

Brotherhood Planning

TO: GENERAL COUNCILORS OF URANTIA BROTHERHOOD
FROM: PETER LAURENCE
DATE: SEPTEMBER 20, 1984
RE: AD HOC COMMITTEE ON PHILOSOPHY

This is a report on activities to date and a request for participation.

Having been formed by a vote of the General Council the committee met on August 12th to clarify its task and to develop procedures and a time frame.

1. The task of our committee is to formulate a Statement of Philosophy for URANTIA Brotherhood that can be presented to the General Council as a recommendation prior to its 1985 meeting.
2. The Statement of Philosophy is intended to represent the initial stage of a long-range planning process currently under consideration by the Executive Committee. Within this planning process the Statement of Philosophy encompasses the broadest and most general level of thinking about our guiding ideals. Articulation of these ideals should enable the council to proceed to an evaluation of the Mission or Purpose Statement as is presently embodied in Article II of the constitution.
3. Our committee proposes that the Statement of Philosophy be divided into a number of broad categories, each of which might lend itself to a brief descriptive paragraph. These paragraphs would be developed as a later phase of the committee's work. Initially, we'd like to request that each councilor who so wishes join us in suggesting a list or system of categories that might serve as a basis for our Statement. I have enclosed two examples from Societies now working on similar projects. If you have any recommendations, please send them to me by November 1, 1984. I will share them with the committee for analysis and final compilation.

We will continue to keep you informed of our progress during the coming year. Thanks for your help.

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