

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 5

2) That this Inventory be made available to all National Agencies, Conferences, Associations and UCC related institutions and that the executives and governing bodies of these be urged to utilize the minority clergy having such skills.

13. ANNOUNCEMENT OF RECEIPTS FOR THE ROBERT V. MOSS, JR. MEMORIAL FUND

Moderator Nace indicated that the offering collected at the worship service on Sunday, July 3, 1977, which had been designated for the Robert V. Moss, Jr. Memorial Fund totaled \$4,343.91.

14. AMBASSADOR ANDREW YOUNG

Anne Kear, Chairperson of Division D, was recognized by Moderator Nace and moved the adoption of the "Resolution Regarding Ambassador Andrew Young." She indicated that this resolution incorporated the resolution presented by Charles Ross of the Central Pacific Conference and the Wisconsin Conference Andrew Young Overture, June 21, 1977. The motion was seconded. There was no discussion. Upon being put to a vote, it was

77-GS-89 VOTED: The Eleventh General Synod adopts the "Resolution regarding Andrew Young" as proposed by Division D:

RESOLVED, That the Eleventh General Synod supports and encourages the forthrightness and integrity shown by Ambassador Andrew Young in fostering human rights and non-violence throughout the world.

RESOLVED, that the Eleventh General Synod directs the Secretary of the UCC to forward copies of this resolution to Ambassador Young, President Carter, Secretary of State Vance and members of Congress.

15. CHURCH WORLD SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT GRANTS

Ms. Kear was recognized by the Moderator and indicated that the material for this resolution could be found in the packet of information handed to the delegates from Division D. Ms. Kear moved the adoption of the "Resolution on Church World Service and Government Grants." It was seconded.

The Eleventh General Synod urges representatives of the Northern California Conference to meet with UCC representatives on the Board of Directors of Church World Service to discuss the issues raised and seek to resolve differences of opinion and fact.

Jerome Storm, (ME), spoke to the resolution in behalf of Division D. After discussion it was

77-GS-90 VOTED: The Eleventh General Synod tables the "Resolution on Church World Service and Government Grants" and refers it to the Executive Council for further consideration.

This completed the report of Division B. Ms. Kear thanked the delegates for their actions on the issues presented by Division D.

16. RESOLUTION ON THE REPORT ON RACIAL AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE

Anne Lee Clough, Chairperson of Division E, was rec-

ognized by the Moderator and moved the "Resolution on the Report of Racial and Economic Justice" be removed from the table. The motion was seconded and it was so voted. The delegates were again referred to the Advance Materials, Section II, pages 85-86.

Larry Turns, (NH), indicated that their small group felt General Synod should be true to the body of information given to the General Synod.

Barbara Backman, (CONN), moved an amendment to the resolution which would:

Delete: "quality and equalized education and housing:" in item 2 of the resolved section and

Insert: "racial and economic justice." in the same place.

There was discussion on the amendment and upon being put to a vote it was defeated.

Mr. Morgan of the Business Committee moved an amendment to the resolution by adding #10 to the resolved section:

Add: 10. That General Synod direct the Executive Council to assist and monitor the actions taken by congregations, Associations, Conferences, National Agencies, and Instrumentalities of the United Church of Christ on this resolution; and that the Executive Council shall cause to be prepared a report on this matter to the Twelfth General Synod.

The motion was seconded and there was discussion. A point of order was called and declared that this was an additional amendment and not an amendment to the amendment. The amendment was withdrawn.

An amendment to the resolution was made and seconded noting the following changes in the resolved section of the "Resolution on Economic and Racial Justice": in Item #2, #5, #7, and #8.

There was some discussion and upon being put to a vote it was

77-GS-91a VOTED: The Eleventh General Synod adopts the amendment to the "Resolution on Racial and Economic Justice."

And be it further RESOLVED:

2. That the United Church of Christ support efforts to achieve quality and equalized education and housing.
5. *That General Synod calls upon Congregations, Associations, Conferences, National Agencies and instrumentalities of the United Church of Christ to continue to give major attention to the issue of world hunger.*
7. *The General Synod calls upon congregations, Associations, Conferences, National Agencies and Instrumentalities of the United Church of Christ to work to bring about equitable reform of Federal Tax and Welfare systems.*
8. *That General Synod calls upon congregations Associations, Conferences, National Agencies and Instrumentalities of the United Church of Christ to work to bring about quality, equitable, and affordable Health Care for all the world's people*

through improved medical services and delivery systems.

Mr. Morgan moved an amendment to the "Resolution on Economic and Racial Justice" as previously stated. The motion was seconded and there was discussion. Upon being put to a vote the amendment was defeated.

The discussion on this resolution was called to a close and it was

77-GS-91 VOTED: The Eleventh General Synod adopts the "Resolution on the Report on Racial and Economic Justice" as amended.

Resolution on the Report on Racial and Economic Justice
PREAMBLE

The United Church of Christ historically has been in the forefront of the struggle for racial and economic justice. As laudable as this may be, the church cannot rest on past achievements and involvements.

The quests for racial and economic justice are two distinct, yet interrelated necessities facing the church and nations. The poor and near-poor of the United States are inclusive of all racial and ethnic groups, yet a disproportionate percentage of racial minorities belong to these economic groupings. On the global level, the darker skinned two-thirds of humanity include the bulk of the abjectly poor, while the lighter skinned one-third includes most of the comfortable and the rich.

Our faith affirms that every person is equal in the eyes of God, and the equality must be reflected in the social order. Affirming our Biblical heritage and the Lordship of Jesus Christ, the United Church of Christ is called to continue its involvement in the struggle of people for racial and economic justice at home and abroad.

Whereas, there is not:

- Adequate sustenance for all peoples,
- Adequate income for all the people of the United States and peoples of the presently less developed countries,
- An adequate environment at home and abroad,
- Adequate civil liberty in the United States and human rights worldwide, and
- Adequate popular participation;

RESOLVED, That we give thanks and commend the total church both nationally and locally for their work on these concerns. That we call upon the United Church of Christ to reaffirm the priority of the Tenth General Synod to support racial and economic justice and to support specific programs which foster these ends. That the agencies, boards and instrumentalities work collaboratively. That wherever possible, they work with other denominational groups as well as secular groups to achieve these ends. And be it further resolved,

1. That the United Church of Christ demonstrate its commitment to racial and economic justice by correcting the injustices at both upper and lower levels of remuneration within the Church.
2. That the United Church of Christ supports efforts to achieve quality and equalized education and housing.

3. That the United Church of Christ supports efforts to make available legal services in both civil and criminal matters for all people at affordable prices.
4. That General Synod support efforts for the completion and ratification of international agreements for the implementation of the Universal Declaration of Human rights.
5. That General Synod calls upon congregations, associations, conferences, national agencies and instrumentalities of the United Church of Christ to continue to give major attention to the issue of world hunger.
6. That General Synod request the World Council of Churches to develop a strategy for the creation of an enforceable international law to protect, enhance, and develop the total planetary environment.
7. That General Synod calls upon congregations, associations, conferences, national agencies and instrumentalities of the United Church of Christ to work to bring about equitable reform of Federal Tax and Welfare systems.
8. That General Synod calls upon congregations, associations, conferences, national agencies and instrumentalities of the United Church of Christ to work to bring about quality, equitable, and affordable Health Care for all the world's people through improved medical services and delivery systems.
9. That General Synod call for an adjustment of Federal Budget priorities in line with a new sense of overall national and international goals for racial and economic justice.

17. OVERTURE ON INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE

Ms. Clough was again recognized by the Moderator and indicated that Division E was presenting a substitute overture which evolved from overtures submitted by the Northern California Conference and the Michigan Conference.

Ms. Clough indicated that there was a correction to the Overture in item #1.

The motion to adopt the Overture was seconded and there was discussion.

Carolyn Robert, (CAL.N), indicated that the Ninth General Synod had adopted a policy to use inclusive language in all new and revised UCC printed materials and in resources used officially by agencies of the UCC (73-GS-41). Unfortunately, mechanisms for implementing this policy statement have not been adequately developed. Materials such as the 1974 Hymnal of the United Church of Christ and various pieces of the JED curriculum resources which contain exclusive language have been issued since that time. This overture seeks to establish mechanisms to implement (73-GS-41). There was considerable discussion centered around this overture particularly in reference to item #3 which calls for the creation of a new hymnal.