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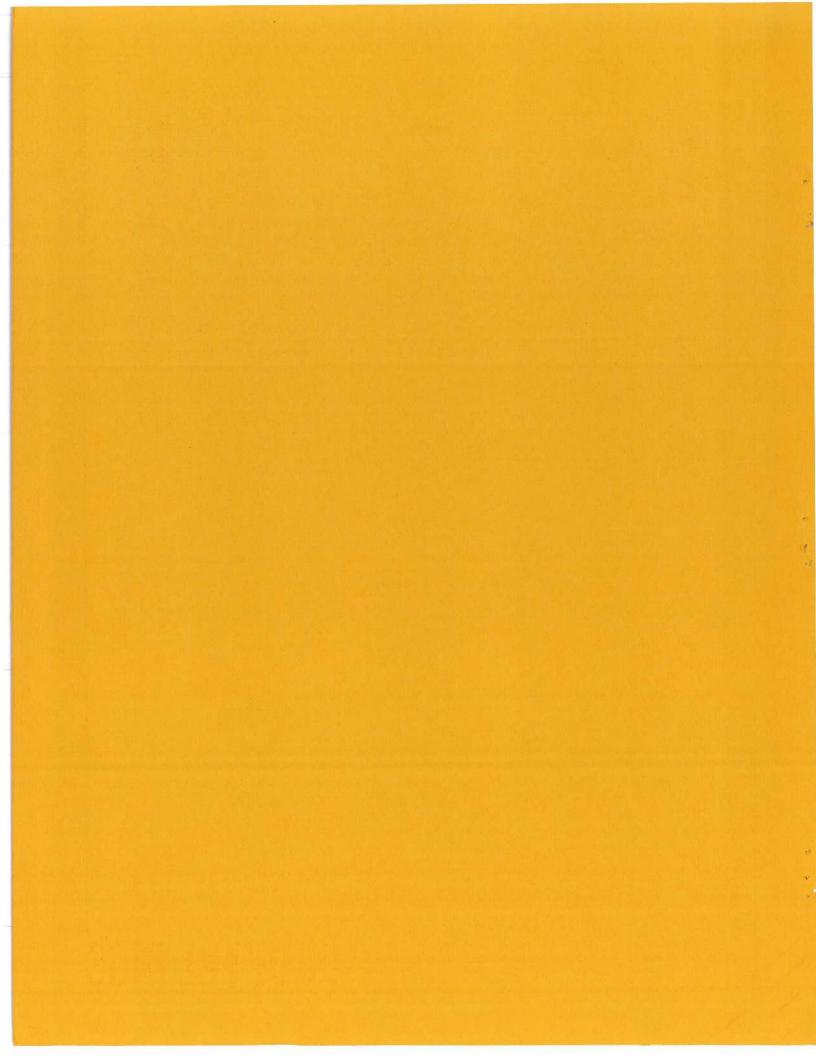


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UP = Unexcused Parttime; * = Affiliated Congregation;
** = A Congregation Accepted Into Voting Membership At This
Convention

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|---|-----|-------------|---|---------------------|--|--|
| Ι | | | - Member and Affiliated Phoenix - Holy Cross . | | P: | Charles Templeton |
| | 2. | CALIFORNIA, | Los Angeles - Servant | of Christ | | Paul G. Fleischer Norman F. Harms |
| | 3. | 2 | ∜San Francisco - St. St | Pastor ephen | P: | Winfred Schaller |
| | 4. | COLORADO, | Broomfield - Trinity . | Pastor | U: X: | Lloyd Schoephoerster Rollin Reim Bud Hamilton Walter Maulis |
| | 5. | | Denver - St. Luke's . | Pastor Delegates | Annual Control of the | |
| | 6. | | Denver - St. Peter's . | Pastor Delegates | P: | Victor Tiefe1 |
| | 7. | | Lamar - Mt. Olive | Delegates | X: | Paul F. Bentrup |
| | 8. | FLORIDA, | Winter Haven - Immanue | 1Delegates | P: | John H. Johannes Carl Janke Christian Albrecht Henry Hasse |
| | 9. | IDAHO, | Orofino - Peace | Pastor | P : | Martin Galstad |
| | 10. | ILLINOIS, * | *Chicago - Immanue1 | | | H. E. Rutz Emil Ruch |
| | 11. | MICHIGAN, | Coloma - Faith | | | David Schierenbeck Ray Breutzman |
| | 12. | | Green Garden - St. Pau | | | Ralph Schaller |
| | 13. | | Marquette - Calvary . | | XP: | Ted Libick |
| | 14. | | Saginaw - Gethsemane . | | | Alvin Wendt James Sandeen |
| | 15. | | Sister Lakes - Redeeme | | XP | Otto J. Eckert |
| | 16. | | Stambaugh - St. Peter! | | P : | |
| | | | | Pastor | | Martin Heisel George Tiefel |
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17. MINNESOTA, Austin - St. Paul's . . . . Delegates P: John Tomhave
                                                           Arlen Gilbertson
                                                       P : Don Brandt
                                               Pastor XP: L. W. Schierenbeck
18.
             *Detroit Lakes - Mt. Olive . . Delegates
                                               Pastor UP : G. Becker
19.
              Eagle Lake - Salem . . . . . Delegates XP: Lyle Larson
                                               Pastor XP: Keith Olmanson
20.
               Hancock - Bethel . . . . . . Delegates X : William Reiners
                                                       X: Walter Carstens
                                               Pastor P: Elton Hallauer
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21.
                                                       P: Martin Garbrecht
                                             Teachers XP: Clifford Kuehne
                                                       P: Robert Rehm
                                                      XP : Gene Schreyer
                                              Pastors XP: Robert Reim
                                                       P: John Pfeiffer
22.
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                                                       P: James Reim
                                                       P : Carl Thurow
              New Ulm - Faith . . . . . . Delegates XP: LeRoy Hulke
23.
                                                      XP : James Sydow
                                               Pastor XP: Gilbert Sydow
24.
              Nicollet - Faith . . . . . . Delegates XP : Edwin Hasse
                                                       X : Harold Hene
                                               Pastor XP: Keith Olmanson
             *Okabena - St. John's . . . . . Delegates P: Walter Pomerenke
25.
                                                       P: Raymond Mundt
                                               Pastor P: Ruben Ude
26.
             *Ponsford - St. Paul's . . . Delegates
                                               Pastor UP: G. Becker
27.
              Red Wing - Our Redeemer's . . Delegates XP: Charles Sandeen
                                                           Elmer Fitschen
                                                       P: Ray Seeley
                                              Teacher XP : Alvin Sieg
                                               Pastor XP: Robert Mackensen
              Rochester - St. Peter's . . . Delegates XP: Ronald Rust
28.
                                                      XP : David Lueck
                                               Pastor P: Harland Reed
              Sanborn - Faith . . . . . . Delegates X: Henry Mumm
29.
                                                       P: Edward H. Trapp
                                               Pastor P: H. C. Dueh1meier
30.
              Sleepy Eye - Grace . . . . . Delegates P: Walter Romberg
                                                       P: Robert Schultz
                                               Pastor P: George Barthels
31.
              St. Paul - Berea . . . . . . Delegates XP : Ronald Pautz
                                                       P: David Gurath
                                               Pastor P: Marvin Eibs
32. MISSOURI, St. Louis - Orthodox . . . . Delegates XP: David Menton
                                               Pastor P: L. G. Bernthal
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| 33. MONTANA, | Missoula - Holy Trinity . Delegates X : Alfred Siltman X : Leonard Baulow Pastor X : Eugene H. Rutz |
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| 34. NEBRASKA, | Valentine - Grace Delegates P: H. D. Ohlmann Pastor P: Donovan Ohlmann Pastor P: Herbert Witt |
| 35. NORTH DAKOTA, | Jamestown - Our Savior's Delegates: |
| 36. SOUTH CAROLIN | Teacher P: Leif Olmanson Pastor X: N. R. Carlson IA,*West Columbia - Holy Trinity |
| | Delegates : Pastor P: Paul F. Nolting |
| 37. SOUTH DAKOTA, | 100 |
| 38. | Pastor P: David Lau Estelline - Zion Delegates X: Elmer Gerth P: Louis Wiesner Pastor P: Daniel Fleischer |
| 39. | Faulkton - First Lutheran Delegates Proposition - First Lutheran Delegates |
| 40. | Pastor P: Leland Grams Firesteel - Grace Delegates |
| 41. | Pastor P: Vernon Greve Hecla - Prince of Peace .Delegates X: Franklin Hansen P: Fred Hochhalter |
| 42. | Pastor $\frac{XP}{XP}$: Arthur E. Schulz Ipswich - Zion Delegates $\frac{XP}{P}$: Ruben Ochsner P: Ed. Diede |
| 43. | Pastor P: Leland Grams Lemmon - St. Luke's Delegates P: R. B. Preszler P: Luther Schoon |
| 44. | Pastor P: Vernon Greve Mission - Peace Delegates P: Martin Jones U: Harry Skalla |
| 45. | $\begin{array}{c} \text{Pastor} \ \underline{XP} : \text{Paul Larsen} \\ \text{Watertown - Trinity} \text{Delegates} \ \underline{X} : \text{George Dumann} \\ \underline{XP} : \text{Walter Fuerstenau} \end{array}$ |
| 46. | Pastor P: Daniel Fleischer White River - St. Paul's Delegates P: Mons Week XP: Roy Valburg |
| 47. | Pastor \overline{XP} : Paul Larsen Winner - St. Paul's Delegates \overline{X} : Orval Hansen |
| 48. TEXAS, | Pastor P: Michael Sydow **Houston - Bethel Delegates P: Rudolph Mueller |
| 49. WASHINGTON, | Pastor : Vacant Alderwood Manor - Redemption : |
| No. | Delegates : Pastor P: Norbert Reim Clarkston - St. John's . Delegates : |
| 50. | Pastor P: H. E. Rutz |

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    51.
                   Spokane - Gethsemane . . Delegates :
                                             Pastor P: John Schierenbeck
                   Spokane - Trinity . . . Delegates P: Merlyn Anderberg
    52.
                                             Pastor P: M. J. Witt
    53. WISCONSIN, Cambridge - Faith . . . Delegates XP: Charles Packard
                                             Pastor XP: A. F. W. Geiger
    54.
                   Eau Claire - Messiah . . Delegates P: Marlin Beekman
                                                         Amil Ulrich
                                                     P: Earnest Williams
                                             Pastor P: Arvid Gullerud
    55.
                   Fond du Lac - Luther Memorial
                                                     P: Norman Gurath
                                          Delegates
                                                         Peter Fleischer
                                                     P: Lester Wehrwein
                                           Teachers P: Gerhard Mueller
                                                     P: Walter Priebe
                                             Pastor XP: Waldemar Schuetze
    56.
                   Markesan - Faith . . . . Delegates P : David Kelm
                                                    XP : Albert Kantorowicz
                                            Teacher P: Gerhardt Voigt
                                             Pastor XP: Egbert Albrecht
                  *Madison Mission . . . . Pastor P: Paul Albrecht
    57.
    58.
                   Millston - Trinity . . . Delegates __:
                                             Pastor P: Robert Mehltretter
                   Milwaukee - Messiah . . Delegates P: Waldemar Bernthal
    59.
                                             Pastor XP: Bertram Naumann
   60.
                   Onalaska - St. Mark's . Delegates X: Carl Jones
                                             Pastor
                                                      : Vacant
                   Stoddard - St. Luke's . Delegates P: Alvin Willenberg
   61.
                                                     P: Leonard Proksch
                                                         Ralph Proksch
                                                       : Vacant
                                             Pastor
                  Cheyenne - Redeemer . . Delegates
   62. WYOMING,
                                             Pastor P: Dale Redlin
                *Tokyo - Hachiman-Dori . Delegates
   63. JAPAN,
                                             Pastor P: Fred Tiefel
II. Clergy - Without Congregations
                               4. P Koch, Paul R. 7. P Reim, Edmund
    1. P Dommer, Robert
    2. P Gullerud, C. M.
                                5. P Lau, John
                                                 8. P Roehl, Ronald
                               6. P Radtke, Gordon 9. P Schaller, Egbert
     3. P Gurgel, Roland
III. Clergy - Emeritus
                                    2. X Pieper, Gerhard

    P Albrecht, Christian

IV. Clergy - On Leave Of Absence
    1. X Groeschel, Max
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A. Gilbertson

Trinity-Spokane: M. Anderberg St. Stephen-San Francisco: L. Schoephoerster Grace-Sleepy Eye: R. Schultz Prince of Peace-Hecla: F. Hochhalter Calvary-Marquette: A. Wendt

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Pastor Dale Redlin
Pastor Harland Reed
Prof. Gene Schreyer
Pastor David Schierenbeck
Pastor Arthur Schulz
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Faith-Cambridge: C. Packard
Immanuel-Chicago: E. Ruch
St. Luke's-Stoddard: L. Proksch
Zion-Ipswich: E. Diede

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Pastor John Johannes
Pastor Gene Rutz
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Peace-Mission: M. Jones

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Grace-Valentine: D. Ohlmann

Faith-Markesan: D. Kelm

St. Paul's-Austin: D. Brandt

Trinity-Watertown: W. Fuerstenau Prince of Peace-Hecla: F. Hochhalter Immanuel-Mankato: M. Garbrecht St. John's-Okabena: W. Pomerenke Faith-Coloma: R. Breutzman

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Pastor Gilbert Sydow Pastor Ruben Ude

Pastor M. J. Witt

Zion-Ipswich: R. Ochsner

St. Paul's-White River: R. Valburg

Committee #11: Press Relations President Paul Albrecht Prof. Egbert Schaller Prof. Edmund Reim

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE CONVENTION

Speakers: Convention Communion Service - Winfred Schaller Sunday Morning Service - Fred Tiefe1

Convention Closing Service - Paul Koch

Essayists: Egbert Schaller - THE VIRTUE OF CHRISTIAN SOBRIETY Frank Paull, Jr. - "FEED MY LAMBS - FEED MY SHEEP" Clifford Kuehne - CHALLENGE TO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN THE CLC

Chaplain: Paul Koch Organist: Robert Dommer

REPORT OF COMMITTEE #7: MEMBERSHIP, CREDENTIALS, EXCUSES, RATIFICATION OF VISITORS, MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

I. Membership of Pastors and Teachers

WHEREAS the following have subscribed to the constitution of the CLC, particularly Article III, we recommend their acceptance into the membership of the CLC. For the preaching ministry:

Rev. John Pfeiffer

Rev. David Schierenbeck

Rev. John Schierenbeck

Rev. Robert Mehltretter

For the teaching ministry:

Mr. Gerhardt Voigt

Mr. Walter Priebe

Mr. Lief Olmanson

Adopted.

II. Membership of Congregations

WHEREAS Bethel Ev. Lutheran Church of Houston, Texas, has expressed agreement in its constitution with the doctrinal position of the CLC, we recommend that said congregation be received into membership of the CLC.

We also recommend that the constitution of said congregation is found acceptable with the exception that further study and revision be made of Article V.

We further recommend that the delegate of said congregation be seated as a voting delegate at this convention.

WE RECOMMEND that Immanuel Lutheran Church of Chicago be received into the membership of the CLC with the condition that necessary changes required in its constitution, particularly in Article VII (Repeals and Alterations), be made. Adopted.

III. Dates for 1970 Convention

The committee recommends that the convention be held within one given week, rather than in parts of two weeks.

Re Memorial of West Central Delegate Conference -

WHEREAS many of the excuses offered by lay delegates for their absence from this convention seems to indicate that the month of August may not be the best month for our biennial convention,

WE THEREFORE RECOMMEND that the 1970 convention be held from Tuesday, July 7, to Saturday, July 11.

IV. Travel Expense

Re Memorial of the Minnesota Conference concerning payment of conference travel expense -

In view of the fact that the matter is provided for through the office of the president, no further action is necessary.

Since one reason given for not attending convention was the lack of funds for travel, the committee would encourage congregations, where at all possible, to pay travel expenses of its delegates and pastor.

V. Change in Conference Membership

We recommend that Orthodox Lutheran Church of St. Louis, Missouri be permitted to change its membership from the Minnesota Conference to the Wisconsin Conference, pursuant to their request.

VI. Convention Registration Fee

WHEREAS the secretary of the CLC donates his service, and

WHEREAS the cost of material and equipment maintenance does increase,

THEREFORE WE RECOMMEND that the following procedure be adopted relative to materials supplied by the secretary's office for CLC work:

- That member and affiliated congregations be asked to pay registration fees in advance of conventions.
- 2) That each congregation be billed in accordance with its

- communicant membership, viz.: a) 1-99 communicants \$5 b) 100-249 communicants \$10 c) 250 communicants and over \$15.
- 3) That these amounts be subject to periodic review.

VII. Attendance

The committee reports 119 voters seated at the convention (39 pastors, 9 professors, 1 pastor emeritus, 8 teachers and 59 lay delegates).

2 pastors, 15 lay delegates and 1 pastor emeritus were excused full-time. 13 pastors, 18 lay delegates and 2 teachers were excused parttime. One pastor was unexcused for part of the convention. One pastor, 1 teacher and 2 lay delegates were unexcused.

VIII. Ratification of Visiting Elders

We recommend ratifying the following conference elections:

Pacific Conference- Pastor Norbert Reim

West-Central Conference - Pastor Vernon Greve

Minnesota Conference - Pastor Marvin Eibs

Wisconsin Conference - Pastor Waldemar Schuetze

Michigan Conference - Pastor Ralph Schaller Adopted.

IX. Expressions of Gratitude

The convention notes with thanks the hospitality extended to it by the faculty of ILC, the kitchen staff, the pastor, congregation and ladies of Messiah of Eau Claire, as well as Robert Wehrwein, who provided for the typing and printing service for this convention. Thanks are also in order to the outgoing board members and officers who have served the CLC during the past biennium and, in some cases, longer.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE AND REPORT

As we again assemble to hear what the Lord has wrought among us and to address ourselves to the work which He has laid before us, we are keenly mindful of, and deeply grateful for, the blessings which He has showered on us, blessings more than we can count.

Our heavenly Father has preserved the saving Truth of His Holy Word to us, thereby giving us the solemn assurance that we are redeemed, that our sins are forgiven and will not be remembered forever. He has not only cleansed us from all unrighteousness but covered us with the white and spotless garment of the perfect righteousness of His only begotten Son so that we can now appear before Him as His dear children and rightful heirs of everything that He has prepared for us.

He has greatly honored us by using us to proclaim the precious truth of the gospel in our own midst and in the far flung mission fields into which He has called us in 18 states of the Union and in far off Japan, and has richly and wonderfully blessed the preaching of His Word so that sinners came to repentance and believers rejoiced in His mercy.

Wherever the Word was preached, it accomplished that which He pleased and prospered in the thing whereunto He sent it.

In our Immanuel Lutheran College, our God has given us a wonderful educational institution for the Christian training of our young people on both the high school and college level and, above all, for the preparation of able and consecrated servants of the Word, ready to serve in the preaching and teaching ministry. Through our Immanuel Lutheran College He has given us 27 fulltime servants of the Word who are at the present time active in the preaching or teaching ministry. God willing, this will mean more than a thousand years of service in His kingdom, not to say anything of the consecrated service of the many who did not enter into the fulltime ministry of the Word. Words fail us when we consider the blessings which the Lord is showering on us through Immanuel Lutheran College.

Let us also remember how wonderfully the Lord has blessed us in everything that we undertook in His name. Eight years ago when we joined hearts and hands in the Church of the Lutheran Confession for the sole purpose of preserving and preaching the simple truth of the gospel, we had practically nothing as far as material things were concerned. Most of our congregations had to make a new start, having given up all the material possessions rather than to give up one iota of God's Word. Today our congregations again have churches and schools, parsonages and teacherages, and everything that they need to carry on as Christian congregations. Here at Immanuel Lutheran College we have a campus and facilities which go far beyond anything that we could have dreamed of eight years ago. Far more important, however, than the outward facilities are the students and faculty which the Lord has given us. Our students and faculty comprise a school that is experiencing a steady and healthy growth, straining our facilities to the utmost and confronting us with the delightful need of expanding and enlarging our physical plant so that we may be able to receive those who knock at our door. We surely do not want to forfeit any of the blessings which the Lord has in store for us by having to turn away prospective servants of the Word because of a lack of room.

Eight years ago we were able to give only token support to a few struggling missions. Today we are giving full support to 18 workers in 14 missions.

Financially, also, the Lord has richly blessed us. Our people's gifts of love for the Lord and His work have enabled us to meet all our obligations. All current obligations were met with current contributions.

For all these blessings let us thank God with all our hearts.

Though we should never forget past blessings, our main thoughts and main thrust should always be directed to the future. When I look toward what the Lord is directing us to for the future, I am reminded of the words of the apostle Paul who, ever looking and pressing forward, said: "A great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries." I Cor. 16:9. There is before us a wide open door for effective service, and there are many obstacles.

The Lord is calling us who have the Truth as only few in this world have it today into an ever growing number of fields. He has His elect in many places and still says to us and to all who love Him: Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. The harvest is plenteous,

but the laborers are few. The report of the Board of Mission will let you see at least some of the wide open doors which the Lord has set before us.

St. Paul had to face many adversaries. There always were those who opposed him and the gospel which he preached. There was the old evil foe, the devil, who used all his satanic cleverness to set those who heard Paul against the heavenly Truth which he proclaimed. There was the natural wickedness and perversity of the unregenerate human heart. There was the raging of the heathen against the Lord and His Anointed. There was the organized opposition of the guild of silversmiths who saw their income dwindling as men turned from the worship of Diana to Him who had died for them on Calvary's cross. There were the "truth squads" of false Jews who dogged the footsteps of Paul wherever he went, slandering and defaming him as a renegade Jew, an enemy of the God of Israel, a purveyor of a false, manmade religion.

But St. Paul allowed none of these adversaries to startle or discourage him. He labored all the harder <u>because</u> there were so many adversaries. He spent himself completely in the service of the gospel so that by all means he might save some.

It will not be easy for us to enter the many wide open doors which the Lord has set before us. There still are many adversaries. The opposition to the Lord and His Anointed is as fierce and as bitter today as it ever was. The old evil foe, the devil, has not changed. His guile is as deep as ever, and his might has not diminished. On earth is not his equal.

The unbelieving world, and that includes many who call themselves Christians, is opposing the simple Truth of the gospel as perhaps never before. The world has become so wise and so sophisticated as to look upon the gospel as a mere myth. She pities those who still believe in the verbal inspiration of the Scriptures, who still accept every word of Scripture as the holy and inerrant Word of God.

Another formidable adversary is the one that is within us, our old sinful flesh. We find it so difficult to apply ourselves to the tasks which the Lord has assigned to us with all the gifts and talents and resources which He has given us. We sometimes feel sorry for ourselves because we cannot build Christ's kingdom on the same scale and in the same style as others. We so easily tire when visible results do not become apparent. We find it so difficult to admonish and exhort each other when we fall short of what we ought to be doing. Our gifts for the Lord and His work are not commensurate with what the Lord has given us. We do not show the zeal and energy which the Savior desires of those whom He has redeemed with His own blood and whom He has commissioned to show forth the excellencies of Him who has called us out of darkness into His mar-velous light. We do not pray as diligently and fervently as we should.

We sometimes think that because we are a relatively small church body the work before us is too arduous and the adversaries too great. I say: Away with such thoughts! They are from him who would destroy us and set at naught the gospel which we have been called to preach. Let us remember that the work in which we are engaged is not ours but the Lord's, the work of Him who has redeemed us with His own blood and made us heirs

of His glorious, eternal, heavenly kingdom. Let us remember His promise to be with us always and to supply all our needs. Then the adversaries which oppose us and the difficulties which seem to hamper us will not dishearten and discourage us but will spur us on to labor all the more diligently.

The Lord is not asking anything of us for which He has not fully equipped us. We may not always be able to see it because we are too blind to see what the Lord does. But we do remember His solemn promise in answer to our prayers to supply all our needs. Let us humbly ask the Lord to give us everything that we need, a stronger faith, more fervent love, more zeal, more courage, more laborers, more and larger gifts of love, supremely confident that the Lord delights in such prayers and will in His own wonderful way and in His own time give us everything that we need for the tasks which He assigns to us. Let us ask without ceasing lest we have to hear the sad words: Ye have not because ye ask not.

Let us truly make the Lord's work our work, working as though everything depended on us and our efforts, and praying as though everything depended on the Lord, as indeed it does.

Let us joyfully and energetically attack the work which the Lord has given us to do while it is day before the night comes when no man can work, believing that He will hear our prayers and bless our efforts to the glory of His most holy name.

Doctrinal Matters

It is disheartening to have to report that in our discussions with Wisconsin's Commission on Doctrinal Matters an impasse appears to have been reached. Our Spokane Convention in 1966 expressed the conviction that there can be no fruitful discussion of the WELS and CLC published documents on the principles of church fellowship if reference to past resolutions and practices is excluded, and, in effect, called for suspension of discussions if reference to official declarations and resolutions between 1955 and 1961 is not permitted. The Wisconsin Commission on Doctrinal Matters is adamant in its refusal to allow reference to past declarations and resolutions unless and until agreement in the principles of church fellowship is reached. Whether the impasse will be broken remains to be seen.

The Board of Doctrine had a thorough discussion with Pastor Herold Schulz of Golden, Colorado regarding the doctrines of the third use of the law and of church fellowship.

Pastor Schulz was found to be in complete doctrinal agreement with us. Both he and St. James Congregation of Golden, Colorado, after careful study of our fellowship principles, have declared themselves in full agreement with our position and expressed their sincere desire to enter into fellowship with the Church of the Lutheran Confession. They desire also immediately to support the work of the CLC with their gifts and their prayers.

Although they, for reasons of their own, are not ready at this time to make formal application for voting membership in the CLC, I was happy to extend the hand of fellowship to them in the name of the CLC.

May we be a blessing to the brethren in Golden, Colorado, and they to us.

Retirement and Resignations

Pastor Christian Albrecht, after 42 years of faithful service in the office of the holy ministry, retired from active service because of advancing years. May the Lord continue to give him health and strength to serve on a limited basis.

Pastor Kenneth Hallauer resigned from the office of the public ministry for personal reasons.

Pastor Karl Brandle resigned for reasons of health. It is his and our fervent prayer that he may soon again be able to return to the fulltime preaching ministry.

Mr. Ed. Radtke found it necessary to resign from the Board of Missions for reasons of health. We are deeply grateful to Mr. Radtke for the years of consecrated service which he rendered and pray that the Lord may grant him improved health.

Withdrawa1s

Pastor Elmer Boniek of Grand Blanc, Michigan, and Pastor Paul Bauer and Zion Congregation of North Platte, Nebraska have declared their withdrawal from our fellowship.

An Appea1

An appeal has been addressed to this convention by Mrs. Herman Klingsporn of North Platte, Nebraska. I suggest that the Moderator appoint a committee to consider this appeal and report its findings to the convention.

Anniversaries

October 1 to 8, 1967, Immanuel Congregation of Mankato, Minnesota celebrated its 100th anniversary.

Guest speakers were Prof. G. Radtke, Pastor Daniel Fleischer, and Pastor Paul Albrecht.

On June 16, 1968, Luther Memorial of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin observed the 35th anniversary of the ordination of Pastor Waldemar Schuetze. Guest speaker on the occasion was Pastor Ralph Schaller.

On July 28, 1968, Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church of Red Wing, Minnesota observed its 10th anniversary. Pastor George Barthels was the guest speaker.

Appointments

Mr. Walter Romberg was appointed to the Board of Trustees when Mr. Duane Riggert found it impossible to serve.

Pastor Marvin Eibs was appointed as Visitor of the Minnesota Conference to replace Pastor Paul Nolting who resigned when he accepted a call to West Columbia, S. C.

Prof. E. Schaller, Prof. R. Gurgel, and Pastor W. Schuetze were appointed as a special committee for doctrinal discussions with Pastor David Pfeiffer.

Pastor G. Sydow, Pastor H. Duehlmeier, and Mr. Jones of Mission, S.D. were appointed to consider an appeal of Mrs. H. Klingsporn.

The Spokane Convention resolved "that a planning committee be appointed by the president to set forth a realistic building program for ILC in keep with the needs and resources of the CLC."

The following were appointed: Prof. G. Radtke, Pastor Marvin Eibs, Mr. A. Gilbertson of Austin, Minnesota, Mr. Walter Romberg of Sleepy Eye, Minnesota, Mr. A. Salmala of Fridley, Minnesota, and Prof. C. M. Gullerud.

A Ways and Means Committee was appointed to report to the convention in the event that favorable action is taken on the proposals of the Planning Committee. This committee consists of Pastor Robert Reim, Pastor Arvid Gullerud, and Mr. Charles Sandeen of Red Wing, Minnesota.

Pastor Rollin Reim was appointed editor of the CLC Directory.

Pastor Winfred Schaller was appointed to preach the sermon for the communion service.

Prof. Paul Koch was appointed as convention chaplain and speaker in the closing service.

Mr. Alvin Wendt, a certified public accountant, was appointed to audit all financial records of the CLC. He has kindly consented to do this without charge.

Ordinations and Installations

Prof. G. Radtke was installed as member of the seminary faculty of ILC by Pastor Egbert Albrecht on Nov. 27, 1966.

Pastor David Lau was installed as pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church of Bowdle, S. D. by Pastor Leland Grams on Dec. 4, 1966.

Pastor Bertram Naumann was installed Dec. 29, 1966 as pastor of Messiah Lutheran Church of Milwaukee, Wisconsin by Pastor Egbert Albrecht.

Pastor Robert Reim was installed by Pastor Daniel Fleischer as pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Mankato, Minnesota Jan. 8, 1967.

Pastor James Sandeen was installed as pastor of Calvary Lutheran Church of Marquette, Michigan April 9, 1967 by Pastor Paul Fleischer.

Candidate John Schierenbeck was ordained and installed as pastor of Gethsemane Lutheran Church of Spokane, Washington on June 11, 1967 by Pastor M. J. Witt.

Pastor Paul F. Nolting was installed as pastor of Holy Trinity Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church of West Columbia, S. C. by Pastor Martin Galstad on June 11, 1967.

Pastor George Barthels was installed as pastor of Grace Lutheran Church of Sleepy Eye, Minnesota by Pastor H. Duehlmeier on July 2, 1967.

Candidate John Pfeiffer was ordained and installed as pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Mankato, Minnesota on July 9, 1967 by Pastor Robert Reim.

Pastor Robert Mackensen was installed as pastor of Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church of Red Wing, Minnesota on July 23, 1967 by Prof. John Lau.

Pastor Michael Sydow was installed as pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Winner, South Dakota by Pastor Paul Larsen on October 22, 1967.

Pastor H. Rutz was installed as pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church of Clarkston, Washington and of Peace Lutheran Church of Orofino, Idaho on Nov. 5, 1967 by Pastor M. J. Witt.

Pastor N. R. Carlson was installed as pastor of Our Savior's Lutheran Church of Jamestown, North Dakota on Dec. 25, 1967 by Pastor David Lau.

Pastor Paul Fleischer was installed as pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran Church of Phoenix, Arizona by Pastor Christian Albrecht on March 31, 1968.

Candidate Robert Mehltretter was ordained and installed as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church of Millston, Wisconsin on June 30, 1968 by Pastor Adalbert Geiger.

Pastor Jonathan Schaller was installed as pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Green Garden, Michigan by Pastor James Sandeen on July 7, 1968.

Candidate David Schierenbeck was ordained and installed as pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Chicago, Illinois on July 14, 1968 by Pastor Bertram Naumann.

Mr. Gerhardt Voigt was installed as teacher of Faith Lutheran School of Markesan, Wisconsin on July 21, 1968 by Pastor Egbert Albrecht.

Applications for Membership

The following have made application for membership in the Church of the Lutheran Confession: Pastor John Schierenbeck, Pastor John Pfeiffer, Pastor David Schierenbeck, Pastor Robert Mehltretter, Teacher Leif Olmanson, Teacher Walter Priebe, Teacher Gerhardt Voigt, Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church of Chicago, Illinois and Bethel Ev. Lutheran Church of Houston, Texas.

Revision of Constitution

Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church of Winter Haven, Florida is submitting its revised constitution for approval.

Memoria1s

Memorials have been submitted by the Conference of Visitors, the Minnesota Pastoral Conference, and the West Central Delegate Conference.

Essays

Professor Egbert Schaller has consented to deliver an essay on the subject of The Virtue of Christian Sobriety.

Mr. Frank Paull, Jr. will speak on the Savior's injunction: "Feed My Lambs; Feed My Sheep."

Conclusion

As we now address ourselves to the various tasks which the Lord has laid before this convention, we will again and again have to think of the words of St. Paul: A great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries. We thank God for the many great doors and effectual

which He has opened to us. By setting so many wide open doors for useful service in His kingdom before us our God has greatly honored us. What greater honor could possibly be conferred on us poor sinners while we are still in this evil world than to be called by the God of our salvation to proclaim His grace and mercy to the fallen and lost children of men and so to be workers together with God in the blessed work of gathering God's elect into His glorious, eternal, heavenly kingdom through faith in our exalted Redeemer! There, of course, are many adversaries, many obstacles and difficulties. But adversaries, obstacles and difficulties shall never discourage and dishearten us. Rather, they shall spur us on to labor all the more diligently in the supreme confidence that what the Lord asks of us He will give us the strength to accomplish.

My prayer is that the God of peace sanctify and consecrate you through and through and that your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blame-less unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it.

Paul Albrecht, President

REPORT OF COMMITTEE #2: PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE AND REPORT

Church conventions in our day often make pronouncements concerning the social problems besetting the world. They render opinions on civil rights, the crime in our streets, birth control and the war in Viet Nam. We are happy to hear in the President's report what the business of our Church really is and should be, namely, the work of spreading the glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We also believe that it is good for us to be reminded of the difficulties with which we are continually confronted because of our sinful flesh. We need to be admonished and exhorted to fight daily and relentlessly against our old Adam as we go about the work God has set before us.

It is right and proper that we look back with thankful hearts upon the past 8 years as a time when the Lord has showered upon us tremendous, undeserved blessings in doing this work. In this connection we note with joy that several congregations took advantage of the opportunity to render special thanks to the Lord of the Church for proclaiming His pure and true Word in their midst, one of them for 100 years. We acknowledge with Jacob: "I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth, which Thou hast showed unto Thy servant; for with my staff I passed over this Jordan; and now I am become two bands." (Genesis 32:10)

We further agree with our President that in thankfulness for God's blessings we should ever press forward in our work. We should take to heart the exhortation of our President to make a better and fuller use of the opportunities and gifts God has given us. For the Lord has given us the finest opportunities to serve Him, and we should trust in His unwavering help to see us through the difficulties and obstacles confronting us. If we only cling to His Holy Word of Truth in all our teachings and life, and fervently ask for His blessings, we need not fear whatever the future may hold. We say with Paul: "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch

as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." (I Cor. 15:58)

We recommend the ratification of the appointments made by the President.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPEAL

In the matter of the appeal to this convention made by Mrs. H. W. Klingsporn, North Platte, Nebraska:

- 1. We concur with the former committee that there were mistakes and misunderstandings on both sides of the controversy.
- 2. Since the pastor and two remaining voting members of the congregation of which the appellants were members have severed their connections with the CLC, it is impossible to settle the matter and effect a reconciliation between the parties involved.
- 3. In response to the appeal, the committee appointed by this convention finds that Mrs. Klingsporn and the children are eligible for communicant membership in any CLC congregation. This implies that the name of Dorcas Klingsporn, so far as the committee can determine, is innocent of any character blemish that may have been inferred from the withdrawal of her pastor's recommendation of her as an acceptable student at Immanuel Lutheran College.

M. Galstad

R. Rehm

L. Wehrwein

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DOCTRINE

Dear Brethren:

In the work to which the Board of Doctrine gave its attention during the past biennium the major concern remained, as before, the continuing problems involved in the contacts with the representatives of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod.

Since the time of our convention in August of 1966 only one meeting with Wisconsin's Commission on Doctrinal Matters has been held. This was on December 19 and 20, 1966. Since the outcome of that meeting has been reported in detail to the pastors of our churches as well as at pastoral and delegate conferences, we shall at this time rehearse the results only briefly.

Although the Board of Doctrine endeavored to shape the discussions with the Wisconsin representatives at the December meeting in full conformity with the views expressed by our 1966 convention, the effort was only partially successful. We had reason to believe, or hope, that the WELS representatives would admit references to past history in the discussions; yet we were met with firm, vigorous objections to such procedure,

and the reaction to our written list of references was unsatisfactory. Essentially the conversations were limited to a discussion of the published documents of WELS and CLC on the principles of church fellowship; and the results were wholly inconclusive. The members of the Wisconsin Commission professed agreement in principle with the CLC confession "Concerning Church Fellowship," yet rejected our critique of the WELS theses. Their refusal to hear supporting evidence from the pronouncements and resolutions of their Synod issued between 1955 and 1961, upon which the charges of the CLC were based, led to an impasse.

At the close of those meetings certain questions were directed to the Board of Doctrine with the suggestion that we might wish to reply to them in writing and discuss the replies in a subsequent meeting with the Commission. Our answer to this proposal was considered at length in the following weeks, and a drafted reply was sent to President Naumann on April 17, 1967. Herein we agreed to discuss the following questions with the Commission on the basis of a prepared brief:

- 1. What place does Scripture ascribe to admonition in dealing with a brother who has fallen into error?
- 2. What is the CLC's understanding of the present participle in Roman's 16:17 in view of the CLC's objection to the use of the expression "persistent" when describing those causing divisions and offenses?

Your Board agreed to this procedure because the WELS representative had declared their acceptance of principles set forth in "Concerning Church Fellowship" and because it was important that this declaration be put to the test. To that end, however, we also stipulated that the discussions be carried on in connection with whatever review of Wisconsin's official resolutions and declarations, 1955-1961, seemed necessary.

President Naumann acknowledged receipt of our proposal on April 25, stating that the letter would be laid before the Commission on April 24. No further reaction was received until the arrival of a letter dated August 14, followed by a briefer message dated August 15. These communications indicated that the Wisconsin Commission would welcome a written reply from us to the questions proposed, but rejected our stipulation that the documents and the subsequent discussion be open to references to official Wisconsin Synod pronouncements and actions between 1955 and 1961.

President Albrecht replied on October 6. The essence of the answer lies in the following paragraph:

"Please allow me to say once again that our Board of Doctrine is ready to meet with your Commission on Doctrinal Matters to discuss the issues that lie between us, also to supply written documentation in advance of such a meeting, provided that your Commission does not in advance rule out references to the official pronouncements and resolutions which we will have to submit as evidence to support our charges."

On January 26, 1968 President Naumann replied. His answer seemed to us to open a door through which we might escape from the deadlock. One paragraph reads:

"We have asked that the alleged doctrinal deviation be defined. If we are mistaken in assuming that we have not as yet received from your

Board of Doctrine a written and precise definition of our alleged doctrinal deviation on the principles of church fellowship, then direct us to such definition."

The Board of Doctrine prepared a response to this request in the form of a document, a copy of which is appended to this report. All correspondence referred to above is also available for the attention of the Convention Floor Committee. We are awaiting developments. It may be necessary to submit a supplementary report to the Convention.

Numerous meetings of the Board of Doctrine were held during the biennium, not only for consultation in the Wisconsin Synod matter but for other situations that called for attention. On June 5, 1967 a special committee of the Board met with Pastor D. L. Pfeiffer of Arlington, Mass. for a doctrinal discussion. The interview has since been followed by correspondence between Pastor Pfeiffer and the Board's chairman; but no conclusions can or need be reported. On August 20, 1967 the Board met with Pastor Cone of Withrow, Washington for an interview and colloquy. The colloquy has not been completed.

Much of the work of the Board was found in correspondence with brethren who had suggestions to make or doctrinal questions to discuss. Attendance at our meetings was frequently restricted to members of the Board in close proximity to Eau Claire, because of distance and because issues sometimes arose which did not allow for time to plan meetings in advance. Many hours were spent in discussions which are not registered in a report such as this, partly because the concerns were those of indi-viduals and partly because they do not require attention from the Convention. Being preoccupied with such matters and busy with their individual responsibilities, the members of the Board were not able to continue work on the completion of historical sources for an archive of documentation bearing on the origin of our church body. We hope to resume this duty when the pressure of work permits.

To The Commission on Doctrinal Matters, WELS - April 1968:

In a communication to President Paul Albrecht under date of January 26, 1968, President O. J. Naumann made the following statement:

"We have asked that the alleged doctrinal deviation (i.e., of the WELS) be defined. If we are mistaken in assuming that we have not as yet received from your Board of Doctrine a written and precise definition of our alleged doctrinal deviation on the principles of church fellowship, then please direct us to such definition."

In response to this request we herewith submit a precise, documented presentation of the error with which CLC has charged the WELS; specifically, the stated position of the WELS with reference to termination of church fellowship. It is our prayerful hope that our effort may find a just and effective response in all who share our concern for the cause of truth and unity.

In its document entitled "Church Fellowship" as ratified by the convention of 1961 the WELS defined its position on the phase of termination of church fellowship with which we are concerned in the following statement:

"We can no longer recognize and treat as Christian brethren those who in spite of patient admonition persistently adhere to an error in doctrine

or practice, demand recognition for their error, and make propaganda for it. Gal. 1:8-9; 5:9; Matt. 7:15-19; II Tim. 2:17-19; II John 9-11; Romn. 16:17-18." (B. 5b)

This statement of principle is in keeping with the design of the presentation "Church Fellowship" as well as with the practice of the WELS in its more recent history, both of which fail to make a proper distinction between the weak brother and the false teacher. Although the passages cited to undergird the statement of principle consistently have reference to the teachers or purveyors of error, one's responsibility toward such is equated with treatment properly accorded those who ignorantly or inadvertently and privately embrace error.

As a result, the WELS places its Scriptural description of proper dealing with a sinning brother (Matt. 18:17; I Cor. 5:1-6) in juxtaposition to the problem posed by false teachers, and accordingly argues that these may be avoided only after patient admonition has failed and the false teachers demand recognition for their error and make propaganda for it."
(B. 5, a.b.)

By thus taking a procedure which is prescribed for dealing with a brother who sins in weakness and applying it to the situation created by the activities of false teachers and their adherents, the WELS document not only violates the directive of Romans 16:17-18, but defends a teaching and practice which defeats a stated purpose of that passage, namely, that such causers of divisions and offenses are to be avoided particularly also lest "by good words and fair speeches they deceive the hearts of the simple."

Thus, contrary to all the elements of this basic passage, an unscriptural position was crystallized in thetical form by the presentation "Church Fellowship" and by the synod's acceptance of this document. Moreover, the error had become evident in the synod's dealing with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in the years 1955-1961, as well as in the previous years. Here the WELS was faced, not simply with weak brethren, but with errorists who taught contrary to God's Word, persisted in their error over a period of years, made propaganda for it and thus caused divisions and offenses contrary to the doctrine. A synod must deal with another synod as a body, not with individuals of that synod. And a church body is judged by its public doctrine. (cf. Brief Statement, #28). The WELS knew this and passed judgment upon Missouri's public doctrine as early as 1953, yet continued with what, for want of a better expression, we have come to call "the weak brother approach."

In the Presidential report to the 1955 convention of the WELS at Saginaw we find the following evaluation of the heterodox state of the Missouri Synod:

". . . differences in practice have increased and multiplied . . . The differences that have arisen between us . . . have not been removed. They have increased . . . and still are vigorously defended . . . We have reached the conviction that through these differences divisions and offenses have been caused contrary to the doctrine which we have learned. And when that is the case, the Lord our God has a definite command for us: 'Avoid them!'" (Proceedings, p. 13).

Yet in the second-last paragraph of the report the convention was told:

'We implore the Holy Spirit to guide and direct us as we try to decide in the face of all the reports whether the Lord would now have us apply His definite command 'Avoid them!' or whether we still have an unpaid debt of love to those whose fellowship we cherished so many years." (Proceedings, p. 14).

Despite this suggestion of available alternatives in dealing with an erroristic church body, the report of the Standing Committee in Matters of Church Union read in part:

"We have, however, arrived at the firm conviction that, because of the divisions and offenses that have been caused . . . further post-ponement of a decision would be a violation of the apostolic injunction of Romans 16:17 . . ." (Proceedings, p. 79).

Nevertheless a majority of the members of the Standing Committe accepted the decision of the convention to postpone the action of declaring a termination of fellowship relations, while wholly agreeing with its Floor Committee that

". , the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod has created divisions and offenses by its official resolutions, policies and practices not in accord with Scripture . . ."

We recite such well-known pronouncements, not in a spirit of recrimination, but as the basis for our conviction that such a disposition of the matter could in good conscience be made only through a failure in understanding that the issue before the WELS was not that of weak brethren, but of a false-teaching, false-practicing church body. This failure remained consistently in evidence through a series of subsequent official expressions.

After the 1956 convention of the WELS a presidential communication to pastors said in part:

"It was the conviction of the Synod . . . that we are not to avoid the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod at this time as the application of Romans 16:17 and 18 would demand, but that the members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are truly our brethren still, to whom we owe the admonition spoken of in II Thess. 3:14 and 15. We intend, therefore, without declaring a severance of fellowship, to continue in fellowship, but in a 'vigorously protesting fellowship' . . . And yet this admonition by word and action is to be given in the spirit of love, seeking to win from the error of his ways the brother for whom Christ also shed His sacred blood."

Subsequent to the 1957 convention of the WELS the <u>Northwestern</u> <u>Lutheran</u> stated:

"The official position of our synod is that in 1955 we were not sure beyond the shadow of a doubt that the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod intended to persist in those resolutions and policies which were causing divisions and offenses, that we wanted the convention in 1956 to bring in the evidence which would either settle the question or make further investigation necessary. The latter happened." (NW, 4/17/58. Underscoring ours).

Again, the Northwestern Lutheran in its issue of May 11, 1958, said:

"Division-makers, creators of offense, false prophets, heretics and the disorderly are to be summarily dealt with and avoided when admonition proves futile." (Underscoring ours).

Ultimately the WELS failed to dissent from the formal expression of a doctrinal principle in the words of a "Report to the Protest Committee:"

"Termination of church fellowship is called for when you have reached the conviction that admonition is of no further avail and that the erring brother or church body demands recognition for their error." (1959 Proceedings, p. 210; 211-212).

The WELS and CLC agree that God's Word forbids our entering a fellowship relation with a church body that publicly professes and teaches
error. The question dividing CLC from the WELS is whether the directives
of Scripture admit of a continuing fellowship relation, protesting or
otherwise, with a church body known and acknowledged to be engaged in the
teaching of error and in unscriptural practice, while a protracted course
of admonition is being pursued.

The WELS has defended such a course of action; the CLC, distinguishing as Scripture does between false teachers and the weak, erring Christian, rejects such a policy. Therefore its confession "Concerning Church Fellowship" says:

"We further reject the teaching that errorists and their followers are to be avoided only when they no longer listen to admonition, or that we are to remain in fellowship with errorists as long as we think there is hope that they might give up their errors."

"Though the teaching Church is ever an admonishing Church, we reject the opinion that separation from errorists is dependent upon the course of admonition." C. C. F., Epitome, p. 42 d.e.

We ask that these antitheses be studied in the light of the presentation on page 28 seq., paragraph 61 ff.

Supplementary Report

In a communication dated June 13, 1968, President O. J. Naumann forwarded to President Albrecht and the Board of Doctrine a preliminary reply of the WELS Commission on Doctrinal Matters in reaction to our Presentation. The communication reads as follows:

"Dear President Albrecht:

In response to your letter of April 6 and to the enclosed 'precise, documented presentation of the error with which the CLC has charged the WELS' (Introduction to the April 1968 document), it was resolved by our Commission 'that a brief summary of our reaction to the CLC communication of April 1968 be transmitted to the CLC Board of Doctrine with the promise of furnishing more details following the next meeting of our Commission.' Our next meeting has been set for August 12 and 13.

In short our reaction was recorded in the minutes of the Commission as follows:

'(1) That the CLC letter had dwelt on historical developments which we cannot evaluate jointly with the CLC unless agreement in principles has first been established;

- '(2) That our fellowship principles had not first been crystallized in 1961, but had been publicly delineated in print some years prior to 1961 and had at that time also been shared by members of the CLC
- '(3) That the CLC communication of April 1968 ascribes a position to our Synod which we have heretofore clearly repudiated, and that the communication therefore does not define a doctrinal deviation which we can recognize.' (Minutes of the Commission on Doctrinal Matters May 3, 1968.)

I am confident that you would prefer to receive this prior to your August convention.

Sincerely yours, (signed) Oscar J. Naumann

We refrain from making a final and conclusive evaluation of the Commission's reaction until the promised supplement has been received and studied.

With regard to the three points listed in the above reply of the Commission the Board of Doctrine wishes to make the following observations:

A. The reaction expressed in (1) reverts to a presupposition set by the WELS for discussion of the historical developments upon which the original CLC charge of error was based. (Cf. CLC Convention Proceedings, Spokane 1966, p. 19.) It contends that our presentation of April 1968 dwelt on historical developments.

It is our contention, however, that our presentation primarily addressed itself to the principles and to their exposition in the WELS fellowship document. Historical references were introduced for the necessary purpose of confirming and illustrating our understanding of that exposition and its application in practice.

- B. If indeed we are to honor the repudiation of the alleged error as set forth in (3), we would need to be further assured, either that the earlier statements and actions of the WELS which espoused and defended that error are also now repudiated, or that we have incorrectly defined the error contained in those statements and actions. For error there was, both in expression of principle and in practice. If that error is now rejected by the WELS, we have cause for great rejoicing.
- C. As for the argument in (2) of the reply, a careful reading of our Presentation will show that we did not make the claim that the WELS fellowship principles had "first" been crystallized in 1961. The word "first" is not found in our document. Moreover we must regard as irrelevant the allegation that at one time some present members of the CLC shared those principles. If the principles are unscriptural, anyone who shares them at any time is to that extent in error. And to our best knowledge no responsible Christian who was a member of the CLC since its beginnings has at any time implied that he or she is entirely guiltless in the sorry situation that exists between us and our former cherished affiliation. It is this very state of affairs which should make both us and the WELS willing to do all in our power to end this unhappy situation.

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Report of meetings held with representatives of the Concordia Lutheran Conference, May 14-15, 1968.

At the request of the Concordia Lutheran Conference, the Board of Doctrine met with representatives of that church body to discuss doctrinal differences which stand in the way of fellowship between the two synods. Meetings were held on May 14th and 15th, 1968 at Immanuel Lutheran College. The Concordia Lutheran Conference was represented by Pastors H. D. Mensing, E. L. Mehlberg, O. W. Schaeffer and Messrs. Bloedel and Schmitt. The Church of the Lutheran Confession was represented by President P. G. Albrecht, Professors E. Schaller, E. Reim, and C. M. Gullerud.

The discussion centered upon the doctrine of Church and Ministry with special reference to the meaning of EKKLESIA (Church) in the New Testament. The Concordia Lutheran Conference representatives held that the term "Church" in the New Testament is used in a large number of passages to designate the visible church, believers and hypocrites. The CLC representatives on the other hand held that in the passages brought into evidence for this position, the term "Church" is used of the believers either as the Holy Christian Church as a whole or of believers in certain groupings. Both sides did agree that whenever the term "Church" appears in ecclesiastical literature as a designation for the visible church it is used in a derived or in a so-called "improper" sense. However, there was no agreement reached on the New Testament use of the term in the passages listed by the Concordia Lutheran Conference men to substantiate their view. It was quite evident from the discussion that the Concordia Lutheran Conference representatives regarded the local congregation as the only divinely instituted grouping and the pastoral ministry as the only divinely instituted form of the public ministry. On the other hand, the CLC representatives held that other formal groupings in Jesus' name for the glorification of God and work in His kingdom are, because of their nature and purpose, as surely "church" as the local congregation; furthermore that the public ministry as a divine institution is not restricted to the one form of the pastoral office. On these matters no agreement was reached at the meetings held.

The meetings were cordial and the wish was expressed that after study of the material covered at the sessions of mid-May, further meetings might be held in the future.

Second Supplementary Report

On April 24, 1968 and upon their request for an interview, the Board of Doctrine met with Pastor Herold Schulz of Golden, Colorado, and Mr. Hartmeister, a member of the congregation served by Pastor Schulz. Representing the Board of Doctrine were Professors C. M. Gullerud and E. Schaller, Pastor Paul Nolting, President Paul Albrecht, and Prof. E. Reim as advisory member.

The meeting began at 10:45 A.M. and was continued in the afternoon. It began with a discussion of the Third Use of the Law and the purpose it is to serve. The exploration of this question yielded the firm impression that agreement existed.

The matter of church fellowship was also reviewed on the basis of our confession "Concerning Church Fellowship." The Board of Doctrine accepted the assurance of the representatives from Golden that they were

in full accord with the convictions of the CLC.

There being no other known areas of possible or alleged doctrinal difference between the two groups represented by the conferees, the judgment was mutually expressed that we could properly consider ourselves confessionally united.

The Board of Doctrine: Paul G. Albrecht, President

E. Schaller, Chairman

C. M. Gullerud, Secretary

P. F. Nolting

G. Sydow

E. Reim (Advisory)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE #1: DOCTRINE

CLC-WELS Relations

We are grateful that the course of events in the discussions which our Board of Doctrine has had with the WELS Commission on Doctrinal Matters has made it possible for testimony to be given regarding the errors with which we have charged the WELS.

We regret, however, that what our Board regards as a presentation that primarily addressed itself to the principles and to their exposition in the WELS fellowship document (Church Fellowship 1961) appears to have been regarded by the WELS Commission as dealing with past official statements and resolutions which they have refused to evaluate jointly with us unless agreement in principles has first been established. It is this response that has elicited President Albrecht's comment in his report that an impasse appears to have been reached, the same type of unfortunate impasse that previously existed at the close of the December 1966 meeting with the WELS Commission.

WHEREAS we have received a communication from the WELS relative to our Board of Doctrine's April 1968 Statement, promising more details,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we await the promised reply from the WELS and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we leave it to the discretion of the Board of Doctrine when to insist upon the right to make references to past official statements and resolutions in its relations with WELS.

Withdrawals

We acknowledge with deep regrets that, as reported by our president, Pastor E. Boniek of Grand Blanc, Michigan and Pastor H. P. Bauer and Zion Congregation of North Platte, Nebraska have declared their withdrawal from fellowship with the CLC.

Discussions and Colloquy

We encourage the Board of Doctrine to continue its discussions with

Pastor D. L. Pfeiffer of Arlington, Mass. in the hope that fellowship may be established between him and us.

We hope that the colloquy with Pastor Cone of Withrow, Washington will lead to complete agreement in doctrine and practice.

We note that our Board of Doctrine has met with representatives of the Concordia Lutheran Conference to discuss doctrinal differences between us. We recognize as unscriptural the position of the Concordia Lutheran Conference in the doctrine of Church and Ministry that the local congregation is the only divinely instituted grouping and the pastoral ministry is the only divinely instituted form of the public ministry. We therefore recommend to our Board of Doctrine that further discussions with the Concordia Lutheran Conference be focused on these errors, in the fervent hope that scriptural agreement can be reached.

We approve of the action of our President in extending the hand of fellowship to Pastor Herold Schulz and St. James Congregation of Golden, Colorado. We rejoice in their readiness to support the work of the CLC immediately with their gifts and prayers, although they are not availing themselves of voting membership at this time.

We acknowledge gratefully the work the Board of Doctrine has done in other areas mentioned in their report.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF ILC

"The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." Psalm 126:3.

Immanuel Lutheran College represents one of the great things that the Lord has done for us. It is not only the attractive campus, the growing student body, and the expanding facilities to which we refer, but to His Word which is taught here unchallenged by faithful teachers; and the Ministry of His Word which is furthered here through consecrated students. For this we are truly grateful to the Lord. He has done great things for us; whereof we are glad.

The Board of Regents met fifteen times during the biennium to carry out the duties assigned to it by the CLC.

In response to the convention's recommendation to have Professor E. Reim serve our Seminary, the Board called him to teach a course in New Testament Exegesis and such other subjects that would be agreed upon. We are pleased to report that Professor Reim's health has been exceptionally good, and we are grateful for his services.

On November 27, 1966, Professor Gordon Radtke was installed as a member of the Seminary faculty to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Professor Reim.

Prior to the opening of the 1967-68 school year, the Lord through death took from our midst the beloved wife of Professor Egbert Schaller. Mrs. Schaller was the gifted instructress of our piano students. This loss has been keenly felt in our school. The Board of Regents asked Miss Ruth Eibs of St. Paul to serve as piano teacher during the year.

Professor Robert Dommer and his family are now housed on campus. When fire destroyed their home, the Board of Trustees took immediate action to provide a seventh professorage on campus. Professor Dommer occupies this new home.

There have been several changes in our service personnel. Mr. Amil Ulrich became our caretaker when Mr. Gilbert Radichel found it necessary to terminate his work. Mrs. Kuhlman became second cook in the place of Mrs. John Schierenbeck.

Mrs. Anne Schaller has asked to be relieved of her House Mother duties at the end of the 1967-1968 school year. The Board has asked her to continue her work as school secretary and librarian for the coming school year. A replacement is being sought for the dormitory.

Mrs. Tauger has served as chief cook for the past two years. The Board has engaged her for the coming year.

The Board recommends that the salaries of the professors be increased \$25 per month and that child subsidy begin with the first child. This will enable the professors to meet in a somewhat better way the rising costs of living.

Because the salary scale of our service personnel is so low, it is almost embarrassing to ask people to work for the amount we offer. It is the Board's hope that this situation can be improved.

By directive of the Spokane Convention, the ILC budget has been divided into educational and auxiliary services. The auxiliary services have been made self-supporting by an increase of \$5 per month in the students' room and board fees.

It has become necessary to replace the boilers in In gram Hall with a new gas-oil unit purchased at low bid of \$4308. The emergency necessitating this purchase also led the Board to consider it wise to convert the Annex boiler to gas-oil (\$753) and to lay the necessary gas piping (\$900) to obtain interruptable service. Half of the \$4308 cost is to be requisitioned from the 1967-68 budget and the rest from the 1968-69 budget. The Board has taken action only on the new boiler in Ingram Hall.

Ways and means have been studied to avoid a possible emergency in our water system. The addition of professorages to the system has taxed the well and the pumping eqipment considerably. A survey showed that our water supply should be adequate for the present needs. The problem lies with the pumping of it.

By means of volunteer labor the south side of Ingram Hall was painted in the summer of 1967. Another painting bee is scheduled for July 1-12, 1968. The roof of the building will need replacement in the near future and the Board is including \$2500 in the budget for the second half of the biennium for this improvement. There is a sizeable amount of upkeep necessary on our property that ought not to be neglected until a major problem develops. Additional service help would be a good investment.

The Board gratefully acknowledged receipt of 25 metal folding chairs during the past school year from an anonymous donor. The Board wishes to express its appreciation to those who remember the school with such gifts.

The athletic field was graded at a reasonable cost. Much more work could be done on it.

The increased enrollment at ILC emphasized the need that has been before our convention in previous sessions, namely for a gymnasium-assembly area, and additional classroom, dining, and dormitory facilities. Early registrations for 1968-69 indicate an even greater enrollment and a greater taxing of our limited facilities. This very serious problem will become more acute all the time that we are forced to operate without benefit of additional facilities. This immediate, growing problem needs our most earnest attention. At the present time we are crowded to the extent of having to house students in the basements of professorages. The professors made improvements in their homes at their own expense. They are being subsidized for keeping the students.

The following assignments were issued: Professor John Lau was asked to serve as Dean of Students; Professor Robert Dommer as principal of the high school. These two-year terms began July 1, 1967.

Supplementary Report

The Board of Regents is pleased to report that Professor E. Reim has again accepted the call to teach in our Seminary for the coming year.

The Board is also happy to report that Professor Paul Koch has accepted the position of Dean of Students. He will complete the term of Professor John Lau, who was forced to give up this assignment for reasons of health. The Board acknowledges with thanks the fine work that Professor Lau did as our scholl's first Dean of Students.

Professor C. M. Gullerud has accepted the two year appointment as Dean of the Seminary, and Professor Roland Gurgel has accepted another two year appointment as Dean of the College. The Board is pleased to announce the acceptance of these appointments.

The office of President of Immanuel Lutheran College, a two year position, will be filled during the convention from the list of nominees that appeared in the July issue of the <u>Lutheran Spokesman</u>. (Professor C. M. Gullerud was called and has accepted. Ed.)

Mrs. Eleanore Gullerud, who taught typing and business subjects to our students for the past five years, has asked to be relieved of her work. Mrs. Gullerud gave up much of her personal time in the afternoon and evenings to offer these business courses to our students. We are grateful to her for serving our school, especially since she did so at a very meager salary. So far, no replacement for Mrs. Gullerud has been found.

The position of Housemother is still vacant for the coming school year. This poses a very serious problem for our school at a time when dormitory enrollment will reach an all-time high. The Board urgently requests the convention to suggest names of qualified women to fill this position.

The Board has asked the faculty to consider the feasibility of using other schools of the CLC, besides Messiah School of Eau Claire, in the teacher-training program.

Rising food costs have made it necessary to increase the room and board fee for students from \$55\$ to \$60 per month.

With the new rate of \$60 for room and board in effect, anticipated room and board receipts for the year are now estimated at \$46,375.00 instead of \$43,000.00. This lowers the anticipated subsidy needed for the year from \$33,820.00 to \$30, $\dot{4}\dot{4}5.00$, almost \$3,000.00 less than was needed during the 1967-68 school year.

In the interest of reducing the subsidy that is annually requested for the educational section of the ILC budget, the Board resolved to recommend to the Convention that the tuition for the college students taking the general course (not preparing for the public preaching or teaching ministry in the Church) be increased from \$250 to \$300 beginning with the 1969-70 school year.

The Board is concerned about unpaid student accounts at ILC. These accounts have a substantial effect on the financial operation of the school. During the 1967-68 school year these unpaid accounts amounted to \$6,049.00. Old accounts from the years 1963-67 still amount to \$6,360.00. Some parents have made arrangements with the college to retire student accounts in a systematic manner. The Board would like to see similar arrangements made by all those who have old accounts with the school.

Last summer, and again this summer, volunteer workers spent several weeks on campus painting the exterior of Ingram Hall, the Ambulatory, and the Annex. They rendered a valuable service to our school, and we thank them for it.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE

In a period when so much instability, insecurity, and confusion prevails among the young people of our land and when educators and parents are often groping for a solution to the problems that confront them, it is good to stop and count the blessings we enjoy in the ministry of reconciliation as it is being carried out in the field of Christian Education. Where the spiritual standards which guide and uphold are unchanged and unchanging, we can expect to find security! Where the final goals and purposes are ever the same, we can expect to find order and vision! While some may say that we are so occupied with a world-view that points to the heavenly mansions that we do not become involved in the here-and-now, we make no apologies since we know that he who receives his wisdom from its very source shall be making the greatest contribution both in the spiritual as well as in the secular spheres of his activity. At a time when school administrators are beginning to incorporate into their planning the possibility of a future drop in enrollment for various and logical reasons, we have been given reason to hope for increased enrollments at ILC for the years to come. This we see as a result of growth in the conviction that Christian Education on all levels is necessary and urgent. Furthermore, in proportion to the growth of our church body it is evident that there will be increasing demands for trained and qualified workers. Consequently the facilities of our school will be called upon to accommodate more and more students. All of these factors should enter into our planning as we look ahead.

Since the present report covers a biennial period, an opportunity is given to examine the enrollment pattern as it comes to view in two school years, 1966-67 and 1967-68. To the Co-ordinating Council and to the constituency of the CLC I reported in the spring of 1967 that the over-all enrollment for ILC for the school year 1966-67 was the highest in the history of the institution. We served a total of 102 students during the course of that year. The school year closed with 70 students in the High School, 22 students in the College, and 5 students in the Seminary. Now I can report for 1967-68 that we enjoyed an increase of 20% over the record enrollment of the previous year, and if we are to judge by the advance registrations for the

school year 1968-69, it would appear that we will enjoy still another increase. For the 1967-68 school year the enrollment reached an all-time high of 124 students. Of these, ten students were with us only a part of the school year. The over-all total was distributed as follows: High School - 83, College - 38, Seminary = 3. 17 students will graduate from High School this year, 2 from the two-year terminal college course, 5 from the three-year college course, and 2 from the seminary. Besides the two who are candidates for the pastoral ministry, three students are being presented to the church as candidates for the teaching ministry and three students will advance to the Seminary (including two special students, one of them on a part-time basis). It is quite evident that the need for encouraging young people to train for the teaching and preaching ministries is great and requires our earnest attention, both on the home base as well as at our college. Our students are not immune to the attractions that tempt them to give up plans to prepare for the ministry in favor of more lucrative positions offered in the field of secular employment. A spirit of consecration and self-sacrifice needs to be engendered if we are to maintain the numerical level of trained workers that will be needed.

In September 1967 Pastor Gordon Radtke was installed as professor to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Prof. E. Reim, who asked to be relieved for reasons of health. I am happy to report that Prof. Rein has regained such health and strength that he has been able to serve on a limited basis as was authorized by the Spokane Convention. We are thankful that the Lord permits us to profit from the talents of our respected brother and colleague. The talents of Prof. Radtke are being used not only in the Seminary but also in the High School and College departments.

The faculty and student body of ILC are looking forward to the action of the CLC in regard to the building program that is being proposed. With the increase in enrollment it has been necessary to find housing for as many as 15 students outside the dormitories. Classroom, chapel, and dining hall facilities are over-crowded and taxed beyond their several capacities. With no indoor arrangement for the physical education program and due to the lack of space for students to gather in their free time, campus living presents its serious problems. This becomes especially apparent when one considers the over-crowded conditions prevailing in the dormitories. We are therefore anxiously hoping that the CLC may expeditiously make the necessary provisions to fill these very real and very pressing needs.

Since the number of pastors registered for the summer seminar was insufficient to meet the expenses involved, it was necessary to cancel the meeting. However, it is hoped that the seminar program may be continued with certain provisions made so we can go forward even with a limited number of participants. It has also been suggested that a program be developed which would be of service to both pastors and teachers.

We are grateful for the gifts that have been presented to the college by its many friends. Some of these have come as memorial gifts and others as special gifts from individuals, societies and congregations. To this report I now append a general accounting of such gifts for the period of April 15, 1966 - April 15, 1968:

| Emergency Fund | \$ 28.00 |
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| Gymnasium | 91.00 |
| Kitchen Equipment | 70.00 |
| Library, College | 568.25 (Includes Larry Doring Memorial) |
| Library, Seminary | 612.09 (Includes Fischer Memorial Fund) |
| Opaque Projector | 345.00 |
| Paint Fund | 270.33 |
| Phonics Sets | 40.00 |
| Frieda Schaller Memorial | 87.00 |
| Seminary Addition | 300.00 |
| Service Equipment | 977.43 (Garden tractor-mower and loader) |
| Student Christmas Collection | 31.00 |
| Vehicle Fund | 108.00 |
| Student Loan Fund | 415.00 |
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Besides the monetary gifts, substantial gifts of food also have been donated.

C. M. Gullerud

Proposed ILC Budget for 1968-1969 (Board of Regents)

| I. Edu | cational Budget: | |
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| | Salaries | |
| | Salary, Instructor 450.00 | |
| | Service WagesSecretary, Bookkeeper, | |
| 10. | Librarian 1,500.00 | |
| 1d. | Conference Travel 300.00 | |
| 2. | Professional Advancement | |
| 3. | Administration Expense | |
| 4. | Board of Regents Expense | |
| 5. | Athletic Program | |
| 6. | Classroom Equipment and Teaching Aids 1,000.00 | |
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| 8. | Equipment, Library and Administration | |
| | Maintenance . 500.00 | |
| 9. | Pianos and Typewriters 500.00 | |
| 10. | Office and Postage 600.00 | |
| 11. | Catalog and Printing 500.00 | |
| 12. | Fuel for classrooms and administration 1,000.00 | |
| 13. | Electric Power for classrooms and administration 800.00 | |
| 14. | Grounds Care and Building Maintenance | |
| | (professorages) 700.00 | |
| 15. | Building Improvement and Classroom Maintenance 500.00 | |
| 16. | Contingency | 51,990.00 |
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| | iliary Services: | |
| 17. | Services Wages | |
| 18. | Social Security 1,000.00 | |
| 19. | Dormitory Equipment 1,500.00 | |
| 20. | Building Improvement 500.00 | |
| 21. | Building Maintenance 5,300.00 | |
| 22. | Grounds Improvement 500.00 | |
| 23. | Grounds Care | |
| 24. | Fuelcooking and heating 2,500.00 | |
| 25. | Electric Power 1,700.00 | |
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| 29. | Janitor Supplies . | | | | 8 | | | | | | | | | | | 350.00 | |
| 30. | Equipment, Service | | | | | | 0 | | 0 | | | 0 | | | | 500.00 | |
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| 32. | Tractor and Truck Fu | Je. | 1 | | | | | | | 9 | | | | | 0 | 400.00 | |
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Egbert Albrecht - Chairman of the Board of Regents

REPORT OF COMMITTEE #3: IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE

Board of Regents Report

We commend the Board for its diligent work during the past biennium, and encourage the Board to find ways of improving the low salary scale paid our service personnel.

We concur with the Board that the faculty consider the feasibility of using other schools of the CLC, in addition to Messiah School of Eau Claire. in the teacher-training program.

We share the concern of the Board regarding the matter of unpaid student accounts. These sizable amounts have a substantial effect upon the ILC budget. We encourage the Board to search for effective ways of reminding these people of their responsibility and helping them to liquidate their obligations in a God-pleasing manner.

We are happy with the cooperative painting program and encourage the Board to continue the effort.

In response to various suggestions made to the committee we encourage the Board of Regents and the faculty to continue their study of the curriculum and mechanics of education at ILC, so that our educational program remains current.

President of ILC Report

We agree with the general educational principles presented by Pres. Gullerud in his report, and underscore that the need for encouraging young people to train for the teaching and preaching ministry is great and requires our earnest attention, both on the home base as well as at our college.

We encourage the faculty of ILC to develop a program of summer semi nars which would be of value in the work of pastors and teachers.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

Dear Brethren:

Your present Mission Board met for its organizational meeting the evening of Sept. 5, 1966 at ILC. Officers were elected as follows: Ruben Ude, Chairman; Ralph Schaller, Secretary and Acting Chairman; Ruben Ude, Call Committee; Ruben Ude and H. D. Ohlmann, Coordinating Council; and Ruben Ude and H. D. Ohlmann, Executive Committee.

It was resolved to put St. Peter's of Denver on a nearly full subsidy to enable Pastor D. DeRose to drop his secular work and concentrate on full time church work.

On October 12, 1966 the Mission Board met at the Commodore Hote1 in Madison, Wisconsin. The following motions were carried.

I. Having fully considered the matter at the Commodore Hotel in Madison (work among the aged and retarded) the Mission Board feels this work we should enter into according to the will of the Lord.

II. That President Albrecht be encouraged to accept this call upon his retirement from active service.

III. That President Albrecht also act as Pastor to CLC members in Madison, Wisconsin, but that he is not expected to serve as CLC missionary to the Madison area. (Note: Pastor A. Geiger has been called by the Mission Board to serve as CLC missionary and contact man in the Madison area. He resigned his call in January of 1967. No one else has been called to fill that position beyond President Albrecht's call to serve CLC members in Madison.)

The work at the Commodore has undergone a number of changes since its inception. It was at first supported by the owners of the Commodore but by February 15, 1967 the work was under the full support of the CLC. Gradually the work with the aged has decresed while the work with the retarded has increased. During the past winter some of the retarded served in Madison were transferred to Jackson Center in Milwaukee so we have begun work there also. Pastor B. Naumann was asked to take over the work at Jackson Center but declined at the request of his congregation. President Albrecht is serving both places, two services at the Commodore and one at Jackson Center. There will, no doubt, be many more changes and adjustments as this work among the retarded progresses and the needs for a Madison Mission become more acute.

In January 10 of 1967 permission was granted to Grace of Fridley, Minnesota to purchase property lying adjacent to its property in order to prevent construction of apartment buildings within a few yards of the church and parsonage. It has resulted in a new zeal in the congregation.

At the same meeting Immanuel of Winter Haven, Florida was also given permission to buy adjacent lots available and necessary for future needs. These have been financed locally and have not interfered with reductions in subsidy. This congregation now has a fine piece of property adequate for future needs.

In September 1967 your chairman flew to Phoenix, Arizona to meet with the voting members of Holy Cross. Pastor Michael Sydow accepted a call from Peace Lutheran Church of Winner, S. D. Retired Pastor Christian Albrecht was called to serve as vacancy pastor in Phoenix, a position he

filled for almost six months, while various calls were extended and returned, until Pastor Paul Fleischer of Green Garden, Mich. accepted the call and was installed on March 31, 1968 by Pastor Christian Albrecht. We are very thankful that Pastor Albrecht was able and willing to serve.

In December of 1967 Pastor N. R. Carlson of Trinity, Denver, Colorado accepted a call from Jamestown, N. D. A call was sent for a pastor to also teach the Christian Day School. When this was declined the Executive Committee met in Denver with the voting members of Trinity as well as with Pastors D. DeRose and V. Tiefel. It was resolved to call a teacher instead of a pastor. In the mean time, one of the women of Trinity with the assistance of Pastor DeRose has labored to keep the school going. With the support of members from St. Luke's and St. Peter's, which is expected once a qualified teacher is installed, this school should have a fine potential.

Because of the encouraging offerings it was resolved in January of 1968, with the encouragement of the Trustees, to grant Immanuel of Chicago, Illinois their request for subsidy according to the expansion authorized by the 1966 Convention. Several calls have been extended and returned. At this writing they have called for a candidate. (Candidate David Schierenbeck was assigned to Immanuel of Chicago.)

In order to help our missionary in Japan you will find a request for an increased subsidy to help make up for the annual 10-16% increased cost of living since 1960. Also there is a request for \$1,000 to do some printing of tracts and articles. This is very important since the printed word is one of the best ways of reaching the Japanese people. There is also a request for \$2,500 to bring Pastor and Mrs. Tiefel home for the Convention and a vacation. Also included is a request for \$3,500 to replace the missionary's car which is now 15 years old and threatens at any moment to follow the demise of the one horse shay.

Other doors are open to us. Reports from Missoula, Montana support the urgency of their request for subsidy to support a full time ministry. In addition fields appear to be opening for us in Madison, Wisconsin, Fresno, California and Orlando, Florida. Therefore, we again request authorization to open a new mission, if and when the offerings in the judgment of the Trustees warrant it.

The ever rising cost of living is hard on our missionaries, as well as on others. Also by law all ministers are now under Social Security. This means that many of our missionaries who are unable to afford Social Security must now pay it. For these reasons we request an across the board increase for our church workers of \$25.00 per month. (\$25.00 per month does not even cover the Social Security they will now have to pay.)

Our lack of a meaningful Church Extension Fund is a great hindrance to our work of expansion. Therefore, your board requests the establishment of a CEF of no less than \$100,000.00. We understand that a Ways and Means Committee appointed by President Albrecht will bring some recommendations to the attention of the convention.

The Lord of the Harvest has given us much work to do. May He also richly grant us grace to will and to do of His good pleasure.

STATISTICAL SUMMERY FROM THE BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE CLC

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| BEREA, St. Paul | 50 | 68 | 41 | 14 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 18 | | 13 |
| GRACE, Minneapolis | 60 | 119 | 71 | 17 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 30 | | |
| GETHSEMANE, Spokane | 58 | 142 | 91 | 34 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 35 | | 39 |
| HOLY CROSS, Phoenix | 27 | 45 | 30 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 13 | | 9 |
| HOLY TRINITY, Missoula | | 39 | 21 | 7 | | | | | | | |
| IMMANUEL, Winter Haven | 82 | 149 | 89 | 19 | 12 | 4 | 6 | 16 | 25 | 51 | |
| IMMANUEL, Chicago | | 35 | 19 | 10 | | | | | | | |
| HACHIMAN DORI, Tokyo, Japan | 28 | 54 | 21 | 13 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 22 (5 | 1 prospec | ts) |
| REDEEMER, Cheyenne | 55 | 133 | 74 | 22 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 34 | 22 | |
| REDEMPTION, Seattle | 35 | 61 | 38 | 10 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | | 66 |
| ST. PETER'S, Denver | 20 | 35 | 16 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 | | 34 |
| ST. STEPHEN, San Francisco | 52 | 80 | 49 | 15 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 31 | | 24 |
| SERVANT OF CHRIST, Los Angele | es 50 | 75 | 44 | 20 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 28 | | |
| Fresno, California | 17 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | | |
| TRINITY, Denver | 29 | 40 | 23 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 10 | |

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| BETHEL, Houston | \$ | \$5194 | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 806.61 | \$ 16.75 |
| BEREA, St. Paul | 300 | 3600 | 8505 | 4905 | 37,400 | 14,557.35 | 4,663.17 | 2,502.82 |
| GETHSEMANE, Spokane | 125 | 1500 | 10615 | 9115 | 75,000 | 44,510.57 | 6,003.37 | 1,610.80 |
| GRACE, Minneapolis | 345 | 4165 | 14840 | 10675 | 75,000 | 48,042.00 | 6,353.16 | 1,091.21 |
| HOLY CROSS, Phoenix | 433 | 5196 | 8408 | 3212 | 16,000 | 11,207.06 | 2,133.59 | 608.75 |
| HOLY CROSS (Trustees) | 115 | 1380 | 9621 | | | | | |
| IMMANUEL, Chicago | 408 | 4896 | 8020 | 3124 | | | 1,702.64 | 425.79 |
| IMMANUEL, Winter Haven | 475 | 5700 | 20371 | 14671 | 57,500 | 27,693.00 | 6,978.52 | 807.93 |
| MADISON MISSION | 335 | 4020 | 5220 | 1200 | | | 1,241.00 | 395.00 |
| HACHIMAN DORI, Tokyo, Japan | 575 | 6900 | 8900 | 2000 | 30,000 | 2,000.00 | 1,785.87 | 90.00 |
| Committee of Application and Committee of the Committee o | | 1000 | (printin | ıg) | | | 89.20 | (home mission) |
| REDEEMER, Cheyenne | 330 | 3960 | 12160 | 8200 | 48,500 | 20,800.00 | 7,246.77 | 824.66 |
| REDEMPTION, Seattle | 500 | 6000 | 14392 | 8392 | 80,000 | 56,176.43 | 6,106.60 | 1,006.09 |
| ST. STEPHEN, San Francisco | 285 | 3420 | 12605 | 9205 | 37,500 | | 8,166.18 | 931.06 |
| SERVANT OF CHRIST, Los Angele | s 363 | 4356 | 14387 | 10031 | | | 9,642.09 | 170.00 |
| ST. PETER'S, Denver | 394 | 4728 | 7068 | 2340 | 10,500 | 5,799.49 | 1,993.93 | 80.00 |
| TRINITY, Denver | | | 3126 | 3126 | 8 | | 3,622.00 | 180.00 |

Supplementary Report

At the request of the Cordinating Council the Mission Board asked subsidized congregations to reconsider their subsidy requests and has reviewed the revised requests. The results are in the "Financial Prospectus" (page 36).

We would like to point out two major changes for Japan. The transportation for Pastor Fred Tiefel is removed because it was included in the 1967-68 expenditures of the Mission Board and the \$3,500 item for a new car has been dropped at the suggestion of the Missionary.

In addition to an urgent request from Missoula, Montana we have an urgent request from Houston, Texas. We figure this field is ripe to the harvest and a man should be placed there NOW.

The Mission Board is considering special work by means of radio. For example, the idea of presenting a series of tapes giving our position—that of the CLC—and making them available for congregations to use in their area. And we consider the fact that we have some men who are especially gifted for understanding the dilemmas of our time and giving timely answers from God's Word. It would be wise to call such a man on a parttime basis to prepare tapes for us throughout the CLC. The expense would not be great.

1968-1969 Budget

| 1. | Administration | | | | | .\$ | 4,500.00 |
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| | | | | | | | |

- 2. Mission Program 60,881.00

REPORT OF COMMITTEE #4: MISSIONS

We recognize with joy the many mission doors the Lord has opened to us. We are mindful of the urgency of requests coming from the various mission fields for full-time subsidy. Yet it is not possible (financially or man-power-wise) to supply the needs of all of them at this time. Accordingly, we recommend the following:

Bethel - Houston

- WHEREAS Bethel Lutheran Church of Houston, Texas has organized and has been accepted as a member congregation of the CLC and has now asked for a list of candidates for the calling of a pastor, and
- WHEREAS this arrangement was mutually agreed upon by Bethel Congregation and Pastor Groeschel,
- BE IT RESOLVED that we urge the Mission Board to subsidize Bethel Congregation of Houston, Texas, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we ask the Mission Board Chairman to make a personal visit to this field and also to visit Pastor Groeschel and offer whatever financial aid the Mission Board deems advisable in view of his forthcoming eye surgery.

Japan Report

We Recognize Missionary Tiefel's need for a car, and we recommend that the Mission Board make the need known through its newsletter.

Madision Mission

We are thankful for the work that the CLC has been permitted to perform at the Lake Shore Manor Nursing Home.

Salary Increase

We recommend an across-the-board increase for our church workers of \$50.00 per month plus child subsidy to begin with the first child.

Tapes

We encourage the Mission Board to continue studying the possibilities of presenting a series of tapes giving our CLC position and making them available for our congregations.

PUBLICATIONS

Journal of Theology

Between 200 and 300 copies of each issue of the <u>Journal</u> are mailed. Almost all members of the CLC clergy are subscribers. No effort is made to solicit subscriptions outside our circles through advertising or by other means. But since laymen of our church, and readers outside our fellowship, who have been on our mailing list, have with very rare exceptions continued to renew and have donated subscriptions for others, the subscription list remains very stable.

Despite the fact that printing and mailing costs have increased, no request is being made for an increase in the \$400 annual subsidy. We trust that it will be sufficient. In this connection a tribute is due the generous service rendered without charge by Miss Darla Beekmann of Eau Claire, who assists the editor in the tedious work of typing address labels, keeping the subscription list up-dated and mailing renewal notices, as well as by students of Immanuel seminary who help to ready copy for the printer. Their assistance is an important contribution.

A report of the $\underline{\text{Journal's}}$ finances is in the hands of the President. Respectfully submitted,

E. Schaller, Editor

Lutheran Spokesman

The following is a brief summary of the present financial status, as well as probable future prospect, of the Lutheran Spokesman.

As of this date (August 1, 1968), we have 1662 paid congregational subscriptions, and 401 paid individual subscriptions, for a combined paid subscription of 2063. In addition to these, we presently send out 163 gratis and exchange subscriptions each month, for a total monthly distribution of 2226. This represents an increase of about 425 over the past two years.

Based upon these figures, the 401 individual subscriptions @ \$2.25 yield \$902.25 annual income, the 1662 congregational subscriptions @ \$2.00 yield \$3324.00 for a total yearly income of about \$4226.25.

Our publication costs are approximately as follows: \$140 monthly for printing (\$1680 yearly), \$150 monthly for typesetting (\$1800 yearly), and miscellaneous expenses amounting to about \$33 a month (total last year \$403.) This brings total annual expenditures to around \$3880 and leaves us with only about \$240 for exigencies and unusual expenditures. As can be readily seen, this is the proverbial shoestring operation.

It is quite apparent that if we do not maintain or increase our subscriptions, we will be in even more trouble. We plead, therefore, with pastors to encourage not only all their members to buy and read, but to purchase an additional "bundle" for mission purposes.

We changed our publication date designation in January. Our time for sending the <u>Spokesman</u> has been the 25th for several years. This places it in the homes around the first of the month. When it is dated the previous month, it appears to be late. Now we are in line with date designations used by almost all magazines.

Respectfully submitted,
Norman Harms, Business Manager
Winfred Schaller, Editor

Ministry by Mail

During the past biennium some changes have been made. The place of origin has changed from Grace Congregation of Sleepy Eye, Minnesota to Holy Trinity Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church of West Columbia, South Carolina. Instead of operating through the congregational treasury of Grace, the Ministry by Mail now functions through a joint account with the CLC Secretary's Fund. The electric typewriter and addresser, which had been supplied by Grace of Sleepy Eye, have been purchased by the Ministry by Mail. To a great extent this was made possible through generous gifts from interested persons. Holy Trinity has supplied a new power driven mimeograph and the services of two ladies who come each week to fold the bulletins and sermons. The work of addressing the envelopes each week has been taken over by the editor's wife, the rest of the work remaining the responsibility of the editor.

As of May, 1968, twenty congregations were receiving bulk shipments totaling 263 sermons. Despite rising costs the price remains at 5¢ a sermon plus mailing costs. Some 110 individuals and families receive the sermons by firstclass mail each week. The cost for this service remains at \$6.00 per subscription.

Respectfully submitted, Paul F. Nolting, Editor

Faculty Memorial: Re Publishing Chapel Devotions

The faculty at ILC has been approached by some individuals and asked to publish a booklet of chapel devotions especially appropriate for the young. A faculty committee was assigned to study the matter. The findings of the committee and the faculty resolutions follow.

Whereas, all publications of the CLC must clear the publications committee; and,

Whereas, we believe the venture would be self-sustaining costwise; and,

Whereas, the format of the booklet would be important considering the group we wish to reach;

Resolved, that we publish a 50 page booklet (ca 25 talks); and,

Resolved, that any committee assigned to this project give special attention to design and format.

Submitted in behalf of the faculty of ILC, Ronald L. Roehl, Secretary

CLC Book House

Some \$525.00 is due on accounts.

\$2000.00 is still owed on bonds.

The inventory is heavy. We are at the moment breaking even.

G. Sydow, Manager

During the past year, the Book House has had the new directory printed and distributed, and a CLC pamphlet printed and distributed for slightly less than cost as a service to the CLC. This pamphlet was sold out, and has just been reprinted. The Book House has also rerun 350 copies of "Concerning Church Fellowship" this past year.

The Book House Board has resolved to petition the CLC to allow room for the printing press, display room, and other Book House materials in their expansion program at ILC. It has been the judgment of the Board that the Book House will not function to its full potential until it is located in Eau Claire on the ILC campus.

The Board has officially discontinued the branch office at Eau Claire. Considerable difficulty was experienced with the administration of the branch office because of the distance factor, and it was felt that it would be wise to discontinue the branch until the complete operation can be transferred to Eau Claire.

Respectfully submitted, Robert Rehm, Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The particular matter to which the attention of your Board is turned at this time is Sunday School material.

In the fall of 1967 the Minnesota Sunday School Teachers' Association of the CLC made known to the Coordinating Council its desire for a Sunday School course that would be much improved over any now available. The areas in which improvement was desired were that -

- 1) it should present a chronological survey of Bible history from beginning to end, without interrupting the sequence for Christmas and other festivals of the church year. This should help to eliminate the utter confusion that now reigns in the minds of our children as to whether particular stories and events are placed in the Old or New Testament.
- 2) it should be more comprehensive, including at least some of the more important stories that are now omitted in available series.

The Coordinating Council placed this matter in the hands of the Board of Education, with the suggestion that the preliminary step might consist in building a file of the worksheets now being prepared by the several pastors within our CLC who on their own are working out just such a type of course as suggested.

That suggestion is being followed. As enough materials are gathered, the Board will begin its work. This will be a time consuming process involving assimilation, writing, constructive criticism, rewriting, scrutiny by the Board of Doctrine, and the like. Therefore, we suggest that each Sunday School for the time being make the best possible use of available materials. The new Northwestern Publishing House course is much improved over the old course. Its chief drawback is the failure to follow chronology—the confusing jump from the Old Testament to the New and back again. However, it does promise finally to include in its three-year cycle some thirty more stories than the former course did.

Your Board will welcome any suggestions or materials that might be helpful in its work on this projected chronological Sunday School series.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE #6: PUBLICATIONS, CLC BOOK HOUSE, BOARD OF EDUCATION

Journal of Theology

We move adoption of the report as given by the editor.

We recommend that the Praesidium and Visiting Elders increase the staff of contributing editors to four, by the addition of two pastors.

We urge the contributing editors diligently to work and so sumbit their efforts regularly to our <u>Journal of Theology</u>.

We urge that readers of the <u>Journal of Theology</u> suggest topics which they would like to see treated in this periodical.

We urge the CLC pastors to request free copies of the <u>Journal of Theology</u> from the editor, for distribution on occasion to interested lay men in their parish, to encourage wider circulation of our <u>Journal</u> among our lay members.

Lutheran Spokesman

We recommend the adoption of the report on the <u>Lutheran Spokesman</u> as presented by the business manager and the editor.

We repeat for emphasis and with our approval this urgent message from the business manager of our <u>Lutheran Spokesman</u>:

It is quite apparent that if we do not maintain or increase our subscriptions, we will be in even more (financial) trouble. We plead, therefore, with pastors to encourage not only all their members to buy and read, but to purchase an additional "bundle" for mission purposes.

We report with regret that there are congregations delinquent in the payment of their subscriptions. This often places an undue and unnecessary burden on our <u>Spokesman's</u> credit rating. We urge this convention to affirm the propriety of our congregations paying their <u>Spokesman</u> debts promptly.

Because the mailing addresses of our men and women in service can change very frequently, and because unnecessary expenses are involved when the <u>Spokesman</u> staff must handle these changes of address: be it resolved that our congregations be asked to handle (from the "home congregation") the mailing out of the Spokesman to our men and women in the Armed Forces.

WHEREAS many hours and much labor are needed to handle faithfully and efficiently the responsibility of being business manager of the Lutheran Spokesman,

BE IT RESOLVED that this convention heartily thank Norman Harms for his efforts in serving us as business manager of our Lutheran Spokesman and commend him for his labors on our behalf.

Ministry by Mail

We recommend adoption of the report on the $\underline{\text{Ministry by Mail}}$ as presented by the editor.

We recognize the many hours of work involved in maintaining the Ministry by Mail on the part of Pastor Paul Nolting and commend him and his congregation for their efforts on our behalf.

We encourage our pastors and congregations to assist in making this service as easy as possible by ordering their printed sermons in bulk shipments whenever possible.

Faculty Memorial: Re Publishing Chapel Devotions

We recommend that the faculty memorial be adopted, to the effect that a booklet of Chapel Devotions of some 25 chapel talks, especially appropriate for the young, be published, with special attention given to design and format.

We further recommend that a committee from the ILC faculty be appointed by the Praesidium of the CLC to expedite this endeavor.

Whereas there is also interest in the publication of a series of devotions for use by CLC members and their families, we urge the Praesidium of the CLC to keep under advisement the possibility of such a publication being made available to our members.

CLC Book House

- WHEREAS the Book House owes two thousand dollars in bonds, and
- WHEREAS the report indicates no appreciable increase or profit for the past biennium, and
- WHEREAS the Book House does not profitably serve the CLC in the sale of books because of the competition from other publishing houses, and
- WHEREAS publishing and printing can be done better and cheaper in commercial establishments, and
- WHEREAS the Book House printing equipment has stood idle for the past two years, and
- WHEREAS we have been apprised by the manager of the Book House that operation of this equipment is not advantageous, and
- WHEREAS each year obsolescence of the equipment increases, and
- WHEREAS there is presently no room for the Book House operation at ILC, and
- WHEREAS it may not be wise to impose the operation of a CLC Book House on the ILC faculty or student body,
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Book House Board of Control be authorized to dispose of the printing equipment, and

that the book inventory be disposed of in an effort to reduce the indebtedness of the corporation, and

that the Book House remain at New Ulm for the present, contingent on the consent of the New Ulm Congregation.

We further suggest that walk-in business might be handled by the ILC book store.

Report of the Board of Education

We move adoption of the report of the Board of Education.

We thank the special committee whose chairman, in the person of Professor Clifford Kuehne, led us in a profitable discussion of the CHALLENGE TO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN THE CLC.

Doctrinal Statement

- WHEREAS we presently have no brief statement expressing the doctrinal position of the CLC on the basic doctrines of the Bible, and
- WHEREAS such a statement would be extremely valuable, especially in the mission fields,
- BE IT RESOLVED that the convention direct the Board of Doctrine to have drawn up such a statement and submit it to the Book House for printing and distribution.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE #8: REVIEW OF CONFERENCE MINUTES

The following conference minutes were read, and found acceptable and orthodox:

Pacific Coast Pastoral Conference, meeting Nov. 8-9, 1966 at Spokane Gethsemane and Nov. 6-7, 1967 at Seattle Redemption.

Pacific Coast Delegate Conference, meeting Aug. 7, 1968 at ILC.

Minnesota Pastoral Conference, meeting Nov. 20, 1966 at Sleepy Eye Grace and Nov. 19-20, 1967 at Okabena St. John's.

Minnesota Delegate Conference, meeting Oct. 16, 1966 at Red Wing Our Redeemer's, June 25, 1967 at Mankato Immanue1, Oct. 15, 1967 at Austin St. Paul's, and June 30, 1968 at Sleepy Eye Grace.

West Central Pastoral Conference, meeting Nov. 8-10, 1966 at Winner

St. Paul's and Sept. 26-28, 1967 at Cheyenne Redeemer.

West Central Delegate Conference, meeting June 20-21, 1967 at Jamestown Our Savior's and June 18-19, 1968 at Faulkton First Lutheran.

Wisconsin Pastoral Conference, meeting Jan. 22-24, 1967, Oct. 29-31,

1967, Feb. 18-20, 1968, all at Immanuel Seminary, Eau Claire.

Wisconsin Delegate Conference, meeting Oct. 6-7, 1967 at Green Garden St. Paul's and June 28-29, 1968 at Markesan Faith.

CLC Teachers' Conference, meeting Oct. 19-21, 1966 at Markesan Faith and Aug. 7-9, 1967 at Winter Haven Immanuel.

It is noted that conferences discussed extensively both the WELS-CLC doctrinal matters and participation in free conferences.

We found differences in format, material studied, and the reporting of the sessions. We found things valuable and of possible benefit in the minutes of some conferences; those things we recommend other conferences note and consider adopting.

Suggestions and Observations:

- 1. Comprehensive surveys of essays and discussion can help the reviewing committee's work, and can also be of future benefit to the conference itself. Some minutes were comprehensive, others sketchy.
- 2. Standing Program Committees can give extensive, unhurried thought to conference agendas.
- 3. More sermon studies (exegesis or interpretation, and homiletics), as well as introductory studies (isagogics), can help keep preaching fresh and alive.
- 4. Delegates Conferences can profit from studies of topics along practical lines and thus give everyone present something to take home.
- 5. The formats of the conferences minutes varied. Some were well-bound and well-organized. Such arrangements contribute to permanence, legibility, easy reading, and easy reference. Some minutes had great continuity and substance and made interesting reading. In some places unfortunate wording, or difficult-to-understand phrasing occurred.
- All the minutes reviewed indicate that our conferences are indeed growing in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. For this we give thanks.

REPORT OF THE ILC PLANNING COMMITTEE

The 1966 convention of the Church of the Lutheran Confession, in response to the building needs at Immanuel Lutheran College, resolved in part:

". . . that a planning committee be appointed by the president to set forth a realistic building program for ILC in keeping with the needs and resources of the CLC . . . that the congregations respond with their good advice to the chairman of the planning committee at the earliest date, that the will of the majority prevail . . ."

Your Planning Committee began to function by making a thorough investigation of the immediate building needs at ILC, along with an estimate of the needs anticipated for the next five-year period. It also conducted a careful search for the best possible way to meet the needs.

These needs are immediate especially in view of the sudden increase of enrollment for the '67-'68 school year when the attendance figure bounded upward by 25%. Here are the needs:

- I. 49 girls and 38 boys (87 students) are housed in respective dormitories equipped to handle a maximum of 75 students. In addition there are 6 boys and 9 girls housed outside of the dormitories. This gives ILC a 27-student over-load in housing, a 25% load increase over maximum normal capacity. These statistics point to the need of the expansion of both girls and boys dormitory facilities.
- II. Even with a two-shift schedule of serving it is necessary to serve the overflow of students in the Ingram Hall entrance. This need calls for both adequate dining area and efficient kitchen facilities.
- III. We have no assembly area for our 121 students and the faculty members. The room used for chapel is crowded far beyond legal safety and health standards, even when an adjoining recreation room is used for the overflow of students.

This same area is equally overcrowded for student activities such as choir, plays, movies, lectures, concerts, and the like. Scheduling this room for student activities becomes impossible, because it must also serve as an organ practice room (the organ is in this room because of chapel).

In this connection there is the pressing need for a sheltered physical education area and athletic activity center. This latter need is magnified by the crowded student living quarters.

In summary, there is the urgent need for chape1, assembly, and physical activity areas.

IV. Even now there is not enough classroom space available to meet our enrollment. This creates teaching situations which are not conducive to normal classwork.

We are confronted with the need for three classrooms and a laboratoryscience room, as well as piano and organ practice rooms.

THE SE FOUR NEEDS have been the target in your committee's search for a unit solution which is realistic both as to the ILC needs and the CLC resources.

Here, in brief, is the fruit of the planning committee's research: Your committee recommends the following TYPE of building, as pictured in the "Report to the Church" sent to all congregations by the committee, to satisfy our many needs by one effort of expenditure and construction. The details, of course, would depend upon CLC adoption of a definite building program and the appointment of a building committee.

This proposed TYPE of building is very similar to the Manz public school not far from the ILC campus. The Manz school was completed early in '67 and enabled your committee to suggest the sum of \$200,000 as an approximate cost of constructing the proposed unit.

THE ABOVE PROPOSED UNIT would accomplish the following with respect to our needs:

- I. INGRAM HALL could become available as a complete girl's dormitory. The removal of the dining/kitchen facilities (and the library) should leave adequate areas for dorm expansion as well as housing for girl's dormitory personnel.
- II. NORTHWEST HALL would become available as a complete boy's dormitory . . . and already has been approved as such by the State Industrial Commission. The removal of the classroom and "chapel" facilities would release the entire first floor area for dormitory expansion.
- III. THE NEW UNIT would afford adequate teaching rooms, dining area, kitchen, chapel, assembly, physical education and gymnasium areas, (convention accomodations).

We point out that the suggested building cost of \$200,000 does not include the cost of renovating the Northwest Hall and Ingram Hall first floor areas which would be vacated for dormitory use by the proposed construction. It is the opinion of your committee that the immediate pro tem renovation of these areas for dormitory use could be handled through the regular budget at small cost. The areas could be improved and renovated on a more permanent basis each succeeding year as budget allowances permit.

The committee's "Report to the Church" as remitted to our CLC congregations is still valid in its analysis of ILC expansion needs. The stated percentages of increased enrollment will be brought to date for the August convention. The needs are still as pressing as reported, but the urgency relative to those needs has increased with the ever growing registration of students for the next school year.

As to the "type" of construction which will meet these needs . . . it is evident that there can be alternatives, such as supplying these same needs with solutions involving more than one roof.

However, such specific planning needs the careful work of a building committee. A committee which will be unhindered by previous committments, other than budget and the needs recognized by the CLC as valid and in need of solution. A committee which will have both the authority and the financial means to consult with professional experts in these matters (architects, engineers, builders); with the representatives of various types of construction; and with anyone in a position to offer them good advice concerning the proposed project (e.g. people having various types of buildings suggested for our needs). A committee that will seek to satisfy fully the expansion needs at ILC with the entire economy in mind: 1. Quality construction 2. Economic operation and maintenance 3. Located convenient to student/faculty use 4. Complimentary to the campus scene 5. Firmly within the established construction budget limitations.

For the encouragement of the CLC and its work in this project we report that responses to the committee's "Report to the Church" were most enthusiastic, very helpful with suggestions as well as cautions, and each indicated a readiness to undertake their share of the obligations involved in the proposed project. A complete file of all materials, ideas, proposals is available to the CLC or its building committee.

Note: In the course of the discussion at the September Coordinating Council meeting it became apparent that there is the need of a greatly increased Church Extension Fund. The Coordinating Council therefore urged upon the President that he appoint a Ways and Means Committee to work out a plan by which the CLC might raise the sum of \$200,000 for expansion at ILC and also \$100,000 for the Church Extension Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

The Planning Committee: P. G. Albrecht C. M. Gullerud
M. Eibs W. Romberg
A. Gilbertson A. Salmala

REPORT OF THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Your Committee has been asked to explore a program of gifts that will make possible the construction of needed buildings at ILC and that would provide a larger Church Extension Fund for our mission program. To the best of our knowledge it appears that \$200,000.00 will be needed for the building(s) and \$100,000.00 for the CEF. We therefore present the following three-part recommendation:

I. THE MECHANICS OF THE PROGRAM

WHEREAS we must recognize that for a program such as this the CLC will have to depend upon the strength of income, understanding and love of our individual members, and

WHEREAS the percentage of those with a rich measure of this strength varies in our congregations, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that we studiously avoid the concept of "average per communicant" and "quota per congregation."

WHEREAS we believe it to be essential that the appropriate committee know from the outset what the approximate income from this program will be, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that we ask our members to fill out a card of intent that would give that information. Cf. sample:

Card of Intent

With the earnest prayer to the Lord of the Church that this program may provide the gifts needed for the work at ILC and in the Mission Program of the CLC I intend with the help of God, to bring a gift of \$1000.00 at the rate of \$40.00 per month over a two-year period.

WHEREAS we believe that our members will welcome specific encouragement, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that we recommend that our members seriously consider amounts of \$1000.00, \$500.00, or \$250.00 and that if these figures do not suit them that they put on the Card of Intent the amount they believe they can bring.

WHEREAS someone will have to decide when and how much building can be done, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Convention designate an appropriate committee or board who shall evaluate the Cards of Intent to determine how much may safely be spent on a new building for ILC, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the designated committee or board determine when construction may safely be started.

WHEREAS the offering is to serve a twofold purpose, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the gifts received be immediately divided, twothirds to be designated for the ILC building and one-third for the CEF, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the money for the ILC building be invested by the Board of Trustees until needed for building expense, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the money for the CEF be immediately available under the terms of the CEF regulations.

WHEREAS an offering of this size will need the enthusiastic support of every interested member of the CLC, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that we ask each congregation to set in motion a program that will bring this matter to the attention of every member of the congregation.

II. THE SUPERVISION OF THIS PROGRAM

WHEREAS we believe that a representative committee should supervise the program, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the conference representatives present at this convention meet during this convention and each conference choose one pastor and one layman for this Ways and Means Committee, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President of the CLC serve as temporary chairman of the Ways and Means Committee until it is organized, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Ways and Means Committee elect from its midst two pastors and one layman as an executive committee that is to submit a detailed offering program to the Ways and Means Committee.

WHEREAS we anticipate that congregations will request help in stimulating interest in this offering, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ways and Means Committee set up teams, of one pastor and one layman to serve when such requests are received, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the teachers at ILC be asked to serve as the clergy members of these teams wherever practical.

III. THE PUBLICITY FOR THIS PROGRAM

WHEREAS all members of the CLC will be searching for a fitting expression of thanks to the Lord of the Church for the ten years of grace the CLC has experienced, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that this Convention determine that this be a thank-offering that will make possible a thanksgiving gift to the Lord of the Church, a building program that is to be used for the training of His servants and a CEF that will make possible missions that will serve to the glory of His name.

WHEREAS this program will require the printing and mailing of Cards of Intent, descriptive brochures, offering envelopes, bulletin inserts, and traveling expenses for the teams, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that an appropriate amount be given to the Ways and Means Committee for this program.

Resepctfully submitted,

The Ways and Means Committee: Robert Reim, Chairman Arvid Gullerud Charles Sandeen

REPORT OF COMMITTEE #10: ILC PLANNING COMMITTEE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

We commend the committees for their work as it appears before us in the Prospectus.

- WHEREAS it is estimated that \$200,000 represents the cost of needs at ILC, and
- WHEREAS \$100,000 has been requested for the Church Extension Fund,
- RESOLVED that a 10TH ANNIVERSARY THANKOFFERING be initiated; and
- WHEREAS we cannot alleviate these needs until we know what funds are available,
- RESOLVED that all of the congregations of the Church of the Lutheran Confession be asked to declare what they with the help of God will be able to do toward alleviating these needs, and
- RESOLVED that this declaration be made by congregational estimate.

 Cards of intent will be offered to help the congregations arrive at this estimate; and
- RESOLVED that the offering be divided according to the following plan: a) The first \$200,000 to the ILC Building Fund and b) All other offerings to be given to the CEF; and
- RESOLVED that a Building Committee of seven men be appointed by the Praesidium. This committee to be ratified before the end of this convention; and
- RESOLVED that this committee contain one member of the Board of Trustees, one member of the Board of Regents, and one member of the faculty of ILC; and

- RESOLVED that this committee be limited by congregational estimate as to the extent of construction at ILC, including equipment, walks, and minimum landscaping; and
- RESOLVED that on the basis of the indicated offerings, the Building Committee be authorized to plan and begin construction at ILC when it believes that this can safely be done; and
- RESOLVED that the present Ways and Means Committee become the Publicity Committee for this offering; and
- RESOLVED that the publicity for this offering be geared to have the indication of offerings back to the Building Committee by Jan. 1, 1969; and
- RESOLVED that the gathering of the offering be completed by Jan. 1, 1971; and
- RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees be authorized to borrow interim funds as needed for construction; and
- RESOLVED that the \$2500.00 now available be released for preliminary work and that this money be apportioned to the committees by the President of the CLC.

Memorial of the West Central Conference

Our answer to this memorial is found in the above proposals.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Miscellaneous Matters

A. Professorages: Since the convention last met two professorages have been built for the families of Prof. G. Radtke and Prof. R. Dommer. In both cases a loan was negotiated separate from the existing mortgage at an interest rate of 6.25%.

Good stewardship dictated this action, even though we acknowledge that this action was taken without specific approval of a CLC convention. We herewith petition the convention to give approval to this action. In principle we do not believe in petitioning a body after the fact, but we believe that all may see that exceptional circumstances involving the stewardship of funds made this procedure not only desirable, but necessary.

We consider the present professorage project closed. A financial accounting will be included in the treasurer's annual report.

- B. Debt Retirement Fund: As of April 1 the balance in the fund was \$7,509.20. A new account authorized by the 1966 Spokane Convention, this fund has met with generous support. At the present time the fund is 1i-mited to \$10,000. In view of the high interest rates paid on savings accounts and the probability of the adoption of a large building program, the convention might consider raising the ceiling on this fund to \$15,000. (The total indebtedness of the CLC is about \$176,000.)
- C. Student Aid Fund: The balance in this fund is \$461.41. While slightly more has been received this year than last, this fund, designed

to make grants to students at ILC needing help with the cost of their schooling, deserves wider support among us. We would encourage individuals, societies and congregations to remember this fund each year.

D. Church Extension Fund: The present balance is \$6,152.58. This is in addition to \$6,000.00 already on loan from this fund.

Budgetary Offerings--Fiscal 1966-1967 and 1967-1968

Budgetary offerings for the past two fiscal years were as follows:

Each year's offerings represented the following increase over the previous year:

The average increase in offerings for the past two years was \$7,208.00 or an average increase of 7.8%.

At the beginning of the fiscal period we had a budgetary deficit of \$2,282.58. At the end of the first fiscal year of the past biennium that deficit was reduced to \$1,386.62. On July 1, 1968 we carried over a deficit of \$1,387.03.

In both of the fiscal years we failed by a considerable amount to bring offerings that would meet the commitment we made when we adopted our budget.

<u>Evaluation of These Financial Facts</u>

There is cause for thanksgiving and hope in the above figures. This is true particularly of the second half of the biennium. Noteworthy is the fact fact that a large increase was brought about without the need for a special appeal due to a financial crisis. There is solid evidence that the past fiscal year brought an increase of regular monthly giving on the part of our congregations coupled, we hope, with a growing awareness of congregational responsibility to meet the needs as set forth in the budget adopted by the congregations through their convention representatives. If this continues there is hope for continuing financial growth and stability which will allow for a carefully controlled expansion of our varied responsibilities.

Board of Trustees' Budget, 1968-1969

A. General Administration

| 2. | Meals and Lodging | | 200.00 | |
|-----|-------------------------|--|--------|----------|
| | Telephone and Telegraph | | 300.00 | |
| | Postage | | 150.00 | |
| | Printing and Stationery | | 150.00 | |
| | Interest | | 500.00 | |
| | Journal of Theology | | 400.00 | |
| 52. | Miscellaneous | | 100.00 | \$ 2.800 |

1. Trave1 \$ 1,000.00

| В. | Capital Investment | | | | |
|----|-------------------------------|---|--|--------------|-------------|
| | 1. Mortgage Loan | • | | .\$10,440.00 | |
| | 2. Personal Note | | | | |
| | 3. Interest, Personal Loan | | | | \$12,752.96 |
| С. | Insurance | | | | |
| | 1. ILC Property and Liability | | | . 1,060.00 | |
| | 2. ILC Boiler | | | | |
| | 3. Workmen's Compensation | | | | |
| | 4. Treasurer's Bond | | | . 50.00 | 1,500.00 |

REPORT OF COMMITTEE #5: FINANCES

Recommendations

- 1. That we approve the President's action in appointing a Certified Public Accountant to audit all accounts of the CLC and that this policy be continued.
- 2. That we express our appreciation to Mr. Moen for the services he is rendering the CLC as its treasurer.
- 3. That we approve the action of negotiating a loan for the financing of the two professorages.
- 4. That we increase the limit of the Debt Retirement Fund to \$15,000.
- 5. That we encourage individuals, societies and congregations to remember the Student Aid Fund each year.

In this connection, we commend those several congregations which have initiated some type of student aid in their midst and suggest that others consider the advisability of following their example. We suggest, also, that the administration of ILC report to future conventions the total sum contributed by our congregations in support of students from their midst.

Salary Adjustment

In view of the fact that we believe our long range aim should be to adjust base salaries to a level where child allowance is no longer necessary, we recommend the following salary adjustment for all professors, and for pastors and teachers under the Board of Missions:

- 1. For the 1968-1969 fiscal year, an increase of \$50.00 per month.
- 2. For the 1968-1969 fiscal year, that the child allowance be \$10 for each dependent child through high school, with the suggestion that the Coordinating Council consider further reduction of child allowance when additional base salary adjustments are made.
- For the 1969-1970 fiscal year or earlier, if feasible, we authorize the Coordinating Council to grant an additional increase according to its discretion.

Communication -- From Convention to Congregation

In order to promote a greater appreciation for the blessings of the Gospel among us and to effect a general awareness of the work our Lord would have us do, we urge each delegate to this convention to relay the fine expressions of faith and concern spoken here to the members of his congregation and encourage them to a lively participation in the vital business of upholding and building His Kingdom.

Church Extension Fund

We recommend that we leave the matter of providing monies for the CEF as it is, namely, that we encourage congregations to designate Reformation Festival offerings for this purpose.

1968-1969 Budget

We propose the following budget for your consideration:

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION July 1, 1966 to July 1, 1967

BUDGETARY

| Receipts: | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Offerings | |
| Memorials 3,098.00 | |
| Revenues, Tuition 15,843.00 | |
| Revenues, Board and Room 31,456.00 | |
| Revenues, Other College 497.00 | |
| Interest Earned, 1965-1966 100.04 | |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS | \$145,867.27 |
| Disbursements: | |
| General Administration | |
| (See Summary #1) \$ 3,230.23 | |
| Insurance 1,263.11 | |
| Capital Investments 8,933.96 | |
| Home Missions and Administration | |
| (See Summary #2) 45,928.18 | |
| Japan Missions 6,600.00 | |
| Immanuel Lutheran College | |
| (See Summary #3) 79,015.83 | |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS | \$144,971.31 |

| Cash Balance for Fiscal Year 895.96 |
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| Cash Deficit, July 1, 1966 |
| Cash Deficit, July 1, 1967 |
| Borrowed Money (Notes Payable) in General Fund \$ 10,000.00 |
| Borrowed Money on Hand July 1, 1967 |
| |
| SUMMARY #1 |
| Travel Expense |
| Meals and Lodging 202.45 Telephone and Telegraph 362.92 |
| Postage 89.47 |
| Printing and Stationery 71.70 Interest |
| Miscellaneous 1.95 |
| Journal of Theology 400.00 |
| TOTAL |
| *This amount is \$680.23 over the budget of \$2,550.00. |
| SUMMARY #2 |
| MISSION BOARD DISBURSEMENTS: |
| Berea, St. Paul, Minnesota \$ 3,604.00 |
| Gethsemane, Spokane, Washington 1,565.00 |
| Grace, Minneapolis, Minnesota 4,130.00 Holy Cross, Phoenix, Arizona 4,120.00 |
| Immanuel, Winter Haven, Florida 5,140.35 |
| Redeemer, Cheyenne, Wyoming 2,970.00 |
| Redemption, Alderwood Manor, Wash 5,560.00 |
| St. Peter's, Denver, Colorado 3,664.35 St. Stephen's, San Carlos, California 4,749.35 |
| Servant of Christ, Los Angeles, Cal. 4,410.00 |
| Trinity, Denver, Colorado 2,160.00 |
| Pastor Paul Albrecht, Maddion, Wis. 675.00 |
| CLC Parsonage, Phoenix, Arizona 1,380.00 General Missions Administration 1,800.13 |
| TOTAL |
| Japan Mission 6,600.00 TOTAL MISSION BOARD DISBURSEMENTS \$ 52,528.18* |
| *This amount is \$3,213.22 under the budget of \$55,741.00 |
| (including proposed salary increase). |
| SUMMARY #3 |
| IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE DISBURSEMENTS: |
| Educational Budget |
| 1ash Salaries \$38,095.00 |

| I. | Educat | tiona1 | Bud | dge | et | | 15.50 | | | - | 000 | | |
|----|--------|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|-------------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$38,095.00 |
| | 1c. | Profes | si | ona | a 1 | A | dva | and | cer | nei | nt | | 453.50 |
| | 1d. | Admini | sti | at | ti | on | E | кре | ens | se | | | 154.73 |

| 2. 3. 4. 5. TOTAL | Periodicals |
|---|---|
| II. Auxi1 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. TOTAL | iary Services Budget Social Security |
| III. Extra | Professor Radtke Moving \$ 91.64 Cleaning Septic Tank 89.10 |
| | Budget |
| | Estimated Revenues |
| | BUDGET SUMMARY |
| | Total Disbursements \$144,971.31 Less: College Revenues |

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

| Receipts: Cash on Hand July 1, 1966 \$ 1,373.66 Offerings | | |
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| STUDENT AID FUND | | |
| Receipts: Cash on Hand July 1, 1966 \$ 232.47 Offerings | | \$ 413.24 |
| Disbursements: Immanuel Lutheran College | | \$ 200.00 213.24 |
| ILC RELOCATION FUND | | |
| Cash on Hand July 1, 1966 \$ 346.95 Transferred to Debt Retirement Reserve Fund. \$ 346.95 | | |
| ILC CLASSROOM BUILDING FUND | | |
| Cash on Hand July 1, 1966 \$ 2,642.40 | | |
| Transferred to Debt Retirement Reserve Fund. \$ 2,642.40 | | |
| DEBT RETIREMENT RESERVE FUND | | |
| Receipts: Transfer from ILC Relocation Fund \$ 346.95 Transfer from ILC Classroom Building Fund. Offerings (includes those designated for Relocation and Classroom Funds . 2,170.60 Interest Earned on Savings | | |

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| | | | | 1966 | | | | | | | 12011 | |

| | ILC PROFESSORAGE BUILDING FUND |
|-----|--|
| | Receipts: Cash on Hand July 1, 1966 \$10,101.14 Property Mortgage |
| | Disbursements: Construction and Miscellaneous Expense 41,841.82 Total Disbursements |
| | CLC PARSONAGE FUND (Phoenix, Arizona) |
| | Receipts: Cash on Hand July 1, 1966 \$ 467.96 CLC Mission Board |
| | Disbursements: Legal Expenses |
| | CLC RESERVE FUND Interest Earned, Balance on Hand July 1, 1967 \$ 115.58 |
| Ι. | American National Bank and Trust Co., Eau Claire, Wisconsin Mortgage Balance, July 1, 1966 |
| | Less Interest |
| II. | Notes Payable to Private Parties For: General Fund |
| | |

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|----------|---|
| | Phoenix Parsonage |
| | Note Payable to Seller: Balance as of July 1, 1967 \$ 2,218.29 |
| | Total CLC Debt July 1, 1967 |
| | Total CLC Debt July 1, 1966 |
| | Debt Increase |
| | Respectfully submitted, |
| | Lowell R. Moen, Treasurer 1309 7th Avenue N. W. |
| | Austin, Minnesota 55912 |
| | |
| | TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION |
| | July 1, 1967 to July 1, 1968 |
| | BUDGETARY |
| Receipt: | |
| | Offerings |
| | Interest Earned 1966-1967 |
| F | Revenues, Tuition 20,492.00 Revenues, Board and Room 42,232.00 |
| | Revenues, Other College |
| Disburs | |
| | General Administration |
| | (See Summary #1) \$ 2,601.51 Insurance |
| (| Capital Investments |
| | (See Summary #2) 56,948.99 Japan Mission 8,400.00 |
| | Immanuel Lutheran College |
| - | (See Summary #3) <u>89,211.47</u> FOTAL DISBURSEMENTS |
| | Cash Deficit for Fiscal Year \$.41 |
| | Cash Deficit, July 1, 1967 1,386.62 |
| | Cash Deficit, July 1, 1968 1,387.03 |
| E | Borrowed Money (Notes Payable) in General Fund \$ 10,000.00 |
| I | Borrowed Money on Hand July 1, 1968 |
| | SUMMARY #1 |
| | GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DISBURSEMENTS: |
| | Trave1 Expense 946.47 |
| | Meals and Lodging |

| Postage \$ | 123.33 |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Printing and Stationery | 122.87 |
| Interest | 500.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 127.92 |
| Journal of Theology | 400.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 2,601.51* |

*This amount is \$301.51 over the budget of \$2,300.00.

SUMMARY #2

| MISSION | BOARD | DISBURSEMENTS: |
|---------|-------|----------------|
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| MISSION BOARD DISBORSEMENTS: |
|--|
| Berea, St. Paul, Minnesota \$ 4,370.00 |
| Gethsemane, Spokane, Washington . 2,475.00 |
| Grace, Minneapolis, Minnesota 4,500.00 |
| Holy Cross, Phoenix, Arizona 3,921.00 |
| Immanuel, Winter Haven, Florida . 6,960.00 |
| Redeemer, Cheyenne, Wyoming 3,870.00 |
| Redemption, Alderwood Manor, Wash 5,760.00 |
| St. Peter's, Denver, Colorado 4,731.00 |
| St. Stephen's, San Carlos, Cal 4,216.10 |
| Servant of Christ, Los Angeles, |
| California 4,860.00 |
| Trinity, Denver, Colorado 2,015.00 |
| Bethel, Houston, Texas 60.00 |
| Pastor Paul Albrecht, Madison, WI 3,941.80 |
| Phoenix Parsonage Fund 1,380.00 |
| Administration |
| TOTAL |
| Japan Mission 8,400.00 |
| TOTAL MISSION BOARD DISBURSEMENTS \$65,348.99* |
| 171. |

*This amount is \$2,647.99 over the budget of \$62,701.00. (\$1,500.00 of this overage is due to Pastor Fred Tiefel's furlough fund, being disbursed, which is actually to be from the '68-'69 budget.)

SUMMARY #3

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE DISBURSEMENTS:

| I. Educational Budget | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. a,b,c, & d Salaries | \$41,205.00 |
| 2. Professional Advancement | 249.50 |
| 3. Administration Expense . | 192.97 |
| 4. Board of Regents Expense | 96.83 |
| 5. Athletic Program | |
| 6. Classroom Equipment | |
| 7. Library | |
| 8. Equipment, Furniture | |
| 9. Pianos & Typewriters | |
| 10. Office & Postage | 462.04 |
| 11. Catalog & Printing | 320.63 |
| 12. Fuel | |
| 13. Electric Power | |
| 14. Grounds Care | 297.64 |
| | |

| | Building Improvements \$ 455.69 Contingency |
|--|--|
| 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. | Service Wages |
| III. E | Xtra-Budgetary Payment on New Boiler \$ 2,308.00 TOTAL EXTRA |
| | Budget |
| | Estimated Revenues \$61,450.00 Actual Revenues \$ 1,699.00 Over Estimate |
| | BUDGET SUMMARY Total Disbursements \$170,225.03 Less: College Revenues |
| | CLC RESERVE FUND Interest Earned, Balance on Hand July 1, 1968 \$ 268.60 |

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

| Control of the Contro | | | |
|--|---|----|--------------------|
| Receipts: Cash on Hand July 1, 1967 \$ 3,738.58 Offerings | | \$ | 6,892.20 |
| Loan Outstanding to Servant of Christ, Los Angeles | | \$ | 6,000.00 |
| STUDENT AID FUND | | | |
| Receipts: Cash on Hand July 1, 1967 \$ 213.24 Offerings | | \$ | 467.98 |
| Disbursements: | | *1 | |
| Immanuel Lutheran College | | \$ | 200.00 197.98 |
| ILC PROFESSORAGE BUILDING FUND | | | |
| Receipts: Cash on Hand July 1, 1967 \$ 653.03 Property Mortgage 4,000.00 Taken from Debt Retirement Reserve | | | |
| Fund | | \$ | 5,199.70 |
| Disbursements: | | * | |
| Construction & Miscellaneous Expense. \$ 5,199.70 Total | • | \$ | 5,199.70 |
| (Phoenix, Arizona) | | | |
| Receipts: Cash on Hand July 1, 1967 \$ 1,064.43 CLC Mission Board | • | \$ | 2,507.26 |
| Disbursements: Note Payments and Interest \$ 485.00 Legal Expense | | \$ | 490.00 2,017.26 |
| | | | |

DEBT RETIREMENT RESERVE FUND

| | Receipts: Cash on Hand July 1, 1967 \$ 5,768.51 Offerings and Memorials 2,308.63 Interest Earned on Savings Account |
|------|--|
| | Disbursements: ILC Professorage Building Fund |
| | CLC DEBTS |
| I. | American National Bank and Trust Co., Eau Claire, Wisconsin Mortgage Balance July 1, 1967 |
| | Monthly Payments made |
| | Mortgage Balance July 1, 1968 |
| II. | Notes Payable to Private Parties July 1, 1967 Balance |
| | Principal Paid \$1,472.81 |
| | Note Donated \$ 1,972.81 |
| | Balance July 1, 1968 |
| III. | Phoenix Parsonage Note Payable to Seller: Balance as of July 1, 1968 \$ 1,963.41 Total |
| | Total |
| | Respectfully submitted. |

Respectfully submitted,

Lowell R. Moen, Treasurer 1309 7th Avenue N. W. Austin, Minnesota 55912

CLC CONGREGATIONAL REPORTS July 1, 1967 to July 1, 1968

| | Com. | | | | |
|--------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|------------|---|------------------------------|
| MICHIGAN CONFERENCE | Mem. | Budgetary | C.E.F. | Other \$ | Tota1 |
| Coloma, Michigan | 184 | \$ 2,527.17 | \$ | \$ | \$ 2,527.17 |
| Dowagiac, Michigan | 27 | 522.56 | | | 522.56 |
| Saginaw, Michigan | 148 359 | \$\frac{1,548.70}{4,598.43}\$ | | | \$ \frac{1,548.70}{4,598.43} |
| | 222 | 7 7,550.75 | | | 7 4,550.45 |
| MINNESOTA CONFERENCE | | | | | |
| Austin, Minnesota | 325 | \$10,291.87 | \$ 451.00 | \$ 194.15 | \$10,937.02 |
| Detroit Lakes, Minnesta | 55 | 51.75 | | | 51.75 |
| Eagle Lake, Minnesota | 84 | 918.98 | 11.00 | | 929.96 |
| Minneapolis, Minnesota | 71 | 1,212.82 | 81.25 | | 1,294.07 |
| Hancock, Minnesota | 31 | 1,233.71 | 4.00 | 100000000000000000000000000000000000000 | 1,737.71 |
| Houston, Texas | 9 | 141.91 | 16.75 | | 158.66 |
| Mankato, Minnesota | 859 | 9,544.74 | 380.00 | | 9,986.74 |
| New U1m, Minnesota | 92 | 1,108.07 | 142.37 | | 1,250.44 |
| Nicollet, Minnesota | 28 | 441.86 | 20 | | 441.86 |
| Okabena, Minnesota | 238 | 4,726.99 | 141.00 | | 4,867.99 |
| Parkers Prairie, Minn. | 16 | 405.40 | 20.00 | | 425.40 |
| Ponsford, Minnesota | 56 | 63.75 | | 25.00 | 88.75 |
| Red Wing, Minnesota | 114 | 2,259.62 | | 239.00 | 2,498.62 |
| Rochester, Minnesota | 13 | 1,078.00 | | | 1,078.00 |
| St. Louis, Missouri | 25 | 22.00 | | | 22.00 |
| St. Paul, Minnesota | 41 | 2,570.40 | 93.45 | | 2,663.85 |
| Sanborn, Minnesota | 87 | 3,651.87 | 32.00 | | 3,983.31 |
| Sleepy Eye, Minnesota | 217 | 5,731.16 | 411.30 | 76.00 | 6,218.46 |
| West Columbia, S. C. | | 450.00 | | | 450.00 |
| Winter Haven, Florida | 89 | 794.00 | | | 794.00 |
| | 2,450 | \$46,698.88 | \$1,784.12 | \$1,395.59 | \$49,878.59 |
| | | | | | |
| PACIFIC COAST CONFERENCE | | A 000 00 | | A 10 00 | 4 000 00 |
| Alderwood Manor, Wash. | 38 | \$ 893.09 | \$ | \$ 10.00 | \$ 903.09 |
| Clarkston, Washington | 62 | 1,128.16 | | 5.00 | 1,133.16 |
| Fresno, California | | 20.00 | | | 20.00 |
| Japan Mission | 1.1. | 40.00 | | | 40.00 |
| Los Angeles, California | 44 | 270.00 | | | 270.00 |
| Missoula, Montana | 21 | 287.20 | | | 287.20 |
| Orofino, Idaho | 30 | 366.23 | | 175 00 | 366.23 |
| San Carlos, California | 49 | 1,019.55 | | 175.00 | 1,194.55 |
| Spokane, WashGethseman | | 1,958.67 | | 44.26 | 2,002.93 |
| Spokane, WashTrinity | 162 | 2,815.00 | <u> </u> | h 001 07 | 2,815.00 |
| | 497 | \$ 8,797.90 | \$ | \$ 234.26 | \$ 9,032.16 |

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| WEST CENTRAL CONFERENCE | Mem. | Budgetary | C.E.F. | 0ther | Tota1 |
| Bowdle, South Dakota | 127 | \$ 2,832.56 | \$ \$ | | \$ 2,832.56 |
| Cheyenne, Wyoming | 74 | 799.23 | | | 799.23 |
| Denver, CO - St. Luke's | 108 | 1,131.15 | | | 1,131.15 |
| Denver, CO - St. Peter's | 16 | 70.00 | | | 70.00 |
| Denver, CO - Trinity | 23 | 180.00 | | | 180.00 |
| | | | | | |
| Estelline, South Dakota | 39 | 1,248.09 | | | 1,248.09 |
| Faulkton, South Dakota | 64 | 317.55 | | | 317.55 |
| Firesteel, South Dakota | 11 | 83.58 | | | 83.58 |
| Hecla, South Dakota | 15 | 961.86 | | | 961.86 |
| Ipswich, South Dakota | 66 | 423.15 | | | 423.15 |
| Jamestown, North Dakota | 196 | 1,476.52 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 1,480.52 |
| Lamar, Colorado | 81 | 666.41 | | | 666.41 |
| Lemmon, South Dakota | 118 | 2,686.77 | 321.00 | | 3,007.77 |
| Mission, South Dakota | 23 | 950.10 | 125.00 | | 1,075.10 |
| Phoenix, Arizona | 30 | 745.35 | | 25.00 | 770.35 |
| Valentine, Nebraska | 70 | 880.13 | 95.59 | 5.00 | 980.72 |
| 10 | 129 | 3,204.02 | 281.30 | 2.00 | 3,485.32 |
| Watertown, South Dakota | | | | | |
| White River, South Dakota | 43 | 883.09 | 10.00 | | 893.09 |
| Winner, South Dakota | 55 | 313.86 | ± 001 00 1 | | 313.86 |
| 1, | , 188 | \$19,853.42 | \$ 834.89 \$ | 32.00 | \$20,720.31 |
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| WISCONSIN CONFERENCE | | 3 92 - 500 | | | A VARANCE SEED |
| Cambridge, Wisconsin | 31 | \$ 603.20 | \$ \$ | | \$ 603.20 |
| Chicago, Illinois | 21 | 409.79 | 69.79 | | 479.58 |
| Eau Claire, Wisconsin | 131 | 2,815.95 | 167.78 | | 2,983.73 |
| Fond du Lac, Wisconsin | 419 | 9,256.46 | | | 9,256.46 |
| Green Garden, Michigan | 200 | 1,306.32 | | | 1,306.32 |
| Madison Mission, WI | 21 | 410.12 | | | 410.12 |
| Markesan, Wisconsin | 177 | 3,556.71 | | | 3,556.71 |
| Marquette, Michigan | 118 | 2,483.42 | | 10.00 | 2,493.42 |
| | 43 | 687.24 | | 10.00 | 687.24 |
| Millston, Wisconsin | | | | | |
| Milwaukee, Wisconsin | 54 | 1,364.73 | 1.7 50 | | 1,364.73 |
| Onalaska, Wisconsin | 35 | 274.65 | 46.50 | 105.00 | 321.15 |
| Stambaugh, Michigan | 100 | 2,347.32 | | 105.00 | 2,452.32 |
| Stoddard, Wisconsin | 54 | 644.57 | 112.25 | | 756.82 |
| 1, | 404 | \$26,160.48 | \$ 396.32 \$ | 115.00 | \$26,671.80 |
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| Michigan Conference | | \$ 4,598.43 \$ 46,698.88 \$ 8,797.90 \$ 19,853.42 | \$ \$ | | \$ 4,598.43 |
| Minnesota Conference | | \$ 46,698.88 | \$1,784.12 \$ | 1,395.59 | \$ 49,878.59 |
| Pacific Coast Conference | | \$ 8,797.90 | \$ \$ | | |
| West Central Conference | | \$ 19,853.42 | \$ 834.89 \$ | 32.00 | \$ 9,032.16 \$ 20,720.31 |
| Wisconsin Conference | | \$ 26,160.48 | \$ 396.32 \$ | 115.00 | \$ 26,671.80 |
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|----------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|---|---|--|--|
| Reports: | 1960 44 | 1961 55 | 1962 61 | 196 <u>3</u> | 1964 63 | 1965 63 | <u>1966</u> 63 | 1967 62 | - congregations (member and affiliated) |
| Member- ship: Minis- | 1365 4740 2289 7120 | 1 <i>5</i> 27 <i>5</i> 404 2 <i>5</i> 33 8128 | 1909 5953 2759 8992 | 1448 5546 2604 8383 | 1495 5806 2811 8684 | 1481 5895 2797 8728 | 1518 5919 2630 8549 | 6028 2786 | - voters - communicants - pre-confirmation children - total souls |
| trations: | 9 212 49 147 53 81 16308 3.4 | 23 263 73 183 83 68 20790 3.8 | 35 302 86 184 69 80 22751 3.8 | 17 261 60 189 55 63 22174 4.0 | 21 223 64 160 86 65 22916 4.0 | 23 245 75 179 89 66 22377 3.8 | 23 233 87 173 91 69 23615 4.0 | 224 82 158 85 68 25452 | - adult baptisms - child baptisms - adult confirmations - child confirmations - marriages - funerals - total communed - average per communicant |
| Education: | 7 276 15 1307 192 176 24 749 78 | 7 322 16 1441 219 239 35 913 101 | 8 385 19 1574 243 310 51 860 105 | 8 379 19 1519 236 287 36 1005 110 | 8 411 23 1529 243 264 36 995 107 | 8 426 21 1510 225 222 34 935 110 | 9 397 22 1566 251 268 33 1040 130 | 395 23 1562 228 318 37 975 | - Christian Day Schools - CDS enrollment - CDS teachers - Sunday School enrollment - SS teachers - Saturday School enrollment - Sat. S. teachers - VBS enrollment - VBS teachers |
| | \$342,158 26,419 4,529 372,855 78.85 | \$366,651 44,048 3,619 414,318 76.67 | \$383,775 55,371 4,972 444,148 74.95 | \$383,137 58,832 2,310 60,726 502,987 90.69 | \$432,392 75,104 2,638 12,870 525,354 90.48 | \$420,469 80,538 9,235 9,811 520,759 88.34 | \$455,661 91,276 4,631 551,568 93.19 | 7,498 614,227 | - home - CLC missions - CLC special - CLC ILC Relocation - CLC Classroom Fund - total contributions - average per communicant |

Respectfully submitted - Paul F. Nolting, Statistician