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Dr. Charles W. Carter Oriental Missionary Society Box 74 Taichung 400 Taiwan, Republic of China

Dear Dr. Carter:

Your letters have been on my desk for some time. I will write a few lines before beginning the headaching task of preparing Secretary-Treasurer reports.

Thanks for your suggestions with regard to improving the effeciency of operation of the WTS machine. I think they are well taken, and shall expect to pass most of them on at the conference.

We are going to miss you at Nashville. It's toobad you can't be twins!

I have a list of 84 new members who have been processed this year. This is very commendable. Much of the credit, of course, goes to you.

As for finances, without haveing balanced the books, my checkbook indicates a present balance of \$1165.93. A little money is still coming in. Many members, 146 if I count correctly, have not paid their dues this year. Thiese include left-over dead wood from previous years. II just sent another letter to them about two weeks ago. Blackstone evidently sent a form letter out, too. Most every mail includes a few responses. It looks as though some 125 will not have paid by the end of the fiscal year.

I am still intending to resign/my office as Secretary-Treasurer. I could not handly it while abroad. Other

Other things demanded my attention yesterday; I am writing again while my wife gets Sunday dinner.

We still plan to come to Taiwan in February. Are looking forward to seeing both of you there. Thanks to both of you for your letter including suggestions of what to bring.

As for my courses there, various suggestions have been ANNUAL CONFERENCE THE FIRST WEEKEND OF EACH NOVEMBER

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As for my courses there verious suggestions

made. I believe the latest are that I teach the Major Prophets and Old Testament Theology. They have mentioned a short course at a ministers' conference, too. From here, this seems rather light, but I think their tendency will be to add to rather than diminish from my load. I don't want to be busy with teaching all the time anyway, as there are other things we shall want to do—if I know Thy MIKAW YUVARKA.

It is now the end of the day, and inspiration is low. Guess I'd better go to bed and get some sleep!

Cordially,

W. Ralph Thompson.