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Madison, South Dakota  
December 14, 1965

The Rt. Rev. Conrad Geisner  
Box 517  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Dear Bishop Geisner:

I have been asked by the Bishop's Committee of Grace Church, Madison, to submit this petition to you and your Executive Committee for review and adjustment of our 1966 Quota.

Our petition is based on these factors:

- 1) Like many churches we have the phenomena of unpaid pledges as well as non-pledging members. During the current year (1965), our income has barely met expenses (vicar's salary, pension, insurance, mortgage on the vicarage, church insurance, utilities). Consequently our deficit on the 1965 Quota is \$1,261.41 while our current bank balance is \$17.81.
- 2) On the basis of the 1966 pledges, our projected income should be \$4,682.00, coming from the 25 active family units in this church whose support is exceptional. Our minimum expenses will be \$1,972.00 (see below). As you can see, we will do very well to sustain our local mission without incurring indebtedness while attempting to pay our current Quota deficit.

INCOME: 25 families	<u>\$4,682.00</u>	EXPENSES:		
		Vicar's salary	\$ 2,640	
		Mortgage	1,620	
		Pension, inc.	512	
		Utilities	790	
		Church school	110	
			<u>\$ 1,972.00</u>	

We sincerely hope that you and your Executive Committee will be able to offer some relief to our church to make our dilemma less disheartening and insurmountable.

Sincerely,

cc: Rev. Gerald Richards  
Merrill Hunter  
Carolyn Bowes  
Edgar Harlett  
Rex Page  
William Newcomb

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