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INTERNATIONAL LUTHERAN DEAF ASSOCIATION

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5th Biennial Convention

Memphis, Tennessee

June 21 - 24, 1979

"Therefore, go and make desciples in all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

"And then teach these new desciples to obey all the commandments I have given you and be sure of this. That I am with you always even to the end of the world."

Matthew 28: 19, 20

Listening Eyes & Believing Hearts p. 43

GO AND TELL

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The theme of this convention is <u>GO AND TELL</u>. The idea, we have been made Christians by God's love and by Jesus dying on the cross. This is the Gospel--Good News.

The Bible says, "This is good and it pleases God our Savior, Who wants everyone to be saved and to come to know the truth." (p. 315) But how can the deaf people know about God the Savior? Someone needs to be sent. Someone needs to <u>GO AND</u> <u>TELL</u>. Let us thank Him for this important work He gives us.

This convention is important. We have received a Bible printed for deaf people. On the inside of the front cover is printed a list of Bible verses with page numbers. This will help us find important verses of God's Word. These Words tell us God is our Savior.

During this convention we also have two pastors. They will help us learn how to <u>GO AND TELL</u> other deaf people about Jesus.

We begin by asking God to send His Holy Spirit to come upon us. The Holy Spirit will give us strong faith and courage to <u>GO AND TELL</u>.

God's Blessings To You.

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ETERNAL MERCY LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR THE DEAF

2323 MONROE AVENUE MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE 38104

Phone 274-2727

June 19, 1979

Dear ILDA Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

"How can we thank God enough for you and for the joy and delight you have given us in our praying for you?" (3:9 p. 308) This Bible verse from 1 Thessatonians helps us to express our joy. We are filled with joy to serve you as host for the 5th Biennial Convention of ILDA.

After ILDA decided to have the convention in Memphis, the Rev. Don Leber accepted a call. Vicar Mark Seeger then had to begin the planning. Vicar Seeger (now Pastor Seeger) neturned to the Seminary after the Rev. David S. Bush came to Memphis to be pastor to his first church. Inspite of Memphis having people with little experience in ILDA, God gave us strength and direction. God gave us people to advise and counsel us.

Now we thank God and pray you enjoy your stay with us. We pray this ILDA meeting will be a blessing to you and to those you G<u>O</u> AND TELL.

WELCOME TO MEMPHIS

Eternally yours,

Convention Committee

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The Rev. David S. Bush. Pastor

June 19, 1979

RIVERMONT Holiday Drun:

Dear Convention Delegates,

On behalf of the managment team and the entire staff of the Holiday Inn -Rivermont, it is our distinct pleasure to welcome the members of the 5th Biennial International Lutheran Deaf Association to the 1979 convention here in Memphis.

It is our sincere desire that your visit with us be a memorable and enjoyable one and that your goals and aspirations become a reality.

You are to be congratulated for your fine endeavors and we are honored to host your convention and to have you as our guests.

Sincerely,

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Jay Incorvati, Innkeeper and the entire staff of the Holiday Inn-Rivermont

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Shelby County Government William N. Morris, Jr., Mayor

June 11, 1979

Dear Members of the International Lutheran Deaf Association:

On behalf of the 800,000 citizens of Memphis and Shelby County, Tennessee, I wish to welcome you to our community on this occasion of your fifth annual convention.

I am pleased that you selected Memphis as this year's site for your annual convention. We are proud to host the International Lutheran Deaf Association which has done so much for the promotion of organizations and opportunities for the hearing-impaired. Your visit to our county affords our citizens the chance to become acquainted with one of the largest religious deaf organizations in the world and also gives them the chance to learn about programs being developed to aid the citizens of our county and our country who are hearing-impaired.

Best wishes for a successful and memorable convention.

Sincerely,

Morris,

Shelby County Mayor

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THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS INTERNATIONAL LUTHERAN DEAF ASSOCIATION FIFTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION JUNE 19 - 24, 1979

Good Day, Brethrens!

Everyone needs Jesus in this Life. We pray for 1) Physical Needs: Matt. 6:11, ..."Give us this day our daily Bread." 2) Peace of Mind: Matt. 9:2, ..."Take heart my son, your sins are forgiven." 3) Security: Phil. 4:19, ..."My God shall supply all my Needs." 4) Happiness: John '16:24, ..."Ask and you will receive that your Joys may be full."

Make no doubt, all of you here today can rejoice with me, the intimate feelings that has encouraged me to uphold the goals of ILDA, and the Office of the Association. It has been very challenging; at times, frustrating, but the Faith and Hope from above never waned. Praise Him!

1977, Spokane was the Day that was! The day, altho having served on this Board previously, and with a long background of experience in other areas of work, gave me new heights and inspirations... never before dreamed of, to take charge of an INTERNATIONAL Association.

Just a reminder, friends: First ILDA Convention (Chicago, 1971) with its emphasizing theme - "Forward with Christ"; Second, 1973 (Kansas City, Mo.)... "Sharing Love in Christ," where 400 attended; Third, 1975 (Washington, D.C.)..."New Life," and today, Fifth (Memphis)... "Go, Tell." <u>GO</u> preach and teach all Nations; <u>TELL</u> about Jesus and His Love!

During the past two years, YOUR Board has taken the task to put its best foot forward of which I personally can justly be happy, if not, most encouraging, and cooperatively in an invisible way. However, COMMUNICATION has been and will be our number one problem in carrying out our program more effectively... due to element of distance and slow process of human capability.

BCARD MEETINGS: This area has been good with an over-all attendance near ninety-five percent. Committee reports have shown up to par. More reports are needed between ILDA Vice Presidents and the Regions. Problem: Regions meet once per year; ILDA Board, twice. Result: No report from Regional Presidents on either ILDA's first or second Board meeting except carrying out committee assignments. We seek input... any suggestions, here?

ILDA Projects: Second International Training Seminar (SITS) Deaf Mission of 1975 financial report has been completed. I was invited to Washington, D.C., in February 1978 to work on and verify the auditing of this project. The initial fund of \$53,000.00 has now been dispensed with!

Mill Neck Lutheran School for the Deaf (LFD) has granted us a check of \$5,000.00 with the purpose of up-grading our Deaf Lutheran magazine publications. We also rejoice here for His Providance.

We also have assisted other areas with financial supports, on a continuing basis as we see fit.

PRESIDENT SPEAKS: ILDA, 1979

. ILDA Tution & Mission info: We Have received quite a number of requests from individuals needing assistance - spiritually, financially and materially. It is regrettably a farce that ILDA has or has not been effectively involved in this area, altho we have the authority. Since our mission work has long been in the hands of LC-MS staff (Rev. Rohe), we do not have these materials to share - out, however with the presence of our new Director, Rev. Donald W. Zuhn, we will be able to work with this situation as time permits.

Finally, I have come to the conclusion that what God wanted me todo here. I have done my best under certain circumstances, with His Guidance and Your support. May He shower His Grace upon you and me. This is not to say how much I enjoyed working with men of christian goals and ambitions.

Please accept this little poem in appreciations...

Thank You, Friend

I never came to you, my friend, And went away without Some new enrichment of heart: More faith, and less doubt, More courage for the days ahead, And often in great need Coming to you, I went away Comforted, indeed

How can I find the shining words, The glowing phrase that tells All that your love has meant to me, All that your friendship spells? There is no word, no phrase for you On whom I so depend All I can say to you is this: God bless you, precious friend.

Grace Noll Crowell

Your servant thru Christ,

Joseph J. Kindred

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Your Patronage in Memphis is the gateway to Christ. It also will be the most rewarding time to share this goodwill with the hundreds who will meet here and go home with the feeling the trip and participation was worth witnessing.

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God's 1,000 Club that was established by the ILDA Board of Directors and it continues to grow.

The name "God's 1,000 Club" was chosen because first of all the work of ILDA is to get the Good News of God's Son to the deaf everywhere. 1,000 represented the number of doners or club members we hope to enlist.

People who become members in God's 1,000 Club are asked to <u>contribute</u> \$10 <u>each</u> year thereafter. This is not a part of the regular ILDA dues and it does not pay for a subscription to <u>THE</u> <u>DEAF</u> <u>LUTHERAN</u>. Any donations given to God's 1,000 Club can only be used to help pay the expenses of ILDA board meetings.

SPEAKERS

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

The Rev. Professor William G. Houser

 Professor of Evangelism and of Preaching, Vicarage Supervisor, Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana

Professor Houser is a graduate of Springfield Seminary - 1951. He has had extensive parish experience and is using this knowledge to teach young men to become Pastors, skilled Pastors to work in God's Kingdom. We welcome Professor Houser to the International Lutheran Deaf Association 5th Biennail Convention as our speaker about evangelism.

BANQUET SPEAKER The Rev. Ronald E. Friedrich Pastor, Lutheran Deaf Mission Northern Illinois

The Rev. Friedrich of Aurora, Illinois is a graduate of St. Louis Seminary - 1976. He is a new pastor in the field, but has been working and has gained much experience in the area of evangelism and ministry to the deaf. Pastor Friedrich also has a first class license to operate 2-way radios and ham radios. He uses his experience in electronics in helping the deaf by inventing devices which turn lights on and off when the doorbell rings, the phone rings, or a baby cries. Pastor Friedrich vicared at Eternal Mercy Lutheran Church for the Deaf and has many friends here. We welcome him back and thank the Lord that he is with us for this convention.

EVANGELISM WORKSHOP LEADERS The Rev. Martin G. Kosche Pastor to the Deaf Delavan, Wisconsin

Rev. Kosche is a graduate of Springfield, Ill. - 1946. He is known across the country by those who work with the deaf and teach sign language as he has been consulted in the development of a book called "Religious Signs". Pastor Kosche has had many years of experience with the deaf and also in the area of evangelism to the deaf. He and Pastor Bomberger have worked together in developing sessions for us to learn more about bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ and God's love to deaf people. We welcome Pastor Kosche to the ILDA convention.

The Rev. Gary D. Bomberger

Pastor Bomberger is a graduate of Springfield -1975. Gary has had several different experiences with the deaf and also with hearing congregations. He vicared in Clearwater, Florida which is a dual ministry to deaf and hearing. Pastor Bomberger has taken additional studies at Springfield Seminary and is planning to receive his Doctor of Ministry degree in the future. He worked with Pastor Kosche to develop our program on evangelism so that we may become better desciples of Christ and be better equipped to fulfil the work that He has given us.

May the program that Pastor Bomberger and Pastor Kosche have developed be a blessing both to our own spiritual life and to those to whom we GO AND TELL.

SECRETARY FOR DEAF MINISTRY The Lutheran Church-MissouriSynod St. Louis, Missouri

Rev. Donald Zuhn is a 1966 graduate of St. Louis Seminary. He accepted a call while he was a Pastor in Minnesota to the position of Secretary to Deaf Ministry. We welcome him to the International Lutheran Deaf Association convention and thank him for being present with us, for giving us his guidance, leadership and spiritual inspiration. We wish to him a most successful term in this challenging position.



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I L D A CONVENTION OPENING WORSHIP

June 21, 1979

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. AMEN

Hymn #3 TLH

INTROIT

O Lord, I hoped in YOUR mercy. My heart will rejoice in YOUR saving work. I will sing to the Lord. HE has done good things to me. O Lord, How long will YOU forget me? How long will YOU hide YOUR face from me?

THE COLLECT

Lord God of all nations, YOU have shown YOUR will to YOUR people and promised YOUR help to all people. Help us to hear and to do the things YOU command, so that darkness may be overcome by the power of YOUR light; through YOUR Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 3: 3-19

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Acts 2: 1-21

THE GRADUAL

I say, Lord, show mercy to me. Heal my soul because I have sinned against YOU. Happy is the man that helps the poor people. The Lord will save him in the time of trouble. Praise God! Praise God? O Lord, hear my words, pay attention to my calling. Praise God!!

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 28: 18-20

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Hymn #224

THE SERMON - The Rev. Paul Dorr

THE BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN #657

LORD JESUS CHRIST, BE PRESENT NOW

Lord Jesus Christ, be present now, Our hearts in true devotion bow, Thy Spirit sent with grace divine, And let Thy truth within us shine.

Unseal our lips to sing Thy praise, Our souls to Thee in worship raise, Make strong our faith, increase our light That we may know Thy name aright:

Until we join the hosts that cry, "Holy art Thou, O Lord, most high!" And in the light of that blest place Fore'er behold Thee face to face.

Glory to God the Father, Son, And Holy Spirit, Three in One!To Thee, O blessed Trinity, Be praise throughout eternity! Amen.



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COME, HOLY GHOST, GOD AND LORD!

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord! Be all Thy graces now outpoured On each believer's mind and heart; Thy fervent love to them impart. Lrd, by the brightness of Thy light, Thou in the faith dost men unite Of every land and every tongue; This to Thy praise, O Lord, our God, be sung. Alleluia!

Thou holy Light, Guide divine, O cause the Word of Life to shine! Teach us to know our God aright And call Him Father with delight. From every error keep us free; Let none but Christ our Master be That we in living faith abide In Him, our Lord, with all our might confide.



Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou holy Fire, Comfort true, Grant us the will Thy work to do And in Thy service to abide; Let trials turn us not aside. Lord, by Thy power prepare each heart

And to our weakness strength impart That bravely here we may contend, Through life and death to Thee, our

Lord, ascend. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Beautiful Savior, King of Creation, Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands, Robed in flo'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer; He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight, Bright the sparkling stars on high;Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer, Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine! Amen.





WE LIFT OUR HANDS TO THE LORD.

We lift our hands because we know God is our Savior.

We can lift our hands to the Lord because Jesus gives us strength.

We can lift our hands without fearing God because We know He Loves Us.

We know God loves us because He sent Jesus, His only Son to Die instead of us.

We lift our hands to God to give thanks to Him for His love.

Yes, We lift our Hands to the Lord and sign His praise. Yes, We are "Rejoicing in Mercy"; -- Because We know. But -----what about those who DO NOT KNOW?

JESUS WANTS THEM TO KNOW!!

We know Jesus says, "Go to all nations (nations means people, deaf people too.) and make more followers for Jesus. Telling them about everything Jesus says."

God so loved the world (people), so He sent His Son (Jesus) to save us from our Sin. We know. We are happy. But there are many many unhappy, sad people. They are sad because they do not know. WHO WILL TELL THEM?





A important prophet said, "Here I am." The prophet was rejoicing in mercy. God showed him mercy. Then the prophet said, "Here I am. SEND ME." We pray...

Please copy:

"Here I am. Send ME !!"

PASTOR FOR OPENING SERVICE The Rev. Paul H. Dorr

Pastor, Milwaukee, Wisconsin Pastor Advisor to the International Lutheran Deaf Association

Pastor Dorr graduated from Springfield Seminary - 1965. Pastor Dorr has had considerable training in the area of education of the deaf. We pray the Lord's Holy Spirit will bless Pastor Dorr's message to us during the opening worship and we welcome him to Memphis, Tn. in the name of Jesus. We also wish to thank him for his advise in the planing of the 5th Biennial convention for ILDA.

PASTOR FOR CLOSING WORSHIP The Rev. David S. Bush

Pastor, Eternal Mercy Lutheran Church for the Deaf Memphis, Tennessee

Pastor Bush graduated from Concordia Theological Seminary, For Wayne, Indiana - 1978. He celebrated his first year in the ministry June 18th. He's been in Memphis a little less than a year and has worked very closely with the convention committee in planing the ILDA gathering in Memphis. Pastor Bush would like to personally welcome one and all to the "Gateway of the South".



I L D A CONVENTION CLOSING WORSHIP

June 24, 1979

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. AMEN

Hymn #252 TLH

INTROIT

The Lord became my Support. HE led me to a large place. HE saved me, because HE wanted me. O Lord, my Supporter, I will love YOU. The Lord is my Support and my strong Defender.

THE COLLECT

Creator Lord, from the beginning of the world to the last day on earth YOU promised to watch over YOUR people. Forgive us when we disobey YOU. Let all of the people that trust in YOUR mercy eat and drink with YOU in heaven above. We pray in the name of Jesus our Savior and Lord. AMEN

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Malichi 3: 1-4

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Acts 16: 23-34

THE GRADUAL

In my trouble I called to the Lord, and HE heard me. O Lord, save my soul from sinful lips and from a lying tongue. Praise God! Praise God! God judges the righteous people and God is angry with sinners every day.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 1: 57-64

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HYMN #428

THE SERMON - Rev. David S. Bush

THE BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMM #200 TLH

WE ALL BELIEVE IN ONE TRUE GOD

We all believe in one true God Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Everpresent Help in need Praised by all the heav'nly host, By whose mighty pow'r alone All is made and wrought and done.

We all believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's Son, Who descended from His throne And for us salvation won; By whose cross and death are we Rescued from all misery.

We all confess the Holy Ghost, Who from both fore'er proceeds; Who upholds and comforts us In all trials, fears, and needs. Blest and Holy Trinity, Praise forever be to Thee! Amen



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I AM TRUSTING THEE, LORD JESUS

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, Trusting only Thee; "Frusting Thee for full salvation, Great and free.

I am trusting Thee to guide me; Thou alone shalt lead, Ev'ry day and hour supplying All my need.

I am trusting Thee for power; Thine can never fail. Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me Must prevail.

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus; Never let me fall. I am trusting Thee forever And for all.



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I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES

I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives! He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my everliving Head.

He lives to silence all my fears, He lives to wipe away my tears, He lives to calm my troubled heart, He lives all blessings to impart.

He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.

He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same. Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives, "I know that my Redeemer lives!"



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

God's Word teaches us to "Go and Tell" THURSDAY - June 21st 7:30 PM - Devotion #1 - Opening Worship O.T. Lesson - Genesis 3: 3-19 (The First Evangelism Call) Epistle Lesson - Acts 2: 1-21 (The day the diciples were given power to "Go and Tell") Gospel Lesson - Matthew 28: 18-20 (Jesus says, "Go and Tell") FRIDAY - June 22nd 9:00 PM - Devotion #2 0.T. Lesson - Isaiah 53: 4-6 (An Old Testament Evangelism message.) 7:30 PM - N.T. Lesson - John 1: 35-51 (The first diciples) SATURDAY - June 23rd 9:00 AM - Devotion #4 N.T. Lesson - John 3: 1-16 (Jesus to Nicodemus) 11:55 AM - Devotion #5 N.T. Lesson - John 4: 3-42 (The woman at the well) 2:00 PM - Devotion #6 N.T. Lesson - Mark 16: 15-16 (Go and Tell)

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE (continued)

4:45 PM - Devotion #7

N.T. Lesson - Acts 1:8-9 (Jesus to His disciples before the ascension)

7:30 PM - Devotion #8

N.T. Lesson - Acts 4: 13 (The power to do evangelism is from Jesus)

SUNDAY - June 24th

9:00 AM - Devotion #9

N.T. Lesson - Acts 4: 20 (We can't keep quiet about the Good News)

10:30 AM - Devotion #10 - Closing Worship

O.T. Lesson - Malichi 3: 1-4 (I will send my messenger)

Epistle Lesson - Acts 16: 23-34 (The Jailer at Philippi)

Gospel Lesson - Luke 1: 57-64 (Filled with the Holy Spirit)



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CONVENTION MENUES

PICNIC FRIDAY AT 5:00 PM

Kentucky Fried Chicken - 3 pieces Cole Slaw Mashed Potatoes and Gravy 2 Dinner Rolls Baked beans Assorted soft drinks

BANQUET SATURDAY AT 7:00 PM

Chilled Melon Ball Cocktail Tossed Mixed Green Salad Creamy Italian Dressing Roast Top Sirloin of Beef served with gravy French Cut Green Beans Baked Idaho Potato served with sour cream and chives Assorted Rolls and Butter Strawberry Parfait Beverage



CONVENTION COMMITTEE

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HOTEL COFORDINATORS Joseph Schrodi Jack Wagnild

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THANK YOU

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION CHANGES

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ARTICLE XVII

REAL ESTATE - SALARIED WORKERS - EQUIPMENT

The ILDA by an affirmative vote of twothirds of the voting members at an International Convention may buy, purchase, acquire or sell real estate; hire salaried-workers; or <u>purchase</u> <u>services</u>; or purchase equipment as long as such things are maintained and operated entirely on a non-profit basis and are essential for carrying out the purposes of this association.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

PURPOSE

Section C - Solicitations

The ILDA shall solicit and-receive funds from the deaf members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod for the accomplishment of its purposes and shall be a self-financing nonprofit association, and it shall conduct its activities without pecuniary profit to any individual. For any mission projects and programs, it shall work in cooperation with the Board for Missions of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

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ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP

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Section A - Active Members

1. Active Members shall be DEAF, Lutheran laypeople who are Communicant Members in good standing in a Congregation and/or Field of Lutheran -Ghurches. The Lutheran Church-

Missouri Synod and/or its partner churches.

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ARTICLE IV

BOARD FOR MISSIONS REPRESENTATIVE

Section C - Special Privileges

The Representative from the Board for Missions shall enjoy the same privileges as-the-other members-of-the-Board-of-Directors-such-as of proposing and-voting at Board Meetings; however, he shall not be permitted to vote or to serve as an officer in the ILDA.



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10:30

Meet in lobby of Rivermont for boarding of buses. You will be cruising the Mississippi River on the Memphis Queen. Lunch on board as you watch the banks of Memphis from the Mark Twain type riverboat. Beer and soft drinks are available on board as well as hamburgers, hot dogs, and sandwiches. Watch the beer you Lutherans! -It will be a warm day and you may be in the sun!!!

1:00

1.

Board buses for short tour of the downtown area.

Cook Convention Center--Named for Everett M. Cook, a WWI flying Ace and founder of Cook Industries, Inc. The main convention hall has a capacity of 15,000 people. The long panel windows that face the east weigh approx. 2-tons apiece.

 Trinity Lutheran Church--This church built in 1874 is the Mother Church for Missouri Synod Lutherans of Memphis. The congregation formed in 1855. The altar is hand-carved wood from Dresden, Germany and the unique Belz Glass windows came from a small town in Germany that specialized in that type of work.
Victorian Village--

A. The Mallory-Neely Home-Italian Gothic architecture. This home is not yet completely restored. It does contain many priceless antiques brought from Italy.

B. The Fontain Home-The Fontaines made their money from cotton. Notice the small doll house and chapel in back. The carriage house is now a restaurant and tea room.

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C. The Lee Home-Captain Lee was a shipping magnate. He owned most of the shipping lines that transported on the Mississippi River.



Medical Center--Memphis is a major medical center. The University of Tennessee Medical Units are located here along with 5 schools of Nursing, a Dental School, Southern College of Optometry, and 23 hospitals. The Baptist Hospital is the World's Largest Privately Owned Hospital. The building is so large is has its own zip code. The bed capacity here is 2100. Elvis kept a suite of rooms on the 8th floor where he would come to recouperate from his singing tours. This is also where he was pronounced Dead On Arrival on August 16, 1977.

2:00

Graceland-Home of Elvis Presley The home and 14 acres were bought by Elvis for \$100,000.00 in 1956 from Mrs. Grace Moore. Her husband, Dr. Tom Moore named the property for his wife, Grace, hence "Graceland". Elvis had the gates custom designed and made for \$10,000.00. Wester Presley, Elvis' uncle is still the head gatekeeper.

2:45

Board Buses to leave Graceland PLEASE BE PROMPT!!!

Overton Square-The night-life hub of Memphis Eternal Mercy Lutheran Church-The Rev. David Bush is the Pastor and Missionary to the Deaf. This is the only Lutheran Church exclusively for the deaf in Memphis. There are 107 com-

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municant members-the largest congregation of deaf people in the South. The congregation of Eternal Mercy Lutheran Church used to meet at Trinity Lutheran Church before their building was constructed. At that time, there were 2 Lutheran churches for the deaf in Memphis--they joined to form one congregation and Eternal Mercy Church.

Overton Park Zoo

3:30

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Our Zoo began without planning in 1905. Mr. A. B. Carruthers accepted a black bear from Natchez, Ms. as payment for a wholesale order of shoes. "Natch" as the bear was known, became the mascot of the Memphis baseball team. However, after a scuffel with a team member, he was moved from that ball field and taken to Overton Park where the present site of the zoo is. The Memphis Zoo Assn. was formed, and Mrs. Carruthers served as the first president. Other animals were donated, and the zoo began to grow.

5:00 Overton Park Pavilion for Picnic Supper Southern Fried Chicken and fellowship!!

6:00 Board Buses for Rivermont'

We hope you have enjoyed your day around town, and

hope you will come back again soon !!!!!



MEMPHIS - MID-AMERICA'S BIG, NEW CITY!

Memphis is the business center of the agricultural South. It is the largest spot cotton market in the world.

Transportation is our 4th largest industry: Over 17-billion tons of cargo pass through Memphis annually. We are served by 10 major airlines, 8 interstate bus lines, 8 railroads and 7 common carrier barge lines on the inland waterway system.

Memphis is known as a city of parks-we have 156 parks in town so there is a park within walking distance of every child in the city. We are also a city of churches-there are over 900 churches.

The population is 800,000 in the city proper and 1 1/4 million in the greater metropolitan area. Water supply is one of the purest in the world. Artesian wells supply 245 million gallons per day.

Memphis Recording - Memphis is also a recording capital. Such greats as Johnny Cash, Charlie Rich, Elvis Presley, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, Isaac Hayes, Willie Mitchel, Carla & Rufus Thomas, The Bar-K's and the Beatles have recorded here.

Memphis was founded by Andrew Jackson, John Overton, James Winchester and Davy Crockett.

Memphis is the corporate headquarters for: Holiday Inn, Inc.: Plough, Inc. - makers of Coppertone, Di=Gel and Maybellene products; Federal Express Air Freight Carriers; Federal Compress and Warehouse - cotton storage; Cook Industries, Inc.; Val-Mac, Inc. - poultry producers for Holly Farms; American Snuff Co. Inc., IRS and Bulk Mail Center. Four Memphians were named "Makers of the 20th Century" by the London Times Newspaper. They were: Kimmons Wilson - Founder of Holiday Inn, Inc.; Dr. John Shea - world famous surgeon pioneering surgery for deafness; Elvis Presley no further identification necessary; and Clarence Saunders - founder and father of the modern supermarket.

Mr. Walter Ringer, another Memphian, developed the photo-light cell. These have been invaluable to science, photography and the cell was used to turn off and on street lights. Mr. Ringer was a Lutheran and member of Trinity Lutheran Church here in Memphis.

The Peabody Hotel - "The South's Finest and One of America's Greatest Hotels." This was their motto.

The Peabody was famous for the ducks that marched daily at 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. The bell men would bring the ducks from their penthouse on the roof to the lobby. A recording of "Dixie" would blast throughout the lobby and mezzanine and the ducks would march along a red carpet laid for them from the elevators to the fountain in the center of the lobby. At 3:00 p.m. the "Dixie" would again be played and the ducks would conclude their swimming in the fountain and march, single-file, back to the elevator. When the last duck was in, they would take their bow together. The elevator doors would close, and the ducks would be wisked up to their penthouse.



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WHAT IS THE ILDA?

The International Lutheran Deaf Association was founded in Chicago during the first biennial convention in 1971. The purpose, according to the revised constitution, is "to coordinate and strengthen the religious acitivies and service in our congregations, to help promote their growth to the highest possible level in service to their Lord and Savior; to promote the Christian faith and life of Lutheran deaf people, all deaf individuals, and others with whom we associate; and to carry on our ministry throughout the world."

The ILDA shall communicate and convey to the deaf members the programs, plans and goals of The Lutheran Church -Missouri Synod. It shall support lay leadership among deaf Lutherans in all areas of faith and life.

Membership in the ILDA is open to all deaf, and is divided in three categories: Active, Associate and Sustaining.

The ILDA relies on <u>THE DEAF LUTHERAN</u> to convey information of its acitivies and services to deaf Lutherans.

Still in its infancy, despite the financial and coordination difficulties, the ILDA held its second inspiring biennial convention at Kansas City, Mo., 1973.

At Washington, D. C. in 1975 the members voted for ratification of the revised constitution. The historic document will help develop the ILDA image and facilitate the operation and administration of the association. During this convention the members supported the goal of recruiting as many lay people as possible and getting them actively involved in the ILDA affairs. In 1977 the 4th Biennial Convention of the International Lutheran Deaf Association was held in Spokane, Wa. The aim of ILDA is to carry out the objectives of serving the Lord in His church and to obtain the financial support that would lead to self sufficiency. It is hoped that many programs and projects for the ministry and mission of ILDA will become a reality.

We hope that this the 5th Biennial Convention in Memphis, Tn. will be another step in achieving the goals and programs of ILDA.



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