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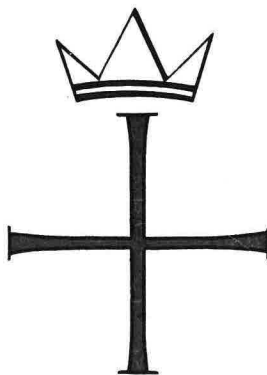
*Ephphatha, that is,
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And I will give thee a crown of Life.”
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A Vacation Guest

Now that summer is fully upon us, many of us can only think of one thing — our vacation. We eagerly wait and plan for those two or three weeks when we can get away from our regular tasks. We are tired of the same day-after-day routine. We need something new, something to give us a fresh outlook on life.

Perhaps some of us will plan to drive to a distant city to visit friends and relatives. Some of us may enjoy the quiet of a summer camp away from the hurry and traffic of the city. Whatever we will do, it will be delightful to relax without the responsibility of our everyday life.

Vacations are fun, but they can also be dull and tiring without the blessings of God. How often do we forget that our God is also our God at vacation time? A vacation can be a greater blessing to us if we remember to use our time to give glory to God's name.

As I plan my vacation this year, I want to keep some things about God in my mind. Perhaps you will want to keep them in your mind, too.

1. Take a trip or go camping, but slow down! Let the wonders of everything God created impress you. Accept the awesome beauty as part of God's handiwork. Thrill to His creation as you offer a prayer of praise to Him.

2. Take God with you on your trip. Pray that He will keep your trip safe. Pray that He will help you remember your responsibility as a safe and courteous driver.

3. Take your faith with you. Our Lutheran Church has worship services in 240 cities of the United States and Canada. Ask your pastor to give you the information before you leave on your trip.

4. Take your Bible and prayer book with you. Take time and make time to think about God's Holy Word and grow in faith. The Four Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, which tell of Jesus' life, would be a good place to begin.

5. Remember your church while you are away. Your church still has expenses to pay, although many members may be gone on vacation. Take care of your offering to Jesus before you leave.

6. Take time to praise God with the hymn writer:

Oh, that I had a thousand voices
To praise my God with thousand tongues!
My heart, which in the Lord rejoices,
Would then proclaim in grateful songs
To all, wherever I might be,
What great things God hath done for me.

Ye forest leaves so green and tender,
That dance for joy in summer air;
Ye meadow grasses, bright and slender;
Ye flow'rs, so wondrous sweet and fair;
Ye live to show His praise alone,
With me now make His glory known.

All creatures that have breath and motion,
That throng the earth, the sea, and sky,
Now join me in my heart's devotion,
Help me to raise His praises high.
My utmost pow'rs can ne'er aright
Declare the wonders of His might.

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Then when the wonderful vacation is over, let us come home refreshed, relaxed, and ready to serve our Lord Jesus with faith-action and love-action in His Kingdom's work.



Mr. Archie Marshall (center), member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf, St. Louis, is welcomed to Washington, D. C., by Mr. Hobart Taylor (left) of President Johnson's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity. Mr. Taylor telegraphed Mr. Marshall and asked him to help encourage Negro youth to study hard for better education and employment.

Rev. H. W. Hoemann interprets

Vice-President Humphrey Honors Lutheran Deaf Man

St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. Archie Marshall, member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf, St. Louis, was invited to Washington, D. C., at the request of Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey, for a special meeting of Negro executives on April 28.

The meeting was sponsored by the Plans for Progress Committee to ask Mr. Marshall and the other participants to help encourage Negro youth to desire and study for better education and employment. These participants will lecture at colleges and high schools which have a large Negro enrollment. The Vice-President asked Mr. Marshall and the other persons at the meeting to take this message to the young Negro people of our country: white and Negro youth have the same chance today to get similar work. Therefore all students should prepare themselves eagerly and carefully for the challenges which await them in their future adult life.

Mr. Marshall served as an excellent example to those who gathered to hear the Vice-President speak. Mr. Marshall lost his hearing at the age of six. Handicapped by a high percentage of hearing loss, his hope for future employment was even more limited because he was a Negro. Yet Mr. Marshall decided to study

for a career in commercial art, a goal very difficult for a Negro deaf man to reach.

Eager for success as an artist, Mr. Marshall attended the Art Institute of Chicago with the support of the Missouri Department of Rehabilitation. Here he finished the 4-year course of study in 3 years. It was the Universal Match Company that gave Mr. Marshall his first chance to show his skill. That was all he needed, for Mr. Marshall became the first Negro to be employed at Universal Match in St. Louis. It was Universal Match that sponsored Mr. Marshall's April visit to Washington.

Rev. H. W. Hoemann, campus pastor for the Lutheran students at Gallaudet College, joined Mr.



Mr. Archie Marshall arrives at Friendship Airport, Washington, D. C., to attend a meeting called by Vice-President H. H. Humphrey on April 28



Mr. Archie Marshall visits Dr. Boyce Williams, consultant on the deaf and the hard of hearing for the Vocational Rehabilitation Administration, and Dr. Williams' secretary, Miss Charlotte Coffield

Marshall at the meeting to serve as his interpreter.

Before the meeting began Vice-President Humphrey shook hands with Mr. Marshall and Pastor Hoemann. The Vice-President was pleased that Mr. Marshall was able to attend the meeting. Then the Vice-President invited the gathering to give immediate attention to life in today's world. He strongly emphasized that America needs every person's best abilities. This means every individual of every race and creed.

Vice-President Humphrey asked Mr. Marshall and the other participants to stand before the Negro youth of our nation as living examples of their success. Mr. Marshall and the other participants reached their goal in past years when it was more difficult than

today. The youth of today have a better chance to succeed. Our nation has a new civil rights law. Our government wants to give every young person in our country the same chance to get the same kind of job. But it is the responsibility of each young person to eagerly and carefully prepare himself for the important tasks that must be done for our country.

Mr. Marshall can well serve as a fine Christian example for young deaf. He serves the Lord in Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf, St. Louis, as an officer and choir director. He has used his artistic ability to assist the many tasks of his pastor, Rev. Floyd Possehl.

Mr. Marshall is married to the former Gloria Gibson of Chicago. The Marshalls have five children, four boys and one girl.

REV. H. W. HOEMANN

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

*Central Regional Conference
at Emmanuel Lutheran Chapel
for the Deaf
4328 W. North Ave.
Milwaukee, Wis.
Sept. 17—19, 1965*



Mr. Archie Marshall pauses at the statue of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet and Alice Cogswell on the campus of Gallaudet College during his recent trip to Washington, D. C.

The Peace of Christ

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you. John 14:27.

With these words Jesus offered His disciples a very precious gift, the gift of peace. But this is not any kind of peace that Jesus gives. This is not the kind of peace that would have a man sit down and do nothing. This is not the kind of peace that comes with inactivity. Jesus describes this peace in two special ways to show that this is a very special peace.

First, Jesus calls it His peace. "My peace I give you." This is not man's peace. This is not the kind of peace that men can arrange. The kind of peace that men can find with each other is one that comes from a process of subtraction. Take away war, take away fighting, take away quarreling, take away greed and jealousy, and what you have left, that is peace. First you subtract all the things that are not peaceful, and then you will have peace.

Jesus' peace also requires subtraction. He takes away sin and guilt. He takes away the causes of man's strife and lack of peace. But that is not the end of the story. That is just the beginning. His peace comes not only from subtraction but from addition. Take away sin and guilt and then add the love of God. Add God's holiness and righteousness, and His desire to make us righteous, too. Add a crown of thorns, a cross, and an empty tomb. Add the gift of eternal life and our hope of heaven. Add all of this, and then you have what Jesus wants to give — His peace.

Second, Jesus describes His peace in another special way. He says: "Not as the world giveth, give I unto you." The world gives as a reward for what we deserve. The world often expects a gift in return. The world gives and then accepts no more responsibility for the gift. Because of the ways in which the world gives, we learn that its gifts are not generally free. Either they must be earned or they must be returned. And if they are almost free, so cheap that their cost is of little concern, then their value is probably equally low. There are no guarantees. When it is lost or broken or used up, that is the end of it. The world's gifts are given "as is," and the world is quick to advise us, "Don't look a gift horse in the mouth." Looking at a horse's teeth was always a good way to tell his age, perhaps even something about his health, and therefore his value. If the horse is a gift, the world says, it isn't polite to be very concerned about its value.

But these worldly standards do not apply to the gift of Jesus. His gift is not a reward for what we deserve. We deserve none of His gifts. We could not possibly earn them. Nor can we give Him anything in return, for we have nothing that we did not first receive as a gift of God. And His gift of peace comes with His own true guarantee. He staked His life to it. He gave His life for it. And He offers His peace to us with every assurance that it will not be lost, it will not be broken, and it will never be used up. His peace will last for all eternity. It will endure forever.

The peace that Jesus offers is His own peace. And He gives it to us in a way that is completely different from the way in which the world gives gifts. His peace is peace with God. He offers it to every man. Pray that He will give it to you.

O God, from You proceed all holy desires, all good advice, and all righteous deeds. We pray, give to Your people that peace which the world cannot give. Then our hearts will eagerly obey Your commandments. And because You defend us from the fear of our enemies, we will live in rest and quietness. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior. He lives and reigns with You and the Holy Ghost, eternally one God. Amen.

REV. H. W. HOEMANN

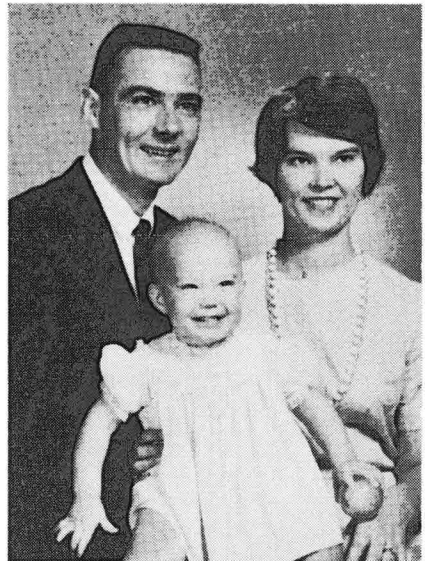
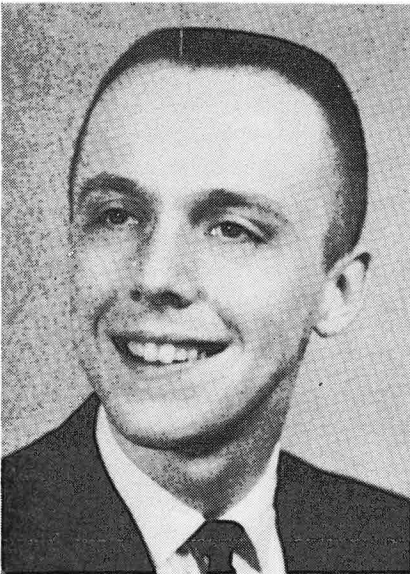
Welcome, Vicars and Candidates for Lutheran Deaf Missions

This year our Lord has blessed our Lutheran Missions to the Deaf with five candidates and three vicars. We praise the Lord that He has remembered His deaf people!

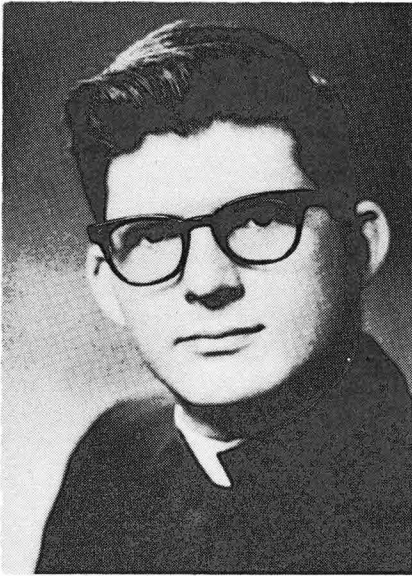
We introduced you to Vicar Myron Prok in the June issue of the DEAF LUTHERAN. Two more vicars were assigned in April for practical experience in our Lutheran Deaf Missions. Mr. Don Hodgson has been assigned to New York City. Mr. Charles (Chuck) Jones will go to Great Falls, Mont. We will have more information and pictures of these vicars in future issues of the DEAF LUTHERAN.

The five candidates called to the ministry of Lutheran Deaf Missions are pictured below. Look for more information about them and their families in future issues of the DEAF LUTHERAN.

Below, Candidate Donald E. Hasse. A graduate of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mr. Hasse has been called to the Northern Florida Field with headquarters at St. Augustine. His home is in Reedsburg, Wis. Mr. Hasse is married to the former Miss Peggy Jo Koch, and the couple have one child

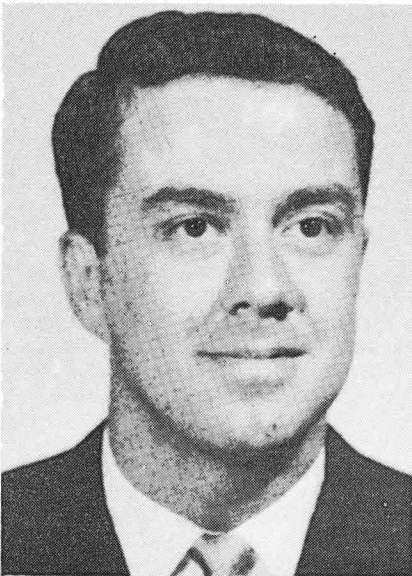


Above, Candidate Robert A. Bremer, his wife, Marilyn, and 2-year-old daughter, Kristine. Mr. Bremer served the deaf as vicar in the Newark, N. J., Field under the guidance of Rev. C. Roland Gerhold and has been called to the Northern Michigan field with headquarters at Flint, Mich. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis and his home is in Gaylord, Minn.



Left, Candidate James C. Bengelsdorf. Having served the Dallas, Tex., Field as vicar under the guidance of Rev. H. Rohe, Mr. Bengelsdorf has been called to the Iowa Field of Deaf Missions by Calvary Congregation of Des Moines and Faith Congregation of Fort Dodge. The Concordia Seminary, Springfield, Ill., graduate, whose home is in Monroe, Mich., was married to the former Miss Catherine L. Whitmarsh of Houston, Tex., on June 6

Right, Candidate William C. Aiello. A graduate of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mr. Aiello has been called to the Southern New Jersey Field with headquarters at Trenton, N. J. His home is in Paterson, N. J., and he is married to Carolyn nee Simpson of Ann Arbor, Mich.



Left, Candidate Roger J. Leonhardt. Having vicared under the direction of Rev. W. O. Ferber in the North Dakota-Manitoba, Can. Field, Candidate Leonhardt has a head start in knowing his new flock. He has been called to the North Dakota Field of Deaf Missions with headquarters at Fargo. Mr. Leonhardt is a graduate of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. His home is in Warwick, R. I., and he is married to Sonja nee Vorbeck of New York City. The couple have one child



FIELD

GLEANINGS

Sewing Project for Lutheran World Relief

Lincoln, Nebr. In their manner of serving their Lord Jesus the Mary-Martha Guild of the Lincoln deaf congregation undertook a sewing project for Lutheran World Relief.

Altogether the women completed 12 dresses for girls and 12 sets of shirts and trousers for boys, all for younger children. These sets of clothing have been selected especially for handicapped children in Lebanon. Those who receive these gifts will certainly appreciate the kindness of these deaf Christians.

Rev. Herman Graef and Rev. Ernest Mappes serve the churches and preaching stations in the Omaha field.

Pastor Hoemann Receives Degree

Washington, D. C. On June 14 Rev. Harry W. Hoemann, campus pastor for the Lutheran students at Gallaudet College, participated in the graduation exercises of the college. He received the degree of master of science in the education of the deaf, which was awarded him August 14, 1964.

An interesting fact not generally known, as was the custom of past Presidents of the United

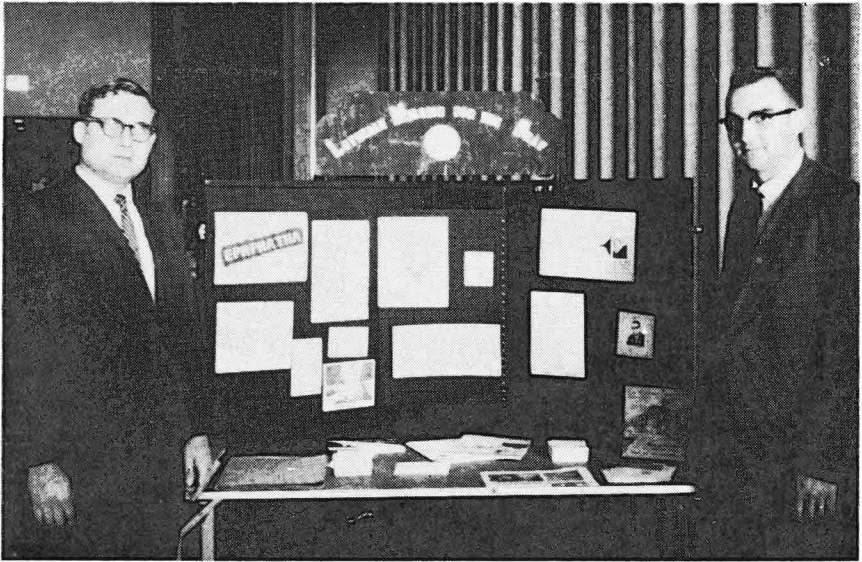
States, all Gallaudet diplomas were signed by President Lyndon B. Johnson, patron of the college.

Deaf Missions Display

Dallas, Tex. Rev. William Duey, pastor of the deaf in northern Texas and Oklahoma, recently built a display to publicize the work of our Lutheran Church among the deaf and deaf-blind.



Rev. Duey's display for Lutheran Deaf Missions draws the attention of Rev. F. Mennenga, pastor of Hope Lutheran Church (hearing) of Dallas, and two of his members, Mrs. W. Lyall and Mrs. J. Nierman. They examine a copy of the John of Beverley Workbook series which is published by Mill Neck Manor, Lutheran School for the Deaf, to teach religion to deaf children. Mrs. Nierman has deaf parents



Rev. Don Haug (left), pastor of the Houston, Tex., Field of Deaf Missions, and Rev. William Duey, pastor of the northern Texas-Oklahoma Field, present the display to the Texas District convention. The convention, gathering pastors and delegates from all of the Lutheran hearing congregations and deaf missions of Texas, was held in Galveston, April 20—22

Materials to make the project were purchased with funds donated by the Mesquite Zone of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League.

Publicity is important. The hearing members of our Lutheran Church ought to know what the church is doing for the deaf. A display is one way to tell others that Jesus loves the deaf, too.

Hearing and Deaf Join for Worship

Omaha, Nebr. On Good Friday, April 16, the Bethlehem Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Omaha, joined the hearing congregation of Bethany Lutheran Church for a choral vesper service.

The special feature of the worship service was the combined presentation of five hymns and anthems by the choirs of both churches. The beauty of musical harmony of the hearing choir was emphasized with the smoothness and flow of signs as the deaf choir "sang" with the hearing.

The deaf choir memorized the hymns and practiced them once or twice weekly for the six weeks before the Good Friday service. In spite of their skill and exactness they needed a hearing leader to keep them in time with the hearing choir.

Rev. Herman Graef prepared the deaf choir for the service. When the time came for the beautiful and meaningful service, how-

ever, Pastor Graef was ill at home with the mumps. Rev. Ernest Mappes interpreted the service, while Mrs. Graef and Vicar Myron Prok lead the choir.

The service was attended by more than 60 deaf and several hundred hearing.

Daughter Born to Pastor and Mrs. Hewitt

Cleveland, Ohio. Pastor and Mrs. Martin A. Hewitt are the parents of an infant daughter, Julie Marie, born on her mother's birthday, May 16. Julie weighed 7 lbs. 13 oz. at birth. Pastor and Mrs. Hewitt also have a son, Timothy, 18 months.

Son Born to Pastor and Mrs. Hoemann

Washington, D. C. Michael Zeller Hoemann was born on May 8 at the Washington Hospital Center, Washington, D. C. The son of Pastor and Mrs. Harry W. Hoemann, Michael has two sisters, Katherine, born Dec. 2, 1958, and Caroline, born June 15, 1960.

A Dedication in Edmonton

Edmonton, Alta., Can. A Communion railing and kneeling cushions were dedicated to the glory of God, April 4, for use in the Cross of Christ Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Edmonton.

The new furnishings for the chancel were the gifts of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Wishart. The Communion railing was given in memory of Mrs. Wishart's father, the late

Mr. C. W. Hagen, who served as a director in organizing the deaf on a national level. The kneeling cushions were donated to honor Mrs. Wishart's mother, Mrs. Hagen, who was present for the dedication service. Mrs. Hagen is known for her active interest in associating with and helping the deaf.

The Hagen family has a long history of serving as educators of the deaf in the United States and Canada. Mrs. Wishart presently teaches at the Alberta School for the Deaf, Edmonton.

Pilgrim Celebrates Fifth Anniversary

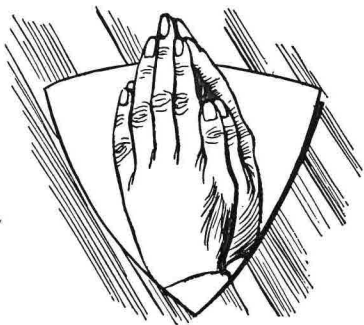
Los Angeles, Calif. On Sunday, May 23, in their morning worship service the congregation of Pilgrim Lutheran Church for the Deaf, Los Angeles, thanked and praised God for His rich blessings to the deaf. The occasion was the fifth anniversary of their new church facilities.

Especially the congregation thanked and praised God for (1) the beautiful church facilities with which to worship God, (2) the many happy hours of worship and fellowship, (3) the sweet comfort of God's Word preached and taught at Pilgrim, (4) the cheerful Christian friendships that developed among the congregation's members, and (5) the comfort of the glorious hope of eternal life.

Rev. A. T. Jonas serves the Pilgrim congregation as pastor.

Devotions

With this issue we begin to read the New Testament. The *Four Gospels* tell the story of the life of Jesus. *Matthew* writes to show that Jesus is the promised Messiah, the Savior God promised in the Old Testament. *Mark*, probably the first Gospel, writes to tell the story of Jesus' life. *Luke* wrote for the non-Jews, showing Jesus as Son of Man and Savior. *John* shows Jesus as Son of God.



LIGHT FOR YOUR WAY

Daily Bible Readings

for July

- July 1** — **John 1:1-18.** We have life through Jesus. He showed God to us and brought us to Him. Pray for Mrs. Doris Myhre, parish worker, Hialeah, Fla.
- July 2** — **Luke 1:57-80.** John the Baptizer was to give knowledge of salvation to God's people. Pray for all the pastors and missionaries working with the deaf. Ask God to give them a safe journey as they travel home from Ephphatha Conference, Detroit, Mich.
- July 3** — **Luke 2:1-21.** This is the beginning of God's great work for your salvation. Pray that the leaders of the world today may understand and follow God's rule of love.
- July 4** — **Matthew 2:1-23.** The world always thinks of itself first and fights against God's free gift of love. Pray for the deaf all over the world who do not know of Jesus' love.
- July 5** — **Luke 2:41-52.** Jesus knew His work meant deep study and discussion of God's Word. Ask the Holy Spirit to give courage to your pastor and your teachers.
- July 6** — **Luke 3:1-22.** We sin daily. *Repentance* means *daily* being sorry, seeking God's forgiveness, and wanting to stop doing that sin. Pray that God would teach your congregation to worship Him with respect, quietness and thanksgiving.
- July 7** — **Luke 4:1-15.** Following Jesus means saying *no* to sin. Be ready to do His will. Pray for Rev. N. E. Borhardt, Detroit, Mich.
- July 8** — **John 1:29-51.** The *most important* event to happen in anyone's life is to find the Savior Jesus. Pray for the Lutheran deaf of the Edmonton, Alta., Can., Field, that they always remain firm in their faith.

- July 9** — **John 2:1-12.** If you welcome Jesus into your everyday life, He will not fail to bless it. Pray for the children at the Home for Young Deaf, Ibadan, Nigeria, that they may grow with faith in Jesus.
- July 10** — **John 3:1-21.** What do your Baptism and your faith mean to you? Pray for Mrs. Bernice Bottlinger, pastor's wife, Vancouver, B. C., Can.
- July 11** — **John 4:1-42.** When you have Christ, nothing else is really necessary. Pray for Mrs. Joan Jasper, pastor's wife, New York, N. Y.
- July 12** — **Luke 4:16-30.** How well do your family and your close friends know your faith? Live so that others may see you are faithful to Jesus. Pray for Mrs. Betty Lou Oermann, pastor's wife, Birmingham, Ala.
- July 13** — **Matthew 4:12-25.** Jesus worked hard and long for men. Pray for Mrs. Cam Busby, pastor's wife, Rochester, N. Y.
- July 14** — **Mark 2:13-17.** Jesus came to seek the lost. Your church is not only for "people we accept," but also for "sinners." Invite them to find forgiveness in Jesus and pray for their souls.
- July 15** — **Luke 6:12-31.** Jesus chose His disciples with care and prayer. Jesus' work has success through prayer. Pray for the officers of your congregation.
- July 16** — **Matthew 6:1-23.** Give glory to God's name by your actions of faith. Pray for the deaf of the Seattle, Wash., Field.
- July 17** — **Matt. 6:24-34.** Do not worry. Your fear of future events shows your weak faith. Ask God to give a strong faith to those who are sick and to comfort those who are afraid.
- July 18** — **Matthew 7:15-29.** God always keeps His promise. You believe His promises; then depend on Him to keep them! Pray for the deaf in the Los Angeles Field.
- July 19** — **Matthew 10:1-23.** We must practice if we are to do God's important work. Grow in skill by doing what you can. Pray for the new vicars and candidates of our deaf missions staff, that they depend on God for His guidance.
- July 20** — **Matthew 8:1-27.** Jesus used His power for good, to help people in need. God gave you faith and strength to do the same. Pray God to give you the chance to help others.
- July 21** — **Luke 7:11-23.** Jesus let His work speak for Him, without publicity. Pray for a humble faith and trust.
- July 22** — **Matthew 13:1-23.** Jesus taught so that men would remember and think about His words. Pray that the social organizations in your church will do more to improve their members' knowledge of Jesus and God's will.
- July 23** — **Matthew 13:24-52.** God rules you in your world. Keep His commandments, because He told you to. Pray that Christians throughout the world work and speak for peace under God.

- July 24** — **Luke 5:17-26.** The telling of God's forgiveness is His greatest gift. Do you remember to thank Him for it? Pray for the Christians who are struggling for peace in South Viet Nam.
- July 25** — **Luke 8:40-56.** Trust Jesus! Although His answer may be postponed, He will always give in His wisdom. Ask God for patience, that the Holy Spirit may guide you to greater trust.
- July 26** — **Mark 6:30-44.** Jesus challenged His disciples to feed the 5,000. So He challenges you to work for Him today. Pray for the deaf of the Winnipeg, Man., Can., Field.
- July 27** — **Matthew 12:1-14.** Jesus knew that mercy was more important than being correct. Pray for the deaf in Japan, that they also may know the Good News of salvation.
- July 28** — **Matthew 1:1-28.** If you accept the Christ, you must accept Him completely, as He is. Let His Word guide your thoughts. Pray for Rev. William Duey and for Mrs. Mary Ann Duey, his wife, Dallas, Tex.
- July 29** — **John 6:41-71.** Jesus is ALL to us. It is He himself, not stories about Him, that is your salvation. Pray God that our pastors and missionaries all over the world be faithful to the truth of the Gospel.
- July 30** — **John 7:1-31.** He who hears Christ, must either accept Him or reject Him. If you accept Him, tell others. Pray for Mrs. Altha Corl, pastor's wife, Madison, Wis.
- July 31** — **John 7:32-52.** Jesus is the Fulfillment of man's deepest needs. Do not seek your own fulfillment, as the Pharisees did. Pray for Floyd Possehl, St. Louis, Mo.

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