

Ministerial Conference 1972

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- 72-2 #288 Seven fold commission of church from the constitution & by-laws of WCG. Church is to fulfill prophecy of Mat 24:14.
- 72-3 280 Breakdown of income for 1971 of \$40,460,000.--expenditures.
- 72-5 148 Accreditation no longer being sought. Original desire to become accredited was due to receiving an IBM equipment lease reduction of 25%. HWA led to believe that AC would be judged only by how successfully the college achieved its own objectives. Turned out WASC was displeased with the authoritarian structure of the college & HWA had too much power over the faculty.
- 72-5 691 Well at that time Mr. Flache and I both felt that we ought to grab that handbook and keep it from him (Ken Riche)(LA Times reporter) because we looked in there and there were many statements which were similar to some of these other statements of the Bob Jones University which had been held up to ridicule. And I did not want the student handbook at Ambassador College at Pasadena published, you know, just word for word on the front page of the Los Angeles Times. So the handbook was quickly taken out of circulation. But the rules that it spelled out were not abandoned. And for that entire two year period of time I guess I'd been down there exhausting my lungs as much as anybody had been--I'm sure more than most because the forums always seemed to fall my lot for many many years and I was down there hammering away on the policies and the principles and the procedures and continually Mr. Flache would bring student moods attitudes and problems to me after his student council meetings and had there been dorm problems. You know, it goes back to when you were a student in college. The forums, believe me, were no different. They were just as strong. They were spelling out things just as much.
- 72-5 098 You see this is what they accuse us of continually in the British press and Australia and defecting members and so on is that we use fear religion to extort money. Well that cannot be proved. That is not accurate. It has never been done. It is not a tactic at all. As a matter of fact in the last decade or so we have gotten completely away from the more scary type booklets and the sensational pictures and the you'de better wake up or you're going to fry and so on point of view that we did frankly have a little bit too much of.....
- 115 Deut. 18:22. If we spoke presumptuously people are commanded not to be afraid of us and I'm happy that they are commanded not to be afraid of us because we don't want them to be afraid of us.
- 72-8 428 Can I submit the need for the alteration of something else and that is our annointed cloth letter? The last article that appeared in an Australian paper dealt with the matter of healing. The headline of the article was "doctors cannot heal the sick, claims sect", and they reproduced a large section of our annointed cloth letter, especially the part where we say that no medicine, no doctor, no drug or no something can heal the sick. I don't disagree with that. I agree with that. I just wonder if we need to say it that way... (Wayne Cole during discussion on "persecution literature")
- 72-9 258 HWA & Hoeh about HWA not being a prophet--apostle--.
- 370 HWA & Ted have always said, "don't believe me just because I've said it; believe what you see in the Bible."

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Beginning of HWA's discussion of the 19 year time cycle failure. Second time cycle ended on Friday a week ago. And six months before I could not have said this gospel has gone to all the world as a witness unto all nations. But by that day that was true. That had happened. And if we had been stopped the work could have been accomplished. There is nothing in the Bible that tells us how thoroughly it must be accomplished.

God showed us on that day because some things did happen on that day! On that day, suddenly out of a clear sky and we were expecting an answer but we didn't know when and we rather thought it would go the other way--At 11:30 that morning a telephone call came; Readers Digest had opened their doors to the United States edition for the first time to not only as just Ambassador College with non-religious type messages but it was Ambassador College and Worldwide Church of God...

Now that's the biggest door that has ever opened in the history of this work. It came on that day! God showed us then that we are not completed the work--it must go a lot bigger and He's opened the biggest door yet...

Oh, and another thing, it was on that day, Friday, that the final signed, sealed and delivered assurance of the financing that we can build this building came through. So on that day God assured us there's enough time left to build this house for Him. So I think that ~~is~~ is very significant...

623 A mistake like that is not what we've been called to do one way or the other. It's of very little significance...

Anyway, the right editorial there and reprints of it I'm sure will take care of it and it will just be over with and forgotten. And I just think we don't have to worry about things like that. Sure we've made mistakes. We'll probably make more. God has never let us make a fatal mistake.

637 I have often made a mistake. But whenever it had been thoroughly considered, counselled with, I call meetings, we kicked it around, we counsel, we look at this side and that and pray over it and I finally make a decision--there has never been a mistake yet. So we do have some guidance.

657 Anyway we always say, "believe what you find in the Bible."

688 You know this is the time to really put something forward that shows how right we are after all.

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174 Discussion by HWA on D&R. If an absolute decision cannot be made for any reason we must say<sup>that</sup> the individuals involved are not free to marry. At least if they stay unmarried it may be a hardship on them but at least they're not committing any sin.  
(Rest of this side HWA discusses D&R cases)

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Here are some general guidelines for all ministers to avoid this syndrome of continually reopening cases: It is critical that each new case should be very carefully and thoroughly reviewed prior to the final decision. Make sure the participants tell everything--no matter how bad or embarrassing the facts might be. Make them meditate on what they have said in order that any withheld information can be brought up. At least one or two weeks should pass. At the end of that time review in detail the entire case. Make the parties involved consciously aware of everything they have stated. Finally ask them once again, "is this everything". Only then should a decision be reached.

- 72-11 275 Point Six. Should any D&R couples live together when not bound? The answer is no--not permitted under any circumstances. Not even for extreme factors regarding health. Not even when sex relations are impossible. Not even when the couple is very old. We have made some exceptions like that and we've made a mistake in doing it. They just don't work out. People will say they live in the same house, they sleep in different bedrooms and there's no sex relations. But they sneak in and have the sex relations when they want to. I'm quite sure they get away with it.
- 293 When a person has become so involved with persons of the opposite sex in and out of marriage that the marriage relationship would be severely hindered that person should be advised not to marry. This would no doubt be a rare occurrence--"no, I don't know. We run across a number of them where they've been married 4, 5 or 6 times or more." And of course a judgement must be determined in each case.  
"I have in some cases just said that's confusion in Israel--away with it. Those people have got to live single from now on if they ever want to get into the kingdom of God.
- 72-12 670 I think that's one place my son Garner Ted would agree with me. (Men's hair over the collar). We don't disagree on many things. Don't get the idea we do. We don't. We never have and we've never been in closer agreement than we are right now.
- 72-13 Last portion--GTA on ministers being expert counsellors on subjects on which they know little. Understanding teenagers.
- 72-14 Continuation of GTA on teenagers. (first portion)
- 500 The basic principle regarding tithing is that every human being on earth who has an increase is required to tithe.  
Continued discourse by HWA on tithing.
- 72-15 675 All ordained men in the spiritual phase of God's ministry are exempt from second and third tithe. No others are.
- 72-16 053 All ordained men full time employed in the spiritual phase of God's ministry are exempt from second and third tithe. (correction)
- 72-17 270 My father said to me one time after watching the Rex Humbard television program, He said, "you know, Ted, these people are saying some of the things that sometimes I think we ought to be saying."....  
I think the man's a fake from the word go. But nevertheless he is a complete unabashed, unashamed, unafraid fake. He comes on right out with statements about God and about Christ and about conversion and about salvation without hiding, you know, behind anything to tell anybody that he's something he's not. He's just letting it all hang out! There's no question in your mind about whether or not Rex Humbard is an evangelist.
- 440 I'm just saying that if 1972 had put us down I don't think we could have said we had done our job 10% of what we're supposed to have done! It's my own personal feeling. It's my feeling about me. It's my feeling about my broadcast, my telecast, my articles, my sermons. I don't think that I have done a 10% job to what we could do. This nation ought to hate my guts! It ought to have been rocked back on its heels years ago. It ought to know exactly who I am not wonder whether I'm a news commentator.
- 72-18 068 However there is still the Bible admonition against inter-marriage of races...
- 074 Black and white brethren should never dance together--that is, a man &nd woman--because this is certainly a semi-romantic activity in our western culture and in fact we discourage even married men of any race

from dancing with anyone other than their wives except on rare occasions. Within the above configuration certain integrated activities might be fine especially if it's an all boy or all girl activity, father and son outing or anything of that type. Third. Certain integrated socializing outside of church activities is fine if it is kept within the above configuration. White and Negroe brethren may wish to invite each other's family over for an evening meal and to share in the fellowship of converted brethren within God's church. Obviously this should be done on a very limited basis if there are teenage children of the opposite sex involved. "That's the one point to notice."

317 This is modern Israel. The nation we are living in is modern Manasseh. And we have modern Ephraim and modern Manasseh... But the Negroes are not here as the people of Isreal as the people of Manasseh but in one sense they are guests here and they are sharing in the fantastic blessing that God Almighty gave to this people because of Abraham's obedience...

367 There ought to be, as Christ is going to do, a separate development in their own land--to have their own "Israel"--I mean like the little state of Israel--themselves where they can develop properly. And that's God's solution.

371 In spite of the modern integration movement we would have a white congregation, 60-90% white, which it would be in most cases and we would have a black man over that congregation and we would have some new TW readers coming on in...but they'd walk into that church, Mr. Armstrong's church, the Worldwide Church of God....and here is a negroe who they find is not only the visiting minister--he is the pastor--they might never come back again.

406 But the time is not now in this age in the next whatever we have, you know, 3 to 5 or 10 years left to have negroe pastors of integrated churches. And we feel that is not the right thing or to be superintendents over, of course, integrated churches--to be district superintendents.

72-19 1 53 Now let me tell you the way I see this, if I am God's apostle and I think you accept me as such...

507 It should not be paraded, that is church government, around unnecessarily used to threaten people. Don't have people fearing you in the sense of fright or terror or that kind of fear. Have them fear the authority which is of God and fear to disobey in the the sense that we are to fear God.

72-21 068 Increase for 1971 = 16.7% \$40,459,765 revenue  
40,848,100 expenditure

236 Income in 1970 = \$37,594,000  
34,114,000 expenditure borrowed from Continental Bank

Budgeted 17.5% for 1972 = 49,000,000

72-22 152 Milt Scott advertising agency earned \$600,000-700,000 per year off WCG account at time he was dropped. Worldwide Advertising Agency. Wilshire Blvd.

72-23 & 24 Meredith preaching to the ministers--praying, studying, staying close to God.

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475 But Ted and I had the most frank talk we have ever had about, I don't know, a month or 5 weeks ago over in Big Sandy. It took up most of the morning. And Ted began clear back to the time he was a little boy. He said, "Dad, all my life I've been afraid of you and I've tried to avoid you." "Why Ted I didn't know that." It hadn't been apparent.

513 But in our home I had to be the disciplinarian...

And Ted, from the time he was a little boy, got to thinking I was unfair and cruel and he learned to be--not to fear me in the way he should the way we should fear God but to be actually frightened. Physical fear. And I never knew it until 4 or 5 weeks ago. He had never felt that he could come to me and open up and tell me.

549 And he got it off his chest and I tell you things have been different ever since. Now he feels he can tell me things. He'd cover it up! And if he doesn't get a chance to come and tell me he'll write me now a little memorandum.