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"Whom the Lord loveth he giveth work to do." Is that a verse of the Bible? It almost sounds like it, doesn't it? No, you won't find those words in the Bible. Yet they express a Scriptural thought.

You know the great task which the Lord Jesus has given to all His own. It is to preach Him and His perfect redemption; it is to witness of Christ and His free and full salvation. We are to preach and bear witness in various ways and in many places. We are to do it personally, and we are to do it through others whom we train and then commission and send out in Jesus' name: pastors, teachers, missionaries.

It is a mark of love toward us that Jesus thus gives His work into our hands. We do not deserve to be taken on as helpers in His work of bringing salvation to sinners. Think of it: we who were hopelessly lost and damned become instruments of God's salvation in Christ to others! Nor are we fit to be kept on as laborers with Him. How we falter and stumble and fumble in this work! Yet in the patience of boundless love our Redeemer keeps us on in His service and makes our poor efforts

work out for untold and eternal blessing.

Shall we then think it strange or even distasteful that He gives us *much work* to do? God forbid! Let us rather thank Him that He gives us this evidence of His loving favor. Does the big task involved bring problems and great difficulties? Does it summon us to a new liberality of gifts? Then let us go at the task undaunted, imploring wisdom and courage and generosity from Him who promises these gifts to His redeemed colaborers. In this way let us love Him who loved us and gave Himself for us.

The voting delegates to the Special Convention of the Synod are published on page 315. In general, the same delegates who attended the 1961 convention are required to serve for a special convention. If a delegate is unable to serve, his alternate is to be in attendance. Some pastors, teachers, and professors have moved to another District. They, of course, can no longer represent a group in which they no longer hold membership. In such cases, too, the alternate is required to serve.

The special District conventions or delegate conferences which have been announced in recent issues tell us that God's people in our Synod are girding for a great task. These District conventions and special delegate conferences are the preparation for the special Synod attimum in Negariban. The task is

convention in November. The task is such a big one that there must be a thorough preparation. The decisions of those November days must be based on a great deal of information well assimilated; they must take a long-range view that assesses needs that lie ten, twelve, fifteen years ahead. They must be approached with the wise caution which counts the cost of the tower before building. On the other hand, we are confident that the delegates will undertake the making of weighty decisions in the spirit which says to the Savior: "If Thou dost ask that a tall tower be built, we are Thy willing instruments. Only empower and inspire us for the building of it."

Here is a striking sentence which we heard in a recent conference sermon and which stuck in our memory:

"He (Paul) crossed their wishes in order to meet their necessities." The preacher had as his text I Corinthians 2:2: "For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified." He was

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The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us. I Kings 8:57

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Living Epistles Of Christ

St. Paul wrote many epistles or letters with pen

and ink. But in the Second Epistle to the Corinthians he speaks of living

epistles of Christ which he had written with the Spirit of the living God. He wrote: "Ye are our epistle . . . known and read of all men." Christ had been imprinted upon them for all to see. No one can be around the true Christians very long without seeing reflected in them the beautiful image of their Savior, both by word and deed. Through their contacts with the Gospel something of Christ is rubbed off on them which shows itself in their speech and their actions. They believe, therefore they speak. They cannot but speak the things which they have seen and heard.

They show, for instance, that they are living epistles of Christ by their love of God's Word. When outsiders see them go to church Sunday after Sunday, even when it is inconvenient, they comment: "They are good Christians. See how they love and revere God's Word."

They show their Christianity also by the way they live their daily lives, by their nonconformity to the world, by being different from the general run of people, by the organizations to which they belong and do not belong, by the things which they do and not do, by not cursing or swearing or using foul language, by not taking advantage of others in a business deal, though they know they could get away with it, by loving others even under great provocation, by being helpful to those in need and distress, and in general living as Christians should. They are the sort of people who, when under pressure to do questionable things, say with Joseph: "How can I do this great wickedness and sin against God?" That is the way true Christians are built. They function as epistles of Christ, known and read of all men.

There is much talk these days of advertising the church in the newspapers, etc. But the best advertising a church can have is the faith and life of the churchmembers. Would to God what Paul wrote of the Corinthian Christians could be said of us: "Ye are our epistle, ... known and read of all men"!

IM. P. FREY

More Intensive Cultivation Every mission-minded Christian in our Synod

chafes because our mission program is operating at halfthrottle. A serious shortage of seminary graduates is hampering our expansion into new areas and is thus slowing our Synod's growth. The desire of our Christian people to carry out the mission directive of our Lord, "Go, preach the Gospel to every creature," yields unwillingly to cold realities: we lack the men to meet the dual need of supplying our parish vacancies as well as opening new fields in increasing numbers.

We do live in hope. College classes at Northwestern have been growing; the class that matriculated at the Seminary this fall is double the size of the class that will be graduated from the Seminary next spring. The Seminary Board is planning the construction of two residence units to be added to the dormitory in preparation for another increase in enrollment a year hence.

Editorials

In a few more years classes of ampler size will be available for an accelerated mission program.

All this is cheering news, but must we be content with retarded growth until we have more missions? A synod does not grow only by the efforts of missionaries; a constant source of growth in any synod is also the mission activity of each congregation in its own community. Even if there are not enough new fields in which to work, we can cultivate more intensively those we have. There are more than 800 congregations in our Synod; they can do mission work within a few miles or a few blocks of their church doors.

Opportunities to do such work will vary. A country parish surrounded by other Lutheran churches will record only an occasional accession; urban parishes, on the other hand, often have better opportunities for mission work than are found in mission fields themselves.

A congregation that wants to do more intensive mission work in its vicinity can enroll scores, perhaps even hundreds, of families in this effort. When the hearts of our members are warmed for this work, when they are shown how to make contacts and do mission work in their neighborhood, and if the pastor is ready and able to give this work a preferred claim on his time and energy, our Synod can double the number of its adult baptisms and confirmations annually.

Why not make this our goal?

C. TOPPE

The Vatican Council

On October 11 of this year the third general council of

the Roman Catholic Church to be held since the Lutheran Reformation will convene in Vatican City.

The first of the post-Reformation Councils was the Council of Trent, which met at intervals from 1545 to 1563. That Council crystallized Roman Catholic doctrine, gave most of the specifically Roman Catholic doctrines their present form, and fixed that form for all time.

The second post-Reformation Council was the Vatican Council of 1869-1870. That Council declared the Pope at Rome to be infallible when in the exercise of his office he decides that a doctrine concerning faith or morals is to be held by the entire church. This rule applies not only to doctrines pronounced by Popes since 1870, but also to doctrines proclaimed by previous Popes.

It is not very clear what the next Vatican Council in October proposes to do. It is not likely that any changes will be made in the organization of the church. The American Institute of Management has expressed the opinion that under Pope John XXIII the Roman Church is managed as efficiently as General Motors, American Telephone and Telegraph Company, or any other large corporation. Doctrine will not be the concern of this Council. The Pope has publicly declared that this Council "will not deal in new doctrines." He has said that the Council will "extend the dimensions of charity to the various needs of peoples and will present

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Studies in God's Word:

Lifting the Burden

Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light (Matthew 11:28-30).

There are few things in life more frustrating than looking for something and not being able to find it. This is especially true in spiritual matters. Searching, but not being able to find the truth, the truth that alone can give meaning and purpose to our life, the truth than alone can afford comfort and hope in life and death, can drive a man to despair. Luther, for example, experienced this in a very real way as he labored over the decrees of church councils and the writings of ancient theologians, and yet could find no peace for his troubled conscience and sin-burdened soul. Hear his own description of those days:

My fears increased till sheer despair Left naught but death to be my share; The pangs of hell I suffered.

This searching of man, yet not being able to find what he is looking for, has made the psychiatrist's couch a very busy place. We who have found Christ, or rather, we whom Christ has found, usually find it very difficult to be patient and sympathetic with such people. The One who can lift their burden is so near, if they will but accept Him.

Leave Your Heavy Burden With Christ

Dr. Billy Graham, commenting on the recent suicide of a Hollywood idol, is reported to have said, "She could have found what she was looking for in Christ." There is nothing profound about such an observation. Every child of God knows that. But people often have a way of overlooking the obvious. In order to lift the burden, however, we must probe deeper than the fears and frustrations which show on the surface. These are not the disease; they are only the symptoms. The disease is sin. Luther was aware of that, too, when he wrote:

Fast bound in Satan's chains I lay,
Death brooded darkly o'er me,
Sin was my torment night and day,
In sin my mother bore me;
Yea, deep and deeper still I fell,
Life had become a living hell,
So firmly sin possessed me.

Christ does not only treat the symptoms; He goes to the very heart of the problem. His majestic Gospel invitation is addressed to the weary and the heavy laden, to those whose real problem is sin, even though they may not be aware of it themselves. Their real burden is the knowledge that they have sinned against God and deserve His wrath and punishment. Though they may try to tell themselves differently, in their heart they know that there is a life after death, that they must one day face their Maker, and they're not prepared to do so.

These, whose outward symptoms are fears and anxieties, but whose real burden is sin, these Christ graciously invites. He invites them to leave their heavy burden with Him. He promises to give them rest. He says to them, "I will immediately give you peace for your troubled conscience, for I have taken away your sin by My innocent suffering and death as your Substitute. Only believe that and lay aside your heavy burden. Enjoy the peace that I can give you already in this life. Look forward to the perfect rest and peace that I will give you in the heavenly home."

Accept A Light Burden From Christ

Those who leave their heavy burden of sin with Christ are not, however, going to be without a burden. Christ will give them another in its place, a light burden though, one that is actually a privilege. It is the yoke of the cross, which Christians must be prepared to bear in this world as disciples of Him who first bore the cross for us. Though the heavy burden of sin has been lifted, there will still be trials and tribulations, for the disciple is not above his Master. This burden will prove irksome to our flesh.

And vet, compared with the heavy burden of sin which has been lifted from us, the yoke of Christ is easy and His burden is light. The Christian knows that these crosses do not come upon him by chance or accident. They are sent into his life by a loving God and are intended for his good. The Christian also knows that God will never let the cross become heavier than he is able to endure. With each trial of faith God will also provide the way of escape that he may be able to bear it. God will supply the necessary strength for each new day. Hence, the burden of Christ, far from separating us from the love of God, will only draw us more closely to Him. The affliction of the body will be turned to the eternal good of our soul.

Whenever we are crushed by the heavy burden of sin, or when we become anxious and troubled by the problems that we face in a world of sin, let us not seek refuge with human helpers and false comforters. Let us immediately go to the right place, to Him who graciously invites us:

"Come unto Me, ye weary,

And I will give you rest."

O blessed voice of Jesus,

Which comes to hearts oppressed! It tells of benediction,

Of pardon, grace, and peace,

Of joy that hath no ending,

Of love which cannot cease.

C. MISCHKE

Topic:

Is Hymn No. 279, Stanza 3, In Harmony With the Scriptures?

A Lantern to Our Footsteps

Answers Based on Holy Writ

An alert lay reader asks the following question: "In the Lutheran Hymnal No. 279, stanza 3 reads:

No question will be asked us How often we have come; Although we oft have wandered, It is our Fathers' home.

How do we reconcile those words with Hebrews 6:4-6 and Hebrews 10:26?"

Hebrews 6:4-6 reads: "For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, and have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, if they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame." Hebrews 10:26 has this to say: "For if we sin willfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins."

What the Problem Is

No doubt, the problem that confronts the reader is this: In Hebrews we read that those who have tasted of the heavenly gift, the Word of God, and turn away from it cannot be renewed again to repentance, there is no more sacrifice for sin; but the hymn stanza extends an unlimited invitation to come again and again to the mercy of God, even though we have often wandered from our heavenly Father, that is, even though we have often fallen into sin. How can these two thoughts be reconciled? Are they contradictory?

Consider the Prodigal Son

First let us consider this question: Is the thought expressed in the hymn stanza Scriptural? The thought this stanza expresses immediately calls to our minds the parable of the prodigal son. This son left his father's house, went astray. He is a picture of the sinner straying from our heavenly Father. The son comes to his senses and returns with the humble confession: "Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son" (Luke 15:21). This pictures the penitent sinner humbly going to the heavenly Father with his confession of guilt. What does the father do? He has been waiting for his lost son, goes out to meet him, embraces him, forgives him. Thus our heavenly Father forgives His straying children who penitently come to Him. In mercy He embraces them with His love and forgiveness.

God's Unlimited Invitation

But it may be said: This parable speaks only of one return. Will the heavenly Father forgive repeatedly?

What about the words "often" and "oft" in the hymn stanza? Peter once wondered how often he should be willing to forgive those who sinned against him. Should he forgive even seven times? Jesus answered him: "I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven" (Matt. 18:22). Is man to forgive repeatedly and will God forgive only once? How impossible is that conclusion, particularly when we note that Jesus immediately upon Peter's question tells a parable that teaches us that His unlimited forgiveness, compared to the release from a debt of 10,000 talents, should move us gladly to forgive our brother his trespasses against us, which by comparison are like a debt of a hundred pence. Surely, all of this impresses upon us the gracious Gospel invitation of our Lord, extended to those who are heavy laden under their burden of sin, to unburden themselves and find rest for their souls in Christ. It is this gracious, unconditional, unlimited invitation extended to us in the Gospel that is expressed also in the hymn stanza.

The Purpose of the Hebrews Passages

But what about the above passages from Hebrews? Are they intended to place a limitation upon God's unlimited mercy? Certainly not. But they are a warning against trifling with the grace of God. They are a warning against *willful* sinning in spite of Spirit-wrought knowledge of the truth. They do warn us that we cannot sin against the Holy Ghost, against the enlightenment He has given us, willfully reject the Word of God which we have tasted and recognized as something good, and still be renewed unto repentance.

When a Christian falls into sin — and we know that we daily sin much — should he then read the passages from Hebrews and despair? Not at all. Let him humbly confess his sin to God and take comfort that the Lord is a loving Father who longs for the return of the sinner, who embraces him with the arms of forgiveness. But let what is written in Hebrews be a warning against willful sinning, against trifling with the grace of God, with the gracious work of the Holy Spirit in his heart, lest he become hardened and repentance no longer be possible for him.

We cannot help adding a note about the alertness in the use of our hymns and in the reading of Scripture which the above question indicates. How often may it not happen that we sing our hymns with very little thought as to the meaning of the words! How often don't we read Scripture, or hear it read, with only limited attention, or fail to read and hear it at all! It is only when we sing our hymns and read the Scriptures with thought and understanding that they serve their true purpose.

ARMIN SCHUETZE

Thank You, Synod!



Good Shepherd Ev. Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota



The old church which served Bethel for over 10 years, then Good Shepherd for the same length of time.

Some missions wait long and receive a double blessing. For seven years Good Shepherd of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, waited for a new church home. Meanwhile it worshiped in the tiny frame chapel it had inherited from its mother, Bethel Lutheran (Evangelical Lutheran Synod), in the city of its birth. In slow, sturdy growth it build up its membership -112 communicants, 172 souls — in 10 years. These members are the salt of the earth. They were not drawn into the church by a fine building, or an eloquent preacher, or an ambitious program; but by a firm conviction that the Gospel preached in Good Shepherd is the Bread of life eternal. This is blessing number one: A consecrated, dedicated membership.

Blessing number two is the new church plant. Over the years plans were drawn, adopted, and then thrown into the wastebasket. Some were premature and unrealistic, others too expensive. Then, in late fall 1959, the mission was alerted to submit plans to the mission board. A builder with whom the mission had been working, and who knew the mission's requirements, submitted an alternate plan to one that had proved to be too expensive. This basic plan was adopted. Two years were still to go by before the mission received a loan. A slow metamorphosis took place in the plan as it was honed and polished. Finally, early this year, the nod was given to build. Ground was

broken Easter Sunday. A week later site preparation began. In four months the church rose from the ground. On August 26, 1962, it was dedicated to the glory of God.

Pastor T. N. Teigen, Hiawatha Lutheran Church (Evangelical Lutheran Synod), Minneapolis, Minnesota, and founder of the congregation, preached to a filled church in the morning service. In the afternoon, Pastor E. O. Schulz of Redwood Falls, Minnesota, former mission board chairman of the Dakota-Montana District, addressed another large assembly.

Good Shepherd had planned well, it found on its dedication day. The church, designed to comfortably seat 165, could and did hold 250 in the nave. Another 65 sat in the adequate narthex and overflowed into the Sunday school-assembly hall. At noon it found it could comfortably dine 120 at tables, while it had only planned for 100. It was beyond expectations how good the acoustics were and how well the organ sounded.

In some ways the building is revolutionary. It is a basementless edifice designed in three units. It is the fond hope of Good Shepherd that some day the whole plant will be given to Christian education. Meanwhile a 48- by 32-foot unit houses a comfortable, well-appointed chapel. A second unit, whose exterior appearance and size is the same as the chapel, has a 34- by 32-foot general-purpose room,

a kitchen, and a church office. The assembly room is curtained for nine Sunday-school classes. These units are tied together by a third. It is wedge-shaped — 32 feet along its bricked front face and 12 feet at the rear. Its function is to provide a narthex, furnace room, nursery and restrooms. The whole building is well equipped with new furnishings.

Both the chapel and the assembly portion are steel buildings designed by Butler. One man, employed by an architect who has won many national honors for designing churches, said: "If I were to draw a plant like yours in a conventional building and give you what you have — before I drew a line, I would have to put down the figure \$100,000 in the margin."

The cost? \$40,000 for the building; another \$5,500 for the equipment. Besides 50 folding chairs, the only piece of equipment moved from the old church was a Baldwin electronic organ. Through subscription and gifts the congregation raised \$5,000 of the cost in four months. The rest is handled by a Church Extension Fund loan.

To the members of Synod Good Shepherd wishes to say: "Thank you for a dream come true." Pastor and congregation believe that the mission child will soon become an adult congregation. You are bringing it to pass. Thank you, Synod!

H. A. BIRNER, Pastor

By the Way

Are Comparisons Odious?

Comparisons are odious when they are unfair. But if the stinging statement is true that "the measure of a man's interest in foreign missions is the expression of his valuation of Christ," a comparison of our meager efforts in world missions with those of other bodies could have a wholesome and humbling effect.

The Christian and Missionary Alliance is a comparatively young and small evangelical denomination with 60,000 members in 1,200 churches in the United States.

Only a small part of its annual \$4 million budget is used at home. It is spent overseas, where they have 130,000 members and 100,000 Sunday-school students. An additional 34,000 persons receive religious instruction from a force of nearly 4,000 missionaries and national workers in nearly 200 mission stations in 20 countries.

Its missionaries preach in 180 languages and dialects, publish nearly 80 million pages of literature a year and conduct 162 broadcasts a week in 16 languages. In addition to 28 foreign Bible schools training nearly 1500 nationals for church work, the Alliance offers 16 Bible correspondence courses in 12 languages.

The denomination is only 75 years old, but already ranks seventh among Protestant churches in world mission work. It has 850 American missionaries serving overseas.

The secret of this success is, in part, sacrificial giving. It is not a rich church, yet its members give an average of \$60 for every man, woman, and child to mission work every year.

(Condensed from *The Watertown* (Wisconsin) *Daily Times*, December 20, 1961.)

"Enjoyed Your Sermon"

In John Ruskin's later years, it is reported that a Yorkshire countryman once talked with him and tried to tell him how much he enjoyed his works. Mr. Ruskin's reply was: "I don't care whether you enjoyed them; did they do you any good?"

(Halford Luccock, The Acts of the Apostles, Vol. II, p. 68.)

Questionable Means

A disturbed Catholic asked Our Sunday Visitor (March 6, 1960):

"Are monies acquired by way of raffles, suppers, dances, and the like allowed to be spent to make the church more beautiful?"

The question - and - answer man counseled:

"Certainly. Why not? The money was freely donated for a good purpose, and among the many good purposes for which it could be used is the adornment of the house of God. Many people prefer to donate to the church indirectly, that is, they like to have a good time in Catholic social activities like picnics, suppers, etc., and spend their money lavishly, knowing that the net proceeds go to the good cause.

"You may be thinking that it is illgotten money. But games of chance
are in themselves licit. Sometimes,
indeed, for reason of public policy,
the civil law prohibits them, at least
in certain cases. The civil law then
puts its disapproval upon such practices. But in certain cases some
practices, though questionable in
appearance, cannot obviously be
placed in this category."

Almost a direct reply to this was printed in *The Christian Century* (July 29, 1959): "One need not travel far in America Protestantism to find money-raising schemes that approximate the Roman Catholic's exploitation of games of chance, which we deplore and protest. Thousands of Protestant church bazaars, carnivals and 'summer fairs' — euphemisms cluster around this form of commercialism! — are slightly more respectable than Las Vegas."

But there are hopeful signs. The article continues: "Whole denominations and countless congregations have begun to rely on Christian motivation and methods for the necessary activities of the church. But so long as millions of dollars a year are raised through questionable means, the churches must work to correct the image they present to the world.

"Suppose such a reform should occur, what would happen? First of all, the churches would not 'go under' — and if any did, they would deserve to."

Is It a Worthy Cause?

A seemingly endless flow of secondclass mail comes to my box. All of it is at least opened and given cursory attention. Some of it is returned to the post office marked "Refused." Much of it is "junk mail," as some call it, even the carrier who makes his living to deliver it.

Frequently there are offers of things to sell to make money for the church painlessly and plentifully, some of them so silly that I blush to think what a dupe the sponsors must take me to be.

Disabled veterans, boys' ranches, faith missions, societies for the blind, arthritic, epileptic — some legitimate, perhaps. But how do I know?

Recently there was a newcomer. Where did he get my name? Dr. Mc Blank (that's not his name, though) uses a red cross on his letterhead. In enviably vivid language he reports that his hospital in Central America has been wiped out by a hurricane. Realistic, heart-rending photographs help to tell the terrible tale of disaster and suffering. He outlines what gifts of \$2.00 to \$1,000 will do.

But is it a worthy cause? Who is this man? He gives no references. Am I a priest or a Levite if I decline to help? Would not the Red Cross come to the rescue in such a desperate case? Are there not philanthropists and foundations ready to relieve such purportedly major distress? Is his hospital church-connected? He does not say. But if so, why does he not appeal to his denomination?

Is it good stewardship for me to support this venture when my Synod's missions, homes for the aged and handicapped, home-finding societies, area high schools, our General Relief Committee, our Church Extension Fund, and my own congregation need all the support I can afford?

May I rob Peter, whom I know and who has a legitimate claim on my support, to help a Paul whom I do not know and whose cause is only remotely, if at all, my responsibility?

Direct from the Districts

Arizona-California

Arizona News

Good Shepherd, Phoenix, installed John Eaton as principal and teacher of the upper grades in its school on November 9, 1962. In the same service Miss Carol Matsunaga, formerly of our East Fork Mission, was inducted as teacher of the lower grades. Mr. Eaton, a 1962 graduate of New Ulm, is the first graduate of Redeemer School, Tucson, to enter the teaching ministry.

Redeemer, Tucson, added a tenth member to its school faculty, Mrs. Helen Shaw, who will teach the third session of kindergarten, in which 90 are enrolled. The total school enrollment for this year is 295.

Using Church Extension Funds, the District Mission Board has taken the first step in founding two new Arizona missions with the purchase of sites in Scottsdale (near Phoenix) and on the far east side of Tucson. The missions are to be named Salem and Holy Cross respectively. The latter mission is the first for Tucson since 1947. In that time the city has grown in population from less than 48,000 to over 228,000 people. This tremendous growth and expansion, while making new fields for mission, has pushed land prices up to a point almost out of reach of our limited Church Extension Funds. Readers will have noted (on page 277 of the September 9 issue) that three mission sites were purchased in Wisconsin for \$49,150.00 while at the same time \$54,444.00 were required to purchase just these two sites. Certainly, the "world" with its materialistic, money-hungry ideals is an enemy to be combated in this mission work. - Two men at the present time have calls to begin work in these new

The Lutheran Spiritual Welfare Commission has called the Rev. Walter Diehl of Tempe and Mesa to serve the Synod's servicemen stationed at Williams AFB, which is located about 12 miles from Mesa.

Pilgrim, Mesa, is planning to build a multipurpose room, 24'x60', which is to serve primarily for Sunday school. With members providing the labor for carpentry and painting, the congregation expects to keep the cost at about \$5,000.00.

Pastor Carl Metz, who has served the inmates at Arizona State Prison, Florence, is taking a year's leave of absence. The assignment of a new institutional pastor has not yet been made.

M. C. NITZ

Northern Wisconsin

New Schools

Two new parochial schools are making their appearance in our District. Redeemer Lutheran School, a new one in Fond du Lac, opened its doors in September with an enrollment of 43 pupils. All eight grades are taught. Clare Reiter is the pastor. The school is attached to the church and is of matching brick. The dedication service was held on the 23rd of September at 2:30 with Pastor Waldemar Pless of Milwaukee, who was Redeemer's first pastor, as preacher for the service.

A new school building is being erected at Liberty, near Manitowoc, in Pastor S. Kugler's congregation. The foundation is laid.

New Churches

Pastor Richard Ziesemer's Zion Congregation of Ripon has engaged an architect to draw plans for a new church. This congregation will also relocate on land purchased some years ago.

Trinity Lutheran Church at Red Granite, of which Rev. Donald Johnson is pastor, is also building a new church home several blocks from the old location. The former church (not very old) has already proved to be too small.

High Schools

Winnebago Lutheran Academy at Fond du Lac began with an opening service on September 5. There are 227 students attending this year. This represents an increase of 10 over last year. By classes the enrollment is: Freshmen, 50; Sophomores, 58; Juniors, 62; and Seniors, 57. Mrs. Dolores Grebe is the new teacher in

the commercial department. There is a vacancy on the faculty because of the recent resignation of Prof. Martin Drews. Football was introduced as a sport for the first time this year.

Manitowoc Lutheran High School began with a student body of 155. This represents a gain of 23. There are no new teachers on the staff. The picture by classes is: 47 Freshmen, 37 Sophomores, 38 Juniors, and 33 Seniors.

Fox Valley High School at Appleton began its school year on August 27 with 348 students, a gain of 14. Miss Karen Pahl is a new teacher in the commercial department. There is need for another teacher in the English department. Mrs. Frederick Thierfelder is substituting in this department. The total enrollment of our three area high schools is 730.

Synod House

The Synod House at the Corner of Park and Merrill Streets in Fond du Lac has been sold. This large brick dwelling, formerly called Katherine Hall, once housed the girls of the emergency teachers course which was conducted at Winnebago Lutheran Academy.

Installations

Pastor Joel Sauer, formerly of Campbellsport, was installed in St. John's Lutheran Church at Grover on the last Sunday in August, and Pastor John J. Wendland, formerly of Reedsville, Wisconsin, was installed at Salem Lutheran Church, Escanaba, Michigan, on September 2.

Calls

Pastor Wilbert E. Schultz of Denmark, Wisconsin, has accepted a call to Zion Lutheran Church at Cambria.

. . . Pastor Harvey Heckendorf of Eldorado-Ridge Road has accepted a call to Reedsville, Wisconsin, near Manitowoc. He will leave about the end of September.

Sunday School Teachers Conference

The Sunday-school teachers of the Lake Superior Conference met on September 16 at Zion Lutheran Church in Peshtigo. Pastor Donald Laude of Coleman is the chairman of this conference.

Conferences

The Rhinelander Pastoral Conference met on September 10 at Hiles with Pastor J. Kingsbury as host. The Winnebago Pastoral Conference met Monday, September 17, at St. Lucas Church, Kewaskum, Pastor D. Bitter, host. The Fox River Valley Pastoral Conference met at Wrightstown, H. Pussehl, pastor, on September 18.

Prof. John Meyer preached the ordination and installation sermon based on Luke 22:28-30 for the occasion of the ordination of his son, Arnold Meyer, to the ministry. Pastor Meyer was formerly a teacher at

Brillion. The service took place at St. John's, Town Center, September 2. Pastor W. A. Wojahn preached his last sermon there on August 26. He will reside in Manitowoc. His retirement comes about two years short of his fiftieth anniversary in the ministry. Before coming to Center, Pastor Wojahn served the Eldorado-Ridge Road congregations near Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

This and That

At Markesan, St. John's (Pastor Geo. Kobs), the chancel of the church has been remodeled and a new altar rail installed this past summer. . . . Pastor Donald Bitter of Kewaskum is vacancy pastor of Immanuel at Campbellsport. . . Faith Church, Pastor John Mattek, in Fond du Lac

observed the first anniversary of its new building with a special service in August. Prof. Carl Leyrer of Northwestern College preached the sermon. Since dedication 55 persons have joined the congregation through transfer. The membership now is almost 500.

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showing that Paul knew very well the kind of preaching which would have tickled the fancy of the Greeks, but that he brought them, not what they wanted, but what they needed, the Gospel of Jesus Christ and His atoning, all-sufficient sacrifice.

The Academy Opens a New School Year

Parents of our students and other friends of the Academy who had assembled on Tuesday, September 4, to open our new school year with a divine service were shocked when they saw what extensive damage a hailstorm that had struck just two days before had inflicted upon our buildings. The storm hit with great violence and without warning about three o'clock on Sunday afternoon. Hailstones, some as large as - well, they were considerably larger than golf balls - shot through double-strength glass on southern and eastern exposures, shredded shades, and ripped blinds with a fury that surpasses imagination. Contrary to the usual pattern, this storm began with a swirling black cloud overhead that suddenly loosed its load of hail and over two inches of rain upon Mobridge, and, according to reports, only upon Mobridge. Yes, we are thankful that the storm did not strike two days later in the midst of our opening

Forty new students presented themselves, some entering the upper classes, so that we now have 32 Freshmen, 28 Sophomores, 19 Juniors, and 24 Seniors — 103 in all. Since we closed last June with 88, including the graduates, the present enrollment represents a considerable gain. Analyzing this, we find that the ratio now is about one student to every 70 communicants in our District.

The girls' dormitory now houses 53, its absolute capacity. If some girls had not withdrawn their application shortly before the opening day and others had been willing to accept a deferred status until that time, we would have had an overflow of nine girls, a condition for which we have no offhand solution.

In the boys' dormitory we are now housing 39. Anyone familiar with that building will no doubt ask how we do it. We in turn ask, "What would we have done, had the boy-girl enrollment ratio been reversed?" These



Hailstorm Hits Mobridge

President R. Fenske surveys the damages; the janitor is boarding up faculty room windows.

are the ever-present possibilities that constitute our bittersweet problems.

However, we are off to a good start. With the induction of Tutors Richard Kuckhahn, Charles Flunker, and Jon Kietzer in the opening service, the roster of our faculty and of the campus personnel is complete. Now we shall await the Lord's further blessings.

R. A. FENSKE



--- Conscience?

CREATION TESTIFIES TO THE EXISTENCE OF GOD

How can we know that there is a God? Every man's conscience tells him that there is. But is the testimony of conscience reliable? Is there any other evidence for the existence of God?

A Tell-Tail Trail

A deer traveling over the snow-dusted earth of the forest leaves a telltale trail. The hunter stalks it by following its tracks. Similarly, God has in countless ways left a trail revealing His presence. To the discerning eye and thoughtful mind the evidence of God's existence and of His activity is not only unmistakable but profuse. The Apostle Paul reminded the people of Lystra in Asia Minor that "the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein" has not left Himself "without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness" (Acts 14:15-17).

The Testimony of Creation

Only a moment's reflection on the wonders of our amazing universe will bring an honest and sincere searcher after the truth to the conviction that there is a God. Indeed, such reflection will even convince him that God is an eternal and omnipotent Divine Being, "because that which may be known of God is manifest in (plain to) them; for God hath showed it unto them. For the invisible things of him (that is, God's attributes or characteristics) from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse" (Rom. 1:19, 20).

"The Timepieces" in the Heavens

A precision watch has dozens of tiny, delicate parts. It requires a watchmaker's skill to fit each part into its proper place. Would anyone be so foolish as to claim that all these parts of the watch can come into existence by themselves? Must not someone plan, design, and manufacture them? Would anyone deny that it requires

an intelligent and skillful hand to assemble all these intricate parts in exactly the right way so that the watch will run? Many an inquisitive lad, having taken apart the family alarm clock, has learned this lesson to his embarrassment and dismay.

But now consider the heavens. What a grand design they display! What a magnificent, awe-inspiring spectacle they present to the eye of man! The limitless reaches of space filled with galaxies of countless stars stagger the imagination and defy the measurement of finite man. The astronomer Sir James Jeans makes this comparison: "Put three grains of sand inside a vast cathedral, and the cathedral will be more closely packed with sand than space is with stars." The heavenly bodies, so massive and yet so accurate in their movements that we set our timepieces by them, fulfill their God-given function with faultless precision and never-failing regularity. They serve "for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years" (Gen. 1:14). What wisdom, what power, what glory their Maker must possess! Truly, "the heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament showeth his handywork" (Ps. 19:1).

Every House Has a Builder

There is no God? Who else but God designed and created the human eye with its marvelous sensitivity to light and color? Who else but God is the Creator of the human mind with its amazing capacity to learn and to recall a fantastic store of information? Who else but God created that mystery called life? The flowers with their perennial pageant of breath-taking beauty? The vast seas? The mountains towering toward heaven in their rugged majesty? "Every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God" (Heb. 3:4).

How forcefully creation corroborates the testimony of man's conscience that there is a God, a Creator, Ruler, and Judge to whom man is accountable for all his deeds! But who is He? Only from the Scriptures do we learn to know Him as the God of all mercy and grace.

WILBERT R. GAWRISCH

Editorials

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to them, in a manner most clear, the message of Christ." Everyone is at liberty for the present to understand that as he will; it is sufficiently vague to cover many interpretations, except of course, that any change in doctrine is contemplated. That has been ruled out.

So it would appear that Pope John feels that the time is now ripe to call the Eastern Orthodox Church

back into the Roman fold, to extend a welcome to the Church of England, and to hold out a welcoming hand also to various Protestant bodies urging them to repent and to come back to Rome. He may very well feel that the Ecumenical Movement has weakened Protestant resistance and that many are ready to admit that they should never have left the Church of Rome and that the Reformation was all a mistake. One thing is certain: Rome itself will not repent or change, and any churches that return to Rome will do so strictly on the Pope's terms.

E. E. KOWALKE

SPECIAL CONVENTION of the Wisconsin Evangelical **Lutheran Synod**

A special convention of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod will be held, God willing, at Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota, November 7 to 9, 1962.

As determined by the Constitution of the Synod, Article IX, Representation, Section 2: "The delegates of the immediately preceding convention shall serve as delegates to special conventions." The voting delegates listed on pages 4 and 5 of the 1961 Proceedings of the Thirty-Sixth Convention, or their alternates as certified by the respective District Secretaries, shall serve as voting delegates at this special convention.

The purpose of this special convention is stated in the 1961 Proceedings, Report of Floor Committee No. 5, Resolution No. 2: "Be it resolved, That this Convention . . . (3.) Request the Synodical Council to determine whether to submit the recommendations of the Planning Committee following their evaluation of the Consultant's Report to the next regular Convention of the Synod or to a special Synodical Convention called for this purpose."

The Synodical Council resolved on May 17, 1962: "The motion prevailed that we have a special Synod Convention to consider the report of the Educational Consultant August 7-10, 1962, at Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota, if the summary of the report of the Educational Consultant is available by the time of the District Conventions: otherwise that it be held not before October 1,

Additional matters of business are: 1) the Commission on Doctrinal Matters will seek directives concerning attendance at certain proposed theological discussions; 2) The Madison Student Mission Board will present recommendations concerning its work: 3) the Lutheran Spiritual Welfare Commission will seek an appropriation for the calling of contact pastors to serve our military personnel; 4) a special committee will present for consideration a report relative to the forthcoming Synodical Conference Convention.

The special Convention will begin with a worship service with Holy Communion Wednesday, November 7, 10:00 A.M., in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, corner of State and 2nd North Street, New Ulm, W. J. Schmidt and T. Henning, pastors. Pastor Carl Mischke of the Planning Committee will preach the sermon.

The opening session will be held at Dr. Martin Luther College auditorium Wednesday, November 7, at 2:00 P.M. Delegates are reminded to arrive early enough in order to allow sufficient time for registration before the beginning of the session.

Daily sessions will be held as follows: morning, 9:00 to 11:45 A.M.; afternoon, 2:00 to 5:00 P.M.; evening, 7:00 to 9:00 P.M.

Housing for the delegates will be provided in the dormitories of Dr. Martin Luther College. All meals will be served to bona fide delegates in the College cafeteria. Visitors will be served if meal tickets are purchased in advance of the meal.

All reservations should be returned to the Housing Committee no later than October 19. Please address all requests for reservations to The Convention Housing Committee, Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota.

Mail sent to delegates during the convention should be addressed in care of Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota. Delegates may be reached by telephone by calling New Ulm, Elmwood 4-5919 (Administration Office), or, Elmwood 4-2054 (Dean's Office).

PAUL R. HANKE, Secretary

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Should any committee or board deem it advisable to be represented by more than its chairman, the expenses of additional representatives should be borne by the administration item in their adopted budgets.

OSCAR J. NAUMANN, President

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CONVENTION

OF THE SYNODICAL CONFERENCE

The 47th Regular Convention of the Ev. Lutheran Synodical Conference will be held, God willing, in St. James Lutheran Church, N. Fremont & W. Dickens, Chicago 14, Ill., the Rev. Herbert W. Nommensen, pastor, November 13-15, 1962. The convention will begin with a Communion service, 10 a.m., Central Standard Time. [See "Special Notice" below—Ed.]

Delegates and Visitors will arrange for their own housing. Information regarding accommodations may be secured from Dr. Martin Piehler, 77 W. Washington, Room 715, Chicago 2, Ill., or the Rev. H. W. Nommensen, 2046 Fremont St., Chicago 14,

All reports and memorials must be sent by September 15, and the names of all dele-gates and alternates as soon as possible, to the secretary, Dr. H. J. A. Bouman, 801 De Mun Ave., St. Louis 5, Mo.

HERBERT J. A. BOUMAN, Secretary

OPENING SERVICE FOR SYNODICAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES

Our sister congregation, St. Paul's Church of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, has invited the delegates and pastors of our Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod to attend a joint Communion service on Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 10 a.m. C.S.T. Professor Julian Anderson of Bethany Seminary, Mankato, and vice-president of the Synodical Conference, will be speaking and Professor B. W. Teigen of Bethany College will serve as liturgist. The church is located at 2215 W. North Ave., Chicago.

OSCAR J. NAUMANN, President

CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

ARIZONA-CALIFORNIA

FALL PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Tuesday, Oct. 30 — Thursday, Nov. 1, 1962.

Place: Grace Lutheran Church, Glendale, Ariz.; R. H. Zimmermann, host pastor. A Reformation service with Communion will be held on Wed. evening. Those attending the conference are asked to provide for their own meals and lodging.

DUANE K. TOMHAVE, Secretary, pro tem

MINNESOTA

SPECIAL CONVENTION OF THE DISTRICT

The Minnesota District Convention, which recessed June 14, 1962, will reconvene Oct. 24, 1962, at St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Arlington, Minn., J. Bradtke, pastor. The session will begin at 9:00 a.m.

Purpose: To study the report of the Educational Consultant in preparation for the special Synod Convention to be held Nov. 7-9, 1962.

All pastors, male teachers, and lay representatives from each congregation are expected to attend. Kindly notify the host pastor in due time.

NORVAL KOCK, Secretary

NEBRASKA

REDWOOD FALLS PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Tuesday, Oct. 30, 1962.

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: St. Matthew's, T. Flora; O. K. Netzke, host pastor.

Speaker: C. W. Kuehner (alternate: M.

Agenda: II Thess. 2, W. J. Henrich; Is the Protestant Church Moving Closer To Rome Through the Ecumenical Mobe-ment? E. Gamm; How to Conduct A Sun-day School Teachers' Meeting More Effectively, G. Maas.

WARREN J. HENRICH, Secretary

ROSEBUD DELEGATE CONFERENCE

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Date: Oct. 9 and 10; opening service at 10 a.m., Tuesday.

Place: Carlock, S. Dak.; John Engel, host pastor.

Sermon: A. G. Werre (Chaplain, E. C. Birkholz). Communion service: 8:00 p.m., Oct. 9.

Essays: "A Study of Philippians," J. Lind-quist; Intertestamentary Jewish Thoughts, Phrases, and Pictures Which Cast Light on the New Testament," G. Tiefel.

ALVIN G. WERRE, Secretary

SOUTHERN PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Nov. 5, 1962; 9:30 a.m.

First Ev. Lutheran, Aurora; P. Manthey, host pastor.

Agenda: I Tim. 2, Wichmann; The Relation between Faith and Baptism, Greenwald; Mergers, Gruendeman; Isagogical Treatise on the Book of Micah, Snyder.

Please announce to host pastor. WARREN A. GREENWALD, Secretary

NORTHERN WISCONSIN

SPECIAL DISTRICT CONVENTION

Date: Oct. 10, 1962, at 9:00 a.m.

Place: Weyauwega, Wis., St. Peter's Church, J. Dahlke, host pastor.

Delegates: Same as in July.

Note: This is a one-day convention. Address excuses and questions to Pastor J. Dahlke, Weyauwega, Wis. Pastor W. Strohschein will serve as discussion leader on the Educational Consultant's Survey Report.

S. KUGLER, Secretary

SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN

DODGE WASHINGTON PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Oct. 9 and 10, 1962; opening Communion service at 9:30 a.m.

Place: St. Matthew, Iron Ridge, Wis.; L. Tessmer, host pastor.

Sermon: W. Reinemann (A. von Rohr, alternate).

Essay assignments: Exegesis Genesis 7, E. Weiss; Exegesis I Cor. 6, W. Krueger; How to Establish the Canonicity of the Books of the Bible, L. Tessmer; The Prophet Malachi, E. Breiling; The Baptism of Non-Trinitarian Churches, E. Froehlich; Admonishing the Weak, C. Henning Henning.

CARL J. HENNING, Secretary

DODGE-WASHINGTON CONFERENCE CIRCUIT MEETING

Date: Oct. 21, 1962, 1:45 p.m. Place: Zion Lutheran Church, T. Wayne.

B. R. HAHM, Secretary

WESTERN WISCONSIN

CENTRAL PASTORAL FALL CONFERENCE

Date: October 23-24, 1962.

Place: St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, 113 Sanborn, Pardeeville, Wis.; Rev. E. J. Sanborn, Pard Zehms, pastor.

Time: Conference begins at 10:00 a.m. C.S.T.

Communion service: Tues., Oct. 23, 11:00 a.m. Preacher: B. Borgschatz (alternate: T. Mahnke).

First day:

Isagogical Study of Hebrews, H. Oswald; How much of Pastoral Counseling is Pastoral? R. Hillemann; Review of "Proposed Rite of Confirmation for Children" (Repp), O. Pagels; Reports: President's Report; Financial Secretary's Report; Special Synod Report; Information and Stewardship Report.

Second day:

Exegesis of Philemon, H. Krause; Reformation Sermon, John Meyer; Critique of the following documents: "Toward Cooperation among American Lutheran Churches," "Entrenched Unionistic Practice," "Timely Topics," H. C. Nitz; Evangelism L. Albrecht gelism, L. Albrecht.

Sleeping quarters will be provided for those who request them. Please send request early.

Since all pastors and professors are required to attend the conference, excuses for absences should be sent to the host pastor.

E. J. Zehms, Secretary

DAKOTA-MONTANA TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

Oct. 8, 1962

Roscoe, S. Dak.

9:00- 9:25	Opening Devotion
9:25- 9:30	Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting
9:30-10:30	Demonstration on Notation, Miss Elsa Klein

10:30-10:50 10:50-12:00 Basic Goals in Spelling, Mr. Wayne Weisz

Noon Reces

12:00- 1:15 1:15- 1:30 1:30- 2:45 12:00-1:15 Noon Recess
1:15-1:30 Devotion; Reading of minutes of the morning session
1:30-2:45 Physical Education in Lutheran Elementary Schools,
Prof. Theodore Pelzl
2:45-3:05 Recess
5:05-5:35 Business meeting
3:35-4:00 Your Problems and Mine, Miss Marjorie Remmers

MICHIGAN DISTRICT TEACHERS' CONFERENCE St. Peter's Lutheran Church

Plymouth, Mich.

Oct. 10-12, 1962

Wednesday	
1:00- 2:00	Registration
2:00-3:00	Opening Devotion, Roll Call, Minutes, Chairman'
	Report, Treasurer's Report, Appointment of Committees, District President's Report
3:00- 3:45	
	of Children," A. Herzberg (alternate: "Using an Applying Law and Gospel in School," E. Bradtke)
3:45- 4:15	Discussion
	Choir Rehearsal, V. J. Schulz (substitute: F. Zabell
7:30	Fiftieth Anniversary Service, W. Koelpin (substitute J. Spaude)
Thursday	
8:30- 9:00	Devotion, Minutes, Elections
9:00-10:15	"Guidelines for Teachers of Christian Schools," A
	Fehlauer (alternate: "Promoting an Understanding of
	our Synod to Children," R. Hoenecke)
10:15-10:30	Recess
10:30-10:45	Discussion
10:45-11:45	Reports and discussions: Board of Education, J. Brenner; M.L.S. Report, C. Frey; Mission Report, H. Engel; Evangelism Commission, R. Scheele
	Noon Recess
1:15- 2:00	"Guides for Recruitment of Pupils for Our Christia Day Schools, the Role of the Teacher, Pastor, and
	Board of Education," R. Behnke (alternate: "Pane
	on Sex Education at the Grade School Level," W
	Arras, C. Frey, and M. Spaude)
	Discussion
2:30- 2:45	
2:45- 4:15	Group Discussions (K-2, Mrs. E. Humann) (3-5, I
4:15- 4:30	Rupprecht) (6-8, W. Fuhrman) Synod Activities
4:15- 4:50	
	Gemuetlicher Abend

Friday

9:00-9:15 Devotion, Minutes
9:15-10:00 "The Teacher's Role in Providing a Stimulating Program for Christian Youth," D. Stindt (alternate: "Presentation and Evaluation of the Economy Basic Reading Program," G. Hillmer)
10:00-10:30 Discussion

Discussion
Recess
"The Teacher's Role in Inculcating a Christian Viewpoint into the Academic Curriculum," D. Sebald (alternate: "Developing an Understanding of and an Appreciation for the Order of the Church Service Among Our Children," R. Gresens)
Discussion
Near Recess 10:30-10:45 10:45-11:15

11:15-11:45

11:45- 1:15 1:15- 3:00

Noon Recess
Reports and Unfinished Business
Inspirational Address, K. Vertz

MINNESOTA DISTRICT (WELS) LUTHERAN TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

Lake City, Minn.

Oct. 25, 26, 1962

PROGRAM

Thursday, Oct. 25

9:30-10:00 Registration; Program Committee Meeting 10:00-10:30 Opening Service 10:30-10:45 Reports, Appointments, Minutes

Registration, Frogram Committee Meeting
Opening Service
Reports, Appointments, Minutes
THE DOCTRINE OF THE MINISTRY AND HOW IT
APPLIES TO THE CHRISTIAN DAY-SCHOOL
TEACHER, Rev. G. Horn 10:45-12:00

12:15

2:15 Dinner
1:00 Committee Meetings
1:45- 3:00 Devotion; REMEDIAL READING, Armin Huhn

3:00- 3:30 3:30- 4:30 Recess Sectional Meetings

5.00

Supper

Friday, Oct. 26

9:00-9:15- 9:30

Opening Devotion
Reports, Minutes
TEACHING GRAMMAR IN THE UPPER GRADES, 9:30-10:30

10:30-10:45

10:45-12:00 HEALTH AND SAFETY EDUCATION, Dr. William

Muesing Dinner

1:15-2:50 Report on District and Synod, District President Rev.
M. Lenz; Report from Executive Secretary's Office;
Business Meeting
2:30-3:00 Closing Devotion

H. L. WESSEL

Program Committee Chairman

ARIZONA-CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

Nov. 26-27, 1962

Good Shepherd Ev. Lutheran Church

Phoenix, Ariz.

Monday, Nov. 26

9:00- 9:45 Opening Devotion, Pastor I. G. Frey 9:45-10:15 Preliminary Business

10:30-12:00 School

Music in our Lutheran Schools, Prof. M. Albrecht Noon Recess

1:30- 2:30

Remedial Work in Our Christian Day Schools, Mr. M. Feiock

2:30- 2:45 Recess

Round Table Discussion: Our Grading System Discussion leader: Mr. A. Wilbrecht 2:45- 4:15

4:15 Closing Devotion

Tuesday, Nov. 27

9:00-9:15 Opening Devotion 9:15-9:30 Reading and Adoption of Monday's minutes 9:30-10:30 Inspirational Message, Prof. M. Albrecht

10:30-10:45 10:45-12:00

Recess Sectional Discussion (School Visitor in each group)

12:00- 1:30

Noon Recess
Report of District President; Report of Board of Education; School Visitor's Report; Report of Delegate to Special Synod Convention
Recess 1:30- 2:30

2:30- 2:45 Recess 2:45- 3:00 Executive Secretary's Report 3:00- 3:15 Unfinished Business 5:15 Closing Devotion

NOTE: The conference dates were changed from November 8-9 to November 26-27.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Pastor Herman Winkel has been appointed Secretary of the Western Wisconsin District to succeed E. Prenzlow, Jr., who has accepted a call to The Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod.

The Praesidium
The Western Wisconsin District

LIST OF CANDIDATES

The following have been nominated for the professorship in mathematics and assistant in physical education and coaching at Michigan Lutheran Seminary:
Mr. Eugene Knobloch, Breckenridge, Mich. Mr. Ronald Erickson, St. Charles, Minn. Mr. Duane MacNeill, Saginaw, Mich. Mr. Harold James Boldt, West Allis, Wis. Mr. Harold D. Yotter, Faribault, Minn. Mr. Gary Leidle, Mobridge, S. Dak. Mr. Gerald Snyder, Bridgman, Mich.

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Mr. Philip Storby, Whiteriver, Ariz.
Mr. Donald Boelter, Sleepy Eye, Minn.
Mr. John Heyn, Kingman, Ariz.
Prof. Harold Kaiser, New Ulm, Minn.
Mr. Merlin Goebel, Owosso, Mich.
Mr. Carl Heyer, Ann Arbor, Mich.
Mr. Dale Otto, Morenci, Mich.
Any correspondence regarding these candidates should reach the secretary before October 26, 1962.

Gerald R. Cudworth, Secretary 606 Sidney Street Bay City, Michigan

ORDINATIONS AND

INSTALLATIONS Installed

Dorn, Owen A., as principal of Lutheran Apache Mission School, Cibecue, Ariz., by Arthur C. Krueger; Aug. 26, 1962.

Eaton, John L., as teacher and principal of Good Shepherd Lutheran School, Phoenix, Ariz., by I. G. Frey; Sept. 9,

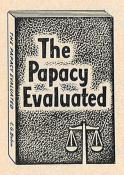
Klug, Ronald, as teacher of St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran School, Oconomowoc, Wis., by N. E. Paustian; Sept. 9, 1962.

Pape, Waldemar A., as principal of St. John's Ev. Lutheran School, Caledonia, Minn., by D. Malchow; Aug. 12, 1962.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Teacher

Eaton, John L., 808 W. Earll Drive, Phoenix, Ariz.



The Papacy Evaluated

By E. G. Behm

This new, revised edition of "The Papacy Evaluated" is not a big book, yet it brings a wealth of material. The copious quotations from Roman Catholic literature make the book particularly valuable. It is on the basis of this evidence that the author arrives at his conclusions regarding the teachings of Rome. Of course, as should be expected of a Lutheran, he evaluates the evidence in the light of God's Word. He expounds many passages which Rome likes to use as a warrant for its monumental falsehoods, builds the reader up in a correct understanding and appreciation of what is actually taught in these Scripture statements (and in many parallel passages, too), and then asks the Christian to reject and to help combat Rome's distortions of them.

Is there a need today for such a book as this? The Preface can be quoted in answer. It points to the spirit of false ecumenism prevailing today and then continues: "It is not considered good taste to speak forthrightly, on pulpit and platform or in public print, against the doctrines and practices of the Antichrist. . . . But the danger coming from Rome is as great as ever. We cannot meet this danger, however, merely by preaching an annual Reformation sermon, by holding Roman Catholics up for ridicule, or by relying on an inherited bias against them. We must preach, teach, and exhort tirelessly. To do that effectively, we must ourselves have studied in detail the soul-destroying doctrines of Catholicism."

It was to aid laymen, teachers, and pastors in such a study that the author first wrote "The Papacy Evaluated" and that he now has revised and enlarged it.

A noteworthy addition is the chapter on "Mariolatry." In no less than 21 pages the author describes the cult of the Virgin Mary as one that has become more and more bold in its blasphemous claims for her who is, indeed, "blessed among women," but who also said that her soul "rejoiced in God my Savior."

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THE CONFERENCE ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

The Conference on Christian Literature, proposed by the Publishing House Board and approved by the Synodical Council, will be held on November 6, 1962 (the day before the Special Convention of the Synod), at Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota. The Conference will convene at 2:00 P.M. (CST) A statement giving you further information about this Conference will appear in the next issue of The Northwestern Lutheran.

The Planning Committee
The Conference on Christian Literature

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