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Rev. Dr. John G. Innis, Resident Bishop LAC/UMC
Bro. Rudolph Merab, Conference Lay-leader
AA and Office Staff of Bishop
Conference Secretary Rev. Isaac ChupkuePadmore
Our Foreign Guests, Accredited Delegates
Official of Government, Conference in Christ

GREETINGS

Greetings to you I bring from mine and your brethren in Barrobo – thanks and praising to god, by whose mighty arms our gathering is possible.

I. SPIRITUAL GROWTH/ADMINISTRATION

The Barrobo Circuit continues to witness Christ to our people – sacraments are being administered – the days are being observed, while meetings and conferences are being held, respectively.

II. Statistical narratives are further in summary and other major events are in their concise state as follows:

**A. Construction of local churches focuses 15 churches (listing is attached)
Donations from members and pastor:**

- 4 bundles zinc by Pastor David Gear
- 10 pieces timbers by Pastor Isaac Folee
- Cash – US\$ 500 donated by Sis. Geffie of USA

B. Release Received from: Edward Pearl Center:

1. Students copy books 10 cartoons
Pens and pencils and some assorted items

2. 22 choir gowns were received from Connectional Ministry Office – they are in active use now.

3. A motor bike was issued our office by the Bishop's office

C. Pension Office – issued US\$ 810 for pastor support (from IGRC) all pastors got share

D. US\$ 600 was received from pension office for retired ministers – all received their respectively.

E. Agricultural Projects - As sources of future income generations:

1. Circuit women cow project – 2 cows
2. DCS or CODEVPRO – Rocktown Community project now – 11 cows
3. Geffie UMC Rubber project (clear 10 acre of land for use.
- 4.

III. CONFERENCE COURSE OF STUDY

Several attempts had been made as to how to get a reliable schedule with Grand Gedeh or Cape Palmas Districts – we were not opportune to have. It is our prayer to start this 2012 – May God be our helper.

IV. SEMINARS

By March, 2011 Human Right Monitor, GBCS/UMC conducted a seminar under the topic, UMC Social Principles Leadership Development. Also September 26 – October 1, 2011 DCS conducted another one, which focused on sharing experiences of all DCS projects in Liberia – certificates of attendance were issued – Rock town cow was one of the best without challenges faced.

V. BISHOP INNIS VISIT TO THE SOUTHEAST

The contour visit of Bishop John G. Innis enables him to reach Barrobo Circuit on December 6, 2011. The presence of the Bishop was fully felt with extraordinary note — all pastors including the sister churches plus the entire citizenry were in full attendance to see and welcome the Methodist Bishop for the first time. Therefore, as a result, the Grace UMC had got additional five new converts into its membership. May God, Almighty continue to bless our Bishop during his travel.

VI. FINANCES

The conference year was budgeted at L\$ 75,420 – more than 31⁴⁴ had been realized. The following were honored:

1. LUMEF	-	-	L\$ 700.00	+ \$2,000 = LD\$ 2,700
2. Apportionment	-	-	10,000.00	
3. Radio Station Support	-	-	US\$ 5.00	
4. Hospital support	-	-	10.00	
5. Total pd	-	-	-	LD\$ 12,700 + US\$ 15
				LD\$ 17,000 + US\$ 15.00

QUADRINIAL GOALS (PLAN)

The 2011 quadrennial plan has been intercepted by 2012 plan to be as follows:

A.	2012 - 2013	Constructions of modern local churches, women home economic center, including youth center, agriculture – both vegetable and cash crops – pastoral training and re-opening of schools.
B.	2013 - 2014	Construction of headquarter, pastoral and Youth and Young Adult scholarship, animals multiplication, construction of churches, UMC school buildings, training women in home economics etc.
C.	2014 - 2015	Cash crops cultivations as well as vegetable farming, planks or timer industry for construction, each local church to do vegetable farming. Women ministry etc.
D.	2015 - 2016	Local scholarship scheme, youth ministry, enlarging crops farms, building clinic

COMMENDATION

I commend the efforts of our dear Bishop for his tireless connections, the departmental heads, the clergy and officers of the circuit and not forgetting my dear Rib bone and children for their encouragement – may God be praised.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That with mandate, Methodist Districts engage in cash crops, rubber cultivation for financial independence.
2. ~~That~~ to enable the Circuit carry on effective construction of local churches there is an urgent need for chain (power) saw to burst timber/planks.
3. That UMC department of Agriculture be well empowered so as to serve as an agricultural reservoir to all districts for rubber seedings.

May God almighty pour His blessings upon us in this mission journey.

Humbly submitted:



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CHURCH CONSTRUCTION LISTING

No.	LOCAL CHURCH	Number of zinc bundles	Number of cement bags
1	GRACE UMC	8	150
2	1 ST CHURCH UMC	2	80
3	GEFFIE UMC	6	80
4	FELOKEN UMC	6	86
5	LEVI WILLIAM UMC	6	60
6	I.G. WEAH UMC	4	80
7	ROSELINE UMC	6	60
8	GWISSIKEN UMC	4	60
9	GORTUKEN UMC	4	60
10	ST. STEVEN UMC	5	70
11	BOTIKEN UMC	4	60
12	SAWTORKEN UMC	4	60
13	MAFLEKEN UMC	4	60
14	SEATON	5	70
15	JAYE	6	80
16	GORTIKEN	5	70
17	HEADQUARTERS COMPOUND	15	400
GRAND TOTAL ANTICIPATED		80	1,640