

The Convention will please come to order.

The invocation this morning will be offered by the Reverend W. L. Clayton of Macedonia Baptist Church, Baltimore City.

Reverend Clayton.

REVEREND CLAYTON: May we bow our heads.

Almighty and Alwise God, Father of all mankind, we come today as empty pitchers to full fountain. We confess our need for Thy love, Thy grace and Thy tender care.

With grateful hearts we offer our sincere thanks, for the preservation of life, for the peace of mind, and for the renewing of our strength.

We pray for these faithful servants of humanity, who have labored these many months in the long hours of the night. May their labors be not in vain.

May, O God, Thy wisdom and power prevail in bringing through this assembly a new climate for truth, justice and righteousness.

And, while we give thanks for a land of prosperity, we pray for the return of peace to this world.

"Guide us, O Thou Great Jehovah, pilgrims through this warring world. We are weak but Thou art mighty. Hold us by Thy powerful hand."

In the name of our Lord and Savior, and with the forgiveness of every sin, we beg these divine blessings.

Amen.

THE PRESIDENT: Roll call.

(Whereupon, the roll was called.)

THE PRESIDENT: Has every Delegate answered roll call?

(There was no response.)

The Clerk will record the roll call.

There being a quorum present, the Convention is in session.

I am filing with the Journal Clerk a memorandum of excused absences for the period November 15 to November 28, 1967. All absences not on the list are not excused.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, we ask that today's calendar and agenda be amended to provide for the resumption

of consideration of Committee Recommendation EB-1, and also, to provide for consideration of Committee Report EB-1, as to the first item which was made a Special Order, and with those amendments, I move that the calendar and agenda be adopted.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there a second?

(The motion was seconded.)

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any discussion?

All those in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No.

The Ayes have it. It is so ordered. The calendar is adopted.

Are there any reports of committees?

(There was no response.)

THE PRESIDENT: Any motions or resolutions?

(There was no response.)

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, I move the Convention resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering the orders of the day.

THE PRESIDENT: Second?

(Whereupon, the motion was duly seconded.)

THE PRESIDENT: All those in favor signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

(Whereupon, at 10:12 A.M., the Convention resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole.)

(The mace was removed by the Sergeant-at-Arms.)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

NOVEMBER 30, 1967—10:12 A.M.

PRESIDENT H. VERNON ENEY,
PRESIDING

THE CHAIRMAN: The Committee of the Whole will please come to order.

The first item—

Delegate Marion?

DELEGATE MARION: Mr. Chairman, what point would be appropriate to call to