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■ Martin, Arkadelphia Superintendent;  
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## Optimism characterizes session of Little Rock Conference

The spirit of optimism was present in the District Superintendents' Report and the opening message at the Little Rock Annual Conference and continued throughout the meeting. The session was held at First United Methodist Church, Hot Springs, May 18-21, with Bishop Paul V. Galloway presiding and Bishop H. Ellis Finger of Nashville, Tenn. as the conference preacher.

The Rev. George W. Martin, pastor of First Church, Malvern, was named the new district superintendent of the Arkadelphia District, succeeding Dr. Otto W. Teague, who retired at this session of the conference. Appointed to the post of conference program director was the Rev. Everett Vinson,

pastor of First Church, Hope. He succeeds Dr. W. Neill Hart who retired.

Four members of the conference and one associate member were retired at this session of the conference, while eight members were received into full connection, including the Rev. Merle A. Johnson, from the Southern Baptist Church.

Retiring were: Dr. Fred R. Harrison, pastor of First Church, Arkadelphia; Dr. W. Neill Hart, conference program director; Dr. Otto W. Teague, district superintendent of the Arkadelphia District; the Rev. Irl Bridenthal, pastor of Hunter Memorial Church, Little Rock; and the Rev. Dewey McCauley, pastor of Pleasant Grove Church in the Cam-

Everett M. Vinson

George W. Martin

den District.

Those received into full membership, in addition to Mr. Johnson, were: the Rev. Ralph Hemund, the Rev. Louis Averitt, the Rev. George Butcher, the Rev. Mrs. Dorothy Claiborne, the Rev. Rodney Nicholson, the Rev. David F. Prothro, and the Rev. Jerry K. Yarbrough.

The conference approved "in principle" the plans of Philander Smith College, Little Rock, for a Capitol Funds Campaign. The conference adopted the recommendation of its World Service and Finance Commission which

would give the college authority to seek \$110,000 during 1971 and 1972 for debt liquidation, faculty enrichment, endowed scholarships, library books and equipment, capital improvements and the building of a talent development center and science building.

The World Service report as adopted also included an item of \$2,000 for the budget of the Program Council of the Southwest Annual Conference.

The conference praised the work of the delegates who produced the proposed new State Constitution and urged

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## Commencement at Philander Smith

The Rev. Marine Webb Williams, pastor of Greater Archview Baptist Church, Little Rock, was the speaker for the Baccalaureate Service at Philander Smith College, Sunday, May 24. The service was held in Wesley United Methodist Church adjacent to the college campus.

Dr. Lawrence N. Davis, president of Arkansas A.M. and N. College, Pine Bluff, was the speaker for the Commencement Exercises at 6 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium of the College.

Honorary degrees of doctor of humanities were conferred on Hilmar A. Fick, Hot Springs layman who recently established a foundation to encourage higher education of Negroes at Philander Smith, Shorter College and Hendrix College, and William H. Fowler,

an alumnus of Philander Smith who is assistant superintendent for personnel of the Little Rock School District.

Receiving the degree for Mr. Fick was Dr. C. Ray Hozendorf, Little Rock District Superintendent and a member of the Board of Trustees of Philander Smith.

Following commencement Dr. Walter R. Hazzard, president, was host at a reception which was held in Kelly Hall.

Other commencement activities at the college included: Senior Class Night on Thursday evening; Vesper Services at the Fine Arts Auditorium just prior to commencement; and the all-college picnic held on May 16 in Burns Park, North Little Rock.

## Southwest Annual Conference will meet at Wesley Church, Little Rock

Bishop Paul V. Galloway will preside over the Forty-second session of the Southwest Annual Conference, June 1-4 at Wesley United Methodist Church and Philander Smith College, Little Rock.

Preachers during the session of the conference will include Dr. Negail Riley, member of the Southwest Conference who serves on the staff of the General Board of Missions; Dr. John P. Miles, pastor of First United Methodist Church, Arkadelphia; and Dr. W. D. Lester, host-pastor who recently retired after a distinguished period of service with the General Board of Evangelism.

Tuesday evening will be observed as Philander Smith College Night with an address by Dr. Walter R. Hazzard,

the president.

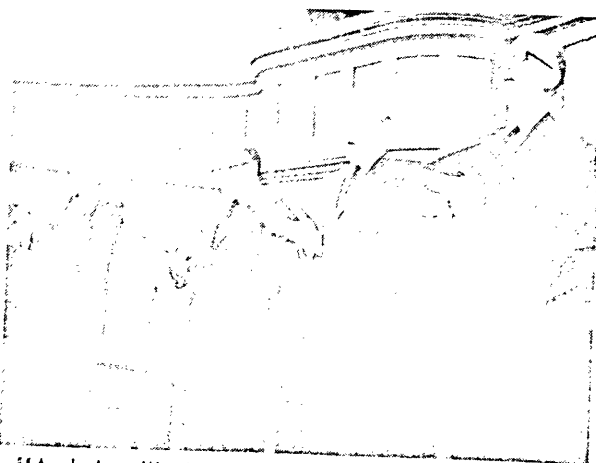
Dr. Riley will bring the message for the opening Service of Holy Communion on Monday evening. The Rev. C. G. Tillman will officiate at the Memorial Service on Tuesday morning and the Rev. A. S. Wamble will preach the sermon.

Dr. Miles will preach at the noon worship hour on Wednesday and Dr. Lester will bring the message at the Wednesday evening worship hour.

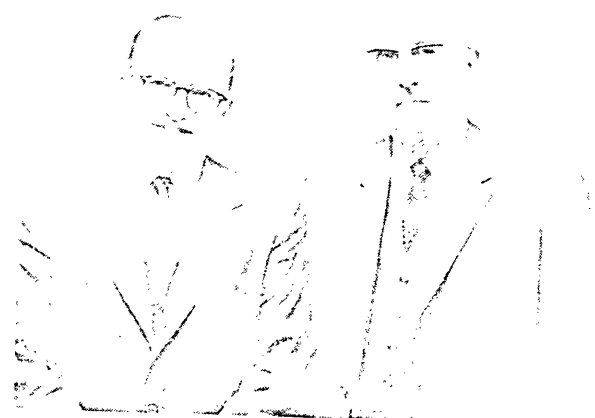
In the Southwest Conference there are two districts. Dr. E. M. Johnson, is the superintendent of the Arkansas District, and Dr. E. L. Stewart is superintendent of the Oklahoma District.

The conference will close on Thursday morning with the reading of the appointments.

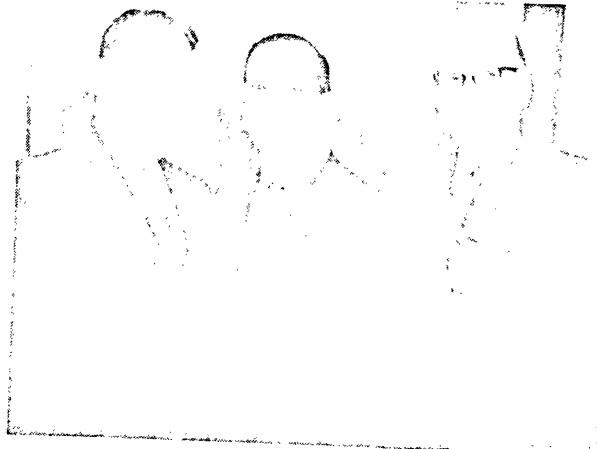
## Pictures from opening of North Arkansas Annual Conference



"And Are We Yet Alive" sang the North Arkansas Conference at its opening session, ably led by Bishop Paul V. Galloway, the Rev. Ben F. Jordan, host pastor; the Rev. William P. Connell, preacher for the Communion Service; and Dr. J. Ralph Clayton, host district superintendent.



Bishop Paul V. Galloway, right, is shown with Dr. Mack Stokes, conference preacher following the Monday evening service in First Church, Conway.



Dr. Charles Whittle, center, speaker for the Monday evening Evangelism Dinner, is shown with the Rev. W. Leonard Byers, left, secretary of evangelism, and the Rev. Floyd G. Vilines, Jr., chairman of the conference Board of Evangelism.

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## Little Rock Conference

ed its local churches to study the document which will be before the Arkansas voters in the General Election this year.

Receiving "Rural Church of the Year" awards at the annual Town and Country Banquet were Salem United Methodist Church in the Little Rock District, the Rev. Don Williams, pastor, cited as the small town church of the year, and the Center Grove United Methodist Church in the Arkadelphia District, the Rev. David Hankins, Jr., pastor, chosen as the open country church of the year.

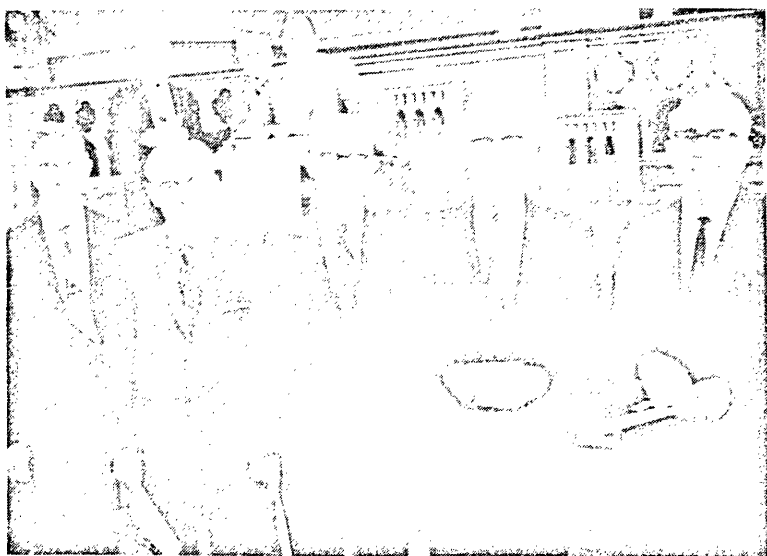
Speaking as a part of the report of the Board of Education, Dr. Roy Shilling, Jr., president of Hendrix College asked for a new understanding of today's college young people.

He offered three suggestions as aids to such an understanding. First, he said, "Contrary to what Marshall McLuhan is telling people, the medium is not the message. The message from college students is not violence and confrontation, but something much deeper within the hearts of sincere young people."

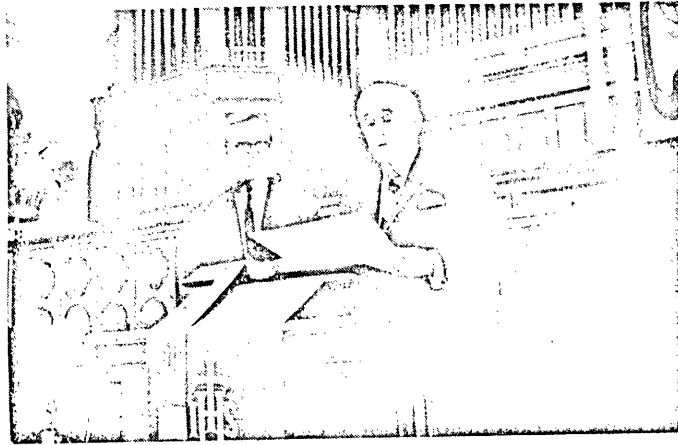
Then, he said, we need to be more accurate in dealing with contemporary issues — we are too prone to make generalized statements about these young people. A third suggestion was that we see that today's young people are deeply in need of a feeling of trust and appreciation.

A resume of reports adopted and other conference actions follow:

**District Superintendent's Report:** Dr. C. Ray Hozendorf, secretary of the Cabinet, made the collective report for the district superintendents, in which he reported a good response to the quadrennial program in the conference. He said: "a. A large number of the churches have carried out the study of the Sermon on the Mount; b. most churches have accepted the goals for the Fund for Reconciliation; c. a number of projects for Reconciliation have been initiated; d. the new structure of the United Methodist Church has been adopted by the majority of the churches and it is generally appreciated; and e. the mission of the local church has been defined and the clergy and the laity are increasingly involved in the ministry to the local community, the nation, and the world."



Retiring at the Little Rock Annual Conference were (l. to r.): the Rev. Irl Bridenthal, Dr. Otto W. Teague, Dr. Fred R. Harrison, Dr. W. Neill Hart, and the Rev. Dewey McCauley.



Bishop Paul V. Galloway is shown as he presented the Rev. Merle A. Johnson with his credentials as a minister of The United Methodist Church. Mr. Johnson was received as a full member in the Little Rock Conference, coming from the Southern Baptist Church.

**Statistics for 1969:** The Cabinet Report summarized the statistics for 1969 as follows: received on profession of faith — 1,106; received from other United Methodist churches — 2,101; received from other denominations — 446; persons dismissed in all ways — 3,929; present total church membership — 83,814; average attendance at main services of worship — 28,332; total church attendance at main services of worship — 28,332; total church school membership — 47,756; average attendance in church school — 26,113.

The Cabinet Report showed that total funds contributed by churches of the conference for 1969 amounted to — \$5,778,294.

Supplemental reports showed that churches have shown a net gain in membership of 571 in the first four months of 1970.

**Memorial Service:** Dr. Robert E. L. Bearden, pastor of First Church, Little Rock, preached the sermon for the Service of Commemoration on Tuesday morning. Ministers who died during the past conference year were: the Rev. A. J. Christie, the Rev. S. L. Durham, the Rev. John J. McKnight, the Rev. Ira M. Mitchell and the Rev. William H. Watson. Wives and widows who died during the year were: Mrs. J. D. Montgomery, Mrs. Paul Q. Rorie, and Mrs. Edgar Seay.

**Publishing Interests:** Dr. W. T. Handy, Jr. of the staff of the Methodist Publishing House was the leader for the opening service of worship on Tuesday morning, and later spoke of the

work of the Methodist Publishing House. He reported that changes made in The Discipline at the recent special session of the General Conference will appear this fall in a supplement to be attached to the 1968 Discipline.

Phil Yokum of the Dallas branch of Cokesbury presented a check for \$7,394.93 as the conference's share of the proceeds of the Publishing House for the pension program.

**Standing Rules Changes:** Two changes in the Standing Rules of the conference were proposed on Tuesday and adopted on Wednesday after "laying on the table" the required 24 hours. One presented by Dr. E. C. Rule calls for distribution or publication of the statistician's and treasurer's reports to members of the Annual Conference within 30 days after the close of the fiscal year. The other presented by the Rev. Carr Dee Racop fixes responsibility for furnishing memoirs of ministers who have died.

**Institutional Representatives:** Institutional Representatives who spoke during the conference included: Dr. Rohlfs of Southern Methodist University and Perkins School of Theology; Dr. Conwell Snoke, executive of the Methodist Investment Fund; Dr. Howard Miller of the Board of Pensions; the Rev. N. Lee Cate of Mount Sequoyah; the Rev. William C. Cheyne, Advance Department of the Board of Missions; Dr. W. Henry Goodloe and Paul Ramsey of the Arkansas Christian Civic Foundation; the Rev. J. Edwin Keith, Arkansas Methodist Children's Home; the Rev. Eugene Efird, Arkansas Release Guidance Foundation; and Dr. Alfred A. Knox, Arkansas Methodist.

**Advance Appeal:** During the presentation by Mr. Cheyne an appeal was made to the conference to share in the building of a pediatric wing to the hospital in Bolivia where Miss Helen Wilson, a missionary whose home church is First Church, Hot Springs, was made. Miss Wilson was present and was presented to the conference by Bishop Galloway.

**Archives and History:** In its presentation the Commission on Archives and History recommended that the conference authorize the placing of their historical records in the Bailey Library at Hendrix College and this was voted. The Rev. Harold Sadler, chairman, and the Rev. Michael R. Clayton, secretary, spoke of grave

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markers that are now available through the commission for use at the graves of Methodist ministers.

**Received as Probationary Members:** On the recommendation of the Board of Ministry, the following were received as probationary members of the conference: Sam Albright, Kenneth W. Kinard, Miss Elaine Smith, Michael A. Velchhoff, and Charles Edward Watt.

**Program Council:** Dr. C. Ray Hozendorf presented the report of the executive committee of the Conference Program Council, including words of appreciation for Dr. W. Neill Hart who retired as Conference Program Director, and announcing the selection of the Rev. Everett M. Vinson and the request that Bishop Galloway name him as Dr. Hart's successor.

In his final report, Dr. Hart said: " 'Holistic' is a new word in the vocabulary of most of us. It means 'wholeness' or 'oneness.' It also signifies a new principle at work in the United Methodist Church. We are told that ours should now be a 'holistic ministry,' that is, 'a whole ministry for the whole church.' "

**Board of Ministry:** The Rev. George W. Martin, chairman, and the Rev. Thomas A. Abney, registrar, guided the various portions of the report regarding the ministers and their conference relations. They also emphasized the importance of supporting the Ministerial Education Fund which will in the future support the scholarship program of the board and the seminaries of the church.

**Television, Radio and Film Committee:** The Rev. O. D. Peters urged the support of the work of this committee through the observance of TRAFCO Sunday in October.

**Board of Education:** Dr. Fred R. Harrison, chairman, presented the report, assisted by the Rev. William D. Elliott, secretary. Dr. Harrison, who retired at this conference, expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve as chairman of this board. Special note was taken of the leadership training activities including the Children's Choir Festival which has been held for the past two years. They also

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## MAN IN CONTROL OF MEDIA

"By understanding media, we can become their master rather than their slave." This is one of the key sentences in a very excellent book which has just come from the press. Entitled "Image and Impact—How Man Comes Through in the Mass Media," it is written by William F. Fore, executive director of the Broadcasting and Film Commission of the National Council of Churches. Never in our time has so much been said about the mass media; it behooves us all in the churches to become informed and then to make these marvelous tools our slaves instead of our masters.

Mr. Fore points out the important place that the mass media play in our present understanding of our world. He says, "It is not mere coincidence today that the growth of direct involvement in politics has occurred at the same moment that the nation has begun to see political assassinations, sit-ins, marches and street riots directly on their home screens."

The book affirms that the mass media not only reveal; they also withhold and restrict. The author says, "Life is full of distortions. So long as there have been men communicating there has been manipulation. But this is not a valid reason for avoiding an examination of communication. On the contrary, it is the main argument in favor of understanding media. Understanding media is the key to avoiding their tyranny."

Dr. Fore says: "As we read, hear and watch the mass media, they are either opening up our world or closing it. To a significant extent we can control this. We can control *what*, by our selection of subject matter. We can control *how*, by the way we react to what is presented. Reflect upon the media. As they reach us daily—and none of us can escape them entirely—what we bring to them may make the difference between who is master and who is slave."

In a very excellent third chapter, the writer speaks of the sharp contrast between the Biblical image of man and the image of man that comes across through the mass media. He makes a strong point of saying it is not just the content but the style of the media that distort the "man-in-control-over-nature" image which is cen-

tral in the Bible. He says, "To examine most profitably how the media tend to affect man and man's understanding of himself, we have to look at both the content and the style—the total impact of many exposures over a long period of time."

There is a fine chapter stressing the contributions that the media, beginning with the invention of moveable type, made to man's release from bondage—from slavery, poverty, ignorance, disease—from everything that is dehumanizing. But, on the other hand, we are told that now "the mass media act both to open up and to restrict this freedom. They are a releasing force, opening up a new world of ideas, places and peoples. They also constrict man's freedom by manipulation and stultification."

In underscoring why the church should be concerned about this whole matter, the author says: "This solution is not merely a public or national concern. It is a Christian concern. Without the freedom that comes with information, man is pressed into molds and restrictions that make him less than human. Without freedom, Abraham would never have entered the promised land. Without freedom, contemporary man would never achieve the fulness of life that God promises today."

The book tells us that mass media's dangerous quality is its ability to subvert man's reason. This they do with their major accent on entertainment, so they will hold the largest possible audience. They also systematically subvert man's reason in their out-and-out selling function. The author says, "With few exceptions, selling is an appeal more to emotion than to reason. . . Items where there are practically no difference between brands tend to

require the highest emotional responses."

Contrary to the widespread belief that television is the most accurate medium because of its possibilities of live coverage, the author quotes Richard Salant, president of CBS News, as he said: "I am opposed to live coverage because it is impossible to be accurate. You can get a small sporadic action and it can look like Armageddon, but it isn't." Then Dr. Fore adds: "Television with its implied 'pictures never lie' posture, distorts more than most media, simply because of its spectacular involvement and immediacy."

The author feels that our understanding of the media is imperative in three crucial realms today. He says: "In the areas of violence, race and politics, the mass media tend to reflect and magnify our news and information in ways that challenge our understanding of our own community and social structures. But the problem is inherent to the nature of our complex technological community and the way the media operate—not as some would fear, a nefarious plan on the part of evil persons to subvert our values and way of life. If anything it is caused by our way of life. The only realistic response for us is to understand the nature of the media and, in understanding, become less susceptible to their negative consequences and more open to their possibilities."

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## the Editor's Corner



### A Look at Annual Conferences

Each year at annual conference time there is a temptation to let one's mind glide backward to other years and other conferences. This may be a sign of aging, but it may also be an effort to put each conference in perspective.

Just for fun we estimated the number of annual conferences which we have now attended as a member or with responsibilities for reporting. It looks like it adds to 55, and we've loved every one of them.

There are also some faint memories of conferences held in the home church in Paragould during my boyhood, and of the exciting time when preachers came to stay at our house during conference.

Two of the most exciting issues debated in my own conference, as I recall, were those establishing the "sustentation program"—the forerunner of the minimum salary, and the plan to have all district superintendents paid a uniform salary.

Three conferences were missed during my stint in the chaplaincy, and I got back from the war in 1945 just in time for conference. I was appointed that year to Tuckerman while I was still in uniform and while there was still a little question as to whether I would be separated from the service in time to assume the charge. It did prove to be a sticky situation for a time.

I had responsibilities for two annual conferences during the period I served in Ohio. Both the Ohio and the North-East Ohio conferences met at the same place—Lakeside Methodist Assembly on Lake Erie. As a matter of fact, if you look it up in your Discipline you will discover that Lakeside, Ohio is officially designated as being in both annual conferences. This was done through special legislation so neither group would be meeting outside its boundaries.

Conference is a busy time—but it's fun!

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# news and views

OF THE WORLD OF RELIGION

by doris woolard

Dr. Thomas Kilgore, first black president of the American Baptist Convention, called on the 63rd assemblage of the denomination represented by 5,000 delegates and guests, to become the leader of a "Pan-Baptist Movement" in America, linking and bridging white and black Baptist strengths, traditions and differences . . . "To harness the freedom and energy, pluralism and diversity, with the deep emotional expression and prophetic preaching of 8 million black Baptists, coupled with organizational experience and churchmanship of 11 million white Baptists, along with the religious fervor of Baptists of other ethnic groups, in a great evangelical thrust."

Trustees of Baylor University voted to continue to require chapel attendance at the Southern Baptist school. An announcement said changes, including voluntary attendance, has been considered and rejected since "required chapel has made and continues to make a substantial contribution to the total education program of the university." Baylor has about 10,000 students in its undergraduate, graduate and medical schools.

Pope Paul VI urged Christians to appreciate "the preciousness of time," and to use it "not with lazy indifference nor with anxious hedonism (pleasure-seeking)," but with "intensity," because it is ordered to a goal "above and beyond time."

Reportedly under pressure from the Communist regime, an extraordinary Synod of the Evangelical Methodist Church in East Germany voted last December in favor of establishing a national conference, with a bishop of its own, independent of the West German body. Until then, only one central conference had existed for all Germany, with headquarters located in Frankfurt-on-Main, West Germany, and headed by Bishop Ernst Sommer. He was elected first bishop of the new Evangelical Methodist Church, formed in 1968 by the merger of Methodists with the Evangelical United Brethren. The EMC annual conference of East Germany will elect a bishop to have jurisdiction over Methodists in the German Democratic Republic (DDR), when it meets June 16-21.

A Red Cross Social Center financed by gifts channeled through the World Council of Churches will be built at Benja Luka, Yugoslavia, according to a WCC spokesman. Protestant, Orthodox and Roman Catholic Churches in that country have given approval to the facility which will serve victims of last year's earthquakes. It will be equipped to feed up to 7,000 children, aged, infirmed and needy people. There will be a small medical dispensary and a center for collection and distribution of clothing.

The American Baptist Foreign Mission Society agreed at a meeting in Cincinnati that more blacks should be recruited for assignment in the Congo. The plan hit an immediate snag: No new foreign missionaries were to be dedicated at the 1970 annual meeting of the denomination. Only one foreign missionary was appointed in the past year. Mrs. Jesse J. McNeil, a black sociologist from Dallas, was elected chairman of the society's board of managers.

Speaking at Hennepin Ave. United Methodist church in Minneapolis, Dr. Richard F. Bailey of Hamline University said. "It seems to me that college campuses can no longer afford the destructive and frivolous excitement of student uprisings." Continuing, Dr. Bailey asked United Methodists to be "sympathetic to the growing pains of youth who must fight in ill-conceived wars, who must live out their lives in sprawling urban centers, who must breathe polluted air and give up the joy of unpolluted lakes and streams, and who must, through it all, retain the vision and obtain the preparation to become the leaders of tomorrow."

Despite differences of opinion on "bingo, beer, bridge, buses, babies and bishops," Southern Baptists and Roman Catholics can and will work ever more closely together as Christians, especially on local social problems. This was the optimistic consensus of 20 Catholics and 20 Southern and National Baptists who spent two evenings and a day in Louisville, Ky. discussing their religious beliefs. Brooks Hays, one of the dialogue's spokesmen, a past-president of the Southern Baptist Convention, noted that dialogue participants did not talk about unification into a single church, but rather of a unity of concern and action.

Concluding eight years of teaching in the U. S., Scottish theologian John Macquarries says American theology is contributing distinctive insights but failing to deal with problems in sufficient depth. Involvement with the changing social situation — "the strength of American Christianity" — provides American theologians with insights not present in European theology, according to the 51-year-old scholar. "But American theology in the '60s changed too rapidly for the problems to be dealt with in depth," he said, "there is too much dilettantism, too much craving for the new, whatever the new may be."

One leading Indian ecumenist urges careful appraisal before religious groups rush in to disburse funds to spur development in poor nations. Father Paul Verghese, head of the Syrian Orthodox Theological Seminary in Kerala lauded the concept of giving funds for self-determination programs but he was fearful that allowing "Third World" church groups to do the determining may create "power projects" of undesirable proportions. He suggested that responsibility for expenditures might be vested in groups of laymen, who would have the skills and acumen possibly lacking among clergymen to disperse developmental monies judiciously.

Religious groups across the nation are voicing concern for the growing degradation of the environment and have called for greater support of environmental control. The Colorado Springs Logos group in Colorado will begin a five-week course on ecology and local environmental problems, in an effort to involve people in developing remedies. "Logos believes that people can and must determine the kind of environment they want to live in and work to bring it about," the executive director, the Rev. Douglas Williams, explained. A religion professor at Colorado College and the executive director of the State Department of Natural Resources will be among resources persons.

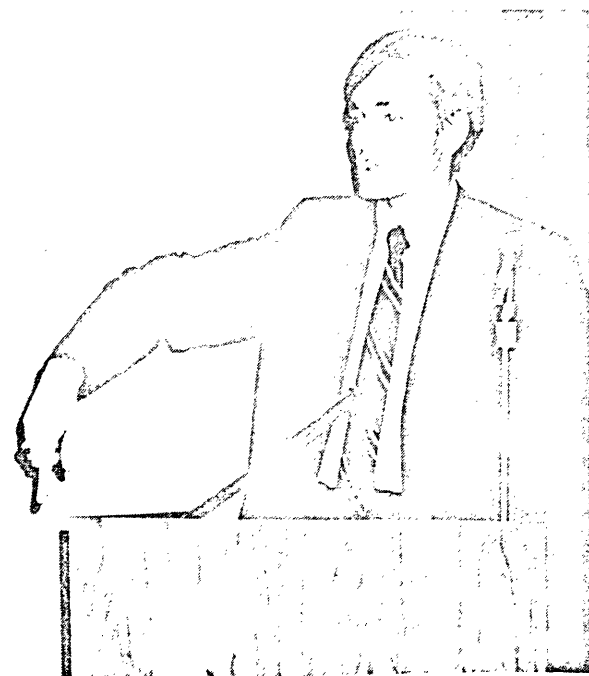
The secretary of the Pontifical Commission for the Revision of the Code of Canon Law said at a meeting of the International Congress on Canon Law in Paris, that the new code will pay "full attention to the public rights of all Christians," and will reduce the number of "ecclesiastical penalties." "Canon law" refers to the body of laws and regulations made and promulgated by ecclesiastical authority for the orderly administration and government of the Catholic Church. The present Code has been in effect since 1918.

The United Methodist Program Curriculum Committee has approved the general theme of a sex education program for senior high youth which focuses on communication between young people and their parents. The Rev. John W. Gattis of Nashville, chairman of the committee's task force for education on sexuality, said the presence of sexually suggestive and stimulating material in today's culture is putting responsibility on the church to help youth cope with it. One of the aims of the new theme is to "initiate youth into the adult community," and encourage development of a life style that "comprises inquiry, responsibility-taking, and maturity within the Christian perspective."

The American Bible Society marked its 135th year of service to the blind by establishing the "Bud" Collyer Memorial Fund for the Blind in tribute to the noted television and radio star. Collyer, who died last September, was a dedicated worker for the Society, especially in the field of services to the blind. Society executives, announcing the release of the cassette edition of "Good News for Modern Man," as recorded by Mr. Collyer, presented a gift set of the 15-cassette edition to the entertainer's son, Michael.

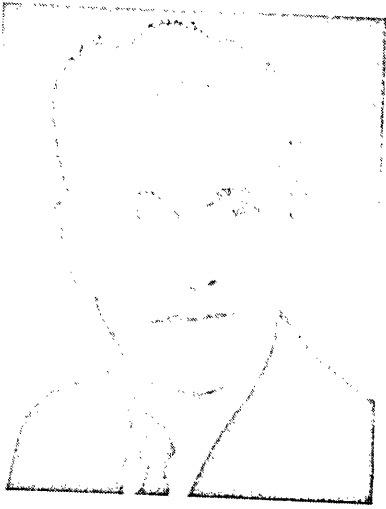
The "eternal word of God" contained in Scripture is helping to awaken and enlighten people of Africa's emerging nations, in their development at a very important stage as to "precisely what Christian hope is," noted the Rev. John T. Mpaayei, principal speaker at the 154th annual meeting of the American Bible Society. Mr. Mpaayei stressed that among African youth today "there is a tremendous thirst for knowledge and therefore a willingness to learn from any quarter, provided there is no semblance of foreign paternalism."

Gov. Robert L. Scott of North Car. told the annual Baptist State Youth Convention meeting in Greensboro, that most decisions must be made in a moral context. "Regardless of whom you are, you have to make moral decisions, decisions that shape your future and, as these decisions touch other people's lives, shape the future of the world."



SPRING ARBOR, Mich. — Jerry Mack, of Spring Arbor College, addresses the first Evangelical Student Congress ever held, at Spring Arbor College in Michigan. Sponsored by the American Association of Evangelical Students, the meeting drew 210 elected representatives from 56 church schools, mostly from the East Coast. (RNS Photo)





Eugene Kuyper, associate professor of voice, and director of choral activities at Henderson State College, will be Guest Director for the Little Rock Children's Choir Camp at Tanako, June 1-3. Mr. Kuyper is director of Music at First United Methodist Church, Arkadelphia. Capacity enrollment for the Choir Camp has been reached, and no further registrations can be accepted.

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## Little Rock Conference

urged attendance at the National Family Conference to be held in October in Chicago.

Mrs. John L. Tucker was named coordinator of children's ministry, Dr. Claude E. Haswell as volunteer coordinator of adult ministry, and the associate program director was named as coordinator of youth ministry and young adult ministry.

The conference approved the recommendation that \$93,000 be raised annually for the work of Hendrix College, and that a study committee be appointed to prepare a statement on the philosophy of Wesley Foundation and

a job analysis for the directors.

**Evangelism:** The report of the Board of Evangelism was presented by the Rev. James R. Sewell, chairman, the Rev. Harold K. Davis, secretary, and the Rev. Ralph Hale, conference secretary of evangelism. The report recommended a program of confirmation and membership training in the conference at the district level. It also urged overnight retreats for the ministers in each district, and the need for the use of small groups as the follow-up for Lay Witness Missions.

**Christian Social Concerns:** In the report of the Board of Christian Social Concerns, presented by the Rev. Louis M. Mulkey, chairman, and the Rev. Robert W. Trieschmann, secretary, the conference voted support of recommendations that the local churches voluntarily support the Arkansas Release Guidance Foundation. In adopting this report the conference also voted support of congressional bills that would prohibit the advertising of alcoholic beverages. They also praised the delegates who prepared the proposed new State Constitution and urged that every local church study this document which will be voted on in the General Election.

**Board of the Laity:** S. H. "Herb" Allman, conference lay leader, made the report of the Board of The Laity. James Wellons of Little Rock, spoke on the work of Lay Witness Missions. B. F. Allbright was elected Conference Director of Methodist Men, and William M. Shepherd was named Conference Director of Lay Life and Work.

**Minimum Salary:** The Rev. Robert L. Riggin, chairman, and the Rev. J. Dan Cleary, secretary, presented the report of the Commission on Minimum Salary. In approving the report the conference voted to raise the basic minimum salary for a resident, full time pastor, to \$5,400, an increase of \$900 over the minimum for the past year.

**Methodist Foundation:** Dr. W. O. Scroggin, Jr. and the Rev. George

Meyer presented the report of the Methodist Foundation of Arkansas, and urged wide participation in the memorials program of the Foundation, planned currently for the support of the pension program.

**Insurance:** Sidney Good, chairman, of the Insurance Committee, presented the report of that group and indicated substantial improvements of the benefits available through the two group insurance programs for the next year.

**Pensions:** The Rev. George C. Meyer, chairman, and the Rev. Osborne White, secretary, presented the report of the Board of Pensions. The conference approved recommendation that the annuity rate be raised from \$56 to \$59, and that this annuity rate be made retroactive to Jan. 1, 1970. The committee also recommended the naming of a committee "to compare the records of the amount paid by each pastoral charge for the support of pastor and the pension benefit program, computing the proportional distribution thereof and keeping a permanent record of defaults of ministers in the conference who have failed to observe the provisions in Par. 1380, Section 6 pertaining to proportional payment, and shall render annually to each minister and charge in default a statement of the amounts in default."

**Commission on Worship:** The Rev. Carr Dee Racop, Jr., chairman, and the Rev. John O. Alston, secretary, presented the report of the Commission on Worship. They urged the naming of district directors of worship and called the attention of the conference to the display of aids to worship which the commission had at conference.

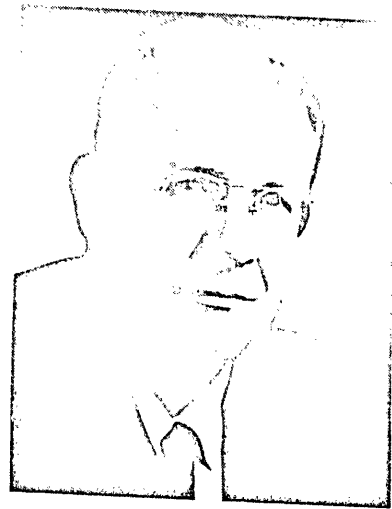
**Health and Welfare Ministries:** The report of the Board of Health and Welfare Ministries was presented by the Rev. Cagle E. Fair, chairman, and the Rev. Charles O. Walthall, secretary. Included were authorizations for committees to study the feasibility of providing a chaplain for the University of Arkansas Medical Center. Also authorized was the appointing of a committee to make a study of the possibilities of developing a Retired Methodist Ministers' Home Complex on the grounds of the Children's Home.

The Rev. Edwin Keith, superintendent of the Children's Home, spoke to the report and reported on recent full certification of that institution by the General Board of Health and Welfare Ministries.

**Enlistment for Church Occupations:** Plans were announced for a week-end workshop at Camp Tanako, August 14-15, on the theme "A Re-investment of Life" in the report presented by the Commission on Enlistment for Church Occupations, the Rev. Cagle E. Fair, chairman.

**Ecumenical Affairs:** In its report, the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs, the Rev. Elmo Thomason, chairman, and Dr. Robert E. L. Bearden, secretary, urged full participation of the United Methodist Church and local congregations in all ecumenical activities. Attention was called to the World Methodist Conference which will be held in Denver in 1971.

**Board of Missions:** Dr. Edward B. Hollenbeck, chairman, and the Rev. Robert A. Regnier, secretary, presented the report of the Board of Missions. Included was the election of Dr. Alvin C. Murray as Conference Missionary



Dr. Carlyle Marney, founder and director of Interpreters' House at Lake Junaluska, will be the inaugural speaker for the Memorial Lectures to be presented at First Church in Crossett, May 31-June 3. Dr. Marney will follow the general theme, "The Coming Faith." The lectures are scheduled for Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; daily at mid-day (12:00 noon); nightly at 7:30 p.m. The Rev. Ferris W. Norton, Jr. is pastor.

Secretary. Attention was called to the School of Christian Mission to be held at Hendrix College, July 15-19.

On recommendation of the board the conference authorized the following grants from Special Church Extension Funds of the Conference: St. Andrew's Church Extension Funds of the Conference: St. Andrew's Church, Little Rock, \$10,000; Carr Memorial Church, Pine Bluff, \$5,000; Good Faith Church, Pine Bluff District, \$3,000.

**Ordination:** Bishop H. Ellis Finger, conference preacher, brought the fourth and last of his messages at the Service of Ordination on Wednesday evening. Those ordained were: **Deacons:** Larry R. Williams, Sam L. Albright, Kenneth W. Kinard, Elaine Claire Smith, and Michael A. Velchoff. **Elders:** Louis L. Averitt, George Butcher, Dorothy M. Claiborne, Rodney W. Nicholson, David F. Prothro and Jerry K. Yarbrough.

Bishop Galloway closed the conference with the reading of the appointments on Thursday morning. (The appointments may be found on page 9)

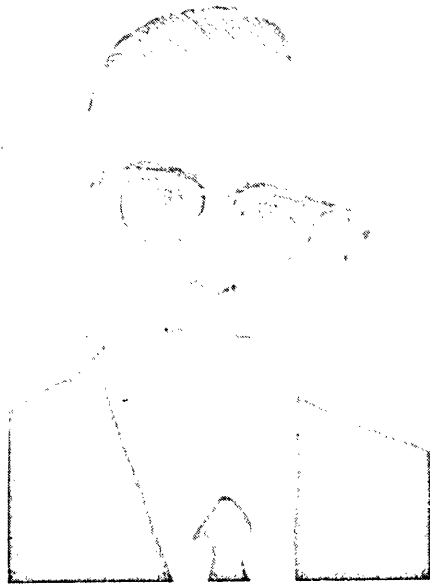


Involved in presentation of "Rural Church of the Year" awards at Little Rock Conference (l. to r.): the Rev. Winston Hudnall, who made the presentation; Robert Rickett and the Rev. David M. Hankins, Jr. representing Center Grove Church; Dr. W. O. Scroggin, Jr.; and Hugh Bragg and the Rev. Don Williams of Salem Church.



Dr. Robert B. Moore, Sr. and Chaplain (Capt.) Withers Moore, staff chaplain at the U.S. Naval Air Station at Millington, Tenn. are shown at the Little Rock Conference.

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## Southwest Annual Conference

Wesley United Methodist Church

Philander Smith College

Little Rock, Ark.

June 1-4, 1970

### ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Monday, June 1, 1970

9:00 a.m. - Registration - Student Union  
2:00 p.m. - College Dinner  
12:00 p.m. - Lunch - College Dining Hall  
2:00 p.m. - Pre-Conference Session  
and Communion  
5:30 p.m. - Dinner - College Dining Hall  
7:00 p.m. - Communion Service  
District Superintendent  
Sermon - Dr. N. D. ...  
Music - Wesley Church

Tuesday, June 2, 1970

6:30 a.m. - Morning Watch - Wesley Church  
7:00 a.m. - Breakfast - College Dining Hall  
8:00 a.m. - Devotion - Bishop Galloway  
Conference Business Session  
District Superintendent  
Cabinet Nominations  
Board of Missions  
Committee Reports  
11:30 a.m. - Memorial Service - The Rev. ...  
Sermon - The Rev. ...  
12:30 p.m. - Lunch - College Dining Hall  
2:00 p.m. - Conference Session  
Scripture and Prayer  
Business Session  
General Board Report  
Committee Meeting  
5:30 p.m. - Dinner - College Dining Hall  
7:30 p.m. - Philander Smith College  
Presiding - Mr. ...  
Address  
The Offering - The Rev. ...  
B. Winstead

Wednesday, June 3, 1970

6:30 a.m. - Morning Watch - Wesley Church  
Rev. J. H. Oliver  
7:00 a.m. - Breakfast - College Dining Hall  
8:30 a.m. - Devotion - The Rev. ...  
Business Session  
Editor - Arkansas ...  
Board of Pensions  
Ministers' Wives  
12:00 Noon - Dr. John P. Miles  
12:30 p.m. - Lunch - College Dining Hall  
2:00 p.m. - Business Session  
Scripture and Prayer  
5:00 p.m. - Dinner - College Dining Hall  
7:30 p.m. - Worship Service  
Presiding - The Rev. ...  
Scripture and Prayer  
Sermon - Dr. W. A. ...  
Music - Wesley Church  
Mr. Rochell Gair

Thursday, June 4, 1970

6:30 a.m. - Morning Watch - Wesley Church  
7:00 a.m. - Breakfast - College Dining Hall  
8:00 a.m. - Devotion - Rev. Wm. ...  
Business Session  
Committee Reports  
Conference Session  
World Service  
Reading of Appointments  
12:30 p.m. - Lunch - College Dining Hall

OFFICE PROGRAM

June 1970

Session Bldg., Philander Smith

South District Superintendents  
Meetings

by Paul V. Galloway, Dis-  
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Galloway  
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June 1970

Church - Rev. J. H. Oliver  
Galloway

Session:

Minute Report  
Rev. C. G. Tillman, presiding  
Wamble  
Hill

Rev. E. T. Hickman

Session

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C. C. Hall and Mr. Homer

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Rev. Lloyd Smith

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Rev. J. W. Hobbs  
Pastor Wesley Chapel

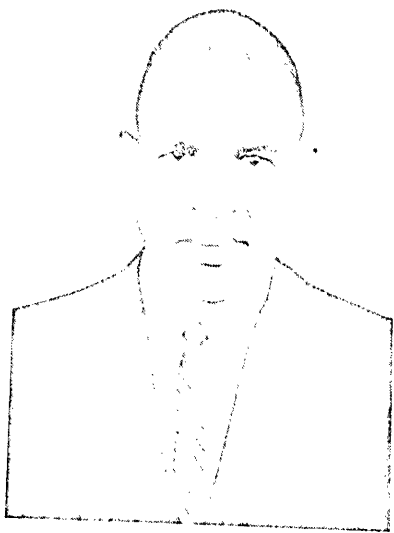
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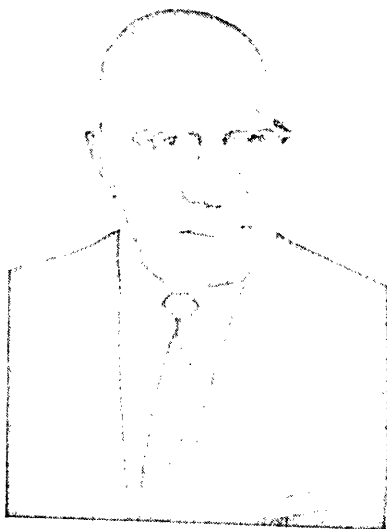
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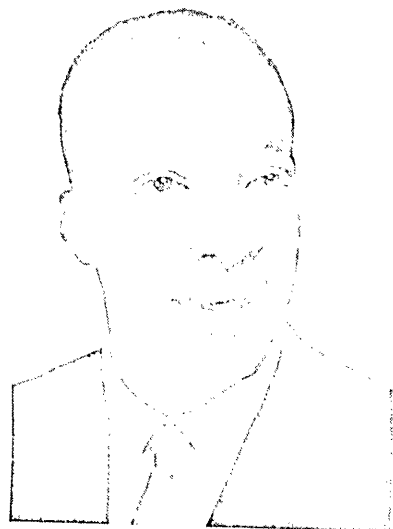
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Dr. W. D. Lester  
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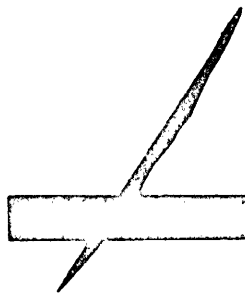


Wesley United Methodist Church

MAY 28, 1970

# The Sunday School Lesson

By: Alfred A. Knox



## LESSON FOR JUNE 7: The Nature of the Church

### BACKGROUND SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 1 and 2

**MEMORY SELECTION:** Now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near in the blood of Christ. (Ephesians 2:13)

**AIM OF THE LESSON:** To help class members gain a better understanding of the meaning of the church and of the barriers that should be broken down through fellowship in the church.

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The Letter to the Ephesians deals with the spiritual unity which exists between Christ and his church. Many leaders are telling us that we need to recover a sense of what the church is all about. Dr. John Deschner of Perkins School of Theology recently said: "The doctrine of the church is more central to the Christian than the doctrine of creation." What we believe about the church has a great deal to do with what the church will mean to us and what God can do for us through the church.

Adult Bible Studies says that our answer to "What is the Church?" will "reflect the depth or shallowness of our understanding of the Christian faith, our role in sharing it, and our commitment to the gospel for our time."

At about the same time he was writing the letters to Philemon and the Colossians from prison in Rome, Paul also wrote a general letter called Ephesians. It apparently dealt with no disturbance within a local congregation, but was concerned that all of the Pauline churches should have a better understanding of the meaning of the church fellowship.

Archibald M. Hunter gives this quick summarization of the purpose of Ephesians in *Introducing the New Testament*: "The purpose of God is to be realized through the Church. The Church is the Body of Christ, the social instrument which is to execute God's purpose in the world. The eternal God wills fellowship; in that fellowship Jews and Gentiles are now included, and this process will go on till all are reconciled to God in 'the Christ that is to be.'"

Dr. Theodore O. Wedel in *Interpreter's Bible*: "The central theme of the epistle, then, is the movement of all things created toward an ultimate unity in Christ, and the place of the church in the attainment of that consummation."

Coleridge described the Epistle to the Ephesians as "one of the divinest compositions of man." A more recent interpreter, Dr. F. R. Barry, spoke of it as "at once the most modern in many ways of all the books of the New Testament and the richest record of Christian experience." We shall see today how it is a most invaluable book in helping us gain a better understanding of "What is the Church?" and "Whose is the Church?"

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### A CURE FOR MAN'S ALIENATION

Paul pictures one of the primary functions of the church as curing man's separation—from God and from his fellow man. In Ephesians 2 he reminds his Gentile readers that there was a time when they "were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise" (v. 12). Their status was something like the one-time popular song which declared, "I Ain't Got Nobody, and Nobody Cares for Me."

Dr. Charles M. Laymon says (*International Lesson Annual*): "We were made 'to belong'—whether to God, to a society, to a family, or to a loved one. When we are separated or alienated, we are beset with a sickness of soul."

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Having reminded his Gentile readers that their former alienation was complete, the writer goes on to say that all of this was changed by the death and resurrection of Christ, which was for all men without distinction. He assures them that in this new pattern of spiritual life—the Church—God is as accessible to one man as to another.

The most tragic alienation is that from God, and the major promise of our lesson is that through faith by grace all men are enabled to see that wall knocked down. We are also being reminded in our time of the dire consequences of the alienation of man from his fellow men. In our time "reconciliation" is becoming a word which speaks to the church of its major task. Dr. Frederick K. Wentz in his book *Set Free for Others*, which many United Methodist churches have been studying in recent months, says: "Reconciliation, one of the central words in Christian experience, means the act of bringing back harmony. Furthermore Christians believe that Jesus Christ is the reconciler; that he brings back the lost harmony—between God and man, between man and his fellowman, within a man and within the whole universe."

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### HE HAS BROKEN DOWN THE WALL OF HOSTILITY

In Ephesians 2:14 we read, "For he is our peace, who has made us both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility." But one may ask, What is that wall that was broken down?

Markus Barth in his book *The Broken Wall* raises four possibilities: (1) it may have been an allusion to the wall which divided the outer and inner walls of the temple in Jerusalem. A Gentile was forbidden under penalty of death from entering the inner court; (2) It may have referred to the veil in the temple which marked off "the holy of holies;" (3) It might be identified with the law itself which served as a barrier between Jew and Gentile; or (4) It may have referred to the combined powers of evil which separated man from God.

The important thing, Paul felt, was that through what Christ had accomplished an access had been given to all men into the presence of the Father. Everything that could possibly have contributed to the alienation had been removed.

The poet Edwin Markham wrote, "Something there is that does not love a wall." We are haunted today by the walls that have been erected in Berlin, in Korea, in Vietnam, and elsewhere. As human beings we resent being denied access to any spot where others are going. Paul said this was a great function of the new Christian church—to furnish a spiritual place where no one would be denied access to the riches of Christ's great gift. More scathing than any other contemporary criticism of the church is that which charges that walls of separation exist there. What are your reactions to such charges?

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### THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE CHURCH

In verse 19 we read "So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God." Paul used the image of the church as God's household as consistent with the covenant relationship which had existed between God and the family of Israel.

Dr. Roy H. Ryan says in *Adult Leader*, "Remember that God's covenant with Abraham promised that Abraham would become 'the father of a multitude of nations.' In his second covenant, God, through Christ, unites all men in one family, into one household, the church. The church, though broken and torn by all kinds of divisions, represents a unifying force among men of all nations."

Voices-through the ages have underscored the

important place of togetherness in the maturing of the Christian faith. Dr. Laymon says: "This is what happens when we come into contact with other Christians in the church. We find Christ alive in the fellowship and come to life again." The sharing of mutual joys and woes continues to be one of the rich rewards of fellowship in the Christian faith.

All of the warmth of personal fellowship is suggested by the word "household." The persons who discover this characteristic of the church discover there a source of strength to help them meet the demands and disappointments of the world.

The image of the church as the "household of God" suggests several things about the church. First, it says we are members of one family with a common father. Then, it shows that the members care for each other. Third, we maintain our personal identities and yet at the same time are loyal to the entire family. Finally, we come together for family reunions and to celebrate our common life under the same father. Dr. Ryan puts it this way, "The style of life we choose is affected by our family ties and the influence our family has had upon our character."

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### CHRIST AS THE CORNERSTONE

Our lesson today speaks of the church's being "built upon the foundation of the apostles and the prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone." (Eph. 2:20) Here in a sentence is brought together the elements which came from the ancient contributions of "apostles and prophets." However, the heart of the passage is in the declaration that Christ is the "cornerstone" which holds the structure together. Whatever renewal comes in the program, structure, or mission of the church will find its cohesive and motivating substance in the knowledge that Christ dwells therein.

It takes many stones to build a church. The prophets spoke for God in ages past and formed the foundation. The apostles and martyrs of the New Testament contributed the many stones so essential to the completion of the structure. When any one stone is missing the church is less than it could be if all were there. As originally conceived, the cornerstone was more than just another stone—it was designed to tie all the other stones together and give them meaning and fulfillment. Verse 21 goes on to speak of Christ "in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord."

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### THE NEW COMMUNITY

We will miss the point of the Ephesian letter if we place too much emphasis on the words which describe the church as a structure. The writer says that Christ took Jews and Gentiles and formed his church—a new community. The structure described is one that "grows into a holy temple" in the Lord. As each member grows in his knowledge of God and shares that knowledge with others the church moves toward completion. The truth that is emphasized here is the value of the corporate effort in extending the work of Christ. There is nothing in this letter to indicate that the church was ever finished.

Too many Christians underestimate their place in the unfolding of God's plan. Paul meant to tell his readers at Ephesus—and all who would read his letter later—that all are linked together in the building of God's holy temple. If one stone is missing, then the temple cannot be brought to completion. If the voice of any age is silenced as it seeks to speak to the renewal of the church, then it can never become all that God intended it to be through Christ.

We need to make clear in our time that the New Testament church was never a building or a program of activities—it was the people of God themselves who were joined together in a living relationship. Supremely, the church is not an organization but an organism. God's presence is manifested in the midst of his people, not just that they might receive special privileges but that they might share the knowledge of God with all people.

Take an inventory of the life and work of your local congregation. Can you list two or three specific ways in which you feel the power of God has been shown through your church in the last year? Each of us should feel the winds of renewal blowing through his church.

MAY 28, 1970



# the British scene



by the Rev. Leslie J. M. Timmins  
THE METHODIST RECORDER  
Editorial Board

While the possibility of an election becomes more real — June is being tipped, and the date will have been settled by the time you are reading this, Britain is of course vitally interested in what is happening in America. Cambodia, the student protest and the anxiety all Americans feel at the turn of events, are concerns which are ours as well as yours because of the special relationship we have.

These political matters find a place in this column because our faith is mixed up all the time with what is happening to human beings, and poli-

tics have to do with human life in every aspect.

I do not believe it is the business of the church to become involved in party politics, but it is certainly the business of Christians to look at the political scene in its broader aspects, and realise that in the arena of human life the way we run our community is very much the business of the Kingdom of God.

So, to the sad complexities of the situation which faces President Nixon. The most poignant thing about it is the sheer loneliness of his position. The odd thing about the Presidency is that in one of the greatest democracies in the world, in the words of a former occupant of the White House "the buck stops here."

If this is personally true, then there is also another and more frightening truth. It is that the whole task of the President is now so involved that the question as to whether he is doing the job well or badly has almost become academic. The question really is whether any man on earth can do it at all. He is faced with something that looks more like a series of dilemmas rather than a set of decisions. For the ability to handle this, it may be that

he will have to rely on advice and counsel, but in the end, whatever the outcome there is no doubt that not only in America, but in the world, when the chips are down, it will have been Nixon's success or failure.

It all poses the question of what real power means. Here is the most powerful man in the world caught in the grip of events. Will the man or the event win? It is our belief that in the end, the spirit of man is the candle of the Lord. There is a spiritual and ideological battle to be fought here, and those who believe that there is more power in the spirit of man than in any other power, when that spirit is allied to the spirit of God, will want to offer through their prayers the kind of help which finally must win the day.

## UNITY

When the Methodist Conference decided, last July, that it was in favour of the scheme for unity with the Anglican Church, the next step was for the whole question to go back to the District Synods for their confirmation of this provisional legislation. This has now happened, and, except for England and Wales, which have special

problems (indeed Wales has its own unity discussions), the support in the English Synods has been overwhelming.

Now the matter will be before the Conference once more when it meets in Manchester in June, and if the Conference follows the way which has been taken by the Synods, it will finally confirm its decision of last year.

This means that the way would be open for the Anglican Church, meeting in the Autumn in its new synodical form of government, to change its vote (the scheme was very narrowly defeated last year).

If the Anglicans say "Yes" in the Autumn, then the way is open for Services of Reconciliation to be planned in the following year, once the legal procedures are dealt with. If all this happens in the order in which I have described, the timetable which was originally suggested will not have been altered.

But there will be one important difference. During the time which has elapsed between last year's vote and this year's, there has been a tremendous increase in unity action in the local areas. And all this can mean nothing but good in the days to come.

## Little Rock Conference Appointments

Names with (1) following indicate new appointment.

### ARCADEPHIA DISTRICT

George W. Martin,  
District Superintendent (1)  
Amity Ralph E. Hemund (8)  
Arkadelphia John P. Miles (1)  
St. Andrews—Hollywood John T. Adkinson (3)  
Bismarck—Friendship (David M. Dunaway) (6)  
Dalark Circuit (Harold Rogers) (2)  
Delight Circuit (Fred W. Hunter) (2)  
Glenwood Parish Fred R. Smith (5)  
Gurdon Cagle E. Fair (4)  
Hot Springs  
First George F. Ivey (4)  
Gardner-Salem Claude E. Barron (1)  
Grand Avenue Ralph E. Hale (2)  
Oaklawn Fred H. Arnold (1)  
Pullman—Fountain Lake O. W. Hoover (2)  
Tigert—Morning Star Claud Clark A.M. (4)  
Malvern  
First Charles G. Ashcraft (1)  
Keith—Butterfield G. Coleman Akin (1)  
St. Paul Parish Thomas J. Nation (1)  
Associate (W. C. Onstead) (1)  
Mt. Ida—Oden Harold S. Bailey (1)  
Mt. Pine—Gum Springs T.B.S.  
Murfreesboro Harold W. Brent (2)  
Okolona Circuit  
David M. Hankins, Jr. (5)  
Piney Grove TBS  
Shorewood Hills (Travis D. Langley) (3)  
Sparkman Albert M. Elder (3)  
Wesley Foundation David M. Hankins, Jr. (5)

### SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS (Without Annuity)

Student, Perkins School of Theology Miss Elaine Smith

### SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS (Without Annuity)

Chaplain, U.S. Army Billy Howard Cox  
Chaplain, U.S. Army Winslow Brown  
Chaplain, U.S. Army Gerald K. Hilton  
Chaplain, U.S. Navy Rodney Wallace

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Christian Vocations Cagle E. Fair

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Town & Country Harold W. Brent

### CAMDEN DISTRICT

Roy I. Bagley,  
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Bradley (Benny G. Jester) (6)  
Buckner Circuit TBS  
Camden  
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Associate David F. Prothro (1)  
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Westside-Silver Springs (Michael Andrews) (4)  
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Columbia Circuit W. A. McLean A.M. (2)  
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El Dorado  
Centennial (Oscar A. Haire) (8)  
First Alvin C. Murray (5)  
Associate (Ralph S. Mann) (1)  
St. Paul F. Gladwin Connell (2)  
Vantrease Kirvin A. Hale (1)  
Emerson (Leland Clegg) (1)  
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Holly Springs Circuit (Edward E. Warren) (2)  
Huttig-Bolding Robert H. Jackson A.M. (5)  
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Magnolia  
Asbury Clyde N. Swift (2)  
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Wesley Foundation Allen B. Bonsall (2)

Magnolia Circuit (Welcome R. Burleson) (10)

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Stamps Robert W. Johnson (1)

Stephens Joe W. Hunter (2)

Strong (Ernest E. Hays) (3)

Taylor-New Era Dale L. Diffie (4)

Village Circuit (Winston D. Roden) (4)  
Waldo-Willisville John B. Ross (2)  
Welcome (Leonard D. Yates) (1)

### SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS (WITH ANNUITY)

Student, Perkins School of Theology Billy Boyd Smith (2)  
Student, Perkins School of Theology Michael Ames Velchoff (1)  
Student, Perkins School of Theology Kenneth W. Kinard (1)

### SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS (WITHOUT ANNUITY)

Student, Perkins School of Theology Rodney Nicholson  
Faculty, Oberlin College Grover A. Zinn, Jr.  
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Town and Country—James B. Swain  
Education—Darrell Van Smith  
Commissioner, Methodist Children's Home—Wilborn Smith

### HOPE DISTRICT

Alf A. Eason,  
District Superintendent (5)  
Ashdown Carr Dee Racop, Jr. (2)  
Bingen Circuit Bruce H. Bean A.M. (2)  
Blevins Circuit John W. Rushing (2)  
Doddridge Circuit (Bun Gantz) (16)  
Brownstown Circuit TBS  
De Queen David B. Wilson (4)  
Dierks Parish Charlie V. Mashburn (5)  
Emmet Circuit Calvin L. Miller A.M. (5)  
Foreman Kenneth M. Goode (4)  
Garland Carl E. Beard (5)  
Hatfield Circuit (Charles Lawrence) (1)  
Associate (Dewitt Harberson) (1)  
Hope, First Norris Steele (1)  
Horatio Circuit John Prothro (1)  
Lockesburg J. R. Callicott A.M. (10)  
Mena, First Osborne E. White (3)  
Mineral Springs (Daniel George) (3)  
Mt. View Circuit (Autrey Sirmon) (2)  
Nashville Robert W. Trieschmann (1)  
Ogden-Wilton TBS  
Prescott, First Gerald K. Fincher (3)  
Prescott Circuit (Jerry Westmoreland) (5)  
Rondo Circuit (Dorsie T. Caldwell) (2)  
Spring Hill Circuit Connie R. Robbins (6)  
Associate (W. R. Burks) (8)

Texarkana  
College Hill Carl E. Beard (1)  
Fairview Winston Hudnall (5)  
Few Memorial W. W. Barron (2)  
First J. Ralph Hillis (5)  
Washington Circuit TBS

### SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS (WITHOUT ANNUITY)

Student, Candler School of Theology Jerry K. Yarbrough (3)  
District Directors:  
Arkansas Methodist—Carl E. Beard  
Christian Vocations—David B. Wilson  
Evangelism and Worship—Osborne E. White  
Missions and Ecumenical Affairs—Carr Dee Racop, Jr.  
Publishing Interests—Norris Steele  
Social Concerns—Robert W. Trieschmann  
Stewardship—Gerald K. Fincher  
Commissioner, Methodist Children's Home—Ray Turner  
Town and Country—Winston Hudnall  
TRAFCO—J. Ralph Hillis

### LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

C. Ray Hozendorf,  
District Superintendent (2)  
Austin Circuit T. G. Poss A.M. (5)  
Benton  
First Edward B. Hollenbeck (1)  
New Hope-Mt. Carmel (Carl D. Diffie) (5)  
Park View Horace M. Grogan (1)  
Salem-Congo Don R. Williams (3)  
Bryant Robert M. Van Hook II (5)  
Carlisle Carlos E. Martin (3)  
Des Arc-New Bethel Bennie G. Ruth (2)  
Hamilton Carlos E. Martin (1)  
Hazen-Devalls Bluff Herston R. Holland (2)  
Hickory Plains E. Eugene Efird (2)  
Little Rock  
Asbury Edward W. Harris (1)  
Capitol View (J. Frank Hamm) (4)  
First Robert E. L. Bearden (11)  
Associate Maurice C. Webb (11)  
Galloway (D. Ed McCulloch) (3)  
Geyer Springs Rayford L. Diffie (2)  
Henderson W. Darrell Bone (4)  
Highland Bryan Stephens (2)  
Hunter Memorial George G. Kerr (1)  
Markham John S. Workman (1)  
Oak Forest William A. Stewart (1)  
Pulaski Heights James B. Argue (7)  
Associate O. D. Peters (6)  
Associate G. Larry Maxwell (3)  
St. Andrew Donald F. Nolley (6)  
St. James Joe R. Phillips, Jr. (2)  
St. Luke Alfred De Black (1)  
St. Paul J. Robert Scott (4)  
Associate L. Gary Goldman (3)  
Trinity Joseph E. Taylor (3)

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## APPOINTMENTS

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Wesley Foundation  
James R. Sewell (3)

Western Hills  
Robert W. Robertson (2)

Winfield J. Edward Dunlap (3)

Lonoke Michael R. Clayton (1)

Mabelvale Ben G. Hines (5)

Mt. Pleasant (H. O. Bolin) (5)

Mountain View James R. Sewell (2)

Primrose (W. Shelton Kilgore) (3)

Sardis-Bethel Curtis E. Monroe (1)

Traskwood-Ebenezer  
A. J. Lightfoot AM (1)

Woodlawn Circuit  
(W. Edward Eagle) (1)

Pride Valley TBS

**SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS  
(WITH ANNUITY)**

Superintendent, Methodist Children's Home—J. Edwin Keith (10)

Conference Program Director  
Everett M. Vinson (1)

Associate Program Director  
Joe E. Arnold (2)

Student, Perkins School of Theology  
Sam W. Albright

**SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS  
(WITHOUT ANNUITY)**

Vice President, Hendrix College—James E. Major (10)

Missionary to Japan—William M. Elder

Professor, St. Paul School of Theology—Charles W. Baughman

Chaplain, U.S. Air Force—Jeff E. Davis

Chaplain, U.S. Air Force—Ralph Van Landingham

Chaplain, Veterans' Administration Hospital, Little Rock—James W. Workman

Student, University of Chicago—Robert L. Moore (6)

Student, University of Texas—Charles K. Wilmoth (5)

Student, Duke Theological Seminary—Robert E. Price (5)

Counselor, Woodbridge Senior High School—Gerald C. Dean (2)

Arkansas Release Guidance Foundation—E. Eugene Efrid (4)

Faculty, Henderson State College—William C. Gentry (2)

Supernumerary Relation  
Leonard H. Westphal (1)

District Directors:  
Christian Social Concerns—W. Darrell Bone

Evangelism—Michael R. Clayton

Missionary Secretary—G. Larry Maxwell

Publishing Interests—Arkansas Methodist—R. W. Robertson

Stewardship—J. Edward Dunlap

Town and Country—Don R. Williams

TRAFICO—O. D. Peters

Commissioner, Methodist Children's Home—James B. Gannaway

Worship—J. Robert Scott

Ecumenical Affairs—Robert E. L. Bearden

### MONTICELLO DISTRICT

Raymond L. Franks,  
District Superintendent (3)

Crossett Ferris W. Norton, Jr. (4)

Dermott-Wesley (McGehee)  
Noel Cross (2)

Dumas Arnold Simpson (2)

Eudora Merle A. Johnson, Jr. (2)

Fordyce Parish Edward Matthews (5)

Hamburg Parish Virgil C. Bell (3)

Hampton-Harrell James Ford A.M. (3)

Hermitage Circuit  
Mrs. Dorothy M. Claiborne (1)

Kingsland Circuit (Elam Turner) (4)

Lake Village-Montrose  
George A. Tanner (2)

McGehee  
First-Arkansas City  
Palmer Garner (2)

Monticello William D. Elliott (1)

Parkdale-Miller's Chapel  
(Larry R. Williams) (2)

Portland-Wilmot Herman G. Bonds (2)

Star City-Gould  
George Sam Jones (3)

Tillar Circuit Richard A. Poss A.M. (2)

Warren, First George G. Meyer (1)

Watson (Fred L. Arnold) (2)

Wesley Foundation  
Harold Scott (8)

Wilmar Circuit (Steve Barker) (1)

**SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS  
(WITH ANNUITY)**

Superintendent, Mt. Sequoyah Assembly,  
N. Lee Cate (2)

Student, Perkins School of Theology  
Southern Methodist University,  
Don Eubanks (2)

Student, Duke University,  
Charles Settle (1)

### SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS (WITHOUT ANNUITY)

Faculty, The Ecumenical Institute,  
Frank V. Hilliard

District Directors:  
Publishing Interests, The Arkansas  
Methodist—Arnold Simpson

Evangelism—Edward Matthews

Stewardship—Palmer Garner

Town and Country—Herman Bonds

TRAFICO—Ferris W. Norton

Christian Social Concerns—George G. Meyer

Missions—Virgil C. Bell

Christian Vocations—William D. Elliott

Commissioner, Methodist Children's Home—R. B. Newcome

Education—George Tanner

### PINE BLUFF DISTRICT

District Superintendent (5)  
Almyra-Deluce-Prairie Union  
Lloyd A. Perry (1)

Altheimer-Wabbaseka  
James Shaddox (2)

Bayou Meto-Lodges Corner  
Myron C. Pearce (1)

Carthage Circuit (M. E. Scott) (3)

Dewitt Thurston Masters (7)

England-Keo Harold D. Sadler (3)

Gillett-Campshed  
James F. Richardson (2)

Grady-Trinity Harold D. Hansford (2)

Humphrey-Humnoke TBS

Leola Circuit (J. Wayne Edwards) (3)

Pine Bluff  
Carr Carl V. Matthew (2)

First John W. Lindsay (7)

Good Faith-Sulphur Springs  
Robert L. Riffin (2)

Hawley John F. Walker, Jr. (1)

Lakeside Elmo A. Thomason (3)

St. Luke-Center Grove  
Therral E. Wilson (1)

Wesley Robert A. Regnier (1)

Whitehall-Redfield  
William A. Lea (1)

Rison-Mt. Carmel  
Louis L. Averitt (2)

Roe Circuit (Hursel Richert) (1)

Rowell Circuit (Thomas G. Lowry) (1)

St. Charles-Pleasant Grove  
(Robert Irvin) (7)

Sheridan Jack A. Wilson (2)

Sherrill-Tomberlin  
C. Everette Patton (7)

Stuttgart  
First Robert O. Beck (5)

Grand Avenue Louis M. Mulkey (2)

### SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS (WITH ANNUITY)

Student, Perkins School of Theology,  
Southern Methodist University  
Robert A. Boyd Clanton

Student, Perkins School of Theology,  
Southern Methodist University  
John T. Dill

Student, University of Kentucky Medical  
Center, Clinical Pastoral Education  
John W. Shafer

### SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS (WITHOUT ANNUITY)

Chaplain, United States Navy—  
Withers M. Moore

Chaplain, United States Navy—  
W. Edgar Outlaw, Jr.

District Directors:  
Arkansas Methodist—Robert O. Beck

Education—Mrs. Hazel Dabney

Evangelism—Thurston Masters

Missions—John W. Lindsay

Publishing Interests—Harold D. Sadler

Social Concerns—Louis M. Mulkey

Stewardship and Ecumenical Affairs—  
Elmo A. Thomason

Town and Country—Lloyd A. Perry

Commissioner, Methodist Children's Home—H. F. Trotter, Jr.

### TRANSFERS OUT

Woodrow W. Smith, Elder, to the Texas  
Conference, February 1, 1970

George E. Butcher III, Elder, to the  
Southwest Texas Conference, May 21,  
1970

Harold K. Davis, Elder, to the Missouri  
East Conference, May 21, 1970

Pryor R. Cruce, Elder, to the North  
Arkansas Conference, May 21, 1970

James P. Anderson, Elder, to the North  
Arkansas Conference, May 21, 1970

Charles E. Ramsay, Elder, to the North  
Arkansas Conference, May 21, 1970

## Special training opportunity for Age Level and Family Life Coordinators

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK. — Dr. Harold O. Eggensperger, director of the District Age Level and Family Life Coordinators of the South Central Jurisdiction, announces that, for the first time, workers in these categories will have an opportunity to receive special training for their work at Mt. Sequoyah, July 13-17.

Working as a team, more than ten leaders will give guidance to the planning session and the activities during the week. Miss Margie McCarty serves as team chairman. By virtue of her responsibilities as Executive Director, Age Level and Family Ministries of the General Board of Education, Nashville, Tennessee, she brings to this enterprise ability, experience, and dedication.

Others of the team are: Mr. Vance D. Archer, lay member of the General Board of Evangelism, Nashville; Miss Mary Calhoun, Director, Ministries to Early Elementary Boys and Girls, General Board of Education; the Rev. Charles W. Courtoy, Director, Ministries with Senior Highs, General Board of Education; Miss Rachel Divers, Northwest Texas Conference Director of Children's Ministries, Lubbock, Texas;

Dr. Howard Greenwalt, Associate General Secretary, Division of Interpretation, General Program Council, Evanston, Illinois; Dr. Jack D. Heacock, Corpus Christi District Superintendent, Southwest Texas Conference, Corpus Christi, Texas; the Rev. Delvin

A. Roper, Associate Program Director in charge of Youth Ministries, Nebraska Conference, Lincoln; Dr. Irving L. Smith, Oklahoma City South District Superintendent, Oklahoma Conference, Oklahoma City; Dr. Donald E. Struchen, Associate Director of Leadership Development, General Board of Missions, New York; Dr. Eggensperger, Dean of the Age Level Enterprise, Conference Program Director, North Arkansas Conference, North Little Rock.

Registration is \$17.50 per person. Room and board at Mt. Sequoyah approximates \$8 to \$10 per day. Members of the immediate family of registrants are welcome without additional registration fee, if not taking the course. Directed activities will be provided for children between three years of age through Junior High at no extra cost.

Content of the week's activities will give basic understandings of age level and family needs, relationships, kinds of learning, methods and tools, job analysis and resources. There will be opportunities to develop skills in ascertaining the needs of people, group learning processes, development of supportive networks and in the discovering, the creating, and the sharing of new resources. In addition, persons attending will come to grips with motivation, follow-up procedures, and ways of reaching out to others in Christian service.

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## Tornado demolishes Texas church

LUBBOCK, Texas (UMI) — One United Methodist Church was demolished and other properties were damaged in the tornado that wreaked havoc here May 11. No pastors nor their families were among the 20, known dead.

Bishop Alsie H. Carleton of the Northwest Texas-New Mexico Area, said that Wesley United Methodist Church, a frame building, was completely destroyed. St. John's Church had its roof blown away and First Church and the conference program center sustained window damage. Bishop Carleton said that he and other churchmen were collecting clothing and food and working with the Salvation Army and Red Cross in rescue and relief operations.

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James H. Sewell, Elder, to the Tennessee Conference, May 31, 1970

### TRANSFERS IN

William A. Stewart, Elder, from the North Arkansas Conference, May 21, 1970

John S. Workman, Elder, from the North Arkansas Conference, May 21, 1970

Bennie G. Ruth, Elder, from the North Arkansas Conference, February 1, 1970

Virgil C. Bell, Elder, from the North Arkansas Conference, May 21, 1970

Edward W. Harris, Elder, from the Missouri East Conference, May 21, 1970

**APPOINTMENTS BY SPECIAL  
VOTE OF THE CONFERENCE**

Grover A. Zinn, Jr., Oberlin College

Donald A. Lau, Faculty, Southern State College

Gerald C. Dean, Counselor, Woodbridge Senior High School, Prince William

## Ambassador to address Garrett grads

Ambassador Glenn A. Olds, United States Representative to the United Nations' Economic and Social Council, will deliver the 1970 Commencement Address at Garrett Theological Seminary. Garrett's 113th annual Commencement will be Friday, June 5 in Northwestern University's Cahn Auditorium. More than 100 students will receive their degrees.

He was appointed to his present ambassador-level post in March, 1969, by President Nixon. The Economic and Social Council is the United Nations' major agency for considering and coordinating all matters concerning economic and social affairs.

He was formerly University Dean for International Studies and World Affairs for the State University of New York system.

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County, Virginia  
E. Eugene Efrid, Director, Arkansas Release Guidance Foundation  
William C. Gentry, Faculty, Henderson State College  
Frank V. Hilliard, Faculty, The Ecumenical Institute

**APPOINTMENTS OF COMMISSION  
WORKERS OF THE  
BOARD OF MISSIONS**

Judith Atwood, Sabbatical Leave, St. Paul School of Theology

Ray Tribble, Aldersgate United Methodist Camp, 2000 Aldersgate Road, Little Rock

Mrs. Grace Dwyer, Community Worker, Hot Springs Area

#### DAILY BIBLE READING

Below is a schedule for the Daily Bible Reading, which the Board of Evangelism invites you to use as a regular guide for use in your homes.

May 31—Sunday Psalm 147:1-11  
June 1 ..... Prov. 4:10-19  
June 2 ..... Ezek. 34:22-31  
June 3 ..... John 4:27-38  
June 4 ..... John 6:27-40  
June 5 ..... Rom. 8:26-39  
June 6 ..... II Cor. 1:3-11  
June 7—Sunday Psalm 30:1-12

#### NEW ORGANIST AT FIRST CHURCH, CONWAY

Mrs. Robert Shoemaker will become church organist and choir director of First United Methodist Church in Conway on June 1. She will replace Robert M. McGill who asked to be replaced in order that he might devote all of his time to his teaching responsibilities at Hendrix College.

Mrs. Shoemaker is a native of Mississippi and is the daughter of a Methodist minister, the Rev. Robert Matheny who is now pastor of Capitol Street United Methodist Church in Jackson, Miss.

The Shoemakers have lived in Conway since 1966 when Dr. Shoemaker became chairman of the Philosophy Department at Hendrix College. She has been organist at Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church of Little Rock since October 1966.

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#### SALVAGE MATERIALS FOR CHURCHES

The First United Methodist Church, Little Rock, will have some salvage material as a result of its new building and remodeling. The Property Committee offers some of this salvage free of charge to any church interested. It includes metal door frames, some light fixtures and plumbing fixtures. Interested persons may call the church office after June 1.

#### North arkansas Conference

### WE'RE GETTING LOP-SIDED!

The Work Camp for the North Arkansas Conference goes to Phoenix, Arizona, this summer to work in the Mexican-American community there. It is for seniors and college freshmen who want a different kind of experience with Christianity in the real world we live in.

We want it to be representative of the whole Conference, but we are filling up fast, and all the registrations are coming in from the west side of the state. That makes us feel kind of lop-sided!

Pastors in the central, north and east parts of the Conference, please help us get our balance. Encourage your most mature high school seniors (who will be seniors in the fall) and your college freshmen (who will be freshmen in the fall) to join us this summer. The dates are July 26 through August 8, but we must close the camp registration June 15. It costs \$50 registration fee plus personal expenses, but it's worth it!

Contact either Jerry Canada, P. O. Box 126, Farmington, Ark. (phone 267-3871) or Daniel Evans, P. O. Box 176, Greenwood, Ark. (phone 996-4215) RIGHT AWAY!

### Try Doing Something Real This Summer!

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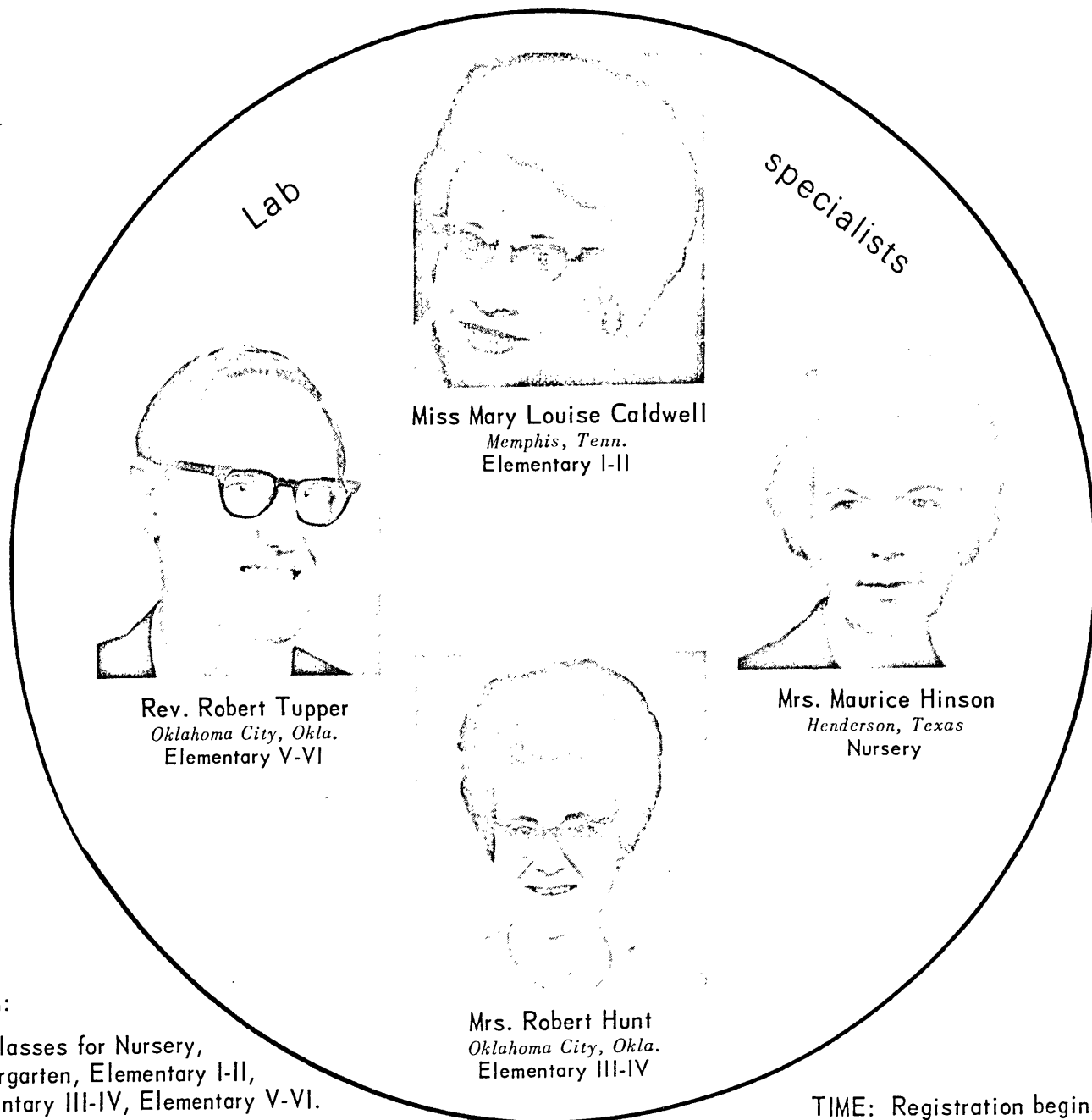
CONTACT: Jerry D. Canada  
P.O. Box 126  
Farmington, Arkansas  
Phone: 267-3871

Registration  
closes June 15  
or when camp is full.

# Little Rock Conference Laboratory School

*Camp Tanako*

June 15-19, 1970



## PROGRAM:

Lab classes for Nursery, Kindergarten, Elementary I-II, Elementary III-IV, Elementary V-VI.

Vesper speaker, The Rev. Gerald Fincher, Prescott

The Rev. John P. Miles will show slides of his recent Holy Land tour at an evening session.

Playground activities—directed by:  
Pre-School—Mrs. Robert Rigin, Pine Bluff  
Mrs. Leon Ashcraft, Jones Mill  
Elementary—Misses Rita Hargrove and Dana Hargrove, Stuttgart

Nurse—Mrs. Jennie Harrell, Little Rock

Mrs. Shirley Jackson  
*Oklahoma City, Okla.*  
Kindergarten

TIME: Registration begins at 10:00 a.m., June 15. Classes begin Monday afternoon. School closes with noon meal Friday, June 19.

COST: Adults—\$5 registration fee, plus \$17 for persons staying in camp—total, \$22. Children attending with parents \$2.50 registration and \$8.50 camp expense—total \$11.

For further information: Contact Mrs. John L. Tucker, Conference Coordinator of Children's Work, Suite 920, Rector Bldg., Little Rock. Telephone 374-5027.