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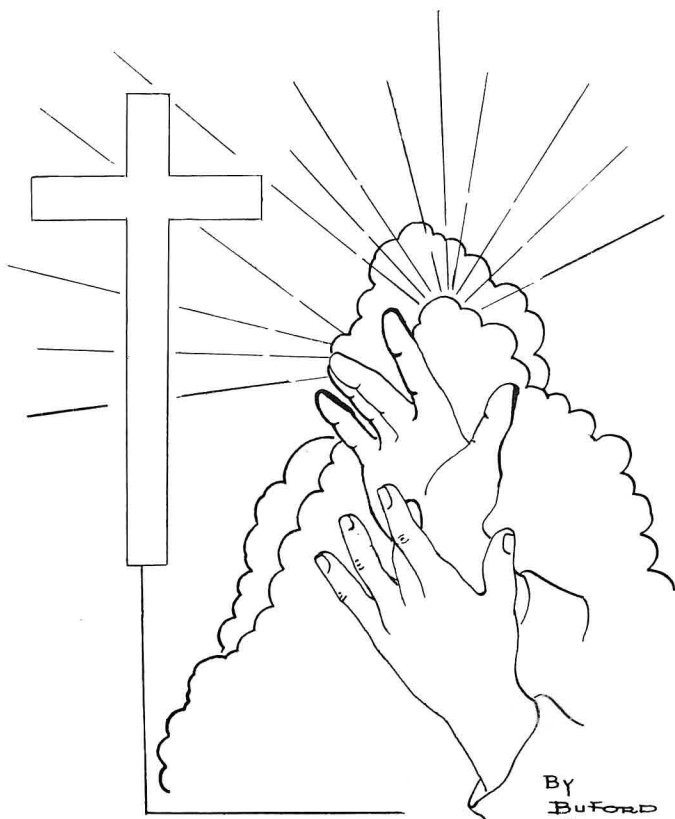
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## Fifty-Two Sundays

“Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another.” Hebrews 10:25.

The beginning of a new year is a good time to stop and think what we did with all the Sundays in the past year. Our dear heavenly Father permitted His holy and saving Word to be preached every Sunday, also to the Deaf. Now more than 40 Lutheran pastors in all parts of the country bring Christ’s Gospel of salvation to the Deaf in the language of the Deaf, which they understand best.

The world today is a restless and tearing world, hurrying, laboring, roaring along at a fast pace. It is a hard world, and we often feel that we are not worth much; and we often feel helpless and alone.

But Sunday comes, and that is different. It is different for those who know that there is a God whose love looks down from heaven upon the hearts and lives of men. We go to church, open the door, and enter the house of God. The world’s roar becomes more distant and quiet. Sunday we are in the company of men and women who know God and have come to worship Him. We hear the story of His eternal love for us, so old now and yet always so new, bringing us peace.

It is a time for forgetting and for remembering. We can forget all the sins and failures which we carried into His house. By His grace we can remember His forgiveness, the quiet, uplifting, comforting words: “We flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring [begging] Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.” Yes, we stand

before God forgiven and unafraid. This is the meaning of our Sundays.

How many Sundays will pass by in this new year while you are not in the house of God? How often will you lose the opportunity to hear the reassuring message of God’s wondrous love and grace? Come, hear, and be strengthened!

*O patient and merciful God, let me never forsake Thy house. Grant me eagerness to hear Thy Word and to keep it in a remembering heart, for Jesus’ sake. Amen.*

REV. E. MAPPES

Omaha, Nebraska

## Humility

Only a child of God will agree that it is better to be poor and humble than to be rich and proud. Those who have more of this world’s goods than the average person are tempted to be proud and to look down upon other people. That is why Jesus said it is so hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven.

Every sincere Christian is a truly humble person. Pride and Christianity do not mix.

Before a man is converted and becomes a Christian, he knows nothing about true humility. He is proud and selfish, because he cannot be humble and still get the things his selfish nature wants.

Only God can create and plant humility in a man’s heart. And a humble spirit accepts all of God’s blessings of body and soul with thanksgiving, knowing very well that they are undeserved gifts of God.

REV. J. A. BEYER

Seattle, Washington

# Notes from the Executive Secretary

## **Rev. Ernest Drews, Board Chairman, Hospitalized**

Rev. Ernest Drews, pastor of Jehovah Lutheran Church, St. Paul, Minn., and chairman of our Board for Missions to the Deaf, was hospitalized during the last part of October with a mild heart attack. At the time this report is written, Pastor Drews was scheduled to be discharged from the hospital on Nov. 10. He has responded well to treatment. God mercifully heard the prayers of many and blessed the efforts of his physicians. May God grant to him many years of health and strength so that he might continue to be of service in many ways in the spreading of the kingdom of God.

## **Rev. Mesenbring Declines Call to Cleveland**

Rev. Victor Mesenbring, pastor of Mount Olive Lutheran Church in Lockport, N. Y., has declined the call to Christ Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Cleveland, Ohio. Rev. Walter Busby of Rochester, N. Y., continues to serve the congregation in the field as vacancy pastor. Pastor Borchardt, the regional counselor for the Great Lakes region, helps out by conducting the services in Toledo, and Rev. William Ludwig in Columbus, Ohio, assists by conducting services in Mansfield.

## **Rev. Herman Graef Declines Call to Tennessee and Alabama**

Rev. Herman Graef, pastor of Bethlehem Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Omaha, Nebr., and missionary in the Nebraska field, has declined the calls to the Memphis field of deaf missions and to Trinity Lu-

theran Church, Dothan, Ala., a hearing congregation. The Memphis field continues to be served by students from the St. Louis seminary under the direction of Rev. Floyd Possehl, while the southern half of the field is being served temporarily by Rev. Ervin Oermann from Birmingham, Ala. Rev. Walter Westermann of Greensboro, N. C., the regional counselor for the southern region of our mission, is the vacancy pastor for the Memphis field.

## **Committee Chosen to Write New Catechism for the Deaf**

At Ephphatha Conference this past summer it was decided that the Board should choose a committee to develop a new catechism and catechism workbooks for the Deaf to take the place of the catechism prepared by Doctor Salvner, which has been used these many years. This catechism is now out of print and no longer available. The Board has appointed the following committee to develop this new catechism: Rev. Herbert Rohe, Houston, Tex., chairman; Rev. Louis Jasper, New York City; Rev. Martin Kosche, Delavan, Wis.; and Rev. George Ring, Portland, Oreg. If anyone has any suggestions regarding this new catechism, he should feel free to write to any of these committee members. This is a very important job that these men have accepted, and we pray God's rich blessings upon their work.

## **Dictionary of Bible Terms for the Deaf Available This Month**

The new dictionary of Bible terms for the Deaf, entitled *Which Is Being Interpreted*, prepared by two of our

missionaries, Rev. George W. Gaertner, Oakland, Calif., and Rev. Theo. DeLaney, San Francisco, Calif., is available on Jan. 7 from Concordia Publishing House at a cost of \$1.50. You can order this dictionary from your pastor, or you can write directly to C. P. H., 3558 S. Jefferson, St. Louis 18, Mo., and enclose \$1.50 for cost of the dictionary. This dictionary has over 2,500 words from the King James Version of the Bible that are difficult for many people to understand. These words are explained in very simple language and vocabulary so that all can easily understand. With this help the reading of the Bible will be more of a joy for all of you. Make sure each one of you gets a copy right away.

### **1963 Budget to Be Decided This Month**

On Jan. 31 and Feb. 1 the new Budget Review Committee for The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod will meet to decide the actual spending budget for the fiscal year of 1963, which runs from Feb. 1, 1963, until Jan. 31, 1964. Last August the stewardship leaders of Synod met to decide a work program for 1963, which was then presented to all the congregations of Synod, including our own deaf congregations. The total amount of this work program was \$34,600,000. By the end of January the Budget Review Committee will know how much all the congregations of Synod have promised to support this work program. If the total amount is less than \$34,600,000, then the Budget Review Committee must decide what can and what cannot be spent during 1963. Remember this important committee in your prayers that the Lord will lead them to make the right decisions so that

the work of the church can go forward without any slowing down of our mission expansion program.

### **A New Year for Christ**

By the grace of God we have been permitted again to see the beginning of a new year, the year 1963. I am writing these words during the second week of the Cuban crisis. What will happen in the world between now and the time these words appear in print, only God knows. One thing is sure. We live this life just one day at a time. During this Cuban crisis we have not known from one day to the next whether the city in which we live would still be standing tomorrow. One of the magazines reported that if Mr. Khrushchev had placed all the missiles into Cuba that he had intended to place, they could have killed 25,000,000—50,000,000 people in the United States. If we come through this crisis without war, we know that there is still not real peace in the world. As we look forward to the days and months of 1963, we will probably see still many tensions and problems and threats of war in the world, but you and I who know that the Lord Jesus died on the cross for us to save us from our sins are not afraid; we live each day for Christ, and now we have been permitted to begin a new year for our Lord.

Once we have come to faith in the Lord Jesus, the only purpose that God has for us in the world is to share this faith with others. When we see around us the wars and threats of wars, we have every reason to believe that we are in the last times before the world comes to an end. How much longer you and I have to work to spread the Gospel

of Jesus Christ we do not know. But we must not waste time or money in this great work. The resolution that every one of us should make as we now begin this new year is to give ourselves fully to Christ so that He may use us as His messengers to bring the story of His salvation to all people. We can do this by bringing friends and relatives to know the Lord Jesus through our visits with them and through our bringing them with us to church. For the deaf who live

far from us both here in the United States and in foreign lands and for the millions of hearing people throughout the world we can offer our prayers and give generously of the money that the Lord has given us to support the work of His church. God be with us in this new year and bless us and all that we do for Christ in the spreading of His kingdom. See you next month.

W. F. REINKING  
St. Louis, Mo.

## The Cover

The title of the cover is "Jesus Shall Reign." The drawing was made by Mr. Buford Earl Smith of Evansville, Ind., a graduate of the Indiana School for the Deaf, now residing in Indianapolis. He attends Peace Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Indianapolis, Rev. Daniel Pokorny, pastor.

The Kingship of Jesus Christ is a familiar theme of Christian art and literature. From the hymn which bears the same name as this drawing ("Jesus shall reign wher-e'er the sun doth his successive journeys run") to *The Messiah* of Handel ("And He shall reign forever and ever"), the rule of Jesus over His church and over creation is an occasion for praise. And in painting ("The Resurrected Christ," by Siegfried Reinhart, for example) and in sculpture (the traditional "Christus Rex") the rule and kingship of Christ is the underlying theme.

It is entirely proper that sculptors and painters should depict in wood, stone, and pigment what poets do with words and musicians do with sounds. Each in his own way praises

his Lord Jesus Christ as he provides for Christians everywhere songs to sing and objects of art to call to mind the glory of Christ. Thus the private worship of the individual artist becomes a way in which all Christendom can express its prayers and praises.

This unique relationship between Christian artist and the-worshipping community illustrates in its special way what is meant by the communion of saints. It is what the saints are able to share that makes them a communion, and the salvation which they have through Christ is what makes them saints. It is for this reason that Christian artists, poets, writers, sculptors, and painters do well to choose the person and work of Christ as the subject matter for their art. In this way they can bear witness to their own faith in Christ, as He wants them to do, and at the same time assist others in their faith and worship with the skill that God has given them. They encourage the communion by giving it something to share, and they make it possible for people to become saints by describing in words, music,

and pictures what God has done for them in Jesus Christ.

This, of course, is true not only of artists but of each member of the body of Christ. Each member has his unique skill and unique function in the church. It is as each member functions properly according to the ability which God gives that the body functions as a body and the church functions as a church. Each Christian, whether artist or crafts-

man, whether student or teacher, whether follower or leader, should use his talents and skills in individual worship of God and for the common good of the church. In this way each person's work is a way in which he praises God, and the "Well done, thou good and faithful servant" which is spoken over the work makes it the common joy of all believers.

## Dedication and History

On the occasion of the dedication of the Cross of Christ Lutheran Chapel and Deaf Centre, 115th St. and 60th Ave., Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, a brief history of the chapel was printed in the dedication booklet.

Since the early 1930's the Deaf of Alberta and the Edmonton area have been served by the Lutheran Mission to the Deaf by Rev. R. Cordes (South Dakota), Rev. E. Fox (Edmonton), and Rev. W. Ferber (North Dakota).

1955, September — Services and Sunday school in Edmonton by Rev. W. Ferber.

1956, June — First full-time resident missionary called. Board of Missions to the Deaf extends call to Rev. R. A. Bauer.

1956, October 14 — Rev. R. A. Bauer ordained and installed as pastor. Services held at Grace Lutheran Church, Edmonton. Sunday school at Redeemer Lutheran Church, Edmonton.

1959, fall — Purchase of site for new church (from municipality).

1959, winter — Plans and designs begin for new church.

1960, spring — Purchase of additional land (from the city).

1961, October 15 — Ground-breaking ceremonies.

1961, October — Work begun on the new church.

1962, June 17 — Cornerstone laying.

1962, June — Last Sunday school held at Redeemer Lutheran Church.

1962, September 30 — Last service held at Grace Lutheran Church.

1962, October 7 — Dedication of the new church home of Cross of Christ Lutheran Church for the Deaf.

The chairman of the consulting committee reports: "The Cross of Christ Lutheran Chapel and Deaf Centre in Edmonton is a project of The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod. In the truest sense it can be said that the thousands of members of the church have joined hands to make this building a reality. Working through their Board for Missions to the Deaf, they have demonstrated their concern for the souls of a special group of people who are also in need of the forgiveness God offers men through Jesus. In the building of this chapel, however, the Board has acted primarily through a local consulting committee and its missionary, Rev. Robert A. Bauer. . . .

"Built at a cost of approximately



\$45,000, the chapel is designed especially for a deaf congregation. About 100 worshippers can be seated in the nave, and more than 100 children can be accommodated in the Christian Education rooms. A lounge-library in the education wing will provide accommodations for reading and meetings."

Officers for the dedication cere-

monies were Rev. W. A. Rumsch, Executive Secretary of Missions and Parish Education, Alberta and British Columbia District, Edmonton, Alberta; Rev. William F. Reinking, Executive Secretary of the Board for Missions to the Deaf, St. Louis, Mo.; and Rev. R. A. Bauer, missionary to the Deaf in the Edmonton Field, Edmonton, Alberta.

## The Doubly Handicapped

The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod engages in a variety of Christian and charitable enterprises. While these do not always lead to spectacular accessions in church membership, yet Synod makes it possible to lead also the Deaf-Blind to Jesus. These doubly handicapped individuals are deeply moved by the generosity and thoughtfulness of fellow Lutherans. The Gospel of Jesus brings spiritual life to darkened souls. We should never feel superior to the Deaf-Blind. For one thing, we never know the nature of the afflictions which we ourselves may encounter through life's journey. It seems at times that the most faithful Christians experience life's severest testing and crosses. God's loving purpose is to lead them to see "Jesus only" in this materialistic and secular world.

Do you know that there is located near Chicago the only correspondence school for the Blind and the Deaf-Blind in the world? Our mission to the Deaf together with the principal of this school cooperate with us in locating the Deaf-Blind, of whom there are 3,000 in the U. S. A. alone. For the past 35 years Synod has supplied many of them with Christian literature in raised type. Moreover, personal pastoral

care has been rendered to others by Synod's Mission to the Deaf. Lutheran pastors have patiently and laboriously spelled out their messages into the hands of the Deaf-Blind in the knowledge that these souls are precious to the Savior.

Work among the Deaf-Blind is not easy. It requires patience, time, travel, and a knowledge of the various systems of communication, including Braille. Above all, it requires a love for people. We know of Deaf who shun the Deaf-Blind because of the difficulty of communicating with them.

While the Deaf are able to see, work, and lead well-rounded lives, and the Blind have radios, records, tape recordings, libraries, churches, and the privilege of the best intellectual enjoyments of life, the Deaf-Blind are deprived of both these advantages. They live in darkness and silence and with limited associations. Often they do not know a visitor is present until the visitor identifies himself by physical contact.

May God give us thankful and compassionate hearts to deal kindly with the doubly handicapped.

DR. O. C. SCHROEDER  
*Chicago, Ill.*



## dsh Index

A meeting of consultants to formulate plans for the compilation of a new publication, *dsh Index*, was held at Gallaudet College Oct. 26 to 29.

Attending the three-day meeting were Dr. Eldon Lewis Eagles, Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh; Dr. Wendell Johnson, Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology, State University of Iowa; Dr. Ralph F. Naunton, Department of Surgery, University of Chicago; Dr. Earl D. Schubert, Speech and Hearing Clinic, Indiana University; Dr. William R. Tiffany, Department of Speech, University of Washington; Dr. Robert W. West, New York Medical College and Speech and Hearing Center, Brooklyn College; Dr. Dean E. Williams, Speech Clinic, University of Iowa; and four from Gallaudet College: Dean George Detmold; Dr. Powrie V. Doctor, editor, *American Annals of the Deaf*; Dr. James Jerger, research profes-

sor; and Dr. Jerome D. Schein, editor, *dsh Abstracts*.

These consultants met to discuss the problems which will be involved in bringing together all the past literature on deafness, speech, and hearing. The writings in these fields are so widely scattered that it is recognized that some central resource must be developed for practitioners and researchers in these fields.

The purpose of the new publication, *dsh Index*, is to fulfill this function by bringing together all the writings prior to 1960 in a single resource volume which will permit ready access to writings dating back to the Greeks.

The meeting of consultants on *dsh Index* was sponsored by the U.S. Office of Vocational Rehabilitation under a grant to Deafness Speech and Hearing Publications, a joint nonprofit corporation owned by the American Speech and Hearing Association and Gallaudet College.

Season's  
Greetings

THE DEAF LUTHERAN  
extends to its readers best  
wishes for a Happy New  
Year. Editor



### **Columbus Building Fund**

*Columbus, Ohio.* On Dec. 1 the total amount in the building fund of the Lutheran deaf congregation in Columbus was \$1,720.00. Pastor William Ludwig expressed the hope that during the remaining month the 1962 goal of \$2,000 might be attained.

### **Great Lakes Regional Conference**

*Columbus, Ohio.* The 1963 Great Lakes Regional Conference has been scheduled for June 28—30, 1963, at Capital University, 2199 E. Main, Columbus, Ohio. Officers for the Great Lakes Region are: president, John Riddlebaugh of Columbus; vice-president, Benjamin Beaver of Detroit; secretary, Clarence Heffernan of Rochester, N. Y.; treasurer, Richard Brill of Cleveland; and auditor, Earl Froelich of Cleveland.

### **Eastern Regional Retreat**

*Newark, N. J.* The Eastern Regional Retreat has been tentatively scheduled for the second weekend in June, June 7—9, at Pocono Crest Lodge, Pocono Pines, Pa. The retreat will consider Christian Prayer as its theme.

### **Shannon and Coughlon Wed**

*Des Moines, Iowa.* Richard Shannon and Maureen Coughlon were united in holy wedlock by Pastor Clark Bailey in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Fort Dodge, Iowa, on Oct. 27. Witnesses were Mr. Robert A.

Shannon and Carl J. Shannon of Des Moines.

### **† Marion Siders †**

*Des Moines, Iowa.* It pleased Almighty God to summon from this life Mr. Marion Siders of Webster City, Iowa, on Nov. 2. He was given Christian burial on Nov. 5 at Webster City, Pastor Clark Bailey officiating.

### **Anaheim Chooses Name**

*Anaheim, Calif.* The Lutheran Deaf congregation in Anaheim chose Mount Calvary Lutheran Church for the Deaf as its name at a meeting on Oct. 27. Officers of newly named Mount Calvary are: president, Ronald Crippen; vice-president, Ernest Purbeck; secretary-treasurer, Everett Hollenbeck; and mission chairman, Eddie Brinkman. All of the officers together with the pastor comprise the board of trustees.

Services are held in Anaheim on the second and fourth Sundays at Zion Lutheran Church, Emily and Chartres, at 11:15 A. M.

### **Gamma Delta Banquet**

*Washington, D. C.* Christ Deaf Congregation sponsored a banquet for Kappa Epsilon Chapter of Gamma Delta, Lutheran student organization at Gallaudet College, on Nov. 11 at Christ Church.

Seventeen college students attended the service, seven of whom became members of the Kappa Epsilon Chapter and international

Gamma Delta at the banquet ceremony.

Mr. James Casey, "Blackdini," performed for the group with tricks involving sleight of hand and illusion.

Mrs. Agnes Sutcliffe, faculty adviser to the Gallaudet chapter of Gamma Delta, served as liaison between the students and the members of Christ Congregation in arranging the banquet.

### Go to Church

*Regularly*

in 1963

### Vicar Harold Fleischauer

*Newark, N. J.* Harold Fleischauer was born in Texas, where he attended a Lutheran day school at Riesel. He was graduated from Concordia High School and Concordia Junior College in Austin, Tex. While a student at Concordia Senior College at Fort Wayne, Ind., he became interested in the Deaf and in the language of signs. He is now a student at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, interning for one year at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Newark under the supervision of Rev. C. Roland Gerhold.

### Dual Anniversary Celebration

*Newark, N. J.* On Sept. 23 a group of about 100 met at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Newark to celebrate anniversaries of "510 Parker St." and Pastor C. Roland Gerhold.

The occasion marked 10 years of regular worship services for the Deaf at St. Matthew's, 10 years of

ministry to the Deaf in the Newark field by Pastor Gerhold, and 20 years since his ordination to the holy ministry.

### Child Succumbs to Pneumonia

*Pittsburgh, Pa.* The seven-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Paul McAnlis departed this life last October after contracting pneumonia. Funeral services were held in Rochester, Pa., on Oct. 30.

### Fraccassi and Fisher Wed

*Erie, Pa.* Mr. and Mrs. Fraccassi were united in marriage on Oct. 27 at Erie, Pa., with Pastor C. A. Scheuerman of Trinity Lutheran Church officiating. Mrs. Fraccassi is the former Martha Fisher.

### Gallaudet Graduate Department Accepts Students with Hearing Losses

*Washington, D. C.* Eleven of the 32 students in the Graduate Department of Education have serious hearing losses. Six of the 11 are graduates of Gallaudet College.

This is the first year the college has accepted students with hearing losses for admission to the Graduate Department of Education.

Gallaudet College has the largest enrollment in its history. There are 604 students, including 32 graduate, 412 undergraduate, and 160 preparatory students (347 men and 257 women). Of the 604 students, 224 are at the college for the first time.

### Hobby Club

*St. Paul, Minn.* The Monday Evening Hobby Club is the new name of the Mothers' Club. The name was changed to make it possible for friends to join the group. The project for last fall was the sale of cards and candy prior to Christmas.



L. to r.: Wesley Miller, James Wilson, Wanda Vintinner, and Richard Reynolds of The American School for the Deaf. They are using new audio equipment at West Hartford

### **New Audio Equipment**

*West Hartford, Conn.* Mrs. Yette Schultz of Roxbury, Mass., has donated a Melody Master Audio unit with two talking rails of six controls each to the New England Deaf Mission Field. Pastor Thaler has attached long extension cords so that the audio equipment may be used with the sound movie projector. He reports that those who have sufficient usable hearing to benefit from the set have enjoyed it very much.

### **Deaf School in Ethiopia**

*Washington, D. C.* A former graduate student of Gallaudet College, Gary Dean Blake, will assist in establishing what is believed to be the first school for the Deaf in Ethiopia. He received his training in the education of the Deaf at Gallaudet College in the academic year 1959—60.

On Oct. 1, 1962, Gary Blake, accompanied by his wife and two small

children, left Little Rock, Ark., for Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, to become cofounder of a school for the Deaf in that country. Another American family will assist him in this task—the Linnie Dardens, whom the Blakes joined at their first stop in London. The two families planned stopovers in Paris, Rome, Athens, Jerusalem, and Cairo to visit schools for the Deaf.

The project of founding and operating the school in Addis Ababa is supported by the Church of Christ Ethiopian Mission Fund, with the Church of Christ, Faulkner and Robinson Streets, Conway, Ark., serving as sponsor of the Blakes.

For the past two years Mr. Blake has been teaching in the Minnesota School for the Deaf, Faribault, and Mr. Darden has been a dormitory supervisor in the California School for the Deaf in Berkeley.

## **Birth**

*St. Paul, Minn.* Pastor and Mrs. August L. Hauptman of St. Paul are the parents of a baby daughter. They have chosen the name Elizabeth for her.

## **Luther League of the Deaf**

*West Hartford, Conn.* The organizational meeting for the newly formed Luther League in the New England Field was held on Sept. 30.

Rev. Earl Thaler explained the purposes of the organization and suggested an outline for a future constitution.

Officers elected were: president, Miss Joan Umlauf; vice-president, Thomas Kraft; secretary, Miss Jane Kuzoian; treasurer, James Snow; devotional chairman, Melvin Eaton.

Regular meetings have been scheduled on the Saturday before the third Sunday each month at 4:30 P. M. Membership is open to all young people who are members of the congregation or are preparing for membership.

## **Austine Young People**

*West Hartford, Conn.* A young people's organization was formed at The Austine School for the Deaf at Brattleboro, Vt., on Oct. 8.

A name was scheduled to be selected at a later meeting. Officers elected were: president, James Derrmon; vice-president, Charles Johnson; secretary, Donald Powers.

## **New Members in Indianapolis Field**

*Indianapolis, Ind.* Five adults and one child were received into membership with the Lutheran Church, Indianapolis Deaf Mission Field, during October. Mr. Richard Snyder of Fort Wayne and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brandenburg of Richmond and

their daughter, Joyce, were baptized. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hinson of Richmond were accepted as members by confirmation. Rev. Daniel Pokorny is their pastor.

## **Banner for St. Matthew's**

*Newark, N. J.* Mr. and Mrs. Louis Slotnick made and gave a beautiful 3'x4' banner to St. Matthew's Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Newark with the symbols for "St. Matthew" (three money bags of a tax collector on a T-shaped cross), "Lutheran" (black cross on a red heart of the Gospel, lying on a white rose of Jesus), "Deaf" (ear crossed with bars.)

On Sept. 23 President Jack Suta carried the banner in procession, and it was dedicated to the glory of God for use in St. Matthew's Church. It has been installed in the baptistry, where it is displayed nicely against the drapery sewed by Mrs. Helen Libby.

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### **Services in Beloit**

*Delavan, Wis.* Services for the Deaf in Beloit, Wis., have been tentatively rescheduled on a quarterly basis. A declining membership occasioned by the death of elderly members left Beloit with a declining average attendance at monthly services. Moreover, the automobile lessens the need for services in Beloit because both Delavan and Rockford are within easy driving distance. In fact, Pastor Kosche reports that some Beloit members have already been commuting to the other services.

A car pool is planned for Sundays when Holy Communion is celebrated at Delavan.

### **Attend Lutheran Hour Rally**

*Beloit, Wis.* Fifty-four Deaf from Delavan, Madison, Rockford, and Beloit attended the Lutheran Hour rally in Beloit on Oct. 28. Mr. and Mrs. George Tschanner, Rulless James, and James Schrader drove pupils to the rally. Robert Hoffmann, Richard Nelson, Eugene Padon, and Hubert Suhr, Jr., served as ushers.

### **Officers Elected at Omaha**

*Omaha, Nebr.* Officers elected for 1963 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Omaha are: president, Earl Petersen; vice-president, Edward Engel; secretary, Nick Petersen (reelected); treasurer, William Bresley; elders, Ray Burgess and Edward Maier; trustees, Keith Stinger, Jack Stafford, and Vernon Meyer; auditors, Hans Neujahr and Vernon Meyer.

Earl Petersen, newly elected pres-

ident, has served Bethlehem Lutheran Church for the Deaf for the past 16 years as treasurer.

### **Fortieth Anniversary**

*Omaha, Nebr.* Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dobson of Omaha celebrated the 40th anniversary of their marriage on Oct. 28. Mr. and Mrs. Dobson were the second couple united in marriage by Rev. E. Mappes.

Their celebration was clouded by the recent death of their son, Theodore, in an automobile accident in Texas. The funeral was in Texas on Oct. 23.

### **Two Weddings in Gloria Dei Chapel**

*Detroit, Mich.* Donald Webster and Beth Waker were united in marriage in Gloria Dei Chapel, Detroit, on Sept. 8.

Jerry Collins and Margaret Nardoni were united in marriage on Oct. 27.

### **Thermofax in Use at Spokane**

*Spokane, Wash.* The Spokane, Wash., Field has the use of a thermofax photo-copying machine, Pastor Rodney Rynearson reports. The labels for the *Silent Lutheran News* for the Spokane Field are being reproduced by the machine.

With the Montana congregation, as separated as it is in several towns, the copier is used to send copies of important papers to the officers of the congregation.

Pastor Rynearson reports that the most important use of the photocopier is the reproduction of the pastor's sermon so that the people in Montana can meet weekly for worship. Such weekly services are now being held at Missoula and Billings.

## John of Beverley Workbooks

*Mill Neck, N. Y.* Editorial work is in process for books III and IV of the John of Beverley Workbooks in Religion. Target date for the completion of the writing and art work for both volumes is June 30, according to the *Mill Neck Manor Bulletin*. The initial distribution is scheduled for Sept. 1.

Mrs. Alice Gyle of Miami, Fla., is preparing the current stage of Book III on the "Life of Christ." Rev. George Kraus of Brooklyn, N. Y., is preparing the current stage of Book IV. It will be devoted to the Old Testament.

Headmaster Melvin Luebke states in the *Bulletin*: "Nothing like our Workbooks has ever before been attempted in Protestant circles, and the single Roman Catholic effort, to our knowledge, is not satisfactory. Virtually everything of the past has been a feeble effort to transpose materials designed for hearing children to fit the needs of the Deaf, with scant attention paid to or understanding of the peculiar religious needs created by the handicap of deafness."

## Baptisms

*Detroit, Mich.* Jon Allan and Robert Ernest, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hardenburg of Pontiac, Mich., were baptized in Gloria Dei Chapel, Detroit, on June 10. Sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Harley Stottler.

Debbie Susan, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Klein, born July 21, was baptized on Aug. 26. Mr. and Mrs. Emil DeMeyere were sponsors.

*Sioux City, Iowa.* Korey Gene

Ullrich, grandson of Mrs. Albert Ullrich of Martinsburg, Nebr., was baptized in Peace Lutheran Church, Sioux City, on Oct. 14.

*Washington, D. C.* Four sons, three of them triplets, of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reed, Vienna, Va., were baptized by Pastor Emil Ibele in Vienna on Oct. 28. Jerry Taylor was born March 18, 1957, and David Walker, Daniel Lee, and Donald Charles were born April 30, 1958. Pastor Harry Hoemann interpreted for their deaf parents. Mr. and Mrs. James Dunlap were sponsors.

*Des Moines, Iowa.* Kimberly Hope, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Dempewolf, nee McLaran, of Des Moines, was baptized in a private service at Calvary Lutheran Church for the Deaf on Sept. 8. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Dempewolf were sponsors.

*Colorado Springs, Colo.* Gloria Jean Venrick, born April 17, was baptized on Sept. 16 at Immanuel Lutheran Chapel for the Deaf, Colorado Springs. Witnesses were the baby's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Venrick.

## Publish Filmstrip

*Sioux Falls, S. Dak.* The Ephphatha Mission of The American Lutheran Church in collaboration with Cathedral Films, Inc., has published a filmstrip on the Deaf called "Faith — By the Grace of God." The filmstrip is in color and has 41 frames. It may be obtained with a 12-minute 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ -rpm record. According to a brochure describing the filmstrip it is designed to appeal to a local congregation so that it will be aware of the Deaf, accept them as people, and understand some of the problems which they have because of their handicap.





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- January 1 — Matthew 1
- January 2 — Matthew 2
- January 3 — Matthew 3
- January 4 — Matthew 4
- January 5 — Matthew 5: 1-16
- January 6 — Matthew 5: 17-48
- January 7 — Matthew 6: 1-18
- January 8 — Matthew 6: 19-34
- January 9 — Matthew 7
- January 10 — Matthew 8: 1-27
- January 11 — Matthew 8: 28—9: 8
- January 12 — Matthew 9: 9-38
- January 13 — Matthew 10
- January 14 — Matthew 11
- January 15 — Matthew 12: 1-21

- January 16 — Matthew 12: 22-50
- January 17 — Matthew 13: 1-30
- January 18 — Matthew 13: 31-58
- January 19 — Matthew 14: 1-21
- January 20 — Matthew 14: 22-36
- January 21 — Matthew 15: 1-20
- January 22 — Matthew 15: 21-39
- January 23 — Matthew 16
- January 24 — Matthew 17
- January 25 — Matthew 18: 1-14
- January 26 — Matthew 18: 15-35
- January 27 — Matthew 19: 1-15
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