davidic-Levitical Insti-

tute (if qualified).

- 7. To receive charity (if qualified).
- (b) All Davidians who do not hold a valid fellowship card, but who return first and second tithes to the GA of DSDA-MC are qualified:
- 1. To attend religious group meetings.
- 2. To receive charity (if qualified).
- 3. To visit the headquarters.
- To attend group business meetings at the discretion of the card-holding members in that area, but he/she has no voting rights.
- (c) The Vice President is authorized to sign all fellowship cards, ONLY after the application has been processed by a majority of the full council.
- (d) The original application form (LONG and SHORT) used by Brother Houteff is to be reinstated and utilized by the GA of DSDA-MC.

Section IV - Invalidated Fellowship Cards

(a) Before any member's fellowship card can be invalidated by the Executive Council, it must first be, on the recommendation of the card-holding members of his/her area, after the procedure set forth in Matthew 18:16,17 has been complied with.

Section V - List of Doctrinal Beliefs

(a) Doctrinal Beliefs of the Association must be clearly stated as listed in the tract "Fundamental Beliefs of DSDA" and 2TG:10. This should not be attached to the application as a supplement, but should be placed in the same envelope along with a copy of the bylaws and mailed to all those desirous of obtaining a fellowship card.



- (b) This Association, the General Association of Davidian Seventh-day Adventists Mt. Carmel, does confirm, that its fundamental beliefs are those that are embodied in the tract entitled "Fundamental Beliefs and Directory of Davidian Seventh-day Adventists" and 2TG:10. Also, for clarification in regards to the false doctrines that have arisen among us in Davidia, this Association takes the following stand:
- 1. That only 144,000 living saints, will
 escape the slaughter of Ezekiel 9. (1TG.
 52:20,21; 3ANS:26; 1SR:219; WHR:24,25;
 5TR:103; Rev. 7:1-4).
- 2. That the last porter/prophet/president to God's church is Brother Victor T. Houteff. (GCS:7,8,23,32; 9TR:67; 13TR:11,12).
- 3. That the "Living Spirit of Prophecy" is not a man, but rather, the inspired interpretation of the scriptures, a timely message. (2TG.45:5,8; 2TG.41:21; 2TG.20:24).
- 4. That Carmel is a spiritual pasture (not literal), and that it will be in existence until the establishment of the Kingdom. (ISR:243; (IISC12:30-34; 125C #8,9:14,15)).
- 5. That the second pentecostal outpouring of the Holy will amount the church, the slaughter of Eze. (IAns:91,92; 2SR:220,221; 3TR:86; 276.46:27,28,34,36).
- 6. That Brother Victor T. Houteff is the master antitypical prophet. (David 8TR:47,48,71; 2TG.21:23; Jezreel 2TG.6:17,18,25; 2TG.43:18,19; WHR:65; 4TR:51; Ezekiel 1TR:37; 1TG.22:30; Zechariah 1TG.16:29; Zerubbabel 1TG.14:20-22; Elijah GCS:23,32; 1ANS:67,68; Joshua 1TG.8:23,24,28).
- 7. That God's Headquarters must be in the domain of the Two-horned beast-"USA," (8TR:24), east of California, according to the river of Ezekiel 47, (2SR:297; ISC:10:4).

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Section I - Bank Accounts and Allocation of Funds

(a) Funds from the world field shall be sent to:

The General Association of DSDA-Mt. Carmel Center P.O. Box 119 Mountaindale, NY 12763-0119

- (b) Those branches in foreign countries that do not send funds to the headquarters are to send a quarterly financial report to the Association.
- (c) The headquarters will distribute funds to the various branches, that send their funds directly to the headquarters.
- (d) The headquarters is to send funds as needed to those newly established branches that are unable to fund themselves.
- (e) The Executive Council is given the authority to spend all that is necessary in the various departments, (See Article IX, Section I), for the establishment and the furtherance of the GA of DSDA-MC. In addition, each department is to submit to the Council its budgets for consideration.

Section II - Account Signees

- (a) Seven (7) persons are to be signees on the account of the GA of DSDA.
- (b) Any three (3) of the seven (7) signees must sign for all withdrawals.
- (c) Should a financial problem arise, it shall be ratified by the signature of all seven (7).
- (d) In case of a catastrophe, i.e. death, that the remaining signee(s) on the Association's account shall be granted the power of attorney to sign for those who have died or are incapacitated until

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Section III - Important Documents

- (a) All important documents of the GA of DSDA-MC are to be kept in a safety deposit box, preferably at the same bank where the Association's account is established.
- (b) The signees to this safety deposit box are to be those of the existing Executive Council.
- (c) The signees will be renewed after every Session.
- (d) At no time should fewer than four members of the Executive Council be present when the box is to be opened.
- (e) All documents, in relation to the properties and assets acquired by the branches of the Association, shall be sent to the headquarters of the GA of DSDA-MC, for safe keeping, and those branches should keep a copy for their records.

Section IV - First and Second Tithes and their uses

- (a) "The Ministerial Department, workers and present truth publications shall be maintained ty the first tithe." Vol.4 Symbolic Code, Nos. 1,2,3:4.
- (b) The second tithe is to be used in accordance with $4\mathrm{Ans}:49$ and 59-63.
- (c) Persons desirous of becoming fulltime workers should notify the Executive Council of the time he wants to begin. The Executive Council in turn will keep a record of the workers' activities in the field, i,e, tithe payers recruited, etc.

Section V - Income from Branches

(a) Those areas that do not send their funds (tithes and offerings) directly to headquarters, are to set aside 50% of their net income into a separate account that is to be set up and controlled by headquarters for the enhancing of the cause.

Section VI - Mileage

A mileage payment of 20 cents a mile is to be given for transportation and upkeep to those individuals who use their personal vehicles for Association purposes.

ARTICLE VI - DAVIDIC-LEVITICAL INSTITUTE

Section I - The Institute

- (a) The Executive Council is authorized to put into effect the Davidic-Levitical Institute, with all its different phases, as explained in the tract entitled "Mount Carmel Iraining Center."
- (b) The Headquarters is to operate as an Institution, and as such, it shall provide housing, luandry facilities and cafeteria where workers and students may eat their meals after the pattern of Old Mt. Carmel. It should be understood, however that cafeteria facilities are optional for workers. Students, however, are required to have their meals in the institution's cafeteria.
- (c) Due to concerns of those persons desiring to attend DLI and cannot, and to facilitate involvement of persons in the field, the education department is to formulate programs to meet these most pressing needs. These programs are to be supervised by the local boards under quidelines of the education department.
- (d) That the DLI programs be revised with a higher level of spiritual development and that input be put into that program

by the Executive Council and former students.

Note: Courtship and marriage, along with a study of mind, character, and personality is to be an integral part of the institute's curriculum.

(e) All DLI students are to read the booklet "Mt. Carmel Training Center" with proper understanding of its contents prior to being admitted into the school, and that an orientation should be given upon the first week of their arrival.

Section II - Correspondence Course

(a) That new students applying for DLI should be encouraged to complete the correspondence course prior to attending DLI. The education director is to look into the situation.

Section III - DLI In-Field Training Program

(a) Those areas desirous of having an in-field training program must submit it to the education department.

ARTICLE VII - WORKERS

Section I - Employment

- (a) As soon as possible the Executive Council is to provide for all branches, effective correspondence courses, seminars, and a teacher's manual. Before a Board of Trustees can recommend someone for full-time Bible work, he/she would have had to successfully complete the correspondence course and seminar.
- (b) The Executive Council will have the responsibility of designating the worker's allotment of funds, so as to meet their basic needs.
- (c) Workers' reports and expense forms are available so that those in the field

who desire to be reimbursed for their expenses while doing the Lord's work can be reimbursed.

- (d) The Executive Council is to put into effect the following guidelines:
- As far as possible workers should be sent out two by two.
- Members desirous of becoming full-time workers are to start out on a self-supporting basis and gradually come on salary as the fruits of their labors are seen. SEE: FB:26-30; SC.2:3,4, March, April 1936.
- Workers are to be provided with inhouse training.

Section II - Ministerial Credentials

- (a) The Executive Council is vested with the authority to choose ministers who are to be ordained and licensed, and teacherss who are to be credentialed, according to the Leviticus:10,11, Article III, Section VI, entitled "Ordination of Ministers."
- (b) A credentialed teacher is one who has successfully completed the DLI and has been granted a certificate and/or one who has been granted a honorary certificate by the institute.
- (c) Licensed and ordained ministers are defined as stated in the Leviticus of Davidian Seventh-day Adventists, p. 11, vested with the right to preach and teach the truth, the principles, and the lessons and to perform the ministerial duties, services, and ceremonies, set forth in the scriptures. 2 SR:80,81.
- A licensed minister shall be vested with the right to preach and teach the truths, the principles and the lessons set forth in the scriptures, but not to perform the ministerial duties, services, and ceremonies, therein set forth, except on occasion such as warrant the Council's specially authorizing said right.

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- (b) The adventitious funds shall consist of donations, bequests, legacies, and internal revenues.

ARTICLE VIII - PUBLISHING

Section I - Literature

- (a) The Executive Council is to ensure that the Rod literature is printed in abundance, so that it can be scattered as the "leaves of autumn" throughout the SDA church.
- (b) Tracts 1-15, plus the miscellaneous tracts (excluding the Timely Greetings and Symbolic Codes) are to be reprinted in their original, uniformed pocket size.
- (c) The postal address on the back or inside of the tracts will be:

The Universal Publishing Association Mt. Carmel Center P.O. Box 119
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- (d) Complete outlines of all the chart studies are to be formulated by all the Executive Council as an aid to those desirous of teaching the message.
- (e) The GA of DSDA-MC, printing literature as the Universal Publishing Association, will publish only the Shepherd's Rod literature, including the "Old Codes".

Note: Major emphasis will be placed on printing an abundance of the Entering Wedge, The White House Recruiter and the 1950 General Conference Special.

- (f) That both the administrative section and the publishing operation be located at the same place wherever that may be.
- (g) We do not take any portion of the Rod literature and publish in book form nor are we to redesign the covers.

ARTICLE IX - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section I - Organization

- (a) The Executive Council is imbued with the responsibility of defining the job responsibilities of the Board of Directors.
- (b) As far as possible all members of the Board of Directors should meet together on a quarterly basis to report to the Executive Council and to coordinate their activities around the world.

ARTICLE X - DEPARTMENTS

Section I - Listing of Departments

(a) The names of the departments and their different components as selected by the 1990 Session are as follows:

Education
 Ministerial
 Benevolent
 General Office
 Medical
 Independent
 Brother E. Stanford
 Brother G. Kerr
 Sister G. Kerr
 Sister F. Frye
 Escoffery

ARTICLE XI - EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Section I - Bible Study Lessons

(a) The Education Department is to publish both children and adult Bible study lessons to be dispersed throughout the world field.

Section II - Financially Supporting Davidian Children and Youth That They May Attend SDA School.

(a) The California board has permission to implement the program of providing financial aid for Davidian children to attend SDA schools in California. The chairman of the program is to give the

education department a report of the work that they have done in order that other areas may establish the same program.

(b) The 1990 Session is to turn over the recommendations presented by the California branch so that both the Education Committee and the Executive Council can formulate plans acceptable to the world field.

ARTICLE XII - MINISTERIAL DEPARTMENT

Section I - The Tape Ministry

- (a) The Ministerial Department is to put the entire Rod message along with chart studies on audio cassette tapes.
- (b) The Ministerial Department is to thoroughly organize the tape ministry to include the following:
- Persons to read Rod literature on tape in various languages.
- Headquarters is to supply the material.
- 3. To provide volunteers for reading, editing, etc.
- 4. To insure a proper use and distribution of the tapes in relationship to the literature.

Section II - Ministerial Rites

(a) On behalf of those groups who do not have a licensed minister, that someone be dedicated to perform simple funerals, marriages, and baptisms. The Ministerial Department is to coordinate a program (eg. lay ministers) to expedite this matter. Also, to look into the possibility of Davidians having our own burial plot. Council is to assist the Ministerial Department with these recommendations.

Section III - Special Instructions

(a) The Education and Ministerial Departments are to organize seminars for Bible workers and ministers toward enhancing their skills in the field at least once per year.

ARTICLE XIII - BIBLICAL RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Section I - Committee Procedures

- (a) Any doctrinal dispute or new interpretation contrary to the teachings of Mt. Carmel, in the field, is to first be brought through the office to the Biblical Research Committee, for investigation of the matter, before being disseminated to any group or field. ISC4:1.
- (b) The issue involved is first to be presented to the chairperson of the committee in writing.
- (c) The chairperson is to filter the information to the other committee members who in turn are to make a thorough investigation of the matter and send their findings to the chairperson.
- (d) The chairperson is to then send a compiled report of the findings to the Executive Council.
- (e) The Council in turn is to send the report to those members (those who first brought up the issue, see step "b" above). However, the final decision rests with the Session.

Section II - Committee Members

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McCallum (NY)

Archer (CA) *
Shortt (Guyana)
Wallace (Bahamas)

Nosworthy (NY)

R. Roberts (Canada)
I. Muwonge (East Africa)
Y. Gully (Mt. Carmel)

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MITICLE XIV - RELIGIOUS LIBERTY COMMITTEE

Section I - Purpose

(a) This committee has been formed to assist present truth believers in all -atters pertaining to religious liberty i.e. court injunctions. To receive assistance, please write Mt. Carmel who in turn will contact the committee.

Section II - Committee Members

- S. Smith
- C. Escof T. Davis Escoffery
- Gully J.
- Ρ. Nosworthy *
- Wilson L.
- Stanford

ARTICLE XV - CLASSIFICATION AND GUIDE-LINES FOR THE WORLD FIELD

Section I - Classification

- (a) The classification of the world field of the GA of DSDA-MC is to be as follows:
- 1. Section The smallest (7 studying members including 2 tithe payers).
- 2. Area A group of sections (5 tithe paying members including 2 card holders).
- 3. Branch A group of areas (7 tithe payers including 5 card-nolding members.
- 4. A Division a group of Branches (at least 21 tithe payers including 15 card holders).
- (b) The Executive Council has the responsibility of dividing the world field into four general categories.

Section II - Branches and Areas

- (a) All branch and area leaders should be elected by a majority vote of the cardholding members of that branch or area.
- In areas where there are no cardholding members, or where there is a newly established group, the credentialed teacher or ministers, sent by the Association, to that particular area, shall be recognized as the leader, responsible to the Executive Council until such time as the members of that area are eligible (receive their cards) to elect their own leaders.
- (c) The Executive Council is to formulate guidelines for the operation of Branches and Areas.
- (d) Every Branch is to elect a governing body, to be known as the "Board of Trustees.
- (e) Under no conditions should husband and wife serve as officers of the same board.
- (f) All existing and future Branches shall be incorporated as subsidiaries of GA of DSDA-MC.
- (g) A particular time on Fridays is to be set aside for Davidians world-wide to pray unitedly at that set time.
- Section III The California Branch and The Universal Publishing Association
- (a) Due to the signed agreement the above section was completed.
- (b) As a part of the agreement let it herein be known that the application for fellowship--LONG form embodies the doctrinal beliefs of all members of the General Associstion of Davidian Seventh-day Adventist -- Mt. Carmel and its subsidiaries.
- (c) The General Association of Davidian

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Seventh-day Adventists-Mt. Carmel is the parent corporation.

(d) These bylaws and long term application form constitute the statement of procedure for discipline and are the governing guidelines of the organization.

ARTICLE XVI - MEDICAL CENTER AND REST HOME

- (a) That this association will make whatever plans necessary at headquarters to build a rest home and a medical center in a pleasant surrounding conducive to health as outlined in the Symbolic Code, Vol. 1, 10:2.
- (b) That the medical center that is being established by Sister C. Horne be given support by the students and whatever the health department deems necessary.
- (c) That the Executive Council communicate with the Green (Glen and Rosie Green) family and negotiate what can be done with Salem's rest home.

ARTICLE XVII - SPECIAL DICTATES, NOTES, AND GUIDELINES FOR THE 1990-92 EXECU-TIVE COUNCIL

Section I - General

- (a) The Executive Council will send into the world field a newsletter at least once per quarter, entitled "The Symbolic Code," the official organ of the Association.
- (b) The 1990-92 Executive Council is to meet periodically in the upcoming two years to research and implement all bylaws decreed by the Session and to keep the field informed by periodic reports.
- (c) The 1990 Session, confers upon the Executive Council the awesome responsibility of administering the affairs of the Association as described in these bylaws and guidelines in accordance with

the Bible, the Spirit of Prophecy and the Shepherd's Rod message.

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(d) The Executive Council is to continue encouraging workers to enter the missionary field on a self-supporting basis as outlined in 5 Ans:48,49. They are also to designate appropriate workers to enter the foreign fields.

Section II - Buildings

(a) The Executive Council is to send a special notice to the field for funds to complete the buildings that have been started.

Section III - Moving the Publishing Department

(a) If the cost of transferring the publishing department from California to New York is as great as buying a new one, that a new press be bought for the head-quarters.

Section IV - Translations

(a) The council is to work out a method whereby qualified persons are recruited to translate the literature into foreign languages.

Section V - Special Requests for Workers

- (a) Two teachers or a husband and wife team are to work in England as full-time Bible workers for one year. All accomodations will be provided by the English group. For example, lodging, food and stipend. The time may be divided into two six-month periods, if necessary.
- (b) The ministerial department and Council is to send a full-time worker to Jamaica, West Indies.

Section VI - Transportation

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describing the situation for donations toward the purchase of a vehicle for Jamaica, West Indies. (The vehicle cannot be older than a 1988 model). A two to four weeks deadline will be given for replies. After the donations have been received, the Council is authorized to make up the difference from available funds.

Section VII - Fellowship Applications

- (a) When a new application for membership is received, the secretary of the Executive Council should write all the names and addresses of persons receiving cards and give the information to the office secretary. Only the Executive Council should file the applications.
- (b) A line is to be added for persons signing both long and short forms in order that they may be able to notify the office of any change of status.
- (c) On the long and short forms, the words "state" and "country" should be printed on the two address lines.

Section VIII - Special Financial Help

(a) The Council is to make certain that the needs of Brother M. Victor and his family be met financially on a monthly basis. In case he is able to support himself, the above becomes invalid.

Section IX - A Davidian School for Children and Youth

(a) The Executive Council is to implement plans to start a children's and/or youth summer school by 1991.

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"It is a part of God's plan to grant us, in answer to the prayer of faith, that which He would not bestow did we not thus ask." --GC:525

A WORD TO THE ELECT OF GOD, THE 144,000

VICTOR T. HOUTEFF

Dear Brethren:

To you who hear the voice of the Good Shepherd, and who are not known to us by name, but only by prospective number (144,000) and office (God's guileless servants, kings and priests), -- to each of you comes the solemn certainty that the sealing time is very short, its end very near. Therefore, Brother, Sister, make sure that you receive the seal of God on time; do not delay the return to our Eden Home. "Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your hearts." Heb. 4:7. He that is on the Lord's side, let him tarry no longer. The time has fully arrived for the 144,000 to come into line with God's program for the finishing of His work and the preparing of them for translation. So, saith the Lord: As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered; so will I seek out My sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day." Eze. 34:12. "And the Lord their God shall save them in that day as the flock of His people: for they shall be as the stones of a crown, lifted up as an ensign upon His land." Zech. 9:16.

Make hast Brother, Sister; immediately take your stand on the Lord's side, so that He may, because of your "sighing" (repenting) and "crying" (proclaiming the sealing message), without delay disclose "to view" as the "servants of our God," you who shall escape being among the "slain of the Lord," be sent unto the Gentiles, and "bring all your brethren...out of all nations." Isa. 66:16,19,20.

Study the message for yourselves, and forbid that any flesh interfere with your salvation. Make your own decision independently of any man, and know for yourself that God is leading you as He did when you were to become an S.D.A. Accept neither priest nor prelate as your God. "Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding: whose mouth must be