

STANDING RULES

DELEGATE'S CREDENTIALS

It shall be the duty of pastors to forward to the Conference Secretary by June 15th the church delegate's credentials from his charge.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS

All ministers of the Atlantic Conference shall complete an annual report form (Ministerial Character). It shall be filled out in duplicate and mailed to the Superintendent's office by June 15th. One copy shall be returned to the minister for his own records, and the other shall be forwarded to the Pastoral Relations Committee.

CONFERENCE REPORTS

All reports shall be handed to the Conference Secretary in typewritten form and on 8½" x 11" paper. They should be double spaced and carefully checked for errors. No reports shall be received which have not been officially audited.

PASTORAL CALL MEETING

The meeting for pastoral call shall be held in that week between the first and second Sundays of May.

TENURE OF PASTORATE

When churches are involved in pastoral change, the tenure of the outgoing pastor shall end on the last Sunday prior to

NEW PASTORATE

- A. Churches calling a pastor to serve them shall pay, in addition to salary, his moving expenses and any other costs involved in moving; such as, visas, passports, travel, etc.
- B. Churches shall begin payment of salary to their new pastors on the first Sunday of camp meeting. Churches holding services locally during the two Sundays of camp are encouraged to arrange for a pulpit supply.

PASTOR'S VACATION

Each pastor shall be entitled to a minimum of two weeks' vacation with pay. No church shall be expected to pay vacation salary to both the pastor terminating his relationship and the new pastor. When pastors move, it is understood that they shall receive their vacation.

PASTORAL CALLING LIST

Each pastor shall prepare a calling list of all homes connected with the church and Sunday School, listing the relationship they hold to the church, names and addresses by street and numbers where applicable. This list shall be used in work in the pastorate, and then given, with any helpful notations, to his successor on the field.

PASTORS TAKING OUTSIDE ENGAGEMENTS

- A. All pastors should seek the counsel of the church advisory committee when taking meetings or speaking engagements that will take him away from his pastorate for an extended period of days. In order to insure the best interest of the local church and conference, it is recommended that no pastor be away for more than one revival meeting, or at the most, three Sundays during any one Conference year.
- B. When pastors leave their charge to hold revival services, they shall be responsible for their own pulpit supply during the Sundays they are absent.

PASTORS' QUARTERLY REPORTS

All pastors shall report quarterly to the Conference Superintendent on blanks provided by the Conference office.

MISSIONARY NEWS

Bethesda Mission
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Dear Highway Readers,

Greetings from Rhodesia. As we write this we are conscious that many of you are at Beulah again to enjoy the blessings of another Camp. We are praying that this will be a good year.

It has been some time since we wrote you and we are thinking that perhaps you might like to hear about our most recent beginnings at Victoria Falls Township. Just over a year ago a young man called Simon found the Lord while a patient here. After returning to his work at the Falls he came back several times to the Mission to learn more of the Lord and eventually asked if we couldn't have services in town so that others could hear. We felt this to be the Lord's leading so, he went ahead and reserved us a hall for every Tuesday evening, rent free. For a few weeks after services began, interest seemed small except for children who came to see what was going on and were quite unruly. However, just as we were beginning to feel it a wasted effort, for some unknown reason (perhaps someone at home prayed) interest picked up. Less children come now but those who do are reasonably well behaved and the male attendance averages 50 - 60 every night (Tuesday). Many have indicated a need of prayer, others have come forward and repented of their sins. Four have asked to be baptised. We have no worker here so a follow-up program is lacking but we do praise God for this beginning. Also we are able to get into the Government School for a weekly Bible Class for all students who are in any way connected with our church. We have nearly 40 in this class. Pray for this work at the Falls. A full time worker would be a great asset. Sin and vice is rampant and only the grace of God can work a change here. We would request that this African Town be put on your prayer list. Might I add that Simon has never wavered or missed a service except when working. Praise God for hungry hearts and open doors. May God bless you all.

Happy In His Service,
Gene & Cheryl Hudson & family.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Local churches of the Atlantic Conference shall hold their annual business meeting between the first and second Sundays of June.

EXPENSES OF DELEGATES TO CONFERENCE

Local churches are encouraged to give reasonable financial assistance to their delegate (delegates) and pastor when representing them at annual Conference sessions.

UNSATISFACTORY REPORTS

When ministers submit reports which are not satisfactory, they shall be asked to appear before the Committee on Ministerial Report for further questioning. When a church's budget is not paid in full, the pastor and the elected delegate of that church shall appear before this committee.

LIST OF CHURCH OFFICERS

Following the annual business meeting of the local church, the clerk shall forward to the Conference office, the names and addresses of the church clerk, treasurer, missionary president, Wesleyan Youth president and the members of the church board of trustees.

New Dimensions In Holiness - - OUTREACH

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IN THE DAYS OF THE WESLEYS God raised up a standard against the wickedness of the times. The standard had an outreach. At times in the Holiness Movement the "in-reach" has been accented to the neglect of the outreach. We have often been hesitant in opening dialogue with the world and with those who disagree with us for fear of compromise and lest we soil our garments. Jesus entered into dialogue with the world and commanded a confidence whereby He was heard, as in the case of the Samaritan woman at Jacob's Well. The standard of holiness must be uplifted against the wickedness of our age without compromise. But we can have holiness without compromise and still be sadly lacking in outreach. The holiness which the Wesleys proclaimed maintained both dialogue and contact with the world. If our holiness is to have an effective outreach, it must be "outbound" rather than "inbound."

The holiness of Pentecost broke through the walls of an upper room and went to the marketplace. It is quite possible to treat holiness as did the man with the one talent who hid it in an effort to save it, and thereby lost it. We do not save holiness by defending it, but by expending it in an outreach of love toward others.

The holiness proclaimed by the Wesleys, which we accept as scriptural, had both "inreach" and "outreach." It had "inreach" for heart purity through the atoning merits of the blood of Christ. It also had outreach not only for saving the souls of men but likewise for the alleviation of every economic, social, and racial injustice that prevailed in that day.

We are beginning to discover the fact that we must earn the right to be heard before we can be heard. Unless we establish confidence through contact, our words are almost certain to fall on deaf ears.

The challenge for outreach on the part of God's people is unprecedented in human history. In the population explosion of the world, 2.14 babies are born every second, which means approximately two and three quarter million new souls in the world every fifteen days to be evangelized.

The outreach to these increasing millions of the earth's population must be made through every scientific means of communication at our command. The printed page, radio, television, and tel-star. We must utilize the increasing swift modes of transportation to speed the gospel message to the ends of the earth. We must make new contacts for Christ on college and university campuses, places of business, amusement and recreation centers. We must be willing to pay the price and we must look for and expect a rebirth in the Holiness Movement. In this crisis hour of human history we must seek and obtain new dimensions in holiness to meet the new dimensions of the age in which we live.

We will do well to pattern our contacts after the manner of the great apostle to the Gentiles who said: "For though I be free from all men, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more. Unto the Jews I became a Jew, that I might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain them that are under the law: to them that are without law, as without law (being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ), that I might gain them that are without law. To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some" (I Cor. 9:19-22).