

INVITATIONS EXTENDED FOR ANNUAL PASTORS' CONVENTION FEB. 3

500 Expected to Gather at First Baptist

Each Delegate to Be Given Commission During Convention.

Invitation to the Indiana State Pastors' Convention, to be held in the First Baptist Church, Feb. 3-5, have been extended to ministers of all Protestant denominations throughout the state.

Each delegate is to be assigned to one of eight commissions which will meet outside the general sessions to discuss current problems. Committees have been meeting for several weeks to prepare courses of study for these discussion groups, under the supervision of the Rev. O. H. Folger, pastor of the First Friends Church, Indianapolis, who is acting chairman and secretary-treasurer of the convention.

The topics for commission study and the chairmen are as follows: Rural Problems, E. C. Cameron, Butler University; City Problems, W. F. Rothenberger, Third Christian Church, Indianapolis; Sunday Problems, A. E. Cowley, First Baptist Church, Shelbyville; Social Service, C. H. Barnett, Central Christian Church, Lebanon; Race Problems, N. G. Talbot, Broad Ripple M. E. Church, Indianapolis; Industry, T. J. Simpson, Washington Street Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis; International, C. F. Koch, Lutheran Church, Richmond, and Comity, F. W. Backe, First Presbyterian Church, Gary.

Many Speakers to Come

Well-known speakers in the field of religion and education who are to address the convention are E. P. Bowen, secretary, Consumers' Cooperative, New York; Andrew W. Cordier, professor of history, Manchester College; A. W. Fortune, professor of Central Christian Church, Lexington, Ky.; Percy R. Hayward, National Council of Religious Education, Chicago; Edwin H. Hughes, bishop, Washington area, M. E. Church; Rufus M. Jones, professor of philosophy, Haverford College; William G. Mather, professor of sociology, Franklin College; G. Bromley Oxnam, president, De Pauw University; A. P. Stewart, choral director, Purdue University, and Ernest F. Tittle, pastor, First Methodist Church, Evansville, Ind.

Besides Mr. Folger, the executive committee consists of the Rev. A. E. Monger of Greencastle, chairman, and the following ministers: E. T. Albertson, E. N. Evans, H. H. Fout, J. M. Francis, W. C. Hartinger, J. L. Hoover, H. E. Hostetter, D. A. Kaley, T. J. Parsons, W. J. Sayers, W. H. L. Spratt, J. P. Q. Wallace, H. F. Weckmuller, and L. E. York, all of Indianapolis; S. A. Bennett, Muncie; O. H. Cox, Westfield; C. E. Dammond, Lafayette; M. Haines, Anderson, and R. E. Turner, Columbus. The convention, which is an annual affair, is expected to attract 500 delegates.

Declarations Finals

Set for Tomorrow

Finals in the Prince of Peace Declaration Contest, sponsored by the Indianapolis Church Federation, are to be held tomorrow night in Carrollton Avenue Reformed Church, it was announced today.

Participants are Rosemary Newman, Fifty-first Street M. E. Church; Harriet Gerds, Immanuel Reformed Church; Mary Agnes Dunwoody, Park Baptist Church; William Waters, Riverside Park Methodist Church; and Dorisann Johnson, First Baptist Church.

The judges are to be William H. Remy, former Marion County prosecutor; E. E. Stacey and Miss Virginia Cravens.

Finalists have been selected from 73 contestants, representing 23 organizations.

Tomorrow afternoon's Y. M. C. A. Big Meeting at Keith's is to have as speaker Alonzo E. Wilson of the American Business Men's Research Foundation, whose address is to be "The Serpent in Disguise."

The Indiana Central College orchestra is to present a half-hour concert.

Jameson to Preach

at Chapel Services

Adjt. Arthur A. Jameson, director of the Religious Department of the Volunteers of America, is to preach at the chapel, 320 N. Illinois-st., tomorrow night on "Never Say Die."

Following the sermon there is to be a 45-minute program of vocal and instrumental music and congregational singing, beginning at 7.

Scientists' Subject Given as 'Sacrament'

All Churches of Christ, Scientist, are to have the subject of "Sacrament" for their Lesson-Sermon tomorrow.

The Golden Text is: "In the world ye shall have tribulation; but he that overcometh the world, he shall overcome the world." (John xvi, 33.)

Officers of Class

to Assume Duties

New officers of C. F. B. Men's Bible Class of Memorial Christian Church are to be installed tomorrow.

The Rev. U. S. Johnson, class teacher, is to instruct officers in their new duties.

Pastor to Speak

The Rev. J. Luther Song, pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church, is to speak at Sunday's Tuesday night meeting.

BETHANY LUTHERAN TO LAY CHURCH CORNER STONE



Bethany Lutheran Church is to hold special ceremonies at the laying of the corner stone of its new edifice (above) at 3 tomorrow afternoon.

The Rev. H. E. Turney, S. T. M.,

president of the Indiana Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America, is to be principal speaker. Pastors and laymen from all other Lutheran churches in the Indianapolis area are to be present.

The new building, which is to be of fireproof construction, is to be veneered with split face Indiana limestone. When completed, it will represent an investment of more than \$30,000.

Order Reaches 50-Year Mark

Irvington Circle of King's Daughters is to observe the fiftieth anniversary of the order's founding with each member observing an hour of prayer in her home tomorrow morning. The other six Indianapolis circles are devoting their January meetings to a celebration of the occasion.

The International Order of King's Daughters was organized by Mrs. Margaret Bottomo and a group of 10 women in New York City Jan. 13, 1886, for the purpose of developing spiritual life and promoting Christian activity. From this modest beginning the society, which is interdenominational, has grown to a world-wide membership of 70,000.

The silver jubilee celebration of the circle of the Second Presbyterian Church took the form of a banquet, held this week with Miss Helen Walick as toastmistress.

History is Reviewed

A review of the history of the order was given by Miss Blanche Maine, former president. Mrs. Mary Outter discussed activities of the Second Presbyterian Circle, which include contributions to the support of Mayer Chapel, West and North-sts., King's Daughters' Hospital at Madison, Ind., and Pine Mountain School in Kentucky.

Mrs. Clarence Martindale, recently returned from a 15-year residence in Europe, told of the early work of the Second Presbyterian Circle, of which she is a charter member. Miss Flora Pray and Mrs. W. S. Clarke also spoke and Mrs. Lawrence Hayes led singing.

An international convention is to be held in Richmond, Va., in May the occasion for the national jubilee celebration.

Presbyterians Will Celebrate Founding

Celebration of 73 years of United Presbyterianism in Indianapolis is to be climaxed by a city-wide rally Feb. 2, sponsored by the Woodruff United Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. W. C. Ball is pastor.

United Presbyterianism had its birth in Indianapolis in 1853, the year of its foundation in North America. The denomination was formed in Pittsburgh by union of the Associate Reformed and Associate Presbyterian Churches. The present First United Presbyterian Church of Indianapolis was a member of the latter group at that time.

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Women's Circle to Meet at Luncheon

Circle Five of Central Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church will meet with Mrs. W. J. Marks, 3311 N. New Jersey-st., Tuesday, for a guest luncheon.

Assisting Mrs. Marks is to be Mrs. Charles Hanna, Mrs. Robert Smith and Mrs. Blanche Karst.

The program is to include readings by Mrs. A. R. Dewey.

Nazarene's Revival Extended One Week

By popular request, revival services at the First Church of the Nazarene, held the last two weeks, is to continue another week.

The Rev. Mason L. evangelist, is to preach at 7:30 each night, and also at the Sunday morning service. Topics for tomorrow are "The Common Salvation" and "The Sin Unto Death."

Benson to Preach

Dr. John G. Benson, Methodist Hospital superintendent, is to occupy the pulpit of the Second Presbyterian Church tomorrow. He is to speak at the morning worship hour and again at 4:30 vespers service.

Dr. Harper to Talk

Dr. Earl E. Harper, Evansville College president, is to address the dinner meeting of Brotherhood of the First Baptist Church Tuesday night.

Team to Take Part

Broad Ripple gospel team is to conduct services at the devotional hour in Roberts Park M. E. Church tomorrow night.

SOUTHPORT PASTOR SEEKS POST OF COUNTY SHERIFF

"No man is too good for any public office." This is the political credo of Luther E. Markin, pastor of Southport's Presbyterian Church, who has announced his candidacy for the office of sheriff of Marion County.

He believes that the sheriff's office offers the greatest opportunity to create publicity and public sentiment for the need of better government.

"In my own church I preach to my people and already have awakened them to that need," Mr. Markin says. "As sheriff, I could reach a great many more."

The minister-candidate is a native Hoosier and a graduate of De Pauw. He came to Southport three years ago from a pastorate in Mishawaka.

Asked if he had ever sought public office before, he replied: "No, I haven't an enemy in the world."

MR. MARKIN insists that he is seeking nomination purely as an individual, and promises that he won't even have "Onward Christian Soldiers" sung at his political rallies.

Regarding the church's place in world affairs, he says: "It is a church for the church, as it is a church for the world, to participate in any political or governmental controversy. But the people who are affiliated with the churches can and should do all they can to improve conditions."

As a churchman he feels that modern preaching is turning more and more to the two cardinal points in the theology of Jesus: The Love of God and the Golden Rule.

"We have stopped defending the Bible and arguing points of theology. Much theological underbrush has been cleared away until we can see that which is important."

WFBM Is to Carry

C. M. B. Broadcast

Broadcast of the regular Sunday morning service of the Christian Men Builders' Class of Third Christian Church is to be carried by WFBM at 9:30 tomorrow.

The program is to include a talk on "A Year for Action," by Merle Sider, teacher and leader, and a group of accordion solos by John Nelson. The 1935 class year book, edited by Robert Tate, is to be dedicated during the class session.

New officers of the class class club were installed at a banquet this week, at which plans were outlined for the year. The club's first engagement for 1936 is to be at the Y. M. C. A. Big Meeting at Keith's, Jan. 19.

Announces Series of Night Lectures

Ranendra Kumar Das, leader of the Self-Realization Fellowship Group, is conducting a seven-week series of lectures each Thursday and Friday night in the Pennsylvania Bldg., 38 1/2 N. Pennsylvania-st.

Subject of Thursday night lectures is "Evolution Philosophy," and the following night the subject is "The Seven Creative Principles of Life." All meetings begin at 8.

Wife of Pastor Is to Speak Thursday

Mrs. F. S. C. Wicks, wife of the pastor of All Souls Unitarian Church, is to give an illustrated talk on "Church Treasures of the Middle Ages" in the social room of the church on Thursday afternoon.

The following night at 8, Kathryn Turney Garten is to review "Romantic Rebels," by Frances Winwar, and "Facing Two Ways," by Baroness Ishomoto.

Health to Be Topic

Members of Morris Street M. E. Church are to hear a health talk by a representative of the Hinson Institute, Richmond, Ind., in the church recreation room Friday afternoon.

Start Loyalty Drive

A loyalty drive to extend for 16 Sundays is to be inaugurated at the morning service in Fountain Square Christian Church tomorrow, the Rev. E. L. Day, acting pastor, announced.

Faith Leads Believers in Right Living

Christianity Is More Than Practice of Virtue, Says Pastor.

BY THE REV. H. M. ZORN, Pastor, St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

What is it that actuates the Christian? We need to have the right conception of a Christian. It is a mistake to merely define a Christian as one who practices virtue.

A pagan who practices virtue in an outstanding measure often is called a Christian by people prominent in Christendom, although that pagan himself with better understanding, emphatically denies that he is a Christian.

A Christian is properly called a Christian because of his faith in Christ Jesus. By faith, the Christian gratefully and joyfully accepts the atonement which Jesus Christ, son of God and son of man, obtained for him when He fulfilled the law of God in man's stead and expiated all his guilt.

Mercy Brings Rejoicing

The Christian rejoices in this wonderful mercy of God which satisfies all the requirements of the law and of righteousness and assures man of the unfailing love of God. Mercy and truth have met in Christ Jesus, love and the inflexible demands of holiness have been reconciled.

This possession of faith motivates the Christian in his behavior. He now knows himself entirely to be free from the demands and the threats and the condemnation of the law. He is as free as a slave who has received his liberty. Without any reserve he is the beloved child of God, for Christ's sake, and is an heir of heaven, even now. This is to him a most wonderful story, ever new.

And this wonderful liberation and freedom prompts him to serve God unreservedly, from sheer love and gratitude. He flees everything that would bring him under the curse of the law again. He sees and appreciates that freedom and truth is only with Christ Jesus.

Dedicated to God

Knowing wherefrom he has been redeemed, and at what a price, he dedicates himself, all his life, his entire body, as a living sacrifice of thanks to God, unto willing, intelligent, loving service, without any presumption of merit, and without reserving to himself any indulgence in what pleases God.

This is to the Christian no mere philosophy of life. It is a motivating energy. What enables the Christian to such service is the fact that his faith in a gift of God, wrought in him by the same power that raised Christ from the dead. It constitutes a new birth.

It means that in his inmost being, in his heart and mind and will, he has been renewed and has been given a mind that befits a child of God.

He is no longer minded as this present world-age is minded. Its mind is essentially godless, materialistic, selfish, self-sufficient.

The Christian's mind is directed toward God, and from God's word he, with ever new and intelligent study and with ever renewed opposition to his own carnal impulses, grows in knowledge and discernment and directs his actions so that they may be well pleasing to God, wholly and unreservedly, in compliance with His good teaching, Roman xii, 1 and 2.

Ministers Join

Butler's Staff

Quarterly Meeting Called for Tuesday

Delegate Council of the Christian Church Union of Indianapolis is to hold its quarterly supper meeting at the Fountain Square Christian Church Tuesday night.

Principal speakers are to be the Rev. Garret Cook, pastor of Broad Ripple Christian Church, and Dr. Paul Preston of the pension fund of the Disciples of Christ. Annual reports are to be made by the Rev. E. L. Day, executive secretary of the council, and pastor of the Fountain Square church. Special music is to be in charge of Charles Daugherty, pastor of Broad Ripple Christian Church, is to preside.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

East Side—The Rev. Hugo McCord, pastor, Radio program, WIRE, 8:30-9; morning, 10:45; evening, 7:30; night, 10:45.

CHURCH OF GOD

South Side—The Rev. H. A. Spierdunk, pastor, morning, 10:45; evening, 7:30; night, 10:45.

CONGREGATIONAL

First—The Rev. Ellis W. Hay, pastor, morning, 10:45; evening, 7:30; night, 10:45.

EPIS. OPAL

St. George's—The Rev. Francis Tetu, pastor, morning, 10:45; evening, 7:30; night, 10:45.

CHRIST CHURCH

St. Paul's—The Rev. William Burrows, pastor, morning, 10:45; evening, 7:30; night, 10:45.

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TAKES LEAD IN CHURCH PLAY

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