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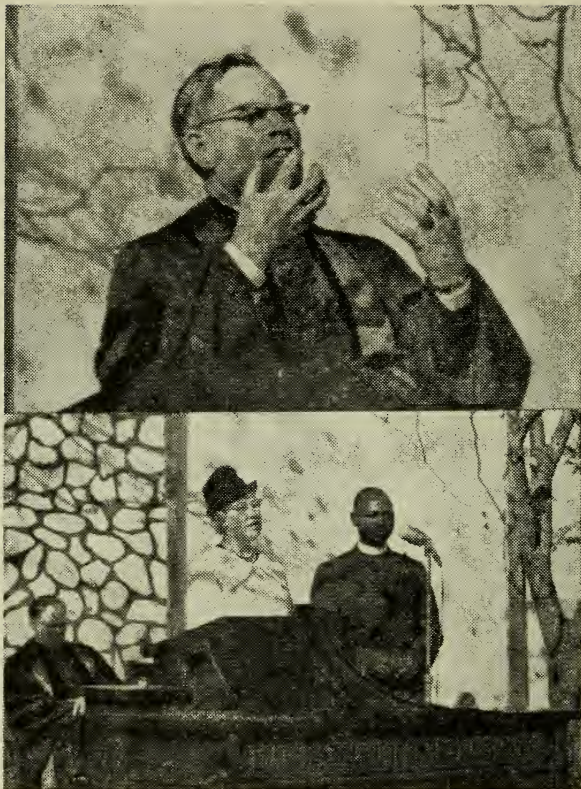
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DODGES IN FAREWELL



Speaking earnestly to a crowd of 2000 or more in an outdoor service at Hilltop Church, Bishop and Mrs. Dodge urge unity in Christ. Many from other denominations came. Earlier that day the Dodges had been in Rusape. They closed the day at Mutambara, then went to "North Country" for meetings at Mrewa, Nyadiri, Mtoko, and Nyamuzuwe, on Monday and Tuesday.

SPECIAL REPORT

Deportation of Bishop Ralph E. Dodge and Rev. Robert Hughes

Bishop Ralph E. Dodge flew from Salisbury Airport, along with Rev. Robert Hughes and family, on July 31, 1964, after being given deportation orders on July 16 by the Southern Rhodesian Government. No reason was ever furnished the two ministers.

Protests began immediately. Rev. Jonah Kawadza and Rev. Kare Eriksson called together Methodists in Salisbury on July 17. They were joined by people from all over the Conference, and a Committee of 10 was raised to see what could be done: the four district superintendents plus Mr. I. Musamba, Rev. Abel Muzorewa, Rev. K. Eriksson, Mr. W. Finster, Dr. Mutasa, with Rev. Kawadza serving as chairman.

A solicitor was retained for legal advice. A request was made for a conference with the Minister of Internal Affairs Mr. Harper, and an appeal made by Rev. Hughes against the order. The final answer came, saying that there would be no useful purpose served in having such a discussion, and that the reasons could not be revealed.

Granted Three Days

However, Bishop Dodge was granted three days of

Pastors Appeal to Prime Minister



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From many churches in the Salisbury area ministers came together on Monday, July 20, to appeal to Mr. Ian Smith, Southern Rhodesia Prime Minister, that the deportation order to Bishop Dodge and Rev. R. Hughes be cancelled. There is still strong determination in the churches of Rhodesia not to let the matter drop.

Methodists Protest Deportation



Many people, missionaries and Africans alike, carried signs in protest before the District Commissioner's Office, Post Office and the Magistrate's Court, such as W. Kinyon, Mrs. S. Tsopotsa, Mrs. R. Kauffman and Mrs. B. Mutasa.

return to Rhodesia for the wedding of his daughter, Lois, to Mr. John Stewart on August 15, and Mrs. Dodge was permitted to stay until after the wedding.

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Bishop and Mrs. Ralph E. Dodge

Part I

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Old Umtali Methodist Centre
P.B. P7024, Umtali

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Mutambara Methodist Centre
P.O. Mutambara
- ASSISTANT:** Rev. Nathaniel Chiwota
Matendeudze Methodist Church
P.O. Mutambara
- LAY LEADER:** Mr. Isaac Musamba (above)

B. BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. CABINET

Bishop, administrative assistant, district superintendents, 2 representatives of W.D.C.S., station chairmen.

2. BOARD OF FINANCE AND COORDINATION

Bishop (Chairman)

Ministers	Laymen	Laywomen
1. A. Muzorewa	E. Mutasa	Mrs. D. Mudzengerere
2. J. Chidzikwe	W. Marima	Miss M. Deyo
3. D. Nyamurowa	N. Gandanzara	Mrs. S. Munjoma
4. K. Eriksson	G. Gonah	Mrs. E. Griffin
5. M. Murphree	S. Chibanda	Mrs. P. Nyamukapa
6. H. Griffin	M. Mataranyika	Mrs. M. Chikwinya

Alternates

1. D. Mudzengerere	B. Mutambara	Mrs. R. Kapenzi
2. S. Kowo	P. Molife	Mrs. J. Katsande
3. J. Jijita	G. Fleshman	Miss M. Taylor
4. N. Chiwota	K. Myududu	Mrs. E. Kinyon
5. M. Ball	A. Dangarembga	Mrs. M. Murphree
6. S. Muzulu	M. Piburn	Mrs. O. Mufudza

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A. First Group

1. AUDIT

S. Kundishora (Chm), E. Russell (Sec), H. Anfinson, A. Landin, Mrs. A. Leiknes, K. Mapira, S. Muzulu, C. Nyabvure, E. Machiri.

2. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, HOME AND FAMILY LIFE

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3. EDUCATION

D.S. of Mrewa District; 3 ministers—S. Kowo, D. Muzengerere, O. Stine; 3 principals—of Old Umtali, Mrewa, Nyadiri; 2 post-six headmasters—of Nyamuzuwe, Mutambara; 2 school managers—S. Kundishora, F. Brancel; 4 at large—N. Gandanzara, S. Chibanda, Mrs. J. Chitombo, R. Harmon.

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2. MEMOIRS

C. Tsuro, A. Kajese, N. Madzinga, E. Kuwana.

3. MINISTRY

Class of 1965—J. Chidzikwe, J. Chitombo, M. Murphree, K. Eriksson.

Class of 1966—K. Choto, J. Kawadza, S. Muzulu, O. Stine.

Class of 1967—D. Chikosi, A. Muzorewa, H. Griffin, J. Jijita.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

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3. DEACONESS

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4. HISTORICAL

Pastor, Old Umtali; Principal, O.U.B.I.; V. Culver, W. Mandisodza, C. Miller, J. Schevinus, E. Sells, F. Tsopotsa.

5. MEDICAL

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D. Fourth Group

1. NGARIENDE

O. Stine (Chm), J. Jijita (Vice-Chm), M. Chiza (Sec), M. Murphree (Treas), J. Chidzikwe, L. Chieza, E. Chikodzi, R. Chikosi, K. Chikwinya, E. Chimbanga, D. Chipaumire, M. Comstock, M. Deyo, J. Gurure, T. Gwati, C. Hanson, M. Kalso, P. Kajese, J. Kawadza, J. Machiri, P. Machiri, J. Makande, J. Makuto, J. Masenda, E. Matongo, I. Mawokomatanda, K. Mhandu, M. Muchanyereyi, S. Murahwa, N. Muskwe, J. Muziti, K. Mvududu, R. Noah, L. Nyanungo, J. Schevinius, V. Watson.

2. NOMINATIONS

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Class of 1966—S. Munjoma, P. Bwawa, R. Hughes.
Class of 1967—K. Eriksson, N. Madzinga, P. Gurupira.

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5. HILLTOP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1965—W. Kinyon; 1966—Umtali South District superintendent; 1967—Rev. J. Chitombo.

6. AFRICAN GIRLS' HOSTEL COMMITTEE

Umtali South District superintendent, pastors of St. Andrews and Hilltop churches, directress of the hostel, matron of the hostel, directress of the Fairfield girl's work (O.U.), directress of Mutambara girl's work (with power to co-opt).

Others

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Class of 1965—Conference Secretary, Conference Lay Leader, O. Stine; E. Mwoera, alternate.

Class of 1966—S. Chibanda, J. Kawadza; N. Thomas, alternate.

Class of 1967—Field Treasurer DWM, M. Culver, S. Kowo; N. Dikanifuwa, alternate.

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Class of 1966—2 African ministers plus alternate: K. Choto, D. Chikosi; alt. S. Kowo.

Class of 1967—1 African layman: R. Chikosi, alt., D. Maringanise. 1 European layman: C. Taylor; alt., G. Close. 1 European woman: M. Ball; alt., M. Taylor.

Fraternal Delegates

SYNOD: T. Curtis, alt., C. Hanson

N. Chiwota; alt., A. Katsande

L. Chikukwa; alt., K. Chikwinya

AMERICAN BOARD: P. Mudiwa; alt. E. Jijita

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Rezen Nyamapfene, secretary

Isaac Mudehwe, treasurer

Edgar Chambara, publicity

Rev. N. Thomas, Miss Shirley Himes, David Samudzimu, advisors

Rukwadzano rwe Wadzimai

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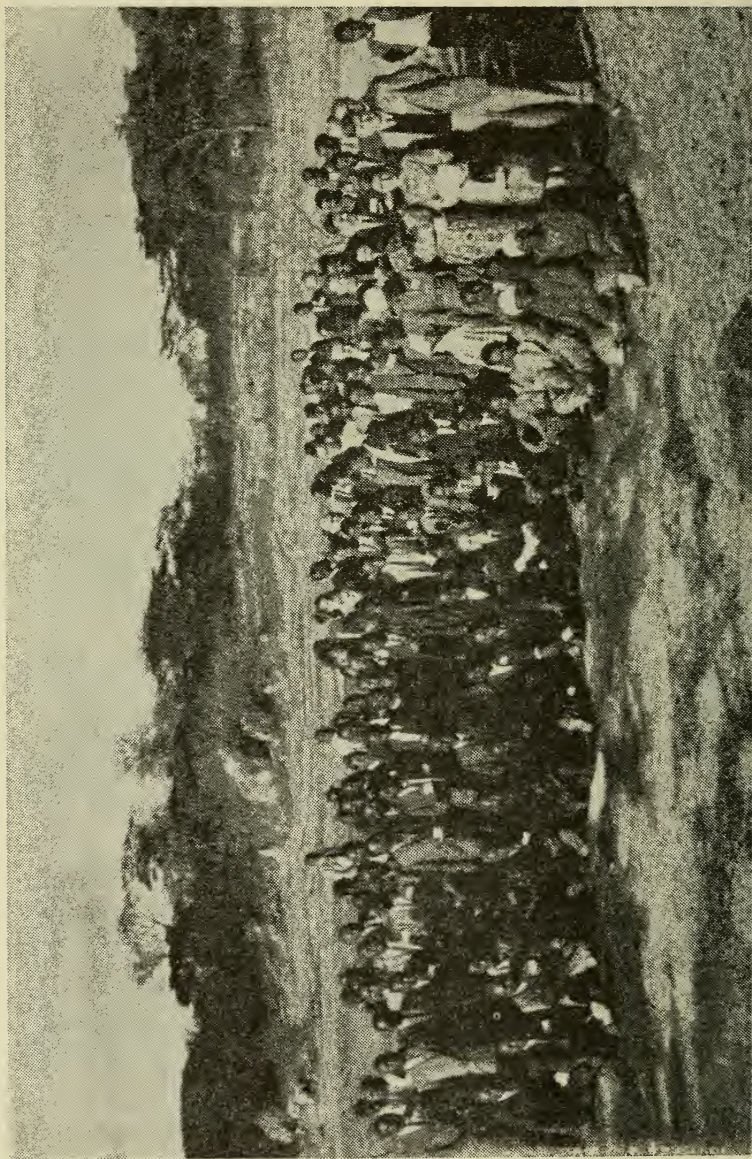
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Part II

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(Year indicates beginning of Conference membership;
"p" indicates present).

1. RETIRED MINISTERS

- 1927 p Chieza, Philip, P.O. Box 136, Rusape
1927 p Chieza, Samuel
1926 p Chimbadzwa, Josiah, P.O. Watsomba
1907 James, Henry I., "Jalna", Winton Rd., Cheltenham, Eng.
1932 p Kasambira, Silas P., P.B. C314, Umtali
1930 p Katsidzira, Hosea, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa
1924 p Katsidzira, Benjamin, P.B. M209, Umtali
1930 p Maramba, Johnson, P.O. Box 377, Umtali
1924 p Maranke, Titus
1928 p Muparutsa, Moses, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
1926 p Mukombiwa, Zachariah, P.O. Mrewa
1930 p Munjoma, Enoch
1917 Murphree, Marshall J., Box 108, Oneonta, Alabama
1928 p Nduna, John
1925 Ngonyama, Reginald
1910 O'Farrell, T. A., 417 Kitchel Ave., Pana, Illinois
1921 Roberts, G. A., P.O. Mutambara
1930 Rugayo, Jackson

2. EFFECTIVE MINISTERS

- 1953 Aldrich, Sylvia, Hadley, Michigan
1959 p Alvord, Alexander (furlough) c/o Norton Weems, 4921
Court H. Ensley, Birmingham 8, Alabama
1948 Anfinen, Hans F., Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba
1953 p Ball, Marcia M., P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali
1960 p Bisby, Joseph B., P.O. Mutambara
1940 p Blomquist, Lennart G., P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
1948 p Chidzikwe, Josiah, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
1934 p Chieza, Luke, P.O. Mutambara
1942 p Chigubu, Nason, Gurure Meth. Church, P.O. Mtoko
1953 p Chikosi, Davison, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa
1955 p Chimbwanda, Elijah, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
1956 p Chinogurei, David, P.B. 645E, Salisbury
1933 p Chitombo, Jonah, P.O. Mutambara
1952 p Chiza, Martin, Epworth Theological College,
P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury
1948 p Choto, Kenneth, 1223 S/D Harare, Salisbury
1959 p Chiwota, Nathaniel, Matendeudze, P.O. Mutambara
1943 Culver, Maurice E., Epworth Theological College,
P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury
1957 p Curtis, Thomas L., P.B. P7024, Umtali
1954 p Dikanifuwa, Nason, P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali
1943 p Eisenberg, J. Lawrence, 24 Jameson St., Umtali
1943 p Eriksson, Kare E., Epworth Theological College,
P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury
1923 Gates, Robert C., (on retirement furlough) Houses of
Fellowship, George, Apt. 2. 5 South Portland Ave.,
Ventnor, New Jersey
1956 Goodloe, Robert W., Hendrix College, Conway, Ark.

- 1948 p Griffin, Hunter D., P.B. P7024, Umtali
 1952 p Gurupira, Philemon, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1954 p Hanson, Coriless, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1948 Harper, Kenneth, 355 Transylvania Park, Lexington, Ky.
 1937 Hassing, Per, Boston University School of Theology,
 745 Commonwealth Ave., Boston 15, Massachusetts
 1959 p Heyer, Edward (furlough) 2624 Juhl Rd., Marlette,
 Michigan
 1960 Hillendahl, Louis, (furlough) 713 E. 14th, Houston,
 Texas
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 p Kaemmer, John, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1942 p Kajese, Amon C., P.O. Mtoko
 1961 p Kalso, Milton, P.O. Mutambara
 1955 p Katsande, Alfred, Mt. Makomwe, P.O. Box 1, Odzi
 1953 p Kawadza, Jonah, P.O. Box 8293, Causeway, Salisbury
 1953 p Kowo, Simon, 1951 Egypt, P.O. New Highfield, Salisb'y
 1953 p Kuwana, Elisha, Chitenderano, P.O. Box 86, Inyazura
 1958 Leiknes, Asbjorn, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba
 1933 p Machiri, Jonah, Chipfatsura, P.B. 17, Odzi
 1930 p Machiri, Patrick, Gandanzara, P.B. 8056, Rusape
 1953 p Madzinga, Nason, Makosa, P.O. Mtoko
 1948 p Makuto, Daniel, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa
 1942 p Mandisodza, Wilson, Muziti, P.B. 8052, Rusape
 1955 p Matongo, Ezekiel, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba
 1951 p Miller, Charles M. (furlough) 518 Academy Rd.,
 Baltimore 28, Maryland
 1959 p Mudzengerere, David L., P.O. Nyanyadzi
 1942 p Munjoma, Samuel, Q20, Mzilikazi Township, Bulawayo
 1954 p Murphree, Marshall W., Hawkshead Drive,
 P.O. Borrowdale, Salisbury
 1953 p Muzorewa, Abel, P.B. P7024, Umtali
 1956 p Muzulu, Samuel, P.O. Box 21, Mrewa
 1953 Nemaungwe, John R., Arnoldine, P.O. Headlands
 1944 p Noah, Raymond, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1948 p Nyamukapa, Patron, P.O. Mutambara
 1961 p Nyamurowa, Dennison, Chitimbe, P.O. Box 34, Mrewa
 1953 p Otto, Grace, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
 1953 p Otto, Vivian, P.B. P7024, Umtali
 1921 p Sells, E. L., P.O. Box 8406, Causeway, Salisbury
 1943 p Stine, Ovid, Dumba Store, P. Bag 10, Inyanga.
 1955 p Thomas, Norman, Arnoldine, P.O. Headlands
 1954 p Zuze, Solomon, P.B. M7214, Umtali

3. MINISTERS ON TRIAL

- 1963 p Gurure, J. Johnstone, Chamapango, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa
 1962 p Harmon, Roger, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa
 1960 Kapenzi, Geoffrey, Boston University School of
 Theology, 745 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston 15, Mass.
 1960 Kurewa, John, Asbury College, Wilmore, Kentucky
 1963 p Matongo, Rudolph, P.B. C314, Umtali

1962 Munjoma John, Mt. Union College, Alliance, Ohio
1962 p Muziti, Josiah, Samanga, P.B. J7125, Umtali
1964 p Nyanungo, Lovemore, Mutsago, P.B. P7006, Umtali

4. LAY MEMBERS

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Rusape.
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Dohwa Council School, P.O. Gwagwadza, Rusape.
Chiduku South: S. Musikawanhu, p,
Sharara School, P.O. Box 142, Inyazura.
Gandanzara: M. Mukambachaza, p,
Chikuruwa School, P.B. 14, Rusape.
Penhalonga-Odzi: D. Chidzikwe, p,
M.E. Church School, P.O. Penhalonga.
Old Umtali: W. Marima, p, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali.
Mundenda: K. Kahlari, p, Marara School, P.B. P7024, Umtali.
Nyakatsapa: M. Mataranyika, p, Shona Language School,
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Inyanga North: E. Mupesa, Mrs. O. Stine (alt.) p,
Nyamurundira Brothers, Dumba Store, P.B. 10, Inyanga,
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K. Matanire, p, Nyamukoho School, P.O. Mtoko
Chikwizo: Martha Ngaufe, p, Chikwizo School, P.B. 504 Mtoko.
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Marange South: C. Turo, p, Mukwada Store, Box 196 Umtali.
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Mt. Makomwe School, P.B. 1, Odzi.
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Mutambara East: E. Mukonde, p,
Matendeudze School, P.O. Mutambara
Zimunya North: P. Matsikinyire, p,
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Chikore-Tanda: P. Sangarwe, p, Nyahowe School, P.B. 32, Hdlds

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Chapata, Edward, Nyamutumbu School, P.B. 645E, Salisbury
Chikodsi, Elia, P.B. 288, Umtali
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Dziwa, Nisbert, P.O. Box 377, Umtali
Kajese, Philemon, P.O. Mtoko
Kasiyamhuru, Lazarus, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
Makande, Josiah, Arnoldine, P.O. Headlands
Makuto, Joseph, Chikwizo School, P.O. Mtoko
Masenda, Jarius, P.O. Box 10, Mrewa
Matambanadzo, Annual, P.O. Box 34, Mrewa
Mawokomatanda, Isaac, P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali
Mhandu, Kenneth, Nyamukwarara School, Stapleford Forest
Reserve, P.B. 72, Penhalonga
Muchanyerei, Morgan, Methodist Church, P.O. Penhalonga
Murahwa, Silas, Nyautare, Dumba Store, P.B. 10, Inyanga
Muswe, Nason, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
Mutanga, Evison, Chikuhwa School, P.B. 14, Mrewa

2. DEACONESSES

Samudzimu, Mrs. E., P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali

3. MISSIONARIES

a. Retired

1952 Aeschliman, Mrs. Myrtle, 2951 Calderwood Lane,
Sacramento 21, California, U.S.A.
1912 Clark, Grace, 275 Robincroft Dr., Pasadena 6, Calif.
1907 Gates, Mrs. H. L., Pickering, Ontario, Canada
1923 Gates, Mildred, Houses of Fellowship, George Apt. 2,
5 South Portland Ave., Ventnor, N. J.
1926 Hanson, Ruth, Siknas, Norrbottens, Lan, Sweden
1915 Hess, Stella, Brookes-Howell W.S.C.S. Home,

Asheville, North Carolina.

- 1950 Jones, Pearl Willis, 500 Faber Dr., Falls Church, Virginia
1923 King, Sarah, P.O. Box 388, Rt. 2, Fillmore, Calif.
1920 Murphree, Mrs. M. J., P.O. Box 108, Oneonta, Alabama
1952 Nutting, Clara, 5408 Blackstone Ave., Chicago 15, Illinois
1910 O'Farrell, Mrs. T. A., 417 Kitchell Ave., Pana, Illinois
1920 Parmenter, Ona, 275 Robincroft Dr., Pasadena 6, Calif.
1929 Pfaff, Jessie, 524 Bennett St., Bottineau, North Dakota
1917 Quinton, Frances, Wesley Manor, Frankfort, Indiana
1922 Reitz, Beulah, Brookes-Howell W.S.C.S. Home,
Asheville, North Carolina

- 1918 Roberts, Lulu Tubbs, P.O. Mutambara
1952 Sheretz, D. Lamar, 2905 Randolph Rd., Silver Springs,
Maryland.
1952 Sheretz, Mrs. D. L., (same address as above)
1937 Whitney, Alice, 7715 Valmont St., Tayunga, Calif.

b. Effective

- 1959 Alvord, Dorothy, (furlough) 4921 Court H. Ensley,
Birmingham 8, Alabama
1951 Anfinson, Odney, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba
1945 Ashby, Elma, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
1961 Bisby, Dorothy, P.O. Mutambara
1947 Blomquist, Maj-stina, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
1963 Brancel, Fred, 133 Main St., Umtali
1963 Brancel, Margaret, 133 Main St., Umtali
1960 Carroll, Seavy, (furlough) P.O. Box 144, Fayetteville,
North Carolina
1960 Carroll, Virginia, Box 144, Fayetteville, N. C.
1961 Close, Gerald, P.O. Mutambara
1961 Close, Miriam, P.O. Mutambara
1963 Comstock, Marjorie, P.B. P7024, Umtali
1944 Culver, Verna, Epworth Theological College,
P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury
1961 Curtis, Margaret, P.B. P7024, Umtali
1961 Deale, Hugh, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
1961 Deale, Marjorie, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
1960 Dewey, Lloyd, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
1960 Dewey, Joyce, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
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Anderson, Indiana
1961 Eisenberg, Helen, 24 Jameson St., Umtali
1943 Eriksson, Osta, Epworth Theological College,
P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury
1961 Finster, William, 140 Fern Rd., P.O. Hatfield, Salisbury
1961 Finster, Esther, 140 Fern Road, P.O. Hatfield, Salisbury
1958 Fleshman, George, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba
1958 Fleshman, Flora, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba
1951 Griffin, Ellabeth, P.B. P7024, Umtali
1947 Hackler, Frances, P.B. P7024, Umtali
1963 Hanson, Beth, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
1962 Harmon, Nancy, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa
1959 Heyer, Jane, (furlough), 2624 Juhl Rd., Marlette, Mich.
1949 Higgs, Bernie, P.B. P7024, Umtali
1949 Higgs, Mary Phil, P.B. P7024, Umtali

- 1960 Hillendahl, Mary, (furlough), 713 E. 14th, Houston, Tex.
 1962 Himes, Shirley, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1961 Hughes, Dorothy, 6A Galway, P.O. Avondale, Salisbury
 1947 Johannson, Margit, P.O. Mutambara
 1961 Johnson, Rosalie, P.B. P7024, Umtali
 1963 Kaemmer, Gloria, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1963 Kalso, Geraldine, P.O. Mutambara
 1960 Kauffman, Robert, P.B. P7024, Umtali
 1960 Kauffman, Marjorie, P.B. P7024, Umtali
 1950 Kinyon, Wallace, P.B. P7024, Umtali
 1950 Kinyon, Eunice, P.B. P7024, Umtali
 1959 Landin, Ernest, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba
 1959 Landin, Alice, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba
 1954 Larsen, Jenny, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1948 Leiknes, Astrid, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba
 1961 LeMasters, Charles, (furlough), Asbury Theological
 College, Wilmore, Kentucky.
 1961 LeMasters, Rose, Asbury Theological College
 1955 Lind, Ruth, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1962 Martiny, Joanne, P.O. Mutambara
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 1956 Matzigkeit, Ruth, P.B. P7024, Umtali
 1954 Miller, Ellen, (furlough) 518 Academy Rd.,
 Baltimore 28, Maryland
 1962 Morosani, Erica, P.B. P7024, Umtali
 1955 Murphree, Betty Jo, Hawkshead Dr., P.O. Borrowdale,
 Salisbury
 1961 Noah, Cleo, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1938 Parks, Edith, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa
 1963 Paulsen, Sverre, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
 1960 Perry, Jim, (furlough), Shady Dale, Georgia
 1960 Perry, Caroline, Shady Dale, Ga.
 1953 Piburn, Marvin, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1953 Piburn, Carolyn, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1963 Plumb, Dorothy, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
 1963 Plumb, William, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
 1961 Post, Bernice, P.O. Mutambara
 1946 Roberts, Tudor, P.O. Mutambara
 1946 Roberts, Emily, P.O. Mutambara
 1957 Roed, Elsie, (furlough), Enerbaervej 3, Risskov,
 Denmark
 1962 Rudy, Donald, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1962 Rudy, Ruth, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1952 Russell, Esther, P.B. P7024, Umtali
 1957 Schevenius, John, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa
 1957 Schevenius, Ruth, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa
 1925 Scovill, Ila, P.B. P7024, Umtali
 1929 Sells, Olga, P.O. Box 8406, Causeway, Salisbury
 1962 Short, Joanne, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1955 Simonsson, Bengt, P.O. Box 1319, Kitwe, N.R.
 1955 Simonsson, Marta, P.O. Box 1319, Kitwe, N.R.
 1943 Stine, Mava, Dumba Store, P.B. 10, Inyanga
 1951 Sweeney, Ellen (furlough), 4035 Cheviot Drive,
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 1961 Taylor, Claggett, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa

- 1961 Taylor, Patricia, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa
 1947 Taylor, Mildred, Hosgood Avenue, Umtali
 1961 Temperly, Joanne, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa
 1961 Thomas, Winnie, Arnoldine, P.O. Headlands
 1962 Watson, Raymond, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1962 Watson, Vivian, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
 1960 Way, Jane, (furlough), Methodist Board of
 Missions, 475 Riverside Drive, N.Y. 10027
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4. SPECIAL WORKERS

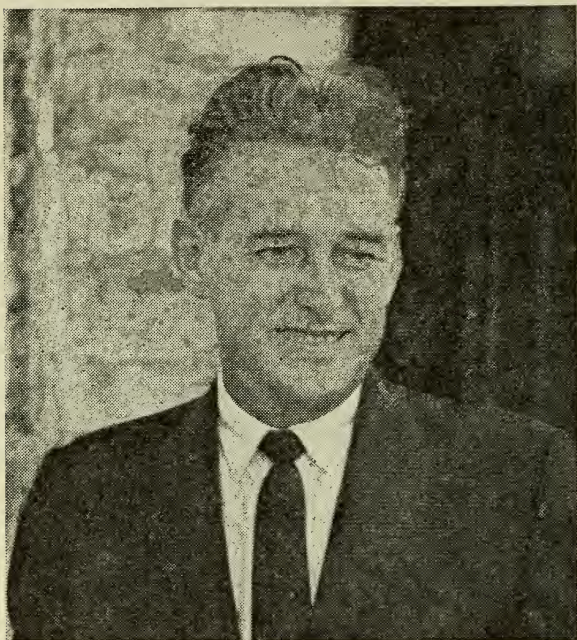
- Dodge, Miss Lois, P.B. P7024, Umtali
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Mission Board Executive, Dr. Eugene Smith, examines a python skin brought by Rev. O. Stine from Shapure, as the Scheviniuses look on.

Part III

Rhodesia Annual Conference Twenty - Fifth Session DAILY PROCEEDINGS



**Rev. Kenneth Enright, missionary from Katanga,
gave excellent noontime addresses.**

MONDAY, 11 MAY, 1964—OPENING COMMUNION—7:30 P.M.

After the welcome to all present by Rev. J. Kawadza and Rev. D. Chikosi, Bishop Dodge, assisted by T. Curtis, D. Chikosi, L. Blomquist, P. Nyamukapa, J. Kawadza and D. Makuto, administered the rite of Holy Communion. There were 192 persons who received communion.

TUESDAY, 12 MAY, 1964—DEVOTIONS—8:30 A.M.

Bishop Dodge announced that he would base his morning devotions on Paul's letter to the Philippians.

Using Philippians 1: 23, "I am between two straits," as his text, Bishop Dodge said that we live in a time of decision—to be or not to be a minister, a layman, a missionary, a Christian. Only through God's power can we walk the right path.

FIRST BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.

1. ROLL CALL: The roll of Conference was called by the secretaries. It was decided that the names of all missionaries and special workers be printed in the *Journal*, but not called in the roll call. Only the names of members of conference shall be called (See item 33 for amendment).

2. PROGRAM OF CONFERENCE: The printed programme was accepted as the official programme of the conference.

3. PRESENTATION OF GUESTS: The following guests were presented: Rev. Jesse Lawrence and Rev. E. Musa (Methodist Synod), Rev. A. E. Seager and Mr. B. Yane (London Missionary Society, Bechuanaland), and Rev. Kenneth Enright (Methodist, Congo).

4. BAR OF CONFERENCE: The centre section of the church was established as the bar of the conference for voting members.

5. NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: The nominations committee for the new quadrennium was nominated and elected.

6. DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORT: P. Nyamukapa read this report, summarizing the work of the Conference and of the districts during the past year.

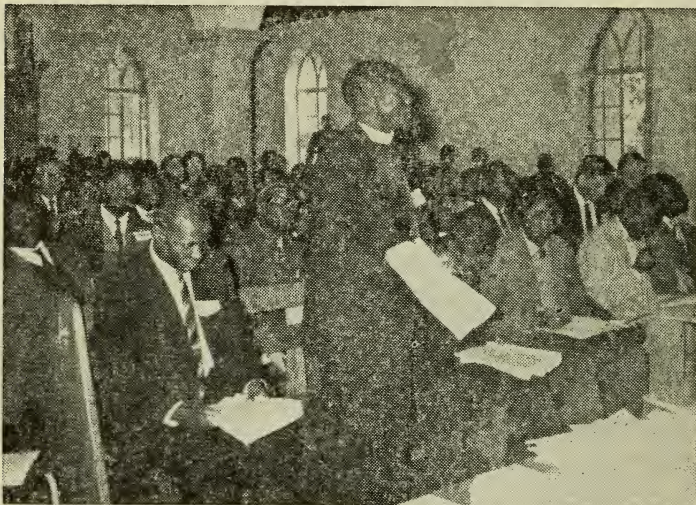
NOONDAY DEVOTIONS: Rev. K. Enright contrasted the visionary and the missionary, using the story of Agabus (Acts 11: 27-30, 21: 10-13). We all must be missionaries. To build Christ's Church in Africa, we must not only have a vision; we must share it.

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION—2:00 P.M.

7. CONSULTATION REPORT: Rev. L. Eisenberg assisted by Rev. H. Griffin, and L. Blomquist, presented the report of the Consultation on "The New Church in a New Africa," held at Old Umtali Methodist Centre, January 1-5, 1964. J. Chidzikwe moved that a committee study the proposed reorganization of the Church

(section on "Organization") and present a detailed report in Shona and English at this conference session. Seconded and carried. The rest of the report was accepted.

8. BOARD OF EVANGELISM: Rev. M. Murphree read his report as the Conference Secretary of Evangelism. J. Schevenius presented the report of the Board of Evangelism and a proposal for the reorganization of the Board of Evangelism and Ngariende.



Ministers in Conference are discussing a problem earnestly. To the left is Rev. Josiah Chidzikwe, delegate to General Conference, and standing is Rev. Daniel Makuto, host pastor.

9. NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: The following were elected as the nominations committee for the quadrennium: H. Griffin, M. Ball, S. Munjoma, N. Chiwota, A. Muzorewa, T. Curtis, J. Chidzikwe, L. Blomquist and D. Mudzengerere.

10. REORGANIZATION OF THE CHURCH: The following were appointed to study proposals on the reorganization of the church during the conference session: D. Mudzengerere, A. Muzorewa, K. Eriksson, L. Blomquist, G. Otto, L. Eisenberg, J. Kawadza, I. Muzumba, G. Gonah, Buxton Chikoore.

11. COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS: The following were appointed to the investigating committee on the character of any minister: J. Jijita (chairman), J. Bisby, N. Chigubu, C. Hanson, M. Ball.

12. EVANGELISM: (cont.): Rev. M. Murphree read the supplement on opening new work in Bechuanaland. Rev. A. E. Seager and Mr. B. Yane of the London Missionary Society church in Bechuanaland spoke of the needs of the church there. This supplement, (Item 11) was seconded and carried. Item 3 was referred to the district superintendents. Item 4 was referred to the Central Conference for study and action. Item 8 was added, requesting the Conference Secretary of Evangelism to study the causes of fluctuation in church membership. Item 9, 10, and 11 were referred to the district superintendent of the Mtoko-Nyadiri district for presentation to the Ecumenical Relations Committee. The entire report was then accepted and approved.

WEDNESDAY, 13 MAY, 1964

MORNING DEVOTIONS: Bishop Dodge said that there is nothing more important to us than to find the mind of Christ and His will.

“At this conference let us find out what Christ wants us to do,” he continued to say. A mind of Christ is a mind of forgiveness. He took his message from Phil. 2: 5.

THIRD BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.

13. RUKWADZANO: The report of the Rukwadzano rweWadzimai was read by Mrs. Mudzengerere. This report was adopted with the change of the name of Miss B. Ramsey to Mrs. Charles Oresek.

14. NGARIENDE: Rev. J. Kawadza said that the *Ngariende* report was included in the report of evangelism.

15. CHRISTIAN CONVENTION, NORTH: This report was given by G. Gonah and was accepted, except proposal to abolish Christian Conventions.

16. CHRISTIAN CONVENTION, SOUTH: Rev. E. Matongo read the report. Item 1 was rewritten as follows: “We resolve that the community development scheme for education in our country as planned by the Govern-

ment be vigorously opposed and we call for mass multi-racial education in Southern Rhodesia." The item was referred to the committee on education.

Item 3. These words were added: "We respect the approved church calendar and urge all groups to plan no meetings in conflict with it."

The matter of abolishing the Christian Conventions was referred back to the Christian Conventions North and South for further discussion.

The number of churches which send delegates to the conventions shall be reported to the next annual conference. The report was adopted.

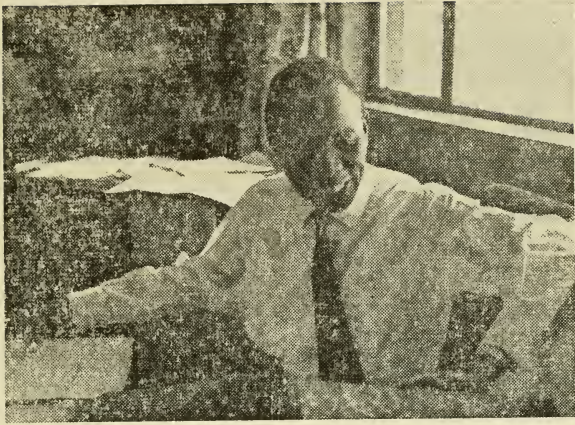
17. COURTESY COMMITTEE: Bishop Dodge appointed the following people to serve on this committee: Mr. R. Chikosi (Chm), Rev. S. Muzulu, Rev. R. Noah, and Rev. V. Otto. The recommendation of the committee was that privilege of the floor be granted to officials or representatives of institutions and organizations of the annual conference, e.g. Rukwadzano, M.Y.F., Wabvuwi. This privilege also includes doctors, school managers, and principals. This recommendation was adopted.

18. CONFERENCE PROGRAM: It was agreed to change the program, with the report of the delegates to General Conference to be given when Mr. Tsopotsa arrives.

19. BOARD OF TRUSTEES: The report was read by Rev. S. Kowo. Rev. Murphree moved that "the Rhodesia Annual Conference request the Methodist Board of Missions in New York and/or its two Divisions, to grant powers of attorney to the chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Rhodesia Annual Conference under an agreement effectively transferring all rights and management of the fixed and movable property in Southern Rhodesia now held in the name of the Board of Missions in New York, and/or its two Divisions, together with the removal of any limitations on the use of the property except those contained in the title deed." Seconded and carried. The report was adopted as amended.

20. Rev. J. Chimbadzwa: Bishop Dodge introduced Rev. J. Chimbadzwa who retired last year, and invited him to address the conference.

NOONDAY DEVOTIONS: Rev. K. Enright spoke of



S. Tsoyotsa, General Conference delegate, soon will be leaving for study in England.

four anchors of faith, basing his message upon Acts 27: 17-29. 1. God is God. 2. God has a plan for each of our lives. 3. God answers prayer; and 4. God stands by His chosen. He never leaves us alone.

FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION—2:00 P.M.

21. LANDS: Mr. Kinyon reported that all questions concerning lands are now included in the Board of Trustees report.

22. WABVUWI, SOUTH, NORTH, REPORTS: These reports were read by Mr. C. Zisengwe. They were adopted.

23. THEOLOGICAL COUNCIL: Rev. K. Eriksson reported that Synod and Conference representatives could not agree upon a uniform salary scale for African tutors at Epworth and O.U.B.I. The following recommendation was adopted: "We recommend a change in the constitution of the Joint Theological Council to permit each participating church to pay their respective tutors at Epworth and O.U.B.I. according to their own salary scales."

24. DISCUSSIONS ON CHURCH UNION: Bishop Dodge presented the outline scheme of union of the Rhodesia Annual Conference and the Southern Rhodesia Synod of the Methodist Church. It was voted that

discussions with the Methodist Synod, looking forward to church union, be continued.

25. COUNCIL OF CHURCHES: Rev. J. Kawadza, assisted by M. Murphree, E. Sells, and R. Hughes, reported on the meeting of churches interested in forming a Southern Rhodesia Council of Churches, affiliated with the World Council of Churches. The conference unanimously voted to become a member of this new Council of Churches.

26. EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION: Rev. T. Curtis read the report which was adopted.

27. DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORT: The question of church comity boundaries raised in the Mrewa District Superintendents' report, was discussed. It was agreed that the desires of our conference to revise comity agreements or abolish them to permit more vigorous evangelization, and shepherding of our members shall be conveyed to the Synod by our fraternal delegates and representatives on the Methodist Council. The District Superintendents' report was then adopted as read.

28. TEMPERANCE: The report was read by Rev. N. Dikanifuwa, and accepted. Rev. M. Ball distributed a temperance play so that local churches might use it.

29. CHRISTIAN HOME AND FAMILY LIFE: Rev. P. Gurupira presented the report.

Items 4 and 5 were referred to the Board of Publications for action. The report was adopted.

FIFTH BUSINESS SESSION—7:30 P.M.

30. CONFERENCE STATISTICIAN: The report was read by Rev. C. Miller and accepted with appreciation. A vote of thanks was extended to him for his work during the last quadrennium, in which he has presented statistics in a most graphic way.

31. BOARD OF PENSIONS AND CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS: The report was read by Rev. P. Gurupira. It was returned to the Board to present a full report.

32. BOARD OF DEACONESSES: The report was read by Rev. S. Kowo and accepted as read. Rev. H. Griffin moved, and it was carried, that the Deaconesses be listed in the *Journal*, and their names called on the

roll. Mrs. Samudzimu, deaconess, described her work.

33. GREETINGS: Greetings from the following friends were received by letter: Bishop and Mrs. N. S. Booth, Rev. and Mrs. Marshall Murphree, Rev. and Mrs. J. Kurewa, Rev. Sylvia Aldrich, Rev. and Mrs. A. Leiknes and family, Rev. and Mrs. J. Nemaungwe. Verbal greetings were sent by many others. The secretaries were instructed to send our greetings in return to those friends who had sent letters.

THURSDAY, 14 MAY, 1964

MORNING DEVOTIONS: Bishop Dodge spoke on the singleness of purpose which we need to seek first the Kingdom of God, using Philippians 3: 1-15. We like Paul "have not yet attained" (3: 13), but we are asked, "Are you going on to perfection?" We must forget what is behind and press forward to the prize of knowing Christ Jesus our Lord.

SIXTH BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.

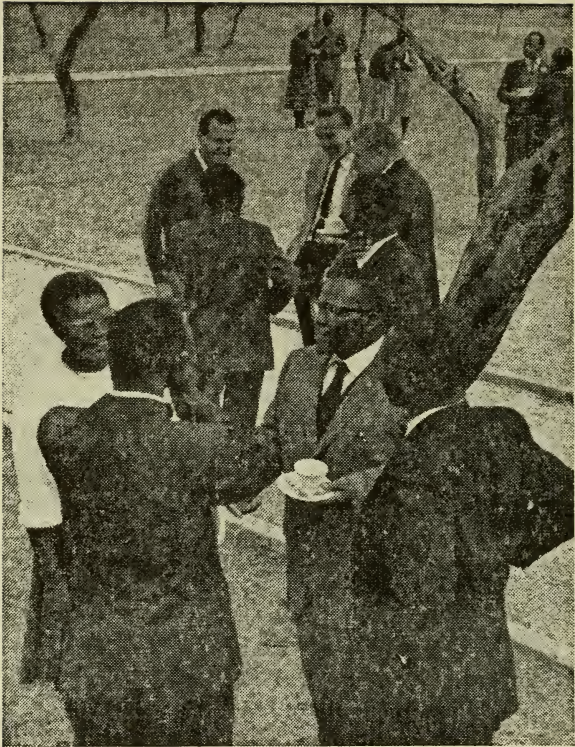
34. BOARD OF THE MINISTRY: Rev. T. Curtis read this report. N. Chiwota moved that our representatives on the Joint Theological Council press for an alternating principalship between Synod and Conference at Epworth and O.U.B.I. Seconded and carried. The report was accepted.

35. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS: Disciplinary questions Section B, 8-24 were taken up and answered. New members of the conference, on trial, and full connection, were introduced to the conference: M. Kalso, L. Nyanungo, J. Kaemmer, and C. Hanson. The question of the ministerial status of J. Muziti was referred back to the Board of the Ministry. Other answers given were approved.

36. REORGANIZATION COMMITTEE: Rev. L. Blomquist presented a plan for conference reorganization. NOONDAY DEVOTIONS: Rev. K. Enright, using the life of John the Baptist as illustration (John 1: 1-9, 15), called us to bear a witness. We must live the message of a changed life. It must include humility, a strong prayer life, courage, and sacrifice.

SEVENTH BUSINESS SESSION—2:00 P.M.

37. EDUCATIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE: S. Kundi-shora presented the report of the special educational study committee.



On motion of M. Johnson, the report was accepted in principle. On motion of L. Eisenberg the report was referred to a committee of ten to be appointed by the Bishop, five of whom shall be members of the original committee, to bring in a perfected report.

38. **SCHOOLS:** Rev. J. Bisby read the report. On motion of Rev. J. Chitombo, item 8 concerning the no-smoking clause of the teaching contract was deleted from the report. The report as amended was then adopted.

39. **SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL STUDY:** Bishop Dodge named the following persons to revise the educational study committee report at conference: S. Kundishora (chm); M. Murphree, O. A.

Stine, C. Taylor, J. Jijita, N. Chiwota, L. Chikukwa, K. Chikwinya, J. Kukurazhizha, M. Mukambachaza.

40. PENSION FINANCIAL REPORT: Mr. I. Musamba read the report which was accepted as read.

41. CONFERENCE TREASURER: I. Musamba's report as conference treasurer was approved as read.

42. CONFERENCE REORGANIZATION, cont.: Rev. K. Eriksson presented the following motion:

"In view of the fact that General Conference has just finished, and Central Conference will be held in August this year, we believe it is unwise to consider a major revamp of our church organization and structure at this conference. We therefore make the following proposal at this time:

1. "That we elect a committee of co-ordination as outlined by the General Conference of this year and make this committee identical with our conference finance committee, thus joining all financial resources and the budgeting of work in one group. This committee should be called the Board of Finance and Co-ordination and be responsible to Annual Conference as well as to the Board of Missions.

2. "That a committee with strong African representation be appointed by Bishop Dodge to work out in detail the powers and duties of *this* board and also the groupings and combinations of other boards and committees at present uniting meeting under Conference or as committee of Co-ordination sub-committees. This commission should work out their report in the light of General and Central Conference legislation and bring back a report to the next annual conference.

3. "We recommend the committee on reorganization to present a recommendation on the membership and duties of this new board consistent with General Conference legislation."

The motion was seconded and carried.

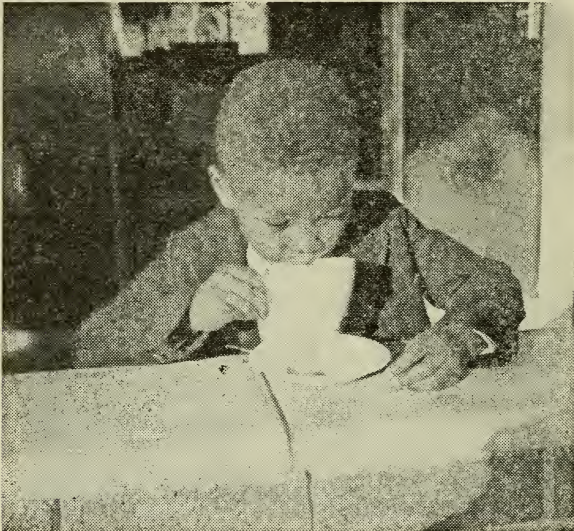
43. FINANCE: W. Marima presented the finance committee report. On motion of C. Miller, certain items fulfilled by the committee on co-ordination in January concerning backpack of ministers were deleted.

On motion of Rev. H. Griffin, the matter of money for travel to the Southern Rhodesia Christian Confer-

ence was referred to the Conference Board of Finance and Coordination. Item 7: On motion of Rev. L. Blomquist, the date to begin a circuit system of finance was changed from June 1 to July 1, 1964.

The report was then adopted as amended.

44. **NOMINATIONS:** Rev. D. Mudzengerere presented the list of proposed committees for the 1964-1968 quadrennium.



This little Molife was not to be left out. He got his tea like everybody else!

On motion of H. Griffin it was agreed that persons other than members of conference may serve on committees.

FRIDAY, 15 MAY, 1964

MORNING DEVOTIONS: Bishop Dodge spoke on Philippians 4: 1-9.

It is our daily thoughts and actions which mold our character. Let us think on those things which are true, honorable, just, pure, lovely and gracious. These are found when we keep our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

EIGHTH BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.

45. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Rev. N. Thomas presented the report and introduced the district Christian education workers. It was accepted as read.

46. M.Y.F.: Lazarus Jaji, the Conference MYF president, presented the M.Y.F. report.

Item 5 was referred to the Worship and Music Committee. On motion of W. Marima, the item reaffirming article II of the M.Y.F. constitution permitting probationers and full members to be received as MYF members without further Quarterly Conference approval was deleted. The amended report was then accepted.

47. ELECTION: Members and alternates of the Board of Finance and Coordination were elected. (Listed on page 6, *Journal*).

The officers of the Conference for the quadrennium were elected. (See page 5, *Journal*).

48. CHIEF MANGWENDE: Bishop Dodge welcomed Chief Mangwende, who greeted the Conference.

49. WORSHIP AND MUSIC: Rev. J. Kaemmer presented the report. On motion of D. Maringamise it was suggested that choruses be added to the hymnal. The report was accepted.

50. INTRODUCTIONS: Bishop Dodge welcomed Rev. and Mrs. Emmet Johnson, and Job Tsigia to the conference.

NOONDAY DEVOTIONS: Rev. K. Enright spoke about our need to face our Bethany, interpreting Luke 24: 45-54. "Face honestly the question—am I enough or does God have more for me."

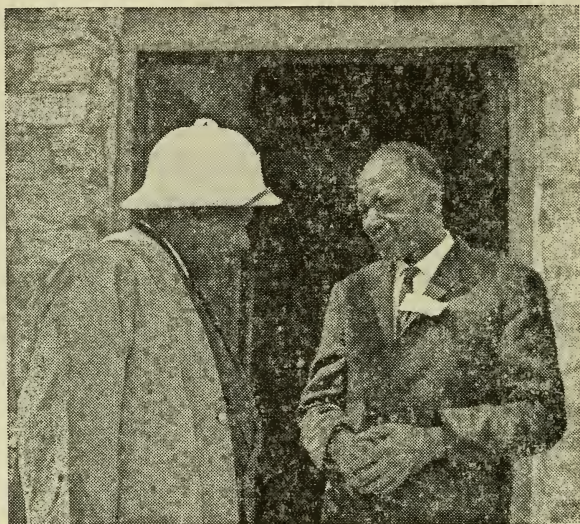
NINTH BUSINESS SESSION—2:00 P.M.

51. FINANCE AND COORDINATION: It was approved that the district superintendents and the administrative assistants be ex-officio members of the Board of Finance and Coordination.

52. COMMITTEE TO STUDY CONFERENCE REORGANIZATION: Bishop Dodge appointed the following persons to this special committee: J. Chidzikwe, C. M. Murphree, I. Musamba, Buxton Chikoore, N. Gandan-

zara, P. Nyamukapa, A. Muzorewa, Ezekiel Matongo, K. Eriksson, N. Thomas.

53. CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS: Rev. R. Hughes presented the report. Item III C. On motion of M. Murphree the following sentence was deleted concern-



Rev. J. Kawadza greets Chief Mangwende

ing political frustration of the African people: "This we submit is the root of the troubles in this country and not international communism as claimed by the government." The report was accepted Mr. Zaranyika and Mr. Hakata reported on an incident of beatings by police at Mutize.

54. METHODIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Rev. E. L. Sells presented the report. On motion of T. Curtis, the conference expressed appreciation to Rev. Sells for his years of faithful work in preserving the historical records of conference, and hope that Rev. and Mrs. Sells might remain in Rhodesia for several additional months to work on the historical materials.

55. STUDENT LOAN: The report was read by S. Kundishora and adopted as read.

56. INTRODUCTION: Bishop Dodge welcomed Rev. Joshua Chidziwa, elder pastor in charge of the Seventh Day Adventist Church, Mrewa District.

57. AGRICULTURE: The report was read by Rev. D. Mudzengerere. Item 2 was referred to the special committee to study conference reorganization. The report was adopted.

58. AUDIO-VISUAL: The report was read by Rev. E. Jijita. Items 7 and 8; on motion of H. Griffin these items were added. The report was then adopted.

59. PUBLICATIONS: Rev. L. Eisenberg read the report. Mrs. Dodge reported on the "Africa Christian Advocate." The report was adopted as read.

60. PENSIONS AND CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS: Rev. P. Gurupira read the report. On motion of T. Curtis, the report was referred back to the Board of Pensions and Conference Claimants for determining the years of service and the amounts to be paid to newly retired ministers and widows in consultation with the conference treasurer, with power to make these pension payments.

On motion of O. Stine the Board of Pensions was asked to study the entire pension scheme and authorize them to initiate a plan for increasing the pension endowment and the yearly payments for ministers now retired.

SATURDAY, 16 MAY, 1964

MORNING DEVOTIONS: Bishop Dodge, interpreted Philippians 4:10-23. We should be content to serve wherever God places us, because all persons have a basic need to know God.

TENTH BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.

61. ASSISTANT STATISTICIAN: Rev. Nathaniel Chiwota was elected as assistant statistician.

62. DAILY PROCEEDINGS: On motion of Rev. R. Noah the daily proceedings to date as duplicated were approved in content with typographical corrections to be added by the secretarial staff.



Rev. Josiah Chimbadzwa, who retired last year, explains to Seavy Carroll his dream for a large stone cross on the top of Chiremba Mountain (Hartzell).

63. MEDICAL ACTIVITIES. Miss E. Ashby read the report. Item 1: The request that a medical person be represented on the cabinet was referred to the Committee to Study Conference Reorganization.

On motion of O. Stine, the Committee of Medical Activities was requested to initiate a conference-wide study of medical needs, and to propose a long-range program including required funds and personnel. Item 7. For "this project will have the support" substitute "This project may make a request for support." The request for funds for a St. Swithins clinic nurse was referred to the conference Rukwadzano executive for reconsideration.

Item 14. On motion of L. Blomquist the following proposal was adopted: That we accept in principle the idea of taking over the care of the leper colony at Mtoko, and that we do this work on trial for a year,



while close investigations are being made as to conditions of treatment, government grants, possible expenditure from our church, etc. The report as amended was then accepted.

64. NOMINATIONS: H. Griffin presented the report. On motion of J. Chitombo, the report was accepted in principle, and the committee requested

to consider changes requested from the floor and by individuals in their supplementary report.

On motion of E. Sells, the following resolution was adopted: "That the Bishop be authorized to name and appoint the voting members and the members of the committees of the Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference, also that he appoint two delegates to the first meeting of the Christian Council of Southern Rhodesia to be held in Gwelo in July, 1964."

65. MEMORIALS: On motion of K. Eriksson, the following memorial to Central Conference was adopted. "As conditions in the five Annual Conferences differ considerably with regard to political status, governmental policies on education, medical work, etc., we ask that each Annual Conference be given the expressed right to interpret and implement the sections that deal with organization and structure in the Africa Central Conference *Discipline* as the local situation may deem necessary.

NOONDAY DEVOTIONS: Rev. K. Enright read Acts 5: 12-20. We need "in the shadow of the mission" evangelism. Through God you and I have the wonderful privilege of changing men and women. But first we must be honest with ourselves, and by the grace of God we can all change ourselves, and through our witness change those about us.

ELEVENTH BUSINESS SESSION—1:30 p.m.

66. AUDIT: S. Kowo read the report. On motion of J. Chidzikwe, a special committee to investigate concerning the Chikwizo books and report back as soon as possible, was established: Rev. J. Kawadza (chm), 1963-64 members of Ngariende, 1963-64 audit com-

mittee, Mtoko-Nyadiri District Superintendent, and the missionary at Chikwizo.

On motion of O. Stine, the secretary of the audit committee was ordered to notify all organizations which should present books for audit one month before the annual audit when committees meet.

On motion of M. Murphree the books of the executive committees at Arnoldine and Nyakatsapa were added to the list of books audited by the conference audit committee.

On motion of K. Eriksson, the Board of Finance and Coordination was requested to plan for payment of the cost of a commercial audit of the conference treasurer's books.

Rev. J. Bisby reported that the school committee assigned responsibility for the audit of school committee books to the school managers, since the conference audit committee has been unable to carry out the responsibility.

On motion of P. Nyamukapa, the nominations committee was asked to nominate audit committees for each school district, to audit school committee books of school fees only within each school district. The auditing of local building fund books remains the responsibility of the school managers.

It is the responsibility of the district superintendent and the district to see that circuit church treasurers' books are audited.

The report was then adopted.

67. LAY ACTIVITIES: The report was read by G. Gonah and adopted. Item 7. On motion of N. Thomas, the following substitute to Item 2 which would give room to Methodist children only in secondary schools was approved: "We reaffirm Item 12 of the 1963 Schools committee report. In selecting students we feel first priority should be given to students who are the product of our Methodist schools, and second priority be given to Methodist students who come from outside." Non-Methodist children who have not graduated from our Methodist schools shall be accepted only if their own denomination has no secondary school. The Lay Activities report as amended was then approved.

68. NGARIENDE: Rev. K. Choto read the Ngariende financial report which was approved as read.

69. EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION: On motion of D. Nyamurowa, the Conference instructed its Central Conference delegation to vote for the reelection of Bishop Ralph Dodge as bishop responsible for Rhodesia.

70. REPORT ON GENERAL CONFERENCE: J. Chidzikwe and S. Tsopotsa reported on the General Conference which they attended as delegates.

71. INTRODUCTION: Bishop Dodge introduced Rev. Elias Makombe of the South-East Africa Conference working in Southern Rhodesia.

TWELFTH BUSINESS SESSION—7:00 P.M.

72. NOMINATIONS: H. Griffin presented the corrected report. On motion of N. Thomas, the responsibility for temperance education was transferred from the Christian Education to the Christian Social Concerns Committee. After additions and corrections the report was adopted.

73. FRATERNAL DELEGATE TO THE CENTRAL CONGO CONFERENCE: J. Kawadza was elected, on nomination of H. Griffin, as fraternal delegate to the 50th anniversary Conference of the Central Congo Conference.

74. NON-DELEGATED CONFERENCE: On motion of L. Eisenberg, it was voted that once each quadrennium we have a non-delegated conference.

75. PRIVILEGES: Mrs. Anna Mvere of the Honde Valley church presented their need for help in building a church building. K. Mhandu appealed for assistance in building a road for the people of Nyamukwarara to our Methodist church. A collection was taken to help in these requests.

76. MARANGE AND MUTAMBARA SECONDARY SCHOOLS: The following motion by S. Kowo was seconded and carried: "We recommend that a rural secondary school be opened in Marange Reserve as soon as the Ministry of African Education gives per-

mission to do so, and that plans to open a secondary school at Mutambara Centre get into operation for January, 1965, if possible."

77. SUNDAY SESSION: On motion of H. Griffin, a Sunday afternoon session beginning at 4:00 p.m. was approved.

SUNDAY, 17 MAY, 1964

6:00 A.M. Rumuko. Mrs. D. Mudzengerere led the prayer service.

8:30 A.M. ORDINATION SERVICE: Bishop Dodge received the following persons into conference membership: *On Trial*: L. Nyanungo. *In Full Connection*: Milton L. Kalso, Elliott Jijita.

Bishop Dodge ordained the following persons:

Deacons: Kenneth Mhandu, Morgan Muchanyerei, and Josiah Makande as local deacons; Elliott Jijita as travelling deacon.

Elders: John Kaemmer, Nathaniel Chiwota, and Milton Kalso.

The following persons were presented to the Conference, with words of appreciation expressed by Bishop Dodge. M. Murphree expressed on behalf of the Conference appreciation to Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Sells for their years of faithful service.

Retiring Ministers: Silas Kasambira, Johnson Maramba, Moses Muparutsa, John Nduna.

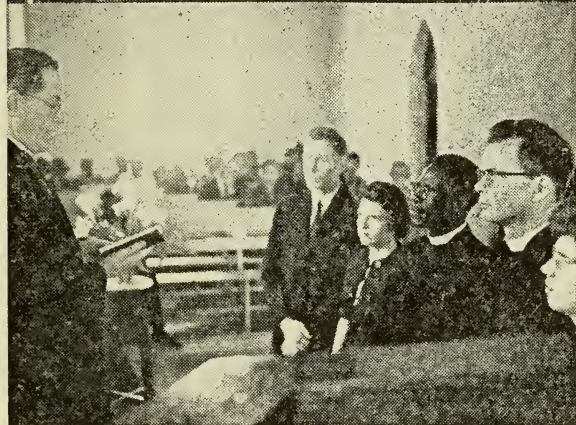
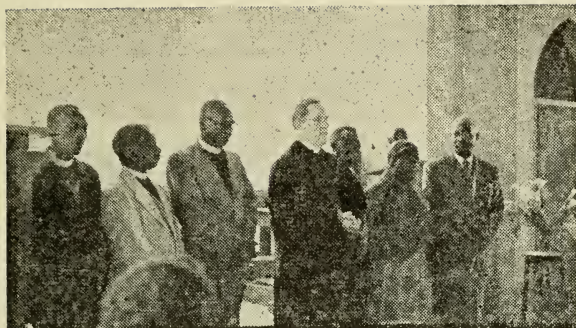
Retiring Evangelist: Philemon Dube.

Retiring Missionaries: Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Sells.

Bishop Dodge welcomed the following returned or new workers:

Returned from study overseas: Abel Muzorewa, Samuel Muzulu, Alfred Katsande, Nason Madzinga, Elijah Chimbwanda, Matthew Mataranyika, P. Molife and Dr. Elisha Mutasa.

New Missionaries: Mr. and Mrs. William Plumb, Rev. and Mrs. Milton Kalso, Rev. and Mrs. John Kaemmer, Rev. and Mrs. Coriless Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. John Shryock, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brancel.

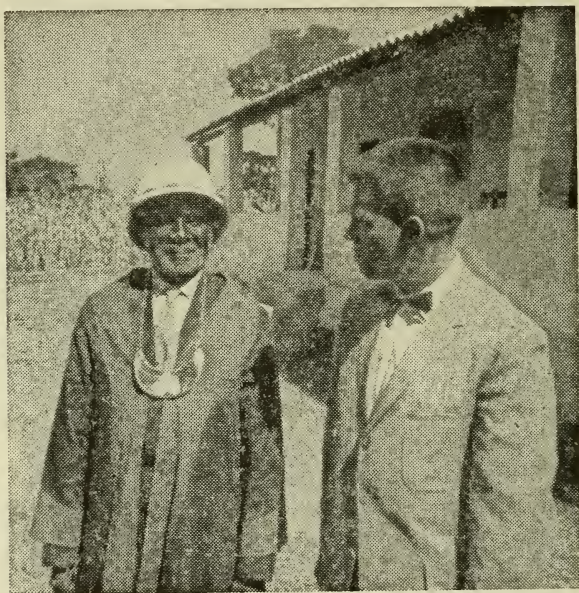


Bishop Dodge stands with those retiring at Conference, then received three ministers as elders.

Returned from furlough: Miss Marcia Ball, Rev. and Mrs. Hunter Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. John Schevenius, and Mrs. Kare Eriksson.

Bishop Dodge expressed appreciation for the service of the following missionaries going on furlough during the coming year: Miss Marguerite Deyo, Miss Joanne Martiny, Miss Joanne Short, Miss Joanne Temperly, Miss Edith Parks, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Perry, Rev. and Mrs. Louis Hillendahl, Rev. and Mrs. Alexander Alvord, Mr. and Mrs. Charles LeMasters, Rev. and Mrs. Charles Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Seavy Carroll, Rev. and

Mrs. Edward Heyer, Rev. and Mrs. Lennart Blomquist, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kauffman, Mr. and Mrs. Sverre Paulsen; also Mr. Robert Stuart, who has served as secretary to Bishop Dodge for two years.



Chief Marange and Rob Stuart visit before Mr. Stuart departed for his California home.

THIRTEENTH BUSINESS SESSION—4:00 P.M.

78. APPRECIATION: On motion of M. Murphree, the secretaries were requested to send the following letters of appreciation: to the Southern Congo Conference—greetings and appreciation for the service of Rev. K. Enright through his effective preaching during our conference. To Rev. H. I. James our greetings.

79. NOMINATIONS: On motion of H. Griffin, the conference treasurer was elected a member ex-officio of the Board of Finance and Coordination.

80. NGARIENDE: On motion of M. Murphree, two women members were added to Ngariende, to be chosen by the conference Rukwadzano executive.

81. MTKO NORTH RESOLUTIONS: The following resolutions, brought by S. Chibanda, were referred to the Board of Lay Activities for study:

1. We ask the conference to advise the superintendents, the heads of the schools and school managers to consult the local church when there are misunderstandings between heads and students before any further actions are taken; e.g. the expulsion of Nyamuzuwe students in the secondary school.

2. We ask the conference to allow all those who repent to be baptized as long as they confess their sins to God—even polygamists.

3. We have found that the church seems to be weak; therefore we supplicate the district superintendents to move in all stations to strengthen the church members and to meet their difficulties.

82. GIFTS FOR HONDE AND NYAMUKWARARA: A. Katsande reported that £30.2.8 was contributed.

83. FINANCE, cont.: Item 4. W. Marima presented this item concerning the circuit plan of church finance.

On motion of J. Chitombo, it was approved that we continue the pastoral relations committees in each circuit.

On motion of J. Kaemmer, it was voted that pastoral relations committees also consider the missionaries resident in the circuit. We request the Central Conference to include a paragraph on the pastoral relations committee in the 1964 *Africa Discipline*.

The report was then adopted as amended.

84. MEMORIALS:

1. ON THE MINISTRY: Referred to the Rhodesia delegates to Central Conference with general approval.

2. ON THE RHODESIA MISSION PRESS. Approved.

3. PERMISSION TO CHANGE CONFERENCE NAME.

Approved.

85. CALENDAR: The 1964-65 Conference Calendar was approved as amended.

86. EDUCATIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE: The revised report was approved.

FOURTEENTH BUSINESS SESSION—7:30 P.M.

87. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS: Questions 1-7 and 25-33 were taken up and answered. Invitations for the 1965 Conference were received from Nyakatsapa, Highfields, and Old Umtali, with the Old Umtali invitation accepted.

88. NON-DELEGATED CONFERENCE: On motion of D. Mudzengerere, it was approved that the 1965 Conference be non-delegated, if the Old Umtali executive agrees to provide accommodations.

89. RESOLUTIONS: The report, read by D. Matanga, was approved after additions from the floor.

90. MINUTES: On motion of E. Sells, it was approved that the secretarial staff and committee on daily proceedings approve the minutes, that the Conference is officially closed after the reading of the appointments, and that the *Journal* become the official record of this Conference.

91. MEMOIRS: On motion of H. Griffin, the Conference stood for a minute of silent prayer in honour of former Bishop Springer, followed by prayer by Rev. Sells in his memory, and for Mrs. Springer.

92. APPOINTMENTS: The 1964 Annual Conference closed with the reading of the appointments by Bishop Dodge.

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**MORGAN MUCHANYEREI
KENNETH MHANDU
JOSIAH MAKANDE
ELLIOTT JIJITA**

as DEACONS in accordance with the Discipline and Ritual of The Methodist Church and after election by the Rhodesia Annual Conference.

This further certifies that subsequently at the same place and date, I ordained by the laying on of hands

**JOHN KAEMMER
N. Z. CHIWOTA and
MILTON KALSO**

as ELDERS, in accordance with the Discipline and Ritual of The Methodist Church and after election by the Rhodesia Annual Conference.



Ralph E. Dodge
Presiding Bishop of
The Methodist Church

Part IV
DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

A. Organization and introductory reports:

1. Who are the Officers of the Conference?
Secretary: Rev. A. Muzorewa
Statistician: Rev. J. Bisby
Treasurer: Mr. I. Musamba
2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? Yes,
see Constitution, *Journal*, 1954.
3. Are the officers handling funds bonded? No.
4. What is the report of the programme committee
as to the hours of the session, the bar of the
Conference, and the programme? (See official
Conference Programme and see Daily Proceed-
ings for 12 May, 1964.)
5. Who are the members of Boards and Committees?
(See part II, list of Boards and Committees.)
6. Who is elected Conference Lay Leader? Mr.
I. Musamba.
7. What are the reports of the district superintend-
ents as to the status of the work within their dis-
tricts and suggestions for the work of the future?
(See District Superintendents' Report).

B. Pertaining to ministerial relations:

8. Having made enquiries into the life and character
of the ministerial members of the Conference,
does the Board on the Ministry recommend that
they be continued in the effective ministry?
Answer: Yes.
9. Who are the approved Supply Pastors?
J. Makuto I. Mawokomatanda J. Masenda N. Muchanyerei
N. Muskwe A. Matambanadzo S. Murahwa E. Mutanga
P. Kajese D. Chipaumire N. Dziwa K. Mhandu
J. Makande L. Kasiamhuru E. Chapata E. Chikotsi
10. What approved Supply Pastors now under full
appointment are taking:
 - a). Conference course of study? J. Masenda, K.
Mhandu, J. Makuto, J. Makande, M. Muchanyerei.
 - b). Approved Supply Pastors' Course? N. Muskwe,
D. Chipaumire.
11. Who are recommended to take the course for re-
ception on trial?

a). Present Epworth students: S. Musoni, W. Buwu, S. Nyakuengama, G. M'Kasa, M. Chikanya, F. Kadenge, Josiah Kurewa, M. Handreke, L. Zhungu, A. Kanonuhwa, S. Mukangara, W. Makunike, S. Nduna, K. Shamu, K. Mbofana.

b). Conference course of study: J. Makande, K. Mhandu, S. Kundishora, J. Masenda, J. Makuto, M. Muchanyerei, E. Mutanga.

12. Who are received on trial?

a). By Transfer: M. Kalso from the Pacific North-West Conference.

b). By graduation from Epworth: L. Nyanungo.

13. Who remain on trial? Rudolph Matongo, Johnstone Gurure, Roger Harmon, J. Muziti.

14. Who on trial have been discontinued? None.

15. Who are admitted to full connection?

a). Milton L. Kalso, E. Jijita.

b). Recommended for full connection overseas: J. Munjoma, G. Kapenzi, J. Kurewa.

c). Readmission from voluntary location in 1962: J. Nduna.

16. What full members are in studies? None.

17. What full members have completed studies of the fourth year? None.

18. Who have been elected and ordained deacons?

a). Local deacons? K. Mhandu, M. Muchanyerei, J. Makande.

b). Travelling deacons? E. Jijita. Recommended for courtesy ordination: G. Kapenzi, J. Munjoma.

19. Who have been elected and ordained elder?

a). Local elder? None.

b). Travelling elder? John Kaemmer, Nathaniel Chiwota, Milton Kalso, John Kurewa recommended for courtesy ordination overseas.

20. Who have had their conference membership terminated?

a). Voluntary location: D. Mushapaidze.

21. What ministerial members have died during the year? None.

22. What ministers have retired?

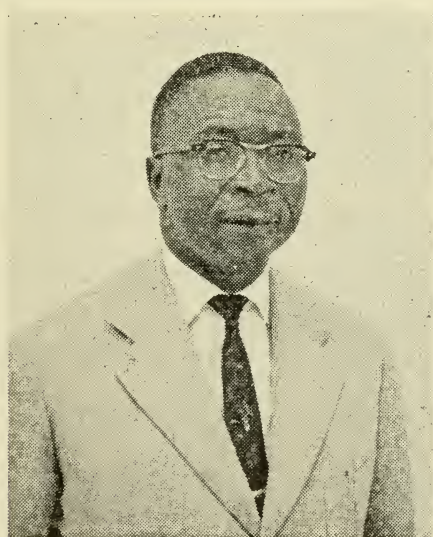
a). This year? M. M'parutsa, J. Maramba, S. Kasambira, J. Nduna.

- b). Previously? Philip Chieza, Henry I. James. Benjamin Katsidzira, Marshall Murphree, Zakariah Mukombiwa, Reginald Ngonyama, T. A. O'Farrell, George A. Roberts, Samuel Chieza, Enoch Munjoma, T. Marange, H. Katsidzira, J. Rugayo, J. Chimbadzwa.
23. Who are left without appointment to attend school? J. Nemaungwe, J. Kurewa, G. Kapenzi, J. Munjoma.
24. What other personal notations should be made?
- a). Received from other conferences? John Kaemmer, S. E. Africa Conference; Coriless Hanson, Angola Conference.
- b). Transferred out? O. Fink—to Virginia Confer.
- c). Who have been granted supernumerary relationship? E. Jangano.
- d). Sabbatical leave? S. Kowo (for 7 months as of July 1, 1964).
- e). Who have been given special appointments? Per Hassing, Boston University School of Theology; K. Harper, University of Kentucky; R. Goodloe, Hendrix College, Arkansas.
- f). Corrections for the record: The name of S. Muzulu was erroneously omitted from the list of effective ministers in the 1963 *Journal*. The name of John Nduna should not have appeared in the 1961 *Journal* as an approved supply pastor, but as an effective minister.

C. General business:

25. What are the reports of boards, committees, and secretaries of the conference? See Part VI, Board and Committee Reports.
26. What is the report of the Conference Statistician? See Part X at end of *Journal*.
27. What is the report of the conference treasurer? See Part VI, Reports.
28. What is the report of the audit committee? See Part VI, Reports.
29. What is the schedule for the minimum support for pastors? See salary scale as adopted by the 1961 conference. (1961 *JOURNAL*, p. 57 and p. 95, 1962 *JOURNAL*)

30. What apportionment of conference funds are recommended by the finance committee?
- a) For conference claimants? Circuit, £5 per annum. Pastor, £2-10-0 per annum.
 - b) For World Service? Free will offering.
 - c) For Episcopal Fund? 2% of Pastor's cash salary.
 - d) For general administration? Assessed by membership.
 - e) Central Conference fund? Assessed by membership.
 - f) For district superintendents' support? See report of finance committee, Part VI.
31. What are the objectives of the conference for the coming year? See various reports adopted by Conference, especially the District Superintendents' Report.
32. Where shall the next session of the conference be held? Old Umtali Methodist Centre.
33. Is there any other business? No.
34. What are the appointments for the coming year? See list of appointments, Part V.



Rev. Kenneth Choto
Retiring Conference Secretary

Part V
1964-1965 APPOINTMENTS

A. MREWA DISTRICT

SUPERINTENDENT: D. Chikosi
MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Mrewa: J. Mukurazhizha
MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Headlands, Chikore-Tanda:
W. Gombedza

Women's Work: Mrs. Chikosi
Headlands Circuit: (J. Makande)
Chikore-Tanda Circuit: To Be supplied
SALISBURY

Harare Circuit: K. Choto
Associate Pastor: K. Eriksson
Highfields Circuit: To Be Supplied
Associate Pastor: R. Hughes
Christian Education worker: (J. Sakutombo)
Mrewa North Circuit: S. Muzulu
Mrewa South Circuit: J. Gurure
Mrewa East Circuit: (J. Masenda)
Mrewa West Circuit: D. Chinogurei
Bulaway Circuit: S. Munjoma
District Christian Education worker: (E. Chapata)

MREWA CENTRE

Chairman: J. Schevenius
Howard Memorial Church: D. Makuto
Principal: J. Schevenius
Girls Boarding Matron and Chaplain: Mrs. L. Zimonte
Boys Boarding Master: R. Chirimumimba
Central Primary School—Headmaster: J. Kaisa
Secondary School—Headmistress: Miss E. Parks
Staff: R. Harmon, S. Nyamugama, C. Taylor,
Miss J. Temperly, Miss F. Letts, L. Jaji.

B. MTASA-MAKONI DISTRICT

SUPERINTENDENT: T. Curtis
MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Mtasa-Gandanzara: D. Bvunzawabaya
MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Chiduku: W. Gombedza
Women's Work: Mrs. T. Curtis
Nyakatsapa Circuit: E. Matongo
Nyamukwarara Circuit (until Dec. 31) (K. Mhandu)
Iyanga South Circuit: J. Muziti
Inyanga North Circuit: (S. Murahwa)
INYANGA EVANGELISM and ST. SWITHINS
DEVELOPMENT: O. Stine
Mundenda: (until Dec. 31) M. Johnson
Penhalonga-Odzi Circuit: (M. Muchanyirei)
Makoni Circuit: To Be Supplied
Gandanzara Circuit: P. Machiri
Chizawana Circuit: To Be Supplied
Chiduku North Circuit: W. Mandisodza
Chiduku South Circuit: E. Kuwana

Wesley (Rusape) Circuit: (E. Johnson)

Rusape Circuit: J. Jijita

Youth and Women's Work: To Be Supplied

District Stewardship and Family Life: E. Saburi, W. Kinyon

Christian Education Worker: To Be Supplied

OLD UMTALI CENTRE

Chairman: A. Muzorewa

Ehnes Memorial Church: A. Muzorewa

Associate Pastor: To Be Supplied

Bookkeeper: Esther Russell

Assistant Bookkeeper: Mrs. W. Kinyon

Press Manager: E. Matzigkeit

Maintenance & Service Manager: P. Maenzanise

Medical Unit:

Matron: Mrs. S. Tsopotsa

Nursing Sister: Miss E. Morosani

Doctor: Dr. (Mrs.) M. Johnson

Hartzell Training School:

Principal: B. Higgs

Secretary: Mrs. W. Kinyon

Boys Boarding: W. Marima

Fairfield Girls' Dept.: Mr. and Mrs. D. Maenzanise

Teacher Training Department

Headmistress: Miss V. Otto

Staff: Mrs. W. Gazeley, M. Johnson, Mrs. R. Kauffman

Mr. S. Tsopotsa

Secondary School

Headmaster: Z. Gwanzura

Staff: Mrs. Z. Gwanzura, R. O'Brien, C. Kenney, Miss M.

Comstock, Miss A. Porteous, Miss L. Dodge,

N. M. Mutambara

Central Primary School—Headmaster: Stanley Muranda

Practice School—Headmaster: W. Tauro

C. MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT

SUPERINTENDENT: L. Blomquist

MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Mtoko: S. Kundishora

MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Nyadiri: R. Kambarami

MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Maramba: T. Matanga

Women's Work: Mrs. L. Blomquist

Christian Education Worker, Mtoko: (L. Kasiyamhuru)

Christian Education Worker, Nyadiri: (E. Mutanga)

AREA C. P. H. Kajese

Chikwizo Circuit: (until Dec. 31) J. Makuto

Mtoko East Circuit: N. Madzinga

Mtoko North Circuit: E. Chimbwanda

Mtoko South Circuit: A. Kajese

Mtoko West Circuit: N. Chigubu

M'kota Circuit: (N. Muskwe)

Maramba-Pfungwe Circuit (until Dec. 31) (E. Mutanga)

Nyadiri Circuit: P. Gurupira

Uzumba Circuit: D. Nyamurowa

NYAMUZUWE METHODIST SECONDARY SCHOOL

Nyamuzuwe Church: E. Chimbwanda

Associate Pastor: To Be Supplied
Principal and Headmaster: W. Plumb
Staff: Mr. and Mrs. L. Dewey, Miss J. Martiny, S. Paulsen

NYADIRI CENTRE

Chairman: J. Chidzikwe
O'Farrell Memorial Church: J. Chidzikwe
Associate Pastor and Hospital Chaplain:
(until Dec. 31) M. M'parutsa, (after Dec. 31) (J. Makuto)
Associate Pastor and Christian Education: J. Kaemmer
Associate Pastor and Student Chaplain: R. Noah
Principal: R. Noah
Girls Boarding: Mrs. A. Machiri
Boys Boarding: E. Nyambanaro
Teacher Training School
Headmaster: P. Molife
Staff: C. Hanson, P. Thomas, Miss G. Otto, Miss Spencer,
J. Kaemmer
Central Primary School, Headmaster: B. Ruwodo
Lower Primary School, Headmaster: C. Nyambure
Experiment in Christian Social Living:
S. Himes, Mrs. Nyambawaro
Methodist Hospital, Nyadiri
Doctors—Medical Superintendent: M. Piburn, M.D.
Asst. Medical Superintendent: E. Mutasa, M.D.,
Alan Whanger, M.D., Donald Rudy, M.D.,
Hugh Deale, DDS, Dentist
Administrator and Pharmacist: R. Watson
Bookkeeper: T. Nube
Sisters—Hospital and Medical Extension: Mrs. Grace
Kapenzi (Matron Sister), Ruth Lind, Jenney Larson
Sisters—Nursing Orderly Training School: Elma Ashby,
Mrs. P. Molife, Patricia Molife, Mrs. Hugh Deale
(Part time), J. Short
Laboratory: D. Gwenzi
X-Ray: I. Tambara
Maintenance: A. Tsiga
O.P.D.: T. Kuture

D. UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT

SUPERINTENDENT: P. Nyamukapa
MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Maranke: F. Brancel
MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Mutambara-Zimunya: R. Chimonyo
MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Zimunya North: To Be Supplied
Women's Work: Mrs. P. Nyamukapa
Christian Education Worker: (N. Dziwa)
Marange North Circuit: J. Machiri
Marange South Circuit: L. Nyanungo
Marange Central Circuit: A. Katsande
Mutambara East Circuit: N. Chiwota
Mutambara West Circuit: R. Matongo
Nyanyadzi Circuit: D. Mudzengerere
Zimunya South Circuit: (until Dec. 31) J. Maramba
Zimunya North Circuit: S. Zuze
Miller Memorial Church Circuit: N. Dikanifuwa

Assistant Pastor: (I. Mawokomatanda)
Evangelist: To Be Supplied
Methodist Christian Centre
Director: M. Ball
Staff: S. Mabambe, Mrs. F. Brancel, G. Mberi, G. Dhliwayo,
R. Mutungamiri
Deaconess: Mrs. E. Samudzimu
African Girls Hostel: M. Taylor, M. Malianga
District Evangelism & Church Extension: L. Chieza, E. Chikodzi

MUTAMBARA CENTRE

Chairman: J. Chitombo
Mutambara Church: J. Chitombo
Principal of Schools: Mrs. T. Roberts
Boys Boarding: Mrs. T. Roberts, K. Sitole
Girls Department: Mr. and Mrs. E. Mukonde, Mrs. T. Roberts
Teacher Training School—Headmaster: J. Bisby
Staff: M. Kalso, (after Sept. 1) E. Musumi
Sunnyside Methodist Home-craft School: B. Post
Central Primary School, Headmaster: P. Madiwa
Practice School, Headmaster: K. Chikwinya
Mutambara Medical and Extension
Medical Superintendent: G. Close, M.D.
Staff Nurse: M. Johansson
Farm: T. Roberts

E. CONFERENCE EXTENSION PROGRAMMES

Executive Secretary of Ngariende: M. Murphree
Conference Evangelist: (until Dec. 31) D. Chipaumire
Conference Director of Christian Education: N. Thomas
Conference Audio-Visual: (until retirement) E. L. Sells
M.R.T.C.: J. Chitombo, Jr.
Women's Bible School: To Be Supplied
Shona Language School: Mr. and Mrs. M. Mataranyika
Conference Board of Communications—Director: L. Eisenberg
Staff: E. Chikwanha, (after Sept. 1) E. Makunike
Publicity and Promotion: L. Eisenberg
Music Research: Mr. and Mrs. R. Kauffman
Conference Secretary of Temperance: M. Ball
Social Evangelism: R. Hughes

F. SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS ON THE FIELD

Administrative Assistant to the Bishop: J. Kawadza
Executive Secretary of Board of Education: I. Musamba
Secretary to Area Office: W. Humbane
Conference Treasurer: I. Musamba
Conference Archivist: (until retirement) E. L. Sells
Correspondents:
African Christian Advocate: M. Ball
Methodist Woman: Mrs. B. Higgs
World Outlook: S. Carroll
M.Y.F. Councelors: N. Thomas, S. Himes, D. Samudzimu
R.R.W. Missionary Advisors: Mrs. H. Griffin, Mrs. M. Murphree
Field Treasurer: J. Shryock
Special Language Work: I. Scovill

Kitwe Writing Centre: Mr. and Mrs. B. Simonsson
Methodist Hostel, Salisbury: Mr. and Mrs. W. Finister
Advisory Member to M.A.E.: I. Musamba
Land Agent: W. Kinyon
Shona Language Study: Rev. and Mrs. H. Anfinen, Rev. and
Mrs. A. Leiknes, Mr. and Mrs. E. Landin, Mr. and Mrs. G.
Fleshman, Miss M. Nelvig

ECUMENICAL APPOINTMENTS

Epworth Theological College: Rev. and Mrs. K. Eriksson
Rev. and Mrs. M. Chiza
Old Umtali Biblical Institute: Rev. and Mrs. H. Griffin,
Rev. and Mrs. E. Jijita
S. Rhodesia Christian Conference: E.L. Sells

Scholars Studying Abroad

S. Borerwe, D. Chikosi, D. Chitsenga, R. Choto, Miss M. Chitombo, J. Dhliwayo, K. Chislain, B. Mafarachizi, J. Mahlanza, Q. Malianga, R. Masvikeni, N. Mbawa, S. Mtambanengwe, L. Mupita, J. Murapa, C. Mushangazhike, R. Mutunhu, B. Muzorewa, E. Nyamapfene, Miss R. Nyika, O. Musuka, J. Mutambara, Miss K. Sibaya, Miss J. Chiza.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Chimbanguza, Mr. and Mrs. T. Chitsiku, Mr. and Mrs. A. Dangarembga, Mr. and Mrs. N. Goto, Mr. and Mrs. B. Jambga, Mr. and Mrs. D. Kasambira, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kodzai, Mr. and Mrs. S. Kuwana, Mr. and Mrs. E. Kawadza, Mr. and Mrs. R. Madziya, Mr. and Mrs. L. Mandizha, Mr. and Mrs. J. Makawa, Mr. and Mrs. B. Mazaiwana.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Mungazi, Mr. and Mrs. J. Muteiwa, Mr. and Mrs. R. Ngonyama, Mr. and Mrs. J. Njagu, Mr. and Mrs. N. Nyamfukudza, Mr. and Mrs. E. Musumhi, Mr. and Mrs. J. Muskwe, Mr. and Mrs. D. Sadza.

Students at Epworth Theological College

Third Year "B" Stream: W. E. Buwu, M. Chikanya, F. Kadenge,
W. Kurewa, C. Mkasa, S. Nyakuengama, L. Zhungu.

Second Year "A" Stream: S. Musoni

Second Year "B" Stream: W. Makunike, S. Shamu, S. Nduna
K. Mbofana

First Year "B" Stream: M. Handreke, S. Mukangara,
A. Kanonuhwa

Old Umtali Biblical Institute

Third Year: (In preparation for doing Junior Deaconess work)
Miss Martha Musyarira, Miss Dorcas Chinofukutwa

Second Year: (graduate mid-Dec., 1964) Mr. Willie Marara,
Mr. John Nderere

First Year: (graduate mid-Dec., 1965) Mr. Sandah Sanganzah,
Mr. Bennett Chidawanyika, Mr. Thomas Mvenge, Mr. Paul
Mafudzah

Other Studies

**Members of the Annual Conference
beyond Conference boundaries**

Southern Methodist University: J. Kurewa

Boston University School of Theology: G. Kapenzi
Scandinavian Union Theological College, Gothenburg, Sweden:
M. Chikanya.

Other Appointments

Boston University School of Theology: P. Hassing

Hendrix College: R. Goodloe

University of Kentucky: K. Harper

Missionaries on Furlough: Rev. and Mrs. H. Anfinson, Rev. and

Mrs. A. Leiknes, Rev. and Mrs. L. Hillendahl, Rev. and

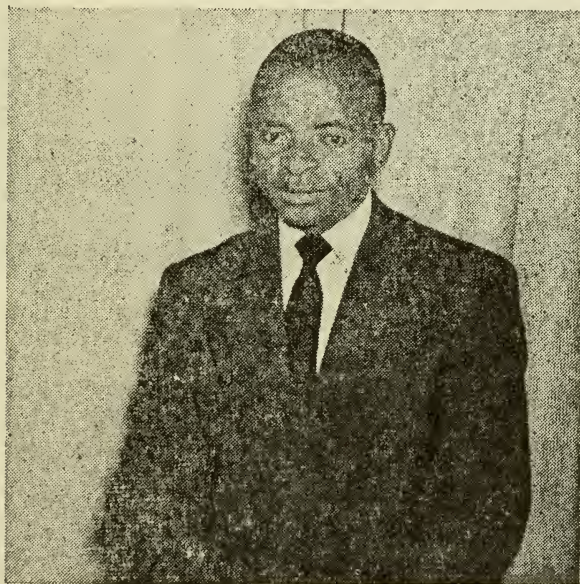
Mrs. E. Heyer, Rev. and Mrs. C. Miller, Rev. and Mrs. A.

Alvord, Mr. and Mrs. J. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. S. Carroll,

Mr. and Mrs. C. LeMasters, Miss M. Deyo.

Leave of Absence: R. Gell, Rev. N. Nemaungwe

Sabbatical Leave: Rev. S. Kowo



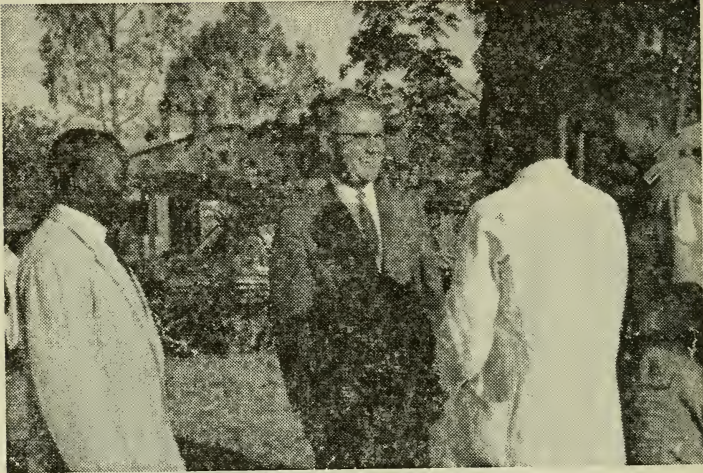
Rev. Abel Muzorewa
New Conference Secretary

Part VI

REPORTS

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORT

(Daily Proceedings 6, 27)



Africa Secretary C. Melvin Blake greets friends
in his October visit.

We are giving you the high-lights of the year. There were many important things of which we cannot just now enumerate all, but we can give you a few of them.

1. *Pastors' School.* Pastors' School was held at Epworth Theological College in October, 1963. There were dynamic speakers who were invited to it. They were Bishop Ralph Alton, Dr. Seamands, and Dr. Alan Walker. Bishop Alton spoke on the subject: "Our Ministry." Both pastors and laymen should say together, "Our Ministry," and not only the ordained ministers. Dr. Seamands and Dr. Walker spoke on the importance of evangelism. They emphasised that everything else must come second to evangelism. The world of evangelism is the biggest business in the world today. The school appreciated being the first one to use Epworth

facilities. Our deep appreciation and gratitude goes to Epworth Theological College, principal and staff of the college and the dean of school, Rev. F. Rea. *Kariba Trip*—The pastors' school experience extended by a fellowship travelling together to see Kariba Dam. This was enjoyed by all.

2. *Consultations*. There were two outstanding consultations held almost in succession. The Missionary Consultation sponsored by Dr. C. M. Blake was held at Epworth College, and with Africans was held in Salisbury at the Bible House. Both these brought very good results in deepening real loving relationships between missionaries and Africans.

The second Consultation for the whole conference was held at Old Umtali Methodist Centre, sponsored by a committee of the Conference. Both consultations were very fruitful. The first one sought the spirit of oneness of the missionaries and Africans. The second one lifted up a new vision and a new understanding of the church from this theme, "A New Church in a New Africa." As a result of these consultations there came a mighty force of unity of both missionaries and Africans obeying God's way of supporting a new church in a new Africa.

Both laymen and missionaries agreed to move to action. Many dedicated their lives to Christ and His church by promising to tithe as God's way of giving to support the church. Let us praise and give thanks to God for giving us His Spirit of love and obedience to His cause.

3. *Committees*. Conference Committees met at Old Umtali Methodist Centre after the Consultation Conference. It was wonderful to have the committees meet together, but the people were quite exhausted. Some members did not attend the committees.

4. *Coordinating Committee and Administrative Board*. They met at different times to guide and support the work of the whole Conference. The pastors and other church workers are very thankful, and happy for the £15,000 and more which was back paid to them, in accordance with the action of the Committee on Coordination. Much gratitude goes to the com-

mittee on Coordination and Bishop R. E. Dodge including the resources of Committee on Coordination.

5. *Continuation of Christian Convention.* The meeting of the four district superintendents and administrative assistant to the Bishop was held at Mutambara Methodist Centre. It agreed with the recommendation of the North Christian Convention of discontinuation of the Christian Convention.

6. *Four-year plan of strategy.* We have just completed the first year which was about the training of the local church. Bookkeeping was introduced by Mrs. W. Kinyon to some churches in some district. Much more still needs to be done. But let us move on to some other district reports:

MREWA



District Superintendent Davidson Chikosi.

“The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that

he would send forth labourers into His harvest," Lk.10:2

Nov. 1, 1963 was the day I first started to work in Mrewa District as a District Superintendent of churches. We thank and praise the Lord that all the good work that has been started long ago in Mrewa district is continuing to grow. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

At Mrewa Centre the church is getting spiritual warmth and has agreed to be completely self-supporting. Some of its members adopted the tithing way of giving, and some like the pledging system. Few continue the old way of offering quarterly. The coming of Rev. O. Stine and Rev. D. Nyamurowa for religious emphasis helped to start revival which has been going on till this day, here at Mrewa Centre.

Mrewa Secondary School is proud of its new dormitories almost completed and many other improvements in classrooms and surroundings, e.g. laundry and television unit. The upper primary school is not poorly built as the contrast that exists between lower primary and secondary school. Rev. N. Thomas, director of Christian Education came and spent three days with all our mission church leaders. The coming of Dr. Blake last November 1963, and his talks about indigenous church in Southern Rhodesia excited many people who still ask how, why, and when, and the Lord helps us to answer them.

In Harare the work is growing. Several preaching points are being opened and there is hope that we will soon have a parsonage at the church yard in Harare. Highfield church through disturbances is working very hard to bring people together on Sunday and other times. We are looking to a bright future after the completion of the expected church building.

With the backing of the whole district we launched out for some extension work. Rev. J. Masenda is to visit the townships of Kariba, Makuti, Chirundi. Rev. K. Choto is to visit Mangula, Sinoia, Karoi, and Banket, Rev. S. Kowo to visit Gwelo, Gatooma and Selukwe. And Rev. J. Gurure to preach in Marandellas. We are quite aware of the denominational boundaries, but the same need elsewhere. We are also glad to report that the Southern Rhodesia Government has allowed us to

open a church and school at Maponongwe in January, 1965. We have a strong belief that these extensions will not in any way weaken the old established circuits or churches but rather strengthen them.

We have a District Consultation Conference which has made a wonderful impression upon those who attended it, and we hope its spirit will spread far and wide. We are praying and asking the Lord how we can get the parsonage at Chiguri and a shelter at Kariba, the meeting place of our church people. The people are collecting money but slowly, and would be glad to receive help from the Conference. The district schools are running smoothly under the management of Mr. Mukurazhizha but there is still need for more upper primary schools at places like Chamapango and Nyamashato.

The work in Bulawayo is growing very fast. Members are increasing and the people love their Lord and their church. The people are thankful to the Bishop and his cabinet for the appointment of Rev. S. Munjoma to Bulawayo last year. The people are proud of their pastor and are carrying the burden of church



D. S. Lennert Blomquist conducts a meeting in the Mtoko-Nyadiri District.

support by themselves without any assistance. The visit of Rev. J. Kawadza and Rev. D. Chikosi Dec. 21-23, 1963, for a quarterly meeting added to their joy and thankfulness. When Bishop R. E. Dodge visited Bula-wayo in January to tell the people about the expected church building, all praised the Lord.

—D. Chikosi

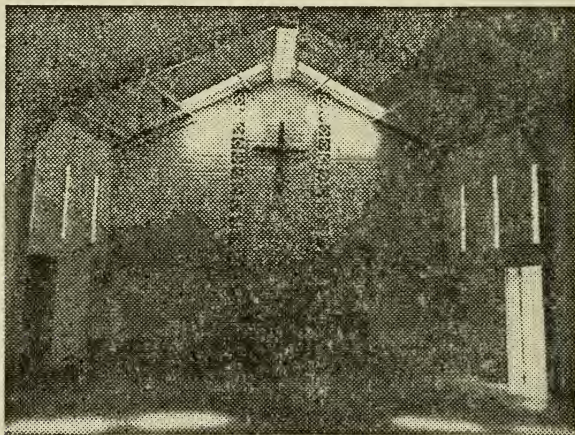
MTOKO-NYADIRI

“In the world but still not of the world.” This old statement has told Christians through the centuries of their peculiar position in the world and how the life of a Christian is dominated by something the world cannot dominate. In this day of troubles and difficulties these words are getting a meaning again. Unrest and bitterness, hate and power struggle is trying to destroy all life and people are worried and disturbed. Everything is uncertain. Where do we go? What is behind the next bend in the road? “In the world but not in the world.”

The workers of the church in Mtoko-Nyadiri District do not seem to worry about this uncertainty. They know where they are going and they are trying to tell everybody else about what they know.

In one community when asked how they had organised themselves in regard to work of schools and church, clinics and community life, the reply was, “All things go together, so do we.” That is the community spirit and clear-cut vision of how to live together. Many things during the past year encourage us. We have seen the secondary school at Nyamuzuwe open up its gates for knowledge to hungry students. We have had the great opportunity to share with the Nyamuzuwe community the dedication of their new church building. The pastor came back from an overseas study year in the U.S.A. He not only found a new church but also a new parsonage. Our people at Katsukunya have now finished their church building, an intergrated part of the community, and we share with them their happiness. Their community programme is one of the best we have seen, and a great inspiration to the rest of the district. Four new church buildings are under construction and we are ready to start five more.

At Nyadiri Hospital we have now got one of our sons, Dr. E. Mutasa. He just returned to his home-land and joined the staff at Nyadiri and we are very happy for this. We have also been able to expand our district clinic work to the big blessing of our people. Our new clinic has been established and two more are soon to be ready to be opened. Altogether we have ten. Our dentist at Nyadiri is kept very busy even if he takes time off to visit other centres from time to time. We could go on expanding the medical work if personnel and money were available and we could find that as one of our effective ways of evangelism.



Nyamuzuwe Church, dedicated by Bishop Ralph Alton last year, is one of the loveliest.

The district schools are developing. We would like to see more upper primaries approved. This year we have three new ones: Bondamakara, Chitekwe and Kafura, plus the two streams we have moved out from Nyamuzuwe to Chimukopa and Mudzonga. Our three school managers are also good church supporters. We also have seen a new circuit born. Mukota has now developed into a circuit and we are so thankful for fruits seen in that area. We have also a full-time evangelist in Area C for the coming year. Thanks to God!

We have faithfully worked with our stewardship

program through our four teams. We would like to express our thanks to those men. Our high regards for their tireless efforts. The progress has been slow but it is coming and we will continue. The financial status is not the best. A poor harvest and political unrest have created situations we had not counted on, but we are not discouraged. Strongly we have felt the determination in our Fourth Quarterly Conferences to tackle the problem. The Lord's Acre programme and intensified tithing teaching are some of the ways we have chosen in solving this important problem. We also have decided on our own to send an evangelist to the people in the area between Nyadiri and Mazoe and we hope that will show the way of a forward looking church. More could be said but we will stop here. Now we only want to look forward.

—L. Blomquist

MUTASA-MAKONI



D. S. Tom Curtis discusses things with Rev. Mandisodza.

This year has witnessed the organization of several new circuits in the district, mainly as a result of some large circuits voting to divide into smaller units. In

every case this has been the people's decision. In the beginning, it may be necessary for a young circuit to use a supply pastor. As support increases, a regular minister can be appointed. This means, however, that a pastor has a reasonable number of churches to shepherd, and is not called upon to do an impossible task. It also helps to put care of church into the hands of the local people, instead of being controlled by the Quarterly Conference made up of many scattered churches.

With the year's emphasis on the local church, we conducted a number of training courses for the lay leaders, stewards, treasurers, Sunday School teachers, class leaders and on the work of the Official Board. We have recognized as one of our main objectives the teaching of Christian stewardship and proper book-keeping methods.

Personnel Changes

Several changes of personnel have occurred. Shortly after conference, Miss Esther Russell became head bookkeeper at Old Umtali Central Office. In July, Rev. Morgan Johnson took over as pastor of Penhalonga-Mundenda in addition to his teaching assignment. In August we welcomed Rev. and Mrs. A. Muzorewa as pastor of Ehnes Memorial Church. Following the departure of Mr. S. Tsopotsa to General Conference, Rev. A. Muzorewa also assumed the chairmanship of Old Umtali Executive in January. At the same time, Mr. B. Higgs became Acting Principal. The new pastor of Penhalonga-Odzi circuit is Mr. M. Muchanyerei who started in Dec., 1963. Rev. Johnson continued serving with Mundenda circuit.

The District Medical Extension Team, made up of Dr. Rosalie Johnson and Sister Erika Morosani, are visiting rural clinics every Wednesday. This is being expanded to include points in North Inyanga. Meanwhile Mrs. Tsopotsa serves as Matron of the Old Umtali medical units.

Other new personnel include the two school managers Mr. D. Bvunzawabaya, at Nyakatsapa, and Mr. W. Gombedza at Rusape. Mr. Matthew Mataranyika became director of Shona Language School in October, and also renewed his work as our effective District

Lay Leader. Mr. W. Marima was re-elected District Treasurer. He continues to give much of his time to speaking to churches on stewardship.

Rev. and Mrs. Ovid Stine have moved to Shapuri in St. Swithins, Inyanga, where we have secured a new 100-acre site for future development. Both are working with the pastor in caring for the needs of people, physically, and spiritually, while investigating the possibilities in the area for church extension. For the development of a new mission site, we call upon the Bishop and the conference to appoint the following as the St. Swithins development committee: The District Superintendent, chairman; Director of Development, pastor, school manager, Southern building inspector, Rev. M. W. Murphree, medical representative from Old Umtali, and one representative from Shapuri, Nyautare Church, and Tanda (Derewe) church. It should be the responsibility of the conference with the director carrying out the committee's plan.

The District Conference met at Nyakatsapa where a new plan of giving was adopted. This is really a combination of district and circuit system of finance. Some circuits have done very well with their pastor receiving full salary regularly, even above the minimum, while others have fallen behind. At the conference, licenses were issued for over 200 local preachers.

This year Old Umtali has been the host to many important gatherings including the conference Arts Workshop, the Annual Student Christian Movement Convention, the Annual M.Y.F., all in August. Then came the January Consultation, Conference committees, Ruwadzano Institute, and the Committee on Co-ordination. It has been agreed to form annual sub-district M.Y.F. conferences, one in Makoni (which held its first meeting in April at Inyazura) and the other for Mutasa-Makoni circuits which is to meet at Wengo. These two groups will meet in their district each year elect their own officers, and plan their programmes for the promotion of M.Y.F. in those areas.

One of the outstanding features of the year has been the ministers' fellowship meetings of the two southern districts. Pastors from Mutasa-Makoni met with those from Umtali South District at Mt. Makomwe in August for a seminar on evangelism that was a rich blessing

to pastors and people. Then in March there was a return visit to Mutasa-Makoni in which pastors went out in teams of two to visit and preach in fourteen local churches for four days. This followed a two-day school of evangelism in which the instructors were the Old Umtali Biblical staff.

This brief statement is hardly a summary of the district. Every pastor, lay leader, local preacher, treasurer, teacher, who has served faithfully, could add his own testimony. We recognize there is much left undone and many things that could have been done better. Yet we rejoice in God's goodness and guidance, and offer Him our praise and thanksgiving that together we are called to share in ministry. So in faith and humility we look forward to greater blessing and victory upon the church of Christ in this district and conference.

—Thomas L. Curtis

UMTALI SOUTH



D. S. Patron Nyamukapa is greeted by some members of Umtali South District.

"I am the light of the world." This statement our Lord Jesus made. The power of the light is in dark-

ness. It shows its brightness and gives beautiful warmth. He told us too that we are the light of the world and our light must be seen by all men.

The church in these days is passing through difficulties and hardships. The Umtali South District is not going to report the difficulties which it faced this year. It will leave that for some one to do, but we are going to report the good the church has achieved during the time of its witness and service to the people.

The district opened by having the District Conference at Matendeudze Methodist Church. We invited many important speakers who came and gave very inspiring messages. We felt the presence of God's Holy Spirit, which led the people to the altar service to re-dedicate themselves to His task of the new year.

District Activities. There were Vabvuwi, Ruwadzano, and M.Y.F. meetings. They were conducted by the district pastors and laymen. An intensive survey has been done within the district, and new areas and new opportunities offered by the Conference church extension programme. New church and school sites were found, and the people are waiting anxiously to receive new leases for their churches and schools in their villages.

Marange Secondary School. In the Umtali South District there is a loud cry from the sons and daughters of Africa—Zimbabwe. "We want education; we want to be educated." The words of the chief of the area, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge and wisdom." (Hosea 4: 5). In answer to the cry for education and Christianity, the Bishop of the Methodist Church in Zimbabwe climbed up the mountains with the chief and some missionaries and other African people and looked for an area to establish a secondary school. From responsible men of the Marange area came this statement, "Give us education for our children and we will give up our farm land for the sake of education of our children." Yes, men gave up their lands for school.

The *Umtali Methodist Christian Centre* and the *Methodist Girls' Hostel*. Both are giving fruitful witness to the people in Sakubva African community, and to the white people who live in Umtali community. The coming of Rev. M. Ball and Mr. and Mrs. F. Brancel

has added more strength to the Christian witness of the Methodist Christian Centre and to the Methodist Girls' Hostel in Umtali. We thank God for His wonderful love to His people in this land.

Mutambara Sunnyside Methodist Homecraft School installed a small diesel engine and pump to supplement the water pumping from the dam when the river is low. The school was fortunate in having noted visitors who spoke to the girls last year—Mr. Burkewell, Dr. C. M. Blake, and Dr. Doty. The big day at Sunnyside Methodist Homecraft was when they dedicated their laundry building to the service of God and the school. The school enrollment is of thirty students. This year for the first time the school has received government aid for one teacher.

Mutambara Medical. The work has been growing with outpatients and maternity cases over 200 the past year. The total patient load has decreased slightly, but is increasing this year. An X-Ray machine was installed at Mutambara Methodist Medical and over 200 X-Ray examinations were done. Plans are being made to try to expand our district work and a Land Rover has been purchased for transportation; and work is being done to be supplied with another State Registered Nurse to help handle this work.

The District and Centre schools. The District and Centre schools are putting tremendous efforts in the way of giving Christian education, Christian character, and Christian witness. Christian leadership has influenced each individual school to give a Christian witness to the people of the community. Mutambara Methodist Medical service has registered unlimited Christian witness to far and near communities around Mutambara Methodist Centre.

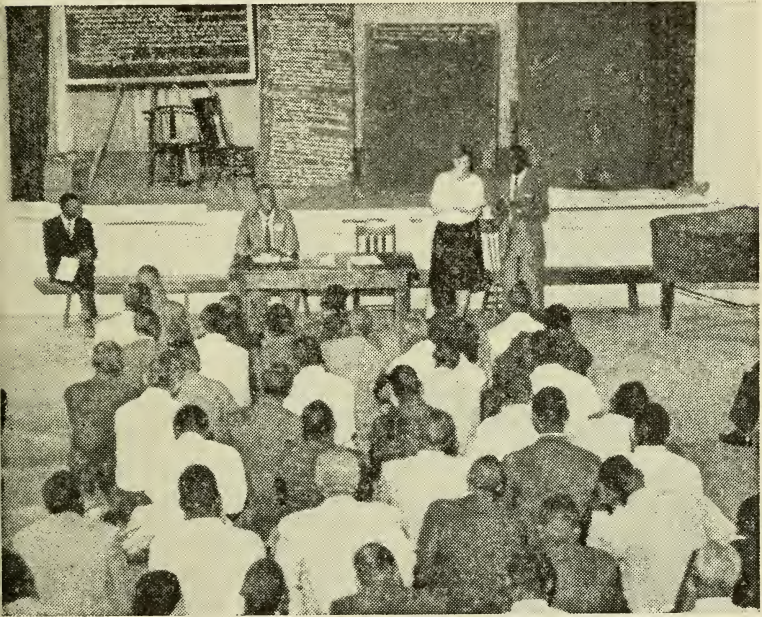
Forwardness was the life of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. It is also our life today—forwardness.

—Patron C. Nyamukapa

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RHODESIA CONFERENCE CONSULTATION

January 1-5, 1964
Old Umtali Centre



A group reports back to the Consultation Conference
at Old Umtali, January, 1964.

Christians like to talk things over. The Board of Missions started us on Consultations with the Elizabethville meeting in 1961. But Rhodesia wanted to talk over its special problems, and so the first Consultation was held at Bernard Mizeki in January, 1962. Annual Conference approved a committee to determine the need for another and it, chaired by Mr. I. Musamba, set up a Consultation Committee consisting of the Rev. N. Chiwota, Rev. Norman Thomas, Dr. Alan Whanger, Mr. Benjamin Mutambara, and Rev. Abel Muzorewa (local arrangements co-chairman) and Rev. L. Eisen-

berg (general co-chairman). This report appears in the Journal for a permanent record.

CALL TO CONSULTATION

The planning committee then issued this "Call to Consultation: "

"Guided by the Holy Spirit, we will seek to evaluate and re-examine the basis for our work in the Rhodesia Annual Conference, seeking earnestly to know together what God wants for 'A New Church in a New Africa'

"We will seek bold, new approaches to the work of the church. We will examine carefully ideas and propose plans for bringing the church more completely under the control of the people of Rhodesia.

"Through it all we will seek for a deeper understanding together of the way and will of God. We will seek deeper understanding and fellowship between the Board of Missions and this field, between African and missionary, minister and layman, and between the young and the older."

GETTING TO WORK

Feeling that his presence might be misunderstood, the Board of Missions declined the invitation to send a representative, but sent \$400 to help with the costs of bringing ten laymen from each District. Bishop Dodge, Mr. I. Musamba, Rev. J. Kawadza all co-operated, as well as most of the people of the conference. Nearly 200 were in attendance. Old Umtalians worked very hard, particularly Mrs. Ruth Matzigkeit as hostess, Mr. David Maenzanise at Girl's Boarding (along with Mr. Marima). Dr. Morgan Johnson and Mr. Wallace Kinyon and helpers headed registration, and Miss Vivian Otto, ticket sales for meals; Rev. N. Thomas and staff, the Conference Report.

Previous to the Consultation (but after planning had been started) Dr. C. Melvin Blake, Africa Secretary for the Methodist Board of Missions, had an all-day session with 35 representative African leaders in Salisbury, following an October meeting of missionaries with Dr. Blake calling for a speed-up in turning over to Africans in Rhodesia the basic responsibility for the work of the Church. "Let's be totally honest," Bishop Dodge said at the outset. The Consultation sought to do just that.

THE BIG QUESTIONS

On the opening night Rev. L. Eisenberg divided the Consultation into small groups who sought out the questions in the work of the Conference. They brought these back for a blackboard session, and later the questions were grouped and studied further.

“What is the Church?”

“What is an indigenous Church?”

“What about laymen and ministers?”

“How improve organization?”

“Whose is the Church?”

“What is the new role of the missionary?”

“What about the Committee on Coordination?”

Before giving the reports of the sections (somewhat condensed) here is a condensation of Bishop Dodge's interpretive article on the Consultation from our Conference paper, UMBOWO. His conclusions are in these six points :

1. *Missionaries are still wanted* in Rhodesia, though their role will be changing.

2. *A world-connectional church is wanted.* Interdependence is desired. Not complete separation from world Methodism, nor from the World Ecumenical Movement.

3. *A new administrative organization is badly needed.* “Discussion indicated that the Committee on Coordination must disappear.” (Note: The Elizabethville Consultation recommended an Administrative Board, as did a memorial from Rhodesia Annual Conference to General Conference). Rev. Josiah Chidzikwe and Mr. S. Tsopotsa, our delegates, were asked to take the matter to General Conference.

4. *Control must pass to Rhodesia Annual Conference* “There is no question but that the majority of those attending felt that all controls from outside Rhodesia must be removed.”

5. *A new plan of finance is needed.* There was special consideration of back salaries and current deficiencies in ministerial support. (The Board of the Ministry and the Board of Lay Activities later jointly recommended a tithing campaign). At the dedication service in Ehnes Memorial Church on January 7, nearly all present agreed to enter into a pact of proportionate

giving. (The Committee on Coordination also took action to relieve the present situation of ministers).

6. *Interest in the church on the part of laymen is great!* "One of the outstanding impressions made by the Consultation was the interest of laymen in the life of The Methodist Church."

RECOMMENDATIONS

(Note: These have been condensed. The Consultation duplicated report gives full details).

NEW RELATIONSHIPS

1. *Properties* of the Church in Rhodesia should be turned over to the Rhodesia Annual Conference. All HOUSING AND FURNITURE should be under the Conference and distributed as it sees fit.

2. *The Language and Orientation Centre* should be directly under the control of the Conference. Missionaries should have opportunity to gain experience from the orientation centre in the line of work to which they will be assigned.

3. *Missionary Ministers* should transfer their membership to Rhodesia Annual Conference, and *Lay Missionaries*, their church membership.

4. *Missionary children* we encourage to attend African schools when possible. We ask head teachers to take seriously these applications.

5. *Living in reserve or urban centres* is desirable for missionaries, as well as living on mission stations, so that they can be near the people with whom they work. We encourage the Cabinet to appoint missionaries as pastors in reserve areas.

6. *Preference to local people* should be given in assignment to positions of responsibility, if qualifications and abilities for the tasks are present.

7. *Cooperation between laymen and ministers* is encouraged. This would include missionaries in both categories.

THE RESPONSIBLE CHURCH

1. We recommend: A system of *Pledging and Tithing*. The Biblical background of giving should be taught. We call on young men, teachers and parents to encourage the other people in church responsibilities, including giving.

2. *The Lord's Acre* plan for individuals and churches.

3. A simple system of bookkeeping and handling of money for treasurer. (Note: Mrs. Kinyon's new book EASY BOOKKEEPING is an answer).

4. Can farms make a profit for the Church? We recommend that this be investigated.

5. Return to circuit basis for paying minister or ministers. This would mean that a church or circuit must pay its pastor or be disciplined; also the pastor must do his work well, too. Salaries stated are minimum salaries. Quarterly Conferences may raise salaries if the minister's service is satisfactory. If the minister is unsatisfactory, the Quarterly Conference and Pastoral Relations Committee should tell the District Superintendent.

6. A Commission to assess the financial ability of circuits and declare them either self-supporting or in need of funds. (The full details of this suggestion are in the hands of the District Superintendents and of Bishop Dodge).

"THE CHURCH REACHES OUT"

SCHOOLS

1. Turning over our mission schools under the government's community development scheme we oppose vigorously.

2. The church must see that its influence in the mission schools remains strong.

EVANGELISM

1. Trained chaplains to work among students and youth are needed in our mission centres. Their support could be carried by The Committee on Finance and Coordination.

2. A full-time children's evangelist in the Conference could be helpful.

3. 10% increase in church membership for 1964-65 is our recommendation.

4. We propose that new converts be baptized and received into the church without undue delay. They may then be instructed so that they can grow in the warmth and fellowship of the Church.

5. The use of audio-visual aids could be an item at

pastors' school. We recommend that every church possible have access to a 16mm projector.

6. *The Methodist Conference* should secure its fair share of the time allotted for religious broadcasts on SRBC.

NEW WAYS OF WORSHIPPING

1. We recommend the use of such African musical instruments as the mbira, ngoma, norombe, chipindane and hoshu in worship services.

2. We recommend the development of African music, drama and arts for worship, as well as for social purposes.

THE NEW CHURCH AND POLITICS

1. We feel that individual Christians and the Church at all levels should be involved in the political area of life.

2. The Church should study the principles and practices of political parties. It should inform its members of its findings and encourage members to join a political party of their choice, and to work to uphold Christian principles in it.

3. The Church should speak out strongly and oppose the use of oppression or the passage of oppressive legislation.

4. The Church should work for the repeal of the Land Apportionment Act, and the repeal of the "Hanging Clause" in the Law and Order (Maintenance) Act. (An appeal from the Consultation was made against the death sentence of Richard Mapolisa because he was only an accomplice in the petrol bombing).

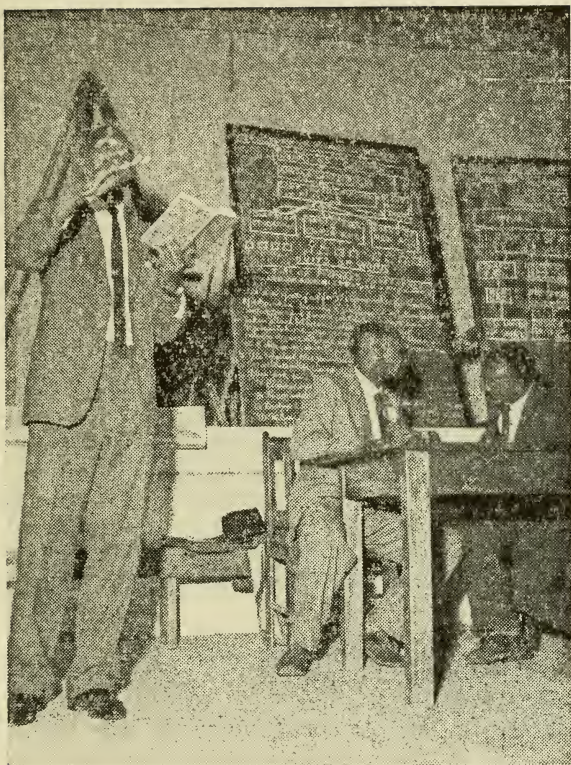
5. We join with other Christians in an appeal for a Constitutional Convention with the participation of both Africans and Europeans.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1. We recommend that class leaders of the church should meet monthly for study and prayer. (Rev. N. Thomas has a new class leader's book available).

2. Leaders should learn how to use WAEDZWA.

3. Missionaries should be sent into the District to help train class leaders.



Rev. Dennison Nyamurowa leads the Consultation in singing, while Mr. Benjamin Mutambara checks details with Mr. Naboth Gandanzara.

4. *The Official Board* in each church should take the responsibility of the activity of the Sunday School and of Class Meetings, and should keep careful check on progress. Former school teachers might be used more.

5. *Each circuit* could have a *team* that would give training in stewardship and help leaders to set the right example.

6. A *full-time conference youth worker* is needed as soon as possible, as well as full-time youth workers on each centre to help the pastor, church and school to show youth the Christian way.

7. We recommend that the Conference study carefully housing, pay and conditions of service for ministers. We need that these be attractive for men who have or will get B.A. or M.A. degrees.

8. "Call to Preach" Sunday to encourage young men are recommended.

YOUNG WOMEN

1. We suggest that Rukwadzano organize a group for younger women so that they can learn from the older generation.

2. We recommend that young women participate in the Y.W.C.A.

WABVUWI

1. We urge that Wabvuwi visit and pray with those who have grown cold.

2. We urge Wabvuwi to follow their regulations for pins and badges.

3. To prevent misunderstanding in the changing of leaders at elections, we urge that the leaders teach people that changes are to come, to avoid any surprise or criticism. Members should know that leaders can be re-elected.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

1. We gratefully recognize the growing expressions of churches desiring a unity in Christ. Especially are we grateful for the conversations that have taken place between Synod and Conference representatives. It is recommended that their conversations continue, and that the Church look forward to opportunities for co-operation and possible merger with other Christian bodies.

2. We request that copies of the report of findings of this 1964 Consultation be sent to the relevant offices of the Board of Missions in New York for their information and consideration. We further express the appreciation of all present at the Consultation for the expressed interest and financial support of the Board of Missions that has helped to make this Consultation possible.

3. Resolved that this Consultation endorse the support of the memorial prepared by the 1963 Annual

Conference (JOURNAL, page 103) requesting General Conference for enabling legislation to enable an administrative board under the Annual Conference to perform the duties of the previous Committee on Co-ordination.

4. We request that the recommendations from the 1964 Consultation Conference concerning the proposed parallel structure of the Financial and Administrative processes of the programme of the church in Rhodesia be sent to the Quarterly Conferences, Annual Conference, and Board of Missions for consideration and comments. (The enabling legislation requested in No. 2 above, will if granted provide for the possibility of instituting this system of administration).

5. We request the Board of Missions to grant control of the use of lands, furniture and housing to the Rhodesia Annual Conference now, pending legal transfer of titles at a later time when arrangements can be made.

6. We request the Board of Missions for permission to have the language and orientation training centre for missionary personnel be administered by the Annual Conference.

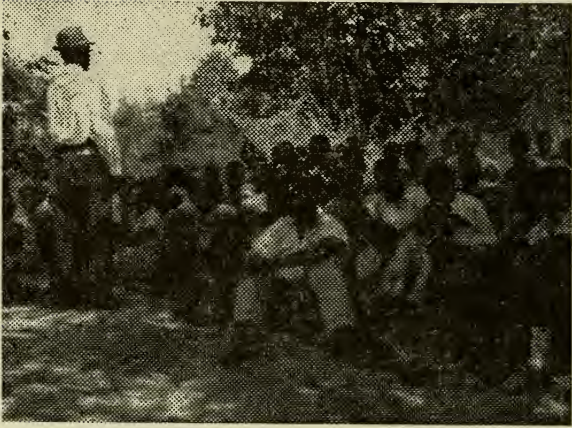
7. We urge the Annual Conference to make provision for the training and operation of a stewardship promotion team, to promote the practice of tithing, of full Christian stewardship.

8. We recommend that the Annual Conference return to a circuit basis of responsibility for the payment of the ministry as outlined in the scheme included in the Consultation report.

9. We commend the section of the Consultation report on the church and politics to the Board of Christian Social Concerns for their consideration and implementation.

10. We commend the relevant sections of the Consultation report, Section 5, "The Church Reaches Out" to the respective Boards of the Conference for their consideration and implementation.

Agriculture (Daily Proceedings No. 57)



Outdoor Agriculture Class.

I. Following the resolution by the January Consultation, we recommend that a committee be established to do two things: (a) to determine whether Mission Farms are making a profit; (b) to determine what emphasis and scope there should be for agriculture programmes in the "New Church."

We recommend that Messrs. Musamba, Kinyon and Kowo constitute the committee. We also suggest that item VIII B of the section on "the Responsible Church" be used as a term of reference for this committee.

II. We recommend that the Conference Agricultural Committee be merged with the Committee on Christian Home and Family. (Referred to the Special Committee to study Conference reorganization).

III. We commend the 'Mugowe wa Tenzi' (Lord's Acre) plan to every circuit pastor and evangelist as a channel through which Christian stewardship and tithing, as well as Christian family life may be promoted. We do recommend that this plan be presented for implementation not on the basis of the church congregation, but on the basis of the family.

IV. We propose that the Methodist Rural Training Centre offer the following kinds of short courses at Old Umtali: (a) Stewardship, Lord's Acre promotion. (b) Training of leaders for Young Farmers Club, Co-operatives and for bookkeeping.

(c) Animal husbandry i.e. how to raise fowls, pigs, prevention of erosion, etc. (e) Nutrition, choosing the fish, etc. (d) Field husbandry i.e. use of fertilizers, right kinds of food and how to prepare them.

(f) Gardening.

V. Following our recommendation No. 4 in our minutes of 1963, we express our appreciation to the Synod for sending along Mr. Gardner as a fraternal delegate to our meeting. We trust that this practice will continue.

VI. It is noted that the machinery testing programme under the financial support of the Agricultural Aids Foundation is continuing, on a limited scale. The latest tractor is able to plough very well on dry soils.

VII. Messrs. Chimbwanda, Kinyon and Chitombo have taken intensive training in credit unions in Tanganyika, and are prepared to offer their services in organizing credit unions. The society at Old Umtali is doing very well. A marketing co-op also has been formed at Arnoldine farm.

VIII. It was noted that 9 Master Farmers have passed since the last Conference bringing the total to 13 Master Farmers at Arnoldine and Nyakatsapa.

It was also noted that Nyakatsapa met a contract of 14 tons of peas with Sun Rho, who will process them.

Audio-Visual

(Daily Proceedings No. 58)

The audio visual phase of our work has been effectively functioning during the past conference year. We are becoming more conscious of the use of materials through the emphasis being placed upon such in education. However, as church leaders, we should use to a greater advantage the audio visual helps available in presenting the gospel message. It is encouraging that increased audio visual facilities and equipment are being provided at several of our centres.

The committee has been pleased to be able to render some assistance. Our Film Library facilities have been provided through an agreement with the Central Africa Christian Film Library, under the supervision of the Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference. The use of films of the Central Africa Christian Film Library is widespread. At least 2,000 films have been used during the past year and shown to audiences of over 200,000 people. This has provided an outstanding opportunity for evangelism. The committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That Old Umtali Biblical Institute and Epworth Theological College give more instruction in the use of audio visual methods and materials. Workshops should be arranged for conference workers centering around the various church activities. This would make possible a more effective presentation of the gospel message.

2. That we use more effectively pictures and flannelgraph materials, since the use of non-projected materials is somewhat neglected in our churches.

3. That a set of basic 16mm. films on the life of Christ be secured by our church for Old Umtali Biblical Institute, to be used and circulated in the south country.

4. That our centres cooperate and express initiative in providing more material for the Southern Rhodesia Broadcasting Corporation.

5. That in evangelism a greater use should be made of films. Many churches are very effectively using them in large urban areas.

6. Attention is called to the availability of the *Fact and Faith* films that can be used for scientific presentation and evangelistic appeal in secondary and teacher training schools.

7. To strengthen the use of audio visual materials, equipment, and methods in our conference programs of training and evangelism, we request the Cabinet to designate two part time audio-visual workers, one for the Northern and one for the Southern section of our Conference, which workers will be responsible for promoting the audio visual program of training and

evangelism in their respective areas, as time and talent wil permit, above their other responsibilities.

8. We request the Board of Finance and Coordination to redirect the Audio-Visual Budget Share after Sept. 30th, 1964, and annually thereafter, so that this budget may be available to the two audio-visual workers appointed under No. 7 above, for their use in the conference program. Budgetary provision for the work of Rev. Sells in visual aids through Sept. 30th, 1964 should continue to be provided for his work until that date, after which time it should be discontinued.

Audit

(Daily Proceedings No. 66)

The following books of the Rhodesia Annual Conference have been audited:

1. CONFERENCE TREASURER: The balance in the Cash Book of £11,277-10-0 agrees with the Bank balance.

2. CONFERENCE PENSION FUND: The Bank balance of £349-19-3 agrees with the ledger cash balance. The invested funds amount to £12,024-15-7 but were not available for checking.

3. RUKWADZANO RWE WADZIMAI: The balance in Postal Savings is £1790-14-2 and agrees with the Cash Book.

4. MYF BOOKS were presented for audit but since no statement was made as to Cash on hand or in Savings Account, they were considered as incomplete by our committee.

5. NGARIENDE: The Cash Book balance £76-11-5 agrees with cash on hand of £76-11-5 which was counted and found correct.

6. MUTASA-MAKONI DISTRICT TREASURER: Balance in Cash Book of £539-2-11 agrees with Bank statement. No cash on hand.

7. UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT TREAS.: These books were accepted after various corrections had been made by Rev. C. Miller. The Cash Book balance of £75-9-6 agrees with the Bank statement, but we do not recommend that these books be turned back to the present treasurer.

8. CHRISTIAN CONVENTION SOUTH: The balance of

£85-15-1½ in the Cash Book agrees with the total of £7-1-7½ cash on hand counted, and the balance of £78-13-6 in the Post Office Savings Account.

9. CHRISTIAN CONVENTION NORTH: These books were brought for audit but no entries were made since last audit when the balance was £60-12-0½.

10. VABVUWI NORTH: No entries were made in these books since last audit in 1963 when the balance was £66-7-7.

11. STUDENT LOAN: These books were audited in January, 1964, when the balance was £24-13-4.

The following books were not presented for audit:

Umbowo

Vabvuwi South

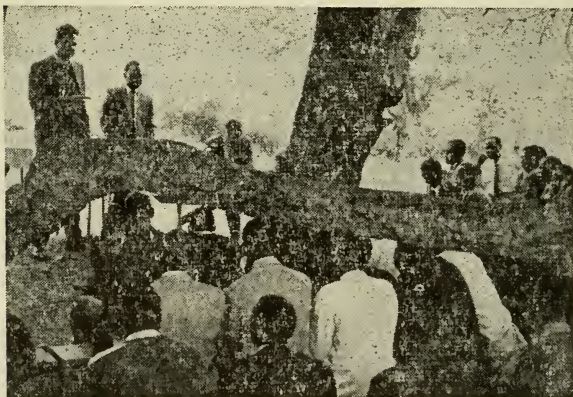
Chikwizo books

Chikwizo Building account

Mrewa District Treas.

Mtoko-Nyadiri District Treasurer

No reports on School Committees books



Team at work teaching stewardship to our people

Recommendations:

1. We recommend that all treasurers of organizations of the Rhodesia Annual Conference submit their books to be audited in January when all

Conference committees meet, except the Conference Treasurer and Pension Fund books.

2. We recommend that because the Conference Treasurer is now handling large sums of government grants and other funds that his books as well as Pension Fund be audited by the commercial auditors in the same way as the Field Treasurer's books are audited, except the audit should be done by April 30th.

Christian Convention, North

(Daily Proceedings No. 15)

The Christian Convention, North, met at Muchinjike on June 29, 1963.

1. We request that the Church Discipline be printed in Shona language. (Referred to the Board of Publications).

2. Realizing that time has come when our requests and problems can be presented to the Annual Conference through various channels now available, such as the District Conferences, the boards and committees of the Annual Conference, and other agencies; the Northern Section Christian Convention agreed that the Christian Convention be dissolved. (Referred back to the Christian Convention in the light of the Christian Convention South proposal).

3. It was decided that the cash on hand be used toward the ministers' back salaries.

Christian Convention, South

(Daily Proceedings No. 16)

The 35th Christian Convention South met in Umtali at Hilltop Church on March 6-8, 1964.

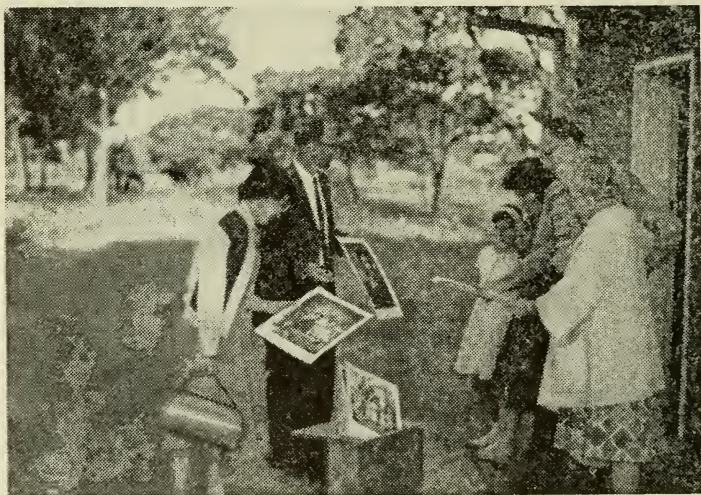
1. We resolve that the Community Development scheme for education in our country as planned by the government be vigorously opposed and call for mass multi-racial education in Southern Rhodesia. (Referred to the Schools' Committee).

2. The Christian Convention is reminding the circuits or districts which are neglecting the cooperation between the minister and the headteacher in signing forms for students applying for other schools.

3. We strongly oppose any other church meetings held during the dates of the Christian Convention, in the district or circuit where the Convention is meeting. We respect the approved church calendar and urge all groups to plan no meetings in conflict with it.

4. We do ask the Executive Committees in our centres to see or examine any employee who may want to work in any department. They must also provide forms to be filled in by the applicant where conditions of service acceptable to the church are laid down, which are to be explained to the applicant before he or she signs at the Station Chairman's office.

5.(a) We ask our Conference to work together with the S. Rhodesia government so that many schools may be opened which will be enough for all children from Sub A to Form 4.



At Arnoldine Farm, Rev. Norman Thomas demonstrates the new picture boxes, used in Christian Education throughout the Conference.

(b) We also ask our Conference as well as the government to open more industrial schools for all children from Std. 4 to Form 4.

6. We strongly confirm that the Christian Convention be continued; all Christians, white and black, are members. (Referred back to the Christian Convention South in the light of the Christian Convention North proposal).

Christian Education

(Daily Proceedings No. 45)

A. SUNDAY SCHOOLS

1. We would remind our pastors and lay leaders that the Official Board of each local church is responsible for seeing that Sunday School for children, youth and adults is organized and going on well. The Sunday School superintendent shall report to the Official Board the progress made in all classes.

To help the Official Board members to understand this and other responsibilities, we recommend that a small book explaining the work of the Official Board be prepared.

2. We encourage local churches to have more than one Sunday School, so that children may have Sunday Schools near their homes where possible.

3. We encourage our Methodist children to attend Sunday worship and Sunday School classes at the nearest place of Methodist worship.

4. We recommend that pupil's material for use in children's Sunday School be prepared and made available for Sunday Schools throughout our Conference, similar to those used at Hilltop church, Umtali.

5. We recommend that adult lessons in 1965 be printed in UMBOWO.

B. CLASS MEETINGS

1. We suggest that a weekly scheme for class meetings of beginners, probationers, and full members in schools be prepared for the use of class leaders.

2. We suggest that the present *Vaedzwa* book become the basic text for use to both probationers and full members, and that a new book with lessons on a simpler level be prepared for use by class meetings of probationers.

C. M.Y.F.

1. We recommend that on church centres, the older youth (post sixes) may adopt a different program from that of the younger youth (primary students). Within the MYF they may form two MYF groups.

a. Each MYF group shall elect its own officers (president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer). Each MYF shall have its own advisors.

b. Where stations have more than one MYF, the officers and advisors of each group, together with the pastor, shall form the MYF Council to plan the programme of the MYF, and the MYF groups shall work together. The president of the post-six MYF shall be the chairman of the MYF Council.

c. The Post-six MYF may affiliate with the Student Christian Movement (SCM) of similar post-six groups in Rhodesia, but they shall remain members of the MYF.

d. The post-six MYF shall prepare their programs using both MYF and SCM program helps.

2. We recommend that adults counsellors be present at all youth meetings, especially at MYF circuit and district conferences.

3. We recommend that a joint youth leadership training school be held with the Methodist Synod.

4. We recommend that a full-time Conference Director of Youth Work be appointed immediately.

5. We recommend that a full-time youth worker be appointed to each centre to work with the pastor, the church, and the school to teach the Christian way for all parts of life, and to give leadership training.

D. LEADERSHIP TRAINING

1. We recommend that two conference refresher courses in Christian education be held during the coming year for one week each—one at Epworth and one at O.U.B.I., to which local church leaders shall be invited.

2. We recommend to the Joint Theological Training Council that the Epworth theological curriculum be revised to include tutorials during the third year of training, including one in Christian education.

3. We urge district school managers to hold refresher courses for their teachers each year, and that training in the teaching of Scripture, as well as in leading class meetings, Sunday School, and MYF be included in the courses offered.

4. We invite the Schools Committee to jointly sponsor a study conference on "The Place of the Teacher in School and Church." Both leaders of church and school would attend to consider how community development and other new government policies will affect the participation of our school teachers in the life of the church.

5. We recommend that February, 1965 be Christian Education Month in Rhodesia Conference, with a week of special emphasis on Christian education in every local church.

Christian Home and Family Life (Daily Proceedings No. 29)



1. We feel great concern over the increase in drinking, especially among our young people and even

small school children. This is one of the greatest dangers to the Christian home and family life.

(a) As a full time temperance worker does not seem feasible at this time, we recommend that the Temperance Committee prepare a strong program on Temperance to be incorporated into every phase of home and Church life.

(b) Besides literature we need much education on the evils of alcohol. Study groups should be formed so that the people can know the real dangers of alcohol.

(c) We feel that every organization of the Church etc., should receive instruction as to how to promote this Campaign.

(d) The Conference Evangelists, Social Evangelist, M.Y.F. Counsellor, etc, should all co-operate in this program against the evils and dangers of alcohol.

(e) Furthermore, we request that time be given for one of our doctors to lecture in schools, church, etc, on this subject.

(f) Also we ask that our pastors join with the others in educating and promoting the work in our homes and churches.

2. We recommend that "Alcoholics Anonymous" be approached and requested to extend their work among Africans in Umtali, Rusape, and in rural areas whenever possible so that the growing numbers of alcoholics can be reached.

3. The Institute which Mrs. Culver organized on the Christian home proved so successful that we recommend that they be extended to every district. We ask the Bishop and Cabinet to appoint Mrs. Culver, on her return from furlough, and Mr. and Mrs. Saburi, to continue this work of organizing Institutes, and that they be planned to bring in the whole family as far as possible.

4. As so many of our people do not have an understanding of Christian baptism, we feel the need of a pamphlet explaining the meaning of this sacrament. In this pamphlet should be included suitable names with their meanings. We suggest that the committee

on Evangelism be responsible for this. (Referred to Board of Publications).

5. There is a great lack of understanding about Christian marriage, and we feel that our people need instruction on it. We recommend that Mrs. Culver's book on this subject be revised and made more explicit, including customs and symbols—such as what the ring means, what is the significance of the ring, the white dress, the veil, etc. Many practices have no significance or make no contribution to starting a *Christian* home. We suggest that the community as well as the young couple need instruction. Too often so much money is spent on the wedding that nothing is left for starting a home. We request the Conference to appoint a committee to work with Mrs. Culver in this revision. (Referred to Board of Publications).

6. We feel that instruction should be given to our young people in our schools to help them in knowing how to make their decisions about life partners, conduct of engaged couples and other pertinent information and advice. M.Y.F. should also be encouraged to give help in classes on courtship and marriage. This should be done in consultation with the minister.

7. We recommend the combining of this committee with the Committee on Christian Education.

Christian Social Concerns

(Daily Proceedings No. 53)

We wish to express our gratitude to those persons who have assisted in the development of our new conference Christian social concerns programme. We are especially grateful to the superintendent of the Umtali-South, Mtasa-Makoni and Mrowa Districts for providing for the presentation of this program at their district conferences, for the establishment of district Christian social concerns committees, and for the Christian social concerns workshops that have been held in these districts.

We recommend that similar provision be made during the coming conference year with the district Christian social concerns committees reporting to the District Conference, and that as many circuit or local church committees as possible be established. We point



—Photo courtesy of Daily News
18,000 people worshipped together when the Ministers' Fraternal called for a day of prayer in April, 1964. Rev. K. Choto was a speaker.

out to each pastor and lay delegate that the main purpose of a Christian social concerns committee is to find Christian solutions to social problems in the local community and that assistance in organising such committees can be secured by contacting the Conference Christian social concerns committee through the Conference Office or the secretary, Rev. R. E. Hughes, Room 29, Wonder Shopping Centre, Kingsway, Salisbury. We strongly recommend to our pastors that when critical social problems arise they immediately get in touch with the conference committee by writing to the above address or by telephoning the secretary at either Salisbury 29554 or 38259. The secretary will then endeavor to arrange for providing every possible assistance. (Conference Office telephone, 29427).

Christian Social Concerns Sunday:

We again recommend that the Conference Calendar Committee set aside the first Sunday in March as a special day on the conference calendar to be observed as 'Christian Social Concerns Sunday' throughout the conference on which occasion a special message on Christian social concerns prepared by our bishop will be read in all pulpits.

Strengthening the Life of the Church:

A. Visitation of Prisoners:

Whenever a person is arrested and placed in gaol usually two things happen. The prisoner himself is in great need of pastoral care and encouragement, and his family's needs may be neglected. We encourage our pastors to make special effort to visit and minister to the needs of any of their members who may be imprisoned and to see that their families are not neglected. If a member is imprisoned in another community the pastor should contact the pastor serving that area requesting visitation. The conference committee is anxious to have the names of conference Methodists restricted at the Wha Wha Restriction Camp near Gwelo. We also recommend that the Scholarship Committee of the C.o.C. consider the setting aside of funds to be used to pay for correspondence courses for long-term prisoners. In all of our ministry to prisoners we recommend that priority be given to political prisoners because of the questionable circumstances under which many of them are denied their freedom.

B. Day of Prayer Observance:

We strongly commend the African Ministers' Fraternal of Salisbury for the "Day of Prayer" observances that have been held in that city and we encourage our pastors in both the cities and reserves to discuss with pastors of other denominations the possibility of holding such interdenominational services in their areas, especially in times of crisis.

The account of the Salisbury service in the April issue of "UMBOWO" may give valuable ideas and if assistance is needed in planning, pastors can contact the committee on Christian social concerns in Salisbury for advice. Prayer is never a substitute for Christian action; but action, if it is to be Christian, must begin with prayer.

C. The Church and Politics:

We affirm our support for the 1964 Consultation when it said, "We are of the strong conviction that individual Christians and the church at all levels ought to be involved in the political area of life. For the church and its followers to make this area an exception because it is said to be 'dirty' or 'evil' is neither

a faithful nor a wise course to follow. Our Lord wants all parts of our lives surrendered to Him without exception and to separate ourselves from the legitimate aspirations of our membership would be a serious mistake."

While encouraging our members to associate themselves with the political party or movement of their choice, we feel that the Church itself should avoid endorsing any particular political party. Rather the involvement of the Church should be in the area of endorsing principles which uplift mankind and promote his common welfare and condemning practices which undermine the dignity of mankind.

III. Our Witness to Society:

A. The National Split:

We deplore the continuation of the division in the nationalist movement because this is not in the interests of the country. The daily occurrence of violence in African townships brings continual hardship to the African people and is evidence that it is unwise. We feel that the goals of the nationalist movement are not likely to be achieved as long as this division continues.

B. The Restrictions:

We are concerned that the Government has chosen to resort to the practice of denying large numbers of Southern Rhodesian citizens their freedom by the decree of one official without first bringing them before a court of law. Such action we feel is a denial of a basic principle of justice and arouses fears of rule by men rather than rule by law. The reducing of violence is a worthy goal, but ends do not justify means and in this instance civilised standards are being sacrificed for expediency, the very charge we often hear being made against newly independent African states.

We, therefore, appeal to the Government to charge those who have been restricted in a court of law, or if it does not have the necessary evidence to do so to release them.

We convey to all of those who are presently under restriction our concern over their condition and the assurance of our prayers over their behalf. We express to the families of restrictees, innocent children and

wives, our deep sorrow over their deprivation of fatherly and motherly love and their means of livelihood.

We appeal to Christians of goodwill to contribute money to a fund which we are establishing to be used to help relieve the physical suffering of restrictees and their families.

C. The National Situation:

We are deeply disturbed by the trend events have taken in our country in recent months.

It is becoming increasingly obvious that our country is moving in a vicious circle in which the political frustration of the African people is expressing itself in the form of strikes, boycotts and various forms of violence only to be followed by mass arrests, restrictions and bannings which, in turn, increase frustration. This we submit is the root of the troubles in this country and not international communism as claimed by the government. (This sentence later deleted).

Through its emphasis on a policy of deterrence the government is dealing more with symptoms than with causes. We are of the firm conviction that restriction is not a realistic substitute for reform, and that lasting social and economic stability will come only when government policy is responsive to the will of the people.

Therefore, we earnestly appeal for the convening of a constitutional conference which would make provision for majority government. To delay is to perpetuate the present vicious circle of circumstances. To declare independence would constitute an act of rebellion and create a grave situation in which we might find it necessary to advise our people that they are under no moral obligation to carry out the commands of an illegal government. To institute a government that is directly responsible to the will of the people is both realistic and in accordance with the Christian doctrine of the dignity and equality of man.

Deaconesses

(Daily Proceedings No. 32)

Following the suggestions of the Board of the Ministry, the staff at the Old Umtali Biblical Institute agreed to give an extra year of study to two young

women who have already completed the regular two year evangelist course. This is progressing satisfactorily and these two young women should make good "Bible Women" or Christian education workers.

The original thought was the possibility of this leading into a deaconess training program. Therefore the chairman of the Board of Deaconesses has corresponded with Miss Mary Lou Barnwell, secretary of Deaconess work, New York. Her emphasis is placed on a higher qualification for beginning study than these particular young women have. She mentions basic courses such as: Bible, Christian Education, simple theology, resources and apparatus, and a specialty depending upon their particular field of service or work.

The two now studying have covered most of this suggested curriculum but in agreement with Miss Barnwell's suggestion of higher qualifications and a study somewhat parallel with the training of ministers, it is considered wiser to initiate the deaconess training at Epworth College, requiring J.C. or even Cambridge background before study.

Harris Memorial College in Manila, Miss Prudencia Fabro, president, now has a four year training programme which Miss Barnwell suggests we might investigate as it would be more likely to fit our situation than the United States programme.

Ecumenical Relations

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 23, 24, 25, 26)

A. THEOLOGICAL COUNCIL

We recommend a change in the constitution of the Joint Theological Council to permit each participating church to pay their respective tutors at Epworth and O.U.B.I. according to their own salary scales.

B. EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION

The last annual meeting of the Evangelical Association was held in April, 1963. The date of this year's meeting is set for September in Umtali. So for this reason we have not received a full report of the work that is being carried on in Mozambique for the past twelve months.

However, we are requested to remember in prayer all the pastors, students and teachers in the theological

school, missionaries, and others who are serving Christ in that land.

The present chairman is Rev. T. Adolfsson, a Methodist missionary in Mozambique, and the treasurer is Mrs. F. Meacham of Umtali. Conference representatives on this body are Rev. T. Curtis and Rev. E. Matongo.

Educational Study

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 37, 39, 86)

In the report of the Schools Committee to the 1963 Annual Conference, it was stated that "in view of the fact that we are rapidly moving into a complex system of secondary schools, training schools, and higher education, we strongly recommend that the Conference set up a committee to look into the need for administration of Schools by a separate Board of Education as is done in many other conferences, rather than by the School Committee of the conference. We recommend that this study committee be composed of the Administrative Assistants, four district superintendents, five principals, three school managers, and five members-at-large, who would report to the next session of conference." The following is that report.

The first discussion was held at Rusape in October, and this was followed by four area meetings which went into details and sent their findings to the other groups. Another meeting came in January and the final report was completed in March. Mr. Samuel Tsootsa served as chairman of the committee.

I. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

(a) The board will make recommendations with regard to goals and planning for all education and technical training for approval by conference.

(b) The board will recommend the allocation of funds to the Committee on Coordination which will disburse money which is allocated, that is raised by the field or comes from New York.

(c) The board will recommend standard contract forms for all educational staff to conference for approval. The chairman of the board will be responsi-

ble to conference for signing such contracts on behalf of the board.

(d) The board will determine the curriculum to be followed at our post standard six schools.

(e) The board will recommend to the Bishop, after consultation with educational staff, i.e. principals, school managers, missionaries, and post-primary headmasters.

(f) The board will make an annual report to conference on its activities for the previous year and its plans for the future for the purpose of information, revision, and acceptance.

(g) The board in cooperation with the principals and school managers will be responsible for the recruitment of educational personnel.

II. CONTROL OF EDUCATIONAL POLICY

(a) The administration of schools will be carried out by the board but basic policy will be subject to Annual Conference control. Conference is responsible for giving the board clear-cut directives with regard to general policy, moral and religious matters. In case of a difference of opinion with regard to these matters, this must be worked out between conference (or an approved committee of conference) and the board. Final decision rests with conference.

III. FUNCTIONS AND POWERS OF THE BOARD

(a) The board will determine the school fees to be charged at all educational institutions and will approve annual school budgets of the principals and school managers.

(b) Buildings. (i) Principals and school managers with the approval of the board will submit needs and plans for educational buildings and extension through normal channels to the Committee on Finance and Coordination. (ii) The principal. Consultation with the Station Executive will allocate housing for educational staff.

IV. COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD

(a) Members are elected by Conference to serve

for four years unless they are changed or go on furlough.

(b) Categories of membership: 3 ministers, 1 district superintendent, 3 principals, 2 school managers, 2 post-primary headmasters, 4 members-at-large. The executive secretary is an ex-officio member.

V. THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

(a) The executive secretary will be appointed by the Bishop in consultation with the board.

VI. FUNCTIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

(a) To supervise and coordinate the work of principals and managers.

(b) To train and advise new personnel.

(c) To check up on financial records termly.

(d) To deal with difficult problems which arise among principals, managers, teachers and parents before such are referred to the circuit inspector.

(e) To lead a planning session and a detailed study of finance, staffing, and future plans with each centre and district, once a year.

(f) To be responsible for the implementation of all programmes of the board.

(g) To be the official representative of the board.

(h) To be conference member on the advisory board.

(i) To give an annual report to the board of his past year's work and his plans for the coming year.

VII. APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT HEADTEACHERS

(a) A school manager is to appoint the headteachers both old and new of district schools after consultation with the pastors and district superintendent annually.

(b) If the quarterly conference wishes, it may make a statement on any teacher's character.

VIII. MATTERS OF DISCIPLINE

(a) A manager should consult with the D.S. and executive secretary of the board and the S.C. before

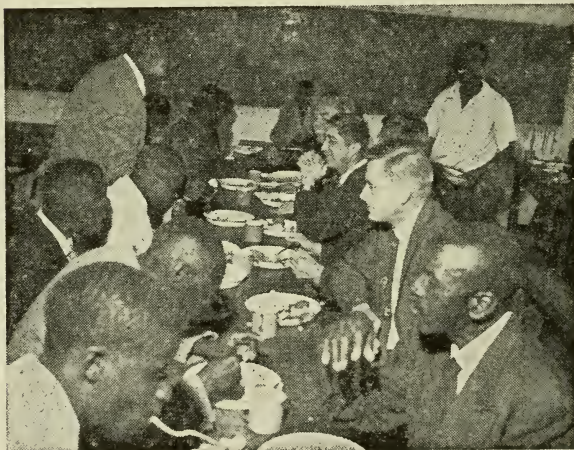
expelling and suspending students in the rural schools.

(b) A principal should consult with the D.S. and executive secretary of the board and station executive before expelling and suspending students on the mission centres.

(c) Before giving due notice to any teacher a manager or principal should give a report to the executive secretary, pastor and D.S. regarding any disciplinary action taken against a teacher.

Evangelism

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 8, 12)



Evangelism workers enjoy the fellowship of food and conversation.

A. REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE SECRETARY OF EVANGELISM, 1964

I. EVANGELISM

Once again the evangelistic program is deeply indebted to the district superintendents, ministers, missionaries and laymen for the splendid cooperation they have given us through the year. I would like to mention these ministers and missionaries who took

time to preach in evangelistic campaigns. Among these were: Rev. J. Kawadza, Rev. O. Stine, Rev. N. Thomas, Rev. D. Nyamarowa, Rev. C. Hanson, Rev. D. Mudzingerere, Rev. K. Choto, Rev. S. Kowo, Rev. L. Eisenberg, Rev. M. Kalso. Guest preachers from outside for evangelistic services included Rev. Tom Murphy and Dr. J. T. Seamands, of the United States, Rev. Alan Walker, of Australia, and Rev. Ken Enright, of Katanga, who held a meeting with the Secondary and T.T. students at Old Umtali, and was also the Annual Conference noontime devotions speaker.

The district superintendents have not only shown a willingness for us to carry out our program in their districts, but have also shown great initiative in pushing evangelism in their respective areas.

We are happy to report that we have continued to see many individuals and congregations commit or re-commit themselves to Christ. The trend that we noted last year away from a nominal, uncritical acceptance of Christianity to a deeper, more careful consideration of the cost of Christian discipleship continues. For this we are grateful.

But we cannot be satisfied with this aspect of Christian growth alone. The January Consultation recommended a drive for a 10% increase in church membership during this year. Although we cannot measure the growth of our church solely by statistics, we dare not be content with a church which, in a country with a growing population, only maintains the level of its membership.

There are many open doors for us to expand evangelistically. Our urban areas contain vast numbers of unevangelized people and those who have allowed their church membership and interest to lapse.

Our mission campuses are a fruitful field of evangelism. Students are more responsive to the Gospel than they were 18 months ago. The stand of our church and others on social and political issues is bearing fruit. Many of our young people are evaluating the Gospel on its merits, not on its supposed relationship with certain social and political systems.

In our rural circuits we have many evangelistic "blind spots". *We must come to the realization that the constituency of a school at any one of our stations does*

not usually coincide with the constituency of the church at the same station. Children will walk much further to school than adults will walk to church. Thus in rural areas, villages near a station have a fair proportion of Christians, while villages further away may have none at all! In one sample at Chifamba in the Mtoko District a "line" (village) of 15 households near the school had 32 church members in it (including the church lay leader, who was the sabuku), while a village of 32 households further way which sent its children to the *same school*, had only *one* church member, and she had been a member of the Salvation Army who had been brought there by her husband!

What programs can we fashion to meet these challenges?

1. We would urge the establishment of small chapels in villages more remote from our stations, where mid-week meetings can be held to carry the evangelistic thrust of our Church into these evangelistic "blind spots."

2. The adoption of the Consultation recommendation for a 10% increase drive in church membership during the year to be promoted by *literature and charts* impressing upon individuals the goal of "each one win one", and upon local congregations the goal of incorporating new converts into the church.

3. An increased emphasis on lay evangelism. We are happy to announce the visit to our conference in June of Rev. Ben Johnson and two laymen from the United States who are specialists in this field. They will visit both rural and urban areas of our Conference. A Laymen's Institute in Evangelism will be held at Old Um-tali Biblical Institute while they are here.

4. The continuation of our evangelistic programs on our mission centres. Capt. Damon Rader of the Salvation Army will be with us at Nyadiri in the first part of June for an evangelistic campaign with students.

5. An increased emphasis on urban evangelism.

II. CHURCH EXTENSION

The district superintendents' report mentioned the work done in this area. Our Church has made real strides forward during the past year. In Mkota a new

circuit has been formed. In Area C an evangelist has been appointed to organize a new circuit. A new circuit is functioning in Bulawayo. In Inyanga North a mission site has been secured and a missionary family sent to develop it. In Maranke new congregations have been formed. A new circuit has been formed in Chiduku North. All this is an indication of healthy growth.

In particular let me mention Area C. The need for an evangelist was obvious. We had no money available to appoint a resident man to this area. Yet in the faith that our Conference would answer the challenge a man was sent in January. The Church has responded. The Wabvuwi gave. Rev. Jijita's church in Rusape gave. The Salisbury churches gave. And now the Rukwadzano has given us £60, so that the evangelist's salary is underwritten for the whole year. For this we thank the donors, and we thank God. He has given us the Gospel. We have said, "Ngariende." And as long as our Church maintains this spirit, it will continue to grow.

B. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We recommend that the Bible Correspondence Course now available in Shona continue to be promoted energetically.

2. We recommend the name of Rev. M. W. Murphree as conference secretary of evangelism and the names of Rev. L. Chieza and D. Chipaumire as conference evangelists. We further recommend to the cabinet that Rev. O. Stine's name be added to the list of conference evangelists, even if he serves on a part-time basis.

3. Items 14 and 15 of the 1963 Conference Journal, p. 92, concerning open communion and baptism upon profession of faith was referred to the district superintendents, the pastors' meeting and other groups with the expectation that their recommendations be brought upon the Conference floor. The chairman was asked to see that this is done. (Referred to the district superintendents).

4. We re-iterate our recommendation that all approved supply pastors be permitted to administer the sacraments and request the board of the ministers pre-

pare a memorial to Central Conference to this effect. (Referred for action by the Central Conference).

5. The need for more promotion and better organization of evangelistic programs was cited. We recommend that: (a) The pastor using a conference evangelist should see to it that he and Wabvuwi, Rukwadzano, and M.Y.F. all plan carefully and prayerfully so that all Christians in a circuit are mobilized to aid the evangelist. This matter should be discussed at pastor's school and the Ministers' Round Table.

(b) Pastors should work with the District Superintendents as to the means of evangelism in the district and or circuit. Adequate preparation be made for these meetings.

(c) Revival meetings should be held in local churches, in addition to the camp meetings, and planned campaigns of the evangelistic teams.

6. We recommend occasional changes of pulpits between all pastors and commend those who already follow this practice. Students from Epworth are also available for this type of service.

7. We recommend that the Rhodesia Annual Conference undertake the challenge of 10% increase in church membership as requested by the January Consultation.

8. We request the Conference Secretary of Evangelism to study the causes of fluctuation in church membership.

9. The report of the Mt. Darwin March 25 to 29 evangelistic trip was given. Rev. Chiza and some Epworth students reached Chief Katewera's home after a very difficult and hazardous trip. The Chief was very happy to see them. He said he had been very much wanting us to come and begin work. Roman Catholics were considering work there but he felt what we had to offer, spiritually and materially, was much greater. He said that he would do all in his power to open the door and make possible our work there. We request the Bishop and Cabinet appoint a man to this work. (Referred to the district superintendent of the Mtoko-Nyadiri District for presentation to the Inter-Church Relations and Church-Union Committee).

10. Rev. Chiza reported that the American Board is interested in a possible merger with our church, but he said they urged us to first get our own Methodists together. (Referred to the District Superintendent of the Mtoko-Nyadiri District for presentation to the Inter-Church Relations and Church-Union Committee).

11. The Cheza work possibilities and similar cases were discussed in the light of comity agreements. In reference to the comity arrangements the Synod, it was voted that we be free to preach anywhere we wish and that they have the same privilege. (Referred to the District Superintendent of the Mtoko-Nyadiri District for presentation to the Inter-Church Relations and Church Union Committee).

12.(a) That our Conference draft a statement to the Board of Missions in New York indicating that we look with favor on the proposals concerning Bechuanaland already submitted to the board, that we approve of them in principle and that we urge the board to continue negotiations leading to a speedy initiation of cooperative work with the L.M.S. in Bechuanaland.

(b) That we establish a board or committee to function together with that already established by the L.M.S. to act for and on the behalf of our respective boards in this regard.

(c) That our conference send a missionary to work with L.M.S. in Bechuanaland when personnel and funds are available.

C. REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF EVANGELISM AND NGARIENDE

Acting on suggestions made by the district superintendents and the conference secretary of evangelism, the Board of Evangelism recommends that the present Board of Evangelism and Ngariende be merged into a Conference Board of Missions and Evangelism, to be known as Ngariende.

Its *duties* would be:

(a) To plan and promote the evangelistic mission and programmes of the church.

(b) To budget and distribute funds made available for evangelistic and mission purposes.

(c) To solicit funds locally for these purposes.

(d) To survey needs and opportunities for work in new areas.

(e) To receive requests for assistance for new work in established areas.

Organization:

(a) Membership of the Board to be 12, plus the district superintendents.

(b) The board to have a small executive, which is to include one district superintendent in its membership.

(c) The board is to have a full-time executive secretary, appointed by the Bishop.

Finance

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 43, 83)



Mr. I. Musamba

1. Nomination of Conference Treasurer and recommendations to aid the financial program. (a) Mr. I. Musamba was nominated to be Conference Treasurer for the next four years. (b) *Good Stewardship*: It is recommended that the individual district organize teams which will go out teaching people about stewardship. (c) *Tithing*: It is recommended that the system adopted by the Board of Lay Activities on Jan. 6 be followed.

2. Recommendations to the C.O.C. at January meeting for immediate consideration. (a) to deduct 2% of all work budgets commencing with fourth quarter in order to pay back salary of ministers. (b) to deduct 25% from missionary grant earning pool as of 1 January for the same purpose.

3. It is requested that all districts and circuits submit to the conference treasurer any special offering received for back salaries.

4. It is recommended at the 1964-65 assessments be approved as follows:

ASSESSMENTS	1963-64	1964-65
1. Episcopal Fund (2%)	£ 300	£ 300
2. General Conference	20	20
3. Adm. Fund Annual Conference and Conference Treasurer	135	125
4. Central Conference	125	125
5. Conference Secretary	35	30
6. Moving Ministers	300	300
7. Pension Fund from Church	300	360
8. Payment of C.O.C. Loan	500	300
9. Travel of Conference Ministers	150	150
10. Travel of Conference Lay Leader	20	20
11. Travel of Fraternal Delegates	30	30
12. Salaries of District Superin'dents	840	906
13. All-Africa Conference of Churches	50	50
	£2755	£2716

5. Pension. All ministers appointed as teachers of O.U.B.I., Epworth, Chaplains, or others having salaries paid from sources other than a circuit should have the portion of pension otherwise covered by assessments paid from the units of work under which they are employed.

6. In the light of the Consultation report, we recommend that the district pooling system be ended and be replaced by a circuit system of finance beginning 1st July, 1964. The finance committee has asked the superintendents to present a simple plan of implementing the circuit system.

7. A gift of £34-16-6 from missionaries has been given to help retired ministers to travel to annual conference.

8. MINISTERIAL SUPPORT. If a circuit wants to have a pastor, this privilege also means responsibility such as providing adequate salary and housing for the pastor. The support provided by the circuit is to be determined each year by the circuit and district superintendent, keeping in mind the minimum salary scale and

also remembering and even encouraging to pay higher than the basic salary. However, if a circuit should fail repeatedly to give its share of church support, the circuit may lose the privilege of having a pastor.

There are basically two sources of income to meet church support. (a) Local support (b) Conference Finance Committee channeling its assistance through the district superintendents. (The Conference Finance Committee receives its funds from both overseas and Board of Home Missions and Evangelism, when organized, of the Rhodesia Annual Conference).

The conference is also reminded that if the conference expects the circuits to meet their financial responsibility, then the conference must respect more the voice of the circuit in the appointment of pastors through the use of the pastoral relations committee. Further study, we realize, must be given to deal with the problem of circuits and their failure to raise their budgets.

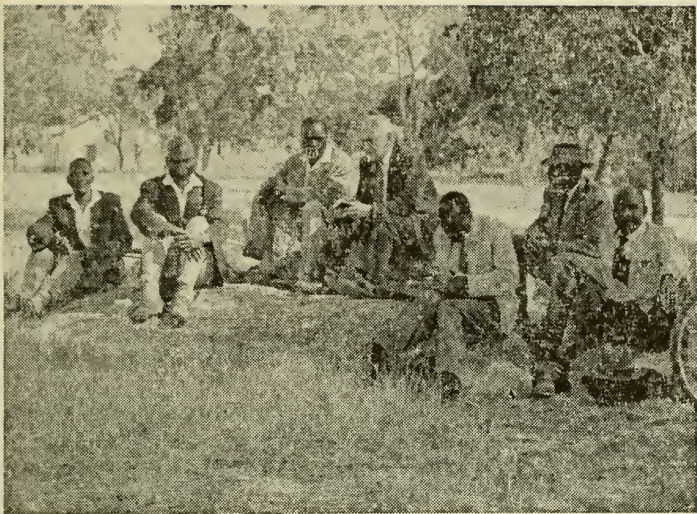
It is the intention of the Board of Lay Activities to consider the matter of what is the minimum salary for pastors. Although not at this Conference, they may bring in a new recommendation at a later time. For the present, we remind the Conference of the existing minister's salary scale.

The Ministers' Salary scale was set by the Annual Conference in 1961 and took effect January, 1962 as follows:

"Ministers' starting salary as £20.0.0 with 10/0 increment per service year. Ministers with 20 years of service should receive a minimum salary of £30.0.0 a month. For example, a minister of ten years service should receive a minimum of £25.0.0 a month. This means a minister of ten years service should receive this amount regardless of where he is working. If a circuit is fully self-supporting, that is, paying for the minister themselves and their share of conference assessments, then they have a privilege of raising their minister's salary above the minimum."

Historical Society
(Daily Proceedings No. 54)

The Methodist Historical Society, as required by the Discipline of the Methodist Church, was organized in



Rev. Ernest Sells visits with men he has known for 30 years. They came from the church which bears his name.

1944. Those interested at that time constituted the membership and met once a year for business. A committee functioned between meetings. Through the years and with the retirement of so many of the older ministers and missionaries, interest was lost, and the burden of maintaining the society and preserving the materials accumulated, was borne by a few people. It has been a struggle to keep alive the society, and there has been very little response from the conference.

The one problem has been to find a suitable available room for the Archives. We have shifted the materials for storage from place to place. At last, through courtesy of Old Umtali Biblical Institute we have been allocated facilities for the Archives, and the privilege to establish research opportunities. For this we are grateful. The use and care of the materials will be administered by the Old Umtali Biblical Institute.

We hope that the new Historical Committee will vigorously continue the work. The time is almost too late to preserve and secure information concerning the past. Let us all pledge ourselves to not only honour

the past, but give consideration to the request in the Discipline, namely; (Paragraph 663) "In each annual Conference *there shall be a Historical Society*, to be appointed or elected in whatever manner the Conference may decide, whose duties it shall be to preserve the records of the Conference, gather all data referring to its organization, its past history, its former members, and to collect all data of interest from elderly persons and to preserve these for future generations, together with a record of current items of importance and to keep before the minds of our people the glorious deeds of the heroes of the past."

We urge that copies of the minutes of organizations, printed materials and pictures be regularly sent to the Archives.

The materials in the archives will be classified into sections relating to personnel, work, and achievements. They will be available for research and information.

The Society belongs to the conference and the least that we can do is to show an interest in its existence and effectiveness.

As I leave in September my one wish is that those who have gone before me may never be forgotten. They will continue to be remembered by the people that they have so well served. —E. L. Sells

Lay Activities

(Daily Proceedings No. 67)

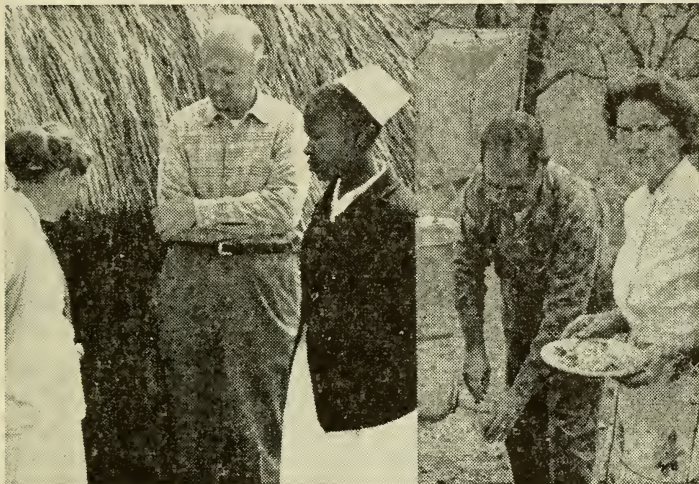
The Board of Lay Activities at its meeting in January, 1964, at Old Umtali Centre made the following recommendations:

1. In order to have a self-supporting church we recommend that all laymen, laywomen and ministers start tithing now. To facilitate this we encourage those who choose this method to use the stop order method. This applies to salaried people.

2. We reaffirm Item 12 of the 1963 Schools committee report. In selecting students we feel first priority should be given to students who are the product of our Methodist schools, and second priority be given to Methodist students who come from outside. Non-

Methodist children who have not graduated from our Methodist schools shall be accepted only if their own denomination has no secondary school.

Medical Activities
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At Shapuri Clinic, Dr. Rosalie Johnson checks with Rev. Hunter Griffin and Nurse Victoria Mugodi. Rev. and Mrs. Ovid Stine are shown "camping out."

1. We recommend that a medical representative be on the Conference Board of Finance and Coordination, and that medical personnel be represented on the cabinet so that advice may be obtained on all medical appointments, and other appointments involving medical and emotional problems. (Referred to the Committee to Study Conference Reorganization).

2. We recommend that all medical facilities in the conference follow the same wage scale in so far as possible.

3. Our Methodist hospitals are concerned to give each patient the best possible care. A procedure of treatment has been drawn up at Nyadiri requesting that all patients follow the same procedure without

deviation or special requests, so that the hospital staff will be able to take good care of the entire patient load.

4. The urgent need for an S.R.N. at Mutambara was presented.

5. A project for developing radio communications in Nyadiri district for tent clinics is being planned.

6. A request has been made and permission granted to establish a community clinic at Arnoldine, under the direction of Mrs. N. Thomas. This clinic has now been established and a nursing orderly employed. A building is under construction.

7. We approve the idea or plan given for the extension at Old Umtali to begin in February. The present personnel will visit clinics at St. Swithens, a 100 acre site; and at Nyamaropa Irrigation project. This project has made a request for support from the Ngariende and Rukwadzano. Later clinics may be built and nursing orderlies employed.

8. We recommend that each station executive set aside a site for a dental clinic, where equipment can be kept ready for use.

9. It was suggested that the work of the Old Umtali Medical Association be investigated with a report on its activity, and consider if it should be revived.

10. We recommend that the Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference work out a uniform method of reporting medical statistics.

11. We refer the matter of pension for retired personnel to the Lay Pensions Committee of Conference, to devise a uniform plan for all personnel who retired prior to the present pension plans. (A letter was sent to Mr. Musamba and Rev. Kawadza).

12. The Nyadiri Hospital has no further plans for expansion, other than improving its present facilities.

It is generally felt that the Nyadiri-Mtoko district should expand its medical services. Such expansion would entail the assigning of a doctor and sister, plus some nursing orderlies, with the purpose of starting a small (30-40 bed) hospital, at a place not yet determined.

The district work, with its present staff, cannot plan on much further expansion. We now have 8 clinics and plans going forward for two more to be established.

13. Nyadiri Nursing School. It is impossible for us to meet the requirements for higher nurses training as now set by the Government Medical Council. Therefore, our present policy is to improve or raise standards in the medical assistants' course as much as possible, and we ask conference to send a memorial to the Rhodesia Christian Conference, with the hope that a united effort will be made to secure a change in the Medical Council requirements, to those which we believe, will more nearly meet the present needs of the African people.

14. Mtoko Leper Colony. We accept in principle the idea of taking over the care of the leper colony at Mtoko, and that we do this work on trial for a year, while close investigations are being made as to conditions of treatment, government grants, possible expenditure for our church, etc.

Memorials

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 65, 84)

A. ORGANIZATION and STRUCTURE

"As conditions in the five Annual Conferences differ considerably with regard to political status, governmental policies on education, medical work, etc., we ask that each Annual Conference be given the expressed right to interpret and implement the sections that deal with organization and structure as the local situation may deem necessary in the African Central Conference *Discipline*.

B. CHANGE OF CONFERENCE NAME

In the interest of the effective impact of our witness through the Church in this country, and knowing that the name of our church has a connotation that is both confusing, misleading, and alienates the majority people of this country, we therefore ask the Central Conference to authorize the Rhodesia Annual Conference to change its name to "The Methodist Church in Zimbabwe" whenever time is ripe so to do.

C. PUBLICATIONS

We preface our request with two statements:

1. We express our deep appreciation to the Central Mission Press in Johannesburg for its co-operation, and for the quality of its work done for us throughout the entire quadrennium and earlier.

2. We bring the news that our new Rhodesia Mission Press building, constructed by our Board of Publications (now called Board of Communications) should be finished this month.

It houses our diversified printing equipment, most of which has been bought with local funds. (With this memorial we show experimental four-colour printing samples from the press to demonstrate its potential). We feel that we should use what we have in good Christian stewardship.

Therefore, the Rhodesia Annual Conference memorializes the Africa Central Conference for the freedom to use and to develop our facilities as seems best for our local needs. We ask for the privilege for our Board of Communications of receiving quotations on the printing of all books over 24 pages from Central Mission Press, Rhodesian Christian Press, (religious publishers in Bulawayo), Rhodesia Mission Press, and other printing firms as it seems wise.

D. BOARD OF THE MINISTRY

Report of the committee on proposed changes in the Central Conference discipline, section on the Ministry. (With notes also on proposed corrections to the Conference Journal on matters relating to the ministry).

I. *Introductory Note.* Most of the changes that we propose here are related to Admission on Trial and/or Full Connection, ordination to deacon's and/or elder's orders, and the requirements involved therein.

Particularly is this true of the academic requirements set. In essence, what we are proposing is that;

a) For the Approved Supply ministry: Pastors or other workers in this category shall be required to pass the approved supply pastors' course, or its equivalent. (In Rhodesia graduation from O.U.B.I. shall be considered its equivalent).

b) For the Travelling Ministry in Full Connection: Ministers in this category shall have successfully completed the conference course of study, or its equivalent. (Graduation from Epworth Theological College in Rhodesia, shall be considered its equivalent).

Ordination as deacon is open to those who, having the necessary recommendations and approval:

a) Have been local preachers for at least four years and have passed the approved supply pastors course, or its equivalent. (i.e., O.U.B.I.) This category would normally cover O.U.B.I. graduates and other approved supply pastors who have completed the approved supply pastors course. It should be noted also that these men, having been ordained deacons, may be permitted, under our proposed revision of No. 259, to serve the sacraments.

b) To graduates of Epworth. (In Rhodesia, or its equivalent in other conferences).

Acceptance on Trial is open:

a) To graduates of Epworth (or similar institution).

b) In the case of those taking the conference course of study to those who have completed the Studies of the First Year and the Studies of the Second Year. (Which normally would be four years after beginning the course). This is to permit our approved supply pastors who are taking the long eight year course of study to be taken into full connection immediately on completion of the course rather than having to wait an additional two or more years.

Acceptance into Full Connection is open to:

a) Those who have been on trial for at least two years while taking the Conference Course of Study, and who have satisfactorily completed this course.

b) Those who have been on trial for two years subsequent to their graduation from Epworth, or similar institution.

Ordination as Elder is open to those who have been full members of the Annual Conference for two years, by whatever means. It is also open to others under certain circumstances which would not be normally encountered.

Note: In this new set of proposals, the phrases

“Studies of the First Year, Studies of the Second Year,” etc. apply to academic progress, and not to the passage of a period of probation. Once full membership has been achieved in an annual conference, these terms are no longer applied to a minister, as previously.

II. *Suggested Revisions to the Discipline.*

(Numbers refer to paragraphs)

†212, †213, †214, †215. Omit. It is suggested that the office of exhorter be incorporated into that of local preacher. These paragraphs would then be dropped.

†217 (1) Change to read: “He has been a class leader in good standing for the previous two years.”

†501. Change first sentence to read: “Each person who desires to enter the Christian ministry should begin by being a Class Leader, and . . . etc.”

Section I. Omit.

Section II (b). Omit.

Section II (c) Change to read, “The candidate must have been a class leader in good standing for the previous two years.”

†244. Change to read, “An approved supply pastor is a local preacher, ordained or unordained, who is given a pastoral charge or other conference appointment by arrangement of the annual conference with the district superintendent.”

†225. Last paragraph. Change to read, “An approved supply pastor must take the approved supply pastors’ course, or its equivalent.”

†231. Delete the phrase, “give to the annual or provisional annual conference satisfactory evidence of his knowledge of the studies prescribed for candidates for reception on trial” and substitute in its place: “have satisfactorily completed the Studies of the First Year, the Studies of the Second Year and the Studies of the Third Year of the conference course of study, or have graduated from Epworth Theological College or similar institution of accepted standing.”

†234. Delete this entire section and substitute to read: “A preacher on trial who has satisfactorily completed the conference course of study or its equivalent, who has been appointed in the regular itinerant work

on a pastoral charge or as an instructor in one of our institutions of learning, or has been under other appointment, for two successive years from the time he was received on trial, and who has been elected to deacon's orders may be admitted in Full Connection in the Annual Conference after the examination before the Conference prescribed in †236." (Note: Graduation from Epworth Theological College or an equivalent theological course is construed to be the equivalent of the conference course of study).

†241. Delete and substitute the words: "No pastor shall discontinue a preaching place in the interval between sessions of the annual conference without the consent of the quarterly conference and the district superintendent. (Note: This conforms with the General Discipline †354).

†252, †253. Omit the phrase "Committee on Conference Relations" where it appears in these two paragraphs and substitute "Conference Board on the Ministry."

†259. Delete sub-paragraph (2) added in 1960, and add as follows: ". . . provided further that a deacon may be authorized by the Bishop on the recommendation of the Board of the Ministry to administer the Lord's Supper in the charge to which he is appointed."

†260. Amend as follows: 1. (c) to read: "shall have completed, satisfactorily to the annual conference, the studies prescribed for the approved supply pastors' course, or its equivalent." 2. "Those who have completed a prescribed course of study in an approved theological school, and have been received on trial."

†263. Amend as follows: Change the position of 2. and make it 1. Omit section (c). (Since this requirement will already have been covered by section (a).) 1. has now become 2. Section (c) shall read, "have completed, satisfactorily to the annual conference, the conf. course of study or its equivalent. 3. shall be omitted. 4. becomes 3.

†265.1. Last sentence. Omit "provided they pass an approved examination in the course of study prescribed for Local Preachers" and the approved supply pastors' course.

†375. *Disciplinary Questions.* (Pages 166, 167) To be amended as follows: 9. Who are the approved supply pastors? (a) Taking the approved supply pastors' course? (b) As graduates of the approved supply pastors' course or its equivalent? 11. Change to read: "Who are recommended to take the conference course of study?" 12. Who remains in the conference course of study? (a) In the studies of the first year? (b) In the studies of the second year? (c) In the studies of the third year? (d) In the studies of the fourth year? 14. Who are received on trial? 15. Who on trial are discontinued? 16. Who are admitted into full connection? 17. Who have been elected and ordained deacons? (a) As local preachers? (b) As members on trial? 18. Who remain deacons? 19. Who have been elected and ordained elders? (a) As local preachers? (b) As Conference members? (The rest of the disciplinary questions pertaining to the ministry remain the same.)

†507. Section III. Approved supply pastors. Sub-section (c). Omit present sentence and substitute: "The approved supply pastor must take the approved supply pastors' course, or its equivalent." Section V. Sub-section (a) 3. Change to read: "Completion of the approved supply pastors' course, or its equivalent." Section V. Sub-section (b) 3. Change to read, "Completion of the Conference Course of Study." Section VI Sub-section (b) Delete the present sub-section, and substitute as follows: "The candidate must have completed the approved supply pastors' course or its equivalent as determined by the Board of the Ministry. The approved supply pastors' course (textbooks and details) shall be specified by the Annual Conference Boards of Ministry." (from here on to the end of the sub-section, read as given on p. 197, but delete the parenthesis suggesting Edward's book). At the end of the sub-section add the note: "Note: This course is generally to be taken over a period of two years."

The Committee noted that there were not any statements in the Central Conference Discipline relating to the term of tenure of the episcopacy, and felt that such a statement should be included.

There is also no statement in the Central Conference Discipline on Deaconesses, which statement should be formulated and included.

III. Corrections Necessary for the Conference Journal on Matters Relating to the Ministry.

p. 130. The "Studies for the First Year" as listed are, in matter of fact, only the first half of the Studies for the First Year. The second half of the Studies for the First Year are as follows:

CONFERENCE COURSE OF STUDY

Unless courses taken in Schools of Theology approved by the Annual Conference are accepted as substitutes in whole or in part for the following courses, they are to be taught over a period of eight years, and in no case shall a resident remain in the course of study for more than 12 years.

I. STUDIES OF THE FIRST YEAR

A. First Half

1. Life of Christ in the Gospels.
 - a. Read the four Gospels.
 - b. Construct an outline of the life of Christ.
 - c. Write an essay of 1000 words on some part of Christ's life.
2. History of the Church to 500 A.D. Read *Beginning from Jerusalem* by John Foster, pages 1-34. Examination.
3. Homiletics.
Read *Muparidzi* by M. Chiza.
Prepare two sermons: (1) Repentance, (2) Justification by Faith.
4. General.
 - a. Read *The Bible, Its Meaning and Purpose*, by E. W. Grant.
 - b. Read *The Divine Art of Soul Winning*, by Oswald Sanders.
 - c. Learn how to use a Bible Concordance. *The Topical Bible Concordance* is recommended.

B. Second Half

1. History of the Church 600-1700 A.D.
Read Foster, *Beginning at Jerusalem*, pages, 35-94.
2. Wesley and his message. Read Reginald Kissing, *Spotlight on John Wesley*.
3. *Central Conference Discipline*. Read the sections on The Local Church, Judicial Administration, Ritual.

4. A Devotional Study. Read and use Lyman Coleman's *Do It Yourself in Devotions*.
5. A New Testament Survey. Read A. W. Banks, *Christ and His Church*.

Details regarding the studies of the second, third and fourth years will be published as necessary.

THE APPROVED SUPPLY PASTORS' COURSE

A. First Year

1. Bible Survey. Text. *The Bible, Its Meaning and Purpose*, by E. W. Grant.
2. Homiletics. Text: *Rutungamiro ku Muparidzi* by M. Chiza. Prepare three sermon outlines.
3. Evangelism. Text: *The Divine Art of Soul Winning*, by J. Oswald Sanders.

B. Second Year

1. *Central Conference Discipline*. Study the 25 Articles, the General Rules, the section on The Ministry.
2. Old Testament Survey. Texts. Forrest and Makuzwa, *Zvidzidzo Zve Testamente Yekare*. Patchett, *Old Testament History*.
3. A Devotional Study. Text: *An Adventure in Prayer* by Ben C. Johnson.

The studies for the second, third and fourth years will be supplied as necessary.

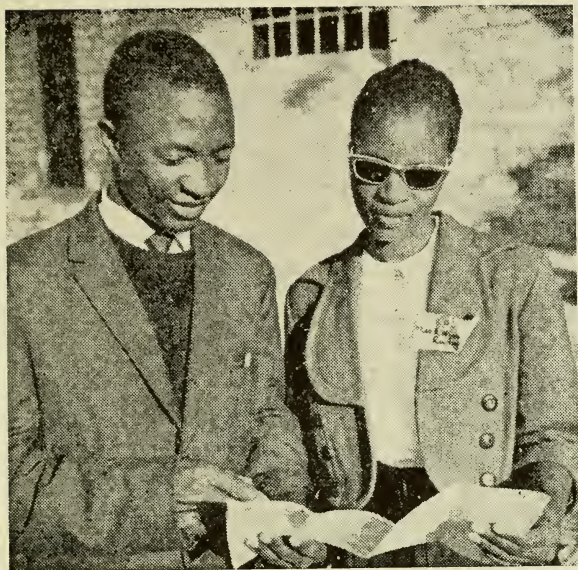
In addition to the changes that would be required to the disciplinary questions as they appear in the Journal as a result of other changes suggested in this Report, it should be noted that under B10, N. Muskwe and D. Chipaumire are not taking the Conference Course of Study, but rather the Approved Supply Pastors' Course.

—L. Bomquist, M. Chiza, M. Murphree

Methodist Youth Fellowship (M.Y.F.)

(Daily Proceedings No. 46)

1. We recommend that in each circuit, at least, one M.Y.F. Circuit Conference be held each year, and that each person attending M.Y.F. shall contribute 1/- (one shilling) a year. This money shall be brought to the circuit treasurer to pay the annual



Lazarus Jaji and Rezen Nyamapfene represented the MYF as Conference president and treasurer, respectively.

dues of each local M.Y.F. in the circuit, and for the expenses of delegates to the annual conference if the circuit still lacks sufficient money. Each local M.Y.F. shall contribute an equal share to meet the budget of this circuit.

2. We recommend that the Conference Director of Youth Work (or) Conference Director of Christian Education shall be the Conference M.Y.F. adviser. Two other advisers shall be chosen by the M.Y.F. Annual Conference to assist him.

3. We recommend that on church centres the M.Y.F. may consist of two groups so that older youth (post six students) may adapt a different programme from that of the younger youth (primary students). (a) Each M.Y.F. group shall elect its own officers (president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer) and shall have its own advisers. (b) The officers and advisers at these stations together with the pastors, shall form the

M.Y.F. councils to plan the programmes of the M.Y.F. and how the M.Y.F. groups shall work together. The president of the post-six groups shall be the chairman of these M.Y.F. councils. (c) The post-six M.Y.F. may affiliate with the Southern Rhodesia Student Christian Movement (S.C.M.), but they shall remain members of the M.Y.F. (d) The post-six M.Y.F. shall prepare their programme using both M.Y.F. and S.C.M. programme helps.

4. We recommend that there be a musical group approved by the annual conference to demonstrate in all areas of the conference the capacity for worship within African hymns and rhythms, as well as western rhythms. (Referred to Worship and Music Committee).

5. We recommend that a reason be provided by both the pastor and circuit president for the failure of the delegate to attend the M.Y.F. annual conference.

6. We recommend that any one who has been a member of the M.Y.F. may continue to do so after the age of 30 years if he or she is still unmarried.

7. The place of the 1965 M.Y.F. annual conference is Nyadiri Methodist Centre.

Ministry

(Daily Proceedings No. 34)

A high privilege and responsibility is given to the Board of the Ministry in its work with those who have been set apart for this special service. Together we strive to be "good ministers of Jesus Christ." The Board is grateful to God for an increasing response to His call, and to those now faithfully engaged in this ministry.

1. **ACTIVITIES:** Three times during the year the Board has met. Different individuals were assigned specific responsibilities, such as research study, service records, recruitment procedure, etc. Financial assistance was given to ministers for their children's education in January as usual. Three approved supply pastors and four ministers were recommended for J.C. or G.C.E. scholarships. Wives of seven Epworth students were also given scholarships, and the name of Rev. E. Matongo was recommended for a World Council of Churches' scholarship through the Southern

Rhodesia Christian Council. We are happy to have Rev. Abel T. Muzorewa return from overseas study and take a Conference appointment. He received his B.A. from Central College, Fayette, Missouri, and his M.A. from Scarritt College, Nashville, Tennessee.

2. PASTOR'S SCHOOL: For the first time, Pastor's School was held at Epworth Theological College with Rev. L. Bromquist as dean. Speakers included Bishop Alton of Wisconsin and Dr. J.T. Seamands of Asbury Theological Seminary. Several workshops on evangelism, Christian education, and stewardship were conducted. For the 1964 school, Rev. M. Chiza is to be dean, assisted by a committee of two, Rev. P. Nyamukapa and one pastor elected by the ministers. The Pastor's School will be held at Old Umtali Biblical Institute October 13-20, and will include a trip to Fort Victoria and Salisbury Area.

3. PERSONAL RECORD FORM: It is the responsibility of a minister to give to the registrar of the board the completed form of his ministerial record.

4. TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP: Three ministers have requested the Bishop to transfer their Conference membership to Rhodesia: Milton L. Kalso from the Pacific Northwest Conference, John E. Kaemmer from the South-East Africa Conference, and Coriless Hanson from the Angola Conference.

5. COURSES OF STUDY: The directors of the conference courses of study are the Revs. M. Murphree and M. Chiza. Books are assigned for certain subjects and examinations are held. Those taking courses of study at present include D. Chipaumire, N. Muskwe, J. Makande, K. Mhandu, J. Masenda, and J. Makuto.

6. MINISTERS' LIBRARY COMMITTEE: This committee, composed of Rev. M. Chiza, Rev. O. Stine and Bishop Dodge, were asked to send copies of the JOURNAL and the DISCIPLINE to our Epworth students. Copies of the new GENERAL DISCIPLINE are to be sent to all ministers when available. Other reading material has already been sent this year.

7. PART-TIME MINISTRY: This question is being studied and investigated by Rev. K. Eriksson. Your suggestions should be directed to him.

8. VOLUNTARY LOCATION: At his own request, we recommend that Conference continue to grant study leave to John Nemaungwe, so that he may pursue his studies.

9. ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS: As there has been some question in regard to the right to administer the sacraments, the board is studying this matter and expects to make a recommendation later to conference which could be forwarded on to Central Conference.

10. MINISTERIAL SUPPORT: A joint meeting of the Boards of the Ministry and Lay Activities was held in January which agreed that "the only way to solve our Conference financial problems was to follow the Scriptural teaching on tithing." A moving service of dedication at the Old Umtali altar saw many people make this pledge or renewal to tithe. As requested, the conference treasurer reported on the amount of outstanding salaries. This information was passed on to the Committee on Coordination which approved the granting of £15,915 toward back-salaries for the time of conference and district pools, as well as subsidy for the coming conference years.

11. RETIREMENT AND PENSION: In order to plan ahead, the board reconsidered the time of retirement for a number of ministers as given in a list prepared by the Board of Conference Claimants in 1954. It is desired, wherever possible, to give advance notice of coming retirement. The Bishop was asked to send a letter to those expected to retire in the next few years, giving a suggested date, and this was done.

(a) We support the request of Rev. S. P. Kasambira for retirement and pension as of 1 January, 1964.

(b) We recommend the retirement of Rev. John Nduna at Conference, 1964, at his own request following his readmission after voluntary location in 1962.

(c) We support the request of Rev. Philemon Dube for retirement as of Conference, 1964, and ask Conference to ask the Board of Pensions to consider him and any others in like category whom we may recommend.

12. LOCAL PREACHERS' STUDIES: Director of these studies for the conference is Rev. H. Griffin. A report by a sub-committee on the prescribed courses of study is to be presented.

13. PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION TO MINISTERIAL TRAINING: A brochure outlining the steps to the Methodist ministry is being prepared by Rev. K. Eriksson. At present, candidates for Epworth should correspond with Rev. Eriksson, who will administer an entrance examination together with Rev. M. Chiza, which is to assess general academic ability and Biblical knowledge. The principal of Old Umtali Biblical Institute will do the same for candidates there. For O.U.B.I. a candidate must have a 50% pass on the entrance exam, and it is emphasized again that this training is for laymen, and graduates may or may not be given an appointment. All candidates for both schools must be interviewed personally by the board before final approval can be given.

14. REPORT FROM OLD UMTALI BIBLICAL INSTITUTE: The new principal is Rev. H. Griffin who succeeded Rev. R. Forrest. There are a total of 11 students plus the two young ladies who were returned for an additional year of study under Mrs. Griffin's direction. Four new students were enrolled from Conference this year. Two will graduate in December. Each term one member of the staff is to do extension work in either the Conference or the Synod area.

15. REPORT FROM EPWORTH THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE: Rev. K. Eriksson is acting principal of the college, following the leave of Rev. Fred Rea. The largest number of graduates ever in a single year will be receiving conference appointments this December. Seven young men and their families will enter the full-time Christian ministry, and we welcome them to the Lord's vineyard. Three new men were enrolled this year. Those who wish to take the course should have at least a junior certificate.

More candidates with Cambridge or G.C.E. are wanted to take the A-stream.

16. We recommend to Conference that we make use of our privilege of having two representatives on the

Theological Committee of the Central Africa Diploma Course, and that the Board of the Ministry be authorized to name these two representatives.

Ngariende

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April 24—1963 to April 11—1964

PAID IN

	1962	Cash Balance.....	56-15- 5
April 24,		Mutambara Centre.....	7-13- 9½
" 24,		Nyanyadzi	1-10- 0
" 24,		Umtali Hill Top Church.....	7- 3- 4
" 25,		Gandanzara Circuit.....	4- 0- 0
" 25,		Nyadiri East Circuit.....	1- 5- 4
" 25,		Zimunya South Circuit.....	1-18- 1½
" 25,		Nyadiri Centre.....	9-17- 4
" 25,		Uzumba Circuit.....	1-10-10
" 25,		Mutambara East Circuit.....	1-14- 0
" 26,		Mtoko East Circuit.....	11- 4½
" 26,		Pfungwe Circuit.....	16 4
" 29,		Penhalonga Circuit	2- 0 0
July 30,		Mtoko North Circuit	5- 0- 0
" 30,		Harare Church	3- 3- 4
Nov. 12,		Mrewa West Circuit	1- 0- 0
" 12,		Mrewa Centre.....	4- 1- 0
" 12,		Waby wi Conv. North.....	3- 4- 0
Dec. 10,		Old Umtali Church	25 0- 0
Mar. 8,	1963	Mrewa East Circuit	1- 3- 0
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March	63	Chikore—Tanda.....	1- 0- 0
" 22,		Bulawayo.....	1- 6- 0
July 22,		Chiduku Circuit.....	1- 0- 0
Sept. 24,		Old Umtali Church	6-16 2
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May 5,		Mutambara Ngariende Service.....	16- 5
May 5,		Chiduku South Circuit	5- 0
Nov. 11,		Edworth College Students.....	1- 7- 7½
Jan. 3,	64	Mrewa North Circuit.....	3- 0- 0
2/3 64,		Miss E Parks.....	1- 0- 0
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April	29	—	62	Mr. J. Makuto.....	20- 0- 0
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Aug.	1,		62	Rev. J. Makuto.....	10-10- 0
Nov.	12,		62	" "	8- 0- 0
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Came During Conference

May	14,	64	Gandanzara Church.....	6- 0- 0	
May	15,	64	Marange North Church.....	5- 2	
May	15,	64	Umtali Hill Top Church.....	11-0- 0	
May	15,	64	Mtoko North Church	7- 9	
May	15	64	Nyakatsapa Church.....	2-6- 8	
Total					£19-18-10

Pensions and Conference Claimants

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 31, 40, 60)

The committee recommends that these retired ministers receive an annual pension. (Since necessary information is not available here at Mrewa for computing the exact amounts to be received by each pastor, we ask that the names be approved without this information. The committee will work out the exact amounts with the conference treasurer and present this information to the Secretary of the Conference before the printing of the *Journal*.) The ministers to be approved are: Silas Kasambira, Moses M'parutsa, Jonathan Maramba, John Nduna.

The committee renews the recommendation of last year that Mrs. David Mandisodza receive the annual widow's pension effective from Jan., 1963. (Details of this must also be worked out later).

The committee recommends that pastors Philemon

Dube and Patrick Kanengoni be added to the list of accepted retired supply pastors receiving relief.

In view of the fact that funds for relief of accepted retired supply pastors will soon be exhausted, we recommend that the district conferences study this problem and present some possible solutions to this committee to facilitate the working out of a plan for presentation to the next annual conference.

RECEIPTS:

1. Balance from last year	331-14-9
2. Interest on investments	447 17-3
3. Pension Payments from Ministers	243-10-0
4. Pension from churches (62-64)	735- 0-0
5. Gift from Bishop Dodge	40-10-7
6. Fixed Dep. (Transfer from Umtali Bank)	862- 6-0
	<u>£2660-18-7</u>

EXPENDITURES

1. Standard Bank Fixed Dep.	1736-15-7
2. Obadiah Manjengwa (left Conf.)	15- 0 0
	<u>1751-15-7</u>

3. Pension to Retired Ministers and Widows of Ministers ($1\frac{1}{2}$ years)	
Philip Chieza	32- 5-0
Samuel Chieza	46-10-0
Josiah Chimbadzwa	32-10-0
Benjamin Katsidzira	32- 5-0
Hosea Katsidzira	37-10 0
Titus Marange	51- 0-0
Zachariah Mukombiwa	26- 5-0
Enoch Munjoma	34-10-0

Reginald Ngonyama	32- 5-0
Jackson Rugayo	34-10-0
Mrs. Lydia Darikwa	24- 3-9
Mrs. Mary Marange	22-10-0

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4. Relief to Accepted Retired Supply Pastors

Daniel Chitenderu	9- 0-0
Philemon Mazaiwana	9- 0-0
Silas Chitiyo	9- 0-0
Joshua Mutsago	9- 0 0
Joshua Chirikuwutsi	9- 0-0
Elisha Mvududu	9- 0-0
Jora Dangirwa	9- 0-0
Gilbert Rakabopa	9- 0-0
Moses Hunidzarira	9- 0 0
Jotham Risinamhodzi	9- 0-0
James Kaitano	9- 0-0
Isaiah Tsopotsa	9- 0-0
Thomas Kamusono	9- 0 0
Johnson Sachiti	9- 0-0
Samuel Matongo	9- 0-0
Peter Kanonuhwa	9- 0-0
Titus Katiyo	9- 0-0

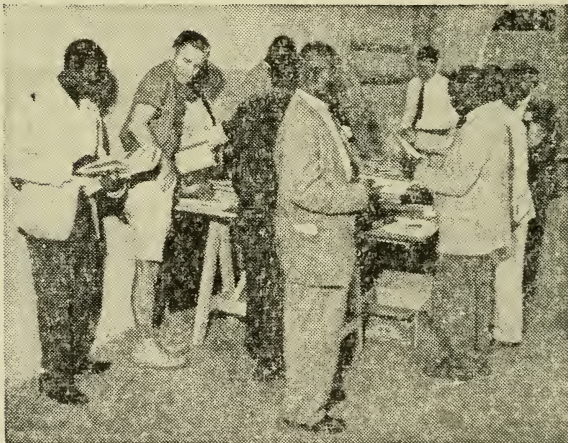
£153- 0-0

Total Receipts	2660-18-7
Total Expenditures	2310-19 4
Balance Carried Forward	349-19-3

TRIAL BALANCE:	Debits	Credits
Cash (Bank Balance)	349-19-3	
Board of Pensions (U.S.A)	600- 0-0	

Government Stocks	7603- 0-0	
Post Office Savings		
Certificates	2085- 0- 0	
Standard Bank Fixed Deps.	1736-15- 7	
Relief to Accepted Retired Supply Pastors	234-15- 0	
Interest	447-13- 3	
Ministers' Pension	11692- 6- 7	
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	12374-14-10	12374-14-10

Publications
(Daily Proceedings No. 59)



People bought many books at the Consultation book display.

We rejoice in our opportunity to help to spread the Word of God and the spiritual wisdom of men among the Methodist people of Rhodesia.

A. THE BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS had several personnel changes in 1963-64. Mr. Maxwell Beni went to Mrewa Secondary School as clerk. The Rev. Larry Eisenberg was appointed as Conference Director of Publications in October, replacing Mrs. Mary Phil

Higgs, who had resigned as Planning Editor, and Rev. C. Miller, who was working in distribution. Mr. Ever-son Chikwanha and Mr. Charles Mukudu joined the staff to work in distribution and art. Mr. Everett Matzigkeit continues as Press Manager, and Mr. Caleb Zisengwe and Mr. M. Njopera continue on the staff.

B. About June 1, Mr. Ezekiel Makunike returns from India, where he has been doing graduate study in journalism. The Board asks the cabinet that he may be appointed to the conference literature staff, and that housing be suggested for him at Old Umtali.

C. MISS DORIS HESS made a much-appreciated visit in October. She is the literature consultant of the Board of Missions in New York. She spent two weeks with us to help us develop our program of literature and literacy. She suggested that we look toward eventual location of at least some offices in Salisbury to work with other denominations and the Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference whole field of Christian communications. The Board of Publication appreciates this advisory relationship.

D. LITERACY SURVEY: We are cooperating with the Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference in a Rhodesia-wide survey on literature and literacy needs. We know that if our people cannot read, they cannot use our material or read the scriptures. The Rev. C. Thorpe, of British Methodism, heads the program. In September an important conference will be held in Ranche House, Salisbury, to review the findings and to make recommendations. Dr. Floyd Shacklock, of "Lit-Lit", New York, is coming. It is expected that a broad program to eliminate illiteracy (which is nearly 60% among adults in Rhodesia) will develop. Meanwhile, some of our women (such as Mrs. J. Chitombo, Mrs. M. Murphree, Mrs. F. Brancel, Mrs. L. Eisenberg and Miss M. Ball) are already busy at work in literacy using the Laubach method. We are grateful for the voluntary work done by Mrs. Helen Roberts and Miss Alice Sanderson. Mrs. Eisenberg also teaches English to some Indian women. We expect to move ahead in literacy in 1964. Rukwadzano has showed much interest.

E. POLICY IN LITERATURE. We are seeking

now to have material tied to program. This means that we expect the conference boards and other groups (such as Christian Education, Christian Home and Family Life, Evangelism, and other) to initiate with us the material they need published. This includes the use of the columns of UMBOWO. (Material may be duplicated, of course, without going through the Board of Publications). The Board takes bids on publications of over 24 pages.



Mr. Everett Matzigkeit measures during the construction of the new press building. Mr. Wallace Sithole of Nyamuzuwe was the contractor.

F. NEW PRESS BUILDING. Looking at our present crumbling press building, Miss Hess, Board Literature specialist, agreed with Bishop Dodge and Mr. Matzigkeit that a new building to protect present equipment was in order. Mr. Matzigkeit and Rev. Eisenberg went to Nyamuzuwe to get Mr. L. Hillendahl to draw plans. Mr. W. Sithole, of Nyamuzuwe, is contracting. The building should be ready in August or September.

G. CLOSING OF BOOKROOM. Because of the uncertain future for wholesale distribution of school

books which made up most of their business, British Methodists felt it necessary, because of the great expense of operating a bookstore, to close the Bookroom. We cabled Bishop Dodge of it and he responded with an offer of some financial assistance, but the decision had been made. While the Board of Publications has considered the idea, it does not plan at present to open a commercial bookstore anywhere.

H. DISTRIBUTION PLAN. 1. We are working with commercial bookstores now in Salisbury and Umtali. They have our books on their shelves. We hope to extend this to Rusape and, perhaps, to Marandellas.

2. We are hoping that our district school managers, with whom we have had meetings, will stock religious books regularly in their bookstores, and try to sell them to our people.

3. We ask our pastors, religious education men and evangelists to sell religious books to the people, using the new boxes designed by Mr. E. Chikwanha to carry material right along with them as they visit their churches. We also plan to have selected colporteurs.

4. We hope to have a good bookstore on each mission centre. Some now have them, and we are working toward operating one at Old Umtali. Also possibly one at Mtoko as a cooperative bookstore.

5. We offer to all our organizations like MYF, Vabvuwi, and Rukwadzano, the use of our facilities as a central source of supplies. This would include pins, badges, cards, and any other material. In this way all could be ordered from Methodist Literature, P.B. P7024, Umtali.

I. LITERATURE PRODUCED.

1. We have reprinted several of Bishop Dodge's "The Church and....." series.

2. EASY BOOKEEPING. This excellent book by Mrs. W. Kinyon, for local treasurers with their work, is ready.

3. SCRIPTURE CALENDARS in Shona for 1964, planned by Mrs. B. Higgs, with Miss I. Scovill doing the Shona. We sold over 3,000.

4. CLASS MEETING STUDY BOOK, produced by the Rev. N. Thomas.

5. BOOK III in the series, NYAYA DZE VAPWERE, produced by Mrs. Higgs.

6. NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS. We have cooperated by having the Press print some of them. Mr. Beni's services in translating and typing we pay for.

7. THE NEW TESTAMENT in Union Shona, in which Miss Scovill has been active for translating.

J. PUBLICATIONS IN PROCESS.

1. NGOMA. We have been very busy on it, with Mr. Chikwanha and David Samudzimu working on translations. The Music and Worship Committee plans to have the material ready for printing in August. In turn, we hope to have it printed and ready in time for the January, 1965, school term. About 25% of different material is included. Favorite songs will remain. Cost will be about 4/6.

2. UMBOWO, our Conference paper. The Board has set a new schedule of 8 times a year (about every six weeks) with each issue after August enlarged to 4 columns, and changing the name. There is a contest for the best name!

3. TWO CALENDARS FOR 1965 are planned:

a) From Epworth for promotion use overseas, in English.

b) In Shona, a Scripture calendar.

4. JOURNAL-YEARBOOK. We ask the conference for permission to cooperate with the established editors of the Journal to include other material such as to make it a useful handbook for any interested worker in the conference. The additional material would include a picture of annual conference, the cabinet, retired ministers, groups. Also such things as help in planning for the local church, where to write for scholarships, Sunday School material, books; names and telephone numbers. We plan to print 500 instead of the 200 of this year and sell them for 6/.

5. BOOKLET FOR NEW CONVERTS. The Rev. M. Murphree has completed a new booklet for new Christians. It has not been printed. It will be printed in Marion, Wisconsin, by Mr. Francis Byers in his print

ing plant as a contribution to our mission. His MYF will help, and the Marion Plywood Company will pack the copies for shipment.

6. BOOK OF RITUAL. Dr. Culver has only a few items to complete. Rev. Eriksson feels it should be ready soon.

7. "JESUS' ATTITUDE TOWARD WOMEN" by Miss Mildred Taylor, is scheduled for printing right away.

8. MRS. SELLS' "COOK BOOK" (Recipe Book) is in the final stage of translation by Mrs. E. Chikwanha.

9. "OUR GIFTS FOR CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH" by Dr. Culver, is also ready.

10. A BOOKLET ON THE LOCAL CHURCH is to be prepared by Rev. Eisenberg and Rev. T. Curtis, after Central Conference.

11. AFRICA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. You can order it direct or through us at 7/- a year.

K. POSSIBLE PUBLICATIONS

1. Booklet for young couples, just married, explaining Christian marriage.

2. MYF Handbook.

3. MYF Booklet of Choruses (new) has been suggested.

4. Class Meeting Record Book.

5. Booklet on Recreation.

6. Booklet of plays for local churches.

7. A booklet in "comic book" form (drawings) on the parables, by artist C. Mukudu.

8. Vadzimai Program Booklet.

9. Mrs. Roberts' new booklet on I. Corinthians 13. (Bible Study).

L. The new Board of Publications is to meet in September after Central Conference for getting regular business done; also to consider further training in writing for Rhodesia Methodists.

M. We request the cabinet to consider appointing a full-time person in the Conference in stewardship. We are conscious of this need because of the production of materials on stewardship.

N. Your suggestions for needed publications and for better ways of distribution will be most welcome. God does not speak only through the insights of a few people, but many. The making and distributing of Christian literature is an important Kingdom task. We feel humble and grateful to be charged with this responsibility. We ask your continued prayers that our work may be done well and acceptably to Him.

Resolutions

(Daily Proceedings No. 89)

We are grateful for the coming of Bishop and Mrs. Dodge to lead us in the 26th session of the Rhodesia Annual Conference. We are thankful for the cooperative spirit of those present at the Conference. We are grateful to the Congo Conference for allowing Rev. K. Enright to come to the session to bring our inspirational daily devotions. We are also thankful for the morning devotions led by our Bishop.

We appreciate the challenge concerning the opportunities for work in Bechuanaland brought to us by representatives of the L.M.S. who travelled more than 200 miles to greet us (Rev. A. E. Seager and Mr. B. Yane).

We are pleased to have our fraternal delegates from our Sister Church, Methodist Synod.

We rejoice at the return of our many friends, ministers and laymen after their studies overseas. We are glad to have delegates from General Conference return to us and inspire us with highlights of the conference. We were especially pleased to have so many of our retired ministers present at this conference guiding us with the wisdom of their experience. We hope those retiring this year—Rev. Kasambira, Rev. M. M'parutsa, Rev. J. Nduna, Rev. Maramba, and Rev. P. Dube—will continue to guide us likewise. We welcome our new missionaries as well as those returning since last Annual Conference. We also send in our prayers for those who leave us this year and are thankful for the effective work which they have done.

We thank the Mrewa Church for their arrangements as hosts of the Conference.

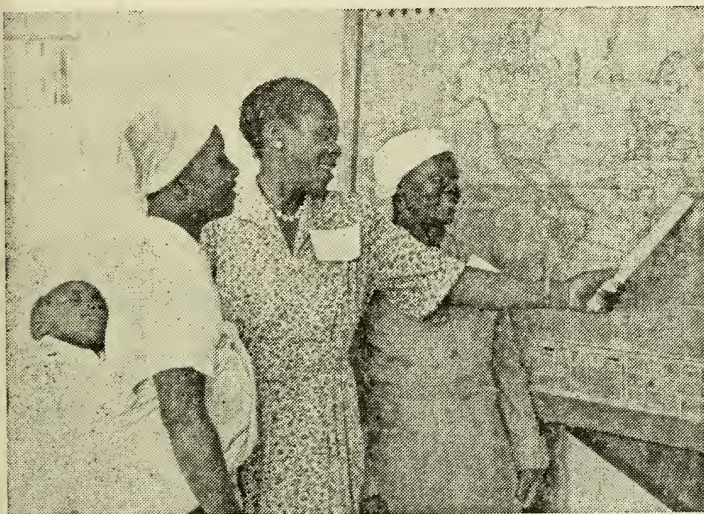
We thank the Crusader's Quartet for their inspirational songs which added much to our worship. We

also thank other singing groups for their songs, especially the Harare Church choir and the Nyamashato choir.

We are thankful for the opportunity to help the Mtoko leper colony.

We express our appreciation for the interest in and attendance at the Conference by Chief Mangwende.

Rukwadzano rwe Wadzimai (Daily Proceedings No. 13)



Mai W. Mandisodza points to a place on the map for Mai E. Munjoma at Rukwadzano Training Institute, Old Umtali Biblical Institute.

A. NORTHERN SECTION

We give thanks to God who led the women's work. We held our annual meeting in Chief Majinha's area (Mtoko and Nyadiri). The Spirit gathered His people to come to worship. The Word of God worked as we went into private prayer groups. People were brought and some returned unto the Lord.

We were greatly honoured by our Bishop and Mrs. Dodge who presided at the meeting. The District Com-

missioner from Mtoko gave thanks for the invitation to come to speak to the women on divorce. The gathering thanked him and question time was given. This indeed helped us.

We gave financial help to the blind, lame and those in need; also to the triplets—up to £12.0.0.

We were glad to hear Rev. Muzorewa who had spent a number of years in America. He spoke to us. There were many missionary guests.

A missionary from Nyadiri Mission supplied the electrical power and a water purifier.

We thank Rev. Blomquist for the good camping site. We were the first to use it.

All preachers were inspired by God in delivering their messages.

Mrs. Mambuya, our delegate, spoke on the Southern section annual meeting. Delegates from the south were accompanied by their chairwoman, Mrs. E. Munjoma.

The rules of Rukwadzano were read in order to strengthen the women in love to their church and their families. The Lord's Supper Service was an inspirational one in which all women were united together by the Spirit.

Rukwadzano work in stations is as follows:

To bring people to church—30 were brought.

To give help to the needy—£38.19.2 and 11 bags were given.

The Bulawayo branch is progressing in seeking the lost and holding revivals.

B. SOUTHERN SECTION

Aim: "To serve Christ and others."

The annual meeting was held at Zimunya Reserve. The crowd was 500. God was with His people in the services and praying groups.

We were greatly honoured by the presence of some Missionaries, our Bishop, Mrs. Dodge and their daughter.

Chief Zimunya came to the services twice to commune with the crowd.

The local R.R.W. are being trained to teach the adults to read and write, and this is bringing our adults to a new world.

The World Day of Prayer was very helpful to many churches. At one R.R.W. World Day of Prayer they used three languages, English, Shona and Afrikaans.

C. JOINT SECTION (DUMBA)

The 6th joint Executive of R.R.W. was held at Mrewa with 66 members present. The following amount of money was paid for the following need:

£ 72 To the babyfolds at Nyadiri and Old Umtali.

£ 60 For 1/2 salary of evangelist in Area C.

£200 For local scholarships loan.

£300 For a loan to Arnoldine School.

£376 For the nurse's salary at Chikwizo.

We trust in the Lord to use us more and more. Rukwadzano thanks the retired missionaries who remember us even if they are at home. The seven R.R.W. dukus were sent to us by Miss Ramsey (Mrs. Charles Oresék) and we gave them to aged women.

Schools

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 38, 76)



Aggrey Kurewa teaches his class outdoors at the new Shapuri school.

In view of the rapid changes taking place in the school

system at this time, the Education Committee presents the following items for consideration by annual conference:

1. We recommend that paragraph 4 of the Education Committee report, p. 50, of the 1961 Annual Conference Journal be rescinded. This paragraph refers to the reconstitution of the School Planning Committee.

We recommend that the two regional planning committees be reconstituted with the following membership for each area:

1. The Educational Assistant
2. The District Superintendents
3. Principals of Post Primary Schools
4. Heads of Post Primary Schools
5. School managers of the area
6. One headteacher (primary) from each school district in the area.
7. One parent from each school district.

2. In view of the large number of Std. 3, Std. 6, and Form II completers, we urge the educational assistant to make a formal request to the M.A.E. that provision be made for more places for children in Std. 4, Form I, and Form III. (We are presently making a study of the problem of the high requirement for entry into Form V, and hope to have a recommendation soon from this study committee).

3. We approve of an annual conference of secondary school teachers for the purpose of fellowship and discussion of common problems.

4. We reaffirm our policy that the church put no monies into large scale capital investment in primary schools at the lower level, with the possible exception of Old Umtali where the situation demands the operation of a Mission lower primary school.

5. We ask that serious attention be given by the Christian Education Committee to the production of a Scripture scheme especially suitable for use in the lower primary classes of our Methodist schools.

6. Since principals, school managers, and heads of post-primary schools are often held responsible for information in the Conference Journal, we request that these persons be included in the distribution of the Journals. (They may purchase at 6/.)

7. Transfer of P.T.H. to Nyadiri: Noting the trend toward larger institutions which allow for a more thorough program of training using specialists in some areas of teacher training, we move that all P.T.H. training be located at Nyadiri beginning in January, 1965, with the understanding that there will be five classes in training and an establishment of seven staff members. This move will also provide room for expansion of the secondary school at Old Umtali into the present training school building.

8. We recommend that a rural secondary school be opened in Marange Reserve as soon as the Ministry of African Education gives permission to do so, and that plans to open a secondary school at Mutambara Centre get into operation for January, 1965, if possible.

Student Loan

(Daily Proceedings No. 55)

The financial records of the student loan committee indicate that the amount of overdue loans to students runs into several hundred pounds. There is a need for efficient work in collecting the outstanding loans. There is also a great demand for loans to be given during the 1964 year but since a great deal of money is not collected this restricts the amount of money available for use.

We make the following recommendations to improve the work of the student loan fund:

1. We recommend to the nominating committee that the Student Loan Fund Committee be enlarged to include the headmasters of the teacher training schools and two school managers. It is suggested that one school manager should be from the northern section and one from the southern.

2. We request the nominating committee to replace

all members of our committee who are now overseas.

3. We recommend that loans be given only to students in teacher training schools.

4. We recommend that our secretary publish quarterly a list of loans due with notes on the past progress of collection.

5. We recommend that the money available for loans in 1964 be awarded approximately three-fourths to students in the PTL course at Mutambara and the remaining one-fourth be divided between the two PTH schools.

6. We recommend that all applicants who receive loans should sign the stop order form which we have.

7. We request our secretary to send reminder letters to all managers and principals in November of this year, urging them to forward immediately any money collected on student loans.

Temperance

(Daily Proceedings No. 28)

1. We ask the Board of Publications to send sample leaflets on temperance to the pastors and that articles be written in UMBOWO. This should be done several weeks before Temperance Sunday, so that the pastors and local preachers may prepare the sermon on that subject. The motion was carried.

2. a). We strongly recommend that all our institutions should teach the evils of smoking and drinking. By institutions, we means educational, evangelism, medical and agricultural.

b). That the teachers be organized into class meetings by themselves and other Christian workers.

c). We challenge all our church members to be a good example to the children by living the way they teach them.

d). We ask Dr. Piburn to speak on his experience on the badness of smoking, etc.

Treasurer's Report

(Daily Proceedings No. 41)

Conference Treasurers' Report from April 22, 1963—
April 30, 1964

A. RECEIPTS:

1. Balance from last year	1995- 3- 9
2. Assessments	2788-10- 4
3. Back pay from various sources	117-18- 2
4. Back pay from C.O.C.	7661-10- 7
5. Conference Secretary	3- 4
6. Government Grants	76145-19- 4
7. Interest (on L. R. S.)	51- 8- 9
8. Ministers' Children's Scholarships	342- 0- 6
9. Missionary Grant Earning Pool	5343-16- 1
10. Moving expenses- Ministers on transfer	10- 4- 0
11. School Managers' Salary	4107- 1-11
12. Subsidy—from C.O.C. Ministers' salaries	3478- 9- 7
13. Retired African Ministers' travel to conference	34-16- 6
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B. EXPENDITURES:

1. All Africa Conference of Churches	50- 0- 0
2. Back pay for Ministers Dec. 60-63	8054- 4- 5
3. Conference Journal	100- 0- 0
4. Conference papers typed	5-14- 3
5. Conf. Secretary Expenses	13-14- 8
6. Conf. Treasurer-Office & Bank charges	20- 1- 6
7. Episcopal Fund (63-64)	588- 0- 0
8. Government grants to schools	73265- 1- 0
9. 4th quarter Budget Missionary Grant	1743- 2- 7

10.	Loan Payment (to C.O.C.)	500- 0- 0
11.	Ministers' Subsidy	3260- 3- 4
12.	Ministers' Children's Scholarships	283- 2- 0
13.	Ministers' Transfer Expenses	136- 6- 4
14.	Pension from churches (62 64)	730- 0- 0
15.	Salaries: D. S. 's	882- 0- 0
16.	School Managers: Salaries & Lay Workers Fund	1068- 7- 6
17.	Travel: Ministers & S/Pastors to Conference	84- 4- 3
18.	Travel: Conf. Lay Leader	9 11- 0
19.	Travel: Representative to Mt. Silinda	6- 0- 0
20.	Balance on Hand	11277-10- 0
		<u>102077- 2-10</u>

C. TRIAL BALANCE	Debits	Credit
Cash (Bank Balance)	11277-10- 0	
All Africa Conf. of Churches	50- 0- 0	
Loan Control	336-13- 4	
Travel to Conf Ministers & S/Pastors	67- 5- 8	
Assessments		51- 4- 3
Back Pay		137-18- 2
Central Conference Fund		267-17- 1
Conference Journal		179-17- 0
Conference Secretary		31 19- 4
Conference Treasurer		30- 1- 1
Interest		51- 8- 9
Loan from C.O.C.		336-13- 4
Missionary Grant Earning Pool		6068-18- 0
Motor Car Fund		73- 9- 0
Moving—African Ministers		132 14- 8
Ministers' Children's Scholarship		59-15-11
African School Managers' Salary		3038-14- 5
Subsidy—Ministers' Salary		1146- 9- 0

(a) If an approved applicant wishes to build a house on his own responsibility, the law requires that the house become the property of the church upon its completion.

(b) Retirement houses and plots cannot be given to children after the passing of the occupants. Such property should then be passed on to the use of new applicants.

(c) Any houses built for retirement shall meet standards set by the Conference Building Committee. This standard is at the level of the student houses for Biblical students at Old Umtali.

(d) Time of retirement: Ministers should apply at the age of 60 and may retire at 65. Laymen may apply at the age of 55 and may retire on the land at the age of 60.

No improvements have been made on the retirement areas, such as roads, water piping, etc. Until houses are in process of building this move does not seem practical. In fact, no money is in hand to make such improvements.

2. TRANSFER OF MISSION PROPERTIES TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The Rhodesian Annual Conference has expressed its willingness to accept these properties. (See page 126, 1963 minutes). However the main drawback is insufficient money to pay the Southern Rhodesia tax on property transfer which in this case has been estimated to be £45,000.

The Board of Missions has written that funds are short at present to pay the cost of transfer, but the Board is anxious to put into the hands of responsible church leadership everything they can, as fast as they can.

In the event of property transfer, the annual conference will be faced with such as insurance. It is estimated that protection from fire and storm damage could cost about £670 per year and an additional £1375 for riot or malicious damage.

3. PRESENT AND FUTURE USE OF MISSION LANDS

Responding to the report of the 1964 Consultation,

this board and the agriculture committee recommended a sub-committee to make a study report for annual conference.

Beyond this, it can be said that the Nyadiri and Old Umtali executives have agreed in principle to the cash leasing of commercial farming units to well qualified, full time African farmers, men who have sufficient capital to farm commercially. This has been discussed with government officials and there is considerable favour to the idea because of the current drive for more agricultural production to meet local and overseas markets.

It is hoped that the laws of Land Apportionment may not prevent the use of our mission lands in this way.

4. LANDS

The executive committees at the centres and on tenant farms are organizing their work of taking care of mission lands in accordance with the directions from annual conference in 1963. Arnoldine and Nyakatsapa executives have met with representatives of the Board of Trustees and are now understanding their duties much better. Nyadiri has stated its intention to choose an overseer for its lands. The treasurers of the tenant farm executives are taking training to account for receiving and paying out rents, and to report annually to the annual conference the use of rentals being paid to conference.

5. RENT PAYMENTS

At Nyakatsapa, a very small number of tenants have paid rents for 1962 and 1963. Rents at Old Umtali are now coming in better than previously.

6. LEASE CHANGES

At the request of Nyakatsapa, farmer rents have been reduced from £3 to £1.10.0 for 1964. Also they have proposed to cut the required 14 days a year work to improve the farm. They have agreed to be responsible directly to the government in regard to soil erosion control. Arnoldine Farm has expressed the wish to keep the old lease agreement.

It is regretted that the Board of Trustees has been

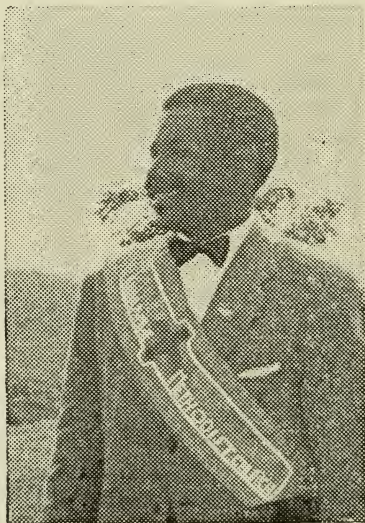
unable to make greater headway with its work, but it has faithfully followed the instructions of the Conference within the limitations of the legal requirements and those of the Board of Missions.

7. TRANSFER OF CONTROL OVER PROPERTY

The Rhodesia Annual Conference requests the Methodist Board of Missions in New York and/or its two Divisions to grant powers of attorney to the chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Rhodesia Annual Conference under an agreement effectively transferring all rights and management of the fixed and movable property in Southern Rhodesia now held in the name of the Board of Missions in New York, and/or its two divisions, together with the removal of any limitations on the use of the property except those contained in the title deed.

Vabvuwi

(Daily Proceedings No. 22)



Caleb S. Zisengwe
President of Vabvuwi South

A. NORTHERN SECTION

The annual meeting was held at Nyadiri, September 25, 1963. Many people were helped by this meeting. Five men and eight women gave witness to having received salvation. Rev. Murphree brought to the meeting a request that the Vabvuwi help with the evangelist in Area C; £5-18-6 was raised.

The meeting was honoured with the presence of Bishop Dodge and other ministers. The Bishop led in the serving of the Lord's Supper. 300 took communion. God greatly blessed our meeting.

B. SOUTHERN SECTION

"Now the point we are saying is this: We have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven." (Hebrews 8: 1).

We sincerely thank our Bishop who for the first time came and spoke about the unity of all churches in Rhodesia, he spoke at our annual meeting at Denzva in the Makoni Reserve.

There was a good gathering of both men and women. We all felt the presence of the power of the Holy Spirit, for there was a fine spirit from the beginning to the end.

(1) Many gave their lives to God for the first time and some renewed their spiritual life. Among us, there was a crippled family, both the mother and the children could not walk. We collected a sum of three pounds (£3) and gave it to them.

(2) Rev. M. W. Murphree gave us his request for money to help a worker at Mukota Area C. We collected a sum of eight pounds two shillings five pence (£8-2-5).

(3) The Vabvuwi South are trying to send a team on evangelism once a year to the needful places in our country.

(4) This year if permission is granted, we will send a team of five fishermen to Bulawayo to see the new work there and try to encourage our Christ-

ians to serve their Lord more sincerely and effectively.

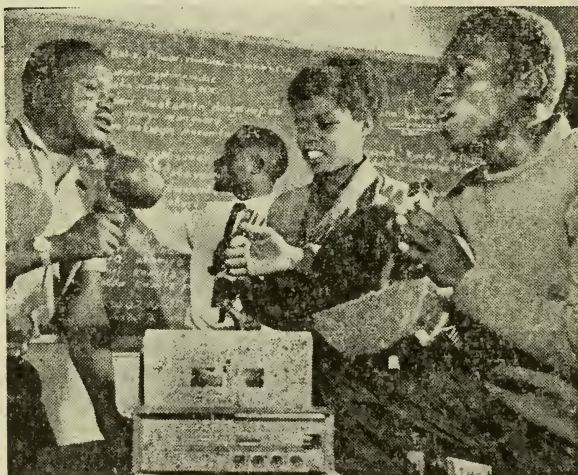
(5) We ask for your prayers to strengthen our plans for a joint Annual meeting 1965.

R.R.W. and M.M.C. have agreed to have a big revival to honour the establishment of these societies and the work of our church in Rhodesia. Also to show we are not separated but are one in one church.

(6) We strongly encourage our members to support the church in full, thus by our gifts, prayers, witness and our time without pay. In doing this we feel that God is sending us to do his work. We pray for the power so that we can do his will more effectively.

(7) We invite you all to our Annual meeting at Mutambara, meeting will start on July 9 - 12. The theme of our meeting will be "God may give us all His love to be one in all we do."

(8) We again request the Conference Scholarship Committee to grand permission of money to our representatives to go overseas for a better experience in fishing men. We do understand that there is no money, but we believe that where there is a will there is a way.



Abraham Mararire and friends tape new African hymns at the Arts Workshop.

Worship and Music

(Daily Proceedings No. 49)

1. We recognize that the worship in our church should not be European, but should reflect African customs, and adapted African ways of worship as well as African music. Because we are not sure just what this means we ask a special committee to study this matter and make concrete suggestions as to how Christian worship should become more African. We recommend that R. Kauffman, M. Murphree, D. Nyamurowa and Martin Chiza be appointed to this committee with Mr. Kauffman responsible to convene it.

We recommend that when it is determined what African ways are suitable, e.g. mhururu in the church, or drumming, the pastors gradually introduce and teach these things to their congregations as they meet the local churches' approval.

2. We ask that the last Sunday in September be put on the conference calendar as African Music Sunday. (Changed to next to last Sunday, September 20.)

3. We approve the suggestion of the consultation that a quartet tour Northern and Southern Rhodesia, and farther if possible, to help raise funds for the conference.

4. We remind our pastors that they should have a service of dedication soon after the election of new local church leaders, such as the Sunday School, R.R.W., Vabvuwi, M.Y.F. etc. If desired, new musical instruments may be dedicated at the same time. Suggested rites for these services will be found in the new book of worship.

5. a) We are planning publishing of a revised hymnal, which is being prepared by a committee consisting of R. Kauffman, D. Nyamurowa, K. Eriksson, J. Chitombo, M. Blomquist, G. Otto, J. Kaemmer and K. Sitole. The result of their work was presented to a consultative committee of those named above plus S. Kowo, Rev. Mazobere, M. Chiza, Mr. Mvududu, T. Kuture, M. Brancel, H. Eisenberg, and Mr. Chikwanha. The proposed outline of this new hymnal was then to

be sent out to members of Annual Conference so that they could study it and make suggestions.

b) We hope that our new hymnal may be oriented toward eventual union with the Synod and with their hymnal. Thus the co-operation of representatives of the Synod is welcomed.

c) We recommend that in the new hymnal a number of African hymns be published in a special section at the back of the book.

d) We recommend that the new hymnal also contain some hymns used by the Christian Church throughout the world translated into Shona.

e) We recommend the publishing of a music edition of the hymnal containing both staff notation and sol-fa notation, so that choir directors and teachers may teach all of the hymns in our hymnal.

f) We ask the committee to include more than just three hundred hymns, but realize that the actual number must be determined by the cost of printing.

6. We wish to call the attention of the Conference to the recommendations of this committee found in the Conference Journal for 1963, pages 129 to 130, items number 6 (a), (b), 7, 10, 11, and 12.

7. We approve the recommendation of the M.Y.F. in all areas of the conference the capacity for worship within African hymns and rhythms. The organizing of such a group should be the responsibility that a musical group be authorized to demonstrate of Mr. Kauffman.

1964-1965 Conference Calendar

JUNE

- 5-7 Mtoko-Nyadiri District Conference
- 5-7 Mtasa-Makoni District Conference
- 12-14 Umtali South District Conference-Matanda

JULY

- 9-13 Vabvuwi, South and North
- 10-13 Mtasa District MYF Conference
- 19- MYF Executive Meeting-Arnoldine Centre
- 26 Harvest Sunday

AUGUST

- Ngariende Month (Each church take a Chi-
- 2 Girl Guide Sunday kwizo offering).
- 9 Bible Sunday

26-30 RRW Annual Meeting-Mrewa, Munyakiri

SEPTEMBER

2-7 RRW Annual Meeting-South, Nyatande

13 Student Loan Sunday

20 African Music Sunday

27 MYF Sunday

OCTOBER

2-4 Mrewa District Conference

4 World Communion Sunday

11 Temperance Sunday

12-20 Pastors' School, Old Umtali Centre

30-Nov. 1 Consultation of "The Teacher in Church and School."

NOVEMBER

1 Christian Social Concerns Sunday

2-4 Consultation on Christian Education

15 Hospital Sunday

29 Layman's Sunday

DECEMBER

6 First Sunday in Advent

25 Christmas

31 Watch Night

1965

JANUARY

4-6 Conference Committees

7-9 Board of Finance and Coordination

11-17 MYF Annual Conference, Nyadiri Centre

18-22 RRW Leaders' Training Institute

22-23 Christian Convention South, Christian Convention North

FEBRUARY

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MONTH

7 Baby Fold Sunday

MARCH

CHRISTIAN HOME AND FAMILY MONTH

3 Ash Wednesday

5 World Day of Prayer

APRIL

11 Palm Sunday

16 Good Friday

18 Easter Sunday

25

28 to May 1 RRW Executive

Now Is the Year of Emphasis on Stewardship

Basis of Our Giving Is the Bible.



A. Why Should We Give?

- 1 Because we ourselves and all we have are God's. (Acts 10: 36) "He is Lord of all."
- 2 Because God commands it (I Cor. 16: 2). Every Sunday each of you is to put aside a sum in proportion to his gain.
- 3 Because God gave His Son for us. (II Cor. 8: 9). You know He gave our Lord Jesus Christ that though He was rich, but for our sake He became poor, that you through His poverty might be rich."
- 4 Because of effect on our spiritual. (Matt. 6:19-21) Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven for where your treasure is there shall your heart be also.

B. Who Shall Give?

- 1 Everyone as he is able to give (Acts 11: 29). Every man according to his ability determined to send relief unto the brethren. Zachaeus (Lk. 19: 8), poor widow (Lk. 21: 1-4).
- 2 No definite amount can be set to the same for all. Both Old Testament and New Testament

stated that all of God's people are expected to give. Some gifts are obligations as tithe (Lev. 28: 30 and some are voluntary (Ex. 25: 2).

C. To Whom Should We Give? (Acts 11: 29).

- 1 All giving should be unto the Lord. As worship (Ex. 2:52). Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering; of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart you shall take my offering. As dedication (II Cor. 8:5). But first they gave themselves to the Lord."
- 2 To the work of Christ and His Church. First claim (Ex. 22: 29). The first of the fruits of the land they shall bring unto the house of the Lord Thy God." (Psalm 96: 8). Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name. Bring an offering, and come unto His courts. (Malachi 3: 10). Bring ye all the tithe unto the store house.
- 3 To the support of the ministry. In full time service (I Tim. 5: 17-18). "Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy double honour especially they who labour in the word and doctrine. The labourer is worthy of his hire."
- 4 To other Christian causes like the poor and orphans; sending relief to the hungry Jerusalem (II Cor. 8: 1-14).

D. How Should We Give?

Joyfully (II Cor. 9: 7). Let him give not grudgingly or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver. Sacrificially (II Cor. 8: 2, 3). In their deep poverty, to their power yea and beyond their power. Generosity (II Cor. 9: 5-6). He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly. Willingly (I Chr. 29: 9). Then the people rejoiced because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the Lord." Honestly (I Chr. 19: 17) as for me in the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all these things."

E. How Much Should We Give?

John Wesley taught, "Get all you can, save all you can, give all you can." Abraham was met and blessed by Melchizedek to whom he gave tithe

(Gen. 14: 19. Heb. 7: 2, 4). The Pharisees tithed all their possessions (Lk. 11: 42). The poor widow cast her all in the treasury (Lk 21: 4). Giving a tenth of our income from crops, and silver, is not a tax, rather it is a demonstration of our love and thanks to Almighty God for His blessings.

F. What Is the Reward for Giving?

Malachi 3: 10, "Bring ye all the tithe into the store house. I will pour you out a blessing that thou shalt not be room enough to receive it." Lk. 18:22. "Distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven." Lk. 6:38. "Give and gifts will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken and running over, will be poured unto your bags." Six surprises for the poor who began to tithe regularly:

- 1 The deepening of his spiritual life in giving the tithe.
- 2 The amount of money he has for the Lord.
- 3 His ability to meet his own obligations with the nine-tenths.
- 4 The love he has can go on from one tenth to larger giving.
- 5 The reasoned sense of stewardship for the remaining nine-tenths.
- 6 A surprise at himself for not adopting this Bible plan sooner.

In all I have reported, let all members of this Conference take root in your minds and hearts all this Conference calls for, in discussions and in making decisions." Thank you.

—*The Four District Superintendents*

Mtoko-Nyadiri District

A number of churches have now taken up the Lord's Acre programme, and we hope before the end of the year all will have that as a part of the ongoing development.

Nyamkoho, Chindenga and Shinga are now ready for their clinics to be built or completed. Katsukunya will dedicate their church in August. Kavere, Mdzonga,

Dindi, Rukariro, Chitimbe and Machejera hope to dedicate church buildings during this conference year. Chindenga, Nyamkoho, Mashambanaka and Nyahondo are ready to go ahead with their church plans any time.

Due to political unrest, with our facing certain financial difficulties but through our stewardship teaching on tithing we hope to keep up and strengthen our obligations. Our district conference was very good and gave clear indication of strong lay leadership.

More and more I realise the need of making smaller districts to make it possible to do more effective work. The personal contact with pastors and laymen is a must if a District Superintendent is going to be a shepherd, and at the same time, an administrator. He has to be both if we are thinking in terms of growth and strength. We hope it will be possible in the future to accomplish that.

In the hope that the Church may remain the instrument in bringing hope and trust to the future of this country we urge our members to come together for more intensified prayer-life and more revival campaigns out in the villages; more concern about winning the young people and a desire to serve our fellowmen.

—Lennart Blomquist, *District Superintendent*

The New Ngariende Board

(Conference Board of Missions and Evangelism)

At Mrewa in May, Annual Conference voted to reorganize the work of the Conference Board of Evangelism and Ngariende Committee into one Conference Board of Missions and Evangelism, to be known as NGARIENDE. All the missionary outreach and evangelistic work of our Conference will come under the direction of this Board, which will have an Executive which will consider pressing needs.

Members voted to the Executive of this Board were:

Chairman: O. A. Stine

Vice-chairman: J. E. Jijita

Secretary: M. Chiza

Member-at-large: Mrs. Jangano

M. W. Murphree, appointed by the Cabinet as Executive Secretary of the Board, also functions as the Treasurer.

Mtasa-Makoni District Information For 1964-1965

The District Conference held at Rusape June 5-7 elected Matthew Mataranyika as the Lay Leader for the next four years. Other officers elected for this year are: W. Marima, Treasurer; N. Chiwara, Secretary; N. Gandanzara, Wabvuwi Chairman; Mrs. T. Curtis, Rukwadzano Chairwoman; Mrs. W. Mandisodza, Vice-Chairwoman; M. Mataranyika, Finance Chairman; A. Muzorewa, Christian Education Chairman; K. Kamsasa, MYF Chairman.

The return to the circuit system of finance as approved by Annual Conference was adopted with budgets recommended for every circuit. The pastor is to be paid direct by the circuit treasurer at the time as arranged by the circuit. The district treasurer will send the Conference assistance to the pastor at the beginning of each quarter. Conference assessments are to be sent to the district treasurer at Old Umtali or else this will be withheld from the subsidy. The circuits are also asked to give nine shillings per quarter for district expenses.

The new bookkeeping system is being well-received. Every local church should have only one treasurer, and he should have the new book, as well as the circuit treasurer. All of these books should be brought to each quarterly conference to be audited by the D.S. and finance committee. After three months from July 1st, when circuits have been paying their pastors direct, there will be a meeting of circuit treasurers to discuss their work.

A district stewardship team has been elected to assist those churches having difficulty in giving. They are M. Mataranyika, W. Marima, E. Matongo, and Mbuya Nyika. Also E. Saburi and W. Kinyon will be working in stewardship and family life training, Lord's Acre projects, and bookkeeping.

Two sub-district MYF conferences are organized, one for Mtasa which meets at Wengo July 10-13, and the other for Makoni which met in April. Dates and places for next year's meetings will be announced.

The place approved for our district camp site is Nyatande where camp meetings first began in 1928.

Each circuit is to name its own representative on the district committee which will meet on call by Rev. Patrick Machiri. This committee will be responsible for the development of the site including buildings where we hope to see many improvements. The Rukwadzano meets there September 2-7.

A workshop in Christian Education is to be held at Old Umtali, October 19-23 for church workers in this area. Another training session will be in Makoni area October 23-25.

Those interested in becoming local preachers or going on into the ministry should first consult their pastor. Remember all local preachers are required to pass the course of study, and this will be reviewed during the second quarterly conferences.

The Nyangombe Methodist Centre was born on June 17, 1964. This site in north Inyanga borders on the Nyangombe river and is almost in sight of Chikore. The Director, Rev. Ovid Stine, is supervising the development under direction of the committee appointed by Conference.

For information or requests concerning schools, consult with our two school managers—D. Bvunzavabaya at Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba, or W. Gombedza, P.O. Box 196, Rusape, or the Principal at Old Umtali, B. A. Higgs.

REMEMBER: Our goal for the year is a 10% increase in church membership!

Looking Ahead in Umtali South District

By P. C. Nyamukapa, Mutambara, Southern Rhodesia

On July 1 the Umtali South District will start a new system of payments.

There are 11 circuits. Each circuit is responsible for pastoral support and Conference assessments.

The circuit treasurer will receive money from each local church within the circuit to pay the minister and Conference assessments. Each circuit will receive from the Conference treasurer only on its ability to raise funds. There is no guarantee for assistance to those who might receive it at the moment. Aim to stand on your own feet in the life of the church. Tithing is God's way and will not fail you.

DISTRICT OFFICERS

1. *District Treasurer*: K. J. C. Mvududu, Chakohwa Methodist Church, P.B. C7314, Umtali.

2. *District Lay Leader*: S. B. Mutambara, Chitimani Store, P.B. C7315, Umtali.

3. *District Evangelists*: Rev. L. Chieza, Mutambara Methodist Centre, P.O. Mutambara, and Mr. E. Chikodzi, Maswaure Methodist Church, Box 288, Umtali.

4. *District Christian Education worker*: Mr. N. Dziwa, Munyarari Methodist Church, Box C377, Umtali.

5. *District School Managers*: Mutambara and Zimunya Schools, Mr. R. E. J. Chimonyo, Chakowha Methodist Church, P.B. C7314, Umtali.

Marange School Manager, Mr. F. Brancel, 133 Main Street, Umtali.

Zimunya North School Manager, Mr. W. Kinyon, Old Umtali Methodist Centre, P.B. P7024, Umtali.

DISTRICT CAMP MEETINGS. Two big camp meetings will be held, July 28 - August 2, 1964. The people from Odzi, Umtali Sakubva, all Zimunya and all Marange will meet at Charinga, and Nyanyadzi and Mutambara will meet at the Mutambara camp ground. Pastors and laymen are very enthusiastic about the camp meeting this year. We ask your friends to join us in great prayers for great revivals at great camp meetings.

STEWARDSHIP TEAMS: A stewardship team was elected at the District Conference held June 12-14 at Mt. Makomwe. Its members are: Rev. M. Bawa, Mr. W. Muzarewetu, Mrs. Samudzimu (a deaconess), Mr. A. Gowero, Mr. S. Mashingaidze, Mr. I. Murapa.

PROMOTING STEWARDSHIP

Mr. W. Kinyon and Mr. E. Saburi will promote Lord's Acre programmes. They will work hand in hand with the district team to promote stewardship and Lord's Acre. We have set a goal that every local church will have an organized band of tithers who will meet regularly and testify how the Lord blessed their lives through giving. We also have set a goal that every local church will organize a Lord's Acre to strengthen each local church spiritually and financially. Also good bookkeeping in every church, using Mrs. Kinyon's new book, "Easy Bookkeeping."

EVANGELISM. A team of evangelism was also elected at the District Conference. It will work with the district evangelists.

EDUCATION. Two streams of Form I will begin at Mutambara in 1965, and we hope to have a secondary school at Mt. Makomwe in Marange Reserve in 1966.

DISTRICT LIBRARY. If there are friends here or overseas who would help us with a supply of books to establish a district library, we should appreciate them. The Rev. L. Eisenberg is the director of literature distribution. Ministers and laymen can receive books for distribution. One of our ministers is already receiving books.

Umtali South will put its news in UMBOWO on Sept. 15, 1964.

The district is making a special appeal to the circuits and local churches to raise money for a district superintendent's house within the district. The District committee will meet as soon as possible.

Finishing with the idea of a building signifies many things.

1. Building a living house.
2. Building the church of God.
3. Building the spiritual kingdom.
4. Building a strong circuit and church.
5. Building strong unity of Christian fellowship.
6. Building a fellowship of Christian love.

DEPORTATION OF DODGE-HUGHES: SPECIAL REPORT
(Continued from page 2)

Ministers from many denominations attempted to see the Prime Minister. Protests were made by the Asian Association, the Christian students at the University, Catholic Bishop LaMont, an editorial in the RHODESIA HERALD, several letters to the editors of HERALD and NEWS, and the World Council of Churches. Friends of Dodge and Hughes carried signs protesting the deportation order. Many wore black sashes.

When it was evident that there would not be a response to Bishop Dodge's request for a 40-day extension to permit him to attend the wedding and to serve as chairman of the Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference, he planned a final tour of the Conference, stopping in the major centres to say goodbye. About 500 people were at the airport for the departure.

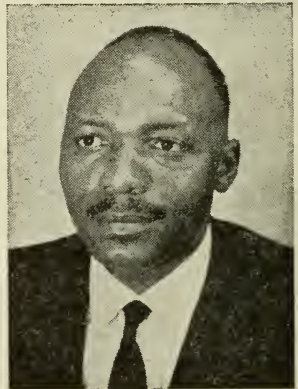
Why Was This Done?

Rev. Robert Hughes issued a statement, saying that "It is becoming increasingly clear that the Government is growing intolerant of criticism from whatever sources, whether it arises from political parties, the press, trade unions, and now the Church."

Continued as Bishop

The status of Bishop Dodge, of course, was not affected by the deportation order, and he continued as Bishop. He designated his administrative assistant, the Rev. Jonah Kawadza, to carry on the work of the office, under his "long-distance direction."

The Conference established a Ralph E. Dodge Scholarship Fund, to which sympathizers gave money for a scholarship for a deserving African student. UMBOWO, the Conference paper, donated 800 of the special edition to this fund. Contributions still can be sent, c/o Mr. I. Musamba, Conference Treasurer, Box 8293 Causeway, Salisbury.



Rev. Jonah Kawadza

STATEMENT FROM BISHOP DODGE

About His Deportation

Bishop Dodge has not been given reason for his deportation, and he, like the church, felt that it was impossible to answer an unspecified charge. However, he issued a statement giving some of the possible reasons, and stating some of his convictions.

Personal Viewpoint?

I have written several pamphlets on controversial subjects trying to set forth what I interpret to be the Christian view-point. If I am being deported because of what I have written, I have no comments or apologies to make.

Service Programme Too Advanced?

During the past four years my church in Southern Rhodesia has intensified its educational program by sending many young Rhodesians over-seas for University training. It has intensified its post Standard Six education program in Southern Rhodesia so that by 1965 it will be responsible for one Teacher Training College and four Secondary Schools. In its primary schools there are more than forty thousand pupils. My church runs three hospitals and other service units. Can it be that the Government wishes to deport me because of this service program to Rhodesians?

Non-Racial Policy?

I believe in a non-racial society and have tried to associate myself with all segments of our Rhodesian population. If it is because of association with both African and Europeans that I am asked to leave, I have no regrets. I shall continue to associate with people as people irrespective of colour wherever I may be.

Moral, Spiritual Emphasis?

Can it possibly be that I am unwanted because of my insistence that the problems in Southern Rhodesia are basically moral and spiritual and that no permanent solution to these problems can be reached without removing the causes: discrimination, prejudice, egoism, false pride, slander, intimidation, and other forms of unfair play?

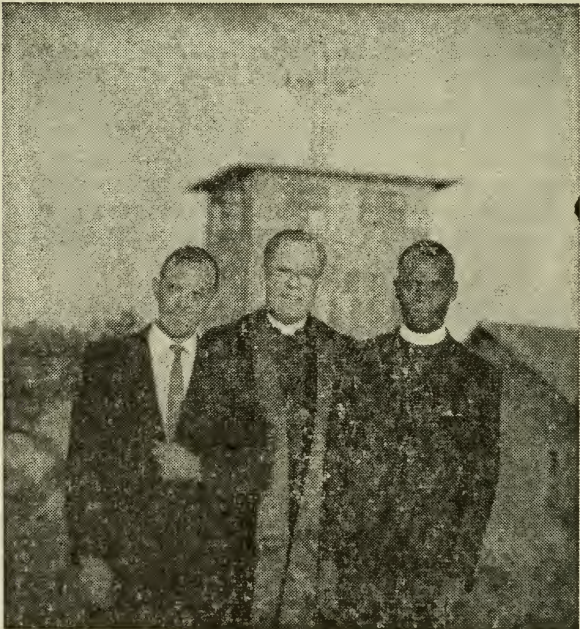
Participation in Groups?

If the proposed deportation is due to participation in Christian Action Groups then I shall gladly go because I will have made my witness that true Christian piety leads to constructive non-violent action.

Possible Portuguese Insistence?

Should my deportation be at the request of the Portuguese Government which itself has never proved any charges against me, I shall indeed be sorry that my record of service in Southern Rhodesia is ignored and that unfounded accusations of another government are accepted as valid.

Standing Together

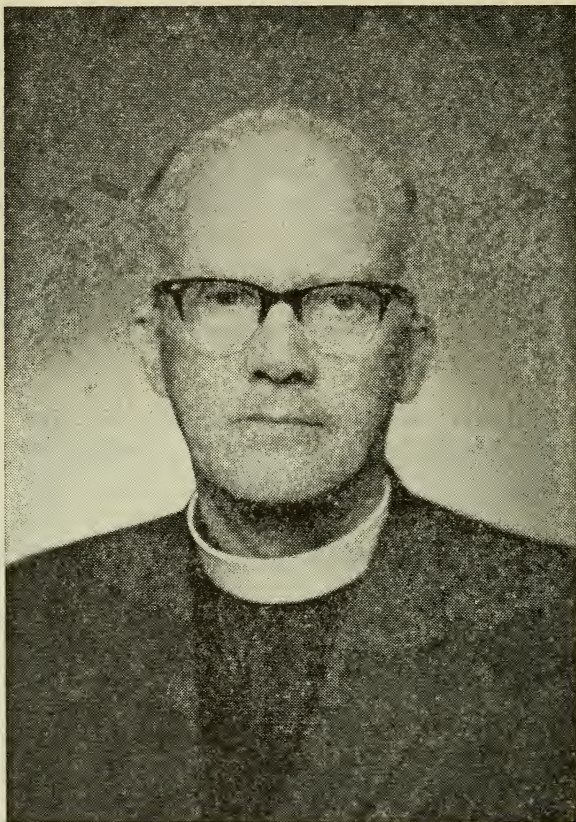


Rev. R. Hughes, Bishop Dodge, and Rev. N. Dikanafuwa at Hilltop Church on the Day of Prayer, Sunday, July 26.

WHERE TO GET FILMS

1. Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference Film Library, Bible House, Salisbury. Fee £5.0.0. per year. Best source for religious films.
2. Shell Film Library, 30 Jameson Avenue, Salisbury. (Box 982, Telephone, 61481).
Oil, Industrial, Scientific, Agricultural, Educational, Travel, General, Sport.
3. AMERICAN FILM LIBRARY of U.S. Information Service. Box 8168 Causeway, 8th Floor, Bank Chambers. Jameson at First. Telephone 28066.
Many different kinds of films.
4. Educational Aids Office, Box 8059 Causeway, Salisbury. Government agency for schools has 1900 films.
5. British Information Service, Box 8237 Causeway, Salisbury. Telephone 26560. Has large list of films.
6. Consulat General de France, Century House (Baker Avenue) Salisbury. Telephone 21249. Box 1378.
French films.
7. Australian Government Trade Commissioner. Central Africa House, First Street. Telephone 26852.
Films of Australia.
8. African Consolidated Films, 73 Cameron Street, Salisbury, Box 855. Commercial films requiring rental paid.

Chairman of Central Conference Delegates



Rev. Kare Eriksson was chosen at Rhodesia Annual Conference by these delegates as their chairman.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATES: J. Chidzikwe, K. Eriksson, J. Kawadza, P. Nyamukapa, M. Murphree, S. Munjoma, M. Chiza, E. Matonga, V. Otto. **Alternates:** O. Stine, M. Culver, T. Curtis, S. Kowo, D. Chikosi, J. Chitombo, E. Chimbanga, H. Griffin, A. Muzorewa.

LAY: S. Tsopotsa, I. Musamba, S. Chibanda, B. Chikore, N. A. Gandanzara, K. M. Sithole, G. Gonah, Mai L. Zimonte, Mai D. Mudzengerere. **Alternates:** N. Kaseke, S. B. Mutambara, M. Piburn, H. Deale, W. Kinyon, E. Russell, Mrs. T. Roberts, R. Watson, T. Roberts.

MEMOIRS

Bishop John Springer, Pioneer Missionary

Bishop John McKendree Springer, retired Methodist missionary bishop to Africa, died (December 2) in Memorial Home Community, an interdenominational home for the aged, at Penney Farms, Fla. He was 89.

Bishop Springer was elected to the episcopacy in 1936 after a career of pioneering for Methodist Missions on the African continent, and he was retired from active episcopal service in 1944.

As a missionary, he arrived in Southern Rhodesia in 1901, on his first assignment, only three years after the Rhodesia mission had been established. Ten years later he battled with primitive conditions in opening work in the Republic of Congo, then the Belgian Congo. With his first wife, who died in 1949, Bishop Springer trekked across the continent from the Indian Ocean to the Atlantic in 1907, and helped dramatize to American Methodists the needs of the African people.

In 1913 he established a Mission Station at Kambove, overlooking a valley that was called Livingstone's Spruit, gateway to the copper mines, one of the objective points toward which Livingstone was striving at the time of his death in 1873. For some 28 years Bishop Springer was stationed not more than three hundred miles from where the great explorer died and in 1938 he was able at last to visit the place of Livingstone's death and where his heart was buried.

Bishop Springer had the privilege of seeing missionary work develop from its very inception to the place where annual conferences are constituted mainly by Africans, who were gathered into the mission stations as raw youngsters direct from primitive villages.

In 1935 Bishop Springer was decorated with the Order of the Lion, by the Belgian Government.

A native of Wisconsin, Bishop Springer was a graduate of Northwestern University and the Garrett Biblical Institute, both in Evanston, Ill.

He is survived by his second wife, Mrs. Helen Newton Everett Springer, whom he married in 1956 in First Methodist Church (Chicago Temple), Chicago. Two years later, after an absence of eight years from the Congo, Bishop Springer returned to Africa, to live out most of his remaining days. With his wife, a missionary nurse in Africa for more than 20 years, he landed in Cape Town and drove slowly up the Continent to the Congo. He was 84 then.

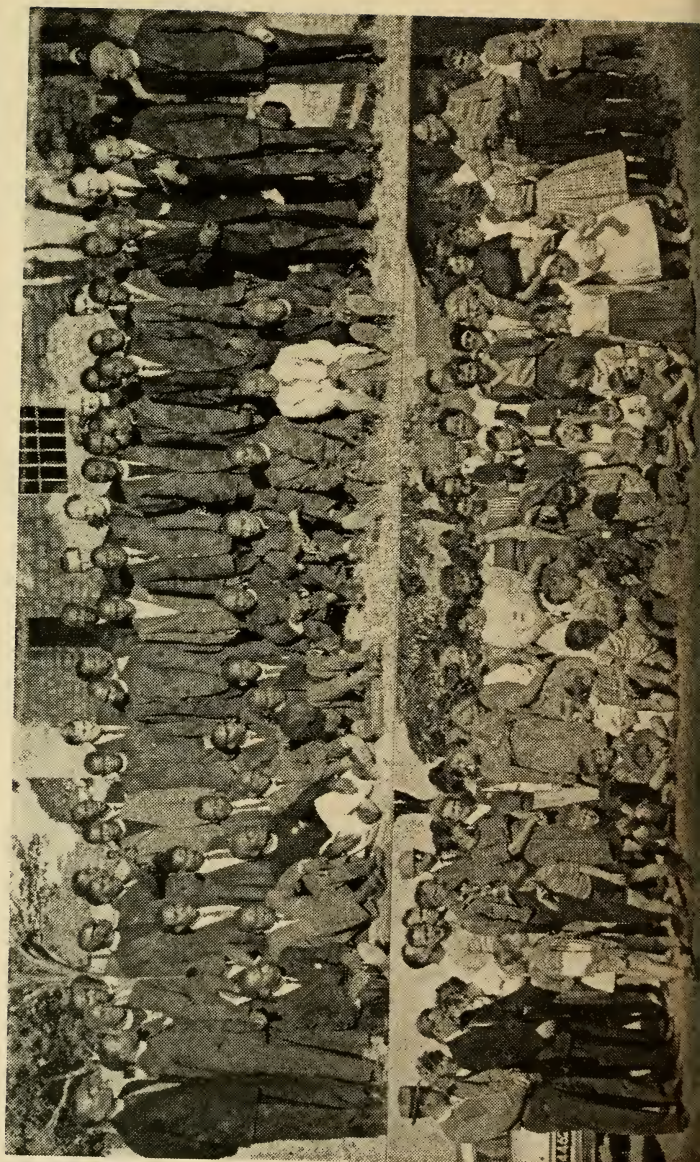
Bishop Springer came from a long line of Methodist pioneers. His grandfather is said to have preached the first evangelical sermon in Chicago.

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	Mutambara Centre	Mutambara West	Mutambara East	Nyanya- dzi	Maranke South	Maranke Centre	Maranke North	Zimunya South	Zimunya North	Hilltop	Total
D. Total Teachers Salaries	£ 6340	£45761			£32500						£84601
E. Total Expenses											
(1) Budget											
(2) Buildings											
MEDICAL											
35 No. of Units											
A. Hospitals		1									1
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres		6									6
C. Maternity Centres		1									1
36 Medical Staff											
A. Doctors		1									1
B. Nurses		1									1
C. Nurses in Training											
D. Others		7									7
37 Patients											
A. Hospitalized											
(1) Total No. of Patients		1788									1788
(2) Total No. of days in Hospital		16199									16199
B. Clinic Patients		5449									5449
C. Daily Treatments		21528									21528
D. No. of Maternity Patients		320									320
38 Finances (in dollars)											
A. Local Support											
(1) On Budget	£ 2900										£ 2900
(2) On Buildings											
B. Government Support											
(1) On Budget	£ 2504										£ 2504
(2) On Buildings											
C. World Service Support											
(1) Budget	£ 4062										£ 4062
(2) Buildings											
D. Total Workers Salaries	£ 1658										£ 1658
E. Total Expenses											
(1) On Budget	£ 9630										£ 9630
(2) On Buildings											
CHURCH FINANCES											
39 Ministerial Support											
A. Pastors	£ 360										£ 1857
B. District Superintendants	£ 420										
C. Episcopal Fund											
40 Conference Claimants											£ 530
41 Annual Conference Administration											
42 Central Conference Fund											
43 General Conference Administration											
44 Interdenominational Cooperation Fund											
45 Benevolences	£ 13										
46 Buildings and Repairs	£ 448										
47 Other Purposes											£ 22
48 Total Contributions of Local Church (39-47)											£ 1857
49 Total Amount received by Pastors											
50 Total amount rec. from outside local Churches	£ 300										£ 690
A. From Conference Benevolences											£ 690
B. From World Service Funds											
PROPERTIES											
51 No. of Church Buildings	2	3	3		4	8				4	24
A. Permanent	1	1	2								4
B. Semi-Permanent		1	1		4	1				4	11
C. Temporary	1	1				7					9
52 No of Parsonages	1	1	1			1	1	1	1	1	8

STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

	Old Umtali	Penhalo-nga-Odzi	Nyakatsapa	Gandanzara	Inyanga South	Inyanga North	Nyamukwarara	Mundenda	Chiduku South	Chiduku North	Wesly	Rusape Railway	Total
D. Total Teachers Salaries	£17000		£31697	£15000									£63697
E. Total Expenses			£ 4577										
(1) Budget													
(2) Buildings													
MEDICAL													
35 No. of Units													
A. Hospitals	1												1
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres	1												1
C. Maternity Centres	1												1
36 Medical Staff													
A. Doctors	1												1
B. Nurses	8												8
C. Nurses in Training													
D. Others	22												22
37 Patients													
A. Hospitalized	1224												1224
(1) Total No. of Patients	9288												9288
(2) Total No. of days in Hospital													
B. Clinic Patients	2754												2754
C. Daily Treatments	14840												14840
D. No. of Maternity Patients	325												325
38 Finances (in dollars)													
A. Local Support													
(1) On Budget	£ 1345												£ 1345
(2) On Buildings													
B. Government Support													
(1) On Budget	£ 1335												£ 1335
(2) On Buildings													
C. World Service Support	£ 1657												£ 1657
(1) Budget													
(2) Buildings	£ 1130												£ 1130
D. Total Workers Salaries	£ 1821												£ 1821
E. Total Expenses													
(1) On Budget	£ 7078												£ 7078
(2) On Buildings	£ 500												£ 500
CHURCH FINANCES													
39 Ministerial Support													
A. Pastors													
B. District Superintendants													
C. Episcopal Fund													
40 Conference Claimants													
41 Annual Conference Administration													
42 Central Conference Fund													
43 General Conference Administration													
44 Interdenominational Cooperation Fund													
45 Benevolences													
46 Buildings and Repairs													
47 Other Purposes													
48 Total Contributions of Local Church (39-47)													
49 Total Amount received by Pastors													
50 Total amount rec. from outside local Churches													
A. From Conference Benevolences													
B. From World Service Funds													
PROPERTIES													
51 No. of Church Buildings													
A. Permanent				11		1			5	12	10	1	3
B. Semi-Permanent				9		1			3	4	4	1	2
C. Temporary				2					2	8	4		
52 No of Parsonages													
				1						1			1

STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

	Mrewa Centre	Mrewa East	Mrewa West	Mrewa North	Harare Circuit	Mrewa South	Chikore Tanda	Headlands	Highfield	Total
D. Total Teachers Salaries		£31288						£12057		
E. Total Expenses										
(1) Budget										
(2) Buildings										
MEDICAL										
35 No. of Units										
A. Hospitals										
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres										
C. Maternity Centres										
36 Medical Staff										
A. Doctors										
B. Nurses										
C. Nurses in Training										
D. Others										
37 Patients										
A. Hospitalized										
(1) Total No. of Patients										
(2) Total No. of days in Hospital										
B. Clinic Patients										
C. Daily Treatments										
D. No. of Maternity Patients										
38 Finances (in dollars)										
A. Local Support										
(1) On Budget										
(2) On Buildings										
B. Government Support										
(1) On Budget										
(2) On Buildings										
C. World Service Support										
(1) Budget										
(2) Buildings										
D. Total Workers Salaries										
E. Total Expenses										
(1) On Budget										
(2) On Buildings										
CHURCH FINANCES										
39 Ministerial Support										
A. Pastors										
B. District Superintendants										
C. Episcopal Fund										
40 Conference Claimants										
41 Annual Conference Administration										
42 Central Conference Fund										
43 General Conference Administration										
44 Interdenominational Cooperation Fund										
45 Benevolences										
46 Buildings and Repairs										
47 Other Purposes										
48 Total Contributions of Local Church (39-47)										
49 Total Amount received by Pastors										
50 Total amount rec. from outside local Churches										
A. From Conference Benevolences										
B. From World Service Funds										
PROPERTIES										
51 No. of Church Buildings	1	9	2	5	1	4	5	6		33
A. Permanent	1	4		1	1	1	1	2		11
B. Semi-Permanent		3	1	2		2	2	2		12
C. Temporary		2	1	2		1	2	2		10
52 No of Parsonages	1		1	1		1	1	1		6

STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

	Mtoko West	Mtoko North	Mtoko South	Mtoko East	Chikwizo	Nyadiri Centre	Nyadiri Circuit	Mketa	Uzumba	Maramba Pfungwe	Total
WORKERS											
1 Members of Conference											
A. Under appointment	1	2	1	1		4	1		1	1	12
(1) Africans	1	1	1	1		2	1		1	1	9
(2) Missionaries		1				2					3
B. Others											
(1) Africans											
(2) Missionaries		5				22					27
2 On Trial											
3 Missionaries											
4 Other Missionary Workers		1				1				1	3
5 Other Salaried Pastoral Workers											
A. Approved Supply Pastors					1						1
B. Local Preachers and Evangelists								1			1
6 Other Christian Life Workers			1						1		2
7 Volunteer Workers	93	96	86	64	11	38	756		77	39	1260
A. Local Preachers	12	22	54	19	5	8	35		39	22	216
B. Exhorters and Class Leaders	81	74	32	45	6	30	721		38	17	1044
CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY											
8 Baptised Children (under 12 years)	131	46	21	75	41	33	260		19	12	638
9 Enrolled Beginners	137	126	1164	120	264	100	223	30	133		2297
10 Preparatory Members	151	205	103	40	82	96	244	20	71	97	1109
11 Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	419	377	1288	235	387	229	727	50	223	109	4044
12 Full Members Enrolled	345	438	434	456	90	256	414	24	461	185	3097
13 Christian Families	36	75	66	55	14	50	55	5	63	35	454
14 Members Men's Society	33	32	37	32	7	17	30		40	24	252
15 Members Women's Society	200	174	312	200	29	50	385		207	90	1647
16 Members Youth Society	77	68	224	40	17	20	385		75	211	1117
17 Number of Preaching Places	9	14	11	9	5	10	7	5	10	8	98
18 Number Sunday Schools	9	25	15	8	8	7	7	2	14	15	118
19 Number Teachers & Officers in S.S.	76	71	46	16	24	30	49		57	14	383
20 Number Pupils in Sunday Schools	391	1925	1168	550	394	659	682			578	6347
21 Average Attendance	263	1273	998	400	333	556	538			266	4627
PASTORAL ACTIVITIES											
22 Children Baptised	130	32	41	40	6	9	8	6	19		303
23 Adults Baptised	45	56	15	30	28	36	26		8		252
24 Beginners Received	89	116	88	40	27	35	22				417
25 Prep. Members Received	59	66	34	18	17	36	28		2		263
26 Full Members from Probation	77	66	34	55	18	26	26		10		331
27 Full Members Received by Transfer	7	6	10	14	3	23	6		4		76
28 Full Members removed by Transfer	2	7	1	10	9	4	8		3		49
29 Full Members who died	1	2		4	1	1	2		4		13
30 Christian Marriages Performed	3	3	12	5	2	3	4		5		39
EDUCATIONAL											
31 No. of schools	5	10	4	2		4	20	1	1	19	66
32 No. of Teachers in Schools	28	38	25	13		26	98	4	2	93	327
33 No. of Students (total)	1114	1502	948	564		776	4148	176	73	3827	136388
A. Male	663	906	515	320		461	2268	121	42	2249	7550
B. Female	446	596	433	244		375	1880	55	31	1578	5578
34 Finances (in dollars)											
A. Local Support	£ 418	£ 299	£ 241	£ 209							
(1) On Budget	£ 123	£ 132	£ 58	£ 53		£ 7088		£ 16	£ 6	£ 241	
(2) On Buildings	£ 295	£ 167	£ 183	£ 156				£ 22	£ 56		
B. Government Support											
(1) On Budget	£ 5211	£ 7171	£ 5644	£ 2543		£ 9945					
(2) On Buildings											
C. World Service Support											
(1) On Budget						£ 3978					
(2) On Buildings						£ 910					

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	Umtali South District	Mtasa-Makoni District	Mrewa District	Mtoko-Nyadiri District	Total
WORKERS					
1 Members of Conference					
A. Under appointment	13	13	13	12	49
(1) Africans	10	9	9	9	35
(2) Missionaries	3	4	4	3	14
B. Others					
(1) Africans	2	3	1		
(2) Missionaries		1		27	
2 On Trial	1	1	1		3
3 Missionaries	13	24	15		
4 Other Missionary Workers		3		3	
5 Other Salaried Pastoral Workers					6
A. Approved Supply Pastors	1	2	1	1	5
B. Local Preachers and Evangelists	2			1	3
6 Other Christian Life Workers	46			2	48
7 Volunteer Workers	672	615	424	1260	2971
A. Local Preachers	283	242	158	216	899
B. Exhorters and Class Leaders	389	373	266	1044	2072
CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY					
8 Baptised Children (under 12 years)	1067	3436	808	638	5949
9 Enrolled Beginners	2071	965	923	2297	6256
10 Preparatory Members	1259	1091	628	1109	4087
11 Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	4399	5492	2359	4044	16294
12 Full Members Enrolled	4243	4467	3113	3097	14920
13 Christian Families	1313	1240	966	454	3973
14 Members Men's Society	525	366	312	252	1455
15 Members Women's Society	1482	2055	1485	1647	6669
16 Members Youth Society	782	1477	838	1117	4214
17 Number of Preaching Places	94	82	48	98	322
18 Number Sunday Schools	93	81	189	118	481
19 Number Teachers & Officers in S.S.	345	272	301	383	1301
20 Number Pupils in Sunday Schools	6634		4245	6347	
21 Average Attendance	4656	3245	2360	4627	
PASTORAL ACTIVITIES					
22 Children Baptised	442	482	758	303	1985
23 Adults Baptised	296	171	211	252	930
24 Beginners Received	800	470	452	417	2139
25 Prep. Members Received	453	491	209	263	1416
26 Full Members from Probation	298	245	182	331	1056
27 Full Members Received by Transfer	157	91	92	76	416
28 Full Members removed by Transfer	179	174	112	49	514
29 Full Members who died	49	45	30	13	137
30 Christian Marriages Performed	62	83	51	39	235
EDUCATIONAL					
31 No. of schools	63	38	37	66	205
32 No. of Teachers in Schools	445	224	210	327	1221
33 No. of Students (total)	13720	7374	7937	13696	42727
A. Male	7220	4089	4291	7550	23345
B. Female	6500	3285	3646	5578	19382
34 Finances (in dollars)					
A. Local Support					
(1) On Budget	£ 8918	£ 10201			
(2) On Buildings					
B. Government Support					
(1) On Budget	£ 85571	£ 49336			
(2) On Buildings					
C. World Service Support					
(1) On Budget	£ 3782	£ 2693			
(2) On Buildings					

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	Umtali South District	Mtasa-Makoni District	Mrewa District	Mtoko-Nyadiri District	Total
D. Total Teachers Salaries	£ 84601	£ 63697			
E. Total Expenses					
(1) Budget					
(2) Buildings					
MEDICAL					
35 No. of Units					
A. Hospitals	1	1		1	3
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres	6	1		7	14
C. Maternity Centres	1	1		1	3
36 Medical Staff					
A. Doctors	1	1		5	7
B. Nurses	1	8		20	29
C. Nurses in Training				75	75
D. Others	7	22		17	46
37 Patients					
A. Hospitalized					
(1) Total No. of Patients	1788	1224		3160	6172
(2) Total No. of days in Hospital	16199	9288		51881	77368
B. Clinic Patients	5449	2754		56502	64705
C. Daily Treatments	21528	14840		255375	291743
D. No. of Maternity Patients	320	325		692	1337
38 Finances (in dollars)					
A. Local Support					
(1) On Budget	£ 2300	£ 1345		£ 6426	£ 10671
(2) On Buildings					
B. Government Support					
(1) On Budget	£ 2504	£ 1335		£ 11352	£ 15191
(2) On Buildings					
C. World Service Support					
(1) Budget	£ 4062	£ 1657		£ 12295	£ 18014
(2) Buildings				£ 5480	£ 6610
D. Total Workers Salaries	£ 1658	£ 1821		£ 10457	£ 13936
E. Total Expenses					
(1) On Budget	£ 9630	£ 7078		£ 29996	£ 46704
(2) On Buildings		£ 500		£ 5865	£ 6365
CHURCH FINANCES					
39 Ministerial Support					
A. Pastors	£ 1857	£ 2214	£ 1348	£ 1771	£ 7190
B. District Superintendants					
C. Episcopal Fund					
40 Conference Claimants	£ 530	£ 781	£ 473	£ 561	£ 2345
41 Annual Conference Administration					
42 Central Conference Fund					
43 General Conference Administration					
44 Interdenominational Cooperation Fund					
45 Benevolences					
46 Buildings and Repairs				£ 2750	
47 Other Purposes	£ 22				
48 Total Contributions of Local Church (39-47)				£ 5082	
49 Total Amount received by Pastors	£ 1857	£ 2214	£ 1348	£ 1772	£ 7190
50 Total amount rec. from outside local Churches	£ 690	£ 979	£ 564	£ 792	£ 3025
A. From Conference Benevolences					
B. From World Service Funds	£ 690				
PROPERTIES					
51 No. of Church Buildings	24	71	33	72	200
A. Permanent	4	36	11	16	67
B. Semi-Permanent	11	29	12	15	67
C. Temporary	9	6	10	41	66
52 No of Parsonages	8	10	6	10	34

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