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Christy:

Here is my statement on Clyde Bedell's paper on the Sherman article.
I understand that some supporting statements should be on file along
with his article in case there are any future problems after we are gone.

I have read the excerpt from Harold Sherman's book "How to Know What to Believe" in which he makes a thinly veiled attack on Dr. Sadler, The URANTIA Book, and the URANTIA movement, titled "Pipeline to God." Most of what he said is untrue, for I was present during those events and remember many of the things he talks about.

I have also read Clyde Bedell's statement titled "A Response to a Thinly Disguised Attack on The URANTIA Book." In general, I agree with almost everything which Mr. Bedell says. My memory differs from his in some details, particularly with regard to the Sunday afternoon confrontation. I agree with Mr. Bedell that there was no shouting, no uproar. The room was quiet and tense. I agree that Mr. Bedell went to the front of the room and tried to persuade Mr. Sherman to sit down, which he eventually did. However, I disagree with the statement that Mr. Bedell was the only one at the front of the room. To the best of my recollection, there were several others - the two Kulieke brothers were on their feet, but there was no shouting or shoving. Mr. Mattern was also there, and perhaps one other person. I agree that the Doctor's son was standing in the doorway to the hall and did not say one word to anyone, simply watching the proceedings.

But in general I agree with Mr. Bedell's statement.

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Subscribed and affirmed before me this 13th

day of January, 1977.

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Signature of Notary

My Commission Expires October 12, 1980