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"BEHOLD HOW GOOD AND HOW PLEASANT IT IS
FOR BRETHREN TO DWELL TOGETHER IN UNITY"

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HEAVENLY FATHER, THIS HOUR OF FELLOWSHIP HAS BEEN GOOD
AND PLEASANT TO US. WE HAVE BEEN UPLIFTED AND ENLIGHTENED
BY THE WORDS OF WISDOM AND GUIDANCE WHICH HAVE BEEN SPOKEN
HERE. WE HAVE DRAWN CLOSER TOGETHER IN THE UNDERSTANDING
OF OUR COMMON NEEDS.

MAY THIS HOUR HELP US TO REDEDICATE OURSELVES TO THE
SACRED TASK OF BUILDING THE GOOD SOCIETY THROUGH WILLING
AND EAGER COOPERATION.

MAY WE CARRY INTO OUR DAILY LIVES THE REALIZATION
THAT ALL THAT WE VALUE MOST AND ALL THAT WE HAVE BEEN
TAUGHT TO REVERE MOST BY THE GREAT SEERS AND PROPHETS
OF OUR FAITHS -- JUSTICE, FREEDOM, PEACE -- CAN BE
ACHIEVED ONLY THROUGH THE FELLOWSHIP OF TOLERANT HEARTS --
SEEKING EACH OTHERS GOOD, REVERENT OF EACH OTHERS RIGHTS.

SO BLESS US, HEAVENLY FATHER, IN WHATEVER WE UNDER-
TAKE TO ACHIEVE BROTHERHOOD IN OUR RIVEN AND CONFUSED
WORLD. SUSTAIN US WITH FAITH AND COURAGE IN AN HOUR
WHEN DOUBTS SURROUND US AND FEARS ASSAIL US. WE HAVE
BEEN TAUGHT THAT THOSE WHO PUT THEIR TRUST IN THEE
UNFAILINGLY RENEW THEIR STRENGTH. IN TRUST AND CONFIDENCE
HELP US TO BUILD AN ENDURING TABERNACLE OF PEACE FOR
MANKIND.

Benediction
Thurs. 7/27/58 = Natl. Conf. Ch. & Jews
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(Nixon - Humphrey Dinner)