

SATURDAY MORNING, JUNE 23

resolution which is now being implemented in the 17/76 Achievement Fund Campaign. He invited the Ninth General Synod to make the affirmation by singing a song especially written for this purpose by the Rev. Purd E. Dietz, Bloomfield, N.J. Led by the Rev. James H. Hargett the delegates and visitors joined in the singing of "Achievement 17/76" based on "They'll Know We are Christians."

We are one in our striving, We are one in our aim,
We are one in Achievement, For our goals are the same,
And we're sure that Equality's the name of the game.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love,
Yes, they'll know we're Christians by our love.

We will give with conviction,
To the A.—M.—A. Six,
We will share with all others,
In the World Mission Mix,
And we'll cheer for Achievement goals in "17/76."

13. Resolution on Cambodia Bombing

Moderator Byrd recognized the Rev. Henry Rust (Mass.) who proposed that the General Synod adopt a statement on the bombing of Cambodia by United States military forces. He said that on Monday, June 25, 1973, the Eagleton Amendment, which states in part:

"None of the funds herein appropriated under this Act or heretofore appropriated under this Act or heretofore appropriated under any other Act may be expended to support directly or indirectly combat activities in, over, or from off the shores of Cambodia or in or over Laos by United States forces,"

will come before the House of Representatives for action. Less than two weeks ago this amendment was passed by the U.S. Senate by an overwhelming majority. It is critically important that our Congressional representatives hear from the Ninth General Synod before this vote is taken on Monday, June 25, 1973.

Mr. Rust moved the following resolution on the bombing in Cambodia:

"The Ninth General Synod of the United Church of Christ, meeting in St. Louis, Mo., believing that there is no moral basis to continue bombing in Cambodia, urges Congress to cut off funds for all U.S. military operations, direct or indirect in, over and from off the shores of Southeast Asia, and requests the Secretary of the United Church of Christ to immediately communicate this to the members of the House of Representatives."

The motion was seconded and there was extended discussion, including the observation that it is important for the General Synod to take action today so that it can be reported to the members of the House of Representatives before the vote is taken on Monday.

A motion was made and seconded to refer the resolution to a small group. After debate, the motion was put to a vote and was defeated.

It was

73-GS-15 VOTED: The General Synod adopts the resolution on Cambodia bombing.

14. Primary Election for the Executive Council

Secretary Evans announced that the ballots were ready for the primary election for the Executive Council.

Moderator Byrd recognized the Rev. Glenn E. Baumann (Mich.) who moved, and after a second, it was

73-GS-16 VOTED: The General Synod defers the primary election for the Executive Council until Sunday evening, June 24.

15. Instructions to the Small Groups

The Rev. Jack E. Yates reviewed the small group process and gave additional instructions to assist the small groups in completing their work.

16. Assignment of new issues to Small Groups

The Moderator recognized Mr. Kenneth P. Stewart who reported on behalf of the business committee the referral of issues presented on Friday, June 22, as new business:

The Burundi and Rwanda Conflicts referred to small group #4 on Africa.

Worship referred to small group #5 on Task Force on Leadership Development.

Alternatives to Youth Incarceration referred to small group #37 on Criminal Justice and Penal Reform.

Child Development Program and Services referred to small group #11 on Child Development.

Black Church Empowerment referred to small group #21 on Black Ministries.

The Wilmington Crisis referred to small group #22 on Criminal Justice and Human Rights.

Household Workers referred to small group #30 on Economic Justice.

Pension Supplements referred to small group #33 on Pension Supplements.

Process of Priority Budgeting referred to small group #35 on Priority Budgeting.

Declaration of Interdependence referred to small group #36 on Urban Priorities.

U.S. Government Experimentation with Human Life referred to small group #38 on Human Experiments.

Drug Abuse referred to small group #39 on Drugs.

Sale of Arms by U.S. to Middle East referred to small group #40 on Sale of Arms by U.S. to Middle East.

17. New Business

Moderator Byrd called for new business by title only, the text of the matters to be given to the business committee for referral to the appropriate small groups. The following new business was received:

Recommendation concerning study of so-called charismatic movement.

Home rule for the District of Columbia

Recommendation on political prisoners in South Vietnam
Recommendation that a world response to Shalom be developed

Focus and orientation of proposed center for social action
Resolution responding to the special needs of gay or bisexual ministers

Resolution on Biblical translation

Resolution to request the Executive Council to consider holding future General Synods on college campuses and report back to the next General Synod

Recommendation on behalf of the visitors caucus

18. Announcements

The Moderator recognized Secretary Evans who made announcements. Mr. Evans stated that Elaine Anton Gillette