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Rev. Mark Seeger,
ILDA Pastoral Advisor

“...and give to God what is God’s”

Tax time again! I am sure that some of you have already finished your taxes. You have sent in your tax returns and already have received your refunds, if you get a refund. Others of you haven't even started yet. They aren't due until April 15th, so what's the hurry? That's normally where I am.

None of us would try to work and earn money and refuse to pay our taxes. It is against the law and we could end up with large penalties to pay and maybe go to jail.

Most people complain that we have to pay too much money in taxes. Income tax, sales, tax, gasoline tax, property tax, telephone tax, etc. We can look around and see where some of the tax money is spent: roads, schools, jails, parks libraries metal detectors at the airport and many other things. We can also see where some of the

money is wasted. Those things make us mad, but we still have to pay our taxes.

Jesus said, *“Give to Caesar what is Caesar’s...”* (that means you pay your taxes to the government), *“...and to God what is God’s.”*

We don't have much choice about giving to Caesar (government). The sales tax is added to your bill when you buy things, it's added into the price of gasoline and your federal tax is deducted from your paychecks. In Texas we don't have a state income tax (yippee!) but most of you don't live in Texas, and you have to pay state income taxes, too.

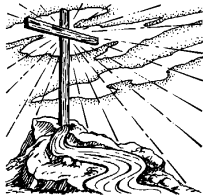
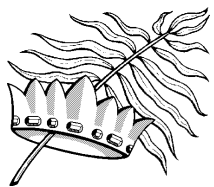
We have a lot of choice about giving to God. God does not deduct from our paychecks money to support HIS ministry. When we buy something, there is no **“God tax”** added to the bill. What we give to God is our choice. If we want to follow the Biblical tithe (10%), we can. If we want to give more, we can, if we want to give less, we can. If we want to give nothing, we can.

Over the last 100+ years, all Deaf churches have been heavily supported by hearing churches giving mission dollars to the Synod and districts. In many districts, this subsidy is being reduced or eliminated. We have seen many Deaf churches in the past few years lose their pastors because subsidies being eliminated.

When you give your offerings to God, you are not trying to repay Jesus for taking away your sins and giving you eternal life. That is impossible to do! When you give your offerings to God, you are supporting the work of the church, spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to other people. You are helping people learn about the forgiveness of sins and the promise of eternal life with God in Heaven.

It's tax time again — nothing we can do about that, but please, don't forget to *“...give to God what is God's!”*

Blessings to you and yours!
Pastor Mark Seeger,
ILDA Pastoral Advisor



Alleluia!
CHRIST IS RISEN

Next ILDA ...



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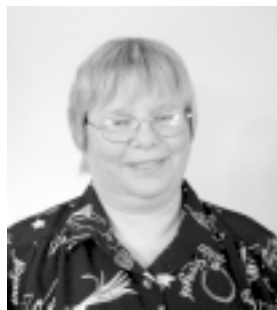
ENCOURAGE EACH OTHER IN FAITH
Colossians 2:6-7

Christ Lutheran Church of the Deaf
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Visit ILDA's website for more information on the next convention... www.ChristDeaf.org/ilda2007

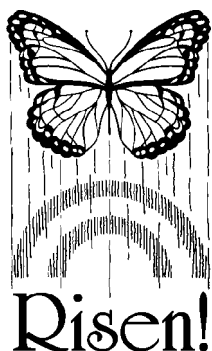
The President's Report...



*Pam Kane, ILDA
2005-2007 President*

To the ILDA members and Deaf Lutheran Readers. Greeting in name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Spring is almost here! Wow we were having very mild weather a very unusual season not too cold here (in Ohio) in the 40s some 30s but great weather.

I just saw several flower buds coming up from the ground wow it a sign of spring is almost here. But you know what it is also a time for us to look deep in our heart to think about Jesus. As we approach Ash Wednesday soon in March we need to get busy and reach out to the millions of lost deaf people through out the world. We have lots of work to do. Let us try to reach out. How can you reach out? There couple of ideas. One that you can give deaf people business cards with the name of your church, address and TDD number and pass those out whenever you meet deaf people perhaps at shopping or restaurant, or at club wherever you see deaf people and chat with them tell them about your church and leave them a card where one day they may pull up that card and go to your church. That is a sure way of at least reaching out to someone. When you reach out to them you have plant a very small seed into the person's heart from there the Holy Spirit will do the rest of the work for you that all you need to do. Why not give this a try? It works for us.



Soon spring is here and it also means some of the Regional Conferences are going to start in May through out the summer and fall. Remember we still have a long way to go to reach \$27,000.00 for the Mission Project Goal. I believe we have reached somewhere a bit over \$9,000.00. So we need to make at least 18 thousand dollars by June 1st, 2007.

I don't know if you all know this but the 2007 Convention has a new Web page wow it is a power point presentation of the 2007 Baltimore Convention. Do go take a look at it. I am very impressed with their advertising. Follow thru www.ChristDeaf.org/ilda2007 and look for it.

May you and your family have a very bless Easter. Jesus is risen indeed! May the peace of our Lord Jesus be with you all.

*Pam Kane,
ILDA 2005-2007 President
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Business Manager...

We would appreciate help with support to our travel fund. This fund shall help us travel to future Regional Conferences that we dream to attend and to report on.

Please send any donations to:
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Regional Conferences Reminders...



During your 2006 Regional ILDA conferences, please gather nomination names for our next ILDA Presesident-elect, Treasurer, Secretary, and Pastoral Advisor. Elmer Francisco, ILDA past president, is 2007 ILDA Nomination Chairperson. He can be reached at: SweetyMummie@aol.com or mail to: Elmer Francisco, 10004 E. Mission Ave., Spokane, WA 99206-3938.

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During your 2006 Regional ILDA conferences, please send to The Deaf Lutheran Editor your new officers photo and their names and your new president's address, phone/fax/vp, and email.

Coming in Summer 2006 Issue:

- More photos of ILDA and Ghana Missions

Coming in Fall 2006 Issue:

- ILDA 2007 Convention Registration
- ILDA 2007 Convention Hotel Info



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A CELEBRATION OF LIFE



ARCHIE D. MARSHALL
1925-2005

Archie D. Marshall...

Archie D. Marshall, the youngest of three children was born to Ananias and Birdie Marshall in St. Louis, Missouri on June 7, 1925. This family of three siblings (Cornelius, Ora, and Archie) was enriched with three, much older, siblings from previous marriages. A set of twins from Ananias, Sr. (Ananias Jr. and Annie Mae) and from Birdie a daughter (Marie).

At the age of 6, Archie became seriously ill with spinal meningitis. For several weeks he lingered between life and death. With the help of prayers and God's mercy, he was healed, but left with the impairment of deafness. Fortunately, he did not lose the ability to speak and retained a good knowledge of the English language. With excellent instruction he became efficient in lip-reading and graduated from the Charles Henry Turner Elementary School with honors.

Archie was the second deaf student to attend Vashon High School. He was on his own to read the lips of instructors and work independently on homework assignments. Archie was inducted into the National Honor Society and graduated third in his class of over 100 students.

Following the path of his sister Ora, Archie enrolled in Stowe Teachers College, but soon realized he would not be able to teach due to his deafness. Determined not to give into existing barriers, he enrolled in the Art Institute of Chicago in Chicago, Illinois where he graduated as a commercial artist on June 11, 1948. He went on to work as a commercial artist with the Universal Match Corporation in Ferguson, Missouri until his retirement in 1986.

On July 29, 1951, Archie and Gloria Gibson (from Chicago) were married and from that union six children (five boys and one girl) were born. The family were active members of the Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf.

Archie enjoyed photography, bowling, carpentry, pool, golf, painting, reading, swimming, poetry, and reciting Shakespeare. Most of all, he enjoyed the company of his family and friends.

Among his many accomplishments, Archie served two four-year terms on the Board of Directors for the Missouri School for the Deaf in Fulton, MO; received recognition by Vice President Hubert Humphrey for breaking color barriers in the field of commercial art; recipient of the John Beverley Medal (1979); tutored numerous students in the deaf communications studies program at St. Louis Community College at Florissant Valley.

Archie was first baptized in June 1937 at Southern Mission Baptist Church. He later transferred and was confirmed on February 4, 1951 at St. Philip's Lutheran Church. In 1956, he was instrumental in helping to form an integrated congregation — what is now known as Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf. Holy Cross was the first racially integrated church of any denomination in the state of Missouri.

On Saturday, November 19, 2005, after a year of declining health, he departed this life to eternal life. He leaves to cherish his memory six children and their spouses: Archie W. (Myra), Michael (Rebecca), Kerwin (Valerie), Gloriana Pack (Richard), Peter (Kathryn), Vincent (Pam); one sister: Ora Pierce (Gene); eleven grandchildren; five nieces; three nephews, a host of relatives in Washington D.C. and many loyal friends.

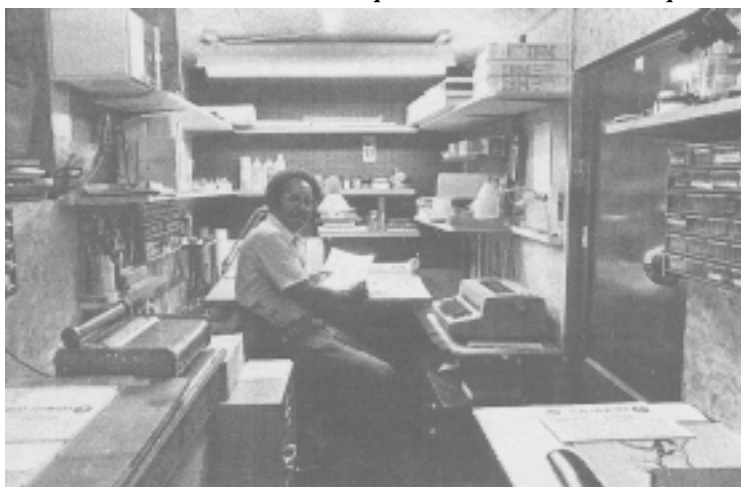
At Archie D. Marshall's request, his remains will be cremated and his ashes will rest among one of God's most beautiful creations, the Hawaiian Islands.



Photos from The Lutheran Witness, March 20, 1977

Left, Archie Marshall enjoys his work as a designer at Universal Match Corporation.

Below, Marshall's basement work area, which he designed and built, was later expanded to include a room upstairs.



Above: At the 1975 ILDA conference in Washington, DC, l to r: President Elmer Francisco, Archie Marshall, President-elect Joe Kindred, and Treasurer Russel Healey pose around the new ILDA symbol, which Marshall designed.

News from around the Regions...



News about our People



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Turn your clock ahead one hour @ 2 am April 2nd, 2006.



Reminder to send to the D/L editor your church's newsletters!

Northwest Region...

Christ of Cross, Edmonton... Oil (gas) well has been going on at **Pax Natrua Ranch**. Royalty shall help the Ranch. The Ranch has received past ILDA Mission Project funds.

Faith, Spokane... ILDA's past president, **Larry Gorton**, has injured his Achilles Tendon in a deaf drop-in for fun basketball. Six months of therapy follows. ILDA's 2007 Nomination Chairperson, **Elmer Francisco**, has undergone successful left Hernia surgery (his 2nd in lifetime). Also, Elmer became great-grandfather on Dec 2nd, 2005.

Western Washington... Our Lord, Jesus, has called home **Ruth Thomas** on December 26th at the young age of 93. Also joining Jesus in Heaven are **Dawn White** and **Shirley DeVoe**.

Midwest Region...

Midwest Region ILDA... **Ruth Ann Nester** from Hiawatha, KS, suddenly went home to our Lord Savior on May 9, 2005. She was actively involved with Midwest ILDA as secretary for several terms.

Calvary, Des Moines... new officers for 2006 are: Roger Taylor, President; Adam Hirsch, Vice President; Craig Hanson, Treasurer; and Sherry Hirsch, Secretary.

Words of God, Cedar Rapids... **Bill Wells** and **Richard Day** has joined Jesus in Heaven. New 2006 officers for Cedar Rapids are: Barb Zimmerman, President; Matt Frimml, Vice President; Doris Ciha, Secretary; and Shirley Hampton, Treasurer. New 2006 officers for Quad Cities are: Curtis Ketelsen, President, Cynthia Byer, Secretary; and Shirley Hampton, Treasurer.

Central Region...

Central Region ILDA... pray for **William Adkins** that he has cancer. He resigned from CR-ILDA as treasurer so **Jeraldine Chapman** has taken his place. Secretary Dee Mills' husband, **David Mills**, needs your prayers.

South Wisconsin... our Lord has called home **Iva Eklof**. **Denise Pulfer** has set up a Caribbean Christian Center for the **Deaf Mission Team** trip's to Jamaica November 2006 to help, partly destroyed by hurricane Ivan, the Christian School for the Deaf. All donations are appreciated. Surprised birthdays are held for **Joan Schenck** (80) and **Eva Schrank** (90).

Peace, Indianapolis... it was reported that **Janice** and **Norman Wilson** has left their cruise tickets at home when they left for ILDA Canada. Thank God that they were able to get duplicate tickets at ship dock! **Alan** and **Diana Rork** had luggage problems due to a French airplane crash in Toronto and storms.

Dixie Region...

Holy Three-In-One, Houston... new 2006 officers are: Glenn Friedrich, President; Ron Taylor, Vice President, Jennifer Bonura, Secretary; and Martha Malone, Treasurer. New fellowship, Women to Women, was started. They meet biweekly Saturdays.

Great Lakes Region...

Detroit... **Rev. Clark Bailey**, long time pastor in Deaf Ministry, has joined Jesus in Heaven in December 2005. He has retired to Tehatchapi, CA.

Christ, Cleveland... new 2006 officers are: Craig Majewski, President; Larry Ginter, Vice President; Sharon Stuckey, Secretary; and Terrence Cipra, Treasurer.

Alpha, Rochester... deaf men from Michigan, Ohio and NY traveled to Camp Pioneer to hear Rev. John Graham's revival retreat last November.

Deacon John Rushton became grandfather!

Good Shepherd, Toledo... Jesus has called home **Mary Hagedorn** last July 4th and **Edgar Huener** last December. 2006 officers are: Wendell Clark, President; Paul Hetrick, Vice President; Sandra Baker, Secretary; and Howard Snyder, Treasurer. **Pastor Ron Stabler** passed away last July, he was pastor at St. Paul's in Haskins, OH and was a member of the Lutheran Intersynodical Deaf Ministry Board.

BERNICE THERESA BOTTLINGER

Bernice has joined Jesus on September 30, 2005, 4 days after her husband, Rev. Wayne, has died. She was born in Oklahoma, attended State School of the Deaf in Sulphur, OK, and attended Gallaudet College in Washington, DC. *Note: D/L Editor didn't get this info at time of Rev. Bottlinger's death in Dec Issue.*



WILLIAM KAUTZKY

William Kautzky, 72, of Ankeny, died on October 17, 2005 at Lutheran Hospital. He was born August 28, 1933 in Des Moines, IA. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Saturday, October 22, 2005 at Hope Lutheran Church in Des Moines.

William worked for Firestone Tire & Rubber for 28 and a half years. He graduated from the Iowa School for Deaf in Council Bluffs, IA and Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C. He was an Elder at Calvary Lutheran Church for the Deaf. William was a member of the Iowa Assoc. of the Deaf and the National Assoc. of the Deaf- his dream was to help the Iowa Assoc. of the Deaf build a home office here in Iowa. He was a member of the Fraternal Society of the Deaf. He served two terms as a Commissioner for Deaf Services Commission of Iowa. William was an advocate for better services and accessibility for the Deaf community in Iowa. He was a frequent visitor to the Capitol. William loved kids and volunteered with students and families in the Des Moines Public Schools Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program. He was the co-founder of a non-profit Organization for Deaf and HH children called Deaf Children Now. He loved being outdoors and with his family and friends. He enjoyed gardening, camping, fishing, traveling and watching his grand-kids sporting events. He truly believed the Deaf could do anything. His many nieces and nephews were always excited for his visits, because he was always looking for some fun.

William is survived by his wife, Kathleen Mayrose Kautzky; daughter, Sally Kautzky Bowden; son-in-law, Ron Bowden; grandchildren, Jessica and Ryan Bowden; step mother, Marge Kautzky; and step sister, Kathy Jones. He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Ferne (Holmes) Kautzky and brother, James Kautzky.

MABEL SCHWING

Mabel was born in New York City and lived in Union, NJ before moving to Valley View Assisted Community for the Deaf near Philadelphia, PA in May 1998. Married twice, she was the mother of Robert Felts (Bartlesville, OK) and Ruth Haugh (West Yorkshire, England). A lifelong Lutheran, Mabel was previously a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran in Clifton, NJ. She was faithful in Word and Sacrament. She was the oldest member, at age of 104, at St. Matthew's.

Editor's note: I was not able to include a photo due to the fact that it was faxed thru the fax machine and is not scannable.

ILDA Regional Conferences...

Northwest Region...

2006... August 25-27, 2006 at Trinity Lutheran College, north of Issaquah, Washington (east of Seattle). Host: Western Washington LC of the Deaf. Rev. Wm Ludwig and Karen Sharp are chairpersons. Contact Northwest President Rolph Foster at rolphfoster@earthlink.net for more information. Theme: **"Know the Love of Christ"** Ephesians 3:19.

Pacific Region...

2006... Host:

Midwest Region ILDA

2006... July 28-30, 2006 at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca, hosted by Word of God Lutheran Church, Cedar Rapids, IA. Contact Midwest ILDA secretary Sheri at sherij70@comcast.net for more informations.



Central Region...

2006... May 18-21, 2006 at Holiday Inn in Crystal Lake, IL. Theme: **"Blessed Is The King Who Is Coming"** Luke 1:35. Contact Dee Mills at DMills1415@aol.com, 815-788-8043 TTY/FAX/VP for more information or flyer.

Dixie Region...

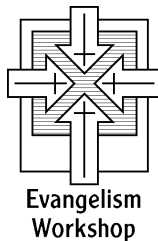
October 2006... Host: Dallas.

Great Lakes Region...

2006... Host: Rochester, NY

Eastern Region...

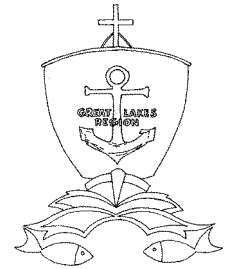
2006... June 23-25, 2006 at Charlotte University Holiday Inn in Charlotte, NC. Visit web site www.lcmsdeaf.org/ilda/Regions/erilda for more information. Theme: **"I Finished the Race"** 2 Timothy 4:7.



Great Lakes Regional Conference...

By Larry Ginter

There were about forty to fifty people at Good Shepherd Deaf Lutheran Church, Toledo, OH on October 14-16, 2005. We had bible study and led by Pastor Shirrel Petzoldt. It was good listing about Psalm 100:1-5 The Lord is good! His love is forever. His loyalty continues forever and ever!



On Saturday morning we had bible study and led by Pastor Edwin Bergstresser it is very good listing more God's Word... 1 John 1:1-3... fellowship with the Lord... Father, Son JESUS, AND Holy Spirit... John 1:16... Body, Soul, and Spirit... Romans 1:4, 6, AND 16... Rising from death, obey the Lord alot, good news-power to God, save people who believe and God's power at work... Praise the Lord.

On Saturday afternoon we had playing bible questions at church we had enjoyed it very much.

On Saturday night we went to restaurant for banquet and there were about sixty people.

On Sunday morning we had bible study and led by Pastor Gary Lawson... Psalm 16:11... teach us right way to love * bring happier (JOY) * hear God's word and show me right to live * fill with joy heart-pleased with holy spirit * PRAISE THE LORD! Ephesians 5:18-19-filled/holy spirit-happy with psalms, hymns, spiritual songs * make music in your heart. Praise the Lord strength (Power) more more good news about 1 Samuel 4:11, 1 Samuel 6: 17-19, 1 Samuel 7:1-2, 1 Chronicles 13:1-8 and more more songs with the Lord... we had listening more good news and never fail... our heart with the Lord... JESUS, my friend... we had great worship service and led by Pastor Shirrel... written by Larry D. Ginter

HOLY WEEK

"He knew what he wanted and was energetic and enthusiastic about getting a school started," commented Virginia.

Traveling all over the world in search of new information to help the Deaf, the Eberleins took pride in their work and enjoyed the gratitude they received in return. Virginia recalls a trip to South Africa, in which they shared their limited knowledge of sign language with Deaf students. "We showed the students the sign for 'I love you,' and they were astounded. They appreciated our efforts." In honor of all they accomplished on their trips, Virginia plans to visit a Deaf School in Puerto Rico in the future, and while she's there, hopes to take part in hobbies such as body surfing and swimming.

The dedicated Mr. Eberlein never missed the annual Fall Harvest Festival at Mill Neck or a board meeting. He and Virginia would attend the festival every year, visit the Manor House on the campus and speak to festival goers about the mission of the school. "I used to volunteer at the apple stand, slicing apples for everyone to taste. I enjoyed the whole outdoor experience," said Virginia. She and her husband attended the event despite the occasional inclement weather and enjoyed making contacts with the participants.

Virginia Eberlein remembers her husband as a kind and generous man whose devotion to the Deaf was apparent in his work. The employees of Mill Neck Manor agree with her. Carol Koenig, Executive Assistant at Mill Neck, fondly remembers Mr. Eberlein for his compassionate nature. "He was the type of person that you think about and miss, always." Chaplain for Deaf Ministries and Mill Neck Family of Organizations, Pastor Wrede, concurs. "Mr. Eberlein and Virginia have always been ready to offer encouragement and insight for my ministry here at Mill Neck. Their longstanding relationship with the Lutheran Church, as well as with Mill Neck, gave them a unique perspective that was invaluable to me."

Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf is part of the Mill Neck Family of Organizations, a notfor-profit group dedicated to the serving Deaf and hard of hearing individuals through educational, vocational and spiritual programs and services. For more information about any of its programs, please call (516) 922-4100 or visit <http://www.millneck.org>

I have returned the ILDA Regional Conferences column. Please send me all information on your region's next conference.



Richard Livingston (above right), Mill Neck's first student in 1951, returns 42 years later to visit with friends, founding member John Eberlein, Jr. (center) and his wife, Virginia (left).

JOHN G. EBERLEIN, JR. Virginia Eberlein Remembers Her Dedicated Husband

At Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf, one will often hear the name John G. Eberlein, Jr. in conversation. Those who had the pleasure of knowing him, willingly share amusing and complimentary antidotes about the former founder and board member of Mill Neck Manor. Mr.

Eberlein, a recipient of the Lutheran Servant Award for Service to an Agency Board, passed away in July 2005, and left a bevy of heartbroken fans in his wake. His biggest fan, however, is his wife of 65 years, Virginia, who affectionately remembers her husband's efforts to help the Deaf communities of the world.

Supporting the Deaf was a cause that John held close to his heart. A member of the Lutheran Church as a young man, he became interested in assisting the Deaf and with friends from his congregation, eagerly looked for a place that would be suitable for a Deaf School. He found it at Mill Neck Manor

ILDA's 2001-2003 President...

Mr. James Swalley, past president of St. John Lutheran Deaf Church of Fort Wayne and also past president of ILDA, has now joined the Church Triumphant. Jim passed away at home on Tuesday, December 13, 2005. He is survived by his wife, Betty. He and Betty had no children. Betty has children from a previous marriage. The funeral service was held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne. Pastor John Fair of Holy Cross officiate the service and Rev. Jim Drummond was the interpreter. James Swalley was buried in a private ceremony.



January 2006 Ghana Team...

Rev. John Reinke and girls: Karen Hale, Linda Zois, and Jean Nielsen has traveled to Ghana, Africa during the month of January 2006. They have arrived home safe early February.



India...

March 2-23 trip to India to help Rev. Christodus is planned and to teach Deaf leaders and Deaf workers in D.I. T. program there. Rev. John Reinke can be reached at: deaf_jesus@yahoo.com.



The Installation of Rev. Mark Anderson...

Missionary-At-Large to the Deaf, Iowa District East, Sunday, January 22, 2006

Rev. Mark Anderson was born deaf in Bismarck, ND and attended Lutheran School for the Deaf, Detroit, MI for 11 years. He graduated from a local high school in Sidney, MT, and went to Montana State University for a 5-year program in architecture. Eventually, he transferred to Gallaudet University and graduated with a BA degree in economics. Pastor Anderson married Pamela J. Hill exactly one week after graduation. She worked at Gallaudet University for 11 years as a resident advisor and then has worked as a free-lance certified interpreter for the deaf for the past 33 years. Pastor Anderson worked at the U.S. Department of Education in Washington, DC for 3-1/2 years as a grant-contract specialist before entering Concordia Seminary at St. Louis in 1982.

Pastor Anderson vicared at Alpha Lutheran Church of the Deaf in Rochester, New York under pastoral supervision by Rev. Mark Seeger. After graduation in 1986 with a M.Div. degree, he was ordained at Holy Cross Deaf Lutheran Church, St. Louis, just before being installed at St. Matthew's in Newark, NJ. He then accepted a call from Northern Illinois District in 1990 to serve three deaf parishes as a Pastor-at-large for 11 years. Pastor Anderson began working for the state of Illinois in April 2003 as a vocational rehabilitation counselor for the Deaf in Rock Island, IL, staying there 2-1/2 years before accepting the call from Iowa District East to be a missionary-at-large. His family includes: wife Pam; Seth, 24 (certified interpreter for the Deaf) and his wife, Carri; Michael, 17; Mikalah, 13; Zakary, 13; Isaac, 9; Lilly, 3.



Former Gallaudetians Serving in Deaf Ministry – Pastors Dennis Konkel, left, who serves Calvary Lutheran Church, Des Moines, IA, joins old friend Mark Anderson at his installation at Cedar Rapids January 22nd.

Pastor Mark was 1999-2003 ILDA Pastoral Advisor.



The Anderson Family. Absent from picture is son, Seth. The Anderson family will move to Iowa sometime after school is out and serve the Cedar Rapids and Waterloo/ Cedar Falls areas.

Pastors - Serving in deaf ministry in the photo are pastors Darrell Kois, Omaha (center) and Daryl Gehlbach, Minneapolis, far right, top row. Bottom row: Dennis Konkel, Des Moines, far left; Anderson, center and Tim Eckert, second from right, Davenport, Iowa. Others are unidentified local pastors serving in hearing parishes.



Deaf Students Serve Others in California...



This past summer, several Deaf students went to the San Francisco/Sacramento areas of California to do service projects to help other people. All together thirty-two people met for this project. Students and adult supervisors were from South Dakota, Missouri, Ohio and Texas. The students spent a week in July clearing several Habitat for Humanity lots, working in the gardens at Good Shepherd Home and widening and cleaning trails and historic sites at the Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park, among other projects.

The trip wasn't all work. We also had a tour of the California State Capital where we saw Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger sign the state's budget, and we were able to tour some of the famous sites of San Francisco Bay area, including Lombard Street, the "curviest" street in the world, the Golden Gate Bridge, China Town, Fisherman's Wharf, the Jelly

Belly factory and we rode the famous cable cars.

Service trips over the past years have included New York City, Southern California and Southern Wisconsin. This year we are planning to go to either Colorado or Minnesota for our service trip. The trip is open to all Deaf students between the ages of 14 and 20. For more information, contact Pastor Mark Seeger at MarkLCD@AOL.com.



ILDA Booklet...

Diane Francisco, ILDA History and Necrology, has recently published a beautiful 8-1/2 x 11" x 1/4" thick book on past ILDA people, officers and memories.

Contact Diane at: SweetyMummie@aol.com for information and \$5.00 costs. Or mail to: Diane Francisco, 10004 E. Mission Ave., Spokane, WA 99206-3938.



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The DEAF LUTHERAN

Advertising Rates...



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The rates are as: \$100 for full page; \$60 for half page, \$40 for quarter page; and \$25 for one-eighth page size advertisement per issue.

Advertising help provide some income to *The Deaf Lutheran* staff for travels to different region conferences. See page 11 for ads. Thank you.



Ghana...

July 2005

Rev. John Rinke along with son, Joseph Rinke and Pat Monroe has gone on mission to Ghana, Africa last summer.

Photos obtained from Pastor Rinke's web site.



Meeting the Chief... Man, 2nd from left, is the chief in the village of Anyinyanso, where the Deaf Lutheran School will be built.



Watching A Movie... Joseph's personal DVD player & movies were a real hit in Ghana.



In the Village.



Future School site... Site of the future Lutheran School for the Deaf in Ghana.



Joseph & Pastor Reinke At Kakum.



Enoch our Driver.



Pat in the kitchen... Pat in the kitchen of the Mission House in Kumasi.



Meeting the Architect... The men who will be designing the Deaf Lutheran School in Ghana.



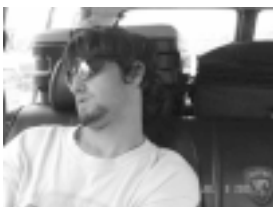
Pat Monroe... Relaxing on the Road.



Fun with the laptops... The leaders of the Deaf Lutheran Church in Ghana learn how to use the new laptops for studying & email.



Pat Teaching... Pat teaching her class in Kumasi.



Joseph Rinke... Relaxing (Sleeping).



*Learning to tell the stories...
The deaf Ghanians are learning to tell the stories
of Jesus to share them with others.*



Pastor Reinke learns how to make fufu.



Studying Together.



Farewell Feast



*Dinner is served!...
Fufu with groundnut
(peanut) soup.*



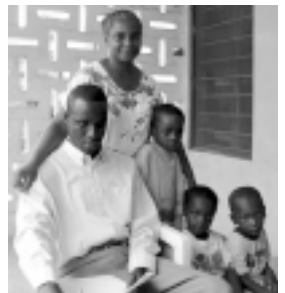
Road construction — Ghanaian Style.



Lizards.



*Pat at Hans Botel...
Pat looking for the crocodiles in the lagoon at the
cafe at Hans Botel near Cape Coast.*



*Akorful & Family...
Akorful is one of the deaf
evangelists in Ghana
who is training to
become a pastor.*

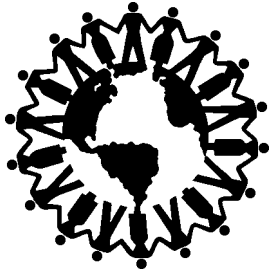


*At Kakum... Visiting Kakum
National Park — an old growth jungle.*

*Joseph on the rope bridge at
Kakum... Kakum has a series of
rope suspension bridges above the
canopy of the old grown jungle.*



*Roadside
stand.*



Visiting Adamorobe...

Adamorobe is a village outside of Accra. About 40% of the population of Adamorobe are deaf.



Joseph Teaching the Neighborhood Kids... Joseph would use the old Sunday School filmstrips to show the pictures & tell the Bible stories to about 50 - 60 neighborhood kids.



Worshipping with the deaf in Adamorobe.



At Jamasi School for the Deaf.



Pastor Reinke enjoys bargaining at the Cultural Center.



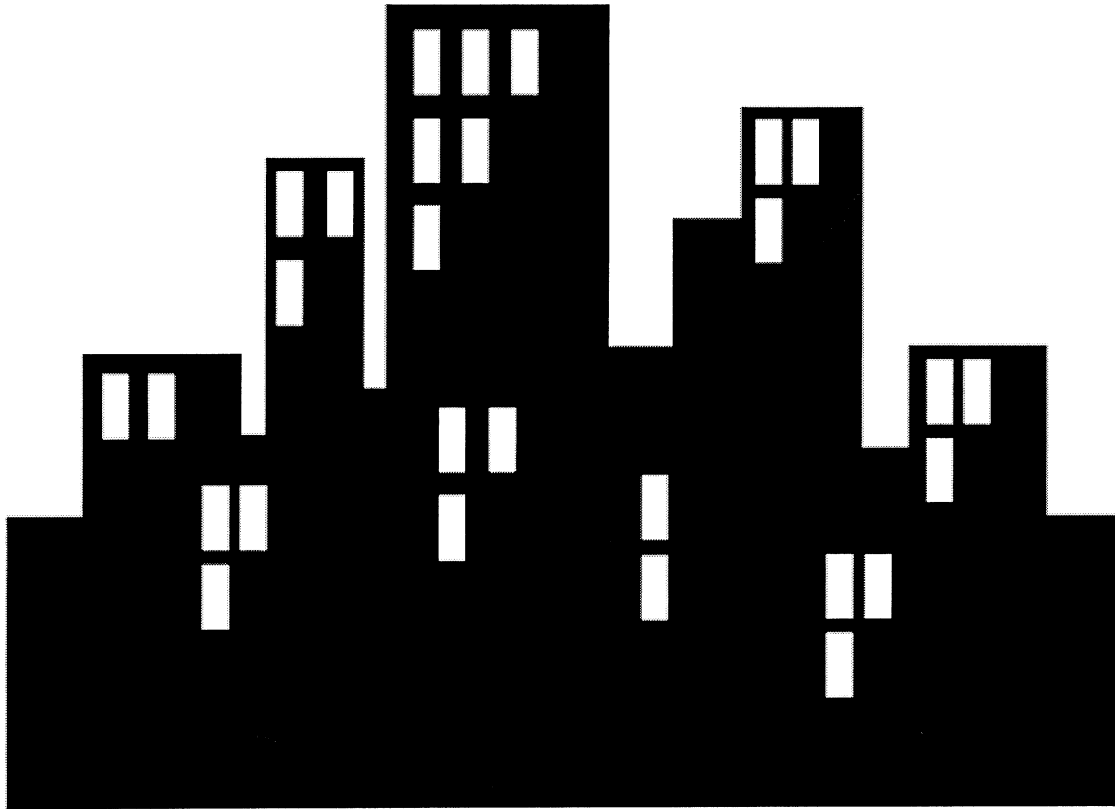
Laundry Day at Jamasi

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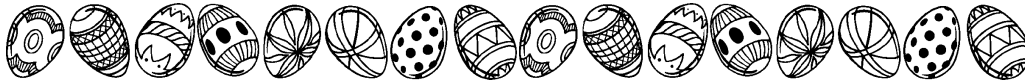
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