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Editorials

The White Line

Not long ago there was a serious auto crash in which two cars were involved. The police believe it was caused by both drivers racing toward each other with their left front wheels on the center line of the pavement to see which one would pull over to the right first.

To any normally mature person, that is foolish sport, and it is forbidden by law. Certainly no good driver, no sensible person will drive with a front wheel on the line, much less will such a person race toward another automobile like that.

Nevertheless, many people are racing toward eternity and Judgment Day with one wheel on the white line. They want to get just as close as they can to the sinful pleasures of the world and still be Christians. They are willing to be good, but not too good.

The results in spiritual tragedies and casualties are seen every day by the consecrated pastor. A wise Christian does not try to get as close to the world as possible while trying not to be a worldly person, nor as close to sin as possible while trying not to be a sinful person. A wise person will avoid temptation and will walk the way of righteousness in faith and humility.

Christ walked the way of righteousness for us. He gave His life into death for us. By these two things He has given us perfect righteousness (which could not otherwise

be ours) and satisfied the just demands of God's Law in our stead, for us. We have forgiveness, life, and salvation through faith in Him.

The life which we can now live by the power of His Spirit is so filled with joy and peace that we should avoid at all costs the temptation of sin.

Let us be Christians in everything we say, think, or do. Stay away from the white line. M. SAMPSON

Tips for Tots in Church

Many habits which we have as adults were learned in our childhood years.

If children learn while they are young to appreciate church worship and how to behave in church, they will grow up as better Christians.

But God makes children active, and it is hard for them to sit still very long.

If parents brought a few quiet toys for a young child to amuse himself with, much trouble could be avoided. Paper and pencil to draw with often keep a child busy for a long time.

Eventually the children will learn by the parents' example that the church is a place to be quiet. When they are old enough to understand the worship service, they will have a habit of quiet attention for the length of the service.

Most important, *everyone show patience* while the children learn to worship properly.

The Silent Visitor
Omaha Field

The Cover

It is certainly proper at all times to give thanks to God. "Now Thank We All Our God" seems especially appropriate at graduation. Gratitude for a healthy body and a sound mind, for dedicated teachers and a well-rounded course of study, for God's help at every turn along the way toward the day of commencement, this is about the best feeling that a person can have.

Make sure, however, that you are grateful for the right things and not the wrong ones. Don't be grateful that "It's all over now, and I don't have to study any more." Don't be grateful that "Now I can do as I please."

In the first place, neither statement is true. Anyone who thinks that he doesn't have to study any more doesn't even know what the word "commencement" means. And this editorial is not going to spell it out for you. Look it up in the dictionary. And there is never a time in anyone's life that he can do as he pleases without regard for the rights of other people or the commandments of God. Not at graduation, not at the age of 21, not at the age of 91, not ever can a person say, "No one can tell me what to do," or, "Now I can do as I please."

But there is something even more serious with misplaced gratitude than these wrong notions. Misplaced gratitude is the mark of a misguided motive in life. A person who is always thankful for the wrong things, who is always laughing at the wrong jokes, who is always happy when he should be sad, or most dejected and morose when he ought to be grateful for the bitter

lesson learned, such a person needs more than a short editorial. He needs a complete change. He needs a conversion.

Such a person needs to be brought to the foot of the Cross to learn what one should really be sorry for and why one can be gay. A person whose gratitude is wasted on momentary comforts and trivial things that please his fancy ("I'm glad the preacher broke his leg so I don't have to go to church today") is a person to be pitied in every way. He has so missed the point of life that he is like the man who shut himself up in a cave and said, "Thank God! I'll never get sun-burned again."

Yes, it is funny for a person to make such a fool of himself to pass up the beauty of sunshine and warmth and color in order to be grateful in so paltry a way. But before we laugh too long, let's be sure we aren't laughing at ourselves.

Everyone at times is grateful for the wrong things. We are too interested in our own welfare at the expense of others. We are too far off beat from the will of God. But we have been led to the foot of the Cross, haven't we? And we know the dreadful consequences of saying "Thank You" when we ought to be saying "God forbid!"

Perhaps it would help to remember to whom we are saying "Thanks" for so many odd things. When half a state is suffering from drought and we are going on a picnic and are grateful that it doesn't rain, to whom are we grateful? And when we have enjoyed the tender loving care of our parents for twenty-one years

and say, "I'm glad I'm finally twenty-one," to whom are we grateful?

Certainly not to God. We are to "give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, and His mercy endureth forever." It is difficult sometimes to see what the goodness and mercy of God have to do with the things that make us happy and grateful. Remember to whom we are saying "Thanks." We are saying "Thank You" to God Himself.

If you give your friend a precious gift as a token of your friendship, and then as an afterthought hand

him a handful of potato chips, how would you feel if he danced in delight at the gift of potato chips, but forgot to mention the precious gift? I would think you would feel rather sad. God has given us a precious gift. He has given us His only-begotten Son. He has given us forgiveness, salvation, nearness, and love. He has also given us a handful of potato chips in the pleasures and comforts of life that He supplies.

It is certainly proper at all times to give thanks to God. But make sure you give the most thanks for the right things.

St. Matthew's Bids Good-By to Vicar

Vicar O. Anderson, who is to return to Springfield, Ill., to complete his studies for the ministry, was given a farewell supper by the members of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Jackson Heights, N. Y., on Saturday evening, June 14.

Mr. Anderson came to New York a year ago on June 14 to assist Pastor Simon in his work. When Pastor Simon accepted a call to a congregation in Michigan, Vicar Anderson was given the responsibility of not only the church in Jackson Heights but also the churches in Harlem and Hempstead, the four schools and several hospitals throughout the New York area.

As a student pastor working without direct supervision from a supervising pastor, Vicar Anderson did excellent work in bringing God's Word to the Deaf. He had a smile for everyone, and God blessed the work which he took upon himself as His servant.

At the supper there were 73 members and friends of the church and its vicar. Teddy Speyerer, a friend of Vicar Anderson, directed a "This Is Your Life" presentation for him. A large cake was placed before Vicar Anderson with the words "Our Lord Jesus Christ bless and keep you" inscribed in gold icing upon it. Various personal gifts were given to him by several members of the congregation together with an envelope with a gift of money from the group.

The supper was followed by a short church service conducted by Pastor Gerhold of Newark, N. J. A silver Communion set was blessed and given to Vicar Anderson from the congregation and friends. All joined in the closing hymn led by the choir, "God Be with You 'Til We Meet Again."

May our heavenly Father guide him in his studies.

MRS. L. BROOK

Notes from the Executive

Funds Voted for Orient Survey Trip

At our Deaf Missionaries' Conference in Detroit last July it was unanimously decided to use up to \$2,000 of the funds in the Deaf Mission Society treasury to pay the expenses of the survey trip to the Orient. Since the Board of Directors of Synod has already given its approval to this trip, definite plans can now be made. As we mentioned last month, the trip will most likely be made the early part of 1960. Pray for us as we begin to plan for this important trip to see what our church can do to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the Deaf in the Orient.

Lutheran Deaf Work in Germany

According to letters received in our office, the Lutheran Church in Germany is also interested in bringing the saving news of Jesus to the Deaf. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Thuringen has 10 pastors who do part-time work with the Deaf. Even though each of these pastors has a large congregation of hearing people, each of them still works with about 100 Deaf in his respective area. Since the oral method is used entirely in the schools, these pastors have lip-reading services for their people rather than sign-language services. In West Berlin two Lutheran pastors work with the 5,000 Deaf that are living there.

Lutheran Hymnbook for the Deaf Now Available

Sing unto the Lord, a hymnal for Deaf, has now been printed and is

available through the St. Louis Deaf Mission Office. Rev. Theo. DeLaney has worked hard to produce this fine collection of hymns which can now be easily signed. At the present time 62 hymns are included. The book is in loose-leaf form so that more hymns can be added later. The book is available for \$1.00 per copy. Send your order to Deaf Mission Office, 210 N. Broadway, St. Louis 2, Mo. To save time, cash or check should accompany your order.

Deaf Mission Board Organizes

At its first meeting after the elections in San Francisco the Board of Missions to the Deaf elected Rev. E. Drews as chairman, Rev. E. Schroeder as secretary, and Mr. C. J. Jacobson as financial secretary. The Board also voted to keep Mr. J. P. Miller as honorary member of the Board for as long as he continues to serve in various capacities.

Lutheran Appointed Superintendent of Utah School

Mr. Robert Tegeder, a member of The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod and a former teacher at the Lutheran Institute for the Deaf in Detroit, has been appointed superintendent of the Utah School for the Deaf, Ogden, Utah. Mr. Tegeder, who formerly served as principal of the Utah school, was appointed superintendent to succeed Mr. Green, who was killed in a car accident on his way to attend the convention of American Instructors of the Deaf in Colorado Springs in late June.

See you all next month. God be with each one of you.

W. F. REINKING

Gallaudet College Graduates Nine Lutherans

Washington, D. C. Rev. Walter Westermann, pastor of the Chapel for the Deaf in Washington, reports that nine members of the Gallaudet campus chapter of Gamma Delta were among the 51 graduates to re-

bold and Nelly Nerhus of Montana; Eleanor Durling of New Jersey; and Joyce Jacobson of Waukon, Iowa.

Joyce Jacobson and Agnes Dunn sang "Now Thank We All Our God" in the sign language as part of the



Commencement Exercises at Gallaudet College

ceive their diplomas at the June 1 commencement exercises of the world's only college for the Deaf.

Receiving degrees in this year's largest class in the school's 95-year history were the Gamma Delta president and president of the graduating class, Miss Agnes Marie Dunn of Omaha, Nebr.; Miss Carol Rush, secretary of the Gamma Delta chapter, of Lindsey, Calif.; Yvonne Carney and Nancy Bjorndahl of Minnesota; James Larkin Casterline, Jr., of South Carolina; Robert John Her-

bold and Nelly Nerhus of Montana; Eleanor Durling of New Jersey; and Joyce Jacobson of Waukon, Iowa. Joyce Jacobson and Agnes Dunn sang "Now Thank We All Our God" in the sign language as part of the commencement exercises. The cover of this issue shows Joyce singing, "Oh, may this bounteous God Through all our life *be near us.*"

Three of the graduates will be employed in Washington. Agnes Dunn has been assigned to teach physical education on the Gallaudet campus; Carol Rush will be in the library of Catholic University here; and John Herbold will be employed in government in Washington.

Miss Dunn becomes the second member of the Chapel for the Deaf

to be on the faculty of the college. Mr. Willard Madson, a former honor graduate of the college, teaches social sciences at the school. He serves as lay reader for Pastor Westermann and directs the chapel's two choirs.

Assisting Gallaudet President Leonard M. Elstad in the distribution of diplomas to graduates from their states were Lutheran Congressmen Albert H. Quie and Ancher Nelsen, both of Minnesota.

Ephphatha Conference

The annual Ephphatha Conference of Lutheran Ministers to the Deaf was held in Detroit, Mich., Monday through Friday the last week of July. The Lutheran School for the Deaf in Detroit was host to the conference. Mr. Walter J. Bellhorn, principal at the school, addressed the conference on methods of teaching oral deaf children.

Executive Secretary Reinking reported for the Board of Missions to the Deaf. The report which he presented showed the strength of the Lutheran Church as it preaches the Gospel of Jesus Christ to 10 per cent of the Deaf in the United States, but also the challenge it faces as it considers the thousands of unchurched Deaf here and the thousands more in foreign countries.

Concerning the DEAF LUTHERAN the Executive reported that more paid subscriptions have been received during the first six months this year than ever before, and that renewal cards are being sent to those whose subscriptions expire each month. Circulation at the present time is about 2,500 copies.

The *Handbook* Committee presented for the consideration of the conference a manual to guide ministers to the Deaf in many areas of responsibility. Containing information on insurance and taxation of property, stewardship training, contribution reports, records, social

welfare, and professional growth, the *Handbook* is intended as a reference and guide for the missionary, especially graduates of either seminary who enter the Deaf Mission or clergymen who enter the Deaf Mission from another area of church work. The *Handbook* was adopted as corrected subject to later and regular revision as it becomes necessary.

Pastor DeLaney announced that a hymnal is now available for deaf congregations and choirs. It will be distributed through the office of the Executive Secretary at 210 N. Broadway, St. Louis 2, Mo., for \$1.00 each, plus postage.

Chairman Bailey presided at the conference, Pastor DeLaney serving as secretary. Vice-Chairman-elect William Lange acted as chairman for a portion of the conference.

Board members in attendance are pictured in the front row, right to left: Chairman Ernest Drews of St. Paul, Minn.; Pastor Elmer Koberg of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Mr. C. J. Jacobson of St. Paul, Minn.; honorary member Mr. J. P. Miller of Minneapolis, Minn.; and Executive Secretary William Reinking. Dr. Klein of the Lutheran School for the Deaf is at the left of the second row from the front. All the remaining people pictured are Lutheran ministers serving the Deaf in the United States and Canada.



Ephphatha Conference



Lunch with Queen Elizabeth

Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Mr. D. Bruce Jack, president of the Edmonton Association of the Deaf, lunched with Queen Elizabeth when she visited Edmonton last summer.

Mr. Jack was one of a group of people from every walk of life chosen by the welcoming committee to welcome the Queen. Mr. Jack represented the Deaf. The luncheon took place in front of the Legislative Building in Edmonton.

Mr. Jack considered it a great honor to have the privilege of participating in the welcoming ceremonies for the city of Edmonton in behalf of the Queen of England. To be chosen for the luncheon engagement was a great honor indeed. Mr. Jack said he would remember it all his life.

An active leader of the Deaf in the Edmonton area, Mr. Jack attends church regularly. He is an accountant, and his home is in Edmonton.

† Rosa Ursin †

San Jose, Calif. On June 4 the Lord called Rosa Ursin to the heavenly mansions which He prepares for His redeemed. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth. Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." Revelation 14:13.

Everyone who met her was enriched. The Deaf, the church, and the city of San Jose feel the loss of

this untiring worker in the Lord's vineyard and the community of the Deaf.

She was the daughter of Mr. Lars Larson, a deaf man. Mr. Larson was a Lutheran, to whom belongs the distinct honor of being the founder of the New Mexico School for the Deaf. His first building was paid for out of his own purse. He started with four pupils.

Rosa was seven years old then. Can you picture Rosa, working with her father in this venture, seeing his love in his deeds?

What she learned from him was through sign language. Rosa could hear, but her life was with us, a life of love and sacrifice.

Read about this wonderful family in *Representative Deaf Persons*, Second Edition, page 161.

GEORGE W. GAERTNER

Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary

Memphis, Tenn. Mr. and Mrs. Chester Correll of Memphis were married fifty years ago July 16. The happy couple celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on Sunday, July 12. Many friends, both deaf and hearing, attended the reception.

Mrs. Laura Correll is the daughter of the late C. C. Collins, a state Senator from Elizabethton, Tenn. Mr. Correll is a native of Memphis. Charter members of the Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Memphis, Mr. and Mrs. Collins have had the privilege and the pleasure of being

leaders of the Deaf both in the church and in the community.

Their marriage was blessed with one son, whom the Lord took from them in death twelve years ago. Rev. Wayne Bottlinger is their pastor.

Baptism

Omaha, Nebr. Kimsley Delia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Derby of Council Bluffs, Iowa, was baptized in Bethlehem Church in Omaha June 7. Sponsors by proxy were Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Fleenor.

Pastor A. E. Ferber Celebrates Anniversary

Kansas City, Mo. About 55 members and friends of Pilgrim Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Kansas City attended a reception July 19 for Rev. A. E. Ferber. The occasion marked Pastor Ferber's 35th year as leader of the group. He was presented a gift of \$75.

Received into Membership

Kansas City, Mo. Four students of the Kansas School for the Deaf made confession of their faith and were received into membership with the Lutheran Church of the Deaf on May 10. They are Jack L. Cooper, Gary A. Cunningham, Donald C. Hines, and Glenda L. Sewell.

Gift of Hearing-Aid Set

Kansas City, Mo. Pilgrim Lutheran Chapel and Congregation received a fine hearing-aid set. The Maico gift was presented by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schmahlfeldt. Pastor A. E. Ferber reports that it is giving fine service for receiving the Gospel message.

Services Extended to Jasper, Ala.

Memphis, Tenn. Rev. Wayne Bottlinger has announced services beginning in June for the Deaf in the area of Jasper, Ala. The services are scheduled monthly with the dates announced in the *North Dixie Newsletter*. The July service was announced for the 18th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Parrish.

Young Adult Group Organized

Omaha, Nebr. Bethlehem Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Omaha has broadened its service to the Deaf in Omaha to meet the specific needs of the young adult members of the congregation.

The first meeting was held July 10. Part of the program was an instructive movie on family life. Interest in the club was keen, and another meeting was immediately scheduled for Aug. 21.

Drowns in Swimming Pool

Omaha, Nebr. Mary Ann Matthews, twelve-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Matthews of Omaha, was drowned in an Omaha swimming pool June 7. She had been swimming with a girl friend who left early, and while she was swimming alone, struck her head on the bottom of the pool.

Mary Ann was a faithful member of Bethlehem Sunday School where she learned to know well the love of Jesus. Her parents and her four brothers and one sister are comforted by the promise of the Good Shepherd that no one can take His lambs from Him and that some day we shall all be together in heaven.

THE best translation of the Bible is its translation into your life.

"The Signs You See in Church"

The Sign for "God"

In the city of Paris there is a statue of the Abbe del Epee standing with a deaf child. He holds up his right hand with the letter D. The French word for "God" is "Dieu."

Later in this country, when the signs were introduced, the letter G was used. This was the sign for many years.

Another sign was admissible: the full hand, raised up somewhat above and in front of the head with a respectful movement towards the heavens. See Long's *Manual of Signs*, p. 126.

But in using the "G" hand, many pastors found a problem. How can one sign "Thou" or "You" when speaking to God? For example, in Psalm 140:6 we read, "I said unto the Lord, Thou art my God." The

sign for "Thou" and the sign for "God" would be so much the same that the sense would be lost. In order to have a sign for "Thou" it is best to use the full hand for the sign for God and the "G" hand for Thou or He.

It is because the need for this change appeared so often in sermons and instruction classes that the full hand has become the common sign for God.

In Psalm 18:2 we read: "The Lord is my Rock and my Fortress, my God, my Strength, in Him I will trust." In that verse the need for such a sign is very plain. It also gives us a variation. In Psalm 16:1 we read, "Preserve me, O God, in Thee do I trust." The sign is very helpful in psalms and in the signing of hymns.

G. W. GAERTNER

Thanks for the John of Beverly Medal

On Tuesday, June 23, while our Synod was in convention, the Lutheran Friends of the Deaf presented the John of Beverly Medal to the writer of these lines. And why was it given? Because of "Bringing Christ to the Deaf for over half a century" as the inscription reads. Therefore it was given unto the glory of our Savior's name.

Wonderful grace of God that the writer could bring Christ to the Deaf for 57 years! Wonderful grace, indeed! Hearty thanks to the Lutheran Friends of the Deaf who also were instrumental in establishing Mill Neck Manor, our Lutheran

School for the Deaf on Long Island, N. Y. May God richly bless them for it.

J. L. SALVNER

"A Hymn for the Deaf"

By THOMAS TIPLADY

My life, with silence fenced around,
A garden is where God is found;
And often, in a lonely hour,
I hear His voice and feel His power.

In cloistered calm my spirit dwells,
For in mine ear no tumult swells;
The voice of God alone I hear
And know the peace that casts out fear.

I see the flowers at break of morn
 A pathway for God's feet adorn;
 And watch the trees in worship
 bend
 As He goes by at daylight's end.

As noble thoughts upon it shine,
 I watch the human face divine,
 And, of my deafness unaware,
 A happy fellowship I share.

The door of sound is closed to me,
 But there is One who holds the key;
 He comes, as to the Upper Room,
 And drives away my fear and
 gloom.

He makes the deaf to hear His voice
 And in His presence to rejoice;
 And at His table food I share
 With all disciples gathered there.



Bible Quiz

To whom will God give the kingdom of glory with much pleasure?
 Luke 12:32.

What did the Jews say when they saw that the wind blew from the south? Luke 12:55.

What did Jesus, the Prince of Peace, say would be the result of His preaching because not all people would receive it the same way? Luke 12:52.

To show that the faith of a righteous person can save only him and no one else, which three persons does Ezekiel name as outstanding heroes of faith? Ezekiel 14:13, 14.

Which three disciples did Jesus take with Him as witnesses of special events when He did not wish to have the whole group present? Mark 5:37.

What are the false teachings called with which false prophetesses wanted to flatter the people to mislead them from the true worship to idolatry? Ezekiel 13:17-21.

What were the Hebrew priests held to do every time they approached the altar to burn an offering? Exodus 30:21.

What did some Christians eat who were weak in understanding and afraid they would sin if they ate meat bought in the heathen meat markets, being still under the impression that the Old Testament ceremonial laws about clean and unclean meat were to be obeyed in the New Testament? Romans 14:2.

A Christian must be dead and alive at the same time, but how is this possible? Romans 6:11.

Who is like a partridge that sits on eggs but does not hatch them, and what will he find out about himself in the end? Jeremiah 17:11.

What is the most deceitful and wicked thing? Jeremiah 17:9.

What did King Saul build after the victory over the Philistines at Beth-aven? 1 Samuel 14:35.

Why was Jonathan, King Saul's son, almost executed by his father if the people had not so strongly protested? 1 Samuel 14:24, 27, 44, 45.

Why did the tribe of Levi not get any inheritance like all the other tribes got in Canaan? Deuteronomy 10:8, 9.

Did Solomon's temple have wide or narrow windows? 1 Kings 6:4.

"Questions you may ask about Funerals"

If there is a sudden death in my family, what should I do?

First, call your family doctor. Then call your minister. If you are alone, call another member of the family or a close friend or neighbor to stay with you until you feel better. Then call the Funeral Home of your choice. Later you will also want to notify your bank.

If there is a death, and the family does not have a cemetery lot, what should I do?

Tell your Funeral Director. He will help you choose and buy one.

Should I buy a cemetery lot now?

If you know where you want to be buried, it is wise to make some of the arrangements now. But before you buy a lot in a cemetery, you must decide whether you want a single grave, two graves side by side, or a larger lot. If you are able to decide this, then you can visit some of the cemeteries in your city to find out about cost, rules, and arrangements.

How much does a cemetery lot cost?

That depends on where it is. In some cities lots cost more than in other cities. And lots in some cemeteries cost less than lots in other cemeteries. The only way to find out is to visit the cemeteries where you live and ask. But be sure to find out just what the price includes. The cost of the lot almost never pays for opening the grave for burial. This must be paid at the time of the funeral, and it has gone up in recent years. A shelter at the grave for the funeral service may cost ex-

tra. Some cemeteries charge extra for "perpetual care" even when the law says that all cemeteries must give perpetual care for the graves. Also look at the rules to see whether they say anything that will cost money. They will probably state that you must buy a vault of some kind or other. They may even want you to buy a certain kind of headstone. These are good rules, but they will mean that you must spend money. The important thing is to find out how much before you sign your name. Then you will be sure to be satisfied with the arrangements you have made.

Should I look for a headstone now?

You may if you wish, but it is not as important as a cemetery lot. The Yellow Pages of your telephone directory will give you a list of monument companies. But the headstone does not have to be put at the grave immediately. You may wait until after the funeral and then choose a headstone. First find out whether the cemetery has any rules about the kind of headstone you may choose.

How do I get a copy of the death certificate?

The Bureau of Vital Statistics of your state will supply as many as you want. In Pennsylvania the fee is \$1.00. If you ask your Funeral Director, he will get one for you, or more if you wish.

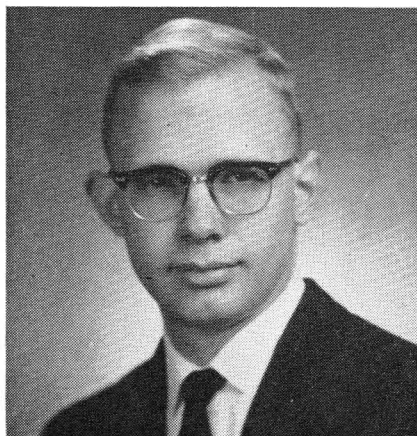
Should the Family stay at the Funeral Home all the time it is open before the funeral?

At least one member of the family should be there during visiting hours. These hours are often printed

in the death notice in the newspapers. If you cannot stay at the Funeral Home all the time, perhaps you could shorten the hours by making it clear in the newspaper what the visiting hours will be.

Rodney R. Ryneearson

Rodney R. Ryneearson, a graduate of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, was ordained and installed as the pastor of Faith Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Spokane, Wash., July 26. Rev. John A. Beyer of Seattle offici-



Rev. Rodney R. Ryneearson

ated, Pastors J. T. Nauss, Roland Koch, and Nathan Loesch participating in the laying on of hands.

Pastor Ryneearson grew up in Leigh, Nebr., and attended St. John's College in Winfield, Kans. His vicarage was divided between two Deaf Mission fields, three months in Omaha, Nebr., with Pastor Mappes, and nine months in South Chicago with Pastor Scheibert.

He was married June 22, 1958, to Rhoda Ryan in St. Louis.

In addition to the church in Spokane, Pastor Ryneearson will serve

the following cities in Montana: Great Falls, Lewistown, Billings, Butte, Missoula, and Bozeman.

A Thankoffering to the Lord

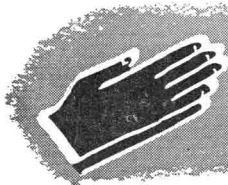
In the early part of this year, Mr. J. P. Miller, a member of our Board of Missions to the Deaf for the past 39 years, traveled to the West Coast in the interest of the Board to visit our churches for the Deaf at Los Angeles and Oakland, Calif. While visiting at Oakland, Mr. Miller desired an answer to a question that has puzzled him for many years.

Since 1932 the missionary, Dr. George W. Gaertner, serving Oakland, Berkeley, two state schools in Sacramento, had but in three instances sent in a statement for traveling expenses. To visit these cities regularly costs money, but how were all of these expenses paid?

The answer to this question was that two members of the Lutheran Church for the Deaf decided that in addition to their regular liberal contributions for the church debt, church maintenance, pastor's salary, they would willingly pay all the pastor's traveling expenses as part of their thankfulness to the Lord. Each month these two people supported our mission in northern California by paying the travel expenses which amounted to \$20 to \$25 each month. Over a period of years these contributions have amounted to a total of \$7,500. This was, indeed, generous help to our Board and a fine thank-offering to our Lord.

W. F. REINKING

*He that shall endure unto the end,
the same shall be saved. Matthew
24:13.*



Devotions

"Light for Your Way"

Daily Bible Readings for October

October 1 — Isaiah 44:21-23	October 15 — Hosea 13:14
October 2 — Ephesians 4:22-28	October 16 — Ephesians 6:10-17
October 3 — Matthew 9:1-8	October 17 — John 4:46-54
October 4 — Romans 7:14-25	October 18 — Psalm 73
October 5 — Psalm 39	October 19 — Psalm 118:1-8
October 6 — Matthew 21:28-44	October 20 — Matthew 18:1-20
October 7 — Romans 11:25-32	October 21 — Ephesians 4:30-32
October 8 — Isaiah 65:1, 2	October 22 — Deuteronomy 7:9-11
October 9 — Ephesians 5:15-21	October 23 — Philippians 1:3-11
October 10 — Matthew 22:1-14	October 24 — Matthew 18:23-35
October 11 — Psalm 57	October 25 — Psalm 119:9-16
October 12 — Psalm 112	October 26 — Mark 12:41-44
October 13 — John 4:31-42	October 27 — Romans 13:1-7
October 14 — Revelation 3:7-13	October 28 — Isaiah 32:1-8
	October 29 — Philippians 3:17-21
	October 30 — Matthew 22:15-22
	October 31 — Matthew 11:7-15

"Christ loved the church and gave Himself for it." Ephesians 5:25

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