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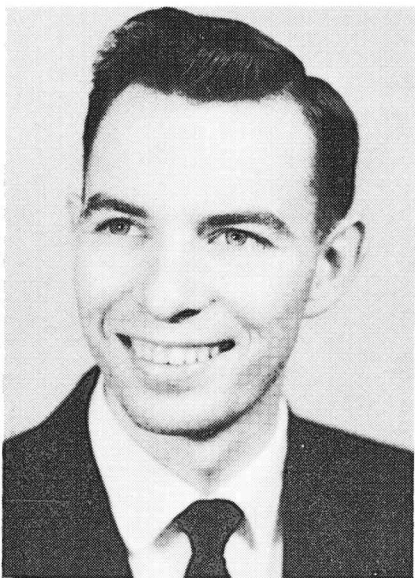
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Your New Editor

Washington, D. C. Pastor Martin A. Hewitt of Christ Lutheran Church, Cleveland, Ohio, was appointed editor of the DEAF LUTHERAN by the Board for Missions to the Deaf at Ephphatha Conference in Estes Park, Colo., on July 9, 1964.



Editor Martin A. Hewitt

Ordained to the holy ministry on July 14, Pastor Hewitt was graduated from Concordia Junior College in Bronxville, N. Y., in 1955 and from Concordia Senior College, Fort Wayne, Ind., in 1959. He was awarded a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Concordia Theological Seminary in St. Louis, Mo., in May 1963.

He was married on Aug. 4, 1962, to Janet Steinke, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Steinke of Syracuse, N. Y. Mrs. Hewitt is an alumna of Valparaiso, University, Valparaiso, Ind.

This issue of the DEAF LUTHERAN was assembled by Pastor Hewitt and Pastor Hoemann working jointly on its contents. The December issue will be edited entirely by Pastor Hewitt. All news material and pictures for the December issue should be sent to Pastor Hewitt at 1221 Virginia Ave. in Cleveland. Any suggestions for the future of the DEAF LUTHERAN under the editorship of Pastor Hewitt may be sent to this address also.

Vote on Election Day

Christians in a democracy have a responsibility that Christians do not have when they live under another form of government. In a democracy the leadership of the country is chosen by the people. This means that the people are finally responsible for what the country does. In the United States the people cannot blame the officials for all of their problems. The people elect the officials. The people must accept the responsibility themselves.

When Christians fail to assume their responsibility actively by casting a vote in elections, they are saying in effect that they either do not wish to decide who will lead their country or that they do not care who leads their country. There is no third choice here, such as being unable to help decide. There are people who claim that one vote doesn't matter. They are wrong. In the total count, one vote may not change the results of the election.

But the kind of attitude which encourages people to neglect to vote can very definitely change an election. Attitudes tend to be contagious. And the "don't bother to vote" epidemic can be a serious thing in a democratic election. It can result in a state of indifference toward national policy and international affairs which continues long after the election itself is over. It can lead to especially serious consequences for local government if only a small number of votes are capable of putting into office the people who will be responsible for the police, the schools, and the zoning ordinances of a community.

It is the duty of each citizen and especially of every Christian citizen to become acquainted with the issues which will be decided by each election, and to cast a ballot which exerts its particular influence for the kind of policies and the kind of people which are desired for the country and for the community.

Neglect to vote, and you neglect your own future and that of your children. Refuse to cast a ballot, and you refuse to accept the responsibility that is yours to help choose the leadership for your government.

Be a citizen. Be a Christian citizen. Cast your ballot on election day, and cast it with care.

Home for the Young Deaf

Far away in the land of Africa, in the country of Nigeria, in a city called Ibadan, a small group of deaf children are receiving a priceless gift of love from three volunteer teachers, two of whom are Nigerian and one an American. The priceless gift which these children are receiving is the gift of an education.

Who can measure by any means the value of an education? Proper teaching is the key to learning, and learning is the key to the future of every individual. Education opens the doors of understanding, of appreciation, of employment, of self-sufficiency, the doors of humanity.

The Home for the Young Deaf opened in September 1963. The town of Ibadan in which it is located is a city about the size of metropolitan St. Louis, about one million population. The home is owned and staffed by Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Oyesola. The American teacher, Mrs. Charles Yunghans, is from Valparaiso, Ind. The purpose of the

Home for the Young Deaf is to supply a Christian atmosphere in which the children will be given a chance to grow mentally, physically, and spiritually. Its preschool program will pave the way for the child's primary education, which the Home plans to supply in the future. The Home offers training in lipreading, the manual alphabet, arts and crafts, religion, sense training, dancing and rhythm, and physical education. The Home conducts its own nondenominational Sunday school services.

Classroom facilities and instruction are offered without charge. The teachers have been serving without pay. The Home for the Young Deaf is truly a venture of faith. Begun on a financial shoestring, the Home depends for its future and for its survival on support that can be obtained from outside assistance. It has many needs — books, play equipment, educational toys, a tape recorder, record player, piano, group and individual hearing aids, as well

as the normal classroom needs of any school.

The problems of a deaf child are significantly greater in some parts of Africa than they are in the United States generally. The parents of a deaf child often think that an evil spirit has stolen the child's tongue and ears. Such handicapped children may be cast off from their families and shunned by their tribe. The Home for the Young Deaf is the only hope for many of these children.

Those who may be interested in helping support the Home for the Young Deaf may write to Mrs. Jacob Oyesola, Headmistress, Home for the Young Deaf, P. O. Box 882, Ibadan, or Mrs. Charles E. Yunghans, The Technical College, Private Mail Bag 5063, Ibadan, Nigeria.

The former editor of the DEAF LUTHERAN, Pastor Hoemann, is personally acquainted with both Mrs. Jacob Oyesola and Mrs. Charles Yunghans. Mrs. Oyesola spent a year in special training at Gallaudet College a couple of years ago. Pastor Hoemann was taking courses at that time from the graduate department in education, with the result that for at least a few hours a week he and Mrs. Oyesola were classmates. Then last summer Mrs. Yunghans visited the United States and Gallaudet College, and the Hoemanns were privileged to have her as a dinner guest one evening. She



Mrs. Charles Yunghans in Nigerian garb

showed the Hoemann family slides of the Home and of her life in Nigeria, and she let Mrs. Hoemann try on the Nigerian garb in which she is pictured with this article.

The brief but happy association which your former editor had with both of these fine people is one which he prizes highly. He remembers both with fond memories and wishes them God's blessings and good success for the future. And he commends them and the young deaf children for whom they are caring to your prayers and to your concern for their welfare.

Letter from the Executive Secretary

Dear Friends in Christ:

It has been quite some time since last I reported to you through these columns. As you can imagine, these first months have been both extremely busy and exciting.

Appreciation for some fine men

First, I must tell you that I have come to a new appreciation and regard for our Board for Missions. I want all of our Deaf to know this. There are five men on our board.

All these men have their own full-time work. Pastors Drews and Koberg serve large churches. Pastor Schroeder is director of Crest View Lutheran Home for the Aged near Minneapolis. Dr. Mitchell is directing a Federal research project at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. Mr. C. J. Jacobson is a salesman for Northwest Airlines, on which a number of our pastors fly each month.

These men serve you without pay. They have been doing this for a good many years. Our chairman, Pastor Drews, who has served our Lord as a minister for 25 years, has been on our board for 12 years. Every two months we meet for board meetings, at which we discuss our Deaf churches. Four meetings have been held till now this year. Our minutes show that already 151 resolutions have been taken care of, and with two more meetings yet to be held this year, that list of resolutions will go over 200. That means a lot of time and work has been put in, many problems have been met. Taking care of the church needs of over 5,000 deaf members, 54 pastors, vicars, and parish workers is not an easy or a small task. All of us should be happy that we have these fine men giving freely of their time, wisdom, and labor to serve us. We thank God for them.

They that labor among you in word and deed

Now I would like to tell you about some other wonderful men, our pastors who serve you every day of the week. And along with them I do not want to forget their faithful wives, who are also a great part of our mission. The pastors and

a good many of their wives met at Ephphatha Conference in Colorado in July. I am sure this meeting will be reported on other pages of the DEAF LUTHERAN. I wish all of you could have been there to see the work they did. Our secretary, Pastor DeLaney, must have had a real bad case of "writer's cramps" when it was all done. His book of the proceedings (minutes) lists 26 pages of reports and resolutions: 37 different items. Some of the things most of you will read about as the next year progresses: A Lay Training Program for deaf people who wish to work in the church; the Deafness Research Foundation, which is making a special study of the things that cause deafness; A Handbook and Guide for our pastors and vicars; Interpreting for the Deaf; Regional Conferences; Captioned Films; the Deaf Mission Society; and the DEAF LUTHERAN. These were a few of the things discussed.

But not all was serious business. One evening the chairman, Pastor Bailey, asked Pastor Drews, chairman of the board, to make a presentation to me as the new executive secretary. Pastor Drews handed me a large gray envelope and said: "Ephphatha Conference wants me to give you this just in case any missionaries get into your hair." Bald as I am, this did not make much sense, until I opened the envelope. Out came a huge yellow comb, 3×14 inches — and a roar of laughter filled the hall. All I could think to say was: "Though I may not have any hair, I now have some very large teeth." Many more people have laughed when they saw this monstrous comb now in my office.

Midwest Deaf

Following Ephphatha Conference, the Midwest Conference of the Deaf met at the same YMCA Camp at Estes Park, Colo. What a fine meeting that was! The host committee, Geo. Dietz, C. Schmidt, Ray Dietz, R. Nester, W. Bell, J. Carlson, Rev. Lange, and the officers of the Midwest Region, had a well-planned program on the theme "Fellowship." We all had to "dig" into our Bibles as the lay leaders discussed three topics: "Fellowship in Christ Jesus," "Fellowship of the Holy Spirit," and "Fellowship in Action." Everyone enjoyed the discussions and, I am sure, was blessed in knowledge and in spirit. On Sunday morning the guest preacher, Rev. A. Jonas, had a stirring sermon also on the topic "Fellowship," showing how man, who was in the beginning made into a perfect unity and fellowship with God, lost this blessing when he sinned and fell away from God, but now is again reborn and renewed into a fellowship of peace with God through faith in Jesus Christ.

Northwest Deaf

In August we enjoyed attending two other weekend conferences. The first was at a camp near Great Falls, Mont., where we met with the people served by Pastor Rynearson. Mr. N. Shular, Mr. V. Hippe, and Mr. V. Lyon, all of Great Falls, directed the camp and again presented a fine program of inspiration and Bible study. One Saturday night a group from each city presented their own lesson skit, which was acted out on the stage. This was enjoyed by all. I had the pleasure of preaching at the Sunday morning Communion service. On Sunday

afternoon the annual business meeting was held. The Deaf in Montana have an unusual organization. All the people from five cities are organized into a single statewide congregation called Christ Lutheran Church of Montana. Each city is represented on the church council by an elected vice-president. It was a pleasure to observe the members and officers work together for their common benefit and spiritual welfare.

The second conference was the Northwest Regional, held in Portland, Oreg., hosted by the Portland congregation and Pastor L. Harris, and attended by Deaf from Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia. Here again we had a wonderful meeting. The topic or theme was "Go and Tell," which was discussed in two sessions. Saturday night we enjoyed watching Pastors Bottlinger and Rynearson do a beautiful job of interpreting the inspiring movie *A Letter to Nancy*. I had the joy of preaching Sunday morning on the words of Jesus, "You have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you that you should go and bear fruit."

All of us at the Northwest Conference were saddened by the news that a young man, Mr. Shepherd, a member of our Portland Church, had given his life in an attempt to save his young nephew who was caught in the outgoing tide at a beach near Oregon City. Late Saturday night Pastors Harris and Beyer went out to comfort the young wife and family. May their sorrow be taken from them in the knowledge that another gave His life to save us, our crucified yet risen Savior, Jesus, with whom we will meet again in heaven.

While on this trip into the North-

west, we also met with the building committees of two churches, Great Falls and Vancouver, both of which are planning new deaf churches; visited and spoke to congregations in Spokane, Vancouver, and Victoria; viewed our church properties in Seattle and Portland, and met with Mr. A. Brodie in Vancouver to discuss a program for training deaf men and women for church work, a program he has long been promoting. Also, while in Seattle with Pastor and Mrs. Beyer, we visited an aged lady, a saintly

Christian soul, who has long been a shut-in. What a joy to see her steadfast faith in her Savior!

Yes, we have had a full and interesting summer and have been blessed by the kindnesses and Christian fellowship of many people, for which we are deeply thankful. We pray God's care and keeping be with you and yours and all our churches.

Greetings in our Lord and Savior Jesus.

REV. HERBERT W. ROHE
St. Louis, Mo.

Christian Womanhood

A truly Christian home is the nearest thing to heaven on earth. And the most important influence in that home is the Christian wife and mother.

Christianity has placed the wife beside the husband to be loved as Christ loved the church and gave Himself for it. That has given the Christian woman her high position. And she has proved herself a great blessing by making a home possible where the husband is honored, the

wife loved, and the children considered a blessing of the Lord.

To a woman the Christian home is a haven of safety and her proper place of service. Through the home she becomes a blessing. How foolish it often is for a woman to neglect home, husband, and children for a career outside the home! How wise the woman is who finds in the home and family her greatest happiness and contentment!

REV. JOHN A. BEYER
Seattle, Wash.

Building for the Future

Ohio District Convention June 16—19, 1964, Cleveland, Ohio

Pastor William A. Ludwig, missionary to the Deaf for the Columbus Field, appeared before the Ohio District convention last summer to present plans for a building program for the Columbus Field. It is hoped that the Ohio District will support the Columbus building project in the amount of approximately \$20,000 by way of contributions from con-

gregations and church organizations. The total cost of the proposed building will be about \$100,000. It will be located within two blocks of the Ohio School for the Deaf.

Also attending the convention was Pastor Martin A. Hewitt of Christ Lutheran Church, the Lutheran deaf congregation in Cleveland, missionary to the Deaf in northern Ohio. Pastor Hewitt interpreted the proceedings of the convention for

Pastor Ludwig and Pastor Ludwig's presentation to the convention.

Christ Lutheran Church in Cleveland was the first recipient of funds from the international Lutheran Lutheran Women's Missionary League for its chapel for the Deaf in Cleveland. The Central District of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League is supporting the Columbus chapel with a gift of \$4,000. Both

Christ Congregation in Cleveland and Holy Cross Congregation in Columbus have LWML chapters for mission-conscious women members.

Pastors Hewitt and Ludwig serve a combined communicant membership of 340. Mission stations for the two fields extend from Huntington, W. Va., to Toledo, Ohio, on Lake Erie.



Pastor William Ludwig (left) and Pastor Martin Hewitt display a model of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church for the Deaf in St. Paul, Minn., for the Ohio District convention in June 1964

Ephphatha Conference

Second Report

In the third session of Ephphatha Conference, held last July, Pastor Martin Kosche reported for the Deaf Mission Society.

Pastor Kosche gave a brief history of the society, noting that it was begun about 10 years ago by several missionaries to the Deaf in the eastern part of the United States. Its object is to promote the establishment of foreign missions among the Deaf. During the years the idea caught fire here and there throughout the Lutheran Mission to the Deaf.

In 1960 a constitution revision committee was appointed, and in 1961 the proposed constitution with three emendations was approved by Ephphatha Conference and submitted to the Board for Missions to the Deaf for its consideration. The board subsequently approved the constitution which is now in effect. This constitution calls for an executive committee consisting of the regional counselors of the deaf mission program and an advisory committee comprised of deaf laymen representing each region and therefore each congregation within each region.

Pastor Kosche further reported that the Central Region has urged that the LDMS (Lutheran Deaf Mission Society) print contribution envelopes and make them available to each mission field. The executive board has discussed this proposal and decided that unless an accompanying brochure were available to explain the objectives of the society, the envelopes would not serve their purpose. The executive board re-

solved to print 10,000 envelopes and 10,000 brochures, sufficient for two contacts with each communicant member of the Lutheran Mission to the Deaf. One thousand membership cards will also be printed to serve as a receipt to each person or society making a contribution. A charter form will also be made available to local chapters of the society.

Pastor Kosche noted that the existence of a Deaf Mission Society serves very useful purposes, to point up needs for missions to the Deaf in foreign countries and to allow the Deaf in the United States to express their concern for lost souls of the Deaf throughout the world.

The "Deaf Lutheran"

Ephphatha Conference kindly gave the DEAF LUTHERAN considerable time and thought as it considered the resignation of Pastor H. Hoemann as editor. Pastor Hoemann ventured the opinion that the DEAF LUTHERAN does not fulfil the objectives for which it was originally published, and that such objectives as it might have could be met by other means. He pointed out that the mission fields which are supposed to support the DEAF LUTHERAN by contributing news and by buying subscriptions do not generate enough material to fill a magazine as ambitious as a 16-page monthly publication and suggested the possibility of changing the DEAF LUTHERAN to a newspaper, which might enjoy wider acceptance by the Deaf, or to a quarterly publication, which would take considerable pressure off the editor to fill the magazine with editor-written materials.

However, the conference was unwilling to suspend publication of the DEAF LUTHERAN or to curtail its size. A motion carried to request the board to continue the publication in its present form and to appoint a new editor. An amendment to encourage blanket subscription plans also carried. In the sixth session of conference Executive Secretary Herbert Rohe announced that Pastor Martin Hewitt of Cleveland had been appointed editor and that he had accepted the appointment.

In Resolution 17 the conference expressed its appreciation to Pastor Hoemann for his labors as editor of the DEAF LUTHERAN and encouraged him to continue to submit materials for consideration by the new editor for publication.

Deaf Missions Handbook

In the fifth session Pastor DeLaney on behalf of the Handbook Committee moved that a section formerly proposed with regard to transfers of membership be deleted and a substitute text adopted. After this a further section titled "Training of New Called Workers" was also deleted. It was then announced

that the *Deaf Missions Handbook* is ready for publication as a separate document. It will appear in loose-leaf format so that future changes can be made without reprinting the entire *Handbook*. A corrected text was attached to the proceedings of the 1964 Ephphatha Conference.

The *Handbook* serves a double purpose for the deaf mission program. It includes authoritative guidelines from the Board for Missions to the Deaf, reflecting its policies with regard to the program and its personnel. It also contains a wealth of experience from missionaries to the Deaf which can serve as a model of procedure for missionaries confronting a particular kind of administrative, personal, or pastoral situation for the first time.

In addition to the *Handbook*, two other important reports were attached to the *Proceedings*, the report from the Board for Missions to the Deaf and the report from Rev. William Reinking, counselor for work among the Deaf in the Far East.

If time and space permit, summaries of these reports will be reported in a later issue of the DEAF LUTHERAN.



† John B. Smith †

Pittsburgh, Pa. Mr. John B. Smith of Mount Pleasant, Pa., who had attended services for the Deaf in Greensburg for many years, departed this life on Aug. 20. Funeral services were conducted for him on Aug. 24 in Mount Pleasant, Pa.

Gary Bayne Baptized

Omaha, Nebr. Gary Alan, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bayne, was baptized into the Christian faith on June 28 at Peace Lutheran Church, Sioux City, Iowa. His sponsors are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Isaacson of New Jersey.

Board Permits Building Plans

Memphis, Tenn. The Board for Missions to the Deaf has given the Deaf in Memphis permission to begin making plans for a deaf church building. Building Fund envelopes are being made available to members and friends of Peace and Grace Congregations so that they may contribute gifts to the glory of God and for the future deaf chapel in Memphis.

Members of the building committee are Pastor Gordon Gross of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mr. Clarence Stroupe of Christ the King Congregation, Mr. Ken Krohn of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Mr. Bedore Webb of West Memphis, Mr. Joe Zellner of Immanuel, Mr. Tommy Wright of Peace Lutheran Church, and a layman from Grace Lutheran Church who has not yet been appointed. Rev. Donald Leber is pastor of Grace and Peace Congregations.

Mark Peach Baptized

Memphis, Tenn. Mark William, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. James Peach of Nashville, Tenn., was baptized during the worship service in Knoxville on Sept. 6 at 3:00 p. m. Rev. Donald E. Leber was the officiant.

Interprets Lutheran Bible Institute

Memphis, Tenn. From Sept. 17 to Oct. 22 every Thursday evening the Lutheran Bible institute at Trinity Lutheran Church in Memphis, Tenn., was interpreted for the Deaf by Pastor Donald Leber.

The subject of the institute was "Studies from the Book of Genesis."

† William Gibson †

Pittsburgh, Pa. Mr. William Gibson of Pittsburgh, Pa., departed

this life on Aug. 22 at the age of 70 years. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Frank Wagenknecht on Aug. 26, with interment at Homewood Cemetery. He is survived by his wife and by many friends.

Seward College Study Club

Omaha, Nebr. Again this year Concordia Teachers College in Seward, Nebr., has permitted Pastor Herman Graef to conduct a "specialized Mission and Education Study Club" on campus. Every first and third Thursday the pastor travels to Seward for this activity. The college staff welcomes the addition to its program, and Pastor Graef hopes that through these meetings more and more teachers across the nation will understand the needs and abilities of the Deaf and that our mission program will benefit from their knowledge and skills. Your prayers for this project are invited.

78th P. S. A. D. Convention

Pittsburgh, Pa. Pastor Frank Wagenknecht of Trinity Lutheran Church of the Deaf, Pittsburgh, had the privilege of serving as chaplain for the two-day convention of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf last summer.

He also served as interpreter at the banquet because Mrs. Trudy Haines was unexpectedly called away. Mrs. Fanny Lang, Public Relations Director for the P. S. A. D., was toastmaster for the banquet. Mr. Merv. Garretson of Gallaudet College and Mr. William Lufborrow of Goodwill Industries were guest speakers.

Mrs. Laura Kieffer, member of Trinity Congregation, signed "America" for the banquet. Mr. John Mau-

rer of Pittsburgh was reelected president.

Picnic in Huntington

Columbus, Ohio. The congregation in Huntington, W. Va., enjoyed a picnic last July 24 in the yard of Mr. and Mrs. Scragg.

Report from Kansas City

Kansas City, Mo. In the Kansas City Field, Pastor Alvin E. Ferber feels that it is a privilege to take part in several state and civic organizations. The accompanying photograph shows Pastor Ferber serving as guest chaplain in the 17th biennial convention of the Kansas Association of the Deaf at Hutchinson, Kans., Aug. 8 and 9, 1964.

Two hundred and ten guests were present at the banquet. Pastor Fer-

ber, who led the gathering in prayer, is seated at the table, the fourth person from the right. Seated to the right of Pastor Ferber is Mr. William Fansler, president-elect of the association. Third from the pastor's right is the past president, Mr. Stanley Ferguson. Second from the pastor's left is the treasurer, Mr. Henry Yahn.

Pastor Ferber also served as guest chaplain at the Missouri Association of the Deaf nineteenth triennial convention assembled in Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 28—30.

Pastor Ferber is a member of the Board of Directors of the Greater Kansas City Hearing and Speech Center and a member of the Missouri Youth Committee of the Association for Social Welfare.



Seated at the round table, the center couple is Mr. and Mrs. Louis Martin of Hutchinson, Kans., members of the Kansas Convention Committee. Mr. and Mrs. Martin are active members of the Lutheran Church, Mrs. Martin serving as choir leader on a number of occasions when the congregation is privileged to present a worship service on Television Station KTVH, Channel 12

Attend Montana District Convention

Spokane, Wash. Mr. Victor Lyon, Rev. Rodney Rynearson, and Vicar Donald Zuhn attended the Montana District convention at Glendive, Mont., Aug. 24—28. Mr. Lyon served as delegate for Christ Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Montana.

Peter Rynearson Baptized

Spokane, Wash. Peter Mark, infant son of Pastor and Mrs. Rodney Rynearson, was baptized on July 12. Godparents were his great-aunt, Miss Mathilda Brock of Omaha; his uncle, Rev. Irvin Bruenjes of Abilene, Kans.; and his aunt, Mrs. Marilyn Rynearson of Houston.

† Stella Hether †

Memphis, Tenn. Mrs. Stella Hether, a charter member of Grace Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Memphis, departed this life during the past summer at Flint, Mich.

Forty-five Prep Students

Washington, D. C. Religious orientation night for incoming students at Gallaudet College took place on Sept. 13. Campus Pastor H. Hoemann was given a list of 42 names of students who had registered a preference for the Lutheran Church. When the Lutheran students were invited to leave the auditorium with Willis Mann, returning Lutheran student assisting the administration with orientation activities, and with Pastor Hoemann, 45 students filled the student union chapel to the point where standing room only was left.

Pastor Hoemann announced the schedule of worship services and religious activities for the coming year, including regular services of

worship with Holy Communion every Sunday morning at 8:30 a. m. and vespers every Sunday night at 9:00 p. m. The Lutheran Student Organization, Gamma Delta, will resume its activities upon the return of its officers for the current year: Carole Billone, Bonnie Rogers, Bonnie Halverson, and Arlen Finke.

Approximately 12 percent of the student body of Gallaudet College is comprised of students who are affiliated with Lutheran congregations throughout the country.

† Rebecca Aldridge †

Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Rebecca Aldridge, born Aug. 20, 1869, departed this life on Friday, Aug. 21, 1964, the day following her 95th birthday. Mrs. Aldridge was received into membership with Christ Lutheran Church in Cleveland in 1941.

Nancy Peebles Baptized

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. Nancy Jo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Peebles of Calvin, N. Dak., was baptized into the Christian faith on Aug. 16 by Rev. F. P. Gehrs at a service in Grafton, N. Dak. Sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lucier of Winnipeg. Nancy Jo was born May 14.

Monthly services for the Deaf are held in Zion English Lutheran Church in Grafton, where this baptism also took place. The Deaf come from many miles around to attend services in Grafton every month. For example, Calvin, N. Dak., is over 100 miles from Grafton.

Picnic Held at Parsonage

Washington, D. C. Picnics are less likely to be rained out for Christ

Deaf Congregation in Washington, D. C., now that the parsonage is equipped with a spacious carport. A picnic scheduled for Wheaton Regional Park on Sept. 13 was moved to the parsonage in the wake of Hurricane Dora. Although many members of the congregation assumed that the picnic had been cancelled because of the cold, wet day, those who faced the uncertain weather were rewarded by charcoal-broiled hot dogs and hamburgers grilled by chef-pastor Hoemann. During the afternoon the planning council set up the schedule of special services and social events for the coming year. Mrs. Ruth Peterson is the director of public relations and social activities.

**Pastor and Mrs. Anderson
Blessed with Twins**

Jacksonville, Ill. Pastor and Mrs. Anderson were doubly blessed recently with the birth of twin sons. Brent Duane was born Thursday morning, Aug. 20, at 2:58, weighing 5 pounds, 12 ounces. Bryant Kane followed nine minutes later at 3:07, weighing 6 pounds, $\frac{3}{4}$ ounce.

William Walker Baptized

Miami, Fla. William Allen Walker, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen Walker, was baptized into the Christian faith on Sept. 6 at Deaf Zion Lutheran Church, Miami, Fla. Pastor F. G. Gyle was the officiant.

**Dale Ralph Rundle and
Barbara Gross Wed**

Cleveland, Ohio. Dale Ralph Rundle and Miss Barbara Gross were united in holy matrimony at

Gethsemane Lutheran Church, East Cleveland, on Sept. 12 with Pastor Martin Hewitt conducting the ceremony. Mary Jo and Donald Lambert served the couple as matron of honor and best man, respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Rundle will make their home in Lakewood, Ohio.

Summer Bible Study

Miami, Fla. Pastor F. G. Gyle reports that he has conducted a successful Bible study program this past summer. Vacation Bible schools were held in four Florida cities where 59 deaf youngsters were taught. Fifteen deaf youngsters attended summer camp at Lake Wales, Fla., and two young deaf were sent to the Lutheran Service Volunteer school. Transportation, teaching, and service tasks were handled by several Walther Leaguers and Missionary Leaguers.

**Kenneth Nelson and
Shirley Simonson Wed**

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Can. Kenneth Nelson and Shirley Simonson were united in holy matrimony on Saturday, July 25, in an afternoon service in Big Woods Lutheran Church at rural Oslo, Minn. The service was conducted by Rev. P. Guldseth, pastor of Big Woods Lutheran Church. Rev. F. P. Gehrs of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Can., interpreted the service for the deaf couple and for the other deaf present. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson will make their home in East Grand Forks, Minn.

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**Daily Bible Readings
for November**

“Light for Your Way”

- November 1 — Luke 6: 27-36
- November 2 — 1 Thessalonians
4: 9-12
- November 3 — Titus 2: 1-10
- November 4 — John 14: 25-31
- November 5 — Judges 6: 25-32
- November 6 — 1 Kings 18: 20-40
- November 7 — 2 Kings 23: 1-14
- November 8 — Acts 19: 8-20
- November 9 — Romans 15: 1-4
- November 10 — Luke 13: 6-9
- November 11 — Philippians 2: 12-18
- November 12 — 2 Peter 1: 1-11
- November 13 — Matthew 15: 14-30
- November 14 — Matthew 19: 16-22

- November 15 — 1 Peter 4: 1-11
- November 16 — Revelation 2: 1-7
- November 17 — Romans 12: 1, 2
- November 18 — Matthew 16: 24-28
- November 19 — John 12: 20-26
- November 20 — Micah 6: 6-8
- November 21 — Matthew 7: 21-27
- November 22 — Romans 12: 9-13
- November 23 — Philippians 4: 4-13
- November 24 — Matthew 5: 1-12
- November 25 — Matthew 19: 23-30
- November 26 — Malachi 3: 6-12
- November 27 — 2 Corinthians
9: 1-15
- November 28 — 1 Peter 3: 8-12
- November 29 — 1 Thessalonians
4: 13-18
- November 30 — 2 Peter 3: 8-12

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