

CHURCHES REPORT FINANCIAL CONDITIONS IMPROVED OVER YEAR AGO

Increase Noted in Contributions to Institutions

Leaders Agree That Trend of Money Problems Is Toward Normalcy.

Indianapolis churches are in a better financial condition than they were a year ago, a survey of some local churches has revealed.

Representatives of 11 denominations agreed that the trend in church finance is toward normalcy. Nine reported an improvement in actual income and two, Congregational and Friends, agreed that the future looks brighter, but that "it is too soon to say if the financial burden has been lightened."

Although churches experienced a depression parallel with business, its recovery has not kept pace, they all agreed, and the upward trend is gradual. Rabbi Morris M. Feuerlicht, Indianapolis Hebrew congregation, described it:

"When the depression was here, both the church and business suffered. With the upward trend in business, naturally there came a more optimistic feeling and a turn to the church. The invisible, the intangible always move more slowly than the material."

Conditions continue to improve in the Hebrew congregation, he said.

More Mission Gifts

The Rev. Clive McGuire, executive secretary of the Indianapolis Baptist Association, reports a distinct improvement, judged on the basis of mission giving. Twenty-four Baptist churches in Indianapolis raised more money for missions this year than last.

"This is not up to peak period, but this is the first year for a decided turn for the better," he said. "Starting in 1932, mission giving dropped, and continued until last year when a very slight improvement was noticed."

This trend upward was felt in the recent Northern Baptist convention in St. Louis, where \$121,000 more than last year was donated for mission work.

The local Episcopal churches are better supported than they were two years ago, according to Bishop Joseph M. Francis.

"With one exception the debts are being paid off promptly. The national fund for missions at the beginning of this year was about \$270,000 short. By announcing this deficit, the amount was oversubscribed," he said.

The Rev. D. A. Kaley, district superintendent of the Evangelical churches, reports the progress last year better than for the three preceding years and "is starting out better this year."

Methodist churches show a decided improvement in financial conditions over last year, said the Rev. W. C. Hartinger, Indianapolis district superintendent.

Increased Support

"It is noticed in payment of debts, benevolent giving and ministerial support. For a number of years many of the churches were not able to pay on the principal of the debts, but this last year small principal payments were resumed. The advancement is gradual."

Mission giving in the Pilgrim Holiness Church, according to the Rev. E. V. Halt, district treasurer, has increased about 20 per cent this year over last.

"In Indiana last year for the first time in years the receipts for all benevolent and causes started to move upward," said the Rev. H. B. Hostetter, executive secretary of the Presbyterian churches. "The increase was 3.7 over the preceding year."

"In most cases progress is being made on the payment of debts, but it will be a number of years before conditions are normal. Contributions for general work have increased, both locally and nationally."

The Rev. E. L. Day, executive secretary of the Indianapolis Christian Church Union, reported a gradual improvement in conditions. He said more church debts are being met this year than in previous years.

The Rev. F. B. Turner, pastor of the North Side Church of God, said the churches are meeting their indebtedness now and since last year there has been a general increase in donations.

Bishop to Preach in City Tomorrow

Bishop C. H. Phillips, former vice president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America and several times representative of Colored Methodism in Europe, is to preach three sermons in the city tomorrow.

Bishop Phillips is to speak in the morning and evening at the Greater Phillips Colored Methodist Episcopal Church at which the Rev. A. W. Womack is pastor.

He is to preach at Trinity C. M. E. Church at 3:30. He is to go from Indianapolis to Ripley, O., for the Cincinnati District Conference June 17 to 21.

Vacation Bible School to Open

A Vacation Bible School is to open Tuesday at the Garden City Christian Church, in charge of the Rev. Grover Lee Hardison, pastor. Classes are to be conducted from 1:30 to 4 daily except Saturday and Sunday.

Faculty members with Mr. Hardison include Mrs. Harry Bates, recreation and program; Mrs. Claude Pugh, junior department; Miss Verna Pickeral, primary department and Misses Merle Cassel and Mary Anne Ellis, primary department assistants.

Topic Is Announced

Adj. Arthur Jameson is to talk on "The Ministry of the Holy Spirit" at 7:45 tomorrow night at the Volunteers of America Chapel, 230 N. Illinois-st. Lieut. Warren Jacobson is to direct congregational singing.

GROUP CONFERS ON PREACHING MISSION PLANS



Executive committee members for the Preaching Mission to be conducted in Indiana Sept. 27 to 30 are shown as they conferred with Dr. Jesse M. Bader, New York secretary of the National Preaching Mission. The local project for preachers and laymen is sponsored by the Indianapolis Church Federation.

The group includes (seated, left to right) Dr. Bader, the Rev. R. H. Mueller, evangelistic committee chairman; (standing, left to right) the Rev. Ernest Evans, Church Federation executive secretary; the Rev. Clive McGuire, entertainment; Mrs. R. R. Mitchell, an honorary

chairman; the Rev. J. B. Ferguson, program, and the Rev. O. Herschell Folger, extension.

Committee chairmen not pictured include Eugene C. Foster, general chairman; Paul Buchanan, meeting places; Ralph Wright, music; Henry Davis, registration; Wallace O. Lee, publicity; J. W. Esterline, finance; Culver S. Miller, ushers; Frank C. Jordan, luncheon and dinner, and Harry W. White, spiritual resources and the following honorary chairmen: Dr. William L. Bryan, Bishop Edgar Blake, Bishop H. H. Fout and Bishop A. R. Clippinger.

Four Courses to Be Taught

Catholic Diocesan School to Open June 22.

Courses in religion, principles of teaching, philosophy of education and handwriting are to be offered in the Catholic Diocesan summer school to be conducted June 22 through July 28 at Cathedral High School.

The school is affiliated with St. Mary-of-the-Woods College. Sisters who attend are to receive credit for work. Although the school is being conducted primarily for religious and secular clergy, laymen may enroll.

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