

URANTIA BROTHERHOOD

1961 ANNUAL REPORTS

Presented to General Council

January 28, 1962



URANTIA BROTHERHOOD

533 DIVERSEY PARKWAY

CHICAGO 14, ILLINOIS

December 15, 1961

~~Miss Marian T. Rowley, Secretary-General~~
~~Urantia Brotherhood~~
~~533 Diversey Parkway~~
~~Chicago 14, Illinois~~

Letter to the General Counsel - Jan. 9, 1962

Re: Annual Meeting 1962
Activities of Judicial Committee During 1961

~~Dear Marian:~~

The Judicial Committee had two meetings during the year 1961, June 18th and July 29th.

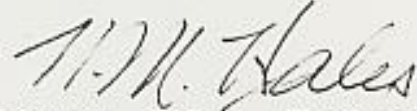
At the meeting of June 18th the Rules of Procedure for conducting the affairs of the Committee, adopted October 7, 1957, were amended to give more flexibility as to the date on which the required minimum of one meeting per year might be held. Plans also were discussed for duplicating the manuals for Officers and Departmental Committees of Urantia Brotherhood, drafts of which were approved in 1960.

Duplication of these drafts were completed during the summer and distributed to the Officers and the Chairman of the Departmental Committees.

The meeting of July 29th was called for the purpose of taking action on the letter of a General Counselor of the Urantia Brotherhood to the Judicial Committee Chairman requesting an opinion of the Judicial Committee involving a construction of the Constitution and By-Laws of Urantia Brotherhood. The Committee, following the discussion of each of the questions raised in the above, requested the Chairman prepare a formal opinion in accordance with the conclusions reached by the Committee and to submit it to the Executive Committee for approval. The Chairman presented said opinion to the Executive Committee of Urantia Brotherhood on August 7, 1961.

L. E. Sunderland resigned as a member of the Committee in view of his moving to Florida and by due process Elsie Baumgartner was appointed to fill this vacancy.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. M. Hales".

William M. Hales, Chairman
Judicial Committee

WMH:js

cc: Miss Edith Cook, Secretary
Judicial Committee

REPORT TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF URANTIA BROTHERHOOD
of the work of the Charter Committee
for the year 1961

The year 1961 for the Charter Committee has been a relatively quiet one. We held six meetings not counting the occasion of our most important activity of the year, namely, the installation of a new society.

On June 27, 1961, at 1159 North Dearborn St., Chicago, at 8:00 pm four members of the Charter Committee, with the assistance of several of the Executive Committee, installed the Orvinton Urantia Society. Dr. William S. Sadler presented Charter No. 7 to thirteen founders, and immediately thereafter all charter members were initiated.

The Charter Committee has continued to revise and improve information which we have prepared to be sent to groups that are working toward becoming a society.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth G. Burton
Chairman, Charter Committee

Typewriter mistakes terrible!

For Sec - Gen'l

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FRATERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THE GENERAL COUNCIL
OF URANTIA BROTHERHOOD

For the Year 1961

During the past year, no problems concerning our relations with established churches were referred to the Fraternal Relations Committee.

Due to illness and absence from the city of certain members of the committee, it was not possible to hold a meeting during the year, but plans are being made to hold one in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

Edmond F. J. Stuliker

Chairman

December 30, 1961

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Wheeling, All
December 27, 1961

~~Dear Miss Rawley~~

Re: Annual Report Domestic Extension
Committee Miantia Brotherhood year 1961.

Most of the activity concerning the
Domestic Extension Committee during 1961
was in personnel.

I replaced Everett Darwell as Chairman
when his term expired in January 1961.

Our Secretary at that time, Mrs
Sunderland, was out often until June at
which time she resigned from the Committee.
Shortly thereafter Jack Stirling resigned.

Nola Smith and Denna Rawley
were appointed to replace Silvia Sunderland
and Jack Stirling respectively.

During 1961 our Committee held one meeting,
on October 27, at which time we reviewed
past Committee activities.

Now that our Committee is at full
strength we will be able to start work.

Naturally we welcome suggestions and

comments from the Executive Committee and the
General Council.

We feel we will have a fuller
report to offer on our 1962 activities.

Thomas A. Kendall
Chairman
Domestic Extension Committee

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FOREIGN EXTENSION
COMMITTEE TO THE URANTIA BROTHERHOOD
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

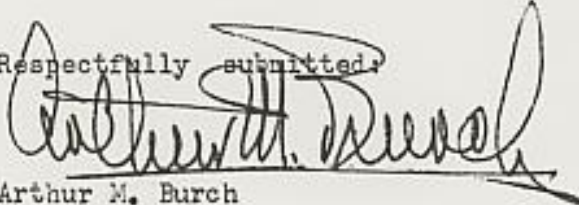
The Foreign Extension Committee has held one meeting during the year 1961 to consider unfinished business and to consider any new business since its last meeting in 1960.

Under the heading of old business further discussion was held with respect to our recommendations as to the next language in which to translate the Urantia Book. It was viewed from the geographical, density of population, racial and language standpoints as well as general world conditions.

It was the consensus of opinion no one or all of the various points considered yielded an answer which was void of problems, such as, dialect variations, prejudices due to dictatorial forms of government and restrictions due to religious limitations.

Hence it was the considered opinion of the committee at this time to with hold a formal recommendation pending further world developments and until such time as a request might be made by an individual or a group to consider that a translation of the Urantia Book be made in a given language.

Respectfully submitted,



Arthur M. Burch
Chairman

December 29, 1961

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE OF URANTIA BROTHERHOOD FOR 1961

The School has continued its weekly sessions, conducting two courses of study, with the attendance about the same as in recent years.

During the year, a brochure, describing the work of the School, was published, and since we are anxious that it should find its way into the hands of prospective students, we earnestly solicit the co-operation of every member of the Brotherhood in an effort to recruit new students.

In September of this year, soon after the opening of the School at the annual Commencement, the first class of Ordained Teachers received their diplomas.

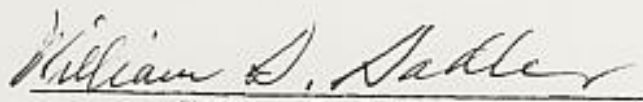
Our Committee realizes that some time in the future a correspondence school will be conducted, and in the past year or two, a careful study has been made of several correspondence schools in this country with a view to collecting information that will be valuable some time in the future when the time arrives for launching this enterprise.

We feel that many members of the Brotherhood should avail themselves of this course of instruction which would make them more familiar with the Urantia Book, as well as helping them to a better understanding of how to present it most effectively to interested inquirers.

We hope to recruit many new members for the 1962-63 sessions of the School and would call attention to the fact that auditors are registered for these courses of study to accommodate those who wish to attend to absorb what they can from the sessions but who do not take the examinations for credit. If you cannot attend as a regular student, register as an auditor.

Attention should be called to the growing list of textbooks which are used in the School and which are available for purchase for all members of the Brotherhood who may not be able to attend the School either as students or auditors.

This report is respectfully submitted by the Educational Committee.


William S. Sadler, Chairman

URANTIA BROTHERHOOD
PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE
1961 Annual Report

To The General Council
Urantia Brotherhood

Publications Committee reports the following activities for the year 1961:

This Committee held its annual meeting on Dec. 3, 1961

This Committee has duplicated and mailed out the Quarterly News Letter from the Executive Committee, edited and signed by James C. Mills, Vice President, to the General Council and other interested individuals. There are more than 500 persons on our mailing list, eight of which are in foreign countries.

This Committee has also duplicated materials and teaching aids for the Committee on Education, programs and ballots for the First Urantia Society, and has done other odd jobs for individuals who have requested.

Respectfully submitted:

Leone M. Sadler
Chairman

Dated Dec. 29, 1961

Copy to Sec. Gen. ✓

January 2, 1962

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR 1961

One meeting of the Committee was held on October 25, 1961, for the purpose of drafting the budget for the year of 1962. Comparison of actual expenses of the various committees to date against their budgets indicated an over-all expense for the year greater than the budget estimate. Because of this, some committees increased the amounts of their estimated budget expense for the coming year and in addition, for the first time an amount was included to be applied to the reserve for the Triennial Delegate Assembly. The resulting total budget for 1962 is \$6,675.00, as compared with \$6,175.00 for 1961.

which is to be held in 1964.

As in the past several years, the practice has been continued of limiting the solicitation of funds to those actively interested in the Urantia Book and the Brotherhood. As of December 31, 1961, the result of the latter solicitation shows total pledges for 1961 of approximately \$4,917.00, of which \$4,732.00 has been paid. This compares with a total of \$5,295.00 pledged for 1960.

In November 1960, 200 letters were sent out to individuals, plus 79 additional letters sent in bulk shipments to other Urantia Societies.

In December 1961, a new form of solicitation letter and pledge card was sent out for 1962 carrying a joint appeal with the Foundation.

According to recent practice, the books will again be audited as of December 31, 1961, by Olga DuVal, accountant.

Respectfully submitted,



Philip A. Copenhagen, Jr., Chairman

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URANTIA BROTHERHOOD
COMMITTEE ON MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES
1961 Annual Report

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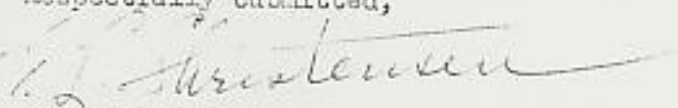
TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & GENERAL COUNCIL
URANTIA BROTHERHOOD:

The chairman of this committee wishes to report a very happy and a very busy year. The many details passing through our hands will, of course, not be enumerated here. Our committee, as a whole, has not accomplished anything outstanding.

During the months of July and August we had an opportunity to act as Joint Custodian in the absence of Mrs. Sadler. We enjoyed the task of filling orders for Urantia Books and keeping the necessary records.

We hope we will be able to serve other committees or officers.

Respectfully submitted,


E.L. Christensen
Chairman

Dated 12-27-61

Custodians of Urantia Book functioning jointly for Urantia Foundation, Urantia Brotherhood and Urantia Brotherhood Corporation submit the following:

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1961 -- (Jan. 1, 1961 to Dec. 31, 1961)

TO GENERAL COUNCIL

CC TREAS. Urantia Foundation
Urantia Brotherhood
Urantia Brotherhood Corporation

1961

Jan. 1 Inventory at 533 Diversey Parkway 493

Dec. 15 Received from Donnelley's, Crawfordsville,
Indiana -- eighth shipment 500 943

Books released during 1961

Cash sales for U. B. Corporation 452
Presented as gifts on Form 10 7
Replaced defective books 3 462

Dec. 31 Balance in inventory at 533
Diversey 531

Balance in inventory at
Crawfordsville, Indiana 4362

Balance in both inventories 4893

Dec. 31 Number of gift books remaining
in inventory and paid for 16

Memo of books released to date:

1955 1695
1956 639
1957 594
1958 388
1959 454
1960 522
1961 462
4754

Respectfully submitted:

George M. Miller
Marion T. Kenley

} Joint
Custodians

Dated 1-1-62

URANTIA BROTHERHOOD CORPORATION

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
for Year Ended December 31, 1961

Receipts:

Contributions	\$ 8,121.62
Tithes from Urantia Societies	152.85
Application for Charter	50.00
Interest on Savings Account	628.72
Sale of Urantia Books	<u>3,892.64</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$12,845.83

Disbursements:

Rent	\$ 3,850.00
Telephone	137.49
Urantia Brotherhood School	1,667.68
Travel Expense	51.20
Legal Expense	1.00
Committees' Expenses	28.40
Shipping and Handling	191.37
Miscellaneous Expense	553.64
Furniture and Fixtures	83.10
Purchase of Urantia Books from Urantia Foundation	6,701.50
Profits on Sales of Urantia Books transferred to Urantia Foundation	<u>10,000.00</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

23,265.38

Excess of Disbursements over Receipts

\$10,419.55

Bank Balance as of January 1, 1961

17,931.34

Bank Balance as of December 31, 1961

\$ 7,511.79

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Menasha, Wisconsin
December 29, 1961.

To: The General Council Wenta's Brotherhood
Re: Annual Report of Vice President
During the year 1961 your vice-
president

Served as editor of the Quarterly
News Letter, the entire work of
its preparation being carried
out by Mrs Leone M. Sadler,
Chairman, Publications Committee
and during her absence by Miss
Marian T. Rawley.

Respectfully submitted
J. C. Mills

ANNUAL REPORT TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF
URANTIA BROTHERHOOD COVERING THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S OFFICE

For the Year 1961

The year 1961 has been the usual interesting one in the office of the Secretary-General. After several years, things have fallen into a pattern and the handling is more or less routine. But there are always interesting letters and phone calls, and new people coming into the office to meet us and learn more about us and the organization. Through the year we have had several visits from members of other societies.

In addition to visitors coming to Chicago, we have maintained contact with societies and study groups by visits of several headquarters people to the field. The two Field Representatives have made several official visits. Mr. William Sadler, Jr., has been in Oklahoma City and Darien several times through the year, and Dr. Meredith Sprunger visited the Orvonton Urantia Society of Chicago and the Urantia Society of Glenview this fall. Unofficial trips have been made by Ruth Burton, who visited the Los Angeles society and the Santa Monica group, the Oklahoma society, Dorothy Elms in Albuquerque, and Sophie Hansen in Albany. Edith Cook and Warren Kulieke both made trips to the study group in Culver, Ind., and I visited the Los Angeles and Santa Monica groups. Several people have attended meetings of the Glenview and Orvonton groups through the year.

Three or four times a year I make a verbal report on Sunday afternoon to the First Urantia Society to tell them what's going on in the headquarters office. Phone calls and outside contacts are discussed and some of the interesting letters are read. Some of the most interesting events and letters are incorporated in the News Letters for the benefit of ~~existing~~ ~~existing in Chicago~~ the other societies.

It is impossible to tell exactly how many study groups there are in existence as there must be many which we have never heard of. Every once in a while someone mentions a new one. But we do know there are groups in the following places, and some of them have been in existence quite a long time:

Winnetka, Ill.
Bensenville, Ill.
Western Springs, Ill.
Springfield, Ill.
Albany, N. Y.
Darien, Conn.
Culver, Ind.
Topeka, Kan.

San Diego, Calif.
Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.
Riverside, Calif.
Albuquerque, N. Mex.
Sydney, Australia
Launching Place, Australia
Dunedin, New Zealand
Glen Iris, Australia
Phoenix, Ariz.

We have heard that there is a group in Elgin and also in Naperville, but we have very little information on these. We would appreciate hearing about any groups which are not on this list.

We have been keeping a geographical file of names and addresses of those who have the Urantia Book, and we have found that this is most valuable, although we know it is incomplete. A great many times we are asked for

lists of names by people who are traveling or perhaps moving to a new location. We do the best we can, but we know our list is sketchy. Whenever we get an individual order, we can add a card to our file, but many books are now going out through stores, and of course we have no record of where they end up. We would appreciate getting from any of you the name and address when you give a book or know of someone who got one by other means.

We recently received a bequest of several thousand dollars and another small one is in process, but has not yet been received.

The French translation is being produced and a copy of the first volume has been received. The finished book will be in three volumes.

We were sorry to lose our Treasurer, Russell W. Bucklin, who submitted his resignation in September, before his move to California. His fine work since the organization of the Brotherhood has been very much appreciated. Harry E. Rowley was appointed Acting Treasurer to serve until this meeting of the General Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Rowley
Secretary-General

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12/28/61

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF URANTIA BROTHERHOOD FOR 1961

TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL

Your Secretary has performed her duties as outlined in the Constitution, namely:

- To keep and preserve the records of meetings and proceedings of the General Council
- To be custodian of the Brotherhood seal
- To issue all notices required by the Constitution and By-laws of the Brotherhood.
- To keep and preserve the official record of members of the Brotherhood.
- To have power to certify to the correctness of any copies of records in her custody or possession
- To perform such other duties and exercise such other powers as may from time to time be imposed upon her by the By-laws.

And in addition, she has had the privilege of answering the office telephone where calls have come in from all over the country, asking many things about the Urantia Book and our organizations--questions such as, "Who wrote the Urantia Book?" "Does your organization believe in divorce? divine healing? spiritualism? churches?" Although your Secretary may not always have been wise in her answers, she has tried, within her ability, to be honest, enthusiastic, and informative.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna Rawson
Secretary

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF URANTIA BROTHERHOOD
TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL

For the Year 1961

Others have carefully and thoroughly delineated the activities of the Brotherhood during the past year. My report, therefore, shall consist of a brief message, a warning, and a hope for the future.

The concept of the kingdom as presented by the Master has largely failed on earth. A social organization has supplanted the kingdom of the divine brotherhood, albeit the Christian church contains the seeds which will someday produce a spiritual awakening—a revival of the actual teachings of Jesus. The Christian church exists as a socio-philosophical system of belief based upon the fact of Michael's bestowal. Thus it is that a historical religion has displaced the teachings of Jesus regarding the kingdom. It becomes apparent that the gospel of Jesus regarding the kingdom has many facets. He never gave us a precise definition. Regarding the kingdom, Jesus presented a number of ideas. He conceived it in the following ways:

1. The temple of living fellowship in the eternal realities of the Father's kingdom based upon the insight of the indwelling spirit.
2. The personal and inner spiritual life of the believer's fellowship and communion with God the Father.
3. The reign of God's spirit in the hearts of individuals resulting in the brotherhood of gospel believers—the social aspects of the kingdom.
4. The true and inner religion of the kingdom unflinching and unceasingly tends to manifest itself in outward loving service for man.
5. The religion of the kingdom is a genuine personal experience which no man can contain within himself.
6. The kingdom of heaven exists within the heart of the believer—the spiritual ideal of individual righteousness.
7. The truth-loving soul, the one who hungers and thirsts for righteousness, for God, is admitted by faith to the spiritual kingdom.

Finally:

8. Jesus proclaimed that "the kingdom is the will of his heavenly Father dominant and transcendent in the heart of the believer."

And we are told that these teachings that have been compromised, attenuated, modified, altered, and buried for 2,000 years will someday emerge to transform the world.

The Urantia Book contains these teachings--man's highest moral ideas and spiritual ideals with man's sublime hope for the future--eternal life.

We have formed a brotherhood for the purpose of disseminating these truths. The success of this organization rests upon us. We are warned that "we may have diversity of intellectual comprehension and interpretation, even varying degrees of socialization but lack of spiritual brotherhood is both inexcusable and reprehensible."

"Mistake not! there is in the teachings of Jesus an eternal nature which will not permit them forever to remain unfruitful in the hearts of thinking men." If we fail in our responsibility, the kingdom will be delayed. The great hope of Urantia lies in the possibility of a new revelation of Jesus with a new and enlarged presentation of his saving message--the living gospel of the fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man.

May we face our responsibility with courage, determination, and devotion while we pray for wisdom and guidance for the great task remaining before us--bringing to reality the Father's kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

Warren H. Kulicke

January 28, 1962

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