

## The Seminary Commission report to the 1944 General Assembly<sup>1</sup>

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*The report contained 10 specific recommendations:  
(Dr. Raser reports the “notable” items)*

1. That a Nazarene Seminary, which shall be a graduate institution, be authorized by this General Assembly and that steps be taken to organize and create such an institution.
2. The primary purpose of the institution shall be to conserve, maintain, advocate and promulgate the great Bible doctrine of “Entire Sanctification” as a second distinct work of divine grace wrought in the heart of the believer subsequent to regeneration.
3. We recommend that the presidents of the Nazarene colleges be an Advisory Council to the Seminary Board of Trustees in order that there may be close articulation between the seminary and the colleges.
4. (omitted)
5. We recommend that the Board of General Superintendents and the Seminary Board of Trustees determine the name, location and the time of opening the Seminary.
6. We recommend that the Seminary faculty and at least one representative from each college meet for the purpose of articulating college courses of study and seminary courses.
7. (omitted)
8. (omitted)
9. We recommend that the Seminary be financed for this quadrennium as follows:
  - (a) \$15,000 annually from the earned surplus of the Nazarene Publishing House.
  - (b) \$15,000 annually from the General Budget.
10. We recommend that the equivalent of fifty cents per member – approximately \$100,000.00 be raised this quadrennium for the Seminary grounds, buildings and equipment. Furthermore, that this sum be provided during the first year of the quadrennium.

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<sup>1</sup> As summarized in Harold E. Raser, *More Preachers and Better Preachers*, pp. 27-28.