

Social Concern

INASMUCH as the people of the world continually pass judgment upon a movement or a philosophy on the basis of its relevance to the mental, physical, economic, and social needs of society; and

INASMUCH as certain movements and religious groups have substituted social service for the Christian Gospel and have accused Bible-believers of being "other-worldly minded," manifesting interest only in creeds and not in loving deeds; and

WHEREAS our great Savior and Captain by teaching and personal practice continually urged loving service and ministry to others less fortunate; and

WHEREAS true Christians are created in Christ Jesus unto the doing of such service on behalf of others; and

WHEREAS such social concern in the name of Jesus Christ is commanded in all the Scriptures;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED first, that as an Association we look with favor upon such Christian agencies as children's homes, homes for the aged and infirm, homes and schools for retarded children, hospitals and clinics, etc., which operate on a genuine Christian basis;

Second, that in the spirit of Christ, we lend every support, financial and otherwise, to those agencies already functioning within our Fellowship and that we actively encourage in a wise and judicious manner, the founding and building of such institutions throughout our Fellowship as needs arise and means may be provided.

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