

WESLEYAN THEOLOGICAL SOCIETY
Report of the President to the Society
Frank G. Carver, November 6, 1987

Since the close of the twenty-second annual meeting of this society at Seattle Pacific University, November 7-8, 1986, it has been my privilege to serve as your president. My first official duty was to chair a meeting of the Executive Committee in Seattle to get the new year underway.

Along with the Executive Committee, I attended the March 31-April 2, 1987 Annual Convention of the Christian Holiness Association in Hershey, Pennsylvania. During the Convention, the Executive Committee met in two sessions to care for the midyear business of the Society. One decision made was to publish the next cumulative index of the Journal, normally published every ten years and due in 1986, in connection with the Twenty-Fifty Anniversary of the Wesleyan Theological Society in 1989. At the CHA Convention I reported in person and in writing to the Board of Administration of the Christian Holiness Association. Also I read a paper entitled, "Biblical Foundations of the 'Secondness' of Entire Sanctification" for the WTS seminar conducted on Wednesday and Thursday, April 1-2. This paper will be published in the next issue of the Journal.

During the course of the year, I have kept in touch with the officers of the Society and with other individuals as necessary to conduct the affairs of the Society. Along with the activities and responsibilities of this day, my final task was to meet with the Executive Committee for several hours last evening to care for the business necessary for the ongoing work of the Society and for this, our twenty-third annual meeting. The content of that meeting will be reflected in the announcements and recommendations to come later in this business meeting.

It has been a joy this year to work with the Executive Committee-- with Howard A. Snyder, First Vice-President, who has labored much to give us the fine program of this year; with Luke Keefer, Second Vice-President, who is underway in preparing our program for the November 4-5, 1988 meeting in San Diego; with William (Bill) M. Arnett, who has put in longer hours than any of us with admirable dedication in caring for much of the detailed work of the Society; ^{with} Melvin Dieter, who has made his own unique contribution as Promotion Secretary; and ^{with} Alex Deasley, Editor of the Journal, who has made an Herculean and successful effort to get current with the publication schedule of the Journal.

As I turn the Office of President over to Howard Snyder with the close of the day's activities, I want to say "Thank You" for the honor of serving you in this capacity.