practical politics the search for cooperation and peace. This requires the pursuit of fresh and responsible relations across every line of conflict, even at risk to national security, to reduce areas of strife and to broaden international understanding." Thus the church is authorized by its new confession to exhort the nation in matters of practical politics and as a church to call upon the nation to take risk to national security.

Immediately this was implemented in a declaration adopted on the war in Vietnam and ordered and directed to be read in all the churches on Sunday, June 11. The Declaration of Conscience, as it was called, said: "We understand this Declaration of Conscience to be required of us by our Confession of 1967: 'the search for cooperation and peace . . . requires the pursuit of fresh and responsible relations across every line of conflict even at risk to national security.'" Thus the call to de-escalate, to stop the bombing, was even considered by the General Assembly to involve certain risks to the security of the United States. Thus the Declaration continued, "Just as our present policy of escalation involves risk, so also does a policy of de-escalation."

But when the nation is resisting aggression and standing up to the Communists and seeking to defeat them, it is not risking national security. It is defending and dissipating the risks to national security which could be increased by Communist gains.

The only real and genuine risk to national security in such situations comes when we are called upon to de-escalate, to stop the bombing, and to do so unilaterally.

Still a second place where risk to national security was implemented was in the resolution on the Peoples Republic of China. Here the denomination, in keeping with previous actions of the National Council of Churches, called for the recognition of Red China, her admission to the United Nations and increased trade with the Communists on mainland China.

This indeed is the one phrase which the General Assembly sought immediately to implement. In keeping with this general spirit the confession also said, "the church which identifies the sovereignty of any one nation or any one way of life with the cause of God denies the Lordship of Christ and betrays its calling." But when the nation is definding its sovereignty against Communist aggression and its way of life in which men are free to worship against Communist totalitarianism, as is the case in the world-wide conflict of Communism, the Lordship of Christ is not on the side of the Communists. The Lordship of Christ is on the side of those who are resisting Communism in order that freedom may be preserved and maintained for the worship of God and the preaching of the Gospel. Actually, the church betrays her Lord when it refuses to stand up to Communism and calls upon Christian people to risk their security rather than defend it because of their loyalty to God and loyalty to their country, both of which in the instance are on the same side. But this is a general downgrading of patriotism and that of country which is characteristic of these forces which are seeking to build some from of world state in which the Communists will be included. To use the plea of the Lordship of Christ to undermine and break the loyalty of Christians to their country in time of war when the enemy involved is aggressive, as is Godless Communism, is indeed a denial of the Lordship of Christ. My friend, with the war in Vietnam and Communist sponsored turmoil throughout the whole world, our broadcast, the 20th Century Reformation Hour, has rendered and is rendering the greatest service to the cause of freedom.

But this new confession or creed of which we are speaking was immediately offered when it was adopted as the creed for all churches, including the Roman Catholic, to be accepted as the ecumenical creed for the building of the united church. We

must have liberty or death. And unless we can get the significance of such a position across to millions of people in the United States, many of whom are being deceived and misled, many of whom are indifferent and unaware, many of whom have been turned against those of us who stand against the godless Communists by their false and lying propaganda, our country will suffer serious loss and our freedom is in jeopardy.

"At risk to national security" is a phrase which every patriot and every Christian should thoroughly repudiate. What God has given us in the United States is too precious a gift from Him to risk at any cost. What our fathers died to leave to us as a heritage and legacy of their faith is too precious a possession to take chances with for any consideration.

My friend, our broadcast is in this fight. I see these things and feel called of God to carry on vigorously day after day across this land and around the world by our shortwave.

I come with the most urgent appeal. Time is running out on us all.

Also this is my difficult summer season. I have to make appeals and I come now with an urgent request that you help our broadcast. Our way of doing it has been honored by our Lord. The enemy is concentrating his attacks upon me so that people will be turned away from what we say.

The T. V. Guide's article attacking us is scandal and has been picked up and used all over the country.

The Conductor & Brakeman, the railroad publication, Saturday, May 6, named the 20th Century Reformation Hour, "run by the Rev. Carl McIntire," as among those responsible for setting "whole sections of the nation . . . awash with a brand of vitriol . . . ." The Machinist, May 4, features an editoral on "radio scoundrels," building upon the T. V. Guide's article branding us as a voice of hatred. The C.I.O. publication for the State of Pennsylvania devoted an entire page to attacking us on this same thing. How sad it is to see a labor group in this country deliberately seeking to poison the minds of people against Gospel preachers!

There is one answer to this. The Apostle Paul has given it to us, "Commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God." Thank God we do not have a Declaration of Conscience as calling for risk to national security. We are appealing to the consciences of men who love liberty and who rejoice in righteousness.

I am stirred by what is happening. In fact, I am indignant at this developement where churches and church leaders are appealing to this nation to take a risk with its national security, when it is this security that protects and guards the churches and keeps them free in their ministries.

Will you respond to this appeal? Here are suggestions and requests: (1) Become a regular monthly contributor in any amount which you are able to give. I will send you our monthly colored envelopes and you can begin at once to help. (2) Will you encourage others, friends and relatives, to help? I must increase the circle of givers. (3) $1000 will enable us to begin on another station somewhere. If you are able to help in this way, don't hesitate. Give today. (4) Perhaps there are some who are in a position to finance a station for a year. It would be a great investment in freedom and a form of insurance. If you are interested in any such project, please write me personally and I will give you the full details on it. A number of people, businessmen and professional men are doing just