

## TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 1

graph 62 of the Constitution of the United Church of Christ and the deletion of paragraphs 64, 65 and 66 from the Constitution. The motion was seconded. It was

75-GS-80 VOTED: The Tenth General Synod amends the Constitution of the United Church of Christ, paragraph 62 to read:

"62 There shall be Instrumentalities established by the General Synod, with purposes and organization as described in the Bylaws of the United Church of Christ, to discharge responsibilities in the following areas of need or concern:

- a. social education and action, with the name Office for Church in Society;
- b. development of ordained and lay leadership;
- c. public relations and mass communication, with the name Office of Communication;
- d. stewardship, with the name Stewardship Council

Assignment of responsibilities shall be determined from time to time by the General Synod and its Executive Council. Correlation shall be as provided heretofore in this Article and hereafter in this Constitution."

Paragraphs 64, 65, and 66 to be deleted and the Tenth General Synod directs the Secretary of the Church to transmit such amendments to the Conferences for their approval.

### 20. EDITORIAL AUTHORIZATION

The Moderator recognized Mr. Eaton. On behalf of the business committee Mr. Eaton moved the adoption of the recommendation of the Executive Council to give the Secretary of the Church editorial authorization. The motion was seconded. It was

75-GS-81 VOTED: The General Synod authorizes the Secretary of the Church to arrange the sequence of the paragraphs within the Bylaws of the United Church of Christ in the proper order and to renumber the paragraphs of the Constitution and Bylaws of the United Church of Christ so as to make all numbers consecutive and clear, after any amendments of the Constitution and the Bylaws adopted by the Tenth General Synod.

### 21. AMENDMENT TO BYLAW 174

The Moderator recognized Mr. Eaton. On behalf of the business committee Mr. Eaton referred the delegates to a motion regarding Bylaw 174 introduced at the time of new business: "The Tenth General Synod instructs the Executive Council to draft an amendment to Bylaw 174, granting Associate Delegate status to the chief executive officer of each academy and college belonging to the Council for Higher Education, or the representative of such officer; such amendment to be submitted by the Tenth General Synod to the Eleventh General Synod as provided in Article X of the Constitution." On behalf of the business committee Mr. Eaton moved an amendment to the motion to refer the motion regarding Bylaw 174 amendment and the Executive Council recommendation for Bylaw 174 amendment to the Executive Council to consider appropriate granting of Bylaw status in Bylaw 174. The motion was seconded. It was

75-GS-82 VOTED: The Tenth General Synod refers the motion regarding Bylaw 174 amendment and the Executive Council recommendation for Bylaw 174 amendment to the Executive Council and directs the Executive Council to con-

sider during the coming biennium the appropriate granting of associate delegate status in Bylaw 174 and report its conclusions not later than its October, 1976, meeting.

### 22. RESOLUTION ON VOTING CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATION FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Moderator recognized Mr. Eaton. On behalf of the business committee, Mr. Eaton referred the delegates to the Resolution on Voting Representation for the District of Columbia submitted as new business and moved that the Resolution be referred to the Center for Social Action for study and report to the Executive Council. The motion was seconded. It was

75-GS-83 VOTED: The General Synod refers the Resolution on Voting Congressional Representation for the District of Columbia to the Center for Social Action for study and report at the October, 1975, meeting of the Executive Council.

WHEREAS previous General Synods have affirmed the need for self determination for citizens of the District of Columbia, and

WHEREAS representative self-government is the best way to express responsibility to God in matters of public concern, and,

WHEREAS the District of Columbia has a population greater than that of seven states, (North Dakota, South Dakota, Delaware, Nevada, Vermont, Wyoming, Alaska) and its citizens pay taxes to the federal government in excess of \$1 billion, and,

WHEREAS the District of Columbia has been designated as a principal place for the celebration of the birth of self government in our nation, and,

WHEREAS citizens of the District of Columbia still do not have voting representation in Congress;

The Tenth General Synod affirms its support of self government for citizens of the District of Columbia and urges all levels of the church to press Congress and state legislatures to support a constitutional amendment to enable the District of Columbia to elect two Senators and as many Representatives as it would be entitled to if it were a state.

### 23. RESOLUTION ON CONCERN FOR ECUMENICAL CELEBRATION

The Moderator recognized Mr. Eaton. On behalf of the business committee, Mr. Eaton referred the delegates to the Resolution on Concern for Ecumenical Celebration submitted as new business:

"WHEREAS God's plan calls for unity and fellowship of all Christians everywhere;

WHEREAS the Tenth General Synod's theme is "Jesus Christ Frees and Unites";

WHEREAS our Catholic Brethren in Christ have lowered barriers between us by removal of the Latin Mass and St. Christopher for which we had no affection;

BE IT RESOLVED

That the United Church of Christ will urge the celebration of 'Festivals of Faith' rather than Reformation Sunday, to avoid being offensive to our Catholic Brethren and to remove a barrier to unity in Christ."