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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Noting David Kantor's excellent commentary in regard to a "URANTIA Brotherhood School" and recognizing the desirability of sharing ideas on the many issues associated with such an important matter, I offer the following thoughts concerning some aspects of the structure and organization for such a school.

I suggest that the URANTIA Brotherhood School be an entity with no specific space location whose physical reality consists of geographical "URANTIA Centers". Each URANTIA Society would be such a Center along with others that would be "accredited" by some process involving application and formal acceptance by the existing Centers. A URANTIA Center, as a URANTIA Society, would be relatively autonomous in matters such as structure and activities. A circulating "newsletter" and, perhaps ultimately, a "journal" would provide communication among the Centers. (Responsibility for such correspondence could circulate periodically among the Centers.) Topics for study could be proposed by the various Centers, considered by others according to interest, and eventually reported upon or discussed in both written and verbal forums. All participants in URANTIA Center activities would be "students", while any individual leading a discussion or presenting information might, for that occasion, be denominated a "student teacher". Center activities would likely range from introductory discussion groups for new readers to advanced in-depth seminars for more experienced students and from spiritual encounter sessions to shared-serving of meals and family-culture.

Within a basic flexible framework as herein described, it should be possible to organize in many different ways and for a multiplicity of purposes. In my experience, these options are often unavailable or extremely limited in more traditional structures. Whatever the ultimate form and nature of the School may be, I am hopeful that it will be a living, ever-growing actuality that both fosters and portrays the highest and deepest values, the truth, the beauty, and the goodness that emerge from the Universal Father, are characterized in the life of Jesus, and are, most recently, described so vividly in The URANTIA Book.

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