

**January 16, 2005**

**The Christadelphian NASU Steering Committee  
P. O. Box 90525  
Toronto, ON  
Canada**

**Dear NASU Committee:**

**We, the membership of the Austin Circle Drive, Unamended Ecclesia, Austin, Texas, exercise this opportunity to respond to the Unity Proposal Package received by our ecclesia secretary.**

**First and foremost, with all due respect to the NASU Committee's good intentions, we, as an Unamended ecclesia do not recognise the NASU ad hoc committee as an official, legitimate representative of the two divided communities of Christadelphians within North America.**

**Therefore, we deny any incumbency of participating in an unofficial, non-legitimate voting process, of such an enormous magnitude that will determine doctrinal compromise and fellowship policy and parameters throughout North America. Furthermore, we conclude that to participate, we would be involving our ecclesia, not in honorable reunion, but rather in furthering encouragement and fragmenting activity, subversive to, and undermining the Unamended community of North America. We perceive this will be the certain outcome of a majority NASU vote; which the "NASU proposal" readily anticipates and accepts.**

**Secondly, we, as an entire ecclesial body devoted numerous Sunday morning class periods in order to examine the proposed NASU for acceptability or not. In this endeavor, we feel that every benefit of the doubt in weighing the proposed statements from both Amended and Unamended perspectives, was allowed.**

**Our conclusion, after thorough examination of the NASU proposal is, that it does not represent clear and comprehensive Christadelphian doctrine, promulgated prior to the "Amendment" to the Statement of Faith; that it is quite ambiguous, if not contradictory regarding pre-amendment, essential Christadelphian doctrine.**

**It was/is our assessment that the current NASU initiative is no better or worse than previous attempts of past reunion endeavors, in North America. The decision of past Amended/Unamended reunion committees was, that distinct irreconcilable differences of doctrinal beliefs existed,**

**which precluded the implementation of honorable reunion of the two communities.**

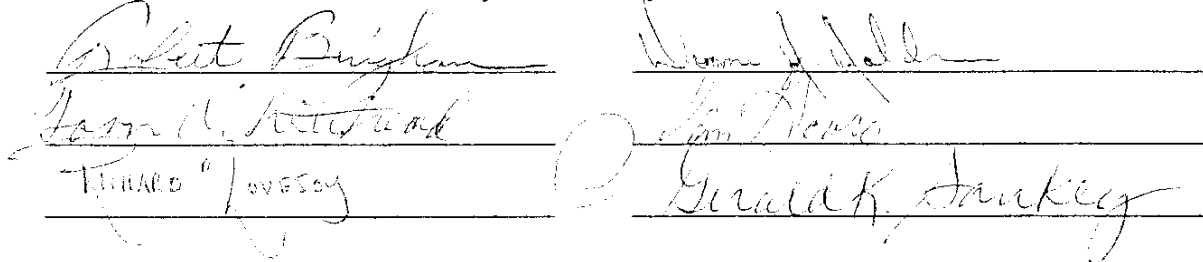
**We have concluded that the NASU proposal does not sufficiently resolve the historic doctrinal differences, of those things necessary to be believed among us for salvation, that will constitute a basis for an honorable reunion.**

**Therefore, "in all good conscience toward God and men", we, the Austin Circle Drive, Unamended Ecclesia, of Austin, Texas: (1) respectfully, do not recognize the ad hoc NASU reunion committee in any official or legitimate capacity, and (2) decline to participate in a voting process, in order to determine the viability of the NASU proposal, which, in our assessment falls short in defining and clearly stating, original Christadelphian essential doctrine.**

**Finally, we acknowledge and duly appreciate the seeming sincere and honest spirit that has been exhibited by the NASU committee. Admittedly, the historical and continuing doctrinal differences were addressed open-mindedly, with an objective to formulate mutually acceptable verbiage, palatable to both parties. Albeit, it remains our genuine, heartfelt conviction that where obvious opposing doctrines exist, there cannot be produced a bridging document that resolves those doctrinal differences, and therefore, honorable reunion remains an illusion.**

**Therefore, we, as a unanimous ecclesia conclude that we will continue in the future, that which we have consistently adhered to in the past: to interact by association, fellowship and meet around the Lord's memorial table, with those only who exclusively subscribe to, endorse and embrace the Unamended Christadelphian Statement of Faith, hereby, renouncing and rejecting all others.**

**Signed by the Arranging Board, for the membership of the Austin Circle Drive, Unamended Ecclesia, of Austin, Texas:**

The image shows five handwritten signatures, each written on a horizontal line. From left to right, the signatures are: Robert Brigham, James H. Wood, THOMAS "LOVESSY", James H. Wood, and Gerald K. Jockey.

**cc: Christadelphian Advocate Committee**

**bcc: Unamended Christadelphian Ecclesias of North America**