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The Gathering at Camp Augustana, July 24-28



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EPHPTHATHA CONFERENCE

Lake Geneva, Wis. Camp Augustana on beautiful Lake Geneva, Wis., provided an informal setting for this year's Ephphatha Conference of Lutheran pastors and workers of the deaf (LC-MS), July 24-28.

The emphasis of this year's program was sharing. This developed around a workshop led by Pastor Arnold Jonas in signing Scripture readings and hymns with the use of video tape equipment. In two other sessions pastors and workers shared ideas, materials, and visual aids that have helped in their ministry to the deaf.

Essays were presented to the conference for special consideration and study. Rev. Paul Dorr's subject was "Evangelism." He urged churches to be concerned with individuals--to help them personally as well as spiritually. Dr. Erwin Kolb, the newly appointed executive secretary of Synod's Evangelism Board, addressed the conference on Key '73's evangelism theme, "Calling the Continent to Christ."

Other essays were helpful also. Rev. Donald Zuhn's topic was "Church and State Relationships," and Rev. Robert Bauer conducted a two session study of "Behavior Modification and the Word of God."

Rev. Daniel Pokorny offered his observations of religious work among the deaf in Europe with highlights of his year's stay in Switzerland. He also introduced Mrs. Patricia Forsythe, who is associated in the U.S. government's Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. Mrs. Forsythe gave the conference insights into the origins of government programs for the deaf.

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SAINT--"A little child on a summer morning stood in a great Cathedral Church. The sunlight streamed through the beautiful stained glass windows and the figures in them of the servants of God were bright with brilliant color. A little later the question was asked, "What is a saint?" and the child replied, "A saint is a person who lets the light shine through."--Anonymous.

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MANY THANKS, FRIENDS

It now seems so long ago! We were in the hospital three weeks. We received so many get-well wishes friends all over the U.S. We are so-o late in saying, "Thank You." We now feel better that we have!

THE INTERNATIONAL LUTHERAN DEAF ASSOCIATION

A few words about the ILDA may be in order. What is the ILDA? What does it stand for? Who are the officers? Members? We want this explanation to be as simple as possible, but correct.

The members are Lutheran persons who are members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

What is the purpose of the organization? To allow these members to organize themselves into a strong group that can govern itself and the individual church to which they belong. Each church group elects its own officers and they work to manage their group in such a way that it becomes self-supporting--the Synod will help when needed to make the group self-supporting. The deaf people in these groups train themselves to handle their own affairs and build, or acquire their own church building.

When they are able to do these things, they can have a voice in the selection of a pastor for their congregation.

Members and representatives of these self-supporting congregations come together every two years and elect officers of the ILDA. There are still some problems, to be mutually settled between members of congregations and members in the field. It is hoped that members in the field will become affiliated with a congregation.

It is hoped that Lutheran peoples in other nations will organize themselves into self-sustaining groups and become members of the ILDA.

The DEAF LUTHERAN is recognized as the official organ(voice) or publication of these organized congregations in the ILDA. The ILDA, with the help of the Synod, is to assume the financial responsibility of issuing The DEAF LUTHERAN. The members and officers are to collect members and officers are to contribute the material to be printed in this paper. The Synod or designated officials will submit material for publication from time to time as needed.

As soon as certain matters can be arranged, the ILDA will take steps to become an incorporated group.

In plain words, the Board of Missions wants the deaf members to speak up, put up, and act on their wishes. The deaf are not to be a silent minority, but an active, participating group. They do not need to wait and let the minister speak for them--but, speak up for themselves...let their wishes be known.

EPHPHATHA CONFERENCE

Hosting the 1972 Ephphatha Conference was a great experience for us and for the members of Holy Cross congregation, Delavan. To the best of our knowledge it was the first time the conference was held in our area.

The conference consists of all the church workers of the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod who are engaged in Deaf Missions.

This year the meeting was held at Camp Augustana, near Williams Bay, Wis., with the exception of the opening Communion Service which was held at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Delavan.

In attendance were 37 pastors, 10 lay ministers, 2 parish workers, 3 vicars, 29 wives, 36 children and 29 guests for a total registration of 146 persons from all parts of the USA and Canada.

A new contemporary order of service was followed in the Communion Service. Rev. William Ludwig of Seattle, Wash. preached. Rev. Robert Corl of Madison served as liturgist, Rev. Kosche was celebrant, and Rev. Martin Mueller of Milwaukee was assistant celebrant. Vicar Ken Schnepf and layministers Bob Oettel and Wilhelm Wegner served as lay leaders. Rev. Orlin Anderson and Rev. Martin Hewitt signed hymns. The Milwaukee Sign Choir under the direction of Doris Myhre signed selections from Handel's "Messiah" and Bach's "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring."

Approximately 175 persons attended the service and 106 communed.

The ladies of Holy Cross congregation, assisted by several friends and members of Our Redeemer congregation, served a lunch after the service.

Business sessions were held at the camp. Essays delivered and discussed were: EVANGELISM by Rev. Dorr and Rev. Erwin Kolb of Synod's Dept. of Evangelism; CHURCH AND STATE by Rev. Zuhn; TRAITS OF DEAF PEOPLE by Rev. Bauer; CHURCH AND COMMUNITY by Mr. James Cross from Synod's office in St. Louis; and BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION by Rev. Bauer. Rev. Pokorny reported on the Deaf in Switzerland and surrounding countries. Rev. Jonas led several workshop sessions on signing. Regional meetings Thurs. evening gave opportunity to discuss budget planning for 1973 and to discuss the proposal for a new administration on a regional level for the Deaf Mission of our Synod.

The most important action taken by the 1972 conference no doubt was the adoption of resolution 72-01 in which the conference voted to support the plan for administration drawn up and suggested by the Regional Advisor's Council. This plan provides for administration on a regional level and would involve members of the mission departments of each Synodical district in the region, as well as deaf representatives from the region, the regional president, and the vice-president of ILDA for the region. The next step toward this plan of administration now is that the Regional Advisor's Council present it to the Synod's Board for Missions for adoption.

I think it was Rev. Hewitt who said these wise words: "The thing for us to do now is, not to see who can throw the first stone at this plan, but who will pick up the first stone and begin building with it." Well said. May this be the attitude of our Central Region too.

The conference enjoyed a boat ride around Lake Geneva on the "Belle of the Lake" on Tues. evening.

The 1973 conference will be held in the area of Kansas City, July 16-19. That will be immediately following the ILDA convention which is scheduled for Kansas City, July 12-15, 1973.

Members and friends of Holy Cross Church who helped with the 1972 conference were: Rev. Kosche, chairman of arrangements; Bill Wegner, assistant; Pearl Goff, chairman of the Mon. evening luncheon, assisted by Mrs. Beaver, Lorraine Saablewski, Betty Suhr, Rosa Jones, Mrs. Sveen, and Mrs. Tscharnier, and several See bottom P. 3

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The Regional Advisers Council presented their new plan for the administration of deaf missions. Some time was spent discussing this proposal in regional meetings as well as in open floor sessions. Then the conference adopted the following:

Resolution 72-01: Administration of Deaf Missions

WHEREAS, The Regional Advisers for Deaf Missions were given the task to produce a workable plan for the administration of Deaf Missions, and

WHEREAS, The most feasible, workable, and realistic proposal seems to be administering Deaf Work on a regional level; therefore be it

Resolved, That Ephphatha Conference thank the advisers for all the time, thought and planning put into this plan, and be it further

Resolved, That Ephphatha Conference encourage and support the Regional Advisers in their presenting this plan to the Board for Missions of Synod; and finally be it

Resolved, That the members of Ephphatha Conference implore the Board for Missions of Synod to give this plan its gracious attention and to give this plan a chance to work out this most difficult problem.

The Regional Advisers Council presented this proposal to the Board for Missions at their Sept. meeting. More information will be coming to pastors and congregations later from Rev. Herbert Rohe and the Regional Advisers.

Other resolutions were also adopted by the conference. Among them Ephphatha Conference (1) will select its program committee on a rotating regional basis, (2) defined the duties of its officers, (3) extended the term of office to four years, (4) will investigate the possibility of sensitivity training, (5) petitioned the Board for Missions to bring retired workers to Ephphatha Conference, (6) encouraged the conference chairman to appoint two wives of staff members to plan a program for those wives attending the conference, (7) appointed a visual aids committee (Pastors Anderson, Rynearson, Uhlig), (8) will choose a committee to establish and maintain dialog with the two Lutheran Schools for the Deaf for the purpose of sharing educational and pastoral concerns, (9) requested the development of a manual of recruitment and training that would include standards of proficiency and asked for a required evaluation process to help adequately train new workers, and (10) asked the Board for Missions to urge Concordia Seminary in St. Louis to grant academic credit to students involved in pre-service training.

We congratulate our pastors and workers who were honored on their anniversaries with scrolls for their service to the Lord: Pastor C. Roland Gerhold--30 years, Pastor Walter Busby--10 years, Mrs. Doris Myhre--10 years, Pastor Charles Jones--5 years, Pastor Daniel Hodgson--5 years, and Pastor Myron Prok--5 years.

Next year's Ephphatha Conference will meet near Kansas City, Mo., the location of the next International Lutheran Deaf Association Convention (July 12-15). The conference program committee represents the Pacific Region (Pastors Jonas, Mason, and lay worker Van Manen) and announced that next year's program may include (1) another workshop on signs with video taping, (2) a materials and visual aids fair, (3) discussion of the spirit movement in teaching and preaching, (4) ministry to deaf youth, (5) theology of interpersonal relationships, (6) total communication, (7) deaf responses to hearing pastors, and (8) relationship of lay workers to pastors.

--Ephphatha Conference Release

SACRIFICE

Lord, when I am weary
with toiling
And burdensome seem
Thy commands,
If my load should lead
to complaining,
Lord, show me Thy hands-
Thy nail-pierced hands,
Thy cross-torn hands-
My Savior, show me Thy
hands.

Christ, if ever my foot-
steps should falter
And I be prepared for
retreat,

If desert or thorn
cause lamenting,
Lord, show me Thy feet-
Thy bleeding feet,
Thy nail-scarred feet-
My Jesus, show me Thy
feet.
O God, dare I show Thee
My hands and my feet!
(Luke 24:40)

Thank the Lord for He
is good, God of gods,
and Lord of lords--He
loves us forever.
--Worship Supplement

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From bottom P. 2 members of Our Redeemer congregation. Ushers were August Kastner, David and Robbin Riggles, Elvin Sveen, Mark Thompson, George Tscharner and 2 members of Our Redeemer. Mr. and Mrs. Beaver presented the bread and wine for the Lord's Supper. Mrs. Kosche was coordinator of the baby sitting, which made it possible for the mothers to attend conference sessions.

--from Silent News Letter, Delavan, Wis.

Eastern New England Mission Installs New Pastor



Pastors Hodgson, Gerhold, Jones, Lutze and Manns

FOXBORO, MASS. The Rev. Charles E. Jones was installed as pastor to the deaf of the Eastern New England Lutheran Mission to the Deaf on Sunday, August 6, at a 5:00 p.m. Communion Service hosted by Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. The Rev. Paul Lutze, host pastor, was the celebrant and The Rev. Roland Gerhold, pastor of the St. Matthew Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Newark, N. J. was the preacher. The Rev. Daniel A. Hodgson, pastor of St. Matthew Lutheran Church for the Deaf, N. Y., N. Y., and Advisor for the Eastern Region of Deaf Ministry installed Rev. Jones as the second pastor to this area of ministry to the deaf since its division from the total New England field in 1965. The Rev. Richard Manns, area Vice President, represented the New England District in



The Rev. Charles E. Jones is welcomed by Members of Lutheran Mission to the Deaf of Eastern New England following the Service of Installation.

the service. Local clergy and members of the Deaf Mission greeted Pastor and Mrs. Jones in the fellowship hall during a buffet supper served by deaf members of the field.

Pastor Jones will minister to deaf youth and adults in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont. In addition to serving the many schools for the deaf in this area, he will also serve a number of groups of deaf Lutherans in various cities throughout these states. One of Pastor Jones' goals will be to inform, involve and train more lay persons to serve with him in religious education programs he will conduct.

Pastor Hodgson Honored



Pastor Hodgson receives a gift at the surprise party. Mr. Simonangeli, Mr. Treibel and Miss Pulver look on.

Philadelphia-South New Jersey.-On July 16, a surprise party was given for Rev. Daniel Hodgson, pastor of St. Matthews Lutheran Church for the Deaf at Elmhurst, N. Y., and vacancy pastor to Southern New Jersey-Philadelphia Lutheran Mission to the Deaf at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, Pa. We thank Pastor Hodgson for his great and wonderful work and kindness and faithful worship with us for more than two years while we waited patiently for our Lord to send us a pastor. Now, we can praise Christ for His gift of Pastor Jerold Munz. And now we thank Him. May God be with Pastor Hodgson and his family who helped us in Christian love.

The cake for the party read: "Thank You Rev. Daniel Hodgson. May God Be With You Always."

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Glenny and Mr. Ettore Simonangeli were co-chairmen for the surprise party.

Youngsters At Camp



Happy Campers From the Deaf Youth Camp Sponsored By the Metro, N. Y. Lutheran Mission to the Deaf.

Elmhurst, N. Y.-July 8-15 was Deaf Youth Camp Week at Camp of Pines for 17 deaf and 5 hearing young people from Metro N. Y. Lutheran Mission for the Deaf. With almost perfect weather, these young people enjoyed swimming, canoeing, volleyball, softball, handicrafts, nature crafts, and bible study in the beautiful surroundings of Schroon Lake in up-state New York. Thanks to the generous support from the Albany-Schnectady LLL, local groups and individuals some of these campers were granted scholarships which made it possible for them to attend.

One of the highlights of the camping week was "Talent Night" in which our deaf youth presented several pantomime skits which they developed themselves. They had as much fun as did those who watched"



Rev. Jerold Munz Installed At St. Luke's Church



The Rev. and Mrs. Munz cutting the cake at the reception following the Installation Service.

Photo on right.

Back row: Rev. F. Goos, retiring pastor to deaf of St. Philip's; Rev. H. Leber, pastor of Bethany Lutheran of Trenton, N. J.; Rev. W. Zeile, President of the New Jersey District; Rev. H. Rohe, Secretary for Deaf Missions; Rev. F. Shearer, former pastor to deaf in Allentown & Reading, former execu-



tive of South-East Pa. Synod Committee on Social Ministries; Rev. D. Hodgson, pastor to deaf, New York; Rev. G. Gerhold, pastor to deaf, Newark; Rev. B. Lieske, pastor of St. Luke's Lutheran of Philadelphia (in whose church the Installation Service was held); Front row: Rev. P. Kraft, pastor of Grace Lutheran of Warminster, Pa.; Rev. C. Jones, pastor to deaf, Boston; Rev. R. Muller, pastor to deaf, Washington-Baltimore; Rev. J. Munz, pastor to deaf, South New Jersey-Philadelphia.

More than 75 people attended the August 13, 1972 Installation Service for Rev. Jerold Munz at St. Luke's Church on St. Vincent and Castor Avenues in Philadelphia, Penna., Rev. Daniel Hodgson, our vacancy pastor for more than two and a half years, preached on how we can help Pastor Munz be our shepherd. Rev. Rohe, Secretary for Deaf Missions, installed Rev. Jerold Munz as pastor to the South Jersey-Philadelphia field. Rev. Jones, Rev. Lieske, Rev. Gerhold and Rev. Muller assisted in the service. After the service, a delicious buffet dinner was served and a cake presented

The cake read "welcome to Rev. and Mrs. J. Munz - May God Bless You." The cake was decorated with a bible and a cross. The Buffet Dinner was planned by co-chairmen Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Glenney and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Musick. Now, with Pastor Munz we will continue working together and continue growing in the Christian faith. We give thanks to the Lord and that the Lord has given us a wonderful gift--a pastor to our field.

Prayer: Thank You dear God for loving us and thank You Jesus for taking away our sins. Teach us dear God to pray always and faithfully to You. Amen.

The Open House celebration was hosted by daughters and sons-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Derond DeWeese and Mr. and Mrs. Matt Troha at the DeWeese home on Church Road, Bow, Wash.

The serving table was graced with a beautiful 3-tiered cake, decorated with fresh yellow chrysanthemums topped with a yellow rosebud nosegay.

A note of nostalgia was created when a great granddaughter, Barbara Welling, wore the 60-year-old wedding dress and Mrs. Krause's wedding ring. Barbara also presided over the punch bowl.

The couple met while students at the School for the Deaf in Vancouver, Wash., and were married three years after their 1909 graduation.

The outdoor wedding was held in the orchard of her parents home near Mt. Vernon and they honeymooned in Othello near his parents.

As newly weds, they made their home in Mt. Vernon, later moving to Anacortes. In 1926, Mrs. Krause was baptized and both were confirmed into the Lutheran church.

They were happy to receive congratulations from President Richard Nixon.



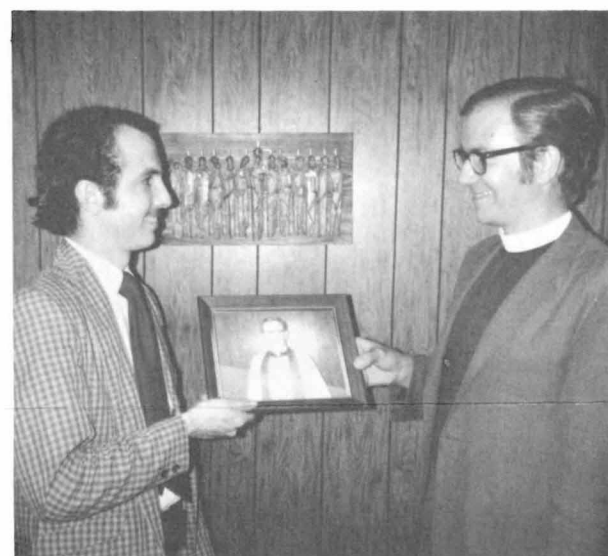
50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE ORDINATION OF REV. ERNEST SCHEIBERT

On Sunday, September 10, 1972, the 50th Anniversary of the Ordination of Rev. Ernest Scheibert, will be noted during the morning worship service in the congregation of which Rev. Scheibert is presently a member, Lutheran Church of the Apostles, 10429 West Fullerton Avenue, Melrose Park, Ill., 60164. Rev. Scheibert was ordained the last Sunday of August, 1922, and spent his active ministry serving the deaf in Detroit and Chicago.

Messages of congratulation would be appreciated by the friends of Rev. Scheibert.



ST. MATTHEW AND ST. MARK OF NEW YORK CITY HONOR PASTOR DANIEL HODGSON



A surprise Fifth Year Anniversary Dinner was given in honor of Pastor Daniel Hodgson by the congregations of St. Matthew Lutheran Church for the Deaf of Elmhurst and St. Mark Lutheran Church for the Deaf of Harlem on June 18, 1972.

For the past five years, Pastor Hodgson's work has been among the deaf of both St. Matthew's and St. Mark's of New York City. He is currently serving as Regional Advisor to the Eastern Region of the Missions to the Deaf of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. He serves the deaf at Rockland Street Hospital with weekly chapel services and conducts classes in the sign language for the staff. He works in the various schools for the deaf teaching religion to the children. He is a member of the Registry of Interpreters of the Deaf, in which he now holds the office of Recording Secretary.

President Warren King presented two gifts to Pastor Hodgson to show our appreciation for his wonderful work for the deaf people. Many more gifts were also presented by various members and groups.

Five long years have passed and it has been a wonderful pleasure to have Pastor Hodgson with us. He had done so much for all of us in so many ways. We pray that he will be able to continue his ministry with us for many more years--God willing.

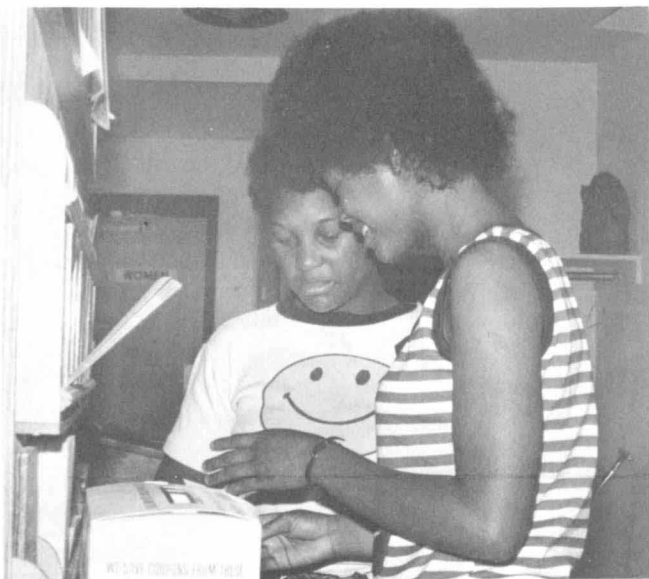
The place of CHARITY, like that of God, is everywhere.--Quarles

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES HONOR MR. AND MRS. DAVID H. KRAUSE ON 60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Over 175 relatives and friends gathered on June 18, 1972 to honor Mr. and Mrs. David H. Krause on their 60th wedding anniversary. Mr. Krause is 84 and Mrs. Krause is 82 years of age.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ENJOYED AT MEMPHIS ETERNAL MERCY LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR THE DEAF



Imagine! During the hot, humid weather of the Mid-South, the the children of Memphis had the joy of learning about the Saviour Jesus Christ at the Saturday Vacation Bible School. It took hard work and hard workers to make it a success, and we had plenty of both this year! Over forty children came to learn God's Word from the dedicated staff of seven teachers: Miss Margaret Streich, Mrs. Henry Long, Mrs. Janet Leber, Miss Ruth Fangmeier, Miss Ginny Schultz, Mr. Robert Case and Rev. Leber. In Art Craft Mrs. Wallace, in the Kitchen Mrs. Joy McKittrick and Mrs. Mazy Case. The driver and photographer Mr. Robert Fargo, and the helpers Cindy Case and Greta Greer.

The SVBS began at 9 a.m. on Saturday with fifteen minutes devotion before breaking up into groups to study the Bible lessons. (See the photo with the group and their workbooks with the teacher Mr. Robert Case assisting them) At 10 a.m.

the children began working in their Art Craft making a variety of things under the guidance of Mrs. Wallace. The children were allowed to take their finished projects home at noon. Between 10:30 and 11:00 a.m., separate groups went

CHILDREN'S PAGE



My Dear Young Friends:

Do not think that I had forgotten you! I have all your names here before me: Linda, Rhonda, Michael, Emma, Lori, Bessie, Frances and now Laura. At first, I was sick in the hospital for awhile. Then, I had to fly to Florida for the funerals of two loved ones in my family.

While I was in Florida, a grandniece Laura Jones, helped me select some conundrums or riddles for you to answer: Here they are

1. What bites but isn't alive?
2. What is always broken before it is used?
3. What has one horn, and gives milk?
4. Why did the soldier salute the refrigerator?
5. What two animals follow you wherever you go?
6. Why is a football stadium cold?
7. How do the ghosts open the gate?
8. Why does the moon go to the bank?
9. Why is A like a flower?
10. Why is a river very rich?

Answers next month.

GARDENING TIME

(Anytime is garden time)

FIRST, Plant five rows of peas:

Presence
Preparation
Promptness
Purity
Perseverance

NEXT, Plant three rows of squash:

Squash gossip
Squash criticism
Squash indifference

THEN, Plant four rows of lettuce:

Let us be faithful to duty
Let us be unselfish and loyal
Let us be true to our obligations
Let us love one another

LAST, Plant four rows of turnips:

Turn up for important meetings
Turn up with a smile
Turn up with new ideas
Turn up with determination to make
everything count for something
worthwhile.

--Contributed

OLDEN, GOLDEN SCHOOL DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN!!!

outside for recreation in a wide variety of games. (See the photo of the children playing tag ball.) After that, they went inside to get their cookies and Kool-Aid from the kitchen.. Then, another lesson from 11:15 until noon-- closing with a hymn and a prayer. This wonderful time ended so soon that everyone was so sorry to have it end! The SVBS ended with a morning devotion, a frolic swim at a Center nearby, and refreshments served afterwards. The EMCLD is looking forward to the next SVBS.