



Rural Churches

St. Paul and Winchester
U. B. Circuit
Dale Osborne, pastor.

St. Paul:
Worship 9:15 a.m.
Sunday School 10:15 Arthur
Scheiderer, Supt.
Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30
p.m.

Winchester:
Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Fred
Zurher, Supt.
Class meeting 10:30 a.m. Mi-
randa Bollinger, leader.
Prayer meeting Thursday at par-
sonage.

Pleasant Mills Baptist Church
D. E. Gabren, Pastor
Lowell Noll, Supt.
9:30 — Bible School. Lesson:
Ephesus, A Center Of Christian
Influence.

10:30 — Worship Service, Ser-
mon: "Self-Examination".

The union revival meetings be-
gin this Sunday evening, March
5th. Let us make every effort to
attend all the services if at all
possible.

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by my name, shall humble
themselves, and pray, and seek
my face, and turn from their
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from heaven, and will forgive
their sin, and will heal their land."
(II Chron. 7:14)

Monroe Methodist
W. L. Hall, minister
9:30 Morning Worship
10:30 Sunday School
2:00 Cantata Rehearsal
4:15 MYF, under the new plan.

Diana Crist, leader.
7:30 We will be guests of the
Decatur Methodist Church.

Monday at 7:30 Dr. A. Wesley
Pugh will conduct the business
of the fourth Quarterly Confer-
ence.

Wednesday: Mid-week service at
7:30.

Choir practice at 8:15
Men's Chorus after Choir.

St. Luke Evan. & Reformed
Church, Honduras
H. H. Meckstroth, pastor
9:00 Worship service and special
congregational business meeting.
10:00 Sunday School
7:00 Youth Fellowship. Miss
Eliese Smith will use for her
theme, "Youth Reconstruction".

Riviere Circuit
U. B. Church
L. A. Middaugh, Pastor.
Mt. Zion

9:30 a.m. Sunday school.
10:30 a.m. Class meeting.

7:00 p.m. Attending Calvary Re-
vival.

Pleasant Grove
9:00 a.m. Sunday school.
10:00 a.m. Class meeting.
7:30 p.m. Attending Calvary Re-
vival.

Mt. Victory
9:00 a.m. Sunday school.
10:00 a.m. Class meeting.
7:00 p.m. Christian Endeavor.
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, prayer
meeting.

The Methodist Church
R. W. Parsley, minister
Salem

Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.

There will be no Worship Ser-
vice in the evening or Prayer ser-
vice in coming week as the con-
gregation voted to attend the Re-
vival at Pleasant Mills.

Pleasant Mills
Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.
Worship service at 10:30. This is
to be a very special day known
as ROLL CALL SUNDAY and we
earnestly desire to see all able
body members and friends at church
this Sunday March 5th which
is also the beginning of our Union
Revival at Pleasant Mills.

Suppose the church had not
thought our ancestors worth
converting? Suppose all the
colonizing movements of the
16th and following centuries
had been waves of sheer pa-
gan?

It is not these racial pride to say
that the sending of missionaries to
those savage peoples of northern
Europe was one of the most stra-
tegic moves ever made by the
Christian church.

And Today?
THE CHURCH has not always
been smart. Sometimes we
have missed the boat. There have
been strategic centers we might
have occupied—and did not.

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when Russia, that mighty nation,
was open to Christian teaching.
Many who knew that country were
saying about 1918 that it was pos-
sible to capture that land for
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whatever Christianity is there has
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Dr. Gerald Ensley
Is Guest PreacherSpeaks Sunday At
Methodist Church

Dr. F. Gerald Ensley will be the
special preacher at the service of
worship at 7:30 o'clock Sunday
evening at the First Methodist
church. Dr. Ensley is the second
in the current series of Lenten
guest preachers being presented by
the local church. The congrega-
tion of the Methodist church of
Monroe, with its pastor, the Rev.
W. L. Hall, will be the special
guests for this service. The men's
chorus of the Monroe Methodist
church will supply music during
the evening.

Dr. Ensley is a native of the
state of Ohio. He graduated from
Ohio Wesleyan University in 1927.
After a year of public school
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As your eye ranged over a map
of the Empire, you would have
lighted on Ephesus as the very
place. It was a true capital, not a
merely political one.

Strategy

IT was a master-stroke, selecting
Ephesus as a base of operations.
It made possible the rapid spread
of the Christian faith into the
province of Asia. The decision to plant
a church there had been matched
by other strategic decisions in
Christian history since then. One
of these was founding the church
in Rome. That was an even greater
city and capital than Ephesus, and
it has lasted much longer.

If the Christian church had
been content to be provincial,
all right for the smaller towns,
but afraid to tackle the big
ones, if the early church had
feared to seat itself in Rome,
the whole history of Europe
would have been different.

When the Roman Empire crum-
pled, as in time it did, the church
rose on its ruins and took its place
as the great civilization of Europe.
The strong forces that kept a con-
tinent from decay for nearly a
thousand years.

Our Ancestors

FROM THE DAYS of the early
Roman church there comes a
well-known story which may be
true. In the slave market at Rome
the Pope saw some handsome
small boys, whiter than the aver-
age Roman, for sale. Who are you?
they asked. Angels, they said. An-
gels from far-off marshes along
the North Sea. No, smiled the
Pope, who was a bit of a punster,
you are no good looking for that;
Non Angeli sed Angeli, not Angels
but Angels.

Any way, the church did send
some missionaries to far-away
Anglia and elsewhere in Northern
Europe. It turned out to be another
strategic base of operations. Eventu-
ally France and Germany and
England and the other countries in
that part of the world were con-
verted to Christianity. The time
came when those nations took the
lead in moving into the rest of
the world, into the western hemi-
sphere, "down under" to Australia,
even into Africa. Where they went, they carried their relig-
ion with them.

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Antioch
United Missionary Church
L. W. Null, pastor
Ollie Kreps, Supt.
Sunday School 9:30
Morning Worship 10:30
Evening Worship 7:00
Cottage Prayer Meeting Wednesday
day evening 7:00

We give you a hearty welcome to
any or all of these services.
We believe in the old-fashioned
salvation that saves from sin.
We are looking for you.

CHURCH NEWS

Decatur Missionary

The Crusader quarter, from the
West Berne Missionary church,
will present special music at the
special service at the Decatur
Missionary church at 7:30 o'clock
this evening. A Saturday night
service will also be held, the Rev.
H. J. Wely, pastor, announced.

CARL PUMPHREY

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The campaign for donations and
pledges to the building fund was
launched. Mr. Pumphrey was chosen
as general chairman. He directed
the local drive and can see victory
in the offing as the fund climbs
above \$141,000, or within less of
\$9,000 of the \$150,000 goal at which
figure it will receive a \$75,000
challenge gift from Central Soya
company.

Stage Show Follows

Following the distinguished cit-
erian, a stage show was given,
including acrobatic and magician
acts, music by Don Smith's orches-
tra, dancing by the Sparklettes and
novelty numbers.

The crowd roared in laughter as
several local men were called to
the stage to participate in the acts.
In one specialty number, W. Guy
Brown, high school principal, won
first prize.

Impersonator Was Here

A feature of the entertainment
was the impersonation of a Polish
Countess given by Martin Hughes
of Chicago. Posing as the guest of
Mr. and Mrs. Noah Steury, the
female impersonator highlighted the
program with his clever act and
dialogue.

Out Of Town Guests

A number of out-of-town guests
attended the banquet and program.
From the Central Soya company's
Fort Wayne office came Dale W.
McMillen, Sr., board chairman;

Since 1944 he has been the min-
ister of the North Broadway
Methodist Church in Columbus,
Ohio, a parish of more than 3,000
persons. He has written a number
of articles contributed to two
books, and has spoken widely,
especially to student audiences in
the middle west.

Representing the General Elec-
trical company from Fort Wayne
were John E. Estabrook, assistant
to the manager, and Lisle Hodell,
manager of manufacturing, tradi-
tional horsepower motor divisions.

The Erie railroad sent a delega-
tion including F. E. Mulligan, di-
vision superintendent; H. L. Johnson,
division freight agent; J. M.
Moosbrower, trainmaster, and Vincent
Abrams, traveling freight agent of
Huntington. They were guests of W. M. Bumgardner, local
Erie agent.

Methodist Circuit
Walter Johnson, pastor
Pleasant Valley

Worship service 9:30 a.m.
Sunday school 10:30 a.m.
Beulah Chapel

Sunday school 9:30 a.m.

Worship service 10:45 a.m.

Mt. Tabor

Worship service 9:30 a.m.

Sunday school 10:30 a.m.

Worship service 10:45 a.m.