

Approved Schools

IN AS MUCH AS secular colleges and universities have increasingly given themselves to principles of relativism, materialism, and secularism; and

FURTHERMORE because many Christian colleges, universities, and seminaries now openly reject the historic tenets of the orthodox Christian faith by questioning the verbal plenary inspiration of the Holy Scriptures, the final authority of the Word of God, the accuracy of the Genesis account of creation, as well as other significant doctrines of our faith; and

WHEREAS our Regular Baptist churches, having sensed only recently the need of through Christian education in the framework of our own schools, a figure that is only 1 1/3% of our total Association budget or only 5% of the total missionary budget; and

FURTHERMORE because our schools can never be self-supporting except by raising fees which in turn would then force many worthy students to attend lower-cost but heavily tax supported state schools or even to make it impossible for many to obtain further education;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches, meeting in regular assembly at Winona Lake, Indiana, June 21–26, 1964, express themselves in encouraging the six approved schools to provide with all haste possible the necessary facilities to accommodate their Regular Baptist youth, to provide the academic programs needed for Christian service vocations and for those vocations commonly denoted as secular, to provide also the Bible disciplines which will give our youth a sound Christian and world life philosophy, and the spiritual atmosphere which will lead to spiritual maturities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that our churches encourage their youth to first consider attending our Baptist schools as far as these schools offer the type of training needed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in view of the low financial support granted our schools for the performance of a most responsible task we encourage our churches to reevaluate their financial support of the schools and if the Lord enables to take on or increase this support so that the schools may be able both academically and in proper facilities to accommodate in five years double the present enrollment.

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