



July 11, 1990

Officers & Executive Committee
Fifth Epochal Fellowship
529 Wrightwood Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60614

Officers and Executive Committee Members:

At the regular business meeting of the URANTIA Society of San Fernando Valley, on Sunday, June 10, 1990, A resolution was past to affirm our affiliation with the URANTIA Brotherhood Association. The resolution was passed unanimously by all members present. In addition many members unable to attend gave their written or verbal support for the adoption of such a resolution.

An additional resolution was passed directing me, as president, to communicate to you, the Officers and Executive Committee of the Fifth Epochal Fellowship, our position and status as regarding Fifth Epochal Fellowship.

1. The URANTIA Society of San Fernando Valley is not now, nor has been affiliated with, or a constituent part of Fifth Epochal Fellowship.
2. The URANTIA Society of San Fernando Valley does not recognize Fifth Epochal Fellowship as successor in interest to the former URANTIA Brotherhood.
3. The URANTIA Society of San Fernando Valley requests that any and all assets of former URANTIA Brotherhood now being held by Fifth Epochal Fellowship be turned over to URANTIA Brotherhood Association via the URANTIA Foundation as per Section 12.10 of the Constitution of the former URANTIA Brotherhood.

Furthermore, to clarify your understanding of our position in regards to Fifth Epochal Fellowship, the following are the positions taken on the events of the past year, and more specifically, having to do with the events leading up to the termination of the Confirmatory Agreement by URANTIA Foundation and the consequences of that action.

1. To date there has not been substantiated that there were any legitimate reasons for calling the special meeting of September 16-17, 1989.
2. That in the Executive Committee letter to the members, dated July 24, 1989, calling for the special meeting, a fraud was perpetrated upon the member of the URANTIA Brotherhood in that;

- a. The letter stated "the Executive Committee was currently considering the impact on the URANTIA Brotherhood's relationship with URANITA Foundation..."
 - b. When in fact you had already concluded amongst yourselves (the Executive Committee) upon your course of action and had even communicated your position to URANTIA Foundation in a letter dated, July 21, 1989.
 - c. And, as evidenced in the report on the special meeting of September 16-17, 1989, the real reason for the meeting was the orchestration by you, the Executive Committee, of the support of the General Councilors for the decision-actions already taken by the Executive Committee.
3. During the special meeting, the decision-action of the General Councilors, to affirm the actions of the Executive Committee and direct them to "re-establish a separate office services operation/staff." was a gross miscarriage of their responsibility to the members of the URANTIA Brotherhood and to true democratic process.
4. That you (the Executive Committee) in your decision-action to disallow the URANTIA Foundation to review a potentially harmful letter did so knowing the resultant termination of the Confirmatory Agreement. This fact was attested to by David Elders at the FUSLA meeting in January this year in Culver City, California. This was in response to a direct question by a FUSLA member if you (the Executive Committee) were aware of what would happen if you did not submit to URANTIA Foundation the letter requested for review. The letter in question was dated in early October and sent to the members of the URANTIA Brotherhood as a report of the special meeting.
5. That by actions leading up to and the termination of the Confirmatory Agreement with URANTIA Foundation, the URANTIA Brotherhood was dissolved for cause that you no longer had the tools, status, or integrity to fulfill the purpose as set forth in the Constitution of the URANTIA Brotherhood.
 - a. As stated in Article 2, "ever obedient and subservient to the laws of this country and of all countries wherein URANTIA Brotherhood may extend."
 - b. For in the Confirmatory Agreement item 9. states "Upon termination of the agreement the Brotherhood shall immediately cease and desist from any and all use of word URANTIA and the Symbol.
 - c. That since the Confirmatory Agreement was and is a binding contract, any organization with such articles in their constitution could not continue without being in violation of their own constitution.
 - d. That the Officers and Executive Committee defaulted in their trust as leaders of the URANTIA Brotherhood by your confessed premeditated decision-actions.

6. To the individuals involved in the default of trust, we implore you to repent of your actions, resign your positions and pledge yourselves to work at the organizational level of study groups.

In all the supposed controversy over the use of the Word and Symbol the URANTIA Society of San Fernando Valley would have in made clear that we unreservedly support URANTIA Foundation in their pursuit of protecting the Word and Symbol as means of identifying The URANTIA Book inviolate. The liberty with which some groups would have in regards to the use of the Word and Symbol may someday be realized and enjoyed by all the people of this planet. But the attempt to short circuit time so as to give to a few now what belongs to all, borders on rebellion. The question at hand now is, would we give the world an opportunity for genuine religious experience, or should we settle for sharing with them the material symbol of a higher government whose goal is to foster such a religious experience, at the expense of The URANTIA Book inviolate?

For the Members of U.S.S.F.V.



Stephen Neece, President