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Studies in God's Word: The "Starting Point" for Christian Actions

Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him: knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord (Romans 6: 3-11).

Summertime is more than a time for vacations. It is also a time for planning the work that will be resumed when the vacation season is past.

For churches this means that summer is a time for Synod conventions, when strategy is planned in the nation-wide and world-wide battle against sin and hell. For individual congregations it is a time when classrooms are painted and re-equipped, when Sunday school teachers are recruited, when mission festivals are planned, when Scriptural evangelism programs are readied so that the unchurched may be invited and urged to come and learn of Christ with us.

These are activities worthy of Christians; they ought to be done; they ought to be improved and in-

creased in number, and that would seem to demand that they receive careful planning. But let us never forget the only starting point for any kind of Christian activity. Let us never think that success depends on the skills and techniques of our planning!

We Died With Christ

If we were going to try to specify the time when we became Christians, most of us would simply point to the date inscribed on our baptismal certificates. "That day," we would say, "I became a child of God." This means more than just a bit of personal history for each of us. Holy Baptism is one of the means by which God worked in us a new life of faith; it is the "starting point" for everything we are and do.

Baptism began something in us because it ended something else in us! The Word of God in Baptism, as well as the spoken Word of God in preaching and teaching, brought us to faith in the crucified Savior. By Holy Baptism we were linked so closely to Jesus that St. Paul can say: "We are buried with him by baptism into death." Yes, we died with Jesus; His death counts just as if it were our death.

That is the basis for our hope for the forgiveness of our sins. The condemnation earned by our sins was death. The Savior bore that curse for us.

But there is more to be said about our dying with Christ. There is a phrase we use to describe something utterly without hope of success; we say, "He'll get as far as will a man 'whipping a dead horse.'" A dead horse certainly won't pull his buggy very far, no matter how hard he whips it! This is what our Baptism enables us to say to Satan. In sin we used to be his slaves. But a dead slave doesn't perform services for his master any more. And we died to sin with Jesus. "He that is dead is freed from sin."

Now when selfishness and sloth and bad habits seek to hold us back

from service in God's kingdom, let us wave in the Tempter's face our Baptism. For it gives us the freedom Christ's death won for us, freedom both from the guilt of sin and from the power of sin over our lives. Let Satan know that he is "whipping a dead horse" when he seeks service from us!

We Now Live With Christ

Just as surely as we died with Christ, we have also begun a new life with Him. We usually think of His promise that we shall live with Him as a promise that will be fulfilled sometime in the future when we begin eternal life in heaven. Indeed it shall be so, for this is exactly what He has said.

But there is also another resurrection, another renewal of life, that has **already** taken place! Let us not lose sight of it! "Know ye not . . . that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." After dying as a sacrifice for sin, the Lord Jesus lives again. That new life is completely free from the threatening shadow of the cross; sin has no more claim on Him; His new life is concerned only with living, living in glory unto God.

We too have been freed from death to live before God. "The old Adam in us is to be drowned by daily contrition and repentance, and is to die with all sins and evil lusts; and that again a new man should daily come forth and arise who shall live before God in righteousness and purity forever" (Dr. Martin Luther, Baptism IV).

Nourish and strengthen "the new man" with the Word and Sacraments — that is the only way we can hope to see increases and expansions in programs of Christian activity. But it is equally certain that from such a starting point we may surely expect growth and increasing fruitfulness, as from branches growing on a fruitful Vine.

PAUL H. WILDE

Editorials

With Flags Flying "Does Missouri stand where she once did?" the concerned parishioner asks the delegate just back from the convention at Detroit. The answer is reassuring. "Missouri stands where she has always stood — on the Bible. We went on record saying that Moses wrote the first five books of the Bible. We made it plain that we believed that Adam and Eve were real persons; and so was Jonah. Our pastors still subscribe to the Lutheran Confessions *because* they agree with the Bible. And the *Brief Statement* is still good. Sound doctrine is safe in Missouri; we made sure of that."

The liberal in the Missouri Synod smiles. Missouri has decided to join the American Lutheran Church and the Lutheran Church in America in establishing the new Lutheran Council in the United States of America (LCUSA). He knows that praying together, working together, and hobnobbing with soluble and accommodating Lutherans in LCUSA will lead to an exchange of pulpits, an exchange of altars, an exchange of members. He notes that Missouri will cooperate with the LCA and the ALC in producing a joint Lutheran hymnal, which will invite the coworkers to sing together and worship together. He marks that Missouri did not wish to empower the Board of Control of its colleges and seminaries to suspend professors who are guilty of teaching false doctrine, thus assuring tenure to false teachers and the right of eminent domain to doctrinal error. He observes that Missouri has declined to discipline its compromising and deviating teachers, editors, and theologians, thus tacitly, yet unmistakably, encouraging them to continue to experiment with the truth and to undermine it. He takes note that Missouri has officially denied that false doctrine is being taught and tolerated in its midst, thus allowing an unrecognized spiritual cancer to spread, undiagnosed and unchecked. He recognizes that Missouri, in adopting "pace-setting" resolutions in its mission program, has opened wide the door to joint efforts with other church bodies, both Lutheran and non-Lutheran, thus giving ecumenicism an unbeatable advantage in a most vital area of church work.

Why shouldn't the liberal smile when he hears the conservative report with satisfaction that Missouri in convention told the world that it still stood on the old foundation of Scripture, the Confessions, and the Brief Statement? Behind that facade of flags the liberal can go about his business unrecognized, unchallenged, unhindered, unchecked. Missouri has surrendered its heritage and destiny to him.

Many a wishful Missourian does not know it was Appomattox at Detroit. The old familiar flags may still be borne in procession, but the guns and sabers have been turned over and the surrender document has been signed.

CARLETON TOPPE

The Non-Organization Man A product of our civilization is the Organization Man. The Organization Man has given himself spiritually and physically to the group life of which he is a part; and with a bad conscience he serves it, often in conflict with the principles which he professes. So commonplace is this victim of the organization life that a book has been written about him.

At the opposite end of the pole is the Non-Organization Man. The Non-Organization Man is not a modern phenomenon. He is perhaps as old as organization itself, and he is certainly not new in the Synod. The Non-Organization Man, as we conceive of him, prides himself on his individualism, which he expresses typically by non-cooperation. In extreme form, he assumes no responsibility for the work of the Synod and makes no effort to meet its budget since he personally did not set it up. Anything disseminated by the Synod or its officers he regards automatically as suspect. All informational and promotional literature he deposits promptly and religiously in File 13, unless he is possessed of a frugal nature and the material happens to have one blank side, in which case he cuts it into convenient sizes and uses it as note paper.

At his worst the Non-Organization Man is typified by the German-speaking church member referred to in a book written by a Lutheran author some years ago. This mythical character was a voting member of his congregation for forty years. He attended every congregational meeting. He rose to speak on almost every subject. And he invariably prefaced his remarks with an unequivocal declaration of his position: "Ich bin dagegen." ("I'm against it.")

St. Paul writes to the Christians in Corinth, "Ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular." Paul here bespeaks the need for cooperative effort on the part of the individual members of Christ's body, the Church. Nowhere is this need more obvious than it is in the opportunities which confront the Wisconsin Synod today.

The Synod will soon assemble in convention to lay plans to make use of these opportunities as God provides the means. It is true that an organization like the Synod can be revered mistakenly as a god who cannot err and followed blindly, right or wrong. But this danger does not provide sound reason for making a fetish of non-cooperation. Peter wrote, "As free, and not using your liberty for a cloak of maliciousness, but as the servants of God." Surely there is a warning here against confusing non-cooperation with Christian liberty.

This confusion is the besetting sin of the Non-Organization Man; and he thereby tends to dampen all enthusiasm for the extension of Christ's kingdom, and he becomes a deadening influence in the Church.

IMMANUEL G. FREY

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Our Responsibility in a Relief Program

In Jesus' reply to a certain lawyer's question, He not only demonstrated the exacting demands of God's Law, but He also summarized the entire life, purpose and attitude of every Christian — to love God above all things and our fellow men as ourselves (Matt. 22:37-40). In addition to the greater responsibility of believing in Jesus Christ and bringing the Gospel of salvation to others, there is the necessity of providing for the needs and bodily wants of the poor and needy, the hungry and the sick, the homeless and the naked.

Before history was recorded, God summoned His followers to assume certain obligations to others. God told His chosen people of old: "If there be among you a poor man of one of thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land which the Lord thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor brother: but thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need, in that which he wanteth (lacks). . . . For the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land" (Deut. 15:7, 8, 11).

The New Testament is filled with similar admonitions, such as the following written by James: "If a brother or a sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, and one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit?" (Jas. 2:15.) In view of God's clear word telling us how to express our Christian love, we can hardly hear of the thousands of refugees from Red China who live in hovels and shanties; of the hunger-wracked and emaciated bodies of hundreds of thousands of children in war-torn areas of the world; or of the heart-rending poverty and need of

millions of naked bodies in Hong Kong, India, Korea, South America and other countries, without feeling the urge and need to respond as Dorcas or Cornelius did. Those individual Christians knew that "he who loves God, loves his brother also" (I John 4:21). They gave of their own goods to provide for those who had not.

Now the Lord has laid it on the hearts of each of us, especially upon us who live in this land of plenty and prosperity, to open our hearts and share our goods and blessings with the many deprived, starving, poverty-stricken people who live in lands of want, sickness, and destruction. Such action was typical of the entire early Christian Church. The Apostle Paul tells of the congregation at Corinth taking up collections, sharing and distributing their blessings with others. The believers in Macedonia and Achaia made contributions "for the poor saints which are at Jerusalem" (Rom. 15:26). One of the first things that many of the converts of the first Pentecost did was to sell their possessions and goods and give the proceeds to those who had need. Their unity of spirit as Christians was evident in their willingness to share whatever they had with others. Can we of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, who profess a love and faith equal to that of the early Christians, do less?

It is obvious that God wants us, as a body of believers, to assume the responsibility of a world relief program. To motivate us for this work, our loving, bounteous God says: "To do good and communicate (share), forget not, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased" (Heb. 13:16). Since the cost of this work is not included in our Synod's budget, your Committee on Relief must depend upon you and your love for the Savior, for the means to carry out this responsibility. Because of God's Word on this subject, your Committee respectfully suggests that every congregation throughout Synod make this program a part of its monthly budget.

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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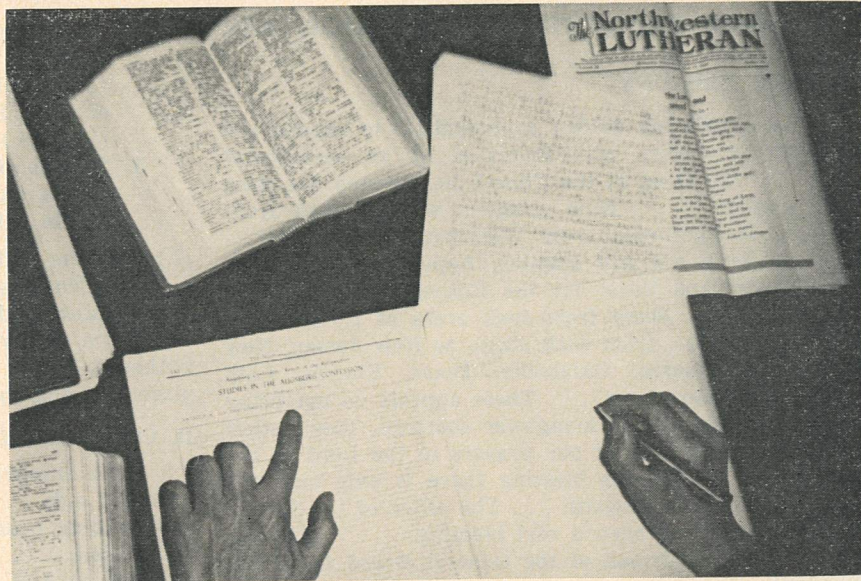
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Utilizing Talents Now

The talents of Chinese Christians, currently attending the theological seminary made possible in Hong Kong by the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, are already being put to good use in serving the best interests of the Lord's saving kingdom. A striking example is the work of the translation committee composed of three dedicated theological students.

In December of last year one of the older students, Mr. Philip Lee, was asked to begin the work of translating into the Cantonese, Prof. Joh. Meyer's series of articles in *The Northwestern Lutheran* on the Augsburg Confession. These would, it was felt, be of inestimable value to the students as they pursued a course in symbolics. As the work progressed, it became apparent that in the interest of translation aptness and accuracy this should be the work of a committee rather than that of one man. Furthermore, it became apparent also that a Chinese translation of a portion of the Northwestern Sunday School Series was needed for the sake of sound indoctrination of Sunday-school children. For these reasons two other seminary students, Mr. Foun Jan and Mr. Stephen Chu, were asked to join Mr. Lee in producing the necessary translations. They were glad and willing to be of this kind of service.

This contribution of talent, as well as the other contributions of talent all of the seminary students make now and in the future, augurs well



BUILDING THE BRIDGE on which worthwhile thoughts cross from one language into another.

for the expansion of the Savior's Gospel kingdom in the Orient. These men are indeed gifts of God to His Church in the Orient. They are pursuing avidly and with dedication their theological studies to enable them to be witnesses for Christ and to give them that understanding of Holy Scripture which will permit them "rightly to divide the Word of Truth."

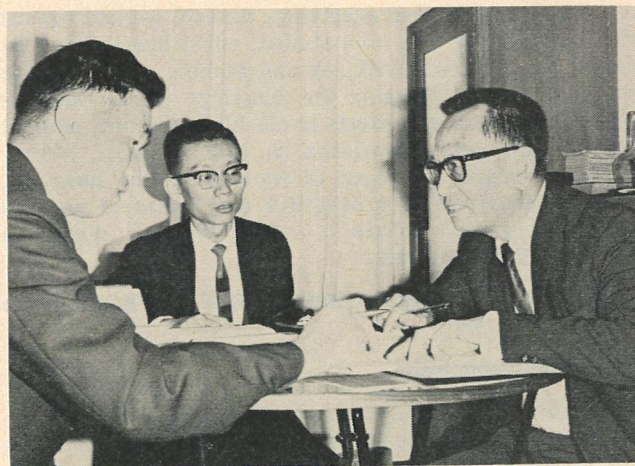
These theological students, as well as the total program of the Christian Chinese Lutheran Mission, merit your prayers and personal concern. Certainly the Lord is presenting the

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod an unparalleled opportunity to become partners in a tremendous spiritual undertaking. This opportunity, together with the many other unmerited opportunities for Gospel service, should be a source of real joy to us since it demonstrates, as nothing else can, that God counts us both faithful and able to assume an ever greater part in world evangelization. Let us consider this the privilege that it is and not become unfaithful by complaining that the Lord expects too much of us.

PROF. CONRAD FREY



Pastor Peter Chang (left) and Prof. Conrad Frey confer on carrying out the work of translation.



(Left to right) Foun Jan, Stephen Chu, and Philip Lee are shown at work in providing additional tools for the Gospel work.

Convention Preview

Second Section

I. BRINGING THE GOSPEL TO OUR FELLOW MEN

A. HOME MISSIONS

"Since 1961 the golden opportunities to expand the kingdom of Christ have increased at an accelerated pace. . . . The Head of the Church has opened one door after another. . . . New missions were opened from Virginia to California, from Washington to Florida. . . . And the doors are still opening. Appeals from families who hunger and thirst for the Gospel in all its truth and purity . . . come from such areas as Long Island and Philadelphia, from such states as New Jersey, New Hampshire, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Florida, California and other states. . . . These appeals do not bring dismay because of the manpower shortage. They rather increase the urgency of our prayers to the Lord of the harvest. . . . With His blessing there is only one way to go, and that is forward. . . . The office of the Executive Secretary has been a real blessing. . . ." — Pastor H. L. Engel, Chairman of the General Board for Home Missions.

"We believe that it is the Lord Himself who is calling us into new areas through urgent appeals. We agree that each appeal must be thoroughly investigated before we commit ourselves to begin work in the area. . . . We are asking the Synod in convention to act on a memorial calling for an orderly expansion of our mission program into the newly assigned areas of responsibility. . . . It is evident that the members of our Synod are becoming more and more mission-minded. More and more congregations and organizations are calling for materials to assist them in their mission endeavors and projects [such as mission fairs and weekends — Ed.]— Pastor Raymond Wiechmann, Executive Secretary to the Board.

All the District Mission Boards report progress and many opportunities for expansion of the work.

B. WISCONSIN LUTHERAN CHAPEL AND STUDENT CENTER

"It was with some misgivings that we worked toward the dissolution of the joint student effort during the past years, but it is only with joy and humble gratitude that we have been witnessing the blessings which God has poured out upon our efforts to establish our own student chapel and center, providing us with a pastor, a very adequate temporary place of worship, a fine new site, and the prospects of a beautiful new house of worship in the very near future." — The Western Wisconsin District Mission Board.

C. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SPECIALIZED MINISTRIES

Recommendations:

- I.) That the existing Lutheran Spiritual Welfare Commission be made an arm of the General Board for Home Missions and given a new assignment.
 1. That the new assignment to this arm be the Specialized Ministries: A. Military; B. Student; C. Institutional; D. Inner Core; E. Blind; F. Such

other ministries which may fall into this field of work.

(Then follow three points regarding the personnel of this Board and the implementation of its program.)

5. That the Committee on Evangelism and the Committee on Soul Conservation be given a parent within this general framework.

II.) That the Fifth Department of Synod, Benevolences and Pensions, be given the assignment of assistance in those fields which are more "welfare" in nature.

There follow five points regarding institutions like Bethesda, homes for the aged, and the work of child placement plus the implementation of work in such fields.

D. COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

"It is encouraging to note that the evangelism manuals and aids . . . are enjoying widespread distribution and evoking heartfelt appreciation from those who are using them. . . . The number of congregations actively engaged in lay evangelism work is growing steadily. Some are being blessed with amazing results. . . . In some areas . . . congregations are promoting the work jointly. . . . Special aids for instruction (of children) in the Biblical meaning of evangelism have been prepared for our day schools and Sunday schools. . . . Participation on the part of every home will be enlisted through a Synod-wide distribution of a special edition of "Meditations," featuring daily devotions on evangelism.

E. SPIRITUAL WELFARE COMMISSION

"We must look forward to an increase rather than a decrease in the number of members from the churches of our Synod who will be engaged in military service. . . . Our network of military contact pastors . . . now extends across the length and breadth of the country. Opportunities for regular attendance at worship and Communion are available in at least 17 states. . . . We are calling a man to become our full-time military service pastor in Norfolk, Virginia. . . . Since early this year our mailing program has been strengthened by the addition of *The Northwestern Lutheran*. The inclusion of an informal newsletter with each regular mailing is being continued."

"During the past year the Student Service Commission . . . placed its greatest emphasis upon establishing a national organization of 'Lutheran Collegians.'"

F. WORLD MISSIONS

"Missionaries of our Wisconsin Synod are at work today on four continents and are preparing at Puerto Rico for entrance into the fifth, Latin America.

"Our witnesses are preaching the Gospel in seven languages. . . .

"More men are needed to take care of the growth with which our work has been blessed by the Lord of the Church. . . . A mission program is healthy when it expands. This is the very result for which many of our faithful Christians have prayed and sacrificed. It will come as welcome news for them." — Pastor Edgar Hoenecke, the Executive Secretary.

1. *The Apache Indian Mission*

"The Christian Apaches have taken over, and are continuing to take over, more responsibilities in the life and activities of their congregations. . . . There are disappointments. . . . Yet many of our Christian Apaches have a fine comprehension of the Gospel. They are not ashamed to confess their Savior. . . ."

2. *Japan Mission*

"We are concentrating on the area north of Tokyo since we are the only Lutheran church among these four million people. . . . Since it is not the custom . . . to call on people in their homes without an invitation, mission work cannot be done by canvassing. Being restricted, we must use every means available." Then radio services, a literature program, services conducted at preaching stations, and visits to hospitals, prisons, and orphanages are mentioned.

3. *The Christian Chinese Lutheran Mission, Hong Kong*

The Convention will have before it a lengthy report by Prof. Conrad Frey, who was the Synod's Counselor to the Mission for nine months of 1964-65. He points to the many mission opportunities that we have in Greater Hong Kong, Singapore, Bangkok, the Philippines, and Taiwan, with special emphasis on Taiwan.

The Board for World Missions has made its own these recommendations to the Synod formulated by Prof. Frey:

1. That the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod pledge budgetary support of an Asiatic mission program carried on in cooperation with and through the Christian Chinese Lutheran Mission of Hong Kong
2. That the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod commit itself to providing a theological professor for the aforementioned institution who is to serve also as the Synod's counselor to the Christian Chinese Lutheran Mission on the basis of principles to be drawn up mutually by the Synod's Board for World Mission and the Christian Chinese Lutheran Mission.
3. That the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod instruct its Board for World Missions to seek through the customary channels, nomination of qualified candidates to serve in the capacity outlined and to call a man for this purpose.
4. That the Board for World Missions work out an agreement with the Christian Chinese Lutheran Mission to the effect that said mission will embark on expansion and capital investment programs only with the knowledge and concurrence of the Synod's Board for World Missions.
5. That this convention of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod ratify the actions taken to date by the affected Boards and committees in regard to the Christian Chinese Lutheran Mission.

4. *The Lutheran Church of Central Africa*

— The great need of the mailing program and a Christian Literature program is stressed. Both must be expanded and intensified. This requires time, money, and manpower.

— A good beginning has been made at training our own native workers with the establishment of the

Lutheran Bible Institute, which opened in September 1964.

— The Lumano Lutheran Dispensary now has a total patient number of from 3,700 to 4,000 per month. All these people have the opportunity to take part in devotions conducted by our missionaries and nurses.

— "The one great need in our mission field is an increased staff. . . . The Executive Committee joins the entire mission staff in the opinion that our work has taken shape to such an extent that we urgently need five more workers. . . . It is the considered opinion of the Executive Committee that we should expand into new areas."

II. DOCTRINAL MATTERS

The report of the Committee on Doctrinal Matters covers a wide range. Furthermore, the material is of such a nature that many details are important for a proper presentation. A brief summary is virtually impossible. Therefore we shall have to ask the reader to be patient and wait for the report that will appear after the Convention.

III. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FULL-TIME SECRETARIES

The Committee makes the following recommendation to the Synod Convention:

1. That the Synod in 1965 in its 1965 Convention establish the full-time offices of the Executive Secretary of Home Missions, of World Missions, and of the Board of Trustees as permanent.
2. a) That any future request of such an office of Executive Secretary be carefully considered on its own merit at the time of the request, and
b) That the creation of a new full-time office must clearly be justified by its need.

Note: This is merely a selection from quite a number of recommendations.

IV. FINANCIAL MATTERS

We content ourselves with these excerpts from the Report of the Board of Trustees:

"What has complicated the task of the Board of Trustees immensely is the fact that budgets recently voted have far outstripped offerings promised and actually given. Unbalanced budgets are not surprising, considering the backlog of work undone, the Lord's evident blessing in opening fields to our Synod as never before, and the enthusiasm displayed by all those called upon to plan the Synod's work. Unbalanced budgets in a certain restricted sense are a healthy sign. Nevertheless they are extremely dangerous to the continuing work and the future welfare of the Synod. A condition such as prevailed after the last convention, when the delegates voted a budget 26.5 per cent beyond the funds promised . . . , and actually empowered no Board to ask the various departments to adjust their plans through mutual consultation and joint planning — such a situation dare not be repeated if our Synod is to remain financially solvent. As it was, the budget planning . . . proved woefully inadequate, so that the Synod contingency fund was wiped out shortly after the convention. The result is

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LOOKING AT THE RELIGIOUS WORLD

Information and Insight

GALILEO REHABILITATED — WHY NOT HUS?

Last month in Pisa, where Galileo is said to have dropped weights from the Leaning Tower to demonstrate the law of falling bodies, Pope Paul VI pointedly praised the pioneer scientist as a "great spirit of immortal memory."

It was just 350 years ago that Rome's Supreme Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office forbade Galileo in his first brush with ecclesiastical authority to advocate the Copernican theory of the revolving earth. After a 16-year silence Galileo disobeyed the decree, wrote *Dialogue on the Two Great World Systems*, was forced by the Inquisition to recant, and found his book on the Index of Prohibited Books.

Two centuries passed before *Dialogue*, without any special fanfare, was taken off the Index. Formal redress finally came for Galileo at the Pisa Eucharistic Congress in 1965.

If Rome is in the mood for observing anniversaries of ancient miscarriages of its justice by reversing and repudiating the errors, it could well give attention this month to a matter of greater moment and longer standing. On July 6, 1415, John Hus, the Bohemian reformer, was condemned at Constance as a heretic and handed over for immediate burning to the secular authorities that had granted him safe conduct. Hus ran afoul of Rome chiefly because he declared the Scriptures to be the supreme and only authority for the Church and Christ its only Head.

It is for this reason we will this month commemorate his death that occurred 650 years ago — no matter what Rome does or doesn't do about it. In an age of error, Hus took his lonely and loyal stand on the Bible. To stand where this truly "great spirit of immortal memory" stood is of even greater moment than to be scientifically correct or to stand scientifically corrected.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL DROPOUTS

A Seattle Episcopalian Church, disturbed because of a 50% decline in Sunday-school attendance since 1957, sought guidance from a panel of experts including a clergyman, a

psychiatrist, and a Sunday-school graduate. Suggestions for cause and cure of the problem varied.

The clergyman blamed the clergy for not paying enough attention to the Sunday school and asserted that great improvement would come if only sufficient ministerial time and effort were expended in this direction.

The ex-student claimed, "The primary fault lies in the unprepared hands of those who teach." Another former student was quoted: "I think there ought to be some way to teach people my age that there is some connection between religion and real life."

The psychiatrist, a Roman Catholic, said that many of his patients had found Sunday school "either a process of intimidation or an exposure to frivolity."

There is food for thought in all of these statements, especially for those who have a Sunday school with a problem, but the statement we will find most interesting and significant was the suggestion of the psychiatrist that the Episcopalian group could learn something from the Lutherans on the grounds that "their preparation for confirmation is rigorous and complete and they wind up on the day of confirmation with a pretty adequate idea of what it means to be a Lutheran and what it means to be a Christian."

The compliment serves to underscore for us a basic principle that is old and familiar but frequently blurred and blunted by modern psychological and psychiatric approaches to education. This is the principle that nothing can endow our endeavors in religious education with meaning and vigor and worth as can solid indoctrination in the truths of God's Word. Indoctrination — that is the main business of our Sunday schools and all our other agencies of religious education and the most effective preventive and cure of a dropout problem.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE TESTS ECUMENICALS

It will be interesting to see how dyed-in-the-wool ecumenicals react to the proposal that Christian Scientists maneuver in the direction of the one-church movement.

At the annual meeting of The Mother Church, as *Christianity Today* of July 2 reports, Christian Scientists were urged by the Board of Directors of the body to concern themselves about "areas of agreement" with other denominations instead of looking upon themselves as "entirely different and exclusive." Because of its spirituality Christian Science, the Board said, "has much in common with other denominations."

By its denial of the reality of sin, sickness, death, the deity and death of Christ, and the Trinity, Christian Science has assumed the nature of a cult and has put itself beyond the borders of Christendom.

One would surely expect that any ecumenical overtures for Christian fellowship that Christian Science makes to Christian denominations will be politely but firmly declined. But judging by past performances and present proposals of many an ecumenical, don't be too sure.

TRANSIGNIFICATION

The title is a term that certain Roman theologians have begun to use in the doctrine of Lord Supper in place of the word, *transubstantiation*. That is what *Time* reports in a startling religion piece in its issue of July 2.

Rome's teaching of transubstantiation claims that in the Lord's Supper the bread and wine are in their substance actually transformed into body and blood. This has been one of the major causes of doctrinal division separating Rome from Lutherans who teach "under the bread and wine" and from the Reformed who speak of a spiritual but not a real presence.

Several European theologians, however, have been quietly restudying Rome's doctrine and are beginning to speak of a *transignification*. This term is to indicate a sacramental change not in substance but in meaning, as the *Time* article has it. One of these theologians, Dutch Jesuit Schoonberg, is quoted as saying: "I kneel not for a Christ who is supposed to be condensed in the host but for the Lord who through the host offers me his reality, his body."

This is, it should be remembered, scholarly discussion and not official doctrine. In May, Dutch bishops em-

phasized that a distinction must be made between unchangeable truths of eucharistic doctrine and a theologian's right to interpret them.

Should these first tentative suggestions prove to be harbingers of a reform of erroneous doctrine, it would be a cause for rejoicing and gratitude.

FRANKFURT—MAGDEBURG CONVENTION

What if the delegates to our Synod convention scheduled to open next week were forced to assemble in two separate meetings with delegates from west of the Mississippi gathering in a Minnesota city and those from east of the Mississippi sitting in Watertown and with both groups trying to act jointly on such complicated convention business as the report of the Committee on Teacher-Training Facilities?

This sounds impossible, but it was just such a situation that confronted

the all-German Synod of E.K.D. when the time for its convention came this spring. Authorities of East Germany, who are committed to walls and opposed to unity, refused to hear of a joint meeting of representatives from East and West Germany. The result was separate meetings in Frankfurt for West delegates and in Magdeburg for East delegates.

Special telegraph and telephone connections made it possible to effect a joint meeting. Obviously, no common debate on issues could be carried on, but elections were held and important resolutions were passed.

When our delegates meet next week at Watertown without let or hindrance, we would all do well to thank God for enabling us to enjoy in this land for so long liberty and union.

LUTHER BIBLE—1965 VERSION

The opening session of this year's general assembly of the *Evangelische Kirche in Deutschland* (E.K.D) was

enhanced by the formal presentation of the new German version of Luther's Bible to the head of the church body, President Scharf. Bishop Dibelius, chairman of the revision committee, made the presentation.

The ceremony marked the completion of 40 years of labor on the project carried out by the German churches and Bible societies.

This Bible version is not a new translation of original Greek and Hebrew texts but an adaptation to modern usage of a translation completed by Luther over 400 years ago.

Here is striking testimony to Luther's ability as a translator and linguist. Instead of setting Luther's work aside as being old and outdated, his people still find it basic and more than adequate. Taught to speak the German idiom of 1965, Luther's Bible still resounds in the land of the Reformation. May it continue to be a channel of blessing in centuries to come!

EDWARD C. FREDRICH

Arizona-California

ARIZONA

Improvements

Because of growth and increased attendance at Sunday services, quite some time ago Grace, Glendale, was moved to hold two services per Sunday. Of late this was no longer adequate, and the congregation sought a way to increase the seating capacity without engaging in a whole new building program. The answer was found in extending the balcony forward to make room for an additional 100 worshipers, thereby increasing the capacity to about 400 per service.

When the congregation studied the matter of new seating for the balcony and refinishing the old pews, it was learned that the old pews could be sold and the cost of refinishing advantageously applied to the cost of new pews for nave and balcony. Consequently, new pews were ordered for delivery and installation at the end of this past May. Painting of the church interior was also a part of this project. — Earlier in the school year the congregation purchased a new 42-passenger school bus. The total cost for remodeling, pews, and bus came to about \$15,000.00.

New Congregation

When Pastor Gilbert Seager (now serving our new mission in Whittier,

Calif.) left his Missouri Synod congregation in Edna, Texas, the congregation studied his doctrinal reasons for leaving with the result that 25 families followed the example of their pastor and asked to be served by our Synod. Pastor Robert Neuman of Dallas is flying 350 miles one way to conduct monthly services until Candidate Vilas Glaeske can take over.

New Construction

Salem Mission, Scottsdale, Arizona, received a chapel appropriation which enabled them to break ground on March 28. Over 100 worshipers were in attendance for the special service. Actual work began April 1 and progressed rapidly at first but then was halted for three weeks when vital beams were lost in transit. As the result of this delay the building, comprising the chapel, educational unit and campanile, will not be ready for use until late July or early August.

New Mission

The tenth church of our Synod in the Greater Phoenix area will hold

its first service September 12, with an open house the preceding Sunday. The Synod purchased two acres of land in a new development and built a house which will serve as temporary chapel. Pastor Duane K. Tomhave of Emmaus Mission 12 miles away has been assigned to serve this field until such a time that a full-time pastor can be called.

The new property is located on Thomas Road; so the Mission Board appropriately named the new mission St. Thomas Ev. Lutheran Church.

Added Services

Since 1957 Benson, Arizona, has been served by the pastor of Good Shepherd, Tucson (50 miles northwest), with twice-a-month Sunday afternoon services. In the last two years this area of the state has seen some growth, which was reflected also in attendance at the services. Now negotiations are under way with Grace, Warren, to share their pastor, David Redlin, with Benson so that services can be conducted every Sunday morning.

M. C. NITZ

Direct from the Districts



A Lantern to Our Footsteps

Answers Based on Holy Writ

Topic: Should We Refuse Baptism to Some Children?

A reader asked this column to comment on an item that appeared in *The Milwaukee Journal* early in June. The headline stated: "Don't Baptize Some Infants, Bishop Says." An Anglican bishop is quoted as saying that there is "no doubt in my mind that infant baptism is intended for the children of believing parents and not for all and sundry." Formerly the parents or godparents promised in good faith that the children would be brought up in the Church. About this he says: "Alas, this assumption can no longer be made. Often the parents are nonbelievers and they do little or nothing to help the children honor their vows. In those cases, baptism is a dangerous convention, if not worse."

The Situation in the Anglican Church

We can sympathize with the bishop in not wanting baptism to degenerate into an empty convention or form. No doubt, this is an even greater problem in England, where the Anglican Church is the established religion, than in America. Many in England who "belong" to the Anglican Church aren't believers in the true sense. They go through a few of the motions of Christianity, perhaps little more than this that they as a matter of custom want their children baptized, even though the church means nothing to them, and even though they do not intend seriously to influence their children in favor of the church. How easily the gifts of God become empty forms!

However, the statements of the bishop do raise the question: Should only children of church members be baptized? Should we refuse to baptize some children?

Must Be Requested By Those Who Have the Authority

First, it must be taken for granted that the request for baptism in behalf of a child must come from those who have the authority to make it. God has entrusted children to parents. The Fourth Commandment stands. In the case of a small child, it will be the parent, or whoever is the legal guardian, who requests baptism for the infant, or at least gives his permission. We have no right to baptize a child against the wishes of his parents.

But that isn't the question the article raises. It assumes that parents are requesting baptism for the child. What then? Should we still at times say No?

Baptism Not a Mere Sign

The answer to that question depends upon what baptism is. Is baptism only a symbolic action or is it a Means of Grace? If baptism is nothing more than a symbol, then the answer may well be that of the Anglican bishop. It would appear that he, like so many in Protestant churches, is following the thinking of Calvin. Calvin looked upon baptism as a sign of what God

either had worked or would work in the person baptized. Regarding children he said: "The children of the godly are born the children of the Church, and they are accounted members of Christ from the womb." This led him to the conclusion: "If the children of believers are exempted from the common lot of mankind, so as to be set apart to the Lord, why should we keep them back from the sign?" Baptism, being a sign that you belong to Christ, should then be granted to children of believers. But what about the children of unbelievers? It is quite evident that this thinking can lead to the conclusion that you cannot apply the sign "to sundry and all." It makes a mockery of the sign. If that is all baptism is, then we would have to agree with the bishop that the baptism of children of unbelieving parents could well be "a dangerous convention."

The Blessings of Baptism Not Dependent on Parents' Faith

But what is baptism? Scripture presents it to us as a Means of Grace. "It works forgiveness of sins, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe." That is the way Luther put it because Scripture taught that. To Titus Paul says that "according to his mercy he (God our Savior) saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost" (Titus 3:5). Peter told the multitudes on Pentecost: "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus for the remission of sins" (Acts 2:38). Ananias told Paul: "Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins" (Acts 22:16). So baptism is not only a sign; above all, it is a Means of Grace that regenerates, that works faith, that washes away sins. Does it do that only for children of believers? Surely not, for this is not dependent upon the faith of the parents. In view of that, it is difficult to imagine circumstances where we could with good conscience refuse to baptize a child upon the request of those who have authority over it.

Our Duty Toward the Parent and the Baptized Child

However, since the child through baptism has become a member of Christ's Church, we will impress upon the parents that we cannot simply forget about it after baptism. We will want the parents to recognize that the child should later also receive instruction in the Word of God so that faith may be preserved. We will want the parents to realize that Christ has a claim upon their child which the church also will not want to forget. This in practice means that a congregation will keep in touch with all its baptized children, also, yes, particularly, with those of unbelieving parents.

ARMIN SCHUETZE

Centennial Jubilee of St. John's Lutheran Church

Princeton, Wisconsin

St. John's Congregation of Princeton, Wisconsin, observed its Centennial Jubilee on May 30 and June 6. Pastor H. Warnke was the guest speaker on May 30 and based his sermon on Ephesians 1:3, and the president of our Synod, Pastor O. Naumann, addressed the congregation on June 6 and chose Psalm 105:1-5 as his text.

Although the earliest records are very meager, we know that occasional Lutheran services were held in this community by the so-called "Reiseprediger" of the Wisconsin Synod at least several years before 1864.

It was early in the year 1864 that a few scattered Lutherans in and around Princeton, Wisconsin, held a meeting and issued a call to Pastor J. J. Kern. Pastor Kern accepted the call, and two weeks later 16 persons met and organized the congregation and named it the "Evangelische Lutherische St. Johannes-Gemeinde."

In the spring of 1865 Pastor Kern left, and Pastor J. P. Lucas was

called. The first church was built in 1867.

Pastor Lucas left the congregation in 1868 and was followed by Pastor John Hoyer. Under his devout leadership the congregation flourished. When the task became too great for one man, he was assisted by his son, Pastor Adolph Hoyer, who then served the congregation for 56 years.

By 1884 the congregation became so large that a new church was erected.

By 1908, with the Lord's blessing, the congregation had again outgrown the seating capacity of the church, and in 1909 the new and present church was dedicated.

Pastor Harold Warnke served the congregation from 1936 to 1949, when he was called to Dale, Wisconsin. Pastor Walter Strohschein was then called as the sixth and present pastor of the congregation.

Through most of the years of the existence of the congregation, a Christian day school was conducted, at first

in the parsonage, then in rented buildings. The first school was built in 1872, another one in 1881, and the present one was dedicated in 1951.

A new parsonage was dedicated in the fall of 1960.

Statistics taken from the church records from the very beginning until the end of 1964 show that the pastors have performed 3,649 baptisms, 2,062 marriages, 1,473 burial services, and confirmed 2,431 people. The earliest baptismal record was in 1861, the year the Civil War began.

The church was renovated inside and out as a fitting prelude to the Centennial Celebration.

Many friends and former members returned to join the congregation in praising God and giving thanks.

Now in 1965 the congregation, numbering nearly 1100 souls, was permitted by the grace of God and through His countless blessings to celebrate the 100th anniversary. With grateful hearts we praise Him who guided us thus far, and we ask His continued blessings as we begin the second century.

W. L. STROHSCHNEIN

Editorials

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An Anniversary In 1515, just four hundred and fifty years ago this year, Pope Leo X did something that acted like a fuse to set off the explosion that came a few years later, known as the Lutheran Reformation. That was the year when he gave Albrecht, the archbishop of Mainz, the exclusive right for eight years to sell a special papal indulgence in Germany. Besides being the archbishop of Mainz, Albrecht was also archbishop of Magdeburg and bishop of Halberstadt. The revenues from this threefold bishopric were extremely bountiful but still not rich enough to cover the archbishop's expenses. He was not a theologian, was not even interested in religion; his interests were artistic rather than ecclesiastical. Art can be, and in this case was, a very expensive hobby. Besides, the Pope did not make a man archbishop twice over out of pure generosity, nor did he give away the highly lucrative traffic in indulgences as an act of charity. Albrecht had to pay dearly for the rights and honors that had been conferred on him, and to pay the huge sums required by the pope and to satisfy his artistic tastes he had gone deeply into debt to his bankers, the Fuggers of Augsburg.

The monopoly over the sale of this special indulgence was given to Albrecht so that he might pay off his huge debts. None of the proceeds of the sale came to him; they went either to Augsburg or to Rome — to Augsburg to settle his debts, to Rome to help build the church of St. Peter.

In the Wittenberg area there operated a particularly unscrupulous salesman of these indulgences by the name of Tetzel. Even if Tetzel had operated conscientiously according to the rules of the church governing the sale of

indulgences, the traffic would have been scandalous enough, but Tetzel was altogether shameless. It is certain that he fleeced the poor people of their money and comforted them with the blasphemous assurance that the moment they heard their money clink in the collection box their souls would spring into heaven. There was no word of repentance or confession or faith, except faith in that scrap of paper for which they had given their few Groschen. So far as Tetzel was concerned, the whole thing was a cheap business transaction and a vile fraud.

It was this shameless traffic in souls that aroused Luther's wrath and moved him to write and publish the Ninety-five Theses in 1517, and these are usually credited with being the first trumpet blast to proclaim the beginning of the Lutheran Reformation.

ERWIN E. KOWALKE

Convention Preview

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that, with the payment of all budgetary bills, the Building Fund — the only source from which the Board of Trustees can draw at the end of the fiscal year — has been more than depleted. Thus the Synod, as of June 30, 1965, will have a building fund indebtedness of about \$840,000.00.

"Four possible solutions suggest themselves: 1) a marked increase in contributions and revenues; 2) budgetary paring by all departments in order to make the total requests equal the amount promised by our congregations plus other income; 3) a combination of suggestions one and two; 4) a borrowing program. . . . The Board of Trustees advocates the third of the suggested solutions."

† Pastor H. A. Gieschen †

Funeral services for Pastor Henry A. Gieschen were conducted at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin, on May 1, 1965. The undersigned served as officiant, basing his sermon on John 10:27, 28.

Pastor Gieschen was born on January 11, 1896, in Flatville, Illinois, the fifth of ten children in the family of Rev. Henry Gieschen and his wife, Lydia, nee Thurow. Baptized into the Christian faith in infancy, he was confirmed at the age of 13 at Jerusalem Ev. Lutheran Church, Milwaukee.

In 1911, Pastor Gieschen entered Concordia College, Milwaukee, to begin his studies for the holy ministry. Graduating in 1914, he spent the next three years as a student at the Lutheran Seminary in Wauwatosa. Upon graduation he was called to serve sister congregations at Bachelor and

Branch, Michigan, and was ordained as a pastor by his father. On August 29, 1923, he was united in holy wedlock with Ruth Otha Hillemann, a union which was blessed with five children.

The Lord granted Pastor Gieschen 48 very active years in the public ministry, the last 29 of which were spent as the pastor of St. Paul's Congregation at Fort Atkinson. From 1929 to 1951 he was also a member of the Synod's Board of Education, serving as secretary of that board for 20 years. On Sunday, April 25, 1965, while conducting a congregational meeting at St. Paul's, Fort Atkinson, he was suddenly stricken with a massive cerebral hemorrhage, from which he never regained consciousness. The Lord took him to his heavenly home three days later on April 28, at the age of 69 years, 3 months, and 17 days.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth;

by four sons in the ministry, Henry, Daniel, Norbert, and Edgar; by a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Birsching; by two brothers, Walter and Victor; by two sisters, Mrs. Lydia Maas and Mrs. Agatha Dumann; and by 15 grandchildren.

All who knew Pastor Gieschen will remember him as a most dedicated and energetic veteran of the Word. The Lord blessed him with a particularly joyful and unwavering faith which consistently expressed itself in staunch Christian confession and tireless service. His devotion to those entrusted to his care — especially to the sick and infirm — stood as an inspiration to many. We confidently look forward to the resurrection of the dead, comforted by our Savior's promise: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life" (Rev. 2:10).

C. S. LEYRER

THE THIRTY-EIGHTH CONVENTION OF THE WISCONSIN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

The Thirty-eighth Convention of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod will meet, God willing, August 4 to 11, 1965, at Northwestern College, Watertown, Wis.

The opening service with Holy Communion will be held Wednesday, August 4, 10:00 a.m. in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, N. 6th and Jones, Watertown, H. E. Wicke and H. E. Paustian, pastors. Pastor John C. Jeske, chairman of the Board for Information and Stewardship, will preach the sermon. The closing service will be held Tuesday, August 10, 7:30 p.m. in Trinity Lutheran Church, 605 4th Street, Watertown, K. A. Timmel, pastor. Pastor J. C. Dahlke, president of the Northern Wisconsin District, will preach the sermon.

The centennial of the founding of Northwestern College will be observed at a special service to be held on the College grounds Sunday, August 8, at 3:00 p.m.

The opening session of the Convention will be held in the gymnasium of Northwestern College, Wednesday, August 4, at 2:00 p.m. Delegates are asked to arrive early enough that registration may be made 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 two dormitories on the College campus. Meals will be served to all bona fide delegates in the college cafeteria. Visitors will be served if tickets are purchased in advance of the meal. Note: Room and board will be available to a limited number of visitors and will be offered on a first-come-first-served basis.

Reservations for housing must be made by July 20. Kindly address all requests for reservations to the Convention Housing Committee, College Circle, Watertown, Wis. 53094.

Mail sent to delegates during the convention should be addressed in care of Northwestern College, Watertown, Wis. 53094. Delegates may be reached by telephone by calling 261-0719 or 261-4352.

PAUL R. HANKE, Secretary

FLOOR COMMITTEES

Thirty-eighth Convention of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod
August 4 to 11, 1965
Northwestern College
Watertown, Wisconsin

(Note: The Constitution requires the publication of the names of all voting delegates

to the convention. It also requires the publication of all floor committees appointed by the Praesidium. In the interest of conserving space in our **Northwestern Lutheran**, the list of floor committees, containing the names of all voting delegates, is being published, but not the list of voting delegates arranged according to Districts. — O. J. N.)

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(The order is determined by the Districts and at times expresses preference)

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MATRON WANTED

A matron for the Girls' Dormitory is urgently needed at Northwestern Lutheran Academy, Moberge, S. Dak. This position calls for a dedicated Christian woman who is able to work with girls of the high-school age. Address any questions and applications to the undersigned.

Rev. Cyril W. Spaude
Secretary of the Board of Control
915 S. Dakota Street
Aberdeen, S. Dak. 57401

TIMES OF SERVICES

OAKLAND AND BELMONT, CALIF.

Vacation worshipers, please note that the hour of service at Resurrection Ev. Lutheran Church, at 2267 Telegraph Ave., Oakland, Calif., has been changed to 8:45 a.m. The hour of service at Gloria Dei Ev. Lutheran Church, at 2600 Ralston Ave., in Belmont, Calif. (our San Francisco church), has been changed to 10:30 a.m. We invite and welcome those who will be in the Northern California area this summer to worship with us.

R. Waldschmidt

SERVICES IN NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

Beginning July 18, services of our Wisconsin Synod mission in New Brunswick, New Jersey, will be held every Sunday. They will be conducted in the music room of the Highland Park High School, which is situated on Fifth Street, just off Raritan Ave. For the time of the service, call information to get the phone number of the pastor, who is

The Rev. Gary Baumber
1724 Holly Rd.
North Brunswick, N. J.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Professor Kowalke will retire from regular work at Northwestern College at the close of the next school year. The Board of Control asks the members of the Synod to submit names in nomination for the forthcoming vacancy. The man called is to take over the work in Hebrew. The calling is made early enough to give the new man ample opportunity to prepare himself further for the office.

Nominations must reach the board not later than August 20.

Kurt A. Timmel, Secretary
612 Fifth St.
Watertown, Wis. 53094

NOTICE COLLOQUY REQUEST

Mr. Robert E. Gruetzmacher, Pawtucket, R. I., has requested a colloquy for the teaching ministry in the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod.

Norman W. Berg, President
Michigan District

REQUEST FOR COLLOQUY

The Reverend William H. Wiedenmeyer has made formal request for a colloquy covering acceptance into the ministerium of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod.

E. Arnold Sitz, President
Arizona-California District

REQUEST FOR COLLOQUY

Mr. Leo Scheelk of Madison, Nebraska, a former pastor in the Missouri Synod, has requested a colloquy for the purpose of entering the preaching ministry in the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod.

Hugo Fritze, President
The Nebraska District

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN STUDENTS

Please specify "Wisconsin Synod" on your registration cards. Pastors, please notify the undersigned of students from your congregation who are attending the University of Michigan.

The Rev. Robert A. Baer
3523 Terhune
Ann Arbor, Mich. 48104

SERVICES AT CANADIAN SOO

Travelers on the Lake Superior Circle Tour are invited to attend services at Our Savior's Ev. Lutheran Church in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. The church is one-half block north of Highway 17—East at 339 Elizabeth Street. Time of service during July and August: 10 a.m. EDT—, Otherwise at 11 a.m.

APPOINTMENTS

ARIZONA-CALIFORNIA DISTRICT

Mr. Roy Sandberg has been appointed chairman of the Arizona-California District Auditing Committee. All collection blue slips are to be sent to him. The address reads:

Mr. Roy Sandberg
2803 E. Mabel St.
Tucson, Ariz.

Mr. Vernon Johnson of Phoenix has been appointed to the Auditing Committee vice Mr. Lester Oberfeld, who resigned for reasons of press of business.

E. Arnold Sitz, President

MATRON NEEDED EAST FORK MISSION

East Fork Mission needs a Girls' Matron (single lady preferred) to take charge of 35 high-school girls in dormitory. School year begins August 30. Must have genuine interest in young people. If interested, please contact:

Mr. Arthur J. Meier, Principal
East Fork Mission
Whiteriver, Ariz. 85941

AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS

Hong Kong is an Open Door — CO/SD Film 30 min.

Order: F-9-HKD

The latest production of the World Mission Board depicting the people of Hong Kong: their life — their needs — their thirst for the Gospel. The door is open to us to spread the saving Word to this overcrowded metropolis. Are we willing and ready to enter this door and its mission opportunities? The needs of Hong Kong and its people cannot be realized until you see this film. Requests for the use of this film make it necessary to make your reservation several months ahead.

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Your Northwestern — CO/3 & 7½ IPS Tap es. FS-28-YN 25 min.

The new Centennial filmstrip of Northwestern College at Watertown, Wis., presents the history, purpose, and the manner in which it serves the Synod. Presents an excellent overview of the life and activities of the students.

RESULT OF COLLOQUY

At a Colloquy meeting in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, May 17, 1965, composed of President Carl Mischke of the Western Wisconsin District, Professor Gerald Hoenecke of Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Seminary, Pastor G. O. Krause, conference Visiting Elder, and the undersigned, with Pastor Gerhard Marquardt, who had severed relations with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, now declared himself in full agreement, both in doctrine and practice, with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod and desired to be reinstated as a member of its clergy. This was granted and he is eligible for a call.

Gerhard L. Press,
2nd Vice-President of the Synod

NOTICE

Ineligible For a Call

Having accepted a call into a synod not in fellowship with us, Ronald Gresens is herewith declared ineligible for a call into the teaching ministry of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod.

GERMAN MATERIAL

We need more German Hymnals (5x7 preferred) for WELS mission work in Canada. We also could make good use of German choir music in any quantity. We truly appreciate any contributions along these lines.

Pastor W. O. Loescher
8915 76th Ave.
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

PROSPECTS FOR NEW MISSION WANTED

A missionary is now located in Wichita, Kansas. A new mission congregation is being planned. Names of Lutherans moving into the area are wanted. Please send names of all prospective members to:

Rev. David J. Plocher
907 Wilbur Lane
Wichita, Kansas 67212

CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

NORTHERN WISCONSIN

FOX RIVER VALLEY DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Date: July 27, 1965.

Place: Fox Valley Lutheran High School, Appleton, Wis.

Agenda: Study of Reports and Memorials.

Lyle J. Koenig, Secretary

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MANITOWOC DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Place: Cleveland, Wis.

Date: July 25, 1965.

Time: 8 p.m.

Host Pastor: G. F. Cares.

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DISTRICT PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Place: St. John's, Two Rivers, Wis.

Host Pastor: T. Stern.

Date: Oct. 25, 26, 1965.

(Particulars later)

S. KUGLER, Secretary

SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN

DODGE-WASHINGTON DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Place: Slinger, Wis., St. Paul's Church, L. Groth, pastor.

Date: July 25, 1965.

Time: 2 to 4 p.m.

Carl J. Henning, Secretary

WESTERN WISCONSIN

CENTRAL DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Time and Date: 9:00 a.m., July 27, 1965.

Place: St. Stephen's Ev. Lutheran Church, W. Maple Ave. and West St., Beaver Dam, Wis.; E. H. Huebner and L. C. Kirst, pastors.

Agenda: A study of the business of the 1965 Synod Convention as presented in the Book of Reports and Memorials.

Ralph J. Polzin, Secretary

ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS

Ordained and Installed

Pastors

Begalka, Delbert L., as pastor of St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Alma City, Minn., by M. Volkmann; assisted by D. Kock; July 4, 1965.

Begalka, Delbert L., as pastor of Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Smith's Mill, Minn., by M. Volkmann; assisted by M. Birkholz, R. A. Haase, D. Kock, R. Schlicht; July 4, 1965.

Bickel, Elton, was ordained and installed as missionary in Kalamazoo, Mich., in St. John's Lutheran Church, Battle Creek, Mich., by H. J. Zink; assisted by D. Gieschen, C. Kipfmiller, F. Knueppel, L. Meyer, H. Peter, and W. Zarling; June 27, 1965.

Candidate James Mumm was ordained and installed as pastor of St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Hillpoint, Wis., Faith Ev. Lutheran Church, Reedsburg, Wis., and Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Lime Ridge, Wis., by E. Vomhof; assisted at Reedsburg by R. Drews, and at Lime Ridge by R. Zink and R. Drews; July 4, 1965.

Uttech, Robert F., as pastor of Gethsemane Ev. Lutheran Church, Mason City, Iowa, by R. Uhlhorn; assisted by D. Seifert; July 4, 1965.

Commissioning

Klaszus, Ernst, was commissioned as missionary to St. Albert, Alberta, Canada, by H. Birner; assisted by R. Strobel, M. Janke, G. Rothe, and W. Sprengeler; May 23, 1965.

Installed

Kell, Myron, as pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Ann Arbor, Mich., by R. O. Frey; assisted by K. Vertz, D. Habeck, and R. Baer; June 27, 1965.

Lindquist, J. Edward, as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Hoskins, Nebr., by E. W. Lindemann; assisted by W. Hoyer and D. Sievert; June 27, 1965.

Pingel, Louis E., as pastor of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Roscoe, S. Dak., by K. G. Sievert; June 27, 1965.

Plocher, David, as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Haldstead, Kan., and of a new mission at Wichita, Kan., by Karl J. Plocher; assisted by Herold Bittorf; June 20, 1965.

Schwerin, Amos, as pastor of Emanuel Ev. Lutheran Church, Town of Maple Creek, Wis., by C. Schlei; assisted by H. Warnke and F. Heidemann; and as pastor of Grace Ev. Lutheran Church, Sugar Bush, Wis., by C. Schlei; assisted by H. Warnke, O. Sommer, A. Meyer, and R. Carter; June 27, 1965.

Professor

Gawrisch, Wilbert R., as professor at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, by Herman Cares; June 1, 1965.

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