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I am the Way, the Truth, the Life: no man cometh unto the Father, but (excepting) by Me.

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— Iohn 14, 6.

## "EBENEZER"

## 1 Sam. 7, 12

This month The Deaf Lutheran will speak to you in numbers about our work among the deaf. These numbers, however, should not be for the glory of man, but we all, the missionaries who went out with the gospel, the deaf to whom we ministered, our hearing friends who supported this work, should be urged thereby to set up a stone as Samuel did when the Lord had defeated the Philistines for His people Israel, and call it "Ebenezer, saying, Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

Your missionaries bring these reports not to receive praise and glory. O no! At the same time they confess with thanks to God: It is the Lord who gave us health and strength and protected us on all our journeys; it is the Lord who gave us His Spirit and power and crowned our work with success. Therefore in giving these reports they want to set up a stone and call it "Ebenezer, saying, Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

Then, these reports show that our deaf Christians attended these services and brought others with them and also supported the work with their gifts and prayers. But these numbers also are not brought for the praise of our deaf. O no! It is the Lord who touched the hearts and made them willing to listen to the word, diligent in prayer, and glad to support this work; it is the Lord who held His protecting hand over them and by His Spirit kept them in the true faith. Therefore also our Lutheran deaf want to set up a stone with these reports and call it "Ebenezer, saying, Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

However, without the help and gifts of our hearing friends the work could not have been carried on, as it has been. They made mention of our work in our daily prayers and gladly gave their money for it, so that more men could be called to begin the work in new fields. Should these numbers then be given for the glory of our hearing Christians? O no! It is the Lord who gave them their money; it is the Lord who, by the love of Christ, made them willing to give and filled them with the Spirit of prayer. Therefore while looking over these reports also our hearing friends will set up a stone with us and call it "Ebenezer, saying, Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

Thus let every one of us read and study the reports given in this number on our work among the deaf! J. L. S.

"Help me in future, God of grace, Help me on each occasion, Help me in each and ev'ry place, Help me through Jesus' passion; Help me in life and death, O God, Help me through Jesus' dying blood, Help me as Thou hast helped me!"

"And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it."—Psalm 90, 17.

Prayer is our speech to God. When we read, God speaks to us; when we pray, we speak to God.—Augustine.

## HISTORY OF OUR LUTHERAN MIS-SION FOR THE DEAF

## Rev. Th. Claus' Work Among the Deaf

Rev. Th. Claus has been mentioned as a laborer among the deaf, when we observed that Rev. Uhlig, working from Chicago, had preached to the deaf of South Bend, Ind. The large class of deaf confirmed by Rev. Uhlig in 1914 had really been gathered in when the Gospel net was cast out in South Bend by the preaching of Rev. Claus, who lived in Elkhart, Ind.

Rev. Claus was pastor of a hearing charge in Elkhart, Ind., when he first witnessed a service for the deaf in Elkhart in the sign-language conducted by P. Aug. Reinke in October, The service made a deep impression 1894.upon Pastor Claus, and Rev. Reinke encouraged him to study the sign-language; but for some time services were held occasionally by Rev. Reinke, and later by his successor and son, Arthur Reinke. Then Rev. Claus decided to learn the sign-language, instructed by the Funkhausers of Elkhart and later by the Pischkes of South Bend. November 18, 1899, he preached his first sermon to the deaf in signs. However, the work had to be discontinued in Elkhart, and services were begun in South Bend, where the deaf showed a greater interest for church and the preaching of the Gospel. Services in South Bend have been conducted regularly to this date, some of those first members won by missionaries Claus and Uhlig still are regular attendants at the services.

Every mission, probably in every station, has its ups and downs, and our mission among the deaf is no exception. But an experience of Rev. Claus in South Bend is full of comfort and encouragement to every missionary no matter where the place or what language it is in which he may preach. Disappointed by a very small attendance at one service, the pastor was told: "Jesus did not only preach to large multitudes, but He preached also to one woman, Mary sitting at His feet, or to one man, Nicodemus coming to Him at night, and He thought it worth while to preach some of His grandest sermons." Indeed, no greater encouragement could be given—for even the angels shall rejoice over one sinner that repenteth (Luke 15, 10).

Rev. Claus also began preaching to the deaf of Toledo, Ohio, in 1901, and conducted services there regularly for some time. Pastor Claus also preached to the deaf in Rochester and Michigan City, Ind. Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids, Mich., also were explored. These latter places were served while Rev. Claus was pastor of a hearing charge in Hammond, Ind. His work among the deaf ceased when Rev. Uhlig came to Chicago and took charge of the regular services in South Bend, Ind.

Like the senior Pastor Reinke, our friend Claus also worked among the deaf independent of Synod's support for two or three years, from 1899 to 1901. One of the living pioneers of our work among the deaf, Rev. Claus looks back with fond remembrance upon his labors, and we hope that the deaf who enjoyed his services will hold that which they have received until they have the crown of life. A. C. D.

## STUDIES IN LUTHER'S CATECHISM Table of Duties

#### Of Civil Government-Rom. 13, 1-4

In these verses Paul speaks of higher powers (v, 1) and rulers (v, 3), or, as we call them, the government. They that govern or rule as well as they who are under their rule, often have mistaken ideas about government. Therefore it is well that we Christians learn what the word of God says about it.

First, Paul says, "There is no power but (excepting) of God." There is no one who governs or rules over others who has this power not from God. In order that we understand him correctly, Paul furthermore says, "The powers that be are ordained (given) of God." "The powers that be," every government in every country, all are "ordained of God." Jesus taught the same. Pilate said to Him, "Speakest Thou not unto me? Knowest Thou not that I have power to crucify Thee, and have power to release Thee?" Then Jesus answered, "Thou couldest have no power at all against Me, except it were given thee from above." And this is true also of those who are chosen and elected by the people, as in our country. To the people of Israel Samuel therefore said, "Behold the king whom ye have chosen, and whom ye have desired! and, behold, the Lord hath set a king over you." 1 Sam. 12, 13. And not only the good, but also bad government is set over people by God, for Nehemiah speaks to God of "kings whom Thou hast set over us because of our sins," Neh. 9, 37. Therefore Jesus calls Himself "the Prince of the kings of the earth," Rev. 1, 5, and is called "Lord of lords, and King of kings" in Rev. 17, 14.

If all rulers would remember that God has given them this power and that they must give account to Him of their government as ministers of God, v. 3, then they would be more faithful and not wrong the people and deceive them as they so often do. And, again, if people would keep this in mind, then they would not think so lightly of their government and carelessly break the laws of the land, for then they would know that "whosoever resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God," that is, they who disobey and rebel against the government, disobey and rebel against God, and that therefore they "shall receive to themselves damnation," that is, God will judge them as He judged Absalom who rebelled against his father and king, 2 Sam. 18.

And why does God set rulers over people? God tells us by Paul, saying, "Rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil." The government should fill with fear those that seek to do evil. If there would be no government, then men would not be afraid to do evil, they would steal and kill, and do many other wicked works, but if there is a government, then men For if a man has done evil, the are afraid. ruler should punish him, for he has the sword, the power to punish, and should not "bear it in vain," that means, he should use the sword and punish the evildoers. This is God's command, for every ruler is "the minister (or servant) of God, a revenger (punisher) to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil," that is, he should be angry against the evildoer and punish him. Paul therefore says, "If thou do that which is evil, be afraid."

But "wilt thou not be afraid of the power?" Then "do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same." Do that which is good, and the government will honor you as a good citizen, protect and defend you against all evildoers, and so be "the minister of God to thee for good." Therefore government is a great blessing, and we ought to thank God for it.

May also our rulers, great and small, always bear in mind that they have received their power from God, and that they, as ministers of God, should use this power to punish the evil works and to praise the good. And may every one of us "be subject unto the higher powers" and think highly of them, because all are ordained of God. Indeed, then it shall be well in our country! J. L. S.

### NOTES OF INTEREST

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

During 1923 the gospel of Jesus Christ was preached in the sign-language in 84 cities and 17 State Schools (including Kansas City field), the average attendance ranging from 400 to 2.

According to the reports given our Mission numbers 10 organized congregations with 185 voting members. The total number of all communicants is 802 and that of those who communed is 1,746. The number of deaf being instructed and prepared for confirmation is 267.

The free-will offerings of our deaf have been larger than ever before. The total amount given for our Mission and home purposes is \$5,051.26. For synodical and charitable purposes they gave \$464.31. Total \$5,515.57.

We regret that we were not able to obtain the report of our Kansas City Mission. The Rev. E. C. Baker, who took charge of that field last February, had to resign on account of severe eye-trouble. May our Lord grant him his health and enable him to take up the work among the deaf again. The Board of Missions has extended several calls already to obtain a missionary for Kansas City, but has been unsuccessful until now. Let us "pray the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest."

(Continued on page 14)

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF OUR MISSION FOR 1923 "Ebenezer: Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." 1 Sam. 7, 12.

Missions	Congregations	<b>Preaching</b> Stations	State Schools	Voting Members	Communicants	Communed	Services	Average Attendance	Children Baptized	Adults Baptized	Children Confirmed	Adults Confirmed	Being Instructed	Marriages	Búrials	Free-will Offer-		Free-will Offer- ing for Out- side Purposes
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Kankakee, Ill		1			2	2	1	2									5.00	
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Looking over the directory on the last page our readers will notice several changes. The schedule of Rev. Ferber, who took over Northern Minnesota and North Dakota in November, appears in this number. Several changes also in Portland and Seattle Missions were made. Rev. Frice, our new worker, has taken over the work in Spokane and Idaho. The Portland field will temporarily be served from Seattle, where the Rev. E. Eichmann, who has accepted a call into our Mission, is being prepared for the work by Rev. Gaertner. May the Lord richly bless the new missionaries and their labors among the deaf!

## CAN A CHRISTIAN BE A LODGE-MEMBER?

### Or,

## CAN A CHRISTIAN BE A MEMBER OF AN OATH-BOUND SECRET SOCIETY?

#### VII

#### No, for "It Is Written"

#### 1

"Every one that doeth evil hateth the light." John 3:20.—"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matthew 5:16.—"He that doeth truth **cometh to the light**, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God." John 3:21.

#### 2

"Thou shalt have **no other gods** before Me." Exodus 20:3.—"Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve." Matthew 4:10.—"All men should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father. He that honoreth not the Son honoreth not the Father which hath sent Him." John 5:23.—"This ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolator, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ, and of God." Eph. 5:5.

### 3

"As many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them." Gal. 3:10.—"By grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: **not of works**, lest any man should boast." Eph. 2: 8-9.—"Jesus saith unto him, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father, but (excepting) by Me." John 14:6.—"Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law." Rom. 3:28.

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"We are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags." Isaiah 64:6.—"Whatsoever ye shall **ask in My name**, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in My name, I will do it." John 14:13-14.—"Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My name, He will give it you." John 16:23.

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"I say unto you, **Swear not at all**; neither by heaven; for it is God's throne; nor by the earth; for it is His footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King. Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black. But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil." Matth. 5:34-37.—"Above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any other oath: but let your yea be yea; and your nay, nay; lest ye fall into condemnation." James 5:12.

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"What shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" Mark 8:36-37.—"Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." Matthew 6:33.—"Whosoever therefore shall confess Me before men, him will I confess also before My Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny Me before men, him will I also deny before My Father which is in heaven." Matthew 10:32-33.—"Be ye not un-

equally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? And what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? Or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? For ve are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall Wherefore come out from be My people. among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall by My sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty." 2 Cor. 6:14-18. J. L. S.

The law of Thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver.—Ps. 119, 72.

## THE POWER OF CHRISTIANITY

In Madras a native missionary met a Hindu who seemed to be troubled and perplexed. He had come from another town and was carrying on his person a large sum of money which he had collected of a debtor in the city. He was haunted by the fear of being robbed and murdered in the strange city. When he beheld the missionary, he judged from the manner of his dress that he was a Christian, and requested the privilege of passing the night in his house.

"My dear sir," replied the missionary, "I am a Christian, and you are a Hindu. There are thousands of Hindus in the city."

"Just because you are a Christian," said the Hindu, "I would lodge with you. I can trust a Christian, but I cannot trust a Hindu."

I fear John Knox's prayers more than an army of ten thousand men.—Mary of Scotland.

## SCHOOL LETTER

Sunday, December 23rd, was a red letter day of the school year. It was the day of the Christmas celebration. At two o'clock several automobiles took the children to Bethany hall, the stage of which was beautified by a fine tree and trimmings. At three o'clock the program

was opened by Mr. Echternkamp singing a beautiful Advent song. Then followed the narration of the prophecies of the Old Testament concerning the Savior and of the complete Christmas story as given in Luke 2. This narration was in the form of questions and answers interspersed by Christmas songs in signs accompanied by singing. Then followed another solo by Mr. Echternkamp and, after a brief intermission, the second part of the program, a play appropriate to Christmas. At the close of the program the presents, gladly given by the Ladies' Aid of the School, were distributed to the children. The Ladies' Aid of Bethany Church served a very fine supper, on nicely decorated tables, to the children, the workers of the School, and the parents of children who happened to be there. Then, tired and happy, all were taken back to the School. About twenty went home to spend vacation, a greater number than ever before. But all have returned safe and well. The School was remembered by many for Christmas, gifts, both in cash and goods, arriving from various parts of the country. It would make too long a list to enumerate each gift and the giver. One especially large gift will be mentioned, even though the donor's name will not be given. This was a cash donation of \$250 and the Book of Knowledge, in de luxe binding, to the School's library. Both gifts came from one man, a resident of Detroit. May God bless all who remembered our work.

Skates for all who could possibly learn the art and sleds for all who were too young to skate were a part of the presents from the Ladies' Aid to the children. The children are making good use of both on the ice ponds of the School grounds. The health of the children has been excellent so far. May the Lord keep it thus, that the School work may go on without interruption! G.



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