## SAN ANTONIO UNAMENDED CHRISTADELPHIAN ECCLESIA

117 Park Ridge Boerne, Texas 78006 DECEMBER, 2004

## STATEMENT OF POSITION REGARDING NASU

To the Members of the NASU Steering Committee:

The San Antonio Ecclesia is hereby responding to your letter of November 1, 2004. Although we reject your presumed authority to call for a vote regarding this unity effort, we feel compelled to tender our vote as an expression of our concern. Our ecclesia has made a good faith effort to consider all of your requests to date and have spent considerable time in study of the NASU propositions including the October 2003 version which you are now presenting as the basis of unity. Please refer to the letters and comments dated May 5,2002 and January 11, 2004 (copies attached). We have attempted to demonstrate our concerns to you brethren over the past few years, however, we have not received to date any substantial response to our issues. We believe, as expressed in the earlier letters, that you do not accurately represent the true status of acceptance of the NASU in either the Amended or Unamended communities, thereby misleading the ecclesias of the perceived willingness for reunion. You continue to place more importance on the unity of all people who use the title of Christadelphian than the importance of the fellowship of God's saving Truth. We emphatically believe that the Amended and Unamended communities do not believe all the foundation truths alike and no dilution or deletion of the word of God will accommodate this unity.

It seems by your own statements that creation of a third distinct fellowship will be a certainty. The very predictable confusion that will arise once the NASU ecclesias have been identified will greatly harm the already divided Body. This is not just the redrawing of the lines between Amended and Unamended, but a certain discouragement to the weak within our and Unamended, but a certain discouragement to the weak within our ecclesias, such that some may leave the Truth. We have already seen evidence of that in many of the larger ecclesias.

As you will note in the attached declaration, our ecclesia unanimously voted to reject the proposal. Although we acknowledge this did not follow your instructions, we believe any ecclesia should present a singular position even though there may be a split vote. We hope that your committee will be straightforward in reporting the results of the voting both in the Amended and Unamended communities. Please report the number of non responsive ecclesias as well as the vote of the those that did respond. Further, if the collective vote is in a rejection majority, then we feel you should take the appropriate actions to discontinue this effort before additional damage can occur in the Body. The admonition of Paul the Apostle in Romans 14:19 is that we should "follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another."

On behalf of the San Antonio Unamended Ecclesia And in the Masters Service, The Arranging Board

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