

Ecclesiastical Separation

WHEREAS the ecumenical movement continues its unscriptural effort to unite Protestant organizations regardless of doctrine, and eventually to join with the Roman Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS the World Council of Churches, meeting in Nairobi, Africa, courted and elected one of the members of the Russian Orthodox Church to the presidency, even though these Russian church leaders justify communism and Russian enslavement of other nations as well as their own people; and

WHEREAS many evangelicals will not “expose the unfruitful works of darkness” of the ecumenical movement and even will maintain fellowship with known apostates through ecumenical evangelism, denominational inclusivism, missionary alliances and community ministeriums;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that we, the messengers of the churches in fellowship with the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches, meeting in Annual Conference in Seattle, Washington, June 21–25, 1976, declare our dissatisfaction with the compromising neo-evangelicalism of the National Association of Evangelicals and its constituency, and our repudiation of the apostate National Council of Churches with its 33 denominations and also the World Council of Churches; and

FURTHER we reaffirm our historic position of full and consistent separation from movements or organizations having known apostates and disavow any fellowship with neo-evangelicals.

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