About George M. Houser

George Houser has been the Executive Director of The American Committee On Africa since 1955. He has travelled extensively in Africa, visiting all parts of the continent on numerous occasions. He has attended all three of the All African Peoples Conferences which represented the Liberation movements of Africa—Ghana 1958, Tunis 1960 and Cairo 1961. He attended the founding conference of the Organization of African Unity in Addis Ababa in 1963. He was invited as an official guest to the inauguration of Dr. Nnamdi Azikiwe as President of Nigeria, and independence celebrations in Malawi and Zambia in 1961.

He has been very active in the Civil Rights Movement and was one of the founders of the Congress of Racial Equality in Chicago in 1942. He was cited for a Jefferson Award by the Council Against Intolerance In America for this work. He is Vice President of the International Defence and Aid Fund.

He is the son of a Methodist clergyman. He lived in the Philippine Islands in his earlier years where his father was a missionary. He studied as an exchange student in China at Lingnan University in Canton. He graduated from the University of Denver and attended Union and Chicago Theological Seminaries. He is ordained as a Methodist clergyman.

He has written numerous articles on African developments, and pamphlets and booklets on both African and race relations subjects, such as:

"Erasing the Color Line"
"Non-violent Revolution in South Africa"
"We Challenged Jim Crow"
"The South African Crisis and US Policy"
Contributor of chapter on "Nationalist Organizations In Angola" in Southern Africa In Transition (Praeger, 1966)

He has worked closely with many of the African leaders now in top positions of authority in Africa. The ACOA has sponsored visits to the US of such leaders President Kenneth Kaunda of Zambia, President H. Kamuzu Banda of Malawi, the Honorable Tom Mboya, Minister in the Kenyan government, Joshua Nkomo of Rhodesia, Holden Roberto of Angola, Oliver Tambo of South Africa.