Intro: I have come to you as an interested minister of our of the A.F. churches (N.G.K.) because I wish to learn more of the whole background and message of the so-called Separatist churches (wrong name - "Separation" more apt)!

Because I realize something of the importance of closer contact between all Christians of all churches and all races especially in S.A. to-day and therefore my presence here this afternoon must be seen as a witness and affirmation of my sincere desire for closer unity.

How can this be achieved? I believe that this can only become possible when we start with the following:

1. The Bible must be seen by all as the Word of God.

Though the fact that the Gospel of J.X. was brought to S.A. by the whites, the wrong idea arose in minds of the indigenous peoples that the Bible was the book of the white man, the Christian religion the religion of the white man, the Christian church the organization of the white man. This wrong impression has had fatal effects in the miss. labour of the
Christian church and must be rectified.

The Bible does not belong to white or non-white, East or West, civilized or uncivilized—
it is the property of God—His voice, His
message to the whole world of all times
and ages, to all people.

God does not have a special Bible
for whites or non-whites, special
seat in heaven for any special racial
or social or cultural group.

Therefore:

1. Bible as foundation for
Christian and Church.

2. Study of Bible as necessary for
insight into truth and spiritual growth,
as well as full and clear picture of
Christ and Holy Spirit.

3. Study by ministers, preachers and
spiritual leaders (Course in Bible Theology
by T. E. J. )

4. Explanation & discussion with
members of church and group led and
guided by informed leader.
The Church must be seen as the people of God:

1. That we discern who the Body of Christ (1 Cor. 12), the Elect people (1 Pet. 2:9), the Chosen Race, bound in love to Christ the Head and in mutual love to one another.

2. In this Church Christ is the Head and we are all His servants.

3. In this Church there must be no segregation on grounds of colour or race or status or social standing. (Col. 3:11) The differences are not wiped out or ignored, but they become subject to the greater spiritual unity in Christ. Nobody may be excluded from any Church except on grounds of faith and order.

4. Here this Church functions within its own bounds.

5. Study by ministrers, preachers and spiritual leaders (course in Bible Theology)

6. Here this Church witnesses to those without its precincts.

(And in his letters)
III. Unity must be sought as God's will for His Church:

1) Our awful divisions in our recognized churches—the influence it had had on your churches.

2) The wider unity which Christ demands and prays for

3) The nature of that unity

4) The ways in which this unity can be

IV. God's Holy Spirit must be seen as the

Initiator of all life and power.