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*Ephphatha, that is,
Be opened.*

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Joy Without End

Easter Sunday 1965 is history, but the *joy* of Easter will *never* fade. No doubt churches across the country were filled to overflowing for Easter services. Many of those "worshippers," however, never experience the *real joy* of Easter, for they attend services only once a year.

The joy of Easter is not found in pretty clothing or in pleasant Easter activity. The joy of Easter is found in a *living hope* arranged by our heavenly Father Himself. Mankind's daily sins deserve God's anger and punishment, but the debt has been paid in full by Jesus' suffering and death. Jesus' resurrection guarantees God's satisfaction. Satan is crushed, sin's power is broken, and death is now a doorway to eternal life. This is the living hope in which all believers taste real joy.

The Christian lives this joy in faithfulness to God and His Word. Joy continues in regular church attendance, hearing and reading His Word, in prayer, and by doing His will. Do *you* know this joy?

Letter from Hong Kong

February 27, 1965

It does not seem possible that we have already been here in Hong Kong for one year. How quickly the time has passed! Why, it seems as if our farewells were said only yesterday. This is now the winter season of Hong Kong, but it has been very mild. We have had only a few "cold" days when the temperature dropped into the low 50's. In homes with no central heating, however, it can be uncomfortably cool. On chilly evenings we light a small kerosene heater in our home. So far this winter we have used only 6 gallons of kerosene. Our friends tell us that Hong Kong has had much colder winters, but we must wait to experience that.

Uses Chinese Signs

So much has happened since the last time I wrote I hardly know

where to start and what to say. In the middle of December I had quite an interesting experience. I was to preach at the deaf service in Chatham Road for Rev. Philip Ho. Arrangements had been made to have an interpreter for me. However, as I found out later, this man missed the train in from the New Territories where he had been that morning. He never arrived. Not one person at the service understood English. I had nothing left to do but to use my limited knowledge of Chinese signs and sign the service myself. I guarantee you that it was one of the shortest sermons I have ever preached! The deaf did seem to understand, and Mrs. Chen, our sign language interpreter, translated my signs into Cantonese for those who could hear. There's nothing like learning to swim by jumping in!

Christmas in Hong Kong

The commercial aspect of Christmas here in Hong Kong is not much different from that of any city in the States. Since November, stores were displaying their Christmas stock, and newspapers were filled with advertisements. In some of the larger department stores Christmas carols were played over the loudspeakers. A few stores even had "Father Christmas," the British Santa Claus. Crowds and traffic are always a problem in Hong Kong, but in the final weeks of the Christmas rush the situation was even worse. Long-needed pine Christmas trees were available to decorate the home, but we chose to buy a lovely plastic tree which looked as real as any I have seen.

The real joy of Christmas, the birthday of God's Son, was told on Christmas Eve to the English congregation at Nathan Road by the children of the Sunday school with memorized verses, songs, and a

pageant. This early service was followed by the Chinese Christmas service where I was privileged to preach. The deaf also took part in this service, and for many of them this was the first really joyful Christmas they had known. Later that evening as my wife and I were getting everything ready for Christmas Day at home, we were twice interrupted by the voices of carolers outside our gate. The second time it was 1 o'clock a.m. It is the custom here for choirs to go caroling after their Christmas service. Some continue as late as 2 or 3 a.m. If they came to our home at that hour, we did not hear them, for we were sound asleep.

A special Christmas service was arranged for the deaf on December 26. It was a combination of service and program. Both the Hong Kong and Kowloon deaf groups took part with choirs and skits. The Hong Kong group presented the Nativity as a pageant, and the Kowloon group gave a three-act play. Although the



The deaf choir from the Chatham Road Chapel sing at the Christmas program. They are signing "name"



Mrs. Sergia Esquerra, left, supervisor of handicapped schools in the Philippines, and Mrs. Vinluan, principal of the School for the Deaf and Blind. They stand beside a plaque which honors Miss Ric who began the school in 1907

play was comical in portions, it showed the real meaning of Christmas. The program was attended by about 250 deaf and perhaps 100 hearing. Afterwards bags of Christmas treats were distributed to each one present, and how excitedly the deaf boys and girls opened their bags! Along with the cookies and candy everyone received the Gospel of John and a lovely calendar with Bible verses.

The Philippines

On January 10 I left Hong Kong for a 3-week visit to the Philippines to survey the needs of the deaf in that country. It was my purpose to encourage our churches to be concerned for the deaf and to translate that concern into action.

With its many green islands dotting the blue waters of the Pacific Ocean the Philippines are beautiful.

In the north part of Luzon one can see the colorful rice terraces carved out of the mountainsides and the fertile valleys below. The tall and stately pines here give way to the palms and banana trees farther south. The country is now developing industrially, but basically it is still rural. Life does not move at a particularly fast pace here. The only things that move fast are the converted Jeeps, called Jeepneys, and the taxis. One takes his life in his own hands when he crosses a busy street.

Estimates of the deaf in the Philippines range from 30,000 to 70,000



Class in physics in the high school department of the deaf school

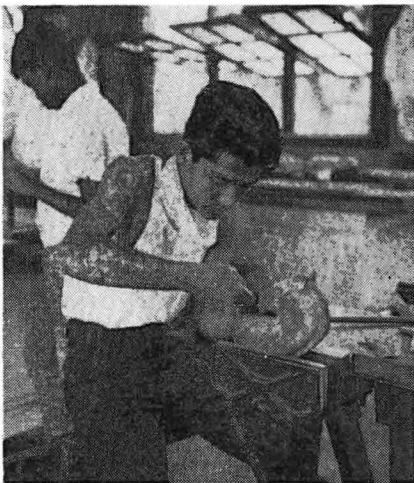
with no accurate figures available. It would seem that 30,000 is a minimum figure. For this number of people the government still has only one school, the School for the Deaf and the Blind in Pasay City, a suburb of Manila. Since my last visit in 1960, the enrollment here has increased by 25 percent, but this still totals only 332 deaf and 62 blind.

Thus 99 percent of the deaf population in the Philippines have no place to go for education. Since 80 percent of the students at the school come from the Greater Manila area, most of the deaf in the provinces have very little opportunity to receive an education.

Education leaders in the government would like to expand these opportunities, but it is the same story — no funds available. The staff at the deaf school is better trained than the staff in Taiwan, because several have had special training in the States. I feel that the development of deaf education in the Philippines might possibly be a Peace Corps project with the use of deaf Peace Corps volunteers. I encouraged the educational leaders to look into this possibility. It would be a great challenge to young deaf college graduates.

Employment for the Deaf

Since my last visit in 1960, the economic situation of the deaf has not improved by much. Naturally,



Deaf student learns the art of wood carving at the deaf school

many deaf depend on their families for support. Those who have received training for a vocation often find it difficult to get a job. The attitudes of employers towards the handicapped are not favorable. Vocational training is given at school in carpentry, wood carving, barbering, general electricity, gardening, tailoring, dressmaking, and domestic science. The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) has now developed three regional training centers where courses are taught in carpentry, agriculture, basketry, and garment construction. A total of 187 deaf have received the one-year's training here since 1954. Six more centers will be built in the future. Credit is to be given to the OVR for providing these centers for the handicapped.

Deaf Association

The major deaf association in the country is the Philippine Association for the Deaf (PAD) in Manila. It has the typical problem of deaf associations — not enough members. Of the 2,000 plus deaf in the Greater Manila area the active membership list has only 160 members. The PAD receives an annual subsidy from the Community Chest, since it not only is a recreational club, but also offers instruction in such things as knitting and sewing for women, conducts some classes in reading and writing, and provides relief help to a small extent.

If anyone would be interested in writing to the club to learn more about the deaf in the Philippines the address is: 23-B North Domingo, San Juan, Rizal, Philippines. Since English is the medium of instruction in the deaf school, communication



Officers and members of the Philippine Association for the Deaf at their office in Manila. The man on the far left in back is Richard West, vice-president of the club. Standing in front of Mr. West is Mrs. Carlos who serves as interpreter. Mrs. Carlos' parents are deaf

would be no problem. I am sure they would be happy to hear from some of you. By the way, the language of signs in the Philippines is identical to signs in the States. It seemed good to be able to use my American signs once again. Some Chinese signs have become such a part of me, however, that I found myself having to stop and think what the American sign was.

Religion for the Deaf

The most encouraging part of my visit to the Philippines was to see that some Christian work among the deaf had started since my last visit, although it was not our church doing it. In October of 1962 Rev. Wayne Shaneyfelt, a missionary to the deaf of the Assemblies of God Church, came to the Philippines. He

is now teaching the language of signs at Bible institutes so that others will know how to speak to the deaf. He has also started deaf work in Manila. I visited portions of his two services on Sunday and found at both morning and afternoon service about 12 deaf. They showed real joy and interest in signing Christian songs and studying passages of Scripture. We are hopeful that our church in the Philippines may also start such work.

The Roman Catholic Church also conducts services for the deaf once a month at a large church in downtown Manila. Right now an American priest, Father Fiorino, formerly of Baltimore, Md., is working with the deaf as well as teaching in one of the seminaries.

Five years ago it was not possible



Rev. W. F. Reinking crosses a narrow foot-bridge on his 3½-hour hike from an airstrip into Copias in northern Luzon

for the deaf to hear the Gospel of Jesus' love. Today the opportunity exists. Our church also has a responsibility to the deaf, and we are considering how we can approach the challenge. Pray that the leaders of our church in the Philippines will be blessed with the wisdom and courage to venture forth with a program to reach the deaf with the wonderful news of Jesus' love and forgiveness. This year the Christian church marks its 400th anniversary of work in the Philippines. During those 400 years, no one has worried about the spiritual welfare of the deaf. May God encourage the Christian church to be alert to this responsibility and to rise to meet the challenge.

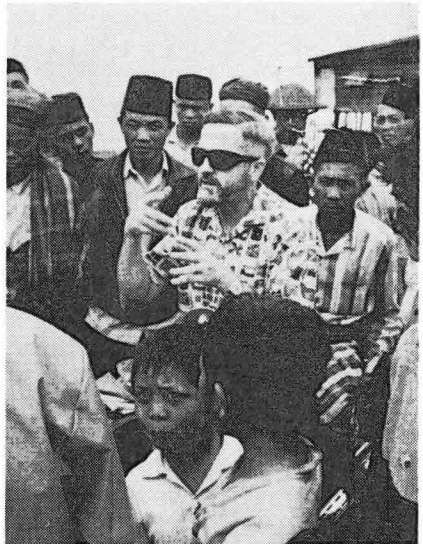
The Lutheran Church

During my 3-week stay in the Philippines I spent the first week

in Manila and had a chance to attend some of the sessions of the convention of the Lutheran Church in the Philippines. I was also granted the privilege to speak to the delegates regarding my interest in deaf work. I was pleased to see sincere interest on their part in reaching the deaf of their country.

The second week was spent in the Mt. Province of Northern Luzon where I visited some of our mission stations. Here I met a former helper in deaf work, Rev. Harold Bauder, who had once helped teach deaf classes at Jacksonville, Ill. He has recently moved to his new work here, and he and his lovely wife show real enthusiasm for the task the Lord has given to them.

A highlight of the visit in Mt. Province was the trip to visit one of our Philippino pastors, Rev. Thomas Batong, in the village of Copias. I was flown in the mission plane to an airstrip from which I hiked three



Rev. Robert McAmis in Tampang, Mindanao, telling Moslems how Rev. Reinking uses the language of signs to communicate with the deaf

and a half hours to Copias. The view from Rev. Batong's home, the valley below, the mountains across the way with their rice terraces and occasional waterfalls, is just beautiful. One evening a number of his members gathered to hear me speak about deaf work. How fascinated they were with the signs! They had never seen anything like that before. They promised to pray for deaf work all over the world, even though they themselves have seldom gone beyond their valley.

The following week was spent in the central and southern part of the Philippines. I met with our pastors and missionaries here to discuss the possibilities for deaf work in their areas.

One of the highlights of this trip

was the day spent with Rev. Robert McAmis in the Moslem village of Tamparan on the Island of Mindanao. In the western half of Mindanao live about 1 million Moslems, and our church has now begun to work among them. The work will not be easy, but God promises that His Word will not return void. Here I met a young deaf boy about 14 years old. We now hope to assist him in enrolling in the deaf school in Manila. If this can be done, it will be a demonstration of Christian love that will assist Rev. McAmis in his work among the Moslems.

Now in closing may the joy of the risen and victorious Savior be yours always.

REV. W. F. REINKING
Kowloon, Hong Kong

The Forgotten Majority—Our Church Officers

All of us as members of Christ serve our Lord and Savior in whatever walk of life He has placed us — as fathers, mothers, teachers, pastors, farmers, printers, shoemakers, as the "butcher, baker, candlestick-maker," or whatever. We are all in this together. One Christian shoemaker said, "It is my duty to preach the Gospel, and I cobble shoes to pay the expenses." He had the spirit of Christ and the right view of the stewardship of life.

Some people are asked to use their talents in more responsible service. I do not mean pastors and teachers. We often overlook another group. Our church officers are often the "forgotten majority." I dare say, behind every successful pastor and in every growing congregation is this solid corps of faithful laborers. In fact, a church cannot succeed

without them. When a church does not progress or succeed, it is because that church has few faithful leaders and officers.

Again and again, as I visit our deaf churches, this fact is impressed upon me. I have been pleasantly surprised at most meetings to find good men quietly "about the Father's business." They are serving their Lord and Savior as faithful and responsible officers. We now have about 50 deaf congregations. If we count the minimum of 4 officers for each congregation (some congregations have up to 10 officers), we have the minimum of 200 deaf laymen. It is a joy to see these men giving themselves in service for Jesus' sake.

Again this year, in December and January, our deaf churches have elected their officers. Most of these

men serve in their humble, quiet manner without notice and without applause. Know this, however: Their Lord and Master does not forget them. "The Lord has need of them." May God bless them in their service as they remember their

oath of office and their responsibilities! May they always find joy and satisfaction in humble and faithful service!

REV. HERBERT ROHE
St. Louis, Mo.

Children in Church

Christian parents share a common question. How do you teach children to behave in church?

There are probably as many answers to this question as there are children. No two are alike. But it should be possible in a general way to lay down some guidelines for teaching proper church decorum for children.

The first necessity, of course, is for the parents and the other adults to observe proper respect for God's house. Children will learn more from what they see other people do than from what they are told to do. If the adults behave in church as if they were standing around in someone's living room, the children really cannot be blamed if they begin to play as if they were in someone's house. Or if the parents wander where they please without showing respect for the altar, the cross, or the chancel, the children's curiosity will naturally prompt them to explore also the pulpit and the organ.

Second, the standards of behavior set for children should take into consideration the fact that they are children and that most church services were designed for adults. A child's attention span will not be as long as the minister's sermon. Young, active bodies will not remain still as long as older, more obedient

frames. If one plans to teach children how to behave in church, he will never succeed if he plans to teach them to behave as adults.

Third, it will be quite impossible for parents to teach children how to behave in church if they leave the children at home or use the children as an excuse to stay home themselves.

This latter point was brought home to the writer at a recent luncheon at Kendall School for the Deaf in Washington. It was shortly before Christmas vacation, and the principal, Miss Frances Phillips, had provided decorative centerpieces for the tables and as a small gift for the senior girls. At one point during the luncheon it became necessary for Miss Phillips to tell some of the younger pupils not to play with their centerpiece. After she had restored order, she asked the teachers at her table, where the writer had the good fortune to be a guest, "How do you teach deaf children not to play with centerpieces?" When no one was able to give a golden answer in 30 seconds, Miss Phillips answered her own question. "Why, you give them centerpieces that are not to play with." We laughed because it was a stated truth clothed in humor. But the point was well made. True, it is a kind of bare practicality without

the frills of motivation and evaluation. But a great deal less could have been said with many more words.

How do you teach children to behave in church? You take them to church and teach them how to behave.

One more point should be added. In many teaching-learning situations you get what you expect. If you expect children to be unruly in church, and if you expect all efforts to keep their behavior within reasonable bounds to fail, you will fail. But if you set limits that are reasonable limits, limits that the children can be taught to expect and to respect, their behavior, too, can be moulded so that it will be acceptable. If you expect children to behave in church with a special respect, they will.

But remember that the children

will accept God's house as a special house only if the adults already have. The children will still be children. And they will never learn how to behave in church if they are kept at home.

Bring children to church. Then teach them how to behave. When their behavior is good, reward it. When it is not acceptable, withhold rewards. But above all, let the adults set for the children an example that is consistent with their expectation for their children. And all the while everyone must keep in mind that it is unreasonable to expect children to behave as if they were adults.

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REV. H. W. HOEMANN
Washington, D. C.



FIELD

GLEANINGS

Vancouver Deaf Note Building Progress

Vancouver, B. C., Can. Trinity Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Vancouver, is moving ahead with plans to build a new chapel with educational and social facilities.

Earlier this year the congregation negotiated with the City of Vancouver to purchase a site near the geographic center of Greater Van-

couver. An offer of \$18,000 for the site was acceptable to both sides. The property covers an area of four 35-foot lots, 140×122 feet. The new chapel is expected to seat 150 people.

Dr. J. M. Schmidt, the architect selected for the project, is presently submitting pencil sketches of the proposed building to Trinity Congregation's building committee.

Dixie Region Lutheran Deaf
Conference
at Pensacola, Fla.
May 29—30, 1965

Midwest Lutheran Deaf
Lay Conference
at Lake Okoboji, Milford, Iowa
August 20—22, 1965

Sabrina Haug Baptized

Houston, Tex. Sabrina Fae Haug, infant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Haug, was received into God's kingdom of grace through Holy Baptism Dec. 25, 1964.

Sabrina's sponsors, Miss Cheryl Broome of Orchard Lake, Mich., and Rev. George Heidenrich of Mill Neck Manor, N. Y., were represented by proxy.

Pastor Haug serves the deaf in Houston and southern Texas.

Pastor Theodore Frederking Serves Arizona Deaf

Phoenix, Ariz. Rev. Theodore Frederking, who retired from the ministry to the deaf in 1962, is once again serving the deaf as a semi-retired pastor in Arizona.

Services are held every Sunday in Phoenix where 12 deaf worship. Two of these members live in Flagstaff and travel to church every Sunday some 135 miles one way. Pastor Frederking also serves Tucson and 10 members once a month. Our Savior's Lutheran Church (hearing) in Tucson conducts a Sunday school program every Sunday for some 60 deaf children.

For the past few years the deaf

of Arizona have been served from the Riverside, Calif., field. Now, since October 1964, Pastor Frederking has ministered to their needs.

Pastor Frederking was called to the hearing ministry upon graduation from Concordia Seminary, Saint Louis, in 1921. Eleven years later while pastor of a hearing congregation in Michigan he began serving the deaf in three cities. In 1937 Pastor Frederking accepted the call to Cleveland, Ohio, and eventually reached the deaf in 18 cities of Ohio, western New York and western Pennsylvania. This field was di-



Rev. Theodore Frederking

vided sometime later, and today, by God's blessing and grace, the area is served by four full-time pastors. Pastor Frederking served the Cleveland field for 25 years before retiring.

Now in semiretirement in Arizona, Pastor Frederking looks to our gracious God for His blessings upon His work. If you are planning a trip to

Arizona this summer, contact Rev. Theodore Frederking for times and places of his services.

Pastor's New Stoles Improve The Beauty of Worship

Dallas, Tex. Rev. W. E. Duey, pastor of the Dallas field, recently received a gift of stoles for use in conducting his worship services. The stoles were purchased for the deaf congregation by the Ladies Aid of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church (hearing) of Dallas.

Purchased as make-it-yourself kits, the stoles needed to be assembled and sewed. This task was accepted by Mrs. Helmut Quiram, Jr., a member of Pastor Duey's silent congregation.

Stoles are worn around the pastor's neck. Made of silk or silk damask, they are about 2½ inches wide at the neck and broaden to 4 or 5 inches wide at knee-length.

The pastor's stoles are made in five different colors to agree with the color used on the altar. This color is used to emphasize the season in the church year. The color *violet* represents penitence, sorrow for sins, and watchfulness. It is used in Advent (just before Christmas) and in Lent.

White is the color of purity and joy. It is used on the important days of the church year — Christmas season, the Easter season, and others.

Red is for blood, martyrdom, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. It is used on Pentecost, Reformation Sunday, and the days commemorating the saints.

Green is the symbol of life. We think of God's care of us and the growth of His church. We use this color during the Trinity season.



Mrs. Helmut Quiram, Jr., completes her task of assembling a set of stoles for her pastor, Rev. W. E. Duey

Black represents death and deepest sorrow for sin. It is used on Good Friday and on the Day of Humiliation and Prayer.

Color is important for the deaf and improves the beauty of their worship. These symbols of color remind each worshiper of God's love, mercy, and forgiveness for him.

Mission Bus Project

West Hartford, Conn. The New England Field is busy with a special project to collect all kinds of trading stamps. With 2,442 books of stamps they will be able to obtain a small school bus for church work and their summer camp program.

Rev. Earl Thaler, one of the missionaries serving the New England Field, gave special acknowledgment in his monthly newsletter to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hadd of Harwich, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. Hadd, parents of a student at the American School for the Deaf, made a personal effort to publicize the project in local churches

and on the radio. In this manner 72 books of stamps were gathered.

The deaf of New England are now more than halfway to their goal. Should any reader of the DEAF LUTHERAN wish to help this project,

trading stamps may be mailed to: "Mission Bus," 32 Brunswick Avenue, West Hartford, Conn. 06107. Any kind of trading stamp, loose or in filled or partly filled books, will be acceptable.



“LIGHT FOR YOUR WAY”

Daily Bible Readings

for May

- May 1** — **Isaiah 1:1-20.** With continuing patience God encourages us to accept His forgiveness. Ask God to send His Spirit to all people in our nation. Pray that they see their sin and their need for repentance.
- May 2** — **Isaiah 6:1-13.** Do not say only, “Woe is me!” but go on to say, “Here am I, send me.” Pray that many young people in our church will accept God’s call to become pastors and teachers.
- May 3** — **Isaiah 11:1-16.** As a Christian eagerly encourage all deaf to come and worship with you no matter what their class or race. Pray that all Christians may understand the full love of God.
- May 4** — **Isaiah 34:1—35:4.** God may use Satan’s temptation of suffering to strengthen our faith. Pray for Christians in other countries whose governments cause them suffering.
- May 5** — **Isaiah 40:1-17.** As you listen to God’s Word, hear this one clearly: “Your sins are covered!” Ask God to give our church courage to preach His Word of love and forgiveness to the deaf in the Philippines.
- May 6** — **Isaiah 43:1-25.** God assures us that His church will grow until the end of the world. Ask God to give you His Holy Spirit to lead you to do His will.
- May 7** — **Isaiah 53:1-9.** God knows our weaknesses and our burdens. He gives us freedom in forgiveness. Pray for the deaf in the North Dakota field that they may increase in faith and love.
- May 8** — **Isaiah 55:1-13.** Stop your fear. Forget your pride. Accept Jesus’ way for life. Seek Him! Ask God to bless the work of our pastors who serve the deaf-blind.
- May 9** — **Isaiah 60:1-18.** The Lord has chosen His people—all Christians—to call the world to Jesus. Pray that all Christians may have the courage to speak for Jesus’ sake.

- May 10** — **Isaiah 65:1-12.** Only through God's grace do you have the desire to hear and do His will. Pray for the families in your church that all hearts may be open to God's Word.
- May 11** — **Jeremiah 1:1-19.** God gives the strength to do what He asks us to do. Trust Him to give it! Pray for the deaf in the Madison, Wis., field that they continue to trust God above all things.
- May 12** — **Jeremiah 2:1-28.** God sees all sin and His judgment is terrible. Follow the way of the Lord. Pray for Rev. E. J. Thaler, West Hartford, Conn.
- May 13** — **Jeremiah 4:11-31.** God will use suffering to open the eyes of people to their sin. Pray that all people may see their sin, repent, and ask God for forgiveness in Jesus Christ.
- May 14** — **Jeremiah 20:1-18.** The truth is not easy to say. Speak your faith and stop fearing. God is with you. Ask God to strengthen the new members in your church to speak boldly for Jesus.
- May 15** — **Jeremiah 27:1-15.** If you speak the truth for God, you must also speak against all sin. Ask God to give you courage to live a Christian life.
- May 16** — **Jeremiah 29:1-14.** God's people are safe and secure in God's hand. Be faithful! Pray for Mrs. Janet Hewitt, pastor's wife, Cleveland, Ohio.
- May 17** — **Jeremiah 31:15-34.** You are living in the promised day. You can speak for God. You know Him in Jesus. Pray for your Sunday school and its teachers that the children may hear and understand God's Word.
- May 18** — **Ezekiel 2:1—3:11.** When you speak to people, speak so that they know a man of God has spoken. Ask God to bless the work of the Home for Young Deaf in Ibadan, Nigeria.
- May 19** — **Ezekiel 12:1-20.** Speak of God's grace and forgiveness. Practice living with your family under God's Word of grace. Pray for Rev. Louis Jasper, New York, N. Y.
- May 20** — **Ezekiel 18:1-32.** You can only blame your weakness and sin on yourself. Ask God for forgiveness. Pray that He will lead you.
- May 21** — **Ezekiel 22:1-31.** If God gave us what we deserve, we would not be able to endure His anger. Thank God for his mercy in sending Jesus to suffer our punishment and give us forgiveness.
- May 22** — **Ezekiel 33:1-20.** The things you know about God and salvation place a heavy responsibility on you. Pray for Mrs. Ethel Kosche, pastor's wife, Delavan, Wis., and Mrs. Dorothy Mason, pastor's wife, Chicago, Ill.
- May 23** — **Ezekiel 34:1-16.** As Christians we are also shepherds of others that God wants us to lead to Him. Pray for Mrs. Alberta Jonas, pastor's wife, Los Angeles, Calif.
- May 24** — **Ezekiel 36:16-38.** God has blessed us with more than we need. Praise His name so that others might know He is Lord. Pray for the deaf of the Washington, D. C., field that they may accept God's plan for their lives.

- May 25** — **Ezekiel 37:1-14.** God gave us life among other Christians. Give thanks to God for His great blessings, especially the blessing to worship with your fellow Christians.
- May 26** — **Daniel 2:24-45.** The Kingdom of Christ is stronger than any government. And it has no boundaries. Pray that all the rulers of the world might humble themselves and accept the peace that Jesus gives.
- May 27** — **Daniel 3:1-30.** God protects His people so that His name gets the praise. Pray that Jesus, who ascended into heaven, may always be present with you. Follow Him!
- May 28** — **Daniel 4:19-37.** Pride is always against God. Thank God for your health and your abilities. Praise God for your success in work.
- May 29** — **Daniel 5:1-31.** God has set limits for every nation and government. Trust His loving will. Pray that God will guide our government to be an instrument of His will.
- May 30** — **Daniel 6:1-28.** Sincere faith, shown by courage and zeal, marks you as one of His children. Pray that God will guide the deaf of the San Francisco field to walk as His children.
- May 31** — **Daniel 9:1-27.** No matter what may happen to us during this year, we know that God is ever with us and has prepared a heavenly home for us. Pray that everything may work together for our good. Pray for courage to depend on Him.

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