

Ministries of Compassion

5. We recommend that the Conference establish a Prison Awareness Sunday concurrent with Peace With Justice Sunday, and that promotion of it by the Board of Church and Society emphasize that a portion of the Peace With Justice special offering remains in the Annual Conference, some of which is applied directly to prison ministry.

R-5 was approved and referred to the Board of Church and Society.

6. We recommend that the Conference retain the present system of distributing Golden Cross, Christmas Offering, and Conference budgeted support money to the Benevolent Homes in proportion to the number of Medical Assistance Days they record. We further recommend that the Conference per member goal for giving to the Benevolent Homes be increased to \$5/ member: \$3/member from Golden Cross and Christmas offerings by \$.50/member increments over the next four years, and \$2/member from the benevolence budget.

R-6 was approved and referred to the Conference Council on Ministries.

7. We recommend that the Conference Council on Ministries be charged with clarifying any Conference relationship which might exist with such emerging ministries as Endless Mountain Mission Center, the United Christian Ministries, Inc., parish nurse programs, and counseling centers.

R-7 was approved and referred to the Conference Council on Ministries.

8. We affirm the financial, spiritual and emotional involvement in Neighborhood Center by the Conference United Methodist Women, and its local units, and by the Annual Conference and its churches.

R-8 was approved without referral.

9. We affirm the financial, spiritual and emotional involvement in The United Methodist Home for Children and Family Services, Inc., by the Conference and its churches.

R-9 was approved without referral.