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Rev. Gene Merrell Accepts Call to Minnesota

The Rev. Gene Merrell, pastor of Peace Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Indianapolis and the Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Evansville and missionary to the Deaf in the central and southern Indiana area, has accepted a call to Christ and Immanuel congregations in Albany, Minn. Rev. Merrell has served as missionary in our Deaf Mission since his graduation from Concordia Seminary in June of 1957. It is with deep regret that we see Rev. Merrell leave our mission to take up his new duties as pastor of the two hearing congregations in Minnesota. Pastor Merrell moved to Minnesota at the end of April, and the Indiana congregations voted to call a candidate from the seminaries as their new pastor. More information about this will be available next month. We wish Pastor Merrell God's richest blessings as he begins his work as a shepherd of a new flock in the kingdom of God.

Rev. A. E. Ferber Called to Texas

The Board of Missions to the Deaf has called the Rev. A. E. Ferber, Kansas City, Mo., to take over the work in the Texas-Oklahoma field, since Rev. Frederking had declined the call to Texas. No decision has been made at the time of this writing regarding the call.

Rev. Erwin Schroeder Suffers Heart Attack

Rev. Erwin Schroeder, institutional chaplain in the Minneapolis, Minn., area and secretary of our Board of Missions to the Deaf, suffered a heart attack on March 16. God is blessing the work of the doctors and giving power to medicine, so that gradually Rev. Schroeder is regaining his health. It will be several weeks before he will be able to resume his normal schedule of work.

New Preaching Stations Added

In recent months services for the Deaf have been begun at High Point, N. C., and Sikeston, Mo. In both these cities the Deaf have shown considerable interest in learning to know of God, their Savior, and have come out faithfully for the first services.

Rev. Drachenberg Accepts Call

Rev. Herbert Drachenberg, Silent Lutheran Church, Madison, Wis., has accepted a call to Monona Lutheran Congregation in Madison, Wis.

Some Eastern Fields Visited

It was my privilege during the month of March to visit our work among the Deaf in the eastern part of our country. After a 5-hour visit with Pastor Wagenknecht in Pittsburgh, Pa., I flew on to Connecticut, where I spent 31/2 days with Pastor Thaler, visiting the various schools in which he is working. The next day and a half was spent in New York City with Pastors Jasper and Anderson, and the last 31/2 days of the trip was spent in Newark. It was my privilege to sign the Palm Sunday service at St. Matthew's Church in Newark, since Pastor Gerhold had an attack of bursitis and was unable to use his right arm for a few days.

It is always a wonderful privilege to meet our fine Deaf laymen who are interested and active in helping to build the Kingdom of God among the Deaf.

Present plans call for a visit to the Great Lakes Regional Retreat at Camp Pioneer in June, to be followed with short visits in Rochester, Cleveland, Columbus, and Indianapolis. At the end of June I hope to attend the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf in Salem, Oreg., and to spend a few days prior to the convention with Pastor Ring and his congregation in Portland.

Candidates and Vicars

Since the Indianapolis Field has requested a candidate, the Board for Missions to the Deaf has requested from the Board of Assignments two candidates and three vicars. Assignments are announced at the two seminaries on May 2; however, candidates may not accept a call until they have been graduated.

May you all be filled with the Spirit of God in this Pentecost season that you will be bold and brave witnesses, eager to tell the saving truths of Jesus Christ our Savior to all with whom you come in contact.

W. F. REINKING



Pentecost



And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled

with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. (Acts 2:1-4)

The Feast of Pentecost (or the Feast of Weeks) was a Jewish festival commanded by God (Exodus 34:22). This was the second of the three major feasts when every male Israelite must appear before the Lord in the temple. It occurred 50 days (seven weeks) after the Feast of Unleavened Bread (the Passover). That is the reason for the name "Pentecost," which means 50 in the Greek language.

On this first Pentecost after the resurrection of Jesus many faithful Jews gathered in Jerusalem from many different cities and nations (Acts 2:8-11). They had come to give thanks to God for the harvest just completed. But they witnessed even greater blessings flowing from God — the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon His chosen apostles, as Jesus had promised before He ascended into heaven. (Luke 24:49; John 14:15-17; Acts 1:5)

The disciples, who were fearful, now became brave; before they had misunderstood, now they knew what God wanted them to do. Now they did not want praise or honor or glory. Now they were ready to give up everything to "preach the Gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). They suffered hunger and cold, persecution and jail, and even death, so that souls lost in the darkness of sin might be saved. There were times when large numbers believed, as on Pentecost Day, when 3,000 persons believed and were baptized (Acts 2:41). At other times only one or two would believe, or none would believe but instead show anger and hatred. (Acts 14:1-6)

And so it has continued from that first Pentecost until now, the Lord always adding to the number of believers those who should be saved. The Holy Spirit still works in the hearts and minds of people today, showing sin and its punishment, eternal death, and showing Christ, who has paid this punishment for us and gives us eternal life.

But unless a person learns about the love of God in Christ Jesus he cannot be saved, as St. Paul says in Romans 10:13-15. As members of the church, the body of Christ, we must obey the command of Christ and send the Gospel into all the world to the salvation of many souls. We obey, not from fear of punishment but because of love for Christ and His forgiveness of sins. Jesus loved us unto death on the cross. We should show our love by our prayers and our gifts for the work of His Church, Missions.

Jesus says to YOU, "Go into all the world; teach, preach, make disciples of all nations." Although you cannot visit every nation on earth yourself, you can carry out Christ's command with your daily prayers for missions. Ask God to bless the work of the men who have given up the comforts of life in the United States and the friendships of home to travel to faraway places to bring people God's Word. Ask God to protect the missionaries from harm and illness. Ask God to send more workers into the harvest.

And you can carry out Christ's command with your regular gifts of money to support mission work. More men cannot be sent unless there is money to pay the costs of the work. Lutheran Deaf people can and should support the church's missions much more generously than they have been doing. Remember how much God has done for YOU through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Then, with prayer, use your ability to give to carry out Jesus' mission command. C. BAILEY

Captioned Films for the Deaf

Washington, D. C. Captioned films for use of Deaf audiences had its beginning at the American School for the Deaf, West Hartford, Conn. It grew out of the idea of a film library for the Deaf originated by Emerson Romero of New York.

In November 1950 the Junior

League of Hartford pledged funds to establish a film bureau for the Deaf. This action came through the work of D. E. B. Boatner, superintendent of the American School for the Deaf. Jules P. Rakow, vocational principal of the school, volunteered to serve as technician. He wrote the film captions and solved a number of problems as they were encountered.

With this start the bureau has incorporated under the name of Captioned Films for the Deaf, Inc. Dr. Boatner was named president. Circulation of films was conducted on a rental basis. The operation continued through 1959 as a selfsupporting venture. Active assistance was given by Dr. Clarence D. O'Connor, superintendent of the Lexington School for the Deaf. Dorothy Spencer was chiefly responsible for handling film distribution. All personnel served on a voluntary basis.

In 1958 the Congress of the United States was prevailed upon to pass special legislation to give federal support to a captioned film program. Dr. Boatner gave active support to this bill. He was ably assisted by the National Association of the Deaf, the Conference of Executives of American Schools for the Deaf, the A. G. Bell Association for the Deaf, and many interested individuals. The enabling act was passed as Public Law 85—905 in 1958.

Funds did not become available to activate the program until July 1959. Administration of the program was assigned to the U.S. Office of Education. The Captioned Films for the Deaf program is headed by Mr. John A. Gough, formerly principal, Kendall School, Washington, D.C.

Transfer of films as a gift from

the Hartford operation to the Government began late in 1959, and a program of free loan of films was started.

Now in its second year of film circulation in the Office of Education, the Captioned Films for the Deaf Program is currently serving more than 500 groups of Deaf persons registered for the service. Monthly audiences are estimated at 3,500, and these include school groups, social clubs for the Deaf, state and civic groups, and a number of church groups. As of March 1961, 89 entertainment and cultural prints have been captioned and are in circulation, with an additional 60 prints in process.

A small beginning has been made with four prints each of 13 educational films. Carefully selected, these films will be used for a pilot demonstration for use in selected schools for the Deaf.

According to John A. Gough, chief of the Captioned Films for the Deaf program, one of the interesting paradoxes in education of the Deaf is that, although this segment of the population depends almost entirely upon its eyes for learning, the Deaf are afforded little use of visual aids such as exist in most schools of the nation. The answer lies in the fact that most filmed materials rely heavily on sound for interpretation. With oral language the chief avenue of communication, it is erroneous to assume that sound is secondary and that pictures alone can tell a story.

During the days of silent moving pictures, Deaf people considered the movies their best form of entertainment, but with the introduction of talking films this interest died almost immediately. Only with the advent of captioned films was there a renewed interest by the Deaf in motion pictures. For the Deaf adult the captioning problem is chiefly one of adding enough subtitles to enable him to get the general thread of the dialog or commentary.

However, captioned films for Deaf children are not quite so simple. In addition to hearing deficiencies, most children who are Deaf from infancy are handicapped by a severe lack of language. Captioned films for Deaf children pose a double challenge: to caption educational films in such a way that the language used in the subtitles will be meaningful to the Deaf child, and to develop an approach which will enable educators to use captioned films to assist in the growth of language in the Deaf child.

The response to the new film service has been most favorable. Any group of eight or more persons with impaired hearing is eligible to participate in the program. Borrowers receive films without expense except for payment of return postage. All subjects are on 16mm sound film with added titles in English to make the film understandable.

Among consultants to the program are Deaf teachers at Gallaudet College who write most of the captions for the films. One member of the staff of the Captioned Films Section, Malcolm Norwood, is a totally Deaf person. The Captioned Films for the Deaf program is not only a program for the Deaf, but is by the Deaf as well. It is a window through which the Deaf can pierce the wall of deafness and establish closer contact with the world as recorded on film.

The Captioned Films for the Deaf program was featured in the March 1961 issue of *News and Reports*, official newsletter of the U.S. Dept. of Health, Education, and Welfare, Office of Education. The major part of this article was taken from *News* and *Reports* and from an earlier announcement from the Office of Education.

Madison Field

Madison, Wis.

The Madison Field was created in the spring of 1959 with the division of an area formerly served by Pastor Martin Kosche and the installation of Rev. Herbert Drachenberg in June as pastor of Silent Lutheran Church, Madison, and missionary to the following preaching stations: Baraboo, Eau Claire, Black River Falls, La Crosse, Manitowoc, Menasha, Oshkosh, and Sheboygan, Wis.

The congregation was organized with the adoption of a constitution on October 26, 1949, under the leadership of Rev. Martin E. A. Mueller, who had been serving the congregation from Milwaukee, Wis.

In March 1960 the congregation called its first pastor, Rev. Robert Mackensen of Missovea, Mont. Pastor Mackensen accepted the call and was installed on June 11 of that year. Until 1952 Pastor Mackensen lived in Delavan, Wis., but since the early part of 1952 Silent Lutheran Church has had a resident pastor for the Madison area.

In April 1955 the congregation voted to buy the property of Saint Paul's Lutheran Church on Huxley



Silent Lutheran Church, Madison, Wis.

St. and to call Pastor Martin Kosche of Indianapolis, Ind. Pastor Kosche was installed in June 1955.

With the division of the field effective in 1959 Pastor Kosche moved to Delavan, and Pastor Herbert Drachenberg became pastor of Silent Lutheran Church.



Silent Lutheran Church before the addition undertaken and completed during 1960

On Feb. 9, 1960, the building committee approved plans for the construction of an addition to the facilities of Silent Lutheran Church. Committee members were William



The church basement, with mahogany paneling, is furnished with tables and chairs and features a fireplace donated by members of the congregation. Eric Sampson built the tables as well as a cart for the kitchen pictured on the next page

Binn, chairman, Robert Pagel, Robert Nichols, and Eric Sampson. Mr. Binn also drew up the original plans for the addition, which were followed with some modifications by the contractor.

Ground was broken on Feb. 15, and the new addition was dedicated on Aug. 14, 1960, in a special afternoon service. Rev. Alvin Berg, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, preached the sermon on the basis of the text "It is good for us to be here."

Before the day of dedication the entire building was painted by the men of the congregation under the direction of Robert Pagel.

Pastor Drachenberg has officiated at five baptisms and two weddings at Silent Lutheran Church since he became its pastor. Baptisms include Laura Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Davis, Oct. 11, 1959; Robert Bruce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nichols, Jan. 24, 1960; James Edward, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert



Palm Sunday worship service. Mrs. Leon Elmer signs a hymn. Gifts to the congregation in the sanctuary include the sanctuary chair donated by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Horgen, the baptismal font donated by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schrank, the chancel cross by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Daniels, missäl stand by Mr. and Mrs. Leon Elmer. The two spotlights at the top of the chancel are "black light" for use at special occasions. Chancel lighting includes a cluster of lights at the center measuring 600 wattis and four additional spotlights



The church kitchen. The refrigerator and stove were donated by the ladies of the congregation. A sink was donated by the Kohler Co. of Kohler, Wis.

Pagel, April 10, 1960; Jean Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Royal Eklof, Oct. 23, 1960; and Ruby Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Schultz, Jan. 22, 1961. Weddings were held for Mr. and Mrs. John Dye (nee Hazelton) Dec. 12, 1959, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Eickstedt (nee Nadler) July 2, 1960.

Officers of Silent Lutheran Church are Robert Pagel, president; Harold Schrank, vice-president; Royal Eklof, secretary; and Robert Nichols, treasurer.



Pastor Drachenberg in the church office. The cross on the wall was a gift of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Walsvik. Pastor Drachenberg considers the file at the right a very important part of his work, because it contains records of his work and of his official acts such as every pastor should keep in the congregation

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

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Ephphatha Conference

St. Louis, Mo. The annual Ephphatha Conference, national conference of Lutheran missionaries to the Deaf, will be held July 18 to 21 at Concordia College, Seward, Nebr.

Choir Participates in Worship Services

St. Louis, Mo. The Holy Cross Choir of the Lutheran Deaf Congregation in St. Louis is an important part of the beauty and the worship of divine services. The tenmember choir is under the direction of Raymond Trice. Mr. Trice follows the church year and chooses hymns to correspond with the theme of the sermon when possible. Usually five or six members of the choir sing at each service.

Five Members of Bethlehem Sunday School Confirmed

Omaha, Nebr. Five members of the Sunday School of Bethlehem Lutheran Church for the Deaf were confirmed in Omaha congregations on Palm Sunday. Charlotte Doering and Marvin Johnson were confirmed in Bethany Lutheran Church, and Elwyn Merrill, Leroy Meyer, and Wallace Philips were confirmed in Mount Olive Lutheran Church. Bethlehem Sunday School is conducted for hearing children of Deaf parents attending Bethlehem Lutheran Church for the Deaf.

Baptism

Columbus, Ohio. Margie Christina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Wilkerson of Cincinnati, Ohio, was baptized into the Christian faith on Sunday, March 12, at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Youth Group Organized in St. Louis

St. Louis, Mo. The Ephphatha Youth Group of Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Saint Louis, recently joined the Walther League and has organized an active program for its members. The first project undertaken by the group was the serving of an Easter breakfast for Holy Cross Congregation on Easter morning. Members of the group recently enjoyed a Chinese dinner at the home of Pastor and Mrs. Kraus.

Adult Confirmations

Omaha, Nebr. Miss Ruth Day, a resident of Immanuel Invalid Home in Omaha, was received into membership with the Lutheran Church at a private ceremony conducted at Immanuel Home on April 9.

Doral Owens of Kearney, after completing instruction in the Lutheran Catechism, was confirmed in the afternoon service at Kearney, Nebr., on April 23.

King of Kings Shown in Ohio

Columbus, Ohio. King of Kings, a silent film produced by the late Cecil B. De Mille on the life of Christ, was presented at three locations in the Columbus Field by Pastor William Ludwig last March. The three places were the Ohio Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf, Westerville, Ohio, Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Columbus, and the Ohio School for the Deaf, Columbus.

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League of Holy Cross Deaf Congregation sponsored the presentations of the film.

Wedding

Washington, D. C. Henry Lee Dorsev and Miss Carol Rush were united in marriage at Christ Lutheran Church, Washington, D.C., on April 15, with Pastor H. W. Hoemann officiating. Matron of honor was Mrs. O. W. Johnson, Carol's sister. Best man was Gerald Pelarski. Other members of the wedding party were Sharon Rose, flower girl; Miss Agnes Dunn, bridesmaid. Frank Turk, Kendall Moore, Charles McKenzie, and Daniel Lynch were groomsmen and ushers.

Midweek Services during Lent at Gallaudet College

Washington, D. C. Members of Gamma Delta, Lutheran student organization at Gallaudet College, participated in a series of midweek Lenten services held in the school chapel on Wednesdays during Lent at 9:30 P.M. James Alby led the worshipers in the singing of responses for the Order of Vespers. Reading the Passion history were Clifford Rowley, Bruce Becker, Jerry Siders, Dennis Smith, Robert Geesey, and Barry Kenney. Hymns were signed by the Misses Ruth Nelson and Muriel Heitke and by Mrs. Katherine Brown.

On the last evening before Easter vacation a special service of Holy Communion was held to commemorate Maundy Thursday. The Epistle and Gospel were read by James Alby.

Sermons for the midweek services were delivered by Lutheran Campus Pastor H. W. Hoemann.

Baptisms

St. Paul, Minn. Shawn Michael, Bruce Allan, and Carmita Marie Rodrigues, grandchildren of Mrs. Myrtle Mackay, were baptized at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church of St. Paul, Minn., on Sunday, April 9.

Interpret Good Friday TV Program

Newark, N. J. Rev. C. Roland Gerhold and Vicar Larry Harris interpreted a special program for Good Friday over WRCV-TV, Philadelphia, "The Day Death Died." The program was carried twice Good Friday afternoon at 1:45 and again at 5 o'clock.



Parents of deaf children catch a quick bite in the kitchen during the Easter party for Protestant children of the American school

Easter Service and Party

W. Hartford, Conn. The annual Easter service and party for Protestant children at the American School for the Deaf in W. Hartford was held on Sunday, March 26. Approximately 135 children, parents, and Deaf adults attended the meeting at Bethany Lutheran Church, Rev. Earl Thaler, pastor.

A full-length movie, I Beheld His Glory, was interpreted by Pastor Thaler. After the movie the group



James Snow and Paul Rinas take part in a party game



Students participating in the annual Easter party load up their plates for refreshments

enjoyed games and refreshments. The party ended with a humorous French movie, *The Red Balloon*.

Protestant Guild Sponsors Mock Circus and Square Dance

Newark, N. J. The Protestant Guild for the Deaf, a service organization active in New Jersey, sponsored a mock circus and square dance on April 8, at the South Junior High School in Bloomfield, N.J. Proceeds of the affair will be deposited in a camp fund enabling Deaf young people from New Jersey to attend summer camp. Dennis Memorial Camp, Stillwater, N. J., will accept Deaf children and young adults ages 7 to 17 for a two-week program Aug. 5-19. Information on the New Jersey summer camp for the Deaf may be obtained from Rev. C. Roland Gerhold, 510 Parker St., Newark 4, N.J.

The Protestant Guild also makes it financially possible for Protestant graduates of the New Jersey School for the Deaf to attend the annual Lutheran Deaf retreat of the Atlantic Region.

Mrs. Margaret Grutzmacher

New York, N.Y. Mrs. Margaret Grutzmacher departed this life on Saturday, March 11. The funeral was held at Farmingdale, L. I., on March 14, with interment at Pinelawn Cemetery. Pastor Orlin Anderson officiated.

Wedding

New York, N. Y. Arthur Sargeant and Miss Peggy Hocker were united in marriage at Mount Zion Lutheran Church in New York on March 25. Rev. Orlin Anderson performed the ceremony.

Interpret Play

Newark, N. J. Three hundred Deaf in Newark and Trenton, N. J., saw "Christ in the Concrete City," a play presented by the Cross and Crown Actors. It was interpreted by Pastor C. Roland Gerhold and Vicar Larry Harris. On Friday, March 31, they interpreted the play for the New York-New Jersey Good Friday service at Redeemer Chapel, 422 W. 44th St., N. Y., N. Y.

Lay Conference to Be Held at Springfield, Ill.

Jacksonville, Ill. A lay conference for the Deaf of three fields (Saint Louis, Central Illinois, and Indianapolis) will be held June 10—11 at Camp Cilca, 12 miles northwest of Springfield, Ill.

Atlantic Regional Retreat

Newark, N.J. The Atlantic regional retreat will be held June 9 to 11 at the Flanders Hotel, Ocean City, N.J., The Atlantic Region includes four fields: New England, New York City, New Jersey, and Washington, D.C.

Great Lakes Regional Lay Conference

Rochester, N. Y. The annual lay conference for the Great Lakes Region will be held June 2—4 at Camp Pioneer, near Angola, N. Y. Since the realignment of regions became effective on Jan. 1, 1961, the following fields are included in the Great Lakes Region: Rochester, N. Y., Pittsburgh, Pa., Cleveland, Ohio, Colmbus, Ohio, Detroit, Mich.

Confirmed

W. Hartford, Conn. Miss Joan A. Palermo of East Boston was confirmed into membership with the New England Lutheran Church of the Deaf by Pastor Earl Thaler at Worcester, Mass., on March 12. Services for the Deaf are conducted twice monthly in the Worcester area by Pastor Thaler.



Miss Joan A. Palermo is confirmed by Pastor Earl Thaler

Immediately following the service a surprise party was held in Joan's honor. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Naschke furnished a cake. A bronze cross was presented to Miss Palermo by Pastor and Mrs. Thaler. The cross was a gift of the Worcester congregation. Miss Palermo also received a Lutheran necklace and *Lutheran Book of Prayer* from Pastor and Mrs. Thaler.

Atlantic Regional Retreat

Newark, N.J. The annual Lutheran Deaf retreat of the Atlantic Region will be held June 9 to 11 at Flanders Hotel, Ocean City, N.J.

Spaghetti Supper for Confirmands

W. Hartford, Conn. Pastor Earl Thaler sponsored a spaghetti supper and fellowship evening for members of the confirmation class in West Hartford on March 19.

Activities for the evening included movies and the presentation of pins with the word "Lutheran" inscribed on them. Each member of the class received such a pin together with the admonition to study the Word of God and the teachings of the Lutheran Church.

A special treat during the fellowship meal was a colored egg which the guests were told to peel as they would a hard-boiled egg. Inside was not an egg but different-colored



Pastor Earl Thaler presents pin to Miss Judy Charlton of North Leeds, Maine

jello. The eggs were prepared for the occasion by Mrs. G. Rinas.

Members of the confirmation class are: James Bethell, Brenda Blake, Judy Charlton, Melvin Eaton, Terry Gennett, Lewis Hobbs, Thomas Kraft, Jane Kuzoian, Edy Lecis, Debbie Ludwig, Bruce McNeish, Edward Nicholas, William Pearson, Paul Rinas, Gregory Roche, James Snow, George Taft, Joan Umlauf, Harold West, Stanley Ferris, Ronald Ferris.



Fellowship meal for confirmation class at W. Hartford, Conn.

Pittsburgh Men's Club Elects Officers

Pittsburgh, Pa. The men's club of Trinity Lutheran Church of the Deaf in Pittsburgh elected officers on March 5. They are M. Mowl, president; D. Mowl, vice-president; H. Otterman, secretary; L. Kieffer, treasurer.

Expression of Sympathy

Washington, D.C. The Lutheran Beacon, newsletter for the Indianapolis Field, reported in April that Pastor Martin G. Kosche's mother departed this life on March 9 after a short illness. In behalf of Lutheran missionaries to the Deaf and the Board for Missions to the Deaf the DEAF LUTHERAN extends to Pastor Kosche this expression of sincere sympathy.

New Members in Nashville

Nashville, Tenn. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Berg and their daughter, Gail Jean Berg, were received into membership with the Lutheran church at Nashville, Tenn., on April 16. Mr. Berg was confirmed, Mrs. Berg received by transfer, and Gail was baptized. In addition to the Berg family, James Peach was admitted to membership by the rite of confirmation. Rev. Wayne Bottlinger is their pastor.

Combined Services for Holy Week

Memphis, Tenn. Calvary Lutheran Church, a hearing congregation in Memphis, invited the members of Peace Deaf Congregation to worship with them on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Vicar Walter Busby interpreted the worship services for the Deaf who attended.

Lutheran Women's Missionary League International Convention

Pittsburgh, Pa. The ninth biennial international convention of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League will be held July 26 and 27 at Pittsburgh, Pa. For the first time in LWML international convention history a missionary to the Deaf will interpret the sessions. Rev. Frank Wagenknecht, 1335 Commercial St., Pittsburgh 18, requests Deaf members of the LWML who are planning to attend the convention to notify him. He hopes to arrange a social evening for delegates and guests at the convention.

Delegate registration is \$18, which includes registration, convention packet, Wednesday evening reception, two luncheons, and the banquet. Delegate registration forms and instructions are available from vour district president. Guest registration is \$2.00 and includes the convention packet, Wednesday evening reception, and any or all convention sessions. Guest registration form appears in the April LWML Quarterly. Registration forms with check or money order should be sent no later than June 12 to Miss Anna Mae De Mart, 7761 Frank St., Pittsburgh 27, Pa.

Hotel reservations for the convention should be made with the Pittsburgh Hilton Hotel two weeks prior to the opening of the convention.

Deaf congregations with LWML chapters are urged to give thoughtful attention to this international convention and the opportunity which it affords a delegate or guest who is Deaf to take part in the convention proceedings by means of the interpreter, Pastor Wagenknecht.



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- June 1 James 5:7-12 June 2 — James 5:13-20 June 3 — Song of Solomon 1:1-17 June 4 — Song of Solomon 2:1-7 June 5 — Song of Solomon 2:8-17 June 6 — Song of Solomon 3:1-5 June 7 — Song of Solomon 4:1-8 June 8 — Song of Solomon 4:9-16 June 9 — Song of Solomon 5:1-8 June 10 — Song of Solomon 5:9-16 June 11 — Song of Solomon 6:1-13 June 12 — Song of Solomon 7:1-13 June 13 — Song of Solomon 8:1-7 June 14 — Song of Solomon 8:8-14
- June 15 Nahum 1: 1-11 June 16 — Nahum 1: 12-15 June 17 — Nahum 2: 1-13 June 18 — Nahum 3: 1-7 June 19 — Nahum 3: 8-19 June 20 — 1 Peter 1: 1-12 June 21 — 1 Peter 1: 13-25 June 22 — 1 Peter 2: 1-10 June 23 — 1 Peter 2: 11-25 June 24 — 1 Peter 3: 13-22 June 25 — 1 Peter 3: 13-22 June 26 — 1 Peter 4: 1-11 June 27 — 1 Peter 4: 12-19 June 28 — 1 Peter 5: 1-14 June 29 — 2 Peter 1: 1-11
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