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Ralph E. Dodge, Presiding Bishop

Rev. Kenneth Choto, Secretary



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PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE



*Bishop Ralph E. Dodge*

## **Part I**

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Miss S. Himes
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P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva,  
Umtali, Southern Rhodesia
- LAY LEADER:** Mr. Isaac Musamba  
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Southern Rhodesia

## **B. BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

Ex-officio members: Bishop Dodge and assistants

### **1. ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD**

Bishop, Administrative Assistant, District Superintendent's

	Delegates	1st Alt.	2nd Alt.
Adminis.	I. Musamba	S. Kowo	C. Miller
Extension	Mrs. Chitombo	B. Ruwodo	D. Maenzanise
Evangelism	M. Chiza	M. Culver	Mrs. Mudzengerere
Educational	S. Tsopotsa	E. Roberts	S. Kundishora
Medical	M. Piburn	T. Kuture	G. Close

### **2. CABINET**

Bishop, Administrative Assistant, District Superintendents, 2 representatives of W.D.C.S., Station Chairmen.

## **A. FIRST GROUP**

### **1. AUDIT**

H. Anfinen (Chm), W. M. Mandisodza (vice-Chm), S. Kowo, (Sec), Mrs. L. Hillendahl, E. Jangano, Mrs. W. Kinyon, M. Mparutsa, P. Mudzingwa, Mrs. T. Roberts, Mrs. O. Stine, Mrs. L. Zimonte.

### **2. CHRISTIAN HOME AND FAMILY**

P. Nyamukapa (Chm), P. Gurupira (Vice-Chm), A. Katsande (Sec), Mrs. H. Anfinen, Mrs. J. Bisby, S. Chibanda, Mrs. J. Chitombo, Mrs. M. Culver, Mrs. N. Dikanifuwa, Mrs. P. Kasambira, H. Katsidzira, Mrs. R. Kauffman, P. Madziwa, Mrs. O. Manjangwa, W. Mandisodza, A. Mazarura, Mrs. S. Munjoma, Mrs. D. Mushapaidze, A. Mutsago, C. Nduna, Mrs. B. Post, E. Saburi, Mrs. E. Saburi, Mrs. E. L. Sells, Mrs. O. Stine, Mrs. B. Simonsson.

### **3. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

N. Dikanifuwa (Chm), J. Nemaungwe (Vice-Chm), Miss S. Himes, (Sec), Miss M. Ball, K. Chikwinya, Mrs. E. Chimbwanda, N. Chiwara, L. Eisenberg, E. Heyer, M. Johnson, M. Kaisi, S. Kundishora, G. Mandisha, H. Matongo, J. Mutambara, Miss E. Russell, District Christian Education workers, MYF president, secretary, and advisors.

### **4. SCHOOLS**

S. Tsopotsa (Chm), A. Leiknes (Vice-Chm), B. Chikoore, L. Chikukwa, T. Chimbwanda, N. Chiwara, L. Dewey, Miss F. Hackler, R. Harmon, L. Hillendahl, Miss J. Janssen, J. Katonha, M. Machiri, P. Madziwa, Z. Magunde, (S. Makawa, Alt), P. Mudzingwa, E. Mukonde, T. Mushapaidze, W. Muzarewetu, E. Nyamapfene, Miss G. Otto, Miss V. Otto, B. Rugayo, A. Rusike, F. Tsopotsa, the school managers and principals.



## **5. WORSHIP AND MUSIC**

M. Chiza (Vice-Chm), J. Chidzikwe, D. Chikosi, Mrs. M. Culver, J. Gurure, E. Jangano, Miss J. Janssen, E. Kachingwe, M. Kaisi, R. Kauffman, A. Machakaire, E. Machiri, P. Machiri, P. J. Machiri, E. Matongo, M. Murphree, S. Muzulu, K. Mvudidu, D. Nyamurowa, Mrs. M. Piburn, B. Rugayo, Miss E. Russell, K. M. Sitole, W. Tauro, N. Thomas.

## **B. SECOND GROUP**

### **1. AUDIO-VISUAL**

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### **2. EVANGELISM**

M. Chiza (Chm), M. Murphree (Conf. Sec. of Evangelism), L. Bloomquist, L. Chieza, D. Chikosi, J. Chimbadzwa, E. Chimbanga, D. Chipaumire, T. Curtis, I. Dube, L. Eisenberg, H. Griffin, J. Jijita, J. Kawadza, C. LeMasters, P. Machakaire, N. Madzinga, D. Mudzengerere, S. Munjoma, I. Murapa, N. Muswe, S. B. Mutambara, J. Muziti, R. Noah, P. Nyamukapa, G. Otto, O. Stine.

### **3. FINANCE**

F. Tsopotsa (Chm), E. Matongo (Vice-Chm), C. Miller (Sec), H. Anfinen, N. Chigubu, B. Chikoore, L. Chikukwa, D. Chinogurei, Miss M. Deyo, K. Eriksson, J. Gurure, A. Katsande, S. Kowo, E. Landin, Z. Mandiambira, W. Marima, S. Mashingaidze, R. Matongo, E. Nyamapfene, J. Rugayo.

### **4. TEMPERANCE**

N. Dikanifuwa (Chm), E. Mvumi, (Vice-Chm), L. Zimonte (Sec), Miss M. Ball, G. Close, A. Gowero, P. Gurupira, Mrs. E. Munjoma, P. C. Kajese, J. Nduna, G. Rakabopa, R. Matongo, E. Matzigkeit.

## **C. THIRD GROUP**

### **1. LAY ACTIVITIES**

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## 2. MATTERS OF DISCIPLINE

L. Chieza, J. B. Jijita, K. Eriksson, D. Makuto.

## 3. MEMOIRS

P. Machiri, J. Maramba, H. Chiza, J. Bisby.

## 4. MINISTRY

1964—L. Blomquist (Chm), T. Curtis (Sec), M. Chiza, P. Nyamukapa.

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

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

## 5. PUBLICATIONS

E. Matzigkeit (Chm), B. Ruwodo (Sec), Miss M. Ball, N. Chiwota, L. Eisenberg, Mrs. B. Higgs, L. Hillendahl, M. Johnson, R. Kauffman, Mrs. W. Kinyon, P. J. Machiri, D. Matanga, Mrs. C. Miller, Mrs. M. Murphree, B. Mute-ngambiri, B. Simonsson, Miss I. Scovil, Miss M. Taylor.

## 6. STUDENT LOANS

J. Makawa (Chm), D. Chikosi, L. Dewey, H. Eisenberg, E. Heyer, E. Jangano, W. Kodzai, S. Kundishora, B. Mute-ngambiri, Z. Mwadiambira, E. Parks, P. Wild.

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## 1. AGRICULTURE

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## 2. CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS

B. Mutambara (Chm), R. Hughes (Sec), S. Carroll, D. Chinogurei, Mrs. L. Eisenberg, G. Gonah, Z. Gwanzura, Mrs. L. Hillendahl, A. Karumbidza, S. Kowo, D. Machiri, C. Miller, M. Murphree, A. Rusike, K. Sitole, Mrs. B. Simonsson, C. Taylor, N. Thomas, M. Wakatama.

## 3. Deaconess

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## 4. HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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## 5. MEDICAL

M. Piburn (Chm), J. Chidzikwe, (Vice-Chm), E. Ashby (Sec), Mrs. J. Bisby, H. Chiza, G. Close, H. Deale, Miss M. Johannson, Mrs. M. Johnson, Mrs. A. Kapenzi, T. Kuture, D. Rudy, K. Sitole, S. Tsopotsa, A. Whanger.

## **6. TRUSTEES**

- 1964—Field Treasurer, D.W.M., Simon Kowo, Ernest Sells, with N. Dikanifuwa as alternate.  
1965—Conference Secretary, Legal Representative, Conference Lay Leader, with E. Mwoera as alt.  
1966—S. Chibanda, J. Kawadza, with N. Thomas as alternate.

## **E. FIFTH GROUP**

### **1. MISSIONS (NGARIENDE)**

J. Kawadza (Chm), J. Chitombo (Vice-Chm), S. Kowo (Sec), K. Choto (Theas), A. Bepete, S. Chibanda, J. Chidzikwe, S. Kajese, M. Machiri, Madzimbamuto, J. Makuto, W. Marima, Masosonore, M. Mparutsa, E. Munjoma, S. Pairamanzi, B. Ruwodo.

### **2. NOMINATIONS**

J. T. Chitombo, M. Chiza, M. Culver, L. Eisenberg, G. R. Gonah, L. Hillendahl, T. Kuture, M. Murphree, B. B. Mutambara, A. Muzorewa, P. Nyamukapa, Conference Secretary.

### **3. PENSIONS AND CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS**

- 1964—J. Kawadza, P. Gurupira, R. Noah  
1965—S. Muzulu, L. Chikukwa, E. Heyer  
1966—S. Munjoma, P. Bwawa, R. Hughes

### **COMMITTEES FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

#### **DAILY PROCEEDINGS**

N. Dikanifuwa, G. Otto, R. Noah

#### **PROGRAMME**

Conf. Sec. (Chm), D.S., pastor and chairman of station where Annual Conference is to be held.

#### **PUBLICITY FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

S. Carroll, N. Dikanifuwa, B. Hughes, S. Kowo, E. L. Sells

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

E. Kuwana (Chm), L. Chikukwa (Sec), Mrs. S. Muzulu, D., Matanga.

### **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

#### **Committee to Study Full Registered Nurses' Training**

E Ashby, M. Bayliss, M. Johannson, Mrs. A. Kapenzi, M. Piburn.

#### **Study Committee for an Autonomous Methodist Church**

J. Chitombo, M. Chiza, K. Choto, J. Kawadza, I. Musamba, S. Tsopotsa.

#### **Educational Study Committee**

Administrative assistants, the district superintendents, the principals, 3 school managers (S. Kundishora, J. Bisby, A. Alvord), B. Mutambara, P. Mudiwa, K. Eriksson, C. Taylor, W. Kinyon.

## ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES AND DELEGATES

### General Conference, 1964

Ministerial: J. Chidzikwe (K. Eriksson, alternate)

Lay: S. Tsopotsa (I. Musamba, alternate)

### Africa Central Conference, 1964

Laymen: S. Tsopotsa, I. Musamba, S. Chibanda, B. Chikoore, N. A. Gandanzara, K. M. Sithole, G. Gonah, Mrs. L. Zimonte, Mrs. D. Mudzengerere.

Alternates: N. Kaseke, S. B. Mutambara, M. Piburn, H. Deale, W. Kinyon, E. Russell, Mrs. T. Roberts, R. Watson, T. Roberts.

Ministers: J. Chidzikwe, K. Eriksson, J. Kawadza, P. Nyamukapa, M. Murphree, S. Munjoma, M. Chiza, E. Matongo, V. Otto.

Alternates: O. Stine, M. Culver, T. Curtis, S. Kowo, D. Chikosi, J. Chitombo, E. Chimbganda, H. Griffin, A. Muzorewa.

### Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference

Executive: M. Wakatama, A. Alvord.

Literature Committee: Conference Director of Publications, Planning Editor, Press Manager, B. Ruwodo (alt).

Medical Committee: M. Piburn, Mrs. A. Kapenzi, G. Close (alt).

Education Committee: S. Tsopotsa, C. Taylor, T. Matanga (alt).

Evangelism Committee: S. Kowo, M. Murphree, P. Nyamukapa (alt).

Sunday Schools Committee: V. Culver, E. Samudzimu, N. Thomas (alt).

Visual Aids Committee: E. L. Sells, E. Jijita, S. Carroll (alternate).

### Methodist Council (with Synod)

Bishop or his assistant, M. Culver, J. Chitombo, M. Deyo.

Alternates: L. Eisenberg, B. Chikoore, V. Otto.

### Theological Training Council

African ministers: J. Chidzikwe, K. Choto, with D. Mudzengerere as alternate.

European ministers: O. Stine, L. Hillendahi, with T. Curtis as alternate.

African laymen: S. Tsopotsa, E. Mazaiwana (alt).

European laymen: W. Kinyon, L. Dewey (alt).

European woman worker: M. Deyo, E. Parks (alt).

## **Fraternal Delegates**

**SYNOD:** Bishop

L. Hillendahl—T. Curtis (alt.)

M. Johannson—V. Otto (alt.)

N. Dikanifuwa—N. Chiwota (alt.)

A. Machakairi—W. Muzarawetu (alt.)

**AMERICAN BOARD:** M. Chiza—R. Hughes (alt.)

**AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH:**

N. Chigubu—A. Alvord (alt.)

*Angola:* C. Miller, S. Muzulu (alt.)

*Katanga:* D. Chikosi, R. Hughes (alt.)

*Mozambique:* J. Nemaungwe, E. Chimbwanda (alt.)

*Central Congo:* E. Heyer, K. Sitole (alt.)

## **Evangelical Association (Beira)**

T. Curtis, E. Matongo

## **Hilltop Christian Centre Board of Directors**

1964—D. Maenzanise

1965—W. Kinyon

1966—Umtali South district superintendent

## **African Girls' Hostel Committee**

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).

## **FOR THE RECORD**

### **The Committee on Coordination**

#### **Members**

M. Wakatama M. Ball K. Eriksson Mrs. Dangarembwa

J. Chitombo M. Taylor M. Murphree Mrs. Chikosi

P. Nyamukapa G. Otto H. Griffin Mrs. Zimonte

I. Musamba E. Parks G. Fleshman Mrs. Chiza

D. Sadza F. Hackler C. Miller Mrs. Kuture

#### **Alternates**

A. Dangarembwa V. Otto M. Culver Mrs. Dikanifuwa

M. Chiza J. Pfaff G. Downie Mrs. Mandisodza

S. Kowo E. Roed B. Smalley Mrs. E. Munjoma

J. Kawadza M. Johannson O. Stine Mrs. Chidzikwe

E. deVries J. Schevenius Mrs. Charewedza

OFFICERS: Ralph E. Dodge (Chairman),  
K. Eriksson (Vice-Chairman), E. Russell (Secretary)

OFFICERS OF MISSIONARY COMMITTEE: C. Miller  
(Chm), S. Smalley (Sec).

Joint Field Treasurer: M. Deyo

Missionary Correspondent: O. Stine

Bishop's Administrative Assistant: O. Stine (until Oct.1)  
J. Kawadza (after Oct. 1)

Educational Assistant: I. Musamba

## LEADERS OF ORGANIZATIONS

### African Christian Convention

NORTHERN: Committee on agenda—Mr. Dondo,  
N. Muswe, N. Madzinga, I. Chingwena, S. Makawa,  
E. Chimbwanda.

Advisors: H. Griffin, E. deVries.

SOUTHERN: S. Munjoma (Chm), S. D. Kasambira (Vice-  
Chm), E. Matongo (Sec), M. Mataranyika (Vice-Sec),  
S. Zuze (Treas), Committee members: J. Chingono,  
J. Machiri, K. Mhandu.

Advisors: C. Miller, L. Eisenberg.

### Methodist Youth Fellowship (M.Y.F.)

Samuel Matimba, President

Paul Katsande, Vice-President

Rezen Nyamapfene, Secretary

Isaac Mudehwe, Treasurer

Edgar Chambara, Publicity

Miss Shirley Himes, David Samudzimu, Advisors

### Rukwadzano rwe Wadzimai

NORTHERN: Mesdames D. Mudzengerere (Chm), M.  
Chiza (Vice-Chm), E. Jijita (Sec), C. Chimbwanda (Vice-  
Sec), A. Kajese (Treas). Advisor: Mrs. M. Murphree.

SOUTHERN: Mesdames E. Munjoma (Chm), E. Jangano  
(Vice-Chm), L. Zimonte (Sec), S. Munjoma (Vice-Sec),  
A. Kajese (Treas). Advisor: Mrs. H. Griffin.

### Wabvuwi

NORTHERN: J. P. Mutizi (Chm), I. Chingwena (Vice-  
Chm), P. Kabunze (Sec), J. Kazingazi (Treas).

Advisor: J. Kawadza.

SOUTHERN: C. S. Zisengwe (Chm), P. K. Mudiwa (Vice-  
Chm), R. Chitakatira (Sec), A. Magwere (Vice-Sec),  
I. Murapa (Treas). Advisor: J. Chitombo.

# CONFERENCE ROLL

## II A. Members of the Conference

(Year indicates beginning of Conference Membership,  
"p" indicates present).

### 1. RETIRED MINISTERS

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

### 2. EFFECTIVE MINISTERS

- 1953 Aldrich, Sylvia, on retirement furlough, Hadley, Michigan
- 1959 p Alvord, Alexander, P.O. Box 196, Rusape
- 1948 Anfinsen, Hans F., on furlough, c/o Tertnes pr. Bergen, Norway
- 1953 Ball, Marcia M., on furlough, Boston University School of Theology, 745 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston 15, Mass.
- 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. Mutambara
- 1955 Chimbanga, Elijah, studying abroad
- 1956 p Chinogurei, David, P.B. 56, Headlands
- 1933 p Chitombo, Jonah, P.O. Mutambara
- 1952 p Chiza, Martin, Epworth Theological College, P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury
- 1948 Choto, Kenneth, 1223 S/D Harare, Salisbury
- 1959 p Chiwota, Nathaniel, P.B. P59, Umtali
- 1943 p Culver, Maurice E., on furlough
- 1957 p Curtis, Thomas L., P.B. P7024, Umtali
- 1954 p Dikanifuwa, Nason, P.O. Box 3002, Sakubwa
- 1943 p Eisenberg, Lawrence, P.O. Watsomba
- 1943 p Eriksson, Kare E., Epworth Theological College, P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury
- 1949 Fink, Omar R., Riverside Park Meth. Ch., Jacksonville, Fla.
- 1923 Gates, Robert C., on retirement furlough
- 1956 Goodloe, Robert W., Hendricks College, Conway, Arkansas
- 1948 Griffin, Hunter D., on furlough
- 1952 p Gurupira, Philemon, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
- 1948 Harper, Kenneth, 366 Transylvania Park, Lexington, Ky.
- 1937 Hassing, Per, Boston University School of Theology, 745 Commonwealth Ave., Boston 15, Massachusetts
- 1959 p Heyer, Edward, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
- 1960 p Hillendahl, Louis, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
- 1960 p Hughes, Robert E., 6A Galway Rd., Avondale, Salisbury
- 1948 Jangano, Eliah, P.O. Penhalonga
- 1953 p Jigita, John B., P.O. Box 196, Rusape
- p Johnson, Morgan, P.B. P7024, Umtali
- 1942 p Kajese, Amon C., P.O. Mtoko
- 1932 Kasambira, Silas P., P.B. C314, Umtali

- 1955 Katsande, Alfred, studying abroad  
 1953 p Kawadza, Jonah, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa  
 1953 p Kowo, Simon, 1951 New Highfields, Salisbury  
 1953 p Kuwana, Elisha, P.O. Mtoko  
 1958 p Leiknes, Asbjorn, on furlough  
 1933 p Machiri, Jonah, Chipfatsura, P.B. 17, Odzi  
 1930 p Machiri, Patrick, P.B. 8056, Rusape  
 1953 Madzinga, Nason, studying abroad  
 1948 Makuto, Daniel, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa  
 1942 p Mandisodza, Wilson, Muziti School, P.B. 8052, Rusape  
 1930 p Maramba, Johnson, P.O. Box 377, Umtali  
 1955 p Matongo, Ezekiel, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba  
 1951 p Miller, Charles M., 3 Dawson St., Umtali  
 1959 p Mudzengerere, David L., P.O. Nyanyadzi  
 1942 p Munjoma, Samuel, Q20, Muzilikazi Township, Bulawayo  
 1928 p Muparutsa, Moses, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1953 Mushapaidze, Davison, P.O. Mtoko  
 1954 p Murphree, Marshall W., Hawkshead Drive,  
 P.O. Borrowdale, Salisbury  
 1953 Muzorewa, Abel, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1953 p Nemaungwe, John R., P.O. Box 21, Mrewa  
 p Noah, Raymond, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1948 p Nyamukapa, Patron, P.O. Mutambara  
 p Nyamurowa, Dennison, Chitimbe School, Box 34, Mrewa  
 1953 p Otto, Grace, P.O. Mutambara  
 1953 p Otto, Vivian, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1921 p Sells, E. L., P.O. Box 8406, Causeway, Salisbury  
 1943 p Stine, Ovid, Box 8293 Causeway, Salisbury  
 1955 p Thomas, Norman, Arnoldine, P.O. Headlands  
 1954 p Zuze, Solomon, P.B. 214M, Umtali

### 3. LAY MEMBERS

#### MREWA DISTRICT

**Headlands:** P. Machakaire, Magura School, P.O. Box 25, Headlands  
**Chikore-Tanda:** P. Mudzingwa, Ruredzo Motors, Rm. 1587 S/D,  
 P.O. Harare

**Salisbury, Harare:** H. Chiza, B.S.A. Police, P.O. Box 8027, Causeway  
**Salisbury, Highfields:** D. Maringanise, M. 51 Old Highfield,  
 P.O. Highfield  
 D. Machiri, No. 4122, New Highfield,  
 P.O. Highfield

**Mrewa North:** B. Chikoore, Nyamashato School, Box 47, Mrewa

**Mrewa West:** Goodwill R. Gonah, Nyamutumbu School,  
 P.B. 645E, Salisbury

**Mrewa East:** B. Chikoore, Chiguri School, Chipinda Store,  
 P.B. 10, Mrewa

**Mrewa South:** J. Katonha, Hokodzi School, P.O. Box 1, Mrewa

**Mrewa Centre:** A. Machakaire, Mrewa Meth. Ctr., Box 62, Mrewa

#### MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT

**Mtoko South:** Langton Chikukwa, Katsukunya, P.O. Mtoko

**Mtoko East:** Zachariah Magunde, c/o Bondamakara School,  
 P.O. Mtoko

**Mtoko North:** Stanley Chibanda, c/o Matakanure Store,  
 P.O. Box 19, Mtoko

**Chikwizo:** Th. Chimbganda, c/o Chikwizo School, P.O. Mtoko

**Maramba-Pfungwe:** W. Masangudza, Dindi School, P.B. 49, Mrewa

**Uzumba:** Nason Kaseke, P.B. 34, Mrewa

**Nyadiri Circuit:** James J. Matanhire, P.B. 636E, Salisbury

**Mtoko West:** Anderson Rusike, Chindenga School, P.O. Mtoko

**Nyadiri Centre:** T. Kuture, Nyadiri Meth. Ctr., P.B. 636E, Salisb'y



## **MTASA-MAKONI DISTRICT**

- Nyakatsapa:** A. Karumbidza, Vumbunu Meth. Schl., P.O. Watsomba  
**Inyanga North:** Zachariah Manditsera, Buwu Methodist School,  
Mutsenga, P.B. J7101, Umtali  
**Penhalonga-Mudenda:** J. Gonye, Methodist Church, P.O. Odzi  
**Gandanzara:** Peter Bwawa, Sherukuru School, P.B. 8009, Rusape  
**Chiduku North:** Winslow Gombedza, Muziti Schl, P.B. 8052, Rusape  
**Chiduku South:** N. Chiwara, Chitenderano School, P.O. Box 86,  
Inyazura.  
**Old Umtali:** Samuel Tsopotsa, O.U. Meth. Ctr., P.B. P7024, Umtali  
William Marima, O.U. Meth. Ctr., P.B. P7024, Umtali  
**Rusape-Inyazura-Railway:** Naboth Gandanzara, Internal Affairs,  
P.O. Box 96, Rusape  
**Wesley-Rusape:** Mrs. A. Alvord, P.O. Box 196, Rusape

## **UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT**

- Maranke North:** Zachariah Mandiambira, Chanyuka Store,  
P.O. Box 336, Umtali  
**Maranke South:** Wonder Mutsago, Mutsago Methodist Church,  
P.B. 7006, Umtali  
**Maranke Central:** David L. Matanga, Mt. Makomwe Methodist  
School, P.B. 1, Odzi  
**Mutambara East:** Elliott Mukonde, Matendeudze School,  
P.O. Mutambara  
**Mutambara West:** Bernard Mutambara, Chitimani Store,  
P.B. C7315, Umtali  
**Nyanyadzi:** Benjamin Mutambara, Nyanyadzi Methodist School,  
P.O. Nyanyadzi  
**Zimunya South:** Elijah T. B. Mvumi, Mabiya School,  
Chikonzo & Sons Store, P.B. M7220, Umtali  
**Zimunya North:** Wellington Muzarewetu, Chitakatira School,  
P.B. 7058, Umtali  
**Miller Memorial, Sakubva:** Isaac J. Murapa, c/o No. 14,  
Sakubva Road, Umtali  
**Mutambara Centre:** Knight Sithole, P.O. Mutambara

## **B. MINISTERS ON TRIAL**

- 1963 p Gurure, J. Johnstone, Chamapango School,  
P.O. Box 62, Mrewa.  
p Harmon, Roger, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa  
1962 p Jijita, Elliot, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
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 p Munjoma John, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
1962 p Muziti, Josiah, P.B. J125, Umtali

## **C. APPROVED SUPPLY PASTORS**

- Chapata, Edward, Nyamutumbu School, P.B. 645E, Salisbury  
Chikodzi, Elia, P.B. P59, Umtali  
Chipaumire, David, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
Dube, P., P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali  
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, J., P.O. Box 10, Mrewa  
Matambanadzo, Annual, Dindi School, P.B. 49, Mrewa  
Mawokomatanda, Isaac, P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali  
Mhandu, Kenneth, Nyamukwarara School, c/o Stapleford Forest  
Reserve, P.B. 72, Penhalonga  
Murahwa, Silas, Nyautare, Dumba Store, P.B. 10, Inyanga  
Muswe, N., P.O. Box 57, Mtoko  
Mutanga, Evison, Chikuhwa School, P.B. 14, Mrewa

## D. OTHER CONFERENCE WORKERS

### OTHER MISSIONARIES OF THE DIVISION OF WORLD MISSIONS

#### a. Retired

- 1952 Aeschliman, Mrs. Myrtle, 2951 Calderwood Lane,  
Sacramento 21, California, U.S.A.  
1907 Gates, Mrs. H. L. Pickering, Ontario, Canada  
1923 Gates, Mildred, c/o C. M. Blake, Board of Missions of the  
Methodist Church, 475 Riverside Dr., New York 27, N.Y., USA  
1926 Hanson, Ruth, Siknas, Norrbottens, Lan, Sweden  
1920 Murphree, Mrs. M. J., P.O. Box 108, Oneonta, Alabama, USA  
1910 O'Farrell, Mrs. T. A., 417 Kitchell Ave., Pana Illinois, USA  
1952 Sheretz, D. Lamar, 2905 Randolph Rd., Silver Springs,  
Maryland, USA  
1952 Sheretz, Mrs. D. L.

#### b. Effective

- 1959 Alvord, Dorothy, P.O. Box 196, Rusape  
1951 Anfinssen, Odney, on furlough, c/o A. Anfinssen,  
Tertnes pr. Bergen, Norway  
1961 Bisby, Dorothy, P.O. Mutambara  
1947 Blomquist, Maj-stina, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko  
1960 Carroll, Seavy, P.O. Box 3551, Salisbury  
1960 Carroll, Virginia  
1961 Close, Gerald, P.O. Mutambara  
1961 Close, Miriam  
1944 Culver, Verna, on furlough  
1957 Curtis, Margaret, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
1961 Deale, Hugh, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
1961 Deale, Marjorie  
1960 Dewey, Lloyd, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
1960 Dewey, Joyce  
1961 Eisenberg, Helen, P.O. Watsomba  
1943 Eriksson, Osta, Epworth Theological College,  
P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury  
1955 Fink, Marianne, on leave, 2571 St. Johns Ave.,  
Jacksonville 4, Florida  
1961 Finster, William, 140 Fern Rd., P.O. Hatfield, Salisbury  
1961 Finster, Esther  
1958 Fleshman, George, on leave, 421 Jennings Ave.,  
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio  
1958 Fleshman, Flora  
1951 Griffin, Ellabeth, P.B. P7024, Umtali (after Oct. 1)  
1962 Harmon, Nancy, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa  
1959 Heyer, Jane, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
1949 Higgs, Barnie, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
1949 Higgs, Mary  
1960 Hillendahi, Mary, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko  
1961 Hughes, Dorothy, 6A Galway, P.O. Avondale, Salisbury  
1961 Johnson, Rosalie, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
1960 Kauffman, Robert, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
1960 Kauffman, Marjorie  
1950 Kinyon, Wallace, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
1950 Kinyon, Eunice  
1959 Landin, Ernest, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
1959 Landin, Alice  
1948 Leiknes, Astrid, on furlough, Jens Risoensgt 127,  
Haugesund, Norway  
1961 LeMasters, Charles, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
1961 LeMasters, Rose  
1956 Matzigkeit, Everett, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
1956 Matzigkeit, Ruth  
1954 Miller, Ellen, 3 Dawson St., Umtali  
1955 Murphree, Betty Jo, Hawkshead Dr., P.O. Borrowdale, Slby

1961 Noah, Cleo, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1960 Perry, Jim, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1960 Perry, Caroline  
 1953 Piburn, Carolyn, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1953 Piburn, Marvin, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1946 Roberts, Tudor, P.O. Mutambara  
 1946 Roberts, Emily  
 1962 Rudy, Donald, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1962 Rudy, Ruth  
 1957 Schevenius, John, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa (after Oct. 1)  
 1957 Schevenius, Ruth  
 1929 Sells, Olga, P.O. Box 8406, Causeway, Salisbury  
 1955 Simonsson, Bengt, P.O. Box 1319, Kitwe  
 1955 Simonsson, Marta  
 1952 Smalley, Bruce, on furlough, 494 North St., E. Aurora, N.Y.  
 1952 Smalley, Sallie  
 1943 Stine, Mava, P.O. Box 8293, Causeway, Salisbury  
 1961 Taylor, Clagett, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa  
 1961 Taylor, Patricia  
 1962 Thomas, Winnie, Arnoldine Meth. Centre, P.O. Headlands  
 1962 Watson, Raymond, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1962 Watson, Vivian  
 1961 Whanger, Alan, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1961 Whanger, Mary

#### OTHER MISSIONARIES OF THE WOMEN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

##### a. Retired

1912 Clark, Grace, 275 Robincroft Dr., Pasadena 6, Calif.  
 1944 DeVries, Evelyn, 5636 Fruitland Road NE, Salem, Oregon  
 1915 Hess, Stella, Brookes-Howell W.S.C.S. Home, Asheville, N.C.  
 1950 Jones, Pearl Willis, 500 Faber Dr., Falls Church, Virginia  
 1923 King, Sarah, P.O. Box 388, Rt. 2, Fillmore, Calif.  
 1952 Nutting, Clara, 5408 Blackstone Ave., Chicago 15, Illinois  
 1920 Parmenter, Ona, 275 Robincroft Dr., Pasadena 6, Calif.  
 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  
 1937 Whitney, Alice, 7715 Valmont St., Tayunga, Calif.

##### b. Effective

1945 Ashby, Elma, on furlough  
 1957 Bayliss, Marion, on furlough, 806 Oxford House, 21st Ave.  
 South, Nashville, Tenn.  
 1963 Boyd, Grace, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1963 Comstock, Marjorie, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1939 Deyo, Marguerite, P.O. Box 8293, Causeway, Salisbury  
 1947 Hackler, Frances, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1947 Hervold, Signhild, on furlough, Gerh. Munthe's gt. 1,  
 Hamar, Norway  
 1962 Himes, Shirley, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1961 Janssen, Jean, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa  
 1947 Johannson, Margit, P.O. Mutambara  
 1954 Larsen, Jenny, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1955 Lind, Ruth, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1962 Martiny, Joanne, P.O. Mutambara  
 1938 Parks, Edith, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa  
 1929 Pfaff, Jessie, on furlough  
 1961 Post, Eunice, P.O. Mutambara  
 1957 Roed, Elsie, on leave, Enerbaervej 3, Risskov, Denmark  
 1952 Russell, Esther, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1925 Scovill, Ila, Shona Language School, P.O. Watsomba

- 1962 Short, Joanne, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
1951 Sweeney, Ellen, on leave, 4035 Cheviot Drive, Louisville,  
Kentucky  
1947 Taylor, Mildred, on furlough, 1610 Olive St., Decatur, Alab.  
1961 Temperly, Joanne, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
1960 Way, Jane, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
1961 Wild, Patricia, P.O. Mutambara

#### **SPECIAL WORKERS**

- Allen, Mrs. Patricia, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
Gazeley, Mrs. Wilhelmina, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
Kenney, Charles, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
O'Brien, Roger, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
Paulsen, Sverre (Sent by the Methodist Church in Norway),  
P.O. Mutambara  
Paulsen, Mrs. S.  
Porteous, Miss Anna, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
Stuart, Robert, P.O. Box 8293, Causeway, Salisbury

### **Part III**

## **Rhodesia Annual Conference Twenty - Fourth Session DAILY PROCEEDINGS**

**MONDAY, 29 MARCH, 1963—OPENING SERVICE—7:30 P.M.**

Bishop R. E. Dodge gave an episcopal address concerning the church's contributions to life in Southern Rhodesia. The rite of Holy Communion was administered by J. Chitombo, O. Stine, K. Ericksson, S. Munjoma, and P. Nyamukapa. There were 188 persons who received Communion.

**TUESDAY, 30 APRIL, 1963—DEVOTIONS—8:30 A.M.**

Bishop Dodge announced that he would speak in the morning devotions on Christ and five qualities that Christ possessed which Christians should exemplify. He spoke today on the quality of love.

**FIRST BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.**

1. **ROLL CALL:** The Roll of Conference was called by the secretaries. It was decided to add the addresses and the circuits of the lay delegates.

2. **CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP:** A question arose about membership in Annual Conference. Answers and clarification were: That an ordained minister is always a member; supply pastors are not members but should be present at conference if active; and retired ministers are not required to attend the sessions.

Excuses were presented and accepted by the conference from S. Zuze, O. Manjengwa, N. Chiwota, J. Chimbadzwa, D. Makuto, and D. Mushapaidze.

*Reports to Conference:* A motion to the effect that members outside the boundaries of this conference submit a report to the annual conference was seconded and carried. (This would apply to missionaries only if absent on furlough exceeding one year).

3. **RIGHTS OF THE FLOOR:** Anyone present can raise his hand to speak and then the conference can grant or withhold permission for participation. A request of this nature should be made through the Committee on Privileges.

4. **BAR OF CONFERENCE:** The first nine pews on each side of the main sanctuary were reserved and established as the bar of the Conference. Guests were permitted to sit at the sides of the sanctuary or behind the bar.

5. **INTRODUCTIONS:** Rev. E. Musa from Harare (Synod), and Rev. L. Weiner from Mt. Selinda (American Board) were introduced as guests. Other introductions included two delegates from the Independent African Church, Mr. Gata, laymen and secretary of the church, and Mr. M. Baiwa, layman. A warm welcome to all visitors from sister churches was extended by Bishop Dodge.

6. INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE: The following were appointed to the investigating committee on the character of any minister: E. Kuwana (chairman), L. Hillendahl, J. Jijita, P. Machiri, and M. Murphree.

7. INTERPRETERS: Rev. M. Chiza was elected interpreter and J. Chidzikwe as first alternate and M. Muparutsa as second alternate.

8. SECRETARIES: It was moved and seconded that S. Kowo and J. Muziti be assistant secretaries and pages. This was carried by the Conference.

9. COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES: Mr. M. Chiza was elected to serve as chairman of this committee with two other members appointed by the Bishop. The two appointed were D. Chinogurei and W. Muzaruwetu.

10. DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORT: The District Superintendents' Report was read by L. Blomquist. O. Stine moved to refer the question that the name "Rusambo" be added to Pfungwe-Maramba in the Board of Evangelism report. This motion was seconded and carried. The report was accepted by the Conference.

11. PRINTING OF CONFERENCE JOURNAL: M. Culver moved that a committee be appointed to bring back a detailed and specific report on the cost of the journal. A motion for referral to the Conference Finance Committee, in consultation with Mr. Matzigkeit, the printer, was carried.

NOONDAY DEVOTIONS: Rev. J. Chidzikwe

Rev. Chidzikwe announced "The Equipment of the Church" as the theme for the week. He spoke on prayer as the first equipment of the church.

#### SECOND BUSINESS SESSION—2:00 P.M.

12. INTRODUCTIONS: Rev. J. Chitombo introduced Chief Mutambara, Ishe James Mutambara, Rev. E. Munjoma and Mr. Mukundu. After the Bishop's welcome, Chief Mutambara greeted the Conference. Bishop Dodge introduced Rev. Machingura of the African Independent Church.

13. BOARD OF EVANGELISM: C. LeMasters read report.

Item 1. D. Nyamurowa reported on the Chesa area. Conference Methodists seek freedom to worship as they like. They wish freedom to testify in church, to wear the Conference Rukwadzano uniform. They oppose both smoking and drinking by church members.

Item 2. Bishop Dodge clarified that 1) a supply pastor must be a pastor of a circuit in order to administer the sacraments; 2) can be appointed to give sacraments for only one year at a time; and 3) has to be approved by the Annual Conference yearly.

Item 4. It was reported that this course is now available in Shona.

Item 10. M. Murphree moved that head teachers may be appointed regardless of their church affiliation who are effective Christian churchmen. The motion was seconded and carried.

Item 11. B. Smalley recommended that missionary laymen be designated to work with leaders of Wabvuwi, if so requested, to see that training in evangelism is given to their members. This addition was accepted by the committee.

Item 13. An amendment by T. Curtis that evangelists work with the congregations in the Honde Valley "at the request of the congregations," was seconded and carried.

Item 14 and 15. M. Culver mover to have the Board of Evangelism appoint a commission to study these items and come up with definite proposals. Seconded and carried.

The Evangelism report was then accepted.

### WEDNESDAY, 1 MAY, 1963

MORNING DEVOTIONS: Bishop Dodge spoke on a second quality exemplified by Jesus—that of submission, a willingness to be flexible in His life.

### THIRD BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.

14. COMMITTEE ON DAILY PROCEEDINGS: The following additional appointments were made: N. Dikanifuwa, G. Otto.

15. RUKWADZANO: The report was read by Mrs. D. Muzengerere. B. Smalley suggested that the RRW examine the policy of having laywomen as conference leaders of the RRW, and not only the wives of pastors.

Appreciation was expressed to the RRW for their work in the church. The report was accepted.

16. WABVUWI: C. Zisengwe read the Wabvuwi South report and J. Kawadza, the Wabvuwi North report.

S. Kowo recommended to the Wabvuwi that they have a single treasurer for both North and South. The recommendation was seconded and carried.

A request has been presented to the Board of Lay Activities in the United States that a Wabvuwi member make a trip overseas, but no reply has yet come. (See 1962 *Journal*, page 119). The report was accepted.

17. INTRODUCTIONS: The representatives for Chief Zimunya—Fred Zimunya and Gibson Mvumi—and the representatives for Chief Maranke—Parowa Maranke Semukadzi and Oliver Maranke—were presented to the Conference. The Bishop extended a welcome to the chiefs' representatives. The representatives greeted the Conference on behalf of their chiefs.

18. NGARIENDE: The report was read by S. Kowo. In addition to the report it was stated that: 1) Mai Makuto has been carrying on the work during the absence of Rev. Makuto because of illness. 2) The people are developing rapidly and may soon be able to carry a large part of the responsibilities in the near future. The report was accepted.

19. CHRISTIAN CONVENTION SOUTH: The report was read by E. Matongo, with the various sections dealt with as follows:

Item 1 was referred to the Schools Committee:

Item 3 was referred to the Schools Committee

Item 4 was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Item 5. Add: (4) Evangelism—Members of the Board of Evangelism.

Item 6. S. Tsopotsa moved that item 6, "that any boy after spoiling a girl, should pay the damages first, then begin to support her until she is married by another man," be deleted and the rest of the report be accepted. The motion was seconded and carried. It was also referred to the RRW Executive.

J. Chitombo moved that this report be the first in the Conference program in the future, so that suggestions could be referred to the proper committees in time. The suggestion was seconded and carried.

20. BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES: The report was read by I. Musamba. Item 1 was referred to the Finance Committee. NOONTIME DEVOTIONS: The devotions were led by Rev. J. Chidzikwe on being filled with the spirit of God.

#### FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION—2:00 P.M.

21. BOARD OF THE MINISTRY: The report was read by T. Curtis. M. Culver moved to approve the recommendation for admission of representatives of three church applying for membership in the Joint Theological Council (London Missionary Society, United Church of Christ, and Presbyterian Church of South Africa), and to authorize the Bishop to cast the Conference vote of agreement to the needed change in the constitution, if and when the amendment is voted by the Theological Training Council, in accordance with Article 16 of the constitution under which the council operates. The motion was seconded and carried.

Item 11 was referred to the Finance Committee for discussion. P. Nyamukapa moved that the question of pastors' salaries be referred to the Finance Committee. The motion was seconded and carried. The report was then adopted.

B. Smalley moved that by Conference action, the Committee on Coordination be requested to specify a category of scholarship funds and fund raising for the purpose of assisting our Conference pastors and pastoral candidates to obtain higher education. The fund is to be known as the *Aeschliman Memorial Scholarship*. The motion was seconded and referred to the Board of the Ministry.



22. **EXTENSION OF THE BAR OF THE CONFERENCE:** The bar was extended to eleven pews in the nave, instead of the nine previously set by the Conference.

23. **BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES** (continued)

An amendment was made so that No. 4 would read: "We urge the district superintendents, pastors and lay delegates, to explain to the people the things embodied in the Conference assessments." The amendment was seconded and carried. The report was accepted.

24. **COMMITTEE FOR PLANNING DISCUSSION CONFERENCE IN 1963:** The report was given by L. Eisenberg. The committee recommended that a planning discussion conference be held during the Christmas holidays, 1963. The Conference accepted this recommendation.

25. **COMMITTEE ON ADULTERY:** The report was given by A. Alvord. Item 2 was referred to the Temperance Committee. The committee's recommendations on schools were referred to the Schools Committee.

25. **DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS:** Disciplinary questions 8-24 Sec. B were taken up and answered. Two candidates for admission on trial were informed by the chairman of the Board of Ministry about questions that later will have to be answered before the Conference

#### **THURSDAY, 2 MAY, 1963**

**MORNING DEVOTIONS:** Devotions were conducted by Bishop Dodge, who spoke on humility as a quality of Jesus which we should exemplify.

#### **FIFTH BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.**

27. **BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** The report was read by S. KOWO. Item 3 was changed to read as follows: "The sites for the proposed homes for retired ministers, workers, and widows at Old Umtali, Nyadiri, and Mutambara as set out and recommended by the local executive committees have now been approved.

Item 4. The second sentence of item 4 should read as follows: "It is recommended after legal consultations that the projects for Nyadiri and Mutambara be approved and implemented following this Conference by the respective executive committees in consultation with and under the guidance of the land agent."

Item 7. (added) stated that all property in the future is to be held in the name of the Board of Trustees of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of The Methodist Church. This was carried.

By common consent the word "agent" should be used throughout and not the word "representative."

B. Smalley reported on the **NEW RETIREMENT SCHEME**  
The report of the Board of Trustees was accepted as amended.

28. FINANCE COMMITTEE: The report was given by F. Tsopotsa.

Item 5. N. Thomas moved to refer this back to the Finance Committee for further study. This motion was seconded and carried. T. Curtis moved that the matter of the Conference treasurer's expenses be referred back to the Committee on Finance. This motion was seconded and carried.

29. GREETINGS: The secretary was instructed to send greetings to the annual conferences meeting in Denmark and Sweden. This was carried.

30. GREETINGS WERE RECEIVED from the following

30. GREETINGS FROM the following people were received:

Winnie Makawa	Melvin Blake	Hunter Griffin family
Signhild Hervold	Elsa Roed	Rev. S. Chieza
Sylvia Aldrich	Abel Muzorewa	R. M. Ngonyama
O. Manjengwa	Rev. P. Chieza	Rev. M. Ball
J. S. Makuto	Mrs. J. Chidzikwe	John Wesley Kurewa

The four pastors at Drew: N. Madzinga, E. Chimbganda, A. Katsande, and S. Muzulu.

Regrets were received from The South Africa General Mission for not being able to attend the sessions.

The Conference decided that the secretary should send greetings from the Conference to each of these persons.

31. CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR 1964: After several proposals on the method of holding the Conference committee meetings the following method was decided upon by vote of the conference:

In 1964 all committee meetings are to be held at one set time and place at some time before Annual Conference in order to cut down on the cost of travel to and from Conference committee meetings.

NOONTIME DEVOTIONS: Noontime devotions were led by Rev. J. Chidzikwe who spoke on the Christian as a witness.

#### SIXTH BUSINESS SESSION—1:30 P.M.

32. INTRODUCTIONS: Rob Stuart, secretary to the Bishop, was introduced to the Conference.

The new book, *The Political Development of Tanganyika* by J. Claggett Taylor, one of our missionaries, was shown to the Conference.

33. FINANCE COMMITTEE (cont'd): The Conference assessments were read by F. Tsopotsa. The Finance Committee report was accepted.

34. NEW RETIREMENT SCHEME: It was moved that we turn this over to the Board of Trustees and give them the time they need to work the scheme out. The motion was seconded and carried.

35. BOARD OF MINISTRY: Items 31-35 were presented by T. Curtis as a supplementary report.

Item 31 was carried.

Item 32. It was recommended that J. Nemaungwe be considered by the Committee on Coordination for financial assistance. This was carried.

Item 33 was referred to the Committee on Coordination.

Item 34 was carried.

The supplementary report was accepted.

36. CONFERENCE STATISTICIAN: The report was read by C. Miller and accepted.

37. GUEST: Rev. E. Musa from the Methodist Synod Church spoke to the Conference.

38. BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS: The report was read by E. Matzigkeit. Mr. E. Matzigkeit was named editor of "UMBOWO". This was carried.

The report was accepted.

It was moved that the person who is appointed for the distribution of literature, and Mr. E. Saburi, be the Conference delegates to go to the School for Colporters (book salesmen) at Epworth Theological College. This motion was seconded and carried.

39. TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE: The report was read by E. Matzigkeit.

#### FRIDAY, 3 MAY, 1963

MORNING DEVOTIONS: Devotions were led by Bishop R. E. Dodge. Bishop Dodge continued the theme of five qualities exemplified by Christ, with Christian forgiveness.

#### SEVENTH BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.

40. TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE (Continued):

It was moved and seconded that the word "smoking" should be deleted from the contracts which teachers and other employees sign. By ballot, sixty were against and fourteen for the motion.

It was moved that the regulations against smoking should be applied to all members of the church as well as employees of the church. A person who smokes should be counseled and then disciplined. The motion was seconded and carried.

The report was accepted.

41. BOARD OF PENSIONS and CONFERENCE Claimants: The report was read by E. L. Sells.

Item 5 was amended as follows: ". . . pay his own and the church's contribution for the years 1960-61 . . ."

M. Culver moved that the districts initiate the request after thorough investigation, for relief to those who have served as approved supply pastors and present these with full case statements to the Board of Pension and Conference Claimants for relief consideration. The motion was seconded and carried.

The report was accepted.

42. HOME AND FAMILY COMMITTEE: The report was read by Mrs. E. L. Sells. The report was accepted.

43. CONFERENCE TREASURER: It was moved to credit the normal amount of interest on the invested funds to approved supply pastors relief to the relief fund. The motion was seconded and carried.

It was moved to ask the Committee on Coordination to provide funds for the continuation of this relief for the retired approved supply pastors. The motion was seconded and carried.

It was moved that the Conference Treasurer's job be a service job. The motion was seconded and carried.

It was recommended by the Conference that the Committee on Coordination minutes be sent also to the lay delegates to Annual Conference.

The report was accepted.

NOONTIME DEVOTIONS: The devotions were led by Rev. J. Chidzikwe. The devotional thought was based on Acts 13: 47 and the thought, "I have set thee to be a light to the Gentiles.

#### EIGHTH BUSINESS SESSION—1:30 P.M.

44. BISHOP'S ASSISTANTS: It was moved that we have two administrative assistants to the Bishop, one African and one missionary. The motion was seconded and carried.

It was moved to ask the Administrative Board to do a job analysis on the office of administrative assistants. The motion was carried.

45. AUDIT COMMITTEE: It was moved that the sets of books which were not brought to Annual Conference for audit be presented to the Audit Committee. The motion was seconded and carried.

Wabvuwi South deficits were made up.

The report was accepted.

46. WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE: M. Chiza read the report of the Music Committee.

Item 11 was referred back to the committee for investigation and action. The report was accepted.

47. HISTORICAL SOCIETY: The report was read by L. Eisenberg. Item 7 was referred to the Nominating Committee. The report was accepted.

48. SCHOOLS COMMITTEE: The report was read by J. Bisby. Item 1 was changed to read ". . . That self-help community schools in rural areas are set up on a faulty basis. We urge . . .

Item 8b A second Form III class at Old Umtali Methodist Centre has been turned down by the M.A.E.

Item 9 add “. . . if possible.”

Item 13 was referred to cabinet for the appointment of an auditor (see 1962 *Journal* page 82).

Item 14 was changed to read: “. . . a three-step program of increased fees be initiated so that in 1966 the fee charged by all boarding departments . . .” This was carried.

Item 16 was amended to change the study committee to five principals and five members-at-large. This was referred to the Nominations Committee.

Item 21. It was suggested to establish a district and a conference council. This item was referred to the new committee requested in No. 16 of report.

Item 22 was referred to the council in No. 21 of report. It is recommended that the headmasters or mistresses of secondary schools send the blanks to the pastors in the urban areas rather than to the students. This was carried.

The report was accepted.

Addition to the report:

Item 23. We recommend that the amount collected from each pupil for paying school managers' and assistant school managers' salaries be raised in 1964 from one shilling to one shilling sixpence. This will make it possible to employ additional African school managers.

#### 49. ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO GENERAL AND CENTRAL CONFERENCE:

*First Ministerial Ballot:* J. Chidzikwe, K. Eriksson, and J. Kawadza were elected to Central Conference. There was no election to General Conference because of a tie vote.

*First Lay Ballot:* S. Tsopotsa was elected to General Conference and I. Musamba was elected as alternate.

S. Tsopotsa, I. Musamba and S. Chibanda were elected to Central Conference.

*Second Ministerial Ballot:* J. Chidzikwe was elected as delegate to General Conference.

*Third Ministerial Ballot:* K. Eriksson was elected as alternate to General Conference.

*Second Lay Ballot:* There was no election.

*Fourth Ministerial Ballot:* P. Nyamukapa was elected.

#### SATURDAY, 4 MAY, 1963

MORNING DEVOTIONS: Bishop Dodge continued his theme on “The five qualities of Christ” with the quality, “a sense of mission.”

#### NINTH BUSINESS SESSION—8:30 A.M.

50. SCHOOLS COMMITTEE (con't). It was moved that the source of the 1/6 per pupil for salaries of African School Managers be left up to the manager. Seconded and carried.

The supplementary report of the Schools Committee, Item 24, was read by A. Alvord and approved.

Item 25, and amendment from the Mrewa Mission staff, was read by R. Harmon and accepted.

51. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORT ON FURLOUGHED MISSIONARIES: The 1962 Conference decision that missionaries shall be approved for return to the field by their quarterly conference was reconsidered, and reaffirmed. (See 1962 Journal p. 40, Par. 4).

An amendment to this recommendation that "The District Superintendent shall report to the Committee on Coordination whether there is a majority negative or a majority affirmative vote in the Quarterly Conference," was adopted.

52. COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: The report was read by N. Thomas. Item 8. Add: "Including their problems and difficulties." The report was accepted.

53. METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP: The report was read by S. Matimba and accepted.

54. COMMITTEE ON LANDS: B. Smalley reported that the Committee on Lands report was included in the Board of Trustees report.

55. INTRODUCTIONS: Bishop Dodge introduced Miss Ruth Lawrence, Africa Secretary of the Women's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Board of Missions, to the Conference.

56. INTERDENOMINATIONAL RELATIONS: Item A. The report was read by A. Alvord and approved.

Item B. The report of the Joint Methodist Council, given by M. Culver, was accepted and its recommendations approved.

Item C. The report of the Evangelical Association read by T. Curtis was approved. The total report was accepted.

57. STUDENT LOAN COMMITTEE: The report was read by Miss P. Wild. The following was added to the third paragraph: "A list of all outstanding debts and the years incurred shall be sent to all principals and school managers before sending letters to those owing money." The report was accepted.

58. Medical COMMITTEE: The report was read by T. Kulture and accepted.

59. COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS: The report was read by R. Hughes.

60. NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: It was moved, seconded and carried that the nominating committee take into consideration how many jobs a person has before placing him on a committee.

NOONTIME DEVOTIONS: Miss Ruth Lawrence led the devotions with the subject of "The Place of Women in the Church," and reported on the All-Africa Women's Conference at Kampala.

TENTH BUSINESS SESSION—1:30 P.M.

61. LETTER TO AFRICAN EDUCATION HEAD: The secretarial staff was requested to send a letter of commendation and appreciation from the Conference to Mr. Finkle, retiring head of the African Education Department, for his service over the years. The request was carried.

62. COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS (continued): Item 12. The Conference decided not to send a letter of encouragement to Dr. Martin Luth King.

The report was accepted.

63. COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY: It was moved to study the possibility of transfer of all responsibilities from missionary to nationals. The motion was seconded and carried.

It was moved to ask the Administrative Board to set up the references for this commission and that we ask the Board of Missions in New York to provide funds for the study, with a committee of six persons with some nationals from other countries. This was to go as a recommendation to the Committee on Coordination. It was seconded and carried.

Suggested composition of Commission: Four people from Africa (two from S. Rhodesia); one from some other national church, and one from the Board of Missions in N.Y.

64. AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE: The report was read by D. Mudzengerere.

Items 1, 8, and 12 were referred by the Bishop back to the Agriculture Committee for study and implementation.

Item 15 was changed to: We recommend that all our farms, were possible, be managed by competent African personnel. The report was accepted.

65. COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS: The report was accepted.

66. SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON BALLROOM DANCING: The report was read and accepted.

67. DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' supplementary report. The report on implementing the four-year plan of strategy was accepted.

68. COMMITTEE ON ADULTERY: Report was accepted.

69. MEMORIALS: The report was read by L. Eisenberg. To Central Conference:

Item A. Add family disorganization and alcoholism. The report was accepted.

To General Conference:

A. Accepted after changes.

B. The memorial on establishing an Episcopal Relations Committee was deleted.

C. The memorial on lay representation of Annual Conference, read by C. LeMasters was approved.

**70. ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO GENERAL AND CENTRAL CONFERENCE:**

*Fifth Ministerial Ballot:* M. Murphree elected.

*Sixth Ministerial Ballot:* S. Munjoma, M. Chiza, E. Matongo, and V. Otto were elected. O. Stine was elected as alternate.

*Third Lay Ballot:* B. Chikoore, N. Gandanzara, K. Sithole, G. Gona, Mrs. L. Zimonte, Mrs. D. Mudzengerere were elected to Central Conference.

N. Kaseke and S. B. Mutambara were elected as alternates.

*Fourth Lay Ballot:* M. Piburn, H. Deal, W. Kinyon, E. Russell, E. Roberts were elected as alternates.

*Fifth Lay Ballot:* R. Watson was elected as alternate.

*Seventh Ministerial Ballot:* M. Culver, T. Curtis, S. Kowo, D. Chikosi and J. Chitombo were elected as alternates.

*Eighth Ministerial Ballot:* E. Chimbanga, H. Griffin and A. Muzorewa were elected alternates.

*Sixth Lay Ballot:* T. Roberts was elected alternate.

(A complete list is found under the committees of the conference).

**71. BOARD OF EVANGELISM:** Item 10 of daily proceedings referred to this committee from the District Superintendent's report was accepted—that is, to add "Rusambo" to Pfungwe-Maramba.

**72. BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES:** Supplementary report. Items 9-13 were read and accepted.

**73. FINANCE COMMITTEE** supplementary report. Items 5, 9-11 were read and accepted.

**74. SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE METHODIST CHRISTIAN CENTRE AT SAKUBVA** as requested by the Committee on Coordination.

We recommend that this Annual Conference should request the transfer of the administrative responsibility of running the Christian Centre in Sakubva to a Board of Directors. Two-thirds of the nine-member board of directors should be chosen by the Quarterly Conference and one-third by the Annual Conference. Except in the first instance, the members of this board should be chosen for a period of three years, one-third of them being replaced each year; the final authority to be taken over in one year.

This recommendation was accepted.

**ELEVENTH BUSINESS SESSION—7:00 P.M.**

**75. AUDIO VISUAL COMMITTEE:** The report was read by E. Jijita and was accepted as read.

**76. COMMITTEE TO STUDY A METHODIST COLLEGE AT OLD UMTALI:** The oral report was given by Bishop Dodge.

The Minister of Education is not interested in helping because they have their own university. I do not think we will get any money from the government for a university.



Because of the expense, the Mission Board receives it with hesitancy. There is the hope of a Protestant university rather than just a Methodist one.

79. CONFERENCE JOURNAL: It was moved that the secretarial staff be the staff to edit all the reports, if possible, to reduce the size of the journal. Seconded and carried.

It was moved that the secretarial staff and committee on daily proceedings approve the minutes. Seconded and carried.

It was moved that Conference is officially closed after the reading of the appointments and that the journal become the official record of this Conference. Seconded and carried.

It was moved that there be a separate page in the journal giving a record of those who are ordained. Seconded and carried.

#### SUNDAY, 5 MAY, 1963

6:00 a.m. Rumuko. Memoirs of our honored dead were read by D. Mudzengerere; J. Chitombo lead in prayer.

8:30 a.m. ORDINATION SERVICE:

On trial: Johnston Gurure, Rudolph Matongo.

In full connection: Dennison Nyamarowa.

Elder: David Mudzengerere.

The following persons were presented to the Conference, with words of appreciation expressed by Bishop Dodge:

Retiring: J. Chimbadzwa, J. Rugayo, and J. Pfaff.

Going on furlough: Mr. and Mrs. A. Leiknes, Mr. and Mrs. B. Smalley, Mr. and Mrs. E. Landin, Dr. and Mrs. M. Culver, Mr. and Mrs. C. LeMasters, Miss P. Wild, Miss F. Hackler, Mr. and Mrs. H. Anfinson, Miss M. Bayliss, Rev. M. Ball.

Returning from furlough: Rev. and Mrs. K. Eriksson, Mr. and Mrs. E. Matzigkeit, Rev. and Mrs. M. Murphree, Rev. and Mrs. O. Stine, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kinyon, Rev. G. Otto, Rev. V. Otto.

New Missionaries: Miss P. Wild, Miss M. Comstock, Mr. and Mrs. Paulsen, Miss S. Himes, Miss G. Boyd, Dr. and Mrs. Don Rudy.

#### TWELFTH BUSINESS SESSION—7:30 P.M.

80. ALL-AFRICA CHURCHES: It was moved that Bishop Dodge act as our intermediary for the Rhodesia Annual Conference in joining the All-Africa Conference of Churches, if the cost does not commit the Conference for more than £50 of annual cost. The motion was seconded and carried.

81. RESOLUTIONS: The resolutions were read by D. Matanga and received by the Conference.

82. APPOINTMENTS: The appointments were read by Bishop Dodge.

# Certificate Of Ordination

*This is to certify that on Sunday, May 5, 1963 at the Mutambara Methodist Centre, Southern Rhodesia, I ordained, by the laying on of hands*

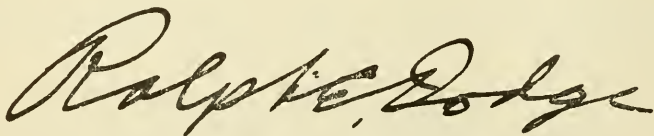
## **DENNISON NYAMUROWA**

*as a DEACON, 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, assisted by several Elders, I ordained by the laying on of hands*

## **DAVID MUDZENGERERE**

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



Ralph E. Dadge  
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. K. Choto  
Statistician: Rev. C. Miller  
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 Report of First Day of the Daily Proceedings.
5. Who are the members of Boards and Committees? See Part II, list of Boards, Commissions, and Committees.
6. Who is elected Conference Lay Leader?  
Mr. I. Musamba.
7. What are the reports of the District Superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts 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? ...  
P. Dube, J. Makuto, D. Chipaumire, J. Masenda, E. Mutanga, N. Muswe, L. Kasiamhuru, S. Murahwa, K. Mhandu, A. Matambanadzo, I. Mawokomatanda, N. Dziwa, E. Chikotsi, P. Kajese, J. Makande, E. Chapata.
10. What Approved Supply Pastors now under full appointment are taking the Conference Course of Study? N. Muswe, D. Chipaumire.
11. Who are recommended to take the course for reception on Trial? L. Nyanungo, C. LeMasters, B. Simonsson, M. Chikanya, S. Nyakuengama, W. Buwu, L. Zhungu, F. Kadenge, S. Musoni, C. Makasa, J. Kurewa, W. Makunike, S. Nduna, K. Shamu, K. Mbofana, S. Kundishora, J. Makuto, J. Makande, K. Mhandu.

12. Who are received on Trial?
  - a) by transfer? None.
  - b) Rudolph Matongo, Johnstone Gurure
13. Who remain on Trial?
  - a) Studies of the first year? G. Kapenzi.
  - b) Studies of the second year? R. Harmon.
  - c) Studies of the third year? None.
  - d) Studies of the fourth year? J. Kurewa, J. Muziti, E. Jijita, J. Munjoma.
14. Who on Trial have been discontinued? NONE.
15. Who are admitted to full connection? D. Nyamurowa.
16. What full members are in studies? NONE.
17. What full members have completed studies of the fourth year? D. Mudzengerere.
18. Who have been elected and ordained deacons?
 

For travelling orders: D. Nyamurowa. J. Kurewa in U.S.A.
19. Who have been elected and ordained elders?
  - a) Local? NONE.
  - b) Travelling? D. Mudzengerere.
20. Who have had their Conference membership terminated? NONE.
21. What Ministerial Members have died during the year? David Mandisodza.
22. What ministers have retired?
  - a) This year? J. Rugayo, J. Chimbadzwa.
  - b) Previously? Philip Chieza, Henry I. James, Benjamin Katsidzira, Marshall Murphree, Zakariah Mukonbiwa, Reginald Ngonyama, T. A. O'Farrell, George A. Roberts, Samuel Chieza, Enoch Munjoma, T. Marange, H. Katsidzira.
23. Who are left without appointment to attend school?
 

A. Katsande, E. Chimbanda, S. Muzulu, N. Madzinga, G. Kapenzi, J. Kurewa, J. Nemaungwe.
24. What other personal notations should be made?
  - a) Received from other Conferences? NONE.
  - b) Transferred out? NONE.
  - c) Who have been granted supernumerary relationship? NONE.
  - d) Sabbatical leave? NONE.
  - 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: Add the name of A. Muzorewa to last year's Journal under Number 16, of 1962 Journal, p. 44.

### C. General Business

25. What are the reports of Boards, Committees, and Secretaries of the Conference? See Part VI, Reports of Boards, Committees.
26. What is the report of the Conference Statistician? See Part XII at end of Journal.
27. What is the report of the Conference Treasurer? See Part VI, Reports, etc.
28. What is the report of the Audit Committee? See Part VI, Reports, etc.
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, 1958 Journal.
31. What are the objectives of the Conference for the coming year? See various reports adopted by Conference. Also see District Superintendents' report for four-year plan of emphasis.
32. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Mrewa Methodist Centre.
33. Is there any other business? NO.
34. What are the appointments for the coming year? See list of appointments, Part V.

## **Part V**

### **APPOINTMENTS**

#### **MREWA DISTRICT**

**SUPERINTENDENT:** J. Kawadza (until October 1)  
**MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Mrewa:** J. Mukurazhizha  
**MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Headlands, Chikore-Tanda:** A. Alvord  
**Women's Work:** Mrs. J. Kawadza (until October 1)  
**Headlands Circuit:** (J. Makande)  
**Chikore—Tanda Circuit:** D. Chinogurei

#### **Salisbury**

**Harare Circuit:** K. Choto  
**Highfields Circuit:** S. Kowo  
**Associate Pastor:** R. Hughes  
**Christian Education:** E. Chapata  
**Mrewa North Circuit:** S. Muzulu (after December)  
**Mrewa South Circuit:** J. Gurure  
**Mrewa East Circuit:** (J. Masenda)  
**Mrewa West Circuit:** to be supplied  
**Bulawayo Circuit:** S. Munjoma

#### **MREWA CENTRE**

**Acting Chairman:** J. Kawadza (until October 1)  
**Chairman:** J. Schevenius (after October 1)  
**Acting Principal:** J. Kawadza (until October 1)  
**Principal:** J. Schevenius (after October 1)  
**Howard Memorial Church:** D. Makuto  
**Girls' Boarding Matron and Chaplain:** Mrs. L. Zimonte  
**Central Primary School**  
**Headmaster:** J. Kaisa  
**Secondary School**  
**Headmistress:** E. Parks  
**Staff:** R. Harmon, S. Nyamugama, C. Taylor, K. Kufeni

#### **B. MTASA—MAKONI DISTRICT**

**SUPERINTENDENT:** T. Curtis  
**MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Mtasa-Gandanzara:** J. Perry  
**MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Headlands, Chiduku:** A. Alvord  
**Women's work:** Mrs. T. Curtis  
**Nyakatsapa Circuit:** E. Matongo  
**Associate Pastor:** (K. Mhandu)  
**Inyanga North Circuit:** J. Muziti  
**Associate Pastor:** (S. Murahwa)

Penhalonga—Mundenda Circuit: E. Jangano  
Gandanzara Circuit: P. Machiri  
Chiduku North Circuit: W. Mandisodza  
Chiduku South Circuit: to be supplied  
Honde Circuit: to be supplied  
Wesley (Rusape) Circuit: A. Alvord  
Rusape Circuit: J. Jijita

#### OLD UMTALI CENTRE

Chairman: S. Tsopotsa  
Ehnes Memorial Church: J. Munjoma (acting pastor  
until September 1)  
A. Muzorewa (after September 1)  
Student Pastor and Chaplain: J. Munjoma  
Bookkeeper: Mrs. E. Landin (until furlough), then  
Esther Russell  
Asst. Bookkeeper: Mrs. W. Kinyon  
Press Manager: E. Matzigkeit  
Maintenance and Service Manager: P. Maenzanise  
Medical Unti:

Matron: Mrs. S. Tsopotsa  
Nursing Sister: Miss E. Morosani  
Doctor: Dr. (Mrs.) Johnson  
Woodlands Farm Manager: D. Chimbwanda  
Hartzell Training School  
Principal: S. Tsopotsa  
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, B. Higgs

#### Secondary School

Headmaster: Z. Gwanzura  
Staff: Mrs. Z. Gwanzura, Mrs. P. Allen, R. O'Brien,  
C. Kenney, Miss M. Comstock, Miss A. Portecus,  
N. M. Mutambara, Mrs. R. Kauffman  
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. Noah  
Assistant, Nyadiri: R. Kambarami

**M**ANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Maramba: T. Matanga  
Women's work: Mrs. L. Blomquist  
Christian Education worker, Mtoko: (L. Kasiyamhuru)  
Christian Education worker, Nyadiri: (E. Mutanga)  
Mtoko East Circuit: E. Kuwana  
Mtoko North Circuit: D. Muchapaidze  
E. Chimbwanda (after Dec. 1963)  
Mtoko South Circuit: A. Kajese  
Mtoko West Circuit (formerly Nyadiri East): N. Chigubu  
Chikwizo Circuit: (J. Makuto)  
Maramba—Pfungwe Circuit: N. Mudzingwa  
(after December 1963)  
(A. Matambanadzo)  
Uzumba Circuit: D. Nyamurowa  
Nyadiri Circuit: P. Gurupira

#### NYAMUZUWE CENTRE

Nyamuzuwe Church: E. Chimbwanda  
Associate Pastor: L. Hillendahl  
Principal: L. Hillendahl  
Secretary and Girls' Work: Mrs. L. Hillendahl  
Central Primary School, Headmaster: Timothy Gwati  
Secondary School, Staff: Mr. and Mrs. Kelso

#### NYADIRI CENTRE

Chairman: J. Chidzikwe  
O'Farrell Memorial Church: J. Chidzikwe  
Associate Pastor and Hospital Chaplain: M. Mparutsa  
Associate Pastor and Christian Education: E. Heyer  
Associate Pastor and Student Chaplain: R. Noah  
Principal: R. Noah  
Teacher Training School:  
Headmaster: P. Molife (after January 1, 1964)  
Acting Headmaster: E. Heyer  
Staff: J. Temperly, H. Katedza, G. Boyd, Mrs. L. Dewey  
Central Primary School, Headmaster: B. Ruwodo  
Lower Primary School, Headmaster: T. Kamusikiri  
Experiment in Christian Social Living: S. Himes, Mrs.  
Nyambawaro  
Girls' and Boys' Boarding: Rev. and Mrs. R. Noah  
Building and Utilities: C. LeMasters  
Methodist Hospital, Nyadiri  
Doctors: Marvin Piburn, M. D. Medical Superintendent  
Alan Whanger, M. D.



Donald Rudy, M. D.  
Hugh Deale, Dentist  
Administrator and Pharmacist: R. Watson  
Bookkeeping: T. Neube  
Sister (Hospital and Medical Extension)  
Mrs. Grace Kapenzi (matron-sister), Ruth Lind, Jenny  
Larsen, Jo Short, Jane Way (until December)  
Sisters (Nursing Orderly Training School)  
Elma Ashby (sister Tutor in charge from Dec. 1963),  
Mrs. P. Molife, SRN, Miss Patricia Molife, SRN, Mrs.  
Hugh Deale (part-time)  
Laboratory: L. Dewey (in charge), D. Gwenzi  
X-ray: I Tambara  
Maintenance: A. Tsiga  
O. P. D.: T. Kuture

#### D. UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT

SUPERINTENDENT: P. Nyamukapa  
MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Marange: F. Hackler  
MANAGER OF SCHOOLS, Mutambara, Zimunya: J. Bisby  
Assistant: R. Chimonyo  
Women's Work: Mrs. P. Nyamukapa  
Christian Education worker: (N. Dziwa)  
Marange North Circuit: J. Machiri  
Marange South Circuit: N. Chiwota  
Marange Central Circuit: A. Katsande (after Dec. 1963)  
Mutambara East Circuit: D. Chikosi  
Mutambara West Circuit: R. Matongo  
Nyanyadzi Circuit: D. Mudzengerere  
Zimunya South Circuit: J. Maramba  
Zimunya North Circuit: S. Zuze  
Miller Memorial Church Circuit: N. Dikanifuwa  
Assistant Pastor: (J. Mawokomatanda)  
Evangelist: (P. Dube)  
Methodist Christian Centre, Director: C. Miller  
Staff: to be supplied  
Deaconess: Mrs. Samudzimu  
Hilltop Business School: to be supplied  
African Girls' Hostel: M. Taylor, H. Malianga

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Mutambara Church: J. Chitombo  
Boys' Boarding and Farm: T. Roberts

Principal of Schools: Mrs. T. Roberts

Girls' Department: Mrs. T. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. E.  
Mukonde

Teacher Training School

Headmistress: Miss G. Otto

Staff: Miss J. Martiny, Miss P. Wild, S. Paulsen

Sunnyside Methodist Homecraft School: B. Post

Central Primary School, Headmaster: P. Mudiwa

Practice School, Headmaster: K. Chikwinya

Mutambara Medical and Extension:

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**Part VI**  
**REPORTS**

**BISHOP'S EPISCOPAL ADDRESS**

Bishop Ralph E. Dodge

**THE CHURCH IN AFRICA**

As we open this twenty-fifth session of the Rhodesia Annual Conference, it may be well for us to reflect on what God has wrought in the past through His people called Methodists.

In this presidential address I shall not go into detail, but rather hope to view the assets and possibilities of the Church in broad terms. Time would prohibit an exhaustive study. What I say, therefore, is merely suggestive of numerous assets and many hidden possibilities of this conference.

First let us consider some of the contributions which the Church has made to life in Africa.

1) *Presents a Person*: The major contribution that the Church can make anywhere in the world is the presentation of a Person, Jesus Christ, the Son of God. It is He who makes Christianity different from other religions; it is He who becomes a vital force both in the lives of individuals and in the life of a community or nation. It is His mind and His spirit which can transform; it is His presence which can restrain the howling wind and calm the waves of violence. He is doing that in Africa today.

Jesus Christ is more than the son of Mary; He is God's very gift to the world. We may not be able to understand the nature of His conception in the womb of the Virgin, which gave Him His divine start in life. Neither could we understand the nature of His life were He only human; for surely no man before or after has lived like him. It is more His matchless life than the Biblical account of His immaculate conception that convinces us that Jesus Christ is very God. It is He whom the Church presents as God's gift to Africa.

As an infant, Jesus spent some time in Africa. Therefore, as He returns He is part of Africa's own contribution to God's world kingdom.

During His earthly ministry many people desired to see Him, to touch the hem of His garment, to feel the nail prints in his hands. Today among the people of Africa there is this same desire to see Jesus. There are those who want to know something about the colour of His skin, the texture of His hair, just to be certain that He did live in Egypt and does belong to Africa. But more important, we need to know the quality of His life. We need to know more of His power to transform our lives. We need to know Him, and

through Him, to understand the Great One who was from the beginning. We, as all people, need to feel the warmth of His personality and experience the transforming power of His love. He is God's gift to man everywhere. Because of His timelessness, He is the connecting link between the past and present; because of His nature, He is the bridge between humanity and divinity. By His suffering and death, He became the Mediator between man and his Creator. It is Christ who, although He may not change physical spots into stripes, can alter personality and so reorient an individual to himself, to his community, and to his God, that life takes on new meaning.

The qualities which Christ possesses make Him the ideal leader. People of His own day readily recognized those qualities of leadership and, with few exceptions, followed Him faithfully.

His purpose and goal were clear. He had a depth of conviction as to the rightness of His mission. He was divinely inspired and divinely led. There was a spiritual quality about Him that made people recognize intuitively that He had recourse to the Father. He was a respected teacher. He was tender, loving and compassionate in His dealings, being especially sensitive to the needs of others. He enjoyed a good time socially. He was pacific in general and always non-violent. He was progressive in that He was willing to deviate from the past. He was what today would be known as a far-sighted administrator. He trained His disciples to take over after He was gone. He delegated authority and power to others. He was fair and just in all His dealings. He was willing to sacrifice and even die for the cause He represented. What a list of leadership qualities! He still has them today. The Church presents Christ as Leader, to all who need guidance.

The Church presents Jesus Christ as the Saviour of all people everywhere. Yes, we need salvation as much as other people. But salvation is wider and broader than liberation from certain proscribed sins. Salvation is freedom from sin. It is freedom from self-imposed or inherited limitations; freedom to find a place of inspired fellowship with others who make up the Christian community.

2) *Proclaims a Message*: The Church's second most significant contribution to Africa is the gift of a Book with hundreds of vital messages for all.

In the Bible we have not only the story of Jesus' life and teaching, but the long historical account of God's progressive revelation to man. God has always taken the initiative in trying to reveal Himself to man. The Bible contains the story of that revelation together with an account of man's reactions to it. The experiences recorded in the Bible are those of men everywhere and through all times. The moral

values given and the spiritual insights announced might at times be partially obscured by archaic language or symbolism, but they are nonetheless valid and true.

The lessons taught are not necessarily true only because they are in the Bible; they are in the Bible because they are true experiences of life. The Bible is a history of God's dealings with man and the lessons which man has learned through his search for God. At times that contact has been intimate and personal; again it has been distant and more vague.

The Bible message gives dignity to all people because it teaches that every individual, irrespective of his background, is of special value in the sight of God; it raises up the dejected, despised, and downhearted. Each person is judged by God on his own merits and according to his own set of values and personal qualities. The section of the community from which he comes, the cost of the house in which he lives, the school which he attended, his racial characteristics or social class, his yearly income or the kind of car which he drives—none of these things enter into God's evaluation of a man. God looks upon a man's heart and not at the exterior drapings which surround him.

According to the Bible, a man's worth is determined by his faith, which in turn makes him the kind of man he is; this is determined by the motivations which drive him, by the ideals which sustain him, by the determination with which he overcomes barriers, by the perseverance with which he struggles to achieve his goal, and by the way he treats his fellow men in his struggle for attainment. All of these things, rather than the circumstances of his birth, are the measure of a man.

At times the Bible comes with a message of encouragement or hope; at times it gives a warning with a reprimand; again it counsels restraint or makes an affirmation. But it comes with a message from God to man to be heard and heeded by all.

3) *Starts a Revolution:* The Church in any part of the world should feel chagrin when no change is taking place. It is a sure sign that its adherents are not practicing Christianity. If Christianity is real, it touches all of life; if the followers of Christ are true to Him, they will see people all around them who need helping and transforming, and they will act.

We are told that "Jesus was under suspicion because the people got the impression that He was trying to change something." It was not those whom He changed who held Him under suspicion; it was those in top positions in synagogue, society, and government—they had too much to lose. They undoubtedly looked with pity on the beggars, the outcasts, the blind and halt whom Jesus helped; but

their very pity revealed the fact that they felt themselves superior beings. They could not understand Christ's spirit when they had that superior feeling; only a feeling of brotherhood with all mankind could make it possible for them to understand Him.

People who live comfortably in any land do not, as a rule, agitate for change; the children of the wealthy are not usually the rebellious youth. Unless the firmly established people find the mind of Christ, normally they do not see any need for changes. But there are men and women and youth in Africa and other parts of the world who in desperation think that *any* change from their present conditions would be welcome. It is their despair at the slowness and ineffective methods used by those in power which makes people turn to violent ways. But revolution does not *have* to be violent; it is generally quiet and peaceful. The revolution which the Church starts is of the non-violent kind; but it is no less a revolution.

Revolution means a total and drastic change in ideas or institutions; it means the transformation of people and their social environment. It is inevitable that Christ's teachings should cause constant change, for, as individuals accept the Gospel in its entirety, their lives are transformed. It is just as inevitable that when there are enough people with the mind of Christ, the whole pattern of society will change.

There is a great need for change in Southern Rhodesia, so that all people will feel that they have a vital part in the affairs of the nation. Those who have power and wealth and authority must be willing to share; those who seek these things must be responsible in their current assignments, while actively working with God to bring about a more just social order. All the while we must be aware of the fact that in the Gospel there is the dynamism of change.

4) *Helps Educate a Continent*: It is widely recognized that the Church has been most helpful in the field of education in Africa. In fact, it has done so much that at times there are those who assume that the Church alone is responsible for trying to educate a whole continent. Dr. Eduardo C. Mondlane of Mozambique wrote, "It can even be said without exaggeration that the Christian missions were responsible for demonstrating to the rest of the European people that Africans were also capable of engaging in the same intellectual pursuits as all other racial groups. For quite a long time Christian missions bore alone all the responsibilities of planning, financing, and running the schools in Africa, with little help from colonial governments."



During the early years of mission schools, the response from our people for education was negative or, to say the least, luke warm. Incentives were often provided in the form of gifts just to get the children to attend school. At best, their attendance was irregular. About twenty years ago there began a noticeable change. The advantages of having educated children seemed to impress itself on rural people quite suddenly at they saw the earning power of their sons rise. Then there began the scramble to the schools. Accepting appreciatively the increased financial aid from government sources, the Church still was not able to keep pace with the demand. Even by straining her own financial resources and personnel to the maximum, many children have been turned away from existing institutions.

As might be expected, parents, rather than expressing appreciation for the three children they may have in school, often concentrate on the one or two who cannot find a place and blame the Church for its inability to provide for *all*. Another result of this rush toward the school has been an inability to give quality education which the Church would like to give. As a result, many pupils pass through the schools of the Church without getting the kind of moral encouragement and instruction in character building which they should have. Yet, in spite of the rather prevalent criticism against the Church for not being able to provide adequately either quantitatively or qualitatively, there is a growing appreciation on the part of mature, educated adults for the contribution which the church has made.

5) *Builds Bridges of Understanding*: No task which the Church undertakes is more difficult than that of trying to bridge the gap which exists between different segments of society in south central Africa. The need for bridge-building increases as the desire to have bridges built diminishes! Sometimes, deep and wide chasms which separate are much more appealing than bridges which unite. This is especially true when fear becomes a dominant motivation and concern to life.

There was a time when the Church felt that it had broken down tribalism in Africa. It is beginning to realize that this is one of those bridges which has to be rebuilt. This is not to say that nothing has been done in this area of conflict. Much has been done and there are many happy marriages—both physical and spiritual—across tribal lines. But the chasm is still there.

A bridge is desperately needed between the generations in Africa. The impact of Western civilization has come so suddenly that many in the older generation cannot comprehend it. Perhaps nowhere else in the world or at no other time in history has the age-gap been greater than in modern Africa.

Much could be said about pastors, European and African, who are holding steady, in spite of adverse reaction from the more conservative members of their congregations, in trying to make the Church an all-inclusive fellowship. If bridges are going to be built in sufficient numbers to avoid complete disaster, it is the church leaders who must take the initiative in providing avenues for people to come together and get to know each other.

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Much good has been and is being done. A foundation has been laid. Now after twenty-five years as an annual conference we look to the future. What should be our plans for the years ahead?

If the Church is to face her future wisely in central and southern Africa, she must act in at least seven ways:

1) *She must listen attentively* to what both God and man would tell her about her actual condition today. Inventory-taking is good, if the results help us assess our resources and use the information obtained to guide us in our future planning. We must listen attentively and patiently to what vocal, impetuous, largely inexperienced, but very sincere young people in the Church are saying. Another segment—conservative, experienced, responsible, and sometimes tired—is always speaking at church councils. We must listen to them also, for they were once the young radicals whose reactions were quick, minds alert, and hands ready for any task. They have been slowed down with the years; their words are chosen more carefully now; their idealism has been tempered by the experiences of life; their wisdom is more reasoned. They must be heard in times and places of decision and their voices will be heeded.

But we must never forget that God also speaks to be heard. We must remember that the Church is a God-given institution. Jesus said, "And upon this rock will I build my Church." God spoke to Abraham and Samuel; He spoke to Moses and Isaiah; he spoke to the Disciples and Paul; He spoke to Francis of Assisi and to Luther; He spoke to Calvin and Wesley; He speaks to Pope John XXIII and He speaks to us. Let us listen attentively.

2) *The Church must react positively and constructively* to both criticisms and suggestions. All is not well. Church attendance is low. There is a falling away. The fires of ardent devotion are burning less vigorously than formerly. Something needs to be done to adapt the forms of worship of the Church for which Christ died to conditions in modern Africa. The Church has been established, but it must be reborn with African features. Sacrifice is involved; therefore, let us face the future positively, constructively, courageously, and sacrificially.

3) *The Church must assess her resources objectively.* It is easy to see only successes or only failures. Both must be considered as we face the future. Past failures must be studied and possibly the programs from which they arose, eliminated; successes must be used as a foundation for expansion. Objectivity is required as we face the future just as it is needed as we evaluate the past.

4) *The Church must call all to work arduously.* The call of Christ is not to a life of ease. The task before us is as impossible as it has always been. But, from time immemorial, God has been known to use human efforts to do that which was generally thought to be impossible. The eight-hour day in a forty-hour week is not for those who would be co-workers with God in the re-creation of the Church of Christ in Africa. It is an all-the-time job. Our heritage from the past is one of honest and ardent labour; we must not leave a lesser heritage for our successors.

5) *The Church must plan wisely and cooperatively.* We must take time to plan for the future, taking into consideration the mood of modern Africa, but at the same time always seeking to know the mind of Christ. Good architects are those who have their roots in the past, are aware of the conditions of the present, but who build for the future. We can do no less. Having come this far, we must follow St. Paul, looking forward to the mark of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

6) *The Church must seek to know the mind of Christ.* In humility, but with the dignity which arises from devotion, we must be obedient to His leading. The Church of tomorrow in Africa, even though it may have African design and leadership, must never be an African church. It must always be Christian and universal.

7) *The Church must venture forth on faith.* There was never a time when greater faith was needed. Instability surrounds and insecurity undermines us. The time is ripe for vision and for venture. Abraham of old moved out, not knowing where he was going, but satisfied that he was being led of God. May we not let glorious visions fade as if they were illusions! But rather, making certain that they are of God, let us follow optimistically into the future!

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But what is our program? Were I to chart the program for this conference, I would emphasize six things:

1) *Continue to Train for Responsibility:* Our people are as talented as, but no more capable than, other people. They have a variety and abundance of gifts, but they also have limitations—just as do all others of the human species. Therefore, they, like all others, need training for responsibility in all phases of national, community, and church life.

The Church has made a glorious beginning in the field of education, but she must see to it that the process is not terminated until it reaches both its qualitative and quantitative maximum.

There is a tendency in this part of Africa to assume that our people are going to fall when given responsibility. "Look at the mess in the Congo!" has become almost a slogan of disparagement among some Europeans. But where were the trained Congolese when independence arrived so unexpectedly and prematurely? The Congo is not so much an example of African failure to produce results as of European failure to prepare for responsibility. The amazing things about Africa today are its non-violence in achieving its independence and its success after independence. Fortunately there have been, in most countries, those limited few who have received sufficient training to provide mature and objective leadership. But, what of the Church?

In that vast area extending from the Atlantic Ocean to the Indian Ocean, and from a few degrees south of the equator to the "great, green, greasy Limpopo," an area half as large as the United States, there are not half a dozen Protestant African ministers with university degrees.

Experience indicates that there is not a dearth of suitable candidates when it becomes known that the road to the ministry is not a dead-end street. Many of the more aggressive and ambitious youth, although dedicated to the Church, are not willing to offer themselves for some sub-normal training program in Africa when they view those of other professions getting full university training and also when they sense the tremendous responsibility of the Christian ministry. Consequently, they will continue in their teaching or business positions rather than accept a training which will either give the ecclesiastical authorities an excuse for keeping them in inferior positions in the Church or will place them in positions where their lack of broad and profound training will cause embarrassment to them and a reflection against their race and calling.

Or again, we talk about a multi-racial society and a non-racial Church. Yet we continue to train at two levels: the African ministerial candidates at a post standard six level, and the European candidates at the post university level, and expect to build a non-racial church on that basis! There will never be a non-racial society in Africa, either within or without the Church, until there is equality of training for equal responsibilities. We must pause here to congratulate the staff at Epworth Theological College for opening an A-stream of training and admitting both Europeans and Africans to the course. This provides hope for a non-racial Church in multi-racial areas of the continent.

What has been said about the ministry holds equally for all phases of community and national life. Let us repeat, lest we be misunderstood, that there are in every land those rare individuals who are so amply equipped with abilities that they rise to the top and with confidence give creative leadership in their business or profession, without great training. Still, they are rare. Let it also be said that God can and does use to His glory all people who love Him. However, this does not alter the fact that God can and does also use dedicated, trained people to His *greater* glory.

2) *Continue to Cooperate*: There still is a need to share the burdens of developing the Church. I hope that the Church in Africa will be supra-racial and supra-national—that it will be part of the world-wide Church. There will be need for continued fellowship forever, and for continued assistance for many years. In the like manner, the Church in Africa will soon increase her assistance through sharing of ideas and resources with churches in other parts of the world. The Church must be mindful of the fact that we are “workers together with God” at all times and in all places.

There are at least three areas in which the Church overseas must continue to share with the Church in Africa. In the first place, there must continue to be an exchange of ideas through world conferences and united programs. The universal aspect of the life of the Church must be maintained. The continuous flow of ideas for stimulation and cross-fertilization must be intensified. International church conferences must come to Africa for their impact upon the life of the continent. Africa must be more adequately represented on committees of the World Council of Churches and at interdenominational and denominational meetings. Much is already being done; more should be done to bring Africans into the very center of the life of the Church universal.

In the second place, there will be the need for continued financial sharing for many years ahead. Although there is vast wealth in Africa, much of it is still unexploited. Generally, Africa is so undeveloped that great stress will be placed on national development. In the tremendous urgency to raise the economic level of the people, there is real danger that one aspect of national development—that of the Church—may be temporarily overlooked. The economy of the average church member is so low that he cannot yet carry the full financial load of the Church, with its many and varied arms of service. Therefore, support will have to continue from overseas, even if on a diminishing basis, if the effective services are to continue. It would be tragic should they be lopped off immediately after the transfer of authority.

It is this fear that overseas funds will be sharply reduced or cut off immediately which causes many thoughtful people to move slowly in their insistence that administrative changes be made now. It is to be hoped, therefore, that the sharing of resources from afar will not abruptly cease. It is equally to be hoped that the Church in Africa will not hesitate to do what she thinks is timely and right, out of a fear of curtailment of overseas funds. The sharing process is also needed to maintain the spiritual life of the Church in the more affluent areas of the world as well as in the under-developed.

In the third place, there is need for the continued sharing of personnel. It is unfortunate that many missionaries have a fear that, as the Church moves into national leadership, their services will no longer be needed. If that is true, then they are now either poorly placed or poorly trained for missionary service. As far as I can see, there is no move on the part of the African people to oust all missionaries; on the contrary, as responsibilities are gradually turned over, there is a growing appreciation of missionaries for the burden which they have carried for years.

More and more our people are speaking appreciatively of the missionaries who sense the new day and are willing to adjust to it.

3) *Re-study the Gospel*: The most vital part of the Scriptures surrounds the life and pronouncements of Jesus Christ. Following that in importance, there are the letters to the early churches, and then the Old Testament as the background of Judaism out of which Christianity developed. Certainly, if we are seeking a basis for our belief and an authority for our actions, we go first to the practice and teaching of Jesus, secondly to the instructive and interpretative letters to the early churches, and thirdly to the prophets and other books of the Old Testament.

In the past too much of the teaching of the Church in Africa has been centered in the negative—the “Thou shalt not” of the Old Testament rather than in the positive “Thou shalt” of the New Testament. Perhaps too much attention has been paid to keeping the “questionables” out of the church, or of expelling the few “undesirables” and not enough emphasis placed on going out into the highways and byways and compelling the “whatsoevers” to come in. Perhaps too much of our preaching has been *against* sin and not enough *for* holiness, too much about death and not enough about life, too much about punishment and not enough about rewards, too much about Hell and not enough about Heaven, too much about the ten commandments and not enough about the new commandment of love.

If one goes through the Gospels carefully, trying to find out those values which motivated Jesus during His brief ministry upon earth, three will stand out: (A) Supreme value of the human personality, (B) Importance of service in finding meaning to life, and (C) The place of solitude, reflection, prayer, and worship in finding the strength for service.

Undoubtedly, our system of values in life is reflected more by what we do than by what we say. A man's ideals are more nearly mirrored by his actions than by his utterances. By *watching* a man, one may discover his true set of values; from *listening* to him, one will often discover the accepted mores of his social group. Deeds show our true personal values; words may reproduce artificial or superficial values which have been imposed upon us but which are not our own. Thus, if you would learn the true nature and values of a man, follow him, live with him. If a man is utterly sincere, there will not be any discrepancy between his deeds and his words.

For Jesus there was no value of greater significance than human personality, any personality. Jesus spent much of His time encouraging, instructing and re-establishing persons. The freeing of two demoniacs was important even though a herd of swine was lost. It was more important that His hungry disciples have food than that the law of the sabbath be upheld. Thirty-eight years is a long time to be waiting for a healing touch. It is any wonder that Jesus, with His interest in people, cured the man by the pool of Bethzeda even though it was on the sabbath? Or, that he reacted similarly to the blind man by the pool of Siloam? People, all people, were the maximum concern of Jesus rather than the observance of certain rituals and laws; and so it must be for His followers in Africa—and elsewhere.

In the second place, the service impulse seemed to provide Jesus with considerable motivation if we are to judge by His numerous deeds of compassion. His tender-heartedness toward all people so impressed the writers of the Gospels that they mentioned His deeds of mercy and healings more than any other one function. John makes mention of five specific cases of healing; Luke, the doctor, mentions Jesus' alleviation of suffering at least 19 times; Mark, 18 times; and Matthew 16 times. It is my impression that, if one reads the New Testament carefully, the healing ministry of Jesus is at least as noteworthy as His preaching or teaching ministry. Does this say anything to the Church in Africa? It may well say that the Church should give immediate attention to developing a program of spiritual healing.

One is also impressed by the fact that Jesus often withdrew from the multitude for prayer, reflection, meditation, and worship. There are at least nineteen such references in the Gospels. The isolation of the mountains, the refreshing burbling of water at the spring, the quiet morning in cathedral or rustic, thatched chapel are no luxuries. For those who are constantly giving out, there *must* be a time of spiritual in-take, of physical re-creation, of mental re-evaluation. To put it bluntly, if Jesus Himself—who did not feel that it was boastful to declare that He and the Father were one—often felt that he needed to renew and replenish His own resources so that He would have more to give to others, how can we think we can get along without it? Man needs periodically a total rehabilitation which comes from God. He can and does rehabilitate, refresh, reenergize, and re-create.

4) *Reevaluate African Culture*: Traditional African culture was not all bad; neither was everything good. As in all cultures, there were positive factors which held the culture together, and there were negative factors which degraded human personality and destroyed life. From what is known, one may assert that some elements in African culture seem to be positive and should be retained, and other elements are negative and should be discarded. The problem lies in trying to evaluate those aspects which may be both good and bad. It is especially here that the decision must be left to those who are a part of the culture to determine whether the over-all effect is positive or negative.

I am not ready to recommend that the Church either accept the traditional social practices into the Church or to affirm that the Church has been right in rejecting them. But certainly elements of value should be retained and it is largely the enlightened African Christian who must decide those practices which have value.

The problem is further complicated by our inability to know what the future will bring forth. Were certain traditional practices to be approved by the Church, would this mean that the strong social discipline of former times could be brought back and applied to eliminate evil influences from the West? We think not. Africa has changed. Therefore, we cannot turn back to compare and evaluate the traditional African culture of a hundred years ago with practices now current in the West. Time moves forward, not backward. Therefore, the most feasible solution is to bring the light of the Gospel to play upon the various social practices to establish their value or harm.

5) *Increase Our Evangelism*: It is none too early for the Church in the sub-continent of Africa to recapture the mood of outreach, the expectancy of success, the thrill of rebirth.



The missionary movement established in the nineteenth century was one of urgency. Every person felt the need to rescue souls from a perishing world. "The world for Christ in our generation" was a rallying cry to hundreds of volunteers.

Somewhere along the way, the enthusiasm and the urgency have evaporated. The missionaries tried to pass the torch on to African evangelists, but in many cases it has been a second-hand enthusiasm without much life. The Church must take the initiative and become more actively evangelistic than ever before. This does not mean that there must be set up more departments of evangelism or that more teams of special evangelists be sent out from overseas. Rather, it means that the Christian people must more positively assess the importance for Africa of the Christian message.

The question of methodology is important but not all-important. Evangelism is more a mood, a spirit, an attitude, a sharing than a question of methods. We must not wait for elaborate preparation, high pressure methods, or world-renowned evangelists. God can use mass evangelism, membership preparation, children's Bible campaigns, radio evangelism, newspaper appeals, film portrayals, and any other medium; but the more impersonal the witness, the weaker the impact. The most effective kind of evangelism ever thought up is personal witnessing to the grace of God in the human heart.

It is when you tell me what God has done for you that I am convinced. It is when I pass along the news of what God has done for me to my neighbor that both he and I are blessed. The Church needs to bestir itself now; for the times are favorable.

The Church must forcefully reject any insinuation that she has not made any impact upon Africa and has not contributed to the well-being of her people. The church has made mistakes, it is true, but there is no cause for remorse. Rather, there is every reason for the Church to be proud of her record and for every Christian to stand erect, with his head high, and with a clear voice proclaim the good news of salvation. Arrogance, conceit, and ostentatious airs are not called for, but a simple, courageous proclamation of faith in the goodness of God should be every Christian's habit.

In the third place, we must never forget that the Great Commission is for all time and for all people. God, with all His power, is still dependent upon human personalities to do His work and make His proclamations. He still operates through individuals of all races and nations. The spread of the Gospel should know no barriers, either personal or cultural. All too long the Gospel has been preached by Europeans to Africans; now let the Africans take the initiative and boldly proclaim the Gospel to Europeans, to Asians, and to the people of Mars—should they also come to Africa.

6) *Unite to Witness*: Disunity is dulling the cutting edge of Christianity. That edge should always be sharp and penetrating. If there is not a strong drive toward unity at this time, the pattern of division may become solidified with the stabilizing of society under new African governments, or a divided church may be by-passed as more vital institutions are formed in the new Africa. If the desire for unity on the part of the majority of African Christians is not realized, the responsibility must largely be placed on the European denominational leaders in Africa and on the supporting societies overseas, as well as on the timidity of Africans in expressing their convictions.

The Church must turn to the New Testament to try to find what is the mind of Christ in an issue as important as this. That different groups were divinely led to come to Africa, no one will question. That they have made their contribution to the development of the continent, has been positively attested. The big question is whether or not God is calling them to consolidate their efforts now that the pioneer phase is past. What does each separate group feel about Jesus' prayer "that they all may be one?"

It is to be hoped that any future churches or groups of churches in Africa will be supra-national. Nothing more tragic could happen to the Church than to allow itself to fall under the control of political organizations. The Church must always be free to bear her witness within a nation but, to be assured of this continued right, she must have ties outside the nation as well as within it. In no instance should she become a tool of politics. Her purpose is to witness to the truth as found in the Scriptures. Therefore, let her take care to make that witness effective.

## **District Superintendents' Composite Report**

(Daily Proceedings 10, 67)

Bishop Dodge, Brother Ministers, Lay deelelegates, and visitors of the Conference:

John Wesley: "You hvae nothing else to do than to save souls"

Psalms 116:10—"I believed and therefore I have spoken . . ."

We have chosen these words as a greeting for this Annual Conference because we think these words touch something very essential in the work of our Church today.

A good sportsman was asked if he didn't find all the training to which he had to submit himself a heavy burden. "No," he said, "Not when I know the goal I want to reach." His words have also something to tell us as a CHURCH. We must understand why we have to do certain things. Something without goal and purpose can never keep the attention of people. Our CHURCH today needs, more than ever, a membership of purpose-filled people whose only desire is to show the glory of the Kingdom. "We believe

and therefore we speak." Let us remember that the Church exists for those who are not yet it's members and we can only reveal Christ to them as long as we live so close to Him that he becomes a part of us. We would like to recommend to our people that they study the Early Church.

It was a learning Church; it was a praying Church; it was a reverent Church; it was a church where things happened all around it—due to it; it was a sharing Church, a worshipping Church and a happy Church; it was a Church of fellowship of men and women so united in love and faith that Christ should work in and through them a minimum of lot and hindrance. It was a Church understanding the needs of the world of its time and not a Church trying to answer questions no one asked. It was a Church of believers and therefore it spoke:

We are not planning to tell you that everything is well and good in our Methodist Church in Southern Rhodesia today, and we don't want to look back upon certain highlights and outstanding things in the past year and dwell upon them in order to cover up our mistakes and shortcomings. Instead—let us kneel and humbly ask for forgiveness for all failures—praising the Lord at the same time for his mercy and grace, and praying for renewal of our Faith Hope through the Holy Spirit. From there we want to life up our eyes, look forward, and see the Kingdom in all its glory—and then go out and share that wonderful sight with all mankind.

We have nothing else to do than save souls John Wesley tells us. We also want to ask all our ministers and members to let these words come through in all phases of life: "We believe and therefore we speak . . ."

We ask all our members to find thir way—through intensified prayer and Bible study—to the enrichment of their Christian life, and to experience the fullness of the Gospel. The world around us, confused and divided, is hopelessly trying to find salvation and is only getting deeper into despair. The world is doomed if we who believe do not speak up and tell the world: **THERE IS A WAY. CHRIST IS THE WAY AND THE SALVATION.**

We are never allowed to only desperately keep ground gained—that will exhaust us and drain our strength. Attack is the best defence. Never forget our Goal. **THE WORLD FOR CHRIST.**

There is a church under construction in our Conference which does not have any side windows. The light will come through windows in the roof. A church with windows toward heaven. Can you see the light from above streaming down over the congregation? What a wonderful sight. May that also be true in the life of the whole church. Hear what Isaiah says:

“He gives power to the faint and to them that have no might he increases strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary and young men shall utterly fall. But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run and not be weary, and they shall walk and not faint.”

Fellow Christians—you, like the lamp, must shed light amongst your fellows so that when they see the good you do, they may praise your father in Heaven . . . These words have a special message to you our pastors.

The Christian message through the centuries has not only been carried by ministers. Inspired Christian laymen have played an enormous roll in carrying the message to all parts of the world and that is the way it should be. The Church, in function, is our members at work in their daily task in our communities. We are in that way all fully employed by God in the Holy Priesthood, but to make it possible for members to be able to so function we need holy men set aside to guide and feed them.

When Christ came down from the mountain of Transfiguration he was met by his disciples who had remained behind and not shared what wonderful experience. They were deeply troubled and disappointed for the problem they had met they had failed to solve. As you remember, they asked “Why could not we?” What does Christ say? “Your faith is too weak, I tell you this: If you had faith no bigger even than a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, move from here to there and it will move. Nothing will prove impossible for you.” He also said, “Only through prayer can you do this.”

The troubles of mankind today are Big, and CHRIST tells us that only through a fully consecrated life can his servants channel that strength and light from above to a needy world. “Let the light so shine . . . and what you believe in you should speak about.”

If you brethren feel tired and weary, this is the greeting we bring you from Paul’s words to Timothy: “We thank God when we mention you in our prayers. We are reminded of the sincerity in your faith and that is why we now remind you to stir into flame the gift of God which is within you. For the spirit God gave us is no craven spirit but one to inspire strength, love and self-discipline. So never be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord but take your share of suffering for the sake of the Gospel, in the strength that comes from God . . .”

Remember the words of Christ when he says: "If anyone is thirsty he may come to me for drink." Remember that we don't need to go out and help Christ to be King. HE *is* the King and we are going because He has sent us. Do you remember how He talked to you about the Kingdom as the priceless treasure, when he spoke about the poor labourer ploughing in the hard field and how his plough suddenly struck that buried treasure? What did the man do? He ran down the road to his home crying out in joy: "We are rich, we are rich! That is what He means about our finding the Kingdom. WE ARE RICH! Then our work is no longer a burden, all our daily troubles become minor things and we find that God certainly takes care of his servants.

Fellow workers—ministers and laymen—let us now look forward with that vision which makes no river too wide and no mountain too high.

**WE SPEAK BECAUSE WE BELIEVE . . .**

We ask the church and this Conference to plan the work ahead, victorious in the knowledge and belief that Christ is the King and leader.

**We recommend to you a**

**FOUR YEAR PLAN OF STRATEGY**

**First year: Emphasis on the Local Church**

**Second Year: Emphasis on Stewardship**

**Third Year: Emphasis on Literature**

**Fourth Year: Emphasis on Church Extension**

- A. We recommend the four year emphasis plan to be started this conference year. We should not wait as these programmes are already a part of our work, but need new emphasis and direction.
- B. We recommend that the bishop's address to the conference and the recommendations in the district superintendents' report be the basis for the discussions at the district conferences.
- C. We recommend that the pastors, layleaders and delegates put special emphasis on these recommended plans in their reports.
- D. We recommend circuit meetings of interested laymen to study the reports and find ways of practical implementation of the programme of the local church (at the time of the first quarterly conference to initiate plans).

## I. THE LOCAL CHURCH

Let us share with you words of wisdom from the Dean of Kings College, Cambridge: "If a church or a Christian community is ceasing to be lukewarm and is becoming hot, what are the signs you should expect to see? *First*, in a church that was ceasing to be lukewarm, I should expect to find changes and new experiments being made and welcomed, instead of what I often have heard said when something new is proposed: "Ah, it is no good trying here. The congregation will not stand for it;" or "we tried it before and it did not work . . ." That attitude is the best possible recipe for keeping the church lukewarm. *Second*: In a living church I should expect to find people both young and old showing quite an embarrassing interest in the Christian faith. I am always astonished by the way people go to church and sing and listen to the most astonishing statements they do not fully understand. But do we hear them say: "I must find out what that means. I must go to the pastor and find out what that doctrine means and what that hymn is talking about and what that Bible verse means to my life."

A church which is hot is bursting with curiosity about all these great mysteries of the faith. *Third*: In a church becoming hot I would expect to have to say to myself: "These people have obviously got a hold of something that is too big and too exciting to keep to themselves. And I can see nothing is going to stop them from passing on what they have discovered." *Lastly*: I should expect to find these members asking themselves how they could serve the whole community in which they are placed. Only a lukewarm church is indifferent to the quality of the public and social life in the community around it."

Are we not faced with some of the following problems needing our attention?

1. To a certain extent a failure to recognise the elementary implications of church membership.
2. Serious financial difficulties hampering all our activities due to a lack of understanding of the church members responsibility in giving.
3. A decline in dedication to reach out.

We recognize the need of a plan for the local church and recommend as follows:

1. The pastor and the laymen who are concerned, getting together and asking themselves:
  - a. What is basically wrong in our methods?
  - b. Where do we begin to change?
  - c. What are we aiming at?
  - d. How do we get there?
2. Out of this should come:
  - a. A sense of partnership between the ministry and laity.

- b. An understanding of the church officers' duties, realizing that it is a working assignment—and not just an honourable recognition.
3. An intensified program of training leaders for all phases of our work.
  4. Out of this should develop a church with concern for:
    - a. The surrounding community.
    - b. Those who do not come to church.
    - c. The young people.
    - d. The parents of our school children
    - e. The responsibility of not letting their ministers live on charity.
    - f. Having a laity with high regard for the spiritual care for all its members and followers.

## 2. STEWARDSHIP

The financial situation takes a great deal of our time at meetings of the official boards and quarterly conferences. May we therefore recommend a real study of all phases of stewardship. Each church should ask and answer these questions:

1. Do our people realize as their Christian privilege the giving to the church?
2. Do our people know why they should give or that giving is God's request?
3. Do our members remember their promise they gave when they joined the church?
4. Is giving a part of the training program in our membership classes?
5. Do our people fully understand our church finances?

We also recommend that teams be set up in each district helping our churches in finding ways and means of solving their financial problems, and creating a workable program of stewardship in the different areas.

## 3. LITERATURE

The written word is a strong ally in any effort to convince mankind of certain ideas. We all know that the best seller among books is the Bible. There is a house in Paris where the French philosopher Voltaire, in the 18th century, denounced the Bible as a dead book for the future. In this same house the Bible Society is distributing more Bibles today than ever before. Christian literature is a tremendous help in spreading the gospel and advancing the kingdom. Our church is now engaging itself in doing its ever best to put good books in the hands of our people here in Rhodesia, and our Board of Publications is presenting us with a real program for literature distribution. The committee has great plans and big dreams which they want to put into action. We give them our best wishes, and assure them of our cooperation.

#### 4. CHURCH EXTENSION

We are so often occupied with our own affairs that we become localized entirely and forget the rest of the world. We lock Christ up in our own church and do not share Him with anybody else. We would like to ask all our members to be on the lookout for new possibilities, new places, new people and new ways of reaching out. We recommend that the ministers, with their official boards, make a survey of their areas and in that way make sure that they are not overlooking anything. New areas are opening up and we should move with the people. We suggest small chapels in villages too far from our churches. Every man, woman and child in our area is our responsibility. Never think we have now done what we can. Our work is finished. It is not for us to see the end. It is only for us to understand that the end does not come before the gospel has reached every spot on earth. WE HAVE NOTHING ELSE TO DO THAN TO SAVE SOULS.

We have gathered here at Mutambara for the 25th session of the Rhodesia Annual Conference. It is a great undertaking to be the host for an Annual Conference and we want to thank the people of Mutambara for their invitation.

We want to ask for God's special blessings for the man being our leader, Bishop Dodge, in his most difficult task of guiding the church in all faithful members and ministers and may we say that we many times have had reason to admire your will to do the best. A special thanks we would like to give to the wives of our ministers who under hardships and difficulties faithfully have stood at their husband's side, trying to help them in their day to day task. We very often forget that silent army. Guests of the conference and visitors, we hope you may feel at home with us even if you get tired of all the discussions and debates. We would like to express our gratitude towards Dr. and Mrs. de Wolf for their outstanding help at Epworth and we wish them Godspeed on their way back to the U.S.A.

Many problems are facing us today and demand our attention. We would especially draw the attention to our work in winning the young Rhodesian, the future of the church and this country. We think a re-examination is needed to be able to catch the attention of the young people and give them the vision of what Christ can do through them and what he expects of them. We must put our house in order if we are to make the church ready and prepared for whatever may come—that Africa and Rhodesia may be saved. What we believe—we speak . . .

Let us end by drawing your attention to a small thing which became big. Two hundred twenty-five years ago an unhappy little priest on the evening of May 24 went to a small meeting place at Aldersgate Street in London. The



meeting was not an important one and not very many attended. The leader of the meeting was reading out of a devotional book by Martin Luther. When that little priest, whose name was John Wesley, was sitting there listening he suddenly felt his heart strangely warm. The experience of God's grace and mercy became suddenly a living experience in his life. He stood up and praised God in a prayer of a new type—a prayer of thankfulness that he a sinner would receive salvation free and full—and he started to pray for others that they might have the very same experience.

An emotional thing, some people say, which can be explained by simple psychology. *No!* If judged according to results, this experience of the 'strangely warmed heart' became one of the great determining factors in world history and has been labelled 'The thing which saved England from Revolution.' John Wesley became, from that moment, the spiritual father of a movement not limited to a parish in England but stretching itself out to all corners of the world. The world-wide Methodist Church today is carried forward by 40 million followers. When we today humbly remember this historical event we can still feel the radiance from that strangely warmed heart.

Most important for all of us today—225 years later— assembled here at Mutambara for an Annual Conference is to try by all means to come closer to the One and the only One that can give *us* that strangely warmed heart. This is *not* John Wesley. This is Jesus Christ Himself.

We recommend therefore that Sunday, 26th May be set aside in all our churches as a Sunday in memory of that heart-warming experience.

Faithfully yours,  
Lennart Blomquist                  Jonah Kawadza  
Patron Nyamukapa                  Tom Curtis

#### *REPORT FOR MTASA-MAKONI DISTRICT*

The Conference year began in Mtasa-Makoni with the District Conference at Gandanzara in June. The host pastor, Rev. Parick Machiri, and his people did a fine job of entertaining a large number of delegates and visitors. Rev. G. A. Roberts brought back many memories with his stories of the building of the local church over fifty years ago with the help of Ishe Gandanzara who was then only a young man. All of us appreciated having Bishop Dodge to preach on Sunday morning and to conduct the service of Holy Communion. A fine musical concert on Sunday afternoon brought the conference to a close.

A District Council was elected including the Superintendent, lay leader, treasurers, leaders of Wabvuwi, Rukwadzano, M.Y.F., evangelism, finance, and Christian education. This group gives general direction to the work, and acts in the name of the District conference.

In the first round of Quarterly conferences every circuit accepted its share of the District budget as recommended at the Gandanzara meeting. The District treasurer, Mr. William Marima, assisted by Naboth Gandanzara at Rusape, has done an outstanding job in handling the finances. Every two months a report has been sent to each local church indicating the offerings received and the balance owing for all circuits. In every month but one since the new District system began in August, the full budget has been met and the ministers paid in full.

For the first time in several years a joint District camp-meeting was held in August. We give thanks to God for the work of His Spirit among the large numbers of people who attended, for the preaching done by the three Conference evangelists, for the cooperation and help of Old Umtali as the host church. Another means of evangelism has been the services conducted by students from the Biblical Institute as well as groups from the Secondary and Teacher Training schools on the weekends and during holidays.

Training in Christian education has been given in thirteen different churches, mainly by the Conference Director and the District Director, Rev. Norman Thomas and Mr. Willis Makunike, along with the pastors. Emphasis has been placed upon helping Sunday School teachers, workers with youth, class leaders, and the official board. Always there have been sessions devoted to teaching the meaning of Christian stewardship. Small teams have also conducted weekend stewardship revivals in several churches. January was designated as Stewardship Month for special emphasis across the District.

An additional supply pastor (or evangelist) was assigned to begin work in Inyanga North, Mr. Silas Murahwa. We have been seeking new sites for churches and schools and a mission in that fast growing area. The irrigation project being developed at Nyamaropa promises to bring a large influx of families. A new site has been secured and building is expected to begin immediately on a new church. We are grateful for this new door opening in Inyanga for rapid development. We have also welcomed another new supply pastor, Mr. Kenneth Mhandu, who is at work in the Nyamukwarara valley. Another new project opening up for the District will be the Christian Centre in Rusape, already approved by the Town Management Board.

## MREWA DISTRICT REPORT

We praise the Lord for all the good work which was done in the Mrewa District this last year.

The work in Harare and Highfield townships is growing. We have new preaching points in these circuits.

It is a joy to see how the church is trying to reach the multitudes in the urban areas. There is a great desire among our people to build better church buildings. At Chigudu in the Headlands circuit, they are rennovating their building to compete with the modern buildings, and at Karimazondo station a nice church building has been completed. There are many stations preparing to build permanent church buildings.

We were greatly blessed by the presence of Bishop Dodge to several of our quarterly conferences. His sermons were a great inspiration to the church. His presence enabled us to bring crowds together. Some just came to see the Bishop, but in doing so some received the message and were won to Christ.

At Muchinjike, the last place he visited, as he was shaking hands with people outside the door, many were pressing to see him and shake hands with him, there were so many hands stretching to shake him, that I said, "How can you shake hands with him at one time." One woman replied, "If I can only touch his finger, that is enough." This made me think of our Lord and Master how multitudes came to see him, hear him, and be healed.

Dr. Reid was the guest preacher at our District Conference. We surely enjoyed his sermons. A good number of Epworth students came to help us during Easter and we certainly appreciated their good work. What more shall I say about Rev. N. Thomas, Shona-speaking Religious Education Director? Where he went children smiled, and adults opened their ears. These men are worth all thanks.

At Mrewa Methodist Centre, the evangelists, Rev. Sithole and Rev. Murphree worked wonderfully with our Secondary students.

Mrewa Secondary School is proud to tell the Conference that we now have two sections of Form one and two, and our secondary blocks are now completed.

The district schools are blooming under the managementship of Mr. C. Taylor, and Rev. Alvord. We now have six upper primary schools in the Mrewa district.

*Yours faithfully,  
Jonah Kawadza*

## MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT REPORT

Looking back over the past year, as this report is supposed to do, we get quite a colourful picture telling the story of the day to day struggle in building the Kingdom in the *Mtoko-Nyadiri District*. There are shadows and sunshine in the picture, there are fields ready for harvest. There are ploughed lands ready, waiting for the sowers, there are gardens, some filled with lovely fruit trees and greens, and others neglected. There are sunburnt and scorched lands looking useless, but waiting for the cultivator.

It is surely interesting to study this picture.

At our ministers' and school-managers' regular meetings we are studying this picture. It has something to tell us always. One thing has specially come out of that study, the great need for an understanding of stewardship. As a result a team of missionaries and Africans have gone out two Sundays a month this past term teaching about stewardship with special emphasis on tithing. We have been really encouraged by the results, and that is why we are deciding to have *four* teams going out during the next term to be able to reach all our local churches.

The missionaries have all been taking part in the district program to such an extent, that our minister at Nyadiri complained about not seeing them in the central church as he used to do! One missionary family at a time, has been invited to every Quarterly Conference and that has meant a lot to them and the church.

The women's club-work has become another opportunity in reaching out and we have now about 25 clubs in the district, and more and more requests for starting new ones at a number of other places. It is surely inspiring to see the eagerness for learning. Rukwadzano rwe Wadzimai is carrying on as usual and we hope to gain in membership for this group through the club-work.

Church building programs have been planned for the district. Makosa church was dedicated in November of last year; Katsukunya will soon be completed, and Machejera church has the roof on. Four more churches have been started and plans are ready for four more.

We hope the coming year will be the year of church building. New areas have been opened up north-east from Mtoko and we are trying to move in with the people. A 100-acre site in Area C where, when fully developed, 10,000 people will live, has been obtained.

In Pfungwe-Maramba area we have applied for six more church and school sites.

In spite of difficulties we were able to open P.T.H. class at Nyadiri Centre, and plans are ready for opening a secondary school at Nyamuzuwe, January 1964, the first one in Mtoko area.

To all teachers, school-managers, and principals, I would like to express my thanks for good co-operation in trying to meet all the problems in this rapidly growing area!

Through our hospital at Nyadiri which has got more and better facilities, we feel we have got one of our best opportunities in reaching the people with the Gospel. I would like to express my appreciation to the present staff, for its willingness to serve, and their co-operation in other aspects of our work.

On the dusty roads we meet our ministers in their task of carrying the message of the Kingdom to all villages. I am happy to have the opportunity of working with them in this task, and I would like to thank them for that encouraging smile they have given me so many times, for that meal in their homes, for their gracefulness in taking a little correction and their cooperation in carrying out decisions. An increased membership probably tells some of this story.

The need of training for lay leaders has not been fully understood by our laity, but what we cannot accomplish today we will do tomorrow if God so wishes. Without a devoted and well trained laity the work will not go forward the way we would like.

Tiresome has my travelling program been during the past year but the blessings received and shared with my fellow workers have given me all the strength I needed.

*Yours faithfully,  
Lennart Blomquist*

#### UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, wherever it has gone, has obeyed the great commandment of JESUS CHRIST! "Go ye preach, teach, and baptize all nations."

The Umtali South District has followed this great commandment. The district leaders are trying to bring life to the church and school. The work of the preacher is being carried out and is bringing good results of winning souls of men in this part of the conference. The work of the teacher is also going on well in teaching the young people. Many people have been baptised this year and received into full membership.

The church conducted several big meetings. The annual Wabvuwi meeting was held in Marange at Chiringa Odzi camp site. There were many people who came to worship and give thanks to God the creator. At this meeting the idea of sending men to Nyamaropa was born and carried through. They were not satisfied by sending their own men to Nyamaropa, but chose other men to go overseas and give their witness to the people in Europe and America.

1. **CAMP MEETINGS:** The camp meetings in some areas were not well attended of some reasons we cannot point a finger at. The church services were conducted by pastors and lay-preachers of the district. Each went out with a deep conviction and concern for the human soul. As a result the Christians were awakened to think what to do for the church of God.

2. **BUILDING IN THE DISTRICT:** There is much building going on in the district. Church buildings at Matanda, Nyanyadzi, and Mushunjeare are under construction. It measures love, strength, and understanding of people's obligations to God and His people, as Paul says in II Cor. 3:9.

2b. **BUILDING SCHOOLS:** With the idea of having schools and upper primary schools, and also a secondary at the mission, the people are putting up good and nice buildings. All this work takes responsibility of Christian people.

3. **THE TRAINING PROGRAM:** One year program of training has been prepared for each week training on stewardship, tithing, and training leaders of the church.

a. The district received a wonderful training of Christian home and family life, conducted by Mrs. Verna Culver at one of the churches—Chipfatsura. She was invited to come and help in teaching Christian home and family life. It was attended not only with our Methodist members, but also people from other denominations. The course lasted for a period of one week. We felt the Spirit of Christ moving among His people while we were studying.

b. Lord's Acre training: A specialist on the Lord's Acre program, J. Waldrep visited us. All the people of Zimunya and Maranke met together at Matanda Methodist Church where they received a very thrilling lecture from J. Waldrep. One of the churches following the idea of Lord's Acre has met its local church budget for the whole year to the district. A stewardship course was conducted by Rev. A. Leiknes of the Old Umtali Biblical Institute.

4. **NEW AREAS:** The Conference Secretary of Evangelism sent out evangelists in every district to open up new areas of our work. New lots and leases have been applied for. We give thanks to God for this great inspiration. This extension is going on with the schools. New upper primary schools have been opened.

5. **MISSION AND CITY WORK:** The Mutambara Methodist Centre maintained a very good discipline among boys and girls in boarding. This is due to the cooperation of the staff and the student body.

Mutambara Methodist Hospital welcomed the new year by receiving a medical doctor. The coming of the doctor to the mission has been a blessing. The health of the people has been put on a sure road to good health.

The Sunnyside Homecraft School, Sakubva Business School, and the Methodist Girls' Hostel are going on well, although in some areas work is not as it should have been, in the way of enrollment. These schools are giving a life training to the sons and daughters of Africa.

**CATCHING A VISION:** "Where there is no vision the people perish. Prov. 29:18. The chiefs in the Umtali South district have caught a vision. The vision is this: No people can rise without church and school for its people. They dream of secondary education of the young people of the area. An expression of cooperation was shown by the chief working hand in hand with the school manager and the district superintendent of the area. Men of God and the chiefs of the people work together in building the Kingdom of God on earth.

*Yours faithfully,  
Patron Nyamukapa*

**Agriculture Committee**  
(Daily Proceedings 64)

1. We recommend that the minimum standards of land use as laid down on pages 104 and 105 of the 1962 Conference Journal be put in practise by all users of church properties. We suggest that station executives be responsible for the implementation of this policy. Cases of outright refusal to comply with these standards should be referred to a board designated by the Bishop for final action. We recommend that this procedure extend to include terms of all leases. The violation in each instance should be specifically recorded in the station executive committee minutes. (Referred back to committee for study).

2. We recommend that each Methodist Centre (excluding Nyakatsapa and Arnoldine) plants at least 5 acres of gum trees per year, until such time as a forest is built up adequate to supply local needs. It is understood that farming tenants are being encouraged to plant individual plantations.

3. We recommend that the Board of Trustees request station executives to set aside specific lands for both the local church and district use in the church's stewardship program. We would consider that this arrangement is especially adapted to fruit trees and forestry.

4. We recommend that the Agricultural Committee be authorized to invite fraternal delegates from the British Methodist and the United Church Board for World Ministry to its regular meetings provided no claim be made on Conference funds.

5. We recommend that the Agricultural Aids Foundation be notified that it is impossible to continue the machinery testing program, unless funds are forthcoming on an adequate and regular basis by June 1, 1963, a minimum of £75 (\$200) monthly is suggested.

6. The Agricultural Committee encourages the further development of short courses at Old Umtali M.R.T.C. At the same time we recognize that finances are a limiting factor. Suggestions as to the kind of short courses are welcomed.

7. It is also noted with approval that the Thrift Co-operative Society at Nyakatsapa is progressing and that another has been formed at Old Umtali.

8. We recommend that the Bishop designate responsibility to make a study of the need for agricultural and other vocational training as a bias in the existing secondary schools and that the study include the demands for such a school in African areas. (Referred back to committee for study).

9. We note with regret one of our agriculturalists was moved out of a developing program in stewardship promotion. It is hoped that stewardship be an emphasis in the Religious Education program throughout the conference.

10. We recommend that agricultural instructors who would live at Arnoldine and Nyakatsapa and work in the M.R.T.C. program be planned for in the coming quadrennial program. It is noted that the cost of travel from Old Umtali to Arnoldine would approximate over a year's time, the annual salary of a demonstrator.

11. The Agricultural Committee considers the present arrangement for responsibility of Nyadiri Farm as temporary. Also it is recommended that the subdivisions of land at Nyadiri be implemented as soon as possible.

12. We request the implementation of a standard labour relations agreement adequately protecting both employer and employee applying to all farming operations and other departments of our conference centres. We recommend a committee be appointed by the Bishop to make a study and proposals regarding this matter to the Administrative Board. (Referred back to committee for study).

13. In view of the fact that our church is mostly made up of rural people, we feel that our ministers could best be trained to serve in rural situations by having an opportunity for special study of the rural church. Several overseas seminaries could help in advising us in this. We recommend this as an item on the agenda of the Theological Council.

14. We recommend that where a full-time manager is appointed to a farm that an official advisor is not needed. We submit this for Cabinet guidance.



15. We recommend that all our farms, where possible, be managed by competent African personnel.

16. In keeping with Methodist tradition where equal numbers of ministerial and lay delegates compose Annual Conference, we recommend that our Annual Conference review its composition with the aim of equalizing lay and ministerial representation.

17. Recommendations to the Nominating Committee on membership of the Conference Agricultural Committee: B. Smalley, W. Kinyon, J. Chitombo (Junior), W. Finster, D. Mudzengerere, T. Roberts, W. Masangudza, L. Mukonde and D. Chimbanda.

### **Audio Visual Committee** (Daily Proceedings 75)

The need for a continual re-thinking of how the gospel may continue to be presented in a simple, attractive and realistic way in a society whose traditions and patterns are rapidly changing, is one of the most urgent phases of our work. A layman who visited our library recently and discussed our work, remarked before leaving, "You are rendering an outstanding service to the churches in presenting the gospel in forms that are easily understood and interpreted in a practical way."

Throughout the year the work has been intertwined with that of the Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference and the Consultative Christian Council Board of the three territories. Since the 1st January, 1963, the work has functioned under the organization of the Central Africa Christian Film Library. The facilities have served Methodist Churches along with those of all denominations who cooperate. The figures for the use of the materials and services are most encouraging. It is estimated from returns and records for 1962 that there have been 1,800 films used and shown to a total audience of at least 200,000 people. The staff has addressed meetings, conducted services and held workshops. Daily consultations on the use of Audio Visual materials is a routine of the office. The services rendered to our own Methodist people in securing material and equipment, and servicing equipment, have taken a considerable amount of our time.

Rev. E. Jijita gave the following report at the meeting of the committee:

"Last year, through the help of Rev. E. L. Sells, Paul Wilkins, Rev. Daneel and Rev. Cooper, I gained a lot of experience in the field of Audio Visual work. I learned how to use the material, how to service the equipment, and how to apply the message to the people. I visited several places, and showed many films. This was part of my training, and the other part was that of preaching the gospel. At

each place I had time to speak to boys, girls and adults. I went to places such as Mangula Mine, Nyanyadzi, Chakohwa, Rusape Church, Nyakatsapa Church, Mrewa Mission, Nyadiri Camp Meeting, Harare Methodist Synod, Runyararo Anglican Church, Congregational Church, and several times in the Harare and Highfield Circuits. Twenty thousand, four hundred sixty four people attended these meetings. Wherever I went, people appreciated the films and invited me to come back and show more, as soon as possible. They told me that they were helped to understand the Word of God, and their joy was remarkable. They encouraged me to go ahead with the work. Since I am convinced that my audio visual work must be continued, it is necessary that I have the following equipment:

1. A car or a scooter.
2. A projector and a screen
3. A generator.
4. Sets of various films such as there are in the S.R.C.C. library.

The showing of Christian films is needed much in urban places, because in towns there are films shows from different organizations which are contrary to the Christian gospel though some are good from the educational point of view. Churches should substitute those which are unpleasant for our children with good Christian ones."

Rev. Jijita has given at least three-fourths of his time to the work of Harare Circuit. He has carried heavy responsibilities for scripture teaching and church activities. The circuit has had the major portion of his time, and he has been supported by the Audio Visual and Religious Education funds.

Along with the responsibilities with the Harare Church, he has continued to work to a good advantage, and has responded to every request as time and travel permitted. Recommendations have been made by the Committee to the cabinet for the appointment of the Rev. Jijita for the continuation of his work.

The Committee makes the following recommendations:

a) That further arrangements should be made for more *sectonal meetings or workshops* to be organized at convenient places and at Methodist Centers. These should be made through the Secretary.

b) The recommendation made to the last session of the Conference and the suggestion made for the *training of projectionists* is again called to the attention of Methodist Centers. "We recommend and emphasise that every centre train a teacher in each department to use equipment. This training could be done in the Audio Visual Library in Salisbury during a holiday. It is necessary to coordinate and more centralise the Audio Visual work."

c) There should be an *Audio Visual Aids Committee* at every centre for promoting the use of material in the church and school.

d) The Conference should more effectively use the *material in the Central Africa Film Library* and look to the Library as the main sources of supply.

It is most desirable that all our activities and extension programs in the Conference be more effectively integrated. The supply of available materials must be greatly increased. To this end the cooperating Christian Councils of the three territories are materially helping. Our library, audio visual services and public relations are the only full-time facilities of this nature in Africa. It is providing the leadership that is being increasingly sought in the use of audio visual methods. Let us all be as practical in church work as in that of schools.

Rev. Sells has also carried heavy responsibilities with the Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference since taking on the work of a General Secretary last August. Our offices in Bible House have become an interesting Ecumenical Centre with world wide contacts. We look forward during the coming Conference year to rendering a more effective service to all of our churches.

Rev. Denys Saunders wrote:

"I have five senses you must reach  
If I'm to learn and you're to teach;  
With taste, touch, smell, sight so clear,  
Must I receive all learning by the ear?"

### **Audit Committee**

(Daily Proceedings No. 45)

The Audit Committee has audited the following books:

**RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE TREASURER:** These books were audited and found correct. The balance of £1995-3-9 on the ledger cash page agrees with the bank balance of £1995-3-9.

**CONFERENCE PENSION FUND:** The bank balance of £331-14-9 agrees with the ledger cash page balance of £331-14-9 and were received as correct. Invested funds amount to £10,550-6-0.

**MYF BOOKS:** These books were audited and found correct with a balance of £15-13-2. The Treasurer reports £15-0-1 cash on hand and the bank balance shows 3/1 balance which makes a total of £15-13-2 which agrees with the cash book.

**UMBOWO BOOKS:** The balance shown in the cash book of £111-15-1 agrees with the bank savings balance of £111-6-1 plus cash on hand of 9/0 which was counted and found correct.

STUDENT LOAN BOOKS: These books were found correct with a balance of £65-0-4. Of this amount £54-13-9 is being held in the bank and £10-6-7 is cash on hand which was counted and found correct.

WABVUWI SOUTH: The treasurer reports that the organization voted to cancel the old debt of £28-2-3 owing from the previous treasurer. (See p. 97 of the 1962 Conference Journal under Wabvuwi South). The present balance in the books is £150-11-7½. The Post Office savings balance is £119-2-6 and cash on hand of £31-9-1½ makes a total of £150-11-7½.

WABVUWI NORTH: These books were audited and found correct with a balance of £66-7-7 which is all in the Post Office Savings account.

RUKWADZANO RWEWADZIMAI: These books were checked and with minor corrections were accepted with a balance of £1776-6-6 which is in Post Office Savings account. No statement was made as to whether there was any cash on hand.

AFRICAN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION NORTH: The balance of £60-12-0½ agrees with the savings account balance of £56-18-0 and cash on hand of £3-14-0½ which was counted and found correct.

AFRICAN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION SOUTH: These books were found correct with a balance of £75-18-8 with £73-0-8 in Post Office Savings account and £2-18-0 cash on hand which was counted and found correct

UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT TREASURER: These books were found to be correct with a balance of £12-0-2. Of this amount £9-5-1 is in a checking account in the bank and £2-15-1 is cash on hand.

MUTASA MAKONI DISTRICT TREASURER: These books were presented for audit, but were returned for completion as no bank reconciliation was made. The treasurer is asked to complete them and present them for final audit to the committee within a month.

The following books were not presented for audit:

NGARIENDE

CHIKWIZO BOOKS

CHIKWIZO BUILDING ACCOUNT BOOKS

MREWA DISTRICT TREASURER

MTOKO NYADIRI DISTRICT TREASURER

No reports were made on School Committee books as to their audit in the Umtali South District, Mrewa District or Mtoko Nyadiri District. Mutasa Makoni District Superintendent reports, "There have been no audits of the school committee books in this District since last Conference, but we shall set up a schedule in the second and third term of this year to get them all done."

## **Christian Convention, South**

(Daily Proceedings No. 19)

1. (a) We strongly request our Annual Conference to open more Upper Primary and Secondary Schools in the reserves.

(b) The receiving of a child in any class must not only be based on grades but on character as well.

(c) We discourage Community Schools, because they do not help us much. (Referred to Schools Committee).

2. Our great appreciation is due to the Committee on Christian Home and Family for the good work they did. We still hope they will cover more places in our Conference.

Again we ask the Christian parents to teach their children Christian ways of life.

3. We of the Christian Convention say, if there are things done at a certain school which hinder the growth of the Church and community, such as that a teacher may have a second wife and still teach, the School Manager should take action immediately, and discipline that person, working together with the Church Superintendent according to the Quarterly Conference rule. If the School Manager is not doing this the Annual Conference should see him and discipline him. (Referred to Schools Committee).

4. We strongly urge all Christians to help by speaking with those people who are drinking and smoking, both teachers and other church members. Let us try the best we can to discourage these evil habits. (Referred to Board of Temperance).

5. We all want the Christian Convention to continue. This is a good meeting for all Christians of the Methodist Church. But it should have some variations in its agenda. Sometimes various speakers should be invited to speak on different subjects, such as: (a) Education—The school inspectors or any other people of the Education Department. (b) Marriage—The Native Department be invited to speak on this. (c) Politics—It might be a Member of Parliament or other government official. (d) Evangelism—Members of the Board of Evangelism.

If these were done it would help us grow in the knowledge of God, Education, and Politics.

### **Committee on Christian Education**

(Daily Proceedings No. 52)

Sunday School Leaders

1. We urge every church to have Sunday School classes for children, youth, and adults. It is the responsibility of the Official Board, led by the pastor and the Sunday School superintendent, to secure sufficient teachers for the Sunday School. We encourage teaching by laymen and laywomen, including school teachers.

## Work of the Sunday School Superintendent

2. We recommend that the Sunday School superintendent be responsible for all Sunday School classes, not just the adult classes.

### Children's Camps

3. We recommend that camps be held for children to teach about the bible and the church. These camps could be held either at camp-meeting or annual conference time.

### Junior Methodist Fellowship

4. To provide a separate fellowship group for children under twelve years of age, we recommend that *pastors* assist in forming Junior Methodist Fellowships. These groups could meet after the Sunday service during the hour of adult Sunday School and M.Y.F. for singing, bible stories, prayer and games.

### Junior Choirs

5. We encourage *pastors* and local churches to organize Junior choirs in addition to regular church choirs. We request that Mr. Kauffman assist in organizing them and in providing music.

### To Strengthen Local MYFs

6. We recommend to *pastors* and *local MYFs*: That every pastor see that MYF Sunday is held in every church during 1963-64, with the MYF members leading in worship on that Sunday. That young people be given jobs to do in the church, such as receiving the offering, caring for the building, etc. That the MYF be encouraged in a Lord's Acre program to raise vegetables for sale in support of the church.

### MYF District Organization

7. We recommend to the Conference MYF and to the district superintendents that the MYF be organized on the district level, with district officers and with the district Christian education workers to advise the district officers. We recommend that a district MYF conference be held each year to train local MYF leaders and to plan the district MYF program. District leadership teams may be organized and sent in visitation to local MYF groups, to share Christian experience and help strengthen the local group.

### Reports

8. We ask the district superintendents and *pastors* to encourage all MYFs to report their activities to the District Conference and Quarterly Conference, including their problems and difficulties.

### Salisbury Christian Centre

9. We request the Annual Conference to continue its efforts toward the planning of a Christian centre in Salisbury.

### Circuit Leadership Schools

10. We urge each *pastor* to have a leadership training school in his circuit during 1963-64. This school shall be part of the Christian Education Week of his circuit.

### Refresher Courses

11. We recommend that each local church send one or more representatives to the Christian education refresher course. This training program is for Sunday School superintendents, teachers, MYF and class leaders, and for district Christian education workers. The next course will be held at Old Umtali Biblical Institute in October. We recommend to *district superintendents* that Christian education training courses be held in districts during school holidays, so that school teachers as well as other local leaders will be free to go as representatives of their churches.

#### Christian Teachers' Convention

12. We recommend that the *school managers* and conference Christian education director together plan special conventions of Christian teachers for study of Christian leadership in school and church.

#### O.U.B.I. Christian Education Training

13. We urge the *Joint Theological Council* and the *Cabinet* to appoint a person qualified to teach in Christian education as one of the four teachers at Old Umtali Biblical Institute. We recommend that courses in Christian education be one-fourth of the curriculum at O.U.B.I. This teacher could also assist in T.T., and in the Christian education programme of Ehnes Memorial Church.

#### At Teacher Training Schools

14. We recommend that the new materials prepared for Sunday School, class meetings, and MYF groups be made an important part of the training program for teacher training students. We suggest that each teacher training school buy sufficient copies of these materials for use in practice teaching.

#### Standard Leadership Training Courses

15. We recommend that the Conference Christian Education Committee begin the writing of Standard Leadership training Courses in Christian education for use in teacher training schools and church leadership training schools. Courses will be prepared for the following:

1. Teachers for Sunday School and Superintendents
2. Teachers for Church Membership Classes
3. Advisors for M.Y.F.
4. Class meeting leaders
5. Junior church leaders
6. Churchmanship

#### New Scripture Scheme

16. We recommend that the Annual Conference authorize the Conference Committee on Christian Education to prepare a new Scripture Scheme during 1963-4. The new scheme will be based upon the South African *Scripture Helps* syllabus, with daily lesson plans added. Upon its adoption by the Committee, the new scheme shall replace the government scheme in all Methodist Conference schools.

## Christian Home and Family Committee

(Daily Proceedings No. 42)

1. We would like to co-opt the assistance of all our Church in encouraging *both* parents to be present when their children are baptized. We feel there is a need for a small pamphlet on Christian Baptism which would include a list of names and their meanings. This book would be given out to parents well ahead of the baptism date. We would like to refer this to the Literature Department or Board of Publications of our Conference.

2. We request that the committee on Ngoma include hymns on the Christian home and family, wedding hymns and baptism hymns, and that they be sure to include the Christian marriage and baptism rituals in the Ngoma.

3. Realizing the serious threat to our families and to the Christian church, we ask our Bishop and cabinet to appoint a full-time worker in temperance.

4. We encourage the Conference to cooperate with the dates for Christian Home and Family Week suggested by the Christian Conference and at the same time we suggest that ministers, particularly those who have a number of churches, be free to carry out Christian home and family training in their particular churches at times when they themselves can be present and give their concentrated effort to each.

5. We recommend that Sunnyside continue with its unique opportunity as a Home-Craft School serving our mothers and homemakers who would not otherwise have wonderful opportunity. We are wondering about the possibilities of a variety of short term courses to enable more mothers to avail themselves of this training.

6. We are thankful for the good work done by Mrs. Sells and others on a new cook book which has been approved by the Board of Publications. We hope it will be completed soon.

### 7. REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN HOME AND FAMILY INSTITUTES.

One of the emphases of this Quadrennium is *The Christian Outreach*. We believe that Jesus Christ is the Redeemer of the *whole* of human life, the re-creator of a disordered world, the Lord of the Family—the Lord of All! If Christianity is to be a living religion in Rhodesia, we must *Live With Christ In Our Homes*. How is this accomplished? The changing family in a changing society presents new problems and new opportunities. Help is needed in establishing Christianity in the roots of our homes and in the daily patterns of learning to live as Christians ought to live. This working committee was approved last Conference for this task.



a) *Institutes*: This year some very effective Christian Home and Family Institutes have been held where leaders received training and where pertinent problems were discussed, and creative ideas were formulated on the tremendous possibilities of the Christian Home. We are grateful to the sixteen persons who have lectured and been consultants.

b) *Resource Materials*: Books and materials as resource materials for this working in this field, as well as those which might be helpful to our church people, have been collected and lists of these have been sent out.

c) *New Materials*: New materials on many subjects relating to the Christian Home and Family have been written and duplicated. We feel these will be most valuable to our churches, as the materials have been stimulated by the work of the Institutes and deal with the up-to-date situations in our country. A packet containing at least 24 different types of material has been sent out to all ministers and other workers in the conference.

It is our sincere hope that we will continue in our discovery of the fundamental values which regulate African marriage, the dangers of disintegration to be avoided and the rich experience which Christianity offers to marriage and the family, with the result that we will allow Jesus Christ to dwell in the homes of this conference as He wills.

8. The above report was received with gratitude. We ask for someone to replace Mrs. Culver in this work this next year. We *strongly* urge the conference to take note of the need for this training in Christian Home and Family and the opportunity which is before our church through this training.

9. We recommend that if Mrs. Culver gets a chance for further study along these lines while on furlough, that she have the backing of the conference.

10. We suggest the name of N. Thomas to replace Mrs. Culver on the Sub-Committee for Institutes. It was agreed that the collection of Resource Books for Christian Home and Family Institutes be placed in the Epworth Library and under the care of N. Thomas. Here they would be available and well cared for. Epworth has agreed to this.

11. We strongly recommend that Mr. and Mrs. Saburi be appointed to the work of Christian Home and Family in this conference and work with Rev. Thomas in achieving this.

12. We are grateful that Mrs. Zimonte, Mr. J. Kurewa and Rev. Chitombo had the privilege of attending the Family Life Conference in Chicago, also that Mr. and Mrs. Elia Saburi spent a valuable two months training period at the All-Africa Seminar on Christian Home and Family Life held at the Mindolo Ecumenical Centre, Kitwe, N. Rhodesia,

17th February to 10th April 1963.

13. Finally, after we have done some more training in Family Institutes, we would like to look forward in a year or two to a Family Life Institute of the whole Conference to which Bishop H. Werner and other experts in this field would be invited to share with us in this wonderful part of building the Kingdom of God.

### **Christian Social Concerns** (Daily Proceedings Nos. 59, 62)

Mindful of the critical period in the history of Southern Rhodesia in which we are now involved, we are concerned that the Church in this country present a witness that is in keeping with Christian principles and the realities of the present situation. We feel that this witness should be made both through the quality of the internal life of the Church itself, as well as through our relationship directly with society. Although we in the Methodist Conference are gratified with the progress that we have made in this connection, we cannot afford to be complacent in the face of the magnitude of the problems and opportunities that lie before us. In spite of the fact that we are only the fifth largest church denomination in Southern Rhodesia, obviously the way in which we act can serve as an example to the entire Church. The Committee on Christian Social Concerns recognizes the heavy burden of responsibility this places upon it and respectfully submits the following report of its work and proposals for strengthening the witness of the Conference.

#### **CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS PROGRAM**

In order to develop a continuing program of Christian Social Concerns over the Conference throughout the conference year, the Committee has mapped out a program which provides for:

##### *1. Organization of Committees*

a. To date, according to our information, six local church committees have been established—Mufakosi, Highfields, Harare, and Mabvuku in Salisbury, Old Umtali, and Mutambara.

b. We urge each district superintendent and each pastor to see that local church committees on Christian Social Concerns be established in each local church at the first Quarterly Conference in the coming conference year. Even though some churches may at first feel that they are too small to support a committee, we are convinced that most of our local churches are able to form at least a small group for the purpose of discussing together and studying literature on social problems from time to time.

c. We urge each district superintendent to see that a district committee on Christian Social Concerns is established at the next District Conference, the main purpose of which would be to help establish and maintain local church committees over the district.

d. In the period following completion of the first Quarterly Conferences, a series of district workshops or seminars on Christian Social Concerns is planned for the primary purpose of orientating pastors and officers of Christian Social Concerns committees in the Christian approach to social problems and opportunities.

e. The Conference Committee itself has appointed a six-member executive centered in Salisbury to promote and coordinate the Christian Social Concerns program between meetings of the full committee.

f. It is requested that the names and addresses of the officers of all such local church and district committees that are appointed be sent to the secretary of the Conference Committee, Rev. R. E. Hughes, Room 29, Wonder Shopping Center, Kingsway, Salisbury, without delay in order that materials might be sent to them.

g. In a memorial submitted separately from this report, we are requesting the Central Conference at its next meeting make specific provision in the Central Conference *Discipline* for the organization and function of conference, and local committees on Christian Social Concerns.

h. We recognize that there is strength in unity, and that often times our social witness has been ineffective or nonexistent due, at least in part, to our lack of organization and absence of groups or individuals being assigned specific responsibility. It is hoped that through organizing the Christian expression of our social concerns and acting with other Christian denominations at local, national, and international levels, we will be able to achieve a more effective focus and impact which in the past has been difficult to achieve. Examples of this type of cooperation are seen in the recent "Zimbabwe Day of Prayer" observances in the Salisbury African townships which we strongly commend, and the All-Africa Council of Churches.

## 2. *Information*

a. The production of literature is planned with first priority being given to a handbook in pamphlet form to serve as a guide to the work of local church committees on Christian Social Concerns.

b. In response to the need for reliable information on laws, the political situation and other current events relating to Christian Social Concerns as expressed by the 1962 Conference session on page 79, paragraph "d", of the *Journal*, the Committee plans to produce a newsletter from time to time, distributing it over the Conference on as wide a basis as resources will permit. It is anticipated that the work of various committees on Christian Social Concerns will be reported along with lists of publications and films appropriate for local church study and discussion.

c. It is hoped that surveys can be carried out and case studies of selected local situations be made on subjects of importance, the results being reported through the newsletter.

d. We encourage our people, especially Africans, to write more articles on topics of social concern for our publications—"UMBOWO", "African Christian Advocate" and church school materials.

### *STRENGTHENING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH*

3. Non-racial education in Conference schools: We wish to remind the membership of our church of the resolution passed at our last annual conference calling for the repeal of legislation which required the maintenance of segregation in mission schools and that the Conference supported the idea of non-racial education. We wish to point out that there were at least three instances of missionary children having attended our mission schools besides the Nyadiri Experimental School prior to the repeal of this law last August. In addition, during the past school term, there have been four further instances of missionary children attending two of our mission schools, which practice we commend to other missionary families. If the Nyadiri Experimental School curriculum is to be adopted at other stations, we recommend financial support from the Conference to facilitate the rapid implementation of this curriculum.

4. We express our commendation of and hopes for further progress in:

a. The establishment of interchangeable housing for missionaries and African staff on our mission stations;

b. The continued advancement of Africans into positions of responsibility in our Conference work;

c. The free interchange of ideas along the lines of the Bernard Mizeki consultation;

d. The leadership that our bishop has shown in matters relating to Christian Social Concerns;

e. The Ehnes Memorial Church's Committee on Christian Social Concerns for the promptness with which it protested the banning of ZAPU last September.

5. We ask that a Sunday in our church calendar be designated for the special observance of Christian Social Concerns, such Sunday to be selected by the Cabinet or other appropriate body, after consultation with the Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference for the purpose of securing nation-wide observance if this is possible. We request that our bishop prepare an appropriate statement on our social concerns to be read in all pulpits in the Conference on this occasion.

6. We recognize that when a person does not participate freely in the shaping of the decisions and plans of a group, he does not feel a strong responsibility for carrying out those decisions. In the same way, when a person feels free to say what is in his mind and in his heart and feels that what he says will be listened to and considered respectfully in mapping out the program of the committee or board on which he serves, he will feel a much stronger responsibility for carrying out the work of the group. For the sake of good relations between our conference workers and for the sake of our total program, we earnestly appeal to our African churchmen, both clergy and laymen alike, to speak their thoughts frankly and freely in order that our church can more fully take into account the thinking of the African people as we plan our work. We make this general appeal while recognizing the need for more thorough study of this committee of the causes for this condition.

7. We recognize the dilemma that many of our missionaries feel when, as citizens of another country and guests of the Federation, they are confronted with governmental practices they consider contrary to Christian principles. We are convicted that all Christians are bound to represent Christ and His ways at all times in all places and that the deportation of a missionary, instead of necessarily being detrimental, can constitute a high tribute to a committed and courageous Church. Nevertheless we also feel that the decisions that lead a missionary to risk this experience for himself and his family are ultimately personal. Again we recognize the need for further study and clarification of this problem.

#### *OUR WITNESS TO SOCIETY*

8. We wish to express to the British Government and to the British people most strongly our view that independence should not be granted Southern Rhodesia before there is another constitutional conference which would provide for majority rule in this country. The granting of independence to the present minority government would be a catastrophe as far as the future relations of white and black in this country are concerned: This church supports the principle of every man's right to vote, with certain universal exceptions, as it is an inalienable human right. This church is further opposed to any unilateral declaration of independence by the present Southern Rhodesian Government.

9. Ban on Z.A.P.U. We urge the Southern Rhodesian Government to lift the ban on the Zimbabwe African People's Union so that African nationalism may have a means of expressing itself. Nationalist leaders may at present have the right to form a new nationalist party but they feel that this action will only lead to another banning in the future. Therefore we feel that the government can show its good faith by lifting the ban on Z.A.P.U. We urge

nationalist leaders, in addition, to be willing to meet with government leaders on this problem so that communication can be re-established between the leaders of the races in Southern Rhodesia.

10. *Recent Security Legislation*: We are deeply concerned about the trend that was established by the previous government of Southern Rhodesia and which is being perpetuated by the present government in which basic human rights and civil liberties are being increasingly sacrificed in the name of state security law and order. We question whether any state which feels it must fashion such legislation to protect itself from the people it professedly serves can be regarded as acting in response to the will of the people of that country. Under the guise of "law and order" we have witnessed the growing substitution of the rule of man for the rule of law and seen individuals and groups deprived of basic rights.

Even more serious is the uncertainty, confusion and fear that is produced among the citizens as to what is legal and illegal behavior when the state assumes powers that are based upon broad, vague, complex laws. This usually results in an over self-discipline on the part of the people in stopping short of anything that might be remotely regarded as approaching illegal behavior.

We are concerned about the erection of stumbling blocks in the way of the exercise of freedom in this country, and we urge the removal of political frustration of the people of this country through the institution of genuinely representative government. This, in our opinion, is the key to truly responsible government.

11. *Ministry to Prisoners*: We are concerned about our ministry to prison inmates, especially those under sentence for political offences of whom there is a large number in this country. We urge our ministers to make certain that the names of prisoners from their congregations are forwarded to ministers located in the community where the prisoner is detained, and we urge our clergymen to endeavor to fulfill a ministry of reconciliation and rehabilitation with such persons. We urge that the conference committee which dispenses correspondence school bursaries give special consideration to any applications from our Methodist political prisoners.

12. *Martin Luther King*: The committee recently forwarded a letter of encouragement and commendation to Dr. Martin Luther King, prominent Negro civil rights leader in the United States who was recently imprisoned along with 200 other Negroes in Birmingham, Alabama after protesting colour bar laws in non-violent mass demonstrations.

13. *African Customs—Widows and Orphans*: Africans, like all others, have both good and bad customs. The good ones should be taught to the children and the church should encourage this. Customs help to make a people a nation. For this reason, an attempt must be made to analyze African customs. Of all the bad customs which must be combatted there is one which should be eradicated as soon as possible. This concerns the welfare of the wife and children after the death of the father. Some heirs take all the possessions left by the deceased and as a result the wife and the children suffer. To avoid a situation like this, the church should combat it. The church must urge all men to write a legal will which would protect the wife and children. It is the responsibility of the church to take the lead in combatting this sort of bad custom.

The committee has available legal information on making wills for Africans.

*Other Issues*: The committee recently undertook a study of the issues of African wages, and the practice of lobola and polygamy. No recommendations are available on these subjects at this time.

### **Committee on Ball-Room Dancing**

(Daily Proceedings No. 66)

After due consideration, the committee felt it was not competent to compile a list of dances which would be generally suitable for every situation in the Conference. The wide range of social and educational background makes it difficult to generalize at this point.

Recognizing that there has been a trend to place such responsibility in the hands of the Annual Conference, we feel it is important that each local Christian community work out its own solution in a way which is both in keeping with wholesome Christian principles and in the interest of a dynamic and growing Christian witness. This means in part struggling to be the body of Christ in each given situation.

With this in mind, we recommend the following guiding principles to each of our local Christian communities:

(1) To heed the words of the 1960 DISCIPLINE—"While believing that the social and recreational instinct is God-given and if properly guided will strengthen rather than injure the spiritual life, we also believe that the Christian must exercise safeguards in the stewardship of leisure time. Attention is called therefore to the improper use of leisure time as a serious barrier to spiritual growth citing in particular attendance upon immoral, questionable, and misleading theatrical and motion picture performances, immoral or improper forms of dancing, and all amusements

where gambling is involved. The Christian is urged to make his amusements the subject of earnest thought and frequent prayer, being careful not to set any injurious example. The scriptural injunction to avoid every appearance of evil should be the basis upon which the Holy Spirit can give light in any given situation in the life of a Christian believer."

(2) To recognize the wholesome qualities of dancing in general such as (a) an activity in which nearly everyone can participate, (b) one which requires few facilities, (c) one which provides an opportunity for boys and girls to meet socially under proper and careful supervision.

(3) To remember that as each Christian community works out its own solution there will be repercussions upon the church at large.

(4) To give consideration to the place of the pastor, in consultation with the Official Board and Quarterly Conference, as shepherd of his flock, bearing the ultimate responsibility for the moral and spiritual development of the local Christian community.

### **Committee Report on Adultery**

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 25, 68)

**ADULTERY:** When a Quarterly Conference takes action we recommend that notification of this action should be sent to the School Manager or Principal involved, stating the reasons for the action and who decided what action should be taken. This notification should be signed by the Pastor, the D.S., and the secretary of the Quarterly Conference.

b. What is the Christian way of Marriage? The payment of the Lobola is not enough in itself. There must be a special wedding day in a church or a civil marriage.

c. (1) When people marry and the baby comes too soon, we recommend they should be put on probation from church membership for one year.

(2) If there is no sign of repentance, they should be suspended from church membership. Teachers who show no sign of repentance should be given due notice or be dismissed from teaching in our church if permission is given by the Ministry of Education.

d. When teachers involved in adultery do not marry, send in a disciplinary report and request they be dismissed from teaching in our church.

e. When teachers do not marry and there is no adequate proof of adultery, give them a term's notice if you feel they are guilty.

**TOBACCO AND DRINK:** Teachers should sign the already prepared contract stating they agree with the Methodist Church's teachings on tobacco and drink. (Referred to the Board of Temperance).



CHURCH ATTENDANCE: At the Centres, because the centre takes the place of the parent, church services and Sunday School are compulsory. M.Y.F. is voluntary but students who do not go to M.Y.F. must stay in the dorms.

In villages, Sunday School and church attendance should be encouraged.

### CONFERENCE TREASURER (D. P. 43)

From April 12, 1962—April 22, 1963

#### RECEIPTS:

1. Balance from last year	1093-10-10
2. Committee on Coordination for Conference Journal	118-16- 9
3. Committee on Coordination for salaries of evangelists	454- 0- 0
4. Committee on Coordination for ministers' salaries (subsidy)	3414-12- 3
5. Committee on Coordination for scholarships (ministers' children)	228-17- 5
6. Committee on coordination for treasurer's office expense	100- 0- 0
7. Rukwadzano for Common Pool	50- 0- 0
8. Districts, for Common Pool & Assessments	3920- 0- 7
9. Religious Education for Common Pool	184- 5- 0
10. Gift for Common Pool	20- 0- 0
11. Gift for Treasurer's Office	12- 0- 0
	<u>9596- 2-10</u>

#### EXPENDITURES:

1. Administration Fund of General Conference	20- 0- 0
2. Baby Fold	3- 3
3. Salaries: Ministers, Evangelists & Approved Supply Pastors	3425-13- 7
4. Conference Secretary	32 18- 2
5. Repayments on loan from Committee on Coordination	500- 0- 0
6. Moving Expenses fo Ministers	201- 3- 0
7. Salaries: Religious Education Workers	63-15- 0
8. Scholarship for Ministers' Children	228- 0- 0
9. Ministers' Subsidy	2874-11- 5
10. Travel: Conference Lay Leader	4-10- 0
11. Travel: Ministers & Supply Pastors to	

Conference	96- 6- 5
12. Travel: Conference Representatives	2-14- 4
13. Treasurer's Office Expenses	148-16- 5
14. Lay Workers' Retirement Fund for Religious Education Workers & Evangelists	2- 7- 6
15. Balance on Hand	1995- 3- 9
	<u>9596- 2-10</u>

I. C. Musamba  
Conference Treasurer

Trial Balance April 22, 1963 Rhodesia, Annual Conference	Debits	Credits
1. Assessments		388- 6- 8
2. Cash	1995- 3- 9	
3. Central Conference Fund		142-17- 1
4. Conference Journal		172- 2- 6
5. Conference Secretary		10-10- 8
6. Conference Treasurer		50- 2- 7
7. Episcopal Fund		288- 0- 0
8. Loan from C.o.C.		836-13- 4
9. Loan Control Account	836-13- 4	
10. Motor-car Fund (African District Superintendents		73- 9- 0
11. Moving Expenses of African Ministers	51- 3- 0	
12. Scholarships—Ministers' Ch'ldrn		17- 5
13. Subsidy from C.o.C.		878- 2- 9
14. Travel Conference Lay Leader		17- 3- 6
15. Travel: African Ministers and Approved Supply Pastors		6-14- 7
16. Travel: Delegates to S.R.C.C.		18- 0- 0
	<u>2883- 0- 1</u>	<u>2883-0-1</u>

**Board of Evangelism**  
(Daily Proceedings Nos. 13, 71)

“The seventy returned with joy, saying, ‘Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!’ And He said to them, ‘I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.’” (Luke 10:17-20, RSV)

Excerpts from the Report of the Conference Secretary of Evangelism:

“At the outset of this report I should like to say that I consider this past Conference year to have been one of the most successful in evangelism that we have had, at least since my experience with this phase of our work began in 1955. Like the other programs of our Conference, our work can be viewed generally, from the point of view of its total program and achievement, or intensively, from the point of view of specific aspects of the program, and in making this evaluation I am using the first approach. In years past we have had highly successful individual evangelistic campaigns, but I think that in no year of my experience have we had such a widespread evangelistic program, both geographically and in terms of the different aspects of evangelistic work.

“This has been due to a wide range of factors, of which I will mention only a few:

1. In the first place there is the indisputable fact that the Conference in its official capacity have finally given substantial support to its evangelistic program, both in terms of finance and personnel. On my return last year I found an increased budget and the appointment of two additional ministers to full-time evangelistic work . . . I would like to thank the Board, the Cabinet and my predecessor . . . for their part in this happy state of affairs . . . We are grateful to the Committee on Coordination for the help we received to meet the difficulty (or financing additional personnel) . . .

2. A second factor that I would like to mention is the splendid cooperation that we received from the District Superintendents, the ministers, and the missionaries. The D.S.s have not only shown a willingness for us to carry out our program in their districts, but have also shown great initiative in pushing the evangelistic program in their respective areas. Although we met with a couple of exceptions, we also found this spirit of cooperation to be the case with the ministers. We have also been fortunate in the support we have been given by the missionaries and other workers on our mission stations.

3. Another important factor in the success of our work this year is that there appears to be a swing among the people we work with away from a nominal, uncritical acceptance of Christianity to a deeper and more careful consideration of the cost of Christian discipleship. They are more eager than previously for a presentation of the Gospel in terms of personal commitment to an experience and life in Jesus Christ. The total impact of these changes for our evangelistic programs meant: more support for our program from the people of the church, more initial antagonism to our message from those that we seek to evangelize, but finally, more deep commitment to the Christ from those who finally do accept Him as Lord. The cost of following

the Lord today is high; people are carefully counting that cost, but I am happy to report that in both rural and mission station situations today the high challenge of Christ is being answered affirmatively by large numbers of the African people.

4. Finally, and most important, we praise the Holy Spirit for His continued presence and ministry among us. We in the evangelistic ministry have been deeply aware of His work in our midst, an awareness made more acute by our knowledge of our own inadequacies. We praise God that He is still able to feed the multitudes with the few miserable loaves and fishes that we are able to bring Him as raw materials. The scheme for our last year's work called for a number of evangelistic campaigns to be held jointly by all three Conference Evangelists, and then for Chipaumire and Chieza to give most of their time to rural evangelism while Murphree did work in the new areas of our church and held an evangelistic campaign with the students in each of our mission stations . . . a total of thirty-three campaigns were carried out by the three evangelists, either together or separately. An interesting offshoot of this ministry has been considerable correspondence with the students, as they have written requesting counselling and advice on personal problems.

#### *RECOMMENDATIONS*

1. We note with interest that Rev. D. Nyamurowa and N. Muskwe of Chitimbe made a trip to Chesa. We would like to ask Rev. Nyamurowa to make a report of his journey to the Conference.

2. We ask the Board of Ministry to change the wording of paragraph 26a (p. 71 of 1962 Conference Journal) of their report so that all approved supply pastors with full charges have the right to administer the sacraments. We appreciate the action of the Board of Ministry in regard to their granting the right of administering the sacraments to approved supply pastors with full charges as J. Makuto and J. Masenda and urge that this policy be continued by the Board of Ministry and the administrative authorities of the church.

3. We recognize that several groups have undertaken to send evangelistic teams to the Mkota and Chikwizo areas, but it has been done only on a small scale. Therefore, we reiterate our request of 1962 that the Vabvuwi, Rukwadzano and M.Y.F. should appoint teams to assist in the evangelism of the Mkota, Chikwizo, Rusambo, and Nyamaropa areas with the understanding that any expenses involved in the establishment of these teams are to be borne by the respective organization.

4. We thank the Board of Publications for their work on the translation of the Bible Correspondence Course at O.U.-B.I. and we ask them if the entire course is now available in Shona. We would like to ask the dean of the course whether the course is being used or not, and whether by ministers or laymen or both. Also we would like for the address of the course to be printed in their report to the Conference.

5. We recommend that the extension work of Epworth Theological College and Old Umtali Biblical Institute be continued under the direction of the District Superintendents, the Coordinator of Conference Extension programs and the respective staffs of the schools. We regret that we must ask that the finances of such visitations should be borne by the respective institutions.

6. In reference to our recommendation of 1962 concerning the establishment of District Committees of Evangelism, we would like to ask the District Superintendents what has been done about this item.

7. We reiterate our recommendation that the Bishop and Cabinet appoint a missionary to full-time service for evangelistic work among Europeans in areas not now being reached.

8. We commend the work of the TT students and staff for their work with Sunday School classes on the centres and in the surrounding villages.

9. We recommend to Annual Conference 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.

10. We reiterate our support of the recommendation from the Bernard Mizeki Consultation that teachers who are effective Christian churchmen may be appointed as head-teachers "regardless of church affiliation." We commend the work of the D.S.'s and the staff of the various centres for their cooperation and work with the pastors of the various circuits.

11. We recommend that missionary laymen be designated to work with leaders of Vabvuwi, if so requested, to see that training in evangelism is given to their members and we recommend the use of local preachers' training courses as well as district and circuit training courses in visitation evangelism.

12. We praise God for His work in the establishment of many new churches in the Conference during this past year and we set a new goal of ten more churches to be established in the areas of need during the coming year.

13. The new fields of work in the Conference are: Chesa, Rusambo, Area C, Area D, Mkota, Honde Valley, Inyanga North, Maranke South, and urban areas—Salisbury, Umtali and Bulawayo. There is also the possibility of church extension into Wachikunda. We call the attention of the Conference to the display by Rev. M. Murphree showing these various areas.

a). The Conference Secretary of Evangelism is asked to look into the situation at Wachikunda and make a report in the future.

b). The Board of Evangelism praises the work of Mr. and Mrs. E. Nyamupanda and Evangelist N. Muskwe for their work in Mkota. Their evangelistic outreach is reaching many people in this area.

c). We would like to call attention to the Conference of the new work opening in Area C, Inyanga North and Maranke South. We give thanks to our District Superintendents for their initiative and unfailing efforts in evangelistic outreach in these areas. We would also like to point out that Area D is expected to open in 1964 for settlement and that Rev. Blomquist will make application for church sites in this area.

d). We praise the work in the urban areas of Salisbury and Umtali, and we recommend that our Conference Evangelistic Program for the coming year include work with the congregations in Bulawayo, and the Honde Valley (at the request of these congregations). We note with thanksgiving that the congregation in Bulawayo is being blessed with growth.

e). The Conference Secretary of Evangelism is asked to check with the D.S.'s about the new areas and discuss with them about the need of more evangelists.

14. We would like to see our communion services administered as open services to any who consider themselves to be described in the words of the Invitation. Open Communion would be an evidence that we accept the membership of these people in the mystical body of Christ, and an opportunity for them to show publically their allegiance to it. We therefore recommend that the words "Chenhengo basi" be removed from the ritual of the Lord's Supper and that the words "Vateveri va Jesu Kristu" be inserted in their place. (Referred to Evangelism for further study).

15. Baptism is the prerogative of every believer, not only church members, and is a sign of conversion, not a graduation ceremony from a prescribed course in theology. Our present practice that baptism is accorded only on reception into full membership encourages the impression that conversion is a matter of the completion of a required set of rules, not of personal commitment and spiritual rebirth, and we consider this practice to be scripturally unsound and a hinderance to effective evangelism. We recommend that our church should make it possible for any responsible person who professes faith in Jesus Christ to be baptized, and then go on into a *Vaedzwa* class preparing him for the duties of church membership. (Referred to Evangelism for further study).

16. We should in our services provide time for prayer and testimony sessions, but keep the altar services at the end of evangelistic meetings for their proper purpose—intelligent, personal and purposeful decision. The kind of personal work that achieves this kind of result is a skill of counselling and praying with a person, meeting his doubts and questions with the Word of God in such a way that he makes a definite personal decision to accept Christ and puts his faith in Him. This skill takes training, experience and dedication. We therefore recommend that training in this kind of work be made a matter of first rate importance in our theological training institutions, our Pastor's School and our District Conference.

17. We express our gratitude to many ministers for their time given to the evangelistic program of the church and we appeal to all ministers and other workers to make available some of their time for our Evangelistic program.

18. It can be seen that in the matter of church extension we are serving in the dual role of the evangelistic and missionary areas of the church. For this reason, and for the sound reason that our people should begin to take a part in the financial support of the evangelistic program, we would like to suggest that during the coming year where possible we take a free-will offering during each evangelistic campaign, not so much to take care of the expenses of that campaign so much as to make possible more evangelistic work in the new areas. Our church should cover all of these newly developing areas under its missionary responsibility, not just Chikwizo.

19. We recommend that the Conference Secretary of Evangelism see about the possibility of inviting Dr. Marshal Cavit to be in our conference for three to four months working in the rural areas.

20. We recommend that the Conference Secretary of Evangelism be given permission by the Conference to work through the various sources to arrange for a team of pastors from overseas to spend at least 4 weeks or even 6 to 8 weeks in our conference to be with, work with and guide some of our African pastors, culminating these experiences with an evangelistic meeting with both men preaching.

21. We urge the speedy construction of a house for a Conference Evangelist and ask the Committee on Coordination to make this possible before the end of 1963.

22. We strongly recommend that houses be provided for the Conference Secretary of Evangelism and all Conference Evangelists.

## Finance Committee

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 28, 33, 73)

1. It is recommended that in order that the Conference Financial year be the same as the financial year of the Mission Treasurer and other units of work and in order to permit the annual preparation of a district budget, that the financial year of Conference run from June 1 until May 30 of the following year.

2. It is recommended that in order to put the above into effect that another increment become due on June 1 and at this time in each following year and that district budgets be prepared to meet these needs.

3. It is recommended that at a meeting of the four district superintendents with the Bishop that the wisdom of and the planning for a Board of Home Missions be considered.

4. It is recommended, because it is sometimes difficult to collect offerings within a month, that the money due in a particular month may still be turned in by the 25th of the following month and still received aid from the assistance plan.

5. It is recommended that evangelists and supply pastors paid out of church extension and religious education workers paid by the director of Christian Education have their moving expenses paid through the source of their salaries with the recommendation to C.O.C. for additional funds being provided in budgets for this purpose and that these expenses be incurred only after consultation with those who are expected to pay.

6. It is recommended that a special asking be made of the C.O.C. for PK's at the church site in Rusape since this is a convenient place for committee meetings.

7. Realizing that some circuits are meeting their budgets in full through the past twelve months, it is repeated that the scale for salaries approved in 1961 is a minimum scale. It is recommended that circuits which have met their budget for the previous twelve months' period may give in addition to their regular payments to the district budget higher payments in cash or kind to their pastor, but through the District Treasurer.

8. It is recommended that cabinet consider the appointment of an individual to promote Church Stewardship and Finance. This Committee wishes to emphasize this need within the Conference. Such an appointment failing, the Finance Committee through a sub-committee will seek to deal with this matter as it has time.



9. Concerning the advisability of ministers engaging in other work in addition to their work as a minister and thus introducing a policy of part-time ministry, we recognize this as a possibility. However, we refer this subject to the Board of the Ministry which is giving further study to the recommendations and proposals of Dr. DeWolf who has given considerable study to this matter.

10. It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the District Pooling system continue into the next Conference Year. However, it is hoped that Finance Committee will be advised by the various districts as to the success or failure of this system so that consideration can be made, if it is felt necessary, for any change next year.

This supplementary report was accepted.

11. It is proposed that each district appoint a committee to study the advisability of a circuit system of finance; and report back to the conference committee on finance before the next annual conference. These district study committees should give consideration to the paper submitted by Marshal Murphree.

This supplementary proposal was accepted.

#### Conference Assessments 1963-1964

ASSESSMENTS	for 1962-3	for 1963-4
1. Episcopal Fund (2%)	£ 288	£ 300
2. General Conference	20	20
3. Adm. Fund Annual Conference and Conference Treasurer	135	135
4. Central Conference	125	125
5. Conference Secretary	35	35
6. Moving Ministers	300	300
7. Pension Fund from Church	430	300
8. Payment of C.O.C. Loan	500	500
9. Travel of Conference Ministers, etc.	100	150
10. Travel of Conference Lay Leader	20	20
11. Travel of Fraternal Delegates	50	30
12. Salaries of District Superintendents	774	840
	£2,777	£2,755
		£2,755
Plus for 1962-63:		
13. Conference Journal Debt 1961	90	
Conference Journal 1962-63	180	
Adm. Fund Annual Conference Debt:	75	
	Total	£ 3,122

## EXPLANATION

1. Of the total pastors salary paid out in this Conference, 2% of this total should be sent to help in a very small way to pay the salaries of the Bishops of the Methodist Church.

Pastors' salaries have gone up some because of increments. Thus, the episcopal fund goes up slightly.

2. Every four years there is held the General Conference to which our Conference sends two delegates. This assessment collected over a period of four years helps in a very small way to cover the cost of travel.

3. This is the need for expenses of the Conference Treasurer, and expenses of administering the Annual Conference.

4. Every four years there is held a Central Conference to which our Conference sends eighteen delegates. This assessment collected over a period of four years helps in a small way to cover the cost of travel and other expenses of running the Conference.

5. Our Conference secretary has office expenses during the year.

6. Following every Annual Conference some ministers must move to take up their new appointments. This assessment covers the cost of the moving.

7. When a minister retires, the Conference seeks to help him financially. This is done through the pension fund. This fund is raised during the years as in each year the church must raise £10 for each minister and each minister must give £5 himself to this fund. This item is to cover the contribution of the churches in this Conference.

8. Several years ago the Conference borrowed a sum of money in order to begin a new salary program known as the five-year plan. The loan must be paid back. This assessment is to help pay back the loan. There is only one more year needed to pay back the loan.

9. This assessment is to cover the cost of pastors to the Annual Conference. Last year the money to cover the cost of travel to Conference was not enough. This increase is to cover the increase in cost.

10. Our Conference has a Conference Lay Leader who travels some in order to do his job as a lay leader. This assessment covers his travel.

11. To our Conference comes delegates from other sister churches such as from the Synod, and the Church of Christ. We send delegates to the annual meetings of these churches. This assessment covers this cost of travel.

The cost of travel of delegates has been lowered because it was felt that the travel estimate for last year is more than enough.

12. In our Conference there are two African District Superintendents. It was felt that rather than have the Districts where these two men serve be responsible for their salary that the expense be shared throughout the Conference.

Last year the estimate for salaries of District Superintendents was not sufficient. The estimate for this year including increment is more accurate.

13. The cost of the journal is removed this year because the Rhodesia Mission Press has graciously offered to donate the cost of the journal which is over the amount which the C.O.O. pays, for this year only. There will be extra journals printed which will be offered for sale.

The debts on the Conference Journal and Adm. Fund has now been paid and therefore is not included in the assessments of this year.

### **Historical Society** (Daily Proceedings No. 47)

The work of the committee has continued during the year in the form of collecting material and records. After the last Conference, considerable equipment and material were moved into the room in the old government building (now the office building) at Old Umtali. Due to the inability of the Archivist to give more time to completing what was hoped to be a research library, the material has not been available for use. This is greatly regretted but could not be avoided with the additional work of the Secretary of the Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference being assumed by the Archivist. The committee appreciates the patience of Old Umtali during the year when additional office space has been so greatly needed. However, additional office space is now being constructed and we are grateful for the continued use of the room.

The committee is now in a position to undertake the completing of the project and plans during the coming year to have all in order. Before going on furlough the Archivist hopes to have considerable time free for this work.

The committee recommends:

1. That the present room now occupied by the Historical Archives and research room. Every effort should be made in the near future to complete the exhibits and make material available for research.

2. Each of the Methodist Centres should assist in collecting historical material that may be in their files or store rooms. There is still considerable valuable material that should be in the Archives.

3. The Conference Members, missionaries and all interested should continue to interview the older people and write up the interesting experiences and facts of the early days.

4. Pictorial exhibits should continue to be prepared for display at conferences and assemblies.

5. The historical programme being presented at this Conference should be an item at each annual session.

6. It is suggested that the research library become a part of or a department of either the Ehnes Memorial Church or Hartzell Training School. To this end we hope that consideration will be given to this proposal by the Executive at Old Umtali to become effective when the present Archivist goes on furlough.

7. In order to make the committee more representative and effective, it is recommended that the committee be enlarged by adding members, whose names are as follows:

T. Roberts, M. Taylor, S. Chieza, M. Johnson, E. Jijita, Mrs. W. Kinyon.

The work of the committee is difficult in that it involves considerable time for research, filing and arrangement of materials. Let us not forget the past on which the present is now being built. If we fail those who have given their lives to bring the Church into being as well as to continue the work, we certainly will fail Christ. Our colleagues and predecessors were also called by Him to undertake the work that has created the present.

## **Interdenominational Relations**

(Daily Proceedings No. 56)

### **A. COMMITTEE ON INTERDENOMINATIONAL RELATIONS**

We recommend:

a. That the Interdenominational Relations be discontinued as of this conference.

b. That a committee consisting of 11 members including our four members of the Methodist Council be appointed by the Bishop.

c. That all responsibilities now within the scope of the Committee on Interdenominational Relations, in the future be handled by this same committee.

d. That the committee be especially charged with the task of actively investigating possibilities of union with other churches.

e. That the committee acquaint themselves with the forthcoming General Conference reaction to the report of the Commission on Study of Methodist structure overseas.

f. That the name of this committee be the Inter-Church Relations and Church-Union Committee.

### **B. METHODIST COUNCIL**

1. We recommend that the Methodist Council be recognized to set basic policy for the cooperative development of Methodism in the three urban areas of Bulawayo, Salisbury and Umtali, and to determine the future sites of Methodist churches in these areas.

2. We recognize the establishment of a Methodist Fraternal or other body set by the Council in each of these urban areas for general promotion of the cooperative development of Methodism.

### C. EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION

The work of Christ in Mozambique needs our prayer. We give thanks to God for the progress that is being made there in the face of many problems. Permission for the development of a new church building is being considered by government departments. The official title deed is in hand.

Again this year it was not possible to hold a full-scale church conference, but a meeting of elders was held. One student has been recommended to take the three-year theological course at Kambine.

The official member bodies of the committee are as follows with their number of delegates.

Beira Staff (ex-officio)

United Church of Christ (2)

Methodist Episcopal (2) (from the Methodist Church in Mozambique)

Methodist Conference (2) (Rhodesia)

Swiss Mission (2)

Several churches have been invited to send Associate Members but without having the right to vote. They should support the work of the committee by prayers, gifts, and in any other way they can. The present associate member is the South Africa General Mission. Other churches invited to become Associate Members are the Methodist Synod, the Dutch Reform Church, the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian.

The chairman-elect of the Association is Rev. T. Adolfs-son, Methodist missionary in Mozambique.

### **Board of Lay Activities**

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 20, 23, 72)

1. We recommend that the existing District Pool System established at the 1962 Annual Conference be continued. (Referred to Finance Committee).

2. a) We recommend that there be a Laymen's Institute once a year in each circuit or district.

b) We further recommend that each circuit or district finance its own Laymen's Institute.

3. We reiterate the recommendation on number 5 in our 1962 report: "We urge our ministers, very strongly, to visit their flock regularly in order to promote a spirit of oneness and friendliness and cooperation in their respective communities."

4. We urge the District Superintendents, Pastors and lay delegates to explain to the people the things embodied in the conference assessments.

5. We recommend that the conference make a serious consideration of establishing clinics in remote rural areas.

6. We recommend that School managers should follow in principle the advice of quarterly conferences on disciplinary cases.

7. We strongly recommend that before a minister or an Evangelist is appointed to an area—the people of the area concerned must be contacted well before time to avoid housing inconveniences.

8. We recommend that there be as many lay delegates as there are ministerial members to attend annual conference.

9. Mr. I. Musamba was elected conference lay leader and Mr. S. Tsopotsa, secretary.

10. The Board of Lay Activities recommended that the debt of £3,937-2-0 on African ministers' and Evangelists' salaries from December 1960 to June 1962 be apportioned Districts according to the amount each District owes.

- a) It was recommended that various ways of raising money be tried. The following ways were recommended:
- i) The pledge system.
  - ii) Special Sunday collection.
  - iii) Paying in kind.
  - iv) Tithing.

11. It was recommended that when an African minister dies in active service, his family be paid two months' salary based on what ministers get in those two months in that District.

12. It was recommended that there be a training program in each Church District for school committee treasurers, District church treasurers, etc.

13. A sum of £30-11-6 cash was collected at the meeting and promises for £1.10.0 were made.

## **Medical Activities**

(Daily Proceedings No. 58)

### *1. Development of Mutambara Hospital:*

The committee was shown plans drawn by Mr. Stan Egan of Salisbury for the proposed new addition to Mutambara Hospital. These were discussed by Mr. LeMasters and it was suggested that Mr. LeMasters make a complete survey of the proposed building site in order to ascertain the needs i.e., engineering consultant, architectural consultant, etc.

Since the government cannot at this time assist the mission in the construction of the hospital and because of anticipated need for the future plus present pressing needs, the committee requests expansion of Mutambara hospital by one ward for women and/or children plus a surgical and out-patient unit. In the meantime, the plans presented by Mr. Egan will be thoroughly studied to cover the actual and most pressing needs.

### 2. *Nyadiri Expansion:*

The committee agreed with the proposals of Nyadiri Hospital Planning Committee which suggested some remodeling changes and minor additions to the present hospital plant in order to achieve more storage space, better maternity and pediatric facilities rather than build more major units. The emphasis as suggested by Nyadiri is toward rural clinic work, particularly in the Mtoko area. It is hoped that when the third doctor is assigned to Nyadiri, a doctor will be assigned to the rural clinics on more or less a full-time basis. With this in mind, askings have been made to provide a portable X-Ray unit, generator, suction apparatus, surgical instruments, trailer and supplies to care for growing demands for rural medical care and public health training.

### 3. *Old Umtali:*

Motion was made and passed for the replacement of the present maternity and isolation units. The possible medical expansion as far as rural clinics was recommended also providing necessary funds and personnel were available. The Honde Valley Clinic was discussed but no final decision was reached since it depends mainly upon funds and personnel.

### 4. *Visiting Specialists:*

A motion was made and passed that Dr. Brewster's proposal of a World Wide Clinical Conference of Methodist Medics be accepted with the provision that only those specialists that were particularly needed in Southern Rhodesia would be invited.

### 5. *Fees:*

Motion was made and passed that the subject of fees must remain with the several institutions and dependant upon the economics of the area. This subject was further discussed with the proposals for salaries.

### 6. *Medical Care for Pastors:*

Motion was made and passed that Methodist pastors (ordained), evangelists, religious education workers and their immediate family, should receive free outpatient care and routine hospital care. Immediate family is defined as wife and children under twelve years of age. Free care is to be given except in cases of surgery.

#### 7. *Government Employees Fees:*

It was recommended that the Christian Medical Council establish a policy and submit it to the government for the payment of medical fees by government employees.

#### 8. *Treatment of European Farmers and Missionaries:*

Motion was made and passed that mission doctors treat European farmers and missionaries when requested providing that no care is required, ie, constant nursing by missionary nurse in private home, travel to patients home, etc.

#### 9. *Doctors Furloughs:*

The committee noted and requested study about the fact that the present missionary doctors will all be scheduled for furlough within a twelve month period beginning in September 1965 through October 1966. This would mean simply that under present schedules, all would be absent from the field during the same period.

#### 10. *Missionary Furloughs and Return:*

Because of the concern of the Committee for the emotional as well as the physical well-being of all church workers within the conference, it was passed that as Christians, our responsibility to all co-workers was definitive. People should be warned of their faults and failures so that they would not have to face a traumatic experience of being suddenly voted off the mission. Such action when deemed necessary should be accompanied or preceded by thorough investigation, guidance and counsel.

#### 11. *Salaries:*

Committee noted a probable government increase in the salaries of Medical Assistants and Nursing orderlies. Motion was made and passed that in so far as possible, the mission would pay similar salaries. Since no provision in annual budgets is made for such increases, the committee voted that a general increase in fees would be necessary if the salary increases were to be met. The increased fees would be set by the individual institution as prescribed under the fee paragraph.

#### 12. *Baby Fold and Children's Home:*

The request by Nyadiri for a new Baby Fold was noted as being a new quadrennial asking. It was also noted that there is a definite need at present for children's home as well, to care for children beyond the present three years. This subject was recommended for further study and discussion.



## Memorials

### 1. TO GENERAL CONFERENCE

A. Substitute for present *Paragraph 1202* in the big Discipline, providing for present Committee on Coordination:

“In a mission field of the General Board of Missions, each Annual Conference shall elect a Board of Administration (Administrative Board), composed of the presiding Bishop as Chairman, his District Superintendents (as voting members) and other voting members as determined and elected by the Annual Conference to represent the administrative interests of the Conference and of the Board of Missions.

This Board shall have the responsibility for planning and coordinating the total program of the Conference, together with any use of overseas funds for financing the same, including all work of the Division of World Missions and the Women’s Division of Christian Service.

The Board shall elect a vice-chairman and a secretary, and any other needed officers. The vice-chairman shall preside in the absence of the chairman. The secretary shall report to the divisions of the Board of Missions and to the Annual Conference, annually.

It shall be the function of the Board of Administration to serve as liaison between the General Board of Missions and its agencies, and the Annual Conference, and to implement Annual Conference decisions.

The Board shall prepare estimates of funds needed from the General Board of Missions for aid in the work, aid to institutions and projects, except for the direct financial responsibility for missionary support, which is the direct responsibility of the General Board of Missions.

It shall make requests for personnel to the Board, and shall review the effectiveness of missionary personnel at work, annually reporting reaction, if any, which might be helpful to the General Board of Missions in dealing with missionary personnel.

B. Amend Part I, Division Five (paragraph 45), Amendment X of the *DOCTRINES AND DISCIPLINE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH 1960* (which in turn is an amendment of Division Two, Section VII, Article I (paragraph 21) thereof, by inserting . . . after the second sentence / a sentence as below, so that the paragraph/ as amended, will read: Article I.—The Annual Conference shall be composed of all the traveling preachers in full connection with it, together with a lay member elected by each pastoral charge. Each pastoral charge served by more than one minister in full connection shall be entitled to two lay members. For each minister in full connection without a pastoral charge residing within a district, that same district shall be entitled to elect a lay member as a delegate-at-large. The lay members shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age and shall have been for the four years next preceding their election members of one of the constituent churches forming this union, or of The Methodist Church.

## 2. TO CENTRAL CONFERENCE

### AFRICA DISCIPLINE — Part III "The Conferences" Paragraph 374.

In each Annual Conference there shall be elected a Committee on Christian Social Concerns whose duty it shall be to assist the conference in fulfilling its responsibilities in the area of Christian Social Concerns. This committee shall develop and promote programs and study and action projects in such areas of social concern as: race relations, civil liberties, church and state relations, civic responsibility, nationalism, labor-management relations, technological change, unemployment, housing, the United Nations Organization, and other international organizations, foreign policy, disarmament, nuclear weapons control, tariffs, family disorganization and alcoholism.

B. In Part II, "The Local Church," insert between present paragraphs 147 and 148:

COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERN. This Committee shall cooperate with the Conference Coommittee on Christian Social Concerns in developing and promoting programs and study and action projects in such areas of social concern as race relations, civil liberties, church and state relations, civic responsibility, nationalism, labor-management relations, technological change, unemployment, housing, the United Nations Organization and other international organizations, foreign policy, disarmament, nuclear weapons control and tariffs.

C. Add to Duties of Quarterly Conference in the local Church: Part II, 143,10.

a) In each Quarterly Conference having missionary personnel as members, there shall be an annual review of missionary effectiveness in the manner in which the Pastoral Relations Committee deals with the pastors. If there are defects in the work or in the personal conduct of a missionary, the Quarterly Conference will convey these reactions to the person in the spirit of Christian love. The Quarterly Conference, if it desires, may forward these reactions to the Committee on Coordination (or its successor).

b) In each Quarterly Conference there be an annual review of the effectiveness of key non-missionary staff workers employed by the Methodist Church in that Quarterly Conference in the manner in which Pastoral Relations Committee deals with pastors. If there are defects in the work or in the personal conduct of such a staff worker, the Quarterly Conference will convey these reactions to the person in the spirit of Christian love.

## **Methodist Youth Fellowship**

(Daily Proceedings No. 53)

1. We recommend to pastors and lay preachers that Sunday services be short enough to provide time for MYF activities.

2. We recommend that the paragraph on the district organizing secretary be taken out of the MYF Constitution and that there no longer be district organizing secretaries. We encourage each circuit to have a strong MYF program.

3. We recommend that half the money collected for annual dues be paid to the Christian Education Director to pay for programmes.

4. We recomend that one-third of the money collected on an MYF Sunday be sent to the MYF Conference treasurer.

5. We request that the Christian Education Committee draw up a new installation service and print a book which would include the service and the amended constitution.

6. We recommend that the MYF be organized in every district with a district cabinet (president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer): the president to serve as district organizing secretary; the district officers to plan district MYF conferences for training local MYF leaders, to plan the district MYF programme, to also organize leadership teams to visit local MYF groups for sharing Christian experiences and help strengthen the local groups.

7. The place for the 1964 MYF Annual Conference to be Old Umtali Methodist Centre.

8. We wish to encourage voluntary MYF groups as MYF is basically a voluntary organization. We feel this is necessary in order to have effective work accomplished within this group.

9. We wish to thank all people who have helped in the training of our commissions and we ask you all to continue help in training and invite you to our conference every year in January.

10. We still have many circuits that have their dues unpaid. May we ask our district superintendents, ministers and laymen to encourage their groups to join their hands firmly so that it will enable us to determine our future more specifically.

**Board of the Ministry**  
(Daily Proceedings Nos. 21, 35)

In Paul's letter to the Colossians he speaks of a well-loved brother, a faithful minister and a fellow-servant of the Lord. Those of us who have been called to be a minister of the Gospel can appreciate one who was remembered for his faithfulness. A serious responsibility therefore is placed in the hands of the Board of the Ministry in guiding new candidates and counselling those already in the Lord's vineyard. An accounting of this stewardship is herewith presented in the form of activities and recommendations.

1. Three times during the year the full Board has met to give attention to the matters at hand with the Executive meeting once. Special projects have been continued, such as assistance for the education of ministers' children and correspondence for ministers.

2. It was agreed that a vice-chairman should be elected to succeed Dr. Culver as chairman when he leaves in May. Rev. Blomquist was elected.

3. A committee was appointed to study the section of the DISCIPLINE regarding The Ministry Part III consisting of M. Chiza, chairman, J. Chidzikwe, L. Blomquist, and M. Murphree.

4. It was agreed that the chairman of the board be our representative at the meeting of the Theological Committee of the Churches of Central Africa in March. Rev. M. Chiza will be the representative at the next meeting with the board chairman as first alternate.

5. We recommend that the Joint Theological Council give the two schools (Epworth and OUBI) authority as far as possible to handle academic and disciplinary questions, but questions of character and pastoral qualifications be referred to the Board.

6. Rev. L. Blomquist is to serve as Dean of the Pastors' School in 1963. The school is expected to be held at Epworth in October, using several visiting speakers. We wish to discuss the possibility of a joint school with the Synod.

7. We recommend that the Scholarship Committee be responsible for the direction and progress report of ministers doing correspondence work along with others. We further recommend to the Committee that a candidate for Epworth who is tentatively approved pending completion of his J.C. by correspondence be granted a subsidy of ten pounds by the Scholarship Committee.

8. We ask the Conference Treasurer to determine the amount of back salary for each minister and evangelist.

9. We recommend that the Joint Theological Council have its own salary scale.

10. We recommend that the salary of Biblical Institute graduates who are given an appointment, begin at £10 to £20 with ten shillings increment each year.

11. The Board interprets the salary scale of ministers as a minimum scale, and after all obligations are met, circuits have the privilege of making what additions they consider right to make. (Referred to Finance Committee)

12. We note that the retirement of Rev. J. Rugayo took affect at the end of 1962. We recommend the retirement of Rev. Josiah Chimbadzwa at this session of Annual Conference and commend both of these ministers for their long years of faithful service to the Church. Their names are recommended to the Board of Pensions.

13. We request Mr. B. Smalley as Land Administrator to make a report on plans for places for retired workers as soon as possible.

14. The Board expresses deep and sincere appreciation to Dr. L. Harold DeWolf for his outstanding and devoted service to the Rhodesia Annual Conference during this year. Once before Dr. DeWolf chose to accept the invitation of the church to spend a sabbatical year here which resulted in closer cooperation between the Conference and Synod, mainly in the opening of Epworth Theological College. His return in 1962 at the request of the World Council of Churches to teach at the college, to survey the ministerial needs of the area in regard to recruitment and training, his work on the Central Africa Diploma Course in Theology—all have earned for him our genuine respect and gratitude.

15. It was agreed that when a minister retires or takes a leave of absence, he turns over the church garden to the succeeding pastor at the date of the appointment as set by the Cabinet.

16. Rev. Silas Kasambira is due to return in January, 1964, to take an appointment.

17. A number of persons have applied for assistance from the Approved Supply Pastors' Relief Fund, but only a small amount is left. We therefore have asked Revs. Choto and Chiza to compile a list of those who might qualify, indicating the years of service, and submit their names for consideration. This is not intended as a pension.

18. When a man comes in on trial and is given a charge, he is to be registered as a Marriage Officer by the Conference Secretary.

19. We recommend that the Bishop and the Annual Conference authorize the following with the right to administer the sacraments if and when serving as full pastor of a charge: R. Matongo, J. Gurure, J. Makande, K. Mhandu, and S. Murahwa.

20. We request that our Conference African tutor at the Biblical Institute be allowed to attend the Theological Tutors Institute at Salisbury in August.

21. We recommend that correspondence of candidates for Epworth be handled by Rev. K. Eriksson. We also ask him to prepare a booklet, on the Recruitment and Training of Methodist Ministers, including sections on studies for Local Preachers, supply pastors, B.I. and Epworth candidates, Conference Courses of Study, etc.

22. We recommend that correspondence of candidates for the B.I. be handled by the next conference appointment to the school.

23. We strongly urge that support be found to enable Rev. John Munjoma to receive his ministerial scholarship.

24. A number of items were referred to the Board by the pastors at the Refresher Course. We are pleased to report that increases have been realized in regard to transport of ministers through Coordinating Committee action; plans are projected for parsonage development in the new quadrennium on an accelerated basis; the Board of Lay Activities is working on plans for promotion of a fund to be applied against back salaries; the matter of ministers serving part-time school responsibilities was not approved by the Administrative Board nor considered favorably by this Board.

25. From the beginning of this year one of the staff of the Biblical Institute was set aside to give full-time to extension work across the Conference area. This assignment came to Rev. Leiknes who has served as the Conference Director of Local Preachers' Studies. Fourteen schools have been held with a total enrollment of 350. Rev. Leiknes reports enthusiastic response to this programme with demand for repeat engagements for longer periods. The Board therefore recommends the following steps as a continuation of this work:

#### A. Training and Licencing of Local Preachers

(1) All NEW candidates for the Local Preachers licence must:

- a. be recommended by their Quarterly Conference.
- b. take the Introductory Course of Study for Local Preachers (Culver's book).
- c. be examined on the course by the District Conf'ce.
- d. given final approval by the District Conference

(2) ALL PRESENT Local Preachers must have their licence renewed by:

- a. taking the Introductory Course of Study (and subsequent studies).
- b. be examined by the pastor
- c. be recommended by their Quarterly Conference
- d. receive final approval for renewal at the District Conference

#### B. Renewal of Licence

We reiterate the fact that a Local Preachers' Licence is issued for one year only, and must be renewed or else it becomes invalid.

### C. Central Conference Course of Study for Local Preachers

We recommend the above named course be followed.

### D. Committee on Local Preachers' Studies

The following were named to recommend a program of studies to be followed based upon Dr. Culver's book as the first year's Introductory Course and then the Central Conference Course for subsequent years:

Conference Director of Local Preachers' Studies, T. Curtis (convener), J. Chidzikwe, and M. Chiza.

E. We request Cabinet to appoint a Conference Director of Local Preacher Studies.

26. The following are the recommendations concerning Courses of Study:

A. Rev. M. Chiza and M. Murphree are to direct the Central Conference Courses of Study for those approved by the Board.

B. Joseph Makuto is recommended to take the Central Conference Course of Study for the Ministry (8 years).

C. D. Chipaumire and N. Muswe are recommended to take the Approved Supply Pastors' Course of Study of the Central Conference, to be directed by M. Chiza and M. Murphree.

27. We recommend that Revs. Culver and Chiza begin the direction of studies for ministers on trial as of this year with one book to be covered per year. Cost of these books will come from the Ministers' Library Fund. Dr. Culver is also asked to give books to the ministers at Conference this year, and to renew subscriptions to *OUR AFRICA* for all ministers.

28. Report from the Old Umtali Biblical Institute indicates that work is progressing satisfactorily. There are sixteen students, with ten in the second year. Conference has three in both classes. One staff member is giving full time to extension work each term. All students have assignments in practical field work on the weekends and during holidays. Visits to places of special interest are also planned.

29. Dr. Culver reports from Epworth Theological College that the new 'A' stream has begun with three students including one from Conference. He added that the presence of Dr. DeWolf on the campus has been a real asset to the students and staff alike, not only in his teaching in the last term of 1962, but in his effective counselling and ready assistance to any in need. The Board recommends that the Committee on Coordination give consideration for assistance in correspondence courses for student pastors' wives from any women's training funds available. We also recommend that the Joint Theological Council consider making specified scholarship grants to candidates in training rather than continuing with the present arrangement of allowances for rations and general expenses.

30. In conclusion, the Board is glad to report that four Conference ministers, Revs. E. Chimbanda, S. Muzulu, A. Katsande, and N. Madzinga, are attending a special course of study at Drew University in addition to a field assignment in the United States.

31. We recommend that the names of J. Makande and K. Mhandu be approved to take the course for reception on trial. This means that if and when their studies are satisfactorily completed, these men can then ask to be received on trial into membership of the Conference. Their election will require a vote majority of three-fourths of the Conference membership.

32. After lengthy discussion with John Nemaungwe, we recommend that he be granted a one year leave of absence for study with the understanding that he is responsible for both shares of the pension if he wishes to pay it, his moving expenses and housing arrangements during the year of leave. It was moved and passed by the Conference that the Committee on Coordination give consideration to assisting him.

33. We recommend that the Committee on Coordination consider the establishment of an Aeschliman Memorial Ministerial Scholarship Fund.

34. We recommend that the Committee on Coordination give consideration if requests come for assistance for a Director of the Correspondence Course of the Central Africa Diploma in Theology.

35. The Board reports that serious consideration is being given to all phases of the ministry in Southern Rhodesia. Dr. Harold DeWolf has presented to the Board a paper on the Critical Survey of the Ministry which proposes radical changes in the pattern of the ministry. Others have also presented papers which are being studied. Out of the study, the Board hopes to bring in future recommendations concerning the voluntary clergy, part-time ministry, use of the theological schools, and a more relevant ministry in this country. The Board welcomes suggestions made concerning the future pattern of the Methodist Ministry in Southern Rhodesia.

### **Missions (Ngariende)** (Daily Proceedings No. 18)

The work of the Lord has been going on well in Chikwizo this last year. We are happy to tell you that we have two new schools which were approved this last conference year.

Our people are growing more and more in spirit and are playing an important part in the work of the Church.

There is a great demand for education in Chikwizo these days. It is different from the first years when parents were threatened by the evil spirits if they sent their children to school. Now there is a great desire. We are sorry to report that Rev. Makuto is not well. He is in the Nyadiri Mission Hospital under treatment.



With the advice of our District Superintendent and the approval of the Quarterly Conference we are planning to work on a parsonage, a church building, and a teacher's house this year. We need your prayers and support.

We want to express our deep appreciation to the R.R.W. for the grand work they are doing. We need a nurse very much. It is one way of drawing our people from witchcraft. Thanks to you, mothers, thanks to you!! May the Lord help you to continue in your good work. We are looking forward to another year with God's blessings on the work. Cease not to pray for us.

### **Pensions and Conference Claimants**

(Daily Proceedings No. 41)

1. We regret that there has been a misunderstanding of the nature of the funds available for retired Approved Supply Pastors. These funds are "Non-recurring relief funds" and not "pension funds". If the recommendations of the 1962 Annual Conference are followed, the present funds will be inadequate to pay the suggested claims in full beyond 1964.

2. It is recommended that the ministers' contribution to the pension fund be deducted by the District Treasurer and sent to the Conference Treasurer. It is further recommended that the deductions for the year 1963-64 and each succeeding year be made in October, and that all "overdue" contributions be withheld from salaries of June, 1963.

3. It is recommended that Mrs David Mandisodza receive the annual widow's pension.

4. The Committee desires to resubmit the name of Mrs Marita Mutambanengwe to the Conference. Inasmuch as the late Rev. M. Mutambanengwe did not contribute to the ministers' pension fund and did not receive a pension, it is recommended that no payment be made to his widow.

5. We recommend that the Rev. Davidson Muchapaidza pay his own and the church' contribution for the years 1960-61, 1961-62, and 1962-63 to the Pension Fund so that his contributions can be brought up to date.

6. We recommend that the Conference Nominations Committee combine the Conference Claimants Committee and the Board of Pensions in the 1963 Conference Journal.

7. We recommend that all Lay Evangelists and Approved Supply Pastors take advantage of the lay worker retirement fund since there is no other provision for pensions for these persons.

8. We recommend that the districts initiate the request after thorough investigation for the need of relief to those who have served as approved supply pastors, and present it to the Board of Pensions and Conference Claimants for relief consideration.

PENSION FUND-THE METHODIST CHURCH  
April, 1962 -- April 22, 1963

RECEIPTS:

1. Balance last year	376-17-0
2. Interest on Investments	554- 6-0
3. Pension payments from ministers	35- 0-0
4. From Methodist Publishing House (U. S. A.)	116- 4-0
	<u>£1082- 7-0</u>

EXPENDITURES:

1. Postoffice Savings Certificate	160- 0-0
2. Standard Bank Fixed Deposits	336- 6-0
3. Pensions to retired ministers and widows of ministers	
Samuel Chieza	31- 0-0
Philip Chieza	10-15-0
Benjamin Katsidzira	10-15-0
David Mandisodza	10-15-0
Zachariah Mukombiwa	8-15-0
Reginald Ngonyama	10-15-0
Enoch Munjoma	11-10-0
Titus Maranke	17- 0-0
Mrs. Lydia Darikwa	8- 1-3
Mrs. Harubvi Kapenzi	6- 0-0
Mrs. Mary Marange	7-10-0
	<u>£132-16-3</u>

4. Relief to Accepted Retired Supply Pastors

Daniel Chitenderu	9- 0-0
Silas Chitiyo	9 0-0
Joshua Chirikuwutsi	9- 0-0
Jona Dangirwa	9- 0 0
Moses Hunidzarira	9- 0-0
James Kaitano	9- 0-0
Thomas Kamusono	9- 0-0
Samuel Matongo	9- 0 0
Philemon Mazaiwana	9. 0-0
Joshua Mutsago	9- 0-0
Elisha Mvududu	9- 0-0
Gilbert Rakabopa	4-10-0
Jotham Risinamhodzi	9- 0-0
Isaiah Tsopotsa	9- 0-0
	<u>£121-10-0</u>
	<u>£750-12-3</u>

Total Receipts		1182- 7-0
Total Expenditures		750-12-3
Balance carried forward		<u>£331-14-9</u>
<b>TRIAL BALANCE:</b>	<b>Debits</b>	<b>Credits</b>
1. Accepted Supply Pastors' Relief Fund		396-15-0
2. Board of Pensions (U.S.A.)	600-0-0	
3. Cash	331-14-9	
4. Government Stocks	7630-0 0	
5. Ministers' Pension Fund		11085-5-9
6. Postoffice Savings Certificate	2085-0-0	
7. Standard Bank Fixed Deposits	862-6-0	
	<u>£11482-0-9</u>	<u>£11482-0-9</u>

### **The Board of Publications**

(Daily Proceedings No. 38)

#### **A Year of New Books**

Since last Conference many new books have been put on the shelves. The following list of books and booklets have been published since last May.

1. DESTINATION LIFE, by M. Ball
2. MUCHENGETI WEMAKRISTU, by E. Makunike
3. NYAYA DZE VAPWERE, BUKU I, by Jo Carr
4. RUTUNGAMIRO KUMUPARIDZI, by M. Chiza
5. TIKOMBE LEARNS, by M. Ball
6. Scripture Calendar for 1963, by I. Scovill
8. BUKU REKUDZIDZA REMALOCAL PREACHERS, by M. Culver
8. NGARIENDE, Nyaya Yekwa Chikwizo, by M. Ball.

#### **Conference Director of Publications**

We recommend strongly that a fulltime director of publications be appointed as soon as possible. Until a director is appointed, the Planning Editor is to be in charge of all literature production and distribution.

#### **Executive Committee Revised**

There have been two meetings of the full board this year, and one meeting of the Executive Committee. The following is submitted as the revised Executive committee:

1. Chairman
2. Secretary
3. Press Manager
4. Planning Editor
5. Conference Director
6. Distribution Agent
7. Member-at-Large (I. Scovill)

#### **Recommendations to Nominating Committee**

1. We recommend that the name of M. Johnson be submitted to become a member of the Board of Publications.

2. We recommend the following as our representatives to the S.R.C.C. Literature Committee:

- a. Conference Director of Publications
- b. Planning Editor
- c. Alternate (B. Ruwodo)

#### **Umbowo**

1. We reaffirm our previous actions that UMBOWO is the official publication of the Rhodesia Annual Conference.

2. It is recommended that the UMBOWO editor be appointed by the Executive of the board, subject to approval by Annual Conference.

3. The following were appointed the Editorial Board of UMBOWO.

- a. Planning Editor
- b. Conference Director of Evangelism
- c. Conference Director of Christian Education
- d. UMBOWO Editor
- e. Representative from Administrative Office
- f. Member-at-Large (Morgan Johnson)

#### **Conference Journal**

There has been discussion in the board meetings concerning ways this board might assist in getting out the Conference Journal at an earlier date. We acknowledge our responsibility in this matter and recommend Mrs. Stine to give assistance to the secretaries of the conference in editing and preparing the manuscript for printing.

We also recommend that when the Conference Journal is ready for printing, it receive top priority at the press except for other manuscripts already in the process of being printed when the journal copy is received.

#### **Responsibility for Literature**

1. We recommend that all literature published in the name of the Rhodesia Annual Conference be submitted, approved, published and distributed by the Board of Publications, using the established channels set up by this Board of the conference.

2. It is further recommended that any departmental publication printed or duplicated, shall be the sole responsibility of that department, unless it shall have been approved by the Board of Publication.

3. The Board of Publications is responsible to submit one copy of all publications to the National Archives of Rhodesia and Nyasaland within one month of publication. This board will not hold responsibility for any departmental publications in this respect.

#### **Future Plans**

Literature will be one of the major emphases of the next quadrennium. The Board of Missions has called on us to study the needs and possibilities in this field and plan for a steadily growing program to meet the needs here in Rhodesia.

We have been delighted to learn of this new emphasis and our recommendations are presented here for your approval.

The basis for this plan was approved by the full board, organized in more detail by the Executive Committee, and has now been approved by the Executive of the Committee on Coordination.

#### THE QUADRENNIAL PROGRAM OF LITERATURE

We recommend that the Literature Department be organized into three divisions, with the Conference Director of Publications in charge.

The *Editorial Division* is headed by the Planning Editor and is responsible to plan and prepare manuscripts. It is hoped that the Planning Editor will be a qualified African journalist just as soon as one is available.

The *Production Division* comprises the Rhodesia Mission Press and is headed by the Press Manager. At present the Press Manager is a missionary, and in the new program he would like also to be teaching apprentices in the printing trade.

The *Distribution Division* does not have personnel at present, though it is urgently recommended that a Distributor be appointed immediately. There are some definite and exciting plans for the expansion of this vital aspect of the program. It is here that we see our greatest lack, and it is in this area that the greatest change from the old pattern will be found. We know Distribution will be as much or as little as we make of it, and it will be the keystone of our entire effort.

As we plan for the future, we see great need for the church to reach out to town and country with good books of many kinds. Rather than making it hard for people to find wholesome literature, we must make it easy.

Let us not wait for people to come to the mission looking for books, but instead go out to meet them with an exciting collection of books they will want to buy. Our work only begins when the books are printed and on the shelves.

#### *Where Do We Start?*

As the first step toward implementing these plans, we will withdraw stocks of literature from the various departments that now handle them, and lodge them in a central distribution unit, which will incorporate a bookshop as well. This bookshop is tentatively planned for the town of Umtali, in a rented building in the active business area. Our hope is for a building of our own, but presently we will rent premises. From this centre a program of book sales will be developed, with as many salesmen as possible handling Christian literature in market places, trading areas, at conferences and teachers meetings, in railway stations, police camps, hospitals and bus stops—all the places where people gather.

The Executive Committee has been authorized by the Board of Publications to make plans for this central distribution system and to set the program into operation.

Interest is growing in the selling of books on commission. We see this as an opportunity for ministers and others to earn extra money in a very wholesome way, and as an encouragement we are planning a subsidy program to provide larger discounts to book salesmen.

It is a big job we see ahead, but not too big for people who know the challenge of the day here in Africa. If we work in faith sincerely and cooperatively, God will lead us and show us the road to follow.

#### **In Closing**

Finally I would like to share with you a few words from Methodists on the other side of the world. These words remind us of the common problems that Christians face everywhere.

#### **FROM THE LATIN AMERICAN CONSULTATION**

“We are especially concerned about the slow distribution that has characterized our literature program thus far. We believe that this is the moment for a serious and extensive program of distribution so that every book shop can be a focus of evangelism and every book salesman and evangelist of the Word.

“The Spirit does not call us to walk alone in carrying out His will, but shows us the presence of other Christians who have a similar responsibility. They have the same calling which is ours, to be one so that the world may believe. Whatever we can do with them better than we can do alone, we ought to do with them. The initiative is with us, if we wish it.”

#### **Resolutions**

We are grateful for the leadership and presence of Bishop and Mrs. Dodge during the twenty-fifth session of the Rhodesia Annual Conference. We are also grateful for the spirit of working together on the part of those present at the conference. We have been strengthened by the devotionals led by Rev. J. Chidzikwe and our Bishop. We thank Mutambara Church for their arrangements as hosts of the conference. We appreciate the presence of Chief Mutambara and the representatives of Chief Maranke and Chief Zimunya. We also appreciate the presence of our fraternal delegates from the Synod, the African Independent Church and Mt. Silinda. We are thankful for the work of the programme committee. We will remember especially the presentation by Rev. E. L. Sells of the Maranke and Mutambara Church histories.

We do remember with deep appreciation the many years of effective service of our retiring ministers: Rev. J. Chimbadzwa, Rev. R. C. Gates, Rev. J. Rugayo, and Rev. S. Aldrich.

## **Rukwadzano rwe Vadzimai**

(Daily Proceedings No. 15)

### *A. NORTHERN SECTION*

We thank God for His great work in His field. The Women's work is progressing well.

We held our annual Rukwadzano meeting at Chief Nyajina's reserve where God poured His Spirit upon the people, and invited them, men and women and boys and girls to come and hear His Word.

The Word of the Lord helped many people through the group meetings organized by Rev. Culver, where many were saved unto the Lord. The meeting was greatly honoured by the presence of the wife of our Bishop, Mrs. Dodge, who brought us the greetings from Mrs. Griffin. Chief Nyajina was also present and spoke to the Rukwadzano women. We did appreciate the religious films which were shown by Rev. E. Jijita at this camp. Many people were put closer to Christ. We wished his work could be extended to our whole conference. Rev. M. Murphree preached the Word of God to us.

Rules of the Rukwadzano were read to the women to help them to lead a good and clean life with God. At this meeting we had an occasion of helping Mr. Kasirikwindi who, with his wife, are blind. The Spirit of God was sent down to influence people to give. The whole congregation was moved, and the following things were given: 331 items of clothing, 110 utensils, 6 blankets, £12-0-0 cash, sugar, soap, shoes and hats. All the giving was done in the right spirit of giving, and of love.

There were medical supplies brought by Mrs Deal to help mothers and children. Representatives of the Literature Department were present with books to sell to people at the meeting.

The District Superintendent administered the Holy Communion to about 2000 people.

The work of Rukwadzano in our stations is mainly in revival meetings, visitation, bringing others to Christ, and taking part in the work of our local churches. The Rukwadzano Rwe Wadzimai is growing continually, and God is our Helper.

### *B. SOUTHERN SECTION*

The work of God through the Rukwadzano has been carried on well this year.

Our annual meeting this year was held at Nyakatsapa. We were inspired to see so many of our missionaries present. Many of our people were blessed and many were brought back to God.

We had a special time of consideration for our widows who were helped with gifts of love. A special period of prayer for Rev. Chitombo was held for his work in America. This was a time which lifted our hearts very much.

In our local meetings throughout the districts we have been having intensive training in "Christian giving". We hope this emphasis will spread to all the meetings throughout the conference.

### *C. JOINT REPORT*

The Rukwadzano Leaders' Training Institute was held January 14-18, 1963. The co-deans were Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Samudzimu. It was decided that one dean would remain and a new dean would come in each year, each dean thus serving two years. The co-deans elected for next year are Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Chitombo.

If there are official matters to be presented to the Rukwadzano during the year, they may be referred to the Rukwadzano Officers' Committee which is composed of all the conference officers and the two missionary advisors.

We appreciate the opportunities being given to our women to travel, study and speak for Christ in other lands.

We are grateful for the training being done in the conference on the Christian home and family. There can be no church without Christian families, and there can be no Christian homes without the church.

### **Schools Committee**

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 48, 50)

1. *COMMUNITY SCHOOLS*: We recommend that we inform the Ministry of African Education (M.A.E.) that self-help community schools in rural areas are set up on a faulty basis. We urge the M.A.E. to allow these special Community Upper Primary students to sit the same examination as students in the aided day schools, as it is unfair for parents of these children to spend more money and not get the same standard of education.

2. *UNAIDED SCHOOLS*: We re-affirm our statement (Journal, 1961, p. 52, item 11) concerning not opening any more unaided schools, and urge the M.A.E. to make universal compulsory education through Std. 3, as soon as possible.

3. *ALLOWANCES*: We urge our Advisory Board member to request the M.A.E. to equalize allowances and Responsibility Allowances of all Principals and Head Teachers, and that all Head Teachers be given a Responsibility Allowance.

4. *SCHOOL MANAGERS IN THE TEACHING SERVICE*: We request the M.A.E. to put a place in the Teaching Service for School Managers.



5. *GRADING*: If "grading" of Std. 6 completers continues, we urge the M.A.E. to open more schools where low grade 2 and grade 3 passers may get training to help them.

6. *TEACHING SERVICE*: We request the M.A.E. to consider a scheme whereby all teachers teaching under the M.A.E. be under the same Teaching Service with the same privileges and obligations.

7. *UNQUALIFIED TEACHERS*: We request the M.A.E. to consider placing unqualified teachers on probation after their third continuous year of teaching, with the possibility of regrading after the completion of their fifth year of continuous service.

8. *SECONDARY SCHOOLS*: (a) We recommend to Conference that a Secondary School be opened at Mutambara as soon as the M.A.E. gives permission to do so, provided Nyamuzuwe is in operation and all existing post-6 schools are staffed.

(b) We recommend that if Mrewa is not prepared to open a stream of Form III, that Old Umtali open a second Form III class as soon as possible, as there is a great need for educational opportunity beyond the J.C. level.

(c) We recommend to Conference that location and priority listings for Rural Secondary Schools be handled by the two Regional Education Planning Committees in consultation with the School Managers and District Superintendents.

9. *SIZE OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS*: We recommend that a School Manager's maximum load be 24 schools, if possible.

10. *STD. 3 REPEATERS*: We urge the M.A.E. to review its ruling regarding Std. 3 repeaters (Bulletin 92, item 8, February, 1963) as we strongly feel that children who are unable to get places in Std. 4 should be allowed to repeat Std. 3, if there is room in the school.

11. *ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN POLITICS*: We ask the M.A.E. to give a more liberal interpretation regarding "active" participation in politics, as we feel teachers are unduly limited in expressing openly their own individual opinions under the present interpretation.

12. *ENROLMENT OF STUDENTS*: 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 Methodist students who come from outside.

13. *AUDIT*: We recommend that books (building and school fees) of the local school committees be audited as of December 31st of each year, so that a report can be made to the Annual Conference. This matter is referred to the Cabinet for appointment of the auditor (See 1962 Journal, page 82).

14. *FEES IN BOARDING SCHOOLS*: In view of the great cost of providing adequate boarding for our schools, we recommend that beginning in 1964, a three-step program of increased fees be initiated so that in 1966 the fee charged by all boarding departments is an amount sufficient to bear the *full* cost of boarding of all students, including electricity, water, sanitation, food, furniture upkeep, etc.

15. *POST-SIX STAFFING*: We propose that the Schools Committee and/or the Cabinet meet in September and face realistically the availability of staffing for the ensuing year. We recommend that Cabinet consider outside personnel for staffing only if residence permits and approved application forms are in hand by December 31st prior to the opening of the school year. Special consideration needs to be given to procuring a teacher of French for higher Secondary Schools.

16. *BOARD OF EDUCATION*: 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 Schools 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 the Annual Conference. (Referred to Nominations Committee).

17. *DOMESTIC SCIENCE AND HOMECRAFT SCHOOLS*:  
(a) We recommend that there be established a Homecraft course on a post Std. 3 level at the Mtoko Centre site. This should be on a short term basis with possible plan for development into a full-scale school, and we recommend that this matter be referred to the Rukwadzano for consideration of financial backing and support.

(b) We recommend continuation of the very fine homecraft school at Sunnyside on a post Std. 6 level, and urge it be publicised by every means so that enrolment is boosted.

(c) We do not recommend establishment of a Domestic Science or homecraft course at Mrewa, nor do we recommend that there be any additional school at Nyadiri of any kind.

18. *CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT SCHOOL*: We stress again the importance of having two trained specialists in Christian education, one to serve in each of the two regions as a further link between the church and schools. These persons would deal entirely with Christian education and school children and young people. (Referred to Committee on Christian Education).

19. *COUNSELORS TO STUDENTS*: In our centres students get into many difficulties without proper supervision. Many boarding masters and mistresses live away from the students and are nearby only at meal times, etc. Therefore we ask again that a full-time person be appointed to each centre as a counselor to students. These persons are not to be confused with boarding masters.

20. *FEES IN DISTRICT SCHOOLS*: All school fees should be paid within the first three weeks of school so that an early division of funds can be made. All fees come to the Manager before being turned over to the School Committee treasurer. Careful records must be kept by local school building and school fee treasurers and unless annual audit indicates this is being done, the Manager reserves the right to withhold the 3/4 share from the school. The amount of building fee collected from students outside a local school must have the approval of the School Manager.

21. *INTERFERENCE WITH HEAD-TEACHERS*: School Committees and parents must not interfere with normal duties of head teachers as outlined by the M.A.E. and the School Committee of the Conference. Where this occurs we recommend that the District Superintendent notify that school that continuation of such action might result in closing the school. (Referred to new committee requested in No. 16 above).

22. *UN-COOPERATIVE SCHOOL COMMITTEES*: In some few cases School Committees having money have refused to repair equipment or purchase supplies for their teachers. Repeated action of this course might also result in having to close a school and will be referred to the District Superintendent involved. (Referred to district and conference school councils, see daily proceedings No. 48).

23. We recommend that the amount collected from each pupil for paying school managers' and assistant school managers' salaries be raised in 1964 for 1/- to 1/6. This will make it possible to employ additional African school managers.

24. *THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE*: (a) School Committees deal with the building and equipping of a school, not with the running of a school. The Manager has authority over the School Committee.

(b) The pastor, headteacher, local headmen and chief (if any), are ex-officio members of the School Committee.

(c) It is recommended that the School Committee be reconstituted yearly on a rotating basis. The School Committee is to have between 6 and 12 elected members and one-third are to be elected each year.

(d) School Committee members should be parents of children in the school.

25. "All teachers and non-teaching staff employed by the Methodist Church will pay electricity and water bills as determined by the local station executive. In places where this is not being done, it shall have become effective January 1, 1963." (Amendment to 1962 report, *Journal* p.80).

### **Student Loans**

(Daily Proceedings No. 57)

The Student Loan Committee agreed this year to help twenty-five students entering their first or second year in P.T.L. or P.T.H. with approximately two-thirds of their school fees for the year, not including the cost of books. Of the twenty-five chosen, twenty-two entered school and received the amount of £12-10-0 each.

A statement was made last year concerning the lack of payment of those now out of school who received loans. We are happy to note that there has been a much better response this year, and we would like to thank the school managers who have so conscientiously kept their teachers aware of their responsibilities toward paying their debts. However, we hope that this year there will be yet another increase in the payment of loans, because it is still far from good. There are outstanding debts dating back to 1956. It has been noted that several of these debts are owed by people holding positions of responsibility within the educational department of the Methodist Church. An amount of over £1000 is now owed by people who are no longer in school. This year this fund could have been open to help approximately 70 students, three times the number actually aided, if these debts were paid.

This year a letter will be sent to each person who owes all or part of a loan, and who is able to reduce or obliterate his debt. We hope that by reminding people of the debt they still owe, they will realise that they may well be responsible for keeping a student out of school, through not enabling the fund to retain a good balance. A list of all outstanding debts and the year's incurred shall be sent to all principals and school managers before sending letters to those owing money.

Last year, also, a plea was made for all headmasters to be sure to send the applications in to the secretary-treasurer before the end of October. The committee requests again that the headmasters do their utmost—for the pupils opportunities—to send in their forms promptly. In addition each headmaster should read the forms carefully, so that it is filled in properly, and note that an application can be made for only one year at a time.

## The Board of Temperance

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 39, 40)

I. It was agreed by the group that stress should be placed on greater harmony among headmasters, district superintendents, school managers, pastors, and social workers in solving problems where temperance rules of the church have been transgressed by teachers and church workers.

### A. Temperance Education

We stress that children should be taught about the evils and dangers of alcohol and smoking and other aspects of temperance.

When, where, and by whom should they be taught?

1. Temperance Sunday should be well planned and observed in all our churches.

2. Temperance education should be part of the MYF programme.

3. One period from each week should be used in all our schools for temperance education. This would be one of the periods which are set aside for "scripture" in the curriculum. This temperance education period should be in all schools at all levels. We request pastors to help get this program started.

B. Some sources of material for teaching temperance are:

1. Booklets and leaflets—*Kuipa Kwe Doro, Tikombe Learns, Zvidzidzo Zve Doro*—are available from the Conference Literature Distribution Department.

2. The Board of Temperance will attempt to secure materials from the Methodist Board of Temperance in USA, from the local Alcoholic Anonymous groups, from the National Conference on Alcoholism, and other groups to distribute to pastors, headmasters, and church leaders.

3. Audio-visual materials on temperance are available from the Audio-Visual Department, located in the Bible House, 99 Victoria Ave., Salisbury. We urge church and school leaders to use them.

C. Speech Contests. A motion was passed that the Board look into the feasibility of speech contests. A committee composed of Rev. J. Nduna, Dr. G. Close, Mrs. E. Munjoma, and E. Matzigkeit were requested to bring a report on this to the next Board meeting.

D. Fact and Faith films, suitable for secondary students, are available for African audiences for a rental of 15/- from the Audio-Visual Dept. at the Bible House in Salisbury. A number of these films are scientific presentations on the subjects of the body and alcohol, etc.

E. We urge the Conference Director of Evangelism and his team to carry temperance literature and to emphasize temperance in their sermons. We urge workers in Christian family and home life to emphasize temperance.

We will attempt to assist various groups and individuals to secure materials, films and literature.

II. A request from the Social Concerns Committee that the Board of Temperance become a sub-committee of that group was discussed. It was agreed that the Board of Temperance should remain a separate Board for the present.

III. Parents have expressed concern that their children are being misled by improper example in Methodist schools and institutions. We likewise express concern that some rules of the church so often are disregarded. We feel that in the long run, the church, and our children would be the losers if present rules of temperance are relaxed.

We affirm that present rules of our church should be enforced against smoking and drinking by teachers in Methodist schools and Christian workers on Methodist Centres and in Methodist institutions.

School managers, principals, and department heads of Methodist schools and institutions should make certain that new teachers and workers fully understand the rules of the church concerning drinking, smoking, gambling and adultery. We urge that these leaders should see that church rules are followed and urge them to notify all workers, old and new, that failure to comply will result in dismissal or expulsion.

We feel that if church rules are relaxed, everything built in the past will be torn down.

We do not fear the closing of schools if church rules would be enforced. We have faith that God will see that our problems are solved as they arise. Further, we do not feel that we are forcing the rules of the Methodist Church on non-Methodist people in our Methodist institutions. When non-Methodists come to work in Methodist institutions, it is their choice.

Historically, Methodists have always stood for the disciplined life. We see no need to relax now.

IV. *The Findings of Science:* Findings of medical science repeat that there is a casual relationship between incidence of lung cancer and smoking. Medical science also reports that smoking aggravates and disposes the lungs to other diseases. For example, tuberculosis and asthma are made worse by smoking. Smoking affects the heart and blood vessels and is also detrimental to the efficient working of the heart and the circulation of the blood.

Findings of medical science show that repeated consumption of alcohol (beer, wine, whiskey, gin, scotch, etc.) can result in severe and irreparable damage to the liver and the brain. Medical and sociological sciences also say: "Beer contains alcohol, alcohol taken in sufficient quantities leads to drunkenness, drunkenness leads to irresponsible acts, alcohol is habit forming, drinking of alcohol leads to chronic alcoholism and degeneration of the personality."

The drinking of alcoholic beverages frequently results in the loss of inhibitions and subsequent acts of immorality. Drinking drivers constitute a deadly hazard on the highways both for themselves and for others.

*V. Budget request:* We request that a temperance secretary be appointed in Miss Marcia Ball's absence, and a budget be appropriated to carry forward temperance education in Methodist schools and institutions.

### **Board of Trustees** (Daily Proceedings No. 27)

The Board has continued to prepare for a more effective way of administering the local property looking forward to the assuming of responsibility through the transfer of same to the Conference. Three meetings have been held during the year. The main matters that have claimed the attention of the Board concern the relationship in administration with the Board of Missions, the relationship between those responsible for the use of lands and the scheme for the homes for retired ministers and workers.

1. The Title deeds and leases have been brought together and placed in a file in the custody of the Legal Representative. A lawyer is now working on establishing a uniformity of titles. During the years since the opening of our work in 1899 there have been a great variety of titles registered. This work should soon be completed with the Registrar of Deeds.

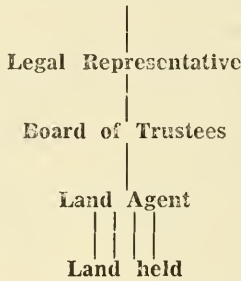
2. The authority for the Board of Trustees to administer the use of lands has now been given by the Board of Missions in whose name the Title Deeds are now held. There is only one Title held by the Board of Trustees under the constitution of the Conference and that is "Sunnyside."

3. The sites for the proposed homes for retired ministers, widows and full-time workers at Old Umtali, Mutambara, and Nyadiri as set out and recommended by the local Executive Committees have now been approved.

4. Because of certain legal difficulties it will not be possible to proceed immediately with the development of the proposed plan for Old Umtali. It is recommended after legal consultations that the project for Nyadiri and Mutambara be approved and implemented following this Conference by the respective Executive Committees in consultation with and under the guidance of the land agent. Applications for occupancy should be made to the Board of Trustees through the local Executive.

5. The relationships of those concerned with the use and administration of lands as outlined in the following:

**Property and Lands held by the  
Board of Missions of the Methodist Church**



**Executive Committees**

Local decisions on matters of the use of lands it administers and the Board of Trustees.

**The Land Agent**

Informs and guides all concerned with the use of land.  
Agent of Board of Trustees.  
The Liason between Board and Executive.

**Board of Trustees**

Responsible Body of the Rhodesia Annual Conference.  
Informs, advises, confirms and approves action.

**Legal Representative**

Member of the Board of Trustees.  
Keeps lease files and legal responsibility.

Notes: The Agent will receive and administer Funds for the development of land. The retirement scheme funds will also be administered by the Land Agent. The request for such should be made to him by the local Executive. The local Executives will receive and recommend all applications for homes for the retired ministers and workers. Final approval will be made by the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees will consider and approve the termination of changes of any leases.

Copies of the minutes of the centre Executive Committee meetings are to be sent to the Land Agent and the Board of Trustees for information regarding all movable and leasehold property at these centres.

The application forms submitted for Retirement plots and homes were approved.

The Retirement Schemes at each of the three centres are to be implemented by the local Executives in consultation and under the guidance of the land agent.

We recommend that the above be approved as the accepted pattern whereby the administration may be exercised.

6. No doubt the time has arrived for the transfer of certain lands and property to the Conference through the Board of Trustees by the Board of Missions. Due attention will be given to this matter during the coming Conference year.



7. All property in the future is to be held in the name of the Board of Trustees of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of The Methodist Church.

## **Wabvuwi**

(Daily Proceedings No. 16)

### **A. WABVUWI NORTH REPORT**

The Wabvuwi Annual Meeting North was held in Headlands at Nyamukamani on September 20-22, 1962. Our travel to and from Headlands was in some ways difficult because it was at the time that ZAPU was banned.

The Lord greatly blessed our meetings. On Sunday the District Superintendent and ministers present served communion to 352 people. The Wabvuwi collected £3 at this meeting, which was given to the blind and lame people who attended the meetings. The balance of this money which was seven shillings, three pence, was given to Rev. Makuto, the pastor at Chikwizo.

At this meeting 17 people were won to Christ; we praise the Lord for these blessings.

The Wabvuwi are doing many other things in their circuits and churches, such as visiting the sick and helping the widows. In some circuits the Wabvuwi have gone to plough lands for the widows in need.

### **B. WABVUWI SOUTH**

1. The Annual convention was held at Chiringa-Odzi in Maranke Reserve, on the 5th of July, 1962. There were about 1,384 people in number. The Lord's Supper was served to 726 men and women on Sunday.

2. We were honoured by the presence of Chief Maranke, the D.S., and many of the missionaries. Thirty-eight people were saved and they all gave testimonies of their repentance. We all felt the presence of God through the group prayers at the Convention.

3. We gave £8-11-6 to the triplets of Mr. and Mrs. Njerere as a gift.

4. We helped Mr. F. Chipaumire, former chairman of Vabvuwi, by the sum of £4-10-0 for spectacles.

5. The Chakohwa Church request of £25 was accepted and approved.

6. 1963 Dumba of Vabvuwi South met at the Christian Centre in Umtali on April 5 to 6.

a. We have chosen two delegates who will go and attend the Northern Dumba.

b. We want a book of how Vabvuwi started. A committee of five people to study and collect information was chosen.

7. We have joy in reporting to the Conference that we have fulfilled our requirements by sending five men to Nyamaropa for a week. We found it quite helpful and we hope to go again to such places to tell men good news of the Saviour. We give thanks to God for the progress of Vabvuwi work.

8 Our convention will be held at Denzva, Makoni Reserve starting from July 4 to 8. We invite you all to attend and share with us the Heavenly blessings and its showers.

## **Worship and Music**

(Daily Proceedings No. 46)

1. In view of a strong recommendation of the All-Africa Youth Assembly, meeting at Nairobi in December, that the churches in Africa should attempt to develop more African modes of worship, we recommend that our conference appoint a special committee to study this matter and to see whether or not a service of worship could be developed using such modes of worship. We recommend that Marshall Murphree, Dennison Nyamurowa, Martin Chiza, and Robert Kauffman be appointed to this committee, and that they invite representatives of the other churches in the SRCC to meet with them. Robert Kauffman is to convene the meeting.

2. We recommend that all churches observe the second or third Sunday of each school year as a special time of dedication for the local church leaders: Sunday School, Rukwadzano, Vabvuwi, MYF, etc. We further recommend that new musical instruments be dedicated at the same service. Suggested rites for these services will be found in the new book of worship.

3. Dr. Culver reported on the new book of worship that should be ready for publication by conference time. A lengthy discussion was held in which it was decided that the litanies be left out of the present book and that these be put in duplicated form along with other special worship materials or services, and that these be used experimentally before they are added to the official book of worship. We recommend that this book or worship be printed in Union Shona, in keeping with the policy of the Board of Publications.

4. Mr. Kauffman reported on the work of the hymnal revision sub-committee. The proposed interdenominational hymnal has not materialized, due to a lack of interest on the part of most of the churches in the SRCC. However, a new proposal for a smaller set of hymns that could be used in interdenominational meetings and in schools, has been referred by the SRCC to the Salisbury African Ministers Fraternal.

Therefore, the sub-committee has continued its work on the revision of the present NGOMA. Since the appointment of this sub-committee two years ago, two of the members have gone overseas. It was felt that the following four new members should be added: K. Eriksson, J. Chitombo, M. Blomquist, and G. Otto. The existing members are D. Nyamurora, M. Kaisi, and R. Kauffman. The new committee, being a larger one, and having on it a number of ministers, would more adequately be able to determine the content of the worship materials and also to evaluate the selection of new hymns and the resultant deletion of some of the present hymns in NGOMA.

5. We support the request made for Christian Education directors to be appointed to the centre schools. We would also recommend that chaplains be considered for appointment to non-church-related schools, such as Nyatsime, Goromonzi, and Fletcher.

6. We support the following recommendations made at the Mrewa Arts Workshop:

a) In recognition of the long tradition of Christian art in many parts of the world, we wish to encourage churches to use any carvings and paintings conveying moral Christian teachings, for example, the cross and other events in the life of Jesus. Any artist must be given the freedom of expression in painting and carving any religious story using any colour he wishes, but must be thoroughly acquainted with the facts of the story.

b) In appreciation of the importance of one's surroundings to Christian worship, we recommend that the local church gives special attention to beautification and maintenance of church buildings and grounds.

c) We recommend that our annual Conference encourages the use of traditional African songs and African worship patterns. To encourage this type of worship we recommend that the Conference continue to designate at least one Sunday a year for this special emphasis.

d) We are grateful for the work of the Vabvuwi and Rukwadzano in developing Christian hymns of deep Christian feeling and in traditional African hymns.

We further recommend that the building committees of new churches be urged to consider the possibility of having pictures, such as that of Jesus carrying the cross, painted on the walls of the church. We urge that the building committees consult Dr. Morgan Johnson on this matter.

7. We recommend that the planning and budget of Mr. Kauffman's work be submitted to the Worship and Music Committee for review.

8. We recommend that the Board of Publications appoint a sub-committee to work on the translation and distribution of THE UPPER ROOM.

9. We recommend that "African Music Sunday" be placed on the official church calendar for 1963-64.

10. We recommend that new hymns be taught in each of our mission centres.

11. We recommend that copies of the religious drama "As Jesus Passed By" which was presented at the 1961 Annual Conference, be duplicated and distributed for use in our churches. (Referred back to committee for investigation and action).

12. We recommend that the implementation of appropriate items of this report be referred by the secretary of this committee to the local church worship and evangelism committees.

### **Part VII**

#### **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.

##### **A. STUDIES FOR THE FIRST YEAR.**

1. Life of Christ in the Gospels
    - a. Read the four Gospels through.
    - b. Construct an outline of the life of Christ.
    - c. Write an essay on some part of Christ's life of 1000 words.
    - d. Read the story of Jesus. (E. Graham)
    - e. Be prepared for examination on the life of Jesus at Annual Conference of 1964.
  2. History of the Church to 500 A.D.  
"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. Extra Reading  
Read "The Bible, Its Meaning and Purpose" by Grant.  
Read works on the divine art of soul winning.  
Examination  
Read Concordance by D. M. Miller.
- ##### **B. STUDIES FOR THE SECOND, THIRD, AND FOURTH YEARS.**
- (To be announced next year).*

### **Part VIII**

#### **A. MEMOIRS**

##### **EDITH KAPENZI**

Edith Harubvi Kapenzi was born at Chitaka near Penhalonga; she was the daughter of Pfawayi. She came to Old Umtali for schooling and stayed at the Villa Girls' Department. While she was schooling, she worked in the house of Rev. and Mrs. H. N. Howard with Rev. A. Kapenzi. After her schooling she went to teach at Mrewa for some time. In 1918 she was married to Rev. A. Kapenzi; they both stayed at Villa working with the girls.

After a few years Edith Kapenzi was moved with her husband to Old Umtali Location which is known as Mandisodza Village today. From there she went with Rev. Kapenzi to Zinyembe where they stayed for a short time, and came back to Old Umtali again where her husband taught for a long time. In 1945 Mrs. Kapenzi went with her husband to Nyadiri Mission where her husband was appointed as a pastor of Nyadiri Church.

Mrs. Kapenzi left Nyadiri Mission in 1948 after the death of her dear husband and came to Old Umtali where she was given a house to stay with her children as a widow by the mission. She stayed there until she was attacked by illness and passed away on January 23, 1963 in Umtali hospital. Mrs. Edith Kapenzi was a strong Christian woman, faithful and helpful in Rukwadzano Movement; she was a member of the Executive in Rukwadzano.

We extend our deep sympathy to her family.

### *JASPER MACHIRI*

Jasper Machiri was born in 1924 at Mutambara Mission. He was educated at Old Umtali Mission, where he obtained the P.T.L. Certificate. After his education at Old Umtali Mission, he taught at Mwandenda from 1943 to 1945, and later attended Goromonzi Secondary School where he matriculated.

He taught at Sakubva Government Primary School from 1950 to 1957. He was promoted and became the headmaster of Mutambara Mission Primary School from 1958 to 1961. In 1960 he was appointed as a delegate by the Southern Rhodesia Methodist Conference to attend the General Conference in America. In 1961 the Southern Rhodesia Conference gave him a scholarship to go to study. He went with his family to Morningside College where he studied and passed his first year of B.A. with a distinction.

On June 8, 1962, he died. Jasper was a man who loved God; he dedicated himself to God and to his country. He was a member of M.Y.F., member of Wabvuwi and other works of the church.

We deeply sympathize with his wife, Alma, and children, and his parents, the Rev. and Mrs. J. Machiri, for their loss.

### *REV. DAVID MANDISODZA*

David Charles Mandisodza was born in Inyanga area; he left Inyanga and went to Umtali where he worked. From Umtali in 1902, he came to Old Umtali for schooling. In 1905 he went with Rev. E. H. Greeley to Mt. Makomwe to start the school there. In 1908 he went with Rev. A. L. Buchwalter to start another school at Mutambara Mission. In 1918 he was at Old Umtali for further schooling. While he was there, the Holy Spirit came at Old Umtali, and he received Him with others. After receiving the Holy Spirit, he went with two other of the men to Zinyembe. God healed the daughter of Muredzwa who was a cripple through him and his friends.

Rev. David Mandisodza became a member on trial and a Deacon in 1921; he became an Elder in 1929. He was first appointed as a minister in Salisbury in 1921. From 1922 to 1929 he was the pastor in charge of Headlands Circuit; from 1930 to 1933 the pastor in charge of Umtali Church. In 1934 he had a leave of absence; in 1935 he became supernumerary; in 1936 he was located. From 1937 to 1943 he came back in the service and was the pastor in charge of Mangwende Circuit; in 1944 he was pastor in charge of Chipfatsura Circuit, until he retired in 1951. After his retirement he stayed at Vumbunu where he bought his farm. While he was staying there, he became ill for a long time and passed away December 29, 1962.

Rev. David Mandisodza was the first African man to be a minister in the Rhodesia Annual Conference of the Methodist Church. He was a strong Christian man, a faithful man, a man who dedicated his life to God and to his people; he did a lot for his people.

We extend our deep sympathy to his family.

## B. ROLL OF OUR HONOURED DEAD

(a) Members of Conference

	Place of Birth	Ent'd Conf.	Yrs. of Service	Died	Age	Place of Burial
Buchwaler, Abraham I.	Ferility, Penn.	1899	26	Aug. 3, 1917	52	Monrovia, California
Gunney, Samuel	Long Branch, N. J.	1887	21	Aug. 3, 1924	64	Salisbury, So. Rhodesia
Howard, Herbert N.	Harrisburg, Penn.	1907	11	Mar. 7, 1925	55	Canandaigua, N. Y.
Greeley, Eddy H.	Owatonna, Minn.	1907	30	April 8, 1938	80	Old Umtali, So. Rhod.
Faku, Clifford Edward	Fort Beaufort, Cape	1924	27	Febr'y, 1946	64	Fort Beaufort, Cape
Kapenzi, Amos	Gandanzara	1928	20	May 4, 1948	50	Nyadiri, So. Rhodesia
Zimonte, Ebbson	Uzumba	1942	8	Mar. 14, 1950	35	Nyadiri, So. Rhodesia
Huie, Carl William	Oneonta, Ala.	1946	4	July 21, 1950	41	Old Umtali, So. Rhod.
Darikwa, Isalah	Umtasa	1924	27	Aug. 17, 1951	62	Old Umtali, So. Rhod.
Chimonyo, Obadiah	Nyambuka, Inyanza	1932	23	Aug. 25, 1955	63	Old Umtali, So. Rhod.
Marange, Thomas	Mount Makomwe	1923	25	Febr'y, 1958	72	Makomwe, So. Rhod.
Aeschliman, Edward John	Rib Lake, Wisconsin	1916	44	Jan. 26, 1960	67	Old Umtali, So. Rhod.
Mandisodza, David	Umtasa	1921	30	Dec. 29, 1962	75	Vumbunu, So. Rhod.

(b) Widows of Deceased Members: None.

Wives of Members:

Naomi Mparutsa, Wife of Moses Mparutsa, died February 12th, 1933.

Emma Katsidzira, Wife of Murashwa Katsidzira, died May 3rd, 1933.

Emily Faku, Wife of Clifford Faku, died March 1, 1934.

Lydia Sika Munjoma, Wife of Isalah Munjoma, died February 12th, 1945.

Hilda Ngonyama, Wife of R. N. Ngonyama, died 1948.

Tseneka Chitombo, Wife of Jonah Chitombo, died August 30th, 1948.

Tumani Mandisodza, wife of David Mandisodza, died June 14th, 1953.

Mrs Bertha Fowles Roberts, Wife of G. A. Roberts, aged 73, died May 9th, 1957. She served in Southern Rhodesia 1910-1950. Buried at Old Umtali.

Edith Kapenzi, wife of Amos Kapenzi, died January 23, 1963. Buried at Old Umtali.

(c) Other Workers:

Miss Sadie Rexrode, W.F.M.S., age 38, died January 22, 1921, after three years service in So. Rhodesia; buried at Old Umtali.

Mr. Charles F. Taylor, age 67, missionary to China, died in the Umtali Hospital, August 14th, 1937 and was buried at Old Umtali.

Miss E. E. Bjorklund, age 63, died November 19th, 1930. Her missionary service extended over a period of thirty-five years. She served in China and Japan from 1894 to 1900, in East Africa at Inhambane 1909 to 1915 and in Rhodesia at Old Umtali 1915 to 1929. Buried at Old Umtali.

Miss Mildred O. Benson, age 42, died July 12th, 1937, a missionary of the W.F.M.S. She served in S. Rhodesia at Old Umtali, 1926-1937. Buried at Old Umtali.

Miss Pearl Muhlkin, age 71. Died July 12th, 1950. She served in Southern Rhodesia from 1909-1939. Buried at Wilmore, Kentucky.

Miss Lois Pfaff, age 53. Died March 14th, 1962, served as a missionary for 18 years. Buried at Old Umtali.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord"

## Part IX HISTORICAL

### A. CONFERENCE SESSIONS

#### EAST CENTRAL AFRICA MISSION CONFERENCE

TIME	PLACE	BISHOP	SECRETARY
1901 Nov. 16	Umtali and Old Umtali	Hartzell	Springer
1903 Sept. 29	Umtali	Hartzell	Beetham
1905 May 26	Umtali	Hartzell	Ferris
1907 Mar. 13	Umtali	Hartzell	Ferris
1907 Nov. 22	Umtali	Hartzell	Ferris
1909 July 10	Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley
1910 Aug. 17	Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley
1911 June 7	Umtali	Hartzell	Gurney
1912 Feb. 17	Old Umtali	J. R. Gates	O'Farrell
1913 Oct. 22	Old Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley

#### RHODESIA MISSION CONFERENCE

1915 Jan. 20	Old Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley
1916 Feb. 16	Old Umtali	J. R. Gates	Greeley
1917 May 3	Old Umtali	Johnson	Greeley
1917 Dec. 7	Old Umtali	Johnson	J. R. Gates
1919 April 4	Umtali	Johnson	Gurney
1921 June 13	Old Umtali	Johnson	James
1922 June 14	Old Umtali	Johnson	James
1923 June 19	Old Umtali	Shepard	James
1924 Aug. 13	Old Umtali	Johnson	James
1925 June 25	Old Umtali	Johnson	Wagner
1926 Nov. 4	Nyadiri	Johnson	R. C. Gates
1927 June 14	Old Umtali	Johnson	Murphree
1928 Sept. 10	Old Umtali	Johnson	Murphree
1929 July 3	Old Umtali	Johnson	Murphree
1930 July 9	Mutambara	Johnson	Murphree

#### RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

1931 July 8	Mrewa	Johnson	Sells
1932 Sept. 28	Old Umtali	Johnson	Sells
1933 June 14	Old Umtali	Johnson	Sells
1934 June 13	Old Umtali	Johnson	Sells
1935 July 9	Old Umtali	Johnson	Adkins
1936 Dec. 6	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells
1937 Oct. 6	Nyadiri	Springer	Sells
1938 Oct. 5	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells
1939 Nov. 8	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells

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1939 Nov. 10	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells
1940 July 24	Mrewa	Springer	Sells
1941 Sept. 2	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells
1942 Sept. 1	Mutambara	Springer	Sells
1943 Aug. 31	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells
1944 Sept. 5	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells
1945 Aug. 21	Nyadiri	Booth	Sells
1946 Aug. 22	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1947 Aug. 25	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1948 Aug. 23	Old Umtali	Booth	Fuller
1949 Aug. 25	Old Umtali	Booth	Fuller
1950 Aug. 23	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1951 Aug. 19	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1952 Aug. 19	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1953 Aug. 16	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1954 Aug. 15	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1955 Aug. 14	Old Umtali	Hagen	Hassing
1956 Aug. 29	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1957 April 23	Old Umtali	Dodge	Sells
1958 May 4	Old Umtali	Dodge	Sells
1959 May 3	Nyadiri	Dodge, Booth	Goodloe
1960 April 29	Old Umtali	Griffin, Dodge	Goodloe
1961 May 1	Old Umtali	Dodge	Choto
1962 April 23	Nyadiri	Booth	Choto
1963 April 29	Mutambara	Dodge	Choto

### B. DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

#### METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

1932	Ministerial: T. A. O'Farrell; Reserve—H.I. James Lay: Miss Ruth Hanson; Reserve—Miss Oril Penny
1936	Ministerial: H. I. James; Reserve—E. L. Sells Lay: Miss Sarah King; Reserve—Mrs. H. I. James

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- 1940 Ministerial: T. A. O'Farrell; Reserve—H. E. Taylor  
Lay: Mrs. T. A. O'Farrell; Reserve—Mrs. Taylor
- 1944 Ministerial: M. J. Murphree; Reserve—E. L. Sells  
Lay: Miss Sarah King; Reserve—Mrs. Murphree
- 1948 Ministerial: Per Hassing; Reserve—R. C. Gates and E. L. Sells  
Lay: Miss Sarah King; Reserve—Miss L. Tubbs
- 1952 Ministerial: M. J. Murphree; Reserve—H. I. James  
Lay: Enoch Chieza; Reserve—Miss Lois Pfaff
- 1956 Ministerial: Samuel Chieza; Reserve—J. Chitombo  
Lay: Mrs. O. Stine; Reserve—Mrs. R. C. Gates
- 1960 Ministerial: J. Kawadza; Reserve—V. Otto  
Lay: Jasper Machiri; Reserve—Geoffrey Kapenzi
- 1964 Ministerial: Josiah Chidzikwe; Reserve—Kare Eriksson  
Lay: Samuel Tsopotsa; Reserve—Isaac Musamba.

### C. MISSIONARIES 1898-1963

(List of missionaries sent to the Rhodesia work by the Board of Foreign Missions, the W.F.M.S., and the W.D.C.S., beginning with the opening of the work in 1898, with year of entering and leaving the work).

Rev. and Mrs M. W. Ehnes	1898-1901	Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Fuller	1947-1952
Rev. and Mrs J. L. DeWitt	1899-1901	Rev. and Mrs J. G. Blomquist	1947-
Mrs Anna Arndt	1899-1902	Miss M. Johansson	1947-
Mr Herman Heinkle	1899-1903	Mrs H. F. Buies	1948-1949
Dr. Hammett	1899-1899	Rev. and Mrs. F. Jackson	1949-1954
Miss Culver	1899-1899	Rev. and Mrs. K. Eriksson	1949-
Rev. E. H. Greeley	1900-1938	Dr and Mrs. J. Sheldon	1949-1954
Rev. R. E. Beetham	1901-1904	Mr and Mrs H. L. Christian	1949-1951
Mr G. M. Odium	1901-1902	Rev. and Mrs K. Harper	1949-1955
Rev. and Mrs. R. Wodehouse	1901-1910	Mr and Mrs B. A. Higgs	1949-
Rev. J. M. Springer	1901-1906	Mr and Mrs V. Kinyon	1950-
	1921-1924	Rev. and Mrs A. L. Mansure	1950-1955
Mrs H. Rasmussen	1901-1905	Miss G. Otto	1950-
Mrs J. Springer	1905-1909	Miss V. Otto	1950-
	1921-1924	Rev. and Mrs O. A. Stine	1950-
Miss E. H. Johnson	1901-1901	Mrs. P. W. Jones	1950-1959
Rev. Samuel Gurney	1902-1905	Rev. A. Leiknes	1950-1954
	1909-1920		1958-
Mrs S. Gurney	1902-1902	Mr and Mrs I. W. Jansen	1950-1961
Mr and Mrs D. Carson	1902-1903	Miss S. Aldrich	1950-1952
Rev. J. H. Dimmit	1903-1903	Miss V. Priest	1950-1953
Rev. G. A. Baldwin	1903-1904	Rev. and Mrs A. R. Boucher	1951-1956
Rev. and Mrs J. E. Ferris	1904-1909	Rev. and Mrs H. Griffin	1951-
Rev. S. D. Coffin	1905-1911	Rev. and Mrs H. F. Anfinson	1951-
Miss Swormstedt	1905-1910	Mrs. A. Leiknes	1951-1954
Mrs S. D. Coffin	1905-1911		1958-
Mr E. L. Sechrist	1906-1909	Miss S. Hervold	1917-
Rev. J. R. Gates	1906-1914	Mr Morgan Johnson	1951-1955
	1916-1932		1931-
Miss H. L. Lodge	1907-1908	Miss Helen Emmert	1951-1956
Mrs J. R. Gates	1908-1914	Miss Esther Russell	1951-
	1916-1932	Miss Ellen Sweeney	1951-
Miss E. M. Bell	1907-1911	Mr and Mrs B. Smalley	1952-
Miss S. Coffin	1907-1912	Miss M. Ball	1952-
Rev. G. A. Roberts	1907-1950	Rev. and Mrs E. J. Aeschliman	1952-1960
Rev. and Mrs A. L. Buchwalter	1909-1915	Rev. and Mrs. D. L. Sherertz	1952-1958
Rev. and Mrs. H. N. Howard	1909-1920	Mr and Mrs G. M. Carr	1952-1957
Miss E. D. Nourse	1909-1921	Dr Clara Nutting	1952-1953
Miss P. Mullikin	1909-1939	Miss J. Titus	1952-1954
Rev. and Mrs T. A. O'Farrell	1910-1951	Dr and Mrs M. Piburn	1953-
Miss B. Fowles	1910-1912	Rev. and Mrs. C. Miller	1953-
Mrs G. A. Roberts	1912-1950	Miss M. Sawyer	1954-1961
Miss R. N. Goddard	1912-1915	Mr Roger Harmon	1954-1955
Mrs J. Paisley	1915-1921		1952-
Miss G. Clark	1912-1917	Miss Jenny Larsen	1954-
Rev. and Mrs C. A. Kent	1912-1915	Miss R. Lind	1955-
Rev. and Mrs H. I. James	1913-1952	Mr D. M. Manbeck	1955-1961
Miss E. E. Bjorklund	1915-1930	Rev. and Mrs. M. W. Murphree	1955-
Miss E. A. Hess	1915-1932	Miss D. Hickock	1956-1962
Miss F. Quinton	1917-1940	Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Goodloe	1956-
Miss S. Rexrode	1918-1921	Mr and Mrs E. Matzigkeit	1956-
Miss L. Tubbs	1918-1957	Mr B. Averitt	1957-1960
Rev. and Mrs H. E. Taylor	1919-1947	Mr and Mrs J. Schevinius	1957-
Miss O. Parmenter	1920-1949	Miss O. Roed	1957-1963
Rev. and Mrs M. J. Murphree	1920-1957	Miss M. Bayless	1958-
Miss M. Fuller	1921-1931	Rev. and Mrs O. Fink	1958-
	1938-1940	Mr and Mrs G. Fleshman	1958-



Rev. and Mrs A. DeJacoby	1921-1921	Mr R. Gell	1958-1960
Rev. W. Bourgaize	1921-1957	Dr and Mrs B. Horton	1958-1960
Rev. L. E. Tull	1921-1921	Miss A. Petersen	1958-1961
Mr and Mrs W. C. Gardner	1921-1925	Mr and Mrs D. Shires	1958-1962
Mrs G. Beven	1922-1927	Rev. and Mrs. A. Alvord	1959-
Miss B. Reitz	1922-1956	Miss B. Feather	1959-1963
Rev. and Mrs R. C. Gates	1922-1962	Mr and Mrs E. Landin	1959-
Miss A. Moore	1922-1927	Miss M. Smock	1959-1963
Rev. and Mrs J. G. Brass	1922-1923	Mr and Mrs L. Hillendahl	1960-
Rev. and Mrs F. G. Mauger	1923-1930	Mr and Mrs L. Dewey	1960-
Miss E. McMann	1923-1931	Mr and Mrs J. Peary	1960-
Miss S. King	1923-1953	Dr and Mrs W. Wickett	1930-1961
Miss B. Ramsey	1924-1937	Dr and Mrs G. Downie	1960-1962
Rev. R. F. Wagner	1924-1927	Rev. and Mrs E. Heyer	1960-
	1929-1934	Mr and Mrs B. Simonsson	1960-
Miss J. G. Woodruff	1925-1930	Miss Anne Marler	1960-1963
Miss Ila Scovill	1925-	Miss Jane Way	1960-
Dr S. R. P. Montgomery	1925-1929	Miss Patricia Meyer	1960-1963
Mrs S. R. P. Montgomery	1925-1927	Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Bisby	1961-
Miss Oral Penny	1926-1940	Mr and Mrs S. Carroll	1961-
Miss R. E. Hanson	1926-1960	Rev. and Mrs L. Eisenberg	1961-
Miss M. O. Benson	1926-1937	Mr and Mrs J. Hughlett	1961-1992
Rev. and Mrs E. L. Sells	1929-	Rev. and Mrs A. J. Reid	1961-1962
Mrs R. F. Wagner	1923-1934	Mr and Mrs C. Lemasters	1961-
Miss J. Pfaff	1929-	Mr and Mrs T. Pruett	1961-1962
Miss W. Shields	1930-1937	Mr and Mrs J. Stevenson	1961-1962
Miss Alice Whitney	1931-1963	Mr R. Swanson	1961-1962
Miss I. Gugin	1931-1940	Dr and Mrs A. Whanger	1961-
Rev. and Mrs L. E. Adkins	1933-1937	Mr and Mrs R. Kauffman	1961-
Miss R. Rydell	1933-1947	Mrs R. Harmon	1961-
Miss E. Parks	1938-	Rev. and Mrs R. Hughes	1961-
Miss M. Deyo	1939-	Miss M. McDougall	1961-1962
Mr and Mrs W. D. Hamrick	1939-1947	Mr and Mrs C. Taylor	1961-
Rev. Per Hassing	1940-1962	Rev. and Mrs N. Thomas	1961-
Mrs P. Hassing	1942-1962	Mrs M. Johnson	1961-
Dr G. A. Anderson	1941-1947	Mrs B. Post	1961-
Mr T. Roberts	1941-	Miss Joan Temperley	1961-
Miss E. deVries	1944-	Mrs Roger Harmon	1962-
Mrs G. A. Anderson	1944-1947	Mr and Mrs E. Watson	1962-
Miss H. Wildermuth	1944-1956	Miss Shirley Himes	1962-
Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Culver	1944-	Miss Patricia Wild	1962-
Miss E. Ashby	1945-	Miss Joan Short	1962-
Mr and Mrs J. Thacker	1945-1948	Dr and Mrs D. Rudy	1962-
Rev. and Mrs Q. C. Roberts	1945-1949	Miss J. Jenson	1962-1963
Rev. and Mrs C. W. Huie	1945-1950	Mr and Mrs S. Paulsen	1962-
Mrs. T. R. Roberts	1946-	Rev. and Mrs R. Noah	1962-
Miss L. Pfaff	1946-1962	Miss E. Morosani	1962-
Miss M. Taylor	1947-	Miss G. Boyd	1963-
Miss F. Hackler	1947-	Miss M. Comstock	1963-

**The following workers were employed on the field:**

Rev. M. H. Reid, 1898; Mrs R. St. Tullock, 1902; Mr M. B. Spears, 1905; Mrs H. Brown, 1903; Miss Cuff, 1903; Mrs T. Stratton, 1903; Miss E. Bennet, 1905; Rev. C. H. Beangley, 1906; Mr W. H. Robson, 1906; Miss A. F. Gray, 1906; Rev. G. A. Stockdale, 1907; Mr and Mrs Garner, 1907; Miss Blezzard, 1907; Mr and Mrs C. S. Till, 1910; Mrs L. Carson, 1911; Mr R. Mackenzie, 1912; Rev. and Mrs R. B. Wallace, 1913; Mr J. G. Paisley, 1912; Rev. W. Garner, 1912; Mr and Mrs W. Hodgson, 1917; Mr and Mrs S. C. Searle, 1918-1921; Mr C. Till, 1920; Mr B. Pretorius, 1924; Mr G. Pretorius, 1925-30; Miss J. McMorrin, 1928-30; Mrs Uys, 1930-33; Miss L. Pfaff, 1936-41; Mr and Mrs C. Huie, 1936-40; Miss L. Jessop, 1937-40; Miss F. Ellener, 1937-40; Mrs I. Wratten, 1938; Mr and Mrs P. F. DeBrujin, 1939-40; Mr and Mrs G. P. Braithwaite, 1939-41; Miss E. Loze, 1940-46; Miss L. Forrest, 1941-55; Mrs. V. Sabistan, 1947; Mrs C. Boswell, 1946-47; Mr B. Howells, 1946; Mr and Mrs A. M. Burns, 1948; Miss F. Ellener, 1947; B. Finlayson, 1947; Miss Gericke, 1947; Rev. and Mrs E. Dugmore, 1953; Miss A. Martin, 1948; Mrs W. Reich, 1948-51; Rev. and Mrs J. C. Beltman, 1950-51; Mrs W. Gazeley, 1951; Mr A.J.H. O'Hara, 1949-50, 1953; Mrs G. Mansure, 1951-54; Mrs Nuttal, 1954, Mr H. Ferreira, 1955; Rev. F. T. Meacham, 1955; Mr T. J. C. West, 1953-58; Mrs J. Thompson, 1955; Mrs T. J. C. West, 1956-58; Dr R. Bartholomew, 1956; Mrs B. Gardner, 1957; Miss A. Porteous, 1958- ; Miss Lumm, 1959; Mr Smith, 1959; Miss B. Howells 1962; Mrs P. Allen 1962; Mr R. O'Brien 1962; Mr C. Kenney 1962; Miss O. du Preez 1960-61.

**Part X**  
**PASTORAL RECORD**

(This record includes only the appointments during membership in the Conferences, and not those as "supply". In the case of missionaries, appointments before Conference membership on the field are included. The figures are the years of service spent in the Ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Conference and the Methodist Conference. The addresses are given in the Conference Roll and Directory).

**1. FULL MEMBERS**

**Aeschliman, Edward John:** Genesee Conference 1916; ordained Deacon and Elder 1918; transferred to North China Conference 1919; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1952; 1954-57 Umtali, Miller Memorial Church and Social Centre, Theological School Old Umtali; 1959 Assistant Pastor, Ehnes Memorial Church, Old Umtali; Deceased 1960.

**Aldrich, Sylvia:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946 by the Highway Conference; appointed missionary of the W.D.-C.S. to Rhodesia; 1950-56 Old Umtali, Teacher Training Dept.; 1958-62, Teacher Training Dept., Old Umtali; Retired 1962.

**Anfinsen, Hans Faye:** Norway Conference 1948; Deacon 1951; Elder 1952 (Missionary Rule); Sandnes 1948-49; in school 1950; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1952; 1952-56 Marange-Chiduku; 1958 Supt. of Schools, Mrewa District; 1959 Supt of Schools, Mrewa District and Chairman, Mrewa Mission; 1960-1963 Chairman, Mrewa Methodist Centre; 1963 Furlough.

**Alvord, Alexander Mapes:** Northern California Nevada Conference 1958; Deacon 1958; Transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1959; Elder 1960; Rusape Wesley and Chiduku-Chikore District Schools 1959-63.

**Ball, Marcia:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; appointed missionary of the W.D.C.S. in Rhodesia 1952; Deacon 1955; Elder 1958; 1951-56 Umtali Christian Centre; Conference Director of Christian Education Women's Bible Training and Evangelism 1958-62; 1963 Furlough.

**Bisby, Joseph Brice:** Texas Conference 1955, Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; Served charges in Texas Conference 1955-58; in school 1960. Transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1961, Mutambara Circuit Schools 1961-63.

**Blomquist, Lennart:** Swedish Conference 1940; Deacon 1942; Elder 1944; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1947; Nyadiri District missionary 1947-49; Superintendent, Nyadiri District 1950-51; on furlough 1952; 1954-56 Mutambara; 1957-59 Old Umtali Farm; 1960 furlough; 1961-63 Superintendent, Mtoko-Nyadiri District.

**Chidzikwe, Josiah:** Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; 1948 Mukahanana Circuit; 1949 Penhalonga Circuit; 1950 Assistant Religious Education; 1951 Maranke North Circuit; 1952-56 Mrewa; 1957-60 Ehnes Memorial Church, Old Umtali; 1961 Studies abroad; 1962-63 Chairman, Nyadiri Methodist Centre, Pastor of church.

**Chieza, Luke:** Rhodesia Conference 1934; Deacon 1936; Elder 1938; 1936-41 evangelist Mrewa District; 1942-47 Mrewa; 1949-52 Nyakatsapa Circuit; 1954-55 Assistant Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District; 1956-61 Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District, 1962-63, Conference Evangelist.

**Chieza, Philip:** Rhodesia Mission Conference 1927; Deacon 1932; Elder 1936; 1927-29 Muziti; 1930-31 Chiduku Circuit; 1932 Odzi Circuit; 1933-35 Odzi-Old Umtali Circuit; 1936-38 Odzi Circuit; 1939-48 Penhalonga Circuit; 1949-54 Chiduku South Circuit; 1955 retired.

**Chieza, Samuel:** Rhodesia Conference 1927; Deacon 1930; Elder 1933; 1927-31 Mrewa; 1931-48 Mtoko; 1949-61 Salisbury; 1962 retired.

**Chigubu, Nason:** Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-56 Chikuhwa and Uzumba North Circuit; 1957-63 Nyadiri East Circuit.

**Chikosi, Davidson:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1953-54 Gandanzara Circuit; 1955 supernumerary; 1956-63 Mutambara East Circuit.

**Chimbadzwa, Josiah:** Rhodesia Conference 1926; Deacon 1929; Elder 1930; 1926-30 Assistant, Theological School, Old Umtali; 1931-33 Assistant Pastor, Old Umtali and teacher in Hartzell Training School; 1934-35 Assistant Pastor, Old Umtali; 1936-40 Pastor, Old Umtali 1941-46 Salisbury; 1946-51 Old Umtali; 1952-58 Umtali; 1959-60 supernumerary; 1961 Salisbury (Harare); 1962 Old Umtali Biblical Institute; 1963 retired.

**Chimbganda, Elijah:** Rhodesia Conference 1955; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1955-62 Mtoko North Circuit; 1963 studies abroad.

**Chitombo, Jonah:** Rhodesia Conference 1933; Deacon 1935; Elder 1938; in school 1933-35; 1935-47 Nyadiri Circuit; 1948-52 Nyadiri East Circuit; 1953-55 Assistant Superintendent, Nyadiri District; 1956 Nyadiri District; 1957-60 Mrewa and Nyadiri District; 1961-63 chairman, Mutambara Methodist Centre, pastor of the church.

**Choto, Kenneth:** Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; 1948-52 Mrewa School Supervisor and Mrewa East; 1954-56 Assistant Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1957 Mtoko District; 1958 study; 1959-61 Old Umtali Biblical Institute and station chairman; 1962-63 Salisbury (Harare).

**Chiwota, Nathaniel:** Rhodesia Conference 1959; Deacon 1962, Book Distribution 1959; Mtoko 1960-61; Maranke South 1962-63.

**Culver, Maurice E.:** Newark Conference 1942; Deacon and Elder 1944; New Jersey 1942-44; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1945; 1945-46 Maranke and Zimunya Circuits; 1947-49 Superintendent Maranke-Zimunya District; 1947-48 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1948-49 Umtali District; 1949-52 on furlough; 1952-55 Secretary of Literature and Evangelism; 1954-56 Principal Theological School; 1957 on furlough; 1959-60 Principal, Old Umtali Biblical Institute. 1961-62, Epworth Theological College; 1963 on furlough.

**Chiza, Martin:** Rhodesia Conference 1952; Deacon 1954; Elder 1956; 1952 Gandanzara Circuit; 1953-56 Ehnes Memorial Church, Old Umtali; 1957 study; 1958 Theological School; 1959-63 Epworth Theological College.

**Chinogureyi, Maja David:** Rhodesia Conference 1956; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1956 Umtali Zimunya Circuit; 1957-58 Nyadiri Circuit; 1959-63 Chikore Tanda Circuit.

**Curtis, Thomas L.:** South Georgia Conference 1957; Deacon 1958; Elder 1959; St. Luke's Church, Columbus, Georgia (Associate Pastor) 1958-60; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1961; Mtasa-Makoni District (Assistant) 1961; Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District 1962-63.

**Dikanifuwa, Nason A.:** Rhodesia Conference 1954; Deacon 1956; Elder 1958; 1955-56 Nyadiri Mission, 1957-60 Umtali; 1961 studies abroad; 1962-63 Umtali.

**Eisenberg, John Lawrence:** Illinois Conference 1943; Deacon 1943; Elder 1945; served appointments in Illinois, Iowa, Tennessee, West Wisconsin and Virginia 1943-60; transferred from Holston Conference to Rhodesia Conference 1961; pastor, Ehnes Memorial Church, Old Umtali 1961-62; language study 1963.

**Eriksson, Kare:** Norway Conference 1941; Deacon 1946; Elder 1947; No in Rana 1941-42; Sigenrford 1943; Bod 1944; in school 1947-48; transferred Rhodesia Conference 1949; 1949-51 District missionary, Mutambara; 1952-53 Superintendent, Mutambara District; 1954 on furlough; 1955-59 Superintendent Mutambara District, Principal Mutambara School; 1960-61 Administrative Assistant; 1962 on furlough; 1963, Epworth Theological College.

**Fink, Omar:** Northwest Indiana Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; South Bend (St. Paul's Memorial) 1948-49; Hamlet 1949-51; in school 1951-52; transferred to North Georgia Conference 1952; Athens 1952-55; transferred to Virginia Conference 1955; Alexandria (Fairlington) 1955-57; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1958; St. Andrews Church 1958-60; 1961 Religious Education; 1962-1963 furlough.

**Gates, Robert C.:** Rhodesia Conference 1923; Deacon 1923; Elder 1927; 1923-27 Literary and Normal Department, Hartzell Training School; 1923 Old Umtali Circuit; 1924 Old Umtali Church; 1925 Old Umtali, Umtali, and Umtali Circuit; 1926 Mission Correspondent; 1927 Superintendent Old Umtali District and Principal Hartzell Training School; 1932 Superintendent, Nyadiri Mission; 1933-35 Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1936 Superintendent Umtali-Rusapi District and St. Andrews Church; 1933-36 Mission Treasurer; 1937 on furlough; 1938-46 Hartzell Training School, Teacher Training Dept.; 1939-46, 1949-54 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1947-48 on furlough; 1949-50 Mrewa North and West Circuit; 1950-1955 Supervisor Harare Church, Salisbury; 1956 on furlough; 1957 Superintendent Umtali-Zimunya District; 1958-61 Superintendent and school superintendent Marange District; 1962, Conference Treasurer; 1963, retired.

**Goodloe, Robert W.:** Rhodesia Conference 1956; 1952 Deacon; 1953 Elder; 1956 School Superintendent Mtasa District; 1957 Principal Hartzell Theological School; 1959-60 Epworth Theological College; 1961-63 furlough.

**Griffin, Hunter D.:** Kentucky Conference 1947; 1949 Deacon; Elder 1950; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1951; District Missionary Mtasa-Makoni 1951; 1952-55 Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District; 1956 on furlough; 1957-61 Nyadiri Mission; 1961 Administrative Assistant; 1962-63 furlough.

**Garupira, Philemon:** Rhodesia Conference 1952; 1954 Deacon; Elder 1956; 1952-55 Mtoko African Missionary Society; 1956-58 Chiduku South Circuit; 1959-63 Nyadiri Circuit.

**Harper, Kenneth:** California-Nevada Conference 1948; Deacon and Elder 1948; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1951; 1951 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1952-54 Teacher Training Old Umtali; 1954-63 on furlough. (Special Appointment).

**Massing, Per:** Norway Conference 1937; Deacon 1938; Elder 1939; 1937-39 Conference Evangelist; 1939 transferred to Rhodesia Conference; 1940-41 Superintendent of Schools, Old Umtali District; 1942-45 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1946-47 on furlough; 1948-50 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1949-52 Superintendent Umtali District; 1952 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1953-54 on furlough; 1955-57 Field Treasurer and Correspondent; 1956-59 Administrative Assistant to the Bishop; 1960-63 (Special Appointment).

**Meyer, Edward:** Transferred from United Church of Christ to Rock River Conference 1959; Elder 1959; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1960; Mrewa District Schools 1960-61; Nyadiri Teacher Training 1962-63.

**Hillendahl, Louis:** Florida Conference, 1960; Deacon 1960; Elder 1960; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1961; Principal Nyadiri schools 1960-62; Nyamuzuwe schools 1963.

**Hughes, Robert Epperson:** North Alabama Conference 1953; Deacon 1953; Elder 1955; appointments 1953-58; supernumerary 1959-60; in school 1961; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1962; Mutambara Church 1962; Social Evangelism 1963.

**James, Henry I.:** West Wisconsin Conference 1907; Deacon 1910; Elder 1913; 1907 Birchwood; transferred Wisconsin Conference 1908; 1908-09 Algoma; 1910-12 Oconto; transferred East Central Africa Mission Conference 1913; 1913-14 St. Paul's Penhalonga; 1915 Principal

Hartzell Training School; 1916-19 Mission Treasurer; 1916 Bible Dept. and Mission Press; 1917-18 Principal Central Training School Old Umtali Circuit; 1919 on furlough; 1920-22 Superintendent, Umtali District and St. Andrews Church; 1920-24 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1923-24 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1925-26 on furlough; 1927-28 Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1929-31, Superintendent, Umtali District and St. Andrews Church; 1932-34 Superintendent, Umtali District and Principal Theological School, Pastor Old Umtali, and Mission Press; 1930-34 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1935 on furlough; 1936-47 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1948-49 on furlough; 1949-51 Superintendent Mutambara; 1952 retired.

**Jangano, Elia:** On trial Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; 1948-49 Assistant in Religious Education; 1950-51 Mutambara; 1952 Mutambara East; 1954-55 Mutambara West Circuit; 1956-58 Chaplain Hospital; 1959-62 Chiduku South Circuit.

**Jijita, John:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953-56 Maramba Pfungwe Circuit; 1957-61 Nyadiri Centre; 1962-63, Rusape.

**Kajese, Amon:** Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-52 Maramba-Pfungwe-Darwin Circuit; 1953-59 Uzumba North and South Circuit; 1960-1963 Mtoko Centre.

**Kasambira, Silas:** Rhodesia Conference 1932; Deacon 1934; Elder 1936; in school 1932-33; 1934 Penhalonga; 1935-40 Gandanzara Circuit; 1941-45 Mt. Makomwe; 1945-52 Nyanyadzi; 1954-62 Mutambara West; 1963 supernumerary.

**Katsandé, Alfred:** Rhodesia Conference 1955; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1955-56 Nyamukwarara; 1957-61 Inyanga North; 1962 Umtali; 1963, studies abroad.

**Katsidzira, Benjamin:** Rhodesia Conference 1924; Deacon 1926; Elder 1930; 1924-25 Nyamukwarara; 1926 Gandanzara; 1927-31 Gandanzara Circuit; 1932-34 Mtasa Circuit; 1935-38 Maranke Circuit; 1939-48 Zimunya Circuit; 1950 Chiduku North Circuit; 1951 retired.

**Katsidzira, Hosea:** Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-35 Mangwendi Circuit; 1935-33 Headlands Circuit; 1939-61 Mrewa Circuit; 1962 retired.

**Kawadza, Jonah:** Rhodesia Conference 1935; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953-57 Mrewa East Circuit; 1958-60 Chikwizo Circuit; 1961-63, Mrewa District Superintendent.

**Kowo, Simon:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1953; Elder 1955; 1953-54 Mtoko North Circuit; 1955-56 Mtoko East Circuit; 1957-60 assistant superintendent Mtoko District; 1961 studies abroad; 1962-63, Salisbury (Highfield).

**Kuwana, Elisha L.:** Rhodesia Conference 1952; Deacon 1956; 1952-53 Nyamukwarara; 1954-55 Mrewa East Circuit; 1957-63 Mtoko East Circuit.

**Leiknes, Ashbjorn:** Norway Conference 1948; Deacon 1949; Elder 1950; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1950; 1950-51 District missionary, Nyadiri; 1952-54 Superintendent, Nyadiri District; 1955-58 on furlough; 1959 Superintendent Mutambara and Umtali-Zimunya Districts; 1960 Mutambara; 1961 Umtali (St. Andrew's); 1962 Old Umtali (Teacher Training); 1963 furlough.

**Machiri, Jonah:** Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1933; Elder 1935; in school 1933-35; 1935-37 Evangelist, Old Umtali District; 1938-39 Mukahanana Circuit; 1940-41 Teacher, Hartzell Training School, Old Umtali; 1942-48 Chiduku South Circuit; 1949-54 Chiduku North Circuit; 1949-54 Maranke South Circuit; 1955-62 Penhalonga Munda Circuit; 1963 Maranke North.

**Machiri, Patrick:** Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-33 Chiduku Circuit; 1934-35 Maranke Circuit; 1936-49 Nyakatsapa; 1950-51 Mtoko; 1952-54 Chiduku North; 1955-63 Gandanzara Circuit.

**Madzinga, Nason:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953-57 Nyadiri East Circuit; 1957-62 Maramba-Pfungwe; 1963 studies abroad.

**Makuto, Daniel:** Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; 1949-50 Chikwizo; 1951-56 Mtoko; 1957-62 Mrewa East Circuit; 1963 Mrewa.

**Mandisodza, David:** Rhodesia Conference 1921; Deacon 1921; Elder 1929; 1921 Salisbury; 1922-29 Headlands Circuit; 1930-33 Umtali; 1934 leave of absence; 1935 supernumerary; 1936 located; 1937-43 Mangweni Circuit; 1944-50 Marange Circuit; 1951 retired. 1952, deceased.

**Mandisodza, Wilson:** Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-43 Muziti; 1944-46 Nyakatsapa; 1947-49 Old Umtali Circuit; 1950-51 Nyadiri Circuit; 1952 Mrewa East Circuit; 1953-61 Mrewa North Circuit; 1962-63 Chiduku North.

**Maramba, Johnson:** Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1936; 1930 Assistant Hartzell Training School; 1931-33 Mukahanana Circuit; 1934 in school; 1935-36 Penhalonga; 1936-38 Penhalonga Circuit; 1939-49 Chiduku North; 1949-50 Nyadiri Circuit; 1950 Penhalonga-Mundenda; 1955-63 Zimunya Circuit.

**Maranke, Thomas:** Rhodesia Conference 1923; Deacon 1926; Elder 1928; 1923 Umtali; 1924-25 Mutambara Circuit; 1926-38 Zimunya Circuit; 1939-46 Maranke Circuit; 1947-48 Associate, Umtali; 1948 retired; deceased 1958.

**Maranke, Titus:** Rhodesia Conference 1924; Deacon 1926; Elder 1930; 1924-28 Salisbury; 1929-31 in school; 1932-33 Gandanzara Circuit; 1934-51 Umtali; 1952-58 Mutambara; 1959-61 Chaplain Hospital; 1962 retired.

**Matongo, Ezekiel:** Rhodesia Conference 1955; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1955-61 Maranke South Circuit; 1962-63 Nyakatsapa.

**Miller, Charles M.:** Baltimore Conference 1949; Deacon 1950; Elder 1951; 1950-52 in school; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1953; 1953-54 Mutambara District Superintendent; 1955-57 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1958 Social Centre, Umtali; 1959 on furlough; 1960-63 Umtali.

**Mparutsa, Moses:** Rhodesia Conference 1928; Deacon 1930; Elder 1933; 1928-29 Umtali; 1930-44 Nyadiri; 1945-54 Zimunya South Circuit; 1955 Assistant Superintendent Maranke-Chiduku District; 1956-57 Superintendent Maranke District; 1955-58 Maranke Central Circuit; 1959-61 Umtali; 1962-63 Chaplain, Nyadiri Hospital.

**Mudzengerere, David:** Rhodesia Conference 1960; Deacon 1961; Headlands Circuit 1960-62; Nyanyadzi, Mutambara South 1963.

**Mukombiwa, Zachariah:** Rhodesia Conference 1926; Deacon 1929; Elder 1932; 1926 Assistant Agriculture Dept. Old Umtali; 1927-28 Penhalonga; 1929-33 Headlands Circuit; 1934-38 Chiduku Circuit; 1939-46 Old Umtali Circuit; 1948 Mrewa East Circuit; 1949 retired.

**Munjoma, Enoch:** Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-53 Mtoko North Circuit; 1954-57 Zimunya Circuit; 1958-61 Mrewa Centre; 1962 retired.

**Munjoma, Samuel:** Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-48 Uzumba North Circuit; 1949 Mutambara Mission; 1950-53 Mundenda Circuit; 1954-62 Maranke North Circuit; 1963 Bulawayo.

**Murphree, Marshall J.:** Nebraska Conference 1917; Deacon 1919; Elder 1920; transferred Rhodesia Conference 1921; 1921-23 Principal Hartzell Training School, Superintendent Old Umtali District; 1924 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1925 on furlough; 1926-31 The-

ological Dept., Old Umtali; 1926 Gandanzara Circuit; 1927 Superintendent Rusape District, Mission Press; 1932 Superintendent Umtali-Rusape District, St. Andrews Church; 1933-34 on furlough; 1935-38 Superintendent Old Umtali District, Principal Hartzell Training School, Mission Press; 1939-40 Superintendent Old Umtali District and Mission; 1941-44 on furlough; 1945 Old Umtali; 1946-50 Superintendent Old Umtali District, Principal Hartzell Training School; 1951 on furlough; 1952-56 Conference Evangelist; 1957 retired.

**Noah, Raymond Eaton:** Central Kansas Conference 1944; Deacon 1950; transferred to Angola Conference 1951; Elder 1952. Served appointment in Angola 1951-61; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1962; Nyadiri District Schools 1962; Principal Nyadiri Schools 1963.

**Nyamukapa, Patron:** Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; in school 1948; 1950 North East Mtoko District; 1951 Chikwizo; 1952-56 Assistant for Literature Evangelism; 1957-58 Headlands Circuit; 1959-60 Mutambara; 1961-63 Superintendent, Mutambara District.

**Otto, Grace:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1948; Elder 1952; 1954 Mutambara Girls' School; 1955 on furlough; 1956-60 Headmistress Mutambara Girls' School; 1961 furlough; 1962-63 Mutambara Girls' School (Headmistress).

**Otto, Vivian:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1948; Elder 1952; 1953-54 Nyadiri Girls' School; 1955 on furlough; 1956 Nyadiri; 1957 Old Umtali Teacher Training; 1958-60 Mutambara Teacher Training; 1961-62 furlough; 1963 Old Umtali Teacher Training.

**O'Farrell, Thomas A.:** East Central Africa Conference 1910; Deacon and Elder 1910; 1910-1915 Mutambara Mission and Circuit; 1915-18 on furlough; 1919 Principal Central Training School, Old Umtali; 1919-20 Mrewa Mission and Circuit; 1921-23 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1924 on furlough; 1925-26 Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1927-31 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1932 on furlough; 1933-39 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1940 on furlough; 1941-47 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1948 on furlough; 1949-51 Umtali African work; 1951-52 on furlough; 1953 retired.

**Roberts, George A.:** Rhodesia Conference 1921; Deacon and Elder 1921; 1907-08 Old Umtali, assistant Agriculture Dept.; 1909-10 Old Umtali Industries; 1911 Old Umtali Agriculture and Sunday School Missionary; 1912-13 Old Umtali Agriculture Dept.; 1914 on furlough; 1915-18 Old Umtali Agriculture and Animal Husbandry; 1919-20 Mutambara Circuit; 1921 on furlough; 1922-23 Old Umtali Dept. of Agriculture and Gandanzara Circuit; 1924 Principal Hartzell Training School and Gandanzara Circuit; 1925-28 Principal Hartzell Training School and Dept. of Agriculture; 1929-30 on furlough; 1931-37 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1938 on furlough; 1939-45 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1947 on furlough; 1948-50 Principal Nyadiri Mission; 1950 retired.

**Rugayo, Jackson:** Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-48 Mutambara Circuit; 1949-51 Mrewa; 1952 Maranke North Circuit; 1953-62 Nyanyadzi Circuit; 1963, retired.

**Sells, Ernest L.:** Kentucky Conference 1921; Deacon 1925; Elder 1927; 1921-22 in school; transferred to Kansas Conference 1923; 1923-24 Winchester; 1925-27 in school; 1927-28 Elgin; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1929; 1929-32 Supt., Mrewa District; 1933-35 Superintendent Umtali-Rusape District, St. Andrews Church; 1936 on furlough; 1937-38 Superintendent Umtali District, St. Andrews Church; 1938 Supt., Mutambara District; 1939-47 Supt., Umtali District; 1948-49 on furlough; 1949-54 Umtali, St. Andrews and Circuit; 1955 on furlough; 1956-58 Principal Mrewa Mission; 1959 on furlough. 1960-63 Audio Visual, Historical for Conference.

**Stine, Ovid A.:** Southern Illinois Conference 1941; Deacon 1943; Elder 1945; 1941 Mt. Erie; 1942-44 Elisabethtown; 1943 Harrisburg "Dorris Heights"; 1946-49 in school; 1950 transferred to Rhodesia Conference; 1950-51 Mtoko Missionary; 1952-54 Supt. Mrewa District; 1955 on furlough; 1956-57 Supt. Makoni District; 1958-60 Supt. Mtoko District and Principal Nyamuzuwe Mission; 1961 furlough; 1962-63 Administrative Assistant.

**Thomas, Norman Ernest:** New York East Conference 1955; Deacon 1955; transferred to Oregon Conference 1956; Errol Heights, Portland 1956-59; in school 1960-61; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1962; Secretary of Christian Education 1962-63.

**Zuze, Solomon:** Rhodesia Conference 1954; Deacon 1956; Elder 1956; 1954-55 Mtoko North Circuit; 1956-57 Chikwizo; 1958-63 Zimunya North Circuit.

### PROBATIONERS

**Harmon, Roger:** New England Conference 1961; Deacon 1961; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1962; in school 1962. Mrewa Secondary School 1963.

**Jijita, Elliott:** Rhodesia Conference 1962; Harare Church assistant and Audio Visual Aids 1962; Old Umtali Biblical Institute, 1963.

**Kapenzi, Geoffrey:** Rhodesia Conference 1960; study overseas 1960-1963.

**Kurewa, John:** Rhodesia Conference 1960; Chikwizo Circuit 1960; study overseas 1961-63.

**Munjoma, John:** Rhodesia Conference 1962; Ehnes Memorial Church, Associate 1962-63.

**Muziti, J.:** Rhodesia Conference 1962; Inyanga North Circuit 1962-1963.



**1963-1964 CONFERENCE CALENDAR**  
*Part XI*  
**The 1963 Conference Calendar**

**MAY**

- 24 Aldersgate—"Experience of John Wesley"  
26 Wesley Sunday (Trinity Sunday)

**JUNE**

- 2 Whit Sunday  
14-16 Mtoko-Nyadiri District Conference  
16 Harvest Sunday  
21-23 Umtali South District Conference  
28-30 Christian Convention—North

**JULY**

- 4-8 Wabvuwi Annual Meeting—South (Denzva)  
8-9 M.Y.F. Executive  
21 Ngariende Sunday  
24-29 R.R.W. Annual Meeting—North

**AUGUST**

- 4 Girl Guides' Sunday  
11 Student Loan Sunday  
16-18 Mrewa District Conference  
26-September 1 Arts Workshop—Old Umtali  
28-31 R.R.W. Executive

**SEPTEMBER**

- 3-8 R.R.W. Annual Meeting—South  
26-29 Wabvuwi Annual Meeting—North  
15 M.Y.F. Sunday  
27-29 Mtasa-Makoni District Conference

**OCTOBER**

- 6 World Wide Communion Sunday  
7-9 Junior Ministers' Fellowship—Epworth  
9-17 Pastors' School—Epworth  
27 Temperance Sunday

**NOVEMBER**

- 3 Hospital Sunday  
10 Laymen's Sunday

## DECEMBER

- 1 First Sunday in Advent
- 25 Christmas Day
- 31 Watch Night

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## JANUARY

- 6-10 R.R.W. Leaders' Training—Old Umtali
- 8-11 Committee on Coordination
- 13-20 M.Y.F. Annual Conference—Old Umtali
- 26 Sunday School Sunday
- 27-Feb. 2 Christian Education Week

## FEBRUARY

- 2 Babyfold Sunday
- 12 Ash Wednesday ( the beginning of Lent)
- 14 World Day of Prayer

## MARCH

- 9-15 Christian Home and Family Week
- 22 Palm Sunday
- 27 Good Friday
- 29 Easter

## APRIL

- 3-4 Wabvuwi Executive—South; Hilltop, Umtali

## MAY

- 11-17 Annual Conference—Mrewa
- 24 Trinity Sunday



UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT

STATISTICAL FORM: RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

	Mutambara Centre	Mutambara West	Mutambara East	Nyanya-dzi	Maranke South	Maranke Centre	Maranke North	Zimonya South	Zimonya North	Hilltop	Total
D. Total Teachers Salaries	£ 6087	£42532					£26038				£74657
E. Total Expenses											
(1) Budget											
(2) Buildings											
<b>MEDICAL</b>											
35 No. of Units											
A. Hospitals		1									1
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres		5									5
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		1156									1156
(2) Total No. of days in Hospital		9260									9260
B. Clinic Patients		5127									5127
C. Daily Treatments		18302									18302
D. No. of Maternity Patients		270									270
38 Finances (in dollars)											
A. Local Support											
(1) On Budget	£ 5125										£ 5125
(2) On Buildings	£ 600										£ 600
B. Government Support											
(1) On Budget	£ 3900										£ 3900
(2) On Buildings											
C. World Service Support											
(1) Budget	£ 6340										£ 6340
(2) Buildings											
D. Total Workers Salaries	£ 4455										£ 4455
E. Total Expenses											
(1) On Budget	£13185										£13185
(2) On Buildings	£ 600										£ 600
<b>CHURCH FINANCES</b>											
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											
<b>PROPERTIES</b>											
51 No. of Church Buildings											
A. Permanent	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	3	1	15
B. Semi-Permanent		1	4		3	4		1	2		11
C. Temporary		1									1
52 No of Parsonages	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	9



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MUTASA MAKONI DISTRICT

	Ganda- nzara	Penha- longa	Chiduku North	Old Umtali	Chiduku South	Nyaka- tsapa	Inyanga	Busape	Busape English	TOTALS
D. Total Teachers Salaries			£19639	£14569		£28227				£64245
E. Total Expenses										
(1) Budget										
(2) Buildings										
<b>MEDICAL</b>										
35 No. of Units										
A. Hospitals				1						1
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres										
C. Maternity Centres				1						1
36 Medical Staff										
A. Doctors				1						1
B. Nurses				1						1
C. Nurses in Training										
D. Others				6						6
37 Patients										
A. Hospitalized										
(1) Total No. of Patients				1038						1038
(2) Total No. of days in Hospital				6497						6497
B. Clinic Patients				2152						2152
C. Daily Treatments				16716						16716
D. No. of Maternity Patients				312						312
38 Finances (in dollars)										
A. Local Support										
(1) On Budget				£ 1640						£ 1640
(2) On Buildings										
B. Government Support										
(1) On Budget				£ 836						£ 836
(2) On Buildings										
C. World Service Support										
(1) Budget				£ 1239						£ 1239
(2) Buildings										
D. Total Workers Salaries				£ 1679						£ 1679
E. Total Expenses										
(1) On Budget				£ 2541						£ 2541
(2) On Buildings										
<b>CHURCH FINANCES</b>										
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		3								£3
46 Buildings and Repairs	1050			59						1109
47 Other Purposes				175						
48 Total Contributions of Local Church (39-47)										2038
49 Total Amount received by Pastors										2045
50 Total amount rec. from outside local Churches										
A. From Conference Benevolences										
B. From World Service Funds										
<b>PROPERTIES</b>										
51 No. of Church Buildings										
A. Permanent	9	5	4	3	4	1	1	2		29
B. Semi-Permanent	2	8	5		8	1				24
C. Temporary		3	3	1		8	4	3		22
52 No. of Parsonages	1		1	1	1	2		1		7

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MREWA DISTRICT

	Salisbury	Mrewa Centre	Mrewa East	Mrewa South	Mrewa West	Mrewa North	Chikoro- Tanda	Headlands	TOTALS
<b>WORKERS</b>									
1 Members of Conference									
A. Under appointment									
(1) Africans	3	2		1		1	1		8
(2) Missionaries	5	2						1	8
B. Others									
(1) Africans			1					1	2
(2) Missionaries									
2 On Trial									
3 Missionaries	8	5						1	14
4 Other Missionary Workers									
5 Other Salaried Pastoral Workers									
A. Approved Supply Pastors									
B. Local Preachers and Evangelists			1						1
6 Other Christian Life Workers					1			1	2
7 Volunteer Workers			1			1		1	3
A. Local Preachers	28	14	49	30	28	36	28	33	246
B. Exhorters and Class Leaders	22	39	60	32	42	56	20	48	319
<b>CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY</b>									
8 Baptised Children (under 12 years)	210	180	250	90	60	70	62	100	1022
9 Enrolled Beginners	280	100	80	58	160	89	80	89	936
10 Preparatory Members	150	48	70	32	45	65	28	40	478
11 Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	640	328	400	180	265	224	170	229	2436
12 Full Members Enrolled	340	240	380	190	199	290	240	380	2259
13 Christian Families	77	74	208	60	80	180	90	160	929
14 Members Men's Society	58	10	23	24	30	50	30	36	261
15 Members Women's Society	78	121	250	131	90	199	88	188	1145
16 Members Youth Society	78	45	36	15	12	110	13	29	388
17 Number of Preaching Places	11	3	15	9	10	10	7	9	74
18 Number Sunday Schools	14	2	16	10	10	12	8	10	82
19 Number Teachers & Officers in S.S.	33	23	60	29	30	38	22	42	277
20 Number Pupils in Sunday Schools	723	330	1415	300	400	670	360	680	4878
21 Average Attendance	550	300	1200	270	380	650	340	665	4355
<b>PASTORAL ACTIVITIES</b>									
22 Children Baptised	47	18	57	16	28	36	40	51	293
23 Adults Baptised	12	32	18	6	12	9	30	40	159
24 Beginners Received	55	60	18	28	39	6	24	22	252
25 Prep. Members Received	29	41	8	16	18	8	25	14	159
26 Full Members from Probation	29	72	7	9	18	40	23	22	220
27 Full Members Received by Transfer	21	32	6	6	4	4	4	11	88
28 Full Members removed by Transfer	10	34	6	4	4	5	7	6	76
29 Full Members who died		1	6	2	2	4	4	3	22
30 Christian Marriages Performed	5	4	10	3	4	6	7	2	41
<b>EDUCATIONAL</b>									
31 No. of schools									37
32 No. of Teachers in Schools									203
33 No. of Students (total)									7915
A. Male									4167
B. Female									3748
34 Finances (in dollars)									
A. Local Support									
(1) On Budget			£ 1562				£ 145	£ 235	£ 1942
(2) On Buildings			£ 2000						£ 2000
B. Government Support									
(1) On Budget			£ 1209						£ 1209
(2) On Buildings									
C. World Service Support									
(1) On Budget			£ 168						£ 168
(2) On Buildings		£130000	£27761						

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MREWA DISTRICT

	Salisbury	Mrewa Centre £ 9823	Mrewa East	Mrewa South	Mrewa West	Mrewa North	Chikore-Tanda	Headlands	TOTALS
D. Total Teachers Salaries								£ 8529	£36290
E. Total Expenses									
(1) Budget			£31205				£ 145	£ 8764	£40114
(2) Buildings			£ 2000						
<b>MEDICAL</b>									
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									
<b>CHURCH FINANCES</b>									
39 Ministerial Support									
A. Pastors	£ 182	£ 202	£ 53	£ 35	£ 44	£ 35	£ 38	£ 72	£ 661
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									
<b>PROPERTIES</b>									
51 No. of Church Buildings									
A. Permanent	1	1	5	1		1	1	2	12
B. Semi-Permanent			4	2	3	3	2	3	17
C. Temporary			2	1	2	2	2	2	11
52 No of Parsonages		1		1		1	1	1	5



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	MTOKO NYADIRI DISTRICT									TOTALS
	Chikwizo	Mtoko South	Mtoko East	Mtoko North	Mtoko West	Nyadiri Centre	Nyadiri Circuit	Maramba Pfungwe	Uzumba	
<b>WORKERS</b>										
1 Members of Conference										
A. Under appointment										
(1) Africans		1		1	1	2	1	1	1	9
(2) Missionaries						3				3
B. Others										
(1) Africans				1				1		
(2) Missionaries										2
2 On Trial										
3 Missionaries				2		2		2		26
4 Other Missionary Workers										3
5 Other Salaried Pastoral Workers										
A. Approved Supply Pastors	1									1
B. Local Preachers and Evangelists										
6 Other Christian Life Workers										
7 Volunteer Workers										
A. Local Preachers	3	37	18	19	21	8	35	25	20	186
B. Exhorters and Class Leaders	3	76	42	76	21	44	75	63	35	435
<b>CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY</b>										
8 Baptised Children (under 12 years)	36	85	75	22	174	96	253	65	15	821
9 Enrolled Beginners	112	1265	97	380	188	89	283	499	61	2974
10 Preparatory Members	72	79	40	238	166	115	287	141	22	1160
11 Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	220	1429	212	640	528	300	823	705	98	4955
12 Full Members Enrolled	65	430	476	402	294	206	406	158	502	2939
13 Christian Families	15	45	55	47	34	48	50	33	65	392
14 Members Men's Society	6	39	32	33	27	18	30	18	47	250
15 Members Women's Society	25	290	191	227	161	77	394	44	199	1608
16 Members Youth Society	17	215	19	50	17	15	400	12		745
17 Number of Preaching Places	5	10	9	14	9	9	8	8	9	91
18 Number Sunday Schools	4	15	13	13	9	7	7	13	9	90
19 Number Teachers & Officers in S.S.	11	76	16	53	38	29	47	24	52	346
20 Number Pupils in Sunday Schools	198	814	500	1074	332	649	697	901	780	5945
21 Average Attendance	172	670	350	826		582	555	688	564	4407
<b>PASTORAL ACTIVITIES</b>										
22 Children Baptised	8	60	55	8	17	7	47	12	15	229
23 Adults Baptised	8	33	32	23	34	59	60	20	9	278
24 Beginners Received	3	39	21	39	34	7	38	275		246
25 Prep. Members Received	3	18	33	21	35	6	156	28		200
26 Full Members from Probation	7	24	43	17	26	59	56	20	21	273
27 Full Members Received by Transfer		12	12	7	11	8	18	4	9	81
28 Full Members removed by Transfer	4	10	1	0	12	13	24	6	11	81
29 Full Members who died		6	5	0	2	0	3	1	4	21
30 Christian Marriages Performed		5	11	8	5	4	1	4		38
<b>EDUCATIONAL</b>										
31 No. of schools	3	10	9	11	8	3	6	6	7	63
32 No. of Teachers in Schools										318
33 No. of Students (total)										13655
A. Male										7756
B. Female										5899
34 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) On Budget										
(2) On Buildings										
						17000				

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	Chikwizo	Mtoko South	Mtoko East	Mtoko North	Mtoko West	Nyadiri Centre £ 9141	Nyadiri Circuit	Maramba Pfungwe	Uzumba	TOTALS
D. Total Teachers Salaries										
E. Total Expenses										
(1) Budget										
(2) Buildings										
<b>MEDICAL</b>										
35 No. of Units										
A. Hospitals							1			1
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres							6			6
C. Maternity Centres							1			1
36 Medical Staff							1			1
A. Doctors							3			3
B. Nurses							30			30
C. Nurses in Training							75			75
D. Others							10			10
37 Patients										
A. Hospitalized										
(1) Total No. of Patients							2899			2899
(2) Total No. of days in Hospital							42709			42709
B. Clinic Patients							11804			11804
C. Daily Treatments							182073			182073
D. No. of Maternity Patients							608			608
38 Finances (in dollars)										
A. Local Support										
(1) On Budget							10723			10723
(2) On Buildings										
B. Government Support										
(1) On Budget							32450			32450
(2) On Buildings										
C. World Service Support										
(1) Budget							32110			32110
(2) Buildings							27020			27020
D. Total Workers Salaries							18345			18345
E. Total Expenses										
(1) On Budget							69216			69216
(2) On Buildings							27020			27020
<b>CHURCH FINANCES</b>										
39 Ministerial Support										
A. Pastors										
B. District Superintendents										
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			£ 1600	£ 100					120	1820
47 Other Purposes										
48 Total Contributions of Local Church (39-47)										1912
49 Total Amount received by Pastors										
50 Total amount rec. from outside local Churches										2236
A. From Conference Benevolences										
B. From World Service Funds										
<b>PROPERTIES</b>										
51 No. of Church Buildings										
A. Permanent			1	2	2	4	2	1	1	4
B. Semi-Permanent	1	5	1	10	5				3	
C. Temporary		1	7	1	2	4	7	3	1	
52 No of Parsonages	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	

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STATISTICAL REPORT — DISTRICT TOTALS

	Umtali South	Mutasa- Makoni	Mrewa	Nyadiri Inyanga	TOTALS
<b>WORKERS</b>					
1 Members of Conference					
A. Under appointment					63
(1) Africans	11	8	8	9	39
(2) Missionaries	4	5	8	3	24
B. Others					
(1) Africans	5	1	2		9
(2) Missionaries				2	7
2 On Trial		3			16
3 Missionaries	16	23	14	26	114
4 Other Missionary Workers				3	
5 Other Salaried Pastoral Workers					
A. Approved Supply Pastors	3			1	12
B. Local Preachers and Evangelists			1		1
6 Other Christian Life Workers		2	2		4
7 Volunteer Workers			3		
A. Local Preachers	267	225	246	186	924
B. Exhorters and Class Leaders	496	399	319	435	1649
<b>CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY</b>					
8 Baptised Children (under 12 years)	4522	2841	1022	821	9206
9 Enrolled Beginners	4032	1000	936	2974	8942
10 Preparatory Members	1405	1482	478	1160	4525
11 Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	9959	5323	2436	4955	22673
12 Full Members Enrolled	4458	4118	2259	2939	13774
13 Christian Families	897	1143	929	392	3361
14 Members Men's Society	469	357	261	250	1337
15 Members Women's Society	1795	1755	1145	1608	6303
16 Members Youth Society	639	853	388	745	2625
17 Number of Preaching Places	66	76	74	91	307
18 Number Sunday Schools	97	77	82	90	348
19 Number Teachers & Officers in S.S.	365	238	277	346	1226
20 Number Pupils in Sunday Schools	6499	3245	4878	5945	20567
21 Average Attendance	4459	2132	4355	4407	15353
<b>PASTORAL ACTIVITIES</b>					
22 Children Baptised	626	380	293	229	1528
23 Adults Baptised	499	197	159	278	1133
24 Beginners Received	975	377	252	246	1850
25 Prep. Members Received	374	651	159	200	1384
26 Full Members from Probation	341	308	220	273	1142
27 Full Members Received by Transfer	179	77	88	81	425
28 Full Members removed by Transfer	182	306	76	81	645
29 Full Members who died	36	30	22	21	109
30 Christian Marriages Performed	148	78	41	38	305
<b>EDUCATIONAL</b>					
31 No. of schools	65	41	37	63	206
32 No. of Teachers in Schools	357	211	203	318	1089
33 No. of Students (total)	13566	7224	7915	13655	42360
A. Male	7381	4165	4167	7756	23469
B. Female	6185	3059	3748	5899	18891
34 Finances (in dollars)					
A. Local Support					
(1) On Budget	£ 8070	£ 9768	£ 1942	£ 9148	£ 28928
(2) On Buildings		£ 100	£ 2000		£ 2100
B. Government Support					
(1) On Budget	£ 81334		£ 1209		
(2) On Buildings					
C. World Service Support					
(1) On Budget			£ 168		
(2) On Buildings					

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	Umtali South	Mutasa- Makoni	Mrewa	Nyadiri Mtoko	TOTALS
D. Total Teachers Salaries	£ 74657	£ 64245	£ 36290		£258855
E. Total Expenses					
(1) Budget			£ 40114		
(2) Buildings					
<b>MEDICAL</b>					
35 No. of Units					
A. Hospitals	1	1		1	3
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres	5			6	11
C. Maternity Centres	1	1		1	3
36 Medical Staff					
A. Doctors	1	1		3	5
B. Nurses	1	1		30	32
C. Nurses in Training				75	75
D. Others	7	6		10	23
37 Patients					
A. Hospitalized					
(1) Total No. of Patients	1156	1038		2899	5093
(2) Total No. of days in Hospital	9260	6497		42709	58466
B. Clinic Patients	5127	2152		11804	19083
C. Daily Treatments	18302	16716		182073	217091
D. No. of Maternity Patients	270	312		608	1190
38 Finances (in dollars)					
A. Local Support					
(1) On Budget	£ 1814	£ 1640		£ 3788	£ 7242
(2) On Buildings	£ 600				
B. Government Support					
(1) On Budget	£ 3900	£ 836		£ 32490	£ 37186
(2) On Buildings					
C. World Service Support					
(1) Budget	£ 6340	£ 1239		£ 32110	£ 39689
(2) Buildings				£ 27020	£ 27020
D. Total Workers Salaries	£ 4455	£ 1679		£ 18345	£ 24479
E. Total Expenses					
(1) On Budget	£ 13185	£ 2541		£ 69216	£ 84942
(2) On Buildings	£ 600			£ 27020	£ 27620
<b>CHURCH FINANCES</b>					
39 Ministerial Support					
A. Pastors					£ 9111
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		£ 3			
46 Buildings and Repairs		£ 1109		£ 1820	
47 Other Purposes					
48 Total Contributions of Local Church (39-47)	£ 2186	£ 2038	£ 1302	£ 1912	£ 7535
49 Total Amount received by Pastors	£ 2648	£ 2405	£ 1822	£ 2236	£ 9111
50 Total amount rec. from outside local Churches					
A. From Conference Benevolences					
B. From World Service Funds					£ 3142
<b>PROPERTIES</b>					
51 No. of Church Buildings					209
A. Permanent	15	29	12	17	73
B. Semi-Permanent	11	24	17	15	67
C. Temporary	1	22	11	35	69
52 No. of Parsonages	9	7	5	11	32



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