

Floor Committee 11: Board for World Missions, Joint Mission Council

Subject: Board for World Missions and Joint Mission Council reports

Reference: *Book of Reports and Memorials*, p. 113-121

Resolution No. 01

WHEREAS 1) World Missions is serving more than 80,000 souls in the 23 mission fields where WELS is training and partnering to do mission work; and

WHEREAS 2) approximately 40 million foreign-born people currently reside in the United States and are the focus of our Joint Mission Council and Global Ministry Committee; and

WHEREAS 3) our gracious God remains faithful in his promise that the fields of souls in this world are ripe for harvest; and

WHEREAS 4) these fields of souls, ripe for harvest, reside in a dangerous world, plagued by sin and constantly under attack by Satan; and

WHEREAS 5) the Lord of the Church has provided faithful servants who continue to carry out the work of gospel proclamation at home and abroad; therefore be it

Resolved, a) that we as individuals and as a synod thank our gracious God for the many opportunities to share the gospel with those around us and throughout the world; and be it further

Resolved, b) that we pray for continued blessings, protection, and courage for those called to serve in places we ourselves cannot go, as well as those who live in these lands, often under dangerous conditions; and be it further

Resolved, c) that we as convention delegates and members of WELS learn more about world and joint mission opportunities by visiting www.wels.net/missions often to increase our understanding of the marvelous work our God is doing as well as the need for prayers and support of that work; and be it finally

Resolved, d) that we fervently thank those whose work in these mission fields has concluded or have moved on to other areas of ministry.

Pastor John H. Boggs, Chairman

Pastor Raymond W. Schumacher, Secretary

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