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MEDITATION MOMENTS

THE TRIAL OF ALONENESS

"He said, 'I have been very jealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the people of Israel have forsaken Thy covenant, thrown down Thy altars, and slain Thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away'" (I Kings 19:10).

Those are the words of Elijah, a man tested in the crucible of aloneness as few men have been. Perhaps only Jeremiah of the Old Testament felt as forsaken of human comfort.

As a prophet he was God's mouthpiece to a nation which chose rather to listen to sweet-talking false prophets who predicted good things when calamity was at the door.

In Scripture it is Elijah who stands out as the representative of the prophets, for it was he and Moses (the Law) who appeared with Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration. Also, when Jesus asked His disciples what people were saying about Him, they reported that some thought He was Elijah come back to earth.

Particularly, we remember Elijah's contest with the prophets of Baal and Asherah on Mount Carmel. Talk about aloneness! There were 850 of them against the lone man of God. We know the story well. All morning and into

the afternoon the heathen prophets cajoled their gods to consume their sacrifice. Elijah, confident in his God, pestered them with taunts.

Then his turn came and he called upon the Lord God to send fire to burn his water-drenched sacrifice. And it came from heaven to devour not only the sacrifice but the altar itself. Elijah's faith was mightily vindicated.

That wasn't the end of Elijah's testing by aloneness. Queen Jezebel, infuriated at the loss of the priests, vowed his death. In fear he fled to a cave and there he cried out the words of our text. But God told him that He still had work for him to do and that there were yet 7,000 who were keeping the faith. Elijah wasn't alone.

Spiritually speaking, there is a general sense of aloneness today. God's people are a minority in the world, a rather small minority. The world's population is growing faster than evangelization is taking place. A man once asked Jesus, "Are there few that be saved?" Jesus didn't give him any numbers, but only asked him to be sure of his own relationship to Him. God will always have His 7,000. Be sure to be among them.

Then there is the personal aloneness one may experience. One may be the

only Christian in a home, in a small high school, in a college class or dormitory, in a military barracks, in a shop, in a construction outfit, in a rest home. There are people around, there are associations, perhaps even some pleasantries, but there is no fellowship at the deepest level, that of the soul. And there may be some persecution.

It is easy to become discouraged. A most prized tool of the devil is discouragement. But the answer to aloneness comes from men like Elijah and Jeremiah. They had their personal fellowship with the Lord. This sustained them. It was worth more than all else. The word to Christians is this: stay in the Word, give yourself to God's work, be much in prayer. And then I pray that God will give you Christian fellowship to help build you up in the most holy faith.

Remember, it is possible to escape aloneness by walking life's broad way, but that will lead to the final, ultimate aloneness, separation from God in hell for eternity. On the other hand, Christ's way here may at times lack Christian companionship, but it leads to the eternal fellowship with Christ and all the saints.

Raynard Huglen

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Invitation to the Thirteenth Annual Conference

As I am writing this, there is a great deal of activity on the campus of the Association Schools. Folks are very busy getting ready to host the 13th annual conference of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations. There is much to be done, such as sodding, landscaping, painting, shingling, carpet laying, sidewalk laying and repair, plus a host of other things. We trust that all will be in readiness by June 11th. We believe our people will be pleased with what they will discover at our schools.

Some very significant decisions will be made at this conference. Six young men will be ordained to the Gospel ministry. The new dormitory will be dedicated. Important elections and selections will be made. There will be a wealth of rich Christian fellowship and sincere, earnest prayer. Fresh realizations will come concerning our blessings and tasks. There will be a growth of gratitude to God for our privileges.

The congregations are the heart of

our work. Annually they meet with each other to plan their corporate work, and scrutinize the work of those in their service in missions, schools,



Rev. John P. Strand

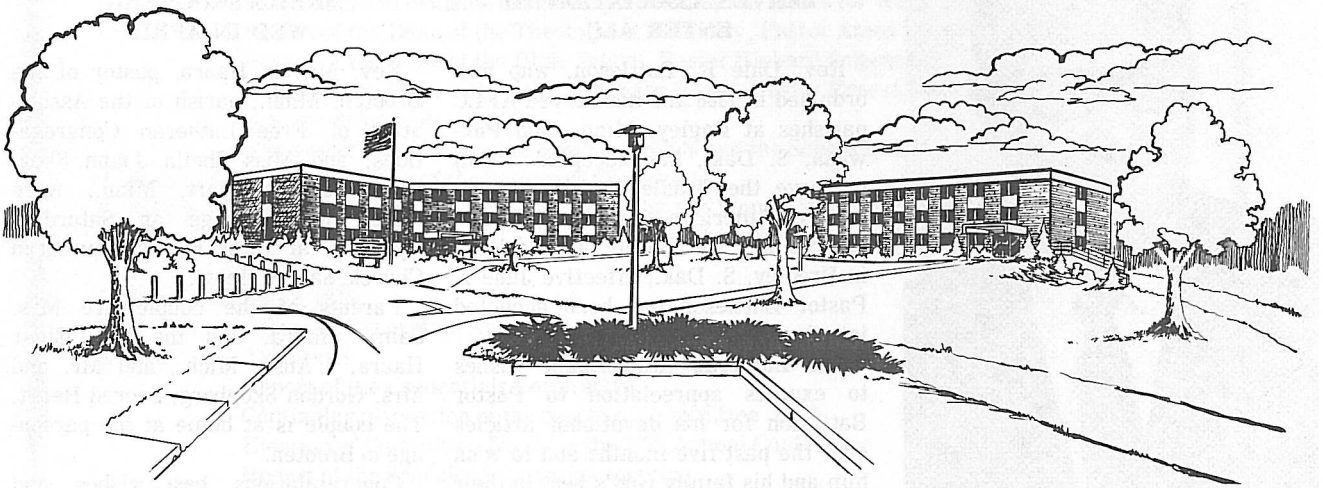
and overall ministry. Annually they give direction to the Association.

It is important that every congregation is represented at each conference. It is absolutely essential that each conference is undergirded by much prayer.

Come to the 13th Annual Conference of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations, June 11-15, at the Association Schools, co-hosts with the Medicine Lake Lutheran Church. A warm welcome awaits you.

“So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow-citizens with the saints, and are of God’s household, having been built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit” Ephesians 2: 19-22.

Sincerely in Christ,
Pastor John P. Strand, President
Association of Free Lutheran
Congregations



Artist's sketch: Association Free Lutheran Bible School—Norbert R. Limmer

**WELCOME TO THE 13TH
ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" (Psalm 133:1).

We are extremely pleased at Medicine Lake Lutheran Church to have a part in hosting the Annual Conference of the Association being held on the campus of our Schools in Minneapolis the week of June 11-15. We join with our Schools in extending a Christian welcome to members and friends of the AFLC to the Conference. Committees have been at work for a number of weeks preparing facilities and making plans to host the forthcoming event. More importantly, we are seeking the Lord in earnest prayer for an outpouring of His blessing and for the empowering presence of His Spirit throughout the Conference.

We view the Conference this year as a celebration of praise to God for past and present blessings. In truth we can say with the prophet of old, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." A second fine facility on our campus, the attractive new men's dormitory, will be dedicated at the Conference. Men of God, trained in our Seminary, will be ordained into the Christian ministry during the Conference. Reports will be shared of what God is doing throughout the Association, in our congregations and on our mission

fields. There will be important elections as well as other decisions calling for renewed commitment to the tasks before us. Let us come to the Conference rejoicing in what God has done and be resolved to move forward in His will to what lies before us.

With the added dormitory facilities now available, there will be room for many delegates to stay on campus. Reservations are requested, however, if you wish to be assured of a room. Breakfast and noon meals will be served at the dining hall. For persons who may prefer lodging elsewhere, our Courtesy Committee will be on hand to assist and direct you. Should you be coming to the Twin Cities for the first time, we will be prepared to assist you in every way possible and to make your stay here a pleasant experience. The Twin Cities have much to offer in the way of scenery and places of interest to visitors. Our Courtesy Committee will have literature on places you may wish to visit while here. We do trust your stay in Minneapolis might include some time for relaxation and sight-seeing as well as participation in the Conference. Welcome, then, in Jesus' name.

Jay G. Erickson, pastor
Medicine Lake Lutheran Church



Rev. Jay G. Erickson

**REV. DALE BATTLESON
LEAVES ASSOCIATION TO
ENTER ALC**

Rev. Dale R. Battleson, who was ordained in 1968 and has served AFLC parishes at Bagley, Minn., and Pukwana, S. Dak., has accepted a call to serve the Bradley-Crocker parish of the American Lutheran Church and he and his family are residing in Bradley, S. Dak., effective June 2. Pastor Battleson has been accepted into the ministerium of the ALC.

The *Lutheran Ambassador* wishes to express appreciation to Pastor Battleson for his devotional articles over the past five months and to wish him and his family God's best in their new church home.

**OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED
AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

* designates incumbent

President (3-year term)

* Rev. John P. Strand, Minneapolis, Minn.

(Having served three full consecutive terms, the incumbent must receive a 3/4 majority on the first ballot to be re-elected.)

Vice-President (1-year term)

* Rev. R. Snipstead, Minneapolis, Minn.

Secretary (1-year term)

* Rev. Dennis Gray, Grafton, N. Dak.

(For other Conference elections and nominations, see the May 20 issue of *The Lutheran Ambassador*.)

RULES FOR WORK CHANGE

That litera 10a, which presently reads: "No member can serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms" be changed to read: "No board member can serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms."

The above amendment will require a 2/3 majority at the 1975 Annual Conference to become effective. The change is proposed in order to make clear that corporation memberships are not bound to the two consecutive terms restriction which applies to board memberships.

**REV. MARVIN HAARA,
SHEILA SKOGBERG,
WED IN APRIL**

Rev. Marvin Haara, pastor of the Brooten, Minn., parish of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations, and Miss Sheila Joann Skogberg, Sacred Heart, Minn., were united in marriage on Saturday, April 12, at First English Lutheran Church, Sacred Heart.

Parents of the couple are Mrs. Saima Haara, and the late Einar Haara, L'Anse, Mich., and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Skogberg, Sacred Heart. The couple is at home at the parsonage in Brooten.

Congratulations, best wishes, and God's blessings.

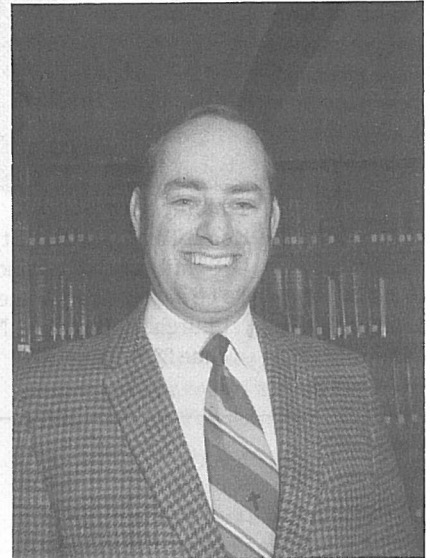
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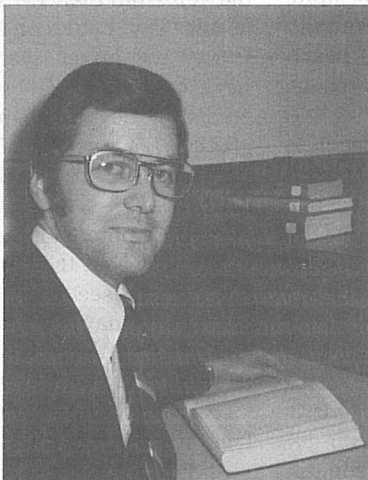
Donald Greven
Home Town: Minneapolis, Minn.
Called to Scandia Lutheran
Church, Sedan, Minn.
To be ordained at the
Annual Conference



Ragene Hodnefield
Home Town: Radcliffe, Ia.
Called by the Board of Home
Missions to Our Savior Lutheran
Church, Vancouver, Wash.
To be ordained at Salem
Lutheran Church, Radcliffe, Ia.,
August 3



Ronald Hoehne
Home Town: St. Louis, Mo.
Called to Calvary Lutheran
Church, Fergus Falls, Minn.
To be ordained at the Annual
Conference



Wesley Langaas
Home Town: Greenbush, Minn.
Called to the Hampden, N. Dak.,
Parish (Zion, Bethany, Zoar)
To be ordained at the
Annual Conference



Dale Mellgren
Home Town: Brooten, Minn.
Called to the Abercrombie, N. Dak.,
Parish (Bethany and Stiklestad)
To be ordained at the Annual
Conference



Timothy Skramstad
Home Town: Valley City, N. Dak.
U. S. Military Chaplaincy
To be ordained at Grace Lutheran
Church, Valley City, N. Dak.,
June 22



Norman Tenneboe
Home Town: Arlington, S. Dak.
Called to the Cumberland-Clayton,
Wis., Parish (Section Ten and
Bethany)
To be ordained at the Annual
Conference

BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD!

John 18, 1-19, 30

BY DR. O. HALLESBY

Let me see Thee, Thou Lamb of God!

I am tired of looking at myself. Day and night my eyes see only a bottomless ocean of self-satisfaction, self-will, selfishness, love of honor, vanity, envy, cowardliness, pride, dissatisfaction, ingratitude, hardness of heart. And the more I look, the dimmer my vision becomes, and my mind more cold.

And when I look about me, I see the same sinfulness and the same misery in others. Some bear the signs of coarser sins, others the refined mannerisms of self. O Thou Lamb of God! My eye becomes weary and my heart grows sick. Oh, let me but see Thee! I am so restless, so spiritually nervous. Therefore I ask Thee that Thou wilt give me rest at the foot of Thy cross. Make me to lie still and to see Thee, Thou Lamb of God.

There is such rest in beholding Thee.

When I consider how Thou didst approach Thy enemies, permitted Thy-

self to be killed by them in order to atone for their enmity, then I am encouraged to come to Thee with my heart—naturally so hateful towards God.

When I behold Thy suffering Love, how Thou dost open a way to Thy fallen and corrupt child, by Thy own blood, then a Heavenly peace and bliss flow into my tired and totured mind.

When I behold Thy pierced hands and wounded side, I no longer hesitate to throw myself into Thy bosom with all the fathomless sin of my heart. In Thy hands I feel as safe as though I had never disobeyed my God.

And when I behold Thy boundless Love, my cares and doubts disappear. Then I know Thy almighty Love will wipe out the boundless sin in my heart. I realize that I am seized by the strongest hands, and with the unspeakable joy of eternal hope I ask Thee to take a firmer and firmer hold of me with Thy pierced hands, until I never again shall be tempted to tear away from Thee.

O Thou Lamb of God! Let me behold Thee! Then shall sin become repulsive to me. I shall obtain a truer vision of the world about me. Then I shall desire to deny myself and to do good to others.

When I behold Thee, Thou patient

Lamb of God, I find strength to walk my little path of suffering through this world. Oh, let me therefore behold Thee when pains afflict my soul or my body. Teach me to suffer, Thou patient Lamb of God.

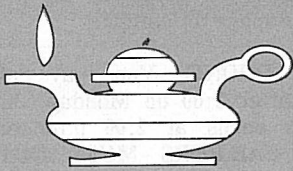
And one thing more. There are so many who do not see Thee, Thou Lamb of God. Lord, I know so many who would make much better Christians than I if Thou couldst but convert them. Oh, stay them! Remove the veil from their eyes that they may behold Thy Love. And help me that I may not lessen the power of Thy Love over them. Help me to go Thy errand of Love to them willingly and gladly. Let me behold Thee, Thou Lamb of God, in Thy boundless Love to all men!

Thou Lamb of God, let me see Thee in my joys that they may not ensnare me. Let me see Thee in my sorrows, that they may not rob me of my strength. Let me see Thee so I can truthfully say as Thy servant of old: "Truly my soul waiteth upon God, from Him cometh my salvation."

And then let me see Thee when my eyes close in death. Let me walk through that dark belt with my eyes fixed on Thee, Thou Lamb of God! On Thee alone! Amen.

(Translated by Margith Guldseth)

—Courtery, Tract Mission



SCHOOL NEWS

lege.) This will be followed by four weeks in Israel, one week in Greece and four days in Rome. Classwork will be a part of the travel and study program. There will be a brief stop in Amsterdam before returning to Chicago on August 5.

This is certainly a fine opportunity for Pastor Hosch and **The Lutheran Ambassador** will look forward to carrying a report of his trip when he returns.

PREPARATIONS MADE FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE

There was a mass exodus from AFLBS beginning on graduation night, May 16, and reaching its height the next day. By the end of May virtually all students were out of the dorms, those staying in the Cities having found apartments or other lodging.

Pattie Erickson, Glenda Aasness, Anne Snipstead, and Janet Wall have been doing cleaning work and painting in preparation for the Annual Conference. Also helping have been Marge and Paula Benson.

A landscaping crew has been busy at work re-sodding areas affected by the dorm building project. Some sections of the campus were seeded rather than sodded. Delegates to the conference will see a beautiful campus when they arrive. Students returning in the fall will notice quite a difference from the time they left.

AFLBS students held a farewell party for Pastor and Mrs. Snipstead on May 15 in the recreation room. A gift of money was presented to the Snipsteads.

A housewarming for Pastor Huglen in his apartment in the men's dorm was held on May 18, attended by faculty and staff. He was presented a folding "everything table."

SEMINARIANS PLACED FOR SUMMER WORK

Rev. Amos O. Dyrud, dean of Free Lutheran Seminary, announces the following placement for summer internship of the junior and middler classes of the Seminary.

Dean Casselton will assist Rev. Kenneth L. Anderson in the McVillevinford, N. Dak., parish (New Luther

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A REPORT ON THE BIBLE SCHOOL CHOIR TOURS

On March 31, the AFLBS Choir boarded a bus which would take us on a 15-day tour covering 6,000 miles. The day was miserable and cold and because of weather conditions our first concert had been cancelled. Though things looked gloomy, we began the trip anticipating many rich blessings from God.

Our first day of travel took us to Faith, S. Dak. Each church we sang at provided us with a dinner and lodging for the night. This gave us the opportunity to meet many people and establish new friendships.

On Tuesday the Choir travelled to Helena, Mont. Due to road conditions extra miles had to be driven and we arrived two hours late. A shorter concert was therefore given. The next morning the Choir had the experience of singing in the rotunda of the Montana State Capitol. This was one of the highlights of the Choir's tour.

From Helena we travelled to Kalispell, Mont. During the concert there a certificate of appreciation was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Sweeney by the Choir and Choral Club for their generous donation of three pianos to the Bible School.

The Choir spent the next four days around Seattle, Wash. We ministered to the Association churches at Everett, Lake Stevens and Kirkland. The Choir sang at Bethany Home in Everett on April 4th. That afternoon a tour of the Boeing Aircraft Plant had been arranged for the Choir.

A free day was given to the Choir while in the Seattle area. This time was spent seeing many tourist attractions.

From Kirkland, we went to Astoria, Ore., then to Eugene. This was our half-way mark of the tour. Eight concerts had been sung of our scheduled 16.

On April 8th the Choir sang at Ferndale, Wash. While travelling to Morton, Wash., the next day, we stopped in Seattle to sing a condensed concert at the Lutheran Bible Institute there.

At 6:00 a.m., April 9, we left Morton for Kalispell where a second program was given. Next we sang at North American Free Church in Great Falls, Mont. From there we went to Culbertson (one place we didn't stay overnight) and then to Tioga, N. Dak., after the concert. At Tioga the Choir sang for Sunday morning worship, which was broadcast over the radio. Sunday evening a performance was given at Minnewaukan, N. Dak.

The Choir sang its closing concert at Upsala, Minn., on Monday night. This brought an end to the main 1975 tour. Our director, Don Rodvold; pianist, Orpha Flaten; and dean, Richard Snipstead, along with the Choir members, agree that it was a success and all experiences and blessings received will long be remembered.

May 1-4 the Choir toured northern Minnesota and eastern North Dakota. The Choir gave concerts at Bagley, Minn., and McVillevinford, N. Dak. Sunday morning we travelled to Greenbush, Minn., to sing and then on to Roseau, Minn., for an afternoon concert. Blessings were received by both listeners and Choir members.

—Jennifer Broden

REV. HAROLD HOSCH TO VISIT MEDITERRANEAN WORLD

Rev. Harold Hosch, teacher in the Seminary and Bible School, will spend nearly six weeks in Israel, Greece and Rome this summer as part of an enrichment program through Wheaton College (Ill.) Graduate School.

Pastor Hosch will first spend three weeks in an orientation program at Wheaton, beginning June 8. (He has a B.A. and M.A. from Wheaton Col-

"Study to Show Thyself Approved" II Timothy 2:15

**13TH ANNUAL
ASSOCIATION OF FREE
LUTHERAN CONGREGATIONS
FAMILY BIBLE CAMP
JUNE 30-JULY 6
GALILEE BIBLE CAMP
LAKE BRONSON, MINN.**

DAILY SCHEDULES

- 7:00 Rising bell and devotions
- 7:30 Breakfast
- 8:15 Staff meeting
- 8:30 Camp clean-up
- 9:00 Bible hour
- 9:50 Recess
- 10:05 Choir (discussion period for adults and teens not in choir)
- 10:50 Recess
- 11:05 Mission hour
- 11:50 Dinner Youth
- 12:10 Dinner Adults
- 1:00 Quiet time (Confirmation and teen ages: can be used for discussion with Counselors)
- 2:00 Recreation (swimming, softball, volley ball, horseshoe, ping pong, boating, art of conversation)
- 5:00 Choir
- 5:30 Supper
- 7:00 Prayer times for all ages
- 7:45 Evening service
- 9:15 Campfires as announced
- 10:00 Devotions
- 10:20 Get ready for bed
- 10:40 Lights out!

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 7:30 Rising Bell
- 8:00 Breakfast
- 9:30 Bible hour
- 11:00 Morning worship
- 12:15 Dinner

CAMP CLOSES

FAMILY CAMP FACULTY

- Evangelist..... Rev. John Strand
- Adult Bible Teacher..... Rev. Francis Monseth
- Youth Bible Teacher Rev. Terry Olson
- Mission Hour..... Speakers from Mission Boards
- Choir..... Mr. Donald Rodvold

- Confirmation..... Student Pastor Marlin Olson
- Grade School Classes..... Miss Judith Wold
- Adult Prayer Hour..... Mr. Irvin Schmitke

CAMP STAFF

- Dean of Camp..... Rev. David Molstre
- Assistant Dean..... Rev. Stephen Odegaard
- Head Counselor..... Rev. Alvin Grothe
- Manager..... Mr. Robert Dietsche
- Assistant Manager.. Mr. Clifford Holm
- Registrars.... Mr. & Mrs. Art Arneson
- Assistant Registrar... Mr. LeRoy Flickinger
- Dean of Men..... Student Pastor Dale Mellgren
- Dean of Women..... Mrs. Aini Myking
- Ass't..... Miss Marjorie Benson
- Camp Nurse... Mrs. Stephen Odegaard
- Service Leader..... Rev. Dennis Gray
- Newspaper Editor.. Rev. Howard Kjos
- Recreation Director.. Mr. Don Balmer
- Bookstore..... Rev. & Mrs. Gerald Mundfrom
- Treasurer..... Mrs. Harold Erickson

LOCATION:

BY CAR: Go north on Highway No. 59 to Lake Bronson, Minnesota. Turn right (east) at Lake Bronson and go through the town and continue going east for about 2 miles until you enter the Lake Bronson State Park. Galilee Bible Camp is in the State Park and there will be signs showing you where to go. You do not have to buy a sticker for your car if you tell the park officials that you are going to the Bible Camp.

BY MAIL: Send mail in care of Galilee Bible Camp, Lake Bronson, Minn.

REGISTRATION:

Because this camp is smaller than Lake Geneva Bible Camp, we would like as many of you as possible to pre-register by June 15th. Please send your registration information and \$2.00 per person to Mr. and Mrs. Art Arneson, Spicer, Minnesota 56288. This \$2.00 will be deducted from your camp rate when you come.

If you have a camper, you are encouraged to bring it as we have ample space for campers.

BY PHONE: You may call 754-3237 after 2:00 on Monday, June 30. Camp opens at 2:00 p.m. on that day. CAMPERS MUST NOT ARRIVE UNTIL 2:00 P.M. ON MONDAY.

WHAT TO BRING: Bible, pencils, paper, a good supply of bedding, towels, wash cloths, personal items, sporting goods. Cottages normally hold four people. Divided cottages accommodate two each. Dormitory rooms are available for teens and single persons.

CAMP RULES

1. Do not bring radios, record players or tape players. Recorders are allowed to record sessions.
2. Bermuda shorts are for recreation only.
3. Dresses or skirts are to be worn in all sessions. Pant suits may be acceptable.
4. No mini-skirts or bikini bathing suits.
5. No firecrackers.

WEEKLY RATES

Meals and Lodging	
Children.....	\$ 9.00
Teens.....	\$16.00
Adults.....	\$20.00
Registration fee per person.....	\$ 1.00
Registration fee per family...	\$ 2.00
Maximum family rate.....	\$80.00

Individual meals are available at the camp. Tickets can be purchased in the registration office.

HEALTH CERTIFICATES

Law requires that any young person under eighteen must have a health certificate signed by a physician IF he attends camp without a parent or guardian. Ask your pastor for a copy of this form or write Mrs. Stephen Odegaard, Winger, Minnesota 56592.

Physicals can usually be used for more than one purpose. If you are attending another camp, or involved in the sports program of your school you can combine and use one form. Ask for additional forms, if you wish. Make certain they are dated. Parishes or districts may be able to organize a day for physicals, thereby reducing the cost.

editorials

BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The elections which will take place at next week's Annual Conference of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations have already been mentioned. They are important, they are crucial. The president, vice-president and secretary of the Church are to be chosen. Expired terms on various boards and committees are to be filled. Corporation memberships must be updated. There are committees to be selected for the 1976 conference.

It will be the privilege of the Conference to ordain six men into the Christian ministry. Five are graduates of our Seminary, the other, Missionary George Knapp, lacks credits, but because of his extensive experience in mission work and his seminary studies, and the fact that he has to return to the field this year, his ordination has been requested now by the Board of World Missions. Two other graduates of the Seminary this year have petitioned to have their ordinations in their home congregations and that will be so done at later dates.

Another conference highlight will be the dedication of the men's dormitory of the Bible School. That event will take place on Sunday morning. The dedication address will be delivered by a man who has been so closely connected with most of the history of the school, Pastor R. Snipstead. The construction of the dormitory completes the hard core needs of the school. Further building may come at a later date (chapel, administration building), but the school can operate comfortably with what it now has. The dedication ceremony will be impressive and, together with the ordination service in the afternoon, will bring one of the largest crowds ever to assemble at the headquarters and campus.

The Annual Conference will be introduced to the evangelist-youth worker who has now been chosen for the

Church. He is Rev. David C. Molstre, Thief River Falls, Minnesota. His acceptance of call by the Commission on Evangelism, Coordinating Committee and Youth Board has been previously reported. The decision to call was made at the last annual conference and this year's meeting will be able to rejoice in the position filled.

There was some discussion last year about securing a director of home mission work in the Church. Perhaps that will come up again, although it is difficult to see how the AFLC could call still another man out of the parish ministry now for administrative work.

Another conference decision of last year has received little or no publicity during the year. It is one which resolved "that a qualified lay person be sought out by the Co-ordinating Committee as a full-time worker in the area of stewardship." There had been some objection that an evangelist should be secured before a stewardship counsellor. Now that position has been filled and the Co-ordinating Committee can move ahead on this matter, if it has been holding back on that account. At any rate, the Committee will advise the Conference on what has been done. Personally, we feel that the conference resolution should be expedited during the next year.

Home Missions will report considerable activity during the past year and the intention to support strongly two new fields in 1975-76. One has called a full-time pastor and the other will be served by a student this summer. Other promising areas are available to us, but the Church is hampered by a lack of pastors in entering them. The Church Extension Fund stands to experience good growth as the Schools have closed their loan program and are encouraging lenders to turn to the CEF instead. It is a fund which can accept all loans because the need is so great and what is loaned to it is in turn loaned to others. It is perpetual money.

In outreach in Brazil, no dramatic new steps are expected at the Conference. But don't be surprised to hear a strong plea made for a new missionary couple in the next year or so. While Miss Priscilla Wold was added to the mission force as a single worker during the twelve-month, so new mission couple has been sent out since the Connely Dyruds in 1969. The contention will likely be made that not much more new can be done in Brazil unless the mission staff is enlarged.

As to Schools, with the men's dormitory a reality, the work at the Bible School can be concentrated on the day-by-day teaching of the Scriptures and related subjects. There will be a call for more young men and women to come to study at AFLBS, to thus make use of the fine accommodations now available for both men and women. The Conference will be told, in all likelihood, that no dean of the Bible School will be chosen immediately, but during the ensuing year, and that in the meantime the duties which Pastor Snipstead has carried will be shared by several men. One or two new full-time staff may be enlisted to take up work at AFLBS this summer.

The Seminary is in need of more students, an annual situation. The number of men going into parish work from the Seminary next year will be less than this year. The continuing prayer of the Church must be for more men for the ministry. May the need lie heavy upon our hearts.

A minor revision to the Rules for Work is to be acted upon at this year's conference. It pertains to litera 10a, which presently reads, "No member can serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms." Paragraph 10 refers to corporation members as well as board members. It was the sense of the conference last year that the limitation to two consecutive terms was never intended to apply to corporation membership, only board membership. Hence, an amendment to change litera 10a was offered, reading thus: "No board member can serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms." We support this amendment and trust that the Conference will support it when it is acted upon.

Other business will be transacted in Minneapolis, June 11-15, and reports will be heard concerning general administration, stewardship, publications and parish education, pensions, youth work and other areas.

Prospects are for one of the largest turnouts for a conference in the history of the Association. Many will want to see the new dormitory and beautified grounds, some for the first time.

Again, we urge much prayer on behalf of the Annual Conference. Pray that the Spirit of God may be permitted to do His good work among us in unifying, purifying, motivating, enabling and directing the AFLC in the Kingdom work in which she has been permitted to share.

**ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE WOMEN'S
MISSIONARY FEDERATION OF THE AFLC**

at
Medicine Lake Lutheran Church
3110 E. Medicine Lake Blvd.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

WEDNESDAY FORENOON SESSION

June 11, 1975

9:00—10:00 a.m. Registration
9:00—9:30 a.m. Prayer Service. Leader: Mrs. Harvey Carlson, Grand Forks, N. Dak.
9:45 a.m. Prelude: Miss Orpha Flaten, (Med. Lake) Mpls.
Singspiration: Leader—Mrs. Donald Olson, Fargo, N. Dak.
Devotions: Mrs. Reuben Wee, Granite Falls, Minn.
Welcome: Mrs. Aini Myking (Med. Lake) Minneapolis
Response: President, Mrs. Robert Dietsche, Sand Creek, Wis.
Vocal Solo: Mrs. Victor Parsons, St. Paul, Minn. (Victory in Christ)
Bible Study: Mrs. Melvin Walla, Fergus Falls, Minn.
Hymn Sing
Business Meeting: Mrs. Robert Dietsche, presiding
Special Music: Women's Sextet (Hauge) Kenyon, Minn.
Memorial Service: Leader—Mrs. Julius Hermunslie, Fergus Falls; Organ Medley: Miss Flaten
Offertory CHURCH EXTENSION
Announcements
Closing Prayer
NOON LUNCHEON Cost \$2.00

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SERVICE

1:30 p.m.
Prelude
Hymn Sing

Devotions: Mrs. Harlan Hjermstad, Kenyon
Special Music: Cloquet, Minn.
Message: Pastor Herbert Franz, Cloquet, Minn.
Vocal Duet: Pastor and Mrs. Richard Anderson (Rose-dale) Minneapolis
Offertory CHURCH EXTENSION
Greetings
Comments
Benediction: Pastor Jay Erickson (Med. Lake) Minneapolis

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WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST at Medicine Lake Church parlors at 7:00 a.m. Thursday, June 12th. All ladies are welcome. Mrs. William Farrier, writer of this year's Bible Studies in **The Lutheran Ambassador**, will lead in devotions. Cost of Breakfast: 50¢.

FESTIVAL SERVICE

8:00 p.m. Thursday evening **June 12, 1975**
Prelude
Singspiration
Devotions: Mrs. Amos Hinderaker, Radcliffe, Ia.
Sextet: Buxton-Portland, North Dakota, Parish
Installation of Officers
Presentation of Honorary Membership Pins: Mrs. Dietsche
Offertory AFLC SEMINARY LIBRARY
Violin Solo: Seminarian Roger Pauluk, Minneapolis
Vocal Trio: Linda Moan, Marge Benson, Mary Rolf, Minneapolis
Message: Pastor John Strand, Minneapolis
Vocal Duet: Seminarian and Mrs. Rodger Olson, Minneapolis
Benediction: Pastor John Strand

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

WHY NOT MORE SUPPORT?

Recently the Choral Club (of AFLBS) presented its home concert at Medicine Lake Church, Minneapolis, Minn. It was disappointing to see the lack of support given this fine organization and its director. The school catalog states that it has two singing organizations to represent it. As such, both should be given equal support and encouragement.

The members of the Choral Club, their director and their accompanist, did an excellent job. The music was excellent, showing real depth of spirit and youthful enthusiasm. The testimonies were sincere and challenging. Thank God for dedicated young people for whom living for Christ and working for the furtherance of God's kingdom is serious business.

Mrs. Amos Stolee
Kenyon, Minn.

NOT ONE JOT OR TITTLE

I am very thankful for your editorials and do recognize in your writings that you are fulfilling a responsibility to be a "watchman" in regards to the "faith once for all manifested unto the saints."

It is to be questioned if \$29,000,000 annually, even in the cause of missions is to be judged as remunerative to the changing of one jot or tittle of the Word of God. I am sure that Israel of Old would never have thought so.

Pastor Ray S. Persson
Bemidji, Minn.

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Annual Conference of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations will be held on the campus of the Association Schools from June 11th through June 15th. This confer-

ence has great significance for the entire AFLC.

The Fundamental Principles of the AFLC stress the freedom and autonomy of the local congregation. God has chosen to reach the world with the Gospel through congregations. The work and place of congregations cannot be over-emphasized. No conference can make demands and determine actions of the individual congregation or Christian.

There are things that must be done in obedience to the command to disciple all nations that individual congregations cannot do. These things must be done in cooperation with other congregations. The Annual Conference is the basic means through which free congregations discuss and plan programs to reach out to a needy world with the Gospel. All members of all of our congregations are urged to attend the conference and have a right to speak and vote.

There will be many far-reaching decisions made at the conference this year. The executive committee (President, Vice-President, Secretary) must be elected or re-elected, as well as several board and committee members. Staff needs will again be discussed. Budgets will be reviewed and set. Reports will be heard from our schools and missions. There will be inspiring worship opportunities. The new men's dormitory will be dedicated. Several young men will be ordained into the Christian ministry. There will be much joy and gratitude as God's continuing blessings are seen again and again.

1976 is a significant year for the United States. There will be events celebrating our nation's 200th anniversary throughout the year. The AFLC should plan some fitting anniversary observances. A Christian citizen loves and supports his government.

The entire world is in deep anguish. Millions are starving. War is raging and threatens to spread. Our problems are much too big for mere man. We have a God Who alone can help. What does He want of us in the light of the starvation and misery so prevalent in our day? This, too, the Conference may consider.

There will be much Christian fel-

lowship at the Conference. Many of the delegates will be housed in the dormitories and eat their meals in the dining hall. Friendships will be renewed and new ones established.

Come to the Annual Conference. Come praying for God's guidance and for obedience to follow God's directions. Come rejoicing in God's continuing Grace on our fellowship. Come with a worshipful heart and mind to praise our Lord and Savior. Come with a renewed determination to disciple all nations. Come to share in our deepening fellowship.

"I love Thy kingdom, Lord,
The house of Thine abode,
The Church our blest Redeemer
saved
With His own precious blood.

I love Thy Church, O God!
Her walls before Thee stand,
Dear as the apple of Thine eye,
And graven on Thy hand.

Sure as Thy truth shall last,
To Zion shall be given.
The brightest glories earth can yield,
And brighter bliss of heaven."

—Free Lutheran Bulletin Service

HAUGE FEDERATION CAMP TO BE HELD NEAR CLITHERALL

The Hauge Lutheran Innermission Federation is sponsoring a family camp at Inspiration Point Bible Camp near Clitherall, Minnesota, June 23-29.

Speakers for the camp week include Pastor K. E. Heggstad, Pastor Arnold Windahl, Pastor Francis Monseth and Missionary Petra Jaabak.

Further information regarding the camp may be obtained by writing Mr. James Hoialmen, 4550 Bryant Avenue South (Apt. 3), Minneapolis, Minnesota 55409.

NOMINATION BY THE CONFERENCE

* designates incumbent
(3-year term)

Editor, **The Lutheran Ambassador**
(Election is by the Co-ordinating Committee)

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Valley and Bethany).

Marlyn Kruse will take care of Section Ten, Cumberland, and Bethany, Clayton (Wisconsin) during weekends in June before Mr. Norman Tenneboe arrives on July 8 as pastor.

Charles Kvanvig is student pastor of Faith Lutheran, Granite Falls, Minn., where he has served since he took over from Paul Persson.

Mauritz Lundeen is home on his farm near Brandon, Minn., this summer, but will do considerable Sunday preaching in churches in his community.

Marlin Olson is interning in the Thief River Falls, Minn., parish where Rev. David Molstre is pastor. Congregations are Our Savior's, Rindal, Reiner, Bethlehem and Emmanuel.

Rodger Olson will be working in Minot, N. Dak., in a new congregation being formed there under the Home Mission Board.

Ralph Rokke has assumed student pastor duties at Victory in Christ Lutheran, St. Paul, Minn., for the summer. The congregation has been served part-time by Pastor Francis Monseth.

Claire Stolee continues to assist at Rosedale Lutheran, Minneapolis, where Rev. Richard Anderson is pastor. Claire's grandfather, Rev. J. R. Gronseth, was pastor at Rosedale for many years.

John M. Koski will be working at St. John's Lutheran Church, Finlayson, Minn., this summer.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO OBTAIN PICTURES

Quite a few pictures have accumulated in the Ambassador office, pictures that have accompanied news items from the churches. If you have sent in such pictures in the past and they haven't been returned to you, please let me know about them when you come for the Annual Conference and I will try to locate them for you. In this way, too, we can save postage expense.

It would be best if you could write down a description of the pictures you want returned and give that to me.

The Editor

A FINAL PLEA FOR COUNSELLORS AT FAMILY CAMP

"And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together" (Jn. 4:36).

More counsellors for both boys and girls are needed for the AFLC Family Bible Camp to be held at Galilee Camp, Lake Bronson, Minn., June 29-July 6. The time is getting short and it is imperative that we know soon who can help us in this important work.

The most essential requirement for a counsellor is that one is a Christian. Counsellors must be at least one year out of high school. Please pray about whether you can serve in this responsibility.

If you are interested in being a counsellor at our Bible Camp, please write to Miss Marge Benson or Mrs. Aini Myking, co-deans of women, at 3110 East Medicine Lake Blvd., Minneapolis, Minn. 55441, or Dale Mellgren, Box 233, Abercrombie, N. Dak., 58001, as soon as possible. If you have never been a counsellor at camp before, please have your pastor send a letter of recommendation.

NEW INTEREST RATES ON LOANS

The Association of Free Lutheran Congregations is deeply grateful to its constituency for the wonderful response in loans received primarily into the Praise Fund to meet the cost of the Men's Dormitory building. To encourage people to make loans, the interest rate was set at 8% on loans of \$1,000.00 or more for a period of five years. This rate was the same for both the Schools Loan program and the Church Extension Fund. Due to decreasing returns on AFLC investments, the Schools' Board of Trustees and the Home Mission Board have decided to set the interest rate at 7% on all future loans in the amount of \$1000 or more and for a period of five years, and 6% on loans of less than \$1000 or for less than five years. This new rate will be effective as of June 1, 1975.

Business Office

I SING TO THEE WITH VOICE AND HEART

I sing to Thee with voice and heart,
Of all my joys the well;
I sing, that, what I know Thou art
My lips to all may tell:
That Thou a fountain art of grace,
With blessings richly stored
For all, in every time and place,
This well I know, O Lord.

Cheer up, faint heart, rejoice and sing,
All anxious fear resign;
For God, the sovereign Lord and King,
Is thy God, even Thine:
He is thy portion, He thy joy,
Thy life, and light, and Lord;
Thy counsellor when doubts annoy,
Thy shield and great reward.

In restless thoughts or dark despair
Why spend the days and night?
On Him who loves thee cast thy care;
He makes our burdens light:
Did not His love, and truth, and power
Watch o'er thy childhood's day?
Hath He not oft, in threatening hour,
Turned dreaded ills away?

His wisdom never plans in vain,
Ne'er falters, or mistakes;
All that His counsels wise ordain
A happy ending makes:
Upon thy mouth, then, lay thy hand,
And trust His guiding eye;
Thus, firm as rock, thy feet shall
stand,

Now and eternally.

P. Gerhardt

(from *Hymns from Landstad*)

HELGE IVERSENS IN NEW ASSIGNMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Helge Iversen (Miriam Ahlness), Namasu Wharfs, P.O. Box 1405, Lae, Papua, New Guinea, are no longer connected with Lutheran Shipping, but are now with Native Marketing and Supply Service Limited (Namasu). The organization is establishing a locally owned (native) enterprise to supply the rural population with basic food lines and general merchandise. Mr. Iversen is from Norway and Mrs. Iversen is a former missionary of the Lutheran Free Church.

THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
of
THE ASSOCIATION OF FREE
LUTHERAN CONGREGATIONS
June 11-15, 1975

co-hosts:

**The Association Schools and
Medicine Lake Lutheran Church
3110 East Medicine Lake Boulevard
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55441**

Theme: "FOR THE LIFE OF THE WORLD"

Conference Text: John 6:41-51

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 1975

- 9:00 a.m. — The Conference committees meet for devotions, instructions, and room assignments in the small classroom on first floor in the men's dormitory.
- 8:00 p.m. — The opening service of the conference with the sermon on the conference text by Pastor Wendell E. Johnson, Dalton, Minnesota. Pastor Jay G. Erickson, liturgist. The opening of the conference by Pastor John P. Strand and the appointment of the necessary committees. Offering to the General Fund.

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 1975

- 9:00 a.m. — Devotions
Report of the Credentials Committee, always in order.
Election of the Nominating Committee for 1976
President's Report
Report of the Chairman of the Co-ordinating Committee, Pastor Kenneth Anderson
Financial Report, Pastor Albert Hautamaki
Report of the Budget Analysis Committee
Report of the Nominating Committee, always in order.
Election of nominees for the Mission Corporation and the Schools Corporation.
Report of Committee No. 1.
- 11:30 a.m. — Prayer Hour. The prayer hours will be led by Pastor Alvin Grothe, Stacy, Minn.
- 2:00 p.m. — Devotions
Report of the Credentials Committee
Continuing discussion of the report of Committee No. 1
Election of the President, the Vice-President, and the Secretary of the AFLC
Election of nominees to the Co-ordinating Committee
Election of Committee No. 1 for the 1976 Annual Conference
Discussion and decision concerning amending the Rules for Work, litera 10a.
Report of the Dean of the Theological Seminary, Pastor Amos Dyrud
Report of the Dean of the Bible School, Pastor Richard Snipstead
Report of the Chairman of the Seminary Board, Pastor Ernest Langness
Report of Committee No. 2
Election of nominees to the Mission Boards and the School Board
- 6:00 p.m. — Annual Meeting of the Seminary Corporation
- 8:00 p.m. — Mission Festival Service conducted by the Women's Missionary Federation. Message by Pastor John P. Strand. Offering to the Library Fund. Installation of WMF officers.

FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1975

- 7:00 a.m. — Mission Corporation Annual Meeting
- 9:00 a.m. — Devotions
Report of the Credentials Committee
Continuing discussion of the report of Committee No. 2
Election of Committee No. 2 for the 1976 Annual Conference
Report of the Schools Corporation meeting

Report of the Chairman of the Foreign Mission Board, Mr. Robert Knutson
Report of the Chairman of the Home Mission Board, Pastor Herbert Franz
Report of the Chairman of the Commission on Evangelism, Pastor Jay Erickson
Report of Committee No. 3

11:30 a.m. — Prayer Hour

2:00 a.m. — Devotions

Report of the Credentials Committee

Continuing discussion of the Report of Committee No. 3

Report of the Mission Corporation meeting

6:00 p.m. — Banquet for the pastors and their wives at Radisson West, Highways 494 & 55, Plymouth, Minnesota

8:00 p.m. — Worship Service conducted by laymen of the church. The message will be given by Mr. LaVern Thompson, Fergus Falls, Minnesota. The service will be led by Mr. Stanley Holmaas, Newfolden, Minn. Offering to the Praise Program.

SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 1975

9:00 a.m. — Devotions

Report of the Credentials Committee

Continuing discussion of the report of Committee No. 3

Election of members to the Commission on Evangelism

Election of Committee No. 3 to the 1976 Annual Conference

Report of the Chairman of the Board of Publications and Parish Education, Pastor Raynard Huglen

Report of the Executive Secretary of the Department of Parish Education, Miss Judith Wold

Report of the Chairman of the Youth Board, Mr. Roger Strom

Report of the Luther League Federation, Pastor Kenneth Moland

Report of Committee No. 4

11:30 a.m. — Prayer Hour

2:00 p.m. — Devotions

Report of the Credentials Committee

Report of the Colloquy Committee

Election of members to the Board of Publications and Parish Education, and the Youth Board

Election of Committee No. 4 for the 1976 Annual Conference

Election of the Colloquy Committee for the 1976 Annual Conference

Report of the Chairman of the Stewardship Board, Mr. Robert Dietsche, Sand Creek, Wisconsin

Report of the Chairman of the Board of Pensions, Mr. Clifford Holm, Minneapolis, Minn.

Report of Committee No. 5

Election of members to the Stewardship Board and the Board of Pensions

Election of Committee No. 5 for the 1976 Annual Conference

Report of special committees

Election of the Budget Analysis Committee for 1976

Report of Committee No. 1 as the Committee on General Resolutions

8:00 p.m. — Youth Night at the conference. The service will be led by Mr. Roger Strom, Minneapolis, Minnesota. The message will be given by Pastor Bruce Dalager, Bagley, Minnesota. Offering to Home Missions.

SUNDAY, JUNE 15, 1975

8:00 a.m. — Communion Service with the meditation by Pastor Elden Nelson, Eugene, Oregon

10:30 a.m. — Dedication Service for the new men's dormitory. Message by Pastor Richard Snipstead, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Offering to Schools.

2:00 a.m. — Ordination Service with the message by Pastor John P. Strand, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Offering to Foreign Missions. Closing of the Conference.

Conference Committee:

Pastor Dennis Gray

Pastor John P. Strand

BIBLE CAMPS OF THE AFLC

Association Family Bible Camp

Galilee Bible Camp, Lake Bronson, Minnesota

June 30—July 6

(See full-page announcement in this issue.)

Pickerel Lake, South Dakota

June 23-29. Camp address: Grenville, S. Dak. Dean—Rev. John Rieth Ortley.

Registrar—Rev. Larry V. Severson, Wallace. Bible teacher—Rev. Howard Stockman. Evening speaker—Rev. Amos Dyrud. Cost—\$12. Age—12 years and up.

Upper Penninsula, Michigan

August 20-24. Camp address: Little Lake, Mich. Dean—Rev. Ernest J. Langness, 850 N. Pine St., Ishpeming. Registrar—Mrs. Ernest J. Langness, Ishpeming. Bible teacher—Rev. Henry A. E. Johansen. Evening speaker—Rev. Francis Monseth. Family camp. Cost—adults and teens, \$32, less for those younger.

Bethany, Minnesota

Senior camp, June 26-29. Junior camp, June 29—July 3. Junior camp is for youth in grades 4-9. Dean—Rev. Stephen Odegaard, Winger. Registrar—Mrs. Birdeen Holt, Fosston. Mission speaker—Missionary George Knapp. Evening speaker—Rev. J. G. Erickson. Cost for each camp—\$17. Camp address: Bemidji, Minn.

Lake Retreat, Washington

July 7-13. Camp address: 27850 Retreat, Kanaskat Rd. S. E., Ravensdale, Wash. Dean—Don Carter, 1608 114th N. E., Lake Stevens, Wash. Registrar—Lynn Walty, Box 318, Lake Stevens. Youth speaker—Rev. John Rieth. Adult speaker—Rev. Kenneth Moland. Family camp. Costs—adults, \$30; teens, \$25; "kids," \$22; family, \$90.

Whitewater State Park, Minnesota

June 24-29. Camp address: Rochester, Minn. Dean and Registrar—Rev. Richard Anderson, 140 West 44th St., Minneapolis, Minn. Senior high teacher—Rev. Dennis O'Neil. Evening speaker and Bible teacher—Rev. Wendell Johnson. Discussion hour—Rev. Terry Olson. Age—8th grade

(this fall) and above. Cost—\$20, or \$4 per day. Physical exam required.

Lakewood, North Dakota

July 7-13. Camp address: Devils Lake, N. Dak. Dean—Pastor Rodney Stue-land, Buxton, N. Dak. Camp manager—Rev. Eugene Enderlein, Minnewaukan. Adult Bible teacher—Rev. Philip Featherstone. Evening speaker—Rev. J. G. Erickson. Teen leader—Rev. Stephen Odegaard. Younger youth—Miss Judith Wold. Family camp. Costs—18 and above, \$25, 13-17—\$19.50; 6-12—\$15; tots—\$7.50. Registration fee—\$1.

Galilee, Minnesota

Young adult retreat, June 20-22. High school juniors and seniors and above. Rev. Philip Haugen, speaker. Regular camp, June 23-29. Address: Lake Bronson, Minn. Deans—Rev. Dennis Gray, Grafton, N. Dak., and Rev. Jerome Nikunen, Roseau, Minn. Camp manager—Sheldon Mortrud, Thief River Falls, Minn. Evangelist—Rev. Kenneth Pentti. Mission hour—Rev. Alvin Grothe. Bible teacher—Rev. Haugen. Campers must be 10 years old and up, through high school. Cost—\$15, plus \$2 for physical to be given opening day of camp.

CHESTER DYRUD

Rev. Chester A. Dyrud, for 11 years a member of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations, passed away suddenly at his farm home near Thief River Falls, Minn., on Thursday, May 1. Funeral services were held for him at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Thief River, on May 6, with Rev. David C. Molstre, officiating.

Rev. Amos Dyrud, Minneapolis, Minn., brother of the deceased, sang two solos, "Set Mig Saa Jeg Ser Dig, Jesus" (Lift Me Up That I May See Thee) and "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling" and spoke on behalf of the brothers and sisters. Rev. John P. Strand, president of the AFLC, brought a greeting from the Church and Mr. Robert Knutson, McVille, N. Dak., chairman of the mission board, brought a greeting. Rev. Connelly Dyrud, a son, responded for the family. Randy Moe was the organist. Pallbearers were Philip Grothe,

Arthur Joppru, James Johnson, Donald Lerud, Rueben Wold and Harlan Halvorson. Burial was in the Satersdal Cemetery.

Chester Arnold Dyrud was born on Feb. 7, 1905, at Climax, Minn., to Peter and Maria Dyrud. He moved with his family to the Newfolden, Minn., area and attended schools there. He was employed for several years by the Ose Brothers Construction Company and in 1945 began his own road construction company, operating that until 1960. He was also engaged in farming.

He was married to Helga Ose on Dec. 2, 1934. He is survived by his wife; four sons, Chester, Jr., College Park, Md., Loiell and Clark, Thief River, and Rev. Connelly, Campo Mourao, Brazil, who was home for the funeral; one daughter, Leola, Mrs. Philip Furman, Grand Forks, N. Dak.; three brothers, Rev. Clemence, Silverton, Ore., Rev. Amos Dyrud, and Harvey, Newfolden; two sisters, Beatrice, Mrs. Roy Rasmussen, McHenry, N. Dak., and Edel, Mrs. Clarence Gast, Argyle, Minn.; and six grandchildren.

One daughter and three sisters preceded him in death.

Blessed be his memory.

CLOUDS OF DOUBT

Tho' clouds of doubt may dim our way
And tears of anguish cause dismay,
We've only then to learn to trust
Our God who's ever wise and just.
He'll give what is the very best,
That we, His children, may be blest.
And when our doubts have passed
away,
He'll lead us to a brighter day;
And as we walk and talk with Him
We'll find our way no longer dim:
The birds will sing, the sun will shine,
And peace and joy will reign sublime.

Mrs. Kent Quanbeck

In a very real sense Christianity is the most materialistic of religions. Its central thesis is that God was made man—that He meets us in a physical body, speaks to us in a human language, and shows us how to live in a human environment with all the limitations of physical embodiment.

E. Stanley Jones

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