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## Prentice Marsh Ordained



AURORA, ILL.- On November 22, 1981 an ordination took place at Hope Lutheran Church, Aurora, of the Reverend Prentice Marsh.

Pastor Marsh will serve as missionary-at-large for the deaf in the area of Atlanta, Georgia.

Preaching for his ordination was his father, Vicar William Marsh, of New Orleans who hopes to be ordained into the Ministry next year.

Prentice Marsh was born in Detroit, Michigan in 1954 the only son of Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Marsh who were blessed with four daughters before Prentice.

At the age of 16, and with his parents' blessings young Prentice went to live in Selma, Alabama where he had many relatives. There he attended Martin Luther Academy. It was there that he began to think of becoming

a minister. In his second year at Martin Luther one of his teachers urged him to transfer to nearby Tuskegee College for speech therapy to correct a stuttering problem. And because of his stuttering Prentice was declared handicapped by the State of Alabama. He transferred to Alabama State University graduating with a B.A. in Physical  
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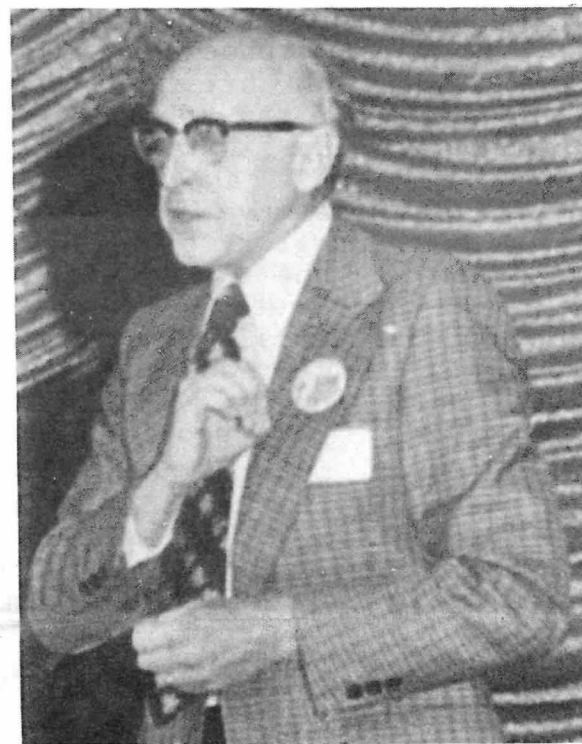
Yolanda and Prentice full of joy at his ordination.



## Rev. Martin G. Kosche Called Into Eternal Life

The Reverend Martin G. Kosche  
1917 - 1981

Pastor Kosche, speaking at a recent Central Regional Conference, is shown making the sign for the word "Evangelism", one of his favorite topics.



It has pleased Almighty God, in this season of His abundant grace, to call to Himself our brother, Martin George Kosche. Pastor Kosche died of a heart attack on Sunday morning, December 27, while preparing for worship service in Delavan, Wisconsin. Funeral services were held Wednesday, December 30 at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Delavan.

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The Reverend Martin George Kosche was born in Chicago, Illinois, August 24, 1917, to Edmund J. and Henrietta L. Kosche. He finished his education for the ministry at Concordia Seminary, Springfield, Illinois, where he graduated in 1946. He vicared at St. John's in Gary, Indiana from Sept. 1944 until June, 1945.

Rev. Kosche was called to Peace Congregation and Deaf Field, Indiana on August 4, 1946. On June 19, 1955, he became pastor of Silent Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Madison, Wisconsin and Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf and Deaf Field in Delavan, Wisconsin.

He married Ethel Lavonne Hibner on April 30, 1950 in Indianapolis, Indiana. They were blessed with 6 children, 2 girls and 4 boys.

Cards or messages can be sent to Ethel and the family at 116 Walnut St., Delavan, WI 53115.

Our prayers are that the Prince of Peace may give His comfort and peace to the family at this time of their sorrow.

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Jesus said, "I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead still shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. John 11:25-26

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**THE LAST SERMON OF REV. KOSCHE**

Outline of a sermon prepared by Rev. Martin Kosche for December 27, 1981 - the Sunday after Christmas.

He died of a heart attack that morning before the service.

TEXT: Luke 2:25-40

We again celebrate Christmas - not only we, but people all over the USA and in places all over the world. People have heard the news - "Jesus is born" - and they wished a Merry Christmas to one another. Yes, also in far places like Poland where there is much suffering, fear, and poverty, the people know it was Christmas and celebrated Christmas as best they could. We wonder how many of the people really know and understand the true meaning of Christmas. How many people can say as John the disciple said in his book - the verse we preached about on the day of Christmas Eve, "We beheld His glory, the glory of the only true Son of the Father, full of grace and truth." How many think of Christmas as the birth of the true glorious God who came into the world full of mercy for sinful people with the one great purpose to be the Savior of all people? We cannot look into peoples' hearts and see what their deep thinking about Christmas is. But this morning we can look into God's Word and learn about two people who lived at the first Christmas. Both saw the glory of Jesus and celebrated His birth in the right way in true faith in Him.

**THEME: Two Christmas worshippers**

I. Simeon and Anna - who were these two Christmas worshippers?

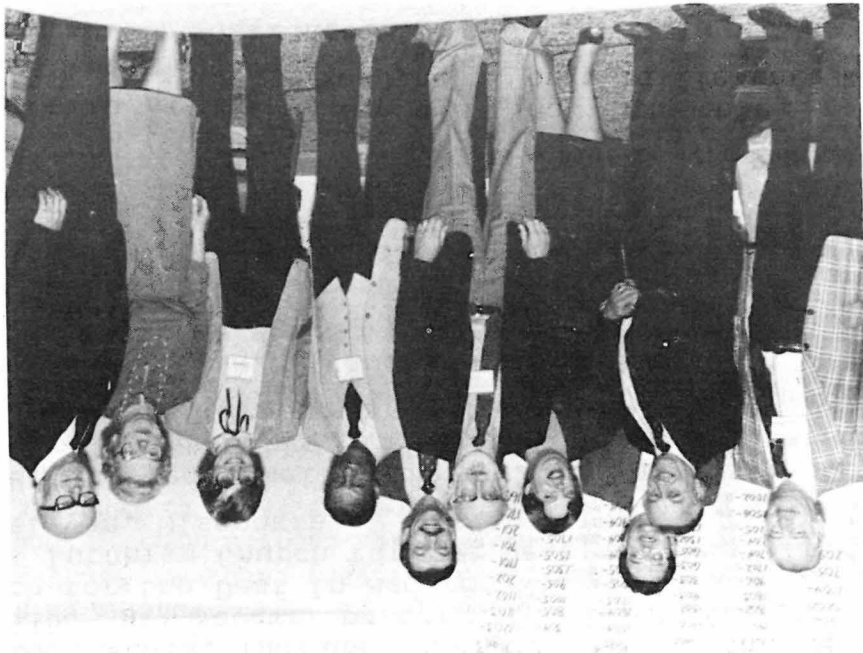
A. The man SIMEON was just and devout, a true believer in the true God. He believed His promises to send a Savior.

He loved God and tried to obey His commands to live in His way. He honored and worshipped God. He anxiously waited for the day when the Savior will come, and the Holy Ghost made known to him in some way that he will not die until he saw the Lord's Christ, the one who will save the world from sin.

B. The woman ANNA is called a prophetess, one who had a good understanding of God's Word and could teach it. She was very old; she lived with her husband 7 years and was a widow for 84 years. She did not leave the temple, but served God with fasting and prayers day and night. This does not mean that she never went out of the church building, but the church was the center of her life. She continued in attending to God's Word and in praying.

Both were in the temple when Jesus was 40 days old when His parents brought Jesus to present Him to the Lord and to bring the gifts for their first son.

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This is the latest picture taken showing Rev. Kosche at the recent Convocation On Deaf Ministry that was held in Madison, Wisconsin, Nov. 20-23, 1981. Rev. Kosche (center, white beard) served on the planning committee. (Left to right) Rev. Howard Schoenfeldt; Mr. Henry Bjorlie; Dr. Donald Rosenberg; Miss Ruth Fangmeier; Rev. Kosche; Rev. Daniel Pokorny; Mr. Joseph Kindred; Miss Janice Steinhach; Mrs. and Rev. Robert Corl.



This picture was taken in Los Angeles, California at the Sixth Biennial Convention of the International Lutheran Deaf Association. Rev. Kosche, right, enjoyed the convention with wife, Ethel, daughter and grand daughter.

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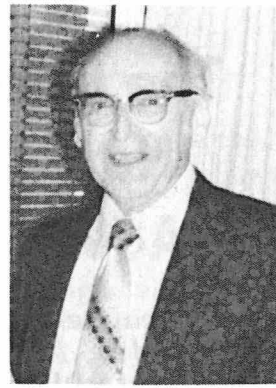
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**THE LAST SERMON OF REV. KORSCH**

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**II. They found Jesus.**

- A. That was a wonderful day for Simeon and Anna. On this day they found Jesus in the temple. Really we should say that God led them both to see and know Jesus. People themselves cannot seek and find and know Jesus. Always God is the one who leads people to know and believe in Jesus and to accept Him as their Savior.
- B. The lesson says that the Holy Spirit led Simeon to come to the temple that day and made known to him that this baby Jesus is the promised Savior. Also it was God who led Anna to come in that instant to see that Simeon held the baby and to hear Simeon say, "Here is the salvation God prepared before the face of all people, a light for the nations and the glory of His people." God made known to Anna through these words that the Child is the Savior, the one who shall do all that is needed to free all people from sin.
- C. Here we can speak about the blessings of coming to church and attending to God's Word. I know people say that it is not necessary to go to church. People say that you can be a true Christian and stay home and do the best you can. That is a temptation to older people who cannot walk so good to think, "I do not need to go to church. I am very old." Anna was very old. Simeon probably was too old too, but both were in God's house that day, and got excitement, joy, and strength for their faith. If they had said, "We are old and do not feel so good," and then stayed home -they would have lost these exciting blessings.
- D. Today you and I are here in God's house; we attend His Word. He here makes known to us the glory of the Christ born on Christmas. He is the Savior, the light of the world, the glory of His people. We can't hold Him in our arms, except through His Word. The Holy Spirit leads us to take Him in our hearts and hold Him in faith. Then we can say with Simeon, "Now I can go in peace. I know I have a Savior. I can die in peace. Because through Him, I have forgiveness for my sin. God is my Friend. Heaven is my home."

**III. They shared the good news.**

- A. Both Simeon and Anna not only worshipped but also thanked God and then shared the good news. Simeon took the child in his arms and sang the song of praise and thanks to God. We don't know how many people heard him, but it is clear that one did - Anna. Also Simeon prophesied about the future of this child when he said especially to Mary, "This child is set for the fall and rising of many people." When Jesus came into the world and when He did the world of saving all from sin, He was like a rock set in the way of all people. Many reject Him and don't want Him; they stumble and fall over Him. Others by God's grace and leading accept Him; they stand on the rock and rise to the heights of joy about their salvation.

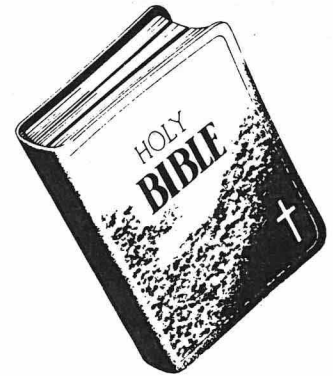
Anna also after hearing the words of Simeon thanked God and spoke of Him to all who looked for redemption. Especially to people who believed God's promises of sending a Savior she told the good news. The Savior to come; He is here - the child born to Mary and Joseph in Bethlehem on Christmas night.

- B. Dear friends, you and I again heard the wonderful story about the birth of Jesus. We heard the angels say to the shepherds, "To you is born a Savior, Christ the Lord." We heard Simeon say and sing, "Now I can depart in peace, for I have seen the salvation prepared before the face of all people." We know all that He did for us. What shall we now do? Surely we must thank God and also share the great good news.

The New Year is before us - a time when we set some goals in our lives and in the work of the church. No doubt about it - the first and chief good in our church must be to tell and share the Good News of Christmas: who the Child is, and the great saving work He came to do. Amen.

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**DAILY BIBLE READING GUIDE**



**Bible Reading**

For JANUARY, 1982

THE GOOD NEWS

- 1 ..... 1 John 1:1-4.....
- 2 ..... 1 John 1:5-7.....
- 3 Sunday... 1 John 2:9-12.....

HOPE REKINDLED

- 4 ..... 1 John 4:18-21....
- 5 ..... Matthew 2:16-17...
- 6 ..... II Thess. 2:13-17.
- 7 ..... Isaiah 42:1-4.....
- 8 ..... Mark 9:2-8.....
- 9 ..... Psalm 65:4-8.....
- 10 Sunday... Zachariah 8:1-5...

BEGINNING WITH BAPTISM

- 11 ..... 1 Peter 1:1-5.....
- 12 ..... Matthew 3:13-17...
- 13 ..... Matthew 18:1-6....
- 14 ..... Ephesians 2:1-7...
- 15 ..... John 1:35-39.....
- 16 ..... Proverbs 3:1-8....

DEDICATION TO ACTION

- 17 Sunday... Ephesians 4:1-6...
- 18 ..... Psalm 26:8-12.....
- 19 ..... Acts 10:34-41.....
- 20 ..... Exodus 34:27-31...
- 21 ..... John 3:14-18.....
- 22 ..... Ephesians 5:1-5...
- 23 ..... Proverbs 8:14-18..

CALLING ALL PEOPLE

- 24 Sunday... Phil. 1:8-11.....
- 25 ..... John 4:46-50.....
- 26 ..... Mark 1:14-20.....
- 27 ..... Phil. 1:27-30.....
- 28 ..... John 4:35-42.....
- 29 ..... Ezekiel 33:10-13..
- 30 ..... John 4:13-15.....
- 31 Sunday... Phil.3:10-14.....

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SUNSHINE is delicious,  
RAIN is refreshing,  
WIND braces up,  
SNOW is exhilarating;  
 There is no such thing as bad weather, only different kinds of weather!  
 -Ruskin



## A TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF 1982 REGIONAL CONFERENCES

This schedule of 1982 ILDA Regional Conferences was given to the editor at the last meeting of the ILDA Board of Directors in October 1981. At the next board meeting March 1982, a more complete schedule will be available.

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MIDWEST REGION ...  
Ronald D. Nester, Pres.

June 11-13  
Junction City, Kansas

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NORTHWEST REGION ...  
Victor B. Lyon, Pres.

June 11-13 or 18-20  
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

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PACIFIC REGION ...  
Diane M. Foster, Pres.

May 21-23  
Santa Rosa, California

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DIXIE REGION ...  
David Neumann, Pres.

August 20-22  
Knoxville, Tennessee

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EASTERN REGION ...  
August O. Beyer, Pres.

June 11-13  
Moodus, Connecticut

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GREAT LAKES REGION ...  
Frank Cassese, Jr., Pres.

June 18-20  
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Ronald Byington, Pres.

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Delavan, Wisconsin

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In the next issue, there will be more details as to size and cost of placing ads.

Thank you,  
The Editor

### A BROTHER LIKE THAT

-from Lutheran Deaf Mission newsletter

A college friend of mine named Paul got a new car from his brother as a Christmas present. On Christmas Eve Paul came out of his office and saw a dirty little boy walking around the new car, admiring it. "Is this your car, mister?" the boy asked.

Paul nodded, "My brother gave it to me for Christmas.

The boy looked with big eyes. "You mean your brother gave it to you, and it didn't cost you nothing? Boy, I wish..."

Paul knew what he was going to wish. The boy was going to wish he had a brother like that. But Paul was wrong. The boy surprised him a lot: He said, "I wish that I could BE a brother like that."

Paul asked the boy, "Would you like to ride in my car?"

"Oh, yes! I'd love that!"

After a short ride, the boy turned with a smile and said, "Mister, would you mind driving in front of my house?"

Paul thought he knew what the lad wanted. The boy wanted to show his friends that he could ride home in a big automobile. But Paul was wrong again.

The little boy only wanted to show his younger polio-stricken brother what he hoped to do for him too some day.

That day Paul learned what Jesus meant when He said: There is more happiness in giving..." (Acts 20-35)

"When the song of angels is stilled,  
When the star in the sky is gone,  
When the kings and princes are home,  
When the shepherds are back with their flock.

The work of Christmas begins:  
To find the lost,  
To heal the broken,  
To feed the hungry,  
To release the prisoner,  
To rebuild the nation,  
To bring peace among brothers,  
To make music in the heart."

-Howard Thurman

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## AWARDS OF RECOGNITION FOR SERVICE IN DEAF MINISTRY

(presented at the 1981 Ephphatha Conference)

Rev. Ronald Friedrich .....	5 yrs.
Rev. Shirrel Petzoldt .....	5 yrs.
Mr. Robert Oettel .....	10 yrs.
Rev. Donald W. Zuhn .....	15 yrs.
Rev. Robert Corl .....	20 yrs.
Rev. Daniel Pokorny .....	20 yrs.
Rev. Waldemar O. Neisch ....	25 yrs.
Rev. Robert Bauer .....	25 yrs.
Rev. Martin Kosche .....	35 yrs.
Rev. George Ring .....	35 yrs.

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### HOW ARE YOUR HANDS

-adapted-from THE LAMPLIGHTER

It is easy to fill the page with things we can do with our hands. Hands, used at the direction of our wonderful brains, stamp us as human rather than animal.

How are your hands? A blind person can tell you a great deal about yourself just by taking your hands in his (or hers). Some clues as to what you do, what kind of character you have, and your general health are all in your hands. Go to a doctor for a physical and one of the things he does is look at your hands.

Are your hands constructive or destructive? Are they giving hands or taking hands? Are they full or empty?

In the months to come the emphasis will be on our ILDA Mission Projects and Stewardship. We need to think about the Lord Jesus' desire that all receive the Gospel, and His call to us to be His servants in doing His will. Now, in truth, the condition of our hands is important in doing the task.

How can we have hands that will be able to do the things Jesus asks of us? Our hands need to be joined to a mind and will that knows God loves, forgives, and cares, because He has given His Son, Jesus Christ. God's powerful Good News about Jesus can make minds willing and eager to serve Him. Then hands are strong to serve and be filled with gifts of love and God's work.

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# Prentice Marsh Ordained

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Education. Although he was not encouraged to do so, he was determined to get his teachers' certificate, and did so.

Although he was now fully qualified to teach, the ministry was still very much on his mind. So he entered Concoardia College, Ft. Wayne, Ind., graduating in August 1966.

While at Concordia and at the urging of the college president, Prentice began to look into the Deaf Ministry. He attended a class on American Sign Language (ASL) that was taught by Rev. Robert Rowland. He was made aware of the wonderful work being done in Chicago, Illinois at Ephphatha Lutheran Church for the Deaf. He went there to meet and talk with Rev. Fred Allen, Pastor of Ephphatha and his deaf congregation. He was impressed.

In the summer of 1977 Prentice went off to Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C. for clergy training. However, early in 1978 he decided to drop out of school completely in order to rest, travel and think about his future.

March 1979 found him back in the Seminary and again back off to Gallaudet College. This time his interest in working with the deaf deepened. The deaf students at Gallaudet helped to make him feel very comfortable in many ways, especially, by working with him to improve his sign language skills.

He also met his future wife, Yolanda, at Gallaudet where she was one of the interpreters. She is from Chicago, Ill. and there they were married in June 1980. Now having a wife superbly skilled in ASL, Prentice, in no time, became a pro. Rev. Marsh vicared in Aurora and Chicago, Ill.

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The large and happy family of Rev. Prentice Marsh at his ordination. They came from all over the country. His father and mother are at the left of Yolanda, his wife. Vicar William Marsh (Prentice's dad in the white robe) will also enter the ministry this year.

# What's In A Name?

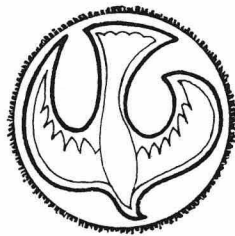
-from The Lutheran Newscaster newsletter  
Our Savior L.C./Deaf, Detroit, Michigan  
Rev. Clark R. Bailey, Pastor

Shakespeare (an old English author) asked this question-and answered it by saying, "A rose by any other name would still smell as sweet." But I am sure you are proud of your own name and family, and want to protect its honor. What is your name?, and what does it mean? Maybe you could look up your name in a dictionary to find out what it means. For example, SMITH means one who shapes metal by hammering on it; WRIGHT means one who does mechanical or constructive work (such as a wheel wright made wheels); and then we have BAKER, BUTCHER, etc.

On January 1st the Christian Church celebrates the name JESUS. This name was given to the infant son of Mary and her husband, Joseph of Nazareth, one week after he was born in Bethlehem (Luke 1:21). Mary and Joseph did not choose this name but God told them through the angel (Matthew 1:19-21) to give the babe this name, "because He will save His people from their sins." This is the Hebrew name JOSHUA (or Jeshua) and it means "Savior". So His name foretold His life and His work. By His perfect obedience of the Law of God; by His suffering and death on the cross; and by His resurrection from the dead He is the Savior of the world. Through faith in Him people have peace with God the Father and joy in their lives.

Since we celebrate the birth of Jesus on December 25th we remember the giving of His name one week later, on January 1st. Notice that the Church Year begins four weeks before Christmas with the first Sunday in Advent. So, in the Church our "New Year" celebration really happens about a month before the civil new year.

It is good for you,



JESUS SAID, "MY WORK IS TO DO WHAT THE ONE (GOD) WHO SENT ME WANTS ME TO DO. MY WORK IS TO FINISH THE WORK THAT HE GAVE ME TO DO.

"...THERE ARE MANY, MANY PEOPLE TO HARVEST (SAVE). BUT THERE ARE ONLY A FEW WORKERS TO HELP HARVEST THEM

GOD OWNS THE HARVEST (PEOPLE) PRAY TO GOD THAT HE WILL SEND MORE WORKERS TO HELP GATHER HIS HARVEST.

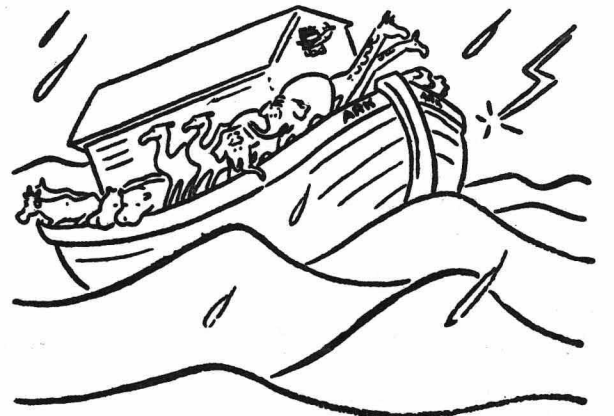
(John 4:34, Luke 10:2)

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to begin the "New Year 1982" with the name of JESUS. That means (1) that you are called "Christian" or "Christ's Person" because you believe in Jesus the Christ (the Promised Savior, Messiah) as your Savior from sin. This means (2) that everyday in the year you pray in the name of JESUS for His guiding and blessing, both for yourself and your family and for other people, too. At the close of the day you say a prayer of thanks and praise for those blessings; you ask for forgiveness for your sins (what you forgot to do right and what you did wrong); and you pray for His protection while you sleep. And in church you begin your worship "In the name of the Father and the Son (Jesus) and the Holy Spirit."

What's in the New Year for you? The richest blessings of God IN THE NAME OF JESUS!

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"Just the same I'd feel a lot safer if I knew those termites were locked up in a tin box."

# Forgiveness

-quoted from CLERGY TALK by the  
Montana Field Deaf newsletter

During one of the persecutions of the Armenians by the Turks, an Armenian girl and her brother were pursued by a blood-thirsty Turkish soldier. He trapped them at the end of a lane and killed the brother before the sister's eyes! The sister managed to escape by leaping over the wall and fleeing into the country. Later she became a nurse.

One day a wounded soldier was brought into her hospital; she recognized him at once as the soldier who had killed her brother and had tried to kill her. His condition was such that any neglect or carelessness on the part of the nurse could cost him his life!

But she gave him the most painstaking and constant care! One day when he was on the road to recovery, he recognized her as the girl whose brother he had slain. He asked her, "Why have you done this for me who killed your brother?" She answered,

"Because I have a religion which teaches me to forgive my enemies."

I remembered what happened many years ago when four cadets were playing their horns and singing carols on the streets of Chicago. Their playing and singing got the attention of a boy of 8 years as he wandered by.

The boy was very interested by what he saw and heard. Amused by his fixed attention, the cadets offered their friendship. Before they knew it, the boy worked his way into the act. He sang while they played. His starring role happened when they played "Silent Night."

The big eyes shining out of his small face, his eager actions and singing, stopped many passersby who then gave a coin or two. This made the boy sing all the more.

The most amusing part of all that brought many smiles was how the boy sang the second line of "Silent Night." From his childish lips came the words: "All is come, all is gone!"

The lad did not realize that picture of life before and after Christmas. What happens to the spirit of Christmas when December 25 begins to fade into the past? Where does the spirit of joy, generosity and love go?

Later in January I almost started to see on TV a Christmas scene of kettle workers. I thought: "This is the wrong play for this time of the year! The Christmas spirit is gone."

But was it?

After church the next morning a friend surprised us with a gift of a lovely, home-baked pumpkin pie for our Sunday dinner. Was the pie left over from Christmas? NO! It was not necessary for it to be a holiday for that lady to give out love.

And that's what Christmas is all about, right? It is the spirit of love that shows itself in giving and sharing.

Isn't that what God has done, is still doing, and will do? Isn't that why Jesus was born, still lives, and dwells in the hearts of those who know Him as their Savior?

Christmas passes NOT away when December 25th fades into the past and the New Year comes. And so I conclude with some verse received on a Christmas card long ago:

It's not the kind of place you live,  
And it's not the splurge and show,  
Or how you rate in world goods  
That sets your heart aglow.  
It's not the wreath upon your door,  
Or the candle's cheery light;  
Or what you spend for tinselled things  
That makes your Christmas bright.  
Nor is it just the gifts you get  
All wrapped and fancy tied.  
It's what you give, and what you share  
And Christ who lives inside!

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our Church now has the John of Beverley Chair of Deaf Ministry. Letters came soon afterwards addressed to Rev. & Mrs. Neisch and to St. Paul Deaf Lutheran Church saying: "Concordia Seminary extends its sincere thanks for your recent gift and for joining us in preparing men for the pastoral ministry....."

Allen Rich, on Dec. 27th, presented Rev. Neisch with a beautiful plaque with the "Lord's Prayer" in recognition of this anniversary!

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**JUST A REMINDER ABOUT AAL APPLETON, WISCONSIN** ... If you have any problems or questions about your Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) insurance, you can now call the home office on your TTY (or) TDD. There is a TTY now in the AAL Home Office and you will receive the answer or assistance you need. During business hours (8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.) some one will speak (type) to you personally and at other times there is an answering service which will take your name, phone number, and message. A call will come to you on the next working day with the help you need.

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**NOTICE \* NOTICE \* NOTICE**

**AVAILABLE FOR SHIPPING COSTS...**

**TWO (2) HEAVY BRASS OFFERING PLATES. Write to:**

**Pastor Frank Wagenknecht**  
**Rogate Lutheran Church/Deaf**  
**2447 East Bay Drive**  
**Clearwater, Florida 33516**

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**"All is Gone"**

-from The Newsletter of  
 Faith Lutheran Church of the Deaf  
 Spokane, Washington  
 Martin A. Hewitt, Pastor

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'Twas the week after Christmas  
 When all through the house  
 The spirit of Christmas was gone,  
 Like the proverbial mouse.  
 The carols had ceased,  
 The feasting was over,  
 The guests had gone home,  
 And life was a bore.  
 The house was all cleaned,  
 The wrappings put away,  
 The tree was dismantled,  
 'Twas a cold New Year's Day.

I was in a thinking mood when I wrote the above rhyme, wondering about how people act before and after Christmas.



**SPokane, WA.** ... Pastor Martin Hewitt was recently appointed by the Northwest District's President to serve as Circuit Counselor for 15 hearing congregations plus Faith congregation in Eastern Washington & Idaho. He will take the 4-year term of Pastor Krupp who resigned for health reasons.

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**A GOOD NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION**

May the Lord grant that I show...  
 ...a little more happiness spread through the day;  
 ...a little more cheer to light up the way;  
 ...a little more thought for the person at my side;  
 ...a little more credit for others who've tried;  
 ...a little more kindness in word and in deed;  
 ...a little more boosting that others may need;  
 ...a little more love for the folks that we know;  
 ...a little more effort that friendships may grow...  
 -adapted/Moore

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**ST. LOUIS AREA STUDENTS JUMP ROPE FOR HEART**

**ST. LOUIS, MO.** ... Jump-Rope-For-Heart promises to be an exciting event in schools this year. Elementary-to-college level students will participate in rope-jumping sessions that will feature competitive team efforts to jump longest while supported by pledged contributions to the St. Louis Heart Association.

The Jump Rope event has been gaining interest among school children around the country who have seen the rhythmic rope-jumping demonstrations of a group of youngsters from Colorado - the Skip Its. Their routines, featured several times on national television, are being duplicated in the St. Louis area by a team in Mt. Hope Elementary School, directed by John Glidden.

Jump-Rope-For-Heart, held in cooperation with the Missouri Association For Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, last year raised \$26,083 for St. Louis Heart Association.

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**FLINT, MICHIGAN** ... Pastor W.O. Neisch, in thanks for God's blessings on his 25 years of Ministry, and the people of his Mid-Michigan Field, at Thanks-giving sent \$126 to Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, MO where

# Roster of the DEAF LUTHERAN CHURCHES

REV. DONALD M. ZUHN, SECRETARY FOR NORTH AMERICAN MINISTRIES/BLIND AND DEAF  
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## TWO NEW PRODUCTS FOR HANDICAPPED OFFERED BY SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE

Two new products for the speech and hearing-impaired are now being offered as part of SNET's handicap service line.

**POCKET PHONE II** is a small, portable teletypewriter featuring 16-character display (like a large calculator). The unit includes a standard typewriter-style keyboard, a telephone handset that connects to the set's speaker and microphone, four AA batteries and a battery charger. A light indicates whether the number being called is ringing or busy.

The product is similar to Porta Printer Plus\* but is available for sale or lease at a much lower price.

**THE MASTER RING INDICATOR**, similar to the Signalman Relay, which has been available for some time, turns a light on and off to indicate that a call is coming in. Unlike the Signalman this product doesn't have to be installed by a service technician.

Both of these products are available for lease or sale. More information about these and other products for the handicapped can be obtained thru a PhoneCenter Store or Residence Service Center.

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IT'S EASIER TO HATE SOMETHING  
THAN IT IS TO UNDERSTAND IT.  
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ADVICE FROM AN OLD CARPENTER:  
MEASURE TWICE AND  
SAW ONCE.  
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reindeer produces from 110 to 150 pounds of meat. But one giant reindeer weighed 264 pounds. In those days the average reindeer sold from \$92 to \$140 as a meat animal. Today the price, due to inflation, is nearly three times as high. Also back then a sled reindeer broken to harness as a draft animal would sell in the upper range, from \$125 to \$140.

The hide is used for gloves, leggings, coats, jackets, tent coverings, cradles. Knife handles are made from the horns (also called antlers). The hoofs are turned into jewelry, and the glands and liver are used for medicinal purposes.

The life of the Laplander is nomadic. Like a shepherd he guides his herd of reindeer over wide snowy areas. These animals feed on lichens, also called "reindeer moss," which they find under the snow. A reindeer eats about 25 pounds of lichen a day.

The reindeer is extremely well fitted for the rugged life of the northern world. It never seems to feel the bitter cold, and it never seems to grow tired. A buck pulls heavy sleighs over the endless snow. It can haul as much as 300 pounds at 10 miles an hour for 100 miles if necessary.

In the reindeer, God has surely given to the people of the northern countries a true and beautiful friend and a willing helper which they love and prize more than any other animal.

## God's Calendar



January is a good month to talk about time. It's the beginning of another year. New calendars are being hung on our walls for another year.

Our calendar today has come about slowly over the years. It is based on the number of days it takes the earth to go around the sun - a year is 365 days.

The first calendars were not very good. Sometimes, after a few years, these calendars would be several months behind or ahead of the right time. We know that people who used these calendars sometimes celebrated Easter in the middle of winter.

Some of the American Indians in the southwestern U.S. and in Central America used the sun to help them tell the time correctly.

You know that the Indians also used the moon to tell time. This should help you guess what is meant by God's calendar. If you read Genesis 1:14, you'll know that God made the stars in the heavens to help people tell the right time and the right season. The stars in the heavens help us to know how wonderful God's creation really is. God even made the stars to help people. They help us to know that there is a God who loves and cares for us. It is this same God who showed His love in sending us Jesus, our Savior from sin.

### MY PRAYER

Lord, in the quiet of this starry night,  
With only the moon as my light,  
I come to Thee for wisdom, for power,  
For courage in the darkest hour.  
To see the things that others don't see,  
And to know others as Thou knowest me.  
Make me patient; make me kind,  
Truth and understanding, help me find -  
And dear Lord, when I awake with the sun,  
Give me faith to face the day, until it is done.



## How God Keeps His Children of the North

God has given us many animals. Some animals are good for pets. They make us happy. Other animals give us things we need to live.

God has given deer to help people in the Far North. Some deer are used for work. Their thick coats of fur keep them warm. In wintertime deer can pull sleds with heavy loads for 100 miles at a time across the snow.

Some deer are used for food. Most of the meat people eat is deer meat. From other parts of the deer people make medicines.

The people of the North make coats, shoes, and gloves of deerskin. The soft deerskin is also used for their baby cradles.

At Christmastime God's children in the North remember Jesus' birthday too. They make a cradle of deerskin for the Baby Jesus. They set Mary and Joseph nearby. Both are dressed in deerskin too. And the animals in the stable? They too are the deer the people of the North know so well.

The deer is one of the many animals God has put here on earth. The people of the North know that the deer is one of God's blessings to help them.

## The Reindeer

Most Lapps belong to either the Lutheran Church or to the Greek Orthodox faith, the latter reflecting the Russian influence on this country.

Lapps are the cattlemen of the north, running reindeer herds in the forests like a Western cattlemen might graze his cattle in a national forest. Each reindeer is branded with the brand of its owner then released to fend for itself.

"As soon as a man child is born, we make a new brand for him... That brand will belong to the child when he grows up."

Reindeers, once wild creatures, have been domesticated by people for a long time. The animal furnishes almost everything needed for daily living. The female, called a doe, furnishes rich milk. Reindeer flesh, known as venison, is served at most meals. Reindeer tongue is a particular delicacy.

About 15 years ago, the Lapp price for reindeer meat was 93 cents a pound deadweight. (I don't know what the price is today, however it is much higher). The average