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The Executive Committee at its October meeting held at the Spencerville church received the following reports and took these actions:

~ Received the report from Publishing Director Richard Figueredo on the summer programs in Wilmington, Delaware, and Linthicum, Maryland, and also presented a strategic plan for 2011. The committee tabled any action on funding the continuation of the literature evangelist ministry until the December meeting.

~ The committee heard a report regarding a Sabbath-keeping congregation in Baltimore that has expressed interest in becoming Adventists. Their bi-vocational pastor has been studying with Pastor Roosevelt Marsden of the Pikesville church. Conference administration will open a conversation with the pastor and congregation and bring back a report in December.

~ The committee took a tour of the construction site of the new Spencerville Adventist Academy. Members were impressed with the size, layout and quality of the project. Senior Pastor Jerry Lutz and Building Committee Chair Merle Poirier expect the facility to be completed next summer and ready for the 2001-2012 school year. This is the largest school construction project ever attempted by a single congregation in the North American Division.

~ Voted, to receive the preliminary draft of the 2011 budget. The budget is being based upon the tithe income of 2009. After voting deficit budgets for 2009 and 2010 the committee is not likely to do so for 2011. The conference is currently showing a -0.41 percent tithe loss through September. In order to present a balanced budget for next year, Conference Treasurer Eduardo Munoz stated it would necessitate a reduction in our total pastoral workforce (through attrition rather than layoffs, if possible); a continued freeze with salaries and the cost of living component; a reduction of one position in the office staff; a freeze on continuing education subsidy and the equipment allowance for pastors; a reduction in authorized travel for the office staff; a possible reduction in the overall educational ministry workforce for the 2001-2012 school year; and the potential trimming of budgets related to our publishing and summer camp programs. It is still a work in progress, but the committee did vote to proceed with some of the cost saving measures.

~ The officers reported on the progress of action being taken by the conference and the Baltimore Korean congregation against the bonding company over the stalled construction project. At this time a trial is scheduled for mid-November.

~ Voted, to call for a 21 Days of Prayer, from December 11-31, in support of the outreach initiative An Open Door in Baltimore.

Hope For Humanity is the new face of one of the longest and most effective humanitarian ministries in the history of Adventism—what used to be called "Harvest Ingathering." For more than a century, Seventh-day Adventists have supported humanitarian work in local communities through Disaster Response and Adventist Community Services Centers, as well as projects abroad in countries such as South Africa, Nicaragua, and Bangladesh. These initiatives help people challenged by HIV and AIDS, illiteracy, limited medical care, and other social and health-related problems. You can help by donating money (just mark your offering envelope “Hope for Humanity”) and by fund-raising with your fellow church members. Pastors should have recently received the starter kits containing free Ingathering materials. Visit the Hope for Humanity website at www.hope4.com to get a glimpse of how Seventh-day Adventists are ministering to people around the world.

Evangelism funding requests for 2011 are due by November 15. The details and forms were sent out to pastors in September. Every church group is encouraged to make plans to experience the joy of leading individuals into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and a life of discipleship within His Church.

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