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## Some Interesting Photos of Recent Events

### Rev. Gordon Hein Installed



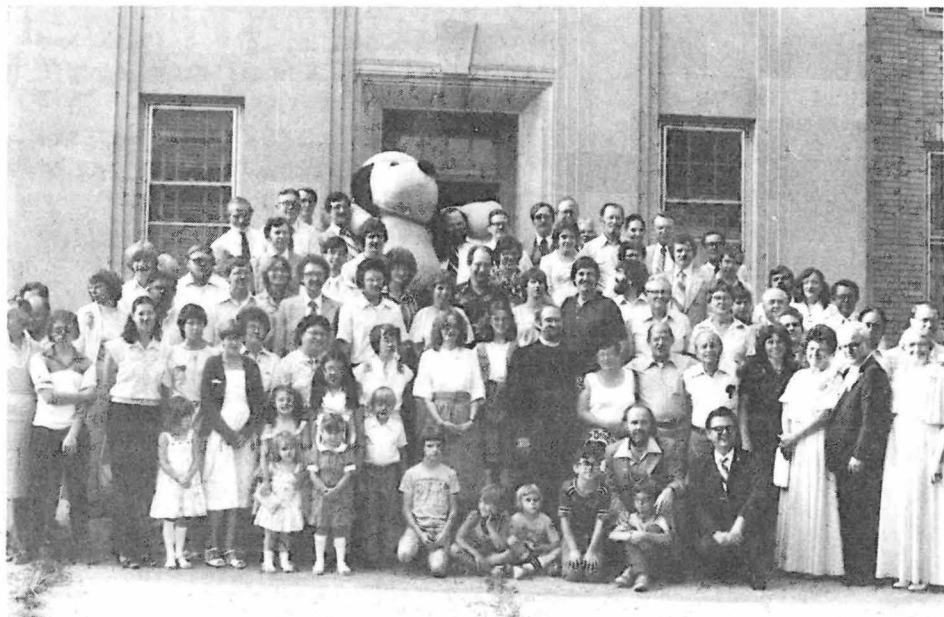
Top: The pastors and one lay minister who were present at Christ The King Lutheran Church in Duluth, Minnesota on December 8, 1980, for the installation of Rev. Gordon Hein as pastor for the deaf in Minnesota North and North Wisconsin. Pastor Hein is a native of Pembroke, Ontario, and a 1980 graduate of Lutheran Theological Seminary in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Pastor Hein (4th from the left front row) is standing next to Pastor Robert Corl, whose ministry in North Wisconsin ends with the installation of Pastor Hein.

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### Ephphatha

Bottom: A picture that was slow in coming out of the camera! The participants at EPHPHATHA CON

EPHPHATHA CONFERENCE at the Lutheran School for the Deaf in Detroit, Michigan, in July 1980. The big question is: Who is the visitor in the back row?



### Installation of Mill Neck Foundation Executive



### at John of Beverley Chapel

Mill Neck Manor's John or Beverley Chapel was the scene for the installation of the Rev. Edward A. Rauff as first executive director of the Mill Neck Foundation and Lutheran Friends of the Deaf. In the afternoon of December 4, 1980, a group of one hundred persons gathered for a service of worship and celebration. Members of the Boards of Directors for both Lutheran Friends of the Deaf and the Foundation attended. Lutheran Friends' Board chairman, The Rev. George Kraus from New Britain, Connecticut was the liturgist. Pastor Rauff was presented as candidate for the office by the Foundation Board chairman, Mr. Philip Bauer, of Largo, Florida.

The Rev. Howard Schoenfeldt, of Hendersonville, North Carolina, preached the sermon, with the theme of "Summoned for Special Service." A choir from the Lutheran Center in New York, under the direction of Mr. Milton Briggs, sang three selections, including a musical version of Psalm 121.

The Rev. Ronald F. Fink, President of the Atlantic District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, performed the Rite of Installation, commending Pastor Rauff to God's care and guidance, and charging him:

As a Director for these agencies, you will assist the Boards in developing and implementing programs aimed at serving the spiritual and educational needs of the deaf wherever these needs are discovered; you will interpret the programs of these agencies to their constituencies, to the church at large and to the general public; you will seek to raise funding to support this special work, in a way in which God is glorified and the people are led to give as to the Lord; you will represent this religious ministry to the world of colleagues who also serve the deaf and strive to alleviate the handicaps which the hearing impaired suffer; and finally, you will be a leader in prayer and concern and love for these less advantaged brothers and sisters in Christ.

Those assembled were asked to commit themselves to support Pastor Rauff in his ministry with their prayer and encouragement. Following the service, the group reassembled in the Wood Dining Hall for refreshment. Thanks are due to many of the Boards of Directors and to the staff of Mill Neck Manor for their help in making this installation a memorable event.

# An Inspiring Testimony

## "You... Love... Jesus?"

-by Louise Crume, Editor:  
THE MUSTARD SEED newsletter  
Washington, D.C. & Towson, MD.

I have always wanted to share this particular story with you since it means a lot to me and maintains fresh for more than 25 years. Since this is a Valentine's month, I decided to take the immediate opportunity to share this love story with you.

In the summer of 1953, back home in Cleveland, I was at my childhood sweetheart's house playing with the deaf boy and his deaf sister. We were at the porch. All of a sudden, the boy saw a man park his car in front of the house and get out of the car. The boy immediately ran into the house shouting to his mother, "Preacher! Preacher!"

Preacher? Who was he? I had never seen him before. At that time I was only seven years old. I chose to remain silent and observe him closely and carefully. After he had finished talking to the boy's mother, he turned his attention to my friend and talked with him for awhile. I was impressed by the fact that this preacher could sign well and continued watching him silently. As soon as he saw that I was also deaf, he turned towards me and signed very slowly those three words -- "You...Love...Jesus?" I nodded yes very slowly, and at the same time, wondering why it took him so long to sign just three words -- "You love Jesus?" To me, it was as if it took him five minutes just to complete that one brief question.

Today, after all those years, this little story remains fresh in my mind -- in the back of my head for twenty-five years. I never could forget this one strange preacher and it was not for many years could I figure out why he signed those three words so slowly.

Later on, I learned the name of this preacher. He was Pastor Theodore Frederking, past pastor of Christ Lutheran Church of the Deaf in Cleveland, Ohio.

Pastor Frederking today is retired and now resides in Phoenix, Arizona.

The point that I am trying to emphasize here is that his reason for signing so slowly back then was to make sure that I would forever remember the question well, "You love Jesus?" Then and even now I answer it with a loud YES! resounding from my heart, mind, and soul--100% positively!

Something equally important

this experience has taught me how important it is that God wants us to spread this important lesson to others especially little children who must know of His love and His Son Jesus.

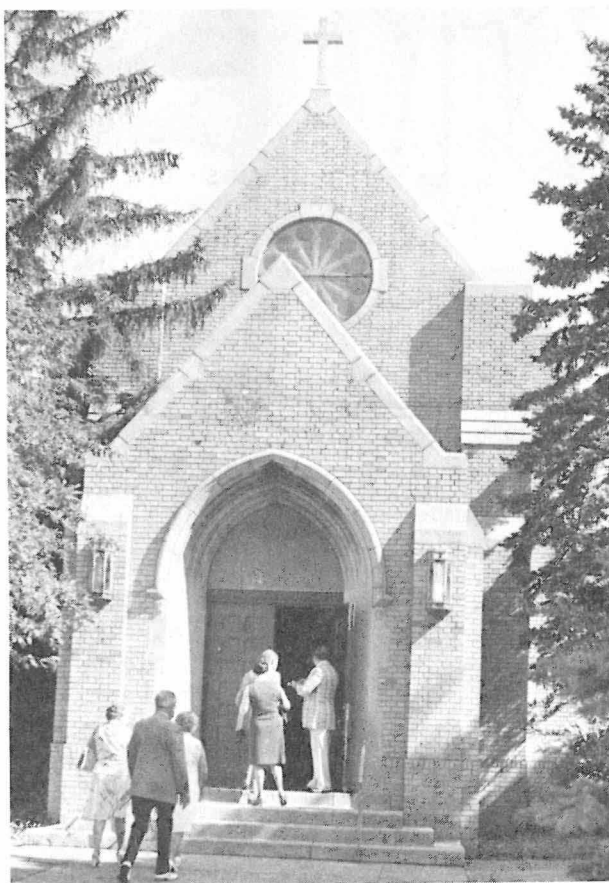
Little children are our future adults and missionaries and it is our responsibilities to see that they are brought up in the Christian faith.

Today, using the American Sign Language, I slowly sign--"You...love...Jesus?", imitating the method of Pastor Frederking which helped me to remember it for 25 years, hoping those to whom I ask the question will also remember it for as many years.

Let us love the Lord Jesus with all our hearts, minds, and souls. Happy Valentine!!!

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### CAN YOU IDENTIFY THIS CHURCH?



Are you following in the footsteps of these people? In the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod only about 39% of baptized people (adults plus children) attend church on an average Sunday. Were you among the 39% last Sunday ... or one of the 61% who missed church for one reason or another?

The Lord God prepares a wonderful feast for His people each Sunday. The food He gives for our souls is His Word and sacrament (Holy Communion). He invites each of us to come regularly and often. Accept His invitation.

Now we will have a little contest regarding the picture of the church above. Readers of The Deaf Lutheran are asked to try to identify the church. If you can, then send in the name and location of this church. Those who correctly identify the church will have their names

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Thank You for Your Contribution!



**...from  
our  
pastors**

**LOVE - PEACE - HOPE**

-from ALPHA newsletter  
Rochester, N.Y.  
Pastor Mark Seeger

*"Then Peter spoke: 'Now I really understand that God doesn't prefer one person to another. It doesn't matter what people you belong to; if you fear Him and do what's right, He accepts you. He sent His Word to the people of Israel to bring the news of peace in Jesus Christ--He is Lord of all.'"*  
Acts 10:34-36

**LOVE**

These are the opening verses of Peter's teaching Cornelius and his family in Caesare. Peter is starting by telling that it doesn't matter what race you are, God loves all people, all colors, all nationalities. Whether black or white or red or yellow or brown or any combination of colors, you are loved by God. God made you and you are as important to Him as any other person. Jesus Christ died for all people.

**PEACE**

This love that God has for us gives us peace. Even though we live in a troubled world, we have peace in Jesus Christ. We have peace because we know that spiritually, all is well. Even when we sin and fail, we know that we are forgiven. Even when we feel miserable and guilty, God gives us peace, because of the forgiveness won for us by Jesus Christ!

**HOPE**

We have hope. Hope of eternal life. Heaven is ours. It has been promised to us by God. Jesus has told us that He is preparing a place for us. What great news this is, the promise, the assurance of a blessed hope. Thank God for the love, peace and hope through Jesus!

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**IDENTIFY THIS CHURCH**  
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printed up in the next issue. Those entering this contest must be from another region of ILDA than the one the church is in.

This is one way we can become familiar with many of our churches for the deaf in the Mo.Synod. Anyone can send in a favorite black and white shot of their church and keep this contest going.

Send your answers to: The Editor Archie D. Marshall, 3743 Palm St. Louis, MO 63107.

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**IT PAYS TO SIN**

-from Christ L/C Deaf newsletter  
Hickory, NC  
Pastor David Carstens

There is a sign in a building downtown that says, "It Pays to Sin." Underneath it in small letters, is the statement found in Romans 6:23, "The wages of sin is death." Yes, sin does pay, but what wages!

The first thing that sin does is to hurt the man or woman who commits sin. Think of the people whose bodies have been damaged by the excess use of God's gifts, of drink or food, or sexual looseness; the people whose lives were made mean and so miserable because of jealousy, and fault-finding or gossip. People hurt themselves when they sin. God says "Be sure your sins will find you out." (Numbers 32:23) Sin always does.

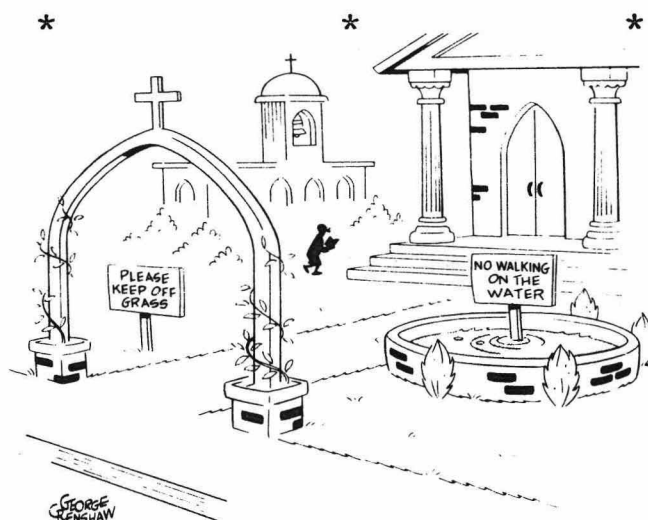
Sin pays wages in making people hate one another. Before sin came into the world, Adam and Eve lived happily together, loving each other as human beings should. But the moment they sinned against God, they found a wall of separation had come between them. This was not only between them as individuals, but between them and God their creator. These walls are still there. Sin makes homes unhappy, causes bitter struggles between groups of people, and brings war to mankind. Sin pays plenty!

But sin's greatest pay-day is the judgement day. That is the last and final pay-off. "For we must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ, that everyone may receive the things done in the body, according to what he hath done, whether it be good or bad."

Yes, sin pays wages, but God has a gift. The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God --a gift-- is life eternal. The person who receives this gift receives it by faith in Jesus Christ as their Savior. He paid the price for sinners and their sin with His life, death and His resurrection.

Jesus removed the wall between God and man, and between man and man. Remember "He that believeth on the Son hath eternal life."

(from a tract by the Back to God Tract Committee)



**THE MUSTARD SEED**

-from Lutheran Center for the Development of Ministries  
With the Deaf: Isaiah 29 newsletter  
Washington, D.C.  
Pastor George Natonick

*"I assure you that if you have faith as big as a mustard seed, you can say to this hill, 'go from here to there!' and it will go. You can do anything!"* (Matthew 17:20)

The words of Jesus which are quoted at the top of this column are powerful words for us to think about. He spoke these words after He had healed a son who had epilepsy. The disciples wondered why they could not cast out the demon that made this young boy ill. Jesus explained to them that it was their "unbelief" that hindered their ability to heal.

In the movie, "The Empire Strikes Back," there is a scene when Luke Skywalker is called upon to demonstrate his new found power of the Force. His X-Wing fighter has sunk beneath the murky waters of a swamp. Yoda, the Jedi instructor, tells Luke that he can use the Force to lift the fighter out of the deep water. Luke tries but fails. He cannot lift the mighty fighter from the bottom of the swamp. Fatigued, he falls to the ground.

Yoda, a rather smallish looking figure, proceeds to lift the X-Wing, not only out of the swamp's depths, but also deposits it on dry land. Luke is very awed by this demonstration of the Force's power. Yoda informs Luke that he had failed only because he, Luke, did not believe in his ability to do it.

The example of the mustard seed is a similiar kind of example. The mustard seed is a very small seed. Once it was believed to be the smallest seed known. But from this tiny and minute seed grew very largetrees. Trees that not only produced additional mustard seeds, but also trees that gave shelter and homes to the birds of the air. From the tiny seed grew very large results. This could happen because the seed had the potential to grow.

The disciples of Jesus had the same potential to grow. Not to become trees but to become the powerful witness for Jesus Christ. But at the time of this miracle of healing there did not seem to be much growth in faith of the disciples. (It took a long time for the disciples to understand that they only needed to believe and use their faith as a source for their strength and power.)

This same power to grow, develop, and strengthen our faith is available to us. We must ask, "Where can I find this power and strength?" The answer is in Jesus Christ. He offers it to us through the Holy Spirit.

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## 6th Biennial ILDA Convention Los Angeles, California - July 9 - 12, 1981

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### Beautiful, Exciting



NEW LOS ANGELES MALL now greets the visitor in downtown Los Angeles. Located across City Hall, this park and its attached shopping and dining mall, is one of the newest additions to the downtown Los Angeles scene. Included in the Los Angeles City Mall is the Triforium. Located to the right in the picture the Triforium broadcasts music in a fascinating sound and light display.

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### Convention Site Hotel Los Angeles Hilton Hotel

In a city known for spectacular entertainment and restaurants, The Los Angeles Hilton is second to none. Stop by the Lobby Bar with its sunburst...its bright feeling say here is the spot to stop and chat with your friends in a friendly atmosphere...visit KIKU OF TOKYO. Traditional oriental decor and service make this one of America's most beautiful Japanese restaurants. There's no better Western hospitality than can be enjoyed at The BEEF BARRON. The best steaks in the West are the speciality of the house. Top off dinner with exotic coffees and musical entertainment in the lounge. For a change of pace, dine in the garden setting of The Veranda.

### WANTED! WANTED! ... TO SHARE A ROOM

At the last meeting of the I.L.D.A. Board of Directors last October in Detroit, Mich., one of the suggestions of how those who plan to attend the 1981 ILDA Convention could save money was to share a room. Each room at the L.A. Hilton has two large double beds and could accommodate 4 persons comfortably. We will print in this space each month a list of persons who have need for this room-sharing plan.

If you are interested please send to the editor your name and address and name of home church.

You must, then, contact anyone on the list yourself and make your own arrangements at the L.A. Hilton.

1. Mr. Archie D. Marshall and son, Vincent, age 14.  
3743 Palm Street  
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Home church: Holy Cross L.C./Deaf, St. Louis, Mo.
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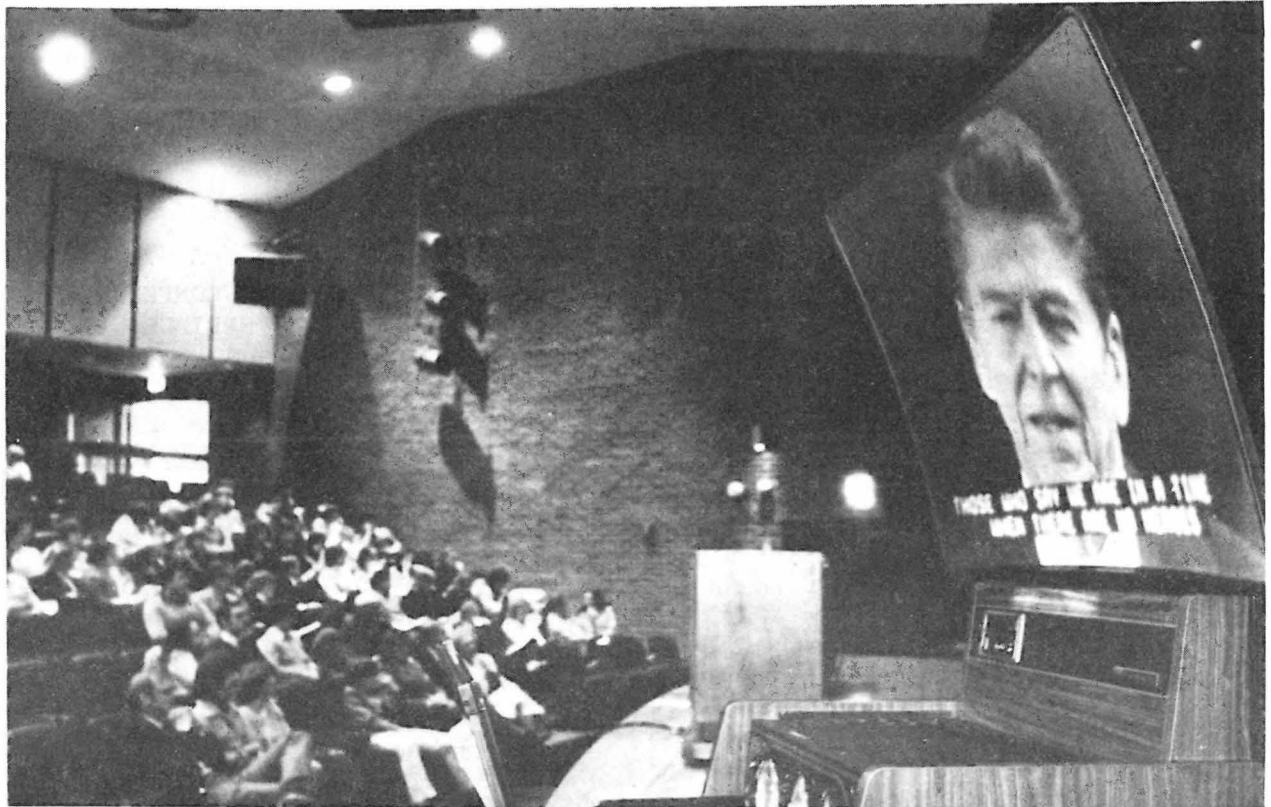
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## INAUGURAL ADDRESS CLOSED CAPTIONED

Hearing-impaired students at Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C. watched the first live closed-captioned news event, Ronald Reagan's inaugural address. The closed-captioned inaugural activities, televised on ABC and PBS, represent an important technological breakthrough for the National Captioning Institute (NCI) toward real-time captioning.



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**NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE!**

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included Mrs. Hulda Maier, widow of Lutheran Hour founder and first speaker Dr. Walter A. Maier and former members of the Cleveland Bach Chorus who had sung on the first Lutheran Hour broadcast over radio station WHK, Cleveland, on Oct. 2, 1930.

Other participants in the anniversary service were Associate Lutheran Hour Speaker, Rev. Wallace Schulz; former Lutheran Hour Speaker Dr. Armin C. Oldsen; former Spanish Lutheran Hour Speaker Dr. Andrew Melendez; Manager of Lutheran Hour International Operations Dr. William Kniffel; Dr. Paul L. Maier and Dr. Walter A. Maier, Jr., sons of Dr. Walter A. Maier; and Rev. Clarence Schuknecht, pastor emeritus of Zion. Special music was provided by the choir and brass choir of Concordia College Ann Arbor, Mich., under the direction of Dr. Paul F. Foelber.

Following the service, the anniversary celebration continued with a reception and banquet at the Cleveland Engineering Society. The main feature was the world premiere of a new documentary film on The Lutheran Hour. The 42-minute, film entitled "The Lutheran Hour, The Dream That Wouldn't Die," was produced through a fraternal benevolence grant by AAL.

A third phase of The Lutheran Hour anniversary celebration began Monday morning, Oct. 13, at 8 a.m. at Zion, E. 30th St., where Lutheran Hour 50th Anniversary Chairman Blake Wolf started his Cleveland to Detroit Jogalong to call attention to the anniversary and raise funds for The Lutheran Hour through sponsor pledges.

On the first day, Wolf covered approximately 20 miles from Zion Church in Cleveland to Avon Lake. He made intermediate stops at The Lutheran Center, 4100 Franklin Blvd., and in Rocky River.

Here, Wolf was sent on his way by cheerleaders from Lutheran High West and joined for about six miles by 11 members of the high school cross country team.

## EDUCATION TASK FORCE CONTINUES RESEARCH

-from PSAD newsletter

At a December, 1980 meeting, the Department of Education's Task Force on Education of the Deaf decided to meet for six more months.

The Task Force (a group of about twenty persons representing public and private schools, parents, and deaf consumers) has been meeting almost monthly since the fall of 1979, to try to solve problems stemming primarily from Public Law 94-142. This is the Federal Education of Handicapped Children Act of 1975 which called for a "free, appropriate education" for handicapped children and placement among non-handicapped children to the maximum extent commensurate with the handicapped children's needs. Representatives of PSAD (Pennsylvania Society For The Advancement of the Deaf) insisted that a complex chart placement alternatives (showing student and program characteristics) developed and preliminarily released by the task force last September, do not answer the basic questions for which the task force was convened.

The main concerns, ranking in order of importance by the task force members are: (1) interpretation of "least restrictive environment" for deaf children; (2) weight of parental preference in placement decisions; (3) what are "needs" of deaf children, and who determines these needs? (4) reliable demog-

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**TO LAUGH or TO SEE OURSELVES?**

A laborer was short-changed ten dollars in his pay envelope and complained to the foreman. "You were overpaid ten dollars last week and didn't object," the foreman responded. "I know," replied the laborer, "I didn't mind overlooking one mistake, but when it happened a second time, I thought I'd complain."

## LUTHERAN HOUR'S 50th YEAR

-from Cleveland Lutheran Messenger sent in by Pastor Olson

"Let's not get hung up on history," Dr. Oswald Hoffmann told an audience of more than 1,000 people who had gathered at Zion Lutheran Church in Cleveland, Ohio on Sunday, October 12, to observe the 50th anniversary of the first Lutheran Hour broadcast.

Dr. Hoffmann, speaker on The Lutheran Hour since 1955, continued: "Let's not talk about 'the good old days' as so many pious people do, because the best thing about them is that they're over! "So on this date we want to get a bead on what is happening in the future, and the future is that God is doing things that only He can do in this world of hours. God is at work, and we must be alive to Him!"

He acknowledged many in the audience who had played a part in Lutheran Hour history. These



**THE BIBLE WAS PUBLISHED IN 27 MORE LANGUAGES DURING LAST YEAR**

The complete Bible is now available in 275 languages, according to a report from the Bible Society of London which includes statistics from Bible translation agencies around the world.

The society said parts of the Bible appeared in 27 more languages in which at least one book of the Bible is available.

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**DETROIT, MI.** . . Members of the Warren Kiwanis Club were thanked by members of Our Savior L.C./Deaf for their gift of a Sears Color TV with captioning decoder. Besides receiving captioned TV programs, the congregation hopes to use it in connection with a video tape camera and recorder which they expect from the Synod later this year.

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**PORTLAND, OR.** . . The youth of Hope L.C./Deaf, under their Director of Christian Education (D.C.E.), Mark Schoepp joined a national youth organization called Lutheran Youth Fellowship (LYF). They are very excited about it because it means they are now part of a large group of young Christians all over the U.S. They will have the opportunity to attend many exciting gatherings, and they also plan to do many things in their own group. They have named themselves "Flying Fingers"!!!

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Mark also reports that he has received some information that he wants to pass on. Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service is still looking for people to help refugees settle in America. America is the Land of Opportunity but these refugees need sponsors before they can come. If anyone is interested in more information contact Mark Schoepp at 4936 N.E. Skidmore Portland, OR 97218.

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**WASHINGTON, D.C.**...Christ L.C./Deaf began a "Family Bible Night" on Jan. 20th, the Inauguration Day of the 40th President of the U.S.A. This "Family Bible Night" had three different classes -- one for young children; the other is confirmation class for older children; and the third one is for adults.

Nancy Grandel, D.C.E. at Gallaudet College, is the coordinator of this "F.B.N." activity program. Pastor Geo. Natonick leads the adult class; Vicar Brian Truog leads the confirmation class for the older children; Micki Natonick, other confirmed teenagers, and Gallaudet students work with small children. Since then attendance has been very good.

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**TOWSON, MD.** . . St. Mark L.C./Deaf has called Rev. David Bush to become their new pastor. At this time, Pastor Bush is still considering the call with much prayer. Pastor Bush vicared with St. Mark and Christ Lutheran Church, Washington, D.C. Currently, he is the pastor of Eternal Mercy L.C./Deaf in Memphis, Tenn.

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**MIDWEST DEAF LUTHERAN CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO JULY 3-5, FRIDAY TO SUNDAY.**

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**NEWS BULLETIN:**

We thank God for protecting Pastor Omahr Mork and those in another car when they collided. Pastor Mork was on his way to the preaching station in Findlay, Ohio.

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**A LETTER OF THANKS!**

The Sign Language Class at Seward, Nebraska, Concordia Teachers College prayed for help from a professional signer and, praise the Lord, has received it. Emma Mappes of Lincoln has been helping small groups of students at CTC learn new signs, but the students and teacher needed more frequent help than Emma could provide.

They now have it through the miracle of modern technology. Mrs. Mappes, on one of her trips to Seward, recorded an hour of videotape which the teachers, Becky Hannemann and Randy Renning, are now using regularly. The video lessons have been a great help to the class, and praises to God and thanks to Emma, Robert Oettel, Karen Dammeyer and the members of Bethlehem Deaf Lutheran Church for their kindness, help and support came from the CTC students and staff.

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**CENTRAL REGIONAL CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD APRIL 3-5, 1981 at the HARLEY HOTEL IN FORT WAYNE, IND. THE THEME OF THE CONFERENCE WILL BE "GOD'S OPEN DOOR."**

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**MADISON, WISCONSIN.** . . The Madison Public Library and the South Central Library System have as a goal bringing the deaf community into the mainstream of library service and establishing the local library as an attractive center for the deaf. TTY requests for information or reference help can be received at the Main Library in Madison. TTY callers should dial 608-266-5900 during normal library hours.

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**CORRECTION RELEASE**

The National Captioning Institute's 24-Hour Hotline number was recently misprinted in a January 26, 1981 release. The new toll-free number is: (800) 336-4703.

NCI's Hotline number keeps hearing-impaired TV viewers aware of last minute changes in closed-captioned television programming and informs them of developments in the Line 21 system.

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**INAUGURAL CAPTIONED**

Last month, January 20th, the Inaugural speech of President Reagan was shown in captions on TV by NCI. This

marked for the first time a "live" event on TV was captioned.

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**FLINT, MICHIGAN.** . . St. Paul D.L. Church joined with many congregations of the L.C./M.S. in an extraordinary appeal to all members. In the past year the congregation has observed two Remembrance Sundays. A third emphasis Sunday was observed January 18th with a special filmstrip. That marked the beginning of a campaign at SPLDC for the Forward in Remembrance appeal. Up to this time large gifts of \$25,000 and above have been sought; more than \$5 million has been given in such major amounts.

The last part of the appeal is seeking gifts and pledges from all members. The goal hoped for is \$40 million in Synod, over & above the regular gifts and pledges by members to their own congregation's work. Of the \$40 million, \$15 million will be used in world missions; \$15 million is set for North American missions; and \$10 million will be used training new church workers.

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**"SIGN ALONG WITH ME"**

The National Film Institute has received a grant from the U.S. Department of Education to produce a series of films to teach sign language to hearing people. The series is being developed with the National Association of the Deaf (NAD) and the Department of Sign Communication at Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C.

If you have any sign language teaching ideas, suggestions, or evaluation procedures for this project, please contact E. Lynn Jacobowitz for more details on writing segments of the script. The salary will be based on the piecework: \$10 per minute of script. Script varies from three seconds to ten minutes. If interested, please contact:

E. Lynn Jacobowitz

(301) 587-8496 TTY (home)

or leave a message with the Gallaudet College Department of Sign Communication (202) 651-5630 TTY/Voice. Leave your name, address, and/or telephone number.

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**DETROIT, MICHIGAN.** . . The Lutheran School for the Deaf, Detroit recently received an Atari 400 computer through Campbell Soup labels. This was the result of their summer Chunky auction. The computer is being programmed to be used by the children for self tutoring purposes. The school also hope they can learn to understand a little bit about computer programming. The school continues to collect Campbell labels. The deadline for receiving them here this year is March 1st. They would appreciate it if you would send Campbell labels to the school. The gifts that they received last year are all at use in the classrooms.

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ALSO...the school sends thanks to all the churches and individuals who so wondrously shared their gifts of food with this school on "Thanksgiving Day" (Pound Day). The school received a large variety of groceries. They are very needed this year with the larger student body. The thoughtfulness is really appreciated as is the help of hundreds and hundreds of students and their parents who made this possible.

## The Mustard Seed

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This offer comes to us in many different ways, but it demands on our wanting to grow in faith, and our wanting to use our faith.

There are many ways for us to grow in our faith. We can list a few here—going to church, participating in religious education night, praying by myself or with others, reading the Bible often, etc.

It is hoped that this story from The Mustard Seed newsletter can also be a way for you to "grow in faith." The Deaf Lutheran will publish any future stimulating articles, activities and topics that will help our readers to grow and develop that seed inside of themselves.

We can only provide the stimulus, but our readers must give the positive response. Without this response, all of our work, prayers and articles will not help. The seed is inside of us all, and we must give it the opportunity to grow and develop.

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### BE AN OPTIMIST!

"What's the use?" and "Why should I?" are the two most fatal phrases in the English language. They mark the dividing line between success and failure for hundreds of thousands of human beings.

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### WHEN YOU MISSED CHURCH

*When you missed church—the fellowship that's there,  
You missed the hand clasp and missed the prayer.  
You missed the Word of God as read,  
You missed the things the Pastor said.  
You missed the Worship-Wondrous Hour!  
You missed the Spirit's tender power.  
You missed a chance to do your share,  
To build His church, the house of prayer!*

*So the loss is yours indeed,  
God had no chance to meet your need.*

—Mowl

—from Delaware Valley Deaf Church newsletter  
Philadelphia, PA



"HE SAID HIS RECOVERY WAS A MIRACLE, SO HE SENT THE CHECK TO THE CHURCH INSTEAD OF YOU!"

## A SOLDIER'S PRAYER

—from Hope L.C./Deaf newsletter  
Portland, Oregon  
Pastor Shirrel Petzoldt

*An Unknown Soldier—Poet Talks to God.*

Look, God, I have never  
spoken to You,  
But now I want to say  
How Do You Do;  
You see God, they told me  
You didn't exist,  
And like a fool,  
I believed all this.  
Last night from a shell hole  
I saw Your sky,  
I figured right then,  
they told me a lie;  
Had I taken the time to see  
things You made,  
I'd have known they weren't  
calling a spade a spade.  
I wonder, God,  
if You'd shake my hand,  
Somehow I feel that  
You will understand;  
Funny, I had to come  
to this hellish place,  
Before I had time  
to see Your Face.  
Well, I guess there isn't  
much more to say.  
But I'm sure glad, God,  
I met You today;  
I guess the "Zero Hour"  
will soon be here,  
But I'm not afraid,  
since I know You're near.  
The Signal! — well, God,  
I'll have to go;  
I like You lots,  
this I want You to know;  
Look now,  
this will be a horrible fight;  
Who knows — I may come  
to Your House tonight.  
Though I wasn't friendly  
to You before,  
I wonder, God,  
if You'd wait at Your Door;  
Look, I'm crying —  
me shedding tears!  
I wish I had known You  
those many years.  
Well....I have to go now,  
God....Goodbye!  
Strange...since I met You —  
I'm not afraid to die!

*The verse above, author unknown, taken from the Chaplain's Digest, was found on the body of an American after a battle in Italy...He had to find God in a fox-hole.*

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### EDUCATION TASK FORCE CONTINUES RESEARCH

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raphics (counts and characteristics of hearing-impaired children by areas of the state); and (5) definition of "appropriate" education program. There are several other related concerns, such as definition of "mainstreaming" and whether and how after-school activities should be taken into account in educational programming and placement decisions.

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## JUSTICE DEPARTMENT MANDATES RIGHTS OF HEARING IMPAIRED

—from OUTREACH  
published by the division of public services

The Justice Department recently adopted regulations which will provide for more effective communication for hearing impaired people. These Section 504 regulations state that police, courts, and correctional facilities must provide sign language interpreters for hearing impaired arrestees, victims, and witnesses.

The regulations were developed, in part, from suggestions made by the National Center for Law and the Deaf (NCLD), a unit of the National Academy of Gallaudet College. NCLD drafted comments to the Justice Department concerning the regulations. The NCLD staff also testified at hearings held by the Justice Department.

The need for these regulations has become evident in recent years, especially because of cases in which deaf men were left in jail several days after their arrests without being provided interpreters. This failure to provide interpreters has meant that Deaf defenders were frequently unaware of their rights and were unable to communicate with lawyers.

The analysis of the regulations explain that:

**Law enforcement agencies should provide for the availability of qualified interpreters...to assist the agencies when dealing with hearing-impaired persons.**

The analysis also declares that when a hearing-impaired person is arrested, the Miranda warning (an explanation of the person's rights) must be written down when an interpreter is not available. The police must inform the hearing-impaired suspects that an interpreter will be provided at no charge. In addition, suspects do not have to answer police questions until an interpreter is present.

Under these regulations civil and criminal courts must provide qualified interpreters to people with hearing or speaking impairments. Deaf prisoners are also entitled to interpreters so they can better understand and participate in disciplinary hearings, counseling sessions, and vocational and educational problems.

NCLD feels that these regulations are especially important because they give deaf people the right to challenge any agency that does not provide the services outlined in the Section 504 regulations. To obtain further information, contact:  
NCLD at Gallaudet College  
Kendall Green, Washington, D.C.  
20002

# Children's Page

## Learning to follow Jesus



Boys and girls of Africa learn to read.

These boys and girls live in Africa. They go to a church school. Like you they are followers of Jesus. They know God loves them. They know that Jesus is their Savior.

Sometimes these followers of Jesus have no church school. Sometimes they do not have the books they need to learn how to read. So they cannot read about Jesus by themselves. And they cannot read about God's love to others.

These boys and girls want to learn to read about Jesus for themselves. They want to read God's Book to other boys and girls. They want to make others know about Jesus too.

We, as children of God, should learn many things about your friends. You should know where they live and what they do. You should know what they wear in their native lands and the kind of houses they live in. You should know about their fathers and mothers and what they do too. Knowing all these things helps you and your far-away friends stay friends. And when you know about them and how they live you will be better friends. Knowing about them will help you follow Jesus' words: "Help one another."

This is why it is very important for us and followers of Jesus everywhere to support our mission work in Africa and throughout all the world. Our mission funds will help send Missionaries and Bibles and other school books to those boys and girls.

Followers of Jesus live in many lands all around the world. They are your friends, yet you cannot talk with them or meet with them in person. Wouldn't it be nice if you could know and talk to all these friends? We will meet them and talk to them on the day that God gathers us all into His Kingdom on the second coming of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. In the meantime we must all work hard together, no matter where we are, to bring more and more lost friends to know about the love of God and His Son, Jesus.



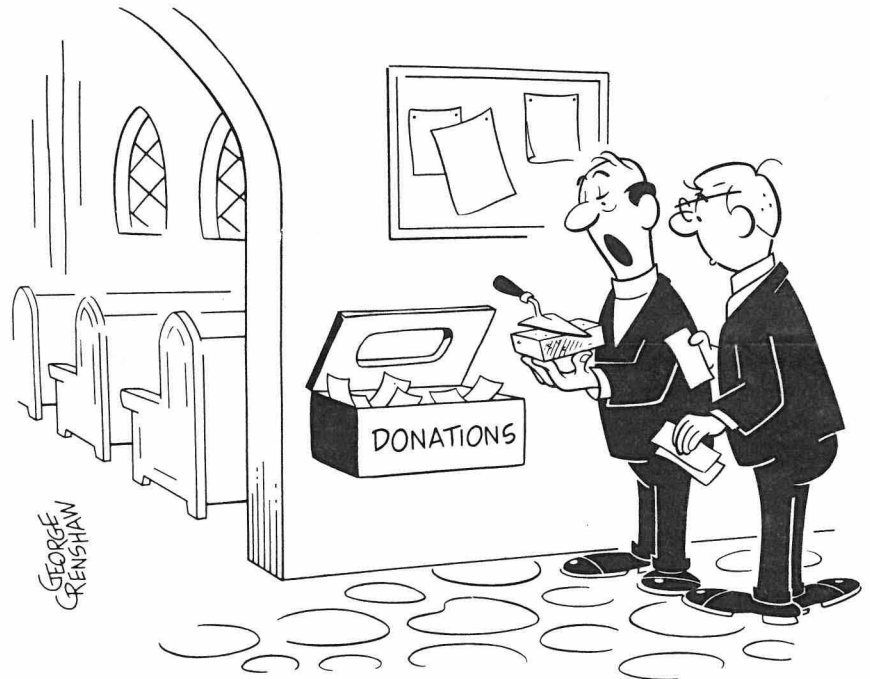
## Parable Picture

This picture on the left can remind us about being a follower of Jesus. The man wants to stay healthy. He likes to lift weights. In the picture we see that he is using weights made of cement and iron pipes. Every day his body muscles grow stronger and stronger.

The weights are heavy, but the man can smile now. He knows that soon it will not be so hard for him to lift the weights.

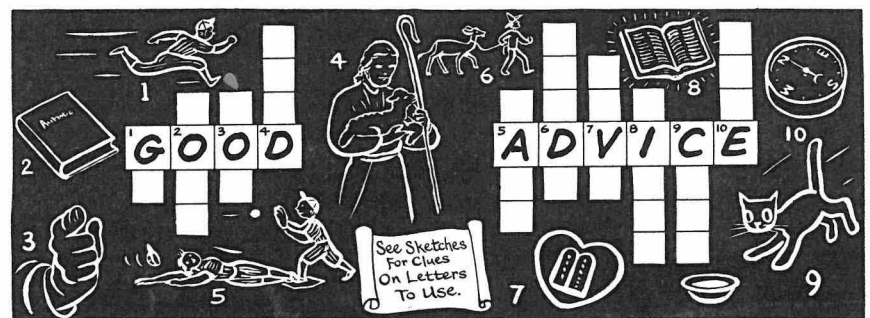
Jesus said, "Come to Me, all you who work and have heavy loads and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you...for...My load is light." Matthew 11:28,29, and 30.

Like the man and his weight-lifting, followers of Jesus know that their lives are a time of growing strong in God's grace. Knowing that Jesus cares for them, it becomes easier for His followers to carry their load of troubles. Their loads become light. Even when sad, followers of Jesus know the joy of peace with God.



"IT'S A CONTRIBUTION FOR OUR NEW CHURCH."

## Good Advice Puzzle



answers: 1-go; 2-book; 3-you; 4-lord; 5-safe; 6-leads; 7-love; 8-bible; 9-come; 10-true.