

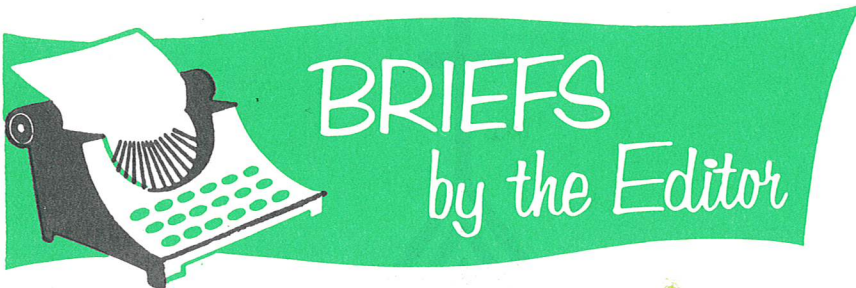
# church extension fund

# THE NORTHWESTERN Lutheran

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The CEF — Church Extension Fund — has been of assistance to the missions of our Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod for some 60 years. That means it has served the church through the agonies of two World Wars and many lesser wars. It survived the depression of the thirties and must now struggle with the inflation of the seventies. It was around when the numbers of missions begun by our Synod were few and far between and there were theological candidates standing idle in the market place. Today the picture is quite different, but the need is the same.

The CEF today needs special help if it is to undergird our missions at a time when people disappointed and shocked by the liberal, Scripture-denying policies of their church bodies in increasing numbers turn to our Synod for assistance in organizing congregations dedicated to the whole truth of Scripture and served by pastors who take their ordination vows seriously. Are we as a Bible-believing Lutheran Synod ready to serve them with the Gospel and help them erect houses of worship to which they can invite their neighbors

and friends to hear of Him through whom alone man can find life eternal? To a great extent this will depend on the response — the continuing response! — of the members of our congregations to the appeal being brought to them in this issue of *The Northwestern Lutheran*. Your money can help serve others with the Gospel, making it possible for mission congregations to borrow the funds needed to erect their houses of worship — Gospel beacons on the shore of a sea that is being swept by contrary winds.

Today's WELS members would not be the first to supply places of worship for God's people. There was Lydia, the first convert to the Christian faith in Europe. She opened her home to Paul, Silas, Timothy, and Luke so that they might continue the work of preaching the Gospel in Philippi. Something similar happened in Corinth, where it was a man by the name of Justus in whose home the congregation of believers met for more than two years. Such were the beginnings of two congregations which grew into strong and mighty churches, to whom the Apostle Paul

later sent letters which we cherish to this day. God's people have understood from the very first that providing places for the preaching of the Gospel is a great honor and privilege bestowed upon them by the Lord — a real opportunity to serve the Lord and their neighbor.

In our day the method of doing so may be somewhat different than it was in the days of the Apostles, but the aim and purpose is still the same. In fact, many of the congregations which you are being asked to help through the Church Extension Fund began just as did those in Philippi and Corinth — in the homes of those in whose hearts the Gospel had taken root. Be sure to read the article in this issue which suggests a way in which you can support this work in a manner perhaps new to you, but not new to many other Christians.

*The article on Bethany Ev. Lutheran School, Manitowoc, Wisconsin, is the last of the series introducing our readers to the nine new Christian day schools established in congregations of our Synod during calendar year 1971. Information has already been coming in that there will be a number of new Christian day schools opening in September of this year. God willing, we hope to present them to our readers early in 1973. Parents, however, dare never forget that a Christian day school is not a substitute for a Christian home. May the members of our congregations take both the schools and the homes to the Lord in prayer!*

The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us. I Kings 8:57

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# Editorials

## Making Friends Of the Mammon Of Unrighteousness

A get-well card available some years ago bore this lighthearted message for a sick friend: "No one feels worse about your illness than I do — except maybe you." In paraphrase, this would serve as a fitting message to the many home mission congregations of our Synod which are standing in the slow-moving line leading to a Church Extension Fund loan.

We all feel bad about the situation, but those who must live with it from day to day feel even worse. They are the ones who must worship amid the stale aroma hanging over from last night's bash in the rented hall. They are the ones whose hymns and liturgy are accompanied by the rag-time piano. They are the ones who are confronted with the impossible task of creating a worshipful atmosphere in a defunct hamburger stand. They are the modern Israelites who must carry the appurtenances of worship with them as they move from place to place in the spiritual wilderness of our large cities.

Their wanderings do not last for 40 years, but to them it must sometimes seem like it, as their CEF applications are deferred in meeting after meeting for lack of funds. These are the situations in which mission pastors become afflicted with serious self-doubts about their fitness for the ministry, and these are the circumstances under which members are tempted to look with longing eyes at heterodox churches with decent facilities.

Faithful Christians don't mind these inconveniences so much for themselves. They would worship in a cave if need be. What bothers them is the obstacles which this situation, if protracted, sets up before those with whom they would like to share the Good News.

Under the new CEF funding plan, outlined elsewhere in the pages of this issue, many of us will be in a position to do something about this situation. It works a little like the handful of meal with which the widow of Zarephath fed the Prophet Elijah. Your money is never depleted. You still have what you give — with interest.

"Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness," our Lord exhorted. This is one way of doing it.

Immanuel Frey

**Our On-Going Easter** "It is commonly reported that there is fornication among you, and such fornication as is not so much as named among the Gentiles, that one should have his father's wife."

It was no secret. When people heard of the Corinthian congregation, they thought of the open, adulterous perversion of one of its members. Was the congregation shocked, scandalized by such behavior in its midst? Far from it. They were "puffed up," proud to be so broadminded, so big as to overlook it.

What did Paul say? Did he reply: "Now, now, we mustn't judge," or "After all the church is for sinners," or "Obviously the fellow is suffering traumatic overtones from having a domineering mother during his adolescent years"?

Paul did not say that. He answered in words that are our Easter Epistle: "Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump? Purge out the old leaven . . . for Christ our passover is sacrificed for us."

Repentance is the No. 1 priority of resurrection living: dying with Christ to sin, and with Him rising to new life free from the fungus growth and sour-tasting leaven of sin; forgiveness OF and deliverance FROM sin.

"When thou art converted," was Jesus' own order of things, "strengthen thy brethren." First, sweep off your own doorstep. First, set your own spiritual house in order. First, purge the pernicious leaven from your own midst.

An Englishman said it this way: "The Church needs no new theology to meet our day, but to practice the one we already have. She needs not so much to organize new campaigns to attract outsiders, but begin herself to live the Christian life. If she did that, men and women would be crowding into her buildings asking, 'What is the secret of these people?'"

John Parcher

## Anguished Churches

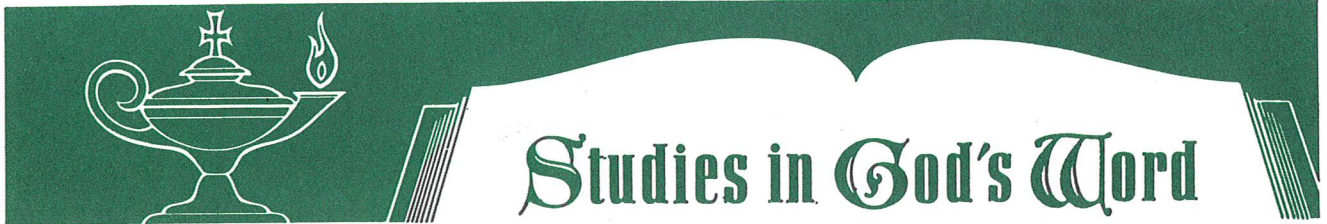
Like an aged lion set upon by wild dogs and hyenas, the Church of Rome has been severely rent by liberal reformers and radicals in its midst. In the last decade pious Catholics have, with a helpless anguish, seen leading Catholic periodicals like *Commonweal* and *National Catholic Reporter* disarmed or taken over by the enemy within. They have seen their catechisms edited to undermine many traditional Catholic beliefs by giving them the silent treatment. Their liturgy has not merely been translated; in many parishes it has been transformed into empty imitations. Worldly scholarship has entered its seminaries and seduced its young priests; worldliness is emptying its cloisters; political and social activism has sickened the spirit of many of its members.

With the same kind of treachery, pseudo-religious worldlings have betrayed the faith and morals of Christians in Protestant denominations. Conservative Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists, and Lutherans are also seeing their most precious spiritual possessions embezzled by the religious con men in strategic positions in their church bodies. Their colleges and seminaries, their publishing houses, their boards of education, and their social agencies are bilking them of their spiritual inheritance.

Hitherto our Synod has been spared such anguish. But with churches all about us being swept from their moorings by the tidal waves of error and falsehood, we must wonder — and fear. Is the calm that still reigns in our church only the calm before the storm? Are there warning puffs that forebode a rising wind? A growing regard for worldly scholarship and worldly methods? Impatience with the simple ways of the Gospel and humble faith?

What but the grace of God can save us from their fate? Only a faithful God can keep us anchored safe in the lee of the great rock of the abiding Word.

Carleton Toppe



# Studies in God's Word

## Prevision of Victory

I will declare Thy name unto My brethren; in the midst of the congregation will I praise Thee.

Ye that fear the Lord, praise Him! All ye the seed of Jacob, glorify Him, and fear Him all ye the seed of Israel! (Psalm 22:22,23.)

### Foresight Brings Foretaste

Mental myopia is a common human ailment. When the mind is focused on the tree, the forest becomes a blur. So when we are face down in ills, we seldom face up to the glory that lies beyond them. Too often we stare at the clouds and fail to perceive the sun shining above. Not so the Suffering Servant on the cross. He was able to see the glory through the gloom. Planted in His mind was the principle: "Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit" (John 12:24). Thus "for the joy that was set before Him (He) endured the cross, despising the shame" (Heb. 12:2).

Even in His God-forsakenness the rejected Man of Sorrows continued to cling to the Holy One as "MY God" and ceased not to turn in trust to the "LORD," who exercises His almighty power in the interest of His own. He who directed the thoughts of the penitent thief on the cross to Paradise was able to view His own crucifixion as a pledge of His own resurrection from the dead, as He had expressed it on another occasion: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto Me" (John 12:32).

### A New Note Sounded

It should not surprise us then that the agonizing prayer of the great Sufferer in Psalm 22 should turn into the triumphant praise of the great Victor. As the first words of anguish in this Psalm issued from the mouth

of Christ on the cross (Matt. 27:46), so also the first words of triumph in this Psalm are expressly attributed to Him (Heb. 2:12). Can there be any doubt that the Son of God was speaking through His servant David in Psalm 22?

What did Christ see that caused Him to turn from petition to praise? He saw Himself "in the midst of the congregation." The bulls, the lion, and the dogs have vanished from sight. A new kind of crowd gathers around Him. People have been called together at His summons. They hang on His every word. They are His brethren. They are the Congregation of the New Testament, "the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints."

### Gathered in the Name of the Lord

He speaks to the assembly, declaring God's name. What He recounts to the multitude ought not be difficult to determine. In all that He has done and said the glory of the Father has been in the balance. Anticipating the culmination of His earthly ministry, He had shown His concern: "Now is My soul troubled. And what shall I say, 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this cause came I unto this hour. Father, glorify Thy name!" (John 12:27,28.) To the glory of God the Father the living Christ declares in the midst of His disciples: "Peace be unto you!" In turn the assembly calls upon the name of the Lord and stands in the Winner's circle (Joel 2:32; Rom. 10:13).

He impresses upon the assembled throng that the Holy One of Israel is "My Father and your Father . . . My God and your God" (John 20:17). The elder Brother, "the firstborn among many brethren" (Rom. 8:29), calls the members of the congrega-

tion His brothers. And we nod assent:

*We see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He by the grace of God should taste death for every man. For it became Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the Captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For both He that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one, for which cause He is not ashamed to call them brethren, saying, "I will declare Thy name unto My brethren, in the midst of the Church will I sing praise unto Thee" (Heb. 2:9-12).*

### The Israel of God

Who are these brethren? The Son identifies them as all who "fear the Lord . . . the seed of Jacob . . . the seed of Israel." The "Israel of God" (Gal. 6:16) are ALL who share the faith of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. The Son was made a curse "that the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith" (Gal. 3:14). The Son died "not for that nation only, but that also He should gather together in one the children of God that were scattered abroad" (John 11:52).

Amazing! The crucified One had us in His sights on Calvary! Having passed through death to life, the Risen One now stands in our midst wherever "two or three are gathered in My name." Can we ignore His stirring appeal to praise the Lord, glorify Him, and fear Him? Where will we be when He declares the Lord's name in the midst of the congregation? Like next Sunday?

Paul E. Nitz

## BETHANY EV. LUTHERAN SCHOOL Manitowoc, Wisconsin

Pastor: The Rev. Robert Sawall

Faculty: Mr. Kenneth Kasten

Mrs. Dennis Bleick

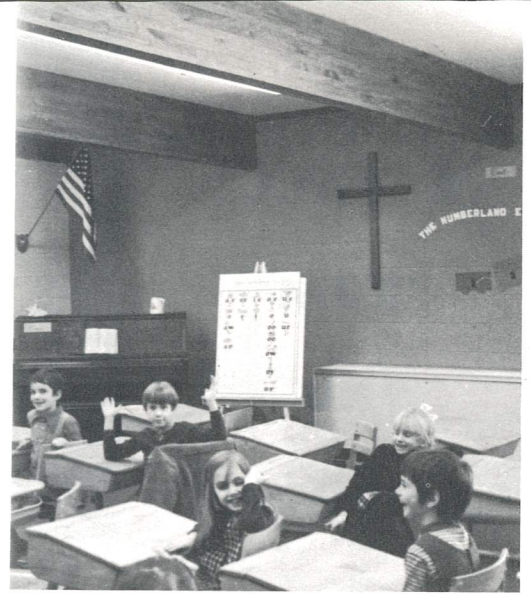
Pastor Robert L. Sawall of Bethany Ev. Lutheran Church, Manitowoc, Wisconsin, writes: "It is interesting to recall how the Lord made us at Bethany give serious thought to the establishment of our own Christian day school. The desire for our own school had always been present with our people ever since the congregation was formed back in 1944 as a daughter congregation of First German at Manitowoc. The beginning of a series of events which led to the actual establishment of our school was the investigation of folding doors for our parish hall. When the cost of such doors became known, the voters thought it better stewardship to invest such a large sum of money in additional rooms rather than folding doors.

"A planning committee was promptly formed to determine costs and to formulate plans which would lend themselves nicely for a Christian day school in the future. When the estimated cost for additional rooms and other features totaled over \$100,000, the question was raised: If we build for \$100,000 plus, is it not poor stewardship on our part to use the building for only one hour per week? The answer was obvious, and it was resolved to change the name of the addition from *proposed educational wing* to *proposed Christian day school*.

"To foster interest, Christian education was emphasized in sermons, bulletins, and letters. Brochures and tracts were freely distributed. When a survey determined that the interest in the congregation ran two to one in favor of establishing a Christian day school, the voters resolved to open the school in the fall of 1971, beginning with kindergarten through third grade. This was a real thrill, since many had hoped only to begin with a kindergarten in 1971. The enrollment in September totaled 26.



Mr. Kenneth Kasten, Mrs. Richard Ash, Mrs. Dennis Bleick



Having Fun

"The school and church are one complex. The school itself consists of four classrooms, two of which have a spacious workroom attached. The school also has an airy and attractive library, plus two offices. Equipment was purchased at a reasonable figure from schools that were closing in Manitowoc County.

"The staff during the first year consisted of Mr. Kenneth Kasten, Mrs. Richard Ash (through January), and Mrs. Dennis Bleick (replacing Mrs. Ash).

"Another encouragement was in store for us at the annual voters' meeting in December, 1971. The Board of Education approached the voters with the recommendation that the 4th, 5th, and 6th grades be added for the 1972-73 school year. Instead the voters resolved to offer all eight grades next fall. Preliminary enrollment figures for next fall stand at 66. Mr. John Juern has been called as principal, beginning in the fall of 1972.

"Bethany Ev. Lutheran School was dedicated on June 29, 1971. Prof. John C. Jeske of Mequon, Wisconsin, preached the dedication sermon on Proverbs 22:6, 'Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.'

"We of Bethany are happy that we trusted the Lord's promises and proceeded to establish our Christian day school. For us this is a venture of faith; but through it all the Lord has not wearied in giving us encouragement."



Comfortable, Spacious Library

# A CALL FROM THE CAMEROON



Attendance at Sunday services at Kumba, West Cameroon. Paul T. Chonason is pastor here. Ernst H. Wendland is the second from the left.

The appeal for fellowship with our Synod from Pastor Paul T. Chonason, president of the Ev. Lutheran Church of West Cameroon, was before our 1971 Convention. The Synod resolved, "that a man from our African field make a professional study-visit of the Cameroon appeal."

Professor Ernst H. Wendland of our Theological Seminary at Lusaka, Zambia, made the visit during the Christmas-New Year vacation, and this is a summary of his report.

Both Pastor Chonason, a native Cameroonian, two of his fellow pastors, and many of his people have their roots in our former Nigerian Mission. He received his theological training at the Bible college at Ikot Ikpwene in Eastern Nigeria. Two of his three colleagues were educated at Obot Idim Theological Seminary under our Dr. William Scheppe.

These people belonged to the group which met with a delegation of our Doctrinal Commission after the break-up of the Synodical Conference. They are well acquainted with our confessional position and have expressed full agreement with us in doctrine and practice. Our popular confessional summary *This We Believe* has been embodied in their constitution. This document also contains the statement: "The purpose of the Ev. Lutheran Church of West Cameroon is to promulgate *with its sister body*, the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod, the pure, historical, Biblical Christianity."

Where is the Cameroon? It lies just south of Nigeria. For many years, Lutherans from Nigeria came to settle there. Many of them were trained under Dr. William Scheppe's superintendency.

Returning to his native land, Pastor Paul T. Chonason and his fellow pastors gathered together groups of these Lutherans and organized an independent Lutheran church body. There is no other Lutheran church in West Cameroon. Soon the church spread also among the native people of West Cameroon and many new congregations were organized. At one time, during the Biafra crisis (1970-71) the church had over 6,000 souls. Today, largely because many Nigerians were ordered to return to their own country, the church numbers about 4,000.

Pastor Wendland writes: "The Lutherans in West Cameroon experienced many difficulties. But they became even more firmly grounded in the true teachings of the Bible and in the Lutheran Confessions. They have turned down overtures from liberal Lutheran bodies to fellowship with them. They need help, however, to carry on their work effectively.

"West Cameroon is English-speaking. All primary and secondary schools use English. Generally, English is in use even more than the African vernaculars.

"The materials which we have developed in our church in Zambia and Malawi can be very helpful to the work in West Cameroon. Also the instruction materials used at our Bible Institute and Seminary are just what is needed in West Cameroon for the training of evangelists and pastors.

"We sincerely hope and pray that our ties of fellowship with these Lutherans in West Cameroon can be made stronger, and that the Lord can use us to help them with their problems and needs."

## What Can We Do to Help?

Our Wisconsin Synod has been thrust into a leadership role for conservative, orthodox Lutheranism in our time. When the Lord faithfully preserved pure teaching and practice to us in a world of spiritual and moral decline and blessed us with the material means to share His Truth with our fellowmen, He also looked to us for faithful stewardship of His spiritual and material gifts. And our people have responded to this challenge as never before in our history.

Nevertheless, our Synod is committed to the policy of living within our income and we may not borrow money to finance our work program.

Added to this is the fact that our Synod convention has gone on record to give "top priority" to the opening of mission work in South America. This program has been under consideration for 12 years and the Synod has, finally, resolved enthusiastically and unanimously to inaugurate it. However, our financial stringency has not yet



Pastors of the Ev. Lutheran Church of West Cameroon — Kumba, Ndian, and Bakosi Districts. Left to right: Pastors Isaac Educk, Bruno Njume, Paul Chonason, and R. E. Udofia. Pastors Educk and Udofia at one time served in the Ev. Lutheran Church of Nigeria under the Synodical Conference.

made possible the authorization of the funds for even the first step, the preparation of the men who are to spearhead the operation!

The present shortage of about \$435,000 between the expected income and the budgetary requests for only current operational expenses for 1972-73 excludes any thought of funding the South American mission venture, to say nothing of budgeting any financial assistance for the church in the Cameroon.

Still, we can hardly refrain from pursuing the contact made with this faithful Lutheran church which has turned to us for fellowship and encouragement. In a real sense, they are our spiritual children, brought to faith through our prayers, our gifts, and our witnesses.

Limited, interim assistance has been sent to them from a special fund set aside for helping worthy sister churches in need. And our missionaries in Central Africa have been asked to follow up their first contact with a second visit, to explore more fully the spiritual life, the needs, and the avenues open to alleviate the need in the Cameroonian church. They have also been encouraged to make the literature produced in our Lutheran Press at Lusaka available to the church in West Cameroon.

But every one of us can and will do one further thing; we will carry the matter in prayer to the Lord of the Church who has entrusted us with the saving Gospel not only to edify ourselves and our children, but to share it generously with our fellowmen in all the world with joy.

As He has said: "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thy habitation; spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes; for thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left, and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles!" (Isa. 54:2,3.)

Pastor Edgar Hoenecke  
Executive Secretary for the  
Board for World Missions

## CENTENNIAL AT MENOMONIE, WISCONSIN

When St. Paul's of Menomonie, Wisconsin, celebrated her centennial in the fall of 1971, the congregation took note that two persons in her 100-year history had already observed their centennials. A former pastor, J. H. Schwartz, was two years old and Mrs. Mathilda Brown five years old when St. Paul's Congregation was organized in September, 1871. A century only seems like a very long time until one recalls members who reach the age of 90 and a few who exceed the 100 mark. Then one is more apt to think of a centennial as no more than the first step.

Festive services marking St. Paul's centennial were held on three Sundays. Mr. Carl Henkel, a member of the congregation and a student at our Seminary, preached for the first of these celebrations, on September 26. This was designated as Home Service, at which all members of the congregation were urged to be present. The second service, known as Synod Sunday, was held on October 17. In the morning, the president of the District, Pastor Carl Mischke of Juneau, Wisconsin, explained what the Synod means to the congregation. In the evening, Prof. Paul Eickmann of Northwestern College, Watertown, Wisconsin, whose grandfather had been a former pastor of St. Paul's, expounded on what the members mean to the Synod. In these two services \$1,170 was collected for the Church Extension Fund. The last Sunday, November 7, was Homecoming Sunday. Former members and friends were invited to attend. Pastor Martin Zank of Medford, Wisconsin, encouraged the members to greater love for and service in the kingdom. After a potluck dinner, there was a song service at which the Senior, Girls', and Cherub Choirs led in singing praises to God. Pastor Martin Schwartz, a son of the congregation, was the liturgist. The undersigned spoke briefly of the things he remembered about the congregation during his earlier years.

Special organists were also invited to play for the services. They were: Mr. Manford Robbert, brother of the principal; Prof. Ronald Schilling of DMLC, New Ulm, Minnesota; and Mrs. Doris Pankow Burmeister and Mrs. Gertrude Klaenhammer Price.

Of interest is the fact that 15 pastors and 42 teachers have served the congregation during the last 100 years. The congregation, at the time of its centennial, numbers over 1000 persons.

The opening paragraph of the centennial bulletin reads: "When summarizing the story of St. Paul's Congregation, one thought stands high above all else: our Lord God has showered us with the greatest blessings one can receive, namely, God's Word has been preached in its truth and purity for 100 years in St. Paul's. The Sacraments have been administered according to Christ's institution. The language has changed from German to English, but God's Word never changes. The Word and Sacraments are the same today that they were 100 years ago. We thank God for this great blessing."

H. M. Schwartz



HAVE YOU EVER  
SPENT SUNDAY MORNING  
IN A FIRE HALL?

HAVE YOU EVER SPENT SUNDAY MORNING IN A FIRE HALL? Or a gymnasium? A garage? A beauty parlor? If you were a member of a mission congregation you might, for these are among the places they meet to worship. Unusual surroundings, perhaps. But serious people. Dedicated. Enthusiastic.

If you've never been in such a mission church, imagine arriving early to clean up from Saturday night's party — cigarette butts on the floor, half-filled paper cups. Stale beer smell, mingled with stale tobacco smoke. A small boy sweeps the floor. Another straightens the rows of folding chairs.

The altar is a sheet of plywood, disguised by a cloth cover. The organ, small and reedy-sounding, is pulled from hiding in a closet. Hymn numbers are written on a blackboard.

Compare the sparse furnishings — battered lectern for a pulpit, dingy windows, makeshift altar, no pews — with those in your church.

Gaze at faces as the service begins. You may marvel — not at their devotion, but at their enthusiasm, the hope that shines through. This is the spirit of the mission church.

More than 50 mission congregations are now struggling hopefully for growth and survival, waiting for the opportunity — and funds — with which to build. In humble surroundings they keep alive the hope that they soon will have their own place of worship. Because of the attitude of the unchurched towards the permanency of a church building, it remains true that where there is a chapel, attendance grows.

But if building funds are not provided in time, a mission may founder on the shoals of inaction. Waiting, spirits may sag, evangelistic zeal weaken. Burdened with discouragement, a congregation may not regain its momentum, its drive for growth.



The call for help is heard often by the Church Extension Fund of our Synod. And heeded when funds are available. For over 60 years, the CEF has provided financial aid . . . that missions might grow, and Christ's Word be spread. But CEF finances must be expanded . . . or open doors will shut. The cries of mission congregations waiting for help can still be heard if we but listen. And if we hear, how can we turn away in their time of need?

The CEF has a practical answer to this most urgent need. It is "Lending to the Lord" . . . a way *you* can help.

**THERE IS URGENT NEED** for additional funds to aid mission churches. To maintain its pace, the CEF needs a minimum of \$3,000,000 annually — an increase of \$1,000,000 over present resources. To cut back the CEF program, would mean that the long and discouraging wait will become longer still. You can help prevent that.

**A NEW SOURCE OF CEF FUNDS** is ready for your helping hand. The CEF no longer can depend only on standard sources, as necessary as they remain — gifts, bequests, memorials, annuities, special offerings — the need is far greater. Now you can help by lending — not giving — to the Church Extension Fund. Only you, and other Synod members, can help enough.



A practical answer to this most urgent need for expansion of the Church Extension Fund was given by the 1971 Synod Convention. It authorized the Board of Trustees to initiate a plan whereby the annual appropriation of some \$500,000 from the Synod's offerings could be used in part to pay interest on a larger amount of money borrowed for our missions.

This means that in addition to your gifts, memorials, and bequests to the fund, we can borrow considerably more money to add to the repayments of congregations for investment in new land and chapel loans. We can, that is, if we can borrow the money at a fairly constant and moderate rate of interest.

### THREE PLANS FOR YOUR USE

And this is where you come in. The Board of Trustees has set up three plans whereby you can loan, not give, money to the fund and make possible the equipping of 20 missions per year, our goal for mission openings.

1. A Passbook Loan Account — into which you can make deposits or withdraw in any amount at any time. Such loans will earn 4% daily interest compounded quarterly.
2. A \$25.00 Certificate — to be purchased for \$18.75 which will grow to \$25.73 in five years and ten months. This certificate can also be obtained upon the redemption of a savings stamp album when filled with seventy-five 25c savings stamps (worth \$18.75).
3. CEF Note — a one-year 5% note, automatically renewable with earnings paid on anniversary date of the note with investments of \$100 or any amount more — as much as \$5,000-\$10,000 or more. (Note the ad on the inside-back page of this magazine.)

What a blessing such loans will be for our mission program. It will enable us to put our missions on a 25-year mortgage repayment schedule at a moderate interest rate. It will guarantee the complete revolving of the money in the fund every 25 years because the principal payments will be the first made by the congregation.

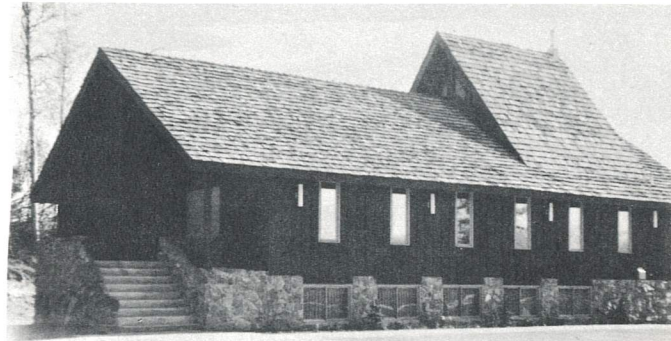
This will be possible despite the varying growth rates of our missions since the mission boards will assist the mission with interest subsidy as long as it is too small to carry the full financial load.

What a blessing such loans to you and to our mission congregations! Adequate facilities, well built, well planned, will enable the missions to reach out more widely to the unchurched of our land. You will be a greater part of this work by *Lending to the Lord* your accumulated cash and regular payday savings.

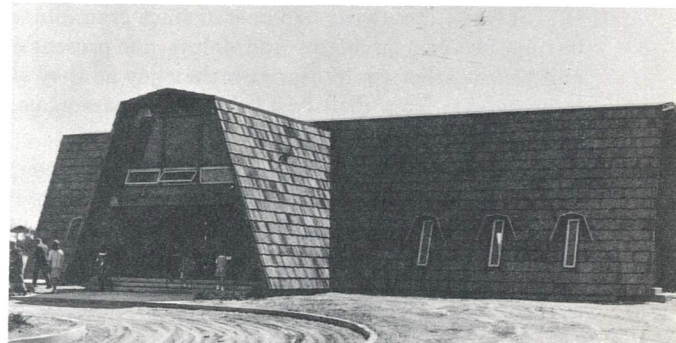
Consider "Lending to the Lord" today through one of the three CEF loan plans! Use the attached reply envelope to invest in the Lord's work or to make further inquiry. As your money properly works for you it also works to extend the Lord's kingdom!

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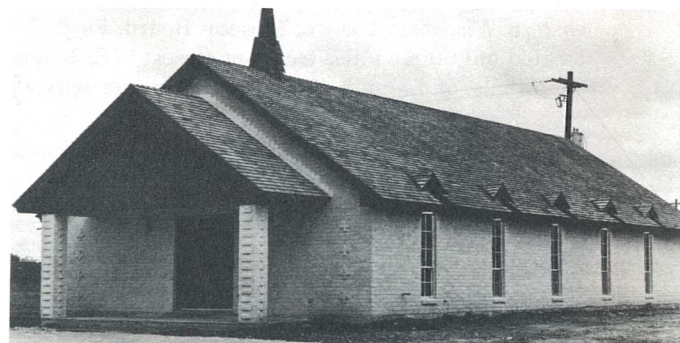
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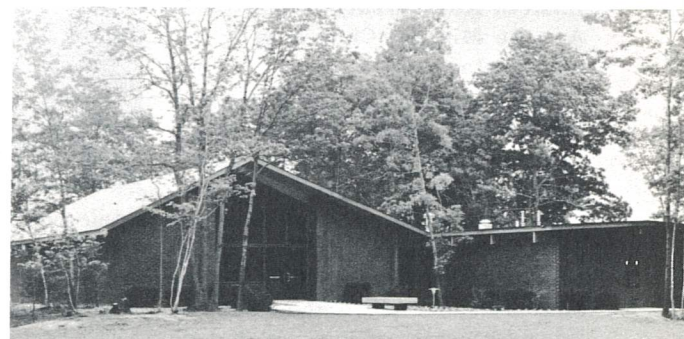
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## FAITH DEDICATES AT SUSSEX CEF MADE IT POSSIBLE

"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord" (Ps. 122:1). The people of Faith Lutheran Church in Sussex, Wisconsin were glad, too, as they entered their new house of worship on October 24, 1971. More than a year had passed since groundbreaking, but neither past problems and delays nor present clouds and wet weather could diminish their joy as they walked in procession from their first "church," a parsonage shell, to their new church nearby.

The parsonage shell had served the mission congregation from its beginning in January, 1967, when Pastor Mark Liesener conducted the first worship service. Pastor Mark Liesener was then, and still is, serving Christ the Lord Lutheran Church in Brookfield, a 15-minute drive from Sussex. The Mission Board has already purchased land for a new mission in Sussex in 1962. During 1967 a nucleus of 33 communicants organized and affiliated with the Wisconsin Synod under the supervision of the South-eastern Wisconsin District Mission Board. Faith Church, located only three miles from her closest WELS neighbor, St. John's of Lannon, from the beginning was able to

work jointly with her sister congregation in Christian day-school training.

By 1969, when the first resident pastor was installed, the communicant strength had increased to more than 100. The planning committee began to study various proposals for meeting the needs of a rapidly growing community and its people. Planning funds from the CEF for a new and larger worship facility were secured in 1969 and, by April 1970, a project loan grant of \$120,000 by the General Board for Home Missions sent the architect's plans out for contractor's bids. On October 18, 1970, pastor and congregation broke ground with the reminder, "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

The new church provides worship seating for 230, with additional seating in the balcony. Total space available including basement-fellowship and Sunday-school area amounts to about 7,000 square feet. Laminated arches with exposed wood-decking highlight the interior, while the exterior walls reflect the pride of the community, its beautiful lannon stone. The wooden chancel furnishings were the fruit of labor donated by a member craftsman, the used pews gifts from St. Lucas Lutheran Church, Milwaukee. Many final touches, including altar paraments, offering bags, floor covering, and landscaping were added by the household of Faith.

On the day of dedication, Pastor Reinhart Pope, Mission Board chairman, on the basis of Genesis 28:16-19, reminded the more than 400 worshipers of "The Meaning of A Church Building." The morning service conducted by the resident pastor was attended by over 200 people sounding the note of gladness and thanksgiving for the blessings of God in times past, and earnestly seeking His grace and mercy for the future. Glory to God for His Word and Spirit, whose power alone creates new congregations and funds like our CEF. May His people ever gladly walk together into the house of the Lord!

Ralph W. Martens, Pastor

## Direct from the Districts

### ARIZONA-TEXAS

#### Fiftieth Anniversary of the Apache Mission Church at San Carlos

In the late winter, spring, summer and well into the fall of 1921, many Apaches were busy building Grace Lutheran Indian Mission Church and parsonage at San Carlos, formerly known as Rice, Arizona. They worked from morning till evening at \$2.00 a day cutting, shaping and fitting tufa stone (hardened, porous vol-



canic ash) to construct the walls under the direction of Mr. White, the masonry contractor. All woodwork was installed by Mr. E. Behn, the building contractor, and his son Paul.

As the construction progressed, the son Paul was so touched by the need for bringing the Good News of the Savior to the Apache Indians that, at the suggestion of Missionary Francis Uplegger, he decided to return to school, attending the Theological Seminary at Wauwatosa to prepare for missionary work among the Apaches. The Lord so willed that Paul Behn became Pastor P. A. Behn and that he served the Apache Indian Mission at Whiteriver and at East Fork from 1926 to 1940. Later, when he became pastor of Fairview Congregation in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, he was elected Executive Chairman of the Board for the Apache Indian Mission. In 1968 he became

Friendly Counselor to the Chinese Ev. Lutheran Church in Hong Kong. So the building of Grace Church back in 1921 contributed to the building of our Lord's Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, in Arizona, in Wisconsin, and in Asia.

At the dedication in 1921, Pastor M. J. Wehausen, then stationed at East Fork, delivered the dedicatory sermon. Since our gracious Lord had brought him back into the Apache Mission at Phoenix a few years ago, it was right that he also preach the sermon on October 10, 1971, for the 50th anniversary. His theme, based on Matthew 17:1-9, was "It is good for us to be here!" More than 250 guests were present for the morning and afternoon services.

From 1919 to 1964, Pastor Francis Uplegger served at San Carlos, at first carrying the Gospel on horseback to the Indian settlers along the San Carlos River. Over the years, he became an authority on the Apache language, compiled a dictionary, expressed the comforting Gospel in some 30 hymns in Apache, and preached in Apache, without an interpreter, for 20 years. The Apaches honored him with the title "Inashood Hastihn," the "Old Gentleman Missionary." He died in June, 1964, at the age of 96 years, after having served the entire Apache Mission as superintendent for 20 years. His son, Pastor A. M. Uplegger, now serves as pastor at Grace Church.

The congregation at San Carlos today numbers 530 baptized members, of whom 150 are communicants. From 1921 to October 1971, a total of 1682 persons were baptized: 875 infants, 612 children of school age, and 195 adults. During that period 291 marriages were performed, and 90 adults and numerous children received Christian burial.

The bell in the tower still calls to worship, the tufa stone is still firm, Grace Mission Church still serves its purpose, calling God's chosen to the one, true faith!

#### **WELS at Sun City, Arizona**

Arizona's newest WELS congregation, Our Savior of Sun City, was first served by Pastor D. Gray of Emmaus

Lutheran in Phoenix. In September, 1971, a parsonage was purchased in Sun City and Pastor V. Schultz accepted the call as first resident pastor. Installation services were held on the second Sunday in October, with a large number of visitors from the Phoenix area churches. Land has been acquired, but until a chapel can be erected, services are being conducted each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. at Town Hall North, 10725 West Oakmont.

With the guidance of the Synod's architectural department plans are being made for a new church building to be built at 103rd Avenue and Cumberland. It is hoped that the chapel will be completed in 1972. The pastor asks that all names of persons of our Synod moving into this area be sent to him at 14235 Tumblebrook Way, Sun City, Arizona 85351.

#### **Do You Need Offering Prayers?**

Pastor Arthur J. Clement of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Edna, Texas, has prepared 57 prayers for presenting the offerings to the Lord. They are both general in scope and cover the main seasons of the church year. These prayers have been mimeographed and are available from Pastor Clement at 50c per booklet postpaid. His address is 1008 W. Gale St., Edna, Texas 77957.

### **NORTHERN WISCONSIN**

#### **Wife of Retired Teacher Dies**

Mrs. Mathilda Schultz, wife of retired Christian day-school teacher Ferdinand Schultz, passed away on January 7, 1972, at the age of 80 years.

In December, 1970, the couple was privileged to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary at Kewaskum, Wisconsin, where they lived in their retirement. All eleven children survive their mother's passing. Two sons are in the preaching ministry, and two are Christian day-school teachers.

The funeral service was conducted by her pastor, the Rev. Paul Hoenecke, at Fairview Lutheran Church in Milwaukee, where her husband was principal for many years.

The message of comfort addressed to the family was based on John 20:30,31. Burial took place in Highland Memorial Park in Milwaukee.

#### **Faith Observes the 25th Anniversary of Its Founding**

In two morning services President O. J. Naumann addressed the members of Faith Ev. Lutheran Church, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, on February 13, 1972, on the 25th anniversary of their organization. Using Psalm 117 as his text, he exhorted the members of Faith Congregation to "Praise the Lord" for all past and future blessings. In the afternoon, Pastor Karl A. Gurgel, president of the Northern Wisconsin District, spoke on John 8:31-36: "The Savior's Picture of the Church of Everlasting Anniversaries." Serving as liturgist for all services was the pastor of the congregation, the Rev. Martin Janke.

Faith Congregation was organized as one of three daughter congregations of St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Church in Fond du Lac. The organizational meeting was held on February 10, 1947, with the Rev. John Raabe serving as first pastor. The basement church, constructed in 1948, served the congregation until 1961, when the superstructure was completed.

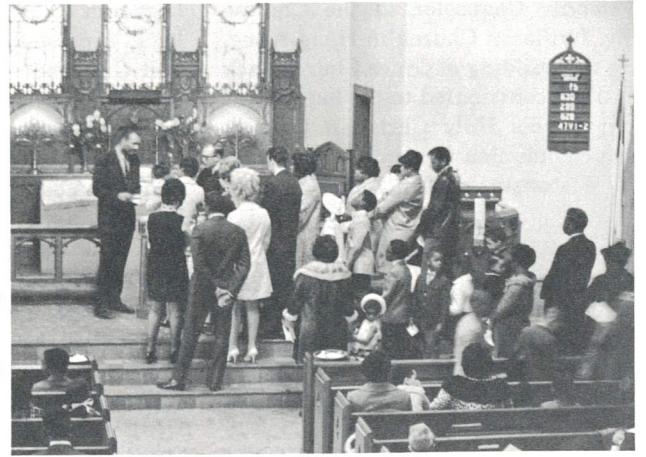
Throughout its history Faith has actively supported the cause of Christian education. Until 1961 the congregation sent its children to St. Peter's School; since then it has operated its own school. The present enrollment is 138 pupils, and the staff numbers five teachers. The congregation has also been a staunch supporter of the Winnebago Lutheran Academy, a Lutheran high school located in Fond du Lac.

Over the past 25 years, Faith Congregation has been served by four pastors. Its present communicant membership is 462. For the future the congregation places its trust in the Lord, who has promised: "Fear thou not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee, yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness" (Isa. 41:10).



WILL YOU COME?

YES WE WILL



## CHALLENGE FOR WELS YOUTH

### YOU ARE INVITED TO SHARE YOUR SAVIOR IN THE INNERCITY

#### It Can Happen Again

Last Summer over 100 concerned young people "hit" the innercity streets of Milwaukee and Detroit. They spent three weeks sharing their Savior with those whom they met. They canvassed, witnessed, and taught vacation Bible school. The pictures on this page reveal the story of how the Holy Spirit used them as His instruments. The first picture "captures" one of the Lord's workers personally sharing her faith with a neighborhood family. The second shows some of the fruits of the harvest the Lord grants when His Word is zealously proclaimed. On a Sunday after the evangelism program was completed over 40 children were brought by their parents to be baptized and become children of God. In a Detroit congregation the pastor walked down the aisle before the service and was amazed to find so many strangers crowding the pews. These are but two examples of how the Lord blessed the efforts of this program of going forth in His name.

#### You Are Invited

You are invited to participate in this phase of the Lord's work during the summer of 1972 — this year! Innercity evangelism projects will again be carried out in Milwaukee and Detroit. The main thrust of the programs will be to reach out to the souls around our innercity congrega-

tions, sharing the saving Gospel message with adults by personal contact in the homes, and particularly with the children in the VBS sessions.

Lutheran Young People — this is your invitation to become an active participant in the Lord's kingdom. Lutheran teachers — this is a challenge to you to join these young people and share your knowledge of the Christian faith and life with those who do not yet know Jesus as their Savior.

As in the past, training sessions will be held at the start of and during the program. These training sessions will stress Bible study, person to person witnessing, and teaching vacation Bible school to unchurched children.

To qualify for participation in the program you must be of college age or over, and you must be willing to give up three weeks of your time. Meals and lodging are furnished. The Milwaukee program will be held from June 11 through June 30. The Detroit project is scheduled for July 24 through August 13.

To receive more detailed information and an application blank write to:

Milwaukee Evangelism Project  
R. Gary Schroeder, Director  
2976 N. 1st St.  
Milwaukee, Wis. 53212

or

Detroit Evangelism Project  
Ronald Buelow, Coordinator  
5529 N. 36th St.  
Milwaukee, Wis. 53209

### YOU ARE INVITED TO SPREAD THE GOSPEL FAR AND WIDE

Another area of opportunity for our college-age young people to serve their Lord is offered by the Lutheran Collegians' Traveling Canvass-Witness Program. Last summer 25 Lutheran collegians of our Synod journeyed to 10 cities in eight states, ranging from Washington to Florida. They participated in 12 area-wide canvasses and helped to conduct three vacation Bible schools.

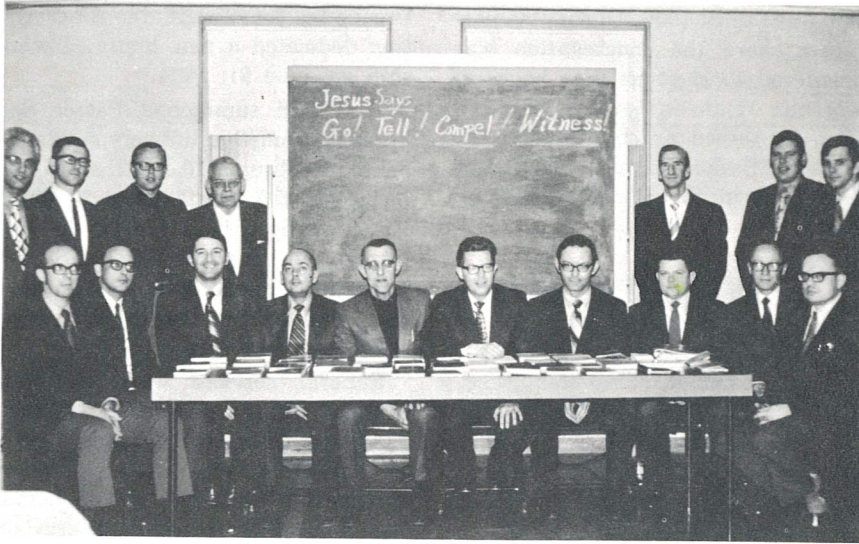
To carry out a similar program during the summer of 1972 the Lutheran Collegians and the General Board for Home Missions are looking for at least 25 volunteers. The major requirement for this program is that volunteers must have participated in an innercity evangelism project or a similar canvass program.

The number of weeks each volunteer works will depend on the time that they have to give. Cross country expenses are paid by the Mission Board. Congregations where the canvasses are conducted provide room and board. There is no compensation beyond that — no compensation except the satisfaction of carrying out the Lord's work. Present plans are incomplete but as of now it looks as if canvasses will be conducted in Texas, Iowa, Michigan and Florida.

For more information contact your local chapter of the Lutheran Collegians or write to:

Pastor Norman Berg  
3512 W. North Ave.  
Milwaukee, Wis. 53208

**WILL YOU ACCEPT  
THIS INVITATION?**



Pastors who attended the Seminar  
in West Allis, Wisconsin

## EVANGELISM SEMINAR

January 31 to  
February 4, 1972

The Evangel, the Gospel, never changes. Times do change. This change necessitates change in presentation of the Gospel. For example, at one time most preaching of the Gospel done in our churches was in the German language. Today almost all preaching is done in English. Different situations also require changes in Gospel presentations. For example, a scholarly dissertation of the Gospel may be in place on a university campus but such a presentation could not be expected to bear great fruit among the uneducated natives in a remote village of Malawi or Zambia. The Gospel always remains the same, but the presentation of the Gospel varies.

"Study to show thyself approved unto God" is an order which the Apostle Paul gave to his coworker Timothy (II Tim. 2:15). Mindful of this responsibility to "study," 15 Milwaukee area pastors met at the end of January for a five-day seminar. The purpose was to study, discuss, evaluate and practice various techniques in presenting the Gospel to souls who do not yet trust in Christ for their eternal salvation. "How do I go about telling the unchurched about the Savior?" was the question each one wanted answered. It sounded simple, but was more involved than they first thought.

Moderator for the seminar was the chairman of the Southeastern Wis-

consin District's Commission on Evangelism, Pastor David Witte. Members of the seminar met each afternoon for four hours. They prayed for guidance and then delved into study. After a supper in Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of West Allis, where they met, the men went out in pairs to put into practice what they had learned. They called on homes of the unchurched to "witness" to them. They were able to observe each other and in a constructive way criticize each other's ways of presenting the Gospel.

Pastor Rolf Westendorf, one of the speakers at the seminar, wrote, "Getting there was half the battle. Some drove 90 miles every day, but that wasn't the biggest challenge. They dared to postpone classes, to cancel meetings, to absent themselves from evening meals with their families. Why? So that they could give evangelism the attention it deserves."

The seminar was not an aimless, free-for-all groping for some elusive will-o'-the-wisp evangelism program. Knowledgeable men came prepared and presented definite approaches to the unchurched. Their presentations were analyzed. We are confident that each man came away from that seminar with a deeper understanding of what it means "to talk about the Savior," and that each pastor will return to his home congregation much better qualified to take a layman with him

and demonstrate to him how to witness for Christ.

The last afternoon was given to a discussion of organization. *The Evangelism Chairman*, a booklet obtainable from *The Evangelism Bookshop*, was presented. This booklet may be used as is in the organization of the work of evangelism in local congregations, or adapted to fit special circumstances. The seminar came to an end with an inspirational dinner meeting of pastors and their evangelism committees. The seminar ended, but Evangelism will continue with new vigor and zeal.

The undersigned was privileged to attend two days of the seminar. As a participant, but chiefly as an observer, he left with the conviction that such seminars should be held throughout the Synod and that they would, without question, serve to the glory of God. We hope that congregations will be willing to foot the bill and send their pastors and laymen to such seminars! The cause of Scriptural evangelism would assuredly be advanced! We share Pastor Westendorf's hope: "God grant that evangelism may continue to demand its fair share of the congregation's time and effort."

Pastor W. Valleskey,  
Chairman Michigan District  
Commission on Evangelism

**Pastor Lee C. Sabrowsky  
1905 - 1972**

Pastor Lee C. Sabrowsky was born August 14, 1905, at Split Rock, Wisconsin, the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Sabrowsky. He was brought to the Lord in baptism as an infant, and attested to his baptismal covenant at the time of his confirmation.

Pastor Sabrowsky was a graduate of Northwestern College and, in 1931, of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Thiensville, Wisconsin. He was ordained into the holy ministry at Jordan Lutheran Church, West Allis, by the Rev. Justus Ruege, his brother-in-law. His first parish was Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, Colome, South Dakota, where he served from 1931 to 1939.

On September 8, 1931, he was united in marriage with Miss Aurelia Vandrey at Mankato, Minnesota.

In 1939, Pastor Sabrowsky accepted the call to serve Grace Lutheran Church of Sioux City, Iowa, where he

remained until 1950. During his pastorate there the congregation was privileged to erect its first house of worship. While in Iowa, Pastor Sabrowsky served as chairman of the District Mission Board, a position he also held in the Pacific Northwest District for 15 years.



Pastor Lee C. Sabrowsky

In 1950 he and his family moved to Portland, Oregon, where he became pastor at Grace Lutheran Church.

During his years there, the congregation dedicated a new house of worship on June 21, 1964.

The Lord summoned Pastor Sabrowsky from this life very suddenly early on February 10, 1972, at an age of 66 years, 5 months, and 27 days. He is survived by his wife; his son Daniel, who is pastor of Our Savior Lutheran Church, Pomona, California; one brother, two sisters, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Monday, February 14, 1972, at Grace Lutheran Church, Portland. Pastor D. Bruemmer conducted a private service for the family at the home. Pastor R. Baur read the liturgy at the church and spoke in behalf of the District Board for Home Missions. Pastor G. Frey, president of the Pacific Northwest District, preached the sermon on I Peter 1:8,9. The committal service was read by Pastor H. Schewe.

The brother has received the goal of his faith, salvation with the Lord!

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

**THE SYNODICAL COUNCIL**

The Synodical Council will meet, God willing, on April 26 and 27 at the Synod Administration Building, 3512 West North Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53208. The first session begins at 9 a.m.

Preliminary meetings of various boards, committees and commissions are being scheduled by the respective chairmen.

All materials to be included in the Report to the Nine Districts are to be ready for presentation to the Council that week.

Oscar J. Naumann, President

**THE ASSIGNMENT COMMITTEE**

This year the Assignment Committee will meet, God willing, at Milwaukee and Mequon on May 22 and 23. It will meet at New Ulm on May 24 and 25. The meeting at New Ulm was arranged in order to enable the Assignment Committee members to meet the teacher candidates in person. In the past they have been able to meet only the pastoral candidates on Assignment Day. The preliminary meeting of the District presidents begins at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 22.

Oscar J. Naumann, President

**THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The next regular plenary session of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for

**April 24 and 25, 1972.**

Business to be acted upon is to be submitted to the Executive Secretary of the Board with copies to be furnished the Chairman of the Board at least 10 days before the scheduled meeting.

Carl S. Leyrer, Secretary

**OFFER**

Cross Congregation of Charles City wishes to give its used white altar superfrontal, lectern and pulpit antependia to a mission congregation. Contact: Mrs. Jack Towner, 303 First Ave., Charles City, Iowa 50516.

**INSTALLATIONS**

(Authorized by District Presidents)

**Pastors:**

**Plocher, Karl M.**, as pastor of Hope, Swartz Creek, MI, on March 19, 1972, by E. Schultz (Mich.).

**Weimer, Robert L.**, as pastor of Zion, Zealand, ND, on Feb. 27, 1972, by N. Engel, and as pastor of St. Paul, Mound City, SD, on Feb. 27, 1972, by L. Schroeder (Dak.-Mont.).

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

(Submitted by District Presidents)

**Pastors:**

**Habben, A. B.**  
2832 Priscilla  
Riverside, CA 92506

**Miller, Elmer I. em.**  
608 Weyman Rd.  
Pittsburgh, PA 15236

**Seager, Gilbert B. em.**  
General Delivery  
Cherokee Village, AR 72542

**Strobel, Richard W.**  
1312 Ninth St.  
Rapid City, SD 57701

**Vogt, Wayne C.**  
100 Bayou Woods Dr.  
Angleton, TX 77515

**Wagner, Wernor E.**  
878 E. Memorial Dr.  
Janesville, WI 53545

**Teachers:**

**Essmann, Lloyd**  
705 Milton Ave.  
Janesville, WI 53545

**Scheitel, Jerome A.**  
625 32nd St., W.  
Billings, MT 59102

**PASTORS' INSTITUTE**

A Pastors' Institute will be held at Luther High School, Onalaska, Wis., June 19-23, 1972. The agenda for the institute includes "An Exegetical Study of a Minor Prophet," Prof. J. Jeske, and "An Isagogical Study of Revelation," Prof. I. Habeck.

Sessions will be from 9:00 - 12:00 a.m. A fee of \$10.00 will be charged to cover costs. Dinner will be provided at \$1.50, and overnight lodging can be provided at \$1.50.

Early registration will be appreciated. Registration may be made by writing: Luther High School, Pastors' Institute, Onalaska, Wisconsin 54650.

**COLLEGIAN RETREAT**

The sixth annual Lutheran Collegians Spring Retreat will be held May 12-14, 1972, at Squaw Point — Hillman, Minn. The retreat will deal with the topic: THEOLOGY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. For more information, posters, and reservation blanks write: Collegian Retreat, 204 Gibbs St., Box 37, Prescott, Wisconsin 54021.

**WORSHIP SERVICES ON CAPE COD**

Trinity Lutheran Church (ELS) is conducting services at 10:30 a.m. Sundays in the Brewster Town Hall on Rte. 6A in Brewster, Massachusetts 02631. For information call 896-3721. In charge is Pastor Martin Teigen.

**NOTICE!**

**Pastor Karl Otto — 392-16-6370**

Civilian Chaplain in Southeast Asia  
Saigon, Vietnam

Servicemen may phone Saigon PTT  
22429 or visit Chaplain Otto at 329  
Vo Tanh, Saigon.

Mailing address:

**WELS Box 58, APO SF 96243**



### District Anniversary Book

The Dakota-Montana District Golden Anniversary book, which contains pictures of all parishes in addition to two historical essays, is available at \$2.00 per copy postpaid. Order from: Pastor G. Geiger, Roscoe, SD 57471.

## CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

### ARIZONA-CALIFORNIA

#### TEXAS-NEW MEXICO PASTORAL CONFERENCE

**Date:** April 11-12, 1972

**Place:** Holy Word, Austin, TX

**Preacher:** W. Vogt (M. Wagenknecht, alternate).

**Agenda:** Isagogical Study of Ecclesiastes: M. Wagenknecht; Exegesis of Revelation 2:12-17: V. Glaeske; Sermon Study: M. Hahn; Panel Discussion on 20th Century Language in Worship: P. Siegler; The Divine Call (Reference to Various Boards): W. Krueger.

W. Vogt, Secretary

### MICHIGAN

#### NORTHERN PASTORAL CONFERENCE

**Date:** April 10, 1972; 9:00 a.m.

**Place:** Zion Lutheran Church, 11 mi. W., 3/4 mi. N. of Mt. Pleasant on Coldwater Rd.

**Preacher:** H. Kaesmeyer (E. Kasischke, alternate).

**Agenda:** Suggestions for the Use of Modern Translations in the Preaching and Teaching Ministry: M. Toepel; committee reports.

E. C. Schmeizer, Secretary

#### OHIO CONFERENCE

**Date:** April 11-12, 1972.

**Place:** St. Andrew's, Toledo, OH

**Preacher:** G. Schroer.

**Agenda:** Exegesis of Romans 6: J. Brug; Law and Stewardship: D. Laude; Pentecostalism, Tongues, and Healing: K. Roehl.

A. J. Wolfgram, Secretary

### MINNESOTA

#### DISTRICT PASTORAL CONFERENCE

**Date:** April 11-12, 1972; opening session on Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. and Communion service at 7:30 p.m.

**Place:** St. Paul's, Litchfield, MN; G. Birkholz, host pastor.

**Preacher:** H. Muenkel (I. Johnson, alternate).

**Agenda:** A Scriptural Presentation of the Moral Precept of the Third Commandment which Still Applies in New Testament Times: M. Burk; Population Explosion and Zero Growth Rate in the Light of Scripture: R. Kant; A Theological and Practical Study of what institutional Mission Work Should Be in View of Present-Day Circumstances and Times: W. Hoyer; The Women's Lib Movement as It Affects Social, Political and Church Life: A. Jannusch; business and reports.

**Note:** Registration fee: \$1.50; request cards for meals and lodging will be mailed; visiting elders are the excuse committee.

G. Birkholz, Secretary

### NEBRASKA

#### DISTRICT PASTORAL CONFERENCE

**Date:** April 11-13, 1972; Communion service on Tuesday, April 12, at 7:30 p.m.

**Place:** Trinity Ev. Lutheran, Winner, SD; W. Leerssen, host pastor.

**Preacher:** T. Zarling (W. Leerssen, alternate).

**Agenda:** The Role of the Visiting Elder in Our Churches: L. Ellenberger; The Procedure in the Consideration of a Call: G. Eckert; Exegetical Study of Romans 14: C. Otto; Mormonism: W. Krenke; reports.

**Note:** Please announce to host pastor for lodging and meals.

R. Tischer, Secretary

## NORTHERN WISCONSIN

### MANITOWOC PASTORAL CONFERENCE

**Date:** April 10, 1972; 9 a.m. Communion service.

**Place:** Calvary Ev. Lutheran, Sheboygan, WI

**Preacher:** A. Schultz (E. Stelter, alternate).

**Agenda:** Exegesis of Isaiah 59: A. Stuebs; Sermon Study: C. Rosenow; The Pastor as an Example for the Congregation: A. Stuebs.

P. J. Damrow, Secretary

### LAKE SUPERIOR

#### PASTOR-TEACHER CONFERENCE

**Date:** April 11-12, 1972; 9:30 a.m. (CST); Communion service on Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

**Place:** Calvary, Abrams, WI; R. Steffenhagen, host pastor.

**Preacher:** D. Fritz (R. Frohmader, alternate).

**Agenda:** What Do You Mean: Teen-age Rebellion? D. Tills; Isagogical Review of the Books of the New Testament (continuation): P. Kuckhahn; What Light Does I Corinthians 11:1-15 Shed on Today's Hair Styles? G. Gartman; Exegesis of II Peter 3: C. Klein; Exegesis of Genesis 40: W. Besler; Lodges and Other Related Organizations: J. Lindquist; The Baptism of John: J. Wendland; conference business.

G. E. Gartman, Secretary

### FOX RIVER VALLEY

#### PASTOR-TEACHER CONFERENCE

**Date:** April 17, 1972.

**Opening Service:** 9:00 a.m. Communion service at Bethany Lutheran Church, Parkway Blvd. at North Alvin, Appleton, WI; L. Koenig, host pastor; preacher: O. Henning (L. Koenig, alternate).

**Sessions:** Fox Valley Lutheran High School, Appleton, WI

**Agenda:** The Message of Daniel for the Christian Teacher: H. E. Warnke; The Role of Educational Materials Centers in Our Schools and Congregations: Mrs. Fred Harke; Your Problems and Mine (Panel Discussion): J. Behling, E. Krause, W. Lueders.

**Note:** Please be certain to notify the school well ahead of the meeting date if you wish to eat lunch at the school cafeteria.

W. Gaulke, Secretary

## PACIFIC NORTHWEST

### SPRING PASTORAL CONFERENCE

**Date:** April 11-13, 1972.

**Place:** Trinity, Eugene, OR; L. Ade, host pastor.

**Preacher:** K. Neumann (M. Diersen, alternate).

**Agenda:** Homiletical Study of Psalm 23: R. Baur; Jesus People: P. Pankow and M. Teske; Collect Revision — Festival Half: D. Zietlow, E. Zimmermann, E. Bode, G. Zimmermann, W. Bernhardt, J. Henning; Bible Numerics — What is It? What Use Can We Make of It? P. Albrecht; alternates: Galatians: M. Teske; Formula of Concord: P. Schliesser.

L. Ade, Secretary

## SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN

### DODGE-WASHINGTON PASTORAL CONFERENCE

**Date:** April 11, 1972; 9:00 a.m.

**Place:** Zum Kripplein Christi, Iron Ridge, WI

**Preacher:** W. Schink (E. Weiss, alternate).

**Agenda:** Exegesis of I Corinthians 15:48ff: E. Froehlich; God's Word and Capital Punishment: H. Schwertfeger; Effective Stewardship in the Light of Holy Scripture: E. Weiss.

P. H. Huth, Secretary

## WESTERN WISCONSIN

### SOUTHWESTERN AND MISSISSIPPI VALLEY JOINT CONFERENCE

**Date:** April 11, 1972.

**Place:** First Ev. Lutheran, West Ave. and Cameron, La Crosse, WI; F. Miller and P. Nitz, host pastors.

**Preacher:** W. Paustian (L. Schalow, alternate).

**Agenda:** Using the Medium of Contemporary Music to Communicate the Gospel: F. Italliano; A History of Science: M. Sponholz; Article X of the Formula of Concord — On Church Rites: T. Kuske.

D. Fischer, Secretary

## TIME AND PLACE OF SERVICE

### LORD OF LIFE: HOUSTON, TEXAS

Lord of Life Ev. Lutheran Church, Houston, Texas, serving the South Houston area including Clear Lake City, Kemah, Seabrook, League City, Friendswood, Alvin and Pearland, is now conducting weekly worship services at the Junior Achievement Building, 17302 El Camino Real, Clear Lake City. Sunday school and Bible class begin at 6:00 p.m. and worship at 7:00 p.m. For information, please contact Rev. Vilas R. Glaeske at area code 713, 498-4063.

### PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

Divine Charity Lutheran Church is now meeting at 608 Weyman Rd. (Caste Village Shopping Center), Whitehall, PA. Sunday worship is at 9:00 a.m., Sunday school and Bible class at 10:00 a.m. Referrals for the Pittsburgh area should be sent to Pastor John Brug, 501 Vine St., West Newton, PA, 15089.

### GOING TO DISNEY WORLD?

If you are, we invite you to worship in King of Kings Ev. Lutheran Church in Maitland, a suburb of Orlando, Florida. Our church is on Wymore Road, one block east of Interstate 4 between exits 436 and 438. Sunday school and Bible class at 9:15 and worship services at 10:30 a.m. Pastor G. P. Kionka, Route 2, Box 80, Maitland, FL 32751 Phone (305) 831-2100.