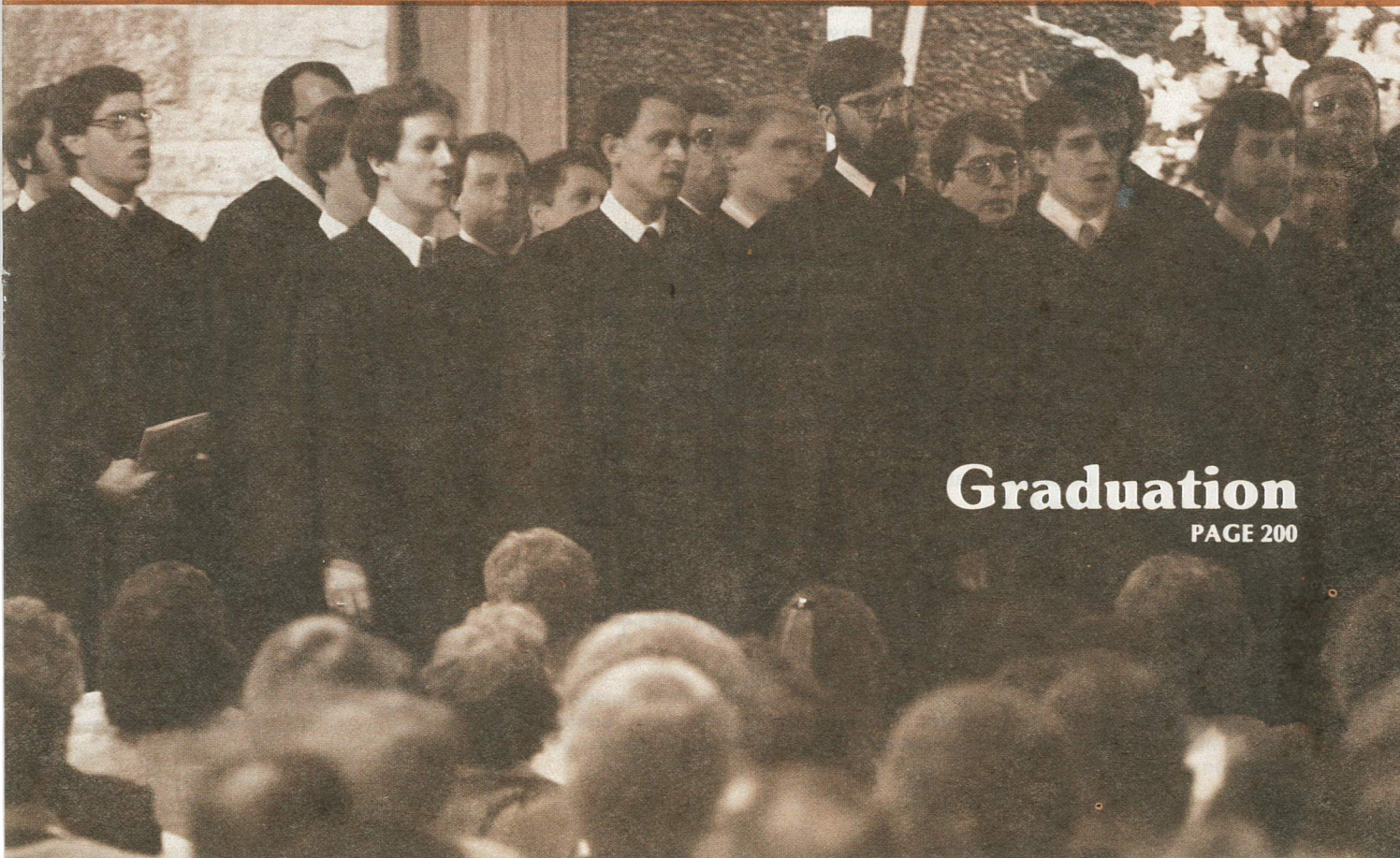
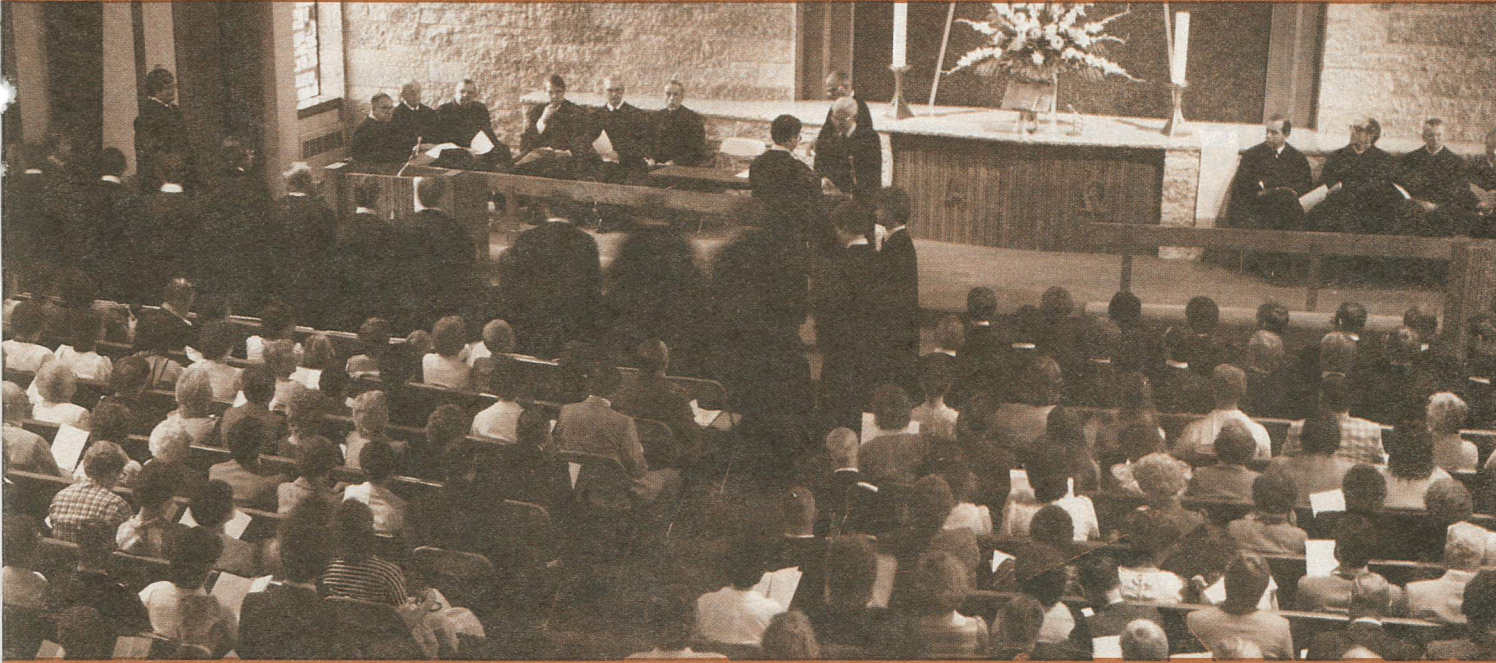


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*Enough  
is  
enough*

Let's all get together and make a promise: *This summer will be different!* Enough is enough! There is no reason before God for church offerings to drop off catastrophically during the summer months. Many congregations enter the final quarter of the year with a deficit so huge that it requires heroic measures just to keep afloat.

The tempo of church life slows down during the summer months. The parish and Sunday schools are not in session. Committees meet less frequently. On any summer Sunday perhaps a third of the parish families are out of town for the day or on an extended vacation. Plunging church attendance is the major reason cited for the decline in offerings.

That may be the reason. But it is difficult to understand *why* this should be so. Ninety percent of a congregation's income is contributed by its core membership. Those are the members who regularly attend church. They may miss an occasional service, but their typical Sunday morning is spent in church. If they miss an occasional service during the year, no drop in offerings is noted — except in summer.

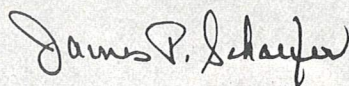
Why does summer make a difference? Since no hard data has been collected on this particular phenomenon of church life, one must rely on anecdotal evidence. A strong case may be made that normal offering money is being shifted to underwrite vacations.

A bad habit may also be involved. A large number of core members do not use their envelopes on the Sundays they may miss church. Their contributions are tied to their attendance. This happens during the year also, but it is not noticed. In summer with scores absent from the service, the missing offering may amount to four figures.

I return to a favorite theme of mine: our annual plan of giving does not always have a deep commitment. It is not an inflexible rule of the household — even among core members — that first God's portion then ours. Whether we attend of a Sunday or not, the offering is set aside for the Lord's work. The Bible calls this *firstfruits giving*.

That works best if there is a formal occasion during the year when our plan of giving is adopted. A formal occasion: when we recognize God's rich blessings to us, when we pray over it, when we see how our dollars are translated into gospel ministry, when we prayerfully make a decision how we will share in God's work on a regular basis without fail. If such a plan is adopted, and if such a plan is lived in the home, then there should be no summer slump in offerings. If the church's calendar does not include such an occasion, then let us do it in our homes. But let's do it.

But whatever — enough is enough!



COVER — Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary of Mequon, Wisconsin conferred master of divinity degrees upon fifty-nine graduates. (Top) Professor Armin Schuetze, president of the seminary, awarded the diplomas. (Bottom) The graduates sang at the May 25 graduation service.

May the Lord our God be with us  
as he was with our fathers;  
may he never leave  
or forsake us. 1 Kings 8:57

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# The prayer of a Christian patriot

Six percent of the world's population, that's all we total. Yet we have 33% of the world's production, 33% of its college students, 50% of its air travel, and 60% of its automobiles. *Still we grumble!*

We are supposed to need 1800 calories a day. Yet our daily consumption is some 3500, more than eight times that of the world's average. TV antennas and faucets with running water are common, even among our poorer people, while millions elsewhere struggle to find food and shelter. *Still we grumble!*

From coast to coast we can travel without once having to produce our papers or pass a checkpoint. Personal income and property are ours to acquire in whatever amount we can. Without threat of reprisal we can criticize those in authority; we can even vote freely for the candidate of our choice. Above all, we can worship the Lord and teach his Word to our children unhindered and unmolested. *Still we grumble!*

Moses' words are good ones for us. "When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the Lord your God, for the good land which he has given you. Be careful that you do not forget the Lord your God" (Deuteronomy 8:10f). "*God, be praised for America,*" the Christian patriot prays.

## Forgive America

The Ten Commandments are crumbling into memory's dust. For such a statement no crystal ball is needed, just a candid look at the lives of many Americans. Serious crimes, like robbery, rape and murder, have more than doubled since 1960. Daily 4000 unborn children lose their lives. That's one every two seconds. Employee theft costs business owners some \$10 billion annually while alcoholism causes problems for more than 12% of all Americans. Pornography no longer comes

from under the counter in brown wrappers, but is slickly displayed on quick-serve shelves. Nor are we as Christians immune. Those who must swim in such polluted waters run the constant risk of swallowing some.

John's words are good ones for us. "If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). "*God, forgive America,*" the Christian patriot prays.

"A nation on its knees is a more impressive sight than one waving flags," someone said. We agree. We want America on its knees in penitence and prayer. We want more. We want America rising from its knees to walk after the Lord in paths of Christian service.

Such concern is not only for those millions of unnamed homes strung across America. It starts right with my home on the street where I live. Christian homes, where the Lord is feared and his Word revered, are the pillars of a nation and the source of national strength. Because of them God blesses a nation.

So how goes it with our homes? Do the mats on the porch say *Welcome* also to the Heavenly Guest? Does his Word get equal — not to say more — time than the daily newspaper? Is the church bench as important as the workbench? Does the soul of our children receive more attention than the body we clothe, the stomach we fill, the education we provide, and the future we plan? Too many are already only playing at this thing called religion. We dare not. For ourselves, our families, our nation, we need to sweat that God's Word be provided and practiced.

## Help America

Jesus' words are good ones for us, "Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness and all these things

(the earthly things we need) will be given to you as well" (Matthew 6:33). "*God, help America,*" the Christian patriot prays.

There are so many ways God could use America today. In a world exploding with wars and rumors of wars God can use us as peacemakers. In a world ever worried about a handful of flour and a mouthful of bread God can use us to help feed the less fortunate. In a world washed by a surging Red Tide God can use us to help hold aloft the torch of freedom.

Above all, God can use us to help spread his Word. To a world bitterly locked in battle with Satan and facing defeat in hell, we have a message to bring. As believers, let's shout it out, "The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work" (1 John 3:8). To a world where souls starve daily and the Bread of Life is in short supply, we need to broadcast widely the Savior's words, "I am the Bread of Life. He who comes to me will never go hungry" (John 6:33). To a world around which the chains of hell are tightening and in which the light of spiritual liberty shines only weakly, we need to ring his promise from the rooftops, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth and the truth will set you free" (John 8:31,32).

This blessed message America still has and, uniquely, the resources to proclaim it. Must not the Christian patriot pray, "*God, use America*"? □



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## The Bible is right after all

Among the early colonists in America acceptance of the Bible with its Ten Commandments was all but unanimous, at least in public. Pious attitudes and strict practices prevailed among them. They believed with the Psalmist that "the Word of the Lord is right," even though history shows that their understanding of it was not perfect.

Attitudes toward the Bible and toward Biblical morality have changed. The teachings of the Bible are openly scorned in many quarters. Christian conviction is quite commonly looked upon as a bias or prejudice. Biblical morality is frequently referred to contemptuously as mid-Victorian, Puritan, or antediluvian.

This change in attitude among the populace has had profound effects. For example, abortion historically prohibited by law, has been legalized, and the killing of the unborn has become a widely accepted practice. In many modern wedding ceremonies the phrase "till death do us part" survives only as a quaint tradition of the church. The Biblical "obey" has been all but eliminated from the promise of the bride. The practice by some of "open marriage" makes mockery of the phrase "keep thee only unto him/her." Marriage itself is easily dismissed as a "piece of paper" by unmarried couples living together, and homosexual practice has gained wide acceptance as an "alternate lifestyle."

"Living in sin" has become so widespread among unmarried couples that U.S. census officials were compelled at the time of the last census to establish a special category for POSSLQ's (Person of Opposite Sex Sharing Living Quarters). Our churches have not remained untouched, either. One of our pastors recently reported that one of the confirmed members of his church expressed surprise that there was anything against his living with his girlfriend without benefit of marriage.

We see such attitudes as a departure from the Word of God, and we do not foresee any wholesale change in them. "Evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse" is Biblical forecast.

It was refreshing, nonetheless, to read two articles which appeared recently in the public press on the same day. One, a newspaper editorial on the value of the traditional family, stated, "No single effort to reduce the number of individuals existing at or below the poverty level would be as productive as decreasing the high level of divorce." The other, part of the daily syndicated column of a renowned religious figure, asserted, "Every day my mail brings letters from women who are filled with deep guilt and remorse because they have submitted (often against their better judgment) to an abortion." In addition, the April 9, 1984 issue of Time magazine printed as its cover story a lengthy article on the subject "The (Sexual) Revolution Is Over," and the article cited evidence as a basis for its conclusion.

Apparently, a significant number of people have found by experience that the laws of God cannot be spurned with impunity. Perhaps also some who have abandoned God's ways for the pseudo-progressive thinking of man will be led through their disillusionment to begin thinking that the Bible is right after all.

Immanuel G. Frey



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# I believe . . . in the holy Christian church

Dear Ben,

I was so angry when I read your last letter, I wanted to throw a fit! When I read that you had been attending one of our churches, walking two miles to get there, overcoming all the obstacles that dorm life offers, and then not one of its members has welcomed you to the congregation, I wanted to rifle off a scorching letter to that church council. How can they stand up and recite that they believe in "the communion of saints" and not even bother to find out if a visitor is a fellow saint? How can they say they believe that the gospel is to be shared with the whole world and make no effort to get to know the world that walks into their congregation for a Sunday service? There is no excuse for such bad manners!

## LOVE LETTERS ON THE CREED by Richard H. Stadler

Don't they understand how tough it is for college students to pry themselves out of the sack on Sunday morning, to overcome the ridicule you face in the dorm when you go to church? Don't they realize they have an obligation to undergird, reinforce and support a fellow Christian who seeks out their fellowship? What do they think Christianity is — a solo flight with Christ? When the Holy Spirit calls us with the gospel, he calls us into a family affair, not a hermit's retreat. Have we been talking so much about what our fellowship principles won't allow us to do that we have ignored what our fellowship in the gospel obligates us to be? No parent relishes the thought of his child being snubbed, ignored or hurt. And I didn't expect it to happen within the fellowship of believers. I was furious!

But then my fury turned to shame, Ben. I wondered how many college students had visited our congregation in the last year. I hadn't introduced myself to a single strange face at any of our Sunday services either. The same judgmental flame-thrower I wanted to point at others would have to be aimed at me. Like the old Pogo cartoon strip put it: "We have met the enemy and the enemy is us!"

My failure can't excuse what others have failed to do, but it does remind me that our recitation of doctrines in the creed has to be more than an academic exercise. Those doctrines are statements of truth which, if taken seriously and thoughtfully, animate our lives.

So please, son, don't give up on that congregation. After all, you are a member of the communion of saints, too. As such you are a follower of Christ who came not to be served, but to serve. The church is going to be only as friendly as Christians are. So the *visiting* Christian has as much an obligation to show Christian love as the *visited* Christian, right?

You can even use some of these obvious imperfections to meet the attacks of the guys in your dorm who called you a "holy Joe" for going to church. Maybe they have the distorted notion that the church is a country club of self-righteous, chest-pounding do-gooders sitting around polishing their halos and bragging about their latest spiritual exploits. Well, don't apologize for being "holy." But let 'em know that we are not holy by virtue of our own piety. As you indicated in your letter, they have seen plenty of your unholiness in the dorm. Use that as a springboard to tell them how God credits Christ's holiness to cover up our unholiness. Don't be afraid to challenge their false stereotypes of the church and to take the offensive. Ask them what they think you do at your church services.

A lot of non-Christians seem to think we parade our righteous virtues and look down our ecclesiastical noses at those sinners who aren't at worship services. Why not admit to them, "Yeah, I am holy. But do you know why I think I am?" When they finish fumbling around with the usual stereotypes of the "goody-two-shoes" Christian, set 'em straight. Let 'em know that Christians are sinners, sinners who admit the shameful truth about themselves — but more! We are sinners who have found forgiveness in Christ, so when we gather to worship we parade his virtues, not our own! We rejoice that the Holy Spirit has called us by the gospel into God's family. We are saints, without apology, because "saints" simply means "those set apart." By his grace, God has separated us from the unbelieving world and worked faith in our hearts. If your critics won't risk finding out that their stereotype of the worship services is narrow-minded and bigoted by attending with you, you may be the only Christian church they visit as you bump into each other in the dorm. Continue to live a life of Christian repentance, steadfastly clinging to Christ, son. As you do, they may have to revise some of their false assumptions about what makes Christians tick. Your witness will at least give them an opportunity to re-examine their need for Christ as they see you openly admitting your need for him, too.

Hang in there. We'll be praying for you. Please do the same for us.

Love from your mother and me,

Dad



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A spina bifida baby, Kristin Zuberbier, 16, is a junior at Wisconsin Lutheran High School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

# Infanticide

*How terrible if by our actions  
we Christians say,  
"Some people matter; others don't."*

by Roland Cap Ehлке

**I**nfanticide, the murder of infants, is nothing new. In Old Testament times the Canaanites sacrificed their children to their gods. Much to God's anger, the Israelites also fell into this practice. "They have built the high places of Topheth in the Valley of Ben Hinnom to burn their sons and daughters in the fire — something I did not command nor did it enter my mind" (Jeremiah 7:31).

The ancient Greeks and Romans killed their deformed infants. Philosophers like Plato and Aristotle encouraged this practice; Roman law forbade rearing deformed children. In the Middle Ages infanticide was common in Europe. Social and ecclesiastical sanctions against unwed mothers and bastard children often drove women to conceal their pregnancies and then kill the unwanted children.

In more recent history Nazi Germany began its terrible mass murders with the killing of mental patients and defective children. This was carried out under the euphemistic "Realm's Committee for Scientific Approach to Severe Illness Due to Heredity and Constitution." According to some sources, infanticide is

widely practiced in modern China. Because of government pressures to have small families, many resort to killing their newborn, especially the girls.

What may come as a surprise is that infanticide is also a reality in our own country. Yes, America — where ninety-five out of a hundred

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people believe in God and most of those profess some faith in Christ.

In October 1973 — ten months after the Supreme Court legalized abortion on demand — the prestigious *New England Journal of Medicine* carried an article entitled "Moral and Ethical Dilemmas in the Special Care Nursery."

In the article two doctors related that of 299 consecutive deaths in a special care nursery 43 — 14 percent — were related to withholding treatment. These 43 babies were not babies who were dying and for whom nothing could be done. Rather, they were not given the medicine and help they needed because they were

abnormal infants. One infant, for example, had Down's syndrome and other complications. Yet even by the doctors' own admission "prognosis was not always exact, and a few children with extensive care might live for months and occasionally years. Some might survive and function satisfactorily." According to a later report, one child whom the two doctors had predicted would be a "vegetable" and whose death they had recommended, turned out to be an A student. Nevertheless, the article concluded, "If working out these dilemmas in ways such as we suggest is in violation of the law, we believe the law should be changed."

Since that time a number of "Baby Doe" cases have come to public attention. The most publicized was Baby Doe of Bloomington, Indiana, in 1982. Because he was born with Down's syndrome, he was let to starve to death in the hospital. It took eight to ten (accounts vary) agonizing days for this infant to die.

One doctor describes "watching a salvageable baby die" as "the most emotionally exhausting experience I know . . . to stand by in the nursery and watch as dehydration and infection wither a tiny being over hours and days . . . is a terrible ordeal for me and for the hospital staff — much more so than for the parents who never set foot in the nursery." He never mentions the infant's ordeal!

Are these rare, isolated incidents? A report by a Boston television station disclosed "evidence of over 100 cases of withholding or withdrawing" medical treatment, including food and water, from handicapped infants. Another study estimates that each year in this country treatment is withheld from about 400 spina bifida babies, that is, infants born with an open spinal column and related problems.

Furthermore, the medical profession seems to favor infanticide of the handicapped newborn. A 1977 survey indicated that 76 percent of the pediatricians polled said they "would acquiesce in not doing simple intestinal blockage surgery in Down's syndrome children." (In the same survey 7.9 percent said the same for

normal children.) The operation in question is almost 100 percent successful and has no aftereffects on the child.

One physician tries to justify infanticide this way. "In comparison with other cases of murder, a minimum of harm is done by it. . . . The victim's mind is not sufficiently developed to enable it to suffer from the contemplations of approaching suffering and death. It is incapable of feeling fear or terror. . . ."

On January 9 of this year the Reagan administration issued regulations which employ local hospital review boards to make decisions regarding handicapped newborns. Since these boards have the power of life or death over children they are sometimes referred to as "God squads." Although the ruling was supposed to oppose infanticide, it may have the opposite effect, depending upon the kind of individuals who get on the hospital "God squads."

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Infanticide in our country is closely linked to the million and a half abortions performed each year. This link becomes especially clear when an aborted baby lives and then is left to starve or perhaps be strangled by the doctor. Abortion and infanticide both spring from a "quality of life" mentality. That is, some lives are not considered quality lives. They are not worth living.

The unwanted, the handicapped, retarded and deformed are among those who don't measure up. The growing attitude is: Better to get rid of them before they are even born. But if they slip by, then it's best to do away with them as soon as they're born.

It's easy to see how a quality-of-life approach can lead from one thing to another. Who will be next? The elderly? The retarded in institutions?

Such "useless eaters," as the Nazis called them, are a great drain on taxpayers.

Our Lord Jesus knows nothing of this mentality. To him *all* life is priceless.

None of us measures up to God's quality-of-life standards. From the time of our conception we are diseased with sin. We are born with hearts poisoned with iniquity, minds set on evil and spirits turned from God. If God were to practice infanticide on the human race, none would have escaped his destruction.

Yet, in Jeremiah's words, "Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail." In his love, God sent his Son. In his grace he gave us life instead of death.

This is God's attitude toward us. It is ours to display toward others. Not just to the pretty boys and girls, the intelligent or talented — but to everyone. We are to love as he has loved us. Our homes and churches must reflect God's love. As Jesus says, "You are the light of the world."

That means we can't close the door on anyone. How terrible if by our actions we Christians say, "Some people matter; others don't. We want to fill our churches with really capable people who have a lot to offer. The others aren't very important to us." To reflect such attitudes is to have adopted the world's quality-of-life standards. Then we can talk all we want about God's love for everyone. And all our talking will be worthless.

No, we must let our light shine — in deed as well as word. And let's pray. God commands us to pray and promises to hear us. Let us pray for mercy. For where but in God's mercy can we escape his wrath?

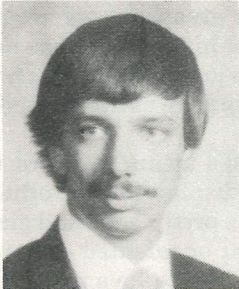
Is it too late for this land of ours, red with the blood of our own children? Already the storm clouds are gathering. □



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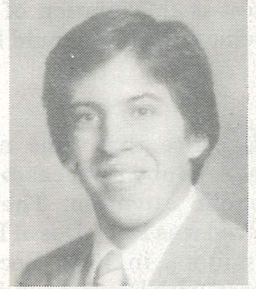
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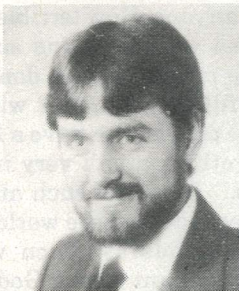
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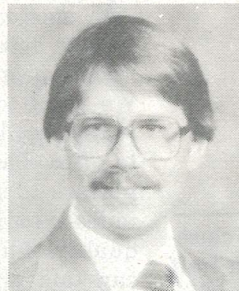
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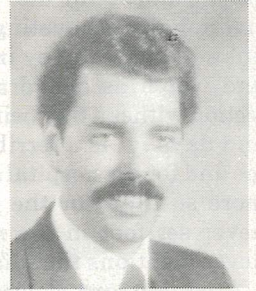
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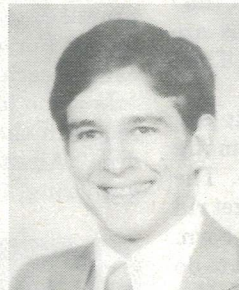
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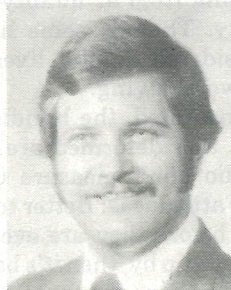
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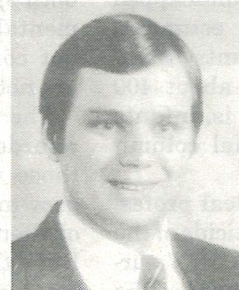
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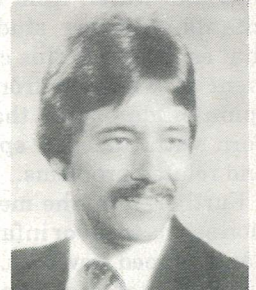
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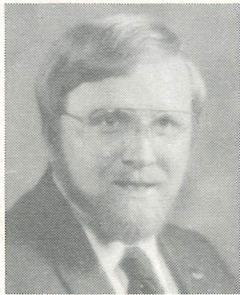


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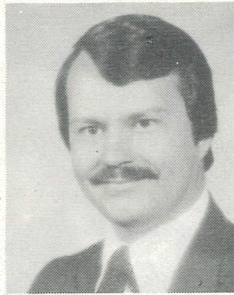




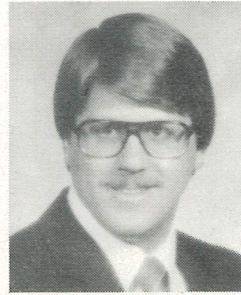
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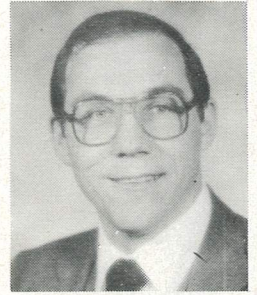
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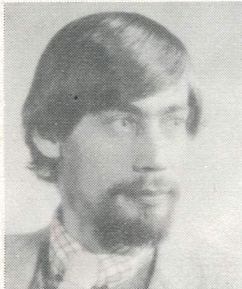
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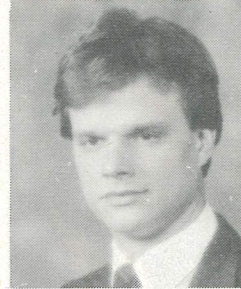
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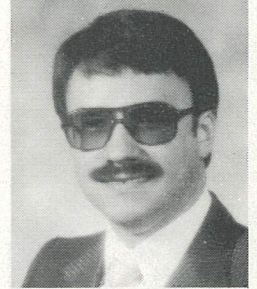
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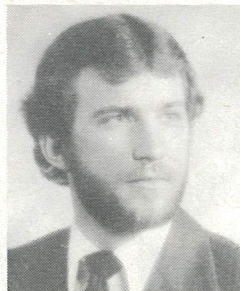
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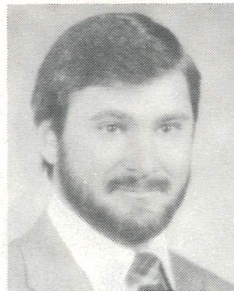
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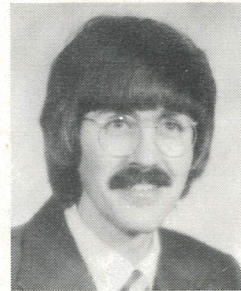
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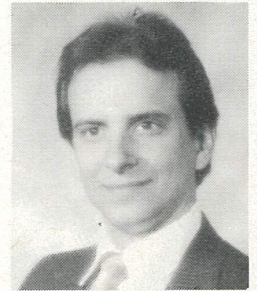
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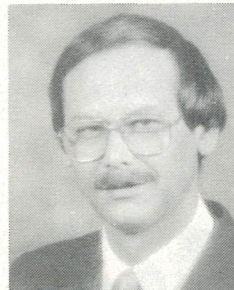
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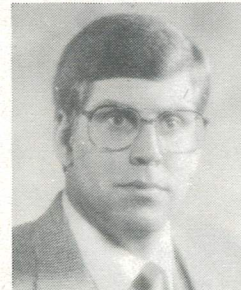
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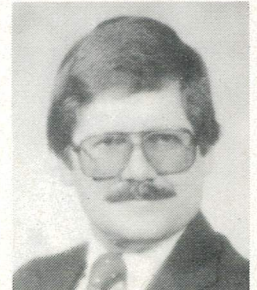
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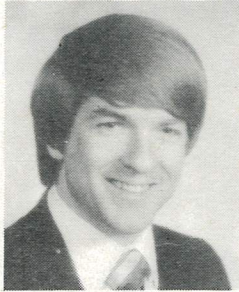
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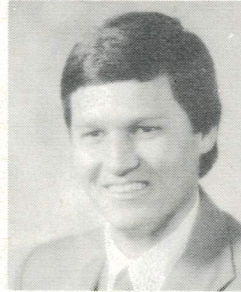
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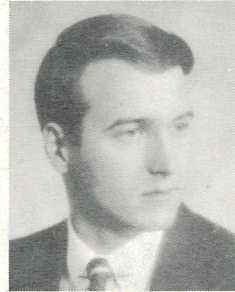
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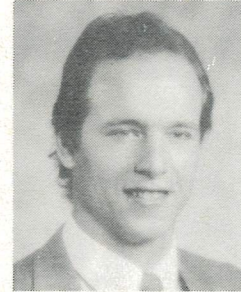
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Crystal Lake, IL  
Grace  
Waupun, WI



**Steven Olson**  
Bangor, WI  
Redeemer  
Hastings, NE



**Greg Otterstatter**  
Milwaukee, WI  
Assistant to Dean  
Dr. Martin  
Luther College  
New Ulm, MN



**Thomas Pankow**  
Appleton, WI  
Instructor  
West Lutheran  
High School  
Hopkins, MN



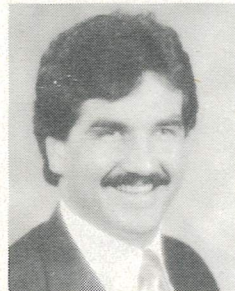
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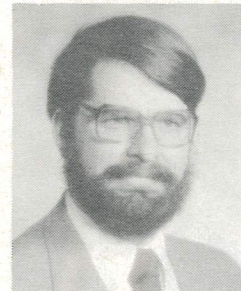
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Bloomington, MN  
St. Peter  
St. Albert, Alberta, Can.



**Kevin Salzwedel**  
Phoenix, AZ  
To be assigned later



**Stephen Sauer**  
Kewaunee, WI  
Travel/Canvass/Witness  
General Board for  
Home Missions



**Jeffrey Schallert**  
Milwaukee, WI  
Mt. Sinai  
Montrose, WI



**Stephen Schlicht**  
Belle Plaine, MN  
St. Paul  
Morris, MN



**Reuben Schmitz**  
Watertown, WI  
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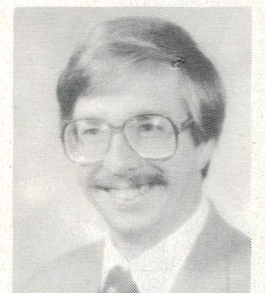
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Goodview Trinity  
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**Martin Schoell**  
Highgate, S. Australia  
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St. John  
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**Winfried Schroeder**  
South Africa  
Returned to South Africa



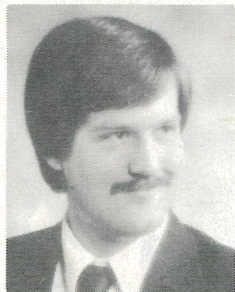
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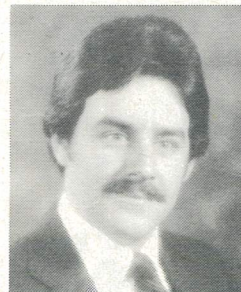
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San Carlos, AZ



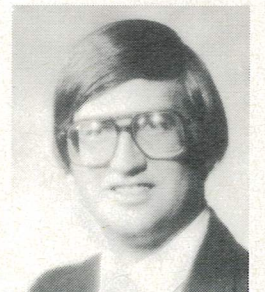
**Gregory Smith**  
Pueblo, CO  
King of Kings  
Willoughby, OH



**Robert Smith**  
Oakfield, WI  
Travel/Canvass/Witness  
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Home Missions



**Scott Spaulding**  
Mequon, WI  
Associate  
Bloomington Lutheran  
Bloomington, MN



**Joel Suckow**  
Wichita Falls, TX  
Bethel, Galesville  
Good Shepherd, Holmen, WI



**Timothy Unke**  
Manitowoc, WI  
Tutor  
Northwestern  
Preparatory School  
Watertown, WI



**Mark Voss**  
Brookfield, WI  
Mt. Olive  
Lincoln, NE



**Richard Warnecke**  
Hokah, MN  
Tutor  
Michigan Lutheran  
Seminary  
Saginaw, MI



**Mark Wilde**  
Escanaba, MI  
Tutor  
Martin Luther  
Preparatory School  
Prairie du Chien, WI



**Jon Wolff**  
Wood Lake, MN  
St. John, Boyd  
Bethany, Granite Falls, MN

## 1983 Graduates

**Joel Lintner**, Hales Corners, WI  
First, Winnett  
Faith, Melstone, MT  
**Paul Zell**, Watertown, WI  
Our Savior, Brookings, SD

## 1982 Graduates

**Thomas Behnke**, Kewaskum, WI  
Exploratory, Hispanic Mission  
Miami, FL  
**William Brassow**, Huntsville, AL  
Exploratory, San Antonio, TX  
**Joel Fredrich**, Mequon, WI  
Hope, St. Charles, MI  
**Keith Free**, Omaha, NE  
Peace of Our Savior, New Carlisle, OH  
**Philip Heyer**, Ft. Wayne, IN  
Associate, King of Kings  
Garden Grove, CA  
**Thomas Nass**, Jefferson, WI  
Assistant, St. Paul  
North Mankato, MN  
**John Ruege**, Bismarck, ND  
Associate, St. Peter  
Schofield, WI

## 1978 Graduate

**Robert Schumann**, Duluth, MN  
Messiah, White Rock, NM

## Reassigned

**Thomas Fricke**, Watertown, WI  
Nebraska Lutheran High School  
Waco, NE  
**Charles Huebner**, Saginaw, MI  
Tutor, Northwestern Preparatory  
School, Watertown, WI  
**Norval Kock, Jr.**, New Ulm, MN  
Nebraska Lutheran High School  
Waco, NE  
**David Kolander**, Montello, WI  
Tutor, Northwestern College  
Watertown, WI  
**Donald Pieper**, LaCrescent, MN  
Instructor, Michigan Lutheran  
Seminary, Saginaw, MI  
**Donald Scheuerlein**, Bay City, MI  
Acting Dean, Michigan Lutheran  
Seminary, Saginaw, MI  
**Donald Seelhoff**, Owosso, MI  
Tutor, Martin Luther Preparatory  
School, Watertown, WI  
**Philip Spaude**, Saginaw, MI  
Tutor, Martin Luther Preparatory  
School, Prairie du Chien, WI

## Senior Vicars

**Ronald Andresen**, Lake Crystal, MN  
St. Paul, Jordan, MN  
**Thomas Biedenbender**, Brillion, WI  
St. John, Juneau, WI  
**Paul Birsching**, Watertown, WI  
Bethlehem, Oshkosh, WI  
**Timothy Buelow**, Mt. Pleasant, WI  
St. Matthew, Benton Harbor, MI  
**Scott Carmichael**, Dakota, MN  
St. John, Burlington, WI  
**John Carter**, Lemont, IL  
St. John, Westland, MI  
**William Carter**, East Jordan, MI  
Christ, N. St. Paul, MN  
**Chris Cordes**, Bend, OR  
St. Paul, Wisconsin Rapids, WI  
**Matthew Crass**, Rock Island, IL  
Christ, Eagle River  
St. John, Phelps, WI  
**Leroy Dux**, Neillsville, WI  
St. Thomas, Phoenix, AZ  
**David Ehlers**, Sterling Hts., MI  
Trinity, Neenah, WI  
**Kenneth Engdahl**, Wunedin, FL  
St. John, Waterloo, WI  
**Gregory Ewald**, Seattle, WA  
St. Paul, North Hollywood, CA  
**Lester Fritz**, West Bend, WI  
St. Paul, Algoma, WI  
**Richard Gurgel**, Fond du Lac, WI  
Grace, St. Joseph, MI  
**John Hartmann**, Crete, IL  
St. Peter, Savannah  
Trinity, Mt. Carroll, IL  
**Ricky Himm**, St. Charles, MI  
Woodlawn, West Allis, WI  
**Phillip Hirsch**, Prairie du Chien, WI  
Latin American Mission, Puerto Rico  
**Jonathan Hohenstein**, Lake City, MN  
St. Luke, Vassar, MI  
**Bruce Janisch**, Richfield, MN  
St. Paul, Ottawa, Ontario, Can.  
**John Kelly**, Monroe, MI  
Bethlehem, Hortonville, WI  
**Gary Koschnitzke**, Milwaukee, WI  
Trinity, Waukesha, WI  
**Daniel Krause**, Brookfield, WI  
Calvary, Dallas, TX  
**Christopher Kruschel**, Port Orange, FL  
Good Shepherd, Omaha, NE  
**Jonathan Ladner**, Bloomington, MN  
Zion, Denver, CO  
**Daniel Marshall**, Flint, MI  
St. John, Baraboo, WI  
**John Miller**, Milwaukee, WI  
St. Martin, Watertown, SD  
**Timothy Mutterer**, Fountain City, WI  
St. John, Markesan, WI  
**Joel Nitz**, Mequon, WI  
Trinity, Caledonia, WI

**Michael Nitz**, Garden Grove, CA  
St. Paul, Columbus, OH  
**Steven Nowicki**, Beaver Dam, WI  
Emmaus, Phoenix, AZ  
**Keith Petersen**, Kenosha, WI  
Immanuel, Medford, WI  
**Leon Piepenbrink**, Tucson, AZ  
Riverview, Appleton, WI  
**Joel Pless**, Naperville, IL  
Immanuel, Waupaca, WI  
**Kelly Pochop**, Aberdeen, SD  
Grace, S. St. Paul, MN  
**Robert Raasch**, Omaha, NE  
St. Mark, Green Bay, WI  
**David Reichel**, Madison, WI  
St. Peter, Plymouth, MI  
**David Rosenbaum**, Saginaw, MI  
St. Stephen, Adrian, MI  
**John Schroeder**, Minot, ND  
St. Matthew, Appleton, WI  
**David Sellnow**, Watertown, WI  
Christ the Lord, Houston TX  
**Steven Soukup**, Madison, WI  
North Trinity, Milwaukee, WI  
**Martin Spaude**, Watertown, WI  
Mt. Olive, Delano, MN  
**Loren Steele**, Seal Beach, CA  
First German, Manitowoc, WI  
**Jon Tesch**, Fond du Lac, WI  
Trinity, Saline, MI  
**Paul Vander Galien**, Randolph, WI  
St. John, Wauwatosa, WI  
**Rodney Warnecke**, Hokah, MN  
Trinity, Bay City, MI  
**David Wenzel**, Menasha, WI  
Mt. Lebanon, Milwaukee, WI  
**Mark Wessel**, New Ulm, MN  
St. Paul, Litchfield, MN  
**Paul Workentine**, Grafton, NE  
St. Peter, Sturgeon Bay, WI  
**Joel Zank**, Schofield, WI  
St. Paul, Cudahy, WI  
**Tim Zarling**, Appleton, WI  
St. John, Bay City, MI  
**William Zeitler**, Pound, WI  
St. Paul, Norfolk, NE

## Summer Vicar Volunteer Assignments

**Paul Henning**  
South Atlantic District  
**David Hussman**  
Trinity, Crete, IL  
**Timothy Mutterer**  
Michigan District  
**Joel Nitz**  
Western Wisconsin District  
**Bradley Ragner**  
California Mission District  
**Tim Zarling**  
Citrus Heights, California

# 147 graduate from DMLC



At a special service on May 19, one hundred forty-seven graduates received bachelor of science in education degrees at Dr. Martin Luther College of New Ulm, Minn. The 1984 graduates are:

Abel, Lois ..... Juneau, WI  
 Abel, Marsha ..... Watertown, WI  
 Akright, Sherie ..... Benton Harbor, MI  
 Barenz, Beth ..... Hartland, WI  
 Bauer, Brenda ..... Columbus, SD  
 Benzel, Susan ..... Fond du Lac, WI  
 Bergemann, Julie ..... Wauwatosa, WI  
 Biedenbender, Rebecca ..... Benton Harbor, MI  
 Bitter, Lynne ..... Fort Atkinson, WI  
 Blievernicht, John ..... Crete, IL  
 Bobholz, Christine ..... Milwaukee, WI  
 Bode, Brenda ..... New Ulm, MN  
 Brendendick, Daniel ..... Neenah, WI  
 Brendahl, Annette ..... St. Charles, MI  
 Brodhagen, Evelyn ..... Bonduel, WI  
 Buchholz, Lisa ..... St. Cloud, WI  
 Ceralo, Michele ..... Milwaukee, WI  
 Cohoon, Wade ..... Denver, CO  
 Davis, Glenn ..... Ann Arbor, MI  
 Eckert, Joyce ..... Greenfield, WI  
 Ehlert, Rachelle ..... Madison, WI  
 Eicksteadt, Barbara ..... Watertown, WI  
 Else, Renee ..... Ixonia, WI  
 Epple, Leonard ..... Montrose, MN  
 Fenske, Glenda ..... Boyd, MN  
 Fickau, Diane ..... Hartland, WI  
 Fischer, Lisa ..... Oshkosh, WI  
 Frailing, Beverly ..... Hubertus, WI  
 Frederickson, Connie ..... Hanska, MN  
 George, David ..... Westland, MI  
 Gronholz, Dawn ..... Appleton, WI  
 Habeck, Dania ..... Oshkosh, WI  
 Hackbarth, Philip ..... New Ulm, MN  
 Hadler, Debra ..... Bylas, AZ  
 Hall, Terri ..... Eau Claire, WI  
 Hanel, Deborah ..... Prior Lake, MN  
 Heinitz, Elizabeth ..... Racine, WI  
 Hirschmann, Craig ..... Milwaukee, WI  
 Horstmann, Ann ..... Manitowoc, WI  
 Jacob, Julie ..... Beaver Dam, WI  
 Kammueler, Gwen ..... Waukesha, WI  
 Kant, Janice ..... Rockford, MN  
 Kell, Karen ..... Watertown, WI  
 Kindt, Janet ..... Iron Mountain, MI  
 Kitzerow, Lynn ..... Woodland, WI  
 Klockziem, Rebecca ..... Saginaw, MI  
 Koeller, Janet ..... Milwaukee, WI  
 Kolander, Donald ..... Appleton, WI  
 Kolbow, Coralee ..... Watertown, WI  
 Kosanke, John ..... Elkhorn, WI  
 Kramer, Kurk ..... Gibbon, MN  
 Krenke, Vicki ..... Fremont, WI  
 Krueger, Rebecca ..... Milwaukee, WI  
 Kuehn, Amy ..... Echo, MN  
 Kutz, Kevin ..... West Bend, WI  
 Lehman, Kenneth ..... Jefferson, WI  
 Lehner, Stacey ..... St. Paul, MN  
 Lemke, Patricia ..... Menomonee Falls, WI  
 Linskens, Donald ..... Appleton, WI  
 Loeck, Rebecca ..... Appleton, WI  
 Loersch, Kevin ..... Howards Grove, WI  
 Loescher, Heidi ..... Morrison, WI  
 Maile, Lisa ..... Chilton, WI

Maliszko, Bonnie ..... Menomonee Falls, WI  
 Mammel, Julie ..... Onalaska, WI  
 Marasch, Christine ..... Mercer, WI  
 Martin, Joseph ..... Benton Harbor, MI  
 Martin, Susan ..... Flagstaff, AZ  
 Matuszak, Jeanne ..... Cudahy, WI  
 Mehnert, Amy ..... Bay City, MI  
 Moeller, Julie ..... Brooklyn Center, MN  
 Monroe, Scott ..... Phoenix, AZ  
 Muehlius, Lynne ..... Lomira, WI  
 Mueller, Sharon ..... Owosso, MI  
 Muench, Jason ..... Fond du Lac, WI  
 Naatz, Lori ..... Johnson Creek, WI  
 Nehls, Richard ..... Hustisford, WI  
 Neujahr, James ..... Appleton, WI  
 Pantazon, Susie ..... Pewaukee, WI  
 Pechin, Rosemarie ..... Lodi, CA  
 Pieper, Timothy ..... West St. Paul, MN  
 Polensky, Lynn ..... Watertown, WI  
 Price, Kathleen ..... Franklin, WI  
 Putz, Judy ..... Fond du Lac, WI  
 Quam, Lisa ..... Watertown, WI  
 Quast, JaNel ..... Neillsville, WI  
 Radue, Craig ..... Neenah, WI  
 Rahn, James ..... Appleton, WI  
 Rebers, Robert ..... Wood Lake, MN  
 Reckzin, Dawn ..... Nepean, Ont., Can.  
 Richmond, Brenda ..... Rockland, WI  
 Richter, Connie ..... Oak Creek, WI  
 Rodewald, Lee ..... New Ulm, MN  
 Rohde, Susan ..... Ripon, WI  
 Rosenbaum, Kurt ..... Saginaw, MI  
 Rosenthal, Janet ..... West Bend, WI  
 Rubin, Catherine ..... Phoenix, AZ  
 Ruhland, Ellen ..... West Allis, WI  
 Russell, Crystal ..... Waukegan, IL  
 Russert, Dawn ..... Caledonia, MN  
 Salzwedel, Mitchel ..... Phoenix, AZ  
 Sauer, Elise ..... Kewaunee, WI  
 Sawall, Ramona ..... Selatun Jakarta, Indonesia  
 Schaffer, Alan ..... Wayne, MI  
 Scharf, William ..... Oakfield, WI

Schilling, Debra ..... Akaska, SD  
 Schmeichel, Janette ..... Freeman, SD  
 Schoennauer, Sandra ..... Mankato, MN  
 Schroeder, Keith ..... Marinette, WI  
 Schulz, Eileen ..... Iron Ridge, WI  
 Schwandt, Renae ..... Watertown, SD  
 Shoop, Henry ..... Phoenix, AZ  
 Siewert, Karen ..... Mountlake Terrace, WA  
 Smith, Roger ..... Perry, MI  
 Solofra, Joan ..... Burlington, WI  
 Spangenberg, Jeffrey ..... New Ulm, MN  
 Spaude, Rebecca ..... Saginaw, MI  
 Spettel, Lydia ..... Ashippun, WI  
 Stechmann, Jodi ..... Zumbrota, MN  
 Stieg, Julie ..... Grand Forks, ND  
 Tabbert, Cheryl ..... Helena, MT  
 Tesch, Deon ..... Appleton, WI  
 Tews, Deborah ..... Bay City, MI  
 Thiel, Daniel ..... Muskego, WI  
 Thomas, Tara ..... Appleton, WI  
 Timm, Rollin ..... Wood Lake, MN  
 Tracy, Daniel ..... Jefferson, WI  
 Unke, Lori ..... New Ulm, MN  
 Volz, Denise ..... Phoenix, AZ  
 Volz, Lauri ..... Cedarburg, WI  
 Voss, Carolyn ..... Brookfield, WI  
 Watchke, Kristy ..... Blaine, MN  
 Wegner, Tamara ..... Van Dyne, WI  
 Wenzel, Amy ..... Menasha, WI  
 Westerhaus, Judy ..... Watertown, WI  
 Wetzel, Judy ..... Milwaukee, WI  
 Whittier, Karen ..... Kenosha, WI  
 Wilkens, Ellyn ..... West Bend, WI  
 Williams, Brian ..... Appleton, WI  
 Willitz, Julie ..... Spring Valley, WI  
 Wilsman, Kathy ..... Two Rivers, WI  
 Winter, Janice ..... Otsego, MI  
 Witte, Glorianne ..... Wauwatosa, WI  
 Wolff, Karen ..... Pardeeville, WI  
 Yorkson, Debra ..... Waupaca, WI  
 Zank, Ellen ..... Juneau, WI  
 Zuberbier, Charlotte ..... Milwaukee, WI

# 51 graduate from Northwestern College



On May 16, fifty-one graduates of Northwestern College at Watertown, Wis. received their bachelor of arts degrees. The following are members of the 1984 college graduating class:

Adams, Brian ..... Brown Deer, WI  
 Bartz, James ..... Waterloo, WI  
 Bentz, Martin ..... New Ulm, MN  
 Brokmeier, Kenneth ..... Ft. Atkinson, WI  
 Carter, Roger ..... East Jordan, MI  
 Cherney, Kenneth ..... Wauwatosa, WI  
 Drews, Joel ..... Hudson, WI  
 Foley, Michael ..... Garden Grove, CA  
 Gass, Mark ..... Appleton, WI  
 Hankwitz, Robert ..... Fond du Lac, WI  
 Horn, Alan ..... Omaha, NE  
 Hughes, Randall ..... Jefferson, WI  
 Jeffers, Gary ..... Prescott, AZ  
 Johnston, Thomas ..... Beverly Hills, FL  
 Klatt, Dennis ..... Menomonie, WI  
 Koch, Henry ..... Cleveland, WI  
 Krohn, Jud ..... Wausau, WI  
 Kuske, Jonathan ..... Mequon, WI  
 Licht, Scott ..... New Ulm, MN  
 Lisk, Kevin ..... Appleton, WI  
 Loux, Randy ..... Mazomanie, WI

Mann, Kenley ..... Wayne, NE  
 Manthey, James ..... Watertown, WI  
 Mose, Larry ..... Chesaning, MI  
 Mosher, Scott ..... Webberville, MI  
 Paustian, Mark ..... Watertown, WI  
 Poetter, Timothy ..... Mito, Japan  
 Prange, Paul ..... Janesville, WI  
 Raasch, Charles ..... West Allis, WI  
 Rakos, Joel ..... Anchorage, AK  
 Rockhoff, Roger ..... Tawas City, MI  
 Sargent, Daniel ..... Green Bay, WI  
 Schaefer, Paul ..... Chesterfield, MO  
 Schoeneck, Timothy ..... Rhinelander, WI  
 Schuerman, William ..... Grants Pass, OR  
 Schutz, Kevin ..... Milwaukee, WI  
 Siemers, Ronald ..... Des Moines, IA  
 Smith, Joel ..... Oconomowoc, WI  
 Soukup, Timothy ..... Madison, WI  
 Sprain, John ..... Denver, CO  
 Spriggs, Martin ..... Loomis, CA  
 Straseske, Anthony ..... Reeseville, WI  
 Tetzlaff, Allen ..... Milwaukee, WI  
 Thierfelder, Timothy ..... W. Palm Beach, FL  
 Thomford, Joel ..... Zumbrota, MN  
 Timmermann, Robert ..... Wauwatosa, WI  
 Turany, Michael ..... Phoenix, AZ  
 Voigt, Kelly ..... Sun Prairie, WI  
 Voss, Joel ..... Green Bay, WI  
 Wenzel, Mark ..... West Allis, WI  
 Westra, Charles ..... Beaver Dam, WI

## The Christian and his country

Speakers at Independence Day programs this month will exhort us to become more involved in government, a must if democracy is to work. They will be addressing every citizen, believer and unbeliever alike.

There is, however, another contribution which only Christians can make to their country. This is how Paul expresses it, "Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe as you hold out the Word of life" (Philippians 2:14-16).

Believers have a greater obligation than voting, running for public office, and writing letters to their congressman; a greater obligation than moaning and groaning and wringing their hands in despair over all that is wrong with our country. Any citizen can do that, even one who has never heard of Jesus Christ.



Someone has commented, "The trouble with Christians today is that no one hates them anymore." I suppose the person was saying that the line which separates the Christian from the unbeliever is often so blurred that it's hard to tell the difference. Christ did not tell us to get out of the world, not even one that's crooked and depraved. We're to remain in it

without, however, becoming part of it. God leaves us in it so that we may, by word and example, hold out the Word of life which alone saves souls.

Few of us will ever occupy an office on the state or national level. If we do, we may be surprised how little influence we really have. Just to get there may have cost us so many promises that our effectiveness has been impaired. Besides, the rule of law only preserves order: it doesn't save souls or change hearts.

"Christians are the people," Luther writes, "for whose sake God spares the entire world. If there were no Christians on earth, no city or country would enjoy peace. Men must thank the Christians for the fact that grain still grows in their fields, that people get well, and enjoy their livelihood, peace and protection."

This Independence Day, as every day, is a time for repentance, a time to acknowledge that it is only because of God's mercy that we have not been destroyed long ago. And we would be remiss if we did not recognize the unique contribution we can make to our country, by living as children of God, blameless and pure, in a crooked and depraved generation, as we hold out the Word of life, the gospel of Jesus Christ, which alone can save their souls and ours.

*Carl H. Mischke*

## In the news

### New administration offices near completion

The new administration offices of the Synod at 2929 N. Mayfair Rd., Milwaukee, are nearing completion. Since February all the departments of the Synod are located in the new offices.

During the first two weeks in May the furnishings and partitions in the open offices on the second and third levels were installed. The furniture for the closed offices of the president and executive secretaries has been ordered with delivery promised in three months.

The date for the dedication of the new offices has not as yet been set. According to President Mischke, it will "probably be sometime in September when the furnishings of the offices will be complete."

The remodeling and furnishing of the new office building was supervised by a building committee appointed by the Board of Trustees. Serving on the committee were Robert J. Voss, chairman; Elton H. Huebner, secretary; Harold Peckham; Theodore A. Sauer; and Ronald H. Meier, advisory.

### Illinois

#### Anniversary celebrated

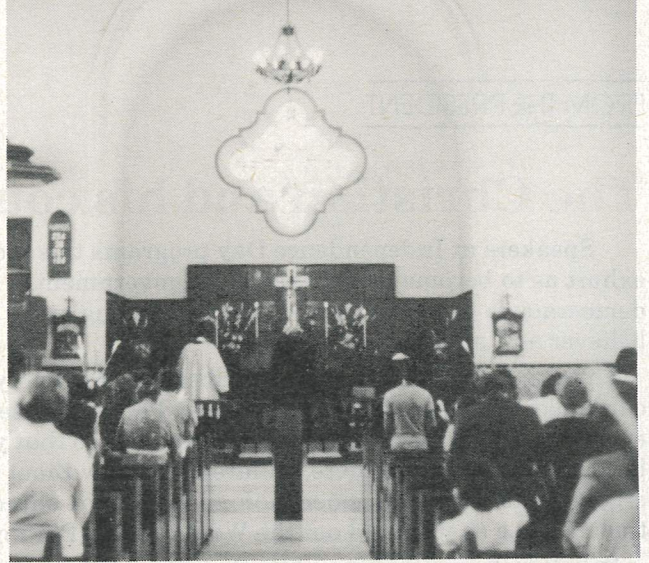
On October 23, 1983, St. Paul of Round Lake celebrated the 40th anniversary of its pastor, Martin C. Lopahs in the ministry. Guest speaker at the special service was a son, Pastor Martin J. Lopahs.

A banquet followed the service at which the congregation presented Pastor and Mrs. Lopahs with a gift of a tour of Lutherland. In June the congregation had celebrated the 40th wedding anniversary of Pastor and Mrs. Lopahs.

Lopahs graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, in 1943. He served parishes in Sinton and Refugio, Texas and Cicero, Illinois before coming to St. Paul in 1960.



**A MORTGAGE-BURNING WAS CELEBRATED** on Palm Sunday at Grace, Muskegon, Mich. The mortgage on the school, built in 1964, was retired. A special service marked the occasion. At a dinner following the service the mortgage was burned. Watching are (left to right) James Schneck, principal; Larry Stebbins, president; William K. Hein, pastor; and Floyd Wood and Don Hoenecke, instrumental in the building and operation of the school.



**SANTA CRUZ LUTHERAN CHURCH** of Monterrey, Mexico, an independent congregation, was recently received into membership of the Confessional Evangelical Lutheran Church of Mexico, a WELS sister mission church. The church with 100 confirmed members is served by Pastor Daniel Perez. There are four other congregations in the CELC.

## Looking back

from The Northwestern Lutheran

### 50 years ago . . .

Twenty-five candidates were graduated at Thiensville (Mequon), Wis. on June 7. The venerable dean of the theological faculty, Prof. Aug. Pieper, delivered the address. Five candidates were assigned calls. The rest, it is hoped, will be placed as openings develop.

### 25 years ago . . .

The Twin City Lutheran High School Association of the St. Paul-Minneapolis area, has broken ground for the first unit of the new St. Croix Lutheran High School building. It will house an anticipated enrollment of 70 students.

### 10 years ago . . .

The recent *Christian Herald* favorite hymn poll indicates that "How Great Thou Art," is far and away the religious song the readers find "most meaningful." It received almost twice as many votes as its nearest competitor, "The Old Rugged Cross." "Amazing Grace" took third place in voting that named a total of 492 religious songs. Four hymns in our hymnal gained places in the top ten. They are: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," "Rock of Ages," "Abide With Me," and "A Mighty Fortress."

## NOTICES

The deadline for submitting items for publication is five weeks before the date of issue

## CHANGES IN MINISTRY

### PASTORS:

**Dusek, Michael C.**, from Amazing Grace, Taylor, Mich., to Prince of Peace, Yuma, Ariz.  
**Piepenbrink, Fredric E.**, from St. John, St. John's Antigua, W.I., to Atonement (associate), Milwaukee, Wis.

### TEACHERS:

**Beatrice, Monica R.**, from Peridot Mission, Peridot, Ariz., to Good Shepherd, Phoenix, Ariz.  
**Beatrice, Joseph S.**, from Peridot Mission, Peridot, Ariz., to Good Shepherd, Phoenix, Ariz.  
**Brummund, Susan L.**, from St. Matthew, Winona, Minn., to St. John, Redwood Falls, Minn.  
**Buege, James L.**, from Trinity, Minocqua, Wis., to Zion, Columbus, Wis.  
**Freese, Marilyn**, from inactive to St. Paul, Plymouth, Neb.  
**Haferman, Faith E.**, from Trinity, Brillion, Wis., to Immanuel, Waukegan, Ill.  
**Hahnke, Karlynn A.**, from Zion, Valentine, Neb., to Beautiful Savior, Milwaukee, Wis.  
**Hanke, Lynda L.**, from Salem, Loretto, Minn., to St. John, Caledonia, Minn.  
**Jacobson, Lois**, from inactive to St. Jacobi, Greenfield, Wis.  
**Koch, Susan M.**, from Grace, Geneva, Neb., to St. John, Fox Lake, Wis.  
**Lauber, Keith D.**, from Nebraska Lutheran High School, Waco, Neb., to Winnebago Lutheran Academy, Fond du Lac, Wis.  
**Meihack, Marc J.**, from St. Paul, Columbus, Ohio, to St. Matthew, Milwaukee, Wis.  
**Peterson, Cynthia**, from inactive to Calvary, Dallas, Tex.  
**Reid, Marlys**, from inactive to St. Paul, Menomonie, Wis.  
**Schmoldt, Clifford J.**, from St. Paul, Round Lake, Ill., to Christ, Milwaukee, Wis.  
**Sebald, Natalie**, from inactive to Zion, South Milwaukee, Wis.  
**Tabak, Mark**, from Emanuel, Flint, Mich., to St. Paul First, North Hollywood, Calif.  
**Wastrack, Donna E.**, from Zion, Rhinelander, Wis., to Trinity, Nicollet, Minn.  
**Whitney, Daniel E.**, from Good Shepherd, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., to Risen Savior, Milwaukee, Wis.

## ADDRESSES

### PASTORS:

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**Notlling, David A.**, 107 White Owl Lane, Port Richey, FL 33568.  
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**Schalow, Douglas A.**, 1735 Forest Ave., PO Box 168, Wabeno, WI 54566; 715/473-5633.  
**Sternberg, David H.**, 314 W. Prospect, Rhinelander, WI 54501.  
**Wietzke, William H.**, 2238 Central St. #1, Evanston, IL 60201.  
**TEACHER:**  
**Schroeder, Elroy J.**, 663 Ellis St., Fond du Lac, WI 54935.

### FALL PASTORS' INSTITUTE

The 1984 pastors' institute at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary will be conducted on a series of Monday afternoons beginning September 24. Sessions will be held in the multi-purpose room in the library basement from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. The program is as follows:

Sermon Studies on the Creed:

Prof. Martin Albrecht

The Doctrine of Justification in

the Light of Present Problems:

Prof. Leroy A. Dobberstein

Send registrations to President Armin W. Schuetze, 11831N Seminary Dr., Mequon, WI 53092. Fee is \$7.50.

Paul A. Manthey, Secretary  
 Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary  
 Board of Control

### SUMMER WORKSHOP For Teachers

A summer workshop for all classroom teachers will be held August 1 at Wisconsin Lutheran High School, Milwaukee, Wis. from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The fee for a faculty is \$10.00 or for an individual \$3.00. Send registration to Ardis Koeller, 6098 N. 35th St., Milwaukee, WI 53209.

### COLLOQUY

In a colloquy conducted on May 13, 1984, Pastor Benjamin C. Lorenz of Plainview, Tex., was found to be in confessional agreement with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. He is recommended to Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, Wis., for a year of study.  
 First Vice President Gerald E. Free  
 Professor Wilbert R. Gawrisch  
 District President Vilas R. Glaeske

### REQUEST FOR COLLOQUY

Pastor Delmar Harders, Pittsburg, Kansas, formerly a pastor in the Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod, has requested a colloquy for the purpose of entering the pastoral ministry of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Correspondence relative to the request should be addressed to the undersigned.

Gerald E. Free, President  
 Nebraska District

### ADMINISTRATOR NEEDED

The Martin Luther Memorial Home Association of Michigan is searching for an administrator for its newly acquired home in South Haven, Mich. Any member of our Synod who would be interested in receiving information and an application form for the position please contact Rev. Karl J. Otto, Executive Administrator, MLMH Inc., 305 Elm Place, South Lyon, MI 48178.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

All correspondence addressed to administration, students and staff of Michigan Lutheran Seminary should be sent to the school's new address: 2777 Hardin St., Saginaw, MI 48602.  
 The change of address is necessary because of construction at the school.

### ONE ISSUE

There is one issue of The Northwestern Lutheran in July. The next issue will be dated August 1, 1984.

### 135TH ANNIVERSARY

Grace, Milwaukee, Wis., will observe the 135th anniversary of its founding on October 7 with special services at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Professor Armin J. Panning of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary will be guest speaker. A potluck dinner will follow the services and an afternoon program is also being planned. Former members and friends are cordially invited to attend. For further information contact the church office, 1209 N. Broadway, Milwaukee, WI 53202; 414/271-3006.

### 75TH ANNIVERSARY

St. Paul's of Montrose, Minn., will celebrate the 75th anniversary of its founding on August 26 with services at 10:15 a.m. (Pastor Martin Schwartz preaching) and 2:30 p.m. (Pastor Thomas Westendorf preaching). Pastors Marvin Hanke, Alfred Hertler, Alvin Schultz and Robert Sievert, former pastors of St. Paul's, will serve as liturgists. Dinner at noon and lunch after the second service will be served. Former members, confirmands and friends are cordially invited to attend. For further information call Pastor Robert Hellmann, 612/675-3201.

### 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Mount Calvary, San Jose, Calif., will celebrate its 25th anniversary as a Christian congregation and the 14th as a WELS congregation on Sunday, July 15, at 4:00 p.m. A light meal and reception will follow. Former members, confirmands and friends are cordially invited to attend. For further information contact Mount Calvary, 1555 S. White Rd., San Jose, CA 95127.

### LABOR DAY RETREAT

Faith, Pittsfield, Mass. will host a Labor Day weekend family retreat in the Berkshire Hills of Mass. In addition to devotions and Bible study, there will be fun fellowship activities including canoeing, sailing, swimming, volleyball, softball and campfire singalongs. For further information please contact Pastor Mark M. Schulz, 885 Holmes Rd., Pittsfield, MA 01201.

### ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE

Messiah of South Windsor, Conn., will provide fortnight accommodations for unemployed WELS adults 20 and over who may wish to pursue work in the current highly favorable Hartford job market. For information contact Pastor Curtis J. Holub, 300 Buckland Rd., South Windsor, CT 06074; 203/644-2110.

### SERVICES FOR THE DEAF

Services for the deaf are being held at Emmaus Lutheran, 3841 W. Sweetwater Ave., Phoenix AZ 84029, each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in conjunction with regular worship. If you know of anyone living in the Phoenix area who is hearing impaired, please contact Pastor David Gray, 12035 N. 40th Ave., Glendale, AZ 85304; 602/938-4245.

### THE WORLD IS COMING TO NEW ORLEANS

If you are planning to attend the 1984 World's Fair (mid-May to mid-November) in New Orleans, Louisiana, Crown of Life Lutheran (15 minutes east of the fairgrounds) invites you to join us for Sunday worship at 10:00 a.m. To confirm time, obtain directions, or receive transportation, contact Pastor Mark Bitter, 9781 W. Rockton Circle, New Orleans, LA 70127; 504/242-3442.

### NORTHWOODS SERVICES

Visitors to the northwoods will be interested to know that services at Christ, Eagle River, Wis. and St. John, Phelps, Wis. will be conducted on a new time schedule. Services at Christ will be held at 7:00 p.m. Saturday and 8:00 and 10:45 a.m. Sunday. Services at St. John will be held at 9:15 a.m. Sunday.

### CHANGE OF TIME OR PLACE OF WORSHIP

in the following exploratory areas or mission congregations.

**WASILLA, ALASKA** — King of Kings, above Brady's Floor Covering, Mile 44 Parks Hwy, Wasilla. 10:00 a.m.; Bible class/SS 9:00 a.m. (Summer schedule worship at 9:00). Pastor Rick Johnson, P.O. Box 872767, Wasilla, AK 99687; 907/376-7771.

**MISSISSAUGA (TORONTO AREA), ONTARIO, CANADA** — Divine Peace, 26 Ann Street, Mississauga. 10:30 a.m.; Bible class/SS 9:30 a.m. Pastor Roy W. Hefti, 1051 Cedarglen Gate #39, Mississauga, Ontario L5C 3A7; 416/272-4835.

**GROTON, CONNECTICUT** — Worship for military and relocated WELS members will be held during the summer on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. at Dolphin Community Center, Route 12, Groton. For further information contact Pastor Curtis J. Holub, 300 Buckland Rd., South Windsor, CT 06074; 203/644-2110.

**SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI** — Zion, Red Cross Building, 1730 E. Portland, Springfield. For information contact Mr. Jentsch, 417/883-7139 or Mr. Hanson, 417/882-6910.

**PINEHURST, TEXAS** — Abiding Faith, 33133 F.M. 149, Pinehurst. 10:00 a.m.; Bible class/SS 9:00 a.m. Pastor Gordon Waterman, 14007 Crescent Drive, Tomball, TX 77375; 713/351-8001.

**SUGAR LAND/STAFFORD/MISSOURI CITY, TEXAS** — Redeeming Grace, Missouri City Fire Station, 1523 F.M. 2234, Missouri City. 11:00 a.m.; Bible class/SS 10:00 a.m. Pastor Mark Barenz, 1807 Trinity Station, Sugar Land, TX 77478; 713/980-4632.

### NAMES WANTED

Survey work preliminary to conducting exploratory services. People interested in WELS services, contact pastor noted.

**ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO** — Also Mescalero and Ruidoso area. Pastor Steven Blumer, 10232 Singapore Dr., El Paso, TX 79925; 915/594-0556.

**PINEHURST, TEXAS** — Pastor Gordon Waterman, 14007 Crescent Drive, Tomball, TX 77375; 713/351-8001.

### LUTHERAN SCIENCE INSTITUTE CANAL 85

The LSI extends an invitation to WELS persons interested in joining a group to relax, study geology, fossils, history and take photographs of the English Canals. Narrowboats will be chartered, each carrying four couples. These self-driven boats, 60 feet long, are equipped with diesel engines, hot and cold water, shower, stove, heater, TV, etc. The group will depart from Coventry following three loops during three weeks after June 2, 1985. All or any part of this time may be selected and costs will be prorated. The tour will always be within two hours of land so a Britrail pass would be a saving. For more details contact the directors before December 31, 1984 at Lutheran Science Institute, 10317 -195th Ave., Bristol, WI 53104; 414/857-2089.

### CIVILIAN CHAPLAINS

<b>Rev. Richard A. Froehlich</b>	<b>Rev. Lee A. Neujahr</b>
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*October 2:*

Today my life began. My parents do not know it yet. I am as small as the pollen of a flower, but it is I already. I will be a girl. I will have blond hair and blue eyes. Nearly everything is settled already — even that I shall love birds.

*October 19:*

I have grown a little, but I am still too small to do anything by myself. My mother does everything for me, although she still does not know that she is carrying me under her heart. But I am a real person just as a crumb of bread is still bread. My mother exists and I do, too.

*October 23:*

My mouth is just now beginning to open. Just think — in a year or so I'll be laughing, and later I'll start to talk. My first word will be "mama."

*October 25:*

Today my heart began to beat. It will beat softly for the rest of my life, never stopping. After many years it will tire and stop. Then I shall die.

*November 2:*

I am growing continually. My arms and legs are taking shape, but I must wait a long time before these tiny legs will raise me to my mother's arms; before these little arms will be able to conquer the earth and befriend people.

*November 12:*

Tiny fingers are beginning to form on my hands. How small they are. One day I'll stroke my mother's hair and tell her how nice she is.

*November 25:*

My mother and father are probably thinking about a name for me. And they don't even know that I am a little girl, so they are probably calling me "Andy." But I want to be called Barbara. I am growing so big.

*December 10:*

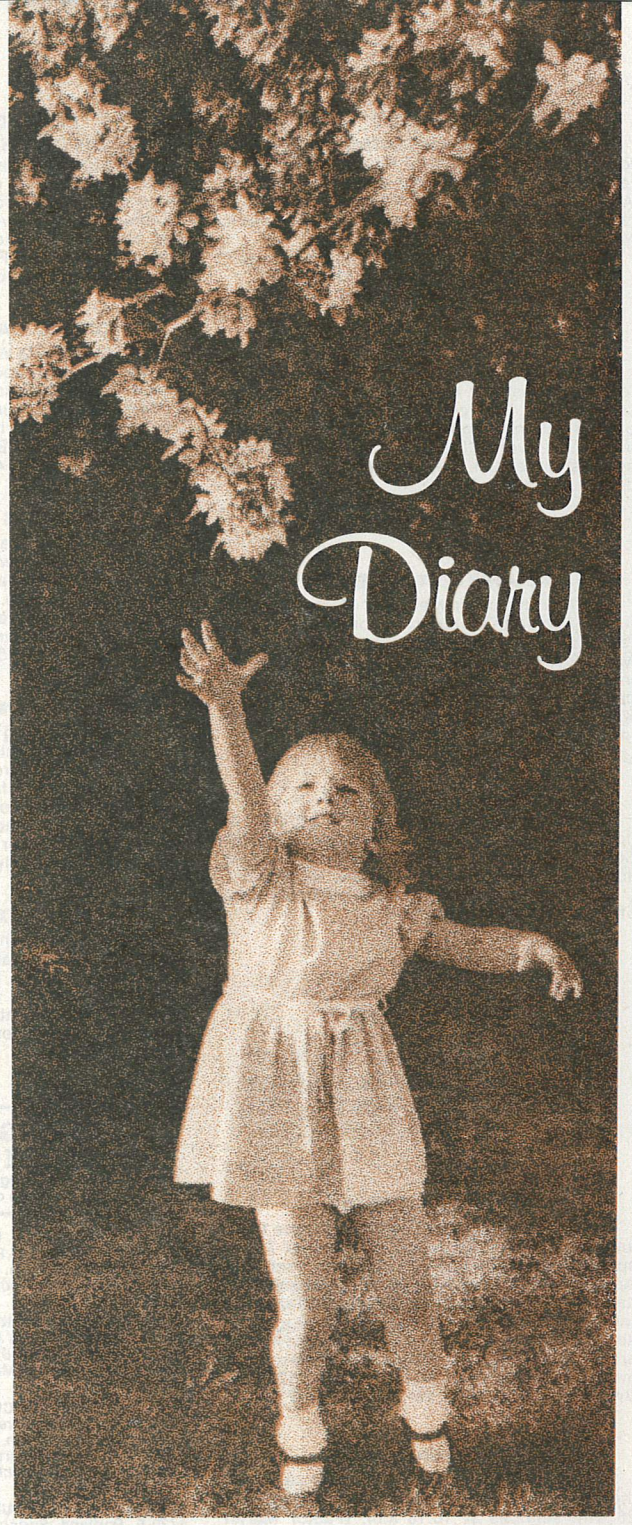
My hair is growing. It is as bright and shiny as the sun. I wonder what kind of hair my mother has.

*December 13:*

My eyes are almost fully developed, although the lids are still shut. When Mother brings me into the world it will be full of sunshine and overflowing with flowers. I have never seen a flower, you know, but more than anything I want to see my mother. How do you look, Mother?

*December 24:*

My fingers and toes are fully formed. Even my nails are beginning to develop.



*December 26:*

I wonder if my mother hears the delicate beat of my heart? Some children are born with sickly hearts, and then the gentle fingers of the doctor perform miracles to make them healthy. But my heart is healthy. It beats so evenly; tup-tup, tup-tup. You shall have a healthy daughter, Mother.

*December 26:*

Today my mother killed me.

*Available in tract from Faith, Prayer & Tract League, Grand Rapids, MI 49504.*