

Who said? Who started this policy? —You certainly can't find this in the Letters!—Can you?—Couldn't they see such freedom in the FF Letters? If I start kissing you in your bedroom, I'm certainly not going to stop for a Council Meeting, much less phone up the Chain!—Ha! Hop to it!), and the fact that there were a number of weak leaders and the number of mistakes were multiplied because of this.

Changing the names is really going to help the changes come in to force soon I believe—stressing Servant, Home and Family will help us move more speedily into that frame of mind and behaviour.

Something that really struck me in paragraph 40 is that you are placing the faith in the kids to give (DAD: Amen!) where in the past we have used the taxes to levy extra funds from each colony's income to put into funds to use for overseas—in our case Southeast Asia. I don't know why we just didn't have the faith that the kids listened to the Lord and could see the need to help their brethren in poorer countries, but it really convicted and inspired me to read that. GBY!

(DAD: They may need some encouragement to give—like suggesting 10% of their surpluses for missions?)

Also by stressing the importance of national brethren as leaders, it is going to help ensure that they are seeking real leaders and not just sweet sheep. Also getting the English Letters into the hands of the nationals right away will be a real key in them hearing the Letters right away—they'll demand to hear

the translations! (DAD: PTL!) I remember coming into a few colonies a while back and finding out that the new brethren were not getting copies of the FF Letters until they had finished reading the 144 (DAD: Ouch!), but we stopped that right away, but I bet it could be happening still to a lesser degree. One of the things that strikes me about the new offices:

The Visiting Servants are going to be free to just travel and share and visit and won't be responsible for keeping up with each little detail of all his other colonies plus clearance and PR and all like we had to before. (DAD: Amen!) In other words, it is clear that the Service Centre will be responsible for the printing and a lot of the finances and administration, whereas the Visiting Servants will be free to do just that. The effectiveness of each will be really increased a whole lot, I'm sure. Hallelujah! Thank God for all these solutions! (DAD: Thank the Lord!)

"Colony Rules": One of the main things that we noticed in reading this Letter in Australia was that so many of the quotes were from the New Revolution, and especially since we have this recent pressure on national quotas (DAD: What are these? Never heard of 'em!), we could see that we were nowhere near living them! Lord help us, in letting ourselves get so far from what had already been written down! We had quotas that were passed down to us and it was really almost a formality that the kids should have any say in them. We tried to cut down the number of

Lit Exempt brethren, which was good, but the fact that the families couldn't get all of their quotas meant that a lot of the singles had to get theirs as well, as well as the brethren in the Islands—to keep the national quotas high enough to keep the statistics balanced!!

It's clear that it was all coming from the top and not from the bottom, the kids or even the need of the sheep in the country. With all the lit that Australia is getting from Hong Kong at the moment, we will be getting about one piece of lit to almost one in fifty Australians. Compared to the fact that we have just 18 adults and 12 children in Indonesia to reach over 140 million people, the odds are crazy! (DAD: God help us!)

Having unanimous decisions on all issues will sure be a help in making sure that all have a fair share in the decision and not just the Americans pushing things through.

Reading that betrothals don't have to be legalised really set the ball rolling (DAD: Ha! PTL!) down South, since several kids were praying about having a more open relationship, so we had three in three days after the Letter. It was exactly what gave them the faith to step out. TYL! (DAD: Betrothals never had to be legalised! Where'd they get that idea?—Much less even permission to help each other occasionally—or regularly! Where'd these rules come from?—I'd like to know!)

"Nationalisation": This was a real revelation, about moving on the Americans so that the nationals can move into their jobs, then get the U.S. kids out pioneering like they

always do so well. I had never seen it so clearly before, but it is obviously true. The tip of how things are working in Tenerife with the local brethren leading the physical matters firstly until they can grow into the spiritual area—whereas in the past, we have always waited until someone could do both before they would even be considered. (DAD: God help us! The early church had deacons who were just waiters before they became preachers!)

"78 Here We Come": It blew my mind to read that the Chain of Cooperation would have worked if we didn't have so much poor leadership. (DAD: We're all a bunch of novices, but learning, TG!—I never had a job like this before either!—Ha!) That just really broke my heart to read. And then to read that we are risking the whole Revolution again was really something too! I know that is the Lord's solution to all the things that have been coming up in the gripe letters!

"Where Are the Shepherds?": As I mentioned before, this letter really helped me personally to see just how important it is to be totally frank and really say what is on my heart. I really believe that it will have the same effect on the other kids too—I sure pray so! I had never heard the standard that "failure to report a crime is a crime" before (DAD: You gotta see it in a Letter first—and it still remains to be seen if they'll obey it! God help us!) and it really impressed me! It really makes clear exactly the types of people who should be appointed as Servants—ones with a real heart for the needs

of the sheep and not for their own things. (DAD: Amen!)

"Visitation: How To Do It": Laying out the plan that the Servants are to live up to their names and not to have power to order the Homes to do this and that, but are just there to help them sort out their own problems and situations according to the Letters, is just fantastic! I can see that the first little while it might take a bit to get going and into the swing of things. But once it is rolling, it is going to really develop the kids' own self-determination, as someone said this morning. I can really see that when they visit and don't give the answers to all the questions, but simply keep directing the kids back to the Letters, saying, "What do the Letters say?", it will really bring everyone closer to the heart of David, and make them dependent on the Lord as individuals! Hallelujah! And I guess that's about the best results we could possibly want!! (DAD: Amen! Let's hope and pray so!)

It strikes me that it will take un-

til the Visiting Servants actually come around till the kids start to get the vision and really begin to apply the Letters—particularly in the area of sexual freedom within the Family. They will specifically have to encourage it, I believe, or the kids will continue to be as inhibited as we all have been in the past—because of the negative counsel we have received from leadership in the past. (DAD: How could they dare contradict the Letters and make the kids disobey them!)

I love you both a whole bunch and hope this helps. I think I will take a brief nap, then get on to the next part—about our demotions from Prime Ministers and me from Minister and how I see it. I'll keep them separate as asked, though, so that you don't have to wait until I've finished the lot until you can read it. (DAD: Tks!) Please take care of yourselves and get enough rest—we need you so!!

Love, Keda.

(DAD: GBY! WLY! Hope to see you soon!)

LETTER FROM EMMANUEL & HANNAH, NEWLY APPOINTED QOS'S OF NORTHERN EUROPE!

Dearest Dad & Maria 24 Jan. 78
God bless you and thank you so much for your encouraging note this morning and the verse you got from the Lord. TYL! What a blessing to be able to help in the "Ministry of David"!

After we read over your comments on us being the new QOS's of Northern Europe, we have to say that we both felt quite humbled by

it, because neither of us are even too sure what QOS's need to be doing, let alone capable of being one. Besides, as we've said before,

Our preference is to be "door-keepers" in the house of God, and we'd prefer to stay as close to you as possible, even with no titles. We both feel that we have so much to learn. However, we both felt a certain responsibility for Northern Eur-

ope, because since coming here we have already experienced and seen so many things that we felt the kids on the streets need to know about, that we almost felt obligated to share somehow.

We read "Love Never Fails" together this morning, and were quite struck by the fact that God can really do it, and give the victory by grace, so we felt—

If we don't have to be expected to be any big leaders, but if we have you to help us and show us what to do, and only follow your counsel and instructions, we would be willing to try our best in helping to keep an eye on things till you find a better QOS, and just try to be a link and help of communication for you.

It sure could be an encouragement and sample for other leaders to go right to the bottom and have faith for people to at least take them in, as we know you have picked us up and put us in the sunshine of His love, with all your encouragement and TLC, and needless to say, we do feel very, very incapable and unworthy for you to show us that much love and confidence, and we would really, really hate to let you

down! In fact, it is quite incomprehensible to us, and almost feels like a joke on the whole R, considering all the mistakes we made, that we almost feel like the newest "Mokes" (what a combination, the folks and the mokes!)

"Did God Make a Mistake?"—what an appropriate time for mailing this Letter out! We wonder how many of the kids even read it, because, to be honest, I, Hannah, didn't but just dismissed it because I was "too busy and didn't have time" to read an "old Letter". Lord help me! Thank God you have stayed so dropped out. It is certainly a principle of the way the Lord works, being such an iconoclast.

We need you so much to keep destroying the little systems we set up, which all of us have fallen into sometimes. We would have died long ago if it wasn't for your faithfulness to the Lord and His sheep! We love you and want to help in any way possible.

Love,
Emmanuel Provisioner &
Hannah Charity,
(Ed: Newly appointed QOS's of Northern Europe.)

